



The new position monitors noisy neighbors.

## New position will help off-campus students resolve living problems

Search in progress for student neighborhood relations coordinator

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The three-fourths of ECU students who live off campus will soon have help from a new position in the Department of Student Life.

Mary Louise Antieau, director of the Office of Student Conflict Resolution, recently began accepting applications for the position of student-neighborhood relations coordinator. The position is not common to many colleges or universities, but is becoming more popular.

"There are five or six universities in the country that have this position," said Antieau.

"We're modeling it after a position at the State University of New York-Albany."

The SNRC will offer services and help to off-campus students by educating them on their responsibilities as citizens and preventing them from getting in trouble.

"I can think of lots of newly on their own college [students] living off campus that irritate their neighbors," said Gavin Vincent, senior sociology major.

The SNRC will try to resolve such situations.

"If you live next door to an exceptionally noisy neighbor, and you're trying to study ... and all they're doing is having parties every night ... the SNRC will do something like knock on your door and say 'hi, I'm the SNRC, and I hear you're having a party this weekend, how can I help and make sure that this is a good party so that you don't end up in jail and your neighbors aren't unhappy

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# Ticket One triumphs



Photos by Kyle Fisher

Shannon O'Donnell and Jackie Lambertsen from Ticket One celebrate a win by more than 400 votes against Ticket Two on Wednesday night.

## Large turnout despite decreased polling time

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After the announcement of Ticket One's victory in the 2004 SGA elections, treasurer-elect Brad Greaver just wanted sleep.

"I'm tired, man, totally shell-shocked from this whole experience," said Greaver.

As his fellow candidates hugged supporters and congratulated each other, Greaver stood with a satisfied smile on his face.

"We came together as a ticket two months ago and have really been moving since then. This was quite a turnout. We need to thank the entire student body for coming

out."

And come out, they did. Even with a computer glitch on OneStop resulting in the inadvertent deletion of more than 500 votes Tuesday and one day of voting instead of two, 2,029 ECU students – 10 percent of the student body – voted. This percentage is up several points from last year.

Along with Greaver, newly-elected SGA President Shannon O'Donnell, Vice President David Herndon and Secretary Jackie Lambertson round out the candidates on Ticket One.

Ticket One ran on a platform of improved student representation and accountability. They knew it would be difficult to beat Ticket Two, which included incumbent SGA President Ian Baer.

"I'm overwhelmed," said President-elect Shannon O'Donnell.

"It's been a lot of time and work

to get here. We're all very excited."

Pausing for a moment, O'Donnell included a word for her opponent.

"I would like to say, 'Thank you,' to Ian for his time as president. I know it's lots of work and lots of stress, and I just wanted to say thanks."

Working in conjunction with the faculty and other student organizations, O'Donnell has big plans for her administration.

"More than anything, we need more student representation," O'Donnell said.

"Every time a student committee meets from now on, there will be a member of this administration there. I am going to make sure that the students have a consistent voice."

The winning ticket will be sworn in at the yearly SGA banquet on April 21. The banquet will be an opportunity for incom-

ing SGA officials to extend their appreciation for the contributions made to their campaign by family, friends and SGA Senators.

O'Donnell had nothing but praise for her fellow officers.

"This summer I saw a true leader emerge in David. Things really came together. Having him on this team is an honor. He's a wonderful person," O'Donnell said.

"Brad is a 'by the book' guy. He's not afraid to stand up for the rules, no exceptions. And Jackie is Panhellenic president. She's organized, on top of things and has time management skills I long for – so enthusiastic."

Between now and April 21, members of the new administration will rest up for the challenges ahead.

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## April's objective to increase awareness of sexual assaults

Local organizations plan events to inform public during national month

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Too often, awareness of sexual assault is heightened after an incident has occurred, like the early semester rapes in Belk and White Residence Halls. During April, the nation and ECU look to educate and prevent further violence through National Sexual Assault Awareness Month.

Display cases offering brochures and T-shirts condemning violence against women are displayed around campus at Mendenhall, the Student Recreation Center, Dowdy Student Stores and Student Health Service.

Valarie Kiser-van Reede, licensed psychologist at the Center for Counseling and Student Development said the T-shirts will have a large impact on students and faculty.

"Some of the shirts are very powerful because they are made by victims or friends of victims," Kiser-van Reede said.

The Healthy Lifestyles team is conducting a "clothesline project" booth during Barefoot on the Mall.

The project will allow people make T-shirts promoting sexual assault awareness, Kiser-van Reede said. The complimentary service is open to all students.

The Center for Counseling and Student Development conducts programs year-long to raise sexual assault awareness, which are more frequent early in the school year to educate new students.

The center also provides counseling for students who are victims of sexual assault. Kiser-van Reede said there are many student victims of

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## Greenville Carmike to receive Fandango

New options make catching a movie easier than ever

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With movie attendance rising and box office records falling by the wayside, the last few years have witnessed an explosion of options for the movie-going public, including online ticket sales.

Fandango.com is one of the most well-known online ticket sellers. In addition to providing online purchasing capabilities to some of the nation's

leading movie houses, Fandango offers movie reviews, industry news and gift certificates, called Fandango bucks.

Tickets to Carmike Theatres in Raleigh and Charlotte can be purchased on Fandango's site. Carmike 12, the only movie theatre in the Greenville area, has yet to follow the larger cities' examples.

"Carmike is currently in the process of introducing online ticket sales here in Greenville," said Leeann Bacon, manager of the Greenville Carmike 12.

"It just hasn't happened yet. Apparently, this theater doesn't have machinery for online sales."

Bacon could not give an exact date when customers can expect online ticket buying opportunities to arrive in the area.

"When 'The Passion' came out, we received lots of questions about buying online, but before that, almost no one asked," Bacon said.

"We're not as big a theater as Raleigh [where the service is available], and our market is much smaller. Movies really don't sell out that often here."

Carmike Headquarters in Virginia had no comment.

Sean Dunnigan is a junior hospitality management major and avid moviegoer.

"I definitely would buy tickets

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Photo by Jessica Martin

Carmike will soon be free of long lines.

## Student reports burglary in Ringgold Towers

Male victim unharmed in \$25 dollar theft

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An ECU student residing at Ringgold Towers reported Tuesday night that a man knocked on his door, came inside, and left after shuffling through some drawers and taking \$25 from the victim's wallet.

Gavin Gollehon, 20, told the Greenville Police Department he heard a knock on his third floor door around 11 p.m.

Thinking it was someone he knew, Gollehon opened the door, and the suspect forced his way inside the apartment.

According to police records, Gollehon described the suspect as a black male, about five feet seven inches tall wearing a black shirt and bandana. Gollehon could not determine the suspect's age.

The police report specified that after entering the apartment, the suspect "looked around, grabbed a wallet on a computer desk and looked through a couple of drawers and then left."

The Greenville Police Department took the report, however ECU Police Maj. Frank Knight said they heard the call come over their scanner, but did not become directly involved with the investigation because it occurred off campus.

"We did talk to the Greenville officers who did respond," said Knight.

He also said that ECU police officers checked all the residence halls on the west end of campus to see if the suspect was near.

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Though Gavin Gollehon's wallet contained a credit and debit card, the thief took only \$25.

### Sexual Assault Awareness throughout April

In 1994, 316,000 estimated rapes and attempted rapes were committed. This means 868 each day, or 36 per hour, or one every 1.6 minutes.

The number of estimated rapes increased by 5 percent from 1993 to 1994.

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ECU's baseball game was rained out last night. The Pirates head to Charlotte this weekend for a three-game series.

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## Announcements

### Summer and Fall Registration

Registration for summer sessions and fall 2004 semester is currently open.

### Sophomore Survey

Students who have completed 45-60 credit hours, 30 from ECU, must take the Sophomore Survey before pre-registering for summer or fall 2004 semesters. The survey is available online at OneStop.

### Pediatric Sleep Screening

Dr. Daniel Lee and Dr. Susan Boutillier of East Carolina Neurology will screen children for sleep-related disorders and provide tips on how to help them get a good night's rest. No appointment is necessary. The screening is Saturday, April 3, from 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. in The Sleep Center, 4 Doctors Park, Medical Drive.

### Deadline

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### Co-ops and Internships Workshop

The Office of Student Professional Development offers a workshop Monday, April 5 from 2 p.m. - 3 p.m. in 1012 Bate to assist students looking for co-op and internship opportunities.

### State Holiday

Classes will not be held Friday and Saturday, April 9 - 10.

### Mac Users Group

The Mac Users Group will meet Tuesday, April 13 at 7 p.m. in Harvey Hall, Murphy Center to discuss iMovie 4, iDVD4 and iPhoto 4 software.

### Resumes Workshop

The Office of Student Professional Development offers a workshop on resume writing Monday, April 12 from 5 p.m. - 6 p.m. in 1014 Bate.

### Correspondence Workshop

The Office of Student Professional Development offers a workshop on professional correspondence Tuesday, April 13 from 5 p.m. - 6 p.m. in 1014 Bate.

### Interviewing Workshop

The Office of Student Professional Development offers a workshop Wednesday, April 14 from 5 p.m. - 6 p.m. in 1014 Bate on interviewing.

### Technology and Teaching Conference

The College of Education will co-sponsor the Southeastern Regional Technology and Teaching Conference at the Greenville Hilton Wednesday - Friday, April 14 - 16. Contact Diane D. Kester at 328-6621 for more information.

### Job Searching Workshop

The Office of Student Professional Development offers a workshop on tools students can use in their job searches. The workshop will be Thursday, April 15 from 5 p.m. - 6 p.m. in 1014 Bate.

### Co-ops and Internships Workshop

The Office of Student Professional Development offers a workshop Thursday, April 22 from 2 p.m. - 3 p.m. in 1012 Bate to assist students looking for co-op and internship opportunities.

### Commencement Registration

Degree candidates who wish to participate in the May 8 ceremony must make a reservation through Onestop.

### Parents Council Nominations

The Office of Advancement for Student Life and the Parents Council Nominations Committee is seeking nominations of parents for the 2004-05 Parents Council. Call Cheryl Kite at 328-9585 for more information.

### Stroke Clinic

Volunteers are needed to perform various tasks including registration, health assessment, cholesterol and glucose labs, blood pressure and counseling at five community stroke clinics. Contact Terry Congleton at 847-0162 for more information.

### Community Service Scholarship

The Kiwanis Club of Greater Greenville is accepting applications for a \$500 community service scholarship. Applicants should be Pitt County residents, female, have a minimum GPA of 2.5 and are currently or planning to attend Pitt County Community College or ECU. The application deadline is April 16. Contact Shelly Townsend at 341-0363 for more information.

### Paper Person

The student featured at the top of today's is paper Gavin Woodruff, sophomore industrial technology major.

## News Briefs

### Local

#### Lawyers say Navy needs more information on landing field

RALEIGH (AP) - The Navy doesn't know enough about how a proposed landing strip could damage the habitat of thousands of migratory birds in Eastern North Carolina and work on the project should stop, lawyers argued Tuesday in federal court.

U.S. District Court Judge Terrence Boyle indicated he could take several days to decide the matter. The plaintiffs' lawyers said they would decide Wednesday whether to seek a temporary restraining order pending his ruling.

Allowing the Navy to continue negotiating with landowners—a number of whom don't want to sell—to buy the 30,000 acres needed for the project and to continue with other work related to the outlying landing field, or OLF, could cause irreparable harm, lawyer Kiran Mehta argued.

Stephen Bartell, a lawyer representing the Navy, argued that a delay ultimately hurts the military's ability to train needed pilots.

#### Wilkes County children urge ban on exotic pets

WILKESBORO (AP) - Classmates of a boy killed by a tiger in December have asked Wilkes County officials to ban dangerous exotic animals.

The county is considering the ban after C.J. Eller, a fourth-grader at Moravian Falls Elementary School,

was killed Dec. 16 by a 400-pound Bengal tiger that his aunt owned.

"C.J. was not only a classmate of mine but a friend as well," said Zana Ferguson. "Because we are children, a lot of people do not think we have important things to say, but many times it is the children who suffer the most pain. One way that we believe children can be protected is by passing a law to ban dangerous exotic animals."

The county is considering a ban that would include a broad range of animals, including lions, tigers, bears, kangaroos, anteaters, prairie dogs, monkeys, cobras, crocodiles and many other species.

### National

#### Rice may testify publicly next week

WASHINGTON (AP) - When she testifies publicly before the Sept. 11 commission, Condoleezza Rice will be making an election-year defense of the Bush administration's anti-terrorism policy prior to the 2001 attacks.

"We want to understand the nature of the decision-making in the highest levels of government," commission chairman Thomas Kean said after the White House reversed course Tuesday and agreed to let Rice, who is Bush's national security adviser, testify publicly.

#### Broadcasters holding closed-

#### door summit on indecency

WASHINGTON (AP) - The broadcast industry is meeting with regulators and critics behind closed doors to discuss ways of responding to growing complaints about indecent programming.

The daylong summit comes as the Federal Communications Commission promises a crackdown and lawmakers prepare to raise the fines for indecency on over-the-air television and radio.

"I have never seen such broad consensus on an issue," said L. Brent Bozell III, president of the Parents Television Council, a conservative advocacy group.

"People have just said, 'Enough is enough. These are our airwaves. You are violating a trust and we have the right to knock you off for doing this.'"

### World

#### World court says United States violated rights of 51 Mexicans on death row

THE HAGUE, Netherlands (AP) - The International Court of Justice on Wednesday ruled that the United States violated the rights of 51 Mexicans on death row and ordered their cases be reviewed.

The United Nations' highest judiciary, also known as the world court, was considering a suit filed by Mexico claiming 52 convicted murderers weren't given their right to assistance from their

government.

"The U.S. should provide by means of its own choosing meaningful review of the conviction and sentence" of the Mexicans, presiding judge Shi Jiuyong said.

Shi said the review, in all but three cases, could be carried out under the normal appeals process in the United States.

But for three men whose have already exhausted all other appeals, the court said the United States should make an exception and review their cases one last time.

The court found that in the remaining case, the convict had received his rights and his case didn't need to be reviewed.

#### Report: 30 detained after Uzbek terror attacks that killed 42; search for suspects continues

TASHKENT, Uzbekistan (AP) - Thirty people have been detained on terrorism charges in the wake of three days of attacks that killed 42 people in this former Soviet republic, a news agency reported, citing prosecutors.

Police declined to confirm the number of people detained but said they were still combing the Uzbek capital for more suspects.

The violence, including the country's first suicide bombings, has been Uzbekistan's most serious unrest since it let hundreds of U.S. troops use a base near the Afghan border after the Sept. 11, 2001, attacks on the United States.

## Cadets awarded for progress



At Wednesday's Milestone Incentive Awards Ceremony, ROTC cadets transitioning from one academic year to the next received gifts like Iron Man watches, bookbags and books to signify their progress. Cadets will travel to Fort Bragg and face four other universities in a field training competition.

## Slaying of five U.S. soldiers makes March deadliest month in Iraq since November

WASHINGTON (AP) - The burst of violence in Iraq on Wednesday assured that March will be the second-deadliest month for U.S. troops since President Bush declared an end to major combat on May 1.

Five soldiers of the 1st Infantry Division were killed in a roadside bombing west of Baghdad, raising the month's death toll to at least 48. The only month with more deaths was November, with 82.

The White House blamed terrorists and remnants of Saddam Hussein's former regime for "horrific attacks" in the city of Fallujah on four U.S. contractors, at least one American, jubilant Iraqi residents dragged charred corpses through the streets and hanged them from a bridge.

"There are some that are doing everything they can to try to prevent" a June 30 transfer of sovereignty to an Iraqi government," White House spokesman Scott McClellan told reporters.

"There are terrorists, there are some remnants of the former regime that are enemies of freedom and enemies of democracy, but democracy is taking root and we are making important progress," said McClellan.

"We will not turn back from that effort."

In Berlin, helping to raise assistance for rehabilitating Afghanistan, Secretary of State Colin Powell said the culprits "will be dealt with and they will be defeated."

"The Iraqi people will be free. It will happen," Powell said.

"They will have a democracy,

and the international community will make that come about."

There had been high hopes that the capture of Saddam on Dec. 13 would steal momentum from the anti-occupation insurgency and improve security for Iraqis as well as American troops.

Instead the killing has continued at roughly a constant pace, and attacks against Iraqi civilians have increased.

The death toll for American troops fell in February to 21, but it was one of the deadliest months for Iraqi civilians. In January 46 U.S. troops died and the toll in December was 40.

In all, at least 597 U.S. troops have died in Iraq since the war began March 20, 2003. Of the total, 459 have died since May 1 when Bush flew onto an air-

craft carrier off the California coast to declare the end of major combat.

Those totals do not include two American civilian employees of the Defense of the Army who were killed March 9.

The four civilian contract workers who were killed Wednesday were ambushed in their SUVs in Fallujah, a Sunni Triangle city about 35 miles west of Baghdad and scene of some of the worst violence on both sides of the conflict.

The abuse of their corpses after the killing was reminiscent of the 1993 scene in Somalia when a mob dragged the corpse of a U.S. soldier through the streets of Mogadishu, triggering U.S. public outrage that led eventually to an American withdrawal from the African nation.

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with you?" Antieau said.

The SNRC will partner with local neighborhood associations, such as the Tar River University Neighborhood Association. This will create a previously non-existent formal connection with these neighborhood associations.

There will also be a Web site and hotline so anyone can report "good news or bad news about things that are going on in the neighborhood," Antieau said.

The SNRC will work in conjunction with Carl Reese, neighborhood service coordinator for the city of Greenville. Reese has been involved with off-campus students before, but had no affiliation with the ECU.

Antieau said the SNRC will inform, and Reese will act.

For example, Antieau said, a common complaint from off-campus students is students parking in their front lawn, which is an ordinance violation. The SNRC would go to the offenders, explain the violation and propose resolutions.

If the student doesn't comply, the facilitator will call Reese and let him know.

"The SNRC's will to prevent students from getting in trouble first, and will use the judicial force if necessary, secondly."

Additionally, Antieau said many students have problems with their landlords.

"We get regular complaints from students about landlords who have unfair leases or are not fixing the place up and threatening to throw them out or raise the rent," Antieau said.

To help students deal with these and other residential issues, the SNRC will use the Mediation Center to resolve disputes.

More than 100 applications were received. A screening committee - comprised of two students, a faculty member, a member of the City Council, a member of TRUNA, a representative from ECU's Counseling Center, Reese and Antieau - narrowed the applicants to 16, then four.

"We had a wonderful pool of candidates," Antieau said.

The committee meets Friday to discuss remaining candidates. If they can't agree on an individual, they will reopen the screening process.

The committee hopes to have a candidate in office by May.

"We're very excited about having this position, working with the city and improving things for our students who live off campus ... it's a great opportunity," Antieau said.

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# OPINION

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## Our View

At about 9:00 p.m. last Monday night, 17-year-old Candace Parker strolled across the hardwood of a gymnasium floor with a basketball fully palmed in her hand.

The 6-foot 4-inch prep basketball player then strutted to the left side of the hoop and set her sights on the rim. She must have known something all of us didn't, because what ensued seconds after that may put a spark in women's basketball the world has yet to see.

Parker, a Tennessee recruit, took that ball and rocked the rim in the McDonald's All American dunking contest. As if that isn't impressive enough, she went on to win the contest, a feat also accomplished by players like Vince Carter, Jerry Stackhouse, Carmelo Anthony and LeBron James. And she did it with a left knee that is still recovering from an ACL tear last July.

They say this kid can play any position on the floor, even at her size. They say she was already proclaimed the best high school women's athlete ever, even before she threw down with the men. Seeing as she's the first ever two-time winner of the Naismith National Player of the Year award, we tend to believe the hype.

This girl could bring excitement into a sport that is already growing in popularity on at least the collegiate level.

Considering she'll be playing on one of the best programs year in and year out, this future Volunteer will get plenty of air time on ESPN and the like.

Parker could very well turn out to be the female version of LeBron James, and anyone who doubts her ability to do just that should take a look at this stat line.

In high school, Parker helped lead Naperville Central High School to two straight Illinois Class AA State Championships, averaged 24.3 points, 3.3 steals, 3.5 blocks, and 11.5 rebounds per game her senior year finished her career with 2,758 points. Her team was also 95-4 in the final 99 games in which she played.

The dunks are not what are special about this young lady – just a taste of what she could bring to women's basketball. She's mature, charismatic, confident, cool, collected and very intelligent (finished with 3.59 GPA).

When the women's season starts again next year, watch for Parker to light up the national headlines.

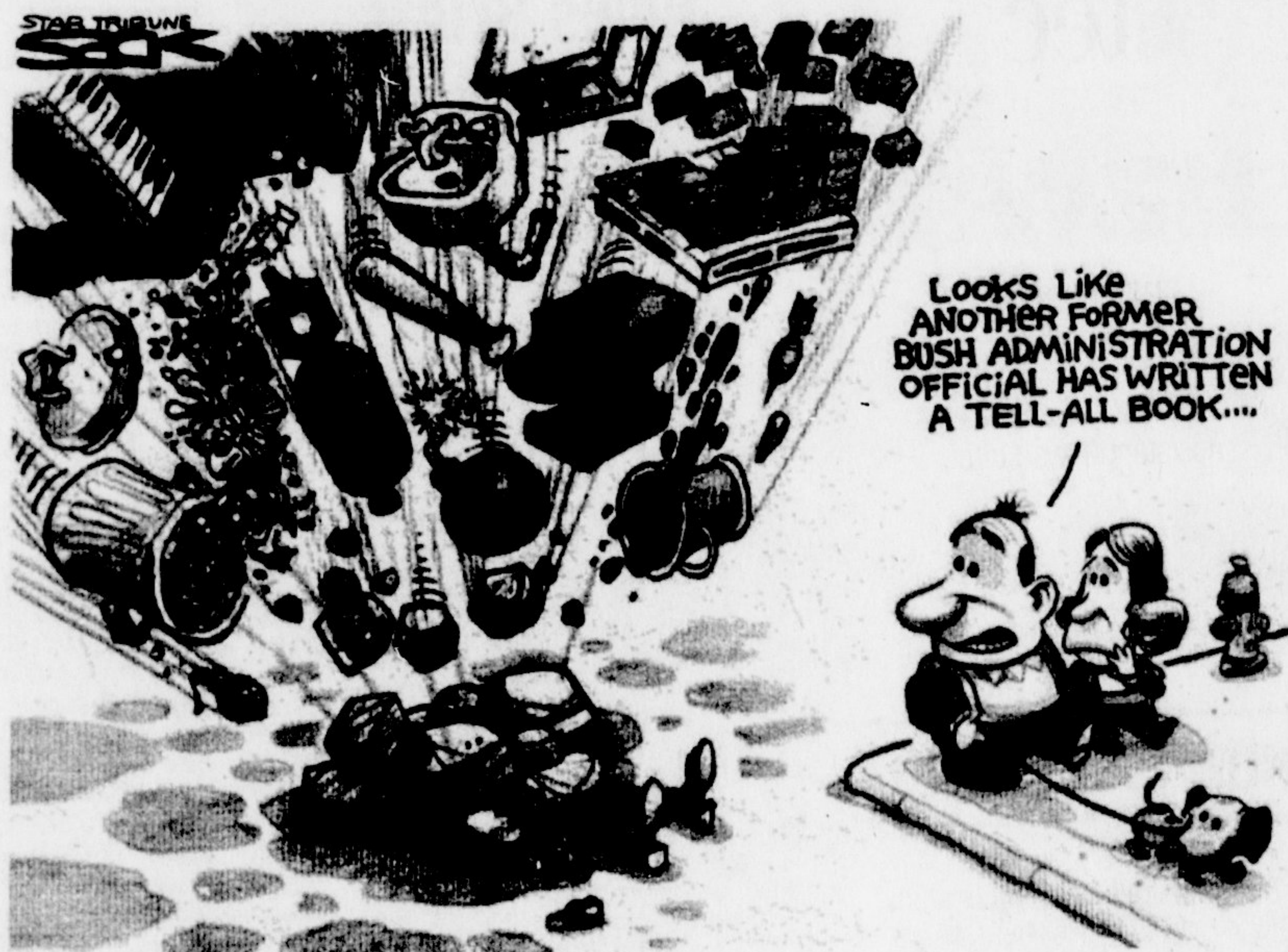
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The 20,000 ECU students read our paper on a regular basis. There's no better way to express your opinion than to take the time to sit and react to a situation affecting the students of this university through our Opinion page.

To be printed, the letter must be signed and contain a phone number for verification.

Letters will appear as space permits. The editor reserves the right to edit letters for clarity and length.



## Opinion Columnist

This is education?

**ANTHONY MCKEE**  
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### From global cooling to global warming

In 1975, certain members of the scientific, environmental, and political communities were prophesying doom and gloom on a global scale.

Global cooling was coming. Drastic measures, including melting the polar ice caps, were proposed and considered. Mankind was going to perish. We had to act now.

These comments are paraphrased from a 1975 *Newsweek* magazine article on the imminent threat to the world's food supply caused by the onset of global cooling.

This was not an isolated article. There were numerous news stories and scientific articles about this very subject from the early '70s on. People were seriously concerned.

Know what? It appears that they may have been just a little bit mistaken.

And since some people aren't happy unless they have something to complain about, or they just want to make themselves appear more "concerned" than the average Joe on the street, once global cooling fizzled on them something had to take its place. And so along came global warming.

Okay, that's not totally fair. The concepts of global warming and global cooling have both been tossed around since the 1970s.

In fact, when global cooling was the "cause celebre", there were other groups of equally "respected" and "concerned" scientists, environmentalists and vote seeking politicians saying that global warming was the most serious concern facing mankind.

Global warming came out the victor then, but global cooling proponents weren't about to give up without a fight.

Some of the same people who



were/are shouting warnings about global warming, when faced with data that does not support their beliefs, are now beginning to claim that global cooling and global warming are related.

Where the temperature is going up: global warming. Where the temperature is going down: global cooling.

At the same time, on the same planet. Oh yeah, the same ultimate cause also: us.

That has been the underlying assertion for both arguments the whole time. Evil man with his wicked machines is destroying everything he touches. What a joke!

And a one-sided partisan joke at that. The scientists, politicians and environmentalists who want to use this issue to their own benefit are deliberately not providing all the facts.

When was the last time you heard any of the following reported or taught?

(1) Volcanic eruptions emit both "greenhouse" and other gases and that one average eruption emits more gases than man has.

(2) There were over 40 eruptions/active volcanoes in 2003 and over 110 eruptions/active volcanoes since January 1995.

(3) The effect of volcanic eruptions (generally) is a cooling trend.

(4) The Kyoto Protocols to reduce greenhouse emissions do not restrict the emission amounts

of the world's largest polluters such as China and "developing" Third World nations.

(5) President Clinton refused to sign the Kyoto Protocols long before President Bush took office.

(6) There are scientists of equal or greater credentials saying that global warming/cooling is based on "junk science".

(7) There is irrefutable evidence that the Earth goes through natural, periodic temperature change cycles and very strong evidence that we are in one at this moment.

(8) The burps and flatulence of cows increases the amount of greenhouse gases in the atmosphere.

Hey, don't blame me for Number 8. That was a multi-year taxpayer funded study. The results were published and reported around the world. Besides, as imaginative as I am, I would never have been able to dream up such a unique way of sucking up taxpayer money.

So, why have we not seen these and the myriad other cases against the global warming/cooling craze? That's easy.

The media, some politicians and much of academia, are willing accomplices in suppressing these, or any, facts that do not fit into their current popular beliefs.

More so now than 30 years ago, there are all sorts of news sources touting the gloomy future we face because of global climate change. Newspaper and magazine articles, scientific journals, Al Gore and other politicians, you name it, are raising a hue and cry.

Numerous text books, from kindergarten on up to some of our own college texts, covering subjects from math to political science and beyond, carry Chicken Little warnings, exercises and chapter highlights on

the subject.

And all warn of the dire "consequences" we face from global warming (global cooling hasn't become popular enough to make it into print yet).

It is being forced down our throats from kindergarten on, along with other "politically correct" subjects. We are being brainwashed.

We attend an institution of higher learning where critical thinking is supposedly encouraged and practiced.

Yet, we are receiving an overload of information from only one side of this and many other subjects. Why?

Why is valid, conflicting, scientific information being ignored?

Are the powers that be in academia, politics and the media afraid that if they give us both sides of this and other arguments, such as "gun control", to openly study we might disagree with their cherished beliefs?

Would access to conflicting information empower the "little man" (us) and somehow threaten their perceived social and intellectual superiority? Would that be such a bad thing?

These are questions that need to be asked and, more importantly, answered. I chose to discuss climate change because of the obvious way that only one side is being discussed.

That this is by no means the only subject this happens in is patently obvious.

We deserve and should demand the right to fully examine both sides of an issue and not just what some politician, reporter, teacher or textbook committee decides to spoon feed us.

If we do not, then we are not paying for an education, we are paying for indoctrination.

In the March 25 article, titled "Just when you thought it couldn't get any worse," the name of California state senator Vasconcellos was misspelled. This is the correct spelling. TEC regrets the error.

## Opinions in Brief

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#### Bush's idea for all-access Internet will cost us

On Friday, President Bush announced he wants high-speed Internet access available to all Americans by 2007. In true Bush fashion, however, he offered no details on how this might be accomplished.

In case you didn't notice, this is another ploy to distract voters from more practical economic problems – just another feel-good agenda item to appeal to the public's fantasy.

Before such a massive project begins, there will be debates, regulations, funding disputes, comprises, etc., and all this energy would be reduced to what little is focused on attacking more critical needs.

The Internet is definitely revolutionary, but not more so than a house, a good income and an affordable, higher education.

Even if the government decides to take such a proactive role in media creation, the question also arises whether censorship of its offspring would follow.

Like the mission to Mars, Bush's sci-fi longings overlook the reality of American life. Unless the public wises up to – and speaks out against – his empty promises, the political power of big media corporations

who stand to profit most from such a venture and their unquestioning followers will re-elect the out-of-touch Texan.

#### Bishop kills pedestrian

After reading an Associated Press article, which described a Roman Catholic bishop as one of the first to be convicted of a felony, I was shocked.

Bishop Thomas O'Brien of Phoenix, Ariz. was sentenced to four years probation, and his driver's license was suspended for five years after killing a pedestrian by hit and run.

O'Brien argued that the damage to his vehicle was caused by a stone or bird.

I always thought clergymen were supposed to be some of the most honest and pure people on earth. What is the world coming to when God's messengers are committing sins like murder and abuse?

#### War is no joke

At the annual dinner of the Radio and Television News Correspondents held Wednesday, President Bush cracked jokes about not finding weapons of mass destruction in Iraq.

The dinner features political humor each year, but I don't think that the war or not finding weapons of mass destruction is a laughing matter. Bush provided "amusing descriptions of

photographs" that were shown at the dinner. While showing a photograph of Bush looking under furniture in the White House, he said, "Those weapons of mass destruction have got to be somewhere ... nope, no weapons over there ... maybe under here?" Six hundred U.S. soldiers have been killed in the "War against Terrorism," and I don't think we – especially the president – should be making jokes about not finding the weapons that we went to war over.

Bush just wanted a reason to be able to go into Iraq and start a war and find Saddam.

He wanted to finish what his father couldn't. Other presidents have made jokes about things they have done while in office, but this time it went too far. Clinton joked about the Lewinsky scandal, but no one was killed in that. The president should not joke when he has caused innocent people to die.

#### Campus construction woes

Once again, ECU undergoes growing (along with driving) pains as roads and buildings are torn up and put back together between Flanagan and Bate.

Does anyone remember a time when there wasn't any construction going on at this campus? From Rivers (the Nursing building) to the West End dining hall to Flanagan, you would think that the adminis-

tration would wait for one project (or headache) to finish before starting another one. Better yet, why not make Flanagan a parking deck? It's not in an area that's prone to flooding and a foundation already exists for the present building.

Science classes held before in Flanagan are now being held in the new Science and Technology building, so we're not losing classroom space. Unless someone is going to argue that parking is not an issue at ECU ...

#### Proud to be an American

Charred bodies of four American civilian contractors were pulled from burning vehicles by cheering residents after a grenade attack in central Iraq Wednesday.

Crowds dragged one body through the streets, beat another with sticks and hung them from a Euphrates River bridge. How any human could have such profound disrespect for another's body – no matter the nationality or sentiment held for that person – is beyond me.

Learning of this grotesque incident makes me realize what a large gap we as Americans straddle in comparison to other civilizations. Today, you won't find this sort of sickening behavior in America. It's no wonder we are at war – two nations so different could never get along.

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## Weird News

### Man confesses after seeing Passion of Christ

HOUSTON (AP) - A man in Texas confessed to a murder after seeing The Passion of The Christ movie and talking with a spiritual adviser, authorities said Thursday. Dan Leach's viewing of Mel Gibson's cinematic depiction of the last hours of Jesus, along with the discussion with a family friend, led him to walk into the Fort Bend County, Texas sheriff's department earlier this month and confess to killing Ashley Nicole Wilson, Det. Mike Kubrich said. A coroner had ruled her death by hanging a suicide.

### Stressed-out antelope harassed by teenagers

GILLETTE, Wyo. (AP) - Six teenagers were cited for harassment. The victim? A herd of antelope.

"I watched them do it," said South Gillette Game Warden John Schneidmiller, who was driving on Interstate 90 when he spotted the teenagers in a sport utility vehicle giving chase to the animals.

"They were definitely harassing the antelope." The driver was ticketed for harassing big game animals with a vehicle, which carries a \$410 fine. The five passengers were given warning citations. Their names were not released. Schneidmiller said antelope in the area are physically vulnerable and that harassment of this sort could cause serious injury or death to the animals.

"In the drought that we're in, the antelope are so stressed to begin with that they don't need additional stress," he said.

### Artist paints iceberg red

COPENHAGEN, Denmark (AP) - An artist with 780 gallons of red paint, three fire hoses and a 20-member crew at his disposal went to Greenland in search of a blank canvas large enough to accommodate his creative impulse.

The result is a blood-red iceberg now sitting off the country's western coast.

"We all have a need to decorate Mother Nature because it belongs to all us," Danish artist Marco Evaristi said Thursday.

"This is my iceberg; it belongs to me."

### Farmer won't ditch goats

CORINTH, Vt. (AP) - State officials are investigating a man whose goats and his religious convictions against killing them have collided in a possibly

inhumane and definitely stinky way. There were three goats on the farm Chris Weathersbee's mother bought seven years ago. Now there are 300 - including 70 living in his house, much of which is covered with a mix of goat droppings and hay.

Authorities last month raided the farm in Corinth, about 30 kilometres southeast of Montpelier, and seized 44 deemed unhealthy by a veterinarian. State police and the Central Vermont Humane Society are weighing whether to pursue animal cruelty or neglect charges.

Weathersbee, 63, admits he cannot afford to give the herd sufficient care, but he refuses to get rid of the animals. He said his Buddhist religious views prohibit him from slaughtering any of the goats.

## Movie from page A2

online," said Dunnigan.

"As long as I could use my debit card, it makes going to a movie, especially one with long lines, that much more convenient. I would love to see Carmike 12 make that available."

Between this year and last, box office grosses have risen over 13 percent, due in part to sites like Fandango.com, which provide potential moviegoers a number of online options.

While online ticket purchases are becoming more common, traditional methods continue to dominate the marketplace.

According to a 2000 USA Today poll, only 3 percent of all ticket transactions occurred online. By 2006, that number is projected to top 7 percent.

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Photo by Jessica Martin  
Carmike 12 would have benefited from Fandango when "The Passion of The Christ" hit theatres recently.

## Assault from page A2

sexual assault on campus who are unable to make themselves seek help.

"Lots of times, people who have been sexually assaulted or raped may not come in for counseling until long after the event had occurred. They think that if they don't think about it and just push it away, it will go away," Kisler-van Reede said.

"For some people, they find it is not going away, and it is creating problems for them ... they have to deal with the issues before they can move on."

Kisler-van Reede said she encourages all students who are victims of sexual assault to tell someone about the incident after it happens to quicken the healing process.

"They [victims] can have their feelings about the incident validated and finally decrease the shame," Kisler-van Reede said.

Olivia McGlohon, victim's advocate at the REAL Crisis

Center, said the center offers a number of services within ECU and the Greenville community in recognition of the National Sexual Assault Awareness Month.

The center also recognizes June as rape prevention month. McGlohon said the REAL Crisis Center sets up booths and brings guest speakers to ECU and the community to raise awareness.

"We are active in Barefoot on the Mall, we're going to be at the spring health fair next week," McGlohon said.

While sexual assault or rape can occur anywhere and to anyone, McGlohon said the age group at the highest risk is 19-25, and the majority of the perpetrators are acquaintances rather than strangers.

A common college setting where rapes are likely to occur is during "after-parties" or "late nights," where both have consumed alcohol, McGlohon said.

She said while these instances do sometimes occur in the perpetrator's home, it is also common for sexual assault to take place in the victim's home.

Curtis Hayes, accreditation sergeant of the ECU police, said a first-degree forcible rape, which involves actual intercourse with the victim is a class B1 felony, punishable by a maximum possible sentence of life in prison without parole if specific factors exist.

"I would recommend that citizens on campus use the buddy system when walking at night. There is no need to walk on campus alone since the University has so many resources available for the student's convenience and safety," Hayes said.

Susan McCammon, psychology professor who teaches sexual psychology, has done research on several cases involving sexual assault over the past decades. According to McCammon, a 1984 study in San Francisco revealed

24 percent of women reported to being victims of complete rapes in their lifetime, and 31 percent of women reported to being victims of attempted rapes.

These numbers have remained consistent until recent years, McCammon said. A 2000 study indicated approximately one-third of college females have been victims of some sort of sexual assault during college.

McCammon, who has noticed this issue to be very prevalent at ECU, said every semester she has students that come to her office to talk about being victims of sexual assaults.

Marvin Townes, junior industrial technology major, agrees with the statistic and said he knows four college students who are victims of sexual assaults.

Of these four students, two reported it, Townes said.

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## Theft from page A2

"[We] alerted the five [dorms] on College Hill to be aware of this individual," Knight said.

Cpl. Sharri Williams, Greenville police spokesperson and accreditation manager, said the suspect would be charged with first-degree burglary - meaning the suspect came into the student's residence without permission and then committed a robbery. The police report indi-

cated the only thing taken from the wallet was the money. The wallet contained a student identification card, a debit card and a Master Card.

Williams said Gollehan made the call after he notified his parents of the burglary.

Gollehan could not be reached for comment.

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### Did You Know?

- Psychologist Abraham H. Maslow (1908) and Director Barry Sonnenfeld (1953) both call today their birthday.
- This month is Become a Yardnerd Month.
- Today is April Fool's Day.
- On this day in 1990, it became illegal in Salem, Ore. to be within two feet of nude dancers.

### Announcements

#### Films

The Student Union Films Committee presents *Chasing Amy* today at 9:30 p.m., Friday at 7 p.m. and midnight, Saturday at 9:30 p.m. and Sunday at 7 p.m. *Dogma* is showing today at 7 p.m., Friday at 9:30 p.m., Saturday at 7 p.m. and midnight and Sunday at 3 p.m. All movies are free with a student ID and are located in the Hendrix Theatre. For more information, call 328-4700.

#### Percussion Ensemble

The School of Music presents a Percussion Ensemble directed by Jonathan Wacker at 8 p.m. today in the A. J. Fletcher Recital Hall. This event is free.

#### Premiere Performances

The School of Music presents Premiere Performances of work by ECU student composers at 8 p.m. on Friday, April 2 in the A.J. Fletcher Recital Hall. This event is free.

#### Live Music Performance

The Student Union Popular Entertainment Committee presents music by Q + Not U at 9 p.m. on Friday, April 2 in the Pirate Underground. This event is free.

#### Family Fare

The Family Fare series presents *Wrights of Passage* at 2 p.m. on Saturday, April 3 in Wright Auditorium. Tickets can be purchased by calling the Central Ticket Office at 1-800-ECU-ARTS.

#### Reading by Area Writers

Page, an evening of new works by area writers, will be at 7 p.m. on Saturday, April 3 at Emerge Gallery. This event is free. For more information, call the gallery at 551-6947 or Marion Blackburn at 931-0728.

#### Chamber Music

The Spring Chamber Music Concert directed by Yoram Youngerman will be held at 3 p.m. on Sunday, April 4 in the A. J. Fletcher Recital Hall. This event is free.

#### Kevin Smith

Film director Kevin Smith will be coming to campus to speak at 7 p.m. on Monday, April 5. Smith has directed films like *Chasing Amy*, *Dogma* and *Jersey Girl*. Tickets are on sale at the Central Ticket Office in Mendenhall or you may call 1-800-ECU-ARTS.

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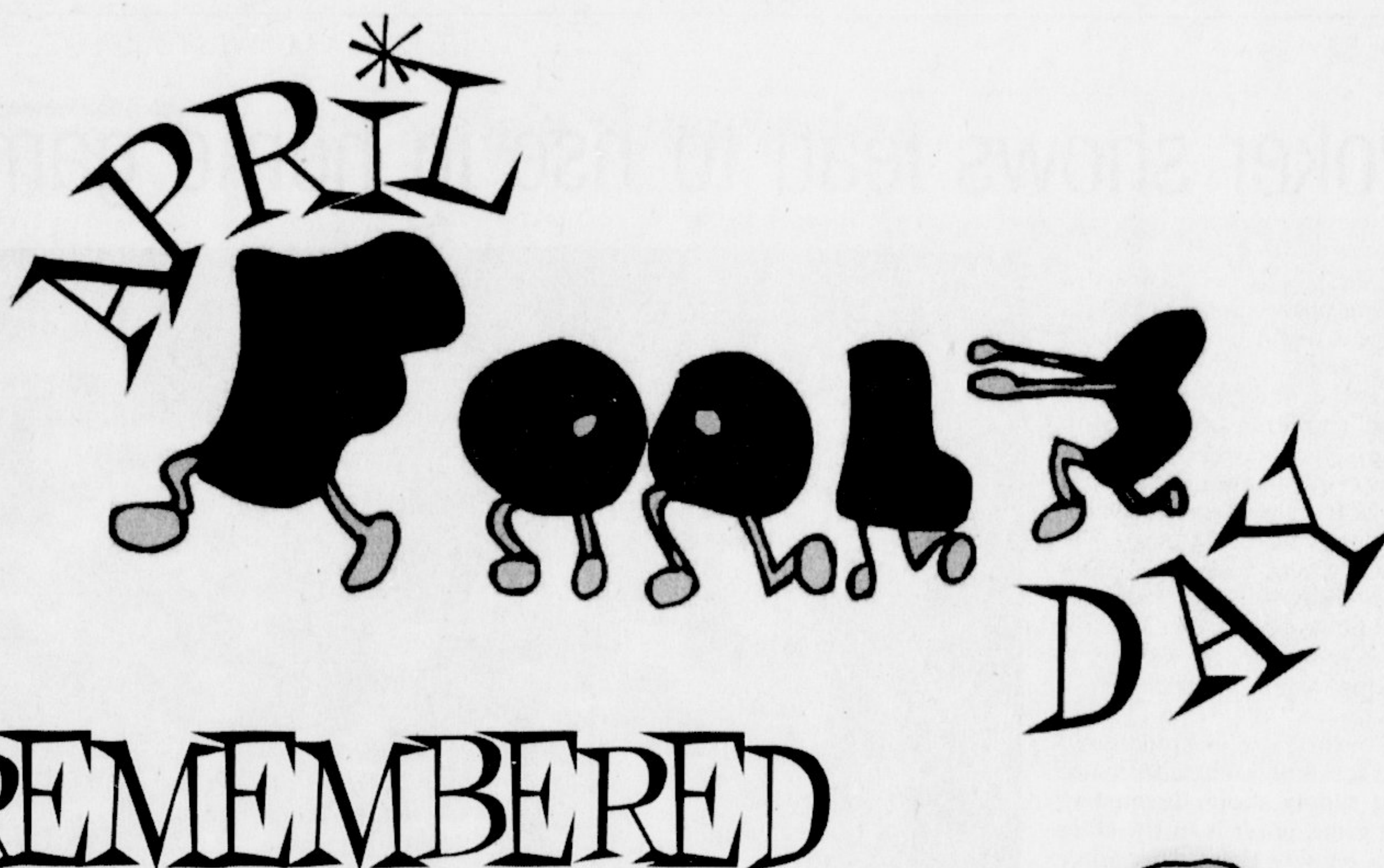
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### What are some of your funniest April Fool's jokes?



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"Last April Fool's, I went out with my twin sister's boyfriend, and he didn't notice, so the next day she dumped him."



**MATT GARRETT**  
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"On March 31, a buddy of mine called his ex-girlfriend, who broke up with him and convinced her to get back with him, but as the clock struck 12:01 he yelled 'April Fool's' and hung up the phone."



**SAMANTHA LOVE**  
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"I fixed the kitchen sink faucet hose with a rubber band so when my brother turned the water on, he got soaked."

### Pulling creative, funny pranks since 1564

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Each year, we encounter April Fool's Day and try to outsmart our previous pranks.

The joy of reveling in someone else's humiliation never gets old. Although we play these pranks on a yearly basis, many people are unaware of how April Fool's Day originated.

Its origins date back to the 16th century in France when celebrations for the New Year were held from March 25 through April 1. Parties and celebrations took place throughout the entire week to welcome in the New Year.

Sometime around 1564, King Charles IX adopted the Gregorian calendar and the first day of the New Year was changed to Jan. 1. Since news traveled by foot, it was a few years until the change took full effect.

Some people didn't know anything about the change in date, so they continued to celebrate on April 1 while others just refused to accept the change in calendars. The public labeled those who didn't know or refused to follow as "fools."

These problematics were ridiculed and sent on "fools' errands." In addition to being humiliated by performing false tasks, they were also embarrassed by being invited to false New Year's parties.

Over time, the harassment evolved and continued to take place on April 1, after everyone had adopted the new calendar.

Eventually, other nations like Britain and Scotland started to pick up the tradition. It reached the American colonies by word of the English and French.

Today, we find enjoyment in seeing others fall for our antics.

Small jokes such as telling someone their shoe is untied, taping a "kick me" sign to someone's back or placing salt in the sugar bowl are all classic, easy-to-laugh-at pranks.

In following with the tradition of the holiday, the words "April Fool's!" are proclaimed to the victim to ensure that it was all just a joke.

These pranks are certainly not meant to harm anyone, just to give everyone a good laugh.

"When I was in fourth grade, I yelled at my bus driver 'Hey Mrs. Perkins, watch out for that kid!' She slammed on her brakes and yelled at me," said Cliff Robinson, sophomore undecided major.

"If I was older, I probably wouldn't have done it."

Larger, more complex pranks have been carried out over the years and pack a more powerful punch.

Many college students like to set their roommate's clock forward or back so they think either they are late to class or they show up too early. This prank is fairly harmless. Just make sure they aren't going to miss a test because of it.

"In elementary school, my mom woke me up an hour early for school telling me the bus was at the corner. So I got up real fast, got dressed, and by the time I got downstairs to eat, my mom said, 'April Fool's!'" said Jon Koritz, freshman engineering major.

"I didn't get mad at her. I just finished eating and then went back to bed."

Some take it a step further to the national level. Over the years, many pranks have been pulled that have duped an entire nation into believing something was true – until they found out it was all a hoax.

In 1996, Taco Bell announced they had bought the Liberty Bell in Philadelphia. They said they



were renaming it the "Taco Liberty Bell." Hundreds were outraged until Taco Bell announced a few hours later that it was all just a practical joke.

In 1998, Burger King placed an advertisement in *USA Today* introducing the new "Left-Handed Whopper" for all of its left-handed customers.

The ad said the burger was made with the same ingredients except all the condiments were shifted 180 degrees to benefit the left-handed customer.

The next day, Burger King issued a follow-up release saying it was all a hoax, but not before thousands of lefties tried ordering the new sandwich.

In 2000, a news release was sent to the media advertising the 15th Annual New York City April Fool's Day Parade. The parade was scheduled to kick off at noon, April 1, starting at 59th Street. It promised many floats and celebrity guests.

CNN and FOX affiliate WNYW sent news crews to the scene to cover the event only to find out it was all a hoax – there was no sign of a parade anywhere.

Joey Skaggs, who has advertised the event every year since 1986, masterminded the prank.

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## Silent Bob speaks to students

Acclaimed writer, director Kevin Smith comes to ECU

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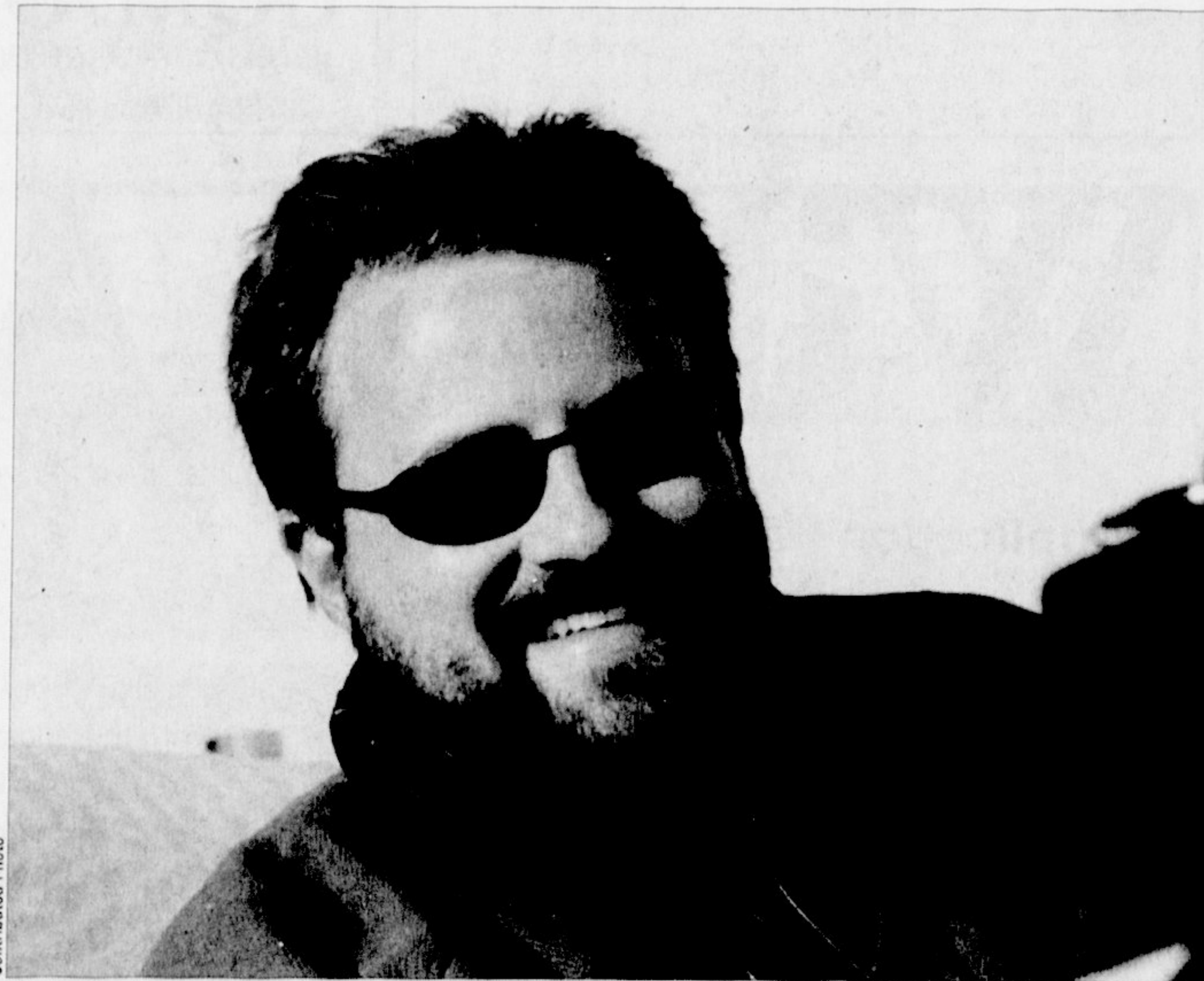
*Clerks*, *Mallrats*, *Chasing Amy*. For those of you who know these film titles by heart (as well as *Dogma* and *Jay and Silent Bob Strike Back*), the name Kevin Smith is synonymous with clever writing and deft comedic satire.

The New Jersey-born writer/director's newest feature, *Jersey Girl*, stars Ben Affleck as a recently unemployed press agent trying to balance both the aspirations of a long-term successful career in Hollywood and the successes of being a single father.

The film, inspired in part by Smith's own recent beginnings as a dad, is his first attempt outside the typical "Kevin Smith universe" that is so enjoyed by many in his previous five films. Long gone are the scatological arguments, the wicked satirical dialogue and the ever-present duo of Jay and Silent Bob.

Yet, the former convenience store clerk turned Hollywood director, whose 1994 hit film-debut *Clerks* introduced audiences to the concept of "viewing askew" has still managed to entertain audiences with one film motif that never tires – brilliant writing.

Smith adds a lighter touch to his normally mature, R-rated material, yet keeps a keen eye on the true realities of love that



Kevin Smith, director of movies such as 'Jersey Girl' and 'Dogma,' will speak on April 5.

seem so absent from many of today's romantic comedies. Smith's skill of observation and the wondrous ability to transform such findings to film is the reason he now enjoys a burgeoning career in Hollywood. On Monday, April 5, to a nearly sold-out Wright Auditorium, Smith will hold a question-and-answer session for those in attendance.

"I love all his movies,"

said Alyssa McNeil, junior business major.

"You can never watch a Kevin Smith movie and not laugh. It's impossible."

Audiences have long loved Smith for his unique style of satirical humor.

"His movies are great because they make you laugh and make you think," said Holden Jones,

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### Event Info

Kevin Smith  
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## Poker shows lead to rise in home games

(KRT) — In her 25 years of selling poker supplies, Odessa Woodert said, she has never been busier.

Two or three sales of chips, cards and other basics used to be a pretty good week, she said. Now, that's an average Saturday.

"We've always had a good clientele but not like we have now," said Woodert, a saleswoman for Fort Worth Billiards. "It used to be middle-aged men, but now we're getting college kids, we're getting women. It's tripled since last August."

With six television shows and scores of online chat rooms and supply shops devoted to the game, poker is in the chips in a big way these days. Some fear the interest may lead to more people with gambling problems. But industry analysts say the game once associated with shady hucksters and smoke-filled backrooms has gone mainstream as the number of players, especially young players, grows every day.

"The old figure from five years ago was that 50 million people played recreationally or professionally," said Trey Aldridge, general manager of *Card Player Magazine*. "We figure that number is well over 100 million now and increasing rapidly. We're getting a huge influx of young people."

Meetup.com, a Web site that brings together people with similar interests, has more poker-playing members from Texas than from any other state. According to site officials, Austin, Houston, Dallas and Fort Worth rank among the site's top 20 cities nationwide for poker memberships, and the number grows every day. As of Thursday, Fort Worth ranked 19th with 90 members.

Aldridge attributes poker's renaissance to televised versions of the game, such as the Travel Channel's "World Poker Tour," which made its debut last year. Expert commentary and tiny cameras that show the players' cards contribute to the show's popularity. That, in turn, has driven a resurgence in neighborhood poker games, Aldridge said.

"It brought it from something that's not very interesting to watch to something that's fascinating — watching how the pros play and how they bluff," he said.



Shows, such as Bravo's "Celebrity Poker Showdown," have peaked an interest in the game.

Other such programs include Bravo's "Celebrity Poker Showdown," ESPN's "US Poker Championships," ESPN2's "World Series of Poker," and Fox Sports' "Late Night Poker" and "Showdown at the Sands."

Ian Voorn, a 21-year-old senior business major at Texas Christian University in Fort Worth, said such programs have brought more players to the table for his regular Sunday games.

"That's made it more popular, but I started playing before it got popular on TV," he said.

Voorn, originally from Flower Mound, Texas, said that unlike those on television shows, where pots can grow to thousands of dollars, his game is strictly small-stakes.

"Usually, each person puts in like 10 bucks at the beginning, and we play for pretty small chip denominations," he said. "You're not going to get rich playing, but you're not going to go broke, either. It's just a good way to hang out with my friends."

High stakes or low stakes, private poker games are legal under state law as long as no one is taking a flat percentage of the pot, Keller Police Chief Mark Hafner said.

"Among friends in a home, there's not a threshold that would make it illegal gambling," he said.

It may not be illegal, but officials at the Texas Council on Problem and Compulsive Gambling fear poker's newfound popularity may lead to addiction.

Sue Cox, the council's former director, said that because the group no longer receives state funding, it is staffed by a skeleton crew of volunteers who may not be prepared to handle an influx of poker-related calls.

"It is a concern," she said. "It's clear just in conversations with people that they are watching TV poker, and that's translating into a desire to participate themselves."

William Kutka, a 20-year-old junior marketing major at the University of Texas at Arlington, said he plays just for fun. He and a rotating group of about 15 friends have invested in heavy professional chips and a 10-seat poker table.

"It cost a couple of hundred dollars for the chips, but it was worth it," said Kutka, originally from Grapevine, Texas. "It makes it more exciting. Instead of holding those little Wal-Mart chips, you feel like you're really at a casino."

Woodert, the poker-supply saleswoman, said such chips are so popular now that she can barely keep them in stock.

Not that she plays the game herself, she said.

"To be honest with you, nothing in here is fun to me anymore," she said. "I hate to tell you that, but I'm constantly looking at it, constantly ordering it — for me, it's work."

### Poker

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5. Flush — Any five cards of the same suit but not in sequence. For example, the ace, two, six, jack and nine of hearts.
6. Straight — Five cards in sequence but not of the same suit.
7. Three of a kind — Three cards of the same rank.
8. Two pair — Two separate pairs.
9. Pair — Two cards of the same rank.
10. High card — The highest card in a hand of five cards not in sequence and of different suits and with no pairs of the same rank.

#### Poker on TV

Travel Channel: "World Poker Tour"  
Bravo: "Celebrity Poker Showdown"  
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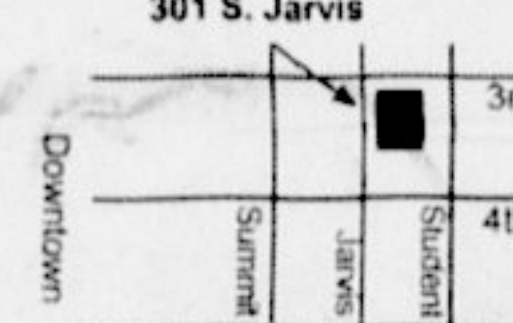
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## Quick Picks: Film Review

*Return of 1970s thanks to 'Starsky and Hutch'*

KIMBERLY KNIGHT  
STAFF WRITER

The 1970s sitcom, "Starsky and Hutch," stars Starsky and Hutch as two police officers becoming partners and fighting crime in the Bay City area.

These two are an extremely odd pair, from the 1970s way of dress to Starsky's overrated perm.

However, it made the plot for a hit show and now a recent film entitled *Starsky and Hutch* directed by Todd Phillips (*Road Trip* and *Old School*). The new version of *Starsky and Hutch* stars two of today's well-known comedians Ben Stiller (*Meet the Parents*) and Owen Wilson (*I Spy*).

Stiller's character is David Starsky, a by-the-book cop who is trying to fill his mother's shoes. Wilson, who plays Hutch, is a ladies' man cop who enjoys slacking off as much as possible.

These two cops come from totally different ways of life, which makes them a great pair to watch—like the originals, they are constantly at one another's throats.

Fun additions to the plot are Huggy Bear, played by Snoop Dogg, who is always a ready informant for Hutch. Familiar comedic faces Will Ferrell and Vince Vaughn give great performances, as well.

The villains are drug dealers



Stiller and Wilson star as 1970s cops in 'Starsky and Hutch.'

and convicts who have a multimillion dollar scam going on right under Starsky and Hutch's noses.

The movie is filled with action-packed scenes such as shootouts, fast cars and bad guys to keep you interested.

The beginning starts a little slow, but if you pay attention, it will become one of your favorites.

Of course, like all cop movies, you still have the good versus evil and there are twists to the plot, too.

The original style of dress, hairstyles, 1970s slang and Starsky's beloved car are the same—only the villains' names have been changed to protect the guilty.

Basically, it is a blast from the past kind of movie that captivates an audience with pure laughter.

## Film Info

Title: 'Starsky & Hutch'

Cast: Ben Stiller, Owen Wilson, Snoop Dogg

Release Date: March 12, 2004

However, like almost every movie, there are flaws. For this film, it's not being long enough—once you get into the storyline, it's over.

**The Bottom Line:** Stiller and Wilson are hilarious. Audiences are sure to enjoy the twists and turns of crime fighting police officers and overly eccentric bad guys.

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## Bob from page B1

"It's not all about [potty] jokes, you know? Most of the time, he's tackling real important issues that many are afraid to go near. He just uses [satirical] comedy as a way to address it."

Other students agree.

"He's a total original," said Kevin Mosier, senior business major.

"That's why so many kids love his stuff. It's one thing to be funny, but when you've got your own thing going on that makes you stick out, people know you. It's the same thing with like Dave Chappelle or Dane Cook—when people check out a Kevin Smith movie, they expect it to be good and know it won't be like every other thing that's out there."

Whether admirers or die-hard fans, many people will attend to enjoy a few hours with one of the film industry's brightest moviemakers.

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## Quick Picks: Album Review

*Monica illustrates life 'After the Storm'*

MONIQUE LINDER  
STAFF WRITER

The sultry sounds of southern flavor and diva-like attitude give Atlanta native singer Monica Arnold's *After the Storm* a bit of spice.

The third album, which includes tracks produced by the creative and multi-talented Missy Elliot, is filled with songs that speak about love lost and gained.

In between tears of joy and pain, the album also includes club-bangers. One of her singles, "Get It Off," is a non-stop party anthem. The single features hot beats and a guest appearance by rapper Dirt Bag.

Recent years have proven to be those of tragedy and triumph for the 22-year-old songstress that led the singer into different arenas, personally and musically. On this album, Monica is presented in a new light. The additional titles of songwriter and rapper have been added to her already impressive resume.

The track "I Wrote This Song," which gives listeners a painful look inside the recent misfortune of losing her boyfriend to suicide, has cast out any doubtful thoughts of her inabilities as a writer.

The melodies "Knock Knock" and "So Gone" give listeners a taste of Monica's hip-hop style by introducing herself as a rapper. Like her singing, her rap technique is smooth, sexy and feminine.

*After The Storm* presents different aspects of Monica's musicality, displaying the creative



## Album Info

Title: 'After the Storm'

Artist: Monica

Label: J-Records

growth she has experienced since her sophomore album, *The Boy Is Mine*.

The album includes a duet with Tyrese entitled "Go To Bed Mad," which is a song about the importance of resolving relationship woes as they happen.

Monica also collaborated with rap artist DMX for another hit entitled "Don't Gotta Go Home" that entails the misfortune of a couple who has to love one another secretly.


**The Bottom Line:** This album is packed with songs of devotion, heartache, love and fun-filled club nights. With this release, Monica has created an album for all moods and situations, letting the audience know that there is sunshine *After The Storm*.

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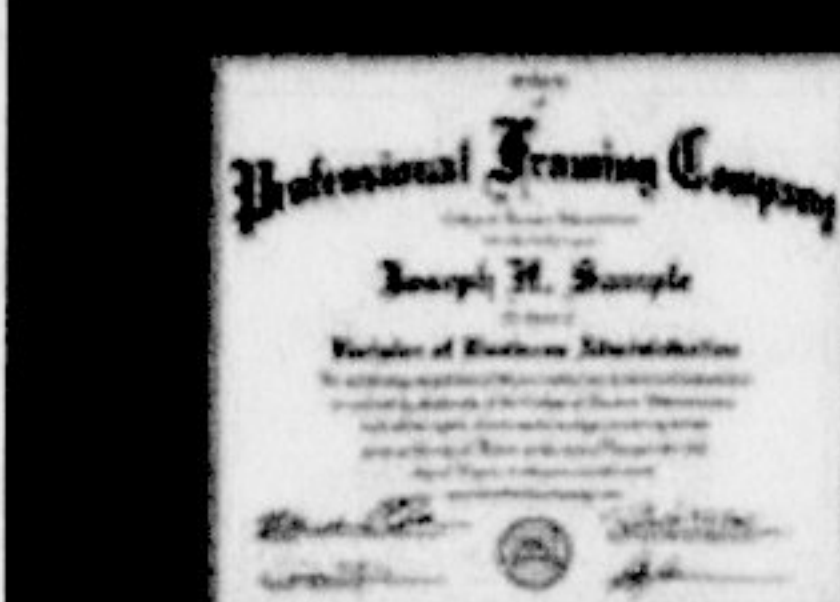
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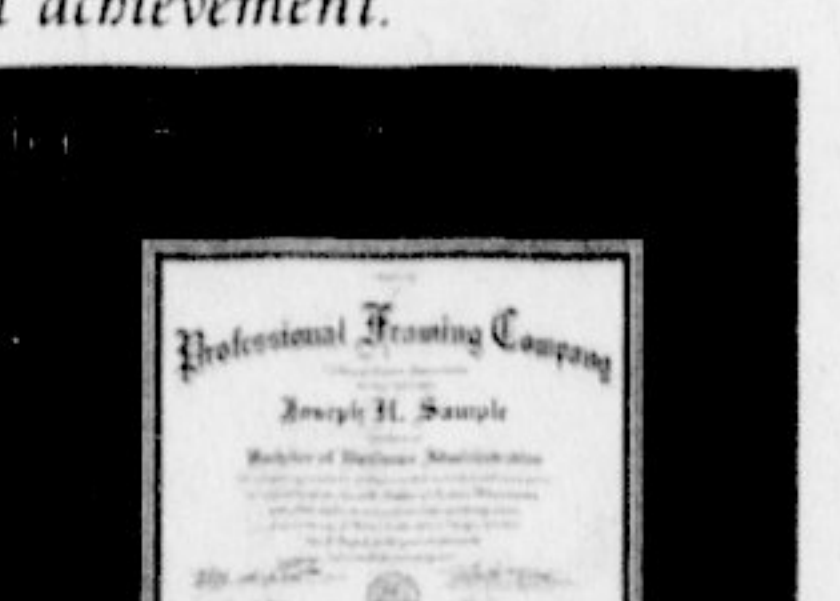
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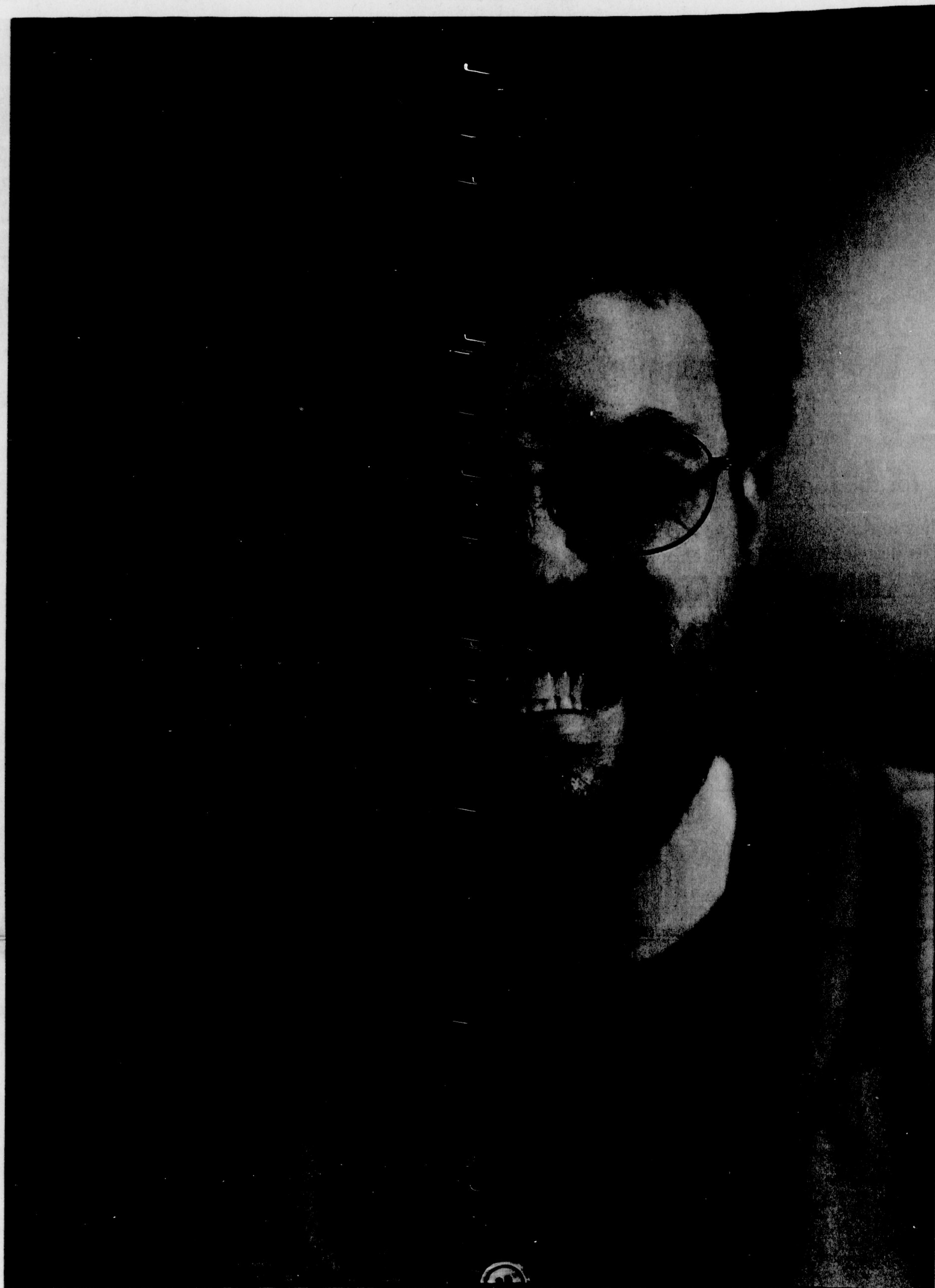


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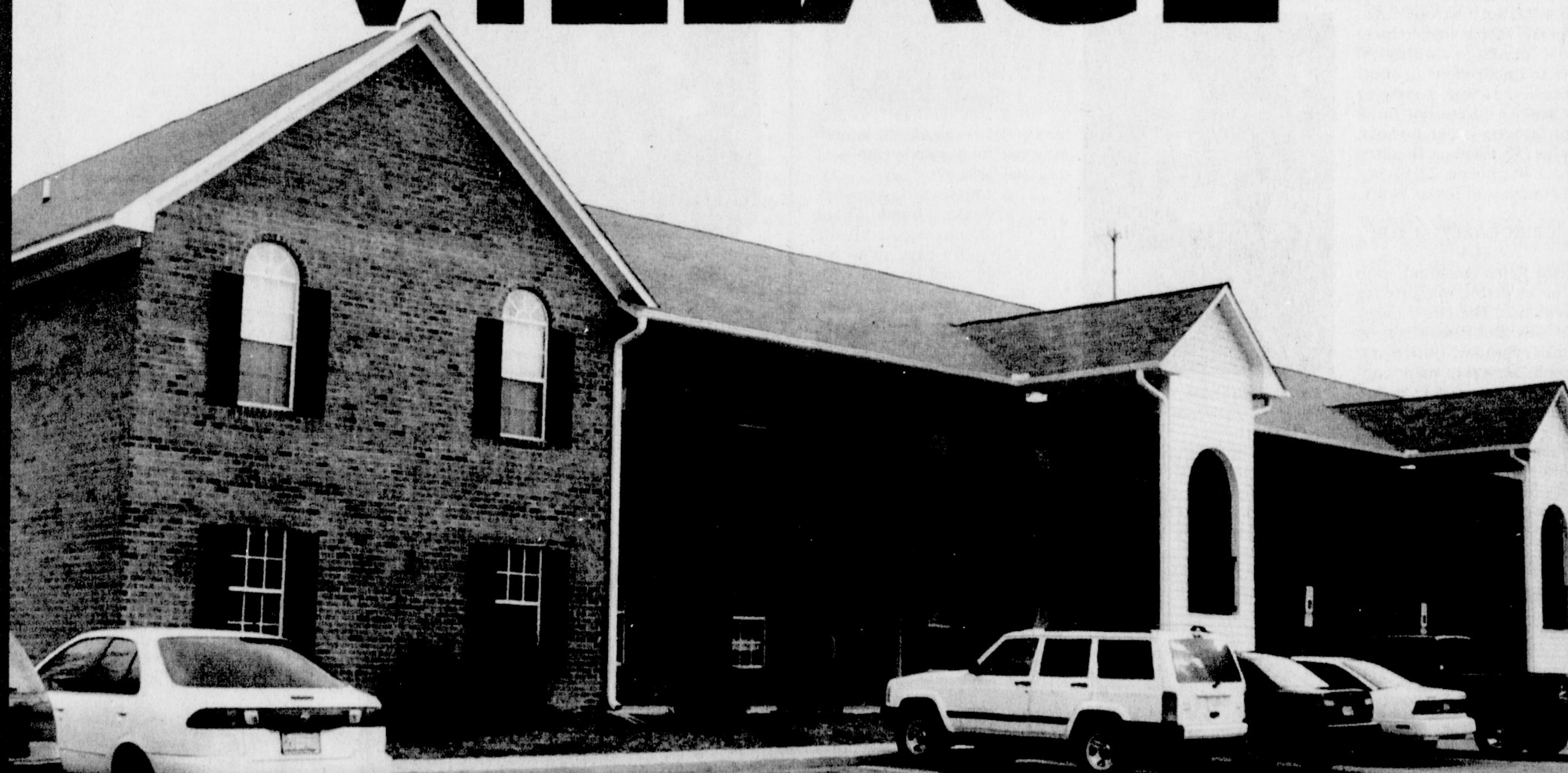
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## Names in the News

(KRT)—American literary giant John Updike on Monday was named winner of the PEN/Faulkner Award for fiction, billed as the country's largest annual prize for fiction.

Updike won for "The Early Stories," a compilation of short fiction from 1953 - 1975, and will receive \$15,000. "Story after story has that moment of a deftly rendered revelation, subtle and astonishing, that honest recognition of who we are," PEN/Faulkner judge Elizabeth Strout said.

Updike, 72, has written more than 50 books, including 20 novels and collections of short stories. He has won a Pulitzer Prize and the National Book Award, among other honors. The other PEN/Faulkner finalists: Frederick Barthelme, ZZ Packer, Caryl Phillips and Tobias Wolff.

### 'DREW CAREY' ACTOR SHOT

Actor Keith Diamond, who had the recurring role of Greg Clemens on "The Drew Carey Show," was shot three times by his father Sunday, police say. Diamond, 42, was in stable condition at a Queens, N.Y., hospital. His father was charged with first-degree assault and criminal possession of a weapon.

Police said Diamond, born Vincent Ford Jr., was eating at the family's home in Queens when Vincent Ford, 81, opened fire with a .32-caliber revolver. According to the *New York Post*, the shooting was sparked by an argument about medical care for Diamond's mother, Sally, who is dying of cancer. But police told the *New York Times* there was no evidence of an argument.



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### 'FRIENDS' CAST ROUNDUP

Once they're done with the TV event of the year - the May 6 "Friends" finale - the stars will have new jobs, or be looking for 'em. (Not that they'll really need the cash, since each has made at least \$1 mil per episode for the last two seasons.) Here's a little update on what's coming:

The *Hollywood Reporter* says Matt LeBlanc, who'll take his dimwitted-yet-lovable Joey stick to the imaginatively titled "Joey," will be joined on the NBC spin-off sitcom by Drea de Matteo. She's Adriana, the mob moll (and FBI mole) on "The Sopranos," and she'll portray Joey's hairdresser sister. Not to worry - de Matteo will be able to do both gigs.

Meanwhile, Jennifer Aniston is doing just fine. Brad Pitt's wife just signed to costar in *Gambit*, a remake of the 1966 crime dramedy that starred Shirley Maclaine and Michael Caine. The plot involves a beautiful woman who's sent to distract a mil-

lionaire by a thief who wants the rich dude's expensive statue. Ben Kingsley will reportedly costar. It's the third Aniston flick set for post-"Friends" release.

And according to columnist Liz Smith, David Schwimmer just wrapped the comedy *Duane Hopwood*, shot at the Jersey Shore. He plays a casino worker and dad who tries to put his life back together after a divorce. Janeane Garofalo plays his ex-wife.

### THIS IS YOUR LIFE, MICHAEL JACKSON

In much stranger casting news, VH1 is scouring the known universe for someone who'll fit Michael Jackson's shoes.

The music vid network plans to make a biopic about the Gloved One, tracing his life from the glory days up to his much-publicized brushes with the law.



### HOT MATCH?

Here we go. Just days after news that the Tom Cruise-Penelope Cruz corporeal partnership has gone bust, gossips are coming up with new love scenarios.

First up, Brit tabloid *News of the World*, which makes the unsubstantiated claim that Pen is romancing Matthew McConaughey.

Where's proof for this liaison? Well, Matt and Pen are costarring in the flick *Sahara*, being shot in the Moroccan desert. And, according to the immutable laws of physics, when hot actors costar in epics, they ALWAYS hook up.

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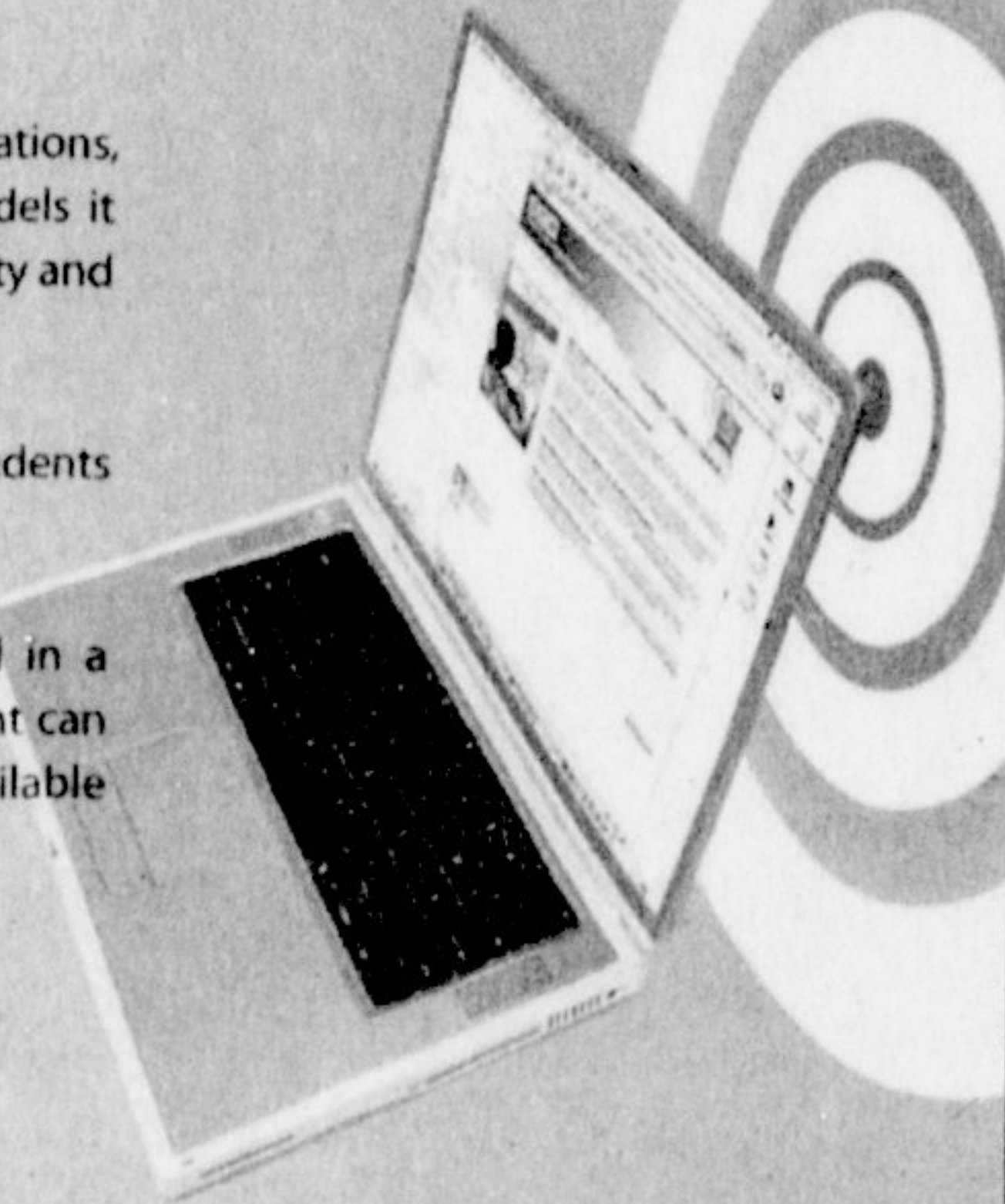
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**Chasing Amy** – starring Jennifer Connelly and Ben Kingsley. Amir (Kingsley), a former member of the Shah of Iran's inner circle, sees an opportunity to improve his life in America by buying a house being sold for back taxes. However, it is a mistake – the house was improperly seized from its rightful owner, Katy (Connelly). After almost losing her life to addiction, she decides to fight for her home – at any cost. Rated: R.

**Dogma** – starring Ewan McGregor, Albert Finney and Billy Crudup. Edward Bloom (Finney) loves to tell stories about himself as a young man (McGregor), and although his stories charm most and are often tall tales, they don't impress his estranged son. When father and son are reunited, the son must learn how to separate fact from fiction to save their relationship. Rated: PG-13.

### Carmike 12

**Dawn of the Dead** – starring Sarah Polley and Ving Rhames. Remake of George Romero's classic in which a swarm of slow-moving cannibalistic corpses who snack on the inhabitants of a shopping mall. Rated: R.

**Hellboy** – starring Ron Perlman and Selma Blair. Born in the flames of hell and brought to Earth to perpetrate evil, Hellboy (Perlman) was rescued from sinister forces by Dr. Broom, who raised him to be a hero. Rated: PG-13.

**Hidalgo** – starring Viggo Mortensen, Malcolm McDowell and Omar Sharif. Mortensen plays real-life 19th century Pony Express courier, Frank T. Hopkins. In 1890, Hopkins, a respected horse

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**Home on the Range** – starring Judi Dench, Cuba Gooding Jr. and Randy Quaid. A group of cows learn that their owner must pay a \$1000 mortgage on the farm or she will be forced to sell. The animals band together with the lady's horse to come up with the money. Their plan is to collect the bounty on a no-good bandit who's on the run. Rated: PG.

**Jersey Girl** – starring Ben Affleck and Liv Tyler. A savvy music promoter (Affleck) has his world turned upside down when he indulges in a whirlwind romance with a Publishing House book editor (Tyler). Rated: PG-13.

**The Ladykillers** – starring Tom Hanks and Marlon Wayans. An eccentric Southern professor (Hanks) puts together a gang of double-crossing thieves to rob a riverboat casino. They rent a room in an old woman's house,

but when she discovers the scheme, somebody has to kill her. Rated: R.



**Never Die Alone** – starring DMX and David Arquette. A journalist (Arquette) witnesses the murder of a gangster (DMX). The gangster's rise and fall is charted in flashback through the gangster's journal, which enables the journalist to understand why he was killed and tell the story. Rated: R.

**The Passion of The Christ** – starring James Caviezel, Monica Bellucci and Maia

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**Secret Window** – starring Johnny Depp, Maria Bello and John Turturro. Based on the Stephen King book, Secret Window, Mort Rainey (Depp), finds himself terrorized by a psychotic stalker named John Shooter (Turturro). Rainey's living in a distant cabin after a painful divorce. Shooter finds him and accuses the

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**Starsky & Hutch** – starring Ben Stiller, Owen Wilson and Snoop Dogg. The adaptation of the TV show takes place in the Bay City. It's a 'prequel' to the television series, about how the two police heroes got together, and their first case, involving a former college campus drug dealer turned big-time white-collar criminal. Rated: PG-13.

**Taking Lives** – starring Angelina Jolie, Ethan Hawke and Kiefer Sutherland. Story of an FBI agent (Jolie) who becomes involved with her key witness while tracking a prolific serial killer who assumes the lives and identities of the people he kills. Rated: R.

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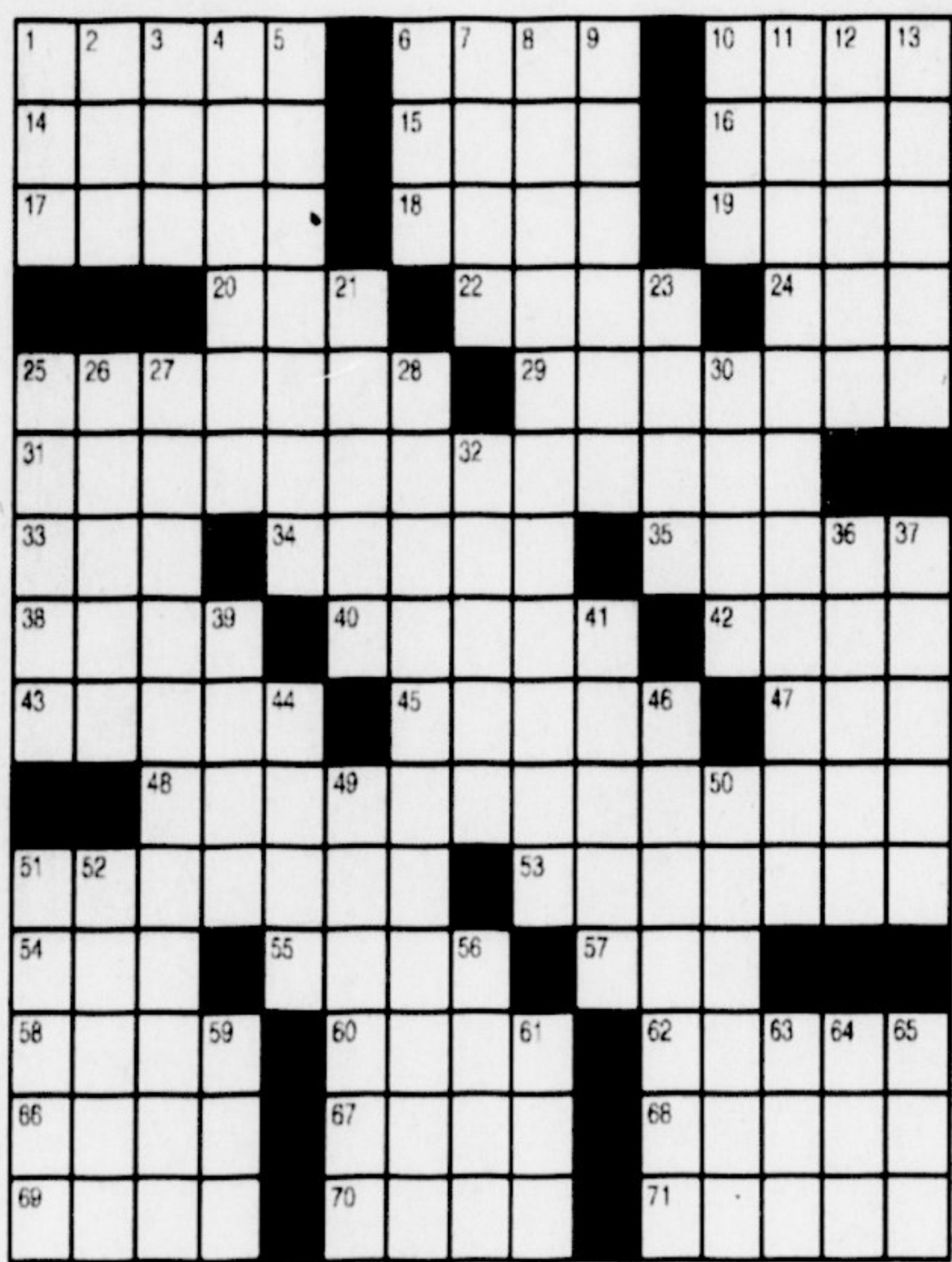
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- In a state of  
suspense
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cookie
- Alter a skirt's  
length
- Mother, Fr.
- Toledo mister
- Nostrils
- Exist
- Change one's  
mind after  
reconsideration
- Disk-shaped toy
- Staggerers
- Gun it in neutral
- Magie and Mineo
- Outer edge
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- Soft, thick lump
- Young females
- Colorado tributary
- Host after Carson
- Muse of poetry
- Hades river
- Cogito \_\_ sum
- Singer Travis

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- Blast letters
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through a sunny,  
happy day...

to forever be looking over  
your shoulder wondering  
what's creeping up on  
you next...

to live the good life,  
free of troubles  
or care...

to dream the  
impossible  
dream...

**Fishbowl** by Bob Witchger

SO THIS IS IT. A MILLION  
DOLLARS FOR STANDING NEXT  
TO THE BOSS "MILKCHAMBER"  
AND LOOKING PRETTY FOR THE  
WHOLE STRIP. SURE MORE  
POWER DOESN'T TRY TO ONE-  
UP ME.

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AGAINST THE  
FUR INDUSTRY!

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**usher** "Slight of HAND" by: Michael Parker

I told you. I can't sell you  
a Star Wars ticket yet.  
My hands are tied.

You WILL SELL me  
a ticket...

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By the power  
of Grey Skull...  
I did it!

Your ticket,  
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HEY! What's  
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Look here. It's not  
"the force" that gives  
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## Announcements

**ECU Football Team to Hold Food Drive**

The ECU football team will be conducting a food and clothing drive at Dowdy-Ficklen Stadium on Thursday, April 1, in conjunction with its final intra-squad scrimmage of the spring. Barrels will be set up at the main entrance gate on the south side in advance of the scrimmage and all donated items will go to the Greenville Food Bank and Greenville Homeless Shelter. The game is scheduled for a 7 p.m. start and admission is free to both ECU students and the public. ECU students will also be given the opportunity to compete for prizes in a variety of contests.

## Sports Briefs

**Court to decide on eligibility**

A federal appeals court will hear the dispute over whether Maurice Clarett can enter the NFL draft less than a week before it takes place. The NFL tried to convince a three-judge panel of the 2nd U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals that it should block Clarett's entry by staying the effect of a lower court judge's ruling that he be allowed in the April 24 - 25 draft, even though the former Ohio State running back is only two years out of high school.

The appeals panel instead agreed to set oral arguments for April 19 and suggested it might immediately rule whether Clarett can enter the draft, with a written ruling to follow explaining its reasoning.

**Instant replay renewed**

The NFL once again compromised on instant replay, deciding to continue it for five more years rather than putting it in permanently. The owners did decide, however, to add an extra challenge for teams who have successfully used two challenges. Since replay was reinstituted in 1999, teams were limited to just two challenges, except for the last two minutes of each half when a replay official could order a review. The vote on replay was 29-3, with Kansas City, Indianapolis and Cincinnati voting against. Arizona voted for it for the first time in the two decades that it has been considered.

**Thrash back with Skins**

Receiver James Thrash returned to the Washington Redskins in a trade that sent a 2005 fifth-round draft pick to the Philadelphia Eagles. Thrash began his NFL career with four seasons in Washington before signing a five-year deal with the Eagles as a free agent in 2001. He joins a crowded Redskins receiving corps and could be the No. 3 wideout behind Laveranues Coles and Rod Gardner.

**Vincent named to top NFLPA post**

Bills cornerback Troy Vincent was elected president of the NFL Players Association. Vincent, who left the Eagles as a free agent this year and signed with Buffalo, replaces Trace Armstrong, the union president for the last eight years. Armstrong, who is considering retirement, did not run for re-election.

**More allegations at Colorado**

The head of a rape crisis center said that two more women have come forward in the past three months to say they were sexually assaulted by University of Colorado football players. Janine D'Anniballe made the new allegations during a public meeting of the panel investigating football recruiting practices at the university. Members of the panel said their investigation has confirmed underage recruits had access to alcohol and one said there was a "strong indication" university officials knew what was going on. D'Anniballe, executive director of Moving to End Sexual Assault in Boulder, said confidentiality rules barred her from disclosing details of the latest assault claims, including whether the players are still on the team.

**Iverson to miss rest of season**

Allen Iverson is out for the rest of the regular season. The Philadelphia 76ers announced their All-Star guard will miss the final eight games because of persistent pain in his right knee, the same injury that kept him out of 13 of the last 19 games.

**NCAA nails small school**

The NCAA placed Cal State Northridge on probation for three years for ethical and academic violations in its men's basketball program. The action marked the second time in four years the school has been slapped for misconduct in athletics. A report by the NCAA's infractions committee detailed the efforts of an assistant coach to protect the eligibility of a player during the 2002-03 season by persuading one instructor to give the student an "A" in a course he never attended and for trying to persuade others to fabricate grades.

**Murphy appears in court on molestation charges**

Tears streaming down his face after appearing in court Wednesday, former Houston Rockets star Calvin Murphy insisted he did not molest five of his daughters. Murphy, 55, was a guard for the Rockets from 1970-1983 and was inducted into the Basketball Hall of Fame in 1993. He was granted a leave of absence from his Rockets TV job while he fights three charges of indecency with a child and three charges of aggravated sexual assault of a child. The women said the abuse occurred from 1988-1991, according to an affidavit filed by state investigators. Murphy contends the claims by his daughters, now adults, stem from family discord related to a battle over money.

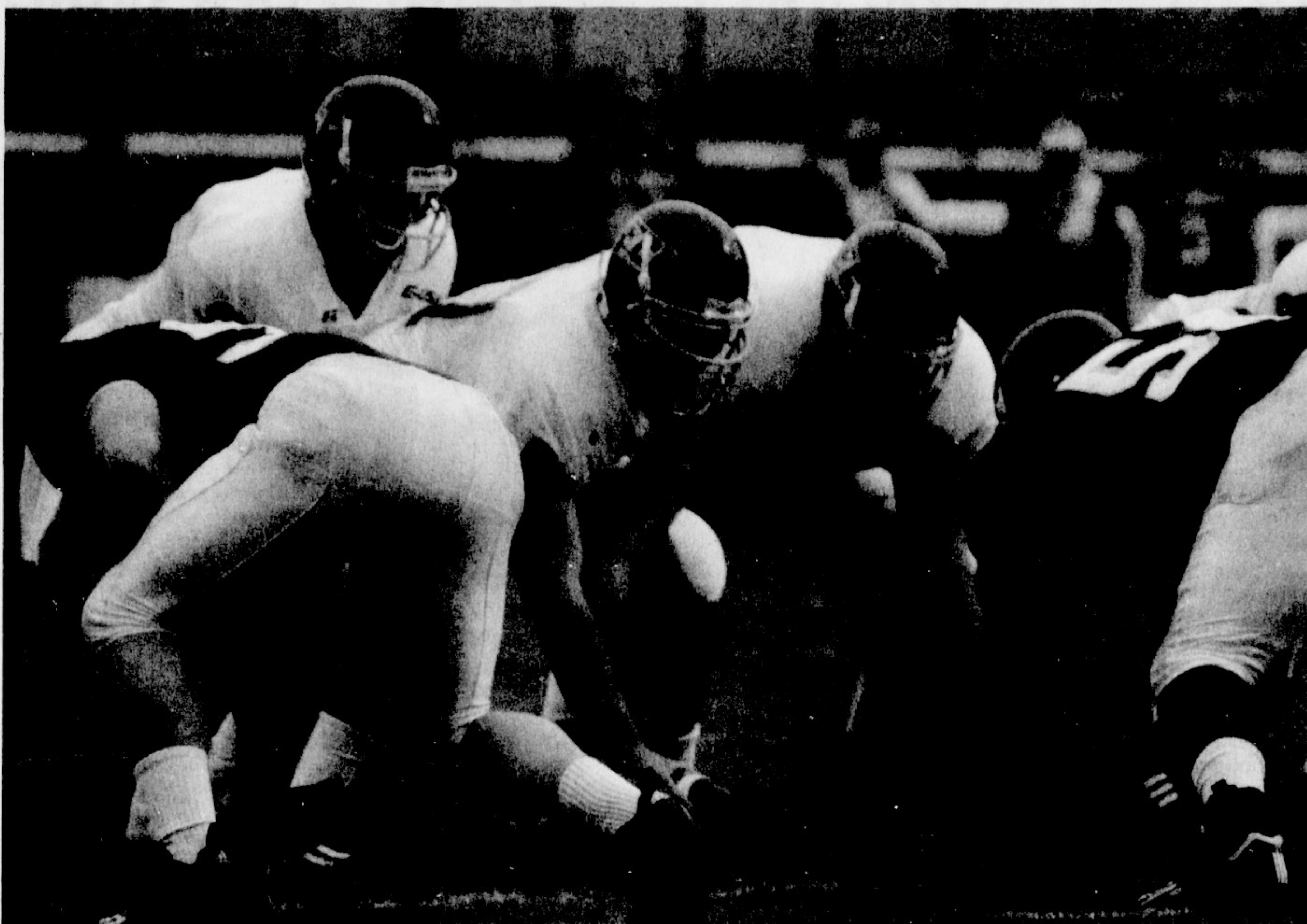
**NASCAR handing out fines**

Jamie McMurray was fined \$10,000 by NASCAR and placed on probation until the end of August for spinning out Matt Kenseth at Bristol Motor Speedway. McMurray, the 2003 rookie of the year on NASCAR's top circuit, was penalized for actions detrimental to stock car racing. He is on probation until Aug. 31.

**McGrady done for season with knee tendinitis**

NBA scoring leader Tracy McGrady will miss the rest of the season after the Orlando Magic put him on the injured list Wednesday because of left knee tendinitis. McGrady, averaging 28 points, skipped the past two games because his knee was sore and now also will be sidelined for the Magic's

## Final scrimmage tonight



Patrick Dosh passed for 53 yards on 4-of-5 passing and was one of three quarterbacks to see the field in the Purple-Gold game this past Saturday. The Pirates will hold their last scrimmage of the spring tonight at Dowdy-Ficklen Stadium.

**Food and clothing drive will also be held**

**BRANDON HUGHES**  
SENIOR WRITER

Spring practice for the ECU football team will conclude tonight in a final scrimmage at 7 p.m. in Dowdy-Ficklen Stadium. The game will be the third intrasquad scrimmage this spring and is free to ECU students and the public.

A food and clothing drive will also happen during tonight's game. Barrels will be placed at the main entrance gate on the south side before the scrimmage. All donated items will go

to the Greenville Food Bank and Greenville Homeless Shelter.

"Our team wanted to make this scrimmage meaningful to the community," said head coach John Thompson.

"The entire community has been so supportive of this football team that we wanted to do something to give back to it."

The Pirates have held practices for a month and Thompson was pleased that his team has shown consistent improvement.

ECU's first scrimmage in early March was full of turnovers and big plays. Quarterbacks James Pinkney and Patrick Dosh combined to throw seven interceptions and actual officials whistled

the Pirates for 14 penalties.

Pinkney completed 12 of 22 passes for 177 yards and three picks. Dosh went 8-for-26 with four interceptions.

Senior Desmond Robinson completed just 4 of 11 passes for 84 yards, but did throw two touchdowns, one a 56-yard strike to Robert Tillman.

Tillman also had 104 yards on 24 carries and four rushing touchdowns. Sophomore Kevin Roach led all receivers with four catches for 47 yards and a score.

The annual Purple/Gold scrimmage ended in a 7-7 tie last Saturday when thunderstorms rolled through the area late in the first half.

Robinson threw a five-yard

touchdown pass on the opening drive for the Gold team and junior John Chilsom returned an interception 71 yards to set up a Purple touchdown run. Eleven different receivers caught passes from the trio of quarterbacks. Sophomore tight end Josh Coffman led the way with six catches for 63 yards.

All students are encouraged to attend to support the Pirates and make a food and clothing contribution for the Greenville community. ECU students will also be given the opportunity to compete for prizes in a variety of contests.

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## Diamond Pirates travel to Charlotte



Pitching will be key for ECU against Charlotte this weekend.

**ECU prepares for series with 49ers**

**BRENT WYNNE**  
STAFF WRITER

Fresh off of a Conference USA road series victory over Memphis, the Pirates will continue their nine-game road swing with a trip to Charlotte to take on the 49ers in conference play this weekend.

ECU heads into the series boasting a 21-6 record and a No. 18 national rank.

The 49ers enter the weekend with a 13-9 record overall and are 3-3 in conference. The most impressive of the 13 wins came in an early season match-up with Clemson in which the underdog 49ers pulled off an improbable 5-4 upset of the former No. 11 ranked Tigers.

The Pirates' in-state rivals got off to a quick start in conference play with a three-game sweep of St. Louis, only to watch the favor returned to them courtesy of No. 12 Tulane.

Although The Green Wave had their way with the 49ers offensively, Charlotte did put up a number of runs against one of the nation's best pitching staffs.

The Pirate pitching staff will not have a cakewalk by any means, as they have to face a 49er offense led by Jamie Rusco, who leads Charlotte with a .400 batting average along with 10 home runs and 27 RBI.

ECU's mound workers presently have a collectively staggering ERA of 2.63, so the 49ers will need more than just one man to get the job done at the plate.

The diamond bucs' staff is led by junior workhorse Greg

Bunn, who is 4-0 with an ERA of 2.34. The right-hander has thrown 42.1 innings and leads the team in strikeouts with 52. The opponents' batting average against Bunn is a meager .159.

Brody Taylor also has an unblemished mark of 4-0 and leads the team in innings pitched with 46. The suave left-hander has 48 strikeouts to compliment his 3.13 ERA.

Shane Mathews and Carter Harrell have also pitched stellar thus far, posting 3-0 and 4-1 records respectively.

Freshman relief pitcher Mike Flye currently leads ECU in ERA with a mark of 1.62. The 49ers' pitching will be tested again this weekend by a potent Pirate offense, which currently has produced 38 home runs, nine coming off the bat of sophomore sensation Trevor Lawhorn.

An interesting fact to note - in the fourth, fifth and sixth frames, the Pirate offense has put up more runs than any other three innings combined.

Ryan Jones leads the team at the plate and is among the conference leaders with a .411 batting average.

The lethal Lawhorns and Ryan Norwood have been hot lately. Darryl Lawhorn is starting to find that deadly swing that Pirate fans grew to love in his first two seasons by going five of his last 13 with six RBI and three home runs. Brother Trevor is eight for his last 14 with four RBI and a home run. Norwood's numbers are frighteningly similar as he is eight for his last 15 with five RBI.

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Duke's J.J. Redick (4) leaps into the arms of Lee Melchionni as they celebrate the Blue Devils' 66-62 victory over Xavier.

## Final Four preview

**March Madness reaching its peak**

**BRANDON HUGHES**  
SENIOR WRITER

March Madness is finally over. The field of 65 teams has been whittled down to that elite group. The name is almost holy, grown men are as giddy as school children as March draws to a close. The month of April has arrived, and with it, the Final Four.

Duke, Connecticut, Oklahoma State and Georgia Tech fought through the Big Dance and are on their way to the Alamogordo Dome in San Antonio.

The Blue Devils cruised into the Sweet 16 after opening round wins over Alabama State and Seton Hall. The Blue Devils ran into some trouble, however, in the regional semifinal against Illinois. The Fighting Illini gave

Duke a dogfight before succumbing 72-62. Head Coach Mike Krzyzewski had his offense clicking as Duke shot over 50 percent through the first three games. All that changed when the Blue Devils met Xavier in the regional final. The Musketeers were a team nobody thought would be there after wins over Louisville, Mississippi State and Texas.

Xavier gave Duke all they could handle before falling 66-63, ending one of the most impressive runs in the tourney by any team. Luol Deng led the Blue Devils with 19 points, and it was his play at the end of the game that won it. The freshman nailed a three-pointer, set up J.J. Redick for a trey and converted an acrobatic tip-in, all in the waning minutes.

Several weaknesses have been exposed, and UConn should concentrate to exploit them in the national semifinal on

see FINAL FOUR page C5



## ECU softball prepares for Louisville

Lady Pirates look to improve their record

STAFF WRITER  
DAVID WASKIEWICZ

ECU's softball team will travel to Kentucky to face Louisville in a three-game series this weekend. The Lady Pirates will be looking to rebound from their latest 10-1 loss against DePaul last weekend.

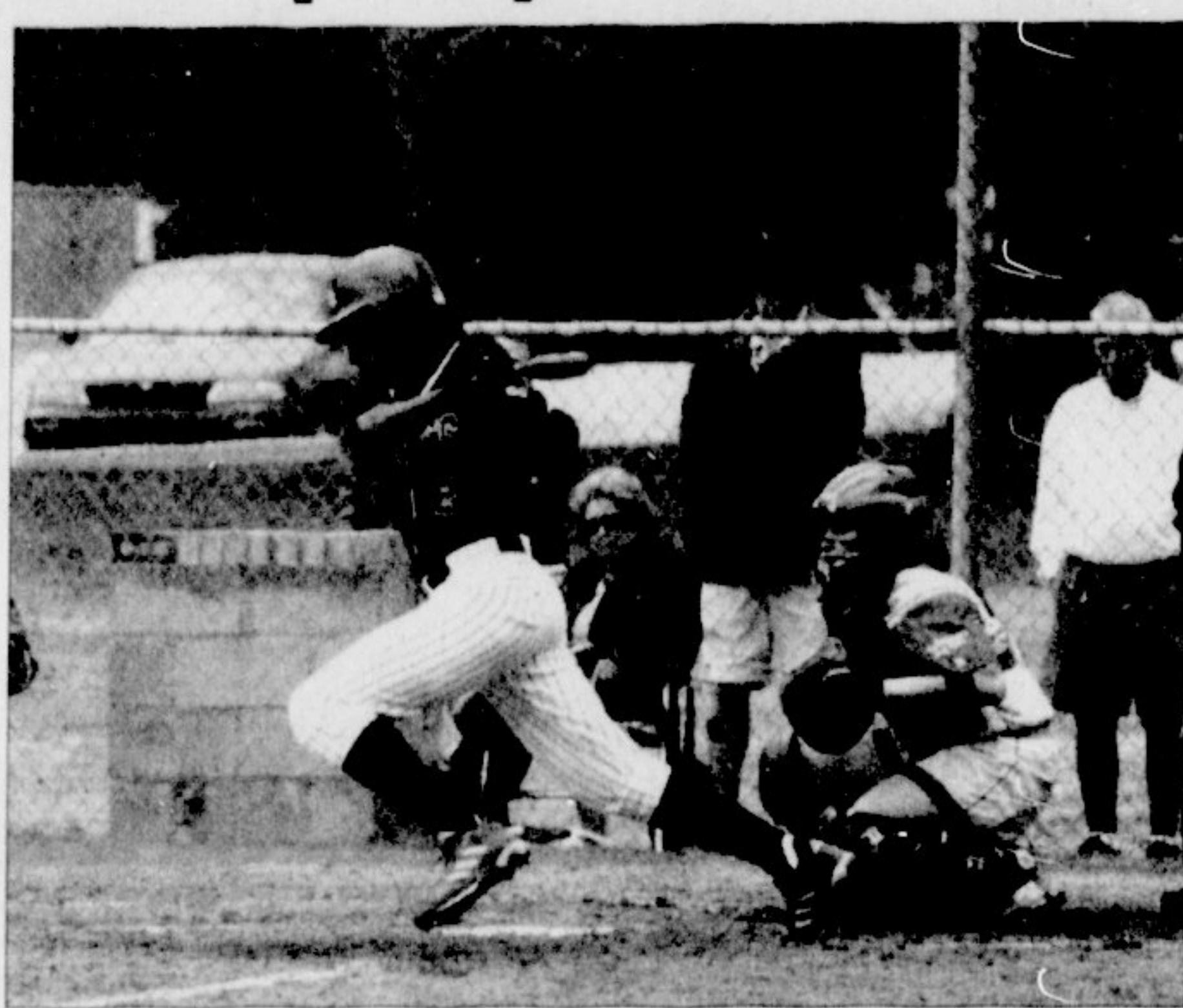
Three wins against Louisville would not only boost the team's confidence but it would also bring their overall record to 38-8-1 and their conference record to 7-5.

The Lady Pirates are currently batting an impressive .290 as a team this season.

Last week's Conference-USA hitter of the week, junior Kate Manuse, continues to lead the Pirates in batting with a .398 average and five homeruns.

Sophomore Christine Sheridan is right behind Manuse, batting .377 with three homeruns this season.

The pitching for the Lady



The Lady Pirates will reach almost 40 wins if they can take the series from the Louisville Cardinals this weekend.

Pirates has continued to remain impressive this year.

All three of ECU's pitchers have come through for the team so far this season as they have combined for an average ERA of 1.64.

Freshman pitcher Keli Har-

rell leads the team in strikeouts this year with 88 in 93.1 innings pitched and has an overall record of 10-1.

Getting three straight wins on the road against Louisville will not be an easy task for the Lady Pirates.

The Cardinals are currently coming off of a 5-0 no-hit shutout of UAB and are 24-10 overall and 7-2 in the conference.

ECU Head Coach Tracey Kee said one of the keys to beating Louisville this weekend is to first get some rest.

"We are going to take a couple of days off," said Kee after the team's 10-1 loss to DePaul.

"We have played about 43 games, so a couple of days off would be good right now. We have to get people healthy and get back to playing solid defense."

The Lady Pirates will open play against Louisville this Saturday at 1 p.m. with game one of a doubleheader.

Kee is well aware of the challenge that awaits her team.

"Louisville is playing great ball right now," said Kee.

"Any game that we can win against them would be great for our team."

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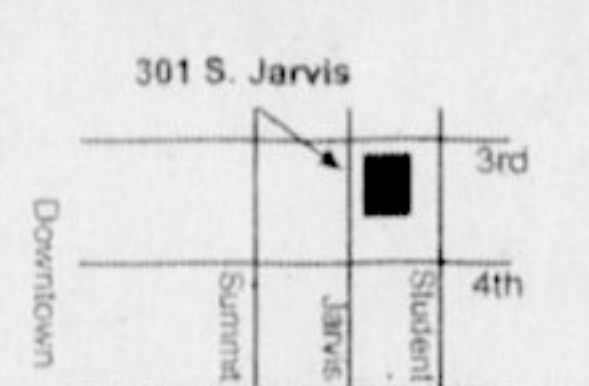
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## UConn men and women on a mission



UConn's Diana Taurasi

(KRT) — They're back on top, where they began.

The Connecticut Huskies, men and women, started the season on magazine covers, twin peaks prepared to reign over college basketball together. They go into this weekend's respective Final Fours as the favorites, in the same year for the first time, trying to become the first school to win men's and women's basketball championships in the same season.

On Tuesday afternoon at Gampel Pavilion, there was UConn center Emeka Okafor, back from his latest injury to his shoulder, pronouncing himself ready to go, shooting jumpers

alongside Ashley Valley, a reserve guard on the women's team. At the other end, cameras and tape recorders surrounded Huskies guard Ben Gordon. Women's assistant Chris Dailey talked to a couple of reporters nearby. Diana Taurasi, who shared preseason covers with Okafor, walked through.

"We tell them to keep their end of the deal," Okafor said. "They tell us to keep our end of the deal."

The surprise isn't that both teams are standing, but the travails they went through this season. The men, who face Duke on Saturday in the most-anticipated game of the tournament, began on top of the rankings, but fell quickly and never returned to the top, ending up second in the Big East regular season and a No. 2 seed in the tournament.

The women, defending national champions, with all their starters back, actually lost a couple of home games, including the Big East tournament semifinal, and also received a No. 2 seeding. They will face Minnesota, a 79-76 winner over Duke on Tuesday night.

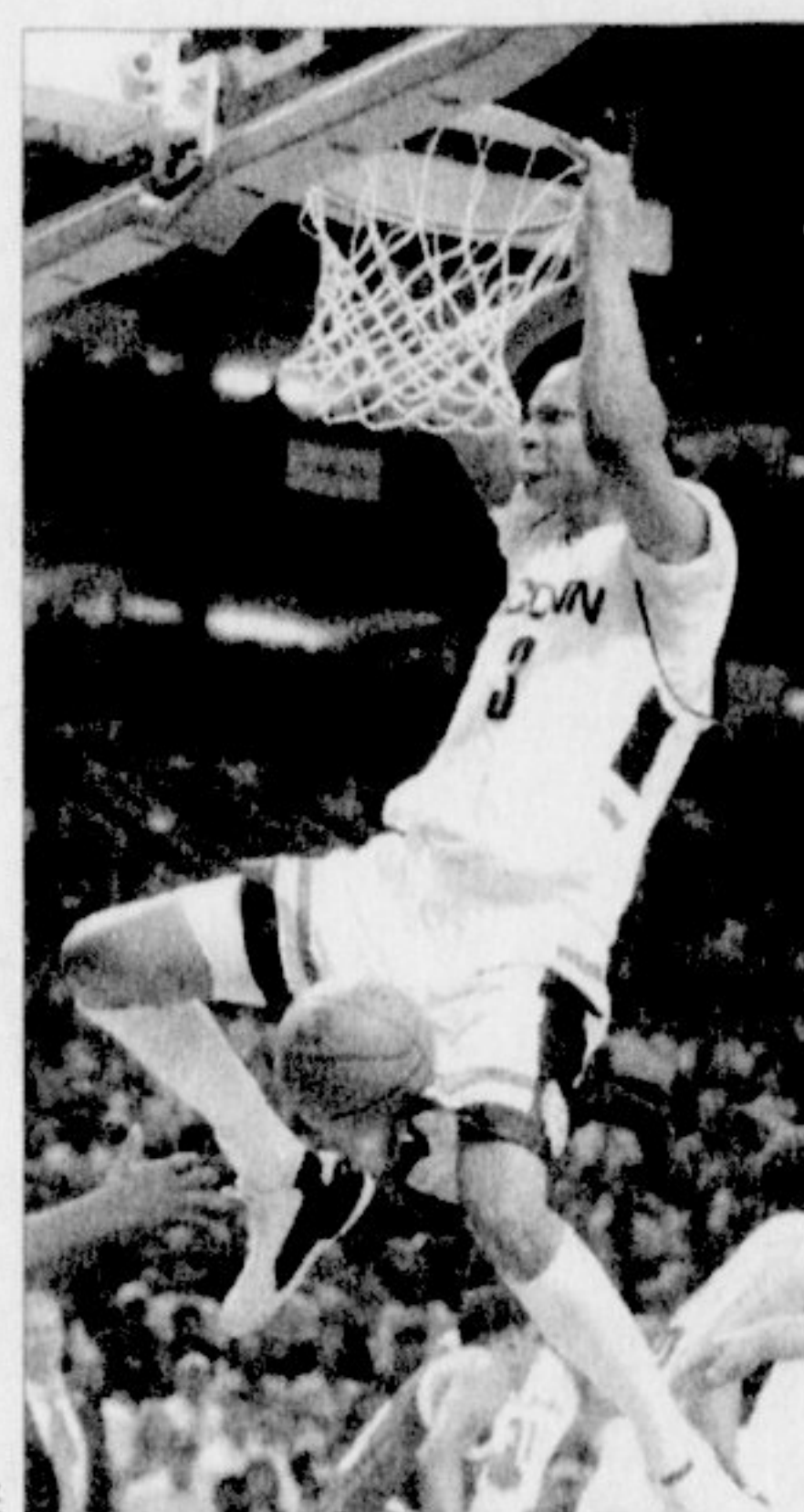
Both UConn coaches had their moments, where everybody agrees in retrospect that their

motivational techniques were effective.

"I had an idea, but it was difficult to go through," said top men's assistant George Blaney, himself a former Seton Hall head coach, remembering the time Jim Calhoun was just about over the edge during a Feb. 18 game against Miami.

"He went bonkers. I think I understood what he was doing," Blaney said. "He just went ballistic on the sidelines, to show the players what emotion was. That's why he did it. Everybody criticized him after the game. He went over the top. But this was a very emotionless team. Then he got them in the locker room and told them why he did that."

Blaney figures every team has four or five defining moments "and a defining moment can go either way" and he actually thought the Huskies had a couple of defining moments in Philadelphia, playing Villanova 10 days after the Miami explosion. It wasn't just that the Huskies had come back to beat Villanova, 75-74, in overtime after getting outplayed most of the way. One defining moment came in a huddle, when UConn point guard Taliek Brown jumped all over teammate Hilton Arm-



UConn's Charlie Villanueva

strong. None of the players had been doing that kind of thing all season.

"Taliek got on somebody and everybody responded," Blaney said.

On Tuesday at Gampel, it all seemed like business as usual. "Everything is not complete," sophomore Rashad Anderson said.

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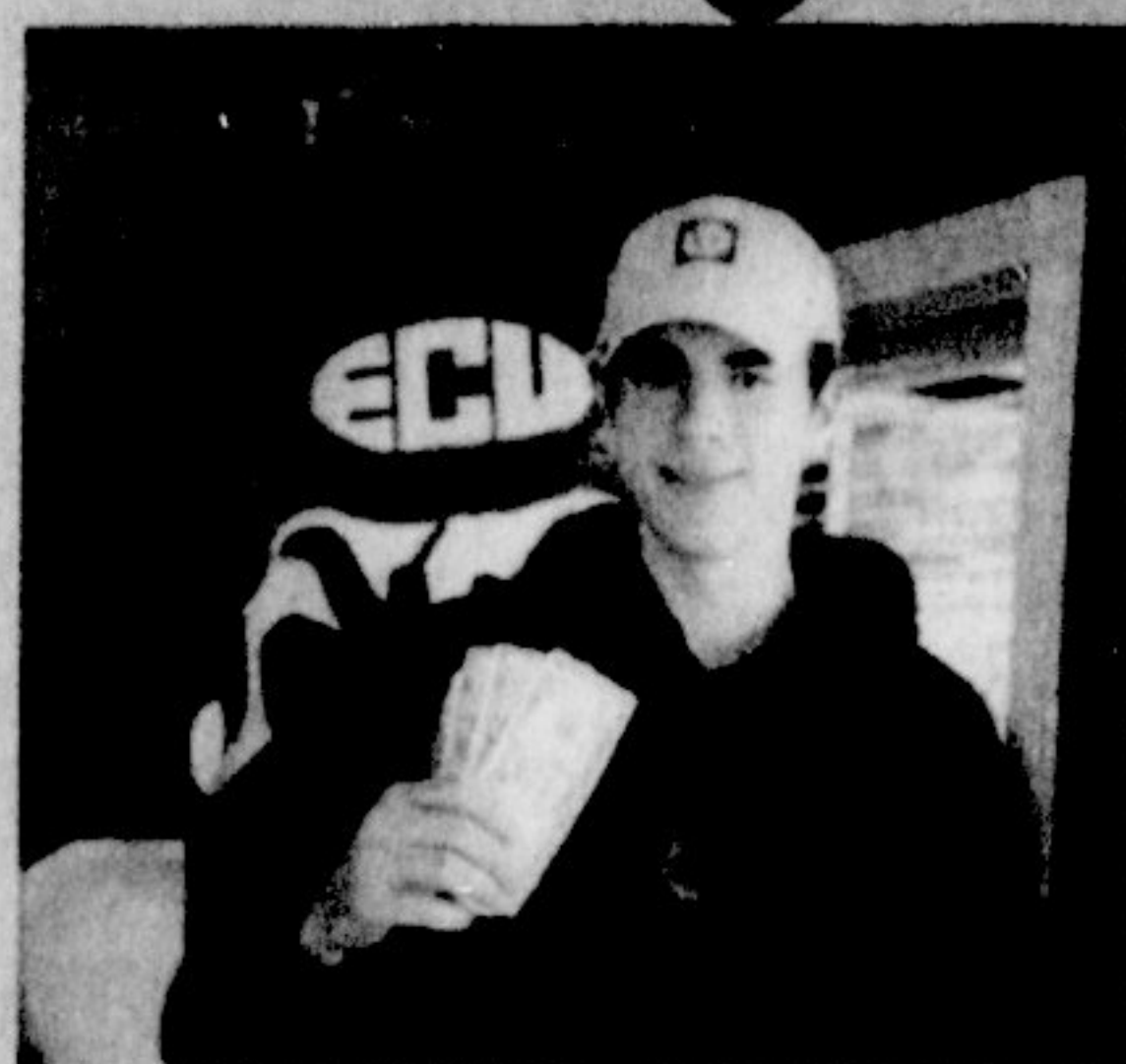
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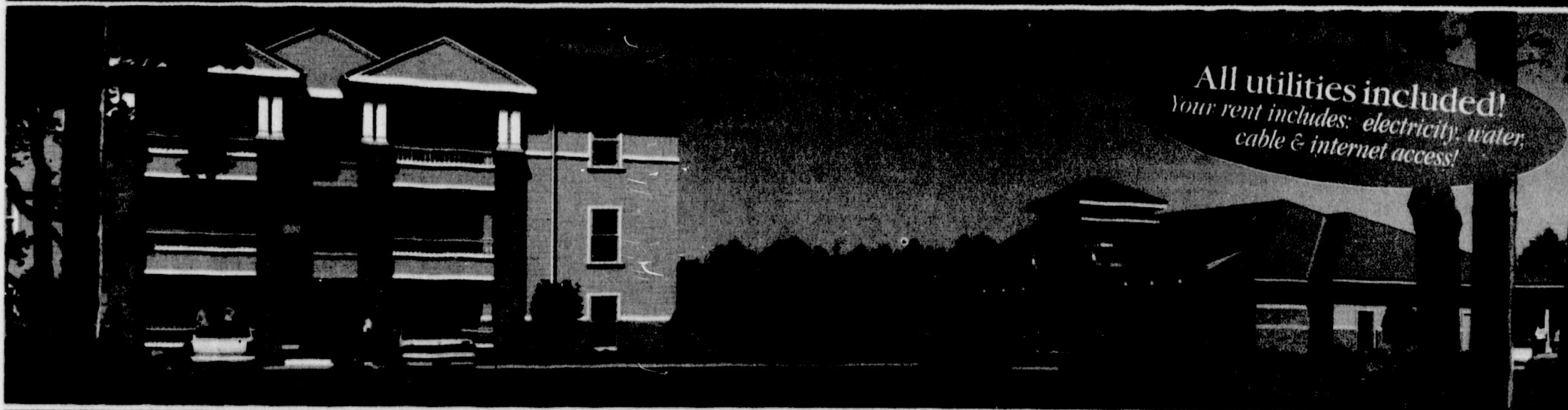


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## Final Four from page C1



Georgia Tech Head Coach Hewitt cuts down the net following the Yellow Jackets' 79-71 overtime victory over Kansas.

Saturday, Duke's depth has been an issue, especially when Williams gets in foul trouble. Sophomore Shavlik Randolph may be the key for the Blue Devils. He has the talent and strength but looks timid at times. He has the athleticism to put up 15 points and eight rebounds but could also score three points with three rebounds like his performance against Xavier.

### UConn

Connecticut dominated Vermont, DePaul, Vanderbilt and Alabama on their way to the Final Four. The Huskies were many experts' pick to go all the way in the preseason, and UConn is now making believers out of its doubters.

UConn jumped all over Alabama in the first half with a 53-29 advantage at the half and cruised into the Final Four. Ben Gordon and Rashad Anderson scored 36 and 28 points each.

The big question for the Huskies is the health of their unanimous All-American center Emeka Okafor. Okafor suffered a back injury before the tourney and clearly hasn't been the same player. He scored just two points in 19 minutes against Alabama. Okafor is averaging 10.0 points per game in the NCAA tournament after averaging 17.4 in the regular season.

UConn must have Okafor ready to make a difference on the offensive end if the Huskies want a championship.

### Oklahoma State

John Lucas hit the biggest shot in school history when his three-pointer lifted the Cowboys over No. 1 seed St. Joseph's in the regional final. Lucas scored 19 points, including the last-second trey, in Oklahoma State's 64-62 win.

Oklahoma State reached that point by taking out East-

ern Washington, Memphis and Pittsburgh.

Lucas has been the key to the Cowboys' impressive season. The junior guard averaged 15.2 points and 4.6 assists this year. Tony Allen and Joey Graham also averaged double figures in scoring.

Like Duke, Oklahoma State's Achilles heel could be depth. The Cowboys play seven or eight, but just five are legitimate offensive threats.

The Cowboys could also have trouble on the boards against Georgia Tech's 7-footer Luke Schenscher. Ivan McFarlin leads the team in boards with just 6.7 rebounds a contest.

### Georgia Tech

As if there was any doubt the ACC was the best conference, the Yellow Jackets joined Duke in the Final Four setting up a possible ACC showdown for the national title.

Georgia Tech certainly had the toughest road to San Antonio. The Jackets beat Northern Iowa 65-60 and Boston College 57-54 in the opening rounds. Nevada nearly pulled off an upset before Tech rallied to win by five points.

Jarrett Jack scored a career-high 29 points as the Yellow Jackets needed overtime to beat Kansas 79-71. Clarence Moore and Luke Schenscher were also in double figures.

While depth is a weakness for other teams in the Final Four, it is Tech's strength. Head Coach Paul Hewitt played eight guys more than 10 minutes in the win over Kansas, but B.J. Elder played just 12.

The junior guard suffered an ankle injury and his effectiveness will be a big question mark. Elder averaged over 15 points per game during the regular season.

Schenscher will also be a big key for Hewitt. The 7-foot, 1-inch Australian center played 39 minutes and scored 15 points against Kansas. Schenscher was ineffective early in the season, but blossomed midway into a solid player. Tech will need his post presence in order to beat Oklahoma State.

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## Students start Club Wrestling team

Team looks for full schedule this fall

ERIC GILMORE  
STAFF WRITER

This is no April Fools joke. Students have formed and started a wrestling team at the club level. Equivalent to a junior varsity squad, the team will begin a full schedule in the fall semester.

Students Mike Davanco and Warren Gheen founded the team. Davanco was the force behind the team.

Mike felt the need for ECU to have a club wrestling team considering ECU is one of the last teams in the state to form a team.

However, ECU had a team in the early 1970s. The team folded due to lack of participants, but ex-wrestlers are still scattered throughout the community.

The team, which consists of 13 wrestlers, practices three times a week at J.H. Rose High School.

Practices take place every Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 5 p.m.-7 p.m.

Davanco and Gheen both share in coaching and organizing practices.

"We are still looking for people to come out," said Davanco. "We would ideally like to have about 20 to 25 wrestlers."

"We are going to be at freshman orientation [recruiting]. We are throwing out ideas about having a Purple-Gold scrimmage."

Davanco and Gheen got things together about mid-semester and are hoping to get in a few matches before the summer arrives.

"We just got things started in the middle of the semester so we are still trying to get some matches in before school ends," Davanco said. "We are looking into playing NC State."

"We want to be competitive and have fun too. It's a lot of work, but it's fun to bring [the team] back."

### Wrestling Info

For more information on the wrestling club email the club at [ecuwrestling@mail.ecu.edu](mailto:ecuwrestling@mail.ecu.edu).

The NCWA would be the governing body for club wrestling teams.

The organization would hold weigh-ins and state and national tournaments. There would be 11 weight classes just like any other college wrestling team.

Unless one plans to wrestle on the NCAA level, there is no place for these kids to go after participating in high school wrestling.

Fortunately, Davanco and Gheen have started a way that will allow these athletes to further fuel their passion for wrestling at a higher level.

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## Greenville Debut

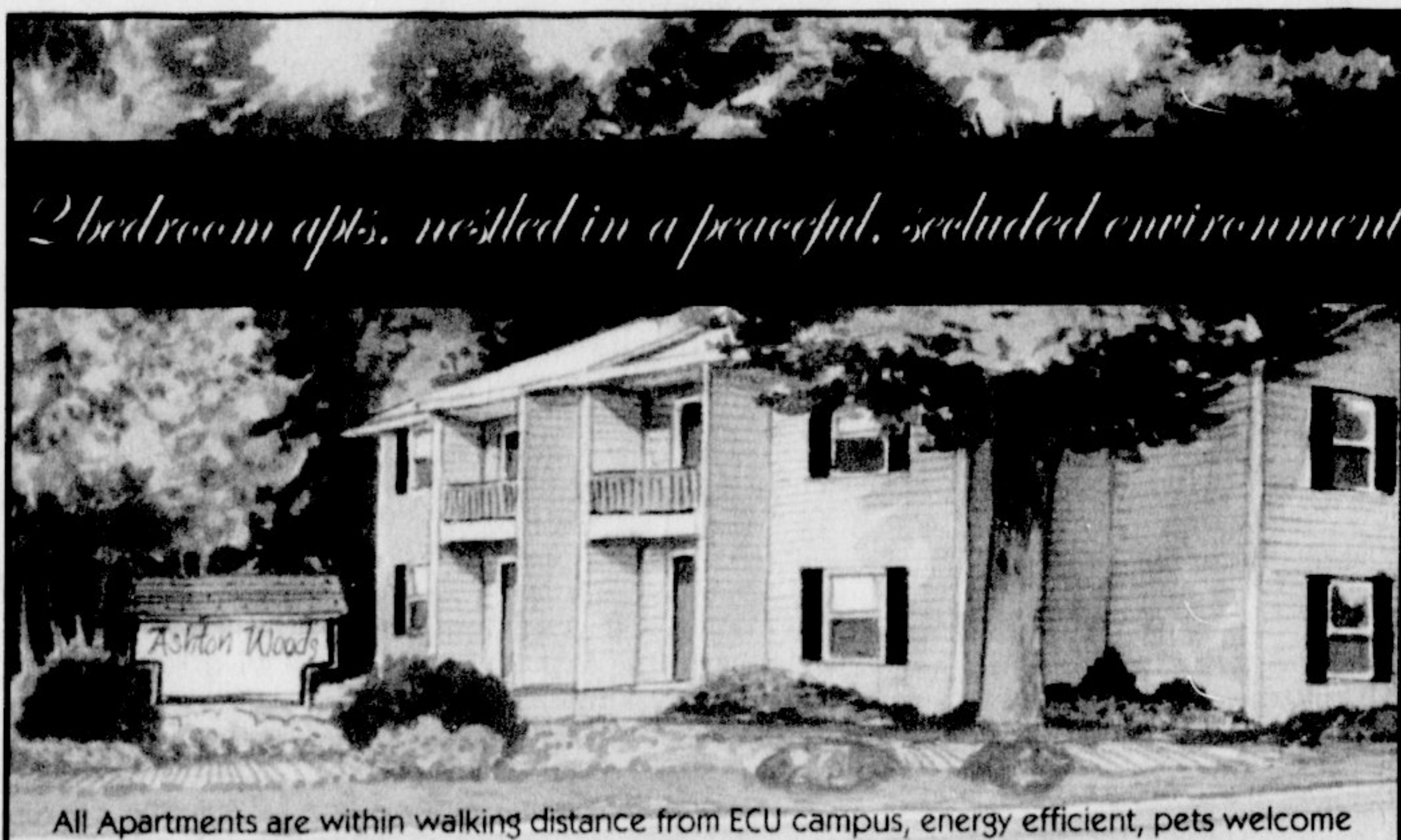


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## Yankees feel jolt to their senses

(KRT) — At the end of the Ginza subway line, in a corner of the world that cannot be more alien than the spot where baseball launched Opening Day, there is a temple enshrining a golden image of the Buddhist Kannon, goddess of mercy. Tens of thousands come to Senso-ji daily for their ritual cleansing.

At the mouth of the sacred gazebo is a large incense cauldron billowing smoke. People stand in front of it; they rub smoke through their clothes and inhale deep breaths of fragrant fumes, praying for a healthy renewal.

If their bodies weren't drained, if they already weren't walking zombies and could be assured the ever-present paparazzi would not follow (no chance of that), the Yankees might have dragged themselves to Senso-ji late Tuesday night. As cures go, it surely beat staring at the hotel walls, wondering what massive upheavals George Steinbrenner might be planning.

Pity the poor soul who had to make the Boss' breakfast Tuesday morning after he woke in Tampa at sunrise to watch his \$180 mil-

lion band of superstars diddle and fizzle. Imagine eggs Benedict flying, return visas being canceled, Joe Torre's extension papers getting ripped to shreds.

Think that's an exaggeration? Steinbrenner has thrown tantrums over the way the curtains hang in Yankee Stadium. On the scale of things that matter, very little topples losing to the Tampa Bay Devil Rays, 8-3, in the season opener, before a world-wide audience, and with Don Zimmer chortling on the opposing Tokyo Dome bench.

The Japanese have a word for this. Hazukashii. Oh, the shame. How else to explain those Boss-issued, discombobulated statements about Tommy Tune?

Nothing in this blip of a time warp was familiar, beginning with "RICOH," the monstrous Japanese corporation, stenciled in can't-miss letters along every participant's sleeve. The Devil Rays, with their tiny payroll of \$29 million, have little to lose by selling their souls. The Yankees can't afford to think this 7,500-mile journey is all about selling merchandise and spread-

ing good will.

A single flat, abysmal, embarrassing opener hardly makes or breaks a season, even in Steinbrenner's myopic mind. Still, it was impossible not to wonder what happened to the team that flashed its giant rings in Roppongi dance clubs and smiled breezily through zillions of appearances while little ol' Tampa Bay, the Washington Generals of baseball, went unloved and unnoticed.

Torre's lineup card had eight All-Stars plus Enrique Wilson. Piniella's had one All-Star who happened to be a former Yankee. Just when the familiar ring of "Let's go Yank-ees" began picking up speed, Tino Martinez chose a fine time to collect his 300th career homer.

"Sounded like we made the fans cheer for us, too," said Martinez.

He owns a couple of giant rings himself, and knows something about Steinbrenner's wrath. "It's their problem now," said Martinez, tilting his head to the other side of the Dome, where the samurai swords were being locked up tight.

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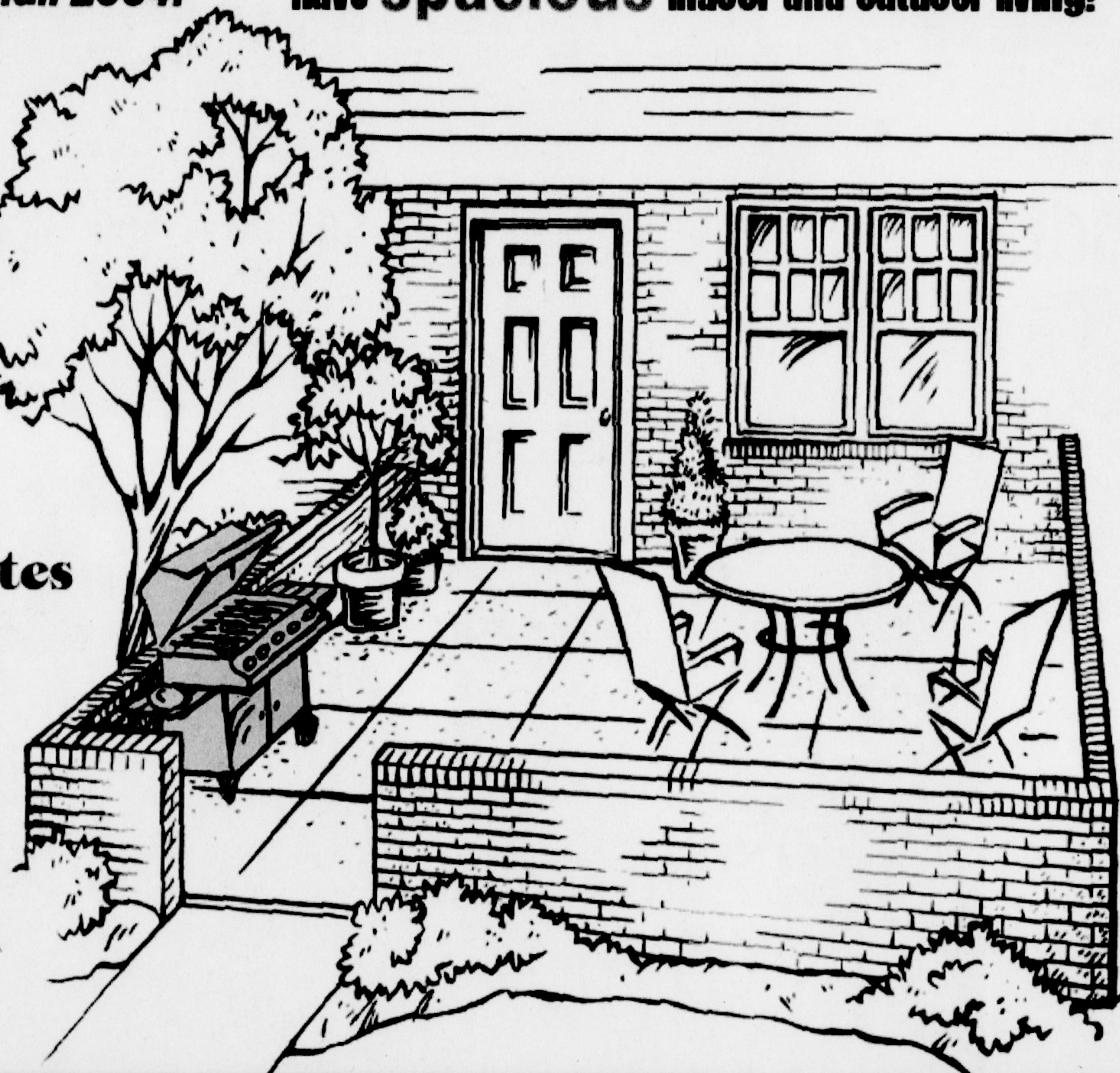
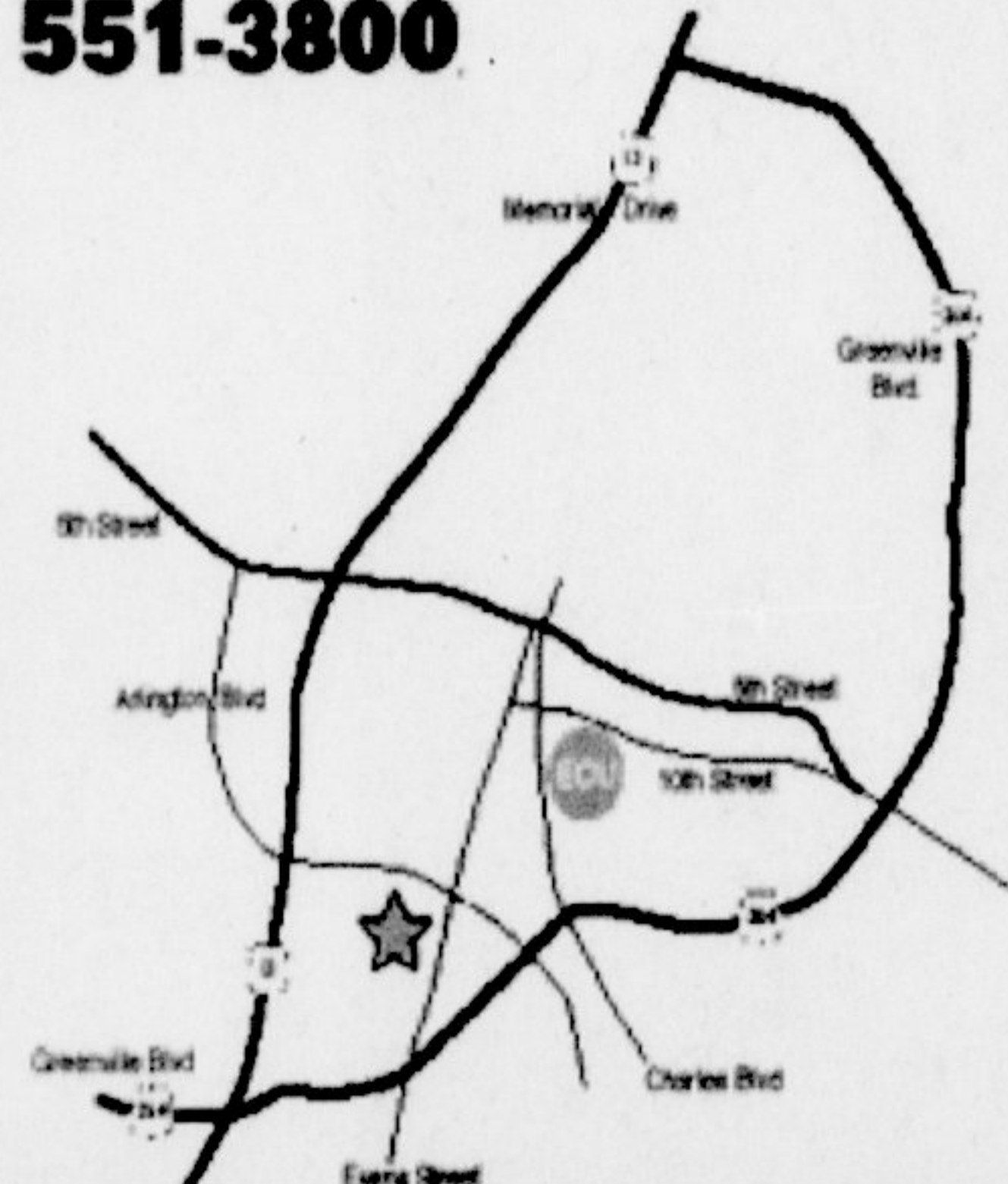
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Program	Time	Location
4/6 Golf Singles/Doubles Registration	11am-3pm	4/12-128
4/21 Frisbee Golf Tournament	10am-6pm	Frisbee Course

## FITNESS

Program	Location	Reg.
4/6 Workouts that Travel	SRC Classroom	Begins 3/1
4/18-5/8 FREE Group Fitness Classes	See Schedule	N/A

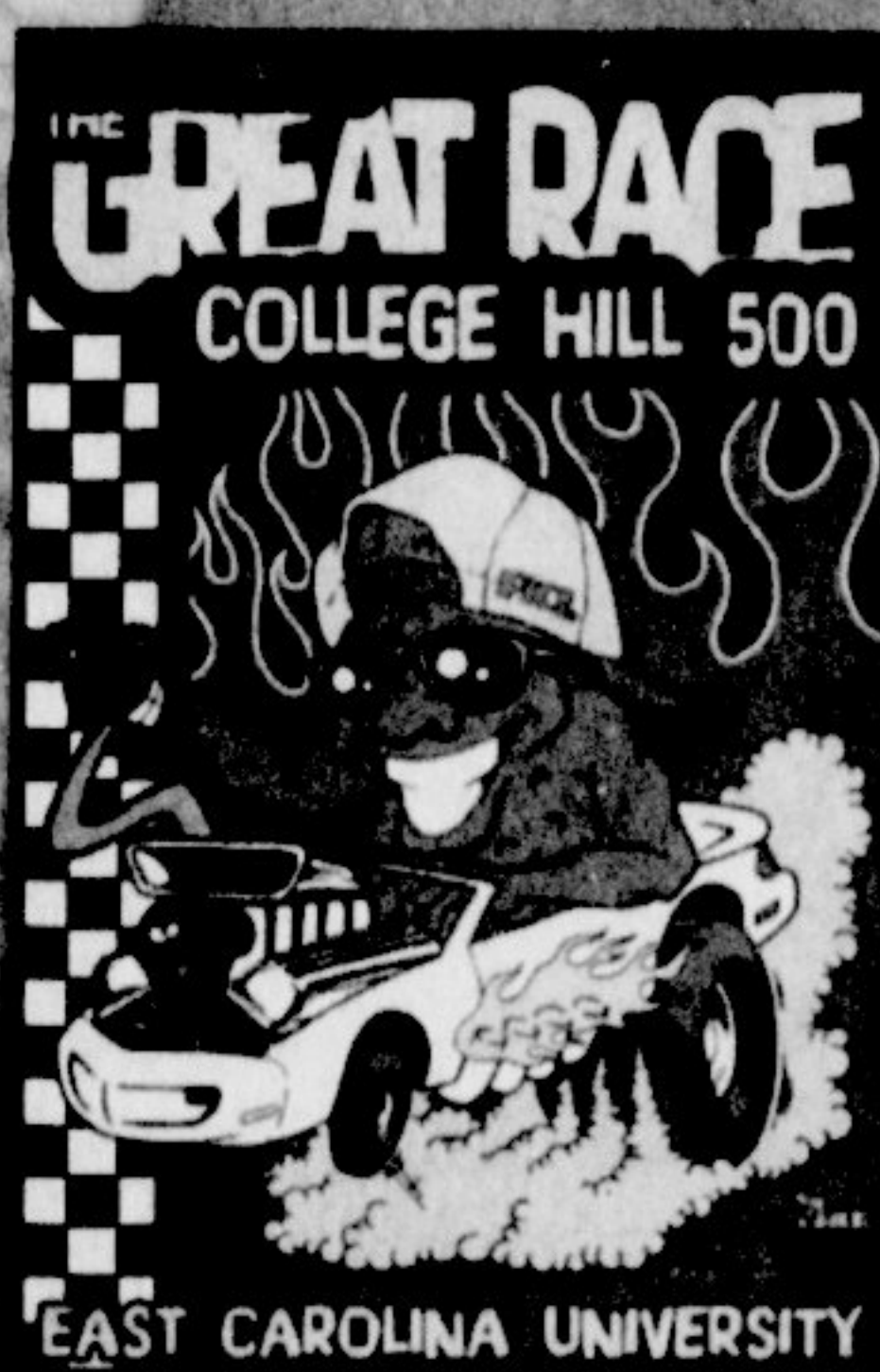
## ARISE

Program	Time	Location
Wheelchair Basketball	6-7pm	SRC Sports Forum
4/3 Beep Baseball	12p-3pm	4/3 Fields
4/5 ARISE Comm. Meeting	10am-12pm	SRC Classroom
4/6 Aqua Exercise	10am-11:30am	4/6 Swimming Pool
4/14 Goalball	10am-12pm	4/14 Fields
4/15 Hand Cycle	10am-12pm	4/15 Rotunda
4/17-18 Camping	10am-12pm	4/17-18 Washington, NC
4/20 Aqua Exercise	10am-11:30am	4/20 Swimming Pool
4/21 Golf	10am-12pm	4/21 Williams Arena

## ADVENTURE

Topic	Group	Pre
3/26		
3/26		
4/8-11 Advanced		
4/8-11 Backpacking		
4/16 Tar River Canoe		
4/17-18 ARISE Camping Week		
4/17-18 Board & Boat Surfing		
Masonboro Island		4/13
4/18 Climbing Pilot Mtn.	4/9	4/13
4/23-4/25 Sea Kayak-Canoe		
Shackleford Island	4/16	4/20
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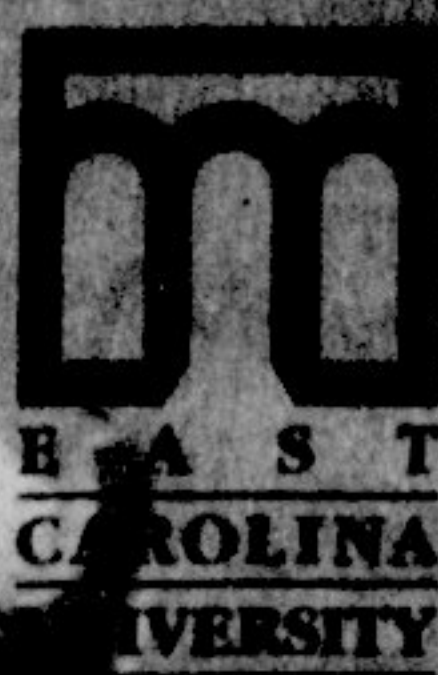
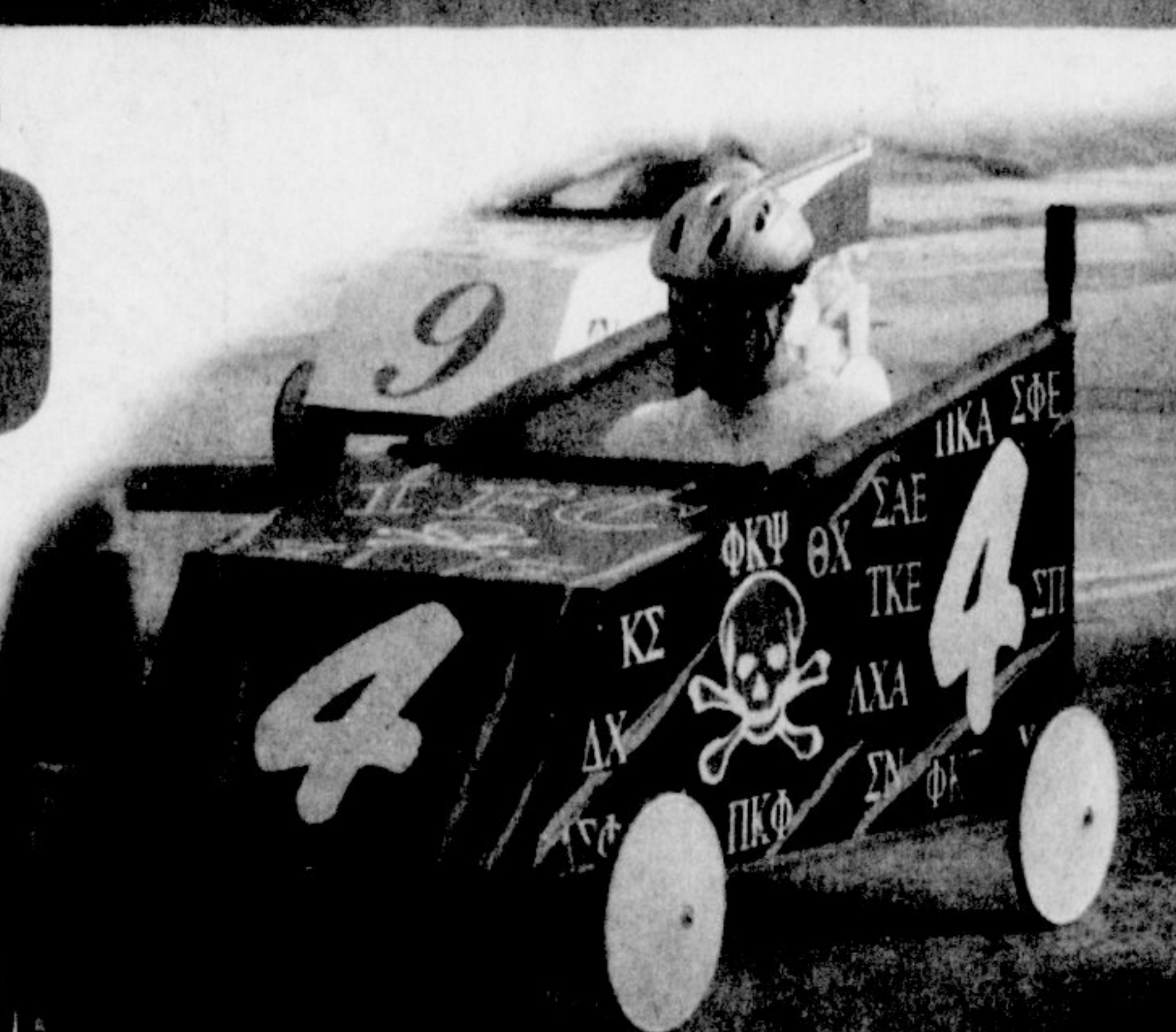
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