



Pirates jump in national rankings

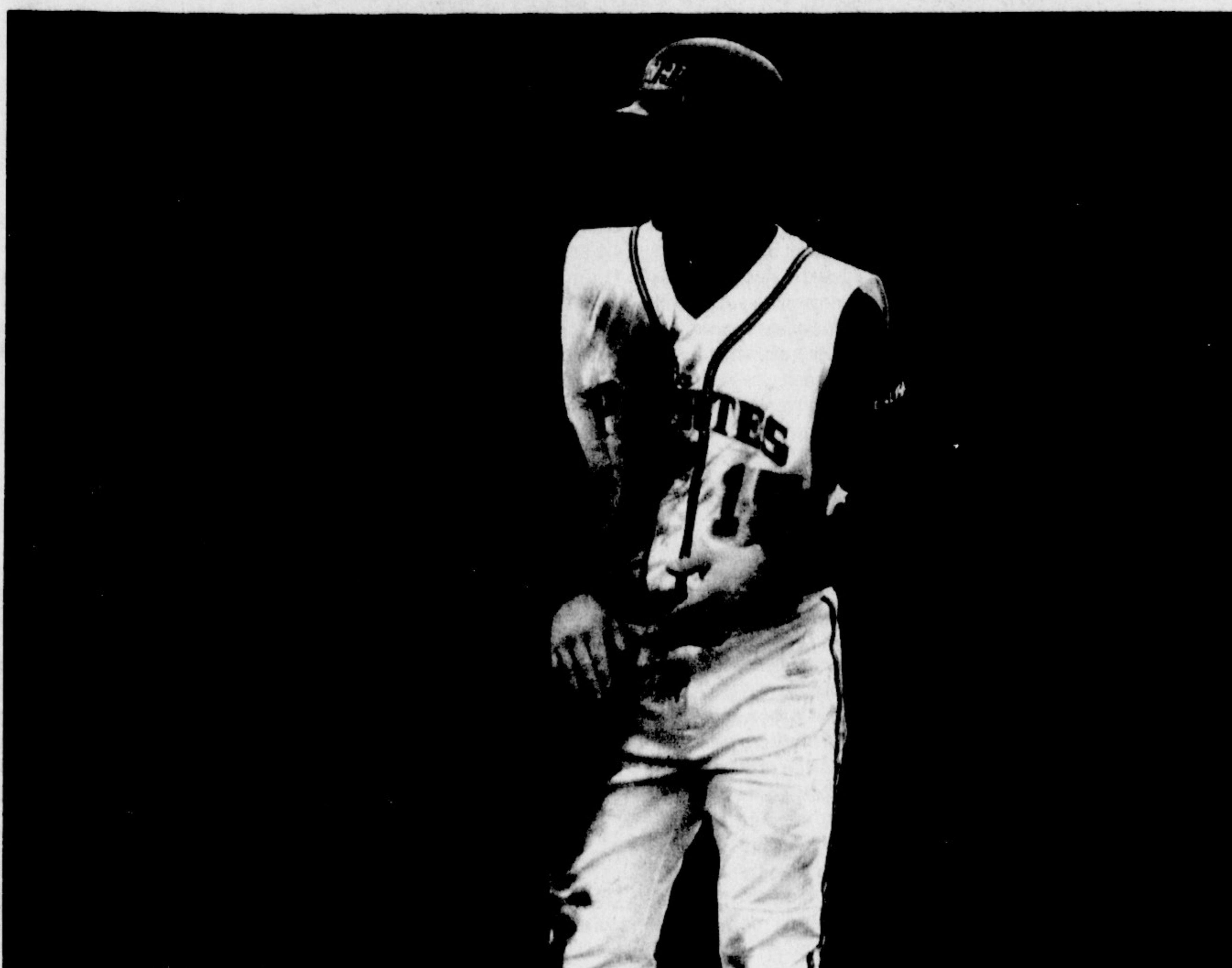


Photo by Kyle Fisher

Amid a hard-fought game, senior John Poppert prepares to run. The Pirates rose from number 18 to number 17 in the national rankings after trampling UNC-Charlotte in a three-game weekend series. See page A8 for the full story.

Ticket One plans for fall semester

New executive board focuses on accountability, student involvement

LUKE SPENCER
STAFF WRITER

Rather than relaxing after the grueling campaign process and an election victory, all four members of Ticket One are excited to begin laying the groundwork for what they hope will be an active and responsive administration come fall.

"We were all just really excited," said President-elect Shannon O'Donnell.

"Elections are never easy on any level, but we had a lot of help with our campaign, and I would just like to say 'thank you' to everyone who made this possible."

The elected executives put their campaign promise at the front of their agenda.

"We believe that accountability is most important," said Secretary-elect Jackie Lambertsen.

"We want to keep students informed so they can become more active in campus issues that affect all of us."

Members of Ticket One said they hope to increase student involvement in the Student Government Association by attracting "new blood" to campus politics.

They said they plan to accept resumes and have open interviews for their cabinet positions, instead of appointing acquaintances.

"We want to send the message that this is student government, and if you aren't here for the students, if you're here to pad your resume, to climb the 'SGA corporate ladder,' whatever, your services will no longer be needed," O'Donnell said.

Ticket One is currently planning to implement several new items to improve the quality of students' experience.

They plan to speed up SGA funding requests for campus organizations by starting online requests, which they hope will take days to process, instead of weeks.

They are developing a relationship with the Web site, www.pickaprof.com, which they hope will allow students to accurately judge the quality of potential instructors based on their peers' comments.

"Once these online programs are up and running, students and organizations will get faster and higher quality service from SGA," said Treasurer-elect Brad Greaver.

However, they all stressed the most important thing is planning. "The most important thing



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TREASURER



JACKIE LAMBERTSEN
SECRETARY

for us right now is to re-plan the upcoming semester so when fall comes, we can really hit the ground running," said Vice President-elect David Herndon.

"Elections are hard work, but that phase is over, so now we just want to clear our heads, take a deep breath and start working on what's really important."

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Roads top city residents' concerns

Results from survey by ECU professor, students

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Information obtained by ECU students about Greenville residents' opinions of the city's quality of life was presented to city officials Monday night.

Ken Wilson, Ph.D., sociology professor, relayed the results of a student-powered survey to the Greenville City Council. The survey was commissioned by the council to judge whether voters would support a bond referendum that would fund road construction, downtown redevelopment, a 45-block revitalization plan and improvements in storm drainage.

The random sample survey of 185 voters asked participants what the most important city issue is and whether or not they would support related projects. Efforts to develop Greenville's roads were deemed the most important, and 82 percent of respondents said they would support measures toward that goal.

According to the survey, the 45-block revitalization project in

West Greenville and downtown redevelopment ranked second and third, respectively. The topics switched in order of support, with 80 percent in favor of downtown improvements and 65 percent supporting the revitalization.

Wilson said the surveying gave his students an opportunity to measure real, important issues. However, he told the council the results were only a foundation.

"We're taking a snapshot here - what we're showing now is what people think today," said Wilson.

"... I just don't get the feeling from the interviews that it's rock solid."

To pay for the bonds, which could reach a vote in November, the council may be forced to raise property taxes.

About one-fourth surveyed said 'no' to all property taxes, while three-fourths said 'yes,' though taxes raised above 7 cents had little backing.

Greenville Mayor Don Parrott said the survey's information was "very valuable." Comparing it to a 1990 survey, he noted Greenville residents had changed their priorities.

Eight percent said public recreation was a concern then, con-



Council members listen to results of citizens' opinion poll.

trasted to 85 percent supporting the issue in 2004.

In a separate presentation to the council, Chair of the Greenville Chamber of Commerce Henry Hinton requested \$50,000 to bring the eastern regional high school basketball and football games. The cost would fund schools' traveling and related expenses.

"Frankly, from a visitor's standpoint, sports is who we are," said Hinton.

Hinton presented results of a survey conducted by a UNC-Chapel Hill professor measuring the economic impact of two

football games on a city. Revenue totaled \$355,000.

Hinton said hosting the high school competitions could lead to bigger things for Greenville athletics.

"We've got to crawl before we walk, walk before we run," Hinton said.

Hinton proposed the creation of a sports authority, similar to those in Raleigh and Hickory, to report to the City Council and procure similar opportunities for Greenville, recently named *Sports Illustrated's* Sportstown of

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Greenville begins changing water purification method

City will switch from chloramines to chlorine

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Greenville's water supply will undergo a few changes this month to ensure quality.

Greenville Utilities began changing the purification method of city water to chlorine usage rather than chloramines Sunday, but the process is not due to be finished until May 2.

"People shouldn't be alarmed about the changes," said Barret Lasater, plant manager of Water Resources Department for Greenville Utilities.

"This is part of a normal pro-

cess in maintaining our system and to make sure that we supply safe drinking water to the customers."

There may be a slight change in the taste and color of the water. It may have a bit of a chlorine taste to it, but it is safe for drinking, bathing, cooking and everyday use.

If there is discoloration in the water, allowing the bathtub faucet to run for 5-10 minutes should clear up the problem.

Lasater said the only people who need to take precautions are those who are on the kidney dialysis machines and fish owners. Be sure to remove all chlorine from machines and aquariums.

Greenville Utilities also started conducting "Operation Spring Clean" Sunday, but this

process will not be complete until June 11.

The operation will open fire hydrants to clean the water distribution system. Residents are asked to avoid washing clothes during the period when their lines are being cleaned.

About 25 percent of U.S. public water systems used chloramine for decades to disinfect the water.

Chloramine is a disinfectant agent consisting of ammonia and chlorine that kills potentially harmful bacteria and viruses.

In December of 2002, Greenville Utilities switched from chlorine to chloramine because chloramine lasts longer, forms fewer disinfection by-products and poses less health

risk than chlorine.

Under the new health standards of the Environmental Protection Agency's Safe Drinking Water Act, Greenville Utilities is mandated to use a treatment process to remove contaminants that may have possible disease causing microorganisms.

Because chlorine is a stronger disinfectant, switching back to it assures there is a proper disinfectant being distributed throughout pipelines.

The treatment process will consist of adding chemicals to settle the water and a primary disinfectant of Ozone to kill any harmful bacteria or viruses.

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Dan Crouse, marketing major, drinks from a water fountain on campus before a new purification method begins.

Sexual Assault Awareness throughout April

- People in households with incomes of \$15,000 or less are three times more likely to be raped or sexually assaulted.
- The relationship between the rape survivor and the offender breaks down like this: relatives - 11 percent, well-known - 35 percent, casual acquaintance - 21 percent, stranger - 33 percent.



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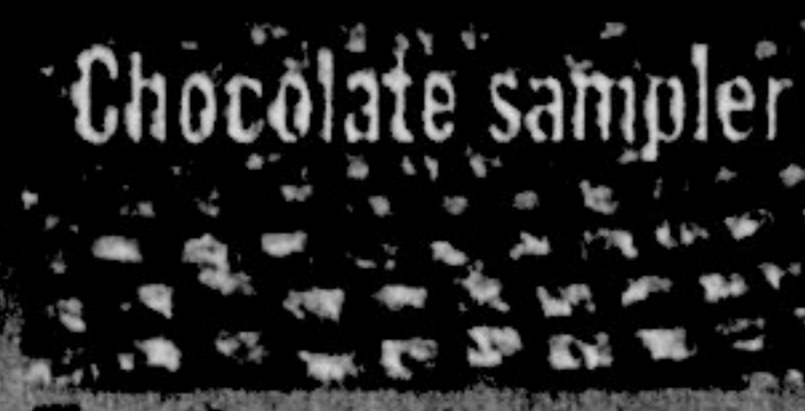
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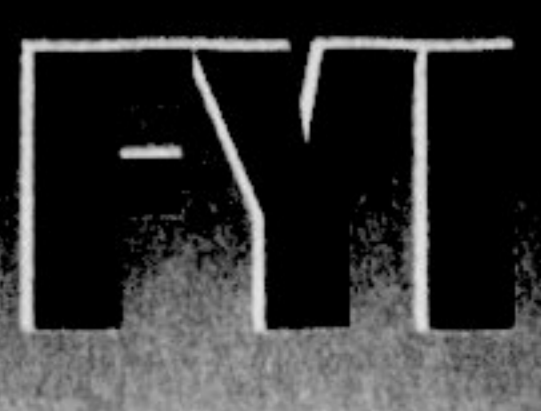
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Palestinians might not get a state for many years as a result of Israel's unilateral "disengagement" plan.



Chocolate sampler
TEC looks at the health benefits of chocolate, which can protect against heart disease and cancer.



Sports page A8
With a combined score of 45-18 in three games, the Pirate baseball team pounded the Charlotte 49ers.



FYI
Don't forget: Registration for summer sessions and fall 2004 semester is currently open.

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Announcements

Summer and Fall Registration

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

Chemistry Seminar

Roger LeBlanc, Ph.D., from the University of Miami presents a seminar titled, "Quantum Dots: Immobilization and Surface Chemistry Studies," at 1 p.m. in 346 Science and Technology Building.

Food Safety Lecture

The College of Health and Human Performance presents the first annual Bernard E. Kane Jr. Lecture on Food Safety, titled, "The History of Food Safety," from 12:30 p.m. - 1:30 p.m. in 144 Science and Technology Building. Suzanne White Junod, Ph.D., from the Food and Drug Administration will speak. The lecture will be streamed live at <http://gcweb.tecs.ecu.edu/ehst5001/default.asp>.

Integration Lecture

In celebration of the 50th anniversary of the *Brown v. Board of Education* decision, The College of Education features William A.C. Polk speaking about his role in the integration process in the McKeesport Area School District in Pennsylvania. The lecture will be Wednesday at 6 p.m. in 129 Speight.

Peace Workshop

Learn how to resolve conflicts peacefully and respectfully at the SENIOR'S Elite workshop, Wednesday from 4 p.m. - 6 p.m. in 244 MSC.

PT Massage Clinic

Students in the Physical Therapy Program will provide massages Wednesday from 5 p.m. - 9 p.m. on the first floor of the Belk Building. The cost is \$5 for 10 minutes, \$10 for 20 minutes and \$15 for 30 minutes. Patients receive \$1 off with an ECU student or faculty ID. No appointment is necessary.

State Holiday

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

Business Ownership Workshop

Learn how to get started in business at an introduction to business ownership workshop Wednesday, April 14 from 5:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. in the Willis Building Auditorium.

Deadline

Wednesday, April 14 is the last day for graduate students to drop courses without grades.

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.

Adviser's Appreciation Reception

A reception honoring student advisors will take place Thursday, April 15 from 4 p.m. - 6 p.m. in the Mendenhall Great Room 3. Students can nominate any advisor at ECU.

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.

Deadline

Thursday, April 15 is the last day to submit thesis to the graduate school for completion of a degree in the current term.

Social Justice Institute

NPR broadcaster and author Juan Williams will speak in recognition of the 50th anniversary of the *Brown v. Board of Education* decision Thursday, April 15 from 7 p.m. - 8 p.m. in the Mendenhall Great Room. Tickets are required but free at the Central Ticket Office in MSC.

Integration Discussion

In celebration of the 50th anniversary of the *Brown v. Board of Education* decision, historian David Dennard, Ph.D., political analyst Tinsley Yarborough, Ph.D. and attorney Robert White will discuss the historical, political and legal landscapes of the state before and after the decision. The discussion will be Tuesday, April 20 at 3 p.m. in 221 Mendenhall.

Oratorical Exhibition

The School of Communication sponsors an oratorical exhibition Thursday, April 22 at 6:30 p.m. in Wright Auditorium, featuring the best speakers in COMM 2410 and 2420.

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.

Education Graduate Fair

The College of Education will hold a graduate programs fair Saturday, April 24 from 9 a.m. - noon at the Speight Building. Information will be available for students who wish to pursue a graduate degree for work in educational settings or obtain alternative licensure. Registration and reception begin at 8:45 a.m.

Commencement Registration

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

Paper Person

The student featured at the top of today's paper is Alison Pettigrew, freshman undecided major.

News Briefs

Local

ECU recognized in annual U.S. News magazine rankings

The Brody School of Medicine at ECU has again been recognized in the annual listing of the nation's best graduate schools by U.S. News & World Report magazine. The school is ranked 19 in the listing of top schools emphasizing primary care medicine. The school also ranked 4th in the rural medicine specialty listing and 15 in the new family medicine specialty listing. In addition, the rehabilitation counseling graduate program at the ECU School of Allied Health Sciences ranked 15 in the nation for the third year in a row. The rankings of U.S. graduate schools were available on newsstands yesterday. In medicine, the magazine considered the 125 accredited U.S. medical schools and 19 schools of osteopathic medicine. Last year, the School of Medicine was 46 in the overall rankings of top primary care schools. In specialty rankings, it was 5 in rural medicine.

Bush acknowledges state's pain during visit

CHARLOTTE, NC (AP) - President Bush spoke Monday to a community college job-retraining program, acknowledged the wrenching economic changes North Carolina is undergoing as manufacturing jobs flee the state. In a 50-minute speech at Central Piedmont Community College, just outside downtown Charlotte, the president noted that the textiles and furniture industries have both seen huge job losses as companies seek lower-wage production in other countries. "I fully understand that there are people who hurt here. Industries like the textiles and the furniture manufacturers are struggling, and

that is an issue that we've got to deal with," he said.

More than 2.8 million manufacturing jobs have been lost nationwide over the past three and half years. In North Carolina, the twin pillars of textiles and furniture have gone into free fall.

Among states with a significant number of manufacturing jobs, North Carolina leads the nation in the percentage of those jobs lost since 2000, with the 162,800 jobs representing nearly 22 percent.

National

Kennedy assails Bush on domestic policies

WASHINGTON (AP) - After months of attacking President Bush's policy on Iraq, Sen. Edward M. Kennedy turned his focus to domestic issues, saying the administration has misled the public about the economy, health care and education. "As a result, this president has now created the largest credibility gap since Richard Nixon," Kennedy said in a speech Monday at the Brookings Institution, a think tank. "He has broken the basic bond of trust with the American people."

The Associated Press obtained an advance copy of the address. The senator said the government has cut unemployment benefits, failed to pay for education overhaul and is spending \$134 billion more than expected on a Medicare plan.

Kennedy has been taking on Bush as one of the most fervent supporters of John Kerry, the Massachusetts senator who is the presumptive Democratic nominee for president. The attack on the administration's domestic agenda comes after several high-profile speeches in which Kennedy called the war in Iraq a "fraud" and said the plan to oust Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein was devised to help Republicans in the 2002 and 2004 elections. Kennedy said in the Brookings

speech that the war diverted attention from "the administration's deceptions here at home."

Four alleged victims of former priest Paul Shanley settle with church in civil case

BOSTON (AP) - The lawyer representing four alleged victims of former priest Paul R. Shanley said a settlement has been reached with the Archdiocese of Boston in a civil case, but vowed the criminal case against the one-time street priest would continue.

"It's not over until Paul Shanley is in jail," attorney Roderick MacLeish Jr. said early Monday morning. He said the settlement was reached about 11 p.m. Sunday.

MacLeish, who declined to reveal the size of the settlement at the request of his clients, said a joint statement by his office and church leaders was to be released Monday.

Calls to the archdiocese and its spokesman, the Rev. Chris Coyne, were not immediately returned. The four alleged victims and their families refused to sign onto a massive \$85 million settlement with the church last September. Shanley, once known for his street ministry to gay and troubled youth, has pleaded innocent to charges of raping the four in the Boston suburb of Newton in the 1980s. He was released on \$300,000 bail last December, and is awaiting trial.

World

U.S. forces seal off Fallujah ahead of major operation

FALLUJAH, Iraq (AP) - Hundreds of U.S. and Iraqi troops in tanks, trucks and other vehicles surrounded the turbulent city of Fallujah on Monday ahead of a major operation against insurgents following the grisly slayings of four American security

contractors last week. Explosions and gunfire could be heard coming from the center of the city. Streets on the outskirts were largely deserted.

One U.S. Marine was killed in fighting in the area Monday, said Lt. Col. Gregg Olson, commander of the 2nd Battalion, 1st Marine Regiment.

U.S. commanders have been vowing a massive response to pacify Fallujah, one of the most violent cities in the Sunni Triangle, the heartland of the anti-U.S. insurgency north and west of Baghdad.

After the slayings of the Americans on Wednesday, residents dragged the four bodies through the streets, hanging two of their charred corpses from a bridge, in horrifying scenes that showed the depth of anti-U.S. sentiment in the city.

U.S. troops closed off entrances to Fallujah with earth barricades ahead of the planned operation, code named "Vigilant Resolve." Military patrols entered the outer suburbs on reconnaissance missions and to broadcast warnings on loud speakers to residents to stay indoors until Tuesday.

Indonesians vote as ex-dictator's party expects gains

JAKARTA, Indonesia (AP) - Indonesians voted in legislative elections Monday with the party that once supported ex-dictator Suharto expected to win the most seats - a result likely to hurt President Megawati Sukarnoputri's re-election prospects.

It was Indonesia's second free parliamentary election since Suharto's ouster amid pro-democracy protests six years ago.

Security was tight across the world's most populous Muslim nation, which is fighting separatist rebellions and Islamic militants who have mounted deadly attacks, including the October 2002 bombing of two Bali nightclubs that left 202 people.

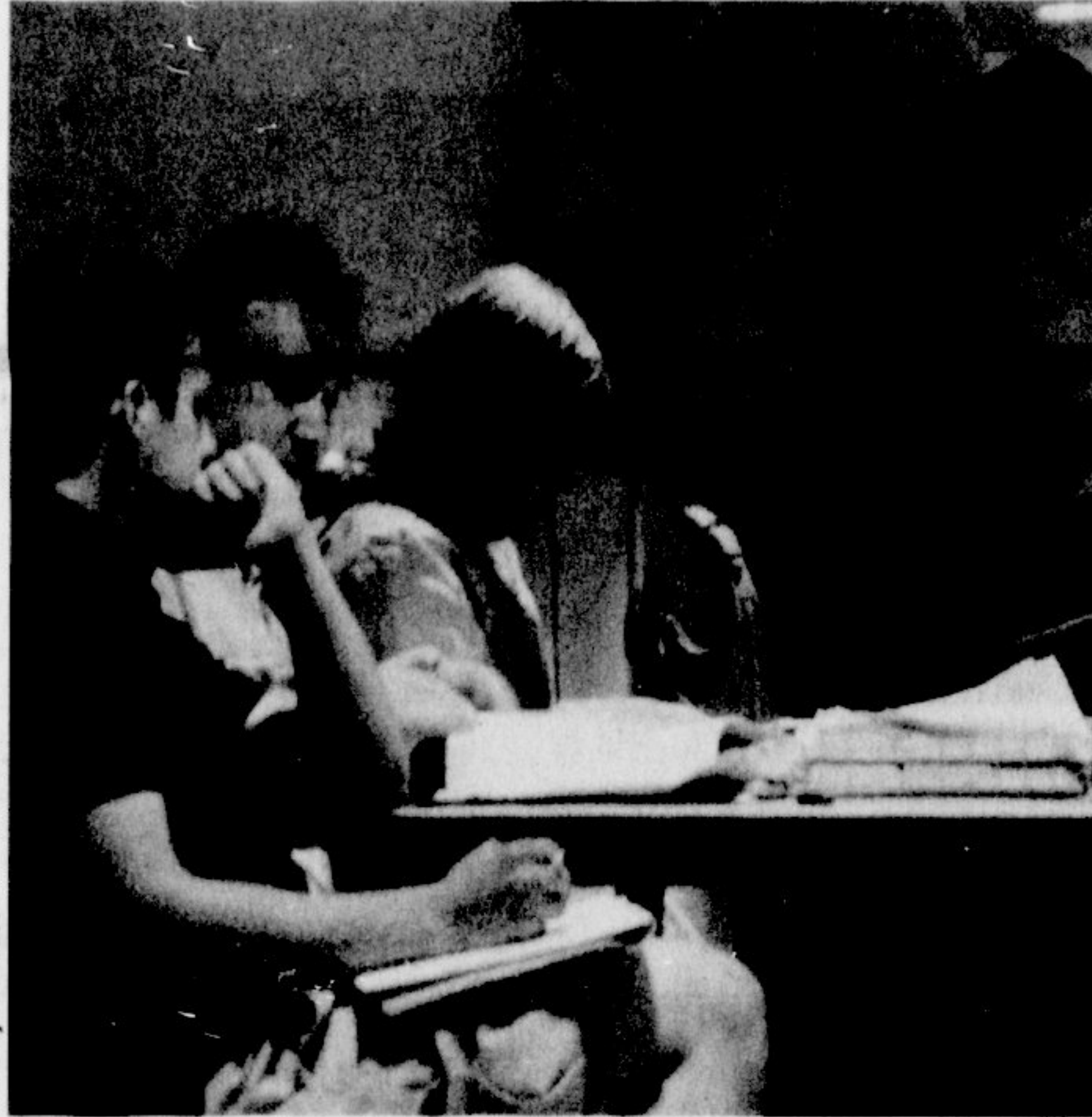


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SGA proposes removing Student Union from homecoming 2004

Senators OK resolution for exam reading day

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The SGA Senate introduced a resolution Monday night to have the Student Union removed from competing in homecoming events for their three-year victory monopoly.

"It is not fair that the Student Union sponsors judges and competes in all homecoming competitions," said Sen. Michael Fust.

Senators expressed concern that if they removed the Student Union, they should also remove themselves since the SGA is a sponsor.

Fust said because the Student Union monopolizes homecoming victories, it discourages other organizations from participating.

The resolution was not passed at the meeting and was referred back to committee.

In a separate discussion, Maria Bruner, junior social work

major, introduced a resolution for reading day.

"Students need to be given a day where they have the opportunity to study for exams without having to worry about writing papers and projects," said Bruner.

Shannon O'Donnell, student body president-elect who served on the Calendar Committee, said reading day is on the calendar until the 2005-06 academic year.

The Senate then passed the resolution.

Senators also heard comments from Elections Chair April Paul concerning the mishaps with the SGA election last week.

Paul said the election was only one day due to technical difficulties and that there is an ongoing investigation.

Paul said the Election Committee would work on revisions to the election rules and establish a precedent for sanctions and enforcement.

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the Year.

"We don't have a beach; we don't have a mountain. People are going to come to Greenville and visit us because of sports," Hinton said.

The council agreed to vote on the regional games during Thursday's meeting, and if supported, to pursue help from Pitt County.

Recognizing the short

session of North Carolina's General Assembly begins March 10, the council approved "non-controversial legislature" to be considered for approval. Included in this session's proposals was a request for funding of a cardiovascular center headed by ECU and Pitt County Memorial Hospital.

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Young Children who watch TV may be at risk of developing attention problems

CHICAGO (AP) — Researchers have found that every hour preschoolers watch television each day boosts their chances — by about 10 percent — of developing attention deficit problems later in life.

The findings back up previous research showing that television can shorten attention spans and support American Academy of Pediatrics recommendations that youngsters under age two not watch television.

"The truth is there are lots of reasons for children not to watch television. Other studies have shown it to be associated with obesity and aggressiveness" too, said lead author Dr. Dimitri Christakis, a researcher at Children's Hospital and Regional Medical Center in Seattle.

The study, appearing in the April issue of Pediatrics, focused on two groups of children — aged 1 and 3 — and suggested that TV might overstimulate and permanently "rewire" the developing brain.

The study involved 1,345 children who participated in government-sponsored national health surveys. Their parents were questioned about the children's TV viewing habits and rated their behavior at age 7 on a scale similar to measures used in diagnosing attention deficit disorders.

The researchers lacked data on whether the youngsters were diagnosed with attention

deficit disorders but the number of children whose parents rated them as having attention problems — 10 percent — is similar to the prevalence in the general population, Christakis said. Problems included difficulty concentrating, acting restless and impulsive, and being easily confused.

About 36 percent of the 1-year-olds watched no TV, while 37 percent watched one to two hours daily and had a 10 percent to 20 percent increased risk of attention problems. Fourteen percent watched three to four hours daily and had a 30 percent to 40 percent increased risk compared with children who watched no TV. The remainder watched at least five hours daily.

Among 3-year-olds, only 7 percent watched no TV, 44 percent watched one to two hours daily, 27 percent watched three to four hours daily, almost 11 percent watched five to six hours daily, and about 10 percent watched seven or more hours daily.

In a Pediatrics editorial, educational psychologist Jane Healy said the study "is important and long overdue" but needs to be followed up to confirm and better explain the mechanisms that may be involved.

The researchers didn't know what shows the children watched, but Christakis said



Studies say every hour preschoolers watch television, the risk of developing attention problems increases by 10 percent.

content likely isn't the culprit. Instead, he said, unrealistically fast-paced visual images typical

of most TV programming may alter normal brain development.

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Israeli ministers confront Sharon over withdrawal plan

JERUSALEM (AP) — Palestinians might not get a state for many years as a result of Israel's unilateral "disengagement" plan, Prime Minister Ariel Sharon said in interviews published Monday, providing more details of his proposal to withdraw from all of the Gaza Strip and four West Bank settlements.

Sharon also said Israel is no longer bound by a pledge to the United States not to harm Yasser Arafat, saying the Palestinian leader and the head of Lebanon's Hezbollah guerrillas, Hassan Nasrallah, are potential targets for assassination.

The prime minister gave wide-ranging interviews

to the Yediot Achronot and Haaretz dailies, as well as Israel Radio and Israel Army Radio, ahead of the weeklong Jewish holiday of Passover, which begins at sundown Monday.

Israeli security forces were on high alert for the holiday, with reinforcements deployed at outdoor markets, malls and synagogues. The military banned all Palestinians from entering Israel to try to ward off attacks. The tight closure is to remain in effect at least until Israel's Independence Day, April 26, officials said.

Sharon said the withdrawal plan is a "deadly blow" to the Pal-

estinians and that he would not coordinate with them — an apparent response to ultra-nationalist critics who have accused him of succumbing to Palestinian violence.

"In the unilateral plan, there is no Palestinian state. This situation could continue for many years," Sharon told Yediot.

Sharon has said repeatedly that the Palestinians would receive more land in a negotiated settlement. However, he insists he does not have a Palestinian partner, accusing Palestinian Prime Minister Ahmed Qureia of not confronting militants.

Palestinians charge the with-

drawal plan is a ruse to trade Gaza for a permanent grasp over most of the West Bank. Sharon's remarks Monday further raised Palestinian suspicions.

"If he cancels the partnership between us and the Israeli government, then it's a deliberate attempt by him to postpone or delay the creation of the Palestinian state," said Palestinian Cabinet minister Saeb Erekat.

The Palestinians say they welcome any withdrawal, but that it must be coordinated with them and be carried out as part of the U.S.-backed "road map" peace plan, which envisions a Palestinian state by next year.

The prime minister said he plans to evacuate all 21 Israeli settlements in Gaza and four in the West Bank. He said a patrol road between the Gaza Strip and Egypt would remain under Israeli control for the time being.

Sharon said he would seal off Gaza after a withdrawal, at least initially.

"At the moment, the plan is to evacuate all the (Gaza) settlements, to prevent the Palestinians from operating ports and to keep the border with Egypt under our authority," Sharon told Yediot.

"In my opinion, it would be best to disconnect from all the territory."

Sharon did not explain how Gaza would function in such a situation. He said Israel would continue supplying water and electricity, but said the flow might stop in the event of a major Palestinian attack on Israelis.



Israeli Prime Minister Ariel Sharon claimed he was no longer sticking to his pledge not to hurt Yasser Arafat. Sharon said the Palestinian leader could be targeted for assassination.

Spain makes another arrest in Madrid terrorist bombings

MADRID, Spain (AP) — Authorities announced another arrest in the Madrid terror bombings Monday and sent police to patrol subway and bus stations, as a newspaper said a group linked to al-Qaida threatened to turn Spain into "an inferno."

Court officials said the arrest came Saturday in Ceuta, a Spanish enclave on the Moroccan coast. No details were given on the man's identity or possible role in the March 11

train attacks, which killed 191 people.

Another suspect whose weekend arrest was also announced Monday has been released after questioning, officials said.

The arrest raises to 16 the number of people in custody, including six charged with mass murder.

Interior Minister Angel Acebes confirmed Monday that one of those killed in a suicide blast Saturday in an

apartment south of Madrid was Moroccan Jamal Ahmidan, a prime suspect in the bombings.

At least five terror suspects are believed to have died in the explosion, along with a special forces officer.

One of the suspected terrorists has yet to be identified. Sarhane Ben Abdelmajid Fakhret, a Tunisian believed to be the overall leader of the attacks, was among those killed, Acebes said.

Fear of more violence prompted authorities to order police to patrol the city's subway and bus stations while civil guards and army units continued checking the country's rail system.

A subway station on a line leading to the airport stopped luggage check-in services as a precaution.

Acebes said police found 22 pounds of dynamite and 200 detonators in the apartment where the suspects blew themselves up.

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Our View

In February, Seiler claimed that she was attacked by an unknown assailant and left unconscious. There is no psychiatric excuse for this type of desperate cry for attention.

A missing college student, Audrey Seiler, was found alive in a marsh a couple miles away from her apartment building on Wednesday.

Seiler claimed she was kidnapped from her apartment, tied up and taken to the marsh. After finding her, police found inconsistencies in her story, concluding that the whole event was a hoax.

Surveillance tapes show Seiler buying a knife, duct tape, rope, gum and cold medicine from a local convenience store. Police found maps of wooded areas and their weather forecasts saved on her computer.

Why would an intelligent, well-liked college student fake her own disappearance?

Police spent an estimated \$70,000 on canines, planes, boats and overtime to search for Seiler. It is upsetting that someone would fake a kidnapping and have her family, friends and the community concerned about her well-being.

In February, Seiler claimed that she was attacked by an unknown assailant and left unconscious.

She was not sexually assaulted and she was not robbed. Could Seiler have been lying about that attack, too? We think so, especially since nothing was taken from her.

Seiler should be charged for her crime. Because she planned her own kidnapping - down to the supplies used - we view this intelligent, well-liked girl as negligent, senseless and inconsiderate.

She's wasted money that should have been spent on search efforts for real victims and the conviction of their kidnappers.

Although Seiler is now in a psychiatric hospital, she should be found guilty and punished. There is no psychiatric excuse for a desperate cry for attention.

The goal of the TEC Opinion page is to evoke discussion as well as action on topics pertinent to the ECU community.

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In My Opinion

Israel assassinates founder, spiritual leader of Hamas

Palestinians vow revenge

PETER KALAJIAN
STAFF WRITER

After five failed attempts, the Israeli military was successful this week in assassinating Sheik Ahmed Yassin, the founder and spiritual leader of Hamas.

As he rode in a motorcade through Gaza City, the sheik, who is blind and confined to a wheelchair, was killed in a massive explosion along with several aides when a missile fired from a hovering Israeli helicopter struck his vehicle.

As the spiritual leader and founder of the pro-Palestinian group, Hamas, Yassin had long been considered the mastermind behind some of the deadliest suicide bombings in Israel since the beginning of the second Intifada nearly four years ago.

Unfortunately for the Israeli government, Ariel Sharon has just committed what will probably prove to be the worst military miscalculation of his career. Israel needs to prepare herself to reap the whirlwind.

I fail to see how assassinating one old man is worth the perhaps dozens of Israeli civilians who will be killed in the impending wave of retribution suicide bombings from an enraged Hamas leadership.

In the aftermath of the assassination, Israel has expelled all Palestinians from her borders and closed all checkpoints in and out of the occupied territories.

Some would say that assassinating a man opposed to the very existence of the Israeli state and who was no doubt involved in a number of deadly suicide bombings on Israeli soil is justified - and maybe they're right.

The Israeli Defense Forces has been trying to assassinate Yassin for some time.

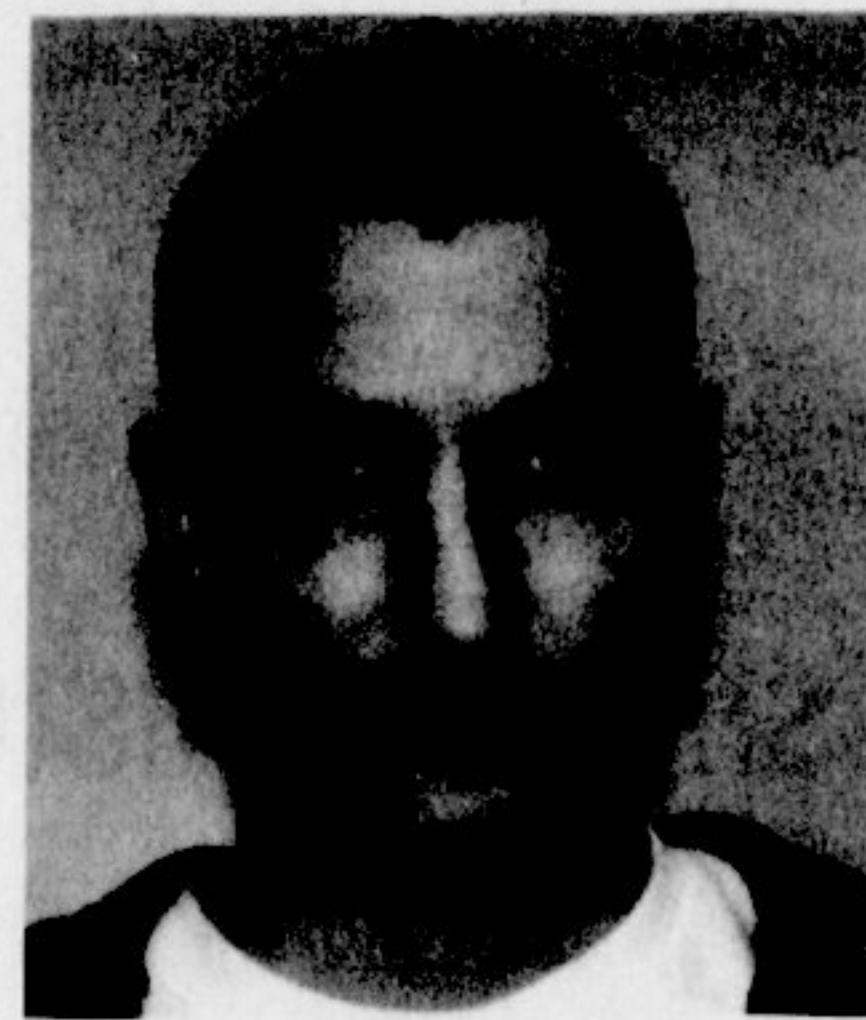
He has survived two car bombings and several other varied assassination attempts.

Sharon and the rest of his hard-line government thought that killing this man, who is a symbol of the Palestinian struggle for freedom to so many, would somehow stem the tide of young Palestinian militants coming to Israel to blow themselves up.

I fear the opposite will be true.

By refusing to give an inch in negotiations to end the bloodshed and terrorizing innocent Palestinians on a daily basis, Sharon and his government cronies have ensured that retribution for the sheik's murder will be swift and fierce.

Already, militant groups within the occupied territories have begun launching mortars into Israeli settlements and the Lebanese group, Hezbollah, has implemented attacks against Israeli border patrols, killing a number of



soldiers.

These attacks are only the beginning.

Since the inception of the State of Israel in 1948, the Israeli Government, bolstered by sophisticated military equipment and training from Great Britain and the United States, implemented a system of intimidation and control over the Palestinians which has continued to this day.

Even in their own lands, Palestinians are forced to produce identification at the whim of young Israeli soldiers, most of whom have grown up learning to hate and fear their Arab neighbors, and Israeli foot soldiers regularly sack Palestinian houses looking for "terrorists."

Where Tel Aviv has buses and western cars lining the streets, Gaza has Israeli tanks and troops transports.

Palestinians live in fear and poverty, most of which is imposed upon them by Israel.

All the while, the Israeli government is exploiting these people as slave laborers, importing tens of thousands of Palestinians every day to work at jobs that most Israelis consider beneath them.

Palestinians are bus drivers and janitors, construction workers and menial laborers, making significantly less money than their Jewish counterparts.

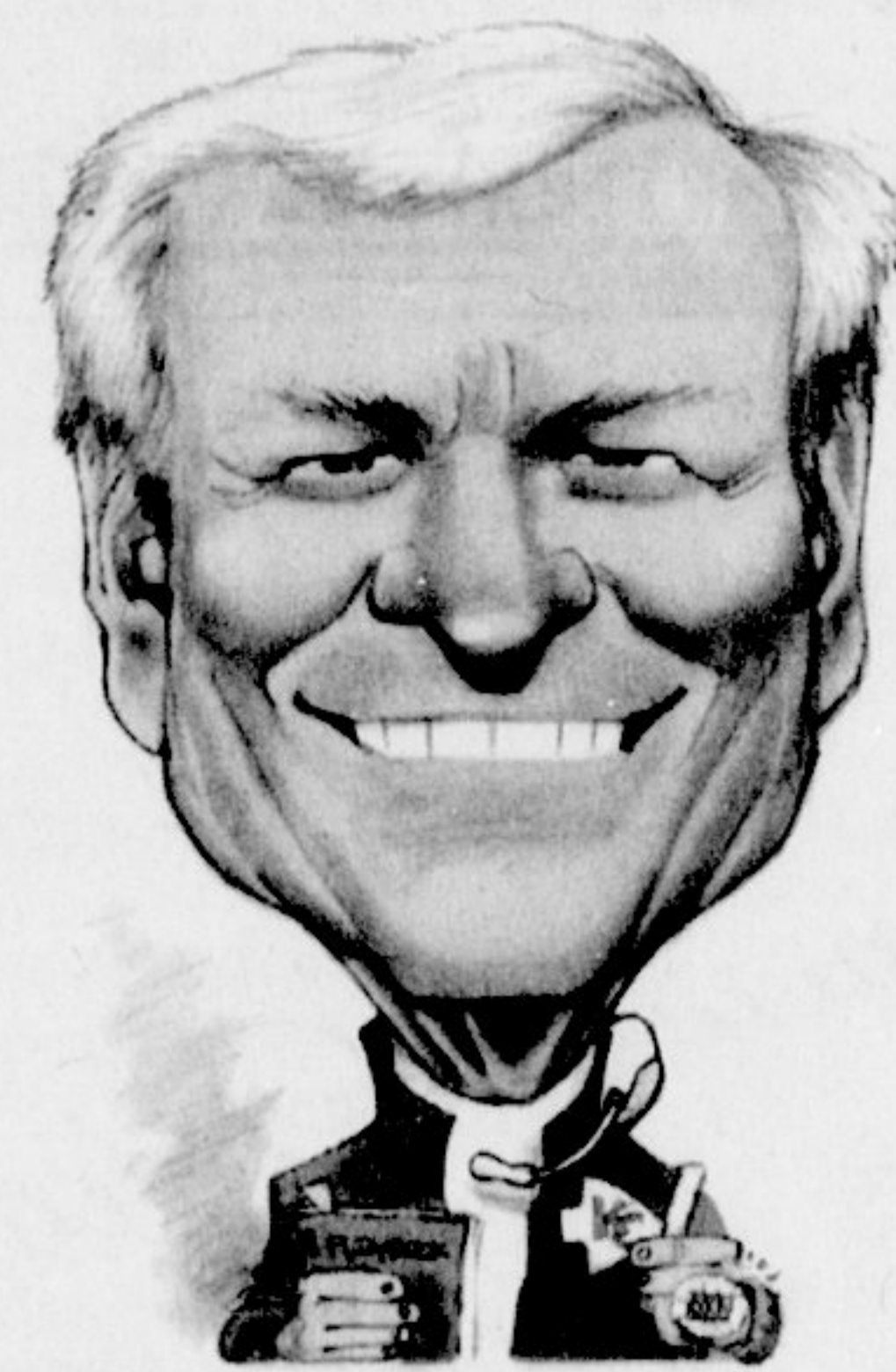
Without this force of low wage employees, the Israeli economy would come to a grinding halt.

At the same time, unemployment within the occupied territories runs as high as 60 percent in some places.

Now, on top of the daily humiliation Palestinians are subjected to, the Israelis assassinate one of the most revered and beloved figures in Palestine, Sheik Ahmed Yassin.

Until the United States and Israel drastically change their policies toward the Palestinian people who, by the way, have as valid a claim to the land as the Jews do, the horrors of suicide bombing and military occupation of Arab lands will continue indefinitely.

Between 70 A.D. and 1948, the Israeli people had little or no presence in the Holy Land. Maybe its time the Palestinians were given what's theirs.



If you don't invest very much, then defeat doesn't hurt very much and winning is not very exciting."

In My Opinion

Attraction is more than skin-deep

A definition of true beauty

TONY ZOPPO
ASSISTANT FEATURES EDITOR

I saw an advertisement for clothing recently that had a young girl, maybe 16, sitting with her arms propped over her legs in front of her.

The girl was noticeably skinny, borderline unhealthy even. She had on designer black pants and a striped shirt and in big bold letters was "less is more."

I don't know who is in charge of advertising for that company, but they need to look back at that ad and see what kind of message it's sending.

We're talking about an adolescent girl speaking in volumes to thousands of other young girls about "less is more."

Although this quote is referring to the clothing, you'd have to be insane to tell me that there isn't another message lying within that phrase.

Ever heard of Anorexia Nervosa? Bulimia Nervosa?

These are psychological eating disorders. Anorexia being the most prominent in young women, mostly those going through the physical and psychological changes that come with puberty.

Why on Earth, with something as serious as that going on in this country, would we have a society whose advertising puts this enormous strain on being physically "perfect?"

From the time they are little girls, women are under a pressure that no man may ever know. More often than not, it's society that teaches females they have to look perfect. They need to have great skin, high cheekbones, long legs, narrow hips, a slim torso and - maybe, most importantly - a closed mouth.

Why does our definition of beauty have to be just skin-deep?

Why isn't an outgoing quality in a woman desirable? Why is it that in almost every



advertisement with a female, there's some kind of sex-selling mentality depicting these women as mere objects?

Beauty and being sexy is not about fitting into a size four and having a bust size that makes Pamela Anderson look like she has two mosquito bites on her chest.

Though the surface is almost always the first thing that intrigues a person about another and throws a spark out in the open, looks are merely a stepping stone - they're not true beauty.

I'll tell you what beauty is. Beauty is the woman next to you who puts up with your crap day in and day out and still loves you with all her heart. Beauty is the woman who has a brain and a sense of humor in addition to a body. Beauty is that creature beside you who wants to spend every moment with you for the rest of both your lives.

Beauty is the wonderful mother of your children who has fair skin, wide hips, fit legs and a wide-open mouth, whether she is nagging at you or talking in the sweetest, softest voice you've ever heard.

Beauty isn't about all our society makes it out to be. It's about seeing an imperfect person perfectly.

The next time you see an ad with a woman half or barely clothed and some wacky sex phrase littered all over the page or television screen, think about how much you would like it if you were under a microscope like that every day of your life.

We're people, not objects - let's treat each other like people. And "people" certainly includes women.

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Did You Know?

- On this day in 1945, reggae musician Bob Marley was born.
- This month is California Earthquake Preparedness Month.
- Today is Election Officials Day.
- On this day in 1909, the North Pole was discovered.

Announcements

Freestyle Competition

The Student Union Popular Entertainment Committee is sponsoring a freestyle competition featuring a DJ competition and an MC competition from 5 p.m. - 8 p.m. on Wednesday, April 7 on the Mendenhall Brickyard. This event is free.

Bingo

The Student Union Spectrum Committee presents Bingo at 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, April 7 in the Mendenhall Multi-Purpose Room. This event is free.

Films

The Student Union Films Committee will not be showing any films this week.

Percussion Players

The School of Music presents ECU Percussion Players, directed by John Neal at 8 p.m. on Wednesday, April 7 in the A. J. Fletcher Recital Hall. This event is free.

Symphony Orchestra

The School of Music presents the ECU Symphony Orchestra conducted by Hisao Watanabe at 8 p.m. on Thursday, April 8 in Wright Auditorium. This event is free.

Game Night Tournament

The Student Union is sponsoring a game night tournament from 11 p.m. - 3 a.m. on Thursday, April 8 in the Mendenhall Student Center. This event is free.

Jazz Ensemble

The School of Music presents a Contemporary Jazz Ensemble directed by Paul Tardif at 8 p.m. on Monday, April 12 in the A. J. Fletcher Recital Hall. This event is free.

The Rivals

The ECU/Loessin Playhouse presents *The Rivals* on Thursday, April 15 through Tuesday, April 20 at 8 p.m., with a 2 p.m. matinee on Sunday, April 18 in the McGinnis Theatre. Tickets can be purchased through the Central Ticket Office by calling 1-800-ECU-ARTS.

Blu Moon Festival

The Blu Moon Independent Film Festival will be held on April 16. Submit entries to Ashley Magnum at 712 White Hall, Greenville, NC 27858 or call 229-5298. Entries are due on April 9. For more information, e-mail blumoonfilmfest@yahoo.com or visit <http://personalecu.edu/jcd1025>.

Relay For Life

The Pitt County Relay for Life recently kicked off this year's effort by celebrating the Relay's 10-year anniversary. The 2004 Relay for Life will be held on Friday, April 30 and Saturday, May 1 at the Pitt County Fairgrounds. Relay is now seeking volunteers who are interested in helping form teams and join in the fight against cancer. If you are interested in volunteering, forming a team or donating time or money, please contact Alis Irwin at 317-5803.

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- Good News For People Who Love Bad News*, Modest Mouse
- Com Lag 2+2=5* (Enhanced) (Import), Radiohead
- The Passion of the Christ: Songs Inspired By* (Soundtrack), Various Artists
- True Love*, Toots and the Maytals
- Inspiration* (includes Bonus DVD), William Hung
- No More Lies* (Enhanced CD-Single) (Import), Iron Maiden
- Liars*, Todd Rundgren
- Soundtrack to Your Escape*, In Flames
- Retriever*, Ron Sexsmith

DVDs

- The Matrix Revolutions* (Widescreen Edition)
- Friends - The Complete Seventh Season*
- The Pink Panther Film Collection* (*The Pink Panther / A Shot in the Dark / Strikes Again / Revenge of / Trail*)
- In Living Color - Season 1*
- Meet Me in St. Louis* (Two-Disc Special Edition)
- Freaks and Geeks - The Complete Series*
- Cheaper by the Dozen*
- The Grapes of Wrath*
- The Matrix Revolutions* (Full Screen Edition)
- A Room with a View* (Two-Disc Special Edition)

Satisfy your sweet tooth

Chocolate offers many health benefits

RACHEL LANDEN
SENIOR WRITER

For people with a sweet tooth, there are four basic food groups: milk chocolate, dark chocolate, white chocolate and chocolate truffles. If these were the USDA's idea of the Food Guide Pyramid, millions of people would find it a lot easier to follow a balanced diet.

People know chocolate isn't exactly a health food, but contrary to popular belief, it is actually not so unhealthy. Chocolate contains high levels of phenolics, chemicals that may help protect against heart disease by preventing fat-like substances from clogging the arteries.

Chocolate may also help raise good cholesterol (HDL) rather than bad cholesterol (LDL) due to the presence of a monounsaturated fat, oleic acid, the heart-healthy fat found in olive oil, is also contained in cocoa butter.

It is also well known that chocolate is full of flavanoids, thus making the food an even greater benefactor of cardiovascular health. Flavanoids occur naturally in the cacao plant from which chocolate is derived, as well as in red wine, tea, fruits and vegetables.

Flavanoids also serve as antioxidants - enzymes that may help prevent or delay cancer or similar cell and tissue damage. In fact, chocolate has an even higher antioxidant level than highly touted red wine. However, the chocolate should have a high percentage of cocoa solids - at least 70 percent - in order to be

deemed truly healthful.

Therefore, not all chocolates are equal. Dark chocolate has a higher content of cocoa solids per ounce than milk chocolate. As a result, there are about twice as many antioxidants in dark chocolate, making it healthier than the higher fat and higher calorie milk chocolate.

If you make wise chocolate choices and choose the healthier dark kind, you may actually be doing something good for your body.

According to a study by Harvard University, men who ate chocolate lived, on average, one year longer than men who did not eat chocolate. The difference in longevity is probably because these chemicals help protect against two of the major killers - heart disease and cancer.

causes cavities, acne and has too much caffeine are not completely accurate.

The sugar in chocolate does not cause cavities any more than the sugar in other foods, nor does chocolate contribute to acne. Research even suggests that cocoa butter may protect teeth from cavities by creating a protective coating against plaque.

Chocolate even contains less caffeine than coffee. A cup of coffee usually has between 100 and 150 milligrams of caffeine, whereas the average chocolate bar contains a significantly fewer 30 milligrams. However, chocolate is still slightly stimulating because of theobromine, another chemical that resembles caffeine.

The presence of theobromine, caffeine and other stimulants is not great enough to have much of an impact on the brain and nervous system. Still, some people claim comfort in the food.

"You can always count on chocolate for three things," said Renee Elliott, freshman theater education major.

"It can make you feel good, make you feel fat and make you feel guilty."

Carbohydrates, as well as another chemical known as phenethylamine (PEA), are primarily responsible for the natural mood boost that chocolate provides. Carbohydrates raise serotonin levels, which in turn can make us feel happy. Also, PEA is actually naturally produced by our brains when we are happy or "in love."

Perhaps this is another reason why the average American eats between 10 - 12 pounds of

see CHOCOLATE page A7

Cake

Death by Chocolate Cake

Yield: 10 servings
4 eggs
1 cup sour cream
1/2 cup water
1/2 cup oil
1 pack chocolate cake mix
1 pack chocolate instant pudding
12 ounce package semisweet chocolate chips
confectioner's sugar

Beat eggs, sour cream, water and oil together in a large bowl until thoroughly mixed. Add cake mix and pudding mix. Beat until smooth. Stir in chocolate chips. Pour into Bundt or tube pan and bake at 350 degrees Fahrenheit for one hour. When cool, sift powdered sugar on top of cake.

Syrup

Simple Chocolate Syrup

3/4 cup dry unsweetened cocoa
1 pinch cinnamon
1 1/4 cups water
1 teaspoon vanilla
1/2 cup sugar

In a heavy saucepan, combine cocoa, cinnamon and water; stir or whisk until there are no lumps. Stir and cook over medium heat until mixture comes to a boil. Reduce heat; boil gently, stirring often, for five minutes or until mixture is thick and smooth. Cool slightly. Stir in vanilla and sugar. Pour into a container with lid. Cover and store in refrigerator for up to three weeks.

Soda

Chocolate Soda

Yield: 1 serving
1/3 cup vanilla ice cream
3 tablespoons chocolate syrup
1 cup seltzer water

Place the vanilla ice cream in the bottom of a tall glass. Add the chocolate syrup and stir to make a smooth paste. Slowly pour the seltzer water over a spoon inside the glass so that the seltzer water is cascading over the spoon. Spoon off foam to make room for all of the water. Stir until well blended.

Healthy breakfast leads to happy days



Morning meals give important energy boost

LAURA KEELING
STAFF WRITER

Breakfast has always been pounded into our heads as the

most important meal of the day. As much as students hate to admit it, breakfast fuels the body with energy to last throughout an entire day.

According to a Harvard Medical School study, those who eat breakfast every day are less likely to become obese than those who choose not to eat breakfast. "Breakfast actually helps to increase metabolism," said Tara Barber, Registered Dietitian with Wellness Education at the ECU Student Health Center.

"Someone who skips breakfast is more likely to over eat on high calorie foods and remain hungry for the rest of the day."

After eight to 12 hours without a meal or snack, the body needs to replenish its glucose (blood sugar), which is the main energy source for the brain.

The American Dietetic Association suggests cereal topped with fruit and yogurt,

whole grain toast with peanut butter and a glass of milk, or scrambled eggs, toast and fruit.

"When I eat breakfast before an exam, I feel like I do better on it," said Erin Dehart, junior communication major.

A typical student's morning often consists of waking up late and rushing out the door to walk to class, catch the bus or find that golden parking spot. With a student's schedule being so hectic, there often isn't time for breakfast. What is a college student to do?

Some options that you might want to try are waking up at least 15 minutes early. This time would allow you to grab some toast and a cup of orange juice.

If you don't want to make it yourself, you can always grab fast food. More and more fast food restaurants are offering healthier meals. For example, McDonald's egg McMuffin

is low in carbohydrates and has lots of protein - a perfect alternative to eating nothing at all.

Another healthy tip is to eat a breakfast that includes at least one protein, one carbohydrate and one fruit. This meal is well-balanced and will cause your energy level to increase at a rapid pace.

Barber said that eating breakfast provides the body with essential nutrients that cannot be made up for later in the day.

If you would like to find out more information about the benefits of breakfast, you can stop by the Wellness Education office at the ECU Student Health Center or log onto the American Dietetic Association's Web site at eatright.org.

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Horoscopes

Aries (March 21-April 20). Over the next few days, family members may feel compelled to discuss recent emotional or financial decisions. Long-term romance, daily obligations and shared duties are accentuated. After Friday, social interest and bold flirtation are on the rise. Respond honestly to romantic introductions; your reactions will be closely studied.

Taurus (April 21-May 20) Personal questions and subtle romantic comments may be ongoing themes over the next three days. Before midweek, watch for friends or lovers to clarify past events, outline new promises or challenge key decisions. Confidently state your long-term goals. Loved ones will respond positively to bold statements of loyalty and affection.

Gemini (May 21-June 21) At present, deep fears or past social doubts may strain romantic or family relationships. Before the end of next week, friends, lovers and close relatives will follow your lead. After Thursday, almost nine weeks of minor ailments and disrupted sleep patterns will fade. Remain active and listen to the body's natural wisdom.

Cancer (June 22-July 22). Romantic optimism is returning. Over the next few days, let new attractions and light social encounters develop naturally. Newly begun relationships will greatly expand in the coming months. Watch for steady emotional gains and renewed sensuality.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22). Creativity and intuition are due to increase. Late Tuesday, expect a mood of inner reflection and

calm acceptance to arrive. Areas affected are past romantic or family decisions, social ethics or lost time in key relationships. Loved ones may press for bold affections. After Friday, passionate invitations may be difficult to resist. Avoid emotional risk.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Early this week, workplace negotiations will require added dedication. Look for creative solutions to problems. Thursday through Saturday, loved ones may ask for extra private time. Quiet thoughts will bring lasting insight. Wait for close friends or romantic partners to announce vital decisions.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Some Librans will experience a brief financial disagreement between loved ones. Plan revised budgets and fresh family activities. Change and group discussions are needed. Friday through Sunday, romantic invitations may arrive without warning. Remain open and wait for clear signals.

Scorpio (Oct. 24-Nov. 22). Friends or lovers may deny their past actions, words or decisions. Before midweek, respond honestly to draining social triangles and allow loved ones added time for contemplation. New romantic and social rules will be put to the test over the next few weeks.

Sagittarius (Nov. 23-Dec. 21). Sentimental reflection has a powerful influence. Watch close relatives or loved ones for delightful signs of affection and long-term support. This is a strong time for rekindled trust and shared family goals. After Thursday, unattached Sagittarians may experience fast romantic introductions.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 20). Over the next six days, practical information may be easily misinterpreted. Go slowly and remain true to original values. After Wednesday, loved ones may need financial guidance. Complex debts, legal requirements and revised payment schedules are accentuated. Encourage new creativity.

Aquarius (Jan. 21-Feb. 19). Social relations or family triangles will be complicated by new group plans. Friday through Sunday, business records and financial obligations require careful scrutiny. Loved ones may need extra time to adjust to workplace changes, new debts or revised job expectations.

Pisces (Feb. 20-March 20). Honesty between loved ones will encourage emotional commitment. Before Wednesday, expect close friends or lovers to reveal their past history or offer a rare glimpse into their private world. Take all as a compliment and watch for powerful romantic overtures. Friday through Sunday, insightful dreams are accentuated.

If your birthday is this week ... Several months of romantic confusion and social disappointment will soon end. After April 21, long-term relationships will be easily clarified, established or negotiated. Business relations may be troublesome, but remain optimistic and watch for rapid progress in early September. Much of 2004 will bring a powerful need for social confidence and workplace independence. Stay strong and refuse to compromise concerning romantic or business relationships.

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Eat fast while eating healthy

Fast food chains jump on diet bandwagon

KIMBERLY KNIGHT
STAFF WRITER

Eating at your favorite fast food restaurants isn't the same anymore - the trend is a healthier meal instead of the usual favorites like heavy, saturated, fatty burgers and the option of super sizing.

Businesses like McDonald's, Hardees and Wendy's all offer healthier choices along with the original menus.

"I think the fast food industry is making a good effort to promote a healthy lifestyle, but what is going to happen if we find out that three or four years later that the low-carb items were just as bad for us as the rest?" said Brian Welch, graduate student business administration major.

McDonald's offers healthy alternatives for breakfast, lunch and dinner.

In the mornings, you can eat an Egg McMuffin and have a 12-ounce cup of orange juice totaling at 440 calories.

If you happen to skip breakfast and zoom into lunch, you can eat a Caesar salad with grilled chicken with Newman's Own Low-Fat Balsamic Vinaigrette along with a Fruit 'n Yogurt Parfait washed down with a medium Iced Tea that equals 400 calories.

Another option is a four-pack of Chicken McNuggets with one pack of honey, a side salad with half of Newman's Own creamy Caesar dressing and a small Sprite for only 470 calories.

However, if McDonald's is not your favorite fast food restaurant, try Hardees.

Hardees now has Atkins burgers for those looking for an alternative to other hamburgers. The low-carb Thick Burger only has six carbohydrates and 49 fewer grams of fat than other burgers on the menu.

Hardees also offers a low-carb Breakfast Bowl with only five carbohydrates and a low-carb Chicken Club Sandwich with just 11 carbohydrates.

Another fast food favorite is turning over a new menu as well.

Wendy's now offers low-calorie foods as well as providing helpful tips about how to plan healthier meals daily.

On their Web site, Wendy's.com, a suggested meal planner is offered containing options under 510 calories and fewer than 10 grams of fat.

Examples are the Jr. Hamburger with a side salad and fat-free dressing, a large chili with a side salad and fat-free dressing, or a grilled chicken sandwich with a side salad with fat-free dressing.

For students looking for other options, talking with a nutritionist can be helpful. The



Wendy's offers salads as one of their low-calorie meals.

Wellness Education department offers health educators, nutritionists and body image and eating programs. Services such as meal planning and nutrition are offered at no cost to the student.

"When they come to the Student Health Center, students are treated by trained professionals in a respectful courteous manner," said Karen S. Warren, director of Wellness Education.

"All visits are highly confidential and cost effective."

Still, it all comes down to the individual wanting to change their eating style or meal supplement.

"You can change the menu all you want, however, the problem is the fact that people are still living an unhealthy lifestyle and in order to change their lifestyle they must first change themselves and want to start living a healthier life," said Mitchell Burley, junior neuroscience major.

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chocolate each year!

If this sounds like you, then you probably already know the best places to go to indulge your chocolate cravings. Grocery, convenience and drug stores sell a variety of chocolate treats in individual packages, king sizes and bags.

If you are looking for a higher quality chocolate dessert, however, restaurants in Greenville present other options for satisfying your sweet tooth.

O'Charley's offers their Ultimate Chocolate Chocolate Cake, a five-layer dark chocolate cake with chocolate frosting, chocolate fudge and chocolate powder. According to McAlister's Deli, their Chocolate Loving Spoon Cake is "a chocolate lover's delight."

If you want chocolate ice cream on the menu, the new Coldstone Creamery allows customers to devise their own creations with a variety of baked goods, mix-ins and fillings. If their Chocolate Devotion

isn't rich enough with its chocolate ice cream, chocolate chips, brownie and fudge, you can add more to the blend. Choose from M&M's, Oreos, white chocolate chips and more.

What are you waiting for? By this time, your mouth must surely be watering and your stomach growling. Have some chocolate - after all, it's the least you can do for your health.

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NEED A JOB THIS SUMMER

Like to paint? Campus Living will be hiring student painters, at \$7.00 per hour, for the paint crew this summer. If you are interested in applying, please stop by Office Suite 100, Jones Hall or visit us online at www.ecu.edu/campusliving and follow the student employment links for a downloadable application. Applications must be returned to the housing office by April 16.

It's a fun job but somebody's got to do it!

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Announcements

Golf Singles, Doubles Registration

Registration for an intramural golf tournament will be held on Tuesday, April 6 from 10 a.m. - 6 p.m. in 128 SRC. The tournament will be held on Monday, April 19 and Tuesday, April 20 at Bradford Creek Golf Course. Students will be responsible for green fees.

Tar River Canoe Trip

The adventure program is organizing a jaunt down the Tar River for April 16. Students must register by April 9. The pre-trip meeting is April 13.

Board & Boat Surfing

The adventure program will head to Masonboro Island for a fun time of board and boat surfing April 17 - 18. Participants must register by April 9. A pre-trip meeting is April 13.

Rock Climbing

Students will be given a chance to test their rock climbing skills on April 18 when the Adventure program will head to Pilot Mountain. Participants must register by April 9. A pre-trip meeting is April 13. Harnesses and gears will be provided.

Workouts That Travel

Workouts That Travel Fitness will be held on April 6 from 7 p.m. - 8 p.m. Participants will learn innovative, time-efficient workout strategies that can be done at home, in the office, hotels, residence halls and practically any time you are "on the road." The 60-minute session is perfect for campus commuters or busy people! For information on any of the above programs, call 328-6387.

Sports Briefs

Roddick wins Nasdaq-100

Andy Roddick battled a queasy stomach in the final of the Nasdaq-100 Open and he was the healthiest player on the court. The curse of Key Biscayne struck again Sunday and it hit Guillermo Coria hardest. He retired because of back spasms after losing the first three points of the fourth set trailing 6-7 (2-7), 6-3, 6-1. It's the fourth time in 15 years that the men's final has been affected by an ailing player. Roddick acknowledged he could have done worse than a little nausea. Coria said he hurt his back in the first set. Trailing 6-5, he received treatment from a trainer during a changeover, then played a flawless tiebreaker to pull out the set. However, Coria walked to the chair frowning and shaking his head and threw his racket at his bag. As Roddick took control in the second and third sets, Coria occasionally clutched his back between points, and his movement and serve were clearly affected. After hitting a forehand into the net in the first game of the final set, Coria waved his hands in frustration and walked to the net to concede.

Bruins top Devils, win division title

The Boston Bruins earned an edge for at least the first two rounds of the playoffs by making the New Jersey Devils' road to consecutive Stanley Cup titles a little tougher. Glen Murray set up a goal and scored another in a big first period and the Bruins won the Northeast Division title. They helped take away the Atlantic Division crown from the Devils with a 3-1 win on Sunday. The Bruins, who played without star center Joe Thornton for the second straight game because of what's being called an upper body injury by the team, will face the Montreal Canadiens in a best-of-7 series starting on Wednesday in Boston. The Bruins, the second seed in the Eastern Conference, won the season series with the seventh-seeded Canadiens 3-0-1-2.

Sadler earns first victory of season

Elliott Sadler had a fast car all day. He's just glad things slowed down at the end. Helped by a flurry of late cautions and another hard-luck Texas moment for Jeff Gordon, Sadler got out in front and then barely held off rookie Kasey Kahne in the Samsung/RadioShack 500 on Sunday. Sadler, who started 19th, finished just two-hundredths of a second -- a half-car length -- in front of Kahne. It was Sadler's second Nextel Cup win, his first in 43 races for Robert Yates Racing. With a last push out of the final turn, Kahne had his left front panel just alongside the rear of Sadler's Ford as they crossed the finish line around the lapped car of Johnny Sauter. It was the eighth-closest finish in Cup history.

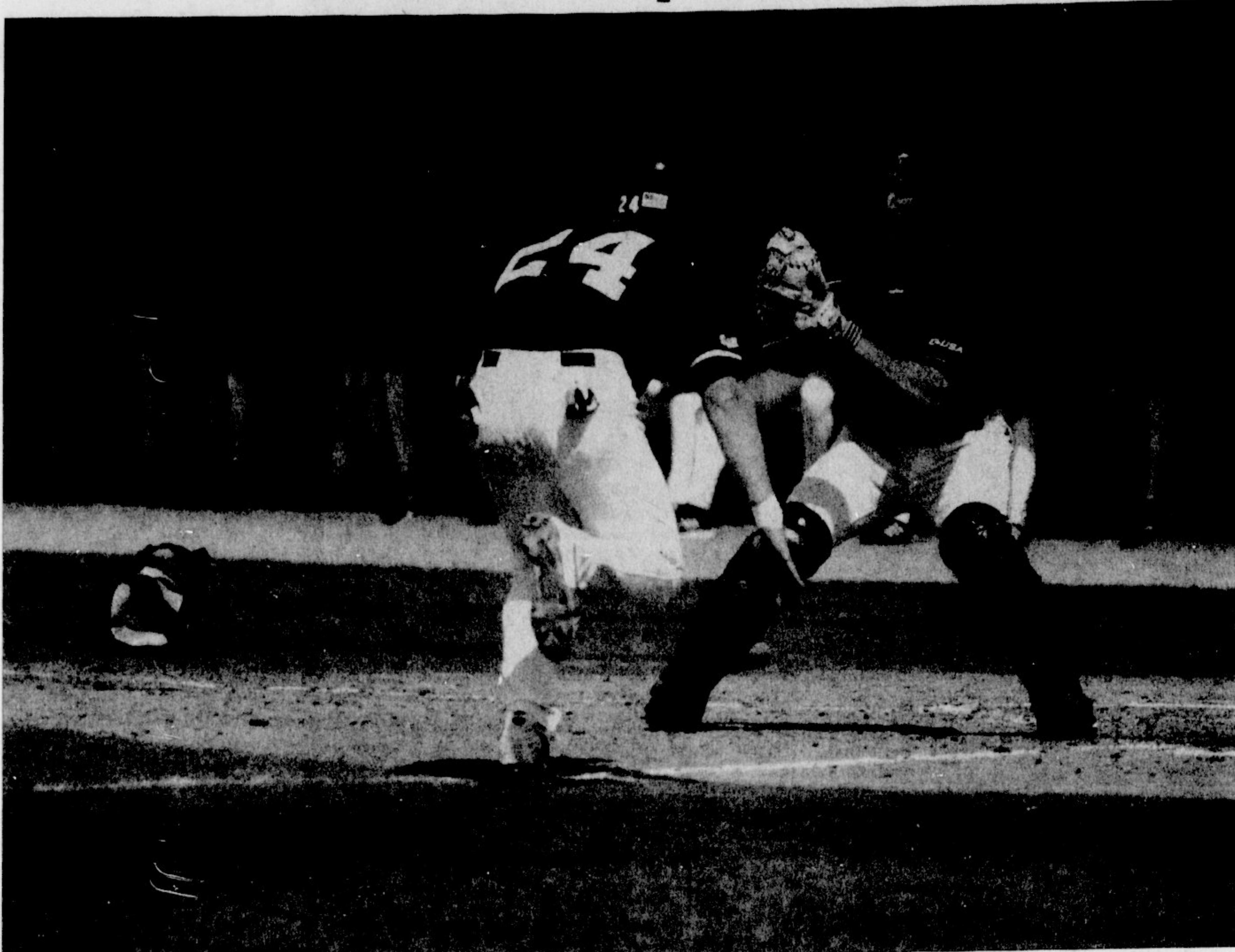
Giants QB Palmer featured as TV's next 'Bachelor'

The quarterback attempted 25 passes and only completed one. On TV, that makes you a winner. New York Giants backup quarterback Jesse Palmer emerged from weeks of taping ABC's reality show *The Bachelor* having chosen one of the 25 contestants. He refers to her as "the missus" and says he calls her each day on the phone, although he won't say if they're engaged. Palmer's brother Billy, a tight end at Notre Dame, warned him never to use the words "chemistry" or "connection" during the show. Giants teammate Amani Toomer told him he would catch a lot of grief if he cried on camera. The 25-year-old Palmer is the center of attention for the fifth season of the popular show, which will premiere April 7. During taping, he got to know 25 women on a series of exotic, romantic dates, introduced some to his family and met some of their own relatives before settling on "the missus." In a new twist for the show, one of the 25 contestants was actually a spy, one of Palmer's closest friends who lived in the house with the contestants and fed him information on who was in it for love and who was just looking for face time on TV.

Cornerback hospitalized, but in stable condition

New York Jets cornerback Jamie Henderson was hospitalized in critical but stable condition Monday following a weekend motorcycle accident. Grady Memorial Hospital spokeswoman Denise Simpson confirmed Henderson's condition but would not give additional details. The Jets said in a statement that Henderson was injured Saturday night but did not comment further. Henderson's agent, Pat Dye, told the Newark Star-Ledger on Sunday the injuries were not life-threatening. A former teammate told the paper that Henderson crashed between 11 p.m. and midnight on Saturday. According to the source, Henderson, who was believed to be wearing a helmet, lost control of the bike while making a turn at a high speed. Henderson was a standout defensive back at Carrolton High School, 40 miles west of Atlanta. He later played for Georgia before the Jets drafted him in the fourth round in 2001.

No. 17 Pirates explode on 49ers



The Pirates walloped the 49ers by a combined score of 45-18 in just three games last weekend in Charlotte.

ECU sweeps weekend series in Charlotte

BRENT WYNNE
STAFF WRITER

Chew on this: 48 hits, 10 home runs and 45 runs. Sounds like enough offense to last 10 games, huh? Try three for the ECU baseball team, which once again proved they have one of the nation's most potent offenses as they rocked Charlotte in a three game set 8-0, 13-5 and 24-13.

In a nearly flawless performance, the Pirate offense was working like a well-oiled machine trained to do two things -- seek and destroy.

The object of destruction just happened to be the ball in this case. The Charlotte pitchers are probably suffering from the lowest esteem levels of their collective careers after watching pitch after pitch sail around and, often times, out of the ballpark.

The dominance began with a game one shutout.

Junior Greg Bunn tossed eight scoreless innings, scattering two hits and recorded eight

strikeouts as he improved to 5-0 on the season.

Phillip Powell came on in the ninth to preserve the shutout for the Pirates, their fifth of the season.

The lethal Lawhorns were up to their usual antics again as they both homered in the same game for the third time this season.

Darryl's home run, the 39th of his career, moved him into a tie with pitching coach Tommy Eason for third place on ECU's all-time home run list.

The Pirates improved to 22-6 overall and 4-3 in Conference-USA with the win.

The offense was in full throttle again for game two as ECU pounded out a remarkable season-high 21 hits along with another season-high for runs, 13, in route to a 13-5 pasting of the 49ers.

The Pirates, now 23-6 overall and 5-3 in C-USA, found themselves facing a 4-0 deficit after a shaky start from Shane Mathews, who surrendered three first-inning home runs, allowing the 49ers to jump ahead.

Mathews put his foot down after that and didn't allow

another run in his appearance, keeping the Pirates in the game.

ECU kicked it into high gear with an eight-run fifth, which ultimately proved to be too much for Charlotte who mustered only one more run in the home half of the ninth.

The eight-run explosion was due largely in part to a set of homeruns blasted by T. Lawhorn, Drew Costanzo and Ryan Jones, who combined for seven of the eight RBIs in the frame.

Jones' blast was a grand slam and marked his ninth round tripper of the season.

Matt Bishop was the beneficiary of the knockout blow as he picked up the win and improved to 2-0 on the season.

Ryan Norwood and Mark Miniccozi also had fine days at the plate as they both went 3-for-5 with an RBI and a run scored.

As if the punishment in the first two games wasn't enough, the Pirates were relentless in the series finale as they banged out 19 more hits to completely obliterate the 49ers 24-13.

Trailing 11-9 heading into

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Baseball

Rk.	Team	Record	LW
1.	Stanford	23-4	1
2.	Texas	31-4	2
3.	Louisiana State	24-5	3
4.	Rice	24-6	4
5.	Miami	24-6	5
6.	South Carolina	23-5	6
7.	Long Beach State	20-8	7
8.	Mississippi	24-4	8
9.	Notre Dame	22-3	12
10.	Wichita State	16-3	10
11.	Southern Miss.	24-4	15
12.	Tulane	22-8	11
13.	Nebraska	21-5	19
14.	North Carolina	23-6	20
15.	Texas A&M	26-8	9
16.	UC Irvine	19-6	17
17.	ECU	24-6	18
18.	Auburn	21-9	13
19.	Central Florida	27-5	23
20.	Tennessee	25-5	24
21.	Florida State	23-9	21
22.	Oklahoma	19-10	NR
23.	Arizona State	22-9	14
24.	Florida	25-8	16
25.	Vanderbilt	21-7	25

Dropped Out: Florida Atlantic (22).

Spring practice concludes with scrimmage

Offense persists over defense in 70-54 win

BRANDON HUGHES
SENIOR WRITER

The Pirate football team wrapped up spring practice and conducted their final scrimmage Thursday night at Dowdy-Ficklen Stadium. Fans' support and a food and clothing drive made the two-hour session a success.

Head Coach John Thompson utilized a modified scoring system as the offense outscored the defense 70-54. The offense was awarded points for touchdowns, field goals, PAT's, first downs and plays more than 20 yards. The defense earned points by forcing turnovers, punts and sacks.

Defense was the story of the first quarter as they forced two punts and sacked the quarterback on three occasions. The defense recorded 12 tackles for loss and six sacks on the game.

"I couldn't be more happy with the way these guys came out here and competed tonight," said Thompson.

ECU softball swept in Louisville series

Lady Pirates fall in three against Cardinals

DAVID WASKIEWICZ
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The ECU Softball team traveled to Kentucky last weekend to face Louisville in a three-game series. The team looked to improve their overall record to 38-8-1 and bring their conference record to 7-5. Unfortunately for the Lady Pirates, they were dealt three straight losses by a strong Louisville team.

ECU opened up the series last Saturday with a doubleheader.

Despite their efforts, the Lady Pirates were shut out in their first game, 9-0. Louisville's junior pitcher Aja Sherman picked up the win for her team, allowing



The Pirates' spring ended with a scrimmage under the lights at Dowdy-Ficklen Stadium.

"The defense played well early, the offense came back and competed, made some big plays and took care of the football."

The Pirate rushing attack gave the offense a big advantage throughout the game. Senior quarterback Desmond Robinson scored the first of three rushing touchdowns on a 23-yard run in the second quarter.

Robinson also handed off to Edwin Burke for the second

touchdown run. Burke finished the game with 50 rushing yards on seven carries.

Sophomore quarterback James Pinkney ran over several Pirate defenders on a five-yard score late in the game and led the air attack with 171 passing yards on 17-of-36 attempts.

The trio of Robinson, Pinkney and Patrick Dosh combined for 336 yards passing to 12 different receivers and no interceptions.

Robert Tillman led ECU with 80 rushing yards on 20 carries and fullback Jemarcus Veal tallied 74 yards on just four carries.

Wide receiver Will Bland led the receiving corps with five receptions for 67 yards and Demarcus Fox had seven catches for 63 yards.

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only four hits and striking out seven. ECU's sophomore pitcher Brentley Bridgeforth was credited with the team's first loss of the day, which set her pitching record at 13-6 this season.

In the second game of the doubleheader, ECU looked to rebound from their previous loss, scoring first in the second inning. Sophomore infielder Christine Sheridan doubled, sending home teammates Lacassa Hill and Leigh Savoy.

The Lady Pirates were not able to hold their lead long as the Cardinals tied the score in the fourth inning with a two-run homer from junior Sara Bausher.

The Cardinals then went on to score again in the fifth and sixth innings, defeating ECU 5-2. ECU's freshman pitcher Keli Harrell was billed with her

second loss of the season.

In the final game of the series, the Lady Pirates were shut out again by Louisville -- this time 6-0. Sherman once again pitched for the Cardinals, recording her third straight complete game shutout. Harrell picked up her second loss of the series for ECU, leaving her with a 10-3 record.

The defeats last weekend now put the Lady Pirates at 35-11-1 overall this season and set their conference record at 4-8.

ECU will try to rebound from the losses against Louisville this week as they travel to Wilmington. The Lady Pirates will open play against the Seahawks in a doubleheader on Wednesday at 4 p.m.

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The Lady Pirates dropped to 35-11-1 for the season.

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Leveque leads Pirate golfers

ECU finishes fifth in Bradford Creek tourney

TRENT WYNNE
STAFF WRITER

Ryan Leveque's (67-75-69) five-under-par performance in the Bradford Creek (par-72, 7,151-yards) Invitational tournament hosted by the Pirates last weekend helped ECU to a fifth place finish in its home tourney and rebuilt some of the lost Pirate confidence.

"We need to regain our confidence and build as much momentum as we can heading into the conference championships," said ECU Head Coach Kevin Williams.

"We had not been playing that well in the spring so far."

ECU was tied for the lead with Campbell and Gardner-Webb after each team fired a first round 286.

The Pirates dropped to fifth after the second round with a 292, four over par, and stayed there for the rest of the tournament.

Leveque won the fall version of this event - the 54-hole, two-day tourney - which featured many non-district teams from the northeast.

"Ryan is a freshman that shows a lot of promise," Williams said.

"If he will just work harder, he has a really bright future here."

The three-time defending champion UNC-W Seahawks came up just short in a quest for a four-peat as they fired a three-round total of 858, good enough for second place and just six strokes off of the Campbell Camels who took home the trophy.

"They have really had a strangle hold on this tournament for the past few years," Williams said.

ECU was just one of the 21 teams competing in this year's event along with American University, Appalachian State, Army, Campbell, Charleston Southern, Coastal Carolina, DePaul, Elon and Gardner-Webb.



The Pirates shot well at Bradford Creek, finishing fifth.

Individual Finishes

Fin.	Top 20 Players	School	70	68	67	205
1	Braxton Wynns	Campbell	70	68	67	205
	Andy Bare	NC Greensb	71	66	68	205
3	Marc-Andre Roy	NC Wilming	68	67	71	206
4	Ryan Leveque	ECU	67	75	69	211
5	Ryan Loucks	Elon	73	71	68	212
	Alvaro Velasco	Coast. Car	71	72	69	212
7	Steve McDonald	Gard-Webb	69	70	74	213
	Nick Olson	Charles So	72	71	70	213
9	Robert Dinwiddie	Tenn. St.	74	69	71	214
10	David Spitz	Rhode Isl.	74	68	74	216
	James Farrah	Georgetown	74	71	71	216
	David Thomas	Appal. St.	72	73	71	216
	Tony DiBitetto	NC Wilming	72	70	74	216
	Jeremy Kirkland	Coast. Car	72	71	73	216
15	Nick Cook	Georgetown	72	73	72	217
	Adam Condello	Old Domin.	71	75	71	217
	Ulf Hedlund	Campbell	73	71	73	217
	Kyle Spahr	Campbell	74	71	72	217
	Bill Lewis	NC Wilming	74	71	72	217
	*Conor O'Shea	Charles So	70	74	73	217

Opponents also included Georgetown, University of Long Island, Marquette, UNC Greensboro, UNC Wilmington, Old Dominion, Rhode Island, Richmond, Seton Hall, Tennessee State, and Virginia Commonwealth.

With the tournament being held at Bradford Creek for the ninth year now, the Pirates have built a great relationship with the people and officials associated with the beautiful golf course.

"It is a great situation for us," Williams said.

"In return for the revenue that we make off this tournament, they let us come out here to practice and hit balls."

ECU returns to action in just two weeks as they head down to Dade City, Florida for the conference championships from April 19 - April 21.

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THE END IS NEAR!

We are finally nearing the end of another academic year. For Suzy and John, students we discussed earlier in the year, the year has brought both successes and lessons to be learned. As students prepare to make the transition to their summer jobs, back to their families, or for those who are graduating, to new opportunities, there are several things to consider.

- First, making a transition always means a period of adjustment. This will be difficult for you as well as your loved ones. Don't be surprised if it is difficult to move back in with your family. After all, you have changed over the year. You are not used to your parents and they are not used to the "new you." They might expect you to be the same person you were nine months ago when they dropped you off at ECU. Remember to communicate clearly and calmly about what might need to be different for you. Remember to listen well, and consider the fact that you are living in their home. You may need to make some compromises.
- Second, you will be leaving your friends that you have learned to love. Perhaps you are even separating from that special someone for the summer. This can be very difficult. Have a conversation about what you expect from each other over the summer. Discuss how you will communicate with each other. Discuss possibilities for visits etc. Remember to do your part in the communicating. Don't expect them to always call you, email you etc. Initiate your share of the conversations.
- Third, You might be seeing old friends from home again. Remember that you and the friends have all changed. Remember that they might not enjoy the same activities, may not have the same interests as you. Try to let them develop into the people they want to be, while you develop into who you want to be. It is hard to understand how friendships can change, and if you can acknowledge this, you stand a much better chance at remaining friends.
- Fourth, you will need to adjust to new time schedules. Perhaps you are used to getting up at 11:00 for your first class. Now you have to get up at 8:00 for that new job. This can take some getting used to. Remember to get your share of sleep. Remember to eat healthy, and not to burn the candle at both ends.

A special word to seniors:

You are embarking on a new journey. You will have all kinds of feelings about this. You may feel anxious or scared because you do not quite know what lies ahead. You may feel sad about leaving your college years behind. You may feel excited about moving on to this new part of your life. Whatever the case, remember that it is normal to feel all of these emotions. Go easy on yourself. It is ok if you don't feel great all of the time. Talk to others, take care of yourself, and if these feelings are more than you can handle, come into the counseling center between 8:30 and 4:30 Monday through Friday for some guidance.

HAVE A GREAT SUMMER!!

Baseball from page A8

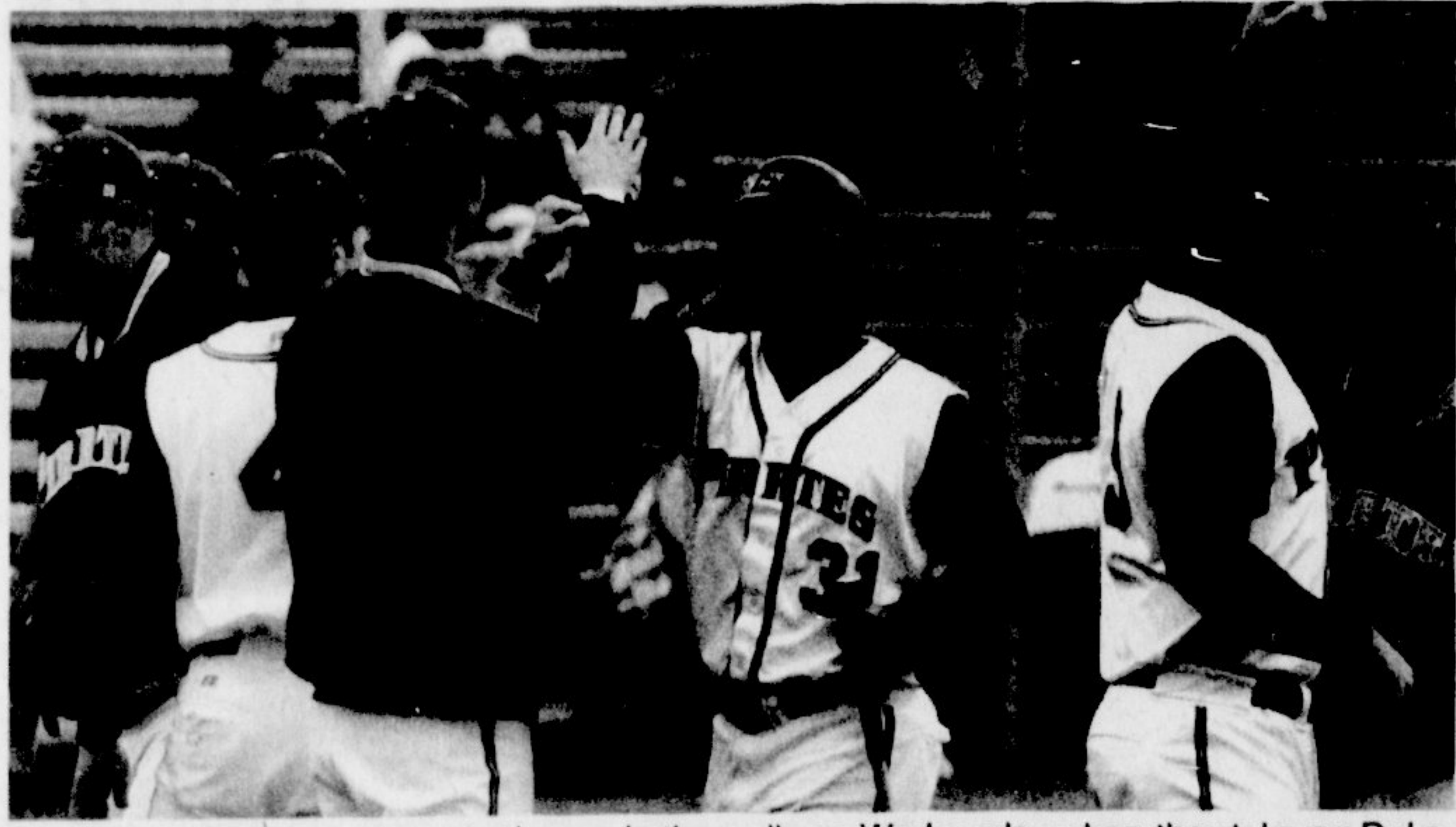


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ECU will be looking to move further up in the polls on Wednesday when they take on Duke.

the top of the eighth, the Pirates needed a big inning if they wanted to complete the sweep.

After Charlotte recorded the first out of the inning by a strikeout, they were only five outs away from salvaging the series.

With runners on first and third, an error by a Charlotte pitcher proved fatal as the next two outs were nearly impossible to get. ECU capitalized on the miscue with 10 runs, putting the game out of reach for the 49ers.

The score after the top of the eighth, 19-11, turned the baseball contest into a football-like shootout on the scoreboard.

The eighth inning saw D. Lawhorn move into sole possession of third place on the ECU all-time home runs list in a big way as he blasted a grand slam that got things cooking for the Pirates.

A Jones three-run triple and a T. Lawhorn two run job gave ECU the 19-11 advantage.

The Pirates tacked on five more runs in the ninth, adding a bit of icing to the already heavily glazed cake.

Norwood, Minicozzi and Adam Witter also added homers for the Pirates, who ultimately improved to 24-6 overall and 6-3 in C-USA on the season.

Jones and T. Lawhorn led the

way with four hits apiece and three and four RBIs respectively. Witter and Norwood each added two hits and three RBIs and D. Lawhorn added one hit (grand slam) and five RBIs.

Kevin Rhodes earned the win in this wild contest as he tossed three innings in relief, striking out three and only allowing three runs.

The Pirates' blazing bats will have a crack at another in-state rival on Wednesday as ECU travels to Raleigh for a 7 p.m. showdown with the Duke Blue Devils.

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ECU tennis bounces back

Men and women defeat Mount Olive

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The ECU men and women's tennis teams rebounded after losses to Arkansas Pine-Bluff with wins over Mount Olive last Thursday. The men were able to win their match 6-1, while the women won 5-2.

The win improved the men to 12-4 on the year with the win. The Pirates were led onto the court by number one seed Charl Meyer, who defeated Mount Olive's number one seed with a

score of 6-0, 6-2. Other winners for ECU included Paulo Baumer 6-2 6-2, Darren Mansell 6-3 6-2, Felipe Fonseca 6-3 6-3 and Mark Gellard 6-4 6-4.

In doubles action, Meyer and Mansell were able to defeat their opponents from Mount Olive as well as J.R. Gudger and Baumer. The men hope to use this momentum as they head to Wilmington to take on in-state rival UNC Wilmington on Wednesday.

The women had similar success against Mount Olive when number one seed Raluca Baicu would win the first match, but would lose the next and the tiebreaker.

Fortunately for the Pirates, four out of her five teammates would pick up victories. Winners for the ladies included Gillie Bailey 6-3 6-1, Cristina Meilicke 6-0 6-1, Kristen Buchanan 6-0 6-0 and Sara Boseman 6-7 7-5 1-0. The team of Baicu and Buchanan were able to pick up another victory in doubles for the Pirates. Bailey and Meilicke also would win their doubles match.

The women now have two road matches at Richmond and Appalachian State before the Conference-USA tournament.

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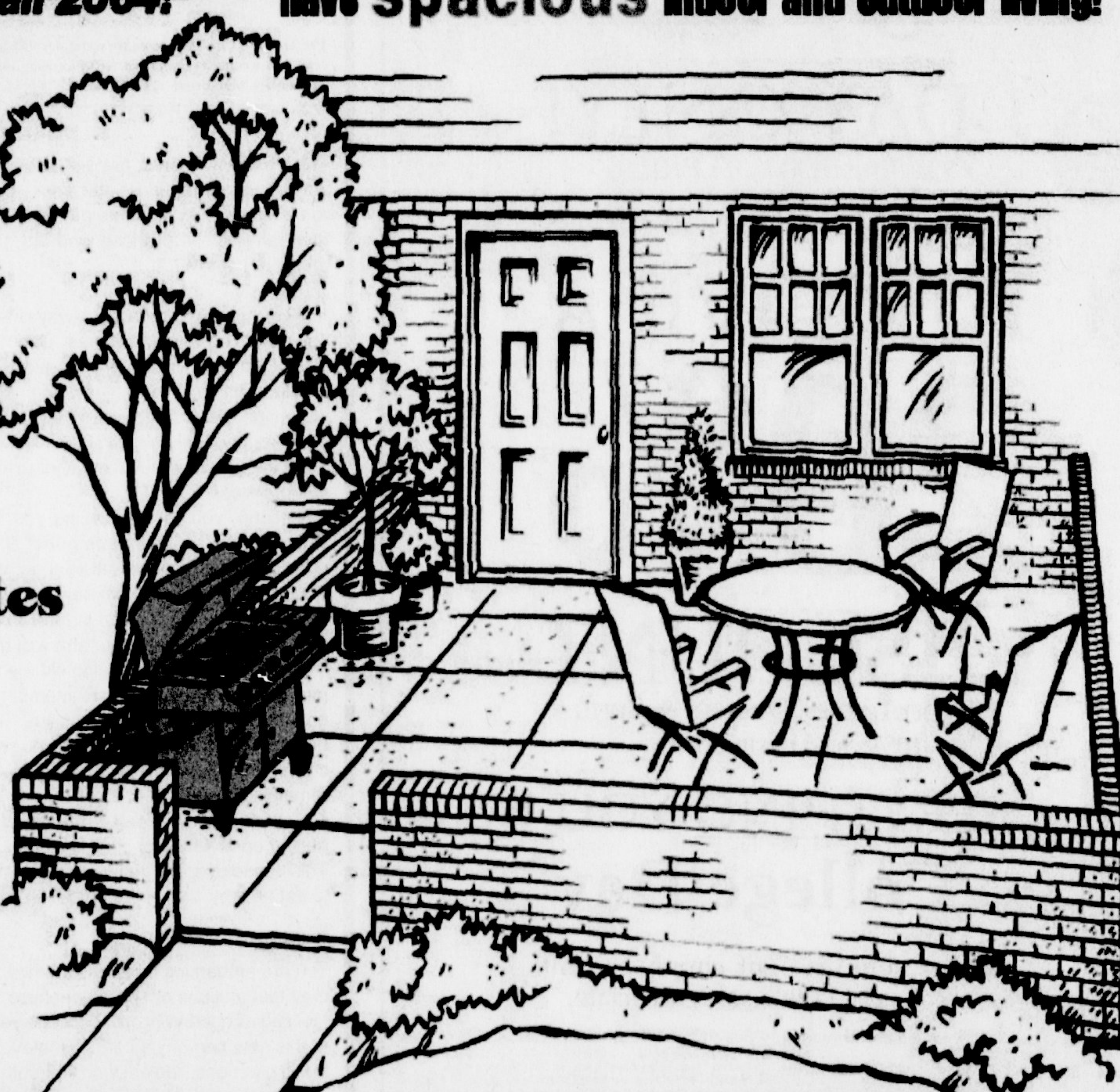
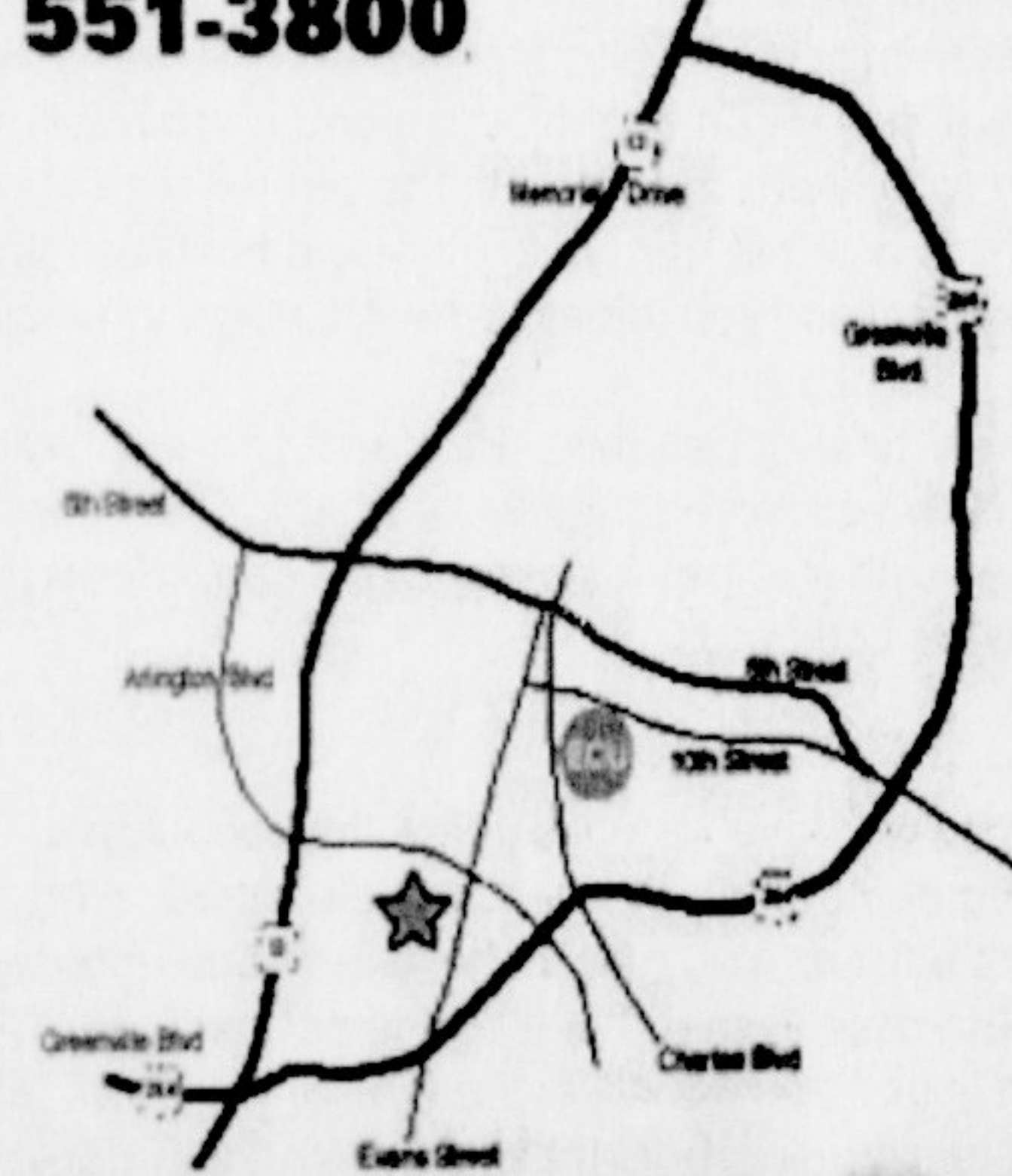
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The Greenville Recreation & Parks Department is recruiting part-time youth baseball coaches for the spring t-ball program. Applicants must possess a good knowledge of baseball skills and have the ability and patience to work with youth. Hours are from 3:30 pm to 8:00 pm, Monday-Friday with some weekend coaching. Flexible hours according to class schedules. This program will run from April 19, early June. Salary start at \$6.25 per hour. Apply at the City of Greenville, Human Resources Department, 201 Martin L. King Dr. For more information, please contact the Athletic Office at 329-4550, Monday through Friday, 10 am until 7 pm.

International Public Utility Expanding. We need reps who can work PT/FT> From home or dorm. Call 1-866-873-8722.

Restaurant Assistant Manager needed at Professor O'Cool's. Apply after 2 p.m. in person. Shifts will be nights and weekends. Some bartending experience needed.

Wait staff needed at Professor O'Cool's. must be available for two lunch shifts by 11:45 M-F. Apply in person after 2 p.m. Will work nights and weekends.

Greenville Recreation and Parks Department is seeking scorekeepers for their Adult Spring/Summer Softball Leagues. Applicants must possess knowledge of adult slow pitch softball and scorekeeping duties. Games are played Monday through Thursday. Each scorekeeper can expect three games per night. Rate of pay is

\$7.00 per game. Leagues will play from April 26 until the end of July. Interested applicants can contact the Athletic Staff at 329-4550 to arrange an interview and/or receive additional information.

Wanted! Reliable, honest, energetic people to monitor crops. From May through August, 2004. We train! Must have own dependable vehicle. Learn to ID insects, weeds and other field conditions. No Nights. Hourly pay + mileage. Must be 19 or have 1 year of college. Mail or fax resume with cover letter and work experience to: MCSI, POB 370, Cove City, NC 28523 Fax: 252-637-2125 mmclawhorn@mcsiag.com

Lifeguards and swim instructors needed. Call 355-5009. Summer only, interviews April 5th-9th.

College student wanted to watch and provide transportation for 15 and 12 year olds this summer. Reliable transportation and good driving record required. Call 756-7502.

Two (2) part-time positions available. Shifts will be 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. and 1:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. plus every other Saturday. Duties include answering phones as well as other clerical duties for staff. Knowledge of Microsoft Word and Excel a must. Applications being accepted at Greenville Pool & Supply Co. 3730 S. Charles Blvd., Greenville, between 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.

Responsible ECU student needed to spend weekday afternoon caring for a bright and friendly 6 year-old girl. Student must have a valid NC driver's license, clean driving record, and be able to provide references. Education majors, family development, or students who have experience as nannies or sitters preferred. Position

available beginning early June. Call 531-9426 and ask for Carol.

GREEK PERSONALS

ECU Panhellenic would like to congratulate to following sisters of the week and new members of the week. Alpha Delta Pi: S- Shannon Jones, NM- Mollie Murray; Alpha Omicron Pi: S- Stephanie Simcox; Alpha Phi: S- Tonya Wilkerson and Katy Todd; Alpha Xi Delta: S- Courtney Haugney; Chi Omega: S- Emily Nelson, NM- Kacie Powinale; Delta Zeta: S- Jen Hill; Kappa Delta: S- Amy Vandenberg, NM- Hannah Lilley; Sigma Sigma Sigma- S- Maureen Powers, NM- Kylie Belcher; Zeta Tau Alpha: S- Aimee Dorall, NM- Cayce Cummings.

Congratulations on Kappa Delta's new house girls! All the hard work has finally paid off. It's about time!

Congratulations Amanda Gibbons on being named a Kappa Delta CDC! Love your KD sisters!

The sisters of Kappa Delta would like to thank PIKA for the snacks and drinks they brought out to shamrocks. Thanks guys!

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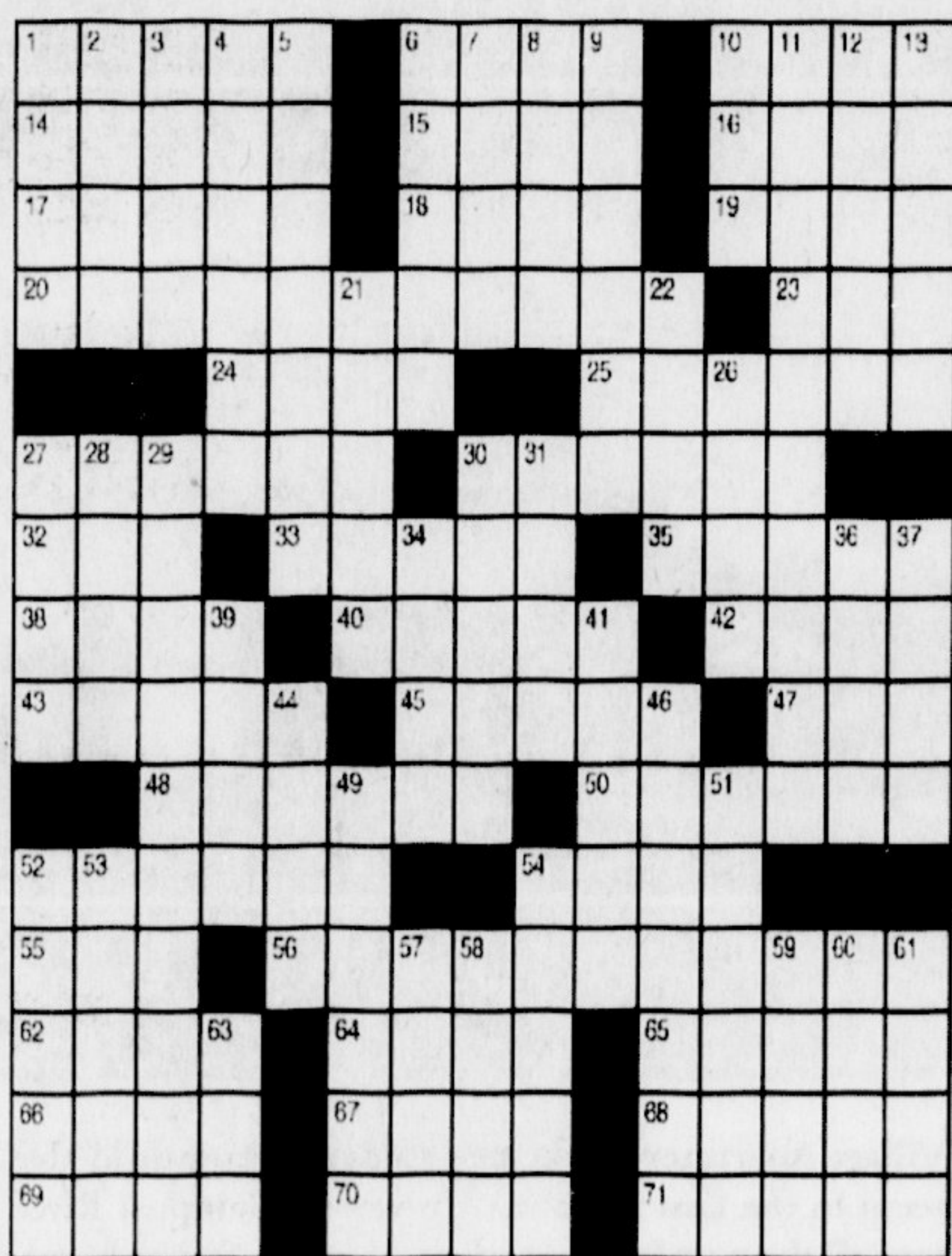
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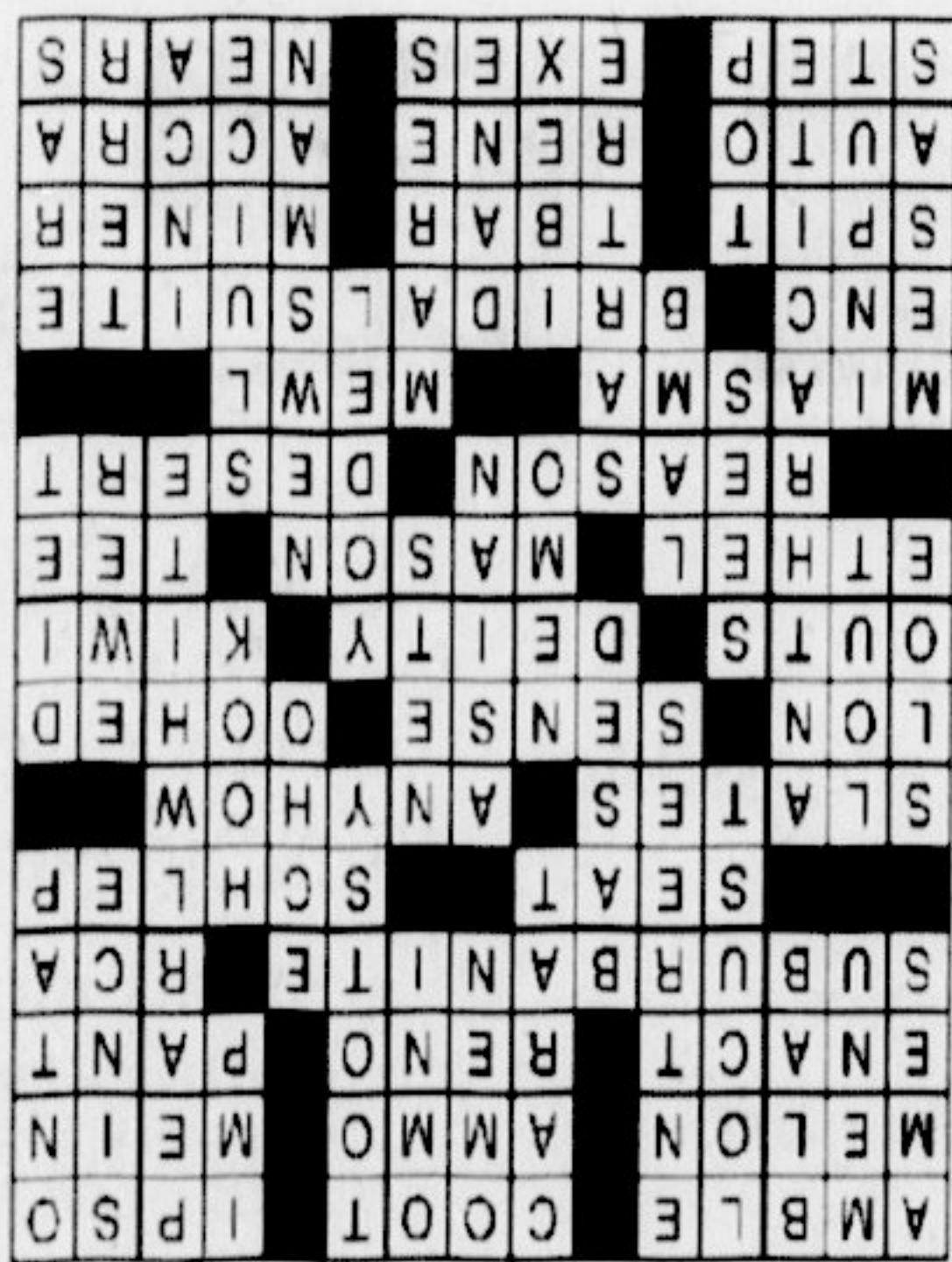
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 - 2 Restaurant reading
 - 3 Spill the beans
 - 4 Migratory grasshopper
 - 5 Main dishes
 - 6 Jewel weight
 - 7 Portent
 - 8 Science magazine
 - 9 Baby's foot
 - 10 Mischievous child
 - 11 "Perils of Pauline" star
 - 12 Between then and now
 - 13 Scheduled next
 - 21 Stationed
 - 22 Sound on the rebound
 - 26 Catchy refrain
 - 27 Blackthorn
 - 28 Clumsy oaf
 - 29 Kind of coal
 - 30 Oriental
 - 31 Trawlers' needs
 - 34 "Nautilus" captain
 - 36 Water pitcher
 - 37 of Worms
 - 39 Comprehends
 - 41 Tyrolean tune
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 - 54 Stable mothers
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Solutions



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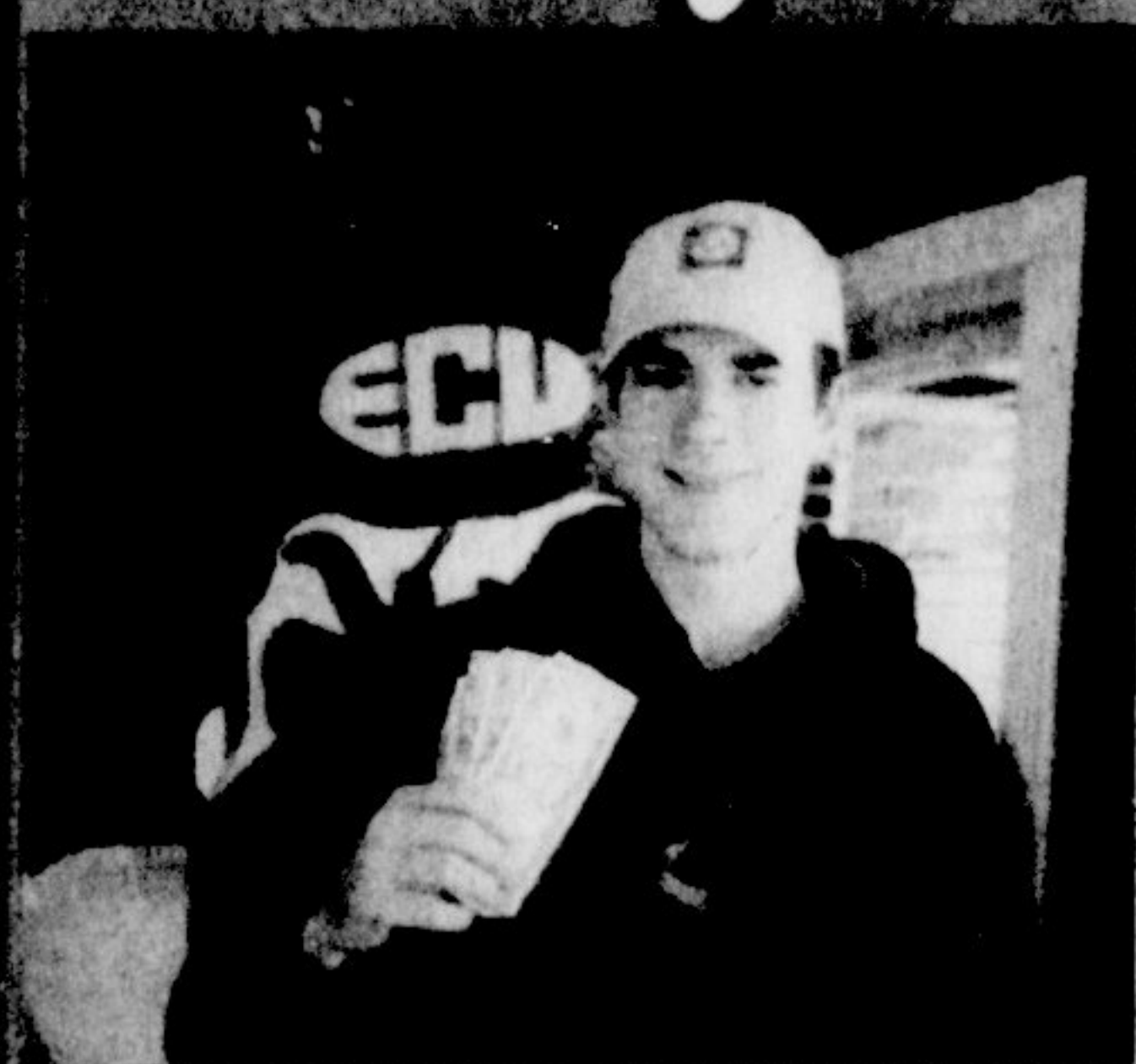
We want to see your photos of this year at ECU. The East Carolinian is putting together a retrospective of this year at ECU to be published in our commencement edition.

This look back wouldn't be complete without your favorite photo taken during an event or activity this school year. You can submit a conventional photo print or a digital file. Please include a note with the photo and tell us your name, the name(s) of anyone clearly pictured in the shot and where/when it was taken.

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