



## Step show features Greeks' talent



Photos by Alan Halton



For Greek Week, fraternity and sorority members show off their hard work and skills during a step show in Mingos Coliseum. This was just one of more than 10 events planned for the week-long celebration of Greek life.

## International Fest returns to Greenville

Event features tastes, sounds, sights of foreign cultures

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The smell of Japanese yakitori chicken and spicy Mexican tamales mixed with salsa music transformed Town Commons from a sedate, river-side park into a busy, international hub Saturday afternoon.

Bright sun and temperatures near 80 degrees brought the crowds out for Greenville's International Fest.

Walkways overflowing with people were difficult to navigate. Luckily, there was room to stretch out in the grass in front of the amphitheater and listen to Jamaican story tellers or the mariachi band.

Local businesses, such as Swiss Chalet and El Ranchito, brought food to the event, which seemed to be one of the biggest draws among the crowd.

"I just wanted to see what kind of countries' foods they would have," said Greenville resident Rosemary Winn.

Other visitors were pulled in when they heard about the event in local media.

"I heard about it on the radio, and my friend invited me so I thought I would come," said Diane Nelson, another local resident.

Crafts such as handmade Argentinean tables, chairs, figurines and other ethnic goods, such as Jamaican shirts, were available for purchase.

Kids could participate in the action with a children's origami booth setup to teach them the decorative paper art form.

This is the first time in two years the International Festival has lived up downtown.

The celebration of the area's international diversity disappeared after 2001, when a lack of funding prevented it from happening in 2002 and 2003.

But this year, with grants from organizations like Uptown Greenville, Pitt County and ECU united to make sure the festival's absence did not continue to three years.

"The city was the primary sponsor [in previous years] and really did not have the money to do it, but they have since received the money, and it was budgeted out for them to have the festival this year," said Bill Mallett, international student adviser at the International House.

ECU had a hand in the organization and funding of the event, and Mallett said Pat Dunn, Ph.D., a Greenville city council member-at-large and faculty member in ECU's Department of Health Education, played an integral role in bringing it about.

There were also a number of campus organizations that got involved.

"ECU Student Union...brought in a Caribbean steel drum band... International Affairs helped out sponsoring, but we considered it a whole ECU effort," Mallett said.

He said that the German Club and Chinese Student Association were involved. The Education Club and School of Social Work showed up to highlight education and social work around the globe.

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## Board selects media heads for 2004-05

### Campus radio station awaits new leadership

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The student and faculty Media Board met Thursday in closed session to appoint new leadership for the four student media organizations at ECU.

The nine-member board interviewed applicants vying for the position of editor-in-chief of *The East Carolinian*, general manager of both *Expressions* and *The Rebel* and station manager of WZMB.

"All the applicants were well-qualified," said Ian Baer, student body president and chairman of the Media Board.

"Everyone had good experience. The interview played a role in our decision, but when taking on a role in one of these jobs, experience is key. I think we made the right decisions."

For the position of editor-in-chief at *TEC*, two students, both of whom currently hold positions

there, applied for the job to take over when Michelle McLeod, the current editor, graduates in May.

Tanesha Sistrunk, a second-degree Art major and current photo editor at *TEC*, was one of the applicants.

"I want to continue the growth of this paper. I want ECU students to reconnect with us," said Sistrunk.

"Much of that contact has been lost over the years. Readership is not as high as we would like, and *The East Carolinian* should give students the ability to voice their opinions. I think my management experience and outgoing personality could really help in this effort."

Running against Sistrunk was Amanda Lingerfelt, junior communication major and current features editor at *TEC*.

"We've built a strong foundation at *TEC* over the last year," said Lingerfelt.

"I would continue to improve on that foundation. Staff training and organization are extremely important to me, and getting more students to read the paper should be our



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ultimate goal."

After the interview process, the Board offered the position of *TEC*'s editor-in-chief to Lingerfelt. She will assume her new position at the end of the spring semester.

Media Board members reelected Michael Ashby, the current general manager of *Expressions*, the on-campus minority magazine to the managerial post.

"With *Expressions*, we hope to always be presenting new



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information to our readers, and I would really like to incorporate more minority perspectives," said Ashby.

"We want a mosaic of this campus represented, not just two or three groups. That is probably my main focus with the paper."

Jason Alexander, senior communication major, was also reconfirmed to continue his position as general manager of the yearly ECU literary journal, *The Rebel*.

And although the Media



ASHBY

Board interviewed several applicants for the station manager of the student radio station, WZMB, the board failed to elect a person to the position.

Citing the need for more time to consider the applicants, board members will make their final decision Tuesday, April 27, at their weekly meeting in Mendenhall.

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## Masked gunman robs 10th Street Krispy Kreme

### Hundreds stolen, employee unharmed

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A gunman wearing a ski mask entered the back door of Krispy Kreme Doughnuts early Monday morning, fired a shot into the floor and escaped with about \$600.

According to police reports, the man was described as black and carrying a revolver. He entered the

store around 1:50 a.m., fired one shot and demanded the employee give him cash.

A more specific physical description was unavailable at presstime.

Christopher Pavon, 17, said his father, Jorge Pavon, Krispy Kreme's assistant manager, told him the man made off with about \$600.

Christopher said the perpetrator came through the backdoor and said, "Gimme all your cash."

Christopher said his father was cleaning the floor at the time.

Jorge Pavon would not comment on the incident.

Market Manager for Krispy Kreme Amanda Tilley said the store hasn't had any problems with robberies in the past.

"This is the first time this has happened," said Tilley.

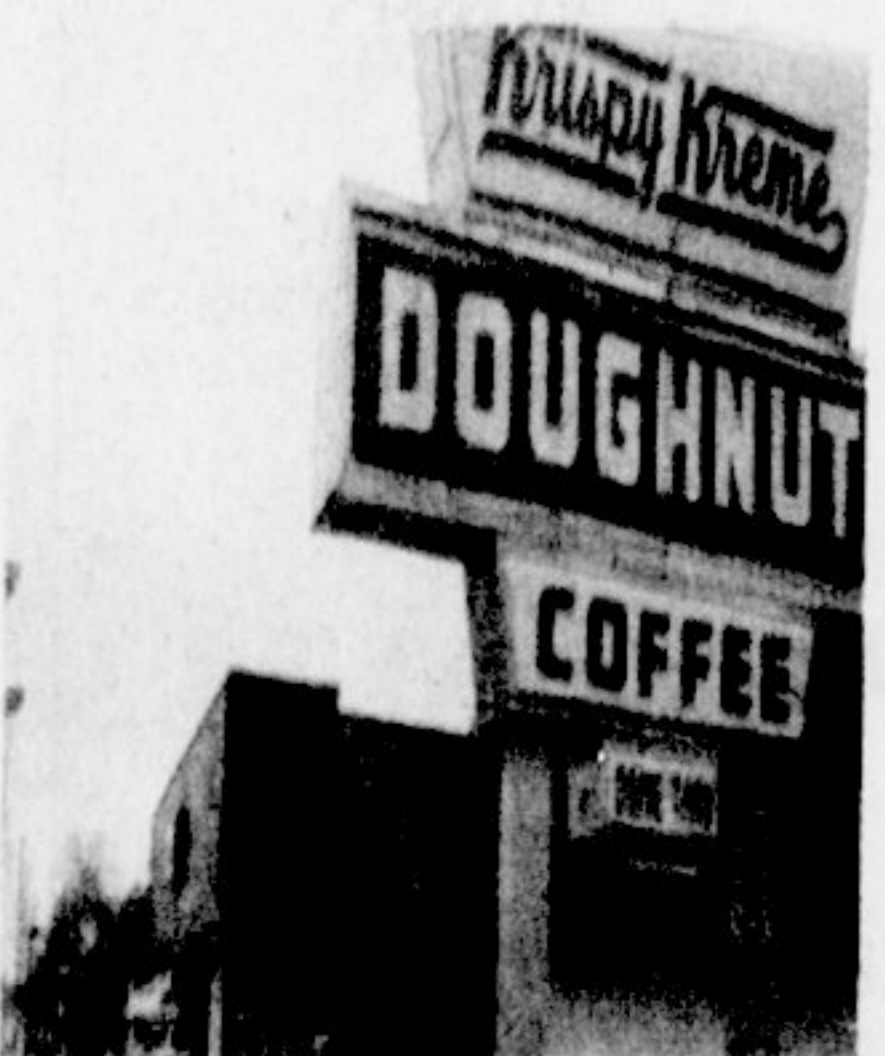
Greenville police officers "are a strong presence" at Krispy Kreme, according to

Tilley. She said that there are usually two or three employees working at most times.

Tilley declined to give specific details about the robbery but said the matter is being investigated by the Greenville Police Department.

"We are working with police to make sure our customers are safe," Tilley said.

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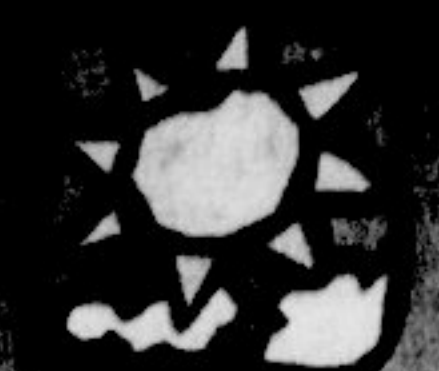


Krispy Kreme was robbed early Monday morning.

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**Sexual Assault Awareness**  
throughout April

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Visit [www.theeastcarolinian.com](http://www.theeastcarolinian.com) to read about Pfc. Keith Maupin, being held captive in Iraq.



**News** page A2  
The SGA may be able to give out only \$145,000 to student organizations in 2004-05.



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"Friends," the number one sitcom for young adults for the past five years is calling it quits on Thursday, May 6.



**Sports** page B5  
After an amazing weekend of play, ECU's Pirates moved up six spots to number nine in the national rankings.



**FYM**  
Musicalist Craig Ranges will read minds, bend spoons and make tables float in Hendrix Theatre tonight at 8 p.m.



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## Announcements

### Technology Presentation

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### 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 today at 3 p.m. in 221 Mendenhall.

### Augustine Lecture

Meredith J. Gill, assistant professor of art history at Notre Dame University, will lecture on "Augustine's Renaissance" Wednesday at 4:30 p.m. in 1032 Bate.

### Oratorical Exhibition

The School of Communication sponsors an oratorical exhibition Thursday 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 from 2 p.m. - 3 p.m. in 1012 Bate to assist students looking for co-op and internship opportunities.

### Physics Colloquium

C. Ruth Kempf, Ph.D., physics professor, will speak on nuclear security in Russia and give an overview of ECU's Center for Security Studies and Research Friday at 3:15 p.m. in E-213 Howell. Refreshments will be served at 3 p.m.

### Technology and Teaching

3D visualization in classrooms will be discussed at "Conversations about Teaching with Technology" Friday from 2:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. in 307 Science and Technology Building.

### Education Graduate Fair

The College of Education will hold a graduate program fair Saturday from 9 a.m. - noon in 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.

### Dive for a Cure

SCUBA divers from ECU will raise money for the American Cancer Society Saturday from 9 a.m. - 9 p.m. at Minges Coliseum pool. Games and events will be provided. All certified divers can participate. Contact Jamie LeLievre at 327-3391 for more information.

### Dances of Universal Peace

The Dances of Universal Peace - sacred dances that honor the world's spiritual traditions through song, gentle dance and contemplation - will be Saturday from 4 p.m. - 6 p.m. in 244 MSC.

### Deadline

Monday, April 26 is the last day to submit grade replacement requests.

### Classes End

Monday, April 26 is the last day of classes.

### Medical Mind

The medical class of 2004 presents its play, "The Medical Mind," Monday, April 26 and Tuesday, April 27, at 7 p.m. in Brody Auditorium.

### Teaching Awards

The eighth annual Teaching Awards Ceremony is Tuesday, April 27 at 11 a.m. in the MSC Great Room. A reception hosted by Interim Chancellor William Shelton will follow. Contact the Faculty Senate office at 328-6537 for more information.

### Reading Day

Tuesday, April 27 is reading day.

### Regular exams

Regular exams begin Wednesday, April 28 and end Wednesday, May 5 at 10 a.m.

### Graduation

Commencement is Saturday, May 8 in Williams Arena at Minges Coliseum. The morning ceremony begins at 9:30 a.m. The afternoon ceremony begins at 1:30 p.m. Register on OneStop.

### Chemistry Placement Test

The chemistry placement test will be Monday, May 17 from 10 a.m. - 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. - 3 p.m. in 00309 Science and Technology Building. Students must arrive 10 minutes prior to testing and bring a No. 2 pencil and a nonprogrammable calculator.

### Paper Person

The student at the top of today's paper is Pamela Johnson, senior English major.

## News Briefs

### Local

#### Duke looking for ways to get students to sleep more

DURHAM (AP) - Duke University is trying to come up with a way to help sleep-deprived college students who survive on a mix of caffeine, adrenaline and ambition. The school is eliminating 8 a.m. classes because so few students are interested in taking them and is considering new orientation programs this fall that would help freshmen understand the importance of sleep. Lack of sleep among college students is an old problem, but one that appears to be getting worse, according to some national surveys. College students sleep an average of six to seven hours a night, down from seven to seven and a half in the 1980s. Last month, college administrators gathered at the University of Michigan for a national conference on sleep, stress, depression and college students. Sleep deprivation can hurt academic performance and increase stress levels.

#### Busload of NC teenagers overturns in France

PARIS (AP) - A bus carrying a group of teenage soccer players from North Carolina overturned in a ditch east of Paris on Sunday, killing at least one person and seriously injuring three others, officials said. The roads were wet from overnight rain, but authorities in the Seine-et-Marne region said it was not immediately clear why the tour bus, carrying about 34 people - including two drivers - fell over along a curve in a highway near Mitry-Mory, east

of Paris.

Thirteen-year-old Matt Helms died, and at least two of his teammates suffered serious injuries, North Carolina soccer officials said Sunday.

Helms' coach, Ray Colley, recalled meeting the then-ten-year-old at a team tryout.

"I can remember going home to my wife and saying, 'That goalkeeper can really play,'" Colley said from the Helms family home in Jacksonville, NC.

Helms, who excelled at shot blocking, played year-round for the OCSA Coastal Crew out of Jacksonville, Colley said.

Colley said the teenager had been hand-picked as one of only two goalies for a statewide "Olympics Development" team, sponsored by the North Carolina Youth Soccer Association.

He said the youths had been in Europe over the past 10 days for a series of matches and were on their way to the airport when the bus overturned. French officials said excessive speed may have played a part in the accident.

### National

#### Without high-profile violence, some fear school safety getting short shrift

DENVER (AP) - When 16-year-old Sean Fitzpatrick walked into his Spokane, Wash., high school last fall and fired a shot into a classroom wall, authorities quickly responded.

School officials evacuated 2,000 students and within 15 minutes of the first 911 call, a SWAT team had contained the teenager inside a chemistry lab.

Although the Spokane school was well-prepared, experts warned as the five-year anniversary of the Columbine High School massacre approached Tuesday that the focus on school security has declined.

#### Ridge forms task force to bolster security for attractive terrorist targets

WASHINGTON (AP) - With an eye on a large number of symbolic gatherings, Homeland Security Secretary Tom Ridge is forming a new government task force to better coordinate public and private security - and hopefully prevent the next terrorist attack. Beginning with the dedication of the new World War II Memorial in Washington over the Memorial Day weekend, Ridge said high-profile public events this year may be attractive targets for al-Qaida and like-minded terrorist groups.

"We are rich with opportunities this year for terrorists to shake our will," Ridge said in a telephone interview Sunday.

"The message is that Homeland Security doesn't wait to raise the threat level in order to make us safer and more secure."

"We are going to increase our vigilance," he said later.

### World

#### Appeals bench reduces sentence in only Balkan genocide conviction

THE HAGUE, Netherlands (AP) - The U.N. war crimes tribunal reduced the prison sentence of a Bosnian Serb general convicted of genocide by 11 years to 35 years in a decision that could influence future cases.

Radislav Krstic, 56, was sentenced in August 2001 to 46 years in prison for playing a pivotal role in the slaughter of at least 7,500 Bosnian Muslim men in the U.N.-protected zone of Srebrenica during one blood-soaked week in July 1995.

So far the only Balkan war criminal convicted of genocide, he appealed in November on several grounds, asking in particular that the court clarify its definition of genocide.

The appeals chamber, whose decision is final, overturned Krstic's conviction as a "principle perpetrator" of genocide and lowered his prison term after determining that he was guilty of "aiding and abetting genocide," a lesser crime that was not included in his original indictment.

#### Israeli says it will invest tens of millions of dollars in West Bank settlements

JERUSALEM (AP) - Israel will invest tens of millions of dollars in West Bank settlements even as it pulls out of the Gaza Strip and a few other settlements, Finance Minister Benjamin Netanyahu said Monday. Israeli Prime Minister Ariel Sharon has proposed removing all settlements in Gaza, as well as four in the West Bank, and rapidly completing a separation barrier Israel is building in the West Bank.

Palestinians fear the move will strengthen Israel's hold over the rest of the West Bank, which they want as part of a future state.

Netanyahu announced his support for Sharon's plan Sunday, giving it a crucial boost in an upcoming referendum among the 200,000 members of Sharon's hard-line Likud party.

## ECU professors, attorney examine 'separate but equal' court decision

Discussion honors 50th anniversary of desegregation

MIKE WIGGINS  
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In honor of the Supreme Court decision that ruled against "separate but equal," ECU has invited community members to speak on the judgment's effect on the country.

David Dennard, Tinsley Yarborough and attorney Robert White will be demonstrating the significance of the decision made in the *Brown v. Board of Education* case on May 17, 1954.

The case began with a lawsuit filed by the Brown family when its daughter was denied admission to a white elementary school. The National Association for the Advancement of Colored People took this on, along with similar arguments across the country.



The 1954 ruling made equal education accessible to all.

The cases were argued in December of 1952 by Thurgood Marshall, head of the NAACP.

The decision affected more than those who were directly involved.

Its results had wide-ranging social, political, educational and historical results.

Panel members will talk about how the decision affected the children involved, segregation, advantages

and disadvantages of desegregated schools and the similarities concerning other cases.

They will also examine how *Brown v. Board of Education* affects today's society.

Yokima Cureton, director of communication for the College of Education, said one of the event's organizers said it's our academic community's responsibility to embrace diversity.

"We are the voice of the future, and it is very important that students attend so we can open their eyes," said Cureton.

Dennard and Yarborough will speak about the line of events that led up to *Brown v. Board of Education*, including preceding court cases and politics.

"Tangible or intangible, segregation was a powerful thing back in the fifties, regarding every aspect of society."

With schools and education being the primary cause for concern throughout this era, this court case was definitely one of the most important," said Yarborough.

"The presentation definitely pertains to all, and students, among faculty and staff, are highly encouraged to attend."

The discussion will be today at 3 p.m. in 221 Mendenhall, and there is no cost.

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## SGA may have to reconsider funding

Senators await administrators' decision

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Due to budget constraints, Student Government Association may be able to give out only \$145,000 to student organizations for 2004-05, even though \$375,000 was requested.

Eight-two organizations asked for SGA funds this year - thirty more than last year.

Jane Ferguson, adviser to SGA, told the Senate there may need to be adjustments to the funding process.

Since the Board of Governors ruled that student fees be reduced by \$4, there are fewer SGA funds this year than in the past.

Ferguson did not know exactly where the budget would be cut.

However, she said the student fee for SGA may be reduced.

The SGA passed all the funding requests in a blanket amendment.

Administrators will meet today to decide where the cut in student fees will be. This could affect the amount of money that SGA will be able to give to organizations.

In light of this, the



SGA senators met to discuss funding for student clubs last night in Mendenhall.

Senate added a stipulation to its funding approvals so they can be modified pending the administrative decision.

The SGA was also asked to consider funding a new child care center.

Nancy Lee, Child Development and Family Relations professor, spoke to the Senate about ECU's need for such a center.

She said the child care center would benefit both students and staff.

Lee said that the facility could have a potential

capacity for 130 children and be open from 6:45 a.m. to 6:15 p.m.

She said the hours would be modified as necessary to best accommodate users.

The childcare center was unanimously endorsed by the Faculty Senate and approved by Interim Chancellor William Shelton.

However, no funding has been set aside for the project.

The building would initially cost about \$1.3 million. Lee came to the Senate to request a \$2 student fee.

The fee would provide \$50,000 for the project.

In other business, Elections Chair April Paul spoke to the Senate about the March elections.

She said the election committee was making changes to require greater accountability for candidates or campaign workers who break election rules.

Paul said establishing this precedent would protect the elections' integrity.

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# NPR correspondent highlights justice in segregation case

*Speaker urges ECU students to become more politically active*

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A respected author, journalist and political analyst encouraged students to follow the example of "ultimate frat boy"-turned social activist Supreme Court Justice Thurgood Marshall in a lecture last week.

National Public Radio Senior Correspondent Juan Williams spoke about Marshall and his significance in the *Brown v. Board of Education* decision, which led to the desegregation of schools.

Turner said Marshall served as one of the Supreme Court justices when the *Brown v. Board*

of Education decision was made on May 17, 1954.

Williams' lecture focused on Marshall's key role in establishing equality among minorities in the United States.

Williams said Marshall has often been depicted as a "prankster" who had no real role in the Supreme Court other than being the first African-American justice, in order to make the president at the time of his appointment look good.

During the lecture, Williams spoke about Marshall's transition from a young, bright college student interested in partying to a scholar interested in social justice.

In the midst of Marshall's junior year in college, Marshall began writing opinions and articles focusing on political and racial issues in the school newspaper, Williams

said.

"I think you could see Marshall's growth," Williams said.

"You could see that he's opening his eyes, you could see that he's coming to understand his power to make a difference on very difficult issues - issues that he preferred not to see for a time."

Williams said he wishes more college-aged students would open their eyes as well.

Lathan Turner, director of Intercultural Student Affairs, said Williams spoke to more than 200 people, about two thirds of which were students.

Williams said, television inhibits young people's development of a political mind.

He pointed out that certain shows like "Seinfeld," "Friends" and "The O.C."

all have characters concerned only with themselves and other members of their clique, while they are never concerned with political issues.

Shows such as these invite cynicism and skepticism about those who talk of political issues, and in the process degrades political activism said Williams.

Williams encouraged students to become politically active.

The challenge is in your face, though many choose to close their eyes and ignore it, he said.

"Open your eyes and put your hands in the clay, and begin to shape the future of this country... take the risk of standing up and speaking out."

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Juan Williams speaks to students about political activism.

## Bush bemoans pullout of Spanish troops from Iraq

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Bush scolded Spain's new prime minister Monday for his swift withdrawal of troops from Iraq and told him to avoid actions that give "false comfort to terrorists or enemies of freedom in Iraq."

Bush expressed his views in a five-minute telephone call with Prime Minister Jose Luis Rodriguez Zapatero, who on Sunday ordered the 1,300 troops to return home as soon as possible.

Zapatero placed the call to Bush and the president "expressed his regret to President Zapatero about the decision to abruptly announce the pullout of Spanish troops from Iraq," White House press secretary Scott McClellan said.

"The president urged that the Spanish withdrawal take place in a coordinated manner that

does not put at risk other coalition forces in Iraq," McClellan said.

"The president stressed the importance of carefully considering future actions to avoid giving false comfort to terrorists or enemies of freedom in Iraq," McClellan said.

Separately, Sen. John Kerry, the presumptive Democratic nominee for president, also deplored Spain's move.

"I regret Prime Minister Zapatero's decision," Kerry said.

"Spain and all the world have an interest in rebuilding an Iraq that is not a haven for terrorists and a failed state. I had hoped the prime minister would have reconsidered his position, and I hope that in the days ahead the United States and the world can work with him to find a way to keep Spain

engaged in the efforts in Iraq."

"Rather than losing partners, I believe its critical that we find new coalition partners to share the burden in Iraq," Kerry said.

"We need to offer to share responsibilities with the United Nations, NATO and others, so they will work with us in Iraq to achieve security, stability, and freedom."

Zapatero issued the recall on Sunday just hours after his government was sworn in. He said there was no sign

the United States would meet his demand for United Nations control of the postwar occupation - his ultimatum for keeping troops there.

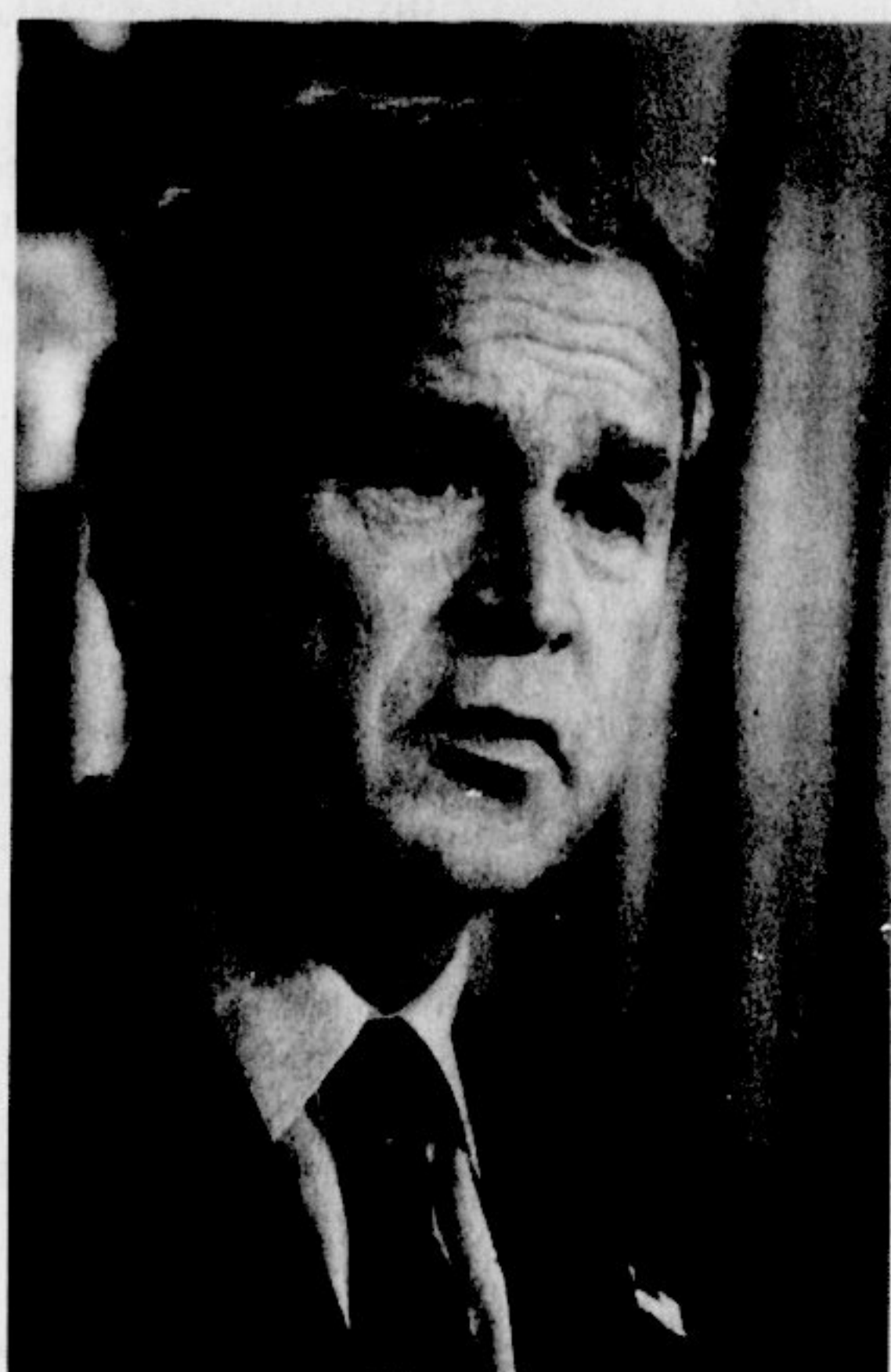
Zapatero's Socialist party won the March 14 general election amid allegations that outgoing Prime Minister Jose Maria Aznar, by backing the war in Iraq, had provoked commuter-train terrorist bombings that killed 191 people three days before the vote.

Though Zapatero, a 43-year-old lawyer and career politician, had promised to remove Spanish troops, his immediate action was a setback for the United States, which has been eager to portray the effort in Iraq as an international cause even though it is dominated by its 130,000 American troops.

Spain's foreign minister, Miguel Moratinos Moratinos, is to travel to Washington to discuss the dispute with Secretary of State Colin Powell. He was scheduled to leave Tuesday.

McClellan refused to characterize the tone of the two leaders' exchange, but Bush's words were unusually sharp by any standard.

Asked if the discussion was chilly or businesslike, McClellan said, "No, look, I think we've made it very clear we'll continue to work with Spain in the war on terrorism. Obviously the president expressed his regret at the abrupt decision to withdraw. But the coalition in Iraq is strong. We appreciate recent statements by many of the coalition nations expressing their solidarity and resolve."



Bush scolded Spain's new prime minister for taking troops out of Iraq.

## Kerry criticizes Bush's ability to build international relationships

PALM BEACH, Fla. (AP) — Democratic presidential candidate John Kerry on Monday

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criticized President Bush's efforts to build international relations and continued to call for bringing more countries into the effort to stabilize Iraq.

"Every president of the last century did a better job than this president" in building relationships with other nations, Kerry said during a breakfast where he raised \$250,000 for his campaign.

"I know I can make America stronger, safer and more secure."

One of Kerry's former rivals for the nomination, Sen. Joe Lieberman, D-Conn., joined Kerry for a rally at Palm Beach before Kerry took his campaign to Atlanta. Lieberman is likely to play an important role in Kerry's bid to win the state that decided the 2000 election for Bush, largely because he has a strong following in Florida's Jewish community.

Kerry, who contended he had a "100 percent record" in support of Israel, said he would end what he called a "sweetheart relationship" that allows money to flow from Arab countries to terrorists.

"We need a president who's prepared to stand up and lead the world to a more responsible place to create an entity to make peace within the Middle East," he said.

During a noisy rally before



Presidential hopeful John Kerry is critical of Bush's foreign policy.

thousands of students at the University of Miami on Sunday, Kerry accused Bush of misleading not only the country but "even members of his own administration about what he was planning to do in Iraq."

"The American people, with respect to issues of war and peace, are owed the truth, the whole truth and nothing but the truth," he said.

Kerry sat for a one-hour interview on NBC's "Meet the Press," where he repeated his pledge to create 10 million jobs and cut the deficit in half within four years if he wins the White House. He conceded that soaring deficits might make him scale back some proposals.

In the interview, Kerry said Bush "misled America" by rushing to war. He pledged to build an international coalition while continuing to prosecute the war - increasing troop levels if needed - because stability in Iraq is essen-

tial. The problems in Iraq are only part of a foreign policy by Bush that has left the nation isolated, Kerry said.

"I think this administration has proven, frankly, stunningly ineffective in diplomacy," he said.

Kerry cited Bush's policy change on Israel last week in which he endorsed a plan by Prime Minister Ariel Sharon to hold on to lands seized in the 1967 Middle East War. "There were Arab leaders that were taken by surprise by this announcement," Kerry said, although he also said he endorsed the move.

"I will immediately reach out to other nations in a very different way from this administration," he said.

"Within weeks of being inaugurated I will return to the U.N. and I will rejoin the community of nations."

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### Technology Presentation

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### 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 today at 3 p.m. in 221 Mendenhall.

### Augustine Lecture

Meredith J. Gill, assistant professor of art history at Notre Dame University, will lecture on "Augustine's Renaissance" Wednesday at 4:30 p.m. in 1032 Bate.

### Oratorical Exhibition

The School of Communication sponsors an oratorical exhibition Thursday 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 from 2 p.m. - 3 p.m. in 1012 Bate to assist students looking for co-op and internship opportunities.

### Physics Colloquium

C. Ruth Kempf, Ph.D., physics professor, will speak on nuclear security in Russia and give an overview of ECU's Center for Security Studies and Research Friday at 3:15 p.m. in E-213 Howell. Refreshments will be served at 3 p.m.

### Technology and Teaching

3D visualization in classrooms will be discussed at "Conversations about Teaching with Technology" Friday from 2:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. in 307 Science and Technology Building.

### Education Graduate Fair

The College of Education will hold a graduate program fair Saturday from 9 a.m. - noon in 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.

### Dive for a Cure

SCUBA divers from ECU will raise money for the American Cancer Society Saturday from 9 a.m. - 9 p.m. at Minges Coliseum pool. Games and events will be provided. All certified divers can participate. Contact Jamie LeLievre at 327-3391 for more information.

### Dances of Universal Peace

The Dances of Universal Peace - sacred dances that honor the world's spiritual traditions through song, gentle dance and contemplation - will be Saturday from 4 p.m. - 6 p.m. in 244 MSC.

### Deadline

Monday, April 26 is the last day to submit grade replacement requests.

### Classes End

Monday, April 26 is the last day of classes.

### Medical Mind

The medical class of 2004 presents its play, "The Medical Mind," Monday, April 26 and Tuesday, April 27, at 7 p.m. in Brody Auditorium.

### Teaching Awards

The eighth annual Teaching Awards Ceremony is Tuesday, April 27 at 11 a.m. in the MSC Great Room. A reception hosted by interim Chancellor William Shelton will follow. Contact the Faculty Senate office at 328-6537 for more information.

### Reading Day

Tuesday, April 27 is reading day.

### Regular exams

Regular exams begin Wednesday, April 28 and end Wednesday, May 5 at 10 a.m.

### Graduation

Commencement is Saturday, May 8 in Williams Arena at Minges Coliseum. The morning ceremony begins at 9:30 a.m. The afternoon ceremony begins at 1:30 p.m. Register on OneStop.

### Chemistry Placement Test

The chemistry placement test will be Monday, May 17 from 10 a.m. - 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. - 3 p.m. in 00309 Science and Technology Building. Students must arrive 10 minutes prior to testing and bring a No. 2 pencil and a nonprogrammable calculator.

### Paper Person

The student at the top of today's paper is Pamela Johnson, senior English major.

## News Briefs

### Local

#### Duke looking for ways to get students to sleep more

DURHAM (AP) - Duke University is trying to come up with a way to help sleep-deprived college students who survive on a mix of caffeine, adrenaline and ambition. The school is eliminating 8 a.m. classes because so few students are interested in taking them and is considering new orientation programs this fall that would help freshmen understand the importance of sleep. Lack of sleep among college students is an old problem, but one that appears to be getting worse, according to some national surveys. College students sleep an average of six to seven hours a night, down from seven to seven and a half in the 1980s. Last month, college administrators gathered at the University of Michigan for a national conference on sleep, stress, depression and college students. Sleep deprivation can hurt academic performance and increase stress levels.

#### Busload of NC teenagers overturns in France

PARIS (AP) - A bus carrying a group of teenage soccer players from North Carolina overturned in a ditch east of Paris on Sunday, killing at least one person and seriously injuring three others, officials said. The roads were wet from overnight rain, but authorities in the Seine-et-Marne region said it was not immediately clear why the tour bus, carrying about 34 people - including two drivers - fell over along a curve in a highway near Mitry-Mory, east

of Paris.

Thirteen-year-old Matt Helms died, and at least two of his teammates suffered serious injuries, North Carolina soccer officials said Sunday.

Helms' coach, Ray Colley, recalled meeting the then-ten-year-old at a team tryout.

"I can remember going home to my wife and saying, 'That goalkeeper can really play,'" Colley said from the Helms family home in Jacksonville, NC.

Helms, who excelled at shot blocking, played year-round for the OCSA Coastal Crew out of Jacksonville, Colley said.

Colley said the teenager had been hand-picked as one of only two goalies for a statewide "Olympics Development" team, sponsored by the North Carolina Youth Soccer Association.

He said the youths had been in Europe over the past 10 days for a series of matches and were on their way to the airport when the bus overturned. French officials said excessive speed may have played a part in the accident.

### National

#### Without high-profile violence, some fear school safety getting short shrift

DENVER (AP) - When 16-year-old Sean Fitzpatrick walked into his Spokane, Wash., high school last fall and fired a shot into a classroom wall, authorities quickly responded.

School officials evacuated 2,000 students and within 15 minutes of the first 911 call, a SWAT team had contained the teenager inside a chemistry lab.

Although the Spokane school was well-prepared, experts warned as the five-year anniversary of the Columbine High School massacre approached Tuesday that the focus on school security has declined.

#### Ridge forms task force to bolster security for attractive terrorist targets

WASHINGTON (AP) - With an eye on a large number of symbolic gatherings, Homeland Security Secretary Tom Ridge is forming a new government task force to better coordinate public and private security - and hopefully prevent the next terrorist attack. Beginning with the dedication of the new World War II Memorial in Washington over the Memorial Day weekend, Ridge said high-profile public events this year may be attractive targets for al-Qaida and like-minded terrorist groups.

"We are rich with opportunities this year for terrorists to shake our will," Ridge said in a telephone interview Sunday.

"The message is that Homeland Security doesn't wait to raise the threat level in order to make us safer and more secure."

"We are going to increase our vigilance," he said later.

### World

#### Appeals bench reduces sentence in only Balkan genocide conviction

THE HAGUE, Netherlands (AP) - The U.N. war crimes tribunal reduced the prison sentence of a Bosnian Serb general convicted of genocide by 11 years to 35 years in a decision that could influence future cases.

Radislav Krstic, 56, was sentenced in August 2001 to 46 years in prison for playing a pivotal role in the slaughter of at least 7,500 Bosnian Muslim men in the U.N.-protected zone of Srebrenica during one blood-soaked week in July 1995.

So far the only Balkan war criminal convicted of genocide, he appealed in November on several grounds, asking in particular that the court clarify its definition of genocide.

The appeals chamber, whose decision is final, overturned Krstic's conviction as a "principle perpetrator" of genocide and lowered his prison term after determining that he was guilty of "aiding and abetting genocide," a lesser crime that was not included in his original indictment.

#### Israel says it will invest tens of millions of dollars in West Bank settlements

JERUSALEM (AP) - Israel will invest tens of millions of dollars in West Bank settlements even as it pulls out of the Gaza Strip and a few other settlements, Finance Minister Benjamin Netanyahu said Monday. Israeli Prime Minister Ariel Sharon has proposed removing all settlements in Gaza, as well as four in the West Bank, and rapidly completing a separation barrier Israel is building in the West Bank.

Palestinians fear the move will strengthen Israel's hold over the rest of the West Bank, which they want as part of a future state.

Netanyahu announced his support for Sharon's plan Sunday, giving it a crucial boost in an upcoming referendum among the 200,000 members of Sharon's hard-line Likud party.

# ECU professors, attorney examine 'separate but equal' court decision

Discussion honors 50th anniversary of desegregation

MIKE WIGGINS  
STAFF WRITER

In honor of the Supreme Court decision that ruled against "separate but equal," ECU has invited community members to speak on the judgment's effect on the country.

David Dennard, Tinsley Yarborough and attorney Robert White will be demonstrating the significance of the decision made in the *Brown v. Board of Education* case on May 17, 1954.

The case began with a lawsuit filed by the Brown family when its daughter was denied admission to a white elementary school. The National Association for the Advancement of Colored People took this on, along with similar arguments across the country.



The 1954 ruling made equal education accessible to all.

The cases were argued in December of 1952 by Thurgood Marshall, head of the NAACP.

The decision affected more than those who were directly involved.

Its results had wide-ranging social, political, educational and historical results.

Panel members will talk about how the decision affected the children involved, segregation, advantages

and disadvantages of desegregated schools and the similarities concerning other cases.

They will also examine how *Brown v. Board of Education* affects today's society.

Yokima Cureton, director of communication for the College of Education, said one of the event's organizers said it's our academic community's responsibility to embrace diversity.

"We are the voice of the future, and it is very important that students attend so we can open their eyes," said Cureton.

Dennard and Yarborough will speak about the line of events that led up to *Brown v. Board of Education*, including preceding court cases and politics.

"Tangible or intangible, segregation was a powerful thing back in the fifties, regarding every aspect of society."

With schools and education being the primary cause for concern throughout this era, this court case was definitely one of the most important," said Yarborough.

"The presentation definitely pertains to all, and students, among faculty and staff, are highly encouraged to attend."

The discussion will be today at 3 p.m. in 221 Mendenhall, and there is no cost.

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## SGA may have to reconsider funding

Senators await administrators' decision

STEPHEN RICE  
STAFF WRITER

Due to budget constraints, Student Government Association may be able to give out only \$145,000 to student organizations for 2004-05, even though \$375,000 was requested.

Eight-two organizations asked for SGA funds this year - thirty more than last year.

Jane Ferguson, adviser to SGA, told the Senate there may need to be adjustments to the funding process.

Since the Board of Governors ruled that student fees be reduced by \$4, there are fewer SGA funds this year than in the past.

Ferguson did not know exactly where the budget would be cut.

However, she said the student fee for SGA may be reduced.

The SGA passed all the funding requests in a blanket amendment.

Administrators will meet today to decide where the cut in student fees will be. This could affect the amount of money that SGA will be able to give to organizations.

In light of this, the



SGA senators met to discuss funding for student clubs last night in Mendenhall.

Senate added a stipulation to its funding approvals so they can be modified pending the administrative decision.

The SGA was also asked to consider funding a new child care center.

Nancy Lee, Child Development and Family Relations professor, spoke to the Senate about ECU's need for such a center.

She said the child care center would benefit both students and staff.

Lee said the facility could have a potential

capacity for 130 children and be open from 6:45 a.m. to 6:15 p.m.

She said the hours would be modified as necessary to best accommodate users.

The childcare center was unanimously endorsed by the Faculty Senate and approved by Interim Chancellor William Shelton.

However, no funding has been set aside for the project.

The building would initially cost about \$1.3 million. Lee came to the Senate to request a \$2 student fee.

The fee would provide \$50,000 for the project.

In other business, Elections Chair April Paul spoke to the Senate about the March elections.

She said the election committee was making changes to require greater accountability for candidates or campaign workers who break election rules.

Paul said establishing this precedent would protect the elections' integrity.

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# NPR correspondent highlights justice in segregation case

Speaker urges ECU students to become more politically active

JOSH SLONE  
STAFF WRITER

A respected author, journalist and political analyst encouraged students to follow the example of "ultimate frat boy"-turned social activist Supreme Court Justice Thurgood Marshall in a lecture last week.

National Public Radio Senior Correspondent Juan Williams spoke about Marshall and his significance in the *Brown v. Board of Education* decision, which led to the desegregation of schools.

Turner said Marshall served as one of the Supreme Court justices when the *Brown v. Board*

of *Education* decision was made on May 17, 1954.

Williams' lecture focused on Marshall's key role in establishing equality among minorities in the United States.

Williams said Marshall has often been depicted as a "prankster" who had no real role in the Supreme Court other than being the first African-American justice, in order to make the president at the time of his appointment look good.

During the lecture, Williams spoke about Marshall's transition from a young, bright college student interested in partying to a scholar interested in social justice.

In the midst of Marshall's junior year in college, Marshall began writing opinions and articles focusing on political and racial issues in the school newspaper, Williams

said.

"I think you could see Marshall's growth," Williams said.

"You could see that he's opening his eyes, you could see that he's coming to understand his power to make a difference on very difficult issues - issues that he preferred not to see for a time."

Williams said he wishes more college-aged students would open their eyes as well.

Lathan Turner, director of Intercultural Student Affairs, said Williams spoke to more than 200 people, about two thirds of which were students.

Williams said, television inhibits young people's development of a political mind.

He pointed out that certain shows like "Seinfeld," "Friends" and "The O.C."

all have characters concerned only with themselves and other members of their clique, while they are never concerned with political issues.

Shows such as these invite cynicism and skepticism about those who talk of political issues, and in the process degrades political activism said Williams.

Williams encouraged students to become politically active.

The challenge is in your face, though many choose to close their eyes and ignore it, he said.

"Open your eyes and put your hands in the clay, and begin to shape the future of this country ... take the risk of standing up and speaking out."

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Juan Williams speaks to students about political activism.

## Bush bemoans pullout of Spanish troops from Iraq

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Bush scolded Spain's new prime minister Monday for his swift withdrawal of troops from Iraq and told him to avoid actions that give "false comfort to terrorists or enemies of freedom in Iraq."

Bush expressed his views in a five-minute telephone call with Prime Minister Jose Luis Rodriguez Zapatero, who on Sunday ordered the 1,300 troops to return home as soon as possible.

Zapatero placed the call to Bush and the president "expressed his regret to President Zapatero about the decision to abruptly announce the pullout of Spanish troops from Iraq," White House press secretary Scott McClellan said.

"The president urged that the Spanish withdrawal take place in a coordinated manner that

does not put at risk other coalition forces in Iraq," McClellan said.

"The president stressed the importance of carefully considering future actions to avoid giving false comfort to terrorists or enemies of freedom in Iraq," McClellan said.

Separately, Sen. John Kerry, the presumptive Democratic nominee for president, also deplored Spain's move.

"I regret Prime Minister Zapatero's decision," Kerry said.

"Spain and all the world have an interest in rebuilding an Iraq that is not a haven for terrorists and a failed state. I had hoped the prime minister would have reconsidered his position, and I hope that in the days ahead the United States and the world can work with him to find a way to keep Spain

engaged in the efforts in Iraq."

"Rather than losing partners, I believe its critical that we find new coalition partners to share the burden in Iraq," Kerry said.

"We need to offer to share responsibilities with the United Nations, NATO and others, so they will work with us in Iraq to achieve security, stability, and freedom."

Zapatero issued the recall on Sunday just hours after his government was sworn in. He said there was no sign

the United States would meet his demand for United Nations control of the postwar occupation - his ultimatum for keeping troops there.

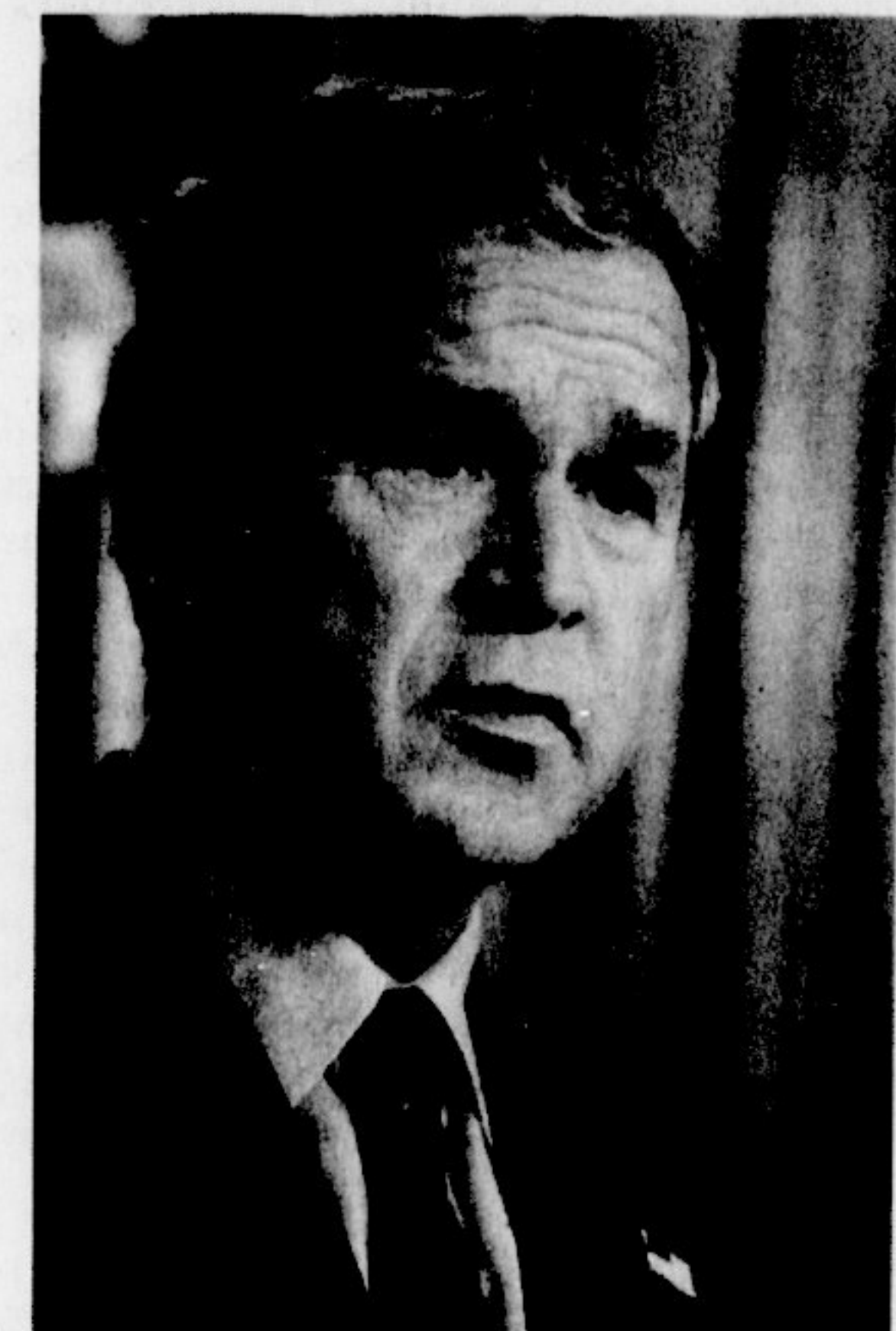
Zapatero's Socialist party won the March 14 general election amid allegations that outgoing Prime Minister Jose Maria Aznar, by backing the war in Iraq, had provoked commuter-train terrorist bombings that killed 191 people three days before the vote.

Though Zapatero, a 43-year-old lawyer and career politician, had promised to remove Spanish troops, his immediate action was a setback for the United States, which has been eager to portray the effort in Iraq as an international cause even though it is dominated by its 130,000 American troops.

Spain's foreign minister, Miguel Moratinos Moratinos, is to travel to Washington to discuss the dispute with Secretary of State Colin Powell. He was scheduled to leave Tuesday.

McClellan refused to characterize the tone of the two leaders' exchange, but Bush's words were unusually sharp by any standard.

Asked if the discussion was chilly or businesslike, McClellan said, "No, look, I think we've made it very clear we'll continue to work with Spain in the war on terrorism. Obviously the president expressed his regret at the abrupt decision to withdraw. But the coalition in Iraq is strong. We appreciate recent statements by many of the coalition nations expressing their solidarity and resolve."



Bush scolded Spain's new prime minister for taking troops out of Iraq.

## Kerry criticizes Bush's ability to build international relationships

PALM BEACH, Fla. (AP) — Democratic presidential candidate John Kerry on Monday

election 2004

criticized President Bush's efforts to build international relations and continued to call for bringing more countries into the effort to stabilize Iraq.

"Every president of the last century did a better job than this president" in building relationships with other nations, Kerry said during a breakfast where he raised \$250,000 for his campaign.

"I know I can make America stronger, safer and more secure."

One of Kerry's former rivals for the nomination, Sen. Joe Lieberman, D-Conn., joined Kerry for a rally at Palm Beach before Kerry took his campaign to Atlanta. Lieberman is likely to play an important role in Kerry's bid to win the state that decided the 2000 election for Bush, largely because he has a strong following in Florida's Jewish community.

Kerry, who contended he had a "100 percent record" in support of Israel, said he would end what he called a "sweetheart relationship" that allows money to flow from Arab countries to terrorists.

"We need a president who's prepared to stand up and lead the world to a more responsible place to create an entity to make peace within the Middle East," he said. During a noisy rally before



Presidential hopeful John Kerry is critical of Bush's foreign policy.

thousands of students at the University of Miami on Sunday, Kerry accused Bush of misleading not only the country but "even members of his own administration about what he was planning to do in Iraq."

"The American people, with respect to issues of war and peace, are owed the truth, the whole truth and nothing but the truth," he said.

Kerry sat for a one-hour interview on NBC's "Meet the Press," where he repeated his pledge to create 10 million jobs and cut the deficit in half within four years if he wins the White House. He conceded that soaring deficits might make him scale back some proposals.

In the interview, Kerry said Bush "misled America" by rushing to war. He pledged to build an international coalition while continuing to prosecute the war - increasing troop levels if needed - because stability in Iraq is essen-

tial. The problems in Iraq are only part of a foreign policy by Bush that has left the nation isolated, Kerry said.

"I think this administration has proven, frankly, stunningly ineffective in diplomacy," he said.

Kerry cited Bush's policy change on Israel last week in which he endorsed a plan by Prime Minister Ariel Sharon to hold on to lands seized in the 1967 Middle East War. "There were Arab leaders that were taken by surprise by this announcement," Kerry said, although he also said he endorsed the move.

"I will immediately reach out to other nations in a very different way from this administration," he said.

"Within weeks of being inaugurated I will return to the U.N. and I will rejoin the community of nations."

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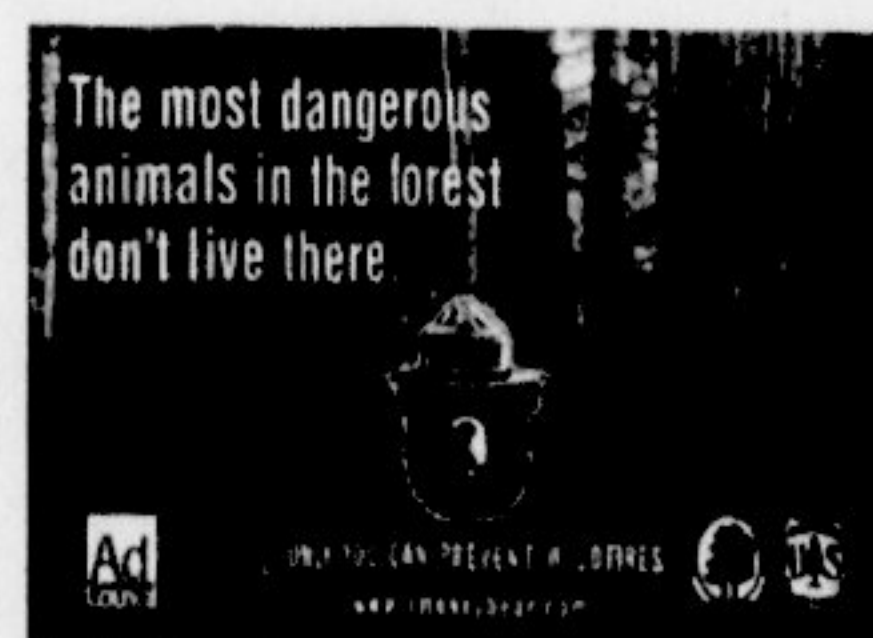
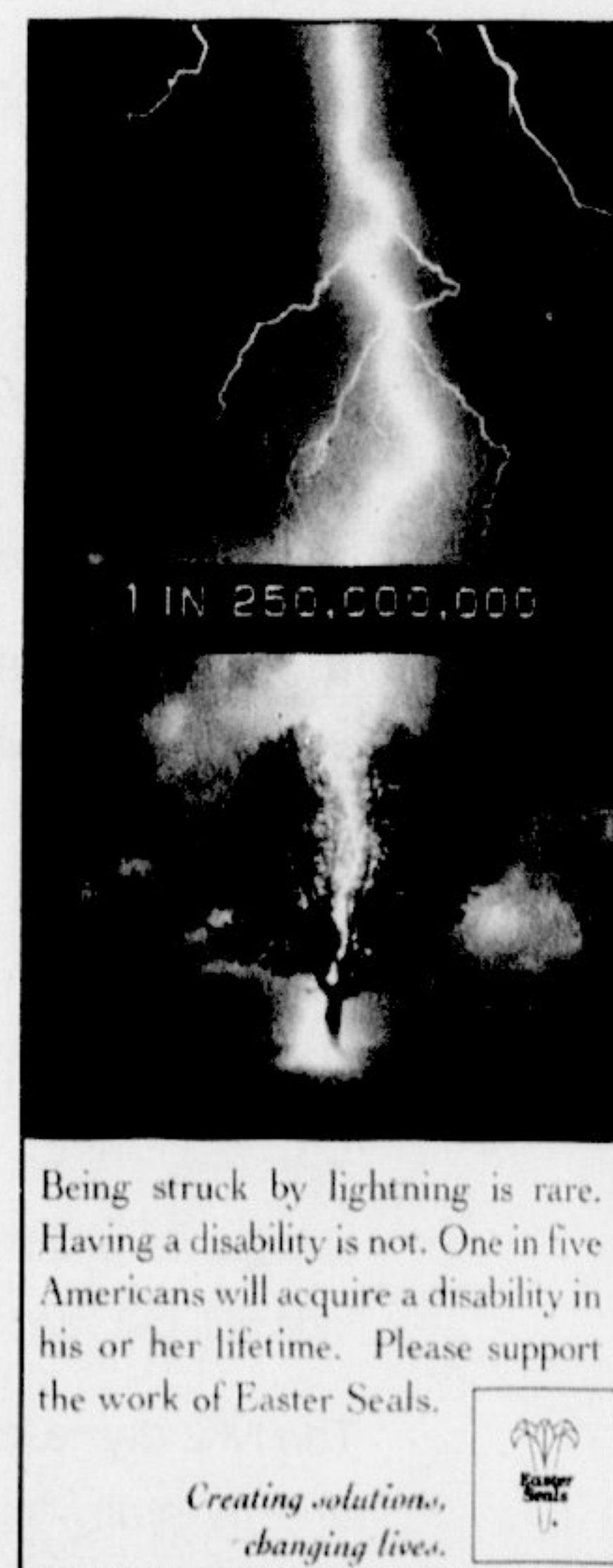
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## Our View

*The league needs to come up with a solid stand on what will be done about entry into the draft. If that means they stand by the current rule and emphatically declare it as non-negotiable, so be it.*

Maurice Claret – and any other underclassman, for that matter – has been denied entry into this weekend's NFL draft. The second U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals made the decision to put a hold on a lower court's decision to allow the entry from almost two months ago.

The question of eligibility has been hotly debated. The most relevant question is if the NFL is favored in the end with the eligibility issue, what are they going to do about the rule in place? What if they lose?

What makes the decision a difficult one and solutions somewhat scarce is that kids coming out of high school or with less than two years experience playing college football are not physically ready for the NFL. But that won't hold up in court by any stretch.

The way Claret got into the league is ridiculous and, in some aspects, low class. He is not ready for the NFL, physically nor mentally, and should have been forced to play another year of college ball.

But what about someone like Southern California's Mike Williams, an absolute beast? With his size and talent, he could have an impact on the league and abuse veteran cornerbacks in his rookie year.

Believe it.

Claret, on the other hand, is out of shape, hasn't played in over year and would play at a position that takes the worst beating of any other spot on the field. As a receiver, Williams blocks on run plays and gets tackled only when the ball is thrown his way. Claret would be hit on every single down that he plays.

The league needs to come up with a solid stand on what will be done about entry into the draft. If that means they stand by the current rule and emphatically declare it as non-negotiable, so be it.

In the event that they lose, a rule that players must play at least two years of college football should be placed in effect otherwise these kids will get hurt – some of them seriously.

The NFL game is far too fast both physically and mentally for 18-year-old kids coming out of high school with no experience at the next level.

The purpose of TEC's opinion pages is to invoke conversation in ECU's community. To respond to an opinion on this page, please send your letter, with your contact information for verification, to editor@theeastcarolinian.com.



## Letters To The Editor

Dear Editor,

In response to last Tuesday's "In My Opinion," by Peter Kalajian, ECU Greeks were portrayed as an elite, exclusionary group who are throwing the balance of student government completely askew.

Greeks may, in fact, make up 70 percent of SGA, but instead of looking at this as an "alarming" injustice, one should take into consideration that Greeks seem to be the people on campus most willing to put forth time and effort into bettering ECU.

Take the last election, for example. Both tickets running were all Greek ballots, if the majority feels so misrepresented, why have no independents (non-Greek) taken the initiative to run for a position? If your point was to make people aware that 10 percent of the people (Greeks) should not represent the entire student body's wants, needs and ideals, I would agree; but through no fault of the Greek community, SGA happens to be predominantly Greek.

If the student population at ECU is so unhappy with the representation percentages, you can't complain about something you

aren't willing to do anything about. Your belief may be that the number of Greeks on SGA is, as you say, ridiculous; I call on all the independents, step up and run for an office.

It may not have been your intention to cast "character dispersions" on Greeks, but your literary picture of Greek Life did just this. By paralleling SGA to apartheid and implying that the Greek community lacks diversity and portraying brothers and sisters as dress-alike "ditzes" and "meatheads" is unfair. There are 16 IFC Fraternities, 9 NPC Sororities, 8 NPHC Sororities and Fraternities, as well as numerous other academic and service Greek organizations made up of unique and diverse individuals.

So Peter, if you feel the representation of the student population on SGA is unbalanced, I hope to see your name on a ballot sometime in the near future.

Jordan Rutt  
Alpha Xi Delta Sorority  
ECU Student

Dear Editor,

I was greatly disturbed by the inaccurate assumptions made about the Greek community in the edition of *The East Carolinian* that was released on April 13.

The article I am referring to is the article on the Student Government being dominated by Greeks.

The Greeks do make up a large part of our Student Government Association. However, this does no harm to the rest of the student population. In point of fact, if it were not for Greeks, there would be almost no one involved in SGA. The Greek community has every right to have their representation in SGA because they are the people who run for office and are screened on the senate.

As Co-chair of the internal affairs committee, I can tell you that there are over 35 seats open on the student senate right now. Any one who would like to join, Greek or not, can come by 255 Mendenhall and pick up an application to be screened for a position on the senate. If Greeks are willing to take time out of their lives and fill the void in SGA, then they deserve to be the majority.

It is important to remember that Greeks are students, as well. We are not only in our fraternities and sororities, but we are also representative of many clubs, groups and majors throughout campus. I, myself am not only Greek, but an education major who is involved with other student organizations not Greek affiliated.

This is the case with the much of the Greek community that is on the senate. We have many different majors and are in many different groups.

Wayne Conner, our IFC man of the year for 2003, is the president and founder of the pre-law honors organization here on campus. This is one of many examples of how Greeks help the entire student body because we are not just Greek. We have many interests and affiliations, and many of us share the common interest of being active within SGA.

The next thing I would like to point out is that Greeks lead the way in diversity on this campus. The National Panhellenic Conference, National Pan-Hellenic Council and the Interfraternity Council are great champions of diversity on this campus. We work in order to bring many types of people together in order to help this school.

Look around, we all know people that are Greek. Do they all

look alike, dress alike and act alike? No! We are as diverse as any group on campus and represent several aspects of student life. I take it as an insult. The idea that we could be compared to something as heinous as Apartheid is the most absurd idea conceived about our organizations.

I would also like to remind everyone that the Greek system is a group that gives greatly to the rest of the community. If you look at the paper at any time, you will see that the Greeks are major contributors to Philanthropy and community service.

Pi Kappa Alpha has given over \$23,000 dollars to the Ronald McDonald house in the last year. Zeta Tau Alpha and Delta Sigma Phi had a joint event that benefited breast cancer research and the March of Dimes. Phi Kappa Tau and Delta Zeta had an Easter egg hunt at the Boys and Girls Club last week.

Zeta Tau Alpha, Alpha Phi, Alpha Phi Alpha and Sigma Phi Epsilon joined together for a canned food drive for the homeless earlier this semester.

These are only a few of the service-driven projects the Greek Community has led. There are 34 Greek organizations on this campus; all of which give time and money to better the community.

Mr. Kalajian, these remarks are not intended to be attacking. I am simply stating that if you wish to write about the Greek system, you should learn more about it.

I would like to extend you and invitation from the office of the Interfraternity Council to come through our Fall Rush. Added to this personal invitation, all fees that may apply will be waived for you. I would like you to go through intake with our NPHC brothers so you can learn about them as well.

I understand the actions of the Greek System are often misunderstood. In the future, if there are any questions or concerns that may arise, I will be more than willing to help. As a member of my own brotherhood, president of the Interfraternity Council and a committee chair on the SGA, I am more than willing to help any way I can.

Terry Gore  
Delta Sigma Phi Fraternaty  
ECU Student

Dear Editor,

I am writing in response to a letter and an article published April 13 both written by Peter Kalajian.

Firstly, I would like to correct a couple of misstatements in the actual SGA article. The measure to support televisions in the dining halls did not pass overwhelmingly as was characterized in the article. The resolution of the Student Welfare Committee passed with a vote of 24-23, hardly what I would say is overwhelming.

Secondly, the bill introduced to add an additional committee to the Senate for graduate students had absolutely nothing to do with the proposed GSAC funds that will be rolled-back into Student Government.

That arrangement has already been panned out by the executive boards of both GSAC and SGA. That is actually for a one-year trial, however the Senate bill would be permanent, not for a one-year trial as characterized in the article. Perhaps, if the writer would have concentrated on obtaining facts to inform the student body instead of observing the "composition" of the Senate, these mistakes would not have occurred.

I would like to respond now to the idea that Greeks are disproportionately represented in SGA. Greeks do make up a large percentage of many leadership organizations around campus. The simple explanation for this is that we are involved.

There are some 35 or more seats currently open in the Student Senate. Amazingly, neither the article nor the editorial mention this fact.

Student Government is open to all students on campus and allows them a great opportunity to become involved. I also find it very interesting that people who have never been involved in a fraternity or sorority are the world's foremost experts on what Greeks

are about.

True, there are many Greeks who dress a certain way or who have similar ideals, but does this fact mean we should be dismissed?

Regardless of what you have been told, Greeks perform various types of philanthropy and community service not only locally, but nationally.

We are the leaders of the campus, not because it is handed to us, but because we take the initiative and go and work for it. It is not only the responsibility of an organization to come and ask people to join, but it is the responsibility of the individuals themselves to become informed and involved.

I also apologize to the writer for the apparel that he so eloquently described as being "Greek" wear.

I would suggest a strong pair of sunglasses as to block out such offensive things as designer labels, Rainbow sandals and Greek lettered shirts from his view. Thanks for buying into the stereotype.

The simple fact is that Senate elections are openly advertised to the campus at-large during the fall semester, just as the executive elections are during the spring semester.

Also, the Screening and Appointments Committee takes applications all during the year to fill vacancies.

The president-elect of SGA is currently accepting applications for her cabinet for next year. I implore the writer of the articles, and anyone who shares his views to cowboy up and join SGA, to address your concern of the "Greek" misrepresentation and all the other more pressing matters we handle on a daily basis.

Joseph Payne  
Phi Kappa Psi Fraternity  
ECU Student

Dear Editor,

Thank you for your interest in helping us to continually improve our options. Having a balanced selection of all foods is very important to our staff.

As vegetarian options are increasing in demand, we are making strides to ensure that we have offerings that you can select from. Vegetarian meals can be a very healthy selection, as it can provide you with lots of fiber, vitamins, and minerals. By substituting some of the meat in your diet, you may also be reducing the amount of saturated fat that you take in.

Each day at Todd and Mendenhall, we have a vegetarian entrée option as well as a vegetarian soup. Additionally, there are vegetables, grilled veggie burgers, pasta and baked potatoes offered each day.

The salad bar contains fresh vegetables, hummus, beans, cheese and fruit. At the deli, you can find various cheese and fresh vegetables to create a vegetarian sandwich or sub. The salad bar would also have other great vegetables that you could top it with. For those who prefer soy milk, it is available upon request.

In another effort to increase vegetarian selections, we have added a few options at the retail locations. A new area in the Croatan, the Wright Place, the Spot and Pirate Market is Nutrition Nook, an area that contains healthy selections such as fruit cups, vegetable trays, yogurt, sushi, various salads and beverages.

A new item that we have just added is hummus that will be served with pita wedges and fresh fruit. This will be located at the Spot, the Galley, and the Wright Place. At the Spot and the Galley, we also have bean burritos with vegetarian refried beans, vegetables, cheese and rice.

Pirate Market, the convenience store, does have a wonderful selection of organic and meat free products. We have added various flavors of soy milk products, as well as garden burgers. Next year, when the new dining hall is in operation, it too will have a convenience store, very similar to the one on College Hill.

Please also look for topics of interest in the publication, Healthy News Your Body Can Use, which is sent out to residence halls each fall and spring, as well as in March for National Nutrition Month. It is also available at each of the Campus Dining locations. In these publications, I answer frequently asked questions from students. Please visit our Campus Dining Web site, where you can learn more about programs and options offered. During the summer, we will expand the nutrition homepage to bring you other information.

You can also contact me directly at 328-2632 if you have questions. Again, thank you for your input, and feel free to give us your ideas or suggestions.

Robin High  
Dining Nutrition Director





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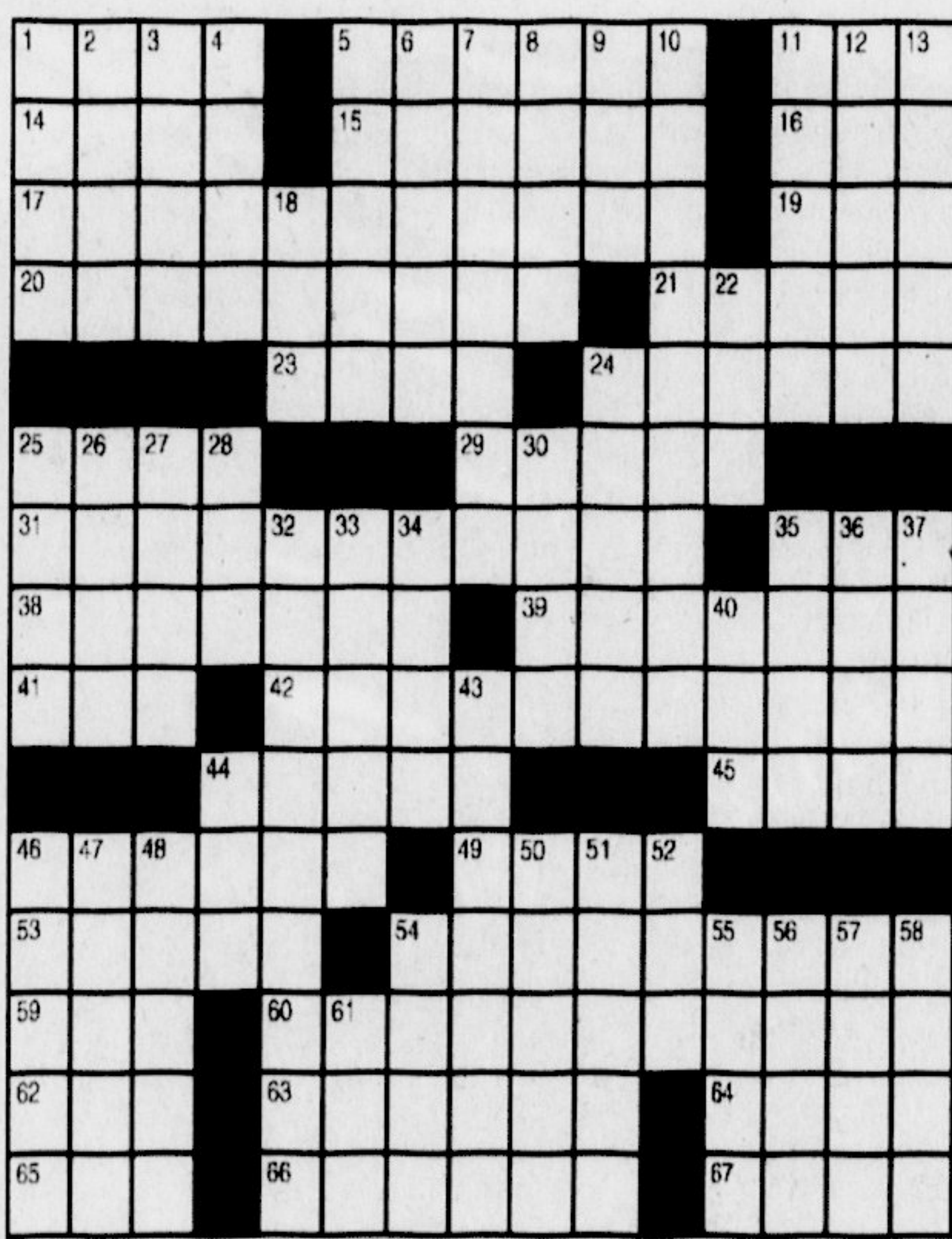
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### ACROSS

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- 5 Of digestion
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- 15 Add to the beauty of
- 16 Cowboy's nickname
- 17 "My Cousin Vinny" Oscar winner
- 19 Black gold
- 20 Etchers
- 21 Capital on the Red River
- 23 Vega's constellation
- 24 Practice
- 25 Experts, briefly
- 29 Group of three
- 31 Martin/Winger movie
- 35 Lofty poem
- 38 Province on Lake Erie
- 39 More luxurious
- 41 Absolutely!
- 42 Like some tires
- 44 "Cane"
- 45 Toy on a string
- 46 Place position
- 49 Thwack
- 53 In a vertical line
- 54 Perfume sprayers
- 59 Meat cut
- 60 Real go-getter
- 62 Had lunch
- 63 Reluctant
- 64 Fastidious
- 65 Ballplayer Williams
- 66 Former Egyptian leader
- 67 Ms. Fitzgerald

### DOWN

- 1 Arrived
- 2 Dershowitz or Greenspan
- 3 1976-80 Wimbledon winner
- 4 Be up and about
- 5 Logger's tool
- 6 Join in
- 7 Proportionately
- 8 Allen and



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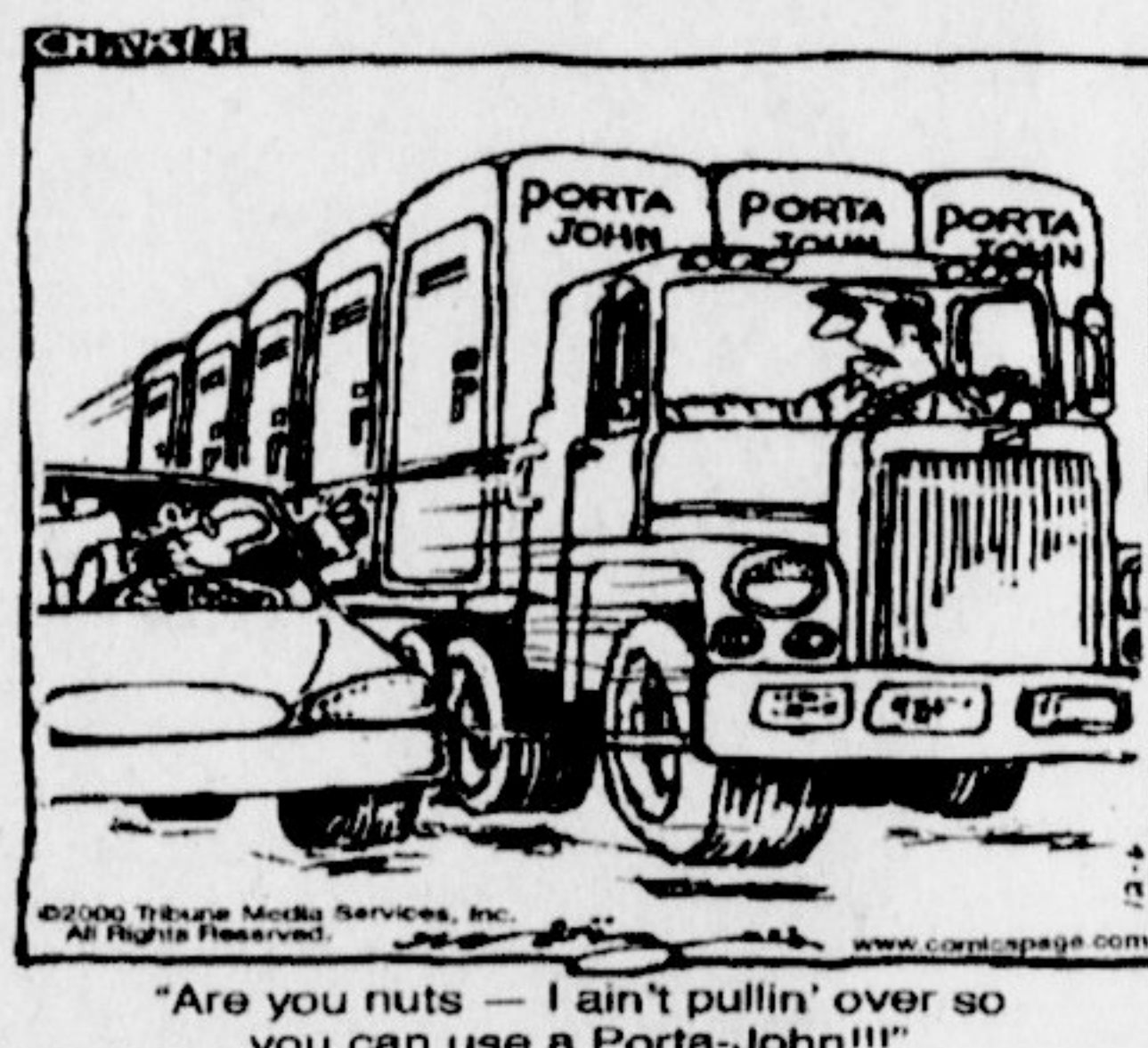
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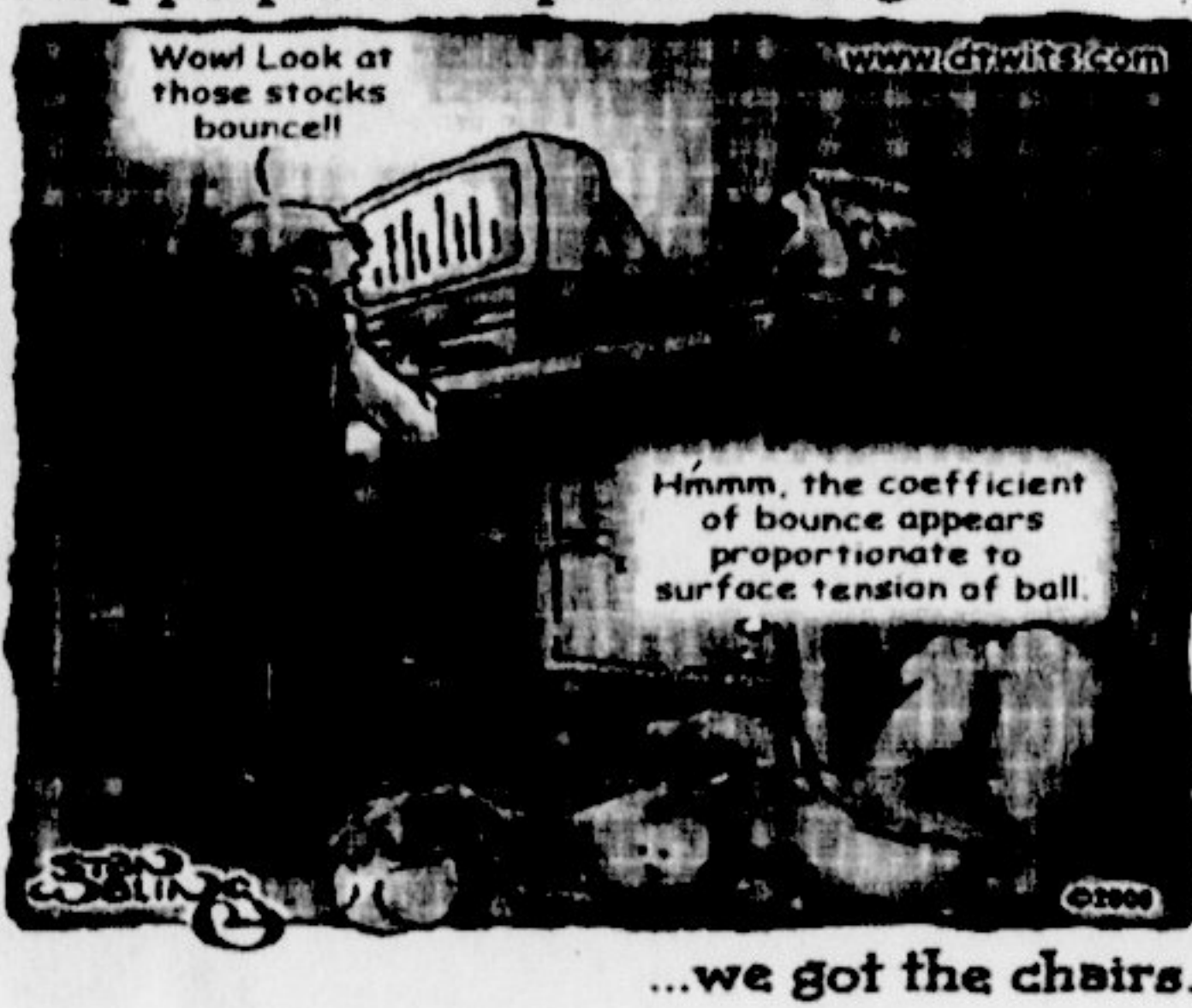
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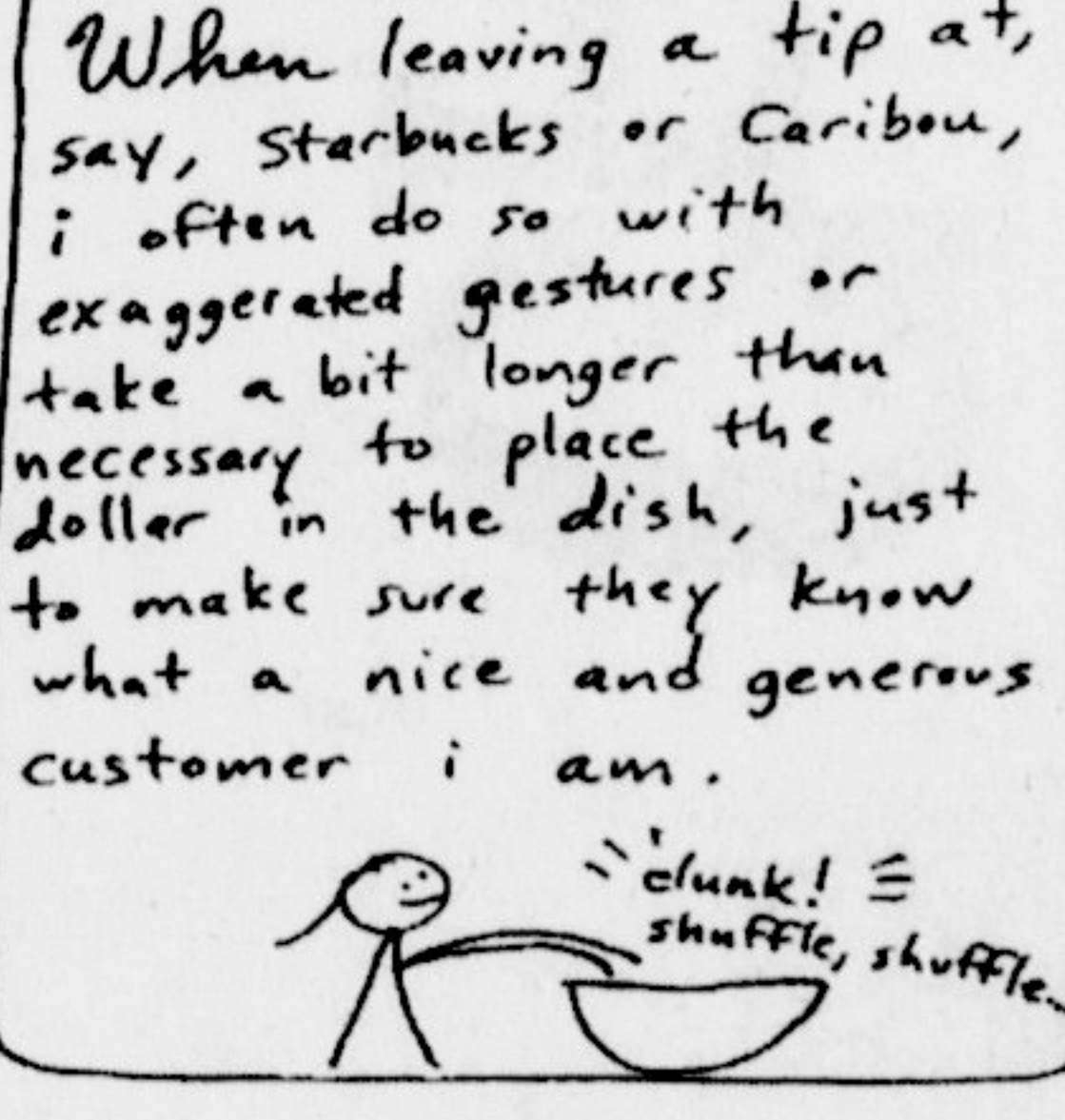
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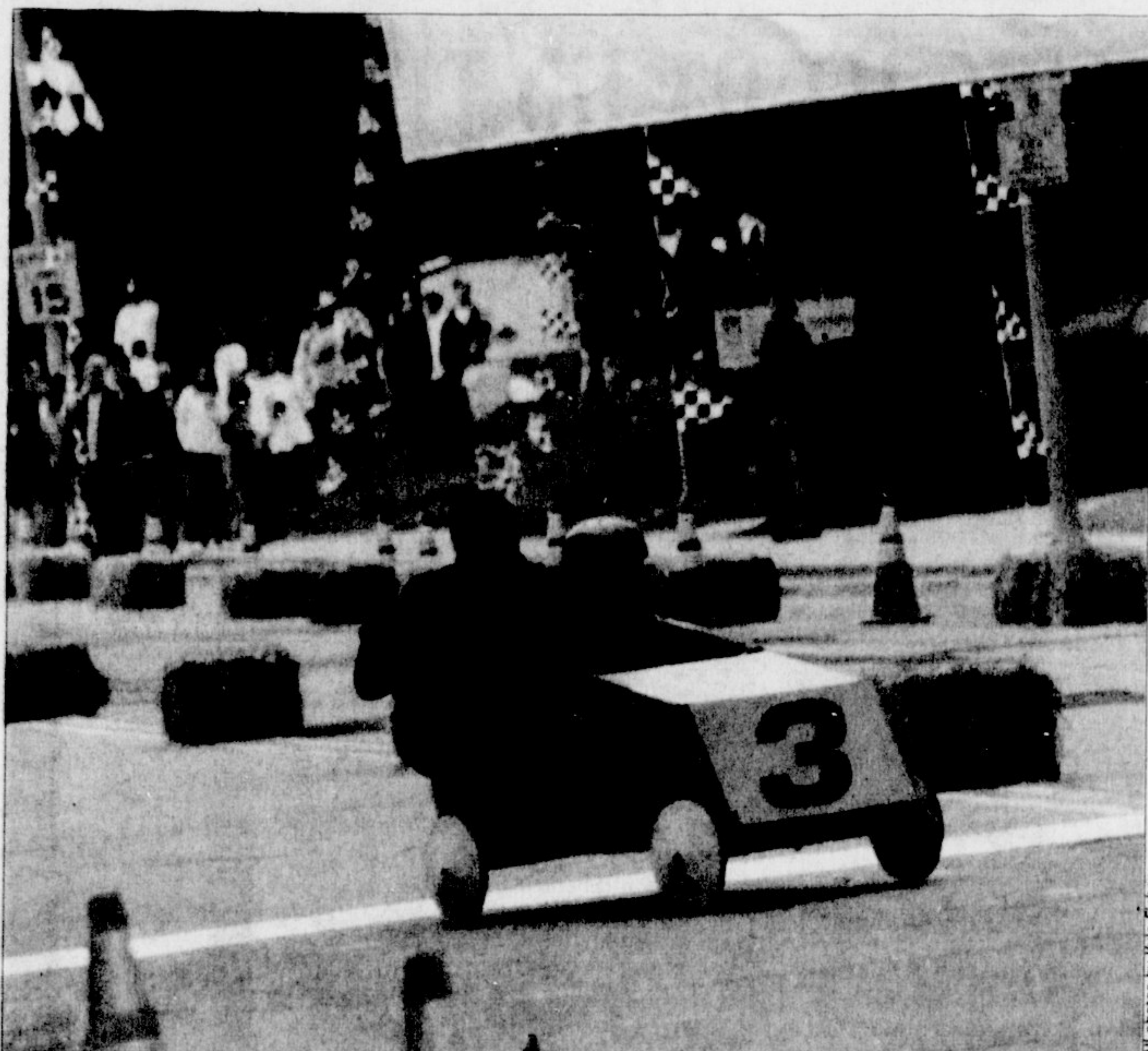
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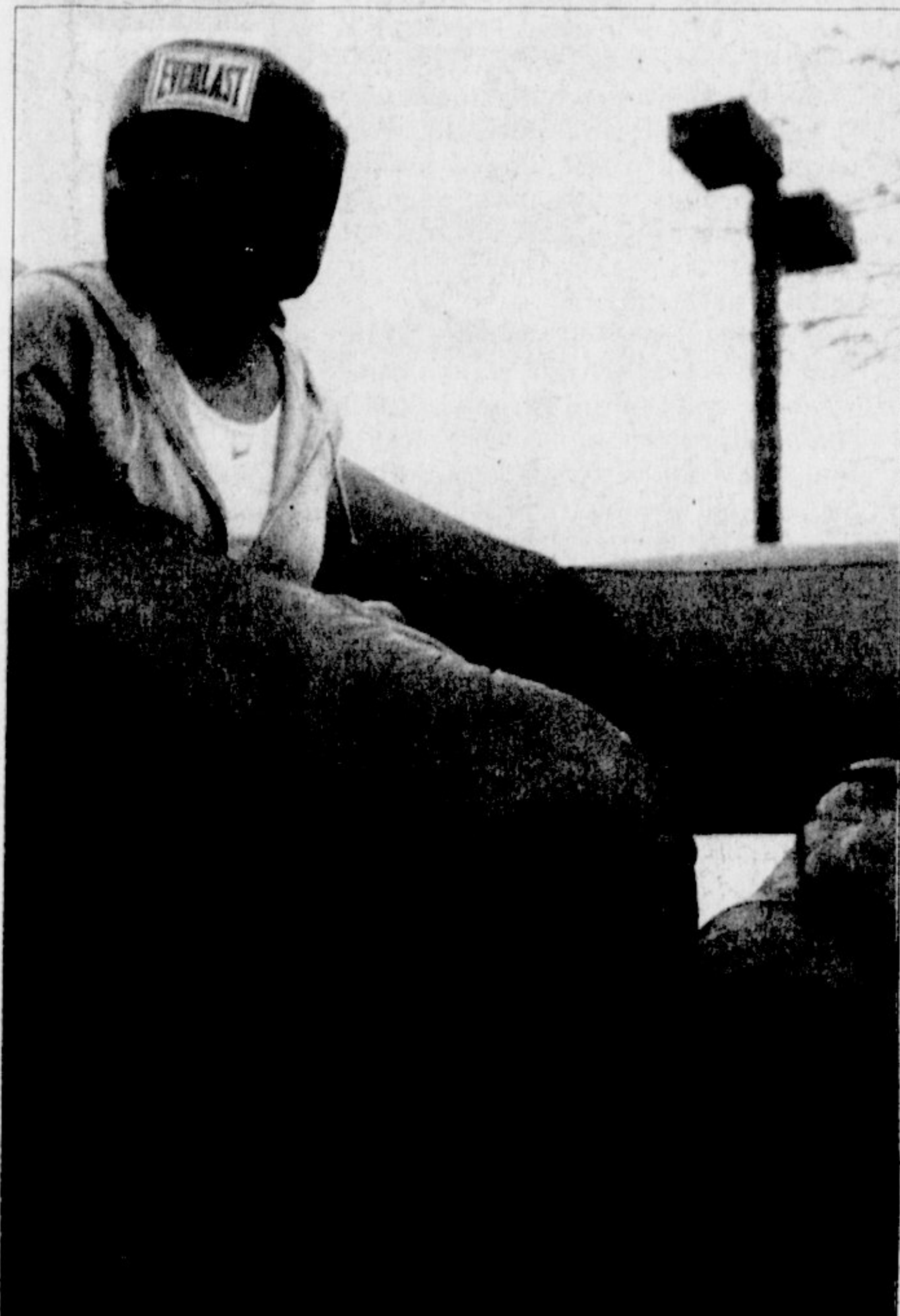
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Two students race down the Hill in a cart meant for one. The racers were disqualified.



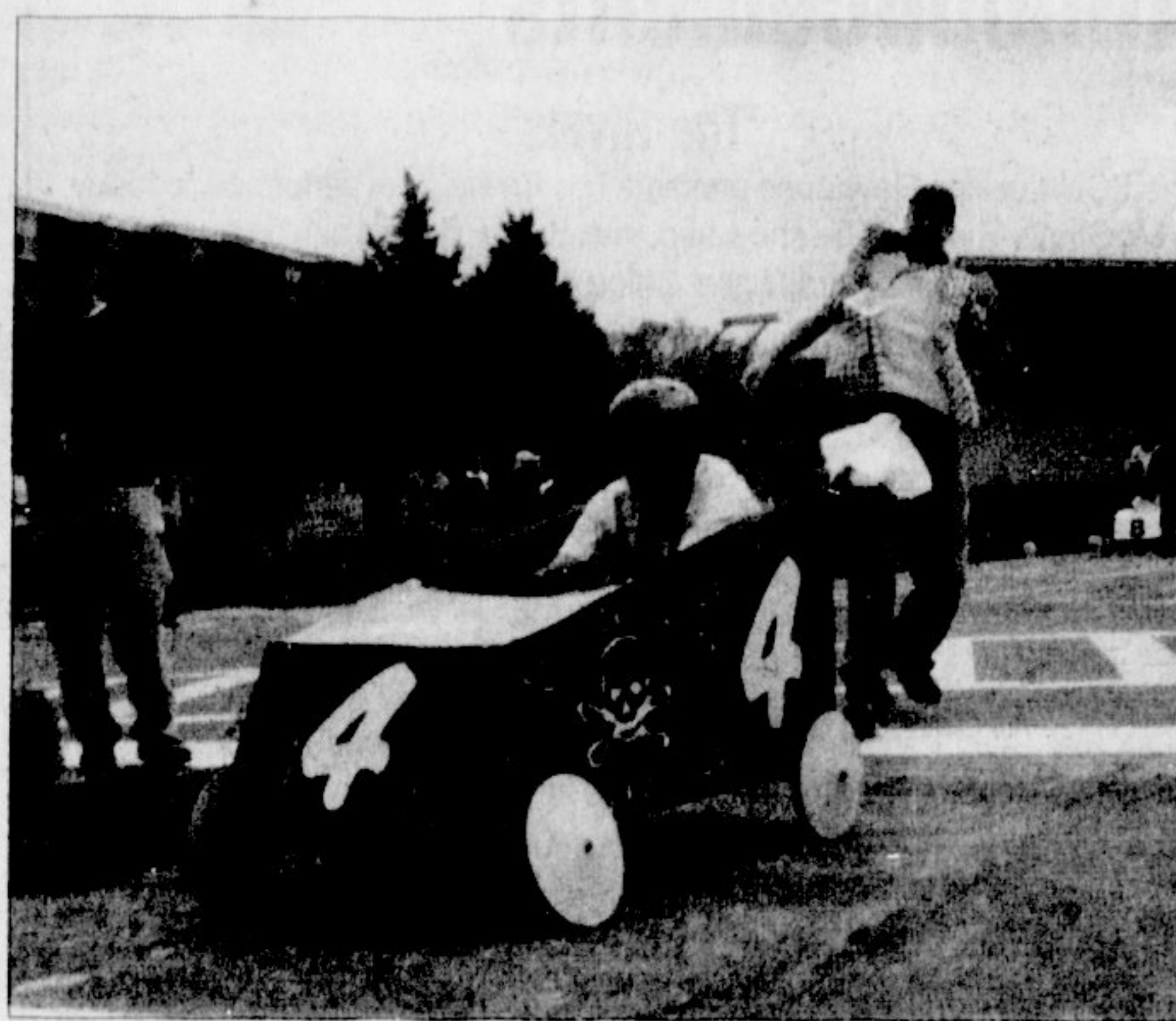
Students push off their teammates from the top of College Hill as hard as they can.



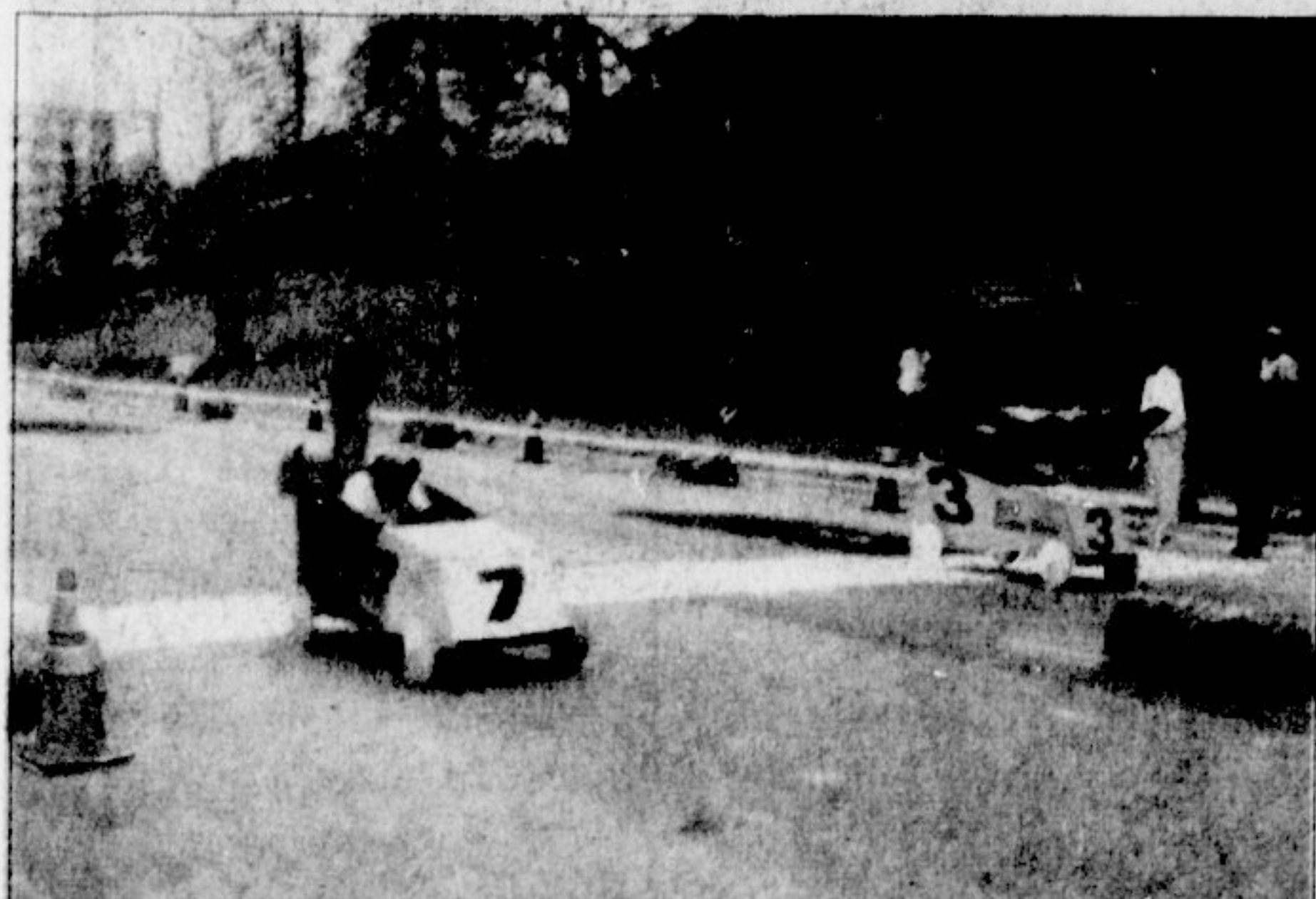
Laura Pekarek, freshman business major, dukes it out with her roommate in an inflatable boxing ring.



Teams congratulate each other at the end of the race.



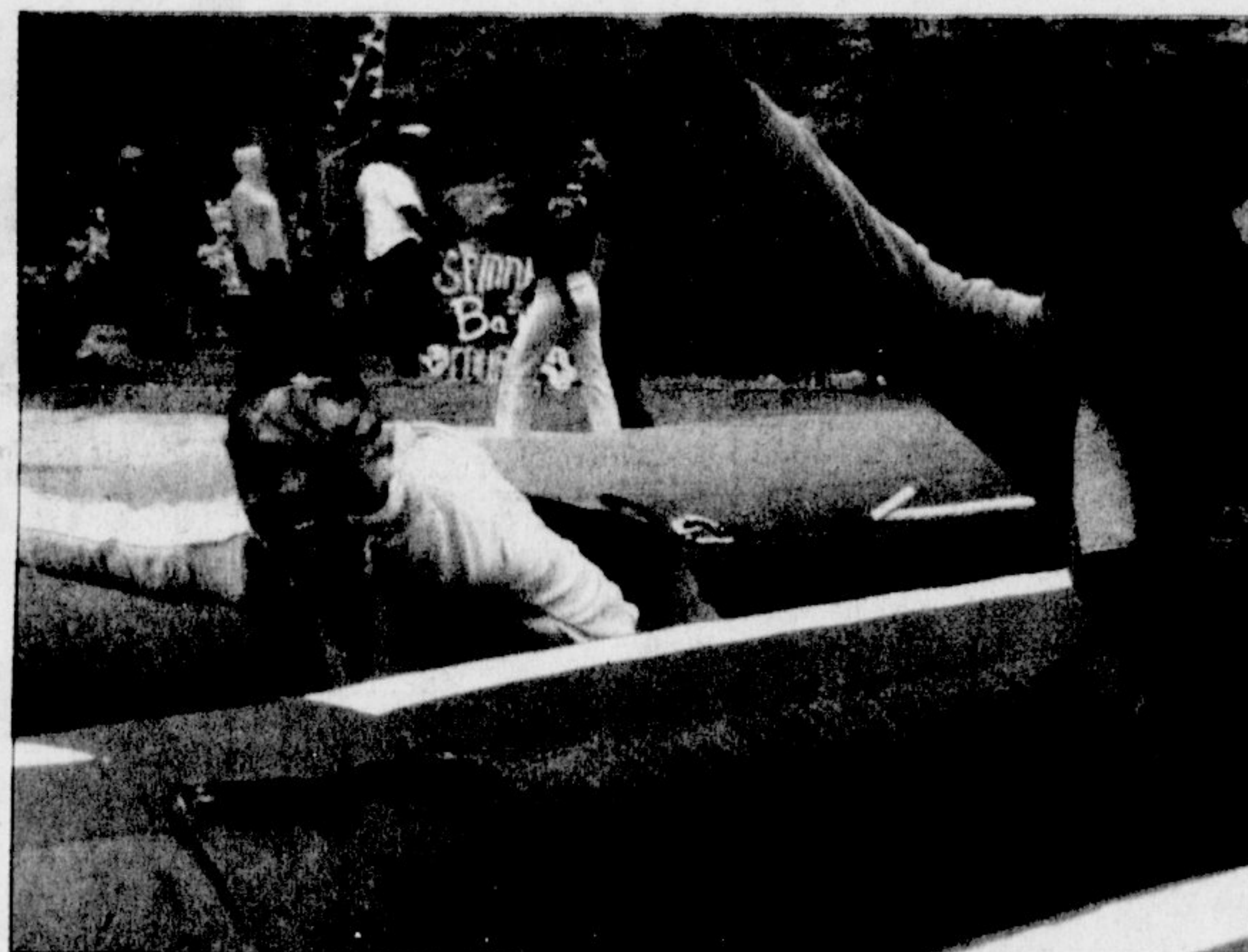
A student pushes his teammate off at the start line.



Cart number seven finishes just ahead of cart number three.



Students in the co-ed division prepare for their turn to race down the Hill.



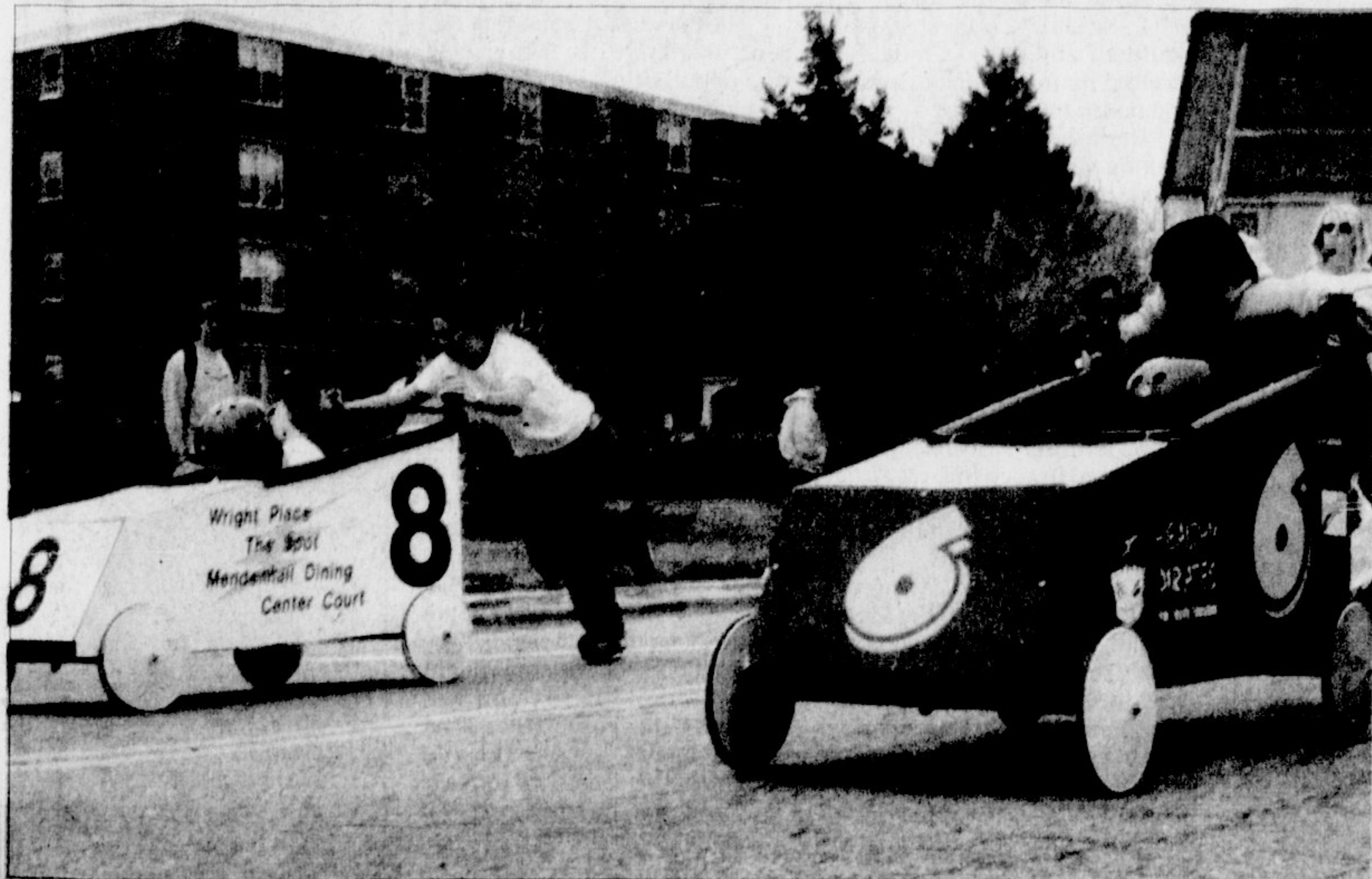
Sharice Wirks and Alex Thomas compete in an inflatable bungee cord sports event, where the student who sticks the Velcro bean bag the farthest before being snapped back by the bungee cord is the winner.



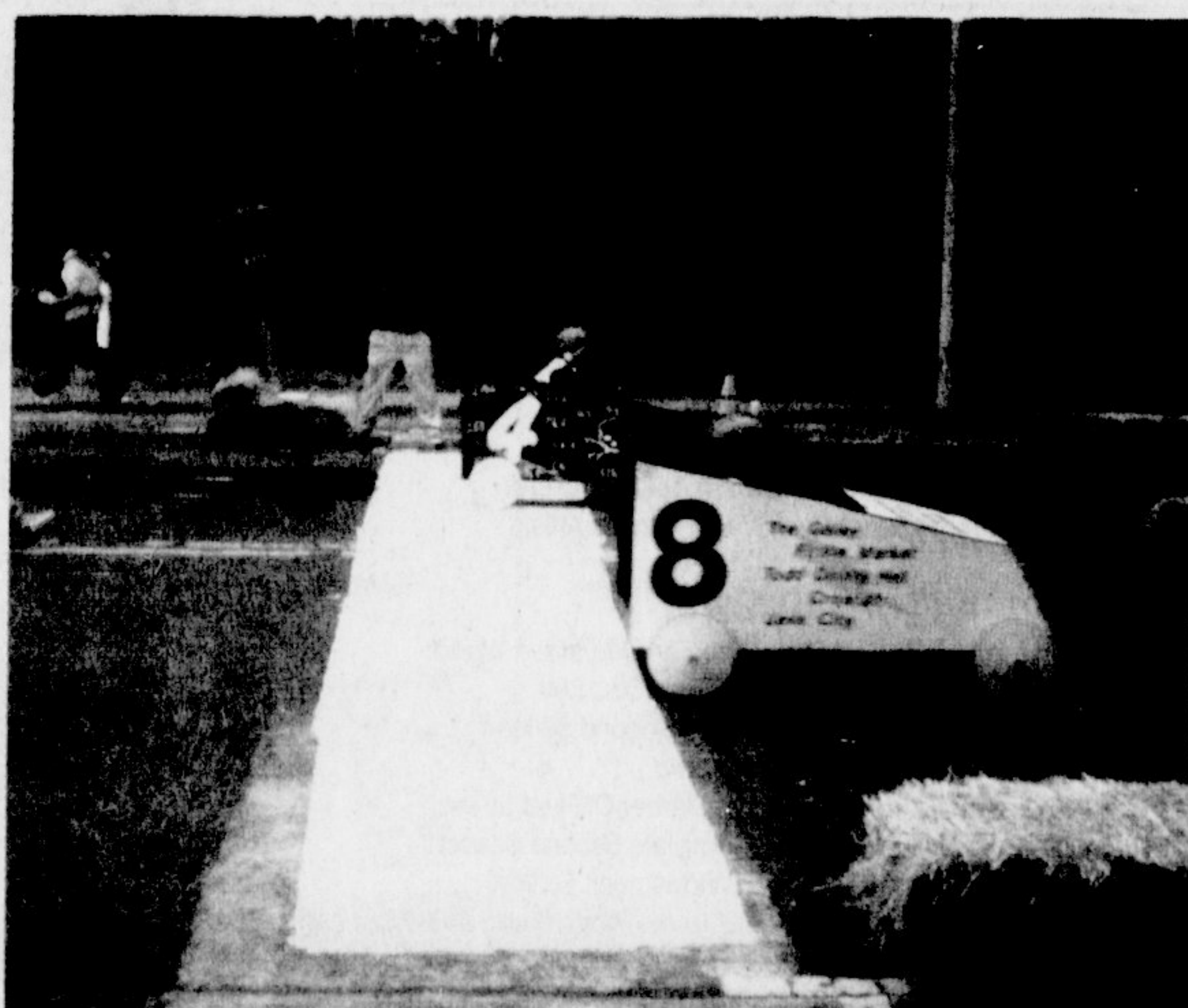
Co-ed teams are off and running at the start of the race.



Tiffany Curry, sophomore communication major, speeds down College Hill.



Students in the Campus Dining cart and the Healthy Pirates cart push off at the top of the Hill.



The student in the Campus Dining cart nudges out the competition.



# FEATURES

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## Did You Know?

- Actress Jessica Lange (1949), singer Luther Vandross (1951) and actor Shemar Moore (1970) all call today their birthday.
- This month is National Kite Month.
- On this day in 1976, George Harrison sang the lumberjack song with Monty Python.

## Announcements

### 'The Rivals'

The ECU/Loessin Playhouse presents *The Rivals*' final performance today in McGinnis Theatre. The show begins at 8 p.m. Tickets can be purchased by calling the ECU Central Ticket Office at 1-800-ECU-ARTS.

### Don Giovanni

ECU Opera Theatre presents *Don Giovanni* today in the A. J. Fletcher Recital Hall at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$5 - \$10.

### Illusionist

Illusionist Craig Karges will make tables float and read minds at 8 p.m. tonight in Hendrix Theatre. This event is free.

### Films

The Student Union Films Committee presents *The Fog of War* on Wednesday at 7 p.m., Thursday at 9:30 p.m., Friday at 7 p.m. and midnight, Saturday at 9:30 p.m. and Sunday at 7 p.m. *The Lord of the Rings: Return of the King* is showing Wednesday at 9:30 p.m., Thursday at 7 p.m., Friday at 9:30 p.m., Saturday at 7 p.m. and midnight and Sunday at 3 p.m. All movies are free with a student ID and are located in the Hendrix Theatre. For more information, call 328-4700.

### Music Performance

The School of Music presents the Symphonic Wind Ensemble, the Symphonic Band and the Concert Band conducted by Scott Carter and Christopher Knighten at 8 p.m. on Wednesday, April 21 in Wright Auditorium. This event is free.

### Barefoot on the Mall

The 25th Annual Barefoot on the Mall will be from 12 p.m. - 6 p.m. on Thursday, April 22. This event is free for students.

### Art Exhibition

The 2004 School of Art Thesis Exhibition opening reception will be at 5 p.m. on Thursday, April 22 in the Gray Gallery. The exhibit runs through May 22.

### Jazz Bones

The School of Music presents Jazz Bones directed by George Broussard at 8 p.m. on Thursday, April 22 in the A. J. Fletcher Recital Hall. This event is free.

### B-Boy Competition

The Student Union presents "Toe II Toe," a b-boy competition, from 6 p.m. - 9 p.m. on Friday, April 23 in the Mendenhall Great Rooms. This event is free.

### Jazz Festival

The ECU Jazz Ensemble concert will perform in concert at 8 p.m. on Friday, April 23 in the Greenville Convention Center. Call 328-4788 for tickets.

### Jazz Festival

The School of Music presents a Guest Artist Concert by Billy Taylor at 8 p.m. on Saturday, April 24 in the Greenville Convention Center. Dinner and concert packages are available - call 328-4788 for tickets.

### Music Performance

The Chamber Singers and the ECU Choral Scholars present Howell's *Requiem*, Lotti's *Crucifixus* and other masterpieces at 3 p.m. on Sunday, April 25 at St. Paul's Episcopal Church. This event is free.

## New Releases

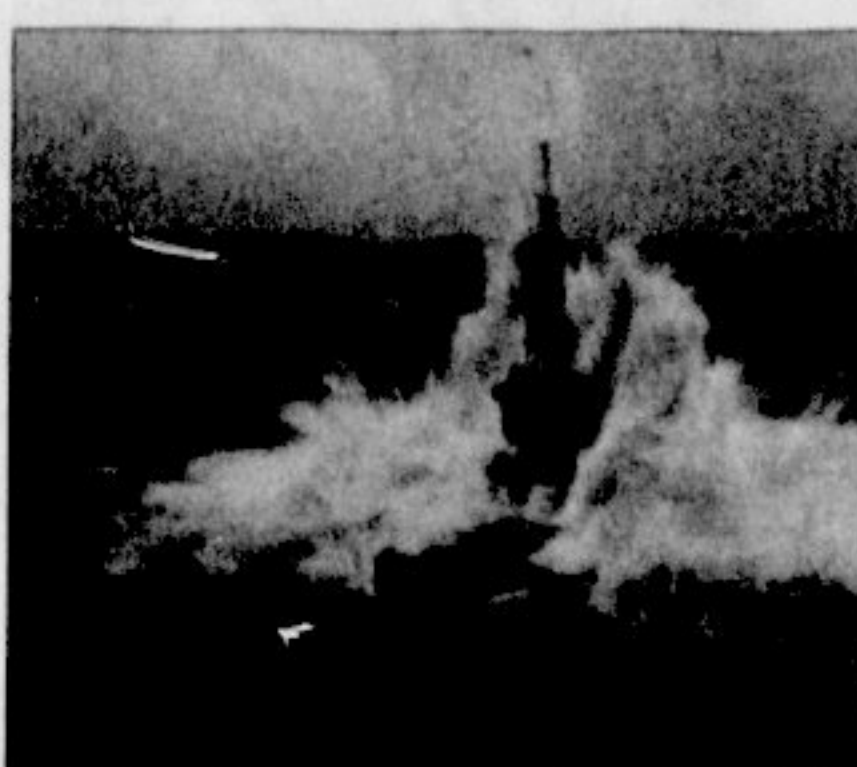
### CDs

*Underneath* [Limited Edition with Bonus DVD], Hanson  
*Musicology*, Prince  
*Impossible Dream*, Patty Griffin  
*Miracle Mule*, Subdudes  
*Unbreakable* [Import], Scorpions  
*Hurt No More*, Mario Winans  
*Desensitized*, Drowning Pool  
*Hangover Music 6*, Black Label Society  
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*The King of Queens - The Complete Second Season*  
*The Haunted Mansion* (Widescreen Edition)  
*Master and Commander - The Far Side of the World* (Full Screen Edition)  
*The Office - The Complete First and Second Series*  
*Call Me Madam*  
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## Preview to season's five hottest movies

**MICAH MASSEI**  
SENIOR WRITER

With spring's arrival is an all new film season jam-packed with exciting choices for filmgoers. Below is an analysis of five films sure to have an impact at the box office.

**Kill Bill Vol. 2** - Starring Uma Thurman, Samuel L. Jackson - Directed by Quentin Tarantino

**The background:** After raking in nearly \$70 million at the box office (domestically), Tarantino's conclusion to a female assassin's mission to kill all involved in an earlier attempt on her life stars Thurman (once again) as The Bride with new face Jackson as The Organ Player.

**The buzz:** Tarantino has yet to make a film that falters, and as exciting and completely original as *Kill Bill Vol. 1* was, one can only hope *Vol. 2* achieves similar success.

**Release date:** April 16

**Van Helsing** - Starring Hugh Jackman, Kate Beckinsale - Directed by Stephen Sommers

**The background:** During the late 19th century, famed monster hunter Dr. Gabriel Van Helsing (Jackman) heads to Europe with sidekick Anna Valerious (Beckinsale) to battle Count Dracula, The Wolf Man and Frankenstein's Monster.

**The buzz:** In a rather impressive move, those at Universal Pictures have opted to "cash-in" on one of the more interesting horror/fantasy series of years past by bringing Van Helsing to the big screen this May. Both Jackman and Beckinsale have proven they can carry an action/comic venture, and Sommers has scored well with his *The Mummy* trilogy ... expect a hit.

**Release date:** May 7

**Troy** - Starring Brad Pitt, Eric Bana - Directed by Wolfgang Peterson

**The background:** An adaptation of Homer's great epic, the film follows the siege of Troy by the united Greek forces with Pitt as Achilles and Bana as Hector.

**The buzz:** You would think having Pitt's name on a movie poster would guarantee success, but in actuality, Pitt hasn't solely headlined - with respect to co-star Morgan Freeman - a major blockbuster since 1995's *Seven*. At the same time, some of the projects he's been a part of enjoyed what little success they achieved only because Pitt was involved. Peterson is a masterful filmmaker who, unlike his peers, tends to make action movies that "make you think" and "have a brain." Hopefully, with Peterson behind the wheel, Pitt will use his talents and not his face to occupy screen time and this epic adaptation will succeed admirably.

**Release date:** May 14

**Shrek 2** - Starring Mike Myers, Eddie Murphy - Directed by Andrew Adamson, Kelly Asbury and Conrad Vernon.

**The background:** Immediately picking up from where *Shrek* left off, *Shrek 2* finds our strange but lovable hero journeying with Princess Fiona after their recent honeymoon to the city of Far Far Away where Shrek hopes to make a good impression with Princess Fiona's parents. Don't worry, Donkey returns, also ...

**The buzz:** Despite *Spiderman 2* and *Garfield* opening later this summer, *Shrek 2* is arguably the most anticipated film release of the year. The 22nd highest-grossing movie of all-time, is there really any filmgoer - young or old - who isn't looking forward to seeing Shrek, Princess Fiona and especially

see **PREVIEW** page B3

## "Friends" saying goodbye



## After 10 years, show will be missed on TV

**LAURA KEELING**  
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The number one comedy among 18 - 49 year-olds for five years in a row, "Friends," is finally calling it quits. After 10 successful years, the phenomenon is sure to be missed.

The show, loved by many, will air its final episode on Thursday, May 6 at 8 p.m. The final show will air for two hours and unfold the mysterious, anxiously awaited ending.

Since its debut season in 1994, the show, created by Marta Kaufman and David Crane, has received many prestigious awards and nominations.

These include 55 Emmy nominations, winning one in 2003 for outstanding comedy series, a Screen Actors Guild Award in 1996 for outstanding ensemble performance in a comedy series, four Golden Globes nominations and four People's Choice Awards.

Many of the cast members have built their acting careers due to the immense fame of the show. Jennifer Aniston, Rachel, has starred in such films as *Picture Perfect* and *Office Space*. She is now married to one of the hottest men in Hollywood, Brad Pitt.

Courtney Cox Arquette, Monica, has starred in the *Scream* movies, while Matthew Perry, who plays Chandler, has had leading roles in *Serving Sara* and *The Whole Nine Yards*. Though they are married to each other on the show, in real life, Courtney Cox Arquette is married to the infamous David Arquette and Perry is still single but searching.

Lisa Kudrow, Phoebe, has starred in major films such as *Romy*

and *Michelle's High School Reunion*, *Analyze This* and a new film with Val Kilmer, *Wonderland*. Though Kudrow is a corny folk singer and yoga instructor on the show, she is a very talented actress that has proven herself time and again with major roles in several films.

Matt LeBlanc, Joey, has starred in *Charlie's Angels* and *Lost in Space*. His womanizing soap opera actor image on the show has made him one of the favorite characters among the friends.

Last, but not least, David Schwimmer, Ross, has starred in many films and theatrical productions. Some of these include *The Pullbearer*, *Six Days Seven Nights* and *Kissing a Fool*.

The question at hand that has gone unanswered is, if this show is so popular, then why is it going off of the air?

"They have nowhere else to go," said Kim Cull, freshman music therapy major.

As for many shows, there is only so much that can happen to one particular group of people. As a result of this, many shows will sadly come to an end no matter how popular they are or how big the ratings.

However, that doesn't mean there won't be big surprises for the ending.

"I hope that Chandler and Monica get a baby," said Amy Hardcastle, freshman psychology major.

Though there are many hopes for the outcome of "Friends," the biggest hope that the show might return for another season will certainly not come true. After an extremely successful and long run, the show will pull the plug and become a landmark for shows to come.

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## Who is your favorite "Friend?"



**JOANNA KING**  
SOPHOMORE ELEMENTARY EDUCATION MAJOR

"I don't have a favorite. I love them all. Without any of them, the show would not be the same!"



**NEHA PATEL**  
FRESHMAN NURSING MAJOR

"Rachel. She has a great sense of style, and I love her personality. She plays her role well and her hair is awesome!"



**STEPHANIE AEVANS**  
SENIOR HEALTH EDUCATION AND PROMOTION MAJOR

"Phoebe. She is a unique individual who is random in her thoughts."



**LEIGH ATCHESON**  
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"Joey because he is so stupid but always seems to have a good time."

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## Karges hypnotizes campus

*Mentalist visits ECU tonight*

KIMBERLY WRIGHT  
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The idea of being under someone's mystical power seems childlike. In reality, however, many adults are infatuated with the thought of being hypnotized.

Hypnotism is actually a growing entertainment source for adults. It is everywhere – on TV, commercials, magazine ads and amusement parks. We've all seen the magic shows in which entertainers control the audience members with mysterious powers and never really know how they were controlled.

Today, trained professionals are skilled in the art of hypnotism and wowing audiences worldwide. Being hypnotized is a state of mind that unlocks the unconscious and gives control to the hypnotist.

If you have never seen this type of show, you can see it at the Hendrix Theatre Tuesday, April 19 at 8 p.m. Craig Karges, a well-known mentalist, will be performing on the behalf of the Student Union Spectrum Committee.

"Craig Karges is a great entertainer – he captivates audiences and leaves students spellbound. No one will be disappointed viewing the show," said Stephen Gray, director of student activities.

Karges is a mentalist who broke into the entertainment industry because of his uncle who was also in the industry and inspired him.

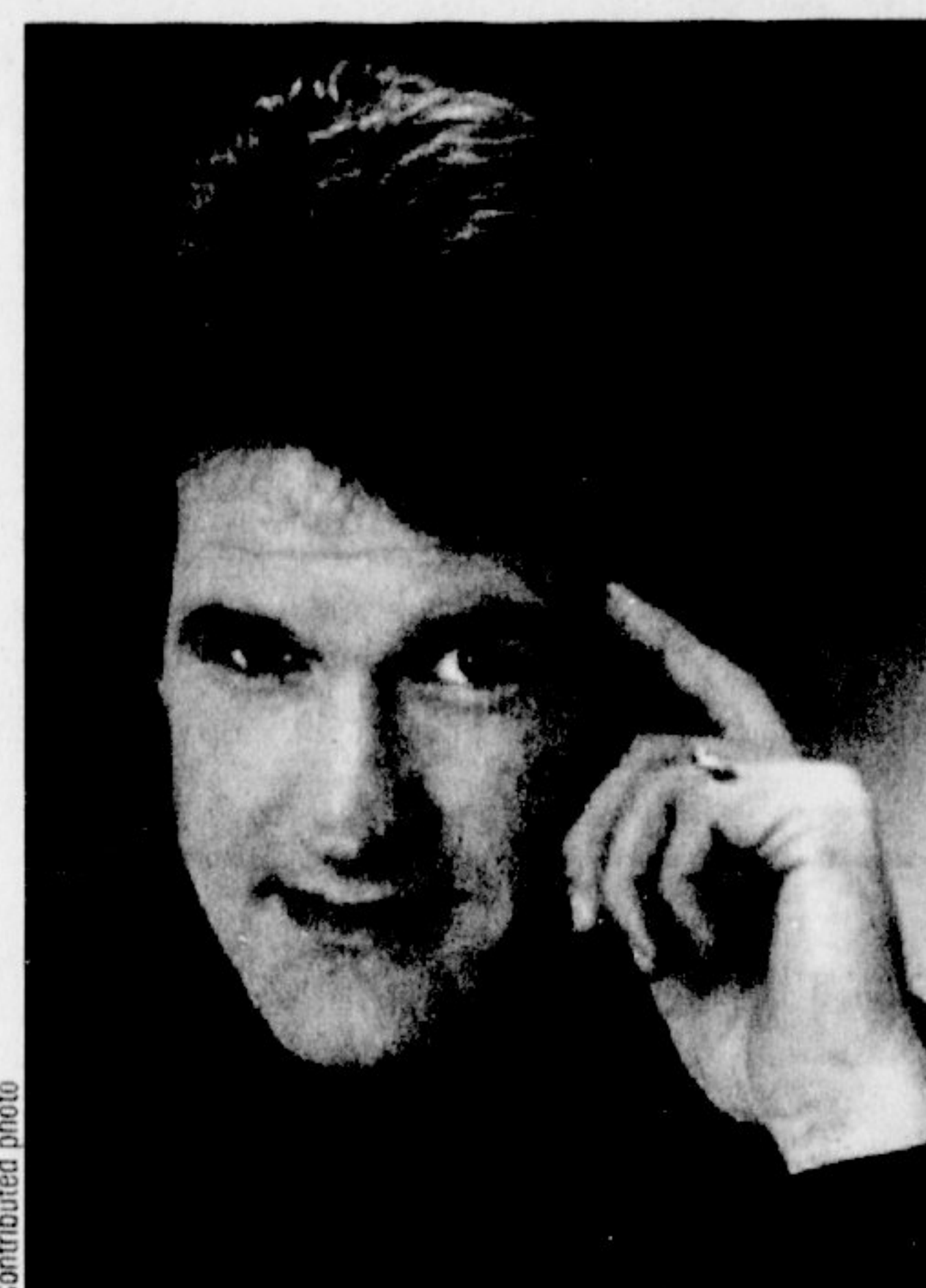
Craig Karges presents a performance that includes levitating tables and blinding himself with 50-cent pieces while quoting license numbers of audience members as well as birth dates.

That is just the beginning of the level of amazement he presents. Karges was recently awarded Entertainer of the Year for the eighth consecutive time.

"I have never been to a show like that, and I look forward to it," said Clarisa Cepeda, freshman business major.

The show is filled with amazement and is meant to reach into the world of the unknown to keep audiences guessing.

Many think hypnotism is fake, but it really depends on what you believe in and if you can



Mentalist Craig Karges performs tonight.

handle being amazed by what you see.

At this performance, students and audience members can expect to see a highly skilled mentalist – not hypnotist – perform.

So will people be hypnotized? That is left to be seen at the performance.

The show is well-known to ECU and has enjoyed a great rate of attendance.

"I have seen people get hypnotized before for all kinds of reasons such as to quit smoking or for pure fun to see if it's real, but I am still not sure if it isn't, since I have never been before," said Krystal Wilkins, freshman undecided major.

To receive further information about the show, you can contact the Student Union Spectrum Committee at 328-4715 or stop by 236 Mendenhall Student Center.

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### Preview from page B2

Donkey yuk it up onscreen one more time?

**Release date:** May 21

**The Day After Tomorrow** – Starring Dennis Quaid, Sela Ward – Directed by Roland Emmerich

**The background:** Climatologist Jack Hall (Quaid) tries to

figure out a way to save the world from abrupt global warming. He ventures to New York to be with his family, which has been taken over by a new Ice Age.

**The buzz:** The trailer looks amazing and the cast is respectable, but director Roland Emmerich has been in this situation

before. Sometimes he hits (*Independence Day*) and sometimes he misses (*Godzilla*) ... hopefully he hits the mark with what could be the surprise money-maker.

**Release date:** May 28

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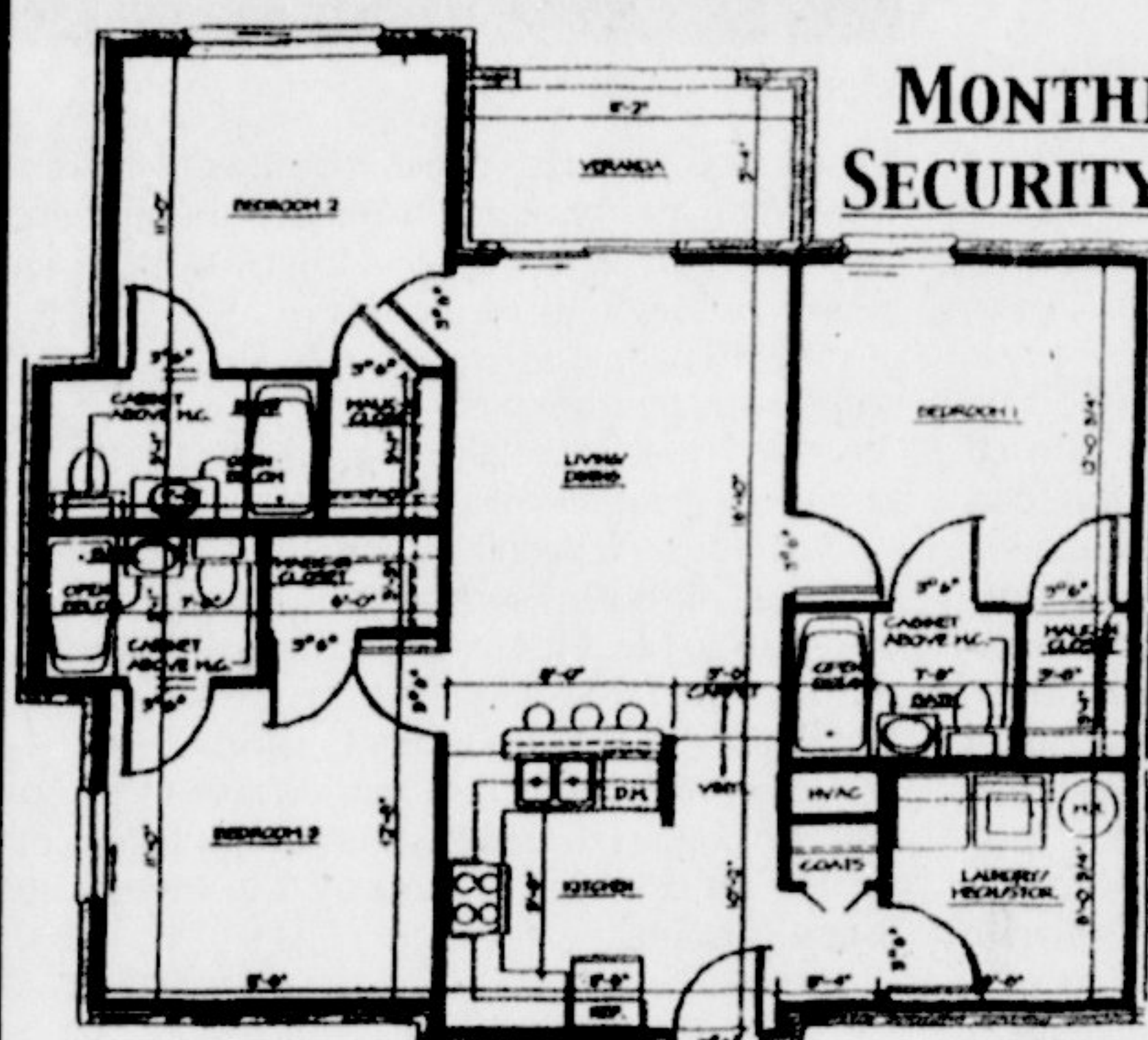
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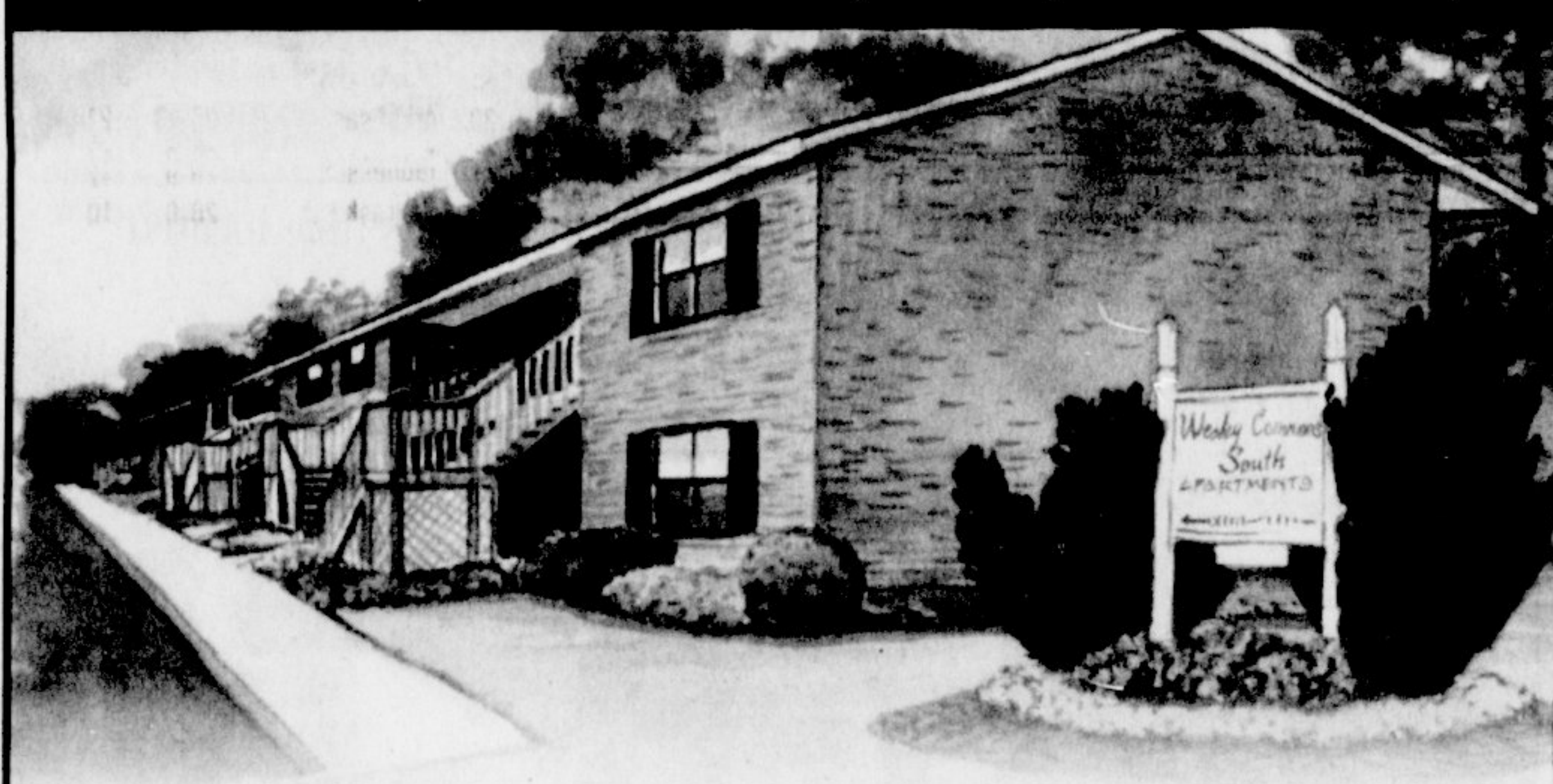


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## School of Music presents Billy Taylor Jazz Festival

Second annual festival helps celebrate Jazz History Month

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The Billy Taylor Festival is set to celebrate Jazz History Month April 22 - 24. This festival is in honor of one of jazz's all time greats, Billy Taylor.

A living jazz legend who grew up in Greenville, Taylor has lent his name to the festival because of the strength of the jazz studies program at ECU's School of Music.

"When I think Jazz, I think Count Basie, Dizzy Gillespie, Duke Ellington and Billy Taylor," said Michael Crane, director of communication.

"He's the last living jazz legend, and when he talks jazz, he talks firsthand about the people you hear performing on the radio or learned about in jazz history class."

Since last year's performance, Taylor has earned an honorary doctorate from ECU when he was the commencement speaker last December.

"The Billy Taylor Festival allows students to celebrate

America's true classical music. You can't get this kind of quality and these kinds of performances anywhere else except from the arts at ECU," Crane said.

The second annual festival includes concerts and clinics and will feature Bob Mintzer and the Yellow Jackets.

Mintzer has recorded 11 Big Band CDs for the DMP label and been nominated for five Grammy's. His talents include performing as a tenor and soprano saxophonist and playing the flute and clarinet. As a composer, arranger and educator, Mintzer encompasses many abilities that could label him a musical genius. In 2002, Mintzer won a Grammy for the Bob Mintzer Big Band recording, "Homage to Count Basie."

The Yellow Jackets were nominated this year for contemporary jazz album of the year due to their work on *Time Squared*. Although they did not win, they hold two previous Grammys and over a dozen nominations.

The Billy Taylor Festival will offer many different opportunities for students to become aware of jazz music and its history.

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### Event Info

Thursday, April 22

4 p.m. - Workshop, Big Band Critique with ECU Jazz Ensembles A and B, Fletcher Recital Hall. Free

8 p.m. - Concert 1: Jazz Bones, Fletcher Recital Hall. Free

10 p.m. - IAJE Jam Session, ECU combos at Glennon's in the Greenville Hilton, set 1. Free

11:30 p.m. - IAJE Jam Session, ECU combos at Glennon's in the Greenville Hilton, set 2. Free

Friday, April 23

7 p.m. - Concert 2: ECU Jazz Ensemble A with special guest soloists in the Greenville Convention Center/Hilton

Saturday, April 24

8 p.m. - Concert 3: 2004 Billy Taylor Jazz Festival Gala Concert (dinner/show) featuring Bob Mintzer, Russell Ferrante and Marcus Baylor (The Yellow Jackets) Greenville Convention Center/Hilton Inn

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## Announcements

### ECU's Belton Rivers To Transfer

ECU sophomore Belton Rivers has indicated he will leave the Pirate basketball program, confirmed Head Coach Bill Herrion on Monday. "Belton has decided to leave and pursue other options," said Herrion. "We wish him nothing but the best of luck." Rivers, a 6-foot-1 guard from Atlanta, Ga., played in 53 games the last two seasons and averaged 8.4 points per game during his two-year stint. He led ECU in three-pointers made both seasons. Rivers didn't indicate what school he will transfer to.

## Sports Briefs

### South Korea's soccer coach resigns

Humberto Coelho resigned Monday as South Korea's soccer coach following a string of poor performances. The Portuguese-born Coelho and the Korea Football Association agreed last week to end his contract and he announced that decision Monday, association spokesman Song Ki-ryong said. Coelho took over in March 2003 from Guus Hiddink, the Dutchman who led South Korea's run to the 2002 World Cup semifinals. South Korean fans were angered by Asian Cup qualifying losses last year to Vietnam and Oman, and the criticism mounted when the team tied the Maldives in a World Cup qualifier on March 31.

### Adu scores first professional goal

Freddy Adu's first professional goal didn't help D.C. United win. The 14-year old, who joined Major League Soccer this season, scored in the 75th minute of Saturday's 3-2 loss to the MetroStars. Adu, the youngest player in a major U.S. pro league in more than a century, did not start but replaced Alecko Eskandarian in the 54th minute. Adu thrilled the crowd of 31,149 when he sneaked behind two defenders to take a crossing pass from Joshua Gros and knocked a sliding, left-footed shot past Jonny Walker. Adu was surprised by the warm reception he received from the Giants Stadium crowd. Reserve forward Fabian Taylor scored two goals in a 13-minute span of the second half for the MetroStars. Taylor, who joined the MetroStars last month after playing four years in Jamaica, entered the game after halftime and outscored Adu. In the 50th minute, MetroStars midfielder Mark Lisi made a cross from 25 yards out to Taylor, who first attempted a header that was stopped with a diving save by Doug Warren. Taylor kicked home the rebound, however, for an unassisted goal that tied the game at 1. Seven minutes later, the MetroStars went up 2-1 when John Wolyniec headed home his second goal of the season. In the 63rd minute, 17-year-old Eddie Gaven eluded two defenders to push the ball ahead to Taylor, whose left-footed shot trickled past Warren for a 3-1 lead.

### Urlacher and Bears won't exactly be Lovie-dovie

Chicago Bears middle linebacker Brian Urlacher expects his team to employ a more aggressive defensive approach under new coach Lovie Smith. Chicago's goal is to improve on an NFC-worst 20 forced turnovers last season. Smith, the defensive coordinator for a St. Louis team that finished with a league-high 46 takeaways last season, has brought a new style to Chicago, asking linemen and linebackers to move upfield faster. Some of the team's practice rules have also changed. The ball is always live so players can get used to causing turnovers. A simple incomplete pass during minicamp scrimmages results in what looks like a fumble return. Also, defensive players constantly emphasize grabbing for the ball. If a player drops a sure interception, he must do 10 push-ups. Urlacher, who experienced that punishment after dropping one himself, is enjoying his team's new philosophy.

### Berlin solidifies role as Miami QB

Brock Berlin solidified his job as Miami's starting quarterback. The senior completed 11 of 15 passes for 185 yards and threw a perfect 59-yard pass down the sideline for a touchdown in Saturday's annual spring game. Berlin, who transferred to Miami after spending two years at Florida, was inconsistent in his first season as the replacement for Dorsey, a two-time Heisman Trophy finalist. He threw 17 interceptions, fumbled three times and lost twice in November. Berlin threw just 12 touchdown passes and led the offense to its second-lowest scoring average in two decades. He was benched for one game after losing to Virginia Tech and Tennessee.

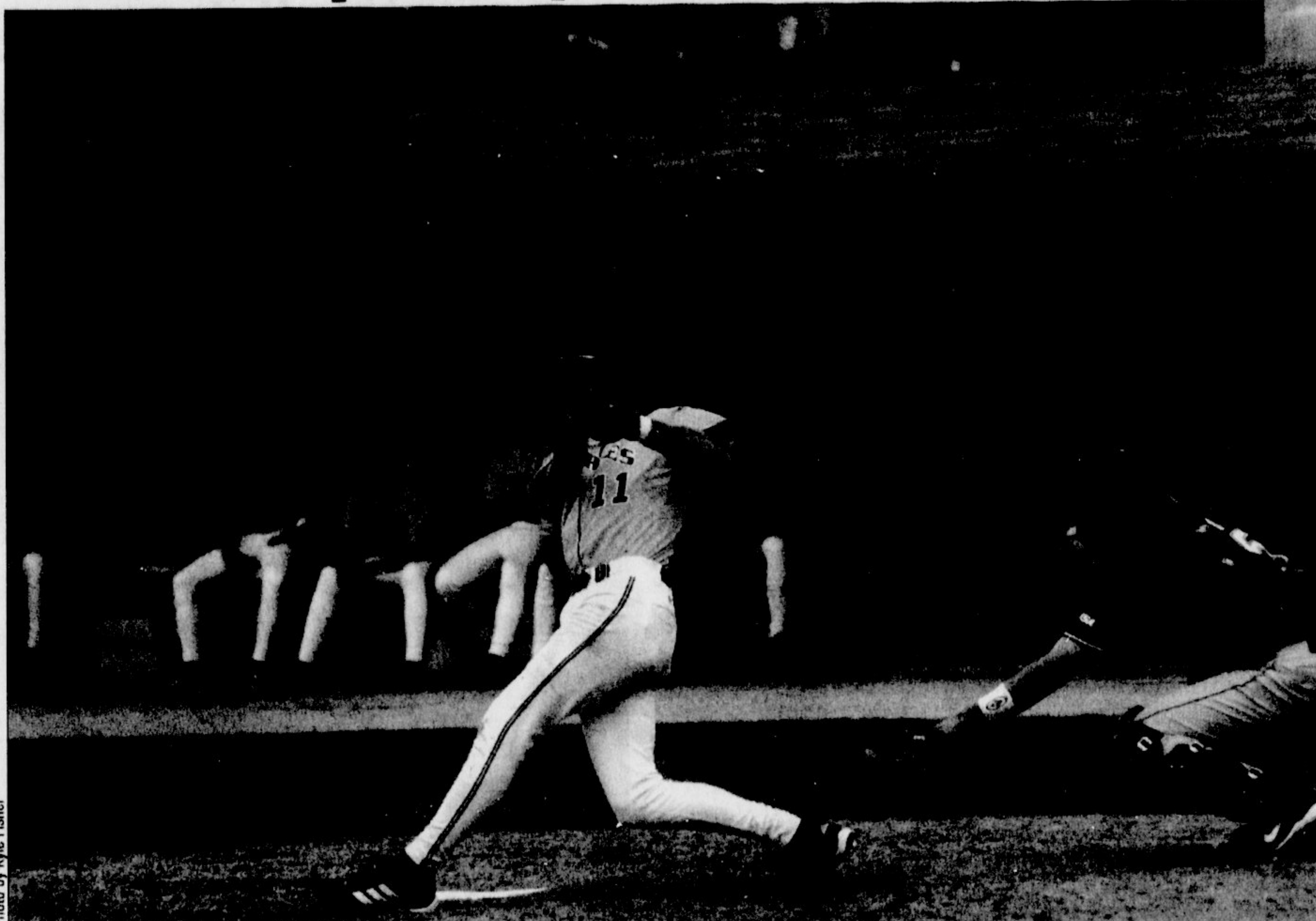
### Nebraska QB throws four TDs in spring game

Bill Callahan showed he's serious about overhauling Nebraska's offense. Joe Dailey had 16 passing attempts in the first quarter of the Cornhuskers' Red-White intrasquad game Saturday in front of a spring game record crowd of 61,417. Callahan's West Coast offense is quite a change for a team that averaged 15 attempts per game last season. Dailey finished 29 of 49 for 241 yards and a spring game-record four touchdowns in the Red squad's 35-6 victory. Callahan said Dailey made major strides in learning the offense during the 15 spring practices. Dailey hopes his spring performance carries over to camp, when junior-college transfer Jordan Adams is expected to challenge for the starter's job. Dailey and the first-string players on the Red offense piled up 354 yards against a White defense that had only six scholarship players. The Red defense was made up of first-unit players going against a squad of offensive reserves. The Reds went three plays and out on the opening series, with Dailey throwing three incomplete passes. Fans used to seeing the I-back run between tackles on first down cheered when Dailey missed tight end Matt Herian on a deep pass on the first play. Eleven Red receivers caught passes, led by Pilkington's six receptions for 61 yards. The Red squad passed on 49 of its 73 plays (67.1 percent).

### Penn State suspends two DLs

Two Penn State football players have been suspended through the summer for their involvement in a fight at the university's ice rink in February. Quarterback Michael Robinson, who needed 24 stitches after the fight, will remain on the team. The involvement of defensive linemen Ed Johnson and Matthew Rice was "more aggressive and potentially more harmful" than Robinson during the fight, Penn State coach Joe Paterno said in a statement released Friday. Paterno described Robinson's participation in the fight as "disappointing" and said the quarterback would be on probationary status, but remain on the team and be able to practice. Rice started eight games last season, finishing with 32 tackles and one sack. Johnson started three games and had 26 tackles. No criminal charges have been filed in the fight, and the university's Judicial Affairs office is investigating.

# Pirates put up record numbers



Trevor Lawhorn and the Pirates batted .455 collectively against Cincinnati last weekend. The highest run output in a three-game series before the 60 runs that ECU put up against the Bearcats was in Charlotte earlier this season (45 total runs).

## ECU moves up to No. 9 in national polls

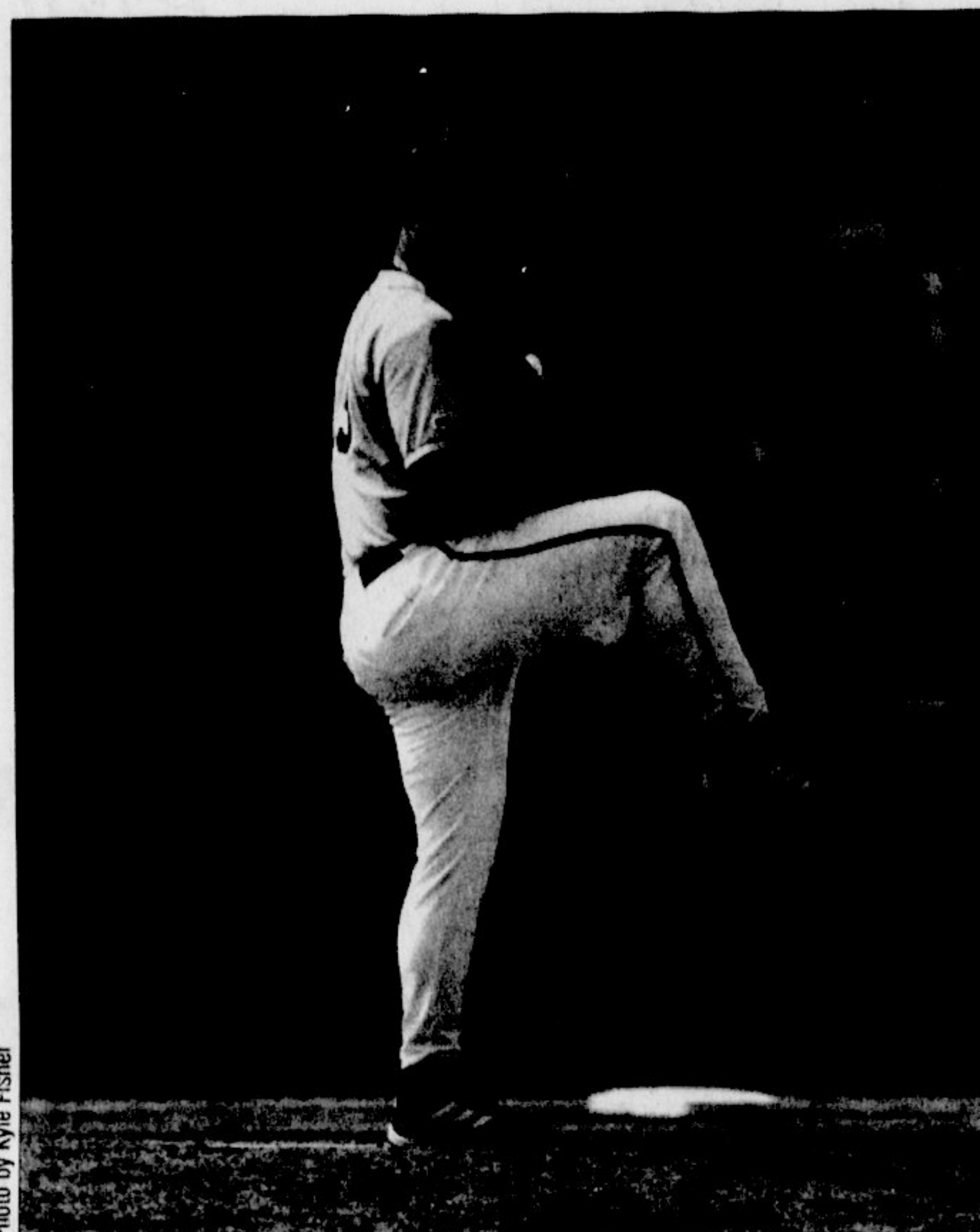
**BRENT WYNNE**  
STAFF WRITER

The Pirate baseball team picked up three more wins and yet another series sweep over conference foe Cincinnati last weekend. Just when you thought the No. 14 ranked Pirate baseball squad had maxed out on their offensive potential with the embarrassment they served up to the 49ers of Charlotte two weeks back, ECU put on another air show as they rang up football like scores winning 15-13, 32-14 and 13-7.

Try these numbers on for size: 60 runs, 65 hits and 15 home runs. Numbers such as these would normally reflect a solid seven or eight game winning streak, but not for these Pirates. To them, it was just another three games of feasting on the opponent's pitching.

Surprisingly enough, the Pirates faced a significant deficit

see **BASEBALL** page B6



ECU will travel to Raleigh this week to face NC State.

## Baseball

Rk.	Team	W-L	LW
1.	Texas	38-5	1
2.	Stanford	29-5	2
3.	Rice	30-7	3
4.	Miami	28-8	4
5.	Long Beach State	26-9	5
6.	Mississippi	31-6	8
7.	Louisiana State	28-10	7
8.	Notre Dame	30-5	9
9.	ECU	31-6	15
10.	South Carolina	26-10	6
11.	Southern Miss	29-8	12
12.	Wichita State	23-7	11
13.	Oklahoma	25-13	13
14.	Auburn	26-12	16
15.	Virginia	32-7	23
16.	UC Irvine	23-10	13
17.	Texas A&M	32-11	13
18.	Tulane	26-12	10
19.	Oral Roberts	31-7	24
20.	Arkansas	25-13	21
21.	Tennessee	29-9	17
22.	Nebraska	26-9	19
23.	Central Florida	32-8	NR
24.	Vanderbilt	26-10	22
25.	North Carolina	27-10	20

Dropped Out: Florida State (25)

# Lady Pirates win three games on road

## ECU softball 41-14-1 with weekend wins

**DAVID WASKIEWICZ**  
STAFF WRITER

Coming off of a series loss to South Florida, the Lady Pirates looked to get back on track with wins on the road. ECU's softball team traveled to Virginia to face Liberty and James Madison in two separate doubleheaders over the weekend.

Although a sweep of both did not take place, the Lady Pirates did come out of the weekend with three victories, improving their overall record to 41-14-1.

ECU opened play on Saturday in game one of their doubleheader against Liberty. The lead changed hands three times in the seventh inning contest with Liberty coming out on top 6-5 despite a valiant effort by ECU.

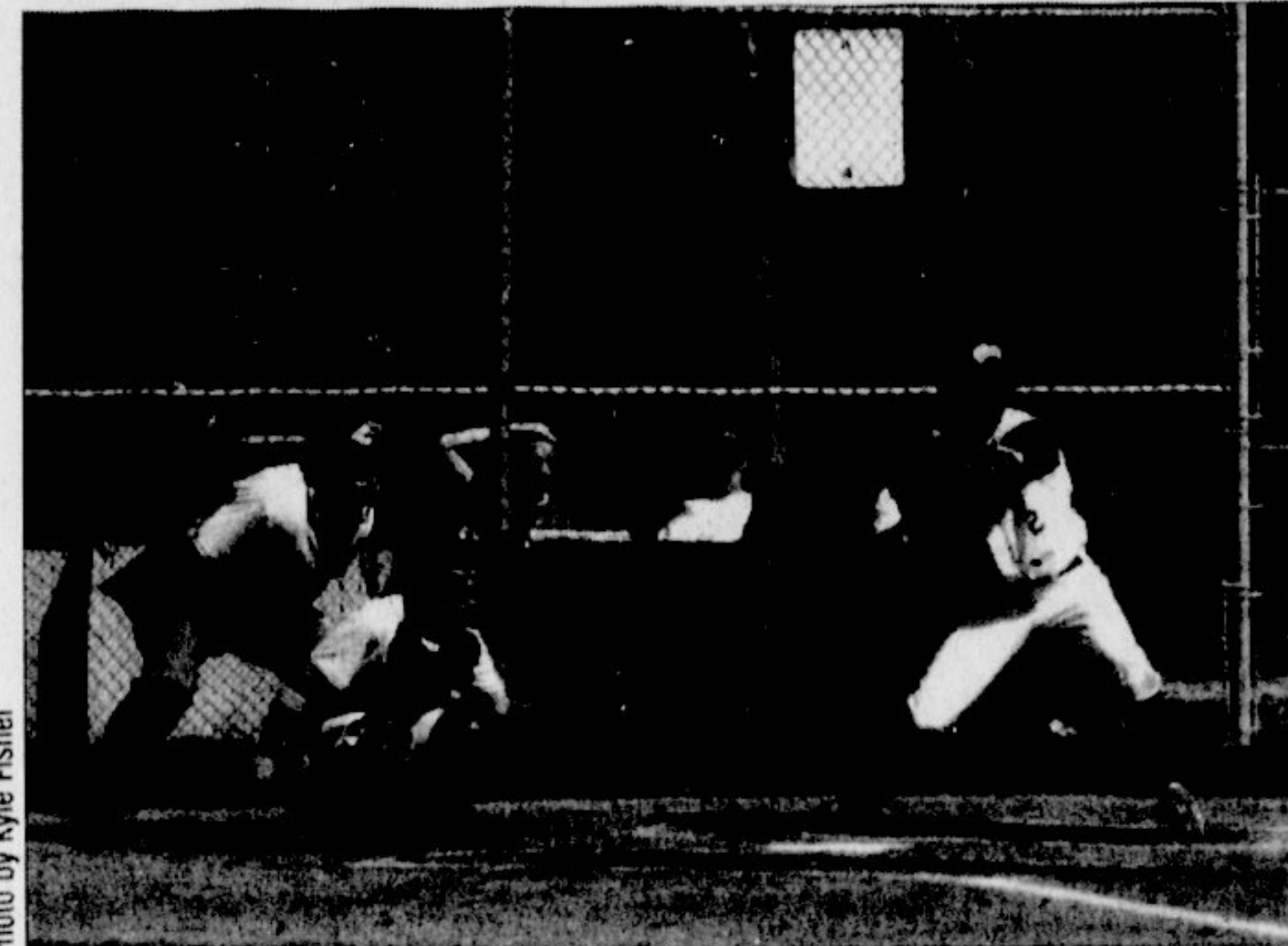
The Lady Pirates did not stay down for long as the team was able to rebound from their previous loss by defeating Liberty in the second game, 17-11.

ECU's sophomore catcher Krista Jessup led the team in hitting, going 5-for-5 at the plate. Lady Pirates' pitcher Brently Bridgeforth improved her record to 15-4 with the victory.

On Sunday, ECU added two more wins to their record as they swept James Madison in a doubleheader, 3-1 and 1-0.

ECU's freshman pitcher Keli Harrell pitched a complete game and improved her record to 12-4 as the Lady Pirates defeated JMU in the first game.

The spotlight of the second JMU game went to ECU's junior pitcher Maggie Lingo, who pitched a complete game and no-hitter. Lingo had no strikeouts and walked two in her 14th win this season.



The Lady Pirates broke the 40-win mark last weekend.

This week, ECU will try to add on to their three-game winning streak with a victory over in-state rival North Carolina.

The Lady Pirates will open play this Wednesday in Chapel Hill at 3 p.m.

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## Sura's quest for piece of NBA history denied

### Triple-double stripped from Atlanta player

**TRENT WYNNE**  
STAFF WRITER

Bob Sura and the Atlanta Hawks had a commanding lead over the New Jersey Nets 129-107 with just seconds remaining on Monday, April 12. Although this blowout victory was a story in itself, it was not the one that made headlines that evening.

Coming into the game with the Nets, Sura had already notched back-to-back triple-doubles, a feat rarely accomplished by any one player more than once or twice a season. It has been seven years since anyone had back-to-back-to-back triple-doubles. On this wild Monday night, however, the streak almost ended.

The Florida State grad see **SURA** page B6

# ECU's Willis receives WNBA tryout

Former ECU women's basketball standout Courtney Willis has been invited to participate in the 2004 Los Angeles Sparks Invitational Tryouts on April 19-20 inside Gersten Pavilion.

Willis, a native of Fayetteville, N.C., will participate in a two-day tryout at Loyola Marymount University in hopes of landing a spot on the two-time WNBA Champions roster.

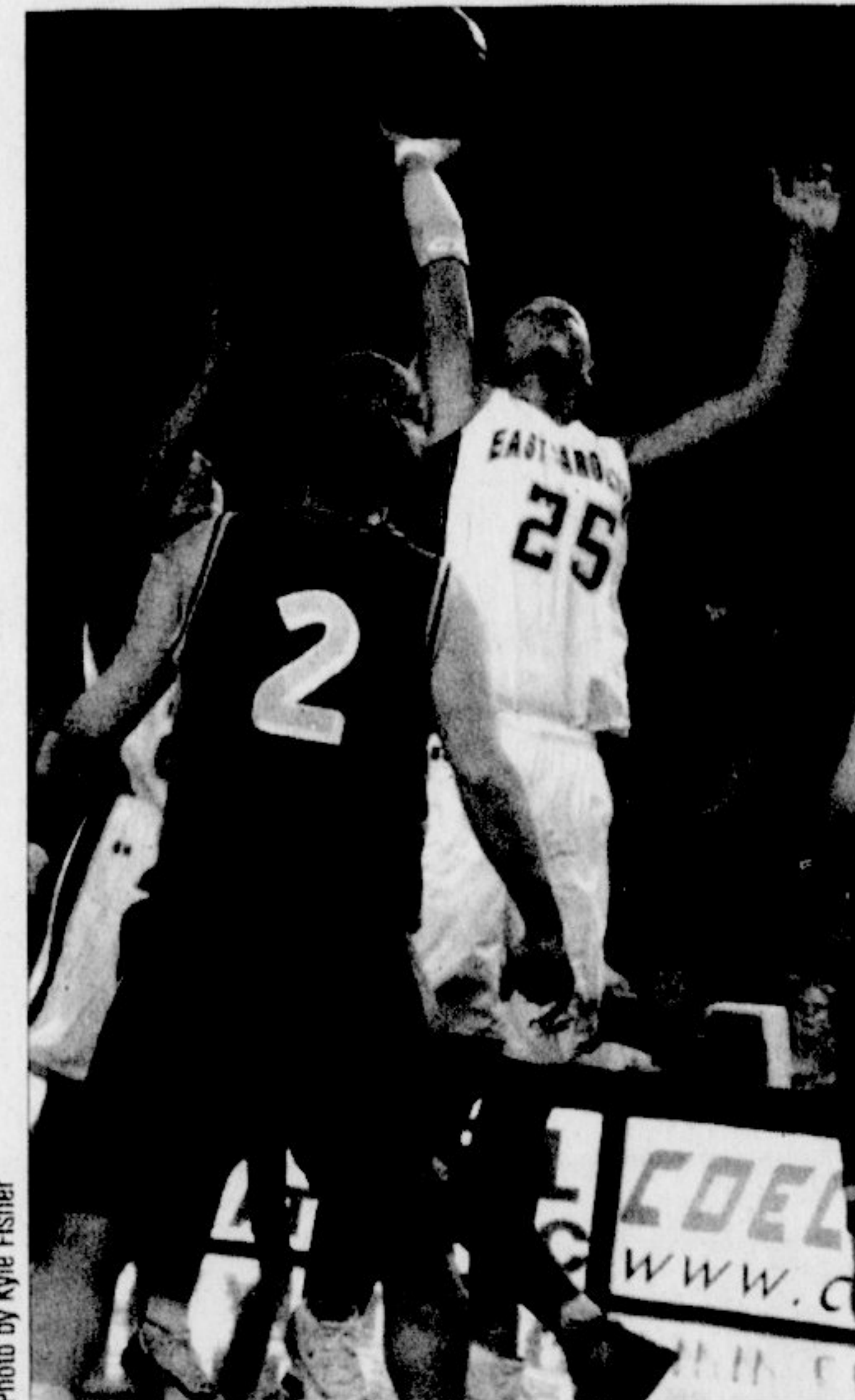
As a senior, the 6-2 center, led the Lady Pirates to back-to-back Conference USA Tournament appearances and became the first Lady Pirate in school history to earn first-team All C-USA honors. She averaged 18.6 points and 10.0 rebounds a contest, and recorded 14 double-doubles on her way to becoming the 18th Lady Pirate to record 1,000 points in a career.

Willis scored 1,374 career points in 102 career games and collected 22 career double-doubles, 67 double digit point games, and 22 double digit rebound games. She sits fifth all-time on the Lady Pirates' career scoring charts, ranks ninth in career scoring average (13.5), and fourth in career field goal accuracy (.512).

"I am very excited for the opportunity that Courtney has to be invited to several WNBA camps and especially with LA," said ECU Head women's basketball Coach Sharon Baldwin-Tener.

"It is a great reflection on the quality of players in C-USA and a great example how our program is improving and starting to get some respect throughout the country. I am very happy for Courtney and it is a tribute to how much she has improved and how hard she has worked in the last couple of years."

The Los Angeles Sparks will begin the 2004 season on May 22 when they travel to Seattle, Washington to take on the Storm.



Willis was outstanding for the ECU last season, scoring more than 18 points per game.



## Six players receive basketball honors

Six players took home six team awards at the 2004 ECU Basketball Awards Banquet at the Murphy Center on Sunday night.

Senior Derrick Wiley was named the Pirates' Most Valuable Player. Wiley led ECU in scoring for a second consecutive season, averaging 14.8 points per game, and ranked among the Conference USA leaders in both scoring and rebounding. As a senior, Wiley led ECU in scoring 16 times, scored 20 points in a game seven times, and registered five double-doubles. The Defensive Player of the Award went to junior Moussa Badiane. Badiane broke his own school single season record for blocks by swatting 92 shots this past season, besting his previous mark of 87, which he set as a freshman. He completed his third season with 239 career blocks to become just the fourth player in C-USA history to amass over 200 career rejections.

The Spirit Hustle Award was given to senior Erroyl Bing. Bing led the Pirates in rebounding for a fourth consecutive season,

averaging 8.3 rebounds per game throughout his career. He is one of 12 players in school history to record over 1,000 points and 500 rebounds during his career and ended his career as the school's second all-time leading rebounder with 937 career boards.

All three of ECU's freshman were recognized with an award. The Most Improved Player Award went to Frank Robinson, who made all 10 of his starts during the season during the final 11 games. Japhet McNeil was given the Doug and Linda Byrd Sixth Man Award after leading ECU in assists (97) and steals (36). Mike Cook also received his C-USA All-Freshman Team award.

Senior Gabriel Mikulas, an honor roll student, was also recognized for having the team's highest grade point average and will receive his degree in May.

Despite suffering a career ending injury in practice on January 14, he holds the ECU career record for free throws made (381) and ranks 16th on the school's career scoring list with 1,086 points.



Three seniors and three freshman received awards for ECU.

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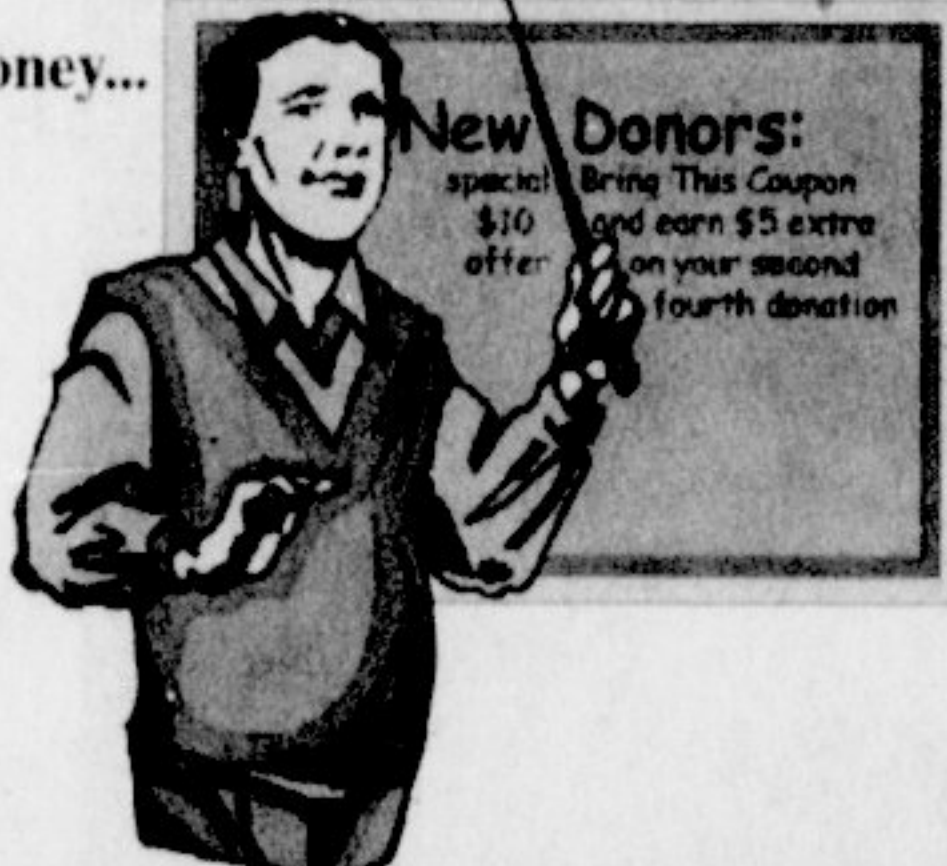
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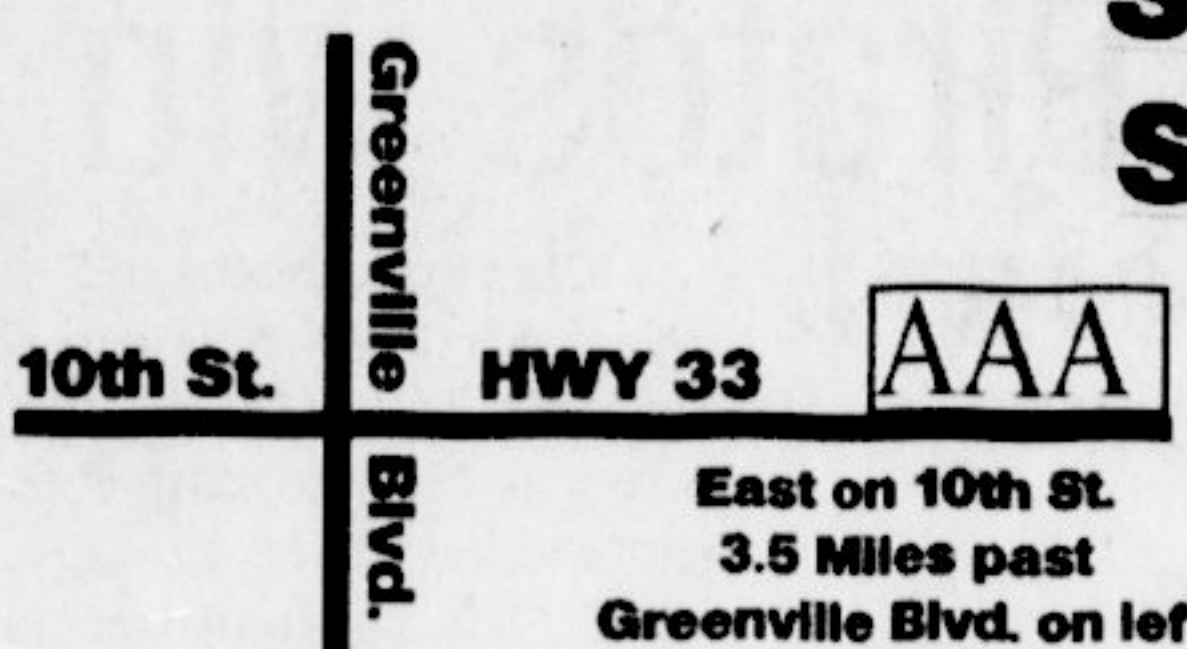
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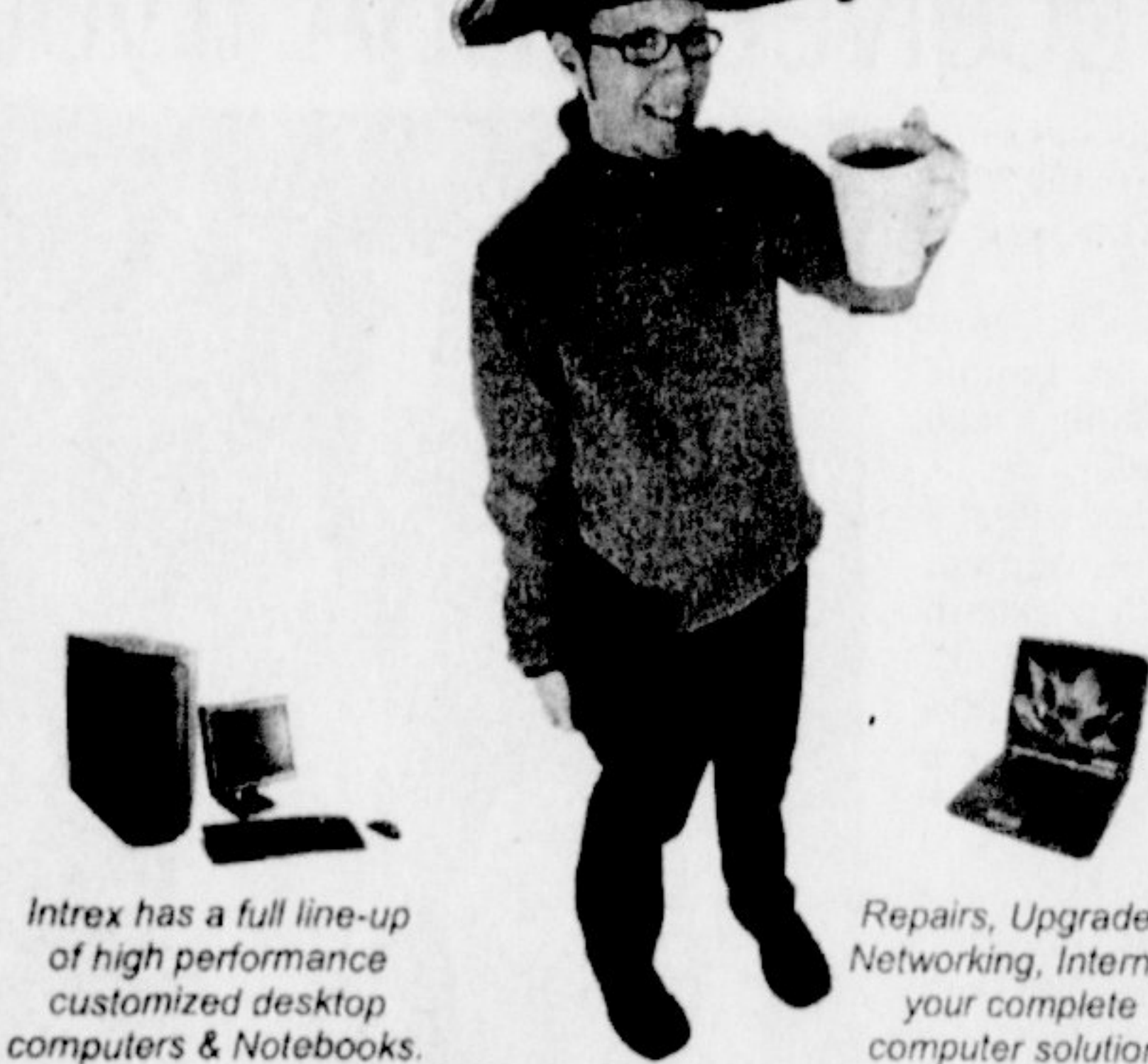
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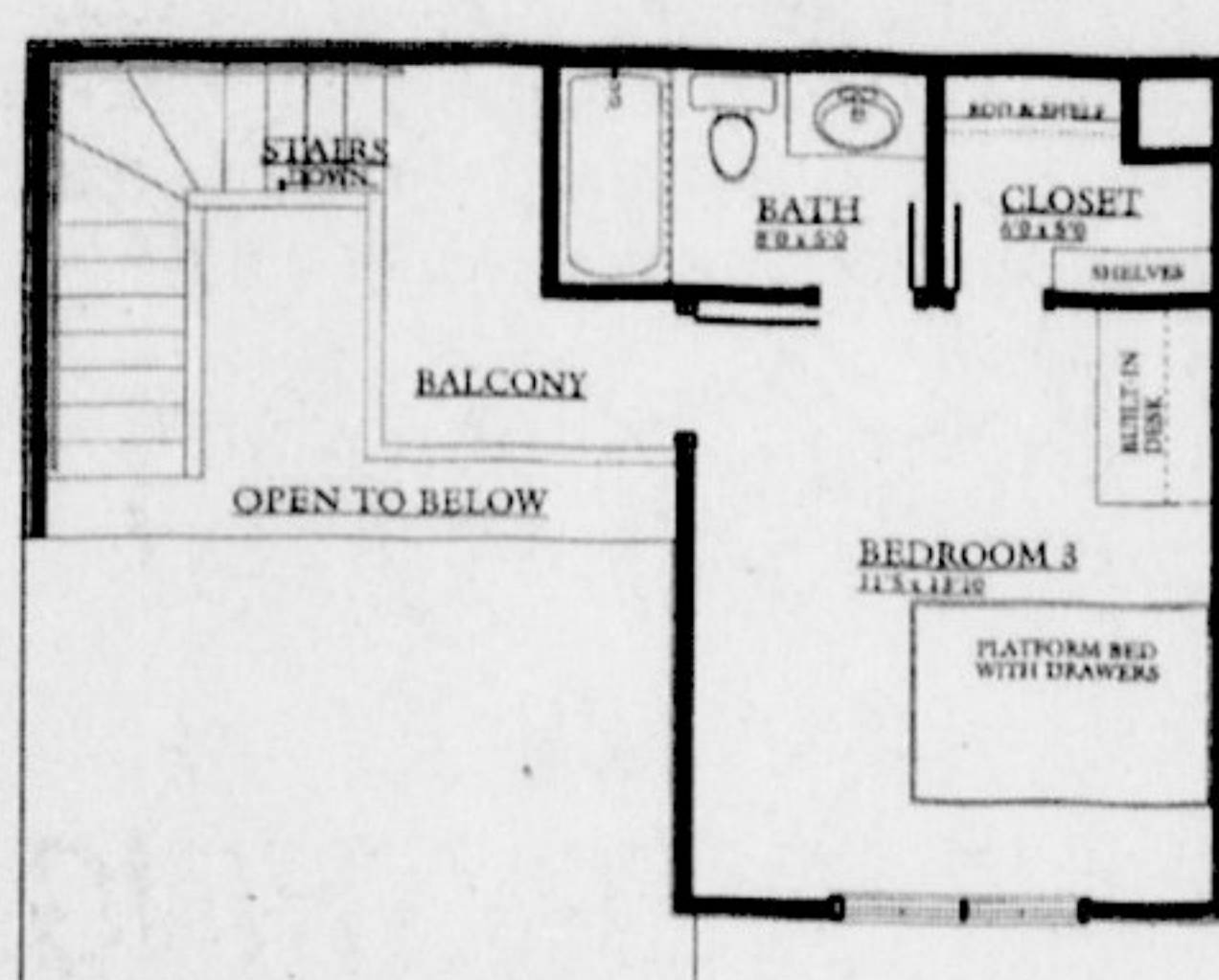
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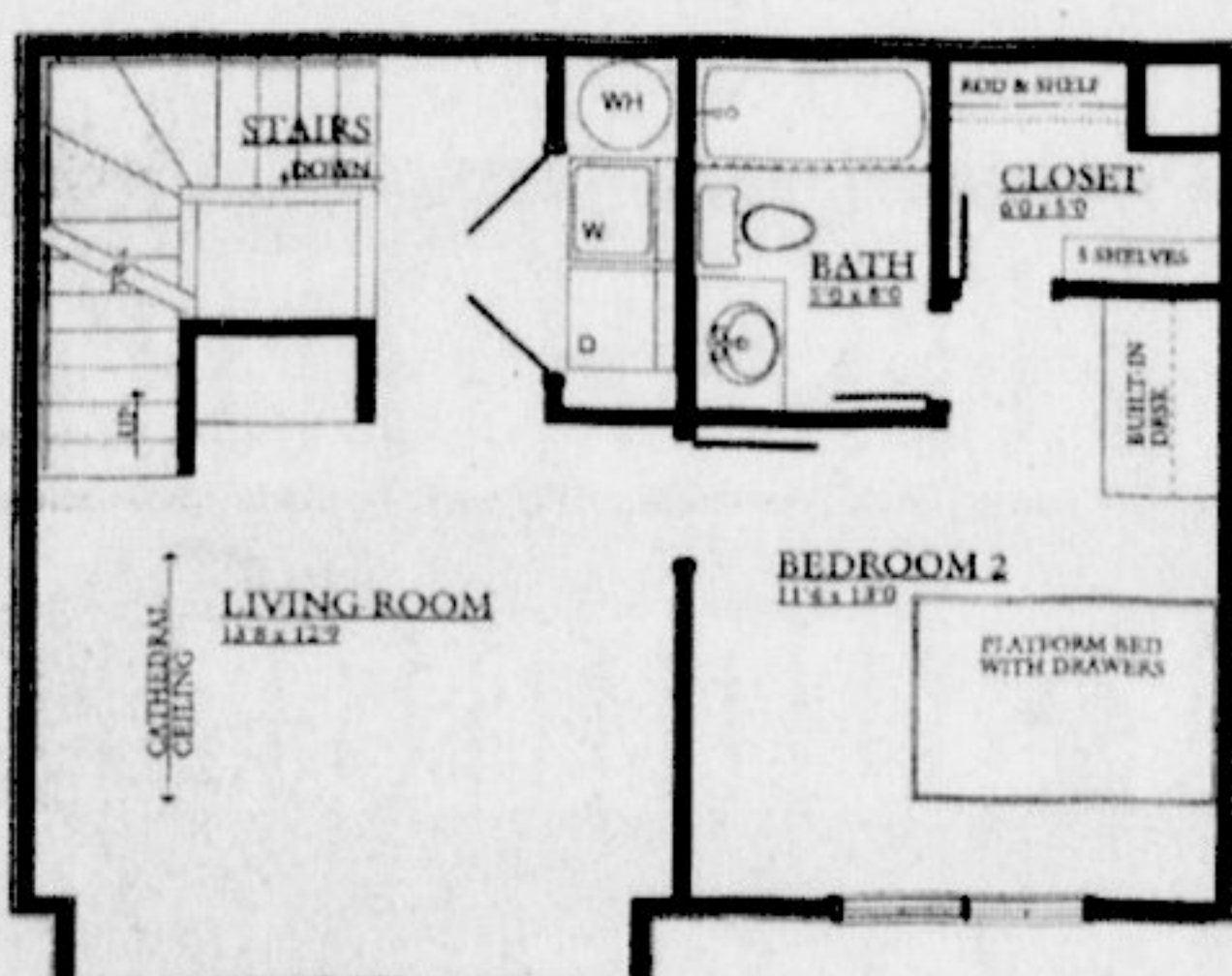


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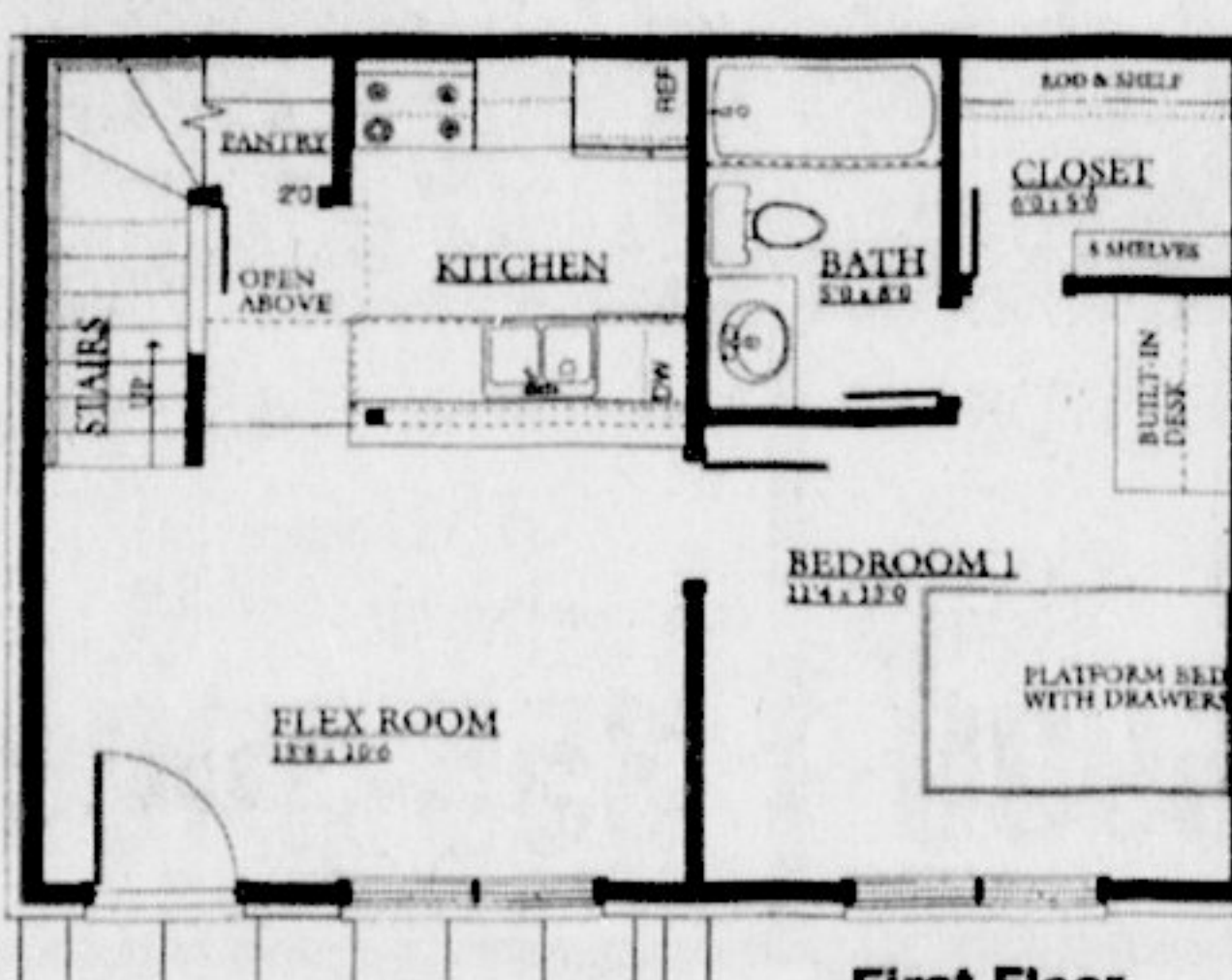
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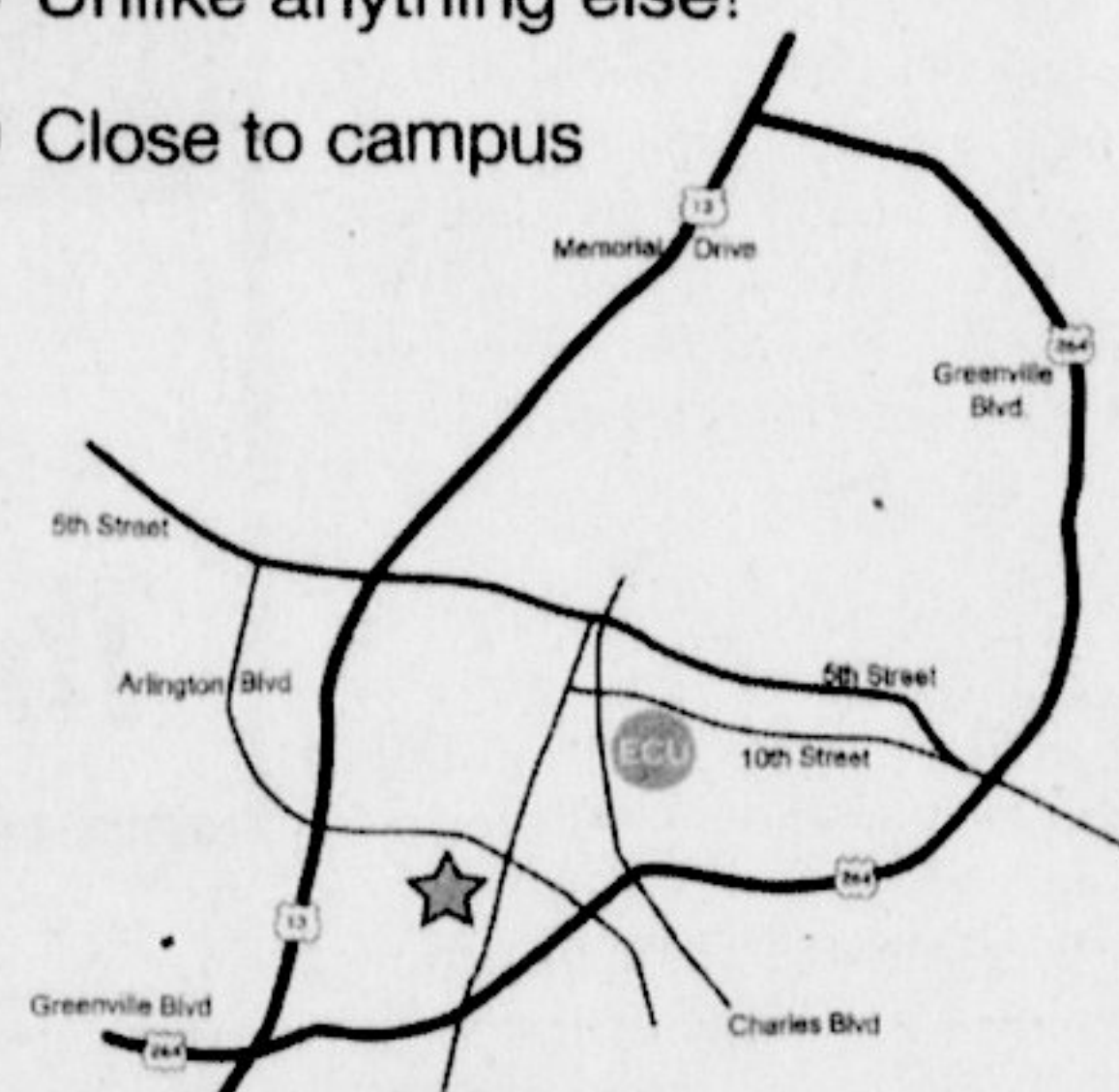
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Several All-Americans decided to leave early for the 2004 draft, including Arkansas offensive tackle Shawn Andrews, Pitt wide receiver Larry Fitzgerald and Southern Cal pass rusher Kenechi Udeze. All project as first-round draft picks.

Smart decisions, right?

When faced with the same decisions a year ago, another offensive tackle (Robert Gallery of Iowa), wide receiver (Roy Williams of Texas) and pass rusher (Will Smith of Ohio State) elected to stay in school.

All projected as first-rounders then. But by staying, all improved their draft stock. Gallery and Williams rank among the top five players in this draft, and Smith is a top-rated pass rusher.

Ole Miss quarterback Eli Manning also elected to stay in school in 2003. He would have been another first-round pick last April.

But by staying on campus, Manning has taken a quantum leap up the board. He projects as the first pick of the 2004 draft, which would place him in a select fraternity that doesn't even include his brother Peyton, who went second overall to the Indianapolis Colts in the 1998 draft.

Playing a senior season allowed Eli to throw 441 more passes in his college career. That gave him 441 more exposures to coverages and blitzes. Experience makes a quarterback great and Manning is a



Smith is projected as a top pick this weekend.

step closer to greatness now than if he had come out after the 2002 season.

"I didn't play as well as I wanted my junior year," Manning explained. "We struggled as a team, and there were a lot of things I wanted to improve on in my game."

"I also wanted to experience a senior season, be a captain, leave with the guys I came in with, and try to end on a good note. We did, having a 10-win season, going to the Cotton Bowl and winning. I definitely made the right decision not coming out."

Manning also used his senior year to establish himself as the greatest quarterback in school history. Those 441 extra passes allowed him to become just the fifth quarterback in SEC history to throw for 10,000 yards. He left Mississippi with 45 school records.

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## Baseball from page B5

in each of the three games starting with game one, in which the Pirates had to fight back on numerous occasions.

Facing a struggling Cincinnati club, the Pirates put up three early runs and it looked as if they had already set the tone for the series. However, the Bearcats made some noise of their own as they chased ECU starter Greg Bunn after a nine-run fourth that gave Cincinnati a sizeable lead. Bunn, who was an unblemished 6-0 heading into game one, was roughed up for eight runs off of 10 hits in only 3.1 innings of work, and was in position to lose his first decision of the year.

"We just couldn't get an out," said Head Coach Randy Mazey.

"It seemed like everything they did that inning went their way. They would try to bunt and would bunt it over our pitcher's head. Or they'd hit a grounder and it would bounce off our pitcher."

The Pirates clawed back in the top of the fifth with three runs to cut the deficit to three, highlighted by Trevor Lawhorn's three-run homer, his 17th of the season.

ECU's new found momentum quickly switched sides again as the Bearcats got all three of those runs back plus one in their halves of the fifth and sixth innings to give them a 13-6 lead with only nine outs to pull off the improbable upset.

The Pirates took a chunk out of the Bearcat advantage with three more runs in the top of the seventh off of a Ryan Norwood two run homer and a John Poppert RBI single up the middle, inching to within 13-9.

After Cincy went down in order in the home half of the seventh, ECU scored again when Ryan Jones sent his 12th homerun of the season over the center field wall to make the score 13-10.

When the top of the ninth rolled around, the Pirates needed three runs to at least give themselves a chance to play extra innings. Darryl Lawhorn doubled to begin the inning, but after two straight groundouts, ECU's nine-game winning streak was in serious jeopardy.

Brett Lindgren's first plate appearance of the game was a good one, as he singled in Lawhorn, bringing Jamie Paige—who represented the tying run—to the plate. After Paige singled and put runners on first and second, Jones slapped a two-run double down the left field line, knotting the score at 13-13. The Pirates tacked on two more in the ninth and held on to win the wild contest 15-13.

"A game like that shows the character of your team," said Mazey.

"We were down 13-6 at one time, but I don't think there was anyone in the dugout that had any doubts about whether we'd come back."

T. Lawhorn led the way at the plate for the Pirates, homering twice and going 3-for-5 with five RBIs and two runs scored. Jones was 3-for-6 with three RBIs and three runs scored.

In game two, Cincinnati proved that the way they roughed up Bunn in game one was no fluke as they poured on six first-inning runs against Brody Taylor, putting the Pirates in yet another hole.

Unfortunately for the Bearcats, the first inning would be the only time the Pirates would be held scoreless for the rest of the game as they piled on a team and Conference USA record

32 runs in the last eight innings of the contest. ECU won going away 32-14. The Pirates also had an RBI for every run scored in the contest, which is another team and C-USA record. ECU also set some team school records for at bats (58) and hits (34).

Jamie Paige's individual onslaught at the plate with seven hits and four doubles was good for two team and C-USA records for hits and doubles in a single game. The senior outfielder also posted five RBIs and four runs scored.

Billy Richardson, who has taken heat from critics about his ability to produce in the line-up, had a breakout day with six hits, six RBIs and four runs scored. One of the hits happened to be Richardson's first home run of the season, a two-run job to right-center field.

Other Pirate players had great performances as well. Ryan Jones was 3-for-5 with a pair of homers, six RBIs and four runs scored. Mark Miniccozzi was a perfect 4-for-4 on the day with a school record five runs scored and an RBI.

John Poppert was 4-for-6 with a home run, an RBI and four runs scored. Brian Cavanaugh homered for the first time this season and was 2-for-2 at the plate with two RBIs and two runs scored. Mike Grace also homered for the third time this season.

"I know we're swinging the bats real well right now, but you can't anticipate a day like that," said Mazey.

"I think it was just a combination of things. We're swinging the bats good, and we got into their bullpen, which is not their strength. Plus, the wind was blowing out. It's beyond comprehension."

Game three finally looked like the game where the Bearcats would steal one from the Pirates as they rode a 3-1 lead and the arm of junk pitcher Aaron Moll into the fifth. The buck stopped there as the Pirates put the finishing touches on the series with an eight run inning that included three two-run home runs, leading to a 13-7 victory.

With two outs in the inning, T. Lawhorn doubled down the left field line, plating Poppert and Richardson, who both had reached on hits. Drew Costanzo, the very next batter, homered to right field. After a single by Norwood, Darryl, T. Lawhorn's other half, blasted a two-run shot to right.

Moll, who had silenced the potent Pirate bats from game one and two, surrendered one more two-run bomb when John Poppert homered to left-center, bringing home himself and Miniccozzi, who had been walked. When the dust finally cleared, the score was 9-3 in favor of the Pirates, who had rallied in a big way once again.

T. Lawhorn led the way once again for the Pirates as he went 2-for-4 with his 18th home run of the season to go along with five RBIs and two runs scored. Ryan Jones also homered in the contest, his 15th of the year.

The Pirates improve to 31-6 overall and 12-3 in C-USA on the season. Southern Miss stumbled in the series finale against Memphis, which allowed ECU to move into a tie for first place in the C-USA standings after completing the sweep of Cincinnati.

The Pirates hit the road again on Wednesday for a 7 p.m. game with in-state rival NC State.

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## Sura from page B5

dished out 11 assists to go along with his 22 points against the Nets. Sura also boarded nine rebounds and with just seconds remaining, he saw his opportunity to jump into the record books.

He took that opportunity. Sura, encouraged by his teammates, purposely missed a lay-up and grabbed his own rebound, securing his tenth on the night and locking down his place in NBA history, right?

Wrong. Less than 24 hours later, the league office ruled that Sura's field goal attempt was an intentional miss and did not reward him with the field goal attempt in his stat sheet. Therefore, with no field goal attempt, there can be no rebound.

This is where the problems lie with me.

Understanding that a field goal attempt and a free throw attempt are different, I tried to take a look at this situation from the league's perspective. It did not take long before I was appalled at the decision. How can the NBA input a rule in some areas of the game and not others?

When a player stands at the free throw line and purposely misses a free throw so that the other team does not have chance to hurry the ball up the court for the final shot, what do you call that? What do you call that, NBA league office?

Do you wipe away the free throw attempt by the player because the player did not make an attempt to score the ball? Does that also take away the rebound from the player that grabbed the board?

If the NBA wants to start making judgment calls on one part of the game, they need to start making judgment calls on all parts of the game.

Let's put this in perspective using other sports as well. For us football fans out there, we all know that when Michael Strahan had his chance to set the single-season sack record in 2002, Brett Favre did a miserable job of acting as if Strahan actually sacked him to the ground.

Favre practically laid on the ground and waited for Strahan to touch him and break the record. No judgment calls there from the NFL and he sits alone in the record books.

What about when a quarter-

back intentionally knees the ball? He is not making an attempt at making some sort of play for positive yards, so why should the NFL allow that to happen? They allow it to happen because it is part of the game.

Should an intentional walk in baseball not be counted after all because the pitcher did not make an attempt to get the batter out? Why doesn't the major league look into this? It is part of the game, that's why.

There are too many situations in the sports world where intentional instances take place. Players intentionally do things during games to make the opposition angry with them. Pitchers intentionally throw at batters to back them off of the plate.

What about the intentional foul in basketball? One player fouls another player with the "intent" of possibly hurting that player. Should we start making judgment calls on all of this? The answer is no because if each league took it upon themselves to evaluate situations like this daily, it would turn the sports world upside down until we had no sports world.

Bob Sura intentionally took his shot at the record books. For those of you who think what the NBA did was right, ask yourself this: If I was in Sura's position and was being egged on by my teammates, would I have done it?

Maybe by some chance your answer was no. Think about something that means a lot to you and would mean a lot to you if you were to accomplish it, then tell yourself that you would not do something as simple as what Bob Sura did to acquire this goal.

Bob Sura took his chance at something that really meant a lot to him in an attempt to fulfill his goal of entering the NBA record books.

Sura said he had no intention to make a mockery of the sport and to take any attention away from the win over the Nets and apologized for the action if it offended anybody.

The NBA needs to apologize to Sura. He did what most all of us would have done put in the same situation.

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