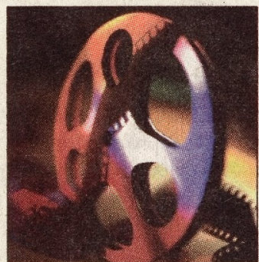


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The ECU softball team has been on a roll as of late. See if the Pirates recent match ups could put them on top of the C-USA standings.....**Page B5**



The ECU men's tennis team has experienced some growing pains so far this season. Find out if the Pirates are ready to take hold of the home court.....**Page B5**

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## Blues on the late night buses



Photo by LeVina Tyrrell

Starting tonight, police will accompany the late night Pirate Express bus rides from downtown.

Officers onboard to ensure safe ride home

ZACK HILL  
SENIOR WRITER

Starting tonight, a police officer will accompany the late night Pirate Express bus rides from downtown.

Due to unacceptable behavior by passengers, police officers will now be on all four routes that provide an alternative to walking or driving.

A variety of factors caused the decision made by ECU police, Greenville city police, student transit and the office of the dean of students.

The behaviors include yelling, foul language, pushing and shoving, refusing to listen to the bus driver, urination in the aisles and

directly annoying the bus driver," said Marilyn Sheerer, vice chancellor of student life.

Other problems include smoking and alcohol being brought onboard.

"No alcohol will be allowed on the buses," said Capt. Mike Perry, commander of the ECU campus safety division. "If you are 21 and want to drink at home you need to find some other means to get it back to your residence."

Perry said that the officers would not look specifically for underage drinkers.

"The intent of placing police officers on the buses is to ensure the safety of everyone utilizing the bus. We are not targeting the underage drinkers. Individuals who are conducting themselves in an inappropriate manner and-

see **LATE BUS** page A2

## 'Buccaneer' cover to be selected by community vote

Voting on Onestop allows everyone to have input

SARAH BELL  
EDITOR IN CHIEF

ECU's yearbook, the *Buccaneer*, is in its second year of republication after a 16-year hiatus—and for the first time the ECU community is invited to vote online via Onestop to determine which cover will be used.

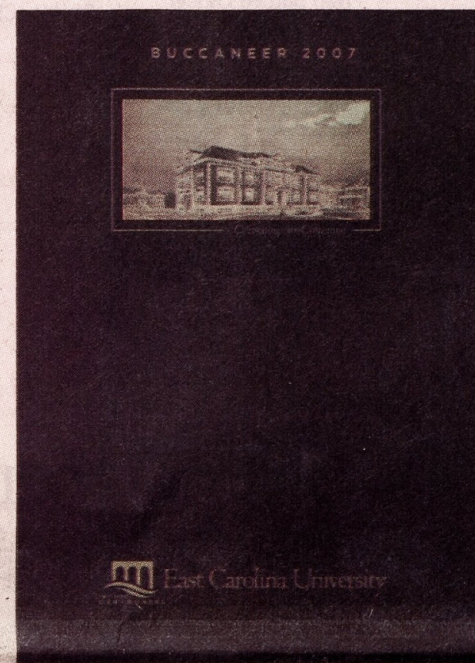
The three different covers, each designed by ECU students and staff, are available to view and vote on for selection as the Centennial yearbook cover. Voting opened at midnight March 21 and 225 votes were received as of 6 p.m. the first day. The poll will remain open until April 17.

Genevia Hill, assistant director of Student Media, said the use of an online poll to determine the yearbook's cover was decided upon so that "[the ECU commu-

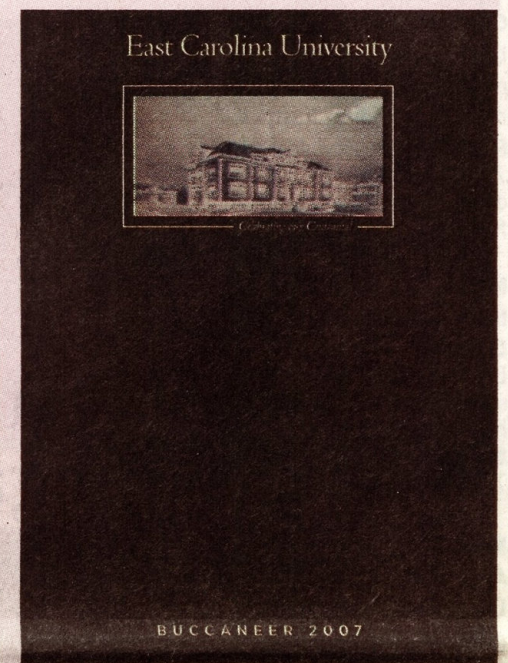
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**DESIGN NOTES:**  
Emphasis on 100 year celebration  
Utilizes Centennial logo  
Purple cover with gold lettering



**DESIGN NOTES:**  
Textured purple cover, Gold lettering  
Architectural rendering of Old Austin, circa 1907  
Theme of "Celebrating the Centennial"



**DESIGN NOTES:**  
Matte grey cover, Gold lettering  
Architectural rendering of Old Austin, circa 1907  
Theme of "Celebrating the Centennial"  
Spot varnish 100 used in background

## ECU student action team calls on all to help

Saving Darfur the cause

CARMIN BLACK  
STAFF WRITER

For centuries African countries have suffered famine, poverty and relentless destitution. One of those countries battling what President Bush calls a "mass genocide" is Sudan.

For the last three years, 10,000 Sudanese people have died each month in Darfur due to civil war, marginalization and constant attacks by the Janjaweed.

Even though the United States, along with numerous other countries who are a part of the U.N., have taken measures to aid Darfur and the many refugees forced to flee their homes, many people feel further assistance is still greatly needed.

Because of this need, committees, foundations and clubs around the world have been created to help stop this genocide.

Three weeks ago the Student Action Team was created at ECU to help the people of Darfur. The SAT is a sub-organization of Pi Kappa Delta, ECU's communication fraternity, but is serving as an apolitical organization with no designated officers or group members.

"We hope this group [SAT] will actually serve more as a think-tank; a separate business entity that can include any and every ECU student or group interested in becoming involved," said PKD's president and SAT facilitator, Roger Conner. All finances raised by SAT go directly to Darfur and SAT has collaborated with SaveDarfur.com, one of the largest organized advocates for the elimination of all violence in Sudan.

According to Brendan I. Koerner from his article in *Slate Magazine* entitled, "Who Are the



Members of Pi Kappa Delta gather outside of Mendenhall.

Janjaweed? A Guide to the Sudanese Militiamen," the Janjaweed are mostly men of Arab descent who have long been in opposition to Darfur's settled African farmers, (differently identified by their darker skin).

Koerner makes it clear that the Janjaweed have long been fighting for control over Darfur's scarce water and useable farmland. However, it was in 2003 that these armed forces became increasingly more aggressive.

"Two non-Arab groups, the Sudan Liberation Army and the Justice and Equality Movement, took up arms against the Sudanese government, alleging mistreatment by the Arab regime in Khartoum. In response to the uprising, the Janjaweed militias began pillaging towns and villages inhabited by members of the African tribes from which the rebel armies draw their strength—the Zaghawa, Masalit and Fur tribes," said Koerner, again taken from his article in *Slate Magazine*.

But to say that the Janjaweed simply pillage would be like saying a tsunami only trickles in over a city. According to SaveDarfur.com, the

Janjaweed have actually caused over 400,000 deaths and have forced over 2 million people to flee their homes only to live in refugee camps in neighboring Chad. The situation in Sudan has been described as "the largest and most complex humanitarian problem on the globe," according to António Guterres, the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees.

"Our mission is to raise public awareness about the ongoing genocide in Darfur and to mobilize a unified response to the atrocities that threaten the lives of two million people in the Darfur region," states the Save Darfur Coalition mission statement. Besides collaborating with SaveDarfur.com, SAT is currently calling out to every organization on campus for their participation as well.

"I encourage everyone to take action, no matter how small. The power of one person utilizing their voice to help others is immense. The power of groups of people utilizing their collective voice to help others is life changing," Conner said.

see **ACTION** page A5

## Further privacy protection in process

Final examinations of OneStop system

ALYCIA WENDT  
STAFF WRITER

The Office of the Internal Auditor is in the process of doing audits and selecting an outside vendor to look at the OneStop code involved with the January privacy breach.

This recent privacy breach, which occurred Jan. 22, was not because of a hacker or a network intrusion. It was simply a bug in the OneStop system.

This bug could have occurred from the writing of bad codes that didn't work as the program intended it to.

"It is a regrettable incident; however, we are confident that it was not a malicious one. In other words, there is no evidence to indicate any theft of data," said Interim Chief Information Officer Jack Brinn.

An internal audit of the procedures surrounding the previous breach is in the final stages. This audit will determine any procedural changes that need to be made to prevent a future breach.

Another examination by an outside firm of the OneStop programming code will determine if there are any other possibilities of personal information in danger of exposure. An outside firm has not yet been selected, but a few companies have made proposals.

"I did feel safe before, but now that this happened I'm not sure. We put our info in systems like that [OneStop] thinking that ECU is going to keep it safe. I don't think anybody could have predicted that something like that would happen," said freshmen Jymme Anne Walton.

According to the Executive Director of University Communications John Durham, there have been a number of contacts concerned about their credit card information.

If these contacts wish to reactivate their credit card to ensure their information has not been revealed, the University will look into these individuals' situations to decide if they will cover the reactivation fees, according to Durham.

"If any organization or institution requires us to provide this sort of information, it has an obligation to protect it, to anticipate ways that it might be accessed and take preventive steps. It is no different from any other duty of care," said Professor Bill Loving.

If anyone is worried that their credit card information has been revealed, credit card reports are free of charge once a year.

According to Brinn, ECU has never had an incident like this occur before in the past. Over the past two years over 101 million clients of major banks, universities, retail businesses, brokerage houses, and federal and state agencies have experienced personal data exposure.

These incidents occur because of hackers, lost laptops and other situations. Brinn thinks that a few people who suspect their information was revealed in the ECU incident had higher worries because they might have experienced identity theft before, according to Brinn.

"I don't think it is right that they use our social security numbers as our student identifications. It is good that they are going to fix that with Banner. As a university, if they are going to have our personal information, I think that they should be able to keep it more concealed," said sophomore Ashley Stanton.

Banner, which students will begin using to register for the 2007 summer and fall semesters, will terminate the use of social security numbers as student identification numbers.

"If my parents are going to pay

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## CORRECTIONS

The *East Carolinian* is dedicated to accurate reporting and will correct errors published in the paper.

To submit a correction, send an e-mail to editor@theeastcarolinian.com.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**March 22 – March 29 Fall 2007 Registration**  
Banner is the new method of class registration at ECU. Visit [thisisbanner.com](http://thisisbanner.com) to find information about the new Banner system.  
8 a.m. – 5 p.m.

### Scholarships being offered by NC National Guard

The North Carolina National Guard is currently offering two, two and a half and three year scholarships. Those interested can see SFC Jimmy Smith in Room 344-A Rawl Building to pick up an application packet. Information can also be obtained by calling (252) 916-9073 344-A Rawl Building

### March 23

#### Contra Dance

Live, old-time and Celtic music by a string band in the Willis Building, First and Reade Streets. Downtown 7:30, lesson; 8 – 10:30, dance. A smoke and alcohol-free event. 752-7350.

### March 26 – April 23

#### Intro to Ballroom

**Dancing**  
Learn the basic steps of ballroom dance with this weekly hour-long class.  
SRC 239  
7-8 p.m.

### March 27 – April 4

#### American Red Cross Lifeguard Training

Earn American Red Cross Lifeguard certification. Topics include water rescue skills, CPR/PR and First Aid. All books and pocket masks are provided. This certification lasts for three years. Minimum age is 15. \$150 Members; \$170 Non-members. Registration deadline is March 26 (Must attend all classes).  
SRC  
6:30 – 9:30 p.m.

### March 24 – 31

#### Service North Carolina: Supporting the Pirate Nation

This event brings together students from 16 North Carolina colleges and universities for a week of giving back. Help prove how much ECU cares about the community; log on to [ecu.edu/volunteer](http://ecu.edu/volunteer) for more information.

### Fat Metabolism Study

#### - Volunteers Needed

This study tries to determine why individuals differ in the ability to gain and lose weight Human Performance Lab & The Brody School of Medicine  
ECU Human Performance Laboratory  
Please call: 737-4681  
e-mail: [hplw@ecu.edu](mailto:hplw@ecu.edu)  
or visit: <http://performance.hpl.ecu.edu/research>

**22 Thu**

**Softball**  
vs. UNC Greensboro  
ECU Softball Field  
3 p.m.

### Battle of the Bands

The 14th Annual Battle of the Bands will feature five local bands that are competing for the opening slot at 2007 Barefoot on the Mall. Pirate Underground 7 – 11 p.m.

**23 Fri**

**Spring Greek Step Show 2007**  
Wright Auditorium

### Women of Distinction

**Gala: Power & Pearls**  
The Ledonia Wright Cultural Center and the Committee on the Status of Women will host this inaugural event to honor women on ECU's campus who have worked to further the causes of women's empowerment, multiculturalism, equity and social justice. Keynote for the evening is Dr. Maya Angelou. Rock Springs Center 7 p.m.

**Baseball**  
vs. Memphis  
Clark-LeClair Stadium  
7 p.m.

### Just Cause - I.Know.

**Ivan King**  
Alpha Kappa Psi presents Just Cause in honor of Ivan King. Ivan battled cancer and passed away at the beginning of the year. Tickets are \$5 and all proceeds will be donated to the American Cancer Society. Great American at 1008 Dickinson Ave 9 p.m. – 2 a.m.

**24 Sat**

**Paint Ball Tournament**  
Sponsored by National Guard Student Association

The National Guard Student Association is hosting a paintball tournament exclusively for ECU students. Entry is free, and you won't pay a penny for equipment rentals or paintballs. Plus, the winning team will leave with a \$1,000 prize, and you could win a Nintendo Wii Prize Package. (You can register for the Nintendo Wii without participating in tournament.) Create your own team of up to 10 players and go head-to-head against other students. You can register or find more information at [NCNGRecruiter.com/paintball.html](http://NCNGRecruiter.com/paintball.html) Hematoma Paintball, 607 Haw Branch Rd, Chocowinity 10 a.m. – 4 p.m.

**Baseball**  
Vs. Memphis  
Clark-LeClair Stadium

**25 Sun**

**Baseball**  
vs. Memphis  
Clark-LeClair Stadium  
11 a.m.

### Men's Tennis

College of Charleston  
ECU Tennis Complex  
12 p.m.

### National Broadcasting Society presents Meet and Greet Social.

Guest speakers will be present and they include Marvin Daugherty, Chief meteorologist from WITN-7, Skip Waters, Chief meteorologist from WCTI-12, Audrey Washington, anchor/reporter from WITN-7, Rob Holliday, reporter from WCTI-12 and Carissa Etters, executive producer from WNCT-9. Mendenhall Social Room 7 – 9 p.m.

**26 Mon**

**Service North Carolina Vounteer Hour Competition**  
ECU came in second last year to N.C. State. Wright Place 11 a.m. – 4 p.m.

### SGA Elections Debate

Meet the candidates who are running for Student Body President, Vice-President, Treasurer and Secretary. After the debate, the candidates will be available for questions. Mendenhall Student Center Social Room 7 – 9 p.m.

### 70s Rock: The Good, The Bad and The Ugly

An exciting multi-media trip through the 70s with Barry Drake, one of Rock Music's foremost historians. We will celebrate, examine and put into perspective 10 of the most confusing and misunderstood years in our musical history. Mendenhall Multi-Purpose Room 8 – 10 p.m.

**27 Tue**

### SGA ELECTIONS

To learn more about the candidates, visit the SGA Web site at [ecu.edu/sga](http://ecu.edu/sga). A polling site will be located in Wright Plaza. You may vote from any computer by logging onto On-estop 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.

### Women's Resource Fair

The Women's Resource Fair will center on the needs and well being of women. Various local organizations and businesses will share information and enlighten women on the services they provide. These groups include health care-providers, retailers and various other businesses that offer an array of services. Ledonia Wright Cultural Center Front Yard 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.

### Golf Registration

Singles, doubles and mixed doubles Student Recreation Center, room 207 10 a.m. – 6 p.m.

### Roots of Creation

Student Union Popular Entertainment presents a night of reggae music with the band Roots of Creation Mendenhall Brickyard 7 – 11 p.m.

**28 Wed**

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### Centennial Open House

The Student Rec Center is celebrating their 10-Year Anniversary with the grand opening of the Wellness Center, a "Food Fight for your Health" and a Membership Appreciation Luncheon. Free, all-day event.

### The Challenge of Building the National Museum of African American History and Culture

In the Brody Medical Sciences Building auditorium, there will be a lecture on the challenge of building a national museum of African-American history and culture. Free event, 1:30 p.m.

### Baseball game

vs. UNC Wilmington  
Clark-LeClair Stadium  
7 p.m.

## Database created for student organizations to merge



Photo by Zach Sikkin

Ashley Glover and James Wagner play key roles in the creation of the ECU Collaboration Station.

### Collaboration Station promotes unity

KIMBERLY BELLAMY  
SENIOR WRITER

A new database program, the Collaboration Station, is in the process of being created and it will have the capability to search similarities between university organizations.

"It's going to promote teamwork and unity for organizations on campus," said Ashley Glover, general manager of the Collaboration Station.

The database will provide interactive calendars, mission statements, club officers, contact information, service partners and Web site addresses for the campus and the national organization, according to James Wagner, director of academic and student affairs for SGA executive cabinet.

Students will also be able to type in a keyword or phrase such as "community service" and the database will provide you with all the organizations that have the phrase listed in the mission state-

ment, purpose or another category.

"Most organizations have similar purposes and want to do some type of philanthropic work for the community but sometimes it doesn't get done because of lack of manpower and the Collaboration Station will counter act this," Glover said.

Maggie Kettler, IT consultant, has assisted Wagner and Glover with this project by suggesting the type of software they should use and by helping them enter the information for each organization into the database.

Originally, the software options that Wagner and Glover were considering were Microsoft Access and Microsoft Excel.

After meeting with Kettler and seeing how easy the program would be for students to use, they decided to use Microsoft SharePoint.

"It is Web-based software. I showed it to them [Wagner and Glover] and they liked the features that it had to offer," said Kettler.

Students can access information on or off campus, using SharePoint software. The only software needed is Microsoft Office and

an Internet browser, according to Kettler.

"This service would replace a lot of the spreadsheets, word documents, and e-mail attachments that people use to communicate with one another," Kettler said.

"SharePoint is on the ECU network so any student with an ECU username and password can log on," said Wagner.

ITCS has found value in SharePoint and has purchased a license so that external collaborators outside the university can participate in the sharing information and ideas, according to Kettler.

"There will be limits on who will be able to view the information, that will be decided on by the administrators of the station here," Kettler said.

The decision for the limitation of viewers is similar to the privacy setting on Myspace where one can select who is allowed to view their page, said Kettler.

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## LATE BUS continued from A1

draw attention to themselves should understand that officers may speak with them. We desire the ride to downtown and back home to be safe and enjoyable and request everyone to help make it happen," Perry said.

ECU and Greenville police will split the routes, with the Greenville city officers covering those such as the Exchange and North Campus Crossing that are currently out of ECU's jurisdiction.

"The officers onboard are in a community policing role," said Wood Davidson, general manager of the student transit authority. "They understand that the purpose of the late night bus service is to provide a safe ride home for intoxicated students regardless of age. They are not there to intimidate but rather to maintain a safe environment for passengers and the bus operators."

Davidson said that the problems have "become common to all the Pirate Express routes on a regular basis."

Sheerer hopes that the measure is temporary but that officers will be in place until the situation changes.

"We are disappointed. We run these late night buses so students don't have to drive after they've been at the bars. And then to have to deal with this kind of unruly behavior is frustrating to say the least," Sheerer said.

Sheerer said that though there have been similar problems on the buses previously, "it seems worse than normal."

Officers will stand at the front of buses and check IDs as students enter, not for age, but to ensure that they are students.

OneCards will be sufficient and all loading will occur at the front of the buses.

"It would make us happy to never issue a citation, but we are being paid to ensure the trip is safe and laws are obeyed," Perry said.

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**between 11am-4pm near Wright Place.**



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Join us for the Service NC Kickoff and Blood Drive March 26 between 11am-4pm at Wright Place.

## PRIVACY continued from A1

for me to be a student here, then they should have the technology to keep my information safe," said freshman Alison Beach.

The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1947 protects students' education information, which includes any information that a student provides to the university concerning their education process or any record from which a student can

be identified.

FERPA guarantees a student the rights to review their education records, the right to seek and amend their educational records and the right to limit the disclosure of their educational records.

"The situation makes me question the capability of ECU's administrations and their ability to handle the large responsibilities placed upon them. They should

have a multi-step, fail safe system when it comes to protecting the personal information of their students," said sophomore Josh Vick.

ECU has created a helpful Web site, [ecu.edu/incident](http://ecu.edu/incident), and a telephone hotline, 877-328-6660, to answer questions about the privacy breach incident.

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## BUCCANEER continued from A1

nity] can have input on how they want to see their yearbook during the Centennial year."

Nine covers were originally designed, but later narrowed down to the three shown on Onestop.

"The three covers were selected after [the nine] were reviewed by the *Buccaneer* student staff, faculty and administration," said Stephanie Whitlock Dicken, assistant director of Student Media.

"The *Buccaneer* staff was aware of the design process and is on board... Dr. Sheerer [Vice Chancellor for Student Life] and Mr. King [Assistant Vice Chancellor for Student Experiences] had input as well," added Hill.

Sarah Umstead, Student Media coordinator and yearbook adviser, said the *Buccaneer* is especially exciting this year because of the Centennial.

"As the university celebrates 100 years of service and leadership, the *Buccaneer* is here to capture the exciting year and celebrations, as well as look back into the distinguished past," said Umstead. "The content of the *Buccaneer* will begin with a special Centennial section... [and include] historical information throughout the book, to blend past and present."

Although editorial content and direction for the yearbook

is furnished by the *Buccaneer* student staff, the Student Media graphic design staff was used for creating the look of the book so the two groups were able to use their strengths to create better content and overall design.

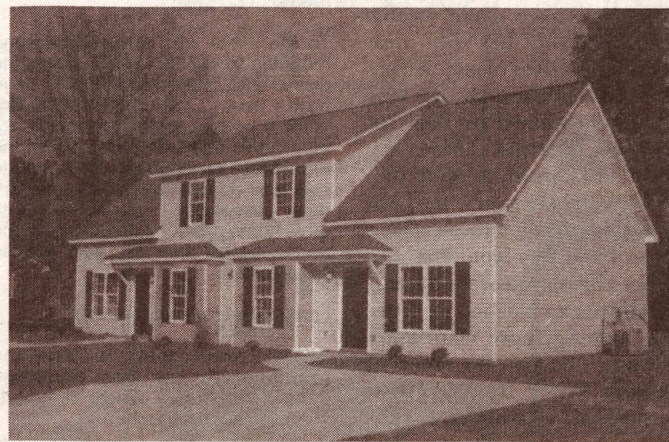
Each yearbook costs \$49.95, which includes shipping and handling. The yearbook is delivered in the fall, and those who purchase the *Buccaneer* can expect it to be mailed home in mid-September.

Results of the poll will be published in the April 20 issue of the *East Carolinian*.

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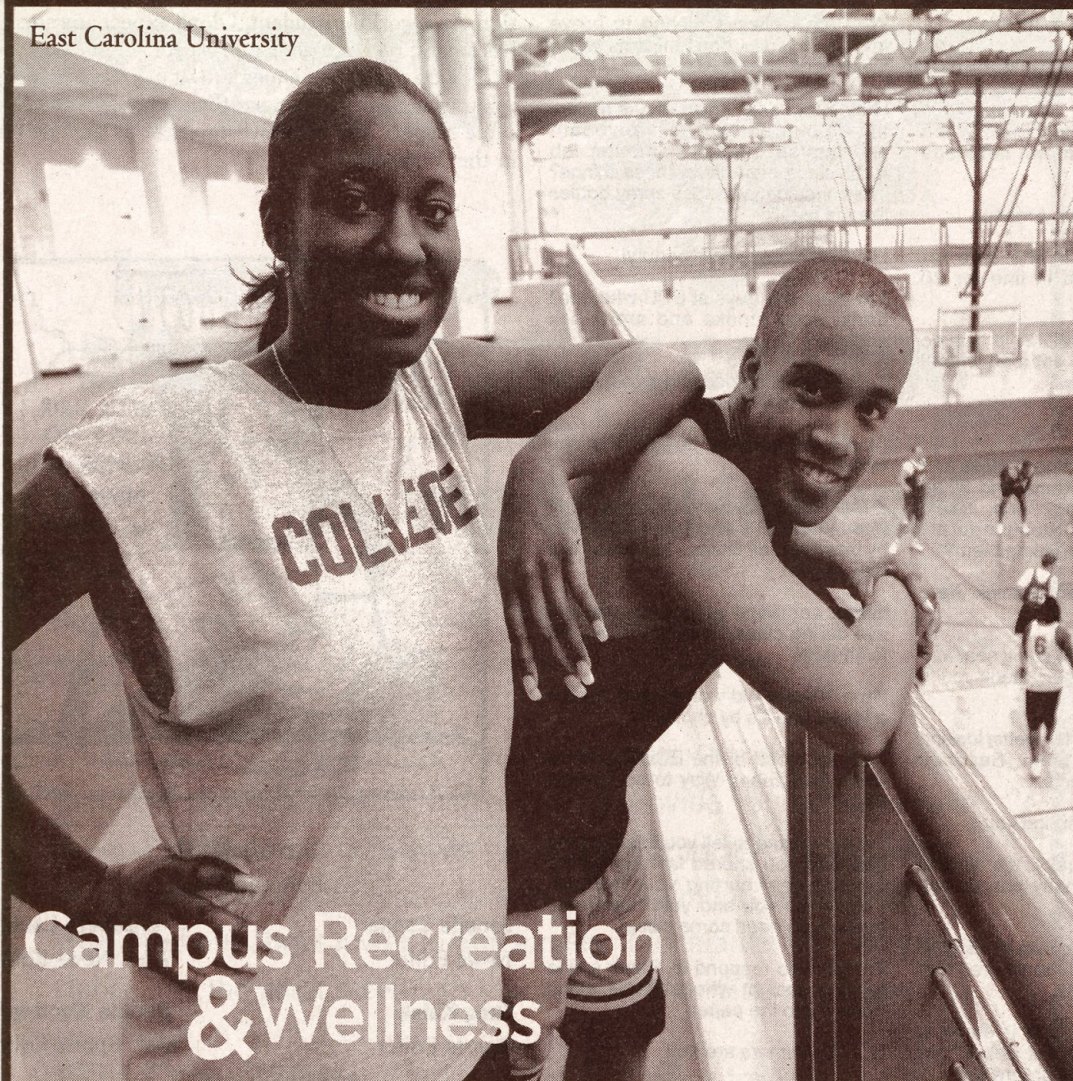
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March 24	<b>Climbing Day Trip to Pilot Mountain</b> \$40 SRC member/ \$50 SRC non-member Register by March 20	March 28	<b>SRC Open House</b> Various events throughout the day.
March 24	<b>Family Fun Day</b> 10:00 am-2:00 pm, SRC Sports Forum	March 31-April 1	<b>Caving in Virginia &amp; West Virginia</b> \$85 SRC member/ \$95 SRC non-member Register by March 28
March 25	<b>Canoe &amp; Kayak at Lake Mattamuskeet</b> \$35 SRC member/ \$45 SRC non-member Register by March 21	March 31-April 1	<b>Sea Kayak at Cape Lookout</b> \$70 SRC member/ \$85 SRC non-member Register by March 28
March 26-April 23	<b>Introduction to Ballroom Dancing</b> M 7:00-8:00 pm, SRC 239 \$25 SRC member/ \$40 SRC non-member	April 1	<b>Whitewater Canoe &amp; Kayak at Eno River</b> \$40 SRC member/ \$50 SRC non-member Register by March 28
March 27	<b>Adapted Recreation Meeting</b> 8:00-9:00 pm, SRC 238	April 3	<b>Wheelchair Basketball</b> 8:00-9:00 pm, SRC Sports Forum
March 27	<b>Golf Registration</b> 10:00 am-6:00 pm, SRC 207	April 4	<b>FREE Body Fat</b> 4:00-6:00 pm, SRC 211

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## Planning to save your soul?

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YAZID FINN  
OPINION WRITER

Just when everything seems to be going great in the world for religions, someone comes along to stir up trouble. Shifting through my favorite Internet news sources, I stumbled across something that really raised an eyebrow and surprised me that I had not heard of it before.

The subject of my sudden perked interest—bottled Holy Water. Apparently, while the water does not ward off Vampires or any other fiends of the undead, drinking it will apparently “cure what ails you.” Simply drinking the water will cleanse sins, wash away remorse and cure that parched your throat on a warm day. Blessed by everyone from a Priest to a Rabbi (no joke), you begin to wonder why in God’s name you would drink anything else!

Maybe it’s the fact they have yet to invent Holy Lemonade. Even when you could not see yourself paying for bottled Holy Water, let alone drinking it, why are other people? When a drink makes the claim that it can wash away your sins as well as your thirst, everyone should take a step back to examine that premise.

To begin with, any devout religious individual takes the idea of sinning seriously. With heaven and hell in mind during their daily lives, drinking a bottle of water to counter greed or sexual promiscuity seems like a small price to pay. But wait until you see the guarantee some retailers are proudly claiming to all you sinners out there. Drinking their water carries the guarantee of not going to hell. That’s right, friends—chugging down one of these bad boys after a night on the town will right all that you have made wrong.

That is where my problem first lies with these claims. For Christians, the Bible gives plenty of commentary on holy water, but never mentions drinking it. Examples of water being mentioned are Baptism, which in some denominations, the ritual is necessary. But in no denomination that I can think of do they believe that drinking Holy Water is a guaranteed way to salvation. All denominations would tell you a belief in Jesus Christ as the Lord and way would be your only ticket into heaven, not a drink you order by mail.

Secondly, these retailers expand out for business to other religions, naming those who follow Judaism, Islam and others that can be saved by drinking their miracle Holy Water. But why? Jews do not even believe in a hell, so buying a more expensive water for the purpose of steering clear of a place they do not believe in makes no sense. Muslims look only to God for salvation. If they were to consider that a bottle of water could help them into heaven, Muslims would be committing a larger sin than they were trying to avoid.

Faith is very personal and should be held to a one on one relationship with God. Faith in God is what any religious follower should be worried about, not faith in a bottle of water blessed by someone who supposedly has faith in God.

Unless they come out with blessed Naked Fruit drinks... how could anyone turn those down?

## Hypocrisy at home

U.S. to begin development of first new hydrogen bomb in two decades

JUSTIN SUMMERS  
OPINION WRITER

News came out last Friday in the *LA Times* that the U.S. Energy Department has announced plans to build a new hydrogen bomb, and intends to revamp our cold-war era nuclear arsenal. This is the latest addition to the long list of hypocritical actions initiated by Bush in his dreadful reign as Commander and Chief.

The term hypocrite as defined by the Webster’s dictionary as “a person who acts in contradiction to his or her stated beliefs or feeling.” If we use this framework, would it be irrational to say that Bush is a hypocrite?

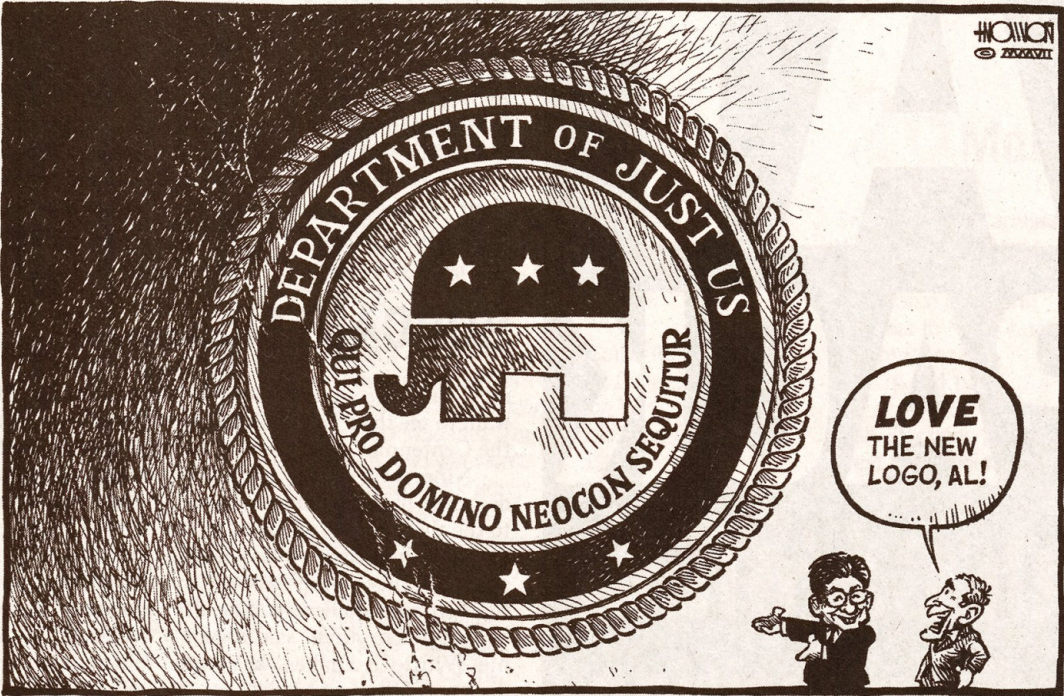
Last time I checked we invaded Iraq to find the very same weapons we have now publicly admitted intentions to build more of. The latest enemy of the state is Iran, because of their intent to enrich uranium and our distrust of their intentions for its use. We recently came to an accord with North Korea after two years of hostility because of their nuclear intentions. We have publicly demonized all of these enemies in the media for their intent to build weapons of mass destruction, and now we are building more doomsday devices to add to our arsenal of over 6,000?

What is this saying to the world? In my opinion it is just another attempt by the Bush administration to flex their muscle and tell the world “I do what I want!” It is entirely unnecessary to add to our already un-holy defense budget, especially for more nuclear weapons, regardless of the threat of other nuclear powers in the world. Currently we have thousands of nuclear weapons left over from the cold war and they are still as effective and active as they were 30 years ago.

If we go ahead with these plans, not only are we putting the world at even more risk for accidental and non-accidental nuclear war, we would be initiating a new arms race for those countries that don’t have nuclear arms yet. If Iran and North Korea were not serious of their intentions to build nuclear technology, this new show of disregard for international peace will surely offer justification for them to go ahead and pursue their nuclear ambitions.

More than increasing the threat of nuclear war, the Bush administration is committing themselves to yet another immoral action in international politics. A nuclear weapon has never been used in warfare and the devastation that would result is truly unimaginable. I’m not saying that Bush intends to commit our country to nuclear war, but anything is possible when we have a country run by men who have authorized the indiscriminate bombing of several countries since 9/11.

Once again, the actions of the Bush administration have left me concerned for the future. Will we continue to pursue our own pernicious and aggressive motives of world domination, or will we commit ourselves to a peaceful future for our children?



## PIRATE RANTS

The *East Carolinian* does not endorse statements made in Pirate Rants. Questions regarding Rants can be directed to Rachel King, Opinion Page Editor, at [opinion@theeastcarolinian.com](mailto:opinion@theeastcarolinian.com). Log onto [theeastcarolinian.com](http://theeastcarolinian.com) to submit a Rant of your own.

I've lost my best friend to World of Warcraft, and now I fear I will never get her back. Going home for Spring Break made me realize how very much I miss all of my friends back home.

I'm a regular at a bar downtown and I just love it when I go up to the bar and that hot bartender has my drink ready.

To the idiots who are b\*\*\*\*ing and moaning about the police riding the drunk bus, and threatening to drive home drunk, just how stupid are you? If people were not acting like they didn't have home training on the drunk bus, the cops wouldn't need to ride it to ensure the safety of every other passenger! If you do decide to drive home drunk, I hope they put you under the jail and take your license away forever.

I date a Hooters calendar girl.

ECU is soon going to have the reputation for the most underage DUIs in the country. We go from party school to felon school.

That was such a dumb idea to put police officers on the late night buses. Maybe you could have addressed the problems. Now a ton of my friends are going to be drunk driving instead. Great job!

I am sick of hearing the hockey team complain about never getting any credit. Y'all are just a club sport. I don't hear the other club teams whining about 15 minutes of fame.

I think that the only word that my friend knows is "skeeeet."

What is the first thing you thing of when you see a woman with large boobs... motorboat!

I learned in my health class that one in four men will have a sexual experience with another male at some point in their life. Wow, guess we have a lot of guys out there who have been lying.

OK, ECU, I love you, but it's time to grow up. You came here for a degree, not a spot in the AA. Yes, there are going to be cops on the drunk bus now. This is your cue to pick up the phone, and call a friend who might be willing to drive sober for a night. Even better, try sobriety for kicks and giggles. As for your grades, go to class! Write notes! Crack open that book you spent \$150 on! Even Jack Sparrow had a goal in life other than getting drunk!

What is the point of buying designer brand sunglasses, clothing or purses that are fake? How sad to have such a low self-esteem and such an extreme need to be accepted.

I am mad at how when people play drinking games, they never drink the number of sips or seconds that they are supposed to.

People who don't wear shower shoes in dorm showers are gross.

Quit bumming cigarettes from me when you're downtown just because you "only smoke when you drink." I "only eat when I'm hungry" but I don't see you stocking my fridge. Stop Shop is there for a reason. If you know you are going to be drinking, do yourself a favor and stop and get you a pack before you go out.

Sometimes I just want to put up a poster of all the things they don't tell these kids touring our campus!

I saw you put your cheat card under your bubble sheet! How do you live with yourself?

You people are so stupid. Do some research before forming opinions. You sound ignorant otherwise.

I'm loving this weather.

No, no, you were not born with any accent. That's not a biological trait. That's the difference between what we like to call "Nature v. Nurture."

I can't believe the topic of bus drivers using cell phones can make "Good Morning America" but not the Pirate Rants. I guess the safety of college students riding the bus isn't as important as the number of cats in Greenville.

I look at myself in every bus window because I look good. I mean really good.

My girlfriend makes fun of me for the way I eat food. I feel the love.

Don't roll your eyes at me.

Trail mix is addictive.

No you're not a lesbian for kissing another girl and liking it. It takes

more than that. A lot of straight girls kiss girls and like it and some do it simply because they're drunk or want attention.

There are a lot of cats in Greenville because a lot of people abandoned their pets when they move.

Does anyone else think Banner is making the registration process more difficult?

I think boys double in hotness when they're really nice and lose lots of hotness points when they're jerks.

I got my first hamster ever less than two months ago and am already over her. She gets very little attention anymore and I kinda feel bad for her.

Liver, I'm sorry for putting you through so much. Thanks for telling my brain to black out because I don't remember what happened on St. Patrick's Day!

Crocs are very comfortable. Crocs are also ugly as sin.

I really wish that guys would just step up and start pursuing girls instead of vice-versa. I really think that would fix a lot of issues.

I want a God-centered relationship, you want a God-centered relationship, we get along incredibly well, we enjoy the crap out of each other's company... so what's the problem?

The third floor in the library is quiet, so the next time you shush me when I'm asking a question, go to that floor.

You aren't cool enough to have a Rant.

It makes me uncomfortable when people speak a different language around me...

Liberals are destroying America.

You stood in line at the club for 20 minutes; I stood in line for 20 seconds.

If we are not in a relationship, you do not have the write to get mad when I kiss another guy.

I burned your cat.

Is it sad that I was sitting in class and reading the Pirate Rants and when I went to read the next one, it said I should be paying attention to my professor instead of reading them?

Why do so many people think there are 51 states?

To the person who sits in my seat and leaves TEC in Flanagan, thank you! It makes my day!

The hockey team can't be better looking than the baseball team. Baseball players wear tight pants...

I wonder if it's me ignoring you...

Casual sex is not sexy. It's sleazy, and that's why so many people end up with STDs.

So if I'm not allowed to take my dog off the leash, please tell me where I can take him to play fetch?

Does anyone else find it comical that Jason from "Laguna Beach" got arrested in downtown Greenville?!

Yea pranks are fun, if your roommate can take a joke, and doesn't call the cops.

I'm Anna Nicole's baby's daddy.

Boy, what I would not give for some pink shoelaces. Wait! I have them on my shoes.

Does anyone else think we have one of the prettiest campuses in North Carolina?

Sheetz completes me.

Where have all the nice girls gone?

I wish people would stop comparing the difficulty in one another's major. We are all going to school to be something and someone—and that is what counts the most.

How come so many people look at me like I'm crazy when I walk around campus with a smile on my face?

Is writing half of your paper and then basically copying and pasting the last half considered plagiarism?

Quit staring at me while I eat my sweet and salty Chex Mix.

I hope my boyfriend knows we are breaking up when he moves...

I know you say people who are

negative bring you down... well the only thing that makes me negative is you.

Motivated people annoy me...

I am sitting in a cubicle at the library right now trying to study and the guy in front of me is snoring so loudly I keep losing my concentration!

I'm so glad our teacher finally called you out. Our entire class is tired of you and the fact that you have a story for everything the teacher says.

My mom seriously thinks I'm an alcoholic, why can't she just understand I'm in college?

Even though I laugh when you call me dumb, it really crushes my feelings.

We both know your boyfriend wants me, please don't let this ruin our friendship.

Is there really people who actually get ready on exam days? Or is it just me who rolls out of bed and rushes for a scantron?

I know you heard me talking crap about you behind your back, why won't you just say something about it?

I'm dating someone who I'm not attracted to whatsoever, how is this possible?

Every guy I date is just a stepping stone to the real thing, so why won't you hurry up and come home to me?

Why am I always having to prove myself to you? I don't think its worth it anymore.

I hate how I don't know whose fingers have been all over this keyboard and mouse. Do the computer lab technicians ever clean these things? They should have those spray bottles like the gym.

I love my brown-eyed beauty!

Are there any guys at ECU who don't drink, don't smoke and aren't sex addicts?

To the boy who is looking for a girl with morals... I'm in Aycock.

I have the greatest boyfriend in the world.

It makes my day when I am walking through campus and someone drives by blasting their cheese ball music like they're cool.

When someone gives you the evil eye during class, that means for you to shut up!

I'm a 20-year-old woman and I'm still a virgin, and it's by choice.

I am so proud of the ECU Women's Basketball Team. Way to go Pirates! Argghh!

I really wanted to tell you this morning how bad you snored last night but I couldn't bear hurting your feelings. I really like you and your fine Pirate booty, but I need some sleep!

People who respond to Rants online are the sad lot whose Rants didn't make it into the paper.

ECU Swimmers are hot!

Dear Guy Friend, I am sorry that I can't come up to you and say hey when we're in the same place. It's because you're with your girlfriend and I hardly know her and honestly, it's weird.

I miss the hip hop of the 1990s. Thank God for YouTube so I can relive those songs again.

Every time my hot oceanography teacher mentions his wife and kids in class I die a little bit inside.

Keanu Reeves is in my history class... and yes, he's pretty good looking.

I like you boy. And I'm not giving up without a fight. Even if you can't tell I'm fighting. That's the "game" right?

You used me. I don't care how much you deny it, because if you cared you wouldn't be able to go so long without talking to me. I want to kick myself for how I used to act when it came to you. Screw you. I'm so gone.

Thank you Healthy Pirates for handing out free water before I went and paid \$1.25 for one. You made my day.

I keep telling myself that I can't fall for you, but the truth is that I already have and I'm just too scared to tell you.

I don't get you. You say that you are so in love with your boyfriend, yet you still seem to want mine.

## RANT OF THE DAY

I could have saved a rain forest... if you didn't make me print out all this paper for this stupid project.

## Don't tell me I don't live in the real world

I work for my education

JENELLE CONNER  
NEWS EDITOR

While sitting in class, time after time, I listen to professors tell me how they are preparing me for the “real world,” as if I have been living a dream all of my life.

I wake up and function in society, just like every other living person; therefore I am justified in saying that I live in the real world.

As college students, I guess some professors believe we are still living in a scene from *Animal House* where we all drink alcohol to the point of passing out and have multiple sexual partners.

On the other hand, maybe some are envisioning a scene from *Van Wilder*, where we all live off our parents’ money and stay in college for seven years because we are afraid to graduate and get a job in the “real world.”

For some college students, this may be true, but not for all.

If by some random chance some of my professors mean to imply that they were preparing me for the professional world, look around the classroom; many students have to work while attending college just to pay for the rising costs of tuition.

According to an article from the Review of Educational Research, “College student employment has been increasing steadily for at least four decades. At present, approximately 80 percent of all college students are employed while completing their undergraduate education. Even among students under the age of 24 at four-year colleges, more than 50 percent are employed during the school year.”

Why then do students repeatedly hear we are being prepared for a world that we are already a part of?

I am not the only student who pays all of my bills without any support from my parents, many students do not have anything handed to them. This is the real world.

On top of a work schedule, many students have to deal with the stress of homework deadlines and the coordination of group projects in their spare time.

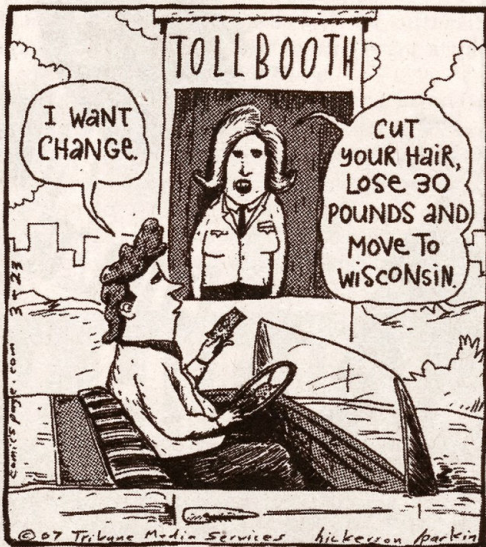
I have heard professors comment that for every hour spent in the classroom, a “good” college student is supposed to spend two to three hours studying outside of class.

So, if a student is registered as full-time, they are taking 12 hours or more, and in addition to the 12 hours in the classroom, a student is supposed to study 24 – 36 hours.

Essentially, just by completing our studies, we as college students are looking at a full-time job before tacking on the additional hours spent at the money-making places of employment.

Students have the same responsibilities as everyone else in this world and we are paying for an education. As a working student, I don't expect any special treatment, but I do demand respect.

If I am competent enough to sit in a classroom and acknowledge my professors, then I should receive the same respect and acknowledgement as anyone else in the “real world.”



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## National Guard comes to campus

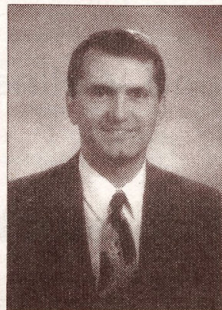


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Junior Shakiy Suggs takes aim at a target at the National Guard booth. Suggs hit almost 90 targets in a row at the station set up in front of Mendenhall Student Center on Wednesday. Target shooting, as well as a Nintendo Wii and Xbox were available for amusement.

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## Officers and representatives announce upcoming events

### SGA congress notes

KIMBERLY BELLAMY  
 SENIOR WRITER

- Congress approved the last set of emergency funding for registered organizations for spring 2007 in the congress meeting on March 19, according to Michaelina Antahades, SGA treasurer.
- Antahades announced that the last day organizations can spend emergency or annual funding is April 13.
- Organizations that have already registered with the Student Organization Center must attend the Student Leader Workshop on March 31 according to Antahades. (Only one representative from each organization has to attend).
- Sebastian also mentioned a Support the Troops and safety initiative that he will be working on as apart of his platform for the

remainder of the semester.

• A representative from Alpha Kappa Psi announced an event titled, "I. Know.Ivan.King." The event will occur at Great American on Dickinson Avenue from 9 – 12 p.m. All proceeds will go towards cancer research.

• Jon Massachi, speaker of the congress, announced that Service NC will be occurring from March 24 – 31. He encouraged organizations to contact him at [sgaspeaker@ecu.edu](mailto:sgaspeaker@ecu.edu) if they would like to volunteer.

• Regina Twine reminded congress members about diversity week that will be going on from March 19 – 25.

• Matt Wagoner, chair of the elections committee, announced that campaigning for candidates began on March 19.

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## ACTION continued from A1

At SAT's first meeting, held March 6, numerous presidents and members of various ECU organizations attended not only to learn about the crisis, but to also brainstorm ways to get more people involved and to raise money for this cause.

Some of the ideas presented were to ask teachers to give their students extra credit if they became actively involved with this project, to hold a viewing of the film *Hotel Rwanda* in Hendrix Theatre on campus and send all the ticket proceeds to the Save Darfur Coalition.

Another idea is to utilize any free speech zone on campus to verbally tell passers-by about what is happening in Sudan and how they can take a stance. SAT is looking for volunteers who are interested in joining to show up at their next bi-monthly meeting this Thursday at 6:30 p.m. in Bate 1023. If you'd like additional information about the organization log onto their Web site at [ecusat.com](http://ecusat.com).

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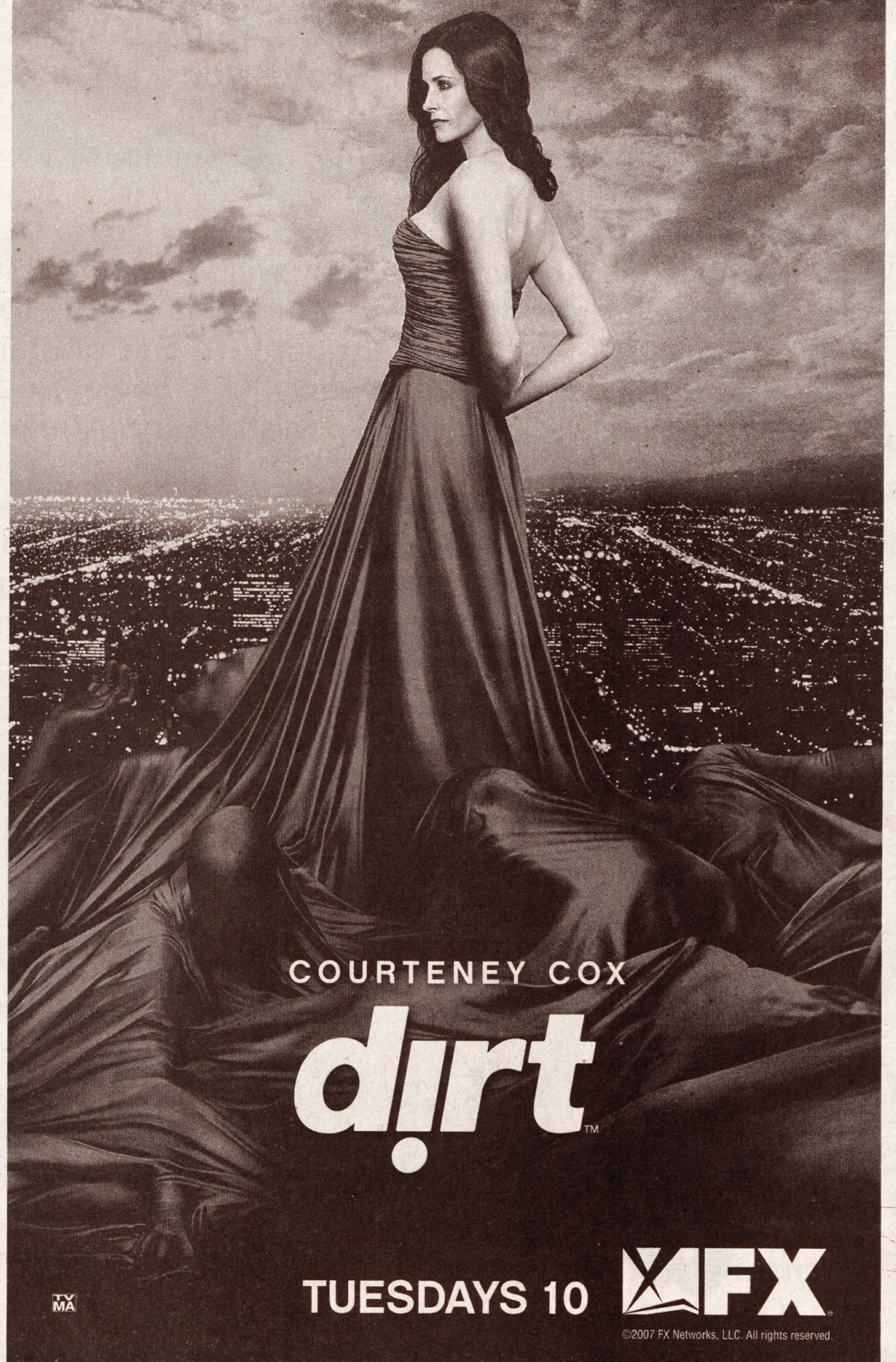
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# DIVERSITY WEEK 2007

## MARCH 19-25

### "LEADING THROUGH DIVERSITY"

#### MONDAY MARCH 19

- **Native American Craft Exhibit** Ledonia Wright Cultural Center 4:30-6pm (East Carolina Native American Organization)
- **Multicultural Reading Day: "Revealing our Culture"** Ledonia Wright Cultural Center 4:30-6pm (Emissaries)
- **One Muslim, One Christian, One Jew, A Night of Non-Political Laughter** Hendrix Theatre, 7:00pm Q & A session and reception to follow (Co-curricular Programs/ Cultural Outreach, Muslim Student Association, Interfaith Alliance of Eastern Carolina, Intercultural Student Affairs, Office of Institutional Diversity, ECU Hillel- Jewish Student Union, Campus Ministry Association)

#### TUESDAY MARCH 20

- **Diversity Education Workshop: Living With Diversity & Embracing Change, Colors in Diversity** Mendenhall Student Center 244 5-7pm (SGA)
- **The Body Image Project** Hendrix Theatre 7-9pm (Campus Wellness)
- **Wheelchair Basketball Game** Recreational Center 9-10pm (Campus Recreation and Wellness, SGA)

#### WEDNESDAY MARCH 21

- **Yom Hashoah Name Readings/Candlelight Vigil (Holocaust Remembrance)** Sonic Plaza (Joyner Library) 6am-3pm, (ECU Volunteer Center, ECU Hillel)
- **Step Around the World** MSC Brickyard 5-7pm (Student Union Cultural Awareness)
- **An Evening With Hal Gurnee** Hendrix Theatre 7-9pm (School of Communications, Co-curricular Programs/Cultural Outreach)

#### THURSDAY MARCH 22

- **What in the World Do You Know? Cultural Contest Jazz Band to follow** Pirate Underground 5-7pm (African Student Organization, Diversity Week Team)
- **Cultural Poetry Slam: Express Yourself** Pirate Underground 7:30-9:30pm (Black Student Union, Expressions)
- **Drag Show** MSC 244 10pm-12am (Bisexual—Gays, Lesbians, and Allies for Diversity)

#### FRIDAY MARCH 23

- **Holocaust Survivor Speaker**, Willis Building 1:30pm
- **Stomp in Harmony** Wright Auditorium 7:30-10pm (Black Student Union, Student Union Cultural Awareness)
- **The Remix: Intercultural Party** MSC Social Room 10pm-2am (Student Association for Spanish Latino Affairs, Diversity Week Team)

#### SATURDAY MARCH 24

- **Multicultural Fashion Show: Parading with the Nations** Pirate Underground 4-6pm (All Cultural Organizations)
- **"Legacy, A Night of Remembrance"** Semi-Formal Event Murphy Center 8-11pm (Intercultural Student Council)

#### SUNDAY MARCH 25

- **A Movie: *Memoirs of a Geisha*** Hendrix 3pm

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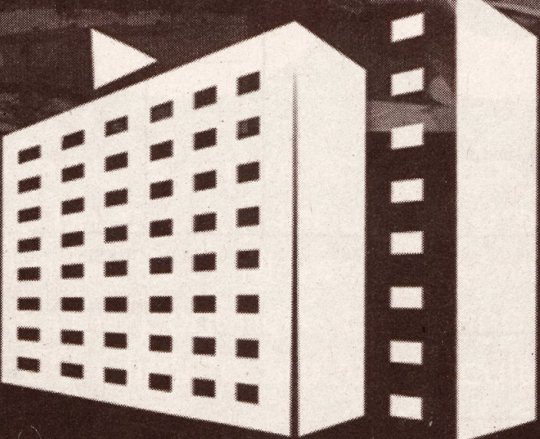




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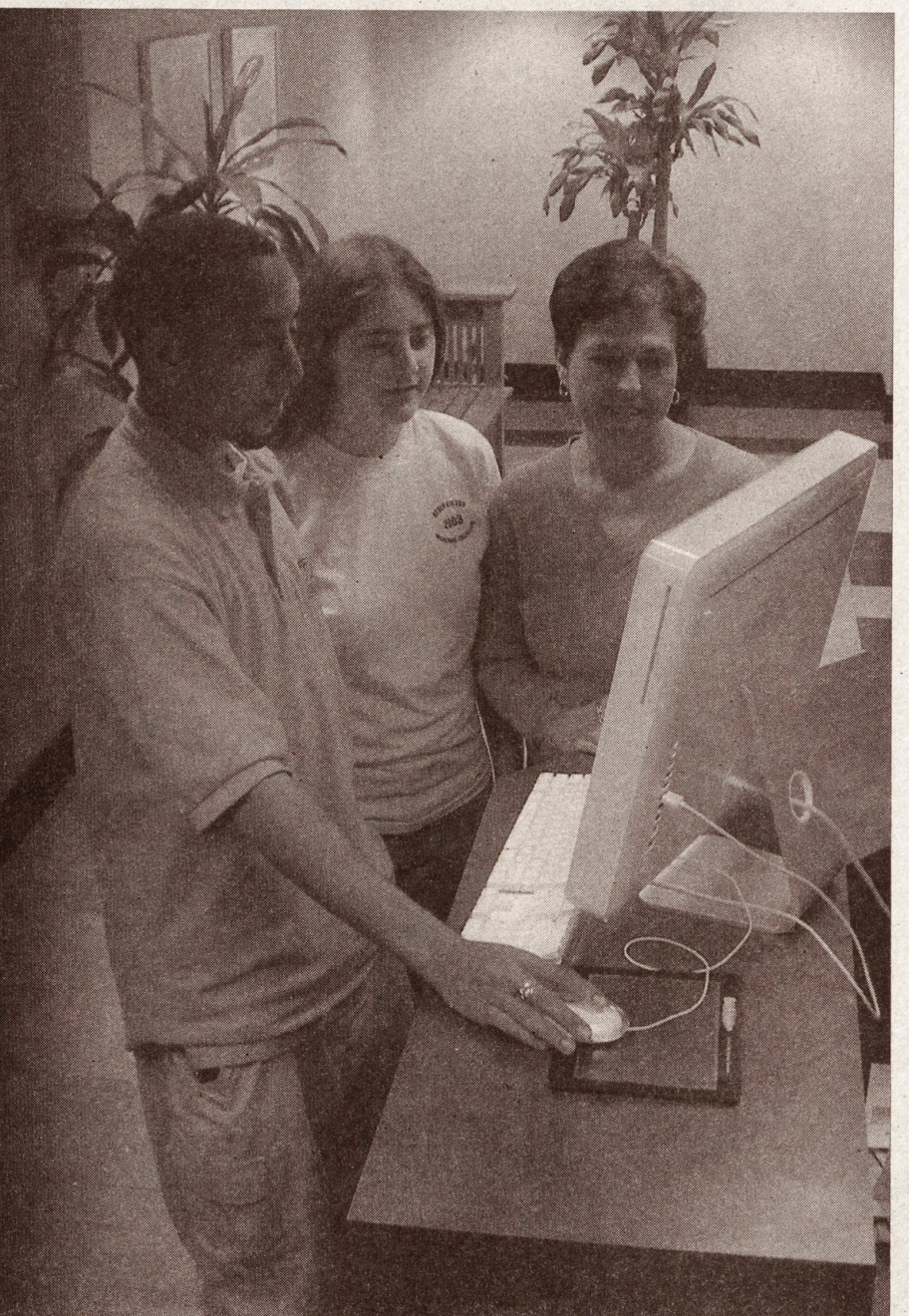
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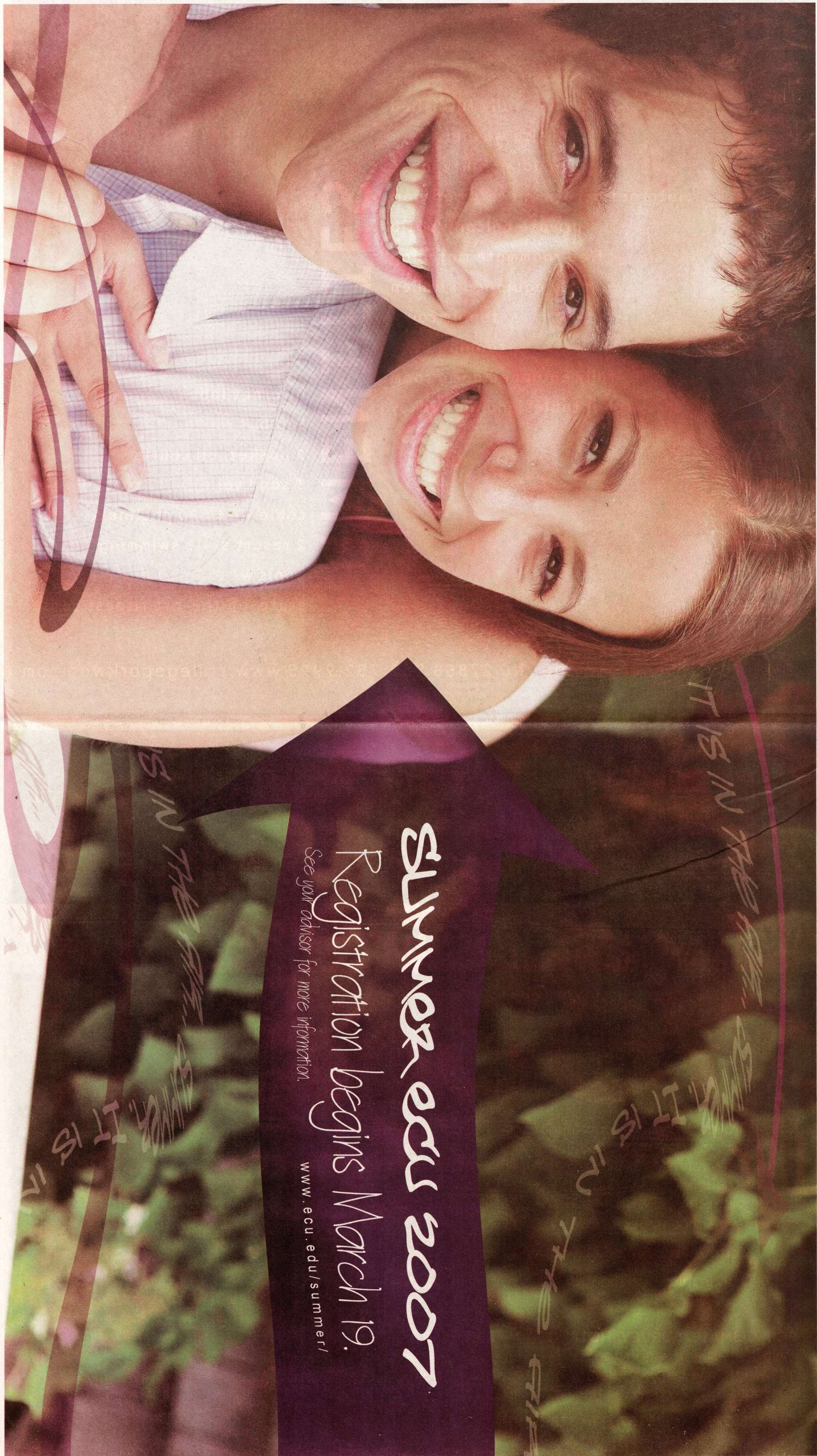
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## Horoscopes:

**Aries**  
Your friends are full of ideas, some of which are better than others. The one where you pay for everything is based upon a flawed premise.

**Taurus**  
The test is tough, but you can ace it. You're tougher and you're charming. You'll almost make it look easy. But you will have to make concessions.

**Gemini**  
This is the hard part of the job. You feel like you're slogging through mud. Actually, what you're doing is very important. Don't give up.

**Cancer**  
A social engagement takes up a lot more time than anticipated. It's fun to chat, but time is valuable. Don't waste it; you can't replace it.

**Leo**  
Follow through on the orders you've been given. There are many benefits to be received for your loyal service. But mess it up by being confrontational now.

**Virgo**  
Your problem now is temptation. It's stronger than usual. You'd love to give in to it, and you know that could get expensive. You'd do better to prepare for a test that's coming up tomorrow.

**Libra**  
It's not a good time to gamble, or buy yourself frivolous things. If you're not sure about your self-control, stay away from the stores.

**Scorpio**  
You're very competitive, but don't fall into a trap. Don't react and do something you'll later wish you hadn't.

**Sagittarius**  
The more you get into the project, the more you realize it's not going to turn out exactly as you'd pictured. Abandon expectations to enable imagination.

**Capricorn**  
True love doesn't care about how much you have, except maybe to help you get more. Trust the person who encourages you to save, not to go further into debt.

**Aquarius**  
Some of your favorite fantasies are being severely challenged. Your first response is anger. That won't get you anywhere. The right answer's not just a theory, it's also practical.

**Pisces**  
You're able to explain what you're doing much better, as you go along. Choose your words carefully, using as few as you can. In communication and in art, you do best as a minimalist.

## Drink Recipes:

### Mock Margarita

1/2 cup chopped fresh mint leaves, plus 4 sprigs for garnish  
1 cup bottled key lime juice (recommended: Nellie and Joe's Famous Key West Lime Juice)  
32 ounces club soda

Divide the mint evenly into an ice cube tray and pour the key lime juice evenly over top. Freeze until key lime juice is completely frozen.

Crush the key lime-mint ice cubes in a blender. Divide mixture among four large margarita glasses. Top each glass with eight ounces club soda and stir gently to combine. Garnish each with a sprig of mint and serve immediately.

### Citrus Hot Chocolate

3/4 cup milk  
3/4 cup half-and-half  
2 strips orange peel  
2 strips lemon peel  
4 ounces semisweet chocolate, very finely chopped  
Brandy, to taste  
Limoncello, to taste  
Sweetened whipped cream, for garnish

In a small saucepan, heat milk, half-and-half, orange peel and lemon peel until just simmering, simmer for about two minutes to infuse citrus flavor, being careful not to boil.  
Remove peel, add chocolate, and chocolate until melted. Add brandy and/or limoncello, to taste.

Serve in mugs with a dollop of whipped cream.

# Welcome to the broken hearts club

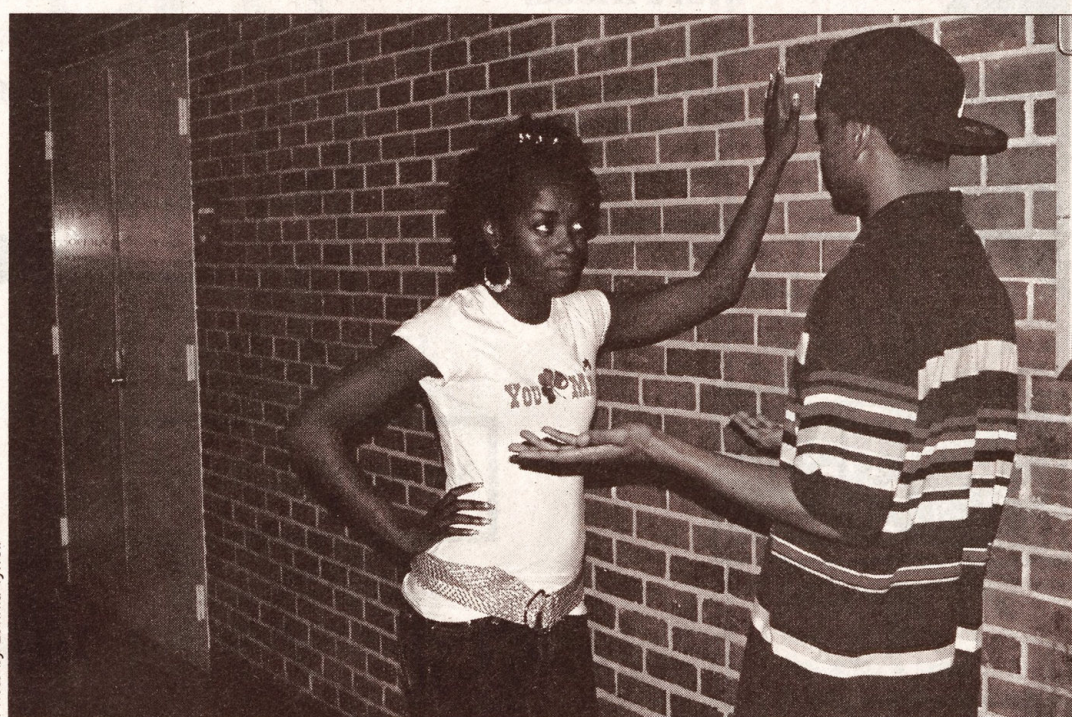


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Breaking up is always hard, but finding a private place to talk face to face is a vital way to soften the blow.

## Jump ship without drowning

Breaking up from a male perspective

YAZID FINN  
STAFF WRITER

Are relationships great or what? Everything is clear blue skies and vivid rainbows day after day, but the moment you lose that significant other, life turns into a deluge. Nevertheless, this need not be the case. There is a little known secret in the book of relationships, filed under the chapter on breaking up and I am here to share it.

While this book is public knowledge and everyone has access to it, rarely do guys actually take the time to read what is available. This book is past experience, its chapters are insights of those who have been there, done that. It is when relationships with a significant other finally reach a breaking point that both parties need to know how and when to talk things over.

If you do not feel you can improvise, then stick with what works. Location is almost as important as what a guy can say to a girl and this fact should always be kept in mind. To begin, do not think to make a scene. Breaking up is not a science and as such, never goes as expected.

Marina Bonner, a sophomore elementary education major,

knows to keep things between those involved.

"The best way to break up is definitely somewhere private. The relationship was between you and that person, not you and the world," said Bonner.

When selecting the place to call it quits, however, plan ahead. Be considerate of everyone involved or the event will leave both with a bad after taste. You do not want your ex to think of how horrible you were to them every time they go to the movies, or out to eat.

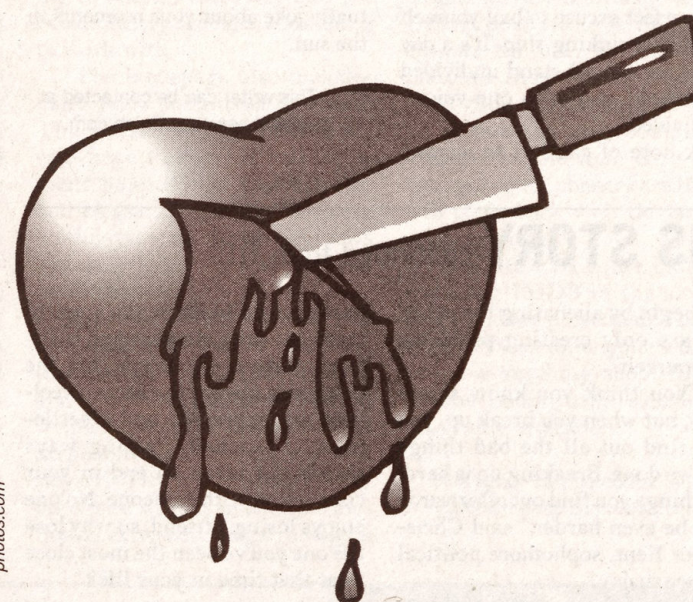
"Definitely do it in person, because face to face is key. Its kind of cliché but honesty is the best policy, so do it in person. If you're going to break someone's heart, look them in the eye and get it over with," said Vincent Woods, freshmen political science major.

Deciding the terms you would like to keep the relationship after breaking up is also crucial. Will the two of you remain friends and on speaking terms? On the other hand, will things fall to a middle school level and you erase the person from your mind? The method and execution of the break up has a direct impact on how things will remain between you and your ex.

"The way to do it depends on

the couple. If you were really close then it may be better to do it in person. If you didn't see each other, all the time then on the phone would be OK since you won't run into each other all the time. Online is never really a good idea.

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## We need to talk

The four most dreaded words in any relationship

LIZ FULTON  
SENIOR WRITER

Spring break has come and gone, leaving a trail of

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infidelities in its wake.

You may have been able to escape the temptation to make out with the boy in the hotel room next door, but others have caught the virus that visits couples every spring, a case of "we-need-to-talk-itis."

Something about that extra hour of sunshine daylight saving times brings up and school's end in sight makes even the most committed of girls restless. It could be that they only see the back of their boyfriend's head the entire month of March due to the NCAA tournament. Possibly, it is the onslaught of

jeers from their single friends, who go on manhunts nightly, that finally gets to them.

"Sometimes when a relationship gets boring, you either have the energy to make it spicy or you don't," said Ashley Peele, senior elementary education major.

Whatever the reason for breaking up, feelings will inevitably get hurt. There are different ways to cut the cord, and the tactic you pursue will be, if nothing else, a learning experience. Just remember that karma does exist in this universe, and things have a way of coming back to haunt you.

That being said, a breakup is often determined by the nature of a couple's estrangement. If things between the two of you have been going from bad to unbearable, then the only thing left to do is get out as fast as you can.

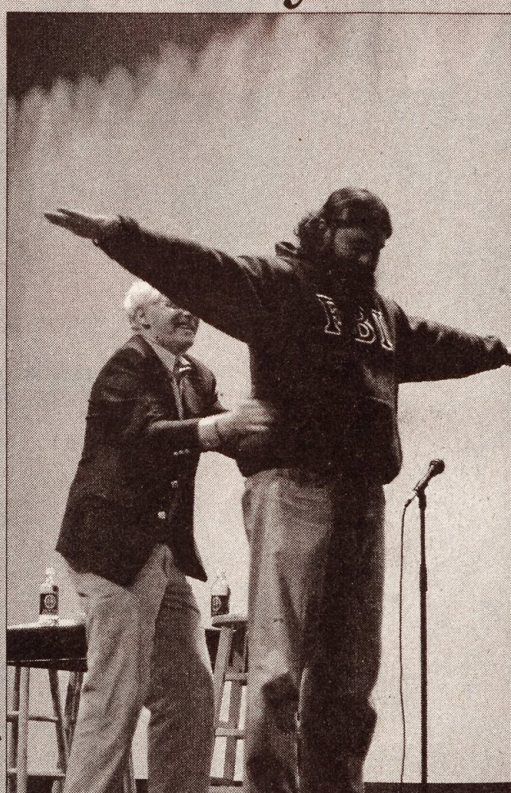
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When fresh air and the loss of shackles is your goal, then the classiest route is to be up front and honest. Do not put it off. Face this task as Harry Potter would face a round of dementors.

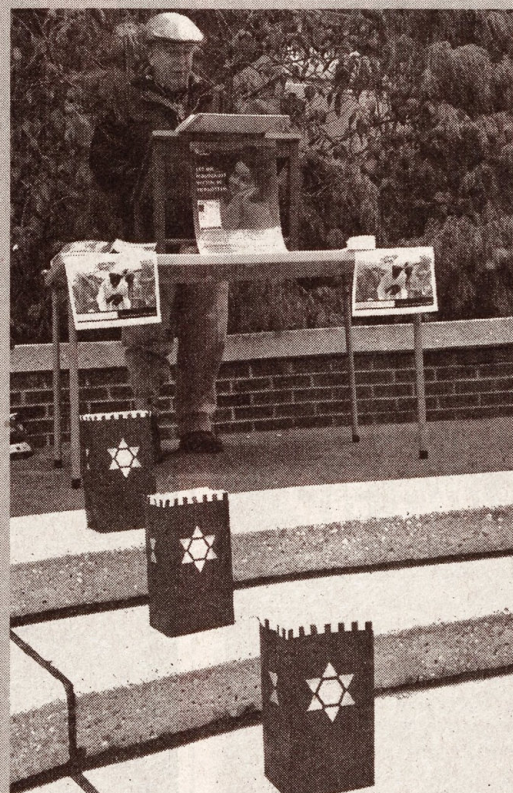
If airing out feelings and delivering a list of what went wrong to your significant other is as appealing as mustard pan-

see HER STORY page B2

## Diversity week draws students



Photos by Zach Skirni



ECU students have been celebrating Diversity Week since Monday. The theme of the week is "Leading Through Diversity," students throughout campus attended a variety of events geared towards understanding and appreciating diversity. During the "One Muslim, One Christian, One Jew, A Night of Non-Political Laughter," on Monday night, Rabbi Robert Alper and Azhar Usman goof around. Perry Ennis read out the names of Holocaust victims during the Yom Hashoah Name Readings/Candlelight Vigil yesterday.

## Arcade Fire tops Billboard charts

'Neon Bible' reaches no. 2

JOHN BOSCO  
SENIOR WRITER

For a couple of weeks now, I've been absorbing the new Arcade Fire album, *Neon Bible*. Initially, I knew I liked it.

Still, when I tell my friends that I like it better than the Arcade Fire's last album, *Funeral*, I'm met with cries of disagreement and looks of disbelief.

But don't get me wrong, *Funeral* is a great album, and I can see why people might prefer it to *Neon Bible*.

I just like the songs on the new album better.

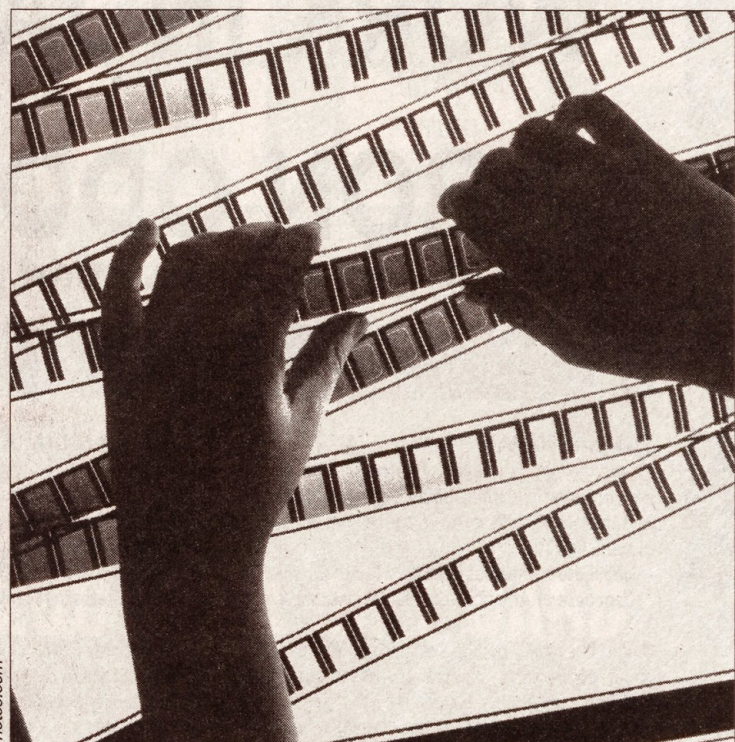
Recorded in a church near Montreal that the band had converted to a recording studio, *Neon Bible* booms with a harsh reverb, and the echoes evident on the tracks really help capture a very distinct mood.

Even on my first listen, one of the most surprising things about this album is that the tracks sound more like Bruce Springsteen tunes than they do like carbon-copies of *Funeral*.

While some might think that's a bad thing, it's not. The fact that the Arcade Fire was able to create something that is somewhat a departure from their last album is a good sign—it shows the band is more than one-sided with one masterpiece.

see NEON BIBLE page B2

## Web site offers movie tidbits



Web site of the Week: Internet Movie Database

BEN HARRIS  
STAFF WRITER

Gamers have gamespot.com, racing enthusiasts have nascar.com and movie fanatics have imdb.com, or for wordy movie fanatics, internet movie database. The site offers absolutely everything one needs to know about movies. It includes information on which movies are in production, who stars in each movie, interesting trivia on movies and actors, entertainment news, forums and so much more.

When you're watching a movie and that brain-squeezing question comes slithering up that goes with the tune of "What in the world have I seen that guy on?" followed by the subsequently inevitable hour of nauseatingly head boiling agony

that comes with trying to rifle through an already class-work convoluted mind in an attempt to figure it out, look no further than IMDB's immense database of actors and actresses.

The site includes everyone from Z-list actors such as Karen Huie to the brightest stars of today such as Reese Witherspoon or Leo Dicaprio. Just simply find the movie you're watching, find the actor/actress on the cast list that's selflessly causing you to question your sanity, click their name, and, like water to a person trapped for weeks in the Sahara, comes every single movie and commercial that they have ever been in, thereby answering any question you may have.

Besides other works, the user can browse through any awards the actor has received, academy or otherwise, read, for the most part,

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cakes, endure their presence until Budweiser's National Breakup Day June 2.

According to nationalbreak-upday.com, those rascals from Budweiser characterize the day as "the perfect excuse to bail yourself out of that sinking ship. It's a day where we can all stand undivided nationwide, and with one voice... get divided."

A note of caution to anyone contemplating ending their relationships; shacking up with your ex after too many cocktails is never a good idea. The key is to establish enough distance where you both can move on comfortably and eventually joke about your moments in the sun.

This writer can be contacted at pulse@theeastcarolinian.com.

## HIS STORY continued from B1

you begin by alienating the other, you are only creating problems for yourself.

"You think you know somebody, but when you break up, you may find out all the bad things they've done. Breaking up is hard, but things you find out afterwards may be even harder," said Christopher Kent, sophomore political science major.

Love can be a great thing, especially when it works for everyone involved. However, when things do not go as planned, both parties need to know the steps to calling it quits. Breaking up is different with every couple, but the process is always the same—feelings are expressed and a settlement is reached. Parting ways should not mean an end in your connection with someone. No one enjoys losing a friend, so why lose the one you've been the most close to at that time in your life?

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## NEON BIBLE continued from B1

It's not that the band has ditched anything from their sound, but the two albums play a lot differently. In some ways, *Neon Bible* seems less preachy. Listening to "Keep the Car Running" and "Antichrist Television Blues," it really is hard to believe that these aren't just Springsteen covers.

The lyrics on this album really are reminiscent of *Born To Run*—songs that connect with the working-class and those looking to escape the everyday life they live for something better. Structurally, some of the lyrics seemed a little forced for the sake of rhyme, but the strength in Win Butler's voice makes you not even realize it.

Musically, they're right on target, too. An amazingly catchy rhythm section is the common thread on all of these songs, and it's maybe the most important instrument here.

Every song is held together with tight rhythms and even the subtle, distorted closing "My Body is a Cage" manages to hit hard with the drums, which start out nearly electronic but end sounding like a militant death march.

Even the albums first single—often considered by fans an albums' worst song due to its commercial accessibility—"Intervention" is a good song, and arguably the best track. One confusing thing about this album, however, is the decision to redo their own song "No Cars Go," which appeared on their self-titled EP. While the song is an improvement from the original incarnation, I don't know that I especially like the idea of such a creative, young band with a small catalog re-doing a song of theirs.

While some people may try to argue that *Neon Bible* just isn't up to par with their full-length debut, *Funeral*, don't believe them. *Neon Bible* manages to capture *Funeral*'s emotion with catchier tunes that are rhythmically tight. Even if you're not a dancer, this album will make you want to.

Somewhat surprisingly (to me, at least), *Neon Bible* debuted at number two on the U.S. Billboard charts. The album sold 92,000 copies in its first week.

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Movie pages also allow the curious to view goofs, production photos, box office numbers, production and release dates for future releases, filming locations and lists of everyone involved in production from director to best boy (the guy who keeps up electrical equipment).

IMDB greets users on its homepage with daily entertainment news updates, as well as

news strictly limited to studios for the serious cinematic connoisseur. The homepage gives the user information on casting calls so that any aspiring actors wishing to find an entryway into the film industry can have something to work with.

The homepage also includes daily polls submitted by users. The polls usually have some relevance to current entertainment happenings and are fun and pleasantly simple. Celebrity birthdays, new movie previews and daily trivia are also included on the homepage.

Despite IMDB's name and obviously movie-based existence, the site does offer different pages and interesting information on writers and music artists such as Stephen King or even the Beastie Boys. IMDB, unlike almost every other site with as much information, is extremely easy to navigate

around. The search bars stands out right in the middle of the top of the page for easy and quick research.

For the phonetically challenged there is no worry because IMDB does its best to accommodate the user by displaying matches that closely resemble what they were trying to spell. So unless the user completely demolishes the item they were trying to spell, chances are IMDB will come back with the correct search result.

No site can come close to matching IMDB in the amount of knowledge presented. The site is a must visit for anyone wishing to know anything about film or anyone wishing to kill a little time on a rainy afternoon.

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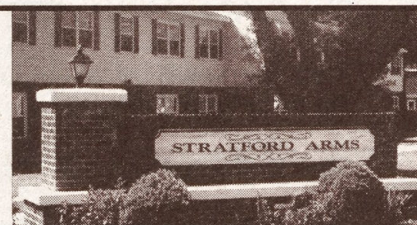
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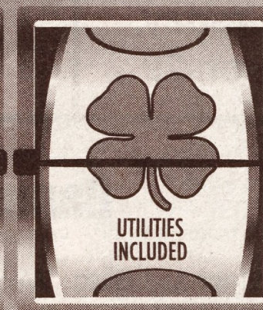
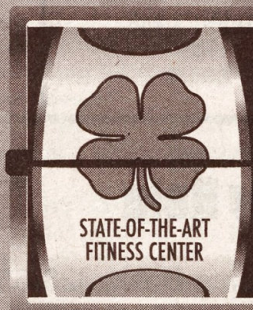
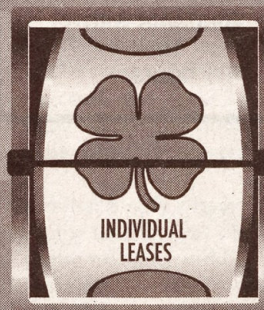
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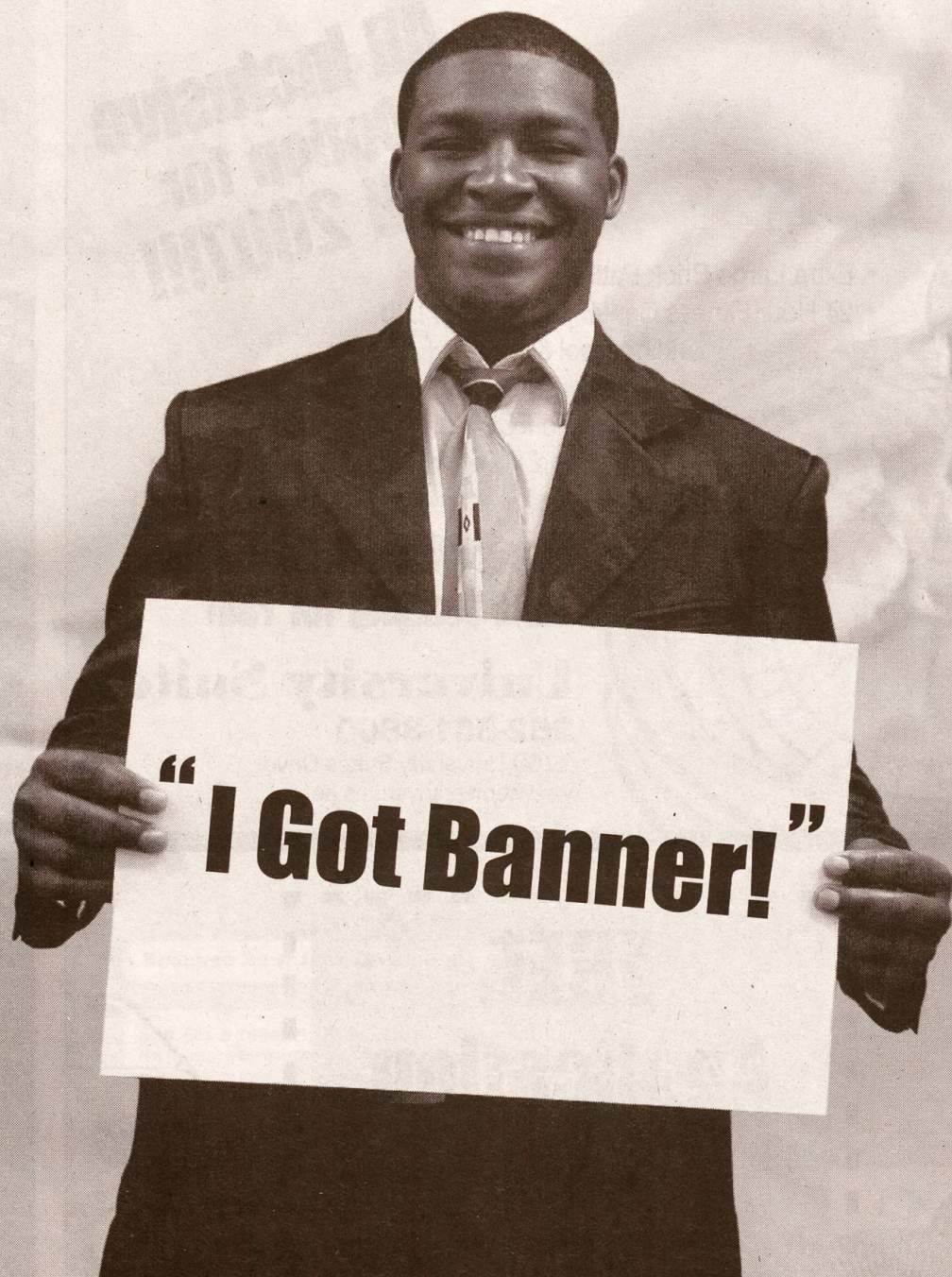
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# Sports

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## BY THE NUMBERS

### 2000

The year that Melvin Moore last played a official football game; Moore is trying to walk-on the ECU football team after spending time in the war in Iraq; he graduated high school in 2001 and ran track at Montgomery College in Maryland before being deployed for 18-months, including a 11-month stint in Iraq before returning to North Carolina in 2005; Moore transferred to ECU from Pitt Community College prior to this semester and is hoping to make the 2007 ECU football team as a 6-foot-1, 186-pound wide receiver/free safety; Moore was a track and football standout at nearby Williamston High School, and his last football game played was in 2000 when his Williamston Tigers lost to Perquimans County High School 58-55; Moore's head football coach at Williamston was Harold Robinson, who is now the director of High School relations at ECU

### .866

Winning percentage for the ECU softball team in the month of March; The Pirates have gone 13-2 in the month, improving their overall record to 22-8; ECU's only losses in March both came by one run to Coastal Carolina; The Pirates have outscored their opponents by a total of 60-18 in the 15 games they've played in March; ECU will look to improve their impressive run as it hosts UNC Greensboro for a double-header today and Marshall for a three-game series this weekend.

### 888

Career strikeouts for ECU softball pitcher Keli Harrell; Harrell became the C-USA all-time strikeout leader on March 11 when she struck out her 859th career batter at the end of the third inning against UCF; the previous record was held by Lindsay Chouinard of Depaul University; Harrell, a J.H. Rose product, has struck out 124 batters in 99 innings this season; Harrell has a 12-4 record with a 1.20 ERA, while opponents are only hitting .142 against her

### 5TH

Place finish for ECU golfer Lene Krog out of over 70 competitors that competed at this week's Waterlife/USF Invitational, which was held at the Golf & River Club in Bradenton, Fla.; Krog, a sophomore and native of Norway, shot a 54-hole score of 229 at the event, making it her third top-five finish of the season and 11th of her career; Krog led ECU to its first ever team and individual C-USA championship last season

### 6-1

Upset victory for the ECU men's tennis team over Coastal Carolina last week in Conway, S.C.; Coastal had a 13-2 record going into the match, but ECU won five of the six singles matches and won the doubles point as they dominated the Chanticleers; the Pirates have now won two games in a row for the first time all season, and will look to extend their winning streak as they travel to play UNC Greensboro at 2 p.m. today

### 0

Total carries for former ECU fullback Vonta Leach in the NFL; Leach just signed a four-year contract with the New York Giants that is worth up to \$8 million and \$1.6 million in guaranteed money; the 250-pounder is used mainly as a blocking back, but he has scored one touchdown in his career and caught 11 catches for 80 yards; Leach, a three-year NFL veteran, has appeared in 34 games and started 11 of them

## ECU softball team enjoys a warm spring break



Photo by LeVina Tynell

Freshman infielder Charina Sumner goes up high to get a pitch. Sumner has had a successful freshman campaign up to this point in the young season.

### Pirates are still on a roll

**BENJAMIN LLOYD**  
SENIOR WRITER

The ECU softball team had ten games in six days starting on March 6. The Pirates match ups included games against ACC competitor Virginia, Conference USA rival UCF, regional foe Coastal Carolina, and Akron. ECU has now improved its record to 22-8 after winning eight of ten games and sweeping three different teams.

"It was nice to beat Virginia, an ACC team, because we lost to Maryland and North Carolina. Then we had Central Florida and nothing beats going 3-0 in conference. We went down to Coastal and didn't have a good showing. It was our 13th game in 12 days and it just caught up with us," said Associate Head Coach Natalie Kozlowski.

In a double-header against Virginia, ECU finally found its way against an ACC opponent. The Pirates rode some clutch pitching to a 4-3 win in the first game. Keli Harrell pitched seven innings, allowing three runs off of four hits. She added six strikeouts, keeping her pace of almost one strikeout an inning over the year.

In the night cap ECU brought out the bats, crushing Virginia 7-1. Pitcher Toni Paisley started the second game fresh off throwing two complete shutout games. Paisley struck out three batters and allowed only one run. The Pirates hitting was impressive, stringing hits together to put a total of 11 on base. Jessica Johnson led the way, going 3-4 at the plate. Freshman Cristen Aona added a 3-3 clip, and has been on fire as of late.

Senior captain Harrell and freshman Paisley pitched back-to-back complete game shutouts in 3-0 and 1-0 wins over UCF

respectively. This dominance was an ideal way to start out conference play. Harrell recorded 11 strikeouts for the game, leaving her five away from setting the C-USA record for career strikeouts, while Paisley had five strikeouts of her own.

In the third game in the series Harrell broke the C-USA record for career strikeouts (859), racking up nine strikeouts.

"It felt pretty good, it was really exciting. It's been a long four years, and to hit the milestone was definitely pretty exciting because my teammates were all there for me," said Harrell of her accomplishment. The win also brought the Pirates consecutive win streak to ten games.

"She so deserves it, she earned it and worked so hard for four years. She proved she's one of the dominant pitchers in our conference," said Kozlowski. "For her to take two of three [wins] this week-

end and to get that record at home was just icing on the cake." ECU's next series was against Coastal Carolina. The Pirates won only one of three games, partly because of tired arms. ECU dropped the first road contest to Coastal Carolina, 4-3.

After the Chanticleers went up early, the Pirates made a comeback bid in the fourth inning. Paige Baggett and Beth Nolan hit back-to-back solo home runs for the first time this season. It was the second home run in as many days for Nolan.

Coastal Carolina was not to be outdone. A one-out RBI single to center field in the sixth inning off reliever Toni Paisley (7-2) gave the Chanticleers the winning run.

The Pirates bounced back by winning the next game 7-1. Paige Baggett led off the inning

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## ECU men's tennis team ready for home stretch

### Pirates are confident after a big win

**JOSEPH MURPHY**  
STAFF WRITER

The ECU men's tennis team has won six matches and lost eight at this point in the season. Despite their losing record, the team is confident and prepared for their remaining nine regular season matches.

The Pirates have only played one match at home thus far, but six of their remaining matches will be played in Greenville.

Head Coach Shawn Heinchon is satisfied with his teams performance overall at this point in the season.

"We've done about as well as we could, we've had a little bit of adversity with some injuries," said Heinchon. "The front part of our schedule is more difficult than the back part of our schedule. We're right where I thought we'd be with the exception of one bad loss."

The outlook for the rest of the season is positive considering that the majority of their remaining matches are at home. The Pirates defeated The Citadel in their one home match thus far, and they are looking forward to their home stand to wind down the regular season. "We like having the home crowd out here," said freshmen Stephen Whitwell. "It's a better atmosphere for us."

"It's the best," junior Henrique Viana said of playing in Greenville. "Especially now that spring has started so the weather's a lot nicer. Our first and only home match we had so many people here, the feeling and the atmosphere was amazing. It was a beautiful day and we had all these people here watching us. It gave us so much confidence."

The Pirates difficult road schedule affects the team in many ways.

"It's really tough," said Viana. "It does influence us a lot because we don't have people cheering for us, we're not used to playing there, and the weather, the courts, everything. You have to be tough, you just have to get used to it."

Over spring break the Pirates soundly defeated Coastal Carolina 6-1 on the road, who had a 13-2 record going into the match. The team traveled to Conway, S.C. three days in advance of the match to prepare for the Chanticleers, and the extra preparation paid off with a resounding victory. "It was great, our confidence is as high as it can be," said Viana. "We beat them at home, the team did a great job supporting each other, spring break was a lot better with a win."

The fact that the team arrived early to Coastal, which is located nine miles from Myrtle Beach, and spent time there was sure to have had a positive effect on the teams morale.

"That gives us confidence," said freshman Stephen Whitwell. "Especially since we're playing [at UNC Greensboro] and Sunday [at home versus College of Charleston]. It'll give us confidence heading into those matches."

Whitwell is one of five freshmen, along with Sam McSpadden, Bryan Oakley, Matt Peeler and Greg Simon who play key roles for the young and senior-less Pirates this season.

Heinchon commended the freshmen for their growth and improvement so far this season, despite their lack of experience against college level competition.

"All of the five freshmen have impressed me greatly," said Coach Heinchon. "They lost some matches in the beginning, but I think they had to go through those growing pains, that experience is helping us a lot now."

Sophomore Aleksey Kochetov is the Pirates standout performer.

"Aleksey is our top returning player," said coach Heinchon. "He's just continued to get better and better, day in and day out. He's just an animal at the top of our lineup."

The team will also receive a major boost when Viana returns to the lineup soon. He has a shoulder injury and will likely miss at least two more matches.

Coach Heinchon believes that

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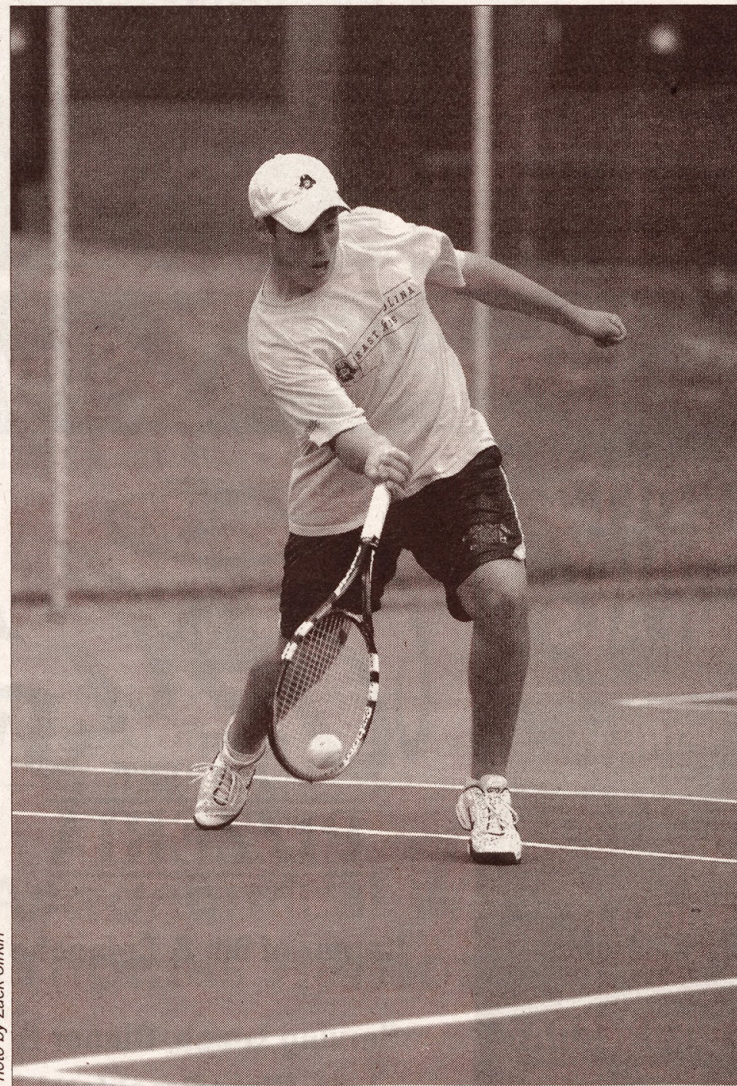


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Freshman Stephen Whitwell, Jr. goes down low to get a hard serve.

## Theodore 'Blue' Edwards leaves a constant reminder

### The greatest Pirate to play the game

**JOSEPH MURPHY**  
STAFF WRITER

This past basketball season surely forced many long-standing Pirate faithful to remember the heyday of ECU basketball. Pirate alumni will most likely cite the teams and players of the late 1980s and early 1990s in any conversation about past greats.

The 1992-93 season was one of the most shocking and exhilarating in the history of ECU basketball, as a team that went 4-10 in the Colonial Athletic Association regular season ran through the

conference's postseason tournament and earned a berth in the NCAA tournament.

Maybe the most shocking and exhilarating player to even put on an ECU jersey was Theodore "Blue" Edwards. People peering through the windows of the Murphy Center can see Edwards' game day jersey reflecting back at them through its tall glass case. Under the jersey are listed many achievements of the all-time great. ECU basketball records waiting to be broken by the next great Pirate. In these trying times it's easy to wonder if there will ever be another to claim the title.

"Blue" Edwards came to ECU from Walstonburg, N.C. where he attended Greene Central High

School in nearby Snow Hill. He was given the nickname because his sister saw him choke as a baby and turn blue.

As a freshman in the 1986-87 season he showed his prolific scoring ability averaging 14 points per game. For a 6'4" guard he also displayed an uncanny knack for rebounding, averaging 5.6 per game. What "Blue" lacked in height, he made up for in athleticism. Throughout his career with the Pirates and in the NBA he was known for his slashing drives to the basket, aerial artistry, and jaw-dropping dunks.

But his career took a detour between his freshman and sophomore seasons. Edwards and several teammates were found guilty

of breaking and entering, and he was subsequently suspended for the entire 1987-88 campaign. Not many college athletes today would be allowed back in school, much less back on a sports team after being convicted of a felony, but Blue was, and he provided the Pirates and their fans with an unforgettable season as a result.

Blue's junior season in 1988-89 was simply incredible statistically. He averaged 26.7 points per game, which was sixth best nationally. His 773 total points, 297 field goals, and 154 free throws made are each the most in a single season in school history, and he also set a single season school record for three-point shooting percentage by connecting on 25 of 51 attempts

(49 percent). In addition he averaged seven rebounds and three assists per game. Blue scored 30 or more points in 11 games his junior year, with a career-high 38 coming against Maryland-Baltimore Co.

Despite the Pirates' pedestrian 15-14 overall record and 6-8 record in conference play, Edwards was named CAA Player of the Year, making him the only Pirate to earn conference player of the year. Blue's career scoring total of 1,177 is tenth in school history, and he is in the top 10 in eight other categories as well.

After the 1989 season Edward's entered the NBA Draft and was-

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## Former ECU fullback signs NFL contract

(AP)—Hoping to add a powerful lead blocker to their revamped backfield, the New York Giants signed Houston Texans three-year veteran fullback Vonta Leach to a restricted free agent offer sheet on Monday.

The Texans will have seven days to match the four-year offer sheet, which is worth a total of \$8 million and includes \$1.6 million in guarantees.

If the Texans match the offer sheet, they will assume the terms of the deal that the Giants negotiated with Leach. If the Texans decline to match the offer sheet, Leach will move on to the Giants.

Because he entered the NFL as an undrafted free agent in 2004, and Houston made Leach the lowest qualifying offer for a restricted free agent, a one-year deal for \$850,000, the Texans will receive no compensation from the Giants if they don't match.

Leach, 25, is a 250-pounder capable of clearing out linebackers and carving out holes for tailbacks running behind him. He is also an improving pass protector.

In three NFL seasons, Leach has yet to register a single rushing attempt and he has only 11 catches for 80 yards and one touchdown in 34 appearances, including 10 starts. His value, though, isn't in touching the ball as much as it is colliding with would-be tacklers. It is assumed that, if the Giants acquire him, he will replace incumbent Jim Finn.

Few teams carry two fullbacks on their roster and Leach is much stronger and five years younger

than Finn, a seven-year veteran.

With the retirement of Tiki Barber at the end of the 2006 season, the Giants will go into 2007 with a new starting tailback, projected to be two-year veteran Brandon Jacobs. The Giants also acquired veteran tailback Reuben Droughns in a trade with Cleveland last week.

Leach entered the league with Green Bay in 2004 as an undrafted free agent. The former ECU standout played two seasons with the Packers, then was released last summer and signed by Houston, where he split time with Jameel Cook.

The Texans, who value Leach and covet his toughness, probably will take the full seven days to deliberate over the offer sheet.

So far, three restricted free agents have switched teams already during the signing period. One restricted free agent, wide receiver Wes Welker, was actually traded from Miami to New England. Last week, the Cincinnati Bengals declined to match a four-year offer sheet that defensive tackle Shaun Smith signed with the Cleveland Browns. And the Dallas Cowboys passed on an offer sheet that linebacker Ryan Fowler signed with the Tennessee Titans.

Securing the services of restricted free agents historically has proven a difficult undertaking with the current system. In the 14 previous years of free agency, only 55 restricted free agents changed teams. Four restricted free agents changed teams in 2006.

## TENNIS continued from B5



Bryan Oakley lunges low, at a serve to lift it off the court.

the Pirates tough schedule early will benefit the team in the long run and is not troubled by the Pirates losing record as long as the team continues to improve.

"I'm not really concerned if we're 10-10 at the end of the year, or if we're 8-12, or 15-2," said Heinchon. "If you're doing the best you can and you're getting better and you're growing as a group then the wins and the success will come by themselves."

With a team entirely com-

prised of underclassmen experience gained and improvement made this season will give the Pirates a stepping-stone for next season.

The ECU men's tennis team will be in action this afternoon at UNC Greensboro and this Sunday at noon at the ECU Tennis Complex against College of Charleston.

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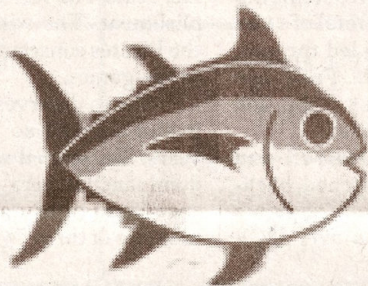
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## SOFTBALL continued from B5



Photo by LeVina Tyrell

Freshman pitcher Toni Paisley has provided a strong compliment for star pitcher Keli Harrell. The two have pitched back-to-back shutouts.

with her sixth home run of the season. Baggett had a span of twelve games between hitting home runs, but has gone hot once again.

A three-run home run by Kaui Tom capped off a six run second inning by the Pirates before dropping the second game 7-6. ECU had a 6-3 lead heading into the seventh inning in game two but Coastal Carolina battled back to score four runs and win the game 7-6.

ECU returned home to face Akron after the disappointing spring break trip. The Pirates got back to their winning ways, beating the Zips 5-1 in back-to-back games.

A five-run sixth inning in game one came at the right time,

as ECU fended off Akron. A two-run fourth inning in game two sealed the deal for the Pirates, giving them the sweep. Harrell threw seven innings and had eight strikeouts while Paisley followed suit with six strikeouts.

"I think we have one of the strongest staffs we've ever had. Paisley has really stepped up and done a great job. Brooke Swann is doing a great job also and I think we all work really well together and compliment each other," says Harrell of her pitching staff.

The Pirates return to the diamond today to face UNC Greensboro in a double-header beginning at 3 p.m.

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## REMINDER continued from B5

selected 21st overall by the Utah Jazz, making him the first and only Pirate to be picked. During his ten year career Blue averaged 11 points, three rebounds, and two assists per game. He played for the Jazz, the Milwaukee Bucks, the Boston Celtics, the Vancouver Grizzlies, and the Miami Heat.

He was a member of the 1990 NBA All-Rookie second team and participated in the 1991 Slam Dunk Contest. On March 1, 1996 Edwards, as a member of the Grizzlies, recorded a triple double with 15 points, 13 rebounds, and 11 assists against the Dallas Mavericks. It was Blue's first triple double and the first in Grizzlies club history. His last season in the NBA was in 1999 with the Miami Heat. After his NBA Career, Edwards played briefly in the Greek professional league before retiring from professional basketball in the summer of 2001.

Edward's junior campaign in 1988-89 is the best in the school's history when taking into account the increased level of competition Blue faced compared to earlier Pirate standouts like Oliver Mack and Bobby Hodges. Lester Lyon's career was more successful and spanned four years rather than just two, however Edward's brief but spectacular career as a Pirate and his 10 year NBA career prove that he is the best basketball

player to don the royal purple and pure gold.

Edward's stellar career at ECU and in the NBA is a reminder of how great a Pirate basketball player can be. ECU should not sit back and accept the fact that it will never be as good as other basketball programs on "tobacco road".

If the Pirates are lucky, another "Blue" Edwards will come to ECU in the future and save the faithful from the current woes of the program. Hopefully a solid foundation truly is being built in these years of turmoil and rebirth.

It was not right for Pirates fans to expect anything spectacular out of this past season with only four letter winners returning, but in seasons to come expectations will surely grow.

Head Coach Ricky Stokes is said to have one of the top 40 recruiting classes in the country coming to ECU next year, and with signing day around the corner its easy to forget the travesty of last season.

Hopefully, Stokes will be able to find a diamond in the rough among these young men and shape him into the caliber of player that "Blue" Edwards was.

Then it will be easy to see where the "solid foundation" is.

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But the real responsibility in this situation lies with those students who are taking advantage of the services provided by our transit system. We need to have you begin to set good models for appropriate behavior and raise the bar for conduct on our buses.

So, as you return to campus and reflect on past experiences while riding on student transit buses, I ask that you help us provide safe, reliable transportation to all of those who need it. We will not continue to tolerate past behaviors that interfere with the safety of the riders. We hope that we can count on your cooperation.

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