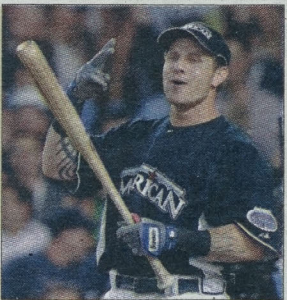


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Many are taking to the sun this summer and working on their tans, despite warnings of skin damage and risks outweighing the benefits....**Page 8**



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## Accused killers of college student president indicted on additional charges

### Killers of Eve Carson may face death penalty

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An Orange County grand jury indicted Eve Carson's accused murderers Monday on charges of armed robbery, first-degree kidnapping, felonious larceny and possession of stolen goods.

The jury also indicted Demario Atwater on additional charges of possession of a firearm by a felon and possession of a weapon of mass destruction. Authorities say Atwater wielded a sawed-off shotgun.

Despite investigative records showing that police think Carson was also shot with a handgun, second suspect Laurence Lovette does not face any weapons charges because he does not have a felony record. Prosecutors cannot consider Lovette's juvenile record for the purpose of lodging additional charges.

Both men were indicted March 31 on first-degree murder charges in the March 5 slaying of the UNC-Chapel Hill student leader. She was shot five times, according to an autopsy report released last week.

Orange-Chatham District Attorney Jim Woodall left unanswered the question of whether authorities believe the account of an anonymous informant who said Atwater told her he and Lovette entered Carson's



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home and took her from it. None of the new indictments reflected such a scenario.

"We indicted on the things that (investigators) felt comfortable going forward on," Woodall said.

Search warrants and related documents indicate that Carson may have been abducted from her home, forced into her Toyota Highlander and driven to an ATM machine, before she was shot in a neighborhood near campus.

A Rule 24 hearing where Woodall will announce whether he'll pursue the death penalty against Atwater was postponed until Aug. 11.

Woodall said attorneys needed more time to prepare, and he wanted to give Carson's family more time to decide whether to attend.

If Atwater is convicted of murder, some of Monday's new charges could translate into aggravating factors to support a death sentence.

Orange County has not sent anyone to death row since 1970, and no offender from Orange County has been executed since 1948.

Lovette, 17, is not eligible for the death penalty because of his age.

Lovette also is charged with the first-degree murder of Abhijit Mahato, a Duke University engineering student from Bengal, India, who was shot in a robbery in January.

## Dr. Paul R.G. Cunningham appointed new dean at ECU medical school



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### Welcomed with open arms by the faculty at Brody

NATALIE JURGEN  
NEWS EDITOR

Dr. Paul R.G. Cunningham, a former faculty member and administrator at the Brody School of Medicine at ECU, has been named dean of the medical school and senior associate vice chancellor for medical affairs.

For the past six years Cunningham has been the chair of the department of surgery at the State University of New York Upstate Medical University in Syracuse.

Cunningham served at ECU for 21 and will begin his new position on Sept. 15.

"Paul Cunningham is exactly the right choice to lead the Brody School of Medicine," Chancellor Steve Ballard said. "He is a highly accomplished, widely respected physician. He is familiar with the school's mission and with the health care challenges facing this region and state, and he is a former chief of staff of our teaching hospital."

Dr. Phyllis Horns, the interim vice chancellor for health sciences who has been serving as interim dean of the medical school, is also excited

for Cunningham's arrival.

"I could not be more pleased to welcome Paul Cunningham as the fifth dean of the Brody School of Medicine," Horns said. "He is extraordinarily well-prepared for this leadership role and brings a wealth of experience that is needed for the school's future growth. His insights and partnership will be invaluable to the development of the Health Sciences Division at ECU at a time when the division's growth is unprecedented, including the addition of a new School of Dentistry."

Growth at the medical

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# New Yorker magazine takes satirical cover cartoon too far

Caricature viewed as  
"tasteless and offensive"

AP

A satirical New Yorker magazine cover cartoon depicting Barack Obama and his wife as flag-burning, fist-bumping radicals drew outrage from the Democratic presidential candidate's campaign as it appeared on newsstands Monday.

The illustration, titled "The Politics of Fear" and drawn by Barry Blitt, depicts Obama wearing traditional Muslim clothing — sandals, robe and turban — while his wife, Michelle, has an assault rifle slung over one shoulder and is dressed in camouflage and combat boots with her hair in an Afro.

A flag burns in a fireplace behind them as they exchange a fist bump; the affectionate greeting they used onstage the night Obama clinched the Democratic nomination. A Fox News anchor later referred to it as a possible "terrorist fist jab." A portrait of Osama bin Laden hangs above the fireplace.

The cartoon, which Obama's campaign said was "tasteless and offensive," is not explained inside the magazine. The issue, dated July 21, also contains a 15,000-word story about Obama's political education and early years in Chicago.

The cartoonist's previous covers include a drawing of President Bush and his inner circle floating up to their elbows in water inside the Oval Office, for an issue published just after Hurricane Katrina ravaged New Orleans.

In a statement, the magazine said the cover combines "fantastical images about the Obamas and shows them for the obvious distortions they are."

"The burning flag, the nationalist-radical and Islamic outfits, the fist-bump, the portrait on the wall? All of them echo one attack or another," the magazine said.

Obama, who is Christian, has long fought rumors that he is secretly a Muslim. His wife has endured her own attacks, including ones that claimed there was videotape of her criticizing "whitey" from a church pulpit. The Obama campaign says there is no such tape because she never spoke at a church.

The magazine said satire is part of what it does "to hold up a mirror to prejudice, the hateful and the absurd. And that's the spirit of this cover."

New Yorker editor David Remnick told the Huffington Post Web site that the cover was chosen because it had something to say.

"I can't speak for anyone else's interpretations, all I can say is that it combines a number of images that have been propagated, not by everyone on

the right but by some, about Obama's supposed 'lack of patriotism' or his being 'soft on terrorism' or the idiotic notion that somehow Michelle Obama is the second coming of the Weathermen or most violent Black Panthers. That somehow all this is going to come to the oval office," Remnick said.

Asked about the cover on Sunday, Obama said, "I have no response to that."

His spokesman, Bill Burton, said: "The New Yorker may think, as one of their staff explained to us, that their cover is a satirical lampoon of the caricature Senator Obama's right-wing critics have tried to create," Burton said. "But most readers will see it as tasteless and offensive. And we agree."

Obama's opponent, Republican John McCain, concurred that the cover was out of bounds, calling it "totally inappropriate, and frankly I understand if Senator Obama and his supporters would find it offensive."

New York Mayor Michael Bloomberg, an independent who has supported Obama's fight to debunk the rumors, said even humorists need to be careful.

"We all have to watch very carefully what we say — our attempts at humor, our attempts at informing people — because some of what we say can be misinterpreted and do real damage," he said.



## SGA Cabinet and Elections Committee 2008-2009

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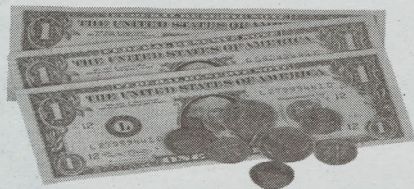
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school, strong university leadership and the chance to further the medical school's mission – producing primary care doctors, educating minority and disadvantaged students and improving the health status of eastern North Carolina – are all reasons Cunningham is happy to return to Greenville.

"Based on all of the information that we received on each of our visits, and with the visible physical evidence of growth on the health campus, it is clear that there are exciting opportunities that will allow those stated missions to achieve their full evolution:

measurable positive statistics in the health indices for eastern North Carolina," Cunningham said.

Cunningham is a native of Jamaica and a medical graduate of the University of the West Indies in Jamaica. After training Cunningham began his career as a surgeon in New York and then made the move to North Carolina.

Cunningham was vice chief of the medical staff at Bertie Memorial Hospital and taught ECU medical students. Cunningham joined the ECU faculty full time in 1984 and became medical director of trauma the following year.

He also was interim director of the organ transplant division from 1990-1991 and chief of the medical staff at Pitt County Memorial Hospital in 1991.

Cunningham rose to professor of surgery in 1993 and was chief of general surgery from 1999-2002. From 1990-1998, he also served as a major in the Army Reserve Medical Corps.

Dr. Walter Pories, a professor and former chair of surgery who recruited Cunningham to ECU in the 1980s, called Cunningham a role model, an excellent teacher and physician and a skillful leader.

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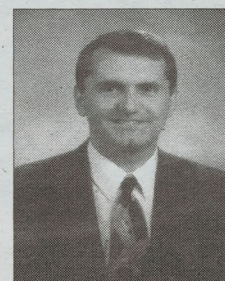
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## RANT OF THE DAY

You know it's not a good sign when the cheese biscuit lady recognizes you.

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## The Easy Way Out Is Not So Easy

Putting a damper on diabetes

ANDREA ROBERTSON  
OPINION WRITER

Bariatric surgery, a procedure that many seek as a last resort to major weight loss, sometimes receives a bad reputation for giving its recipients an easy way out of weight problems. However, new research suggests that a bariatric surgical procedure could lead to a cure in type two diabetes.

Originally, it was thought that to cure this type of diabetes all one needed to do was lose weight; however, the findings of Dr. Karen Foster-Schubert, an instructor at the University of Washington in Seattle, suggests that the metabolic and hormonal changes brought on by this surgery are responsible for alleviating type two diabetes, not simple weight loss alone.

The CDC reports that out of the approximate 40 million people with diabetes, about 176,500 people 20 years old and younger have this disease. Diabetes is no longer a disease just hurting the elderly; people in their early 20s and teens are being afflicted by this epidemic.

With more research conducted, not only will doctors be able to save their patients' limbs, vision, and organs, they will be able to save their lives. By finding a cure for this diabetes through bariatric surgery, we can prevent some of the 300,000 unnecessary deaths a year that are caused by obesity.

This surgery is able not only to improve the quality of life, but also to ultimately save the lives of many who are overweight and it may rid many of insulin dependence. It is not a cure-all solution. People who receive a bariatric surgery are informed that this is a life-style change. Physicians tell their patients that if they do not manage what they eat and begin exercise that they are likely to gain the weight back. It is also very common for a physician to require his or her patient to begin an exercise routine before they receive the surgery in order to show true dedication to weight loss

and a better quality of life.

Diabetes is not a disease that is easy to live with; patients must constantly check their insulin and be cognizant of what they are ingesting. People suffer from diabetic comas, diabetic seizures, insulin attacks, amputations, organ loss and failure. If researchers can find a cure, it should be used to cure those who need help.

With all of these health findings, it is absurd to suggest that bariatric surgery is an unnecessary surgery. As researchers gain more knowledge of the effects of bariatric surgery on type two diabetes, we will hopefully not only be able to better the lives of millions but also be able to make this form of diabetes an epidemic of the past.

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## PIRATE RANTS

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"Does everyone wait 20 minutes to talk to people at the Financial Aid office?" What are you, new? Some of us wait HOURS. Sounds like you were lucky.

The other day, some random guy told me he would drink my bath water ... Wow! WTF?

Paying millions for the first pics of the Brangelina twins, the feds bailing out Freddie and Fannie, and Budweiser selling out ... how much more screwed up can we be?

Was it really necessary to ask a question about every single problem on the practice test? I thought that's why there was a book and office hours.

Booty dancing and screaming in the headlights of a car at 5 a.m. is usually considered rude. I hope you enjoy it when I get drunk and throw up outside your door.

I don't think it is possible to hate physics more than I do right now.

I have never met someone who watches quite as much TV as you do.

Just because a girl has short shorts or a low cut top on doesn't mean she

automatically wants to go home with you. Maybe we're hot or we want to look cute to go out with our friends ... GEEZ!

I wish I had superpowers like the X-Men.

I'll shave my head if this gets in.

Is it bad that I'm ready for school to start back just so I can get the refund check from financial aid?

Jesse Helms was the man!

I love how you watch TV shows that you watched when we were 10, but you're 10 years older than us.

You thought my insecurities were hot; now whenever I start to like a guy again, they all come out, and it is not hot.

If a person vehemently condemns you simply because of what you wear, he is a false prophet. "...the Lord looketh on the heart" (1 Samuel 16:7).

I was hanging out at my friend's house the other day, snooping through his stuff, when I found Magnum condoms in his dresser drawer ... now I can't look at him the

same way!

How is it that my Business & Professional Communications teacher says 'liberry' and not library? Real professional...

To Mulder & Scully: please don't taint Austin; I have class in there! Thanks.

Attention professors: when the class average of an exam is 44, then you are obviously doing something wrong!

You know it's not a good sign when the cheese biscuit lady recognizes you.

The Incredible Hulk is awesome!

To Mulder: I am not in Greenville right now, but I will be back in August.

To the person who made the comment about education majors: No we won't get paid enough to teach scum like you!

I don't check the online version of TEC very often, so maybe I've missed it, but is it possible for y'all to conduct a poll that doesn't have anything to do with sports? Really, I don't care about the ECU sports program.

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Men are 6 times more likely to be struck by lightning than women.

It is estimated that millions of trees in the world are accidentally planted by squirrels who bury nuts and then forget where they hid them.

Of all the words in the English language, the word "set" has the most definitions.

There are more than 50,000 earthquakes throughout the world every year.

Bulls are colorblind, therefore will usually charge at a matador's waving cape no matter what color it is.

A hard working adult sweats up to 4 gallons per day.

Apples are more efficient than caffeine in keeping people awake in the morning.

In Kentucky, it's the law that a person must take a bath once a year.

The world's oldest piece of chewing gum is over 9000 years old.

A sneeze travels out your mouth at over 100 m.p.h.

The average American/Canadian drinks about 600 sodas a year.

More Monopoly money is printed in a year, than real money printed throughout the world.

Like fingerprints, everyone's tongue print is different.

There are no words in the dictionary that rhyme with: "orange," "purple" and "month".

## Entrepreneurship flourishes at ECU

Former ECU student promotes Greenville nightlife

LAKEISHA GOODMAN  
STAFF WRITER

If you have heard of College Thursdays at Club Phoenix or the Pirate Palooza After-Party coming up August 19, then it means Richard Moore's company, BiznessMoney Promotions, is getting its job done. However, promoting parties wasn't always Moore's dream.

For Moore, who recently graduated from ECU, promoting parties wasn't always his intended goal. As a college freshman majoring in recreational therapy, Moore looked forward to weekends of going out and enjoying the downtown Greenville club scene; however, he became frustrated after countless nights of being denied entry into clubs.

"There was always a new reason why I couldn't get in," said Moore. "Either I didn't have membership, or my shirt was too big or I couldn't wear my chain."

That is when Moore decided to take matters into his own hands. He got together with a couple of friends and decided to host a party of their own in a local club in Greenville, providing a social yet safe environment where anyone could have fun. After the party,



The ECU School of Business offers a Small Business and Entrepreneurship major for all students.

Moore and his friends were given hefty revenue.

Satisfied with how the event turned out and along with making profit, Moore decided to turn this into a business. Shortly after, BiznessMoney Promotions was founded.

BiznessMoney Promotions is a promotional company that sponsors and promotes events. These events can include general parties, birthday parties and concerts. They can also help book entertain-

ment for events.

BiznessMoney Promotions books specific themed parties at clubs and then promotes them, ensuring that there will be many in attendance.

Moore also uses his company to give back to the ECU community. If any student organizations are interested in throwing a party to raise money, BiznessMoney Promotions can help sponsor and advertise the party as well as donate a percentage of profits to

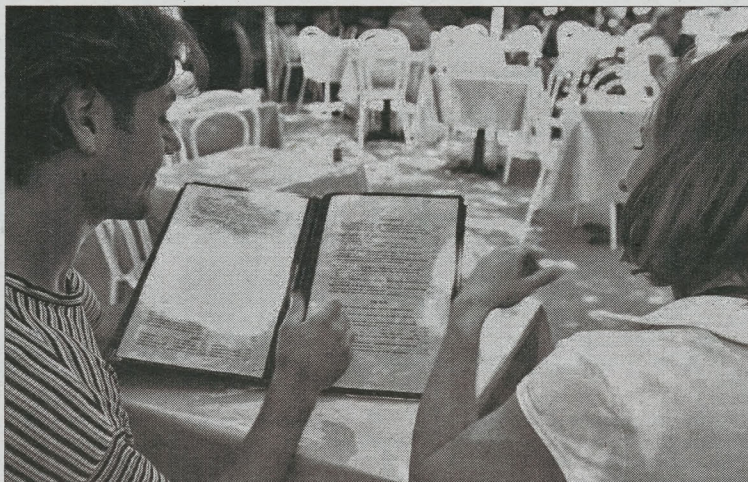
the organization.

It may seem simple but Moore believes that it takes plenty of organization and help from others to plan and promote parties. Along with the help of Zack Hewitt and Jamie Brown, Moore also has a street team known as Triple Threat Entertainment.

This team consists of individuals who travel around Greenville to hand out flyers

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## Staying healthy while on vacation



Choosing meals wisely on vacation is important for all vacationers.

Don't take a retreat from wise decisions

ERIN EDWARDS  
FEATURES EDITOR

Summer serves as the primary time for many to take annual vacations from the hectic everyday life of the modern workplace. Whether taking a trip overseas, bringing the entire family to Disneyworld, or venturing to a house by the shore, vacations are the getaways people spend their entire year looking forward to.

As many temporarily escape from school or work obligations, some take a retreat from a healthy

lifestyle. Once vacationers reach their destinations, temptation begins to show itself in the form of fatty foods, sugary drinks, overindulgence in alcohol and overall laziness.

Still, going on vacation does not have to signal the end of making healthy choices. It is possible to make wise decisions about eating and exercise while having fun.

Suzanne McDonald, the assistant director of physical activity and wellness education at ECU believes that people tend to create excuses to overindulge while on vacation.

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## Can cell phones cause cancer?

Debate still puzzles  
experts and consumers

ERIN EDWARDS  
FEATURES EDITOR

The cell phone is one of the most used technological advancements created over the past decade with over a billion people across the world owning at least one. According to estimates by the Cellular Telecommunications and Internet Association, over 219 million Americans subscribe to a cellular service, a number that has exploded since the introduction of wireless mobiles in the 1990s.

However, many wonder if cell phones are doing more harm than good. It has been debated for over a decade, with differing opinions and data leaving many consumers and experts puzzled. With new reports coming from both sides of the argument, the question of whether cell phones are linked to cancer is heating up.

Sometimes smaller than the palm of a hand, cell phones are equipped with the ability to reach anyone at any time almost anywhere in the world, but there has been speculation that there might be a link between the transmission of radio frequencies that could be absorbed by the head and neck. This has indicated to many experts the

possibility of a link between cell phone use and three types of rare tumors, including glioma, cancer of the parotid (a salivary gland near the ear) and acoustic neuroma (a tumor that usually forms where the ear meets the brain).

Normally, the types of radiation emitted by mobiles are non-ionizing, making them too weak to set off DNA damage that has been known to cause cancer. There is no known data indicating that this kind of radiation is responsible for cancer.

The Food and Drug Administration has released information on three studies since 2000, concluding that cell phone usage shows no harmful effects. Researching a span of around three years, the FDA has noted that much of the research is flawed with no data pertaining to long-term exposures or indication of casual or heavy use.


The long-standing debate has led to countless research efforts, including INTERPHONE, a series of international case-controlled studies of cancer in relations to mobile telephone use. Funded by the European Union, the INTERPHONE studies are comprised of various studies from over 13 countries, all of which individually publish their findings. These findings will only be drawn when the pooled

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It is still undetermined if there is a link between cancer and cell phone use.

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# Everything but the skin VACATION

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A sunscreen with an SPF of at least 15 is recommended for sunbathers.

## Students still bake in the sun despite warnings

ELISE PHILLIPS  
EDITOR IN CHIEF

According to Dr. William Burke, residency program director and professor of medicine at ECU's Brody School of Medicine, many students worry about what to eat and how to exercise but not about their skin.

"I see students that do everything in their power to stay healthy, and then they're tan," said Dr. Burke. "It's crazy. Tan skin is unhealthy skin."

Yet, students flock to the tanning bed, beach or pool for that golden tan every year. According to the Skin Cancer Foundation, 2.3 million American young people use tanning beds each year in the U.S.

According to Dr. Burke, it is estimated that we get 80 percent of our sun exposure by the time we are 21.

Many students have heard the warnings. Tanning can result in premature skin aging; damage to the immune system and of course, cancer, according to the American Academy of Dermatology; however, the myth that tan skin is healthy still pervades our society.

Mallory Osbrow, tanning bed operator at the Sunshine Factory Tanning Salon in Greenville and an ECU graduate student, says that tanning beds are popular among college students and thinks that tanning at this age is worth the risks.

"Despite the warnings, I think there are good effects that come from tanning beds," Osbrow said.

Like Osbrow, people think that getting Vitamin D from the sun is a healthy reason to tan, but only a little bit of sun gives people the recommended amount of Vitamin D.

In fact, "you only need 15 min-

utes of face and arm [sun] exposure to get the needed amount of Vitamin D," Dr. Burke said.

Dr. Burke says that one in three people from the Southern U.S., like here in North Carolina, will develop basal cell skin cancer in their lifetime. This type of cancer can cause loss of appendages.

An estimated one in 70 will develop melanoma, the deadliest form of skin cancer.

Another scary statistic is that 1.3 million new cases of skin cancer will be diagnosed this year, according to the American Academy of Dermatology.

Although the statistics are out there, Dr. Burke says that many younger Americans are more concerned about how they look than about developing skin cancer.

The Skin Cancer Foundation's official Web site says "There's nothing wrong with your natural skin tone: it shows you're smart about sun protection, which will keep you looking younger longer. But for people who want some color without sacrificing their skin, sunless tanning lotions and sprays provide a safe option."

So how can you stay safe in the sun this summer?

When going out in the sun, Dr. Burke suggests putting on an SPF 15 sunscreen, 30 minutes before getting some rays, and applying it again every two to three hours after that.

After years of warnings and statistics, many young Americans still opt for tan skin, but Dr. Burke says that those who put their looks over their health will not be happy later.

"The American Cancer society has a saying, 'fry now, pay later' and it's true," Dr. Burke said.

For more information about skin cancer and prevention, visit [skincancer.org](http://skincancer.org).

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"Some people get into the mindset that 'I am on vacation so I can eat anything I want and/or I do not need to exercise,'" said McDonald. "With that, many will eat all meals out at restaurants, which typically consist of huge portion sizes or 'all you can eat buffets.'"

McDonald stresses that to avoid weight gain it is important to decide on healthy choices before heading out on vacation, including sharing meals instead of ordering an entire entrée for one, packing food, drinking water with all meals, or skipping restaurants all together and cooking for yourself.

"If you plan ahead for these 'high risk' situations then you are more than likely to stay on track," McDonald said.

ECU student Jan Bowers believes that overeating isn't the only bad decision vacationers make. Exercise is a large factor often ignored that can eventually result in weight gain.

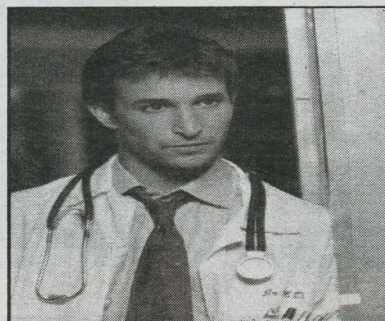
"A lack of exercise can also be a problem that many people have while on vacation, but a way to combat that is to maintain a form of exercise that will burn some calories without having to feel like you are going to the

gym," said Bowers. "For instance, if someone is going to the beach, taking a brisk walk on the beach or a couple of laps in the pool will make a considerable difference."

Using her own experiences, Bowers offers up the 90/10 rule, meaning that if a person eats healthy 90 percent of the time, then they can eat unhealthy 10 percent of the time. Along with healthy food choices, Bowers recommends eating whole grains and fiber, which can help you feel fuller longer and cuts down on snacking between meals.

So whether one chooses the grilled chicken over the fried chicken, healthy decisions are still possible while taking a break from everyday life. It is important to avoid creating excuses that can stray away from wise eating habits, but is it just as essential to allow yourself to splurge a little. Stay active and try to balance food intake with physical activity. If travelers are able to eat healthy on vacation, then they can do so anywhere else.

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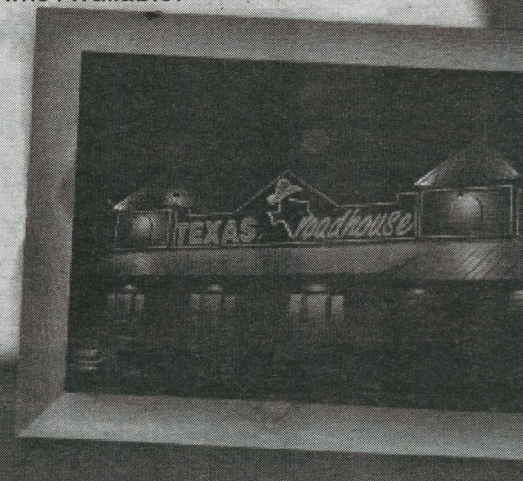
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analysis of the full international data is validated and published in its entirety.

Such an internationally coordinated effort was created due to the growing debate of whether cell phones and cancer are linked and the lack of relevant research data available to the public. According to the Mobile Manufactures Form, the project "focuses on cancers that occur in the head and neck in areas of relatively high exposure to radio signals during mobile usage."

For ECU sophomore Ira Lawson, the idea that cell phones might be causing cancer could affect his everyday routine.

"I never leave anywhere without my phone because I use it for absolutely everything. It is

almost attached to my body- with reminders, schedules and an overall contact with anyone at anytime," said Lawson. "I'm not too sure if cell phones cause cancer, but I wouldn't be surprised if they did. Cell phones are powerful devices that transmit so much."

While there is no concluding evidence from both sides of the argument about the link between cell phones and cancer, experts say that consumers worried about a possible relation should opt to use speakerphone to prevent putting the earpiece against the side of their head.

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and talk to residents concerning upcoming events.

Although promoting parties is a passion for Moore, he encounters a few problems every now and then. His biggest problems are dealing with competition and some people wanting to get in to all of the parties for free.

"This is my job," Moore said. "I need to make money too."

For some ECU students, opening up a business or company as Moore did is a personal goal to look forward to upon graduating. For Stephen McFadden a small business and entrepreneurship major, taking over the family business is a way to expand on his future academic degree.

"I would like to use my degree to eventually take over my family's promotional company, Perfect Promotions & More," said McFadden. "I enjoy working with small businesses and I am excited to create something from my own ideas and creativity."

Along with the Small Business and Entrepreneurship concentration under the School of Business, ECU also offers the Entrepreneurial Initiative, a program that provides support

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For more information or to express interest in getting an event sponsored, Richard Moore can be contacted via his Facebook Group: BiznessMoney Promotions and on his Myspace Web site at [www.myspace.com/Rich77Money](http://www.myspace.com/Rich77Money)

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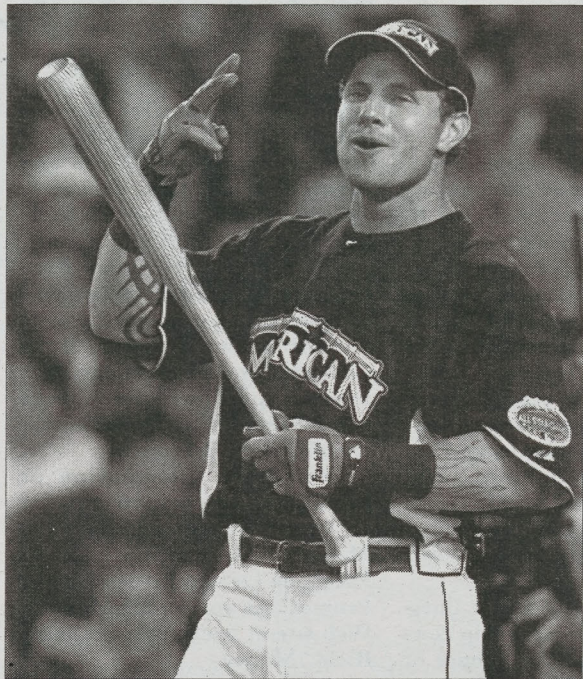
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## Morneau wins derby; Hamilton steals show



Josh Hamilton's dazzling home run display captured the attention of Yankee Stadium.

### Texas Ranger wins over Bronx faithful

(AP)

Josh Hamilton dreamed it. Now he's done it. With a dazzling display of power Monday night, the Texas Rangers slugger hit a record 28 homers in the first round of the All-Star Home Run Derby at Yankee Stadium before he was beaten out by Minnesota's Justin Morneau in the finals.

Morneau topped a tired Hamilton 5-3 in the last round, giving him the derby title. But the night belonged to Hamilton.

Back from drug and alcohol addiction that derailed his career, Hamilton broke Bobby Abreu's mark for one round. Abreu hit 24 home runs in the first round in 2005 at Detroit's Comerica Park.

Hamilton's incredible tale of redemption has made national news this season, and he retold a story Monday afternoon about a vivid dream he had two years ago—he was being interviewed at Yankee Stadium after participating in the Home Run Derby.

"I can say it was a coincidence, but I don't believe in those," he said.

Mind you, his dream came while Hamilton was still banned from Major League Baseball, and before this year's All-Star game was awarded to the venerable ballpark in its final season.

"Obviously, the dream, I didn't know how many I would hit," Hamilton said in a TV interview after his huge first-round performance. "I just feel blessed to have played here."

With the crowd of 53,716 chanting his name, undoubtedly warmed by his improbable journey to stardom, Hamilton connected on 13 consecutive cuts before falling short of the fences on his final two.

"I got chills," he said.

Hamilton was drafted No. 1 overall by Tampa Bay in 1999, with some veteran scouts calling him the best prospect they'd ever seen. He finally reached the majors last year with Cincinnati, then was traded in the offseason for All-Star pitcher Edinson Volquez in a deal that has paid off immensely for both teams.

With his smooth left-handed swing

and jaw-dropping power, Hamilton seemed a natural choice to take advantage of Yankee Stadium's short right-field porch. But he cleared the deepest fences with ease, hitting three shots farther than 500 feet — including his longest estimated at 518.

That was the third-longest drive in the 19-year history of the derby, behind Sammy Sosa's 524-foot homer in 2002 at Miller Park in Milwaukee and Frank Thomas' 519-footer in 1994 at old Three Rivers Stadium in Pittsburgh.

Hamilton's 28 homers in the first round were the second-highest total for an entire derby, behind Abreu's 41 for Philadelphia in 2005.

Signing autographs for players' young kids between swings, Hamilton took a few deep breaths and received high fives from his Texas teammates on the AL All-Star squad. Rangers designated hitter Milton Bradley even strolled to the plate to wipe off Hamilton's forehead with a towel.

"We were sitting there saying, how

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### This Week's Poll:

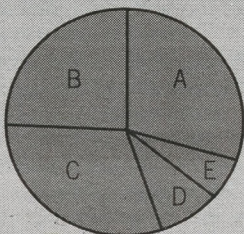
**Do you plan on attending the ECU-Virginia Tech game in Charlotte?**

- A. Yes
- B. No
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### Poll Results:

**Which of these would you like to eventually see as a varsity sport at ECU?**

- A. Ice hockey 31%
- B. Lacrosse 24%
- C. Return of men's soccer 32%
- D. Wrestling 8%
- E. Other 5%



## MLB's future on display at 2008 All-Star Game

### Mid-season awards

HART HOLLOWAN  
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Mid-July is always a special time for baseball players and fans alike. The MLB All-Star Game is a fun experience for those involved and a time to sit back and reflect on the first half of the season.

It also brings its fair share of controversy to the baseball world. Between head-scratching selections and sometimes-criminal omissions from the line-ups, the All-Star Game always provides enough to talk about during the break and this year was no exception.

The fan voting for the starting line-ups always turns in some dubious selections. This year was no different. There is always the potential for fan voting to turn into a popularity contest for the players in the biggest markets with the most passionate fan-bases, and not the most deserving players.

But, this game is for the fans and the league stands by the selection process. This season, there were a few strange selections turned in by the fans.

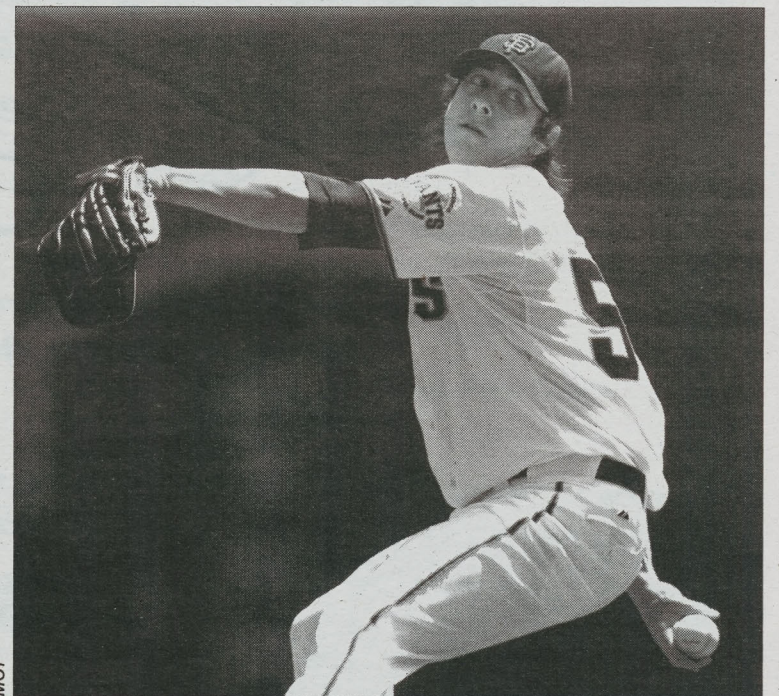
In the National League, the Cubs dominated the selections

with seven. Alfonso Soriano was selected by the fans as starter but will be unable to participate due to injury.

This is just as well because he should have never been selected in the first place. His .283 batting average and extended time on the disabled list (he has been out since June 11 with a broken hand) hardly scream All-Star starter. After a horrendous start he did come on strong in May with 10 home runs, but he is still undeserving of All-Star status this season.

Likewise, his teammate Kosuke Fukudome's selection by the fans was unwarranted. His rather underwhelming stats of 7 HR, 36 RBI and .279 average are solid for a Rookie of the Year candidate, which he most certainly is, but not exactly All-Star game starter quality.

Another selection that might have gone in another direction was made by manager Clint Hurdle in his decision to make the Brewers' Ben Sheets the National League starting pitcher. While he has been impressive with 10 wins and 108 strikeouts, Tim Lincecum seemed to be the most impressive NL starter in the first half of the season (Sorry, Brandon Webb). The diminutive



Giants pitcher Tim Lincecum goes through the motions of his patented wind-up.

Giants ace put up 11 wins and 135 strikeouts with less run support than Sheets received from the potent Brewers line-up.

On the American League side,

it was the Red Sox who led the way with seven selections. While most were deserving of a spot

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# Brandon Jennings: Should he stay or should he go?

Prep star Brandon Jennings covets Europe

KELLEN HOLTZMAN  
SPORTS EDITOR

It looks like someone finally has the audacity to beat the system.

When Oak Hill point guard Brandon Jennings mapped out his career plans, a stay with a European outfit was probably the furthest thing from this prep superstar's mind.

Jennings began his prep career at Dominguez High School in Los Angeles—the same Dominguez High School that produced Tyson Chandler and Tayshaun Prince.

The stylish performer became one of the most coveted prospects in the nation after two seasons at Oak Hill Academy in Virginia. Jennings is rated as a top-10 prospect on just about every scouting list you will find. He is also widely considered the best point guard of the 2008 class.

Jennings' notoriety soared to new levels after an impressive 12-point and nine-assist showing in the 2008 McDonald's All-American Game. Jennings used the game to prove that he was capable

of sharing the ball in addition to being a go-to scorer.

The Californian commanded attention with his outgoing personality and 1990's style *fro*. He instantly became one of the most recognizable members of the 2008 class.

Jennings' exploits attracted the likes of Arizona, Connecticut, Kansas and USC to pursue a letter of intent. Lute Olson and Arizona secured the future starlet's signature, overriding a previous commitment to USC.

In years past, college probably wouldn't have even been on Jennings' radar, but the NBA's age limit rule prohibited him from entering the NBA draft.

Jennings' recent announcement that he would pursue playing in Europe sent shockwaves throughout the basketball world. Speculation insists that Jennings could not meet the minimum SAT scores necessary for him to suit up as a Wildcat.

Rather than risk sinking into anonymity in the junior college ranks or the NBA Developmental League, Jennings is expected to be on the brink of signing with a European team.

The idea is that Jennings would

spend a season in Europe, collect a paycheck, and promptly enter the 2009 NBA Draft. He would become the first American to bypass college basketball for Europe.

At just over 6-feet tall, many scouts have compared the play-making lefty to Kenny Anderson and Allen Iverson—so, finding an interested team is the least of his worries.

Israel, Italy, and Spain would seem the most logical destinations for Jennings if he seeks the best competition.

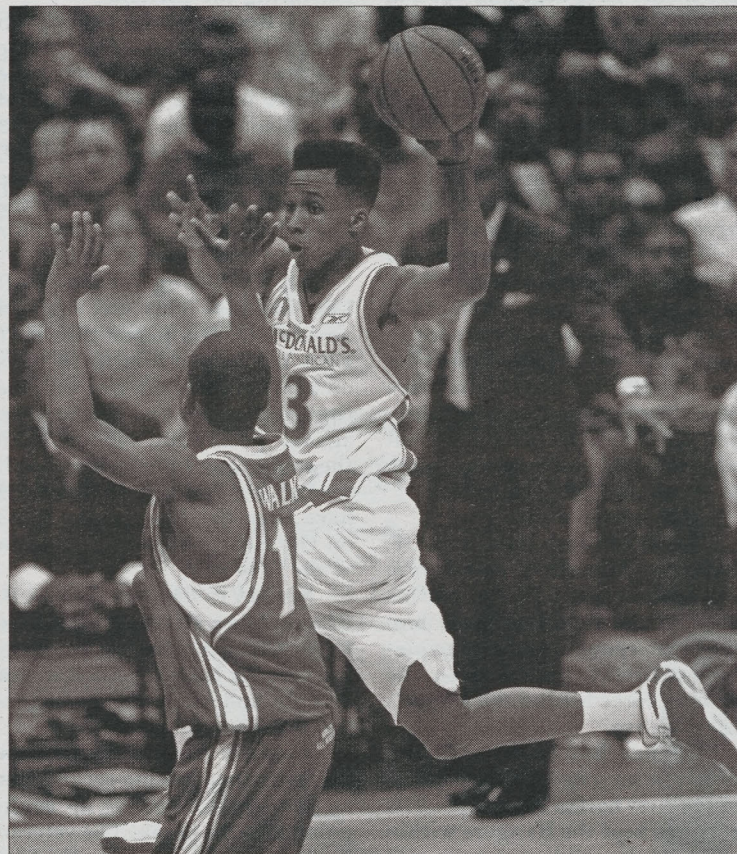
Lottomatica Roma has been rumored to have offered Jennings a two-year contract. Roma finished second in the Italian Serie A standings behind Montepaschi Siena, good enough for a Euroleague berth.

The Spanish ACB League is widely considered the most competitive outside of the NBA and worldly cities such as Barcelona and Madrid could very well attract Jennings.

Maccabi Tel Aviv's dominance of the Israeli league, as well as their deep pockets, keep this Euroleague team in the picture as well.

Will Jennings' decision prompt

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Brandon Jennings plans on fine-tuning his game in Europe before making the jump to the NBA



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on the team, Jason Varitek's .218 BA should have kept him out and David Ortiz, another whose play was stilted due to injury, has not put up All-Star numbers so far this season.

Other than that, there isn't too much to gripe about. Had Evan Longoria missed out on the last spot by fan vote, it would have been a glaring omission.

Perhaps Jason Giambi did enough since his mustache-driven resurgence to earn a selection, but the only player whose spot he could take was the also deserving Joe Crede. One could also have made a case for Crede's White Sox teammate Jermaine Dye, but a crowded AL outfield was tough to break into this year.

Mid-season awards:

**AL MVP-** Josh Hamilton, OF, Rangers- His story makes him the sentimental favorite, but his play on the field has made him the front-runner. An early triple-crown threat, he has been the driving force behind the league's best offense.

He has belted 21 HR and drove in an astonishing 97 RBI in the first half of the season. His play has kept the Rangers within reach of the wild card race--not

to mention his stellar defense patrolling the outfield.

**AL Rookie of the Year-** Evan Longoria, 3B, Rays- This rookie All-Star has been the star of the surprise team of the first half of the season. If his 16 HR and 53 RBI weren't impressive enough, his defense has been. Longoria has made play after play from the hot corner and looks primed for the AL Gold Glove as well.

**AL Cy Young Award-** Cliff Lee, Indians- This was really a no-brainer. His paper thin 2.31 ERA has helped him to 12 wins on a last place team. Lee won his first nine starts and has been up against poorly run support from the struggling Indians line-up all season. He and Grady Sizemore have been the lone bright spots on the most disappointing team of the first half.

**NL MVP-** Chipper Jones, 3B, Braves- With all respect to Chase Utley, Chipper is having an amazing year. He leads the MLB with a .376 BA and has spent the majority of the season above .400.

A recent stint on the DL saw his form dip after his return, but he has started to heat up again going into the break. The veteran has kept the Braves in the hunt for

the division title and his production was sorely missed when he was injured. If he stays healthy the Braves may have a second half charge in them and he would be the driving force behind it.

**NL Rookie of the Year-** Kosuke Fukudome, OF, Cubs- Some people have a problem giving this award to a veteran of another league, but the inaugural award went to Jackie Robinson, a seasoned veteran of the Negro Leagues, so that mindset is unfounded and egocentric of the American media.

Fukudome has put up solid numbers, even for a nine-year vet of the Japanese league. He has become a fan favorite at Wrigley because of his clutch hitting and he leads NL rookies in multi-hit games, hits, runs and on-base percentage.

**NL Cy Young-** Tim Lincecum, Giants- This is probably one of the hardest calls of the first half. A host of deserving National League pitchers have made their case.

Brandon Webb won his first nine starts, Ben Sheets is the All-

Star game starter and Edinson Volquez has been stellar--but Lincecum is the choice here.

His numbers are great and his 135 strikeouts lead the majors. He has needed every one of them with a porous defense behind him and a poorly run support all season. What he can do on the mound given his stature (5-10, 170) is nothing short of amazing, as well as his ability to stay off the DL.

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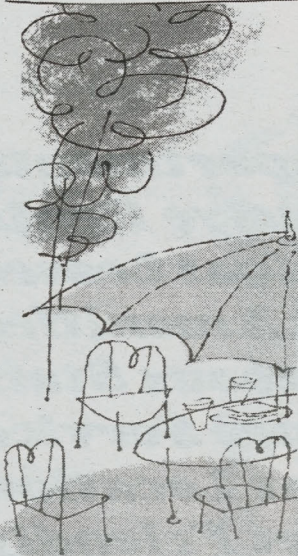
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do you follow that?" Morneau said. "I'm glad I didn't hit right after him, that's for sure."

Hamilton totaled 35 homers to Morneau's 22 — and the Texas outfielder stopped after making only four outs in the second round because he was already assured a spot in the finals. Contestants get 10 outs in each round.

"I couldn't ask for anything else," Hamilton said. "You don't feel tired, but obviously you're a little tired."

When it was over, Morneau was left practically apologizing for winning.

"I was lucky that we got reset," he said. "This was his show. He deserved to win it. That was one of the best performances I've ever seen."

"It does seem kind of unfair that he didn't get to win the whole thing," Morneau added. "Anyone who was here won't forget that performance."

Nobody has ever hit a fair ball out of Yankee Stadium, but some of baseball's top sluggers took aim at Monument Park and the ballpark's vast upper deck Monday night.

One of Hamilton's 500-foot drives hit a wall behind the right-field bleachers, drawing a roar from

the delirious crowd.

Hamilton's batting practice pitcher also was quite a story. The slugger chose a 71-year-old volunteer coach who often threw BP to Hamilton when he was a teenager in North Carolina.

Milwaukee's Ryan Braun and Houston's Lance Berkman were knocked out in the semifinals. Eliminated in the first round were Philadelphia's Chase Utley, Cleveland's Grady Sizemore, Florida's Dan Uggla and Tampa Bay's Evan Longoria, the first rookie to participate since Nomar Garciaparra in 1997.

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other players in similar situations to do act the same?

My guess is—yes, especially if NBA Commissioner David Stern elects to implement a new rule mandating two years of college rather than one.

If this works out for Jennings, players will be dumping Duke for Partizan Igokea faster than you can say, "Darko."

Maybe this is an extreme scenario, but don't think future classes won't be keeping a close eye on Jennings' success.

Most players like Jennings are

merely using college as a stepping-stone to the NBA and have no intention of staying more than one year.

Why not pocket a few hundred thousand bucks and get started on that shoe deal right away?

Language barriers and lifestyle adjustments will keep most players on this side of the Atlantic for the near future, but Stern had better hold the trigger on a new age-limit rule, or he could have an epidemic on his hands.

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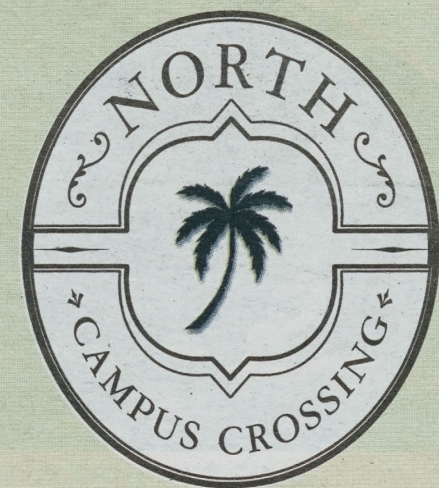
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