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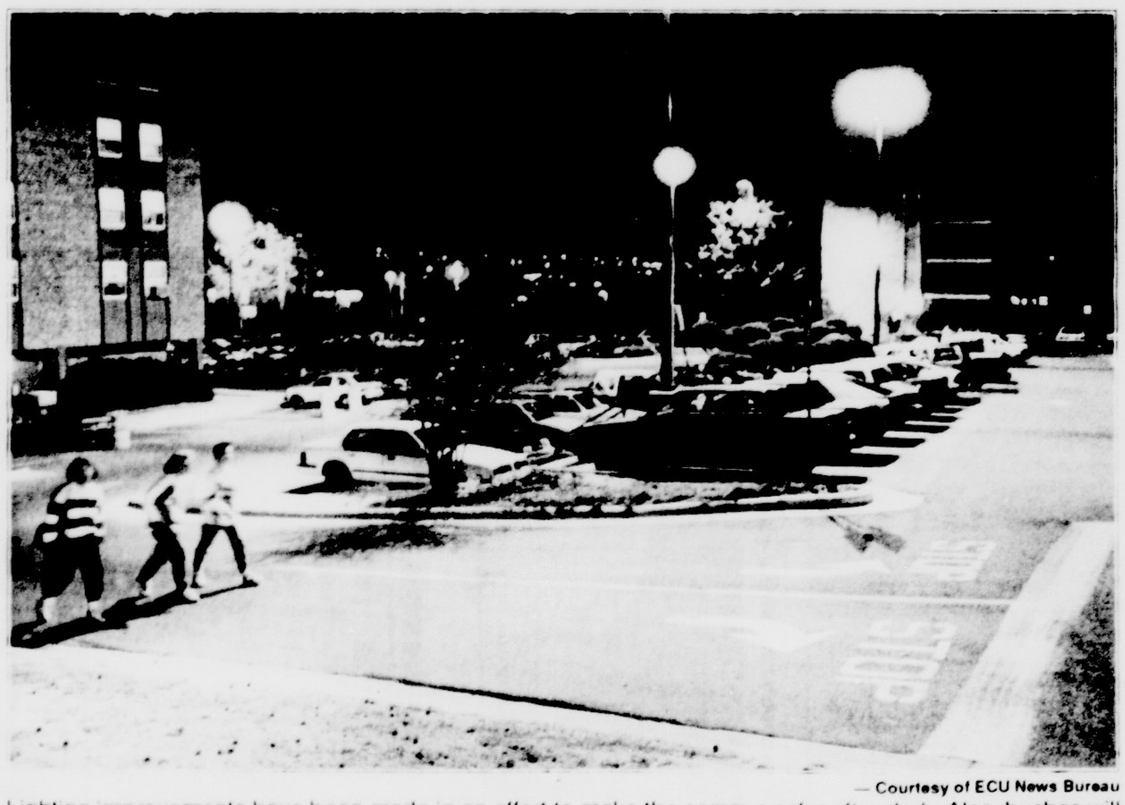

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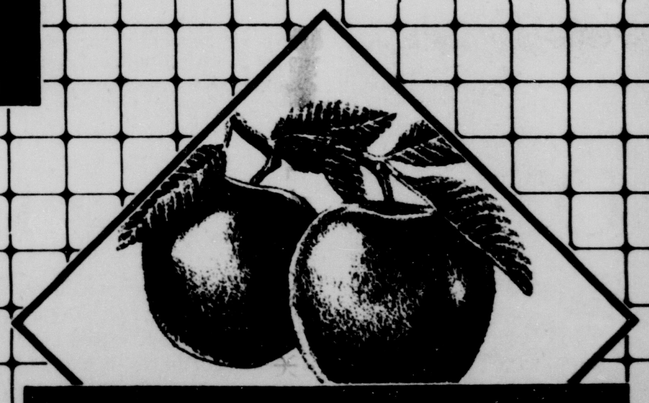

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Tennessee senator slims down, possibly for presidential race

By LaCrisha Butler
Gannett News Service

WASHINGTON — Could Sen. Al Gore Jr., D-Tenn., be slimming down for a run at the presidency in 1992?

At a congressional party last month, Virginia Gov. Douglas Wilder, whose name also has been bandied about as a possible presidential contender, asked Gore if his 15-pound drop in weight meant he was going to run. Gore did not answer.

Gore was equally reluctant Tuesday to answer questions about his weight and any tie that it might have to his presidential aspirations.

"How much do you weigh?" he challenged when asked his current weight.

He added: "I have no plans to run for president, but I have said previously I am considering the question. I have no timetable."

Instead, Gore said yuletide indulging back home in Carthage — courtesy of his family: wife, Tipper; mother, Pauline; and family housekeeper Mattie Lucy Payne — added a few pounds to his normal 200-pound frame.

"My weight goes up and down, particularly during the Christmas holidays," said Gore, who jogs four miles daily.

"After I ate fried chicken and fruitcake through Christmas and New Year's, I was heavier than I am now. It's not a big deal, I tell you. And it's not unusual."

Or, as press secretary Marla Romash put it: "I think Sen. Gore is not unlike a lot of us. He gains and loses the same 15 pounds."

About his presidential aspirations, she added: "I would not watch his waistline for clues."

Gore made an unsuccessful bid for the presidency in 1988. He is expected to decide on next year's race in June.

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Lighting

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ard Brown, vice chancellor for business affairs. "It will not affect this year's budget."

He said: "The safety-related issues have been addressed. It's a dramatic change.

"While lights alone cannot completely assure one's security, the purpose of the project is to make the campus safer."

Ken Dail, an ECU senior from Mt. Olive, was especially pleased with the lighting of wooded areas behind classroom buildings and Joyner Library.

"You can actually see to walk through this small patch of woods," Dail said. " It was something we had really been needing, and it has made a tremendous difference."

New lighting installations are to be completed in all high-priority areas such as the high rise dormitories, Mendenhall Student Center, the College Hill area and parking lots.

Also, Knox said, overgrown bushes are being replaced with low-growing shrubs in certain high-risk areas.

"It makes the campus more attractive and leaves potential criminals no place to hide," Knox said.

"We have already noticed a reduced number of complaints," he said.

Sunbathers

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ine your skin once a year. Be sure to examine your whole body.

Look for changes in moles. The average body will have about two dozen moles, and these should be checked for changes in shape or color.

Look for sores that won't heal or bruises that take longer than a month to go away.

If you notice any changes, call your physician. If found early enough, nearly all cases of skin cancer can be cured.

Have a safe spring break and look for "Safe Sun Fun: The ultraviolet affair" programs offered by the ECU Student Peer Health Educators.

For more information on safe sunning, contact the Student Health Service at 757-6794.

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information as accurate and complete as possible about other cultures," he said.

"Certainly, understanding a religion provides critical insights into the culture in which that religion is found and into the lives of people who adhere to it," he said.

"This is so important in a world where cultures are being increasingly hurled together, at times with dangerous and far-flung consequences."

A question and answer session will be held at the end of Braibanti's talk.

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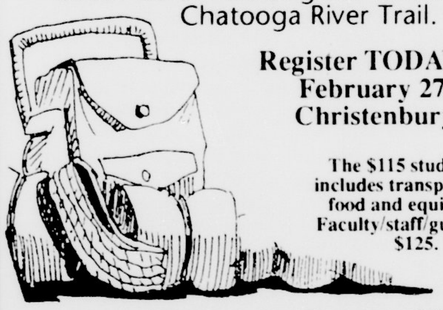
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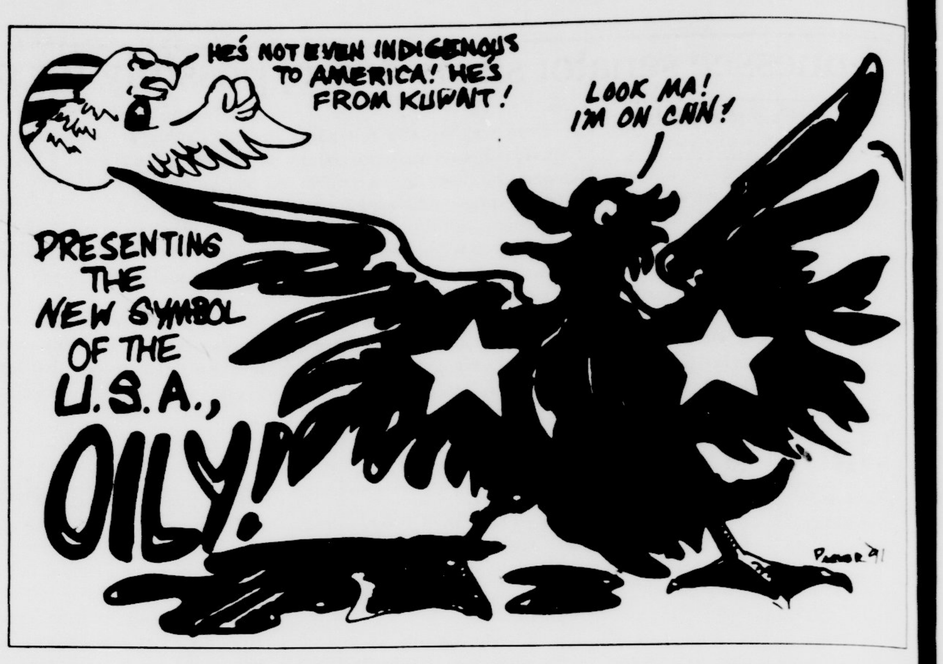

OPINION

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Smoking policy deserves fair look

On Feb. 11, the Student Government Association rejected a proposed resolution to expand guidelines for the current campus smoking policy by a vote of 28 to 21.

The new resolution, if it had passed, would have restricted smoking in hallways, rest rooms, all classroom buildings and in at least 50 percent of all campus dining facilities.

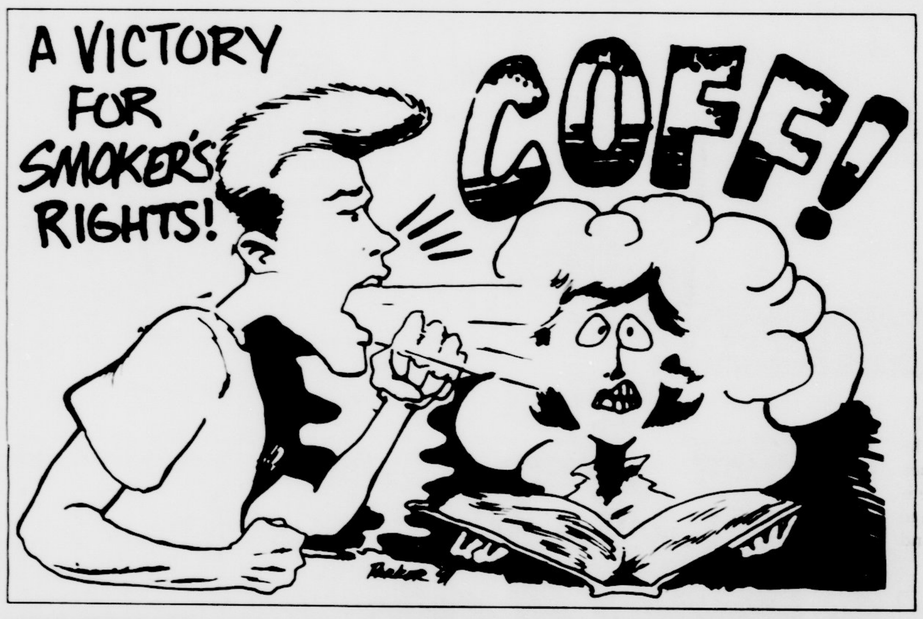
The proposal followed a research survey of about 300 students enrolled in Health 1001. According to Jennifer Phillips, a graduate student in Health Education and founder of the survey, the study concluded that over 50 percent of the students at ECU prefer smoke-free facilities.

However, the majority of legislators said they opposed the resolution because of its bias toward non-smokers and underclassmen. One legislator also said that the majority of Health 1001 students are freshmen and therefore do not provide a true representation of the student body.

While this is true that freshmen alone cannot speak for the entire university, they do comprise over 20 percent of the student body and should not be ignored. Perhaps the SGA fails to realize that, despite their naivete, freshman are quite capable of having opinions about topics on campus.

Rather than dodge the issue because the only information available is from "freshmen," the SGA should take a closer look at ECU's smoking policy from a campus-wide perspective—building upon what has already been learned from the freshmen surveyed and applying it to additional surveys of upperclassmen.

True, the SGA made the right choice by not accepting the resolution based on only a portion of the student body, but further information should be obtained, representing everyone's viewpoints, before a final decision is made.



'Tenants' feel guilty for actions

By Bill Egbert
Editorial Columnist

We all shuddered when Saddam Hussein opened the valves and created the world's first (or at least best-publicized) maliciously-inflicted oil spill. We winced not just because of the immediate implications of the catastrophe, but also because it highlighted some basic and unsavory facts about our society.

When we denounced his heinous act of "environmental terrorism," we tried to wail loud enough to drown-out the voice in our heads that reminded us who made such an act possible.

Who filled those tanks with oil in the first place? And who's going to fill them back up again as soon as the valve handles cool off? That's right. The putz you see in the mirror every morning. And none of us are willing to change.

Sure, we pretend. We buy recycled-paper greeting cards. We wear earth tones. We put lots of bumper stickers on our cars. But we'd drive around wearing gas masks sooner than we'd walk to work.

If we took disposable diapers off the market there would be riots in the streets. Pampers are too damn convenient. They're just going to keep piling up and in a million years the cockroaches will build cathedrals out of them.

So, we wear sandals and go to Sting concerts and hope that the ozone layer hangs around until we die. (Knock on styrofoam®.)

But we can't blame ourselves. Life as we know and love it is incompatible with actual environmentalism. If we stopped dumping garbage on top of our landfills just because they were overflowing, our cities would collapse. Our society is based on not having to deal with its waste.

Without flush toilets, *Homo urbanis* would curl-up and die. Plumbing isn't a luxury—it's part of our digestive tract.

At the other end of our new and improved digestive system we're dependent on diesel tractors and pre-digestive juices like fertilizers and pesticides. And then, of course, there's make-up.

Americans wouldn't think of buying a tangerine that wasn't spray-painted at the factory with fluorescent-orange auto primer. Why buy food that looks real when for few cents (and carcinogens) more, we can buy food that looks perfect?

We cover ourselves with wardrobes of clothes all woven from either synthetic fibers derived from petroleum products, or (if we're *real* armchair environmentalists) natural fibers which have to be harvested by those fossil-fuel-burning combines.

We drive to work, and that means cars and gas and fuzzy dice. We'd have to eat our steroid-soaked beef raw without electricity, which means a few more tons of airborne pollutants. And what American could go on without a television — nay, a VCR?

Regardless of what our T-shirts say about our commitment to the environment, we can't deny the fact that we are all consenting adults participating in an industrialized society.

Anything that we don't raise in our backyards or carve by hand with stone tools (i.e. everything we wear, eat, play with, or stick on our bumpers) has to be wrapped in plastic at factories dependent on fossil fuels, shipped across the continent in trains, planes and automobiles and arranged on a shelf in an air-conditioned mall. All for the low, low price of less than we ought to have to pay.

All of the manufactured goods, utilities, and other niceties we enjoy here in the wealthiest nation on the planet depend upon an industrial infrastructure based on cheap energy (i.e. fossil-fuels) and painless waste disposal (i.e. pollution).

Any significant reduction of fuel consumption or pollution output will have to involve a profound restructuring of the way our society works. That would mean giving up many of those niceties.

We pretend that it's somebody else who perpetuates the system — the corporations, the government, the neighbor with the land yacht — but we all eagerly reap its benefits.

At the moment, for all our wailing, we are still unwilling to let go of the cheap, comfortable, flavor-enhanced life that our environmentally irresponsible society makes possible.

We use the world like a rental car, and we admit it. We're not yet willing to change that. But we're starting to feel really guilty about it, and that's the first step.

The next step is to admit that we're not yet willing to change, and to start feeling really guilty about that, too.

Letters To The Editor

Comic book reviews spark interest, request

To The Editor:

In reference to the Features section, I really enjoyed the comic book reviews that the paper ran. Only two such articles ran, and I have since missed them.

I was very excited that *The East Carolinian* acknowledged the comic medium. I thought the reviews were intelligent and informative. Clifford Coffey obviously has read comics for a long time and has amassed a vast knowledge on the subject. It is refreshing to see that comics are not accepted as plain funny books anymore.

I know that I'm not the only student that reads and enjoys them. The comic store that I go to had several people talking about them.

I don't know if these were a fluke, or a one time deal, but I certainly hope not. Please get Coffey to write more for you, as soon as possible.

Jacob Zorn
Junior
Communications Arts

Conscientious objectors need to register now

To The Editor:

Conscientious objectors to war for moral and religious reasons ought to register as such as soon as possible.

The 1962 Department of Defense Directive 1300.b defines a conscientious objector as a person who has "a firm, fixed and sincere objection to participation in war in any form or the bearing of arms, by reason of religious training and belief."

There is no official way to file for conscientious objector status with the Selective Service System, but it is important that a conscientious objector gather letters from friends, family, teachers, etc. that document your beliefs. The letters can be addressed "To Whom It May Concern" and should state how the writer knows you, and how long and how closely. Those writing should attest to the sincerity of your beliefs.

There are two national organizations that have been in existence for some time whose purpose is to provide information and counsel to potential conscientious objectors.

The Interreligious Service Board has its office at 1601 Connecticut Ave., NW, Washington, DC 20009-1035, (202) 483-4510, and the Central Committee can be reached at (415) 566-0500.

A more local organization is Quaker House, 223 Hillside Ave., Fayetteville, NC 28301, (919) 323-3912.

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Let's Be Adamant

Progressive conservatism solves problems

Foundation for change lies in biblical examples

By Derek McCullers
Editorial Columnist

Some people have called the Bible a "two thousand year old tomb." It is true that the Bible is an old book. However, one will find that wisdom, knowledge, and life flows from it to this generation. Our generation is blinded unless we know the truth: that God, not a "big government," is the answer to the problems that ail society today.

I've said before that African Americans need God to lift them out of their situation; which some people made light of. However, this is a very serious subject.

Nobody can dispute the fact that throughout history blacks have been the victims of oppression. However, the solution (or end) of that oppression can, and will, be disputed.

African Americans can be paralleled to the story of the woman who had a spirit of infirmity in Luke chapter 13.

It deals with a woman who suffered from an illness for 18 years and "in no wise could lift herself up."

African-Americans today suffer from a spirit of infirmity, but Satan has blinded their eyes from the truth. Rather than blaming the devil for his work of deception and degradation, they blame the government or white people.

The story goes on to say that Jesus called her to him and said, "Woman thou art loosed from thine infirmity." Then he laid his hands on her and immediately, she was made straight.

We need to hear the call of Jesus. We need to get close to him so we can be touched by him and be given the power to stand against the deception and oppression of the devil.

Pastor Paul A. Thomas of Victory Christian Center once stated, "God does not dwell in movements. ... God does not dwell in these things. ... God dwells in us. God said, 'I will dwell in between the Cherubims.' "

The message here is that change will come through human beings carrying out the will of God.

Change will come when more people get involved in doing God's will, like Millard Fuller who founded Habitat for Humanity. Change will come through active churches like Evangel Church of God In Christ in Greensboro, that has a soup kitchen for the homeless and hungry.

These are ways that change will come. It will not come through a "big government," which will end up being a broke government. This will make America a broken country. I don't even think extreme liberals want that.

If one would study the Bible, they would see that God has tried the corporate approach. He tried having a chosen people, the children of Israel, but they blew it.

He delivered them out of captivity, but they couldn't organize themselves so he gave them Judges. They weren't satisfied with that so he gave them Kings. They couldn't deal with that so they were divided into 12 tribes.

Basically, they could not be responsible as a corporate people. For all their attempts to establish laws and doctrines, they couldn't execute his will on earth.

Therefore, God got out of the business of politics and of choosing and anointing rulers and kings. Instead, he came up with an individual approach.

He gave us one Lord and King who would sacrifice his life to give us victory over not the government but Satan, who is the origin of our social problems.

Some say Jesus was a liberal, but I say that he was more of a progressive conservative. He served as a role model. He healed the people and the multitudes. However, he said that we can have that power, too, if we just have faith and act upon it.

He didn't just give people a fish; he taught them how to fish. That's the plan of the progressive conservative. Although it has been characterized as uncaring, insensitive and apathetic, it's really common sense.

This is God's plan for ending oppression and social ills, and a "big government" is not the answer. That has been proven a failure.

Teacher share Costa Rican v

By Sherri Lynn Jernigan
Staff Writer

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As she is taken down into the catacombs of the asylum in which he has been imprisoned for the past eight years (behind inch-thick, bullet-proof glass), she is given strict instructions: she is not to pass him anything but paper—no pens, no pencils, no paper clips, no staples.

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Furthermore, Costa Rican families like to stay together. An individual doesn't leave home until he or she marries, and even the, the married couple tries to live near the parents, she added.

Manning also said the grandparents often move in with their children as they grow older, because the elders are greatly respected and are welcome in their children's homes.

"They [elders] represent maturity, wisdom and experience," Manning added.

The Costa Ricans additionally display strong emotions and passion, Manning said. The men are taught not to withhold feelings, she continued. As a result of such expressiveness, Costa Ricans love to dance, she said. Popular dances include the Salsa, the Lambada and the Merengue.

Manning said they feel that life is short, so everyone should be together and dance.

Another difference that contributed to the culture shock was the lack of private transportation, Manning said. Most families do not have cars and must rely on buses, but the buses in Costa Rica are inexpensive and dependable, she added.

Manning also said homecooked meals did not include typical North Carolina dishes, such as country ham and collards. Costa Ricans prepare many dishes like beef stews and steaks with black beans and rice, and especially arroz con pollo, all cooked with a spice called cilantro, she said.

In addition, the teachers arrived in Costa Rica during the rainy season, Manning said. The sun shone brightly sending hot rays to Costa Rica every morning, but every afternoon clouds formed with heavy rainfall following, she said.

And after each sunny day with temperatures around 70 degrees, the cold night air, of about 40 degrees, would hit, she continued. Manning said the change in weather conditions kept the teachers confused.

Manning said after the first two weeks, the teachers adjusted to the various culture changes and began to appreciate their stay in Costa Rica.

"I think it was a positive experience for all of them," Manning said.

Manning stressed that Costa Rica is a progressing country inhabited by people who believe in the importance of education.

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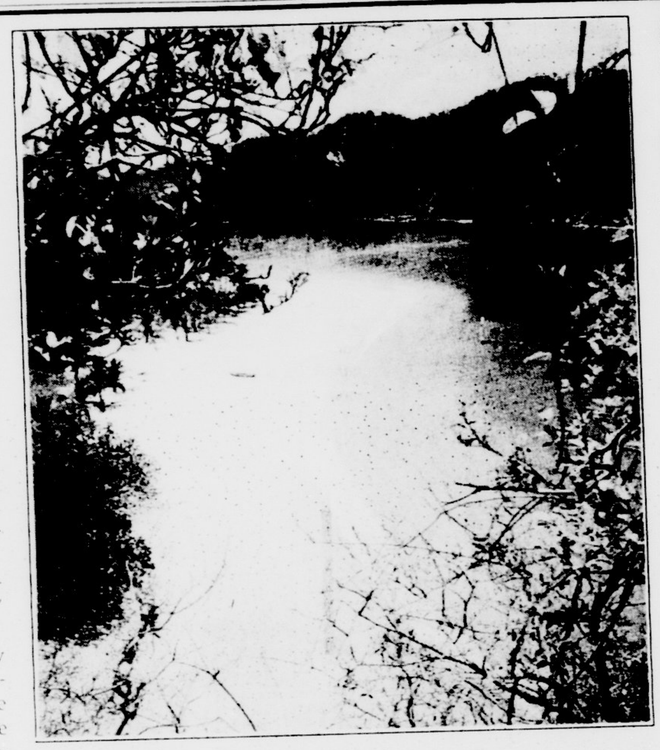

East Carolina University offers an excellent education program in various countries abroad. Shown here is a Costa Rican beach front.

Students ignore dangers of sun

By Sherri Lynn Jernigan
Staff Writer

Suntans can kill you.

Although the best sun is no sun, most ECU students do not want to be told not to lie in the sun, Suzanne Kellerman, health educator at the Student Health Center, said.

Suntanning, a social event on the ECU "beaches," provides the opportunity to meet people, play sports, drink beer and listen to music, she said. Besides, nobody wants to be deathly pale, but everybody wants a healthy tan, she added.

"But pale is healthy," she said.

Kellerman provided information from brochures, medical books and magazines which explain the sun's damaging results and give safer sunning advice. She also said ECU's health education department presents various programs on safer sunning around the campus.

What are the results of too much sun?

A suntan, a sign of exposure to the sun, is a defense mechanism. When exposed to the sun, the body covers itself with a dark pigment called melanin to keep UV radiation from doing harm; however, once a suntan appears, damage has already been done.

Sunbathing increases the number of freckles or moles and causes premature wrinkling by destroying the elastic fibers that keep skin young and smooth.

Suntanning may also cause tinea versicolor, a fungus infection that thrives on heat and moisture which appears as round, yellow patches on the skin, and herpes outbreaks, such as cold sores around the lips.

Ultimately, overexposure to the sun may lead to cataracts, partial blindness, skin cancer and a crippled immune system, in which the body loses its disease-fighting capacity.

Becoming the most common form of disease among Americans is skin cancer. About 500,000 Americans are diagnosed with skin cancer each year, and about 5,500 people die with the disease. By the year 2,000, statistics show that one out of 90 Americans will develop malignant melanoma, the most serious form of skin cancer. An estimate shows that some form of skin cancer will strike 40 to 50 percent of Americans who live to be 65 or older at least once.

Malignant Melanoma appears after the sun's ultraviolet rays injure the cells in the outer layer of the skin, the epidermis. After one hour in the sun, the skin cells cannot produce anymore melanin to form the protective layer in the form of a suntan. Skin stops tanning after and hour and only becomes thickened, damaged and wrinkled, although wrinkles may not show until the ages between 30 and 40.

Melanoma has a strong tendency to spread to other parts of the

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FEATURES

Teacher shares Costa Rican visit

By Sherri Lynn Jernigan
Staff Writer

Hola, amigo! Como estas?

Fifteen North Carolina public school teachers said these words on a daily basis last summer on a five-week program in Costa Rica.

Raquel Tano Manning, of ECU's foreign language department, who headed the program said the teachers came back with more self-confidence in speaking Spanish and with an appreciation for the Spanish culture and environment.

Manning said though she knew the teachers would enjoy their learning venture, she was initially concerned with the "Tar Heels" adjusting to some of the Hispanic ways.

She said two or three of the teachers went to Costa Rica expecting the same conveniences and comforts of home but found some minor differences.

For example, in the United States people learn to be independent and often desire to be alone, without the responsibilities of marriage or children, Manning said. And in many cases, after individuals attend college they do not go back to their homes or hometowns to live, she continued.

However, she said the people of Costa Rica are family oriented. When a Costa Rican says the word family, he or she is referring to the immediate family and the aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, cousins and especially the grandparents., she explained.

Furthermore, Costa Rican families like to stay together. An individual doesn't leave home until he or she marries, and even the, the married couple tries to live near the parents, she added.

Manning also said the grandparents often move in with their children as they grow older, because the elders are greatly respected and are welcome in their children's homes.

"They [elders] represent maturity, wisdom and experience," Manning added.

The Costa Ricans additionally display strong emotions and passion, Manning said. The men are taught not to withhold feelings, she continued. As a result of such expressiveness, Costa Ricans love to dance, she said. Popular dances include the Salsa, the Lambada and the Merengue.

Manning said they feel that life is short, so everyone should be together and dance.

Another difference that contributed to the culture shock was the lack of private transportation, Manning said. Most families do not have cars and must rely on buses, but the buses in Costa Rica are inexpensive and dependable, she added.

Manning also said homecooked meals did not include typical North Carolina dishes, such as country ham and collards. Costa Ricans prepare many dishes like beef stews and steaks with black beans and rice, and especially arroz con pollo, all cooked with a spice called cilantro, she said.

In addition, the teachers arrived in Costa Rica during the rainy season, Manning said. The sun shone brightly sending hot rays to Costa Rica every morning, but every afternoon clouds formed with heavy rainfall following, she said.

And after each sunny day with temperatures around 70 degrees, the cold night air, of about 40 degrees, would hit, she continued. Manning said the change in weather conditions kept the teachers confused.

Manning said after the first two weeks, the teachers adjusted to the various culture changes and began to appreciate their stay in Costa Rica.

"I think it was a positive experience for all of them," Manning said.

Manning stressed that Costa Rica is a progressing country inhabited by people who believe in the importance of education.

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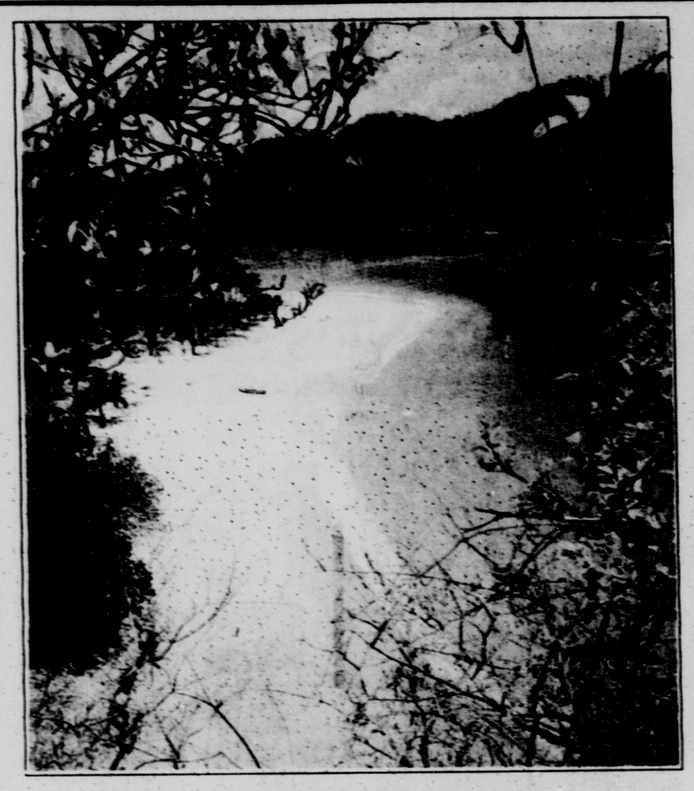

East Carolina University offers an excellent education program in various countries abroad. Shown here is a Costa Rican beach front.

Students ignore dangers of sun

By Sherri Lynn Jernigan
Staff Writer

Suntans can kill you.

Although the best sun is no sun, most ECU students do not want to be told not to lie in the sun, Suzanne Kellerman, health educator at the Student Health Center, said.

Suntanning, a social event on the ECU "beaches," provides the opportunity to meet people, play sports, drink beer and listen to music, she said. Besides, nobody wants to be deathly pale, but everybody wants a healthy tan, she added.

"But pale is healthy," she said.

Kellerman provided information from brochures, medical books and magazines which explain the sun's damaging results and give safer sunning advice. She also said ECU's health education department presents various programs on safer sunning around the campus.

What are the results of too much sun?

A suntan, a sign of exposure to the sun, is a defense mechanism. When exposed to the sun, the body covers itself with a dark pigment called melanin to keep UV radiation from doing harm; however, once a suntan appears, damage has already been done.

Sunbathing increases the number of freckles or moles and causes premature wrinkling by destroying the elastic fibers that keep skin young and smooth.

Suntanning may also cause tinea versicolor, a fungus infection that thrives on heat and moisture which appears as round, yellow patches on the skin, and herpes outbreaks, such as cold sores around the lips.

Ultimately, overexposure to the sun may lead to cataracts, partial blindness, skin cancer and a crippled immune system, in which the body loses its disease-fighting capacity.

Becoming the most common form of disease among Americans is skin cancer. About 500,000 Americans are diagnosed with skin cancer each year, and about 5,500 people die with the disease. By the year 2,000, statistics show that one out of 90 Americans will develop malignant melanoma, the most serious form of skin cancer. An estimate shows that some form of skin cancer will strike 40 to 50 percent of Americans who live to be 65 or older at least once.

Malignant Melanoma appears after the sun's ultraviolet rays injure the cells in the outer layer of the skin, the epidermis. After one hour in the sun, the skin cells cannot produce anymore melanin to form the protective layer in the form of a suntan. Skin stops tanning after and hour and only becomes thickened, damaged and wrinkled, although wrinkles may not show until the ages between 30 and 40.

Melanoma has a strong tendency to spread to other parts of the

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'Lambs' hailed as greatest movie in years

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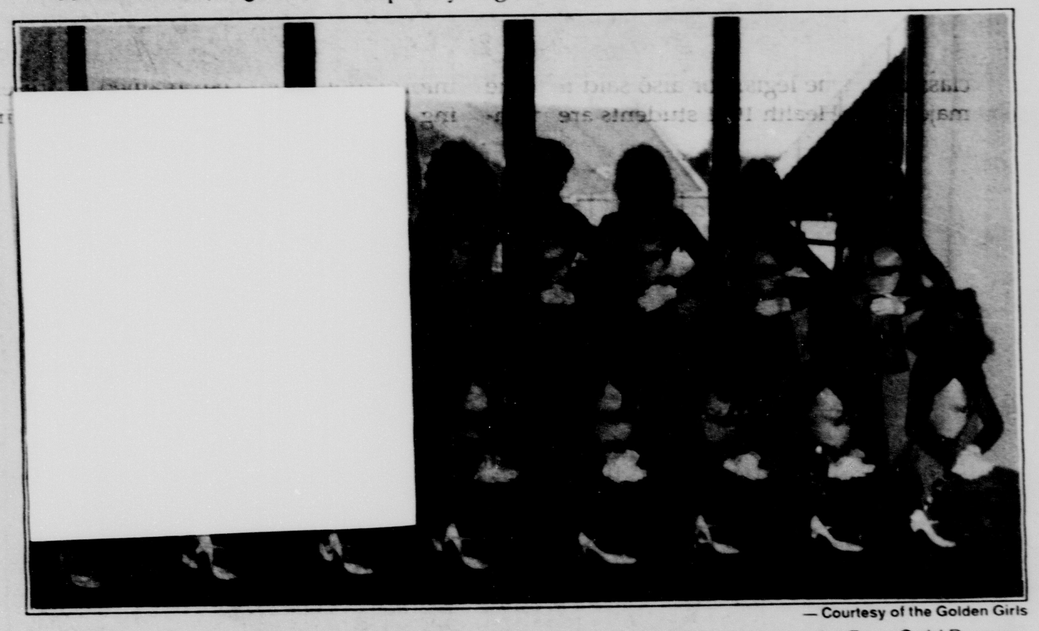

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CONGRATULATIONS to the new Gamma Gamma Pledges of Pi Kappa Phi. President - Douglas Littiken, Vice President - Scott Curtis, Treasurer - Rob Jones, Secretary - Brad Davis, Historian - David Littlewood, Energizer Bunny - David Gilbert, Other Novices - Steve Butcher, Mike Mullock, Christian Conrad, Brandon Byers, Jim Holloman and Rob Jones.

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CONGRATULATIONS to the new President of Pi Delta (Jennifer Schuster) and the fine women of this sorority at E.C.U. You are really making big strides at E.C.U. Hard work really paid off girls. Also, good luck Jennifer with the E.C.U. Softball team. "Dad"

CHI OMEGA: We had a great time at the pre-downtown at Sharky's. Hope you didn't get too much spilled on you at the band party. Love, Alpha Sig.

PIKES: Get your money in for Greek Week. NOW!

LAMBDA CHI, KAPPA SIG, CHI O, ALPHA XI DELTA, ALPHA DELTA PHI AND TRI SIG: We had a killer time. Let's do it again. Alpha Sig.

ΔXA: We had a blast Friday night with the veldt! Thanks for a great time! Love, the Sigmas.

ELIZABETH BLACK: We're really sorry you hurt your knee in our game! Hope you feel better soon! Love, the Sigmas.

THETA CHI'S: I had a great time Valentine Thursday night at Sharky's. You guys are so nice and fun to party with! Love, Pi Delta #8.

TO THE BROTHERS of Delta Chi Alpha: Congratulations on your new fraternity! We wish you the best of luck in the future and are behind you 100%. Love, the sisters of PI DELTA.

KA AND SORORITIES: Can't wait until tonight. It's gonna be a blast. PIKES.

PIKES: Nu pledges get your act together and keep the traditions. PIKES FULL THROTTLE.

QUESTION? Why did Fred R. cross the road?

KA'S AND ΠKA'S: We're looking forward to throwing down tonight! The PI KAPPS.

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CONGRATULATIONS to the 1990 I.F.C. Executive officers on their Southeast Fraternity Council Honorable Mention Award. Randy, Marty, John, Carlton and Cale. You did a great job!

SIGMA NU BROTHERS: Let's get this straight - Was the Sigma Nu College of Chapters Conference in Rock Hill, S.C. supposed to be business or personal? Our theme wasn't really "S#!T FACED AT DENNY'S" was it? Ron Harris, our fearless Commander, paid how much for an order of heartburn? Jeff Mahoney - I can't believe they threw a stink bomb in the hospitable room in the hotel! Tom Glass - Were the souvenirs from "The Money" really necessary? hell, we don't even have a pool table! Harold Cline - Did you really serve in the Marine Corps? Jeff Dennis - Where did those crackers come from? And Ted Dunlap - Why didn't you offer to let us stay at your house instead of that cheesy Ramada Inn? Enough said, now everyone get psyched for rush next week.

DELTA SIGS: We CAN'T wait until the conclave social with you guys on Saturday! It's gonna be a BLAST!

SIGMA NU MID SEMESTER RUSH will be held in Mendenhall Student Center Multipurpose room from 8-10 p.m. next Tuesday and Wednesday night. Tuesday will be sub night with the lovely ladies of PD and Wednesday will be pizza night with the sisters of AP. Look for more information in next Tuesday's East Carolinian or call Tom at 752-5279 or the EN house at 752-9607.

THETA CHI: We had a great time at the pre-downtown. Let's get together real soon. Love, the Delta Zetas.

PERSONALS

ATTN ΔXA: The Veldt was kickin' and I can safely say we raged once again. Get ready to party again Thursday with Johnnie Quest. The Kappa Sigma Brothers and Pledges.

ATTN CHI OMEGA: Remember that social way way back?!! . . . Yeah, that one! We all had a blast and want to repeat the pounding. Love, the Brothers and Pledges of Kappa Sigma.

ATTN AZΔ AND EEE: We know it's late but thanks again for the help during rush. Yes, we're slack but better late than never. Love, the Brothers and Pledges of Kappa Sigma.

CONGRATULATIONS to Will Faircloth, Scott Mulwee , Matt Westmoreland, T.J. Powers, O.J. Carolan, Robert Senseny, Robert Hooten, Johnnie Brown, John Best, Doug Drum, Casey Matt, Robert Plumb, Gary Savoie, Steve West, Chris Sauls, Blaine Brawley, Chuck Hay, and Preston Aldridge on becoming New Kappa Sigma Brothers. It's about damn time! Love, the Brothers and Pledges of Kappa Sigma.

TKE: We had a killer time on Thursday the 31st with the Veldt. We also had fun on Thursday the 14th with the M-80's. Thanks for having us over. Now, if you guys want to have a killer time on Thursday the 18th at the Attic, give us a call. Sigma Pi.

ZETAS: The pre-downtown at Flamingo's was cool. Whenever or where ever you girls feel like hanging out, just give us a call. Sigma Pi.

BLAIR SKINNER: Thanks for the cheap wine, seafood quiche and the Barry Manilow montage. Try not to keep me up so late next time. Love, Butch.

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There will be a meeting of all GROUP LEADERS of East Carolina Friends on Sunday, February 24, at 6:00 p.m. in Mendenhall 247. This meeting is very important! If, for any reason, you cannot attend, call Susan Moran at 830-1639.

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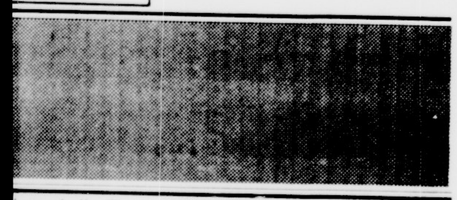

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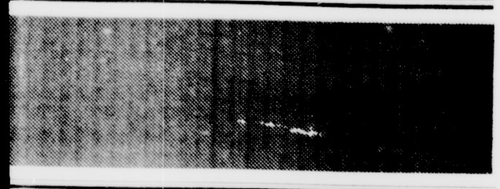

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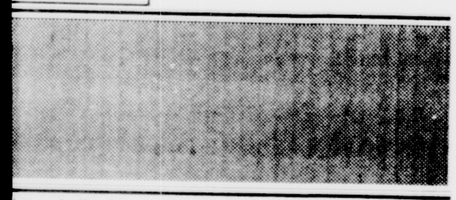

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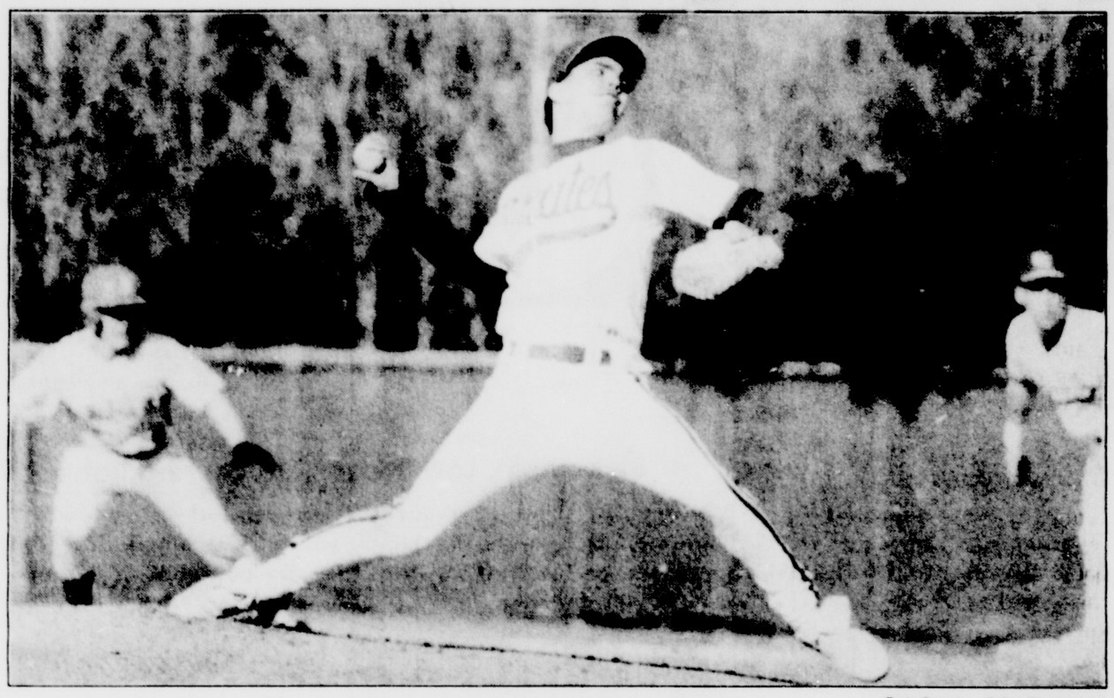

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In the fifth, Lowery chased Pirate starter John White with a sliding double to usher Johnny Beck in from the ECU bullpen. Beck, a freshmen, was met with the heart of the Barton lineup in his collegiate pitching debut.

Barton's Mike Rigsbee dropped a single into shallow center field to score Lowery. Dexter Harris, who hit a double in the third, followed with a lifting fly into the sailing wind which cleared the fence for a two-run home run shot. The fifth inning surge gave Barton a 6-2 lead.

ECU's Glynn Beck, the designated hitter, used the wind to his advantage as well with a homer to right in the bottom of the seventh, but the Pirates did not put the offense into gear until the final bat.

Rallying with three runs in the bottom of the ninth inning, the Pirates had the bases loaded before a pop-up ended the game.

Greenville native Tom Moye led off the final at bat with a stand-up double before teammates David Leisten and Berry Narron came aboard to load the bases. ECU third basemen John Gast then nailed a two-RBI double to the gap in right center.

Following a walk to catcher Tommy Eason to again load the bases, Short scorched a shot to the shortshop which scored Narron, the Pirates final run. With two outs, Beck reached base after being hit by a pitch, to load the bases for the third time of the inning.

ECU left players on base in the third, sixth, seventh and eighth innings while the Pirates' three errors lead to two Barton runs. The most costly of the errors came in the top of the ninth as reliever Lyle Hartgrove fielded a Barton bunt and had an errant throw to first base which sailed into foul territory.

The error allowed Barton's David McDonald and Wayne Sullivan to advance to third and second, respectively. Hartgrove was replaced, after throwing one pitch, with Jim Ambrosius.

Lowery answered with a sacrifice fly to score Sullivan, to make the score 7-3.

Lacrosse team looks ahead to new season

By Earle McAuley
Staff Writer

A one hundred mile an hour shot, a bone jarring hit, a clear and three seconds later the ball is at the other end of the field as the offense sets up another scoring attempt.

The sport of lacrosse combines the speed of soccer with the violence of hockey. It is considered the fastest game on foot, and anyone who is familiar with the sport will support that theory.

The origins of lacross date back to the American and Canadian Indians who used to play for days at a time using a deer skull as a ball. It was not uncommon for players to die during such contests.

Lacrosse is still the national sport of Canada.

It is generally considered a northeastern sport, played mainly in New England and as far south as Virginia. It is, however, beginning to spread to some universities and their communities.

A lacrosse team consists of three attackmen (offensive players), three midfielders (both offense and defense), three defensemen and a goalie.

The rules of the game make it very similar to hockey in that a penalty box is used, and man down situations are very prevalent.

The history of the team at ECU began with a varsity squad in the 1960s and' 70s. The varsity team was disbanded in the mid-'70s, and there was a void until the '80s, when a few men formed a club team.

The club has improved every year since its inception, and this year they joined a league which consists of 25 teams and five divisions. Included in ECU's division are Old Dominion, William and Mary, Virginia Commonwealth and the University of Richmond.

"It's a tough division, but we'll do well," said senior midfielder Kelly Hoyt.

The team has high hopes of doing well with their combination of tested veterans and very talented newcomers.

Hoyt and senior Brandin Thorne lead the Bucs. The two give the team an explosive offensive combination and leadership.

Other key players for the Pirates this year include senior attackman Bobby Hodes, who offers a good stick and guidance to that position and sophomore defenseman Jeff Gauland.

The team will rely on junior Phil Truit in the goal while expecting many things from rookies Larry Fortier and J.P. Reynolds.

White to lead ECU pitching

By Matt Mumma
Sports Editor

As the 1991 baseball season begins many new faces will emerge as leaders on the team as a result of last year's graduation.

In the pitching staff, two top pitchers, Tim Langdon and Jonathan Jenkins, graduated and left a large gap to fill. The most qualified candidate to take over the number one pitching position is senior John White.

"John White is our most experienced pitcher by far," head coach Gary Overton said. "He is coming off of a stellar sophomore season as well as a fine season last year."

Last season White pitched in 65 innings and had a 3.44 ERA. He had a 7-3 record that, athough not overly amazing, served as a training grounds for this season.

"He pitched more as a freshman than most young guys get a chance to pitch," Coach Overton said.

"If the season were to start today, John White would be the starter on opening day based on his experience," Coach Overton said.

White is in his final year of eligibility at ECU and, no doubt, expects to be called upon in the

John White

big games this season. Yet, handles his responsibility with ease.

"It is not a real big deal," White said. "I had an off year last year, and this season I need to come out a do what is expected of me."

White's first big challenge will be starting in the season opener, but he is looking forward to it.

"I've always wanted to pitch the first game," White said. "I've been here for four years now, and I've put all my efforts into pitching, so it is a good feeling to know that I am needed."

White is projected to be the pitcher to watch in the Colonial Athletic Association, which is not surprising since he is pitching for last years CAA champions.

As a senior pitcher on the number one team in the CAA, White should get much exposure if his season turns out well for him. This will be the last year for professional scouts to come to the games to see if White has the mettle to play in the big leagues.

Rowing harder than appearance suggests

By Nicole Pratt
Special to the East Carolinian

The sport of rowing dates back to past rowers of the 18 century in London. According to Tom Allan, the ECU Rowing/Crew coach, they used lightweight boats as taxis and for speed races so they decided to build boats specifically for racing.

Allan said the Americans picked it up easily in the Northeast, and rowing was predominately an Ivy League sport. An American invented the sliding seat, and thus, the sport went from an arm and back sport to a leg sport.

"Rowing is not a Southern sport, so many people down here are unfamiliar with it," he said. "That will change soon, though, because more and more Southern schools are picking it up."

The ECU Crew Team shares a boathouse with the Pamlico Rowing Club in Washington. The team practices six days a week and rows five miles a day, John Juzaitis said.

Rowing is a total body workout, equivalent to cross-country skiing. Rowers are among the top athletes in the world. Every muscle is used: the legs for the initial drive, then the back and then the arms for the finish of the stroke, Allan said.

Sandra Carter, who has been a member for about one year, said the hardest thing about rowing is building up endurance.

David Burnette, a member since September, agreed that for those who are not in shape, endurance is the hardest part; for those who are in shape, learning the technique takes awhile.

Burnette said some have told him rowing looks easy. Allan said the rowers who look the smoothest, like the Harvard men, look like they're not working.

"It looks effortless," Allan said. "You can't see the agony that really goes on."

Burnette said one of his fraternity brothers took him out and he, too, fell in love with rowing.

When the team is not in the water, they workout on weights, jog and use the ergometer machine (a simulated rowing machine with a fly wheel). The "erg" helps you build up your endurance, and is harder than actual rowing, Juzaitis said.

The ECU Crew Team participated in the Head-of-the-Occoquan (Northern Virginia) race in November. Three of their four doubles placed first, third and fourth.

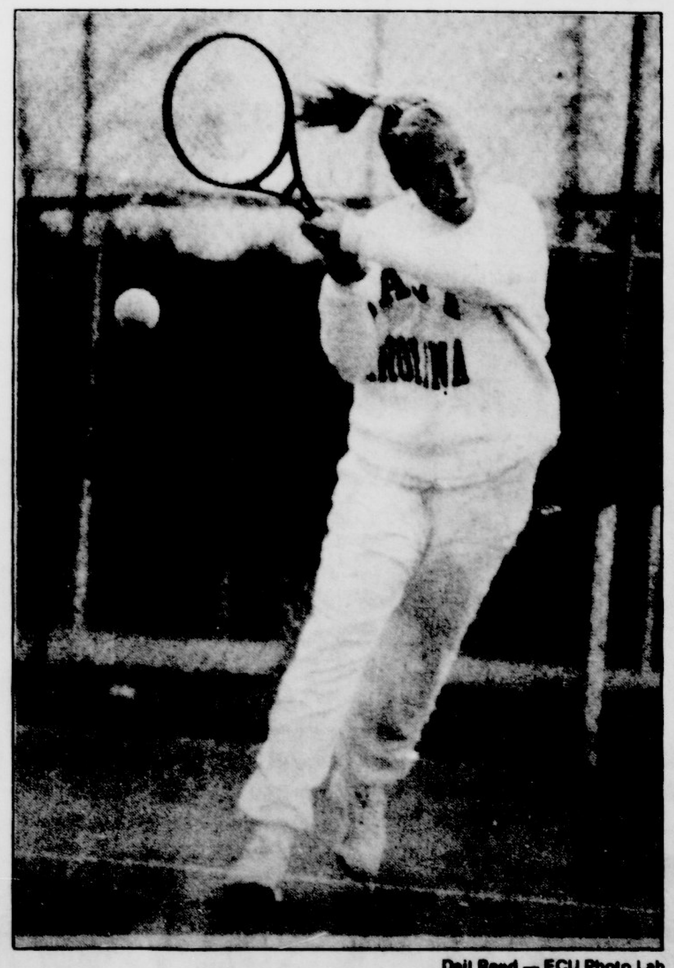
The team has six races set up for the spring: a scrimmage against Skidmore (PA) College, the Augusta Invitational Regatta, the Duke Regatta, a race with UNC and the SIRA (Southern Invitational Rowing Association) Championships in Tennessee.

Most races are sponsored by the U.S. Rowing Association, so participants must be members, Burnette said. Everyone on the ECU team is a member.

Juzaitis said everyone eats a lot of pasta the night before a race because carbohydrates convert energy quickly. It takes about seven years to prepare a top athlete for his maximum potential, Allan said.

Rowing is a growing sport. Allan said that 10 years ago, the USRA had about 10,000 members whereas now they have about 30,000.

Allan does not get paid to coach, but he loves it anyway. "It gives me a lot of good feelings," he said.



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Junior captain Jen Harvey returns a serve in last Friday's match against the College of Charleston. Harvey lost 6-3,4-6 and 5-7.

R.S. basketball prepares for playoffs

By David Gaskins
Recreational Services

As action in Intramural Basketball nears the final week of the regular season, rim bounces and aerial displays have taken a variety of twists and turns.

The Women's Gold features the weaponary of the Golden Girls, led by Lori Rose, Amy Pierce and Angela Robbins.

However, lurking in the wings are a host of eager challengers with Clueless and Rosie Thompson at the forefront.

The Lethal Injections, fueled by Kris Waters, Kristin Rosignolo and Kim Floyd, and ECU Volleyball, with Shannon McKay and Suzanne Ussell are also in the championship hunt.

Monday nights have witnessed enthusiasm and excitement as the Sorority division begins to heat up. Alpha Delta Pi, with the tough inside play of Cara Vallas and the outside bombing of Kelly Morton, appear to be the team to beat.

However, the ladies of Chi Omega have a host of fine shooters and a quick guard in Julie Pope.

Also, Sigma Sigma Sigma is making a bid for their third consecutive sorority title with Holly Holland and Michelle Klun leading their attack.

Despite the loss of several key big men, Sigma Phi Epsilon has shot to the top in the Fraternity Gold rankings behind the guard play of Joel Saunders, Rob Evans and Jeff Emerson.

Those who wish to topple Sig Ep from their perch are capable and many.

Phi Tau seeks the opportunity to atone for an early season loss as well as a loss in the 3-on-3 basketball fall tourney. Kevin Satterfield, Bob Durda, Todd Wilson and John Dickinson represent a strong contingent of scoring machines.

However the ultimate scoring machine may be TKE's Brett Schecter, who may just lead his brothers to the promised land.

Chris Stewart leads an unheralded Pi Kappa Phi team that may also make some rumblings in the playoffs.

The Fraternity Purple division has provided both lopsided scores and some wild finishes as teams jockey for playoff position.

Defending champions Pi Kappa Alpha are directed by Steven Cowin and Mickey Whaley.

The men of Sigma Nu are setting new standards of soft defensive play as they implement their Loyola Marymount-style offense.

The Men's Gold has featured numerous fast-break action as the top teams prepare for the quest for the title.

Darrell Griffin's Strictly Business is the favorite of many after capturing the 3-on-3 title in the fall and adding several players to their already powerful roster.

The Business approach can attack with the unlimited shooting range of Dean Alley and Brett McKeithan, as well the smooth play of Mark Hoch, ECU Intramurals' answer to Magic Johnson.

However, rumor has it that several members of last year's champions have reunited and pulled from other rosters in an attempt to retain the title as the Defending National Champs (DNC).

Steve Maxwell of "The Fellows" leads the attack as the quickest point guard at ECU.

Other leading contenders include Too Short, with the bruising inside play of Cliff Purcell, and Mark Weatherford, Sean "The Rocket" Lynch's Tuff Crew, Beef or Balling, which features Chad Grier and Grant Lowe from last year's runner-ups and Scott Scheckler's Chaminade.

Also hiding out on Wednesday nights is word of Bryan Haywood and Clayton Driver's A Taste of Chocolate.

The teams in Men's Purple division has the largest percentage of the 154 teams involved in Intramural Basketball.

Among those expected to be elevated to the Gold playoffs are Just Houzin' Gold featuring exceptional ballhandling of Dennis Morgan and the speed of Greg Stewart.

Other Gold-caliber teams include Blazing the Trail with Tom Scott and Greg Brandison's Bulls. Z's, team with the power inside play of John Allen and Pete Zophy and Kurk Seekford, hope to parlay their Jamboree and Situation Tournament success into Gold.

A semi-finalist from last year, the L.A. Bad Boys with Kevin Hyman and Brandon Eleby's mercilous outside attack have been hiding in the Purple division while Al Pannell and Quinton Manley lead the opponents into Mass Confusion as their team appears headed for Gold success.

The direction of the Purple playoffs is difficult to forecast because it appears relatively unknown teams will be in the hunt.

Stay tuned as the action in Christenbury and Minges reaches the fever of March madness with its quickly approaching playoff tournament.

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Barton answered with three runs in the third, fueled by a two RBI single from Steve Lowery, to lead 3-2.

In the fifth, Lowery chased Pirate starter John White with a sliding double to usher Johnny Beck in from the ECU bullpen. Beck, a freshmen, was met with the heart of the Barton lineup in his collegiate pitching debut.

Barton's Mike Rigsbee dropped a single into shallow center field to score Lowery. Dexter Harris, who hit a double in the third, followed with a lifting fly into the sailing wind which cleared the fence for a two-run home run shot. The fifth inning surge gave Barton a 6-2 lead.

ECU's Glynn Beck, the designated hitter, used the wind to his advantage as well with a homer to right in the bottom of the seventh, but the Pirates did not put the offense into gear until the final bat.

Rallying with three runs in the bottom of the ninth inning, the Pirates had the bases loaded before a pop-up ended the game.

Greenville native Tom Moye led off the final at bat with a stand-up double before teammates David Leisten and Berry Narron came aboard to load the bases. ECU third basemen John Gast then nailed a two-RBI double to the gap in right center.

Following a walk to catcher Tommy Eason to again load the bases, Short scorched a shot to the shortshop which scored Narron, the Pirates final run. With two outs, Beck reached base after being hit by a pitch, to load the bases for the third time of the inning.

ECU left players on base in the third, sixth, seventh and eighth innings while the Pirates' three errors lead to two Barton runs. The most costly of the errors came in the top of the ninth as reliever Lyle Hartgrove fielded a Barton bunt and had an errant throw to first base which sailed into foul territory.

The error allowed Barton's David McDonald and Wayne Sullivan to advance to third and second, respectively. Hartgrove was replaced, after throwing one pitch, with Jim Ambrosius.

Lowery answered with a sacrifice fly to score Sullivan, to make the score 7-3.

Lacrosse team looks ahead to new season

By Earle McAuley
Staff Writer

A one hundred mile an hour shot, a bone jarring hit, a clear and three seconds later the ball is at the other end of the field as the offense sets up another scoring attempt.

The sport of lacrosse combines the speed of soccer with the violence of hockey. It is considered the fastest game on foot, and anyone who is familiar with the sport will support that theory.

The origins of lacross date back to the American and Canadian Indians who used to play for days at a time using a deer skull as a ball. It was not uncommon for players to die during such contests.

Lacrosse is still the national sport of Canada.

It is generally considered a northeastern sport, played mainly in New England and as far south as Virginia. It is, however, beginning to spread to some universities and their communities.

A lacrosse team consists of three attackmen (offensive players), three midfielders (both offense and defense), three defensemen and a goalie.

The rules of the game make it very similar to hockey in that a penalty box is used, and man down situations are very prevalent.

The history of the team at ECU began with a varsity squad in the 1960s and 70s. The varsity team was disbanded in the mid-70s, and there was a void until the '80s, when a few men formed a club team.

The club has improved every year since its inception, and this year they joined a league which consists of 25 teams and five divisions. Included in ECU's division are Old Dominion, William and Mary, Virginia Commonwealth and the University of Richmond.

"It's a tough division, but we'll do well," said senior midfielder Kelly Hoyt.

The team has high hopes of doing well with their combination of tested veterans and very talented newcomers.

Hoyt and senior Brandin Thorne lead the Bucs. The two give the team an explosive offensive combination and leadership.

Other key players for the Pirates this year include senior attackman Bobby Hodes, who offers a good stick and guidance to that position and sophomore defenseman Jeff Gauland.

The team will rely on junior Phil Truit in the goal while expecting many things from rookies Larry Fortier and J.P. Reynolds.

White to lead ECU pitching

By Matt Mumma
Sports Editor

John White

As the 1991 baseball season begins many new faces will emerge as leaders on the team as a result of last year's graduation.

In the pitching staff, two top pitchers, Tim Langdon and Jonathan Jenkins, graduated and left a large gap to fill. The most qualified candidate to take over the number one pitching position is senior John White.

"John White is our most experienced pitcher by far," head coach Gary Overton said. "He is coming off of a stellar sophomore season as well as a fine season last year."

Last season White pitched in 65 innings and had a 3.44 ERA. He had a 7-3 record that, athough not overly amazing, served as a training grounds for this season.

"He pitched more as a freshman than most young guys get a chance to pitch," Coach Overton said.

"If the season were to start today, John White would be the starter on opening day based on his experience," Coach Overton said.

White is in his final year of eligibility at ECU and, no doubt, expects to be called upon in the big games this season. Yet, handles his responsibility with ease.

"It is not a real big deal," White said. "I had an off year last year, and this season I need to come out a do what is expected of me."

White's first big challenge will be starting in the season opener, but he is looking forward to it.

"I've always wanted to pitch the first game," White said. "I've been here for four years now, and I've put all my efforts into pitching, so it is a good feeling to know that I am needed."

White is projected to be the pitcher to watch in the Colonial Athletic Association, which is not surprising since he is pitching for last years CAA champions.

As a senior pitcher on the number one team in the CAA, White should get much exposure if his season turns out well for him. This will be the last year for professional scouts to come to the games to see if White has the mettle to play in the big leagues.

Rowing harder than appearance suggests

By Nicole Pratt
Special to the East Carolinian

The sport of rowing dates back to past rowers of the 18 century in London. According to Tom Allan, the ECU Rowing/Crew coach, they used lightweight boats as taxis and for speed races so they decided to build boats specifically for racing.

Allan said the Americans picked it up easily in the Northeast, and rowing was predominately an Ivy League sport. An American invented the sliding seat, and thus, the sport went from an arm and back sport to a leg sport.

"Rowing is not a Southern sport, so many people down here are unfamiliar with it," he said. "That will change soon, though, because more and more Southern schools are picking it up."

The ECU Crew Team shares a boathouse with the Pamlico Rowing Club in Washington. The team practices six days a week and rows five miles a day, John Juzaitis said.

Rowing is a total body workout, equivalent to cross-country skiing. Rowers are among the top athletes in the world. Every muscle is used: the legs for the initial drive, then the back and then the arms for the finish of the stroke, Allan said.

Sandra Carter, who has been a member for about one year, said the hardest thing about rowing is building up endurance.

David Burnette, a member since September, agreed that for those who are not in shape, endurance is the hardest part; for those who are in shape, learning the technique takes awhile.

Burnette said some have told him rowing looks easy. Allan said the rowers who look the smoothest, like the Harvard men, look like they're not working.

"It looks effortless," Allan said. "You can't see the agony that really goes on."

Burnette said one of his fraternity brothers took him out and he, too, fell in love with rowing.

When the team is not in the water, they workout on weights, jog and use the ergometer machine (a simulated rowing machine with a fly wheel). The "erg" helps you build up your endurance, and is harder than actual rowing, Juzaitis said.

The ECU Crew Team participated in the Head-of-the-Occoquan (Northern Virginia) race in November. Three of their four doubles placed first, third and fourth.

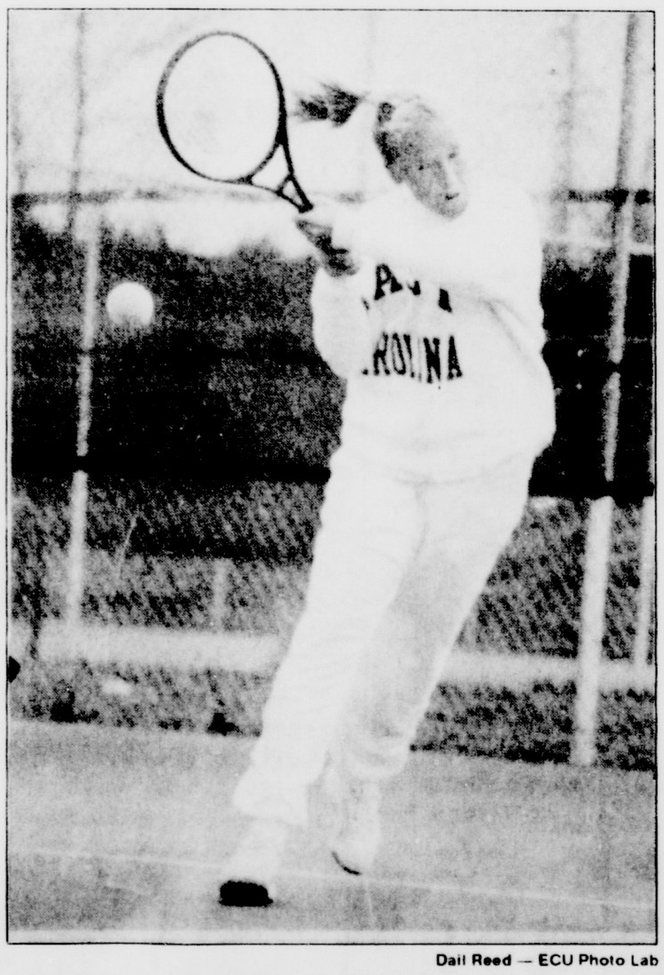
The team has six races set up for the spring: a scrimmage against Skidmore (PA) College, the Augusta Invitational Regatta, the Duke Regatta, a race with UNC and the SIRA (Southern Invitational Rowing Association) Championships in Tennessee.

Most races are sponsored by the U.S. Rowing Association, so participants must be members, Burnette said. Everyone on the ECU team is a member.

Juzaitis said everyone eats a lot of pasta the night before a race because carbohydrates convert energy quickly. It takes about seven years to prepare a top athlete for his maximum potential, Allan said.

Rowing is a growing sport. Allan said that 10 years ago, the USRA had about 10,000 members whereas now they have about 30,000.

Allan does not get paid to coach, but he loves it anyway. "It gives me a lot of good feelings," he said.



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Junior captain Jen Harvey returns a serve in last Friday's match against the College of Charleston. Harvey lost 6-3, 4-6 and 5-7.

R.S. basketball prepares for playoffs

By David Gaskins
Recreational Services

As action in Intramural Basketball nears the final week of the regular season, rim bounces and aerial displays have taken a variety of twists and turns.

The Women's Gold features the weaponary of the Golden Girls, led by Lori Rose, Amy Pierce and Angela Robbins.

However, lurking in the wings are a host of eager challengers with Clueless and Rosie Thompson at the forefront.

The Lethal Injections, fueled by Kris Waters, Kristin Rosignolo and Kim Floyd, and ECU Volleyball, with Shannon McKay and Suzanne Ussell are also in the championship hunt.

Monday nights have witnessed enthusiasm and excitement as the Sorority division begins to heat up. Alpha Delta Pi, with the tough inside play of Cara Vallas and the outside bombing of Kelly Morton, appear to be the team to beat.

However, the ladies of Chi Omega have a host of fine shooters and a quick guard in Julie Pope.

Also, Sigma Sigma Sigma is making a bid for their third consecutive sorority title with Holly Holland and Michelle Klun leading their attack.

Despite the loss of several key big men, Sigma Phi Epsilon has shot to the top in the Fraternity Gold rankings behind the guard play of Joel Saunders, Rob Evans and Jeff Emerson.

Those who wish to topple Sig Ep from their perch are capable and many.

Phi Tau seeks the opportunity to atone for an early season loss as well as a loss in the 3-on-3 basketball fall tourney. Kevin Satterfield, Bob Durda, Todd Wilson and John Dickinson represent a strong contingent of scoring machines.

However the ultimate scoring machine may be TKE's Brett Schecter, who may just lead his brothers to the promised land.

Chris Stewart leads an unheralded Pi Kappa Phi team that may also make some rumblings in the playoffs.

The Fraternity Purple division has provided both lopsided scores and some wild finishes as teams jockey for playoff position.

Defending champions Pi Kappa Alpha are directed by Steven Cowin and Mickey Whaley.

The men of Sigma Nu are setting new standards of soft defensive play as they implement their Loyola Marymount-style offense.

The Men's Gold has featured numerous fast-break action as the top teams prepare for the quest for the title.

Darrell Griffin's Strictly Business is the favorite of many after capturing the 3-on-3 title in the fall and adding several players to their already powerful roster.

The Business approach can attack with the unlimited shooting range of Dean Alley and Brett McKeithan, as well the smooth play of Mark Hoch, ECU Intramurals' answer to Magic Johnson.

However, rumor has it that several members of last year's champions have reunited and pulled from other rosters in an attempt to retain the title as the Defending National Champs (DNC).

Steve Maxwell of "The Fellows" leads the attack as the quickest point guard at ECU.

Other leading contenders include Too Short, with the bruising inside play of Cliff Purcell, and Mark Weatherford, Sean "The Rocket" Lynch's Tuff Crew, Beef or Balling, which features Chad Grier and Grant Lowe from last year's runner-ups and Scott Scheckler's Chaminade.

Also hiding out on Wednesday nights is word of Bryan Haywood and Clayton Driver's A Taste of Chocolate.

The teams in Men's Purple division has the largest percentage of the 154 teams involved in Intramural Basketball.

Among those expected to be elevated to the Gold playoffs are Just Houzin' Gold featuring exceptional ballhandling of Dennis Morgan and the speed of Greg Stewart.

Other Gold-caliber teams include Blazing the Trail with Tom Scott and Greg Brandison's Bulls. Z's, team with the power inside play of John Allen and Pete Zophy and Kurk Seekford, hope to parlay their Jamboree and Situation Tournament success into Gold.

A semi-finalist from last year, the L.A. Bad Boys with Kevin Hyman and Brandon Eleby's mercilous outside attack have been hiding in the Purple division while Al Pannell and Quinton Manley lead the opponents into Mass Confusion as their team appears headed for Gold success.

The direction of the Purple playoffs is difficult to forecast because it appears relatively unknown teams will be in the hunt.

Stay tuned as the action in Christenbury and Minges reaches the fever of March madness with its quickly approaching playoff tournament.