

ECU inks deal with ESPN

Minimum of eight football games to be shown over term of contract

Dave Pond
Sports Editor

ECU and ESPN Communications signed a multi-year television agreement Tuesday that will assure the Pirates of having national football coverage, as well as select women's athletic events during the term of the contract, which starts in 1996.

Mike Aresco, ESPN's director of College Sports, and Dave Hart, ECU's director of Athletics, joined forces at a Tuesday afternoon press conference to make the announcement.

"On the heels of last night's nationally televised basketball game on ESPN2, which was the first for our basketball program," Hart said, "we are pleased today with what we think is an exciting and significant announcement relating to future television exposure for our football program, as well as a foundation for additional broad-based visibility for ECU athletics on a national level."

Months of negotiations ended with the agreement that will secure the football program exposure into the next decade.

ESPN and ESPN2 will televise a minimum of eight Pirate home football games over a five-year span, starting in 1996.

As of 1996, ESPN will own all rights to ECU home football games. NBC's contract with Notre Dame in football coverage is the only other

in the country similar to the ECU-ESPN deal, for the number of games and seasons.

The agreement would also survive if ECU joins a conference during the term.

Whatever games ESPN does not choose to broadcast could be shown by other networks, who would have to negotiate with ESPN.

As for regional exposure, such as the Pirate Sports Network, ECU would continue to broadcast above and apart from the new agreement, and could have four to six games televised each season.

"We wanted to ensure that East Carolina got the exposure it needed in other forms," Aresco said.

"Obviously we feel that our commitment is a major one - we are committing to at least one game a year. On that basis, a regional

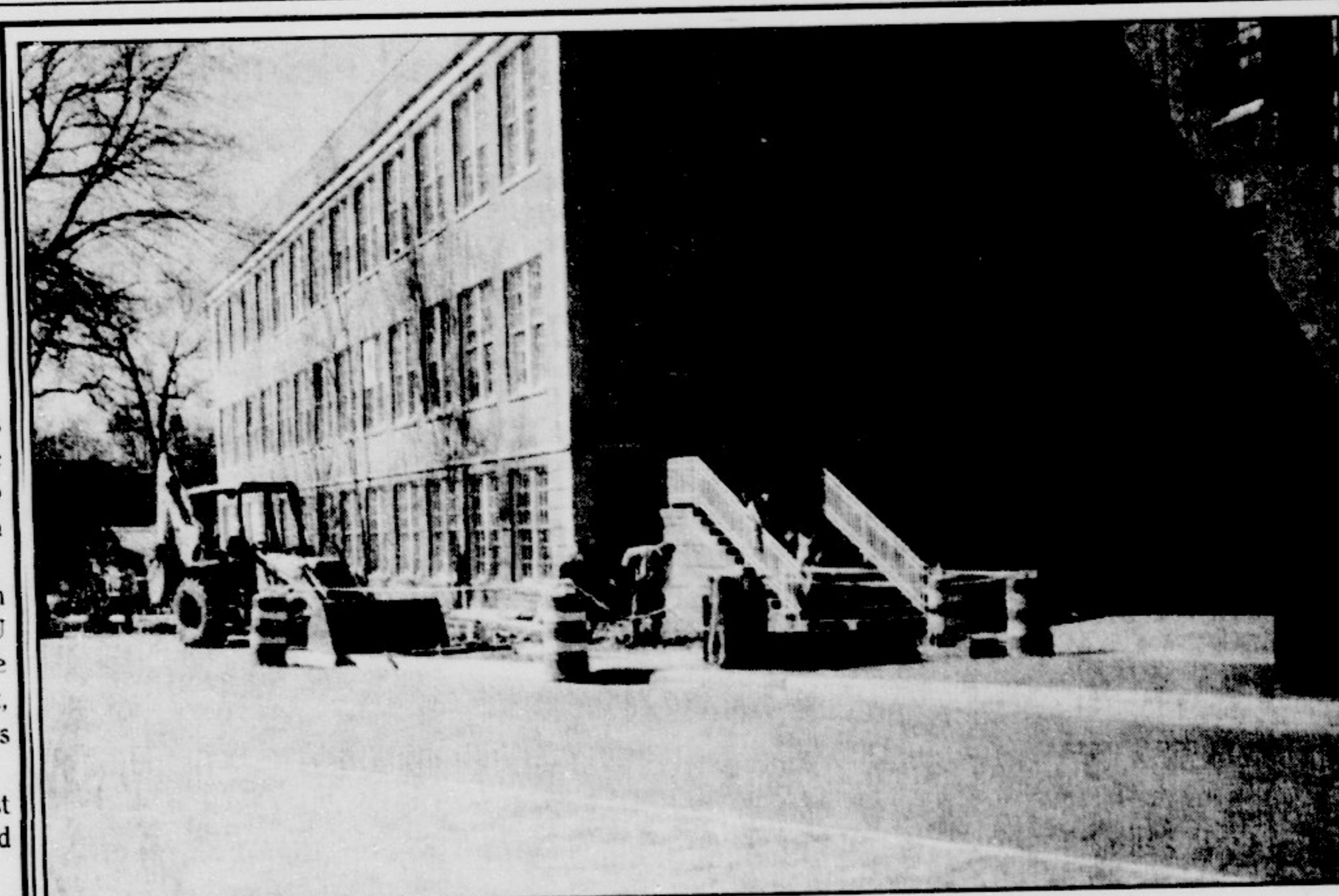


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Staff members may have noticed fewer parking spaces available. Several have been blocked off due to construction outside of the General Classroom Building. Weather permitting, the construction should be completed within several weeks. When finished, the handicap access will be improved and more handicap parking will become available.

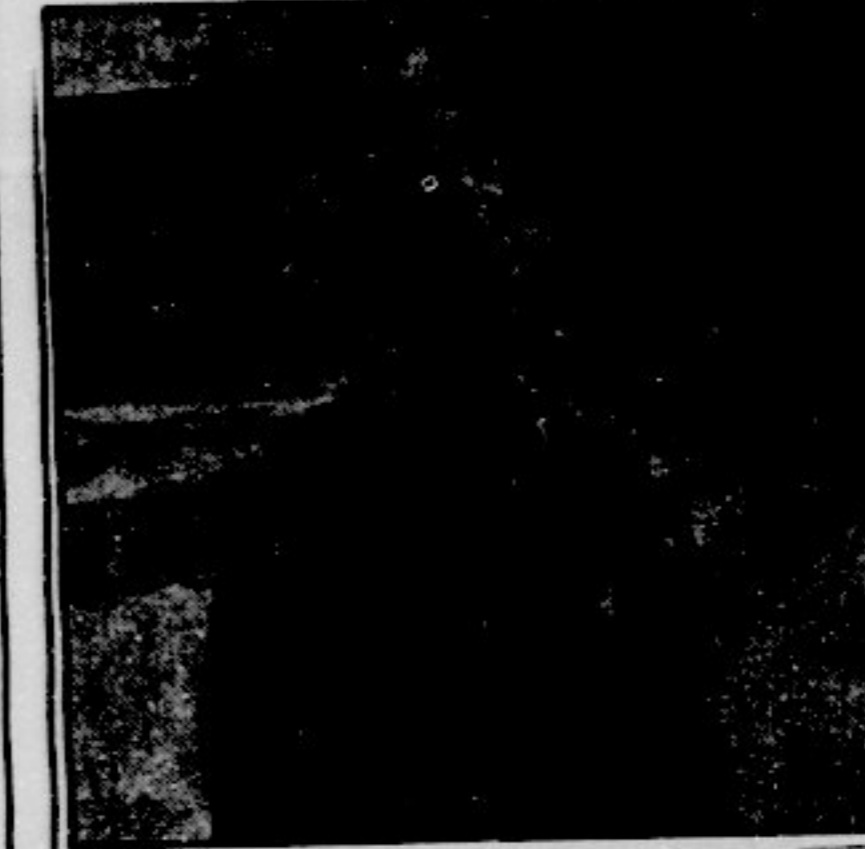
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Pirates on the Street

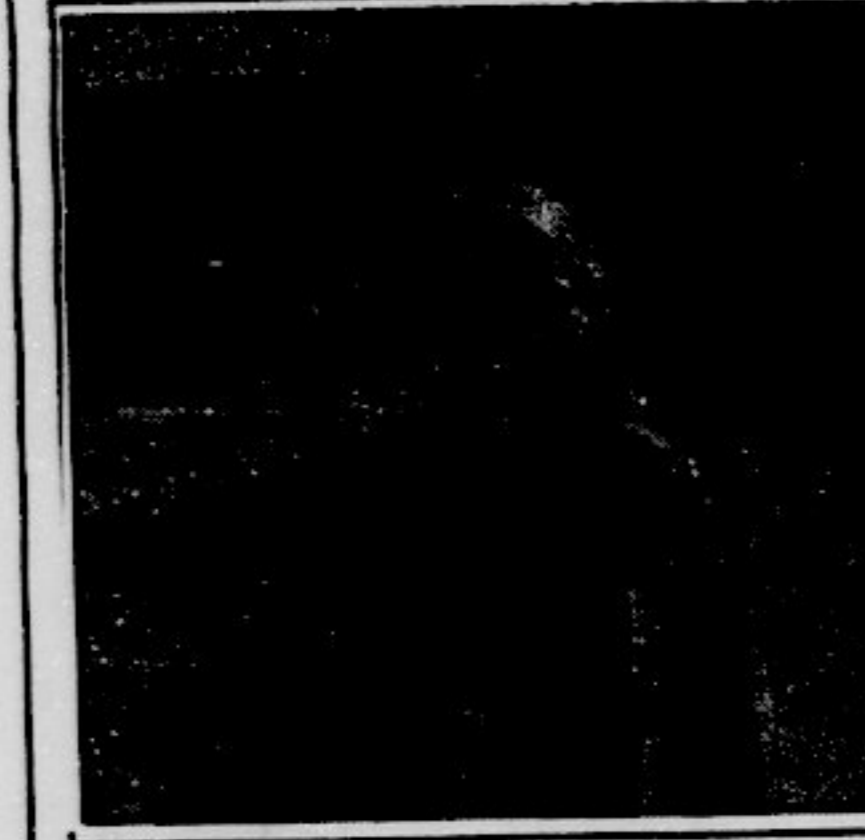
Do you think cheerleading should be considered a sport?



Michael Mulvihile, Junior
Yes, because they work just as hard as any other athletic docs.



Harper Holscher, freshman
No, because you don't keep score and there are no points involved.



Lauren Vaughan, Junior
Sure, because it is a strenuous activity and a lot of time and effort goes into it. I think it's a competitive sport.



Paige Abbott, Junior
Yes, because I used to cheer and they don't get enough credit for all their hard work. They practice like any other team.

Photos by LAURA JACKMAN

Brian Paiz
Sports writer

Controversy once again reigns between the ECU cheerleaders and the athletic department. After failing to go to the national competition on a paid-for basis last year, the ECU cheerleading squad, although finishing 15th in a recent national competition, failed once again to gain a paid-for invite. They qualified, but will have to pay their own way to the National Cheerleading Championships in Orlando in May.

The problem is that the Universal Cheerleading Association (UCA), which sponsors the event, will only fund the top 10 teams that qualify. The ECU cheerleaders feel the athletic department should help send them, since they did qualify for the event.

"We are extremely supportive of our cheerleaders in what they accomplish here at ECU," said Lee Workman ECU assistant athletics director for tickets and promotions. "We try to be fair in our policies and decisions related to all areas of our athletic program. Unfortunately we can't always say 'yes'. The cheerleaders' primary purpose at ECU is a student support group for our athletic teams and an ambassador for the University."

"I understand that the competition aspect is important to our cheerleaders, and we are proud that they were ranked nationally."

The NCAA does not recognize cheerleading as an official sport, therefore, no money is required to be allotted to the program, and any money given by the schools is up to them.

Interim Athletics Director Henry Van Sant said a decision had not been made about the national competition

because he had not yet received a request from the cheerleaders that they wanted to go to the national competition.

"This is the first I've heard about it," said Van Sant. "I have not received any type of request from the cheerleaders here at ECU."

Chancellor Eakin was also unaware of the situation.

"I am in the dark about this situation so I cannot comment, but I am sure I represent the whole ECU community in giving congratulations to the cheerleaders on their 15th-ranked

finish in the national competition," he said. "I have had the personal opportunity to see the cheerleaders throughout the year, and they are a great talent and credit to ECU."

The athletic department, not under any NCAA regulations, does pay for travel and lodging to all away football and some basketball games, and give the cheerleaders allotted weightlifting time and regular use of the sports medicine treatment.

"We allow one fundraising project per year for our athletic teams. The cheerleaders are usually given

two to help them out. One is appearance fees, and the second one is the high school competition which they hold in the spring. However, this spring the cheerleaders are not holding the competition."

Senior Pirate cheerleader David Coates said that he feels the cheerleaders deserve a chance to prove themselves on a national level, and that the athletic department should be proud to send them.

"The way I look at it is regard-

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Movie sparks controversy

Laura Jackman
Staff Writer

The movie *A Reason To Believe* stirred up controversy last night, not because of the language and nudity, but because the plot, about date rape, took place in a Greek setting.

Over 1,000 people showed up at Hendrix Theater to view the movie, but only about 800 were permitted to stay due to seating capacity, said Heather Zophy, health education coordinator at Student Health Services. Due to the large amount of students who wanted to see the movie, it was shown a second time for those who

were turned away the first time. Immediately following the first viewing, a panel discussion was available to answer questions regarding the movie and the issues it addressed. "People were concerned about Greeks being stereotyped, but this

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Wardi Wardas

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Recipe courtesy of Chris Arline (The Cajun King)

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CRIME SCENE

February 16

Marijuana/paraphernalia/weapon possession — Two students were issued state citations and campus appearance tickets for possession of marijuana and paraphernalia in Jones Hall. One student was also cited for possession of a butterfly knife.

Larceny — A staff member reported the larceny of two fire extinguishers from the second floor of Aycock Hall.

Solicitation to commit a felony — A student reported a male subject left a message on his answering machine indicating he wanted to have sex with him.

Breaking and entering — A resident of Jones Hall reported the breaking and entering of his room. Several compact discs were taken from the room while the victim was asleep.

February 17

Breaking and entering — A staff member reported the breaking and entering of two state vehicles parked at the Central Receiving parking lot. A gas card was taken from one vehicle, no signs of forced entry were found.

Misdemeanor breaking and entering — A staff member reported someone entered her office and configured her computer so that a message would appear. She reported that several days ago someone had entered her office and rearranged her Rolodex.

February 18

Damage to property — A resident of Garret Hall reported the tires on his vehicle were punctured while parked in the Fifth and Reade Streets parking lot.

February 19

Financial transaction card fraud and theft — A resident of Aycock Hall reported that he applied for a credit card in December, but never received the card. The victim reported receiving a bill for charges he never made.

February 20

Trespassing/resisting, arrest — An officer responded to Jones Hall on a complaint that two non-students were in the hall around the drink machine. When the officer notified them that they were under arrest for trespassing, they fled. One broke the west glass door as he exited. Both subjects were located in Scott Hall and placed in custody and banned from campus.

Compiled by Tandra Zion. Taken from official ECU police reports.

Visually-impaired take to the wheel

Tandem bikes gives visually impaired chance of lifetime

Wendy Rountree
Staff Writer

Challenges Inc., a newly formed organization based in Greenville, is now offering new experiences for visually and physically challenged persons.

"Challenges is a non-profit organization," said Myra McCall, executive director of Challenges Inc. "What we do is provide recreational opportunities for people who are physically challenged, visually challenged and hearing-impaired. People who don't normally get to enjoy some of the recreational opportunities that everybody else does."

McCall said the organization works to contact and contract with businesses to help set up the events. In the case of its first project, which is for the visually impaired, the organization is working with Two for The Road, a tandem bicycle tour company of Greenville. Tandem bikes are basically bicycles built for two.

"To be able to provide these recreational opportunities, we find people who are already doing some of these things," McCall said. "Like our tandem bike ride, we are contracting Two for The Road tandem bike tours because they have the bicycles, they have all of the equipment, they have the helmets, they

have support vehicles and they already have some tours laid out."

Tandem bikes are being used for a number of reasons.

"A tandem bike has two people on it," McCall said. "There is the captain up front and our visually impaired person would be our stoker. They don't have to worry about the steering of the bike. The communication between the captain and the stoker is important because the captain has to let the stoker know when they are coming to a turn, what kind of traffic is around and the stoker is there pedaling."

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Myra McCall
executive director of
Challenges Inc.

teers and visually impaired participants on paid weekend tours to different places like the coast.

McCall said many of the visually impaired have been contacted through the cable stations, social workers, newspapers and on the Internet's Blind News Network. Information can be taken from the Internet audibly, printed out in large print or in Braille.

Plans are also being made for

the future to teach other activities such as horseback riding and types of water sports to both the visually and physically impaired.

Two for The Road will be training captains-volunteers during weekends in March. Training usually lasts for two days. Also, McCall said vol-

unteers should already be cyclists.

Some of the skills volunteers will learn include suggestions for interacting with persons with disabilities, 10 rules of courtesy to the blind, competent knowledge of bike

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Rally pulls minority community together

Project Outreach rally scheduled for Saturday

Teri Howell
Staff Writer

February is not only the month of love with candy and flowers from your sweetheart. It is also an educational month. Black History Month falls in February and Project Outreach is sponsoring an African-American Awareness Rally on February 25 from 1-5 p.m. at the Epps-West Greenville Gym on the corner of Fourth and Nash Streets to celebrate many of the African-Americans in our history.

Project Outreach is a community outreach program that lends a hand and reaches out to people in the community who might be HIV-infected, addicted to drugs or alcohol, living on the street or living any other high-risk lifestyle, said Michele Pace health educator for Project Outreach.

"We would like our program to be more recognized and we are sponsoring the Rally to let the people know we are here," Pace said. "Many people do not realize what available resources are out there."

The Rally will include several exhibitions from the Pitt County Health Department, the Boys and Girls Club, the Housing Authority, Picasso and the West Greenville Community Development Cooperation, Pace said.

Another main attraction will be gospel singers from local church choirs and young people from a public housing center, Mowood Center, who will recite different oral summaries of important people in black history. KISS 102 will be broadcasting live throughout the day, Pace said.

"Project Outreach has been in the Greenville area for over a year and some ask what we do," Pace said. "Our main function is to refer people to the community resources that are out there for them."

Pace hopes that Saturday's rally will help open up many eyes and educate the community in general as to what is available for them if they need help.

ECU offers many different clubs and organizations for minority students, said Dr. Brian Haynes assistant Dean of Minority Affairs.

Haynes said Project Outreach is a town program and that students can get involved in the college programs for minorities that will educate and support the student at the college level as well, such as the Native American Student Organization, the African American Gospel Choir, the Chancellor Minority Student Leadership Program and the Purple Pride Program (P2).

"Our office works mainly with undergraduate students but some graduates do come to us," Haynes said. "We are here to support the minority students on ECU's campus and to make sure they stay."

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Soup searching for students

Volunteers needed
to serve soup to
homeless, needy

Andrew Davis
Staff Writer

Any volunteers? The Greenville Soup Kitchen is now open and taking all they can get. Located on Tyson Street in York Memorial AME Zion Church the Soup Kitchen is now serving.

"On an average we are serving about 35 [people] a day, but the numbers are growing," said Martha Dawson, a kitchen coordinator.

The Greenville Soup Kitchen provides homeless and needy individuals with a meal at no cost. The Soup

Kitchen is the only one of its kind in Greenville. Another soup kitchen in Greenville, located on Fifth Street, operated for three years but was forced to close in August of 1994.

The ECU Student Volunteer program, under the direction of Judy Baker, used to supply the kitchen with a large number of volunteers. After the Soup Kitchen closed in August, it was removed from the program. Since being opened at a new location and under new coordinators, it has yet to be reinstated.

An organization of York Memorial, headed by Dawson and Barbara Taft, started by serving on Saturdays

but quickly found that was not enough.

"We felt we had to do something, and the response was such that it needed to be done daily," Dawson said.

The Soup Kitchen runs entirely from private donations, a fact that both coordinators are particularly proud of. Seven area churches are the source of most of these contributions, along with some help from sororities. Several of the churches have a specified day on that particular day the church's team of volunteers prepares and serves the food, and cleans up afterward.

The organization has even thought of transportation. York Memorial's Church van picks up at

Shepard Library on Evans Street and at the Greenville Community Shelter Monday-Friday at 10:30 a.m.

"There were 18, maybe 19 [people] on a 15-passenger van when it left here Friday," said Jim Vadnais, resident at the Greenville Community Shelter.

The Greenville Soup Kitchen serves people from 11-12 p.m., Monday-Friday.

"We feel we are really doing a good and needed service for our community," Dawson said.

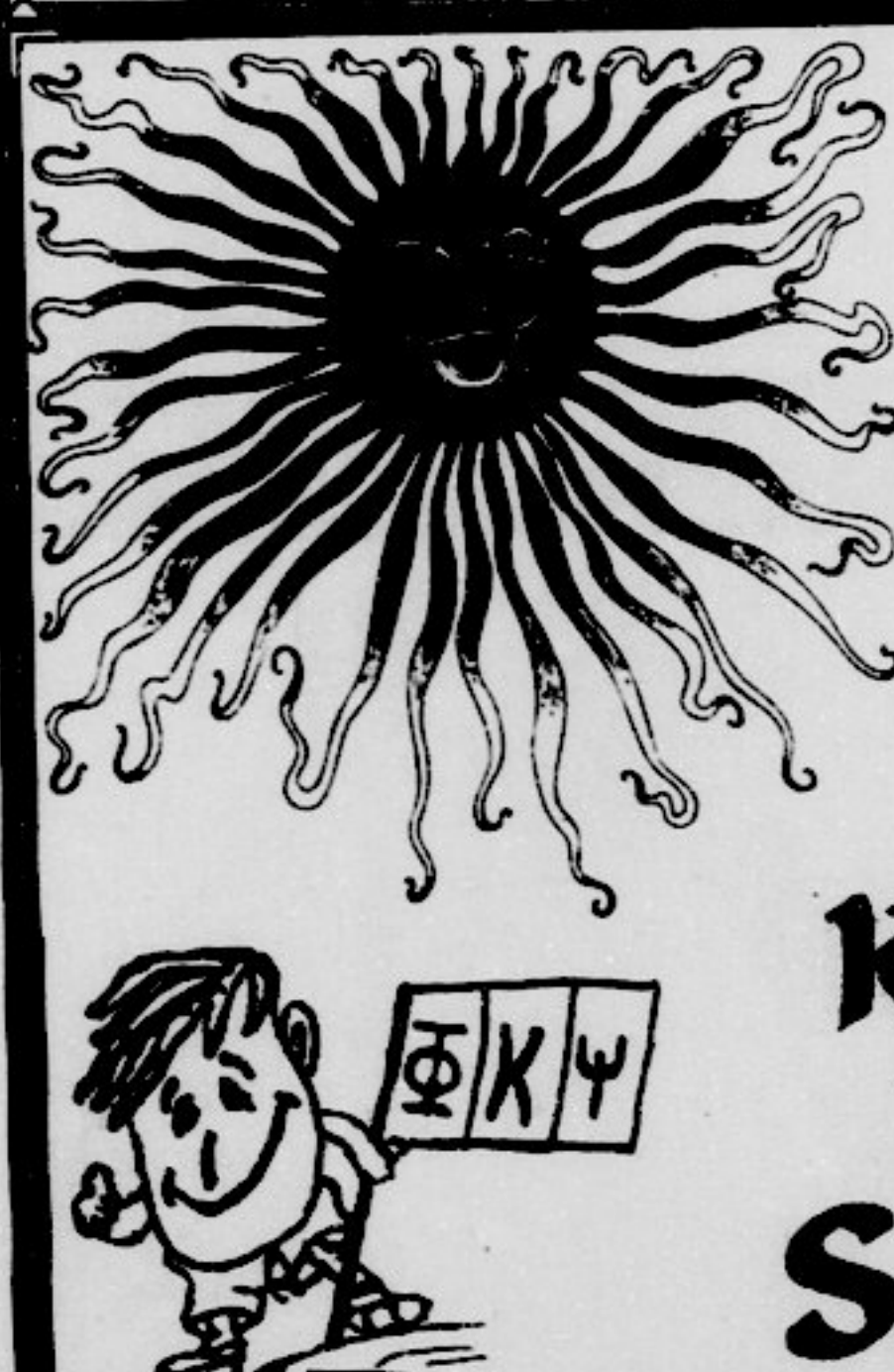
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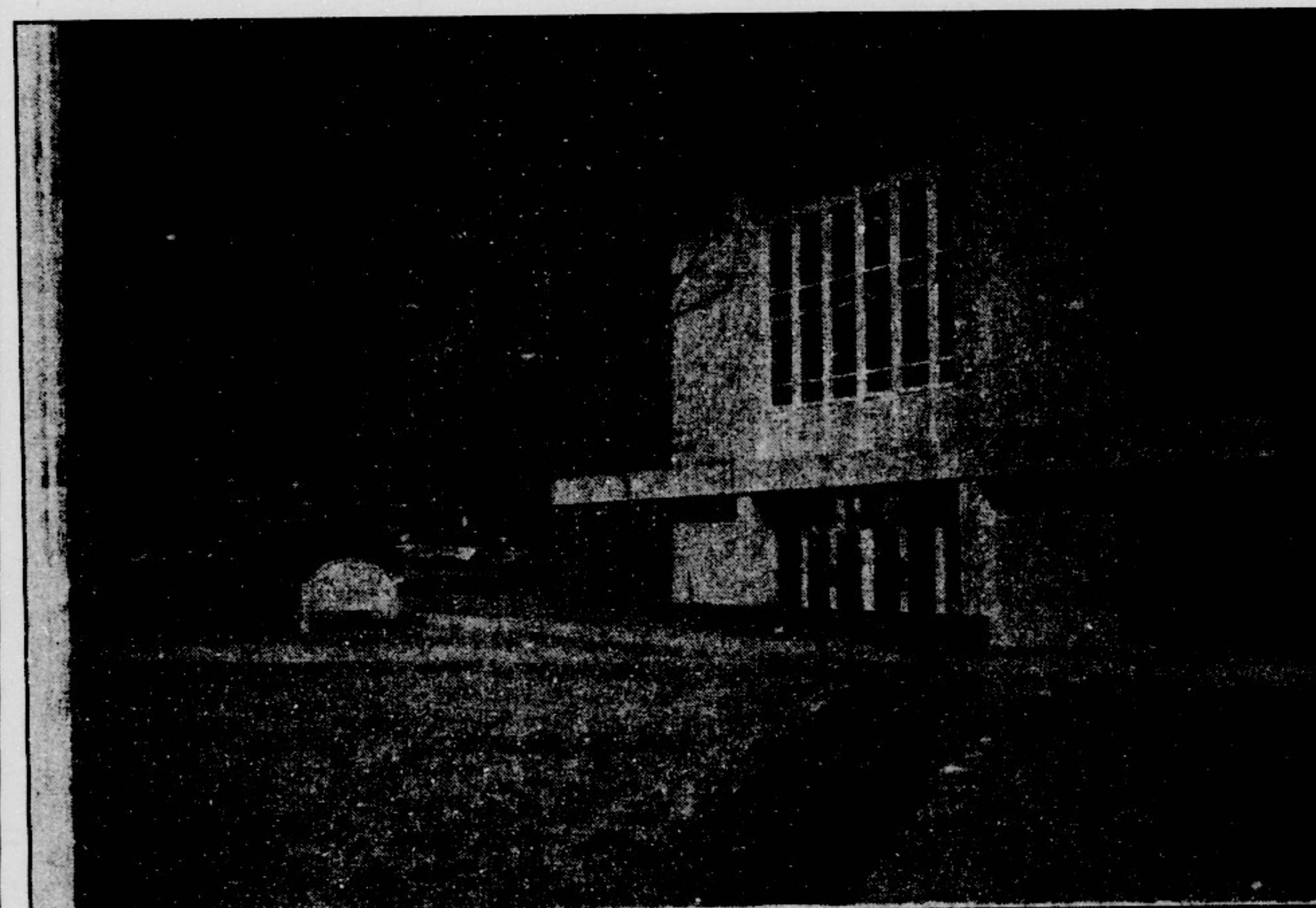
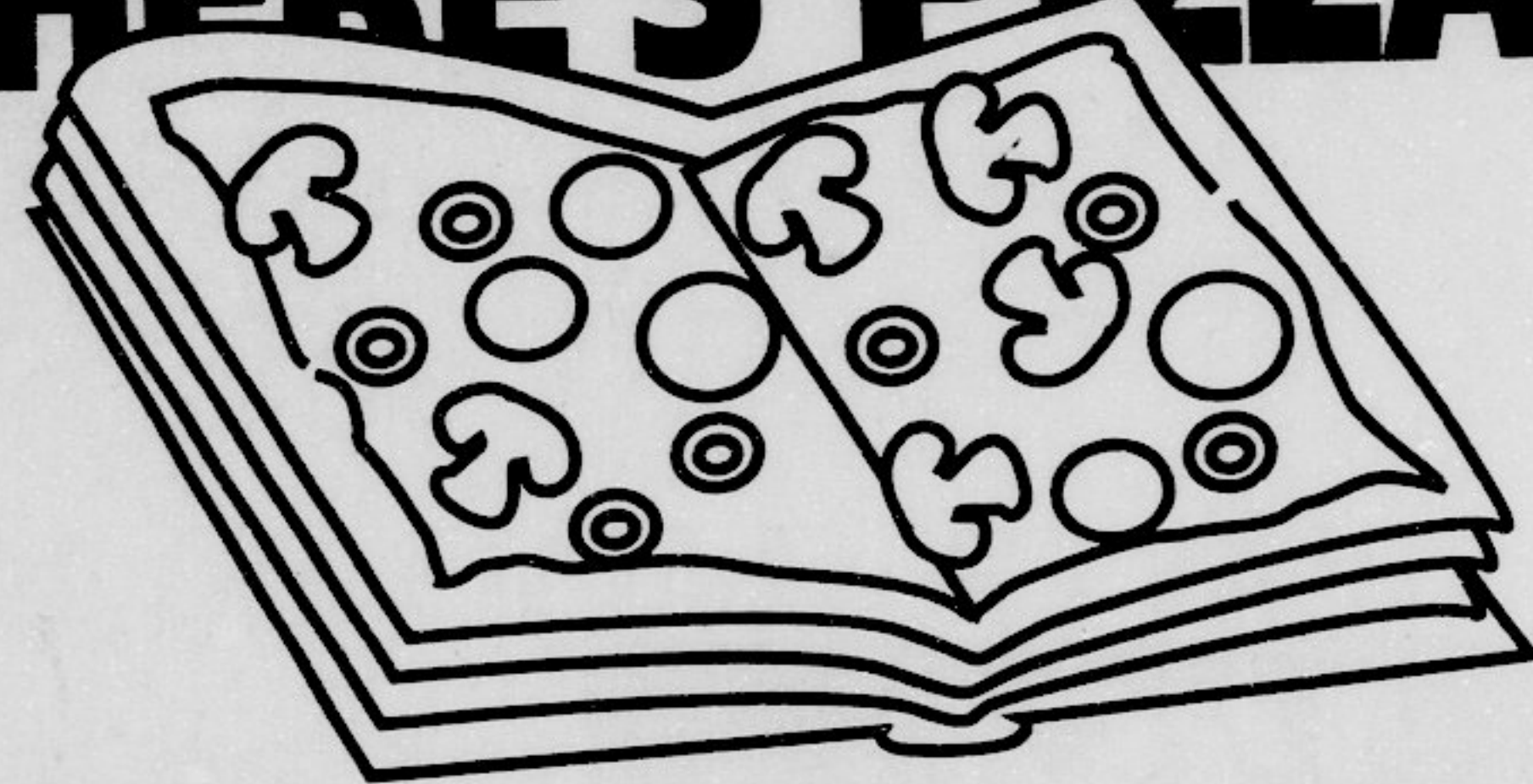


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General assembly experiences busy day

Here's the run down of a day in the life of the General Assembly

(AP) — On Tuesday at the General Assembly:
— A House committee debated a proposal that would lift the state

prison cap in January 1996 and allow private prisons for the first time.

— Correction Secretary Franklin Freeman asked a Senate committee to approve a bill allowing the department to hire private companies to build and operate state prisons.

— State Treasurer Harlan Boyles criticized a teacher lobbying group for using "scare tactics"

in telling retired educators their pension benefits might be reduced.

— The House Finance Committee learned that a formula used in a GOP-promised bill to limit the growth of state spending would require the state to spend at least \$156 million less in 1996 than currently anticipated.

— The House delayed a final vote on a bill giving businesses a reduction in unemployment taxes

because of concerns about an amendment that would make such reductions automatic.

— The House gave final approval and sent to the Senate a bill that would require Superior Court judges to be elected by districts, not statewide.

— The state Child Fatality Task Force recommended graduated licenses for teenagers, automatic license revocation for underage

drinkers who drive and requiring smoke alarms in all dwellings as ways to reduce child deaths.

— The House and Senate scheduled early floor sessions for Wednesday so that about 66 members can fly to Fayetteville to tour Fort Bragg.

— The House voted to reduce the threshold for food stamp fraud felonies from \$2,000 to \$400.

— The House approved an ex-

emption for firefighters and emergency workers carrying axes or other tools that may be described as weapons from a state law that makes it a felony to carry weapons on school grounds.

— Environmental and community groups called on the Legislature to pass regulations that would lessen the impact massive hog farms are having in eastern North Carolina.

Electronically bugged fish stolen

(AP) — Largemouth bass implanted with tiny electronic bugs helped hook a black market ring that illegally sold more than 40,000 pounds of fish, authorities say.

State Department of Natural Resources agents buried the tiny bugs, which measure about three-eighths of an inch long, under the skin of about 3,000 wild largemouth bass as part of a program to track their growth and movement.

The bugs, which give off radio

signals to a hand-held box, helped reveal illegally caught bass from the Potomac River that were being stored in a fish farm run by 47-year-old Dennis Patrick Woodruff. *The Sun* reported Tuesday.

The fish were set to be shipped to wholesalers who would sell them to Asian markets and North American restaurants, officials said. Authorities say Woodruff and three accomplices made a profit of more than \$150,000.

Woodruff was charged with conspiracy and nine counts under a federal law that prohibits the interstate sale of protected wildlife. Each count carries a maximum penalty of five years in prison and a \$250,000 fine.

Also charged last week were three men who allegedly supplied the fish to Woodruff.

The Potomac below Washington is known as one of the best bass-fishing rivers in North America.

Although it is legal to raise and

sell largemouth bass on fish farms, it is illegal to catch them and sell them because their numbers are too small to withstand large-scale commercial fishing.

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Senate debates prison cap Milk — not so good after all

(AP) — Lifting the state's prison cap in January 1996 would cost the state \$14 million, but supporters of the House committee proposal say it would be worth it to keep more inmates behind bars longer.

Waiting just 90 days, until March 1, would save the state \$13 million of that money, but Rep. Sean Lemmond, R-Mecklenburg,

told the House Judiciary II Committee Tuesday that waiting three months would mean emergency paroles for about 1,800 additional inmates.

"You're looking at 1,800 people we wouldn't want back on the streets," said Lemmond, who chaired a subcommittee that developed the proposal. "Basically, we decided it was worth the price.

That's what we wrestled with."

The state Senate already has approved lifting the cap in September 1996, when the state is expected to have enough prison beds to house all its inmates. But Lemmond said waiting that long would put 3,185 inmates on the streets on parole.

"We felt that the Sept. 1 date approved by the Senate was essentially smoke and mirrors in that it repealed the prison cap after it was no longer needed," Lemmond said.

The proposal from Lemmond's subcommittee would do much more than just lift the prison cap on January 1. It also would allow private prisons to operate in the state for the first time, would allow contracting with counties to build and operate facilities for the state, and would loosen restrictions on the Department of Correction for renting out-of-state prison beds in emergencies.

Under the Senate plan, the state would have to spend no additional money next year on out-of-state rentals or other emergency measures because its construction program is expected to catch up with prison admissions.

Several committee members questioned whether allowing private companies to build and operate prisons is a good idea.

"As to whether private contractors become the primary housers of prisoners down the road, or the state, is something that the cost factors and the market will determine," Lemmond said. "The point is giving private facilities a chance."

Correction Secretary Franklin Freeman told members of the Senate Judiciary II Committee Tuesday that allowing private prisons would let the state's prison capacity expand and contract based on need.

"It's like an accordion," Freeman said. "Once our needs for those prison beds are through, we'll contract the accordion."

The Senate panel is considering

a separate bill that allows private prisons.

Freeman said the state's experience housing inmates at privately run prisons in Tennessee, Oklahoma and Rhode Island has been generally positive. The state has 1,000 inmates housed in those states, the maximum allowed by the Legislature last year.

The Correction Department pays as little as \$54 a day per prisoner in Oklahoma to a high of \$78 a day in Rhode Island. Potential prison operators have said they could provide the service for about \$50 a day, Freeman said.

The state now pays an average of \$62.50 a day for medium-custody inmates, the kind of prisoners housed out-of-state, he said.

"The reason the costs are high in North Carolina is there are over 30 medium-custody prisons in this state that have less than 100 prisoners in them," Freeman said.

Sens. Tony Rand, D-Cumberland, and David Hoyle, D-Gaston, asked Freeman to compile figures that include prison construction costs in the department's per-day cost of holding inmates.

"Private companies would be able to do it for considerably less if you built in the true cost," Hoyle said. "We should try to get the state out of the construction business of building prisons."

Both the Senate and House committees are expected to debate the bills again Thursday.

(AP) — Milk can do a body bad.

That's the latest message from the Center for Science in the Public Interest, the group that has made waves telling people the horrors of fat-laden movie popcorn and Chinese takeout.

"People have to get a little more sophisticated at reading between the lines," said Art Silverman, spokesman for the Washington-based center.

"Yes, milk can do a body good, but it can also do a body harm and the trick is to choose low-fat milk."

The nonprofit center began a seven-week pilot project Wednesday in Clarksburg and neighboring Bridgeport to see whether a public awareness program focused on one item — milk — can change people's consumption habits.

The campaign will feature slick television, radio and newspaper ads encouraging 25,000 residents in the towns about 100 miles south of Pittsburgh to switch to either 1 percent, half of 1 percent or skim milk.

Grocery sales records and telephone surveys will be used to track

results and determine whether the project could work in other cities.

"We are offering people one simple, painless choice that will yield significant health benefits for themselves and their families," said Michael Jacobson, executive director of the center.

Bill Reger, director of wellness for West Virginia University and a member of the research team, said whole milk is the biggest source of calories in childhood diets and the second-largest source of saturated fats for adults.

While 2 percent milk is labeled low-fat, 40 percent of its calories come from saturated fat, Reger said. One percent milk gets 23 percent of its calories from saturated fat while skim milk ranges from zero to 10 percent.

"One glass of whole milk has the artery clogging fat of five strips of bacon and 2 percent milk isn't much better but 1 percent and skim milk give you all the great taste," Silverman said.

In West Virginia, health officials say, obesity and heart disease rates are nearly 20 percent higher than the national average.

Jim Barr, head of the National Milk Producers Federation, dismissed the notion that certain forms of milk are bad and said whole milk is important to growing children. The federation represents 100,000 dairy farmers.

"They make an assumption that everybody would be better off if they totally eliminated fat from their diet and this is simply not based on any scientific fact they can point to," Barr said from his Arlington, Va., office.

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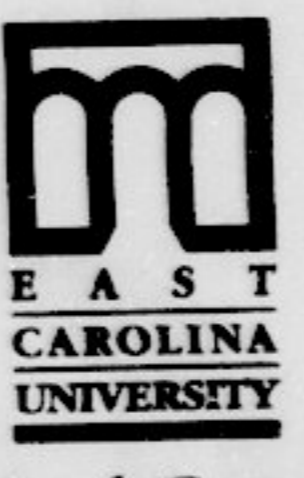
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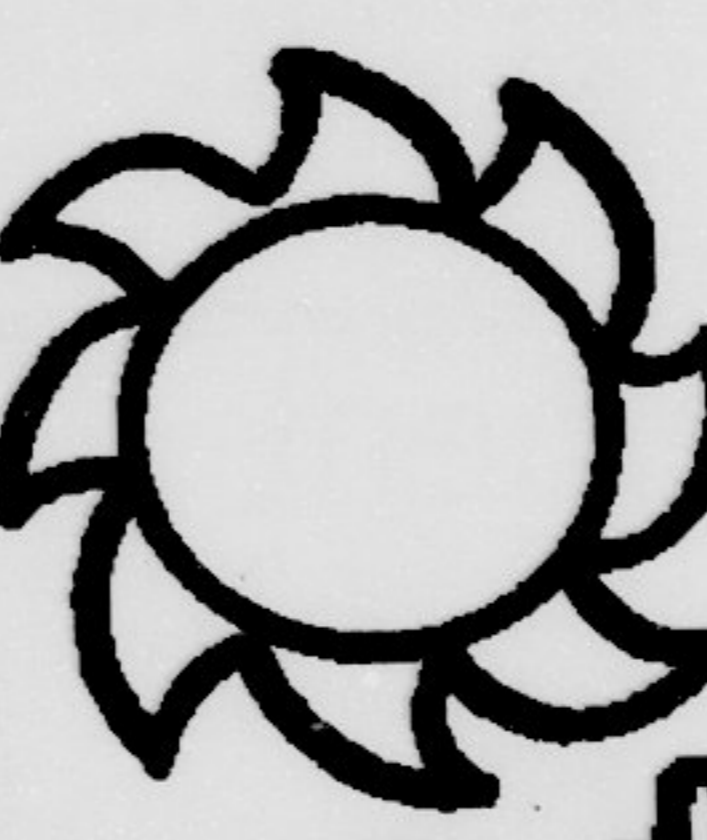


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Our View

ECU fans proved Monday night that we are indeed as great as our hoopsters. Last night the trend continued, as the Pirates toppled UNC-Charlotte by a whopping 10 points. But let's not forget about Saturday. Anton and Chuckie need a proper farewell. We'll miss you guys!

Kudos to the entire Williams Arena crowd for their never-ending support of the Pirates in a losing cause on ESPN2 Monday evening. The national TV coverage may have slightly-restricted attendance and prevented the game from being a sellout, but you wouldn't have known it from the amount of crowd noise and activity present throughout.

Although the top few rows of the Williams stands were sprinkled with Pirate fans, all in the arena came alive that evening, armed with ESPN signs and a desire to show the nation the true spirit - Pirate style.

The Minges Maniacs came out in full force and school spirit, easily discrediting claims by an overly sensitive ECU "fan" (who labeled a certain group of the student section as "absolute goons" and "want-to-be Blue Devil fans" in the Feb. 9 edition of *TEC*.)

This group, centered between the two team benches, have become the leaders of the Maniacs, and should be commended for their efforts in trying to make Williams arena as hostile as possible for the opposition. If the refs (who, by the way, were horrible on Monday night) aren't offended enough by their actions to give them a tech, why should one of our own raise a stink about it?

Pirate fever, after 10 home games, finally spread throughout the rest of the coliseum, and made all the difference. Head coach Eddie Payne, although ending up with a tough loss, was able to gain the much talked about "sixth man" -edge from the excellent fan support. Heck, even the people that paid for their tickets were on their feet cheering the whole game.

The entire group of fans rocked visiting Old Dominion players and coaches (along with the aforementioned referees) with deafening cheers and chants, while continually lifting the spirits of the purple and gold throughout - what they are supposed to do, and exactly why nationally-recognized student sections are nationally recognized.

Simply put, it was louder in Williams Arena on Monday than it has been for any other game this season. With Saturday's huge match-up with interstate rival UNC-Wilmington looming on the horizon, the fans need to come out strong and prove that Monday's pep and spirit wasn't just a one time deal.

Children need welfare reform

An illegitimate child is born into the world and an underprivileged mother. Rather than face up to the persecution of society and the economic disparity of raising a child on her own, the mother gives the child up to an orphanage.

Hey, the above may have been the best way to handle the situation during the times when Dickens wrote the classic novel *Oliver Twist* (notice I left out the term *timless*), but not in ours. These days we have a better idea.

I speak for Uncle Sam when I say keep the child we'll pick up the tab. Need a place to live, food, and some threads? No worries, we're the taxpayers and we've got what you need.

If the above angers you just a little, don't worry you are not alone. The fact of the matter is that this is becoming an all too frequent occurrence in today's society. The question that arises is: Why?

According to UCLA professor James Q. Wilson there is a rational explanation: Welfare benefits render the formation of stable two parent families unnecessary. These benefits, according to Wilson, have induced women wanting to have babies and a home of their own to acquire both at public expense and have convinced young men that sexual conquest need not entail any personal responsibility.

Chris Arline
Opinion Columnist

Increased welfare legislation and grants during the '60s prompted high illegitimacy rates.

This belief is supported by numbers that show that states with higher welfare payments have higher ratios of illegitimate births to mothers who are welfare beneficiaries.

As a result of increases of welfare legislation and grants during the early 1960s, illegitimacy rates skyrocketed between then and the mid 1980s.

There has been much recent debate over the possibilities of instituting new policies mandating the institution of government run orphanages. I don't believe in taking children away from their mothers and I don't see where society could allow this to occur.

Recently Hillary Clinton argued

that she doubted whether Bill Clinton or Newt Gingrich's mothers would have given them up without one heck of a fight.

The solution to the problem is simple; attack it at the source. Revamp the welfare system. Its time to cease funding for illegitimate children born while the mother is on welfare.

My argument has always been: Why try to get something if you can't pay for it in the first place. I'm not alone in my findings, the numbers speak for themselves. Ninety four percent of Americans feel that the welfare system is in definite need of revamping. Of that 94 percent, 64 percent feel that we should no longer continue to fund for illegitimate children born while the mother is on welfare.

The lack of responsibility is overwhelming and we should no longer tolerate or pay for it. One of the biggest responsibilities our society faces is returning the responsibility of providing for children back to parents. According to Wilson, that change requires the emancipation of the individual from the restraints of tradition, community, and government.

Americans have always been the kind of people that believe in helping out their fellow neighbor. But, we should no longer be stuck raising their children.

Correction

In Tuesday's paper, a misprint occurred in Keith W. Cooper's Forum piece. The sentence which read, "It is beyond my comprehension as to why women people would ally with powerful corporate interests..." should have read, "It is beyond my comprehension as to why some people would ally..." We regret the mistake.

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Traffic problems abound

The only major complaint I have about Greenville, NC, is the traffic. I moved here a little over a year and a half ago and for the most part I've enjoyed the town. Greenville is a nice, quiet little town, maybe a little too quiet occasionally but overall a pretty friendly place. Unfortunately, the friendly inhabitants of Greenville can't drive. And I'm not talking about just the year-round residents. ECU students apparently acquire this deficiency once they get in to town. (I, of course, am immune.)

First, let me ask a question: Is no-one in this town ever in a hurry to get anywhere? This is my first experience living in a town where the majority of people drive five to ten miles below the speed limit. Even the Department of Motor Vehicles is aware of this problem apparently.

When I went to get my North Carolina driver's license there were four questions related to minimum speed limits and how driving too slow can cause traffic accidents. There was only one question about exceeding the speed limit and that was about going more than twenty miles over the limit. Somehow I doubt that is big concern here in Greenville.

Andi Powell Phillips
Opinion Columnist

The Emerald City has major flow problems ... and they appear to be contagious.

Another local traffic problem I have encountered is the Stoplight Phenomenon. This is when I am sitting at a traffic light behind a line of cars, the light turns green ... and nothing happens. I continue idling at a dead stop for another few seconds before I see the car ahead of me gradually begin to roll forward. By the time the light turns red all of three cars have managed to creep across the intersection. It doesn't matter though, because five more cars follow after the light turns red.

It seems that the only time

Greenville residents are in a hurry to get somewhere is when they see a red light. I figure it works on the same principle as waving a red cape in front of a bull. I've seen so many red lights run I'm beginning to think red doesn't mean the same thing here as it does everywhere else. From what I've been able to tell, red means hurry, green means go ... eventually and yellow has no meaning at all.

This traffic light thing reminds me of a silly joke my dad told me when I was a kid. There was this guy who was always running red lights. He knew it was safe because his brother did it all the time and nothing ever happened to him. One day he was driving along with a friend in the car and he came upon a green light. He slammed on the brakes and screamed to a stop. "The light was green," the friend said. "You could've gone." "Are you kidding?" the guy asked. "My brother might've been coming the other way!"

Think about this the next time you hit the road: If you drive at the posted speed limits, you won't have to run those red lights to get where you're going on time. And you never know when your brother may be coming the other way.

Repubs want us to pay up

You know, this won't be the first time or the last time I criticize one of Newt Gingrich's policies, but this one hits home.

Republicans have been known for their apathy toward young adults. When Clinton appeared on MTV in '92, Bush refused to appear on the popular network, not wanting to appeal to a bunch of "teeny-boppers."

I could go on and debate over the Republican's disdain for the college generation, but that's not the point. College loans are important to a lot of people, but the repayment of these loans is a definite problem.

I should know, I have a Stafford loan and college would be real difficult without it. There are people less fortunate than I who depend on loans to pay for all college costs: tuition, books, spending money, etc.

These are all loans that must be paid back in full. For a student who just graduated, paying back the loan can be an inconvenience. He or she may be looking for a job, seeking graduate education, or looking for a place to live.

Fortunately, for most loans, while we are in school we are given the option to defer the loan payment until we are no longer in college. The instant we leave school, we are then expected to commence payments.

I feel this system is a great one, designed to help people pursue a college education who otherwise might not be able to. The usual stringent

Larry Freeman
Opinion Columnist

The Gingrich Who Wants to Steal Our Grace Periods. Stop him, fast!

demands for loans are relaxed to accommodate college students. One distinguishing characteristic of a non-college loan is interest.

In most situations, when one borrows money interest accrues on that money until it is paid in full. Anyone who has used a credit card knows what this is all about.

The Speaker of the House wants interest to accrue while we are in college. I think I speak for most college students when I say we have enough problems to worry about: apartment rent, electric bills, phone bills, grocery bills and, hopefully, a little bit of spending money.

For many, times are financially difficult in college. Tuition increases, parking increases and other fees are commonplace. Let's not forget a few "pit stops" at the Croatan can cost a

small fortune.

For example, say that I go to college for five years, getting a \$2,000 loan per semester. Besides paying \$20,000 back, I would have to fork over \$1,000 in interest.

The cost of attending college is high enough. I don't want to get into a partisan debate over this subject, but it's a fact that President Clinton is concerned about the costs of college; anyone who saw him during Campaign '92 can attest to that.

I know some people are saying, "Criticize Newt Gingrich? Hey buddy, get in line!" I do not want to fuss about Rep. Gingrich - there are a number of questionable democrats as well. I actually admire Newt for his candor. The guy does tell you what's on his mind. I don't hate him, I just disagree with many of his policies.

Were a democrat to offer this proposal, I would be just as vehement about it. It just doesn't surprise me that the GOP backs this measure. When are republicans going to realize that trickle-down economics don't work? Forget capital gains, and worry about the little people, the ones who "ratified" your contract.

Don't we have enough monetary hardships as it is? You would think a former history professor would have a little more compassion for the struggling college student. I just hope that any representative or senator who doesn't like this policy will stand up for the students.

After all, we're voters, too!

Letters to the Editor

To the Editor:

There's been some concern voiced in the last week about the proposed increase of out-of-state tuition at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, North Carolina State University and the North Carolina School of the Arts.

Few of the stories and editorials have given a full picture of the facts that support the proposed increase. It was originally proposed by the Government Performance Audit Committee (GPAC), the widely-applauded independent audit of state government conducted in 1992. GPAC's rationale was that out-of-state students ought to pay the full cost of their education.

North Carolina taxpayers may not realize that they now subsidize as much as 25% of the tuition cost for out-of-state students at UNC and N.C. State, footing the bill for some \$2,100 a year for an out-of-state student at UNC.

There is no such subsidy at several of the UNC campuses, including UNC-Charlotte, UNC-Greensboro, UNC-Wilmington and Appalachian State University. In fact, those schools actually charge out-of-state students more than the cost of their education.

It should be noted that even with this increase, the cost of a UNC education is still a good deal for out-of-state students - still less than the

tuition charged by comparable state-supported schools like the University of Virginia, the University of Michigan and the University of California at Berkeley.

This budget recommendation is based on the view that the taxpayer-financed subsidy is something our state can no longer afford, given the other pressing needs we face. Those needs include tax relief for working families with children, strengthening the state's efforts to fight crime, reducing class size in the first grade and improving direct services for children in their early years.

Marvin D. Dorman, Jr.
State Budget Officer

PIRATE comics



It's A Cartoonists Meeting!

There will be a meeting of all current Pirate Comics artists next Thursday at 5:30 at The East Carolinian offices. Topics of discussion include upcoming Spooft Page, plans for next year's page and the overthrow of a certain unnamed television network. (Say your prayers, Seinfeld!!)

PHOEBE



BY STEPHANIE SMITH

THE BLOOD OF THE LAMB



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If Pigs Could Fly



BY PAUL HAGWOOD

50... "What's Your Sign?" Horoscopes by Madame Stephanie

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
Absorb your findings today. Truth comes out in writing. Logic is your friend; things will fall neatly into place after such a hideous slew of disorder. Sit back and say, "I'm finally caught up...for the moment." Then brace yourself.

Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20)
Le poisson plays Cupid today, knowingly or unknowingly. Pisces (lover of variety) must use special discretion, and conveniently feign amnesia when the match-up doesn't work. Old music, caffeine play major parts in your day.

Aries (Mar 21-April 19)
It's time to bend the worries packing. You've been dreaming of a bevy of Fs tap-dancing on your forehead. Mom and Dad withholding the pity check, your main squeeze the topic of juicy gossip. RELAX. Those are the symptoms of hypochondria.

Taurus (April 20- May 20)
You'll be asked endless favors today. At first, you'll assent with grace. Beware. It may start an insurmountable epidemic of favor-asking. You may find yourself reduced to shaking the welcome mat out over the head of that lousy-timed unfortunate.

Gemini (May 21-June 21)
Some domestic adjustments are in order; take this however you wish. Someone who had all the effrontery to underestimate you will be eating his words! Gloat, but quietly, put on a class act.

Cancer (June 22- July 22)
O, unrequited love! You're living out the saga of Cathy and Heathcliff, and someone is pining passionately. A retreat is in order. Get philosophical—your verbal skills are working surprisingly well for one in such a tumult.

Leo (July 23- Aug. 22)
Try something you've never tried before: cold borscht, a good sneeze (with your eyes wide open). "Passion" is the word of the day. Don't spend it all in one place.

Virgo (Aug. 23- Sept. 22)
Virgo stages a brawl, and watches carefully to see who the real friends are. (Remember the last time you were in a cop car?) Blood-thirsty passers-by are crushed to see it's all a game. Your life couldn't be smoother right now.

Libra (Sept. 23- Oct. 23)
Let no one take the credit for your ideas! Protect them, whether they're worth your weight in rubies or they're pure caprice. Pottery, books, poetry is in your future.

Scorpio (Oct. 24- Nov. 21)
You're waxing nostalgic, aren't you? You scoff at silly sentimentality, but feel compelled to listen to old tapes. Read some old letters. Hazard an interpretation of an old flame's illegible scrawl. And get on with it.

Sagittarius (Nov. 21- Dec. 21)
Sagittarius, thy name is toast. Don't go outside! On the other hand, staying indoors isn't such a hot idea either. Find yourself a nice doorjamb. Run to a fellow suffering Sagittarian and find solace in his/her ability to find the humor in it all. All is lost, otherwise.

Capricorn (Dec. 22- Jan. 19)
Those who have mistaken you for a "doorman" will have it suddenly yanked out from under your feet. Send these foolish ones "thank you" notes, adding a personal touch.

LIFEstyle

The Jerky Boys dial the wrong number

Ike Shibley
Staff Writer

For those who have never heard the caustic, insolent barbs hurled by the Jerky Boys onto unsuspecting persons who pick up a phone, a new film, aptly titled *The Jerky Boys*, promises to acquaint you with these two phone pranksters.

I first heard the Jerky Boys while huddled in my brother's car last Thanksgiving outside my parents' house. Something about the surreptitious manner in which we listened to my brother's tape added a thrill to what we heard. The material seemed too illicit to listen to with Mom and Dad around. A certain excitement about doing something not quite socially acceptable filled the car as we anxiously awaited to hear what these brazen men would do next.

My two brothers and I laughed uproariously at the audacity of these two callers. The Jerky Boys would call anyone, in any situation. They called a clinic claiming to be suffering from hemorrhoids and called a talent agency pretending to be the Egyptian Magician. The nonstop barrage of insults spewed by these two New Yorkers left all three of us short of breath from laughing so hard.

The two men, Johnny Brennan and Kamal Ahmed, who play themselves in the film, talked to listeners on the receiving end of their

calls with harsh, brazen impudence. I cannot be certain that the calls were not staged, but the possibility of the calls being real made the comedy truly stimulating. The thought of these two Jerky Boys really jerking someone around until the person finally hung up added the spice necessary to make the comedy uproarious.

Why anyone thought that a Jerky Boys film would be a good idea baffles me, however. Every call within the film is obviously staged and therefore lacks the energy of the tapes. Plus, seeing the callers removes the thrill of imagining what might be going on with the poor

person on the receiving end of the line.

Worse yet is that the writers (helped by the Jerky Boys) tried to fit a story around which the pranksters could make their calls. They also made a wrongheaded decision to try to fit in routines from their tapes. The Egyptian Magician sequence is hopelessly out of place.

The Jerky Boys call a gangster and get him to think they are two goodfellas from Chicago, working for a don named Frank Rizzo (another bit from the tapes). They get to meet with Ernie Lazarro (Adam

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Photo Courtesy of Touchtone Pictures

They'd better hide their faces! Our reviewer gave phone pranksters the Jerky Boys (pictured above) the lowest rating possible for their new film, imaginatively titled *The Jerky Boys*.

Giants walk the Ritz

Mark Brett
Lifestyle Editor

I honestly didn't think this show would be that great.

No, really! On my way to the Ritz Sunday night, I didn't expect to be dazzled by *They Might Be Giants*. Sure, they're one of my favorite bands, but I figured their peculiar brand of polka-heavy alternative pop was too studio-bound. I expected to enjoy myself, mind you, but the best I was hoping for was to hear some of my favorite obscure tunes, like "Kiss Me, Son of God" or "Dead." Anything

more seemed unlikely.

Okay, so I was wrong. But before I get to how very wrong I was, I need to give the opening act their due. Fresh-faced noise-

"Out of respect for you..." the two Johns said, "we're not gonna play any bad songs. That's right! No bad songs, only the good ones."

pop outfit the Dambuilders, despite delaying the show's starting time by nearly two hours, got things off to a snappy start. Their skunk-haired vio-

linist stole the show with her distorted violin stylings. Capable of far eerier sounds than a guitar, this instrument separates the Dambuilders from the alternative pack and makes them worthy of opening for *They Might Be Giants*, who are themselves nothing if not different.

Proving just how different they really are, the Giants opened with "O Do Not Forsake Me." This song, a dirge-like number with three-part harmony on their *John Henry* album, was delivered with a lounge jazz snap by primary Giants vocalist John Flansburgh and keyboardist/accordion player John Linnell. Grinning like a fool by the second verse, I knew I was about to see something amazing.

I wasn't disappointed. The Giants took us through a whirlwind of a show. "Out of respect for you as an audience," the two Johns told us, "we're not gonna play any bad songs. That's right! No bad songs, only the good ones."

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Ominous Seapods smell a bit Phishy

Brandon Waddell
Staff Writer

Last week, I heard a track on WZMB from a band called Ominous Seapods. It sounded real Phishy to say the least, but it was definitely worth giving a once-over listening. So when I found their new CD, *Econobrain*, I grabbed it. Their sound is not totally jazzy, bluesy or funky; it's all these things combined.

One aspect of their sound that certainly made a favorable impression is that it was recorded live. Few record companies will release a band's first effort as a live album because they can't have the producers change the music in the studio to make it sound more commercially appealing. Most likely, in a release such as this, what you hear is what you get. That's why I also assumed that their live show would be as good as what I heard on disc.

For the most part, it was. The Seapods are from upstate New York and Greenville is the furthest south they've ever been while touring. They're supposedly one of the most successful bands on the East Coast. However, considering the size of the crowd at Peasant's Café Saturday night, I think it would be quite difficult to find someone around here who would agree with that claim.

The show did go much better after 1 a.m., but this was probably due more to the fact that the audience had a larger amount of alcohol in their system than the show actually getting better. Among the 50 or so spectators at Peasant's Saturday night, the majority of the people were more into in-depth conversations with each other than checking out the

band they paid a 5 dollar cover to see. Overall, the Seapods did not have too bad of an introductory performance in Greenville. Hopefully they won't be scared away from our little town simply because they didn't blow the roof off of Peasant's. Many bands that come through Greenville do not have a pleasant first outing and never come back. Hopefully though, the Seapods will come back to see us in the future.



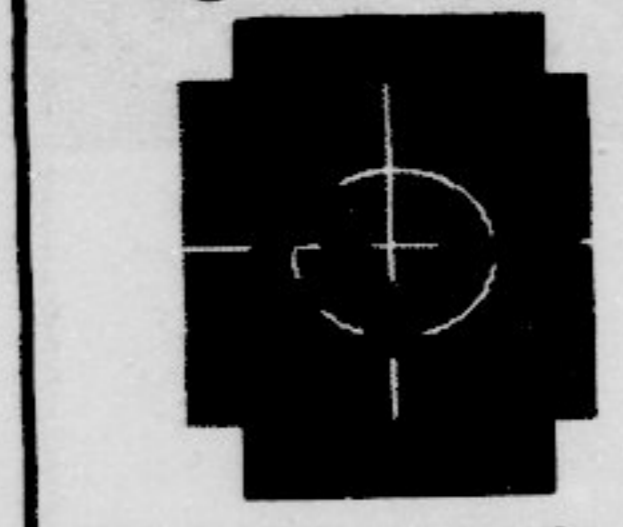
Photo courtesy Ominous Sea Pods

Here we see the Ominous Seapods not looking very ominous at all, posing on the steps of an impressive building.

C.D. Reviews



Belly
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Meredith Langley
Assistant Lifestyle Editor

themselves flow better too.

The third track on the album, "Red," follows the same slow-to-fast pattern as "Seal My Fate," but it doesn't fall into the trap of sounding just like another song. There were a few moments when "Red" made me think of the song "White Belly" from their last album, but this song has a lot of merit, and is much more maturely written than some of their past pop melodies.

"King," the title track, is a very fast-paced song that has Donnelly's voice slightly buried under distorted guitars. It then jumps into a very straightforward, almost standard rock chorus, which makes the song sound a little unorganized. The song does boast a short but sweet guitar solo, and the lyrics are pretty good, too. As the title track, this song has a lot of potential because it has that almost-cluttered sound to it that everyone is so crazy about these days.

Currently playing on MTV is the first release off *King*, called "Now They'll Sleep." This song is incredible. It has all the elements of a great song. Musically, the song is well constructed, and flows together very well. The lyrics are also interesting: "Now I've lost the plot / I'm not the hero I could be / But not the dog I was." It's so catchy that after the first time I heard it, I sang it for at least three days.

For the most part, every song on the album is well-constructed. Drummer Christopher Warren is a very capable drummer, and his ability shines through on *King* much more so than on *Star*. He has this great style that uses a lot of buildup techniques. These build-ups really help the listener know that something big is about to happen within the song.

King also boasts a great deal more harmonization than *Belly's* last album. I hear more backup vocals by Bassist Gail Greenwood

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Comine Attractions

Coming soon for your edification and amusement:

Thursday, Feb. 23

Open Mic
at the Percolator Coffeehouse
(poetry)

Cool Aid Benefit
at the Attic
(roots rock)

Shalé
at O'Rock's

ECU Symphony
and North Carolina Symphony
at Wright Auditorium
8 p.m.

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Friday, Feb. 24

The Specialist
at Hendrix Theatre
(action)
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Cravin Melon
at the Attic
(roots rock)

Ella
and Green Bone Dance
at O'Rock's
(alternative)

The Specialist
at Hendrix Theatre
(action)
8 p.m.
FREE!

Saturday, Feb. 25

Bloodstul
and How Town
at O'Rock's
(metal)

Gibb Droll
and Hard Soul Poets
at the Attic
(roots rock)

The Specialist
at Hendrix Theatre
(action)
8 p.m.
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Gross sweets make splash

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Is there nothing too gross for kids to buy?

"No. Well, there probably is, but I don't know what it is," said Lori Bassett of Sherman Confections Inc.

Her display at the American Wholesale Marketers Association's 36th National Winter Convention and Candy Exposition included Super Nauseating Obnoxious Treat, sold in a nose-shaped container. Sherman also makes Spew, which foams and stains the spewer's mouth, and Mad Dawg Super Spew Bubble Gum.

Then there's the high-tech option: bubble gum in plastic compact discs, CD players and boom boxes, toy beepers and cellular phones with candy inside.

Add the more straightforward Reese's Peanut Butter Cups, M&M's, Snickers, Hershey's Kisses, Butterfingers and Mounds and you have a fraction of the sweet treats at the convention that is the world's biggest candy shop.

It's clear that tasting good isn't good

enough for kids today.

Amurrol Confection Co. sells a viscous, neon-colored liquid in a clear squeeze bottle shaped like a lava lamp. The display trumpets, "Lava Lick: A great taste eruption!" There's Gobble-D-Goo, day-glo goo in a glue bottle.

Leaf Inc. sells Mouth Muck, bubble gum balls that make you foam at the mouth.

Candy makers have a word for sweets that make people say "Eeuuwww gross."

No, not revolting. Interactive.

Kids want to play with their candy.

"When I was in Europe, they had excrement-shaped candy, and it was selling like hotcakes," said John Schultens of Triple C, Inc., a Canadian distributor. "They also had a product called Bart."

Triple C doesn't sell those.

"We actually have certain standards," Schultens said.

There's a lot of fizzy candy out there, too. Magic Fizz popping candy. Cherry Bomb lollipops. Remember Pop Rocks?

"I haven't seen them for years!" said Denise Perryman, a buyer for Walmart Stores Inc.

However inventive these new candies may be, tradition remains the best seller. Reese's Peanut Butter Cups is the national favorite, followed by Snickers and M&M's Plain and Peanut brands.

That's because candy is mostly consumed by grown-ups. And confection consumption in the United States is growing, association President Lawrence Graham told the convention last week.

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Maybe it wasn't such a good idea you came a day early...

*Note: *Elijah, Man of God* is based on events as recorded in *1 Kings, chapters 16 - 19*. To receive maximum benefit, it is recommended that you first read these scriptures.

Wednesday Night, March 1 - 7:00 p.m.

Come early to guarantee seating. Doors open at 6:30pm.

GIANT from page 8

Considering how few bad songs there are in the They Might Be Giants repertoire, this was a pretty safe claim to make. Giant standards like "Particle Man," "Ana Ng" and "Don't Let's Start" (their first hit) were carefully mixed in with lesser-known stuff like "I Palindrome I" and "Mammal." In the eyes and ears of the audience, our beloved Johns were right: There wasn't a bad song in the bunch.

Showing off some impressive musical talents all the way through, the Giants surpassed the studio versions of just about every song they played. On "Spy," for instance, they expressed their love of '60s spy movie theme songs and improvisational jazz with a lovely, jumbled climax loosely conducted by Linnell.

But the big surprise for the evening was "Why Does the Sun Shine?" A song plucked from some educational children's record of the '50s, this one was released last year to mixed reviews. The somewhat myopic tone grated on some ears, and this track became infamous as a love-it-or-hate-it song.

For the show, however, the Giants relieved the song of any myopic qualities it might have possessed. Speeding things up, they almost gave this one a punk edge. I still can't believe Linnell kept a straight face delivering lines like "The sun is a huge, atom-smashing machine" over the driving beats being laid down by his bandmates.

But the giggles were infectious at this show. The audience (a peculiar mix of alty kids, skinheads and the utterly normal) started moving as soon as They Might Be Giants took the stage and rarely stopped. A mosh pit briefly broke out near the stage and didn't really seem out of place despite the light tone. A rash of pogoing broke out, and a conga line snaked around the crowd for a while, but soon found itself stopped dead in its tracks by people surging up from the back of the room.

All in all, I've seldom seen a happier crowd. I didn't even see any violence break out. Considering how tightly we were all packed onto the Ritz dance floor, that's pretty amazing. Perhaps downtown audiences could learn from this example.

It's even more amazing when you consider the subject matter of a lot of the music. They Might Be Giants play happy little songs about horrible little people, but that's their charm. On the surface, their music might appear frivolous, a friend of mine actually called them a novelty band. But beyond the bouncy beats is a core of cynicism that underscores nearly every song.

As the Giants themselves say: "No one in the world ever gets what they want and that is beautiful. Everybody dies frustrated and sad and that is beautiful." Perhaps not words to live by exactly, but certainly something to think about.

BELLY from page 8

than I ever did before. This is a great asset on an album because if you like to sing a long in the car like I do, it will be pretty hard to get bored since there are so many parts to sing to.

One other great thing about King is that none of the songs sound exactly alike. With both Donnelly and Thomas Gordon playing guitar, both of their sounds shine through. This adds more variety to their songs and shows their ability to put their own creative effort into the band without trying to outshine each other.

Overall, King is a great album. There are maybe one or two songs that start to grate your nerves before they are over, but I've forgotten which ones they were because I got so wrapped up in the disc.

I highly suggest this album to anyone who is a Belly fan. You will not be disappointed. I will admit that I was a little thrown off when I first started listening, but I can already tell that I will like King just as much, if not more, than I liked Star.

JERKY from page 8

Arkin) in a hopelessly contrived situation that saps any comedic energy right from the film.

The Jerky Boys, Brennan and Kamal, still have humor. Brennan called into Letterman last week and got laughs even with his toned-down language. But the film lacks story, originality and acting. Not one aspect of *The Jerky Boys* warrants praise.

The Jerky Boys detracts from

the comedy of the phone calls. Every joke falls flat, which makes the film painful to watch. Despite cameos by Tom Jones and Ozy Osbourne, the film sinks to the lowest possible depths of cinema, thus according it the lowest possible rating. The Jerky Boys need to stay on tape and away from celluloid.

On a scale of one to ten, *The Jerky Boys* rates a one.



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SPORTS

Thursday

ODU tops ECU on ESPN

Mullin hits 11 of 12 in big 81-73 win over Pirates

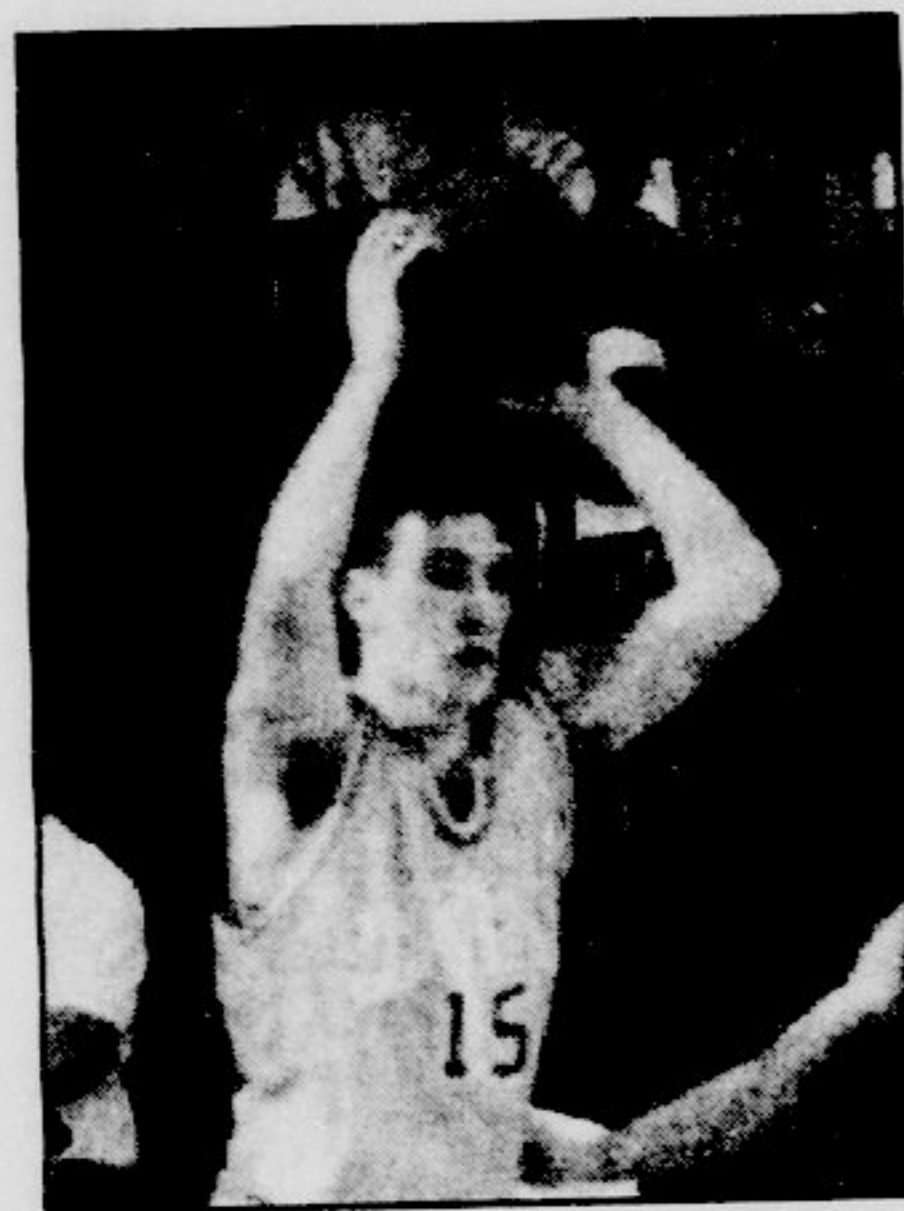


Photo by HAROLD WISE

Damon VanWeerdhuizen has given Coach Payne quality minutes as a point guard.

Brian Palz
Staff Writer

Monday night at Williams Arena, the Pirates played in front

of a national TV audience on ESPN2, and had the opportunity to knock off the No. 1 team in the CAA in front of a very enthusiastic crowd of 6,865.

Then came Mario Mullen to break up the spirit.

The junior from Virginia Beach connected on 11 of 12 field goal attempts for 27 points in leading the Old Dominion Monarchs to a 81-73 victory over ECU. Petey Sessoms added 17 points for the Monarchs, who improved to 11-2 in the CAA and 16-11 overall.

"We're lucky to get a win down here," First year ODU coach Jeff Capel said. "It is a very tough place to play - they've got a really good situation down here at East Carolina with what they have done to the arena."

"I thought it was a well-played basketball game," said Capel. "Both teams competed very hard. Sometimes when you play hard, as both of these teams played, it is not a pretty game. We just got some

Gill's 13 points, held a 35-33 lead at halftime, but the Monarchs hit 17-of-23 field goals in the second half to pull away.

"You look at the stats and it was amazing that we had a chance to win the game," ECU head coach Eddie Payne said.

"They shot 70 percent for the second half and 60 percent for the game."

The game was closely contested throughout until the Monarchs went on a 17-6 run in the second half to take a 68-58 lead with just under five minutes remaining.

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Edwards leads off 1995

Former Clinton star returns to natural position



Lamont Edwards
Aaron Wilson
Staff Writer

Early this season, Lamont Edwards has stepped up in a big way filling two new roles for the Pirate baseball team. The starting

second baseman and leadoff hitter is hitting .429 after three games, and leads the team in runs scored and stolen bases. He has also been impressive in the field, committing just one error so far this year.

Success has not come easily for Edwards, who waited his turn as a freshman in a reserve outfield role before finishing fourth on the team in batting last year with a .317 average.

After a productive summer with the Arlington Senators in a Washington D.C.-area summer league, expectations are high for Edwards. He led the Senators in batting (.360) and stole 17 bases.

"Lamont Edwards is a player that has paid his dues," Overton said. "He was a backup player on an outstanding 1993 squad. Last year, he proved he is a Division-I hitter. I have every confidence that this year he will prove to everyone associated with college baseball that he is an outstanding prospect for the professional scouts."

Edwards has the size (6-2, 200), speed and natural ability to

play second base. He has good bat speed and a strong arm that he developed playing in the outfield.

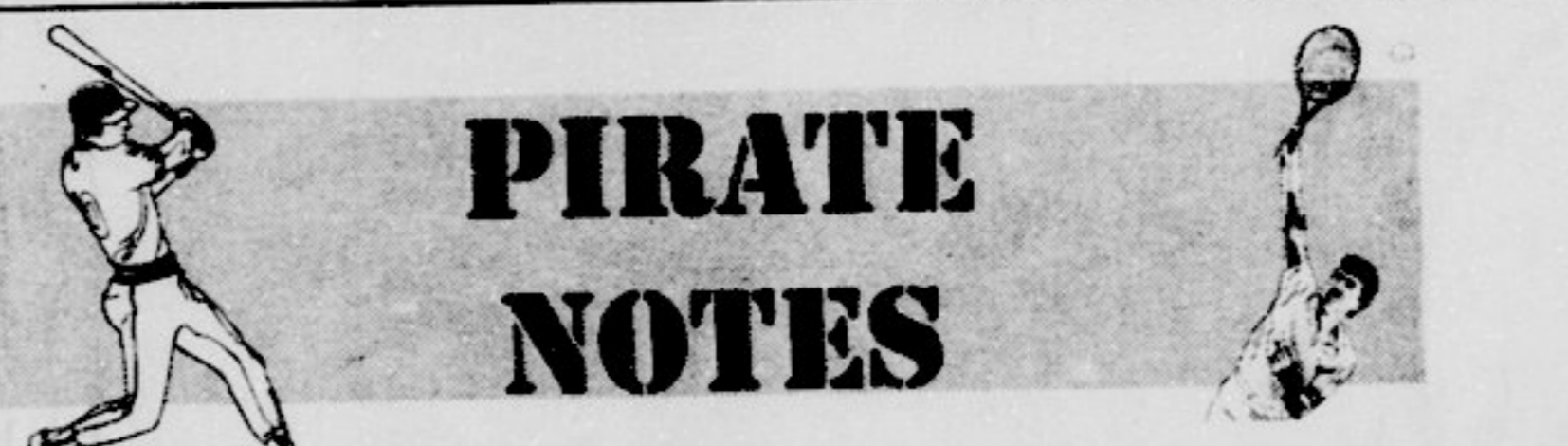
"The couple of scouts that I have talked to want to see me hit for more power and work hard at my new position," Edwards said. "I'm not too worried about getting drafted and all of that stuff. I just try to concentrate on school and baseball."

With the loss of First-Team All-CAA outfielder, Jamie Borel to the Detroit Tigers organization Coach Overton has to replace ECU's all-time stolen base leader, who was a star leadoff hitter during his tenure as a Pirate.

"I knew somebody had to step up and be the leadoff hitter," Edwards said. "I felt like I had the speed to be a productive baserunner and a good eye to not swing at bad pitches and get on base. So far, it has worked out real well, and we are scoring a lot of runs."

Edwards was an All-State selection.

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Drew Bourque led the charge with five goals as the ECU lacrosse club team dominated their season opener in a 13-2 rout of the UNC Tarheels on Saturday.

ECU easily controlled all phases of the game, winning 13 of 16 faceoffs while taking 23 shots on goal (57% success rate), compared to the Tarheels' 9 (22%).

Brendan McLaughlin added three goals to the Pirates' total, while John Provost registered two more. Steve Dittmars, Sean Sullivan and Bernie Hunsicker also found net in the victory.

ECU will face off with UNC-Wilmington on Saturday before playing Wesleyan on Sunday. Both games are at the allied health fields at 2 p.m.

(SID) - ECU's women's track team competed in the Collegiate Invitational, hosted by George Mason University, in Fairfax, Va. last Sunday. Lady Pirate Alexis Jacks placed third in the 500M preliminaries with a time of 1:17.61, a new ECU indoor record.

Freshman Sandra Teel finished fourth in the high jump with a leap of 5-04.25, also a new record.



Cindy Szymanski

Lady Pirate Cindy Szymanski also broke an indoor record in the 1000M with a time of 2:58.37.

On Friday, Feb. 17, they competed in the UNC Indoor Invite in Chapel Hill. ECU was represented in the shot put, jumping events, 55M and the 55HH. Lady Pirate Lave Wilson finished sixth in the triple jump with a mark of 37-08.0.

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"Operation Bass" kicks off Red Man

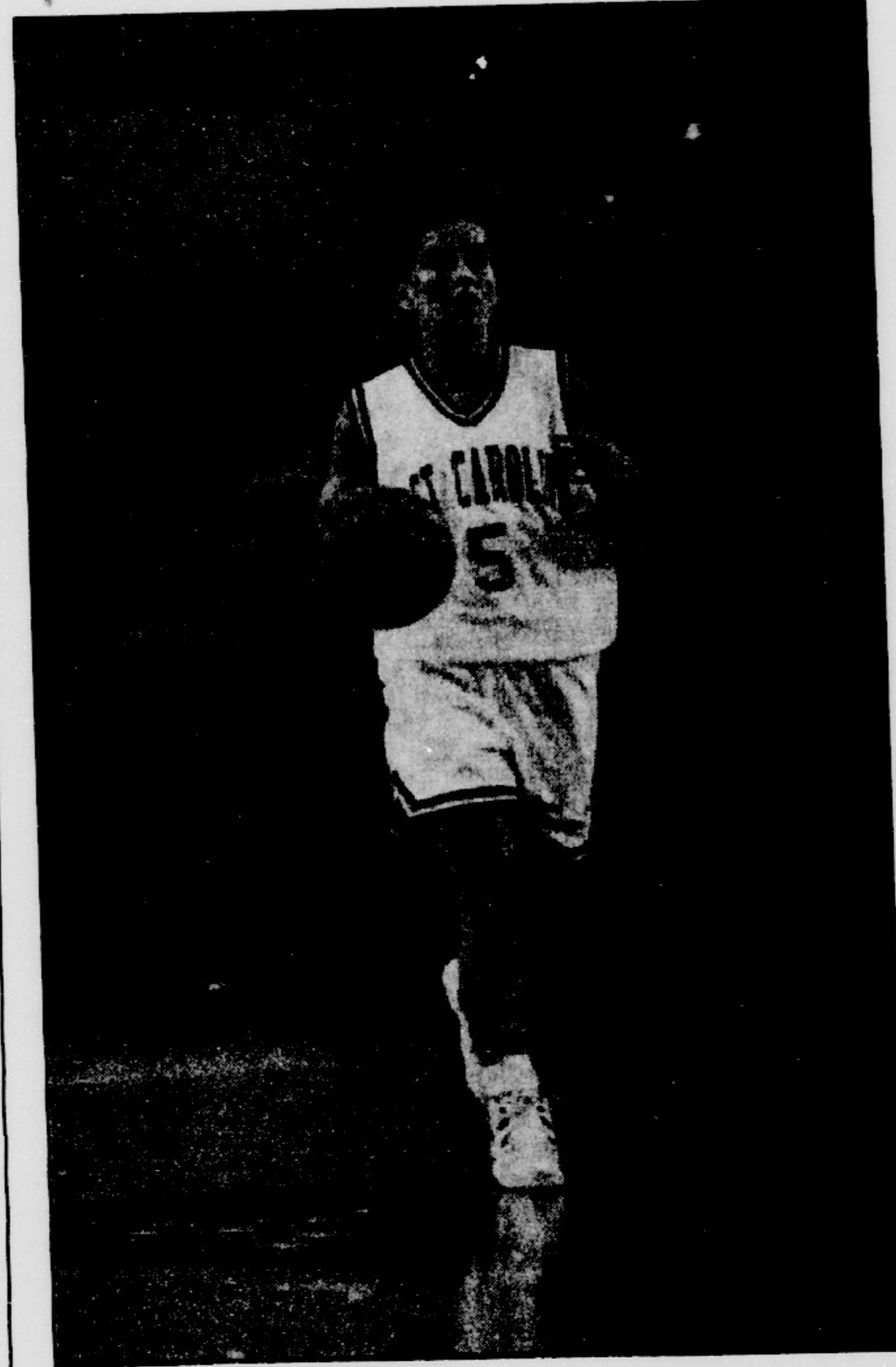
First of the six-event season begins on Mar. 5

Operation Bass will conduct the first Red Man bass fishing tournament of the Piedmont Division, March 5, 1995, on Kerr Lake at Henderson Point, signaling the start of the six-event Piedmont Division Red Man season. Entry deadline for the event is Feb. 22. Late entries are accepted with a late fee.

Five other Operation Bass-managed Red Man events will make up the Piedmont Division of 1995 as follows: March 26, Gaston-Easton Ferry, entry deadline March 15; May 7, Potomac River-Smallwood State Park, entry deadline April 26; July 9, Kerr Lake-Henderson Point, entry deadline June 28; Aug. 27, James River-Osborne Landing, entry deadline August 16; and Sept. 17, Kerr Lake-Henderson Point, entry deadline Sept. 6.

The top 30 fishermen in the Piedmont Division after the six qualifying events will advance to one of five Regional Championships

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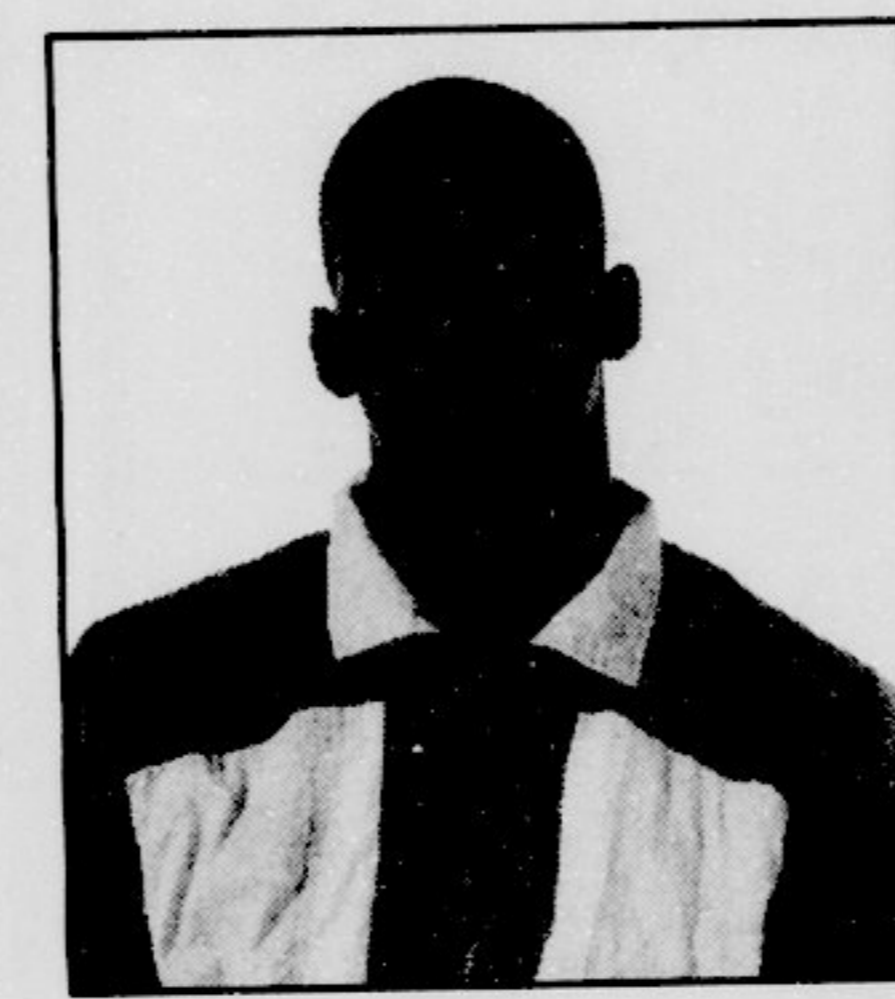
Runnin' the floor

Danielle Charlesworth is the on-court leader for head coach Rosie Thompson and the ECU Lady Pirate basketball team. She transferred to ECU after her first season at the University of Richmond after playing her high school ball in Raleigh, N.C.

Photo by HAROLD WISE

Former four-event H.S. track star adapts to ECU

Two-sport star gives up football to focus on Pirate track team



Brian Johnson

Drew Goettman
Staff Writer

Not one, two or three, but four state high school-level track titles in one day...it's a collegiate track coach's recruiting dream. At ECU, it's a reality, in the person of sophomore Brian Johnson.

While at Beaufort (S.C.) High School, Johnson was a four-year letterman in track and football as a wide receiver. The home-state recruiters from the University of South Carolina and Clemson actively courted Johnson, but it was the word of an impressed colleague that brought Johnson to the attention of veteran

Pirate track head coach Bill Carson.

Carson was at his first indoor-outdoor meet of the 1992-93 season, when he got the tip from a rival coach about a South Carolina senior who could do both track and football.

"The coach from [University of] South Carolina came up to me and said, 'Coach, there's a kid in South Carolina that I think would really fit the nature of your program,'" Carson said.

When Carson returned to Greenville, he did his homework on Johnson and made several efforts to contact him, but was not able to reach him that week.

Within a couple of days, Carson received a call from the Pirate football office. They were looking at a combination football-track athlete...named Brian Johnson.

"Well, a little light bulb went off," Carson said. "So then when I talked with Brian, and saw his size, I knew what he could do because I had checked that out. His times and all were very legit. I knew that he was going to have a good [high school] senior year."

Both athletic offices worked together with Brian in an effort to sign him to both sports for the Pirates.

"I told Brian if [ECU] football did not take him, that I would, and give

him a full scholarship," Carson said. "He could participate in football if he chose to."

"Well, that's exactly what happened," Carson said. "Football signed the primary people. They didn't take Brian - and I did. Brian chose not to play football just simply because of academics. He's about a 2.4 [GPA] student now, his decision was good. It's worked out well."

The transition from high school to college was fairly smooth for Johnson.

"I felt like I could adapt easily because [Greenville is] a small town kind of like my hometown," Johnson said.

Johnson's freshman year as a track athlete was far from easy, though. Trouble began during the second indoor-outdoor meet of his first season.

"He hurt a hamstring outdoor trying to race two All-Americans," Carson said. "He led them at the 200, and then *poof!*"

"Last year was doomed from the beginning, because I got hurt and I got red-shirted for the rest of the season," Johnson lamented. "Then I finally started running outdoors, and I got hurt again - so I never got the chance to run open events. I just ran

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Crawdads go on-line to sell goods

N.C. minor league franchise joins the Internet

(AP) - Already one of the hot merchandising commodities in the country, the Hickory Crawdads have become the first minor league baseball team on the Internet.

Internet surfers can check out the catchy crustacean logo on the full-color electronic catalog, and download order forms for Crawdads caps and T-shirts to their printers.

Wired-in baseball junkies can catch up on team news, trades, schedules and even send questions to the team's management.

Still to come: Game statistics and player profiles, with photos, and ultimately, E-mail souvenir orders.

"Everything I read says this is the wave of the future in marketing and merchandising, and we wanted to catch it early," Marty Steele, the Crawdads' vice president of baseball operations, told The Charlotte Observer.

The Crawdads, the Chicago White Sox affiliate in the Class A

South Atlantic League, aren't the first baseball team on the Internet. The major league Seattle Mariners beat them to that distinction.

The Crawdads connection is the latest feature of North Carolina NetWorks, a service offered through the World Wide Web. The Web is an increasingly popular segment of the worldwide computer network called Internet, which requires a fee to access.

John Ellis, a Catawba Valley Community College professor, started NetWorks about two months ago to offer tourism information for visitors' bureaus in 13 North Carolina cities. It also carries advertising, for a fee, for Hickory's furniture dealers and for the upcoming Southern Spring Show in Charlotte.

But it's the Crawdads connection that draws the surfers.

Before Feb. 2, when the Crawdads went on-line, the most people who had tapped into Ellis' service in one day was 845. On Feb. 6, Ellis, who gets a fee from the Crawdads for providing access to the Internet, got 3,140 "hits."

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Drug use hurt '80s Mets

(AP) — The New York Mets partied even harder than they played in the 1980s, according to former star Darryl Strawberry.

In the Feb. 27 issue of Sports Illustrated, Strawberry says widespread alcohol and drug abuse hurt the Mets.

"If we wouldn't have partied so much, we would have won more," says Strawberry, who played for the Mets from 1983-90. "We had a team full of drunks. We'd go into a town and couldn't wait to go out drinking and partying, always asking each other, 'Hey, where you going tonight?'"

"If we had 24 guys on the team in those days, at least half of them were hard drinkers or drug users. That was a hard-living team."

Strawberry and former Mets teammate Dwight Gooden are featured in a cover story entitled "The Dead End

Kids." Both were National League Rookies of the Year, both have been troubled by alcohol and drug abuse, and both are currently suspended from major league baseball.

Former Mets trainer Steve Garland said that after Gooden got out of a rehab center in 1987, the pitcher told him the team had a drug problem.

"He talked to me about how prevalent the drug use was on the team," Garland told SI. "He started calling off names. He rattled off more than 10 — more than half the team. Probably around 14 or 15. And I thought the '84, '85 and '86 teams were wilder."

The story traces the downfall of Strawberry and Gooden, who helped the Mets win the World Series in 1986.

Strawberry was released by the San Francisco Giants and suspended from baseball for 60 days on Feb. 6 after test-

ing positive for cocaine. "It became a lifestyle for me," Strawberry says of his alcohol and drug use. "I played games when I was drunk, or just getting off a drunk or all-night partying or coming down off amphetamines."

Gooden, who became a free agent last October, was suspended twice last year after flunking drug tests. The second suspension covers the entire 1995 season.

Gooden says his problems started with beer, which led to hard liquor, then cocaine.

"If I don't drink, I have no desire to use coke," he says. "You could put a bag of coke in front of me right now and I'd have no desire for it at all."

Gooden and Strawberry have been treated for alcohol and drug problems, but both have suffered relapses.

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The Crawdads had the second-most popular logo in all of minor league baseball in 1993 and will finish in the top five in merchandise sold for the 1994 season, Steele predicted. Other popular teams include the Durham Bulls, the Rancho Cucamonga (Calif.) Quakes and the Toledo Mud Hens.

Under the licensing agreement with Major League Baseball, however, minor league teams get only 9 percent of the revenue from such merchandise as caps and jackets bearing their logo. That's because the minors are piggybacking on the majors' souvenir-distribution system.

But the Crawdads keep all the profit on anything they sell out of their own warehouse at one of the Crawdad's Hole stores or through their printed catalog, Steele said.

Right now, the Crawdads don't have enough computer power to get on the Internet from their offices, much less accept electronic orders for their wares. Internet shoppers

will have to print the team's order form off the computer and mail or fax it in.

"But by the end of the season, we'll have our computers upgraded and be ready for E-mail orders," Steele said.

Baseball executives will be watching the Crawdads' Internet experiment closely, said Miles Wolff, publisher of Baseball America, a weekly newspaper that covers minor league baseball.

"If they are successful, they'll have everyone else in minor league baseball copying them," said Wolff, who owned the Durham Bulls for 12

years until he sold the team in 1991.

"Until the world is a little more plugged in computer-wise, I see this as having a limited impact on the sale of team-logo merchandise to start with. But you never know. This could be the start of a trend."

For those who want access: NetWorks' address is URL <http://www.hickory.nc.us/ncne/tworks>. From there, access the Crawdads menu by clicking on the words "professional sports" on the main screen. Or click on the main icon, and when the N.C. state map comes up on the screen, click on the Hickory locator dot.

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PIRATES from page 13

breaks down the stretch, made some big plays, got some big rebounds and made some clutch free throws."

The Monarchs were 19-of-26 (73%) from the line, while the Pirates were 5-of-7. Chuckie Robinson added 12 points and a whopping 13 rebounds to ECU's totals. Tim Basham added 12 while guards Skipp Schaeffbauer Tony Parham each added 11 for the Pirates, who dropped to 16-10 overall and 6-7 in

the CAA, holding fourth place. "Our kids played hard and tried in spurts, but there was a little slight toughness that ODU had tonight," said Payne.

The Pirates wrap up the regular season on Saturday night at Williams Arena when they host in-state rival UNC-Wilmington. ECU will try to avenge an earlier loss they suffered from the Seahawks. Tip-off is set for 7:00 p.m.

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Lewis Live Releases Award, CITGO Cup Challenge Award, Old Milwaukee NA Rookie-of-the-Year, Abu Garcia Big Bass and Energizer/Eveready Winning Combination Award.

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ECU will break from competition for two weeks in preparation for the ECAC Indoor Championships to be held on March 4-5 in Syracuse, N.Y. Carla Powell, Shantell Carter, Cindy Szymanski, Jennifer Kalanick, Saundra Teel and Amanda Johnson

will compete in the championship meet.

"We have six going to the ECAC indoor meet, which is impressive because it is the most we've ever sent to the indoor championship," said ECU coach "Choo" Justice.

EDWARDS from page 13

tion at second base, lettering four years when he played for Clinton High School. He also earned all-conference honors in football and basketball.

Making the transition from the outfield to second base hasn't been easy because of the 30 pounds that he has put on since last playing the position. The weight gain has both positive and negative aspects.

"It isn't uncomfortable, but I just have to get used to carrying this weight," Edwards said. "I have spent a lot of time in the weight room since I started school here, and it has really helped me to improve my power."

As far as goals go, Edwards doesn't set any individual goals except getting on base a lot and improving his batting average. Areas he wants to improve on are stealing more bases by getting a better jump on the pitcher, and to cut his swing down to make better contact with the ball.

The double-play combination of Edwards and shortstop Chad Puckett looks to be outstanding because of Puckett's experience at the position and Edwards' outstanding range and strong arm.

"I really like playing with Chad because he has played the position for a couple years now, and he is one of the best defensive players on the team," Edwards said. "Once we get used to playing together we should really be good at turning the double play. One thing I have to get used to is pivoting and making the throw to first when runners slide

and try to take me out. You have to make the tag and throw really fast to get the job done."

The team was picked to finish fifth in the CAA, a prediction based upon the graduation of the majority of the pitching staff.

"We are a young team, but we do have a lot of talent," Edwards said. "I think we can finish first in the conference because this is a much closer, unified team than last year. Coach Overton is a great coach. He teaches us to play with reckless abandon, and play as hard as we can every inning."

Edwards began his career at East Carolina as a two-sport athlete, playing football and baseball. At wide receiver Edwards excelled in several spring scrimmages, but baseball has always been his first love.

"I was going to be drafted, but I decided to give football a shot before I was committed to baseball full-time," Edwards said. "I think it just takes a lot of hard work to practice both sports, and it wore me out. Besides, baseball is definitely my favorite and better sport, so I feel like I made the right decision."

Making the right choices is very important for the information processing major, and he regularly speaks with young people in the community as a role model.

"I talk to a lot of kids about baseball, but I really like to tell them how important it is to stay in school and out of trouble," he said. "If they want to play sports they have to work hard in the classroom and at their sport."

JOHNSON from page 13

relays." Johnson has had a summer and fall of good health and recuperation to prepare him for his sophomore year.

"Over the summer, I was just working out...laying low, just trying to recover from the injury," Johnson said.

At the moment, the worst enemy of the men's track team is the combination of the cold, wet weather experienced continuously for a two-to-three week period in February, plus the flu is making the rounds with all of Carson's athletes.

"Our team is sick," coach said. "We've had the flu just rampage through us. We have nowhere to work out. I have an NCAA Relay Team right now - but we can't get it there."

In the past 27 years that Carson has guided the men's track program for the Pirates, he has built a strong reputation for ECU track, especially in the relays. ECU, however, is one of the few Division I NCAA schools without an indoor track practice facility; when the weather is wet and under 40 degrees outside, he can't afford to run the health risk of practicing his athletes hard.

Once the weather breaks and Carson can get his runners outside, everyone expects a strong effort from the Pirates.

"It's going great, really," Johnson said. "We're getting real close to qualifying for the nationals...and once we get everybody healthy, and get over the sicknesses, we should be able to do it."

Carson intends to shift Johnson's role in the relays from the first leg to

the second leg of a four-man relay team.

"I've been using him as the lead-off leg," Carson said. "I'm going to switch that. I'm going to lead off with [sophomore Lewis] Harris, and put Brian second, because I don't think anybody around is going to have a better second leg than what Brian is, with his speed and the combination."

"The second leg is just as important, if not as important, as the anchor leg," coach explained. "Brian can take the baton on the second leg, make that cut, stay a little wide, don't get dragged down into Lane One, and use his long stride...and he'll be very beneficial."

Considering the problems Johnson has experienced in the past several months, his mind is focused on one area the strongest.

"For this year, my main goal is to stay healthy," Johnson said. "Through-out college, I want to get All-American - maybe run in the trials for the Olympics."

Johnson, in reviewing his teammates, has a very balanced view of the men's track squad.

"We don't have really one standout performer," Johnson said. "Everybody contributes...everybody basically runs the same thing, and no matter who runs the event or what relay, the times will pretty much be the same. Instead of just depending on one person, it's more like a group effort."

All in all, Carson is confident that Johnson will carry his part of the load for the 1994-95 meets.

"I think that he's going to have a very good year," Carson said. "He's very sound."

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ESPN from page 1

forms, would still be committed for non-ESPN games."

"This particular TV agreement," Hart said, "which is very unique in nature, will be the foundation for ECU athletics to plan and implement the first comprehensive exposure package that will take this program into the next decade."

"ECU will have a chance to wrap [the ESPN coverage] with regional and local exposure, and beyond football and basketball, to include baseball, women's soccer, volleyball, and to have some telecasts that will truly maximize the exposure for the total program as we approach the turn of the century."

ESPN has televised live five previous football games involving ECU - the 1994 Liberty Bowl, 1992 Peach Bowl and regular-season games against Illinois (1991), Southern Miss (1992) and Syracuse (1993).

"ESPN is pleased to have entered into this multi-year agreement which includes football coverage on both ESPN and ESPN2," Aresco said. "This unique arrangement will provide ESPN the opportunity to showcase quality ECU football and will continue our successful association with ECU athletics."

By 1996, ESPN is projecting to have a viewing market of 65-70 mil-

lion homes, while ESPN2 will reach at least 30 million homes. ESPN2, since its inception two years ago, has been accepted by many cable systems, is currently available in over 18 million homes and is growing at a more rapid pace than did ESPN when it began.

"We have a uniform signal, meaning we are broadcast nationally," Aresco said. "We have become, in many respects, the national outlet for college football. What you have now among the networks is a regionalization, with the exception of the Notre Dame games on NBC."

Over the years, a combined Thursday-Saturday package of Pirate football will be seen on the two networks, with approximately a 50-50 split on each network.

The Thursday night football games are some of the most watched each week, because they are nationally televised. Also, a Thursday night game kicks off the weekend, thereby monopolizing

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ESPN has major football deals in place with teams in the ACC, SEC, Big East, Big Ten and the WAC conferences. All of the deals have ESPN and ESPN2 components, as ESPN2 will be covering more football in the coming years than during the past two seasons.

"In looking at East Carolina down the road," Aresco said, "there are obviously some very attractive games - Miami visits, West Virginia visits, Syracuse, Kentucky...there are a number of attractive games that we will look at carefully."

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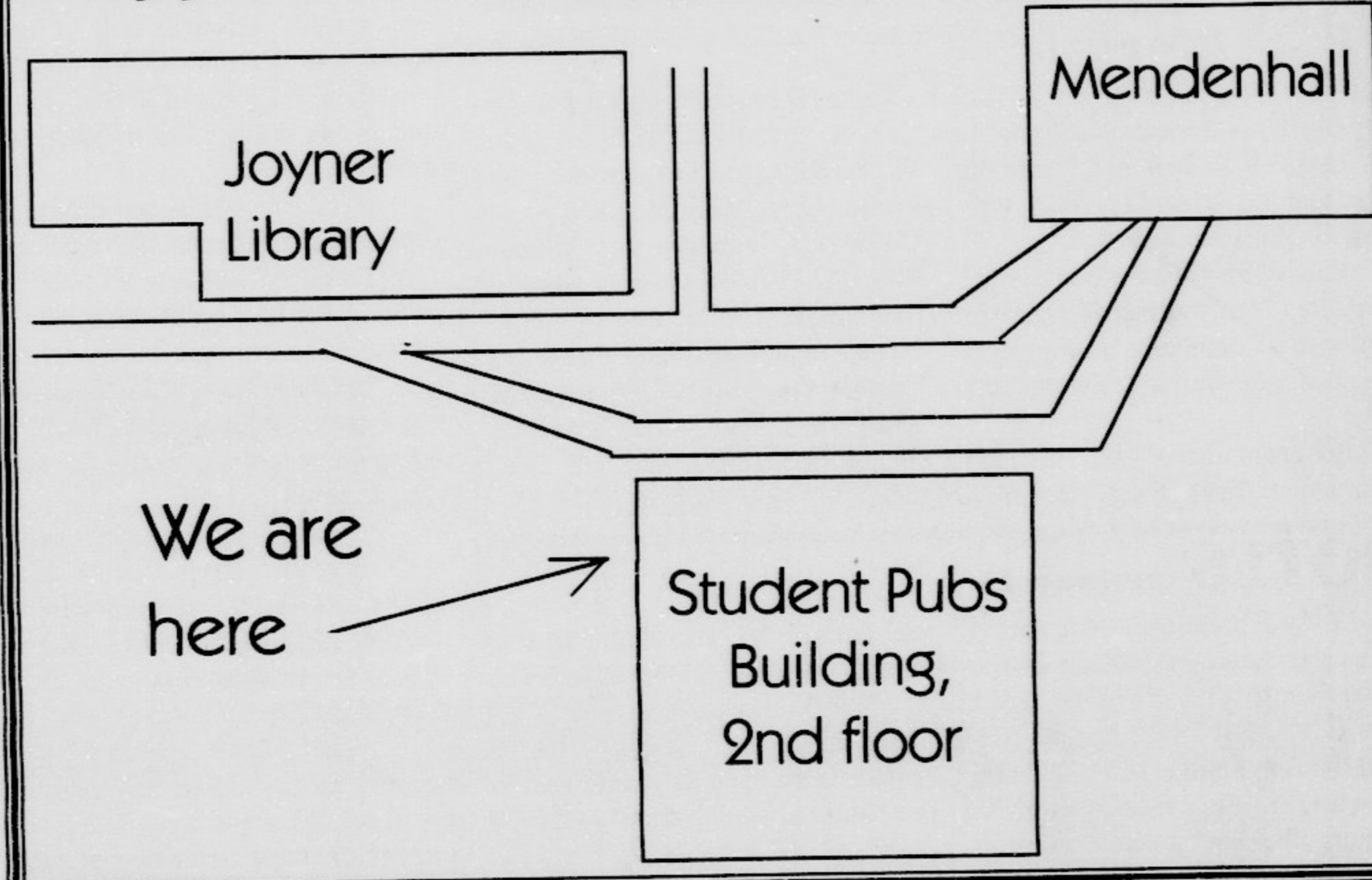
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Individuals interested in serving on the ECU Honor Board may pick up applications starting Friday, February 24 at 210 Whichard Bldg. or the SGA Offices in Mendenhall Student Center. Completed applications are due Tuesday, March 14

at 210 Whichard. Karen Boyd, Advisor: for further information call 328-6824.

EXSS MAJORS CLUB

EXSS majors club workshop, presented by the UNCW Majors Club. Where: Minges 142-143. When: Saturday February 25.

Free to all members, majors, and int ended majors. Workshop from 3:5 pm. Social from 5-6pm, and ECU vs UNCW game at 7pm.

GAMMA BETA PHI

Gamma Beta Phi will meet on Tuesday, February 28 at 5:00pm in Mendenhall room 244. All members are asked to attend.

COOL-AID BENEFIT

Phi Kappa Psi is having their 5th annual Cool-Aid Benefit for the Greenville Community Shelter at The Attic with Knocked Down Smilin' February 23rd. Call 758-6649 or 830-9536 for advance Tickets. All proceeds will benefit the shelter.

ECU CAMPUS MINISTRY ASSOCIATION

ALL STUDENTS AND FACULTY are invited to participate in a simple, pancake meal and act of worship to mark the beginning of the pre-Easter season of Lent. Lent is a time of sacrifice and reflection to prepare for Easter. The pancake supper will be held Tuesday, February 28 at the Methodist Student Center, 501 E. 5th St. at 5:30pm. A free will offering will be taken up for the support of the Homeless Shelter.

ASH WEDNESDAY AT THE NEWMAN CENTER

The Newman Catholic Student Center wishes to announce special March 1 Ash Wednesday Masses with the distribution of ashes: 8am at the Newman Center, 12 Noon in the Great Room of Mendenhall Student Center and 5:30pm at the Newman Center. The Newman Center is located at 953 E 10th St. 2 houses from the Fletcher Music Bldg.

EAST CAROLINA UNIVERSITY GOSPEL CHOIR

Annual Anniversary. Theme: "Let the Glory". 6:00pm in Wright Auditorium on February 25, 1995, Sat. Featuring various Choirs from around North Carolina. Admissions: \$2.00 for Students, \$3.00 for the Public.

MARDI GRAS EAST CAROLINA STYLE

Friday, February 24, 9:00pm - 2:00am, Mendenhall Student Center. Sponsored by the ECU Major Events Committee. No one under the influence will be admitted. Admission by valid ECU ID. One guest per person.

EAST CAROLINA FRIENDS

We will have a Full membership meeting for all old and new members Thursday Feb 23 starting at 5:00pm in Mendenhall Room 221. Please bring pen & paper & \$5.00 for dues. If you wish to order a T-shirt for you (and your friend) bring \$10.00 for each order. This meeting is for Big Friends ONLY. If you are unable to attend please tell your Director of Service. (Buying a T-shirt for your little friend is optional).

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There will be an ODK membership meeting at 5:15pm, February 23, 1995, MSC Great Room 3. All fall tappees and mem-

bers are encouraged to attend. We will discuss new member selection, the wall of honor, the mentor program, and the initiation ceremony. Call Lisa at 328-4796 or Thomas at 758-6587 for more information.

RACQUETBALL SINGLES TOURNAMENT

Recreational Services will be hosting a Racquetball Singles Tournament in Minges Coliseum beginning February 26. Pool play will conclude on Wednesday, March 1. A single elimination tournament will begin Tuesday, March 14. Interested parties should sign up in Christenbury 204 prior to 5pm on Thursday, February 23. For more details call Recreational Services at 328-6387.

SOFTBALL OFFICIALS

Anyone interested in becoming a softball official for Recreational Services should attend the softball officials meeting on Wednesday, March 1 at 5pm in BB 102. For additional information call Recreational Services at 328-6387.

MIDDLE GRADES ASSOCIATION

The Middle Grades Association will be meeting on February 27, 195 at 4:00pm in Speight 308.

BAPTIST STUDENT UNION

Pig and Chicken Pickin' at the Baptist Student Center Feb. 25 10am-3pm. For advance ticket information call Todd at 752-4646.

ECU SCHOOL OF MUSIC EVENTS

February 23 through February 27. Events will be held at A. J. Fletcher Recital Hall and FREE, unless otherwise noted. FRI FEB 24-FACULTY TRIO CONCERT, Fritz Gearhart, violin; Paul Taridi, piano; and Steven Laven, cello (8:00pm). SUN FEB 26-CHAMBER SINGERS, Rhonda Fleming, Conductor/Immanuel Baptist Church, Greenville, NC 3:00pm. MON FEB 27-FACULTY RECITAL, Elliot Frank, guitar, and Christine Gustafson, flute (8:00pm). TUES FEB 28-JUNIOR RECITAL, Matthew Blake, guitar(7:00pm). For additional information, call ECU-6851 or the 24-hour hotline at ECU 4370.

PERSPECTIVES: A Noon Time Lecture Series, Spring 1995

Monday, February 27, 12:30-1:30pm.

Brody 2W50. "Through the Moral Maze: Searching for Absolute Values in a Pluralistic World". Robert Kane, PH.D. Professor of Philosophy, The University of Texas at Austin. Sponsored by Department of Medical Humanities 816-2797. The public is invited to attend.

B-GLAD

B-GLAD (Bisexuals, Gays, & Allies for Diversity) will meet next Monday, February 27th at 8pm in the Multi-Purpose Room of Mendenhall Student Center (First Floor).

ECNAO

ECNAO will be meeting in Mendenhall Rm 14 on March 1st at 7:00pm. If you have any questions please contact Kim Sampson 752-2319.

ACADEMIC SURVIVAL SKILLS

Academic Motivation-Overcoming Procrastination: 2/27, 3:30pm-5:00pm. Scheduling & Time Management: 2/27, 2pm-3pm. Test & Performance Anxiety: 2/28, 2pm-3pm. Exam Preparation: 3/3, 1pm-2pm. Exam Strategies: 3/1, 11am-noon. Counseling Center. Call 328-6661 to register.

NATIONAL STUDENT EXCHANGE

There is still time to consider a student exchange or study abroad experience for next fall or spring but time is running short! You can study in California, New York, Colorado, or one of many other places including Alaska, Hawaii, and Puerto Rico next semester or year! Pay ECU tuition and study at another location! International sites also available! Visit International Programs on 306 E. 9th St., behind McDonald's, before spring break for the best selections!

CHALLENGES INCORPORATED

Volunteers wanted to participate as Captains for tandem bike tours for the Visually challenged. Training Classes are scheduled in Pitt County in March. Are you or do you know a visually challenged person? Challenges is now providing tandem bike excursions. There will be a ride in Pitt County on April 8th. Call Challenges Inc. 1-800-641-0814.

CYPRESS GROUP NEWS

ENVIRO-DRAMA "The Day the Music Died" Saturday, February 25, 4:00pm Elmhurst Elementary School. A play for children and adults about wildlife on the Tar River. Fun for all ages: Music, song, dance, acting, participation. For more information, call 321-6028.

ST PETER'S CHURCH

St. Peter's Church is sponsoring a second International Dinner in the Parish Hall on Saturday, March 4, 1995. The hearty German menu will feature Roulades of Beef and end with fresh apple pie. Tickets may be purchased after Mass, or from the Church Rectory, as well as at the door. Adults \$7.00 and Children \$3.50 (Children under five admitted free). Proceeds will benefit St. Peter's Church and School.

LOU RAWLS BENEFIT CONCERT

Tickets are on sale for the upcoming Lou Rawls Concert, to be held Saturday April 1st, 8:00pm at Wright Auditorium on the campus of East Carolina University. Proceeds from the concert will go toward the St. Peter's School Activity Center. General Admission Tickets are \$30.00. Tickets may be purchased from St. Peter's School: 752-3529 and Mendenhall Central Ticket Office: 328-7488. For other information contact: April Perry: 355-3506 or Rhonda Jordan, 355-5735/413-1737.

HONORS SEMINAR PROPOSALS FOR SPRING SEMESTER 1996

The Honors Program Committee will be pleased to consider proposals for Spring 1996 Honors Seminars at its meeting on Tuesday, March 21, 1995, beginning at 1:00 in Rawl Annex 142. (In contrast, proposals for Honors sections of existing courses should be arranged through your Unit Head and the Director of the Honors Program, Dr. David Sanders). To propose a seminar, use your own modified format of the basic ECU Course Proposal Form giving the proposed course number and title (from the list on the back of this sheet) and the course information following the format of Part II: "The Nature of the Course" of the ECU Course Proposal Form. All proposed seminars should be intended to be approved as Writing Intensive. And each proposal should also indicate the Unit Head's approval. 2-Submit 15 copies of your course proposal either to the Faculty Senate Office or to Doug McMillan as the Chair of the Honors Program Committee by March 13, 1995. 3- if at all possible, plan to appear at the March 21, 1995, Honors Program Committee meeting. Contact Doug McMillan to schedule an approximate time. Doug McMillan (English) Honors Program Committee Chair. CC 2119. Ext. 6667 or 6041


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