

## ECU welcomes Conference USA

### ECU football enters new era, new conference

Amanda Ross  
Sports Editor

The wait is over, now it's time for a celebration. After months of talks and planning, Conference USA Commissioner Michael Slive, officially told the media that ECU's football program is now a member of Conference USA.

"On behalf of the presidents of Conference USA it is my pleasure to announce that beginning with the 1997 season, East Carolina University will be a football member of Conference USA," Slive said. "This long awaited affiliation is the result of a lot of people both at the conference level and here at East Carolina University."

The deal was a collaboration of many officials at all levels.

"I think it's appropriate to call attention to at least two people, without whose effort, this never would have taken place and that's Chancellor Eakin and Athletic Director Mike Hamrick," Slive said.

On hand to answer questions were Eakin, Hamrick and football Head Coach Steve Logan. All seemed pleased and relieved that this day had finally come.

"It is a great day to be a Pirate," Eakin said. "It is also a great day to be a member of Conference USA and to be affiliated with all the institutions of the conference. We are joining, indeed, a wonderful collection of universities."

Tribute can also be paid to the players and coaches who have escalated this football program to another level.

"I want to pay tribute to our coach, Steve Logan, and his players who have represented this university so beautifully," Eakin said. "You know, athletics is in some respect a part of our university that can do us great ill or be a real source of pride and I want to say, under the leadership of the athletics program and Steve Logan and all the other coaches, we have a program that indeed does instill pride."

Without the Liberty Bowl appearances, the announcement today might have never happened.

"I'd be remiss if I didn't mention Steve Logan and the outstand-



Photo by PATRICK IRELAN

Conference USA Commissioner Michael Slive welcomes ECU into the new conference Wednesday morning. Chancellor Richard Eakin and Head Football Coach Steve Logan listen to the long-awaited announcement.

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## Officials prepare for kick-off

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The team's preparation is over; the administration's has only begun.

The football team has been getting ready for its first game since the Liberty Bowl victory last season. This Saturday the eyes of North Carolina will be sharply focused on Dowdy-Ficklen Stadium as ECU's football team takes on the East Tennessee State Buccaneers at 4 p.m. Aside from the obvious scouting by competing universities, other concerned parties will also be watching the game.

"Student Government is thrilled to have later football games and hopes that students enjoy themselves, but not at the cost of jeopardizing the university's image," Angle Nix, SGA president said.

Members of SGA are not the only ones concerned about Saturday's game.

"Make a commitment to come to the game [but] if we want a nationally ranked program, we have to show we're worth it. We've gone a long time without any problems and we don't need to start

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## New classes move off-campus

### Satellite sites offer degree programs

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News writer

Soon students will be completing degrees without stepping foot on campus.

Through a partnership with Craven and Carteret community colleges, ECU now offers three bachelor degree programs, which are available off-campus. These degrees include middle grades education, industrial technology, and information processing/administrative services.

Classes are offered on evenings and Saturdays and follow the same academic calendar as those offered on-campus. Admission requires the completion of general college re-

quirements or its equivalent of a two year associate degree that is usually obtained through a community college. Classes are held at Craven and Carteret community colleges and at Havelock Middle School.

When deciding where the program should be held, an informational survey, which was conducted in numerous locations, revealed that the areas surrounding Morehead and New Bern generated the most interest. The programs offered at Havelock Middle School serve the military population

at Cherry Point.

"I've set a goal to earn a degree from ECU. This has allowed me to do something I've wanted to do for

a long time," Michael Hudson said. "I think it's handled very, very well. It's something we've needed for a long time."

The off-campus program is aimed at the non-traditional student. These are people who hold down 40 hour a week jobs and also manage a family at home. The students do not have the time or the means to commute to Greenville everyday for regular

scheduled classes.

Hudson is currently working towards a degree on middle grades education at Carteret Community College. Mr. Hudson has had cancer for two years now, which makes traveling on an everyday basis difficult. The use of computer technology such as the Internet allows students, like Hudson, to pull down lessons in the event that they are unable to attend classes.

Expansion may occur if the general public generates enough interest. If this happens, the decision will then be left to ECU administration. Full-time staffing may pose a considerable problem in the future.

Dr. Paul F. Fendt is associate director of continuing education and feels that this problem can be combated with use of the Internet. "For faculty to cover their on-campus and off-campus duties is a real challenge," Fendt said.

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— Michael Hudson

## Hurricane Fran Update

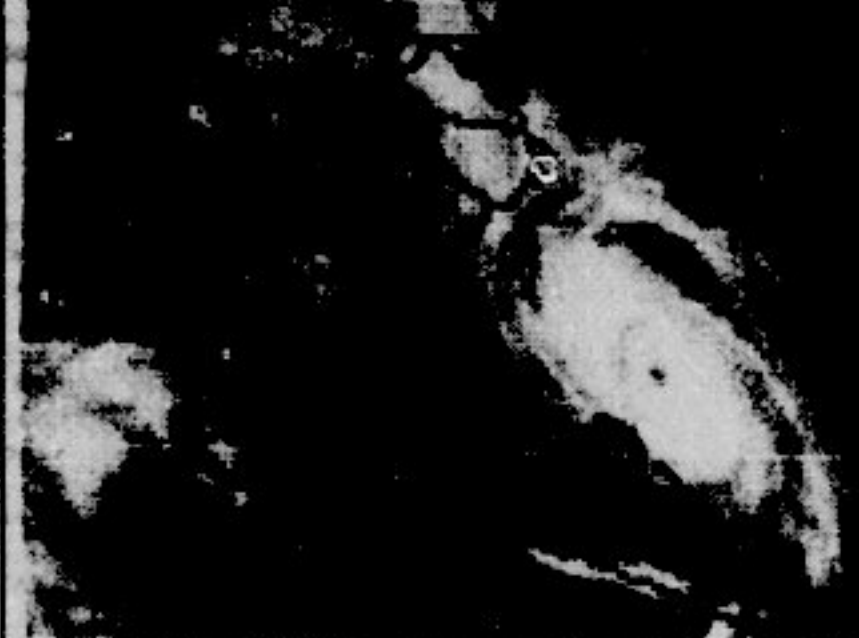


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As of Wednesday, Hurricane Fran was a category 3 with winds near 115 mph and is expected to intensify to a category 4 which carries winds of 130 mph to 155 mph.

Hurricane Fran may affect Pitt County as early as this morning. Gale force winds may be felt in our area by 11 a.m. today with up to 10 inches of rain being possible. Flooding is likely given the significant amount of rainfall over the past few days.

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All information is as of press time Wednesday.

"Do's and Do Not's" provided by Tom Pohlman of the Office of Environmental Health and Safety and CNN Storm Center.

## Need for financial aid increases

### Report shows more students in need of assistance

Angela Koenig  
News Writer

Each year the number of students seeking financial aid increases due to the rising cost of a college education.

The North Carolina Association of Colleges and Universities (NCACU) published its annual report "Financing Student Access to Higher Education" at the beginning of August which states that although North Carolinians benefit from a college education, the federal government is not likely to increase its level of support.

The effect of this is students will have to take a more active role in funding their education. The office of Student Financial Aid encourages students to ask questions and seek

help in applying for financial aid including scholarships.

Director Rose Mary Stelma said, "That's what we're here for, it's our job, and it's what we're supposed to do."

The financial aid office is also developing information sheets which will answer questions concerning assistance. In addition to this, students who have questions can access their office via e-mail at faques@ecuvm.cis.ecu.edu.

The Student Financial Aid office estimates that an in-state student who lives on campus will pay \$7956 this year for tuition and fees, etc. With more than 40 percent of ECU students receiving financial aid, a decrease in federal assistance will lower the number of students able to continue their education beyond high school.

Of the \$47.8 million in aid received by ECU, \$24.7 million is in the form of federal loans including Parent and Stafford loans. More than 3000 students receive Pell Grants, which are given only to those stu-

dents who exhibit significant financial need.

The NCACU's report states that it is necessary for the NC government to increase need-based grant funding. This will benefit society by lowering poverty, unemployment rates, crime and need for public assistance.

Although NC had the third largest increase in grant aid to undergraduates between 1990 and 1995, Georgia increased their aid by almost four times and Virginia by more than twice NC's rate.

"We encourage students to apply early (for financial aid). In August we have 150 to 175 students to apply during registration week because they get their bills [that day] and decide to apply [that day]," Ms. Stelma said.

Ms. Stelma warns students to be weary of companies offering scholarships lists for a fee. The same information may be obtained on the internet through the Financial Aid office. Their homepage links to FastWEB which lists scholarships, grants and loans.

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# Computer misuse on rise

Associate Dean reminds students of proper conduct

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Students who enjoy playing with the computers in any of the numerous labs around campus are aware of the many services and features that the computers have to offer. Some students are now using the Internet to plagiarize or cheat on their schoolwork, which is a cause of concern to professors and administration.

Karen Boyd, the associate dean of students expressed her concern over the increasing trend toward computer misuse, which is beginning to be prosecuted in some college judicial systems. Just last semester at UNC

Chapel Hill a student was caught using an on-line service to cheat in a class and went to the campus honor court.

There have been cases involving computer misuse at ECU, although not necessarily plagiarism.

"I've been here two years, and I've been having cases like this from day one," Boyd said.

Boyd says it is important that students realize that anything done on the computer, especially the e-mail, is subject to retrieval and is considered legitimate documentation.

"Anything you type on e-mail has the potential to be brought back up. It may not be able to be retrieved in its entirety, but in partiality it can be," Boyd said.

This is an especially relevant concern for students who use the computer here on campus, where that material is considered the property of the school.

"It is considered legal documentation, and it is the right of the computer owner to have it. Students need to realize that. It is the university's resources," Boyd said.

Web sites such as "Evil House of Cheat" and "School Sucks" have made it easier than ever for students to use the Internet to invent new ways to cheat. These sites offer student term papers just waiting to be downloaded. Boyd said that so far there have not been any plagiarism cases at ECU, but there have been other cases of unethical computer use.

"There are ways you could haze or harass over the computer. We have had a harassment violation," Boyd said. "We've had students who have posted stories of things that happened

that are not true."

The harassment case was adjudicated, and there was a hearing held, but Boyd could not comment further.

So far, there has not been any change in campus policy or the judicial system because the current policies are considered adequate for any action that needs to be taken.

"We have not written a special code for this, because everything in the handbook covers, in general, student behavior," Boyd said.

Students need to be aware of all the dangers and pitfalls of using e-mail, the Internet, and especially using the Net as a source for schoolwork. While some information taken off the Internet is considered research, some of it is just plain cheating.

## Student Health warns of STDs

Health educators talk to students about the risks of unsafe sex

Jennifer Barnes  
News Writer

A concern of ECU students is the risk of contracting a sexually transmitted disease.

Heather O. Zophy, health education coordinator at the Student Health Center, said that communication is the key to deciding what is the best form of protection for sexually active couples.

"Two people should communicate with each other before they become involved in any physical engagements," Zophy said. "Discuss all the what ifs of a sexual relationship."

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## Pair of players charged

Two football players cited

Jennifer Barnes  
News Writer

Two members of the ECU football team are facing criminal charges. An officer with the Greenville Police Department located and picked up one of the athletes at 500 S. Greene St.

Marcus Crandell, ECU's quarterback, was arrested on Sept. 3, 1996 and charged with a misdemeanor on one count of simple assault. Donald Yohn filed the complaint which will require Crandell to appear in court for trial on October 8, 1996.

Crandell was placed in custody with an unsecured bond of \$200.00. Ernest Timin, 21 another member of the football team was charged with second degree trespassing on July 17.

According to a statement released by Norm Reilly, sports information director, he is aware of Crandell's charges and has looked into the details.

"We are confident it will be resolved in due time," Reilly said. "We feel it is not appropriate to take any action at this point based upon the facts we know."

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## Lecturer discusses managed care

Professor/author brings insight to medical school

Susanne S. Dozier  
News Writer

On Tuesday, September 3, 1996, in the Brody Medical Sciences Building, Dr. E. Haavi Morreim discussed the future of managed care.

Morreim is a professor of human values and ethics at the University of Tennessee College of Medicine. Her lecture was part of a Perspectives series, sponsored by the ECU Medical School's department of Medical Humanities and the Bioethics Center.

Morreim has been noted for her numerous publications on bioethics and health policy. Recently, she published her new book, *Balancing Act: The New Medical Ethics of Medicine's New Economics*.

Morreim said, "I think we are going to see some terrific changes in the next few years of managed care." Morreim discussed current trends involving the advantages of personal choice and the disadvantages of bureaucracy and inflation in managed care situations. She also noted that "clutzy" economic management resulted in negative, im-

personal doctor-patient relationships.

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— Dr. Morreim, professor from the University of Tennessee

Morreim recognized defined money contributions to managed care, such as block grants, capitation and defined grants. These contributions act as functions of transfer-

ring economic risk. Also, vouchers for health care are provided by certain businesses across the United States. Such grants and

vouchers can mean savings for hospitals, insurance companies and patients.

On Management Services Organizations (MSOs), which also return spending, Morreim said, "the individual gets to keep some or all of what's left in the pot (money) at the end of the year."


In conclusion to her lecture, Morreim stated that health care benefits are usually held by employers. Eighty-four percent of employers who offer such health care usually offer one choice of health care. This one choice encourages employees to use their employers' specified plan.

For more information on the Perspectives series or other lectures at the ECU Medical School, contact the department of Medical Humanities at 816-2797.

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now," Layton Getsinger, associate vice chancellor of business affairs said. "The last thing we need to do is disrupt the game."

The police presence around Dowdy-Ficklen has always been apparent, but the ECU police officers are also gearing up for Saturday's game. "It's [number of officers] basically the same as last year," Teresa Crocker, ECU police chief said. "[The home games] haven't had any major problems in the stands in two years."

"There is a zero tolerance for alcohol inside the stadium. Those found with alcohol will be ejected from the stadium, given a state citation and campus appearance ticket," Crocker said.

Tailgating stands as a time-honored tradition at ECU. The lots at the Allied Health building and Harrington Field are the only places where tailgating activities will be allowed.

ECU uniformed and plain-clothes officers, along with Alcohol Law Enforcement (A.L.E.) agents,

will be patrolling the tailgating areas enforcing alcohol laws. Students and alumni should remember that there are no kegs, glass containers or pig cookers allowed in these areas during tailgating. Beer and unfortified wine, such as wine coolers and table wine, are the only alcoholic beverages allowed during tailgating.

The tailgating fields will close and remaining people will be asked to leave the area at the start of the game. In order to enter the stadium, students must have a valid ECU I.D. when showing their student tickets at the gate. Gates 5 and 6 are designated as student gates for this weekend's game.

*USA Today* currently has the ECU program ranked number 31 and several other national publications rank the Pirates in the top 25. With the increased media attention focused on Greenville, ECU's administration is taking every precaution to ensure the safety and well-being of all who attend Saturday's game.

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new relationship. Zophy advises not to look at a person to decide if he has an STD or not.

"STDs do not discriminate against age, race, status or sex," Zophy said. "One out of every four college students estimated to be infected by an STD."

Zophy said students should not wait until they start showing signs of an infection before acting on it. It could be days, weeks, months, or even years before a person shows signs to some STDs. In fact, with diseases such as chlamydia and gonorrhea 80% of women and 20% of men will not show any symptoms.

N.C. leads the nation in gonorrhea cases. Zophy recommends that if students are going to be sexually active they should use some type of contraceptive.

"Latex condoms are one of the more effective ways to protect yourself," Zophy said. "To get the best protection from a condom one should make sure to put it on, use it, and take it off properly." Also, make sure you store it in a

cool place and use it before its expiration date. As well as watch for any rips or tears. Condoms can be bought at the Student Health Center at 15 for \$2.00. They are also sold at student stores, residence halls and local pharmacies at various prices.

Zophy knows that even if you use the best contraceptives available that abstinence is the only real protection.

"Before one becomes sexually active find out about your partner's past," Zophy said. "Testing is very important before starting a new relationship."

People under 25 account for two-thirds of the new STD infections in the U.S. each year. Students can receive an STD test at the ECU Student Health Center at a reduced cost. The price range from \$5-\$30.00.

If you have any questions or want more information concerning STDs, then contact Heather Zophy, health education coordinator, at Student Health Services, 328-6794.

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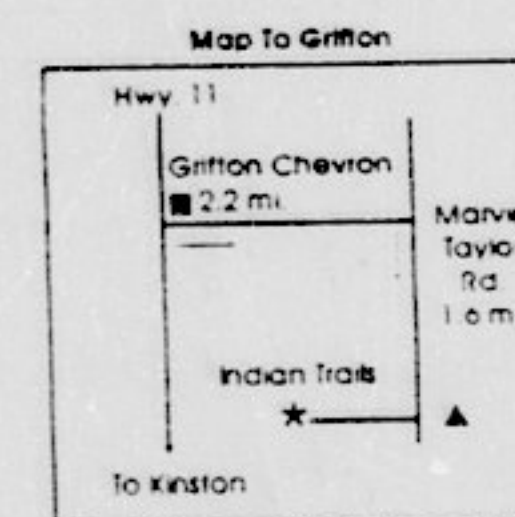
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## Thursday

### Our View

Tobacco supporters are furious with the recent reclassification of nicotine as an addictive substance. Even though we're in the heart of tobacco land, should we really be upset with the changes in store?

President Clinton approved the nation's toughest crack-down on tobacco directly affecting farmers in the eastern part of North Carolina. With ECU sitting in the heart of tobacco country, students whose families depend on tobacco money for their livelihood are undoubtedly following the situation closely.

While it is important to remember that this university lies in the middle of the conflict and has been shaped by students and educators alike whose families depend on tobacco, it is not necessarily appropriate to curse everything that attempts to regulate the industry.

For example, the recent crackdown on tobacco is an effort to reduce teen smoking by classifying nicotine as an addictive drug. Now the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) will be able to regulate the advertising and availability of tobacco products.

Just because tobacco is king in eastern North Carolina doesn't mean that we want the industry to have the freedom to target advertisements towards youths. These new regulations would prevent selling cigarettes in vending machines. Who can protest this? There are no beer and liquor vending machines which underage buyers can purchase alcohol from.

Lawmakers from across the state were furious at the President's decision.

"The president is declaring war on 76,000 North Carolinians who gain their livelihood in one form or another from tobacco," Sen. Jesse Helms, R.-N.C. said.

Tobacco farmers are worried that this is the first step in a series of government regulations that may ruin the industry. Still, comments like Helms' are overstated. This step in itself is a step towards protecting children from a life long addiction whose complications often result in death.

Underage smoking doesn't have the same taboo associated with it as underage drinking does. Unfortunately, since nicotine is an addictive substance, and it is generally more accepted by society than other addictive drugs, youths easily fall prey.

The new classification of nicotine as an addictive substance is an encouraging step towards addressing the seriousness of the problem of underage smoking.

Anything derogatory to the tobacco industry is not popular in this area. However, neither should anything be popular in this area that promotes underage smoking.

## Support the environment in '96

Having trouble finding an issue that you feel is important in election '96? If so, the reason is this year has been full of smoke screen politics, clouded issues and orchestrated conventions. Unfortunately, very little attention is being given to the environment when, ironically, so much is at stake. If the republicans gain control of the White House, they will start an all out war on the environment starting with: oil drilling in the Arctic National Refuge, development of Utah's wilderness, weakening the Endangered Species Act and the Environmental Protection Agency (plans that failed in the 104th Congress). Sound crazy? Well, if elected, Bob Dole, who incidentally, was given the rating of zero by the League of Conservation Voters, will help rewrite 25 years of promising environmental policy so that he can help his wealthy friends from big business and indus-

**Matt Downs**  
Opinion Columnist



try profit from weaker EPA regulations. Friends, who have provided literally millions of dollars to the Republican party and would expect a little in return.

Thus far, Bob Dole and his fellow Republicans have already tried to

repeal key provisions to the Clean Air Act and have successfully attached a clause into the budget reform bill that has ultimately led to the destruction of many of our old growth forests and dozens of ecosystems where timber harvesting was previously restricted. Not surprising from a man who sums up his environmental devotion by reporting that if elected he would "have common-sense environmental policies not policies that put thousands and thousands of people out of work." Loggers must really love this guy!

Fortunately, Bill Clinton offers more favorable environmental policies than his opposition. Clinton, who has fought hard against the Republicans' "war on the environment" has proclaimed that "when it comes to protecting the environment, we can't turn back." Don't help the Republicans destroy 25 years of vital environmental policy. Vote Bill Clinton.

"Human felicity is produced not so much by great pieces of good fortune that seldom happen, as by little advantages that occur every day."

— Benjamin Franklin

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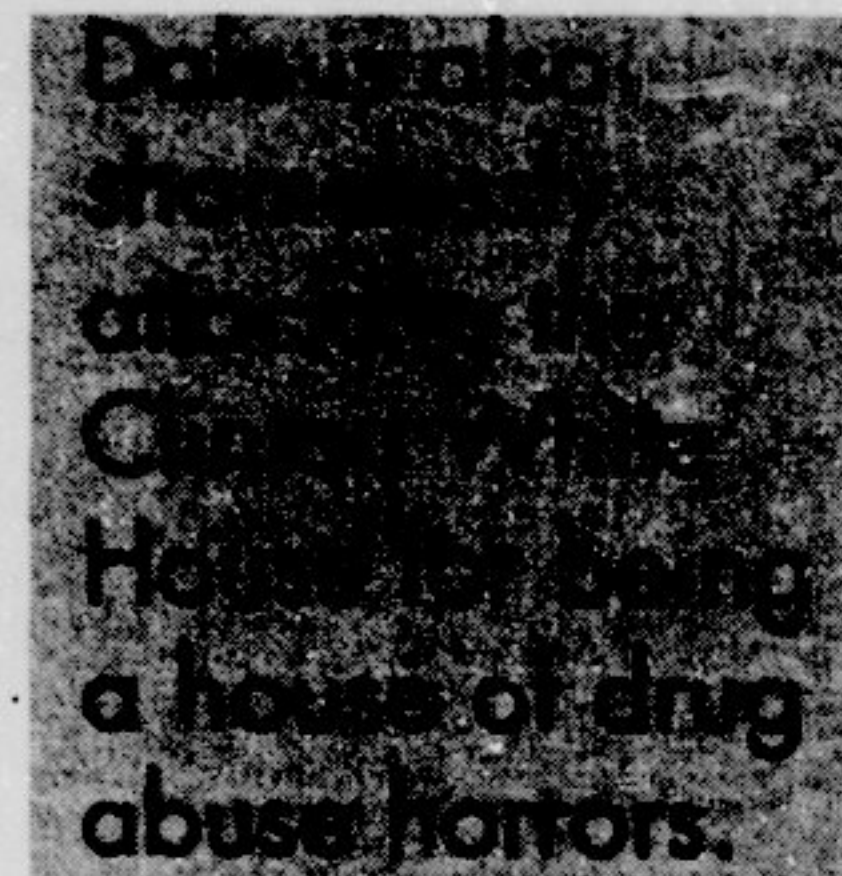
## Dole sells his soul

In this resiest of election years for the Democrats, the Radical Right is frantically trying to indict President Clinton in the court of public opinion. What I hear over and over again, just like a broken record is this character issue. Well, I'd like to throw a new album on the turntable; how about the lack of character exhibited by Bob Dole?

First, Bill Clinton is being unfairly attacked for the drug problems we have today. It's true that youth drug use has skyrocketed, but can we really blame the president? Clinton has increased funding for drug prevention and rehabilitation, so to blame Clinton for this is like blaming Governor Hunt for those darn potholes on U.S. 264. He is doing everything humanly possible to counteract this trend, but Bob Dole still has the g " to use this issue as a political football. Well, Mr. Dole, watch out for the fumble.

Dole is also shamelessly attacking the Clinton White House for being a house of drug abuse horrors. Besides the fact that these ridiculous allegations have no evidence or substance behind them, it's outrageous for him to talk about drug abuse. As the Senate Republican leader in 1992, Dole defended a republican nominee to the Treasury that had used cocaine as well as marijuana. All you smokers know that Bob Dole is sympathetic to your cause (he equated smoking with drinking milk), but now, cocaine junkies and crack users can take solace in knowing that Senator Dole stands behind you. My point is, if you

**Larry Freeman**  
Opinion Columnist



are going to defend coke users, then don't engage in cheap political drug attacks on a White House that has spent billions of dollars in trying to end this problem.

Secondly, let's talk about this supply-side economic crap that Mr. Dole is trying to pass off on us like Grandmother's fruitcake. What am I talking about? Well, Mr. Dole wants a tax cut to the tune of over \$500 billion. Sounds great, but how can anyone with the IQ of a salad bar (or hopefully higher) actually buy that he can simultaneously balance the budget, cut over half a trillion dollars in taxes, and not cut social security and medicare. I got news for you, Bob. There is no way in hell your program could be paid for, not even with the most liberal estimates of economic growth. I know my Economics professors are probably losing it right about now, but the god-awful disas-

ter that Ronald Reagan created is in danger of coming back again.

Yes, things were good in the 80's, but that was because his policies of short-term gains really screwed up our country in the long run. For one thing, under Reagan's tutelage, we had the largest disparity of income in our history. Am I biased? Probably, but conservative author Kevin Phillips and former Reagan budget director David Stockman aren't, and they agree with my general premise: That Reaganomics was an unfortunate sham.

Listen, I know President Clinton has his problems, but all these things that are being thrown against him (Whitewater, the FBI files, etc) are unsubstantiated, unproven and likely untrue. There isn't one scintilla of evidence that directly implicates the President or the First Lady in Whitewater. Don't forget that Gennifer Flowers and Paula Jones were paid by the Republican party to come forward with their stories. I think that most of us can see through all the fog and the mist and come to a basic conclusion: Like anyone, President Clinton isn't perfect, but he isn't the monster the Republicans want you to think he is. It is my hope that you all decide your candidate on the issues, and not some crap in the Enquirer. Since President Clinton delivered on his promises to reform welfare, to give us more jobs (10 million more), to cut the deficit in half, and to not let the Republicans touch student loans, I know who I'm voting for. Do you?

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# LIFE style



## SEPTEMBER

### 5 Thursday

Faculty Recital: Jeffery Jarvis, tuba, 8 p.m. in A. J. Fletcher Recital Hall.

Hendrix Theatre presents *Twister* at 8 p.m. through Sept. 7.

Disco Inferno at the Attic.

Doxy's Kitchen at Peasant's Café.

22nd Annual Collard Festival featuring the Supergit Band and the Fantastic Shakers Band, 6 p.m. through Sept. 7 in Downtown Ayden.

### 6 Friday

The F.A.N. Club: 5th Annual Saber Slash/Sun Splash/Orange Crush Concert, 4 p.m.-midnight in Mendenhall.

The Back Doors at the Attic.

Blue Rags at Peasant's Café.

Band of Oz in concert followed by the film *Apollo 13*, 5-8 p.m. at the N.C. Museum of Art in Raleigh.

Fuego del Alma at the 42nd Street Oyster Bar in Raleigh.

Independent Music Festival with Tractor Hips, Sharkquest, Bruther Monk, Joby's Opinion, Regatta 69, Plutopia and Whiskeytown at Cat's Cradle in Carrboro.

### 7 Saturday

Purple Schoolbus at the Attic.

Unsound at Peasant's Café.

The Return of The Mothership, The 20th Anniversary Reunion of George Clinton & the P-Funk All-Stars featuring Parliament, Funkadelic, Bootsy Collins, Bernie Worrell and The Brides of Funkenstein at Walnut Creek in Raleigh.

Lenny Marcus Trio featuring Chip McNeill, and Squirrel Nut Zippers and the North Carolina Jazz Repertory Orchestra at the N.C. Museum of Art in Raleigh.

Fuego del Alma at the Festival del Pueblo in Chapel Hill.

Doxy's Kitchen with Acoustic Workshop at Cat's Cradle in Carrboro.

### 8 Sunday

Mickey Mills and Steel at the Underwater Café.

House of Blues Barnburner Tour with Joe Cocker, Buddy Guy, The Fabulous Thunderbirds, and The Radiators at Walnut Creek in Raleigh.

### 9 Monday

Carbon Leaf at the Underwater Café.

The Wallflowers with Maypole at Cat's Cradle in Carrboro.

### 10 Tuesday

Hipbone at Peasant's Café.

Sebahod with Those Bastard Souls and Elliott Smith at Cat's Cradle in Carrboro.

### 11 Wednesday

Comedy Zone featuring Michael Reed at the Attic.

Joe Louis Walker & Boss Talkers at Cat's Cradle in Carrboro.

## WEEKEND Films at Hendrix

### Twister

Those of you who didn't want to fork out cash to see *Twister*, one of this summer's biggest cinematic blockbusters, will get one last chance to see this roller-coaster film on the big screen, and it won't cost you one red cent. Hendrix Theatre, ECU's premier movie theater, will have free showings of *Twister* Thursday-Saturday at 8 p.m., making this the best movie deal around.

While a film centering on a couple of love-torn tornado chasers may result in a lame script with clichéd characters, it also results in some breathless action sequences filled with state-of-the-art special effects.

Director Jan DeBont, who managed to make Keanu Reeves somewhat exciting in *Speed*, makes the most of his special effects team and creates an intensely fun brain-candy film that must be seen on the big screen. Trust me, *Twister* will not be nearly as impressive once it's released on video.

Fans of the hit TV show *Mad About You* will get an extra joyful kick watching Helen Hunt (who gives the film's most likable performance) face down one killer tornado after another.

So, if you have any desire to give *Twister* a chance, hop on down to Mendenhall Student Center sometime between Thursday and Saturday. *Twister* should prove to be a great film to watch with a theater full of rowdy Pirates.

## CD Reviews



### Frog Legs Midnight Radio



Derek T. Hall  
Senior Writer

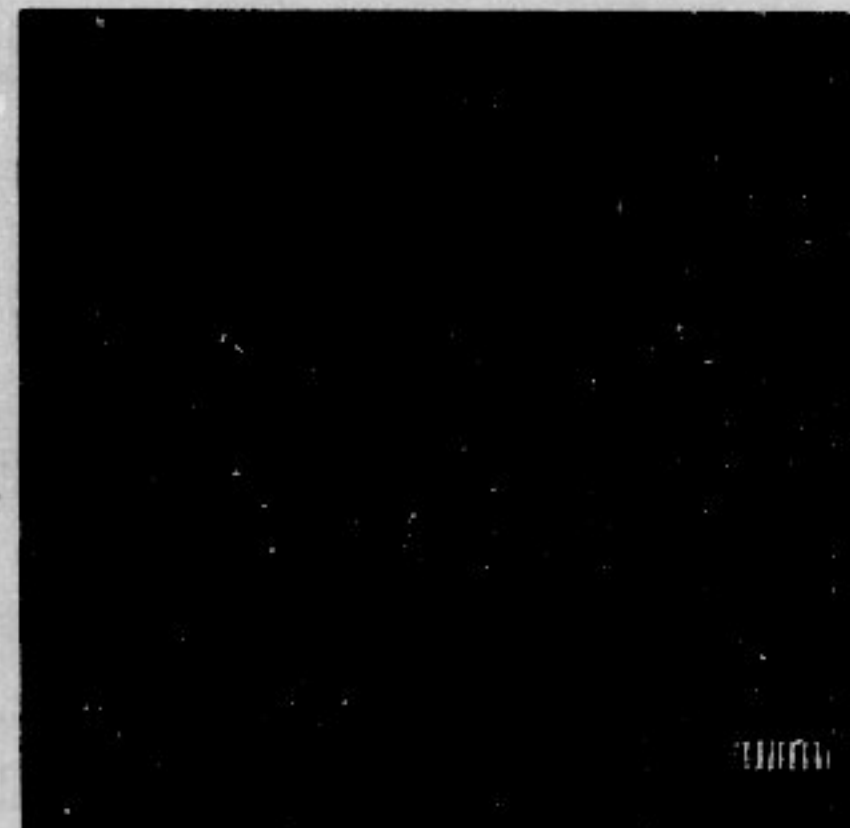
Frog Legs. It's the perfect name for this band. They're skinny, ugly, and make me turn green. Their music is humorous, yet silly, and that's the problem. It's too sarcastic. The band really doesn't seem to give a damn, and it makes me wonder whether to love them or hate them. Unfortunately for them, this is not love at first sight. The band seems too childish. Listening to their album, *Midnight Radio*, is like hearing a five-year-old jam out a Phish tune. It just doesn't work.

The disc starts out with people making the most ungodly noises I've ever heard. How can you get into a groove where there are people clucking like chickens?

And there's not too much to say about the originality of each of the songs on the album, either. You could say that all of them are different; however, they all seem to have one thing in common — they all sound like ass! There are some positive things about the band, however. Wrenn Magnus, the lead vocalist, has a good vocal range that streaks from Presley to Prince. If he were in a serious band, people would see him for the singer that he is. Other band members include Morgan Huff (drums), Tom Illmensee (electric and classical guitar), and Turtle (bass). How cute. Let's all get together and come up with pet names, why don't we?

But let's not butter things up. The band isn't exactly an emotionally honest band. Frog Legs try too hard to be comical on the album. It will definitely make you laugh; the problem is whether or not it's intentional. This band is basically the

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### Ween 12 Golden Country Greats



Jay Myers  
Lifestyle Editor

When Ween wants to be weird, they can be weird. In fact, they're almost the definition of the word. They've done songs about spinal meningitis, spaghetti western themes, and happy tunes about little daisies. It's even rumored that they are the angry young guys behind the pseudo-metallic / punk / rap outfit, the Moistboys. So if Ween wants to do something different musically, where do they go?

Nashville. That's right, for their newest album, *12 Golden Country Greats*, the Ween brothers, Gene and Dean, descended on the capitol of country music for inspiration and motivation. Not only have they employed such notable Nashville session musicians as Pete Wade (guitar, dobro, 6-string bass), Russ Hicks (pedal steel), and Charlie McCoy (bass, harmonica, percussion, vibes, organ, trumpet, tenor banjo, tuba) to help them capture that certain twang for this release, they also roped in the quintessential country vocal group, The Jordanaires, as back-up singers.

This sounds like the makings of a phenomenal cowpoke album, doesn't it? Well, it is and it isn't. Ween just ain't normal, folks. From the outset, it's easy to tell that something just isn't right. For one thing, *12 Golden Country Greats* only contains ten tracks. Song titles are also a dead giveaway, since they run the gamut from the strikingly normal "I'm Holding You" and "Pretty Girl" to the hilariously strange "Help Me Scrape the Mucus Off My Brain" and

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# Pirates rock-n-roll all night at Mendenhall



Starting at 4 p.m., Skeeter Brandon & Highway 61 will be playing all your favorite blues and R&B tunes during the F.A.N. (Friday All-Nighter) Club meeting in Mendenhall Student Center.

Andy Turner  
Staff Writer

Do the words "pep rally" inspire memories of chewing-gum-stained bleachers, cheesy cheers, and testosterone-spewing motivational speeches from sweaty high-school principals?

Rah, rah. Please God, no. After tomorrow, hopefully, "pep rally" will deliver more pleasant images.

The newly created F.A.N. (Friday All-Nighter) Club will make its premiere at Mendenhall Student Center beginning at 4 p.m. with performances by two blues-based bands: the Wicked Mojo Brothers, and Skeeter Brandon and Highway 61.

A pep rally, featuring the ECU Cheerleaders, the Purple and Gold

dancers, and the Pirate mascot, will be held from 7 to 8 p.m. Following the pep rally, the film *Twister* will premiere at Hendrix Theatre. From 10 p.m. until the student center closes, free billiards, table tennis and bowling will be available.

The F.A.N. Club, sponsored by the ECU Student Union Popular Entertainment Committee, will be held for each home football game excluding homecoming.

J. Marshall, assistant director of student activities, said the idea for the F.A.N. Club was developed by Angela Bouman of the recreational services department.

Marshall and others involved with Mendenhall and University Unions, were looking for a way to sponsor a pre-game event at the student center. They were excited by Bouman's proposal.

"The F.A.N. Club seemed like

an opportunity for us to help promote Mendenhall Student Center," Marshall said. "We want to bring more students and traffic in Mendenhall."

Over the summer, the concept of the F.A.N. Club expanded, Marshall explained. The Athletic Department and Pirate Club, as well as the Student Pirate Club, were contacted to see if they would lend their support to the idea.

"We decided to hold it the night before the game to get as many people as possible to attend this thing," he added.

Marshall said other state schools such as N.C. State and UNC-Chapel Hill already have pep rallies.

He also realizes that some people perceive pep rallies to be

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## Student Health Service: You've got questions; We've got answers!

Jennifer Phillips  
Student Health Service

When students come to college, they often find themselves responsible for things which were previously of little concern. Health care is a common example. College students suddenly find themselves asking questions about where to go when feeling sick, experiencing injury, or for other medical needs. This column is designed to address some common questions concerning the ECU Student Health Service (SHS).

Question: I've heard all sorts of stories about the quality of care at the SHS. Do students find the care there satisfactory?  
Answer: Yes, ECU students are generally satisfied with the quality of care received from the SHS. In a recent survey, ECU students were asked "What was your overall degree of satisfaction with your recent SHS visit?" Most students reported either "good" (46 percent) or "excellent" (44 percent) in reference to the quality of care received. It is interesting to note that SHS conducts an ongoing quality assurance survey. Phone interviews are completed to assess, monitor and continually improve the services offered to students. Students are also strongly encouraged to complete comment cards that are available at SHS.

Question: If I am sick and I decide to come to the SHS, will

I have to pay to see a health care provider?

Answer: Currently enrolled ECU students will not be charged for an office visit to see a health care provider at the SHS. A student health fee is part of the tuition bill which covers the costs to see health care providers at the SHS for the semester. For services such as gynecological exams, medications, x-ray, lab and others, there are small fees. As part of the educational process, it is important that students become health care consumers and compare prices between the SHS and other offices and clinics. Paying a lesser amount for medical services does not mean the student is receiving less quality of care.

Question: I am a female student. Why is it when I come to the SHS for a sore throat, they ask me if I am pregnant?

Answer: This question may frustrate students, particularly if a student feels assumptions are being made about their personal sexual behavior. Asking female patients if they are pregnant is a standard medical question that health care providers must ask. Pregnancy is a medical condition that affects treatment options and care, particularly any medications that might be prescribed. The intended purpose of this question is for medical reasons, not to judge a student's sexual behavior.

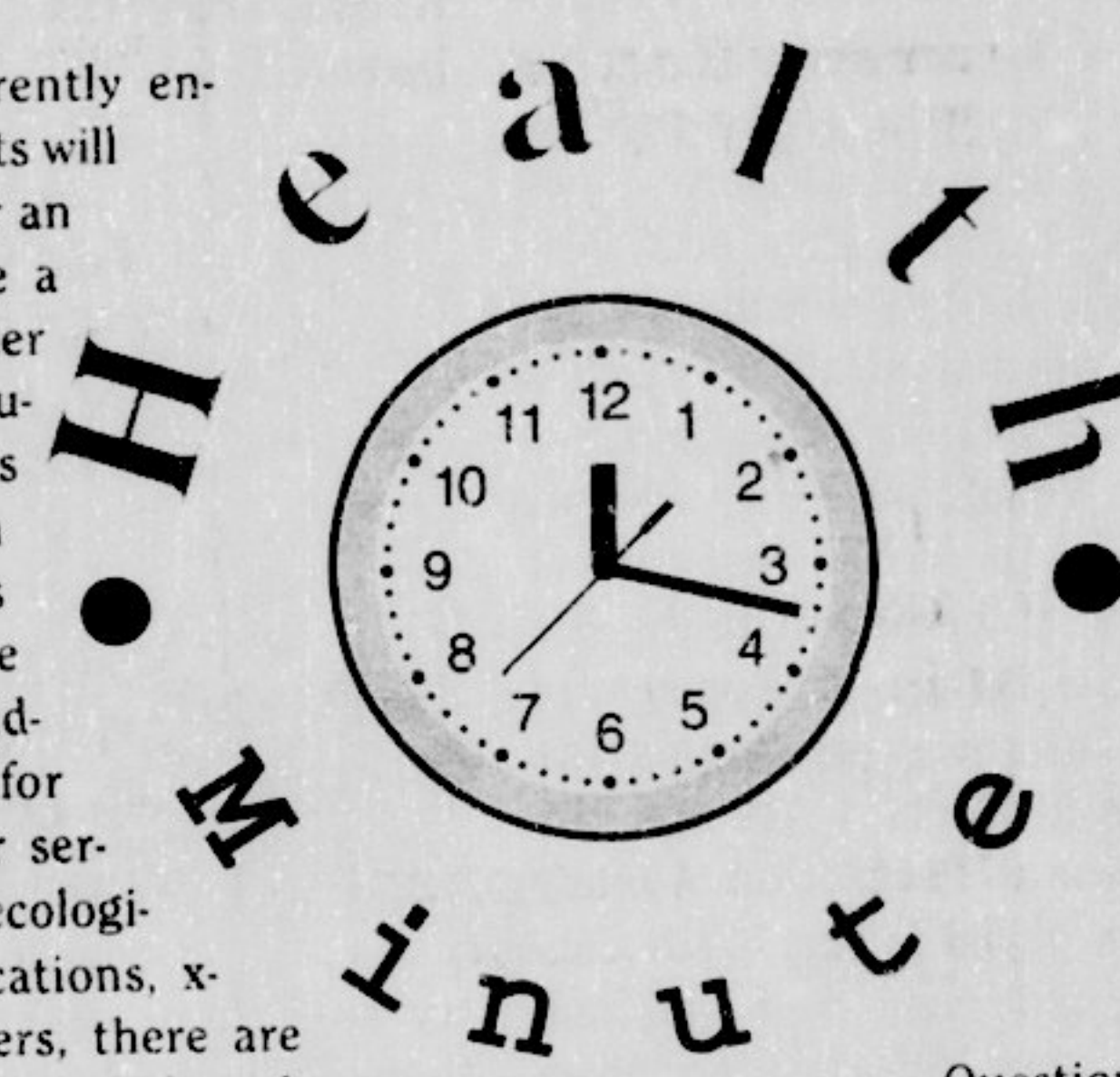
Question: What are the qualifications of the medical staff at the SHS?

Answer: The members of the medical staff come from diverse backgrounds and education. SHS currently employs physicians, psychologists, family nurse practitioners, physician assistants, registered nurses, registered pharmacists, certified lab and x-ray staff.

Question: What if I am sick on the weekends? Where should I go?  
Answer: Many ECU students are not aware of the fact that the SHS is open both Saturday and Sunday from 9 a.m. until noon. Hours of operation Monday through Friday are from 8 a.m. until 5 p.m.

Question: What other services does the SHS offer?

Answer: SHS offers a wide



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"corny" or "outdated." He is optimistic, however, that the F.A.N. Club will go over well.  
Marshall said he has been particularly impressed with the attitudes of ECU alumni.  
"I have never seen the level of pride at other campuses that I have seen on this campus," he said. "I hope the students will pick up on some of these things."  
Overall, Marshall explained, there are three goals of the F.A.N. Club.  
"We want to get people to know what kinds of programs Mendenhall has to offer," he said. "Second, we want to make the student center the focal point of the campus; if they

want to find out what's going on on-campus, this is the place to be."  
"We also want to work with the athletic department to develop a strong foundation for supporting the athletic teams and, specifically, football."  
Marshall said he is excited by the musical groups slated to perform as part of the F.A.N. Club. The bands, he said, are all similar to the types of bands that would play down-

town.  
Skeeter Brandon and Highway 61, based out of Chapel Hill, are this week's featured performer. The band plays both covers and original blues and R&B.  
Brandon is a former gospel singer and keyboardist with Clarence Carter. Critics describe his voice as a "soulful roar." The *Charlotte Observer* said Brandon has the kind of voice other performers "dream" of

having and would "pay money for."  
Other bands scheduled to perform as part of the F.A.N. Club: Sept. 27 - Yep! (rock) and Agents of Good Roots (roots rock). Oct. 11 - Brother (Australian bag-pipe / rock band). Nov. 15 - Offcenter (rock) and Regatta 69 (ska).  
The F.A.N. Club is free to all ECU faculty, staff and students. For additional information call (919) 328-4788 or 1-800-ECU-ARTS.

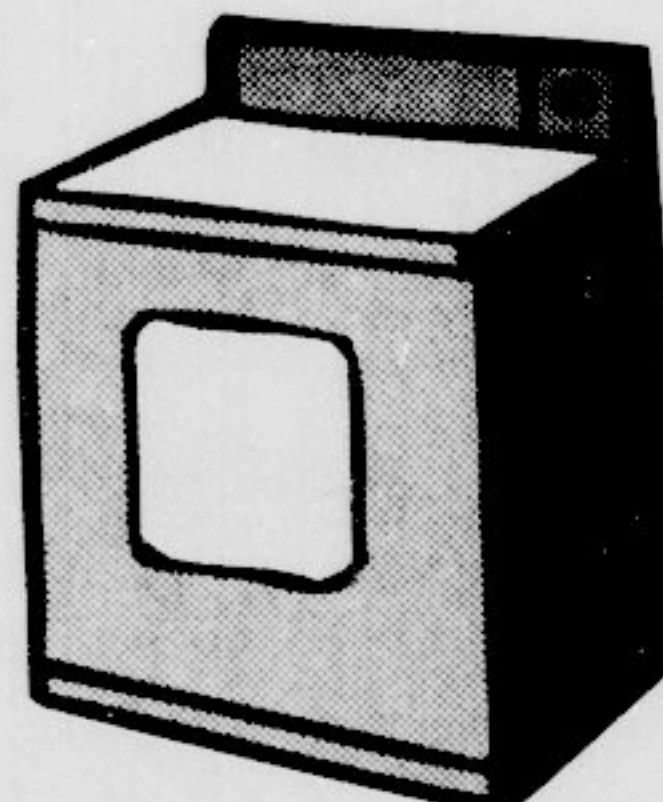
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Rodney Dangerfield of roots rock. They can't get no respect, but they don't really deserve any.  
The problem with comical bands is that they fizzle out very quickly. Sure it's amusing for a while, but how funny is the same stand-up act day after day? It falls into the "same song and dance" routine. When people hear some-

thing they like, they want to hear it again. But it really lets people down when they don't find the same level of intensity in the music that they heard the first time. Maybe they will like it the second time they hear it. How about the third, though?  
*Midnight Radio* is not a bad title for the album. It probably has

something to do with the time frame, since it's the only time of day that you can hear them - when you're asleep. Consider it a blessing from your local radio stations if they really play it at midnight.  
The band is on tour and are appearing at the Underwater Cafe on Sept. 27. Check them out, if you're up for a night of "What tha?"

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"Piss Up a Rope."  
Speaking of "Piss Up a Rope," this has got to be one of the best tracks Ween has ever done. It starts off like the typical "somebody shot my dog" kind of complaint: "My dinner's on fire as she watches TV / And if you've ever wondered what it's like to be me / She takes all my money and leaves me no smokes / Yells at my buddies and insults my folks / I'm breaking my back doin' the best I can / She's got time for the dog and none for her man." You get the idea.  
The lyrics quickly shift gears,

however, and the tune takes on the punkish humor that is a Ween trademark: "And I'm no dope, but I can't cope / So hit the fucking road and piss up a rope ... You ride my ass like a horse and a saddle / Now you're up shit's creek with a turd for a paddle," and so on, all the while maintaining that pickin' and grinnin' sound which is so indicative of Nashville.

With every album they have released, Ween has continued to stretch the bounds of the alternative label that the music industry so easily slaps on them. *12 Golden*

*Country Greats* is no exception, and they have proven that no matter what you may think of Ween, they are, and always will be, different.

For you rough-and-tumble TNN and CMT fans, Ween may come as an unwanted surprise. For the die-hard Ween fans among the throng, *12 Golden Country Greats* may also serve as an eye-opener. Yet if your mind is open and you don't mind having your expectations surpassed, then do yourself a favor and let Ween drop-kick you through the goal post of life.

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variety of services including lab and x-ray services, physical therapy, an allergy clinic, a pharmacy, gynecological services, health education, an urgent care clinic, and a student health insurance plan. Mental health services are provided by psychologists and psychiatrists. A self-care clinic is available during regu-

lar SHS hours. Students may purchase certain popular over-the-counter medications at a reduced cost. Beginning this month, SHS will offer physical therapy services. A new building for SHS is also in the planning phase. Also, students interested in providing input on the services at SHS are invited to join

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I said it last year and I'll say it again — stay for the entire game. A typical football game only lasts a few hours and the is the least you can do is stay from start to finish. It doesn't matter if we are winning by 20 points or losing by 20 points. Either way, the fans should be there to show their support.

The football team and coaches are out at practice everyday for hours and all you have to do is take time out on a Saturday afternoon to show them that you support the hard work they have put into practice.

Football games are the best part about the fall. You tailgate before the game and then head to your seats to watch your Pirates from start to finish.

Now I know some of you are saying, "Well, Amanda, sometimes it rains and we don't want to get wet." All right I understand. But before a game you can watch the weather forecast and if there is even a remote chance of rain, take a poncho. But no umbrellas, they don't allow them inside the stadium.

Ponchos are inexpensive and they keep the water off of you. The players and coaches still have to be out there and they all can't wear ponchos. I think it's sort of fun to watch a game in the rain, it adds to the excitement. The football game gets more challenging for both sides and that is when fan support is needed most.

I'm no preacher, but I'm preaching now. Stay for the game — the entire game. Let's not have the students stand only half full in the middle of the third quarter — let's have them packed.

Now if your friends pressure you to leave before the clock reads 00:00 in the fourth quarter, well you just tell them, "Amanda said stay."

We only have five home games and you don't want to miss them. I mean, I hope you will travel to some of the away games, but I would be happy just to see all of you during the home games.

We have a football team that is going to do great things this season. You definitely don't want to miss out. This is your team, so stand up and get loud.

Oh, and one last thing — GO PIRATES.

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## Spirited make-over planned

Greenville to change name to "Purpleville"

Tracy Laubach  
Sports Writer

As the football team has been preparing for an exciting and highly competitive season, the Pitt County Pirate Club has been committed to promoting ECU spirit throughout Greenville. As the Pirates kick off their season this Saturday, various signs will be covered with large purple banners that will read "Purpleville."

Where did this idea come from? The Pitt County Pirate Club began to speculate the possibility of converting Greenville into "Purpleville" after attending the Tennessee game last

year. Members of the board were amazed at the amount of spirit and support that was shown through a community that was dressed in orange. At that time, the Pitt County Pirate Club realized that the same unity and spirit could be established in Greenville.

One member of the Pitt County Pirate Club who is extremely excited about this season's promotion of spirit is board member Jay Surles.

"Greenville's atmosphere is going to be amazing this season," Surles said. "It is so important for students and citizens of the community to not only attend all of the home games, but to attend them wearing purple, with the whole stadium wearing purple rather than the usual football game attire. A statement will definitely be made about ECU's spirit."

The Pirate Club has sold 5,600

purple shirts to various businesses within the community, including Subway and Wendy's so employees could help promote ECU spirit. These shirts were also being sold at UBE. The shirts, which were sold for five dollars apiece, benefited not only the Pirate Club, but also the scholarship fund that has been established through Pitt County. For each shirt sold, one dollar has been donated to the fund.

"Our goal is to get everyone thinking purple and dressing purple," Surles said.

"Purpleville" is not the only idea to be recently presented by the Pitt County Pirate Club. There is a good possibility that a \$2 million golf shoot out for a hole in one will be organized this spring.

Until then, Surles urges people to wear their purple, come on out to the games, and show your spirit.



I'll tell you once!

Coach Steve Logan talks to the press about ECU's acceptance into Conference USA for football. Conference play is slated to begin in 1997.

Photo by PATRICK IRELAN

## Pep rally planned night before first game

Amanda Ross  
Sports Editor

Stand up and get loud. This Saturday is the opening for the first football game of the year.

To kick off the season, Mendenhall Student Center along with the Marching Pirates, ECU cheerleaders and dance team, will be holding a pep rally to boost spirit.

Jay Marshall, asst. director of student activities, has put together an evening that will include an hour-long pep rally.

"This particular Friday, Sept. 6, immediately following the outdoor music concert, we have asked the ECU Student Pirate Club to help us to organize a pep rally," Marshall said.

This is the first year that Mendenhall has participated in such activities as pep rallies.

Marshall sees this as an excellent way to involve students with the football program and boost spirits the night before the game.

"We want the students to get excited about their team and get them started off on the right foot for this year," Marshall said. "I am real excited I like what Coach Logan has done with the team."

Unfortunately neither the team nor the players will be able to attend since the night before a home game they leave town. But Marshall hopes to have other coaches, like men's basketball coach Joe Dooley and women's basketball coach Anne Donovan as guest speakers.

The Marching Pirates will march from Fletcher Hall down to Menden-

hall playing the ECU fight song and alma mater.

Marshall is also hoping to get alumni out there to show their support and to also show students that spirit continues on well past graduation.

"We'd like to invite the alumni. It might help the students generate some pride and feeling about the team if they see the alumni out there as well."

Most other schools have similar activities like this and Marshall hopes that this these Friday night pep rallies will become a regular before home games.

"Other schools of similar size and national notoriety do big things prior to football games and we'd like to create a program that's on that kind of a scale," Marshall said. "I'm hoping, with the collaboration between the athletic department and us, we can create something the athletic department is happy about, that the different sports are proud to support and the students on this campus are proud to come take part of."

Through football season, Marshall hopes to organize three more pep rallies. At some time a trip will be taken away to the ECU-N.C. State matchup in Charlotte. That will include game tickets, bus fare and possibly hotel rooms.

The pep rally will begin around 7 p.m. and last close to an hour. The activities will be held in the brick courtyard in front of Mendenhall. This is free to all students.

NOTE: IF THIS EVENT IS RAINED OUT, IT WILL BE RESCHEDULED FOR NOV. 1 BEFORE THE HOME COMING GAME.



Stand tall!

Chancellor Eakin speaks about his excitement for ECU to be affiliated with Conference USA. Eakin played a big part in helping ECU become a member.

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ing job that he has done." Hamrick said. "If we hadn't been to the Liberty Bowl the last two years, I don't know if we would be standing here today. He has put our football program on the map, we're nationally recognized and the quality players he has and quality staff he has, I want to thank them."

The determination of all involved helped to bring Conference USA to Greenville.

"If you have perseverance, it is the grandest quality and that is the quality that is here at East Carolina University," Logan said. "I am so humbled and gratified to be a part of this happening today because I am starting my eighth year here and I've seen incredible changes in eight years and I suspect in the next eight that there could be even more wonderful things to happen."

What this means for ECU, is

the opportunity to play for a conference championship. That is something ECU has not been able to do since 1976, when they were affiliated with the Southern Conference. Since then, ECU has been an independent team in Division I play.

"We're going to make this a good conference, we're going to make it a great conference," Hamrick said. "We're going to do everything we can every year to win this conference."

The national exposure ECU will receive will increase when they play next season, since Conference USA's games are televised on national television. Just last week two Conference USA teams played on national television and won, identifying the conference as a competitor who can hang tough with any team.

"As you know, we had two

games on last week, Tulane and Cincinnati, Memphis and Miami, and I am absolutely amazed at the exposure, recognition and the acknowledgment we have received as a result of that national exposure," Slive said.

Anyone that has followed ECU football knows that these conference talks have been taking place for some time now. One factor that helped to finalize the talks was the support of the fans. If the Pirates didn't have the fan following they have had to away games, especially the two Liberty Bowl games, then this might not have been made possible.

"The fans have played such an incredibly important role in the development of this program and the emergence of this program as a nationally competitive football team," Slive said.

Eakin agrees.

"I would really make a huge mistake today, if I didn't pay tribute to the fans that fill that stadium week after week - who travel with us week after week," Eakin said. "Those who have stood by us through the times when 3-8 seasons didn't seem as if they would ever go away."

That is also the sentiment expressed by Hamrick who pays homage to the fans.

"I can stand here before you today and tell you this would have not happened without the East Carolina fans," Hamrick said. "The commissioner and I met for about six hours in Memphis and if we had only had about two or three thousand Pirate fans this past year for that Liberty Bowl, that meeting probably would have lasted about an hour."

ECU will join the conference as a football member only. All the other varsity sports at ECU are affiliated with the Colonial Athletic Association, and Slive does not anticipate ECU's other varsity sports joining Conference USA.

"We have had no discussions, and I certainly don't anticipate any," Slive said.

When play begins next season ECU will match up against Cincinnati, Houston, Louisville, Memphis, Southern Miss and Tulane. The winner of the conference championship will earn an automatic berth to the Liberty Bowl. But that is nothing new for the Pirates who have traveled to Memphis the past two years to compete - losing in 1994 to Illinois and winning last season against Stanford.

As far as Conference USA extending to more teams, Slive said it is possible but will not happen anytime soon.

"We're now seven with the addition of East Carolina and I can assure you that expansion will continue over the next several years and my hope is that we will not limit ourselves to seven," Slive said.

So now, ECU can breathe a little easier with its new affiliation. It's what officials have been working for and now the hard work has paid off. Conference USA will help to boost our football to the top.

"The Pirates have established themselves as a Top 25 contender and the best is yet to come and that best of what is yet to come is going to come with Conference USA," Slive said. "If anyone has any doubts just look at their bowl records, look at who they play and look at last year's win in the Liberty Bowl over Stanford."



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## LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Dear ECU Students:

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Beyond continuing the things mentioned above, there are four important things I encourage you to do in 1996: 1) line up and cheer the team buses when they come through the parking lots 2 1/2 hours before the game; 2) be in your seats 30 minutes before the game and support your football team in the stands until the first home score; 3) be on your feet making noise for a smother third team entrance; and 4) on third down plays for the opposing team, stand up and make as much noise as possible.

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Sincerely,

*Steve Logan*

Steve Logan  
Head Football Coach  
ECU Pirates

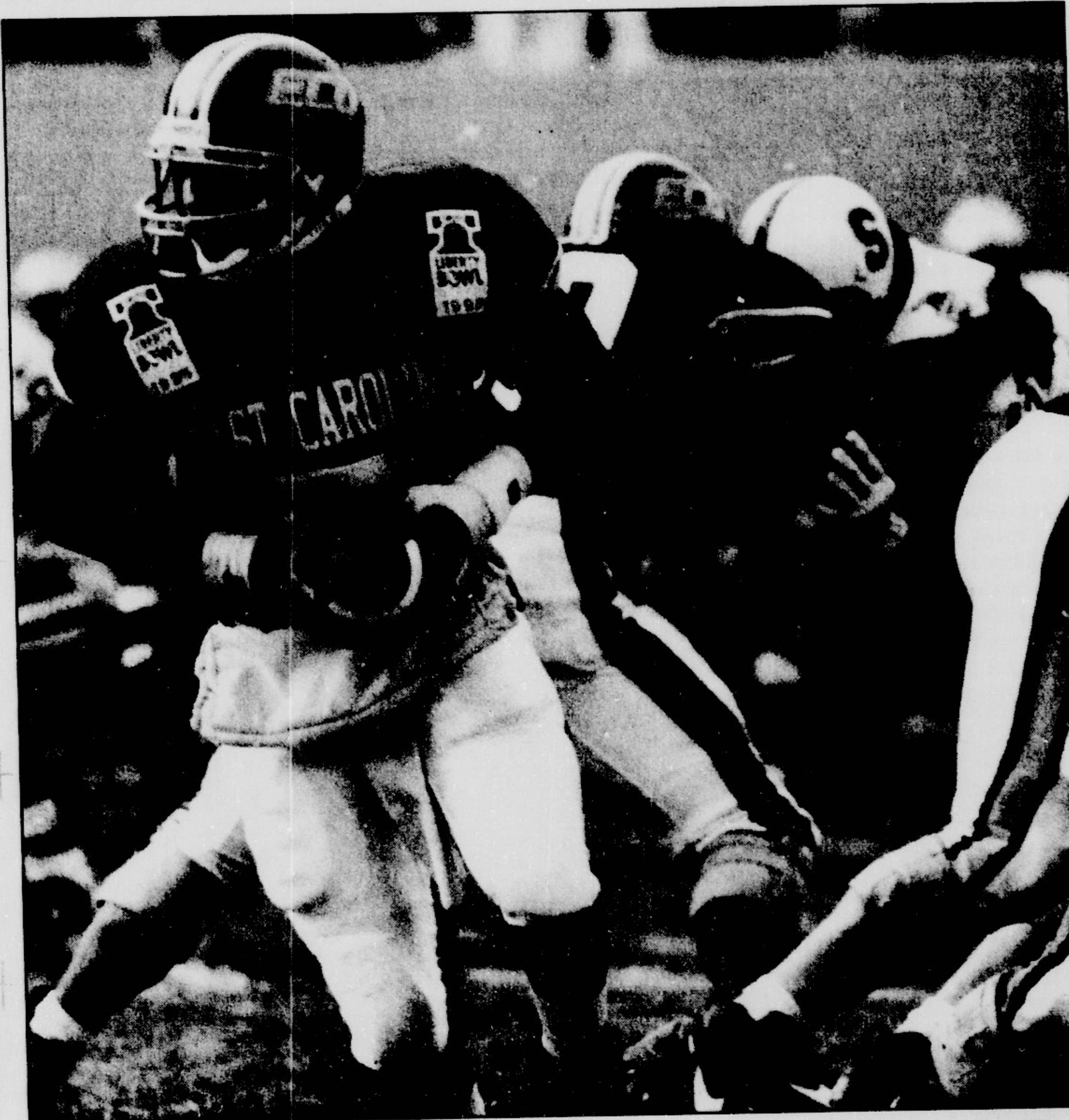
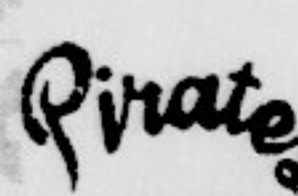


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(Above) Senior Marcus Crandell, enters his final season as quarterback. The 1995 defending Liberty Bowl Champions kick off their 1996 campaign this Saturday at 4 p.m. against East Tennessee State.

## Fast Facts

**Location** - Johnston City, Tenn.  
**Enrollment** - 11,715  
**Head Coach** - Mike Cavan  
**Nickname** - Buccaneers  
**Colors** - Navy Blue and Old Gold  
**Stadium** - Mini Dome  
**Conference** - Southern Conference

**Current Record** 1-0  
**ECU vs ETSU**  
ECU leads 5-4-1  
1984 ECU 24  
ETSU 6

**Notes:** ETSU is 0-5 versus IA teams in the last four years. The last and only time ETSU defeated a IA opponent was in '87, with a 29-14 victory over N.C. State.

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## ECU ready for spotlight

### ETSU gives Pirates its first challenge

Brian Paiz  
End Zone Co-Editor

Don't tell ECU Head Football Coach Steve Logan that Saturday's matchup with East Tennessee State is just a season warm-up. After all, his team knows not to ever overlook anyone.

The Pirates have been in ETSU's shoes before: the underdog team trying to knock off the bigger opponent. Saturday's 4 p.m. kickoff at Dowdy-Ficklen Stadium is sort of a David vs. Goliath matchup.

ECU is the Buccaneer's only Division I opponent on their 1996 schedule, and ETSU would just love to come into Greenville and leave with a major upset. ECU players have been forewarned that they better be ready to play on Saturday.

"ETSU is just another team that we are trying to get past," sophomore nose guard Travis Darden said. "Until you mentioned it, I had forgot that they were a Division I-AA team. We are trying to win one game at a time."

ECU is also ready to face someone else other than their teammates. Senior free safety David Hart can't wait until Saturday.

"We've been ready for the past two weeks, and we just can't wait to get out there on Saturday and play the game,"

Hart said.

ETSU got their season kicked off last Thursday as the Buccaneers defeated Liberty 24-20 in Johnston City. A key player in that game was senior quarterback Greg Ryan. Ryan connected on 22 of 34 passes for 229 yds and a touchdown. Ryan has broken every major passing record at ETSU, including passing yards with 6,010.

Ryan's favorite targets seem to be sophomore wide receiver Marcus Satterfield, and junior B.J. Adigun. Satterfield caught seven passes for 65 yards and two touchdowns against Liberty. Satterfield and Ryan know each other very well.

The two have been playing football together since they were both members of the midlevel league football programs in Greenback, Tenn. Adigun, a pre-season All-Southern Conference choice, had seven catches for 96 yards against Liberty.

On defense, ETSU is led by senior defensive end James Russell. Russell was named pre-season All-American by the Sporting News. The St. Augustine, Fla. Native holds the Buccaneers career records for tackles for a loss with 47 and sacks with 22.5.

A major concern for ECU going into the season opener was who would fill the void on defense left when Dwight Henry was lost for the season at right cornerback with an ACL injury to his knee. His replacement looks to be red-shirt freshman Forrest Foster.

The Clemson, S.C. native had been battling junior Tabari Wallace for the job.

Elsewhere on defense, junior Matt Semenza has earned a start at outside linebacker. Semenza will be sharing time with senior B.J. Crane.

On offense, the only question going into Saturday's game is how would the running game respond with the loss of Jerris McPhail. McPhail rushed for 943 yards last season and is now showcasing his talents on Sundays as a member of the Miami Dolphins.

Coach Logan and his staff gave the nod to sophomore Scott Harley. Harley is no stranger to the ECU offense. Last season, the Neptune, N.J. native filled in for an injured McPhail in the Temple game and rushed for 175 yards, an ECU freshman record. Quarterback Marcus Crandell will be starting his final season in Greenville, and Crandell, who has broken almost every major passing record at ECU, has a lot of respect for this Buccaneer defense.

"Their secondary is tough," Crandell said. "They play soft coverage, and they mix it up a lot."

Look for the Pirates not to underestimate the Buccaneers on Saturday. ECU knows that they are still trying to gain national respect, and a let down on Saturday would be a major blow to a team that is trying to prove something each and every football game.

If the Pirates need any incentive on Saturday, they need just to look back to 1987 when an ETSU team came to the state of North Carolina and clobbered NC State 29-14.

## Prognosticators

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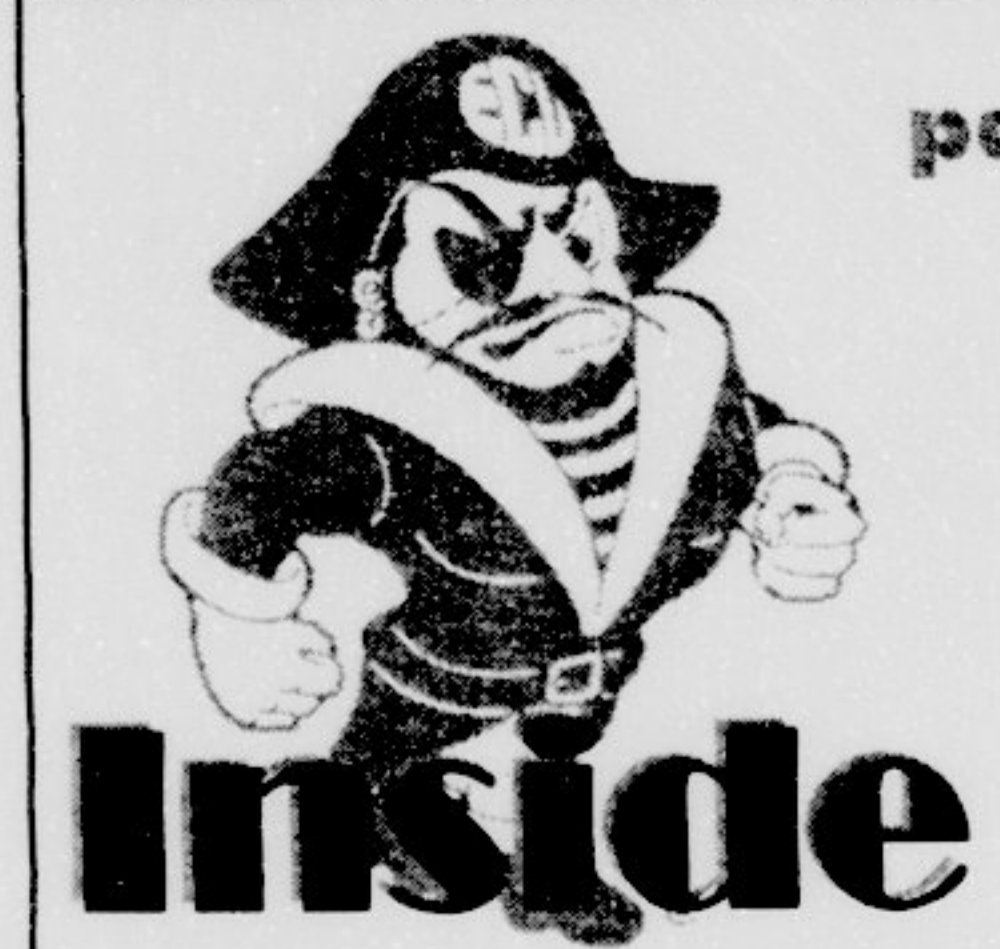
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Lamont Burns returns as most improved offensive player



**Saturday.**  
**September 7, 1996**  
**4 p.m.**

## Final season for Crandell

Amanda Ross  
End Zone Co-Editor

He has been praised as one of the best quarterbacks in the country. ESPN's Lee Corso dubbed him his "Superpick Quarterback" for the year. Who is he? You know exactly who he is. Marcus Crandell.

Going into this season, Crandell knows that the expectations are high for the defending Liberty Bowl champs.

"This year there is a lot more anxiety that has been built up from last year's season," Crandell said. "We want to have a better outcome as far as the record is concerned."

A better outcome for the players would be to go undefeated. A light home schedule should provide easy wins at Dowdy-Ficklen Stadium, while a tough road schedule could give the Pirates some trouble.

"Games that we are sure that we can win, we have to make those wins as good as possible, and try to prepare for the next game," Crandell said.

Crandell, who has surpassed two of Jeff Blake's records (the Cincinnati Bengal's starting QB) with 5,463 career passing yards and 6,026 yards for total offense needs just two more TD's to also go ahead of Blake's career TD passes.

But as this first team QB for the 1995 All-Independent team knows, records can be a huge motivation in a performance. However, Crandell admits that once he hits the field, those records are the furthest thing from his mind.

"It doesn't enter my mind," Crandell said. "It's a motivating factor but I don't think about it and when I broke records last year I didn't even know that I had broken them until after the game when people told me."

Because of the strong performances Crandell has displayed the past two seasons, he has been recognized as one of the top quarterbacks in the country. For example, in Football News he was listed as one of five players nationally in a group labeled "Players Worth price of Admission." In other publications, Crandell has been recognized as one of the elite in the QB position, but he still thinks he has to show how good he really is.

"In the eyes of some people they don't see me as that good and I still have something to prove."

This ECU team which is typically a passing team will have to look to run the ball more this season, and Crandell realizes that a lot of the ground yardage will depend on him just as much as it will on his running backs.

"We have to establish a running game regardless, whether it be 90 percent passing and 10 percent running or 50-50," Crandell said. "We have to establish a running game to keep our passing game up."

As with every player, obstacles are met — and usually overcome. Crandell said he didn't have just one hurdle to jump over; he had two.

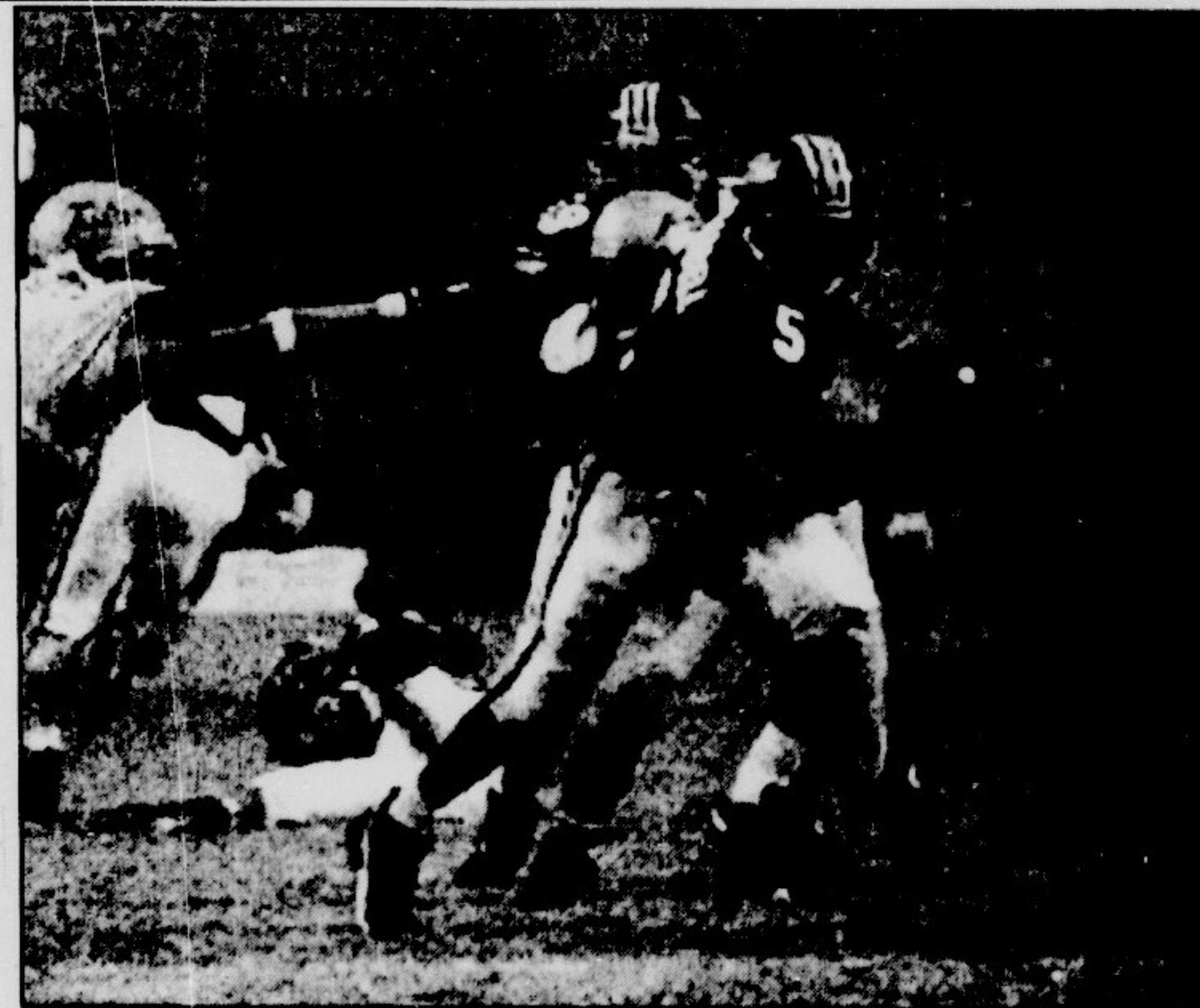
"When I first got here, being a redshirt freshman and having to be thrown into a system that is so hard to learn and get it down pat to where I have it right now," Crandell said.

The second came just six quarters into his career, in 1993, when a Central Florida player took a cheap shot that resulted in Crandell suffering a broken leg.

"I wondered if I would get back to 100 percent, where I was going to be able to play again."

Much of the talk surrounding ECU football has been the lack of respect from the pollsters. The discrepancy in ratings with different polls showed that really nobody took a close look at the incredible season the Pirates produced.

The AP Poll, which is regarded as football's most prestigious poll, ranked the Pirates only 26th. That's right. They were the only 9-3 team with a bowl victory not to make it into the top 25. It's a ghost



File Photo  
Crandell will finish this season as ECU's all-time leader in career passing yardage, career offense and career touchdown passes.

that the players are playing against, but it's not something that is the most important thing going into this season.

"I worry, but I don't worry about it, because I know in my mind and my heart, and I think I speak for a lot of guys on the team that we're better than a lot of the teams they picked before us," Crandell said. "All we have to do is just keep striving for the achievement and set our levels of standard a little higher than last year."

So what's next for Crandell after the season? The answer is obvious, the pros. But he isn't looking too far down the road just yet. He knows he must concentrate on leading his team to victory and focusing on his final season with the Pirates.

"I hope to keep pursuing a football career," Crandell said. "I pray every night that I will get to that point — it's a dream."

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# Richards proves versatile

Dill Dillard  
End Zone Writer

In the complex offensive mind of Steve Logan, his well oiled machine calls for a strong receiving corps. In a short passing game like ECU's, a strong tight end must accompany speedy wide outs in order to be successful. None better to fill this spot than senior tight end Scott Richards.

With a short passing game, a great number of patterns are in the middle of the defensive secondary, and a big target is needed to complete some passes in a sea of linebackers. Richards, at 6'5" 260 pounds, is one of the bigger tight ends in division one football, and has become a huge threat in Logan's offense in the past two seasons.

"We are very comfortable with our tight end situation with Scott Richards," Logan said. "I feel we have one of the most underrated tight ends in the country."

He might be underrated, but his stats are not. Last season, the rumbly tight end gathered 33 passes for 341 yards which placed him fourth among Pirate receivers.

"I've worked hard to improve the past two years, and I look forward to

improving again this season," Richards said.

Richards impressed coaches and fans alike the past two campaigns starting in every game last season, including the southern Miss contest where he caught four passes for 62 yards and two touchdowns in the victory over the Golden Eagles. Now when you talk to Pirate fans about Richards, the first thing out of their mouths is reliable. From his 93-yard gutsy performance at the Carrier Dome at Syracuse to being the leading receiver in the Liberty Bowl victory, when the Pirates needed a big reception big number 90 would show how up on the play. Richards, recruited out of high school as a quarterback, has a valuable ability of reading defenses as well as being able to anticipate QB Marcus Crandell's next move.

"I'm a former quarterback, so reading defenses is something I've been able to do," Richards said. "Also, it helps me understand what Marc wants me to do and where he wants me to be on certain plays."

Richards has proven to be versatile and reliable as a receiving tight end, blocking tight end, or even a blocking full back in short yardage situations.

"What ever it takes to win, I'm will-

ing to do my part to help the team out in anyway I can," Richards said.

Being a team player, the biggest aspiration for Richards this season is to earn the respect of poll voters who shunned the Bucs last seasons.

"Last year was great, but it's over," Richards said. "We've gotten to the bowl, we've won a bowl, now we've need to bring the program to another level and be recognized as a national class program."

It's old news to Pirate fans when it comes to being shunned by the Associated Press poll, but last season hurt a touch more after winning nine games as well as snagging the Liberty Bowl title from Stanford in the Bucs' second straight appearance in Memphis.

"For them to rank us 26 was disappointing, especially to me, because we knew after all the hard work we deserved a better ranking than 26," Richards said. "This year it's our goal to do like coach (Logan) says and just win the next game, prove that East Carolina football deserves to be in the top twenty five."

The drive for the top twenty five will no doubt be steered by many, including Richards. This quest will begin next week at home for the Pirates, much to the avail of Richards, a senior majoring in Indus-

trial Technology.

"It's a big boost for me as well as the team to start out the season at home, seeing that the past two years we've started out on the road," Richards said.

With an exciting senior season ahead, September 7 won't get here soon enough for Richards.

"I'm ready to try to get my senior season started and get to work," Richards said.

"Practice has been going well, but it gets old seeing the same faces across the line from you, day in and day out. So, a lot of frustration will be let out on Saturday against ETSU. We're just ready to play."



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Richards is no stranger to the tight end position. Last season he caught 33 passes for 341 yds.



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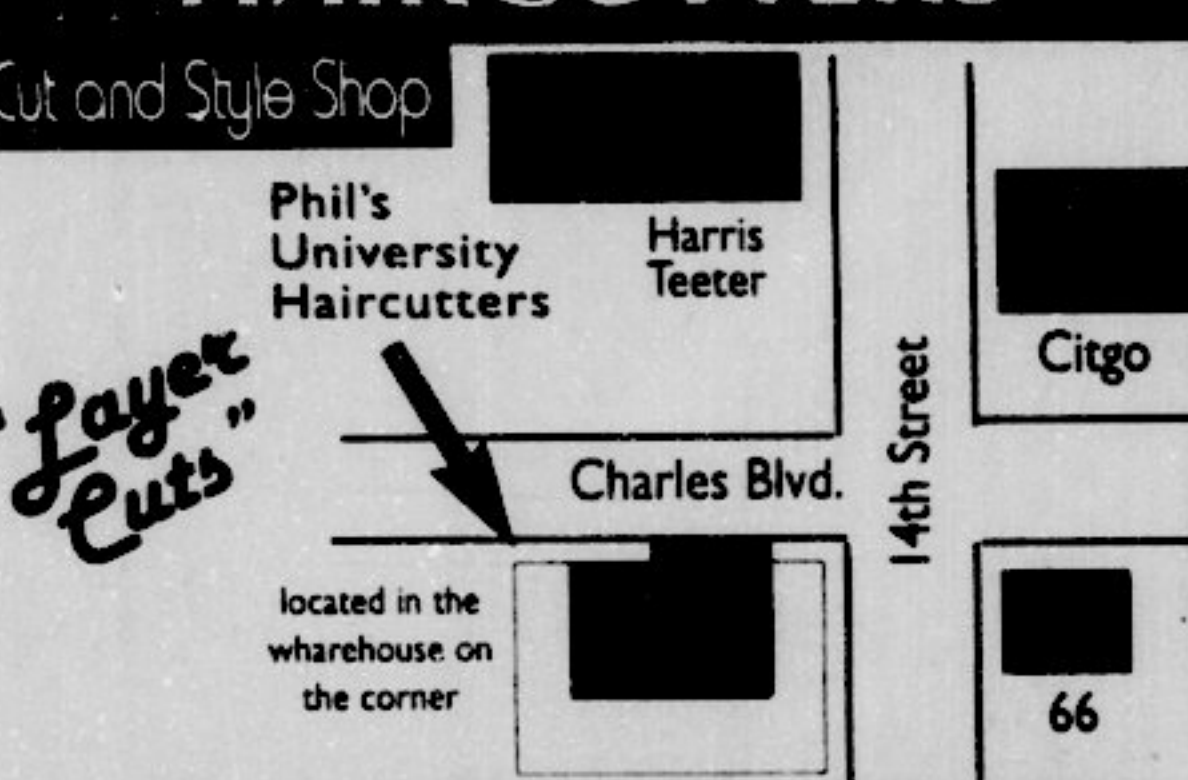
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# Burns turns up the heat for '96

Brian Paiz  
End Zone Co-Editor

If there was ever anyone on the ECU football team that symbolizes the word player, it would be senior Lamont Burns. As a freshman writer for The East Carolinian back in 1993, I had a chance to interview Lamont for the first time. I have seen Lamont not only mature as a player, but also as a person.

Lamont Burns has definitely had his ups and downs as a Pirate. Burns was recruited by former ECU head coach Bill Lewis in 1992 out of Page High School in Greensboro. As a high school senior he recorded 55 tackles, and recovered seven fumbles. Although ECU had a coaching change, Burns still decided that ECU was the place for him to continue his football career. The times have been rocky at some points, but Burns said he has never regretted his choice to come to Greenville.

"I would not change any decisions that I have made at ECU," Burns said. "The things that have happened to me here has made

me a stronger person today."

After red-shirting in 1992, and receiving the Outstanding Defensive Scout Team Award, Burns played in all 11 games at defensive end during the dismal 2-9 season in 1993. However, things changed in the spring of 1994. The coaching staff decided to move Burns to tight end, a position he really never got comfortable with. When fall drills began in 1994, Burns moved to offensive guard where he saw limited time in four games.

Then there came 1995. Burns started to improve at offensive guard and by season's start, had earned himself a starting position at offensive guard, and by season's end was named the most improved offensive player. He also had a Liberty Bowl championship to add to his career achievements.

Through all the position changes, and the difficulties he went through, Burns credits Coach Steve Logan for helping him through the situation.

"Coach Logan has always been real to me," Burns said. "I wasn't performing up to his potential on defense, so he made a change. Every position change I made, Coach

Logan was very supportive."

The next step for Burns could be pro football, and he is receiving national attention. Several college football magazines have listed him as a top offensive lineman, but Burns knows that if pro football doesn't work out he is ready for his future.

"It's just time to wait and see what happens," Burns said, who has already graduated with a BA degree in Communications. "I have already graduated, so I am ready for anything."

One thing Burns is ready for is the '96 season. Burns and the Pirates still feel that they are not getting the national respect that they should, and the Associated Press Poll Last season added salt to the wound. The AP poll snubbed ECU out of the top 25, by placing them at number 26.

"It bothered a lot of people," Burns said. "We think we deserved to be in the top 25."

ECU opens this Saturday against East Tennessee State, a team that some people think the Pirates might overlook. But Burns and his fellow teammates know better.

"At first I was worried that we might overlook them," Burns said. "But we have a lot of seniors on this team and we know that people have overlooked us before, and were not going to let that happen on Saturday."

One thing he is proud of is the fact that he has been part of a program that has risen into the national spotlight in recent years.

"I feel that I have been part of the piece of the puzzle to make ECU's football program more visible on the national scene."

The final regular season piece to his puzzle will end on November 30 in Charlotte against the N.C. State Wolfpack, a team that Pirate fans have been waiting to see ECU play for a long time.

"I came in after the Peach Bowl game, and everybody has been waiting for this one for a long time since," Burns said. "It's going to be a barn burner."

Burns however will take one game at a time.

"This is my last go around. I want to play every game to it's fullest."



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After earning a starting position at offensive guard, Burns was last season's most improved offensive player on the team.

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### Student Stores

Special Payment Plans Available

**Monday - MONDAY NIGHT MADNESS** - \$1.75 Hi-Balls and Domestic  
\$2.00 Shots and Shooters  
**NO COVER**

**Tuesday - BAR CRAWL - NO COVER** Dollar Domesticals  
**Wet T-Shirt Contest** Tuesday, September 10th  
Many Prizes-No Cover

**Wednesday - COLLEGE NIGHT** \$1.75 Hi-Balls and Domestic  
(Ladies Play Pool for FREE!) \$2.00 Shots and Shooters

**Thursday - BLOCK PARTY - NO COVER** Before 10pm \$1.00  
Domesticals, Hi-Balls, Kami's  
\$2.00 Shots and Shooters

**Friday - WEEKEND PARTY - NO COVER** LIVE ENTERTAINMENT  
LIQUOR & BEER SPECIAL

**Saturday - LIVELY - REAL LIVELY** GREAT BAR SPECIALS

**Sunday - CUSTOMER APPRECIATION NIGHT** - NO COVER  
\$1 DOMESTICS, KAMI'S  
\$1.50 HI-BALLS  
\$2.00 SHOTS AND SHOOTERS