



Briefs
Across The State

NORTH TOPSAIL BEACH, N.C. — Seven weeks after Hurricane Fran hit the state, most residents of North Topsail Beach are still without water.

Only about a 2-mile section of the town along N.C. 210 now has water.

Residents say they only see a few crews working to restore water service, although county officials say there are several.

CHARLOTTE (AP) — A nursing student who says she'll give back to her community is asking business across Charlotte to step out in faith and give to her first.

Kathy Hedrick has mailed more than 900 letters over the past few months to Charlotte-area business operators requesting donations to pay for the \$14,000 she'll need for three years of nursing school.

So far her one-woman mail campaign is working. She's received \$4,375 — and even a marketing job offer. About two dozen companies have given her donations, ranging from a \$10 gift certificate for printing supplies to \$500.

Across The Country

CAMARILLO, Calif. (AP) — Gasoline pump prices rose nearly three-quarters of a cent per gallon on the strength of crude oil price hikes, an industry analyst said.

The increase over two weeks put the average retail price for all grades, including taxes, at about \$1.28 per gallon, according to Friday's Lundberg Survey of 10,000 stations nationwide.

ATLANTA (AP) — Richard Jewell, cleared of suspicion in the Olympic Park bombing, thinks he'll never fully recover his reputation or fulfill his hopes for a law enforcement career.

Jewell scheduled a news conference for today. He was expected to tell how he got caught up in the FBI's hunt for the person who planted a pipe bomb at a crowded event.

Around The World

MOSCOW (AP) — President Boris Yeltsin today canceled all meetings for the rest of the week because of unspecified medical tests during what his spokesman called "the final stage of preparations" for heart surgery.

Yeltsin spokesman Sergei Yastrzhembsky told a Kremlin news conference that Yeltsin's doctors had recommended complete rest while he undergoes the tests. He said even the president's weekly meeting with the prime minister would be canceled.

CAIRO, Egypt (AP) — Rescue workers pulled four injured people today from the ruins of a collapsed 12-story apartment building, but said dozens more were still trapped.

Some of the residents of the 40-apartment building leapt from their balconies as the concrete-block and plaster building crumbled, neighbor Ahmed Mohammed said.

Student leaders bring Gantt to ECU

Senatorial candidate speaks tonight on student related issues

Scott Hopkins
Staff Writer

With fast-paced campaign processes quickly coming to the wire, campus organizations have worked hard to bring Harvey Gantt to ECU to outline his agenda.

The ECU College Democrats, Students for Gantt, ABLE (Allied Blacks for Leadership and Equality), Sigma

Gamma Rho, Delta Sigma Theta, Zeta Phi Beta, Kappa Alpha Psi and the National Pan Hellenic Council combined efforts to bring U.S. Senate challenger Gantt's campaign to Mendenhall Student Center Tuesday Oct. 29, at 1:45 p.m.

"We are very excited that the North Carolina College Democrats and Students for Gantt were able to get Mr. Gantt to tour all of the North Carolina schools," said John Lynch, a student at ECU and the co-chair of Students for Gantt.

Gantt was at Pitt Community College on Friday and will be touring most of eastern N.C. on Tuesday.

"Mr. Gantt is a large supporter of helping to ease the effects of tu-

ition costs. He strongly supports education, and the issues that surround it," Lynch said.

Gantt is challenging Senator Jesse Helms who has been in office since 1972. Gantt is expected to bring new ideas and new life to the N. C. representation in Washington if elected.

"It is very important that he [Gantt] is reaching out to the students," Lynch said. "Gantt is working toward increasing student loans, and getting a \$10,000 tax credit for families for the first two years of college."

The former mayor of Charlotte, Gantt expects this race to be close, and the polls agree.

Gantt is no stranger to ECU. He

visited in 1994 as a courtesy to the College Democrats.

"Harvey Gantt is willing to invest in education; obviously the senator we have now has not done anything for N.C. universities," said Larry Freeman, president of the College Democrats.

The College Democrats have worked hard to increase the voice of college students in the national and state elections. This visit is another way of getting college students involved in the issues that affect them.

"We are trying to get as many students to come out as possible and show their support for their next U.S. Senator," Lynch said.



Harvey Gantt

Nobel Laureate visits Medical School

Noted speaker presents "Nuclear War" address

Staff Reports

Dr. Victor W. Sidel, co-founder of Physicians for Social Responsibility, Nobel Peace Prize winner and an international leader in health and the consequences of war, will be the featured speaker Tuesday, Oct. 29, at the ECU School of Medicine.

Sidel, distinguished university professor of social medicine at the Albert Einstein College of Medicine in New York, where he was also chair of the department of social medicine at Montefiore Medical Center, will present a lecture titled, "The Social Responsibility of the Physician: Lessons for the Movement to Prevent Nuclear War." His talk lasts from 12:30 p.m. to approximately 1:30 p.m. in Room 2W-50 in the Brody Medical Sciences Building on the ECU School of Medicine campus.

Sidel has been involved with numerous international health organizations and has written and lectured extensively on the social, health and economic consequences of armed conflict. He also has written several books and articles on the U.S. Health care system, its organizational problems and possible alternatives.

In 1971, Sidel was a member of the first U.S. medical delegation invited to the People's Republic of China in 20 years; he has returned for frequent study visits and has published two books and many articles on health care in China. He has just returned from a visit to China on the 25th an-



Dr. Victor W. Sidel

iversary of his initial visit. He has also studied health care in a dozen other countries, and has been a consultant for the World Health Organization and the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF).

Sidel graduated from Princeton University, Harvard Medical School and the National Heart Institute in Bethesda, Md. He helped found Physicians for Social Responsibility in 1961, and was its president in 1987-88.

Sidel received the 1985 Nobel Prize for Peace, and since 1993 he has been Co-President of the International Physicians for the Prevention of Nuclear War (IPPNW).

His latest book, "War and Public Health," will be published this fall.

Sidel's lecture is sponsored by the local student chapter of Eastern North Carolina Physicians for Social Responsibility and the ECU department of medical humanities.

Campus crime on the rise

University officials search for answers, remedy

Angela Koenig
Staff Writer

With an ever increasing crime rate, many students are questioning their safety on campus.

In 1995, there were nine reported accounts of aggravated assault and seven arrests for these attacks. That was an increase from seven attacks and four arrests in 1994.

Hattie Pink is a withdrawn junior who was attacked in her dorm room on the first day of classes. She had her door propped open and was studying in her room when someone ran in and hit her on the head with a fire extinguisher. The assailant stole her purse but disposed of it after finding no cash.

Pink was forced to withdraw from school after missing two weeks of classes because of her injuries. She plans on returning to campus next semester, but does not feel safe any longer.

"When I did try to go back to class I was looking over my shoulder hoping someone wouldn't come after me and try to hurt me," she said.

Pink worked with freshmen at orientation last summer and warned them of the dangers on campus, but like many students never thought it could happen to her.

"Before (the assault) I heard

about things happening on campus, people getting attacked or whatever, but I never really thought about it happening to me. I guess I was naive," she said.

Her attacker remains at large.

Freshman Jill Broadway learned about the reality of on-campus attacks during orientation.

She was attacked in the stairway of Scott Hall by a student who lunged at her and pushed her back against the stairs.

Her assailant was apprehended later that night after punching a police officer.

"I was very angry. To have someone assault you, that you don't know, that you didn't do anything to is difficult to live with," Broadway said.

Like Pink she is now more cautious when on campus.

"I'm very cautious now. I have made with me wherever I go and it's out and ready to fire, unless I'm in a big group of people and even then I sometimes keep it out," Broadway said.

Her attacker received a prayer for judgment which means that unless he does anything else illegal he can have the attack taken off of his record after one year.

In addition to this he was suspended from campus and may not return. He can not approach or attempt to approach Broadway or he will be arrested.

Broadway found it difficult to

concentrate on her schoolwork after the attack.

"The court date kept being moved. I wouldn't sit and work because I would think about how I had to be in court. It's just too much pressure added to the pressure of being a freshman," she said.

When students are attacked on campus they have several options to consider. The office of the Dean of Students assists students in deciding what action to take and can help the students get counseling.

If the attacker is apprehended and is an ECU student, the student will have to face the campus judicial process as well as appear in the local courts.

"The campus judicial process is independent of downtown. [The case] is reviewed by a judicial committee and taken to the honor board before downtown even gets it on the docket," said Assistant Dean of Students Karen Boyd.

ECU's judicial process is student-run and the students decide what happens to the students. They have an adviser who deals only with aiding the students in matters of procedure.

The punishment given to the student, if found guilty, depends

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Professor comments on TEC textbook poll results

Says the books are not the real problem

Scott Hopkins
Staff Writer

Over the past few weeks, students have questioned both the rising cost of textbooks and their value.

In an Oct. 8 article in *TEC* students commented that textbooks are overpriced and under-used. Students said the purpose of purchasing textbooks was to supplement lectures.

According to Dr. Roger

Rulifson, a biology professor at ECU, students don't get the full worth of a textbook because most of them don't read them.

"We [professors] get the idea that we are better than the textbook writers," Dr. Gary Peterson, associate professor for the department of anatomy and sub-biology, said. "We create our own set of handouts, but we don't

"You need to create a format where the student will have to read the text in order to take part in the class."

— Dr. Gary Peterson, associate professor, department of anatomy and sub-biology

read the textbook."

Peterson said a lot of the problems stem from the way in which the professors use the text that they assign for class.

A large portion of the university lecture is the professor taking the time out to write out the lessons to make sure the students get the information they need.

"If the students and the professors would both read the text and use it, it would relieve a huge burden on the professor, and students would spend less time trying to second guess what is going to be on the tests," Peterson said.

In the Oct. 8 *TEC* article, Rulifson stated that students worry more about the price instead of the long term benefits which the text may provide. He believes that textbooks can be valuable tools, unless professors are asking students to buy expensive textbooks for just a few chapters. Course packets are now being used to supplement the few chapters in the text that the professor might use.

"We know our subject so well

that there's an ego involved," Peterson said. "What we need to do is pick the right book for the lesson, and follow the book directly. The concept is so easy it's almost like re-inventing the wheel. The textbook should be used as the tool it was made for."

College professors spend numerous hours each year preparing and performing lectures for students who are required to retain and use that knowledge for their future careers. A large percentage of these professors use lecture notes that they have been developing for years, and never even read the book they require.

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Volunteers needed for vaccination day

Local program offers free vaccines for senior citizens

Becky Alley
News Writer

ECU students have been presented with a new way to give back to Pitt County and its citizens by participating in Senior Vaccination Day this November.

Senior Vaccination Day is Nov. 3 and it is a chance for senior citizens to receive free flu and pneumonia immunizations at local high schools. This is the first time it has been held in Pitt County; it is modeled after a pilot program in Mecklenburg County called Vote and Vaccinate.

"This year the North Carolina

State Department of Environmental Health and Natural Resources thought it would be a great idea to hold a vaccination day statewide," Becky Young, director of training and Pitt County Volunteer Services, said.

Nurses and doctors will be providing and administering the immunizations, while several community groups will be providing refreshments. Young said student volunteers would assist in registering, meeting and greeting and directing senior citizens where to go.

"There will be a lead registrar at each location and they will tell the students what to do. The information from the registration is very important because that is what we are channeling back to the state and to Medicare to let them know our results," Young said.

The service will be provided to all senior citizens, regardless of if they have Medicare or not.

"We will not be turning any senior citizen away. What we are try-

ing to do is to reach those seniors who have not had these immunizations and want to receive them in their communities rather than have to go to the doctor's office. We are recruiting seniors through community groups and churches to get everyone involved in looking out for our seniors," Young said.

There will not be transportation provided from the Volunteer Services, but many local churches and organizations are providing rides for those who need them.

Young believes that health education majors, dietetic majors, social work majors and anyone interested in working with the elderly population would benefit from volunteering on Senior Vaccination Day.

"We already have several dietetic majors signed up to volunteer and we really are just thrilled at that," Young said.

"I'd like to mention to students at ECU that not only is this a great event for volunteers, but we have a

special event every month that we need volunteers for. We'd love to have any ECU students or organizations help do special projects to give back to the community. We also have special site based assignments where we pair volunteers with paid employees in particular areas they are interested in," Young said.

Senior citizens can receive immunizations at area high schools including Ayden-Grifton, D.H. Conley, Farmville, North Pitt and J.H. Rose.

The service is being provided in cooperation with the Public Health Center, Medical Society, Pitt County Memorial Hospital, Council on Aging, community schools, United Way, N.C. Cooperative Extension Service, Family Practice Center, AARP Chapter 2016, Pitt County EMS and Volunteer Services.

For more information on volunteering for this and other events please contact Becky Young at the Pitt County Government Volunteer Services at 830-2560.

Grants awarded to Injury Prevention Program

Freshmen program received \$740,000

Erika Swarts
News Writer

In its first year, the Eastern Carolina Injury Prevention Program received grant money totaling \$740,000 from the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) and Duke University in order to find ways to reduce traumatic injuries and deaths in eastern N.C.

"We feel extremely fortunate to have received funding for these important injury prevention projects during our first year in operation," director of

the Eastern Carolina Injury Prevention Program, Dr. Herb Garrison said.

One of the two grants to be funded by NHTSA was given to the Pitt Initiative for Safe Communities Evolving Successfully. This grant, worth \$4,470 over three years, is one of just two such programs in the country.

According to a medical center press release in 1993 over 13,000 patients were admitted to the emergency department at the medical center. Between 1988 and 1993 trauma admissions to the department rose 60 percent.

The first step in this three year process is to determine the injury problems facing Pitt County. The group researching the problems will be made up of local leaders. Together they will decide the best way to attack the problems.

The second project funded by NHTSA will go to the Rural Enhancement of Access and Care from

Trauma, or REACT. This project, receiving the majority of the grant money, will be led by Garrison, Dr. Kathleen Dunn and Dr. Paul Cunningham. The goal of this project is to reduce the amount of unnecessary traumatic deaths.

This is a follow-up study to one that Cunningham did in 1995. He found nearly 29 percent of all traumatic deaths in eastern North Carolina could have been prevented.

According to his research, too much time in the emergency department, delays in going to surgery and improper or harmful medications were responsible for the inappropriate deaths.

They hope this new project will develop standards for the region in trauma care. They also hope to teach emergency medical technicians the best methods for treating trauma patients.

The third project will build on the National Fire Protection Association's "Learn not to Burn" campaign. This project, funded by

University Housing Services is now accepting applications for the position of Resident Service Representative at the three area service desks. Preference is given to residential students. All applicants must have a clear judicial record and a minimum 2.2 GPA. Applicants must be customer service oriented. Outgoing, friendly with good organizational and administrative skills. Apply at any community service desk.

"If these projects are effective, we should be well on our way to achieving our core purpose, which is improving the health of the citizens of eastern North Carolina by reducing injuries."

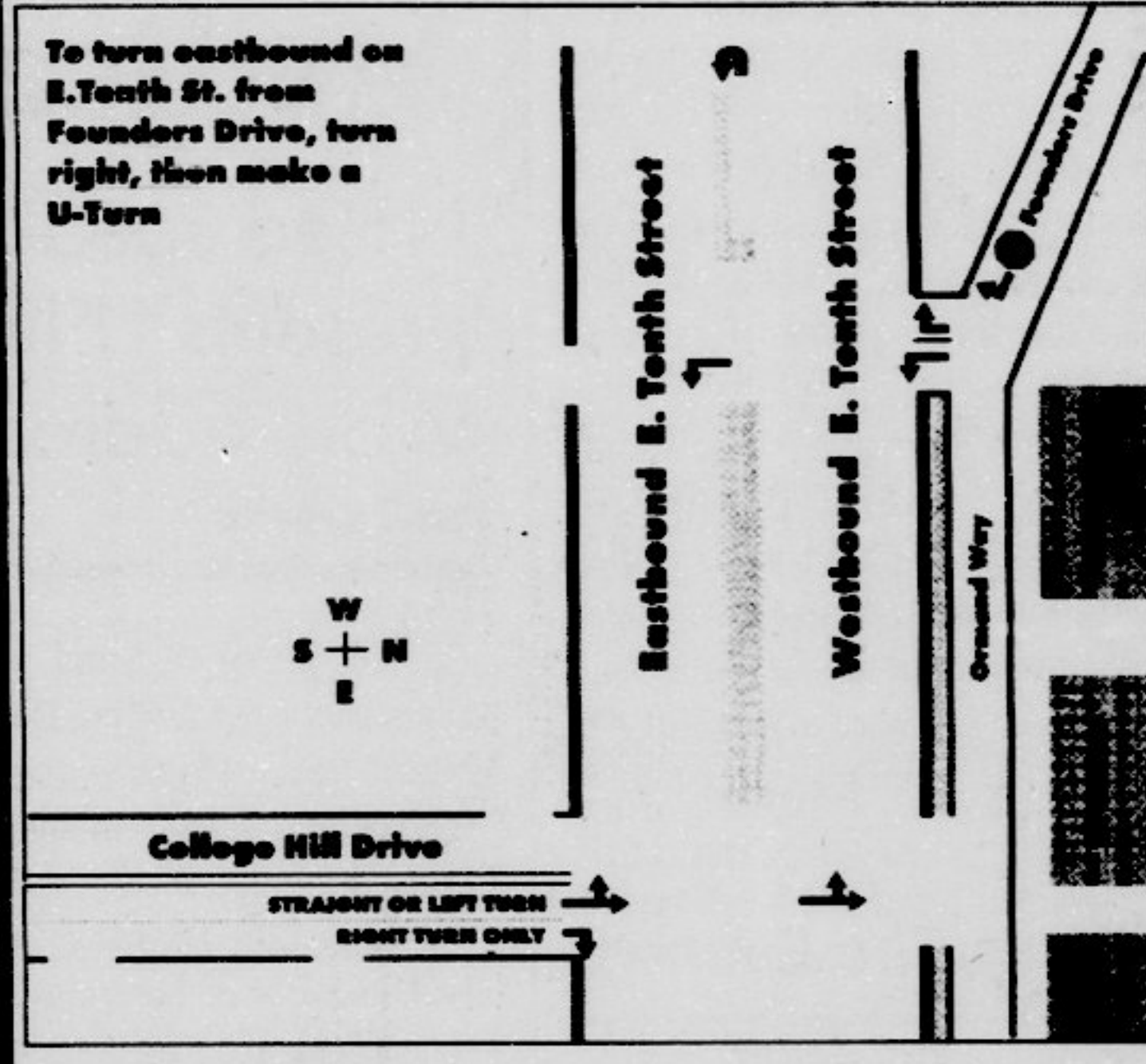
— Dr. Herb Garrison, director of the Eastern Carolina Injury Prevention Program

Traffic Announcements

The turning lanes of northbound College Hill Drive at the intersection of E. Tenth Street have been changed. The right lanes is for RIGHT TURNS ONLY. The left lane has the option of proceeding across E. 10th Street to the core of campus, or turning left onto westbound E. Tenth Street.

This change was implemented on October 17, but regardless of attempts to notify people of the change, there have been several near accidents at this intersection.

Effective December 2, the twenty-seven parking spaces north of Slay Hall and south of the Flanagan building which are currently designated for staff parking, will be redesignated for resident permit parking.



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NC inmates help improve state LA Times tracks Dole at polls

Community service gives prisoners productive outlet

Marina Henry
Staff Writer

North Carolina inmates are participating in community service activities, varying from scraping barnacles off of the ferries in Mann's Harbor to shoveling ice and snow from storms in the upper part of the state.

"Non-profit organizations can call us and fill out request forms for labor assistance. We provide the inmates, the transportation and the supervision. All the agency needs

to do is tell us what needs to be done and show us where," said Pitt County Correctional Center Assistant Supervisor Larry Dale.

Each work squad consists of 12 inmates and one supervising officer. The inmate must meet many qualifications dealing with temperament, desire to become a community and determination to become a productive member of society. Each applicant is carefully evaluated by a panel of law agents.

Each squad member works an eight hour day, totaling about 72 hours of work per day, per squad saving the community an average of \$300 per day for a project.

Anywhere from one to five squads are used to complete a project. Typical projects include painting schools and school buses, cleaning up after natural disasters (like the recent hurricanes) and cleaning cemeteries and dumps. They also construct picnic areas and steps for the upkeep of the many North Carolina parks.

"What one inmate lacks the knowledge to do, another will teach

him. They really help each other out," Dale said.

The two year old community work program has provided 906,159 hours of labor for N.C. communities, and 1,260 new jobs for the inmates.

Originating in 1994 at Greene County Correctional Center, it began with only 56 squads from 16 prisons and has now grown to 90 squads from 33 prisons this year. Another 51 squads are expected to be added next year. The program was originally started by Governor Jim Hunt as a way to get the work done and get the inmates out of the centers and working.

"The Governor wants to see more inmates working," said Patty McQuillan, the N.C. director of public information.

The program has saved the communities \$4,666,718. However, the communities receive more than just monetary savings from these workers.

In Raleigh, downed trees left by Hurricane Fran have been moved and chopped into firewood, which was donated to Wake Opportunities, a welfare organization that donates wood to about 100 families every one to two weeks during the win-

WASHINGTON (AP) - Trying to shore up his support in the traditionally Republican South, Bob Dole was courting Georgia and Florida in an accelerated mode.

Dole's campaign plans hopscotch stops in several other states, including up to three days in California - a 54-vote electoral prize the Republican nominee will contest to the end.

A new poll today indicated it will be an uphill battle - one the Dole seems to relish: Clinton holds a 20-point lead over Dole among likely California voters, according to a Los Angeles Times poll.

"I fought for America before, and I'm ready to fight for America's future again and again and again," Dole said Tuesday in Westerville, Ohio, referring to his World War II service.

"We're very excited about this race."

The Times poll put Clinton ahead 54 percent to 34 percent, virtually the same as a month ago when he led 53 percent to Dole's 36 percent.

The Times poll interviewed 1,551 Californians over a five-day period beginning the day after the final Clinton-Dole debate in San Diego on

Oct. 16. The sample included 1,038 registered voters who said they are likely to vote Nov. 5. The margin of error is plus or minus 3 percentage points.

At a series of stops Tuesday in Michigan and Ohio, Dole repeatedly urged people not to count him out despite Clinton's solid double-digit lead in the polls, including some bedrock Republican states.

Dole vowed to pull an upset akin to Truman's narrow 1948 victory over Republican Thomas E. Dewey.

"I never did meet President Dewey, did you? No. I'm like Harry Truman. I'm from the Midwest and I'm plainspoken, and I'm going to win whether you like it or not!" Dole said at one rally, brimming with optimism despite a cold that has left him hoarse.

One of the most famous political photos in American political history is Truman holding aloft a newspaper mistakenly proclaiming his defeat at the hands of Dewey. Now, Dole insists the country is in for a similar surprise, that voters will turn to his message of honest leadership.

"The headline for Nov. 6 will be: Ohio goes for Dole - Bob Dole elected president of the United States," declared Ohio Gov. George Voinovich.

"Regardless of what the pundits are saying, this election is about character and keeping your word."

Although Dole enjoys the symbolism of Truman's victory, there are some important differences: -Truman was the incumbent president, with all the political advantages of the White House. He used that edge to the utmost on a 9,504-mile train trip through 18 states that drew hundreds of thousands of people as the election hit its stretch run.

-A Gallup organization survey showed that Truman had shaved Dewey's lead from 13 points in mid-August to just 5 points in mid-October - before the train trip that drew intense media attention.

The Dole campaign has not shown the same kind of movement, at least in opinion polls. And the former Kansas senator is still battling to shore up states that should be certain GOP strongholds like Alabama and Arizona.

Still, Dole repeatedly urged his audiences Tuesday to work hard in his behalf, taking heart in the boisterous response he got from GOP partisans.

"This is the kind of spirit that will win the election," he said in Troy, Mich. "America's worth fighting for. Let's give America back to the people."

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Senator expecting eighth-term win

93 year-old Strom Thurmond looks for another victory

COLUMBIA, S.C. (AP) — Sen. Strom Thurmond's race for an eighth term has the air of a victory lap. Even those who say it's time for the 93-year-old Republican warhorse to call it a day are paying grudging homage.

Thurmond, leading his 43-year-old Democratic opponent, Elliott Close, in the polls, is content to keep it that way.

The nation's oldest senator ever — he set the record earlier this year — campaigns mostly on weekends at parades, festivals and football games.

He poses for pictures, shakes hands and occasionally gives a generic stump speech about how "it would take my opponent 60 years to catch up to what I can do in the next six years."

Close, heir to a textile fortune, is in a quandary. While he wants voters to retire Thurmond, he finds it necessary to acknowledge Thurmond's legendary ability to help constituents.

"I think he used to get results. I'm not sure how much is done for this state ... specifically by Strom Thurmond and how much is done by his staff," Close said.

Thurmond, chairman of the Senate Armed Services Committee, has been criticized in recent years as dependent on his staff and out of touch with the intricacies of public policy. Recent disclosures about Thurmond's use of state police as chauffeurs also caused a few grumbles.

But Thurmond has loomed large in South Carolina politics since he won an extraordinary write-in campaign for the Senate in 1954.

Two years later, fulfilling a promise to seek election in the tra-

ditional manner, he resigned and won the seat back. He left the Democratic Party for the GOP in 1964, and hasn't had a tough campaign since 1978, when Democrat Charles "Pug" Ravenel held him to 55 percent of the vote.

"Thurmond's done a good bit for South Carolina, but I still say he should get down," said 72-year-old Robert Lewis Griffin of Greenville.

But then there are those like Ray McAdams, a 67-year-old retired Duke Power Co. employee from Cherokee County.

"A lot of people, when a man gets to be a little up in age, they like to turn him out to pasture," McAdams said. "I think (Thurmond) is a person who really goes to bat for the little people. What I mean by that is the working class of people."

Close admits his family's reaction to the prospect of his challenging Thurmond was hardly positive. "Mainly, they thought I was nuts

for thinking about it," he said.

He most often addresses the age issue obliquely by promising to serve no more than two terms and frequently mentioning that Thurmond began his public life in the late 1920s.

But in a recent Close commercial, elderly actors talk about how Thurmond is too old and needs to "come home."

If he wins and completes his six-year term, Thurmond, whose birthday is Dec. 5, would be 100. But he has never been

one to let age stand his way. At the age of 66, for instance, Thurmond married 22-year-old beauty queen Nancy Moore. The couple separated in 1991, though Thurmond continues to wear his wedding band. One of their four children, Nancy, was hit by a car while walking and killed in 1993.

In tune with his conservative state, Close supports a balanced

budget.

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"Studies have shown that the lecture format is the worst way to learn," Peterson said. "You need to create a format where the student will have to read the text in order to take part in the class. The most important aspect of teaching is finding a student's misconceptions and being able to correct them."

Peterson recommended that in order for a professor and a student to get the most out of a lecture or a textbook they must center the lecture around interactive or "hands-on" use of the information in order for the professors to find out what the students do and don't understand.

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budget amendment and campaign finance reform and sometimes speaks about "fighting Ted Kennedy and the liberals" in the Senate if elected. He refuses political action committee donations.

In one-on-one exchanges he's forceful and animated. On the campaign trail, however, it's clear Close is unlikely to ever become a Thurmond-style gladhandler. "I'm shy," Close says.

He has tried to get Thurmond to debate him, but Thurmond, who says he last debated an opponent in 1950, refuses.

"I run my own campaign, let them run theirs," Thurmond said. The senator focuses mostly on

the constituent service that even Close praises: getting passports and wayward Social Security checks for people or grants for local communities.

"Probably you ought to come up here and look through all of what we are doing," Thurmond said in a recent telephone interview from Washington. "It's just amazing the things we do."

Thurmond rarely campaigns on national issues, speaking instead of what he wants to deliver or has delivered for the state.

His commercials use "real people." In one, an elderly widow with a litting Southern drawl talks of how Thurmond made sure she got her husband's Social Security money after his death.

A few years ago, asked by a reporter for a suggested epitaph, Thurmond responded: "How about, 'He loved the people, and the people loved him?'"

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INMATE from page 3

ter. From clearing Unstead Park alone, 40 to 50 hardwood logs were cleared. This will provide warmth for many elderly citizens this winter. Houses of needy people are also being renovated.

At the North Carolina Sword of Peace Historical Site in Alamance County, where many historical outdoor dramas are performed for the public, trees have been cleared so that performances may continue. Trees were also cleared and the grounds raked at the Alamance Battleground. Debris was cleared, holes were filled and walking trails were cleaned up at Jones State Park by Bladen Youth Center inmates. Bush axes, shovels and rakes were used to clearing the Aycock birthplace near Pikeville. Carolina Beach State Park, Fort Fisher and Kure Beach recreation areas have also been cleaned by work squads.

"We get letters from the com-

munity and government agencies saying how much money was saved and praising the inmates for the high quality of work they have done. But the best response is the eagerness of the inmates to do these jobs. They really enjoy doing things to help the community," McQuellan said.

Closer to home, the inmates from the Pitt County Correctional Center are scheduled to clean up hurricane and flood damage in the next few weeks in Winterville and Ayden.

"It is a good program because it helps the smaller communities get jobs done that they ordinarily wouldn't be able to afford doing. They have a limited number of employees and the work is good for the inmates as well as society," said Lois Sowers from the Pitt County Correctional Center.

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CRIME from page 1

on the severity of the crime. Attacks have also been occurring close to campus involving ECU students.

Senior Josh Paucher was attacked at Fourth St. and Library St. recently. He was walking home from downtown at about 1 a.m. when he was attacked from behind by two males. The males stole his wallet and have not been arrested.

However, he does not feel unsafe on campus or the surrounding area now.

"I have been on campus many times at night alone over the past four years and have never had anything happen," Paucher said. "It's just a nuisance having to get a new license, credit cards and stuff."

The 1995 Crime in N.C. Report, published by the NC Department of Justice and the State Bureau of Investigation (SBI) reports that there were 30,230 reports of aggravated assault in Greenville that year. This was an increase from the 29,888 accounts in 1994.

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OPINION

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Our View

Bob Dole would prefer Ross Perot to step down from the presidential election race. It's America; shouldn't we encourage active participation by all interested parties?

The times, they are a-changin'. As we move into the next millenium, the face of politics is undergoing major plastic surgery. When was the last time that a politician was so scared of the damage he might face from an opponent that he asked him to step down? Well it happened with Bob Dole. Dole has recently asked presidential candidate Ross Perot to take himself out of the race so that the G.O.P won't suffer a split in direction and motivation.

Whether or not you support Dole, you have to admit that this request is a bit out of line. We wonder if this might not set a new standard for our political races. In what has for countless years been a two-party race, the run for president was unexpectedly given a wake up call during the '92 election, when Perot made himself a viable candidate with the support of close to 20 percent of the voting public.

Although Perot never seemed to be a serious contender, the simple fact that he was present gave voice to an outcry that has been building for several decades. The people want more than two choices. Now that we have a second election in which three parties are running, the time seems viable for a multitude of options.

Yet Dole doesn't seem to want this. He is scared of a political system that involves more than two sides.

And you can be sure that the Democrats are as well. If Clinton were the one who would suffer from Perot's presence in the race, than he would likely want Perot gone too. There's no way to tell if Clinton would actually ask Perot to remove himself as Dole did, but it's a sure bet that Clinton would wish that Perot wasn't running.

Which brings us again to Dole. So what if Dole is slipping in the polls? So what if Perot comes out of nowhere at the last minute to include himself in this race? So what if many people feel that Perot is annoying and doesn't stand much of a chance? The point is that a number of people do believe in Perot, or at the very least, believe that support should be given for a third choice.

If Dole were to have his way and Perot dropped out of the race because of Dole's whining, then what kind of precedent would that set for the races to come? It seems to go against some of our American principles, like fairness, healthy competition, working hard, striving to win against all odds and so on.

Politics may be black and white now, but with determination and luck, perhaps that will change in the future and with shades of gray, we won't be stuck choosing between Dole and Clinton.

Letters to the Editor

To the Editor,

I am writing in response to Jay Myers' article of Oct. 8, in which he (or she?) attacked a particular senator from North Carolina, while vilifying the South in general. Although I have no objections to the criticisms of the senator, who is very much as Myers paints him, I do object to these cliché criticisms of the entire South. I have no doubt that we are less than perfect, but I don't think we are quite the ogres this article suggests.

One point that Myers attempts to make is that, so far as race relations are concerned, the South has changed very little and lags far behind the rest of the country. This is blatantly untrue. Though it certainly is true that there are racists in the South, the same can be said about any other region of the country. Look at the beating of Rodney King in California, or more recently, the acquittal of the police officer in New York who strangled to death a young Hispanic male. There are Klan marches in the Midwest and skinheads in the North. On the other hand, while the South is perhaps no better (sic) the rest of the country as regards racial bigotry, I think it is obvious to anyone with even a cursory knowledge of history that it is a paradise compared to what it once was.

Also, I am not really clear what this article is saying about censorship. If Myers is saying that it's bad, I certainly agree. But if the suggestion is that censorship is commonplace in the South, I have to disagree. The fact that he (or she) was able to get this unpleasant article into print destroys the censorship argument.

I'll close by simply saying that I am very tired of bigoted, stereotypical characterizations of the South as a whole, since we are as diverse in our views and behaviors as anyone else. And I might also add that I am not the slightest bit interested in the gastric disturbances of Myers' grandmother.

Daniel Ketchum
Senior
Hist./Anth Double Major

To the Editor,

As the writer of this particular article, I would like to respond to Mr. Ketchum's letter (I will go ahead and make the assumption that Daniel is a man's name).

I believe sir, that thou dost protest too much. If you had paid closer attention to the theme of the article, you would have been able to pick up the fact that my article was never intended to make any cliché criticisms of the South. I love the South. I'm a Southerner.

What I did intend to do was make other Southerners who had read the article aware of what I find to be a major problem that we share at a cultural level. Southerners try to cover up or dismiss or ignore problems that should be dealt with, and I used my family as well as Senator Jesse Helms as examples of this error in judgment.

I attacked Helms in particular on the subjects of family values, racism, gun control, sex education, censorship and desegregation because I feel that his stance on these issues is indicative of the cultural problem to which I referred. As a Southerner, I personally don't agree with his position, and I actively protest against him at every election. However, he has been re-elected so often that I made the assumption that there must be a large number of Southerners who do agree with his position.

This is where you come in, Mr. Ketchum. You yourself serve as a perfect example of the problem to which I was referring.

You make a concerted effort to deny that anything is wrong here in the South and vilify me for even proposing that it might be so. Also, you refer to my grandmother's problem as "gastric disturbances" when in actuality what my grandmother was trying to cover up with that infamous match was much more than mere gas. She had a bowel movement, okay. Everyone has them. I have them, you have them, and my grandmother certainly has them. What I want for the South, what I want from you, Mr. Ketchum, is to stop denying that it happens.

Let's all forget the pretty face and the nice smile. Sure, things have changed. If you want proof of the fact that I have noticed the changes, then read my column that ran in the Oct. 22 paper. However, we still have a long way to go.

That's what you need to admit, Mr. Ketchum. If things are ever going to really change down here, and I mean really change, then we're going to have to deal with the fact that things haven't changed as much as we would like to believe that they have. I hope that that is clear enough for you.

If you take the time to read this letter, then you might just realize that we're really on the same side. I don't want to be pigeonholed as an "ogre" for being Southern anymore than you do. But there are plenty of "ogres" down here, and they haven't changed since they first set foot in this country hundreds of years ago. Let's you and I change things, Mr. Ketchum. Let's stop the "ogres" from speaking for us. Let's show the world what the South is really about.

If I can answer any other questions that you have about my stance on things, please feel free to contact me at *The East Carolinian*.

Jay Myers
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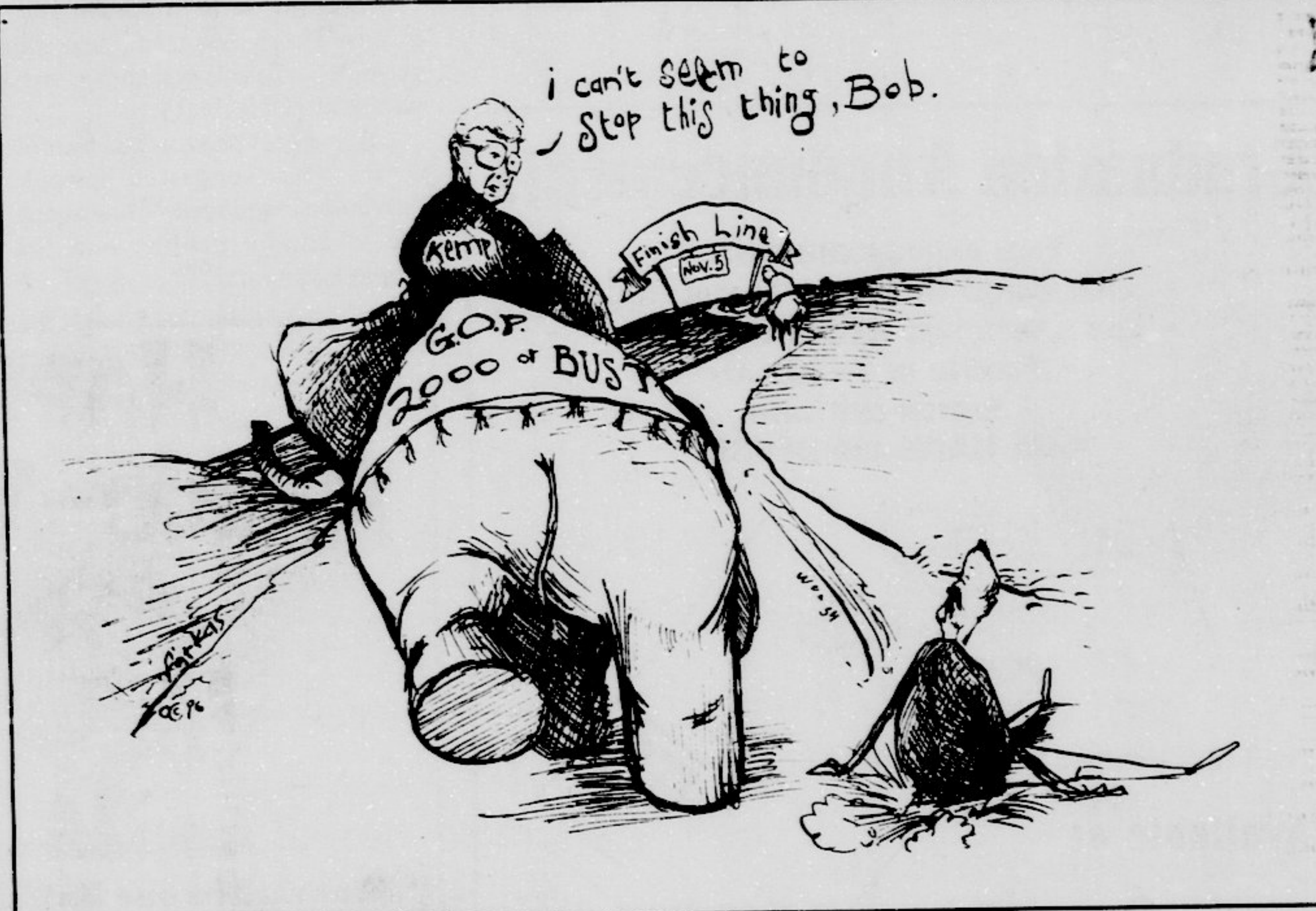
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ECU needs a new congressman

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In this big election year of 1996, forget all the big, glossy political campaigns on the national level and think closer to home. Our congressman is arguably the most powerful government official we have over our local lives. That is why it is so important for ECU to have a good congressman and that's why we should consider George Parrott.

Currently, ECU's congressman is Walter Jones, Jr. and Representative Eva Clayton also presides over other parts of Greenville. Congressman Jones has one incredible asset and that is the legend of his extraordinary father. Walter Jones, Sr. governed over the first district for many years and did an incredible job. Jones Sr. encouraged his young son to get involved in politics, and indeed, he took after his father. He was appointed to the State House, where he served as an able state representative for 12 years. After Jones Sr.'s unfortunate passing, Eva Clayton was picked to fill his shoes. Jones Jr. left the State House to run against Clayton, and was soundly defeated. Walter Jr. was upset. He knew he couldn't defeat Clayton, so he did two unconscionable things.

First, he ran in 1994 as the only U.S. Representative not to live in his district. Secondly, he sold his soul and changed every political belief he had held for years and changed his affiliation from Democratic to Republican just to win. He was pro-choice for years, and all of a sudden, he became a pro-

Larry Freeman

Opinion Columnist

...our congressman ... voted 100 percent of the time with the Speaker of the House.

life ultra-conservative. He was a crusader for campaign finance reform, and all of a sudden, he raked in thousands of dollars from the special interests. He changed his core beliefs just to get elected, and got away with it. He defeated Martin Lancaster in 1994, and here we are.

An important thing to ask is: What has our congressman done for ECU? In the words of my grandmother, he hasn't done diddly-squat. In fact, he voted to cut \$10 billion out of the College Loan program. He has voted to eliminate the Department of Education, has cut funding for Public Broadcasting and has vowed never to support an increase in the minimum wage as long as he is in Congress. He has cut \$2.3 billion from the Environmental Protection Agency. He also cut \$270 billion out of Medicare while offering a \$245 tax cut to the wealthiest one percent of the popu-

lation.

These are all facts.

His opponent is George Parrott. He is a man who wants to represent each and every student at East Carolina University, as well as the rest of the third district. He wants to right the wrongs committed by the extreme Gingrich Congress. Parrott, though, is a moderate Democrat. He is tough on crime; vowing to work on reducing the length of the ridiculously slow appeals processes and he wholeheartedly supports victims' rights. He is a small businessman and wants to promote eastern North Carolina businesses. He supports Governor Hunt's successful Smart Start program, and he wants to strengthen our flimsy environmental laws. It's time to quit talking about it, as Parrott says, and get the job done.

Finally, on deficit reduction, Parrott states "I want to work to eliminate the deficit and balance the budget, but not on the backs of students, the elderly and the environment." Most importantly, Parrott wants to work for us, and not Newt Gingrich. What do I mean? If you exclude several meaningless votes orchestrated to dilute their compared voting record with Mr. Gingrich (such as voting no on the *Daily Journal*), the fact is that our congressman, Walter Jones, Jr. voted 100 percent of the time with the Speaker of the House, 100 percent!

That's not a congressman, that's a puppet.

We need someone to represent ECU. We need George Parrott.

Support progressive change on the bench

Over a year has passed since O.J. Simpson was found not guilty for the murders of Nicole Brown and Ron Goldman. During the Simpson trial and the media circus that surrounded it, the subject of domestic violence was brought into the spotlight. Domestic violence tears at the very fabric of family and is an extremely troubling issue.

Women's advocate groups are to be commended for their efforts to end spousal abuse. However, as with any cause, an extremely liberal view can prove detrimental to one's efforts. Columnist John Leo points to an important study of domestic abuse. The study began in 1975 and was most recently updated in 1992. In the May 13, 1996 issue of *U.S. News and World Report*, Leo states that, due in large part to the efforts of women's organizations, husband abuse toward wives has declined since 1975. During that same time, though, spousal abuse toward husbands has remained static. As a result, instances of wives assaulting husbands are now higher than husbands assaulting wives.

Ironically, under mandatory arrest laws, states are now seeing more wives arrested for petty assaults than husbands. By focusing on one side of the issue and

Steve Higdon

Opinion Columnist

So, ladies think twice before you slap your boyfriend, under liberal legislation you may be the one arrested.

demonizing men, Leo maintains that far left groups have missed a prime opportunity to lower all domestic abuse cases. Also in typical liberal fashion, arrest laws that were supposedly meant to help women are now getting them arrested. So, ladies think twice before you slap your boyfriend; under liberal legislation you may be the one arrested.

This is not to say that women's abuse is to be trivialized; it is a very legitimate issue. Instances of husband-to-wife violence are much more violent. Women are much more likely to be seri-

ously injured or killed in a domestic violence incident. The time has come for solid reform that protects the rights of women and children, rather than penalizing victims.

It is good to know that people are working to stop such violence. Ann H. Barnhill is such a person. Barnhill is a trial lawyer specializing in domestic violence and family law. Since 1979 Barnhill has fought for the rights of abused women here in Pitt County.

With sexual harassment and domestic violence so prevalent in society, Mrs. Barnhill is a bright light on the horizon. In an unprecedented move, Barnhill is running for election to the district court bench in Pitt County. She is the first woman to ever file for election for this position in Pitt County's history. If elected, Barnhill will be the first woman and the first Republican to be elected to this position. In the true Republican tradition she will fight for individual rights, this time the rights of battered women. Help to show that Pitt County is a progressive community with the interests of women and family at heart. Let's help to break Pitt County's "Good Ol' Boy" network with the election of Ann H. Barnhill to District Court Judge.

LIFE *style*



Eye on the Arts

Classical music comes to campus



Photo Courtesy of Columbia Artists Managements Inc.

The oldest chamber orchestra of its kind in Great Britain, The London Chamber Orchestra, will perform both classical and contemporary pieces in Wright Auditorium tonight at 8 p.m.

Jennifer Coleman
Senior Writer

Think classical music isn't your thing? Well, think again.

The London Chamber Orchestra has been convincing people to change their minds about classical music for years. One of the Orchestra's goals is to reach as many people as they can while still maintaining the quality of good classical music. How do they do that? Easy — by convincing even hardcore rock fans that classical music isn't so bad.

Led by musical director Christopher Warren-Green since 1988, the London Chamber Orchestra gave its first European tour in 1992 when it traveled to over ten countries. Dur-

ing that tour, they performed successful concerts at traditional classical venues as well as at many venues that were traditionally for "rock" music.

Their ability to draw broad audiences is a tribute to the vision of Warren-Green. His career began at an early age. At 19 he joined the Academy of St. Martin-in-the-Fields and was named concertmaster of the Philharmonia Orchestra of London (POL) when he was only 21.

Think about that — I'm twenty and all I've done so far is write a few articles for a college paper. Maybe I should have paid more attention to my violin during elementary school?

For six years Warren-Green served as concertmaster of the POL until, in 1985, he returned to the Academy to serve as concertmaster. A per-

former as well as a concertmaster, Warren-Green has performed as soloist with the London Philharmonic Orchestra, the Royal Philharmonic Orchestra, the City of Birmingham Symphony and the Singapore Symphony, among others. He has worked with such famous conductors as Giuseppe Sinopoli and Michael Tilson Thomas. He has conducted the London Philharmonia in a performance for Princess Diana. In short, the man knows his stuff.

I know you're sitting there thinking, "Why should I go see them in concert?"

Let me tell you why. The London Chamber Orchestra is unlike any orchestra you will ever

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Academy Award animation available

Dale Williamson
Assistant Lifestyle Editor

Toy Story, the first ever fully computer-animated feature film, is due out on video today, and it's sure to generate boffo business in rentals and sales. While this animated phenomena deserves all the attention and praise it receives, another animated wonder that deserves the same respect is currently out on video.

The dynamic team of Wallace & Gromit (a dense inventor and a rather brilliant dog, respectively) has become a huge hit on the BBC in Britain and is developing a strong cult following here (so far, over 100,000 Wallace & Gromit videos have been sold in the United States).

While the Wallace & Gromit series is just as impressive as *Toy Story*, there are some distinct differences. First, Wallace & Gromit are not products of the computer age. Instead, they are given life through the classic style of claymation, but of a much higher-than-usual quality than is normal for the art form. The claymation of Wallace & Gromit is just as cutting edge as any computer-generated effect, and it has not gone unnoticed from the critical community. Thus far, the Wallace & Gromit series has been nominated for three Academy Awards and has won two.

The second difference is a minor one but should still be pointed out. The Wallace & Gromit films are animated shorts instead of features, meaning they only last approximately 30 minutes each. Still, each 30-minute tape is filled with feature-film quality.

The final distinction centers around the humor of Wallace & Gromit. They are creations of the Brits, and, as many know, the British notion of humor can be a bit



Photo Courtesy of BBC productions

Claymation artist Nick Park's dense inventor, Wallace, and his rather brilliant dog, Gromit, bring fun to the Oscar level.

more subtle and bizarre than the American and sometimes it's just plain silly.

But that only makes Wallace & Gromit all the more delicious. The films exhibit not only animation at its best but also humor filled with wit and intelligence, a nice alternative to most animation flooding the market.

The genius behind the animated duo is Nick Park, who began his life-long project back in 1983 when he started working on the first Wallace & Gromit story, *A Grand Day Out*. Park's expertise in claymation is the result of a career filled with ground-breaking moments in animation. He was one of the masterminds who thrilled the eye with dazzling animated effects

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Midnight Madness mauls Mendenhall



Photo Courtesy of Student Union

Last year, Midnight Madness had a ghou, a pumpkin carving contest, and a buffet of scrambled brains, vulture gizzards, ghost blood, quicksand, wolf biscuits and mummy skin.

Andy Turner
Staff Writer

"I'm gonna wait 'til the midnight hour, that's when my love comes tumblin' down," rhythm and blues singer Wilson Pickett once sang.

With no disrespect to "Wicked" Pickett, Mendenhall Student Center and the Division of Student Life hope that you'll reserve that time spot for them as they let the fun tumble down during Midnight Madness on Halloween night.

The best part: it's free for all students.

Midnight Madness will be held from 9 p.m. to 2 a.m. at the student center. Activities slated to run through the night include video karaoke, a psychic hotline and open bowling, billiards, and table tennis; also planned are a DJ dance, fortune tellers and, at midnight, a costume contest.

New this year to Midnight Madness is Illusion N' Fusion — virtual-reality based fun specially geared for Halloween. Illusionist and comic Adam Steinfield will perform at

10:30 p.m. in Hendrix Theatre. If after all these events you find your self thirsty or hungry, that is covered, too. Witches Brew will be served throughout the evening, and from 11 p.m. to 1 a.m. the dining hall will serve up a free breakfast buffet.

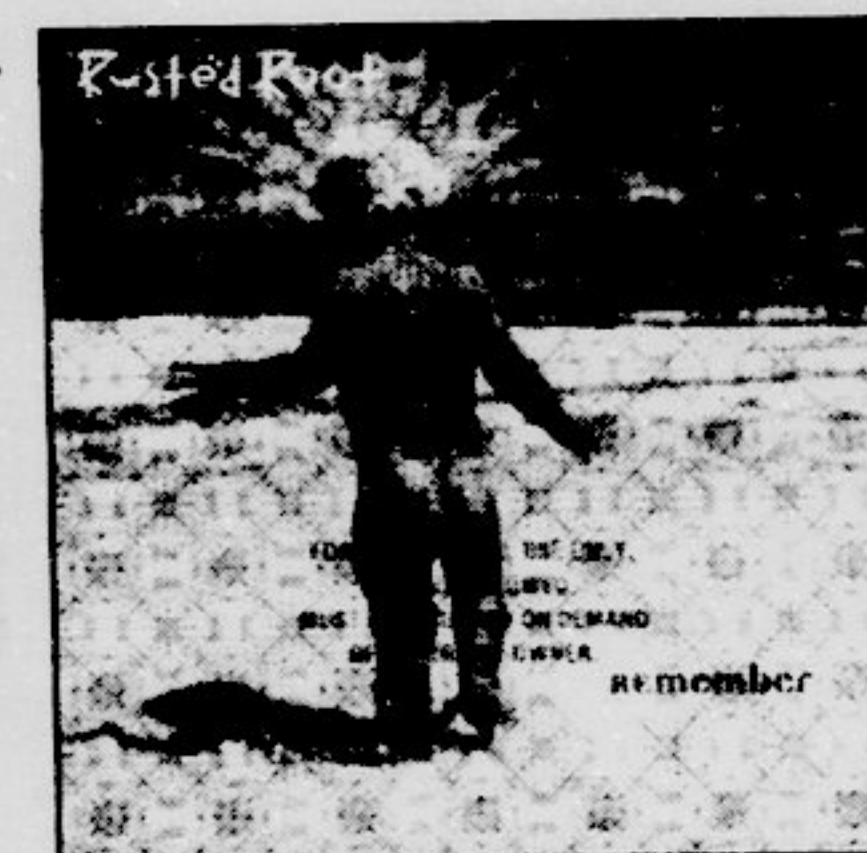
The buffet menu may be of interest to you: scrambled brains, vulture gizzards, ghost blood, quicksand, wolf biscuits and mummy skin. Somehow that translates into eggs, sausage, grits, sausage gravy.

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CD Reviews



The Jon Spencer Blues Explosion
Now I Got Worry



Rusted Root
Remember



Jay Myers
Lifestyle Editor

Finally, The Blues Explosion is back with a new album. That's not to say that the members of the band haven't been busy.

Since their last album, *Orange*, Jon himself has recorded an album with Boss Hog (a band which includes his wife Cristina Martinez), Russell Simins, the drummer, has played backing tracks for Fred Schneider's (of the B-52's) last solo album, *Fred*, and was part of a group called Butter (which also includes members of Cibo Matto) who released an album and toured in support of it last year. Finally, all three members of the Blues Explosion, Spencer, Simins and guitarist Judah Bauer, also performed as the backing band for the veteran blues artist R.L. Burnside on his last album, *A Ass Pocket of Whiskey*.

The result of all of that hard work and all those disparate influences is the phenomenal tour de force, *Now I Got Worry*. The Blues Explosion is possibly more riveting and powerful on this new album than they have ever been.

The album opens with Spencer screaming for over 15 seconds straight, making sound almost as if

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Derek T. Hall
Senior Writer

Where this sextet is coming from no one will ever know. Rusted Root, the band from Pittsburgh, Pa. that originally formed in 1990, has been taking the underground by storm for six years. With this new album, *Remember*, the band seems to have made their way into the mainstream.

The album starts off with "Faith I Do Believe," an unbelievable track. They take it to you right from the get go. The sound is identifiable and people will hear melodies that will take them as far as India. It's a hell of a journey.

The album then proceeds to keep your attention with classical guitars and mandolins on the second track, "Heaven." Falsettos ring out from singer-songwriter/guitarist Michael Glabicki and Liz Berlin, who plays percussion and provides supporting vocals. It's an impressive array of harmony. Take the time to close your eyes and listen: I guarantee it will be worth it.

The most amazing thing about this band is their timing. The band is composed of six members and five of them are percussion players. If anything, they've got the groove.

Above all, the band is very di-

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There is nothing more useful than screaming at a wall. It's just spittle and bricks, bricks and spittle. However, if you put enough voices together, that wall might just be blown over. So join in another futile attempt to change the status quo and listen to a "Scream at the Wall."

Dale Williamson
Assistant Lifestyle Editor

I grew up loving Chuck Connors. He was my childhood idea of the hero. He was strong, sturdy, brave, and undefeatable. He was, and to this day still is, *The Rifleman*.

Ah, *The Rifleman*, that vintage TV western series of my youth. Sure, the show was made long before my parents even thought of my existence, but it still came on local television stations courtesy of reruns.

Just the thought of that show carries me back to an idealized time of my life when I had nothing better to do than lounge around the TV after a grueling day's work at elementary school; or when I would bury myself in the colorful comic-book worlds of Stan Lee, Jack Kirby and countless other storytellers who dared to defy the laws of physics; or when I would focus all of my energy and imagination into the plastic molds of Star Wars figures, G.I. Joes or Shogun Warriors. I was a child then, and loving every minute of it.

I'm grown now (at least physically), but like much of my generation I have a desire to recapture some of my childhood. I get a special, undefinable joy when hearing the School House Rock song "Conjunction Junction." My heart skips a beat when I'm at a

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he is giving birth to this new album. The first track, "Skunk," sounds like a perfect mixture of Boss Hog's gothic punk and Spencer's own walling tendencies.

The album quickly moves into classic Blues Explosion territory with "Identify," a fast rocker with a one-word lyric, and "Wail," which has sonic links to "Sweat," one of the best tracks from *Orange*.

Next, there's a change-up when the band covers a Dub Narcotic track, "Fuck Shit Up," in which Bauer takes lead vocals over a synopated drum loop and a smattering of guitar. This is definitely new and strange for the Blues Explosion. It's always good to see a band challenge themselves and move into uncharted territory.

"2 Kindsa Love" and "Love All of Me" are primo power punk blues from Spencer and company. They're the kind of songs that you know will serve get a crowd dancing and sweating, two things that definitely happen during the intense Blues Explosion shows.

The legendary Rufus Thomas makes his first appearance on a Blues Explosion record with "Chicken Dog," a vintage blues track he wrote himself. Only Jon Spencer could get a blues statesman like Thomas to play, sing and bark (that's right I said bark) on a record for him. This track has to be heard to be believed.

Following the caterwauling end of "Chicken Dog" comes the fantastic track "Rocketship." Possibly the best song on the album, "Rocketship" features a slide guitar, a slowed down pace, and vocals that sound a bit like old Aerosmith. Although this might sound like a disastrous combination to some, here it works wonderfully. This tune is one that demands repeated listening.

"Dynamite" and "Hot Shot" return back to familiar Blues Explosion territory with their full-on auditory attack. "Dynamite" features

Spencer doing his patented Mick Jagger/Elvis Presley cross-over impersonation. "Hot Shot" is a throbbing rockabilly instrumental that is shot through with small vocal yelps.

The first time that I heard "Can't Stop" I couldn't get the saloon piano roll that runs through the song out of my head. It came as no surprise to me to learn that the piano was played by none other than Mark Ramos-Nishita, also known as Money Mark, a successful solo artist and erstwhile keyboardist for the Beastie Boys. Money Mark also contributes to two other tracks on the album as well.

And the Beastie's influence doesn't end there, either. One of the engineers that worked on *Now I Got Worry* was Mario Caldato, Jr. who produced the extremely successful Beastie Boys albums *Check Your Head* and *Ill Communication*.

"Can't Stop" is probably neck-in-neck with "Rocketship" for best track on the album, if only for the reason that it includes these sarcastic lines: "This is the part of the record, / Where I'd like everybody to stand up / Throw their hands in the air..." and in typical Jon Spencer fashion, he doesn't say "and wave 'em like you just don't care," but instead, "and kiss my ass, / Cuz your girlfriend still loves me." Beautiful.

The album continues the Money

Mark keyboard influence on "Firefly Child," which rotates a constant wall of guitar noise with that of a cheesy clavinet organ.

"Eyeballin'" churns its way through the latter part of the album, and the slide guitar returns. At the end, it suddenly breaks into a short but powerful drum attack by Simins.

This leads into the instrumental "R.L. Got Soul" which is underpinned by a low chant much like those of the Buddhist monks on the Beasties' *Ill Communication*.

"Get Over Here" explodes out of the stereo in more typical punk fashion like Spencer used to do back in his Pussy Galore days. All of the amps are definitely turned to 11 on this one.

Finally, "Sticky," an instrumental oddity that sounds like the soundtrack to some wacko performance art, closes out the album on a weird note.

Spencer has certainly redefined the labels "alternative," "punk" and "blues" that people in the music industry like to pigeonhole acts into, and in the process he has created a masterpiece of modern music. If you don't do yourself the favor of going out and buying this record right now, then you'll be missing out on a true gem. No recent music deserves the "pay full price" rating more than *Now I Got Worry*.

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AWARD from page 7

Wallace is simpler, and somewhat foolish."

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A *Grand Day Out* features the top-notch animation that has become a staple of Park's work, but it is mainly a goofy little adventure with little plot. However, *The Wrong Trousers*, the second short in the series, decidedly focuses more effort on plot and creates a

classy film noir-esque treat with a Hitchcockian edge. In this story, a mysterious penguin, who has some sort of evil plan up his wing, becomes a boarder in the home of Wallace & Gromit. While Wallace finds the penguin to be an enjoyable housemate, the wiser Gromit has suspicions. By focusing more on plot, Park's work on *The Wrong Trousers* won the 1993 Academy Award for best animated short film.

This focus on plot carries through to the third short, *A Close Shave*, with the same results. Park and co-writer Bob Baker both pay homage to the classic mystery/detective films of days past with storylines that would seem ludicrous in any genre other than animation. Where else but in an animated film could one write about a man and his brilliant dog who become entangled in a conspiracy involving disappearing sheep, a mys-

terious woman who owns a wool shop, and a menacing dog with superior strength? The result: *A Close Shave* won another best animated short film Academy Award for Park last year.

Other notable aspects of the Wallace & Gromit series include the amusingly appropriate musical score of Julian Nott; the extraordinary lighting effects created through Parks' eye for enticingly detailed visuals; the edge-of-your-seat action-packed climatic endings for each story; and, last but not least, the impeccable voice of Peter Sallis, who helps bring the character of Wallace to glorious life.

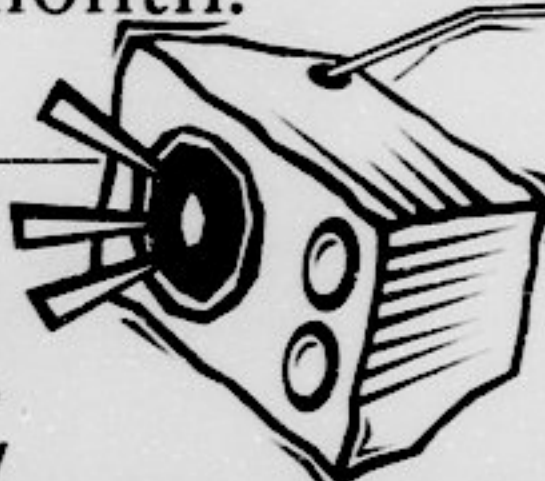
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ROOT from page 7

verse. Their sound ranges from a jungle-like rhythm to beats played behind a slide guitar, as on track four, "Virtual Reality." The band's roots remain prominent, however, they take on a whole new sound. It's different. Different is good.

The band tends to get crazy on songs like "Voodoo" and "Silver-N-Gold," mainly because of Glabicki's

voice. His presence is there and it shines.

The seventh song, the lucky number, is called "Dangle." It has a change that picks up so smoothly and takes you back to the ever impressive "Dancing Nancies," which was written by Dave Matthews in his early twenties. It's always great to see artists using the influence of

others around them, even if these influences happen to be alive and kicking today.

The most surprising thing about this album is the acoustic sound. From the way it was written to the way it was recorded, you can tell that the band is really stretching out and opening their minds to new sounds and recording tech-

niques.

Jim Donovan, Jim DiSpirito, Patrick Norman, John Buynak and Liz Berlin all play percussion and sing on this album. The communication levels are up. They sound like a family. I guess if you've been working on your sound for six years and don't seem to mind the wait, you've found a place called home.

The last two songs on this record, "Scattered" and "Circle of Remembrance" stand out and leave you with a record fulfilled. Just like the rest of the album, the songs are different, but they relate. You can tell they're coming from the same place

– Glabicki's cerebral cortex. (That's his mind if you're not into the psychology thing.) It's the fire inside this man that has kept this band going.

And with each additional member, it's just like adding gasoline to the flame. Growing brighter by the moment they are Rusted Root.

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biscuits and bacon.

Marketing Director Carol Woodruff said Midnight Madness, hosted and planned by staff members, is intended to provide an alternative for students in an alcohol-free environment.

"It is an activity that came out of a desire to give students something different to do on Halloween night," she explained.

Woodruff and her staff will make the student center an appropriate site for Midnight Madness as they plan to decorate Mendenhall on every level with ghosts, goblins, cobwebs and other Halloween-inspired decorations.

The event has been well-attended in the past, and Woodruff expects nothing less this year.

"I'd like to encourage people

to come out," she said. "I think this year is going to be an awful lot of fun."

Woodruff also encouraged students with any other ideas the Division of Student Life can use in the future to contact her.

"Student Life is always very interested in any ideas students have," she added.

Students must bring their valid ECU ID to attend. Any students who are interested in bringing a guest can pick up one guest pass at the Central Ticket Office from 8:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. They can also pick up a guest pass at one of the many community services desks which are located in the residence halls, from 8 a.m. to midnight, except on Halloween when passes will only be available until 9 p.m.

LONDON from page 7

see. First of all, the London Chamber Orchestra performs without a conductor. All of their soloists are members of the orchestra – not big names brought in to draw a crowd. And they perform standing up. I don't know about you, but I'd pay money to see an orchestra that performs a two-hour concert standing up. Don't get me wrong, I wouldn't do it so I could see them fall down from sheer exhaustion, I'm not that much of a masochist.

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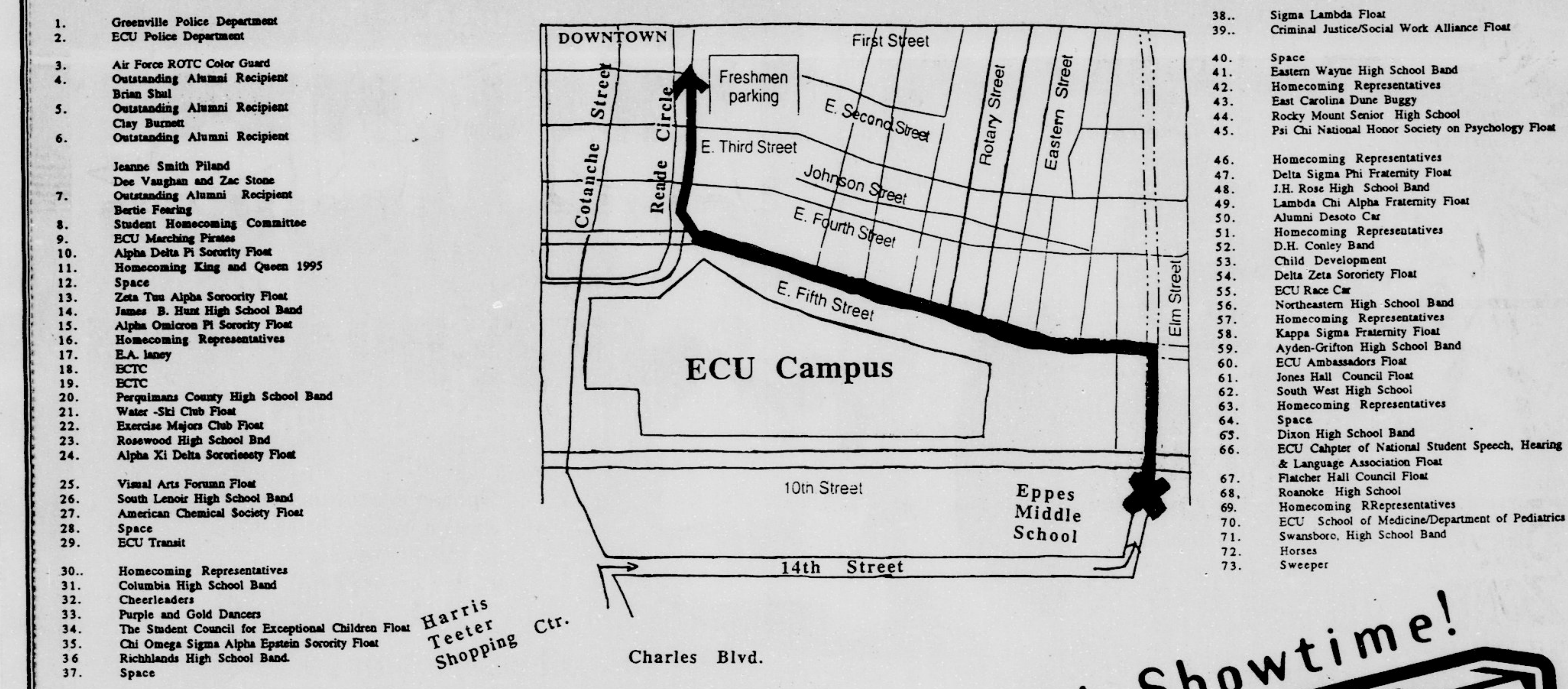
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SCREAM from page 7

you some serious money. I've gone to several comic book and toy shows within the last year, and I've seen dealers charging a fortune for things from my past. All the Star Wars toys I had as a mindless kid could feed a family of five for several months. Two hundred dollars for a three-inch plastic toy - are you crazy?

Well, the collectible market is bigger now than it has ever been, and many people are earning their livelihood off of it. As happy as I am to see people sharing interests with me, I see the collectible market as quickly becoming a greedy perversion of what should be a silly hobby, and an abuse on consumers who truly find pleasure in regaining some of their past.

For instance, the other week I was in Target checking out what new Star Wars merchandise had come out and I saw a man about my age also browsing. Hoping to strike up a conversation about our similar interest, I informed him about the Star Wars toys Wal-Mart had. He smiled and informed me that he already owned ten each of all the new items. He then further added that he bought out what the stores had and just threw the unopened packages into a closet where they will rise in value.

Value? Value to whom, I wondered? This gentleman didn't buy the

toys for any respectable reason other than to make a quick profit. Worse yet, people like him are making it harder for honest collectors who simply want to enjoy the products for what they are. If everyone is buying ten of each figure hoping the value will rise, then my chances of getting the new Han Solo are slim to none.

And that about today's children who want to get into the Star Wars craze? As silly as this may sound, the greed of the collectible market is, in a small way, cheating the new generation of their deserved childhood. Kids these days have to compete with bigger kids with bigger incomes to simply purchase a toy.

If you think I'm overreacting, just hop on down to Target. In an effort to combat this collectible craze, Target has posted signs indicating that they have changed their policies on when toys will be placed on the floor. Now, employees of Target can't get first dibs on the merchandise, the schedule for stocking merchandise has been altered so that people can't come in first thing in the morning and buy the store out, and, more importantly, sales on single items have been limited to individual customers.

If the collectible market has become such a joke that even a major corporation like Target has taken action against it, something must be amiss.

What it all comes down to is that the collectible market has become greedy. As a result, being a collector is more of a pain in the ass than it should be. I enjoy the hunt to find those treasures of my past and I don't mind paying a little extra for this privilege, but things have gotten a little too stupid for me lately.

I am a nostalgic collector of childhood things. As childish as this may seem, I have no insecurities about this fact. Still, I think it's about time for everyone within the collectible market to grow up and start behaving with a little more responsibility.

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SPORTS

Nine game slide ends with wins

Jon Lauterer
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Netters suffer two conference losses

Team loses to George Mason and American

Sean R. O'Brien
Staff Writer

ECU women's volleyball continued to fight for some respect, as the Lady Pirates lost in three straight games to George Mason in a match that was unbalanced from the beginning.

ECU was well aware that George Mason was top in the conference and 22 in the nation going into Friday night's ball game and that is exactly how they played. Mason came out strong in the first game and made their presence known early, establishing their front line on the net that greatly out-matched the Lady Pirates.

Virag Domokos, 6'3 middle blocker for George Mason, was a force to be reckoned with in the middle, as she dominated the middle of the net. The Pirates had their hands full and only managed to come away with three points that resulted mostly from Mason mistakes. ECU lost the first game 15-3.

The second game did not get any better for ECU, as George Mason set the Pirates on their heels early. Mason seemed to be able to cover the entire court with relative ease and they rolled to a 15-1 victory in the second game. Once again, Mason rallied behind the play of Domokos.

In the third game Mason came out ready to put the Pirates away and rolled off an eight straight points before the Pirates could even get a side out. The Pirates would try and make a late game rally behind the play of freshman Julia D'Alo. D'Alo was able to catch Mason by surprise several times with lobs over the net that caught Mason looking. Senior Kristen Woodruff would also try to get into the action with a hard shot to the middle of the court to make the score 14-4. George Mason would eventually come away with the third game win 15-4, after a smashing shot by Woodruff went sailing out of bounds.

"I complimented Kristen Woodruff on taking that last swing at the ball that went out of bounds," head

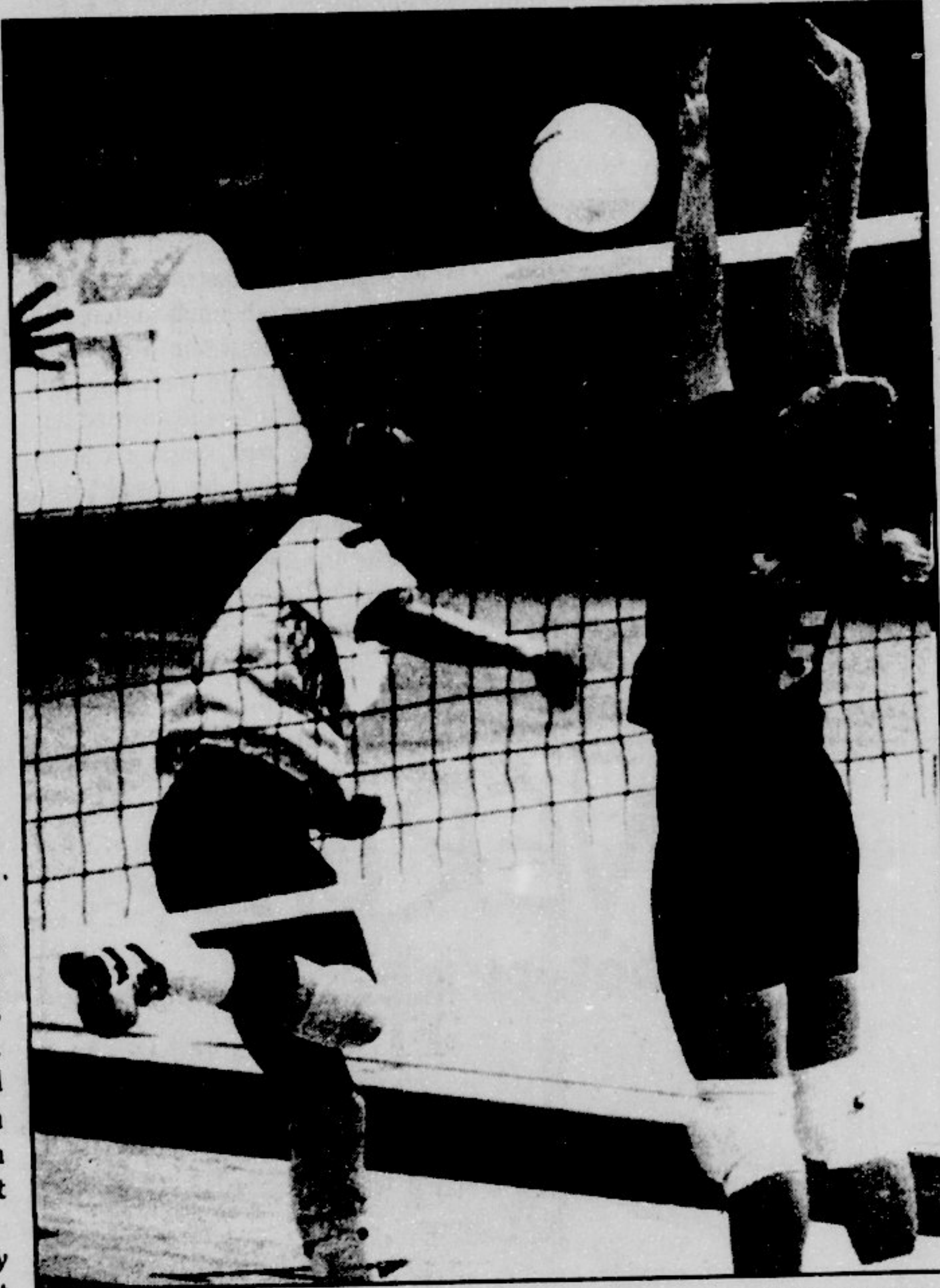


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Junior Kari Koenning spikes the ball while her opponent from George Mason tries to block. ECU lost in three straight.

coach Kim Walker said. "She really ripped that ball. If that ball would have been playable, we would have had another side-out; and who knows what would have happened?"

Susan Woodward was especially pleased with ECU's effort against such a strong team.

"We hung in there and played tough against them and nobody ever backed down," Woodward said. "We played hard until the very last point of the game; that makes me happy."

Walker was also pleased with the team's determination in this big of a game.

"For a team that is ranked 22 in the country, I thought we fought the entire match," Walker said. "It was 14-1 and we were still playing like it's 14-14; I keep telling them we're getting better and we are."

Walker also pointed out that while the team is struggling, they are showing signs of improvement and continue to show her positives.

"I'm happy that we are seeing a lot of positives; it's not showing up in the win-loss column but we're seeing other things on the court," Walker said. "Our players are not quitting and they're hanging in there. All of this adversity will pay off in the long run."

ECU continued to slump as they lost to American Saturday night in three straight games (10-15, 8-15, 11-15). D'Alo led the team in kills with eight against American. Freshman Shannon Kaess was second on the team with seven kills.

With these two conference losses, ECU now stands at 0-4 in the CAA and 6-20 overall.

The ECU men's soccer team had an exceptional pair of bouts with Charleston Southern and Virginia Military on Bunting Field last week.

The men's team has had to deal with a nine game losing streak this season, but things are beginning to look up for the young team. With two consecutive wins against two tough teams, the offense seems to be stepping up.

"We are beginning to play smart soccer," Head Coach Will Wiberg said. "We are getting some width to our attack, and gaining a lot of experience for this young team."

Under windy and threatening skies, ECU took on the Charleston Southern Buccaneers in a Wednesday afternoon skirmish.

The Buccaneers made it look like a long game laid ahead with a pounding offensive drive. The Pirates were slow to start off, but picked up their game quickly.

On the 11th minute of play, Wyatt Panos dished to Chris Padgett, who rocketed a goal past the boggled goalkeeper. This play inspired goals to come for the rest of the game.

Shortly after, Jay Davis was fouled and the Pirates were awarded a penalty kick. Padgett scored again on the kick.

ECU kept up the pressure by making a shot attempt on nearly every drive. The Buccaneers didn't break their defense and crowded the goal box often.

About 14 minutes into the half, Panos scored off a combination of passes from Padgett and Brian Taylor.

Charleston then scored their one and only goal from a penalty kick midway through the second half.

As the sun came out of the clouds, Charleston woke up. Realizing the hole they were in, the Buccaneers attacked the ball in desperation. The field began to look like a tumbling exercise when the two teams clashed at midfield.

ECU overcame the Charleston attack and Panos scored again in the 87th minute, after an assist from Josh Sklar.

The game concluded with a score of 4-1, Pirates.

"We played well today," Wiberg said. "We stressed keeping the ball wide on our attacks and today it paid off. We felt good with a 2-0 lead at halftime. We were able to play a lot of people which was nice."

The action continued with a successful venture against the Virginia Military Institute on Sunday.

A large audience assembled to watch the clash.

Revenge was in order after a loss to VMI last season, which was decided over a last minute play. The Pirates were still pumpled from Wednesday and it showed on the field.

VMI started off by attempting to score early on the Pirate goal defended by Kevin Smith. Their efforts resulted in frustration on VMI's part.



Freshman Andy Crawford converted a pass from Padgett to put ECU on the board in the 11th minute of play.

Five minutes ahead, Crawford scored again from another well played pass from Padgett, leaving the score at 2-0 in the Pirates' favor.

The more ECU pulled ahead, the more aggressive VMI became. Various yellow cards were issued against both teams throughout the game.

After the half, Padgett continued his game by finding the back of the net and upping the ECU advantage.

Pirate goalkeeper Kevin Smith held especially strong in the box.

Not allowing any goals throughout the first half, and into the second half, Jay Davis was substituted in for Smith and did an equally good job attacking the ball. Smith recorded four saves, Davis had one.

The game came to a close after an eventful second half bout, leaving the final score at 3-0 a Pirate victory.

"We showed a good effort today," Wiberg said. "We always seem to play well with a confident lead at the half, and that's what we had. Chris Padgett had a tremendous game today, and I



Photos by CHRIS GAYDOSH

(Top) Freshman Andy Crawford knocks the ball downfield against a VMI opponent on Sunday. (Bottom) Another freshman Bryan Lamartin sends his ball towards the VMI goal. ECU beat VMI 3-0, snapping a nine game losing streak.

was able to play 23 players, which I am happy about."

Padgett currently leads the team in scoring and assists with six goals and five recorded assists.

The Pirates will return to conference play in Fairfax, Va. when they face up against George Mason.

"This team is very tough," Wiberg said. "We are a huge underdog going into this game, but we are ready to give it our all."

The game will take place Oct. 30 at 1 p.m.

Women's ultimate flying high

Frisbee team preparing for upcoming games

Tracy Laubach
Staff Writer

The name of the team is "Helios," a word of Greek origin, meaning "sisters of the sun." The "Women's Ultimate Frisbee" team, which currently consists of 17 "sisters," has had an extremely successful fall season thus far.

The team placed third at the sectional competition, which was held at UNC-Wilmington on the weekend of Oct. 5-6. The top three finishers at sectionals qualified to proceed to the regional competition, which was held Oct. 19-20 in Philadelphia.

Making it to the regionals was quite an accomplishment for the girls. However, they were eliminated in the first round of competition.

So what is it exactly that these girls get out of playing ultimate frisbee? Mona Sarafa, president of the club, values the things that she has gained through her experiences as a player.

"The excitement of competing and having the opportunity to travel

is so rewarding," Sarafa said. "Playing frisbee is great exercise, and has helped me to make so many close friends."

The club is broken down into two seasons: the fall and the spring. In the fall, the team participates in mostly non-collegiate competitions, while in the spring, all of the battles are against teams from other universities.

"The fall season is a great time for learning," Sarafa said. "Sometimes we go head on against a more experienced or mature team, which helps us learn a lot about our strengths and weaknesses."

Perhaps the most unique thing about the sport is that it integrates many concepts used by other sports, including soccer, football and basketball. While the playing field has the same dimensions as a soccer field, the frisbee can be intercepted (as in football), and the players often complete a pivot turn (as in basketball) to get around their defenders.

At the start of the game, seven players rush the field and begin passing the frisbee among teammates until a point is scored in the end zone. Throwers have 10 seconds to pass the frisbee. If any player possesses the frisbee for more than 10 seconds, there is a turnover, which calls for a change of defense. If the frisbee is

dropped, sent out of bounds or intercepted, the other team gains possession.

ECU hosts a bi-annual ultimate frisbee tournament called "Ultimate XXVII." The tournament, which is held once in the fall and once in the spring, brings in teams from all over the east coast. Ten women's teams and 18 open (coed) teams will meet on the fields surrounding Dowdy-Ficklen stadium on Nov. 23-24. The competition is held so that teams can get an idea of where they stand in relation to their opponents.

The captain of the team, Hobbs Wolcott, had the opportunity to compete as part of the women's team at nationals in 1994. Her background and experience have helped her lead her teammates up the ladder of success this year.

The team is registered as a member of the Ultimate Players Association. Any club that wishes to compete in sectionals, regionals or nationals must be a member of this national organization.

As president of the organization, Sarafa is pleased with the overall success of the club. However, she feels that the players are at a disadvantage due to the destruction of their practice fields.

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The ECU men's tennis team wrapped up play at the University of South Carolina Fall Invitational this Sunday. Senior Jay Freeman advanced to the third round of the C-1 singles draw and sophomore Nils Alomar played his way into the semifinals of the A-1 singles consolation to lead the Pirates.

Freeman advanced to the end of the second round after receiving a first round bye. He defeated Robert Deneaar of East Tennessee State by a 6-1, 6-1 score and then lost to Richmond's Matt Hancock in the third round, 6-1, 6-0.

Alomar dropped his first round match on Friday and began play in the consolation bracket. He defeated Sasha Pare of UNC-Charlotte 6-3, 6-1, and then beat Davidson's Alex Okulski 6-1, 6-1 to earn a place in the quarterfinals. The Mallorca, Spain native then de-

feated Vinicius Carmo from UT-Chattanooga by a 6-1, 6-1 score before defaulting in the semifinals to USC's Messay Abebe.

The Pirates will play their next tournament of the fall season on November 8-10, when they will be in Chapel Hill for the Rolex Fall Invitational.

The ECU women's tennis team continued competition at the third annual James R. Nisbet Invitational at Campbell University this weekend.

In the fourth round, Anne-Birgitte Svae beat Jill Pertsch 6-2, 6-2. She then went on to lose to Siri Mittet 6-2, 6-2.

In other singles action, two ECU teammates played each other. Rachael Cohen and Mona Eek faces off after beating their early opponents. Cohen came out the victor, 6-2, 6-4. In the consolation draw, Gina MacDonald defeated two opponents to move into play for day

two of the tournament.


The Pirates doubles team of Svae/ Cohen advanced to the finals after having both their third and fourth round matches defaulted by the opponents.

In day two of the tournament, the Lady Pirates' team of Svae and Cohen lost in the final round of the tournament. They were defeated by Jelena Kriskapa and Uta Dittmer of Georgia State, 8-6.

In singles consolation, Eek lost to Carrie Minton from the College of Charleston, 6-4 and 6-1.

The ECU men's and women's swimming teams opened their 1996-97 seasons at American University with victories. The ECU men (1-0) won by a score of 148-94, while the Lady Pirates (1-0) defeated the AU women 138-88.

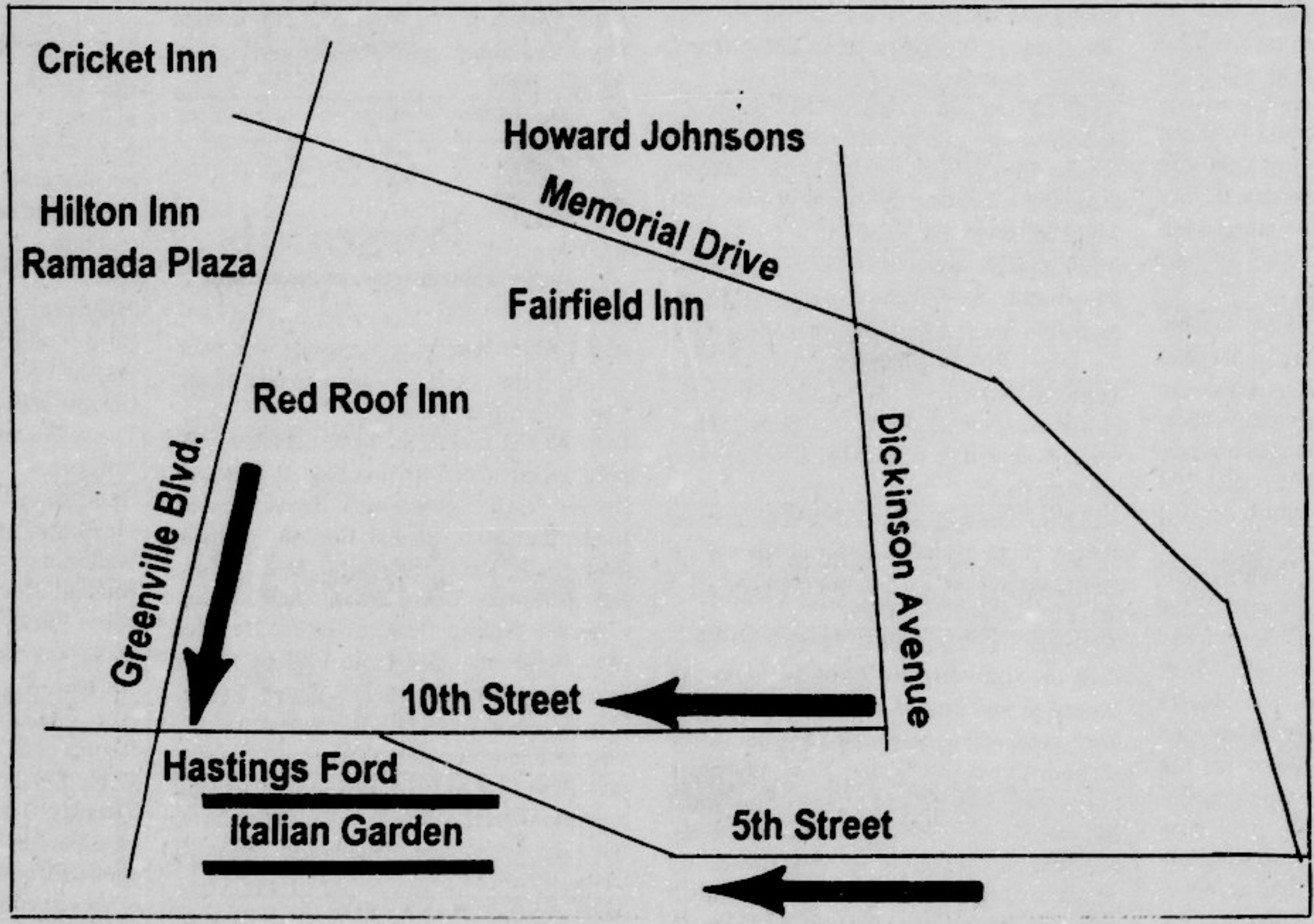
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The Lady Pirates dominated their opponents by claiming first place in all 13 events and taking the top three spots in eight different races. They were led by senior Melanie Mackwood and freshman Casey Sloan. Each won two events. Mackwood took first place in the 50 and 100 freestyle competitions. Sloan was victorious in the 500 and 1000 freestyle events. She was also on the winning 400 relay-freestyle team.

The men's team placed at least two Pirates in the top three in seven different events. Leading them was freshman Patrick McGonigal. He brought home first place in the 500 and 1000 freestyle. McGonigal also helped the Pirates win the 400 relay-freestyle event. Sophomore Paul Pinther won the only other event for the men, 200 backstroke.

"This was a great way to start off our season," head coach Rick Kobe said. "We completely dominated them."

The 1996 ECU women's soccer team downed Georgetown on Friday in Washington D.C., 1-0.

The Pirates and the Hoyas duelled for 76 scoreless minutes until junior midfielder Sheila Best drew a foul inside the Hoya goalie box. Junior midfielder Stacie Gause nailed the penalty kick for ECU as the visitors took a 1-0 lead.

ECU's defense took it from there and prevented any scoring opportunities while allowing 11 shots on goal in the second half. Freshman goal keeper Amy Horton

notched five saves for ECU while her teammates registered nine shots on goal. GU's Keisha McDonald recorded two saves as the Hoyas had 14 shots on goal.

"We played very well today, especially in the early part of the second half," ECU head coach Neil Roberts said. "Shelia [Best] did a great job getting into the box and drawing that foul. Stacie [Gause] did a nice job finishing off the penalty kick."

"So many things have gone against us this year, it is good to be on the plus side of this one," Roberts said. "This is a very good win for us going into the GMU match."

The second half of the Lady Pirates' road trip didn't go as well as they fell to the Lady Patriots. ECU fell to George Mason University 3-0 at GMU Stadium.

The 17th ranked Patriots rattled off their early first half scores as the team remained unbeaten in the CAA. Led by junior forward Taylor Eubank's one goal and one assist, the Patriots controlled most of the game. Mason's Jenn Gross and Jill Ford added the finished touches to the 3-0 defeat.

"It was an incredibly physical contest today," Roberts said. "I am pleased with the way our players hung there against a very good George Mason team."

The Pirates will meet American University in Washington D.C. Saturday, Nov. 2 at 2 p.m. The Pirates will wrap up their season with the Eagles as they look to prepare for the CAA Tournament on Nov. 6-10 in Wilmington.

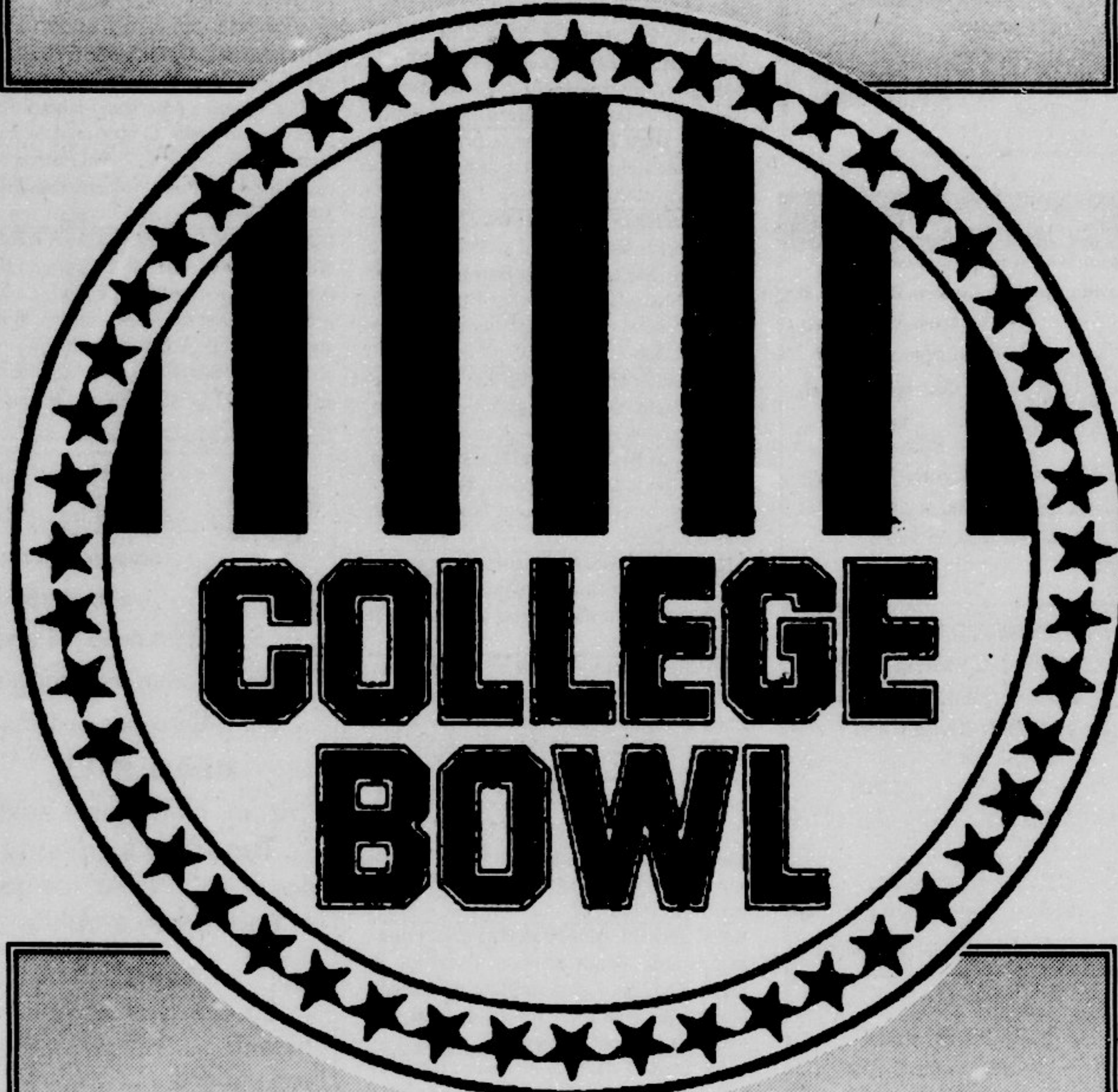
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"If I could change one thing about our club, I would definitely attempt to improve the conditions of the fields that we practice on," Sarafa said. "They have been destroyed by people walking and riding their bikes through them. There is actually a bike trail that runs directly through our field."

The girls practice three times a week, and although attendance is not mandatory, most of the members are completely dedicated to the program and show up at all of the scheduled practices.

After all, playing frisbee allows them to hang out with their best of friends, keep in good shape and most importantly, have fun.

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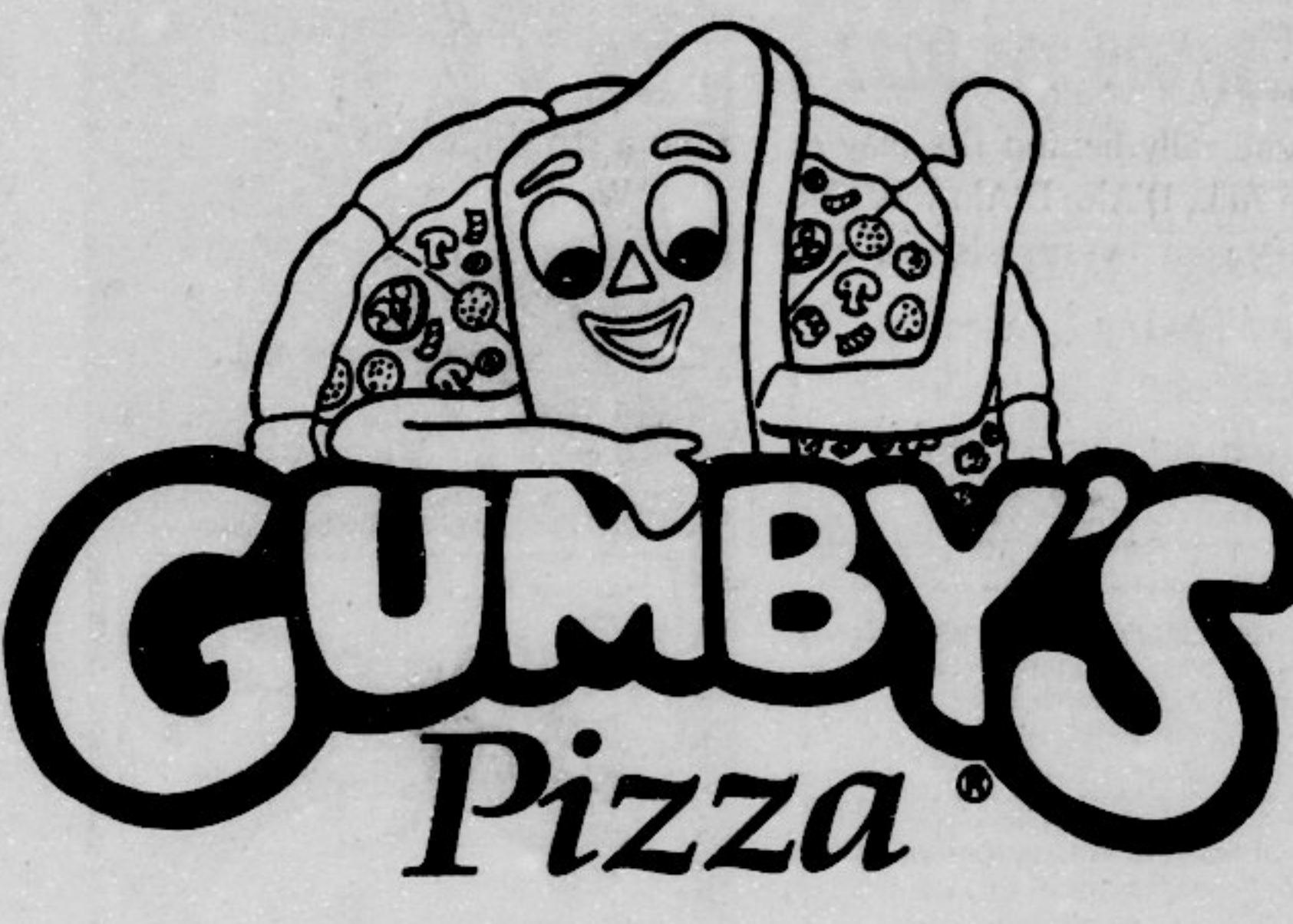


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