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Early birds get more aid

Financial aid advisor warns against procrastination

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It is the season for students to submit their financial aid forms for the summer of the 1997 and 1997-98 academic year. Students should mail their completed forms as early as possible to receive the maximum grant award for their university expenses.

The deadline for submitting the Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) is Apr. 15, 1997. The forms can be obtained at the ECU Office of Student Financial Aid and other sites in Greenville, such as Sheppard Memorial Library. Students who have received financial aid in the past should have received their FAFSA renewal form in the mail, although the financial aid office recommends to file a regular FAFSA if the renewal is late.

Director of Student Financial Aid, Rose Mary Steina, said she feels it is to the extreme disadvantage of a student to procrastinate in sending the FAFSA.

"You would not believe the amount of students that apply in July or August," Steina said. "We have to do a whole summer's work in a period of half an hour to an hour, and a lot then forced to tell them that they don't qualify for any financial aid."

"If a student applies early for financial aid, it gives our office an opportunity to review their case over the spring and summer, before the bill is due, and ensures a more attractive grant package."

Steina advises that those students who plan to procrastinate should talk to another student who went through the process in the past.

"Ask a student who has been through this and find out how awful it is to sit in the office and wait to be told you don't qualify," Steina said.

Other essential tips the financial aid office offers are that students should always write their social security numbers at the top of each page of all materials submitted to ECU. This ensures faster processing and makes the work easier for the financial aid workers. Students should use black or blue ink and print out information in capital letters, round off dollar amounts and respond promptly to requests for additional information. Also, all students should keep copies of documents such as IRS forms, since the office asks approximately 50 percent of students to submit these articles.

Common errors students make when filling out forms are reporting income tax withheld rather than actual tax liability, using the wrong Social Security numbers and failing to report unearned income and benefits, such as living allowances for military personnel. Another common error is failure to report parents or stepparents' information, since their income has a direct effect upon the student.

For further information, call the Office of Student Financial Aid at 328-6610. Appointments are available on a walk-in basis. Office hours are from 10:00 am to 5:00 p.m.

Doors open for graduating seniors

Reynolds Foundation offers fellowships, internships

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Graduating seniors may be interested in an annual fellowship opportunity as well as several summer intern positions provided by a large foundation.

The Z. Smith Reynolds Foundation offers fellowships and internships to currently enrolled students.

Foundation fellows work for a year as a junior program officer, alongside three full-time Foundation employees. They assist in evaluating grant proposals, go on on-site visits, and are given the chance to work on projects of particular interest to them.

Minnie Broadhurst is the current Foundation fellow, and says that there are no specific requirements for the fellows, other than the citizenship requirement.

"The only requirement is that the person be a North Carolinian, and/or be a recent graduate of a North Carolina college or university," Broadhurst said.

The purpose of the citizenship requirement is that the Foundation wants its fellows to have a personal interest in the welfare of North Carolina and its people.

"The people who are fellows usually have been involved in their communities and trying to improve North Carolina. There is a focus outside themselves, and trying to better the area we live in, because that's what we're about," Broadhurst said.

The Foundation was established in 1936 in memory of R.J. Reynolds's youngest child, and since then has given more than \$230 million in

grants all over North Carolina. The Foundation focuses on various areas of major concern: being pro-college, education, minority issues, women's issues, community economic development and the environment.

The Foundation has two grant cycles, from February to May and August to November, and during these times the primary responsibility of the fellow is helping with the grant proposals. But at other times, the fellow has more freedom to choose their projects. Preferably, the fellow's interests should coincide with one of the Foundation's current focus areas.

"During the off-months, the fellowship is really intriguing, because it can be whatever the fellow wants it to be," Broadhurst said.

The summer internship, of which there are two to three positions available, is similar to the fellowship with the difference being that the interns are usually currently enrolled students, and there is some flexibility in when the internship is carried out.

"They can do some of the same things like the fellow as far as getting involved in projects that interest them," Broadhurst said.

Broadhurst said that her own experience as a Foundation fellow has widened her perspective on current affairs in North Carolina, and thinks it will help her in her prospective career as a teacher after she finishes her fellowship.

"Doing this fellowship gives me an amazing sense of an overall view of what's happening in North Carolina, and how to improve the state. I have a greater sense of the resources available to North Carolinians," Broadhurst said.

The fellowship begins in August and is a paid position with benefits. The deadline is March 1 every year, but as that falls on a Saturday this year, Broadhurst says the applications must be postmarked by March 3. Anyone who wants more information on the fellowship or internship should contact Minnie Broadhurst at 1-800-443-8319, or at 101 Reynolds Village, Winston-Salem, NC, 27106-5199.

Breast cancer: Age not a factor

College-age women also at risk

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Editor's note: This is the first in a two-part series. Next Tuesday's edition of TEC will include a feature on an ECU professor living with breast cancer.

Although breast cancer is associated mainly with older people, it is important for students to learn about it and its diagnosis now. Although increasing age is a primary risk factor, incidents can occur to college students.

"Although some women do not think it is important at this age to do breast examinations, we do know that it exists at this age," said Donna Walsh, director of the office of Health Promotion and Well-Being.

Being female is the greatest risk factor, but breast cancer is not restricted to females. Males account for one percent of the diagnoses. Its cause is unknown, but it is the most common form of cancer in American women. As many as 2 million women will be diagnosed with breast cancer during this decade and more than 500,000 people will die from it in North America alone.

It is the leading cause of death for women ages 40-55 and the leading cause of death from cancer among African American women.

Breast cancer is increasing. It is estimated that one out of eight women will develop this cancer in her lifetime. In 1960, the risk was one in 14 of being diagnosed.

If a woman has never had children, or if she had her first child after the age of 30, risk also increases.

If a woman's mother or sister had breast cancer prior to menopause, the risk of the woman developing the cancer is six times greater. The risk is 10 times greater if the mother or sister had cancer in both breasts.

A family history of cancer of the uterus, cervix or colon also increases the risk of breast cancer slightly. Obesity triples the risk of developing it.

There are not the only factors causing breast cancer. Most women who develop breast cancer have no identifiable risk factors. More than 70 percent of all women diagnosed with breast cancer do not even have a family history of the disease.

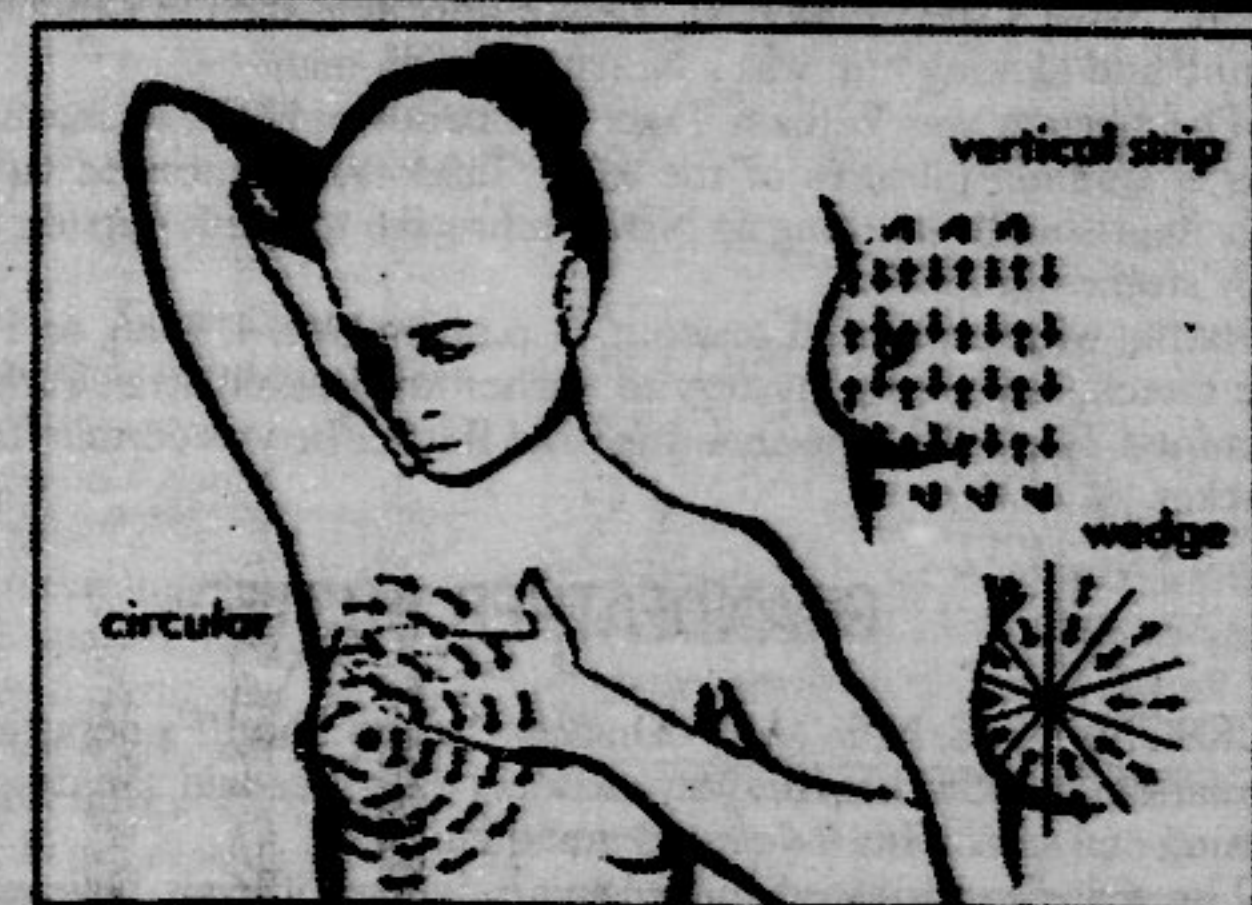
Early detection is important. Breast self-examination accounts for 75 percent of diagnoses of all breast growths. Breast cancer can often be treated effectively with surgery that does not call for removal of the breast.

The best thing to do is to become aware of how to do a self-exam and get into the habit of checking your breasts," Walsh said. "The most powerful thing is to learn about this early. If you know now what your breasts are like, then you will be more likely to know if any change occurs later in life."

Although most breast irregularities are discovered by self-examination, most women do not know how to correctly perform them and few do them often enough.

Do not panic if a lump is detected. It is best to contact a doctor and

HOW TO PERFORM A BREAST SELF-EXAMINATION



The Accepted Patterns for Breast Exam

Use the same pattern to feel every part of the breast tissue. Choose the method easiest for you. The diagrams above show the three patterns preferred by women and their doctors: the circular, the vertical strip, and the wedge.

1. In the shower or in front of a mirror, examine your breasts.
2. With your arms raised over your head, observe them individually from different angles. Look for any changes in the contour, skin, nipple or dimpling of the skin.
3. Lie down and place a pillow or folded towel under your shoulder.
4. With fingers flat, gently rub in circular motions around each breast. Begin at the outermost part of the breast and continue to the nipple. Notice how the structure of your breast feels.
5. Squeeze the nipple gently using the index finger and thumb. Notice if any fluid is discharged.
6. Report any abnormalities to your doctor immediately.

schedule an appointment.

"It is not suggested to have a mammogram at this age. Women in their thirties should be more concerned with them," Walsh said.

Students with any questions about how to perform a self-breast exam or a suspicious lump may call the Student Health Center at 328-6641.

Campus offers

ECU Welcomes Vienna Boys Choir

The Vienna Boys Choir will perform at ECU Sunday, Feb. 2, at 2 p.m. in Wright Auditorium as an added attraction to the 1996-97 S. Rudolph Alexander Performing Arts Series.

Since their first visit to the U.S. in 1932, the Choir has become the most popular ever to tour North America. They previously performed in Greenville during ECU's 1969-70 and 1984-85 Performing Arts Series.

Each season a new choir of boys carries on the rich traditions of Vienna's musical life, tracing its roots to such figures as Mozart, Haydn and Schubert. Their repertoire also features short operas (in costume), sacred works and a broad range of secular and folk music.

Tickets: \$15 general public, \$12 faculty and staff, \$7 students and youth



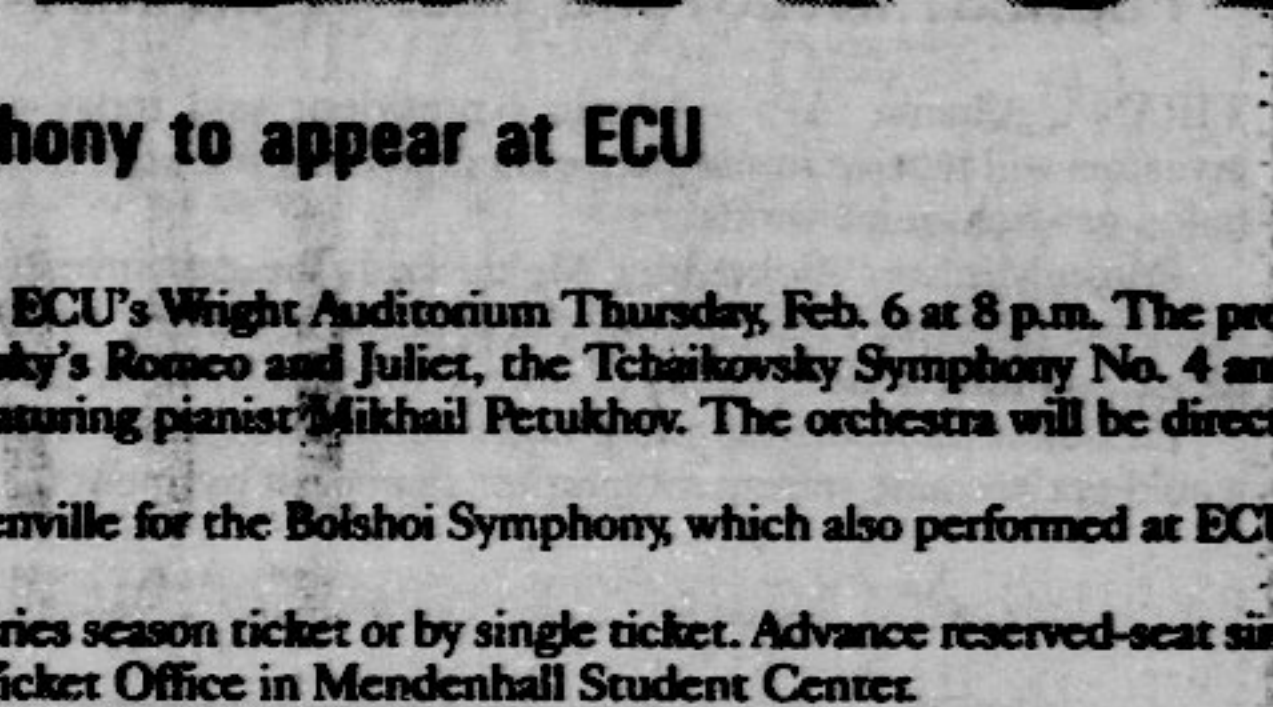
Bolshoi Symphony to appear at ECU

The Bolshoi Symphony Orchestra will perform in ECU's Wright Auditorium Thursday, Feb. 6 at 8 p.m. The program will consist of the Overture from Tchaikovsky's Romeo and Juliet, the Tchaikovsky Symphony No. 4 and Rachmaninoff's Concerto No. 2 in G Minor, featuring pianist Mikhail Petukhov. The orchestra will be directed by Peter Fernandez (pictured).

The Feb. 6 concert is a return appearance in Greenville for the Bolshoi Symphony, which also performed at ECU for the 1993-94 season, during its first U.S. tour.

Admission to the concert is by Performing Arts Series season ticket or by single ticket. Advance reserved-seat single tickets are now on sale at the ECU Central Ticket Office in Mendenhall Student Center.

Tickets (single): \$30 general public, \$25 faculty and staff, \$15 students and youth and \$30 at the door



Family Fare Series presents "Black Journey"

Black Journey, a musical drama recalling the voyage of African-American people from the villages of Africa to modern-day America, will be presented at ECU Saturday, Feb. 8, as a part of the campus Family Fare Series.

To tell the story of African-Americans, the show uses black oral tradition and music, beginning with African chants, through gospel, jazz, blues, ragtime and swing, to the rock and rap music of today; the audience is introduced to the rhythms of Africa that became the folk songs of black people in America.

This production, like all Family Fare presentations, is suitable for both children and adults, and runs about one hour.

Tickets: \$8 general public, \$7 faculty and staff, \$5 students and youth



Hunt proposes \$251 million in budget adjustments

Proposal may raise educators' salaries

RALEIGH (AP) - Gov. Jim Hunt is proposing \$251 million in adjustments to this year's budget to begin funding his four-year program of expanding Smart Start and raising teacher salaries to the national average.

"I'm going to ask for a four-year commitment on these things," Hunt said Tuesday at a meeting of the Advisory Budget Committee, where he presented an outline but few details of his budget plans.

"I'm not asking for something that will last forever, just four years," Hunt said.

Legislators, who are elected every two

years, make budget adjustments one year at a time.

Hunt also indicated to Republicans on the Advisory Budget Committee that he is willing to consider merit pay for teachers in his plan to raise the average salary.

"We haven't finished things, of course, in terms of the budget," Hunt told the panel of legislative budget leaders. He said the proposals unveiled Tuesday were a "broad outline" of his full two-year budget plan, which will not be released for at least a week.

Hunt's proposals include using increased child support enforcement payments and savings from his welfare reform program to pay for Smart Start and child care; reducing the growth of Medicaid from its current rate of 11 percent a year to 8 percent a year over the next four years; and eliminating situations where a

supervisor in state government oversees only one or two employees.

Marvin Dorman, Hunt's budget officer, said reshuffling state agencies would lead to the elimination of positions, but not necessarily employees.

"We do not believe that there will be any employees laid off in the first year," Dorman said. "This is not intended to be a workforce reduction."

Rep. George Holmes, R-Yadkin, the co-chairman of the House budget committee, said cutting the growth of Medicaid is often discussed as a way to save money.

"That's going to be tough," Holmes said. "I hope we're not playing games with the numbers here."

In addition to \$251 million in budget adjustments this year, Hunt proposes \$150

million in unspecified reductions over the next three years to pay for his plans. Legislators last year cut \$175 million from the budget.

Dorman said his four-year projections showing how to pay for the governor's programs do not include a downturn in the economy. The economy is already in one of the longest growth cycles since World War II.

"If we have a recession, it will require adjustments throughout," Dorman said. But he said there was no agreement among economists that a downturn is imminent.

Republicans have said they want the biggest raises paid to the best teachers, rather than giving across-the-board raises to get them all to the national average.

Hunt said the average teacher salary could

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DAN RATHER SAYS MUGGER FROM NORTH CAROLINA

NEW YORK (AP) - Dan Rather says the mugger who more than 10 years ago yelled, "What's the frequency?" before knocking the CBS anchorman to the ground and kicking him was a North Carolina man.

The mugger was William Tiger of Charlotte, N.C., Rather said Tuesday after examining pictures of the man. Tiger was sentenced last year to 25 years in prison for shooting an NBC technician to death outside the "Today" show studios in 1974.

Rather was confronted at about 11 p.m. on Oct. 4, 1986, on Park Avenue. The attack had been a mystery to Rather until psychiatrist Park Dietz, who examined Tiger after the shooting, told Rather he was certain Tiger was the attacker.

GRANDFATHER BUSTED

JACKSONVILLE, N.C. (AP) - Onslow County Sheriff's deputies arrested a 61-year-old grandfather Tuesday after his daughter said she caught him performing oral sex on his 9-year-old granddaughter.

The man was arrested in his home, where officials believe the crimes occurred over a two-month period.

His granddaughter stayed with him after school. Her 6-year-old brother was playing outside the home when the crimes allegedly occurred, Detective Sgt. Pam Sanders said.

BABIES THROWN OUT THE WINDOW

TACOMA, Wash. (AP) - Two toddlers were hurled out a third-floor apartment window as police responded to a domestic dispute. The infants landed on the hood of a car, but were expected to survive, police said Tuesday.

The children's father, the subject of several domestic violence complaints, has been arrested for investigation of two counts of assault, spokeswoman Corina Hopkins said.

The 2-year-old girl was in critical condition with head and internal injuries; her 1-year-old brother was in serious condition with bruises and minor internal injuries, said hospital spokesman Todd Kelly said.

Apartment manager Pat Huxson said another tenant saw it happen.

GM WORKERS REACHED A TENTATIVE PACT

MORAINE, Ohio (AP) - Workers at General Motors Corp.'s truck assembly plant here reached a tentative pact to end a three-day strike over disputes that included overtime and sick days.

The International Union of Electronic Workers said Tuesday that GM agreed to settle all grievances.

The plant makes the Oldsmobile Bravada, Chevrolet Blazer and GMC Jimmy. The 4,300 workers were expected to return starting with the first shift today, said Gerry Holmes, a spokesman at GM's North American headquarters in Warren, Mich.

TOWER FIRE

BOMBAY, India (AP) - Fire spread through the top stories of a 25-story office tower today, killing three people and trapping others for about an hour high above the beaches of the Arabian Sea.

Firefighters' ladders reached to only the 14th floor, so rescuers had to bring people down the stairs to that level. About 21 people were evacuated through 14th-floor windows to safety.

The fire may have started in plywood and plastic being used for construction by an American consultant company on the 21st floor, said Deputy Chief Fire Officer M.G. Sarkod.

POOREST INVESTORS RECEIVE IMMEDIATE CASH

TIRANA, Albania (AP) - Albania's president said today only the poorest investors will receive immediate cash payments from the frozen assets of two failed get-rich-quick funds.

Prime Minister Aleksander Mekai said Tuesday investors would begin receiving payments Feb. 5 from the pyramid schemes, which were declared illegal and frozen after weeks of unrest sparked by their failure to pay out.

President Sali Berisha told a news conference today that most investors would get account statements, rather than cash payments.

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Student sues USF for first amendment violation

Senior Amy Andre is suing the University of South Florida after University Police at New College in Sarasota seized a videotape depicting nudity and sexual situations at a campus party.

Andre, 22, filed a federal lawsuit in conjunction with the American Civil Liberties Union Wednesday against the UP and several USF officials including President Betty Castor for confiscating her video "Annie Sprinkle's Sluts and Goddesses Video Workshop."

The videotape, featuring naked women demonstrating self-examinations and sexual techniques, was projected onto an outside wall of a dorm Oct. 4 in Palm Court, an area used for campus events. The video was shown at a party celebrating the second edition of the student publication "The Pillowbook," where Andre is the managing editor. According to Andre's lawyer, George K. Rahdert, UP officer Paul Shideler decided the tape was pornographic and stopped it. Andre was unavailable for comment. Noreen Segrest, general counsel for USF, said the UP stopped the tape and took it because Andre was illegally exhibiting the video in a public place.

"The event was attended not only by university students, but community members and high school students," Segrest said. "It was inappropriate for (Amy) to show the video."

Andrew Kayton, legal director for the ACLU, said Andre's constitutional rights were violated. "This is a basic case of Amy's First

across campuses

November in the SGA Senate after representative expressed concern over not being able to gather constituent input on a controversial technology fee.

Amendment rights being violated," Kayton said. "It's kind of ironic that an environment of higher learning would do something this silly."

Andre's attorney, George K. Rahdert, said the tape is not obscene and noted the same movie was shown in its entirety in Lesbianism, a course offered at New College.

New SGA home page at UT gives students vocal outlet

Students have a new outlet to voice their concerns on campus matters.

The SGA at the University of Tennessee, Knoxville has opened a new link on the UT home page which will provide a discussion forum for students across campus.

The link features issues the SGA is currently dealing with and includes space for student responses to such matters.

The interactive website allows students to respond to any of the included information, as well as any other concerns they may have.

"You can post something to the site an people can reply to your post," explained SGA President Jason Little. "For example, if you read the safety report and have other things to add to the list (of safety problems), we'll look at it and reply."

The site is the result of a bill passed last

NC State student to bike across America

This summer, Andy Lorenc, a junior in the N.C. State chemical engineering program, will be pushing his physical limitations on a cross country bicycle tour to benefit disabled people.

Lorenc, a member of Pi Kappa Phi Fraternity, will join 59 of his fraternity brothers in June to travel on a 3500 mile "Journey of Hope" for PUSH America.

The organization aims to improve the lives of people with disabilities through service, volunteerism, education and awareness.

"PUSH America is our fraternity's national philanthropy organization," Lorenc explained. "This is the big fund-raiser and publicity deal for the year."

The 1996 "Journey of Hope" raised nearly \$300,000 for the charity.

Two teams of 30 men each will cycle from San Francisco to Washington, D. C., taking either a southern or a northern route. The teams will pass through a total of 22 states, traveling an average of 75 miles per day for 63 days.

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New concerns rise about 1950's monkey virus

BETHESDA, Md. (AP) - Scientists are dusting off a 40-year-old medical mystery: Does a monkey virus that contaminated a polio vaccine millions of Americans took during the 1950s increase the risk of certain rare cancers?

Government data suggest such fears are unwarranted, because the types of cancer involved do not appear to be increasing among people old enough to have gotten the tainted vaccine. And the polio vaccine sold today is tested to ensure it is free of this monkey virus, called SV40.

But scientists recently found genetic pieces of the SV40 lurking inside tumors removed from cancer victims, and injecting the virus into laboratory animals gives them cancer.

That's far from proof that SV40 actually harmed a person. But international scientists who spent two days furiously debating the issue here contend this virus might predispose some people - perhaps those with damaged immune systems - to certain cancers of the brain, bone and lung.

And some question whether continuing to use monkey tissue to make vaccines might allow viruses that people don't yet know exist to sneak in.

"Make it in anything but animals," said Barbara Loe Fisher of the National Vaccine Information Center, which criticizes vaccine safety.

"We have the technology to make vaccines in human cell lines that are clean," said Dr. Michele Carbone of Loyola University Medical Center, one of the first to discover SV40 inside human tumors.

Carbone doesn't want Americans to fear vaccines; he recently had his own child immunized against polio.

But government officials worry that even debating the issue will frighten some parents. "We do a grave disservice to the public if we were now to question the safety of the current polio vaccines on the basis of SV40," warned Dr. Arthur Levine of the National Institutes of Health.

Making polio vaccines using human cells - the kind sold in Canada but

not here - isn't risk free either, Levine added, because they must be tested for human infections.

Mass vaccination with the then-new polio vaccine began in 1955. But in 1960, doctors discovered SV40 in monkeys and in the vaccine. When they injected this virus into hamsters, it caused cancer, so the Food and Drug Administration ordered companies to manufacture virus-free versions.

But by the time they reached the market in 1963, as many as 98 million people may have been exposed to SV40.

Whether that early contamination posed any harm was debated during the 1960s and 1970s, but then faded away until 1992 - when Carbone found SV40's genetic fingerprint inside human cancer.

Carbone tested preserved samples of rare child brain tumors called ependymomas, bone tumors and a particularly deadly lung cancer called mesothelioma that mostly strikes people exposed to asbestos.

He found pieces of SV40's genetic material inside 60 percent of the brain and lung cancers he tested, and a third of the bone cancers he tested.

Other scientists got mixed results. British researchers, for example, spotted SV40 signs in 44 percent of the mesotheliomas they tested, and a Baylor University researcher even culled the actual virus from a tumor. Some of the tumors were from people exposed to the tainted vaccine, but not all - and some researchers found SV40 in noncancerous tissue, suggesting the virus either had spread or was in humans before tainted vaccine.

But other scientists couldn't find the virus in human tissue at all, and questioned whether laboratory contamination was fooling their colleagues.

Carbone and other researchers now have preliminary evidence that SV40 may do damage by tying up proteins vital to keeping cells from turning cancerous.

Also, SV40 appears related to two human viruses that harmlessly infect nearly all Americans, but which cause rare cancers in people with severely damaged immune systems, such as AIDS patients.

That suggests SV40 could similarly be a risk only to immune-suppressed patients.

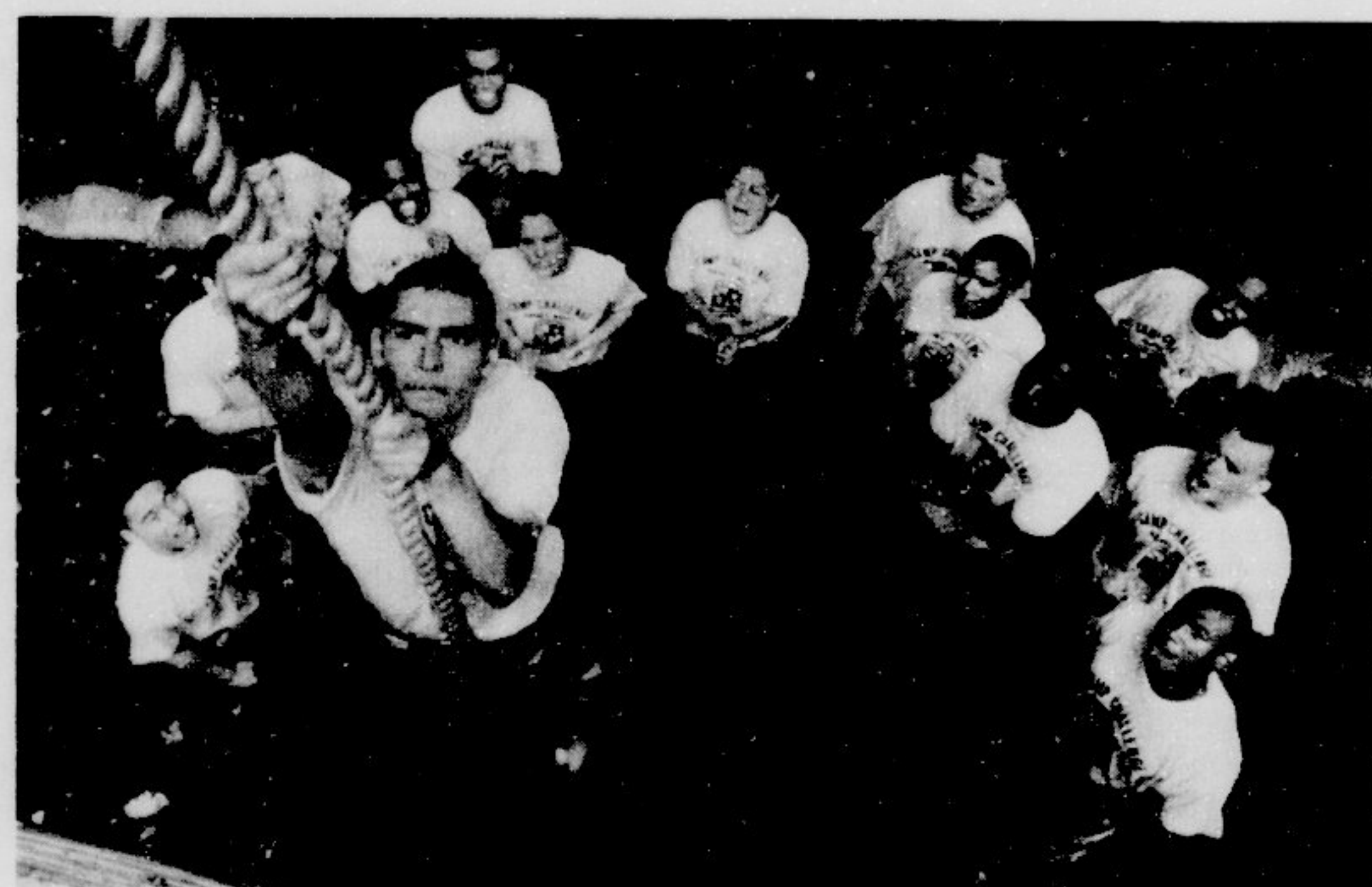
But NIH's Dr. Howard Strickler studied cancer rates and found no evidence of a jump among people old enough to have gotten the tainted vaccine.

Neither did researchers in Sweden, who compared 700,000 people who got tainted U.S. vaccine against the general population that received virus-free vaccine.

Those studies wouldn't detect small rises in these very rare tumors, Strickler acknowledged.

But while he called the data "intriguing," Strickler joined Food and Drug Administration officials Tuesday to emphasize that it does not "point us in a clear direction of whether this virus is a cause of cancer."

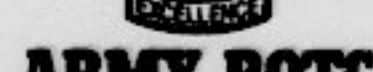
The government called for more research, although it wouldn't commit to federal funding, and Strickler is preparing archives of tumor tissue for scientists to test.



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America Online settles with customers

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WASHINGTON (AP)—The nation's largest online service, America Online Inc., has agreed to reimburse customers for their inability to log on in a settlement with 37 states, a source familiar with the agreement said today.

Terms and details of the settlement were not immediately disclosed. The source, speaking on condition of anonymity, said the size of any credit would be determined by how much time a customer recently has been online.

America Online has been

swamped with complaints, accused of signing up hundreds of thousands of new users without the means to accommodate the heavy usage.

The new customers overwhelmed America Online's computer network, taking advantage of a new plan that gave them unlimited online time for \$19.95 a month. At the same time, AOL undertook a massive advertising campaign to push its service.

America Online stock shot up \$1.62 1/2 to \$36.87 1/2 on the New York Stock Exchange in response to the settlement announcement. Analysts said the settlement should help stop an embarrassing barrage of negative publicity at a time when AOL's online service is threatened by easier and easier access to the Internet.

AOL also said it would add a dis-

claimer to its ads, starting in February, that says customers are having trouble logging on. No ads will be run without the disclaimer.

The company also agreed to make it easier for people to cancel its service, including more lines for customers to fax in their cancellations.

Because of the large number of states involved in the settlement, an agreement would affect AOL's 8 million customers nationwide. Several states had threatened to sue America Online unless it promised refunds and stopped promoting a plan it can't reliably deliver. The attorneys general in the states involved scheduled a press conference for this afternoon to announce the settlement. An America Online spokeswoman had no immediate comment.

The heavy use often results in

annoying busy signals for AOL subscribers attempting to log on during peak periods. The company has also been plagued with a recent rash of technical glitches, such as e-mail "brownouts," as it attempts to upgrade its network to accommodate new users.

America Online, based in Dulles, Va., has said it is selectively giving refunds to people who complain about their difficulty getting online. But until now, it had declined to give blanket refunds.

America Online is spending \$350 million between now and June to upgrade its network, including buying new modems, building a new data center to house computer equipment and adding more customer support representatives. The problems in getting online are expected to decrease as the new

Execs consider buyout of furniture division slated to close

GREENSBORO (AP) - Singer Co. wants to get out of the furniture business, a move that will mean the closing of the company's 340-employee manufacturing plant in Chocowinity.

But Singer Furniture executives are looking at whether to buy the division and spin it off into an independent company - likely preserving jobs at the Chocowinity plant and other plants in Lenoir already slated for closure.

Singer Furniture officials are expected to meet this week and discuss a possible management buyout, the News & Record of Greensboro reported Tuesday.

The Chocowinity and Lenoir furniture operations produce bedroom and dining room furniture and employ more than 1,000 workers. Another 20 employees work at division headquarters in High Point and 40 workers at administrative offices in Roanoke, Va.

"If a management buyout is

successful, then the plants would stay open, and the employment would be protected," said Craig Shoemaker, Singer Furniture's president and a member of the buyout team. "It's a little early to say what numbers it would protect from a job standpoint."

New York-based Singer announced late last week it would stop making furniture after reporting a fourth-quarter loss of \$20 million. Singer - known for its sewing machines - blamed \$16.5 million of that loss on the furniture division.

Singer announced in December that it would close the Lenoir operation by late March, affecting about

720 workers. Already 100 positions have been cut, said William Foster, a Singer vice president.

Lenoir manufacturing operations were to be consolidated with the Chocowinity facility. Roster said no closing date for the Chocowinity closing has been announced.

Shoemaker said Singer Co.'s reception toward the buyout has been neutral so far.

"We hope to have some discussions with them in the next few days and see if we can get real serious about it," Shoemaker said.

As recently as 1994, the Singer Furniture division was the nation's

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be raised to the national average "by a variety of ways," including putting more money into the ABC education plan that rewards high-performing schools, paying teachers for mentoring and other duties.

Raising teacher salaries to the national average "doesn't mean everybody ought to be at the national average," Hunt said. "If they do exceptionally well, they should be above the average. Some will be below."

Hunt said his full budget will be available after the State of the State address to the Legislature. That speech usually is given in the Legislature's first few days, but has not yet been scheduled.

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OURview

We at *TEC* are concerned about you, our fellow students at ECU. Life can be tough for the average college student. Just living day-to-day is often difficult, stressful and extremely expensive.

Who out there doesn't know the taste of Ramen noodles? Who hasn't had a check bounce because of insufficient funds? Who hasn't paid some late fees to the library, the video store, the electric company, the phone company, the credit card company, etc.? If you haven't yet, you're either really lucky or really responsible. However, more likely than not, most of you have had to pay fees that were either unexpected or unnecessary.

It's easy to fall into the trap of an inflated and uncontrollable budget when you're in college. Almost as soon as students walk on campus for the first time, they are bombarded by credit card companies willing to give anyone and everyone \$2,000 dollars or more, no questions asked. Combine that with the thousands offered by Financial Aid, and before the first day of classes have even begun the average student can be several thousand dollars (possibly tens of thousands) in debt.

Managing this load seems easy at first, but along come living expenses like food, clothing, power, phone, gas, and so on. Add to that non-essentials like music, videos, movies and cable and the debt becomes insurmountable. And parents can't always help by taking this additional debt on, nor should they since we are all supposed to be adults.

Many students do not recognize the dangers of this kind of debt until it is too late. It's easy to see why. When you're buying a new stereo system, computer, TV, VCR or game system with that newly acquired credit, you're not in the frame of mind to be thinking about all of the other expenses that come with that initial purchase. You'll need CDs to play on the stereo, software for the computer, cable for the TV, videos for the VCR - you can see where this is going. And all of these little things add up.

Of course, we're easy prey. That's what most corporations feel, anyway. Why do you think they give our generation so much consumer attention? Because we buy, buy, buy.

And we're trendy, too. We dig '70s clothes, roots rock and fat-free foods. Consequently, there are now more '70s clothes manufacturers, more roots rock bands and more fat-free foods to be had. Of course, we have to pay a little more for these things, but we do want them, we do need them, don't we? We can't seem to stop and that pleases the powers that be to no end. They will happily keep us in debt until the end of time.

Where is all of this debt taking us? It seems that if this trend continues, we will turn into a generation that cannot afford anything - no homes, no businesses, no property. We will be so in debt that no options for the future will be available to us. This buying frenzy may be good for the economy now, but it can't be good for the economy to come.

If we as a generation get burned by outrageous consumerism now, will we continue that consumerism later? Or will we be so angry and fed up with where we are financially, that we will not be buyers any longer?

If so, we could be heading for a bleak future. If we stop buying in such huge quantities and at such inflated prices, then the consumer market may fail. If the consumer market fails, then the economy will fail as well. And we will be too late to stop it, then.

All of this can change, however. Solutions are there, but they're not easy. First, we have to regulate our spending. We have to learn to be more responsible. We have to say no to those who would prey on our hard-earned dollars.

Perhaps we could censor companies from soliciting on campus. Maybe we could convince those who charge us fees to be a little more lenient towards the beginning spender. Financial instruction could be required for the student community.

But these suggestions are only possibilities, really it comes down to the individual. You can only be responsible for yourself. We at *TEC* encourage you, if you have not already, to give some serious thought to your financial state before it gets out of your control. Good luck.



OPINION

Nicole McMullen

Seniors deserve seniority

Well, you're finally a senior at ECU. You plan on graduating in May, huh? You've sat through 82,000 lectures from a professor you can hardly understand, 150 hours standing in line to register for those classes that you must have, waited in a line that stretched all the way down 10th Street so you can get a parking sticker for \$96. Then you waited in another line for hours on end to find a place to park in that glorious parking lot. What about all that time you've enjoyed spending in the book store searching for the books you need, only to find out they're sold out? How about the two million freshmen who have given your favorite outfits those wonderful beer stains? After four, five, maybe even six long years of drudgery, you've finally achieved this wonderful senior status. But, what do you have to show for it? Well, you do have your Official Purple Pirate Pass that gets you all your free goodies like a deck of cards, a beach towel and even a class mug.

Don't you? You've also had the pleasure of watching that beautiful recreational center being built from the first day they started to dig. And yes, you can use the rec center that you helped pay for, only for a small fee.

And you do get to pay a \$25 application fee to apply for graduation. Remember, it's the same amount that you paid when you applied to attend college here. You finally received the recognition you deserve for being a senior. Right?

Wrong. For the past four years,

you've been busting your tail to become a senior. You have stood in all of those lines. You've attended all those boring classes that you thought for sure you didn't need. You have put in endless hours of studying. You've given up numerous amounts of vacation proposals. Now, you want more.

You deserve more. How about a parking lot designated to graduating seniors only? That way, you're not fighting with the underclassmen for a parking place. You know that before you leave your home, you are guaranteed a space.

Now, I'm not saying that you should have your own personalized parking space. However, a special parking lot for graduating seniors only would give you one less thing to worry about.

What about a registration day for graduating seniors only? You graduating seniors would be able to get those last few classes that you need without having to worry about getting special permission. It's only fair that you get first dibs on classes before anyone else. This would also give you a head start at the bookstore since you know what classes you'd be taking. After all, everyone else will be here next semester.

The one privilege that graduating seniors deserve is the rec center. For the past three years, tuition has increased. The reason: our wonderful new rec center. However, if you're graduating in May, then you only have about three more months to enjoy it for free. After you graduate, you must pay a membership fee to use that

building that you practically built. Graduating students should be able to enjoy the rec center for at least one semester following graduation.

We can compare this whole scenario to the business world. Let's say that ECU is a large company in New York City. The business people who have been working here the longest get special privileges. Instead of parking on the fourth level of the parking deck, they get to park right in front of the door on the first level. The "senior" partners also get to choose what jobs they would like to work on first. The senior employees are the ones who are committed to the organization. They've stuck it out through thick and thin. The company, in turn, makes them feel special and recognizes their accomplishments.

It's time for ECU seniors to be recognized and to receive those special privileges. Every student at ECU who has what it takes, will be a senior one day. And yes, on that fine day, all of you underclassmen will be entitled to whatever privileges that come with that senior status. Wouldn't you like to have something to look forward to for all of your hard work?

I'm not saying to give the seniors a huge parade. Nor am I saying to give them free food, books, or anything they want. What I am saying is that when a student reaches senior status, they have many things to stress over. Why not make a student's last semester at ECU more enjoyable and memorable? Give the seniors their seniority.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Housekeeping staff issues unresolved

To the Editor,

I must say I was quite unimpressed with the bit of unprofessional journalism in Thursday's edition of *The East Carolinian*. The article entitled, "ECU officials shed light on discrimination claim," was shoddy and unresearched to say the least. To start with, the picture accompanying the article was one of a black housekeeper and a white housekeeper, insinuating that there are as many white housekeepers as black. The truth is, there are very few white housekeepers on staff at ECU. Next, the article portrays Vice Chancellor of Business Affairs, Richard Brown, to be concerned with the welfare of the workers, when in fact, the only issue he addressed was the documented racial slurs used.

Mr. Brown never responded to any of the workers' grievances about work environment, salary or respect (which was left out of the article entirely). The only disconcerting event dealt with was Brown's half-hearted statement, "... problem of the racial slur (insinuating only one occurrence) has been locked into and appropriate action has been taken."

fail to see what discontent this obvious "slap on the wrist" will help to settle. The article continues into another obvious dodge of the real issue. Brown says that the rate hike is not a school issue, but if not, how is it that UNC's housekeepers settled for one million dollars in pay and work environment improvement? Promotions are almost unheard of in the realm of housekeeping. Perhaps after 20 or 30 years of working in minimal conditions, a pay raise will be given out. But even after that, a housekeeper can make not more than 20 to 21 thousand dollars a year, not nearly enough to support an entire family. Chancellor Eakin, who has finally allowed for meeting with the housekeepers, seems to think that a meeting is all that is required to "oil the wheel" so to speak, but I, for one, won't allow him neglect[isic] human rights of the housekeepers.

There is much more to this issue than has been discussed by Hopkins and Algood in this article. The housekeeping staff have not been the subjects of just one racial slur, but constant racial discrimination. I find myself disheartened and fully dis-

gusted with this paper's lack of research on the issue. The issue of housekeepers' rights are[isic] not to be taken lightly. It's very easy for us as privileged children of society to blame the problem on someone else, but if we continue to let discrimination of this sort continue, we will be and are the guilty party. In one tiny paragraph, you managed to reduce a well planned and very emotional march for human rights to no more than an activist group protest. The actions and complaints must be heard, and as if it weren't enough that Chancellor Eakin and the administration ignore them, but the local newspaper as well is belittling their cause. This is much more than a march for pay raise, this is a proud display of courage and honor in the tradition of Martin Luther King, Jr.'s dream. After all, King was shot while marching for sanitation workers just like ECU's housekeepers. I think it's time this paper started thinking about real issues instead of "the Parking Predicament."

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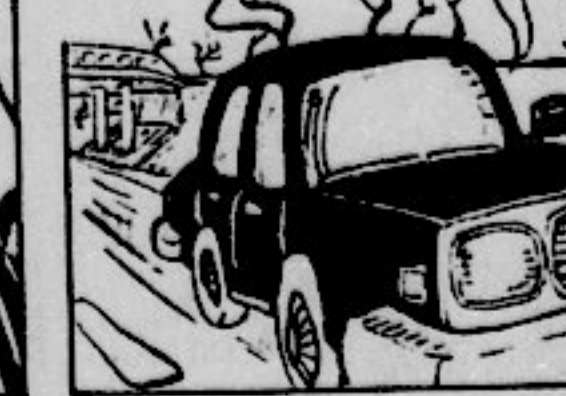
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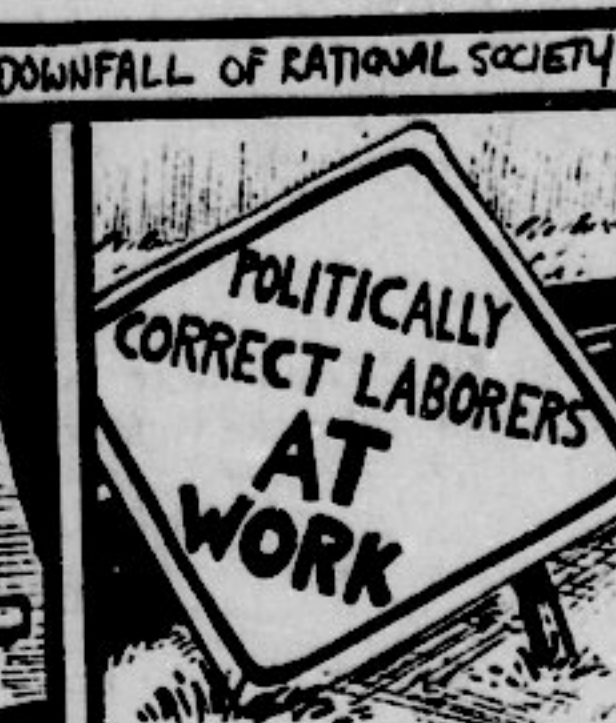
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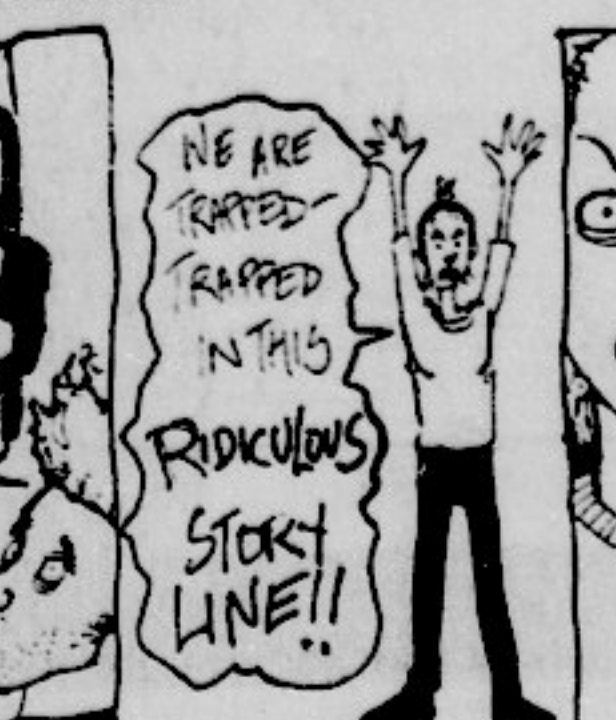


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By Michael Litwin

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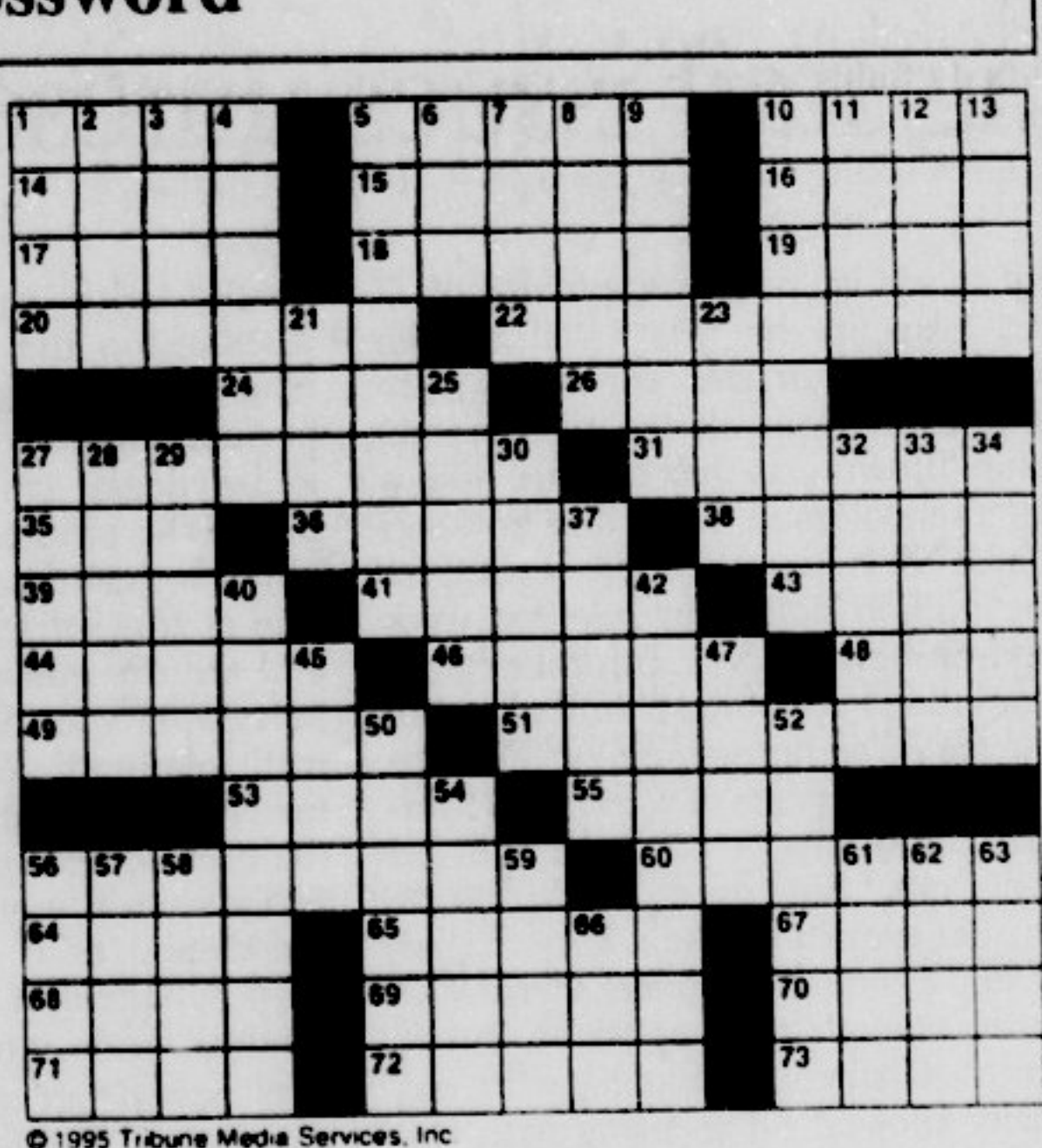


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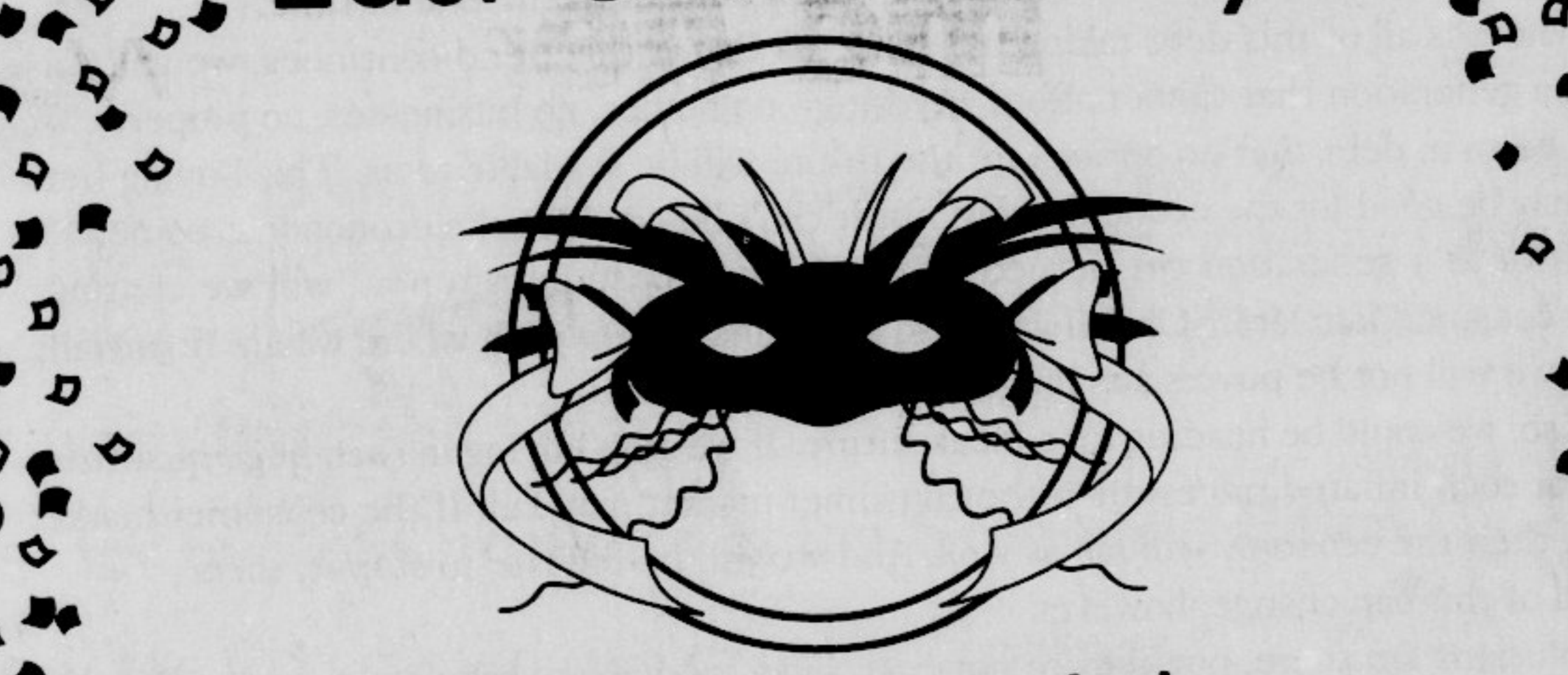
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Wright hosts Vienna Choir Boys

I remember very little about when I was a kid. Granted, a lot less time has gone by for me than for some of my friends, but still, my memories are very selective. I remember playing - I did a lot of that. I remember going to school and hating it (well, some things never change). I remember that homework was a drag and milk and cookies were a nutritious meal. I remember building tents in the living room and camping in the Smokies without ever leaving home.

I remember pretending to be a rock singer and holding concerts for all of my stuffed animals. I wasn't very good, and come to think of it, a lot of my favorite cuddly friends got lost right after I began my 1981 World Tour, but I always dreamed of what it would be like to live "on the road."

I watched all the shows with the child actors, dressing I could one day be like them. Child actors are a dime a dozen, and while their innocence lasts, America will continue to watch their cute antics. Even after their innocence is gone, we'll get our kicks watching their trials on TV. As the child stars grow older, so did I, and I lost some of my fascination with them. But recently I've discovered a group of kids who have been performing for more years than America has been independent of England.

They are the Vienna Choir Boys. For almost 500 years the Vienna Choir Boys have been traveling the world, sharing their gift of music and performance with people everywhere. Five hundred years. There is nothing in my life that stable. Talk about job security.



On Sunday afternoon at 2 p.m., the Vienna Choir Boys will perform in Wright. PHOTO COURTESY OF THE S. RUDOLPH ALEXANDER PERFORMING ARTS SERIES

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CDreview



Manday Huga
Manday Huga

PAT REID
STAFF WRITER

In a time when the music world is being deluged with different versions of the same old thing, it's refreshing to see that someone somewhere is still doing something different. In a time when alternative is running the scene, the "art" of thrash has been lost by the wayside.

And, in fact, thrash is a form of art. When you stick with mainly one or two chords or progressions and your singer sounds like Satan's father on a bad day, you have to know what you're doing to pull off good songs. Take for example, the band Pentra. Simple, grinding songs with vocals that make you fear for your life, but they still have rhythm and originality.

Unfortunately, the same can't be said for Manday Huga. The only thing keeping these guys from being rated "Run Away" is the fact that if you turn their music up loud enough, it can still make your house shake. Seriously, this trio from the Outer Banks of North Carolina has a couple of good things going here and there, but they never combine them into a good song or two. In the words of their own song, "How It Is," "Roll it up all you get is one big ball of shit / And that's how it is." I couldn't have said it better myself.

Their independent self-titled CD starts off with "Underground." From the opening scream, I knew this would be a long CD. But I actually thought they had potential. "Underground" is a straight-ahead thrash song from beginning to end. Though overall not a bad song, the last line helps prepare you for the rest of the CD when it says "Don't be a wimp and hold your own..." which is exactly the reaction that the next song encourages.

"Spinach" marks the beginning of the end for Manday Huga. The lack of musical skill begins to show, with rapid breaks and slow scales being the main riff of the song. Basically, the band learned a scale, broke it down, and then sang over it. Placing the vocals over the scale breaks sealed the coffin shut on this one.

"Never Happen" starts out with a cool little guitar effect and has a deep bass sound that makes this fast, funky song a decent attempt at good music. But in mixing the song, somebody must not have realized the importance of the bass sound, because during the guitar solo the bass is subdued to a point where it has no real part to play. At least the rest of song shows some effort.

"Floor" is another example of good and bad points in the same song. The intro and chorus need work. The music is mediocre to begin with, and sporadic drumming disrupts any flow that it might have had. During the verses, however, they get their act together and actually rock some. Then the chorus comes and, surprise, surprise, it's the same thing as the intro.

Among the other weaknesses of the band is the songwriting. I hope the guys don't have the attitude of the songs in real life. The songs are junior high-level attempts at "fighting the establishment." They gripe about anything and everything dealing with authority or rules, and a little of that goes a long way. By the end of the album, it's just the same old stuff over and over again and this is the number one way to turn listeners off.

However, the guys in Manday Huga obviously don't know this. How can I tell? There's a hidden song on the CD. And you have to wait two full minutes after the last song before it starts. First of all, they'll be lucky if anyone even makes it to the last track, and second, it'll be a miracle if someone finishes the CD and actually lets it play for two more minutes before turning the player off.

You want to know the true irony of this situation? The hidden song is one of the best songs on the album. Fast and funky, Manday keeps the song's time down to a couple of minutes, which allows them to play only the good stuff. Instead of throwing in bad parts in the interest of a longer song, they keep this one short and simple.

From the lyrics on the album, the band appears to be trying to play the roles of big, bad guys who take no junk from anybody. Instead, they come across as unskilled guys who play junk for anybody. Is this close enough? You can decide for yourself.



health minute

It's not hip to get hep

STEVE JOHNSON
STUDENT HEALTH SERVICE

With more than 300,000 new cases each year, hepatitis B is considered to be more than 100 times as contagious as AIDS. Approximately 14 Americans die each day from hepatitis B related illnesses.

Hepatitis B is a virus that can live in all body fluids. Also, it may live in dried blood for up to seven days, therefore making it more contagious than AIDS. A major method of transmission for hepatitis B is sexual intercourse. Another method of transmission is using contaminated needles for reasons such as intravenous drug use, tattooing and ear and body piercing. One other mode of transmission is sharing personal items such as razors, toothbrushes, and nail clippers.

Since anyone can contract hepatitis B, it is important to be able to recognize the symptoms. Before looking at the symptoms, it is important to note that about half of the people infected with hepatitis B show no symptoms. Approximately 49 percent will have flu-like symptoms such as tiredness, mild fever, loss of appetite, aching muscles or joints, and nausea/diarrhea. Another symptom is jaundice, a yellow appearance that may develop on the eye or skin.

One percent of the people who contract hepatitis B may develop liver cancer or cirrhosis, which could prove to be fatal. The Hepatitis B Foundation in Pennsylvania claims that 90 percent of those infected will recover successfully through a natural healing process. However, up to ten percent will not recover successfully, and it is next to impossible to predict

who will recover and who will not.

Since there is no cure for hepatitis B, prevention is the key. Abstinence is the best method for not contracting hepatitis B through sexual contact. However, if a person insists on being sexually active, correct use of a latex condom is imperative. It is also important to never use contaminated needles intended for medical or non-medical purposes. Another technique of prevention is to be certain not to share personal items such as toothbrushes, razors or nail clippers.

Just as important, a low-fat, low-cholesterol, high fiber diet including yellow vegetables, broccoli and cabbage is a great way to help your liver. Also helpful is a professionally prescribed exercise program.

One very important method used for prevention is the hepatitis B infection vaccination. The hepatitis B vaccine is available at the ECU Student Health Center at a reduced cost for all three injections.

Since hepatitis B and many other infectious diseases are contracted largely through social relations, it is important to communicate assertively to other people that you do not want to take part in certain social actions such as having sex or allowing someone to use your shaving razor. Being able to communicate "No" to other people without offending them is a large concern for many people. It is very difficult to communicate "No" while at the same time being discreet.

A sense of humor is one method used to lessen the tension in a difficult situation while at the same time effectively communicating the "No" message. Within this mind set, a difficult situation has been composed in question and answer format with a possibly humorous answer:

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Concert benefits AIDS patients

ANDY TURNER
SENIOR WRITER

Creativity often arises from tragedy, offered Dr. Jay Pierson, an ECU voice professor.

Pierson's creativity - and his tragedy - will be exhibited Feb. 2 at the A.J. Fletcher Recital Hall during "Sounds of Sorrow," a benefit concert for people living with HIV and AIDS. The concert, scheduled to begin at 7 p.m., will feature music connected to the AIDS pandemic performed by ECU students and faculty.

Money generated from the event will benefit Pitt County AIDS Service Organization Incorporated (PICASO). Tickets for the show are available for \$10 in advance through East Coast Music and Video and from PICASO itself.

Pierson knows first hand the tragedy of AIDS. His partner in life, James "Mark" Hamilton, died of an AIDS-related brain cancer on Nov. 24, 1993.

He will perform "Songs for Mark," a cycle of six songs, in tribute to Hamilton at the concert. Pierson composed the music and the words for the cycle.

"It is a memorial to him and our life together," Pierson explained. Pierson said he hopes the tragedy that the music reflects will bring about a greater "education" concerning AIDS and HIV.

"This is a unique medium for raising the level of awareness," he added. "This concert is important because it

helps raise the level of awareness close to home in eastern North Carolina."

In addition to Pierson, Nathan Williams, an associate professor of clarinet and chamber music, knows well the tragedy of AIDS. His brother, composer and poet Neal Williams, died of AIDS in 1993. "A Particular Fall," a song based on a poem written by Neal Williams, will make its debut at the concert.

A song written by the late composer Kevin Oldham will also be performed. Oldham, who passed away recently due to AIDS, was a friend of Marilyn Lucht, the assistant to the dean of communications at ECU.

Approximately ten performers are slated to perform at the concert. John Beleuzis, executive director for PICASO, said he hopes the show

will become an annual event.

According to Beleuzis, 230 people in Pitt County have been documented as having AIDS. It is the third highest rate in the state. He estimates there are 100 or more additional people with HIV-some who know and some who do not know.

PICASO is hoping to raise between \$12,000 and \$13,000 from the event.

Beleuzis said the show is a good and unique opportunity to play music that is purely connected to the HIV pandemic.

"I hope to see some folks there," he added. "I think the music will be pretty interesting for folks who like this sort of music."

For additional information or questions about tickets, call PICASO at 830-1660.

movie review

DALE WILLIAMSON
ASSISTANT LIFESTYLES EDITOR

I've been educating myself on musicals lately. Within the past year, I've watched such classics as *South Pacific*, *The Sound of Music*, *West Side Story* and, my personal favorite, *The Mirror*. Why don't they make movies like this anymore? Such a question is a cliché, but it is a legitimate question. Watching such films (as a film critic and a film buff) and knowing that they are no longer being made leaves a emptiness in my heart. Why is Hollywood afraid of the musical these days?

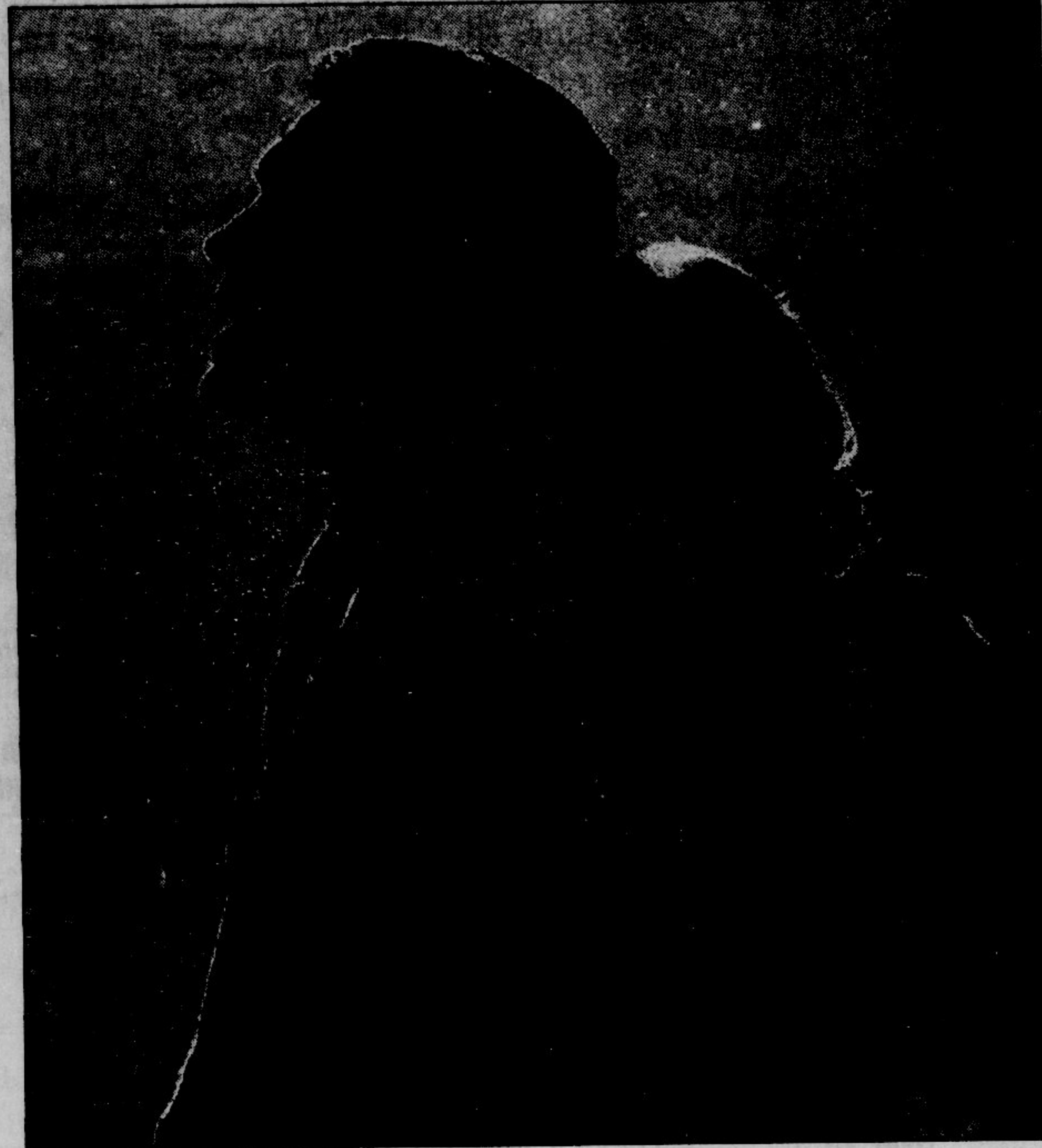
The answer revolves around money. Producers in Hollywood firmly believe that the golden age of the musical film is over, that no money can be made from such films.

Strangely enough, two high-profile musicals by two accomplished directors have been released within the last few months. Woody Allen has taken a stab at the musical with his film, *Everyone Says I Love You*. Unfortunately, Greenville theaters don't show Woody Allen films, so don't expect that gem to be playing at a theater near you anytime soon.

Surprisingly, though, Alan Parker's new musical, *Evita*, is in Greenville, and it is a stunning epic that does justice to the entire genre of film musicals.

Evita is powered by the music of Andrew Lloyd Webber; the lyrics of Tim Rice and the vocal performances of Madonna and Antonio Banderas. While all of this may form an unlikely company, the resulting product proves that the musical does not have to die. It is a genre that can be just as invigorating, exciting and hypnotic as any other type of film.

Based on the actual historical figure of Eva Duarte de Peron, a stage actress who grew into a national symbol for the peasant people of Argentina, *Evita* covers a great deal of narrative ground. The film follows Eva's life from a young girl with no home or family, through her efforts to climb the social ladder by means of



Antonio Banderas and Madonna heat up the screen in the new film musical, *Evita*. PHOTO COURTESY OF CINEMA PICTURES



SEE EVITA, PAGE 9

Parks offers advice



Gordon Parks, the director behind *Shaft*, serves as a true inspiration. PHOTO COURTESY OF THE INTERNET

NEW YORK (AP) - Gordon Parks, the first black photographer for *Life* magazine and the first black to direct a mainstream Hollywood film, thinks things will always be tough for blacks. Just don't use it as an excuse.

"The doors are more readily open for blacks getting into the arts today," Parks says in Sunday's *Daily News*. "But I'm afraid racism will never go away."

The 84-year-old artist, novelist, director, photographer, composer, poet and screenwriter built his legendary career on some solid parental advice.

"My mom always said, 'If you're going to be somebody, you have to want to be somebody,'" Parks said. "If anything propelled me in my life, it was that I wouldn't let bigotry stand in my way. My daddy told me, 'Sometimes you have to waltz around your enemy to fox-trot on his back.'"

Parks, who lives in New York, continues to write, paint and compose music. He's also an inspirational resource for young black artists.

John Singleton, the young director, was here the other night, asking for some advice," Parks said. "I also get notes from Spike (Lee) just to say, 'I love you.'"

Parks, who started working for *Life* in the late 1940s, directed the film version of his novel *The Learning Tree* in 1969 and was the director of 1971's penultimate blaxploitation film, *Shaft*.



January

30 Thursday

University Unions Travel/Adventure Film Series: *Canadian West* at 4 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. in Hendrix Theatre. There will also be a theme dinner at 6 p.m. in Mendenhall Great Room.

Amsterdam at the Artie.
Conehead Buddha at Peasants Cafe.

31 Friday

Faculty Recital: "Abendmusik," John B. O'Brien, harpsichord and Perry Smith, tenor, at 5 p.m. in the First Presbyterian Church, Greenville.

Faculty Recital: "Hymnus Paradisi," Janette Fishell, organist, at 8 p.m. in the First Presbyterian Church, Kingston.

Symphonic Wind Ensemble, Scott Carter, conductor; and Jazz Ensemble A, Carroll V. Dashiell, Jr., director, at 8 p.m. in Wright Auditorium.

Feeling Minnesota at 8 p.m. in Hendrix Theatre through Feb. 2.

Breakfast Club at the Artie.
Doxy's Kitchen at Peasants Cafe.

February

1 Saturday

University Unions Sponsored Spades Tournament at 1 p.m. in 8A-E Mendenhall.

Purple Schoolbus at the Artie.
The Pondering at Peasants Cafe.

2 Sunday

University Unions Sponsored Chess Tournament at 1 p.m. in 8A-E Mendenhall.

S. Rudolph Alexander Performing Arts Series Added Attraction: Vienna Choir Boys at 2 p.m. in Wright Auditorium.

School of Music sponsored Musicians Against AIDS: "Sounds of Support," a benefit concert for PICA-SO (Pitt County AIDS Service Organization) at 7 p.m. in Wright Auditorium.

3 Monday

Faculty Recital: Piano Music of William Gillock, Henry Doskey, piano, at 8 p.m. in A.J. Fletcher Recital Hall.

4 Tuesday

Ledonia Wright African-American Cultural Center sponsored focus on film: *Samba* at 7 p.m. in Hendrix Theatre.

5 Wednesday

Faculty Recital: Peter Mills, saxophone, at 8 p.m. in A.J. Fletcher Recital Hall.

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HEALTH

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mouth was condemned by the health department after you knocked out that classroom of people with your stinking breath."

This is merely a suggestion intended for lessening a very difficult but possibly very dangerous situation while communicating "No" at the same time. This method of refusing people will not

work for everyone; however, it is important to find your own personalized method of refusing people. Remember, there is no cure for hepatitis B, and it may be life threatening.

For more information on the vaccination or hepatitis B in general, please call the Student Health Service at 328-6749.

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one man at a time, to her political awakening in fighting for the rights of the lower classes of Argentina.

The narrative structure of this film may throw many off, including fans of the traditional musical, because the entire story is told in song, including most of the dialogue. Webber and Rice make *Evita* more like *Les Miserables* than *The Music Man*. Going into the film with such knowledge allows one to better open up to the film's style and mentality.

Also, a little historical knowledge of Eva and Argentina wouldn't hurt. The screenplay (written by Parker and Oliver Stone) effectively tells Eva's story, but the more significant elements of the film involve Argentina's political and cultural history, and the facts are somewhat blurred when told in song and dance.

But these criticisms are easily overlooked once the film embraces you. Rice and Webber work musical wonders together, creating many (for lack

of a better word) catchy songs that should impress the Oscars this year. While some songs seemed forced - particularly when dialogue is spoken in song - the music, which makes or breaks any musical, ultimately lifts *Evita* to the status of a modern epic.

Fitting neatly into their musical roles are Madonna, Banderas and Jonathan Pryce. Pryce is particularly impressive in an understated performance as the newly-elected Argentinian leader Juan Peron, who becomes Eva's lover and eventually her husband.

While the film does paint Eva as a force of good and justice, it doesn't simply show one side of the story. Playing the political leader and Cuban revolutionary Ernesto "Che" Guevara, Antonio Banderas serves as the Greek chorus that narrates and comments on much of the narrative. With Banderas (who stands out with his rebellious, raspy vocal presence) firmly entrenched in the film, there is always a question as to what exactly motivates *Evita* - the people or money and fame.

Serving as the centerpiece of the film, Madonna excels way beyond any limitations she displayed in such films as *Who's That Girl* or *Desperately Seeking*

Jesus. Madonna makes love to the camera with her classic movie star beauty, her voice translates Rice's lyrics with a natural ease, and she, the actress, just seems to be having the time of her life. When watching Madonna in this role, one clearly sees a performer giving it her all.

Alan Parker (*Mississippi Burning*, *Angel Heart*) turns in a tour-de-force of direction by weaving the entire film together into a coherent whole. Along with cinematographer Dariusz Khondji, he fills the wide screen with beautifully composed images not seen enough in most of mainstream cinema. Thanks to Parker and Khondji, *Evita* actually demands to be seen on the widescreen. When this film hits video, a letterboxed version must be released to keep the integrity of the visuals intact.

Response to *Evita* has been overwhelmingly positive. The film is doing well at a very competitive box office, and it won several major awards at this year's Golden Globe Awards ceremony (including best musical or comedy).

Hopefully, with the success of *Evita*, future awards ceremonies will have more musicals competing for such an award.

VIENNA

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The Vienna Choir Boys, actually four separate choirs, tour with 24 boys ages ten to 14. Each of the choirs has its own concertmaster, nurse and prefect. When not on tour, the boys live together in a "school" environment in Augarten Palace in Vienna. They receive schooling in subjects such as music theory and instrument lessons, as well as hours of practice and rehearsal. Those who wish to pursue a career with the Vienna Choir Boys attend a special preparatory school and,

at age nine, take an examination. If they pass, they might be allowed to audition for any spots in the choir that open up.

I wonder how these spots do open up. It would be terribly mean to kick a kid to the curb on his 15th birthday. (Sorry son, you're just too old.) It turns out that once the boys' voices start to crack, they are retired to studio apartments on the grounds of Augarten Palace and are allowed to continue their education. The whole deal sounds pretty cushy to me.

The concert consists of three parts: secular music, non-secular, and a mini-opera. In the past, the Vienna Choir Boys have been known to do a delightful rendition of a Richard Strauss comic opera concerning a prince who

visits a local man expecting to meet his beautiful daughters, and instead meets his cross-dressing sons. If you ask me, they couldn't have picked a more appropriate selection. Whatever the opera, the boys make use of their beautiful voices, superb costumes and natural playfulness to have fun and entertain the audience.

The Vienna Choir Boys will be arriving at ECU for a Sunday afternoon performance at 2 p.m. as an added attraction for the S. Randolph Alexander Performing Arts Series. Tickets are \$7 for ECU students with a valid ID and \$12 for ECU faculty and staff. All tickets at the door will be \$15. The show starts at 2 p.m. in Wright Auditorium. Don't miss this opportunity to see a world tradition in person.

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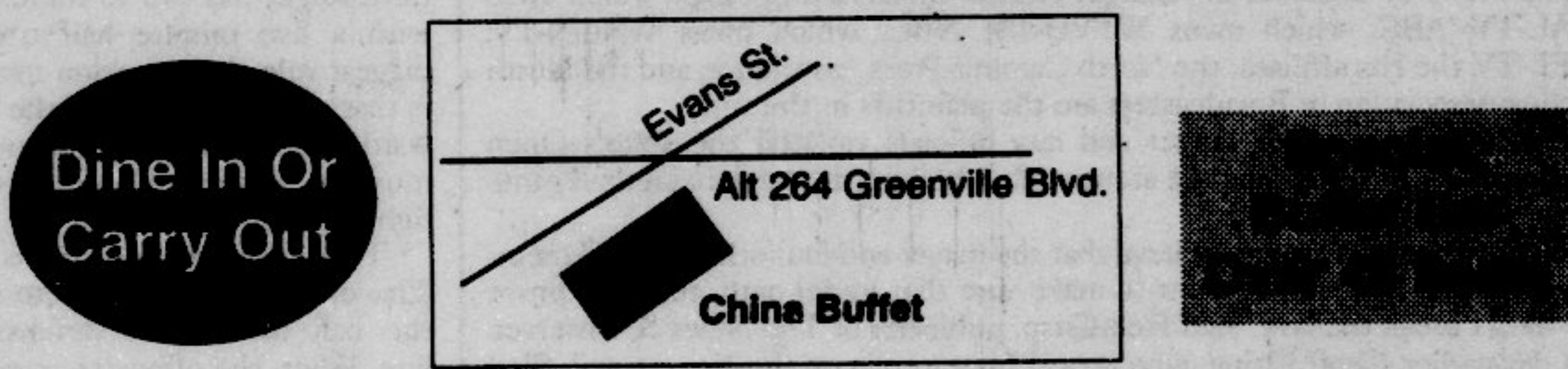
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fast break

JACKSON COUNSELS DENNIS RODMAN

CHICAGO (AP) - The Rev. Jesse Jackson, after counseling Dennis Rodman, wants the NBA to immediately reinstate the misbehaving Chicago Bulls forward.

Jackson planned to meet with commissioner David Stern today in New York to discuss the case for Rodman, who was suspended at least 11 games for kicking a courtside cameraman on Jan. 15.

NBA spokesman Brian McIntyre said, "No such meeting is scheduled."

"Like everybody else, I don't condone Dennis' action," Jackson told the Chicago Sun-Times on Tuesday. "I want to convey to the commissioner my sentiment and the sentiments of a growing number of people that Dennis has already been punished enough for the very act in question."

The Bulls' 111-96 victory Tuesday night at Vancouver was the sixth game of the suspension, which will cost Rodman more than \$1.1 million in salary. He also was fined \$25,000 by the league, and he has agreed to pay a \$200,000 out-of-court settlement to Minneapolis cameraman Eugene Amos.

COWBOYS OWNER OWES IRS

FORT WORTH, Texas (AP) - The Internal Revenue Service claims Dallas Cowboys owner Jerry Jones and his wife owe \$8.3 million in back taxes and penalties from 1992, the Fort Worth Star-Telegram reported today.

The newspaper said Jones and his wife, Gene, are contesting the matter in U.S. Tax Court, with the couple's tax lawyers saying that such disputes with the IRS are not uncommon and won't affect the team.

An IRS spokesman would not comment on the case, but an IRS lawyer told the newspaper about 95 percent of tax disputes are settled before they reach a tax court judge for a ruling.

The IRS told the Joneses in October that they were liable for \$12.8 million in total taxes in 1992, but said they paid less than \$5.9 million. The government agency said the Joneses understated their 1992 income by \$23.4 million, listing it as \$19 million when it should have been \$42.4 million.

The disputed income involved the sale of 49 percent of the stock in Texas Stadium Corp. to Pro Seat Limited Partnership and dividends from Texas Stadium Corp. and its subsidiaries.

AUTHORITIES WON'T PRESS CHARGES AGAINST WELLS

SAN DIEGO (AP) - New York Yankees pitcher David Wells will not face charges in connection with a fight that left two other men injured, the district attorney said Tuesday.

Wells and a male companion fought with two men Jan. 12 after they thought that two other men had taken the keys to Wells' car. Wells broke his left hand in the altercation.

"We will not file any criminal charges against David Wells in connection with an incident outside an Ocean Beach bar," said District Attorney spokeswoman Gayle Falkenthal.

Wells signed a \$13.5 million, three-year contract with the Yankees last month.

Robinson didn't say whether Wells and his companion each threw punches.

Wells, 6-foot-4 and 225 pounds, went to Point Loma High in San Diego and lives in Florida. He apparently was in California for his mother's funeral, Robinson said.

Wells, 33, was 11-14 with a 5.14 ERA for the Baltimore Orioles last year.

RALIEGH BEING SUED FOR SECRET MEETING ABOUT NEW ARENA

RALIEGH (AP) - News organizations sued Raleigh Mayor Tom Petzer and four city council members Tuesday over an alleged secret meeting to talk about a proposed hockey arena.

The News & Observer in Raleigh, Capitol Broadcasting Corp., which owns WRAL-TV, ABC, which owns WTVD-TV, NBC, which owns WNCN-TV, WLFL-TV, the Fox affiliate, the North Carolina Press Association and the North Carolina Association of Broadcasters are the plaintiffs in the suit.

The lawsuit contends Petzer and city officials violated the state's Open Meetings Law by discussing the arena while watching a college basketball game on Jan. 19 at a private home.

"We have every reason to believe that the mayor and four other council members broke the law, and we want to make sure that under oath, they can prove they didn't break the law," said Fred Crisp, publisher of The News & Observer.

A day earlier, Geoff Elting, who served three terms on the city council, filed suit against Petzer and City Council members Paul Coble, John Odum, Marc Scruggs Jr. and Kieran Shanahan.

STADIUM EXPANSION COULD BE HALTED

SAN DIEGO (AP) - At least two cities have contacted the NFL about hosting the San Diego Chargers next season should a controversial expansion of Jack Murphy Stadium be halted by a referendum, team president Dean Spanos said Tuesday night.

Spanos wouldn't elaborate, saying he hadn't talked directly to representatives from other cities. However, a source told The Associated Press that a city in the Los Angeles area and Houston would be interested in hosting the Chargers should the expansion project be stopped.

Los Angeles lost the Raiders and Rams two seasons ago, and the Oilers plan to move from Houston to Nashville in 1998.

San Diego also is in danger of losing the 1998 Super Bowl, and competition for the game is heating up among Pasadena, Calif.; Detroit; Minneapolis, and Tempe, Ariz., the source said.

NFL officials did not return telephone calls Tuesday seeking comment.

The 10,000-seat expansion, which includes additional skyboxes and club seating, plus a new practice site for the Chargers, has been wrapped in controversy since the City Council approved the deal in May 1995.

TRIVIAtime

Question: When was the last time the ECU men's basketball team won the CAA championship title and who did they defeat on their way to the top? Who was the team they faced in the first round of the NCAA tournament?

Answer: The year was 1998. They finished off second seed (DU) 73-67, sixth seed (UNC-Wilmington) 55-50 and top seed (MI) 54-49 to claim the title.

TRACY LAUBACH
SENIOR WRITER

The Lady Pirates (8-10, 3-5 in the CAA) are on a roll as they claimed their third consecutive win on Tuesday evening in a non-conference battle against Coastal Carolina (5-12 overall).

The Pirates controlled the lead throughout the entire duration of the game, and were led by Justine Allpress and Jen Cox, who turned in 20 and 18 points each respectively.

Two and a half minutes into the game, Allpress sunk a three-point field goal to put ECU ahead by 12. The others were both put in during the first half of play by Misty Horne, who played with all of her heart for a total of 35 minutes in the ballgame.

The Chanticleers, led by Jackie Kershaw and Lori Gray, were never quite able to gain control at any time during the first half of the game. Allpress put in a 10-foot jump shot at the buzzer to end the first half 15 points ahead with a score of 41-26.

Coastal Carolina came back strong in the second half to turn the game around. The Chanticleers managed to put all 17 of their attempted free throws through the hoop in the second half.

Aside from one completed free throw from Tracey Kelley, the Pirates did not put any numbers on the scoreboard in the second half until, with 11:33 remaining, Kelley sunk a 16-

Streak of victories continues

foot shot. Coastal Carolina was racking up points after putting up a 12-foot jump shot with 11:11 left on the clock to put her team behind by only one point with a score of 44-43.

Allpress, Kelley and Cox answered with confidence and consistency that enabled the Pirates to increase their lead once again to a score of 56-47 with 3:01 of game time remaining.

With 1:18 left on the clock and a six point Pirates lead, Coastal Carolina's Meredith Luebbers sent a three pointer into the basket. Seconds later, teammate Kershaw fouled, and Cox was sent to the line to shoot one-and-one. Immediately after Cox missed her shot, Allpress fouled and Coastal Carolina's Lindsey Blossom was sent to the foul line to shoot. She nailed both of her shots, and with less than a minute of play time left, ECU led by only two points.

With 45.9 seconds until the buzzer, the Chanticleers gained two with a 12-foot jumper by Gray, and the game was sent into overtime.

With five more minutes put on the clock and a tied score of 58-58, the victory was in the hands of either team.

Kelley, 50 seconds into overtime, put two points on the board for ECU. Seconds later, the opponents were given the opportunity to respond with four free throws, all of which were completed. Cox came back in the end and sunk two free throws of her own along with a shot from underneath. Danielle Melvin ended the game with two shots from the line



Beth Jaynes goes up for two of her six points in Tuesday's 70-64 win over Coastal Carolina. PHOTO BY CHRIS SATOCHI

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Rugby tradition continues for a new season

TRAVIS NEWKIRK
STAFF WRITER

What do you get when you cross the game of soccer with the game of football? This may sound like the beginning of a cheesy joke, but this is actually true. The answer is rugby.

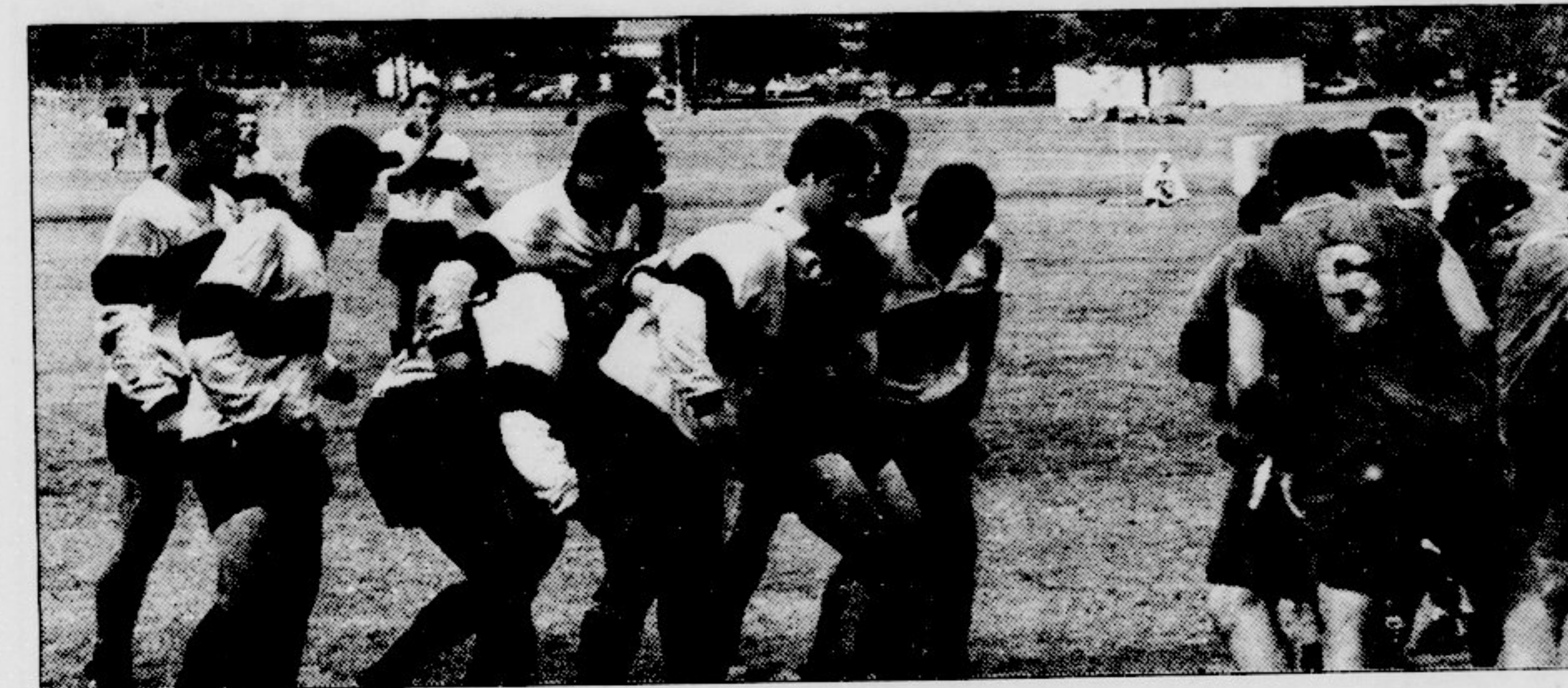
Rugby is fairly new in the U.S., as compared to the rest of the world. Rugby started in Europe around the same time as soccer. The dimensions of the field are similar to that of a soccer and football field. The rugby field's length is 100-meters long and 60-meters wide. This does not include two 10 meter end zones. The field also includes goalposts, just like in football.

When it comes to rules, that is where things get interesting. The only equipment in the game of rugby is cleats, long socks, jerseys and a ball. No pads are allowed.

Each team has 15 players on the field at a time. There are no time-outs or substitutions, unless a player is hurt. Rugby has two 40-minute halves with a five minute half time.

The biggest rule that a person may notice is that a player can't pass the ball forward. When passing to a teammate, it must be a lateral. Contrary to belief, fighting is not allowed.

The object of the game is simple. The offensive team tries to advance the ball toward the defensive goal line. When the offensive man crosses the goal line, this is called a try. In order for the score to count, the ball must be touched down on the ground. This is equivalent to a touchdown in football. A try is worth five points, and the point after try is worth two points. ECU has had its own rugby team



The ECU rugby team sports a rich tradition in winning. On Saturday they will host Camp Lejeune at 1 p.m. at the Allied Health Fields. PHOTOS COURTESY OF ECU RUGBY

Students enjoy new facility

STEVE LOSBY
STAFF WRITER

After a long wait, ECU's new Student Recreation Center opened to a flood of students eager for a place to work out. Students agree that the Rec Center has surpassed their expectations. The wide variety of activities available allows students the freedom to exercise however they wish.

"It's like Club Med," freshman Josh Briggs said. "It makes exercising a lot more fun."

The rec center is drawing a variety of people. Some work out religiously, while others have let their exercise slack off and are seeking to make amends. The others just play a pickup game of basketball or racquetball now and then.

A large part of the student body has found themselves going whenever they have some spare time. The elevated track is always full of joggers and the pool has more than its fair share of swimmers doing lap after lap. The weights and nautilus equipment are heavily frequented.

The Center Court is also an addition that is drawing crowds. It offers

low fat drinks to thirsty patrons after their workout and can get as busy as the other features the rec center has to offer.

"It gets real busy around 6 p.m. and 10:30 p.m.," said Center Court Employee Travis Peterson.

The only objections people have are minor. Some students have found the size of the rec center overwhelming.

"It would be nice if the weight room was divided into sections," freshman Sara Ray said.

Another student Jason Burkett was disappointed by the policies regarding racquetball court reservations.

"You can only reserve them one day in advance," Burkett said. Burkett suggested a more open procedure which allowed students to make plans two or three days ahead of time. There also have been problems on the track with walkers getting in the way of runners.

Nobody knows whether the mad rush to the rec center is just a fad or a genuine move by ECU's students toward a more physically fit lifestyle. But for now, it seems, a stop at the rec center has become a regular habit for most of ECU's population.

Meet prepares team for season

ZINA BRILEY
STAFF WRITER

This past weekend the Pirate track team competed in Tennessee for the USAir Invitational.

ECU, East Tennessee, Francis Marion, Illinois, Southern Methodist, Virginia Tech, Life College, UNC-Chapel Hill, South Carolina, Duke, Marshall, Clemson, Appalachian St. and JMU met with 40 other schools at East Tennessee University for the meet.

The Pirate Sprint Squad and the Lady Pirates Track and Field Team met with over 50 schools from all over the southeast for the Jan. 24-25 invitational. On the men's side, there was big competition, but the Pirates prevailed and had a respectable meet.

The Men's 4x400 meter relay finished fourth overall. Titus Haygood and Vaughn Monroe finished well in the men's 60-meter dash, and as for the rest of the Pirates, they are definitely looking forward to this weekend's meet in Kentucky.

This was the second worse men's meet in East Carolina history.

We definitely have work to do," Head Coach Bill Carson said.

On the ladies side, once again the veterans led the way for the Lady Pirates. Amanda Johnson won her heat in the women's 60-meter dash and placed 11th in the women's Long jump to finish up the weekend.

The other bright spot for the weekend was Michelle Clayton. Clayton finished ninth out of a field of 20 in the women's 20 pounds weight throw and a set school record in the women's shot with the throw of 44-9, beating the old record by a half an inch. The throw was also a personal record for Clayton and qualifies her for ECAC's.

As for the other Lady Pirates, everyone had a decent meet despite the heavy competition.

"We didn't run well for different reasons, but we'll bounce back. This meet served as a motivator to get us ready for Virginia Tech," Head Coach "Choo" Justice said.

The sprint squad will travel to Kentucky this weekend and will compete in the University of Kentucky Invitational. The women will head to Blacksburg, Va. for the Virginia Tech Invitational.

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					15	16
					17	18
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						Men's Basketball v. UNC-W 7 p.m.
					23	24
					25 Softball v. Campbell (DH) 2 p.m.	26 Softball v. Eastern Michigan 2 p.m.
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since 1975, Rugby at ECU is a club sport and doesn't receive any money from the ECU athletic department. The rugby team does receive assistance and funding through Intramural Sport Services, which raises money from fund-raisers and allocates money through SGA.

John Hasbrough, a 10-year veteran, has toured Europe while playing rugby.

"Intramurals has worked hard to get us where we are today," Hasbrough said. "We appreciate the help of those guys. Other rugby teams don't have this kind of support."

Support and recognition is what the team is seeking. Most people are unaware of the tradition of the ECU rugby team. The team has won the last six out of seven state championships, including five in a row (1992-1996). In 1994 the team finished eighth in the nation while advancing to the sweet 16 in the national tournament.

The majority of the guys who play rugby left a sport that they

loved to try something new. Two of these players are Mickey Crawford and John Oathout.

"Rugby is a good way to stay in shape and release aggression," Crawford said.

Oathout learns something new each time he plays.

"I pick up a new trick of the trade every time I play the game," Oathout said.

Life is not over for an ECU rugby player after graduation. There are several different rugby leagues that a player can get into.

The problem with these leagues is that a player doesn't get paid. The hope is for the United States to

start a 12 team league that plays a series of games between themselves, and eventually play the championship game on the ABC or ESPN networks.

Even though rugby is a rough sport and is seen as barbaric, it's actually a gentleman's sport with a lot of comradery. There are no hard feelings towards players on the opposing team after the game.

Come check out the ECU rugby team this Saturday when they play Camp Lejeune at the Allied Health field at 1 p.m.

If you have any questions or want to join the ECU rugby team call John at 355-6817.

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that put the Pirates ahead by six with a final score of 70-64.

Just seconds before Melvin was sent to the line to shoot, Allpress was dribbling the ball toward Pirate territory when Kelley suddenly called a time-out. Allpress lost control of herself and the ball as she began to slow down, and fell to the floor with what is believed to be a sprained ankle. With a little rest, she believes that she will be set and ready to go for Sunday's matchup against UNC-Wilmington.

Coach Donovan was proud of the girls for stepping up and fighting hard when Allpress went down.

"The team relies so much on fastness both offensively and defensively. It was good for the other girls on the team to have to step up and get the job done without her," Donovan said.

Allpress was named CAA player-of-the-week this week for her outstanding contribution to the ECU victories claimed over JMU and VCU last week.

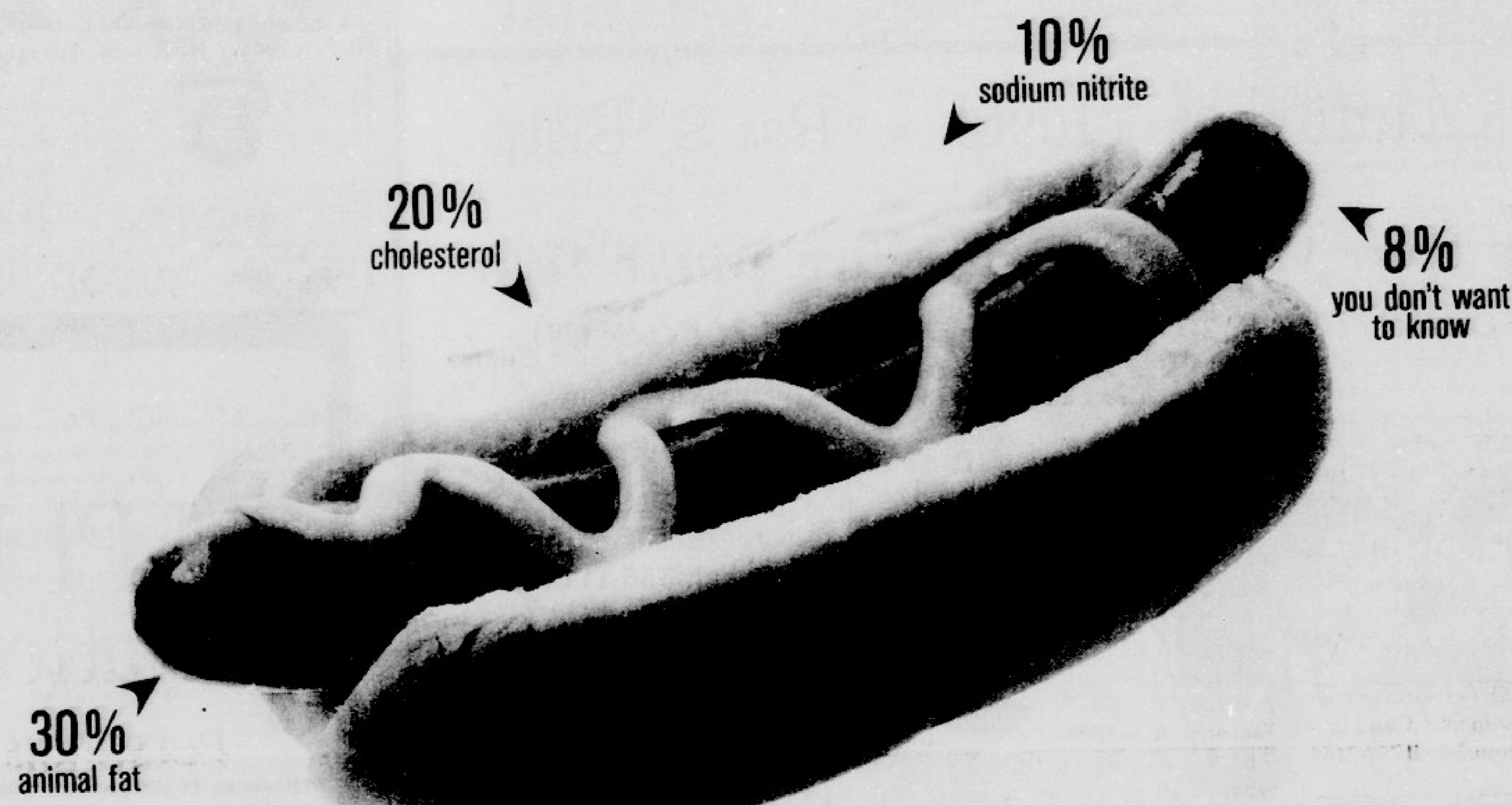
Donovan complimented Coastal Carolina's determination and ability to pull themselves out of the hole after half-time.

"Coastal Carolina's girls kept their composure out on the court and kept fighting until the end," Donovan said. "Putting the game into overtime and not giving up is a tribute to their team."

Donovan was disappointed with the overall offensive playing displayed by the girls, but to her, the fun is what matters the most.

"The second half was just a poor 20 minutes of shooting," Donovan said. "But I think it's a good thing to play that poorly offensively and still walk away with a win. It's not a 20 minutes any of us ever wants to see again, but we survived it, and that's what's important."

The second half of CAA play will begin for the Lady Pirates on Sunday as they take on the Seahawks (1-5 in the CAA) in Wilmington. ECU heads into the matchup with hopes of continuing their winning streak. They also hope to start off the second half of their season with strength that will put them on the top in the end.



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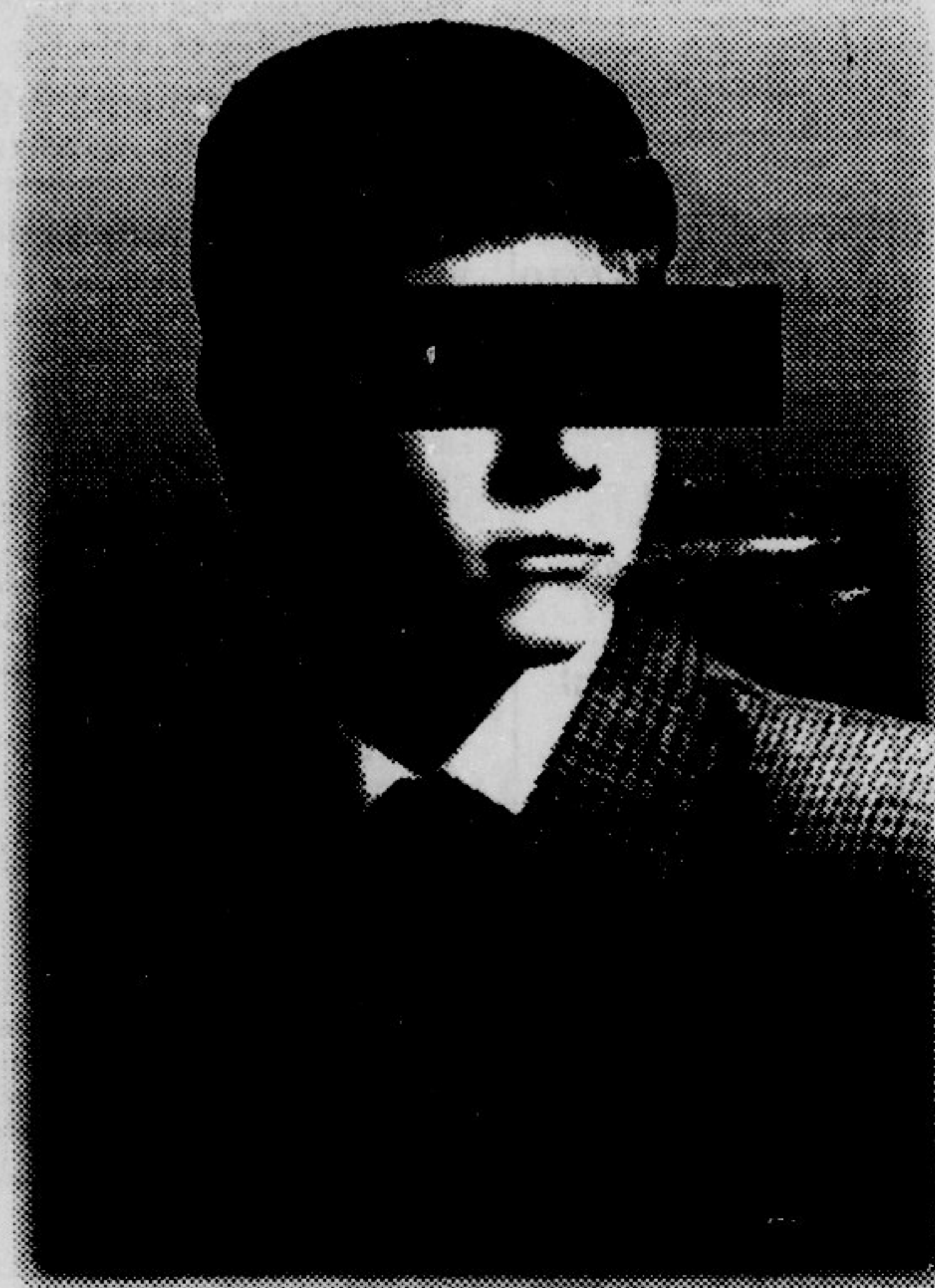
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"Last year I had an opportunity to live on campus and be a winner. But instead I chose to live off campus...what a mistake. I got stuck with utility, phone and cable bills. The security deposit I had to pay for the apartment really cut me short on money. I had to eat my own cooking and then wash all the messy dishes. I even had to clean my own bathroom...Yuck! I don't have time to meet new friends because I have to spend so much time cleaning my apartment, not to mention shopping for groceries. I have an 8:00 class, and searching for a commuter parking space is a big headache. If I lived on campus, I



could just walk to class. My roommate has left Greenville and I'm stuck with the rent. Now, it also looks like I will have to find someone to sublet my apartment because I won't be in Greenville during the summer. Man, did I goof by not choosing to live on campus. I am so embarrassed.

I will definitely sign up to live on campus next year! I hope to see you at Sweetheart's in Todd Dining Hall the week of February 17-21. Don't make the mistake of living off campus like I did!

You don't want to end up being embarrassed like poor Rob here? Do you? He decided not to live on campus and look what he had to put up with.

PRICE COMPARISON BETWEEN ON AND OFF CAMPUS LIVING

COST COMPARISON	ON CAMPUS-double room w/o air per person	OFF CAMPUS-One bedroom apt. living alone per person	OFF CAMPUS-Two bedroom w/ 1 roommate per person	OFF CAMPUS-Three bedroom w/ 2 roommates per person
RENT	\$1780 for 9 months	\$ 3480 for 12 months	\$ 2460 for 12 months	\$2,300 for 12 months
UTILITIES	Included	\$700 for 12 months	\$610 for 12 months	\$600 for 12 months
UTILITY HOOK UP	Included	\$100	\$50	\$33
PHONE (long distance excluded)	Included	\$ 420 for 12 months	\$210 for 12 months	\$140 for 12 months
PHONE HOOK UP	Included	\$100	\$50	\$33
DEPOSIT	Included	\$320	\$205	\$192
CABLE	Included	\$418 for 12 months	\$209 for 12 months	\$140 for 12 months
CABLE HOOK UP (including HBO 1, 2, & 3)	Included	\$20	\$13	\$20
TOTAL PER PERSON	\$198/month	\$463/month	\$317/month	\$288/month

(Based on listing of off-campus housing prices and survey of off-campus students)

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