

University employees march for justice

MLK Day starts campaign for labor

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ASSISTANT NEWS EDITOR

Some ECU employees and other citizens of Greenville observed Martin Luther King, Jr.'s birthday with a march and a call for justice, respect, a living wage, and no privatizing and downsizing.

Tempie Streeter said, "Because we're overworked and harassed. We're treated more like slaves than anything else."

Streeter is an ECU housekeeper and a member of the steering committee of U.E. (United Electrical) local 150.

Streeter cited examples such as housekeepers required to clean the dorm bathrooms of the opposite sex.

"Women are cleaning men's bathrooms. Well, we can't blame the students because they have to go into the room. But there are enough men to do the men's area,

enough women to do — would you like for your husband to be in there cleaning the women's bathroom?" Streeter said.

The group was comprised of workers not only from ECU, but also other organizations in Greenville.

"We're from the town, the churches, other workers from different departments, all over Greenville," Streeter said.

One member of the march who was not a member of the housekeepers said he had many of the same reasons for marching.

"As all state employees, we're facing both downsizing, which is cutting down on staff, and also privatization," Don Cavellini said.

Cavellini is a member of and organizer for the N.C. Public Service Worker's Union, U.E. local 150. ECU housekeepers are a part of this organization because, according to Cavellini, it is very difficult to start a union in North Carolina. U.E. provides the support the ECU housekeepers need.

While the marching group passed in front of Joyner Library, a police car pulled up for a few moments and spoke to a member of the group.

According to Johnnie Umphlet,

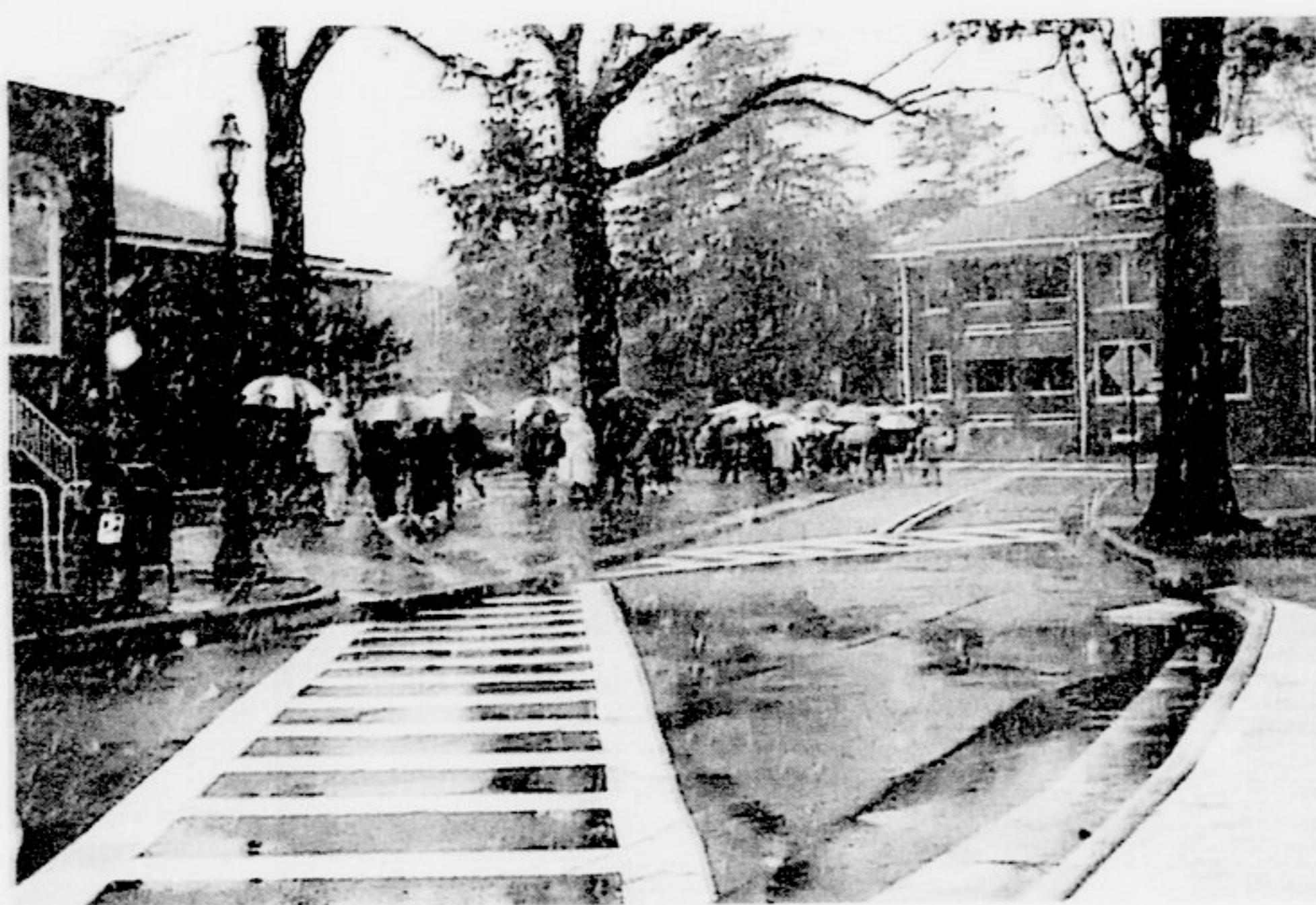
ECU Police captain, the police car was there only to inquire about when the group would get back on their scheduled parade route.

"Before you can have a parade or march, you have to get a permit from Greenville," Umphlet said.

Umphlet said the permit application process requires information such as where the march or parade will be traveling, so that

the police can have the manpower on hand to direct traffic and see that everyone is kept safe.

"They were supposed to march across campus, and they deviated from the parade route," Umphlet



University employees marched across campus expressing the discrimination they feel from the university while the snow fell on Martin Luther King Day.

PHOTO BY AMANDA AUSTIN

The march on Martin Luther King Jr.'s birthday marks the start of the Martin Luther King Support for Labor Campaign, which will come to a close on the anniversary of King's death in April.

"Dr. King's legacy, his unfinished business, was economic justice — not just civil rights. And that is still unfinished now," Cavellini said.

Endowment provides for prospective teachers in School of Education

Harvey family gives \$500,000 to support teaching initiatives

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STAFF WRITER

The Harvey family, from Kinston, recently created an endowment of \$500,000 to support research and teaching initiatives in the School of Education.

"Our family has been very concerned about the lack of the variety of skills necessary among new teachers to teach basic reading to all students," Margaret Blount Harvey, a family member who is also a member of the State Board of Education said. "East Carolina's School of Education has been a national leader in reforming teacher training, and we thought it was the right place for our investment."

"Reading is critical to success in the educational process," said Leigh Harvey McNairy, a member of the Lenoir County Board of Education. "Expanding the training of teachers in this vital area is one of the most important elements leading to successful students and successful schools. We have been delighted by East Carolina's response to our concepts and look forward to working with them as this gift begins to make a real impact on the teaching of reading throughout our state and nation."

Chancellor Richard Eakin is very thankful for the Harvey family and excited about seeing the School of Education prosper further.

"We are indebted to the Harvey family for their confidence and their generosity," said Eakin. "This gift will enable our award-winning School of Education to continue its initiatives to better understand the dynamics of reading and to make sure teachers are better prepared to help every child succeed as a competent reader."

"Mrs. Harvey wants to see an emphasis on phonics as one resource," said Emmet Floyd, interim dean of the School of Education and assistant to the chancellor for constituent relations.

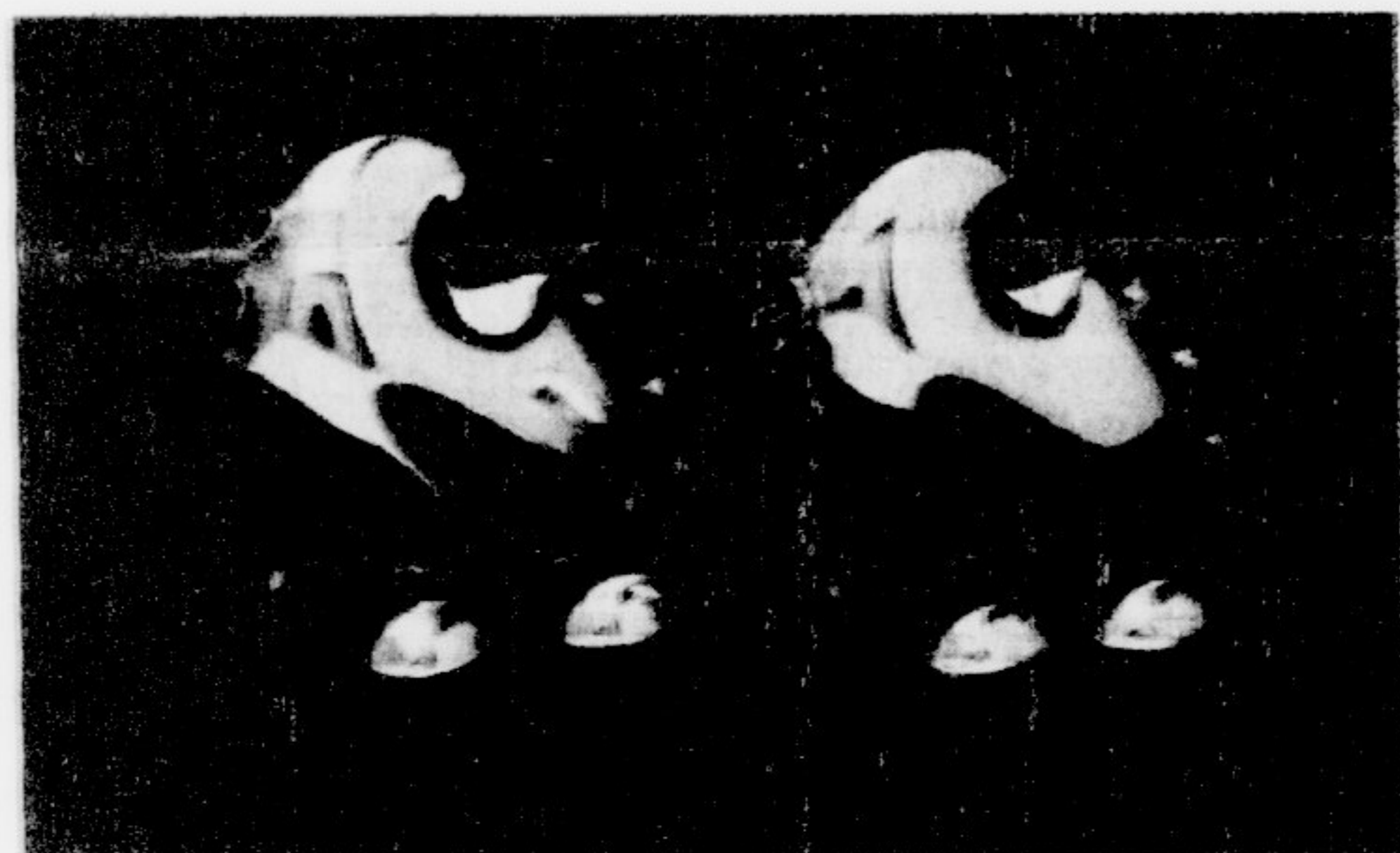
Phonics is a teaching method that makes students sound out words in order to read them.

Floyd said a phonics teaching program has been at Teacher's Memorial School in Kinston. It impressed Mrs. Harvey and now she wants to expand the program throughout the state. Floyd says she recognizes the fact that current teachers cannot be retrained, but she wants future teachers at ECU to get exposure to the program.

"The goals for the phonics programs are to improve the way it is taught and get more of it in the public schools," Floyd said.

"We did not choose East Carolina because of its national reputation, although we value its prominence," Mrs. Harvey said. "We chose East Carolina because of its influence throughout eastern North Carolina. It touches the lives of our families and the families of our friends. We are confident this investment will be used by the School of Education to improve the quality of life for the children of each new generation."

Two graduate students nominated for NICHE awards



These salt and pepper shakers were chosen partly because of the wheels added to them.

PHOTO COURTESY OF JANNA GREGONIS

Over 200 entries, 63 finalists, 12 winners recognized in Spring NICHE issue

NATASHA PHILLIPS
STAFF WRITER

The 1998 NICHE Student Awards honor superb artistic talent, and this year two of our own students.

There were over 200 entries, but only 63 were chosen as finalists.

Two of the selected nominees are ECU graduate students, Janna Gregonis and Felicia Szorad are both finalists in the Non-wearable Metal category.

According to a news release, "The winner will be announced on February 15, 1998, at a ceremony in the Pennsylvania Convention Center, held in conjunction with the Philadelphia Buyers Market of American Craft."

"Generally about 10 or 15 of the student finalists attend the ceremony," said Linda McCormick, marketing director for The Rosen Group. "We actually weren't expecting much of a turnout and the first year (and) were surprised by about six or seven of them filing onto the stage when their names were announced. As of

this date, 36 finalists are sending their work to be exhibited at the special NICHE display during the Buyers Market of American Craft in Philadelphia."

Gregonis and Szorad are both tentatively planning to attend the February ceremony.

Judging criteria are determined by the following three elements: the visual effectiveness of the student's submitted slides, the artwork's ability to grab and maintain the viewer's attention and the potential selling capacity of the student's artistic depiction.

"I believe that my art, Jotta, was chosen because it's out of the ordinary and has a modern feel to it," Gregonis said. "I made something unexceptional into something playful and fun."

Gregonis added wheels to her salt and pepper shakers to create a connection of amusement and urgency; however, Szorad chose to depict an image of personalization.

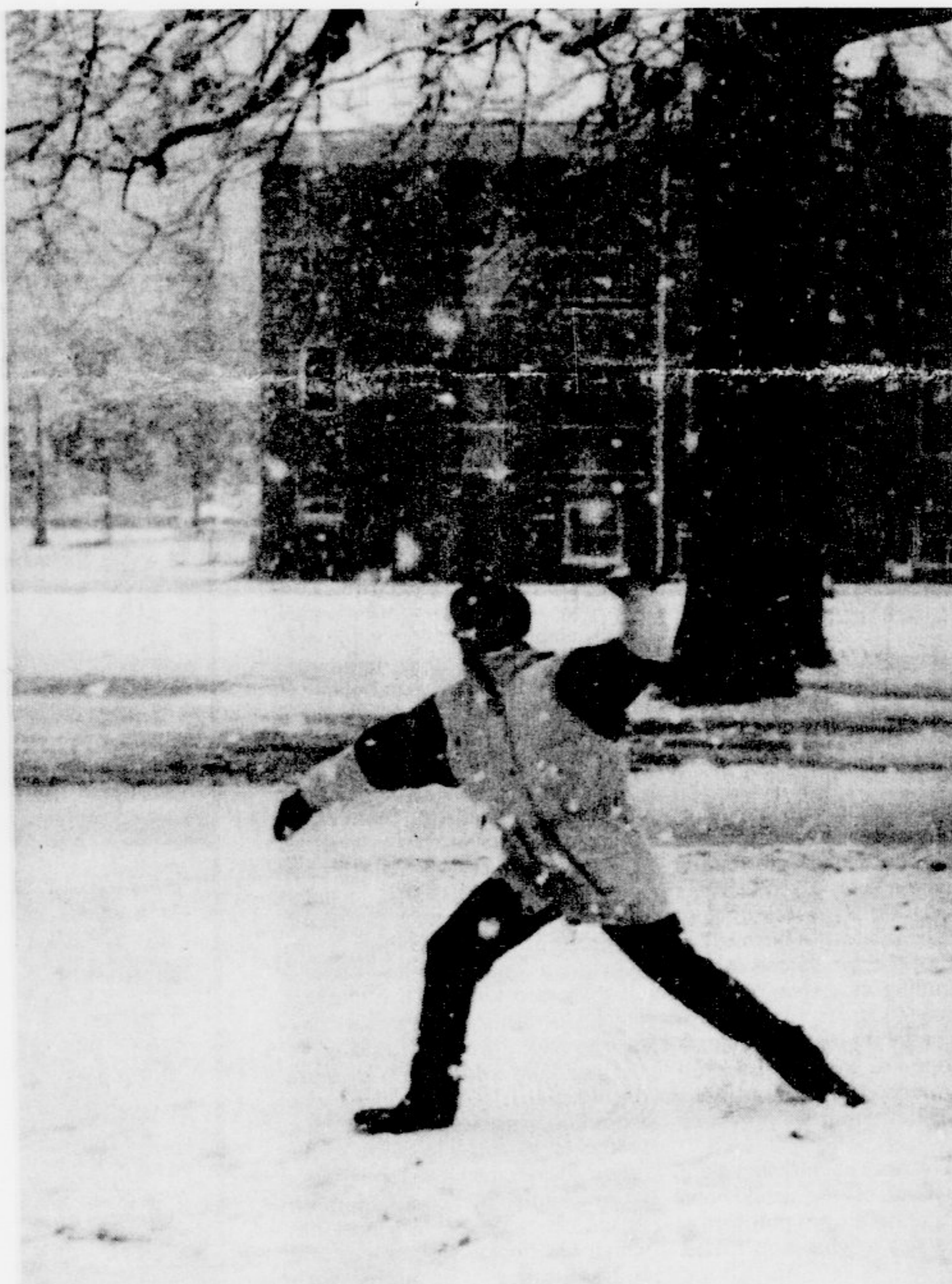
"My art, Bit Hip Twist, is a small 3-dimensional figurative piece," Szorad said. "In my opinion, the subject matter is the strongest and most significant attribute. It's a personal statement about how I feel being female."

The NICHE Student Awards will give every nominee the opportunity to display their work; however, only 12 winning entries will be recognized in the Spring issue of NICHE magazine.

This is Gregonis' second year as a finalist, yet she remains extremely excited and honored by the nomination.

"If I win, I'll be extremely happy; however, if I lose, I'll still enter again next year," said

Let it snow...



A student enjoys the unexpected snow that fell all over campus early Monday afternoon after a long, cold and wet morning. Students engaging in snowball fights could be seen all across the campus while the snow could still be enjoyed.

PHOTO BY JONATHAN GREEN

Gregonis. "I've been given the opportunity to participate in a national show, which is an excellent source of publicity. It helps me get my name out there."

"Whether or not you are a winner, this is a wonderful opportunity for individuals to gain exposure for their work both at the Buyers Market of American Craft and in NICHE magazine," McCormick said.

The NICHE Student Awards is an inclusive program. Both Americans and Canadians from approximately 350 schools are

encouraged to enter the competition.

"This competition supports mental work students; it celebrates young artists," Szorad said.

The 1999 NICHE Student Awards application is available by contacting NICHE Magazine, 3000 Chestnut Ave., Suite 304, Baltimore, MD 21211, telephone (410) 889-2933, fax (410) 889-1320, or e-mail (student.niche@rosengrp.com). The entry deadline is Nov. 2, 1998.

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Two killed in massive accident on I-95

LUMBERTON (AP) — Jeff Stoeckel compared the Interstate 95 collision he saw to the horrors he experienced a generation ago in Vietnam.

I served in Vietnam, and it looked like a bomb went off, he said. The flames must have been 40 feet high.

It started when a pickup truck collided head-on with a tractor-trailer Friday afternoon, killing the two drivers and injuring four other people.

Community colleges expect surge of elderly students

RALEIGH (AP) — The state's community colleges should prepare for a surge in students aged 65 or older as North Carolina's elderly population grows, education officials were told at a conference here.

If we have an aging population, hopefully, we would be prepared, Lt. Gov. Dennis Wicker said at the Futures Conference, organized to examine issues facing community colleges. Wicker is president of the N.C. Board of Community Colleges.

Police arrest net over 11 arrests after investigation

AIKEN, S.C. (AP) — An undercover investigation into illegal cellular telephone use has caught at least 11 people in the Aiken area.

The Aiken Public Safety Department arrested 10 South Carolina men and a Florida man on a total of 74 charges ranging from avoiding payment of telecommunications services to cocaine trafficking.

Students killed in car accident

CARLOCK, Ill. (AP) — Two college roommates from Cambridge were killed when their car plunged down an embankment along Interstate 74 in central Illinois.

Michael Crappell and Matthew Moriarty, both 21, were juniors at Illinois State University in Normal.

IR Defense Ministry acts on Saddam's call to mobilize Iraqis

BAGHDAD, Iraq (AP) — Chief U.N. inspector Richard Butler arrived in Baghdad on Monday in a new attempt to convince the Iraqi leadership to allow his weapons teams to do their work. I think it's going to be very difficult, Butler said in Bahrain before leaving for his 3-day visit.

He also rejected the weekend statement by Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein saying that the inspectors would have to complete their work by May 20, a deadline set by Iraq's rubber-stamp National Assembly last November.

You cannot have an arbitrary deadline, Butler said.

Buses collide head-on; 10 dead, dozens hurt

ISLAMABAD, Pakistan (AP) — Two passenger buses collided head-on on Sunday killing 10 people and injuring dozens more, the Associated Press of Pakistan reported.

The accident occurred near Gujjar Khan, barely 50 kilometers (30 miles) from the federal capital.

It's not clear how the accident occurred but police said they were investigating. Fatal accidents on Pakistan's congested rural roads are numerous. The government has started a safe-driving campaign with advertisements in newspapers asking people to observe basic safety rules, like signaling to pass and wearing seat belts.

Cybercafe brings technology to mealtime

Soup, sandwich, internet served together in comfort

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The age of technology just got a little more comfortable with the opening of CyberZac's Cafe.

This new cafe offers several pool tables, computer games, and an all-day sandwich menu. CyberZac's also carries the perks of a computerized office layout for those who need access to computer technology.

"I got the idea while surfing the net," said Dianne Barrow, owner of CyberZac's Cafe. "There are a lot of cybercafes out west, especially in California. Then I started thinking that we needed one here in Greenville."

The "cyber" part of CyberZac's Cafe includes a wide variety of technological peripherals for customers to use at an hourly rate of \$5. Each of the three computers is enclosed in its own room, with its own printer. In addition to basic internet and computing options, customers can use a scanner, choose from 150 computer games and "Thrustmaster," a steering wheel and gas pedal for driving games.

"Quake 2, Jedi Knight, and Red Alert, are some of our most popular games," Barrow said. "People can download game demos or do research in the Library of Congress."

Other office based options of CyberZac's Cafe include copying (black and white and color), laminating, binding services and computer classes.

"We always have someone here to help customers with the computers," Barrow said. Barrow is also the instructor for the two computer

classes that the cafe offers. The Basic class costs \$35 and meets for eight sessions. In this class, students should learn how to handle files, scan and troubleshoot, by allowing the student to get acquainted with their computer through hands-on experience and not through a textbook. Barrow's second class is designed to help people create their own web page. This class lasts for four meetings and is only \$25.

On the "cafe" side of CyberZac's, customers can sit down at a table or the lunch counter and order from a variety of burgers, soups and cappuccinos. All desserts and soups are homemade and lemonade is squeezed fresh for each glass ordered.

"Our soups are our most popular menu item," Barrow said. "We made some Cajun Bean soup and it sold out in no time."

In addition to their soups and sandwiches, which all fall under \$5, CyberZac's Cafe offers three domestic beers on tap and a selection of wine by the glass.

For those not ready to embrace the technological age, CyberZac's Cafe offers billiard tables, a jukebox, and a snooker table. Snooker is a game in the billiard family, played on a larger table with smaller balls. "The game came from England and used to be popular in Greenville a few years ago," Barrow said. "It faded out but I wanted to bring it back. The game brings a little nostalgia."

Barrow urges ECU students to give the cafe a try. Any student who enters CyberZac's and asks for a discount card will receive one that gives them 10% off of computer time and food.

CyberZac's Cafe is open Monday-Friday from 8 a.m. until midnight, and from 11 a.m. until midnight on Saturday and Sunday.

Student leadership programs offer wide variety of workshops

New additions include Chancellor's Leadership Development Program

JENNIFER VICKERS
STAFF WRITER

Student Leadership Programs on campus offer a wide variety of free work shops and information for students interested in learning leadership skills necessary to survive college life and beyond.

"One of the programs that we are continuing this year is called The Interact Series, which is a series of eight drop-in work shops that are open to anyone," said Jim Sturm, director of the student leadership development programs at ECU.

A wide variety of workshops are offered. One of the workshops teaches creative programming. Sturm teaches a workshop called "An Idiot's Guide to Etiquette."

Some of the other workshops are called Success Stories, in which successful ECU Alumni speak about their experiences at ECU and how they got to where they are today. This year a college president and regional personnel manager for Wachovia are both coming to speak.

Two more sessions offered this semester are one with Dr. Matthews, vice chancellor of student life, and with Dean Spears, dean of students. The Success Stories and the latter two start at noon and include a free lunch.

"We try to make these meetings as simple as possible for students to meet successful alumni so they can do networking, meet people on campus, and learn," Sturm said. They are short

programs that students can get a lot out of.

The Chancellor's Leadership Program is one of the new additions this year. This program is available for only sophomores and juniors who were nominated by faculty and staff members.

"This is a professional preparation program. We talk about presenting yourself in the public, image management, ethics and professionalism. We teach these students how to do these things well, so that they'll be ready to go into a professional setting," Sturm said.

Student Leadership also provides a variety of other services.

"We are kind of the clearing house for student organizations," Sturm said. "We distribute all of the mail and information to these organizations." Any student who wishes to inquire about joining groups is welcome to come to his office, located at 109 Mendenhall.

In addition, Leadership Resource Library is available which has books, video tapes and audio tapes dealing with leadership.

"We also do specialized workshops for specific organizations. We try to do them as fun as possible, very rarely are you just sitting there getting lectured," Sturm said.

In the fall nationally-known speakers or companies come to ECU for a presentation. "We've had the Covey Institute do 'The Seven Habits of Highly Effective People,'" Sturm said. "We also have an Emerging Leaders Program for new incoming freshmen arriving in the fall. This basically helps them survive while at ECU."

A newsletter is put out each month, The Kaleidoscope, which focuses on different aspects of leadership. This newsletter is distributed to organizations, and is also available at the information desk at Mendenhall. "Our can do to get students to learn more about leadership, because the leadership experience you gain in college is one of the things that employers look for when hiring," Sturm said. "It makes people far more competitive when they come out of ECU with a list of five organizations that they had leadership roles in, or their resume. Being a member of any organization broadens your experience as a student."

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New budget may increase one key program, cut another

Program currently serves 945,000 students across country

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President Clinton this month

level of one million, the president said. The program currently serves about 945,000 students, according to congressional estimates.

The work study plan is "not just about increasing financial aid," Clinton said. "It's about increasing the circle of community service and the winner's circle of opportunity for the future."

White House officials have focused on the work study program as a way to help meet administration goals that all children read by third grade. Hundreds of colleges and universities have signed up to participate in this literacy effort, "America Reads" with help provided chiefly by work study students.

But enthusiasm for the work study increase was tempered by indications that the administration will propose cuts in Perkins Loans, the nation's oldest student loan program.

Higher education leaders say they fear the administration's 1999 budget will contain no new capital contributions for Perkins, a modestly funded program that some colleges rely on to supplement the larger student aid programs such as Pell Grants and

Stafford Loans.

Perkins is one of the three campus-based student aid programs, along with college work study and Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grants. Financial aid administrators use all three to design flexible aid packages that supplement the larger programs, officials said.

"The campus-based programs really work as a unit," said Jacqueline King, director of federal policy analysis for the American Council on Education. Since many students already work to earn money for college, work study often is not a viable option, while an extra loan through Perkins may fill a need."

"Work study doesn't help students if they're already working 25 hours a week," King said. With more students working, "financial aid administrators need flexibility to provide additional work, grant or loan assistance."

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Ourview

Respect your elders? What about the elders respecting their students for a change of pace?

While some members of ECU's faculty and staff demonstrate the utmost of courtesy and would bend over backwards to help out a student, the majority seem to care more about why they are here rather than why we are here.

For instance, a secretary operating a registration terminal on drop/add day slaps an "Out to Lunch" sign on the door after you wait patiently for 40 minutes in line. You are told to come back at 1:45, and it doesn't matter that you have to work for the rest of the afternoon.

And then there's the adviser you call twice a day for over a week who never returns your calls. You stop in to see when her office hours are and sure enough, there she is at her desk, sipping her coffee and reading the latest issue of *People* magazine.

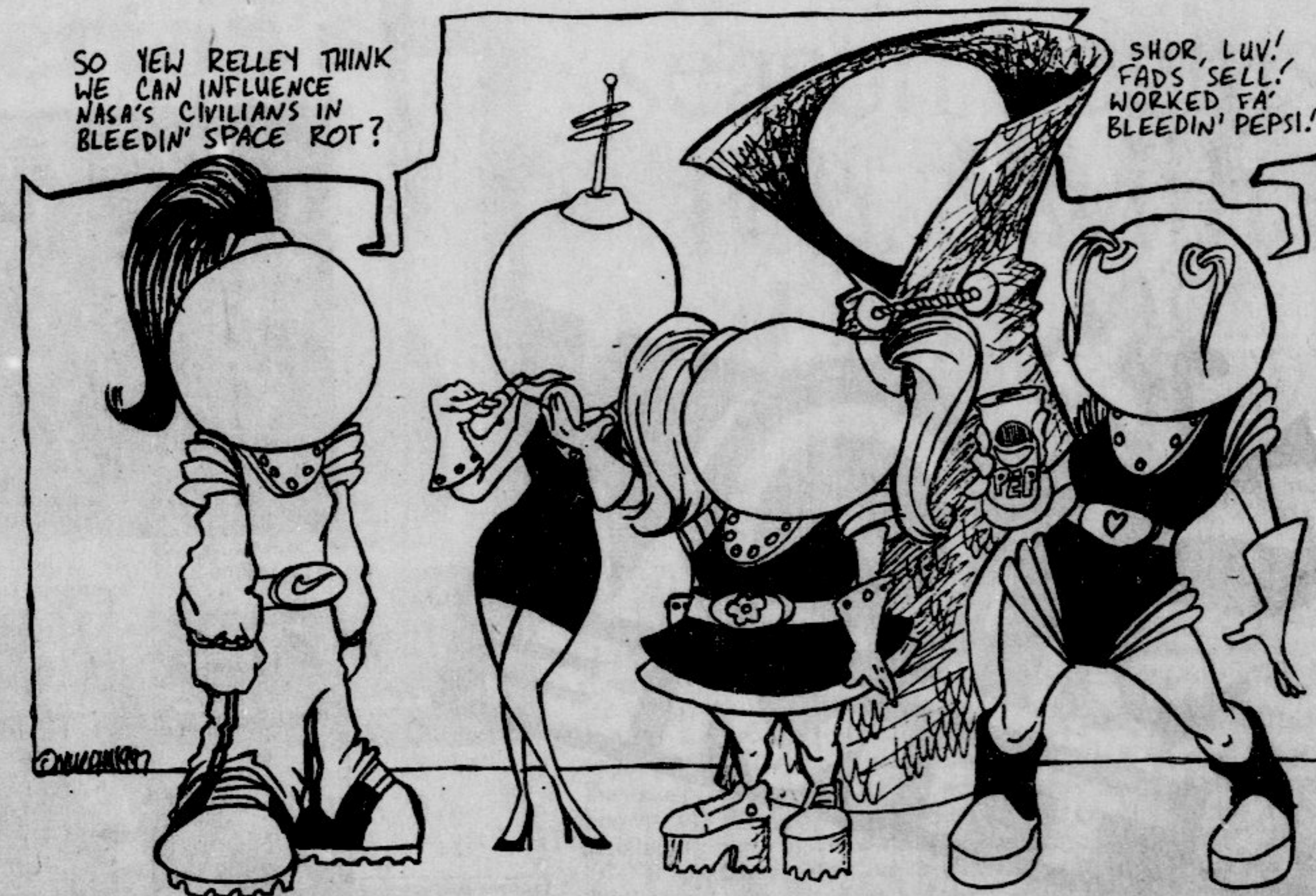
Then there's the teacher who refuses to hear your explanation for why you missed a math quiz. Little did he know that you were in a car accident and had to be rushed to the hospital for surgery. Now your A in the class has dropped to a B because of a situation you had absolutely no control over.

We all realize that ECU staff members are very busy. But it is time for the staff to realize that the students (in most cases) have just as many — if not more — things to do each day. Most are trying to juggle the 24 hours that go by each day to fit in class, work, meetings and studying.

The university faculty needs to realize that without students, there would be no East Carolina University. It is understandable that it would be impossible to please each and every person on campus, but asking for a little more respect is not asking too much.

Staff members need to listen to the students. Let students say what they need to say and then decide if their explanation is valid. Whatever happened to the concept of a compromise?

Students, in turn, need to be respectful to those to whom they are turning for help. Overly demanding and impatient students will find themselves getting nowhere, but those students who show respect should get some in return.



OPINION Columnist

William Stacey COCHRAN

Wolf issue has two strong sides

An endangered species to protect (less than 150 gray wolves live in the 2.2 million acre national park). Unfortunately, the law does not favor the wolves whose "experimental" status is more like probation.

In *Time*, Thomas France, senior counsel of the NWF, said of Judge Downes' verdict, "The decision defies common sense. It was an order to take ten steps backwards." And if followed through, the decision can only be seen as a reversal of what many consider one of the most successful reintroductions ever of a near-extinct species.

Gray wolves are not unaccustomed to controversy. For hundreds of years they have been the object of mankind's fear and hate. Hunted to near-extinction in the United States, a plan was set into motion in the early 1970s to reintroduce the gray wolf to Yellowstone's wildlife population. After 20 years of debate, 31 gray wolves were transported from northern Canada to the park.

Since then, the project has been a total success. The park's flooded population of moose, elk and coyote (caused by the wolves' extinction) was brought into balance. This

success trickled down to scavengers like ravens, magpies and grizzly bears, who feast on the wolves' leftovers. It seemed everything was returning to normal.

But wolves cannot be confined to park boundaries. Occasionally, stray wolves kill surrounding livestock and pose threats to ranchers. "There's always the stress of not knowing if wolves are in the area," said Vern Kellen, a local rancher. "It keeps us on the edge all the time."

And here is where Judge Downes passed his decision. He has ordered their "removal" (i.e. given any gun carrying fool the right to shoot the animals on sight) and protected them (i.e. gun carrying fools) from the Endangered Species Act which waffles on "experimental" near-extinct animals. Because the wolves are a reintroduction they are not protected by law. It sounds ludicrous, but this is what has happened.

For the time, the NWF has appealed the decision, but it will be a while before any positive action takes place. In the meantime, the 150 wolves will have to fend for themselves, which is not unusual for a species who has been struggling for hundreds of years to survive in the wake of mankind.

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Recently when District Judge William Downes decided for petitioners whose aim is to rid gray wolf populations near Yellowstone National Park, he incited a virtual maelstrom of appeals and criticism from the National Wildlife Federation and animal rights activists. However, either side of the issue is questionable because both have good cases.

Ranchers have livelihoods to think about. And the Federation has

OPINION Columnist

Keith COOPER

Humans need to love each other



...all members of the human race should love each other, open up their hearts and welcome diversity, and not rest until they wipe away a tear and simultaneously put a smile of good cheer on someone else's face this year.

During the Christmas season people around the world "shop until they drop." They buy numerous gifts to be placed under their evergreen tree beautifully decorated with ornaments, tinsel, and candy canes. Yet, while many jump with joy, smile with glee, and dance in merriment, millions of Americans go to bed hungry, feel depressed, experience tribulations, and do not have "visions of sugar plums dancing in their heads." However, many who have visions of sugar plums get sour grapes instead. All Americans should unite and make this nation and the world a brighter place for our neighbors around the globe.

The items on my New Year's list are key to spreading joy and cheer and putting smiles on faces throughout the world. My first request is for improved race relations in America. America, a house divided, can't endure too much longer beyond the new millennium unless she gets her house in order. I agree with Dr. Martin Luther King when he elucidated that people should be judged by the content of their character rather than by the color of their skin. When North Carolina, for example, continues to re-elect a narrow-minded person like Jesse Helms, that doesn't bode well for

either the South or the nation. In any event, every predominantly white university in this nation should resolve, in 1998, to make a course in race relations mandatory for all students and hence, a prerequisite for graduation.

My second request is for world peace. The United States government must learn to negotiate with countries regarded as terrorist organizations for too long. I agree with a famous quote made by the honorable President John F. Kennedy in 1961: "We should never negotiate out of fear; but let us never fear to negotiate." If Ronald Reagan had believed that, he wouldn't have sent bombs into Libya in 1986 to destroy the lives of innocent people like Hana, the adopted daughter of Libyan leader Muammar Qaddafi.

Iraq is another country believed to harbor terrorists. The U. S. government should work closely with Saddam Hussein to ameliorate relations between the two countries. George Bush pushed around the Iraqis during the Persian Gulf War. Instead of becoming aggressive or belligerent towards countries with a military capability a small fraction of ours, who should advocate peace. President William McKinley was right when he stated the following: "Peace is more preferable to war in any contingency."

Additionally, establishing close relations with countries like Iraq is key to opening new markets globally. New markets mean more jobs for America. Cuba has been isolated by the West for too long. Stringent sanctions against Cuba should be removed. Such sanctions are devastating to the impoverished citizens of the country. Harsh economic reprisals hurt the hungry, the elderly, and other disadvantaged groups in Cuba. Since the Cuban Missile Crisis of the Kennedy Administration, Cuba has been isolated from the West. I might add, shortly before Kennedy was assassinated, he had planned to re-establish diplomatic relations with Cuba.

My third gift request is for food to feed the millions of people who go to bed hungry in America and die of starvation internationally. Countries abundant in natural resources should share something with emaciated human beings hungry for the bread of life. After all, we should lend a hand of benevolence to those less fortunate than we throughout the entire year.

The fourth request is for a cure for cancer (i.e. breast, prostate) and other diseases robbing precious lives by the millions annually. If America can put a man on the moon, then finding a cure for deadly diseases is, as President Kennedy predicted, within her reach as well. Brilliant minds from around America and the world can come together and move an avalanche of despair and welcome mountains of hope. Indeed, thanks to the sophistication and quality of our technological innovation, we, with God's help, can conquer disease.

Lastly, my fifth request is for more love for humanity. This love is manifested when someone stops to help a stranded motorist having car problems along a lonesome highway. Such love is woven into the fabric of a government concerned about advancing the social welfare of its people. When people unconditionally volunteer their time to help someone in need or consistently contribute to charitable organizations, they show love.

In a nutshell, improving race relations should be a top priority of a country concerned about building a brighter future for its family. White supremacy must be killed and buried. Promoting world peace and helping the hungry help themselves are a moral obligation of ours. Additionally, working painstakingly to find a cure for cancer is an honorable pursuit. Finally, all members of the human race should love each other, open up their hearts and welcome diversity, and not rest until they wipe away a tear and simultaneously put a smile of good cheer on someone else's face this year.

OPINION Columnist

John DAVIS

Remember Dr. King's dream

Complaining makes for easy writing. (Even at this moment, yours truly is complaining about complaining.)

America gets a lot of low blows lately in this round robin of "what's wrong with the world." America was colonized (bad word) by Europeans (bad word) and that pretty much gets our great nation off on the wrong foot. The rest is downhill from there: slavery, Manifest Destiny, the nuclear bomb, abortion, AIDS; our nation has contributed greatly to the honors of world history.

I'm certainly not going to deny our responsibility for the terrible things we've done. But our nation has produced quite a few damned awe-inspiring things as well. This week, we celebrated one such awesome instance: the life of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

It may sound odd to include Dr. King in America's contributions to the world, since he was, after all, fighting against 400 years of racism that was instituted by Americans. But think about it for a second. Dr. King wasn't born in Africa. He wasn't even involved in the "back to Africa" movement, which was prevalent in his time. Dr. King, an ordained minister in a Protestant church, educated in America, a product of American culture and history was a great man, perhaps (in my opinion, greater than any other man in American history) because he actually paid attention to his

American history. He remembered the words of the God he worshipped: "Love your neighbor as you love yourself." He remembered the words of our own Declaration of Independence: "All men are created equal." He remembered and took seriously what so many of us forget and take for granted: that this nation was founded on the idea that people can be trusted with freedom because they can choose to love each other, that the risk of a people missing that freedom is worth it if it means that we have the chance to be fully human.

Dr. King's dream was a grand dream, one not just of political equality or empowerment or entitlement, but one of love. The closing remarks of his famous "I Have A Dream" speech reveals this. He speaks of a place and time where all men gather together, white and black Protestant and Catholic, Jew and Gentile, to sing together the old spiritual hymn "Free at Last." It sounds improbable, but think about it. Dr. King was all too familiar with America's shortcomings. He wasn't in denial and he wasn't about to just let things be. But he did what so few other people do when they realize that America isn't a utopia and never can be: he dared to take Jesus Christ seriously; he dared to take Thomas Jefferson seriously; he dared to dream.

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Normally editorial columns are reserved for the cynical observations and complaints of editorial writers. With The East Carolinian specifically, much room is given over to complaints about campus events often than not, really not that important in the grand scheme of things. Even on a national scale, the media tends to focus on tragedies, political failings, wars, rumors of wars and all those wonderful human flaws which get ratings and sell newspapers.

Admittedly, it's much harder to write about more positive issues.

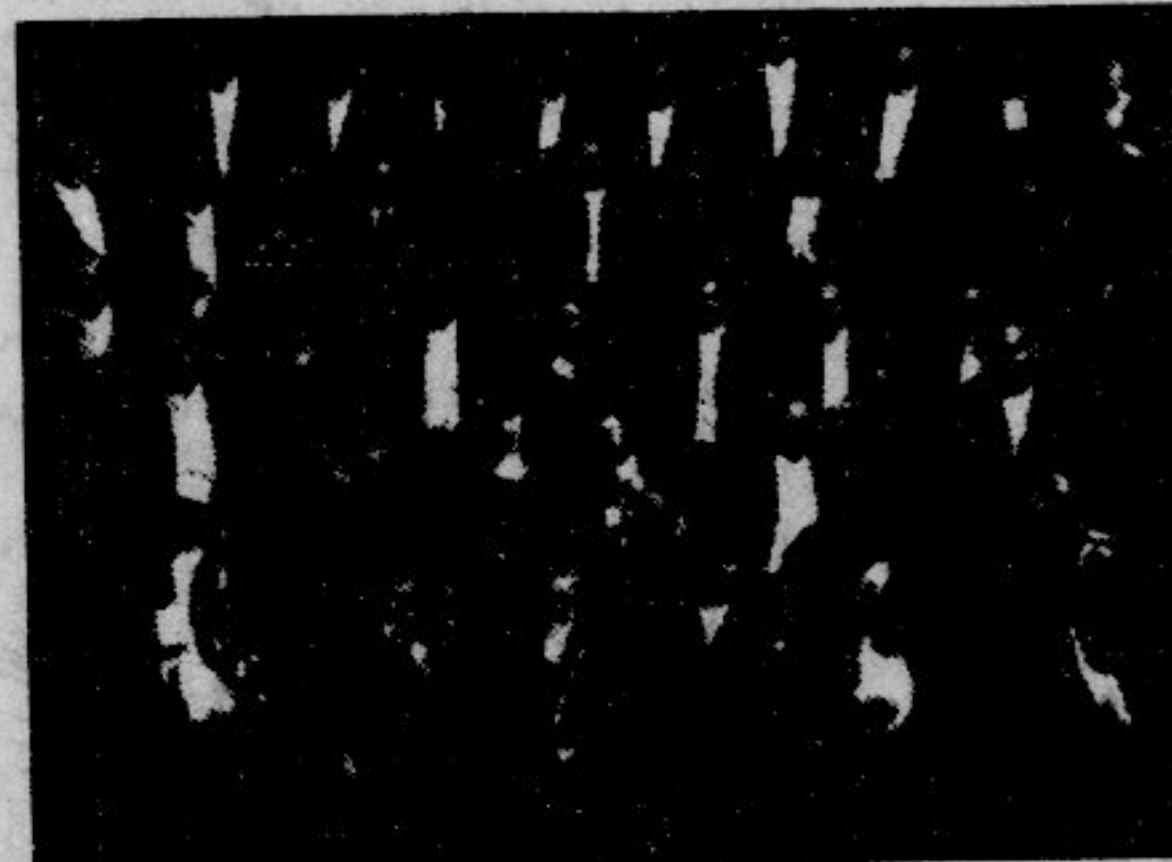
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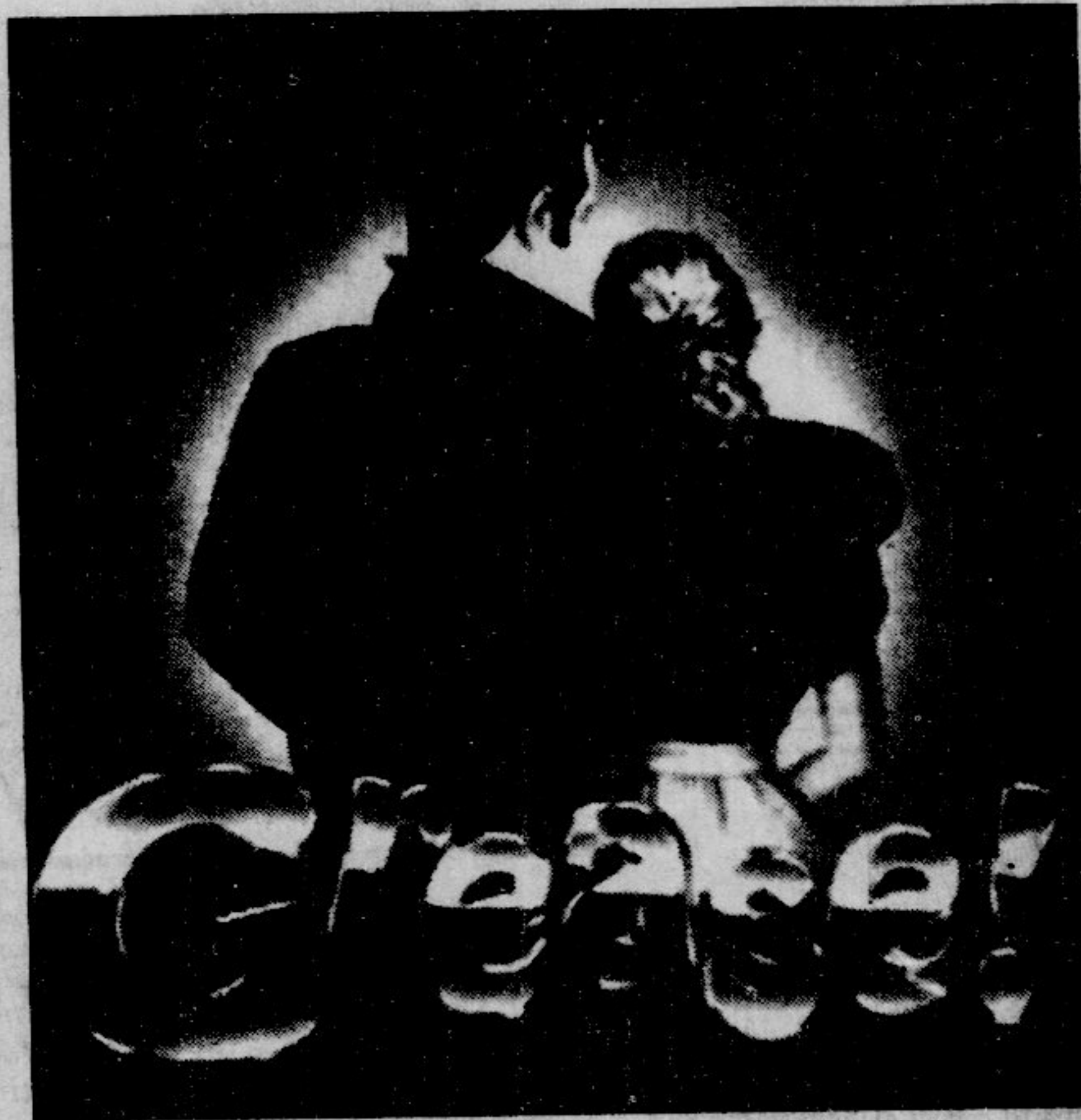
It's SHOW TIME



St. Paul Chamber Orchestra perform Jan. 27
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Kenard Lawrence visited campus last Thursday.
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Gresso comes to town Feb. 23.
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JANUARY

15 THURSDAY

Travel Adventure Film: *Across the Bering Sea—Nome to the Russian Far East* at 4 and 7:30 p.m. at Hendrix Theatre and theme dinner at 6 p.m. in Mendenhall Great Room
Fifth Element at 8 p.m. in Hendrix Theatre (through Jan. 17)

22 THURSDAY

International Enameling Symposium presentation and workshops at 7 p.m. in Jenkins Arts Center (through Jan. 25)
G.I. Jane at 8 p.m. in Hendrix Theatre (through Jan. 24)

27 TUESDAY

Performing Arts Series: St. Paul Chamber Orchestra, Hugh Wolf, conductor, and Emanuel Ax, piano, at 8 p.m. in Wright Auditorium

29 THURSDAY

Mimic at 8 p.m. in Hendrix Theater (through Jan. 31)



Georgian State Dance Company
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30 FRIDAY

Jazz at Night at 8 p.m. in Mendenhall Great Room

FEBRUARY

1 SUNDAY

Performing Arts Series: Georgian State Dance Company at 8 p.m. in Wright Auditorium

5 THURSDAY

Henry Pearson Retrospective Exhibition lecture and gallery reception at 7 p.m. in Wright Auditorium

East Carolina Playhouse: *Dance '98* at 8 p.m. in McGinnis Theatre (through Feb. 10 with 2 p.m. showtime on Feb. 8)

187 at 8 p.m. in Hendrix Theatre (through Feb. 7)

11 WEDNESDAY

Travel Adventure Film: *The Eastern and Oriental Express* at 4 and 7:30 p.m. in Hendrix Theatre with theme dinner at 6 p.m. in Mendenhall Great Room

12 THURSDAY

Nothing to Lose at 8 p.m. in Hendrix Theatre (through Feb. 14)

14 SATURDAY

Family Fare: *Lyle, Lyle, Crocodile* at 2 p.m. in Wright Auditorium

19 THURSDAY

Peacemaker at 8 p.m. in Hendrix Theatre (through Feb. 21)

20 FRIDAY

Jazz at Night at 8 p.m. in Mendenhall Great Room

21 SATURDAY

Performing Arts Series: Berlin Symphony Orchestra at 8 p.m. in Wright Auditorium

23 MONDAY

Performing Arts Series: Grease at 8 p.m. in Wright Auditorium

26 THURSDAY

Seven Years in Tibet at 8 p.m. in Hendrix Theatre (through Feb. 28)

28 SATURDAY

Black History Month Concert at 8 p.m. in Mendenhall Great Room

MARCH

4 WEDNESDAY

Travel-Adventure Film: *France—Boulevards and Byways* at 4 and 7:30 p.m. in Hendrix Theatre and theme dinner at 6 p.m. in Mendenhall Great Room

5 THURSDAY

East Carolina Playhouse: *Landscape of the Body* at 8 p.m. in McGinnis Theatre (through March 10 with 2 p.m. showtime on March 8)

In & Out at 8 p.m. in Hendrix Theatre (through March 7)

6 FRIDAY

Jazz at Night at 8 p.m. in Mendenhall Great Room

12 THURSDAY

School of Art Undergraduate Exhibition awards ceremony and gallery reception at 7 p.m. in Speight Auditorium (exhibition in Gray Gallery through April 15)

27 FRIDAY

Performing Arts Series: Yakov Kasman, Van Cliburn Silver Medalist at 8 p.m. in Wright Auditorium

30 MONDAY

Premiere Performance of Works by ECU Composers at 8 p.m. in A.J. Fletcher Recital Hall

APRIL

4 SATURDAY

Family Fare: *Laura Ingalls Wilder—Growing Up on the Prairie* at 2 p.m. in Wright Auditorium

13 MONDAY

Travel Adventure Film: *Cuba at the Crossroads* at 4 and 7:30 p.m. in Hendrix Theatre and theme dinner at 6 p.m. in Mendenhall Great Room

17 FRIDAY

Jazz Festival Gala Concert at 8 p.m. in Wright Auditorium

23 THURSDAY

East Carolina Playhouse: *A*



Yakov Kasman performs March 27.
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View from the Bridge at 8 p.m. in McGinnis Theatre (through April 28 with 2 p.m. showtime on April 26)

24 FRIDAY

School of Art Thesis Exhibition opening reception at 5 p.m. in Gray Gallery (exhibition through May 27)



The Berlin Symphony plays Feb. 21.
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CD review



Steve Earle
El Corazon
8 OUT OF 10
PAT REID
SENIOR WRITER

Playing music for a living is a risky lifestyle. No matter how good you may have it, things can turn rotten overnight and leave you on a street strumming your guitar for change. This has been the story for top artists like the New Kids and will surely be the future for acts like Hanson and the Spice Girls.

That's why it's so amazing that in an industry where quantity means more than quality an artist like Steve Earle has persevered. Earle sent Nashville reeling with his 1986 debut, *Guitar Town*. In the years that followed, his albums *Exit 0*, *Copperhead Road* and the amazing *The Hard Way* were all well-received by critics, but his fan base stayed small. Then Earle's drug addictions got the best of him. After not showing up for a court date, Earle was thrown in jail. It was there that Earle decided to turn things around.

After his short jail stint, Earle released his *Train A-Comin'* and released *I Fed Alright* on his new E-Squared record label. Both were hailed critically as they contained some of Earle's best work. Perhaps the most important aspect of *I Fed Alright* was the openness of the lyrics. In songs like "CCKMP"

(Cocaine cannot kill my pain) Earle painted a picture of how his life had been and where it was now headed.

After touring behind *Alright*, Earle went to work doing behind the scenes work with other E-

Squared artists. This included offering guidance to the V-Roys, as well as producing a record for Raleigh's own Six-String Drag. Finally Earle headed back into the studio on the other end of the microphone and came out with *El Corazon*.

On *Corazon*, Earle wrote and sang from the heart. The result is a deeper record that takes some time to digest. One fast listen brings

disappointment at the lack of songs along the vein of "Promise You Anything" or "More Than I Can Do." But a closer listen

the album is no surprise, as she also lend a hand on *Train A-Comin'*. She has also paid tribute to Earle by covering his song "Goodbye" on her recent *Wrecking Ball* album. However, the album also contains guest spots by artists like The Del McCoury Band, The Fairfield Four, The Supersuckers and Earle's own son. Such a diverse pool of talent yields an album that pulls from every musical genre.

For example, "Taneytown" (with Harris singing back-up) provides a dark story of times past. Telling the story of a mentally retarded black man in a racist society, "Taneytown" is an example of why Earle is hailed as an excellent songwriter by his peers.

This is in contrast to the bluegrass stylings of "I Still Carry You Around." Backed by The Del McCoury Band, Earle provides an upbeat little ditty to lighten the mood of the album.

The roots of *El Corazon* extend deep into the essence of rock and country. In fact, one listen to "NYC"

will have you defending Earle has a true alternative artist, while "Christmas in Washington" allows Earle to show his folkish balladeer talents. "Washington" also falls in with songs like "Billy Austin" and "Devil's Right Hand" as a political commentary.

El Corazon is one of those albums that cannot be summed up in a few words. The songs are raw with a stripped-down sound that gets in your face and makes you listen.

Despite being a more diverse record than any of Earle's past endeavors, it still flows and is listenable from beginning to end. Regardless of whether it sells 10 copies or 10 million copies it will forever be noted as one of his best albums ever by those who give it a listen.

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Spring theatre season begins Feb. 5 with Dance '98

STEPHANIE RUSSELL
STAFF WRITER

Fall semester is over, and most of us have managed to find Mendenhall, General Classroom, Joyner Library (hopefully) and downtown. Now see if you are up to the challenge and find McGinnis Theatre to experience The East Carolina Playhouse. These productions are known to be thought-provoking, intelligent, funny and moving. The '97-'98 season has lived up to the Playhouse reputation so far, and the spring line-up promises to be as exciting as the fall shows.

Launching the second half of the season, East Carolina's Dance Theatre presents their annual program of jazz, ballet, and contemporary dance pieces, *Dance '98*. Choreographed by faculty and guest artists and performed by the creme de la creme in the Department of Theatre and Dance's professional dance programs, *Dance '98* is a must see. Choreographers include: Joe Carrow, Dawn Clark, Patricia Pertation, Patti Weeks and visiting artist Jay Norman (who worked with the Summer Theatre in 1995 as director-choreographer of *West Side Story*). Dates of the production are Feb. 5-10.

Landscape of the Body, (PG13 for adult content) written by John Guare, delves into the dark side of modern life and the struggle for survival. When the body of 14-year-old Bert is found mutilated in New York City's Hudson River his mother becomes the prime suspect. The audience, witness to the murder investigation, is transported to a violent world of mugging, pornography, con artists and a transvestite named Raulita. Directed by John Sheerin, *Landscape* explores issues that confront us daily in today's world with "empathy, passion, and hard-nosed understanding of reality". The show runs March 5-10.

The Playhouse season closes with *A View From the Bridge* (PG for Mature themes), written by Arthur Miller. Under the direction of Cedric Winchell, this modern tragedy that explores the fury, obsession, and incestuous jealousy of Eddie Carbone. Set in Brooklyn in a working-class neighborhood, Eddie is entangled in a series of tragic events that are the result of promising to raise his orphaned niece as his own. When two illegal immigrants are harbored in the house and his niece finds love, Eddie must deal with emotions he does not understand, leading to a powerful and shocking climax. The season finale shows April 23-28.

Tickets are available individually or for the entire season and can be purchased at the box office in the lobby of McGinnis Theatre or by calling 328-1726. Prices for season passes are \$32-\$36 for faculty and staff and \$36-\$40 for the general public. Individual ticket prices (with the exception of tickets for admission to the musical) are as follows: \$5-6 for children and students, \$7-8 for faculty and staff, and \$8-9 for the public. All shows run Thursday through Tuesday at 8:00 p.m. and a Sunday matinee at 2:00 p.m. only. Support the arts at ECU and make plans to attend the shows of the '97-'98 East Carolina

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Roll back to the days of roller skates

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This is the column where we focus on the stuff we miss and the stuff we missed. We will examine the books, albums and television shows that we feel deserve further exploration. The stuff we dug back in the day...

MICCAH SMITH
SENIOR WRITER

It would appear that rollerblading as sport, hobby and obsession is the new wave of the future. I refuse to spend my time or money on it, possibly because the skates would require me to lurch around ungracefully like Frankenstein, possibly because they cost too damn much, what with kneepads and all, or possibly because of my undying love affair with roller skating.

It has been said that the human memory is best stimulated by a smell, a wafting of a long-forgotten scent under the nose that can transport a person years away in time and miles away in space.

The smell in question? Dust, electricity, adrenaline, a polished concrete floor, the scent of a room in which I spent much of my prepubescent life: the skating rink.

It didn't matter to me which rink I was at, as long as I could wear the pink lycra skate skirt my mom bought me at a pro shop, tie up my skates and get out on the floor, baby.

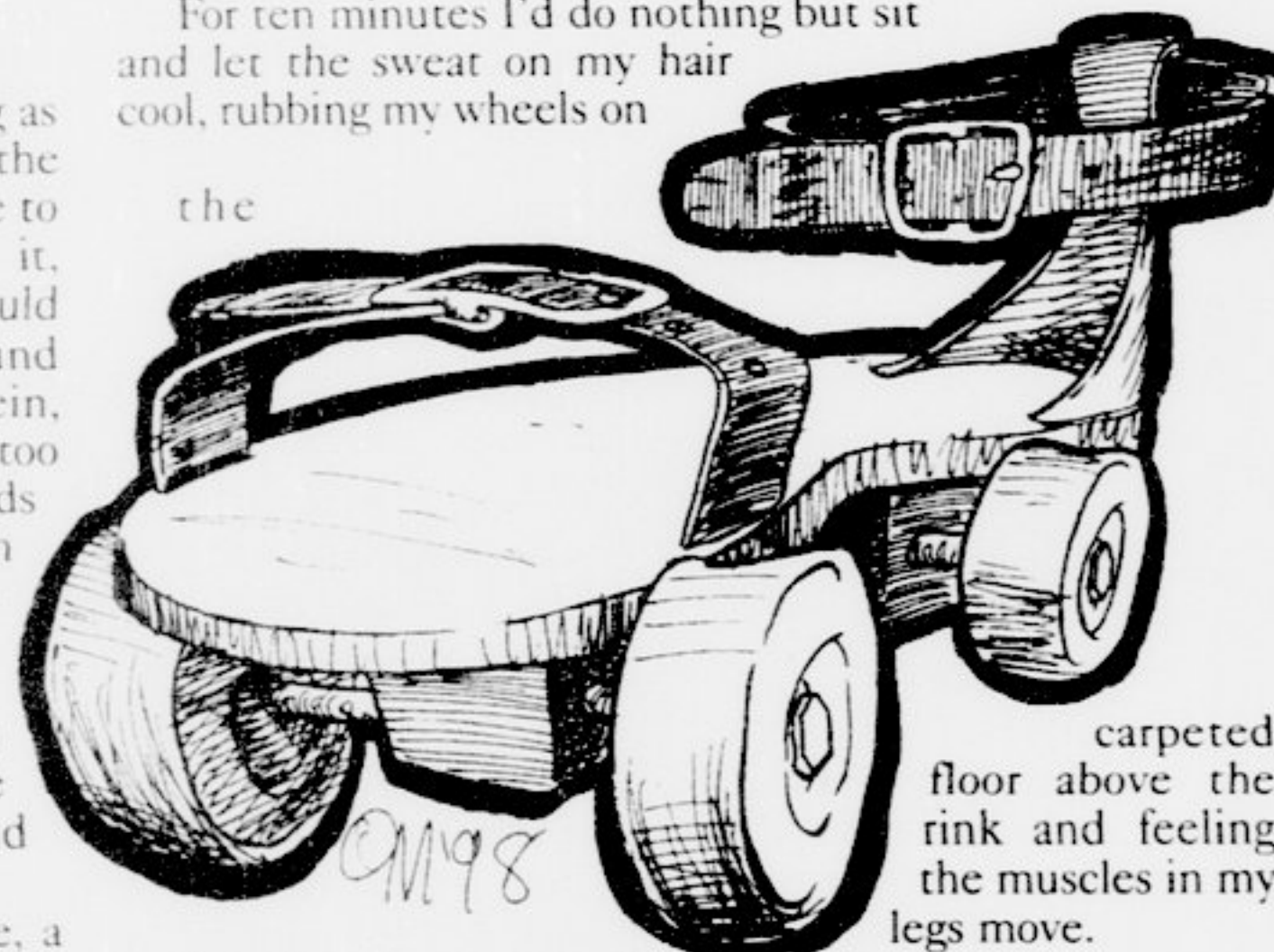
I can't be the only one of my generation to remember fondly the hypnotic swirl of a hundred bodies in one direction to the synthetic beats of Cyndi Lauper, Sheena Easton and Madonna, whose plastic voices urged our tired legs to go just one more lap, the little e-shaped reflections of light from the disco-ball that soothed us, bathed us in ultraviolet rays and liquefied our clumsy motions into something graceful.

Sometimes I would scrape and grasp the tall carpeted sides of the DJ's booth like a drowning man, heave myself from the mass of slowly circling bodies, all of whom were better skaters than I, and make a request, usually for "Freakazoid."

I'd try to keep my balance in line at the concessions stand, where I would go for a Coke, always in a small paper cup with a wax coating.

Those were the days, if you can remember, when carbonation was sweet and new and half-forbidden to our virgin mouths.

For ten minutes I'd do nothing but sit and let the sweat on my hair cool, rubbing my wheels on



carpeted floor above the rink and feeling the muscles in my legs move.

I spoke to no one. I rarely had friends accompany me but I never missed the humanity, preferring to be absorbed into the collective, pursuing the furtive goal of elation through rhythm, through pulse, through exhaustion.

Who remembers doing the Hokey-Pokey? And so at about closing time it was on with the house lights, off with the sweet seductive melodic penetration, out with the children, all of whom stood in a self-conscious circle, their legs protruding at various angles of balance and imbalance.

The silly music would begin, all of us throwing our skinny limbs about with as much gusto as tired children could, doing the Hokey-Pokey and turning ourselves around, because that's what it's all about.

I remember winning once and receiving, as a prize, another Coke.

Who else, besides me, remembers crawling into the backseat of the car, curling their legs up with their feet against the door, wearing ordinary shoes and feeling the funny ache of skatelessness before drifting off to sleep?

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Pirates post two strong wins

Men's basketball defeats Liberty, Richmond

TRACY M. LAUBACH
SPORTS EDITOR

The ECU men's basketball team has been on a home stretch for their past three games, two of which were Pirate wins. The last away game was played against CAA opponent James Madison University on Jan. 7 and sent the team home with a 90-60 victory as the Pirates shot 63 percent.

The first of the home games was against the Tribe of William and Mary on Jan. 10. Led by senior forward Raphael Edwards with 20 points and senior guard Tony Parham with 16, the Pirates put 63 points on the board while the Tribe posted 72 points to pick up their third conference win.

According to William and Mary's Head Coach Charlie Woolum, the Pirates are one of the strongest teams in the CAA. "Don't get down on ECU because, believe me, they are going to be right in the thick of the race," Woolum said. "That is why I am so pleased with this victory ... I think we beat one of the best teams in the league."

The Tribe ranks number one in conference standings and are undefeated at this point.

ECU Head Coach Joe Dooley said the team expected the game to be a tough one.

"We knew going in that there is a reason why William and Mary is the number one team," Dooley said. "We knew they were good and they played up to us as good as we thought they would."

ECU was at a disadvantage, with several key players on the bench with injuries. Alphon van Ierland broke his left hand at practice on Dec. 11, while Neil Punt broke his right foot during the Dec. 20 UNC Asheville game.

According to Dooley, having men on the bench is no excuse for the loss.

"We have played about five games without a full team, and we are not going to get them back for a while, so we may as well get used to it," Dooley said.

Senior center Dink Peters, who put 14 points on the board for the Pirates said that the high points of the game came in spurts, claiming that the game was a "war on the board."

"We can't hold our heads down. Every practice we are going to get better and keep giving it our all," Peters said. "As a team and a unit, we can't get frustrated and think that the season is over because there are a lot of games left to be played."

The Pirates took a break from conference play on Jan. 14 to meet Liberty University for the fourth time in the series history.

ECU controlled the game for half of the first period. At the 6:05 mark, Larry Jackson from Liberty went to the foul line for two good shots to give his team a lead that held through the half. ECU headed the locker room at halftime down by five points, 31-36.

"It seemed like in the first half, no matter what we did, they outmatched us with answering shots," Dooley said.

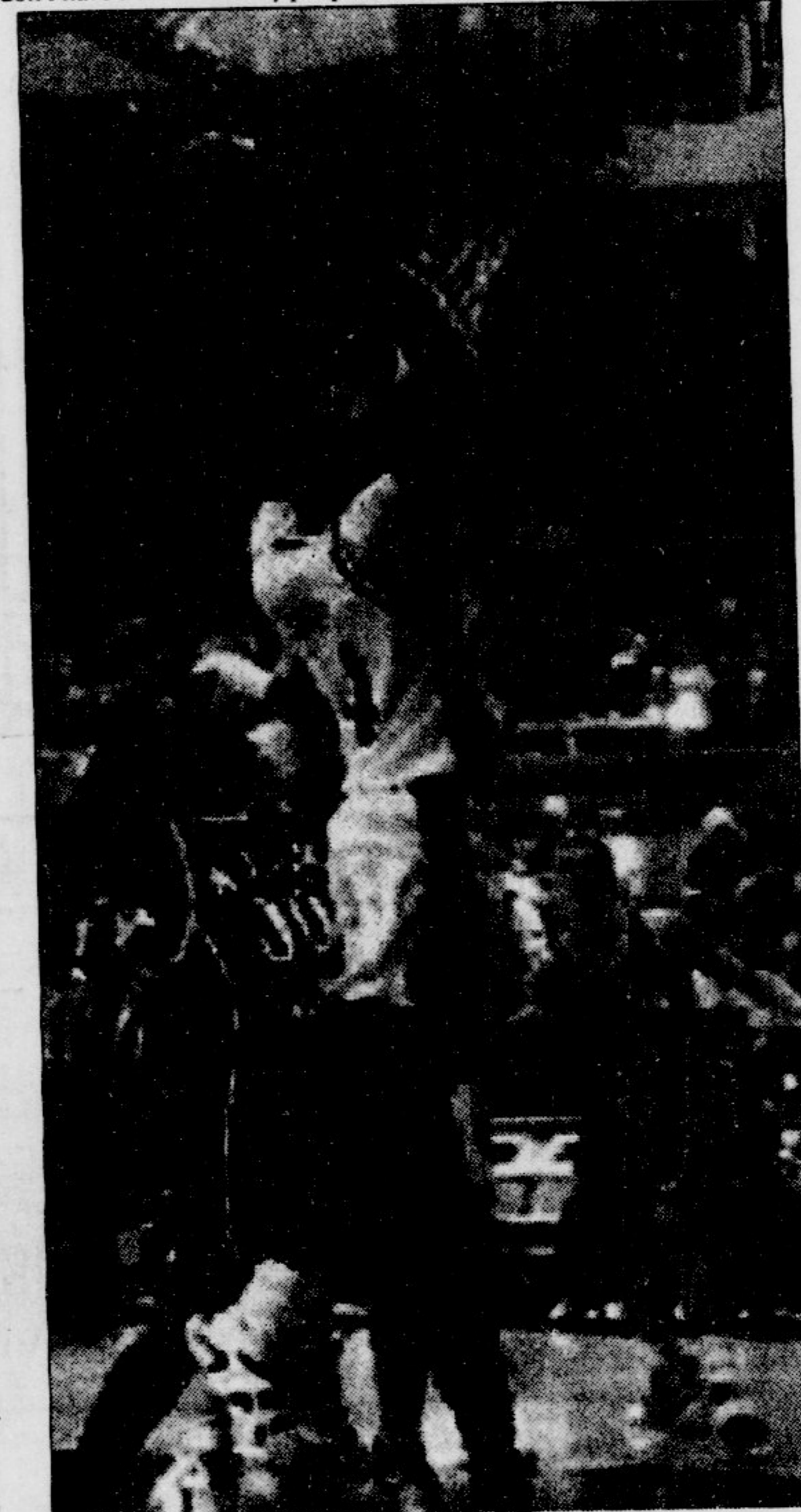
The second half was like a new ball game for the Pirates. Parham, who had been sitting the game out with an injured shoulder, stepped in to nail four three-pointers, the first coming with 15:46 on the clock. At the 12:27 mark, he sent in another one immediately followed by a three-pointer by Garrett Blackwelder. Blackwelder's shot gave the Pirates a one point lead to be held for the duration of the game.

Halfway through the second half, Peters went down with a strained calf muscle, thus adding another name to the roster of those injured on the team.

Even with Peters out, ECU won the game 74-63, shooting 49 percent from the floor and 60 percent from the line.

"I am very proud of the kids," Dooley said. "The effort has been good in practice so we have been trying to build on that. We have cut back on practices because we

don't have a lot of healthy people." Peters stayed on the bench, but



Steven Branch sends a ball to the net during the Pirate's 77-67 victory over Richmond, who ranks second in conference standings.

PHOTO BY JONATHAN GREEN

One never would have known by watching ECU in action against Richmond on Saturday, with 7-0 van Ierland back on the court for the first time in over a month, ECU was neck and neck

Men's Basketball Conference Standings

Team	Record
William and Mary	4-0
Richmond	3-1
UNC Wilmington	4-2
George Mason	3-2
Old Dominion	2-2
East Carolina	2-3
American	2-3
VA Commonwealth	1-3
James Madison	0-5

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with the second ranked conference Spiders through the entire first half.

"We had two really good days of practice and practice carried over to the game," Parham said. "We really went out there and competed tonight."

The Pirates dominated the court through most of the second half, taking over the lead at the 13:13 mark after being down at the half, 30-32. It was at that time Alico Dunk sent his first three-pointer to the net, only to send another one in less than one minute later. Meanwhile, good shots from the foul line, two slam dunks by van Ierland and the

sound of 4,698 cheering fans saw the Pirates through to a 77-67 victory.

"Better than any other time this season, we executed and played hard," Parham said. "Sometimes we execute but we don't play hard; other times we play hard, but we don't execute. Tonight, everything just came together for us."

The Pirates will be on the road Thursday for their first meeting of the season with conference opponent Virginia Commonwealth, who ranks one slot below ECU in conference standings. Tipoff is set for 7 p.m.

Lady Pirates drop three straight conference games

ECU struggles against CAA foes

TRACY M. LAUBACH
SPORTS EDITOR

The Lady Pirate basketball team handed over their third consecutive conference loss Friday in a home game against Virginia Commonwealth. The team now holds a 2-4 conference record and ranks seventh among CAA opponents.

The first in the series of losses came on Jan. 9 in a home game against Richmond, 54-57.

The Lady Pirates came out slow in the first half, putting only 16 points on the board by the end of the period. Meanwhile, the



Jen Moretz takes a shot during the VCU game.

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Head Coach Anne Donovan said, "The team came out much stronger in the second half to shorten the spread to a mere one point. Spider lead with 3:19 left of play, but fell three points short to end the game 54-57."

"Coming back the way we did gives you momentum," Donovan said. "It's the other team who is back on their heels, getting nervous and it's your team who has the adrenaline. That should have worked in our favor but we just could not play the entire game in 20 minutes."

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Track teams shine at Chapel Hill meet

Schedule kicks off for Pirates

STEPHEN SCHRAMM
SENIOR WRITER

For ECU's men's and women's track teams, the indoor meets that make up the beginning of their schedule offer a chance to gain experience and see how far they have to go to reach their ultimate goal. The earliest of these, The Joe Hilton UNC Invitational, was held last weekend in Chapel Hill.

The women's team came to Chapel Hill for their second meet of the season, but their first since returning from winter break.

"I didn't expect a lot in our first meet back from the holidays, but we practiced hard for three or four days before the meet," said women's Head Coach Charles "Choo" Justice.

The Pirates, rust and all, still managed some sparkling individual performances. Freshman Marshari Williams posted a time of 9.29 seconds in the 60 meter high hurdles and wound up sixth. Meanwhile, Missy Johnson soared to ninth in the triple jump and eighth in the long jump. She was bested in the latter by teammate Leana Anding, who finished sixth with a jump of 17 feet 7 inches.

However one of the most dramatic events of the day featured two Pirates in the shot put. Freshman Michelle Clayton finished fifth edging out the sixth place Crystal Frye by one centimeter.

"It was great. Michelle would throw and Crystal would match. Crystal would throw and Michelle would match. It was good-natured friendly competition," Justice said.

Last weekend's meet was the first meet this year for ECU's men's track team. If they were also

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Pirates at the Top

Women's

60 meter high hurdles
6. Marshari Williams, 9.29 seconds

Long Jump
6. Leana Anding, 17ft. 7 inches

Shot Put
5. Michelle Clayton, 11.16m

6. Crystal Frye, 11.15m

Men's

60 meter high hurdles
7. Vaughn Monroe, 6.74 seconds

8. Timmy Nuneley, 8.73

60 meter dash
2. Vaughn Monroe, 6.74 seconds

3. Timmy Nuneley, 8.86 seconds

8. Chris Justice, 6.94 seconds

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WOMEN'S BASKETBALL STATISTICS

PLAYER	RICHMOND		PPG VS. VCU
	ODU	VCU	
SHAY HAYES	10	2	2
DANIELLE MELVIN	11	12	12
JEN COX	5	11	11
MISTY HORNE	4	7	7
MELANIE HORNE	-	3	3
CHARLETTE GUTHRIE	6	-	-
JEN RICE	2	2	-
BETH JAYNES	6	1	13
JEN MORETZ	7	-	2

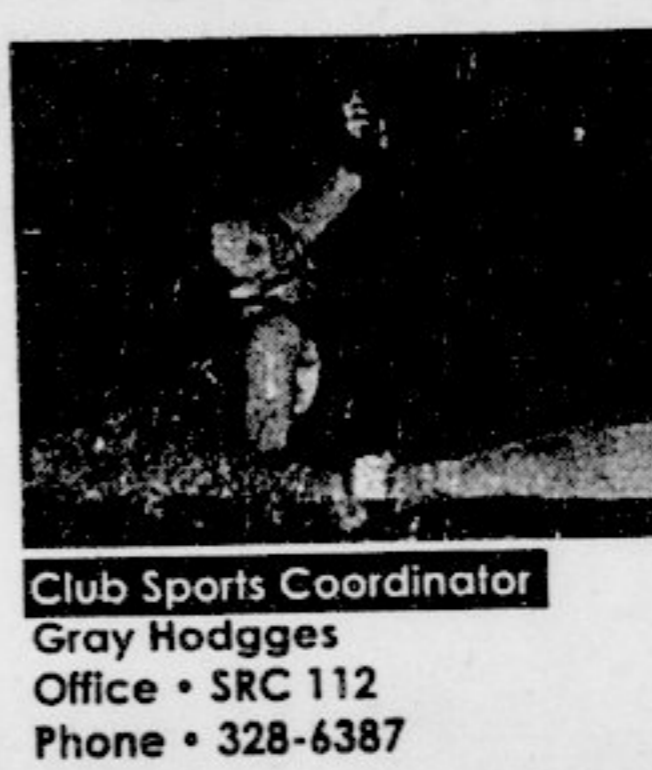
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behind, kept up with the Lady Rams throughout the entire game to come up just three points short in the end.

Beth Jaynes was the leader this time, putting 10 points on the board for ECU, while Danielle Melvin and Jen Cox also posted double digits, with 12 and 11 respectively.

What hurt the Lady Pirates the most were the shots missed from the foul line, as they shot only 4-8 in the first half and 4-9 in the second.

"There is no excuse to miss free throws," Donovan said. "We lack confidence when it comes to game time... lights are on, people are there, it's a different focus, and it shouldn't be. It's the same routine they do in practice."

Melvin said missed shots are from a lack of focus.

"We are all good free throw shooters," Melvin said. "Moving on after missing a shot is part of the game. You can't think about what you have missed because you've got to get it back and play defense."

Donovan was extremely pleased with the effort put in by the team, especially Jaynes and Melvin.

"Rebounding was outstanding and was led by Beth and Danielle," Donovan said. "They both did an outstanding job on the board on both ends of the floor. We have tried a number of techniques to build up confidence, but have seen no results yet."

The Lady Pirates next home game is scheduled for Sunday, Jan. 25. They will host UNC-Wilmington, who stands in last place in conference standings. Tipoff is set for 2 p.m.

Track

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rusty from the break, it didn't show. The Pirates blew into Chapel Hill refusing to be intimidated, not even by Olympi Gold. Rashawn Deans placed seventh in the 60 meter high hurdles with a time of 8:58. Behind Deans follow Pirate Tremayne Nunley managed an eighth place finish. ECU's Vaughn Monroe had a personal best time of 6:74 seconds in the 60 meter dash. In addition to earning second place, Monroe also beat

Olympic gold medal winning hurdler and Tarheel legend Allen Johnson. Fellow Pirates Titus Haysgood and Chris Justice finished only 2 seconds behind Monroe and placed seventh and eighth respectively.

The Pirates did not escape Chapel Hill unscathed. All-American sprinter James Alexander injured his leg and may miss up to four weeks.

Both the men's and women's teams will have another opportunity to measure their progress when they travel to Blacksburg for this weekend's Virginia Tech Invitational.

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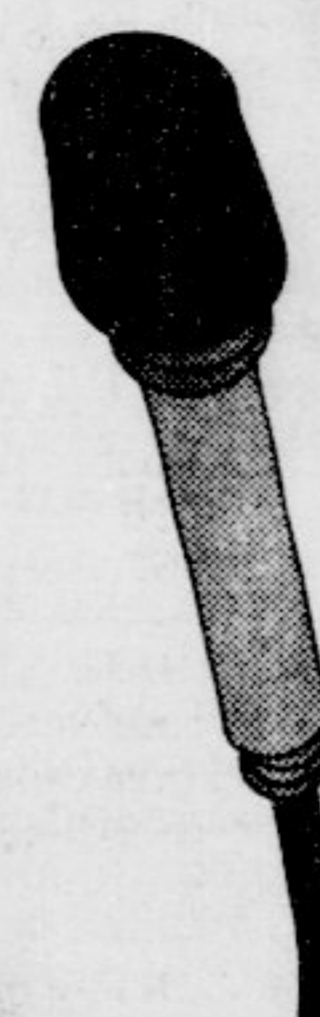
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THE STUDENT UNION is now accepting applications for Assistant to the President and chairpersons of the following committees for the 1998-99 term: Barfoot, Cultural Awareness, Films, Lectures, Marketing, Popular Entertainment, Special Events and Visual Arts. Applications can be picked up at the Student Union office in MSC 236. The deadline to apply is Wednesday, Feb. 4. For more information, contact the Student Union at 328-4715.

THE NEWMAN CATHOLIC STUDENT Center invites all students to worship with us. Sunday Masses: 11:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. at the Newman Center, 953 E. 10th Street, two houses from the Fletcher Music Bldg. For further information, call Fr. Paul Vaeth, 757-1991.

THE ECU POETRY FORUM will meet on Wednesday, January 21 in MSC room 248 at 8 p.m. The forum is open to the general public. Those wanting critical feedback on their work should bring 8-10 copies of each poem. Listeners welcome.

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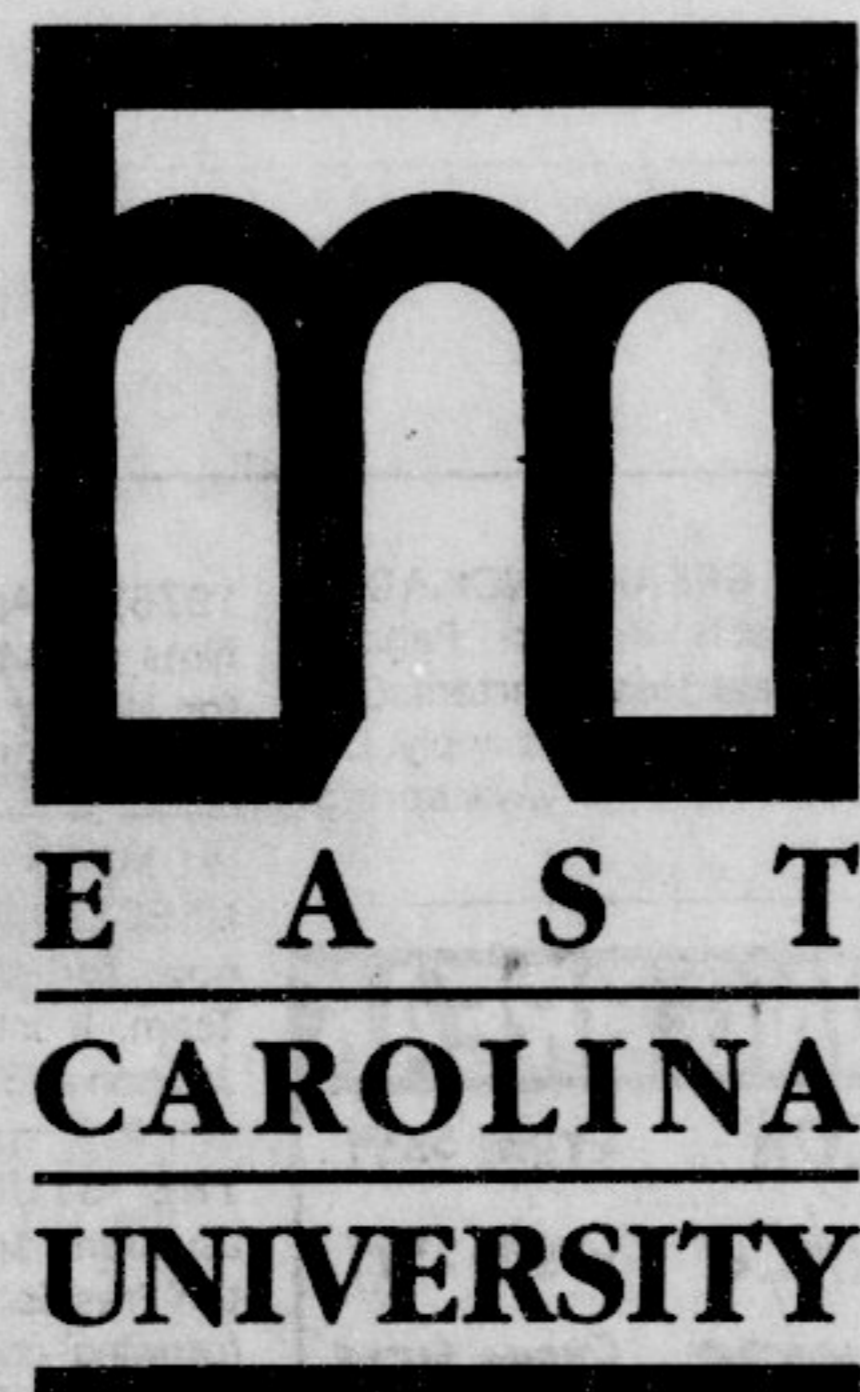
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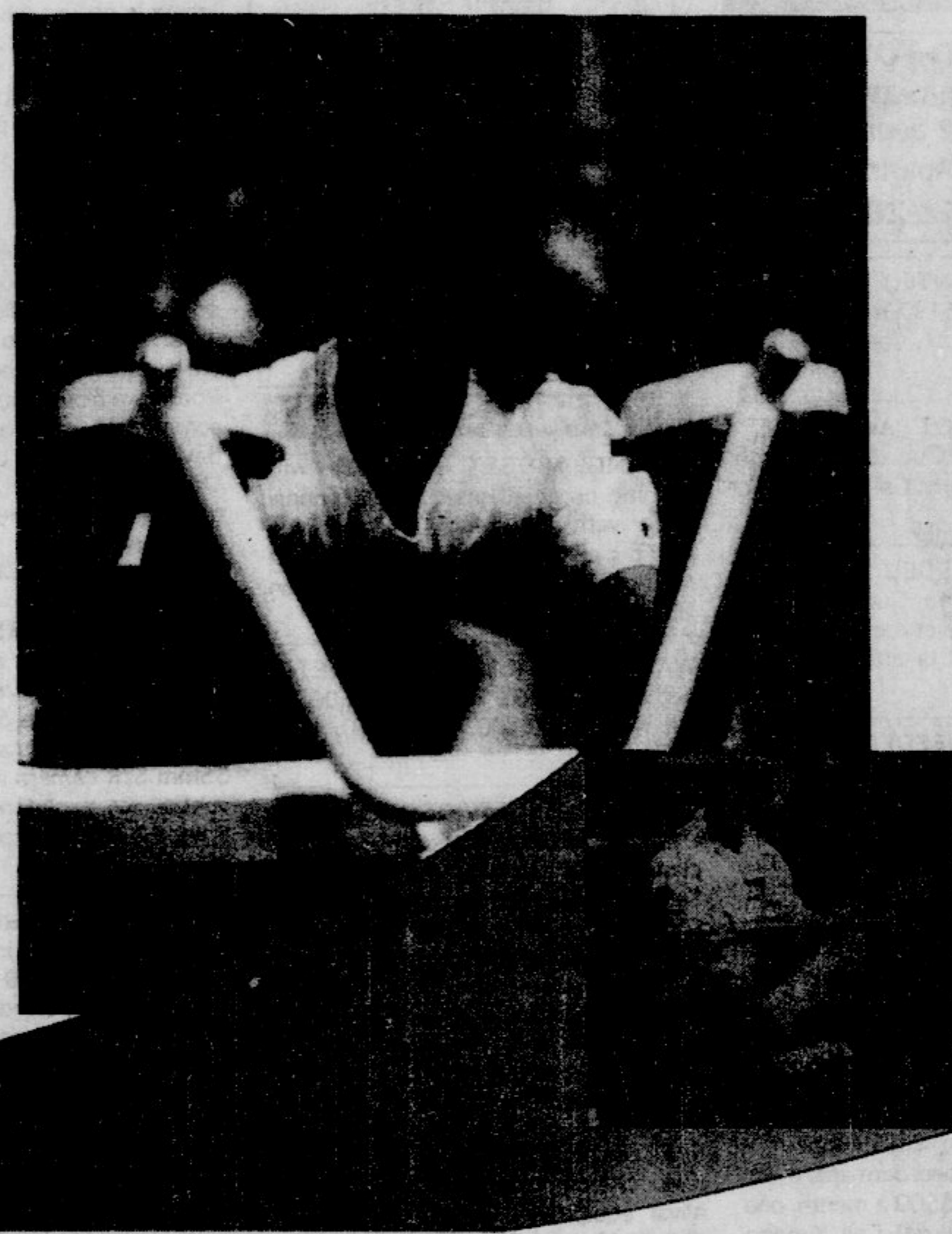
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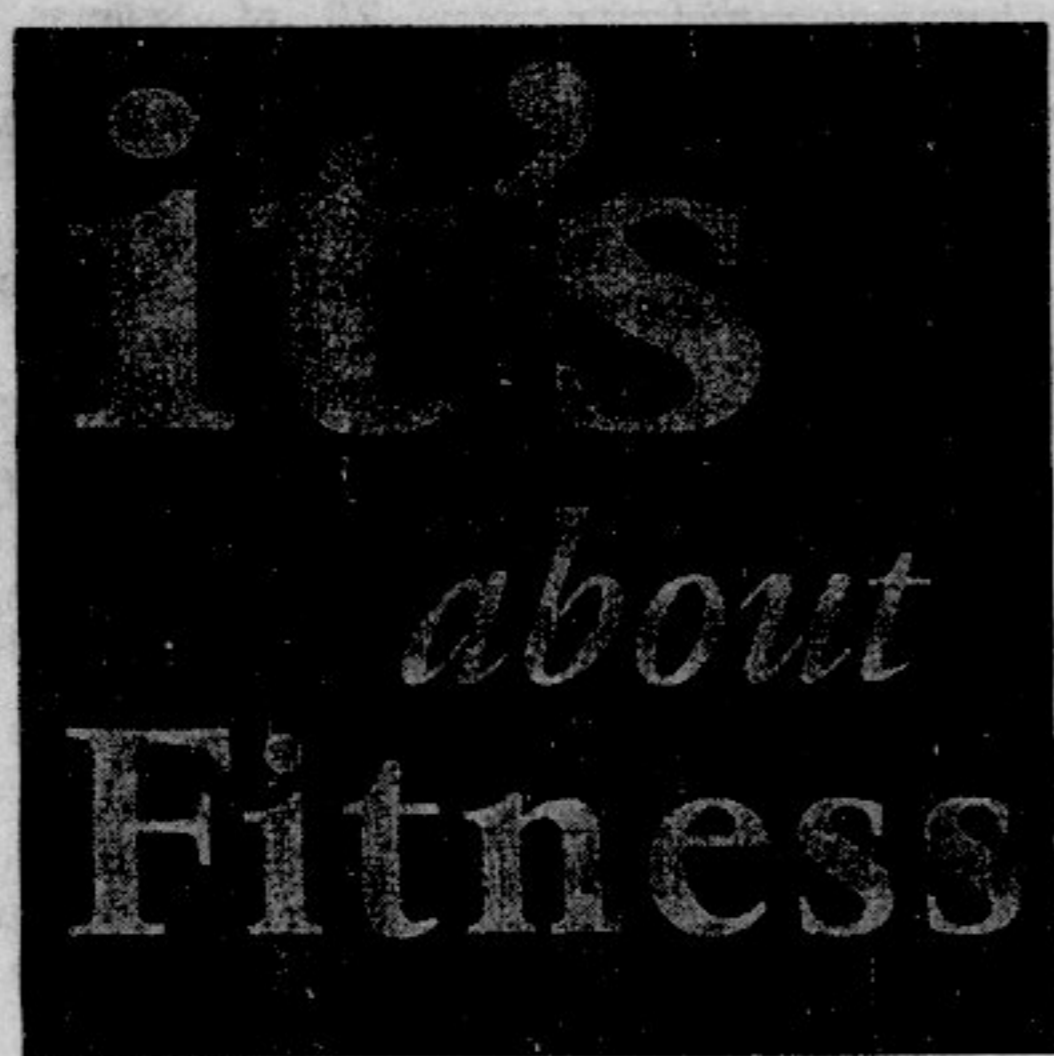


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1/20	Basketball Registration MTG	5pm	MSC 244
1/20	Captain's Certification Clinic	5pm	MSC 244
1/27	Bowling Registration MTG	5pm	MSC 244
1/28	Racquetball Single Entry Deadline	5pm	SRC 128
2/3	Basketball Shooting Challenge	4-6pm	SRC Forum

Adapted Recreation

Date	Event	Time	Where
1/21	Adapted Recreation Meeting	7-9pm	SRC
1/24	Wheelchair Basketball League	11-12pm	SRC
1/24	Racquetball Workshop	1:30-3:30pm	SRC
1/25	1st Meeting of Wheel Power	5-7pm	SRC
1/29	Climbing Wall Workshop	7-9pm	SRC
1/31	Seated Aerobics Clinic	11-12pm	SRC



Fitness

Date	Event	Time	Reg. by
1/20	Basic Training Slide	3-4pm	Drop-in
1/26-3/6	5Million Club-Rowing	your own	1/31
1/26-2/6	Pace Circuit Program	6:30am or 12:10pm	1/23
1/27-3/5	Try Tai Chi	12:10-12:50pm	1/26
1/27-3/2	Yoga (Session I)	5:15-6:30pm	1/23
1/27	Noon Track Attack	12:10-1:10pm	2/6

Adventure Programs

Date	Event	Reg. by
1/30	Stone Mountain SP-Climbing	Jan.23
1/29-1/31	Facilitator Training Class -Ropes course	Jan.23
1/26	Roll Clinics-River Kayaking	Jan.23
2/6-7	Canyon Valley-Skiing & Snow boarding	Jan.23

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Workshop	Date	Reg. by
Advanced Climbing Session I	1/28-1/25	
Backpacking Basic	1/29	
Florida Manatee Hunt	2/13-2/15	Reg. by 2/2





BASKETBALL bounces into ACTION

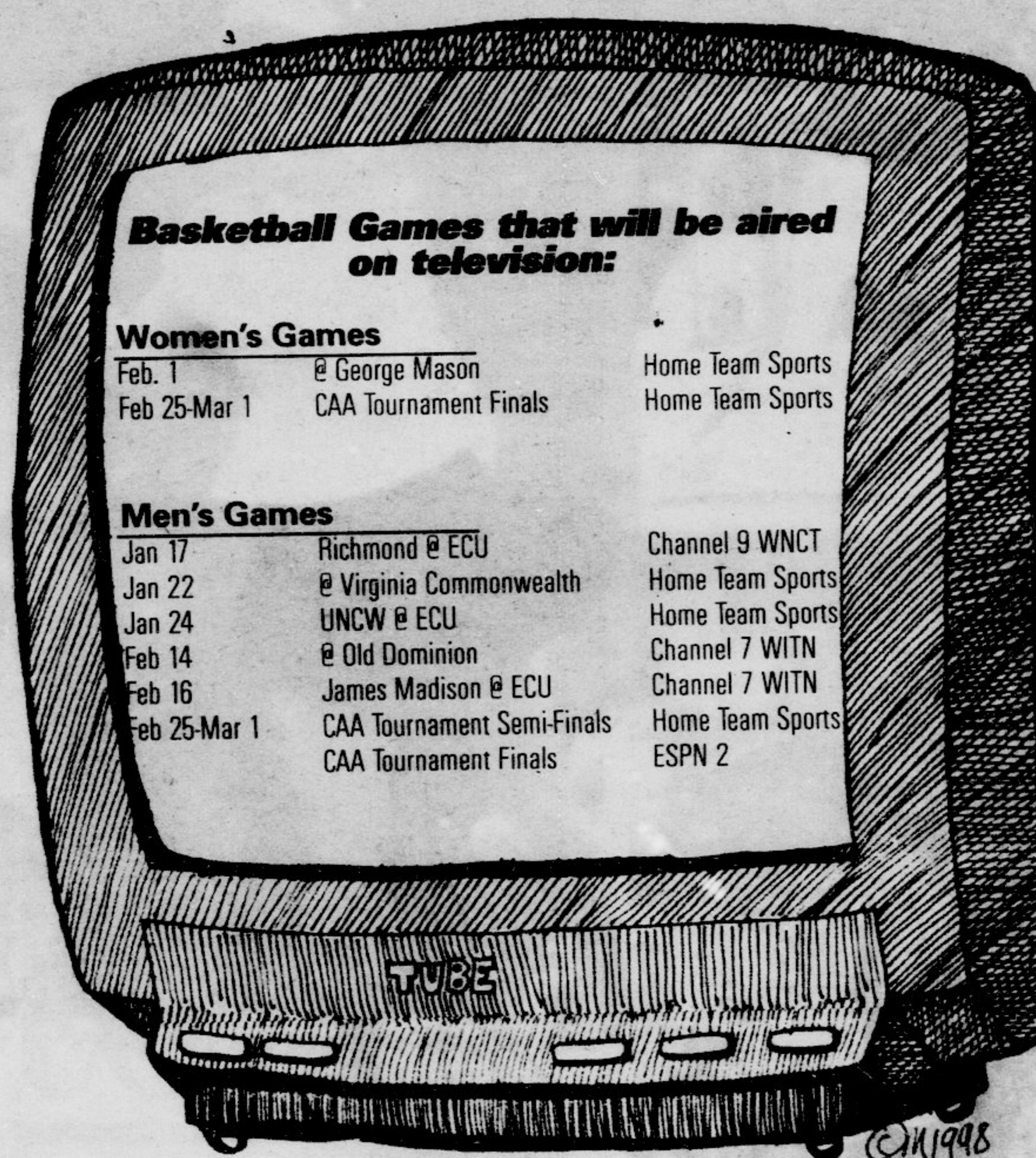
JASON THURINGER
STAFF WRITER

Returning players carry men's basketball team to the top

The men's basketball team has experience on its side with four senior starters. Othello Meadows, an Omaha, Neb. native, and Tony Parham, from Washington, D. C., lead the way as the most experienced backcourt in the CAA. Parham has started in every game but one in his first three years at ECU. Meadows and Parham have combined to start a total of 138 games for the Pirates. Meadows is also one of the most accurate three-point shooters in the conference. He has ranked either first or second from behind the arch for the past two seasons. Raphael Edwards and Dink Peters provide senior leadership in the front court. Peters, also from Washington, D. C., averaged 8.7 points a game last year mostly from the bench. Edwards, hailing from Brooklyn, N. Y., was named second team all conference last year — a year in which he led the Pirates with 13.2 points and 6.6 rebounds per game. The final starter is a local from Ayden, Alico Dunk. Dunk, a junior, dished out 56 assists as a sophomore who ranked second on the team. In addition to the starters, Steven Branch, a freshman from Newark, N. J., has some playing time this year. "I am excited about the contributions he (Branch) has made," Coach Joe Dooley said. Dooley is also looking forward to getting freshman Alphons van Ierland, a Netherlands native, back from a hand injury in a couple of weeks.

Starters make for well-rounded Lady Pirate program

The women's team is also led by some seasoned veterans, co-captains Shay Hayes from Waldorf, Md. and Jen Cox from Bedford, Va. The pair is averaging almost points and 13.3 rebounds per game. Sophomores Misty Horne and Danielle Melvin, from Statesville and Roseboro respectively, have started in all of the Lady Pirates' games this year. Horne is a threat to score from the outside, having made the team-leading 25 three-pointers so far this year. Melvin has averaged over 20 minutes a game while scoring five points and pulling down five rebounds per game. "The sophomore class led by Misty and Danielle have played really well," Coach Ann Donovan said. Another sophomore leader is Melanie Gillem, who has seen time in 12 of the 14 contests this year. Gillem averages over five points a game and has gone 10/31 on three point attempts. Tricia Peckham and Jennifer Moretz, both freshmen, have seen significant playing time in their rookie season. Together they have started in 14 games contribute steady play at the guard position. Beth Jaynes, a junior from Pfafftown, N. C., has played in 13 of the 14 contests and contributes solid play in the post.



For a complete schedule of Men's and Women's basketball check out page 10.

The Starting Lineups



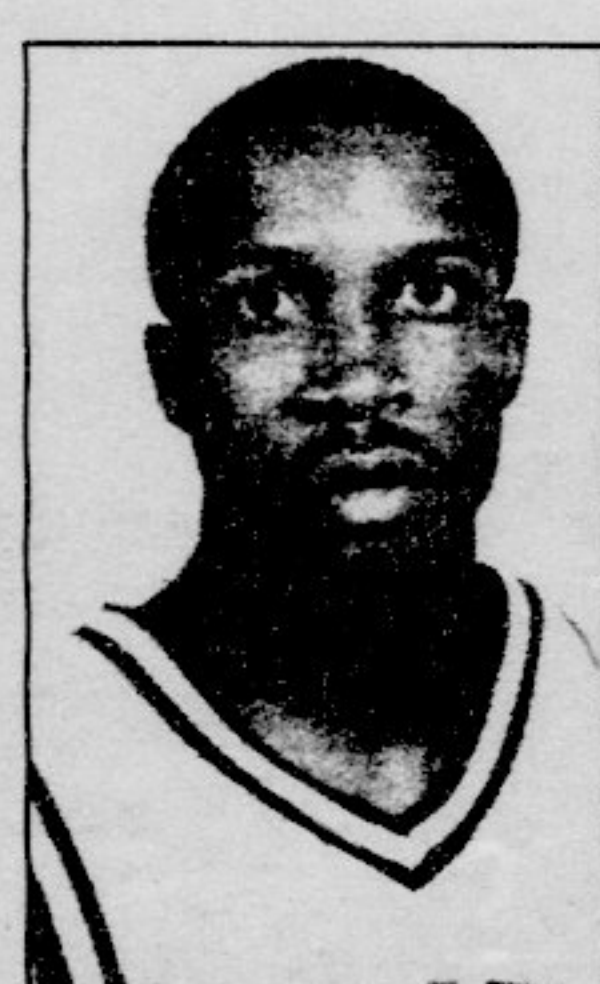
Raphael Edwards
(6-7)

Year: Senior
Position: Forward
Hometown: Brooklyn, N.Y.
Major: Communication



Tony Parham

Year: Senior
Position: Guard
Hometown: Washington, D.C.
Major: Exercise and Sport Science



Othello Meadows

Year: Senior
Position: Guard
Hometown: Omaha, Neb.
Major: Psychology



Dink Peters

Year: Senior
Position: Forward-Center
Hometown: Washington, D.C.
Major: Criminal Justice



Alico Dunk

Year: Junior
Position: Guard
Hometown: Ayden
Major: Exercise and Sport Science



Danielle Melvin

Year: Sophomore
Position: Forward
Hometown: Roseboro
Major: English



Shay Hayes

Year: Senior
Position: Forward
Hometown: Waldorf, Md.
Major: Exercise and Sport Science



Jennifer Moretz

Year: Freshman
Position: Guard
Hometown: Vilas, N.C.
Major: Business/Decision Science



Jen Cox

Year: Senior
Position: Center
Hometown: Bedford, Va.
Major: Psychology



Misty Horne

Year: Sophomore
Position: Guard
Hometown: Statesville
Major: Exercise and Sport Science

The wait is almost over!

Stadium nears completion

SCOTT ROSE
STAFF WRITER

The long wait is almost over for Pirates fans as the expansion of Dowdy-Ficklen Stadium nears completion.

The expansion will hold an additional 8,000 fans. The actual seats that will hold the fans have to be put in and that should take about two weeks, according to Henry Van Sant, assistant athletic director. The concourse is near completion, with final touches being put on the concession stands, souvenir shops, and the restrooms.

There is still caulking to be done to the stadium. Right now the construction crew are in the remedial and cosmetic stage, putting the finishing touches on. Construction on the stadium should be completed by early spring — just in time for the spring pig-out. There's nothing like breaking in the new stadium with a big party and a little pig.

"The main problem with the delay is basically too much work too little time," said Van Sant.

Some of the problems with construction have a lot to do with the timing of different things, like materials arriving late, which therefore pushes back the starting time of the phase in which the materials were needed.

"This is not unusual in construction of this size," Van Sant said. "A lot of problems come from the subcontracting, materials being late and phases not being finished on time."

As every student here at ECU knows, con-



Fans will finally be able to pack all of the stands in the fall as the football team will play for 8,000 more with the completion of the addition to the stadium.

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struction can be a bothersome and, at times, an inconvenience.

"The stadium will be absolutely fabulous; people will be astounded

and will enjoy it very much," said Van Sant.

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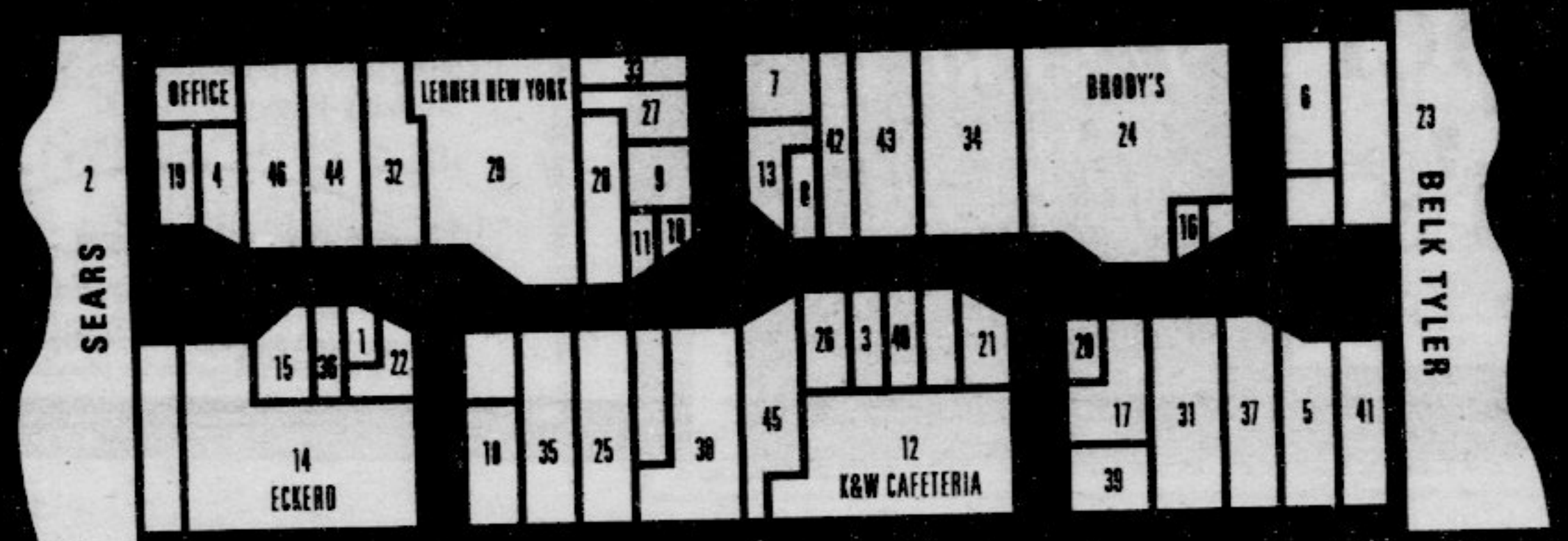
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Swimmer shares thoughts with TEC ...

(Editor's note: Each year, the ECU men and women swimming teams spend their Christmas break in sunny West Palm Beach, Florida for an intense week of training and bonding. As a freshman, Tracy Ormand went on the trip for the first time and as a guest writer, has shared her diary of the week with TEC.)

December 30, 1997
We met behind Scott Hall at 7 a.m. The trip to West Palm Beach was a long one, so we played card games. It took about 12 hours to get there and we went to eat once we arrived.

December 31, 1997
The first practice was at 9 a.m. We woke up around 8:15 and ate breakfast. First we did dry land workouts and then swam for about two hours. After lunch, we headed to the beach. It was pretty cold, but it was nice. We had an afternoon practice that was very hard. They had oranges waiting for us! We ate dinner and then hung out at the beach for the big New Year's countdown.

January 1, 1998
We started the day out with

an extremely cold a.m. practice that was a lot like the one yesterday. It was cold and cloudy, so most of us slept all day until evening workout, which was also very cold. Luckily, we finished early.

January 2, 1998
It was much nicer this morning, but still a little windy. Practice was canceled in the evening. We balanced six kickboards on a girl's head for ten seconds. In the afternoon, we spent some time at the beach, watching the guys play football and then we went to the mall.

January 3, 1998
Practice was pretty hard, but I felt pretty good today. It was much warmer. After morning workout, we went to the beach for the day. After a hard evening practice, we had a Chinese dinner that was very good.

January 4, 1998
Today was the best day yet. After practice, we left West Palm Beach and moved to Singer Island and a much nicer hotel. It was extremely warm and sunny all day. The

girls' team practiced an hour earlier because we went to an Italian restaurant.

January 5, 1998
Today we took pictures after morning practice and then we went to the beach, even though it was cloudy.

January 6, 1998
It was a pretty routine day. Morning workout was really hard and then we took team pictures. It was cloudy again so we all caught up on sleep.

January 7, 1998
We swam together today and had relays in the baby pool. It was a lot of fun. We had a team dinner at Chili's tonight.

January 8, 1998
Finally a day off! We didn't practice today, so we had a good time on the beach all day.

January 9, 1998
We left Florida and began our long trip back to Greenville at about 6 a.m. It was a very long ride home. Overall, the trip was a very fun and exciting experience.



Freshman, Tracy Ormand, went to Florida for an intense week of training and has shared her diary with TEC.
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Cheerleaders play both on and off the court

Squad participates in community events

PAUL KAPLAN
SENIOR WRITER

The ECU Cheerleaders' '97-'98 Basketball cheering season has been going strong since November now in mid-January they are in full swing. To the surprise of many Pirate basketball fans though, the responsibility of those high flying ladies and their muscle bound counterparts doesn't stop once the game clock reaches :00.

"People don't realize what a talented group of kids they are and how much time and dedication it takes," Cheerleading Coach Paula Corbett said.

Not only do they have practices three days a week comprised of running, practicing routines and a strenuous weight work out, ECU Cheerleaders also take part in a number of ECU public relations activities and volunteer work. The Cheerleaders can be found before most home games around campus handing out flyers promoting that evening's basketball game. They help out around the community volunteering at things like the recent Christmas parade, many Pirate Club activities, and last semester they were volunteering at St. Peter's Church on Halloween.

"Just last month we were at Ayden Elementary School talking to the kids about the importance of staying in school," Cheerleading Captain Tasha Smith said.

Along with cheering the games, working out and all of the other volunteering time, 16 of the 30 cheerleaders are going to participate this year in the National Cheerleading Association

Tournament in Daytona, Florida. "We're gearing up for the National Tournament. I expect we will do well and have a good chance ending up in the top five; we just need to stay focused," Smith said.

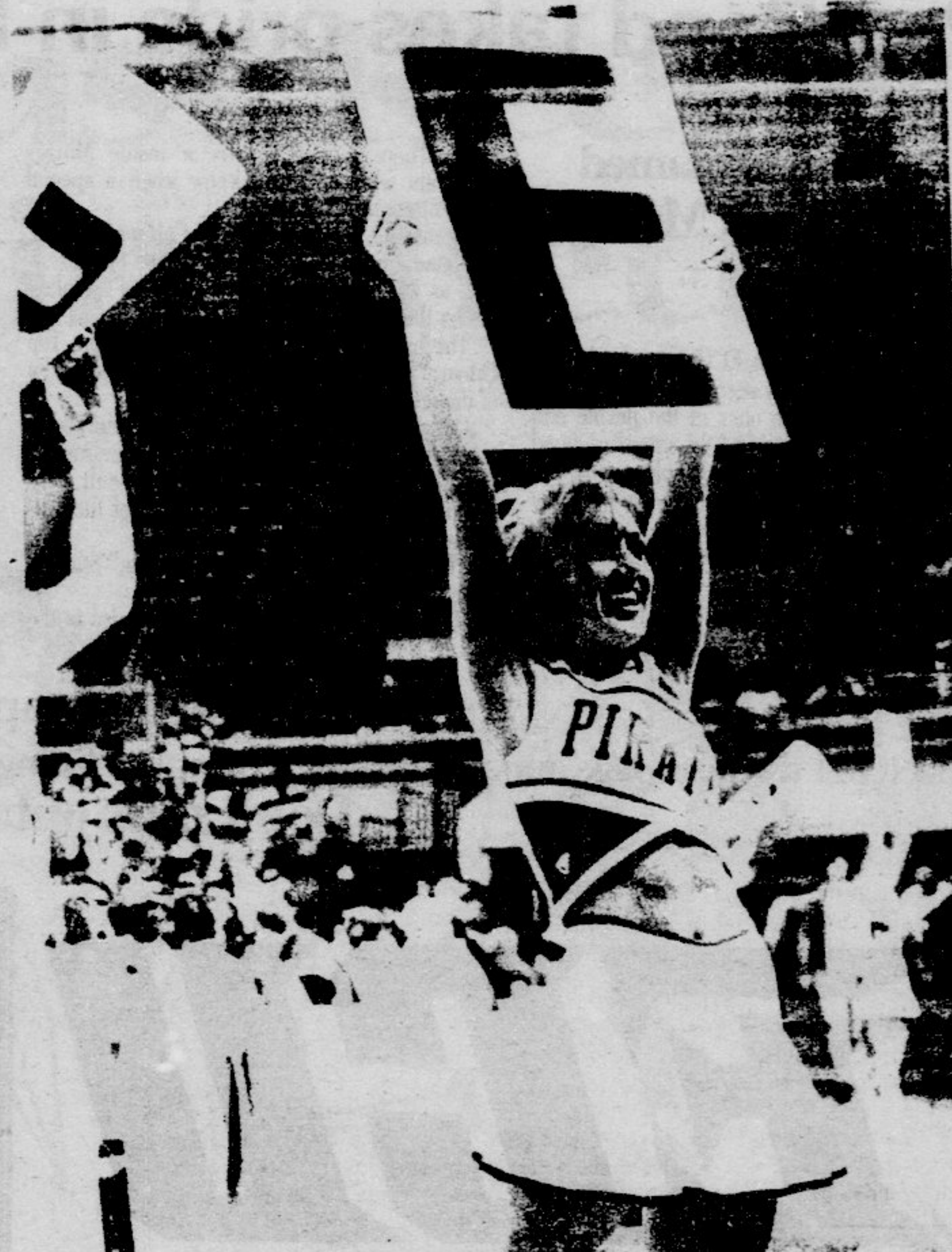
Along with Captains Tasha Smith and Jonathan Crim, the Pirate cheering squad is also comprised of three All-Americans, Will Cooper, Ian Propst and Ragan Taylor.

For all of you out there worried about the future of your purple and gold Pirate friend Peeblee, worry no more.

"Peeblee's not going anywhere; the little kids all love him too much," Corbett said.

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Paula Corbett
Cheerleading Coach



Lara Harrington leads the crowd in a cheer at a basketball game. The cheerleaders show their spirit at all of the men's and women's basketball games.

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Pep Band takes pride in helping teams to victory

Band to be named "The Sixth Man"

TRAVIS BARKLEY
SPORTS WRITER

If you've ever been to an ECU home basketball game, you have probably seen the ECU Pep Band in action—they're the ones in the purple and white-striped shirts, keeping the crowd pumped up during timeouts. But few people realize the hard work and dedication that it takes to be in the band.

The band plays before the game, as well as during halftime and timeouts. The band also has to split time with the cheerleaders and dance

team. There is also a director inside Minges Coliseum who lets them know when a special event or contest is going on.

According to band member Carmen Stauffer, the band's main duty is, "to keep the fans excited," as well as to keep up the spirits of the players on the court.

The band is directed by graduate student Tim Odum. "Being in the pep band really takes a lot of dedication and a lot of time,"

Odum said the band is totally self-sufficient, and they practice whenever they can. Finding the time to practice can sometimes be difficult, considering the busy schedules of most of the students.

"We enjoy this and have a lot of fun," Stauffer added.

Many of the 41 band members are also in the

ECU marching band, although it is not a requirement.

Odum said the band takes a lot of pride in the job they do. In the near future, the band will be announced inside Minges as, "The Sixth Man."

Odum added that the band came up with the name themselves, to show the pride they have in helping ECU to victory.

While the band plays at both the men and women's home games, they do not travel with the team. However, they will be going to the CAA Tournament at the end of the year and to the NCAA Tournament if either team advances that far.

Despite all of the time and effort that the band members put forth, they insist that they have fun. Brad Brady said everyone "likes getting to play and getting to see all of the games."

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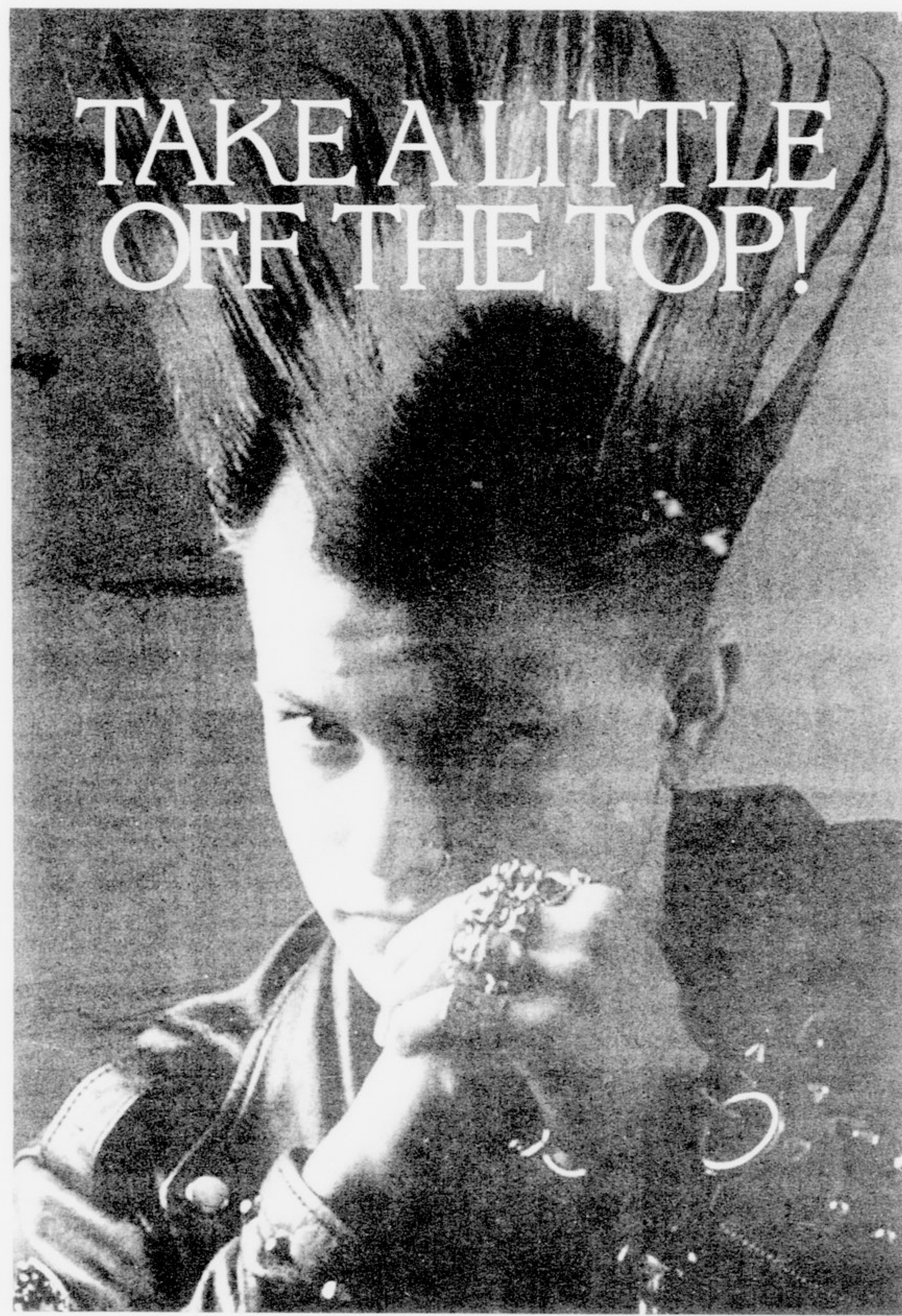
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