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Webster wins VP election

252 votes counted, 22 which appeared twice

AMANDA AUSTIN
NEWS EDITOR

The Student Government Association (SGA) election to replace former SGA Vice President Sean McManus, did not go as smoothly as had been planned.

Cliff Webster had officially been named vice president and will fill the position for the remaining time before the April 8 election, where the new executive branch will be elected.

"The only votes that are going to count are Cliff's," said Robert Smith, SGA elections chair.

The election brought in 252 voters, with 22 voting twice. Official votes stand at 230; 160 were for Cliff Webster and the remaining 70 write-in votes are null and void.

The write-in votes will not be counted due to the fact that the constitution states that all write-in candidates must submit an expense report. All write-ins in the March 3 election failed to do so, therefore, all of these votes will be null and void.

Voting polls appeared to located in very discreet locations. They were located in the One Card office in the back of Dowdy Student Stores, inside the recreation center, inside the library entrance, Todd Dining Hall and on the far corner of the Mendenhall Student Center, where the automatic teller machines are located.

"Some (poll locations) were not accessible through the One Card system," Smith said. "The university is systems accessible to the places where the students are, thus creating low voter turn out and an upset student population."

According to a recent change in the constitution, Article 8, Section 1, Polls are required but not limited to the Wright Place, the Croatan, Mendenhall Student Center,the front of Joyner Library and Todd Dining hall located on College Hill.

Whether or not the voting poll in One Card office is actually in the Wright Place, where it is required to be, is a debatable issue.

"The Wright Place and the One Card office are not in the same

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11 students, including a *TEC* reporter, successfully voted twice in Tuesday's VP election. All write-in candidates were disqualified for not following procedure.

Increase in parking fees approved

Board of Trustees voted in meeting before Spring Break

ANDREW LELIEVER
STAFF WRITER

The Board of Trustees approved a parking increase of $24 a year for Faculty, staff, commuters, residence and Freshman registered vehicles. The increase was approved during the Board of Trustees meeting on Friday, March 13.

The new fee would be $120 yearly. They also increased the Limited Decals to be increased from $42 to $60 annually and Private Decals increased from $288 to $360. This increase will not be in affect untill July 1, 1999. This approval acts as a one year notification.

"This request for fee increase is driven by two major construction projects: Reade Street and Dowdy-Finklin Stadium."said Layton Getsinger, Associate Vice Chancellor.

Reade Street is an estimated $1.2 million dollar surfacing project of existing spaces that will include security cameras, blue light phones and landscaping to compliment the surrounding area and lighting scheme. This project will also create 120 additional spaces.

Dowdy-Ficklin Stadium is an estimated $1.5 million project that will create 810 new spaces on the north side of the stadium. The lot will be utilized by commuter parkers during the week and athletic events in the evening and on the weekends.

"Students will pay for the parking at Dowdy-Finklin but during the six home games those 810 new space will be sold by the pirate club for over $1,000 each, which will

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ECU's Parking Rates

DECALS	WERE	NOW
1. Commuter	$96	$120
2. Limited	$42	$60
3. Private	$288	$360

Four arrested for burglary during break

Estimated 51 crimes linked to suspects

CRAIG D. RAMEY
SENIOR WRITER

Putting a suspected ring of burglars behind bars during Spring Break did not silence the crime wave in the campus community surrounding Tar River and Wyndham Court. The campus area has been hit with 48 counts of breaking and entering since early January, including six reports that were filed just over the break.

"The campus community is always at risk," said Detective C.S. Candeler. "We estimate that about 51 cases in the area can be linked to the suspects (arrested over break)."

This arrest couldn't be more of a step in the right direction than it was for ECU student Heather Sauls.

"I left for break on Friday and when I came back on the following Thursday, I saw that I had been robbed," Sauls said. "They took all of my electronics: my laptop, my TV and my VCR."

The four burglars suspected of targeting the campus area had already been arrested at the time of her burglary, but they are still linked to many others.

Charlie Durham, Donna Chaffee, Arron Carmon and Gary Roach were all arrested on March 16, 1998. Greenville Police had been following Durham and Chaffee for sometime before serving the warrant. Carmon and Roach were with the other suspects and were brought in for questioning after it was discovered that one had assist-

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Behind Closed Doors

Should male professors be wary of having close relationships with their female students in or outside the classroom?

HOLLY HARRIS
ASSISTANT NEWS EDITOR

Social indiscretions may not affect campus attitudes as much as you might think.

Amid the swirl of sexual harassment controversy ranging from Clinton's seemingly endless stream of misconduct charges, to university conflict surrounding Dean of Students Ronald Speir's alleged sexual harassment of a fellow employee, it might be expected that both students and faculty would be on guard. However, a recent TEC survey revealed that the pervading attitude on campus is substantially more relaxed.

University policy prohibits the sexual harassment of any student by a faculty member with clearly outlined rules in the faculty manual. Professors of either sex are forbidden to make unwelcomed sexual advances or requests as a condition of a student's grade, progress or recommendation, thereby attempting to avoid the possibility of making the learning environment seem hostile.

There are 759 male faculty members and 427 female faculty members to 10,485 female students and 7,361 male students at this university. But most students and professors don't believe the large number of people on campus or the current politically correct "walking on eggshells" approach to avoid sexual harassment charges is a problem on this campus.

Accounting Professor Kenneth Johnson says he has not really given the issue much deliberation at all.

TEC found relationships between professors and students relaxed.
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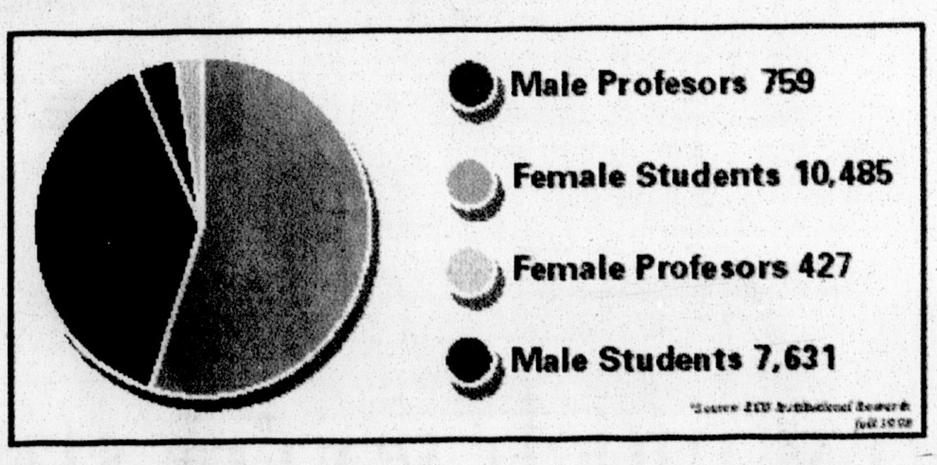

Trustees cover many topics concerning school's future

Distinguished professor joins university with permanent tenure

ANDREW LELIEVER
STAFF WRITER

During the Mar. 13 board of trustees meeting many issues concerning the schools future were discussed and decided on.

The approval of the appointment and permanent tenure of Dr. J. Kregel, professor of pathology and laboratory medicine was voted on. The approval of Dr. Emmett M. Floyd's request to retire, be re-employed at one-half rate.

Dr. Kregel has a B.A. from Johns Hopkins University and a M.D. from Georgetown Universities School of Medicine. In 1997 he also received the, Southern Medical Association, Medical Excellence Award.

"I respectfully request the members of the Executive and Audit Committee consider the recommendation of Peter J. Kregel, M.D., Professor and Chairman of the Department of Pathology and Laboratory Medicine," James LeRoy Smith, executive assistant to the Chancellor.

Floyd has requested permission to retire effective February 1,1998 and to be re-employed at one-half rate as an associate professor in the Department of Educational Leadership in the School of Education. Floyd intends to seek election to the N.C. House of Representatives.

"I have reviewed this matter and recommend your approval," said

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Highlights of Meeting

- **Parking decals increase $24 a year.**
- **Basketball coaches salaries raised.**
- **Artist's rendition of Dowdy-Ficklen Stadium unveiled.**
- **Request to acquire W.C. Clark, Jr. Property, 907 Forbes St., and 912 E.14th St. approved.**
- **Plans for new merit scholarship campaign discussed.**

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across the state

Duke University files appeal after suit

DURHAM (AP) —Duke University is appealing a $142,500 award to a South Carolina family who sued the school after doctors there performed an autopsy on a relative without ever notifying the family.

Abraham, Faircloth bet on Michigan State–North Carolina game

NC (AP) —When the Michigan State Spartans took to the basketball court against North Carolina Thursday, they played for peanuts. Michigan Sen. Spencer Abraham and North Carolina Sen. Lauch Faircloth had made a wager on the outcome of the NCAA East Regional tournament game between Michigan State and the top-ranked Tar Heels.

across the nation

California's high court says Scouts can ban gays, atheists

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) —The Boy Scouts are not covered by California civil rights laws and can exclude gays, agnostics and atheists, the state Supreme Court ruled Monday.

Six children killed as house burns to the ground

BLANKS, La. (AP) — A rural home with no telephone and no nearby neighbors burned to the ground Monday in a fire that killed six children.

around the world

Britain on alert for possible Iraqi germ warfare attack

LONDON (AP) — Britain's air and sea ports have been put on alert to the threat of deadly anthrax being smuggled into the country by Iraq, the prime minister's office said Monday.

Kenya closes University after student riots

NAIROBI, Kenya (AP)— Police clashed with thousands of students who threw stones and burned cars in the Kenyan capital Monday to protest lower admission requirements to their medical school.

crime scene

March 9, 1998

Larceny - A vendor reported the larceny of 17 dozen bagels delivered to the Galley.

Missing Person - A relative of a student reported the student missing. The student was last seen in Greene Hall.

Larceny - A resident of Tyler Hall reported the larceny of her wallet and keys from the Student Recreation Center.

March 11, 1998

Underage Possession of Alcohol - A student was served a criminal summons for underage possession of alcohol in the Messick Building.

Harassing Phone Calls (Off Campus) - A non-student reported that her ex-boyfriend, a staff member, has been calling her from a telephone on campus. The employee's supervisor was notified.

Possession of Marijuana, Paraphernalia & Weapon on Campus - A resident of Garrett Hall was issued a state citation for possession of marijuana and paraphernalia in a room in White Hall. A resident of White Hall was issued a campus appearance ticket for possession of a large combat knife.

Public Urination - A resident of Umstead Hall reported that someone urinated on the door of his residence.

March 16, 1998

Intoxicated Male - An intoxicated male was found passed out in the lobby of the Human Resources Center.

March 18, 1998

Damage to Property - A staff member reported finding a small hole in a window behind her desk. Several rocks were found lying next to the window.

March 23, 1998 from 7:00 am until March 24, 1998 at 7:00 am

Breaking & Entering & Larceny - A resident of Scott Hall reported the breaking and entering of his room and the larceny of his stereo.

Panhandling - A non-student was banned from campus for panhandling north of Mendenhall Student Center.

campus briefs

Mini Med-School

The School of Medicine held a Mini Med-School on March 23 in the Brody Building that provided guests with a simulated experience of a being a med student. The topic was "Answering the Why in Medicine."

Astronomer to visit ECU

Sethanne Howard, the director of Extragalactic Astronomy and Cosmology for the National Science Foundation, will be a guest speaker at 7 p.m. in in Mendenhall Student Center Great Room on march 26. In her talk Howard will give a description of the telescope, explain some of the early problems with the instrument's mirrors and describe how astronauts were able to make repairs. Some of the latest photographs and discoveries made with the telescope will also be presented.

Howard's presentation is sponsored by the Department of Physics, the American Astronomical Society and the Harlow Shapley Endowment Fund.

Greenville area gets new area code

919 functional for six more months

MELANIE HACKWORTH
STAFF WRITER

Greenville and Pitt County residents will have to get used to not dialing the old 919 area code. Now, Pitt and other eastern Carolina counties will be under the 252 code.

One possible reason for the change is an increased amount of traffic in many of the former area codes.

Residents will have six months to get used to the change. After September, if the 919 code is dialed for a 252 area, a message will answer instructing the caller to redial using the new code.

This change presents problems for more people than the phone company. Local businesses will have to change stationery, mailings and other printed materials.

Tom Matthews, a regional Sprint representative, believes the change can be handled. Sprint is already making changes to incorporate the new number.

"The electronic portion is already in place," Matthews said. "The printed portion will come out as usual with the changes."

The new area code will also affect campus communications. The university will have to reprint all information with the 919 code on it, but because September comes during a new semester, the change can be managed.

"The new numbers will be in all the literature going out for the fall semester," said Woody Bolton, director of operations.

The change is, however, going to be an expensive one for the university.

"It's going to cost the university money to upgrade the switch," Bolton said.

Because the change is so monumental, officials will hire an outside vendor to upgrade and make the necessary changes to the switch. But officials promise that students will not have to bear the cost of the change on their phone bills.

"It will not affect the students' costs," Bolton said.

When asked about the difficulty of the changeover, Bolton said "We have to do similar types of things all the time."

Parking

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generate money for the athletic department. This parking increase does not benefit the students, it uses them," Scott Forbes, SGA president.

An additional reason for the increase in parking fees is to increase the patrols in and around campus parking lots.

"The fee increase is also needed to provide increased police coverage in our parking lots,"said Jordan Whichard, chairman.

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Chancellor Richard R. Eakin. "I further recommend that upon your favorable response that the recommendation be forwarded to the Board of Governors for their consideration."

The board of trustees also decided on issues dealing with finances, athletics, Health Science, and future Student life at ECU. The name of University Printing and Graphics Building is to be called Harris Building. Both Joe Dooley and Ann Donovan , men and womens basketball coaches respectively, received raises. Also increased were merit scholarships to spark interest among academically gifted prospective freshmen.

Parking and [illegible]

	1996-97 Actual	1997-98 Projected	1998-99 Projected	1999-2000 Projected
Beginning Cash	$1,520,424	$1,488,108	$1,123,426	$861,160
Revenue:				
Fees	980,327	972,152	981,874	1,200,000
Fines	420,616	425,000	425,000	425,000
Parking Meters	49,307	47,000	50,000	50,000
Surplus Property	-	-	-	-
Return Check Fee	380	400	500	500
Miscellaneous				
Total Revenues	1,450,630	1,444,552	1,457,374	1,675,500

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Burglary

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ed Durham in an armed robbery while the other was in possession of crack cocaine.

According to officials, these suspects and other criminals frequently target students.

"The students are easy prey," Candeler said. "They [Durham and Chaffee] would sit in the parking lot and wait for people to go downtown. Then they would go kick the door down."

Candeler also said that loud parties and frequent pedestrian traffic make it difficult for people to spot when someone doesn't belong in the area.

Both Durham and Chaffee have admitted to committing larceny as means to support their crack habits.

Greenville police have recovered some of the stolen property, but a lack of serial numbers on record, handicaps them from finding the majority.

Alpha Omicron Pi sorority organizes bone marrow drive

$2,000 has been raised for those who can't pay

JENNY VICKERS
STAFF WRITER

Alpha Omicron Pi, along with the National Marrow Donor Program, are organizing a recruitment drive on April 7 from 12-6:00 p.m. in the Mendenhall Multi-purpose room.

Alpha Omicron Pi is sponsoring and funding the drive to help increase the number of leukemia survivors.

"One of our sisters was diagnosed with leukemia at the beginning of this school year," said Noell Ellingsworth of Alpha Omicron Pi.

Any person who wants to donate must sign a consent form, pay a $40 laboratory fee, and give a small amount of blood. Donors must be between 18 and 60, in good general health and not excessively overweight.

"The procedure is not even as bad as giving blood," Ellingsworth said. "They don't take as much, so you don't feel weak or tired afterwards. When people hear the term bone marrow, they think it's much worse, but you're only giving a small amount of blood."

The sorority has raised $2,000 for volunteers who can't afford to pay. They are asking businesses to donate money and sponsor potential volunteers.

"We will test people for free until our money runs out," Ellingsworth said. "Those who don't have the laboratory fee but want to help can give platelets. This is a free procedure that helps with the treatment patients go through."

Presently there are 3,101,314 donors on the Registry and 6,721 transplants have taken place. Thirty percent of patients have a family member who is suitably matched and able to donate marrow; however, the chances of any two unrelated individuals matching vary widely.

Twenty percent of the patients can't find a match on the registry. NMDP urges people to volunteer.

NMDP has facilitated 6,721 unrelated marrow transplants throughout the world.

"As the Registry has increased, so has the number of transplants facilitated," Andrea Carter, public relations spokesperson for NMDP, said.

"Potential matches outside of the family are greater within the same racial ethnic group," Carter said. "Minority patients are less likely than non-minorities to find matched donors on the Registry."

NMDP stresses the fact that there is a special need for volunteer marrow from the American Indian/Alaska Native, Hispanic, African American, and Asian/Pacific Islander communities.

If antigens in the donor's blood match, then they are given the decision whether to donate marrow or not. If so, they are given counseling about the donation process. Marrow is extracted from the back of the donor's pelvis at an NMDP-approved hospital. The donor's marrow replenishes itself within a few weeks.

Marrow transplantations have become the only real "cure" for many diseases.

"The survival rates are in the 40 to 60 percent range for diseases that would be fatal without marrow transplants," Carter said.

NMDP
Registry/Transplants by Race

Racial/ethnic designation	# of donors	# of transplants
African American	240,545	245
American Indian/Alaska Native	41,262	35
Asian/Pacifac Islander	177,563	147
Caucasian	1,812,630	5,604
Hispanic	220,988	349
Multiple Race/Other	39,306	109
Unknown	569,020	232

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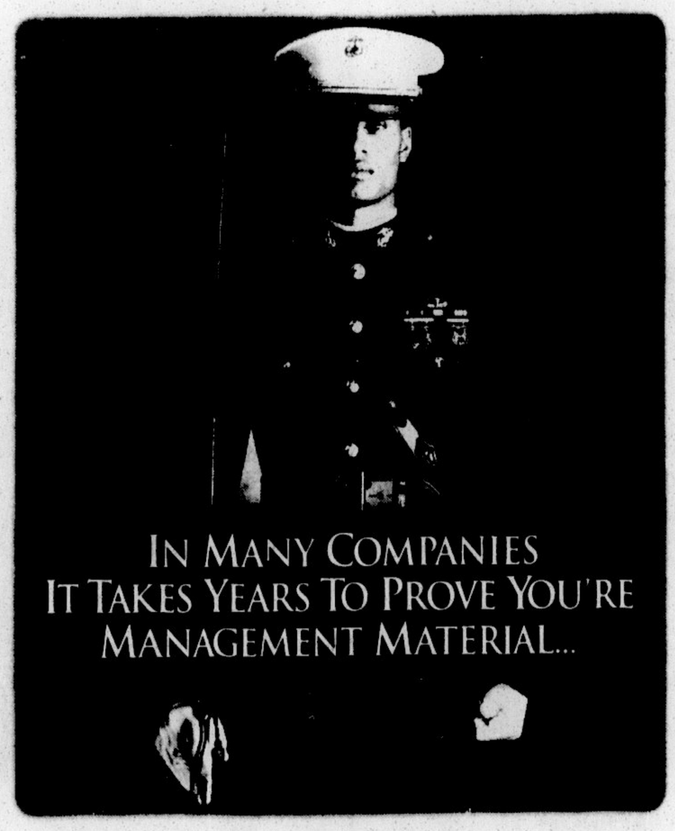

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place, however, they are under the same roof," said Haden Jennings, SGA attorney general.

The Voting poll did appear at the Croatan during this election because it would have been a fire hazard to run a cord from the inside of the building to the outside. The poll was replaced and placed at the Student Recreation Center.

According to Smith this was a violation of the rules, but could not be helped.

Ballots from one voting poll were accidentally locked inside the One Card office over night, delaying votes being counted officially until the next day.

According to Smith this was his fault. He was attending an IFC Judicial Board meeting until 7:30 p.m. and the doors to the Wright Place were locked at 7:00 p.m.

One TEC reporter found that it was easy to vote more than once and without your student I.D., though the location at Mendenhall did deny the reporter access to vote without his I.D,

The ballots will be checked carefully to determine whether students voted more than once. Those votes that appear more than once will be wiped clean from the election and will not count at all.

"There have been kinks in whether or not people have voted twice," Smith said.

This election has been very helpful in determining what changes need to be made before the April 8 elections.

"There will be no glitches in the April 8 election,' Smith said. "Those who vote twice will be brought in front of the honor board."

SGA President Scott Forbes hopes that the April 8 election will go much smoother, though problems were expected to occur during this election.

"We knew we were going to have problems, but hopefully we won't have the same problem on April 8," Forbes said. "The university changed our voting system, SGA had to adapt."

In the next election, SGA is trying to ensure that there will be more places outside where students will be gathering, therefore having a much higher voter turnout.

Doors

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"It isn't that I've given it special consideration," Johnson said. "I think its important that all students be treated with respect. I do make sure students feel comfortable; I don't distinguish between male and female students."

The university's policy on sexual harassment issues is consistent with North Carolina general statutes about creating a favorable work environment for everyone involved. Most say it's just a matter of maintaining a professional attitude. But with no large cases of professor/student harassment on this campus recently there seems to be an attitude that the issue here has been handled well so far.

"I think things have changed, but changed for the better," said English Professor Dr. Marie Farr. "I think more people are aware of the potential for charges, and the need to protect particularly women, from sexual harassment."

Women on campus, however, say they don't feel particularly threatened.

"I've never felt sexually harassed by any of my male professors," said student Cindy Rayburn. "I do feel a little more on guard, but none of them have been suggestive to me in any way."

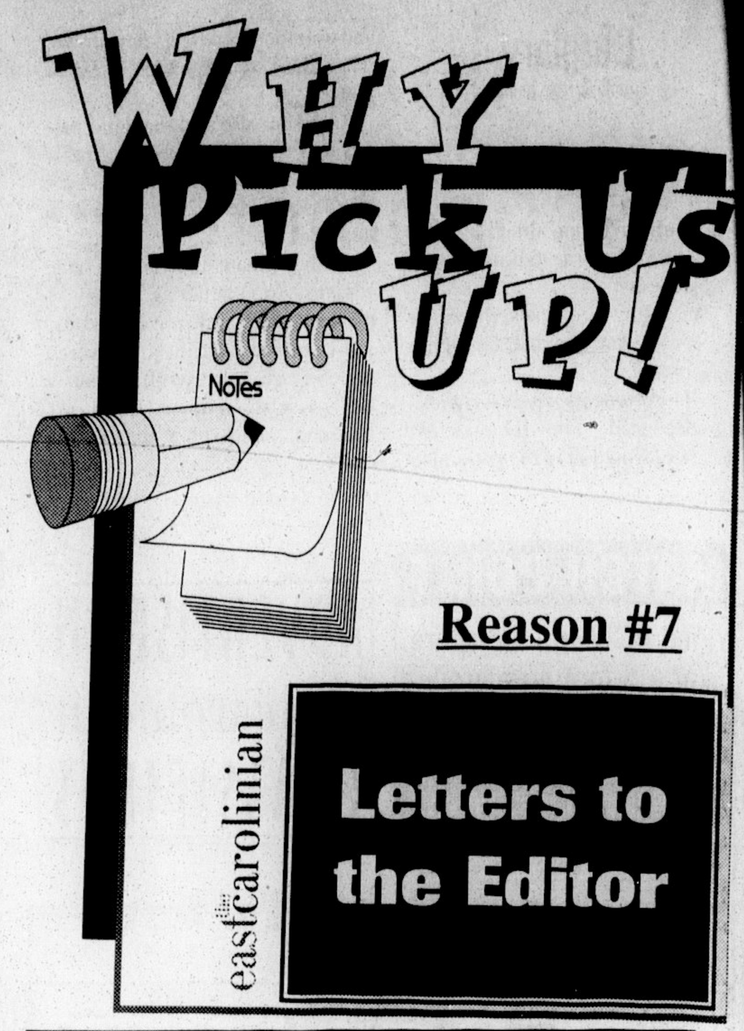
Most of the women interviewed felt that while they might feel a little differently about their male and female professors, they had never had grounds to feel afraid or uncomfortable either in class, or a more intimate advisee setting.

"I haven't had an experience like that [sexual harassment], said student Natalie Dennis. "It just hasn't occurred, but I'm aware that it does happen."

Male professors replied that while they too were aware that sexual harassment was a hot topic, they continued to go about things the way they always had.

"I'm more aware of it now, but I still do things the same," said English professor Hal Snyder.

For now students and faculty say that on this campus there is a fairly good system of respect and professionalism functioning in the teacher/pupil relationship, and until that is threatened, business will go on as usual.



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Telephone survey targets sophomore response

First two years of college critical in making career choices

NINA M. DRY
STAFF WRITER

Sophomores have been chosen to help the university find more ways to improve their services. Currently a telephone survey targeting sophomores is being conducted in order to evaluate the school's performance.

The survey went into effect on March 16 and will continue until all sophomores are called.

"We began calling those who did not have local phone numbers listed," said Dr. Ken Wilson, a sociology professor and director of the survey research lab. "Since it was spring break, the chances of getting in touch with them at home would be greater."

According to Wilson, the research lab chose to survey sophomores because the first two years of college are considered the foundation to career choices and planning.

"The sophomores can give us an overview of their first three and a half semesters," Wilson said. "This gives us the opportunity to improve things and also get the opinions of different aspects such as orientation, classes, faculty and recreational activities."

This is the second time ECU has participated in this type of survey. Wilson said if things go well, it probably won't be the last.

"We are now making plans on participating in this survey annually," Wilson said.

The research lab isn't the only one interested in the opinions of the sophomore class. Chancellor Richard Eakin also looks over the data compiled in the surveys.

"Your [the students'] views will be used to evaluate ECU's performance and will help me decide where we should make further improvements," Eakin said.

Along with ECU, all the other 16 campuses in the University of North Carolina system will participate in the new system of surveys.

Accounting Department offers free income tax assistance

Students prepare returns with faculty guidance

LAURA LEE HINES
STAFF WRITER

The ECU accounting department is sponsoring free income tax assistance for students. Beta Alpha Psi, the National Honor Accounting Fraternity, provides this annual service called Voluntary Income Tax Assistance (VITA).

Beta Alpha Psi is a new organization at ECU. VITA is just one of the many service projects Beta Alpha Psi members support. This is the third year the accounting department at ECU has sponsored VITA, making free income tax assistance available to students. By setting up services in the afternoon to help students with simple income tax forms for state and federal income taxes, both Beta Alpha Psi members and other ECU students reap benefits. This service can save time and prevent headaches for students as they try to meet the deadline for filing their taxes.

Dr. Mark McCarthy and Dr. Doug Schneider are the sponsors of Beta Alpha Psi and oversee VITA sessions. One of these two professors is present at all times during the VITA sessions.

"Students prepare the returns with guidance from the faculty," McCarthy said.

Accounting students who are members of Beta Alpha Psi have the opportunity to get some experience helping others with their tax returns by participating in VITA. These students have to take a class in addition to their regular class load and pass a test to demonstrate their proficiency in tax form preparation prior to helping with VITA.

"VITA is helpful in getting practice in helping other people with their taxes," said Leslie Messerli, vice president of service activities for Beta Alpha Psi.

Students who need assistance with filling out basic tax forms such as 1040A, 1040EZ, and other simple 1040's can get assistance from students and faculty in the General Classroom Building Room 3006 the next three Thursdays from 3:30 until 5:30. The dates are March 26, April 2 and April 9. All students needing assistance in preparing 1040's are encouraged to attend one of these sessions. Bring your tax booklet if you have one, your wage statement (W2) and savings interest statement for this year. Remember, the deadline for submitting your tax return is April 15.

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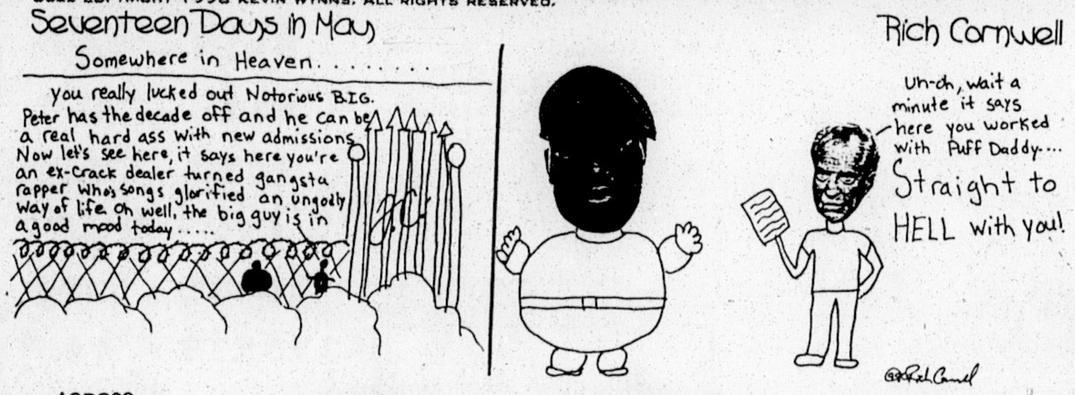

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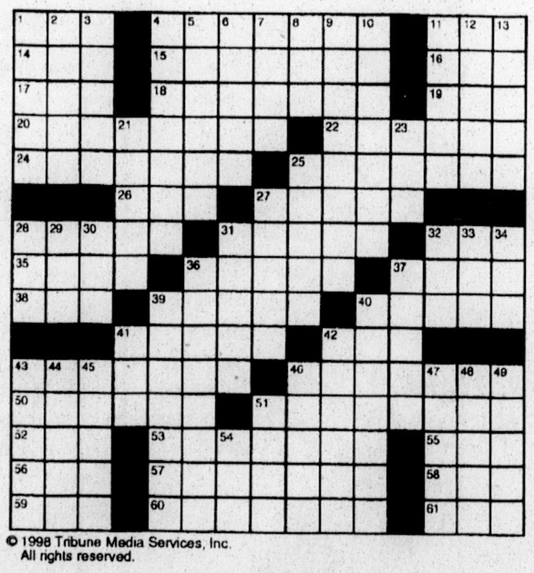

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our view

In between the latest Monica Lewinsky jokes on late night comedy shows and catching the updates on various sexual harassment trials, people nationwide are torn over a very serious subject. It seems as if every time we turn on the TV, another allegation is being raised, and the President is not the only one being accused. Recently, Sgt. Major Gene McKinney, the highest ranking Army soldier was acquitted of sexual harassment and convicted of obstruction of justice in a ruling that left a lot of people scratching their heads. At Arizona State University, Dr. Jared Sakren claims he was fired for violating the school's sexual harassment laws. His crime? Creating a hostile environment for women by teaching too many works by Shakespeare and other European men. The issue has come to our own backyard with the recent lawsuit brought against Dean of Students Ronald Speier.

Certainly, nobody should be forced to work in a hostile environment, but where is the line between punishing the irresponsible and innocent until proven guilty? People all over are asking themselves that same question. While that form of behavior is unacceptable under any circumstances, the possibility exists that the accused could be innocent. ECU students were reminded that false allegations are very real when a student admitted she made up charges of assault. Just as the Clinton/Willey situation seems to be a case of he-said-she-said, the difficulty in proving those kinds of charges is creating hostility. Tensions are rising in the workplace, and if current trends continue, it could become quite a serious problem for everybody, including ECU students.

In some classes here, especially in the more creative curriculums, a loose structure and informal atmosphere contributes to a student's education. By dropping the fear of saying the wrong thing, students and their professors participate in a free exchange of ideas. Anybody would agree that this has helped them to see other sides of issues that they had not considered. When an entire company can be sued because of the conduct of one of their employees, you have to wonder how long it will be before a teacher gets sued for allowing a student to say something that could be considered sexist. If teachers and students constantly worry over whether their ideas are acceptable, the quality of education could take a serious blow.

"It's something that's on everybody's mind," English professor Peter Makuck said in a recent interview with TEC. "You'd be foolish not to be concerned. You wonder how you could defend yourself in that situation."

The best professors are the ones who continue teaching outside of the classroom. Professors should be able to cultivate a close teacher/student relationship with their female students without being afraid of a word being taken out of context, and as a result, having their reputation permanently stained.

"[Teachers] aren't going to close the door when a coed is in the room, for that reason," Makuck said, "but obviously, you aren't going to stop caring."

OPINION Columnist

William Stacey COCHRAN

Fight better for drinking age

...there are politicians who do have something to gain by lowering the age to 18. The problem is the majority of citizens who actually use their right to vote are not 18, 19 and 20.

During the break I took the opportunity to grade a set of papers from an English 1200 course I teach. Duly, a quarter of the papers were written on the drinking age; particularly, most argued to rescind the law that states one should be 21 years old to legally drink and to reestablish the pre-Reagan drinking age of 18. However, the issues raised have only recently become more realized in my mind's eye (mostly due to the insight of the 18- and19-year-olds in the class).

The chief arguments were that if a citizen has the right to vote and the right to defend his/her country in the military, then that citizen should have the right to purchase and consume an alcoholic beverage. However, these are weak grounds for developing an argument. In effect, it's not too unlike a sixteen-year-old who wants to take daddy's Mercedes out on a date arguing, "Well, you let me drive my Honda Civic; why can't I drive the Mercedes?" And perhaps this type of wheedling occasionally precipitates dad's handing over of the keys. Unfortunately, in politics, laws are not annulled quite so effortlessly.

Yes, politicians are using 18 to 21-year-olds. The reason they can allow (in effect use) citizens in this age bracket to die for their country yet slap them with $90 fines for possessing alcohol is because they allow this age group to vote. And certainly, there are politicians who do have something to gain by lowering the age to 18. The problem is the majority of citizens who actually use their right to vote are not 18, 19 and 20.

Furthermore, for the middle class 35-to-60-year-olds who comprise the bulk of America's voting population, to elect politicians who might rescind the current law, the benefits must outweigh the risks. No doubt, major alcohol distributors would love an 18-year-old drinking law and would stand to garner larger profits if such a law were passed (and in turn politicians who passed such laws would stand to make money from these distributors). But the benefits do not outweigh the risks.

Fact is, there would undoubtably be an increase in traffic fatalities for this age bracket — an age bracket already marked by the highest incidences of traffic fatalities each year. And to major alcohol distributors who make enough from 18-year-olds who can purchase alcohol anyway (albeit not as easily as many 18-year-olds would like) and over-21-year-olds, the need to fight arduously for 18 as a permissable age is not pressing.

For such a law to pass, 18-21 year olds would have to overwhelm elections in support of politicians who have connections to alcohol manufacturers — politicians who would have something to gain by a lower drinking age. Unfortunately, most voters in this age bracket aren't reading up on Newsweek and Time, nor are they studying C-SPAN to find the politicians that might change the drinking age. No, most 18-21-year-olds, if they are anything like I was at 20, are looking for the nearest keg party and the hottest bar.

LETTER to the Editor

Dorms provide good experience

In regard to the column by Jeff Bergman, "Campus Housing Not a Bargain," I would like to offer a different point of view. My opinion comes from looking back over 25 years. I spent two and one-half years in a dorm while attending college. My junior year and fall semester of my senior year was spent in a fraternity house and my last semester in an apartment.

My best years were in the dorm. I made more friends and had more fun. The friends I made were more varied and interesting. In looking back, I realize I was more a part of campus life while in a dorm than in the fraternity house and apartment.

We had a lot of fun while in the dorm. In the late '60s and early '70s, we had hippies, panty raids, streakers and you name it; we had it. However, there was a limit since we were in a dorm. You could get to sleep and you could still study in your room. Not so in the fraternity house.

Once one decided to live in the fraternity house, one pretty much limited one's self to those in the house. There was no way to study in the fraternity house and if your roommate decided to party all night, you were out of luck because there was nowhere to go.

By the time I entered my last semester, I had enough of fraternity life; my roommate and I moved out and into an apartment. We went from one extreme to the other. It was like going from a rock concert to a piano recital. I guess it was a quick transition to adulthood and the working world. In reflecting back, I feel dorm life offers the best campus experience.

Oh, regarding the cost — dorm living is the cheapest in money, but the richest in memory and experiences.

Bill Fleming
Class of 1975

OPINION Columnist

Britt HONEYCUTT

It's no fun being an idiot magnet

If I had a dollar for every beer sloshed all over me by drunken idiots, I could buy myself a comfortable yet stylish plastic beer- proof suit.

I sometimes feel that I am made of some sort of magnetic material that pulls stupid people directly into my path of travel. I had no idea that this breed was growing so numerous until I got my driver's license. Something must be done to stop the stupid from reproducing.

We all know the feeling of driving along behind the genius who thinks that 55 is a speed to be attained only by missiles and space rockets. We've all been stalled at a green light behind the brainiac applying lipstick instead of paying attention to the world around her (or him). One of my personal favorites is the gigantic 1972 hoopty that pulls out in front of me to go 15 miles an hour, then turn off thirty feet later. If these people walked they would get there faster. And you people — I know you're out there — who think that you become invisible when you step inside your car, so it's okay to pick your nose. Yep, I can see you.

Then there are the jerks. They ride so close to your bumper that you can see their nostril hair in your rearview mirror. They slow down on the double yellow line and speed up in the passing zone. They refuse to let you merge when your lane is ending.These folks do it on purpose. That's worse than stupid.

It's not only when I'm behind the wheel that I've noticed the strange attraction that idiocy has to my general area. It seems to occur with great frequency at the "10 items or less" lane at the grocery store. No one who is ever in front of me at a checkout knows how to fill out a check or count out change. It makes me want to take away their checkbook and do it myself.

Let's talk about stupidity downtown. If I had a dollar for every beer sloshed all over me by drunken idiots, I could buy myself a comfortable yet stylish plastic beer-proof suit. Oh, and I was innocently opening my mail the other day when I came across "The Downtown Scene," a free magazine someone had graciously shoved through my door. After a few minutes of wading through page after page of adolescent potty humor, I'm about to use it to practice my hook shot at the garbage when suddenly I see the "Dream Shot." I think that this is perhaps the best definition of stupid that I have come across yet. These pictures are to true pornography what a line of coke is to true drug addiction — the first step. Okay, give the general, unpaying public a look at your almost naked body for anyone to defile in any way, then tell us where we can find you on Saturday night? What is this, a want ad for a psychotic stalker? Why not go ahead and list your address, phone number, and favorite pet so that your psycho won't have so much work to do?

It seems to surround me, the stupidity. People who walk in the exit door and directly into me. People who seem to have misplaced their turn signal blinker. People who spit bubble gum on the ground for me to spend a productive evening scraping off of my shoe. It is truly everywhere, and I can feel it pulling me in. I fear that soon it will be me who drives in the turn lane for six miles while simultaneously playing incredibly loud, obnoxious music and picking my ears. Oh well. You know what they say. If you can't beat'em, join'em. But first I've got to go spit off a bridge into oncoming traffic and buy a cup of coffee with no lid.

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WELCOME BACK!! HOPE EVERYONE had a fun and safe Spring Break. Love, Alpha Delta Pi

WELCOME BACK SIGMA ALPHA Epsilon brothers. Let's work hard and have a great ending to our semester. Congratulations to Chad Hamilton; Brother of the Week.

THE SISTERS OF PI Delta wish to thank sister Anne Lucas for the use of her apartment on Wednesday night, during Big Sis Hunt Week. We love you!

THANKS TO CHI OMEGA, Alpha Xi Delta, and the brothers of Sigma Pi for the Quad Social Friday night. We had a marvelous time. The brothers of Delta Sigma Phi

THANK YOU TO EVERYONE who participated in and supported our 4th Annual Sexy Boxer Contest. It was a huge success & we can't wait until next year! Love, the sisters and new members of Delta Zeta!

TAU KAPPA EPSILON, MARRIAGE and divorce was a lot of fun! Until next time - Love, Zeta

ROB CARRIER-THANKS FOR doing the contest last Tuesday night! You did a great job, and we are proud to have had you represent us! Love, the sisters and new members of Alpha Xi Delta

PI KAPPA ALPHA, THANKS for the social last Tuesday, it was a lot of fun! We've missed you guys! Love, Alpha Xi Delta

PI DELTA WISHES TO send a special thank you to Kendall Jones for representing us in the boxer contest. You did great!! Love, the sisters

PI DELTA HOPES EVERYONE had a super Spring Break! Good luck on the rest of the semester!

PI DELTA — Get your sister's date ready. Stranger Mixer is only two days away!

PHI KAPPA TAU, THANK you for the wonderful Pre-Spring Break Social last Saturday night! We all had a great time! Love, the sisters of Alpha Phi

GREAT JOB, DELTA ZETA, on your boxer contest! It was a blast!! Love, the sisters of Pi Delta

KAPPA ALPHA, THANKS FOR a great St. Patty's Day Social. We can't wait until next time! Love, Zeta Tau Alpha

GOOD LUCK ON SATURDAY, Pi Delta "home builders". Hope you guys have a great morning working hard for a good cause! We love you, your sisters

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE WINNERS of Delta Zeta's Sexy Boxer Contest: Eric Layne-1st; Cress Bell-2nd; Blaze Thompson-3rd. You guys were awesome and we hope to see you again next year! Love, the sisters and new members of Delta Zeta

CONGRATULATIONS TIFFANY HADLEY ON getting pinned by Chris! We love you! Love, the sisters and new members of Alpha Omicron Pi

ALPHA XI DELTA HOPES everyone had fun during Gamma week! We also thank Kappa Alpha and Theta Chi for welcoming everyone to their houses!

ALPHA DELTA PI WOULD like to thank and congratulate Cress Bell and Eric Layne for winning first and second place in the Sexy Boxer Contest!!

ALPHA PHI WOULD LIKE to thank the brothers of Sigma Pi for the great time Wednesday night. It was nice meeting all of you guys. We will definitely have to do it again soon!

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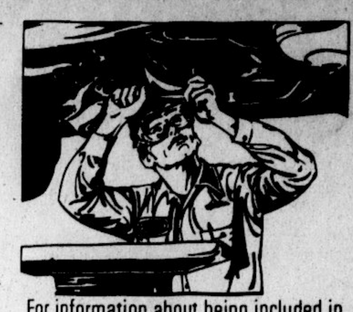

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CD review

Big Bad Voodoo Daddy

Big Bad Voodoo Daddy

9 OUT OF 10

JOHN DAVIS

A few facts from jazz history: swing music has occupied at least five percent of radio airplay since our grandparents were young go-getters back in the thirties. Although swing was at its height back then, it has continually risen back to the top of the pop culture consciousness since those days. (Thanks Mr. D.)

What with the national popularity of our great state's own Squirrel Nut Zippers, the recent hit movie *Swingers* and the rise of hundreds of new swing-oriented clubs all over the country, it's probably safe to say that the big bands are on the upswing yet again, which is fine with me, since swing is what originally got me into jazz in the first place.

Big Bad Voodoo Daddy are actually "the swing band from *Swingers*," as the advertising sticker on the front of the CD cover will inform you. Both of the songs that are featured in the Swingers sound-

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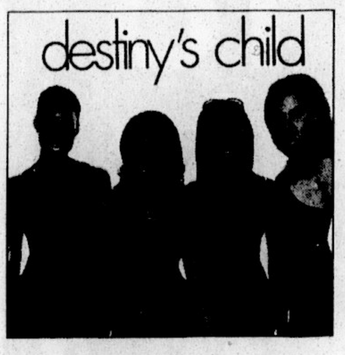

Destiny's Child

Destiny's Child

9 OUT OF 10

MAURICE BLUE
STAFF WRITER

So these are Destiny's kids.

Stemming as far back as 1990, the group now known as Destiny's Child, La Tavia, Le Toya, Beyonce and Kelly always thought that they were destined for success in music. It was a sign from God that one day when a picture of the group fell out of a Bible, there was the word "destiny" in boldface next to where the picture laid. (That's how the group started to formulate the name "Destiny's Child.") Since then,

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Solas shines their light on Irish music

Group peforms this weekend in New Bern

RON CHERUBINI JR.
SENIOR WRITER

Solas: (L to R) Karan Casey, Seamus Egan, John Doyle, Win Horan and Mick McAuley.
PHOTO BY ROSS HAMILTON

Saint Patrick's Day may have been on March 17, but for Solas, every day is an Irish celebration. Their music was born in Ireland, but is growing up in America and is rapidly gaining popularity.

Made up of five highly talented, energetic young musicians, Solas is considered one of the nation's premier Irish-American bands. With the rising tide of appreciation for the Celtic arts, the band, whose name in Gaelic means "light," serves as a youthful, yet no less authentic, representation of the traditional music of Ireland.

What began as a quintet playing a few festival concerts has grown into a full-time, nationally-touring band which presents traditional songs, reels, jigs, and airs. That the five members—Séamus Egan, Winifred Horan, John Doyle, Karan Casey, and newest member Mick McAuley—are well received is no surprise, but to what degree they have been accepted is phenomenal.

With the release of their second CD, *Sunny Spells and Scattered Showers* (1997), the group solidified itself as the leader in contemporary Irish music. Coming on the heels of their debut, self-titled album, *Solas* (1996), the band showed every bit the talent that had the Wall Street Journal touting them as being destined for the level of greatness that such Irish groups as the Chieftans and Altan have achieved.

The band formed as a quartet when Egan, Horan, Doyle and former member John Williams, came together to play a few festivals. The four musicians had all gained valuable experience in such venerated Celtic music groundbreakers as Cherish the Ladies, the Sharon Shannon Band, the Chanting House and Greenfields of America.

However, they were short a vocalist. After searching for one, the band found Casey not too far from where they all came together. In fact, Casey was Egan's neighbor in Manhattan.

Casey's impact on the group was instant. The young singer, who grew up in County Waterford in Ireland, brought a hauntingly enchanting and crystal clear sound to the already fine-tuned music of the group. Her ability to tap into the emotional underpinnings of a song and then convey them to the audience is impeccable, taking listeners on an exciting, winding emotional ride.

For example, her voice rattles the soul in *Love is No More*, a deep song of sadness, only to be followed by a blasting of emotional uplift in *Cradle to the Grave*. Perhaps Casey's knack understanding emotion springs from her background in

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the ones that got away

Some films never make it to the Emerald City.
Some are too controversial. Some are too small. Whatever the reason, we just never get to see some mighty good movies on the big screen.
When they hit video, however, they're ours for the taking. This series will look at some of the films that didn't make the Greenville cut, the ones that got away...

In the Company of Men can't be ignored

Film examines corporate life in the '90s

ANDY TURNER
LIFESTYLE EDITOR

Indignant bitching, take 342. Loosely translated, Independent Spirit Awards means recognition for small films that have a Banana-Berry Slurpee's chance in hell at ever making it to Greenville theatres.

Held this past weekend (and

Bastards at work.
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televised for the lucky few who have the Independent Film Channel), the ceremony featured a who's who of indie hipsters: Kevin Smith (who dedicated his Best Screenplay award to all the women who have ridiculed his itsy bitsy teenie weenie), Parker Posey, Atom Egoyan, John Turtorro, etc.

In the Company of Men, which recently landed in local video stores, picked up a couple of awards, including Best Debut Performance (Aaron Eckhart) and Best First Screenplay (Neil LaBute). The film has already received recognition from the New York Film Critics Circle Awards and it took the Filmmakers Trophy at the 1997 Sundance Film Festival.

If you want to, you could call it a more intelligent, indie *Falling Down* (the mad-as-hell-and-I'm-gonna-wear-horn-rimmed-glasses Michael Douglas vehicle).

Chad (Eckhart) and Howard (Matt Malloy) are dissatisfied corporate climbers on a six-week assignment to their company's regional office. Chad, aiming to "restore a little dignity" to their lives, convinces Howard to go along with a little proposal, which has the two finding a girl of particularly vulnerable stock, both dating, wining and dining her "until she's dizzy," then (upon completion of their six-week stay) dumping her.

Their victim is Christine (Stacey Edwards), a deaf secretary. While charming to her face, Chad mocks her behind her back, claiming she sounds like Flipper when she tries to talk. Edwards, who appears in the just released *Primary Colors*, is terrific. Her character is attractive, sweet and easy to fall for.

Even though he is Chad's supervisor on their assignment, Howard is an ineffectual follower; he laughs

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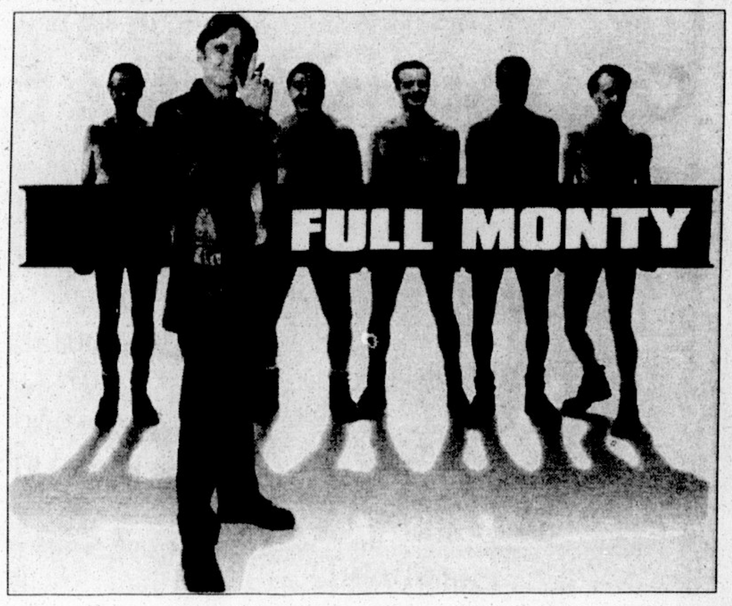
The Full Monty reveals more than saggy bums

Oscar does the Monty wrong

MARK BRETT
SENIOR WRITER

9 OUT OF 10



Cheeky monkeys.
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John Cleese once remarked that the greatest fear of British men is getting caught naked. I don't know how accurate he is, but keeping his comment in mind sure made *The Full Monty* a lot funnier. Just released on video, this low-budget British comedy has all the naked British men you'd ever care to see.

For those not in the know, *The Full Monty* is about six unemployed British steelworkers who decide to put on an all-male strip revue for cash. And they're not just going down to g-strings like those wimpy Chippendales; they're going for the full monty of the title: complete nudity. They're average-looking guys who don't know how to dance, not exactly the kind of people you really want to see naked, and therein lies the humor.

It's that simple, really. Naked men are inherently funny somehow, and this film takes advantage of that fact. But it's not *Dumb and Dumber* in a g-string; this film was worthy of the Best Original Screenplay Oscar it was nominated for. And that's because the British still practice a film genre that seems mostly dead in America: the comedy-drama.

You know, the kind of film that tells a good story in addition to its humor? With well-rounded characters who make you laugh because

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28 Saturday

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6 String Drag performs Thursday at Peasant's.
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jazz, a genre known worldwide for its emotional connections. Her vocal abilities are highlighted in "The Unquiet Grave" and "Vanished Like the Snow," two of the tracks on the group's latest release. She also breaks out her Gaelic in one of Solas' songs.

As breathtaking as Casey's vocals are, the musicianship displayed by the other members of Solas is no less awe-inspiring. Egan's ability to dazzle with no fewer than eight instruments—flute, tin whistle, low whistle, nylon-string guitar, four-string banjo, mandolin, bodhran (a hand-held frame drum) and uilleann pipes allows Solas to offer a continually varied sound.

Egan's music can be heard in the films, *The Brothers McMullen* and *Dead Man Walking* and, as is the case with all the members in Solas, he has released his own solo projects, including his latest entitled, *When Juniper Sleeps*, on which he employed the help of fellow Solas member Doyle, guitar-picking is characterized as hard-driving and his virtuosity in the Celtic style of play is clearly evident.

McAuley, who replaces button accordion player Williams with his own unique musicianship, is a master on the Kilkenny box bringing a more homegrown sound to the group.

Horan brings to the Irish music presentation an element of authenticity that few performers could. Her expertise on the fiddle combined with her ability to Irish step-dance lends itself well with the overall band concept of energy and action on stage.

Horan's talents were put to use in the classics, performing with a number of string quartets and orchestras including the Boston Pops, before she returned to her roots performing Irish song and dance.

First she played with an all-female Irish-American ensemble, Cherish the Ladies, then left to help form Solas. Her fiery, feisty fiddle play helps highlight a stage show that coaxes the audience to get off their feet and truly take part in the music.

With *Sunny Spells and Scattered Showers*, Solas took a big step, showing that they may indeed have what it takes to stick around for a while. The lyrics and music are rich with story and maturity. The CD has received critical acclaim in Irish Echo magazine, topping its list of top 10 Irish traditional recordings in 1997.

What also gives the group hopes for staying power is their stage show.

The five performers are comfortable performing as an ensemble, but when they break into seemingly impromptu duets and trios, the musical presentation takes on a whole new element—as if the audience was being treated to shows within the show. When Egan and Horan get together for a flute-fiddle piece, the impact on the crowd is stunning. Or when Eagan and Doyle pair, the acoustics become near-overwhelming. But there is more.

The music of Solas elicits, by its very nature, dance. Dancing is a large part of the Irish song celebration and the band does nothing but encourage it with its expert renditions of the traditional Irish song.

Crowd-pleasing music, awe-inspiring vocals, and a contagious level of energy bring to the stage an ethnic performance nearly unequaled.

Virtuosity and versatility, energy and soulfulness—Solas has only been around for a few years, yet they present al that is Irish music with a maturity that seems to have a thousand years of history behind it.

Note—Solas will be performing at 7:30 p.m. on Saturday, March 28, at Grover C. Fields Middle School in New Bern. Tickets are $12 for General Admission. For more information on tickets, call 919-514-6891 or 919-637-1817. This performance is sponsored in part by the Irish American Club of Eastern North Carolina.

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at Chad's jokes, weakly going along with all of Chad's cruelty. Malloy *(Simple Men, Mrs. Parker and the Vicious Circle)* is the perfect weenie (insert second weenie reference).

Eckhart may look like a rich man's Vince Vaughn, but his acting talent goes way beyond that of the swinger. Eckhart's Chad is king of the bastards: cruel, hateful, deceitful, selfish and any other characteristic of the stereotypical "anything goes" businessman you can think of.

Dear business majors, watch this movie. You don't want to be Chad. Certainly, the movie suggests that Chad's behavior is a result of the corporate, power-hungry environment he is a part of. He goes as far as to make a trainee "reveal" himself before he will recommend the trainee to a management training program.

The emotional investment of all those involved in Chad's ploy comes to a head at the conclusion of the film as characters (and audience alike) must decide how they really feel.

LaBute has fashioned an uncompromising story that is often funny and unsettling at the same time. Take it to the bank, you will be riled one way or the other after you watch it. And when a movie can have that effect on you, that's an accomplishment.

Can you match the following?

___ ISLAM — a. There are no gods or God.
___ BUDDHISM — b. There are 300,000 gods.
___ NEW AGE — c. There is one God who can be known in this life.
___ CHRISTIANITY — d. Human beings are God.
___ HINDUISM — e. There is one remote God who is the source of all good and evil.

Answers:
Islam–e; Buddhism–a; New Age–d; Christianity–c; Hinduism–b.

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they remind you of people you might know? The sort of thing that feels like real life?

Yeah, I know. Doesn't really ring a bell with me, either. Comedy-dramas are few and far between these days, probably because they require a little talent to write and produce, and don't easily lend themselves to explosions and silicon breasts.

But that's why *The Full Monty* is so very enjoyable. With its wrinkled faces and saggy butts, it's a refreshing change from the usual Hollywood fare. It's a lot easier to see our own lives reflected in these men concerned about impending financial doom and whether they're really attractive enough to take their clothes off.

If the humor inherent in naked men is at the core of the film's comedy, then that fear of being naked is at the core of the drama. All the men are a little nervous about stripping, as could be expected. When Gaz (*Trainspotting*'s Robert Carlyle), the "mastermind" behind the stripping scheme, brings the idea up, he meets with resistance and laughter. But eventually, the men who signed on out of desperation come to see it as a way to reclaim some control over their lives.

It's Gaz's best friend Dave (Mark Addy) who has the biggest problem adjusting. Dave is overweight, and when confronted with public nudity, he has to face a serious problem with his own body image. This kind of problem is addressed often with women, but for a big strapping lad like Dave, even having the problem is embarrassing. Though Gaz is struggling to get visitation rights with his son and the other four men involved in the plan have their own problems as well, it's Dave who has the most moving plight.

But *The Full Monty* is not all heavy drama and male social issues. It is a comedy, after all, and a good one at that. While the film does poke fun at the men's relatively unappealing bodies, it does so good-naturedly. Most of the humor derives from the strange situations Gaz and pals find themselves in. The scene in which our heroes buy their red leather g-strings is hysterical, as is a sequence when they get arrested for public exposure during practice.

If I sound like I'm avoiding the details, it's because I am. *The Full Monty* is filled with nice moments, but they're subtle and I don't want to ruin them with clumsy explanations. Just take my word for it and see this movie. It's well-worth the cost of the rental, and will probably leave you wondering why the only Oscar it won Monday night was for Best Original Score.

Lord knows I am.

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track are here on their debut album, as well as ten other high-energy tunes of equal (if not better) quality.

B.B.V.D. are actually a small "big band," with only eight members. There are four horns: trumpet, alto and baritone saxes, and a trombone. The rhythm section consists of the swing standard, piano, guitar, upright bass and drums. The band is straight up Kansas City despite its smallness. Though. B.B.V.D. are clearly not just along to ride the current wave of swing popularity. These cats are consummate swingers. They really know how to put it in the pocket.

The songs are bright, jumpy happy dance numbers, despite being unusually lyric-heavy. Like the Squirrel Nut Zippers, B.B.V.D.'s lyrics have been influenced by modern rock and pop lyric writing. With the exception of "Go Daddy-O," vocalist Scotty Morris stays away from the basic repetition and call-and-response that most classic swing songs had. Instead, Morris tends to become a sassy, sarcastic storyteller.

There isn't a bad song on the whole disc. Fans of *Swingers* will remember "You and Me and a Bottle Makes 3," and "Go Daddy-0" from the movie. These, of course are fast-paced, high-steppin' numbers. Other notable tunes include "Mr. Pinstripe Suit," a sparkin' spunky song, "Maddest Kind of Love," a creepy but catchy warning against too much casual sex (Morris' voice is *soooo* smooth on this track) and "Jump with My Baby," which features some of the best solos on the whole album. There's some nice collective soloing at the end of the tune that gives a kind nod back to Dixieland.

This music is above and beyond. If folks started playing this at senior proms instead of inviting local disc jockeys to play the same old tired radio songs, the world would be a better place.

Just imagine what the world would be like if kids everywhere started swinging instead of joining gangs. Then, when a totalitarian dictator wooed the whole country under his evil, purist, socialist spell, the "swing kids" alone would be the ones to resist his evil plans, even though they, too, would eventually fall to his evil schemes.

OK., maybe not. But *Big Bad Voodoo Daddy* is definitely worth adding to the CD collection.

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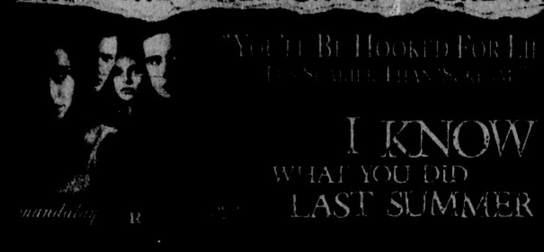

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Destiny

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they have been determined not to let anything stop them from succeeding in music.

So far, they've done a good job of that.

Taking the world by storm with their highly anticipated self-titled debut album, though the group is still in their teens (16-17 to be more precise), Destiny's Child is ahead of their time by dropping an album filled with smooth beats, sensuous lyrics and that unparalleled soulful sound. Though the album only contains 13 tracks, it is well worth its price tag. With Beyonce singing lead, the group delivers what it promises, that being four lovely ladies just doing what they love.

The first single off the album, "No, No, No," is a sweet song that helps you relax as you listen to its mellow overtones and smooth lyrical flow. It tells the story of a man that is in love with his woman, but hides his affection for her in front of his boys. (Don't front. You know you really want it.) The song's remix, featuring Wyclef Jean of the Refugee Camp, is also featured on the album. It tells the same story, but it is set to a faster beat and is intended for you to dance to. Another nice song is "Killing Time," which tells of lost love, but she hopes that he will return to her and as long as she still loves him, she'll be waiting. The song is beautiful and a little down in the same loop, but it encourages the idea that true love will never die.

What is bad about the album? Is there one? Oh, yeah. The only misfire on the album was part two of the song "With Me." The song is actually good, part one featuring So So Def CEO Jermaine Dupri, is cool, but part two featuring Master P, is a big turn-off. (Actually, if they dumped Master P and got someone with talent on the song, it would have been much better.) That's the only negative thing about the album.

But if the sound of the group isn't enough, the CD includes a couple of bonuses. The CD not only has music, it has multimedia. If you have access to a CD-ROM, you can watch and listen to the group's bios, a documentary that tells of the group's history, and the entire video of "No, No, No" (part two). Also included is a bonus three-track CD entitled Young Soul Power which features tracks from Destiny's Child, Jagged Edge and Kimberly Scott. It's a nice plus.

Wrapping this up, Destiny's Child will achieve their goals as long as they keep performing the best they can possibly do. Keep you eyes open for anything new that the group is involved in. When you pass by the CD at the music store, pick it up, and when you're pondering whether or not to buy it, say, "Yes, Yes, Yes."

Bronze at Bradford

Golf team captures third place finish at Pepsi Intercolligiate Tournament, held at the Bradford Creek Country Club

TRACY HAIRR
STAFF WRITER

Spring Break involved no rest for the ECU golf team this year. Instead, on March 14 the players traveled to Charlotte where they competed in the Birkdale Collegiate Classic, a 54-hole tournament hosted by UNC-Charlotte. Saturday was scheduled to include the first two rounds, but due to uncompromising weather, the action was not continued until Sunday. The Pirates finished in 14th place, but their game playing did not end.

Golf Fast Facts
Seven of the 10 ECU golfers are natives of NC. Freahmen Victor Johansson travels the farthest of all, coming all the way from Sweden.

Kevin Miller

On Monday the golf team participated in the Cleveland Golf Collegiate Championship, held at Palmetto Golf Club in Aiken, S.C. This was another 54-hole event completed in two days. Senior Kevin Miller and sophomore Marc Miller were listed among the top ten players in the tournament.

Marc Miller

"Both Kevin and Marc did really well this week. For Kevin especially, this is a time when he's got a lot of pressure on him," Coach Kevin Williams said.

By the end of the third round, M. Miller was tied for 17th place and K. Miller dropped from the eighth position and tied for 27th. ECU carded 11th place out of the 12 teams that competed.

The eventful pattern did not stop for the team, though, since they were back on the road and traveling back home to prepare for the Pepsi Intercollegiate Friday and Saturday. This tournament was a participant in the Rolex Collegiate Tour, including over 200 men's and women's regional and national golf championships.

Once on the familiar grounds of Bradford Creek Golf Club, the team's performance improved dramatically.

"We had a pep talk that wasn't real nice," Williams said. "I questioned the competitiveness of the players and told them I hoped to get more. It's time to show we're worthy of playing golf here."

Golf Fast Facts
Assistant Coach Gary Carpenter was a member of ECU's 1994 CAA Championship team, a season that marked the Pirates fifth consecutive league title.

This last tournament also featured three rounds in a two-day period.

"Back-to-back rounds are really tiring," M. Miller said. "It's better when 54 holes are stretched out for three days. And the weather wasn't real good either. It was either cold or raining on and off so we couldn't play easily."

Regardless of these uncomfortable conditions, ECU ended the Pepsi tournament in third place, capturing their best finish this season.

"I think everyone felt better about the way they played at home. We were more relaxed," M. Miller said.

Golf Fast Facts
There is only one senior on the golf team this year, Kevin Miller from Erwin, NC Miller was selected in 1997 as ECU's Most Valuable Athlete.

School	Score
1. Maryland U of	861
2. Coastal Carolina	864
3. East Carolina	867
4. Akron U of	867
5. N Car. Charlotte	869
6. N Car Wilmington	870
7. James Madison	873
8. South Car- Aiken	877
9. Cambell University	878
10. Toledo U of	878
11. Seton Hall	878
12. Tenn-Chattanooga	881
13. Old Dominion	885
14. Liberty Univesity	890
15. Richmond Univ of	892
16. Davidson College	901
17. ECU Purple	908
18. High Point	912

Lady Pirates go undefeated in Florida

Softball improves record to 16-11

SCOTT ROSE
SENIOR WRITER

The softball team traveled to Florida for a round robin tournament over spring break where they put their wining streak on the line. After all was said and done, the Lady Pirates continued their winning streak to 14 games.

This tournament is not like any other, lasting for the entire month of March. When school let out for spring break, the athletes traveled to Orlando. There they play 10 games in five days of doubleheaders. There were no winners or losers in the tournament.

There were over 30 teams in Orlando. Although the Lady Pirates did not play every team, they are the only team to go undefeated in the month of March.

"I am extremely pleased with the way my girls played this week," Head Coach Tracey Kee said.

On the first day of the tournament, ECU won both of its games, defeating Fordham 8-3 in the first game and Rhode Island in the second game.

After the first inning in game number one, ECU was down 3-1, then scored three runs in the third and four more runs in the fifth. After giving up three runs in the first, Jamie Bendle took control of the game by keeping Fordham scoreless. Bendle improved her record to 5-3 on the year.

In the second game ECU outscored Rhode Island 4-2 to complete the sweep of the first day of play. Pitching for the Pirates was freshman Lisa Paganini, who held Rhode Island to just four hits. ECU scored in two runs in both the third and sixth innings. In the top of the sixth with a tied score, Dawn Conrad hit her first career home run to give the Lady Pirates the lead in the final inning. The play proved to be the game winner along with the solid pitching of the ECU staff.

Day two was much like the first, with two opponents and two ECU wins. In the first game ECU shut out Manhattan 7-0, and in the second they beat Southeast Missouri State 2-0. Once again Paganini pitched an outstanding game, giving up only three hits and keeping Manhattan off the scoreboard. This was her second win in as many days. In the second game ECU scored one run in both the second and fifth innings to chalk up the victory. Starting pitcher Denise Reagan took the victory by giving up just five hits and no runs. It marked her third victory in a row and evened her record for the season at 4-4.

So far the Lady Pirates are undefeated in the month of March.
PHOTO BY CLAY BUCK

For the third day in a row the Lady Pirates won both games, beating Rider in the first game 8-0 and Vermont in the second 4-0. In the first game Niki Andrews hit her first career home run to extend the lead to three after two innings of play. ECU scored in every inning of the game. Bendle's pitching marked her 70th victory here at ECU.

In the second game the Lady Pirates scored two runs in the first and fifth innings to defeat Vermont. Reagan once again kept the opponent off the scoreboard for the second day in a row.

On the fourth day ECU beat Yale 7-5 and Fordham once again 9-1. Yale broke the 31-inning scoreless streak with three runs in the third inning to make the game 4-3 pirates. In the fourth inning the Lady Pirates scored three runs to build the lead back up to four. Bendle came in and pitched two innings, earning herself the

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"I am extremely pleased with the way my girls played this week."

Tracey Kee
Head Softball Coach

Fantastic on the field!

Randy Rigsby of the ECU baseball team was honored as CAA Player-of-the-Week on March 16 as the first selection of the season for the conference.

Denise Reagan of the ECU softball team was chosen as the conference's Pitcher-of-the-Week.

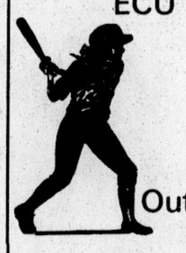
Isonette Polonius of the ECU softball team was also selected as CAA Player-of-the-Week.

Christi Valevich of the ECU softball team was selected the Big South Co-Player-of-the-Week.

Congratulations!

Highlights of the Rebel Games

ECU 10-0 only undefeated team



31 scoreless

Outscored their opponents 60-12

14 game winning streak kept alive

Baseball team picks up five wins over break

Thomson breaks school record for saves in a season

JASON THURINGER
SENIOR WRITER

During spring break while most of the ECU student body was relaxing, the baseball team was very busy. From March 11- 22, the Pirates played nine games, winning five and losing four.

The first of the nine games was played at Wake Forest. Senior Randy Rigsby led the Pirates by bringing in three RBIs on two sacrifice flies and a single. ECU's pitchers were stung for 13 hits in the 11–5 loss.

On Saturday, March 14, the Pirates opened the conference section of their schedule with a three-game series at William and Mary. In the opener ECU bats came alive to the tune of 20 hits which yielded 13 runs. Pirate pitchers held the Tribe to four runs on six hits. The nightcap of Saturday's doubleheader was a much closer game, but the result was still the same: an ECU victory.

The Pirates completed the sweep of William and Mary on Sunday with a 5–3 victory. For the series Rigsby was 7–13 with 5 RBIs. This strong showing helped Rigsby earn the first CAA Player-of-the-Week nomination of the year.

On the March 17, Campbell University came to Greenville for one game. Though the Camels led for most of the game, the Pirates came out on top 10–9 with tremendous efforts from freshman John Williamson, who scored a dramatic two-run home run in the bottom of the eighth inning. Junior Travis Thomson pitched the ninth inning to pick up his fourth save of the season, which ties a school record for saves in one season.

The day after beating Campbell the Pirates continued their winning streak with an 8–5 victory over Coastal Carolina. Thomson picked up his fifth save of the season, posting a new school record.

The following game was scheduled for Friday, March 19 against Coastal Carolina in Conway, S.C., but it was rained out with no make-up date set. Eager to reschedule a game date, Coach Keith LeClair was able to schedule a game with N.C. State for April 1 to be played in Wilson at Flemming Stadium.

The Pirates' CAA home opener was held on Saturday, March 21 with the Virginia Commonwealth Rams coming to town. ECU's winning streak was put to a halt at five games with a 12 inning 8–9 loss.

On Sunday the two teams squared off in a doubleheader. VCU came out on top in both games with 7–4 and 5–3 victories. In the first game on Sunday, Williamson hit his eighth home run of the season, which has him tied for second place in the CAA.

Baseball

March 11 @ Wake Forest	L 5–11
March 14 @ William and Mary	W 13–4
Double header	W 4–3
March 15 @ William and Mary	W 5–3
March 17 Campbell	W 10–9
March 18 Coastal Carolina	W 8–5
March 21 VCU	L 8–9
March 22 VCU	L 7–4
Double header	L 5–3

FOOTBALL NOTES ...

The ECU football team will begin its 1998 spring practive today. Their 15-practice drill session will come to a close on Sat. April 25. Returning to field from last season will be five offensive and eight defensive starters, while both the punter and the placekicker will return as well. Head coach Steve Logan will mark his seventh year at ECU, and has compiled a 36-32 record to date.

Kentucky debate remains unresolved

Attorney General requests additional information

TRAVIS BARKLEY
SENIOR WRITER

While ECU's football schedule has been completed for more than a month, questions regarding Kentucky's withdrawal remain.

The Pirates will play the University of Tennessee Chattanooga on Sept. 12th, but ECU officials are still pursuing possible legal action against Kentucky.

Kentucky backed out of the ECU game because of a scheduling change with arch rival Louisville. For the first time in many years, Kentucky will play in Louisville. As a result, Kentucky decided they needed to schedule another home game, and sent a check to ECU for 175,000 dollars to go along with a broken three-game contract.

University Attorney Ben Irons said that investigation of the matter is ongoing.

"The Attorney General is still gathering information from Kentucky and the University of Louisville," Irons said. "The Attorney General has requested that Louisville provide documents related to the situation."

Irons said that legal action against Kentucky would depend on the information that they get from Louisville.

"Right now it is a matter of wait and see," Irons said.

The cancellation of the 1998 game has disrupted the 1999 schedule as well. ECU was slated to play in Kentucky next year.

"At this point there are several holes in the 1999 schedule," said Norm Reilly, sports information director at ECU. "It would be premature to rule out going to Kentucky."

Even though Chattanooga is a Division 1-AA school, a new rule instituted by the NCAA will allow a victory over the Moccasins to count as a Division 1-A win.

To qualify for a post-season bowl game, a team must have six wins against Division 1-A opponents. The new rule will allow 1-A schools to count one win against an 1-AA school towards bowl eligibility every three years. That makes the loss of Kentucky easier to handle, even though a team from the SEC would be a bigger draw than Chattanooga.

Irons said that this situation is highly unusual, but could give no time-table as to when the situation will be resolved.

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Football

Fast Facts

- Spring Practice starts March 26.
- Pirates return five starters on offense, eight on defense, as well as their punter and placekicker.
- Center Danny Moore named first-team All-Conference USA.
- Linebackers Roderick Coleman, Jeff Kerr, cornerback Dwight Henry, and punter Andrew Bayes were named to the second team.
- Pirates set home attendance mark. An average of 32,875 attended home games in 1997, breaking the old mark of 32,814 set in 1992.

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Mens and womens track teams open outdoor season on the "right foot"

Pirates begin with Weems Baskin event

STEPHEN SCHRAMM
SENIOR WRITER

The ECU men's and women's track teams kicked off their outdoor seasons last weekend at the Weems Baskin Invitational at the University of South Carolina. Despite some personnel problems and a shaky indoor season, the Pirates enter the outdoor season feeling confident. The move to the outdoor circuit gives the teams a clean slate and formats that fit their style.

The mens team started off the first day of the competition with the 4x300 relay. The Pirates' strong team was hoping for a good showing from senior Marcus Gladden, who suffered an injury in practice the previous week.

"We had a fairly good sized lead in the 4x3 and then Marcus just ran as hard as he could," said Head Coach Bill Carson.

Unfortunately, the Pirates lost the lead due to Gladden's leg.

"Derek Ingram caught up to the South Carolina guy but stumbled towards the end, because he really gave all he could," Carson said.

ECU finished second in the event.

On Friday the Pirates also saw freshman Steve Arnold take third in the 3,000 meters.

The second day saw the Pirate relay teams shine. The 4x400 team finished first with a time of 3:16.03. The 4x100 team finished second with a time of 41.58. The team's finish was made more impressive by the fact that one of the team's regulars was injured and another was not with the team at the meet. The 4x200 team finished third with a 1:26.50, while the B squad was sixth at 1:28.49. Also the Pirates distance medley relay team came in second. The four top-five finishes on the second day enabled the Pirates to finish second overall to host South Carolina.

"We ran fairly well, but we didn't pass the baton well," Carson said. "We thought we could win the whole meet."

The Pirates come from the meet with a few key injuries but confidence from a good showing.

"Now we have to regroup and get back on the same level with the guy that we've got," Carson said.

The womens team experienced a slow start to their outdoor campaign.

"We didn't run great, but I didn't expect them to run good times right off the bat," said Head Coach Charles "Choo" Justice.

On the first day the team was led by the 4x300 meter relay team, which finished third with a time of 2:47.05. The first day also saw the field events take center stage. Freshman Marshari Williams placed third in the long jump with a jump of 10.64 meters. The Pirate throwers got their first chance of the season to compete in events such as the javelin and the hammer throw. Junior Jennifer Prevatt placed sixth in the javelin. Teammate Eva Eiroma followed in eighth. In the hammer Prevatt finished eighth and teammate Margaret Clayton placed ninth.

Saturday the throwers continued their strong performances. Freshman Crystal Frye placed ninth in the shotput. Frye also placed 10th in the discus behind Eiroma, who wound up ninth.

The Pirates also fared well in the jumps. Junior Saundra Teel placed fourth in the high jump, clearing 1.60 meters. Williams and Teel finished third and fourth respectively in the long jump rounding out a strong ECU showing in the field events.

"Our field event girls did well," Justice said. "The jumpers and throwers did a great job."

In the distance events, freshman Fran Lattie finished sixth in the 800 with a time of 2:24.94. Senior Barbara Wood placed third in the 5,000 at 20:17.90.

The 4x200 relay team finished fourth in 1:45.35. The distance medley also finished fourth in 4:38.48.

The relays suffered from a lack of practice due to spring break.

"Our relays didn't click," Justice said. "Our handoffs weren't there because they hadn't practiced together for a week."

Though the meet was not one of the team's finest, it will prove valuable later in the season.

"We took 20 girls down there, and 13 or 14 were freshmen," Justice said. "The experience of their first college meet should count for something."

REC SERVICES

ECU rugby program dominates in Savannah Shamrock tournament

The ECU Men's Rugby Club traveled to Savannah, Ga., over the March 14 weekend to participate in the 20th-annual Savannah Shamrocks St. Patrick's Day tournament.

The annual trip by the team proved to be a successful one as the Pirates came home with the championship trophy in the college division.

Using an intimidating defense and a potent offensive attack, the Pirates outscored all of their opponents by a combined score of 70-10 on their way to the championship.

The Pirates set the tone of the tournament in the first game by defeating Wabash College of Indiana with a score of 21-0. Eric Kunkel started the scoring by taking a pass from Brian Kennedy 35 meters into the try zone for a 5-0 lead. Brian Best added the conversion to give ECU a 7-0 halftime lead. The second half would see continued ECU dominance as the Pirates added two more scores by Brian Kennedy and captain Robert Manning. The 60-meter run by Manning late in the second half capped a nearly flawless game by ECU as they cemented their place in the winner's bracket going into the second game.

The second game for ECU would prove to be their only test of the tournament. Facing the determined and quick offensive backline of Mary Washington College, the Pirates were forced to rely on the aggressive play of their defensive pack led by Manning. Mary Washington took the early lead with a score from 30 meters out and added a conversion to take a 7-0 lead. The Pirates would not be denied, though, and tied the score two minutes later with a score from flanker Matt Webb.

With the score tied going into the second half, ECU kept up the momentum and kept the offensive threat of Mary Washington out of the Pirate zone for the rest of the game. The defensive pack of ECU would once again rise up and save the day for the Pirates when Kevin Sellers scored from five meters out to give ECU a 12-7 win.

In the championship game, ECU faced a Georgia Southern team full of confidence coming off a convincing victory over the University of Wisconsin. ECU would dominate the game from the start, though, and cruise to a 37-3 victory.

The Pirates combined an intimidating offensive attack with a smothering defensive pack to keep Georgia Southern at bay the entire game. Georgia Southern never established an attack and were harassed all day by a determined Pirate game plan. Best led all scoring with one try, two penalty kicks and three conversions. Kunkel and Sellers added one try each, and Kendall Jones rounded out a successful day for the Pirates with two trys.

Fans can still see the ECU rugby team in action at Aycock Middle School. The Pirates' next home game is April 4 against Cherry Point. Additional home games include Cape Fear on April 18 and the University of Maryland on April 25. All home games start at 1 p.m.

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Tennis season continues strong as finale approaches

Pirates prepare for weekend of conference action

MARIO SCHERHAUFER
STAFF WRITER

The Lady Pirates used their time off during spring break to recover from a five-game tournament held at Hilton Head Island. The women's tennis team ended up with a 2-3 record, defeating Toledo and Charleston Southern, while losing their final three matches to the College of Charleston, Indiana State and Bowling Green State.

Their match at UNCW last week was canceled due to heavy rain, giving the Lady Pirates enough time to prepare for their upcoming games.

"If everybody gets their game together we can win all three games in Washington this weekend," senior Mona Eek said.

The Lady Pirates, currently 4-5 (0-0), will play two conference games against George Mason University tomorrow and against American University on Saturday in Washington, D.C. They will finish their tournament at the nation's capital on Sunday against Georgetown University.

Eek is preparing for her last home game as a college athlete coming up on April 4 against Elon College.

"It will be a very emotional match for me, but I'm sure that we'll do very well, especially if we can continue our good game," Eek said.

Unlike the men's team, nobody in the women's team suffers any injury. According to Eek, the women are very optimistic for their upcoming games. "Our team has a very solid bottom, which helps us out in a lot of our matches," Eek said. "Additionally, Anne [Svae] and I are playing our best matches for ECU in a long time."

According to Eek, the doubles will be the crucial factor for their matches. "We were working on that this week," Eek said. "I only hope that the weather will be good so we can start playing our first conference games. We are all fired up."

Bad weather also was the reason for the cancellation of the men's game last Tuesday against Campbell University.

The men's team started out their trip to Columbia, S.C., the week before spring break by losing against No. 28-ranked South Carolina University, 0-5.

"Three of the four singles games were decided in a close third set, and we even had the chance to win the doubles match," Stephen Siebenbrunner said.

The Pirates defeated George Mason 4-1 in its CAA league opener two days later at Hilton Head Island, S.C. The match, delayed throughout the day due to inclement weather, included only six singles matches. The Pirates took four of the six, winning at the No. 2, No. 4, No. 5 and No. 6 positions. Brett Rowley, Derek Slate and Stephen Siebenbrunner won in straight sets, while Roope Kalajo came back to win at No. 2 singles, 4-6, 6-1, 6-1. Kalajo almost had to forfeit the game due to an Achilles tendon injury.

"I couldn't even run and had to drop the first set," Kalajo said. "I don't know how long it's going to take to be all right, but it doesn't look too good for the next few games."

On their way back to Greenville the team played Charleston Southern University in Charleston, S.C. Although ECU's top three singles players won their matches over the Buccaneer opponents, they couldn't compensate Kalajo's absence and suffered a close 4-3 loss.

On Friday the men's tennis team will battle American University in Raleigh before the team comes back to Greenville the next day to host James Madison University at 2 p.m.

Lady Pirates

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win and improving her record to 7-3.

As the week closed, ECU played Fordham and once again beat them. In only five innings the Lady Pirates scored nine runs. The game was called due to the eight-run rule. Isonette Polonius had two RBIs in the second and built the lead to four. After one run in the fourth, the Lady Pirates scored four more in the fifth. Conrad and Andrews had RBI hits in the fifth inning before the game was called.

On the fifth and final day of the tournament, ECU beat Army 7-1 and Fairfield 4-0. The Lady Pirates scored four runs in the second and three more in the fifth to give Bendle a seven-run cushion. Bendle took the win and improved her record to 8-3 on he season.

In the second game Polonius hit two home runs to play the hero role for the Lady Pirates. This was her third home run of the day. Solid pitching along with the bat of Polonius gave ECU an easy time with Army and Fairfield.

"Even though there are no winners, we were the only team to go undefeated," Kee said.

The Lady Pirates improved their record to 16-11 after the Rebel Games and will play in the Sports Plus Classic this weekend.

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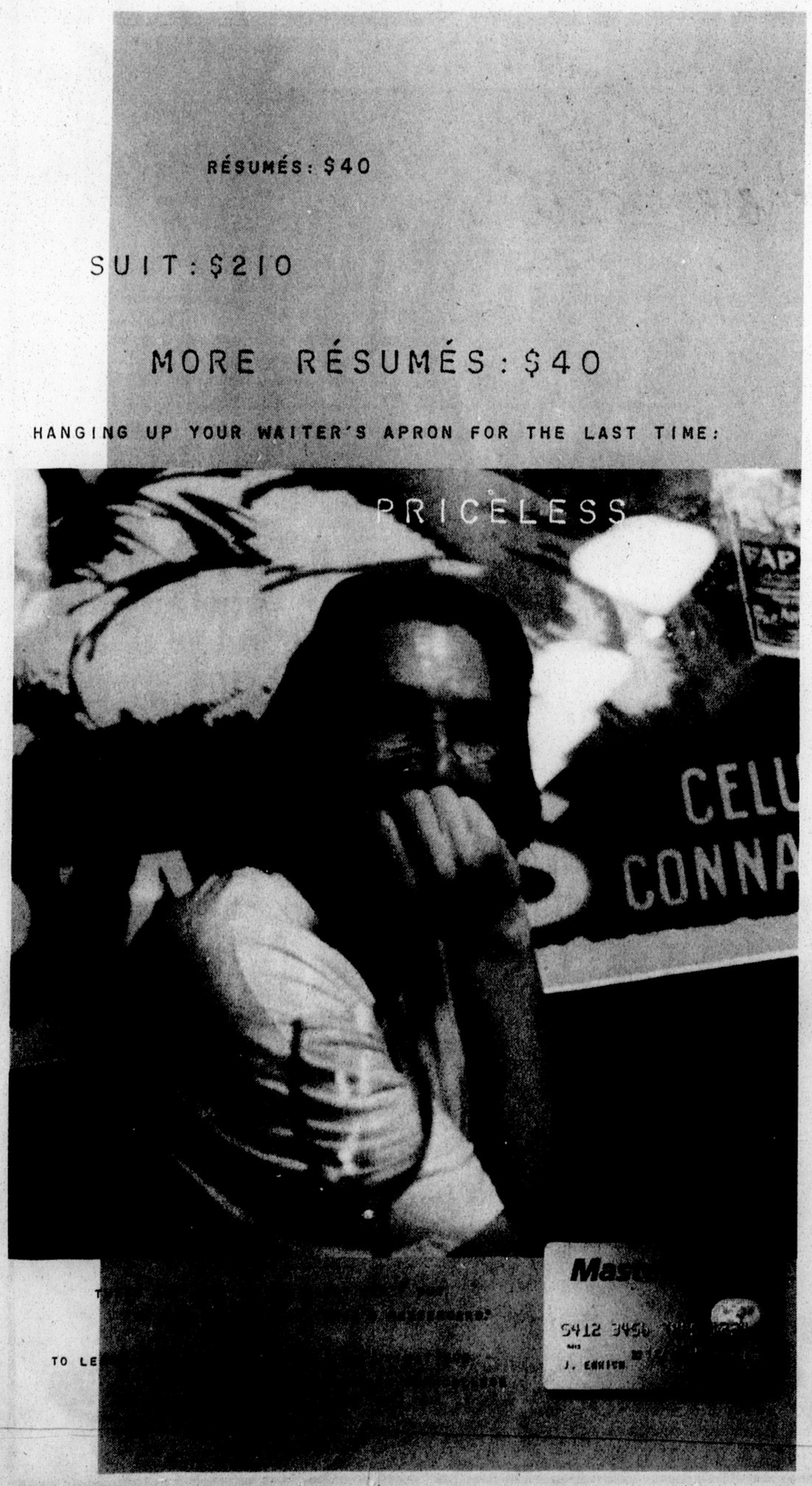

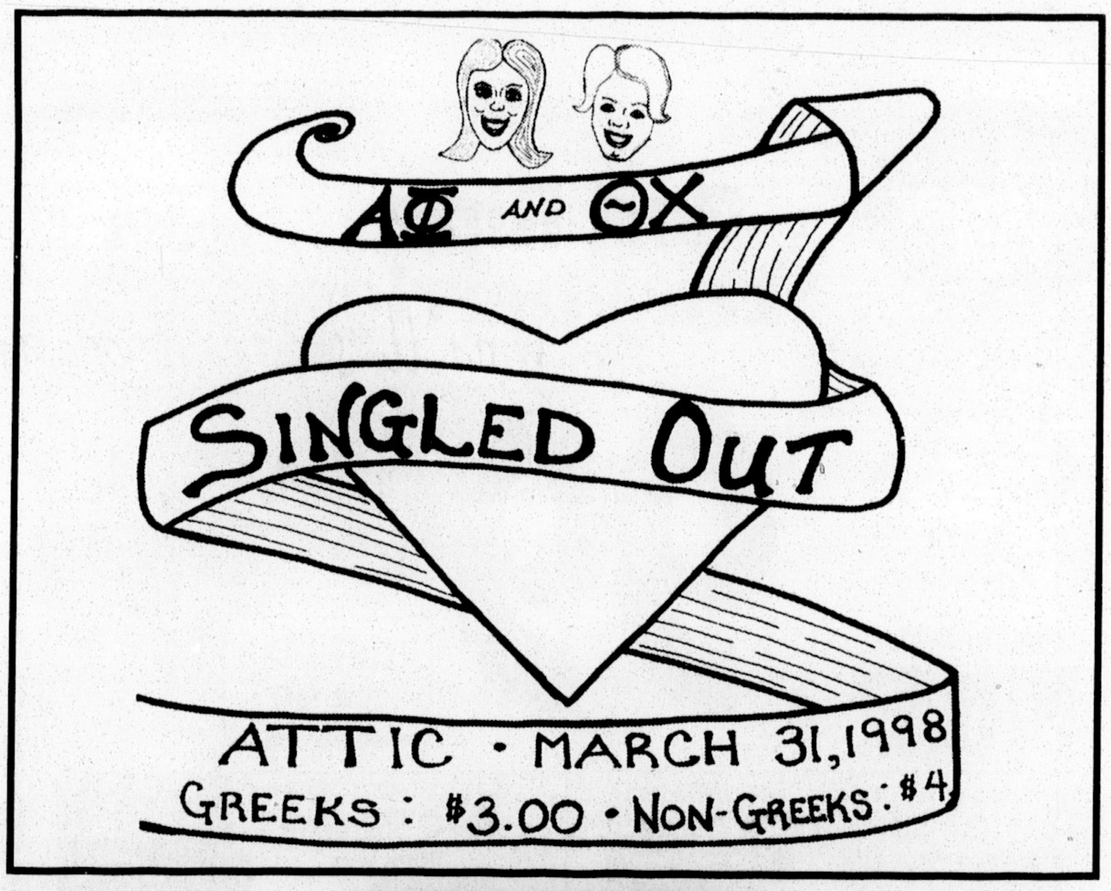

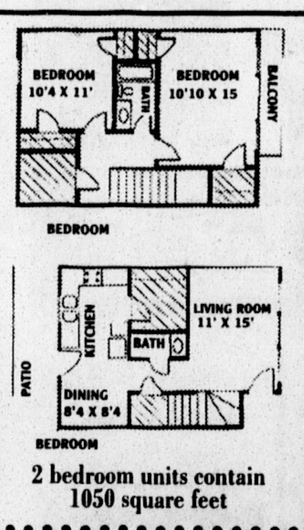

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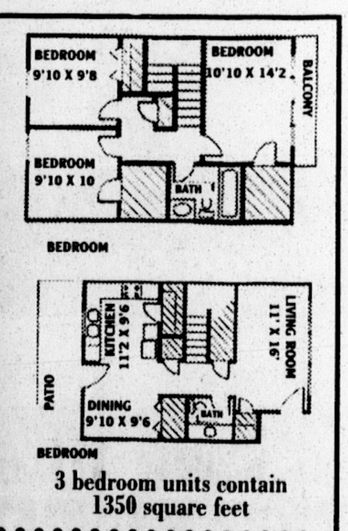

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Registration Terminal Locations

School or Dept.	Location	Hours Open	# of Terminals at site
School of Allied Health	Anx 1/CSDI Office	8:00-12:00	1
Total - 7	Anx 6/PA Office	8:00-12:00	1
	310 EHL/BIOS	8:00-10:00/2:00-4:00	1
	306 OCCT Office	8:00-12:00	1
	Anx 3/PTHE Office	8:00-12:00/2:00-4:00	1
	308 CLSC/HIMA	8:00-12:00/2:00-4:00	1
	312 REHB Office	8:00-10:00/2:00-4:00	1
School of Art	Jenkins Fine Arts Center	8:00-12:00/1:00-3:00	2
Total - 2	BW Senior Gallery		
School of Business	GCB 3209	8:00-3:00	1
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	GCB 3414	8:00-5:00	1
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	GCB 3105	8:00-4:45	1
	GCB 3203	8:00-5:00	1
School of Education	Speight 102A	8:00-12:00/1:00-4:00	1
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	GCB 2318	8:00-4:00	1
	Flanagan 357	8:00-4:00	1
	Joyner 103	8:00-4:00	1
School of Health/	MC 171	8:00-12:00/2:00-4:00	1
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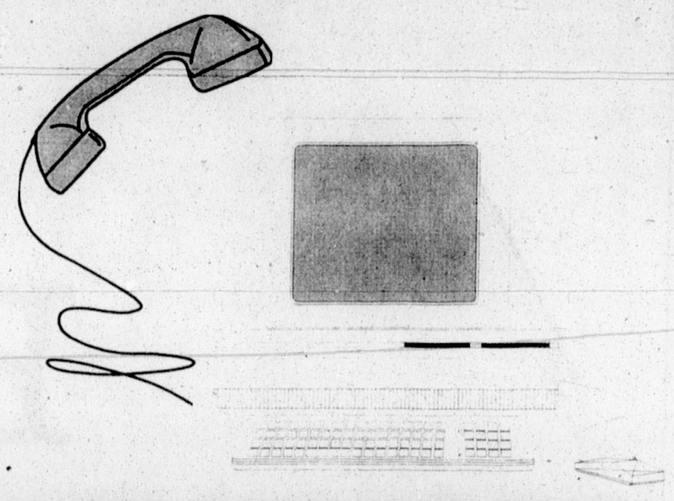

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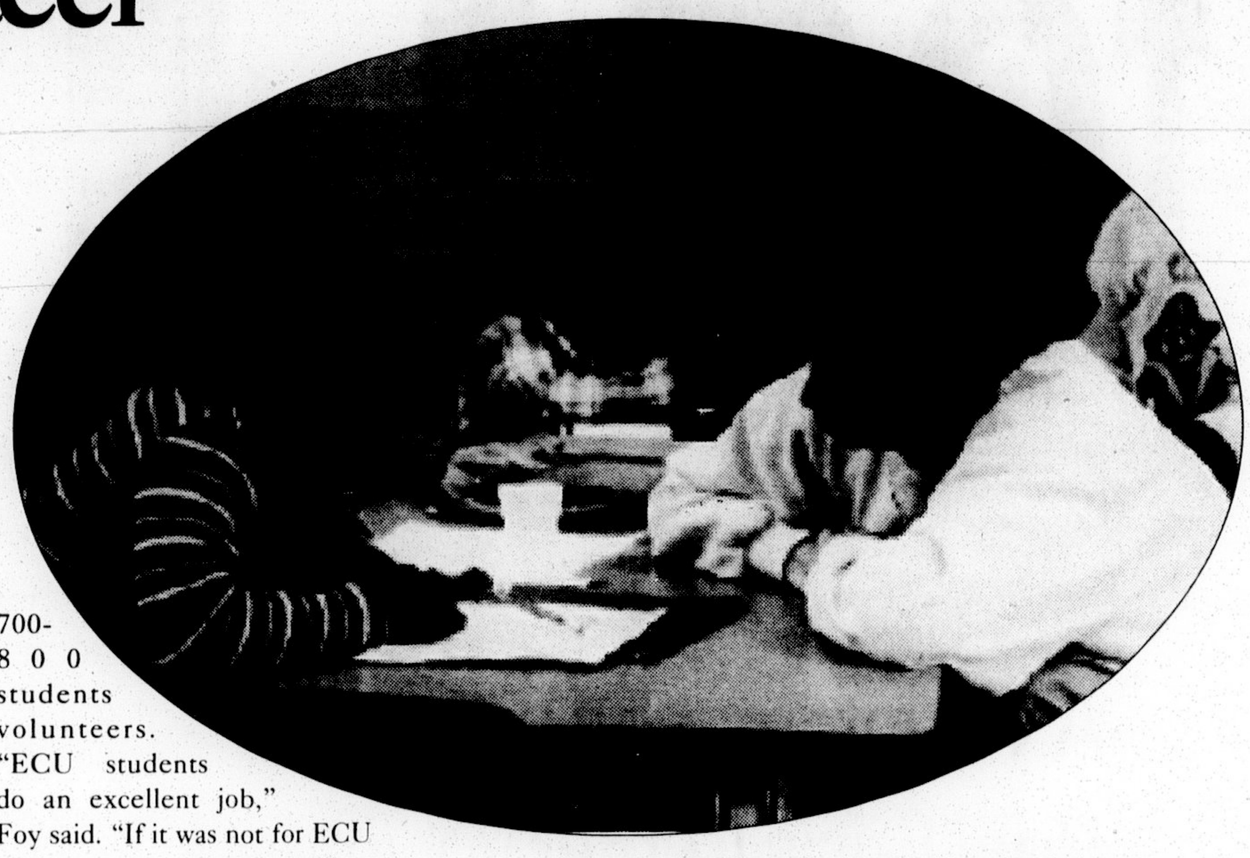
VOLUNTEERISM

Student Volunteer Program 7000 strong



A student volunteers at Wahl-Coats Elementary School in an after-school program.
PHOTO BY CLAY BUCK

"There is a light in all of us. We only need to share it. Do something good. Feel something real."

ECU student volunteer program poster.

Judy Baker provides for 68 agencies

KERRY S. WATSON
FOCUS SECTION WRITER

Outside Christenbury 201, a poster on the bulletin board reads: "There is a light in all of us. We only need to share it. Do something good. Feel something real." Welcome to the office of the ECU student volunteer program.

From the size of this small office, one would think nothing goes on here, but the opposite is true. Judy Baker, director of the ECU student volunteer program, has more than 7,000 forms, filled out from ECU students who are volunteering. "And that's not counting the students that just went out ton their own and the sororities and fraternities that I talk to about volunteering," Baker said.

The ECU student volunteer program started out small. But, with the help of Baker, and the students of ECU, the program has 68 agencies ranging from Adventures in health to PICASO (the Pitt County Aids Service Organization.) A list, provided by the student volunteer program, contains all 69. This list contains contacts for the agencies, what type of activities they do there, and what special events they plan. For example, the Little Willie Center is a program for latch-key, home-alone at risk kids. Volunteers are needed to drive vans, assist with computers, be coaches and be Girl Scout and Boy Scout leaders. The list also gives addresses on each agency and contact persons.

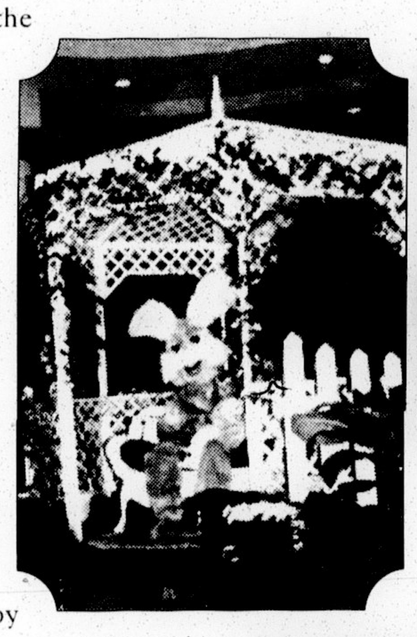
Baker said that ECU students are really making a difference with their volunteering. Sharon Schlichting, with the Literacy Volunteers of America-Pitt County, says that ECU students are wonderful. Students have installed computer programs, helped with the spelling bee and have been hostesses.

"We rely heavily on ECU students," says Suzy Walker, from the Ronald McDonald House.

Dean Foy, with the Special Olympics, says that throughout the year his organization receives 700-800 students volunteers. "ECU students do an excellent job," Foy said. "If it was not for ECU students our program would not be what it is today." The program is one of the largest Special Olympics programs in the state.

What can volunteerism do for you? It can help you gain experience that may help you get a job and it can help you decide on a major by actually getting out and working in your field of choice. It can also help you make a difference in someone's life.

The purpose of the program is to keep people volunteering. It doesn't matter why you go the first time, what matters is that you keep going back. Volunteering is ongoing . . . it never stops. "It becomes very personal," Bakers says " You learn something everyday, and that is important to me . . . if you don't learn anything, then why do you live?"



Students are helping out at the Plaza's Easter Bunny program.
PHOTO BY JASON FEATHER

To get involved in the ECU student volunteer program:

- Go to Christenbury 201
- Ask Judy Baker for a list of agencies, and look it over
- Fill out a risk-management insurance sheet (it's free)
- Go volunteer!

Source: unknown

REAL Crisis Center provides many programs

Volunteers trained for variety of crises

ELLEN FLETCHER
FOCUS SECTION WRITER

It's 3 a.m. and the phone rings again. A girl is crying because her boyfriend has broken up with her. She needs someone to talk to and right now she knows the person on the other end will listen.

How does she know this? She knows because she is talking to a volunteer from the REAL Crisis Center. The center is a private non-profit organization for anyone who needs help. It is open 24 hours a day, seven days a week and counseling is free and confidential. Although it is known for its phone lines, the REAL Crisis Center also does walk-in, group and off-site counseling.

"We are a vary busy organization," said Tracy Scott, program coordinator. "We receive anywhere from 400-450 phone calls a month. And that's just our crisis line."

ECU students started the REAL Crisis Center 27 years ago. It began as a campus organization set up for drug counseling and a place for peers to talk to someone. Today it is much more.

In addition to telephone counseling, the REAL Crisis Center also houses the Rape Crisis Program for Pitt County.

"When they call us, we will meet them at the hospital, go through police interviews with them and even sit with them through the court process if they want us to," said Scott, who is also a Pitt County rape victim advocate. The center is also trying to start a support support group for rape victims in the court system. It would provide explanations of all the legal terms and processes victims sometimes would never know.

The REAL Crisis Center provides community outreach programs in which volunteers visit high schools or local sororities and fraternities and speak on subjects such as rape or sexual assault.

The center also provides information through its Child Care Options program, a non-profit child care resource and referral service that serves parents, providers of child care and employees in Pitt County and the surrounding areas.

"We give out information on anything from in-home care to nutritional food guidelines," Scott said.

The REAL Crisis Center has 46 volunteers and will be adding another 20 from the next training class. The volunteers go through a 56-hour training program. There are 32 hours of class time, twice a week for eight weeks. The volunteers have homework and are tested on the material. They then enter the center and do a 24-hour internship in three-hour increments.

"We are very proud of our training program," Scott said.

The volunteers, all of whom are ECU students, are trained in every area of crisis. They begin the classes with crisis intervention and learn the dynamics of domestic violence, sexual assault and suicidology

"Everyone is trained for everything," Scott said. "And we make sure the volunteers are able to handle any type of situation."

The REAL Crisis Center has come a long way in 27 years. From drug counseling to helping rape victims, the volunteers have done it all.

"It's definitely not a depressing environment," Scott said. "Sometimes our clients don't realize how far they have come. But we do, and that's a rewarding feeling."

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Tracy Scott
program coordinator

Mentor program TARGETS at risk teens

Students serve as role models

BOBBIE PERRY
FOCUS SECTION WRITER

Sometimes it takes more than a village to raise a child. It takes a university, too, as some ECU student volunteers are finding in their work with the Governor's One-on-One Mentoring Program.

Kim Morris, a junior business major, manages to spend four hours a week mentoring a 16-year-old girl who needs a positive role model in her life. Since November, when she began working with the troubled teen, Morris has rewarded her with the use of a VCR for regular school attendance; she has arranged for her to mother a computerized baby doll that randomly cries when hungry, wet or neglected; and she recently set up an audition that may eventually lead to a singing career for the talented girl.

Ken Dunham, an ECU graduate student and pre-med candidate, juggles a job, his studies and at least four hours a week working with an at-risk boy. Since July, Dunham and the pre-teen have enjoyed going to movies, reading, roller blading and just hanging out together.

"It makes me feel good to think that I have a positive impact on his life," Dunham said. "But I've learned a lot from him, too."

The One-on-One Mentoring Program is succeeding, thanks to such dedicated volunteers and to the promises made to America's young people at nationwide summits heralding 1998 as 'The Year of the Volunteer."

Judy Baker, director of ECUs student volunteer program, recently participated in the governor's Summit on America's Promise and Volunteerism in Greensboro. One of the state's 1,000 delegates, Baker said the highlight of the meeting was Maya Angelou, who sang a booming rendition of "The Sun Don't Shine No More."

"She was comparing rainbows to volunteers who come shining through just when people are are their worst," Baker said. "She inspired the audience to renew their personal commitments to their communities. I thought, 'Wow! This is what it's all about!' I wanted to rush back to my office and get to work."

The summit pledged to support America's Promise, presented last year by General Colin Powell at the President's Summit for America's Future in Philadelphia. Its goal is to provide the fundamentals needed to improve the lives of two million additional American youths by the year 2000. This commitment is paying off, said ECU One-on-One Mentoring Program Coordinator Natalie Edwards. Last year, only 12 of the 12,685 children in the state's program ended up in a juvenile training school. "Think of the savings to North Carolina," Edwards said. "Every child in training school costs taxpayers $48,500 a year."

In addition to the 16 currently trained ECU mentors, the program needs more volunteers. Any mature student wishing to make a positive impact on a child should call Edwards at 328-1554. A six-hour training session and an annual commitment of four hours a week are required.

Service organizations are also encouraged to help with group activities or by financial contributions to the program.

AMERICA'S PROMISE TO YOUTH MADE AT THE NATIONWIDE VOLUNTEER SUMMITS:

- Mentor- Provide an on-going relationship with a caring adult
- Protect-Offer safe places in which to learn, play, grow and develop
- Nurture-Ensure a healthy start and a healthy lifestyle
- Teach-Teach a marketable skill through effective education
- Serve-Find opportunities to give back through community service

source:unknown

Volunteers at COMMUNITY SHELTER help homeless

Homeless come from strange places and circumstances, student volunteer says; if students want to volunteer they will find the time, said volunteer/student/mom

MEREDITH COLLIER
FOCUS SECTION WRITER

Barbara Lee is a volunteer who spends about 10 hours a week at the Greenville Community Shelter on Manhattan Avenue, cooking food, doing laundry amd answering phones.

"It feels really good to give something back to the community," she said.

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Barbara Lee
volunteer

The junior, majoring in special education, said she looks forward to cooking for the residents. Lee explained that it can be depressing and stressful to live in the shelter. She makes time to encourage and talk to residents after she cooks.

Lee, a South Hill, Va. native, is at the Greenville Community Shelter every Sunday cooking lunch. She also cooks some Saturday mornings. Lee said that cooking is her responsibility because she made a promise to cook. It is as important to her as if it were a paying job. She feels that if people are going to complain about problems in the community, they should get involved in the community and volunteer. Lee is the one person who practices what she preaches.

The Greenville Community Center opens at 6 p.m. and is open until 8 a.m. Residents must check in during this time. The shelter has 50 beds for the men and 28 for the women and children. Lee says that they never turn people away. If all the beds are full, the shelter has sleeping bags to put on the floor. The number of people in the shelter is always in flux. The shelter stays full in the winter but usually empty in the summer.

The number of volunteers also varies. Lee is encouraged by the number of couples and families who volunteer through the winter holidays. She said that whole families will come in on Thanksgiving and Christmas to spend the day helping those less fortunate than themselves.

Diana B. Magoon is the operations director at the Greenville Community Shelter. She admits that it is very difficult to put an exact number on the amount of homeless people in Greenville. One reason is that many people who lose their homes go to live with family or friends. According to Magoon, there are more than 1,000 residents at the shelter in a year.

The shelter offers programs to help residents. Parenting classes, GED classes and Narcotics Anonymous and Alcoholics Anonymous meetings all prepare the residents for when they no longer need the shelter. The shelter also helps residents with finding jobs and housing.

Lee is concerned that people in the community may not understand what kind of people live in a shelter. She is afraid that they are stereotyped. There are people with college educations and former middle-class backgrounds. Lee said that most people in America live paycheck to paycheck. A person could have a college degree and a well-paying job, but downsizing could cause a displaced worker to be on the street in a matter of months.

Judy Baker heads the volunteer program at ECU through which Lee volunteers. Baker said that if people want to volunteer, they will make time to volunteer. Lee, a student and mother, makes time to help others. Lee said the shelter needs people to volunteer, including volunteer to babysit while parents take classes. Volunteers are also needed to answer phones, do clerical work and help with maintenance.

Lee is also on the Board of Directors at the Shelter Clinic. The clinic is a volunteer program through the ECU School of Medicine that helps the homeless population. A free general clinic is offered Monday nights, a pediatric clinic every other Wednesday and a women's clinic every other Thursday.

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Senior's *(commitment to)* service garners experience

Falco works with Family Support Networks

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Melissa Falco, an ECU senior, spends 15 hours in class, but then she spends another 20 hours working outside of class and doesn't even get paid.

Falco, a family and community service major, wanted to gain experience in her field, so she chose to do a 360 hour internship with the Family Support Network. Falco works form 11:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Family Support Network's goal is to meet the needs of families with premature infants or children who are at risk for developmental disabilities, behavioral disorders, suicide attempts or chronic illness. Family Support Network enhances the lives of children with special needs by working with their families and the professionals who serve them.

Falco works with the hospital program in the neonatal and pediatric ward at Pitt Memorial Hospital. Here, she makes routine visits and talks with parents whose child is in the hospital or has died. Falco is there to provide emotional support, a listening ear, and information on the child's condition. She also recommends programs, such as Parent to Parent Programs, which put parents in touch with other parents who have a child with needs similar to those of their own child.

Along with routine visits, Falco sits in on rounds with doctors. "At first I had no idea what the doctors were talking about, but I am slowly catching on to their terminology," Falco said. She currently is researching different types of bereavement, she will then write, organize and design a bereavement packet. She'll also attend an Early Intervention Conference in Winston-Salem on April 17th, and she will visit other agencies that work in conjunction with Family Support Network. "I am really getting a feel of different agencies and different types of work out there," Falco said.

Falco has taken the skills she learned in the classroom and has been able to apply and use them in her internship and her future pursuits. Falco plans to attend graduate school here at ECU and hopes to get her masters in Marriage and Family Therapy. Her career plan is to continue working with families, just as she is doing with Family Support Network. "I've been blessed with such an awarding experience. These families need and appreciate me. I am overwhelmed by the impact I have on their lives," Falco said.

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