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Cats have been giving squirrels a run for their money on campus lately. See page 7.

Webster's ticket wins 1999 SGA elections

Webster wins by landslide with 1,274

AMY WAGNER
ASSISTANT NEWS EDITOR

The SGA election results came in late Wednesday night to the highly anticipating crowd of candidates and supporters. Cliff Webster won the uncontested spot for president, John Meriac won the seat of vice president, Overton Harper was elected treasurer and Jessica Dowdy was elected to SGA secretary. There are over 16,000 currently enrolled students at ECU. Of this number, only 1416 voted in the elections Wednesday. According to the SGA elections committee, out of the total 1416, Webster received 1274 of these



Above: Senior business major Pat McMichael and Senior criminal justice major Jared Rundell vote in the SGA elections at the poll in front of the Wright Place Wednesday. Right: Sophomore Candyce Rumley casts her vote in the SGA election box.

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| Election Results | |
|------------------------|---------------------|
| Presidential Race | Cliff Webster: 1274 |
| Vice-presidential Race | John Meriac: 885 |
| | Na'im Akbar: 522 |
| Treasurer Race | Overton Harper: 891 |
| | Jason Evans: 509 |
| Secretary Race | Jessica Dowdy: 906 |
| | Shondell Jones: 496 |

votes in the election.

"I'm not only excited, but I'm also proud to be SGA president to serve and represent the over 17,000 students at ECU," he said.

John Meriac received 885 votes for the office of vice president, over Na'im Akbar, who only received 522. "I'm proud to be the representative for vice president of your student body," Meriac said. "I know we were the

best qualified candidates for the job and I look forward to serving the ECU student body to the best of my ability."

Overton Harper received 891 votes for the office of treasurer, and Jason Evans only received 509.

"I'm glad experience pays off, and I feel like it's an honor and a privilege to represent the students here, and I'm glad they have the faith in us," Harper said. "We hope to work very hard and fulfill all they're expecting."

Last but not least, Jessica Dowdy received 906 votes for the office of secretary, over Shondell Jones, who received 496.

"I'm very excited about the election results," Dowdy said. "I'm glad our hard work paid off. I know our whole routine will work to the best of our ability to serve our campus well."

IRS help available online

Computer assisted filing speeds returns

LISA STOKES
NEWS WRITER

It's April again, time to get out, enjoy the sun, take in a baseball game and pay your taxes!

April 15 is the deadline for filing your income taxes and this year the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) is trying to make it easier for you.

The IRS has taken the initiative to implement an electronic filing program, a phone filing service and a credit card and debit card payment plan.

"The IRS is hoping to make the entire electronic filing experience more convenient while simultaneously trying to meet a congressional mandate to increase the number of electronically filed forms," said a statement on the IRS web page.

The pilot programs were launched from long-standing

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Open house unites with minority visitation

Spring Open House and Minority Visitation Weekend will kick off April 16-17, but this will be a unique year. For the first time, these events will be held in conjunction with one another in order to increase potential students' exposure to university services.

"These two events were previously seen as two different open houses and they are not," said Elola Moore, assistant director of Undergraduate Admissions.

The reason for the merger of the events into one weekend was for convenience sake. It was felt that incoming minority students could benefit from the services that Open House provided.

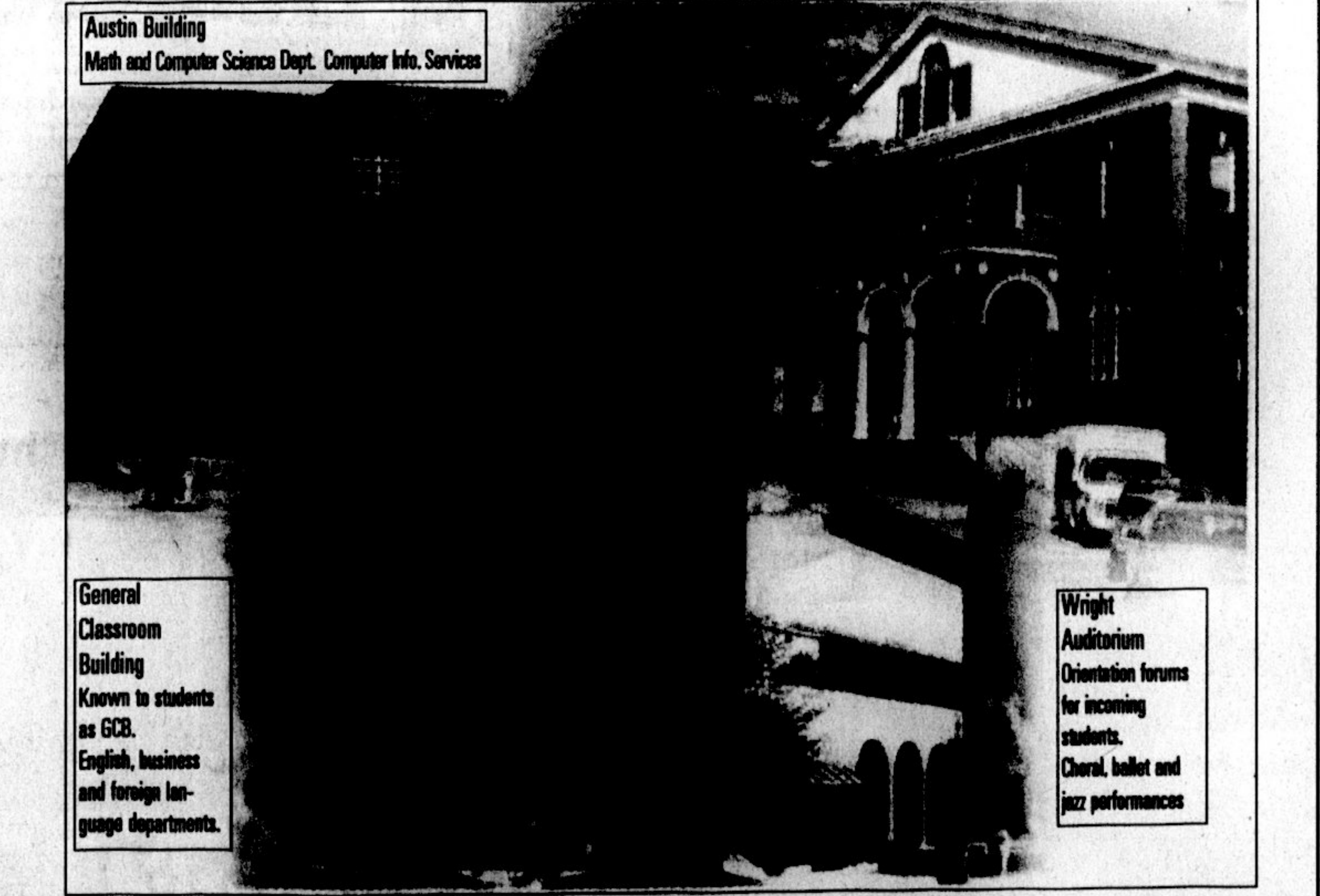
"The academic fair during [the spring] open house is outstanding. I could not provide the same opportunities [for minority students]," Moore said.

In past years, the Minority Family Weekend occurred two to

three weeks previous to the spring open house. Officially, the spring open house is just Saturday, while the minority weekend starts on Friday.

"We'll see how it goes this time, but I think that putting them together will work well," said Velvet Reynolds, assistant director of Undergraduate Admissions. "We thought that combing the

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Austin Building Math and Computer Science Dept. Computer Info. Services

General Classroom Building Known to students as GCB. English, business and foreign language departments.

Wright Auditorium Orientation forums for incoming students. Choral, ballet and jazz performances

Medical School to air health updates

Channel 99 broadcasts to begin April 15

TERRA STEINBEISER
STAFF WRITER

ECU's Medical School recently made an arrangement with America's Health Network to begin broadcasting its signal at designated times daily on Multimedia Cable Channel 99.

Channel 99 is owned and operated by the Center of Health Sciences Communication (CHSC) and is used to educate people about current health issues as well as to provide other information to the local community. The Radio Reading Service also uses this channel to provide the blind community with readings of the top news stories.

Although broadcasting for America's Health Network is not scheduled to begin until April 15, CHSC has been working on it for some time.

"When I began here two years ago, my bosses told me that we owned Channel 99 and that we needed to get more health-oriented broadcasting on the air," said Marc Krein, CHSC TV Media Services coordinator. "It's been a big project

since then." America's Health Network is a 24-hour cable-TV channel emphasizing medical and health awareness.

"As far as I know, we're the only one carrying the [America's Health Network] signal in North Carolina," said Krein.

Some of America's Health Network programs that Channel 99 will rebroadcast include "Ask the

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Marc Krein
CHSC TV Media Services Coordinator

Veterinarian"; "O.R.: Behind the Mask," which shows operations from the view of the surgeon; "Ask the Pediatrician," "Women and Children First," which focuses on women's health concerns; and "Ask the Family Doctor."

"This is really a great service to the community," said David Balch, director of CHSC. "It's going to help consumers take more responsibility for their own wellness and increase health awareness in the community."

news briefs

11-year-old held in death of infant cousin

COLUMBIA, S.C. (AP) An 11-year-old girl who was baby-sitting her 14-month-old cousin was charged with murdering the boy Monday.

A neighbor called authorities after hearing screams from the home. The boy, Joshua Parker, went into cardiac arrest and died later in a hospital.

Police said the girl hit the boy several times. Coroner Frank Barron said the boy had bruises on his head and face and died from internal bleeding.

The girl was ordered by a family court judge to undergo a mental evaluation.

Under state law, the girl can be charged as an adult. If convicted, she could be sentenced to life in prison.

Autopsy to be performed on man who fired on deputies

WASHINGTON, N.C. (AP) An autopsy will be performed on a man who allegedly fired at Beaufort County sheriff's deputies Sunday and was found dead near his home a day later.

Deputies had tried to serve involuntary commitment papers on James Robert Bright, 46, when they were fired upon, sheriff's investigators said. The deputies weren't injured. Bright couldn't be located after the shooting.

Store clerk kills would-be robber

ASHEVILLE (AP) A man who tried to rob a convenience store was shot and killed by the store clerk, police said.

Police said a man with a bandana over his face walked into a Servco gas station about 9:45 p.m. Sunday and showed the clerk a large knife.

The man demanded money and started to come around the counter, said Police Capt. Ted Lambert. But he was foiled by the manager on duty, who pulled a large handgun and shot the suspect in the stomach.

Former seventh-grade teacher pleads guilty to internet porn charges

ALBANY, N.Y. (AP) A former middle school teacher has admitted that he received child pornography over the Internet.

William Comicz, 32, of New Paltz pleaded guilty Monday in Federal Court in Albany to one count of possessing child pornography. In his plea, Comicz said between September 1997 and November 1997 he received several pictures of minors engaged in sexually explicit acts.

Up to 76 dead in Indonesian religious riots

JAKARTA, Indonesia (AP) Outnumbered Indonesian security forces fired Wednesday on thousands of angry Borneo villagers, who rioted to demand the release of relatives jailed for earlier racial fighting.

Witnesses claimed more than a dozen people, mostly indigenous Malay and Dayak villagers, were killed in street battles outside of Singkawang, a town near the western coast.

Earthquake rattles central Turkey

SIVAS, Turkey (AP) An earthquake shook the central Turkish city of Sivas Tuesday, waking residents in panic and collapsing houses officials said. There

were no reports of casualties.

The quake, with a preliminary magnitude of 5.2, struck at 3:08 a.m. (0008 GMT) near the town of Divrigi, according to the Kandilli observatory in Istanbul. It was followed by a mild quake of magnitude 3.2 minutes later and some 20 aftershocks.

Spam e-mail policy to cut junk mail

Unwanted messages clog, slow Exchange

ANISA GHRAIRI
STAFF WRITER

The university has instituted a new policy prohibiting the distribution of unwanted spam e-mail.

Spam e-mail can be any unwanted messages, advertisements, chain letters, broadcast announcements, or any other message sent via e-mail to a group of persons not requesting the message unless the e-mail is for

official university business.

"This policy has been instituted because it has become an annoyance to not only students, but faculty and staff as well," said Blake Price, director of Computing and Information Systems in charge of writing up the spam e-mail policy. "The spam e-mail impacts the systems by causing them to slow down e-mail."

Many students believe that the policy is a good idea if it is implemented correctly. Sophomore Todd Stewart is in favor of the policy.

"At one point someone sent out a list to probably half the school, and of course most people reply to

it, which immediately sends a forward message to everyone on the list and sometimes this can severely clog up the systems," he said.

Price agrees with Stewart about this problem.

"When you get unwanted messages do not use the 'reply to all' function to respond to the sender," he said. "This will resend the message to every address in the original e-mail and only makes the problem worse."

Students have been complaining about this for awhile as the spam e-mail problem fluctuates.

"It is very frustrating when I open my e-mail account and there

are a lot of nonsense messages that have been sent to me that take up space on my file," said Alison Lewis, junior. "I think the policy will help because it will reduce the amount of messages being sent to one's e-mail account that just takes up space."

Mary Ellen Faulk, sophomore, also thinks the policy is a good idea, but sees a problem.

"Some people might be mad because they can not use free advertising on students e-mail anymore," she said.

Taxes

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"I found that filing over the phone is much quicker, it only took about five minutes,"

Freshman Lisa Kanupp, 18

request by both individual taxpayers and preparers who wanted the IRS to accept credit card payments.

Taxpayers who wish to save time filing and receive their refund faster can file through their personal computer or over the phone. Both pilot programs are for the 1998 tax year and for 1040 forms only.

Freshman Lisa Kanupp, 18, was happy with the time she saved but not the refund she got.

"I found that filing over the phone is much quicker, it only took about five minutes," Kanupp said. "I only got back

\$255 for federal taxes because I had to pay \$92, which doesn't even cover one of my car payments. It only took about three weeks for the refund though."

The IRS will even allow someone else to pay your taxes with their credit card, should you be lucky enough to find such a person. Your parent or spouse can make a payment with their credit card or debit card for you. The IRS accepts Discover/Novus, American Express and Mastercard. Sorry, Visa is not accepted and you may have to pay a merchant fee on your Mastercard if you use it. If you pay by credit card, beware that you can only make a maximum of two payments (to avoid lots of fees and potential fraud), however, you can pay up to \$99,999.

Should you want to avoid technology, the standard paper process of filing is still available, but beware of the time and money it takes.

H&R Block will gladly file your taxes for you, but they may charge you at least \$50 for a 1040, depending on your status. Other forms may need to be filed as well,

depending on your income, dependents, expenses and deductions.

H&R Block also offers a rapid refund program, where a patron can get their refund in two to four days, but they have to have a refund of \$200 to qualify and there is a fee.

"We have a very small percentage of students who come through, probably less than five percent," said George Sauls, of H&R Block.

Want to avoid that professional fee? It could cost you time in the long run, according to Rebecca Wharton, 19.

"I filed through the mail, it's been over a month and I am still waiting for a refund," said Wharton,

who planned on buying clothes and making a car payment.

The good news for taxpayers this year is that you or your parents can take credit for college tuition expenses. Under Publication 970 Tax Benefits for Higher Education, with form 8863, qualifying applicants can receive a dollar for dollar credit on tuition. Applicants may also qualify to deduct interest paid on student loans.

All tax forms and publications can be downloaded from the IRS web page at www.irs.ustreas.gov, or can be picked up at Joyner Library or Greenville Post Office.

IRS / Tax Information


IRS Help Line: 1-800-929-1040

N.C. Tax Talk: 1-919-733-4TAX (not toll free)

To pay taxes w/ credit card: 1-888-2PAY-TAX

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Bill to track age, race, gender of motorists

Designed to prevent disproportionate stops

JESSICA REED
STAFF WRITER

A bill recently introduced in the legislation by Sen. Ed Warren and Sen. Frank Ballance will call for all state law enforcement agencies to track information on the race, gender and age of motorists who are stopped.

The goal of the bill is to determine if the state Highway Patrol and other law enforcement officials are stopping a disproportionate number of black drivers.

"This legislation is intended to help address the perception that some folks are stopped because of their race, and real numbers are the only way to monitor this," said Ballance, in a recent press release.

This act becomes effective Oct. 1, and is for actions occurring on or after that date.

Highway Patrol officials said their policy does not allow any unfair or improper enforcement and believes that this study will show

that targeting motorists by race is not a practice.

"We support the bill, but because we can, we are doing our own pilot study to track all stops," said Renee Hoffman, director of Public Affairs for the Department of Crime Control and Public Safety. "We want to know for ourselves what our officers are doing."

This study will analyze statistics on traffic stops as set forth in legislation. Mobile Data Computers (MDC) will be installed in every patrol car to conduct the study of traffic enforcement stops made by troopers.

Three hundred sixty-four MDC units have already been installed in law enforcement vehicles in 59 counties across the state. By the end of 2000, 520 more MDC units will be installed and activated, covering all counties in the state. Some African-American ECU students do not understand the purpose of the bill.

"I don't think this is bill is necessary," said Ameer Terlinden, sophomore. "When you get pulled over on the road it's because you've done something wrong, not because of the color of your skin."

Correction

In the April 6 issue of *TEC*, we left Jason Evans, candidate for treasurer and Shondell Jones, candidate for secretary out of our coverage. We operated on incorrect information that was furnished to us and deeply regret any adverse effects. Also, the wrong quote was attributed to Overton Harper. The quote should have read: "As SGA treasurer I would like to address two issues: simplified funding of organizations and better communications between the treasurer's office and organizations."



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Ordinance keeps cars off lawns

Supporters of policy say cars ruin aesthetics

CHRISTINA ARNOLD
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

ECU students who find parking on campus difficult may find it even more difficult to park in their own yards.

The Greenville City Council recently passed a new city ordinance making it illegal for Greenville City residents to park on their front lawns. Yet many ECU students are unaware of ordinance No. 99-6, which went into effect Jan. 14, 1999.

Tracy Cross, senior, was surprised to learn that she could be fined for parking in her own front yard.

"I wasn't aware of such an ordinance," Cross said. "How can they enforce a law that I didn't even know about?"

According to the ordinance, it is

unacceptable to use grass and bare earth areas "to maneuver, park or store any vehicle, camper, trailer or boat within any front and/or side yard area." Residents who do not comply with the ordinance may be cited for the violation.

Citations will include a \$50 fine to either the owner of the property, the owner of the car or the lease of the property said Blair Carr, city attorney for the Greenville Police Department.

Carr said repeat violations of the ordinance could lead to a court injunction to stop the behavior. The judge can then decide what fine to set, she said.

Parking area standards add to the beautification, safety and conformity of a neighborhood Carr noted.

"It (parking on the lawn) ruins the aesthetics of a neighborhood, damages the property and causes a depreciation of property value," she said.

Complaints about certain Greenville areas led to them being zoned for parking enforcement, while other areas have not adopted the new citywide ordinance said

Carl Rees, city of Greenville zoning enforcement planner.

Many ECU students find the new ordinance to be a problem as shared housing forces them to park in their front yards.

"I don't know where the government gets off telling us what we can do with our own property," said Susann Matthews, senior.

Devin Hetley, junior, agrees with Matthews.

"I don't understand how the government can regulate private property. If you own the house, you should be able to park wherever you want," he said.

"I can understand people not making junk piles out of their yard, but when you live with other people, it's easier to pull your car up next to the other car," Matthews said. "It just makes it easier when you're backing out of the driveway."

"Zoning ordinances allow the city to regulate land use," Carr said. She suggested students who may find the new regulation troublesome should "take it up with their landlords."

Residential parking standards for ordinance No. 99-6

All parking areas (including driveways) must be constructed of an approved hard-surface, all-weather material.

All parking areas shall be maintained in a safe, sanitary and neat condition and shall be clearly marked.

Grass and bare earth areas are not acceptable and shall not be used to maneuver, park or store any vehicle, camper, trailer or boat within any front and/or side yard area.

Parking areas for single-family dwellings shall not cover more than 30 percent of the front yard.

Parking areas for two-family (duplex) dwellings shall not cover more than 40 percent of the front yard.

The location and construction of any drive and/or parking area shall be subject to review and approval of the City Engineer.

For more information
Call 329-4498, or write to the
City of Greenville Planning and
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crime scene

April 5

Larceny - A staff member reported the larceny of food items from a room in Whichard Annex. 99-0232

Larceny - A wallet belonging to a student was turned into the Police Department after it had been found in a bathroom in the Brewster Building. When the student inspected the wallet, she found that a credit card was missing. 99-0233

Underage Possession of Alcohol - A resident of Scott Hall was issued a campus appearance ticket for possession of alcohol on the third floor of Scott Hall. 99-020736

Possession of Marijuana and Drug Paraphernalia/Possession of a Weapon on Campus - Officers

responded to a report of a strong odor of marijuana coming from a suite in Scott Hall. Upon arrival, officers seized four grams of marijuana, several items of drug paraphernalia and a set of brass knuckles. The students were issued state citations for possession of marijuana and drug paraphernalia.

Off Campus Sexual Assault - A subject reported that she had been sexually assaulted at an off campus location. The Greenville Police was notified and will be handling the case.

Trespassing - An officer observed a subject in an area of campus that he had been banned from. The officer drew a warrant charging the subject with trespassing. The warrants have not yet been served.

April 6

Larceny - A student reported the larceny of her wallet from the Student Recreation Center.

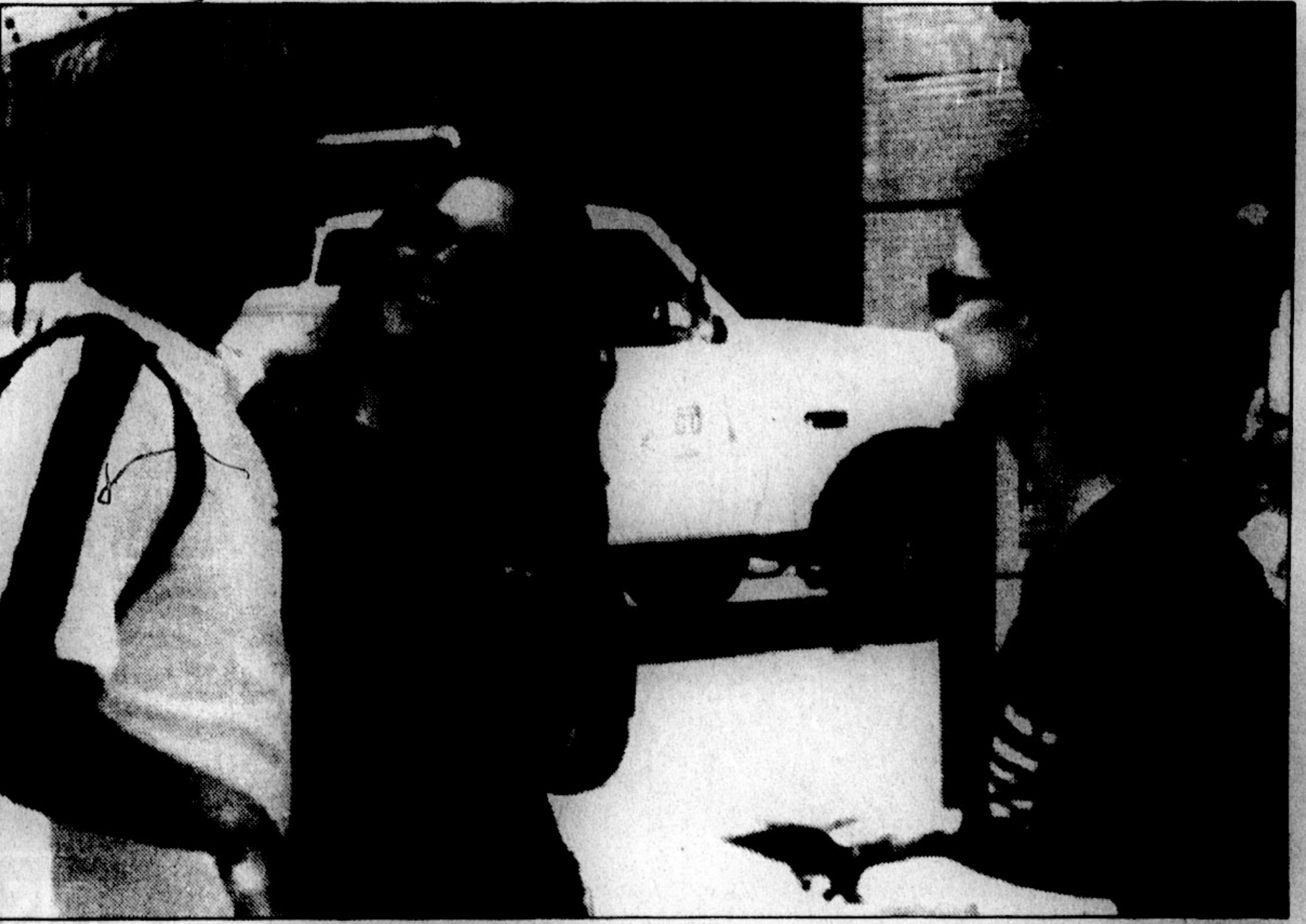
Trespassing - A non-student

was arrested after an officer found him unescorted on the fourth floor of White Hall. Three witnesses identified the man as a suspect who had been propositioning students in a female bathroom in Clement Hall just prior to his arrest. The man was also banned from campus.

Harassing Phone Calls - A resident of Jones Hall reported receiving harassing phone calls in her room.

Provisional Driving While Impaired/Driving While License Revoked - A non-student was arrested for provisional driving while impaired and driving while license revoked. An officer observed him driving the wrong way on Reade Street.

Driving While Impaired/Possession of Marijuana/Driving While License Revoked - A non-student was arrested after an officer observed him spinning tires and speeding on College Hill Drive.



Dana Herring and Courtney Meak, wearing election shirts, help to publicize the SGA election for Webster, Meriac, Harper and Dowdy. PHOTO BY MICHAEL SMITH

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Overview

Tae-Bo fanatic, Billy Blanks, has become a large part of the lives of many college students. If you don't know who Billy Blanks is or have never heard of Tae-Bo, chances are you aren't keeping that New Year's resolve to get physically fit. Tae-Bo is the latest in a fitness craze that continues to gain momentum and spring is a perfect time to catch the wave.

On every channel someone is hawking the latest flexi-do-dad. The most prevalent infomercial, features Blanks and his Tae-Bo family kicking and punching their way to fitness. Such big name people as Carmen Electra, Sinbad, Farrah Fawcett, Goldie Hawn and Neve Campbell, just to name a few, have helped in advertising for Banks and his new type of fitness training. We've even heard people say they didn't want to go on spring break because they would miss their Tai-Bo workouts!

Tae-Bo is not the only way to go. There are weighted balls, weighted polls, steps, slides, rubber bands and elastic bands too. Not to mention the underwater boxing, self-defensing and vogo-cizing available at campus and area gyms.

As a student or faculty member, you have a unique environment in which to get into the best shape of your life. Of course, the multi-million dollar Student Rec Center is an obvious advantage, but there are many more reasons why you may never have a better opportunity to get fit. Being surrounded by thousands of other young bodies caught up in the fitness craze should lend you momentum. Don't get discouraged by the ever present beautiful hard body in an itty-bitsy jogging bra beside you. Instead, let those who are ahead of you in their fitness goals inspire you. Remember, obtaining a certain fitness goal may give you biceps to brag about, but the best reason to get fit is for your health.

Whether you purchase the latest Tae-Bo series of videos and punch your way to fitness in the privacy of your home, or you join the throngs of other like minds at the Rec Center, now is a great time to shape up.

LETTER

Old enough to fight, too young to drink

Well, the United States is once again involved in another skirmish, and this time it's not with Iraq! The "Crisis in Kosovo" (a catchy little phrase that the media came up with, no doubt to increase their ratings) has the United States military along with NATO forces (or the New World Order) putting the lives of their soldiers on the line.

With the loss of one American bomber, and American soldiers taken prisoner by the Serbs, it appears that we may be at the brink of something more serious than the U.S. government had initially expected.

While the Russian Navy positions itself near the coast of Kosovo, as a show of support for the Serbs, we may be witnessing the beginnings of an all out war.

As with all major wars, there always comes an incredible loss of human life—tragic indeed. Who starts these wars? I'll tell you who starts these wars. The old men who sit safely behind desks pushing pens, while deciding the fate of thousands. But you don't see them out there on the battle fields with their faces in the mud, stopping

bullets with their chests. No, they sit behind their desks, wearing their three piece suits, while America's youth is being crippled and killed because of some war they didn't start.

This brings me to the point of my letter. Being 19 years old, I am extremely angered of the fact that I am not allowed rights that certain other Americans enjoy and yet, I am expected to die for my country at the whim of some corrupt draft dodging government official. The rights I refer to are those rights that people who have graced the earth with their presence for at least 21 years are allowed, (such as, the right to buy alcohol or rent a car) while adults only three years younger are not.

I must question the logic behind this. An 18 year old is mature enough to handle a gun in combat situations, but is not mature enough to handle a beer if he chooses to do so? Does this make the least bit of sense? I should say it does not.

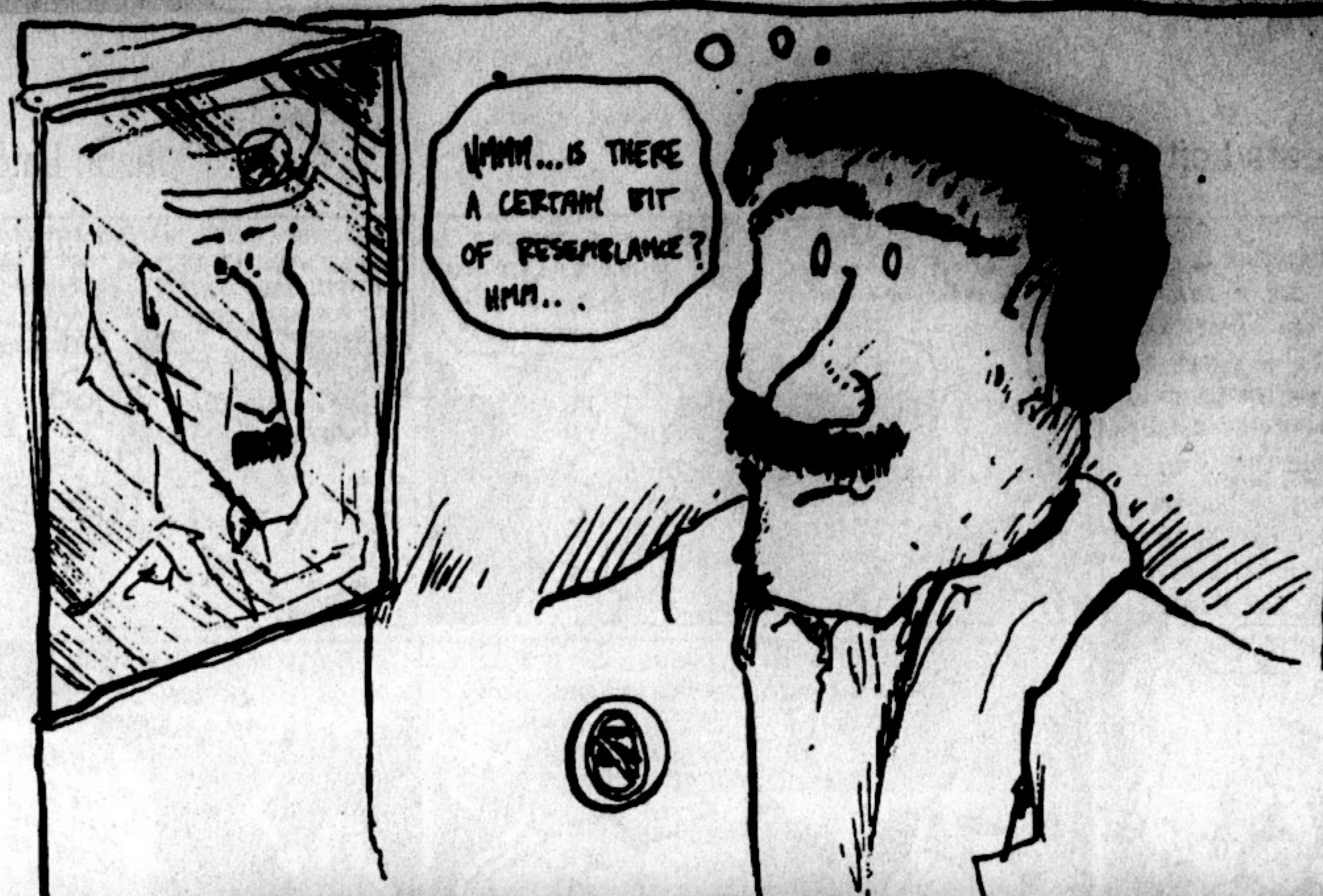
Since the government is led by middle-aged people who could give a sweet rat's ass about the

rights of America's 18-20 year olds, such that this law has not been changed.

Furthermore, most government positions require one to be at least 21 years of age to even be considered. America's 18-20 year olds do not deserve to be treated like pawns, they deserve equal rights. If they are not given equal rights, they should not be expected to engage in military combat.

The government has the right to send us 18-20 year olds to early graves in the name of some trumped up cause, when we don't even enjoy the same rights as the people who send us to the early graves. There is some serious error in reasoning here. If we allow this to continue, we shall remain the governments' pawns, and they shall continue to manipulate as they please.

Well, all this writing has made me thirsty, so I think I'll go get me a cold one. Since, at any given time America decides to go to war, I'll be expected to give up my life, I'm going to enjoy a brew whenever the mood strikes me—regardless of the ridiculous law.



OPINION

Stephen Klemshmitt

Cartoons wrong about Greeks

For the past year, this columnist has had to endure the unfounded opinions of staff illustrator Chris Knotts in our very own East Carolinian. It is obvious that Knotts is not a Greek student, and tends to label what he does not understand a bad thing. In one of his often recurring "Life on Tuesday" cartoons, the main character Tuesday laughs at the concepts of fraternities while he is standing in front of the fictional Tri-Pi fraternity house during a party. So what are his concepts of fraternities (and to a greater extent, the entire Greek system?)

Entirely bogus. Sure, the 10 percent Greek population here at ECU likes to have a good time like the other 90 percent of the students on Friday nights. But, let's look at the whole truth. The concept of fraternities are brotherhood and service. People come to ECU unfamiliar with their surroundings. Fraternities and sororities give students direction. They have somewhere to go in times of need. They have someone encouraging them to do their best in their schoolwork. They have the opportunity to meet many people and grow connections. And then there is the coveted Greek social life. People always

like talking to Greeks because they always have something interesting going on. What's your idea of fun?

And then there is our service aspect. Many Greek organizations donate thousands of dollars and hundreds of hours doing service to better the community for all students. My own fraternity, Phi Kappa Psi does a yearly benefit for the Greenville Community Shelter, and have been named as their biggest donor each year. Theta Chi has their annual see-saw marathon that has donated over \$10,000 in the last five years to the Pitt County Special Olympics. And let's not forget the sororities! Alpha Omicron Pi has a bone marrow drive every year, and there are a host of sororities that hold various benefits each year that rake in the cash for North Carolina's most neediest charities. What are these charities supposed to rely on? Canned food and clothing drives run by the residence halls? Please. These things yield about 20 bucks worth of creamed corn and dirty socks. Without Greek organizations at this campus, there would be a lot more starving people out there.

The concepts of brotherhood and service have been taught to us since we were children. Maybe it

was the Boy Scouts that taught you the value of friendship and camaraderie. Maybe it was all the friends you had at camp that made your first trip from home a little less hectic. It could be the times in your church's youth group when you collected toys for foster children for Christmas, and it felt good to do something for someone other than yourself.

When I came to ECU, I was stuck in the dorms with druggies, alcoholics, thieves, all sorts of weirdos and undesirables. Why criticize me for wanting to disassociate myself with these loons? I know several people who said they would never go Greek, and have, and now they'll never go back. They have obviously dispelled the Greek notion that Knott's cartoons try to play up because they lack creativity and important subject matter.

Why am I speaking out for the Greek system? Because I believe in what it stands for, and since I happen to have a voice, my message is that all the Greek community asks from you is that you should at least do some research on us before you bad mouth us. Everybody hates a know-it-all that criticizes something they know nothing about.

LETTER to the Editor

Some professors lack professionalism

This is my junior year at ECU. I have gone through my program of study without so many "bumps" along the way. Many of my professors have been so great! I have truly enjoyed studying under the professional teachers I have had here at this university. However, at the beginning of this semester, I met severe disappointment. I walked into the class my second day back from Christmas vacation and was subjected to overbearing, verbal abuse. The professor of the class used very rude, vulgar language which deeply offended my soul. He used curse word after curse word, without any logical reasoning. He proceeded to use extremely vulgar sexual slang in class.

The ultimate sorrow was felt when he told the class to use one of the curse words—to say it out loud. As the room echoed with that nasty word, proceeded by laughter, my

heart sank. I could not believe what I was in the midst of. I came to ECU seeking professionalism. I received an hour full of lewdness. As I write this now, the emotions are still very powerful and sad.

That this sort of behavior is allowed to take place at a doctoral university is unbelievable. I dropped the class and complained about the situation, but nothing really can be done unless others take a stand and put common courtesy and decency in their proper place.

Students have impressionable minds. We are supposed to be able to look up to our professors. Professors should be guiding role models. Students should not go to class and be subject to language worse than that in rated R movies. In fact, we should not even be subjected to that type of language. If this type of language is going to be allowed, maybe the university should restrict what ages can enter

into certain classes. Some students do start college at age 17.

Shame on the slackness of the people around me who laughed at the profanity that day, and shame on the professor who used the language. What is the world coming to? Should we not set distinguished goals? Should we not value virtue? This sort of letter is not enjoyable to write. I would like to say that I am truly satisfied with my experience here, but I am not. This is an issue that has been bothering me ever since the first day of class this semester, and I believe that this is the best way to voice my disappointment. I would like to leave a message to anyone who is placed in the situation I was in: Stand up for what you believe in and follow your integrity. Make sure someone at the upper level of the university knows about the situation.

Christopher Modlin

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to the Editor

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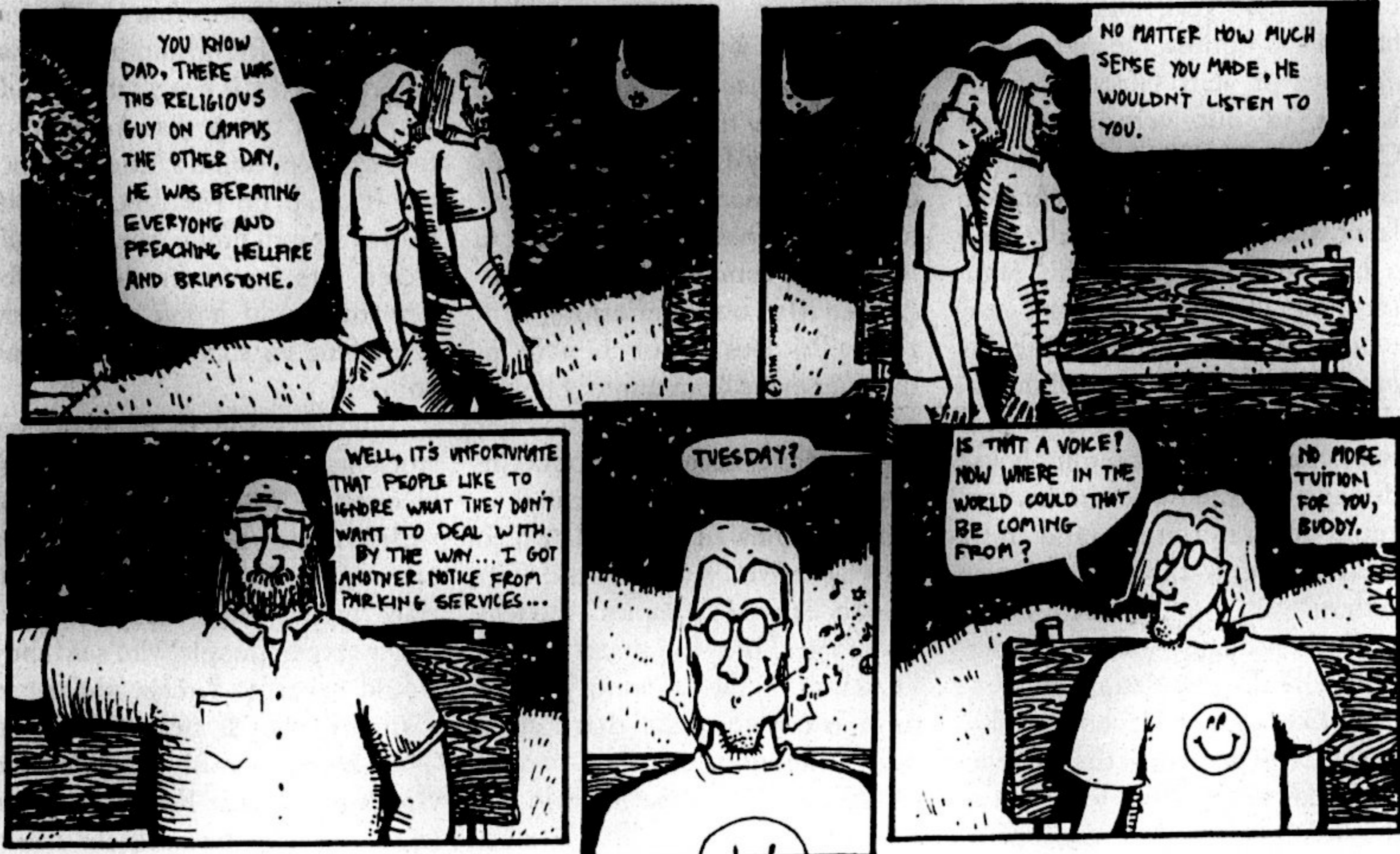
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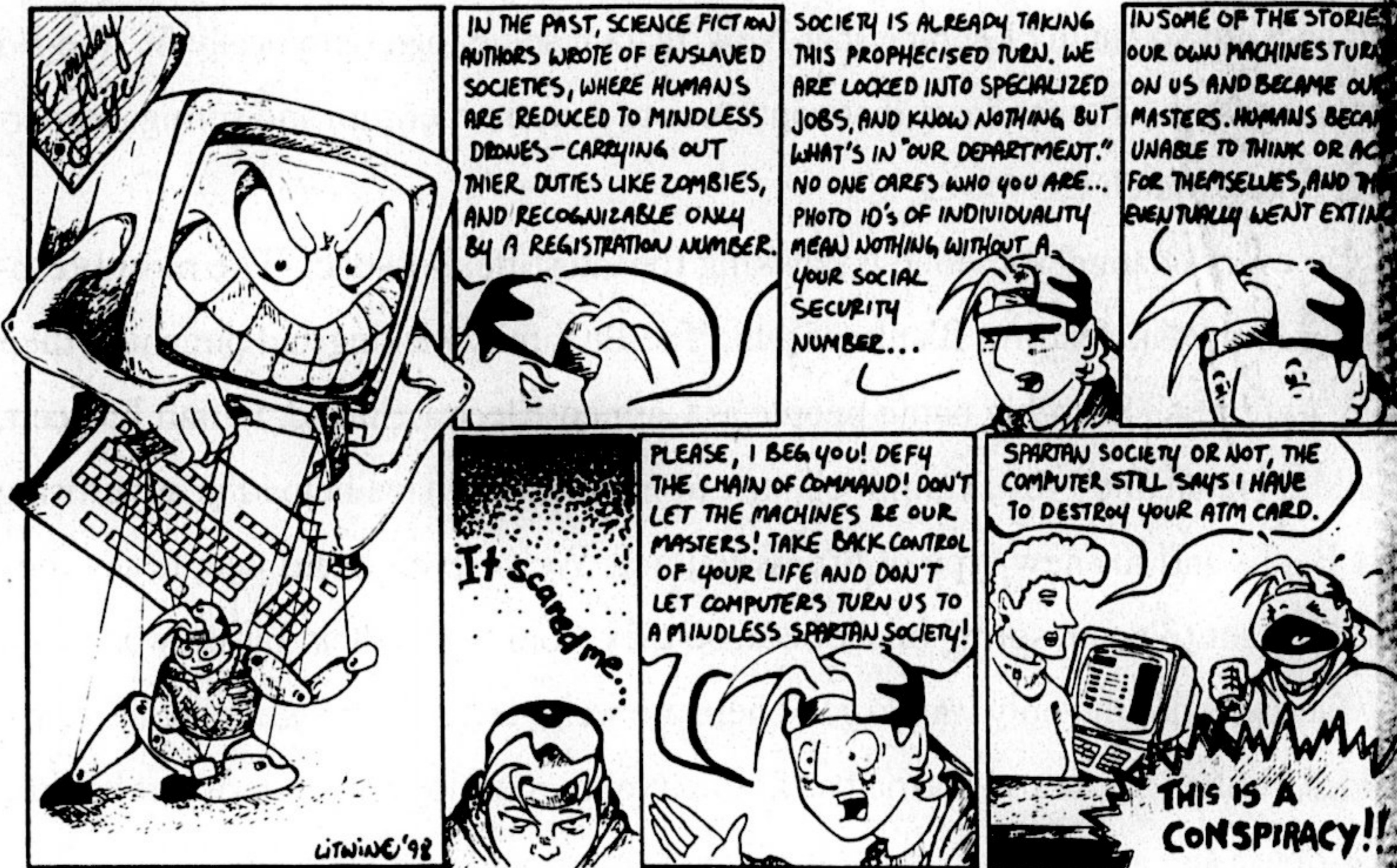
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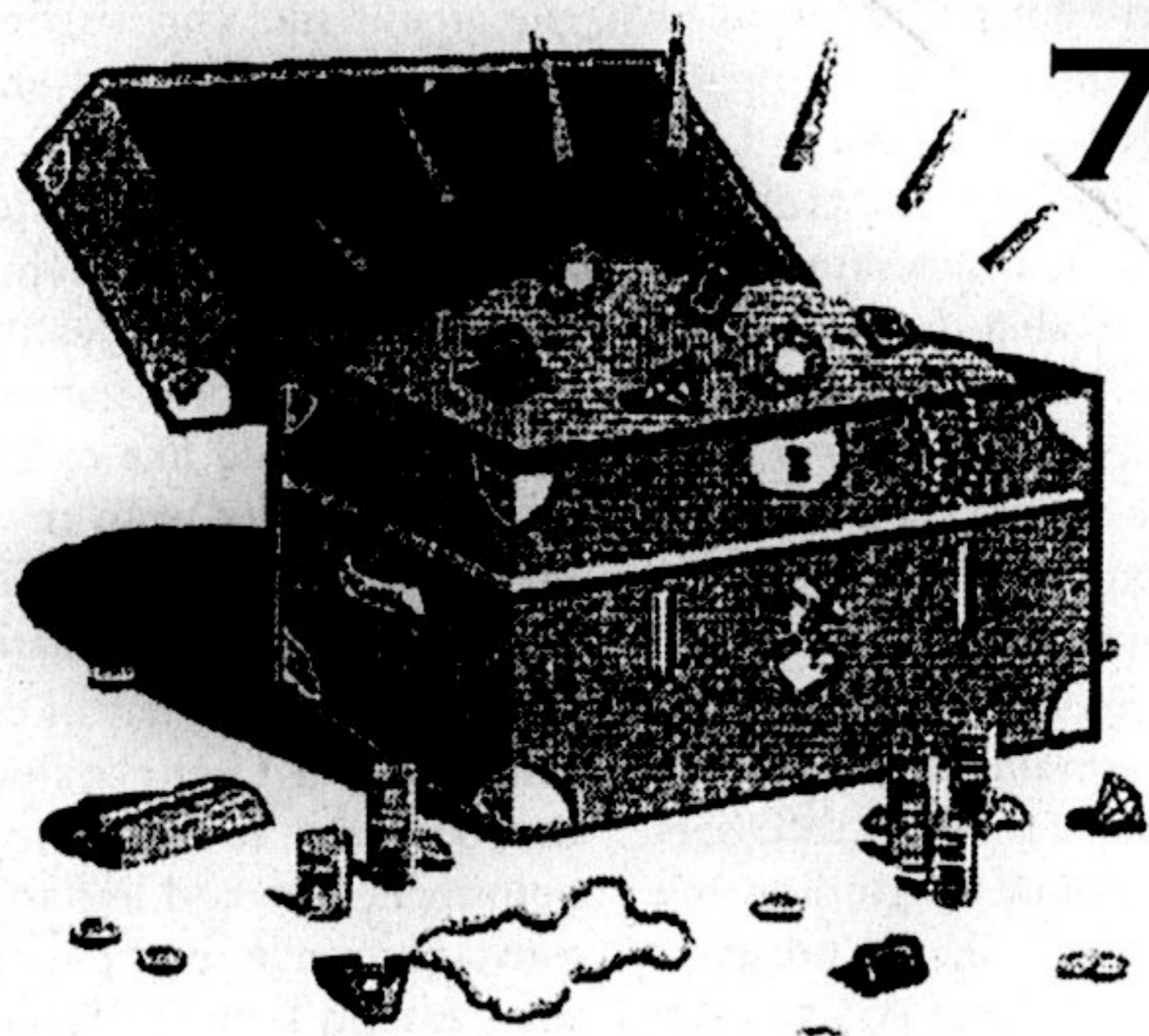


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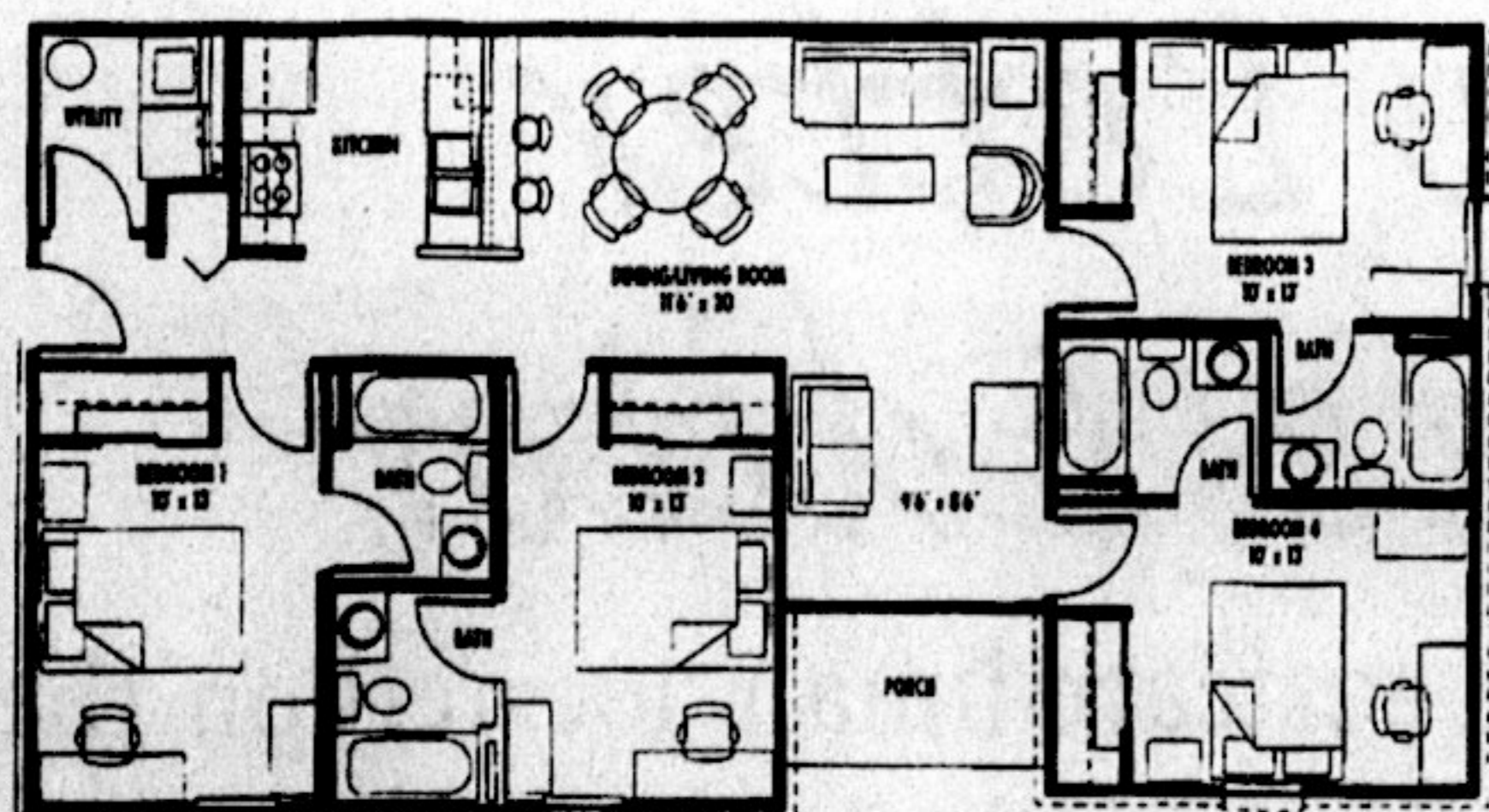
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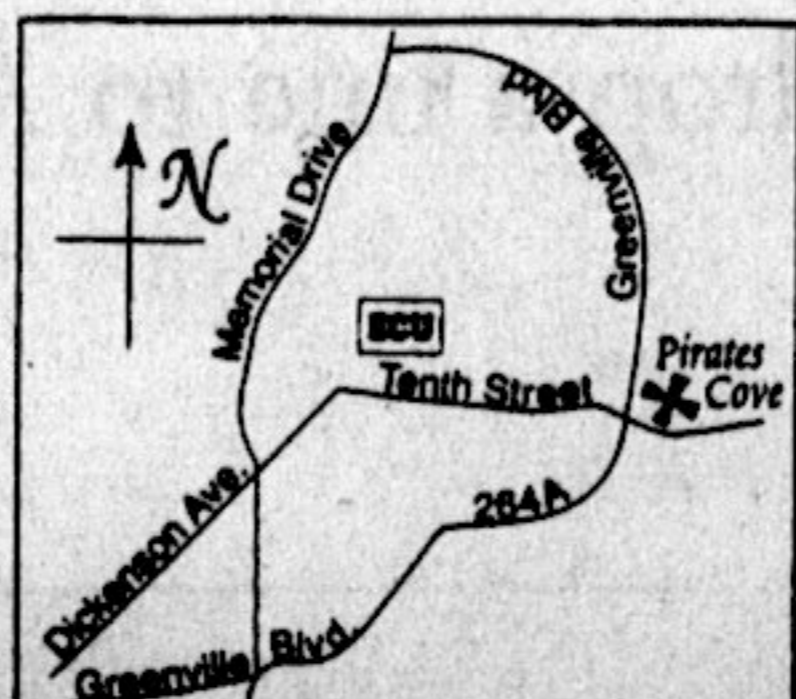


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WILD Cats

Strays make homes for themselves on campus

AMY WAGNER
ASSISTANT NEWS EDITOR

Meow. Many students have pet cats. But, as you may have noticed, BCU has their own version of pet cats. Many stray cats run rampant around campus, making it their home sweet home.

"I've seen them running around and I feel so sorry

for them," sophomore Chrissy Buckley said. "There is a whole family behind my dorm." Buckley lives in Jones Residence Hall.

These cats were not put here by Chancellor Eakin to add charm or to chase squirrels. According to Bobbie Parsons, shelter director of the

"People think they can leave these cats behind and somebody will take care of it," Parsons said. "But, that's not the case. They either get ran over or become wild."

Parsons is not happy with the consequences of these abandoned cats. For example, she once saw a stray cat with its head caught in a jar and she couldn't catch it to help it.

Pit County

Humane Society, the large number of stray cats came from irresponsible students.

"Students leave behind cats and they haven't been fixed," Parsons said. "These cats go wild after they haven't been cared for in a while."

If you think your cat will be taken in by a kind neighbor, think again.

Besides hurting themselves, these cats can be dangerous to people as well. According to Parsons, many of them have rabies, leukemia and the FIV virus. Leukemia and the FIV virus spread between cats, even cats that live in people's homes, if they have not been given the proper shots. Rabies can spread to unvaccinated cats, and to humans as well.

"People will try to pick up the cat to see if it's tame and then get bit," Parsons said. "They need to realize that we get rabies too."

The ECUPD has had no complaints about the cats so far, and there have not been any incidents reported to the Student Health Center this year.

"I've never had any problems with the cats," Buckley said. "I even leave them some food sometimes. I feel so sorry for them. It is horrible that someone could just pack up and leave their pet to fend for themselves."

Buckley leaves food for the cats in the woods behind her residence hall.

"They wait in the woods until I am far away before they come eat," Buckley said. "They are so different from pet cats, so scared of humans, even people trying to help them."

It is not just kind-hearted people like Buckley that keeps the cats fed. The trash cans on cam-



Kitties seek refuge from students in the trees
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Where cats reside on campus

1. In sewage drains
2. Behind residence halls
3. In bushes between Fletcher music building and Brewster
4. In shrubbery in front of Joyner Library
5. Beside of campus mail services

Types of Cats

1. American shorthair
2. Balinese
3. Cornish Rex
4. Egyptian Mau
5. Maine CoonCat
6. Manx
7. Persian
8. Russian Blue
9. Siamese
10. Sphynx

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pus are full of food for the cats. "I've seen cats eating pizza right out of the trash can," junior Dave Klop said. "It makes me mad that there are cats in students' homes eating Fancy Feast or something and these cats have to go through the trash because of irresponsible students."

Linda Nelson from Housekeeping Services said they have not received any complaints about the cats, but if the number of cats gets too large or there are some complaints then Animal Control will be called.

"Personally, I could not call Animal Control myself because I wouldn't be able to sleep," Nelson said. "But, if we have to do it, then we will because students may get hurt. Many people do not realize how dangerous wild cats are."

According to Nelson, during last summer a housekeeping employee tried to pet a stray cat outside of the Housekeeping Services office which is located in the Old Cafeteria where there are a large number of strays. The cat bit him, but he was not hurt. Housekeeping sent him to the hospital to get

rabies shots just in case. But, that is the only incident that Nelson knows of.

"I'm not scared of them, but I've kept my distance since he got bit," Nelson said. "But, I've seen some people trying to feed them and they need to know not to try to pet them."

Parson wants students to help avoid more stray cats in the future.

"First of all, don't take an animal if you don't know if you can keep it," she said. "Second of all, if you can not take it when you leave, try to find it a home. If you can't, either call us at the Humane Society or call the pound. They kill the animals at the pound, but that's better than leaving them to become wild and a danger to themselves and to us."

Buckley and Klop want students to take more responsibility for their cats.

"It makes me so angry that these cats are running around because someone is too lazy to call the Humane Society or put an ad in the paper," Klop said. "They really need to think."

Students kick it up a notch

Tae-Bo sweeps nation as exercise trend

NINA M. DRY
FEATURES EDITOR

Just when you thought it was safe to supersize that Extra Value Meal, remember swimsuit season is just around the corner. Translation: it's time to shed any pounds you missed before Spring Break or rid yourself of the ones you gained afterward. What better way to do it than join the workout that's sweeping the nation: Tae-Bo.

"Tae-Bo is a trademarked licensed name of a martial arts fitness class," said Sam Combs, fitness coordinator at the Student Recreation Center. "It's basically a martial arts, boxing-styled workout."

Tae-Bo's claim to fame can be attributed to Billy Blanks, athlete extraordinaire. This seven-time World Karate champ has done it all, from winning the Golden Gloves championship in Massachusetts to starring in hit movies such as The Last Boy Scout and Blood Fist.

According to Blanks' web site, while training at his California home, Blanks began to combine dance music with his Tae Kwon Do moves. This soon evolved into Tae-Bo. In 1989, he decided to introduce his new workout to the world by opening the Billy Blanks World Training Center in Sherman Oaks, Ca.

Word of mouth brought in the clients, but it wasn't until singer choreographer Paula Abdul attended the Tae-Bo classes and began showing results that Tae-Bo took off, becoming a household word with the celebrity population.

"[Blanks] does a lot of personal training in California," Combs said.

"It placed him in a great position to market his product so well."

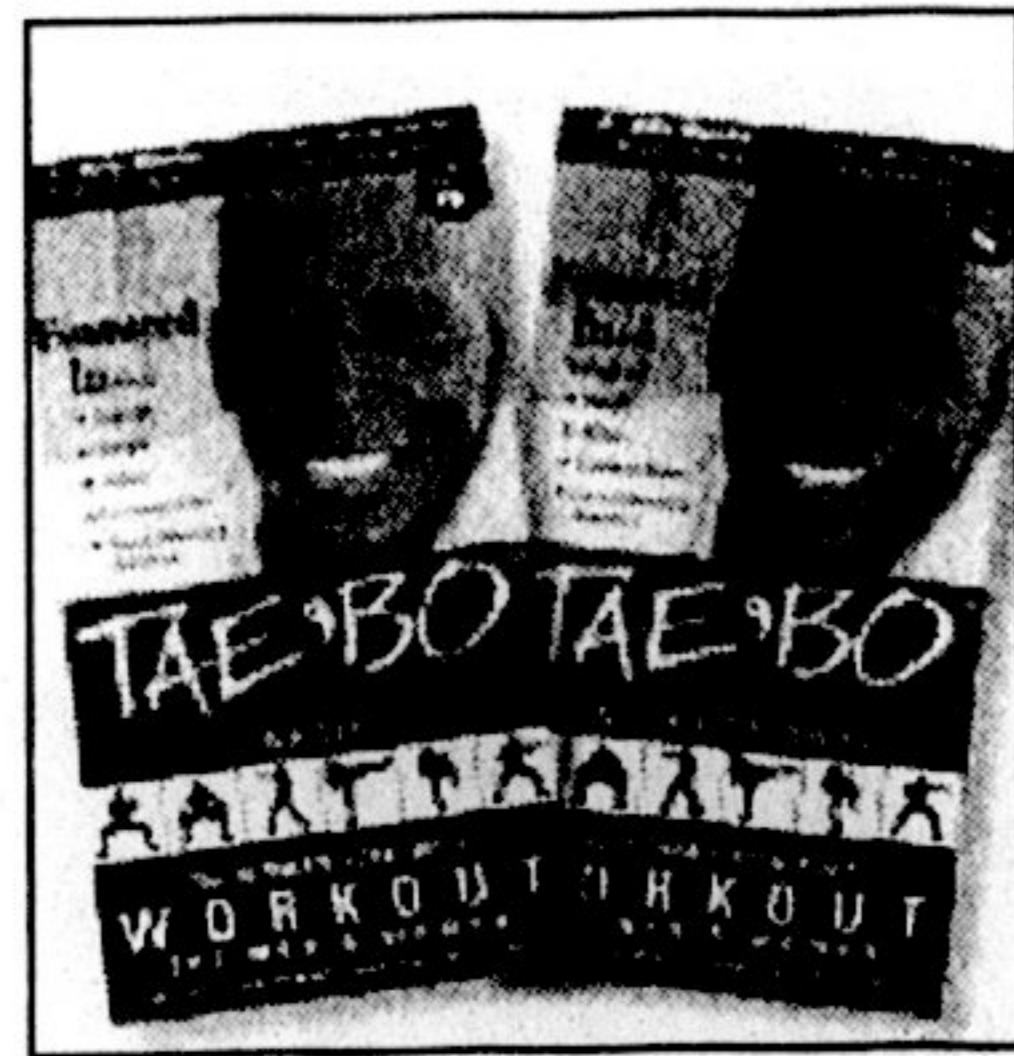
With the help of a few (thousand) infomercials, Tae-Bo became a household name for us as well.

People have jumped aboard the Blanks bandwagon, purchasing his tapes and working out—Tae Kwon Do-style.

Roberta Ellis, a Greenville resident, was bombarded like many by the Tae-Bo infomercials. She liked what she saw and purchased the tapes.

"I took notice when celebrities like Shaquille O'Neal spoke of the results of Tae-Bo," Ellis said. "I do not think he would endorse something he didn't believe in."

College students also have taken notice of the rave. But, since we are



Blanks' videos takes world by storm
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living on a college students' income, not all of us can afford the "three easy payments of \$29.95."

"I borrowed the tapes from a friend," said Ryann Harris, senior. "It's a good workout. You definitely feel it the next day."

According to students, the best thing about it is that it's easy to do and it's not a workout that you would do for a week, then allow the tape to collect dust next to your VCR.

"Martial arts is something I enjoy doing," Ellis said. "It's a solid workout with a good background.

Those who are dedicated will always stick to it."

"Besides working out, you learn defense motions which is good to learn," Harris said. "It definitely keeps my attention better than other workout tapes."

According to Combs, he believes the reason so many people stick with it is because of the repetitive motions.

"It's easier to stick with if you do not have to remember complex foot patterns or step combinations," Combs said. "It's more sports-specific and user-friendly for people looking for less complexity in a class."

Those who take Tae Kwon Do usually take a great interest in trying out Tae-Bo. Freshman Mike Caston takes Tae Kwon Do at the Rec Center and is interested in Tae-Bo.

"Tae Kwon Do rocks!" Caston said. "Thus, Tae-Bo must be at least the equivalent if not the greater of the two. It's more than Tae Kwon Do; it's Tae Kwon Do and boxing, baby."

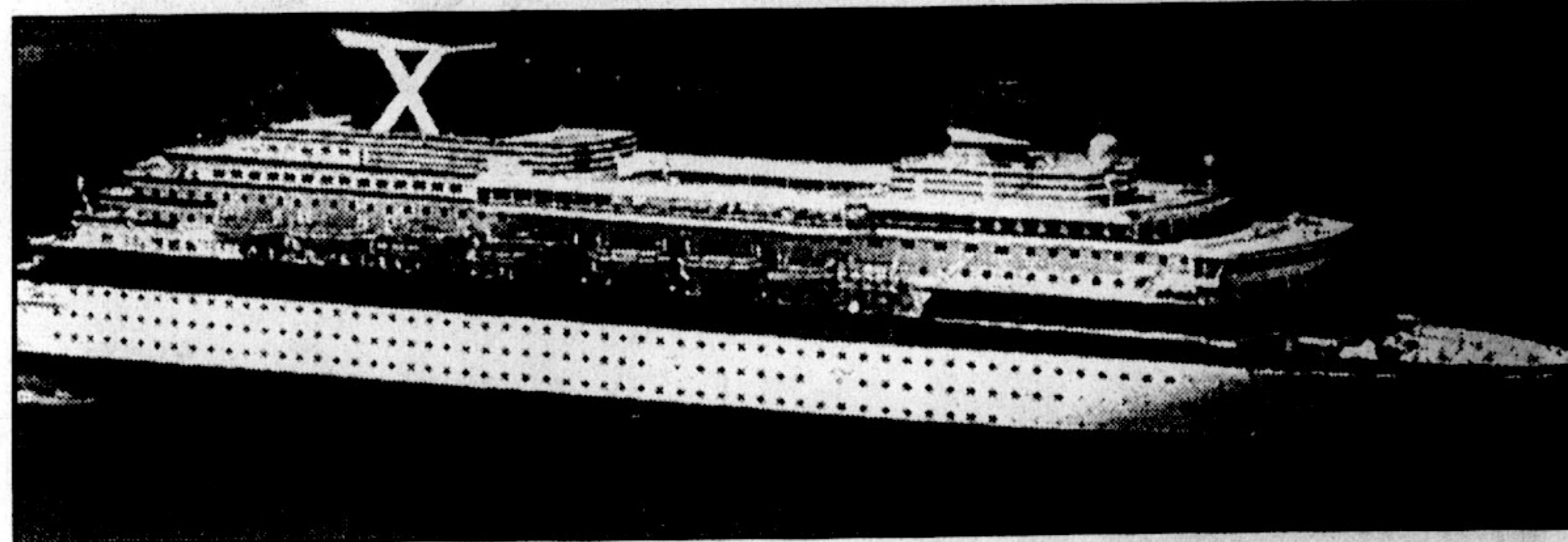
Not everyone can shell out the cash for this tape nor do they want to wait four to six weeks to get the tapes in the mail. For you impatient people, there are martial arts kick boxing classes offered here in Greenville.

Byung Lee's Tae Kwon Do Academy offers courses similar to Tae-Bo called Tae-Kwon Kickboxing.

According to Lee, owner and instructor of the academy, it costs \$39 a month and those interested can come in as often as they like within that month.

"We offer classes Monday through Thursday from 8:30 p.m.-9:30 p.m.," Lee said. "People can come in as often as they would like—usually they come in two to

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"We feel that one of the greatest benefits of offering a trip such as this is giving people the chance to vacation with trained museum staff," said Frieda Nicholson, President and CEO of Discovery Place.

Representatives from the museum will lead guests on excursions geared towards their particular age group and interest. Plus, participants will have the opportunity to choose their own activities, which

are different from what the typical Alaskan vacation offers.

The options for learning are numerous. The first part of the trip is the cruise itself. From the Holland America ship M.S. Ryndam, guests will sail between Vancouver, British Columbia and Seward, Alaska viewing the sights of Ketchikan, Juneau, Sitka and Valdez. Along the way, all sorts of wildlife such as whales and sea lions can be seen, and the area will be adrift with glaciers and ice floes.

"Basically, the trip offers something for everyone," said Jim Hoffman, who handles media for Discovery Place. "If you are interested in learning more about Alaska, this is ideal."

Those guests who wish to extend their stay have the opportunity to experience even more of the natural features of this state. A sightseeing vessel is scheduled to take passengers to Kenai Fjords National Park, where visitors will view bird rookeries and beaches covered with barking sea lions. Other trips will be to the Alaska SeaLife Center and a ski resort. Also planned are sightseeing trips in the city of Anchorage and the shore of Turnagain Arm.

The last leg of the trip takes guests aboard a private rail car to the Donnelly National Park and Mount McKinley, where they will tour the park and have a chance to visit Fairbanks. The final day concludes with a river cruise and a tour of an Alaskan gold mine.

"Alaska is such a unique and different destination, a trip such as this one practically sells itself," said Carole Merriam, who handles trip registration for Discovery Place.

There are still several spaces available for anyone who is interested. The costs range from \$1,832 for the cruise alone to \$3,820 for the cruise and tour combination. Reservations or more information can be obtained by calling (704) 372-6261, ext. 205.

If you can't make this trip, there are several other ways that you can take advantage of the services that Discovery Place offers. Each summer, a major trip is planned, and the museum usually switches off between their Alaskan vacation and a trip to Kenya. Both of these trips are led by museum staff, and all stress vacation time as well as learning about the area and its natural

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Mentally challenged teen faces jail time

WEST PALM BEACH, Fla. (AP)—A 15-year-old retarded boy grabbed \$2 in lunch money out of the pocket of a classmate—and for that, he could have gotten life in prison.

For weeks, prosecutors defended their decision to treat Anthony Laster as an adult, even though the boy communicates on the level of a 5-year-old. He spent four weeks, including Christmas, in a jail for adults because his sister was unable to raise the \$500 needed to get him out.

Then, last week, two days after "60 Minutes" arrived to do a story on the case, the charges were dropped.

The prosecutor offered no apologies for his zero-tolerance stand in the case of Anthony, who never knew his father and whose mother died in November.

"You do not cherry-pick the cases, you do not say you feel sorry for this person because there's a developmental disability or this person has had a bad family life so we won't charge him as an adult," said Mike Edmondson, a spokesman for Palm Beach County State Attorney Barry Krischer.

The decision to drop the charges of strong-arm robbery, extortion and petty theft Thursday had nothing to do with "60 Minutes," Edmondson said.

The 14-year-old victim changed his story and his new version did

not back up the severity of the charges, Edmondson explained.

The child originally told police he felt threatened and in fear of physical harm when Anthony demanded his money during art class Dec. 1 at a Boynton Beach middle school. Later, he said he did not feel he was in danger.

State law gives prosecutors authority to decide which juveniles are treated as adults. Edmondson said in Palm Beach County, the policy is to treat as adults all offenders who are at least 14 and have committed a felony.

"If it is automatic, they've got a lot of holes in their zero-tolerance policy," said John Walsh, an attorney with the Juvenile Advocacy Project who was appointed by a court to represent Anthony.

Anthony did not deny taking the money. He said he was hungry and used the money to buy candy, according to police.

Walsh said what was needed in this case was for someone to take a look at the child and his circumstances.

"Maybe if they had done that they would have seen that he was having difficulty dealing with his mother's death," he said. "There just seemed to be very little attention to the individual child. No one seemed to care."

Anthony's family did not return

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history. In addition, a trip to the Galapagos Islands is being planned for next year.

Discovery Place also offers short trips to North Carolina beaches and mountains, as well as other local excursions to areas around Charlotte.

In-house offerings include an Omnimax theater, where films on topics such as Egypt

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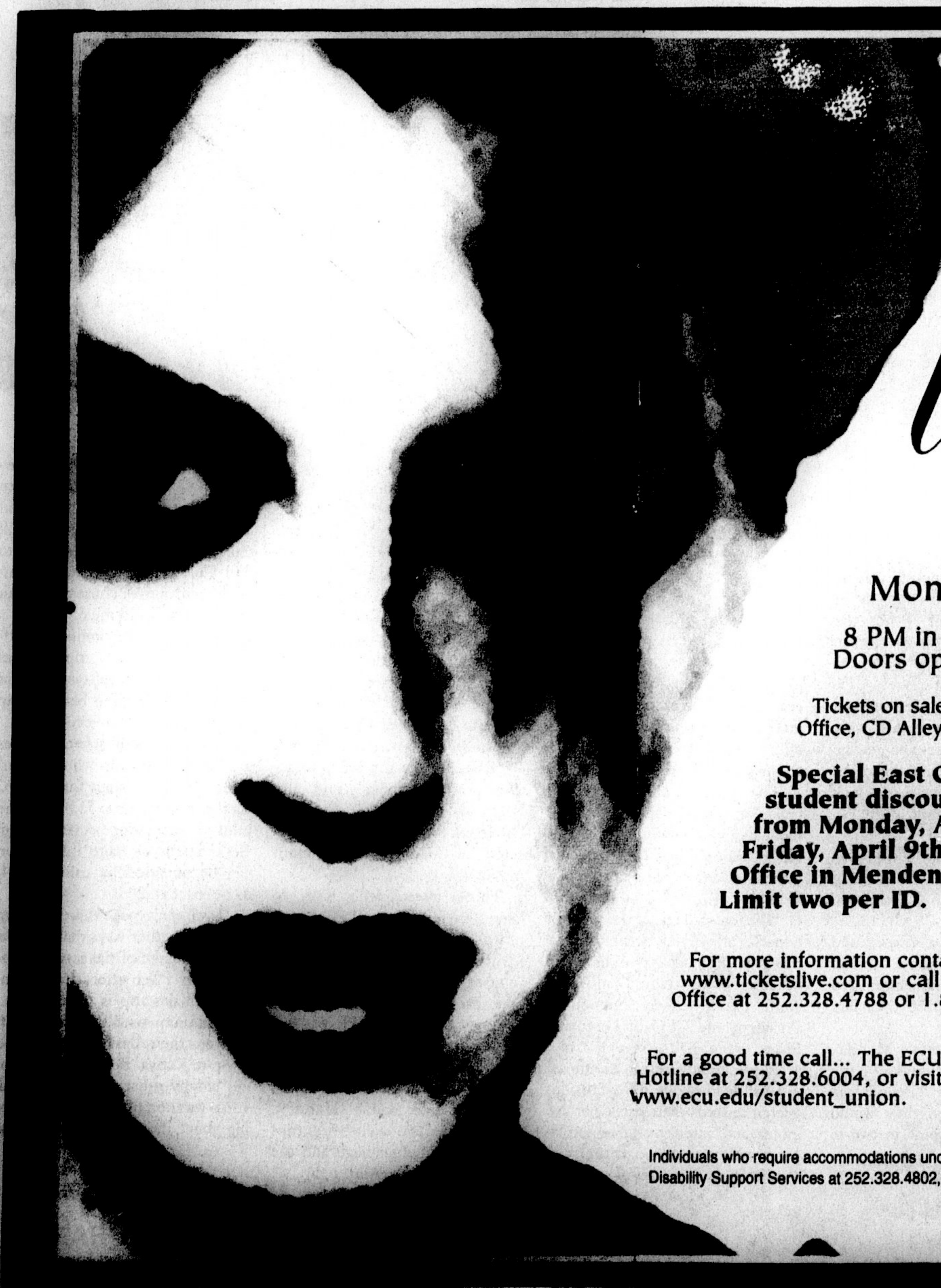
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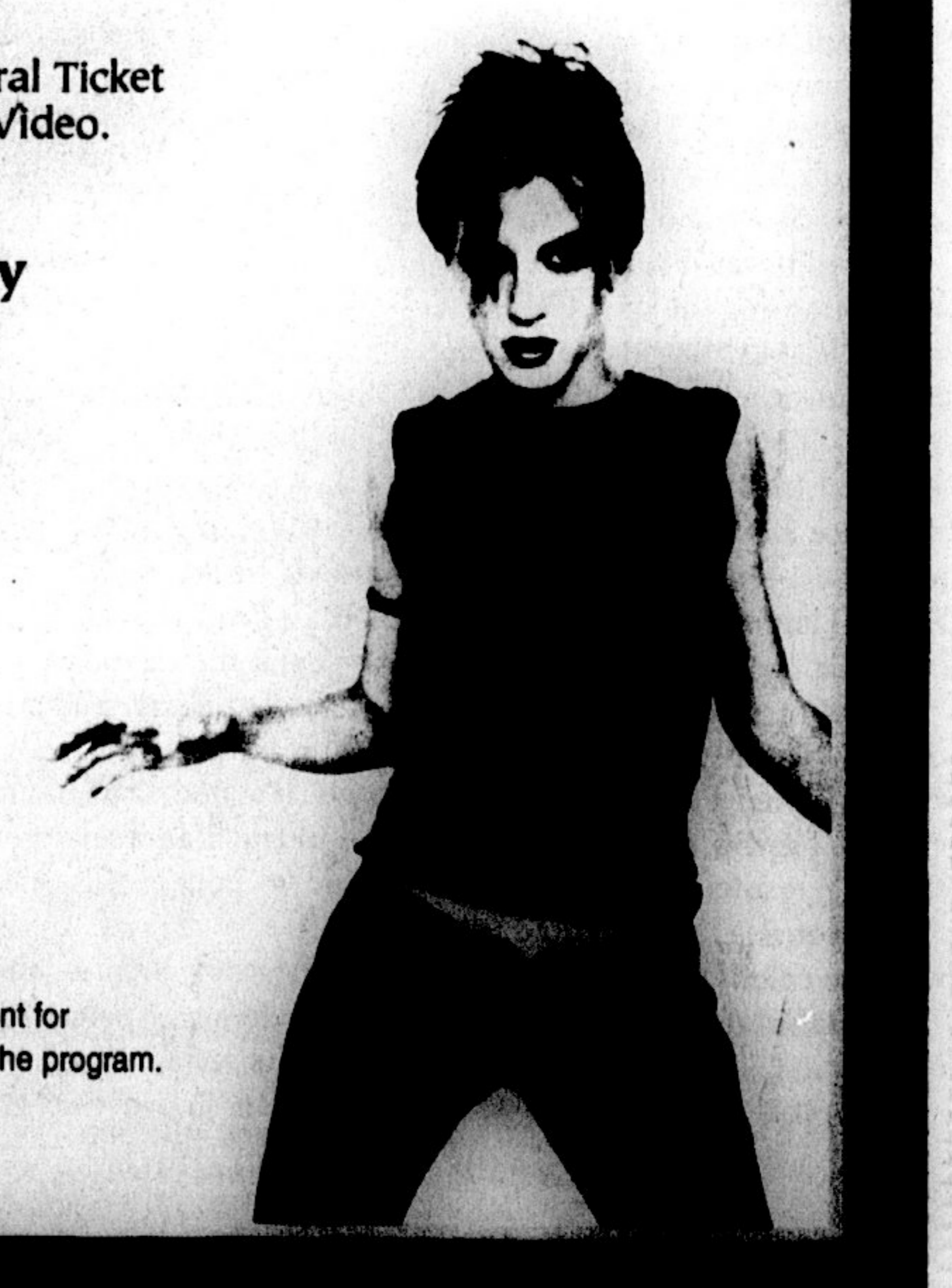
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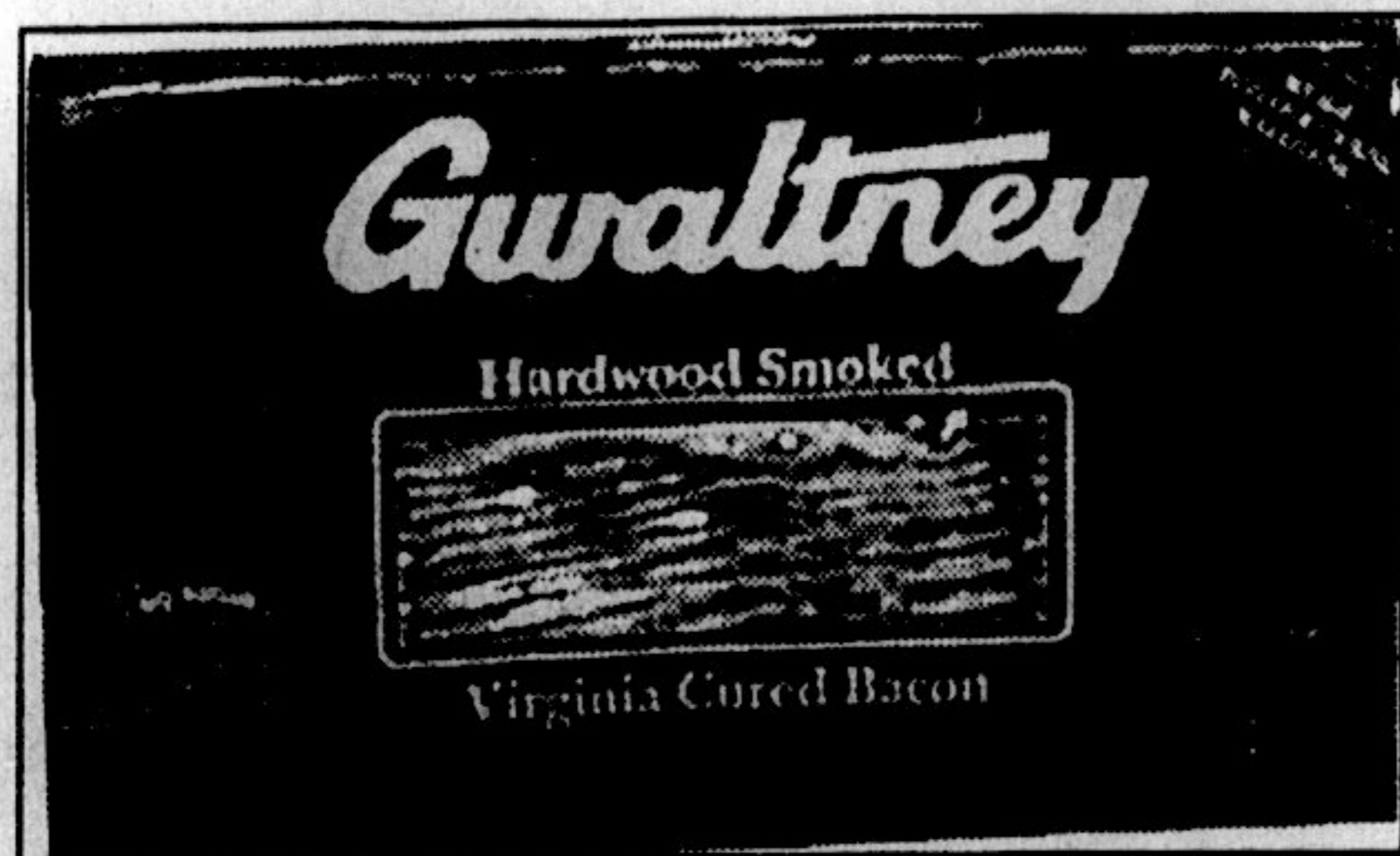
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Charlene Wise, convicted Tuesday, was charged with the first-degree murder of her daughter

Charnae in 1997.

Police found the girl's skeletal remains in the family's basement after Ms. Wise's oldest daughter told investigators her mother had said the child was dead. The child's remains weighed just 12 pounds.

Her son Dante Wise, 9, had tes-

tified that his mother beat him with belt buckles, fists and hair brushes. Ms. Wise broke down sobbing in the courtroom as her son spoke.

Ms. Wise's attorney, Anthony McKnight, contended his client did not intend to kill her daughter, but that she only had been negligent.



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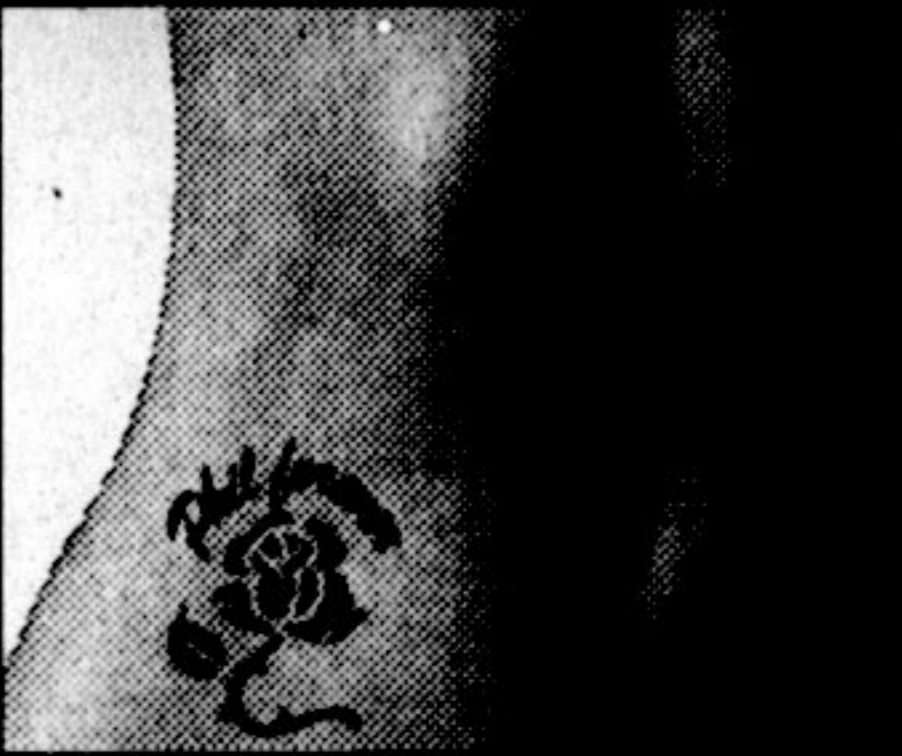
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Some students who participate in the Rec's Cardio-Box classes have different opinions of Blanks' tapes.

"I get more of a workout at the Rec than I do with the Tae-Bo tape," said Angela Hershberger, sophomore. "The instructors do a better job at the Rec increasing heart rate and giving a complete muscular workout."

But like all good things, they must come to an end at some point. Will Billy Blanks and his ever-famous Tae-Bo tapes go down as another exercise trend?

"That is the ultimate question," Combs said. "It might suffer from overexposure. People will saturate themselves from it after awhile."

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calls for comment.

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TEC names its Coach of the Year

**Baseball coach
LeClair wins honor**

BLAINE DENIUS
SENIOR WRITER

Since being asked to step up to the plate as the Pirates' head baseball coach two seasons ago, Keith LeClair has delivered a grand slam performance at ECU.

After polling ECU coaches, students, and athletes and researching individual accomplishments, LeClair has earned the 1999 TEC Coach of the Year award. No

stranger to recognition or success, LeClair is half-way through the '99 season and has already led his team to their best start since 1990 with a 28-6 (6-0) record. LeClair enters his second season at ECU this year and is coming off a 30-29 record in 1998. Despite all of his awards and popularity, LeClair remains modest and is rather surprised at TEC's decision to name him coach of the year. "I certainly appreciate it," LeClair said. "It's a little premature when we've only played half our season, but I appreciate the fact that I guess people think we have done a good job. To me it's not so much an award for a coach as it is for a team."

Even though coaches often receive the praise and honor for the success of a team, LeClair believes the players are the key. He gives his players here at ECU the majority of the credit for the achievements he has made as the Pirates' frontman.

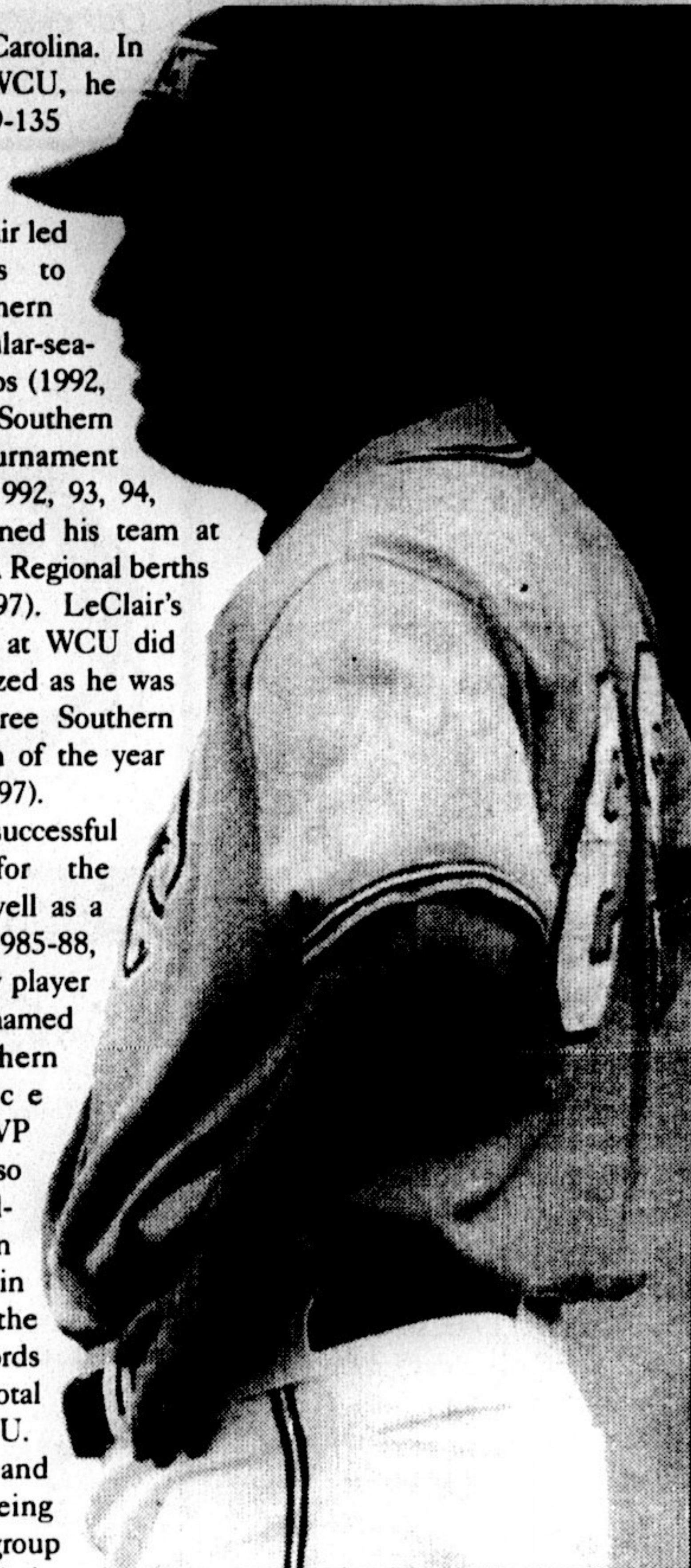
"I think good players make up good teams," LeClair said. "To me that's what it's all about, it's not so much an individual award as it is a team thing. Good players make you successful and I think we work hard, do the right things and I think the kids know what we are trying to accomplish."

LeClair began his coaching career in 1992 at his alma

mater, Western Carolina. In six seasons at WCU, he achieved a 229-135 record and never suffered a losing season. LeClair led the Catamounts to three Southern Conference regular-season championships (1992, 93, 97) and four Southern Conference Tournament championships (1992, 93, 94, 97). He also earned his team at WCU four NCAA Regional berths (1992, 93, 94, 97). LeClair's coaching success at WCU did not go unrecognized as he was honored with three Southern Conference coach of the year awards (1992, 94, 97).

LeClair was successful as a coach for the Catamounts, as well as a player. From 1985-88, LeClair was a key player at WCU and was named the Southern Conference Tournament MVP in 1988. He was also named to the All-Southern Conference team in 1988 and holds the 'single-season records for hits (101) and total bases (179) at WCU.

"Hard work and dedication, being close knit as a group are important to being successful in the long run," LeClair said. "I've never seen an individual who worked hard and was dedicated not have good things happen to them. If we can instill those things into our players then in the long run we have a pretty good chance



Keith LeClair wins inaugural TEC Coach of the Year

FILE PHOTO

to be a successful team." After nearly a decade, the Pirate baseball team is back in the national rankings and this has brought

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Clayton has best season ever

Thrower ends Pirate career with success

MANDY REUTTER
STAFF WRITER

Fifth year senior, Michelle Clayton has taken the track world by storm.

Clayton entered what is to be her last year competing in the ECU's signature purple and gold colors and she has set her goals accordingly. "My goals were to win the ECAC championship in the hammer throw and to qualify for the NCAAs," said Clayton.

Clayton achieved her first goal by winning the ECAC for the hammer throw during the indoor season and is currently ranked 14th

in the nation, but plans to surpass the competition. This season alone, she has broken three school records in the hammer, shot and discus, and has also set the meet record while at the Duke Invitational for the hammer.

Clayton has routinely finished in among the top collegiat competitors at this season's meets. Over the course of the season she has earned the respect of her teammates and her opponents.

But Clayton doesn't plan on stopping here. There is still a lot of the season left and when that's done, preparation begins for the Olympics.

"I'm focusing on the Olympics in 2004 for the hammer, that's my main goal," said Clayton. "I plan on going to the Olympic trials next year, but I realize that realistically, 2004 is my best shot."

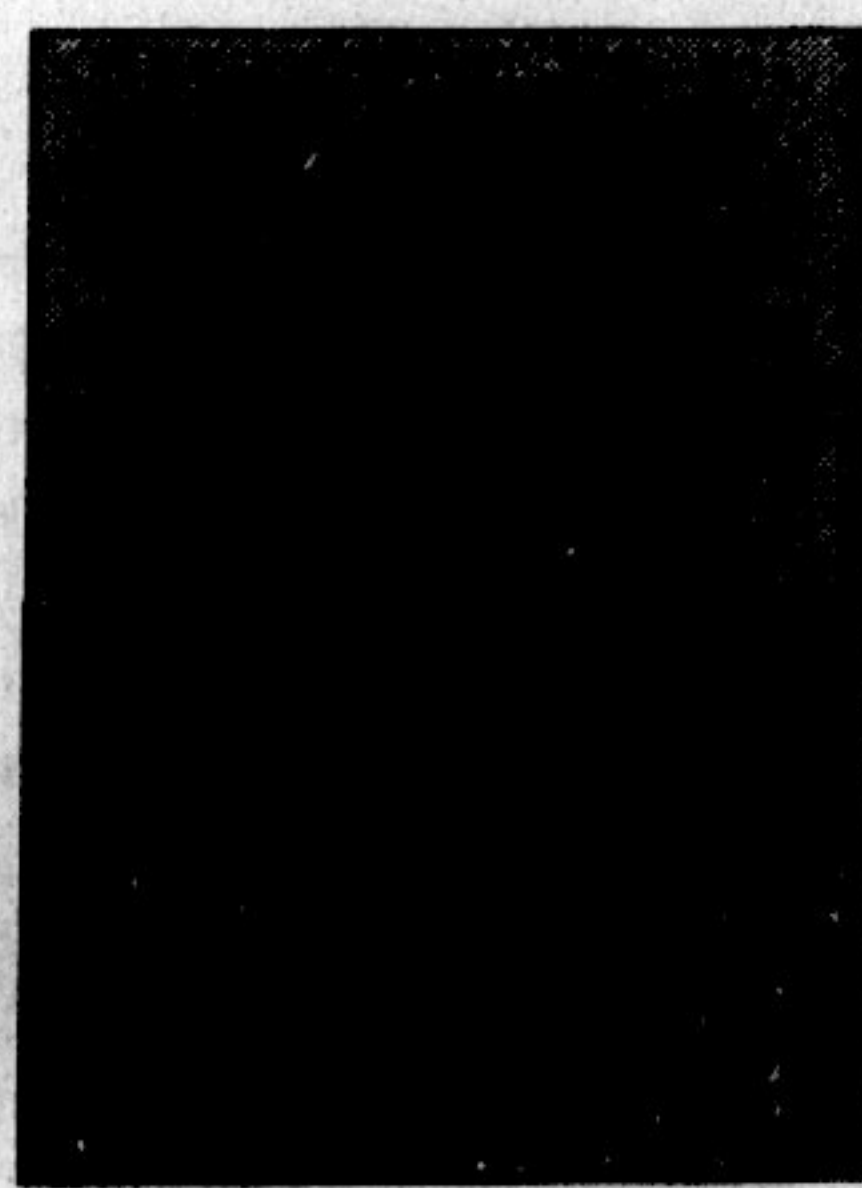
Clayton is definitely going to be missed by players and coach Charles "Choo" Justice, but no one will probably miss her more than her own sister, Margaret Clayton who has been following in her big sister's footsteps.

"She is constantly motivating me," said Clayton. "If she wasn't out there, I wouldn't be the player that I am now."

Clayton is not only a great athlete, but she is also academically gifted. Clayton is among the few who have been named ECU scholar athlete of the year for her

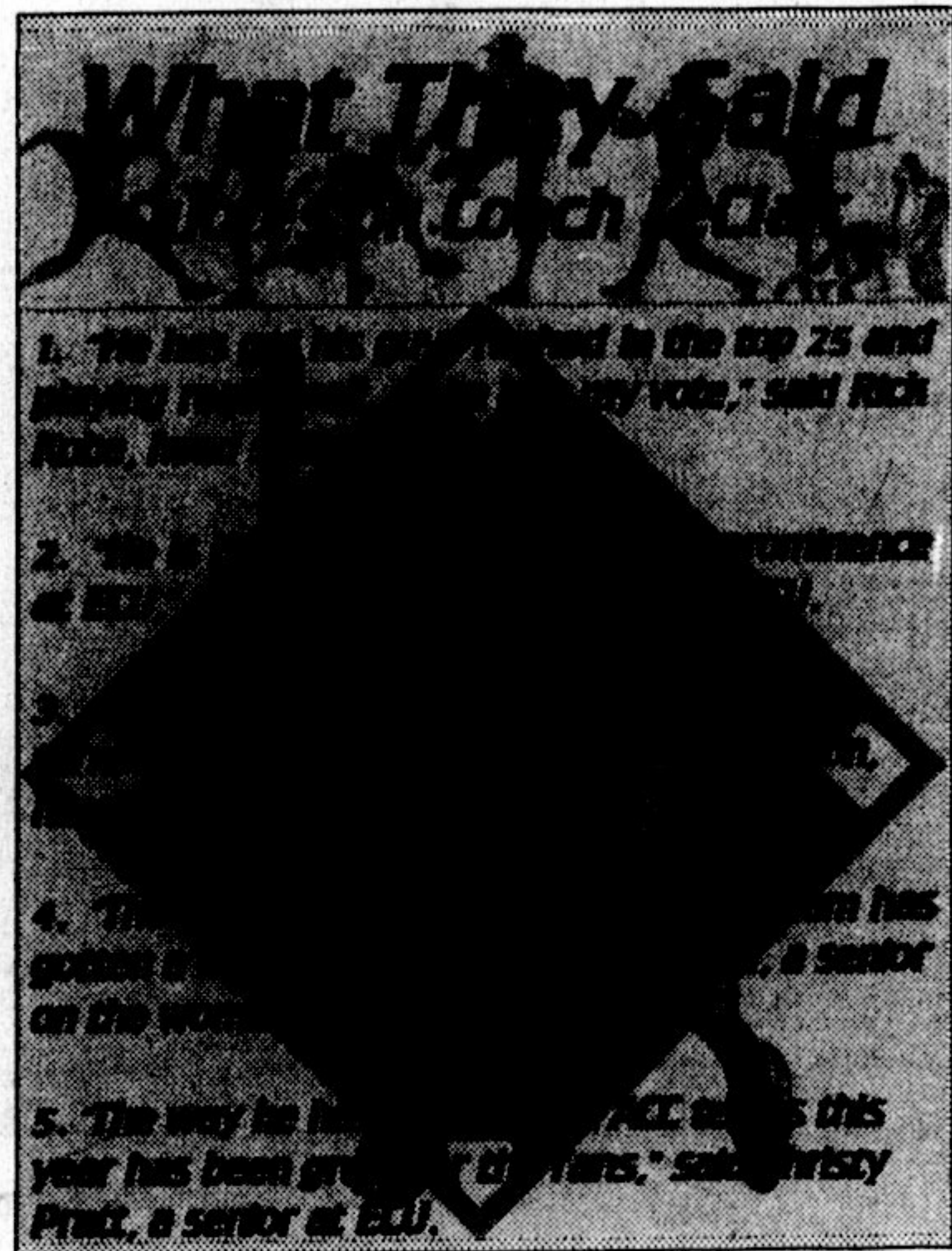
success in the classroom. "Michelle is one of the most coachable athletes and the hardest working," said Coach Justice. "She has committed herself to be the best in and out of the classroom."

Clayton continues to search for the goals she has set for herself as she enters into the last half of the season. Justice and her teammates hope the second half of her senior year will be as productive as the first.



Senior thrower Michelle Clayton

FILE PHOTO



Cheerleaders put up top performance

Controversial penalty proves costly

MORGAN HEFNER
STAFF WRITER

The ECU cheerleading squad traveled to Daytona over Easter break and put on a top 10 performance.

The ECU cheerleaders competed with 22 other universities for the national championship, but due to a penalty, they finished 18th.

Before the penalty was assessed to their scores the Pirates had put up a score well enough to place them 10th and secure them a spot in the final round. Only the top 10 teams in the preliminaries advance to the

finals.

The Pirate cheerleaders were charged with a safety penalty. The premise of the penalty is that when having a pyramid of two and a half or higher, a squad must have a spot on both the front and back sides. The ECU squad had only one side with a spot. This was the cause of the deduction. However, the pyramid in the routine was only two high, thus not warranting a spot on both the front and back.

The cheerleaders and their coach protested the judges' decision, but to no avail.

"It was terrible," said Russ Saputo, squad member. "We had a score good enough to beat Florida State."

Everyone on the team was really pleased with the overall performance of the group.

"We did really well and everyone was pleased," said Mindy Walker, captain. "It was just that



Cheerleaders entertained fans this season

FILE PHOTO

one penalty."

Coach Paula Corbet was proud of her team's performance. "They did the best they have ever done," said Corbet.

Saputo was extremely energetic when describing the competition. "We had a clean routine with no bobbles or drops," Saputo said. "That's all we could do."

"We should be proud of what we did," said Saputo. "Everybody should realize it is just great to be picked."

NC State Wolfpack defeats Lady Pirates

Kamthe and Ellbring notch lone victory

MORGAN HEFNER
STAFF WRITER

Monday the Lady Pirates tennis team lost to a nationally ranked N.C. State team 8-1.

The Wolfpack women's tennis team is ranked No. 64 nationally. The match was played at the Wolfpack Tennis Complex where the N.C. State team has suffered few losses this season.

All six singles were swept by the N.C. State squad. The closest matches were at No. 1 singles and No. 4.

Hrushida Kamthe lost 3-6, 3-6 and Meredith Spears went down 4-6, 4-6. The Wolfpack has several players that were nationally ranked

in the juniors and who have had much big match experience. This experience proved fatal to the lady Pirates in the singles competition.

The No. 1 doubles team of Kamthe and Asa Ellbring, who have showed great cohesion this season, posted the only victory for the lady Pirates. The duo was victorious over the Wolfpack team of Pilar Piana and Francie Barragan. The match was close, but the lady Pirates stood victorious in the end with a score of 8-6.

The other two doubles matches were not as positive for the lady Pirates, losing at No. 2 and No. 3 doubles to formidable opponents.

The players on the team took the loss in stride.

"It is good for us to play teams that are better than us, so we know what to work on," said Catherine Morgan, senior.

Some students responded to the match positively as well.

"I am glad that the singles

matches were as close as they were," said Kendra Johnson, freshman.

"I am glad that the singles matches were as close as they were."

Kendra Johnson

"I am surprised that one of the doubles teams won a match," said Sam Jenkins, sophomore. "I thought a victory would come in the singles."

The lady Pirates still are undefeated in the conference and overall are 9-3. Thursday they will travel to Washington D.C. to face a tough opponent at Georgetown. The match is slated to begin at 2:30 p.m.

Ken Griffey Jr. receives contract offer from Mariners

SEATTLE (AP)—The Mariners have offered centerfielder Ken Griffey Jr. an array of contract alternatives worth at least \$105 million, a newspaper reported.

Griffey told The Seattle Times he had not yet responded formally to the team's multiple offers, all of which reportedly would reach the level of Kevin Brown's record seven-year, \$105 million contract with the Los Angeles Dodgers.

"Just to get it done? I don't think

so, not with two years on my present contract," he told The Times, which carried a story Monday about the offers.

Griffey refused to confirm the offers to The Associated Press.

"I'm tired of all the questions about my contract. If I'm not worried about it, I don't think anyone else should be," Griffey told The AP just after batting practice before Monday night's home opener.

"Why don't we just let myself and Alex [Rodriguez, whose con-

tract also ends in 2000] play baseball? It's 1999, let's worry about what happens on the field. All I want to do is play baseball and not think about contracts. You guys are not going to be able to figure me out because there's nothing to figure out."

Chuck Armstrong, the team president who has handled the intermittent negotiations with agents for Griffey and Rodriguez, was out of town on family business.

General manager Woody

Woodward would only confirm that there were ongoing negotiations.

"I've said all along there are negotiations going on. But I'm not going to talk about it now. It's opening night," Woodward told The AP.

Griffey downplayed the dollar figure while talking to The Times. "It ain't about money," he said.

He's been in Seattle for 10 years and still hasn't won the World Series he dreams about.

"And I'm not getting any younger," he said. "The one thing

you can't buy in this game is that ring."

He said he worries about what the team will do about other players: Jay Buhner, Edgar Martinez, Dan Wilson, David Segui and Jamie Moyer.

"All of them are up at the end of this year. If they all go unsigned, I hope the Mariners don't expect Alex and I to play with six, seven guys we don't even know."

He said he would object if the Mariners tried to trade star short-

stop Rodriguez at the end of the season.

"Everyone believes I will be the one to stay, that I will be easier to sign than Alex. That is not necessarily true," Griffey said. "They have six or seven other guys to sign before they deal with us, and there isn't one of them [who] wouldn't defer money to help us win."

And winning is the most important thing to Griffey.

"I want this to be the Mariners year for so many reasons," he said.

LeClair

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LeClair much recognition and popularity around the Greenville area. After a three game sweep of CAA conference rival William and Mary over the weekend, the Pirates moved up to #20 in the "Baseball America" poll and to #26 in the ESPN/USA Today Coaches poll. The Pirates were last ranked nationally when they came in 23rd in the "Baseball America" poll on March 29, 1990. Even though the national ranking spotlight has given the Pirates much recognition and boosted attendance at Harrington Field, LeClair still concentrates on the big picture.

"I think you have to try and take it day in and day out and if you're ranked that's great and if not you know what you have to do," LeClair said. "Keep everything in

perspective and don't get caught up and you can achieve things on an individual or a daily basis and that is what you have to do in athletics."

Although LeClair tries not to put too much emphasis on the rankings, he understands what an honor it is to be included in the national polls. According to LeClair, it's good to give the ECU baseball program some national notoriety and he believes that the rankings are a reward for the outstanding performance of this year's Pirate team.

"We've still got a ways to go to achieve our goals, but I think it's very deserving for our players and the time and effort they put into the program up to this point and time," LeClair said. "Hopefully we will be ranked at the end of the year when it really counts."

There are many coaches at ECU who have shared the level of success LeClair has and some of these coaches have nominated him as their choice for coach of the year.

These coaches are impressed with LeClair's quick rise to fame in just his second season at ECU and women's head basketball coach Dee Gibson is one of these individuals.

"I think it's the first time we've been ranked in a long time," Gibson said. "He has done a phenomenal job and really turned the program around."

LeClair's hard work and effort have helped to encourage more ECU students support Pirate baseball and follow the team's performance this season. The Pirates' record against their ACC foes under LeClair's leadership also gained recognition among ECU's student population.

"The way he has beat up the ACC teams this year has been great for the fans," said Christy Pratt, a senior at ECU. "I am really impressed with how far the team has come."

Mijatovic fined for boycott

MADRID, Spain (AP) — Real Madrid has fined Yugoslav striker Predrag Mijatovic 5 million pesetas (dls 32,000, 30,000 euros) for boycotting Sunday's game to protest NATO air strikes against his homeland.

"The club respects and understands Mijatovic's situation, but he cannot refuse to play," team spokesman Antonio Mendez said.

The fine is the maximum under Real Madrid rules.

Mijatovic is from Montenegro, one of the two republics in Yugoslavia along with Serbia, and his family lives in Belgrade. He said he and other Yugoslav players

around the league felt they had to help their compatriots.

"I respect the sanction [fine] but don't agree with it. I'm disappointed," the 30-year-old Mijatovic said. "I will try to concentrate for the next game against Celta, but right now I don't guarantee I will play."

The club warned Mijatovic he may be thrown off the team if he continues his sit out.

Spanish news reports said Real Madrid President Lorenzo Sanz also was irritated by Mijatovic's presence at a demonstration Sunday outside the U.S. Embassy in Madrid, where the player was seen wrapped in a Yugoslav flag. Sanz argued that the club should

not get involved in politics.

Five other Yugoslav players, including Slavisa Jokanovic of Tenerife, Albert Nadj of Oviedo and Goran Djorovic of Celta, also refused to play Sunday. None have been punished although some are expected to be in the coming days.

Mijatovic, a member of the Yugoslav national team who has been with Real Madrid since 1996 and has played in the Spanish first division since 1993, scored the only goal in last year's European Champions Cup final against Juventus that gave Real its first title since 1966.

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Desi Relaford then walked on four pitches and stole second before pinch-hitter Kevin Jordan grounded to third. Chipper Jones threw out the hitter at first, but Relaford broke for third and trotted home when first baseman Ryan Klesko made a high throw back across the diamond trying to get the runner.

The error seemed to unnerve Wohlers, who walked Doug Glanville before Marlon Anderson doubled off the center-field wall to bring home another run. Wohlers

walked the next two hitters, Scott Rolan and Rico Brogna, and Cox mercifully emerged from the dugout to remove the pitcher. Wohlers threw 31 pitches - only 11 were strikes.

"We put him in a very important situation and the strike zone got away from him," Cox said. "We'll have to wait and see. He threw so many good innings during spring training, I'd hate to say it all went for naught. We'll get him in some more situations and hope we can get him back to where he was during spring training."

Wohlers muttered several profanities and stormed away from his locker.

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ACADEMIC MOTIVATION: 11a.m.-12:00 noon. The Center for Counseling and Student Development is offering this workshop on Thursday, April 8. If you are interested in this workshop, please contact the Center at 328-6661.

LEARN THE basics of Sea Kayaking while enjoying the Goose Creek State Park, April 15. Get wet and paddle the Pamlico River, located a couple of miles outside of Washington, NC! Trip departs @ 2p.m. Cost is \$9 for students and members/non-members \$14. Be sure to register by April 9, 5 p.m.

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IT HAS been previously published that students would be able to use Web registration 24 hours a day. It is necessary that the system be brought down from 9 p.m. until 1 a.m. nightly for routine backups of the system. Students trying to use the Student Desktop during these times will get a message that the system is down and the time it is scheduled to be available again. Telephonic registration is also unavailable from 9 p.m. until 1 a.m. nightly as published in the Schedule of Classes. For your convenience the scheduled hours of operation follow: March 29, 1999 through August 24, 1999: Monday through Friday 1 a.m.-6 p.m. 9 p.m.-12 a.m. Saturday 1 a.m.-12 a.m. Sunday 1 a.m.-4 p.m. 7 p.m.-12 a.m.

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TEST PREPARATION: 3:30-4:30 p.m. The Center for Counseling and Student Development is offering this workshop on Monday, April 12. If you are interested in this workshop, please contact the Center at 328-6661.

CHOOSING A Major or a Career Workshop: 3:30-5PM. The Center for Counseling and Student Development is offering this workshop on Thursday, April 8 and April 15. If you are interested in this program, contact the center at 328-6661.

THERE WILL be a WheelPower Dance on April 11 from 3-5 p.m. No registration, it's free!! Don't miss out.

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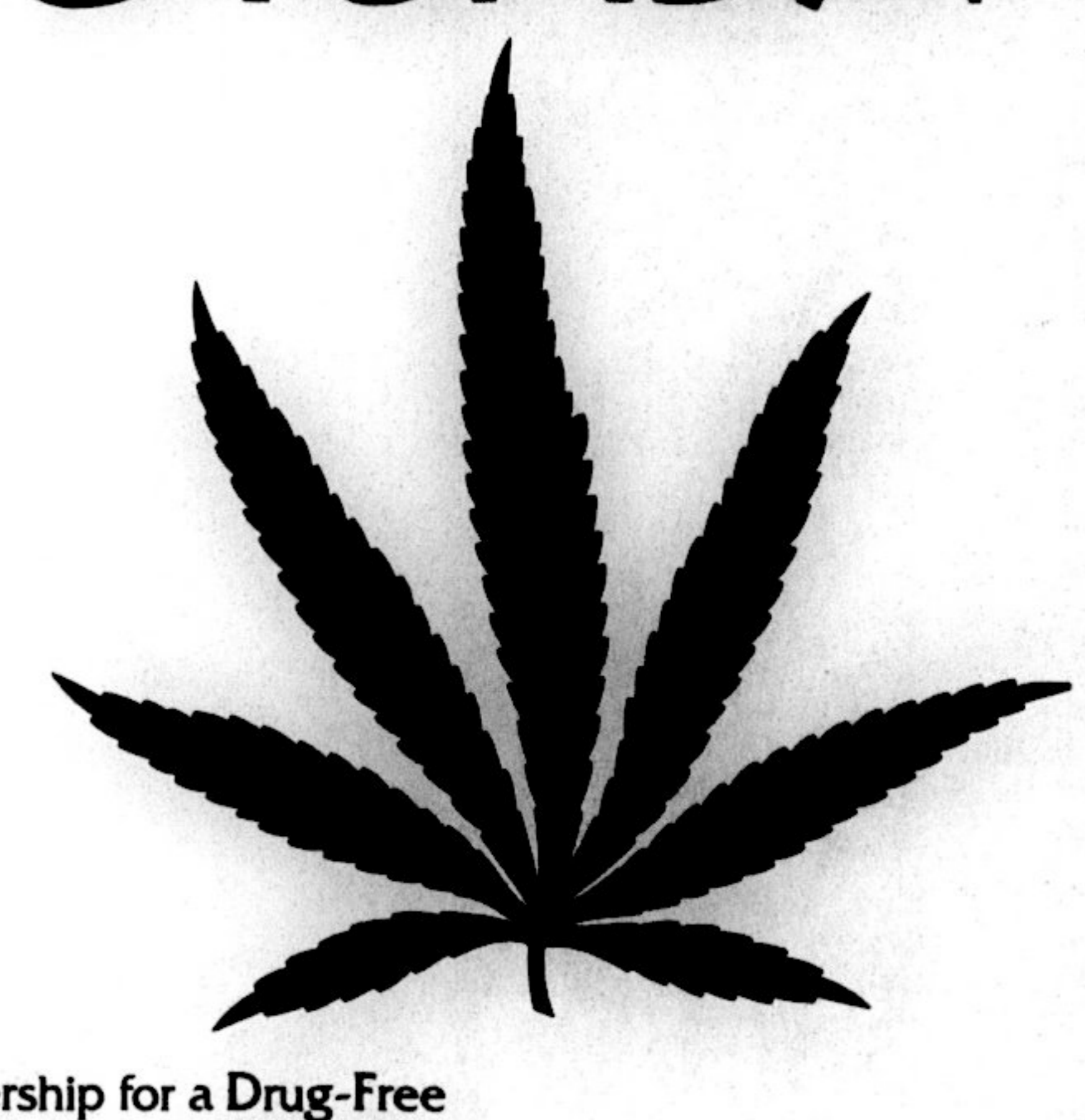
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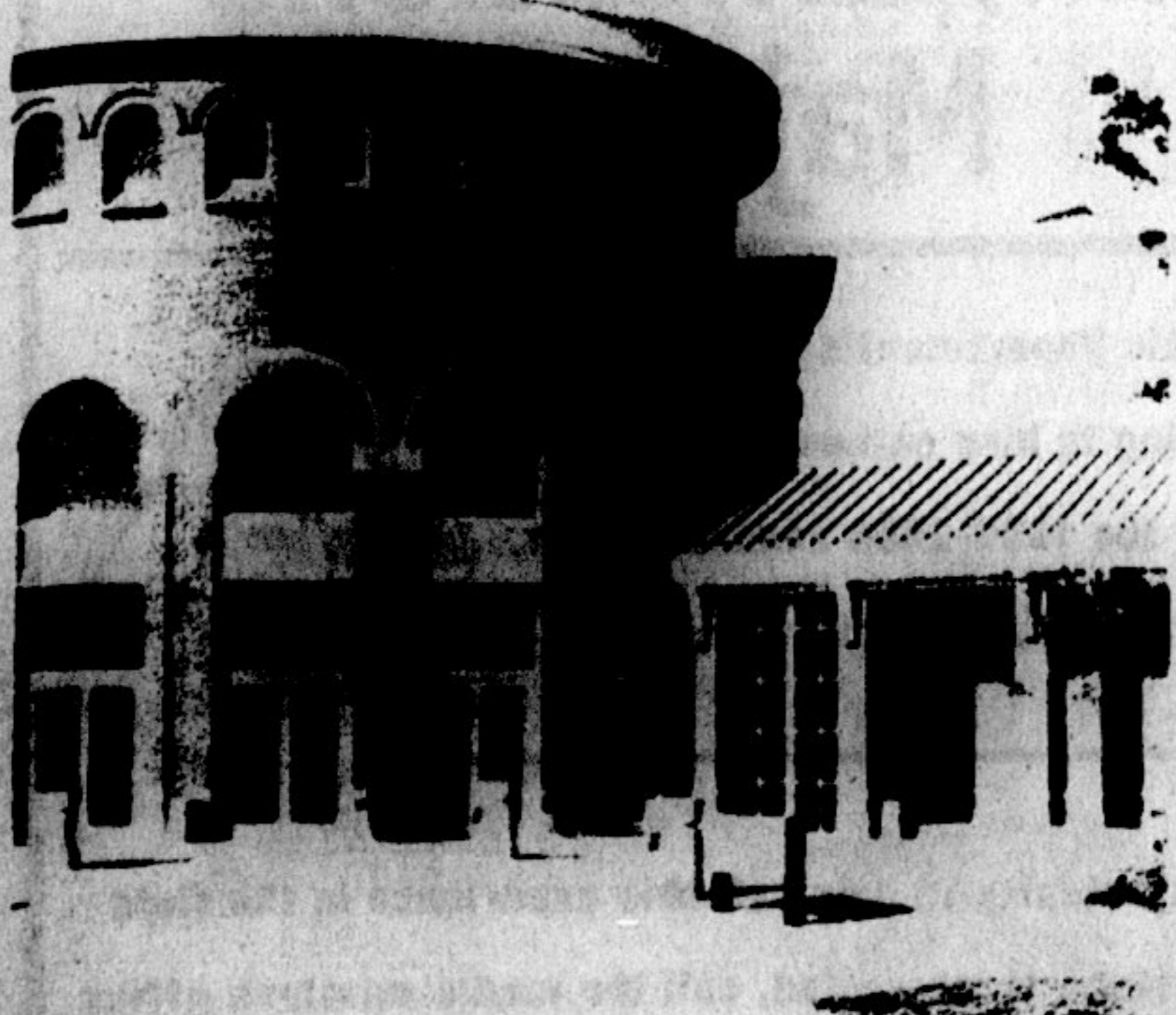
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Thursday, April 8, 1999



D. Miccah Smith
Fountainhead Editor

When you've seen Letterman drop a bowling ball off a building a thousand times, or when staring at Jay Leno's chin starts lulling you to sleep, it's time for a drastic change in your late-night viewing habits. Ever wish you had another choice?

Students are starting to tune into "The Late News," a blatantly off-color news and comedy show produced by ECU communications majors, which airs Monday and Wednesday nights at 11:30 on PCTV, channel 68.

"The Late News" is the brainchild of Adam Owens, Gabriel Lawlis and Todd Riddick, who may have started what will become Greenville's latest media and entertainment trend.

"I've done a little filming, bad acting, says Riddick, who acts as the show's audio man. "During the show I cue up the commercials and the skits and that type of thing."

Lawlis, who produces and directs the show, interacts with Owens on the air as necessary.

"Adam's the main host; I'm almost like the cohost/director. I just sit there and remark," he says.

"We have a website that's coming close to one thousand hits, and it's only been up there a few weeks," says Owens, who hosts the show.

The website began advertising the news show before the first scheduled filming on March 1, but word-of-mouth and recognition is starting to increase viewership.

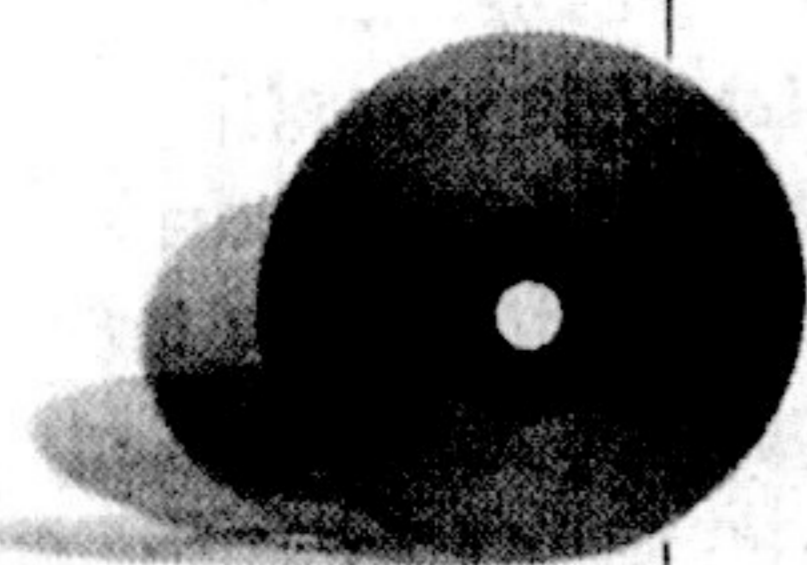
"We get spotted on campus a lot," says Owens.

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Fifth Street Live

This local show is gaining popularity

New: old stuff
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CD Review

Carrie's legacy
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Before Hanks
was famous, he
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worked the Attic
crowd into
a frenzy...



what's inside

Band Review

2 Skinnee J's throw down NY style



You've got to see it to believe it...

Patrick "Sparkles" McMahon
Staff Writer

Dammit, Dammit, Dammit. Why is it that every time I go downtown to review a really good band, they have to have an opening act that shows them up? I mean, you would think that they would at least have the brains to set up the crowd with a mediocre band to get the fans in the mood for music but nooo-oooo. Live from the venue that Playboy ranked in the top 100 of the nation's college bars, the Attic, comes 2 Skinnee J's in all their intergalactic, galaxy-melting glory. But as with all of my concert reviews, I must give at least a little ink to the opening act, Kottonmouth Kings, out of L.A. The Kottonmouths are a coalition of bas-assed white guys who seem to have inhaled a few too many bong hits of that wacky tobacky. These guys came out to heatbeat-altering

bass and drums, and threw down for the entire 40-minute set. Think Rage Against the Machine with the political button turned down a couple of notches combined with Cypress Hill's love of buddha (the plant, not the guy) and you can come to a solid conclusion as to what the Kings are all about. I have to admit they put on a great show, but it's what happened to me after the show that pissed me off. More on that later.

So now on to the real band of the night, the infamous 2 Skinnee J's, hailing out of good old NYC. As anyone who has ever been to a 2 Skinnee's show can tell you, the front row is not a place for the faint of heart. Rampant moshing and body slamming is not exactly the best thing to surround yourself with if you're good and sober, as I was (hey, I had to be conscious to review See Skinnee J, continued on page 7

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Video Review

"Volunteers" is classic Hanks material

Ryan Kennemur
Staff Writer

There was a time, albeit long ago, that Tom Hanks wasn't the superstar mega-actor that he is today. Now he plays such memorable characters as "Forrest Gump," the head astronaut in "Apollo 13," and that military guy that saved Matt Damon. But I remember him fondly as the wise-cracking and cynical funnyman in such movies as "Splash," "The Money Pit" and "Bachelor Party." The best of his movies of that era, in my opinion, was the little-seen gem "Volunteers."

Tom Hanks is absolutely great as the self-centered rich boy who flees to the Peace Corps to evade being killed for his gambling debts. He gets a chance to show off his keen



Tom Hanks stars in this comedy gem.

sense of comic timing, which is one thing he doesn't get to do these days. The Tom Hanks we know these days would never resort to cheap laughs these days, but I am living proof that there is an audience for it.

The plot is this: it's the late 60s and Laurence Bourne III (Hanks) is about to graduate from Yale. During his college career, he has racked up a gambling debt of \$30,000, the whole while believing that his rich father would take care of it. Of course, the father says no, and so Laurence trades places with his roommate and goes to Thailand with the Peace Corps. On the plane trip over, he meets Tom Tuttle from Tacoma (John Candy) who is a little too gung-ho about being in the Peace Corps for Laurence's liking. He

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WELCOME to Mendenhall Student Center It's Your Place...

To Catch a Free Flick

APRIL 8-10 AT 8 P.M. AND APRIL 11 AT 3 P.M. IN HENDRIX THEATRE.

Ringmaster (R) Incest, adultery and love triangles may be taboo to some, but it's all in a day's work for the producers of the Springer Show. Well, these same guys decided to leave the tame world of TV and make a full-length movie that holds no punches - literally! You and a guest get in free when you present your valid ECU One Card.

To Display Your Creations

FRIDAY, APRIL 9, BETWEEN 9 A.M. AND 7 P.M. IN THE MENDENHALL GREAT ROOM

The Illumina Exhibit will accept entries from students in nine categories: Communication arts, printmaking, drawing, painting, textiles, ceramics, sculpture, metal design, and foundations.

The entry fee is \$3.00, with a maximum of three entries, but the payoff is very substantial. You must present your ECU One Card when entering art pieces.

To Shoot Some Pool

Whether you need to unwind from a stressful week or your competitive juices are flowing, the billiards room in the Pirate Underground will do the job. Just bring your valid ECU One Card and a little money and rack 'em up.

MSC Hours: Mon.-Thurs., 8 a.m.-11 p.m.; Fri., 8 a.m.-Midnight; Sat., Noon-Midnight; Sun., 1-11 p.m.

To Knock 'Em Down

Give your Monday a boost from 1:00 - 6:00 p.m. with 50 cent bowling (shoe rental included). Turn Wednesdays and Fridays into discount days by rolling 10 frames for just \$1 (shoe rental included) between 1:00-6:00 p.m. at the Outer Limitz Bowling Alley in Mendenhall Student Center's basement.

To See a Future Classic

APRIL 14 AT 8 P.M. IN HENDRIX THEATRE
Shakespeare in Love (R) The Great Bard finds himself with burdened with problems - Writer's block, no social life, a severe cash flow problem, and his latest project, which is due, is barely underway. Sound familiar? Will finally turns things around, only to encounter a whole different set of problems, which include cross-dressing and a clandestine affair. You and a guest get in free when you present your valid ECU One Card.

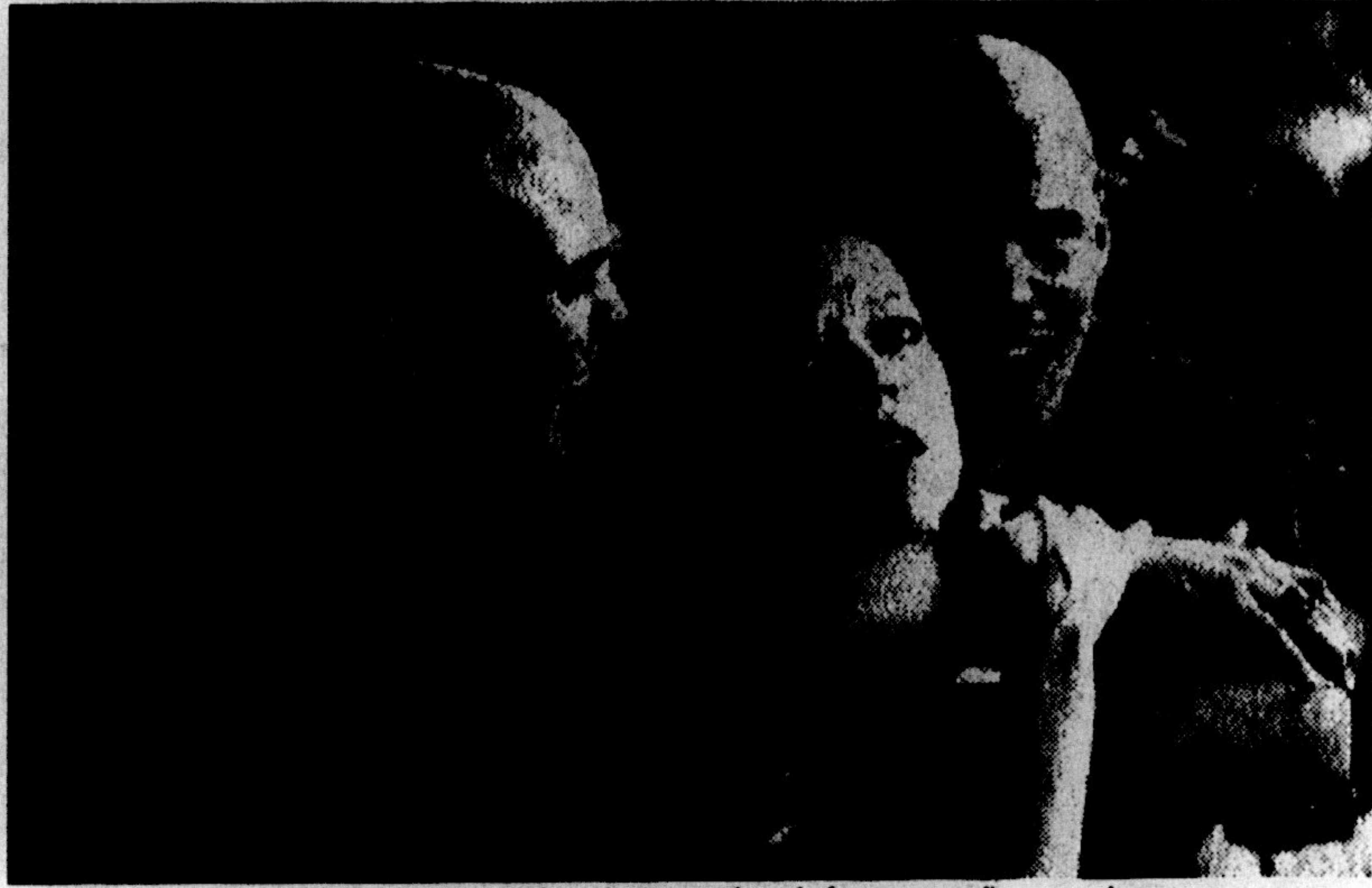
To Be Scared

APRIL 15-18 AT 8 P.M. IN HENDRIX THEATRE
I Still Know What You Did Last Summer (R) This one takes place one year after the original movie by ECU grad Kevin Williams. Julie and her roommate, Karla, take their boyfriends to the Bahamas, only to find they are still being stalked by the hook-wielding killer who knows what she did last summer... You and a guest get in free when you present your valid ECU One Card.



Movie Review

"Carrie 2" pleases hardcore fan



"Carrie 2" 's grisly scenes and clever cinematography make for a not-so-mediocre sequel...

D. Miccah Smith
Fountainhead Editor

Once in a long while a sequel comes along that is nearly as entertaining as the original movie. In horror, this rarely happens. But *Carrie 2* is as close as it's come in years. Rachel is a teenager with a tattoo, a basset hound, a best friend and a terrible secret: she possesses the same mental powers used by Carrie to destroy her high school more than 20 years ago. But things are a bit different this time around: Rachel is at least socially skilled, and has the ability to make friends. And instead of a psycho mother who screams, "They're all going to laugh at you!" she's got two laconic foster parents. Things seem almost normal for our heroine, until her friend gets deflowered by a crass guy looking to score, and jumps off the roof of their high

school out of depression. With the sickeningly realistic crack of her head shattering a car windshield, this scene jump-starts a plot filled with intrigue, revenge and ill-fated love as Rachel's tame existence takes a sharp slant towards the macabre. As the sole survivor of Carrie's fiery rampage, Sue Snell (played again by Amy Irving) has become the high school's guidance counselor. She tries to help Rachel deal with her telekinetic powers, and to avert her anger at the boy whose insensitivity led to her friend's suicide, but Rachel will accept no help. Meanwhile Rachel falls in love with a recovering sexaholic jock, and his friends, whose skirt-chasing exploits have been the ruination of several freshmen, scheme to degrade her. As the action intensifies, flashes of the original "Carrie" movie's final scenes, combined with surrealistic

black-and-white sequences, prepare the audience for the bloodbath to come. In traditional "Carrie" style, Rachel made the belle of a party, then publicly humiliated. Naturally Rachel, who resembles nothing more than a pissed young Sigourney Weaver, unleashes her powers on the hapless teenagers. Details like the throbbing tattoo of a heart on her arm, and a vine stigmata that pops out around her neck and face, add an over-the-top spookiness to her that's no bucket of pig's blood, but does the job. I'll just say that I've never seen a guy take that long to drown, and I never knew spear-guns could be used that way. And here's a little reminder in case you've forgotten how the original "Carrie" ended: don't take your eyes off the screen until the credits roll, or you'll miss the best part.

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In the grand tradition of *The Daily Show* and *Saturday Night Live* news, Owens and the boys lampoon campus news, enact tasteless skits and conduct interviews with unlikely subjects. "We had a clown, a woman from the Humane Society, a gospel singer.... They end up walking out feeling very dirty and taken advantage of," jokes Owens. Recently, Owens interviewed "The drug czar of East Carolina," who may or may not have been an actual drug distributor. He wore a Halloween mask as a disguise, and later wrestled with Owens during a Kauffmanesque

moment. Audience response is also important to Owens and the crew, who willingly air calls from anyone, including friends calling to discuss business or personal matters, or people wanting to sign up for the show's "Fifth Street Live" softball team. Homemade skits are a usual addition to the off-the-cuff rapport between Owens and his victim(s): last week, the group enlisted the help of a female friend for their "Touched by an Angel" send-up, which proved hilariously disgusting, true to form. Every facet of "The Late News" is produced by the trio, plus one of several cameramen who drift in and out of

their employ. "We do everything: go get our own advertisers, and do all that work, film their commercials," says Lawlis, who recalls only one commercial that they did not produce. Although the commercials are neither funny nor entertaining, they add to the show's "Wayne's World" ambience. "The Late News" may never compete on campus for the attention of devoted Letterman or Leno fans, but for those or us who enjoy channel-surfing, it's the perfect show to check in on now and then. And if you surf the web as well, you can check out their site at fifthstreetlive@somewhere.net.

CD Review

NWA's hits CD has all the good stuff



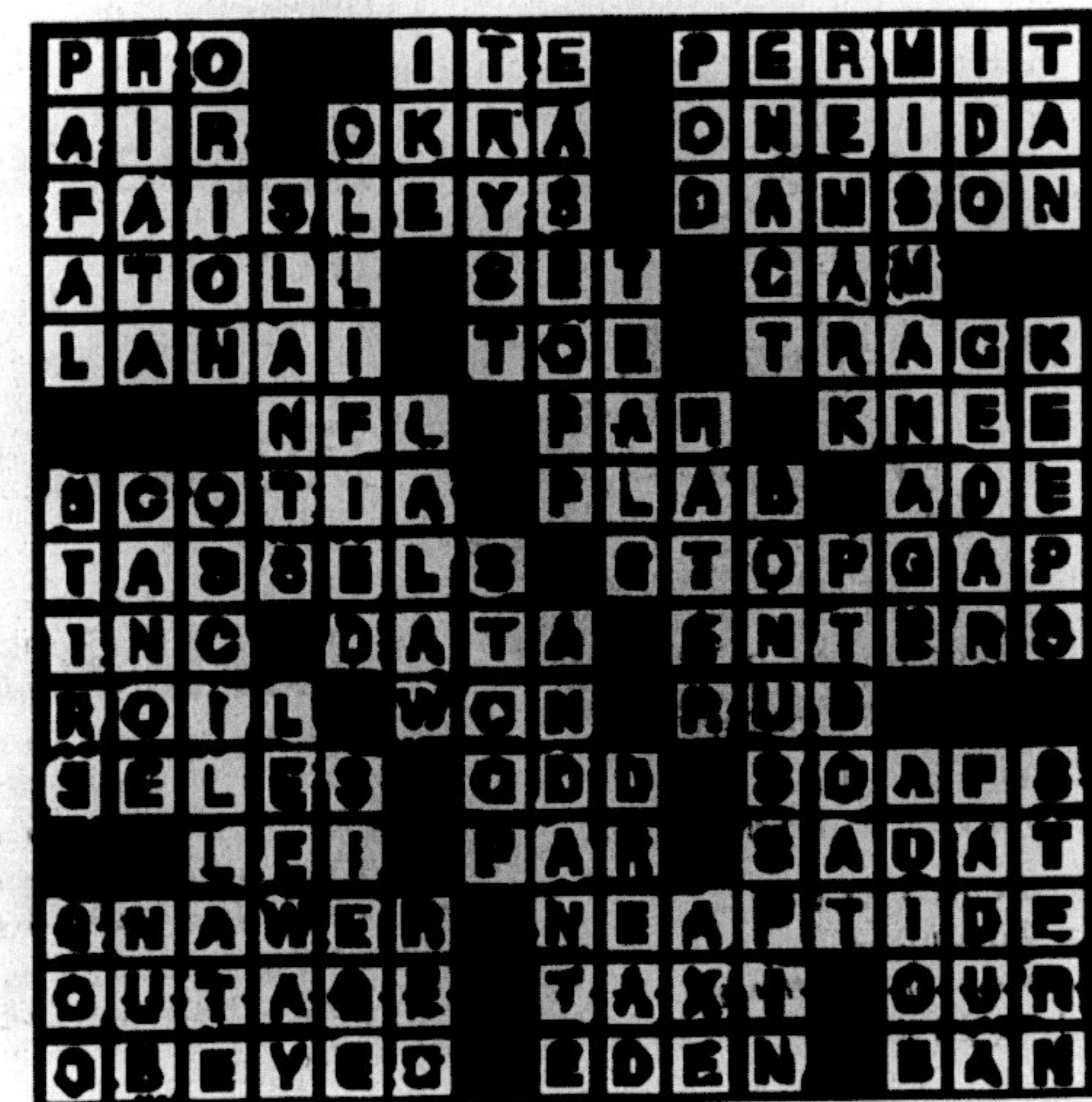
Ryan Kennemur
Rapper

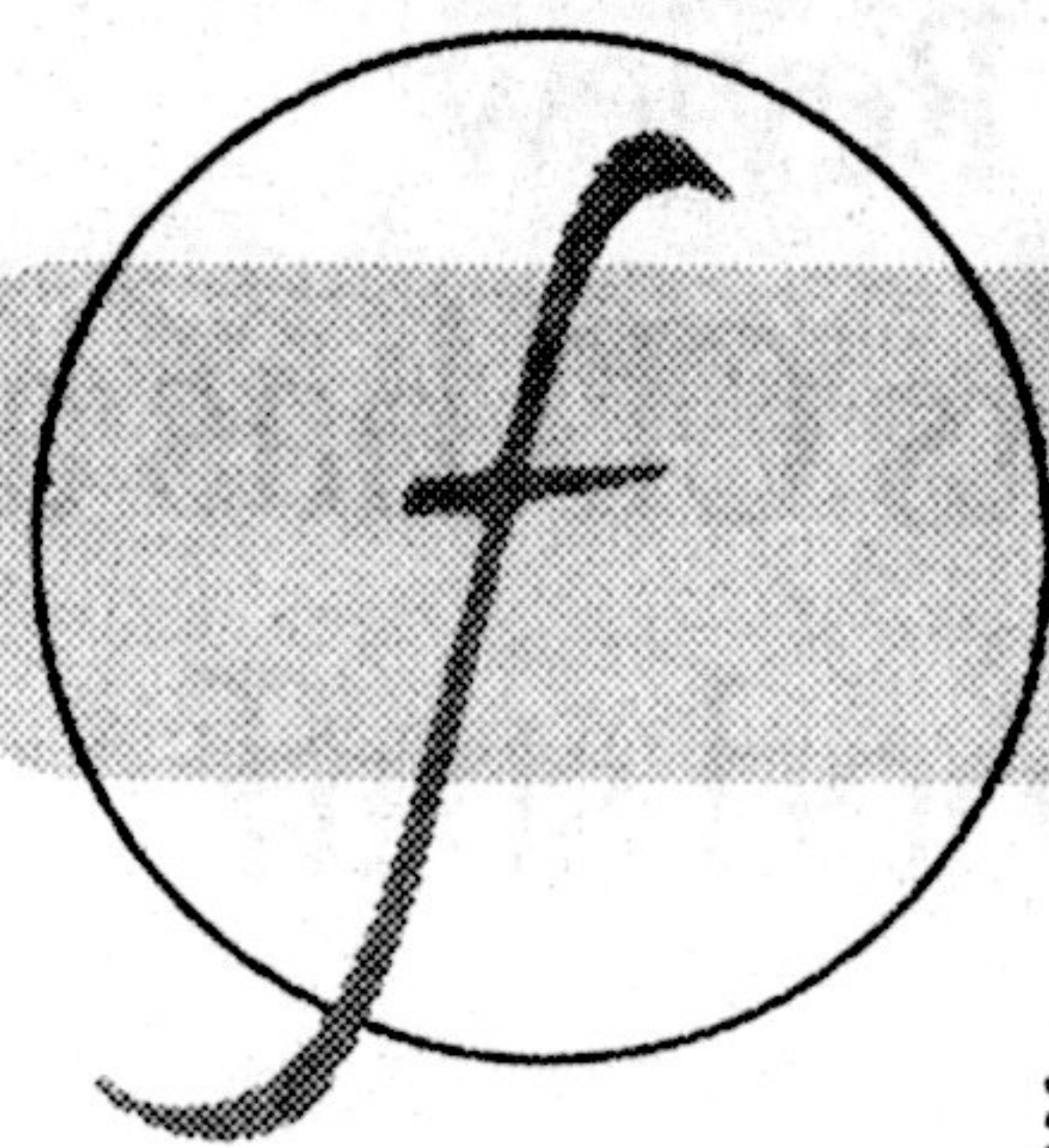
If you were to ask me what rap artist paved the way for the urban rhyme-slingers of today, I'd have a hard time deciding on just one. Of course I'd have to say Grandmaster Flash and the Sugarhill Gang, because they got the ball rolling. Then, I'd go towards Public Enemy, because they made it into a statement rather than just a long childish poem. I'd then head on over to see Run-DMC, for they took rap to a new level by fusing street-wise lyrics with rock and roll, all the while keeping it a style all their own with the Adidas shoes (which they even wrote a song about) and suits. By the late 80s, however, rap had become stapled to violence and street crime. What does a good businessman do? That's right! Rappers went where the action was, and thus was born a

new term called "Gangsta Rap." The figurehead of this movement was a supergroup called NWA, or "Niggaz With Attitude." This "chorale" of sorts was made up of Dr. Dre, Eazy-E, Ice Cube, MC Ren, and Yella. With their violent lyrics and profanity, the group was an instant success. But with this success came trouble. When their album was banned in a few states and many arrests disrupted the group, the boyz called it quits in just short of four years.

Disbanded and disengaged from everything around them, the members started out on their solo work. Priority Records has just released a new two-disc set that chronicles their efforts, as well as their offshoots and prodigies, aptly titled "The NWA Legacy." The best person to start with is, of course, Dr. Dre. His album "The Chronic" is considered by many to be the best rap album, not to mention most influential, to ever grace the CD racks. On it, he incorporated the help of the D.O.C., Rage, Bushwick Bill, Kurupt, Daz, cousin Warren G., and the immortal Snoop Doggy Dogg. He later produced Snoop's first album "Doggystyle" and then the soundtrack to *Murder Was the Case*. The latter title tune is included here, as
See *NWA*, continued on page 6

answers to Tuesday's East Carolinian Crossword





Weekly Events Calendar

Your complete guide to upcoming events in Greenville and...

Thursday

April 8

A.J. Fletcher Recital Hall

-Faculty Chamber Music Recital

Backdoor

-Glo Informer Hip-Hop Showcase

Cat's Cradle

-Olivia Tremor Control/Elf Power

The Cellar

-Karaoke 9:00-close
Chef's 505-Arvid Ray Munson

Peasant's Cafe

-Freak Out: A Tribute to Parliament and Zappa

Sports Pad/Splash

-Karaoke 10:00-close



Friday

April 9

A.J. Fletcher Recital Hall

-Horn Ensemble 8:00 PM

The Attic

-Local 420 Records (Phoenix Room)

Backdoor

-Glo Informer Hip-Hop Showcase

Beef Barn

-Cynthia White

Cellar

-Karaoke 9:00-close

Chef's 505

-Arvid Ray Munson

Deadwood

-Stampede

Gray Art Gallery

-School of Art Thesis Exhibit 5 PM (through May 1)

Hard Times

-Under the Gun

Mendenhall Movies

-"Ringmaster"

Peasant's Cafe

-Mandorico

Son II Studio

-Line Dancing

Southern Nites Nightclub

-Diggerfoot

Sports Pad/Splash

-Karaoke 10:00-close

Texas 2 Step

-Sagebrush



Saturday

April 10

The Attic

-Techno Dance (Phoenix Room)

Big Jake's Bar

-Karaoke and open mic

Cat's Cradle

-The Nashville Bluegrass Band

Cellar

-Karaoke 9:00-close

Chef's 505

-Arvid Ray Munson

Deadwood

-Stampede

Hard Times

-Under the Gun



Son II Studio

-Sound of Country

Sunday

April 11

Courtyard Tavern

-Groove Riders

Peasant's Cafe



-Open Mic Night

Monday

April 12

A.J. Fletcher Recital Hall

-Contemporary Jazz Ensemble 8:00

Peasant's Cafe

-Rubberneck: FREE SHOW!



Tuesday

April 13

A Matter of Taste

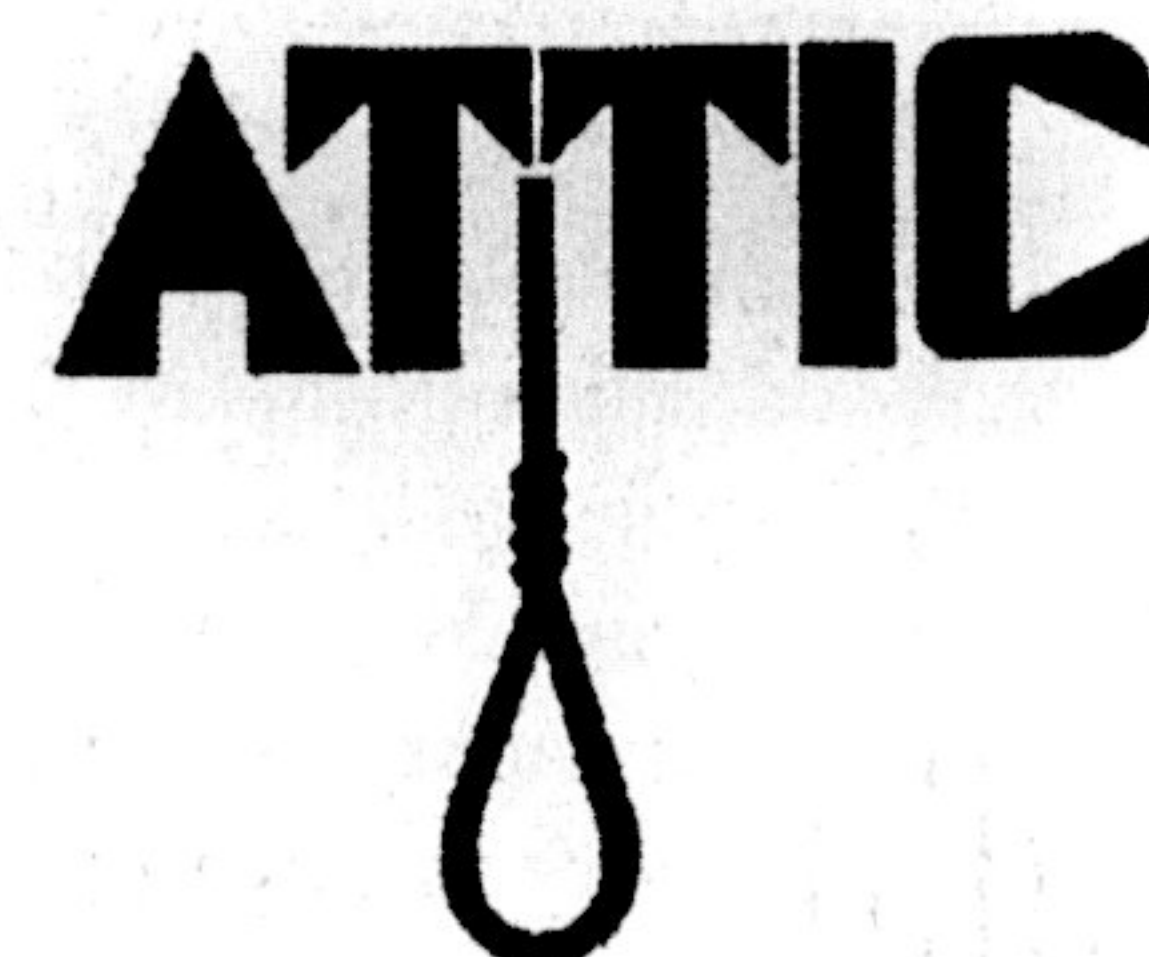
-Live Blues

Boli's

-Magic Piper

Peasant's Cafe

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Wednesday

April 14

The Attic

-Comedy Zone

Hard Times

-Shaggin' mix at 6
Hardy's Original B
turing Holiday Bar

Mendenhall Movie

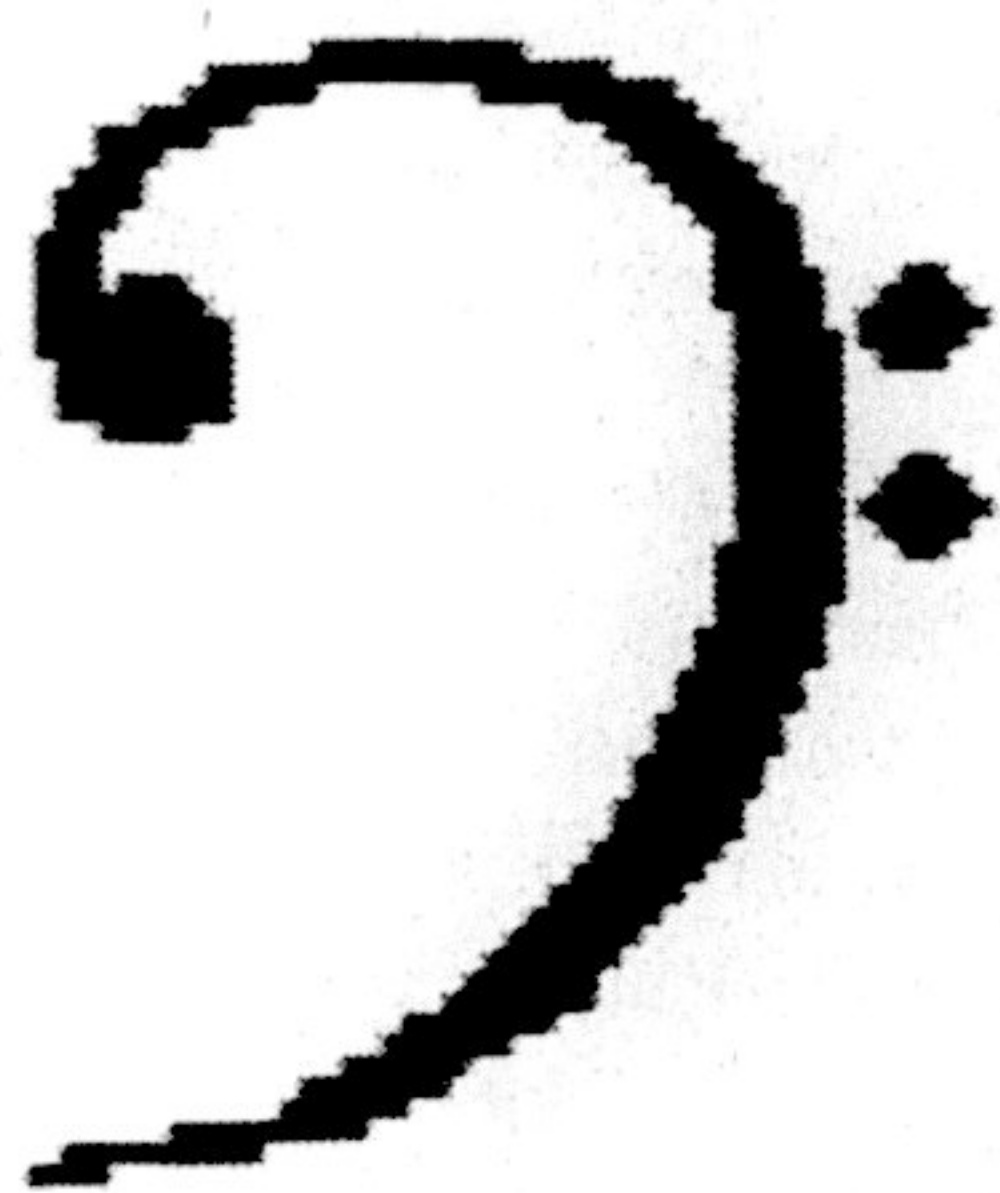
-"Shakespeare in

Sports Pad/Splash

-Karaoke 10:00-cl

Calendar

Events in Greenville and surrounding areas



Wednesday

April 14

The Attic

-Comedy Zone

Hard Times

-Shaggin' mix at 6 w/ Steve Hardy's Original Beach Party featuring Holiday Band

Mendenhall Movie

-"Shakespeare in Love"

Sports Pad/Splash

-Karaoke 10:00-close



For More Information

The Attic
Greenville, NC 752-7303
Backdoor
Greenville, NC 752-7049
The Beef Barn
Greenville, NC 756-1161
Big Jake's Bar
Williamston, NC 799-0022
BW-3
Greenville, NC 758-9191
Cat's Cradle
Carrboro, NC
(252) 967-9053
The Cellar
Greenville, NC 752-4668
Chef's 505
Greenville, NC 355-7505
The Corner
Greenville, NC 329-8050
The Courtyard Tavern
Greenville, NC 321-0202
Deadwood
Greenville, NC 792-8938
The Elbo
Greenville, NC 758-4591
Hard Times
Greenville, NC 758-9922
On-Campus Activities
328-6004
Pantana Bob's
Greenville, NC 757-3778
Peasant's Cafe
Greenville, NC 752-5855
Sports Pad/Splash
Greenville, NC 757-3658
Son II Studio
Greenville, NC 830-5279
Southern Nites Nightclub
946-5785
Texas 2 Step
Greenville, NC 752-3600
Underwater Cafe
Greenville, NC 754-2207
Wrong Way Corrigan's
Greenville, NC 758-3114

Band Preview



Cat's Cradle

Saturday April 10

The Nashville Bluegrass Band

"Don't forget your roots" is a popular saying these days. If you are a firm believer in this doctrine, and you like country music, you should take a liking to bluegrass. The Nashville Bluegrass band has been stomping out fine bluegrass since 1984 and they are still going strong. Their upbeat music displays an immense musical talent and lyrical genius.

What to Expect: A group of older men with guitars, banjos, mandolins, fiddles, etc. dressed to the hilt in their Sunday suits singing praises and songs about getting away with murder in the typical bluegrass murder ballad.



Peasant's Cafe

Tuesday April 13

Homonucleus

Tired of the same ol' same' ol'? In the mood for an Irish reel? Homonucleus returns to Peasant's Cafe with their arsenal of Irish folk ditties. The musicians display a multitude of skills by playing mandolins, fiddles, pennywhistles, flutes, and the occasional washboard.

What to Expect: One critic describes Homonucleus as: "A mixture of slightly skewed original songs and rockin' arrangements of jigs, reels, and other melodies from the British Isles and beyond. A daffier Fairport Convention."

WZMB weekly top hits

Top 15 Songs

15. Collective Soul
"Run"

14. Loudmouth
"Fly"

13. Gigolo Aunts
"The Big Lie"

12. Harvey Danger
"Save it For Later"

11. Poster Children
"Accident Waiting to Happen"

10. Imperial Teen
"Lipstick"

9. Michael
"Gravity's Pilot"

8. Trinket
"Unbehaved"

7. Boo Radleys
"High as Monkeys"

6. MxPx
"Never Learn"

5. Sebadoh
"Flame"

4. Jimmy Eat World
"Lucky Denver Mint"

3. Big Rude Jake
"Buster Boy"

2. Sparklehorse
"Sick of Goodbyes"

1. Built to Spill
"You Were Right"



Carmike 12

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| 8MM | R |
| Analyze This | R |
| Baby Geniuses | PG |
| 10 Things I Hate About You | R |
| Doug's First Movie | G |
| EdTV | PG-13 |
| Forces of Nature | PG-13 |
| Never Been Kissed | PG-13 |
| The Out of Towners | PG-13 |
| The Matrix | R |
| The Mod Squad | R |
| The Rage: Carrie 2 | R |
| True Crime | R |
| Wing Commander | PG-13 |

Located at
1685 East Fire Tower Rd.
Greenville, NC
Telephone: 353-4988

Carolina East 4

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| Life Is Beautiful | PG-13 |
| The Corrupter | R |
| The King and I | G |
| Shakespeare In Love | R |

Located at
Carolina East Convenience Center
Memorial Drive
Greenville, NC
Telephone: (252) 756-1449

Buccaneer

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| A Bug's Life | G |
| The Prince Of Egypt | PG |
| You've Got Mail | PG |

Located at
Greenville Square Shopping Center
275 Arlington Blvd.
Greenville, NC
Telephone: (252) 756-3307

American ODDITIES

Coyote caught in Central Park

NEW YORK (AP) What sounded like a April Fool's hoax was no joke: A coyote was felled by a tranquilizer dart after roaming Central Park for two days.

Henry Stern, the parks commissioner known for goofy publicity stunts, had to persuade skeptics that the animal sighting was real.

That became evident shortly before noon Thursday, when after a frantic flight through part of the 2.5-mile long park, the frightened coyote got itself trapped inside the fenced-in Hallett bird sanctuary, just steps from busy Fifth Avenue.

After a half-hour pursuit, Officer Steve Collins zapped the animal with a dart from about 10 feet away. Still not done, the quicksilver quadruped escaped by swimming across a pond, passed skaters at Wollman rink, and raced eight blocks north before collapsing in a grassy area. "think he was suprised to see everybody. He's not used to people," Collins said.

Parks spokesman Edward Skyler said the coyote was healthy except for the dart. He said it was sent to the Bronx Zoo, where it would rest before being examined today. It will then be returned to the wild or placed in a zoo, Skyler said. Its sex and weight were not immediately known.

Kyle Burkhart, a spokesman for the Center for Animal Care and Control, said the coyote posed no threat to humans but might have attacked a dog

or cat. Some passersby were blasé about the coyote caper.

"Up in the country we have coy-dogs (mixed breeds), but I know animals and I can't picture a coyote choosing Manhattan as its home base," said Ginny Schroder, who was walking two Labradors, an Irish setter, a golden retriever and border collie.

"It's not a big deal -- we see them all the time, crossing the road, in our backyard," said Peter Gordon, a school-teacher chaperoning a student group from Palm Springs, Calif.

Audubon magazine says some 400,000 coyotes are killed annually in the United States, mostly in the West where they are reviled as livestock killers. Increasingly, the hardy species has spread east.

Stern said coyotes have been seen in Westchester County, on Long Island and on a couple of occasions in the Bronx, but this was the first confirmed sighting in Central Park, which it could have reached only by crossing a bridge or traversing a rail tunnel.

Skyler said a parks employee had spotted a coyote two days earlier in Riverside Park, a mile or more to the north, but didn't report it until after the Central Park sighting.

Stern said there were signs the coyote found shelter under a rock ledge in the bird sanctuary, a stone's throw from Fifth Avenue's luxurious Hotel Pierre.

Young elk calls a herd family

OURAY, Colo. (AP) A young elk adopted by a group of Holstein cows after he was abandoned by his herd has quickly become the talk of the town. The confused yearling caught the attention of Ouray residents in October when other elk in his herd jumped a pasture fence, leaving him stranded with the cattle.

For weeks he lingered along U.S. 550, gazing eastward where the other elk had last been seen heading towards the mountains. But when Jeff Woolston began bringing in hay to feed his cattle, the scruffy brown elk decided to join the gang -- no matter they were plump, black-and-white Holsteins.

"For a while, he was all stressed out, but now he sticks right with the cows. He's one of the crowd," Woolston said. The young elk, named Isabulla by Ouray residents, now bounds up to the truck behind the cattle when Woolston pulls up with hay. He's started acting like one of the herd in other ways, as well, nuzzling, licking and frolicking with the cows, who have welcomed him in.

Now, everyone in Ouray is keeping an eye on the town's new celebrity. If Isabulla cannot be seen from the highway, the Woolstons' phone starts ringing with people who want to know where he is.

The parks boss, who likes to assign nicknames to everyone, said there were "several possibilities" for the coyote. "One is 'Lucky Pierre,' because of where he lived -- and he is very fortunate that he escaped injury," he said.

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changes seats and meets Beth Wexler (Hanks' future wife Rita Wilson) whom he takes a liking to. The problem is that she is there because she wants to be, whereas Laurence continually makes statements like, "Its not that I cant help these people...its just that I don't want to."

Their mission is to build a bridge to the other side of the river in a small waterfront village. What they don't know, however, is that the Thailand underground drug-ring is counting on the bridge to expand their business, as they plan to turn the small village into an airport. At any rate, Tom and Beth start to build the bridge, and Laurence teaches the natives to gamble. He meets a young native named At Toon, who learned English while in a Beijing school. As the bridge begins to look more and more like a bridge, Tom Tuttle is kidnapped and brain-washed by a underground rebel group determined to overthrow the government.

As the truth unfolds before the Peace Corps helpers, a love interest bubbles up between Beth and Laurence, as she begins to look past his cynical and sarcastic exterior. In the end, all of the conflicts (the drug ring, the underground rebel alliance, and the fact that the villagers weren't too crazy about the idea of a bridge in the first place) are resolved in a huge earth-rattling explosion. Its the little things, like saying I'm just going by height here, but are you are in charge here. Though this isn't one of Tom Hanks more memorable movies, I just can't help but love his world-weary and spoiled character. Rent it and see for yourself.

NWA continued from page 3

The latter title tune is included here, as well as the songs "Let Me Ride," "California Love" w/ 2PAC, "Keep Their Heads Ringin'" and more. A few years later, Dr. Dre moved on to make his own label called Aftermath. His first album on the label was a huge disappointment. His partnership with Snoop ended when Dre proclaimed "Gangsta Rap is dead." Next, let's talk about Ice Cube. His success, arguably, has been the greatest...or at least the longest-lasting. He's made many solo efforts, all of them great in their own right. He also started the group Da Lench Mob in 1992, and scored a huge radio hit with "Guerillas In Tha Mist." Since then, he's boosted the career of Mack 10 and made his own supergroup called the Westside Connection. Their songs on this disk include "It was a good day," "Steady Mobbin'," "Guerillas In Tha Mist," and more.

The history of Eazy-E ended very abruptly shortly after his label Ruthless Records was formed. He launched the careers of Bone Thugs N' Harmony, Flesh N' Bone, and Mo Thugs. Then, on March 20th, 1995, Eazy-E (Eric Wright) died of AIDS. This sent a shockwave of

mourning, and in some cases cheer, through the rap culture. His songs included are "We Want Eazy," and "Boyz-N-Tha-Hood."

MC Ren and Yella are less noteworthy, though MC Ren had success with his solo album Kizz My Black Azz. His song on the disc is "Final Frontier."

NWA has a few songs included here, just so you remember what everything spawned from. They are "Straight Outta Compton," the very controversial "**** Tha Police," "Always Into Somethin'," and a megamix featuring some of their most famous songs. The set also has songs from The D.O.C., Daz Dillinger, and Above the Law.

NWA influenced a multitude of artists, and I'd be willing to bet that one of them is Master P. The fact that Snoop Doggy Dogg (now just "Snoop Dogg") has signed with his No Limit record label further influences that theory. But the crazy thing is, I doubt that he will be the last one to dip from the NWA well. Their demise was not unlike that of Kurt Cobain (I'll be killed for saying this) in that they were the ones that shaped the music around them...and this disc is a welcome monument to a group that was right on time.

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with Barnes and Noble
to bring book reviews to
Wednesday's Fountainhead
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Reviews for Ronald

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If you would like to write a review please call Micah at 328-6366

horoscopes

ARIES: (March 21 - April 20)

Keeping secrets won't get you far this week. Your information could make or break a situation, so don't withhold what you know. There is a career move for you in the very near future, but it will be quite a large step to take, so embark with caution and optimism.

TAURUS: (April 21 - May 21)

You have a chance to create a solid foundation for future security. Be careful to avoid getting caught up in getting ahead at the expense of your peace of mind or creating havoc within your family. Don't jump to conclusions with romance, take it a step at a time.

GEMINI: (May 22 - June 21)

Make sure to not commit yourself to something that may stifle and hold you back. Don't stall in your decisions, just say you are not ready and leave it at that. There seems to be some tension between you and your mate, when you kiss and make up, talk honestly.

CANCER: (June 22 - July 23)

You seem to have a restless sort of irritability, which may just get you into trouble. It's important to keep your anger in check or you may find yourself cutting off those who are most important to you. Your current romantic partner may surprise you with lots of attention.

LEO: (July 24 - August 23)

You are doing a great job making finances stretch to their limit, but enough is enough, and something has got to go. If you have the authori-

ty to make the cut, go for it. Changes at work may have you feeling like you have been overlooked, but that is far from true.

VIRGO: (August 24 - September 23)

A recent investment may prove much more lucrative than you ever expected, but getting out early may not be such a bad idea. Be sure to take care of all the details though, however insignificant they may be. If you are feeling unmotivated, find a way to psyche yourself up.

LIBRA: (September 24 - October 23)

Juggle your funds to the best of your abilities, you might consider consolidating your debts so you have only one payment to deal with. Any home repairs now will probably be quite costly. Emphasize what you have in your life that brings you enjoyment and satisfaction.

SCORPIO: (October 24 - November 22)

Your intuitive hunches are right on, so don't justify them away. Emotions which have been held in check for some time need to be unleashed now. Allow yourself to express what you feel inside, striving to maintain a sense of proportion - things aren't so bad.

SAGITTARIUS: (November 23 - December 21)

Any risks concerning money this week will be well worth the effort. Is there someone trying to hold you back under the false impression that it is for your own good? It's time to make those decisions on your own. If you are being manipulated by another, it's time to go it alone.

CAPRICORN: (December 22 - January 20)

This week your passions may get the best of you and anger your mate. If you are, at the very least, aware of this possibility, it can probably forestall any unpleasantness. If stress has gotten you down, take time for a rather childlike activity, helping you to relax.

AQUARIUS: (January 21 - February 19)

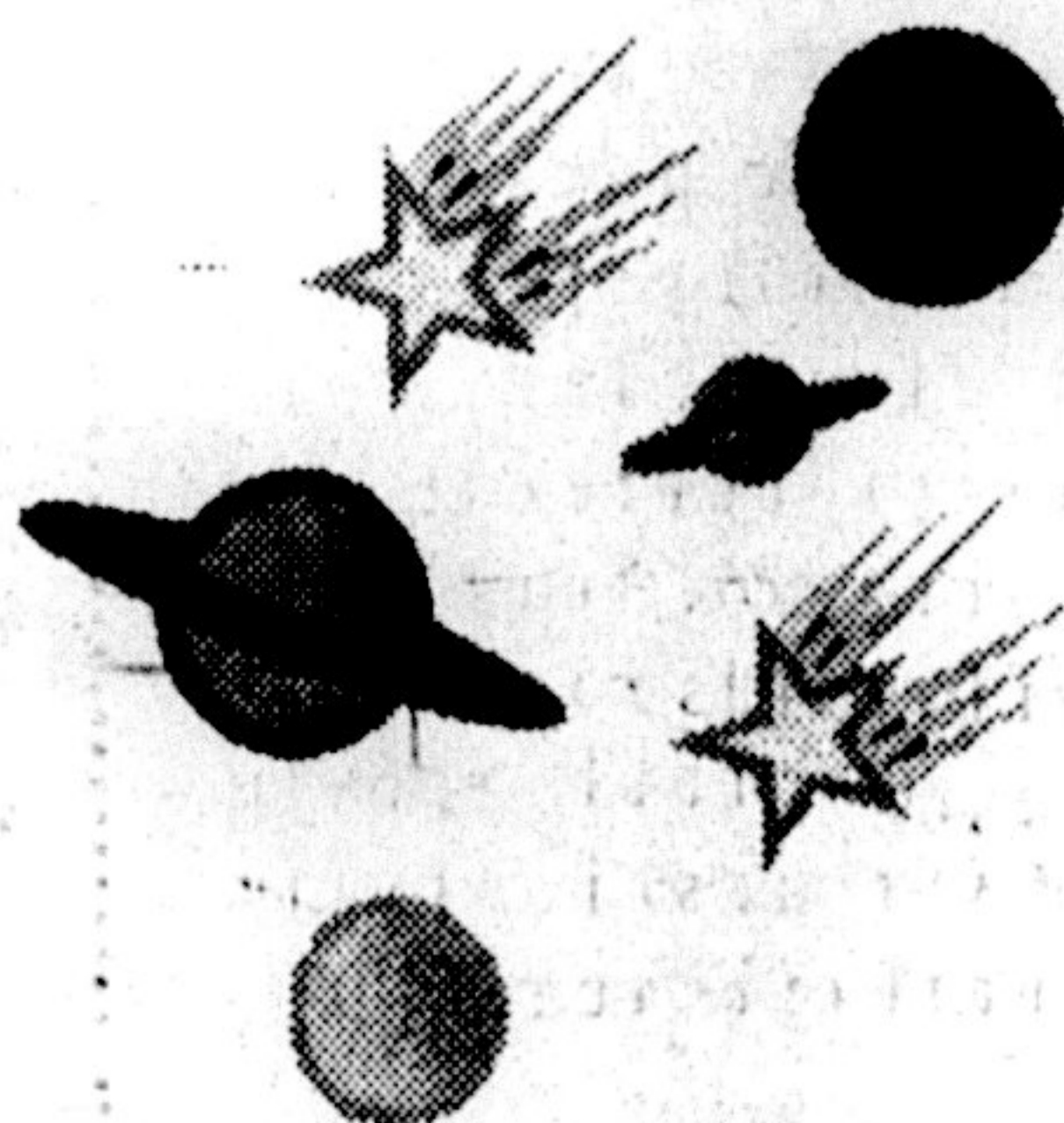
Rethink the reasons for your motivation in the workplace - you may need some alterations to previous plans. Listen to your inner voice for suggestions. Do the right thing when watching out for others, especially family members. What is it you really want out of life, and how are you going to get it?

PISCES: (February 20 - March 20)

Someone needs to smooth out the rough patches created by an argument, and you are best suited for the job. Following the rules may make you seem cold-hearted, so have a little compassion for those around you. Don't keep any secrets if the information can be well used.

IF THIS WEEK IS YOUR BIRTHDAY:

It's a good time to discuss any emotional issues with a significant other. Clear the air of any obstacles, and you may be quite surprised at how easily the conversation flows. Now that the lines of communication are open, make every effort to keep them this way.



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the show, right?) Dressed in their red Mork outfits, they blasted right through their new album, jamming out hits like "718" and the uber-motivational "Champion." But for all their hits and energy, it was actually an old ballad that made the crowd stop beating each other to death and stand in amazement: they broke out the old Bon Jovi hit, "Wanted Dear or Alive" before an absolutely stunned crowd. It was downright amusing to see all those drunken baboons trying so desperately to sing along with the song without spilling the remainder of their Bud Lights and burning the people next to them with their cigarettes. In all, they put on one hell of a performance and are worthy of your cash

the next time they grace us with their presence.

Now back to those bastards, the Kottonmouth Kings. All I asked for was a quick little interview with the band so I could find out a little more about them so maybe I could scam a free CD and review it for you guys right here in The Fountainhead. They were complete asses about the interview and towards any member of the male gender they were the same. They came off to me as cocky bastards who didn't think their poop stinks. On that note, I say screw Kottonmouth. But to all the Skinnee's out there, you guys are truly unique. Oh, and thank you to Stumpy of the Skinnees for making sure my friend had a sober ride after the show. That was really decent of you.

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Freshman quarterback Garrard to rough up season

David Garrard

By David Garrard

David Garrard, a freshman quarterback, is expected to play his first game in the first round of the playoffs.

The 6'2" Garrard has played beyond his years, posting 200+ yards in his first game.

His first game was against the 1990 team, and he led them to a 28-14 victory.

Garrard is expected to lead the team to a 10-2 record this season.

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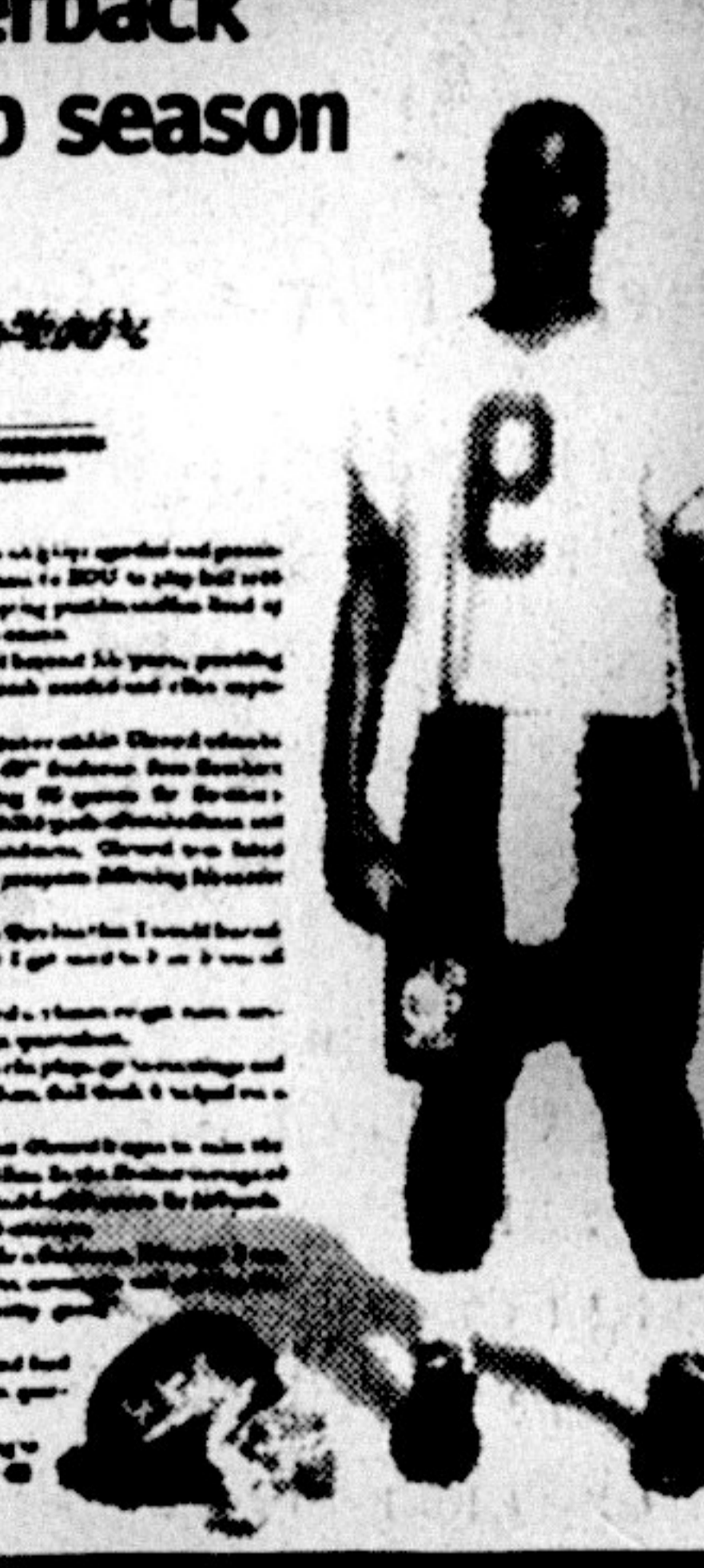
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