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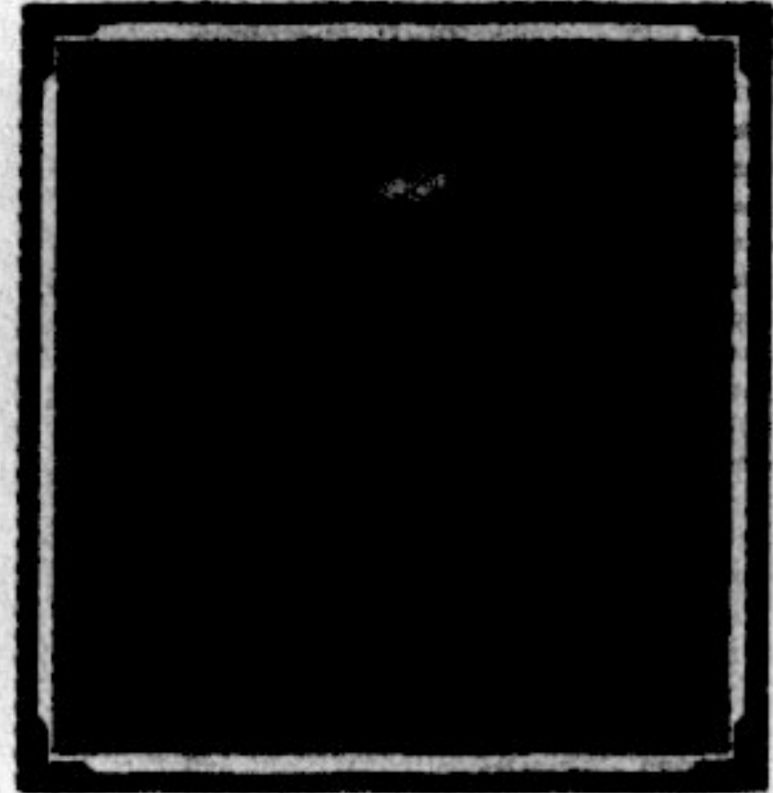
A reception for the "Billingsley 3" exhibition at the Mendenhall Student Center Gallery will be held from 6 p.m.-8 p.m. The public is invited.

ECU and West Virginia begin their 1999 football seasons this Saturday with a game at Charlotte's Ericsson Stadium. The kickoff is set for 3 p.m.



It was announced this week that ECU was among 29 campuses funded for US Department of Education "Learning Anywhere, Anytime" partnerships. The funding will support the School of Industry and Technology's On-line Wireless Learning Internet Solutions (OWLS) project.

OWLS is a \$4.6 million project aimed at development of innovative strategies and technologies to support distance education. Ericsson Wireless Internet Solutions, based in the Research Triangle Park, is providing major funding and technology support for the project. The Department of Education grant will provide \$924,437 over the next three years.



Researchers at the ECU School of Medicine have discovered differences in how chronic and acute alcohol consumption affect the sexes. In the studies, funded by the National Institutes of Health, Dr. Abdel A. Abdel-Rahman, ECU professor of pharmacology, found that in female lab rats, estrogen buffers the negative impact alcohol has on the cardiovascular system. Abdel-Rahman and ECU physiology professor Robert Lust, who assisted in the research, have more details about what their research could mean for women, especially those considering hormone replacement therapy.



DURHAM - Criticized by feminists in years past for her unrealistic anatomy, Barbie's body parts are just right for a Duke University Medical Center worker who makes prosthetics for amputees.

Jane Bahor uses plastic knee joints in Barbie's legs for knuckles in prosthetic fingers. She got the idea three years ago after working with a patient who also was an engineering student at N.C. State University.

Mattel, the company which makes the popular fashion doll, was so intrigued by the idea, that it sent Bahor a free bag of joints.

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Hurricane Dennis puts campus, students on alert

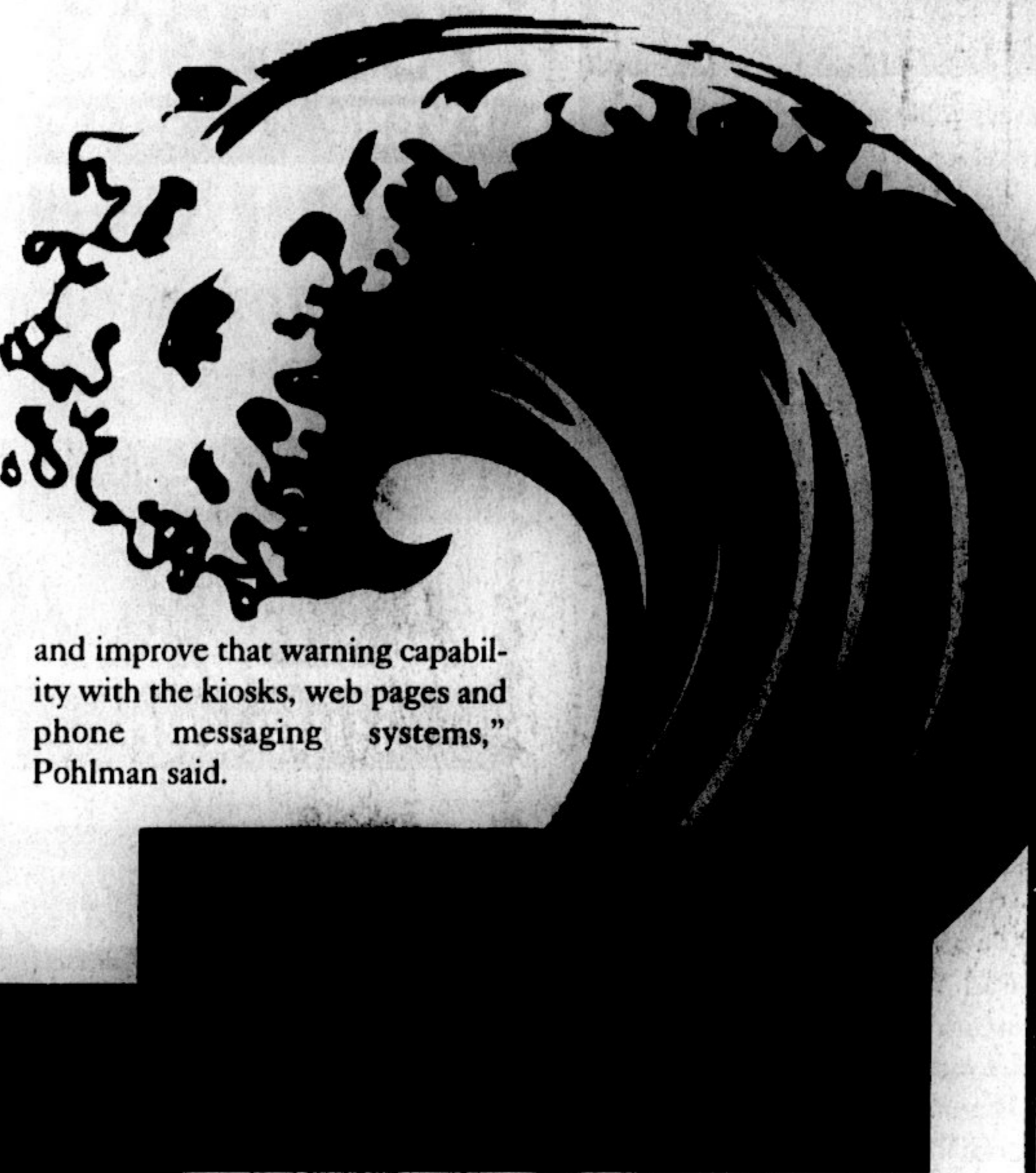
Information spread rapidly over Internet

CORY SHEELER
NEWS EDITOR

As hurricane Dennis bears down on the east coast, ECU is preparing to warn students of any changes in the university's schedule.

ECU's Environmental Health and Safety office cooperates with other campus departments to constantly update emergency action plans based on previous disaster events.

"In each event we go back and



Hurricane Dennis moves in on the East Coast.

PHOTO COURTESY WORLD WIDE WEB

The alert e-mail advised students to call the Campus Emergency Hotline for recorded statements about delays or cancellations. The hotline can be reached at 328-0062 and allows up to 72 callers concurrently.

Also, voice-mail messages are distributed to all campus phones when the EHS office feels it is

necessary.

"It is still up to the individual to heed the warnings and precautions and do their own personal planning," Pohlman said. "We can only go so far, from then on, people have to take responsibility for themselves."

According to National Hurricane Center statistics, September is the most dangerous month for hurricanes with 25 storms hitting the Carolinas from 1900-1996.

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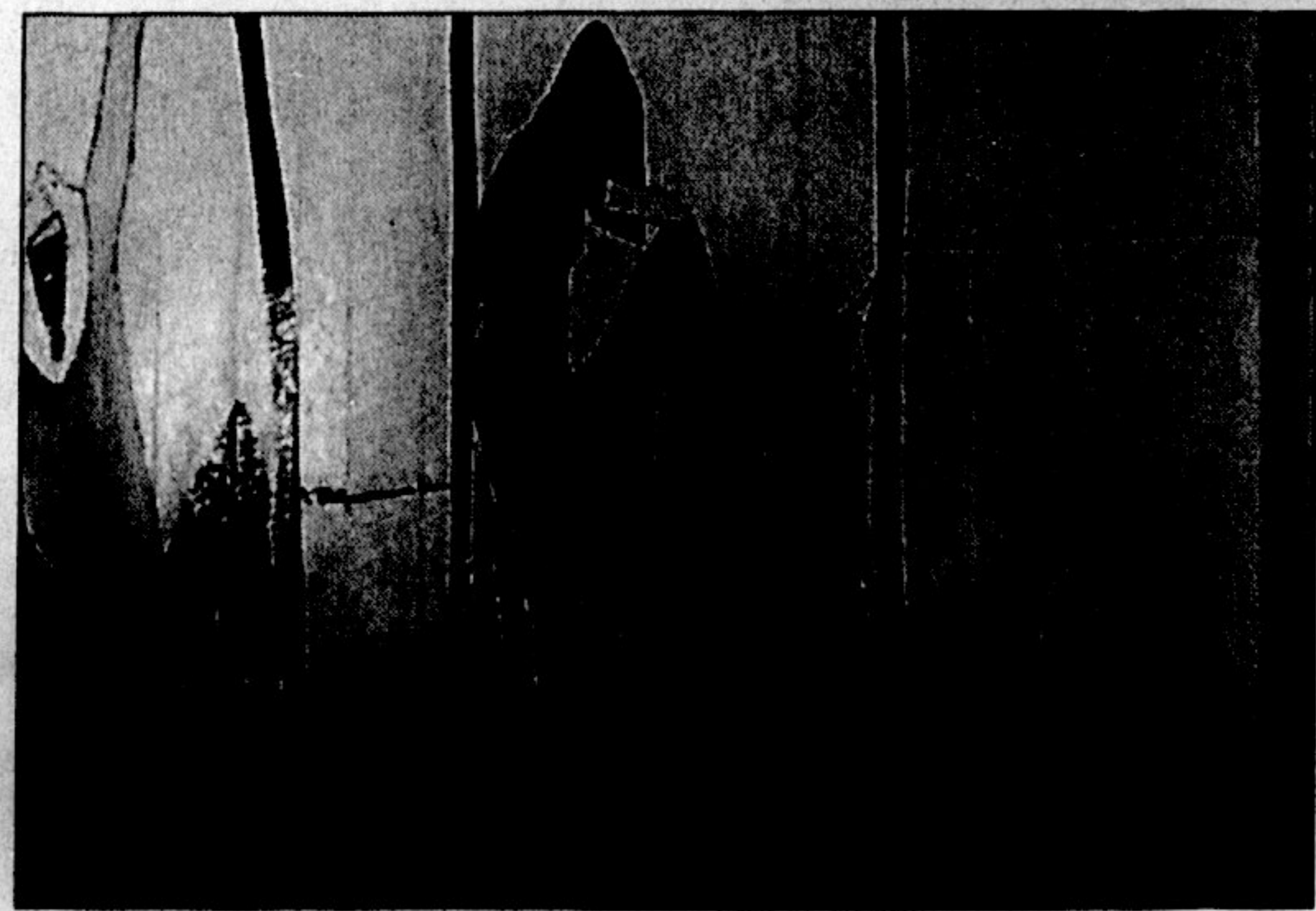
reassess what we did," said Tom Pohlman, environmental manager of ECU Environmental Health and Safety. "What we could have done better and what might have helped to try and implement those changes."

Before Dennis started causing weather problems on Monday, an alert system e-mail was sent out to all students through the university e-mail accounts.

The e-mail warned students to close all windows, lower all blinds and not leave cars parked near trees.

The alert also gave students an alternate means of keeping up with any delay or cancellations the university might incur.

"We've done an awful lot to try



Freshly painted murals are the newest additions to the Pirate Underground.

PHOTO BY CORY SHEELER

Hunt appoints new BOT member

Talton takes place on board

ASHLEY ROBERTS
STAFF WRITER

Governor Jim Hunt recently appointed Jim Talton to ECU's Board of Trustees.

Talton, a member of the Foundation Board of Directors and the University Scholars Campaign Executive Committee, currently holds many influential positions at ECU.

"I am very excited to be working with ECU's Board of Trustees," Talton said. "I hope I will be able to assist ECU to progress to the next level."

Hunt appoints only four of the 12 board members, while the Board of Governors appoints the other eight.

Hunt appointed Talton to replace former BOT member, Walter Williams.

Williams resigned from the BOT on April 20, after he made an objectionable racial comment during a Pirate Club banquet in Wilmington, NC.

"Jim Hunt's involvement in ECU's Board of Trustees is minimal," said Dr. James Smith, executive assistant to the Chancellor and associate secretary to the BOT.

"The function of the Board of Trustees is to help chart the future and set a course of where we want to go as a university," said Layton Getsinger, associate vice chancellor of Administration and Finance.

"I am very pleased about the learning process of the board. I have not had a great amount of exposure, as of yet, since we have not had our first meeting," said Michael Kelly, who is also new to the BOT.

"I have been given a good overview by the board about what goes on at ECU. The board is a group that varies in age and experience. I am looking forward very much to serving my four year term," Kelly said.

"I deal mainly with student affairs," said Betty Speir, the only female currently serving on the BOT. "I have thoroughly enjoyed working with the board. I am very excited about working with the new members of the board and the many new plans we have in store for ECU. I am delighted to hear about our new plans of expansion for the university and our plans to obtain more graduate students."

The BOT meets five times a year in Mendenhall Student Center. They discuss such topics as building construction and renovations, athletic programs and questions about academic programs. Members also consult with

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Financial Aid offers loans for computers

Students able to borrow more money for purchase

ANGELA HARNE
STAFF WRITER

Student Financial Aid will increase student loans by \$1700 to help students purchase a computer.

"As a university, we priced computer systems with basic software, monitors and color printers on the web," said Rose Mary Stelma, director of Student Financial Aid. "We priced systems at Staples, Office Depot and other regular businesses, and came up with the amount of the loan."

"The loan basically works the way purchasing books does—once you buy it, it's yours," Stelma said. "If a student says 'I want a computer,' we give them an application

Students can borrow money for new computers. PHOTO COURTESY WORLD WIDE WEB

and the process begins."

Students must apply for the increase in financial aid. Student Financial Aid then adds \$1700 to the cost of tuition (room, board and books), as long as no problems occur during the application process.

"We trust that the money will be used toward a computer system. It is a one chance deal. If a student borrows the money as a freshman, and comes back as a sophomore, no

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Pirate Underground gets new look

Students have mixed feelings about artwork

CAROLYN HEROLD
STAFF WRITER

The Pirate Underground in Mendenhall Student Center has a new look.

The once white-washed walls are now covered by a richly detailed mural. The artwork was done by

Kymia Nawabi, a second semester freshman art major. Her concentration is on drawing and painting. She was selected to do the mural by the Popular Entertainment Committee through an ad in *The East Carolinian*. She brought in many samples, and a few made it onto the walls. The largest frame of the mural is a copy of a sketch she completed her senior year in high school.

The windows painted onto the walls feature some of the characters that occur frequently in her artwork. Her overall theme for the

mural was multi-cultural expression.

Nawabi was paid \$500 for her work, and all of her supplies were paid for.

She started the mural two weeks after Spring Break, and finished three weeks into the summer.

This project was 100 percent student developed and run.

"The whole concept of what we did down there and what we will continue to do, is make a student-focused programming area (Pirate

SEE UNDERGROUND PAGE 2

Scientists benefit from unique machine

Physicists use accelerator to study past

COURTNEY MARTIN
STAFF WRITER

The physics department is using a tandem Van De Graaf accelerator to identify artifacts from Blackbeard's ship, the *Queen Anne's Revenge*.

When the State Department of Cultural Resources needed to examine 50 artifacts from what scientists believe to be the *Queen Anne's Revenge*, they called the ECU department of physics. The department's accelerator happens to be the only one of its kind in the state.

A piece of copper from beneath the barrel of a cannon from the ship was the first artifact to be tested.

While the physicists cannot prove that the artifact is from Blackbeard's ship, which sank in



Dr. Larry Toburen explains the logistics of the accelerator.

PHOTO COURTESY ECU NEWS BUREAU

1718, the accelerator did allow them to learn what went into the making of the metal itself.

The process works in multiple steps. First, the artifact is placed in a vacuum container. It is then blasted with a beam of accelerated pro-

tons which cause the atoms in the various elements of the metal to fly off in a scattering of x-rays. These x-rays then help scientists to determine which elements are present.

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No more painful healing

NC State—Soon we may not have to suffer the excruciating pain that comes with peeling off a bandage. NC State scientists have developed a new wound dressing that can improve the healing process with inner layers that actually biode-

rate and protects the wound from bacteria and other infections.

Some members of the research team presented their discoveries at the 218th American Chemical Society's national meeting Monday in New Orleans. Researchers include former master's student Allison London Brown and professors Bhupender Gupta, Sam Hudson and Alan Tonelli.

According to Hudson, a NCSU textile professor who has done research on the topic for more than 12 years, the innermost layers of the bandage are metabolized by the body. These layers are composed of chitosen, which is a natural fiber extracted from shellfish and refined. The anti-fungal compound

is commonly used in medical fields.

The new dressing incorporates layers of chitosen and synthetic polymers under a gauze layer. The degradation of chitosen is beneficial to the growth of skin cells.

The chitosen film protects the wound from bacteria but allows moisture to pass through, according to Gupta, NCSU textile professor.

Regular bandages are made of cotton fibers, which do not break down and therefore cannot assist in the formation of new tissue. In the new dressing, only the outermost layer need be removed and discarded, as the inner layers biodegrade and become part of the healed skin.

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Underground

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Underground],” said J. Marshall, assistant director of Student Activities.

The mural adds a personal flare to the billiard room.

“If they [bands that come to play here, and those that come to listen] have to be inside, we should spice it up—A club atmosphere. Something appealing that would draw you in,” said Patrick Edwards, Popular Entertainment Committee head. “She did a great job.”

The mural has received mixed reviews from students.

“When it first started, it looked okay, but now there is just too much in here,” said Mick Smith, junior. “It looks good, but just clutters up the walls.”

“I think it's pretty good. A little dark, but nice, kinda depressing,” said Ashley Avery, junior. “Perfect for when you are playing pool, and your friend is losing.”

Nawabi loves her artwork.

“Art is my life,” said Nawabi. She uses painting as therapeutic means, a direct link from her emotions to the paper.

“I may not have entered the contest at all if it weren't for my friend,” said Nawabi. “She showed me the contest.”

Nawabi had only been attending ECU for only a few weeks before entering the contest.

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Hunt

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Chancellor Eakin about any suggestions any of them may have towards the improvement of ECU.

The newest members of the BOT include Mr. Thomas A. Bayliss, Mr. Michael Kelly, Mr. Stephen D. Showfety, Mr. James R. Talton and Mr. Clifford W. Webster, Jr.

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crime scene

August 25

- 5:22 p.m. — *Larveny* — A student reported that an unknown person took his bike from the rack east of GCB.
- 9:22 p.m. — *Auto Collision* — Two students were involved in an auto collision at Chamberlain Pigford Court, east of White Hall. No injuries were sustained.
- 9:55 p.m. — *Harassing Phone Calls* — A student reported that she and her roommate had received several harassing phone calls from a male making sexual references.

August 26

- 2:15 a.m. — *Driving While Intoxicated, Failure to Surrender License & Possession of Fictitious License* — A non-student was arrested for DWI, failure to surrender license and possession of a fictitious license.
- 12:30 p.m. — *Auto Accident* — A student and a staff member were involved in an auto accident. No injuries were sustained.
- 8:15 p.m. — *Possession of Weapon; Possession of Drug Paraphernalia* — A student was issued a state citation and a campus appearance ticket for possessing a weapon (butterfly knife) on campus. He was also cited for possession of marijuana.
- 8:18 p.m. — *Breaking & Entering and Larveny from a Motor Vehicle* — A student reported that unknown subject(s) entered her vehicle and took various items.

August 27

- 2:12 a.m. — *Driving While Intoxicated & Failure to Stop for Red Light* — A non-student was arrested for DWI after an officer observed her fail to stop for a red light.
- 2:25 a.m. — *DWI, Provisional License & Failure to Use Headlights* — A non-student was arrested for DWI and provisional licensee after an officer observed him driving on 3rd St. without headlights.
- 2:49 a.m. — *Intoxicated Subject* — A student was issued a CAT for using alcoholic beverages, violating ECU policy & vomiting in a motor vehicle. Subject was released to roommate.

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Advances in HIV treatment

PITTSBURGH (AP)—Only a handful of medical centers around the world are willing to transplant organs in HIV-positive patients a controversial procedure both in terms of medical success and societal acceptance.

But surgeons at an international liver transplantation conference Friday said much of that could change as aggressive new therapies like the so-called AIDS "cocktail" allow people infected with HIV to live longer.

"As far as I'm concerned, they're all patients," said transplant surgeon Dr. Nigel Heaton of King's College Hospital in London, where four HIV patients have been given transplants. "I don't believe in social reasons for exclusion."

What he does want is data-hard numbers that will prove or disprove the

theory that transplants can help people infected with HIV.

Key to HIV transplants is finding patients who are healthy enough to qualify and are willing to take care of their new organs once they get them.

Another key is controlling hepatitis C, which is often found in HIV patients and invariably reinfects the new liver once it has been transplanted.

At this point, there is very little data on transplantation for patients infected with HIV, the virus which causes AIDS, and no papers have been published, experts said. Only recently have a select few surgeons performed the procedure knowingly, although there is some historical data from before patients were checked for HIV infections.

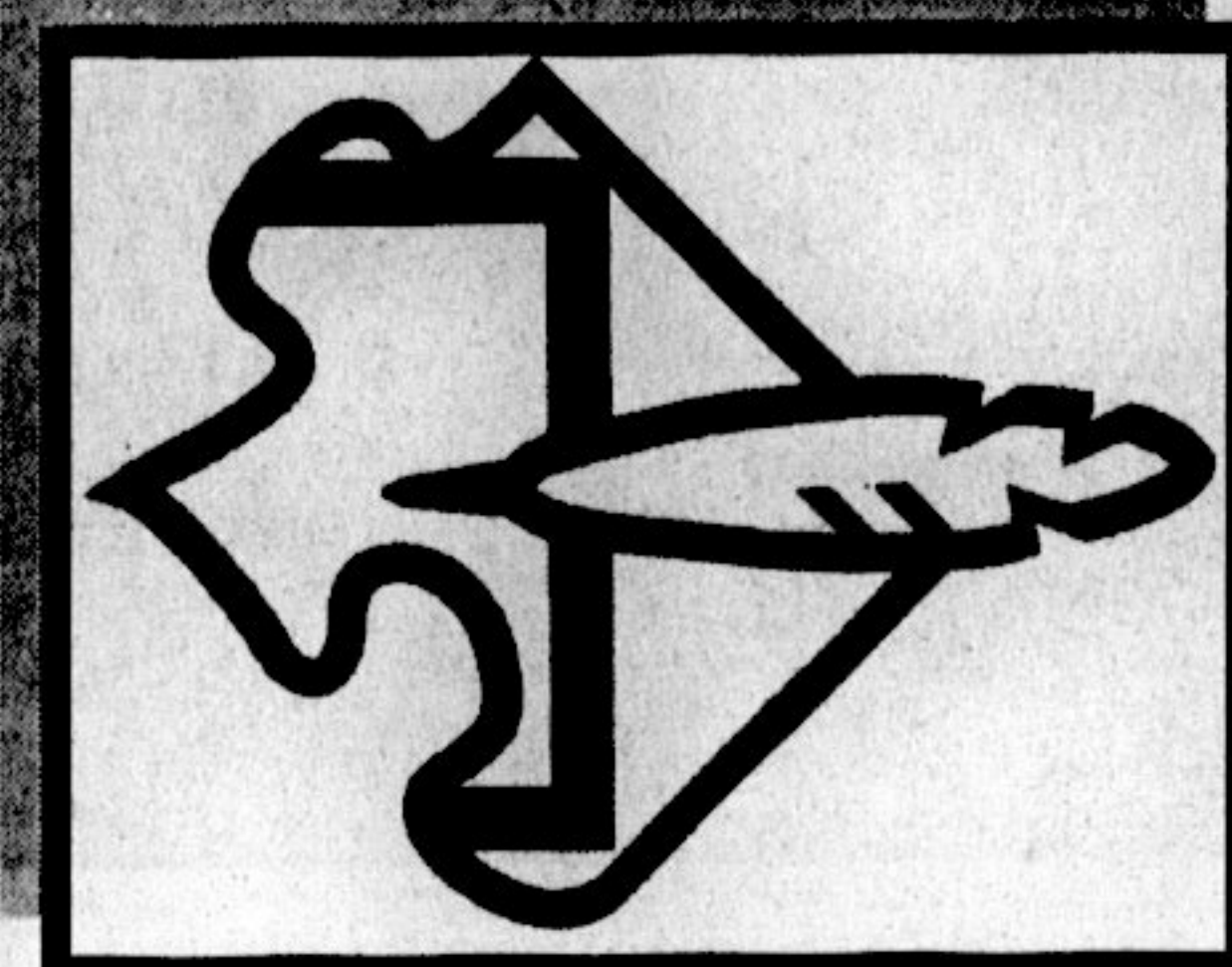
"People think we're crazy for doing

it," said Dr. John Fung, head of the University of Pittsburgh Medical Center's transplant center.

But early indications show that liver transplantation is effective in reversing the complications of end-stage organ failure in some HIV-positive patients, Fung said.

He presented findings at the conference on four HIV patients who underwent the procedure between September 1997 and March 1999.

In all the cases, the liver transplants reversed the distinguishing characteristics of chronic liver failure, including fluid retention, muscle wasting, fatigue and jaundice. HIV traces remained undetectable with patients who continued the drug combination with protease inhibitor and none developed opportunistic infections, Fung said.



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ECU physicists have noticed that the shipwreck artifact contained a high amount of arsenic, while the Native American copper tested at the lab contains no arsenic.

Dr. Larry Toburen, director of the Physics Accelerator Laboratory, said that while the machine has not been able to positively identify the ship as Blackbeard's, the information might be useful to historians who have researched the making of metal in Europe and other places.

The tandem accelerator is used for more than tracing pirates, though.

It is also used by many other people in the University. A geology graduate student used the machine to look at mineral samples. The School of Medicine uses it to examine the trace elements in the blood of cancer patients. Biologists study the elements in fish bones and archaeologists continue to look at copper and pottery shards from prehistoric Native American sites.

"We still use it to do basic physics research," said Toburen. "But over the last three years we have begun to develop the analytic type of studies that contribute to the research in a number of other departments."

"And besides," Toburen said, "from my point of view, it is interesting to find ways to apply physics to other disciplines."

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Bandage

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The dressing protects the wound from infection and prevents further injury. If the bandage is removed often, as most are, the fibers become embedded in the wound.

Another advantage of this biodegradable wound dressing is that the film is clear, which allows the wound to be observed without having to remove the bandage, according to Hudson. The dressing can reduce pain and lessen scarring.

Computers

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money will be given," Stelma said. "Most often students have borrowed all the aid possible. If this occurs, a student may apply for an alternative loan through Citibank. There are drawbacks, higher interest rates and required co-signers, but it's possible."

Last year a committee met to consider whether or not students should be required to have their own personal computer.

They decided to delay the decision and allow students to buy, rent or lease a computer system of their choice with the \$1700 loan.

This computer, bought on borrowed money, would put an undergraduate through four years of college.

"It is a one-time thing, unless you borrow the money as a freshman, complete college, take some years off and come back for graduate school; then a student may apply again. We understand that an old computer would have to be updated," Stelma said. Students agreed that such a program would be beneficial to them.

"I think it's a good idea because some kids don't have money to get a new computer and it would help a lot," said Keoshia Butler, freshman.

"It's cool, and I would do it if I were in a financial burden," said Jessica Holland.

Students interested may get applications from the Student Financial Aid office located by the campus post office.

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Education secretary warns of Y2K effects on student aid

(U-WIRE) WASHINGTON—Education Secretary Richard Riley said many colleges and universities are not ready for the expected Year 2000 computer crisis and that student-aid delivery may be affected unless improvements are made.

Because older computer systems are programmed to only read two digits for the year, many computers will be set back to 1900 at the turn of the millennium. Experts are undecided whether this worldwide problem will have disastrous or minor effects on life in January.

The secretary said 40 percent of college respondents do not expect to have their mission-critical systems, computer systems which are necessary for student aid allocations, in place until October. He also said he was disappointed that only 32 percent of schools responded to the survey. Riley said a follow-up survey will be sent directly to the schools' chief officers.

Terry Hartle, senior vice president of the American Council on Education, said he believes the computer problem will not have as much of an impact as Riley fears.

He said the survey in which the education department released only used a very small sample and said the results may be flawed because the survey was distributed in the summer. But, he said the issue of fixing computers on college campuses is complex.

The Department of Education received high marks recently from a Congressional subcommittee reviewing the government's preparedness for the Y2K computer problem. According to Riley, because student aid programs rely on data partnerships with the colleges and universities it serves, it cannot be sure information flow will not be affected.

In fact, the Education Department's inspector general said colleges and universities were at "high risk" of being unprepared for delivery of student-aid information. Riley said only 22 of the more than 5,800 schools have tested their student-aid programs against the department's software.

The Department of Education

inquiries are warranted.

A clearly frustrated Reno, who had earlier assured Congress that only non-burning tear gas was used during the April 19, 1993, assault, ordered up a probe of her own.

Reno, who has been a favorite target of congressional Republicans over her handling of issues ranging from Whitewater and Democratic campaign fund-raising abuses to the appointment of independent counsels, will face the hot seat again. Burton said he will summon Reno to testify.

Senate Judiciary Committee Chairman Orrin Hatch, R-Utah, who pronounced the credibility of Attorney General Janet Reno's Justice Department at "an all-time low," is moving towards hearings as well. And House Judiciary Committee staffers are wading through testimony from the 10 days of nationally televised House hearings in 1995 to determine if new

hours before the wooden structure erupted in flames. The acknowledgment came on the heels of a newspaper report challenging the earlier statements.

FBI admits to improper tactics in Waco incident

WASHINGTON (AP)—Prompted by the latest furor over federal law enforcement's conduct during the final, fateful hours in the 1993 standoff with the Branch Davidians, Congress is scurrying to review years-old hearing records and organize a fresh round of inquiries.

Congressional ire was raised with the FBI's admission this week, after years of claims to the contrary, that a "very limited number" of incendiary tear gas grenades were lobbed near the Davidians' compound outside Waco, Texas, in the

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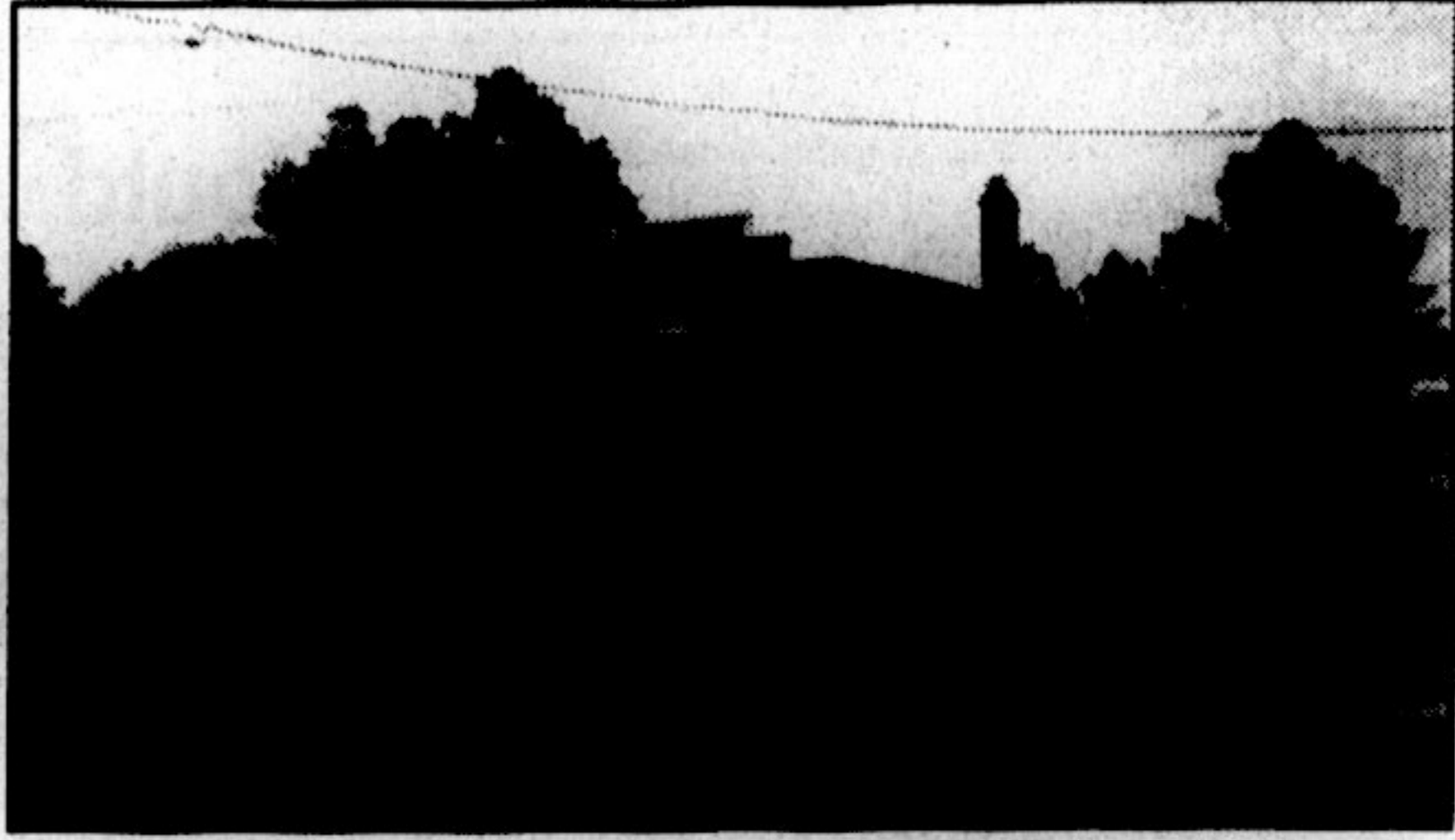
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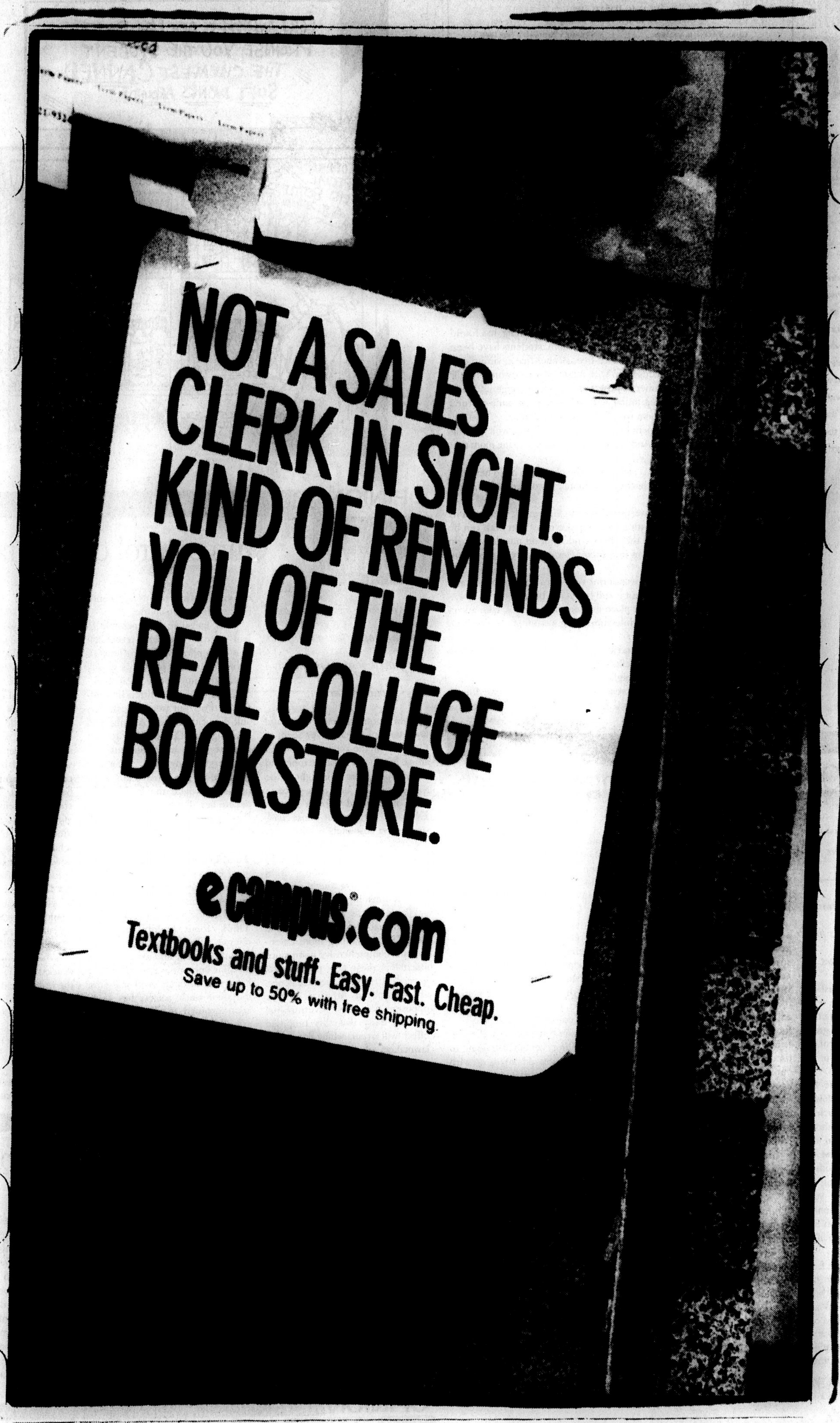
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our view

During the spring and summer semester, the Pirate Underground paid Kymia Nawabi \$500 to paint a mural with the theme of multi-cultural expression in the area of the room where the bands perform.

The new murals in the Pirate Underground area of Mendenhall are the subject of controversy, but we at TEC believe that ECU's students should be encouraged to display their talents as much as possible.

Since the Pirate Underground, now in its third year running, has found a permanent home in the Mendenhall billiards room, students have been able to see great bands for free in a smoke-free, alcohol-free environment. So why not spruce up the billiards room with home-grown artwork as well?

During the spring and summer semester, the Pirate Underground paid Kymia Nawabi \$500 to paint a mural with the theme of multi-cultural expression in the area of the room where the bands perform.

It's the best way to complement the student-run program, which usually draws an enthusiastic crowd. And, it adds an atmosphere to the room that most students can appreciate.

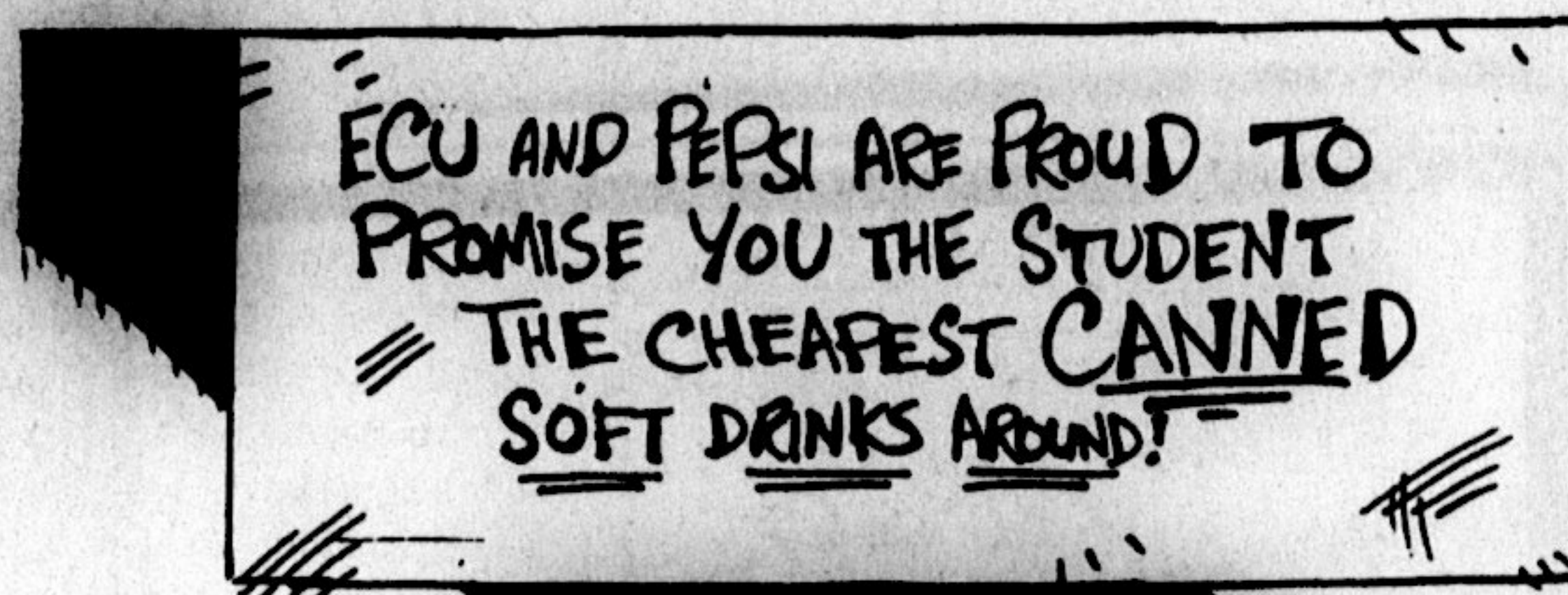
The project also gave an ECU art student the chance to build her portfolio, while detracting from the institutional monotony of the room's once-whitewashed walls.

Student artwork is a good investment for the University, and benefits both the artist and the patron with a quality piece of art that both can be proud of. Even if you don't like the Pirate Underground murals, you can appreciate the creativity that went into them. Besides, they're great conversation pieces.

The Pirate Underground is a wonderful venue for student bands and solo artists who want to perform, but it still has yet to break into the downtown scene. It is, however, a great place to meet new friends, take a load off and shoot some pool, all the while supporting a student-run organization.

Check out the Pirate Underground at least once this semester, if only to look at the new murals. Show your fellow students that you care about what they're doing for your school. You might like what you see.

The next Pirate Underground presentation will be the Mike Plume Band, Saturday, Sept. 11, at 10 p.m. Call Information at 328-4763 for details. Admission is free to students.



OPINION

MARVELLE SULLIVAN

Gun control debate rages on

Gun controls, restrictions and laws are topics that never seem to filter out of the media or political arena.

Gun controls, restrictions and laws are topics that never seem to filter out of the media or political arena. It is such a sensitive topic and is becoming more so in light of the recent tragedies that took place in the Colorado and Georgia schools. Everyone agrees that those incidents were absolutely horrible, and that the homicide and accidental gun death rates in the United States, compared among other countries that have tougher restrictions, is much higher.

Tragic deaths and higher rates are undeniable to both sides of the issue. Those wanting more extensive and comprehensive restrictions assert that these new policies will lower death tolls, and reduce general violence in America. Those opposing any new governmental controls deny that this proposed effect will occur, while reminding lawmakers of America's right to bear arms. To properly address the issue, three questions have to be answered in deciding an

approach—if any, to this never ending debate on gun control.

First question: Is it possible to ban or further restrict the possession or use of guns? The second amendment in the Bill of Rights clearly makes the provision to "bear arms." Yes, this right was written in a different time, but nonetheless, it is still explicitly there. Altering and bending the Constitution to suit interest groups and public outcry is a very dangerous practice. Restricting gun possession even further is where the bulk of the debate lies, though. This brings the issue to the second question.

If legal restrictions are enacted, is it really possible to change the societal view and handling of guns now? Even if strict gun control laws are made, there enforcement would prove to be near impossible which would almost have a reverse effect. Think about prohibition for a minute. Admittedly, countries like Canada and England, who basically prohibit gun possession, have very low crime incidents involving guns, but their whole society has never been exposed to the ability and atmosphere without those laws. Legislative bodies can make new laws, but they can't make people feel, think, believe and thus behave differently just by passing restrictive policies. Thinking that laws

alone will change behavior overnight is unrealistic.

Thirdly, would new laws really curb violence in the schools and on the streets, since these problems are the ones that fuel the gun issue's fire? If it were for some reason, possible for legal and societal changes to occur, this would neither stop psychotic little children from shooting guns in schools, nor would it stop gangs and drug dealers from shooting each other, as well as innocent bystanders. It is insane to believe that "normal" children commit violent acts just because guns exist. If that were the case, then there would be a multitude of school shootings, and this may be news to some, but drug dealers do not mind breaking the law. Thus, a law limiting or banning ownership of guns because of people who would break the law regardless is ridiculous, and would ultimately prove to be ineffective.

Whether or not gun control restrictions should be made masks the real point; those restrictions will not remedy the problem. It's too late. Despite the legal obstacles, society is already locked into a certain mode that laws can't realistically alter.

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OPINION

RYAN KENNEMUR

Chat rooms are strange addiction

AOL—motto: one flat rate for an all-night busy signal—is slowly killing us like a family of nuclear factory workers picnicking under power lines.

Addiction. Possibly the harshest word in the English language, with the exception of gritty. Addiction is running rampant over our great campus, whether it be alcohol, nicotine or the most heinous of all America Online!

AOL—motto: one flat rate for an all-night busy signal—is slowly killing us like a family of nuclear factory workers picnicking under power lines. I know what you are probably thinking. You're saying to yourself, "hmph! I can stop anytime I want to." You are lying to yourself. Like many others, you will use up that free trial month only to turn around and sign on for another free month by means of a different credit card.

Now don't be put off by the fact that I know about the conniving scheme that you have devised. Just answer me this: why bother? What do people see in AOL? I signed on for my free trial month once and the only thing I even remotely liked about it was the e-mail. Other

than that, I saw nothing of value.

Then, a friend of mine came to me and said, "Ryan, chatting is where it's at. You can meet so many interesting people, and they never have to know that you are a geek."

And so, I signed onto my account, my arms open to the good people of Coolville. I clicked on the space marked People Connection, and there I was in a chat room filled with interesting people.

Since this was my first chatting experience, I decided to just watch for a few minutes to get a feel for it. It occurred to me that each one of these people must have signed onto their accounts with hopes that it will soothe the massive head wound they are obviously suffering from. The only thing these people could say was "hey everybody" and "this room sux. C-ya!"

Figuring that I was in the Lobotomy Room, I decided to go into a specialty room. They were all full for the most part, so I sifted through and found a room called High Priests. I entered and was immediately involved in a heated argument over the Trinity. Tempers were flaring, then all of a sudden, a guy called Venom223 entered the room with the standard question, "Age/Sex?"

Most people ignored the guy, but one kind-hearted soul named SisMarie replied and said "24, F." Venom223 replied with, and I

quote, "Let's get it on!" SisMarie replied with "Sorry, I'm a nun." Venom223, not taking the hint, replied with "Hey SisMarie, let's go to a private room!"

As I have said before, this was my first time in a chat room. However, I do not need a cyber-dictionary to figure out what a private room is for. It's the Internet stud's Motel 6, which, in conjunction with the optional vibrating keyboard, I'm sure can provide for a highly erotic rendezvous.

SisMarie left the room at once, again foiling Venom223's plan to fulfill his dream of hooking up with a young and attractive nymphomaniac nun. It was then that I knew that chat rooms were not for me. I feel that they are silly and deceptive, not to mention highly unorganized. I have no clue as to why people would want to spend countless hours talking to these people, many of whom are probably not even the gender that they claim to be.

And so, I propose that all AOL users take one day out of their week to stay away from their computers. Go outside and play. Climb a tree. Do whatever you want, just don't go near AOL. While you are all outside, maybe I can finally get through to check my e-mail.

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OPINION

LETTER TO EDITOR

Sports teams deserve more credit

I just want to express my disappointment for the fact that the ECU baseball and softball teams were not awarded championship rings for winning their respective titles. These two teams displayed true athleticism this past season, and deserve much more than a ring.

According to the grapevine, neither team will be receiving a championship ring for their dedication, hard work and true Pirate aggres-

sion. Instead, each team will have to go on knowing that their own athletic department does not support them as much as they should. Whatever happened to giving credit where credit is due?

The baseball team was nationally ranked week after week, and after winning the Colonial Athletic Association conference tournament, traveled to Baton Rouge, as the number one seed. They then

defeated former national champion Louisiana State University in the NCAA regionals. The softball team did exactly the same by winning the Big South Tourney title and achieving automatic berth in the NCAA tournament.

I surely think that these Pirates need this unfortunately buried treasure—championship rings for a job well done!

Kimberly Sugg

OPINION

Vending machines leave student short changed

I have heard many complaints about the University's decision to restrict Pepsi. I do in fact like the better, but that isn't my point. The purpose of this letter is to see if something can be done about at least getting the satellite

vending machines stocked! By satellite, I mean those machines outside the Student Stores, which I have repeatedly inserted dollar bills into, just to find that my only selection to choose from is diet or water, and of course, there is no way to get

your money back once it goes in. This has become so much of a problem that I usually just walk to the student store to buy a drink out of fear that I will end up drinking diet, caffeine-free Orange Crush, or something, if I go to a machine!

OPINION

LETTER TO EDITOR

Sachs gives voice to minority opinion

I am a junior at ECU. I read your paper all the time, and I just wanted to comment on how pleased I am to see Chris Sach's article on organized religion.

It is nice to know that you don't have to be in the 'majority' to pub-

lish an article in your paper. I thoroughly enjoyed reading it. I never thought that a Southern university like this one would ever publish an article like this, and it is very pleasing to me that your paper let the minority state an opinion like this

one. All last year I wanted so badly to write and article like the one Chris wrote, but I never thought that in a million years it would be allowed in the paper. I am glad that I was wrong.

Melanie Alexander

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Celebrities speak out on opposite sex:

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-Mae West



"I like men to behave like men—strong and childish."

-Francoise Sagan

"My notion of a wife at 40 is that a man should be able to change her, like a bank note, to two 20s."

-Warren Beatty

"I dress for women and undress for men."

-Angie Dickinson

"I don't think it's in the nature of any man to be monogamous. Men are propelled by genetically ordained impulses over which they have no control to distribute their seed into as many females as possible."

-Marlon Brando



"I never hated a man enough to give him his diamonds back."

-Zsa Zsa Gabor

"I love the way men smell. I love the way they taste, their texture, the way they're built."

-Marilu Henner

"I love the male body; it's better designed than the male mind."

-Andrea Newman

"I require three things in a man: he must be handsome, ruthless and stupid."

-Dorothy Parker

"Feminism is just a way for ugly women to get into the mainstream of America."

-Rush Limbaugh



"Effeminate men intrigue me more than anything in the world. I see them as my alter egos. I feel very drawn to them. I think like a guy, but I'm feminine. So I relate to feminine men."

-Madonna

"I only speak Scottish to turn women on or to pick them up. That's so cheap, but it does work."

-John Barrowman

"God gave us a penis and a brain, but only enough blood to run one at a time."

-Robin Williams

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Stress overwhelms students

Healthy living reduces tension, daily pressures

MICHAEL EDWARDS
STAFF WRITER

Stress, that feeling that pressures people to get things done on time, also rushes students through their lives and experiences.

As students gradually settle down into the college groove, they begin noticing things about their minds and bodies that perhaps they haven't noticed before. There is an emptiness that is sometimes caused from the separation from one's parents, friends and familiar surroundings as well as an inner voice of discontent brought about by the unfamiliar locale, strange faces, new rules and regulations, and most of all schedules.

As students meet new friends and become acquainted with their new neighborhood, many of these uncomfortable feelings dissipate and they learn to relax. Before they know it, students actually begin to enjoy the new freedoms of being independent. From time to time, there will be feelings of the need to pull your hair out, yell at somebody, "pop a pill," or throw a roommate's stereo across the room because of stress.

There are many kinds of stress, such as that which occurs from a loss of a parent, friend or pet, but there is a particular type of stress found in the college atmosphere. This monster comes from all sides—brain drain, bad relationships, bills, dorm life, alcohol, cigarettes, illegal drugs, STDs, neighbors, poor diet, lack of

parking and roommates; the list is endless. For the most part, students manage to plow through these dilemmas with little difficulty. Occasionally, several of these stressors accumulate beyond control, and a person "loses it."

Numerous books and articles have been written on how to handle stress. One such article appeared recently in *Parade Magazine* entitled "Let Go of Stress." It begins with the realization that no matter who you are or where you are, stress is a part of life.

L.W. Winik defines stress as "the body's reaction to a perceived threat. Adrenaline and hormones are released, and the nervous system is activated, sharpening the senses. Simultaneously, pulse rises, muscles tense, and the immune system shuts down."

The article gives 10 ways to overcome stress:

- 1.) Plan ahead, ask questions if unsure of directions, deadlines, expectations or responsibilities.
- 2.) Avoid gossip and negative people.
- 3.) Seek out people who are cheerful and who can provide encouragement and a pep talk.
- 4.) Set priorities and establish routines.
- 5.) Focus and refocus your objectives and goals.
- 6.) Understand that your job is not you, and learn to separate your job or your hectic schedule from your life.
- 7.) Reward your accomplishments but don't go overboard.
- 8.) Get enough sleep—siestas aren't just for Mexicans nor naps for cats.

- 9.) Set aside time to play.
- 10.) Change your scenery.

"People who can't relieve daily stress may experience fatigue, upset stomach or frequent headaches," Winik said.

"Long-term stress, however, is even more dangerous leading to family breakdowns, chronic health problems high blood pressure, memory loss, accidents and injuries."

Much has been

written about the very basis of good emotional, spiritual and mental health which starts with a good attitude. It's improbable, if not impossible, for a person to maintain a good attitude if they torture their body with the wrong input, such as too many toxins like fatty foods, alcohol, tobacco, sugar and salt.

Smoking does not aid the body in any way. If a person doesn't smoke, they shouldn't start. It makes a person look 30 when they're 20; it makes them stink, causes lung cancer and numerous other physical problems, and creates a tremendous amount of stress in the body.

A person should drink plenty of unchlorinated water, and get at least a moderate amount of exercise each day.

The more exercise a person gets, on the average, the happier and more relaxed they feel.

According to a 1997 study from the Journal of Health Education, a smoking male who does not exercise has nearly a 40 percent chance of dying in mid-life.

Another tip to controlling stress is to "learn to differentiate what you can control in your life and what you cannot," according to Dr. Betty Staub of the ECU Health Promotions Office. Learn to ignore the everyday irritations. As far as what one person can control, everyone should learn how to recognize these irritations and deal with them.

The first sentence of M. Scott Peck's book, *The Road Less Traveled*, begins, "Life is tough." The most successful athletes, actors and other professionals have learned to use stress successfully. Learn to change bad routines before they become bad habits. Eat well, exercise, smile and be happy.

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Student take a break between classes to relax.

PHOTO BY WILLIAM KEITH

Comedic hypnotist entertains students

La Rosa brings humor to campus

BRIAN FRIZZELLE
STAFF WRITER

Hypnotist Dan La Rosa performed for students in Hendrix Theater on Wednesday night.

La Rosa uses a combination of comedy and the power of hypnosis to put on a show that few will soon forget. After placing a few volunteers from the audience into a trance-like state, he proceeded to have them disco dance on stage, as well as later convincing the volunteers they were small children again. One particular part of the show that stood out was when La Rosa had a student scream at the

"I am glad to come down to ECU. I always look forward to having some fun."

Dan La Rosa
Hypnotist

audience and rap in a language that he did not consciously know.



Dan La Rosa entertains audiences with his hypnotic techniques.

PHOTO BY WILLIAM KEITH

La Rosa began his act in 1986 after witnessing the performance of another hypnotist. He was interested but skeptical and began to look for a way to learn more about it.

"I found a yogi from India back home in Connecticut," La Rosa said. "I took a two-year workshop with him on how hypnosis can improve studies."

La Rosa has taken his act around the country, and he has even entertained the armed forces at U.S. mil-

itary bases across Europe.

"It is a grueling schedule," La Rosa said. "That's life on the road."

A schedule like this may not be to some people's liking, but it seems to suit La Rosa just fine.

"I love it," he said. "Routine nights turn into interesting nights."

Anyone who has seen his show can attest to it being an interesting display. The laughter and applause

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Local groups benefit from NC Arts Council funds

State programs receive necessary grants

BROOKE POTTS
STAFF WRITER

As part of a state-wide effort to bring fine arts programs to the public, each year the NC Arts Council awards over \$6 million in grants to local organizations.

These non-profit groups range from small grassroots organizations to large programs such as the ECU Summer Theater. To support the 1999-2000 season, the University has been awarded almost \$12,000 to fund three separate projects.

"The variety of programs that the NC Arts Council supports demonstrate the far reaching effects of public money," said Miriam Sauls, Communications Director for the NC Arts Council. "Through the programs at ECU and others across the state, we are bringing the arts into the heart of many communities."

ECU has received grants to fund three projects. The East Carolina Summer Theater was awarded \$4,000 to support ongoing projects, and the Writers Reading Series received \$3,000 to support its 1999-2000 season. In addition, the ECU Gray Gallery received \$5,000 to support an upcoming exhibit enti-

tled "Psychromatics: An International Symposium on Colour in Wood-Fired Ceramics."

Each of these groups were selected from among 552 applicants. In order to be eligible to receive a grant, they had to demonstrate that the money was going to support quality programs that will benefit the entire community. Each received money from a different artistic category for application. These categories include literature, performing arts, folk life, artists in schools and communities and music.

"In order to be eligible for the grants, each organization has to meet our criteria and then be approved by a panel which determines the final award amount," said Nancy Trovillon, NC Arts



NC Museum of Art exhibits local works.

PHOTO BY WILLIAM KEITH

Council Assistant Director. "It really is a tough selection process."

The theater program, which brings the performing arts to the

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Art professor, family exhibits work in gallery

Closing reception to take place this evening

NINA M. DRY
ASSISTANT FEATURES EDITOR

The Student Union Visual Arts Committee kicks off another eventful year with a new art exhibit located in the Mendenhall Student Center Gallery. (Billingsley)3 features the works of ECU associate professor and head of the sculpture department, Carl Billingsley, his wife, Catherine and their son, Benjamin.

"The Visual Arts Committee liked the idea of a family of artists working together," said Lee Howard, chairperson of VAC. "It is a positive disposition to promote. It also shows a diversity of [the art] media."

Each member of the Billingsley family contributed pieces from their respective concentrations.

"We're all pretty focused on our own primary means of expression," said Carl Billingsley.

Professor Billingsley's concentration resides in sculpting and casting; Catherine is primarily a weaver, focusing a lot on pattern and color; their son Benjamin characterizes himself as a painter.

Although three different mediums are exhibited in (Billingsley)3, these artists have managed to combine them into a beautiful show.

"We thought the colors in the weavings would go well with [Ben's] paintings," Catherine Billingsley said. "Carl filled in the spaces with his pieces on the pedestals."

One piece that immediately catches the eye in the gallery is Catherine's "Twist and Shout Color" weaving.

"I worked on 'Twist and Shout Color' for several months," Catherine Billingsley said. "[The piece] is based on the Fibonacci number system, where each unit is the sum of the two previous units. It creates a pleasing quality when you look at the patterns."

Catherine Billingsley is also working on another idea called "Name Draft" which incorporates different types of codes into her weaving.



(Billingsley)3 is displayed in Mendenhall's Gallery.

PHOTO BY WILLIAM KEITH

unique pattern," Carl Billingsley said.

An example of a name draft is in Catherine's work entitled "Self Portrait," which is composed of her name. This piece can be viewed at the Gallery.

Tonight, from 6 p.m.-8 p.m., the gallery will have its closing reception of the exhibit.

"This is our first reception of the year," said Howard Billingsley. "There will be a nice spread of food, and the artists will be there to speak with interested parties."

Also, for any art collectors out there, some pieces in the (Billingsley)3 exhibit are for sale. If interested, contact either Carl Billingsley at the art department or Lee Howard with the Visual Arts Committee.

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"I will take a name or a phrase, apply the appropriate number to the letter and develop a distinctive pattern from that system," Catherine Billingsley said. "The messages are encoded into the weavings and it has significance for each person."

"With the coding process, each name and phrase will result in a

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were nearly deafening as La Rosa's volunteers unknowingly entertained the audience. La Rosa did not degrade the people on-stage as some hypnotists tend to do, yet here there was nothing that could have hidden the red faces of the volunteers after La Rosa informed them of their on-stage actions at the end of the show.

La Rosa's travels take him from town to town, and the audience is different each time. Sometimes he comes across previous attendees of his show.

"Sometimes I meet people from Connecticut that I have hypnotized before," La Rosa said.

"I am glad to come down to ECU," La Rosa said. "I always look forward to having some fun."

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community of Greenville throughout the summer, was especially fortunate to receive this grant.

"We use this money to bring to campus and the community theater productions which otherwise the public might not have opportunity to experience," said John Shearin, head of the department of theater and dance. "Support such as this keeps our program going."

This is not the first time that the university has received money from the council. Awards made yearly continue to support the arts at ECU and around the state. This year, the amount available increased by \$2 million as the General Assembly voted to allot a one-time increase to the council. This increase allowed the arts council to distribute funds to over 1,300 community organizations and groups state-wide.

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Seeing through freshman's eyes

University makes its first impressions

NANCY KAYE WHEELER
STAFF WRITER

Lucian Cobb is a freshman music major, with a concentration in jazz studies, and in a candid interview he shared his experiences so far as a rookie Pirate.

Cobb is from Havelock, NC, so Greenville isn't too far from home.

"The first thing I noticed about Greenville and the University is that the people are a lot nicer than in other places," Cobb said. "I felt like I was a part of the University right away. I'll be walking to class and people I don't even know say 'hi' to me!"

Not only is moving to a different town part of the freshman experience, Cobb also had to move into a dorm, which is an experience all in itself.

"Moving in went off without a hitch," Cobb said. "It was really simple and the staff was very helpful. I do wish the freshman parking lot was not so far away, though!"

"I really like that the community service office is right downstairs [in my dorm] and the computer lab is right there too. It can be kind of

loud, but you have to figure that everyone just got to college and they are excited too. I didn't know my roommate before I got here, but it was not as big of a hassle as I thought it would be. We really hit it off."

The difference in college and high school classes is considerable, not only in difficulty and length, but in flexibility.

"Well I'm taking 16 hours this semester: English, geography and a lot of music classes," Cobb said. "I really like the 50 minute classes instead of the hour and a half ones we had in high school. It is also great to be able to make your own schedule with breaks in between classes."

Part of the freshman experience is also the communal eating establishments and other campus activities.

"Todd is great!" Cobb said. "I can eat as much as I want almost whenever I want! The Student Recreation Center is cool, too. It's a good place to go and you don't have to pay for it!"

Whether or not our freshman experience was what we expected it to be or not, we can only hope that future freshmen at ECU have as good of a time as Lucian has had so far.

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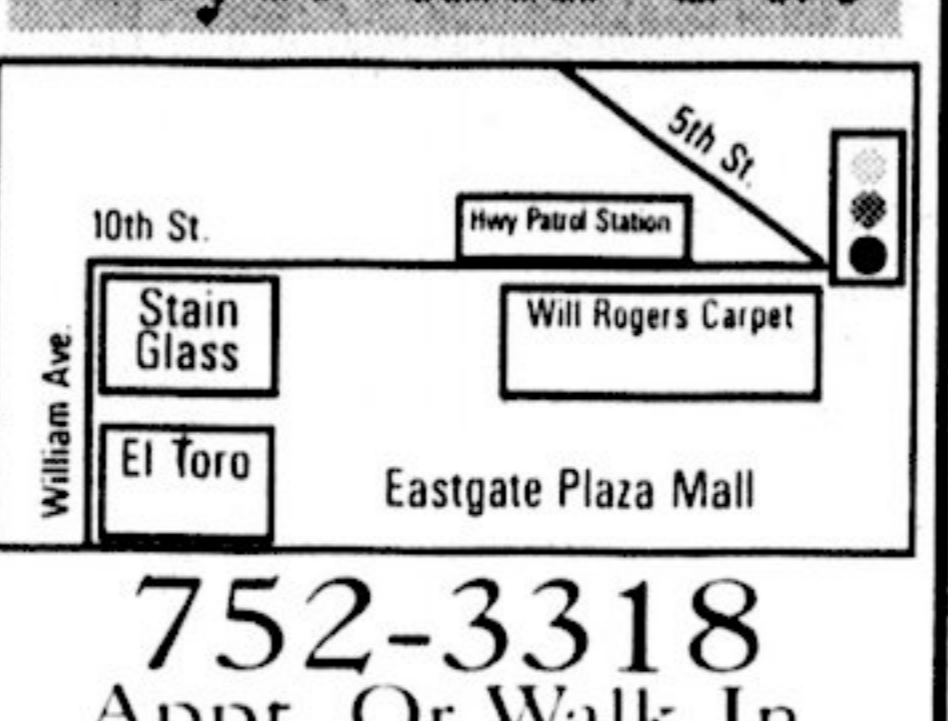
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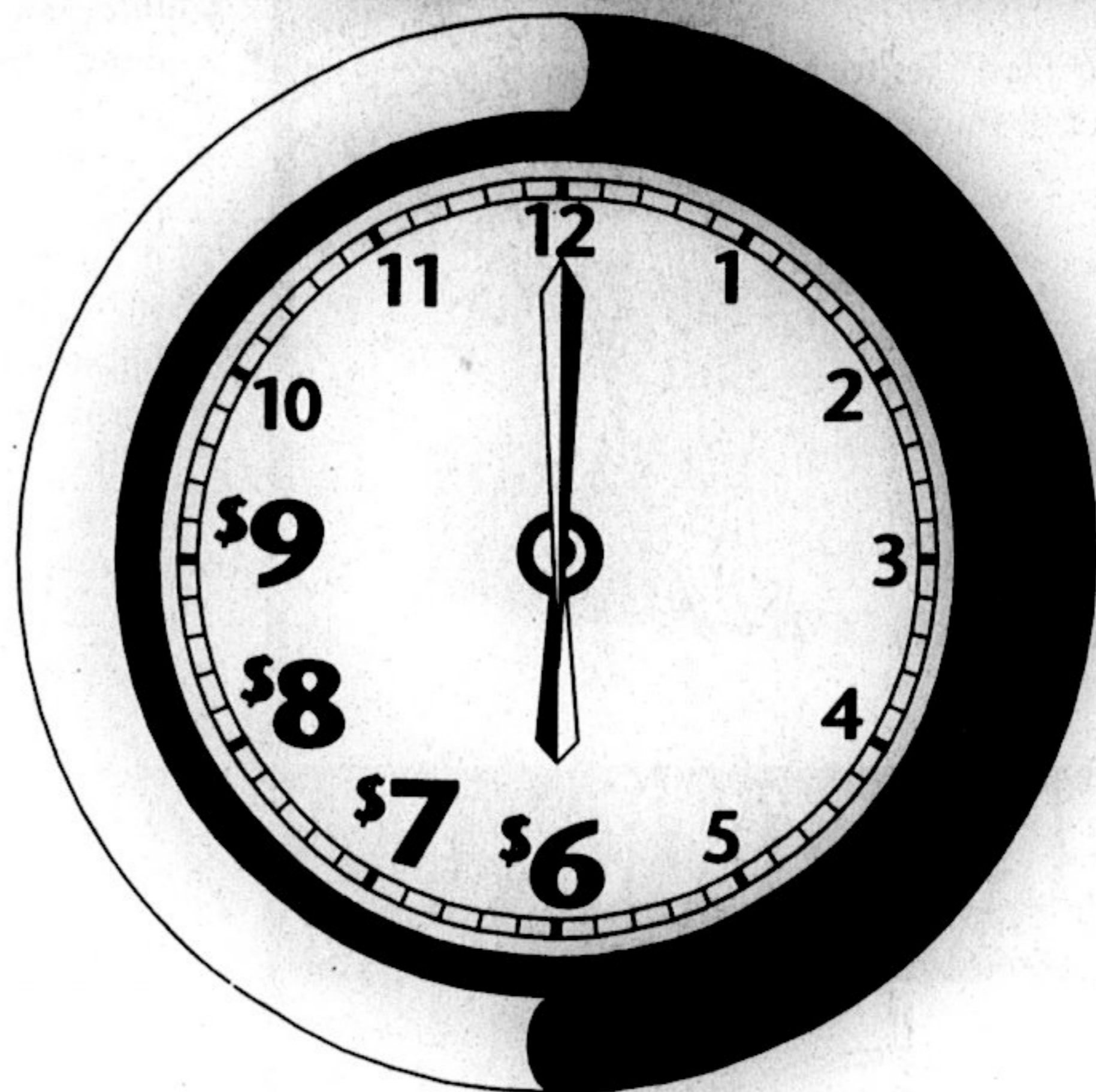
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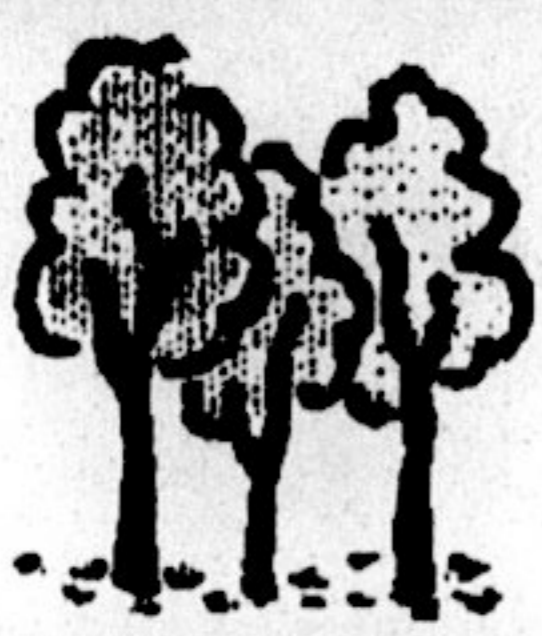


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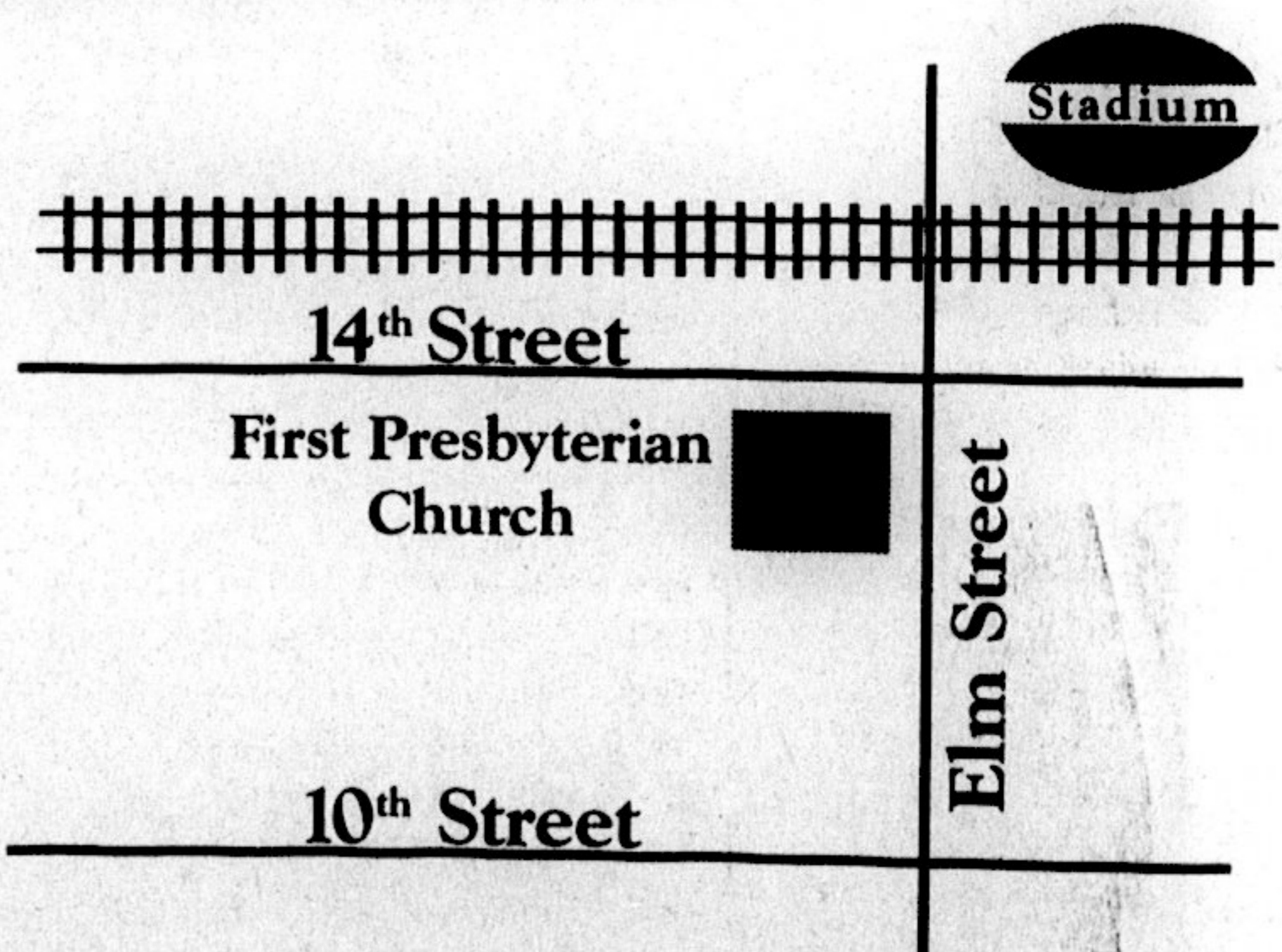
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Penn State Moves up on the Noles

Penn State moved up to No. 2 in the AP Poll after defeating the Arizona Wildcats 41-7 in Happy Valley on Saturday. Arizona was ranked 5th in the country. The Nittany Lions trail No. 1 Florida State by only eight points in the poll. The Seminoles defeated Louisiana Tech 41-7 in Tallahassee on Saturday.



Miami Blows Away Buckeyes

The Miami Hurricanes stormed into the Meadowlands on Sunday and defeated the Ninth ranked Ohio State Buckeyes 23-12 in the Kickoff Classic. Miami quarterback Kenny Kelly was 17-25 for 245 yards.



Earnhardt Wins at Bristol

Dale Earnhardt won the Goody's Headache Powder 500 in Bristol Tenn. Saturday. Earnhardt pushed race leader, Terry Labonte, in the final lap to win.



Sosa Hits No. 54, Cubs Win

Sammy Sosa hit his 54th home run Sunday as the Chicago Cubs shut out the Dodgers 6-0 at Dodger Stadium. Chicago rookie, Kyle Farnsworth got the win.



Hampton Wins 17th

Houston Pitcher, Mike Hampton won his 17th game as the Houston Astros defeated the Florida Marlins 2-1 in Houston, Sunday. The Astros used back-to-back home runs to stay one game up on the Cincinnati Reds in the NL Central.

Woods Wins NEC

Tiger Woods won the NEC Invitational despite shooting a 1-over-71 on the final round. Woods held off a late charge by Phil Vickleson to win the event.



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Pirate baseball implements changes



Recruiting, coaching additions announced

PETER DAWYD
ASSISTANT SPORTS EDITOR

Upon completing one of the most challenging and successful seasons in ECU baseball, head coach Keith LeClair has set his eyes on many new additions which will take over where last year's team left off.

LeClair and the Pirates have

signed 14 student athletes to its 2000 recruiting class. Among them, there are 10 pitchers and four position players. LeClair hopes that these players will be able to make an immediate impact for the team and possibly help to build the future of the team.

I think we certainly identified our needs, which were mainly on the pitching staff, and addressed those concerns by bringing in some good, talented young arms, LeClair said. I think there are a lot of quality kids in this class and some real talent. As a class I think they have a bright future and can help get this program to the level

want to be at every year.

Not stopping at just a strong and talented freshmen class, the Pirates have also received three other student athletes that have transferred to ECU and are expected to play during the 2000 season.

Justin Hyde, a senior transfer from Clemson, Clayton McCullough, a sophomore transfer from Vanderbilt, prep standout at J.H. Rose High in Greenville and Kieran Mattison, a sophomore transfer from the college of Charleston will all join up to play in the 2000 season.

"We are excited about about

that the addition of these three solid w e players and are glad to get them back in eastern North Carolina," LeClair said. "All of them can play a role for us and we will hopefully figure out how much in the fall. I think McCullough has some valuable experience playing in the SEC last year and Hyde was in the ACC with Clemson, so we want to see where that will take us. We are looking forward to seeing what these three additions can help us do."

Along with the numerous player additions coaching additions will also bring new style to the team.

Kevin McMullan, former assistant coach at St. John's University for the past three years, has recently been named the new assistant coach for the Pirates.

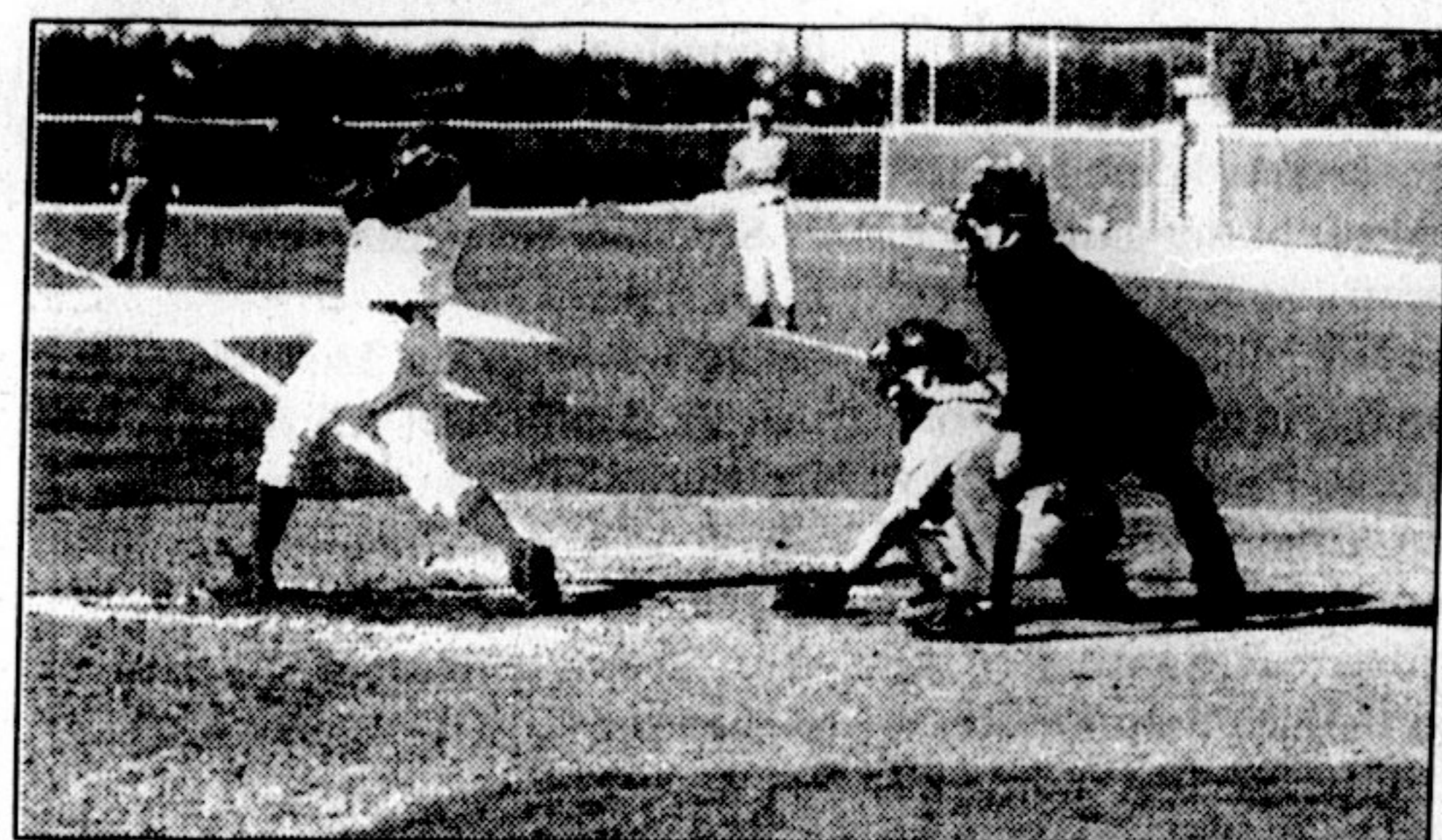
McMullan replaces Todd Raleigh who was assistant coach for one year before leaving to take the head coaching position for

was the head baseball coach as well as the strength and conditioning coordinator for Indiana University in Pennsylvania. With that job, he was in charge of managing funding matters as well as scheduling many other events and procedures.

Before taking any college coaching position, McMullan was among one of the top players in the New York Yankees farm team organization. In 1992 he was named the Pioneer league Most Valuable Offensive Player. and was on the all star team in 1990.

Joining McMullan, is Tommy Eason, a former ECU standout who has been helping with the Pirates for the past two years as a graduate assistant coach. Eason has been promoted to a full-time coaching position.

Eason has been focusing mainly on the pitching staff during last years season. With his expertise, the Pirates had a 4.10 ERA (15th



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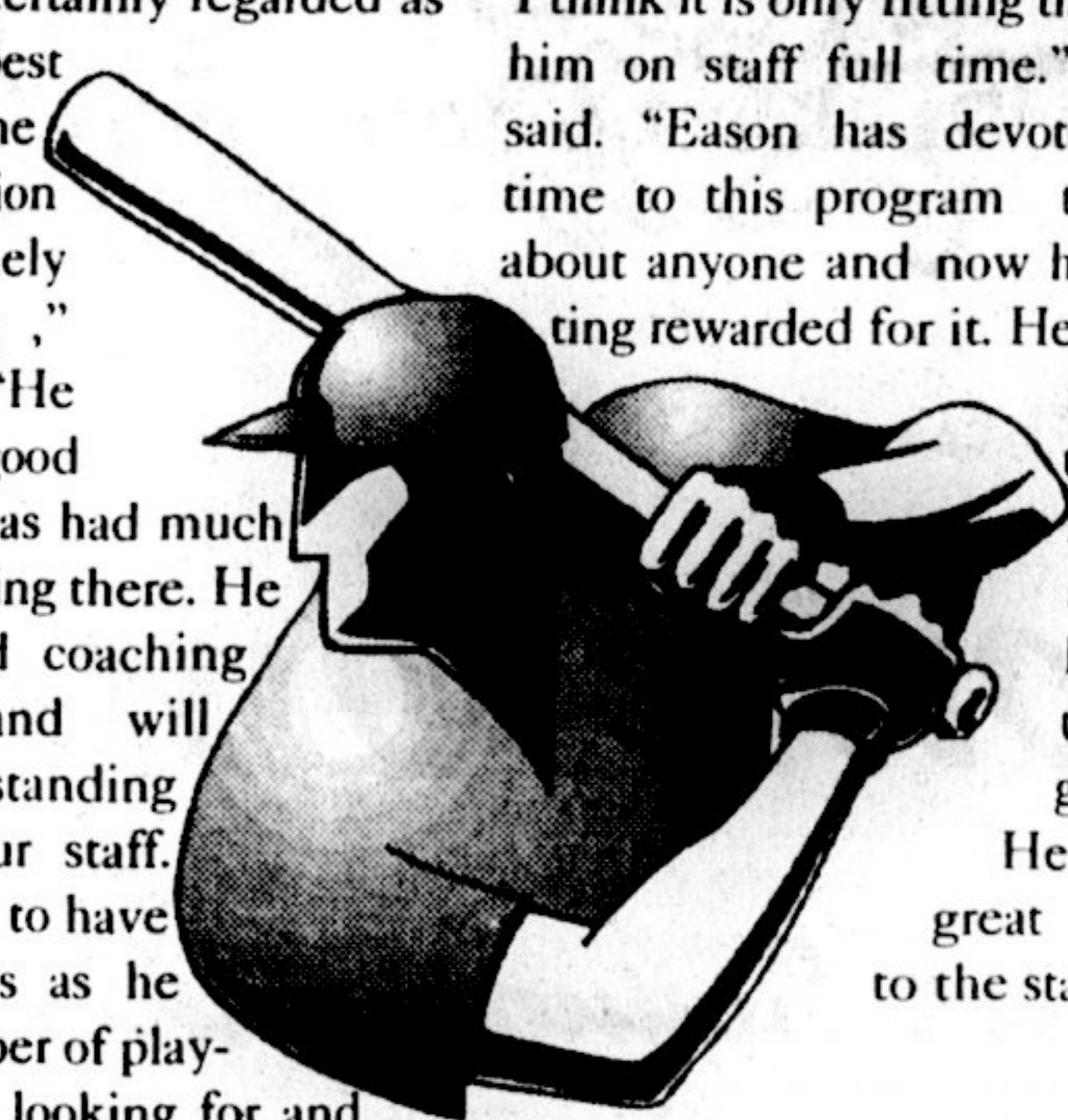
Western Carolina University. McMullan will be overseeing the recruiting duties as well as working with the outfielders and looking to improve hitting percentages for the Pirates.

"Kevin is certainly regarded as one of the best recruiters in the Northeast region and is extremely hard working," LeClair said. "He comes from a good program and has had much success recruiting there. He also has head coaching experience and will make an outstanding addition to our staff. We are excited to have him joining us as he knows the caliber of player that we are looking for and can help us go and get it."

Prior to St. John's, McMullan

in the nation), one of many honors that the Pirates achieved with Eason as well as the 46-16 record and the CAA title.

"I really feel that with what Tommy has done for this program, I think it is only fitting that we get him on staff full time." LeClair said. "Eason has devoted more time to this program than just about anyone and now he is getting rewarded for it. He is terrific with the athletes and he knows the game. He is a great addition to the staff."



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Football team prepares for season opener

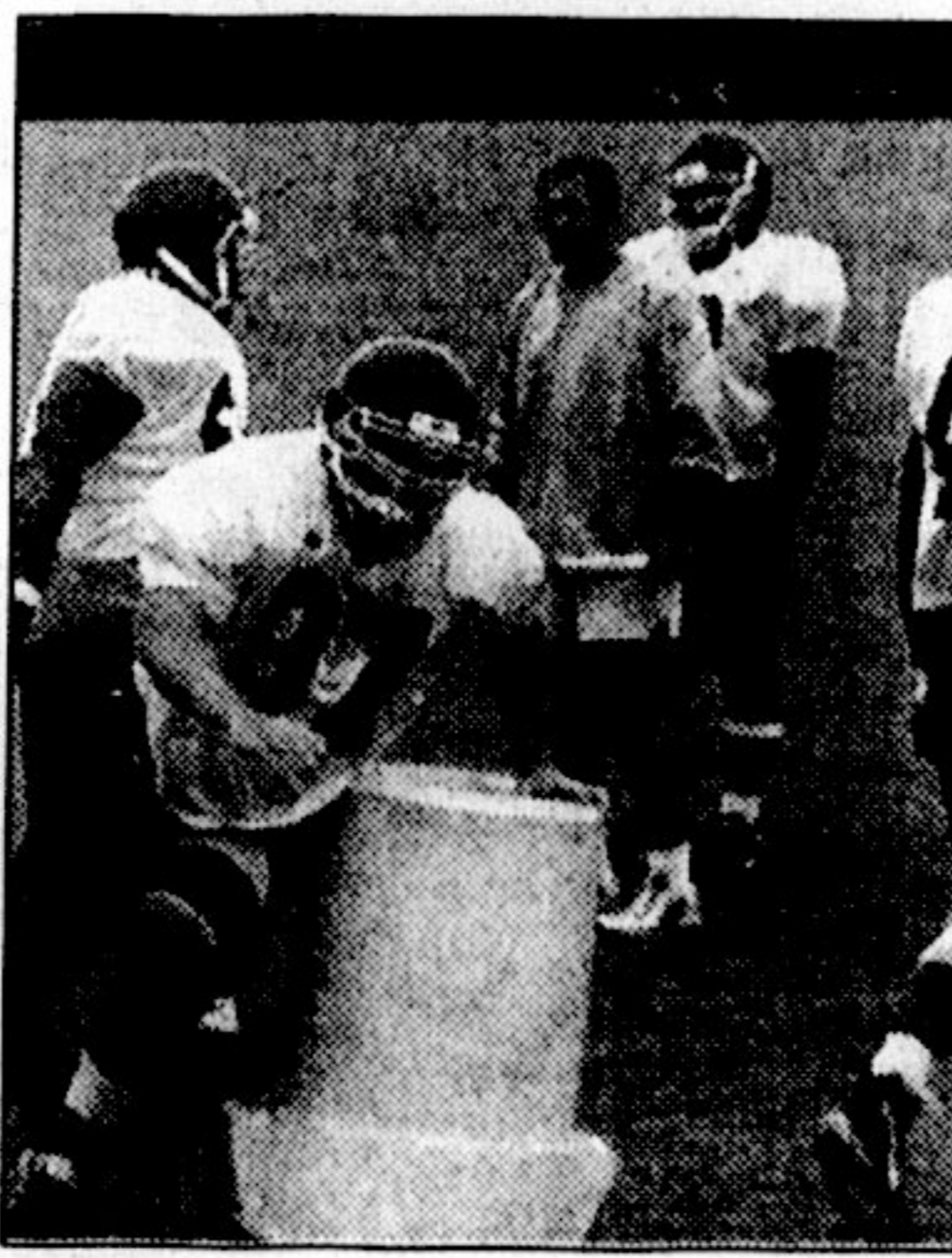
Practices focus on problems

STEPHEN SCHRAMM
SPORTS EDITOR

In five days, the most anticipated season of Pirate football will begin.

ECU's date with West Virginia in Ericsson Stadium will open the 1999 campaign with a stiff challenge. The Pirates have been preparing for the Mountaineers since the opening of camp in early August. In the past few days, the level of intensity has increased as the game nears.

"I told the kids today, if we keep getting better, we'll be OK," said Steve Logan, head coach. "We can't lighten off or go downhill. I'm pleased with the way the kids are



Derek Helms gears up for West Virginia.
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working."

As game time approaches, the focus of the practices moves away from conditioning and basic drills and begins to focus on specific problems posed by West Virginia using drills with the scout team.

"Our defense has got to work hard because [West Virginia] has got one hell of a quarterback, Marc Bulger," said senior Norris McCleary, defensive tackle. "He's going to be really hard to contain."

It is also a time for some of the players who were injured in the early practices to return.

The trio of injured linebackers are almost back to full strength. Senior Jeff Kerr and sophomore Pernell Griffin returned to practice last week. Meanwhile, junior Eric Reyes continues to sit out due to a calf injury.

"Everybody wants everybody to get healthy. The whole team has got nicks and bruises, but that's football though," McCleary said.

By playing West Virginia, the Pirates continue their tradition of tough opposition in their season openers. In the 90s, ECU has opened against teams such as

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Bob Smith talks, fans listen

This broadcaster calls 'em as he sees 'em

RYAN DOWNEY
STAFF WRITER

Many times, fans feel as if they have no say in what happens during the game and for the most part, they are right, but for one fan this wish has come true.

The man known as the student voice of the Pirates, Bob Smith, for the last three years, has broadcasted for the Pirates home games on the 250 watt student radio station WZMB. Students find his game broadcasts entertaining because Smith calls the game the way everybody in the stands sees it.

"It's really refreshing to hear somebody who gives an honest portrayal of what is going on during the game," said Richard Chadwell, an ECU junior.

"Many Students listen to the games on headphones while at Dowdy-Ficklen Stadium watching

the game. They say they enjoy the all-out broadcast of the game."

The thing that makes Smith's broadcasts so different from the other game broadcast provided by the Pirate Sports Network is that Smith holds no punches. While many times established broadcasters will soften mistakes made by the team they are covering, Smith gets right to the point.

"I don't sugar coat anything that happens during a game. The thing that our listeners enjoy is that I call



WZMB sportscasters tell it like it is.
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the game the way I see it and don't worry about being too tough on people," Smith said.

When Smith first got started with the broadcast at WZMB, it was

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Bulger looking for some personal gain this season

MORGANTOWN, W.Va. (AP)—Billboards along state highways remind motorists who drives the West Virginia football team.

"On the Marc," reads one. "Must see QB," says another. Marc Bulger is definitely the pilot for the Mountaineers' quest for a fifth-straight bowl trip. And the low-key Bulger, not one to put himself before his team, acknowledges he is looking for a bit of personal satisfaction this year.

Having been overshadowed by Syracuse's Donovan McNabb his entire career, Bulger has a chance to overtake the departed McNabb in career Big East passing yards, adding to his 21 school records. "That will probably be more special, because West Virginia hasn't been really known for its passing too much," said Bulger. Bulger needs 2,747 yards to break McNabb's record of 8,389 set last season. Bulger has averaged 2,656 yards in each of the past two seasons and has three veteran receivers back to help.

More difficult, but still possible, will be reaching McNabb's Big East record of 77 touchdowns. Bulger needs 36, an average of more than three per game. But

with the loss of tailback Amos Zereoue to the NFL, Bulger figures to be throwing a lot more this season.

"He's definitely the best quarterback this school's ever seen," said center John Conte, dismissing such Mountaineer legends as Major Harris and Jeff Hostetler. "I mean ever. Forget anybody else. Marc's the best. And that's all there is to it."

"He's just got great composure. He's not a rah-rah guy," said Conte, one of five new starters on the offensive line this season. "I think that's a big asset. When he speaks, people listen to him."

Coach Don Nehlen figures Bulger has a good chance to reach the records.

"Number one, we've given him the opportunity to smash them," said Coach Nehlen. "If we hadn't played the kind of football we have, he wouldn't break them. And number two, he has the ability to break them. If I ran option football with Marc Bulger, that would be kind of stupid. He's an accurate passer."

Bulger also has the confidence of his receivers. "I think the system really helped him out," said Pat

Greene. "Before there were only two receivers. Now, we've got three receivers, four receivers. The tailback coming out of the back-field. We've got so many different weapons and different angles to come at you with that it's hard to defend them. And Marc's a good quarterback. He's smart enough to take advantage of that. It's hard for defenses to pick up on that."

Bulger has had hurdles every year. "In high school, I wasn't known," he said. "I had two or three offers. That was it. Then, when I got here, I was too small. Then my freshman year, I think it was my back that was hurt. Then it turned into my inexperience. Now this year, it will be the loss of everyone. It's always going to be something."

Bulger agrees his experience will be important to the Mountaineers.

"I think I've learned a lot," he said. "Last year I was surrounded by so many seniors, that I pretty much considered myself a senior last year. Hopefully this year I can improve ever more. I'll have to, because we're going to be pretty young."

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new territory.

"When we started doing our student broadcast of the game, there had not been a student broadcast of football at any public university in North Carolina in 50 years. We did, though, meet a student broadcast team from Wake Forest, but they're a private school," Smith said.

So in that way, Smith is a real pioneer in the area. Smith relates to the student perspective during the games, even sitting in an unair-conditioned area of the stadium among

the students while wearing a suit.

"It gets hot out there, but I want to maintain a certain level of professionalism. I want to look like a broadcaster not a sloppy college kid," Smith said.

Students have really caught on to his style.

"As a football fan, I love the fact that he (Smith) will tell you when he thinks a bad play has been called, that way I know I am not screaming at my screen all alone," said Spawn Lightfoot an ECU pirates fan.

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Syracuse, Virginia Tech, Tennessee and West Virginia. Under Logan, the Pirates are 1-7 in these games.

Despite their lackluster track record in season openers, the Pirates remain optimistic.

"It's going really good, said junior Jamie Wilson, running back. "We've learned a lot and everybody's coming together strong."

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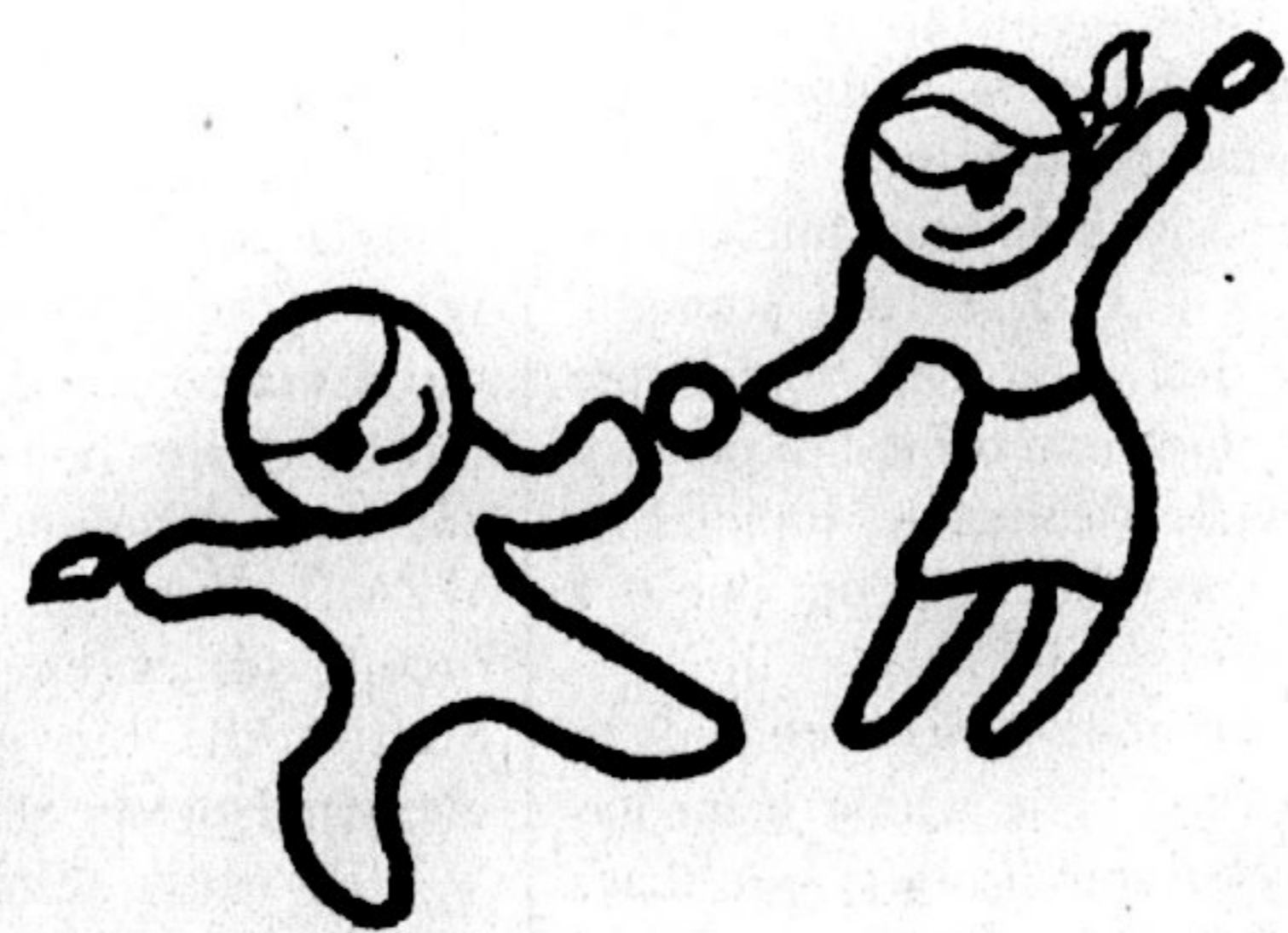
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Blocked punts cost Longhorns victory

AUSTIN, Texas (AP)—There is life in North Carolina State University after Terry Holt. It's just on the other side of the ball. North Carolina State continued its year of early-season upsets Saturday night, using three blocked punts and a stingy second-half defense to pull out a 23-20 victory over No. 17 Texas in the Black Coaches Association Classic.

Terrence Holt, younger brother of the departed All-American wide receiver, blocked two punts that were converted into touchdowns for North Carolina State.

"I've never been associated with a game in which we've won in this

fashion, with so many blocked punts," said NC State coach Mike O'Cain. "It wasn't very pretty, which is typical of a first game. It had a magical ending.

"We emphasize blocking punts and it paid off," O'Cain said.

With the Wolfpack trailing 20-15 with 3:32 left, Holt sprinted in from the right side to get a piece of Ryan Long's punt at the Texas 48. Eric Leak, who blocked a punt in the first half that led to a safety, picked up the loose ball and ran it in for the go-ahead touchdown.

Quarterback Jamie Barnette found Chris Coleman in the corner of the end zone for the 2-

point conversion and 23-20 lead. "We had pressure from the outside, and I just took the right angle and got to the ball," Holt said. "We knew that special teams was going to win it."

They had to. North Carolina State's offense struggled all night. Barnette, the ACC total offense leader in 1998, was constantly harassed by Texas pass rushers and finished 9-of-26 for 65 yards with one interception. The Wolfpack gained only 171 yards. Texas drove to midfield looking for a possible tying field goal, but came up short when quarterback Major Applewhite was stuffed on fourth-and-inches.

Texas played its first game in four years without Division I-A career rushing leader Ricky Williams. Applewhite passed for 316 yards and one touchdown and ran for one score.

The Texas running game was a pale comparison to a year ago, however. Texas gained just 56 yards on 36 attempts. Backup tailback Victor Ike led the Longhorns with 48 yards on 12 carries.

"The only stats that mean anything are the kicking game and turnovers. It's a devastating loss for our kids," said Texas coach Mack Brown. "You can't have three blocked punts for 16 points

and win a ball game."

NC State pulled off its third early-season upset, in as many years, after victories over Syracuse in 1997 and Florida State in 1998. It also was NC State coach Mike O'Cain's first victory over Brown. O'Cain was 0-5 against Brown's North Carolina teams.

Despite its recent fortunes in big early-season games, NC State very nearly was victimized by its own mistakes.

Texas changed consecutive Wolfpack turnovers into a 10-0 first quarter lead, on a 2-yard run by Applewhite and a 48-yard field goal by Kris Stockton. NC State shook off those mis-

takes on its next possession. Rob Robinson capped an 80-yard drive when he broke outside for a 25-yard touchdown run to make it 10-7.

The Wolfpack pulled to 10-9 when Leak recorded NC State's first blocked punt. The ball rolled 31 yards to the end zone but three NC State players couldn't pick it up before the ball rolled over the back line for a safety.

NC State made up for that mistake when Holt blocked a punt that Tony Scott returned 25 yards for a touchdown to pull the Wolfpack within 17-15 in the fourth quarter.

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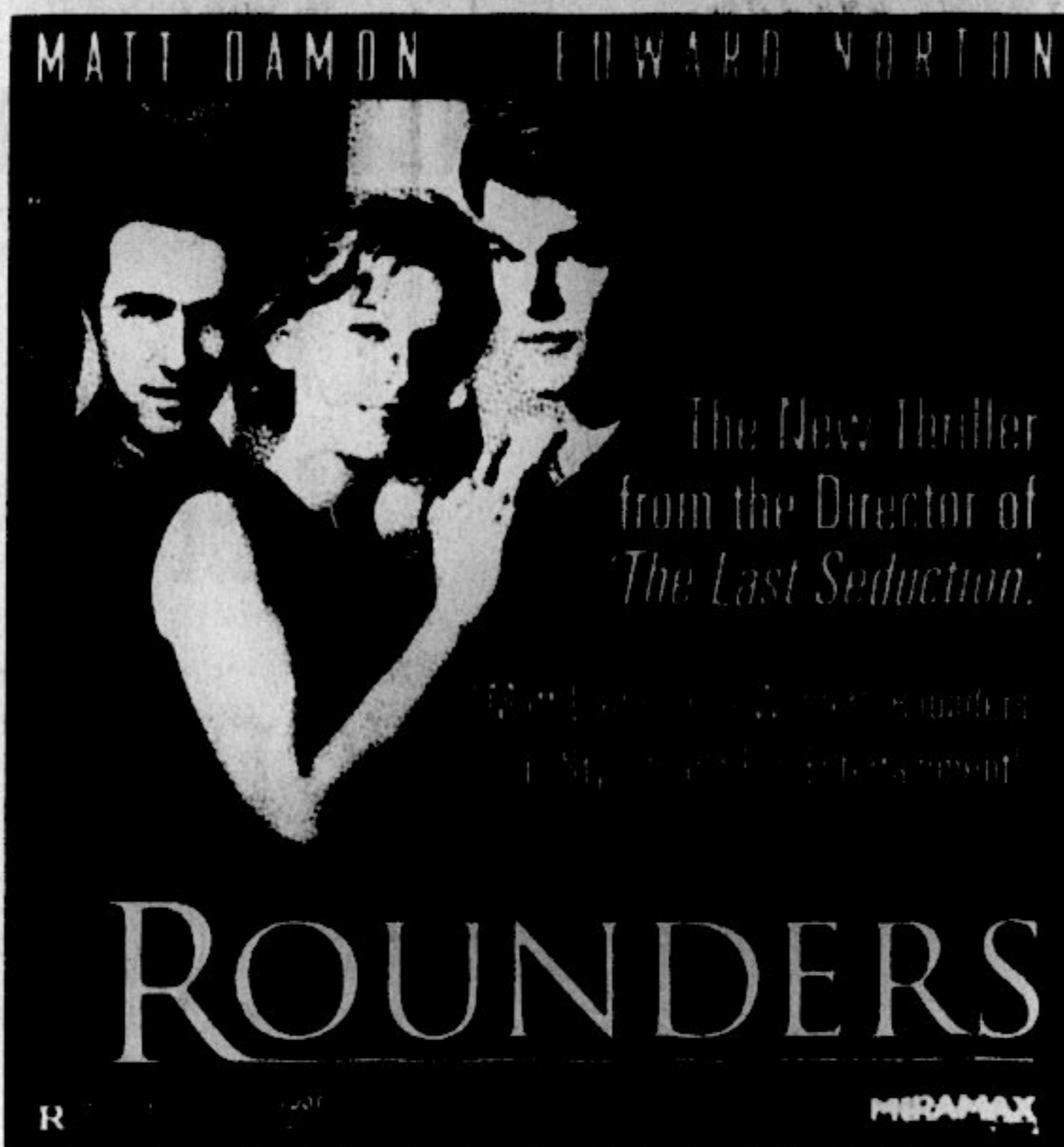
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A law school student (Matt Damon) loses his tuition money and everything else he has saved in a high stakes poker game. Learning his lesson (he thinks), he vows to his girl friend (Mol Gretchen) to give up playing forever. That lasts until his best friend (Edward Norton), a notorious card shark, is released from prison and drags him back into the circuit to pay debts he has incurred to a Russian mobster (John Malkovich). John Turturro also appears as a career poker player and Martin Landau plays a law professor who understands his student's need to be something other than what is dictated to him.

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When word reaches two elderly best friends that someone in their tiny Irish village has won the national lottery, they go to great lengths to find the winner so they can share the wealth. When they discover the "lucky" winner, Ned Devine, they find he has died of shock upon discovering his win. Not wanting the money to go to waste, the village enters a pact to pretend Ned is still alive by having another man pose as him, and then to divide the money between them.

Wednesday, Sept. 8 @ 7:30 pm & Thursday, Sept. 9 @ 10 pm



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7-8pm / MSC Gallery
- 1 **Wicked Wednesday**
Mercury Cinema: Rounders
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- 2 **Thrilling Thursday**
Mercury Cinema: Rounders
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- 3 **Labor Day Weekend!**
Art Exhibit: "Labor of Love"
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MSC Gallery-9/5-9/30
- 8 **Wicked Wednesday**
Mercury Cinema: Waking Ned Devine
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- 9 **Thrilling Thursday**
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10pm / Hendrix
- 11 **Saturday!**
Pirate Underground presents the
Mike Plume Band (Roots Rock)
10pm / MSC Brick yard

Graf looks at life without tennis

NEW YORK (AP) Steffi Graf came back to the U.S. Open wearing pumps instead of sneakers, a sleek, navy blue dress instead of tennis whites, and a carefree smile that revealed how comfortable she is with her decision to retire.

There may be a time when Graf will miss the game so much that she will change her mind, lace up again and grab her rackets.

"Right now," she said Saturday on the eve of the tournament she won five times, "walking away" seems extremely easy. I don't

know if that's going to be the case in a few months."

It seems so easy, she said, because she has no regrets. She has been playing professionally more

than half her life, from 13 to 30.

Her 22nd Grand Slam singles title, the French Open in June, was her most emotional and satisfying, completing a journey back from injuries and illnesses that nearly ended her career before she was ready to quit. She goes out now on her own terms and unquestionably as one of the game's greatest players ever.

"I feel pretty happy about leaving it right now," Graf said, two weeks after announcing she would skip the Open and retire from the tour. "I know I'm going to miss the competitiveness, without a doubt. The working out. It's different being on a bike or a StairMaster instead of being able to run around

and be upset if you miss a shot or be happy if you win it. But right now, I'm not missing it. It may sound a little strange, knowing me, but in a way a lot of pressure has gone and it feels good."

Graf spoke at the National Tennis Center on a beautiful, warm afternoon after Pete Sampras, Andre Agassi, Martina Hingis and Serena Williams and others playfully participated in the annual Arthur Ashe Kids' Day.

A sellout crowd of 20,883 helped raise more than \$500,000 for charities, including \$400,000 that will go to the National Junior Tennis League to help programs aimed at inner city kids.



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WZMB	Thurs. Aug. 26	5 p.m.	Mendenhall 221
The East Carolinian	Tues. Aug. 31	3 p.m.	Mendenhall Social Rm.
Web Media	Tues. Aug. 31	4 p.m.	Student Publications Bldg.
Expressions	Wed. Sept. 1	3 p.m.	Mendenhall 212
Rebel	Wed. Sept. 1	4 p.m.	Mendenhall 212
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1990 BRONCO II, good deal, tape deck/radio, power locks/window. Runs well. 355-5150.

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2 YEAR old Whisper Writer word processor, like new with monitor and printer, \$100 firm. Call Paula at 754-0926.

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1995 HONDA Civic EX, excellent condition, fully loaded, power sunroof, CD changer, new tires, call 413-0330, ask for Dennis or Tracy. \$12,500 OBO.

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SOME ASSEMBLY required, holes in the wall, odd jobs, repair work, painting, low rates, save that deposit and call 757-8781, leave message.

ELEMENTARY ED major to keep 4 yr. old Monday and Wednesday afternoons. Send resume to 3807 Sterling Trace Drive, Winterville, NC 28590. Own transportation required. Fax number 353-8902.

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CHRISTIAN NURSERY workers needed Sunday mornings 9:15-12:15. Additional hours available. Jarvis Memorial United Methodist Church, 510 S. Washington St. Apply at church office. Office hours 8 a.m.-12noon and 1:30-5 p.m.

WANTED: STUDENT for after school care for an 8 year-old. Needed M-F 3-6 p.m. Will require transportation. If interested call after 5, 756-6981; daytime 355-6423.

\$25+ PER Hour. Direct sales reps needed Now! Market credit card appl. Person-to-person. Commissions avg. \$250-500/wk. 1-800-651-2832.

CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT, industrial engineer or similar major needed for part-time to full-time work. Must be able to use drill, etc. Will work with your schedule. Call 756-8470 for appt.

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NEED A PART TIME JOB? RPS INC.

Is looking for new employees to load vans and unload trailers for the art shift hours 3:00am to 5am. \$7.50/hour, tuition assistance available after 30 days. Future career opportunities in operations and management possible. Applications can be filled out at 2410 United Drive (near the aquatic center) Greenville

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TEACHER NEEDED full-time to teach 2 year olds class. Must have experience. Also hiring substitutes. Call Harmony Child Care, 756-6229.

BABYSITTER NEEDED all day on Thursdays (no morning classes, please), for two young children. No smokers, please. Must have references. Call 355-7875.

PART-TIME JOBS AVAILABLE. Joan's Fashions, a local Women's Clothing Store, is now filling part-time positions. Applicants must be available for Tuesday afternoons, Thursday mornings and/or Thursday afternoons. The positions are for between 7 and 20 hours per week, depending on your schedule and on business needs. The jobs are within walking distance of ECU and the hours are flexible. Pay is commensurate with your experience and job performance and is supplemented by an employee discount. Apply in person to Store Manager, Joan's Fashions, 423 S. Evans Street, Greenville (Uptown Greenville).

MOTHER'S HELPER needed for 4 children. Includes housecleaning, cooking & babysitting. Requires excellent references with reliable transportation. Mondays, Tuesdays &/or Thursdays for full days. Call 321-1379.

FREE BABY Boom Box + Earn \$1200! Fundraiser for student groups & organizations. Earn up to \$4 per MasterCard app. Call for info or visit our website. Qualified callers receive a free baby boom box. 1-800-932-0528 ext. 119 or ext. 125 www.ecm-concepts.com

ONLINE INFORMATION Services is looking for 3 parttime telephone collectors to work evenings from 5 p.m. to 9 p.m. and every other Saturday from 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. Call Brian Franey at 757-2130 or Andi Cullums at 754-1615.

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LOOKING FOR 20 guys and gals for local radio station phone promotion. Earn \$6 plus bonus per hour. Full and part time, morning, day and evening hours available. Near campus location at 223 West 10th Street Suite #107 (inside Wilcar Executive Center) just down the street from McDonalds and Krispy Kreme. Apply ASAP in person only 10a.m. through 6p.m. (no calls please).

\$\$\$TUTORS NEEDED\$\$\$
Looking for some extra money (best pay on campus!) and a way to improve academically? Become a tutor for the Office of Student Development-Athletics? We need individuals capable of tutoring any level (0001-5999) in all subject areas. Undergraduate students are paid six dollars an hour (\$6) and graduate students are paid seven dollars an hour (\$7). If this sounds like the job for you, join us for an orientation meetings in Ward Sports Medicine Building (behind Minges Coliseum) on either 8/24 at 5 p.m., 8/25 at 3 p.m. or 8/30 at 5 p.m. Questions? Need more information? Contact Isha Williams at 328-4691 for further information.

LOOKING FOR A job? The ECU Telefund is hiring students for the Fall of 1999 to contact alumni and parents for the ECU Annual Fund Drive. \$5.50 per hour. Make your own schedule. If interested, call 328-4212, M-TH between the hours of 3-6PM

YOUTH IN-LINE Hockey Coaches. The Greenville Recreation and Parks Department is recruiting part-time youth In-Line Hockey coaches. Applicant must possess some knowledge of the hockey skills and have the ability and patience to work with youth. Applicants must be able to coach young people ages 5-18, in hockey fundamentals. This program will run from early October to mid-December. Salary rates start at \$5.15 per hour. Applications will be taken until the positions are filled. For more information, please call Judd Crumpler, Michael Daly or Ben James at 329-4550 after 2PM.

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FUN & free pictures. Looking to try something new? Looking for fun? Would you like to have special pictures to give to your family or boyfriend? I enjoy shooting pictures of young women for my portfolio. If you model for me, I will give you free pictures. Reputable amateur photographer. References available (I've photographed dozens of ECU girls). Please send a note, phone number and a picture (if available - it will be returned) to Paul Hronjak, 4413 Pinehurst Dr., Wilson, NC 27893 or call 252-237-8218 or e-mail me at hronjak@simflex.com

GREEK PERSONALS

GAMMA BETA Phi Society will meet **Thursday, Sept. 2, at 5 p.m. in GC 1031.** For more info: www.ecu.edu/org/gbp/

CONGRATULATIONS to all of our new members: Tonya Collier, Laurie Cooke, Suzanne Cotty, Jessica Crawley, Kristina Davis, Elizabeth Garrett, Corinne Grodski, Sandy Hartsoe, Gina Jannuzzi, Michelle Leggett, Emily Mickelson, Kathy Pacella, Jane Polifrone, Niki Ringgold, Kristin Seery, Catherine Stephens, Meghan Wagner, Jessica Wearne, Macaria Wheeler, Lauren White, Courtney Zimmerman. Love, the sisters of Alpha Phi

PI KAPPA Alpha thanks for showing our new girls a great time at pref. We all had a blast, and look forward to doing it again. Love, Alpha Phi

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5 PERCENT discount, ECU students with this coupon. Hot dogs, subs, and pizzas. Warren's "Hot" Dogs, 1938 North Memorial Drive.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SIGMA GAMMA Rho invites all who are interested in learning more about our organization to the Informational Meeting, Sept. 1st in Mendenhall Student Center at 7 p.m., Great Room 1

PASTOR JAMES D. Corbett of Community Christian Church will be hosting a Singles Fellowship on Friday, Sept. 3 at 7 p.m. Guest speaker will be Pastor Shirley Nicholson from Abundant Life Community Christian Church in Silver Spring, MD. The fellowship will be held at Community Christian Academy, 2009 Pactolus Road, Greenville. All adult single women and men are invited to attend. Singles Fellowship is designed to minister to the needs of the unmarried so they may learn to live saved, single, and successful lives as Christians. For info, call 561-9143.

FIRST DANCE of the year! September Contra Dance music by Contradiction; caller: Brian Hayes. Free beginner lessons: 7-7:30 p.m. Dance: 7:30-10:30 p.m. Location: Willis Bldg., 1st and Reade Sts. downtown. Students \$3.00, public \$5-6. ECU Folk and Country Dancers. Come alone or bring a friend! 328-0237.

COME JOIN the RCLS Society on September 13 in the Pirate's Club building at 4:30 p.m. New members are welcome! Please bring your calendars.

THE REAL Crisis Center is recruiting community people to become volunteer crisis counselors. We need community people for daytime and nighttime shifts. We need your experiences! Your achievements in everyday situations can be useful to others. We will be offering a training course beginning Sept. 13. For more info, call 758-HELP.

ECU ROAD Rules Mission #2 is being held Tuesday, Aug. 31 from 4-5 p.m. or Wednesday, Sept. 1 from 7-8 p.m. in 212 Mendenhall. All freshmen commuters are invited. Investigate your learning style and ways to succeed in class. Call #6881 for more information.

FRESHMAN FOCUS will be held on Wednesday, Sept. 1 from 7-8 p.m. in the Student Recreation Center's Classroom. Come out to this free event and learn the how's, why's, and where's of fitness.

ENJOY A pleasant day hiking in Umstead State Park on Sept. 12. Reg. Sept. 1. Cost is \$15 for members and \$20 for non-members. Student Recreation Center

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VOLLEYBALL OFFICIALS Meeting: Anyone interested in being an official for intramural volleyball should attend the meeting on Sept. 1 at 9 p.m. in the Student Recreation Center classroom. Some experience requested and you will be paid! For more info, please call 328-6367.

DON'T MISS the sea kayaking trip to Goose Creek scheduled for Sept. 9. Reg. Sept. 1. Cost is \$15 for members and \$20 for non-members.

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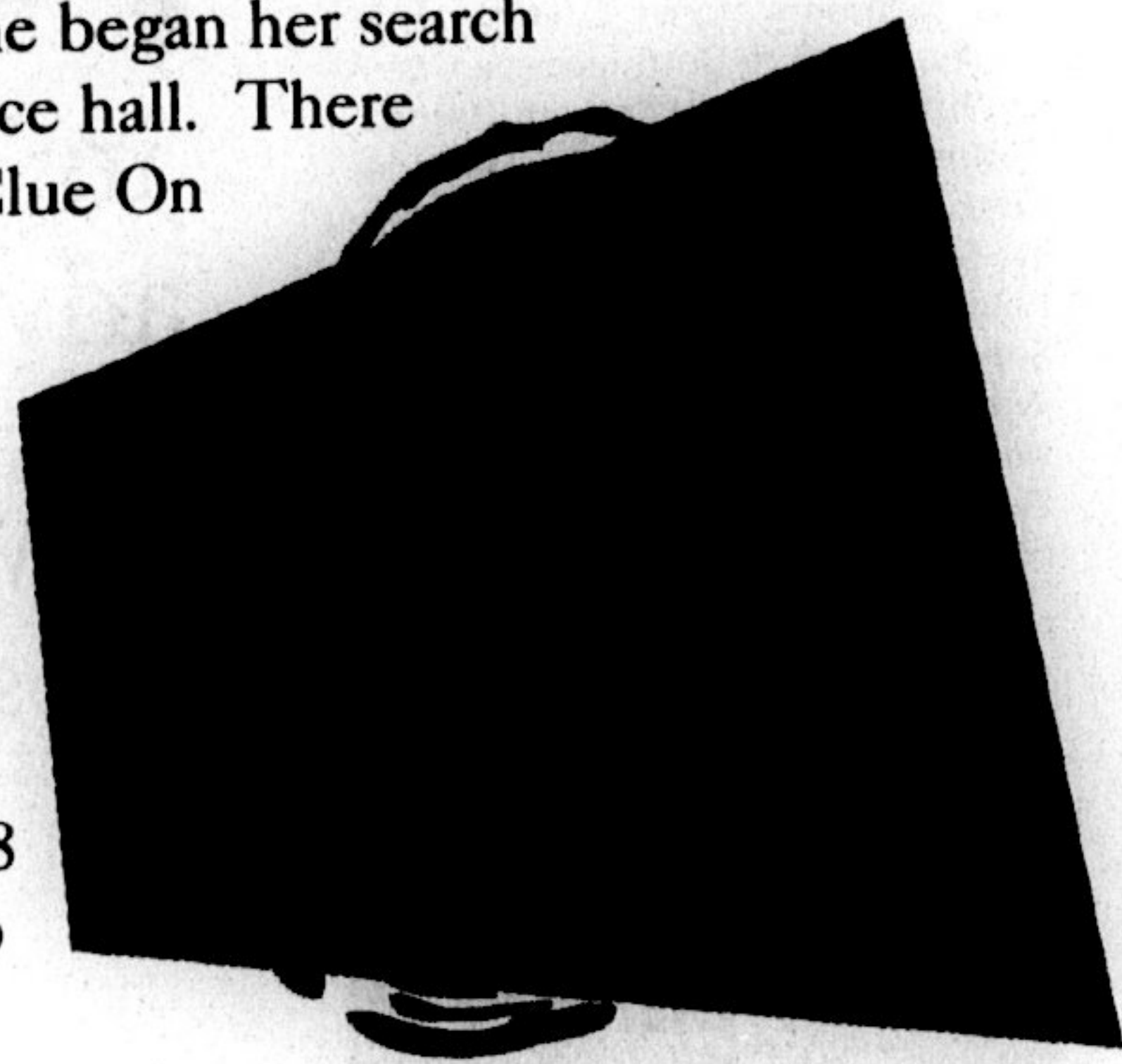
Get A Clue

The Scene: It was a dark and stormy night.

The Suspects: ECU students.

The Crime: Around Greenville, students sat alone in their residence halls and apartments tormented by loneliness, boredom, and questions.

The Investigation: One student had enough of all this so she began searching for clues. She began her search with the helpful folks in the residence hall. There she was directed to attend "Get A Clue On Life" sponsored by the Division of Student Life. Get A Clue, she learned, is an event at which student organizations and student service offices set up information tables on Wright Plaza to showcase their activities. Any interested student can drop by on September 8 between 10:30 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. to pick up information and win prizes.



The Criminal: Any student who misses Get A Clue.

Welcome To The Neighborhood!

The Tar River Neighborhood Association (TRNA)-north of campus, and The University Neighborhood Association (TUNA)-south and east of the campus wish to welcome ECU students to Greenville. TRNA and TUNA are the two neighborhood organizations surrounding the university. If you live in one of these neighborhoods your life will be intertwined with many other Greenville residents. We encourage your involvement in our organizations as we blend the lifestyles of working families, families with small children, retired families, single professionals, faculty, and staff. The objectives of these organizations are:

- * To promote neighborhood preservation so that a safe, healthy, pleasant and attractive residential community is maintained for all individuals.
- * To encourage a sense of community and respectful neighbor relations.
- * To help insure the maintenance of property values and better public services.

TRNA membership is \$5.00. Please mail your name, address and fee to TRNA, 107 S. Harding St., Greenville, NC 27858. The first hall meeting is September 30, 7:30 p.m. at St. Paul's Episcopal Church Fellowship Hall.

TUNA membership is also \$5.00 and can be mailed to TUNA, 2007 E. Fifth St., Greenville, NC 27858. TUNA board meetings are the first Wednesday of each month at 2007 East Fifth Street at 7:00 p.m.

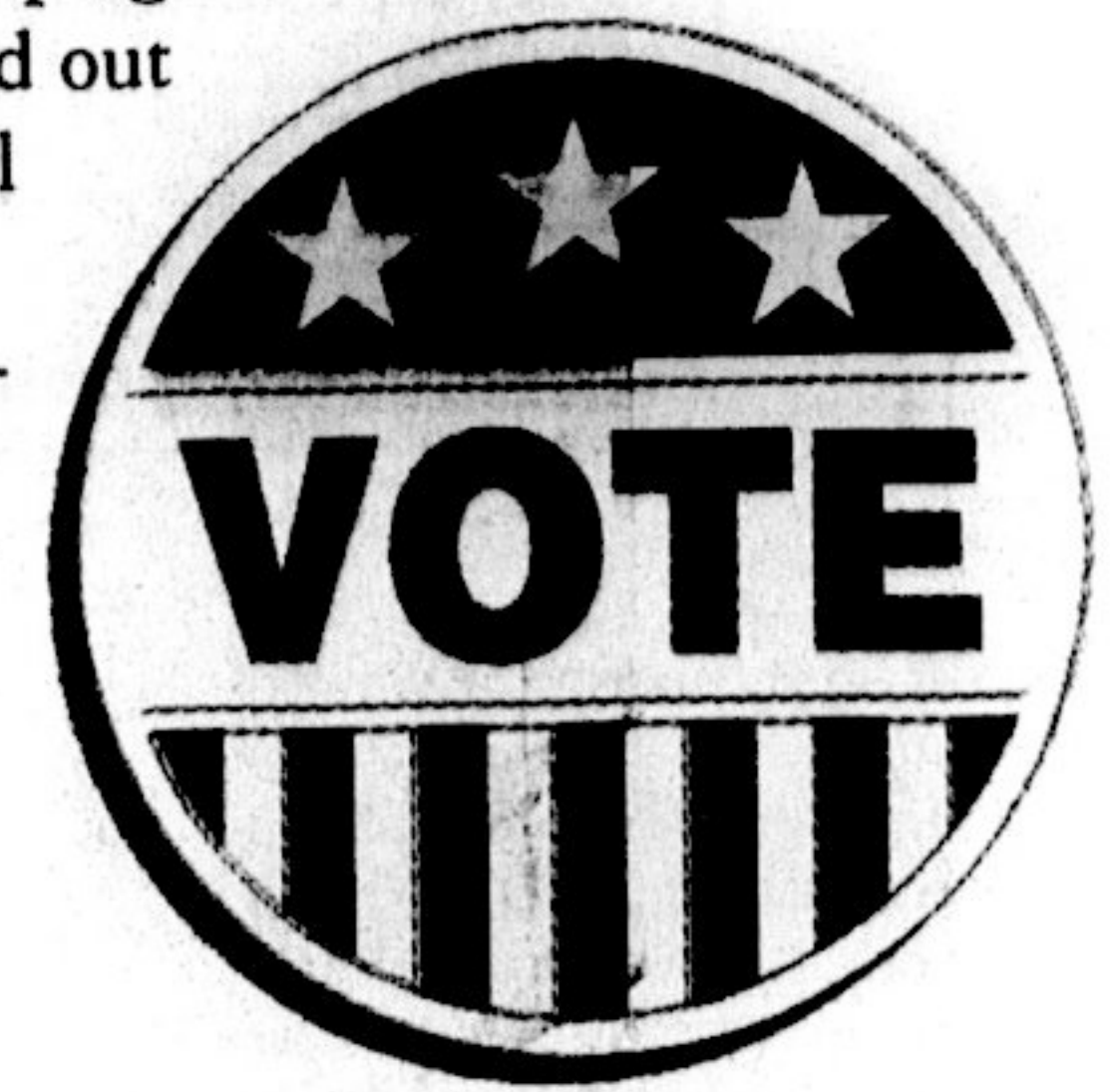
For more information on off-campus living call Adult and Commuter Student Services at 328-6881 to receive your free copy of "A Place of Your Own: A Guide For Off-Campus Living."

Joe Student Hits The Campaign Trail

If Dan Quayle and Al Gore can run for office, why can't I? I could be an SGA legislator or even Class President! Then I would have a say on all that student fee money. Maybe I could even have an intern under me. "Yes, Mr. President." "What can I do for you Mr. President?" "Will that be one lump or two in your tea, Mr. President?" "Happy Birthday, Mr. President."

It's not even that hard to get involved. All I have to do is to file the application form at the SGA office in Mendenhall Student Center and pay the \$10 refundable fee by September 3. Where am I going to get \$10 from before the first week in September? Mom! I'm sure she'd donate \$10 to help her adorable son run for President. Then it's time to campaign before the September 22 election. I can hang banners, hand out fliers and buttons, and make campaign promises. I'll promise students free parking, fight for a four-day school week, outlaw homework when there is a football game, and demand 15 cent wings at BW3's. I love this! I can leave my legacy at ECU.

After all, who is going to beat me? You? Do you think you have what it takes? Can you even remember to vote?



We Guarantee!

As ECU's food service provider, ARAMARK commits to providing quality food and service to EVERY customer; in fact, we guarantee it! ARAMARK maintains a "We Guarantee" program to insure that you are a satisfied customer. Our guarantee to you is "if you are not pleased with your dining experience, please let us know. We will gladly replace or refund your purchase." If at any time you have a concern about our food quality or customer service, inform a member of our management team immediately. We will work to improve the situation and offer an incentive for a more enjoyable visit in the future. Welcome to ECU and we look forward to serving you!

As campus life runs along each day, photographers will be out and about to capture us, the students, at our best. If you can identify yourself in any of our pictures, present yourself to MSC 100 (Student Leadership) and point "you" out to the staff there. Rewards will be on hand for your efforts, so keep a close eye on those pictures!



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