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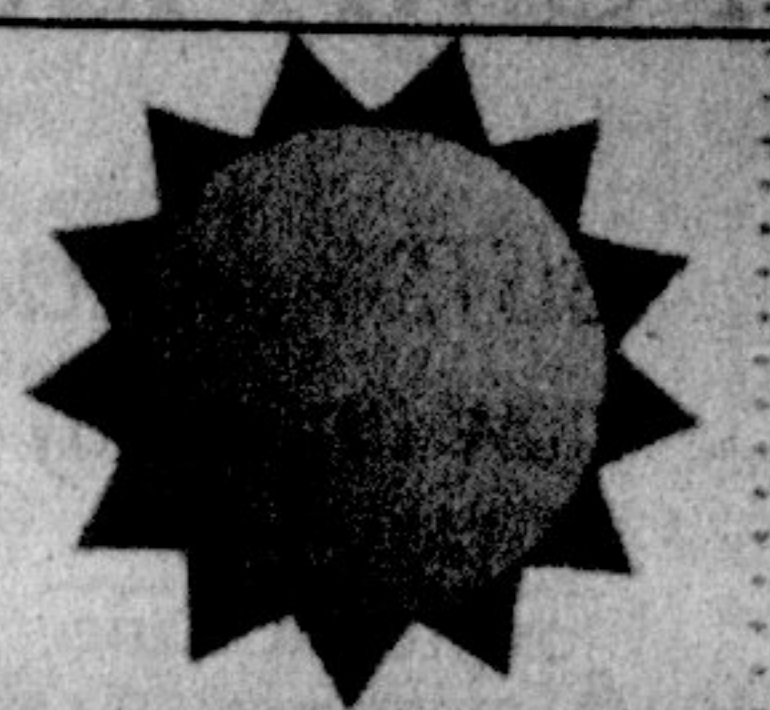
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TODAY'S WEATHER

Sunny, high of 66° and a low of 47°



THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 2000

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NEWS BRIEFS

IBM visit

Representatives from the IBM Corporation are on campus today to meet with seniors and alumni who are interested in knowing more about employment opportunities. They will be visiting the computer science department.

Tonight at 6 p.m. in Mendenhall, a reception for students and alumni will take place. Jim Westmoreland, director of ECU Career Services, said IBM has designated ECU as a "target school" because many of their employees are ECU graduates. He said eight of the 48 staff members at IBM's worldwide accounting office in the Research Triangle Park are ECU graduates.

Contact: Dr. James Westmoreland, Career Services, 328-6050.

Lady Pirates basketball

The Lady Pirates will play the women's team from James Madison at 7 p.m. on Friday, Feb. 11, in Williams Arena at Minges Coliseum.

Lecture

Mary France Berry, chairperson of the U.S. Civil Rights Commission will give a speech on Tues., Feb. 15. Her lecture, "Curbing the Exploitation of Racial Fear," will begin at 7 p.m. in Mendenhall Student Center.

Storyteller

Donald Davis, a featured storyteller at the Smithsonian Institution, will present a workshop for librarians and teachers. On Friday, Feb. 11, he will tell stories to a public audience at ECU.

The workshop, titled "Tall Tales and Homespun Yarns: A Day with Donald Davis, Master Storyteller," will begin 8 a.m. in Mendenhall Student Center and will continue until 3:15 p.m.

The public performance will take place at 7 p.m. on Friday, Feb. 11, in the auditorium of the Jenkins Fine Arts Center (School of Art) and is free.

For more information contact: Patricia McGee at 328-0427.

Clarinet recital

Nathan Williams, a faculty member at the School of Music, will perform on the clarinet at 8 p.m. Friday, Feb. 11, in the Fletcher Recital Hall.

Chamber music

Ara Gregorian, Christine Gustafson and John O'Brien of the School of Music faculty will perform at 3 p.m. on Sunday, Feb. 13, on the violin, flute and harpsichord at The Music House, 408 Martin Luther King Drive.

Poet Alicia Osteiker

At 3 p.m. on Tuesday, Feb. 15, at the Greenville Museum of Art, poet Alicia Osteiker will be performing "Meet the Writer." Later that night at 7 p.m., she will host a signing and reception, followed by a formal reading with a question and answer session.

ONLINE SURVEY

Vote online at tec.ecu.edu

Do you think ECU is doing a good job of promoting cultural diversity?

The results of last week's question: Is it fair for students to pay for building maintenance?

22% Yes 77% No

University professors design Web classes

Internet makes 'e-education' possible

Jennifer Brown
STAFF WRITER

Some ECU professors are using the Internet as a way to conduct class rather than just for research.

Teachers are beginning to post notes and assignments on the Web.

Dr. Dale Knickerbocker, a foreign language/literature teacher uses the World Wide Web in his classes.

Knickerbocker said that for his Spanish literature class, he has all of the assignments and study questions on his Web page, and for all of his foreign language classes he has a Web site for resources on more Spanish sources.

"The site includes links to interactive reading and grammar sites, a Spanish dictionary and thesaurus, Spanish pen pals, sites to study abroad, quizzes with explanations of wrong answers and links to Spanish TV, radio and newspapers," Knickerbocker said. "It's a good way to sharpen your Spanish skills."

Knickerbocker plans to have a graduate level course that is based entirely on-line. It will be a reading course, so students will not be required to speak the language. This is a class for people who will need to be able to read and understand Spanish textbooks for research purposes.

"There will be set times in a chat room where students can discuss things with me, or they can e-mail me," Knickerbocker said. "I will e-mail the assignments during a certain set class time and they will have a certain

period of time within which to respond."

Todd Finley, an English professor, is also in the process of developing on-line classes.

"I'm developing a DE [distance education] course called English 6510-Recent Trends in English Education," Finley said. "It targets teachers who want to earn their master's but might have difficulty traveling to campus or making time in their schedule."

"For those living far away from campus, a DE course makes sense. If a mother in Nag's Head has to travel three hours to sit through a three-hour class, then drive three hours back home, she's not going to have the time to do anything more than survive the experience," Finley said.

Finley said that in the future, a large percentage ECU students will participate in what he calls

"place-less/timeless education."

"The fossilized model of teaching students at the same time, three times a week doesn't make sense," Finley said.

However, a majority of ECU students say that they are not quite ready for the Internet to replace the classroom. According to an Internet-use survey

taken by The East Carolinian, 79 percent of students polled said that teachers should not hold class discussions via the Web. On

TEC INTERNET USE SURVEY

How often students use the Internet

66% 2-3 times per day
11% Once a day
16% 2-3 times per week
5% hardly ever

Is ECU using the latest Internet technology?

68% yes
27% no
5% no opinion

Do you like the idea of online classes?

16% yes
79% no
5% no opinion

the other hand, 84 percent did favor teachers posting class notes and assignments on the Internet.

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Taking proper precautions prevents alcohol poisoning

Programs work to promote awareness

Martina Clyburn
STAFF WRITER

In the past few months, there have been at least four reported cases of alcohol poisoning among ECU students.

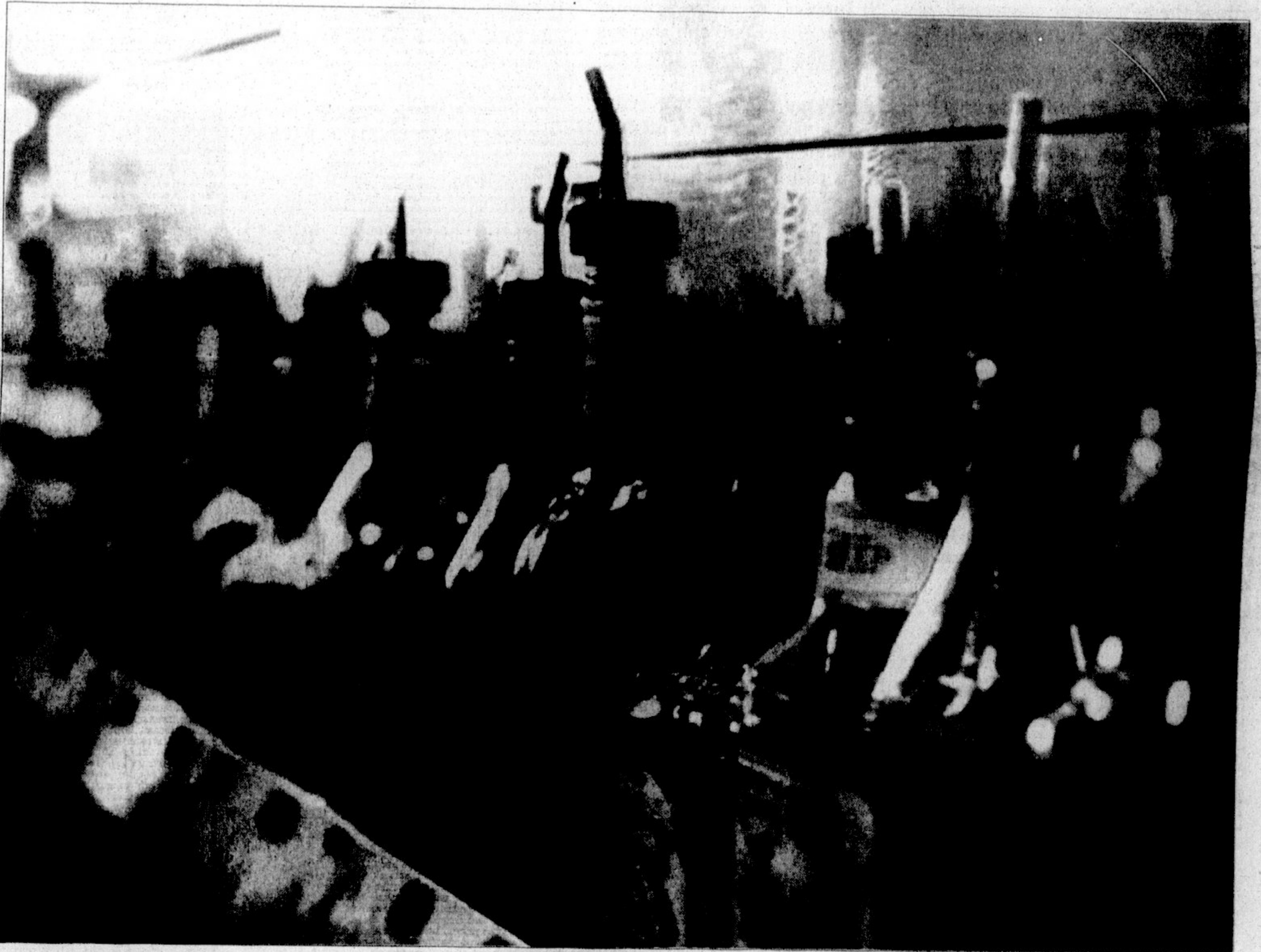
Alcohol poisoning, which can lead to death, occurs when the body has consumed an excessive amount of the intoxicant.

"The reason your body is unable to digest this is because alcohol is a depressant, so it depresses your breathing and your heart rate," said Dr. Betty Straub, associate dean and director of Health Promotions.

Symptoms that may occur include cold, clammy skin, slow respirations, vomiting while "sleeping" or passed out, oblivion to surroundings or location and unconsciousness or semi-unconsciousness.

Sargent Stephanie Griffin of the ECU Police Department reported that she has encountered several cases involving under-age students who have abused alcohol and have had to be reported to EMS.

According to Beth Credle, interim director of Health Edu-



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Alcohol poisoning can be prevented by being aware of your limits, drinking in moderation and using common sense. (photo by Emily Richardson)

Teacher suspended for posting Wiccan Web site

Action highlights privacy debate

Terra Steinbeiser
NEWS EDITOR

A high school teacher in Scotland County was suspended last month for posting a Web site that contained pictures of ritual nudity associated with the Wiccan religion.

Sheri Eicher, an 11th grade English teacher at Scotland High School, is the leader of a small sect called the WillowFyre Coven. The Web site that she and her husband maintained had photographs of fully nude Wiccans participating in a body painting ritual, known as "sky clad." Eicher was not one of those pictured.

Her suspension in January brought about a barrage of discussions and town meetings with the Scotland County Board of Education (SCBOE), area ministers, lawyers and citizens about the fine line between the private and public life of a school teacher.

On Jan. 27, the SCBOE released a statement saying that Eicher would not be returning to her job at Scotland High, despite the fact that

her most recent performance evaluations rate her as "above standard."

"The direct issue is settled to our satisfaction with regard to the school district and school district employees," said Richard Eicher, Shari Eicher's husband in a previous interview with the Laurinburg Exchange.

An agreement made by both parties maintained that neither the Eichers nor the school board would make any further comments about the issue to the media.

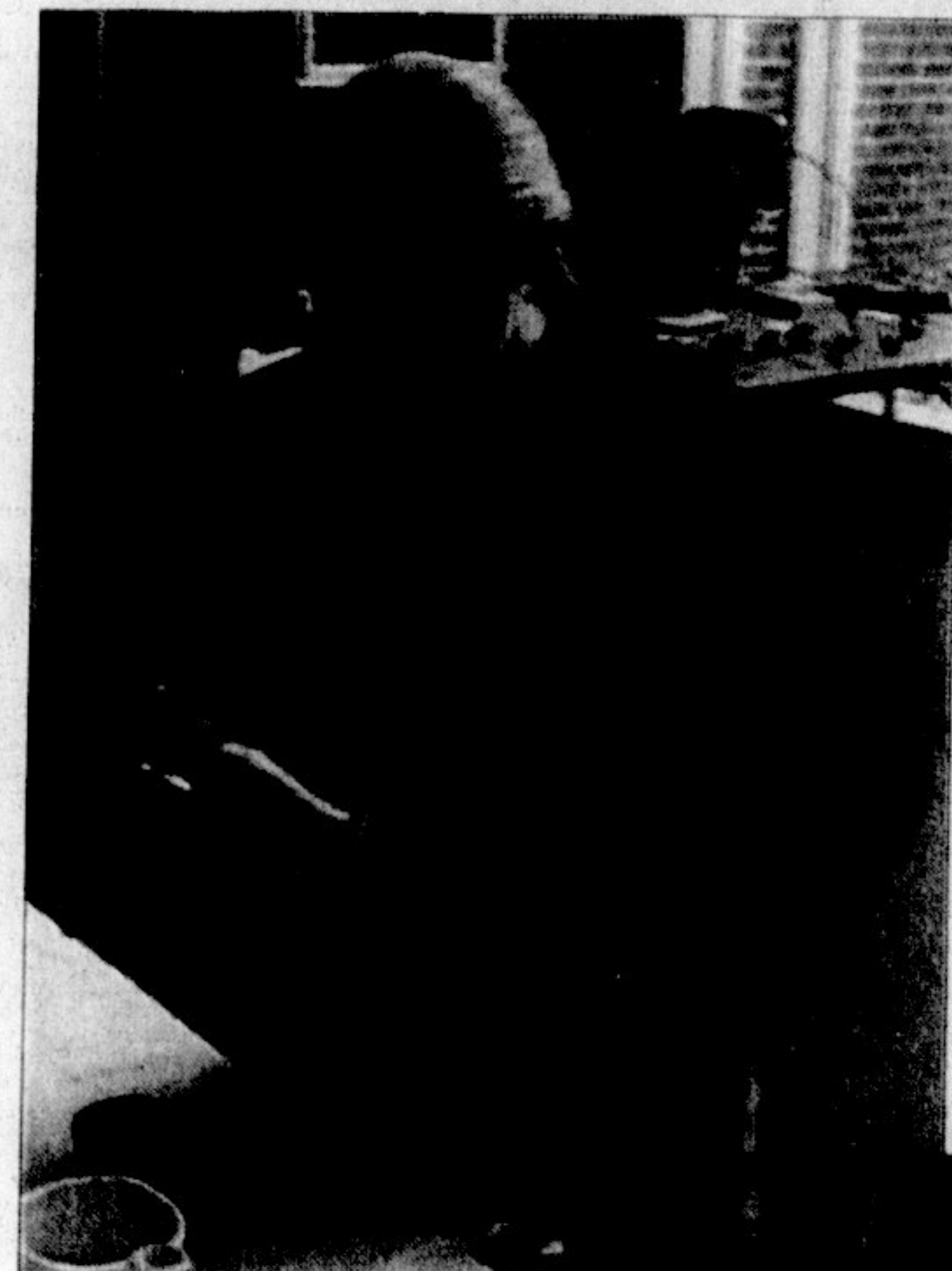
The issue of the dividing point between the public and private lives of those who have a direct influence on children is one that is hotly debated.

"There's quite a lot of law pertaining to what is personal and private for a teacher," said Dr. Parmalee Hawk, director of Teacher Education at ECU. "If what they do reduces their effectiveness in the classroom, then the school board has a right to make a suspension or a dismissal."

In 1984, the State Supreme Court made a decision pertaining to this issue. In the case of Faulkner vs. New Bern-Craven County Board of Education, the court upheld that "it is not inappropriate or unreasonable to hold our teach-

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Artful salesmanship



Senior Alyssa Blindauer examines a pitcher at the art sale on Wednesday.

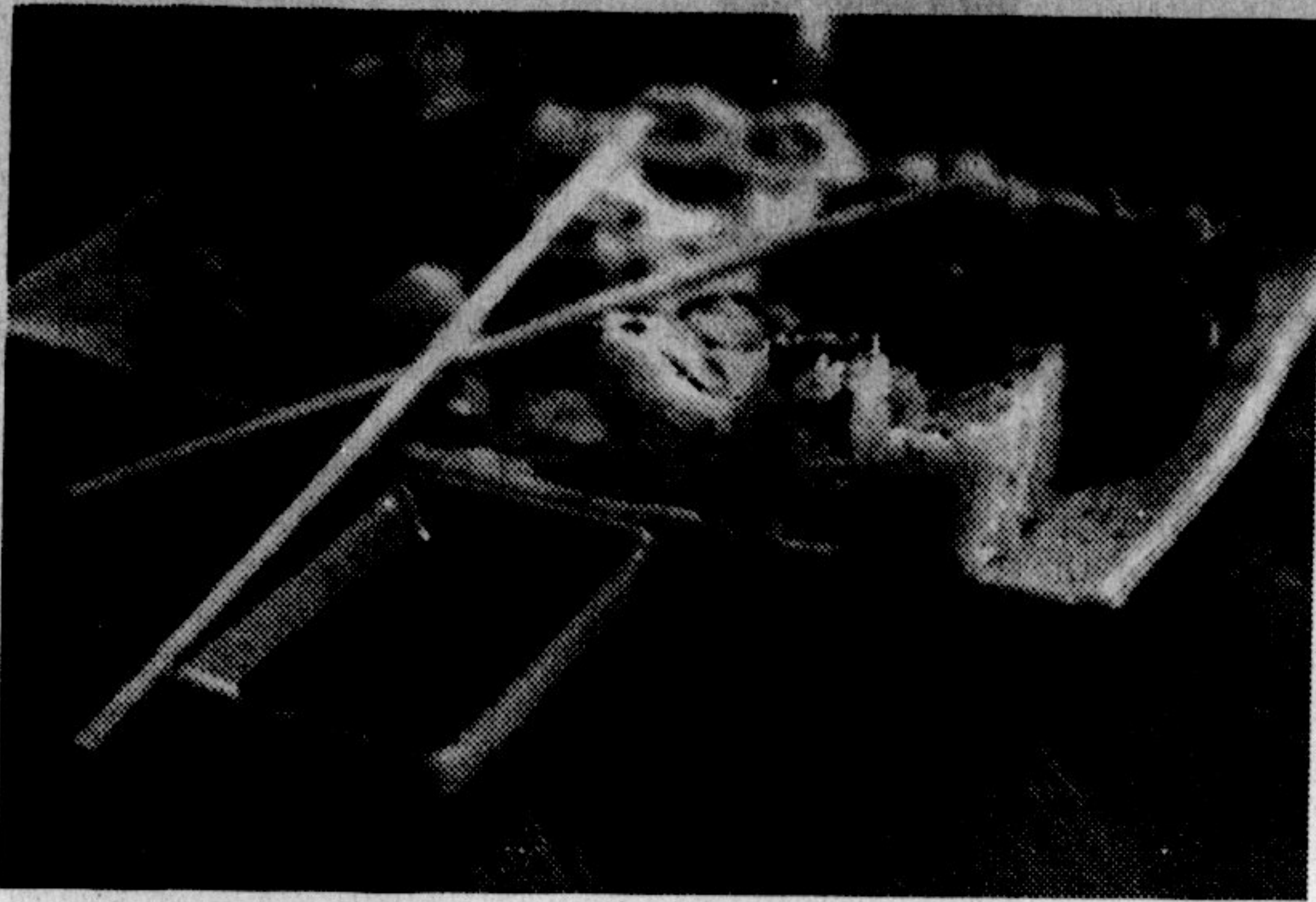
The Valentine's Day art sale in the Jenkins Fine Art Building started Wednesday and will continue through Friday. (photos by Garrett McMillan)



PCMH identifies healthful menu options

**BISTRO project
now underway**

**Josette LaChance
STAFF WRITER**



Pitt County has been chosen to serve as a pilot site for a program designed to identify healthful menu options at restaurants.

"The BISTRO project [Building Interest and Support for Healthy Restaurants] is a state-wide program that sends volunteer dietitians into restaurants in order to identify healthy meals served," said Kim Shovelin, a registered dietitian at Pitt County Memorial Hospital. "For a meal to be identified as healthy, it must consist of fruits, vegetables and grains, while maintaining low sodium and fat content."

Once a meal is identified as healthy, it will be identified by a symbol on the menu.

Also, the front door of the restaurants might hold a sign to let people know that they are participating in the program. The directors of the BISTRO project will also be distributing pamphlets that contain more detailed information about the program.

There are seven area restaurants that have decided to participate in the program. The restaurants are the Mesh Cafe, Staccato Cafe and Grill, Chef's 505, Upper Crust Jewish

Sushi is a low-fat food that is available at area restaurants. (photo by Emily Richardson)

Mother, Cicle's and the Cubbie's in Winterville. Shovelin said that any restaurant in the state can participate.

"The BISTRO project is an excellent idea because it will give people who must maintain a certain diet the chance to go out and have a nice meal," said Scott McClelland, owner of the Chef's 505. "I hope it flies. My restaurant is a good candidate for the program because it runs a pretty healthy menu already. When the dietitians came, they said they could use practically my whole menu."

Fred Sullivan, former owner of the Mesh Cafe, said he is a big advocate of the BISTRO project be-

cause he believes "we do not live in a healthy society."

"It will show that we're not just another restaurant, but will give our guests a healthy alternative" Sullivan said.

Some ECU students said that knowing which restaurants offer healthful menu choices will make a difference in where they chose to eat. "I'm concerned about fat content and staying healthy," said junior Daniel Hunt.

Freshman Jeanne Czarniecki agreed. "I would choose a meal that had received the sign if it sounded good because I like healthy foods," Czarniecki said.

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cation, the best way to prevent alcohol poisoning is to drink in moderation.

"You have to know your limit," Credel said. "If friends suspect a problem they should never leave that person alone. The best thing to do is to turn them on their side so they can vomit. If this doesn't happen, the victim is likely to choke."

There are many avenues on campus to educate students on alcohol and the effects of its abuse. The ECU PD also presents workshops at the beginning of the semester in the lobby of the residence halls.

Also, Straub hosts a two-hour workshop twice a week that is offered to any student or campus organization who is interested in learning about alcohol awareness. Straub said she is currently in the process of developing a video to encourage students to "stop the craziness" of alcohol abuse.

"It involves everyone," Straub said. "The Greeks and the athletes as well as the non-Greeks and non-athletes."

ECU is not the only university that is taking measures to prevent alcohol abuse. Michigan State University is partnering with the family of Bradly McCue, a junior at MSU who died on his 21st birthday from alcohol poisoning.

The family has created an organization called B.R.A.D. (Being Responsible About Drinking) which can be accessed at, "www.brad21.org." The site gives information about alcohol poisoning and allows you to send a card to a friend on their 21st birthday to remind them to drink in moderation.

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SGA NOTES

Announcements:

--SGA Members are intending to volunteer for the Special Olympics

--SGA mailed a sympathy card to Seton Hall University regarding the three males who died in the fire.

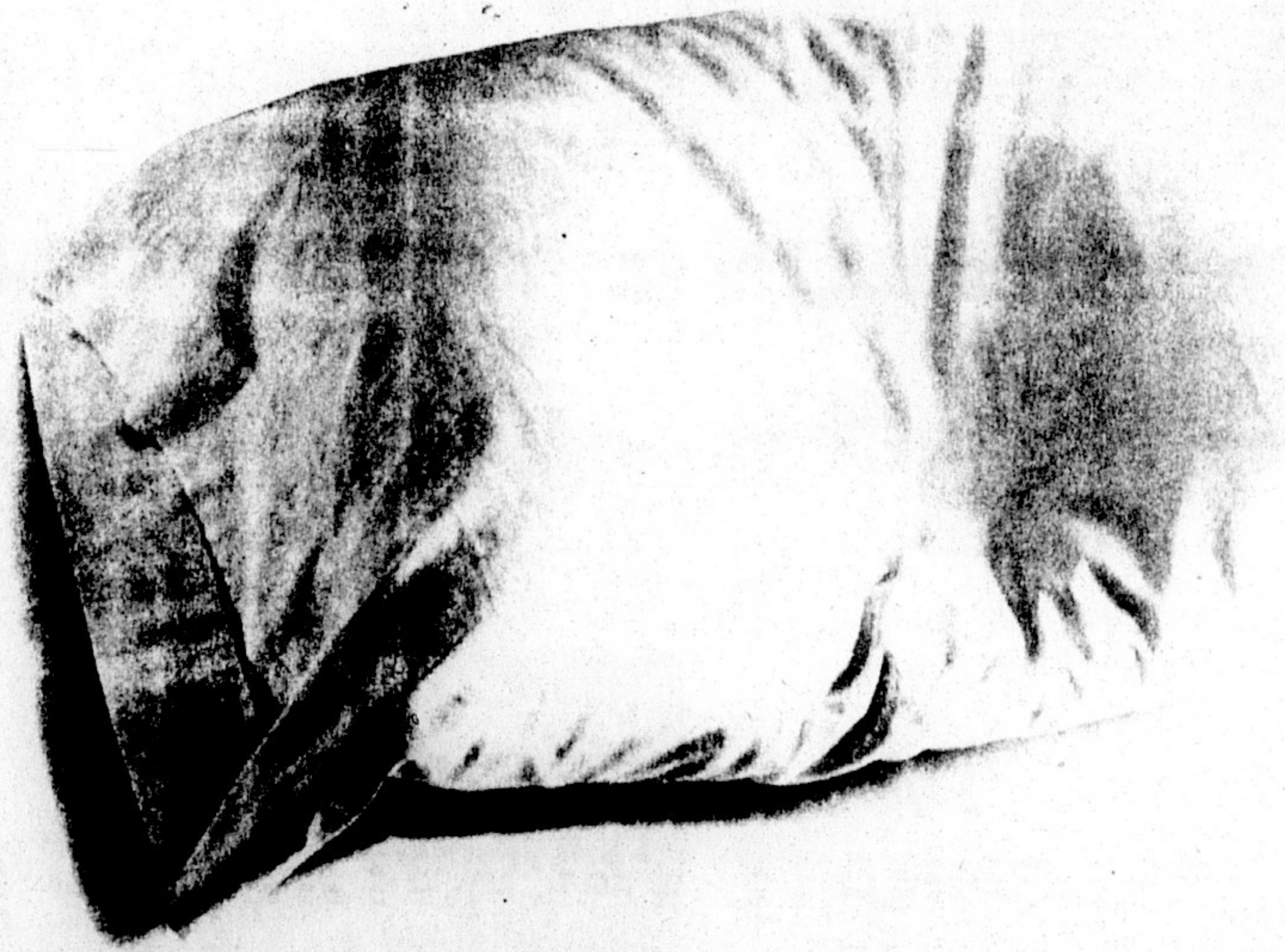
--There is a statewide SGA meeting in Chapel Hill this weekend. Five members from SGA will be attending.

--There will be a Penny War Feb. 14-Mar. 10 winners will be treated to a Bowl, Meet and Eat party.

--Cliff Webster will be at a Board of Government meeting this weekend to discuss tuition increase.

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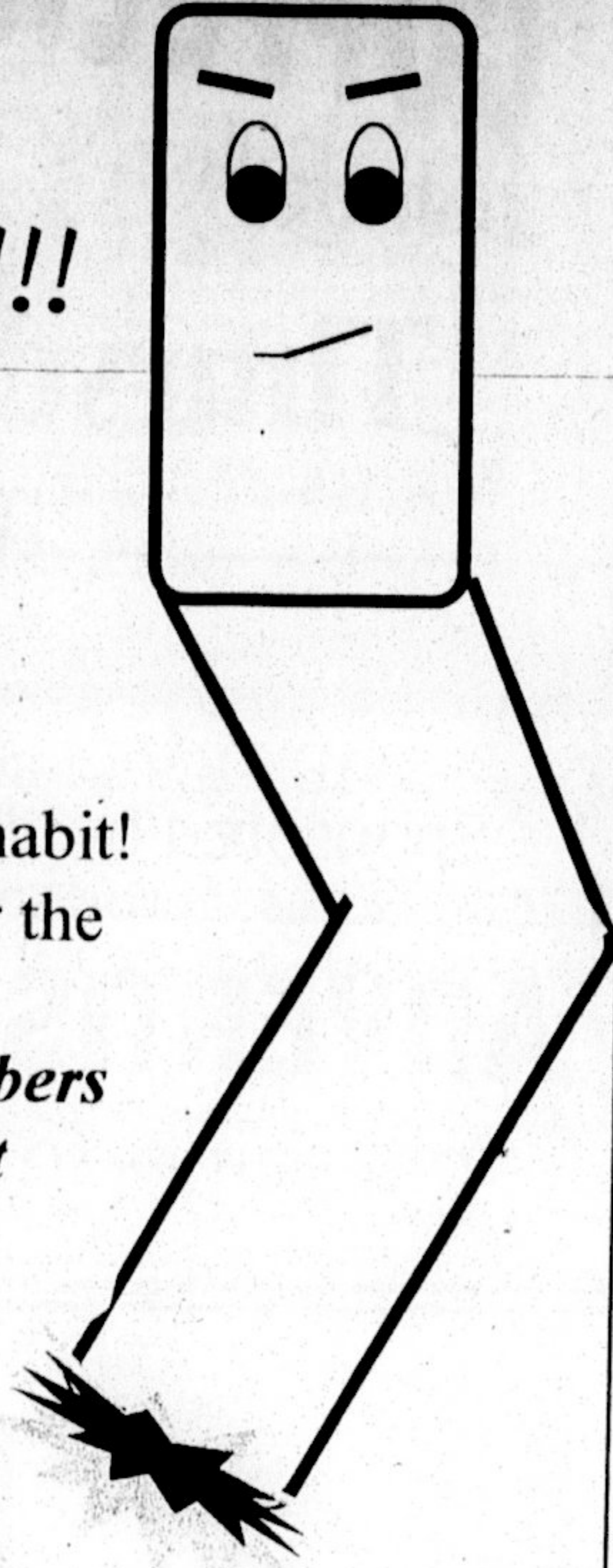
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ACROSS OTHER CAMPUSES

Duke University—Who wants to be a millionaire? Duke University Trinity senior Drew Fine does, and he'll get the chance to win it all on the ABC game show this week.

After calling in to the 800-number and acing several rounds of trivia questions, Fine won a chance to be on "Who Wants to Be a Millionaire;" his airdate will be tonight at 8 p.m. or Thursday at 9 p.m.

"It was a whim," he said Friday. "Now I'm going to New York."

The hit game show, which has been a ratings bonanza for ABC, features 10 new players every day from around the country. They compete against each other to ascend to the seat opposite host, Regis Philbin.

Once in the "hot seat," the contestant must answer 15 multiple-choice questions to win the million. He gets three "lifelines"—which enable him to poll the audience, call a friend or eliminate two of the four answer choices.

The Chronicle learned Monday night that Fine had made it into the "hot seat," and that he had reached the \$8,000 round when he called Pratt senior Gabe Tsuboyama to help him answer a question.

That question—What word is consistently spelled backward in the novel *The Shining*?—stumped Tsuboyama too. He suggested the wrong answer, but Fine apparently disregarded his lifeline and guessed correctly.

Fine could not be reached for comment on his final winnings from the game show.

Fine said his subject strengths are sports and geography, and his weaknesses are books, authors and '60s and '70s pop culture. For the latter subjects, Fine can call on some Dukies to help.

"My lifelines are two of my friends from Wayne Manor, my dad, a professor at Duke, Martin Lewis, and one of my friends who's a girl," he said.

University of Columbia—Nearly five years after Harvard was rocked by the deaths of two students in an apparent murder-suicide, Columbia University is trying to deal with the same shock.

On Saturday, a 19-year-old sophomore was killed, followed hours later by the suicide of the suspect, her former boyfriend.

Kathleen A. Roskot, a star lacrosse player, was found dead early Saturday morning in her dorm room. Her throat had been slashed.

Later that day, Thomas G. Nelford, a Columbia dropout and alleged cocaine addict known for his artistic ability, threw himself in front of a Manhattan subway train. He was found carrying Roskot's wallet.

According to Virgil Renzulli, Columbia's associate vice president for Public Affairs, Friday night's security tapes show Roskot and Nelford entering her dorm together. Nelford also left his identification card with the dorm's security guard.

A New York Police Department lieutenant told *The Crimson* that detectives have no doubt that Nelford killed Roskot. The case was closed Saturday with Nelford's suicide, the lieutenant said.

Renzulli said the killing was Columbia's second in less than three years. The other murder was also allegedly committed by an acquaintance of the victim.

"Any student death is a tragedy," he said. "This is just a terrible loss."

Renzulli also said that Columbia is taking steps to help students deal with Roskot's and Nelford's deaths. He said administrators began the process by informing all students of the murder-suicide via e-mail messages.

"The university has made counselors available throughout the weekend for any students," Renzulli said. "There have also been meetings for people in her dorm, and a hotline has been opened."

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ers to a higher standard of personal conduct, given the youthful ideals they are supposed to foster and elevate."

Hawkins said that students in the education program are reminded in classes and before being admitted into a teacher education program the importance of keeping a difference between church and state.

"You have to look at the situation from this stand-

point: did it have an effect on how she was with the students? If the students no longer have any respect for her, then yes, that's a problem," Hawkins said. "But if they [students] didn't know about it, and I suspect many of them didn't, it should not be an issue."

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Republican leaders urge gay marriage question at meeting

BRATTLEBORO, Vt. (AP)—Republican leaders in the Vermont House and Vermont Senate are urging towns to ask voters for their thoughts on gay marriage at March town meeting.

House Leader Walter Freed, R-Dorset, and Senate Leader John Bloomer, R-Rutland, wrote letters to towns across the state suggesting they include ballot questions on Town Meeting Day.

They suggested that two questions be put to voters: "Do you support same-sex marriage?" And, "Do you support the creation of a domestic partnership law by the Vermont Legislature which would allow same-sex couples the same basic benefits as married heterosexual couples presently have?"

The Legislature is considering those questions in the wake of the Supreme Court's ruling that gay and lesbian couples should be given all the rights and benefits of marriage. The court left it to the Legislature to determine how to provide those rights.

The two Republicans said that the request was not made to support any one particular position, but "to allow the Vermont public a chance to weigh in on this issue on an individual basis."

Several towns already have put the issue on their ballots. Among the larger communities seeking voters'

views are Hartford and Rutland City. Rockingham was the first town to decide on a ballot measure.

Now, it appears that Brattleboro may follow suit. Town officials scheduled a discussion at a select board meeting after receiving the letter from Freed and Bloomer.


The board will vote on Tuesday whether to include the matter on the 2000 town meeting warning, which would include a town-wide secret ballot vote.

Robert Fagelson, chairman of the Brattleboro Select Board, said Sunday that he fully supported putting the item on the ballot and he predicted Brattleboro "would be one of the few towns" in the state to endorse the controversial issue.

"I don't have a problem with it at all," said Fagelson, who said he would have a problem adding a third question for Brattleboro voters—whether voters supported a constitutional amendment defining marriage as a union between a man and a woman.

"I don't like constitutional amendments in the first place," said Fagelson. "And I would be opposed to it."

Fagelson noted that when the town endorsed domestic partnerships for its town employees, giving benefits coverage to a town employee's same-sex partner he didn't hear a word against it.



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OUR VIEW

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The case of Sherri Eicher and her dismissal from her job as an 11th-grade English teacher raises many questions. The Scotland County High School teacher who was dismissed for the content of a Wiccan Web site she ran caused many to ask "Should teachers be held to a higher standard than everyone else and should what a teacher does out of class affect her employment?" Many people would say yes.

Obviously, nobody wants a teacher breaking laws or setting a bad example for children. However, it is when you get closer to the center of the moral spectrum that the answers to those questions become less clear. If certain aspects of Eicher's case had been different, a quick and clean answer to the problem could be had.

If Eicher had taught second grade, there would probably be more support for her firing. Likewise, if she had been a college professor, would her decisions outside of the classroom garner as much attention? Probably not. But this case does raise the issue of equality—how can we set concrete standards if no one can agree about what the proper definition of decency should be. And, should anyone be trying to answer that question on a public level in the first place?

A teacher does work with the youth of the community and they do shape the views of their students. However, at what point does the in-class life end and the out-of-class life begin?

Another thing that makes the Eicher case so sticky is the exact content and purpose of the site. The Web site is dedicated to the Wiccan religion. The controversial images depicted a religious ceremony. This presents a constitutional quandry for the school board. Is the Web site protected by the First Amendment? Should her private life be private? Is the Web site so threatening?

The Eicher case proves that a situation that at first seems open and shut can have other aspects that can cloud a decision.

OPINION COLUMN

Those drugs are killing you, stupid!

Patrick McMahon
OPINION COLUMNIST

Over this past weekend, I viewed some little images that have left an indelible mark upon my impressionable little brain. After a long, hard night downtown having a good time with my sister and some of her friends, I waited patiently in front of Cubbies for my ride to come and pick up me and my friends.

It just so happened that this very night was the holy grail of Rave parties at the Sports Pad. Literally hundreds upon hundreds of people lined the streets for nearly a block and a half so they could take part in what I'm sure must have been a helluva party. But what struck me so profoundly was the manner in which these people had prepared themselves for the event. I saw a cross-section of ravers, from the regular guy in cargo pants and American Eagle shirt to the girl with see-through glass platform shoes and pink hair with so many piercing that it would take her hours to get through an airport metal detector.

The scene disturbed me. Make no bones about it, I like raves. The lights and beating music can put you in some sort of trance that is truly a treasure in its own right, but I draw the line when I see people smearing Vicks' Vapo-Rub on the inside of surgeon's masks so they can inhale the fumes to get a rush. What does Homer Simpson say when he does something stupid? DOH!

The same people doing this are already rolling (for you professors and parents out there, this means taking ecstasy.) Now, I don't claim to be the smartest guy in the world but mixing huffing and X can't be the most beneficial thing you can do to your body. That brings me to the whole drug thing. WHY? WHY? WHY?

I was always raised to believe that the body is a temple that God gave us to preserve and experience. Maybe I'm not perfect in taking care of my body, but drugs just seem stupid. Most people out there have

done some herb and that plant is one thing, but cocaine? Special K? What are you thinking? These drugs are slowly killing you from the inside where you cannot see it.

How does the old saying go? What you can't see can't hurt you? DOH! Maybe this isn't comparable but right now, my hearing is slowly deteriorating. A decade of abuse by ear infections and obscenely loud music have made them about 65 percent scar tissue and the fluid build up is nothing short of amazing. I'm just two decades old but if the hearing doesn't get better, I'm looking towards a life of making Miracle Ear my Jesus Christ.

All those drugs are doing the same thing to your bodies. They slowly eat away at you until one day you realize you can't hear certain tones and that cd you love so much doesn't quite sound the same. No wait, that's me. Drugs still suck though. Why take a drug when you can do the same thing naturally.

I don't know about you but when some urban, jungle or techno comes on, it just lifts me away into a pulsating world full of bumblebees and candy canes. I can probably imitate any drug in existence by just training my mind to do it naturally. Try it some time. Instead of rolling, just keep dancing. While dancing, tilt your head back and close your eyes. Let your whole body become one with the sounds. You'll find that after just a few seconds, you'll be able to predict the changes in the music and go with the flow, entirely without drugs.

You may not believe it, but I would give my own life to ensure that all of you lived to be a hundred so you could experience the joys of life without having to spend money on rehab and methadone. I care about each and every one of you and it pains me to no end to see you killing yourselves like this.

Drugs ain't cool folks. I'm not trying to be an over-protecting dad or nothing but just turn it down next time. The more you don't do it, the easier it is to live without it.

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OPINION COLUMN

Vote Larado/Bastard for 2000 President

Mark Larado
POLITICAL COLUMNIST

Quite frankly, this year's election could just be the most boring ever. Watching the campaigns is a lot like watching the amateurs play at the AT&T Pebble Beach Golf Pro Am. You don't know the names of the old amateurs playing, but a lot of people clap for them, so they must be famous.

To spice up this year's presidential race, we need to abolish the law that snuffs out the young idealists from the presidential race, like *NSYNC. That rule is in Article Six of the Constitution and firmly states that the president must be a minimum of 35 years of age. It also states, "No shoes, No shirt, No elected president" (sorry candidates from West Virginia).

So, I'm pushing for a petition that will overturn this oppressive law, and while I'm doing that I might as well throw my hat into the topless mud wrestling ring for the presidency, too.

Here's how an interview between a distinguished journalist (Katie Couric, for example) and me might go.

Question: Why should we vote for you for president?

Answer: As president, I will return the "wholesomeness" and "dignity" to the presidency that was absurdly marred in the last term. I will focus my campaign on education and health care reform, while battling the evils of censorship.

Q: Really?

A: Of course not, unless you find legalizing prostitution "wholesome."

Q: Who will be your running mate?

A: You may know my running mate from the entertainment industry. He is widely known and could be considered a household name. My running mate for vice president is Ol' Dirty Bastard. Some of you may also know him as Big Baby Jesus or Rikers Island inmate #45876.

Q: How could Ol' Dirty Bastard be qualified for a position of high office.

A: I thought you might ask that question. I assure you he is very qualified because he can drink just about enough and has had as many run-ins with the law as any Kennedy has had.

Q: What is your view on gun control?

A: Although my running mate is pro-uzi, I feel I cannot express my views about gun control freely because we have marines and a clock tower here at ECU.

Q: I've noticed that the Republican and Democratic primaries have already started, so this means that you will have to run as a third party. What party will that

be? The Reform party perhaps?

A: The Reform party is already filled. The likes of Buchanan and Trump are fiercely battling it out now for one percent of the American vote come Nov. 2. So with this knowledge, Ol' Dirty Bastard (ODB) and I held a crusade to find the right political party that will back us up, with a little help from Politics.com.

From our research, we've found that there are oodles of political parties out there. Many have a unique platform that sets themselves apart from the typical "meat and potatoes" parties, like Republicans.

For instance, we found the Pansexual People Party (PPP). Their credo is "The primary purpose of the PPP is to promote positive political progress and partnership through prurient propaganda. Their platform includes budget reform, anti-censorship and most importantly, the PPP is pro-transvestitism. Along with their views on gun control and war reform, you can also find a guide to the multiple male orgasm on their Web site. I wonder what Steve Forbes' view on the multiple male orgasm is? He always looks a little tense.

Of course we came upon numerous marijuana reform parties like the Pot Party. I find this party interesting because they have two candidates already running for nomination. I'm voting for Nathaniel Brown because not only does he agree with my views on gun control, but he received "High Times" Bong-of-the-Month award in 1994.

ODB and I didn't look at some political parties' Web sites because of their oxymoronic titles—like the Freedom Socialist Party or the Democratic Socialist Party. How could you be free or democratic, if you have to wait in a line for your state-rated bread every week? Also there is the Utopian Anarchist Party. If you vote for an anarchy, wouldn't that still be considered a democracy?

ODB and I came to the conclusion that the majority of the parties have already given out nominations for the presidency. In order for a successful Larado/Bastard 2000 run for the White House, we had to resurrect an inactive party that we both agreed on: the Free Pony and Ice Cream Party. In '96, their candidate for president was a parakeet named Bob. They have scientific research that backs their claim that millions of Americans love ponies and ice cream. If ODB and I joined this party we would be shoo-ins if we stick to party promises.

So vote for Larado/Bastard and every family can receive a free pony (weight and color at our discretion) and free ice cream on every third Friday (ice milk and fat free also available).

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OPINION COLUMN

University faculty, staff should get dibs on parking

Chris Sachs
OPINION COLUMNIST

I try to stay away from articles about parking because the situation is old news, it sucks, and it is not likely to change. Students are willing to yell about parking to anyone who will listen—and I try to never listen. But as of recently, professors have been expressing their opinions about parking and all the hassles they have to endure. We students are not the only ones getting hosed.

I refuse to buy a parking sticker. I know spaces are rare and I don't want to stress myself out driving 45 minutes to find a spot. I park far away and I walk. I used to park at Darryl's but the situation there has gotten out of control. Students have found ways to pack cars in there in such a way that they defy fundamental laws of physics and geometry. So I gave up. I walk long distances and I don't mind anymore. It allows me slow down and gives me time to think. But that's me. Now with all the construction and decision-making going on about parking, professors are being forced to walk long distances as well.

Now the thought of some of my professors having to park in Kinston and trudging it to work is a fun fantasy to have, but in reality it's unfair. How would you like to get hired to work when you graduate and be told you have to park a 15 minute walk away to get to work? You would hate it and you would complain. And that is what ECU professors have done. But the complaints have fallen upon deaf ears. That is because they were yelling at the decision maker's cars while they drove by them in the street on the way to their cushy parking spaces.

Camus had it all wrong about the myth of Sisyphus. The benighted king of Corinth endlessly rolling that rock up a hill in Hell is not symbolic of life, just parking at ECU. Surely there is some answer that we can all agree to.

Now I know students will hate me on this matter, but hey, that's why it's an opinion column. I think the students should have to park far away, walk or take the shuttles to classes, not professors. Now before you all burn me in effigy and call my mother

vulgar names hear me out.

As of today they're about 1,600 parking spaces on campus. There about 1,100 faculty and about 500 staff employed here. There are just enough parking spaces for each and every person that works for ECU. I think the professors should have full and complete access to all those spots. It's the professors and staff that have to be here all day for their jobs. Students get to go home for lunch, take off and do some errands for a few hours, or maybe have only one or two classes, whatever. But professors and staff hold longer hours that they must be here, many have to stay late and many have to come in at night to do work.

But the upper administration wants the professors to take a proposed shuttle service for off campus parking. Parking and Transportation Services (PTS), in their infinite stupidity, have worked with the upper administration and hired Chance Management, a consultation firm, to study the parking problem.

What a waste of money. We have a campus filled with brilliant teachers and researchers who can easily solve this problem with a little brain storming for free, yet we now have to pay for some biased firm to come and tell us what they already decided: A parking shuttle is what the school needs. This idea falls somewhere in between worth-little and worthless. It is a logistical nightmare and it will never work.

PTS has answered professors concerns about late nights when the shuttle services stop. They say that they will be able to call and be picked up. They have given an option of three numbers professors can call for rides, the last one being the police. The police! Yeah, call the police to get a chauffeur-driven ride to your parked car two miles away. That makes sense. Some girl is getting gang raped by Klan biker members and Mango the cop is away driving some nervous professor back to their Honda.

Now I know not all professors work late (some barely work at all), but if this school is to really grow and be taken seriously, then they darn well should ... —This column will continue in next week's TEC.—

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Jazz's swingin' beat, intense rhythms enchant Greenville

Interest growing in America's own music

Jennifer Brown
STAFF WRITER

As the sounds of "Spain" float out of the Fletcher Music Building one Friday afternoon, Carroll Dashiell, director of jazz studies, rehearses with the ECU jazz band.

Many Greenville residents have begun listening to jazz, and the popularity of the music shows in



An alto saxophone is often featured in jazz band. (photo from the World Wide Web)

the number of business that now feature jazz as well as the increased profit margin for those that do.

In the past year, The Jewish Mother has started featuring jazz musicians. Staccato's and Mesh Cafe also feature jazz groups on a regular basis. The residents of Greenville have been exposed to more jazz than ever now because of these non-ECU affiliated businesses opening their doors to the music. Staccato's business improves when the bands come.

"Our business does seem to increase a little when we have the jazz bands come," said Eva McKeel, as-

stant manager at Staccato's. "We have had Paul's Tardiss, Adrian Duke, We Three and Joe Distesano perform and on an average night they come we will probably have a hundred people, which is every table being full."

Mitch Butler, a graduate student of jazz studies, wants to play professionally before teaching jazz. Butler said the jazz studies staff has had a lot to do with the increase of interest in jazz music.

"Mr. D. and faculty do a lot of playing around town and they really work with the kids," Butler said. Dashiell says that the growing



Trumpets utilize a wide variety of pitches in play. (photo from the World Wide Web)

interest in jazz comes from students exploring their musical tastes.

"We have more interested stu-

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FEATURES BRIEFS

Time for the old lame pick up lines ... it's almost Valentine's Day, you know!



1. Excuse me, but I just lost my phone number. Could I have yours?

2. Hey, sweetie, do you have some (enter nationality here, ie—Cuban) in you? Would you like some?



3. Are you tired? You should be, because you've been running through my mind all day.



4. Do you have a quarter? I told my mom I would call home when I met the woman/man of my dreams.



5. Somebody better give heaven a call because an angel has gotten loose and is standing before me.



6. Girl/Boy, milk is certainly doing your body good.

7. Girl/Boy, I love your (article of clothing) ... it'll look so much better at the end of my bed.

8. If I flip a coin, what are my chances of getting head?

9. If I could rearrange the alphabet, I would put "U" and "I" together.

10. If I followed you home, would you keep me?



11. Hey baby, what's your sign?



12. Where have I been all of your life?

13. Hey, how did you do that?! (they say "what?") Look so good!

14. You look so good, I could put you on a plate and sop you up with a biscuit.



15. Baby you must be a broom, because you just swept me off my feet.



Celebrate day of love in nontraditional ways

Valentine's Day began as fertility festival

Susan Wright
FEATURES EDITOR

In 469 AD, Valentine's Day was set to commemorate the death of St. Valentine, the patron saint of lovers and epilepsy. Now, people celebrate the holiday in a variety of ways.

In Greenville, there are activities for both singles—who aren't sitting home and eating Ben & Jerry's—and couples.

St. Valentine died in 269 AD for protecting Christian martyrs after torture. He died at the hands of Emperor Claudius II on Feb. 14. Originally, St. Valentine was only the patron saint of epilepsy, but the Catholic Church incorporated Roman traditions into his memorial day.

On Feb. 15, the Romans celebrated Lupercalia, a day of hom-

age to the wolf deity Lycaeus. She was the mother of Romulus and Remus, the founders of Rome. This day was a fertility festival, and the Catholic Church added the pagan tradition into the observance of St. Valentine's Day. Thus, St. Valentine became the patron saint of lovers as well. Since Valentine's Day was incorporated into the calendar, people have used it as a time to celebrate those who they love, especially their significant other.



Jennifer Williams, sophomore, takes her best shot at the pins. (photo by Emily Richardson)

Traditionally, a person spends the evening with loved ones on Valentine's Day. Lonestar Steakhouse, a popular restaurant in Greenville, has double the business on this night than a typical evening.

"On average, Monday sales are about \$5,000," said Jimi Woodruff, Lonestar manager. "On Valentine's Day, we expect sales to be about \$11,000. The wait will only be 30 minutes to one hour, however."

There are alternatives to the traditional dinner date, however. At AMF East Carolina Lanes, there is a Monday night special and a relaxed atmosphere that can draw a crowd.



"On holidays, [business] tends to pick up," said Bruce DePlanche, assistant manager at AMF East Carolina Lanes. "There will be the standard Monday night special on Valentine's Day. There is a fun atmosphere here. You can come and sit down without worrying that you may be sitting next to an undesirable."

Bowling is both a group and couple activity and it offers some competition as well as a game to play.

"A bit of friendly rivalry

adds a little spice to life," DePlanche said.

If you don't want to be alone on Valentine's Day, and there is no special somebody in your life, go out with a friend like ECU alumnus Chris Shook is planning to do.

"I am going to Barnes & Noble on Valentine's Day with a good friend," Shook said. "Nobody wants to sit home alone on Valentine's Day."

Whether you choose to celebrate the fertility festival in a traditional manner or you go bowling for a good time, there are many options for Monday night.

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Erin Martin, junior, browse Barnes & Noble while others drink beverages and converse with friends, regardless of the day. (photo by Garrett McMillian)

Fiery recipes heat up cold February nights

CHILLED RED PEPPER-TOMATO SOUP
2 large red bell peppers
6 5 1/2-ounce cans tomato juice
1 garlic clove
2 green onions, minced
1/4 cup minced fresh basil
Plain nonfat yogurt

Preheat broiler. Holding bell pepper at stem, cut into 3 flat pieces. Discard stem end, core and seeds. Repeat with remaining pepper. Place pieces skin side up on broiler-proof pan. Broil bell peppers until skin is charred and blackened, about 8 minutes. Transfer bell peppers to plastic bag. Twist bag to seal and let stand until peppers are cool. (Can be prepared 1 day ahead; chill.)

Peel peppers and cut into thirds. Combine with tomato juice and garlic in blender. Puree until smooth. Stir in green onions and basil. Season generously with pepper. Refrigerate overnight.

Garnish with yogurt and serve. Serves six.

TOMATO SALAD WITH RED ONION AND HERBS
Can be prepared in 45 minutes or less.

1 tablespoon fresh lemon juice
1 tablespoon Sherry vinegar (available at specialty foods shops and some supermarkets)
1 teaspoon Dijon-style mustard
1 garlic clove, minced
1/2 teaspoon sugar
1/4 cup olive oil (preferably extra-virgin)
2 1/2 pounds (about 6 medium) tomatoes, cored and cut into 1/2-inch-thick slices
1/2 cup thinly sliced red onion, separated into rings
2 shallots, sliced thin
1/3 cup minced mixed fresh herbs such as basil, parsley, tarra-

gon, and/or mint plus a herb sprig for garnish

In a small bowl, whisk together lemon juice, vinegar, mustard, garlic, sugar and salt and pepper to taste, add the oil in a stream, whisking, and whisk the dressing until it is emulsified. Arrange the tomato slices on a deep platter, scatter the onion and the shallots over them, and pour the dressing over the salad. Chill the salad for 20 minutes, sprinkle it with the minced herbs, and garnish it with the herb sprig.

Serves four to six.

BONELESS CHICKEN BREASTS WITH RED CHILI SAUCE

For red chili sauce:
4 dried New Mexico red chilies*, stemmed and

MENU

Chilled red pepper-tomato soup

Tomato salad with red onions and herbs

Boneless chicken breasts with red chili sauce

Gingered red cabbage with carrots

Red potatoes with wilted greens

Blood orange, grapefruit & pomegranate compote

Cranberry and raspberry star cookies

seeded (wear rubber gloves)

1 small onion (about 1/4 pound), halved
3 large garlic cloves
2 tablespoons raisins
1 1/2 teaspoons salt

For chicken:
2 tablespoons nonfat plain yogurt

2 large garlic cloves, minced and mashed to a paste with 1/2 teaspoon salt

1/2 teaspoon ground cumin
four 5-ounce skinless boneless chicken breast halves

1 teaspoon vegetable oil

1 tablespoon coarsely grated Münster available at some specialty foods shops

Preheat oven to 400°F.

Make red chili sauce:

In a saucepan simmer chilies, onion and garlic in water to cover 20 minutes and with a slotted spoon transfer to a blender. Add 1/2 cup cooking liquid, raisins and salt and blend until smooth. Sauce may be made one week ahead and chilled, covered.

Make chicken:

While chilies are simmering, in a bowl stir together yogurt, garlic paste, cumin and salt to taste. Add chicken and coat with marinade. Marinate chicken, covered and chilled, at least 15 minutes up to one day.

In a 10-inch non-stick skillet, heat oil over moderately high heat until hot but not smoking. Add chicken with marinade clinging to it, skinned sides down, and sauté one minute on each side, or until golden-brown patches appear.

Add chili sauce to skillet and bring to a simmer, uncovered, scraping up any brown bits. Transfer chicken mixture to a shallow baking pan just large enough to hold chicken and bake, covered, 15 minutes. Remove cover and sprinkle Münster over chicken. Remove pan from oven and let stand one minute to melt cheese.

Serves four.

GINGERED RED CABBAGE AND CARROTS

Can be prepared in 45 minutes or less.

1/4 pound carrots (about 2 medium)
1/2 pound red cabbage
2 teaspoons unsalted butter
1/2 teaspoon minced peeled fresh ginger root

1 teaspoon soy sauce
1/2 teaspoon sugar

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Ask Marjorie

Dear Marjorie,

Do you have any suggestions for pager etiquette? If I page someone repetitively, and then they page me back, but I get their pager and don't have anyone to call but their pager, what do I do? I hate playing pager tag but sometimes it seems as if there is no other way to get in touch with people.

—Perturbed about Pagers

Dear Perturbed,

There are documented sources for telephone etiquette, dining etiquette and classroom etiquette, but there are none that address pager etiquette. I understand your frustration with playing pager tag. Personally, I would go by the same rules that one adheres to for telephones. If you have already called them once, don't call again unless they call you. True, the tedium of pager tag could go on forever, but at least you will be playing by the rules. Always try to get an actual phone number that connects to an answering machine. That might end the silly game of pager tag sooner.

Dear Marjorie,

I have been dating my boyfriend for about a year. The other day, however, I was walking across campus and I saw this guy who just exuded this incredible sexual energy. I had to have him. He looked at me, and we ran into the library and had sex on the copier machines. Did I do something evil and wrong, or is that just a part of human sexuality?

—Puzzled and Passionate

Dear Puzzled,

Depending on your age and your boyfriend's age, one of you may be nearer to your sexual peak and this may be causing a rift in your relationship. A man peaks at approximately 19 years of age and a woman peaks in her early 30s, so age plays a role in sexual compatibility. What matters more than the wild fling with this random man is the fact that you were emotionally and physically faithful to your steady boyfriend. There are women who would give their right arm for a good and loving man (I know quite a few), and you threw that all away for five minutes of passion. I sincerely hope that it was worth it, because you may have lost one of the best things you had because of your infidelity.

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Separately cut carrots and cabbage into julienne strips. In a saucepan of boiling salted water, cook carrots two minutes or until just crisp-tender, and transfer with a slotted spoon to a bowl. Cook cabbage in boiling water one minute, or until just tender, and drain in a sieve.

In a skillet melt butter over moderately high heat until foam subsides and sauté in ginger root, stirring, 30 seconds. Add carrots, cabbage, soy sauce and sugar and sauté, stirring, two minutes.
Serves two.

BLOOD ORANGE, GRAPEFRUIT, AND POMEGRANATE COMPOTE

1 1/2 cups dry white wine
1/4 cup dry Sherry
1/4 cup honey
1/2 cup firmly packed light brown sugar
6 pink grapefruits
3 blood oranges or 1 1/2 navel oranges
1 pomegranate

In a saucepan bring white wine, Sherry, honey and sugar to a boil, stirring until sugar is dissolved. Transfer syrup to a heat-proof bowl and chill until cold.

Cut peel and pith from grapefruits and oranges and cut fruit into sections. Halve pomegranate and squeeze gently to yield seeds with juice. Divide citrus sections, pomegranate seeds and juice and wine syrup among six dessert bowls and chill, covered, at least 15 minutes, up to one hour. Stir compote before serving.
Serves six.

CRANBERRY AND RASPBERRY STAR COOKIES

3/4 cup (1 1/2 sticks) unsalted butter, room temperature
1 teaspoon vanilla extract
1/4 teaspoon grated lemon peel
1 cup sugar
1 large egg
1 egg yolk
2 1/4 cups all purpose flour
1/4 cup cornstarch
1/4 teaspoon (generous) ground cloves

Filling
1 cup fresh cranberries
1/4 cup sugar
3/4 cup raspberry preserves
Powdered sugar

For Cookies:
Using electric mixer, cream butter, vanilla and lemon in bowl until light. Gradually add sugar and beat until blended. Beat in egg and yolk. Combine flour, cornstarch and cloves. Beat half of dry ingredients into butter mixture. Stir in remaining dry ingredients. Gather dough into ball (dough will be soft). Divide dough into four pieces; flatten each into disk. Wrap each in plastic and chill one hour.

Preheat oven to 350. Butter heavy large non-stick cookie sheets. Roll one dough piece out (keep remainder refrigerated) on floured surface to thickness of 1/8 inch. Cut out star-shaped cookies using floured 3-inch star cutter. Transfer to prepared cookie sheets, spacing 1/2 inch apart. Repeat rolling and cutting with second dough piece. Gather scraps and reroll, chilling dough briefly if soft. Cut out more

3-inch star cookies. Transfer to prepared cookie sheets. Chill cookies 10 minutes. Bake until edges are golden, about 10 minutes. Cool on rack.

Roll third dough piece out on lightly floured surface to thickness of 1/8 inch. Cut out star-shaped cookies using floured 3-inch star cutter. Cut smaller star out of center of each 3-inch star using 1 3/4- to 2-inch star cutter. Transfer star outlines to prepared cookie sheets using floured metal spatula as aid. Repeat rolling and cutting star outlines with fourth dough piece. Gather scraps and star centers and reroll, chilling dough briefly if soft. Cut out 3-inch stars. Cut smaller stars out of each 3-inch star. Transfer star outlines and centers to prepared cookie sheets. Chill cookies 10 minutes. Bake until edges are golden brown, about nine minutes. Transfer cookies to rack and

cool.
For Filling:
Finely chop cranberries and sugar in processor. Transfer mixture to heavy medium saucepan. Mix in preserves. Cook over medium-high heat until mixture is reduced to scant one cup, stirring occasionally, about eight minutes. Pour into bowl and cool.

Using metal icing spatula, spread one teaspoon jam filling in center of each 3-inch cookie, spreading slightly toward points of star. Lightly sift powdered sugar over star outlines. Place star outlines sugar side up over jam-topped cookies. (Can be prepared ahead. Place in single layers in airtight containers. Refrigerate up to four days or freeze up to two weeks. Let stand 10 minutes at room temperature before serving.)

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dents checking out different styles and periods of jazz music," Dashiell said. "We've been able to educate the students and the public and now it's showing."

Dashiell and the music department have brought in a number of famous musicians that have played for and spoken to the jazz band. According to jazz students, during rehearsals Dashiell is very relaxed and comical. He keeps students interested and encourages them to have fun with the music.

"Everybody's part is really insignificant unless it all goes together," Dashiell said, talking to his students during rehearsal. Dashiell has encouraged not only a large number of students to get interested in jazz and a few non-students play as well.

Jay Wright is a piano player with the jazz band who was first exposed to jazz music when he was in the

drum and bugle core in college 10 years ago.

"Musical taste is becoming much more diverse as we continue to get a much more diverse audience," Wright said.

Kahamele Youssef is a senior at ECU who is majoring in jazz performance and communication. She is also one of the alternating vocalists for the jazz band.

"The jazz program here is definitely helping to increase the interest in jazz music," Youssef said. "I think it's great. Jazz is a lot harder than regular music, but it has given me more of a desire to carry on with jazz. It's America's music!"

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Arizona balloonist to try circling world alone

SCOTTSDALE, Ariz. (AP)—Balloonist Kevin Uliassi knows a Swiss team was the first to circle the world in a balloon. He wants to be the first to do it alone.

Uliassi was sidelined a year ago by bad weather and international politics when Bertrand Picard and Brian Jones succeeded in 19 days. He also was foiled in 1997 and 1998.

Now recharged and supported by enough sponsors, Uliassi is ready to try floating into history again—this time, solo.

Typically, around-the-world balloon attempts are made by teams of three.

"To me, the appeal is I don't have to worry about the other person," Uliassi said. "It makes everything so much simpler. For other people... they identify with that, especially when it's an ordinary person."

"But you can't really say why it's important. Some people think it's just plain silly. People don't see balloons as rational things like airplanes."

"If I can do this, it may have some meaning to people who are interested in the sport," he added.

Uliassi, 36, was planning to take off as early as the wee hours of Sunday depending on the weather. But on Saturday, according to his website, the launch was called off for the time being because of unfavorable weather patterns.

In a 160-foot balloon named J. Renee, for his wife, he would lift off on his 20,000-mile journey from a

stone quarry near Rockford, Ill., in a town called Loves Park. He'll rise to about 30,000 feet for what he expects to be a journey of 18 to 20 days.

The J. Renee will be on autopilot when Uliassi sleeps, and he'll be in contact with medical advisers should he get sick at such high altitudes.

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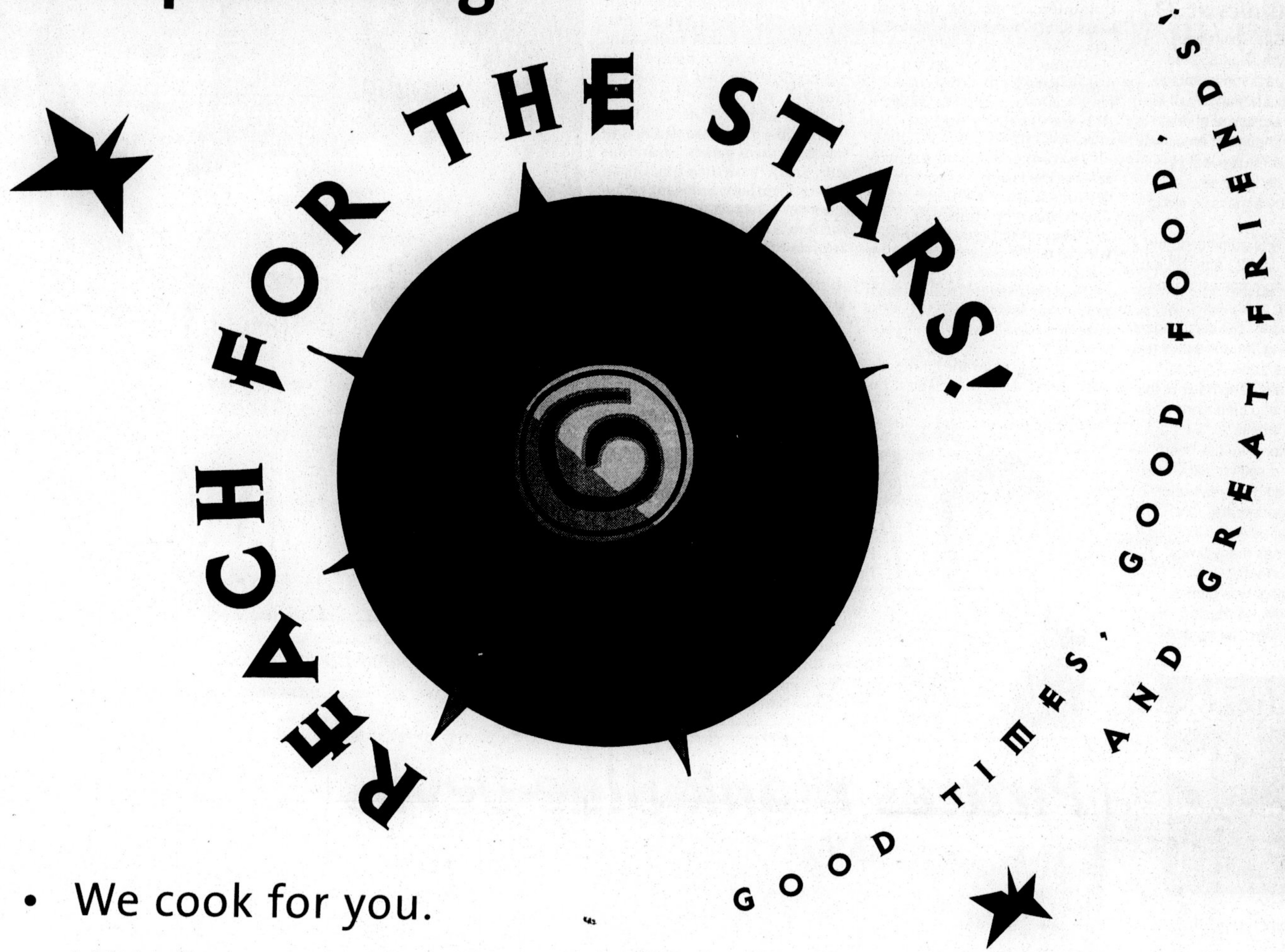
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SPORTS BRIEFS

Senior Neil Punt sparks men's basketball

Minnesota native excels in final season

Matthew Geraghty
STAFF WRITER

In ECU's up and down basketball season one thing has been constant-- Neil Punt. The senior forward has brought his game to the next level in his final season at ECU.

As Pirate basketball gears up for the CAA tournament this week with a three-game road swing against William & Mary, Richmond and Old Dominion, senior forward Punt looks to his experience to lead the way.

"We are less likely to give up, we realize that we still have a chance," Punt said when asked to compare this year's Pirate team to previous ones.

The consensus among the players as to the reason for the renewed devotion is coach Bill Herrion, and the revamped coaching staff.

"They have worked very well with all of the players," said senior Garrett Blackwelder.

"I'm enjoying this season much more than last," Punt said. "The coaching staff allows us new opportunities."

A major plus for the Pirates this season has been the marked improvement of Punt's game. Punt attributes his improvement to off-season weight training, running and pick up ball. Punt also praises the personal coaching that the players receive in the preseason.

"It helps us develop specific areas of our own games," Punt said. "Neil is the type of player that coaches love to have," Herrion said. "I wish I had him returning for three more years."

"He's our go-to guy," Blackwelder said. "He's done a lot of work to earn that position. He is definitely an inside presence, and a proven scorer."

Punt is a 6'8" senior from Chanhassen, Minn. He finished third all-time in scoring at his high school, with over 1,300 points. Throughout his college career, Punt has seen a somewhat limited playing time, due in part to a broken foot.

Off the court Punt has many hobbies including rollerblading and watching the X games. He and his wife, Karen, have their son, Chase, to keep them busy. Following graduation Punt would love to work with the State Patrol investigating insurance fraud.

"I'd rather not put all my eggs in one basket," Punt said after saying how he'd love to play pro. Neil Punt and the Pirates continue their road toward the CAA tournament with their next home game on Feb. 19 against VCU.

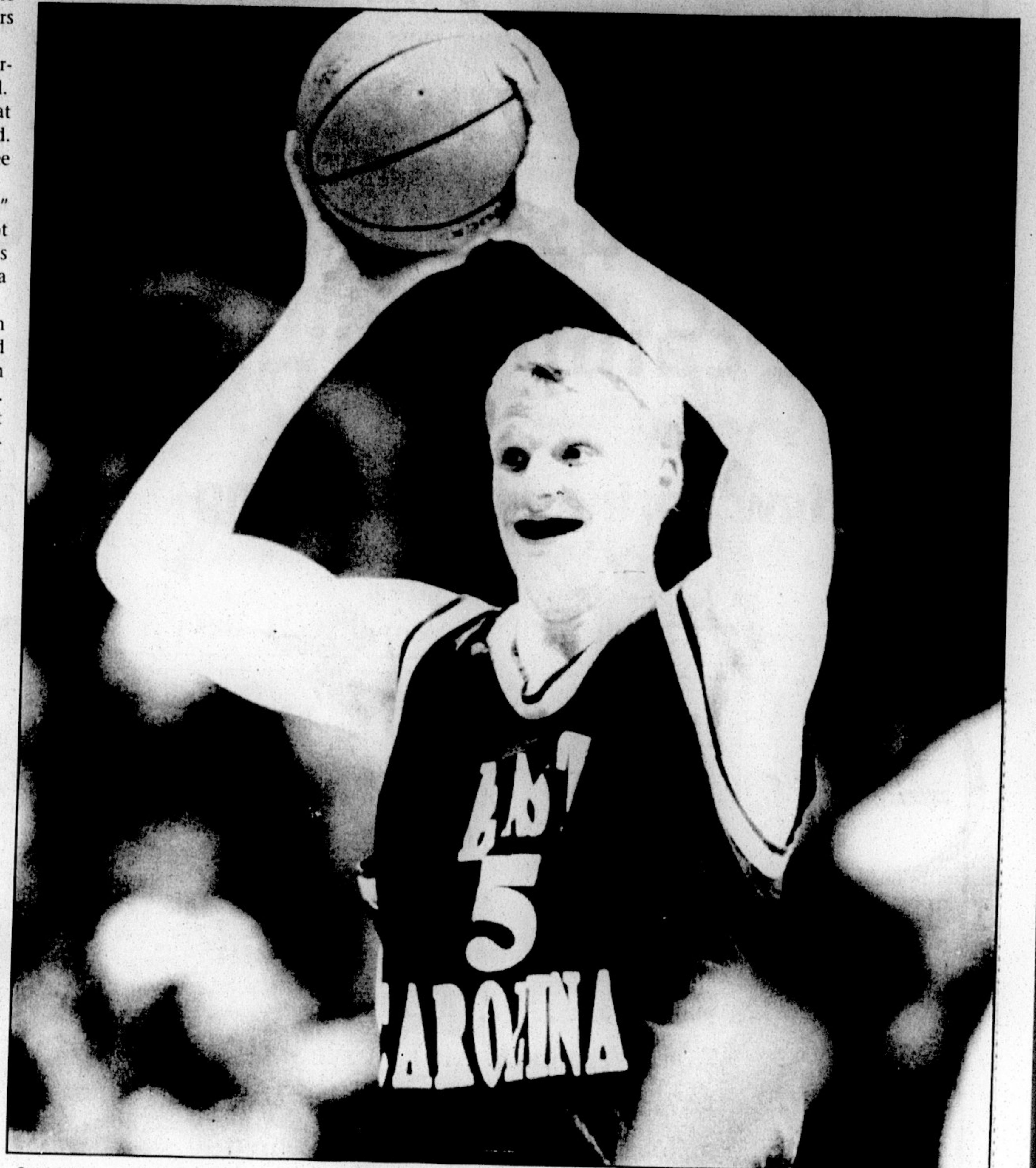
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Neil Punt

Senior
Position: Forward
Hometown: Chanhassen, Minn.
Height: 6'8"
1999-2000 stats: 6.1 rebounds per game, 10.4 points per game
Career highs: 15 points vs. UNC-Wilmington, 13 rebounds vs. Old Dominion



Senior forward, Neil Punt has become a leader on the Pirate squad. His 10.4 points and 6.1 rebounds per game have been a bright spot in an up and down season for ECU. (file photo)

Pirates blank Blue Devils



ECU took on Duke Monday afternoon at Harrington Field to open the 2000 season.

The Pirates beat the Devils 5-0 with ECU pitchers Foye Minton and Davey Penny combined for a no-hitter. The Pirates did not allow a Blue Devils baserunner until the fifth inning when Duke's Larry Broadway reached base on an error. Minton pitched through the eighth inning. Penny came into the ninth to keep the no-hitter intact.

The no-hitter is Minton's second as a Pirate. He no-hit N.C. State in his first outing last season.

"It's pretty hard to believe that [Minton] could come out and work a no-hitter again for the second year in a row," said Head Baseball Coach Keith LeClair.

The Pirates scored four runs in the first inning. ECU tacked on another run in the seventh to finish with five runs.

"Overall this was a good win for us to start the year with," LeClair said.

Freshman Davey Penny (above) came on in the ninth to preserve the Pirates' no-hitter. Outfielder Erik Bakich (left) got some instruction from a Pirate coach prior to Monday's game. ECU's Lee Delfino (below) attempted to steal a base on the Blue Devils. (photos by Garrett McMillan)



OPINION COLUMN Football schedule offers quality once again

Virginia Tech headlines ECU's 2000 opponents

Stephen Schramm
SPORTS EDITOR

So, what are you going to be doing on Sept. 7? If you're a fan of Pirate football you'll be in Ficklin watching ECU take on Virginia Tech in ECU's home opener.

ECU's 2000 football schedule was released last week and the Thursday night match up with the Hokies was the game that garnered the most attention. The game will be nationally televised on ESPN and will feature two of the most interesting teams from last season.

The Hokies went 11-0 en route to a Sugar Bowl match up with eventual National Champion, Florida State. Tech had an offense that featured the nation's most exciting player, Michael Vick. Vick will come into the 2000 season as a favorite for the Heisman and the game against ECU may be one of his first chances to impress the voters.

ECU's season kicks off with a date with Duke in Durham. ECU easily disposed of the Devils when the two teams met in Greenville in September of last year.

The Pirates will then return home to face Virginia Tech on Thursday night. The game against the Hokies will also represent the first of three match ups with teams from the Big East on the docket. The Pirates will also tangle with Syracuse later in the month and West Virginia in November.

ECU will then face two more opponents at home, Tulane and Syracuse, and have a by-week before heading West to Memphis for a tilt with the Tigers. The game with Memphis starts a stretch where ECU faces five straight conference opponents.

ECU then returns home for a contest with Army, before traveling to Louisville to take on the Cardinals.

ECU then has back-to-back home games with conference foes, UAB and Houston. The Houston game will be the home finale for the Pirates.

To end the season, ECU will have a tough road swing that includes visits to West Virginia and C-USA champ, Southern Miss on Thanksgiving weekend. The Southern Miss game will be a rematch of the conference's best game of 1999.

The Pirates will face the best of C-USA. They will take on the other two bowl teams from the conference, Southern Miss and Louisville.

The 2000 schedule will be competitive. While it does not contain N.C. State or North Carolina, it does offer the Pirates several chances to sell out home games and showcase their program.

Of their 11 games, five have a chance to be nationally televised. The home games with Virginia Tech and Syracuse, as well as the match up with West Virginia will be shown on ESPN or ESPN2. The games with conference foes, Louisville and Southern Miss will be shown on Fox Sports Net.

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2000 ECU Football Schedule

Sept. 2 (Sat.)	Duke	Durham, N.C.
Sept. 7 (Thurs.)	Virginia Tech	Greenville
Sept. 16 (Sat.)	Tulane	Greenville
Sept. 23 (Sat.)	Syracuse	Greenville
Oct. 7 (Sat.)	Memphis	Memphis, Tenn.
Oct. 14 (Sat.)	Army	Greenville
Oct. 19 (Thurs.)	Louisville	Louisville, Ky.
Oct. 28 (Sat.)	UAB	Greenville
Nov. 11 (Sat.)	Houston	Greenville
Nov. 18 (Sat.)	West Virginia	Morgantown, W.Va.
Nov. 25 (Sat.)	Southern Miss	Hattiesburg, Miss.

Chiefs' Derrick

Thomas dies at 33

Kansas City Chiefs line-backer Derrick Thomas died Tuesday at Jackson Memorial Hospital in his hometown of Miami. The exact cause of death is unknown. Although Thomas was on medication to prevent clotting, his death is suspected to be caused by a massive blood clot.

Derrick was admitted to the hospital on Jan. 23 after his car flipped during a snowstorm on an interstate in Kansas City. One of Thomas' two passengers died following the accident while another was treated and released. Neither Thomas nor the passenger who died were wearing their seatbelts.

"He epitomized the heart, courage and spirit it takes to be an outstanding player," said Broncos quarterback John Elway, who, as a division rival, faced Thomas many times. "More importantly, Derrick Thomas, the man, was a philanthropist who gave so much to his family and his community."



Appeals process too slow for Barkley

Eric Barkley, point guard at St. John's University, has been suspended from the next three games due to suspicion of preferential treatment.

Barkley allegedly traded his Jeep Cherokee for a Chevy Suburban which belonged to a long-time family friend.

Although the NCAA does have an appeals process, it is unfortunately too slow to keep up with the college basketball schedule.

"We're disappointed and think the ruling is unfortunate," said Athletics Director Ed Manetta Jr. "We appealed immediately and that's the process we're in right now, and that started Saturday. We have moved on to the next committee in the process and are hoping for a ruling from it by late Thursday or Friday morning."

Rose unable to celebrate with Reds

Even Pete Rose's extreme public popularity isn't enough to bypass his 1989 ban from baseball; a ban he incurred himself because of gambling.

Rose will not be allowed to participate in the Reds' 25-year remembrance of the 1975 World Series Championship win which is slated for June 3, 2000.

"Obviously, this is a very sensitive subject, and a very misunderstood one," said Commissioner Bud Selig. "But as things stand, there's been no change."

"I did make an exception for the all-century team because fans were voting and I didn't do anything to stop that. But we said it was a one time thing."

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Agassi withdraws from Sybase Open

SAN JOSE, Calif. (AP)—Australian Open champion Andre Agassi withdrew from the Sybase Open on Tuesday because of a lower back strain.

"Everybody here knows it's a great disappointment for the tournament," said Jim Courier, who had 11 service aces in a 6-3, 6-4 victory over Eric Taino.

"He's the biggest draw in the game, and he's playing the best tennis of his career," Courier said of Agassi.

Agassi reported cramps while flying to San Francisco from Zimbabwe, where he helped the United States to a 3-2 first-round victory in the Davis Cup.

He arrived in San Francisco on

Monday and attempted to work out at the San Francisco Tennis Club on Tuesday afternoon. After his workout, he had severe back pain.

"I talked with Andre directly and he expressed disappointment," Barry McKay, the tournament director said. "We're all disappointed."

It was at the Sybase Open in 1998 where Agassi defeated then-No. 1 Pete Sampras in the final to begin his comeback to the No. 1 ranking. Agassi has won the tournament four times, all in the 1990s.

Agassi will be replaced in the main draw by Scott Humphries.

Sampras was seeded No. 1 last year when he withdrew from the tournament in the semifinals be-

cause of a left ankle injury.

Third-seeded Vince Spadea withdrew because of right shoulder inflammation. He was replaced by Xavier Malisse, who beat Richard Fromberg 7-6 (5), 0-6, 6-4.

Fourth-seeded Michael Chang beat Paradorn Srichaphan 7-5, 6-4. Magnus Larsson, Cecil Mamiit and Paul Goldstein also opened with victories.

Larsson beat Martin Rodriguez 6-2, 6-1, Mamiit defeated Julian Alonso, 6-4, 6-4, and Goldstein topped James Blake 6-3, 7-6 (4).

No. 2 Mark Philippoussis, the defending champion, and Humphries open Wednesday night.

Lewis lawyer: Ray was not involved

ATLANTA (AP)—After interviewing all the passengers in the limousine that fled the scene of two post-Super Bowl slayings, a lawyer for All-Pro linebacker Ray Lewis still doesn't know who held the knife.

But he says one thing's for sure — it was not his client.

"We're all hearing one voice — Ray was not involved in knifing anybody or attacking anybody," said Lewis' lawyer, Don Samuel to The Associated Press on Monday. "We have not interviewed the driver, but everyone else says Ray wasn't the one."

Samuel said that he and other defense lawyers and investigators have interviewed all six men, including Lewis. He would not release the names of the other limo passengers.

The Sun in Baltimore reported Monday that limo driver Duane Fassett, 51, told police that Lewis threw at least one punch in the fight that resulted in the two deaths a week earlier.

The affidavit police used to obtain the arrest warrant against Lewis cited an unidentified witness who said Lewis participated in the "punching, beating and

stabbing" of the two men.

Lewis, middle linebacker for the Baltimore Ravens, is in the Atlanta Detention Center on murder charges stemming from the deaths of Jacinth "Shorty" Baker, 21, and Richard Lollar, 24, both of Decatur. His bond hearing is scheduled for Feb. 14.

Atlanta police have said they were looking to interview two men thought to have been in the limo — former University of Maryland football player A.J. Johnson and Kwame King, a friend of Lewis.

Johnson, who says he was at home in Laurel, Md., over Super Bowl weekend, said Sunday that Atlanta investigators had interviewed him.

Samuel said the defense team has interviewed more than 30 people, and accounts as to what happen vary wildly.

"We've heard everything from it was a war zone and there was fighting everywhere to that there were four total involved, including the two victims," Samuel said.

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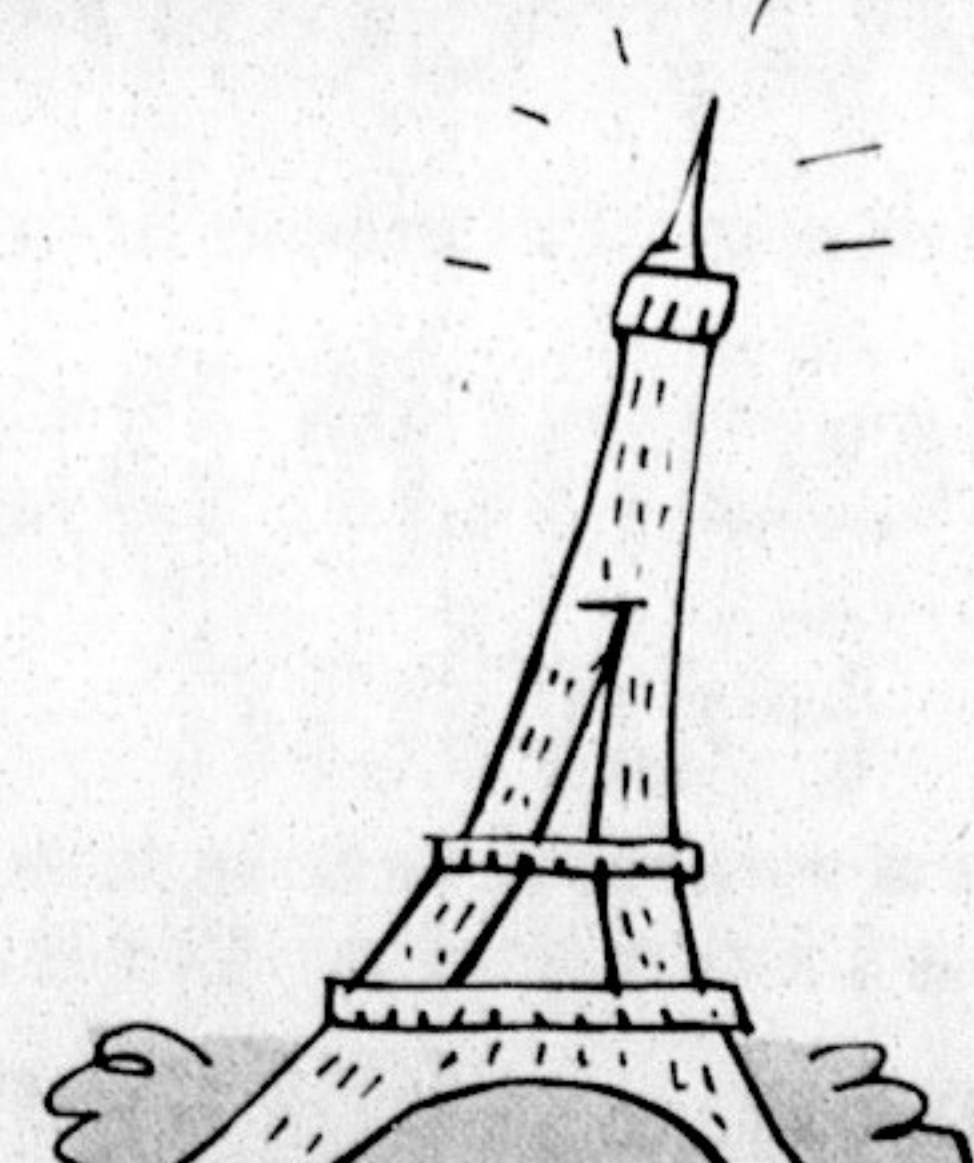
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Atlanta and Baltimore County police also searched Lewis' home in suburban Baltimore early Monday. Atlanta police spokesman John Quigley confirmed a search warrant was executed, but would not say what police were looking for or what was confiscated. Officers could be seen carrying large plastic containers from the home and loading a computer into a van.

Atlanta television station WSB-TV reported Monday that investigators also visited The Sports Authority location in Duluth where Lewis held an autograph session the day before the Super Bowl.

The store sells hunting knives, and previously published reports have said that receipts for knives were found in Lewis' hotel room, but the store was not known.

Police and store officials would not comment on what was asked or answered at the store.

Meanwhile, a lawyer for Fassett, the limo driver, said his client should not be seen as "a star witness against Ray Lewis."

"He's told police what he saw," said David Irwin. "And he's told police what he didn't see."

Irwin would not comment on what Fassett told police. But he said Fassett has periodically driven for Lewis over the past year and is "friendly" with the 24-year-old player.

"He's very distraught about the trouble that has befallen Ray," Irwin said.

Irwin would not comment on previous reports that knives and blood were found in the limo.

Samuel said Fassett might have seen Lewis trying to break up the fight.

"We don't know what his vantage point was or what he actually saw," Samuel said.

He also said that the fact that someone shot at the fleeing limo and that bullet holes were evident in the vehicle means someone other than the victims might have been involved in the fight.

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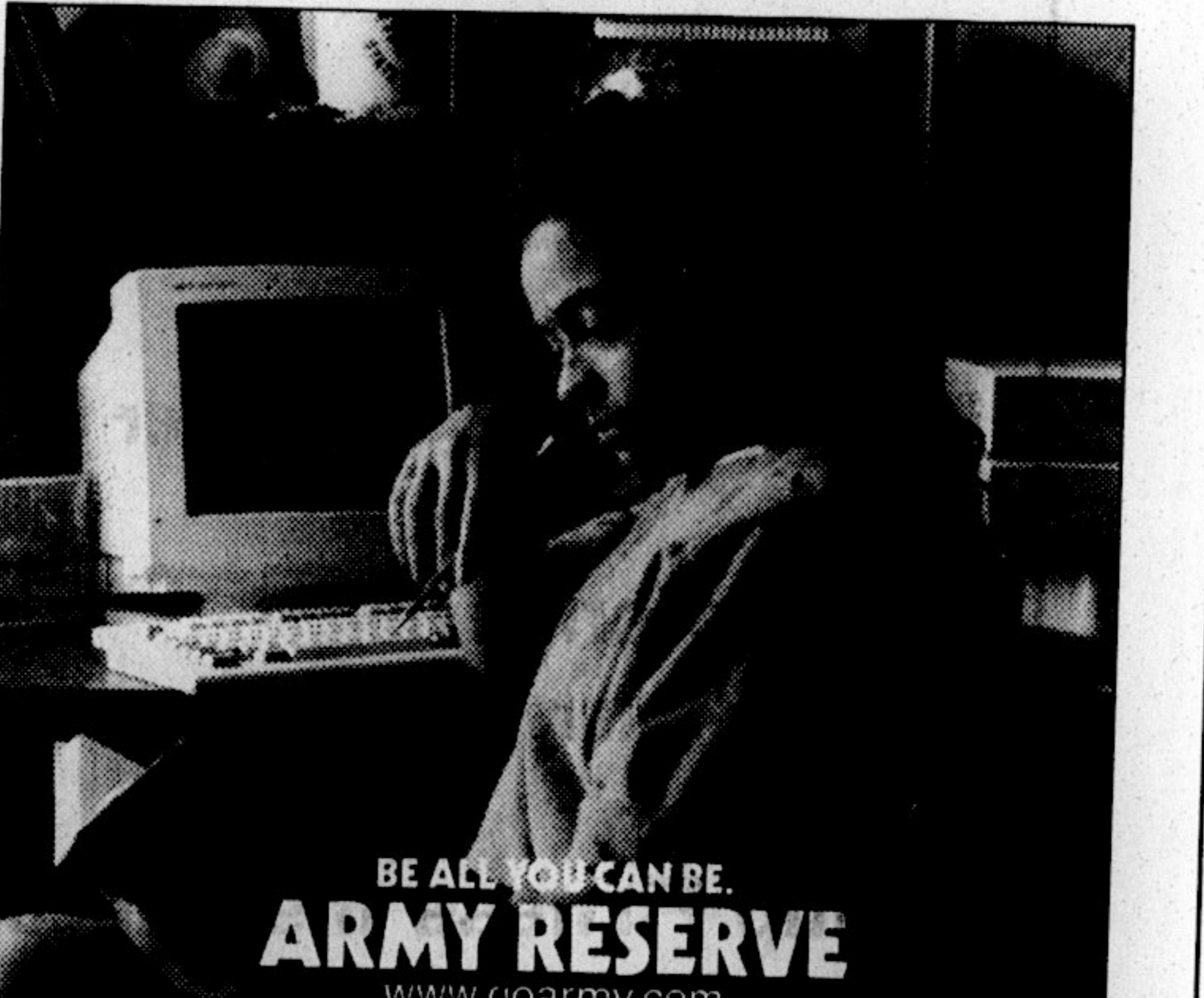
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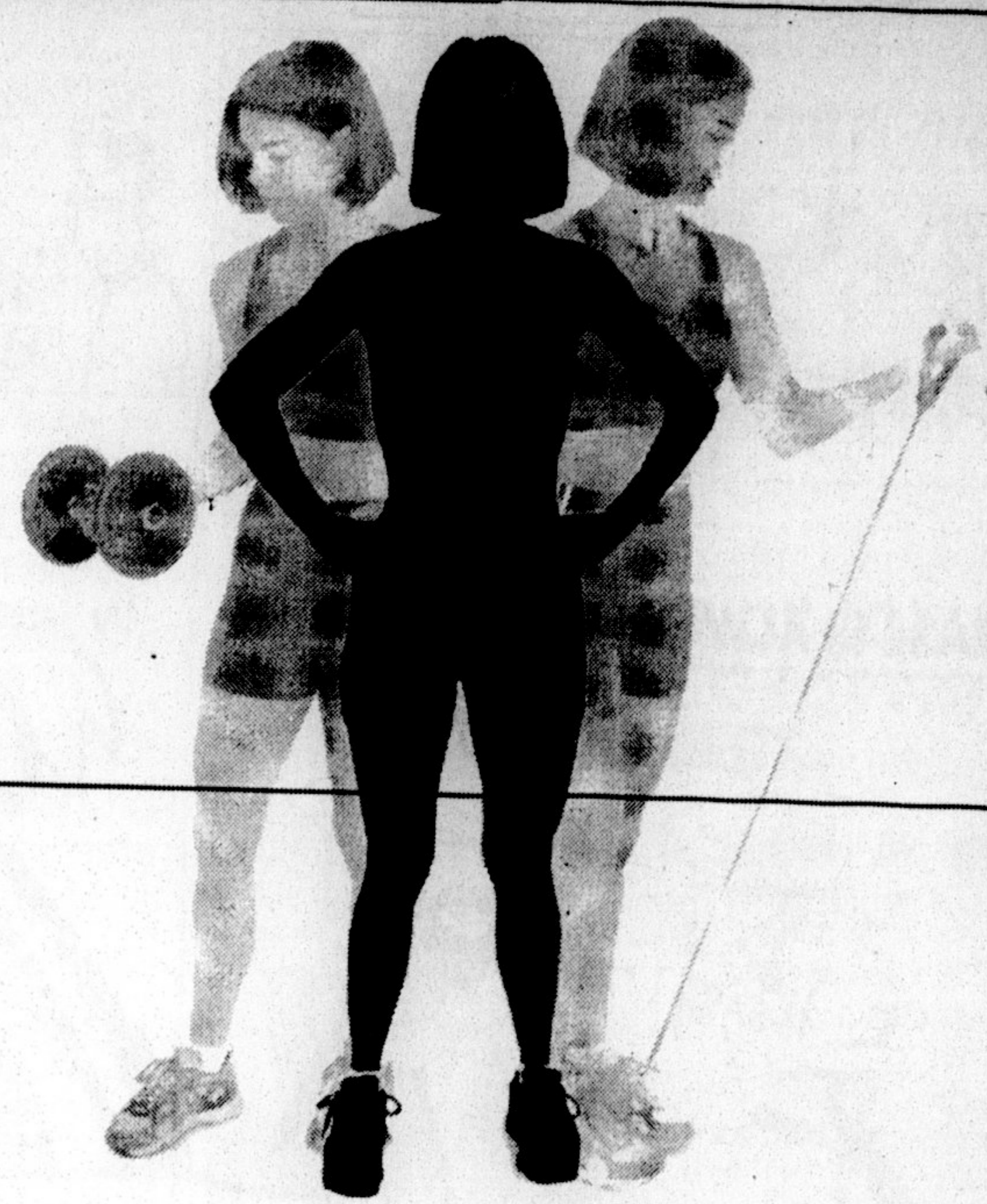
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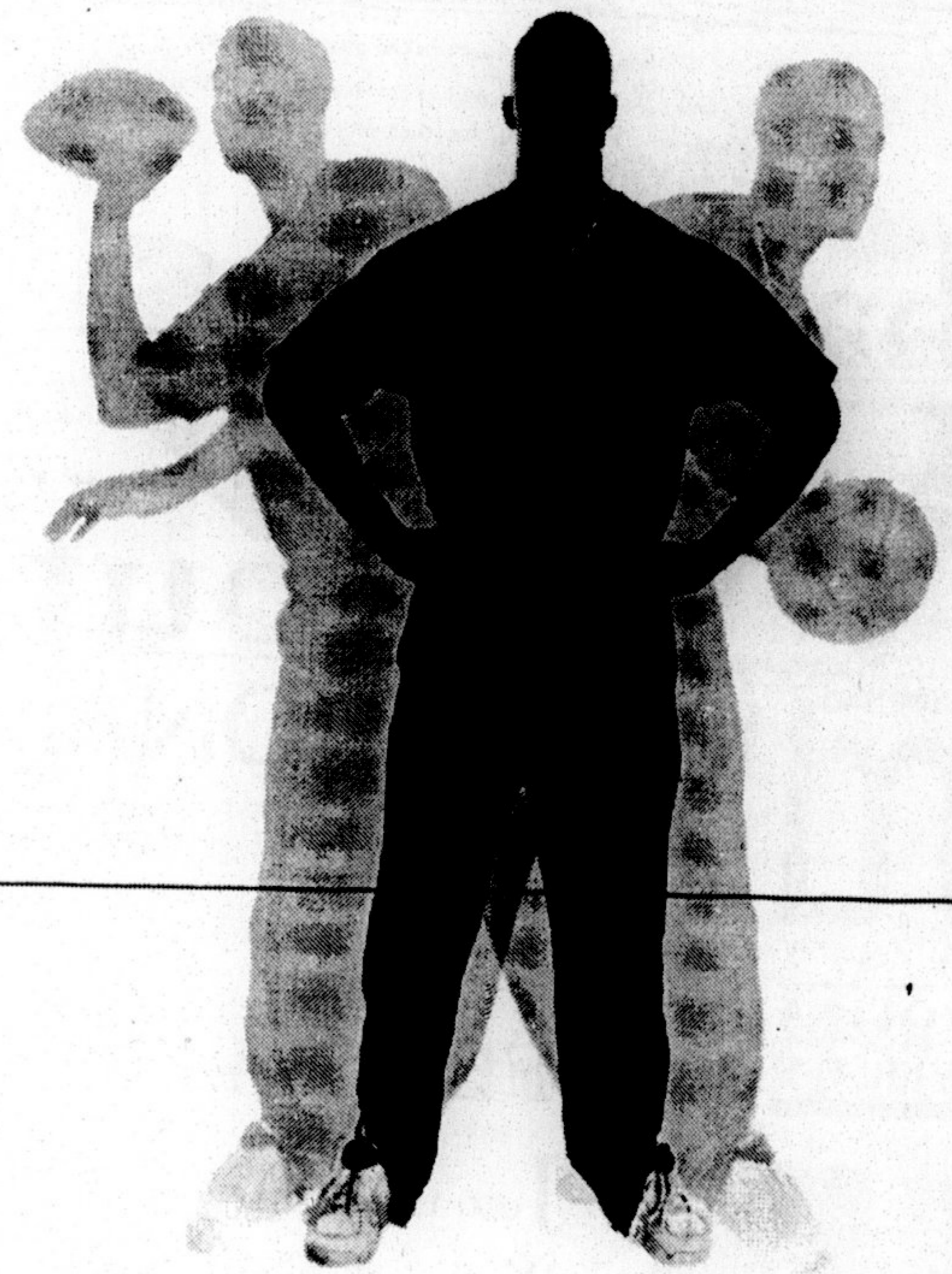
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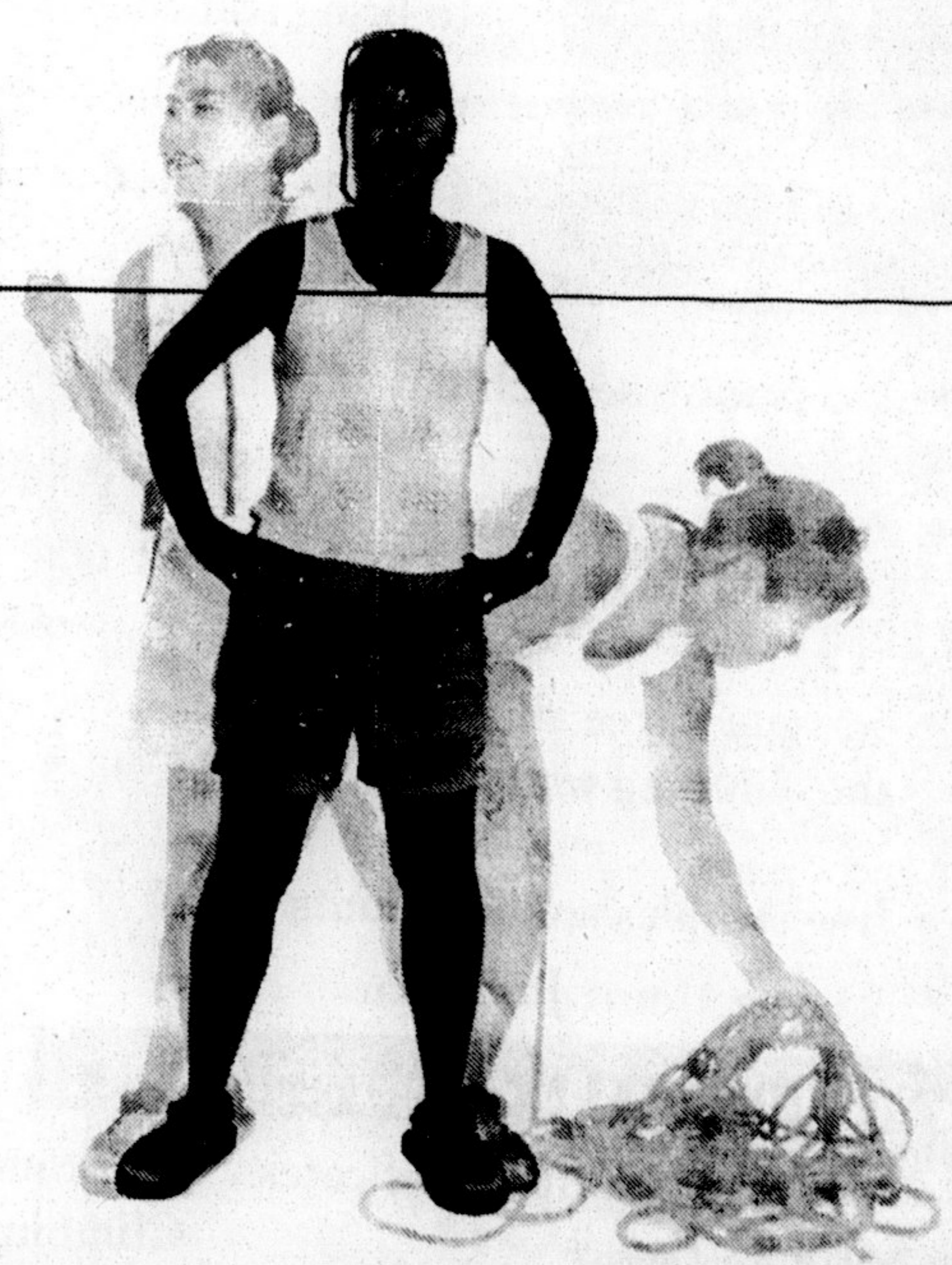
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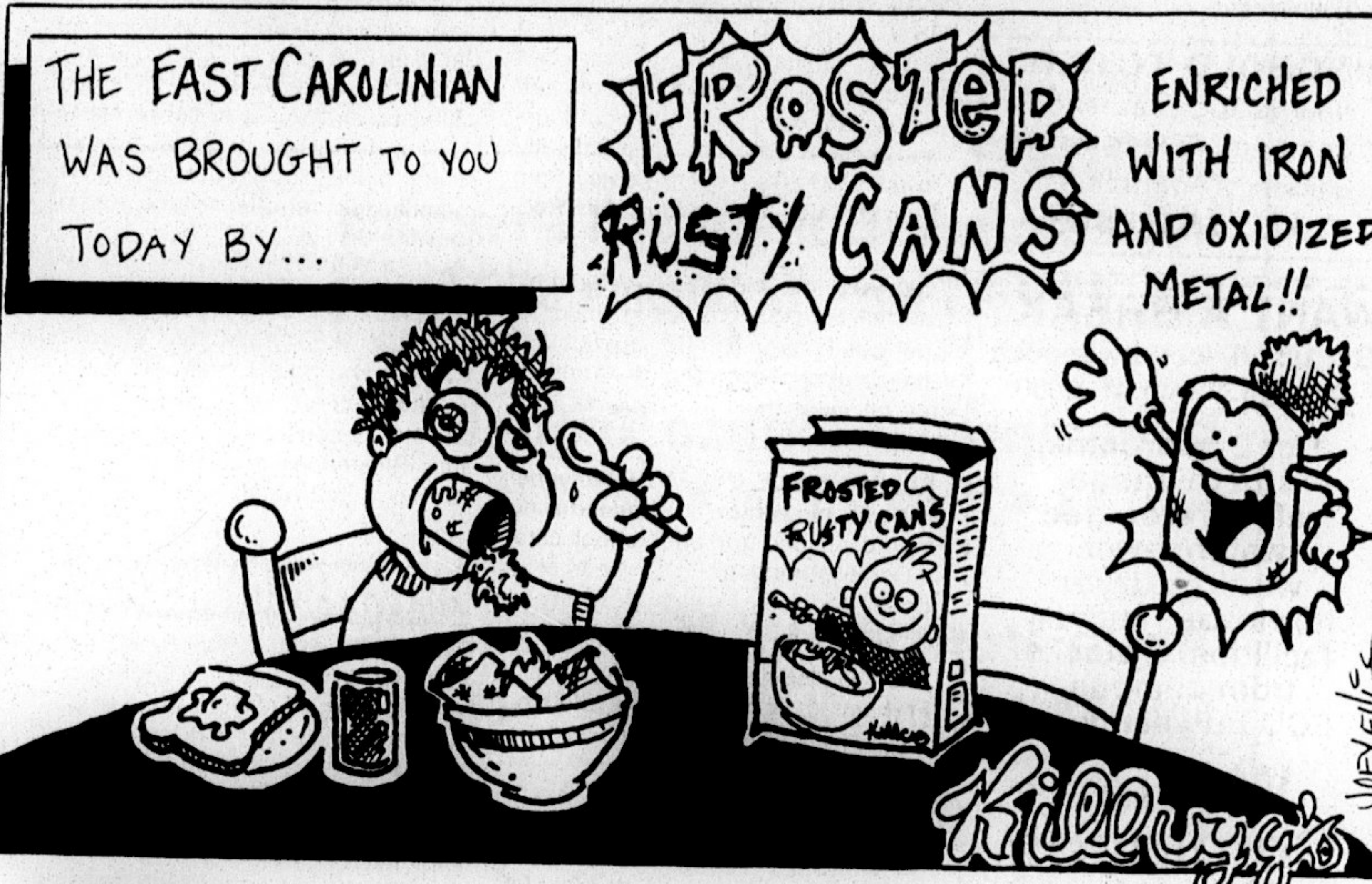
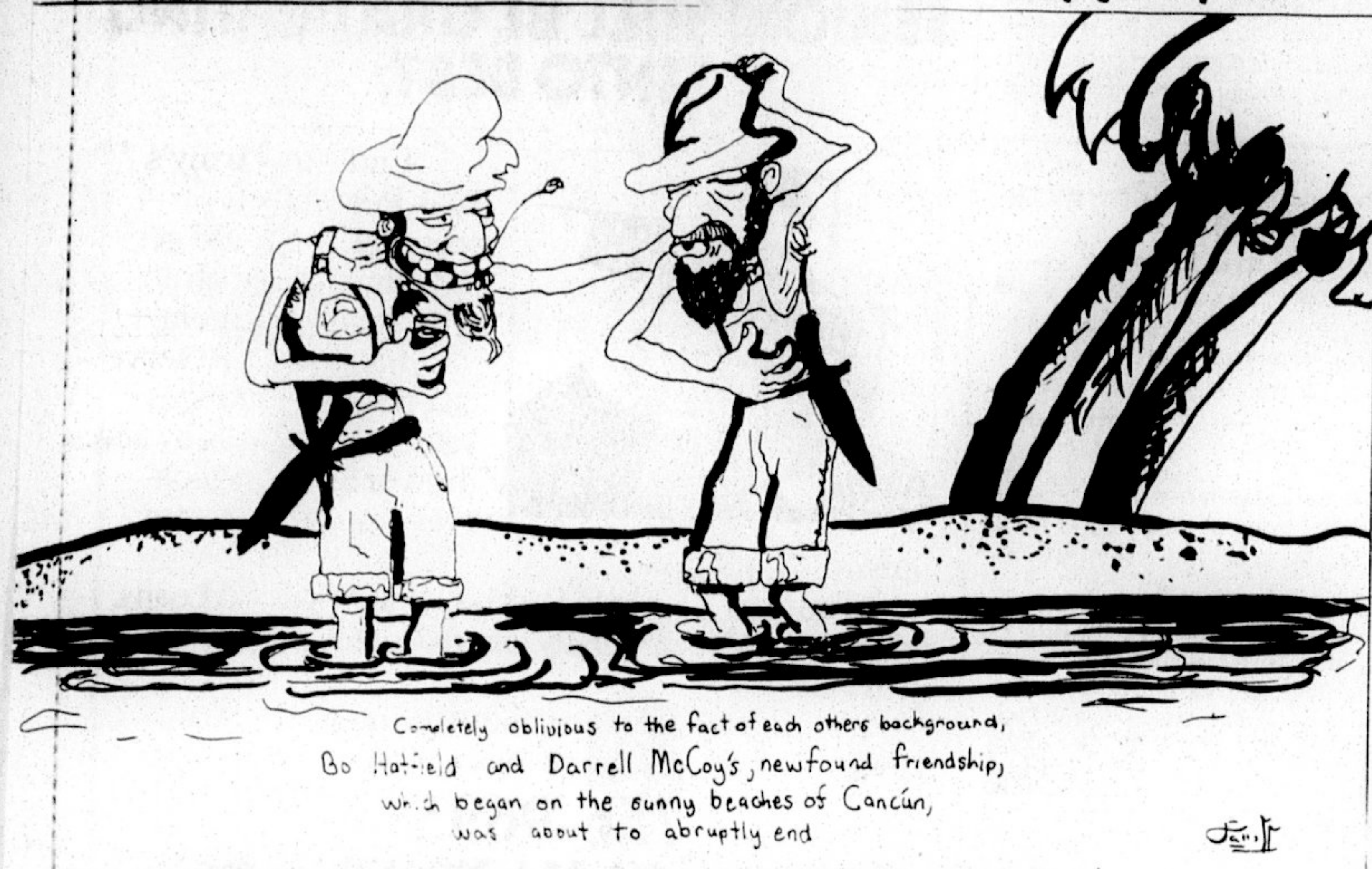
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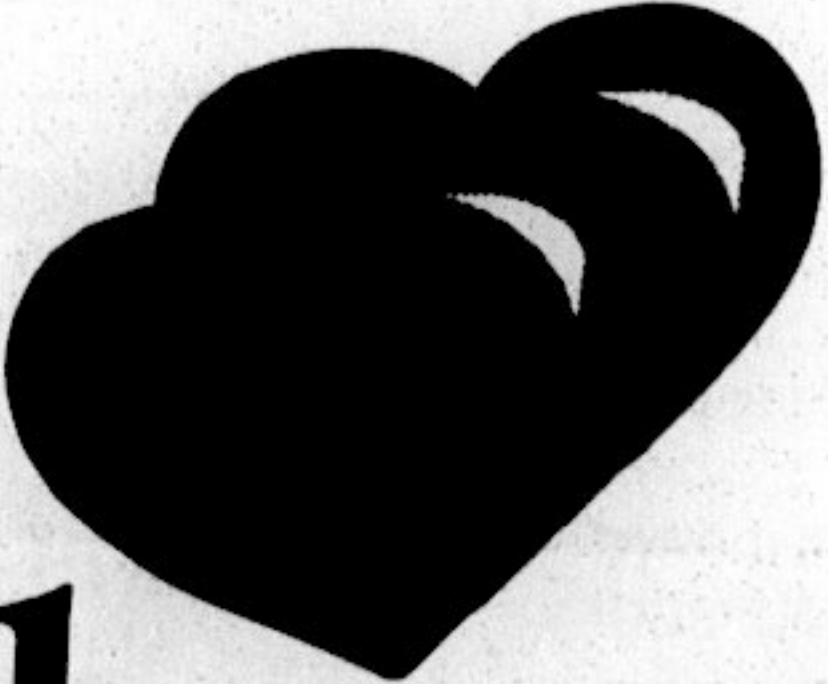


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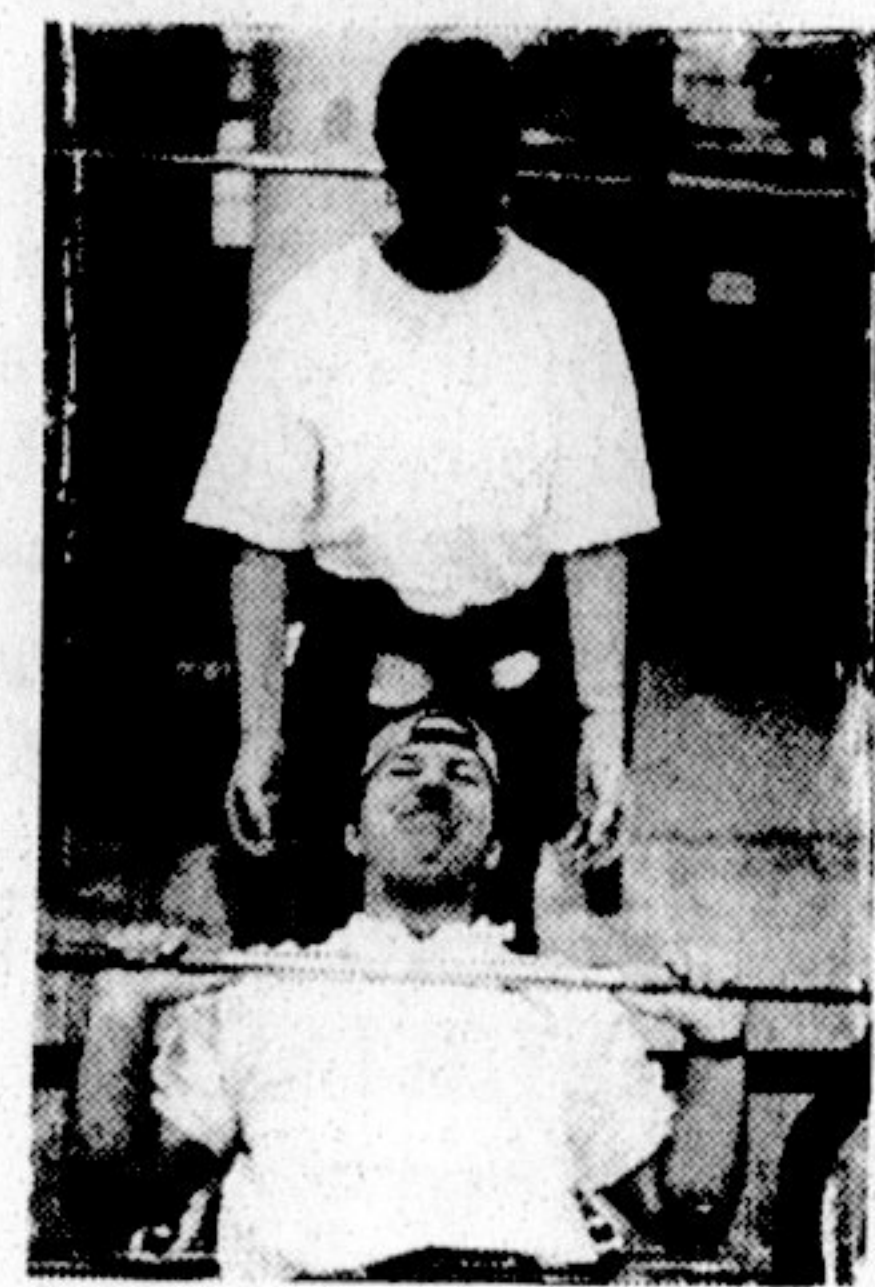
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PERSONALS

THE CARD Post... Report #254 include Inn. With reviewing information sought & received from the Surgeon General's office that was a product of a workshop he held last summer addressing the 'suicide crisis... one part addressed various resources in the community to aid in exploring this matter. Among a few persons &/or groups suggested... was... hairdressers. In addressing the mental health suicide crisis there is understanding of such an unique inclusion. This will be explored in next Sunday's News Argus report. Prosper 'n live long. Tom Drew. Report #355 Olivia's V-Day in the land of Wuz (part 2). Reba.. not a hussie to be hussed by her best girlfriend said "You can pet Bubber's dog... Budgie... though not Bubber!" Look 'n er in the eye 'n not missing a stroke on Budgie's coat... Olivia replied "one in the same". To which Reba exclaimed "you tickle me girl!" The next day: Afta' tickling Bubber down... to Budgie's delight... & as one began to pluck the grey from Bubber's side burns... the other whispered in his ear "If you be keep'n with us... 'n our friends... you won't see anymore of these... no time tooooo soon!" T.K.D.

GREEK PERSONALS

WAY TO go Alicia, AKA speed racer! Love your Pi Delta sisters.

KAPPA ALPHA we had a great time at the hall crawl Thursday night. Can't wait to do it again. Love sisters of Chi Omega.

CONGRATULATIONS to Robin Wilson for her lavalier by Nathan Lloyd from the brothers of Sigma Alpha Epsilon.

THANKS FOR your support, Michall Love, your Pi Delta Sisters.

CONGRATULATIONS to Nathan Lloyd from your brothers of Sigma Alpha Epsilon.

GAMMA SIGMA Sigma would like to congratulate the Omicron pledge class officers: Amanda Tedder- President; Ashleigh Hooks- Vice President; Jen Swanson- South Liaison; and Emily Koperniak- Secretary.

CONGRATULATIONS MARGARETTE AND Will! Way to shag the night away! Love Pi Delta.

PI KAPPA Phi we had a blast at the Pajama social Friday night. Flip cup was fun. Lets do it again. Love the sisters of Chi Omega.

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THE SISTERS of Alpha Phi would like to welcome our new members! Katie Gray, Trina Sebben, Ainsley Marsh, Betsy Kelly, Liz Moran, Lynette Hojmann, Meghan Wagoner, Kerri Boness and Courtney Willard. Congratulations love the sisters.

THANK YOU to the sisters of Alpha Xi Delta for the use of your house during rush from the brothers of Sigma Alpha Epsilon.

THE SISTERS of Delta Zeta would like to thank Phi Kappa Tau for a great social. We fell on our a? but we had a blast!

SIGMA PHI Epsilon thank you for the social Friday night! We had a great time! Lets do it again soon! Love Alpha Phi.

DELTA ZETA would like to thank Pi Kappa Alpha for a great social Saturday night. We hope to do it again soon!

PI DELTA congratulates the following on outstanding scholastic achievements thus far this semester: Heather Goetz, Tina Overbee, Tammy Burkett, Stephanie Ragland.

DO YOU need a Valentine's date? Come to Zeta Tau Alpha's Valentine's Date Auction. Bidding starts at 9pm on Sunday February 13th at Hendrix Theater.

GAMMA SIGMA Sigma would like to congratulate the Omicron pledge class on inductions.

CONGRATULATIONS, NEW members of Alpha Omicron Pi - Julie Watson, Rachel Hudson, Sarah Chambers, Amanda Spencer, Lian Oxenham, Michelle Neptun, Laura Phillips, Abby Hoffman, and Karen Peaden. Love, your sisters!

THETA CHI, we had a great time at the social Saturday night. Lets do it again soon. Love the sisters of Chi Omega.

CONGRATULATIONS to the new Pi Delta officers: Corresponding Secretary- Terrell Floyd, Sargent of Arms-Tyler Blackwelder, Fundraiser- Angie Rad.

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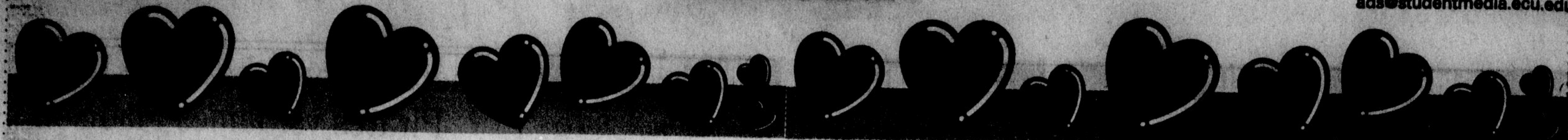
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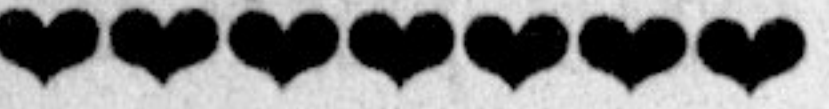
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HEY BOO Wendi, Susi, Gina we are finally all together. Happy Valentine's Day, Love you your Boo!



DARREN, JUST a little something to tell you how valuable you are to me. I couldn't imagine life without you. You're my sweetiepie. I'll definitely be yours forever. Dana



"ROCK," HAPPY Valentine's Day, baby! I love you with all my heart and soul! Can't wait until the big day! I Love You! Love, Hunny.



THE BOOGIE monster makes me feel all warm and gushy inside! I love him...love your little monkey, eeeooooo.



ALLISON, YOU are my sun. Gabrielle you are my moon. One of you is always on my mind. You complete me. Love Andy S.



HS CAN'T wait to spend Valentine's day with you! Stay as sweet as you are. VK

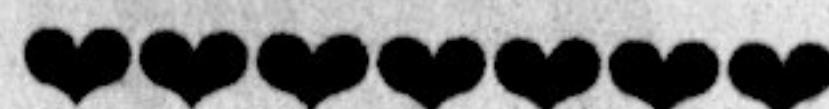


NICK, LOVE at first sight was only in fairy tales till I saw you. Thanks for being my charming prince and knight in armor. I love you. Kelly



AMOR DE mio, Yo miraba las sendas que venian de lejos, pero a ti nunca te esperé, afortunado.

ADAM S. There is something special about you. I can't describe the feeling inside me everytime I gaze into your eyes. It's an honor to be called yours - Forever, Erika.



DKC, I love you more today than yesterday, but only half as much as I will in the future. You will always have a special place in my heart! NCK



DEAR CHRISSEY Happy Valentine's Day I wanted to let you know that I love you with all of my heart and that you mean the world to me. Love, Billy.



DEAR MANDY, Happy Valentine's Day to my pompski. I hope you have a great day, and I can't wait to see you in a few days. Love ya 4-life! Brent



HAPPY VALENTINES day to all of my friends in Slay and Umstead hall. You all are great and mean a lot to me. Your friend Billy.



HAPPY VALENTINE'S Day to Alison, Brandie, Caroline, Elizabeth, Emily, James and Meredith. You are all sweethearts!

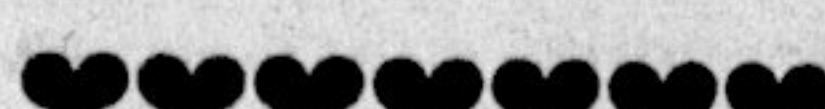


TO ALL my ladies who have been there & continue to be there for me...Thanks and I'll always Love you girls. Love Meg.



HEY, CB You're still the one for me. ISLYM HP

CHAD YOU'RE my need and my want. You're my today and my tomorrow. You're my heart and my soul but most of all you're just you! I love you Dalis.



BJC- IF you play your cards right, you can be my b..b..babay tonight! I love you big time! Happy Valentine's Day.



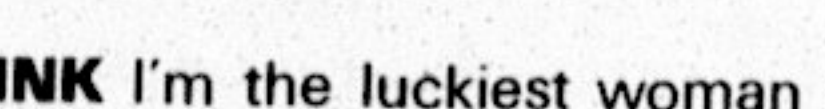
JB- LOVE is the most fun you can have without laughing-unknown. Thank you for the laughs and the love. Happy Valentine's Day! Love, Zoopies.



KITTYCAT, MY heart beats for yours when you gaze into my eyes, with your arms around me our souls intertwine. I love you, Daddy-O.



WES, I just wanted to wish you a very happy Valentine's Day! I Love You! Reagan.



I THINK I'm the luckiest woman on earth to have "perfection" as my boyfriend. Loosing you would make the mama really sad. I will always love you! You're one of a kind! Love, the mama.

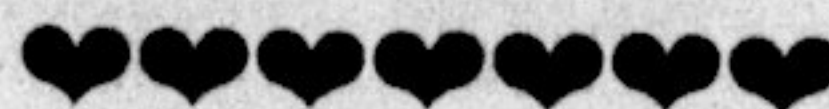


DEWAYNE, THANK you for all you do for me. You are so special to me. I love you so much, forever and always! Love Sarah



DEAR RYAN, you are the love of my life. I will love you always. Happy Valentine's Day Love Marcy.

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DEAR RANDI: I love you very much. Thank you for loving me for all these years and for being my inspiration. Love Ryan



FRANCES, HAPPY Valentine's Day. I love you so much. You mean everything to me. Wishing us many more Valentine's Day's I love you, Jeff.



TURKEY, AS our lives progress, never stop remembering those two tiny clouds. They will carry us through anything. Te Amo.



MGM, HAPPY Valentine's Day Baby! I just wanted to say thank you for everything this past year. I Love You, MDM.



HOLLY, I'VE got the perfect combination: you, me, Pugstein, a ring, a yellow beetle, and Florida FOREVER Just say yes. I love you always, Dan.



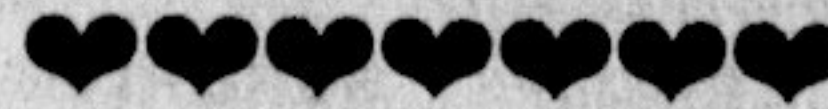
SCOTT, HAPPY Valentine's Day and happy Anniversary! I love you cutie! I hope you're surprised! Love ya, Charlotte.



TIF, WILL you be mine forever? Here's to many more Valentine's Days together I Love You, Love Pat P.S. Can you hear the dolphins cry?



TIM, HAPPY Valentine's Day and year anniversary. My life was incomplete until I met you. Your my best friend. I'll never stop loving you.



RANDY, MEET me Monday for dinner 8:30, my place. Bring a fork and a smile. Love, your polka-dotted sweetie.



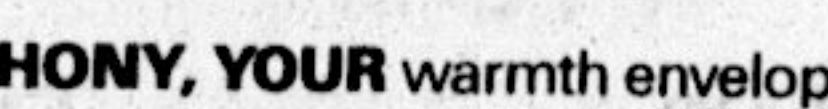
WANDA, TO the best wife and flower I will ever need, with love from the weed and husband of your life, Chris.



NICHOLAS FEARL you will never know how much I love you. But, our 4 years together is a small sign of that love. D.B.



MIKE F- You mean the world to me! Happy Valentine's Day! I love you! Thanks for everything you do for me!



ANTHONY, YOUR warmth envelopes, your kiss entrances, and your loving disposition completes me- Your gentleness and patience has enabled my spirit to fantasize of dreams I'd long ago forgotten and surfaced them for discovery once more. You are heaven sent. I adore you! All my love, Christy.



MARC, YOUR heart warms my soul. Your smile lights my night. Thanks for sticking by me and keeping all your promises. I love you, Lesley.



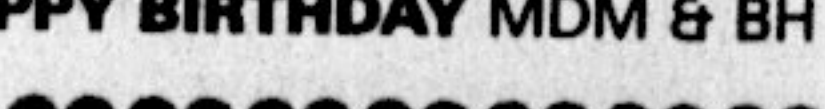
MIKE, THANKS for such a wonderful Valentine's Day last year. I want to give you something special this year. Thanks for being so wonderful, I Love You honey! Love Hilary.



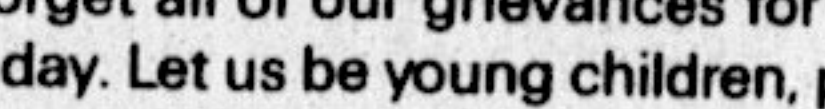
ALLIE, FOR all the time we have shared together. Here is to seeing the world and all the adventures we will experience Love, Eddie.



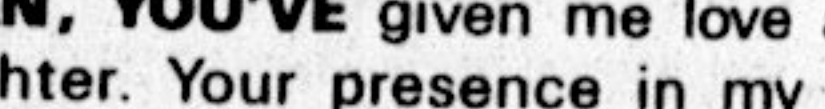
KAT, LOVE ya girl! Return of the mack Love Cliffie.



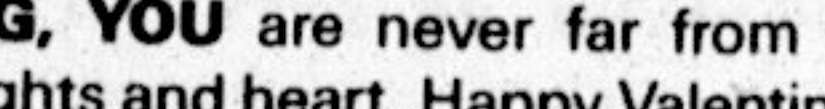
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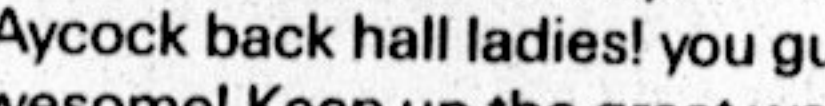
SWEET CAREEN, My Valentine, let us forget all of our grievances for this one day. Let us be young children, pure in love and high on life. Happy Valentine's Day. James



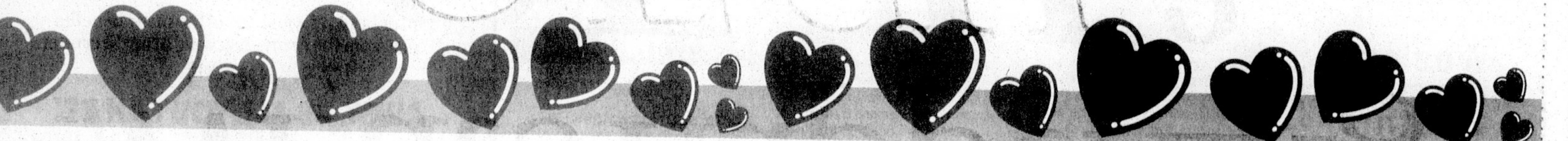
RYAN, YOU'VE given me love and laughter. Your presence in my life makes each day sweeter than the last, Christy.



GREG, YOU are never far from my thoughts and heart. Happy Valentine's Day with love! wwww



HAPPY VALENTINE'S Day! To 3rd floor Aycock back hall ladies! you guys are awesome! Keep up the great work! Love Amanda.



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at the corner of 5th and memory

Patrick McMahon
Entertainment Editor

Way back in the early to mid-'70s, Greenville was a completely different entity to the ECU student. Back then, the massive, national retail chains and outlets that dot the areas surrounding campus did not exist and Greenville Boulevard was just three lanes of unfettered road (kind of hard to believe now). The town was just that: a town. The "City of Greenville" was years away and the university was pretty much the biggest thing going.

Highway 264 was a two-lane stretch of desolate space that led right into the heart of the city, which was, for better or worse, the ECU campus. The legal drinking age was still 18, the war was raging and with that brought notions of the male college student desperately trying to maintain good status so he wouldn't have to be sent off to die in someone else's war.

The air was different then. It was a nervous, yet excited air and downtown Greenville was right there to cater to the college kids' need for entertainment and distraction from the world around them.

Many of ECU's current students had parents here at about that time and trust me, from what I found out, they had it a lot better then than we do now, as far as downtown goes. It is pretty much a crap shoot to decide where to start. So much has changed in Greenville over the last 25 years that it truly was an undertaking in futility to track down every bit of info on every downtown establishment over the last couple of decades. So I'm going to try to narrow it down to the interesting stuff.

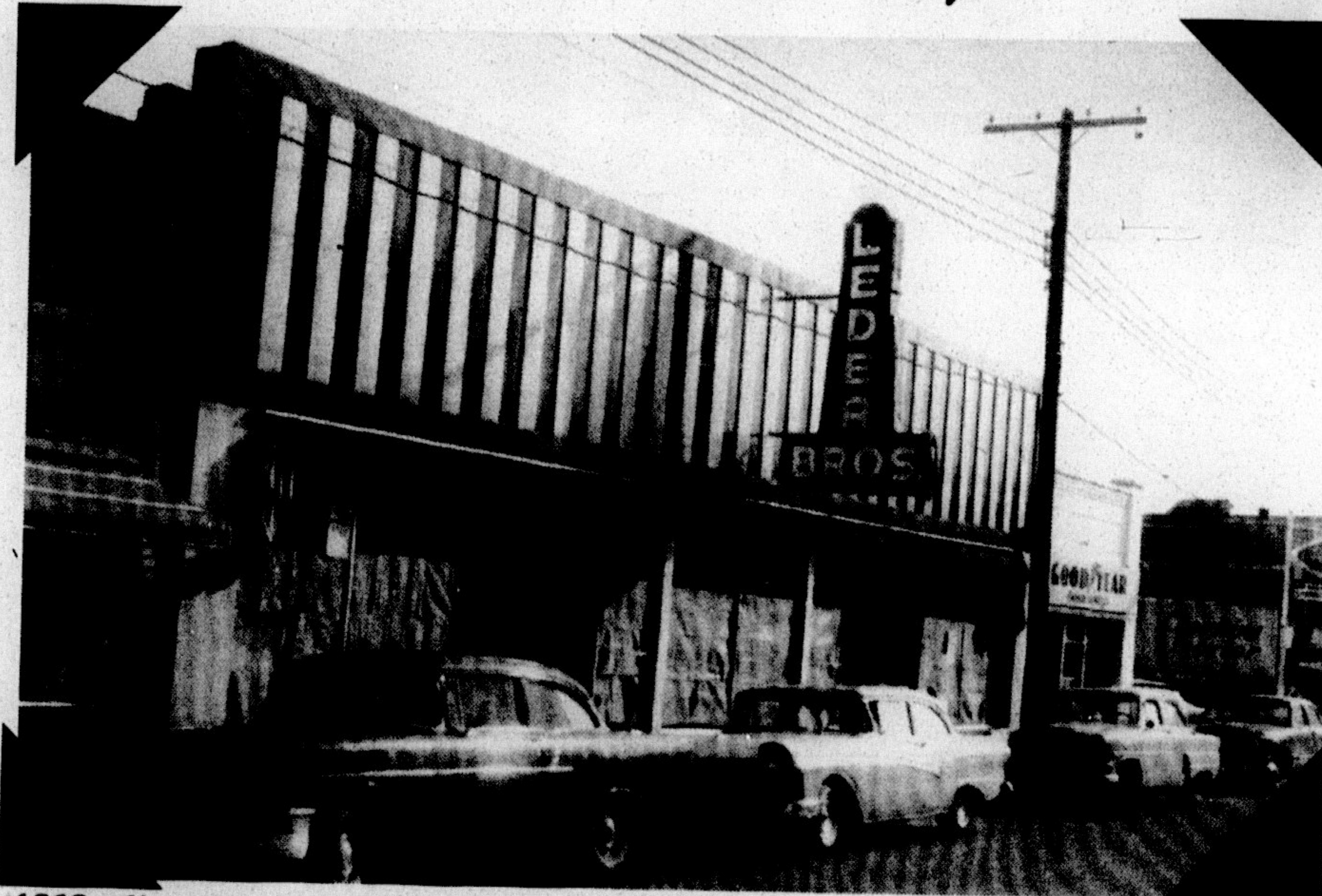
Each and every building downtown has seen a remarkable array of different businesses, and many have come and gone with the passage of time. The Cellar has seen some of the most dramatic changes over the years, from being a quiet eatery to the dance haven it is now. From the late '60s to early '70s, the building has housed about five different establishments, all owned and maintained by various members of the Saieed family.

When it comes to downtown Greenville, you don't have to look too far to find an establishment that a particular family didn't have a

hand in maintaining or running. Back in the '60s, the Saieeds were the first ones to bring pizza to Greenville. They even supplied pizzas to the campus for a spell of time. The Cellar was actually a Chevy dealership before the Saieed family came into the picture.

Before it was turned into The Cellar, the building served as a restaurant called Fiddlers III. Jolly Rogers Disco took over the building during the mid-'70s disco craze, which later became Rafters, a rock 'n' roll bar. After that, the building was turned into Bogies, a theme restaurant and bar, before finally becoming The Cellar that it is now. In fact, there are about 400 squares left over from the disco days that are individually lit just like the dance floor from Saturday Night Fever. Believe it or not, the owner is thinking about bringing it back out if the demand is high enough.

Another downtown mainstay that just recently relocated to the collection of shops by the Harris Teeter on Charles Boulevard is Scully's. Specializing in eclectic material and used music, the owners had maintained a downtown presence since approximately 1981, when it was located in the BW-3's courtyard in a building that has since burned down. Known as Quicksilver



1968 - the current Sports Pad location, before Boli's was built. (photo courtesy of Roger Kammerer)

to bet you a thousand bucks you'd never guess the building used to be a horse stable. Go figure.

Back before the drinking age was 21, the bars would have Happy Hours from about 4 p.m.-6 p.m. that the college kids used to attend after their classes got out. The students would go in the afternoon to drink and socialize, then go

booming in those days until the governor's office got involved and squashed that idea. For more on Pipe Dreams, check out 1998's edition of ECU's annual arts publication The Rebel for a personal account of it. Also, the location that now houses Chico's was called Jason's, which was nothing more than a regular hang-out for the college crowd that had cheap sandwiches and good beer on tap. BW-3's was formerly a Belk's department store.

Probably the biggest, most well-known downtown establishment in Greenville was The Elbo Room. We all know about The Elbo from our orientation days, but how many of you know that it was still in the same location in 1970? It hasn't moved or renamed itself in 30 years—up until a few weeks ago, that is. It is now Cabana's, a retro and top 40 dance club. From what I understand, it is a pretty nice place.

The music scene hasn't changed much over the years. The Attic, Greenville's most popular and longest lasting name in music, has withstood the test of time. After existing in its present location for a few years after its initial opening, it moved to a building that burned to the ground not long after it moved in. After that, it returned to the

present locale and has been there ever since. It has seen numerous major acts pass through its doors. From the Pointer Sisters to Widespread Panic to Jeff Foxworthy, the possibility of seeing a major talent in the making at The Attic is pretty much a given.

Some buildings have humorous histories. Backdoor used to be called Super Ego, which was a hair salon and barber shop. Tiki Bar was formally a Goodyear Supply store and The Sports Pad was Leder Brothers, a clothing store.

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1958 - 5th Street from the future Alfredo's. (photo courtesy of Roger Kammerer)

Records, it was mainly a music shop but also catered to other interests. At the same time, the owners maintained Eponymous Books—Progressive Reading For The Unfettered Mind before Barnes and Noble came in and squashed most of the bookstores in the downtown area and across town. I'd be willing

home and sober up and come back at night when the bars' late shift worked. Can you imagine doing that today?

Some more points of interest: Alfredo's II used to be a head shop called Pipe Dreams, specializing in "tobacco accessories" (aka bongos and bowls). The business was



1918 - before Peasant's. (photo courtesy of Roger Kammerer)

Living in the PAST

Students get a taste of life in the trenches

D. Miccah Smith
FH Assistant Editor

It's cold outside, but you're sweating, tense, kneeling in a crude trench cut out of the earth. You're in a forest; gray winter trees have been dragging at your skin and clothes all day as you march through a rural area lugging an old-fashioned rifle, the unfamiliar heaviness of the weapon weighing your shoulder down. You're tired from digging and crouching and running, but all you can do now is peer over a mound of earth, rifle loaded, and hope you can squeeze off a shot at your enemies before they attack.

Suddenly, a figure darts out from behind a bush. You brace your rifle, but he shoots first. You jerk back, then slump into the damp dirt at the bottom of the trench, eyes closed. You hear the crunch of boots on mulch as the enemy walks over to have a look at you.

"Good game!" he says. "Now, it's our turn to defend!" Welcome to the rough-and-tumble world of war re-enactment, a living time machine of sorts for those with minds—and bodies—tough enough to give the gorier parts of history another shot.

The American obsession with war has created a new pastime: the art of meticulously recreating uniforms, combat units and battlefield scenes from history's most documented conflicts.

Groups from all over the country train like soldiers and spend countless dollars on authentic uniforms (called "impressions") and weaponry. They converge on a single point at a single moment in time, usually for a weekend, where they recreate a specific point in war history together.

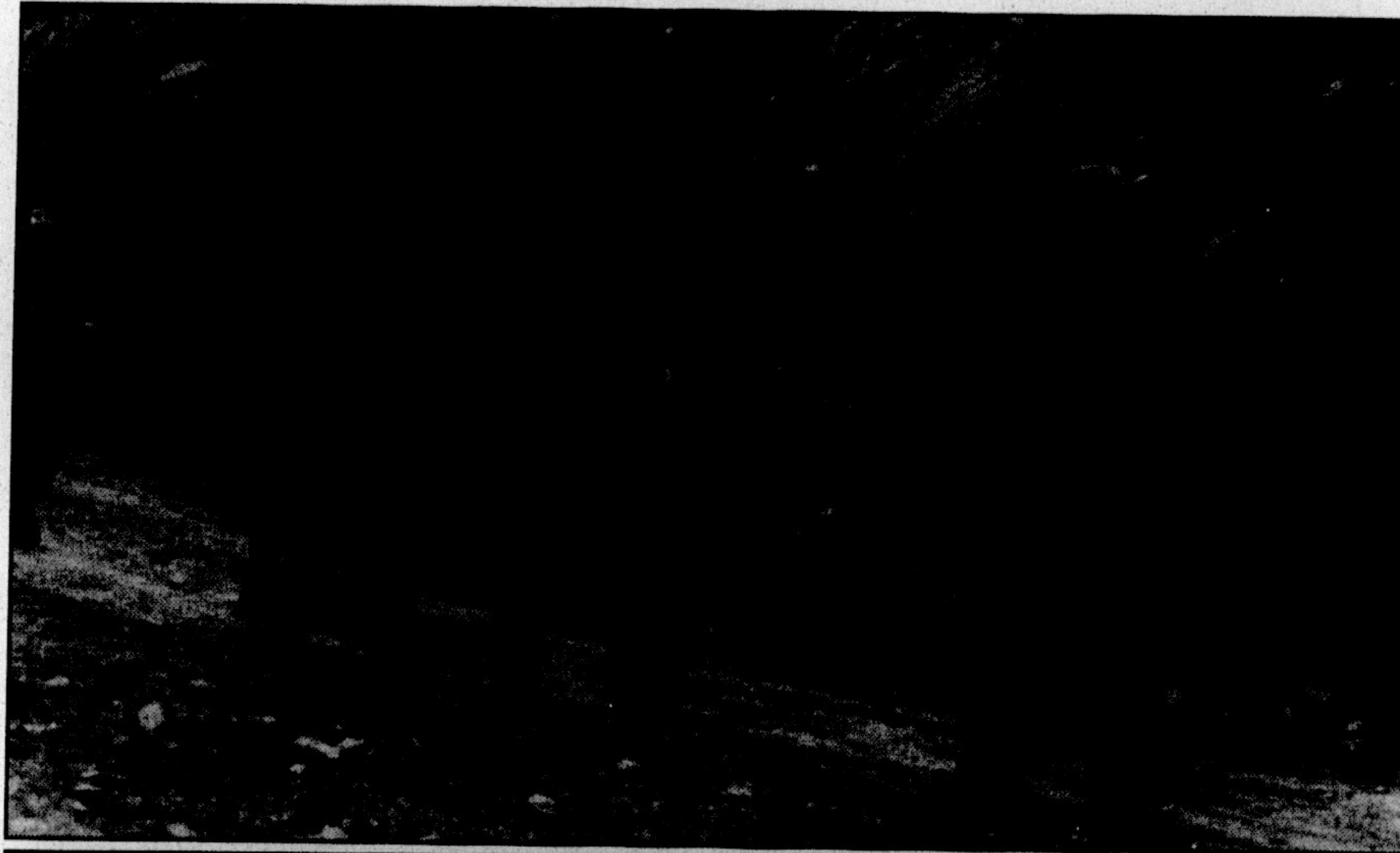
To a younger generation raised on Rambo movies, skilled at comparing "Apocalypse Now" to "Saving Private Ryan" and mesmerized by unreal portrayals of the kind of full-scale war they're likely never to encounter, re-enactment is surprisingly addictive. A small group of die-hard ECU re-enactors lives for its brutal shock.

Senior political science major Andy Vincent calls re-enactments "a perfect chance to learn history." He's been involved in re-enactments, mostly of the World War II persuasion, for two years.

"When you're in the event and you're in the woods for an entire weekend with 200 people, all of the same era, everyone is trying to recreate history," Vincent said. "You really start to believe that you're a part of it. People avoid any references to the real world."

Re-enactors delve into a small, concentrated moment in history, aligning themselves with a particular army and living in the frenzy of a pitched battle for the weekend, using authentic firearms or replicas to fire blanks above each other's heads during combat. They get an education about war that books could never show them.

"I like the action part," said Luke Sanders, 25, who majored in Spanish. "It's fun. Instead of going to class, you go out in a field, and you pick up a gun and you shoot at people ... You learn a lot about history and culture, and you get to participate in an active way."



There is nothing like being in uniform, holding a rifle and knowing that you're authentic, being a woman in uniform, holding a rifle and shooting at Nazis."

Treadway, who has re-enacted World War I and the Revolutionary and Civil Wars, is a veteran to the very real emotions shared by re-enactors, a wave of experience that probably draws more "soldiers" than anything else.

"It's a fairly safe but intense environment that creates a remarkably accurate view of combat," Treadway said. "When you're in a forest, and several guys outfitted as Germans open-fire on you with machine guns, your mind tells you that they're just blanks, but your emotions scream, 'Fight or flight' and dump adrenaline into your system. It's an incredible high."

Although quite popular with re-enactors, World War II is only a plot point on a time line. If a battle was fought, it's re-enactment fodder for some dedicated group. Unbeknownst to most Americans, the United States is a vast playground for the re-enactors, who tear through fields and forests from Pennsylvania to Oregon to Ohio, girded in everything from Medieval armor to Vietnam-era camouflage. Across the pond the mania is just as apparent. Not even Ireland or

**Top- re-enactors march in full battle gear
Bottom- pretend Germans take pretend Russian POWs. (file photos)**

Senior history major Kevin Treadway currently leads a unit of three or four re-enactors in a series of drills, practice runs and work sessions on a rural tract of land 20 minutes outside Greenville. With his help, they are meshing into a historically accurate group capable of holding their own in some large-scale re-enactments this year.

Most wars, especially those in the distant past, pose expensive challenges to re-enactors on college students' budgets. Making or purchasing a perfect "impression" requires money and luck. That's why the ECU group sticks to World War II. Their army of choice? Russian.

"It's the cheapest," said Treadway, who enjoys portraying a World War II-era Russian. "You can get a decent impression for around \$150."

"The Russian army basically destroyed some of the best German formations during the war," Treadway said. "The Eastern front was a big meat-grinder for the German army."

The Russian army is also a convenient choice for Lisa O'Donnell, a senior computer science major. Since Russia was the only army during the war, and throughout most of history, to actually employ female soldiers during combat, she, unlike most female re-enactors, needs not disguise her femininity on the battlefield.

O'Donnell says the feeling is "liberating and empowering."

Wales are safe from stern-faced Roman armies and bands of Celts waving battle-axes.

Nonetheless, realism and respect for war are at the heart of re-enactment, and if it's done right, it contains some of the essence of war that so fascinates our generation. A battle can become real; a college student can become a soldier for one day.

"If you allow yourself to fully participate, you realize the horror," Vincent said. "You literally stop having a future. You're just in the battle."

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What I did on my spring break

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Today's destination: New Orleans

New Orleans: there's no other city like it. It is a city where there's music and a blend of cultures in the streets. It is a city of muses, voodoo queens and author Anne Rice's fabled vampires.

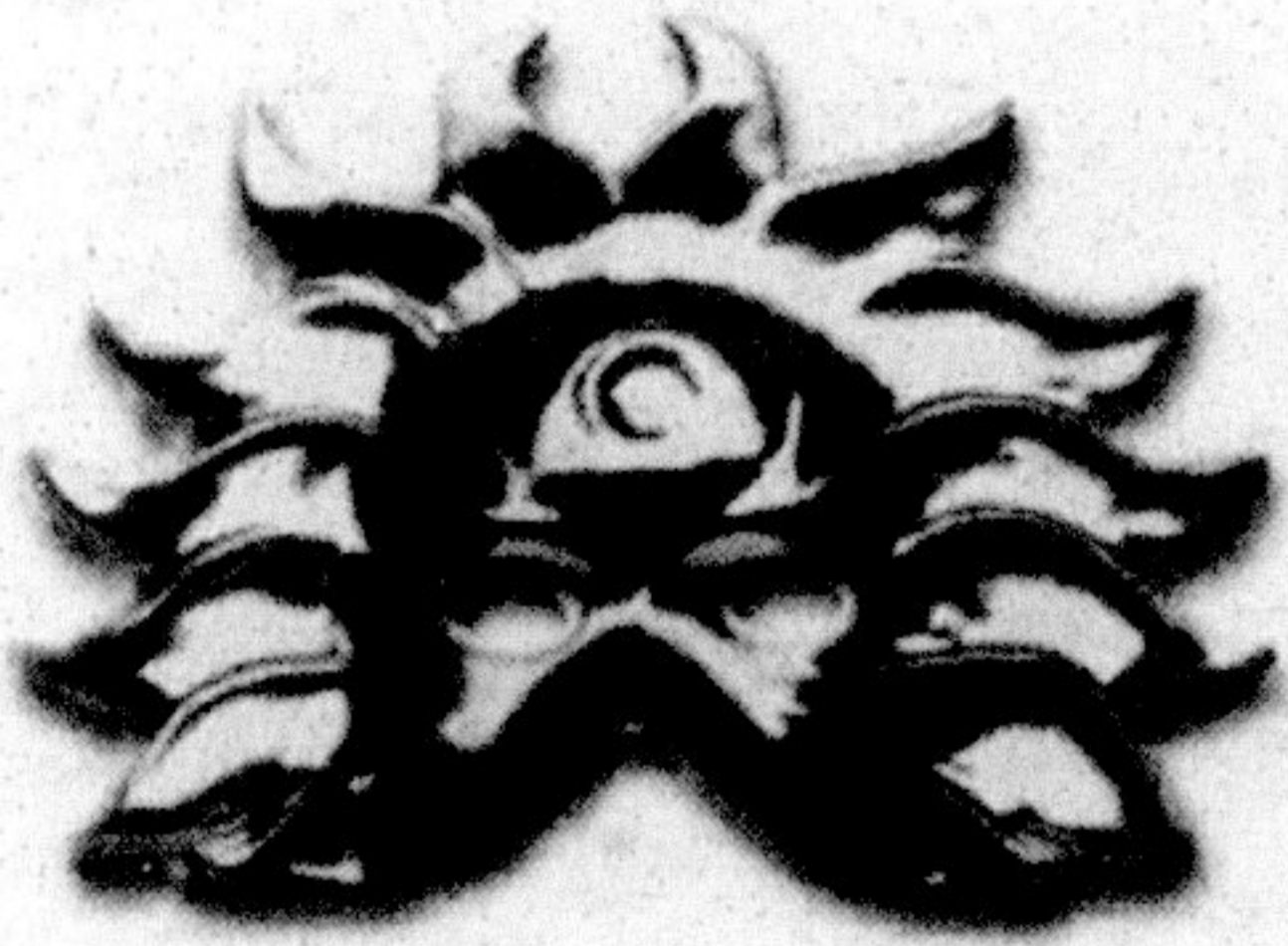
It is a wonderful place to travel, full of night life, Cajun cuisine and a history rich as the city itself. When going to New Orleans, the birthplace of jazz, you can party in the streets as well as the various clubs. What better place than this to spend a week off from school?

New Orleans is original in that it is legal to drink in the streets. With sleazy Bourbon Street strip clubs and hip uptown blues, the streets are usually a cacophony of sounds. With a 24-hour-long drinking day, the music often doesn't get going until midnight or after. It is one of the best places in the nation for night life. New Orleans has a superb live music scene, a plethora of amazing festivals and cool bars. The cover in the bars can go from as low as non-existent to as high as \$15, so it is common to gather outside some of the bars with a drink to go and dance in the streets.

Here are some of the places you should check out if you choose to head to New Orleans for Spring Break:

Pat O'Brien's—Located on Bourbon Street in the French Quarter, it's the birthplace of the drink, hurricane, and a wonderful place where anything can be, and usually is, seen.

Funky Butt—Located on North Rampart Street, this place is great for live music. It is a stylish jazz club, which resembles an art deco bordello. Cover is about \$10.



Donna's—On North Rampart Street, this is a hip place where you can get both barbecue and the sounds of brass bands.

Mid City Lanes—Located on South Corrolton Street, this place is as kooky as New Orleans itself, only here can you

find zydeco bands playing a packed dance floor alongside bowling lanes.

Tipitina's—Located on Napoleon Avenue, this place is for those who want to experience the Cajun music scene. Tipitina's hosts a variety of bands ranging from the small Cajun types to some of the biggest acts.

New Orleans' music has been shaped from a diverse heritage of African Slave music, Civil War brass bands, plantation spirituals and work songs. Names to look for while in New Orleans are Charamaine Neville, Nicholas Payton and James Andrew, to name a few. During the day, you can travel to the Preservation Hall

where Dixieland Jazz plays. In a small room, about 20-foot-wide and 20-foot-deep benches are set up for the audience to listen to the Dixieland Jazz for a small donation.

New Orleans is also known for its rich flavor of food. There are Cajuns spices blended, crawfish served everywhere and fried frog legs for the more daring tourists. But for the most part, you can find gumbo, a thick soup consisting of a blend of seafood, chicken, vegetables or a combination of the three and jambalaya. The food is spicy and very Creole, coming from a blend of French, Spanish, African and Cajun cultures.

New Orleans has maintained a European influence in its reputation for good coffee (just a hint: Never order it black). Here are some top picks for places you should go to eat when you're there:

Dooky Chase's—Found on New Orleans Avenue. It has what we traditionally call Soul food, and Black Creole.

Acme Oyster Bar—Located on Iberville Street, this restaurant serves po-boys, fresh crawfish (which you have to try at least once while in New Orleans) and oysters which are shucked on marble counters. Very reasonably priced.

Galatorie's—On the famed Bourbon Street. Top-of-the-range Creole food served in a mirror-lined dining room, but if you go there during the evening or on Sunday a jacket and tie is required.

Bayona—Dauphine Street, reasonably priced with funky creative Southwest entrees mixed with the Creole dishes.

Cafe Du Monde—Translated literally to mean the "world's coffee," this is a big must. Located on Decatur Street, in the French Market, it is a 24-hour cafe with cafe au lait and wonderful, light beignets (pronounced ben-yah), sugary doughnuts you can dine on for only a few bucks.

Eating and drinking are not the only things to do in New Orleans. During the day, while recovering from your night out, there are so many great

places to see, such as the Marie Laveau Voodoo Museum. You can take the Carleton Street trolley cart to the Garden District, which is a beautiful array of houses, one of which belongs to author Anne Rice, and come back to the Quarters (what people there call the French quarters) and shop on the streets to find bargains. Like the old saying goes: eat, drink and be merry for tomorrow we may die. In New Orleans you can accomplish the eating, drinking and being merry. The city is odd, eccentric and fun.

For more information about restaurants, festivals and hotels, go to <http://explore-New-Orleans.com>.

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Bigger models strut new lingerie

NEW YORK (AP) — For years, supermodel Kate Dillon starved herself to be thin. Then she got fed up. She started eating and stopped working as a "skinny model."

Today, the 5-foot-11-inch, 175-pound Dillon is showing off revealing lingerie on the runway as part of retailer Lane Bryant's effort to kick off Cacique — its new line of plus-size lingerie and sleepwear.

Lane Bryant, which already carries plus-size clothing, hopes to make an impres-

sion with its thongs, plunging lace bras and sleepwear for women sized 14 to 28.

The national chain publicized a Wednesday night Webcast of its "intimate runway show" in major newspapers and trade publications. Its ads featured generously proportioned women stripping down to their underwear, and the words: "Big girls take back the night."

The runway show, held Tuesday in New York, included the likes of former Playboy Playmate of the Year Anna Nicole Smith, actress Kathy

Najimy of the NBC show "Veronica's Closet" and Mia Tyler, daughter of Aerosmith's Steven Tyler. Before and after the show, movies of women posing seductively blanketed the walls of the packed studio.

Like most lingerie runway shows, this one had models, most close to 6 feet tall, strutting to the beat and sporting garter belts, bustiers, camisoles and see-through nightgowns.

But unlike those typically seen on television and in magazines, some of these

models had cellulite and stretch marks.

"They are very sexy, even if they are bigger," said audience-member Corrado Speziali. "A slim model gives you the wrong idea."

But slim models have been the norm until recently.

"You couldn't have done this five years ago," said Julie Lewit, founder of Mode magazine, which is targeted at plus-size women. "There was no one manufacturing the clothes and no retailers selling them."

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"I want room service!
I want the club sandwich.
I want the cold Mexican
beer. I want the \$10,000-
a-night hooker! I want my
shirts laundered."
—Johnny Mnemonic

LOOK what we found!

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The remote just doesn't seem to be the gateway to adventure that it once was. If it weren't for the Sci Fi Channel's "Farscape," TV would be a wasteland of reliable comedy and romantic struggle, tempered with the occasional pro-wrestling match or all-out-expose on the latest scandal to hit the cover of the Inquirer. I am a connoisseur of television, and I haven't been excited by anything in months.

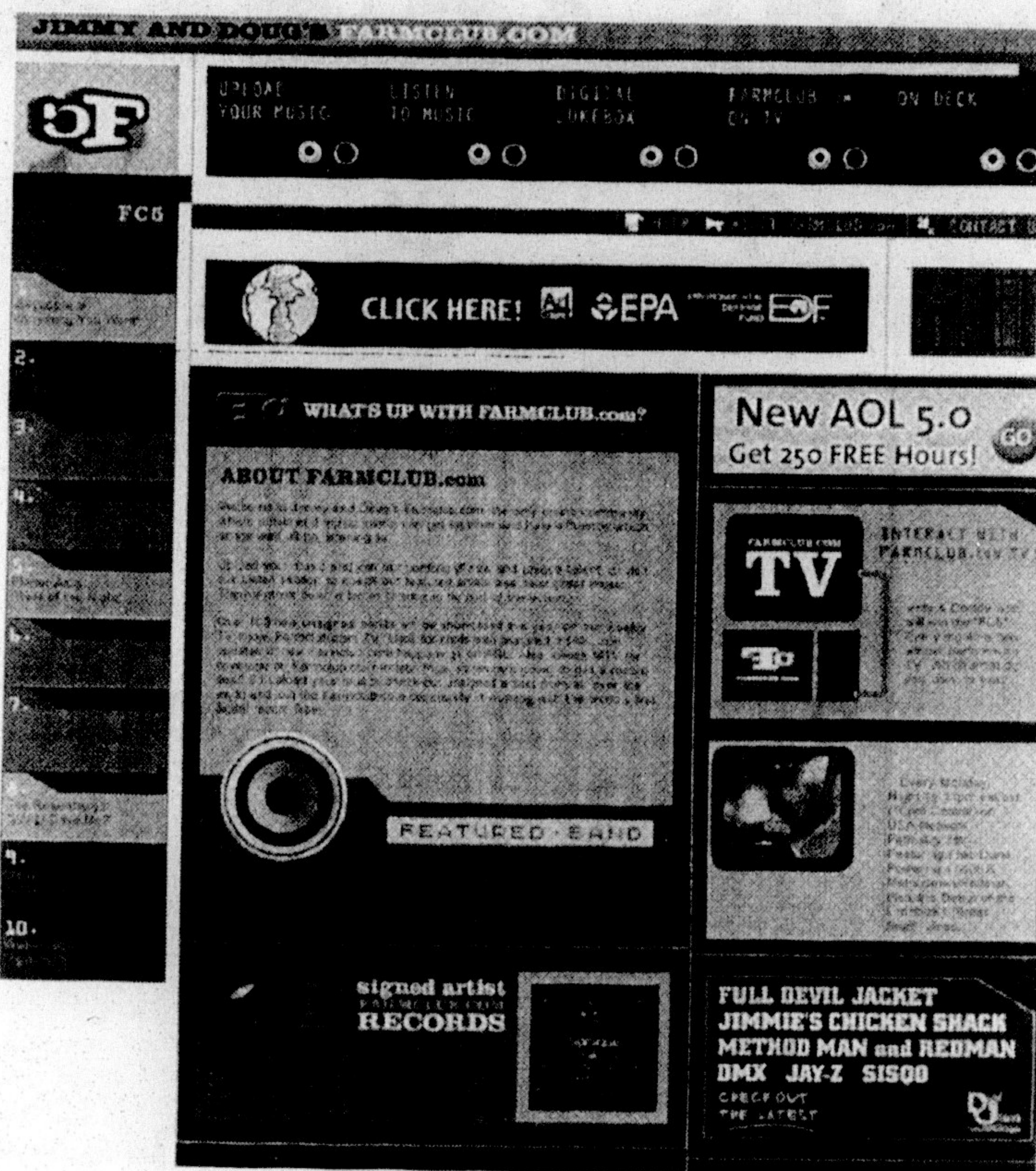
All that changed last Monday night when I returned from doing the laundry to find Eminem and Dr. Dre performing an incredible rendition of "Forgot About Dre" on USA. When they stepped off the stage to do an interview with the great Matt Pinfield, I turned up the volume and took a seat.

The show is called "Jimmy and Doug's Farmclub," and it's a modern piece of artistic genius. The first of its kind, the program is a totally interactive welcome wagon for the new century.

It all begins on the Web site, Farmclub.com, where unsigned bands upload their songs to a database. Anyone can log

onto the site, listen to the songs and vote on which performers they'd like to see on the show. The winners get a visit from Matt Pinfield and a one-time gig on the Farmclub stage, in front of a TV audience of millions. The big winners get a record deal too.

In between the new acts, Farmclub schedules current favorites. The premiere included two energy-charged performances from Eminem and Dr. Dre, as well as a mushy version of "I Do," by 98 Degrees, fueled by screaming girls in the front row. The boy band's performance was the only nod to MTV to interrupt the tone of the program; it was a little out of place for a show that seeks out true musical talent. And anyone who's heard Pinfield's Limp Bizkit tirade knows he must have been slamming his head into



farmclub.com: the homepage. (world wide web photo)

a wall the whole way through the song.

98 Degrees, in fact, was the only band he didn't interview. They got to talk to

the Doritos girl who was in their video, one of two hot chicks flanking the Bald Man during the show. He did sit down with Eminem and Dre, as

well as the new bands before they performed and as they left the stage. It was one long easy-going discussion about good music with the man who knows more about it than anyone else from MTV land.

The best thing about the show is its uncensored feel. Definitely not a program for the kiddies, hence its late-night scheduling, musicians are not made to change their lyrics, no matter how violent or disgusting. Although heavy cuss words are silenced, the words are still allowed to be said onstage, and the content of the song is never touched, like the cheesy radio version of Everlast's "Ends," where we're not even allowed to hear "smoke" when "weed" is scratched out.

98 Degrees aside, there is no foolish MTV act here. This is all about the music and striving musicians. Rock bands, singing DJs, metalheads, punk rockers—it doesn't matter. Someone has finally produced music television worth watching.

Farmclub comes on Monday nights at 11 p.m. on USA. I urge you strongly to see it. If you don't have cable, this, if repeated showings of "Back to the Future" isn't enough, should be reason to get it. Screw MTV. They've been overshadowed by something better.

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College students play to eat like a millionaire

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — "Who Wants to Eat Like a Millionaire?"

Dozens of Philadelphia college students do, and were hungry enough to bring their appetites to campus Thursday to compete for a six-course French meal in a crystal-lit room surrounded by silk-covered walls at one of Philadelphia's best-known restaurants, Le Bec-Fin.

As a spin off of the ABC's "Who Wants to Be a Millionaire," students at the University of Pennsylvania and Drexel University are taking advantage of the quiz craze and organizing their own version of the show to

help bridge the gaps between the students at the two West Philadelphia campuses.

The campus of Penn, the city's claim to Ivy League status, sits just blocks from Drexel, a less prestigious and smaller private institution. The two school's crowds rarely mix, students say. To better school relations, several student associations are coordinating noncompetitive games to be held next week.

The "Who Wants to Eat Like a Millionaire?" game will be conducted very similar to the popular TV show but instead of big cash prizes, the booty will be gift certificates from nearby eateries — like the corner convenience store or a four-star restaurant.

"I'm not particularly a fan of 'Who Wants to be a Millionaire?' but we thought that since the two groups of students live down the block from each other and don't hang out, we would give them the opportunity to meet," said Jon Herrmann, a 21-year-old Wharton senior and co-chairman of Penn's Social Planning and Events Committee.

Participants must choose their prospective dinner date before they compete for the show. The person they choose will also serve as their "phone a friend" life line, Herrmann said. Besides that game, student groups also organized a version of "The Dating Game" to help

motivate more dating between the two groups.

"We wanted to get some love in the air since Valentine's Day is coming up," said 21-year-old Jason McRae, president of the Black Student Union. He pondered organizing "The Dating Game" last year, and finally decided to propose it after discovering that the TV show was founded by Drexel alum Chuck Barris. Winners of this game will win a dinner and a movie date.

Dozens of students registered for the university-funded games over the Internet this week, McRae said. Organizers hope to have about 200 other students gather to watch

the games. "The Dating Game" will take place at Drexel's student center on Feb. 9, and "Millionaire" is happening at Penn's student center on Feb. 10.

"For me personally, I think it sounds kind of cheesy," said Penn history student Greg Jenemann, as he locked up his bicycle on campus. "I already have friends that go to Drexel, but for the most part I think the two schools are just different socially. They're both pretty closed off from one another."

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THINGS TO DO IN GREENVILLE WHEN YOU'RE SOBER

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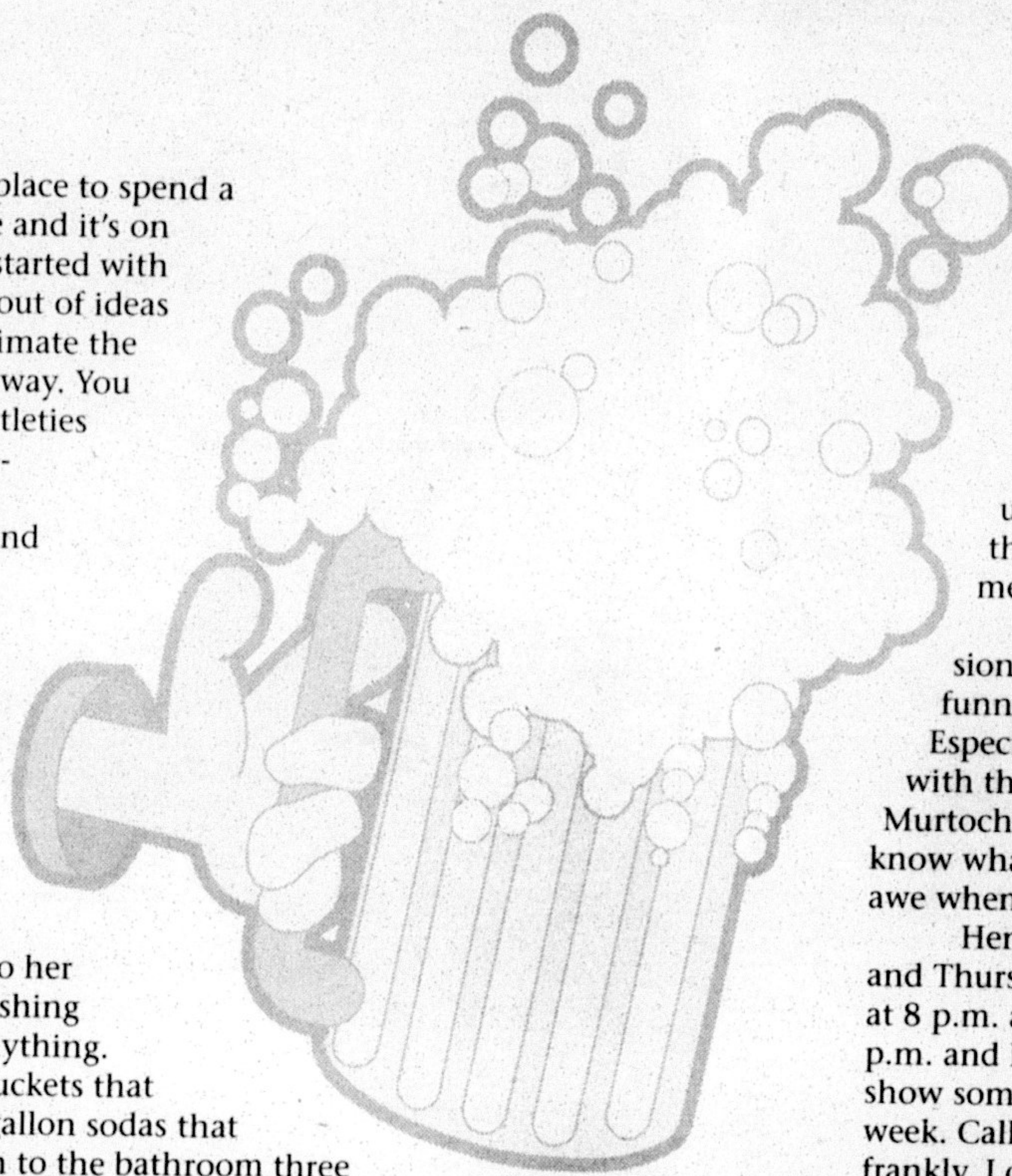
So it's not the most exotic place to spend a clear-headed evening. But it's free and it's on campus and I was afraid that if I started with something more exciting I'd run out of ideas by March. You probably underestimate the value of a Mendenhall movie anyway. You probably don't appreciate the subtleties of watching a recently-released-to-video film with a crowd of loud people who like to throw things and laugh during the serious parts.

So I went to Hendrix last Thursday to see *Runaway Bride*, to prove to you how exciting the experience is, but it wasn't really very exciting. So I'll just talk about the other times I've been to Hendrix to see movies over the years.

It's not like other theaters, where that one girl keeps talking to her boyfriend and everybody keeps flashing her dirty looks but nobody says anything. There are no expensive popcorn buckets that 10 people couldn't consume or 2-gallon sodas that make you have to do the mad dash to the bathroom three times when you think there's a slow part (although the moment you're gone there will be a major plot twist on which the entire comprehension of the film hinges. I know this. I have a small bladder.)

There is, however, The Spot. Here you can buy candy and soda, both of which you can either throw or consume—it's up to you. (By throwing soda, I mean you can suck some up in a straw and then squirt it out at people.) By the time you've finished the previews, you can be so full of Raisinets and caffeine that you're too busy running across the stage naked, screaming, "Look at me! I'm naked!" to pay attention to the gradually building romance that symbolizes man's devotion to his inner child. The Spot also provides one-stop shopping for all freshmen who want to use up their declining balance and gain some of those important 15 pounds at the same time, although you may work them off again while you run around naked.

You never go to Hendrix if you actually want to see a movie. It's kind of like that small party where somebody put in *Howard the Duck* just to have something on TV while everybody talks about how much they hate the foreign language requirement. Hendrix is more like a junior version of "Mystery Science Theater 3000," but with more people. You're basically going to a movie with all these friends you've never met. One time, my freshman year, we were shown a special preview of *Ransom* right before it hit the theaters. Right when Gary Sinese catches a few bullets to the chest, some guy yelled out, in his best *Forrest Gump*: "They shot Lieutenant Dan!" and the whole theater exploded in a giant hysterical convulsion until nobody could possibly have understood the dialogue for about 10 minutes. That is Hendrix. That's



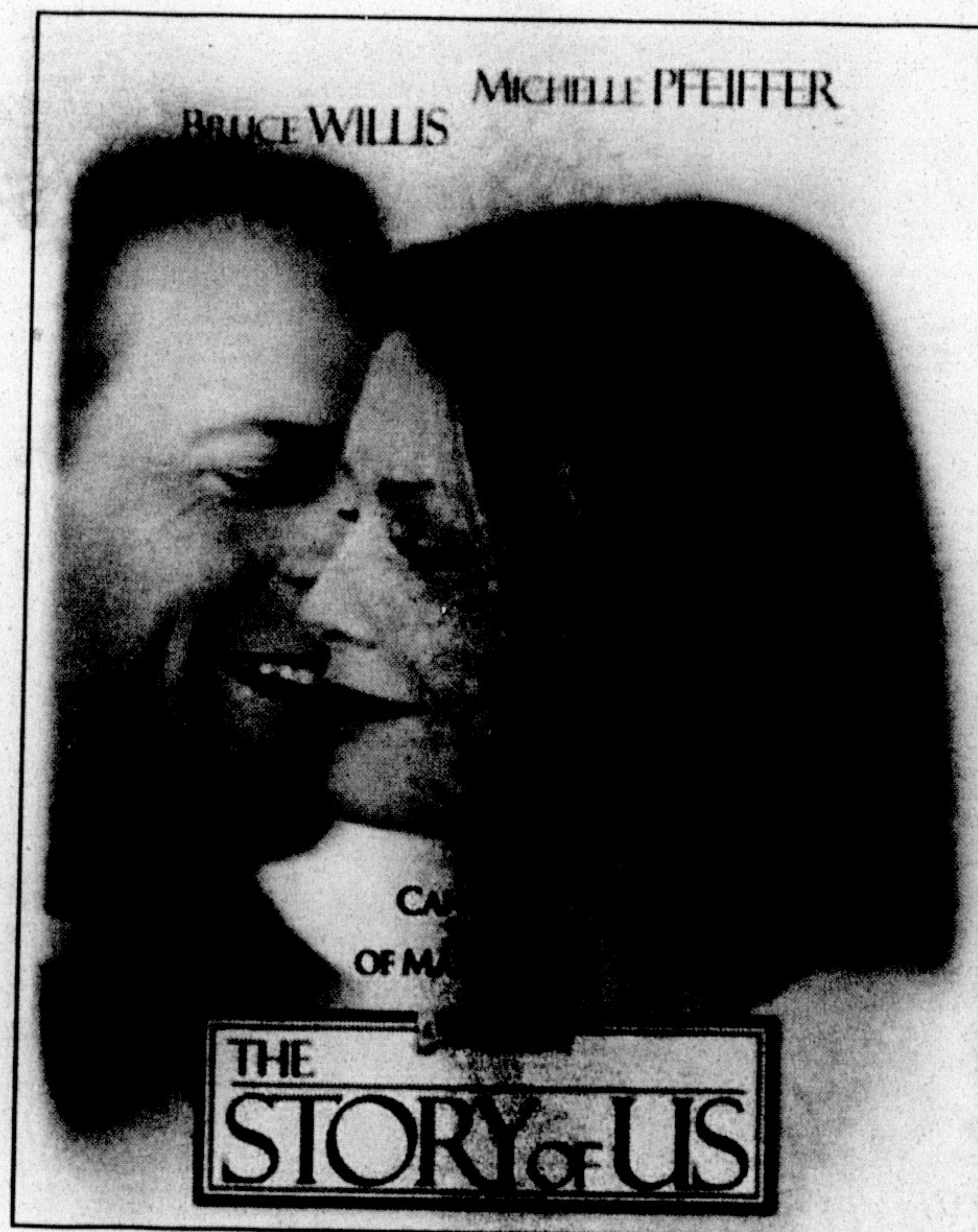
FILMS AT HENDRIX

what makes it fun. Those people who don't shut up, who laugh when the teenagers are murdered in the prime of their innocent youth, who make appropriate jokes in the least appropriate moments—those are the people who make it all worthwhile. Them and that girl who sits downstairs and shushes as loud as she possibly can while the loud people laugh at her and yell even louder. Then she gets really mad and starts cussing them out until they almost get into a fight and the whole theater can't hear the movie. That's entertainment.

Always go to see an action movie. Explosions are better when accompanied by cheers and funny comments, especially *Lethal Weapon* films. Especially the fourth one, where that Chinese guy with the rat tail takes a gun apart and knocks Murtoch and Riggs out with one swift motion. You know what I'm talking about. You sat open-mouthed in awe when it happened, too.

Hendrix shows films on Wednesdays at 7 p.m. and Thursdays at 10 p.m., or is it Fridays and Saturdays at 8 p.m. and Sundays at 3 p.m.? Or Thursdays at 7:30 p.m. and Fridays and Saturdays at 10 p.m.? I guess they show some movies at some time on some day of the week. Call the Student Union for the times because frankly, I can never figure out the schedule over there. The number is 328-4715. Ask for the employee who answers the phone and tell them I sent you.

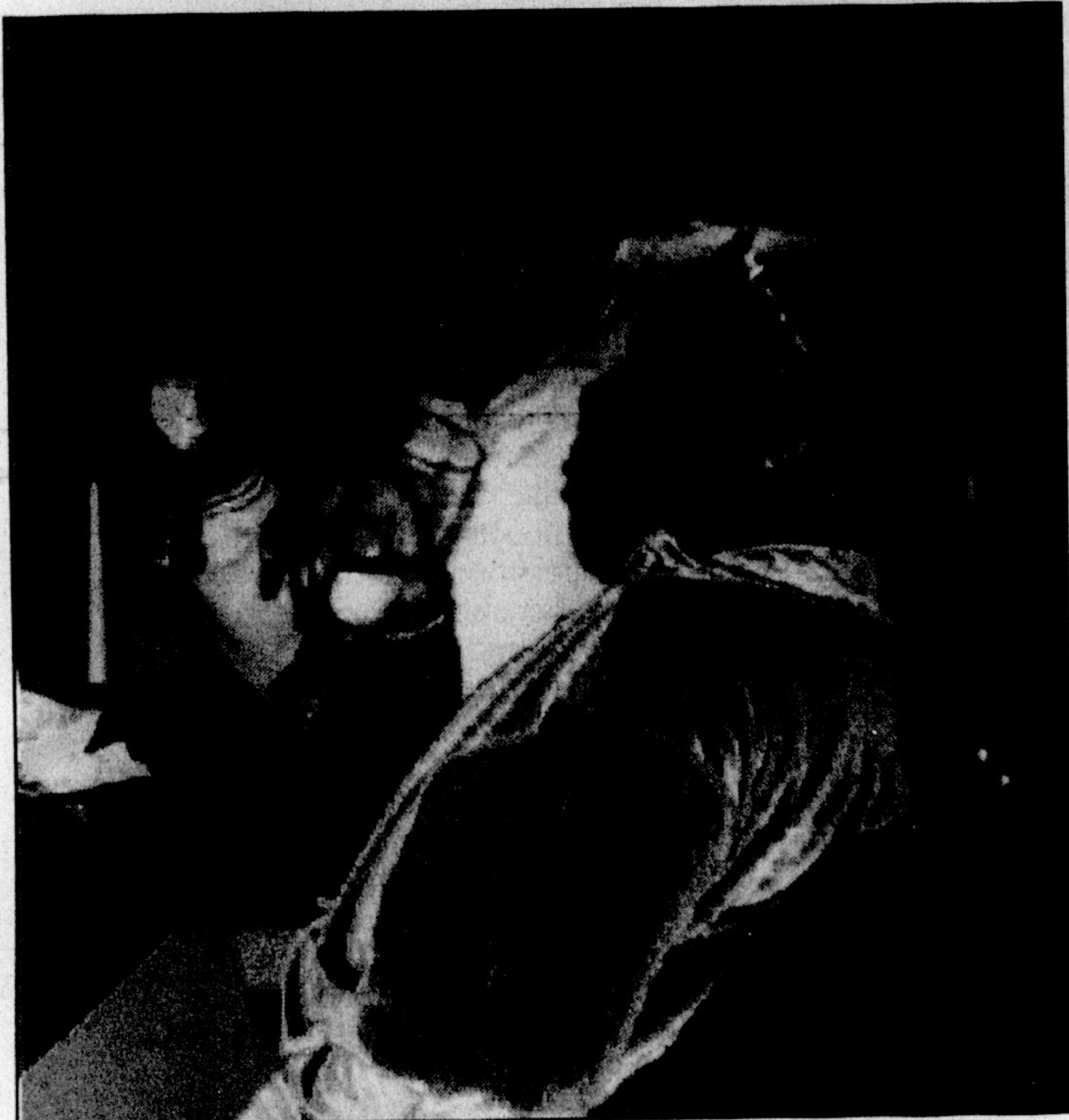
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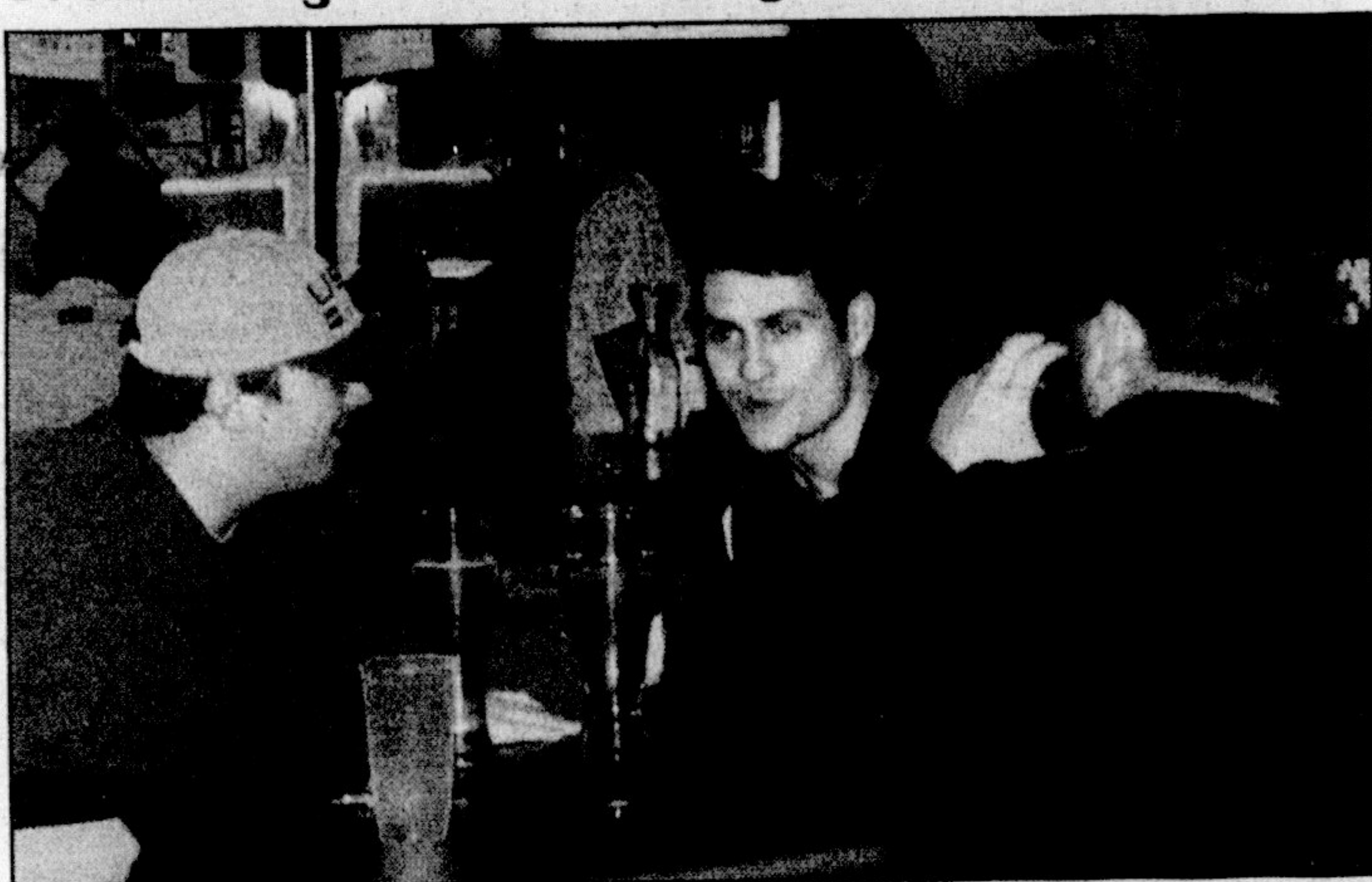
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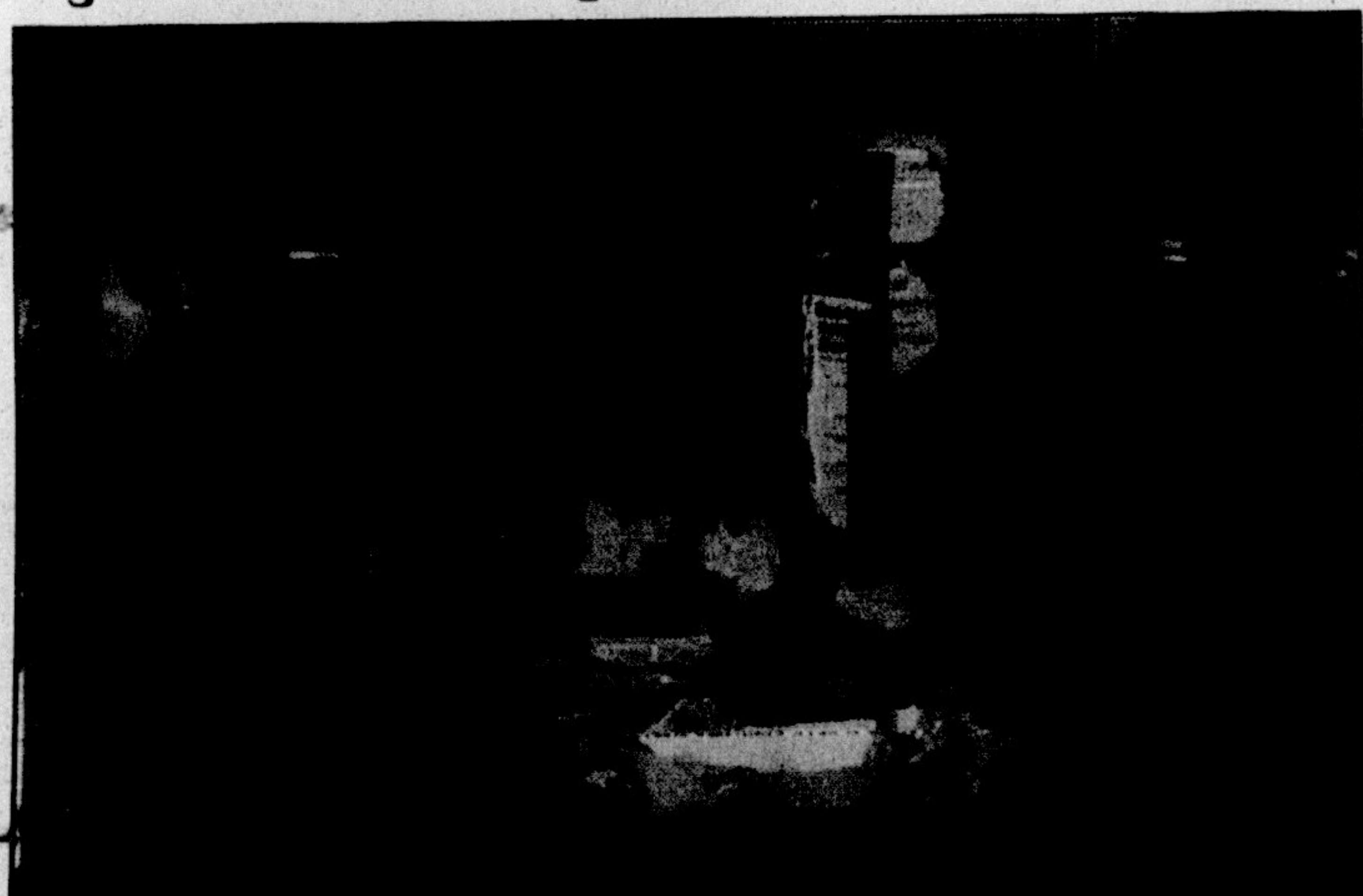
Mmm, blue velvet, a good friend and a mess of hot wings make Tuesday a special time.



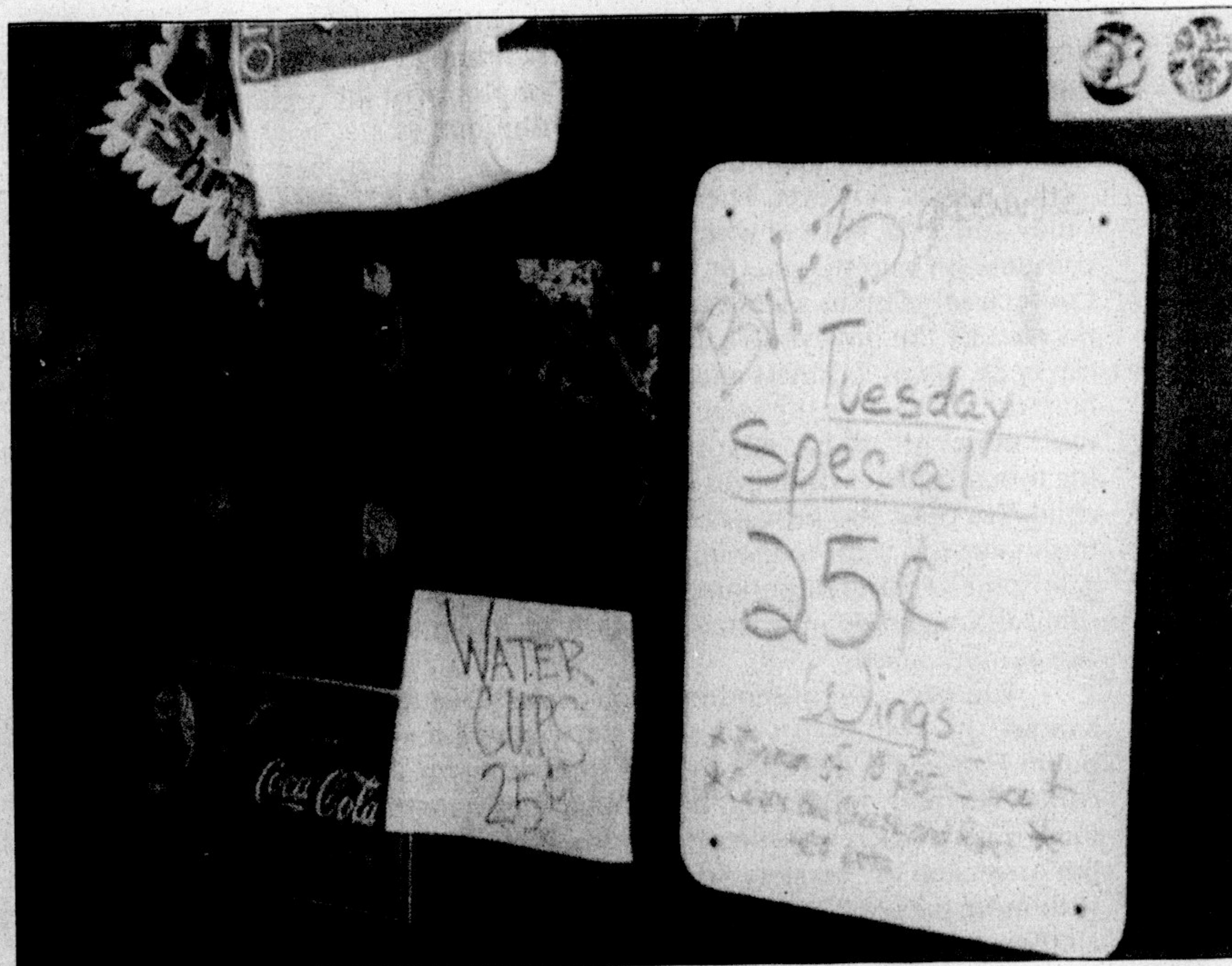
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