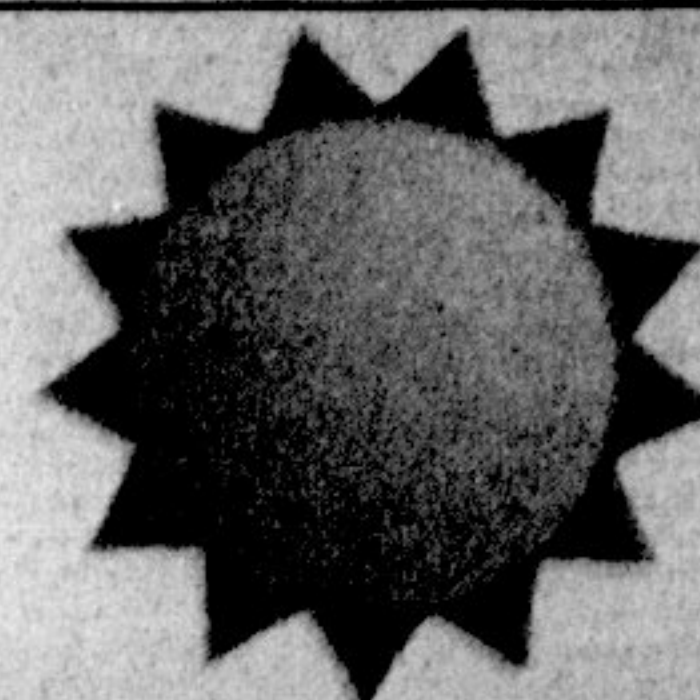


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## NEWS BRIEFS

### Travel film

Filmmaker Grant Foster will narrate his film about Greece and the Aegean Islands today at 4 p.m. and again at 7:30 p.m. in Mendenhall Student Center. An optional theme dinner is also available at 6 p.m. For tickets and information call the Central Ticket Office at 328-4788.

### Public forum

The department of English will conduct a public forum on "Highlighting the Experiences of Vietnam Veterans from Eastern North Carolina," at 6:30 p.m. today in the Willis Building. The forum is the result of a grant from the North Carolina Humanities Council to study African-American experiences in Vietnam. Contact: Sharon Raynor, project director, at 328-6784.

### Shipwreck

John Broadwater, director of the USS Monitor Marine Sanctuary, will be at ECU to talk about the famous Civil War shipwreck located off Cape Hatteras. In his address at 7 p.m., tonight in the Mendenhall Student Center Underground, Broadwater will discuss the future of the shipwreck and the plans for this summer's research expedition to the wreck site. His presentation is sponsored through the ECU Program in Maritime History and Nautical Archaeology. Contact Timothy Runyan at 328-6097.

### Blood drive

The Red Cross will conduct a blood drive from noon-6 p.m., Wednesday, March 1 in Mendenhall Student Center.

### Concert

The Symphonic and Concert bands will perform at 8 p.m., Wednesday, March 1 in Wright Auditorium. The concert is free.

### Disability issues

The annual chat session to discuss disability-related issues and concerns will be held at 3:30 p.m. on Thursday, March 2 in Room 201 in Mendenhall. Topics for discussion include legal issues, testing accommodations, campus services, physical and program accessibility and services provided by the state such as vocational rehabilitation and programs for the blind. Contact ECU Disability Support Services at 328-6799 for more information.

### Mardi Gras

A Mardi Gras celebration will take place from 9 p.m.-2 a.m., Friday, March 3 in Mendenhall. The program is an alcohol alternative event, which will include a casino, bingo, karaoke, a hypnotist show, Cajun food, mask making and dancing. Staff, faculty and members of the community serve in a variety of roles from card dealers to food servers. Contact Heidi Bennekemper at 328-6140.

### Baseball

The Naval Academy will visit ECU for upcoming baseball games with the Pirates. A doubleheader starts at noon Saturday, March 4.

# University plans future campus expansion

## Administrators focus on new facilities

Martina Clyburn  
STAFF WRITER

In accordance with the UNC plan to increase overall system enrollment, ECU is making plans to expand the university's campus.

According to Robert Thompson, director of Planning and Institutional Research, during the past nine months, university consultants have been examining ways to expand the campus while turning it into a pedestrian campus as well. The goal of the university is to increase student enrollment from the present 18,000 students to 27,000 students, along with an additional 300 faculty and staff members.

Thompson said the enrollment is not the key factor for the expansion.

"It doesn't matter whether we grow to 24,000 or 27,000," Thompson said. "Construction is needed because we still need new facilities."

According to Thompson, the university wants to buy an additional 100 acres.

Thompson said the additional acres will affect the community of Greenville through traffic decisions, job increases, more housing arrangements for students and better parking availability on and off campus.

Construction planners have presented three ideas to the university, Thompson said.

The first idea will extend Elm Street to Epps School and Cotanche Street. The second idea



Krisan Osterby-Benson, a campus planner and principal at Ellerbe Becket, answers questions for faculty and staff regarding the master plan. (photo by Emily Richardson)

is simply an extension to the first. It will feature the expansion of Elm Street, but will eliminate Epps School. With that elimination, a Kmart plaza will be eliminated and added to the campus.

The final idea incorporates the area between 10th Street and 14th Street extending to

Cotanche Street.

Dr. Richard Brown, vice chancellor for Administration and Finance said the plans for expansion will be presented to the Board of Trustees (BOT) in May.

"We will not be recommending any specific plan to the BOT until May," Brown said. "Al-

though, during the March meeting we will introduce all three proposals."

The campus master plan will take approximately 10-15 years to complete, but cannot begin until ECU receives money from the state.

Last Friday, in anticipation of

the upcoming legislative session, Chancellor Eakin profiled the university's needs to members of the General Assembly from eastern North Carolina. Legislators toured the Flanagan Building to look into the need for the new

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# City, state funding dependent on Census 2000

## Citizens participate in government survey

Maura Buck  
STAFF WRITER

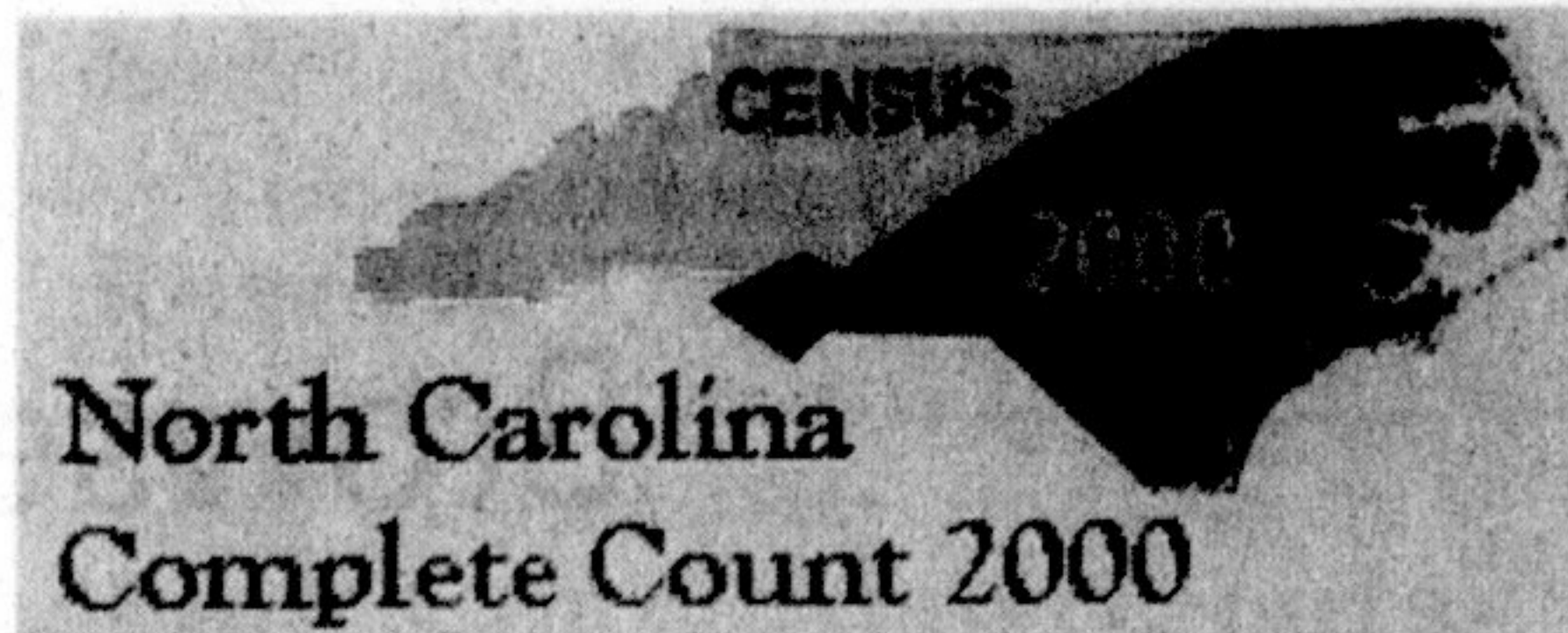
As mandated by the Constitution, the federal government will be taking a national census of the population this year, as is done every 10 years for statistical purposes.

The census involves the Greenville community answering a series of questions with reference to both themselves and

the surrounding area. All students that do not live at home are responsible for filling out a form, regardless of the address they are politically registered under or their permanent address.

According to Denise Moore of the Census Bureau, students who do not live with their parents need to fill out their own census forms.

"Students who live in dorms or in sorority or fraternity houses will be visited by a bureau representative who will give them a form and explain it," Moore said. However, those students who



live off campus will receive a questionnaire in the mail and they are responsible for returning the information to the bureau.

Organizations on campus have made efforts to inform students of the importance of par-

ticipating in the census.

"We put some general information about how the census impacts our community in the newsletters we send out," said Shelly Meyers, director of Adult and Commuter Student Services. "We'll also be sending out e-mail

reminders to all students who live off campus about the census."

According to the bureau, residents who partake in the surveys can benefit in a number of ways. Not only does the bureau distribute millions of dollars of state and federal funds based on the information gathered during the process, but it also affects scientific research, especially in the areas of sociology and medicine.

By participating, the government is able to assess the number of residents as well as the breakdown of sex, minorities and

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# Most prank calls made out of boredom, officials say

## Police offer tips on avoiding phone harassment

Josette LaChance  
STAFF WRITER

The ECU police department is no stranger to dealing with harassing and prank phone calls. "On average, there are about ten to twenty harassing phone calls per semester at ECU," said Sergeant Stephanie Griffin of the ECU police department. "Nine out of ten calls are considered annoying more than harassment."

Griffin said that there have been no major cases of serious phone harassment during the past three years.

Most calls that are classified as annoying are due to domestic problems and boredom. While no legal action is taken against harmless phone pranksters, annoying calls are documented to create a paper trail if the calls progress and become more threatening.

According to Griffin, the difference between annoying phone calls, like random prank calls, and harassing calls, and harassing phone calls is that the latter consists of threats.

"If a call is determined to be harassing then we trace the call and that individual will be charged," Griffin said.

Phone harassment carries the charge of a class II misdemeanor.

There are some steps that students can take to be proactive in preventing or stopping phone harassment. One step is to avoid giving any personal information to the caller. Do not let the caller know that you are angry or upset by slamming the phone down or by trying to call them back. Likewise, never answer any of their questions. Instead, ask who they are looking for and what they want.

Police advise students to hang up the phone as soon as any improper questions or noises are heard.

In addition to this, it is wise to keep a record of all calls by writing down the time of the call, a description of the caller's voice, any background noises and the content of the call. This way the student will have written documentation for the police report.

"Having your phone number changed is the best way to end phone harassment if the problem persists," Griffin said.

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# Eagle wakes for first time since accident

## Student hit by car on road to recovery

Angela Harne  
ASSISTANT NEWS EDITOR

Sophomore Mark Eagle woke up yesterday morning for the first time since he was hit by a car Fri. Feb. 18 while trying to cross 10th Street near Miami Subs.

At the scene Eagle was transported to Pitt Memorial County Hospital (PMCH). He has been in the Intensive Care Unit (ICU) since the accident. Glenn Eagle, Eagle's father said he is very excited about his son's awakening.

"This is a major step," G. Eagle said. "This is the best day since we've been here [PMCH]. The doctor's have taken Mark off of the oxygen and have lowered his medication. My family and I could not be happier, though it is still going to be a long road."

Sophomore Eric Hall, Eagle's roommate said he had talked to

Eagle's father.

"Mr. Eagle told me that Mark could move his hands and even talk," Hall said. "His dad also told me that he could talk a little bit. Although due to his lung damage his talk is slurred, but the doctor's told Mark that could be worked on with time."

Hall said everyone on campus has Eagle in their thoughts and prayers. "He has everyone's support," Hall said. "Even those that do not know him are thinking about him...I hope he gets well soon because it's lonely up here by myself."

Student James Andrew Morris, the driver of the car was arrested by the Greenville Police Department (GPD) for driving while impaired (DWI).

According to Captain Smeltzer of the GPD, no DWI charges were pursued due to the low results from his breathalyzer test. Morris could not be contacted for comment.

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## ACROSS OTHER CAMPUSES

**Duke University**—President Nan Keohane told the Board of Trustees that Duke officials erred by not quickly disclosing the details of an alcohol-related death last fall.

President Nan Keohane stood at a podium before the Board of Trustees Friday and offered a heartfelt confession.

Her voice quivering with emotion, Keohane shared a shocking admission of guilt in the University's handling of Pratt junior Raheem Bath's alcohol-related death.

Although she insisted that concerns about patient confidentiality and general sensitivity made it impossible to openly discuss the details surrounding Bath's death immediately, the president acknowledged that administrators should have addressed rampant rumors and capitalized on the teachable moment.

"In retrospect, we should have been more aggressive in our response at the outset, less sensitive to the immediate tragedy perhaps and more sensitive to the long-term implications of this particular death," she said. "We should have talked openly about this in December, bringing home the shocking import of this death as a cautionary tale for others, while the emotional wounds were still fresh."

Administrators have long believed that Bath's Nov. 27 death was caused by aspiration pneumonia, which he contracted by inhaling his own vomit. In December, Keohane shared that information with the Board and began speaking about the incident with groups of alumni and parents, although she did not name Bath specifically. But the true details of his death were not shared with students until last month, after a second student apparently contracted pneumonia in the same way.

"I believe that I missed an opportunity to use my office as a 'bully pulpit' for students who were seeking guidance and clarification," Keohane said.

Keohane's pledge for repentance was as sincere as her confession.

She cited a letter written by six university presidents that urged administrators to "be vocal, be visible and be visionary" in responding to drinking on campus. "I intend to take that counsel to heart in the weeks ahead, and I will urge my colleagues... to do the same," she said.

The open discussion of Bath's death came earlier this month after a series of alcohol-related incidents captured widespread public attention. Specifically, Pi Beta Phi sorority caught substantial heat when a letter to the editor alleged that pledges were harassed and encouraged to consume excessive quantities of alcohol. A subsequent mixer between Pi Phi and Phi Kappa Psi fraternity resulted in both Greek organizations' suspensions.

"We have a serious problem at Duke around binge drinking, and we need to do something serious about it. We are not unique in this by any means, but that is not our concern here," she said. "We can learn from others about strategies that have worked to combat this profoundly troubling problem, but we cannot blame our situation on the fact that this is prevalent on other campuses. Our problem is a Duke problem, and we need to do everything we can to solve it."

CSU—Colorado State University was handed a subpoena early last week by the Record Industry Association of America in conjunction with its investigation of a CSU student who was allegedly using a Web site to illegally obtain and distribute digital music files.

The RIAA, which investigates Web sites it suspects to be operating in violation of copyright laws, requested the student's identification from the university Feb. 15; CSU complied. Also, the student's Web site—stored on a university server—and Internet connection were terminated, said CSUPD officer Mark Childress.

Approximately 90 to 95 percent of the recording industry's music titles are represented by RIAA, Childress said. The student being investigated, who spoke with the Collegian on a condition of anonymity, said he was not aware of the full scope of computer crime.

"You're young enough to download MP3s and not know it's illegal, yet you can go to prison for it," he said. "It's like fireworks: You can buy them, but you can't set them off."

MP3 is a format by which digital sound can be compressed and stored. MP3-encoded sound is available over the Internet from sites such as Napster.com or MP3.com, and can be downloaded to any computer for free. The current case is the second involving an RIAA investigation of illegal MP3 distribution sites operating out of CSU residence halls, Childress said.

However, this case was the first in which the university had been subpoenaed, he said. The former case, brought to the attention of CSU by the RIAA, occurred Jan. 24. RIAA requested only that the student's site be terminated; CSU complied. The students targeted in the cases were operating their own "File Transfer Protocol" sites, which can be used for MP3 storage and distribution.

"This is definitely a new problem arising at CSU," Childress said. "In these cases, students have initiated a legal site but were distributing MP3s, which is in violation of copyright law. Distributing MP3s without compensation for the producing or recording company is illegal."

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Science and Technology Building that is under construction.

Thompson said the expansion will come with time.

"It's going to be exciting and frustrating at the same time," Thompson said. "Facilities don't come as quickly as everyone wants them to. Everyone is going to have to walk around things for awhile because a change is needed."

Sophomore Tamela Payne said she is excited about the expansion.

"I'm looking forward to the expansion," Payne said. "As ECU grows so does the city of Greenville,

which, in turn, will bring more industry to Greenville."

According to Brown, the requested tuition increase is irrelevant concerning the university's expansion project.

"Tuition increase is related to the need to stay competitive with other institutions," Brown said. "It will also help advance our library resources, as well as raise faculty salaries."

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Students who have experienced prank calls said they feel that this type of joke is immature.

"It's just annoying and stupid," said freshman Carla Stuy. "I don't understand how some people can have so much free time on their hands and why they would choose to spend it bothering people."

Senior Brian Bradshaw agreed. "I think it's extremely immature, and I'm glad we have the technol-

ogy and the brains to do something about it," Bradshaw said.

Anonymous complaints of harassing phone calls can be reported at [www.ecu.edu/police/crimetips.htm](http://www.ecu.edu/police/crimetips.htm).

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## CRIME SCENE

Feb. 24

**Missing Person**—A construction worker at the Jarvis site reported that a co-worker was missing. He was last seen on at 7:15 a.m. Feb. 23. His family has been notified.

**Auto Accident**—Two non-students were involved in an auto accident at the Outpatient Center at Brody School of Medicine.

**Hit and Run Accident**—Two faculty members were involved in a hit and run accident in the A-lot at Brody SOM. One faculty member struck another while backing from a space. A witness reported the vehicle responsible. The subject was issued a state citation for failure to stop at the scene of an accident.

**Damage to Property**—A faculty member reported that he found a bullet lodged in the roof of a state owned van. The van is parked in the lot between Joyner Library and the Old Cafeteria Building while not being driven.

## SGA NOTES

Meeting called to order.

SGA Treasurer Overton Harper said SGA President Cliff Webster, SGA Vice President John Meriac, SGA Secretary Jessica Dowdy and Junior Class President Christy Lynch are presently in Texas at the Conference of Student Government Association (COSGA).

Harper said they will return tonight.

Chris Williams, appropriations chair said ODK Honors Society wants to transfer \$450 to help sponsor the Petillo Elementary School field trip to campus

to see the production of *Charlotte's Web* on Friday, March 17.

SGA representatives passed the transfer.

Michael Orr, sophomore class president introduced the SGA student welfare resolution stating that the student welfare committee will sponsor community service and philanthropy acts over a two year period.

According to Orr, the resolution will be voted on next week by the legislation.

Jeremy Hoegemann and Brandie Fintchre of financial management announced a drawing for a Segal

Dreamcast system.

Fintchre said the drawing profits will be used to sponsor 12 students to travel to Baltimore, Md., at the end of April for a three-night stay.

According to Fintchre, the SGA has already given them \$500, but they are trying to raise another \$200.

Fintchre said drawing tickets are \$2 and will be available from 4:30 p.m.-7 p.m., all week in Mendenhall. She said the drawing will take place March 9. Meeting adjourned.

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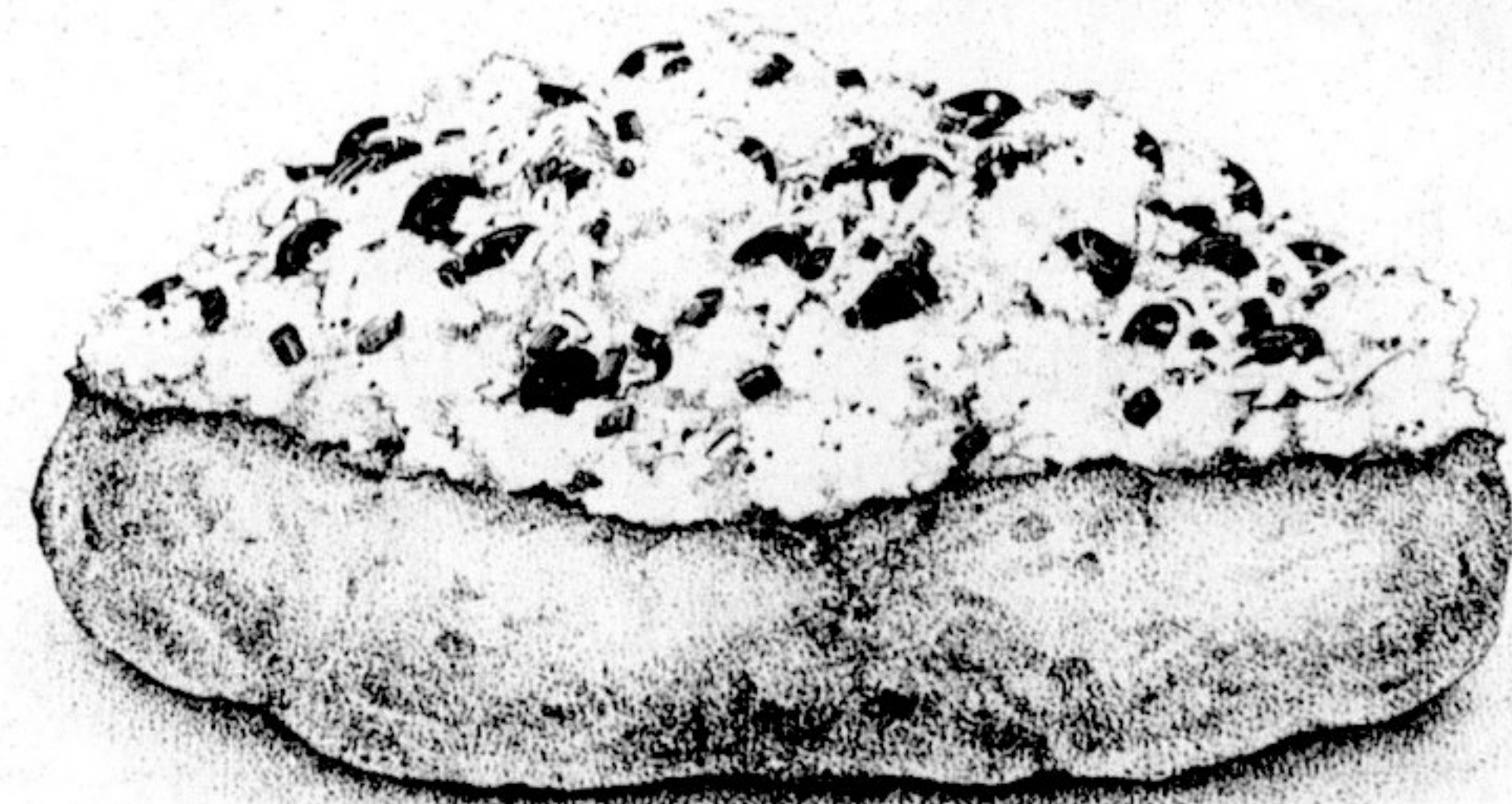
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# Clinton seeks more aid for Floyd victims

RALEIGH (AP)—President Clinton asked Congress on Friday for \$124 million more in federal aid to victims of Hurricane Floyd's flooding in eastern North Carolina.

The request in Clinton's supplemental appropriations bill is in addition to \$223 million sought by his administration earlier this month for a total of \$347 million in supplemental requests this year.

"It's the thing we need to fill in the gaps from last year's budget," said Rep. Bob Etheridge, D-N.C.

Congress approved \$2.2 billion in aid last year and the state Legislature added an aid package totaling \$836 million. In addition, the Federal Emergency Management Agency has spent \$1.05 billion in aid to flood victims in the state and the U.S. Small Business Administration has made available \$459 million in disaster assistance loans.

"This request addresses some of our most critical

needs in agriculture and housing," said Rep. David Price, D-N.C. "We pushed to make sure this year's request again included help for our farm families and additional assistance to get families into livable housing and the White House responded."

The latest requests are in a bill that includes budget proposals for the military and other departments.

The request includes \$81 million to buy flood-damaged tobacco, cotton and peanuts from marketing cooperatives. Much tobacco was damaged after it was harvested and brought to warehouses before flooding struck last September. The tobacco portion of the request is \$78 million and most of it is for North Carolina, said congressional spokesmen.

Another piece of the proposal for farmers is to use \$50 million in existing conservation funds to repair buildings and equipment, said Etheridge spokesman Brad Woodhouse.

Other items in the current request include: \$15.9 million to help build 1,000 low-income rental housing units and \$13.6 million in rental assistance for people who move into the housing. \$12 million to provide housing vouchers for 2,000 families displaced by flooding. \$1.5 million for the Army Corps of Engineers to perform a study in the town of Princeville on prevention of future flooding catastrophes.

The request made Feb. 7 included money for buyouts of structures in low areas, low-interest loans, economic development payments to fishermen, dredging and emergency navigation work and repair of federal facilities.

Clinton's supplement budget request included a total of \$347 million for recovery efforts in all states affected by Floyd. About \$252 million of that will be available for North Carolina if approved by Congress.

# Veterans voice concern about Agent Orange

MONTPELIER, Vt. (AP)—It's been 35 years since Mel Pritchett served in the Army in Vietnam. He's not a drinker, he said, yet he was surprised recently to learn his liver is abnormally enlarged. And the more he hears about a toxic defoliant widely used during the war in Southeast Asia, the more his concerns grow that the size of his liver is connected to exposure to the chemical.

"Now I'm finding out more and more about this problem," said Pritchett, now a 51-year-old Burlington resident. "Nobody knows much about it. I don't know where else to go."

Pritchett voiced his concerns and questions Saturday to a roomful of Vietnam veterans and a panel of experts on the suspected links between veterans' health problems and the chemical known as Agent Orange.

Organized by Rep. Bernie Sanders, the Statehouse hearing brought out frustrated veterans to hear presentations on the possible connection between the herbicide and their long-term physical ailments. And it brought out accusations from both veterans and Sanders that the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs and the Defense Department have not done little to study the problem or educate veterans as to the benefits they are entitled to.

# AIDS explosion in Caribbean blamed on sex tourism, homophobia

CHARLOTTE AMALIE, U.S. Virgin Islands (AP)—Homophobia, sex tourism, infidelity and poverty are major factors causing a rapid spread of AIDS and increasingly infecting women in the Caribbean, international and regional health officials said Friday.

Societal norms encourage homosexuals to have heterosexual relationships, and married men to have sex with other women, said experts and victims. Also, poverty is forcing men and women to prostitution, often with tourists, they said in a dramatic and uncharacteristically open discussion.

They spoke at a conference organized by the U.S. National Institutes of Health that is being held simultaneously on five Caribbean islands in a high-profile effort to stir debate and awareness about the once-taboo issues of sexual promiscuity and AIDS.

"It is definitely an epidemic, and in the Caribbean we have the second largest incidence in the world after Africa," said Peggy McEvoy, Team Leader for the Caribbean program for Geneva-based UNAIDS, which handles AIDS policy issues, education and research.

"The islands with tourism are the ones that don't want to talk about it very much," McEvoy said. "There's a tremendous amount of sexual activity involved with tourism. There's a lot of fear that if tourists are aware they're not going to come."

She said the number of people infected with the HIV virus in the Caribbean is likely more than 500,000 and could be as high as 700,000 about double the previously reported figures.

Part of the problem is that some countries keep track of AIDS but not HIV infections. McEvoy cited the Dominican Republic, which reported a total of 4,230 cases of AIDS in August 1998. McEvoy estimated that the country has 150,000 cases of HIV-positive and AIDS victims.

Neighboring Haiti, the poorest country in the hemisphere, said it had 4,967 total AIDS cases in 1998. McEvoy said UNAIDS officials believe there are 330,000 Haitians infected with the virus and AIDS. According to the UNAIDS report "AIDS Epidemic Update: December 1999," the last time Haiti performed HIV surveillance among pregnant women, in 1996, close to 6 percent tested positive for the virus.

Some conference sessions are being broadcast live by satellite from the U.S. Virgin Islands to some of the 2,300 health officials, AIDS activists and victims meeting here and in Jamaica, Barbados, Trinidad and the Bahamas.

One dire statistic presented from a survey of 8,100 schoolchildren in four English-speaking Caribbean islands has 42 percent experiencing sex before the age

of 10. The figure rises to 62 percent by age 12. That survey, conducted by the Washington-based Organization of American States' Pan American Health Organization, could reflect a high rate of child molestation.

A third of reported AIDS cases in the Caribbean are among women and the percentage seems likely to grow, according to the Ministry of Health in Trinidad and Tobago. It reported last year that seven of eight youths being infected between the ages of 10 and 19 are female.

Some government officials and at least one tourism official appeared to agree that there is a problem.

In Jamaica, Health Minister John Junor said the challenge was fighting "the irresponsible sexual behavior of our men."

"Everyone recognizes this is a problem and the need to confront it honestly," said Joseph Forstmayr, vice president of the Hotel and Tourist Association in Jamaica.

McEvoy noted that married women face high risks because their partners are unfaithful and won't use condoms. "Married women (here) don't have the negotiating power within a marriage to insist on a condom," she said. "Their husbands would kick them out."

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even age. As a result, planners use the census to develop recreational programs such as playgrounds for children or parks for the elderly.

In addition, the numbers aid in developing effective means of transportation, especially in creating bus routes and subway stops to assist the residents of a particular region. In order to get this information, the census questionnaire contains questions concerning the social, economic and financial characteristics of the population.

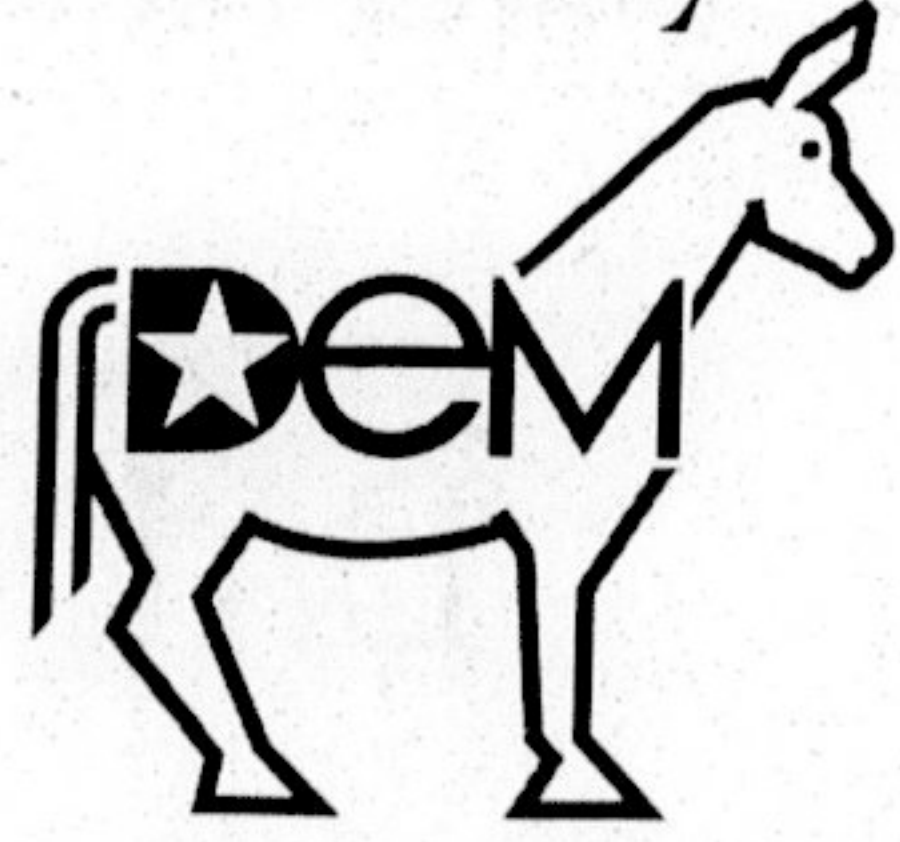
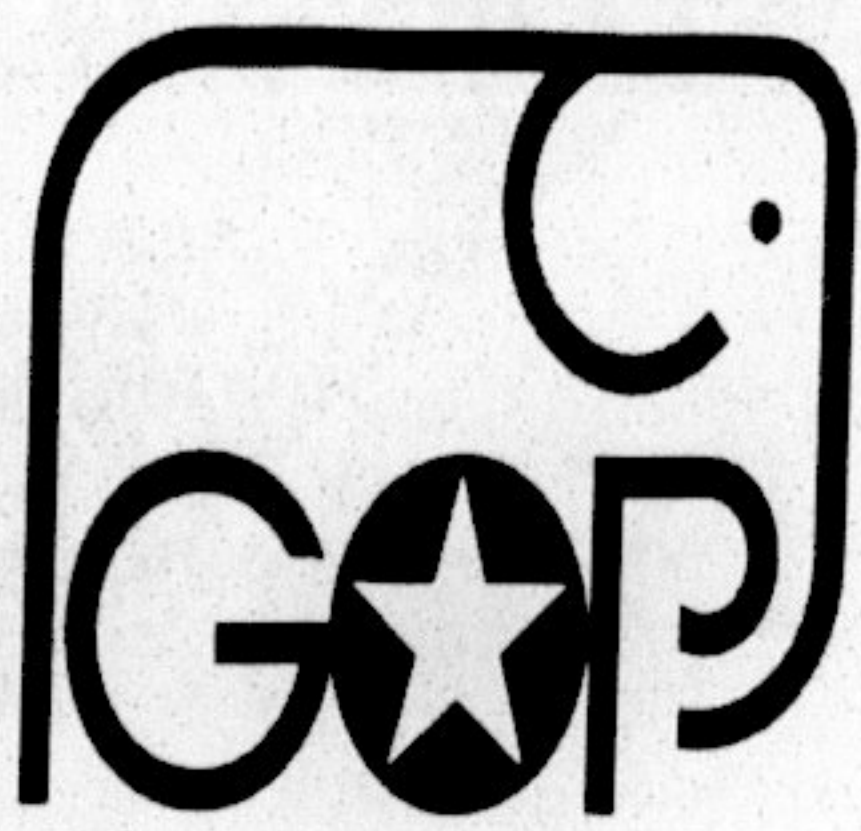
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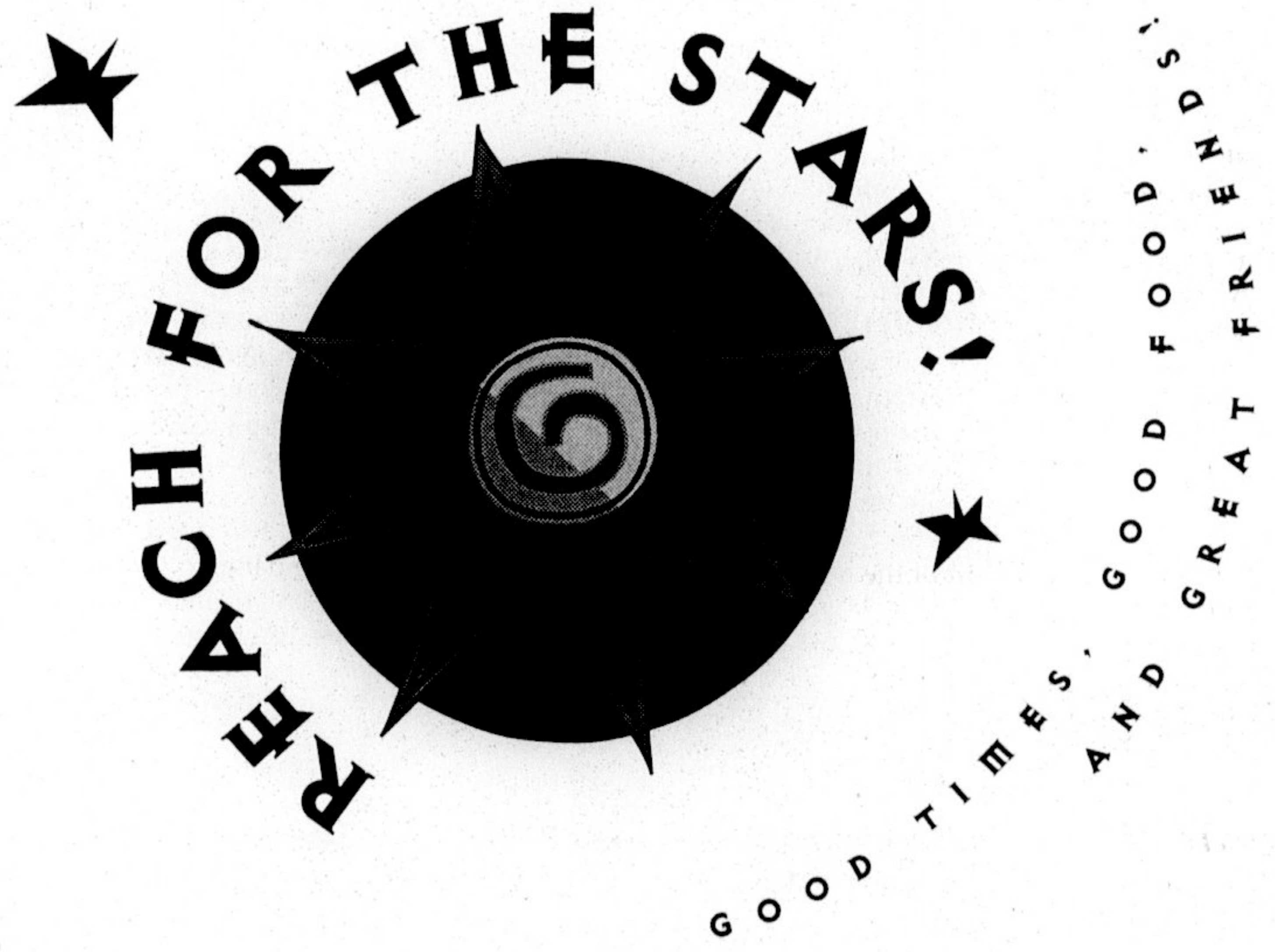
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OUR VIEW

Here at ECU, the issue of parking remains one of the most debated issues on campus. The controversial recent proposal by university planners to create a pedestrian campus has sparked debate by both faculty and students as to whether this indeed would be the best way to accommodate ECU's growing population.

Parking has become more and more of a problem since the administration decided to begin increasing the size of the university. Ongoing construction on campus has also led to congested parking lots and areas near residence halls. Many students think that taking away this much-needed parking could lead to even greater difficulty getting around campus. All students and faculty who commute to class would be required to park in fringe areas and ride a shuttle into campus. These individuals are worried that this would lead to missed classes due to bus delays, inclement weather and other unforeseen situations. We have a solution to this problem.

Please tell us what is going on. Just let us know before we arrive (or better yet, e-mail us) that all the parking lots have been set aside for our fine construction comrades' vehicles.

While we think it is great that our university has decided to increase and expand both its population and academic standards, which will, in turn, attract more academically-minded students, we believe the university must take this growth process one step at a time. And believe it or not, letting us know details in advance should be part of the master plan. That way we can be the well-prepared adults you would like for us to be and we can expend our energy on more interesting pursuits than making faces at the Parking and Traffic Services staff members.

Please tell us what is going on. Just let us know before we arrive (or better yet, e-mail us) that all the parking lots have been set aside for our fine construction comrades' vehicles.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Father of accident victim thanks ECU community

Dear Editor,

I am Mark Eagle's dad. Mark's mother, our family, friends and I really appreciate the outpouring concern for our son. The circle of friends from ECU and the concern from the administration is awesome. We have faith that Mark will pull through all of this but it will take time. We see improvements each time that we are able to visit him. It was a good time to pack since we had no time to pack when we were summoned to ECU (Greenville) last Saturday morning.

My son loves ECU and the students. We continue to inform him of all of our visits, telephone calls and messages. We are impressed by Garrie Moore's visit and

call plus the other calls from Dean Speier and others. We have many churches, friends and family praying for Mark. He is a healthy young man with a serious head injury. My true belief is that he will fully recover, but it will take some time.

We thank each of you for your prayers and concerns. Each of you have added to our strength during this time. I will be back in Greenville this afternoon. His mother is at the hospital now. Thank you so much (all of his friends, the university and the staff at Pitt Memorial). We appreciate all of you. Please continue to lift my son, Mark, up in your prayers.

Glenn Eagle

OPINION COLUMN

Pedestrian campus fantastic idea

Demosthenes  
OPINION COLUMNIST

In a world of increasing rush and hurry, it is nice to see this campus taking strides to ensure the safety and wellbeing of those of us who still use the most ancient form of locomotion: walking. By eliminating the 10th Street entrance to campus due to construction, the administration has allowed the walking population to stroll with more ease as they don't have to look both ways before crossing the street. If this campus truly wishes to expand its population by 10,000 in the next decade, creating a nearly car free environment would be an aesthetic move.

Myself, I mostly use my bike to get around, but on campus I consider myself to be a pedestrian, and as a pedestrian I am tired of having to constantly watch out for ignorant sleepy drivers who plow through crosswalks with only the thought of getting back to bed on their minds. I am also sure that the drivers are sick and tired of having to constantly watch out for ignorant sleepy kids who step right in front of them holding their coffee cups thinking nothing at all. The lesson of all this: Don't be ignorant and sleepy. No, don't mix motors and feet; they are simply two different natures not meant to co-exist in the same space.

Walking to class on a gorgeous spring day under a Carolina blue sky is a privilege; take advantage of it. Skateboards, bikes, roller blades and all forms of self propelled locomotion are of course included in this privilege. Are you really so concerned with your last ten minutes of sleep that you have to rush to class with

only the thought of being late to accompany you? Now, the idea of a pedestrian campus brings in its own set of problems. For example, where are all those people going to park their cars? With the elimination of most campus parking, and the influx of so many new students, even if you take car pooling into account, you have to ask where are you going to put 8,000 more cars? Many universities have answered this question with the omnipresent on-campus parking garage, but I wonder if there is a better solution.

In the tallest skyscrapers, human traffic—to get to the top floors—exceeds elevator capacity, so what has been done is to break up the elevator shafts into different sections of the building and to different floors. The same principle can be applied to this campus in that many small parking areas could be added on the outskirts so all the commuters are not heading to the same place and each could park closer to where they actually want to be.

Self locomotion is a beautiful thing and should be cherished on this campus and everywhere. If you are tired of having to wait to cross the street on your own campus when you are already late for your 8 a.m. class, make yourself heard and create a pedestrian environment for your school, and if one day, as you are strolling down the sidewalk you get cut off by someone on a yellow bike, please forgive them and understand that they don't mean any disrespect. Until we meet again.

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OPINION COLUMN

Internet isn't any more dangerous than real life

Dorcus Brule  
OPINION COLUMNIST

With our new age of fast computers and multiple chat modes it is becoming more and more commonplace to hear that someone "hooked up" with someone over the Net. Most often the initial reaction to a relationship fostered by the Net is one of fear. We've all heard the horror stories about little girls being lured from their homes by sick 50-year-old pedophiles, but is that what the Internet dating scene is really about? And is the Internet any less safe a place to find your true love than the downtown club scene?

The skeptic's claim is that the Internet makes it a lot easier for someone to lie about themselves and present a persona of their own making. Can't a drunken loser at the bar do the same thing? They don't know you, you don't know them. Can't they lie just as well as someone off of the Net?

For instance, my ex-boyfriend "Jason" was a 30-year-old jobless, divorced, child support-paying father-of-one. Meeting "Jason" was like putting up a personals ad that read "I'd like to be emotionally abused, please," but I didn't meet him online; I met

him at a bar. Of course, I didn't know of his bad qualities until a long-time down the road; his loser-ish qualities didn't come through until months into the relationship. He hid them from me because he didn't want to lose me. People lie to your face as well as online. Jason was the drunken loser that lied.

I don't support the idea that the Internet is a dangerous place where only freaks lurk. I'm not saying that there aren't freaks on the Net. And, in contrast to "Jason," I met my favorite ex-boyfriend online. Even though the relationship is over, "Mark" was a great guy. He was upfront with me about his entire life before we even met. Our relationship lasted a year, and I never found anything contrary to what he told me while we were getting to know each other online.

My point: Don't judge a book by its cover. The Internet isn't any more dangerous for love than your local bar. Just because you can see the person, doesn't mean that you are safe. Just because you cannot see the person doesn't mean that they are crazy. So, the supposed danger of the Internet isn't just exclusive to the Internet.

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OPINION COLUMN

Graffiti advertisers keep vandalizing campus

Patrick McMahon  
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I have a real bad feeling this is going to turn into a rant so if it does, I'll apologize now and get it out of the way. I am sick and tired of having to see chalk-covered sidewalks and benches when I walk through campus.

Various student groups think they are evidently doing the student body a service by advertising where thousands of people walk each day, yet I think this is nothing more than vandalism. Personally, I think when these people stoop to the level of vandalism to advertise their club, they are doing nothing more than aggravating the people they are trying to recruit.

It's one evil when student- and university-based clubs do it, but when I have to look at advertisements for businesses and online sites all over Brewster's walkway and the benches around the General Classroom Building, I start to really get pissed. I don't pay this university thousands of dollars each semester to have to witness this garbage. The sad fact of the whole thing is that these chalk drawings must sit there and just wither away because the grounds crew has other things to do.

It is not their job to clean up this crap and they shouldn't have to because the drawings never should have been there in the first place. I'm sure they have better things to do than clean up after some ignorant bastards' chalk adventure. I'm so sick and tired of not

being able to sit down on the brick benches around Wright Place and GCB because some nincompoop thought it would be neat to write collegeclub.com in fluorescent chalk that just magnetizes itself to your clothes when you sit down. These people are vandals and should be treated as such.

If you want to advertise your club, do it the old-fashioned way; put up a sheet like the SGA candidates and Greek organizations do in the main courtyard. We have already sold our soul to Pepsi (which I'm willing to forgive because of the kick-ass scoreboard in the football field) and we shouldn't be advertising people who don't give us money.

So far, collegecampus representatives have been the worst of these offenders. It's aggravating enough when I have to remove eight flyers a day from my car, but when they start messing with the university, I start getting royally pissed. It sickens me when I see this junk. Kick the fuckin' group off campus, dammit. They have over-stepped the line between advertising and vandalism and they should face some kind of repercussions.

Last weekend, we had a lot of prospective students visiting the campus and I'm sure they were impressed. What are they going to think of a university that allows night-time barons of chalk to deface the public corridors whenever they feel like it? Next time they do it, prosecute the S.O.B.s. I'm sure the student body will stand behind it. I know I would.

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OPINION COLUMN

Contest for wacky inventions continues

Ryan Kennemur  
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Hey y'all! This is a continuation of the last column, which dealt with such hard-hitting topics as "Cigarettes—do they really promote good health?" and "Why do they call it Endust when it just keeps coming back?" Alright, so I didn't actually write about those things, but it does kind of tie in with the contest I have going on.

As I said last week, America has been the home to many, many great inventions. We have the cotton gin, the assembly line, the phonograph, the cigar, the snowman, Stonehenge, the Eiffel Tower, floss, rubber, childbirth, the Whopper, cocoa, poi, the Yiddish language and sticks. Politician Strom Thurmond even invented the key to eternal life. But we Americans everywhere have to realize one major thing—that for every great invention we come up with, be it convenience stores that sell alcohol at cut-rate prices or shoes that only work when they are "pumped up," there are a million more that (unlike Strom Thurmond) don't stand the test of time.

Realizing this, my contest was born. That's right Jim-Bob and Laura-Belle student! Now is your time to stand up and be counted! Email me your favorite invention (of your own or that you have witnessed) that never has or never will make it. I'll print the best one and give the person who submitted it a free CD courtesy of CD Alley, your "one stop CD shoppe!" Here's what your competition looks like.

Alert reader and all around great girl Sara Beisteiner sent me perhaps the most disturbing thing I have ever seen. It's an invention called Nori, and it claims to be the frontrunner in the realm of "the cleansing of nasal passages everywhere." Visit their website (<http://www2.active.ch/~gerste/main.en.html>). Under the words "Blowing your nose is not enough," there's a paragraph stating that even though the mucous membrane in the human nose is an almost perfect filter for dust and other various junk, even nature's own booger trap needs the occasional cleansing.

You know, people, I am a child of the 80s, and I am wondering this—what ever happened to good old American nose picking? No, seriously. Show me in writing (like in a textbook, not something you wrote on your hand with a crayon) where, in the history of the world, a person has had a fatal episode with a clogged nostril.

The way this product works is that you fill up a little plastic ball with a tube sticking out with water and a spoonful of salt. Then, like any normal person, you will tilt your head sideways and stick the hose into the top nostril, upon which time the water will rush into your nose and COME OUT THE OTHER SIDE!

So there you have it. Pretty stiff competition I think, but don't get discouraged. Send your entries by March 9, 2000. Now if you'll excuse me, I need a good old American Kleenex.

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FEATURES BRIEFS

"Kick it up a notch!"



Basil

Basil is a member of the mint family, and was known as the herb of kings in ancient times. In fact, many say its name was derived from the Greek word basileus, meaning "king." The ancient Greeks and Romans believed that you had to curse and yell while you were planting basil seeds in order to have a good crop.



Anise

In Roman times, anise seeds were used to pay taxes — in fact, many spices played the role of money in ancient times, as they were valuable and quite portable.

Anise has been used for thousands of years as a flavoring, breath sweetener, digestive aid, cough suppressant, air freshener, mousetrap bait and, more recently, as the scent of the artificial rabbit used in greyhound races.



Ginger

Ginger is used to both spice foods and soothe the digestive system. Ginger is reputed to alleviate the symptoms of motion sickness, to make a tingling bath, to make a refreshing tea and to help improve circulation. It also makes a beautiful potted plant. Although gingerbread may seem like a recent (and Western) invention, it was actually made by Greek bakers more than 4,000 years ago.



Vanilla

Vanilla is an ancient flavoring used by the Aztecs in chocolate. Vanilla is the only member of the orchid family used as food. The unripe fruit which resembles a pod and is commonly referred to as a "bean" is the part of the plant used as a spice.

Vanilla is often used in puddings, ice creams, candy and liqueurs. Vanilla extract is made of vanilla and alcohol.

Cinnamon

One of the oldest known spices, cinnamon is mentioned in the Bible and in Sanskrit writings. Cinnamomum zeylanicum is a native to Sri Lanka and comes from the tropical evergreen laurel tree. The spice is the tree bark, rolled into sticks, quills or ground to powder.

Ground cinnamon enhances many curries and meat stews, especially those made with lamb. It can also be used in cakes, puddings, breads and stewed fruits.



Garlic

Garlic is a member of the lily family, as are onions, shallots, leeks and chives. Garlic has a compound bulb made up of individual "cloves" and has been used for both cooking and medical purposes for centuries. According to folklore, garlic possesses magical powers and was widely used in charms and spells to protect against evil (werewolves and vampires).

Beginning, possibly, with the ancient Egyptians, garlic has been reputed to help alleviate many medical problems, including reducing high blood pressure, to help respiratory problems, for headaches, to disinfect wounds, to kill parasitic worms and to generally maintain good health.

Mustard

Mustards are among the most popular of condiments. Dry mustards are used in soups and stews and prepared mustards are used in sauces for meats, mayonnaise, salad dressings and as a spread for the good old American hotdog. Mustard greens are often served as side dishes and are central to southern "soul food" meals.

There are several different varieties of mustards: black, brown, white and yellow, all of which are members of the cabbage family. Brown and white mustards are most commonly used in the United States. Black mustard is used primarily in east Indian cuisines.

Saffron

Formerly valued as a medical herb and a dye, saffron is now principally used for flavoring and coloring foods. It supplies the characteristic flavor and color of Spanish paella, Italian risotto, French bouillabaisse, Arabic lamb and chicken dishes and Indian dessert sauces, as well as Swedish, Cornish and Pennsylvania Dutch holiday breads.

Thyme

Thyme is a member of the mint family, closely related to basil, oregano and marjoram. There are over 100 varieties of thyme and it is one of the most popular herbs used in European cooking.

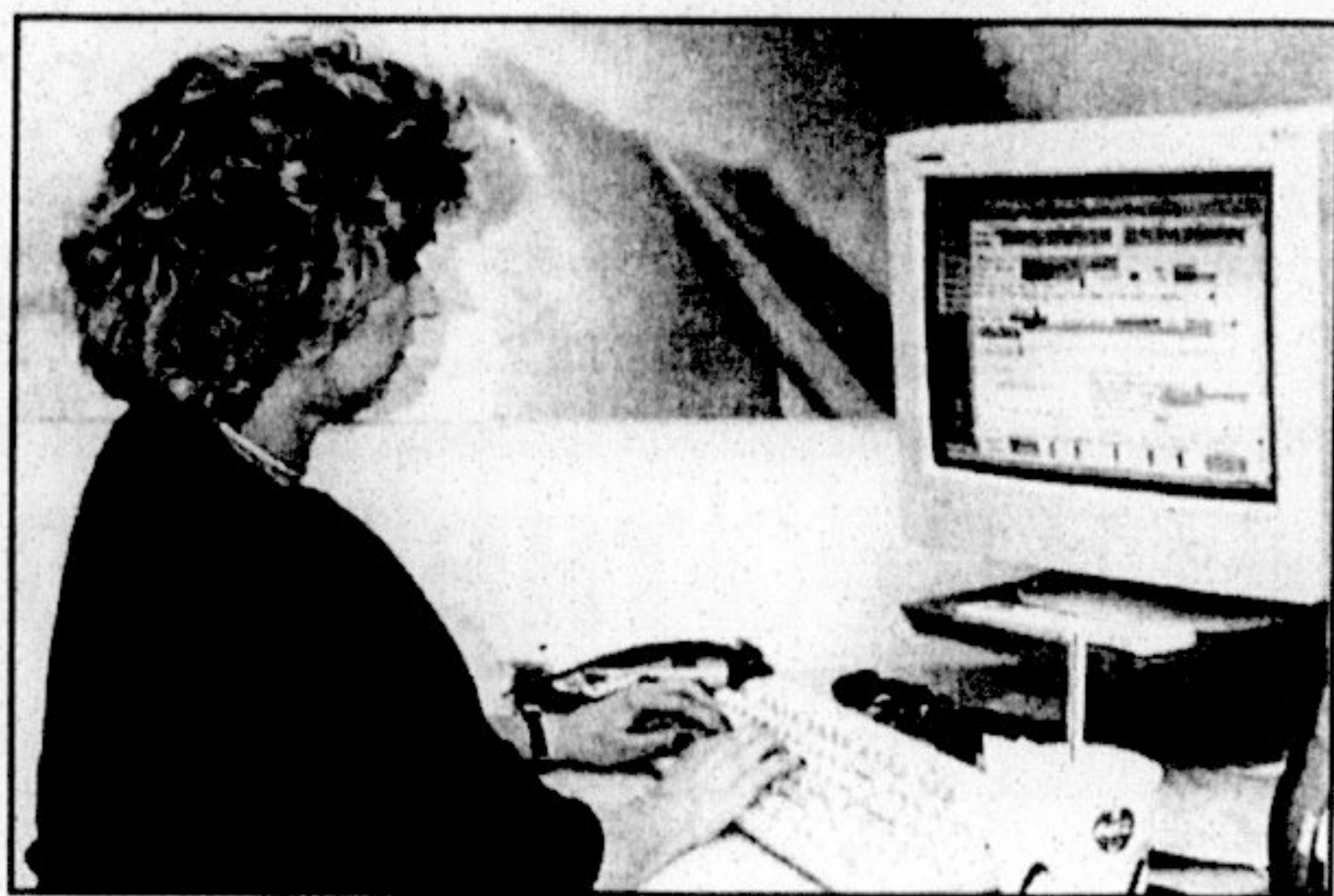
Courtesy of The Herb and Spices Web site

Tax preparation, consultations increase in spring

Students reminded to save receipts, financial records

Michael Fischer  
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It's that dreaded time, again; time for students to file their state and federal income taxes before the April 15 deadline. Those students who are naive about how to fill out their tax forms can rest easy because help is on the way.



Diane McMahon works diligently to prepare taxes for H&R Block. (photo by Garrett McMillan)

Students today have the option of hiring a tax consultant. Faye Best, who works for H&R Block, says the cost for students seeking consultation for filing North Carolina and federal income taxes is around \$62. However, those students whose parents are customers at H&R Block can receive consultation for \$30-\$40. If students wish to take the road less traveled, they can forgo consultation and pick up tax forms at any IRS building or public library.

According to Best, most students should claim "single zero" on their withholding certificate.

"Most students who work have smaller paying part-time jobs," Best said. "Some students work more than one, and many work three or four over the course of a year. Instead of figuring out the withholdings for three jobs, students can claim 'single zero' for each and take out the maximum amount of withholdings."

Best said students who withhold the maximum for each job ensure themselves of covering what they owe. Karns also suggests students save all receipts and financial records to avoid being audited.

"Keep good records, pay slips, invoices—don't throw any of it away," Karns said.

According to Jack Karns, an associate professor of finance, taxation is "what legislators deem will benefit



Heather Hemphill, sophomore, fills out her own tax forms. (photo by Emily Richardson)

society." Common defense, common currency and welfare are all programs that benefit from income taxing. Karns said that paying income tax is a choice.

"Everyone has the right not to pay income taxes—but they've got to face the consequences if they don't," Karns said.

Karns is quick to inform students that taxation is an everyday occurrence not solely limited to wages.

"I can show you how forty cents on your every dollar goes to taxes," he said. "It goes to food, gas, etc. These are all forms of sales tax and the reason some people have trouble making ends meet."

Many college students, such as sophomore Elizabeth Carwell and junior Bobbie Norris have not taken time to learn how to fill out their tax forms.

Many of these students use their parents as free tax consultants.

"My parents prepare my taxes because I don't really understand the process," Carwell said.

"I have no clue—my parents do mine," Norris said.

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North Carolinians face 'weight'y problems

Spring season sparks fitness rush

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The weather is warming up, Spring Break is right around the corner and it's time to get into shape.

With the approach of spring, this is the time of year when many people head for the gym or begin some sort of physical activity. Physical inactivity, however, is a growing health problem in the United States and especially in North Carolina.

According to the State Center for Health Statistics, physical inactivity and poor diet claim over 9,000 lives a year, and accounted for 14 percent of all deaths in 1997. Over 50 percent of North Carolinians are overweight and do not meet the Surgeon General's guidelines of frequent exercise for 30 minutes, five times a week.

It is difficult to determine whether college students at ECU are more or less active than adults, due to the broad variety of ages and backgrounds of the university's student population.

Students say they get exercise simply by walking or biking to class; but they also consume more fast food, alcohol and don't have as much balance in their lives as

at the Student Recreation Center.

"Most students feel they are invincible to being physically unfit."

Brown said there are many things individuals can do to become more active. It is important to start small and simple. For example,

"Students get very overwhelmed

with studies and don't think about exercising consistently," said Kari Brown, assistant director of fitness

walking 10 minutes a day while slowly increasing speed and time can be beneficial to one's health.



Lisa Hall, freshman, sits and watches TV on her break. (photo by Garrett McMillan)

People can also begin to park farther from campus and take the stairs instead of elevators to get extra activity.

"People are unfit when it starts affecting their lifestyle," Brown said. "When you are unable to walk up a flight of stairs, walk across campus or have trouble carrying your groceries from your car without losing your breath, then you have a problem."

Physical inactivity is a major health risk for people of all ages. Without the proper amount of exercise, one can and will gain weight by consuming more calories than are expended. There are many problems that are caused by obesity such as heart disease, high blood pressure and diabetes. These problems can also occur when one is unfit.

"If you are inactive and don't consume many calories, you probably won't have a weight problem, but you won't be physically healthy," said Dr. Dori Finley.

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Ask Marjorie

Dear Marjorie,  
I am graduating in May, and I am desperate to get a job. I have looked everywhere in Greenville, but no one is hiring for the job that I want. I did get one job offer, but that is over 200 miles away from here. This normally wouldn't be a problem, except the man I love has three-and-a-half years of school left. I don't think our relationship can survive all of those miles for so long. Do you think I should leave him now or continue in hopes that we can make an impossible long-distance relationship work?  
—Alabama Bound

Dear Alabama Bound,  
Long-distance relationships are possible, and sometimes they can be the best thing for two people. If you two are allowed to grow and succeed independently and find out what you truly want out of life, you will be more ready for a mature and equal relationship when the time comes. Beware of the fact that you can't expect him to remain celibate for the next three years. Even if one day he calls to tell you about the new girl he's going out with, remember that you too are entitled to a social life in your new home. Although it may be rough for a

while, if you make it through this rough spot, you may be fully prepared to accept your partner for life on any terms.

Dear Marjorie,  
My roommate, I think, has a fascination with grease. Not the kind that you work on your car with, but the kind that you get after you cook too much bacon. He pours it in different containers, waiting for them to fill up around the house. His girlfriend, who supports him in his fat fiesta, says that her mom used to use the grease when she was cooking, but that they never use it. Now there's grease in an old Now and Later canister next to our stove. Should I just tolerate the grease, or should I say something to my roommate?  
—Grossed-out by the Grease

Dear Grossed-out,  
You're telling me that your roommate has old, congealed bacon fat sitting on your mutual counter and you haven't said anything to him yet? Not only is bacon grease absolutely disgusting to look at with an odor stronger than old clam chowder stuck to the sides of a bowl, but it is also unsanitary.  
The girlfriend's mom may have used grease in her cooking, but did

you ever consider that she probably used cast iron skillets as well? If you are using Teflon, which you probably are, grease is nothing more than an artery clogging addition. It can also be used in cooking collards and white gravy, but how many college guys cook those things? Not too many that I know. Please, for your sake and the sake of anyone who visits you, tell your roommate that the grease has got to go.

Dear Marjorie,  
I found my roommate's toenail clippings in the peanut butter. He says it is a family tradition, and that it is better than finding them on the floor. What should I do?  
—Skippy & Toejam Sandwich

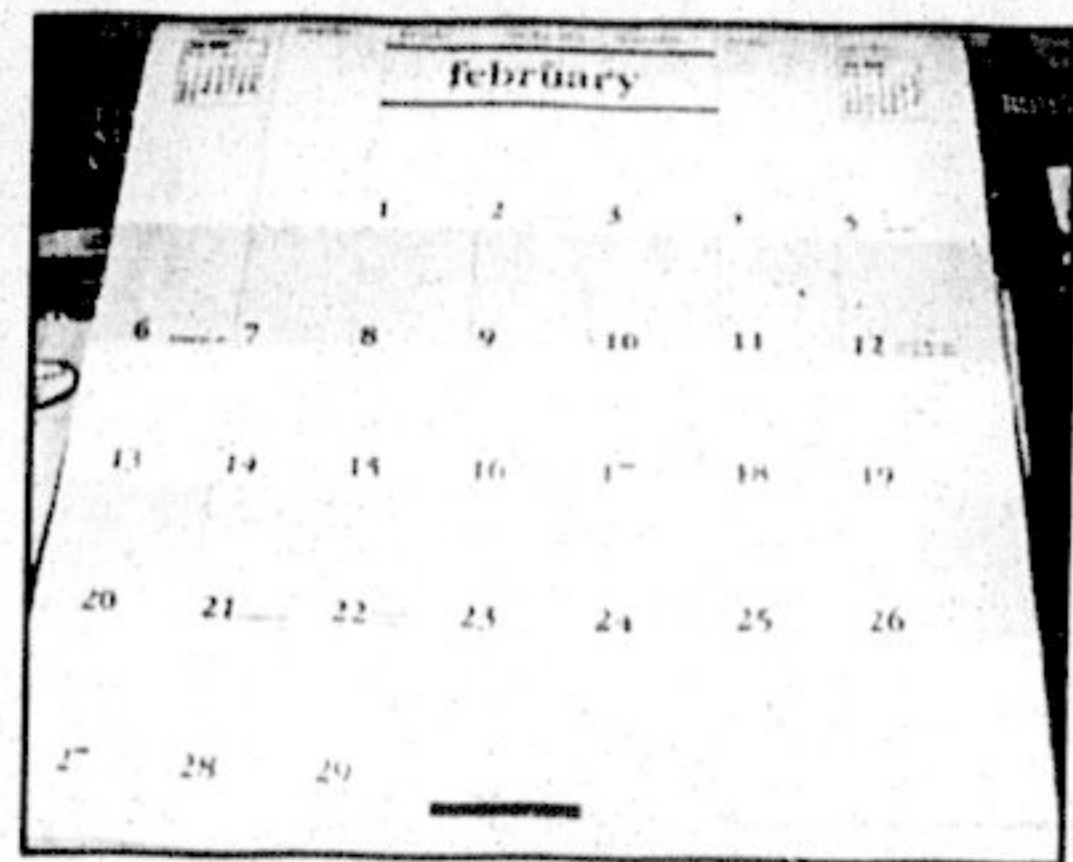
Dear Skippy,  
Your roommate is either mentally bankrupt or he just does this disgusting thing because he likes to terrorize you and the innocent Skippy. Although the FDA accepts a certain amount of foreign material in each jar of peanut butter, toenails are unacceptable.

Do you have questions or queries?  
Contact Marjorie at  
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Miscellanea

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• Julius Caesar introduced leap years between 48-44 B.C., to keep the calendar in line with the seasons.

• It takes 365.24219

days for the earth to orbit the sun once.

• In 1582, the Julian calendar was 11 days ahead of the seasons.

• Pope Gregory decreed that Oct. 4, 1582 would be followed by Oct. 15, 1582 to get the calendar back on track.

• Feb. 29 is the Day of Privilege. A woman may propose to a man, and if she is refused, he owes her a silk gown.

• There are 200,000 leap year babies in the United States today.

• Rule: If a year is divisible by four, it is a leap year. However, if it is also divisible by 100, it is not a leap year. But, if a year is divisible by four, not divisible by 100 but divisible by 400, then it is a leap year.

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a professor in the nutrition department.

The SRC offers many programs for students and faculty who want to start an exercise program. Brown recommends the Smart Start Program, which includes, for \$25, one personal training session and a physical fitness assessment. The SRC also offers personal training sessions and exercise classes.

"The toughest thing is getting over [to the SRC]," Brown said. "It is important to pick something you like to do and vary the activity so you don't get bored."

One's health can also worsen when inactivity is combined with behaviors such as smoking, drinking too much alcohol and eating a diet high in fat.

"Students must focus on the big picture to stay healthy," Brown said.

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# I See It All

Barbara Willoughby

*Barbara Willoughby, a current member of the ECU faculty, wrote this poem to share her experiences growing up as a black woman in a predominantly white society.*

As a youth in the '70s, I saw much  
Much wrong without just cause  
Much wrong just to make African-Americans  
feel small.  
Yes, when I was a youth, I saw it all.

As I entered the ninth grade, they said equal  
opportunity for all  
The bus no longer just stopped to pick up my  
friends and my kin  
It now stopped at every stop, picking up every  
creed and race  
Yes, when I was a youth, I saw it all.

I saw the markings on the restrooms, the water  
fountains

One marked Whites Only! One marked for  
Color!

I saw little black boys and girls sitting at the  
back of the bus during the winter months as the  
heat stopped midway through the bus.  
Yes, when I was a youth, I saw it all.

I saw self-esteem of little black boys and  
girlstorn down  
I saw the seed of insecurities planted in them  
Yes, when I was a youth, I saw it all.

And now in the year 2000, what do I see?  
I see that in spite of all those stumbling blocks  
In spite of all those mistreatments  
In spite of all those obstacles  
I see strong Black Leaders: I see Black Profes-  
sionals  
I see Black Lawyers: I see Black Judges  
I see intelligent Black Government officials  
Oh yes, as I now grow older  
Still I see it all.

# Award-winning teacher turns North Georgia streams and fields into classroom

DILLARD, Ga. (AP)—Along clear-flowing Betty's Creek, the eager high school freshmen and sophomores wielding red spades dig into the black soil to plant crab apple and water oak saplings. In the creek, other students in baggy hip boots trap insects whose presence—or absence—indicates the stream's ecological health.

This is a typical day at the Rabun Gap-Nacoochee School, tucked away on 1,200 rolling acres in mountainous Rabun County in northeast Georgia. While schools all over the state are placing more emphasis on environmental education, few can match the way the century-old Rabun Gap institution has sparked children's interest in the natural world.

In large part, this is due to Terry Seehorn, a stocky, affable 44-year-old biology teacher whose students spend as much time outdoors as they do in the classroom learning about the environment.

"You see Terry working with the kids and you can see their wheels turning and light bulbs coming on," says Chuck Waters, a wildlife biologist with the state Department of Natural Resources who occasionally takes Seehorn's students slogging through beaver ponds.

Under Seehorn's guidance and inspiration, Rabun Gap-Nacoochee students and staff have turned their bucolic campus into a model for environmental stewardship. As a result, Seehorn and the school have reaped national recognition from conservation groups. Since coming to Rabun Gap-Nacoochee School six years ago, Seehorn has spearheaded the restoration of a 2,000-foot stretch of a mountain stream that had been severely eroded by cattle and whose banks were covered by invasive nonnative plants; directed students in building 25 fish habitats for the school's 18-acre lake and installing dozens of bird, bat and wood duck boxes on cam-

pus; supervised planting of more than 8,000 trees by students, faculty and volunteers and led a project to fence in five miles of streams flowing through the school's campus to protect them from livestock, and to create natural buffers along the creeks to protect them from pollution in storm runoff.

Seehorn's efforts have had an impact throughout Georgia. He founded the state's Envirothon Program, part of a nationwide project to help students become environmentally aware adults by carrying out hands-on projects to solve ecological problems relating to soil, water, wildlife, conservation and forestry.

More than 50 Georgia schools now have Envirothon programs.

This year, the National Association of Conservation Districts named Seehorn the National Secondary Teacher of the Year for his work in 1999, and the Georgia Association of Conservation District Supervisors also named him Georgia Teacher of the Year.

"It's gratifying to see the school get behind these projects," Seehorn said. "The faculty and the staff have been out there right along with the students planting trees and cleaning up streams."

The school had its beginning in 1903 as the Nacoochee Institute in White County, established by Presbyterian missionaries to educate poor Appalachian children. In 1905, the Rabun Gap Industrial School in Rabun County was founded for the same purpose. In 1927, the facilities merged.

The school early on was supported by philanthropists such as John D. Rockefeller and Andrew Carnegie. The institution gained international fame for starting Foxfire, whose publications and programs have helped preserve the culture of Appalachian mountain

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# Fox will stay out of wedding business after "Multimillionaire"

NEW YORK (AP)—It wasn't much of a honeymoon for Rick Rockwell and Darva Conger: TV's multimillionaire groom says they didn't consummate their marriage and it's not likely to last.

The Fox network, meanwhile, is divorcing itself from the idea of ever marrying off another multimillionaire after the embarrassment of finding out the star of last week's prime-time special once had a restraining order against him for allegedly threatening an ex-girlfriend.

Rockwell, who married Conger after selecting her from 50 potential brides, told "Dateline NBC" on Tuesday that they slept in separate rooms for all but one night of their

honeymoon and didn't have sex.

Since then, they have returned to their separate California homes and it seems doubtful the marriage, watched by millions on "Who Wants to Marry a Multimillionaire," will last.

"She went back with her mom," Rockwell said.

To everyone who thought the show debased the institution of marriage, Rockwell said he "really had a romantic ideal" in his mind.

But he said both he and Conger signed an agreement that they could annul the marriage, no questions asked. He said he thought that would happen. No matter what happens to the marriage, a network spokesman said, Conger

has received prizes worth a total of \$100,000: the honeymoon, the \$35,000 engagement ring and an Isuzu Trooper.

The syndicated newsmagazine "Inside Edition" quotes a couple that befriended Rockwell and Conger on their Caribbean honeymoon cruise as saying there didn't appear to be much chemistry between them.

"They did not seem like a couple on their honeymoon," said Carol Miller of Bloomfield Hills, Mich. "They seemed like two people thrown together."

In just a few days, Fox went from celebrating the show's high ratings and scheduling an immediate rerun this week, to canceling the rerun

and permanently shelving the whole concept.

It began falling apart when an online news service, The Smoking Gun, revealed Saturday that a California judge issued a restraining order against Rockwell in 1991 sought by his ex-fiancee, Debbie Goyne. She said Rockwell had hit her and threatened to kill her.

Rockwell told "Dateline NBC" that he never hit Goyne, but he admitted to letting the air out of the tires on her car. He said he has a temper but "it doesn't manifest itself too often."

Goyne said in her petition that she concluded Rockwell's "elevator doesn't go all the way to the top floor."

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## Museum tells the often painful history of Louisiana slaves

GONZALES, La. (AP) — "Until the lion writes his own story, the tale of the hunt will always glorify the hunter."

This African proverb is displayed prominently in the River Road African American Museum, a call to black Americans to understand, embrace and share their history, as painful as it is.

Located at Tezcuco Plantation, along the Mississippi River south of Baton Rouge, the museum pays tribute to the many slaves who were brought to Burnside in 1858 to work sugar cane and rice plantations.

To walk through the front door of the museum is to step back in time.

On one wall hang at least a dozen African masks. Nearby sits a preacher's pulpit and a deacon's bench. In one corner is a painting titled "River Preacher" done on corrugated tin. And in another corner stands a washboard, a corn-grinder and a tiny stove, reminders of the plantation slave's everyday life. Throughout the one-room museum are historical documents, photographs and artwork.

Tezcuco Plantation donated the space for the museum, which opened six years ago. Founder and

director Kathe Hambrick says she was grateful, but prepared herself for criticism from people who might question the appropriateness of housing such a display at a plantation.

"Yes, it's ironic and I had mixed feelings at first," she said. "Slavery is a sensitive issue, but our story needed to be told and I'm happy that we went ahead with it."

Hambrick, who always had an interest in African American studies, had lived in Los Angeles for several years when she returned to Louisiana in 1991.

"I went on tours at plantations all over Louisiana and Natchez, and I found that the story of slavery was missing," she said. "People had questions that weren't being answered. That's when I decided to do something."

With the help of many organizations, especially the Greater Baton Rouge Arts Council, the museum opened in March 1994. "By then, we had a nice collection of historical artifacts. People from the River Road area — black and white were sharing their stories with us," she said.

Hambrick is constantly on the lookout for items to add to the

museum's historical collection. Many of the items come from people in the Ascension Parish area, some of whom are descendants of the slaves who lived and toiled on this very spot.

And the story being told here will not be limited to these four walls. Already, plans for expansion are underway. Earlier this month, the museum was finally able to transport a donated 1930s schoolhouse that had been used to educate black children in St. James Parish.

The four-room schoolhouse (Central Elementary) had to be split in two before it could be moved to its permanent location in downtown Donaldsonville. Eventually, it will serve as a post-Civil War museum focusing on education in the rural South.

"Until the late 1950s, Central was the only school for African American children in that area," said Thomas J. Durant, director of African American studies at LSU. "It's a part of our heritage and now it can be preserved and can continue to educate people in the future."

As part of a five-year plan for the River Road African American Mu-

seum, a four-acre site in Darrow has been earmarked to eventually provide art and history camps for children and adults, Hambrick said.

"Kathe had a vision and a dream," said Durant. "And she didn't stop until all this became a reality."

Edna Jordan-Smith, who teaches ancestral research skills at the Bluebonnet Regional Branch Library, has also worked closely with Hambrick. She recently conducted a genealogy workshop at the museum and was surprised by the large turnout.

"The dictation of history meant the breakup of families," she said. "For many African Americans, this was just too painful to think about. But now, especially with the young people, African Americans want to know about their past."

And there lies yet another function of the River Road African American Museum, where visitors can research their ancestry in the extensive records housed at Tezcuco.

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## Realist artists show works in Maryland Art Place museum

BALTIMORE (AP)—It was the summer of golf balls. Then the fall. Months passed and the golf balls remained. They beckoned in the light of morning and afternoon, an invitation not to fetch clubs and head to the course but to get the paint brushes and see what might yet be discovered in a small, still corner of a room.

The manufacturer made the golf balls white and orange. Top Flites, mostly. The painter, Mark E. Karnes, made them in shades of gray, ocher and green, shimmering like sloops in a thick summer haze. Where light hit them brightest he made white globs of paint. The more Karnes looked at the golf balls, the more mysterious they seemed.

"Art, when it's really good, is about celebrating experience,"

Karnes said. "It's taking a golf ball and saying, 'This is really amazing.'"

Karnes, toiling in his attic studio in Rodgers Forge in strict abstractionist circles, could be considered some sort of fussy reactionary—a gentle and painterly Ted Kaczynski raging against the machine. As might Karnes' 12 fellow artists whose work appears in a group show at Maryland Art Place through Feb. 26.

It's realism and more realism in the 110 works of painting, drawing, printmaking and sculpture, although curator Joe Shannon acknowledges range within the category by calling the show "Realist/ Stylist." The title suggests divergent impulses even as Shannon acknowledges that a painter can no more avoid stylizing than you can resist the slant of your own handwriting.

Maryland Art Place in its 17-year history has leaned more toward non-realist stuff, but the appearance of these artists in the first show of what some consider a new millennium turns out to be, not a point of departure, but an accident of timing. This exhibit was meant to follow a show of abstract work in the fall, but logistical complications forced a postponement.

"The sense that everything you look at is new," Karnes said. "That nature is amazingly rich. You don't have to invent."

Those golf balls, for example: Karnes, who turns 52 this year, never considered golf balls as a still-life subject until one day in the summer of 1998 when he and his older son, Eric, returned from the course.

"My pockets would be kind of

filled with tees, golf balls," Karnes said. "I'd lay them up on the dresser."

Next thing he knows he's looking at them sitting there. He's noticing how light bubbles in the dimples. Whites going to silver. Orange balls radiating like tiny sunsets.

"They're really kind of fascinating objects," Karnes said.

Over the next five months that's all he painted. He did 30 oils on Masonite, each smaller than a square foot, and erased about 20 of them. They just weren't quite right.

"After a while you get so bent on it being a certain way," Karnes

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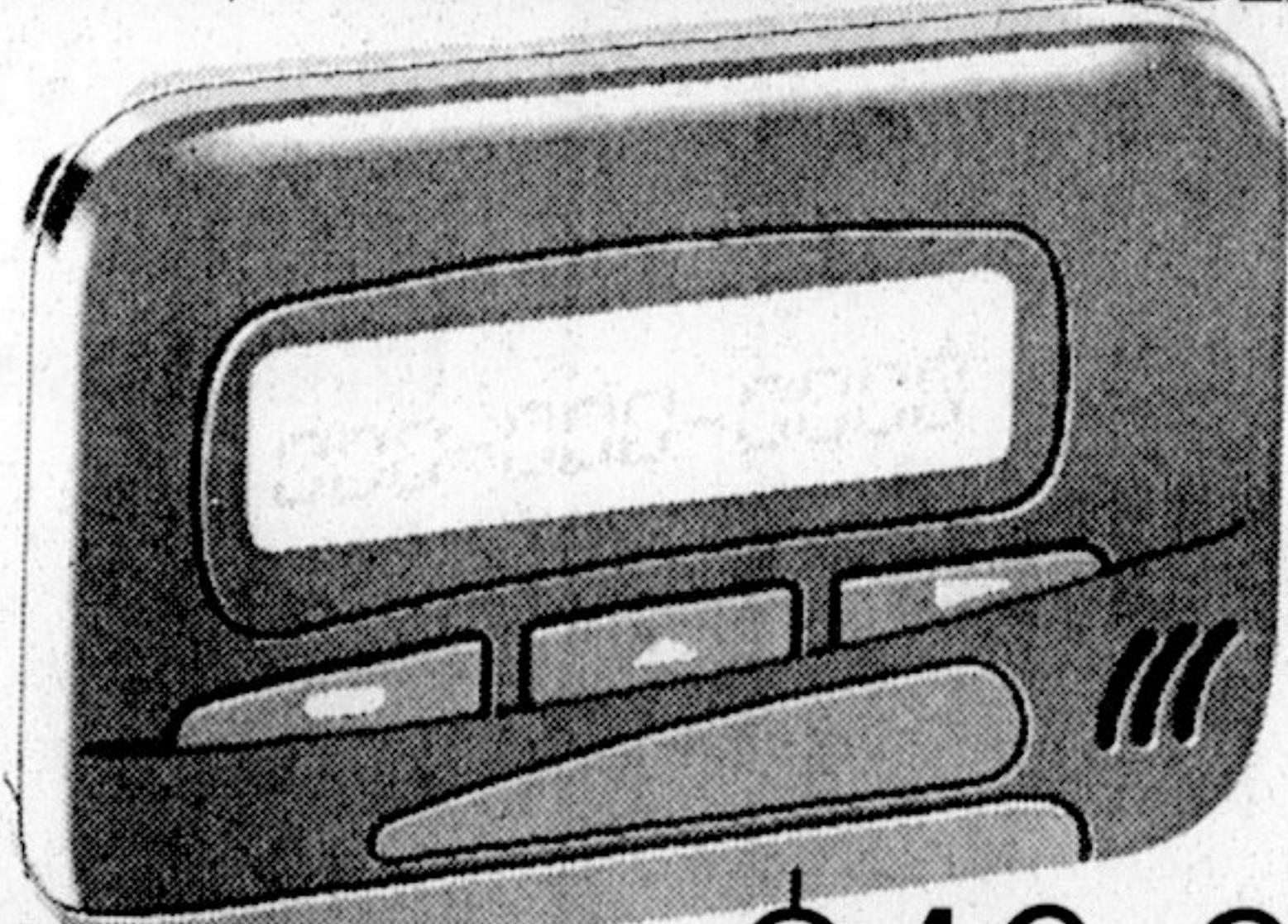
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people. Though no longer part of the school, Foxfire continues as a nonprofit educational entity in Rabun County.

Today, the school is a private institution drawing pupils from 15 countries, from rural and urban areas alike, with day students as well as boarding students. It has retained its Presbyterian ties, and offers something that no public school can—what school Chaplain Jeff Reynolds says is "a spiritual connection to the environment."

"We try to instill in the students that we are all part of creation, and we have an opportunity to connect spiritually to the things around us," Reynolds said. He himself has organized Public Lands Day celebrations, when the whole school and local residents clean up public sites, including two state parks.

Mary Anne Meeks, a Duluth High School teacher and mother of one of Seehorn's students, says her daughter, Mary Elizabeth Meeks, has become keenly aware of environmental concerns through Seehorn and the school's emphasis on ecology. Meeks and other parents say that what their children are learning may help prevent future environmental calamities.

Seehorn, who also coaches the middle school baseball and soccer teams and is president of the Rabun County chapter of Trout Unlimited, notes that environmental issues are complex, and getting children into the very environment that they read about in their textbooks makes the issues come alive for them.

In Betty's Creek, for instance, one of three mountain streams that flow through the school's campus, the insect larvae and other invertebrates that students find indicate the health of the waterway.

Recently, students found mayfly, stonefly, caddis fly, green caddis fly and dragonfly larvae in Betty's Creek. All indicate that the

stream is running pure and clear.

"If this stream was not clean, you wouldn't find these organisms here," Seehorn told the students gathered around him as he removed the creatures from the net.

One reason Betty's Creek runs cleaner these days is because of the stream restoration project Seehorn's students and school staff completed along a 2,000-foot stretch of Sutton Branch, a tributary of Betty's Creek.

They removed invasive nonnative vegetation such as privet and kudzu from the banks and replaced them with more than 500 native trees and other plants. The stream's banks were resloped and seeded, rocks were strategically placed to provide havens for aquatic insects, and a "stream restrictor" was installed to provide fish habitat and help clear away silt. Since then, fecal coliform bacteria levels in that stretch of stream have declined by 50 percent and sedimentation has declined by 25 percent.

The success caught the eye of the Coweeta Hydrologic Laboratory just across the border in North Carolina. The lab is one of 19 long-term ecological research sites established by the National Science Foundation.

Now, in an agreement with the Coweeta lab, every time it rains Seehorn's students scurry to the creeks to gather samples of storm runoff. The lab analyzes them for pesticides, minerals and other substances to help determine whether the natural buffers established along the streams are working to keep out contamination.

"These students are helping us gather real data," said researcher Susan Steiner at the Coweeta lab. "We are fortunate that we can tap into such a program, and the students are fortunate that they have a teacher like Terry Seehorn who can make such a program happen."

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said. "I don't know if you see it so well."

The Maryland Art Place show marks the zone where nature meets what Shannon calls the artist's "inescapable manner." Karnes has two charcoal drawings and 12 small oil paintings in the show, including three golf ball pictures. His work is given a room of its own, Shannon says, because of "the intimacy of the things."

Among the 13 artists in the exhibit, Karnes, who teaches at the Maryland Institute College of Art, falls at the more realist end of the scale along with Martin Kotler, June Virga McAdams and Kim Parr. At the opposite end are Howie Lee Weiss and Lisa Montag Brotman, whose work features recognizable figures in fanciful juxtapositions.

Shannon, who also teaches at the Maryland Institute, says the school has from time to time considered reducing the number of traditional drawing classes students are required to take. So far it hasn't happened—12 credits are mandatory.

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Even though "Who Wants to Marry a Multimillionaire" was a ratings success, Fox won't do anything similar in the future, said spokesman Jeff DeRome.

"Despite your best intentions, you can never really be sure of a person's past behavior or background," DeRome said. "We have an ethical responsibility that dictates we can't be responsible for things like this because we can't be responsible for people's behavior."

It's an issue other networks are likely to face soon, because a flood of similar reality programming is coming in the next few months.

CBS is producing two series, one that drops several contestants on a tropical island in a test of survivor skills and another that films the daily life of people stuck together in a home for several months. ABC is also working on a series that follows the manufacturing of a real-life musical "boy band."

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Labonte cinches 13th career victory

Bobby Labonte beat Dale Earnhardt in the Dura-Lube / Kmart 400. Labonte gave Earnhardt a run for his money. This race was close down to the end. Both drivers wore their tires far beyond the usual mileage in a fight to not lose their spots.

"Tire wear here gives up after 50 laps. I ran 55 laps in practice (Saturday) and almost crashed," Labonte said. "To go that far today, you had to be real patient with the car. Earlier in the race, Earnhardt caught up and passed us a couple of times late in (tire) runs, and he was right on my bumper when we ran 65 before the last stop."

Earnhardt voiced the same concerns regarding running the tires too much.

"I just sort of saved my tires and did the best I could with it. But Bobby was awful strong. He got way away from us and then we just couldn't get back to him. I just ran out of time."



Tiger loses to Clarke

Tiger Woods has yet again been bested by an unlikely champion. Darren Clarke beat woods in the Match Play Championship becoming the first full time European Tour player to win in the U.S. since Lee Westwood in 1998.

"Darren just flat outplayed me," Woods said. "He played beautifully."

Clarke entered the tournament overweight, hardly in shape, and ranked 19th. Even Clarke was surprised by the win.

"To play as well as that under the circumstances today, against the best player in the world, is certainly very gratifying," Clarke said.



Raptor's Carter sets season high

Vince Carter scored a personal high of 51 points, but also an NBA high for this season, helping to lead his team to a 103-102 narrow victory over the Phoenix Suns.

"Inside, I was really excited," Carter said. "I didn't want to show it, but inside I was like a little kid. I looked over at my mom and thought she was going to flip out of her seat."

Teammates are hopeful that Carter will be the next big thing in the NBA.

"He continues to surprise me given the stage like this," said teammate Antonio Davis. "He's going to lead us to the playoffs this year, and for years to come."

Pirates win three straight over Radford

Kyle Barnes  
STAFF WRITER

The ECU baseball team played their second weekend homestand of the season against the Radford Highlanders.

The Pirates came into this weekend ranked 20th in the latest collegiate baseball poll, with a 6-2 record overall. The team battled 4th ranked UNC-Chapel Hill last Wednesday, in a game that ended 6-4 with the Tarheels coming out on top.

In last year's series the Pirates took two of three games from Radford. Thus, the Pirates held high expectations for this weekend's games.

Friday, the Pirates' bats were on fire with five players hitting home runs. Bryant Ward and John Williamson had each homered in the bottom of the third giving ECU an early 4-1 lead.

Williamson's hit was his first in 21 at bats.

"I'm being a little over anxious up there, this is the first struggle I've had in two years, but everyone's human," Williamson said.

The Pirates right fielder finished Friday's match with three hits, four runs batted in and three runs scored, also making a phenomenal home run-saving catch in the seventh. From there the offense never stopped, with homers coming from James Molanari and Cliff Godwin in the fifth inning. The Pirates were up 11-4.

Three more runs were added in the sixth and seventh. In the eighth, the Pirates tacked on four more runs, from a Lee Delfino grand slam. Strong relief pitching would help close the game out, giving freshman starter Scott Greene his second win



The Pirates celebrate one of their many runs in their series with Radford. (photos by Garrett McMillan)

as the Pirates won 20-6.

Saturday's game looked as if it might be won in the same fashion, with ECU's high-powered offense scoring eight runs in the first three innings. Designated hitter Joseph Hastings smashed homers in both the first and third innings, Erik Bakich would also get in on the action with his first home run of the season coming in the third.

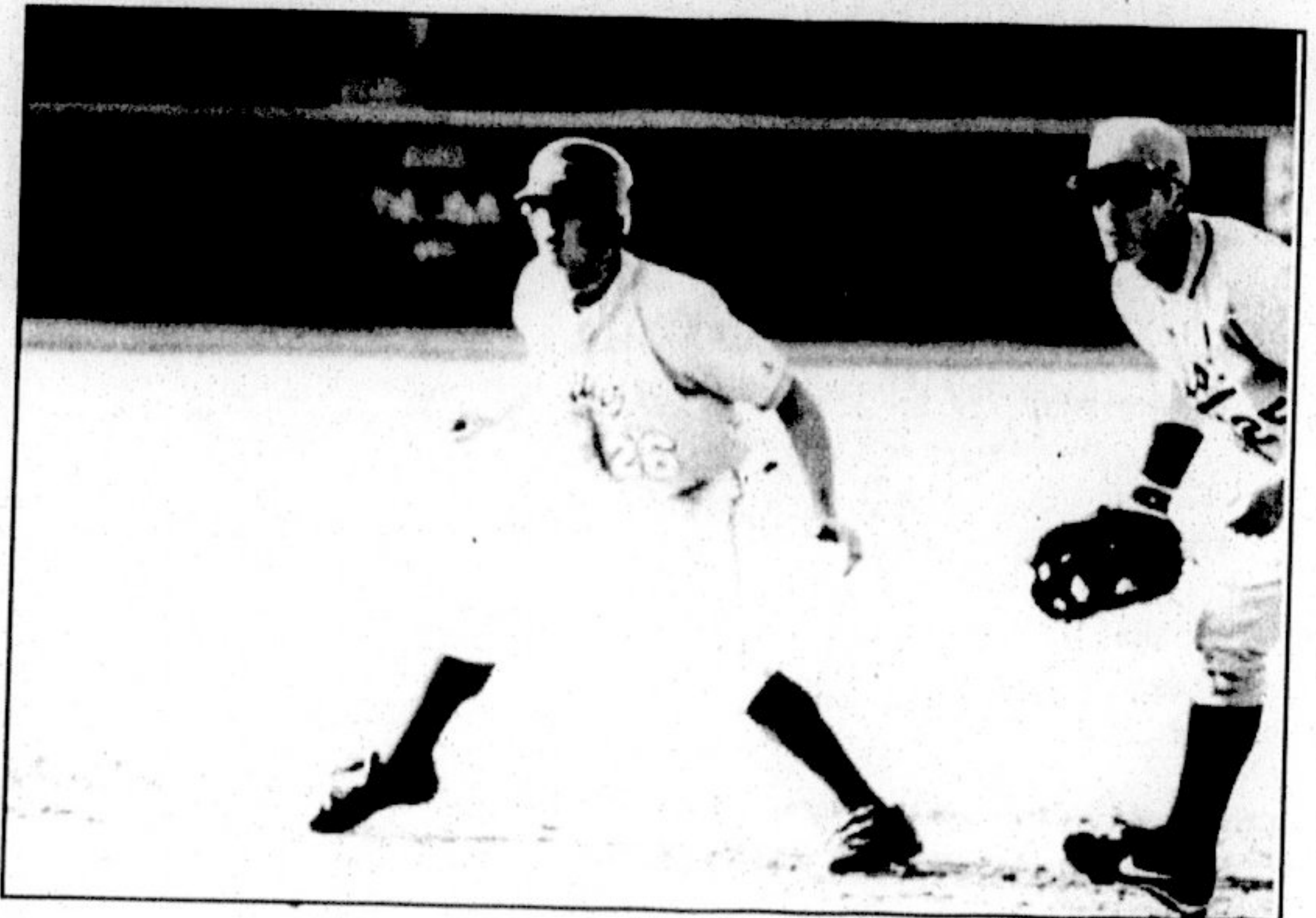
Starting pitcher Jeremy Schumacher was in cruise control holding the Highlanders to two hits, and striking out 10 through six innings of play.

Radford charged back scoring seven runs in two innings before right handed reliever Cory Scott entered for the Pirates. Scott would finish the eighth and later save the game for ECU in the ninth without giving up any hits or runs. ECU lead the series 2-0 with the 9-7 win.

While the first two games were slugfests, Sunday's game included everything that a true baseball fan comes to the ballpark to see. Each team was forced to manufacture their runs and count on someone to be the hero.

The first half of the game belonged to Radford. They shutdown the Pirates and scored four runs in the third to take control. However, the Pirate players were hungry for the sweep and answered in the sixth with a four run spot of their own. A pinch hit single by Kevin Grieve lead off the inning and four more base hits from the top of the lineup tied the game.

Shortstop Lee Delfino had the play of the day, making a diving stop up the middle and hooking up with second baseman Schnabel for a double play, that probably kept the go ahead run from scoring.



John Williamson leads looks to steal against the Highlanders. (photo by Garrett McMillan)

Lady Pirates win CAA Title

Hendrick qualifies for Olympic trials

Ryan Downy  
STAFF WRITER

The ECU Lady Pirates celebrated their fourth CAA championship in six years Saturday in Fairfax, Va. The men swam well, but finished fifth in the final standings.

A first-place finish by sophomore Josh Lepree in the 100 breast stroke highlighted the men's competition. This is the first ECU individual men's championship win since Lance Tate finished first in the 200 breast in 1993.

"It was an amazing swim," said head coach Rick Kobe. "He was seeded sixth in lane two and he came form behind to win a CAA title. It was great."

The Lady Pirates had many breathtaking performances during the conference championships. The biggest individual performance accomplishment was sophomore Amy Hendrick's first-place finish in the 100 backstroke. Hendrick swam a preliminary time of 56.22, her personal record. In addition, 56.22 is the cutoff point for the Olympic trials. She is classified as eligible for the tryouts, which begin this August. She will not know if she will be invited until later this week.

"Amy was seeded first and she did what was expected," Kobe said. "She has been swimming great all year, and she swam great races today and deserves her second title in two years."

Hendrick, who still has two years of eligibility remaining, is thrilled at her performance.

"It's one of those dreams you have; you always look up to the guys when you are a kid. It's a dream come true," Hendrick said. "When I first made it I think my coach was more excited than I was."

Getting to that level is not easy. Lots of work has to be put in during practice every day. Hendrick has worked many hours to achieve this. "All season it has been one of

those things where you work on the little things: The turns, the starts, the finishes. Everything matters," Hendrick said.

The championship was a perfect way to end a season for the women who finished with only one conference loss this season. The lone loss to Wilmington stuck in the heads of the Lady Pirates going to the championship meet.

"Finishing first was at the back of our minds going to the meet; we were thinking Wilmington would win it; they had more depth in our weak events," junior Tracey Ormond said. "It brought us closer together. I think we all pulled together. We never had doubts about anybody on the team."

Senior Adrienne Cross was a little nervous going into the meet, but her apprehension turned to joy as the Lady Pirates were able to pull out the close victory leaving her nearly speechless and giving her a chance to finish her career as a champion.

"I can't even put it into words; it was so exciting I can't even describe how I felt," she said. "Wilmington had beaten us earlier in the year and I was afraid this conference meet might be a race for second. This meet was the best meet of my life, I couldn't have gone out any better."

CAA Tournament Standings

WOMEN		Points
1. ECU		587
2. James Madison		563
3. UNC-Wilmington		562
4. William and Mary		447.50
5. American		421
6. Richmond		364.50
7. Old Dominion		340
8. George Mason		154
MEN		Points
1. James Madison		602.50
2. Old Dominion		577
3. American		518
4. William and Mary		514
5. ECU		453

The coaching has been great, and this meet has brought all of us together and ended it on a good note.

"I think we have a great group, everyone stepped up at this meet in all the classes. I think they're are going to have a really good team over the next couple of years."

Sophomore Dana Fuller, who finished second in the 1650 setting a new ECU varsity record with a time of 17:08.42, did not know what to think until the final scores were being tabulated.

"I was really ecstatic," she said. "I went in not thinking we would win it. When we found out we were outscoring everybody it was really exciting. This helped me for this year, my swimming has been up and down and this helps me get more motivated for next year. We have a fast group of freshmen coming in."

The men also set new records at the conference meet in the 400 IM. Junior Claes Lindgren set a new varsity record of 4:01.49, breaking a record set by teammate Will Huggins at 4:02.33. While the men didn't have as big of a year as the women, they were able to swim hard and close the season with class and style. That class is personified in senior Mike Julian.

"I would have liked for us to have done better, but it was really fun to see how fast everyone was swimming," Julian said. "Being part of a team and having everybody swimming for a common goal was a great experience. I have met a lot of people on the team and around the conference. It has been really cool. It hasn't hit me that I'm done yet. I had the best meet of my life. It was a nice way to end my career."

In all, the coaching staff is pleased with the results of the meet.

"The girls swam a great meet," said Kobe. "I could not be more happy with the performances on both sides. This was a great conference meet on both sides."

Lady Pirates win final home test



The Lady Pirates won their final home game of the season Sunday, defeating George Mason 67-59. The Pirates got 19 points from senior forward Danielle Melvin and 13 from fellow senior Waynetta Veney.



Joanna Fogaca (top) brings the ball up against George Mason. Danielle Melvin (above) scores two of her team high 19 points Sunday. (photos by Garrett McMillan)

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Basketball

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Phi Kappa  
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## Intramural Standings

### Basketball

#### Fraternity Gold Playoff Semi-finalists

Pi Kappa Alpha A	5-0
Sigma Alpha Epsilon A	5-0
Lambda Chi Alpha A	4-1

#### Fraternity Purple Playoff Semi-finalists

Phi Kappa Tau B	4-1
Sigma Alpha Epsilon B	4-1
Sigma Phi Epsilon B	4-1
Pi Kappa Alpha B	3-2

#### Men's Gold

Playoff Semi-finalists	
CFW	5-0
The Ballers	4-0
Team Fabulous	4-1
STR8 Ballerz	2-3

#### Men's Purple Quarter-finalists

Westside Knuckleheadz	6-0
Runnin' Rebels	6-0
So Quick	6-0
Larry's Legends	4-2

#### Men's Purple

Sweet Sixteen Teams -	
Outkastz	3-2
Chi Phi	4-0
Pawn Starz	5-0
Fighting Fog Dogs	5-0
Young Casanovas	4-1
Weather Related	3-2
Hellraisers	4-1
Quik Five	5-0

#### Men's Residence Hall Finalists

Bass Boosters and Penthouse	
Gigolo's	
Sorority Se	4-0
Delta Zeta	3-1
Alpha Omicron Pi	2-2
Alpha Xi Delta	1-3

#### Women's Gold Finalists

Quiet Storm 4-0 and The El-Dog	
Pound	2-3

#### Women's Purple/Residence Hall Finalists

The Black Widows	6-0
and Flaming Boxers	4-2
Co-Rec Semi-finalists	
Knuckleheadz	4-0
Da Freaks	3-1
Extremes	2-2
Baptist Student Union	3-2

#### Women's Purple/Residence Hall Finalists

Fraternity Gold Champion—Phi Kappa Tau A	
Fraternity Purple Finalists—Pi Kappa Phi B, Phi Kappa Psi B	
Sorority Finalists—Pi Delta, Alpha Omicron Pi	

#### Fraternity Purple Finalists—Pi Kappa Phi B, Phi Kappa Psi B

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#### Independent League

Middle E. Connection	3-0
Sexy B.'s	2-1
God's Children	2-1
Terrahawks	1-2
The Sensations	1-2
Queen Pins	0-3

#### Men's

Research Commandos	4-0
Off in the Closet	0-4
Co-Rec	
Lori's Intimate Apparel	4-0
Funky Cold Medina	3-1
B.A.R.S.	3-1
18 Straight and Counting	2-2
Buckalew Buck-N-EARS	0-4
2-Wall	0-4

#### Racquetball Singles

Fraternity Gold champion—Jonathan Kass	
Fraternity Purple champion—Noah Zacharko	

#### Men's Gold Playoff

Semi-finalists—Brent Walters, Charlie DeBlasio, Ricky Brown, Carl Swanson	
Men's Purple champion—Chad Helton	
Women's champion—Rebecca Chlebanowski	

#### Racquetball Doubles

Brent Walters/Jason Wright	3-0
Jeff Novak/Phil McDaniel	2-0
Derek Massey/Daryl Rackley	1-1
Jason Baldwin/Chad Helton	1-1

#### Women's Purple/Residence Hall Finalists

Louis Galiotti/Derek Gwaltney	1-2
Jenn Baker/Rebecca Chlebanowski	0-2
Jason Merrill/James Reeds	0-2

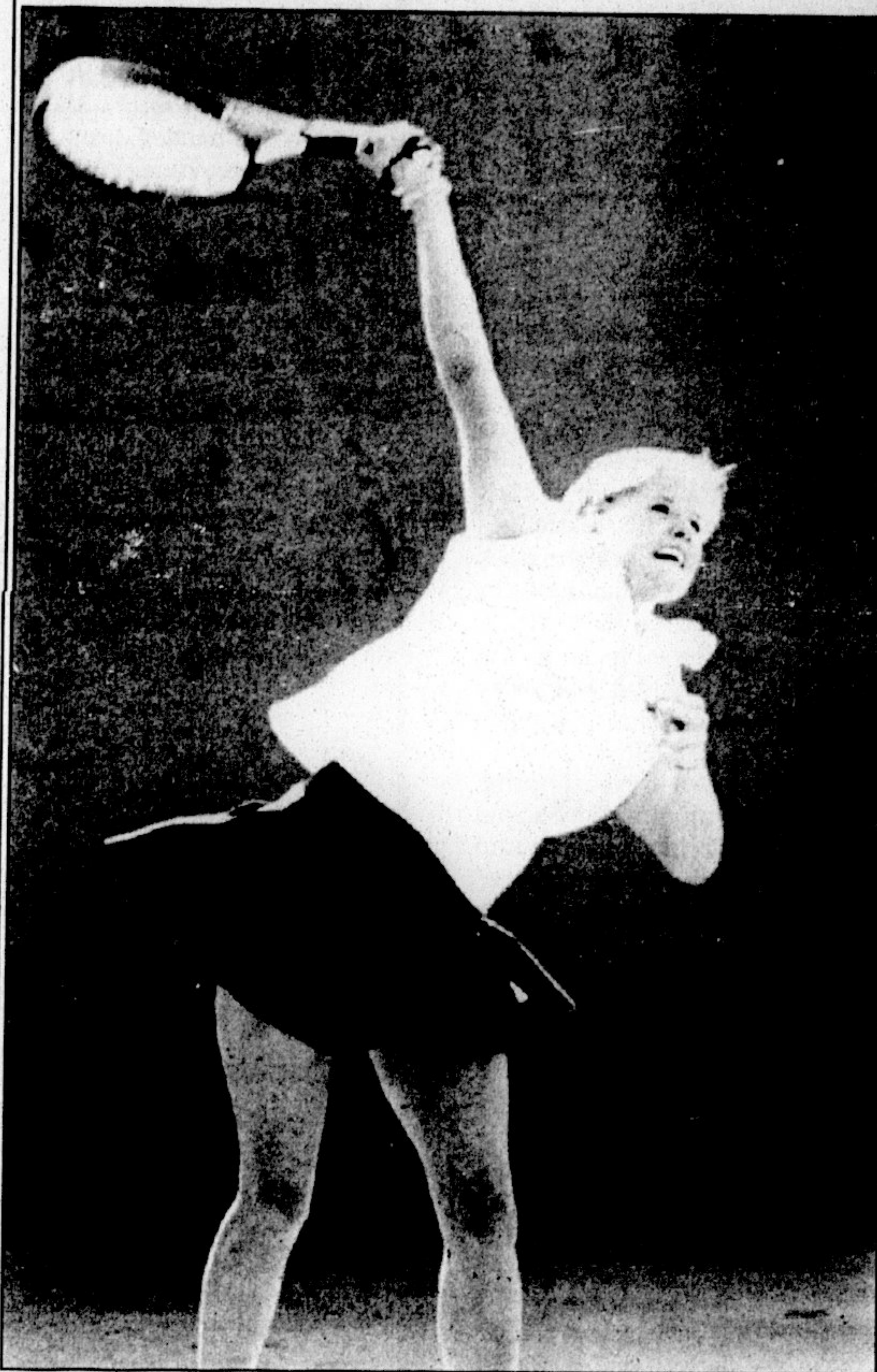
#### Bowling

Fraternity Gold Champion—Phi Kappa Tau A	
4-on-4 Volleyball and Foosball will be included next week.	

# Lady Pirates beat Elon College

ECU's women's tennis team defeated Elon College Friday. The Lady Pirates topped the Fightin' Christians, 9-0. Earlier in the week the Lady Pirates traveled to Charlotte and defeated UNC-Charlotte, 6-1.

ECU's Andrea Terrill (right) prepares to serve against Elon, Friday. Senior Asa Ellbring smashes an Elon lob in Friday's competition. (photos by Garrett McMillan)



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## Raptors' Carter scores 51 points

TORONTO (AP) — Vince Carter doesn't mind the pressure of playing in the spotlight. In fact, he thrives in it.

Carter scored a career-high 51 points — the most in the NBA this season — leading the Toronto Raptors to a 103-102 victory over the Phoenix Suns on Sunday in front of a national television audience.

"Inside, I was really excited," Carter said. "I didn't want to show it, but inside I was like a little kid. I looked over at my mom and thought she was going to flip out of her seat."

Two weeks ago, Carter easily won the slam-dunk contest at the All-Star game with his reverse 360-degree jam. When he played at Madison Square Garden last week, he narrowly missed the first triple-double of his career.

He scored 34 points against the Lakers in Los Angeles earlier this season and had 39 against the defending NBA champion San Antonio Spurs.

If it's a big game, Carter has usually put on a show.

"The young legend grows," Raptors coach Butch Carter said. "But he has to play like this against the teams that are below .500."

Carter made 17 of 32 shots

and was 13-of-13 from the foul line. He hit four 3-pointers, grabbed nine rebounds, had three steals and also provided the crowd with a number of high-flying moves.

"He continues to surprise me given the stage like this," teammate Antonio Davis said. "He's going to lead us to the playoffs this year, and for years to come."

The previous highest point total in the NBA this season was 50 by the Suns' Clifford Robinson and the 76ers' Allen Iverson.

Carter's previous high game was a 47-point performance against Milwaukee on Jan. 14 when he played against Ray Allen for the first time since learning that Allen was selected instead of him for the U.S. Olympic team.

"You're not going to stop a Carter, a Shaq or an Iverson," Jason Kidd said. "You just try to contain them."

Carter scored his final points with a driving layup through a double team with 47 seconds left, bringing the sellout crowd to its feet and giving the Raptors a 103-99 lead.

Rodney Rogers hit a quick 3-pointer to make it a one-point deficit with 37 seconds left.

The Raptors then lost the ball on a shot-clock violation, and Phoenix had one last chance. But Rogers lost control of the ball when he drove for the lane after Charles Oakley got a piece of the ball.

"That 51 is big because they win, but if we execute that play down the stretch and get the basket, that 51 is still nice, but they take the 'L,'" Robinson said.

Tracy McGrady added 15 points for Toronto, who snapped a three-game home losing streak. Davis had 11 rebounds.

"We need him to come out and play like that every game. He doesn't necessarily have to score 51 points, but he has to be aggressive," Davis said. "He was aggressive today and made something happen every time."

Penny Hardaway and Rogers both had 28 points for the Suns, who had beaten Toronto three straight times and won eight of their nine previous games.

"We understood that Vince was going to be fired up because NBC was here," Hardaway said. "That's a pretty big deal in this league."

Carter brought Toronto back from a three-point deficit early in the fourth quarter with three straight midrange jumpers, giving the Raptors a 84-82 lead. Hardaway had a couple of 3s, closing the gap to 99-96 with 1:48 left.

Carter made an eye-popping, 360-degree layup that drew a foul from Hardaway three minutes into the third quarter. A minute later, Carter slammed down an alley-oop from McGrady to give Toronto a 62-

57 lead.

"It was a good coming-out party for Vince on NBC," said Kidd, who had just nine points and four assists.

Toronto started to get sloppy after that and allowed Phoenix back into the game.

Carter, who had 25 points in the first half, hit consecutive 3-pointers with two minutes left in the second quarter and followed that up with a two-handed dunk to give the Raptors a nine-point lead.

"Seems like every time we tried to make a run on them, he put the lead further away from us," Hardaway said. "He was making some amazing shots."

Notes: Near the end of the second quarter, Carter scored eight points in a 52-second span. ... Carter received a standing ovation after the game. ... It was the Suns' first game in Toronto since Feb. 3, 1998. ... The Suns finish their four-game road swing on Tuesday in Cleveland.

## Clarke beats Tiger at match play

CARLSBAD, Calif. (AP) — Darren Clarke hardly seemed the type to be at La Costa playing Tiger Woods for \$1 million. Overweight and underhyped, smoking a cigar between shots, he looked more like he belonged on a stool in the neighborhood pub.

Only the night before, he had to be told his Match Play Championship final against Woods was 36 holes, not 18 as he had thought.

Yet there he was on Sunday, chugging down the fairway after another perfectly placed tee shot. There he was, keeping the pressure on Woods with iron shots snuggled close to the pins.

And there he was, accepting a

handshake from Woods on the 33rd hole of the day after doing what everyone else failed to do all week — beat the world's best player in the format he plays best.

"He did to Tiger Woods what Tiger Woods does to everybody else," swing guru Butch Harmon said.

The most unlikely looking challenger to Woods might have been the one least intimidated by the best golfer in the world.

It was Clarke keeping the pressure on Woods, who could do little as Clarke made four birdies in five holes during the front nine of the afternoon round to turn an even match into a rout.

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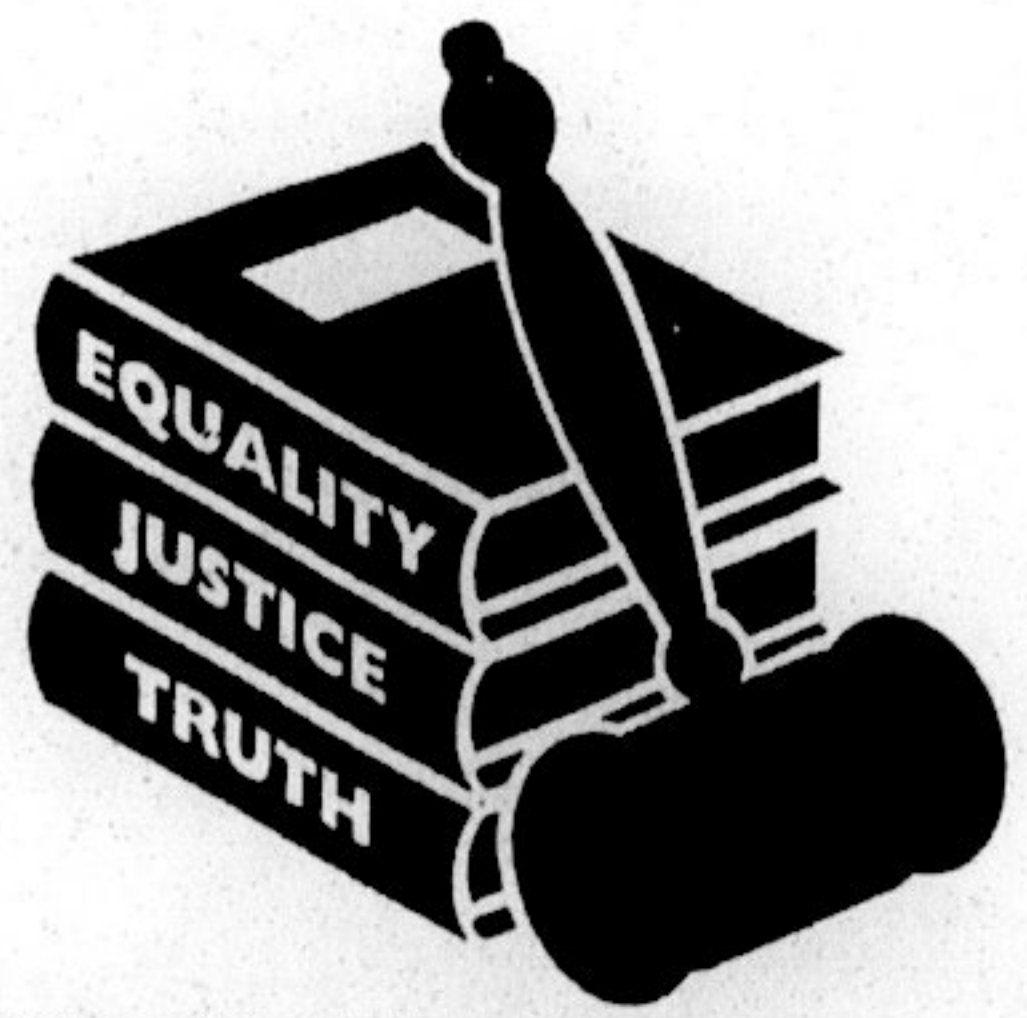
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## De La Hoya looks to Trinidad

NEW YORK (AP) — After disposing of Derrell Coley with a seventh-round knockout, Oscar De La Hoya looked back. And ahead.

De La Hoya has promised to fight four times in 2000 and win by knockout all four times. He hopes one of the opponents is Felix Trinidad, who beat him last September, the 1992 Olympic gold medalist's only professional defeat.

That loss to Trinidad has made all the difference in his career, De La Hoya said.

"Trinidad was a blessing in disguise," said De La Hoya, who also has a bout with Shane Mosley in mind. "Boxing him for 12 rounds obviously did not work, and it changed my whole mentality and the way I

approach boxing.

"His performance and my performance when we fought Sept. 18 changed everything for me. Things happen for a reason and I was feeling I was unstoppable and couldn't lose, and this loss with Trinidad was the best thing that can happen to me.

"Thank you Trinidad, it is bringing out the best in me."

He pretty much was at his best Saturday night. Coley challenged only early in the fourth round, when he rocked De La Hoya and seemed ready to seize control. Instead, De La Hoya came right back to stagger Coley, who never threatened again.

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## Bobby Labonte holds off Earnhardt

ROCKINGHAM, N.C. (AP) — A classic finish was building, with Dale Earnhardt at his intimidating best chasing down leader Bobby Labonte late in the Dura-Lube/Kmart 400.

Labonte's lead of more than six seconds was diminishing by the lap on North Carolina Speedway's 1.017-mile oval.

But not even the sight of the feared black No. 3 Chevrolet looming in his mirror could deter Labonte, whose ever-increasing confidence and consistent performance has made him one of the favorites in the 2000 Winston Cup championship chase.

On Sunday, it came down to two fast drivers with differing strategies on a track that eats up tires.

"Earnhardt was so good on long runs we knew we had to adjust for the short runs and be better," Labonte explained.

Meaning that after the final tire change, Labonte almost literally drove the wheels off his No. 18 Pontiac to get that big lead over Earnhardt, then hung on for dear life as the sly seven-time champion came after him.

"Tire wear here gives up after 50 laps. I ran 55 laps in practice (Saturday) and almost crashed," said Labonte, who drove the last 64 laps on one set of tires, as did Earnhardt. "To go that far today, you

had to be real patient with the car.

"Earlier in the race, Earnhardt caught up and passed us a couple of times late in (tire) runs, and he was right on my bumper when we ran 65 before the last stop."

Earnhardt said, "I just sort of saved my tires and did the best I could with it. But Bobby was awful strong. He got way away from us and then we just couldn't get back to him. I just ran out of time."

The calculated effort on the part of Labonte and crew chief Jimmy Makar paid off with the driver's first victory in Rockingham and the 13th of his career.

The series runner-up ended 1999 with 10 straight finishes of eighth or better, including a victory in the final race in Atlanta. Now he has finished sixth and first in the two races so far this year.

"Over the winter, I kept asking Jimmy, 'Can we get back on track? Can we get back on track?' You never know what competition is going to have for you," Labonte said. "To win this early is exciting. I'm not going to sleep tonight, to be honest with you."

Labonte, who trails defending series champion and Daytona 500 winner Dale Jarrett by five points in the standings, said he knows people will start asking him about a possible championship now.

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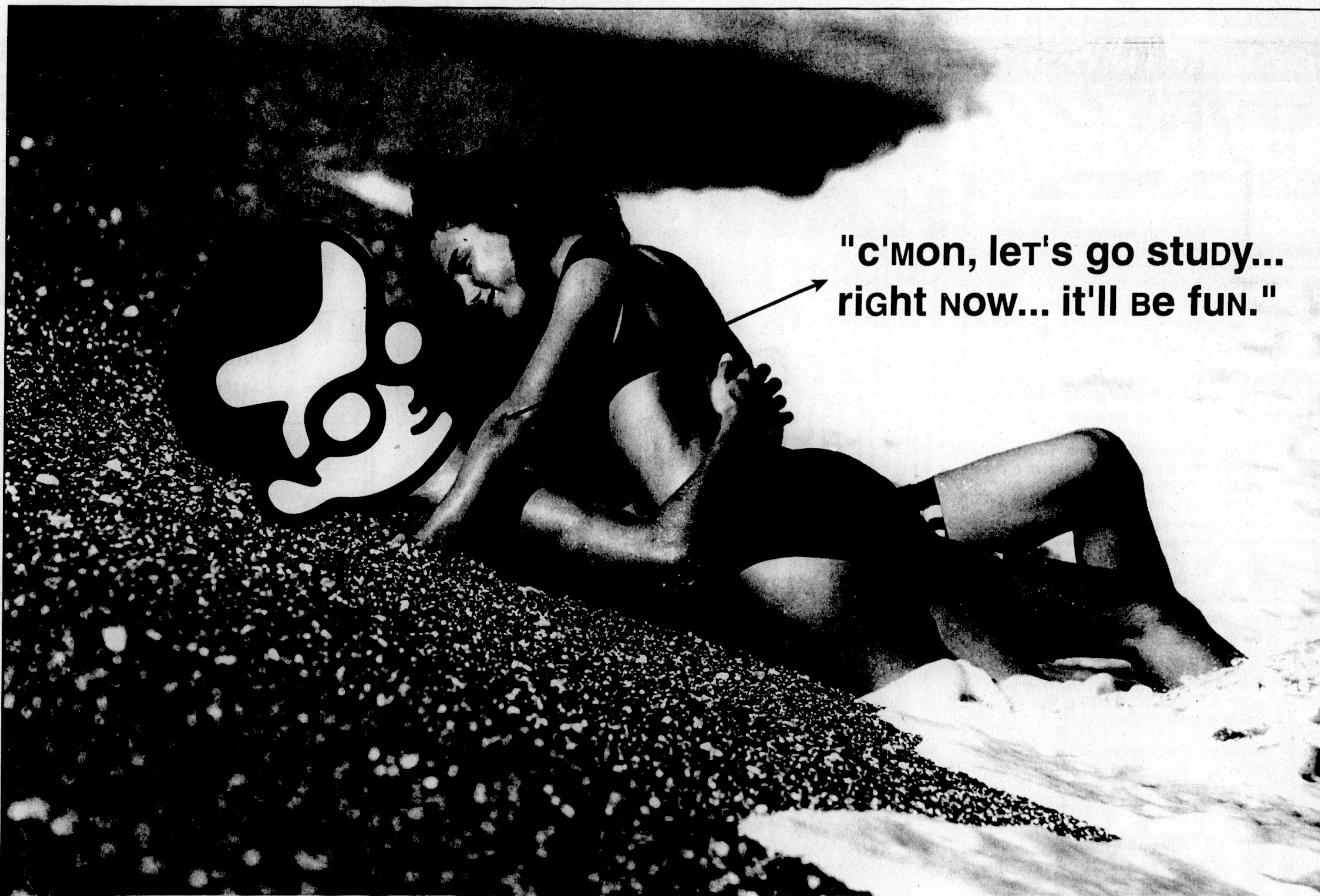
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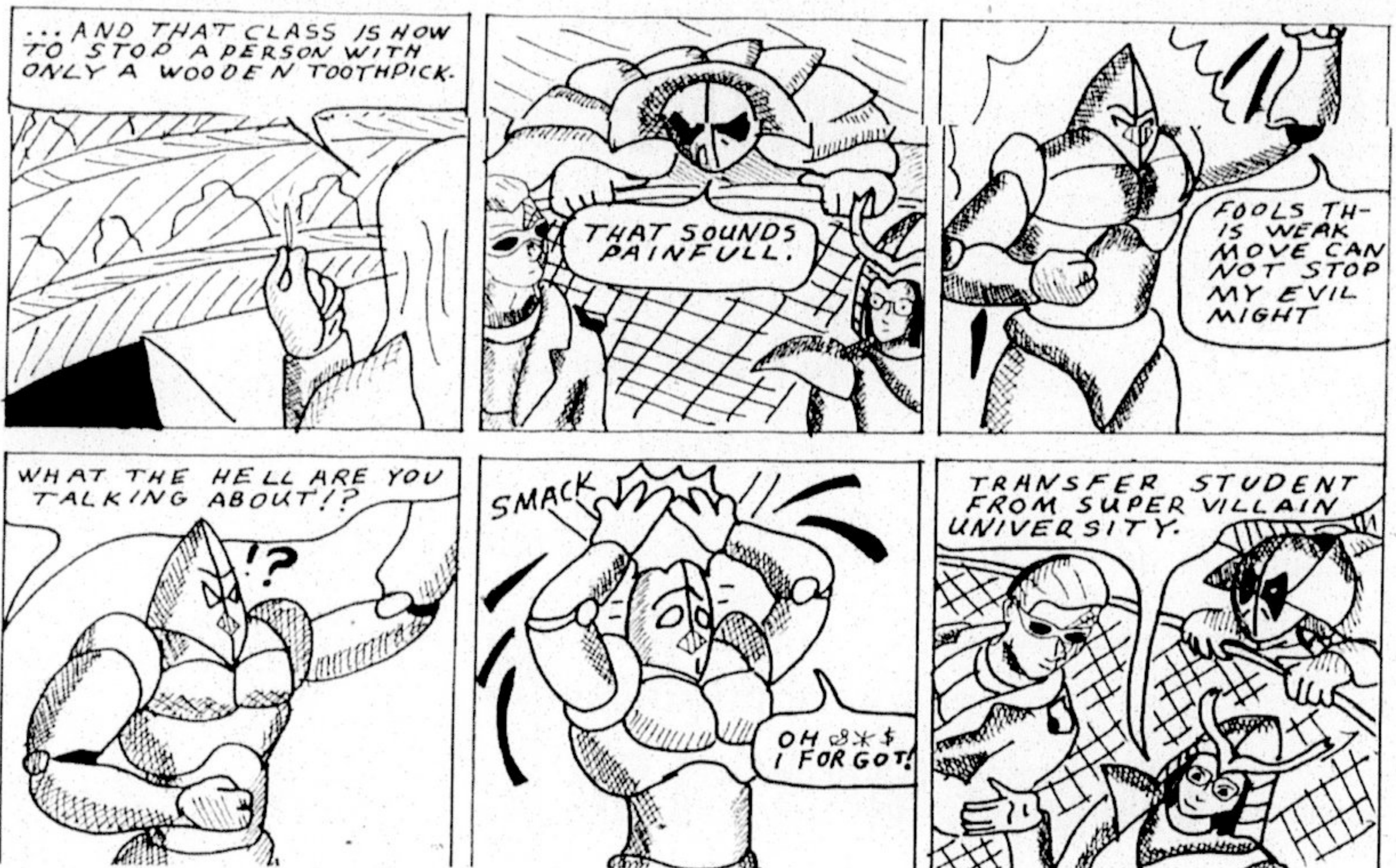
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**movie Reviews**

**Run Lola Run (R)**  
Winner of the Audience Award at Sundance and the highest grossing film in German history, this rapid-fire, outlaw-couple romance combines MTV razzle-dazzle, film noir fatalism, and post-Tarantino plot-twisting. Lola, the rebellious daughter of a philandering banker, gets a frantic phone call from her hotheaded boyfriend, who has lost the money entrusted to him in a drug deal. They have exactly twenty minutes to come up with 100 marks. Can they do it?

**Sleepy Hollow (R)**  
Based on Washington Irving's classic story *The Legend of Sleepy Hollow*, this romantic thriller, set in the 1780's, tells of a small-town schoolmaster who proves his bravery to a young woman by vowing to travel a road said to be haunted by a headless horseman -- only to discover that the horseman is more than just a legend.

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Mercury Cinema: Run Lola Run (R)  
7:30pm / Hendrix  
Blockbuster Film: Sleepy Hollow (R)  
10pm / Hendrix (Special Showing)

**02 THIRSTY THURSDAY**  
Blockbuster Film: Sleepy Hollow (R)  
7:30pm / Hendrix  
Mercury Cinema: Run Lola Run (R)  
10pm / Hendrix

**03 FABULOUS FRIDAY**  
No Film due to Mardi Gras Festivities in Mendenhall!

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For additional information contact the: Central Ticket Office, Mendenhall Student Center, East Carolina University, Greenville, NC 27858-4353, or call 252.328.4788, toll free 1.800.ECU.ARTS, or V/TTY 252.328.4736, 8:30 a.m. - 6 p.m., Monday - Friday. Individuals who require accommodations under ADA should contact the Department for Disability Support Services at 252.328.4802 forty-eight hours prior to the start of the program.

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**1 BEDROOM** Apt. for rent on Holly and 5th, \$350 mo., pets OK, across from ECU Art build. Call 752-8240.

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**1 or 2 bedrooms, 1 bath, range refrigerator, free water/sewer, washer/dryer hookups, laundry facilities, 5 blocks from campus, ECU bus services.**

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## ROOMMATE WANTED

**NOT STUDENT** seeking nonsmoking roommate to share two bedroom two full bath apartment in Hyde Park for May and/or August. Call 215-8881 and ask for Brandy.

**FEMALE ROOMMATE** needed to share 2 bedroom apt. On ECU bus route. Very spacious. Rent is \$210 per month plus half utilities. Call Shellie at 329-1342.

**NON-SMOKING**, Studious female roommate wanted for mid-May. 3 bedroom, 3 bath apartment. \$250 plus 1/3 utilities, private phone line. No pets. Call 931-9467.

**ROOMMATES NEEDED** to share 3 bedroom house 1 block from campus. Rent 160 + 1/3 utilities. Call Amanda 413-6953.

**STILL LOOKING** for roommate! Clean townhouse, only bedroom furniture needed. \$225 month plus utilities. Rent from now until May. Owner occupied, student. Call Wendy 439-2271.

**ROOMMATE NEEDED** to share 2 bedroom 11/2 baths at Georgetown Apts. across the street from campus. \$250 month plus 1/2 utilities. Call Jay 561-8156.

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## HELP WANTED

**ADULT ENTERTAINERS** and dancers needed. Must be 18 own phone and transportation. No drugs. Make \$1500 weekly. 758-2737.

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**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED** to help at shelter for homeless dogs. Send a email to studekennels@aol.com/ or check out website http://members.aol.com/studekennels or call 551-9599.

**THE GREENVILLE** Recreation & Parks Department is looking for umpires for the Adult Spring/Summer Softball League. Pay will range from \$13-\$20 a game. Clinics will be held to train new and experienced umpires. However, a basic knowledge and understanding of the game is necessary. The first training meeting will be held Thursday, March 9 at 7:30pm at the Elm Street Gym. Softball season will run from May thru August. For more information, please call 329-4550 after 2:00pm Monday through Friday.

**LOSE WEIGHT** and make \$money\$!! Lose 7-29 lbs per month. Earn up to \$1200 month. 19 years of guaranteed results! Call 757-2292 for Free Consultation!

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## HELP WANTED

**SECURE YOUR** summer job before you go on Spring Break. Two full-time "summer positions" open (Retail sales/ Water analysis) part-time hrs. 8-1:30 OR 12:30-6:00. Must be able to work weekends and holidays. Will train. Training starts in March. Apply immediately. Greenville Pool & Supply Co., 3730 S. Charles St., Greenville, NC 27858-355-7121. Contact: Carol

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**SUMMER CAMP** counselors needed for premier camps in Massachusetts & New Hampshire. Positions available for talented, energetic, and fun loving students as general counselors and specialty counselors in all team sports, all individual sports such as Tennis & Golf, Waterfront and Pool activities, and specialty activities including art, dance, theater, gymnastics, newspaper, rockery & radio. Great Salaries, room, board, and travel. June 17th-August 16th. Enjoy a great summer that promises to be unforgettable. Check out our web site and apply on line at www.greatcampjobs.com or call 1-800-562-0737.

**SUMMER ACTIVITIES** Director/Coordinator- Mature person needed for summer beach cottage at Indian Beach from May to August. Responsible for providing lifeguarding at the ocean, checking in groups, providing recreational information for groups, and supervising beach cottage activities. housing provided at cottage. Send letter of interest and resume to Director, Baptist Children's Homes of NC, 2557 Cedar Dell Lane, Kinston, NC 28504 EOE.

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**EXOTIC DANCERS** \$1000-\$1500 weekly. Legal lap dancing. No experience needed. Age 18 up, all nationalities. 919-580-7084. Goldsboro.

**ADULT ENTERTAINMENT** 18+, PT/FT, \$300-500/wk. 746-8425.

**TRADER KATE'S** is seeking a part time sales/stock associate. 18-24 hours per week. Applicant chosen will be honest, reliable, outgoing, well-spoken, and neat in appearance. Applicants must be available to work 3pm-9pm shift on weekends. Shifts vary on weekends. Apply in person Tuesday-Friday 1pm-7pm at Trader Kate's, outside the Plaza Mall, 714 East Greenville Blvd., Greenville, NC 355-5283. Trader Kate's is a drug free workplace.

## GREEK PERSONALS

**SHARI** have a great week! Can't wait to see you at Big Little Day XOXO your big sis.

**TO JAMIE** Long- thanks you for all of your hardwork and dedication for the Ritual Retreat! Love your Alpha Xi Delta sisters.

**GAMMA SIGMA** Sigma announces its 9th annual Pick-A-Pirate on Tuesday, February 29th. It will be held at the Attic from 9:00-11:00. Doors open at 8:00. All proceeds benefit PICASO.

**CONGRATULATIONS TO** Joe Biggers on your lavalier to Heather Hodges. Heather, welcome to the family. We wish you both the best. The brothers of Delta Chi.

**ALPHA XI** Delta is excited to have Sigma Sigma Sigma as our sister sorority! Let's get together soon!

**TO ALL** Sigma Alpha Epsilon Ravers, Hip-Hops, and Rednecks, we had a blast Friday night. We will try to keep the noise down next time! Love Chi Omega.

## GREEK PERSONALS

**ZETA TAU** Alpha, we had a great time getting laid Thursday night, can't wait to limbo again. Sigma Nu

**THE SISTERS** of Alpha Xi Delta would like to invite all girls interested in sorority life to our spring fling open house March 7th form 5-7. Please call 758-5677 for details. Hope to see you there!

**PHI KAPPA** Alpha, thank you for the pre-downtown at O'Malley's last Thursday night. Lets get together again soon. Love, Chi Omega.

## OTHER

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**ARE YOU** like me and just simply cannot lose weight? I need a diet and workout partner to get slim before warmer weather! If you can identify, call me at 756-9393. Let's make it work together!

**THE ALUMNI** ECU ring stands for more than you can measure, so this is where you'll find the "special treasure." (hint: don't "read" too much into this clue) (If you found the clue hidden on campus call 439-1875 to receive your reward. Ask for Tim.)

**ACT NOW! LAST CHANCE TO RESERVE YOUR SPOT FOR SPRING BREAK! DISCOUNTS FOR 6 OR MORE! SOUTH PADRE, CANCUN, JAMAICA, BAHAMAS, ACAPULCO, FLORIDA & MARDI GRAS. REPS NEEDED...TRAVEL FREE. 800-838-8203/WWW.LEISURETOURS.COM**

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**WISHING TO** meet other students who are over 27? Join Adult & Commuter Student Services on Monday, March 6th, 6-7 p.m. in their office on the lower level of Mendenhall for a monthly gathering of ECU adult students.

**ECU SOM** is currently taking applications for Spanish interpreters. ECU students that can speak and write Spanish fluently with morning availability. Can call ECU SOM @ 816-3664 and ask for Javier to schedule an appointment.

**"MEDICINE AND** the Ethics of Animal Experimentation" Monday, March 6; 12:30-1:30pm in Brody 2W-50. Ray Frey, Ph.D. Professor, Department of Philosophy. Senior research fellow, social philosophy and policy center. Bowling Green State University. For more information call 816-2797.

**AQUA-FITNESS** for faculty and staff, March 6-May 12. Mon-Thurs, 5:30pm-6:30pm and Sat. 10am. Aqua fitness has quickly become one of the most popular class offerings. Let the dynamics of the water combine cardio and strength training into one workout. Take the plunge with other ECU faculty and staff for a great workout, virtually impact free. Swimming skills are not required. FREE to all members. \$25/non-mem. Register now! Please call 328-6387 if you have any questions.

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**\$2,500 SCHOLARSHIPS** awarded by James M. Cox, Jr. Foundation - The Daily Reflector, to full-time undergraduate (junior and senior) students at ECU with GPA of at least 3.0 pursuing a media-related career; other criteria must be met. Recipients are invited to compete for a possible internship with the newspaper. Application deadline is March 31, 2000. For application materials and additional information, contact Vicky Morris, Office for Institutional Advancement, 200 East First Street, Greenville, NC 27858 - phone: 328-5685.

**GAMMA BETA** Phi Society will meet Thursday March 2 at 5:30pm in Mendenhall Social Room. For more info: www.ecu.edu/org/gbp

**FOOSBALL TOURNAMENT.** A singles tournament will be held Feb. 29, 8pm at MSC. The Doubles and Mixed-Doubles tournaments will be held March 1, 8pm at MSC. For those interested in participating registration will be held Feb. 28 10am-6pm at the Intramural Office inside the Recreation Center. For more info call 328-6387.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**MARCH CONTRA** Dance! Sat., March 4. Location: Willis Bldg., 1st & Reade St. Downtown no experience needed. Free lessons. 7:00-7:30; Dance 7:30-10:30pm. Music: Elderberry Jam; Caller: Art Langrish. Come alone or bring a friend! Students \$3; others \$5-7. ECU Folk and Country Dancers, 328-0237.

**"NOW FOR** Something Completely New" Wednesday, March 1 4pm. Mendenhall Underground. Presenter: ECU Leadership Corps. Have you lost that creative drive? This workshop will help you recapture the creative spirit and generate new ideas for your group. Presented by the student leadership training group, Leadership Corps, this program will get your creative juices flowing!

**EAST CAROLINA** University will host the Northeast Regional Science Fair in Christenbury Gym on Friday, March 3. Projects can be viewed by the public from 12:00-1:00pm. Contact Erica Meadows for further information, 328-6208.

## NEED A DATE?



Try our campus calendar at  
clubhouse.ecu.edu.

## Looking for a room, mate?

Find one in our classifieds.

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| <p>WELCOME COLLEGE STUDENTS - FOR A RIDE<br/>CALL 830-1186</p> <p><b>CHRIST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH</b><br/>4889 Old Tar Road<br/>Winterville<br/>355-9632<br/>Services: 9:30 a.m. Sun.</p> <p>JOIN US FOR A GOOD BIBLE PREACHING, FRIENDLY ATMOSPHERE, A CHURCH THAT CARES</p> <p><b>IMMANUEL FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH</b><br/>317 Vernon White Road<br/>Winterville<br/>756-2670<br/>Services: 10, 11 a.m., 6 p.m. Sun.; 7:30 p.m. Wed.</p> <p>DYNAMIC WORSHIP - JOHN 4:24 DYNAMIC MESSAGE - ACTS 2:38</p> <p><b>FIRST UNITED PENTECOSTAL CHURCH</b><br/>114 E. 11th Street<br/>Greenville<br/>757-3033<br/>Services: 10 a.m., 7:30 pm. Sun.; 7:30 p.m. Wed.</p> <p>WHERE GOD IS PRAISED, LIVES ARE CHANGED &amp; FRIENDS ARE MADE!</p> <p><b>CHURCH OF CHRIST</b><br/>1700 SE Greenville Blvd.<br/>Greenville<br/>752-6376<br/>Services: 9 &amp; 10:15 a.m. Sun.; 7 &amp; 8:30 p.m. Wed.</p> <p>WE INVITE YOU TO OUR SERVICES</p> <p><b>SAINT JAMES UNITED METHODIST CHURCH</b><br/>2000 E. 6th Street<br/>Greenville<br/>752-6154<br/>Services: 8:30 &amp; 11 a.m., Sun.; College Sunday School class 9:45 a.m.</p> | <p>A MULTI-CULTURAL CHURCH-CUTTING-EDGE MUSIC-ACTIVE CAMPUS MINISTRY</p> <p><b>FAITH AND VICTORY CHURCH</b><br/>3950 Victory Lane<br/>Greenville<br/>355-6621<br/>Services: 9 &amp; 10:45 a.m. Sun.; 7 p.m. Wed.</p> <p>REACHING OUT WITH THE CLAIMS OF CHRIST</p> <p><b>FIRST FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH</b><br/>2426 S. Charles Blvd.<br/>Greenville<br/>756-6600<br/>Services: 9:45 a.m. Sunday School, 11 a.m., 7 p.m. Sun.; 10 a.m. &amp; 7 p.m. Wed. Bible Study</p> <p>COME AND SEE WHAT GOD INTENDED CHURCH TO BE</p> <p><b>KOINONIA CHRISTIAN CENTER CHURCH</b><br/>408 Hudson Street<br/>Greenville<br/>752-1848<br/>Services: 8 &amp; 11 a.m. Sun.; 7 p.m. Wed.</p> <p>PIRATES WORSHIPPING WITH PIRATES</p> <p><b>UNITY FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH</b><br/>2725 E. 14th Street<br/>Greenville<br/>756-6485<br/>Services: 8:30, 9:45, 11 a.m., 6 p.m. Sun.; 6:30 p.m. Wed.</p> <p>A WARM WELCOME AWAITS YOU AT THE GREENVILLE CHURCH OF GOD</p> <p><b>GREENVILLE CHURCH OF GOD</b><br/>3105 S. Memorial Drive<br/>Greenville<br/>355-0595<br/>Services: 9:45 a.m. 6p.m. Sun.; 7:30 p.m. Wed.</p> |
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# Student Life



A biweekly glance at what's happening in the Division of Student Life

## Mardi Gras 2000

Christmas Break seems like it was ages ago, and Spring Break still has a couple of weeks before it arrives, but right now it's time to PARTY!! Mardi Gras 2000 is coming and it has never been a better time. This celebration is sure to get you over the winter blahs and ready for spring.

On **FRIDAY, MARCH 3**, the Division of Student Life will present Mardi Gras 2000 from **9:00 P.M. TO 2:00 A.M.** in **MENDENHALL STUDENT CENTER**. For a tiny taste of what's to come, ARAMARK will be giving away **FREE PIECES OF KING CAKE FEBRUARY 28-MARCH 3, FROM 12-1 AT WRIGHT PLAZA**. If you are lucky enough to get a piece of cake with a charm hidden in it,

you can bring it to Mardi Gras on March 3, and redeem it for a prize!



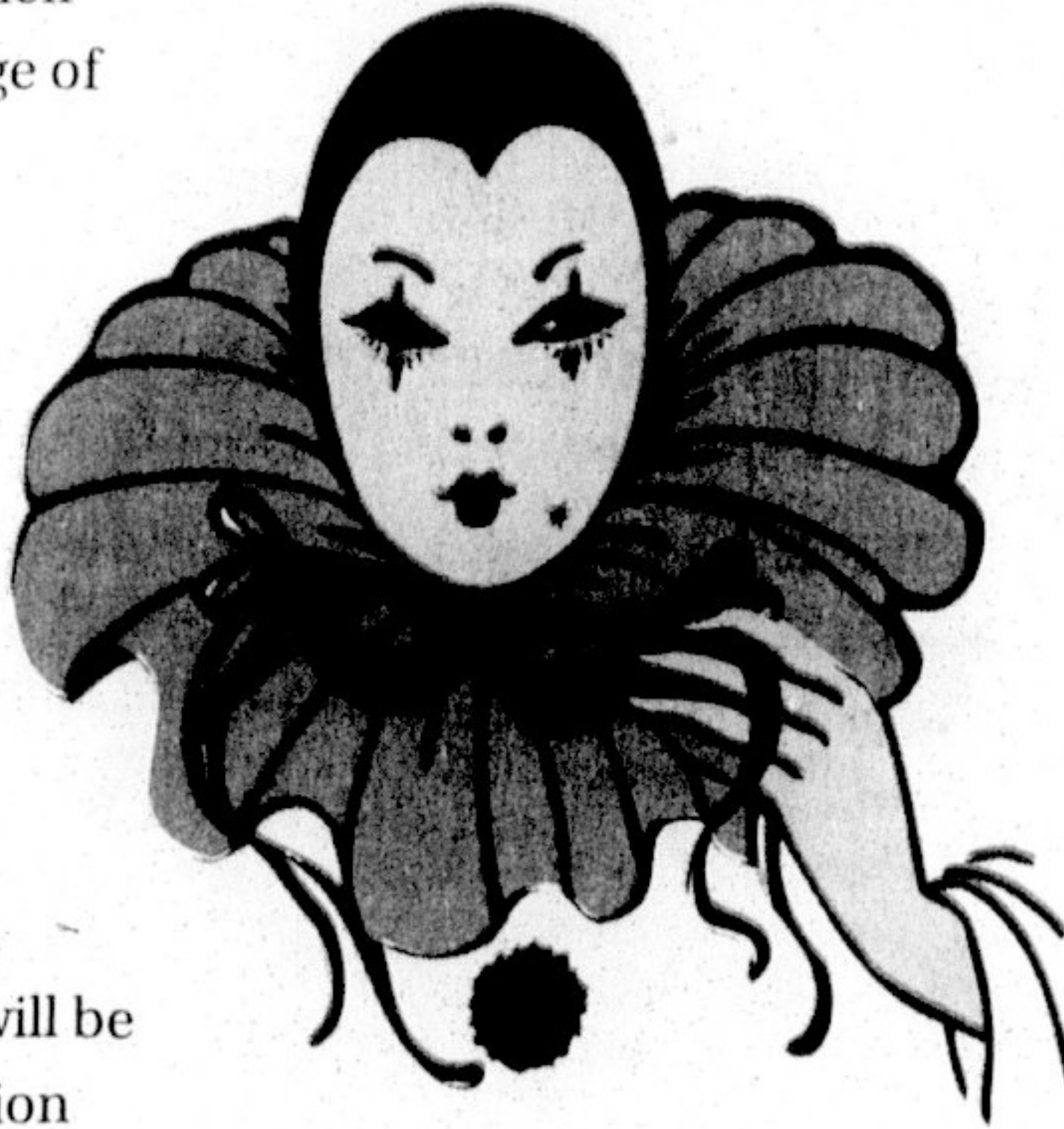
This year's celebration will feature the best in hypnotic entertainment with a featured performance by everyone's favorite, **MIKE MESMER "EYES" AT 10:30 P.M. IN HENDRIX THEATRE**. Opening the show for Mike Mesmer "Eyes" will be the **JACKSONSQUARE JUGGLER**, who will wow you with an awe-inspiring show of his own and then juggle his way around Mendenhall throughout the evening.

Mardi Gras will also include the always-popular **VIDEO KARAOKE**, because, let's face it, you've always fantasized about being a singing sensation, so create your own video recording and take the tape home for prosperity sake. **DJ J ARTHUR**, will be there spinning your favorite jams as you hang out with your friends and dance the night away at the Club Mystique.

There will be **OPEN GLOW-BOWLING AND BILLIARDS** under black lights, **BINGO**, and a **TATTOO PARLOR** that even your mother would approve. And what Mardi Gras celebration would be complete without a little friendly gambling? The **LADY LUCK CASINO** will be open all night for you to try your hand at Black Jack, Poker, or even to take a spin at the Big Wheel. Topping off all of this will be the tons of free food including a late night **BAYOU BUFFET** featuring the best in Cajun cuisine to satisfy those late night munchies.

Also, don't forget to grab a piece of **KING CAKE** throughout the evening. Remember, if you snag the piece with a charm hidden in it, you win a prize. The coronation of the **MARDI GRAS 2000 KING AND QUEEN** will take place at 10:00 p.m. In addition to their jeweled crowns, these individuals have the distinct privilege of introducing Mike Mesmer "Eyes" to the stage.

ECU Students will be admitted **FREE** by showing their valid ECU One Card at the door. Students may bring a guest (high school age or older), but they must obtain a **GUEST PASS** prior to the event.



Guest passes will be available February 28-March 3 at the Central Ticket Office in Mendenhall Student Center from 8:30 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. and at the Todd Dining Hall Meal Plan Office from 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. On March 3, passes will be available from 9:00 a.m. - 10:00 p.m. at the Student Recreation Center.

For more information contact the Central Ticket Office at 252-328-4788 or 1-800-ECU-ARTS, V/TTY 252-328-4736 or 1-800-ECU-ARTS. The Central Ticket Office is located on the main floor of Mendenhall Student Center and is open Monday-Friday, from 8:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

## Mardi Gras at a glance

**Mike Mesmer "Eyes"** You are getting sleepy...you are getting very sleepy...Now all of you who aren't sleepy get to witness the crazy antics of the ever-popular Mike Mesmer "Eyes" as he performs his hypnotic show in Hendrix Theatre at 10:30 p.m. It's OK to laugh at your friends because this time they won't even remember what happened!

**Video Karaoke** Tell the truth: You've fantasized at least once about being a singing sensation. Why not live the fantasy? You can create your own music video and take the tape home with you. Take full advantage of a sound system and lights to get up on stage and strut your stuff. Video Karaoke runs from 9 p.m. - 2 a.m. in Room 244.

**Canal Street Glow** Bowling and Royal Street Billiards - These brand new lanes are ready to glow featuring the new automated scoring system. Jam to your favorite CDs as you bowl under black lights with custom glow-in-the-dark pins and balls and hand-painted, glow-in-the-dark walls. Or show all your friends how to be cool playing pool. Watch out for giveaways. You can roll 'em in Outer Limitz and rack 'em in the Pirate Underground from 9 p.m. - 2 a.m.

**FREE Bayou Buffet** The dining hall will be open for an all-you-can-eat buffet featuring the best in Cajun cuisine. Stuff yourself from 11 p.m. - 1 a.m.

**Club Mystique** Your favorite DJ, J Arthur, will spin your favorite jams as you hang out with friends and dance the night away in the Club Mystique. Get your groove on in the Great Room from 11 p.m. - 1:30 a.m.

**Lady Luck Casino** You gotta know when to hold 'em and know when to fold 'em when you enter this popular place. Try your hand at Black Jack and Poker and take a spin at the Big Wheel in the Multi-Purpose Room from 9 p.m. - 2 a.m.

**Bourbon Street BINGO** If you're not much of a gambler, this popular no-risk game will give you another opportunity to win great prizes from 9 p.m. - 2 a.m. in the Mendenhall Student Center Dining Hall.

**Tattoo Parlor** No, your parents won't kill you if you visit our tattoo parlor. These colorful tattoos come off after a couple of days, but they look so real. Tattoo Artists will be available in the Cynthia Lounge from 9 p.m. - 2 a.m.

**King Cake** This Mardi Gras classic is just the thing to finish off all that food you stuffed down at the Bayou Buffet. And if you find a charm hidden in your slice, you win a prize! Grab a bite, and maybe a prize too from 9 p.m. - 2 a.m. in the Student Organization Booth.

**King and Queen Coronation** Wouldn't you love to be the master or mistress over all of these fun festivities? How cool would it be to introduce Mike Mesmer "Eyes" to the stage? All this could be yours if you fill out an application form to be placed in the drawing as you enter Mardi Gras 2000. The winners will be announced and crowned at 10 p.m. in the Lady Luck Casino (Multi-Purpose Room), so be sure to get to Mardi Gras 2000 early.

**Jackson Square Juggler** This amazingly coordinated character will open the show for Mike Mesmer "Eyes" with an awe-inspiring act of his own and then juggle his way around Mendenhall throughout the evening.

### How to get in Mardi Gras

ECU Students will be admitted free by showing their valid ECU One Card at the door. Students may bring a guest (high school age or older), but they must obtain a guest pass prior to the event.

Guest passes will be available February 28 - March 3, 2000 at the Central Ticket Office in Mendenhall Student Center from 8:30 a.m. - 6 p.m. and at the Todd Dining Hall Meal Plan Office from 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. On March 3, passes will be available from 9 a.m. - 10 p.m. at the Student Recreation Center.

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