

Safety Walk highlights unsafe areas on campus

Areas to be presented to administration

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A campus Safety Walk held last week as part of ECU's Campus Safety Week gave students and other school officials an opportunity to walk the campus to point out potentially unsafe areas to school officials.

In light of the attacks on students that occurred last year, SGA created the Safety Walk as a way to educate students and administration about dangerous areas on campus. Maggie O'Neill, SGA chief of staff, said the goals of the walk are to make the students aware of dangerous locations and inform the administration of these areas.

The walk addressed issues of adding more blue light phones, cutting back overgrown bushes, improving lighting in dark areas such as on the mall and behind Ragsdale, Student Health and Science and Technology buildings.

"We just want to make sure that this is a safe campus," said O'Neill.

Jonathon Redman, SGA campus safety delegate, said the Safety Walk of last year helped to resolve some threatening areas by dealing with the construction outside Mendenhall Student Center and chaining up gates between the Bate and Science and Technology buildings.

The SGA will present



Students gather in the Mendenhall brickyard before setting off for the campus Safety Walk.

concerns noted in the walk to administration.

"This presentation to Chancellor Ballard will be held Oct. 11 and will basically be a summary of the Safety Walk in the form of

a PowerPoint presentation," said Redman.

Redman said another walk is being held in the spring semester.

While the focus of the Safety Walk is on campus, O'Neill and

Redman both said the SGA hopes to work with the community as well as concerns for safety of off-campus students.

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Students donated 223 pints of blood in the blood drive.

Red Cross holds blood drive at ECU

Drive exceeds projected goal

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The American Red Cross held a two-day blood drive last week in Mendenhall Student Center and took in a total of 223 pints of blood, with 136 alone on Wednesday.

The drives, held on Tuesday and Wednesday from 12 p.m. - 6 p.m., were not largely publicized. However, once e-mails were sent campus wide on Wednesday morning, students and faculty were ready at noon to donate blood.

Each month, the Red Cross tries to come to ECU to run a blood drive. They set their goal at 110 donations per visit. Most times they meet that goal or surpass it, as they did on Wednesday.

The Red Cross is always striving to recruit additional donors.

"We want to keep increasing our blood drives on campus and increase our goal," said Jennifer Angevine, account manager for Pitt County American Red Cross.

Right now, with blood levels reaching restricted usage levels, the need for donors is greater. With each one pint donation, a person is actually contributing platelets, red blood cells and plasma.

According to Marjorie Hinson, a charge person for the American Red Cross, platelets are good for five days, plasma is usable for up to 60 days and red blood cells can be used for up to 45 days. The donation is usually used within three days once it has been tested for disease and released for usage.

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Brody professor involved in heart rate study

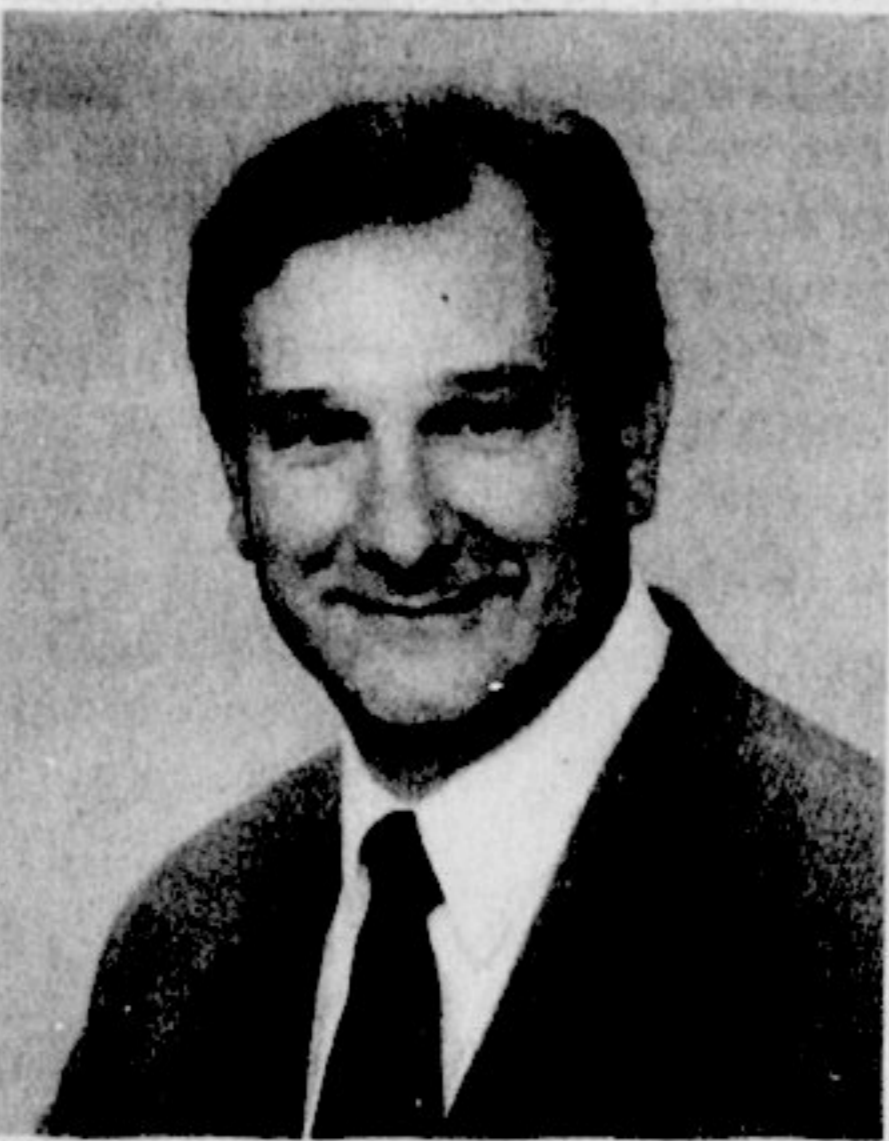
Study examines bodily reaction to 9/11 attacks

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Wayne Casico, professor of medicine and chief of the division of cardiology at the Brody School of Medicine, was part of the team in a study which measured heart rate variability and its potential harmful effects on individuals.

On Sept. 11, 2001 a North Carolina highway patrolman was wearing a halter monitor as part of an experiment that records the heart rhythm and heart rate variability. The purpose of the experiment he was participating in was to measure the impact air pollution had on his heart. He was wearing the equipment on the morning of the 9/11 terrorist attacks, leading the research team into a new study.

"What we found is that the moment he was told of the terrorist attack, he had a sudden decrease in his heart rate variability. This means there was a sudden influence on the central nervous system on his heart, and given the direction in which that occurred, it might in other people ... produce an adverse affect like a heart attack or a rhythm problem," said Casico.



CASICO

The officer's heart rate increased and his heart rate variability, or the subtle beat-to-beat changes within the heart, decreased when he found out about the 9/11 attack by phone.

Most of the time you will hear about people who are frightened to death Casico said. When he got the news, there was a very profound emotional response which represents a fight or flight response. Casico said the sympathetic nervous system is activated while the parasympathetic nervous system's response is decreased. An increase in sympathetic activity in patients with heart disease is associated with more adverse effects as the with-

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Student assaulted on campus

Victim suffered minor injuries, suspects fled

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The ECU police responded to a call reporting a male student had been assaulted in the area near the Brewster and the Science and Technology Buildings on Wednesday, Sept. 15 at approximately 12:16 a.m.

The victim, who chose to remain anonymous, said he was walking on campus near the Science and Technology building and Howell Science Complex when the two suspects attacked him. He described the suspects as two black males, each standing about six feet tall. One was wearing a black shirt with yellow writing and baggy jeans and the other was wearing a white shirt and black skull cap.

He said he was hit about four times in the face giving him a bloody nose and chipped tooth before the suspects fled the scene. The victim walked back to his dormitory, which was near the location of the incident where his residential advisor noticed his condition and called the ECU police.

The victim said he never would have previously thought anything like this would happen to him and he now has a new outlook on his safety.

"You can feel safe, but feeling safe and being safe are two differ-



Assault occurred near the Science and Technology building around midnight last Wednesday.

ent realities," he said.

ECU's Police Department offers several services to students that can prevent incidents like this from occurring. These services include the Safe Ride, where students can receive rides to anywhere on campus and some areas off campus in vans provided by ECU police. Students can also use the escort service, where an officer meets a student who feels unsafe on campus and escorts them to their desired location. Students can use these services by contacting the ECU police through a blue light emergency phone or a cell phone.

"Take advantage of the Safe Ride, take advantage of the escorts, take advantage of any of the preventive measures that we offer," said JP Smith,

administrative captain of the ECU Police Department.

Smith said it is important to report incidents like this as soon as possible to help the police track the suspect. The fact that he waited 20 minutes after the incident occurred reduced the likelihood of locating the suspects.

Smith said ECU students need to understand the services available to them and be willing to take advantage of them.

"To think just because you're on a college campus you're immune to things like this happening is not true," Smith said.

ECU's campus is open allowing anyone access to enter. Smith said this should not mean students should be over paranoid but they should resume a healthy

paranoia to keep them aware of the possibility that such incidents may occur to them.

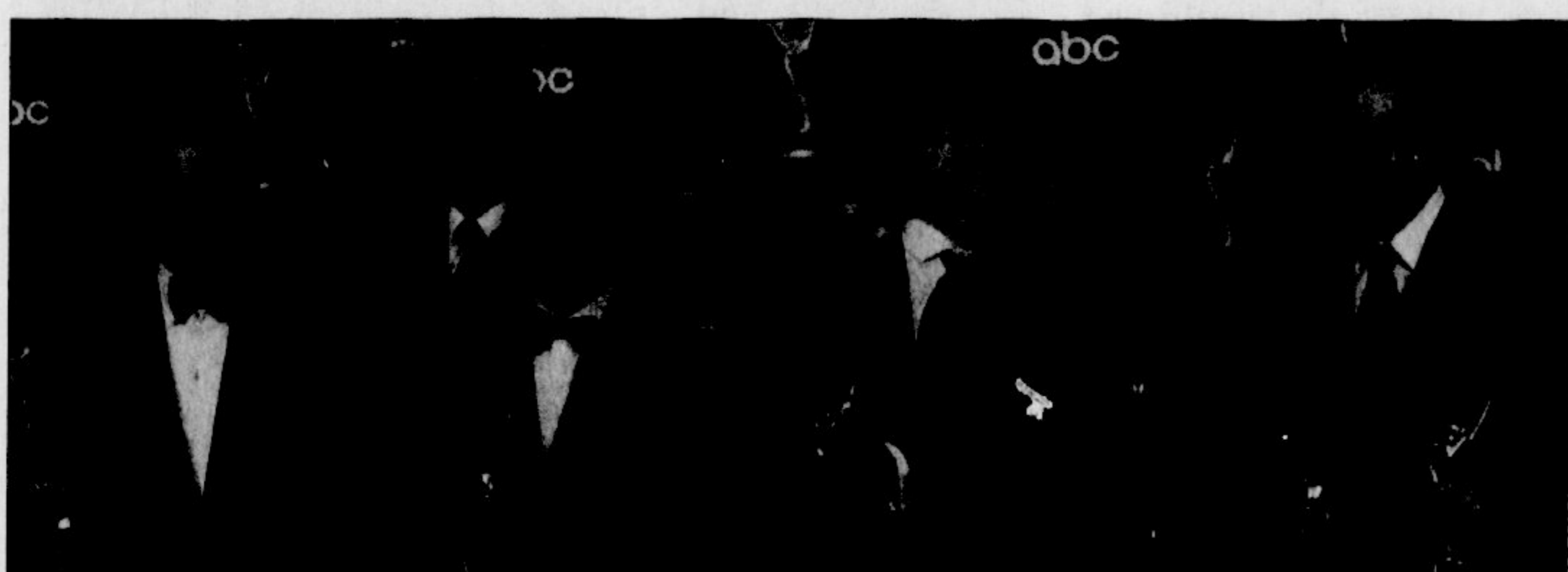
Incidents like this can happen to anyone, including males and females.

While males may have an attitude they can take care of themselves, that's not always the case. Smith said males need to give some thought to that kind of mindset.

"You walk back and forth from class so much, you know the danger is there but you don't really think about getting a police officer, because you don't think it's severe or it will happen to you," said Mathew Zinni, freshman undecided major.

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'The Sopranos' whacks competitors, 'Angels' takes most trophies



A member of "The Sopranos" production staff kisses executive producer David Crane as the team holds their awards for outstanding drama series at the 56th Annual Primetime Emmy Awards Sunday, Sept. 19, at the Shrine Auditorium in Los Angeles.

LOS ANGELES (AP) — "The Sopranos" finally whacked its competitors in the best drama category at the Emmy Awards, and a comedy series victory for

ratings-starved "Arrested Development" proved SOMEBODY was watching — but it was HBO and its record-breaking "Angels in America" that fluttered away

with the most trophies. HBO's mega-hit about a New Jersey mob family collected the best drama Emmy on its fifth try Sunday, and the channel's

"Sex and the City" and "Angels in America" helped cable overshadow the traditional networks.

"We've put a lot of work into it and I think we've gotten better. It's good that it finally paid off," series creator David Chase said of "The Sopranos," which is entering its last season.

Meanwhile, the theme was "gone, but not forgotten" in many of the acting categories as stars who ended their runs as beloved characters on "The Sopranos," "Frasier" and "Sex and the City" collected most of the series trophies.

Drea de Matteo, who played the ill-fated mob girlfriend Adriana la Cerva on "The Sopranos," won for best drama series supporting actress, while Michael Imperioli, who played her backstabbing boyfriend Christopher

Moltisanti, collected supporting drama-series actor.

"There are so many people that are responsible for this, that if I even try to thank any of them right now, I might puke, choke, cry or die. And you've already seen me do that," said de Matteo, whose character met a grim end last season. She's now on NBC's "Friends" spinoff "Joey."

Mirroring the concern in Hollywood over the dwindling number and quality of situation comedies, the four major comedy acting awards each went for work in a series that has ended. Kelsey Grammer won his fourth Emmy for best actor in a comedy for "Frasier" and Sarah Jessica Parker won best actress for "Sex and the City."

"I had the most extraordinary life on television," Grammer said.

"Frasier" was a gift in my life and the people that I got to meet and work with were the greatest and this is just the cherry on top."

David Hyde Pierce won a supporting actor award for "Frasier," which ended an 11-year run this spring, and Cynthia Nixon won best supporting actress for "Sex and the City."

"In sitcom school they tell you how great it is to have a long-running show," said Hyde Pierce, "but they don't tell you how hard it is to say goodbye."

Although cable ruled the night, Fox's "Arrested Development" provided a rare bright spot for broadcast television, winning as best comedy series after a freshman year that was critically acclaimed but low rated.

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Campus News

Scuba Diving

In a fundraising event by the ECU scuba diving club, the club is holding three events at Minges Coliseum pool on Wed. Sept. 29 and Wed. Oct. 13. Diving will take place in both the diving well and the lap lane pool. The events are open to all ECU students and participants must sign up three days in advance. Contact Jason Wright if interested.

Chamber Music Festival

The Brentano String Quartet will come to campus for their second appearance in the Four Seasons Chamber Music Festival on Fri., Sept. 24 in the A.J. Fletcher Recital Hall.

Film Series

The Travel-Adventure Film & Theme Dinner Series opens at Hendrix Theater on the main floor of Mendenhall Student Center, with *Bavaria and the Black Forest* by Fran Reidelberger on Sunday, Oct. 3 at 3 p.m.

'HAIR' Production

The American Tribal Live-Rock Musical *HAIR* will be on the main-stage at McGinnis Theatre from Sept. 30 - Oct. 5. Parental guidance suggested due to profanity, drug references and the potential for on-stage nudity. For ticket prices, call the box office at 328-6829.

World Peace Week '04

ECU World Peace Week 2004 will run from September 19 - 24.

ECU Knights

East Carolina Knights Chess Club would like to invite you to our weekly meetings every Friday from 5 - 8 p.m. in 212 Mendenhall. Join us for a challenge or just for fun, regardless of your level of play.

Model UN

The Model United Nations club would like to invite you to a pizza party. This will be an informal and informational meeting about the club, as well as a great way to meet current members. The pizza party will take place on Sept. 30 at 6 p.m. in the Political Science Library, located in 109 Brewster C.

Rumi Concert

An evening event is being held presenting poetry from the 13th century mystic Rumi with music, dance and story by Coleman Barks.

Tickets are available free to ECU students with their OneCard, faculty/staff tickets are \$5 and general public tickets are \$10. Tickets are now available for purchase at the ECU general ticket office. The event is being held on Thursday, Sept. 23.

World Peace Initiative

World Peace Initiative - Arts for Peace Workshop, will feature Coleman Barks, Glen Velez, David Darling and Zuleikha. Contact Lynn Caverly at 328-2306.

Freeboot Friday

Freeboot Friday - Sponsored by Uptown Greenville, food and live entertainment from 5 p.m. - 8 p.m. on the night before the first four ECU home football games. Friday Sept. 24

Meridian Arts Ensemble

Saturday September 25 - Program includes works by Elliot Carter, Heitor Villa-Lobos, Elliot Sharp and Jimi Hendrix. Tickets can be purchased at ECU Central Ticket Office, or by calling 328-4788.

Tailgate and Pig-Pick'in

At Dowdy-Ficklen Stadium, hosted by the International House. Contact malletw@mail.ecu.edu.

ECU Alumni Tailgate

For the Cincinnati vs. ECU game, a tailgating event is taking place for ECU alumni from 4:30 - 6:30 p.m. Reservations required. Contact the ECU Alumni Association at 328-6072 or call 1-800-ECU-GRAD.

News Briefs

LOCAL

Oregon Inlet bridge closed after barge breaks free of tugs

MANTEO, NC (AP) - The bridge over the Oregon Inlet was closed for about five hours Sunday after a 250-foot dredging barge broke free of its tug boats and threatened to drift into the bridge's pilings. The barge, used to dredge the shifting waterway's bottom from accumulating sediment, was anchored in the channel and escorted by a tug Sunday night about 600 yards from the Herbert C. Bonner bridge, Coast Guard Petty Officer Krys Hannum said. Authorities closed the bridge which connects heavily populated Nags Head and the rest of Bodie Island with Hatteras Island - from about 11:30 a.m. to about 5 p.m., Dare County's emergency management office said. Earlier, the barge and one of two tugs guiding the unpowered vessel somehow became adrift, Hannum said. The tug that went adrift, the Delta Ranger, was later secured to the beach with a cable.

Newspaper: fund-raiser took donations in exchange for state jobs

RALEIGH, NC (AP) - A former state employee and Democratic fund-raiser from Greene County who is at the center of state and federal investigations received political

contributions for helping a man land three state jobs over 20 years, according to a newspaper report. *The News & Observer* of Raleigh reported Sunday that Eddie Carroll Thomas handled several thousand dollars in contributions from Richard Henry Pridgen. Pridgen, who died in 1999, made the donations to help his nephew, Jesse Wren Murphy, get state jobs, according to the newspaper. Murphy, 46, of Greene County, produced financial records from his uncle that he alleges show payments Pridgen made for the jobs. Entries in Pridgen's checkbook show cash payments totaling \$16,500, allegedly made to secure his nephew's jobs. One of the notations, for a \$6,000 check made out to cash, said the money was for "E.C. Thomas - For Jesse's job," according to the newspaper. Thomas and his attorney, Myron Hill of Greenville, declined comment. Thomas' wife, Sandra, said in a brief phone interview that there was "no truth" to Murphy's allegations.

NATIONAL

Reebok recalls thousands of Allen Iverson toddler shoes

WASHINGTON (AP) - Reebok is voluntarily recalling 140,000 of its Allen Iverson toddler shoes because of a potential choking hazard, the Consumer Product Safety Commission said Monday.

The commission said the logo tag on the tongue of the "Iverson/Answer" shoe can be peeled off, posing a risk to young children.

There have been no reports of injuries, but the CPSC said an 8-month-old child did put the logo tag in its mouth. It was removed by the youngster's mother and resulted in no injury. The mid-and low-style athletic shoes were sold in toddler sizes two through 10 at Reebok, children's apparel and athletic shoe stores nationwide from March through August, the agency said. They cost about \$35. Model numbers included in the recall are: 99553, B99553, 99554, B99554, 105155, B105155, 105158 and B105158. The model number can be found on a label on the underside of the tongue.

Consumers are advised to stop using the shoes immediately and contact Reebok on the Web at <http://www.reebok.com> or at (800) 843-4444 for a refund.

Oops, she did it again: Britney Spears marries

fiancé in surprise L.A. ceremony
LOS ANGELES (AP) - Britney Spears, whose hits include "Oops! ... I Did It Again," has once again tied the knot, the second marriage in nine months for the multiplatinum artist. Spears, 22, married her fiancé, 26-year-old dancer Kevin Federline, in a secret weekend ceremony, her record label said Sunday. "She did marry him," Jive Records spokeswoman Sonia

Muckle told The Associated Press. Muckle declined to provide further details. On its Web site, "Entertainment Tonight" said Spears wore a white strapless dress for the wedding, held Saturday evening at a private home in the Studio City area with 20 to 30 people attending.

In January, Spears married childhood friend Jason Alexander in a surprise wedding in Las Vegas. That marriage was annulled 55 hours later. Spears has gone from posing as a schoolgirl to sing "...Baby, One More Time" and saying sex should be saved for marriage to recording "I'm a Slave 4 U," kissing Madonna during the MTV Video Music Awards and posing nearly nude for magazine covers.

World

Car bomb kills three people in Mosul

MOSUL, Iraq (AP) - A car bomb exploded in the northern Iraq city of Mosul on Monday, killing three people, hospital police said. The vehicle exploded in a residential area called Hay al-Wahda, said the police chief at al-Sallam Hospital, who gave his name only as Maj. Fallah. The bodies of the two passengers were charred beyond recognition, he said. A passer-by was also decapitated in the blast. There were no immediate reports of injuries. Police had been searching for the

vehicle, which was reported stolen earlier Monday, Fallah said. A surge of violence had killed hundreds in the past week as insurgents fight to undermine Iraq's U.S.-backed interim government.

Two American soldiers killed in Afghan fire-fight

KABUL, Afghanistan (AP) - Two U.S. soldiers were killed Monday in a firefight with insurgents in a troubled southeastern Afghan province, the American military said. Two other Americans and six Afghan government troops were wounded in the battle in Paktika province, a military statement said. The names of the dead soldiers were being withheld until relatives could be informed, the statement said. It gave no further details of the incident.

According to the U.S. Defense Department, 137 U.S. military personnel have now died during Operation Enduring Freedom, launched after the Sept. 11, 2001, attacks in the United States. Some 99 of the fatalities have been in or around Afghanistan, and 54 of them have been troops killed in action. More than 900 people have died in political violence across Afghanistan so far this year, and officials are braced for more bloodshed in the run-up to landmark presidential elections on Oct. 9.



Mitchelson speaks about the arrest of his close friend, record producer Phil Spector in this photo taken in Beverly Hills, Calif.

Marvin Mitchelson, 'attorney of the stars' dies of cancer at 76

LOS ANGELES (AP) - Marvin M. Mitchelson, a divorce attorney to the stars, often joked that he was a poor example for his clients: He was happily married for 45 years.

Mitchelson, who pioneered the legal revolution known as "palimony" and counseled scores of celebrities through messy break-ups, died Saturday after battling cancer, his longtime publicist Sy Presten said Sunday. He was 76.

Mitchelson pioneered palimony with the Marvin vs. Marvin case that made him a household name in the 1970s. In that case, Mitchelson won a \$104,000 award for Michelle Triola Marvin, the live-in lover of actor Lee Marvin.

Mitchelson fought for and won her right to bring the lawsuit and would say later that the day she was allowed into court was the day marriage and family law changed forever.

The award was later overturned, but the concept of palimony was upheld by the California Supreme Court. It came

to signify a new social order for unmarried, cohabitating partners, which Mitchelson often quipped was "a commitment with no rings attached," said Presten.

"He established a very important precedent and others will benefit from that even now that he has passed away," said fellow family law and celebrity attorney Gloria Allred, who faced Mitchelson in the legal arena several times.

Following the Marvin vs. Marvin case, Mitchelson's practice steered toward the glamorous. He won a then-astonishing \$1 million settlement in his first celebrity divorce case representing actor James Mason's wife, Pamela.

He represented actress Joan Collins and model Bianca Jagger in high-stakes divorces; won millions for the ex-wife of billionaire arms dealer Adnan Khashoggi and took on a Saudi Arabian sheik, Mohammed Al Fassi, in a lawsuit that spanned two decades and ended with an order for the sheik to pay his estranged wife

\$270 million. Mitchelson's life and career, however, took a dive in 1993, when he was convicted and jailed for evading taxes on some \$2 million in income. The state bar suspended him and he was forced into bankruptcy.

Mitchelson would recall later how he wept during his first day in federal prison in Fort Worth, Texas, and his determination to survive the sentence.

He became a prison appellate attorney and helped gain freedom for three inmates. He also helped others learn to read and write and started prison French and opera clubs.

When he was released from prison in 1997, Mitchelson returned to law, working as a consultant for other lawyers until his license was restored in 2000.

"I've been through a load of stuff," Mitchelson told The Associated Press in a 2001 interview. "I always believed you do the best with what you have."

Mitchelson is survived by his wife, Marcella, son Morgan, and sister Marian Gertner.

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"This is so huge for us. You know what? Let's watch it," series creator Mitchell Hurwitz urged viewers.

The broadcast networks also claimed honors for Allison Janney of NBC's "The West Wing" and James Spader of ABC's "The Practice," who won best actor awards for drama.

"You've all made wonderful choices in shoes and dresses tonight and you all look absolutely beautiful," Spader said in a lighthearted acceptance.

"Angels in America," the miniseries adaptation of Tony Kushner's Pulitzer Prize-winning play about the 1980s AIDS crisis, won seven Emmys, including outstanding miniseries and acting trophies for Al Pacino,

Meryl Streep, Mary-Louise Parker and Jeffrey Wright. Kushner received a best writing award and Mike Nichols won best director.

The two-part series proved a record breaker. With the four Emmys won Sept. 12 at the creative arts awards, it exceeded the nine awards "Roots" won in 1977 to become the most honored miniseries - and matched the 11 won by "Eleanor and Franklin" in 1976, the most for any program in one season.

Streep praised Kushner's words as the reason for the TV miniseries' success.

"The bravest thing in the world is that writer who sits alone in a room and works out his grief, his rage, his imagination and his deep desire to make people laugh. And he makes a work of art that then trans-

forms the world with the truth, because that's all we want, you know," she said. "It's all we need."

The edgier programming on cable has come to overshadow the more restrained fare found on network television, where language, violence and sex are dealt with obliquely.

HBO received a dominant 32 awards. Fox collected 10, followed by NBC with eight, ABC and PBS with seven each and CBS with two.

"The Daily Show with Jon Stewart," which has spent this election year skewering the candidates for tiny Comedy Central, won an award for best variety series for the second year in a row. Stewart's writing staff also won an Emmy.

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"One of the problems that we're seeing right now is 11th Street and there are mostly students living out there. There have been a lot of robberies back there and it's just an unsafe area ... so we just want to not only make the administration on campus aware of these safety concerns but the city administration as well," said O'Neill.

Todd Johnson, associate vice chancellor of Housing and Dining on campus sees the Safety Walk as a regularly occurring event.

"I think the walk was very informative and helpful in two ways, it clearly identified the progress we've made in a year in terms of addressing some of the lighting issues on campus," said Johnson.

"It appears that with doing an annual or semester walk we can stay on top of potential dark and dim areas on campus."

Leigh Broccolina, junior hospitality management major, said the Safety Walk causes the students to pay more attention to potentially unsafe areas.

"It's really important to get out there and actually look around because when you're walking to class or back from

class, you're not really noticing things like that," said Broccolina.

Broccolina, a residential advisor in White Hall, has noticed the construction sites on west campus and feels they are a problem area.

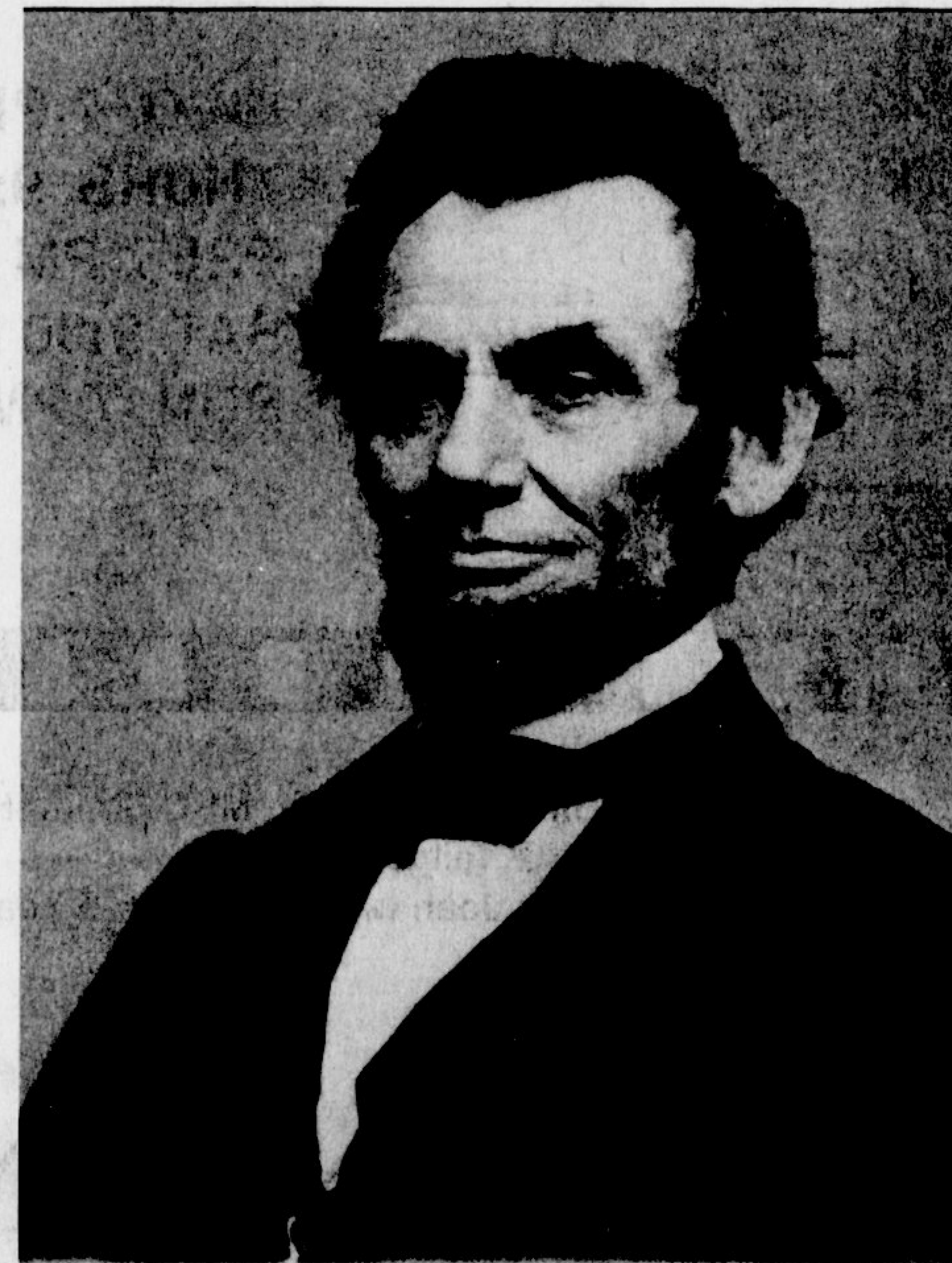
"[Administrators] tend to do construction and don't realize they are either fencing in areas they shouldn't or making it a little darker and uneasy in the construction areas," Broccolina said.

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Safety Walk

This presentation to Chancellor Ballard will be held Oct. 11, and will be a summary of the Safety Walk in the form of a PowerPoint presentation.

For further information on how to be safe on campus, including an interactive map of all blue light phones on campus, visit www.ecu.edu/campusliving/empowered.



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Cole Perry, junior marketing major of ECU donated using this procedure for the first time, after eight past whole blood donations. Perry was pleased knowing he could help more people with this donation.

On average, a little less than one pint of blood can help save the lives of three to four people. This seems like quite a bit, before factoring in how often blood is needed. According to statistics, someone needs blood every two seconds. The Red Cross tries to meet these needs with numerous blood drives across each region every week. Even with the amount of blood drives, they sometimes do get cancelled due to the weather or various other reasons.

"There is a really big effort to get people to donate every 56 days," said Ernie Smith, account manager for the American Red Cross.

"We service 87 hospitals and we try to reach the needs of those 87 hospitals in the mid-Atlantic region."

Those who donate know what they are doing for others, even if the needle does cause some tension Smith said.

Student participants in the blood drive, while showing some nervousness before the procedure, ended up going through with it with no problems.

"I was real nervous ... afraid of the huge needle going in my arm, but it wasn't as bad as I thought it was going to be," said Trey Kennedy, freshman athletic training major.

"The hardest part is the needle pricking your finger."

Another student, Tamara Fowler, a freshman nursing major, felt much like Kennedy on her fourth donation.

"I was scared, but needles and blood don't bother me. You just have to think of the other people who need it," said Fowler.

There are also those who are unable to donate their blood, be it from disease or fear of needles.

"For folks who are not able to donate blood they can call their local Red Cross center and see what volunteers are needed for blood drives," said Smith.

"They can hand out refreshments or recruit more donors." Smith added that the Red Cross is fortunate for ECU's continued support.

"Pitt County is the largest collection area in eastern North Carolina," Smith said.

The Red Cross offers other

donations people can contribute to. One of these is called a double red cell donation. In this procedure, a donor's red blood cells are taken and plasma and platelets are returned to the body. However, the requirements for this type of donation are different from those of a whole blood donation due to the volume of blood that is taken. In addition to needing types O and B blood, each donor must have a 40 percent iron level. Male donors must weigh no less than 150 pounds and be no shorter than five feet, one inch while female donors must weigh no less than 175 pounds and must be five feet, five inches to be a donor. This donation uses a smaller needle and helps save more lives.

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Blood Drive

Between the two blood drives that took place at Mendenhall Student Center on Tuesday and Wednesday of last week, 223 blood donations were received.

Some Stats:

- Every two seconds someone needs blood.
- One pint of donated blood can save three to four lives.
- People can donate blood every 56 days, equaling six donations per year, or save up to 24 lives.
- A single shock-trauma victim can use 100 units of blood components in just a few hours.
- Approximately 4 million patients receive a blood transfusion each year.
- 97 percent of the population will receive a blood transfusion by the age of 75.
- The average adult body contains approximately 10 - 12 pints of blood.

Blood types in greater demand, as of Sept. 10:

- O Negative
- O Positive
- B Negative
- B Positive
- A Positive

For more information and to see if you are eligible to donate blood, call 1-800-GIVE-LIFE or visit www.redcross.org.

Boiled peanuts, a long proud lasting southern tradition

WILMINGTON, NC (AP) — People unaccustomed to eating boiled peanuts have doubts about the practice. You try to eat one for the first time, digging your way past the soggy, brine-soaked hull, only to have the thing squirt you. And, on first taste, the soft, salty, bean-like prize doesn't seem worth the effort. Cece Hudson of Turkey described the appeal of the regional delicacy best.

"Why do we shuck oysters? Why do we pick crab legs?" she said. "It's like eating watermelon. There aren't too many things you can eat and take a bath in at the same time."

You don't eat these foods with a knife and fork, but with your fingers, juices running down your arms. They're best enjoyed unadorned, the focus of the simplest meals and at lazy social gatherings.

Boiled peanuts are Southern, but not regionally ubiquitous. Because they're made from green peanuts, which are freshly dug, they're mostly found in big peanut-producing states such as South Carolina and Georgia. That also includes North Carolina; farmers might grow more soybeans (1.45 million acres of them), corn and cotton, but the 105,000 acres of peanuts planted here is only 54,000 less than the acres allotted to tobacco.

I grew up in the heart of Vir-

ginia peanut country — there's a whole class of peanuts named after the state — but I had never experienced boiled peanuts until I moved to Wilmington.

Even then, I wasn't a fan. Luckily, I'm not quick to judge and happily agreed to go in search of boiled peanuts last week, a journey that led me from Wilmington to Dublin, Bladenboro, Scotts Hill and Turkey.

Hudson's Sampson County home was one of my last stops. Each year, she and her husband Jart host a boiled peanut party that coincides with the first weeks of their peanut harvest and the birthday of their oldest child.

It was there, seated in a circle of folding chairs on a concrete-floor garage, eating plate after plate of boiled peanuts with the 60 or so other guests, that I wondered, "Why am I enjoying this so much?"

After Hudson's explanation, it made perfect sense. Even though my family always ate roasted peanuts, the experience of eating mushier ones recalled other memories, of being sticky with watermelon juice or fishing meat out of crab legs.

"Both of our families boiled peanuts, we both grew up eating boiled peanuts," Hudson said. Sunday was her fifth annual boiled peanut party. The five bushels of peanuts she served came from the fields near her house.

Her husband and farm workers had dug them that morning. "Everybody enjoys it. It's not a fancy party," she said.

The focus is on a few homemade treats. The peanuts had the starring role, as guests scooped them warm by the cupful from coolers. Diners could satisfy their sweet tooth by trying homemade ice cream — one freezer was full of strawberry and one was full of peach — and a chocolate pound cake.

"Grandma made the pound cake," Hudson said.

In an article in the upcoming Southern food writing anthology "Cornbread Nation 2," John Martin Taylor, author of "Hoppin' John's Lowcountry Cooking," tries to trace the origins of boiled peanuts but finds only murky answers. There are no records of the treat in 18th- and 19th-century publications.

Milton Harrell, 73, said he's been eating boiled peanuts for more than 60 years. The North Carolina native's first experience with them is closely tied to tobacco harvests.

He remembers long nights of curing the leaves, before the days of oil or gas burners, when the process had to be closely watched. The workers would have a pot of peanuts on to boil, and maybe a stewed chicken, to keep them going through the

night. At the time, Harrell could buy a bag with a couple of handfuls of peanuts for 10 cents. These days, a bag will cost \$1-\$3.

At his produce stand off Market Street near Porters Neck, Harrell sells peaches, home-grown tomatoes and okra. He also makes boiled peanuts when they're in season.

"Most people are just digging the plants now," he said.

Hudson said that's another reason for boiled peanuts' appeal. When many Southern fruits and vegetables are past their peak, the peanuts are just coming in.

"The peanuts aren't at full maturity," she said. In a few more weeks, the bulk of the harvested peanut crop will go to more traditional purposes. About half of all peanuts raised are used to make peanut butter. But the younger nuts, the ones that are ready now, make the best boiled peanuts.

Hudson usually starts by cleaning the nuts in three washes of cold, clear water.

Every boiled peanut maker has his or her own touch with the amount of salt, water and time. The kind of peanut used also makes a difference in texture and taste.

The Virginia peanut family is larger than the smaller, rounder Spanish peanut family. Harrell prefers the smaller varieties.

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drawal of the parasympathetic activity.

The heart rhythm is under control of the central nervous system and there are two limbs of that nervous system that play a role, the sympathetic system which increases the heart rate and dominates during the day and the parasympathetic system, which slows the heart rate down and is active while a person is sleeping.

"What we saw was a sudden shift with the nervous system's control of the heart," Casico said.

"This could be a stimulus that could be sufficient to cause a heart attack or an abnormal rhythm."

An abnormal heart rhythm could lead to the loss of con-

sciousness or death.

Other traumatic events have produced similar effects to a person's heart rate variability including earthquakes. Since the officer who was measured in the study was relatively young and in relatively good health, his body was able to respond to the sudden changes in heart rate variability. However, such a change in an older person with a weaker heart could cause more serious problems.

Casico said this study was more of an anecdotal observation, but it does point out a strong association between emotional stress and heart responses and is something that must be kept in mind by clinicians.

Although the risk of developing an emotional response like post traumatic stress syndrome was greatest with people living within the New York area, it was present throughout the United States. Post-traumatic stress syndrome is associated with decreased heart rate variability suggesting a link between cardiac function and central nervous system function and a person's emotional state.

"It would be my recommendation for future studies to include the cardiovascular component to better understand the effects of emotion on heart disease," Casico said.

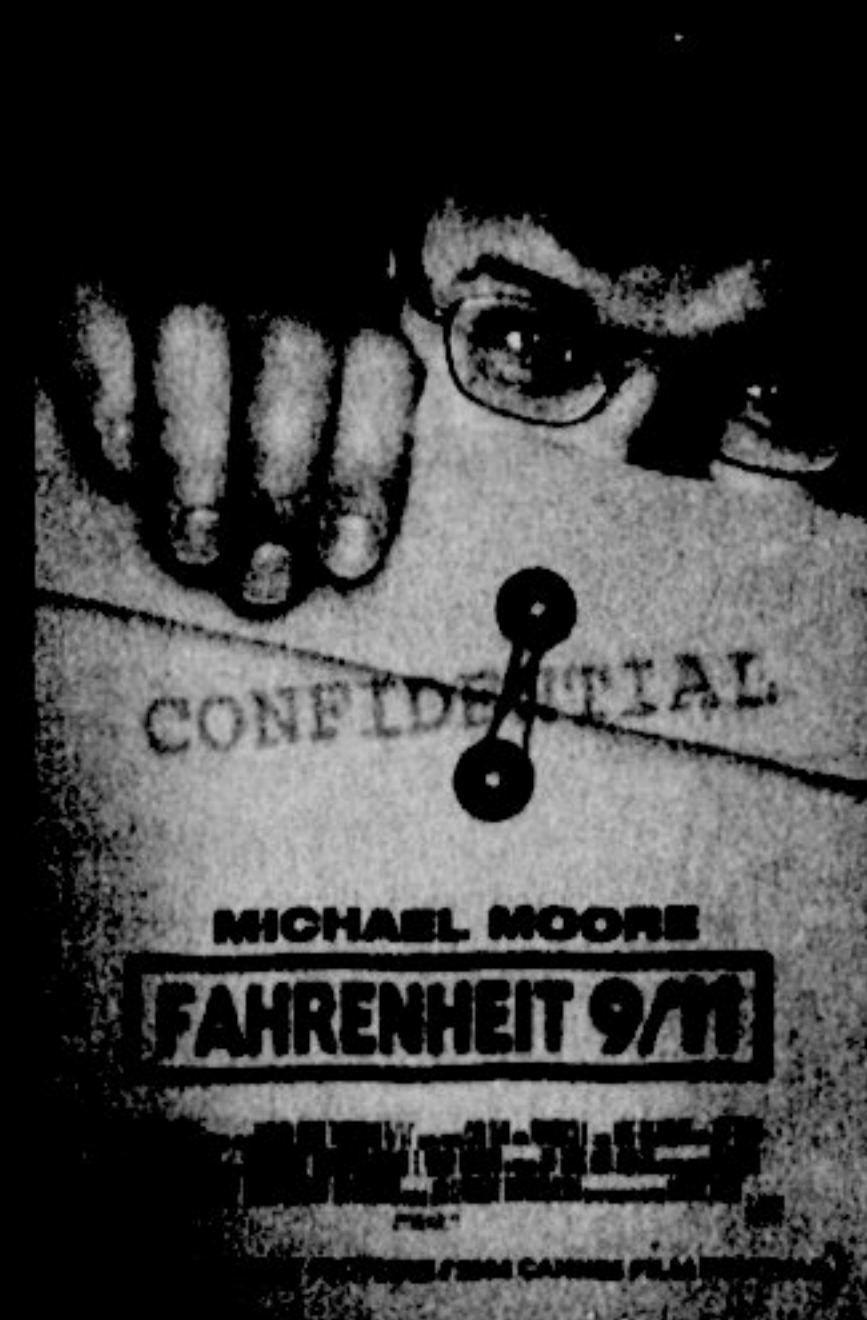
There are a lot of studies

going on about the health effects of the 9/11 attacks being studied at both the state and federal level.


Casico received his undergraduate degree from John Hopkins University in 1977. He went to the University of Maryland for medical school and graduated in 1980. He worked at UNC Chapel Hill and did an internship in medicine and cardiology fellowship. He went to the University of Bern in Switzerland and worked as an assistant before returning to the faculty of UNC until 1997. Casico arrived in Greenville this past June and plans on staying here.

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THE MOVIES...



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FARENHEIT 9/11

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Our View

With the recent assaults and robberies within the campus and surrounding area, TEC feels it is necessary to remind students to exercise extreme caution when walking alone at night.

Situations like this, however unfortunate, remind us as a community that we can never be too safe.

Following is a list from SecurityOnCampus.org to help keep you safe and acting smart:

- Freshmen should "respectfully decline" to have photo and personal information published for distribution to the campus community. Fraternities and upperclassmen have abused this type of publication to "target" naive freshmen.

- Study the campus and neighborhood with respect to routes between your residence and class/activities schedule. Know where emergency phones are located.

- Share your class/activities schedule with parents and a network of close friends, effectively creating a type of "buddy" system. Give network telephone numbers to your parents, advisors and friends.

- Always travel in groups. Use a shuttle service after dark. Never walk alone at night. Avoid "shortcuts".

- Survey the campus, academic buildings, residence halls and other facilities while classes are in session and after dark to see that buildings, walkways and parking lots are adequately secured, lit and patrolled. Are emergency phones, escorts and shuttle services adequate?

- Doors and windows to your residence hall should be equipped with quality locking mechanisms. Room doors should be equipped with peep holes and deadbolts. Always lock them when you are absent. Do not loan out your key. Rekey locks when a key is lost or stolen.

- Always lock your doors and first and second floor windows at night. Never compromise your safety for a roommate who asks you to leave the door unlocked.

- Do not leave your identification, wallets, checkbooks, jewelry, cameras and other valuables in open view.

- Program your phone's speed dial memory with emergency numbers that include family and friends.

- Know your neighbors and don't be reluctant to report illegal activities and suspicious loitering.

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Opinion Columnist

Democrats continue to sink lower

Group favors 'anybody but Bush' mentality

TONY MCKEE
STAFF WRITER

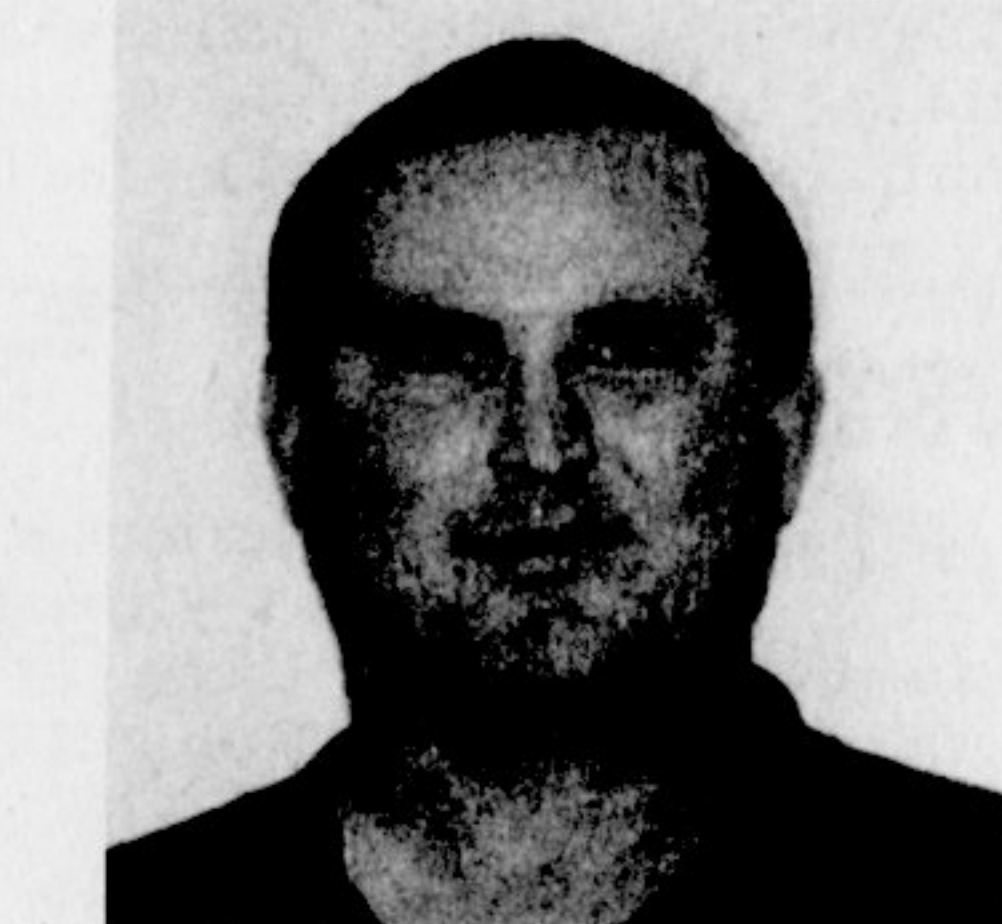
Well, in the last few months or so we have seen just how desperate and hypocritical the Democrats and the major media have become, and also how low they will sink in order to defeat President Bush. Not to elect Kerry, but to defeat President Bush. There is a major difference.

Let's take a look-see at some shining (like a dying star) examples, shall we? These are in no particular order, so bear with me.

First, John Kerry is an idiot and should never be allowed to govern a Scout troop let alone the United States. Hey, this is not my opinion! By the standards the Democrats and press use for President Bush this, or something very similar, should have appeared on the front page of every major newspaper and aired on every television and radio newscast in the country. Why?

Because Kerry had a slip of the tongue and called the Green Bay Packers' (that's a football team for all you non-sports fanatics) home field Lambert instead of Lambeau. That is a sacrilege! Where's the press wringing their hands and pontificating like they do when President Bush's misspeaks, saying the man is too dumb to lead the nation? Where were all the jokemeisters yucking it up at Kerry's expense? Better yet, how many of you even knew that it had happened? Anyone?

How can we expect someone to calmly lead the nation through a crisis when he can't even keep himself from "flipping the bird" at a Vietnam veteran? That's what John Kerry did



to a veteran named Ted Sampley, a local man from Kinston, a couple of months ago in front of the Vietnam Memorial and also in front of a group of school children. The press was there, they saw it, or should have. How many of you saw that incident reported in the papers? How about shown on the nightly news or trashed on the weekend talk shows? Anybody? Now why do you think that is? Could it be that the press was looking the other way at the exact time these incidents occurred? Had Kerry's speech put them to sleep? Or was it because the media's liberal bias prevents them from reporting anything that will hurt Kerry or, conversely, help Bush?

The one lie that the press helps Kerry, the Democrats and the press spread that really bothers me though is that President Bush's tax cut goes only to the "rich." Let's look at their definition of "rich," shall we? According to IRS figures, the top 50 percent of wage earners pay more than 95 percent of income taxes. The yearly income range for this top 50 percent is from around \$27,000 and up. The lower 50 percent of wage earners, those making less than \$27,000 a year pay less than five percent of income taxes.

Congratulations! By the standards of the Democrats and the press, almost

every member of ECU's staff and faculty, as well as numerous students, are rich or come from rich families! How's it feel? Doesn't it make you all tingly inside knowing that Kerry and the Democrats want to repeal the tax cuts that the rich (i.e. you) got so that the money can be redistributed to people they think are more deserving? Doesn't it?

Did you know that the Democrats were once again trying to interfere with the election process in Florida? This time they went to court to try to keep Ralph Nader off the Florida Presidential ballots. Their stated reasoning: Nader wasn't part of a "national" party and should be prevented from appearing on the ballot.

Isn't it interesting that of the six non "national party" candidates on Florida's ballot, Nader was the only one that they tried to block? Could that be because the Democrats still blame him for the 2000 election? Fortunately, this latest attempt to interfere with the election process was halted by the Florida Supreme Court. This is the same Supreme Court who in 2000 threw the Florida Constitution in the trash and made things up as they went along in an effort to get Gore elected. Even they realized how specious the Democrats' argument was. The vote was 6-1 against the Democrats.

For those that may be feeling that the Democrats cause is hopeless, fear not, for you have unreported allies.

You can take comfort in knowing that the Democratic Socialists of America and The Communist Party USA have urged their members to support John Kerry. While Kerry was not the first choice for either organization (by their admission), he's not George Bush.

And like the media, the Socialists and Communists would rather have anybody besides Bush as President. Even if it's John Kerry.

Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor,
It seems to me that many "extremists" are in disagreement with our foreign policy rather than our values or democracy. For years, our culture has been admired by many across the world. Many leaders use ideology as a means of inspiring passion amongst the people, when the real concern is more concrete. Our true solution comes through a very hard analysis of our positions on a variety of global issues. As a society, our role as citizens should be to embrace our own collective autonomy and hold democratically elected representatives to the Lockean principles for which our nation was founded upon. Only then will we be able to shed the elements of legislative paternalism that imparts many with a sense of disenfranchisement or dependency.

Mandril Taylor
ECU Student
Dear Editor,
What is the deal with the connection game? You have all played it or have been at least sucked in by it. I was talking to someone the other day. When I told her that I was getting a degree from ECU she said, "oh, my boyfriend is from Chocowinity," (well now we have something in common then don't we). It's as if we are long lost siblings. The only thing I know about Chocowinity is that there is a sign for it somewhere down the street from the newest Food Lion shopping center to grace us.

People play the connections game most of the time when they first meet someone. Apparently the average person is so bad at conversation that they can't talk about anything but

the most superficial subjects. I find I have them the most when I meet my grandparent's friends after church.

One guy to another "Oh you go to ECU, my nephew went to Western Carolina, it was very pretty in the winter." If this is the full breadth of what people have to say to each other then maybe we don't need all of these cell phone plans and packages. Of course nobody has a cell phone to have idle conversations anyway right. They have them because they might get broken down out in the middle of nowhere all alone. That happened to me once when I was moving some of my furniture in a big U-Haul by way of Highway 42 - I was about five miles outside of nowhere when my tire blew. I pulled out the cell phone to call the company. Funny thing was I didn't get a signal on 42. Thanks Cingular.

Folks, if you want to talk to someone, ask how they are doing and actually be interested in the answer. Even the shallowest person can read through shallow dialogue. I have gotten to know a lot of warm and worthwhile people by having conversations that actually matter.

Ryan Downey
ECU Student

Dear Editor,
Why does it seem that the majority of people these days are in such a hurry? I understand that, just as I do, we all have long lists of things that have to be done before the end of the day. However, I do not understand why people tend to believe that their list is the most important thing going on in the world. We all need to think everything through and go about things in a much more calm and laid back manner.

Especially those of us who are students on campus.

Today I was calmly driving over to a friend's house when a young gentleman, probably in his mid to late twenties tried to scoot around me in his car. Once he realized that I was not about to let him pass me in the bicycle lane on First Street, he proceeded to cut in front of me on the left side as I was attempting to make a left-hand turn. He angrily expressed his feelings for me, the safe driver, with a few choice words that I will not repeat. I gave him two words of advice: slow down. I assume that he is a student, and cannot figure out what was so important that he had to tail my bumper like a NASCAR driver on this, a Sunday afternoon. I was listening to the race on my radio, although I was not actually driving like I was on the track in New Hampshire alongside Dale Jr. and Kurt Busch. I am sure that you know who you are, so slow down.

Lastly, I tend to go out at the bars downtown. It amazes me to see patrons scream and flash their money at the bartenders. Bartenders actually tend to make those people wait while they serve a few others. Why act like you own the establishment when the bartenders and bouncers know that you are not the one that signs their paychecks? A word of advice - that does not get you anywhere when trying to get a drink.

One thing we all need to think about and learn is how to stay calm. True, it is OK to voice your opinion, like I am doing in this article, but there are more important things going on in this complicated world than me actually organizing my desk - which has been on my list of things to do since early August.

Dan Bullard
ECU Student

Pirate Rant

As if finding an accessible space for parking in B1 lots is not difficult enough, recently I have noticed that the first two spaces on the lot across from Christenbury, on 10th Street, have been designated for Emeritus. Why not put the Emeritus on A lots, where I have noticed enough spaces near Fletcher to accommodate them, and have them closer to campus?

Why do the dorms allow you to have a fish as a pet, but you can only have one? Are four or five fish really going to make much of a difference in a room the size of a fish bowl?

People need to make well informed decisions before going to the polls. I am so tired of hearing Kerry's "I was in Vietnam" speech, I actually get nauseous now. Sure he was in Vietnam, but what about after? He didn't even have the balls to throw his own medals on the ground. He is also the second hated person from that era (Jane Fonda being the first).

The entertainment industry is turning into a sham. If you have a relative in the business and no talent, you are still given record deals and TV shows (hello, Ashlee Simpson). On the other hand, if you are a singer and want to act or an actor wanting to sing, you are given that option, regardless that you don't have the other talent (i.e. Lindsay Lohan, Jessica Simpson).

Why is the only time I can do my laundry is at 2 a.m.? There are two washers and dryers on every other floor of my dorm and they are always full.

A double quarter-pounder with cheese is the best cure for a hangover... that is the only way to go. No Bojangles' for me!

I am a very informed voter, and the reason I am voting for Bush is because he does not waver on his positions. He is a strong, decisive leader who has our nation's best interest at heart. Kerry is instable and easily influenced, and he will not be effective as the leader of our country.

Do we need so many visitors and motorcycle spaces in B lots? Move them somewhere else! I bet visitors would prefer to be in A lots and motorcycles are rarely parked so far from campus, so those spaces could be put to good use to accommodate a few more cars.

Why were some of the seats oversold at the football game? My roommates and I bought tickets for a particular section, and because of someone's incompetence, we were turned away and sent to the nosebleed section. This is not a good way to treat tuition paying, Pirate flag waving students and fans.

I am glad to see that there are guys out there who appreciate those of us girls who still have a shred of decency left when it comes to our wardrobe.

My husband was in Iraq, Afghanistan, the Phillipines, Korea and Kosovo. He put himself in danger to save lives and protect our rights. He watched as some of his closest friends died for our rights. He literally bled, sweat and cried for our country. If you are basing your decision on being in the military, then why don't we elect my husband... or any other military member for that matter.

Walking around campus blowing your lung cancer all over people isn't polite, butt-head.

Is it just me, or is the basement of the library a scary place? There never seems to be any body working down there.

Are people so insecure and lonely that they have to talk on their cell phones everywhere they go?

There is a reason that cars have turn signals - people need to start using them.

All of this negative campaigning is getting on my nerves. Can we have a write-in vote for someone who is a little more pleasant?

If there is someone holding a door for you, instead of flipping your hair and continuing to talk about your lip-gloss, trying taking the door from them and then, heaven-forbid, saying "Thank You."

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Announcements:

The RUMI Concert: A Turning Night of Stars

13th Century poetry, music and dance
8 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 23, Wright Auditorium
Tickets: 1-800-ECU-ARTS
Two free tickets with valid student ID

World Peace Initiative: Arts for Peace Workshop

Coleman Barks, Glen Velez, David Darling, Zuleikha
Friday, Sept. 24, Wright Auditorium
Contact: 328-2306

Freeboot Friday

Includes food and live entertainment
5 p.m. - 8 p.m. Friday, Sept. 24, Uptown Greenville
Evans Street and Martin Luther King Jr. Drive
Contact: 329-4200

Moridian Arts Ensemble

Concert includes music from Carter, Villa-Lobos, Sharp and Hendrix
8 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 25, AJ Fletcher Recital Hall
Student Tickets \$5, Faculty 20 percent discount
Contact: 328-4788

Ballroom Dancing

United States Amateur Ballroom Dancers Association
7:30 p.m. - 11 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 25, Willis Building
Fox Trot, Rumba, Dancing and Refreshments
Contact: 321-3809

Names in the News

Rick James, died at the age of 56 on August 6, 2004. Best known for hit song "Super Freak," James had diabetes and extreme drug issues. On the day of his death, he had nine drugs in his system, including cocaine, methamphetamine, valium and vicodin. Dave Chappelle must have left those "profile highlights" out of his show.

Anthony Anderson was accused of sexual assault, again on Sept. 18. Already charged with raping a Memphis, Tenn. woman, Anderson did not have a good summer. Or maybe it was a little too good.

It sounded so outlandish that we figured it must be true. Now the cable channel Bravo has confirmed that next spring it will premier a reality show based on the rocky domestic life of singing couple Bobby Brown and Whitney Houston. Bravo executives say the 10 episodes of "Being Bobby Brown" will follow the onetime New Edition star and his family over a period of six weeks as he tries to resolve his legal entanglements and revive his recording career. That should give them plenty to work with. Brown still faces trial on misdemeanor battery charges for allegedly striking Houston in the face at their home outside Atlanta. Since they married in 1992, he has been arrested for sexual battery, drunken driving, drug possession, failing to pay child support to a former lover and several probation violations. "Bravo is committed to providing programming that goes deep into the internal worlds of creative people," said the channel's president, Lauren Zalaznick. Just be sure you keep a ball bondsman on speed dial.

With McDonald's sales flagging across Europe, the French division of the fast-food colossus decided it needed a shot in the arm. So it hired the Olsen twins, Mary-Kate and Ashley, as spokeswomen. We're not making this up, folks. Apparently, word never made it over to Paris that Mary-Kate spent a good portion of her summer in rehab being treated for an eating disorder. This is like Slim Fast appointing Ruben Studdard as its pitchman.

Busy beavers as always, the twins won't just be promoting burgers and pommes frites. They'll be offering their own personally endorsed line of purses, coloring sets and photo albums. A visit to the McDonald's Gallic Web site displays a perfectly delightful "sac en jean Mary-Kate and Ashley (that's a denim handbag). We're lovin' it.

THE 60S STRIKE BACK

Loessin Playhouse presents 'HAIR'

LAURA KEELING SENIOR WRITER

"What do we want ... PEACE ... When do we want it ... NOW ... What do we want ... FREEDOM ... When do we want it ... NOW!"

- HAIR
In times of turmoil, war, death and destruction of peace, we often look to find an outlet to the madness and escape to understanding. The world is not often the happiest place at times but we somehow have to cope and recognize that we can do something about it.

ECU Loessin Playhouse will be presenting *Hair*, the American Tribal Love-Rock Musical, Friday, Sept. 30 - Tuesday, Oct. 5.

"This musical is very relevant to what is going on today," said John Shearin, director of the school of theater and dance and of *Hair*. "It is a very joyful celebration of things that are

American: freedom, free speech, joy, love, peace and prosperity."

Hair debuted on Oct. 29, 1967 at Joseph Papp's New York Shakespeare Festival Public Theatre and ran for a month. Months later it was brought to the Biltmore Theatre and ran for 1,750 performances, making it the longest running musical of the 1960s.

It has been described as the first and one of the most successful rock musicals of our time.

"This musical celebrates American values. It has rude turns that are upside down in a very joyful way," Shearin said.

Set in 1968 Greenwich Village in New York City, the musical is about a tribe of hippies and their battle with the Vietnam draft, the fight for their rights and struggle for free love. This was the true time of sex, drugs and rock n' roll.

Songs that may be recognizable include: "Aquarius," "Hair," "I Got Life," "Let the Sunshine" and "Easy to be Hard."

"*Hair* has been an enlightening experience. It's a message see **HAIR** page A7



FYI

HAIR - The American Tribal Love-Rock Musical
Friday, Sept. 30 - Tuesday, Oct. 5
Show times vary
Contact the box office at McGinnis Theatre for more information
Student tickets available
Tickets on sale now

Alcohol, drugs are problem on campus

How is this effecting students on campus?

MEREDITH STEWART STAFF WRITER

It's the beginning of a new school year, and students (especially freshmen) are adapting to the college lifestyle. Going to class, doing your homework, participating in activities and being able to relax or go out with your friends seems simple enough - right? WRONG. Only a small percentage of students can maintain this lifestyle throughout the semester. If you are one of those people - congratulations. While some students are able to accept this responsibility, others begin that way, but often tend to focus on other aspects as the semester goes on. Lack of motivation, freedom, procrastination, and of course parties keep many students from reaching their potential. And for the rest of the students, their goal in college is to party as much as possible. Which group do you fall in?

Aja Campbell, a freshman at ECU said "for me coming to ECU meant working hard, but also meeting new people, and yes even attending parties." ECU has the reputation of being a "party school," but while

some are here just to drink and carry on, others have realistic goals - such as graduating. Partying seems to be a big factor when entering the college scene. Fraternities, sororities, bars and clubs all border the campus of ECU, which doesn't make the decision to stay in and study any easier.

Just as any college, drugs and alcohol are at every turn. Alcohol is the number one leading drug in America, and is continuing to grow every year. At random, 50 students were asked, "Have you consumed alcohol since the beginning of the semester?"

Thirty-nine students admitted to consuming alcohol, and 17 of those students admitted to consuming an excessive amount on multiple occasions. This survey proves that college students are drinking, but that doesn't necessarily mean that it's all a bad thing. Maintaining your grades, morals and goals are all important, but being able to party should be something of choice. While some may look down upon drinking, it's a matter of freedom and personal decision. As you all know underage drinking is illegal, and charges will be filed if you are caught. But that doesn't seem to be stopping many underage teens from attending parties and getting wasted. Those who have a beer or two and control their

drinking habits usually tend to succeed in college, as for the other, they usually don't make it back after the first semester.

Going downtown seems to be very popular, since it's so close to ECU campus.

"When I go downtown I like to have a buzz, it makes me more sociable and I'm able to have a good time," said a junior at ECU, who wishes to remain anonymous. Feedback such as this should really make you think twice before heading downtown. Understanding that people just want to have a good time, it's more important to be safe and remember exactly why you are here.

Drugs also seem to be increasing in popularity, as availability is becoming easier than ever before. Marijuana, America's number one used illegal drug is rapidly spreading across college campuses everywhere. Possession of marijuana, or any illegal drug will get you kicked out of your dorm room, and can even give you a criminal record. Obtaining drug paraphernalia is also a crime and punishment will be given accordingly. Again a random survey was taken, including all races, genders and ethnic groups to determine an estimate of how many students are drug-free and how many participate in drug related activities. Out of 50 students 23



Though the Greenville club scene is hot, missing class is not.

admitted to smoking marijuana since the semester had began, and nine of those students reported to using other illegal drugs. Though this number doesn't appear to be significant, keep in mind that only 50 students were asked, just imagine asking every student on campus.

"I like to smoke marijuana when I am at a party to help me relax and not be nervous, that way I am able to meet more people and not be so paranoid," said a sophomore at ECU, who also wishes to remain anonymous. Responses such as these are the reason why so many people do not return to college after their first semester. Being well aware that students want to have fun, and "follow the crowd,"

sometimes it's best to use your own judgments. Peer pressure convinces many innocent people to participate in activities that go against their morals, goals and beliefs. Each person must decide what's right or wrong, according to his or her personal standards. Keep in mind that every decision you make affects you and your future in some way or another. Sure it's fun to go out and party every night, but keeping a "healthy" balance is the responsible thing to do, and could prevent you from going through a chapter in your life which you may regret for years to come.

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Deaf Heritage Week kicks off in Greenville

Spreading awareness to ECU students

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Pat Dunn, a council member for Deaf Heritage Week, declared the start of Deaf Heritage Week at the Colonial Mall in Greenville on Sunday, Sept. 19. The presentation by Dunn was followed by an opening celebration of entertainment and socialization. Deaf Heritage Week will last all week, ending on Saturday, Sept. 25.

"Deaf Heritage Week is a good awareness event to help fellow students and teachers of ECU to learn how to communicate and feel comfortable about their deaf classmates," said Misti Shaub, a deaf student who attends ECU.

Deaf Heritage Week, an event that is held every year, is celebrated by many people who are deaf and by various people who are interested in learning more about the deaf.

"It is celebrated during the last full week of September. The timing is significant in that it coincides with the first World Congress of the Deaf, which was held in 1951 in Rome, Italy," said Liz S. Johnston, director of Disability Support Service.

The World Federation of the Deaf (WFD) was established at the first World Congress of the Deaf. WFD works hard with determination to promote the human and social rights of Deaf people everywhere.

According to WFD, "WFD is dedicated to achieving equal opportunities, better education for people who are deaf, strengthening and improving the

access of information to people who are deaf, improving the status of the varied sign languages from different countries and focusing on the human rights and equal opportunities for deaf people in third world countries."

WFD holds a World Congress every four years. More than 3,000 deaf and hard of hearing attend the World Congress from all over the world.

Debates, sharing information of education, human rights, culture, health and discussing educational opportunities for the deaf people living in developing countries are all presented at the World Congress.

During the week of Sept. 19 - 25, the organizers of Deaf Heritage Week in Greenville hope to spread the awareness to anyone that is interested in deaf culture and the

significant accomplishments of deaf people, and to explain the varied and unique languages and communication methods used by people who are deaf.

"I hope to learn more about signing and cochlear implants during this week's events. I think it is good for people who can hear to have the exposure of Deaf Heritage Week. The more hearing people learn about deafness, the more deaf people and hearing people will be able to communicate effectively and work together," said Alison Williams, a hearing ECU student.

This event will be the third year that ECU has celebrated Deaf Heritage Week. Vocational Rehabilitation, the Wilson Regional Resource Center and ECU have collaborated together in order to bring Deaf Heritage Week to the people of Greenville

so they can be exposed to deaf issues and people that are deaf.

On Wednesday, Sept. 22, from noon to 2 p.m., students can go to Wright Plaza to discover information about Deaf culture. Throughout the week, in conjunction with the World Peace Week events at ECU, students will be exposed to sign language interpreters and cued speech translators, which are provided for all the World Peace Week events.

Finally, on Saturday, Sept. 25 at 2 p.m., there is a football game between Eastern North Carolina School for the Deaf (ENCSD) and South Carolina School for the Deaf. Everyone is welcome to enjoy the "Deaf Apollo" talent show held after the game.

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ECU instructors dig 'Chicks'

Debut film a result of passion, perseverance

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Professors of different fields of study do different things in their free time. A geology professor may travel to Nepal and study the Himalayan Mountains, while a history professor may write a book offering original theories regarding the Bolshevik Revolution. But what do you do when you work in the communication department? If you're anything like Lovinder Gill and Geoff Thompson, you make full-length feature films like *Chicks 101*.

Moving to Hollywood is no longer essential to getting involved with the film industry. North Carolina ranks only behind New York and California in terms of direct revenues derived from productions and generated \$230 million in 2002. North Carolina is successful for many reasons. First of all, it's a right-to-work state, which means producers can work freely without union intervention. North Carolina can provide the backdrop for any kind of movie. Filming can take place on the coastline, in the mountains, rural areas and accommodating cities, large or small. The most appealing feature of North Carolina, though, is their thriving community of filmmakers.

Gill and Thompson are two of these filmmakers, though each has reached this point in different ways. Gill has a Bachelor of Fine Arts from the North Carolina School of the Arts, School of Filmmaking, and also received his master's in screenwriting and film studies from Hollins University. He's been involved with the film industry in North Carolina and began teaching at ECU during the fall of 2002.

Thompson attended the University of Florida where he received his bachelor's in journalism and a master's in mass communication. He moved to Wilmington to make movies.

"I was just waiting tables, and stuff like that, doing the standard acting thing, getting auditions," said Thompson.

"I started thinking to myself, 'I'm waiting tables with a master's degree. What's wrong with this picture?'" Upon seeing a position at UNC-W filled, which would have been perfect for him, he began considering his options. He was soon hired by ECU and began teaching during the fall semester of 2002.

"[Gill and I] started here at

the same time. And from the moment we met, we just started talking about making movies," Thompson said.

At that point, Gill had already written a handful of screenplays. He admits his first two scripts were pretentious, anti-establishment pieces that were too deep for his ability at the time.

"Orson Wells, he can redefine cinema with his first film. I can't. Most people can't. What you have to learn from the process is what you can do," said Gill.

In stark contrast with his first two pieces, his next screenplay was a very commercial romantic comedy.

During one of his classes at graduate school, his classmates were presenting their first screenplays, which were deep, depressing films similar to Gill's first attempts.

"I was the last to go and I get up there and say, 'mine is called *Chicks 101*' and everyone looks at me like I'm nuts. God bless the script. It's done amazing things for me," Gill said.

Chicks 101 is about a man named Louie King, who has a knack for picking up women. Louie begins passing on his knowledge of women to his hopeless buddy, Noel. When the advice works, word spreads and soon Louie is renting out a classroom teaching men who have had no luck with women, everything he knows. However, when Louie's dating prowess is challenged, the gauntlet is thrown down. To prove naysayers wrong, Louie claims he can pick out any woman they name. Their choice is Marla, who teaches 'Feminism in the 20th century' down the hall. Now Louie must alter his entire approach to women to accomplish his goal.

The two began work on the film early in 2003. Though Gill had been attempting to make the film for a while, the synergy of the pair got the project off the ground. As Thompson said, "... it just really took on a life of its own."

They began assembling a team and raising money for the film. Finding financing was a difficult task early on.

"[We] found a lawyer in California who wrote a book on this subject ... he put together a package, a legal offering, and we networked and were able to find people interested in investing in our film. A lot of it was friends and family, a lot of it was our own money ... and it was hard getting people - because at the time before we started shooting we didn't have anything to sell anybody," Thompson said.

Things really began going



Lovinder Gill works with fellow cast crew members on *Chicks 101*.

their way when they received a grant from Kodak for 16,000 feet of 35mm film, the kind of film most big-budget films shoot on. After receiving the grant, Gill said, "Weil I guess we're shooting on 35mm."

However, shooting on better quality film would mean added expenses to a project already having trouble with funding. The team pushed forward with preproduction throughout the spring and held five casting sessions. Native North Carolinian and fellow School of Filmmaking graduate Keith Harris nabbed the lead. Kate Lealey and Brandon Roberts won the roles of Marla and Noel respectively. Geoff Thompson took the role of Roland, the villain.

With a cast in place, preproduction near completion and everything in place, it was time to shoot the film. When the spring semester ended at ECU, Gill and Thompson packed their bags and headed to Winston-Salem. Nice thing about working at ECU is that you have the summers off," Thompson said.

Winston-Salem welcomed the cast and crew with open arms and were very accommodating over the 17-day shoot. Winston-Salem has become a hotbed for films, as four other features were being shot at the same time as *Chicks 101*.

Gill didn't expect to direct the film initially but jumped at the chance. While filming, there were limitations.

"When you don't have time,

when you don't have money, when you don't have everything [you need] - it forces you to think like, 'we've got to figure out this problem.' It's almost like it's good to have limitations," Gill said.

Problems would arise but Gill's crew found ways to deal with them. They ultimately shot the movie they wanted to make. When shooting wrapped on the film, it moved into a lengthy post-production which is still on-going.

The project is currently nearing completion. An animation company is currently finishing the opening credits and some final sound production is being done. Both Gill and Thompson are more than satisfied with the near-final product.

"It's great ... you look at it and you [say], 'I can't believe we did that,'" Thompson said.

Gill also stated that of the people who have seen the film, the response has been very positive ... "I love it."

As of now, Gill and Thompson have not secured a distribution deal but both remain optimistic. Both feel that it's a great film which will appeal to both men and women. One hindering aspect of the film is its lack of star power.

"The joke is, if we had put Ben Affleck in our movie, we'd definitely get theatrical distribution. We'd definitely make money. But it'd be a worse performance," Gill said.

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Career Xpo Week brings opportunity to ECU students

Students can develop life-long career skills

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College is a major stepping-stone into the real world, and without a little guidance, taking that step can be very frustrating. The ECU Department of Student Professional Development is putting together a Career Xpo Week for students to explore, experience and engage in activities designed to facilitate success in the real world.

Starting Sept. 21, workshops will be provided to target key areas in the career process which students may have problems with, such as preparing a resume, interviewing skills and finding a job.

The Perfect Resume workshop will provide insight into the purpose of having a resume and ensure correct development of a resume that will land you a coveted interview. Knowing key resume skills will assure that your resume and cover letter stand out and is not one that gets tossed in the trash right away.

The Stress-Free Interviewing workshop will help students get rid of all the jitters associated with an interview. Students will learn different styles and formats that employers use in interviewing and will prepare students for all the tricky questions they like to ask. Topics such as greeting the employer, communicating personal accomplishments and overcoming obstacles will be discussed so that students are comfortable with every aspect of an interview.

The Surviving a Job Fair workshop will help students learn how to make the most out of a job fair and its resources. This workshop

is focused on how to make a recruiter want to interview you and will also touch on topics of how to research companies, prepare probing questions and make a positive and lasting impression.

For a list of workshop times and locations refer to the Career Xpo Week timeline.

The Xpo games, which take place on Monday, Sept. 27, will provide an opportunity for students to prepare and practice for the job fair on Sept. 29, in a game-like atmosphere geared toward having fun and learning.

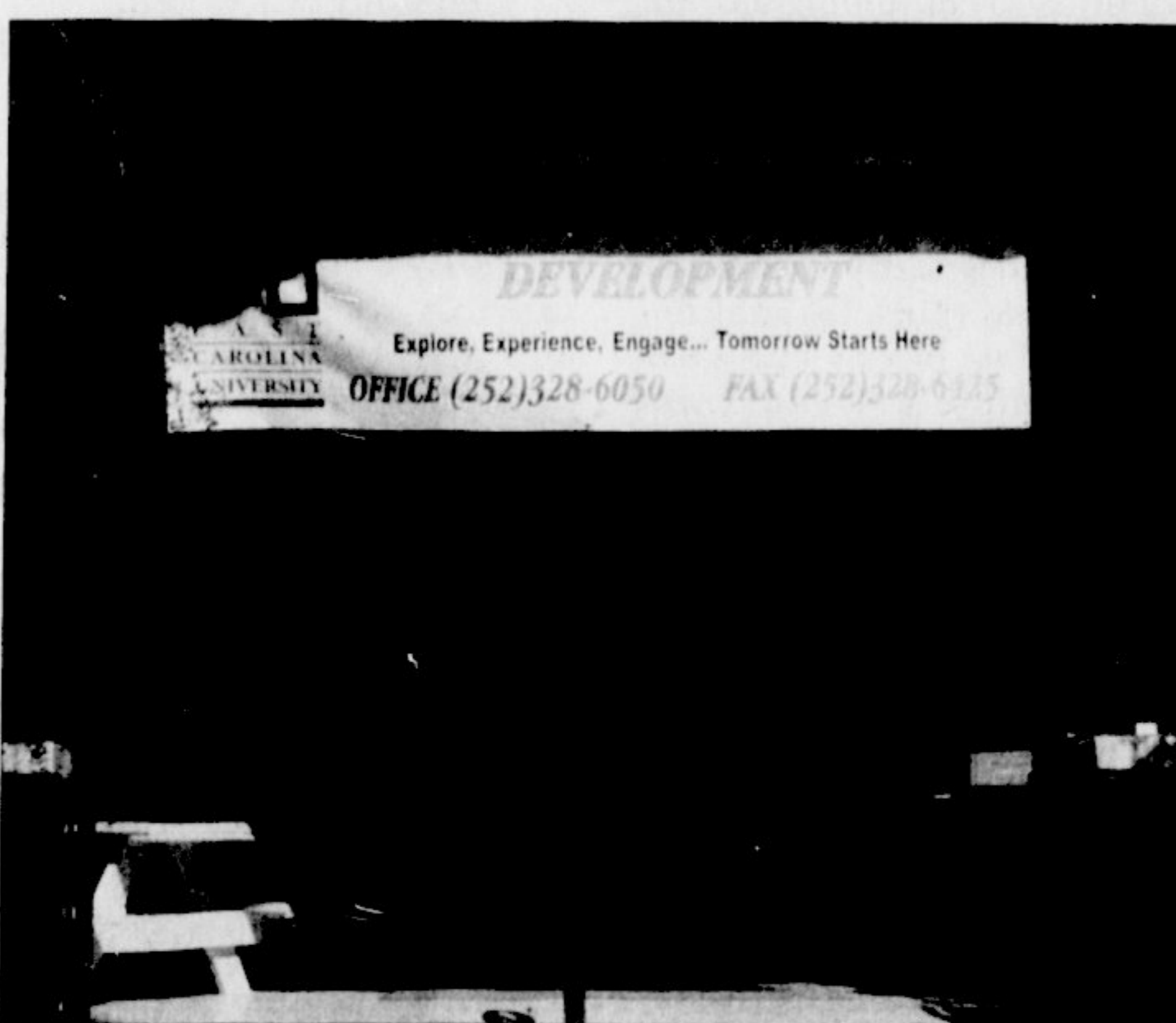
"Students will gain valuable insight about job searching while participating in these interactive activities," said Catrina Davis, student professional development assistant director to the colleges of education and human ecology.

The Community Service Information Xpo, held on Tuesday, Sept. 28, gives students a chance to investigate different opportunities within non-profit organizations, internships and volunteering. Any students interested in these agencies should attend this fair.

The Career Xpo Xtreme is the large job fair that will be held on Wednesday, Sept. 29. One hundred twenty-three employers have registered to attend the fair and are looking for students from all majors. Students will have the opportunity to network with potential employers and learn about internships along with part and full time job opportunities.

"Attending the career fair gives students a chance to interact professionally with potential employers and it provides an opportunity for students to research careers in which they may be interested," Davis said.

Finally, on Sept. 30 and Oct. 1, there will be Xtreme Interviews. This provides students



Student Professional Development will sponsor the Career Xpo Xtreme in various places on campus this week.

with a way to interview with several different companies without traveling far. Employers will have an interview schedule for those asked to come for an interview. The convenience of the interviews is a great way for students to expand on their opportunities after the job fair.

"I think it is a great idea and a great opportunity, but for my major there isn't going to be anything there that really applies to me," said Megan Gulla, junior dance major.

"However the skills gained there will apply to me at some point, so I will probably still go." It is important to know all students can benefit from attending Career Xpo Week. For students serious about attending the fair be sure to check out one of the career workshops for vital tips.

Although many students' objective for attending the career fair may be different, it is still a good idea to have a resume prepared for any opportunity that may arise. Also,

professional attire, although not required, is a key point to making a good first impression with a potential employer.

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FYI

Career Xpo Week Timeline

The Perfect Resume
Sept. 21 - Biology North 107
Sept. 23 - Austin 206
Sept. 23 - Biology North 102

Stress-Free Interviewing
Sept. 21 - Noon, Mendenhall 221
Sept. 21 - 5 p.m., Austin 206
Sept. 23 - 1 p.m., Biology North 107

Surviving a Job Fair
Sept. 22 - 1 p.m., Austin 206
Sept. 22 - 1 p.m., Biology North 107
Sept. 22 - 2 p.m., Brewster D 203

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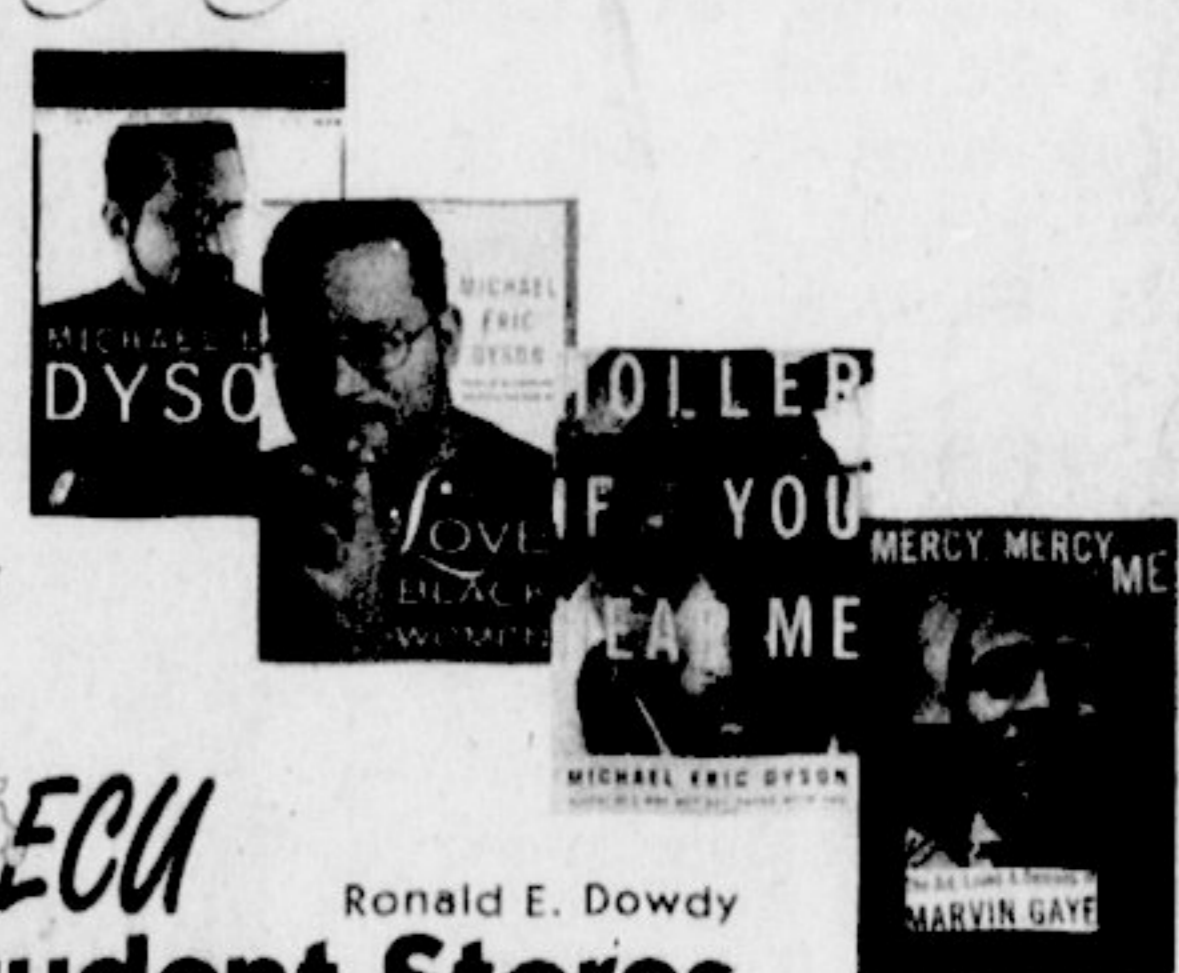
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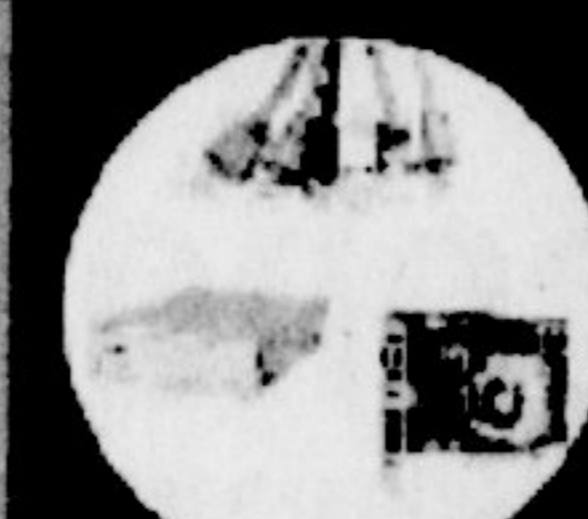
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The Dowdy Student Stores is sponsoring an author signing and book sale after the presentation in Harvey Hall of the Murphy Center. Dyson's books will be for sale at 20% off the retail price in conjunction with this event.



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sage that's come full circle. In 1968, people came to see it to understand their children. Now, being a part of this experience helps us to understand a past generation," said Kristen Wetherington, senior professional acting major.

The theater and dance departments have worked countless hours to make this musical both a moving performance for the audience and diligent reflection about how the actors themselves can show what peace, love and harmony is all about.

Shearin said people do not realize how hard theater students work. A typical day for one of these students is about six hours of class and then another four for rehearsal, sometimes with no break. He compares them to the work load of a student athlete.

"I am constantly gratified and amazed at these students. For them to do this is quite astonishing," Shearin said.

When asked about the cast of *Hair*, Shearin said, "I love 'em. They are having a great time. [They are] energetic, imaginative and very committed to the work."

He also explained that each actor and actress has put a lot of personality and character into their various roles.

"I feel privileged to be doing this musical because of its strong message that was perti-



HAIR cast members, Clay Nelms, Pam-Pam Rykwald and Kristen Wetherington strut their stuff in their *HAIR* costumes.

nent when the show opened. Ten years ago *Hair* was outdated, but is now once again compelling with all that is going on in the world," said Rob Bradford, junior professional acting major.

This musical will not only be a learning experience for the new age but will also be a recreation of the experiences of so many Americans that endured the hard times of Vietnam and the flower power age of the 1960s.

"I think *Hair* will reach people on a personal level. This is a show where the actors directly involve the audience and depend on that

ultimate connection between the two," said Clay Nelms, senior musical theater major.

This show is sure to be something you don't want to miss.

"I hope people will come and experience a joy-filled 2-3 hours with challenges. The whole musical is quite innocent and the points of view are very good-hearted and good-spirited," Shearin said.

Make sure to come out and support ECU Loessin Playhouse and the "Age of Aquarius."

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"I'm not busting on Ben, I'm just saying that Keith Harris, our lead actor, is awesome. Hopefully that'll be enough."

Whether the film is released nationwide, in limited-release or straight to DVD, Gill and Thompson definitely plan to screen the film for ECU students around the end of this semester or near the beginning of the spring semester. Thompson also said they plan to take *Chicks 101* on the film festival circuit.

"Any filmmaker's hope is to see his work projected on the [big] screen," Thompson said.

Even if the movie fails to bring a tremendous success, both are extremely proud of their work.

"It's definitely been a labor of love. It's been a fantastic experience across the board. With that being said, you got to balance

that part, I'm artistically fulfilled. Now whether or not that puts food on the plate or not is a whole different question," Gill said.

He also mentioned that it has been a tremendous learning experience, learning more in the past year and a half than his entire time in film school. Gill and Thompson, both under the umbrella of their production company The Gilder Frontier, plan many more collaborations and have other projects in the works.

When asked what advice they'd give to anyone interested in getting involved with the film industry, their answers were nearly identical.

"The film industry is not the type of industry that you stick your toe into the water to see if it's the right thing. You either

want to do it or you don't want to do it. Anyone that does it partially or half way, it's just not going to happen," Gill said.

Thompson whole-heartedly agreed.

"Don't give up on your dream. Don't be afraid of failure. Don't think that filmmaking is something that somebody else does. If that's what you want to do, then do it," Thompson said.

Gill pointed to himself as an example of this passion and dedication.

"A year and a half ago, I was a guy with a script and a dream," Gill said.

"Now I'm a guy with a movie and a dream."

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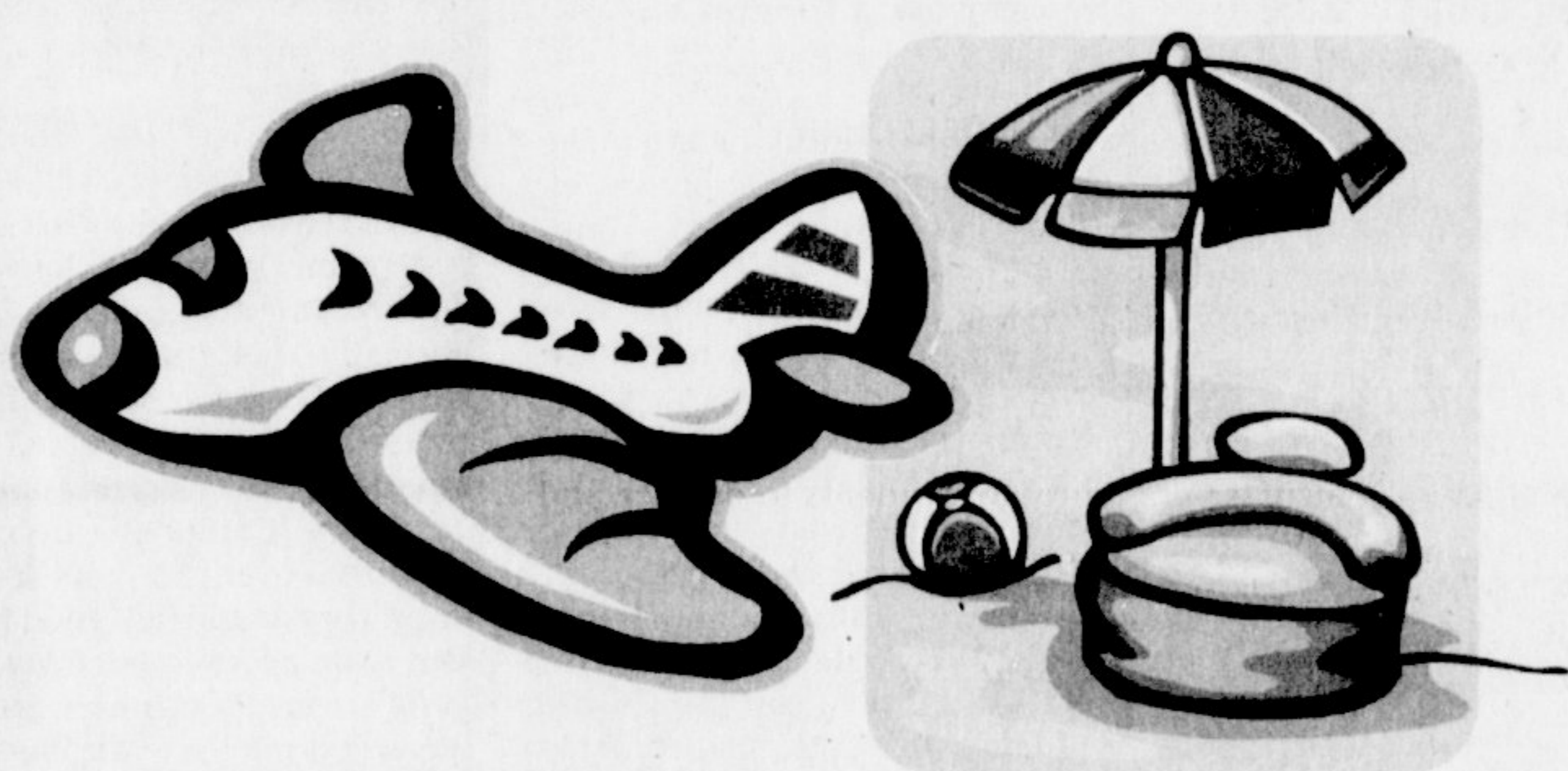
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Associated Press Top 25

No.	School	Record	Prev
1	USC	3-0	1
2	Oklahoma	3-0	2
3	Georgia	3-0	3
4	Miami (FL)	2-0	4
5	Texas	2-0	6
6	West Virginia	3-0	7
7	Ohio State	3-0	9
8	Florida State	1-1	8
9	Auburn	3-0	14
10	California	2-0	10
11	Tennessee	2-0	13
12	Virginia	3-0	12
13	LSU	2-1	5
14	Utah	3-0	15
15	Purdue	2-0	18
16	Florida	1-1	11
17	Fresno State	3-0	19
18	Michigan	2-1	17
19	Minnesota	3-0	22
20	Wisconsin	3-0	20
21	Boise State	3-0	23
22	Arizona St.	3-0	NR
23	Maryland	2-1	21
24	Louisville	2-0	24
25	Ok. State	3-0	NR

Others Receiving Votes: Notre Dame 89, Memphis 78, Iowa 66, Kansas St. 46, Southern Miss. 34, Missouri 33, Virginia Tech 29, Alabama 23, Colorado 23, Boston College 19, Arkansas 9, Georgia Tech 4, South Carolina 4, UCLA 1

Coaches Poll

No.	School	Record	Previous
1	USC	3-0	1
2	Oklahoma	3-0	2
3	Georgia	3-0	3
4	Miami (FL)	2-0	5
5	Texas	2-0	6
6	Ohio State	3-0	7
7	West Virginia	3-0	8
8	Tennessee	2-0	13
9	California	2-0	10
10	Auburn	3-0	15
11	Florida State	1-1	11
12	Virginia	3-0	16
13	LSU	2-1	4
14	Utah	3-0	14
15	Purdue	2-0	18
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17	Fresno State	3-0	20
18	Michigan	2-1	17
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20	Wisconsin	3-0	21
21	Boise State	3-0	23
22	Louisville	2-0	24
23	Maryland	2-1	19
24	Iowa	2-1	12
25	Oklahoma State	3-0	NR

Others Receiving Votes: Arizona State 79, Virginia Tech 73, Memphis 66, Notre Dame 54, Kansas State 52, Missouri 37, Colorado 35, Boston College 30, Alabama 26, Nebraska 11, Southern Mississippi 11, Arkansas 8, North Carolina State 8, Texas Tech 8, Bowling Green 5, Clemson 4, South Carolina 3, Texas A&M 3, Stanford 2, Oregon 1, UCLA 1.

Conference USA Scoreboard

UAB 7, Florida St 34
South Carolina 34, USF 3
Texas Tech 70, TCU 35
Louisville at Tulane, postponed
Houston 35, Army 21
Cincinnati 7, Syracuse 19
Memphis 47, Arkansas St 35

This Day in Sports

1985 - Montana State's David Pandt catches 21 passes for 169 yards against Eastern Washington to set an NCAA record.

1986 - Ken O'Brien's 43-yard touchdown pass to Wesley Walker at 2:35 in overtime ends one of the highest-scoring games in NFL history as the New York Jets defeat the Miami Dolphins 51-45. O'Brien passes for 479 yards and four touchdowns, all to Walker. Miami's Dan Marino passes for 448 yards and three touchdowns, and the two quarterbacks set a record with a combined 884 yards passing.

1994 - The North Carolina women's soccer team wins its 89th straight game, setting the unofficial record for the longest winning streak in college sports. The 5-1 victory over rival NC State broke the mark of 88 in a row set by the UCLA men's basketball team during the early 1970s.

Pirates blank UNCA at home

Pope earns first shutout as keeper this season

KYLE ROGERSON
STAFF WRITER

The Pirates came into Sunday looking to avenge one in-state loss with another as they took on the Bulldogs of UNC Asheville. ECU came away with the win as they drubbed UNCA in a 3-0 shutout.

Terron Amos scored his seventh goal of the season and teammates Rob Cann and Mike Crowley also added one score each. Sophomore goalkeeper Brian Pope earned his first shutout of the year and it's ECU's second team shutout of the season. The Pirates out-shot the Bulldogs 11-4 and improve to an even 3-3.

"I was very happy with how we played today," said Head Coach Michael Benn.

"We had to get back to what we wanted to do. We had to get back to being more disciplined and do what we need to do to be successful and I thought we executed very well today."

Pope played very well throughout the entire game and made many goal-saving plays coming off the line and intercepting UNCA passes. Several times throughout the game, the Bulldogs would attack the wings and cross the ball to the middle of the field where a



Terron Amos has been huge for the Pirates on the offensive side of the ball, scoring at least one goal in every game so far this season. Amos added his seventh goal in six games this past Sunday against the UNC Asheville Bulldogs.

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Troxler steps in net for ECU Lady Pirates denied in C of C Invitational

ECU Volleyball drops under .500 for season

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The ECU Volleyball team had a bad taste in their mouth last Friday as they headed into the College of Charleston Invitational in Charleston, SC. They had just come off a road defeat to NC State previously in the week, three games to one. The Lady Pirates had also come up short in their last two tournaments and didn't want to repeat their pattern last weekend.

The invitational opened up last Friday with ECU facing Duke. The Lady Blue Devils came out strong, defeating ECU in three straight games, 30-16, 30-11 and 30-21. Duke improved their record to 7-2 with the win, as the Lady Pirates fell to 5-6 on the year.

In ECU's second game of the invitational, they faced host College of Charleston. Despite leading the match in blocks with 11, defense wasn't quite enough to put away a strong C of C team. The Lady Cougars were able to out hit ECU .317 - .90 and go on to sweep

the series 30-26, 18, 30-20.

With one game left in the invitational, the Lady Pirates were still looking for their first win as they faced Georgia State. Freshman Mignon Mubonien was able to step up in ECU's final match, posting a career and match high of 15 kills as they went on to defeat Georgia State in four games 30-27, 30, 30-24, 20-19. ECU was able to out hit Georgia State .252 189 in the victory.

With their performance in the C of C Invitational, the Lady Pirates' record now stands at 6-7. The invitational also marks the last games of their away schedule. ECU was only able to win two of their seven games on the road. Fortunately for the Lady Pirates, they will be given a week off to recuperate before home action continues this Friday.

ECU will face William and Mary in a home game Sept. 24 at 7 p.m. in Williams Area at Minges Coliseum. The Lady Pirates will then continue with another home game next Friday as they face Campbell.

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The ECU women had a dismal weekend at home, tying Campbell and losing to VCU.

Women's soccer hopes backup can spur defense

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With a struggling defense, backup goalkeeper Lindsy Troxler got her first start in net this season for the women's soccer team. Her mission would be to stop Campbell as they attacked her with an aggressive style of soccer Friday in Greenville.

In the 15th minute, Troxler would get some help. After a free kick, junior Megan McCallion darted through three Campbell defenders before firing it past the Campbell keeper. The goal would give Troxler some cushion, but meant the attack on her would be even stronger.

Within nine minutes, the game was tied. Troxler would also give up the second Campbell goal off a rebound later in the game.

There was nothing Troxler could do but make good saves and hope her team would come through. Rachel Hills provided that hope as she scored what would be the game tying goal in the 56th minute of play. The goal

came off of a corner kick, which was set perfectly by Melissa Penny and led to Hills' header into the net. The game finished tied, as the Pirates went to 2-3-1 for the season.

Head Coach Rob Donnenwirth felt the team started well but backed off and allowed Campbell to sneak back in the game. "We came out pretty well but basically took our foot off the gas pedal once we scored and let them back into the game," said Donnenwirth.

"They [Campbell] are much improved over the years and we knew they would be a good team. Our team needs to put together a good strong 90 minutes, and we haven't done that yet. We show what we are capable of in segments, just not the full time."

The weekend was far from over after Campbell, and it didn't end on a positive note. A strong Virginia Commonwealth team came into Greenville Sunday in an attempt to blemish the Pirates' home record.

Troxler would get the start in net again and saw only seven shots come her way while the Pirates fired eight toward the Rams' keeper.

One of those seven shots came on a breakaway, as Rams' forward Jen Parsons broke free with 25 yards of nothing but grass and Troxler in her way of scoring. She blasted a shot just out of reach, and the Rams took the early lead.

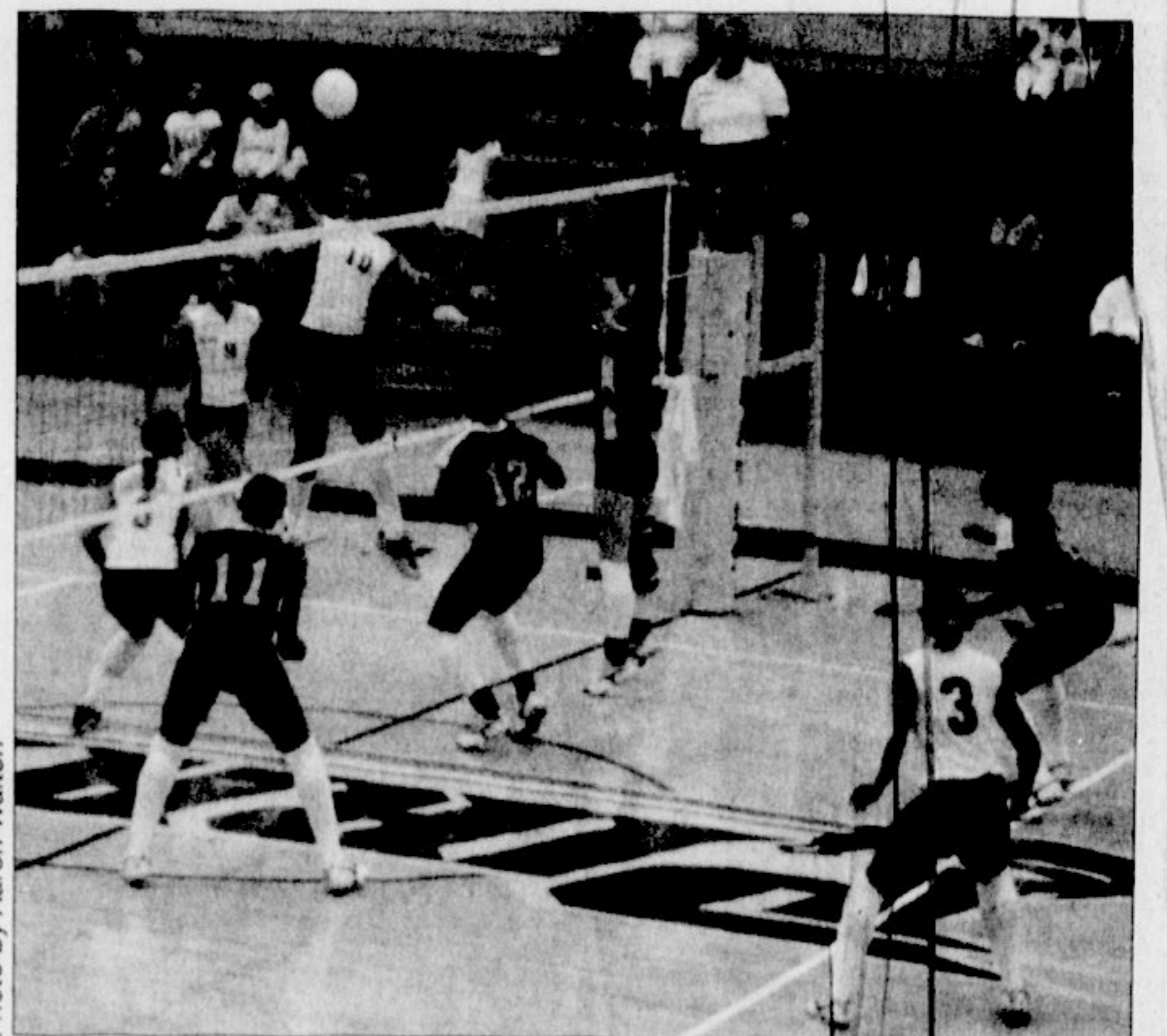
It would prove to be the game winner before the Rams added two more goals. The Pirates nearly netted goals on several occasions, but couldn't find the back of the net in the end and were shutout, 3-0.

Unlike the game against Campbell, the Lady Pirates didn't start the game well and Donnenwirth felt that hurt his team. "VCU is a really good team," Donnenwirth said.

"We got outworked in the beginning of the game, we didn't start the way we wanted to. I thought we turned it around and then gave up two soft goals. The second goal really hurt, right at the end of the half. You can't spot a team like that 2 goals and expect to win."

The Pirates start Conference-USA play this weekend with a match in Charlotte against the 49ers and will head west to Western Carolina for a Sunday afternoon game.

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Volleyball dropped two of three matches in Charleston, SC.

NFL Recap: Sloppy Sunday marks week two games

Panthers, Colts grab big wins on the road

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The parody in the NFL shone through as week two came to a close. Upsets were abound as the Bears sacked the Pack in Green Bay, the Giants delivered Joe Gibbs his first loss in 12 years and Michael Vick ran over the porous St. Louis defense. Unlikely

teams like Detroit, Jacksonville and Atlanta survived to remain unbeaten, while heavyweights New England and Seattle did the same. Records were also broken. Jerry Rice did not catch a pass for the first time since 405 BC, New England won its 17th straight and Carolina snapped Kansas City's 13-game home regular season winning streak.

Colbert fills in for Smith against KC
Carolina needed players to step up to replace Stephen Davis

and Steve Smith. Deshaun Foster and Keary Colbert did just that in a 28-17 road win against Kansas City. All Foster did was have a career day. Foster ran for a career high 174 yards, including a club record 71-yard bolt.

Colbert, a rookie wide receiver out of USC, started his first NFL game. Colbert finished with three receptions for 43 yards and a touchdown.

Kansas City started off the 2003-2004 season with nine straight wins, but found them-

selves in a hole to start this season. New defensive coordinator Gunther Cunningham was supposed to help sure up the defensive problems, but the defense is as bad as it was last year. Kansas City's offense looks nothing like it did last year as Trent Green only threw for 187 yards.

Indianapolis shocks Titans at home

Indianapolis was in desperate need of a win coming off a tough loss in Foxboro to start

the season. It came in the shape of a Nick Cater fourth quarter interception in the end zone en route to a 31-7 road win against Tennessee. Cater took the ball out of receiver Derick Mason's hands on a 4th-and-2 attempt.

Peyton Manning threw for 254 yards and two touchdowns while tailback Algerin James ran for another 14 yards and two scores. Dominated through the majority of the game, the Colts

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Disc Golf returns for first time since 1997

Jernigan wins ECU tourney by one stroke

BRANDI RENFRO
STAFF WRITER

ECU hasn't held a disc golf tournament since 1997, but due to the rise in popularity in sports, ECU decided to host its second ever disc golf tournament. The course consisted of 71 holes with varying degrees of difficulty. Robert Leonard, president of ECU's Disc Golf Club, hosted the tournament, which was a two-day event that began Saturday, Sept. 18 and ended Sunday, Sept. 19. The tournament began at 10 a.m. on Saturday and lasted until 4 p.m. on Sunday.

Sixty-one people were involved in the tourney, and many of those were world-renowned disc golf champions. Some of the big names that participated in the event were Justin Jernigan, the 2004 amateur world champion, and Brian Schweberger, who is ranked 21st in the world.

Jernigan won the Pro division of the tournament with a score of 37 under par; he received around \$200 for winning the tournament. Mike Hofmann came in second place with a score of 36 under par, and he received approximately \$115. Schweberger finished in third place with a score of 35 under par and received a little less than \$100, but also received \$140 extra for skins play.

Although the weather was not ideal for disc golf, the players pressed on and continued playing through the sporadic rain showers and heightened winds. "It wasn't that big of a problem for me, but it was sort of a problem for others," said Jernigan.

Other divisions that competed in the tournament were the men's and women's intermediate division and the recreational division. PJ Evans took the men's intermediate, while Monica Livingston won the women's, and Josh Ferguson was victorious in the recreational division.

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Mike Hofmann makes his putt during the tournament this past weekend. He finished second overall in the pro division.

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stormed into contentions and scored 21 points in the fourth quarter to secure the win.

Chris Brown, who replaced the departed Eddie George, had a career day for the Titans in rushing 152 yards and a touchdown. Steve McNair also had a big day in throwing 273 yards.

G-men stun Gibbs and the 'Skins

Washington was apparently in a giving mood Sunday afternoon as they committed an unheard of seven turnovers against New York. The Giants took advantage by giving Head Coach Tom Coughlin his first win in New York, 20-14. Coughlin has had to deal with some rumblings from his players that he is too tough, but answered his critics handing Joe Gibbs his first regular season loss since rejoining the Redskins.

The Redskins lost three fumbles and threw another four interceptions. On one of the turnovers, Giant linebacker Barrett Green rumbled 16 yards for a score.

Kurt Warner, who received heat after a dismal performance last week, played well, throwing 232 yards. Washington QB Mark Brunell left the game with a hamstring pull in the third quarter and didn't return.

Brown clutch once again for Da' Bears

Lovie Smith completed his No. 1 goal as head coach of the Chicago Bears. Smith's Bears earned a 21-10 road win against the Packers. Mike Brown had a 95-yard fumble return for a touchdown. Thomas Jones ran 152 yards for the Bears.

Harrington, Williams smoke Texans

Detroit has an answer for Charles Rogers, who went down with a season ending injury last week. Enter rookie Roy Williams. Williams caught four balls, 73 yards and two touchdowns on the way to a 28-16 home win against the Texans. David Carr threw 313 yards in the loss.

Ravens put clamps on Steelers

Ray Lewis and the Baltimore Raven defense helped to shut down Pittsburgh in a 30-13 romp at home. Rookie Pittsburgh QB Ben Roethlisberger replaced Tommy Maddox, who suffered an elbow injury. Deion Sanders left the game with a hamstring injury and didn't return.

Vick solid against Rams

Michael Vick is back. He ran 109 yards and passed 179 en route to a 34-17 win against the Rams. It was Vick's third game in which he ran more than 100 yards and passed another 100. St. Louis QB Marc Bulger is just 5-5 on the road.

Saints win shootout in Big Easy

The New Orleans offense showed up at home. Aaron Brooks threw 279 yards in a 30-27 shoot out against San



Rookie receiver Keary Colbert made an impression in his first NFL start, catching three passes for 43 yards and a touchdown. The Panthers finished off the Chiefs by a score of 28-17.

Francisco. Donte Stallworth was on the receiving end of 113 yards and a late touchdown to secure the win. Deuce McAllister left the game and didn't return.

Leftwich leads another upset

The Jacksonville defense helped secure their second improbable win in as many weeks. The Jaguars are one of only six unbeaten teams with a 7-6 win against the Broncos. Denver RB Quentin Griffin fumbled on the Jaguar 23-yard line with only 30 seconds to play.

Seattle puts Tampa in 0-2 hole

Tampa Bay QB Chris Simms threw a controversial interception late in the fourth quarter to give Seattle a 10-6 win. Simms, who replaced Brad Johnson, threw 175 yards. However, the Marcus Trufant interception late sealed the deal for the winless Bucs.

"My Favorite Martin" has another great Sunday

Chad Pennington and Curtis Martin both had big days for Herman Edwards's team. The NY Jets stayed unbeaten in grabbing a 34-28 road win against San Diego. Pennington threw 258 yards while Martin rushed for 119 yards. San Diego QB Drew Brees was pulled after sustaining a concussion and had a heated exchange with Head Coach Marty Schottenheimer.

One streak begins as another ends in Oakland

Jerry Rice didn't make a catch. What? Come again? For the first time in 274 games, Jerry Rice didn't record a reception. He wasn't happy about it



Manning and McNair shake hands after the Colts' victory.

either. Rice threw his helmet at a metal bench and punted the 30-yard marker. Oh yeah, the Raiders won at home 13-10 against Buffalo.

New England keeps streak alive

The Patriots won their 17th straight game and are now one win away from tying the all-time record. The Pats will get their chance next week at lowly Buffalo. Tom Brady threw for 217 yards and Corey Dillon ran 158 in a 23-12 victory against the Cardinals.

Sloppy second half in Dallas

Interceptions were the fad in the second half. Both starting QB's threw three each, but the Cowboys survived 19-12 on 40-year-old Vinny Testaverde's 322 yards. Cleveland's warrior-rookie TE Kellan Winslow suffered a

broken leg and will be out six to eight weeks.

Cincy defense comes out on top at home

Carson Palmer's debut as a starting QB in Cincinnati turned out to be a good one as the Bengals won 16-13. Palmer orchestrated a two-minute drill to perfection as Shayne Graham knocked through the winning field goal with just two seconds remaining. AJ Feeley started for the Dolphins and threw 218 yards. It was the first night game for the Bengals since 1997 and there was a sellout crowd on hand at Paul Brown Stadium for the first time since Thomas Edison invented the light bulb.

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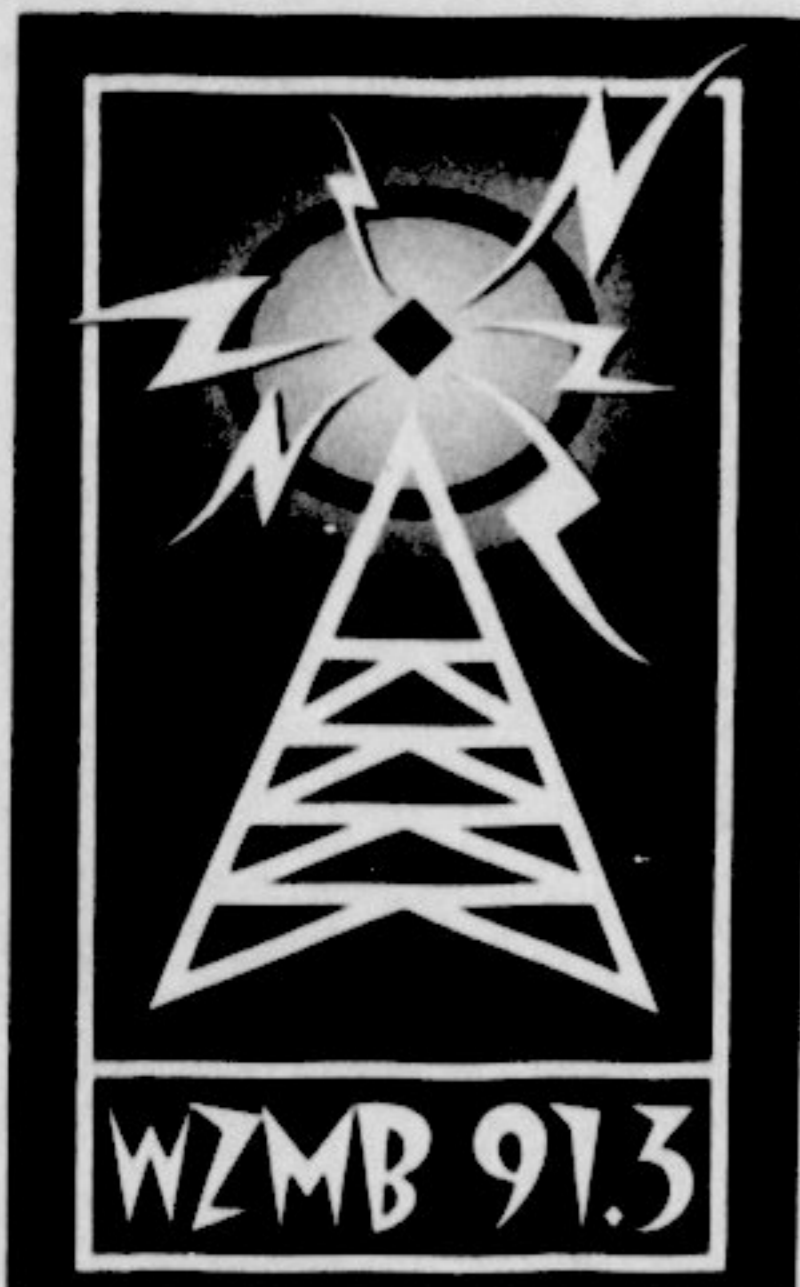
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UNCA forward could smash an open shot on net. Pope never allowed this to happen during the game as he made a few spectacular plays, disrupting UNCA's offensive flow and not allowing quality shots on net.

"Brian [Pope] had his best game of the year today," Benn said.

"He had outstanding control of his box, he knew what he was doing, his communication was good, he had an all-around great game today; there's nothing I would have changed about his performance today."

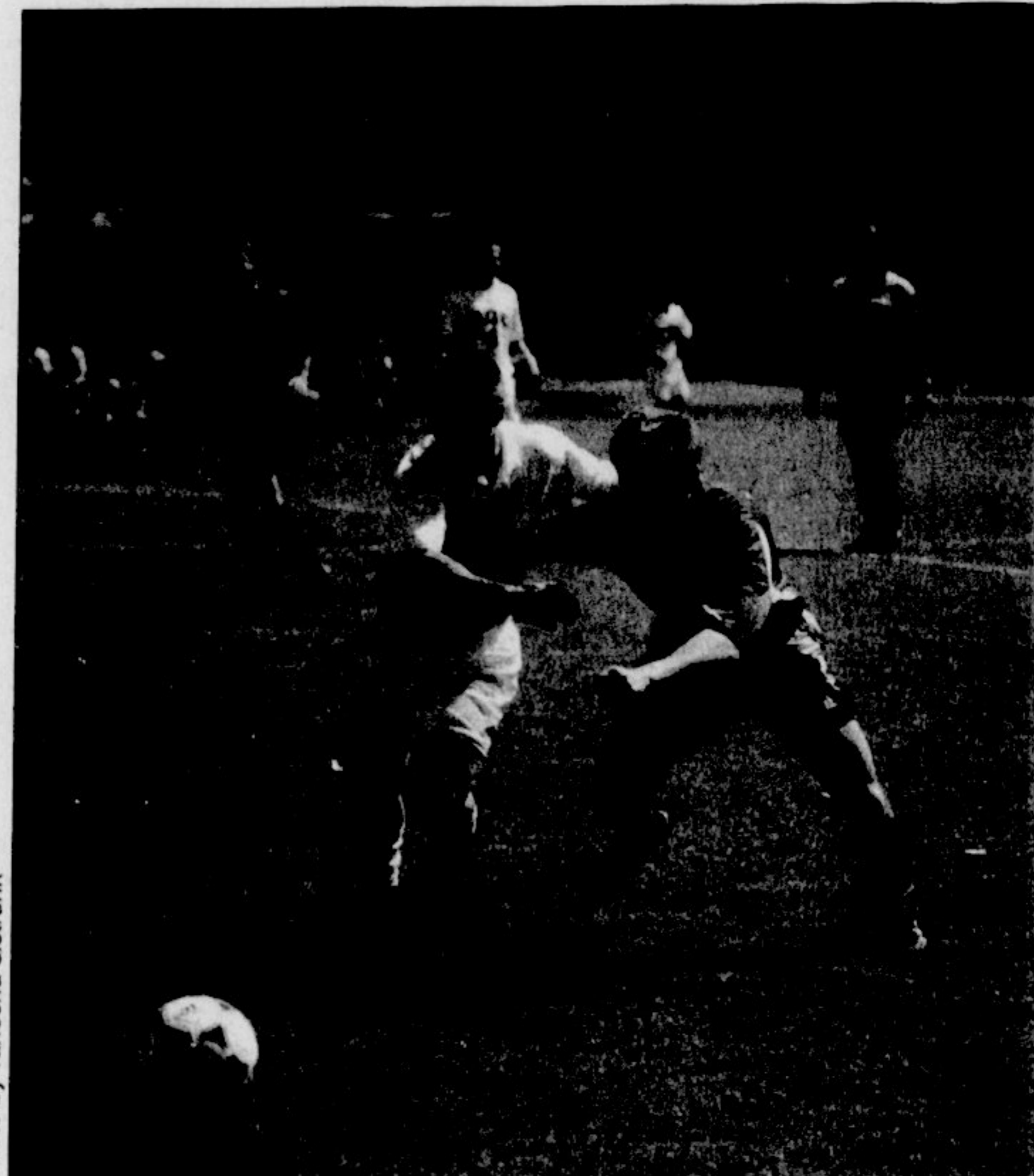
Amos scored his team-leading seventh goal on a fast break during the 11th minute of play. Amos blasted a shot to the far post over UNCA keeper Ben Saylor and put ECU up 1-0.

Crowley scored his first career goal on a beautiful cross from Michael Logan. Logan lobbed the ball in from the far left side, barely over a Bulldog defender, and Crowley took one touch of the ball and hammered it home to give ECU a 2-0 lead.

However, that wasn't the end of Crowley's contribution to the team.

In the closing minutes of the second half, two UNCA defenders surrounded Crowley in the far left corner in Bulldogs territory. Crowley turned and kicked the ball off of one defender, giving the Pirates a corner kick.

The ECU midfielder then blasted the corner kick to the far right of the goal where J.W. Gallagher headed the ball down in a crowd of UNCA defenders. The left-footed Cann, who normally



The Pirates will take on an unbeaten Duke team this week.

plays back as a defenseman, took the ball off a low bounce after Gallagher headed it and pounded it perfectly into the right side netting.

The Pirates will travel to Durham this week to take on a Duke team that hasn't allowed a goal in its first seven games this year. Coach Benn is aware of the challenge the Blue Devils presents but figures this Wednesday is as good of a time as any for a team to score on


Duke. "I've had the opportunity to watch them [Duke] twice this year," Benn said.

"They're a good soccer team. They haven't given up a goal yet this year and they're 7-0. But someone is going to score on them this year; someone is going to beat them this year, so it might as well be us."

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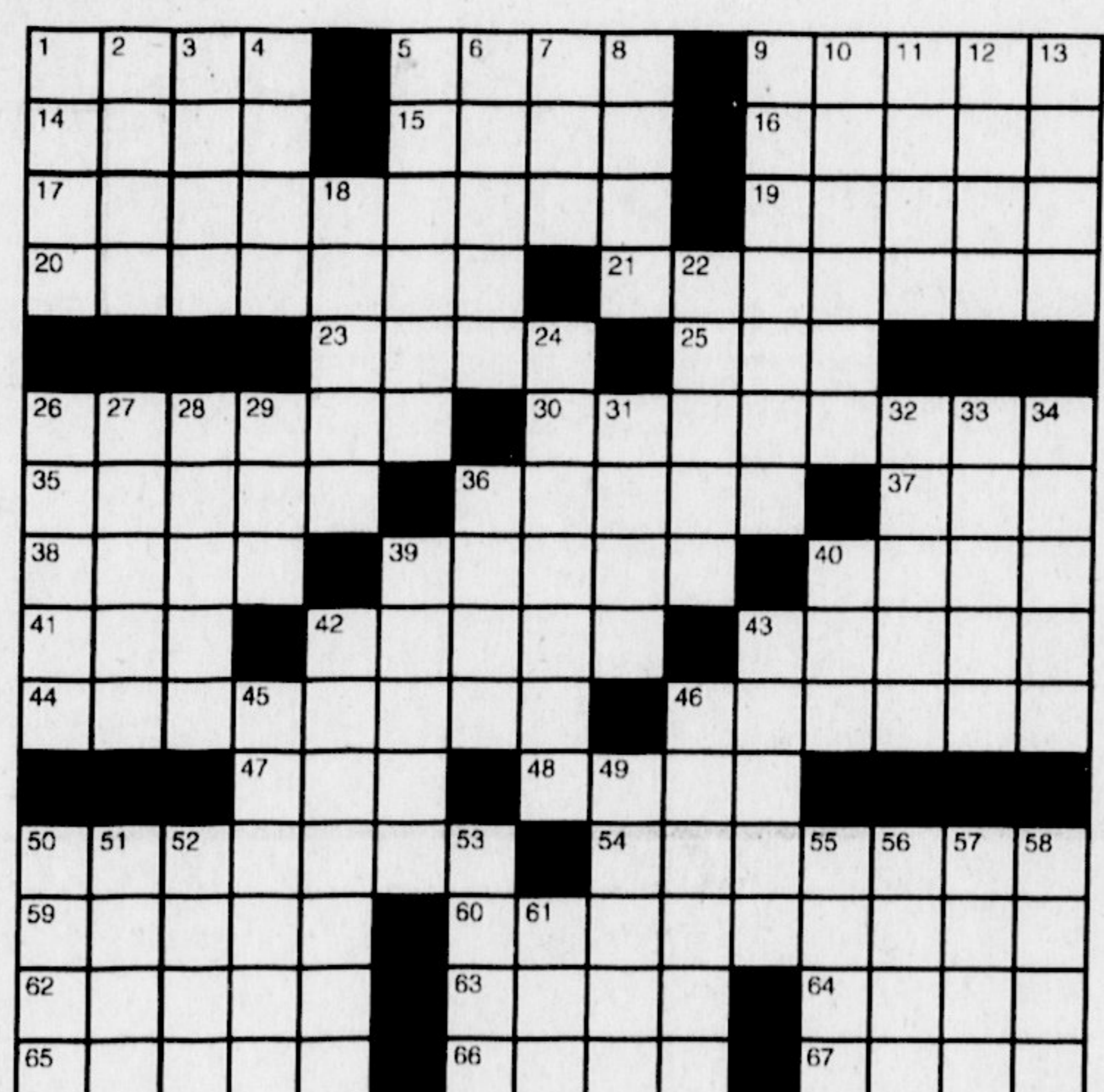
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Crossword

- ACROSS**
- Boomers aloft
 - Actress Theda
 - Enraged
 - Actress Flynn Boyle
 - "Nine Heavens" poet Khosrow
 - Annoyed
 - Close up against
 - Imitating
 - Seasoned performer
 - General pardon
 - Moises or Felipe
 - Eureka!
 - Feature
 - Rich dessert
 - Adder, e.g.
 - Steps over a fence
 - Boxing letters
 - Tortoise's competitor
 - Trope on the move
 - Voucher
 - Small newt
 - Hawkins Day
 - Alan Ladd film
 - Anxious expectation
 - Cake coverings
 - Squid fluid
 - Venetian magistrate
 - Set free
 - Meet by chance
 - Put forth effort
 - Three under par
 - Dance music
 - Means of checking
 - Iridescent gem
 - Playful marine mammal
 - Pocket bread
 - Sleuth Wolfe



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Solutions

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|---------------------------|---------------------|--------------------|
| 7 Exercise | 46 Large lizard | 56 Slangy negative |
| 8 Region | 49 Satellite's path | 50 Newly decorate |
| 9 Scott hero | 51 Way out | 52 For fear that |
| 10 Revoke formally | 52 Forum honcho | 53 Lawman Wyatt |
| 11 Allies' WWII opponent | 43 Aroma | 55 Press |
| 12 Camp shelter | 45 Puncture | |
| 13 Tense | | |
| 18 Elegant beauty | | |
| 22 Syrup source | | |
| 24 Not tested | | |
| 26 Fire residue | | |
| 27 Confused circumstances | | |
| 28 Components | | |
| 29 Barely manage | | |
| 31 Assistant | | |
| 32 Coen brother | | |
| 33 Giving a thumbs-up to | | |
| 34 Units of music | | |
| 36 Puts in a new lawn | | |
| 39 Actor Tom | | |
| 40 Greek letter | | |
| 42 Forum honcho | | |
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YOU'RE MORE!

COOL! WELCOME TO THE CAMPAIGN.

THAT'S IT? NO QUESTIONS OR BACKGROUND CHECKS? WHAT IF I'M A TERRORIST?

WELL, ARE YOU A TERRORIST?

WELL NO...

WELL OKAY THEN! THERE'S A SHIRT. HAPPY NOW?

I GUESS SO, BUT ONLY BECAUSE I NEED SOME CLEAN CLOTHES LIKE YOU WOULDN'T BELIEVE.

CAPTAIN RIBMAN in "Gimme An 'R'!"

WHAT'S ON TV?

A SPECIAL ON CHEER LEADING.

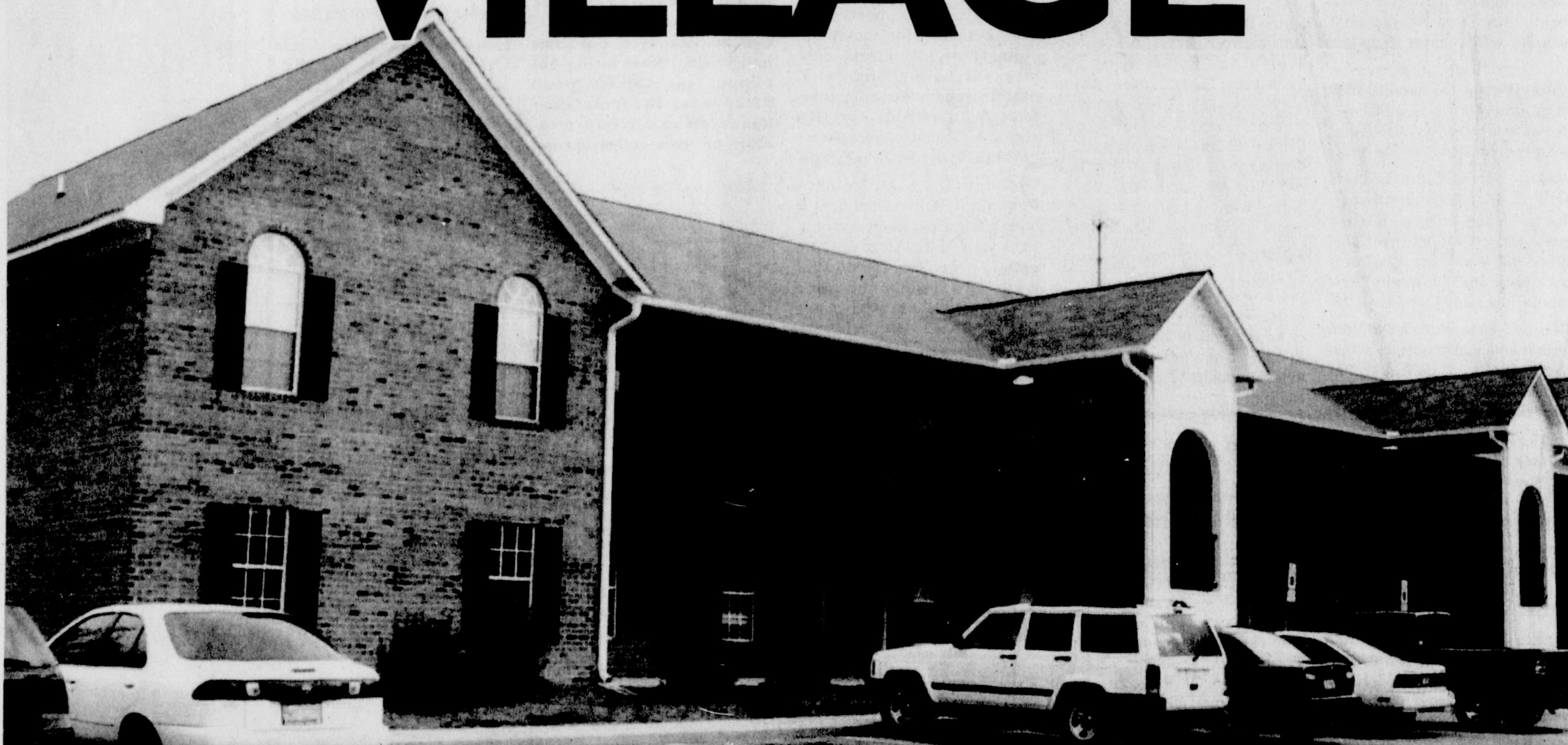
I'LL BET THERE'S SOME REALLY PRETTY GIRLS ON THAT SHOW!

ARNOLD SCHWARZENEGGER AND RUDY GIULIANI ARE MORE "CUTE" THAN "PRETTY."

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