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How East Carolina's long love for fine arts shapes creative minds

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The dining halls on campus serve roughly 14,000 all-you-can-eat meals daily. A popular breakfast option is packing a sandwich and some fruit for a brown-bag lunch.

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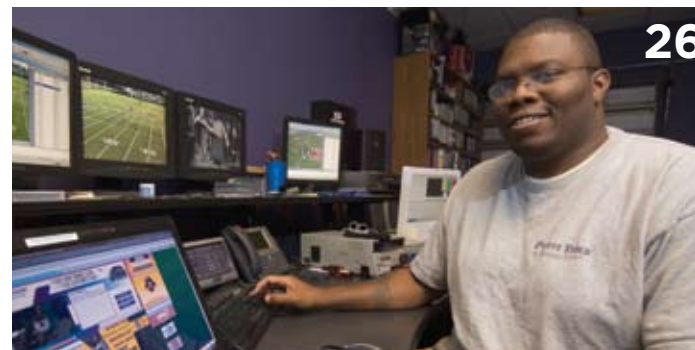
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Growing, growing. . .grown?

In all likelihood, the most surprising thing you will read in this issue of the magazine is the story on page 6 that says East Carolina's fall semester enrollment is just a few students shy of 26,000. I'm sure that's a shocking number to many alumni who remember a campus half that size. How did ECU get so big so fast?

Some reasons are as obvious as the six new or renovated academic buildings paid for with \$190 million from the state's higher education bond issue. Over the past three or four years, several housing, dining and administrative buildings also went up, paid for with student fees, private gifts and other state funds. On its three campuses, East Carolina grew to 5.9 million square feet of space in 227 buildings. If you haven't been on campus in a few years, you should come see how it's changed.

ECU's widely acclaimed distance education program also has fueled the enrollment growth. The university has more than 4,000 students completing degrees through a mix of online and traditional classes. Good examples are the hundreds of future classroom teachers who spend two years studying at their local community college and then complete an ECU degree with two years of online and occasional seat classes, all while keeping their day jobs. While its online students don't clog the transit buses, the university still must maintain staff and faculty to serve them like everyone else.

East Carolina's phenomenal growth reflects policy decisions by the UNC Board of Governors. Hearing predictions that North Carolina's population would explode by nearly a million residents within a decade, the board in 2000 adopted a plan directing most of the 16 campuses to grow as fast, but as cheaply, as possible. Updated in 2004, the plan anticipated that ECU would grow from 18,750 students then to 24,600 in 2007, a mark we hit a year early.

Will ECU get even bigger? Will we, as I overheard someone predict the other day, have more students than UNC Chapel Hill in a few years? All the UNC campuses have seen steady growth in enrollments but ECU has been the fastest growing for six years running. So the enrollment difference between ECU and Carolina has narrowed significantly, from around 6,000 in 2000 to about 2,200 today. (N.C. State, the biggest, has more than 31,000 students.)

But officials say ECU now has about reached maximum capacity. All the new academic buildings funded by the state bond issue are full to bursting. No new dorms or dining halls are on the drawing board. The central campus is landlocked.

We hear so often about the mandate for our public universities to provide greater access to higher education, which is a noble but fuzzy concept that's hard to grasp. Come stand on the ECU campus, at the 11 o'clock class change, and you will see it.



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PIRATES BOOSTING BUSINESS

Thank you for the recent article highlighting the strong positive influence East Carolina has on the region. Economic development is a fast-paced, competitive business, and my training and connections from ECU have been an asset. I would like to point out to your readers that there are a number of alumni statewide who hold positions of leadership in business recruitment, including at least 18 members of the N.C. Economic Developers Association. I handle recruitment and retention in Statesville and another Pirate, Melanie O'Connell-Underwood '84, does the same in Mooresville.

—C. Michael Smith '86 '90, Statesville

Here's the list Michael provided of other Pirates who work in economic development in the state: Kelly Andrews, Pitt County Economic Development Commission; Doug Byrd, N.C. Department of Commerce; George Collier, Department of Commerce; John Gurganus, Bill Stephenson and Johnny Rogers, all Department of Commerce (retired); Charles Hayes, Research Triangle Regional Partnership; Alan Jones, CRB Engineers; Tiffany McNeill, Department of Commerce; Jerry O'Keefe, PSNC Energy; Lisa Perry, economic development consultant; Donna Phillips, Department of Commerce; Mark Pope, Lenoir County Economic Development Commission; Richard Roberson, Department of Commerce; James L.F. Smith, Four County Electric Membership Corp.; Tom Thompson, Beaufort County Economic Development Commission; Conni Tucker, Wake County Economic Development Commission; Jim Ward, Martin County Economic Development Commission; and Wanda Yubas, Pitt County Economic Development Commission.

WHAT DEFINES A UNIVERSITY?

If the statement attributed to Chancellor Steve Ballard [that] economic development "must define the soul of a university. It must define our success" truly represents his philosophy of a university's soul, then I

think he is better suited for leadership of a technical school rather than a university. I always thought the soul of a true university resided in the quest for knowledge and scholarship. Professors of philosophy and the fine arts must be feeling a little uncomfortable if they read this quote.

—Gil Burroughs, Edenton



WE DID BEAT STATE IN '72

I look forward to getting *East* magazine, as it keeps me up to date on ECU. However, I must correct Bethany Bradsher's article *Family Feud* (on the football rivalry with N.C. State). I played football for ECU for the '70 and '71 seasons. In the second game of the State series, Oct. 23, 1971, we beat N.C. State 31-15. Not "six years after that 23-6 defeat," of 1970, as stated in the article. It was a great win, as it was the first time ECU had beaten an ACC school in football. The players of '70 and '71 were there at the beginning of this great rivalry, and truly understand the intensity of it.

—Paul E. Haug '70, Cedar Hill, Mo.

Paul retired in 2003 after coaching football and basketball at Northwest High School for 29 years. Cedar Hill is a suburb of St. Louis. The error he cites was caused during the editing process, not by the writer.

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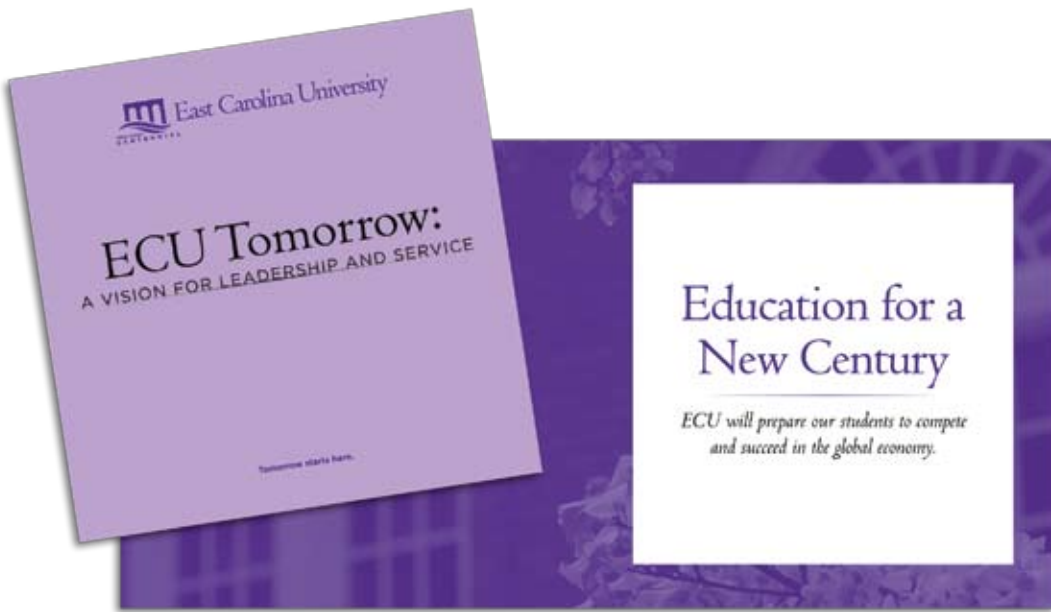
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ECU adopts a new vision

East Carolina has adopted a strategic plan that will guide it into its next century of service, and the university invites all alumni and friends to read the booklet. Your copy of *ECU Tomorrow: A Vision for Leadership and Service* was mailed with this issue of *East*.

In addition to reflecting key values and projecting a vision that is appropriate to this moment in East Carolina's history, *ECU Tomorrow* lays out five strategic directions intended to guide the university as it begins its next century:

EDUCATION FOR A NEW CENTURY—ECU will prepare our students to compete and succeed in the global, technology-driven economy.

THE LEADERSHIP UNIVERSITY—ECU will distinguish itself by the ability to train and prepare leaders for tomorrow for the east, for North Carolina and for our nation.

ECONOMIC PROSPERITY—ECU will create a strong and sustainable future for eastern North Carolina through education, innovation, investment and outreach.

HEALTH CARE AND MEDICAL INNOVATION—ECU will save lives, cure diseases, and transform the quality of health care for the region and the state.

THE ARTS, CULTURE AND THE QUALITY OF LIFE—ECU will provide world-class entertainment, culture and performing arts to enhance the quality of our lives.

According to Chancellor Steve Ballard, “These five strategic directions represent great strengths of ECU, opportunity for growth and, most importantly, they all have positive impacts for our citizens.”

Executing the plan will depend upon the support of private donors. With that in mind, the university is preparing to announce a major fund-raising campaign in March 2008.

Another Doogie Howser?

If it weren't for the lab coat and the stethoscope around his neck, you might mistake James Smith Jr. '07 for one of the thousands of undergraduate students on campus. He certainly looks like one. But he's already graduated from college and is well into his first year of medical school. In fact, he is the second-youngest student ever accepted by the Brody School of Medicine and missed holding the all-time record by two months.

“It is a privilege to be enrolled here no matter what my age,” says Smith, who was 20 years, 10 months and 14 days old when he matriculated at Brody after completing a biology degree in three years. According to university records, the youngest-ever Brody student—the Doogie Howser of Greenville—is Joseph E. Beshay '97 '01, who was 20 years, 8 months and 6 days old when he matriculated. In its 35-year history, only six Brody students had not yet turned 21 when they entered medical school.

Smith comes from a family of medical professionals. His grandfather, father and aunt are pharmacists, and one of his grandmothers is a nurse. He was inspired by their service: “They all have a common goal to work closely with others to improve their quality of life, and through years of observation and their nurturing, I have developed a deep compassion to use my talents to help others.”



James Smith Jr.

He became a certified nursing assistant in high school in Fayetteville and started shadowing Dr. Carol Wadon, a neurosurgeon at Cape Fear Medical Center, during his senior year. If Wadon had to perform emergency surgery in the middle of the night, she called Smith to observe. She quizzed him on patients' conditions and included him in the diagnoses. Smith was hooked. “Having the opportunity to observe first-hand the miracle of medicine has been one of the most positive impacts on pursuing a career in medicine,” he says.

Going far so fast in higher education isn't that hard, Smith says. “Time management is everything, and putting school first is a must. If you study a little bit every day, then you have all the time in the world for a few extracurricular activities.”

Reached at the University of Texas Southwestern Medical School in Dallas, where he is a resident, Beshay said his age wasn't a problem during his years at Brody. “I recall some of my classmates thought it was amusing that I turned ‘legal’ during my first year of medical school, but it was never a hindrance.”

Beshay said his early start in medicine worked to his advantage in one respect. “I decided to switch gears by switching specialties after my internship. I switched from internal medicine, a three-year residency, to neurosurgery, a seven-year residency. I'm no older than my classmates despite the switch and will finish at a reasonable age. The education I received at Brody was superb, and it prepared me well for residency.”

Beshay and Smith agree that the doctor's age shouldn't be a factor in the quality of care a patient receives. “Patients want a physician who is knowledgeable and caring regardless of their age,” Beshay says.

—Leanne E. Smith



You be the doctor

He's learned to use a hypodermic needle to inject himself with saline and watched high-intensity beams destroy a brain tumor, but Jim Westmoreland isn't a medical student. He's participating in ECU's Mini-Med School in which the Brody School of Medicine throws open its doors to the community. About 100 business and civic leaders, government officials and the plain curious are exposed to the world of doctoring, taking them from bedside manner to bioethics in only six weeks.

Westmoreland said he's experienced some things he expected, like lectures on cancer, stroke and heart disease and discussions on medical ethics. There were some unexpected moments, too, such as hearing doctors make jokes about each other.

“I was impressed with the science, with their knowledge and with their personal skill,” he said of the presenters, who included some of the medical school's most accomplished physicians. “The Mini-Med School gives us a chance, in a really short time, to better

understand the life-saving medical care that comes from real human beings.”

Although he works for the university as associate dean for external affairs in the College of Business, Westmoreland wanted to learn more about what was taking place at the medical campus—and was amazed. “It was unlike anything I had ever seen before,” he said. “It was encouraging to see the advancements being made, many of them unique to our medical school.”

That kind of response wouldn't surprise Kathy Kolasa, a professor of nutrition and education section head for the family medicine and pediatrics departments, who served as program co-director, along with Virginia Hardy, senior associate dean for academic affairs at the Brody School of Medicine.

“Sometimes even our own community doesn't realize how cutting-edge we are,” Kolasa said. “The Mini-Med School is an exciting educational opportunity for ECU faculty to share information about the major health concerns in our region and how we

are contributing to improve health through research and teaching.”

Participants eyeballed such developments as surgical robotics and even sat at the controls of the da Vinci Surgical System teaching model, which allows surgeons to perform heart surgery and other procedures using precision-guided mechanical arms.

“People come from around the world for our programs,” Kolasa said. “We recently had a visitor from Britain who was studying childhood obesity. We were the first stop.”

Lectures such as “Cancer: Chaos in the Cell” helped participants better understand modern medical mysteries and treatments. They also heard updates on the new East Carolina Heart Institute, expected to open in 2008, and other planned expansions at the medical center.

In one workshop, audiences learned the difference between heartbeats and heart sounds. “They’re not dumbed-down lectures,” says Dr. Harry Adams, a professor emeritus of internal medicine and one of the original organizers of the Mini-Med School. “Presenters may use less medical terminology, and more phrases understandable to someone without a medical background, but the information is up-to-the-minute.”

This year’s curriculum showcased developments at the medical school and in the larger field of human illness and health. During small working sessions, participants tried to diagnose “standardized patients,” those who act out diseases and illnesses to give medical students a dress rehearsal.

Visiting the hospital’s emergency department, participants worked with a computer-operated emergency “patient,” a model known as Stan, who mimics a gunshot wound, heart attack and other serious conditions. Models like Stan can help teach high-risk procedures, such as finding chest vessels for delivering hydration or IV medication.

“These simulations allow us to teach and assess medical students in a safe environment,” says Dr. Walter “Skip” Robey

III, clinical associate professor and director of the Medical Simulation and Patient Safety Laboratory.

Despite its complexities, medicine is not unlike other professions, especially law and the clergy, where professionals must be trusted with a person’s deepest secrets.

“The medical school is kind of a mystery to people, even if they have friends who are physicians or researchers,” Adams said. “It’s teaching people to take care of lives, to deal with people in a nurturing manner. Patients tell you things they’re not telling anyone else, and you have to understand and not judge.”

When their training ended, graduates of the Mini-Med School had gained a taste of how it might feel to hold someone’s life in your hands.

“You really have insight into some of the things doctors go through,” said Stanley Zicherman, 72, who took part in the 2000 Mini-Med School and now helps teach medical students as a standardized patient.

—Marion Blackburn

Enrollment nears 26,000

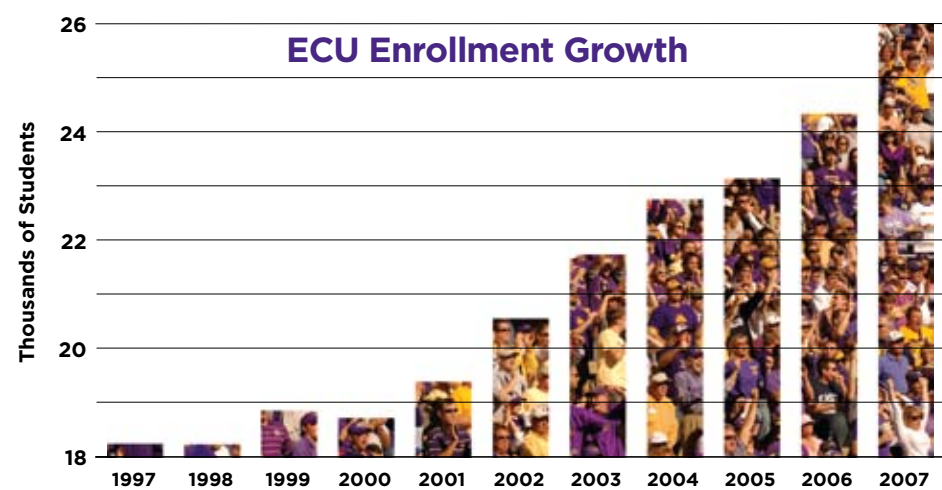
Enrollment hovered at 26,000 for the fall semester—about 1,500 more students than a year ago—as East Carolina labored to provide enough dorm rooms, classrooms, teachers, books and food for its swelling student body. Still, only a few problems impeded the start of another term on the

crowded campus, including a glitch in the university’s new computer system, called Banner, which resulted in long lines of students outside the Financial Aid office.

Campus Dining officials reported serving 288,066 meals in the first three weeks of this semester—roughly 14,000 a day—compared to 253,505 meals in the same three-week period last year, about 12,000 a day. The enrollment surge also is evident off-campus in overcrowding on some ECU Transit buses serving several large apartment complexes. About 70 percent of students live off campus.

At least two apartment complexes paid for expanded bus service after some students couldn’t find seats. Residents of North Campus Crossing, a large apartment complex about four miles from Main Campus, now can catch a bus to campus every 10 minutes. Each apartment complex that uses the ECU bus system pays 65 percent of the operating costs, which officials said averages about \$28,000 a semester.

This is the sixth year in a row that ECU has been the fastest-growing of the 16 UNC campuses. As one of the fastest-growing states in the nation, North Carolina is struggling with exploding numbers of people wanting a college education. A long-range plan by the Board of Governors last revised in 2004 anticipated that East Carolina’s enrollment would hit 24,600 by 2007, a mark it reached a year ahead of schedule.



If current trends continue, East Carolina could surpass UNC Chapel Hill in a few years to become the second-largest university in the state. The difference in enrollment between the two campuses was roughly 6,000 students in 2000; now the difference is roughly 2,000. N.C. State University, the largest campus, has more than 31,000 students. However, officials say ECU has little room left to grow.

Recruiting and hiring enough faculty to teach the ever-expanding course catalogue is a challenge. Officials say the faculty has grown nearly 50 percent in the past few years to more than 1,700. However, the student-faculty ratio is better today than it was a decade ago. The average SAT score of incoming instate freshmen—at 1,031 in 2006—also is higher than a decade ago.

There are about 200 international students from 54 countries on campus this year.

—Adeline Trento, a staff writer for *The East Carolinian*, contributed to this report.

Dental school funds approved

After months of uncertainty, funding is in hand for the planned ECU School of Dentistry. The North Carolina legislature approved \$25 million for the project before it adjourned at the end of the summer. That’s enough money to complete the design phase and begin constructing the 112,500-square-foot building, probably on the west side of the current Health Sciences Building on university-owned land. BJAC, a Raleigh architectural firm, has been retained to design the dental school. Groundbreaking was expected to occur before the end of the year.

Though the allocation is short of the \$87 million required to complete construction of the facility and practice sites where dental students and residents will train, Dr. Gregory Chadwick, interim dean, believes the state is firmly committed to the plan.

“We’re really excited to have this funding from the state,” Chadwick said. “That is a huge step that will mean we can begin to move forward. It will allow us to complete



25" x 18"
hand-built, painted vessel

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The *Rebel*, ECU’s avant-garde annual literary magazine, turns 50 next year. A student-run publication known during the 1960s, ’70s and ’80s as the voice of countercultures, *Rebel* won an All-American prize from the Associated Collegiate Press in 1962. Once mostly a collection of essays, the 50th issue of *Rebel* will lean heavily toward nonfiction, digital photography, film art, animation, and textile design. Above, the ceramics first-place award winner from the 2006 *Rebel*.

the planning process and get into the initial construction phase.”

The School of Dentistry is expected to open by 2011, with 50 students enrolled in the first class. Part of their education will take place at one of 10 university-owned dental practices, or service-learning centers. The school also will have two residency programs in general and pediatric dentistry. Residents will learn and practice in the centers, which will be placed in rural, underserved areas of the state. Of the first three centers to be built, two likely will be in eastern North Carolina, with a third in the mountains.

The ECU dental school is part of the ambitious “Plan for Dentistry” approved by the Board of Governors in November 2006, a joint project with the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. The new budget allocates \$25 million for Chapel Hill’s planned dental school expansion, which will focus on research and education, especially in the dental specialties.

The next steps include filling several key administrative roles. Chadwick will continue

as interim dean while the search begins for an associate dean for academic affairs and an associate dean for finance and operations. Those jobs are expected to be filled within a year, along with a director of the service-learning centers. After these posts are filled the school will begin to select department heads and faculty.

In addition, planning will soon begin for the school’s residency programs. “It’s a lengthy process,” Chadwick says. “There are a lot of things to do.”

Meanwhile, the Kate B. Reynolds Charitable Trust awarded a \$296,000 grant to the Brody School of Medicine to establish a dental clinic for overweight children without access to dental care. The program will be the first of its kind in the country and will serve as a model for the integration of dental care in the treatment of children with complex diseases, said Dr. Sara G. Grossi, a periodontist, research professor and director of the grant.

Patients will come from East Carolina University’s Pediatric Healthy Weight

Research and Treatment Center, created in 2003 by the Department of Pediatrics in response to the epidemic of childhood obesity in eastern North Carolina. When 30 children participating in the research clinic received dental exams, 50 percent had untreated dental cavities, 95 percent had gingivitis, 60 percent had bleeding gums, 19 percent had tartar buildup and 10 percent had juvenile periodontitis, an aggressive form of gum disease.

—Marion Blackburn



Grant endows faculty chair

A \$500,000 grant from the Independent Insurance Agents of North Carolina (IIANC) will allow the College of Business to establish a faculty chair for risk and insurance. Officials announced the gift at a luncheon held on campus where IIANC past presidents, board members, and staff members presented the first \$200,000 of the donation. The chair will be named the Independent Insurance Agents of North Carolina Distinguished Professor.

The endowed chair will be a key component of the undergraduate business concentration in risk and insurance to be offered by the finance department. Faculty will develop the program during the current academic year.

The IIANC has a long history of supporting higher education. Currently, the organization is completing a program of endowed scholarships at colleges and universities across the state.

Survey exposes diversity issues

Seventy-five percent of white students, faculty and staff members are comfortable with the state of race relations and attitudes toward people with disabilities, but only 61 percent of minorities on campus feel that way, according to a survey conducted by the administration. Overall, the survey suggests that East Carolina faces several challenges eliminating all vestiges of discrimination but those issues are the same ones faced by most universities.

Dr. Virginia Hardy, interim chief diversity officer, said the survey provided valuable insights for developing strategies to enhance the climate for diversity and maximize equity throughout the campus. “The university is unequivocally committed to diversity,” she said. “This survey is another tool in helping us understand what improvements are needed and how we should make them.”

The survey questionnaire was posted at ECU’s web site, and all members of the university community were urged to participate. Surveys were completed by 3,237 individuals, including students, faculty and staff. Those who participated included 1,747 students, 749 people of color, 2,378 white respondents, 151 people who identified a physical disability, and 247 individuals who identified a psychological condition or learning disability.

Twenty-one percent of respondents said they had personally experienced offensive, hostile or intimidating conduct that interfered unreasonably with their ability to work or learn. Other key findings:

- Nine percent of respondents said they had been subjected to sexual misconduct, such as touching in a sexual manner. Four percent said they had been victims of sexual assault while at ECU.
- Thirty percent of respondents reported that they had observed discriminatory hiring. Twenty-eight percent said they had observed discriminatory promotion practices.
- Forty-nine percent of respondents believe that ECU values their involvement in diversity initiatives on campus. Thirty-four percent said ECU ought to include diversity-related activities as a criterion for hiring.



Dr. Marilyn Sheerer and panelists

100 top alumnae honored

The diversity of successful ECU alumnae was on display at the “One Hundred Incredible ECU Women” event in October. A good example was the panelists at the Women’s Roundtable session, which included Linda E. McMahon ’69, CEO and co-founder of World Wrestling Entertainment; Dr. Lynn L. Lawry ’92, associate director of the Center for Disaster and Humanitarian Assistance Medicine; and Beverly Cox ’67, director of exhibitions and collections management at the National Portrait Gallery.

The 100 honored alumnae are: Alison H. Atkins, Irene F. Bailey, Edna Earle Baker, Judy B. Baker, Cassandra D. Bell, Lisa D. Benton, Margaret E. Bishop, Rebecca Y. Bloxam, Emily S. Boyce, Carolyn J. Breedlove, Susan C. Brooks, Suzanne J. Brooks, Judith H. Budacz, Lisa R. Callahan, Shirley A. Carraway, E. Carol Carrere, Madge S. Chamness, Gloria A. Chance, Joyce G. Cherry, Maggy M. Costandy, Beverly Cox, Michele C. Daenzer-Sapp, Nancy W. Darden, Deborah C. Davis, Jane M. Dillard, Patricia C. Dunn, Linda R. Edwards, Laura L. Elliott, Susan W. Engelkemeyer, Janet P. Ennis, LaRue M. Evans, Beth G. Everett, Janice H. Faulkner, Pansie Hart Flood, Barbara B. Forester, Robin L. Good, Beth Grant, Paula M. Hale, Shelly S. Harkins, Lynn B. Hoggard, Deborah A. Holloman, Deborah L. Hooper,

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Twenty-one children and teens with complex congenital heart defects rallied at Camp Don Lee near the coast in October to attend the third Camp WholeHeart. Campers had fun while learning ways to optimize their health and maintain an active lifestyle. Camp volunteers included ECU students and faculty from disciplines including child life, nutrition and pediatric cardiology as well as volunteers from University Health Systems and the community. The camp was sponsored by the Children’s Miracle Network and Pitt County Memorial Hospital Foundation. Priti Desai, a faculty member in the College of Human Ecology, coordinates Camp WholeHeart.

2008 Winter Arts Calendar

For more information, go to www.ecuarts.com.

Four Seasons, near and far

The **Four Seasons Chamber Music Festival** will begin 2008 with a performance just down the road in Washington, N.C., but will finish far from home, in Israel.

Now in its eighth season, the festival opens the year with a Jan. 9 performance at the restored Turnage Theater in Little Washington. Artistic director Ara Gregorian then will lead the ensemble during evening concerts at Fletcher Recital Hall on campus on Jan. 10 and 11. Then it will hit the road for a Jan. 12 performance at the N.C. School of the Arts in Winston-Salem. All of those performances will feature Schubert's *String Trio*, Schumann's *Piano Quintet* and Franck's *Piano Quartet*. Performing will be pianist Robert McDonald, violinists Ani Kavafian and Joseph Genualdi, cellist Michael Kannen and Gregorian on viola.

The festival returns to Carnegie Hall in New York on Feb. 23. The chamber music sextet Concertante will join guest pianist Adam Neiman, violinist Ani Gregorian Resnick, and cellist Sarah Carter. Together with Gregorian, they'll perform Schumann's *Adagio and Allegro*; Brahms' *String Sextet in B-flat Major* and piano music by Chopin.

The season will conclude with a May 23-28 tour of Israel, where concerts will be given in Jerusalem, Tel Aviv, Rishon Le Zion and Raanana. The May 26 concert at Henry Crown Hall in Jerusalem will be broadcast live on radio.



Joan Marcus

Performing Arts

■ In what's touted as the first performance in Greenville by a touring Broadway production, the **S. RUDOLPH ALEXANDER PERFORMING ARTS SERIES** will offer *Ring of Fire: The Music of Johnny Cash* on Jan. 20 in Wright Auditorium. The musical, which debuted on Broadway in the spring of 2006, will feature 38 songs by the singer. The **Empire Brass Quintet**, hailed as the finest such group on the continent, will perform on Jan. 31. The **Monterey Jazz Festival** is celebrating its 50th anniversary with a national tour that stops on campus on Feb. 6. The acclaimed jazz musicians in the group will be accompanied by vocalist Nnenna Freelon, a six-time Grammy nominee who is married to Durham architect Phil Freelon. The **State Symphony Orchestra of Mexico**, directed by Enrique Batiz, will perform on Feb. 13.



The series will conclude April 28 with a special performance by **Garrison Keillor** of *Lake Wobegone Days*, a scaled-down version of his popular *Prairie Home Companion* radio program that he stages in smaller venues. This performance was to be limited to series subscribers and was expected to be Keillor's only appearance in eastern North Carolina.

■ **Dance 2008**, the annual dance festival staged by the School of Theatre and Dance will be Feb. 7-12. *Flora, the Red Menace* a musical by Kander and Ebb, who wrote and music and lyrics for *Chicago* and *Cabaret*, will be staged Feb. 29-March 4. Liza Minnelli won a Tony Award for her portrayal of Flora in the original 1965 production of the play.

Opera

Deborah Nansteel and graduate students in the Department of Vocal Studies will star in *An Evening at Orlofsky's*, their special version of the second act of Strauss's *Die Fledermaus*, on Nov. 29. One of the world's favorite operas, Mozart's *The Magic Flute* will be presented March 5-7 in A.J. Fletcher Recital Hall under the direction of John Kramar and conducted by Jorge Richter. The performance will feature a new translation by San Francisco's renowned librettist Donald Pippin.

Symphony

Works by Beethoven, von Weber and Mikhail Glinka will be performed by the **ECU Symphony Orchestra** on Nov. 18 in Wright Auditorium and Nov. 19 at the Minnie Evans Arts Center in Wilmington. The orchestra returns to campus Nov. 28 for a private concert for the Pitt County Schools.

Choral Music

The **University Chorale** and **St. Cecilia Singers**, under new director Jeff Ward, will present a concert Feb. 24 that will include works by Debussy, Britten and several American composers. The **ECU Chamber Singers** are planning a tour in late February to Virginia and Washington, D.C.

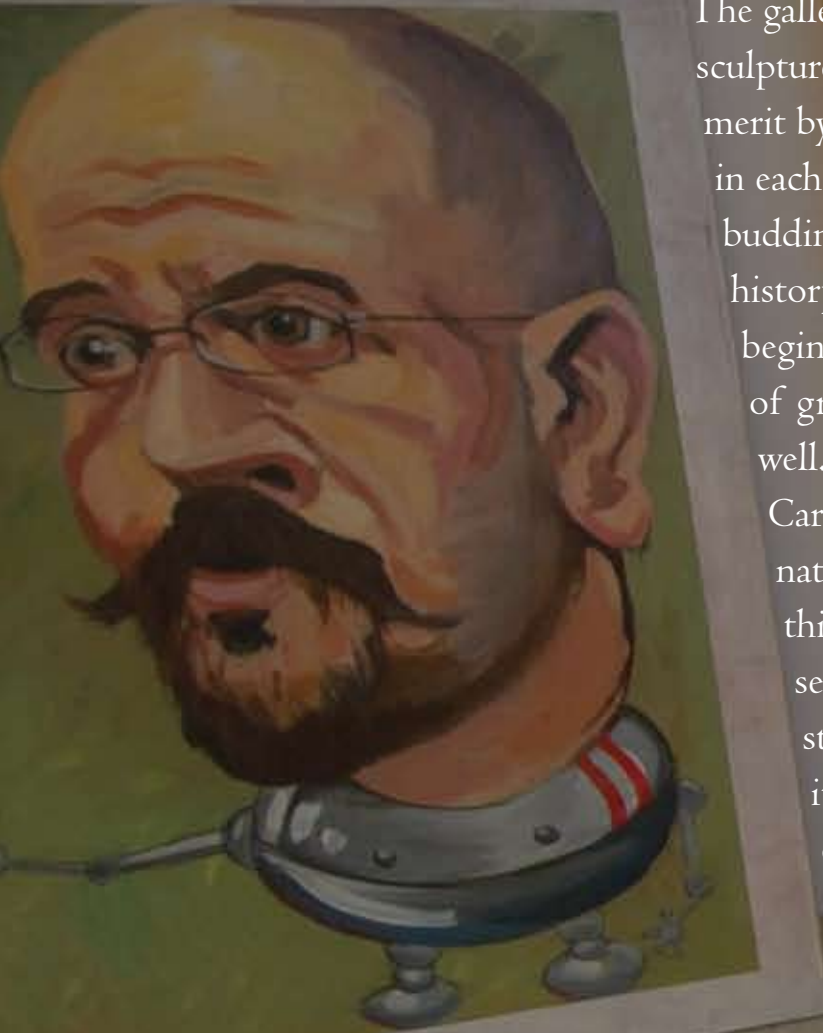
Who's in town?

Music, poetry, a dramatic retelling of the life of Hildegard of Bingen and a showing of Cecil B. DeMille's silent film masterpiece *King of Kings* will be among the highlights of the **Religious Arts Festival** Jan. 24-27, with most events scheduled at St. Paul's Episcopal Church near the university. Guest organist **Stephen Hamilton**, minister of music at Church of the Holy Trinity (Episcopal) in New York City, artistic director of the *Music at Holy Trinity* series, and a member of the faculties at Hunter, Mannes and Queens colleges, will perform Marcel Dupre's *Stations of the Cross* on Jan. 24, with a reading of the Paul Claudel poetry that inspired the composition. Actor **Carol Anderson** will present *A Feather on the Breath of God* Jan. 25 about the life of Christian mystic Hildegard of Bingen.

David Briggs, organist emeritus at Gloucester Cathedral, will improvise an accompaniment to the film *King of Kings* Jan. 25, and festival guest artists will present *King of Kings*, *Queen of Heaven—The Many Faces of God Celebrated in Lessons and Carols* Jan. 26.



An Eye for Art



The galleries in the Jenkins Fine Arts Center and the sculpture yards outside daily exhibit works of unusual merit by ECU students and faculty. You can see the talent in each piece, but to see the hand that guided these budding artists, you have to stand back and look at the history of fine arts at East Carolina. It's a history that begins in 1909 when the college learned the benefit of graduating schoolteachers who also could draw well. It comes into clearer focus in 1962 when East Carolina became the first school in the state to receive national accreditation for its arts programs. And this apparently natural affinity for fine arts can be seen today in the 700 undergraduates and 50 grad students in the School of Art and Design, making it the biggest art school in North Carolina and one of the biggest in the Southeast.

Over the decades, many have left Greenville to become successful artists and influential teachers.

We talked with some to hear their stories and to ask how East Carolina influenced them. We

met acclaimed batik artist **Mary Edna Fraser '74**, the first woman to exhibit work at the National Air and Space

Museum, and **James H. Cromartie '66**, a prominent historical artist and America's leading hard-edge realist. We also encountered younger art

grads starting interesting careers.

They would like you to know, as they do, that East Carolina has an eye for art.



Director Gil Leebrick readies Wellington B. Gray Gallery for the 2007 Faculty Exhibition, which runs through Thanksgiving.

By Steve Rowe
Photography by Forrest Croce

When the Cold War was casting a pall over American culture in 1962, East Carolina accomplished something unusual for its time and place. It won national accreditation for its arts education programs, becoming the first in the state to be recognized by the National Association of Schools of Art and Design. In 1976 the school did something else unexpected. In an era when swelling enrollments pushed budgets toward dorms and science labs, East Carolina found money to erect a new landmark on campus, the spacious Jenkins Fine Arts Center, providing a nurturing, everything-under-one-roof home for all the fine arts programs and faculty.

That long history and demonstrated commitment to the fine arts today has produced a school that is much larger in enrollment and bolder in scope than is generally known, even by people working in other areas of the university. Time and the contribution of many hands obviously has helped ECU build a vigorous, rigorous arts curriculum that others admire as flexible and practical.

Today, the School of Art and Design (SOAD) is one of the larger divisions on campus. It offers four undergraduate degrees as well as BFAs in art and design and art education. There are master's programs in fine arts and art education. SOAD supports 15 separate concentrations, including 13 studio programs—animation, textiles, painting, drawing, illustration, photography, printmaking, sculpture, ceramics and more.

East Carolina has had “the largest program in North Carolina for so long,” says Michael H. Drought, who was drawn here last year as the new SOAD director. Size matters, he adds, but quality is more important. “We want to break away from being considered just a regional arts program” and aim for national attention, Drought says.

He thinks that's possible because he sees a wealth of talent in the SOAD faculty and students. “They tell you they like the small classes and the great teaching. The atmosphere seems to be that of a real family. They are doing some great things.”

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Mary Edna Fraser
in her Charleston studio
You can see more of
Fraser's art at her web site,
www.maryedna.com.

Mary Edna Burkhead Fraser '74 knows the very moment when she became an artist. It was during her senior year at ECU when she climbed into the open cockpit of an old airplane piloted by her brother and flew over Sea Island, Ga. She looked down at the tide lapping sandy beaches and was stunned by the subtle beauty of the natural world. Hooked, she began flying regularly over the coast, carrying a camera and leaning over the side of the plane to snap pictures of barrier islands, sounds and estuaries.

She had been double majoring in home economics, with a concentration in clothing and textiles, and interior design—but after that airplane ride she focused exclusively on art. She fell under the guidance of Professor Sarah Edmiston and studied design, color theory and photography. Already interested in textiles, Fraser broadened her artistic vision “so that I was thinking in three dimensions.”

After graduation she enrolled at the Arrowmont School of Crafts in Gatlinburg, part of the University of Tennessee. There she discovered batik, which involves dye transfers onto silk. After she spent two years mastering direct dye techniques and other styles, admiring teachers told her what every aspiring artist longs to year. “I was told that I could make a living doing this.”

She certainly proved her teachers right. Her batiks, often created on huge canvases that ripple in the air, have attracted critical acclaim—and fetched handsome prices—in museums and galleries throughout the U.S. and in several foreign countries. Working out of studios in Charleston, S.C., Fraser sees the world from the air and even outer space. In 1994, she became the first woman to be honored with a one-person textile exhibition at the National Air and Space Museum in Washington. She's the official artist of NASA; her 2001 national touring exhibition depicted the solar system as large-scale silk batiks.

She's best known in North Carolina for collaborating with Duke University professor Orrin Pilkey to produce the 2003 book, *A Celebration of the World's Barrier Islands*. A review in *New Yorker* magazine said the “Delicate renderings of the islands by artist Mary Edna Fraser look like vivid aerial-view paintings but are actually batik prints of the coasts,

counterbalancing Pilkey's careful study of the 'restless ribbons of sand.'”

She draws inspiration from the Japanese Edo prints of the 1600s-1800s but adds a sense of monumental scale. “I used modern dye techniques, fast film photos and satellite imagery, and it all came together for a lifetime of art for me,” Fraser says.

“Between the art I studied at ECU and at Arrowmont, I found my passion. And I grew as a person as well as an artist.”

Scott Eagle '86 MFA '92 had known since he was a high school student in Winston-Salem that he wanted to study art at East Carolina. “It had a really good reputation, and it had low tuition,” he recalls. He enjoyed his undergraduate work, particularly the frequent exposure to visiting artists from New York. So it's not surprising that's exactly where he headed after graduation.

As a 22-year-old fresh out of college, he had work published in magazines and the *New York Times*. That phase of his life accomplished, Eagle returned to ECU to seek a master of fine arts degree and wound up being offered a temporary job as director of the

Wellington Gray Gallery. “One of the best things about this program is that you work in many media,” Scott says. “I had little bits of everything in my thesis show.”

He began teaching here in 2000 and now coordinates the painting programs as well as serving as assistant director of the school and director of its graduate programs. “There is no other comprehensive program like this in North Carolina. We're still good in every area.”

If it hadn't been for Nelson Rockefeller, James Cromartie '66 might never have put his art degree from East Carolina College to good use.

As he neared completion of a bachelor of fine arts degree with a painting concentration, Cromartie traveled with some fraternity brothers to Nantucket Island off Massachusetts and fell in love with the place. He completed his degree and two years later, he had his first art show on the island.

At that first show, he struck up a casual conversation with two viewers who seemed especially interested in his work. He found out later that they

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Scott Eagle



Dory Daisies Shell
by James Cromartie
You can see more
of Cromartie's art at
his web site, www.cromartiegallery.com.

were Rockefeller, the former governor of New York, and his wife, Happy. They began to buy Cromartie's art, as did some friends of the Rockefellers who were members of the Firestone family.

This proved to be quite beneficial for a young artist. "My father had told me he would let me give art a chance, and if I failed, I could come into his real estate business," Cromartie says.

When the Rockefellers became Cromartie's patrons, he had a chance to develop his painting in oils and acrylics. "It gave me time to mess up," he says.

They assisted him for about four years, after which "they said I was on my own. If it hadn't been for them, I probably would have wound up working in real estate in Charlotte."

Since then, Cromartie has settled in Nantucket, where he has a gallery and studio, and he has become recognized as a leading practitioner of the so-called "Hard-Edge Realism" style of painting, not unlike Hopper and Wyeth.

He also is known for his depiction of historic buildings. He executed the official "portrait" of the U.S. Capitol and the White House, and he recently finished a portrait of the U.S. Supreme Court. He also did the official painting of the Smithsonian Institution "castle" on the Mall.

ECC often brought in visiting artists-in-residence to talk about art and finding jobs in art. "One told us, 'Don't give up your day job,'" Cromartie says.

"When I started out, I was told that

one in 30,000 was going to make it as an artist. Today, things have changed dramatically. People can make a living from art now. In this country, there is so much more interest in art, and people are more conscious of art."

Cromartie was interested in art as a high school student in Charlotte, and in the early 1960s the only place to study art at the college level in North Carolina was at East Carolina College. "They had the only viable art department in the state. We were on the third floor of Rawl in the biggest art department in North Carolina."

As an East Carolina student, Cromartie recalls that he received not only good instruction from the art faculty, especially Tran Gordley and Donald Sexauer, but he also received encouragement. "It was a great art community. The faculty and students hung out together. And East Carolina was not just an art school. It was a college that happened to have a good art program."

Recent grads also making it

Niki Litts '02 went straight to graduate school at the Pennsylvania Academy of Fine Arts. Returning home to Raleigh with an MFA, she spent a year figuring out what she really wanted to do. In 2006 she learned that the Kinston Arts Center was searching for a director of education and exhibits. She got the job and a year later is assuming greater responsibilities for programming, maintenance of programs, curating exhibits, installing exhibits and

marketing. "Eventually, there will be a time when I move up and into an area with different challenges," she says.

Tony Breuer MFA '03 was a successful neurologist trained at Princeton, Oxford and Harvard Medical School before he arrived in Greenville to teach at the Brody School of Medicine. He enjoyed medicine but he had always been attracted to art. So he enrolled in the SOAD and earned MFA in three and a half years. He plans to wind down his medical practice in two or three years and devote all of his time to art. "The professors are working artists, so they practice what they teach, but they don't want students to imitate their art to 'please the professor.' I feel very strongly about my teachers and the school here," he says.

Christina Miller MFA '03 spent her junior year studying in Italy, where she first saw the ugly picture that can be caused by mining the precious metals used in jewelry making. Art history class with Ron Graziani further raised Miller's awareness of the environmental connection between metal smithing and mining, and she mounted an exhibition as part of her graduate work that explored the ethics of that connection. Now an instructor at Millersville University in Pennsylvania, she is now considered one of the leaders in the "ethical metal smithing" movement. "I develop projects that are geared to building an awareness of where materials come from that go into our metal smithing. I don't know where I would be without having taken [Graziani's] course."



Metals program faculty
Linda Darty, Mi-Sook Hur,
Robert Ebendorf and
Tim Lazure

A faculty with vision

Hang around the Jenkins building and you hear students use admiring tones for faculty members like Linda Darty, a renowned expert on enameling who earned a lifetime achievement award from the Enamelist Society. ECU's metals program is believed to be the largest program of its kind in the nation.

SOAD students also crowd into lectures by Robert Ebendorf, a widely recognized goldsmith and jeweler who serves as the Carol Grotnes Belk Distinguished Visiting Professor. Ebendorf, whose work has been featured at the Smithsonian, came to campus seven years ago as a distinguished visiting

professor and didn't want to leave. He extended his commitment because of his fondness for ECU and the arts program.

Ebendorf, who taught more than 30 years at universities in Florida, Georgia and New York before coming to Greenville, says many SOAD students come to college already possessing advanced technical skills but many are less well versed in more traditional art forms. And yet the crafts and applied arts often are better avenues to careers, especially in a state such as North Carolina, which has a large arts and crafts industry.

But SOAD wants its students to experience art on a global scale. Perhaps that's why there's

a buzz surrounding visiting professor Seok Hwa Kim, head of the Department of Art and Design at Dankook University in Korea, who is teaching classes in metals here this year.

The exposure to art on a global scale is an eye-opening experience. "Making these kinds of connections is important and will enhance our reputation," Drought says.

"The mentoring that the faculty gives to the students is good and is a very important part of their professional overview of education. The mentoring is not just about classes, but it also is about life," Ebendorf says. "The faculty members are very passionate about what they do."

Architectural rendering of the proposed Jenkins Fine Arts Center, circa 1974



University Archives

Fixing the fine arts building

It was a banner day for the fine arts when East Carolina dedicated the Jenkins Fine Arts Center in 1976. With more than 100,000 square feet of space, Jenkins was big enough to house all the fine arts programs under one roof, a big plus for faculty and students.

Its airy galleries and well-equipped studios nurtured artistic minds, but 30 years of paint splatters and blowtorches have taken their toll. Some parts of Jenkins were in poor repair until improvements were undertaken recently. So far, classrooms and interior hallways have been repainted, seven painting studios have been renovated, computer labs have been upgraded with new furnishings and computers, five “smart” classrooms have been developed, and exterior lighting has been added for night work in the kiln yard.

“We actually created more square footage for students” with this work, says SOAD director Drought. With its literal house now in order, Drought is planning other improvements, including broader recruiting efforts. Up to now, the vast majority of SOAD students came from in-state.

“We’ve not had a significant recruiting effort outside North Carolina, but we will start,” he says. “I don’t think there are many programs out there as comprehensive as ours, but this is a competitive world, and recruiting new students is absolutely essential.”

He also wants to make sure adequate studio space has been secured for both students and their programs as one way to support

the newer, growing programs. The school also would like to expand its art collection on public display, including possible exhibitions at the medical campus. It hopes to strengthen its relationship with Greenville’s Emerge Gallery and continue the outreach effort toward young people through the annual Youth Arts Festival.

Drought knows that bringing some of

these plans to reality likely will require adding more space. “We want to lay the groundwork for expanding our facilities, and I think the university is very committed to our program, as shown by our building improvements. But right now, for instance, more students are interested in our graduate programs than we have space for.”

What makes ECU different?

“Most people feel a cool sense of beauty in art but at ECU art also can fire the passions. That fact is on vivid display when students in the sculpture program conduct the darkly beautiful Iron Pours. Amid fire and smoke evocative of Vulcan’s Forge, heaps of scrap metal die in flames and are reborn as art objects. The annual Halloween Iron Pour is a spooky rite of passage on campus that kicks off the evening’s merriment.”

East Carolina boasts acclaimed faculty in even this most brutish art form, including Professor Carl Billingsley, who brought the artistic iron pour back to the Baltics after the Iron Curtain fell. Professor Hanna Jubran, who created the “Monument to a Century of Flight” installment at Kitty Hawk, leaves art behind annually in Estonia and Israel. Both have won international competitions.

But the faculty never forgets that students one day will have to earn a living. Leland Wallin, a painting professor for the past 15 years, explains that one sure way to avoid becoming a starving artist is to teach by day, preferably on a leafy college campus, and create at night.



School of Art and Design professor Gunnar Swanson received an award of excellence from the University & College Designers Association for this student recruitment poster. The poster is also featured in *Print* magazine’s 2007 regional design annual.

“Getting the (undergraduate) art degree is not necessarily the end of the course. They continue to work and also get an advanced degree, or sometimes it is the other way around, and that’s what it is all about. Most BA/BFA students take five years, and if they don’t go on to get an MFA, they often don’t have time to develop maturation, and they can’t teach,” he says.

Art is a “very challenging field” these days, and because of the cost of materials and supplies, a costly field, he says, and being able to teach while pursuing one’s art is beneficial. Having a master’s degree helps an artist get noticed for shows and exhibitions while also helping advance a teaching career.

Unlike many private art schools and some public programs, ECU does not require prospective students to submit a portfolio for admission, but a portfolio of work is required to pursue advanced courses in one of the studio concentrations.

By the time the student is a senior, a second portfolio review takes place as the student prepares for his or her required “senior show,” in which the student’s work is evaluated by at least two faculty members.

Opportunities for overseas study are also available. ECU conducts summer arts programs in Finland, Italy, Spain and Estonia and the Baltics. Faculty members have participated in traveling exhibitions in Cologne, Germany, and other international venues.

Drought’s experience with art students in the past confirms that art majors generally are driven to do well.

“Whenever you are really passionate about something—and most artists are—you do really well. A BFA is good for a lot more than it used to be. While it’s not a guarantee for success, it shows you want to be professional at some level.”

Not content to rest on its artistic laurels, East Carolina is pushing forward with a new vision for art and design. Other schools are catching up, Drought says. “A lot of other programs have developed. Five years down the road, we would like more people to know about us. We have great stories to tell. Students will find strong programs and good faculty here.”

Junior SOAD student Sarah Searcy, who came to ECU from the N.C. School of the Arts, is one such story. She’s double majoring in painting and anthropology and hopes to study the relationship between the two in graduate school. “I’m doing things here I never thought I’d be doing. I’m meeting incredible people. It’s been such a wonderful experience,” she says. “I’m sure there will be more ‘aha!’ moments, but it certainly has exceeded my expectations.”

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Iron Pour



Long-Term Interest

By Steve Tuttle

Kelly S. King '70 '71 has done pretty well for someone who still has the same job he landed right out of college. He's still working for BB&T, except the little farm-lender in Wilson he joined after completing his MBA has grown to become the 11th-largest bank in the nation. And he doesn't really have the same job. He started as a management trainee and now he's president and chief operating officer, the No. 2 guy in a company with 30,000 employees.

He still hangs out with two of his best friends from college. Of course, it would be hard not to bump into them because they also are BB&T executives. In fact, it was King and his two ECU buddies—plus a UNC Chapel Hill alumnus named John Allison and a Wake Forest grad named Scott Reed—who are credited with transforming the sleepy bank they all joined right out of college into the financial powerhouse it is today, growing from \$250 million in assets then to \$128 billion now.

Besides King, the ECU members of the "Fab Five," as business writers dubbed the team that transformed BB&T, are W. Kendell Chalk '68 '71, who now serves as senior executive vice president and chief credit officer; and Henry Williamson Jr. '68 '71, who rose to become chief operating officer of the bank before taking early retirement in 2004.

"For 30 years we basically ran the company and for 20 plus ran it as a team," King says as he gazes out the window of his office atop the BB&T tower in downtown Winston-Salem. "[Working with them has] been kind of like being in a small company, seeing a small company grow up and change."

“Grow up and change” doesn’t adequately describe what the Fab Five accomplished. Just since 1989, BB&T has acquired 60 community banks and thrifts, more than 85 insurance agencies and 34 nonbank financial services companies. In that time BB&T evolved from a regional bank serving mainly eastern North Carolina to one whose footprint stretches from Baltimore to Key West, Fla. The bank now operates more than 1,500 financial centers in 11 states and the District of Columbia.

And King, who turned 59 in September, says the best may still lie ahead—for him and the bank.

Determined to succeed

Kelly King knew exactly where he wanted to go and how to get there when he walked off a tobacco farm in Zebulon, 10 miles north of Raleigh, and onto the East Carolina campus. A tall, lanky kid with a determined look in his eye, he had been preparing for college since grade school. He realized then that going to college would require him to take two jobs. One job would be to earn enough money to help his parents pay tuition; his other job was earning the top grades that would ensure he would be accepted.

“I had to borrow money and work to be able to go to school. Most weekends I went

back home because I had a good job with a guy who ran a hardware store. I had all sorts of jobs to earn money when I was at East Carolina. I even sold vacuum cleaners. So I didn’t have a big social life.

“I enjoyed the academic side of college, the organizations like Omicron Delta Epsilon, the economics honor society. But the most meaningfully one was the Phi Sigma Pi national honor fraternity. Dr. Richard Todd was the faculty chair of Phi Sigma Pi, and it was just a good, wholesome experience. He always took the students under his wing. He and his wife would have the members of the fraternity over to their house; they were just like grandparents. It was a neat group of people.”

Todd taught history at East Carolina for 27 years before retiring in 1977. He and his wife provided financial aid to support 27 scholarships, fellowships and financial aid programs. Todd Dining Hall on College Hill is named for him and his wife.

King completed his BS degree in business at the top of his class and immediately entered the MBA program. “I knew all along I wanted to be in business. My inclination was I would go into marketing or sales. When I finished my MBA and started interviewing, I had offers with Johnson & Johnson and Procter & Gamble and with the [federal General Accounting Office].”

But his friend Henry Williamson suggested a different possibility. “Henry had a connection to BB&T. He said to me ‘why don’t you interview with those guys.’ So I did and got a [fourth] job offer. Henry was offered a job there as well.

“But I was confused about which job to take. I talked to Fernie James, who was the placement director at ECU for many years. I asked him what should I do. And he gave me great advice. He said, ‘Son, you should go to work for the company that has the kind of people you want to work with the most. You will like it better and be more successful.’ I said that makes sense and on that basis I picked BB&T.”

King and Williamson started work at BB&T in Wilson within 30 days of each other. Four years later they were joined by Chalk, another friend from ECU, who had been teaching at a community college since completing his MBA. Among King’s first acquaintances on the job were Allison, who had just gotten his MBA from UNC Chapel Hill, and Reed, fresh out of Wake Forest University’s MBA program.

King and his two ECU buddies, plus their two new friends, settled into the comfortable, routine life of small-town bankers. But it was a life and a lifestyle that was about to end.

Revolutionary times

By the late 1970s King could sense that the world of banking was about to undergo a sea change. Industry trends were pointing toward consolidation, pushed by customer demand for more diverse banking services. King and the other young guns who had started their careers together began questioning whether BB&T would survive. Those concerns were on King’s mind when a rare opportunity presented itself. It was 1980, and King had been promoted to city executive in Raleigh. CEO Thorne Gregory dropped by King’s office one day to ask how things were going. “Not good,” he told the boss.

“We thought the company had to change to survive. We felt we weren’t going anywhere, and that it was not a good place for us to stay.” Gregory listened carefully and then set up a meeting with Allison, Chalk, King, Reed and Williamson to hear their suggestions. “We told him that if we remained stuck in eastern North Carolina, dependent on farming, pretty soon [BB&T] would be out of business. So it was about growth and diversification.

“Within 30 days he made some pretty big changes. He promoted John Allison [to president] and John became our leader in implementing these changes. We began diversifying and growing and continued on that path from that day forward.”



Henry Williamson, Kendall Chalk and Kelly King at ECU’s BB&T Leadership Center

Kelly King on leadership

From remarks he gave recently to students at ECU’s BB&T Leadership Center

“What’s really interesting is how all of us [himself, Williamson and Chalk] stayed together all these years. Every one of them could have, and I’m sure probably did have, opportunities to become CEOs of companies a long time ago. But every person was willing to subordinate personal gain and personal fame to the team. There really was [a sense that] you’re here to achieve for the team, for the good of the whole family. And over and over and over again, I’ve seen times when people on that team, and others in our company, would do the right thing for the company, would do the right thing for the team, and it would not necessarily be in their best interest. And the irony of that I’m certain is, if you really do genuinely, in your heart, care about the success of others and if you really do care about and commit to a team to be successful, the team will be more successful and you’ll be more successful, too. But if you start out trying to manage for your own success and your own personal career at all costs, you will likely not do nearly as well in life as you could. And I can just about guarantee, you won’t be as happy in life as you could be.”

“I was just looking for volunteers to help us build a building where we could offer our GED classes and other programs. He showed up with a tool belt on and started working, and he wasn’t afraid of the dirty work, either.

“After we got the main building finished, we needed more space because so many kids were coming. So we built an addition, and Kelly was right up there on a ladder, hanging sheetrock. He is a very giving person of his time and energy. He is very encouraging, always telling us ‘you’re doing a great job.’”

—Juli Jenkins, John 3:16 Center, Warren County



The 1982 class of the Phi Sigma Pi scholarship and service fraternity, with advisors Dr. Richard Todd and Cathy White (standing third row, right).

Todd always attracted a crowd

Dr. Richard Todd was one of those professors who always seemed to have a crowd of students around him. Kelly King was one of many who found a sheltering wing from Todd through Phi Sigma Pi, the scholarship and service fraternity that Todd led for three decades.

“He and his wife would have the members of the fraternity over to their house; they were just like grandparents. It was a neat group of people,” King says.

Todd taught history and philosophy from 1950 to 1977, retired and continued directing the fraternity for many years. Here’s another memory of him posted at the ECU web site by Donald Turner ’78:

“One of my first memories of ECU was visiting the History Department during orientation. Dr. Richard Todd was standing in the halls of Brewster Building waving people into his classroom like the gatekeeper of the Emerald City of Oz. “Come on in!!” I knew right then that college life was going to be filled with many colorful and exciting people and experiences. Dr. Todd added so much to the lives he touched that HIS fraternity, Phi Sigma Pi, of which I was honored to be a member, dedicated a flagpole in his honor in front of old Joyner Library. Students who dine at Todd Dining Hall can little realize what kind of a giant Dr. Todd was in the educational process at ECU.”

It was a gamble whose risks King only now appreciates. “As we started moving into Winston-Salem and Greensboro and Wilmington and Durham, and our business grew, we knew then [the growth strategy] was going to work. We didn’t have any doubts. We were very confident but in retrospect I guess we were cocky, which isn’t a great quality, but we were never in doubt. We should have been, but we weren’t.”

One reason the gamble on growth paid off is King and his colleagues stuck to BB&T’s long-standing philosophy of serving the community. During the early 1990s when King ran BB&T’s Raleigh operations he seemed to be always involved with worthy causes. He chaired the N.C. Rural Center, the Raleigh Chamber of Commerce, the Triangle United Way and the N.C. Bankers Association. He even volunteered with the Raleigh Little Theater.

The theater “was the last thing I thought I would get involved with. But they offered some unique youth programs. It became clear to me that one of the things about theater is it stimulates creativity; when you are acting you are being creative. I thought it was neat for the young people to get that experience. Creativity is a very scarce commodity; that’s why I did that.”

In 1995 BB&T merged with Southern National Bank and moved its headquarters to Winston-Salem. King, Williamson and Chalk continued their rise up the corporate ladder as the bank spread into Virginia, Georgia and several other states. Williamson retired in 2004 as COO and King stepped up to fill the shoes of his old college pal.

Despite the pressures of their jobs, King, Williamson and Chalk remained loyal to ECU and gave generously of their time. Williamson co-chaired the \$50 million Shared Visions fund-raising campaign in the mid 1990s. Chalk served on the Board of Trustees for several years. King chaired the Board of Visitors. The three were instrumental in creating the BB&T Center for Leadership in the College of Business. The center was established in 1982 with a \$250,000 gift from the bank that was

followed by a \$350,000 gift in 1991, a \$250,000 gift in 1998 and a \$1 million gift in 2005.

‘A country boy with a hammer’

Some executives play golf to relax. Kelly King likes to drive nails. “We bought a place on Lake Gaston about 20 years ago and since then I have loved going up there on weekends with the family and the kids and building things. I built a boat ramp and a deck. My friends from work see me up there and they say, ‘You sure don’t look like a banker.’ And I tell them, ‘I’m just a country boy with a hammer.’”

Juli Jenkins can attest to King’s carpentry skills. She runs the John 3:16 Center, a nonprofit dedicated to helping poor kids from disadvantaged families in Warren County, the area near King’s lake house. She met King one Sunday at a church service near the lake. “At the time I really didn’t know who he was. I was just looking for

volunteers to help us build a building where we could offer our GED classes and other programs. He showed up with a tool belt on and started working, and he wasn’t afraid of the dirty work, either.

“After we got the main building finished, we needed more space because so many kids were coming. So we built an addition, and Kelly was right up there on a ladder, hanging sheetrock. He is a very giving person of his time and energy. He is very encouraging, always telling us ‘you’re doing a great job.’

“He’s given up a lot of his weekends to get us going and you can tell it really makes him happy to know we have this place where children can come and be safe. He really enjoys watching the children. That’s what puts a smile on his face.”

Thad Woodard, president of the N.C. Bankers Association, isn’t surprised that King would work so hard. “I know it is his personal mantra that, ‘if it is to be, it’s up to me.’ As long as I have known him,” Woodard

continues, “Kelly was always the first person to step forward and take the responsibility when something important was at stake.”

King divorced and remarried 25 years ago. His son, Ken, 29, works in corporate banking for Bank of America in Charlotte. Daughter Mary Ann, 22, is a senior at Appalachian State University.

He plans to remain at BB&T until he retires some years hence. “We have a lot of work left to do to develop our market, particularly in Florida. While we are a household name in North and South Carolina, we are not a household name down there. For right now we are focused on running a disciplined company. We want to continue being a high-quality, stable, conservative institution so that our shareholders don’t have to worry when bad times come around. The job isn’t done yet.”

In other words, he plans to keep his hammer and tool belt handy.

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The doctor of dogfish

By Leanne E. Smith

Many professors are content to lecture at the front of a classroom, but Roger Rulifson thinks that Green Mill Run, the creek at the bottom of College Hill, provides an excellent learning environment. That's where he takes his biology students at the beginning of each semester. Plunging into the creek with them, he teaches the students how to measure dissolved oxygen, pH, salinity, visibility and other vital signs of the stream.

Then they move on to a larger learning environment, the Lake Mattamuskeet National Wildlife Refuge in nearby Hyde County, where they spend three days collecting water and fish samples. Having filled their notebooks and Mason jars, the students spend the rest of the semester in the lab analyzing their samples, learning how to tell the age of fish and studying food habits. Rulifson helps his students with their analysis and compiling their tables, but the interpretation they present in the term papers is their own.

"There's no other class like it here where they can learn techniques they have to know in the real world of fisheries," he says.

Rulifson's enthusiasm shows when he talks about his students and his teaching methods. His face lights up, and his hands gesture energetically. While most professors on campus are similarly enthusiastic about their work, few have been at it as long as he has. Fall 2008 will mark his silver anniversary on the ECU campus. But after nearly 25 busy years, Rulifson is as enthusiastic about teaching and research as ever.

He is a senior scientist and professor in the Institute for Coastal and Marine Resources

and the Department of Biology and director of the Field Station for Coastal Studies at Mattamuskeet. He's won several awards and was named 2006-07 Advisor of the Year for his work with the student chapter of the American Fisheries Society. In the community, he is the lanky, dark-haired guitarist with the contra dance band Elderberry Jam and dances with the Green Grass Cloggers.

Rulifson majored in biology and French at the University of Dubuque in Iowa and completed his master's and doctoral work in marine science and engineering at N.C. State University. In the 1980s, he designed a junior-level marine biology course that allowed students to work in groups, much like professional scientists. The camaraderie helped students develop an affinity for ECU, create individual research projects that they conducted at the Duke Marine Lab on Pivers Island near Beaufort, and showed Rulifson "whether a student was a leader or follower and whether they followed through. The class format gave me something real to say about them to potential employers." Because of increased undergraduate enrollment, Rulifson had to transfer the collegial atmosphere to his senior- and graduate-level fisheries techniques courses.

Rulifson's lab averages seven to 10 students, and many later become professionals in local and national fisheries research and education. Charlton Godwin '01 '03 is the primary striped bass biologist for the N.C. Division of Marine Fisheries. Heidi Alderman '06 teaches high school biology in New Bern. Chad Smith '04 '06 coordinates the ECU-based Citizens' Monitoring Network, which recruits local volunteers to measure water

quality. Jen Cudney '04, who was a head technician in an aquatic ecology lab for the Ohio Division of Wildlife, entered ECU's coastal resources management PhD program this fall as Rulifson's assistant.

Rulifson's research for the past decade has focused on the spiny dogfish, which is the most common variety of shark. While not highly regarded in America, spiny dogfish are prized in many other cultures. "Spurdogs" are part of the British fish-n-chips basket. In France and Germany, pickled dogfish—"schillerlocken"—are served with beer. The fins are commonly used for soup in Asia.

Rulifson first became interested in dogfish in 1996 when two North Carolina commercial fishermen approached him. With support from North Carolina Sea Grant, Rulifson researched the fish population and learned the fishery had already started to crash.

He says that, compared to other fish, dogfish live longer and are slower to reach

reproductive age. They usually have six to 10 pups over a two-year period, whereas some fish can produce 40 million offspring in a single season. Thus, over-fishing can devastate dogfish populations much more rapidly, and they take longer to rebuild—perhaps 15 to 30 years.

The research by Rulifson and others led to the first international symposium on spiny dogfish in Seattle, Wash., in 2005. That was followed by an August 2007 conference at ECU where Rulifson and 14 international colleagues developed five hypotheses about dogfish. Now, collaboration among North Carolina and Canadian scientists could change policies enforced by the National Marine Fisheries Service.

Like birds that annually use the Atlantic Flyway, dogfish also move in established patterns, which scientists are starting to map. Rulifson says the U.S.-Canada partnership is vital because, "You've got to have people on both ends, just like working with migratory birds, but the difference with fish is you can't see them."

Every February, Rulifson and other scientists sail off the Outer Banks in a 180-foot research vessel where they catch, tag and release dogfish. The tags request that those who catch the fish relay the information to Rulifson, who has heard from fishermen in South Carolina, Georgia and Florida. Next, Rulifson plans to implant radio transmitters in the tags to more closely track the migratory patterns of dogfish.

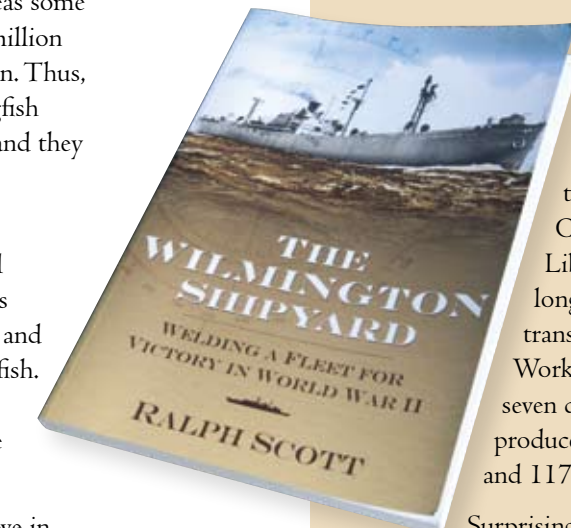
Rulifson believes his research is important because dogfish are an important food source and a bellwether of the health of other species. "That's why I've been so interested to keep working. I've come to actually like the little critters. They do kind of look like a dog."



Steve Taylor



Roger Rulifson



Books by ECU faculty

Where cargo ships from the Far East and Europe now unload freight containers at the N.C. Ports Authority in Wilmington once stood a sprawling shipyard where 25,000 workers built Liberty ships for service during World War II. Few people now remember the key role that Wilmington played in the war effort, an oversight that has been corrected with publication of *The Wilmington Shipyard: Welding a Fleet for Victory in World War II* by East Carolina rare book curator Ralph Scott.

The slim volume meticulously recounts the creation and brief existence—from 1941 through 1946—of the North Carolina Shipbuilding Corp. Created as an extension of the giant shipyards at Newport News, Va., the Wilmington yard contracted with the U.S. Maritime Commission to produce Liberty ships—440-foot-long workhorses used to transport cargo and troops. Working 24 hours a day, seven days a week, the yard produced 126 Liberty ships and 117 Victory-class vessels.

Surprisingly, only 21 of the ships were torpedoed during the war; most survived well into the 1960s and '70s as U.S. Navy and Coast Guard ships. None survive today.

"Just as the vessels built by the yard were an important factor in the Allied victory, so the yard itself became a major shaper of Wilmington's role as a major Atlantic coast port," Scott said.

The Wilmington Shipyard: Welding a Fleet for Victory in World War II

History Press, 158 pages, \$19.99

DEPTH CHART

Success in sports now depends on some unusual team members.

By Bethany Bradsher



ECU's football video coordinator Will Davis

The ECU Sports Department has one important thing in common with most businesses in the private sector: Payroll is its biggest budget expense. The department employs about 120 full-time staff and scores of part-timers. A few are marquee names—Holtz, Holland—but most are administrative people who do mundane work behind the scenes. But sports is a team effort, and at ECU, the work of people at the bottom of the organization chart is recognized. You could say they are listed on the depth chart.

For example, when he was introduced as the new men’s basketball coach, Mack McCarthy offered some comments that may have sounded odd to ECU sports fans. To support his assertion that “a lot of progress has been made in this program,” McCarthy pointed to:

“Renovated offices, the recruiting database, the video scouting situation, the academic support program. It is at the level that we need to win, both financially and personnel wise. The people that we have to support us—the senior administrative staff, the sports information staff, the business office, the compliance people—all the people are in place to give us the support we need to grow as a basketball program.”

The message? When it comes to winning in basketball, dominant post players and guards with a smooth jump shot aren’t enough anymore. Wins in basketball, football and all other sports are also a product of skilled computer operators, state-of-the-art video equipment, sharp-penciled accountants and many others who labor behind the scenes.

Will Davis has a glamorous title—football video coordinator—but his days are usually consumed with the minutiae of filming every minute of every football practice as well as the games themselves. In the off-season, he films the strength and conditioning drills that every player participates in so that the coaching staff can analyze their progress. He works exclusively with a digital camera so that the video can be transmitted, edited and viewed on a computer.

Nearby, Scott Wetherbee is hard at work in an office he likes to call “the belly lint of the athletic department.” His specialty, and the reason he was hired four years ago, is the sale and distribution of tickets to Pirate sporting events, which increasingly is done by computer.

Wetherbee is an expert at a computerized ticketing system called Paciolan, a system he mastered in previous jobs at Fresno State

and San Diego State. “When I first got here, we were definitely behind in the ticket office area,” says Wetherbee, whose title is assistant athletics director of ticket operations. “This system allows us to have online ticketing. We have a massive database, between 60,000 and 70,000 names, and we’re up to 35,000 e-mail addresses we can correspond with.”

Another Pirate employee with an inordinate number of balls in the air is J.J. McLamb,

the assistant athletics director for administrative affairs. McLamb oversees all athletic construction projects and also has a hand in the department’s operations, which includes all of the logistics required to stage a Pirate home game.

The work they do, and the contributions by dozens of other employees of the Department of Athletics, are largely invisible to the fans who sit in the stands. But officials insist that without them it would be difficult if not impossible for East Carolina to field competitive sports teams. The viewpoint espoused by Athletics Director Terry Holland is that everyone who works in sports is a member of the team. He says the challenge he and his senior staff embrace is how to most efficiently coordinate the sports staff for the maximum benefit of the players and the fans.

Much of that coordination occurs at weekly meetings of the senior athletics staff. Every Wednesday morning, Holland and his key lieutenants gather to compare notes to ensure that departments they oversee are pursuing their distinct tasks with the same vision. The agenda is often concerned with near-term issues: Is everything necessary in place to stage a sporting event that will be attended by thousands of people? Money and budgets are also a regular topic.

Given the increasing complexity and cost of running a Division I sports program and complying with NCAA regulations, it’s not surprising that many of ECU’s top sports administrations are people like Director of Athletic Business Barry Brickman, who acquired his skills not on the playing field but in graduate school; he holds a master’s degree in sports administration from Ohio University.

Ohio University was the first school to realize the need for professionalism in sports. Now more than 200 universities in the country—including East Carolina—offer some type of sport management degree either for undergraduate or graduate students. At ECU, sport management is a master’s-level program designed to be

completed in two years. Forty-five students currently are working on completing the degree, says Stacey Altman, who coordinates the program.

“As sport has become more sophisticated, the business acumen has been that much more important,” says Altman, who has directed the program since it started nearly five years ago. Holland and his department have been willing partners with the sport management program, Altman says. Many of the master’s sport management students get internships within Pirate athletics. These internships allow them to specialize in anything from facilities to turf management to academic advising.

Managing the money

East Carolina’s sports budget has more than doubled in the last 10 years to \$23.4 million, a rise that closely parallels the growth in the student body and the university’s expectation that Pirate athletes will be successful on the field and in the classroom.

ECU now fields 21 varsity teams and supports them with a web of complex systems whose overarching goal is to win games and create a favorable impression of the university far beyond Greenville. With 120 full-time employees, the sports department is comparable in size to the ECU

How do we compare?

The \$23.4 million that East Carolina will spend on sports programs this year sounds like a lot of money. But how does that compare with other schools? To get that information, we e-mailed the sports information directors at a dozen universities, mostly those on ECU’s football schedule and a few that aren’t.

We heard back from nine. Of those, the three private schools said they don’t disclose that information. Six schools responded with their budget numbers, as grouped below.

A word of caution: There is no exact apples-to-apples comparison with these numbers. Schools account differently for sports income and expenses. Example: Some sports budgets carry travel expenses for the band and cheerleaders, some don’t.

NORTH CAROLINA SCHOOLS

UNC Chapel Hill	\$51 million
N.C. State University	\$37.1 million
Appalachian State University	\$9.5 million

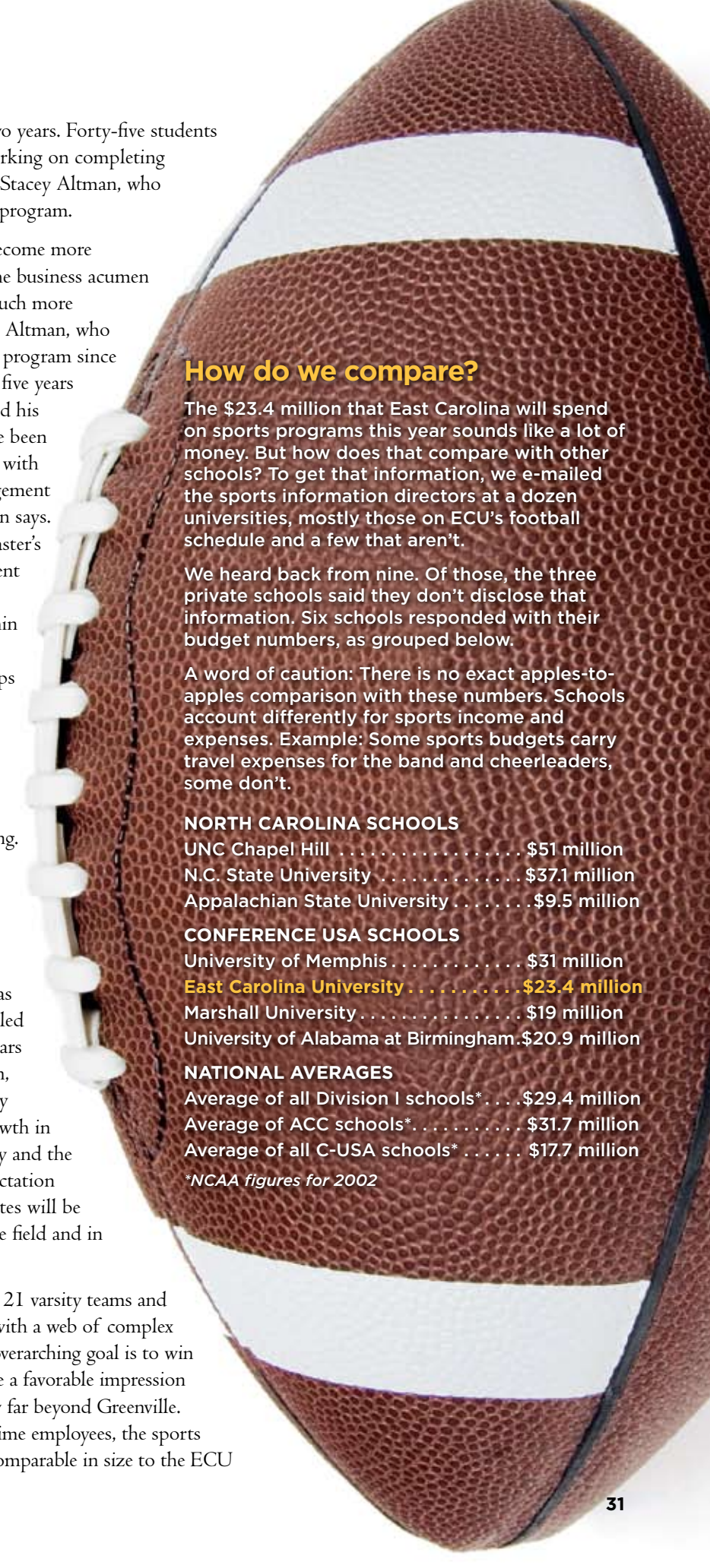
CONFERENCE USA SCHOOLS

University of Memphis	\$31 million
East Carolina University	\$23.4 million
Marshall University	\$19 million
University of Alabama at Birmingham	\$20.9 million

NATIONAL AVERAGES

Average of all Division I schools*	\$29.4 million
Average of ACC schools*	\$31.7 million
Average of all C-USA schools*	\$17.7 million

*NCAA figures for 2002



Director of Athletic Business
Barry Brickman



College of Business, which has 129 faculty members. Thus, the championship trophy like the one the Lady Pirates basketball team brought home in the spring is covered with the symbolic fingerprints of staff who work behind the scenes to tutor the athletes, book airplane tickets, maintain equipment and push through purchase orders.

In his 11 years on campus, Brickman has seen the sports budget more than double from \$9.8 million. In something of an understatement, Brickman observes that “it’s more of a business now.”

As one might suppose, football represents the largest single sports expenditure at \$6 million this year. But second is administration at \$2.5 million. Men’s basketball is third at \$1.3 million. For accounting purposes, each sport is treated separately, with the salaries of coaches and assistant coaches grouped with other staff who work just for that team. Sitting atop those individual clusters are key administrators who provide support for all the teams. These 16 individuals compose the senior staff that report directly to Holland.

On paper at least, the budget and the organizational structure of ECU’s sports department compares with a diversified manufacturing or service business. But Holland cautions against drawing a lot of parallels between the business of sports and the real business world. The biggest mistake is assuming that dollars spent translate into wins on the field. “Many of our expenses are market driven but we must carefully avoid the assumption that the amount of money spent equates directly to success,” Holland says. “If that were true, Appalachian State could never beat Michigan and Boise State could never beat Oklahoma.”

And while the only objective of a real business is to earn profits, Executive Associate Athletics Director Nick Floyd points out that a university sports program pursues multiple objectives and serves multiple constituencies, all of which make managing collegiate athletics a unique challenge.

Growing the brand

None of the funding for athletics comes from tax dollars. So where does the money come from? The largest single source—\$9.1 million this year—comes from the activity fees that all students pay as part of their tuition. The second-largest source of revenue is the sale of football tickets, which will amount to about \$5 million this year. The two other major sources of revenue are donations from the Pirate Club, which reached a record \$3.6 million this year, and distributions from the NCAA and Conference USA, at \$2.3 million.

The sharp growth in the sports budget can be traced to a greater emphasis on the so-called minor sports. Traditionally, the university paid only one person to coach the men’s and women’s tennis, golf, track and field and swimming teams. Now, all of them except swimming have separate coaching staffs. At the same time, ECU is pursuing a strategy that any CEO would find familiar; it’s spending money to make money.

“Most of the investment from the increased budget is to expand our revenue operations—fund raising, marketing, promotions and public relations,” Holland says. The best example of that is the business deal the university reached with ISP Sports last year that gives the company exclusive rights to market ECU sports. The deal covers radio and television programming, signage in all campus athletic venues and other promotions. ECU gets a guaranteed rights fee plus additional financial considerations based upon revenue generated by ISP.

Since then, ISP has grown the Pirate Sports Radio Network to

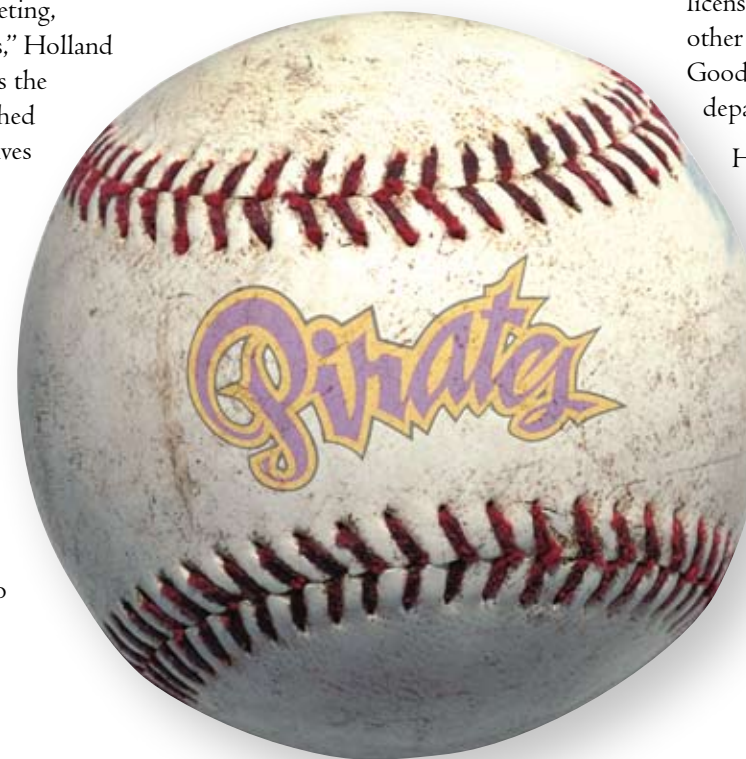
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—Terry Holland

19 stations, courted national advertisers for Pirate broadcasts and turned over \$535,000 to ECU as its portion of the proceeds.

“The corporate partners that we’re now cooperating with are helping us sell Pirate athletics in every corner of North Carolina,” said Jimmy Bass, the senior associate athletics director for external operations who works directly with ISP.

The ISP deal is an example of the new philosophy of sports management, which boils down to a simple objective: Don’t put all of your eggs in one basket, and shoot for balanced growth. “Literally, the growth has taken place pretty much throughout our



entire program,” says Executive Associate Athletics Director Nick Floyd.

Investments paying off

Growth on the business side of East Carolina’s sports program has been noticeable since Holland’s arrival here three years ago. But observers say the larger staffs he has hired and the greater emphasis he placed on planning is beginning to pay off. “We went ahead and somewhat put the cart before the horse in trying to really build a foundation

under our program, before some of these things took off,” Floyd says. “But if we hadn’t done that, with the explosion we’ve had of ticket sales and Pirate Club donations, we wouldn’t have been able to handle it.”

For the first time ever, season football tickets sold out in August this year, with more than 6,000 packages sold than in any other year. Pirate Club membership and donations reached an all-time high. The club set a goal of 12,000 members and reached 12,302. It hoped to raise \$4.5 million for scholarships and actually raised nearly \$5 million. The university experienced a record year in revenues from logo merchandise after new licensing deals made the caps, jerseys and other apparels available in Dick’s Sporting Goods, Hibbett Sports, Wal-Mart and other department stores.

Holland says the next major area of growth in ECU sports probably will be in facilities. Many of ECU’s non-revenue sports need new or improved arenas, he says. There’s also talk about a major fund-raising drive to expand the football stadium beyond its current 43,000 capacity.

But for the time being, Floyd says ECU has about the right number of people to chart a course into an even more ambitious future.

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One award winner is Aadil Lodhi of Fayetteville, a senior who is pursuing a double major in physics and biology. “It is through efforts such as this that encourage students to excel not only in the classroom, but in all aspects of life,” he said. “The association’s efforts will surely go a long way in helping to

develop ECU as an institution for greater excellence. The real reward belongs to you all, who have put countless time and effort for continued success in our community.”

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Board of Visitors leaders named



Carl W. Davis Jr. '73 of Raleigh was elected chairman of the ECU Board of Visitors for the coming year. Davis is assistant general manager of the UNC Center for Public

Television. He is also a member of the Chancellors Society and the Pirate Club. He succeeds **Doug Byrd** '69 of Fayetteville, who had chaired the board since 2004.

Steve Jones '91 of Raleigh, an executive with RBC Centura Bank, was elected vice chair and **Tully M. Ryan** '91 of Edenton, the founder of Broad Street Software Group, was elected secretary.

New members appointed to the Board of Visitors by the Board of Trustees include: **Olivia Collier** '02 '04 of Fuquay-Varina, the Appalachian Regional Commission program manager for the N.C. Department of Commerce; **Donald Davis** '01 '07, the mayor of Snow Hill; **Angela Nix Moss** '97 '98 of Raleigh, a former ECU SGA president who works with UNC Management Co.; **Benjamin A. Parrott** '93 '98 of Greenville, a sales specialist with Cephalon; **Faye H. Bordeaux** '91 of Grimesland, who owns and directs Greenville’s Cambridge Behavioral Health Services; **Gloria Chance** '88 of Huntersville, the chief e-commerce officer for Wachovia Corp. in Charlotte; **D. Reid Tyler** '81 '83 of Raleigh, executive vice president of Keystone Corp.; **Michael Moseley** '80 of Kinston, director of the N.C. Division of Mental Health, Developmental Disabilities and Substance Abuse Services; **Stephen Brown** '78 of Raleigh, vice president and director of leasing for Kane Realty; **Joe Durham** '77 of Raleigh, Wake County deputy county manager; **William W. Phipps** '74 of Tabor City, a partner in the law firm Soles, Phipps,

Ray & Prince; **Joe Tart** '69 of Dunn, an attorney; and **William P. Steed** '68 of Advance, a retired school superintendent.

Come watch the game!

Alumni will gather in homes and bars for the final televised football game of the year on Nov. 24. Alumni chapters held game-watching parties this fall in Atlanta, Central Florida, Central Virginia, Charlotte, Frederick, MD, North Texas, Raleigh, Tidewater, Va., Washington, D.C., and Wilmington.

Game watches are not limited to football. With basketball and baseball games on the calendar, our volunteers are working to plan more game watches at a city near you. The East Carolina Alumni Association is happy to assist any alumni in coordinating game watches. We will send announcement and reminder e-mails to alumni in the area, post the game watch on our web site, and we’ll even send a bounty of Pirate booty to share with attendees. Contact the Alumni Association at 800-ECU-GRAD or e-mail us at alumni@piratealumni.com to get started.

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Be sure to save the date for these upcoming Alumni Association events. For details, visit PirateAlumni.com/upcomingevents.

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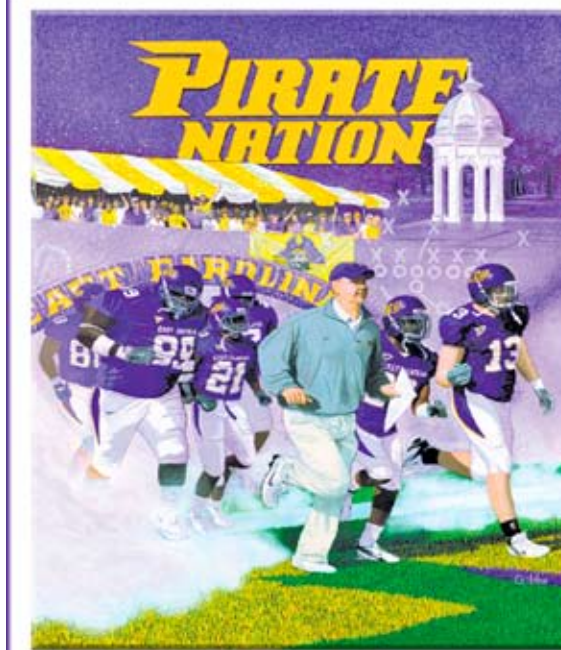


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2007 BRANDON LEE MANNING and Hannah Brooks Doughtie were married June 9 in Cancun, Mexico. He works for Greenville's Rivers and Associates. TARA MASSOOD is assistant business manager at Thomasville Stores of New Jersey's East Hanover location.

2006 DIANA L. DILLARD is a certified nurse practitioner at the Roanoke Clinic, Halifax Regional Medical Center's family medical office. ERIC COLE FEYER and Anne Michelle Williams were married June 24. He works for Feyer Ford, Lincoln, Mercury of Williamston. NANCY HILL, sales coordinator for the Greenville Hilton's banquet department, was the April 2007 employee of the month. MICHELLE LEE HUNCKLER and KYLE MITCHELL STOKES '07 were married June 23 in Clemmons. She works for Pitt County Schools and he works with Dr. Elizabeth Mullett and Associates. THOMAS MASSENGILL, a mortgage loan officer for BB&T in Carrollton, Ga., completed BB&T's leadership development program. ADAM BRADY MURPHY and Tiffany Leigh Williams were married June 16 at New River Air Station Protestant Chapel. He is a customer service representative for HD Supply Waterworks. Navy Seaman CHRISTOPHER M. NELSON completed basic training at Recruit Training Command, Great Lakes, Ill. MICHAEL ROWE of Hackettstown, N.J., graduated from the Game Face Executive Academy in Portland, Ore., and has an inside sales position with Major League Soccer's New York Red Bulls. LINDSEY LEIGH TAYLOR and Daniel Bryan Haddock were married June 16. She teaches kindergarten in Beaufort County. TARA LOUISE THACH and Dana Christopher Stroud were married May 19. She works at PCMH and they live in Snow Hill. CATHERINE NOBLE WHITEHURST and Joel Christian Grimm were married June 30 in Bethel. She is a planner for Craven County government in New Bern, where they live.

2005 JESSICA MARIE CIMO and Darrell Robert Jefferson were married May 12. She is a nurse in PCMH's neonatal intensive care unit. ANDERSON CARDER FRUTIGER and MERANDA ANN ADAMS '07 were married June 16. She is a dietetic intern at ECU and he is part owner of ASAP Photo and Camera. They live in Greenville. JARED BLAKE GRAY and ELIZABETH DARE NELSON '06 were married June 10 at Yankee Hall Plantation. Living in Greenville, she works for Brantley, Jenkins, Riddle, Hardee & Hardee and he works at HML Site Development. DONNA LLOYD '05 '07 is a basic skills instructor at Sampson Community College.



More than 800 Wake County kids are acquiring the same love for dance that Marilyn Chappell '90 learned from a former Rockette when she was growing up in New York City. The small dance studio that Chappell and her husband, Chris Chappell '89, opened in Holly Springs south of Raleigh in 1998 has grown into one of the largest in the area.

Fueling that growth have been two principles that the Chappells firmly believe in: Dance should be a community art instead of a discipline limited to studios, competitions and metropolitan stages. And teachers should be role models of community involvement. Now an at-large board member of the N.C. Dance Alliance, she was the Raleigh Jaycees' 1996 Young Educator of the Year and the 2000 winner of the Triangle Community Foundation's Artist in Community Service Award. She and her husband shared the 2001 Holly Springs Citizen of the Year recognition for helping with the town's Center for the Arts.

Amy White, a senior dance education major at ECU doing her student teaching at Raleigh's Enloe High School, is one of Chappell's many success stories. About her six years at HSSD, she says, "I learned that I should stay true to myself and just dance without worrying about others: 'Dance as if no one is watching.'"

As the Holly Springs School of Dance approaches its 10th anniversary, Chappell hopes its goal of "using our gifts and talents to the betterment of our community" continues to cultivate dancers in "a place where kids can be creative, where we provide many opportunities for growth as an artist as well as human beings."

—Leanne E. Smith



Marty Dickens '69 of Nashville, Tenn., announced his retirement as president of AT&T Tennessee, a position he has held since 1999. He said he plans to remain active in civic affairs in Nashville, where he recently was honored as Outstanding Nashvillian of the Year by the city's Kiwanis Club. Dickens is chairman of the board of trustees of Belmont College, a large Baptist-affiliated school in Nashville. He has served on the local boards for the YMCA, Boy Scouts, Vanderbilt's Blair School of Music, Adventure Science Center and the Fellowship of Christian Athletes as well as the corporate boards of Genesco and First American Financial Holdings. He is a past chairman of the Nashville Convention and Visitors Bureau and the Nashville Area Chamber of Commerce. He currently heads the Music City Center Coalition, a business group advocating for a new downtown convention center.

Alumni Spotlight



Bernie Gyant '89 was appointed supervisor of the Siuslaw National Forest in Corvallis, Ore. The forest covers 630,000 acres, stretching 135 miles along the Oregon coastline and 27 miles inland. Gyant was deputy forest supervisor for the White Mountain National Forest in New Hampshire. He's considered an expert in threatened and endangered species, forest thinning and community collaboration.

A native of High Point who played football at ECU for three years, Gyant, 41, worked for two years after graduating as a strength and conditioning coach for the team. He began his Forest Service career in 1991 at the Nantahala National Forest near Asheville and held subsequent posts at Croatan National Forest in New Bern and Francis Marion Sumter National Forests in South Carolina. In 1999, he became the deputy district ranger of the Appalachian National Forest in Florida. Following that, he had assignments on the Chattahoochee-Oconee National Forests in Georgia and the George Washington and Jefferson National Forests in Virginia.

"I'm coming to a forest with a great reputation for restoration and strong collaboration with communities," Gyant said. "I've gained experience through my background in fisheries, love of fishing and work with the red-cockaded woodpecker. All of this will help me serve local communities and Siuslaw employees."



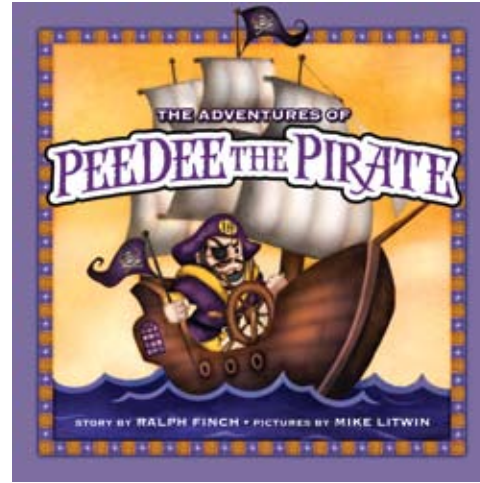
Sue Price Wilson '75, the veteran Associated Press journalist who runs the AP's North Carolina bureau, has had South Carolina added to her beat and now is responsible for both Carolinas. Wilson, based in Raleigh, has managed AP operations in North Carolina since 1999. A native of Goldsboro, she joined the AP in 1976 in Raleigh as state broadcast editor. She became the bureau's news editor in 1996 and was promoted to bureau chief in 1999. She worked at the *Goldsboro News-Argus* during her high school years and at the *Daily Reflector* while attending ECU. She gets around Raleigh on a red scooter and keeps in constant touch with a Treo personal digital assistant. She takes her scooter with her when vacationing at Beaufort. "Going over the bridges was a bit nerve wracking the first time," she said.

ROBIN RENEE REASON and Ralph Wayne Lilley Jr. were married July 21 in Jamesville, where they live. She teaches business at Bear Grass High School. **SARAH MEAGAN STRICKLAND** and Brandt Allen Baker were married May 19 at Yankee Hall Plantation. She works at AutoMax of Greenville.

2004 **DR. JENNIFER LOCKLEAR** is a family medicine physician at Harris Family Medicine, which is part of Scotland Health Care System in Laurinburg. **MARY ELIZABETH NORTON** of Laurinburg and **JOHN WESLEY QUICK III '05** of Greensboro were married June 30 in Laurel Hill. She teaches at Wagram Primary School, and he is a CPA with KPMG LLP. **JESSICA LYNN SHAW** and **CHRISTOPHER MARTIN DECKER '05** were married Aug. 4 in Kinston. She is a nurse at PCMH and he is a computer technician for Lenoir County Schools. **LEANNE E. SMITH '04 '06** is the author of *East Carolina University: Off the Record* (2007), which offers "insider info" about aspects of the student experience at ECU. The guidebook is geared to high school juniors and seniors who are considering attending ECU, but is also appropriate for ECU students who are new to college life. **KURT WAYNE WEAVER** and Angela Jean Gfeller were married July 7 in Mount Pleasant Chapel at Tanglewood Park in Clemmons. They live in Winston-Salem. He is a senior graphic designer for PinPoint Creative Group.

2003 **JAMES RUSSELL ORR '03 '04** and Jennifer Lynne White were married Aug. 3. They live in Winterville and he works in decision sciences at ECU. **PAUL "COREY" SCHMIDT** and **JEANA HARRIS '03 '05** of Cary were married March 13, 2004. He lettered in football at ECU and is a construction manager for ExperienceOne Homes. As a pricing analyst at SAS Institute, she works in pricing and policy support for the U.S. government business unit. **LEIGH ANN VINCENT** and Bryan Emerson Bell were married July 7. She is a nurse with Greenville's Physicians East.

2002 **KEVIN BRIGHTON** is co-owner of Chefs 505 in Greenville and of Chefs 105, which opened in Morehead City in April. **TRACY COLE-WILLIAMS**, former principal of Greenville's Eastern Elementary School, is the new principal at Winterville's A.G. Cox Middle School. **KILEY NICOLE CRAWFORD** and James Matthew Pigg were married Aug. 18 in Bethel. She is a senior financial analyst in hardware accounting at IBM in Research Triangle Park. **CHRISTOPHER FREDERICK** and **JENNIFER STROUD '03** of Annandale, Va., were married April 21 in New Bern. He works for SAIC in McLean, Va., and she works for Novak Biddle Venture in Bethesda, Md. **RYAN SCOTT HARRIS** and **JENNIFER LEIGH YORK '06** were married July 7. She is a visual merchandiser for Belk, and he is a marketing representative for Federated



This collaboration of alumni Ralph Finch '67 and Mike Litwin '01 follows PeeDee through his first day as an ECU Pirate. All net proceeds benefit East Carolina. The book is available at www.adventuresofpeede.com.

Insurance. **DR. EARL MOORE** is the new principal at C.B. Aycock High School in Wayne County. He taught business and marketing there for 23 years before becoming assistant principal at Meadow Lane Elementary School and principal at Brogden Middle School. **KELLY ELIZABETH NOTTINGHAM '02 '06** and Matthew Thomas Davis were married June 30 at Yankee Hall Plantation. She is a media coordinator at Greenville's Wellcome Middle School. He is a sales representative for Hardware Suppliers of America. **MIKE POWELL**, who was a commercial lines account executive for Ward Insurance in Eugene, Ore., is now a commercial lines agent with the Greenville branch of Southern Insurance Agency. **HOLLY SCOTT** and **MIKE HARRINGTON '03 '04** were married Dec. 2, 2006, in Manteo. A Greenville native and former ECU baseball player, he is the new corporate general manager at Resort Realty of the Outer Banks. At 25, he is the youngest real estate general manager on the Outer Banks. A Kinston native, she is the new wedding director/facility manager at Mallards Marsh in Wanchese. **JOHN BROOKS SOUTHWORTH** and **MEREDITH LEIGH DEANS '06** were married June 16 in Washington. He is an instructional technology consultant at ECU, and she teaches English at South Central High School. **KATIE TINKLER**, who has experience in technology sales, joined the Cary real estate division of Coldwell Banker Howard Perry and Walston. **SYDNOR COZART WILLIAMS** and William McDaniel Greene were married June 23 in Beaufort and they live in Raleigh.

2001 **ANNE MONROE DERVIN '01 '04** of Winston-Salem received her doctorate of music in clarinet performance at Michigan State University. A former N.C. Symphony member, she has a special interest in Holocaust-inspired music and music written in the

concentration camps. **DR. SCOTT HOVIS** practices with Gastonia Surgical Associates at Gaston Memorial Hospital. **J.C. MOELLER** is commercial relationship manager of Capital Bank's Raleigh commercial team. **MICHAEL F. SANTOS** is co-owner of Chefs 505 in Greenville and of Chefs 105, which opened in Morehead City in April 2007. **KEISHA SHEPPERSON STEWART** of Garner is a biologist for Talecris Biotherapeutics and has two sons. As a softball player at ECU, she started in every game, and set school records for hits (316), runs (263) and doubles (75), and is second in home runs (26), bases on balls (124) and stolen bases (162).

2000 **WILL AYCOCK** is a tax manager for RSM McGladrey's Rocky Mount office. He has seven years of public and private sector accounting with individuals, corporations and non-profits. **CHESLEY "CHESS" GRAY BLACK IV** is director of campus services at Johnson & Wales University in Charlotte, where he was director of ITS after becoming assistant director for technology at UNC Charlotte. A former head drum major for the Marching Pirates, he is a conductor and adjudicator for several music programs and competitions. **KRIS LUNDBERG**, a New York City-based actress, played Bianca in, and was fight director for, Shakespeare's *The Taming of the Shrew* at the Carolinian Shakespeare Festival in New Bern. **NICK SCHNABEL**, who lettered twice as a second baseman at ECU, is an assistant baseball coach at Liberty University. He played for farm teams in the Montreal Expos organization and for the Harrisburg Senators. **FRANK WIGGINS** left his job as principal at Farmville's Sam D. Bundy Elementary School to return to Henderson.

1999 **MARY ELIZABETH HUGHES** and Randall Gilbert Manning were married Aug. 4 in Winterville. She works for Schering Plough Pharmaceuticals. **REBECCA M. THOMPSON** was promoted to senior account manager/group operations manager at The Planning Group in Wilson after five years with the 36-year-old financial planning company. **BRENT** and **AMANDA HANKS ANDERSON '00** had a daughter, Kyleigh Grace, who joined 3-year old brother Chase William, on July 18.

1998 **BRIAN FIELDS '98 '01** is a business banker at First Citizens Bank in Greenville. He is a former baseball pitcher for Greenville's J.H. Rose High School and ECU, and a member of the University City Kiwanis Club. **ANGELA MICHELLE MANNING** and Dr. Brian Christopher Vinson were married May 12 at Historic Red Banks Primitive Baptist Church in Greenville. She works for Shealy Electrical Wholesalers. **LESLIE LORRAINE MESSERLI MAYBERRY '98 '99** was promoted to chief financial officer at Eastern Radiologists in Greenville, where she was a controller. She is also a CPA with nine years of experience in finance. **LACEY ROLLINS**, originally of New Bern, is a vice president

and a team leader in Winston-Salem at BB&T, where she has worked since 1999. **ED WATKINS** is the jack man for NASCAR driver Elliott Sadler and a parts manager for Gillette Evernham Motorsports. On ECU's football team, he was a defensive lineman, guard and center from 1994 to 1996.

1997 **MICHAEL CLARK** of Laurinburg is an assistant vice-president and loan officer at First Capital Bank. He previously worked for RBC Centura and is active in the Laurinburg Optimist Club. **RYAN EDRIC FEATHERER** and Sarah Elizabeth Miles of Norfolk, Va., were married July 7. He is the orchestra director and fine arts department chair at Maury High School, where he was the 2007 teacher of the year, and where she is a social studies teacher. **CHRIS IVEY** was promoted from fitness supervisor to manager of Bladen Fitness Services in Elizabethtown. **CHRIS LENKER '97 '00** and **LAURA SHARP LENKER '99 '02** had their first child, Addison Cade, on May 23. **ADAM MCCOMB '97 '00** is the new director of parks and recreation in Surry County. A Yadkin County native, he was the recreation program supervisor for the Elkin Recreation and Parks Department for five years. For the N.C. Recreation and Parks Association, he is on the athletics director workshop steering committee and is the athletics division chair. He and his wife, **RUTHANN MCCOMB '96**, have two sons, Thomas and Luke. **BARBARA ANN WHITE** and Derrick Stancill Page were married April 21 in Hertford. They live in Winterville, and she is a laboratory specialist for the N.C. State Laboratory of Public Health.

1996 **JENNIFER BALL** is a community awareness coordinator for the Martin/Pitt Partnership for Children, the Smart Start agency for Martin and Pitt counties. **SONIA FOSTER**, a nursing professor at Catawba Valley Community College since 2003, received the Robert Scott Award from the N.C. Associate Degree Nursing Organization. She previously was with Catawba Valley Medical Center's Birthing Center and directed the independent nurse-midwifery practice at Catawba Women's Center. **NICOLE SMITH '96 '98 '04**, former assistant principal at Falkland Elementary School, is the new principal at Greenville's Eastern Elementary School. She was the Pitt County 2006 assistant principal of the year.

1995 **KAREN ELIZABETH FLOYD '95 '99** and **ENNIS LEE PEARCE III '97** were married June 16. At ECU, she works in advising and is pursuing a doctorate in educational leadership. He works for Nash-Rocky Mount Schools. **TODD REEVES FOWLER** of Concord, N.H., and Raleigh, and Sarah Kathryn Johnson of Winston-Salem were married June 2 at The Brookstown Inn in Winston-Salem. He works for TAC in North Andover, Mass., and they will live in Concord, N.H.

1994 EILEEN BARBOUR was promoted to assistant director of fitness services at Southeastern Lifestyle Center for Fitness and Rehabilitation in Lumberton. ANNETTE EUBANKS '94 '96 is the new regional long-term care ombudsman for the Mid-East Commission Area Agency on Aging, which serves Beaufort, Bertie, Hertford, Martin and Pitt counties. JIM HERRING of Hartsville, S.C., is a senior vice president and credit card products marketing/sales manager for Bank of America. He is married to BEVERLY HERRING '91 '93, a stay-at-home mother, and they have two children, Christian and Emily. STEPHANIE SUZANNE RAECHER MCDONALD '94 '97 of Chester, Va., who teaches fifth grade in Chesterfield County, was named 2007-08 Teacher of the Year for Ettrick Elementary School in Ettrick, Va. BRYAN J. RAITHEL '94 '96 of Cornelius is a hedge fund manager for a private equity firm in Charlotte after 10 years working with The Vanguard Group, and he married Collette McCune on June 9, 2006.

1993 DAVID ADAMS is the Raleigh city executive and leader of Capital Bank's Raleigh commercial team. JACQUELINE BOYD ELLIS is the new principal of Chapel Hill High School. She previously worked in Pitt, Guilford and Wake county schools, and was

an administrator at Durham's Riverside High School and Chapel Hill's Culbreth Middle School, where she was the 2005-06 Chapel Hill-Carrboro Principal of the Year. CHRIS GABRIEL of Charlotte was commissioned to create four bronze sculptures for the African Plains exhibit expansion at the N.C. Zoo in Asheboro. DR. VIRGINIA HARDY is the new senior associate dean for academic affairs at BSOM. She is also ECU's interim chief diversity officer and was associate dean for counseling and diversity and director of BSOM's academic support and enrichment center. MICHELLE LEE POPE SHILLING returned from her leave of absence taking care of 2-year-old Connor and 1-year-old Cassandra to teach second grade in Bradenton, Fla.

1992 GHANIM AL-SHIBLI is Iraq's ambassador to Australia. As a diplomat in the 1980s, he developed ties with the U.S. When he and his wife wanted to stay in the U.S. for their children's education, the government relocated them to Greenville in 1988 for protection. He attended graduate school and worked at East Carolina Vocational Center. In 2003, the U.S. government recruited him to help rebuild the Iraqi pool of diplomats. His projects in Australia, where there are about 80,000 Iraqis, include recruiting Iraqi scholarship students to attend school in Australia and

building trade relations. GREG GENTRY is the new athletics director for Winston-Salem/Forsyth County Schools. He was head football coach at Hillsborough-Orange County Schools for seven years. At Mount Tabor High School, he was a health and life skills teacher and a coach since 1998. RENEE CUNDIFF NAUFUL, the new coordinator for the evening MOPS groups, recently moved to Forest, Va., built a new house and gave birth to Dale Austin in November 2006. After having three children in five years, she returned to counseling trauma-suffering children part-time. LYNETTE PATRICIA SCHEHR and Mark W. Fenton were married Aug. 18. They live in Raleigh. JUDITH WILSON retired from Pitt County Schools after 22 years of teaching.

1991 MAJOR BARRETT JENKINS II, former assistant principal at North Pitt High School, is the new principal at Farmville's Sam D. Bundy Elementary School. He is on the board for N.C. Baptist Men, is a Boy Scout merit badge counselor and has adopted five children.

1990 JENNIFER BOGENN and her husband, Tim, manage a media transfer and video production company called INMOTION that converts slides, VHS and other

formats to DVD. They used to operate from their Greenville home as Digital Heirlooms. RONNIE ROACH is a mortgage banker on the Outer Banks. He and his wife, Lori, have two children. He is active in the Outer Banks Association of Realtors, Swim Club, YMCA, Dare County Parks and Recreation and First Flight Middle School PTA.

1989 DEBBIE G. VARGAS is executive director/CEO of the Greenville-Pitt County Convention and Visitors Bureau. She is on the boards for several tourism and business organizations, and has two sons. In 2001, she received the N.C. Travel Council Bill Sharpe Travel Award for her work in the travel industry.

1988 MELVIN HAWKINS '88 '99 '05 is the new principal at Camden County High School. He taught social studies in Pasquotank County for 10 years, was assistant principal at Camden County Middle School for four years, principal at Perquimans County High School, and was the first directory of secondary education for the Camden County School System. He was the 2005 Northeast Regional Principal of the Year. LT. COL. JON DAVID RANDEL transferred from a base in Honolulu, Hawaii, to one at Fort Bliss, Texas. He is a career Army space and missile defense officer who served in four operations: Desert Storm/Shield and Enduring/Iraqi Freedom. JOHN WRIGHT retired from Pitt County Schools after 22 years of teaching.

1987 CEDRIC L. ADDERLEY is associate vice-president for academic affairs at Claflin University in Orangeburg, S.C. He was assistant vice president for academic affairs for two years and music department chair for five years. SUSAN ANN DAVIS DIMEO of Sarasota, Fla., an occupational therapist and certified SaeboFlex therapist, was promoted to program champion for Sarasota HealthSouth's SaeboFlex arm training program, which uses procedures developed in Charlotte and a SaeboFlex dynamic hand splint to help individuals suffering from neurological injuries. SUSAN STEINMAN KOOSHA is a senior sales consultant for Novartis Pharmaceuticals. She was named best representative, won the President's Club and MVP awards and received \$5,000 for referring several key employees to the company. She lives in Malvern, Penn., with her husband and three children: Austin, Robert and Sophia. MICHAEL LAND, former principal at Walkertown Elementary School, is principal at Union Cross Elementary School in Kernersville. GEORGE GREGGORY OSBORNE '87 '89 was appointed assistant chief of police for the Gaston County Police Department in Gastonia after 17 years with the department. He and his wife, Angie, have a 5-year-old daughter, Reagan.



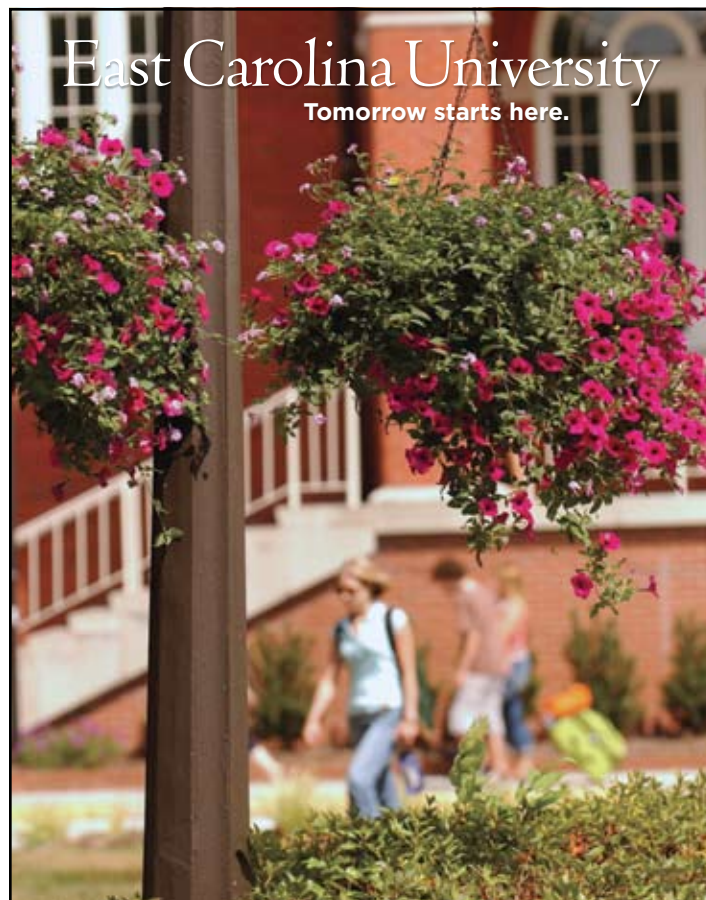
Marine Capt. **Robert P. Rutter IV** '03 won \$500,000 on the Fox TV show *Are You Smarter than a Fifth Grader?* during an appearance on the quiz show in September. He told host Jeff Foxworthy that he majored in information management at East

Carolina and compiled a 3.9 grade point average. Below are the questions Rutter was asked. The correct answers he gave are below.

- For \$1,000:** What is the only U.S. national holiday that always falls on a Thursday?
- For \$2,000:** True or false: The sum of two whole numbers is always another whole number?
- For \$5,000:** How many adjectives are in the following sentence: Spencer takes good care of his hairy dog.
- For \$10,000:** What is the last stage that a butterfly goes through before it becomes an adult? A. Pupa; B. Larva; C. Egg
- For \$25,000:** Muscles are attached to bones by which of the following: A. Ligaments; B. Tendons; C. Marrow
- For \$50,000:** The leaf of what tree is on the Canadian national flag?
- For \$100,000:** The Ganges River flows through Bangladesh and what other country?
- For \$175,000:** How many watts are used during one kilowatt hour?
- For \$300,000:** Who was the only person to be elected U.S. president four times?
- For \$500,000:** Ivan the Terrible was a czar of what country?

Rutter declined to attempt to answer the \$1 million question, which was: Which Frenchman was the first European explorer to navigate the St. Lawrence River in Canada? The correct answer is Jacques Cartier.

Answers: 1. Thanksgiving. 2. True. 3. One. 4. Pupa. 5. Tendons. 6. Maple. 7. India. 8. One thousand. 9. Franklin D. Roosevelt. 10. Russia.



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1986 EDWIN M. "SANDY" HARDY, a lawyer in Greenville and Washington, is chair of the Beaufort County Hospital trustees. MARK VAUGHN of Wake Forest is senior vice president and compliance manager at Crescent State Bank. As a certified regulatory compliance officer, he is a member of the Institute of Certified Bankers.

1985 CAPT. JERRY DILSAVER '85 of Oak Island was named to the Southern Kingfish Association Hall of Fame. He is a writer and photographer for sports publications and founded the North and South Carolina Sportsman Fishing Schools and Monthly Seminar Series, for which he spends about 70 days annually sharing information about recreational, tournament and commercial fishing. He is married to fellow award-winning angler DONNA MOONEYHAM '84 '91. KEVIN WILLIAMS, who was recently the head golf pro at Walnut Creek Country Club, returned to ECU to be the women's golf coach. In 2000, he was the first coach for the team, and in 2003 and 2005, he led them to NCAA at-large bids.

1984 EARNEST BYNER was inducted into the Georgia Sports Hall of Fame 2008 class. Originally of Milledgeville, Ga., he led ECU's football team in rushing in 1983 and in 1992 was the leading rusher for the Super Bowl champions Washington Redskins. In his 14-year NFL career he was selected for the Pro Bowl twice. DONALD FENTON MADDREY of Lorton, Va., a commercial research coordinator/analyst with C.B. Richard Ellis in McLean, Va., received an MS in real estate from the Carey School of Business at Johns Hopkins in May. JOHN WHICHARD is a project estimator with B&M Construction of Rocky Mount. He and his wife, JENNIFER WHICHARD, live in Rocky Mount.

1983 ROLANDA BEST '83 '03, who was an N.C. Principal Fellow, is the new principal at Greenwood Middle School. She taught math at Southern Wayne and Spring Creek high schools for 17 years before being named assistant principal at Spring Creek Elementary and Greenwood Middle schools. JULIA CLARK BROOKS, the assistant director of N.C. State University's College of Agriculture and Life Sciences Alumni and Friends

Society, received the 2007 Award of Excellence for outstanding achievement from the college. GREGG HOWE '83 '87, a Michigan State professor who said he decided to study plants after seeing an ECU professor behead a rat in class, has been researching plant resistance to pests for a decade. With his farming family background and current focus on tomato plant systems and their insect and disease defense mechanisms, he hopes to help develop environmentally friendly ways to control crop pests that would also protect water supplies and consumers from harmful chemical pesticides.

1982 VERNIE DOVE JR., who has more than 23 years experience in insurance, is a Raleigh-based producer with the independent John Hackney Agency of Rocky Mount. RUTH EMILY LYTTLE-BARNABY of Ft. Collins, Colo., is executive director of community and foundation development for Poudre Valley Health System. She also manages the foundation for the new Medical Center of the Rockies that will raise funds for cardiac and trauma research and education. DR. LINDA NELMS is the new vice president for student services at Wayne Community College, which is

celebrating its 50th anniversary. She has administrative experience at UNC Wilmington and Whiteville's Southeastern Community College and is the N.C. Community College System's educational consultant/distance learning coordinator. JANE WALSTON is the new director of exceptional children/instructional support services for Wayne County Schools. Starting in 1996, she was coordinator of the academically and intellectually gifted program.

1981 WILLIAM JAMES "JIM" PAYNE '81 '82 '83 of Greensboro and JULIE WARD '82 of Marietta, Ga., were married May 28 at Warwick Bay Beach, Bermuda. He is vice-president of supply chain for GoldtoeMoretz. She relocated her CPA practice to North Carolina. The family, including children Eric, Wil and Rachel, lives in Summerfield.

1980 J.C. BASNIGHT is the new superintendent at Fayetteville's Northwood Temple Academy. He was vice-president of academic and student services at Fayetteville Technical Community College. DR. BERNADETTE GREGORY WATTS, a Greenville native, received the 2007 Susie W. Jones Award from the national alumnae association for Greensboro's Bennet College for Women. From 1971 to 2002, she held several state-level administrative positions in the N.C. Cooperative Extension Service. The annual professional development scholarship for cooperative extension employees is named for her, as is the highest award of excellence given by the N.C. Association of Extension Program Assistants, Associates and Technicians. Now retired, she is a motivational speaker and educational consultant and president of Durham's Bennett College alumnae chapter and the GIHS-C.M. Eppes High School Alumni Heritage Society.

1979 REBECCA COBURN BROWN of Plymouth retired from the Washington County School District after 29 years. Her career includes 28 years teaching English and 11 years as a distance learning coordinator. She was named 2006-07 facilitator of the year, a statewide recognition from LEARN NC.

1978 JANE TUCKER retired from Pitt County Schools after 28 years of teaching. MARJORIE ELLEN RIDDLE WATSON '78 '82 of Sanford completed 30 years of state service, teaching for 28 of those years, and recently received her national board certification for teaching exceptional children.

1977 MAMIE DAVIS '77 '81 retired from Pitt County Schools after 19 years of teaching. MARVIN E. "MARK" GARNER JR. passed the American Institute of Certified Planners exam. He is an owner of and board member for Rivers

& Associates, where he has 30 years of experience as a planning consultant for eastern North Carolina governments. NANCY HARRIS retired from Pitt County Schools after 30 years of teaching. LU ANN NEESE '77 '85 retired from Pitt County Schools after 30 years of teaching.

1976 LT. COL GLENN HARMON was named an outstanding professor at Embry Riddle Aeronautical University in Daytona Beach, Fla., where he is in his second year as an assistant professor of aeronautical science. Retired from the Air Force, he uses his military and civilian flight background in teaching aeronautics and flight physiology. SUSAN MANNING retired from Pitt County Schools after 26 years of teaching. FREDERICK M. RICHARDSON of Blacksburg, Va., received professor emeritus status from Virginia Tech, where he started working in 1980. He taught accounting and information systems, and from 1995 to 1996 was president of the Beta Alpha Psi professional society. ISABELLE WICKER '76 '91 retired from Pitt County Schools as a principal after 41 years in education.

1975 MARTHA BLACKWELDER retired from Pitt County Schools after 32 years as a media coordinator. MARTHA GORE '75 '78 retired from Pitt County Schools after 19 years of teaching.

1974 DEBORAH EVANS retired from Pitt County Schools after 33 years of teaching. ALLAN WILSON retired from Pitt County Schools after 34 years of coaching.

1973 ALICE KEENE '73 '80, special projects coordinator with Pitt County Community Schools and Recreation, received the N.C. Recreation and Parks Association's Distinguished Fellow Award in August at the joint N.C./S.C. Recreation and Parks convention in Charleston, S.C.

1972 SHELBY BULLOCK '72 '85 retired from Pitt County Schools after 35 years of teaching. STEPHEN M. RUSSELL '72 '77, an attorney and director with Bell, Davis & Pitt in Winston-Salem, was elected to a one-year term as president of the Forsyth County Bar Association. His specialties are civil litigation, professional malpractice, legal malpractice, business torts, contracts litigation, condemnation/eminent domain and appellate representation.

1971 VELTON RAY BUNCH, an Emmy-winning music composer who lives in Beverly Hills, Calif., produced a concert/show opening for the new 2,000-seat Randy Parton

Theatre at Carolina Crossroads in July. CAROL B. JONES KIMREY, a family and consumer sciences teacher at Richmond, Va.'s Short Pump Middle School, was appointed by Gov. Tim Kaine to a four-year term on the Milk Commission. MARY MCFARLAND is the carillonneur at First Presbyterian Church in Belmont. While many carillons are automated, the First Presbyterian's is played live. The smallest of the 48 bells weighs 31 pounds, and the largest weighs 4,850 pounds. McFarland, who also plays piano and organ and was music director for eight years at Gastonia's First Presbyterian Church, gives concerts that can be heard for several blocks in Belmont.

1969 DANIEL LEE HEAVNER of Smithfield was elected to the board of Raleigh-headquartered First Citizens BancShares. He is a partner in Heavner Furniture Market, which operates in Raleigh and Smithfield. NANCY WILLIAMS retired from Pitt County Schools after 25 years of teaching.

1968 JERRY FISHER was named to the 2006-07 Strathmore's Who's Who. He retired as UNC Chapel Hill's associate budget director and is a substitute teacher at Durham's Cresset Christian Academy and treasurer of Governor's Club's Stone Brook Homeowner's Association, North Myrtle Beach's Sundowner Villa Association and Ephesus Baptist Church. SANDRA ROWE '68 '81 '83 retired from Pitt County Schools after 25 years as a counselor.

1967 PHYLLIS ROBERTS retired from Pitt County Schools after 23 years of teaching.

1966 Bill Clark Construction, owned by BILL CLARK '66 '68 of Greenville, was named the fastest growing privately held homebuilder in the nation by Professional Builder magazine. The magazine said the company generated \$227.4 million in revenue in fiscal 2007 and built 1,059 homes.

1962 JOYCE MARIE SCOTT LACKEY retired for the third time after 29 years as an English, history and special needs teacher at Tuscola Senior High School in Waynesville. Her career total is 42 years of teaching.

1959 CHARLIE ADAMS of Chapel Hill is the executive director of the N.C. High School Athletics Association.

1952 DR. MARY ROSE STOCKS '52 '54 '81 retired from Pitt County Schools after 54 years of teaching.

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1930s



INEZ STEVENS BURNHAM '34 (left) of Shiloh died July 11 at age 93. She was a retired teacher and the oldest member of Shiloh Baptist Church. **MARY ELIZABETH "MARY LIB" BARKER JONES** '38 of Asheville died July 18 at age 91. A Trenton native who later lived mostly in Buncombe and Henderson counties, she taught elementary school and was a librarian. She was active in the Benevolent Protective Order of the Elks' Does Auxiliary.



ELIZABETH ANNE ROGERS "LIB" MORGAN '31 died Aug. 18 at age 95. At Roxboro High School, she was a 5-foot-tall forward on the basketball team. She started teaching in 1931 in Craven County, where she met her husband, M.A. "Happy" Morgan. She visited the site in England where her ancestor, John Rogers, was burned at the stake, researched her family history at age 85, and at age 91 followed the trail her ancestor William Clark traveled on the Lewis and Clark Expedition. She was active in Smithfield civics, was a member of the Daughters of the American Revolution and the United Daughters of the Confederacy, and enjoyed dancing and playing bridge.



INA TATUM VENTERS '36 of Chicod died Aug. 9 at age 93. In her 33 years of teaching at Chicod Elementary School, where she was the 1972-73 teacher of the year, she was widely known for teaching students that their best was good enough for her. After her 1976 retirement, she accumulated the longest volunteer service record at PCMH and received the Governor's Award for Volunteer Service in Pitt County in 1981. She also received a certificate for Distinguished Bible Teaching from Montreat-Anderson College.

1940s

MURLE TUCKER CHAPMAN BERRY '44 of Elizabeth City died Sept. 12. She taught in public and private schools for 34 years, was a member of Alpha Delta Kappa and a Sunday school teacher. **AGNES GRIFFIN DOZIER** '42 of Jarvisburg died June 28. She taught school and was a homemaker, an active church member, a founding member of the Jarvisburg Home Demonstration Club and a Red Cross volunteer. **MABEL EDWARDS MINGES** '42 died Aug. 24. She was the sister of University Book

Exchange founder Jack Edwards '60. After dating for 10 years, she married Pepsi stockholder Maxel Eugene "Max" Minges in 1946. Minges Coliseum was named in honor of the six Minges siblings and their parents in 1966. She was active in the Women of the Church and was treasurer for the First Presbyterian Church, where she received the Honorary Life Membership Award in 1984. She volunteered at Pandora's Box Thrift Shop and played with the same bridge club for over 40 years. Donations may be made to the ECU Medical Foundation. **ELOISE MOZINGO** '46 died July 10. A Halifax County native, she lived in Pitt County for most of her life, taught for 33 years, and was active in Greenville's First Presbyterian Church.

1950s

UNDINE WEEKS BARNHILL '54 of Scotland Neck died Aug. 23 at age 94. She earned degrees from Meredith College and ECU and took additional graduate classes at Harvard University, Appalachian State University, UNC Chapel Hill, N.C. State University and the University of London. She taught at Scotland Neck High School and, from 1965 to 1978, in the English department at Chowan College. **MATTIE ANN COOKE CHESSON** '57 of Charlotte died Aug. 23. A Mount Olive native, she taught gifted elementary school children in Mecklenburg County from 1962 to 1965 before working as a realtor from 1987 to 2000. She was a member of the Daughters of the American Revolution, enjoyed tennis and was married to **CALVIN CHESSON** '57. **MARTHA CONWAY FLIEDNER** '53 '56 of College Station, Texas, died July 18. A Robersonville native, she taught elementary school in Somerville, NJ. She and her husband moved to College Station in 1990, and in her 51 years of marriage, she enjoyed homemaking, gardening and traveling. **NINA MOORE FORMYDUVALL** '52 of Columbia, S.C., died Sept. 12. A Pender County native, she retired from teaching first grade in Richland County School District Two in Columbia. **CARMEN P. GRAY** '59 of Kitty Hawk died June 5. A Dare County native, she taught at Manteo Elementary School for 30 years. After her 1989 retirement, she held office in the Dare County Retired School Personnel and managed the Beachcomber Museum. **MARK STANCIL MCGLOHON** '54 of Winterville died July 25. A veteran of World War II European theater, he was honored in April 2007 for 60 years of membership in the American Legion. After retiring from teaching in Durham, he was the first curator of the Winterville Historical Museum. **ANGUS HOOD MONDS** '59 of Whiteville died June 23. He retired as owner/operator of Whiteville Finance Co. and was an Air Force veteran and a member of the Whiteville Lions Club, Rescue Squad and American Legion. He was a deacon in his church and enjoyed hunting, fishing and organizing barbecue and chicken fundraisers.

ANNIE HEWETT PHELPS '59 of Ash died July 16 at age 98. She was originally from Brunswick County. After her husband died in 1955, she went to school and for 15 years taught in Granville and Cumberland counties. **LEON D. RICKS JR.** '52 of Charlotte died Aug. 23. An Elizabethtown native, he and his twin were star basketball players in high school. He continued his education after serving in the Korean War. He worked for General Motors Acceptance Corp., was president of Ricks Chevrolet-Oldsmobile in Elizabethtown and most recently was president of LDR Management Corp. He was a member of ECU's Chancellor's Society. **SARAH PEEDIN ROSE** '52 of Kinston died Aug. 8. In the 1950s, she taught school in Onslow and Orange counties. She was active in her church, the Reviewers Book Club and Kinston Council for the Arts; helped found the Lenoir County Historical Association; and supported the Harmony Hall restoration and the N.C. Symphony. She was on the boards for the Flynn Home and Joyner Library. **SUSIE SPIVEY TADLOCK** '56 died June 19. A Windsor native, she was a homemaker who lived in Greenville for the past 30 years and enjoyed spending time with friends and family. **VILMA BLAND TEMPLETON** '51 of Woodbridge, Va., died July 22. For more than 40 years, she was a librarian, most recently at Gar-Field High School. After retiring from Prince William County Public Schools, she volunteered in the library at Stafford, Va.'s H.H. Poole Middle School. **ROGER GRANGE THRIFT** '51 of New Bern died Jan. 7. He was a star football player, an all-conference quarterback and overall MVP. He was drafted by the Cleveland Browns but instead coached in Murfreesboro, Williamston and Sanford, and at Davidson College. From 1965 to 1985, he was a coach and athletic director at New Bern High School. He was inducted into ECU's Athletic Hall of Fame in 1977. His jersey number, 36, is one of only four to be retired by ECU. **RICHARD LYNWOOD TOMLINSON** '59 of Frederick, Md., di ed Aug. 5. A Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia and Pi Kappa Lambda member, he taught piano, French and Spanish in Thurmont, Md.'s Catoclin High School. After retiring, he taught at Frederick Community and Hood colleges.

1960s

LT. COL. CECIL W. FRY '61 of Raleigh died Aug. 2. He lettered in baseball and swimming at NSCU before being drafted into the Army for WWII. He lived in Edenton for 54 years, where he was a National Guard company commander. He taught for 12 years and was later associate superintendent of Edenton-Chowan schools. He retired after 31 years in public education. **MARY LEE GARDNER GRIFFIN** '63 of Woodville died July 11. She taught in Warren, Northampton and Bertie counties, and in 1962 became the first guidance counselor in Bertie County. After her 1975 retirement she was a docent at Windsor's Hope Plantation. **LT.**

COL. GEORGE THOMAS IPOCK JR. '61 died July 23. A Vietnam veteran, he retired from the Air Force in 1981. He was president of the East Carolina Village of Yesteryear located at the Pitt County Fairgrounds. **WILLIARD LEE PARRISH III** '66 of Nashville died July 22. He worked for the Nash County ABC board and retired after 18 years with the Halifax County Department of Social Services. **MONTE BARRETT "POPPA" ROSS** '64 of Raleigh died June 28. A Pitt County native, he was in the Navy for two years, taught industrial arts and aerospace at Garner Senior High School for 30 years, and after retiring from there worked for Horace Mann as an insurance agent for 13 years. He was a master at Vandora Masonic Lodge and a 57-year member of Garner's First Baptist Church. **PETER MILAM STALLINGS III** '60 '67 '87 of Goldsboro died Sept. 6. He lettered in football and basketball at Warrenton's John Graham High School and was a Pi Kappa Alpha brother at ECU. He was principal at Hope Mills' Southview Junior High School for 25 years. **EMILY L. VINSON STOFFA** '62 '65 '69 of Chicago, Ill., died July 26. A native of Autryville, she started playing piano when she was 3 years old, and while at ECU won an open competition to perform with the N.C. Symphony. She studied piano in North Carolina, Illinois, New York and France, and taught in Chicago, where she lived after getting married.

1970s

WESLEY GARRETT "GARY" ALFORD '79 of Greenville died July 26. He and his wife, Susan, owned and operated King Sandwich in Greenville and were part-owners of Memories Beach and Shag Club in Atlantic Beach before he founded Innovative Mortgage Solutions in 2001. Memorial contributions may be made to the ECU Educational Foundation. **TERRY OTIS BARBOUR** '79 of Smithfield died Aug. 23. He was a shipping manager for Channel Master and Andrew Corp for many years. Memorials may be made to the ECU Educational Foundation. **LT. COL. WILLIAM J. "BILL" PAINI** '77 of Burke, Va., died Aug. 5 of thyroid cancer. He retired from the Army in 1993 after 24 years of award-winning service. The helicopter he flew in Vietnam is displayed in the Udvar-Hazy Center of the National Air and Space Museum. He was a senior financial advisor for Ameriprise Financial in Manassas, Va., and last year went on a South African safari with his wife. **J. LAWRENCE SPEIGHT** '71 of New Bern died July 23. He established an accounting firm in 1975. He was a CPA and enjoyed boating, golfing and woodworking. **WANDA ETOILE RICHEY TESH** '76 '85 of Richlands died July 24. She worked at the USO in Jacksonville and was the morale and welfare recreation director in the Tarawa Terrace Community Center. After her husband died, she went to school, became a librarian and retired from Richlands High School. **ROBERT EDWARD TURNER** '70 of

Charlotte died Aug. 30. A native of Norfolk, Va., he was a Lambda Chi Alpha brother at ECU. For 27 years, he was a Secret Service agent based in Washington, D.C., and the field offices in Richmond, Va., and Charlotte. After retirement, he was a branch manager for ASET Corp. in Charlotte. Memorials may be made to the ECU Educational Foundation.

1980s

WILLIAM R. "BILL" GILBERT JR. '81 of Clayton died July 3. He was an educator and was energy director for Johnston County Schools. He enjoyed golf, music, volunteering and spending time with his family. **WALTER ELLIS JOHNSON** '83 of Fayetteville died June 20. For more than eight years he worked at Industrial Power and he was active in his church. **ROBIN PHILLIPS ROGERS** '84 of Taylorsville died Sept. 9. She taught at Alexander County's West Middle School and worked with Hickory Community Chapel's children's ministry. **GEORGE ANNA CHAMBERS SETZER** '84 of Statesville died Aug. 5. She was a debutante in Shelby and a Chi Omega sister. She worked for and eventually bought Chaz Women's Clothing in Statesville. When it closed in 2006, she was a sales representative for the Etcetera Clothing Line.

1990s

CAPT. KENNETH PAUL FORESTER JR. '92 of Charlotte died Sept. 3. An honorary alumnus, he was married to **BARBARA BOYD** '59. Originally from Sumter, S.C., he was a member of Kappa Sigma and Omicron Delta Kappa at Davidson, and was in the Army from 1958 to 1959 and the reserves until 1969. He was executive vice president of SYNCO, president of the Lake Norman Co., and a member of the Charlotte Property Management Association and Charlotte Board of Realtors. He developed the Davidson Landing Community on Lake Norman, was an elder emeritus at Covenant Presbyterian Church and was on the board of Spirit Square for 20 years. **ALAN KYLE JOYNER** '91 of Bailey died June 13. He taught English in Korea for three years and was a peer specialist for the Wilson Green Johnston ACTT.

2000s

ERNESTINE SCURLOCK CARTHON '04 of Sanford died June 19. Born in Lumberton in 1976 and married in 1994, she was a nurse who enjoyed reading, making plans, listening to music and being active in her church. **SAMANTHA GIEZEY-PITTMAN DUNBAR** '00 of Summerville, S.C., died Sept. 11. Married to **JAMES CHADWICK DUNBAR** '97, she worked for Fennell Containers. **TAMMY HARDEE DUVAL** '02 died June 25. A Greenville native, she worked in PCMH's cardiac unit for two years, volunteered as an EMT with the Eastern Pines Rescue Squad, and was in the graduate program for nurse anesthesia at ECU.

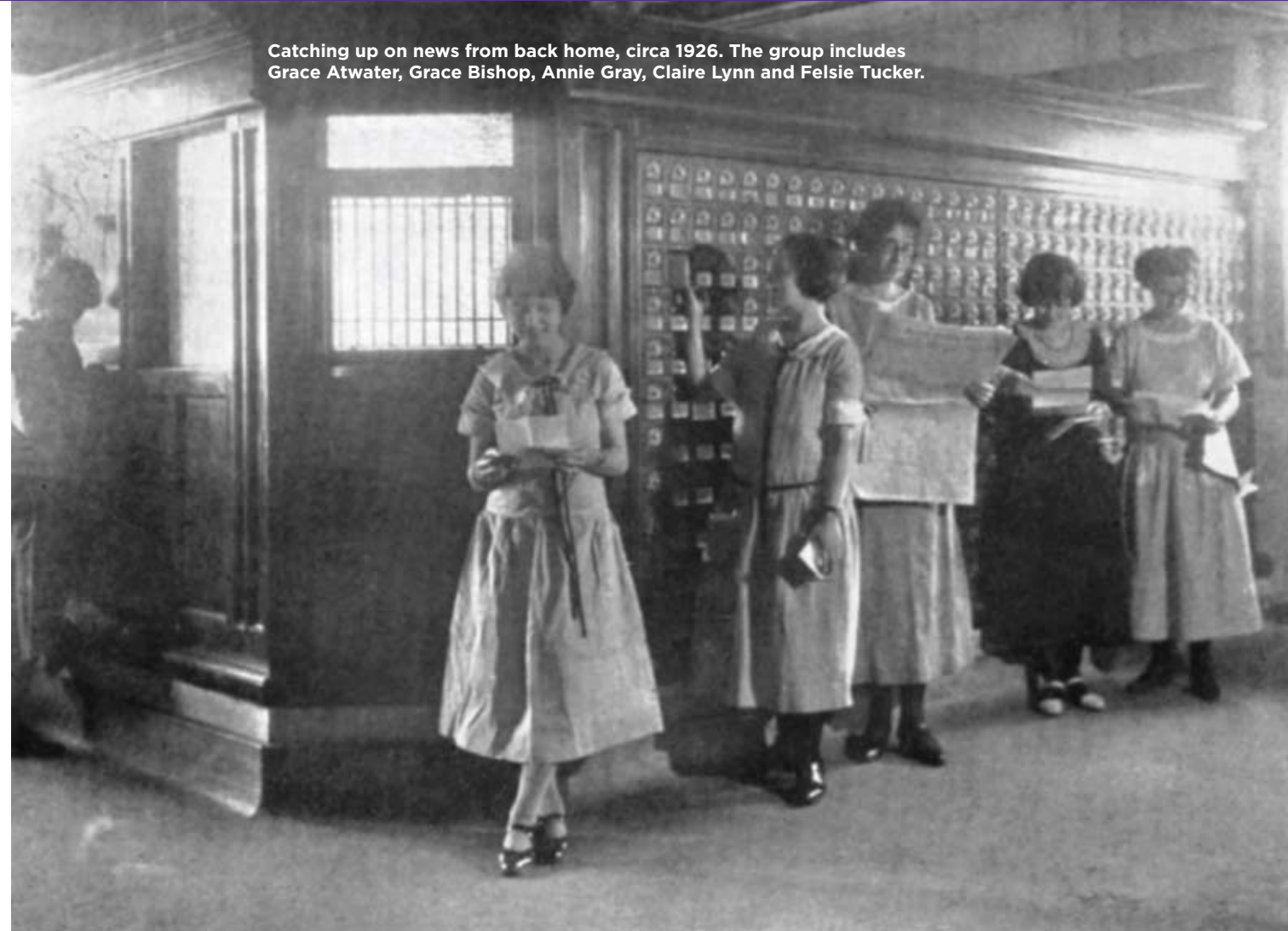
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DR. THEODORE RUST CLARK of Rockingham died July 20. His 20-year struggle with alcohol and drug addiction led him to treat others who have had similar problems. He founded one of Massachusetts' first detoxification centers, and after moving to North Carolina in 1975 opened the first 30-day treatment centers in the Carolinas. He served on numerous health committees, won several awards and was a consultant for area hospitals. At ECU, he worked in psychiatric medicine from 1981 to 1990, during which time he also founded his private practice, Clark-Dartmouth Clinic.

DR. ALLAN ADALE GLATTHORN of Washington died Sept. 5 at age 83. He had a 59-year career in education and was named professor emeritus when he retired from the University of Pennsylvania in 1987 and from ECU in 2003. He received the Combat Infantry Badge and the Bronze Star for his service in World War II. He taught public school for 24 years in Pennsylvania, and joined the graduate faculty at Pennsylvania in 1972. His fellowships included a Fulbright to Portugal. He came to ECU in 1987; he was distinguished research professor of education and received the Lifetime Achievement Award for Research. He authored 36 books on school leadership and curriculum, and 40 English language arts textbooks. He was appointed to the National Council for the Humanities by President Lyndon Johnson. Memorials may be made to the College of Education's Glatthorn Dissertation Award.

HOWELL "HAL" MORRISON of Greenville died July 15. A Kingsport, Tenn., native, he was notable for basketball, track and golf, and set records as a football player. After 20 years coaching in Tenn., he was head golf coach at ECU from 1986 to 1996 when ECU won 13 tournaments, seven CAA Championships and set records that still stand. He coached 15 All-American and Pro Golfers, and was inducted into the National Golf Coaches Hall of Fame. Memorials may be made to University Health Systems Hospice Care.

HOMER FRAZIER YEARICK of Myerstown, Penn., died Aug. 8. He taught social work at ECU from 1975 to 1984 and developed an off-campus continuing education social work program. He was a Navy chaplain in World War II and later served as a reserve chaplain for 22 years. He served parishes in Pennsylvania and North Carolina and was a missionary to Japan in the 1950s. He was a chaplain at the local hospital and a social worker in Carteret County. After his 1996 retirement, he and his wife helped found the Caroliners line dance team.



Catching up on news from back home, circa 1926. The group includes Grace Atwater, Grace Bishop, Annie Gray, Claire Lynn and Felsie Tucker.

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Why I like being postmistress

Recollections of Annie Laurie Baucom '21, who ran the campus post office her senior year. After graduation, she taught school and worked many years for the UNC Alumni Association. Former Kinston Mayor Buddy Rich is her nephew. She was 98 when she died in 1996.

"At the post office, at the noon mail hour, is one of the best places and times to observe human nature, and the various characteristics of individuals.

"There is always a noisy group, each one of whom shouts her affairs to the world, one calling across to another one, "Look in box No. 21," "If I don't hear from Bob today, I'll never write to him again," "I heard from

Nick, but there's nothing in it," "Oh, 'Liz, I heard from Shorty," "Glory be! Here's a check! Guess I'll go up street this afternoon," "Here's a 'call for package' slip; I hope it's something to eat," "My, this is a scorching letter," "Annie Laurie, didn't I get a package?"

"Then there is the type made up of those who never utter a sound about mail, but that's no sign that what is received by them is not interesting. Just watch one of these when she thinks no one is noticing her and see her face sparkle with enthusiasm, as she turns the pages of her letter; or notice the shadow of disappointment spread over her face as finds no mail and calmly walks out.

"Then last, and least in number, are those (mostly the faculty) who, I would not say

are altogether indifferent, yet had rather wait awhile and avoid the rush, knowing their mail is perfectly safe and that it will be just as interesting any time they go for it.

"It is also amusing when a crowd of girls ... tell various tales about their numerous friends which would make others think they are very popular, but I have noticed that those who talk often receive fewer letters than those who sit quietly by and say little. Their letters come regularly, and after time passes and we pick up a paper and read about their weddings, it will reveal no surprise to us.

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Marching Pirates Director Christopher Knighten strikes up the band for *The Star-Spangled Banner* before the home game with UNC Chapel Hill.
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