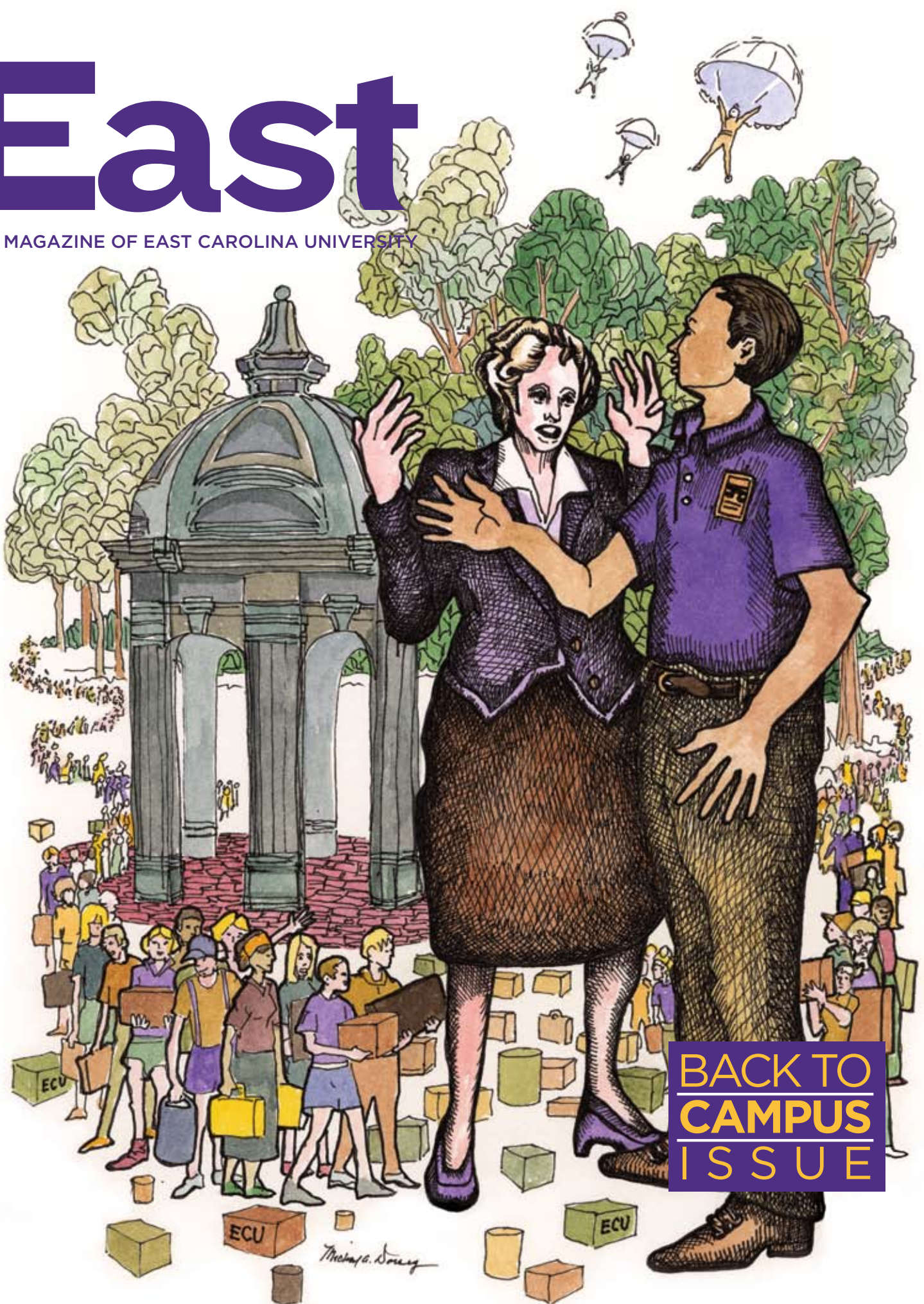


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Orientation

There's nothing quite as still and expectant as an empty college campus in summer, or so I thought until I turned the corner at the School of Communication building and ran headlong into a throng of parents and teenagers touring the grounds during a new student orientation session.

East Carolina will welcome roughly 4,600 new freshmen this fall, a record number. Hundreds of them and their parents have spilled across the mall this summer during eight two-day briefings. A campus already swollen with five years of record enrollment growth is bracing for another wave. Including transfers, officials say the new student population will approach 6,000.

All the new buildings funded by the state's \$3.2 billion higher education bond issue of a few years ago already are full to bursting. The university had to hire about 50 new faculty to accommodate this year's growth and was forced to convert the ground floor of Umstead Residence Hall on the Main Campus to faculty offices. Total enrollment this fall should be up about 1,000 to stand at roughly 27,000.

Actually, admitting 4,600 new freshmen is the last step in a process that began last winter with evaluating nearly 16,000 applications. The Admissions Office says that's roughly 1,000 more applicants than last year, with much of that reflecting greater interest from out-of-state residents.

We take a look at this new crop of students in the cover story in this issue. We also offer a few stories on how growth has changed East Carolina, how the whole college experience has changed since your day, and what kind of college town Greenville has become. Call it your personal orientation session.

And so another year begins at East Carolina. Thousands of young people will turn a corner and run smack into an exciting but uncertain future. Parents will worry about money and ask questions that mortify their kids. Move-In Day, as usual, will fall on the hottest Saturday of the year. Classes will begin and the university quickly will settle into comfortable, age-old routines. Somewhere on campus, a student will look up and think: I'm a little scared but I believe I can do this. I can become somebody.

For 4,600 young lives, tomorrow will start here.

Steve Tuttle

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TOUCHDOWN, MCGEE

I enjoy the *East* magazine and especially the recent article on my friend, fellow ECU grad and fellow ACC football official Dr. Jerry McGee '65. It's always nice to read about successful alums and us officials are definitely glad for positive publicity like this. Even though I live in Greenville, it's nice to keep up with all the Pirate happenings through your magazine. Keep up the good work.

—Darrell Harrison '74 '79, Greenville

It turns out we have three ECU alumni working ACC games. McGee is the dean of the crew with 35 years experience as a side judge at ACC football games. His day job is being president of Wingate University near Charlotte. Harrison has officiated at football games for 15 years. He, like McGee, is a side judge. Harrison's day job is running Document Solutions East, a licensed Xerox agency. Raymie Styons '84 of Greenville has officiated at ACC basketball games since 1989. He owns an insurance agency.

BUBBA SAYS THANKS

I want to thank you and Steve Row for the article on Beth Grant in the summer edition of *East* magazine. It was a fine tribute to a great actress and more importantly, a great Pirate. I literally had dozens of ECU people come up to me at the baseball regionals in Myrtle Beach and tell me about the great article in *East* magazine. They all expressed how proud they were of Beth, but none were as proud as her brother!

—Bubba Grant '86, Cary

MY DAD WAS IN THE COED CLUB

I enjoyed the “Upon the Past” in the last issue [about how men students went from a decided minority to a majority of the student body right after World War II]. My father, Alfred McLawhorn, is in the group photo [of the Coed Club]. I have never seen that particular photo, so you can imagine how excited I was to see it. He used to talk about those early days at ECTC and being outnumbered by the girls. A lot of the guys mentioned in that article went on to be successful and prominent men.

—Ryan McLawhorn '76, Winterville

Readers can order reprints of pictures seen on the “Upon the Past” page from University Archives. For information, call 252-328-0272.

COUNTING ADJECTIVES

Editor's note: A few issues back we reported that Robert Rutter IV '03 won \$500,000 on Are You Smarter than a Fifth Grader? by correctly answering 10 questions, including this one: How many adjectives are in the following sentence: “Spencer takes good care of his hairy dog.” Rutter said there are two. A retired faculty member wrote in to say that's wrong.

In my view there are three [adjectives in the sentence]: “good,” “his” and “hairy.” I see no way to eliminate any of those. “Good” sometimes appears as a noun, as in “He went about doing good,” or “I am concerned for the good of the nation.” “Hairy” is an adjective modifying the noun “dog.” And “his” is a possessive adjective, also modifying the noun dog. *East* is a superior publication. My wife, Patricia Morrison '67, and I, a member of the foreign languages faculty from 1958–67, enjoy reading most of every issue.

—Robert Morrison, Hawthorne, Fla.

We asked English professor and grammar expert O. Bruce Southard to settle the question. He said the sentence has three adjectives. By the way, Rutter is now studying chemistry at the University of South Florida and plans to apply to the medical school there next year.

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Universities need \$6 billion for new buildings

The 16 campuses of the University of North Carolina need roughly \$6 billion in capital improvements to respond to an unprecedented and continuing boom in enrollment, according to a long-range construction plan adopted by the Board of Governors. The biggest chunk of that money would go for new classroom buildings to provide seats for the 30,000 additional students expected to enroll in the next four years.

The 2007–13 Capital Improvements Plan provides for some new or renovated buildings at every campus but it directs a lion’s share of spending to those that have experienced the most growth. For East Carolina, the fastest-growing UNC campus over the past five years, the plan calls for \$786 million in spending on 34 projects.

ECU’s top bricks-and-mortar priorities are the dental school and the new Family Medicine Center. The General Assembly

funded both by including \$107.3 million in the new state budget.

Next on ECU’s wish list are two major classroom buildings—a \$130 million home for biology and science plus an \$84.5 million classroom building to be shared by the colleges of Education and Business. The plan also calls for major renovations to more than a dozen existing buildings around campus.

Both N.C. State and UNC Chapel Hill need more than \$1 billion for new and renovated buildings. Under the plan, State’s top priorities are a new library at the Centennial Campus, estimated to cost \$114 million, and a \$214 million complex for the College of Engineering. Expansion of its dental school is Carolina’s top priority, a \$99 million project that is being coordinated with ECU. Next on its list is \$169 million for initial development of the Carolina North campus.

Classrooms are the top priority at many campuses in the UNC system, including: Appalachian State, \$42 million for a new College of Nursing and Health Sciences

building; Elizabeth City State, \$20 million for a School of Education building; Fayetteville State, \$43 million for a general classroom building; N.C. A&T, \$27 million for a general classroom building; N.C. Central, \$25 million for a School of Nursing building; UNC Asheville, \$27 million to replace Carmichael and University lecture halls; UNC Greensboro; \$48 million for a classroom and office building; UNC Wilmington, \$43 million for a health sciences classroom building; and Western Carolina, \$40 million for an education classroom building.

Enrollment at North Carolina’s public universities grew by 37,000 in the last six years, to roughly 215,000, and is projected to climb by another 30,000 students by 2012, for an overall 33 percent growth in enrollment over the decade. ECU’s enrollment spurted from 20,600 in 2002 to 26,000 last year and is planned to hit 28,500 in 2012, a 38 percent growth in students. Ten years from now, ECU is projected to have an enrollment of 37,000.

State approves \$107 million to build dental school, Family Medicine Center

East Carolina “had its best year ever in the General Assembly,” according to Chancellor Steve Ballard, receiving appropriations totaling \$107 million to build the new dental school and a new Family Medicine Center for the medical school. With full funding now in place, both projects will begin construction and be ready in about two years.

The \$36.8 million appropriated by the General Assembly in early July for the Family Medicine Center will create a new jewel on the Health Sciences Campus. Brody will have three times the space it now rents from Pitt County Memorial Hospital. Legislators also appropriated \$69 million to complete construction on the new dental school and earmarked \$1.5 million for its initial operating costs.

ECU doctors and medical students treat 52,000 patients a year at the Family Medicine Center, more than twice the number the facility was built for. The new structure will be 117,561 square feet and include a geriatric care practice. Architectural drawings show a facility with 33 exam rooms in the clinical area plus 12 other exam rooms for geriatrics.

In addition to the \$36.8 million in state funding, East Carolina has set aside \$10 million of its own money. BSOM also received a \$2.5 million gift from the Monk family in Farmville and a \$1 million grant from the Golden LEAF Foundation. Groundbreaking will be this fall, with construction taking two years.

“We are out of teaching space, and this facility will allow us to teach more medical students,” said Dr. Kenneth Steinweg, interim director of the Department of Family Medicine.

—Greenville Daily Reflector



Professor turns Colbert into spider man

Biology professor Jason Bond didn’t want Comedy Central talk show host Stephen Colbert to feel jealous when he was being interviewed for the June 24 show about how he had named a new species of trapdoor spider after classic rocker Neil Young. To be gracious, Bond agreed to name a spider after Colbert, too.

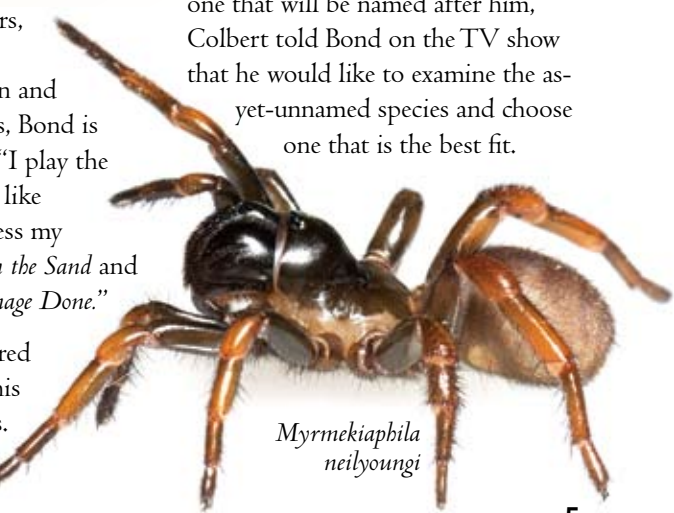
After all, Bond has plenty of naming opportunities. He’s discovered 27 new spider species in the past 10 years, including one he found in rural Alabama in 2007 and named after Young. That spider now officially is known as *Myrmekeiaphila neilyoungi*. Its body is about half an inch long and its bite is not harmful to humans.

He says he honored Young because he is a well-known peace advocate who supports environmental causes. Many species of spiders, Bond says, are being threatened by pollution and loss of habitat. Besides, Bond is a big Neil Young fan. “I play the guitar a little bit and I like to play his songs. I guess my favorites are *Cowgirl in the Sand* and *The Needle and the Damage Done*.”

Previously, Bond honored Nelson Mandela and his wife with spider names. Angelina Jolie also

is on his list of people to honor, spiderwise. He received a number of grants from the National Science Foundation in 2005 and 2006 to classify the trapdoor spider species and contribute to the foundation’s Tree of Life project. He described the new genus of trapdoor spider in a paper he co-wrote with Norman I. Platnick, curator at the American Museum of Natural History in New York. Bond is both a spider systematis—someone who studies organisms and how they are classified—and taxonomist—someone who classifies new species.

Spiders in the trapdoor genus are distinguished on the basis of differences in genitalia, Bond said. He confirmed through DNA tests that each species of spider is distinct within the trapdoor genus. For the one that will be named after him, Colbert told Bond on the TV show that he would like to examine the as-yet-unnamed species and choose one that is the best fit.



Myrmekeiaphila neilyoungi

ECU’s Top 10 Capital Needs <i>dollars in millions</i>	Estimated Cost	Already Funded	2008–09 Request	2009–10 Request	2010–11 Request	2011–12 Request
1. School of Dentistry	\$ 90.0	\$ 28.0	\$ 62.0	\$	\$	\$
2. Family Medicine/Geriatric Center			36.8			
3. Biology/Science Classroom Building	130.0			58.5	71.5	
4. Business/Education Classroom Building	84.5			42.3	42.3	
5. Performing Arts Building	85.0			8.5	38.3	38.3
6. Campus Utility Infrastructure Improvements	9.9			9.9		
7. IT Infrastructure Improvements, Phase II	3.8			3.8		
8. Health and Human Performance Building Expansion	11.7			1.2	10.5	
9. Facilities Services Building	10.5			1.1	9.4	
10. Austin Building Modernization	13.3				1.3	12.0

Cunningham returns as dean of Brody School of Medicine



Paul R. G. Cunningham, who taught at the Brody School of Medicine for 21 years before leaving in 2002 to become head of surgery at the State University of New York Upstate Medical Center, is returning to East Carolina as the new dean of the medical school. He also will serve as senior associate vice chancellor for medical affairs. Cunningham is believed to be the first African-American to lead a medical school in North Carolina.

Chancellor Steve Ballard said Cunningham “is a highly accomplished, widely respected physician. He is familiar with the school’s mission and with the health care challenges facing this region and state.” Ballard thanked Phyllis Horns, the dean of the College of Nursing who also directed the medical school during the yearlong search for a new medical dean.

Cunningham said the medical school and the entire Health Sciences Campus have grown since he left. He said the university has all the tools in place to achieve “measurable positive statistics in the health indices for eastern North Carolina.”

A native of Jamaica, Cunningham graduated from the University of the West Indies in Jamaica. He completed surgery training there and at Mount Sinai Hospital, Bronx Veterans Administration Hospital and City Hospital at Elmhurst, all in New York City.

After beginning his career as a surgeon in New York, Cunningham moved to the Bertie County town of Windsor in 1981. He practiced there, was vice chief of the medical staff at Bertie Memorial Hospital and taught ECU medical students who rotated

through his practice. Cunningham joined the ECU faculty full time in 1984 and became medical director of trauma the following year. He was interim director of the organ transplant division from 1990–1991 and chief of the medical staff at Pitt County Memorial Hospital in 1991. He rose to professor of surgery in 1993 and was chief of general surgery from 1999–2002. From 1990–1998 he also served as a major in the Army Reserve Medical Corps.

Walter Pories, a professor and former chair of surgery who recruited Cunningham to ECU in the 1980s, called him a role model, an excellent teacher and physician and a skillful leader. “I think we’re fortunate to have, first of all, someone who’s a passionate, thoughtful and highly competent physician,” Pories said. “He has the unusual capacity to pull segments together and unite. I can’t think of anybody who is more fitting in these times and the challenges that we face.”

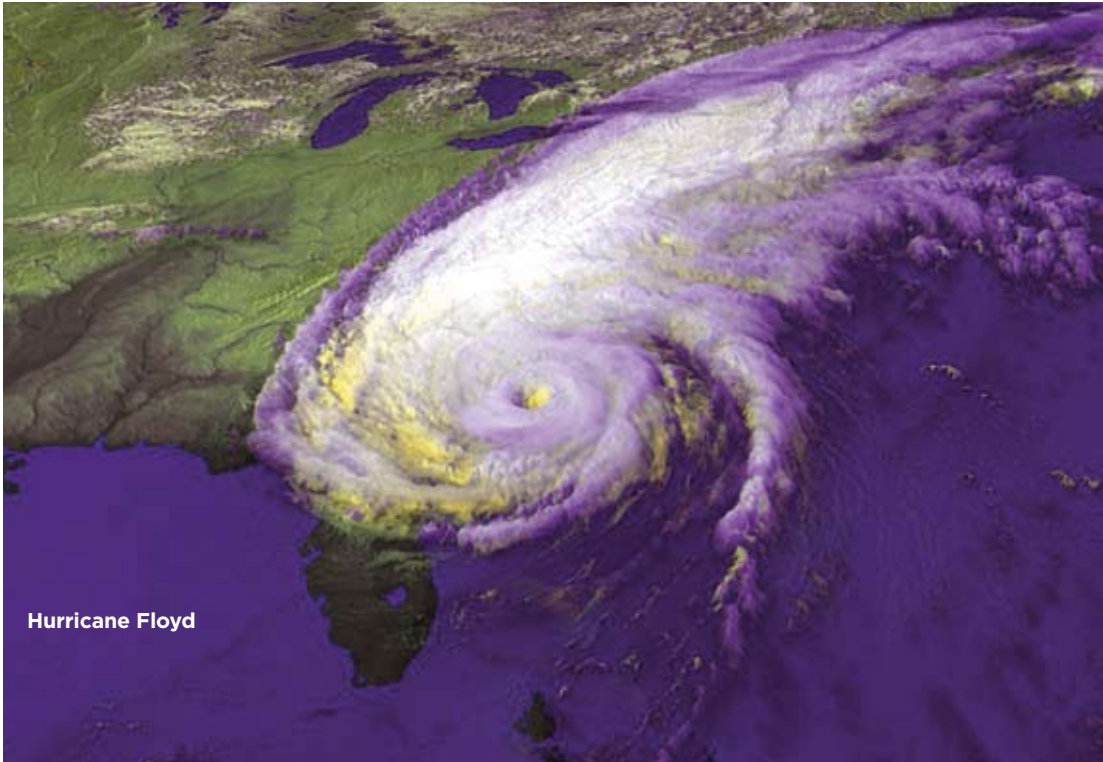
He said his goals include expanding student enrollment, stabilizing the school’s finances and increasing the diversity of the school’s faculty and administration. He credited his wife, Sydney, with encouraging him to consider and accept the job as dean. They have four children, all of whom live in North Carolina.

Busy hurricane season predicted

After several years with hardly any severe weather, the East Coast likely will see between two and five major storms make landfall between August and September, the National Weather Service said in predicating what it called an above-average hurricane season. The forecast is based on above-normal sea-surface temperatures in the Atlantic as well as lingering La Niña atmospheric conditions.

Some are worried that several years without a major hurricane has lulled coastal North Carolina into complacency. A similar lull came to an abrupt end in 1996 when Bertha and Fran devastated eastern North Carolina. The cycle continued with hurricanes Bonnie in 1998 and Dennis and Floyd in 1999. The four Category Four hurricanes that struck in 1999 were the most since records were first kept in 1886. Since then, only Isabel in 2003 caused major damage to the region. Officials say the absence of hurricanes the last few years is a fundamental cause of the drought gripping the region.

Should a hurricane threaten the Carolina coast, East Carolina will follow a natural disaster emergency plan that kicks in when the storm is still two to three days away.



Hurricane Floyd

Second Century campaign off to energetic beginning

Generous support from alumni and friends has allowed East Carolina to surpass the halfway mark in its goal of raising \$200 million. Just six months into the public phase of the Second Century Campaign, officials said more than \$105 million has been raised for scholarships, faculty support and new campus facilities.

“We are absolutely ecstatic that we are off to such a good start and excited about what the future holds,” said Mickey Dowdy, vice chancellor for university advancement.

Dowdy pointed to a 120 percent increase in gifts to the East Carolina University Foundation this fiscal year over last as evidence of widespread support for the campaign. He also highlighted a 17 percent increase in gifts to the ECU Educational Foundation, more commonly known as the Pirate Club. Plus, the ECU Medical & Health Sciences Foundation leads the way in raising funds for distinguished professorships, having established seven new ones since the campaign’s inception. This fiscal year alone campaign donations include more than \$2.7 million for new scholarships.

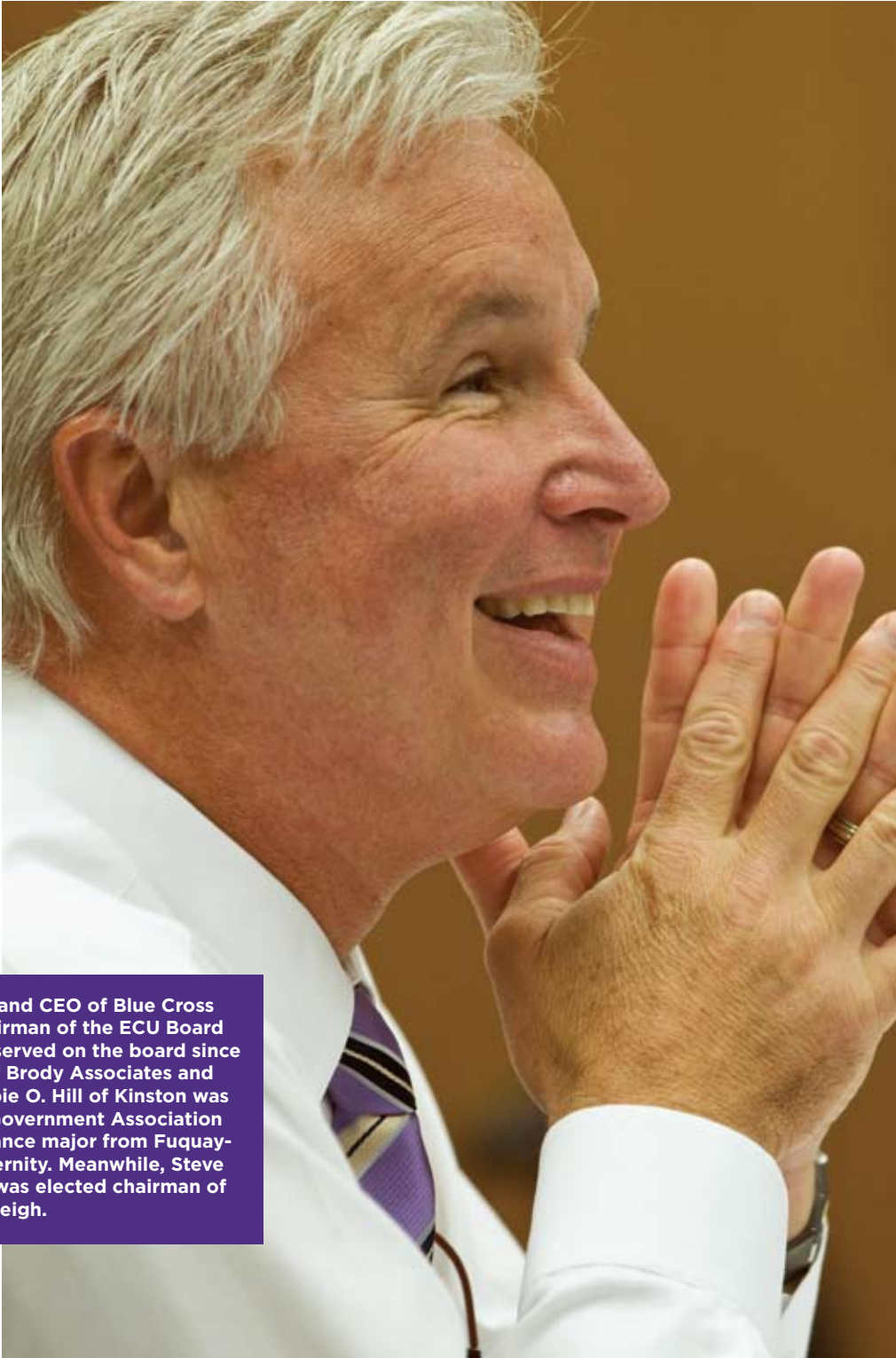
“We are benefiting from strong volunteer leadership by members of the boards of directors of the university’s Board of Trustees, the three foundations, the Alumni Association and the Board of Visitors,” Dowdy added. “We have seen a 40 percent increase in new members joining the Alumni Association. As we had hoped, the campaign is providing a margin of excellence for ECU as it supports the university’s strategic plan.”

To date, he said the campaign has recorded a 26 percent increase in deferred gifts received and more than 1,400 new first-time gifts to the annual fund.

Dowdy said the impressive totals come on the heels of generous individual, corporate and foundation support last year that funded the creation of the ECU Access Scholarship

program, which is now providing full in-state tuition scholarships for 58 financially needy students.

Alumni and friends who have not yet contributed to the Second Century Campaign may send in a check using the postage-paid envelope inserted in the magazine.



Robert J. “Bob” Greczyn Jr. ’73 of Durham, president and CEO of Blue Cross and Blue Shield of North Carolina, was re-elected chairman of the ECU Board of Trustees at the board’s July meeting. Greczyn has served on the board since 2003. David S. Brody of Kinston, managing partner of Brody Associates and other enterprises, was re-elected vice chairman. Robbie O. Hill of Kinston was elected secretary. The new president of the Student Government Association joined the board. He is Andrew H. Griffin, a senior finance major from Fuquay-Varina who is president of the Tau Kappa Epsilon fraternity. Meanwhile, Steve Jones ’91 of Raleigh, an executive with RBC Centura, was elected chairman of the Board of Visitors, succeeding Carl Davis ’73 of Raleigh.



Jacksonville Jaguars quarterback David Garrard '01, right, takes a break from filming a TV spot for a medication for Crohn's disease, which he has. Garrard and a crew from NFL Films were on campus in July to film the public service announcement at the football stadium. Garrard recently signed a six-year, \$60 million contract with the team.

Athletics posts \$1 million surplus

Revenue from East Carolina’s appearance in the Hawaii Bowl and an overall increase in football ticket sales helped the athletics department post a \$1 million surplus for the fiscal year ended July 31, according to a report to the Board of Trustees. The budget surplus sharply reduces the \$1.5 million deficit compiled the previous year, the report indicates.

Football ticket sales of \$5.6 million were \$270,000 over budget while the actual cost of football operations, at \$6.2 million, was slightly more than expected. Total athletics revenues were \$25.6 million, or about \$2.7 million more than budgeted. Total expenditures for the year were \$24.2 million, about \$1.4 million higher than expected, for an overall surplus of \$1.067 million.

East Carolina received \$924,200 for its appearance in the December bowl game. After paying all expenses associated with the game, including flying the team and dozens of officials to Hawaii, East Carolina still made a profit of around \$30,000 on the game, the report says.

ECU set a new stadium attendance record for the second straight year in 2007, averaging 41,537 fans in six home games. Total tickets sold for the year was 249,219.

School	Number of Plates
UNC Chapel Hill	7,751
N.C. State University	5,523
Appalachian State University	2,370
East Carolina University	2,088
Clemson University	1,395
University of Florida	1,341
Wake Forest University	1,276
Duke University	1,134
NC Central University	1,122
Virginia Tech	1,118

2008-2009 FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

Date	Opponent	Location	Time
Aug. 30	Virginia Tech*	Charlotte	12:00 p.m.
Sept. 6	West Virginia*	Greenville	4:30 p.m.
Sept. 13	Tulane *	New Orleans	3:00 p.m.
Sept. 20	N.C. State	Raleigh	TBA
Sept. 27	Houston*	Greenville	3:30 p.m.
Oct. 11	Virginia	Charlottesville	TBA
Oct. 18	Memphis*	Greenville	12:00 p.m.
Nov. 2	Central Florida*	Orlando	8:00 p.m.
Nov. 8	Marshall (Homecoming)	Greenville	3:30 p.m.
Nov. 15	Southern Miss *	Hattiesburg	TBA
Nov. 22	Alabama Birmingham*	Birmingham	TBA
Nov. 28	Texas El Paso*	Greenville	1:00 p.m.

* indicates televised games

NCAA penalizes basketball team

The men’s basketball program will lose one scholarship next season and will have to cut its weekly practice time from 20 hours to 18 because it failed to meet the NCAA’s standard for academic progress. The men’s team reported an academic progress rate (APR) of 861, an improvement of 12 points over the previous year but still below the 900 threshold required to avoid NCAA sanctions.

The football team reported a 922 APR and also must develop an academic improvement plan, though it will not be penalized.

The APR was developed to better measure in “real time” how athletes and teams are doing in the classroom, based on eligibility, retention and graduation rather than just on six-year graduation rates. This is the fourth year of APR data.

East Carolina said it developed a required academic improvement plan for men’s basketball and that the two lost hours of practice time would be replaced by additional tutoring and study halls. Athletics Director

Terry Holland said the grades of basketball players have improved in recent years, rising from 2.13 in 2004 to 2.78 in 2007. Holland said that every men’s basketball student-athlete recruited since the coaching change in 2005 has been eligible every semester in attendance and those who transferred did so in good academic standing.

Holland said the team played all of its non-conference schedule last season without missing a single class. By using chartered airplanes, the team missed only two days of classes throughout the 16-game conference schedule.

Sixty-two scholarship athletes were honored at this year’s Academic Excellence Awards banquet for posting GPAs of 3.5 or higher, up from 59 last year. Ten of the 59 scholar athletes boasted a GPA of 4.0.

“Our men’s basketball staff has worked extremely hard to address the factors under their control and the resulting GPA improvement is nothing short of spectacular,” ECU Chancellor Steve Ballard said.

The highest multi-year APR scores at East Carolina were earned by the women’s tennis (1,000), volleyball (994), women’s swimming (988), men’s golf (985) and women’s golf (984). Women’s tennis and volleyball, were cited as being in the top-10 percent nationwide for their respective sports.

Spiking the ball, hitting the books

The volleyball team is succeeding on the court and in the classroom, winning 16 games and compiling a team GPA of 3.521, the highest in team history. Senior Kelley Wernert, chosen for the 2007 Conference USA All-Academic team, achieved a perfect 4.0 mark spring semester. Every member of the team was on the honor roll; seven of the 12 were either on the Chancellor’s List (4.0 semester GPA) or the Dean’s List (3.5 or higher). “Our team goal since I’ve stepped foot on campus three years ago has always been to have a yearly team GPA above 3.3 and to have everyone above a 3.0 in a given semester,” said head coach Chris Rushing. “Our team GPA has steadily risen since that day and this was the semester that eventually put us over the top. We shattered our goal this year with the high expectations these athletes have put on themselves.” The Pirates return 11 letterwinners and welcome five newcomers for the 2008 season, which began in August.



Kelley Wernert

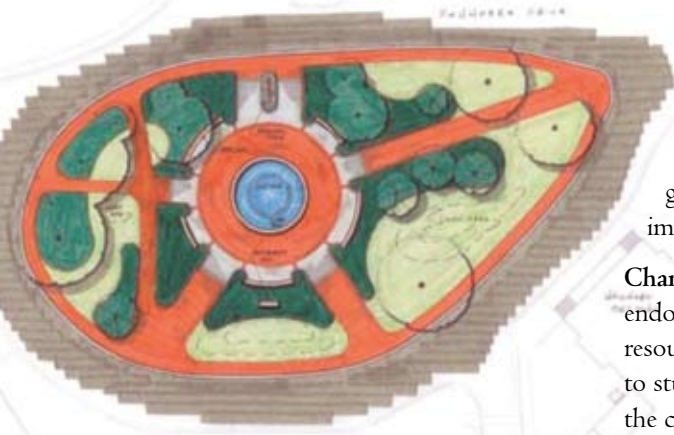
We’re No. 4 in license plates

East Carolina ranks fourth in the number of collegiate license plates issued by the North Carolina Division of Motor Vehicles. A collegiate plate costs \$25 and can be personalized for an additional \$30, of which \$15 is remitted to the school.



Campus construction update

New Wright Fountain: Construction has begun on a new fountain on Wright Circle. The \$600,000 project, which will replace the original fountain with an enhanced model, was undertaken when decaying utility lines caused the fountain to begin sinking. The old fountain was removed in early 2007.



The project is expected to be completed in early fall 2008. The new fountain will have a stronger, more visible plume, better seating and markers containing trustees' names.

Mendenhall renovation delayed: The \$38 million renovation of the Mendenhall Student Center has been delayed because officials believed the plan didn't offer enough

additional space to accommodate East Carolina's growing student body. The decision came at the April meeting of the ECU Board of Trustees, who were told that the project would add only 7,000 square feet of space. Kevin Seitz, vice chancellor for administration and finance, said that renovating Mendenhall will take two years, and staff members want to be sure that the outcome will justify the inconvenience. "We want to be more proactive in looking at the planning for future projects and make sure that we are looking at the distant future," Seitz said. "We have a number of things going on institutionally that will have an impact on this project."

Chancellor's residence: Trustees have endorsed a plan advanced by its facilities and resources committee to form a commission to study updating or renovating Dail House, the chancellor's residence. Over the past two years the board has considered and rejected a series of proposals to improve the residence. The house hosts many university functions and is essentially the same structure as it was when it was purchased in 1948. Trustees considered a suggestion for buying a larger house near campus but no suitable properties were available. The board also considered buying an adjacent property, demolishing it

and building an expansion onto the current chancellor's residence. Officials dismissed the proposal because of likely neighborhood resistance. Trustees then considered building a new house in the Rock Springs area, but that idea drew little support. A plan to give the chancellor a housing allowance and allow him to live where he wants, while keeping the Dail House for official functions, died because the UNC General Administration does not allow such a stipend. Trustees said they want the committee to get input from several groups on ways to improve the housing for the chancellor.

Chitwood passes milestone

Chief of Surgery Dr. W. Randolph Chitwood Jr. performed his 400th robot-assisted mitral valve repair in June and now has performed more of these surgeries than anyone. The operation took place at Pitt County Memorial Hospital, the teaching hospital of the Brody School of Medicine, with 11 cardiac surgeons from across the county observing the procedure while attending a two-day training program. Chitwood is a pioneer in the development and expansion of mitral valve repair surgery, producing outcomes better than valve replacement, a once-prevalent surgical treatment for a leaky or narrowing mitral

valve. An estimated 40,000 patients a year, many under the age of 50, have operations on their mitral valve, the inflow valve for the left side of the heart. Most standard mitral valve operations require a sternotomy, or cracking of the sternum, resulting in a 12-week recovery. With a robotic device there are only three small incisions, scarring is minimal, infection rate is lower and recovery time is lessened to two weeks.

Film touts professor's 'forgiveness' research

The old adage "forgive and forget" could be good advice for the body as well as for the mind and heart, according to Kathleen Row, the chair of the psychology department who studies correlations between a person's health and the ability to forgive. Row has been studying how forgiveness relates to spirituality, well-being and health for almost a decade. Her findings were reported in a PBS documentary, *The Power of Forgiveness*, that aired in June. The documentary won the Best Film award at the Sun Valley Film Festival.

"Some people would like to forgive and they can't; but they still see it as a value. Religions treat it as a value," Row said. "From a psychological perspective, instead of moral



Kathleen Row

From a psychological perspective, instead of moral or spiritual value, does forgiveness have a physical value?

or spiritual value, does forgiveness have a physical value?"

Row's research has shown a marked difference in the blood pressure and heart rate recovery levels of those who can more easily forgive compared to those who cannot. "You literally carry it around with you," Row said. "If you had a heavy sack on your back, your blood pressure would raise to let you be able to carry it around with you. My question is: how is forgiveness mapped onto the body?"

Row has found that older people, in general,

are more likely to be forgiving, and that women are more likely to be forgiving than men, although men had shown to be more forgiving when considering specific situations.

For much of her 25-plus year career in psychophysiology, Row studied the mind-body connection of how certain behaviors could be predictors of cardiovascular disease. Her work in the past seven years, she said, validates that forgiveness can yield positive benefits not only for the forgiven, but for the forgiver as well.

—Erica Plouffe Lazure

EAST CAROLINA TIMELINE

75 YEARS AGO



First master's
Deanie Boone Haskett '26 of Greenville, who had been teaching at Rose Hill High School, returns to enroll in East Carolina's new master's degree program and in August 1933 receives the first master's degree conferred by the college. For her thesis she collects more than 300 pages of poetry by North Carolina writers. Fifty years later, the school awards its first Ph.D., in anatomy, to Thomas Curry Jr.

50 YEARS AGO



The Big Yellow House Incident

Forty-seven students, mostly guys and their dates, are suspended for 10 days and four other male students are expelled for the rest of the term after officials raid a party at a large, yellow house near campus on Jan. 10, 1959. The party, something of an alternative to the formal senior dance in the gym that night, featured "a record player going at high pitch" and a bartender. The students are charged with having alcohol and conducting an unchaperoned party. The girls are charged with violating dorm sign-out rules. Smoldering resentment over the raid forces President J.D. Messick to meet with the student body. He defends the women's dorms regulations and rules against public displays of affection. His attempts at defining what is an acceptable kiss (which is not "this clinging kiss of such a long nature [that] will cause people to begin talking") prompt a flood of newspaper stories across the country. Historians say the Big Yellow House incident is the origin of the myth of ECU as a big party school.

40 YEARS AGO



Old Austin falls

In the fall of 1968 work begins to raze Old Austin, one of the four remaining original buildings on campus, to make way for the new Jenkins Fine Arts Center. As the demolition begins, members of the faculty raise \$3,800 to preserve the building's distinctive bell tower, or cupola. But when the crane tries to lift it from the roof, the cupola collapses into pieces. A twice-life-size replica now adorns the campus lawn.

25 YEARS AGO



Archaeologist makes waves

Underwater archaeologist Gordon Watts, co-director of ECU's program in Maritime History and Underwater Research, captures international attention in August 1983 when he recovers the anchor and other artifacts from the Civil War ironclad *Monitor*, which sank during a storm off the North Carolina coast in 1862.

Images courtesy University Archives



Linda Patriarca, who spent 25 years on the faculty of Michigan State University, is the new dean of the College of Education. She comes to ECU from Caldwell

College in New Jersey, where she was associate dean of education. She was national president of the Teacher Education Division of the International Council for Exceptional Children.



Donna Gooden Payne was named university attorney. She previously held a similar position at UNC Pembroke. A native of Bladen County, Payne is a graduate of

UNC Chapel Hill, where she was a Morehead Scholar, and she holds a law degree from the University of Texas at Austin. She succeeds Kitty Wetherington, who resigned to join a law firm in Greenville.

James N. Gehlhar was named associate vice chancellor for international affairs. He comes from the University of Tennessee at Knoxville where he was director of its Center for International Education for 16 years.

Louis Warren, who teaches curriculum and instruction in the College of Education, won this year's UNC Board of Governors Award for Excellence in Teaching, the highest teaching award given at the university. He received a commemorative bronze medallion and a \$7,500 prize. Other faculty members recognized as top teachers were **Fred**

Schadler, Heather Vance-Chalcraft, John Howard, Gregg Hecimovich, Daniel J. Bara, Carol Goodwillie, Carl Haish, Andrew Morehead, Laura Prividera and Karen Vail-Smith.

College of Business Associate Dean **Stanley Eakins** and Assistant Professor **Samuel Tibbs** won the 2008 Charles H. Dow Award from the Market Technicians Association. Eakins and Tibbs each received a \$2,000 prize for their work exploring how past performance can predict future performance when looking at certain groups of stocks.

Gale Brown Adcock '78, Hazel J. Brown, Gabriel "Gabe" Cipau '74 and Walter L. Williams '51 '55 were appointed to the Medical & Health Sciences Foundation.

Ralph Rogers, dean of the College of Technology and Computer Science during five years of significant growth in grant funding, scholarships and enrollments, resigned to become vice chancellor for academic affairs at Purdue University Calumet in Hammond, Ind. Under Rogers' leadership, the college initiated an engineering degree program and its first graduates were honored at May commencement.

Steve Duncan, director of military programs, was presented with the General William E. DePuy Award by the U.S. Army Cadet Command. The award is considered the most prestigious honor given by the Cadet Command, the parent organization of the Army ROTC program.

Leonard G. Trujillo was named chairman of the Department of Occupational Therapy in the College of Allied Health Sciences. Trujillo has been an occupational therapist for 30 years with the majority of his clinical experience in the U.S. Air Force.

Four students admitted to the Class of 2012 have been awarded the Brody Medical Scholarship: **Nabeel H. Arastu '07**, son

of Dr. Hyder and Mrs. Shamim Arastu of Greenville; **Mary Elizabeth Windham '07**, daughter of Dr. Charlie Sang Jr. and Mrs. Jonsi Sang of Greenville; **Bryan Howington**, a graduate of UNC Pembroke and son of Spencer and Frankie Howington of Pembroke; and **Wesley Thomas O'Neal**, an N.C. State University graduate and son of Mr. and Mrs. James Wyatt O'Neal of Wilson. The Brody Medical Scholarship provides full tuition and fees, along with most living expenses, for four years of medical school. The scholarship also funds summer enrichment programs, such as travel abroad, in addition to any service projects the scholars undertake during medical school.

Three student-athletes were named to *ESPN The Magazine's* Academic All-District at-large teams. Senior swimmer **Geoff Handsfield** (3.97 GPA in physics) was named to the District 3 University Division men's at-large first team, while junior golfer **Markus Leandersson** (4.0 GPA in finance) was named second team. Senior tennis player **Hannah Priest** (3.98 GPA in physical education) was voted to the women's second at-large team.

You Should Go



Former CNN CEO **Walter Isaacson**, now CEO of the Aspen Institute, will discuss "Six Thinkers Who Influenced History" during this year's Voyages of

Discovery lectures on Oct. 8 at 7 p.m. in Wright Auditorium. Tickets are \$10.

On Nov. 18, **Marcus Borg**, emeritus professor of religion and culture at Oregon State University, will discuss "Christians in an Age of Empire," at The Jarvis Lecture in Religion and Culture.

FINE ARTS

The fall schedule of **S. Rudolph Alexander Performing Arts Series** begins Sept. 19 with the **North Carolina Symphony Orchestra** performing Dvorak's *New World* symphony and Elgar's *In the South*. **Philadanco** (the Philadelphia Dance Company), a contemporary dance ensemble, will perform Oct. 23. Begun by Joan Myers Brown in 1970, Philadanco helped found the International Conference of Black Dance Companies and International Association of Blacks in Dance. **Marvin Hamlisch** will appear with the ECU Symphony Orchestra at Wright Auditorium Nov. 21. Hamlisch has earned three Oscars, four Grammys, four Emmys, a Tony award and three Golden Globes—in addition to a Pulitzer Prize—for his musical compositions. The **King's Singers** will bring their blend of choral skill and showmanship to Greenville on Dec. 11. Equally at ease singing motets by Tallis and Byrd and the music of Lennon and McCartney, the King's Singers encompass music from medieval, Renaissance, Romantic and contemporary periods.

CHAMBER MUSIC

The **Four Seasons Chamber Music Festival** opens this year with three offerings on campus. Music director Ara Gregorian will team with pianist Robert McDonald and cellist Emanuel Gruber in performances of a Janacek sonata for violin and piano, Beethoven's *Ghost* piano trio and Franck's sonata for violin and piano. The concerts take place in Fletcher Recital Hall the evenings of Sept. 4-5.

The Festival's October program will consist of Mozart's *Quintet for Clarinet and Strings*, a Mendelssohn string quartet and a Smetana string quartet. Joining Gregorian will be violinist Hagai Shaham, violist Nicholas Cords, cellist Michael Kannen and clarinetist Christopher Grymes from the ECU faculty. The concerts will take place Oct. 16-17 in Fletcher Recital Hall and Oct. 18 at the History Place in Morehead City.

OPERA

The **ECU Opera Theater** will present Gilbert and Sullivan's *HMS*

Pinafore Oct. 23-25, conducted by Daniel Bara, director of choral music activities. Subtitled *The Lass That Loved a Sailor*, the play includes such G&S songs as *I'm Called Little Buttercup*, *We Sail the Ocean Blue* and *Oh Joy, Oh Rapture Unforeseen*.

THEATER

The **ECU/Loessin Playhouse** opens the season with *Of Thee I Sing*, George and Ira Gershwin's Pulitzer Prize-winning musical, at McGinnis Theater Oct. 2-7. *Love Is Sweeping the Country* and the title song are among the better known Gershwin tunes. The second play of the season will be Moliere's comedy *The Imaginary Invalid* Nov. 20-25.

CHORAL MUSIC

The **ECU Chamber Singers**, accompanied by the ECU Symphony Orchestra, will present Mozart's *Requiem* on All Saints' Day on Nov. 1 at St. Paul's Episcopal Church. The Chamber Singers also will present a concert Oct. 3, and the **University Chorale** and **St. Cecilia Singers** will present a concert Nov. 16. The Mozart program will be repeated

Nov. 10 at the North Carolina Music Educators Association meeting in Winston-Salem.

INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC

Highlights this fall include performances by the **ECU Wind Ensemble** and **Symphonic Band** on Sept. 25, a concert by the **ECU Symphony** on Sept. 28, *Bandorama* on Nov. 6, and a concert by the **ECU Chamber Orchestra** on Nov. 8. The full symphony will play Verdi's overture to *The Force of Destiny*, Bartók's viola concerto, featuring ECU faculty member Melissa Reardon, and Beethoven's *Symphony No. 5*. The Chamber Orchestra will play Britten's *Simple Symphony*, Haydn's *Symphony No. 49* and Vivaldi's *Concerto for Flute*, with ECU faculty member Christine Gustafson.

FINE/VISUAL ARTS

Don't miss a special exhibit Sept. 3-Oct. 1 of ceramics from the **Dwight M. Holland Ceramics Teaching Collection**, named for the Asheboro art teacher who donated his collection of folk, national and international pottery and contemporary ceramics

to ECU in the late 1990s. The annual ECU faculty exhibition is scheduled Oct. 17-Nov. 22, and the annual holiday exhibition is scheduled Dec. 4-6.

OCTUBAFEST

Tom McCaslin is planning a second *Octubafest* to highlight the contributions of the lower brass instruments Oct. 29-30. The program includes two concerts that will feature a mixture of solos and chamber piece performed by ECU students.

WHO'S IN TOWN?

John Wustman, considered "dean of American accompanists," will serve as Robert L. Jones Distinguished Professor of Music for the 2008-09 academic year. Wustman became affiliated with Robert Shaw early in his career, and he has appeared in concert halls worldwide. North Carolina native **Julianne Baird**, a soprano widely known for her skill in interpreting early music, will visit Oct. 27-28. She is best known for performances and recordings of Bach and Handel.

—Steve Row

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Campus Bracing for Biggest Freshman Class Ever

BACK TO
CAMPUS
ISSUE

Marc Kawanishi

University officials were working overtime to prepare for a record 4,600 or more freshmen about to hit town for fall semester, a number that is straining campus facilities and forcing some unprecedented maneuvers. At the last minute, the university was forced to lease private apartments around Greenville to house 300 freshmen still on a waiting list for dorm rooms. Officials also were rounding up at least 50 additional faculty members and converting the ground floor of one residence hall as their offices. Total enrollment should be around 27,000, up about 1,000 students since this time last year.

With the campus full to bursting, this may be the last semester that East Carolina's enrollment grows at the heady pace that

it has for five years running. A task force appointed by Chancellor Steve Ballard is preparing recommendations for a fall report that many believe will propose raising ECU's admissions standards as a means of managing enrollment growth.

East Carolina offered seven orientation sessions in 2007 that were attended by roughly 3,900 new freshmen and their parents, according to Admissions Director Anthony Britt. Not all incoming freshmen attend orientation. By the time school started last year, 4,222 freshmen were enrolled. Demand this year prompted the addition of an eighth orientation session, with total attendance of 4,498 new freshmen and their parents. "If we just go by the numbers from orientation,



which generally is a good guide, I would say the freshman class would be around 4,700," Britt says. "But to be conservative, I would say it would be between 4,500 and 4,600 freshmen. Either way, it will be a record."

While 4,600 freshmen is a big number, it is only about a quarter of the roughly 16,000 high school freshmen who applied for admission, Britt says. His office also evaluated about 3,000 applications from students hoping to transfer to East Carolina from some other college and admitted less than half of them.

East Carolina has no plans at present to build additional residence halls, but an Atlanta company has begun construction on a private dormitory overlooking the Tar River on First Street in downtown Greenville. The building is expected to be ready by next fall semester. Place Properties of Atlanta is developing the four-story, 193-unit building, to be called First Street Place. The company currently owns private dorms serving N.C. State University, UNC Charlotte and UNC Pembroke.

The private apartments that East Carolina is leasing for this fall will have all the same safety features as on-campus dorms. Officials say the unprecedented move will cost \$600,000, which should mostly be covered by rents paid by the students. The plan is to move as many of them as possible to campus as dorm rooms become available later in the semester.

Ten years ago, the new freshman class numbered 2,819, with transfer students adding 1,089 to the total enrollment of 18,263. This fall there should be around 6,000 new students for an expected total enrollment of 27,000. "Every indication is we will grow to 36,000 within 10 years or less," Britt says, citing enrollment targets set for East Carolina by the UNC Board of Governors.

"The bottom line is we are seeing more applicants and better applicants," Britt says. "They are more well-rounded in terms of extracurricular things and leadership opportunities and an increasing number have college credits when they arrive [from taking community college courses.]" The average SAT score of admitted freshman was 1,044

last year; it's 1,056 this year.

After talking to hundreds of parents and students during orientation sessions, Britt says he repeatedly hears three reasons cited for ECU's popularity. "I would say the biggest reason I hear them say is the diversity of academic programs offered and that we offer enough of those classes so students can complete their degree in four years.

"Kids these days want to study something they can get a good job doing after college. The degrees we offer in the health care field are very attractive. We are getting a lot of questions about the new dental school, and I believe that will only add to the interest by incoming students in our health care offerings.

"Second, I hear folks comment all the time about what a beautiful campus we have. They say it looks like a college campus ought to look, with the traditional grassy mall surrounded by classroom buildings and residence halls. One student at orientation who was interested in studying art said she didn't have any trouble finding the art building because of all the statues and works of art around the building.

"Third, they talk about how warm and welcoming the people are here. They say everyone they meet is friendly. One woman said she got lost and a student came up to

her and said, 'Can I help you find where you need to go?' And when he had gotten her there, she said she thanked the student for helping with orientation, and he replied, 'Oh, I'm not a tour guide. You just looked like you needed help.'"

Getting acclimated

For most, attending orientation was their first time on campus since being admitted. The two-day sessions begin with check-in and walking tours of the main campus, followed by registration for fall classes, placement tests, and learning about life as a student. The experience was an eye-opener for many.

"I didn't realize it was such a close-knit college," said incoming freshman James Jeter of Fayetteville, who attended orientation with his parents, Bruce and Linda. "I just figured it was a big school, just a bunch of people. But they do care here. They care about the students, they care that we succeed."

The goal of orientation is to acclimate new students to the place they will call home for the next four years, and to introduce them to the mechanics of academic and social life. Students learn about Banner, OneStop, Blackboard and other technological resources.



They also are introduced to extracurricular activities and organizations at the Student Involvement Fair. Many questions focus on financial matters—including university fees, payment options, and even meetings with representatives from local banks.

Janet Taylor of Mount Olive attended orientation with her only child, daughter Courtney, and said efforts by the Office of Admissions to make parents feel welcome and informed helped her feel better about Courtney leaving home for college. "It's hard. She's the only one. But I feel good about it because everyone here is so helpful. I really feel she'll be good here. She's met a lot of people already, and she's excited about her classes," Taylor said.

New students and parents were formally welcomed to ECU in Wright Auditorium by Phyllis Horns, interim vice chancellor for health sciences and interim dean of the Brody School of Medicine; Associate Provost Austin Bunch; Kemal Atkins, vice provost for student affairs; and ECU student Andrew Griffin. Together they offered encouragement and insight into what it means to become a member of the ECU community.

"Every person, every student on this campus, has the opportunity to grow and learn," said Horns. "How to be a really productive citizen, how to engage with people who are different from the people you know from high school and your local communities—that's as important a part of the educational experience, we believe here at East Carolina University, as

anything that you learn in the classroom."

Griffin offered himself as an example of what to do, and what not to do, to succeed in college. "Go to class, go to class, go to class," he said to loud applause from parents. "I used to not go to class, and that didn't work. So now I do go to class and I make good grades. It's amazing."

He also encouraged students to get involved on campus and take the opportunities afforded at ECU to try new things. "Whatever your name was in high school, or whatever you were classified as, it's over. You are in college. You have a chance to reinvent yourself, and a chance to be whatever you want to be," he said.

At capacity

It's doubtful whether East Carolina can continue growing at the blistering pace it has recorded in recent years. According to Marilyn Sheerer, interim provost and vice chancellor for academic and student affairs, the campus has about reached its maximum physical capacity. "There are no empty classrooms; there are no empty faculty offices. We are full," she says emphatically.

"Because of the enrollment growth, [this summer] we had to hire new faculty

members. To accommodate them, we are in the process of converting the ground floor of Umstead Residence Hall into faculty offices," she says.

"We had nowhere else to go," she adds. "We are in a critical situation with space. We are looking at renting more space off campus." The university badly needs two additional, large classroom buildings and has made their construction a top priority. One would provide additional space for biology and science classes; the other would provide a new home for the growing colleges of Education and Business.

"One short-term option would be to take one of the residence halls and refurbish it [as classrooms] and replace it with a new residence hall. We are looking at establishing some public-private partnerships for residence halls," Sheerer says. "Wilmington has some new dorms on campus but they were built by a private entity and leased to the university."

In the meantime, administrators are trying to get maximum use out of existing space, particularly Joyner Library. But the only solution is a major injection of money. "We are hoping for another [\$3 billion] state bond issue like we had a few years ago. Something on that scale is the only thing that will address the need."

What's different about college these days?

By Marion Blackburn

You graduated from ECU a few years ago (we're not counting how many) and now your child or a nephew or the kid across the street is heading to campus. You want to share some of your wisdom, but you're wondering: How has college changed? English, history and biology ... college must be about the same, right? Well, not exactly. Here is a rundown of the new academic landscape and how it differs from the student experience of a generation ago.

The foundation's the same: You'll certainly find recognizable courses like chemistry, art history and political science, especially during the first two years. These courses

reflect the liberal arts approach that is vital to becoming a fully educated individual and are called the Foundations Curriculum.

"These are the familiar liberal arts courses we've always required, such as English, history, math and art," said Linner W. Griffin, associate vice chancellor for academic affairs. "But the courses have evolved and their content has, too." But in those traditional disciplines you should expect some new ideas and perspectives, he added.

More specialties: The junior and senior years offer students a banquet of majors, minors and everything in between. Programs these days allow students to focus on professional goals while experiencing a broad range of topics.

The biggest change is the types and numbers of degree programs available. If you attended ECU before 1977, when the School of Medicine enrolled its first students, no doctorate

programs were available. Then, the university offered roughly 50 master's programs and less than 75 undergraduate programs.

Today, there are 19 doctoral programs, 77 master's degrees and certificates of advanced study and 104 bachelor's degree programs. Students can also supplement their education by choosing from nearly 70 departmental certificates in many academic areas.

While familiar majors like math and business are evergreen, students today are likely to consider areas like engineering, health services management, construction management and information and computer technology.

"When our faculty are developing new programs, they're thinking about emerging areas in their fields of study and we encourage them to also consider degrees that are suitable for our region," says Sharon Morris Bland, assistant vice chancellor for

academic program development. "We try to help them think in broad terms, say of economic benefits to the region, but also to focus on programs that will serve the university's goals and mission. We need to make sure our graduates are prepared for the 21st-century job market."

Some degree options available now that you would not have seen at ECU some years ago include engineering, nutrition and dietetics, distribution and logistics, hospitality management and child life.

What's more, students today can pursue departmental certificates—a credential that gives them valuable expertise beyond their major. For example, English majors can obtain certificates in multicultural and transnational literature; education majors have certificate options in autism and international teaching. A certificate in security studies is also available.

It's a different atmosphere: If arts and sciences was once the central academic grouping on campus, the years since 2000 have brought major changes. The university now organizes itself into nine colleges, the School of Dentistry, the Brody School of Medicine and the Graduate School.

New approaches have come to campus, as well. Computers are everywhere and completing assignments online is a mainstay of academic work, along with essays, research papers and lab reports.

Bigger, sure, but better, too: Rapid growth in the student body is pushing programs to evolve. That wave has led the university to create new structures, such as the Office of Enrollment Management, to accommodate them. The student body has about doubled from the 13,000-14,000 students here during the Leo Jenkins years. Numbers are only part of the story, however.

"It's more than how many students you admit and how many you graduate," says Judith Bailey, senior executive director of enrollment management. "It's how you sustain them through graduation in programs of relevance to them and to the state of North Carolina."

Burning the midnight oil: With all the new degrees and disciplines, has anything about East Carolina stayed the same? Well, yes. Students still are rabid about football. They still head downtown for fun. It still takes long hours and late nights studying to graduate.

"Grading for our courses has the same standards," said Griffin. "Parents may sometimes say to their children, 'Your education is not as difficult as mine was.' That may be romanticizing what we experienced. There are the same academic expectations as always for our students."

10 Things Every Freshman Should Know

By Steve Tuttle

Who knows better about surviving freshman year than the juniors and seniors to whom the shocks of that transition are still fresh in mind? So we asked them in a survey to share their tips and insights with this year's crop of freshmen. Our thanks go to professor John Howard for offering two of his School of Communication classes as our survey sample. Sixty-one of his students answered our 10 questions. Here are their responses:

Thinking back to my freshman year...

When I left home for college I packed way too many _____.

Clothes, clothes, clothes. Almost all the students surveyed said they brought too many of everything, including shoes and even toiletries. And don't even think about bringing winter clothes, three students said. "It never gets really cold here," one wrote.

Nobody told me I needed so many ____.

Things that fall under the broad category of "stuff you need to study"—notebooks, note cards, highlighters, pencils, pens—were mentioned most frequently in the survey. "Money for food," aka Pirate Bucks, was next on their lists.

Other items our juniors and seniors never thought they would need in such abundance:

- Boxes and storage bins ("to keep your junk separate from her junk," one student wrote).
- Bubble sheets for taking exams.
- Late-night snacks
- Tylenol
- Flip-flops

Oddly, electric extension cords turned up on both the "packed way too many" and "nobody told me I needed so many" lists. You figure.

Don't bother bringing _____.

We have a three-way tie, with seven mentions each:

- Your car, because there's nowhere to park it.
- Your high school girlfriend/boyfriend, their photos or phone numbers, because, well, you know.
- Pets. Apparently some people still don't read the memo.

Other practical tips for lightening the suitcase load:

- A stereo, because you listen to music through your laptop
- Napkins, plastic spoons/forks and condiments, because you can lift those from the dining halls
- A phone (the old-fashioned kind, silly)
- A first aid kit ("We have a free clinic for a reason," one wrote.)

Perhaps the most hopeful advice was the student who wrote: "Your anxiety—

everything *will* work out for the best."

Don't ever lose your _____.

The winners here are the twin constants of freshman existence, the I Card, with 22 votes, and dorm room key, with 10. If you lose one you don't eat and if you lose the other you don't sleep. Enough said.

Other items freshmen should avoid losing:

- Focus—7 votes
- Wallet—5 votes
- Cell phone—4
- Shower shoes—3
- Personality
- Flash drive

The best way to get along with a roommate is _____.

Fifteen said, in so many words: You have to learn how to communicate with a roommate, to speak up and talk things out. Nine others offered this similar advice: Be friendly and patient, be accepting and don't be judgmental. Agree on ground rules from day one and learn to compromise, six others said. Don't room with your best friend from high school, several others said, apparently speaking from sad experience. Some practical advice: Have an escape plan, like a friend's room you can go to, for those times when you can't stand roomie one more second.

The worst thing that can happen is ____.

Flunking out, obviously. That's what nearly half of the students surveyed said. Several others said it was indulging in behaviors often associated with academic problems, like excessive drinking and partying. You can almost feel the pain lingering from the student who wrote: "Getting so drunk and stupid that everyone remembers you as 'that girl.'" Looking back, some said the worst thing is "not taking advantage of opportunities" or "taking classes seriously." Five said the worst thing that can happen is not making new friends.

Other horrors mentioned:

- Being in the shower when the fire alarm goes off
- Getting walked to your dorm room by a campus cop
- Missing the last bus
- Getting your car towed (*see "Don't bother bringing" above.*)

The best way to avoid looking stupid is _____.

Our juniors and seniors clearly agree on what is the most embarrassing thing that can happen to a freshman. It's seen every fall on campus: A lost kid, carrying a load of books and anxiously scanning the names of buildings to find his next class, doesn't see the curb and takes a header into the grass, books and papers flying. It's a terrible fate you can

avoid, our upperclassmen said, if you just do what you were told at orientation: The day before classes begin, print out your class schedule and slowly walk the mall observing the locations of buildings and plotting the path you will walk from class to class. Failing that, "just keep your head down and keep walking if you trip," one veteran advised. "When you fall when walking to class," another wrote, "just lay on the ground and no one will notice." Another seemed resigned to the inevitable: "Never care about it because it's going to happen, so accept it."

Other ways to avoid looking stupid and their votes:

- Just be yourself—7
- Act mature/ask questions—4
- Get your work done and go to class—4
- Laugh at yourself—3
- Don't wear high heels to class—3
- Think before you speak—2
- Get someone else to do it first—2

I finally felt like a real college student when I stopped _____.

Now this is maturity talking: Thirteen students said, in so many words, that the change came when they stopped partying and started studying. Or as one said, "When I started going to class because I wanted to and not because I thought I had to." Five said it came when they stopped going home most weekends and five others said it was

when they stopped caring how they looked. "It was when I stopped calling my Mom every day," one student wrote.

Others said they felt more mature when they stopped:

- Dating my high school girlfriend/hanging out with my high school friends
- Asking for directions
- Sleeping ("Partying or studying, all-nighters are the norm," one wrote.)
- Following the crowd
- Eating at McDonald's and started fixing my own meals

Your folks won't get too upset unless your GPA falls below _____.

This is interesting. You might expect the juniors and seniors would say that a 2.0 is the survival line, and that's exactly what 25 students put down. But 20 other students said it takes a 2.5 to keep the parents off your back and 10 said they had to get a 3.0 to keep mom and pop happy. In case you're wondering, that averages out to a 2.36.

It's more important to _____.

- Show up for every class—43 votes
- Turn in every piece of homework—16
- Sit in the front row—2

Hopefully, this solves the deepest mystery of freshman life, which is how to make good grades without really trying.

What's Greenville Like as a College Town?

BY STEVE ROW

Greenville City Hall

BACK TO CAMPUS ISSUE

At the end of Move-In Day, hundreds of new students and their families likely will hop in the car in search of a meal, a mall or maybe a movie. What impressions will they form as they explore Greenville for perhaps the first time? What words of advice would help these new Pirates be welcomed and well fed? We put together this newcomers guide.

With a population now in excess of 70,000, Greenville offers at least one of nearly everything most college students—and their parents—expect to find in a college town. But most of the time, it's only one.

The population center of the eastern third of North Carolina doesn't have quite the same breadth of attractions or commercial development as Chapel Hill, Raleigh or Greensboro, but the coziness of the community enables new students and their families to more easily discover their new home. May we recommend:

Restaurants: A nice mix of dining choices is one of Greenville's bright spots. The city has three beef/steak/chophouse-type restaurants (be sure parents pick up the tab; the prices at these places can raise an eyebrow or two), and a variety of ethnic restaurants. Try Finelli's for Italian, Lemongrass for Thai, Chico's for Mexican. Consistently tasty, well-prepared meals (lunch and dinner) and some to-die-for desserts can be found at The Daily Grind.

Other upscale eateries include Christinne's at the Hilton and Chef's 505, but if you want to impress a special friend, or the parents, you might try the Lakeview Room at Brook Valley Country Club, southeast of campus, which has a spectacular view, good food and more reasonable prices.

Despite its proximity to three coastal fishing centers (the Outer Banks, the Crystal Coast and Wilmington), the Greenville area still lacks an upscale restaurant specializing in local Atlantic seafood, although several restaurant menus boast fine fish and seafood entrees, and Calabash-style seafood restaurants are available.

Greenville has a Dunkin' Donuts near the medical campus and a Krispy Kreme across the street from the Main Campus.

The town has four Starbucks, a Panera Bread, a Bear Rock Café, and a McAllister's Deli. A good variety of homemade sandwiches and baked goods can be found at Swiss Chalet not far from campus.

Shopping: Greenville has one enclosed mall, now known as Greenville Mall, anchored by JCPenney and Belk and also containing

Aeropostale, Gap and American Eagle. It's located just blocks south of the football stadium. The city also has many strip shopping centers plus one Wal-Mart, one Kmart, one Target, one Sears, one Staples, one Office Depot. A handful of upscale retailers can be found (Talbot's for women and Jos. A. Bank, Steinbeck's and Coffman's for men). Several locally owned, trendy and boutique-y type shops and stores are not far from campus.

Greenville's tiny downtown sits at the west end of campus and is dominated, as one might expect, by several bars, restaurants and a few retailers catering to students—University Book Exchange, Topsy Teapot (a comfortable used book store as well as a nice café), the Bicycle Post, the Catalog Connection, for example—but local officials say downtown (promoted as “Uptown Greenville”) is still a work in progress.

Most students likely will head south to the strip malls along Greenville Boulevard to find more of what they want: Rugged Wearhouse, Old Navy, Great Outdoor Provision Co. and a range of additional clothing stores, such as Ross and T.J. Maxx at the lower end to Stein Mart at the middle range.

A new shopping center is under development on the southwest side of town, with an older Sears store to be linked to a newer Kohl's by several stores and shops. This center could begin to fill out by the time incoming freshmen finish their sophomore year. Northeast of town, the North Campus Crossing apartment complex is proving to be a magnet for new stores and restaurants.

Entertainment: Blockbuster and Hollywood Video have local stores, as do Circuit City, Best Buy, F.Y.E. and East Coast Music + Video. The Barnes & Noble store has plenty of books but no music section. Greenville now has two multiscreen movie complexes, one operated by Carmike and

one by Regal, but they show virtually the same movies. Neither complex devotes a screen to independent or foreign films. Various film series offered on campus partially fill that void.

Food: Students planning to cook a bit on their own will find several grocery stores nearby, but only one—a Harris Teeter—is within walking distance from campus. Further out are a Kroger, another Harris Teeter, and several Food Lions. The upscale Lowe's Foods has one store, and by the beginning of 2009, the area's first Fresh Market should be open on the southwest side of town (near Sears and Kohl's). This store will provide some great bakery and pastry items, but many of the groceries likely will be priced out of reach of most students.

Culture: The culture of Greenville pretty much depends on the university. Nearly all the good live theater comes from the School of Theatre and Dance, which puts on comedies, tragedies, musicals, contemporary plays and Shakespeare each year and is generally recognized as one of the best theatrical programs in the region. Likewise, just about all the good, serious music comes from the School of Music (the Four Seasons Chamber Music Festival is a special treat each year); ECU also hosts a new music festival and the Billy Taylor Jazz Festival.

The broadest variety of world-class entertainment is the S. Rudolph Alexander Performing Arts Series, which brings renowned performers in music and dance

from September through April. Garrison Keillor and some of his “Prairie Home Companion” acting company visited in April, for instance, and this year, the King's Singers, Marvin Hamlisch and the North Carolina Symphony will be among the performers. *See the full schedule of fall cultural events on page 13.*

Off campus, the Folk Arts Society of Greenville stages traditional and contemporary music series and sponsors twice-monthly contra dances. Touring big-name pop concerts come to, well, Raleigh, 80 miles to the west.

The area plays host to several festivals and fun events, some right next to campus, some farther away. In early October is the Pitt County Fair, on the northeast side of town, and St. Timothy's Episcopal Church sponsors a popular Lobster Fair in late October. Early December means the annual Christmas Parade, and a Festival of Trees takes place throughout December in the Greenville Convention Center.

Greenville has a small art museum with occasional special exhibits, an extreme sports park, as well as other more traditional recreational areas, and River Park North has hiking trails, five ponds, picnic areas and frontage along the Tar River. The park also contains the Walter L. Stasavich Science and Nature Center, which includes a 70-seat theater and a variety of exhibits, including a 10,000-gallon freshwater aquarium and turtle touch tank.

East



Faculty salaries up 20 percent in five years

By Bethany Bradsher

If money does indeed talk, then East Carolina is sending a clear message to the faculty: “We appreciate you.” Faculty salaries have risen 20 percent or more over the past five years, raising the paycheck of a typical full professor to \$94,900 in 2007. That’s according to the American Association of University Professors, which gathers salary data from universities nationwide to produce an annual report.

“It really is philosophically a statement of worth,” said English professor Janice Tovey, who became chair of the Faculty Senate on July 1. “They are asking, ‘What’s my value to the department, to the university?’ We want to say, ‘We value what you do. We value your teaching, your research.’ One of the few ways we can say that is with a raise.”

The average pay for other faculty ranks also has jumped by double digits. An associate professor here on average earned \$73,500 in 2007 compared to \$60,265 in 2002. An assistant professor was paid \$65,200 last year, up from \$51,366 five years ago, and an instructor made \$53,700, up from \$43,324 in 2002.

While the pay hikes are impressive, faculty salaries remain well below the national average and are strikingly below the pay at N.C. State and UNC Chapel Hill. A stated goal of East Carolina for some time has been to raise faculty salaries to 80 percent of the average of its peer universities.

Rising faculty salaries are made possible by several factors: a priority from legislators as expressed in the state budget and the judicious and creative use of funds by the deans. The focus has not been to increase all salaries across the board, but on a university-wide commitment to working toward competitive salaries for faculty of all ranks, genders and ethnic backgrounds.

To Marilyn Sheerer, the interim provost and vice chancellor for academic and student affairs, and other administrators who look at the numbers daily, the process of eliminating salary inequities can seem like the leaks that spring up in a dike each time another one is repaired. “My goal at the College of Education was always to get our mean salary for each of the levels above what our

peer group was,” said Sheerer, who served as education dean her first eight years at ECU. “You have to keep playing with it. You have to keep your eye on the compression issues that occur for faculty who have been here for some time; and you have to be constantly thinking of creative ways to move money around.”

Even if pursuing a favorable salary range is a never-ending challenge, East Carolina is enjoying the best climate in years for reaching its stated goal of 80th percentile in salaries. It’s a brighter outlook that can be credited to UNC System President Erskine Bowles, who has emphasized competitive salaries across the system with promises backed up by policy.

“I think there’s been, bottom line, a more definitive emphasis on increasing faculty salaries with Erskine,” Sheerer said.

The measures instituted by Bowles include a decree that 25 percent of any campus-based tuition hike must go to faculty salaries. Growing universities like ECU also get enrollment-increase money each year that goes to fund new faculty positions and to

Average salaries paid at:	Professor	Associate Professor	Assistant Professor	Instructor	Average all faculty
UNC Chapel Hill	\$ 138,500	\$ 90,900	\$ 76,900	\$ 78,700	\$ 101,900
N.C. State	110,800	82,000	69,900	49,200	84,600
UNC Charlotte	105,000	77,200	67,000	*	73,300
UNC Greensboro	103,200	75,600	62,800	55,000	70,100
UNC Wilmington	91,000	72,600	60,500	*	69,900
Appalachian State	86,800	71,700	59,600	49,100	69,100
East Carolina	94,900	73,500	65,200	53,700	68,100
UNC Asheville	84,000	65,500	57,700	*	65,300
National average	\$ 106,495	\$ 74,075	\$ 63,131	\$ 43,541	\$ 79,448

*Does not employ instructors
Source: American Association of University Professors figures for 2007–08

augment the salaries of deserving faculty. Bowles also created a special fund to offer raises to excellent professors who are being courted by other universities.

That’s how East Carolina recently managed to hang on to a valuable member of the School of Music faculty. Sheerer said the professor was offered a job with higher pay elsewhere. East Carolina countered the other school’s offer, and the professor is still part of the ECU family.

“You win some and you lose some,” said Mark Taggart, who served as chair of the Faculty Senate for two years before Tovey took over. “There is always going to be turnover. What I liked to see when I was chair here was to make this a very welcoming, open, nourishing environment for faculty.”

When turnover does occur, competitive salaries—plus the lower cost of living here—put ECU in the running for some of the brightest minds to fill vacancies. Those factors, plus ECU’s designation as a doctoral institution in 1997, have enticed many professors to come to Greenville, even from larger universities with deeper pockets.

Sheerer tells of a professor in special education who came east after five years at UNC Chapel Hill because ECU offered a larger, more collegial department whose faculty was engaged in various grant projects and outreach programs. He came even though, from a salary standpoint, ECU is still behind the state’s “big two”; UNC-CH professors averaged \$138,500 and N.C. State’s made \$110,800, according to the AAUP report.

Other attractions for new faculty are the quality of certain programs and the administration’s willingness to offer perks that increase job satisfaction. For instance, a professor might be offered a leave from teaching while he does research, or an assistant professor in the College of Education might make extra money teaching in the school’s extensive summer programs. Salary is an important factor in the equation, but research and service opportunities also figure in prominently, Sheerer said.

“We are definitely shifting to a research university,” Sheerer said. “Some of the really strong candidates want to know that. The more resources we have, the more we can become known as a multifaceted research university as compared to just a teaching university. Now I’m not trying to deemphasize teaching, but the research piece and the service piece, those pieces are really important. And you need resources to be able to handle them.”

University officials acknowledge that ECU is about middle of the pack in faculty salaries among its peer institutions. Compared to ECU’s average 2007 salary of \$94,900, four of ECU’s peer schools average a lower salary for their professors. The other seven peer institutions pay their professors more than ECU, with the highest, University of Nevada-Reno, averaging \$116,500.

“We’ve got a ways to go,” Taggart said. “We’re still very below the 80th percentile, and certain disciplines are worse than others. Faculty salaries in the performing and creative arts are a lot lower than in science and math.”

The N.C. General Assembly showed its support by including \$34.6 million in the new state budget to help the campuses deal with enrollment growth. Enrollment in the public colleges is up around 8,000 this year alone. More students require more teachers, which puts pressure on salary budgets. The additional funding means East Carolina and other schools won’t have to be quite so tight with a dollar in hiring decisions this year.

East



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Roddy Jones, who constructed many Raleigh landmarks, believes in building things up, not tearing things down

By Steve Tuttle

Although it happened 33 years ago, Roddy Jones '58 remembers the phone call from Leo Jenkins like it was yesterday. The call from the president of East Carolina came shortly after the UNC Board of Governors had pointedly declined to reappoint Jones to the ECU Board of Trustees, which he had chaired the past two years. "Do you know what those b***** did today?," Jenkins shouted into the phone.

Jones hadn't heard the news but he knew he had irritated university leaders with his strong advocacy for a medical school in Greenville. Bill Friday, who then was president of the nascent UNC system, thought people inside the 16-campus university system should remain neutral in the political debate over a medical school in Greenville. Jones admittedly had become "quite verbose in several newspaper articles" in favor of the medical school.

Jenkins told Jones that the unprecedented move so upset David Whichard, the *Greenville Daily Reflector* publisher who sat on the Board of Governors, that he had nominated Jones from the floor for another term, to no avail. ("His removal from the board strikes us as a petty act that is not becoming to the University of North Carolina system," Whichard wrote in an understated editorial the next day.)

Jones tried calming Jenkins down by putting things in perspective. "If getting kicked off the board of trustees is what I have to do to get the medical school here, then that's a mighty small price to pay," he said flatly.

Such a personal slight would infuriate some people. Others might have vowed revenge. Not Roddy Jones, a tall, lanky man with a quick smile and a soft laugh who only seems interested in building things up, not tearing things down.

MP3  Hear Roddy Jones talk about the phone call from Leo Jenkins at our web site, www.ecu.edu/east.

A well-heeled and politically well-connected Raleigh developer who had built Crabtree Valley Mall and many of Raleigh's finest homes, Jones knew how to handle touchy political situations like this one. He didn't complain; he made it a point to continue supporting higher education across the state by serving on other school boards, including the one at Shaw University. Active in Democratic politics, he continued writing big campaign contribution checks to politicians who put education at the top of their agendas, particularly that newcomer from Wilson, Jim Hunt.

Two years later Hunt was elected governor and Jones was his first appointment to the Board of Governors. He served on the board

quietly and diligently for the next 11 years. In 1988 he was elected board chairman, becoming the first person who was not a graduate of UNC Chapel Hill and the first non-lawyer to preside over public higher education in North Carolina. He served on the board for 18 years.

He says he tried to treat everyone fairly and focused on healing bruised feelings. "During my term [as chairman] there was a coming together to be more fair across the system because [until then] it was always the bigger got bigger and the smaller got stepped on. I think we brought some parity there."

To this day he remains diplomatic about East Carolina's sometimes sensitive

relationships with UNC Chapel Hill and N.C. State University. "We have to support the two flagship institutions and we recognized that. But [East Carolina] had so much to offer and the state had so much to gain by building up that campus in Greenville. The flagships will continue to get favorable treatment because they are involved in so many things. But things are much more fair now."

He pauses, looks out the window and considers the tectonic changes that East Carolina has undergone over the past 50 years, and his central role in many of those events. "We have established ourselves and achieved the high end of the results we were after," he says simply.

Joining the family business

Roddy Jones knew he had a job waiting for him after college if he wanted it. His father and great uncle had created one of Raleigh's largest construction companies, Davidson and Jones. Founded in 1918, the company had built more than 100 churches and many of the city's finest homes, including several in the toney Hayes-Barton and Country Club Hills neighborhoods. He did carpentry work for the company most summers and knew how to handle a hammer. His father, Seby Jones, who later was mayor of Raleigh, wanted his son to join the family business.

Jones relished college life and admittedly was something of a party animal. He helped organize the first panty raid at East Carolina, in 1956. "These things sound so silly to the kids these days." A geology major, he also was among a small group of students who organized the first fraternities and sororities on campus.

"Dr. Leo was vice president at that time and Dr. [John] Messick was president, and he was 100 percent against that sort of thing. Dr. Leo told us how to do it [by drafting an innocuous-sounding proposal to the board of trustees that, somewhere down in the fine print, allowed local groups to affiliate with



Jones is continuing traditions begun by his father and uncle, who founded the company.

national Greek organizations]. We followed his road map and we got them. We got the board to agree to approve it without the president even knowing it was going to come up." Months later, he and others founded the Sigma Nu chapter on campus. He served as Intra-Fraternity Council president in 1957, his junior year.

Near the end of senior year, his father said it was time to decide on a career. "Dad asked me if I wanted to get into the business, and I said I didn't know. Graduation day, he asked, 'Are you coming into the business or not, I have to know.' I said I would give it a shot. This was a Sunday. He said, 'OK, be in the office tomorrow morning at 7 o'clock.' I said wait, I'm going to the beach tomorrow. He said, 'If you want to give it a shot, be in the office at 7 o'clock.' And I was."

He became an apprentice carpenter. "At that time we were about 50-50, still doing a lot of residential and some commercial work, and I cut my teeth building some

of Raleigh's larger homes."

And then disaster struck. "My dad came down with Guillain-Barre Syndrome after I had been out of college a couple of years. He was at home [recuperating] and out of the business for two years. I had to pick it up. So I got a crash Ph.D. in how to run a construction company."

Becoming a major player

Davidson and Jones survived, even thrived, under the 20-something Jones. He put a new emphasis on commercial construction and shifted away from the company's core business of building churches and expensive homes. By the dawn of the 1970s he was ready to take on what then was the biggest construction project in Wake County's history, Crabtree Valley Mall and its more than one million square feet of stores and a high-rise hotel. He became president of Davidson and Jones in 1973 and stayed in that post for the next 20 years.

He was named a distinguished alumnus in 1972, the same year Crabtree opened. He joined the board of trustees in 1973 and was immediately elected chairman, succeeding Robert Morgan. He has remained active and involved in East Carolina affairs ever since. He chaired the fundraising effort for the football stadium expansion in 1977. He created and continues funding several grants and scholarships, including the annual Robert L. Jones Award for Outstanding Teaching and the Robert L. Jones Distinguished Professorship in the School of Music.

He also assumed his father's mantle as a pillar of Raleigh's business and civic communities. He was a founder of Highwoods Properties, a Raleigh real estate development company that went public in 1994 and is traded on the New York Stock Exchange. He served as president of the Carolinas chapter of the Associated General Contractors of America. He served on the boards of trustees at Peace College, Shaw



Roddy Jones with President Leo Jenkins at a 1975 trustees meeting

University, Ravenscroft School, and the Babcock School of Wake Forest University. He chaired the Greater Raleigh Chamber of Commerce and was on the boards of the Tammy Lynn Home and the Raleigh Rescue Mission. He was a director of Carolina Federal Savings and Loan Association, NCNB of North Carolina, cement maker Giant Corp. and Carolina Power & Light Co.

In 1983 he was one of the founders of Wake Education Partnership, the first independent local education fund in North Carolina. Using seed money from The Ford Foundation, the organization brought together business leaders and local educators to boost the local school system. He still serves on its board.

“I think I got it beat into me early that you don’t just go to work and go home. I think I forgot to say no too many times because I was on too many boards. But I have always enjoyed civic life. I think more people should do things like that.”

Over the years Raleigh came to appreciate Roddy Jones as head of one of the Big Three families in the construction business. The three families largely built the Capital City as it exists today. Besides the Joneses, there were the Yorks (Willie and son Smedes), who built Cameron Village and other major properties; and the Richards family, who built North Hills Mall.

“We are fortunate he is in here in Raleigh,” says Smedes York, also a former mayor. “He has always been a friend and somebody I could count on. He is responsive and very talented and gets things done. He has created a lot of things that have done good for Raleigh. In many ways, when you look at Raleigh, you’re looking at Roddy Jones.”

Although the Yorks and the Joneses competed in business, they cooperated in numerous civic endeavors. Both families were and remain prominent in progressive Democratic politics.

Jones, who turned 72 this summer, remembers once when competition between the families turned into cooperation, based

on nothing more than a handshake. “Several years ago we had some land in Cary and the Yorks had some [adjoining] land in Cary, and we both wanted to build a mall there. Things were getting pretty complicated. And then I remember Willie York proposing a solution: We would build the mall buildings and they would build the service center. Today that’s called Cary Towne Center.”

Going national, coming home

With Roddy Jones pushing hard into commercial real estate development, particularly hotels, Davidson and Jones branched out into several states in the early 1980s, with projects from Ohio to Florida and a branch office in Orlando. But during those boom times many of the company’s most notable projects rose in North Carolina. Jones built Eastland Mall in Charlotte, the Raleigh Civic and Convention Center, the Highwoods office complex in Raleigh, several buildings for IBM in Research Triangle Park and the American Airlines terminal at Raleigh-Durham International Airport. Davidson and Jones built the N.C. Biotechnology Center and the N.C. Microelectronics Center, both in RTP. His personal favorite is the Imperial Center in RTP, an office and hotel complex visible from I-40. Opened in 1984, the Imperial Center and its attached Sheraton hotel still boasts the largest convention facilities in the Triangle.

But then the real estate market abruptly collapsed in the late ’80s, leaving Davidson and Jones with unsold projects and mountains of debt. Rather than seek the safety of bankruptcy, as many developers did, Jones personally visited each creditor to negotiate resolutions, often swapping equity for debt. In a 1992 interview in *Business North Carolina* magazine, Jones said those debt workout meetings were devastating to him personally. “When you’re home-grown and have to sit across the table from friends you’ve known a long time, or you’ve known their bosses for a long time, it’s a humbling

experience. I don’t think the Lord meant for us to have too much pride, so maybe He has a way of lowering our self-esteem sometimes.”

It took more than two years of 12- and 14-hour days to resolve the company’s debt issues, and Jones was looking forward to better times when, in 1993, he suffered a heart attack. His doctor said it was imperative that he reduce the stress in his life, which led Jones to sell the company to the Beers concern. But he refused to sell the Imperial Center and continues to manage that property.

He didn’t need the heart attack to let him know it was time to slow down. “You know you’ve been working longer than you feel like when the buildings you built are now being torn down. We built the original Civic Center and how it’s been torn down. You build them to stay forever but times change.”

But that’s not the end of the Davidson and Jones story. His son, Robert Davidson Jones ’94, an industrial technology major, came to him a couple of years ago and said he wanted to revive Davidson and Jones and start building houses again. He agreed and gave his son the same advice he got from his father: “My dad taught me early on to never fall in love with a rooftop. There’s a time to build them and a time to sell them. But people are different. When you make a friend, when you make a commitment, you keep those forever.”

It’s been 50 years since Roddy Jones graduated from East Carolina, and he has remained a true friend of the university ever since. “I celebrated the 50th anniversary in 1957 when I was a student there. I was back there last year for the 100th anniversary. I know that school has been good for me all these years and the friendships I made there. I still see a lot of them. And now I’ve been in this business 50 years.”

As he and every good carpenter knows, a good building starts with a firm foundation.

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FALL SPORTS SCHEDULES

FOOTBALL

Date	Opponent	Time
Sept. 6	vs. West Virginia <i>Pirate Club Weekend</i>	4:30 PM
Sept. 27	vs. Houston* <i>Family Weekend/Band Day</i>	3:30 PM
Oct. 18	vs. Memphis* <i>Hall of Fame-Letterwinners/Military Appreciation</i>	12:00 PM
Nov. 8	vs. Marshall* <i>Homecoming</i>	3:30 PM
Nov. 28	vs. UTEP* <i>Academic Success/Senior Day</i>	1:00 PM

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West Virginia
All Tickets - \$55
C-USA Games
Adult (13 and older) - \$35
Youth (12 and under) - \$20

SWIMMING & DIVING

Date	Opponent	Time
Sept. 26	East Carolina Diving Invitational	All Day
Oct. 3	Purple/Gold	3:00 PM
Oct. 17	Davidson	6:00 PM
Nov. 8	College of Charleston/ Catawba College	12:00 PM

SOCCER

Date	Opponent	Time
Aug. 22	Western Carolina	5:00 PM
Sept. 18	Gardner Webb	4:00 PM
+ Sept. 21	Coastal Carolina	3:00 PM
# Oct. 10	Tulsa*	4:00 PM
# Oct. 12	SMU*	1:00 PM
Oct. 17	Colorado College*	4:00 PM
! Oct. 19	UTEP*	12:00 PM
Oct. 26	Memphis*	1:00 PM
% Oct. 31	Marshall*	3:00 PM
+ Youth Soccer Day # Parent’s Weekend		
! Camper Reunion Day		

VOLLEYBALL

Date	Opponent	Time
EAST CAROLINA CLASSIC		
Aug. 29	East Tennessee State	7:00 PM
Aug. 30	Howard	1:00 PM
Aug. 30	High Point	7:00 PM
Sept. 10	Campbell	7:00 PM
Sept. 17	UNC-Wilmington	7:00 PM
EAST CAROLINA INVITATIONAL		
Sept. 19	Marshall*	7:00 PM
Sept. 20	Morgan State	1:00 PM
Sept. 20	NC State	7:00 PM
Sept. 26	UAB*	7:00 PM
Sept. 28	Memphis*	1:00 PM
Oct. 10	Houston*	7:00 PM
Oct. 12	Rice*	1:00 PM
Oct. 24	Tulsa*	7:00 PM
Oct. 26	SMU*	1:00 PM
% Nov. 7	Southern Miss*	7:00 PM
Nov. 9	UCF*	1:00 PM

All times Eastern. Dates/times subject to change. There is no charged entry for soccer, volleyball or swimming & diving matches.
* denotes C-USA matchup % Senior Day, sponsored by East Carolina Alumni Association

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Creating creativity, musically

BY STEVE ROW



Eddie Jacobs has ways of bringing the music out of students, even those who admit coming to class unprepared. In those cases, Jacobs often asks the student to do one simple thing: Play one note on the keyboard. He then asks the student to play a second note, then a third and a fourth note. Then he sets a timer for five minutes and tells the student to compose something based on those four notes.

“Generally works every time,” says Jacobs, associate professor of music composition, theory and electronic music in the ECU School of Music.

A member of the ECU faculty since 1998, Jacobs teaches one of the most difficult courses in any college catalog—a course based almost entirely on student creativity. A course with no single right answer and very few wrong answers.

Although he has his own ideas about composing—his own works carry such titles as *Time As A Fly*, *Ensemblespiel* and *The Thing With Feathers*—he tries not to impose those ideas on his students. “I don’t care what they do stylistically, but the demands they encounter are that this is a process of constant decision-making. As we meet each week and review materials, it’s my job to ask what works, what doesn’t, why it doesn’t. I hope that in the process, they will get rid of the chaff,” he says. “But everything is so subjective.”

Jacobs encounters three broad groups of students in composition classes—those curious to know what it’s like to create, those who think they have something to say, and those who think composition is their life’s path.

Few, if any, come to him having had training or instruction in creating music; younger students generally come into composition with some performance experience, such as a local orchestra, Suzuki instruction or marching band, but not much in the way of thinking creatively about music.

“For me, composition is approached in multiple stages by dipping into one’s creativity. You write down ideas and filter through them to find the best one idea to pursue. You decide, ‘Which ones are good thesis statements?’”

J. Christopher Buddo, director of the School of Music, admires Jacobs’ way of staying current in an ever-changing field as he teaches. “One of the things that I find most fascinating is that Eddie is always keeping abreast of what’s new. He stays on top of things, and this lets him engage students in a way that reaches them where they are.”

Jacobs “always brings a level of quality to his teaching, because he is quite demanding of his students in a way that turns them on, not off,” Buddo adds.

A jazz saxophone player from age 10 through college, Jacobs earned a bachelor’s degree in music composition from the University of Massachusetts in 1984, a master’s from the University of California-Berkeley in 1986 and a doctor of musical arts from Columbia University in 1994.

He taught at Wabash College in Indiana from 1995 to 1998 before coming to ECU. Before Wabash, he also was a part-time or adjunct instructor at Columbia, Manhattan College and Yeshiva College.



In addition to teaching, Jacobs has been active in conducting. He founded the Wabash College Chamber Orchestra and conducted the Wabash Brass Ensemble, Columbia University Orchestra and Chamber Orchestra. He also was a guest conductor with the ECU Symphony Orchestra in 2002.

One of his most prominent roles on the ECU campus, however, is founder and director of the New Music @ ECU Festival, which concluded its eighth annual session in the early part of the spring semester.

‘An interest in hearing this stuff’

The festival started almost by accident. Jacobs recalls that then-School of Music dean Brad Foley had “told me on the first day I was here we need to hear your music.” In 1999, a year later, Jacobs put together a program that featured his own music and that of ECU faculty member Mark Richardson, which prompted another faculty member to suggest that perhaps more contemporary music should be available on campus.

In spring 2001, Jacobs asked soprano Christine Schadeberg to perform *Pierrot lunaire*, a 45-minute “landmark piece” for voice and instruments by Arnold Schoenberg from 1912, and even though it was a Friday afternoon, “the recital hall was packed,” Jacobs says. The performance prompted a standing ovation, and she performed the music a second time that evening. The hall was packed again.

“That made me think that there is an interest here in hearing this stuff,” he says, and the idea of continuing a contemporary music festival-type program took hold.

Not only does the festival expose local audiences to a wide range of

contemporary music, but it also exposes music students to contemporary music composers and performers. “Student composers will write an exercise for great artists to review and evaluate and for performance,” he points out.

The 2008 festival, for example, featured Speculum Musicae, a New York-based ensemble that served as Robert L. Jones Distinguished Visiting Professor of Music during the academic year. Also performing were the ECU New Music Camerata with soprano Louise Toppin; pianist Geoffrey Burleson; the ECU Chamber Orchestra; and ECU faculty member and clarinetist Christopher Grymes. Organist Colin Andrews gave a recital to mark the 100th anniversary of the birth of composer Olivier Messiaen.

“There’s always a teaching component to the festival,” Buddo says. “His students always have the chance to interact with the composers and performers.”

Jacobs has composed more than 30 pieces of music since 1983, and his work in composition drew national attention in 2005, when he was named a winner of a \$15,000 Charles Ives Fellowship from the American Academy of Arts and Letters. He was one of more than 50 composers, artists, architects and writers to receive cash awards for their work.

“It’s a wonderful honor to be recognized alongside so many distinct composers,” Jacobs said at the time. “I’m flattered to be included among such a wonderful group.”

His work continues to get exposure before a larger audience. During the final concert of the 2007–08 Four Seasons Chamber Music Festival, for example, artistic director Ara Gregorian included Jacobs’ *Time As A Fly*, a piece for string quintet that had been completed only a short time before. His composition shared a program with quintets by

Brahms and Mendelssohn.

“If you put Brahms and Jacobs next to each other, they complement each other,” Jacobs says. “In fact, I’m greatly influenced by Brahms. I believe that contemporary and older music both sort of inform each other.”

Gregorian is a fan of Jacobs. “I can see the great relationships that students have with him and the amount of respect that they have for him. Eddie is greatly respected by me and all of his colleagues for the quality of his work and for the way that he interacts with the students as well as his colleagues. He is a true leader in the School of Music.”

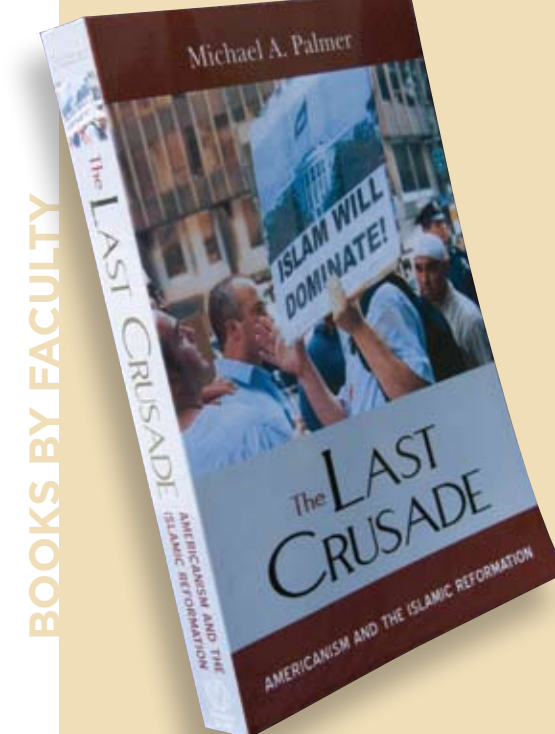
A teacher first

Jacobs, who was nominated for the ECU Alumni Distinguished Teaching Award in 2004, considers himself a teacher first, then composer, conductor and festival director. And he does not restrict his teaching to ECU classrooms. He goes into local schools to work with fourth through sixth grade students in a “young composers” program.

“The kids make music, and the teachers teach note names, rhythms and values,” he says. “At first, they learn that we’re just playing with sound. But then we do the same thing with percussion instruments, then recorders, then guitars. I act as a secretary, and the students tell me what to cut and paste to create a melody.”

Some of the results are impressive, the same as some of the results he hears in his ECU classroom.

“What I look forward to the most is going into the classroom. So much of what I teach is based on music with which I am very familiar, and yet every time I teach it, it’s like I’m hearing it for the first time. I enjoy hearing the students hearing the music,” he says.



Why they hate us

In his new book, history professor Michael Palmer answers the question that’s been on the minds of Americans since 9/11, which is “Why do they hate us so?” They hate us now, Palmer argues, the same way they hated us centuries ago when the Crusades invaded their insular world. Much of the Islamic world, particularly the parts of it the U.S. has invaded or bombed, feels attacked by the West in what they see as a new crusade.

Palmer eschews political correctness to address a singular difference between the western and Islamic worlds. Much of the Muslim world spent four centuries under the thumb of the Ottoman Empire in a society that embraced feudalism even after the West rejected it for democracy and an open, secular society. Islam did not experience a Renaissance, a reformation or enlightenment. Thus, two points of view now conflict: Someone who is a radical Islamist in our eyes is a religious reformer in theirs.

Some would call Palmer a hawk for contending that we probably will win the political war against the jihadists, and that the sooner we do so, the less brutal it will be.

The Last Crusade: Americanism and the Islamic Reformation
273 pages. Potomac Books
\$17.95



Luxury suites in stadium expansion plan

By Bethany Bradsher

Backed by Pirate Club fundraising, East Carolina plans to add 4,500 seats to Dowdy-Ficklen Stadium by building bleachers topped by luxury suites in what is now the open east end zone with the Jumbotron TV screen. The Student Pirate Club section probably would move to the new horseshoe to make that end zone hostile space for visitors or welcoming arms for the home team. To manage the \$24 million project, East Carolina has retained the same Chapel Hill architectural firm that oversaw the latest stadium expansions at N.C. State and UNC Chapel Hill.

Just 10 years after the last Dowdy-Ficklen expansion, the project planning already is under way, at least underground where a sewer pipe needs to be upgraded. That \$800,000 improvement began earlier this year. The hope is that the expansion, which will raise the stadium's seating capacity to 48,000, will be completed by the start of the 2010 season.

While the details of the new horseshoe section remain in flux, Jimmy Bass, senior associate director of athletics for external operations, said that Pirate Club demand and the visions of Terry Holland and Skip Holtz have shown that East Carolina must have better football facilities. "We're trying to create for all of our sports world-class facilities so that they'll have a chance to recruit, and for those student-athletes to compete on the very best surfaces available," Bass said.

Long term, officials are mulling a phase two expansion of Dowdy-Ficklen. Some existing spaces in the stadium will be freshened up. The press box and other spaces on the south side will be refurbished. Those renovations will be done with the future in mind. The work will prepare the top portion of the south side with footings for another upper deck years down the road.

The football stadium expansion is the centerpiece of a broader sports facilities upgrade plan that will impact virtually every

sport. The university has committed to a range of projects, including a new women's softball stadium, a new track and field facility and a new auxiliary gym at Minges Coliseum that will house practice courts for the men's and women's basketball teams and the volleyball team. Now, the basketball and volleyball teams all must share one gym for practice and games.

Also on the list are 12 new tennis courts, a women's soccer field and practice facility, a women's sports field house and a sports medicine facility. The university is financing that part of the facilities plan from indebtedness to be repaid from a \$70 annual student debt service fee and gifts.

"ECU may be the only Division IA institution in the country with only one gym for three sports," Holland said. "Health and Human Performance also uses the one gym until after lunch each class day. Many schools now have separate practice facilities for all three sports that are available to those student-athletes 24-7."

Funding for all of these new digs will come from a variety of sources, but current plans don't call for a capital campaign. The first phase of the Dowdy-Ficklen expansion—the east end zone seating and luxury suites—won't rely on the sale of seat licenses or similar investments as once contemplated. The Board of Governors has approved the use of self-liquidating bonds for the funding. Much of the money will come from the sale of season tickets in the space vacated by the students when they move to the new end zone seats and from the revenue generated by the luxury boxes.

The relocation of the Student Pirate Club (SPC) to the new end zone section makes sense from both atmospheric and financial angles, Bass said. The largest student organization on campus, SPC members received 4,200 tickets last season, so they will fill that section easily. Students will have the horseshoe to themselves where can create a "Pirate Pound" pandemonium that could

make a difference in a close game.

"Most importantly," Bass added, "[the expansion] would open about 3,000 seats for us on the north side that we could sell to Pirate Club donors and open up new revenue streams." A scheduled reseating of Dowdy-Ficklen Stadium planned for 2009 likely will be postponed until 2010 to allow for the adjustments that the new end zone will necessitate. Prime seats in other parts of the stadium could also be vacated when boosters move in to one of the planned luxury boxes.

There have been questions about how good the view will be from luxury suites situated high over the end zone instead of midfield. However, a recent survey of Pirate Club donors indicates the club will have few problems selling as many as 28 boxes, each containing 16 seats. The survey asked respondents to rate their interest in a luxury box. Twenty-two percent of the 2,529 respondents indicated some level of interest in leasing a luxury box.

Bass said that end zone luxury boxes at other schools have been well received. "The suites create a premier seating option for those who can contribute the larger gifts we need to be competitive in today's world of big time intercollegiate athletics," Holland said.

Carolina is adding 20 luxury boxes in the west end zone of its stadium; similar layouts house fans at West Virginia and Virginia Tech. When a Pirate contingency toured Lane Stadium in Blacksburg, an administrator there said that only one of their 30 end zone boxes had turned over in 10 years.

Pirate Club director Mark Wharton said he is trying to educate the Pirate Nation on the uniqueness of the end zone project. "I think there's still a lot of cloudiness on whether we're going to put boxes on the press box side, Wharton said. "The answer to that right now is no, these are the only boxes we're going to have"

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Fall Alumni Events



ECU GOES FOR THE GOLD

Come home

to East Carolina University to participate in the many events for alumni taking place this fall. Bring your family and join us for Alumni Tailgate, the ECU Alumni Scholarship Classic and Homecoming 2008: ECU Goes for the Gold. We hope you will come back to Greenville to renew old friendships and make new ones with fellow Pirates. Be sure to visit our Web site at PirateAlumni.com for event details and registration forms, or give us a call at **800-ECU-GRAD**. Welcome home.

ECU ALUMNI SCHOLARSHIP CLASSIC

Presented by the Hilton Greenville
Friday, October 17, 2008

Grab your clubs and call your golfing buddies to make a team for the ECU Alumni Scholarship Classic at Ironwood Golf and Country Club. This annual tournament raises funds for Alumni Scholarships given to deserving ECU undergraduates. 2007 was a banner year for our golf tournament, which raised more than \$25,000. Let's make history again in 2008.

The night before you play, bring friends to the Hilton for our Pirate's Bounty Scholarship Auction, a fun evening with

beach music, hors d'oeuvres, Pirate beverages, and auction items. Our four-person superball tournament begins Friday with breakfast from ARAMARK at 8 a.m. followed by the first flight at 9 a.m. Then enjoy a catered lunch form O'Charley's and the second flight at 2 p.m. Join fellow players for the 19th Hole Reception at the clubhouse after a great day on the links as part of your player package.

Visit our web site at PirateAlumni.com/golf for complete details and to see all of the businesses that make our tournament a success. Please contact Liz Ellerbe at 800-ECU-GRAD for sponsorship details.



Homecoming 2008

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 7

Homecoming Luncheon

11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m., Mendenhall Student Center, Great Room

Start your Homecoming weekend off with a great meal at Mendenhall Student Center. Vice Chancellor for Administration and Finance Kevin Seitz will share future plans for the campus. Parking is available behind Mendenhall.

Bus Tour of Campus

1:00-2:00 p.m., Bus will depart from the Joyner Library clock tower

Join host Jim Westmoreland '74, '77 for a bus tour of ECU's campus. This tour is the perfect opportunity to see your old residence hall and favorite hangout.

ECU Classroom Experiences take alumni back to college days and provide unique learning opportunities. The Alumni Association is proud to offer three ECU Classroom Experiences during Homecoming:

ECU history professor and author **Dr. Gerald J. Prokopowicz** will lead a discussion on his thought provoking book, *Did Lincoln Own Slaves?: And Other Frequently Asked Questions About Abraham Lincoln*.
1:00-2:00 p.m., Joyner Library, 2nd Floor Conference Room

Lt. General Gary North '76, Commander of the 9th Air Force and U.S. Central Command Air Forces, and 2008 Outstanding Alumni Award recipient returns to campus.
2:15 p.m., Mendenhall Student Center, Great Room

Explore ECU
Special Collections and Archives
2:15 p.m., Joyner Library

Reception Honoring

Reverend Kenneth Hammond '73, '83, '85
4:00 p.m., Ledonia Wright Cultural Center

The Black Alumni Chapter of the East Carolina Alumni Association will host a reception in honor of Rev. Kenneth Hammond, 2008 Outstanding Alumni Award recipient. Hammond is senior pastor at Union Baptist Church, one of the largest congregations in Durham, NC, and a charter member of ECU's Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity.

Alumni Awards Cocktail Reception
6:00 p.m., Hilton Greenville

Take a moment to congratulate this year's award recipients before the awards dinner.

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ALUMNI TAILGATE 2008

Tailgating is a tradition at ECU and the East Carolina Alumni Association provides the perfect opportunity to leave your grill at home and join our family-friendly Alumni Tailgate two-and-a-half hours prior to kick-off. Enjoy food provided by local restaurants, plenty of cold beverages, a chance to see Pee Dee the Pirate and the ECU Cheerleaders, and win great door prizes under our Tailgate tent. Alumni Tailgate is located outside Gate 1 of Minges Coliseum on the north side of Dowdy-Ficklen Stadium. The cost is \$5 per person for Alumni Association members and \$10 per person for non-members; children 10 and under are free.

Not a member of the Alumni Association? Show your Pirate Pride and join today. Go to PirateAlumni.com/jointoday for details about the many benefits of membership, including Alumni Tailgate, or call us at 800-ECU-GRAD.

Note: Tailgate and kickoff times are subject to change.

HOME ALUMNI TAILGATES

Sept. 6, WVU. vs. ECU. Tailgate 2:00-4:00 p.m., kickoff, 4:30 p.m., sponsored by O'Charley's and ARAMARK

Sept. 27, Houston vs. ECU. Tailgate 1:00-3:00 p.m., kickoff at 3:30 p.m. sponsored by Chico's, Fuddrucker's and ARAMARK

Oct. 18, Memphis vs. ECU. Tailgate 9:30-11:30 a.m., kickoff at 12 noon sponsored by The Honeybaked Ham Co. and Café and ARAMARK

Nov. 8, Marshall vs. ECU, Homecoming 2008. Tailgate 1:00-3:00 p.m., kickoff at 3:30 p.m. sponsored by ARAMARK

Nov. 28, UTEP vs. ECU. Tailgate 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m., kickoff at 1:00 p.m. sponsored by ARAMARK

In addition to our home Tailgates, join the Alumni Association and the Pirate Club as we



take Tailgate on the road. This year we are excited to offer Tailgate at five away games. Away game Tailgates offer the same family-friendly atmosphere you've come to expect during home Tailgates, along with great food and plenty of prizes. Away game Tailgates are \$20 per person; children 10 and under are free.

AWAY GAME ALUMNI TAILGATES

August 30, Va. Tech vs. ECU in Charlotte. Tailgate 9:30-11:30 a.m., kickoff at 12 noon

Sept. 13, ECU vs. Tulane. Tailgate 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. CT, kickoff at 2 p.m. CT

Sept. 20, ECU vs. N.C. State. Tailgate TBA, kickoff TBA

Oct. 11, ECU vs. UVa. Tailgate TBA, kickoff TBA

Nov. 2, ECU vs. UCF. Tailgate 5:30-7:30 p.m., kickoff at 8 p.m.

Thank you to our Alumni Tailgate sponsors:



Homecoming 2008

Alumni Awards Ceremony 7:00 p.m., Hilton Greenville

Join us in recognizing alumni who have demonstrated outstanding merit and achievement as we honor this year's award recipients:

Outstanding Alumni Award recipients

Capt. David M. Fitzgerald, Jr. '66, retired U.S. Navy captain, 2007 Congressional Veteran Commendation recipient

Rev. Kenneth R. Hammond '73, '83, '85, senior pastor of Union Baptist Church, pastor mentor for Duke Divinity School, and adjunct professor of United Christian Bible Institute

Dr. Jerry E. McGee '65, president of Wingate University, and NCAA football official

Lt. Gen. Gary L. North '76, U.S. Air Force Commander, 9th Air Force and U.S. Central Command Air Forces, Shaw Air Force Base, S.C.

Distinguished Service Award recipient

Stephen D. Showfety '70, president of Koury Corporation, board member, ECU Foundation; member, Henry VanSant Society of the Pirate Club; former Vice Chairman, ECU Board of Visitors; former Secretary, Vice Chairman, and Chairman, ECU Board of Trustees

Honorary Alumni

Dr. Richard R. "Dick" Eakin, ninth Chancellor of East Carolina University, and Mrs. Jo Ann "Jo" McGeehan Eakin, wife of Dr. Eakin and ECU campus beautification advocate

Charles Rogers, owner of Lifetime Houses and avid volunteer and supporter of numerous ECU organizations

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 8

Alumni Open House

9:00 a.m., Taylor-Slaughter Alumni Center
Start your day with a complimentary breakfast with the Alumni Association. Then grab a front-row seat for the Homecoming parade.

Homecoming Parade 10:00 a.m., Fifth Street

Watch the annual ECU Homecoming parade as the Marching Pirates and plenty of decorated floats parade down Fifth Street.

Homecoming Alumni Tailgate 1:00–3:00 p.m.

See the Alumni Tailgate section on the preceding pages for Alumni Tailgate information.



WHILE YOU'RE IN TOWN...

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 7

Volleyball: Southern Miss vs. ECU
7:00 p.m., Williams Arena at Minges Coliseum

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 8

1st Annual ECU Army ROTC Pirate Battalion Wounded Warrior 10K and 1 Mile Road Races: Warriors Supporting Warriors
8:30 a.m., Lynndale neighborhood behind Food Lion on Red Banks Road

This race benefits the Fort Bragg Wounded Warrior Program.

Swimming and Diving: College of Charleston, Catawba vs. ECU
8:30 a.m., Minges Natatorium in Minges Aquatic Center

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 9

Volleyball: UCF vs. ECU
1:00 p.m., Williams Arena at Minges Coliseum

ON-CAMPUS HOMECOMING DISCOUNTS

Dowdy Student Stores
"Welcome Back" Celebration
Thursday, November 6–Saturday, November 8

Visit the Dowdy Student Store to view various ECU memorabilia and take advantage of our "Show Us Your Ring Sale." We will open early on Saturday, for pre-parade shopping!

Student Recreation Center free workout
Friday, November 7–Saturday, November 8

Alumni and a guest will be admitted for free at the Student Recreational Center. Stop by the registration desk when entering the Recreation Center. Alumni may bring two additional guests for \$5 each.

COLLEGES, SCHOOLS, AND DEPARTMENT HOMECOMING ACTIVITIES

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 7

Department of Technology Systems—Distribution and Logistics
Golf outing
9:00 a.m.–2:00 p.m., Bradford Creek Golf Club

RSVP to Mark Angolia by October 1 at 252-737-1036 or angoliam@ecu.edu.

Department of Chemistry
Homecoming Celebration
5:30 p.m., Science and Technology Building
Contact Keith Holmes at 252-737-1566 or holmesk@ecu.edu.

ECU Student Judicial Board
7:00 p.m., Cynthia Lounge in Mendenhall Student Center
Meet and greet for current and past judicial board members.

Contact Jason Sininger at siningerj@ecu.edu.

School of Music
'70s Alumni Reunion and Recital
A.J. Fletcher Recital Hall

Contact Bonnie Mani '73 at manib@ecu.edu to RSVP and/or play.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 8

College of Allied Health Sciences
"Second" 40th anniversary celebration

Complimentary breakfast reception
8 a.m., Allied Health Sciences Building Lobby
Recognition ceremony
10:00 a.m., "Old" Laupus Library
RSVP to Pat Frede by Nov. 1 at 252-747-3523 or fredep@ecu.edu.

College of Education
Homecoming "Breakfast on the Porch"
9:00 a.m., Light breakfast
10:00 a.m., Parade watching
Front porch of Speight Building

RSVP to Gayle McLawhorn by Nov. 3 at 252-328-6397 or mclawhorn@ecu.edu.

College of Human Ecology
Pre-parade Homecoming gathering
9 a.m., Light breakfast and activities for children
Rivers Building Lobby
10 a.m., Parade watching

Contact Sandy Jackson at 252-328-5754 or jacksonsa@ecu.edu

Department of Physics
Physics graduates reunion and lunch
9:00 a.m.–1:00 p.m., Howell Science Complex
RSVP to Tom Sayetta by October 1 at 252-328-1957 or sayettat@ecu.edu.

College of Business
Homecoming Social
9:30-11:30 a.m., Tent on Fifth Street in front of the Jenkins Fine Arts Center

Contact Anne Bogey at 252-328-4396 or bogeya@ecu.edu.

Department of Geography
Open House
10:00-11:00 a.m., Brewster C-201
Contact Karen Mulcahy at 252-328-4991 or mulcahyk@ecu.edu.

Department of Technology Systems—Distribution and Logistics
Tailgate
12:30–3:00 p.m., Under the scoreboard, across from Elmhurst Elementary School
RSVP to Mark Angolia by October 1 at 252-737-1036 or angoliam@ecu.edu.

Athletic Training
Alumni Reunion
1:00–3:00 p.m., Gatorade tent in V.I.P. parking lot off of Charles Blvd.
Contact Morgan Cooper at cooperm@ecu.edu.

Brody School of Medicine
Medical Alumni Tailgate
1:00 p.m., Pirate's Cove, catered by Parker's BBQ
RSVP to Candace Darden by November 1 at 252-744-2238 or dardenc@ecu.edu.

ECU Chapter of the American Library Association
Pre-game cookout
1:00 p.m.

Contact Jami Jones at jonesj@ecu.edu by October 15.

Interior Design
Interior Design Lunch
1:00-3:00 p.m., East Carolina Alumni Association Alumni Tailgate location
Contact Charles Gustina at 252-737-2057 or gustinac@ecu.edu.



BLACK ALUMNI REUNION

This year's Black Alumni Reunion weekend will be better than ever. We've planned something for everyone with activities on Friday, Saturday, and Sunday.

Start this fun-filled reunion weekend on Friday with a reception honoring 2008 Outstanding Alumni Award recipient Rev. Kenneth Hammond '73, '83, '85. Then take your pick of attending the Alumni Awards Ceremony or the energetic Step Show at Wright Auditorium. Later, we'll get together for midnight bowling and catching up with friends.

On Saturday, start the day by watching the lively Homecoming Parade. We'll pre-game at the Alumni Tailgate before heading over to Dowdy-Ficklen for the Homecoming game.

After the game, enjoy the smooth sounds of renowned jazz artist Carroll Dashiell and his jazz combo during the Jazz Social. Dashiell is director of ECU's Jazz Ensemble "A," an internationally recognized group that has played at Carnegie Hall, Birdland Jazz Club in New York City, and on The Tonight Show with Jay Leno.

Continue the night at the After Hours Dance Party, dancing to a mix of the latest jams and some old favorites. Shuttle service will be provided for reunion participants, and childcare will be offered for children ages 1 month–12 years.

Before heading out of town on Sunday morning, gather with fellow black alumni for worship at Cornerstone Missionary Baptist Church and brunch at K&W Cafeteria.

Be sure to register early and order a Black Alumni polo shirt. Proceeds from the sale of the polos will go toward the Black Alumni Chapter's textbook gift certificate program.

His sound of music

If you enjoyed Jimmy Buffett in concert at East Carolina, or Charlie Daniels, Cheap Trick, the Pointer Sisters, America, Styx, Molly Hatchett or any of the bands that played Mingos in the late 1970s and early '80s, you can thank

Hugh Johnson

'81. During those years he chaired the SGA entertainment committee that picked the bands and provided the volunteer labor needed to stage the concerts. In the process Johnson, an English major from Dunn whose dad owned the local Radio Shack, learned a lot about the entertainment business.

Johnson had so much fun staging the campus concerts that after graduation he moved to the beach and tried making a living managing some local bands, with mixed success. He moved to Nashville in 1986 to take a job as a sound engineer at a recording studio and soon was moonlighting as a sound man at clubs on Music Row. That's where, in 1989, he struck up a friendship with a young guitar player named Vince Gill. An emerging star in country music, Gill was launching a national tour and needed someone to produce the sound at the concerts. He offered Johnson the job.

Johnson has been on the road with Vince Gill ever since, through 10 hit albums, thousands of live concerts and, in 2007, Gill's induction into the Country Music Hall of Fame. For nearly 20 years now Johnson has been Gill's production manager and "front of house" or FOH man, the person in charge of about everything associated with staging a major

concert. And he's still thrilled to be employed in the music business.

"My job starts about a month before the concert. I get information regarding the show from the booking agent or venue management. I get the name of a contact person and then make all the arrangements for the show, like whether we need a full band, a symphony or just a piano player. At that point I sit down with the person on the venue end who is responsible for having everything ready for us when we get there. That's when I will make all the arrangements for the technical side of the performance. On the day of the show, I supervise all of the technical operations. The last thing I do is mix the front of house PA for the show. That's my favorite part."

It's also the most important because the acoustics vary from one concert hall to the next but the quality of the sound—particularly Gill's voice—should remain constant in the "front of the house" where the audience sits.

This fall's tour is a bit different because Gill is performing exclusively acoustical, which requires less equipment and a smaller road crew. The tour got under way when Johnson staged Gill's big Fourth of July concert at Ryman Auditorium in Nashville, the traditional home of the Grand Ole Opry. Then he set out on a month of shows across the Northeast, to be followed by a West Coast swing.

Johnson's life on tour rolls in a constant cycle: Having driven all night from the previous show, the tour bus hits town around 9

o'clock, accompanied by a semi loaded with equipment. Johnson directs a crew of eight unloading the trucks, setting up the sound system, microphones and mixers. Lunch offers an opportunity to check out the local attractions. Early afternoon is a rush because everything must be ready for a sound check by the band at 4 p.m. The show's usually over around 10 o'clock and the crew spends an hour or two breaking down the equipment and loading everything back in the trucks, which immediately hit the road for the next town on the tour. Sometimes Johnson flies but he usually lives and sleeps on the tour bus, which is a multimillion-dollar yacht on wheels that sleeps 12 comfortably. He works two weeks of concerts and then has two weeks off for rest or maybe relocating to another part of the country, where Gill will start another two weeks of shows.

Traditionally, Vince Gill's fall tour culminates with three weeks of the popular Christmas shows he does with his wife, Amy Grant. After those shows, Johnson has a few months off.

Many in Gill's inner circle have been with him for years. "We're a family," Johnson says. But sometimes the family doesn't all stay together, as he recalls from the days before everyone carried cell phones. "One of the funniest things that ever happened to me

was getting off the bus in Ogden, Utah, at a truck stop and getting separated from the group. I thought they had left me but they had just parked where I couldn't see the bus. Then I spotted our merchandising people, who were traveling separately in a Suburban. I jumped in the Suburban with them and we ran down the highway looking for the tour bus. Eventually, we stopped at a truck stop in Cheyenne, Wyoming, and reached someone who had just talked with Vince and they were wondering what happened to me."

How time flies, he says. "I really had no idea that this would lead me down the path I'm on now but it certainly did," he muses. "I'm certainly grateful that I found a career in what I enjoyed doing the most in college. You know, in this business it's unusual to work so long for one person so I'm really lucky to have worked all these years for someone who has a family mentality about the people around them."

Several times over the years people in the crowd have approached him after a show and asked, "Didn't you go to East Carolina?" He enjoys those visits. "Tell everybody from ECU that if Vince Gill is ever playing in their town, come on down to the show and ask for me. I'd love to talk."

—Steve Tuttle

Two join alumni board

The Alumni Association is pleased to announce the addition of two new board members, state Rep. Marion McLawhorn '67 '88 '97 and retired Navy Captain James Newman Jr. '68 '74. These Pirates are ready to add their insight, talent and passion for East Carolina to our dedicated, hard-working Board of Directors.

McLawhorn holds a bachelor's in business administration, a master's in library science, and a certification in educational leadership and supervision. She spent a number of years in eastern North Carolina serving

Lenior Community College in Kinston as an instructor and head of library media, as media coordinator for D.H. Conley High School in Greenville, and Media Center supervisor for New Bern High School in New Bern. She has represented District 9 (Pitt County) in the House of Representatives since 1999.



McLawhorn served as chair of the Appropriations Subcommittee on Education and the Joint Legislative Committee on Domestic Violence; as vice chair of the Education Subcommittee on Pre-School, Elementary, and Secondary Education; and as a member of the Health, Mental Health Reform, Pensions and Retirement, Ways and Means, Joint Legislative Commission on Governmental Operations; and Joint Legislative Education Oversight committees, among others.

She also has been involved with numerous community organizations including The Arc of Pitt County, ECU Women's Roundtable, Friends of the School of Music at ECU, Greenville Museum of Art, Grifton Chamber of Commerce, Magnolia Arts Center, NAACP, National Order of Women Legislators, the Pirate Club, Sir Walter Cabinet, Uptown Greenville and Women's Forum.

McLawhorn has been married to Richard McLawhorn for 42 years and has four children and three grandchildren.



Newman holds a bachelor's in psychology and a master's in accounting and management. His career in the Navy spans more than 35 years of

active and reservist duty. He enlisted in 1963 and served during the Vietnam War. He held many posts, including: Commanding Officer,

Navy Unit VT708; Battle Watch Commander for the Commander-in-Chief, Atlantic Fleet Headquarters, Norfolk, VA; Commanding Officer, USS Stump DD-978; Operations Officer, USS Suffolk County LST-1173; and Shore Patrol Liaison for Greece and Turkey.

While in the reserves, Newman was employed as a Certified Public Accountant. He currently works in North Carolina state government as the chief fiscal officer/controller for the Department of Insurance. Previously, Newman was controller for the Department of Corrections, chief of the State Productivity Center for the Office of State Budget and Management, and coordinator for the State's Efficiency Project, among other positions.

Newman is chairman of the State Association of Chief Fiscal Officers, a member of the N.C. Association of CPAs Management Advisory Services, a representative for the American Lung Association, and representative for the Pirate Club.

Newman and his wife, Judith, live in Raleigh.

The terms of these new board members began on July 1. The executive board for the 2008–2009 fiscal year includes: Chair Sabrina Bengel; Vice Chair Ernest Logemann '68; Treasurer Carl Davis '73; and Secretary Yvonne Pearce '82. Former Chair Brenda Myrick now serves as past chair of the board.

The directors are looking forward to strengthening the Alumni Association through increased membership, the

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ALUMNI SPOTLIGHT

2007

KYLE M. GREER of Greenville was named personal lines specialist for the Jacksonville branch of SAI Group. He is also a lead vocalist with a rock band. ASHLEY YVONNE HARDY and Christian Michael Lane of Raleigh were married March 30 in Kinston. She teaches at Wake County's Cedar Fork Elementary School. ROBERT EDWARD MORGAN II and Jaclyn Kay White were married March 15 in Raleigh.

2006

WILLIAM EDGAR JR., a commercial loan officer at First Carolina State Bank, was the first recipient of the Weldon "Red" Kimball Award, which recognizes exemplary performance. Edgar has seven years of banking experience and works with small and mid-sized businesses. He is treasurer of the Nash-Rocky Mount Rotary Club. DR. ETHAN LENKER, former superintendent of Jones County schools, was named superintendent of Sampson County schools. A native of Mechanicsburg, Pa., he was in Jones County for 10 years as director of personnel and accountability and a middle school principal before spending three years there as superintendent. JUSTIN SPRUILL is now a federal air marshal. LAUREN WHITE opened a franchise of the Wilmington-based women's boutique Monkee's in Arlington Village with BRIAN DISHMAN '95. A New Bern native, she has worked in retail since she was 16.

2005

STACY BOWENS GASKINS is member services director for the Greenville-Pitt County Chamber of Commerce. She was married on Leap Day in 2004, worked as executive director of the Ayden Chamber of Commerce, and shadowed Dr. Bill Bogey in Pitt County Medical Society's Intern Program. JENNIFER MARIE HARRIS and Edmond Elliot Smith were married July 28, 2007, in Winterville, where they reside. She teaches second grade at Snow Hill Primary School. KAREN ELAINE HARRIS '05 and Mark Freeman McKittrick were married April 7, 2007, in Winterville, where they reside. She teaches reading recovery at W.H. Robinson Elementary School. ELIZABETH LILES is associate relations manager for U.S. Cellular's eastern N.C. area. She was a learning development instructor, sales manager, and retail wireless consultant. JENNIFER LEIGH REEL and GILBERT THOMAS RUTLEDGE were married May 24 at Rock Springs Center in Greenville. They are traveling nurses and plan to continue their traveling careers after honeymooning in St. Lucia.

2004

JAMES BRYANT BEDDARD and KATHRYN



McMahon, who is married to WWE CEO Linda McMahon '69, also was honored earlier this year with the lifetime achievement award from Promax/BDA, a national association of broadcast professionals working in motion graphics. Linda McMahon was honored by East Carolina last year as one of its 100 most distinguished alumnae.

WWE, based in Stamford, Conn., is an international media conglomerate with a market capitalization of \$1.2 billion. The company maintains offices in New York, Los Angeles, Chicago, London, Shanghai, Tokyo, Toronto and Sydney. In 2007, WWE performed 308 live events, including 75 international events, entertaining more than 2 million fans.

McMahon is a supporter of the Make-A-Wish Foundation of America and serves on its National Advisory Council. In 2006, he received the Secretary of Defense Medal for Exceptional Public Service Award for WWE's support of deployed service members in Iraq and Afghanistan.

ALUMNI SPOTLIGHT



Alexis Gillette '07 is representing the United States in the Paralympic Games in Beijing China. Gillette, who has a visual impairment, participated in the Athens Paralympics in

2004, where he won a silver medal in the long jump. He is the American record holder in the long jump and triple jump for individuals with his classification of visual impairment. A native of Raleigh, he is training at the U.S. Olympic Committee center in Chula Vista, Calif. He has a web site, www.nostoppinnow.com.



Dustin "Dusty" Field '94 of Raleigh, the entrepreneur extraordinaire who paid his way through college from proceeds of gumball and pistachio machines he placed in downtown bars and who went on to build an empire of ATM machines serviced through his own armored car company, has latched on to a new business venture: a winery.

Fields, who operates mainly through The Boylan Cos. commercial real estate firm in Raleigh, launched Tobacco Road Cellars just four years ago

and already is attracting critical acclaim. The boutique winery took home a gold medal at the 2008 Riverside International Wine Competition for its 2005 "Vitality" Cabernet Sauvignon. The competition attracted 2,136 entries from 417 wineries around the globe.

Tobacco Road Cellars, which is based in Raleigh, produces its wines from grapes grown in California's Napa Valley, Russian River Valley and Santa Barbara County. It bottles a limited production of specialty Cabernet, Syrah and Pinot Noir for premier steakhouses, bistros and country clubs, and sells directly to the public through its web site, www.tobaccoroadcellars.com. The award-winning Cabernet Sauvignon goes for \$75 a bottle.

Field co-founded The Boylan Cos., which develops upscale apartment and condo communities in the Triangle.

JANE DANIELS '05 '07 of Winterville were married Dec. 29, 2007, in Beaufort. He works with City of Greenville Fire and Rescue, and she teaches kindergarten at Snow Hill Primary School. **MATTHEW BROOKS** is branch manager at Ferguson Plumbing Supplies in Rocky Mount. He worked at the Greenville store for three years before his promotion and transfer. **ROBERT CARNEY** of Miami, Fla., is the new existing industry and marketing manager at the Mooresville-South Iredell Economic Development Corp. A Hickory native, he oversaw the distribution of *Six Degrees Magazine* in Miami and worked with brand awareness for Rockstar Energy Drink. **ANTHONY GOODSON JR.** of Arden is Asheville's housing development analyst, CEO/partner of M.G.G.S., and a member of the Mayor's Task Force for Affordable Housing in Asheville. **BRYAN MATTHEW HANCOCK** and Christy Lynn Lunceford of Rockingham were married March 8. He works for Richmond County government. **MICHAEL D. HOLT** is assistant vice president and business banker at Albemarle Bank & Trust's Greenville loan office. He worked for First Citizens Bank for four years. **RODNEY L. MCNEILL** and Gerald S. Coleman of Winterville were married March 15. He is a fifth grade language arts and social studies teacher with Pitt County Schools. **ELIZABETH ASHLEY PHILIPS** and William Gaston Brown of Greenville were married April 19. She is a sales representative for Lorillard Tobacco. **ANDREW BRENT WHITE** and Catherine Grace McLaurin of Raleigh were married April 12 in Rockingham. He is a supervisor with Alliance Building and Development.

2003

JOSHUA MICHAEL AVINA re-entered the Marines as an officer after graduation and was promoted to captain on June 1 during his second tour in Iraq. **CAPT. JONATHAN EDWARD DARDEN** was assigned to his third Middle East deployment. Commissioned into the Military Intelligence Branch, he was deployed to Afghanistan for 12 months, spent 12 months in Hawaii, was deployed to Iraq for 12 months, the returned to Hawaii for nine months. He attended the military officer advanced course in Arizona before being deployed for another 12 months in Iraq. **BRIAN KELLY FULLERTON** of Charlotte is a pilot based in Dayton, Ohio, with PSA Airlines (US Airways Express). Having completed training as a first officer for the CRJ 200 regional jet, he flies up and down the East Coast and Midwest. **VALERIE GALBERTH** is principal at H.B. Sugg and Sam D. Bundy elementary schools. She was assistant principal for two years and principal for three years at Farmville Central High School after being a school counselor for 20 years. **CHARLES DAVID KEMBLE** '03 '06 of Rockingham and **KATHERINE ELIZABETH COTTLE** '06 of Goldsboro were married May 10 in Goldsboro. He is assistant director of the activity promotion lab and an instructor in exercise and sport

science at ECU. She is a foster care and adoption social worker at Beaufort County Department of Social Services. They live in Greenville. **JUSTIN WAGONER** and Alexis Allen of Lexington were married May 17 at Atlantic Beach. He works for Blue Cross Blue Shield in Winston-Salem. **JENNIFER BETH WOOD** and Russell Lee Elks were married April 26. She works in labor and delivery at PCMH.

2002

DAVID Q. LABARRE II was named to the Durham County Sheriff's bomb squad, which will lead to certification from the Department of Homeland Security. The Durham Civitan Club named him deputy of the year for outstanding service. He has helped solve more than 30 break-ins and participated in a record-breaking \$1.6 million heroin bust. **RONDA SORTINO** '02 '06 is the new principal at Grifton School. She was assistant principal at Farmville Central High School and interim public information officer for Pitt County Schools. In her 10 years in education, she was an exceptional children's teacher at Wellcome Middle School, and a 2004 N.C. Principal Fellow Scholarship Recipient. **CAROLINE EAGLES TOUMEY** and Henry Sheldon Dellinger of Charlotte were married Feb. 2 in Charlotte. She is the human resources manager for Bobcats Sports and Entertainment.

2001

APRIL MICHELLE AVINA is a school psychologist in the Ashtabula, Ohio, school system. **RUFUS DALTON SMITH III** and Amy Jo Bell of Greenville were married May 10 at Whitehurst Lake House in Washington. He is a planner for Roanoke Rapids.

2000

MARY RUTH BRANTLEY '00 '01 and Michael Bradley Sikes of Winterville were married May 10. She is an account manager at DSM Pharmaceuticals. **CLAYTON PORTER JOHNSTON** and Laura Ann Guy of Winterville were married May 17. He is an engineering assistant with Greenville Utilities. **WAYNE LEDFORD** is an offensive assistant with ECU's football coaching staff. At ECU, he was a four-year football letterman and won the 1998 Jerry T. Brooks Award for academics. He played for five NFL teams from 1999 to 2006, coached the Frankfurt Galaxy in NFL Europe, and was an offensive line coach at Sanderson High School in Raleigh in 2007. **MIMOSA NATASHA FLAME MALLERNEE** and Jason Cooper Hines were married May 9 in Asheville. She is assistant art director for University Publications at ECU. **KATHRYN ANNE MATTHEWS** was named to the board of the Miracle League

1999

GEORGE HOLLEN completed his MBA at UNC Wilmington in May and received the Norman Kaylor Most Outstanding MBA Student Award. **LYNN C. WILCZEWSKI**, the social studies department chair at Monacan High School in Richmond, Va., was accepted to the Goethe Institute's Trans Atlantic Outreach Program to study history and culture in Germany in summer 2008.

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1998

CHRIS CABRAL '98 '06 is a new ranger at Goose Creek State Park. He maintains eight miles of trails and handles alcohol and speeding violations in the 1,670-acre park. **ALICIA MARIE TALMADGE DELSASSO** of Ringwood, N.J., and her husband had their first child, Parker Christopher, on Nov. 27, 2007.

1997

ADRIENA DAME is founding editor and publisher of *94 Creations Ink*. She is assistant managing editor for *The Louisville Review* and Fleur-de-Lis Press in Kentucky and ghostwrites for The Family Seal, a memoir assistance company. **LAVETTE FORD '97 '03** was promoted from assistant principal to principal at South Greenville Elementary School. She is working on a degree in educational leadership at ECU. **WILLIAM "DEE" JONES** and **AMY ELLIOTT JONES '99** had a son, William Garan Jones, on Feb. 15. He joins daughter Avery. Dee is a project manager for Marand Construction in Charlotte, and Amy is a senior marketing coordinator for Freeman White.

1996

RON BENNETT of Waggaman, La., won the 2008 Louisiana Division of the Arts Fellowship. He regularly exhibits at Issa Galleria and Barrister's Gallery in New

Orleans and various national venues. **CHRISTOPHER HADDOCK** is vice president and city executive at Albemarle Bank & Trust's Greenville loan production office. A Greenville native, he practiced business and real estate law for four years, was a commercial banker for five years, and as assistant vice president for First Citizens Bank was the bank's 2007 top-producing commercial banker. **ERIC MAAS** and **JULIE BLAZIER MAAS** moved to Belize, Central America, with their children, Ciera (5) and Josiah (8 months), in summer 2008 to be volunteer directors of the Baptist Training Center in Belmopan. They facilitated work and housing for mission teams, hosted pastors for biblical training and churches for Vacation Bible School. **JENAI PAUL**, a psychiatric clinical specialist at the University of Maryland School of Pharmacy, and **MICHAEL PAUL** had a daughter, Whitney Kathryn, on May 27, Michael's birthday. They have two other children, Avery and Mason. **JOSEPH RACZKOWSKI** is Moore County's new planning director. His previous positions include planning and community development director for Pender County, planning and inspections director for Wilson County, planning director for Nashville, and a planner in Edgecombe County.

1995

HELEN S. PRIDGEN PURDON received her master's in vocal pedagogy from Westminster Choir

College in Princeton, N.J., in May 2007. On Jan. 11, 2008, she and her husband, Jarrod A. Purdon, had their first child, Sarah Grace. **TREVOR WINNELL** is a vice president, structural engineer, and inspections manager at Falcon Engineering, the new Cary-based engineering and construction management firm that merged with Raleigh-based geotechnical and materials testing firm Tierra North Carolina.

1994

MICHAEL EDWARD BIASI of Fuquay-Varina became the director of bands and department of fine arts chair at the new Holly Springs High School in Wake County in 2006 after seven years as director of bands at Southwest Onslow High School. **TAMARA T. FLYNN** received the 2008 N.C. Health Information Management Association's Distinguished Member Award. **PATRICK CULLOM O'BRYANT** of Belville is executive representative of Ortho McNeill. He and his wife Suzanne were married on Nov. 5, 2007. **JESSICA EVERETT WAHLER '94** '96 of Raleigh and her husband, Todd, had a daughter, Sarah Elizabeth Charlotte, on Nov. 30, 2007. She joins her sister Mary-Everett Virginia.

1993

WILLIAM HUNTER CLARK JR. '93 and ASHLEY

ANNE DRIVER '95 of Greenville were married April 12. He is land development and acquisition manager for Bill Clark Homes, and she is a nurse at PCMH.

VIRGINIA HARDY, senior associate dean for academic affairs at BSOM, was named to a three-year term on the Z. Smith Reynolds Foundation advisory panel, which examines North Carolina issues and new directions for grantmaking.

DWAIN P. TEAGUE '93 '98 is the new director of development for the School of Information and Library Science at UNC Chapel Hill, where he oversees a multimillion dollar capital campaign to raise funds for a new building, scholarships, and other funding opportunities. He previously served as the director of development for the University of Central Florida Libraries and College of Arts and Sciences in Orlando, Fla. Before then, he managed major gift fundraising as associate director of development at ECU's Joyner Library.

1992

CHRISTINA DEES COGGINS and Phillip Douglas Jethro Jr. of Virginia Beach were married Oct. 6, 2007, at Port O'Call Restaurant in Kill Devil Hills. She works for Branch Bank and Trust Mortgage. **GARRY L. DUDLEY** was one of 22 national inductees for Schering-Plough's Diamond Club, the highest honor for the company's representatives. He has made Presidents Club numerous times and was representative of the year for 2006 and 2007. He lives in Chesterfield, Va., with his wife, **MONICA REAVIS DUDLEY '94 '96**, and daughters, Summer and Kendall.

A black and white headshot of a man with dark hair, wearing a dark jacket over a light-colored shirt. He is looking directly at the camera with a slight smile.

CHRISTIAN KEIBER, co-founder of independent film company Creative Alley Productions in Los Angeles, played a U.S. Marshal investigating a mob hit on the season finale of NBC's *ER*. He guest starred on a new court drama called *Raising the Bar* from *NYPD Blue* creator Steven Bochco. **MELISSA D. MARSAL** is executive vice president and chief marketing officer at Albemarle Bank & Trust's Greenville loan production office. She is also vice president and senior loan officer for a branch of New Vision Mortgage. **D. PAUL POWERS JR.** '92 '94 is executive vice president and regional president at Albemarle Bank & Trust's Greenville loan production office. A 35-year Greenville resident with 15 years of banking experience, he was First Citizens Bank's senior vice president and business banking manager for Pitt County and was the bank's top-producing business banking manager in 2007.

1991

WILLIAM HARRIS '91 of Seattle, Wash., received a Northwest Regional Emmy for best promo news campaign for his work as a creative services writer/producer for the ABC affiliate KOMO TV. He also was nominated for best promo news single spot. He's been with KOMO 4, which won the Edward R. Murrow Award for Overall Station Excellence,

ALUMNI SPOTLIGHT



Danny Scott '84, vice president of diversity for Anheuser-Busch in St. Louis, made a charitable gift to the College of Business leading to the creation of a scholarship aimed at increasing racial diversity. The Anheuser-Busch Foundation matched Scott's gift. The \$52,000 endowment will fund the first diversity-based scholarship offered through an academic R. Scott Scholarship will be sent in the College of Business on racial diversity while demonstrating financial need. The amount of each is \$52,000 per year. "This scholarship is a way for students attain a quality education using the university's strong academic education," Scott said. Scott is married to his wife **Connie Shelton** '85. He has been at Anheuser-Busch for more than 19 years. The scholarship will be announced in April.



Actress **Ali Hillis** '95 married Matt Schwarz, an entrepreneur and hedge fund manager, on Aug. 2 on a cliff above Shell Beach, Calif. They met in New York City where Schwarz is part owner of Brother Jimmy's, a popular nightclub where the New York-New Jersey chapter of the Pirate Club meets to watch football games. Hillis waited tables there before breaking into television with recurring roles on *NYPD Blue* and *Felicity*. Her next movie is *Beverly Hills Chihuahua*, out Sept. 26, in which she stars with Piper Perabo and Jamie Lee Garbarino as his *Bad Kid*, as Diane Lane's sassy *Dogs*, and as Robert Downey Jr's

Cliff Godwin '00 '02, who was the hitting coach for Louisiana State University in the 2008 College World Series, is the new hitting coach for the University of Central Florida's baseball team. At ECU, he slammed 24 home runs, 31 doubles and 95 RBIs, and earned first team all-conference his senior year. He played professionally with the Gateway Grizzlies for two years and was an assistant baseball coach at Notre Dame in 2005.

The logo for The S. Rudolph Alexander Performing Arts Series. It features the name "Alexander" in a large, white, serif font. Above it, "The S. Rudolph" is written in a smaller, white, serif font. Below "Alexander", the words "PERFORMING ARTS SERIES" are written in a white, sans-serif font, separated by a thin white horizontal line. The background is dark with faint, stylized, light-colored patterns.

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for 10 years. The station’s helicopter pad at Fisher Plaza is used in the TV show *Grey’s Anatomy* as Seattle Grace Hospital. **DEAN TAYLOR** ’91 ’93 is director of retail sales for the Carolinas/Tennessee Region for Verizon Wireless. He has 13 years of telecommunications experience and was director of retail sales for Verizon Wireless in Georgia and Alabama. **CINDY THOMPSON-RUMPLE**, writing as C.G. Thompson, won the 2008 N.C. State Poetry Contest. Her poem, “Post Card to Ravinna,” competed against more than 300 entries to take the \$500 Brenda L. Smart Grand Prize. It was also featured in *The News & Observer’s* Sunday Reader.

1990

KENNETH GRANTHAM is the new head of the football program at Greene Central High School, where he played football and his father was coach for 20 years before retiring to assist Kenneth at Nash Central High School, where he led playoff-caliber football teams. **ANN ELIZABETH LAWRENCE** and Michael Connolly were married June 14 in Charlotte. She is a vice president in learning and leadership development for Bank of America in Charlotte.

1989

SUZANNE SLACK CAMDEN ’89 ’91 was promoted to associate vice president for Mid Atlantic Engineering and Technical Services in Chesapeake, Va. She is secretary for the Norfolk chapter of the National Contracts Management Association and a PTO member at the Goddard School in Virginia Beach, where her 4-year-old daughter attends. **LEE RIDDLE** left the Pepsi Bottling Group in Maryland after 16 years and moved to Chattanooga, Tenn., to be special projects director for Lodge Manufacturing Co. His great-grandfather founded Lodge, the only domestic producer of cast iron cookware, in South Pittsburgh, Tenn., in 1896. He married **LYNN AUCOIN RIDDLE** ’90 14 years ago, and they have two sons, Alexander (12) and Zachary (10). **VINSON SMITH** is head of the new football program at Statesville Christian School. At Statesville High School, he was an All-American football player before attending ECU and joining the NFL for 12 years. He was a linebacker for the 1992-93 Super Bowl-winning Dallas Cowboys.

1987

DR. SUSAN AYCOCK is a family medicine specialist with Southeastern Health Center of Clarkton. **WESLEY PAYNE NEWSOME** co-opened a tex-mex restaurant called Guacamole Grill in Cary in March 2008.

1986

EDWIN M. “SANDY” HARDY was re-elected chair of the trustees of Beaufort County Hospital. He was first appointed to the board in 2003 by the Beaufort County commissioners. **JIM FORD** of Fort Good Hope, Northwest Territories, Canada, is

a regional manager of rear-operations for Shoney’s Restaurant and is married to Kerry Hale Ford, an orthopedic surgeon at the Mayo Clinic in Rochester, Minn. They have two children, Riley (4) and Elias (7), and plan to live in Yellowknife. **CARYL HOLOMAN**, a pulmonary nurse manager in BSOM’s internal medicine department, was named 2008 BSOM nurse of the year at the annual nurses banquet. At ECU since 1997, she totals 22 years of nursing experience. **ROBERT LOGAN**, formerly the associate superintendent of innovation and school transformation at the N.C. Department of Public Instruction, is the new superintendent of the Chatham County Schools. He was superintendent of Asheville City and Lee County schools.

1985

DR. STEPHEN BRIDGERS is a family medicine specialist with Southeastern Health Center of Clarkton. **MARTHA KATRENIA KORNEGAY JOHNSON** ’85 ’96, a seventh grade inclusion teacher at West Craven Middle School, received her National Board Certification in November 2007 as an exceptional needs specialist for early childhood through young adulthood. Married to Rev. Robert Johnson, she has two sons, Emmanuel and Isaiah. **CYNTHIA ANNE MILLS** and Robert Edward Farish III of Maury, N.C., and Beverly Hills, Calif., were married April 5 in Atrani, Italy. She is a managing partner in Mills & Economos law firm in Greenville. **GREG SHELNUTT**, director of the N.C. School of the Arts’ visual arts program, received a \$5,000 fellowship from the Surdna Arts Teachers Fellowship Program to travel to Bendigo, Australia, to be an artist-in-residence at LaTrobe University and study bell casting.

1984

TOM OVERCASH of Bahama has 21 years experience as a senior financial advisor for AIG Retirement Advisors and received his fifth “Top 50” recognition from the President’s Cabinet. He and his wife Lisa have four daughters. **RAYMIE STYONS** has officiated ACC basketball games since 1989. He also owns a Nationwide Insurance agency in Greenville and has two children in athletics. **PATRICIA “PAT” WILLIAMS** of Kinston retired after 40 years as a real estate paralegal. She started work for James Hodges in 1968, and in 1977, moved with him to White & Allen, where she assisted with foreclosures, title work, and commercial and residential sale closings.

1983

JOSEPH W. CLARK of Durham received the Lifetime Certified Local Governmental Purchasing Officer and Purchaser of the Year recognitions from the Carolinas Association of Governmental Purchasing. He is purchasing manager and deputy finance officer for Durham and is treasurer of the CAGP board. **WARREN FRANKE**, who has taught at Iowa State University since 1991, was promoted to the rank

of professor in the Department of Kinesiology. **STEPHANIE HINNANT**, sales manager for Taff Office Equipment, has 20 years experience with sales, marketing, and customer service in Greenville. She is on the Greenville-Pitt County Chamber of Commerce’s executive committee, the Pitt County Committee of 100 board, and the STRIVE advisory board. She was board president for United Way of Pitt County in 2007.

1982

WAYNE E. MURPHY, senior vice president of Southern Bank, was promoted to regional supervisor for Martin, Edgecombe, and Pitt counties. With the bank since 1995, he has 24 years of banking experience and is on the boards for the Rocky Mount Chamber of Commerce and Northeastern Entrepreneurial Roundtable.

1981

LINDA ANN FASOLT HOLLAMON of Cary and her husband opened an independent coffee house in Apex’s Davis Drive Village called The Wake Zone Espresso. She also has worked for 27 years as a nurse in the surgical prep and recovery unit of Rex Hospital in Raleigh. **REGINALD T. HOLT** ’81 ’85 was named president and CEO of member-owned Farm Credit of Central Florida. He was a branch manager for East Carolina Farm Credit in Swan Quarter before moving to South Carolina in 1985 and Florida in 1992, when he joined FCCF as area vice president and later directed agribusiness lending. He has four children.

1980

JANE STONE ALLEN is an educational technologist for the Air Force’s 42nd Attack Squadron, a field training unit that teaches personnel to fly the Reaper unmanned aerial vehicle. She and her husband Doug, a legal counsel for Steelman Design Group, live in Las Vegas. **ELIZABETH BRANCH** of Winterville is a real estate agent and broker with Williams and Associates Realtors and has three children. **MICHAEL EURY**, a Concord native, is the new executive director for the Historic Cabarrus Association, which was formed from a merger of Historic Cabarrus Inc. and the Concord Museum. A former editor for DC Comics and Dark Horse Comics, he has written books on comics and media history and worked as a communications director and popular culture historian. **SHERWOOD WAYNE HARP** of Wake Forest was named city executive for New Republic Savings Bank in Henderson. **KENNY MOORE** of Harrells was inducted into the Sampson County Sports Hall of Fame in April 2008 for his athletic record at Union High School and as a football player at ECU and in Canada. **ANN SUTTON**, who has 13 years experience in interior design and lighting, is a new consultant at Lighting by Design. **CHRISTOPHER JAMES VIGREN** of Pittsfield, Mass., is a board member and executive vice president of Citibank/Citigroup. He was an economics advisor under both Clinton administrations. **JAN WELBORN**



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of Charleston, S.C., was selected to participate in the Japan Fulbright Memorial Fund Teacher Program in October 2008. The program, funded by the Japanese government, offers study tours about Japanese culture and education. Welborn taught art studio and art history at Mount Olive College and College of Charleston before teaching art at Charleston Day School and in a Charleston County Public School gifted and talented program during the summers.

1979

ANNA SPEAR of Havelock was named 2008 Doris Howard Female Coach of the Year by the N.C. High School Athletic Association. The women's basketball coach and assistant athletic director for women's sports at Havelock High School for nine years, she also coached for 17 years at North Lenoir High School, where she started the volleyball program and led the softball team to the state finals.

1978

GALE ADCOCK, director of corporate healthcare at SAS, is a new board member for the ECU Medical & Health Sciences Foundation. SUSAN DICKENS LYNCH of Warrenton retired from Warren County High School in July after more than 30 years as a business education teacher.

1977

BILLY LEE started a new career as director of sales in the sports division of the Raleigh-based Travel Management Partners. His 30 years of collegiate basketball coaching earned him 400+ wins. He coached at high schools, two years at ECU, seven years at UNC Pembroke, 18 years at Campbell University and three seasons at St. Andrews Presbyterian College. ERIC DAVIS VAN NORTWICK of Dale City, Va., was named 2007 Ducks Unlimited conservationist of the year for his water quality work with Neabsco Creek in Prince William County, where he is a member of Adopt-A-Stream.

1976

CAROL PEARCE DAVIS '76 '82 '95, who has 32 years experience working in elementary schools, is the new principal at Franklinton Elementary School in Franklin County. MARSHA MOORE LEWIS '76 '85 was selected for a three-year term on the board of the International Reading Association at the group's annual conference in Atlanta, Ga. She is a second grade National Board Certified teacher at Kenansville Elementary School in Duplin County. She has served on advisory boards for the state superintendent of public instruction and the N.C. End-of-Grade Reading Comprehension Tests Specifications Committee.

1975

MAGGIE BISHOP '75 '76 of Deep Gap, who was named as one of the 100 Incredible ECU Women in 2007, released a new mystery, *Perfect for Framing*, for her Appalachian Adventure series in November. Set in Boone, it follows a propertyowners association power struggle that includes robbery, romantic tension, blackmail, and murder. LEONARD "MIKE" ERNEST is interpreter programs manager for the Virginia Department for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing in Richmond. He coordinates interpreters for state agencies and courts, and manages the Virginia Quality Assurance Screening program for interpreters. From 1985 to 2005, he was program manager and professor of interpreter education at Hillsborough Community College in Tampa, Fla.

1974

DR. GABRIEL "GABE" CIPAU, of Key Healthcare, is a new board member for the ECU Medical & Health Sciences Foundation. DAVID C. REAVIS of Raleigh, e-commerce manager for the N.C. Office of the State Controller, finished his term as president of the N.C. Treasury Management Association. He is now chair of the board for NCTMA, a nonprofit group for treasury and finance professionals from N.C. corporations and banks. ALAN DEAN REIMANN of Chattanooga,

Tenn., retired Sept. 26, 2007, from the cardiac rhythm management division (implantable pacemakers and defibrillators) of Medtronic, the largest manufacturer and supplier of medical implanted devices. He recently re-married, vacations in St. Thomas, and cruises the Tennessee River in his 40-foot boat, a retirement present to himself.

1973

DAVID STEVENS JR., a former Air Force pilot, flies transcontinental jets to Europe for U.S. Airways. When he got his pilot's license in 1974, his father, a former ECU attorney who retired from the Air Force in 1970, gave him his silver wings. Stevens Jr. recently passed the wings to his son when he graduated from flight school. CANDACE LITTLE TURK '73 '92 '98 '03 is the new principal at West Pine Middle School in West End. She was a special education teacher, an assistant principal, and the assistant superintendent for human resources and operations in Duplin County, and was named Duplin County 2003-04 principal of the year.

1972

BEVERLY KILPATRICK THOMPSON '72 '79 '96 of Nashville, formerly of Kenansville, was promoted from a bankcard sales support manager to a banking officer with BB&T in Wilson. She retired from the N.C. Department of Public Instruction before joining BB&T in 2007.

1971

WILLIAM R. "BILL" SAGE SR. was elected mayor of Oriental, "The Sailing Capital of North Carolina." He was a lawyer in Greensboro before moving his career to Oriental. His wife, DELIA LOMAX "DEE" SAGE, was chair of the town planning board.

1970

WILLIAM F. GRANT III, a banking consultant in Williamsburg, Va., retired from the U.S. Treasury Department. He is a founder and director of Square 1 Bank and Square 1 Financial, headquartered in Durham. The company opened in August 2005 with \$105 million in capital, the largest amount of capital raised for a start-up state-chartered bank in North Carolina.

1969

ADRA ALLISON KENNEDY of Washington retired in July 2007 after 29 years of teaching second through fifth grades and remedial reading in New York, and Wake and Beaufort counties. She developed magnet school curriculum, was named teacher of the year, and was recognized in Who's Who Among American Teachers several times. ROBERT D. "BOB" RYNEARSON of El Cajon, Ca., retired from a 32-year teaching career with the Grossmont Union High School District in San Diego County. GARY WAYNE WEST of Greenwood, S.C., is the new chief information officer for the S.C. Department of

ALUMNI SPOTLIGHT



Guilford College established the Mary N. Broos Endowment for Athletic Training in honor of Mary Broos '67, the head athletic trainer at the

college who retired May 30 after 30 years there. The endowment supports sports medicine scholarships and intercollegiate athletic training programs. She will continue to teach in the sports studies department. In 1978, Broos became the first woman in North Carolina to lead a collegiate sports medicine program. She has been inducted into the halls of fame at Guilford College and the N.C. Athletic Trainers Association. She received the 1996 Girls and Women in Sports Day Committee Award of Excellence, the 1989 NCATA athletic trainer of the ar, and the 1998 Heart and Hand Award from Guilford's students. She was on the athletic training staff for Olympic teams in the 1980s. She also served for 12 years on the Davidson County Board of Education and was its chair for four years.



NASA doesn't manufacture any of products that makes America's space program fly. It buys those things from someone else and relies on employees like Bryan Williford '89 to acquire the best technology at affordable prices. Williford, who is the procurement chief in the Solid Propulsion Support Office in the Marshall Space Flight Center in Huntsville, Ala, was recognized as one of the best in the space program at that job when he was named NASA's Procurement Supervisor of the Year. The award recognizes his work on the Ares First Stage and J-2X engine contracts. Both are major pieces of NASA's plans for a next-generation launch vehicle fleet to replace the retiring space shuttles and launch vehicles. Williford also works with the Space Shuttle Reusable Solid Rocket Motor contract.



Sheri Strickland '76 '84, preschool disabilities coordinator for the Pitt County Schools, was elected president of the 70,000-member N.C. Association of Educators (NCAE). She will serve a two-year term. An NCAE member for 30 years, Strickland served on the NCAE Board of Directors for seven years and on the NEA Board of Directors for three years. She has worked in the Pitt County Schools since 1976.

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ALUMNI SPOTLIGHT



Vicki Cox MA '74, a veteran administrator at the Federal Aviation Administration, was appointed senior vice president of the FAA's NextGen project. NextGen is a mammoth undertaking to modernize the FAA's antiquated computer systems with a satellite-based system that will revolutionize air travel. Cox, who was vice president in the FAA's Air Traffic Organization, was the featured speaker at the Department of Physics spring graduation ceremony.

Cox's new assignment at the FAA is leading the effort to transform the nation's airspace system by using 21st century technologies. Some of NextGen's modernization activities have already begun, including the initial deployment of satellite-based technology, airspace redesign and runway safety improvements.

She came to the FAA from the Department of Defense, where she served as Director of International Technology Programs. A physicist, she also served as chief of physics and scientific director of the European Office of Aerospace Research and Development in London. A native of Spartanburg, S.C., Cox received her undergraduate degree from Converse College.



Patrick King '90 performed a trick golf shot to win the audience show and tell contest recently on the David Letterman show. King, who was on the ECU golf team, bounced a golf ball off a club several times, then

knocked it high in the air and caught it in a cup on top of his head. King is deputy general manager of the Army Navy Country Club in Arlington, Va. A leisure studies major at ECU, King played professionally on the Hooters Tour for two years before settling into country club management.

CALL FOR GHOST STORIES

Class Notes Editor Leanne Smith is gathering stories about ghosts and scary places around Greenville, and she wants to hear your experience. If you remember tales or—better yet—actually saw something spooky, contact her at ecuclassnotes@ecu.edu.

Education. With S.C. schools for 32 of his 38 years in education, he has taught and served as a district administrator and director of technology.

1966

NANCY BABB APPLER of Vienna, Va., retired in Nov. 2007 after 42 years with the U.S. Department of the Interior in Washington, D.C. She was most recently a senior administrator in the Secretary of Interior's Office of Congressional and Legislative Affairs, and plans to garden, play piano, and study Spanish. **EDWARD D. BARNES**, a family lawyer in Chesterfield, Va., and the founding chair of the National Center for Family Law at the University of Richmond, received the 2008 Lifetime Achievement Award from the Virginia State Bar's Family Law Section. From 1966 to 1969, he was a first lieutenant in the Army Corps of Engineers, and in 2006, received the University of Richmond's alumni award for his role in continuing legal education there.

1959

DOUG WATTS was inducted into the N.C. American Legion Baseball Hall of Fame for his 40 years working with the league as a coach, manager, athletic director, and chief fundraiser. After serving in the Army in Korea, he walked on to ECU's baseball team, was the starting catcher, and then during his senior year was co-captain. He was later head football and baseball coach at Hope Mills High School.

1958

STEPHEN EVERETT DAVENPORT of China Grove was nominated in the summer 2007 issue of *Carolina Planning* as one of 20 most influential urban planners in North Carolina for the past fifty years. **DR. ROYCE SHINGLETON SR.** of Gatlingburg, Tenn., has published numerous works, including his books *John Taylor Wood: Sea Ghost of the Confederacy* (1979), *Richard Peters: Champion of the New South* (1985), and *High Seas Confederate: The Life and Times of John Newland Maffitt* (1994). A Theta Chi member, he served in the Army in Hanau, West Germany; taught high school in Dinwiddie, Va., and Snow Hill; was dean of men at Lees-McRae College; and taught at Darton College in Albany, Ga., and Georgia State and Oglethorpe universities in Atlanta.

1956

WILLIAM HUGH KNOX and his wife, Dr. Angelina E. Knox, operate Knox Clinic Pediatrics in Wilmington. Their son, Dr. Lenard Edralin, will join the clinic after completing his residency in pediatrics at BSOM.

1951

WALTER L. WILLIAMS '51 '55, vice president of Trade/WilcoHess, is a new board member for the ECU Medical & Health Sciences Foundation.

1920s

Two members of the Class of 1927 have died. **LILLIAN WALSTON CREAL** '27 of Newport News, Va., died April 9 at age 99. She taught elementary school in Scotland Neck and Roanoke Rapids before moving to Newport News in 1938 and teaching there until her 1973 retirement from St. Andrew's Episcopal School. She was a longtime hostess at a restaurant in Newmarket Circle, taught Sunday school and was a member of the Swingin' Singers at First Baptist Church, and was a past matron of the Emira Chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star.



MAVOURNEEN JAMES HAVENS '27 of Tarboro died March 16 at age 100. She and her husband, Richard Bonner, owned and operated Havens Feed and Seed Store in Tarboro for more than 50 years.

1930s

HATTIE HOLLAND BASS '38 of Fayetteville died March 17 at age 90. She was valedictorian of Gray's Creek High School, taught math at Fayetteville High School, and retired from civil service in Germany and at the Pentagon. She was buried with her husband at Arlington National Cemetery. **MILDRED ESTELLE CORBETT BROWN** '37 of Hillsborough died March 8. She taught in Moncure before marrying and working in the family business, J. L. Brown & Sons. She was a Cub Scout den mother, Girl Scout leader, and member of the PTA, church circle, and Hillsborough Historical Society. She taught school again starting in the 1950s and traveled the U.S. and Canada with her husband. **Frances Spainhour Hardee** '36 of Concord died May 14 at age 95. One of 14 siblings, she taught elementary school for 30 years, was married to a Methodist minister for 37 years, and traveled to all 50 states and her ancestral home in Munitz, Switzerland. **MABEL DICKENS COUNCIL JOHNSON** '34 of Lillington and Fuquay-Varina died March 22 at age 95. She spent 26 of her 32 years of teaching in Fuquay-Varina, coached girls basketball, and was the first female school-sponsored drivers education teacher in North Carolina. She was active in church choir and enjoyed golfing, bowling, gardening, and attending her students' class reunions into her 90s. **KATHLEEN ROBERTSON LAMKIN** '37 of Fredericksburg, Va., died July 2, 2000. She worked for the Department of the Navy at Arlington Hall during WWII, later taught elementary school in Montgomery County, Md., and was a Girl Scout leader, active church member, and senior citizens center volunteer. **MAGGIE**

INMAN WARD MORRISON '32 of Lumberton, formerly of Rowland, died April 2 at age 96. She was treasurer for Rowland United Methodist Church, and worked for the Bank of Rowland and later Southern National Bank. **SALLIE EVELYN WILLIAMS ROBINSON** '33 of Charlotte died March 7. She taught school before marrying in 1937, documented her family history for her descendants, and was active in her church, the Battle of Charlotte Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution, the Virginia Dare Chapter of the Daughters of American Colonists, Myers Park Country Club, and Friends of the Mint Museum. **CHRISTINE WILLIAMS TRIPP** '38 of Greenville died March 14 at age 91. Originally from Nash County, she taught high school science in Greenville and Rocky Mount for 35 years. **VERA DARE ROUSE WEBSTER** '39 of Eden died May 16. She taught home economics for 15 years in Wilmington and Eden, N.C., Martinsville, Va., and Indiana, and edited science textbooks for 22 years in New York City. Alumni relatives include her daughter **Jenifer Wynn Webster Day Avina** '77, and grandchildren **April Michelle Avina** '01 and **Joshua Michael Avina** '03.

1940s

JANE CURRIN ADCOCK '43 of Oxford died March 12. She taught at Helena Elementary School in Roxboro and at Tolar-Oak Hill Elementary School in Granville County. **MARGARET BROWN BENSON** '40 of Marshallberg died March 19 at age 92. She got her masters degree at George Washington University in 1949 and taught public school in Prince George's County, Md., for 43 years until her 1984 retirement. She received her ministerial diploma from Southeastern College in 1987. **SYBIL DAVIS BRANTLEY** '41 of Charlotte died March 21. She played in the Charlotte Symphony, held office in her church, was active in her book club, and volunteered with Friendship Trays. **LOIS GREEN BROWN** '43 of Greenville died March 19. She taught home economics in Washington before getting married. Active in her church for 55 years, she held offices and received honorary life membership from the Women of the Church in 1987. She was a member of the Thalian Book Club and traveled internationally. Memorials may be made to the W.W. and Lois Brown Family Scholarship, c/o ECU Foundation. **OPHELIA PARKER CARRAWAY** '49 of Abingdon, Va., died May 22. A Pitt County native, she taught at James Hurst Elementary School in Cradock, Va., and second grade at G.A. Treacle Elementary School until her 1989 retirement after 23 years of teaching. Married for 58 years, she had three children and was active in her church. **VIRGINIA SULLIVAN DUNLAP** '40 of New Bern died April 8. She taught in Anson County from 1940 to 1945, in New Bern at Eleanor Marshall School for 23 years

and at Trent Park School for two years until her 1980 retirement. She was active in Alpha Delta Kappa and participated in service projects during her retirement. **JOYCE TURNER GARDNER** '47 of Fountain died April 29. She sang on the radio and played piano in the community, worked at a New York law firm in the 1920s and for Southern Bell in Durham; and enjoyed restoring antiques, telling stories, and cooking. **FRANCES ELIZABETH NANCE NASH** '40 of Columbia, S.C., died March 15. Originally from Chatham County, she started at ECTC at age 16, and taught in Manteo before joining the Navy during WWII as an ensign and being posted to Washington, D.C. She had six children and retired as an accounting clerk in Winston-Salem, where she taught Sunday school and held offices in her church for 30 years. **BARBARA SELBY STEVENS** '48 of Dudley died April 4. She taught seventh and eighth grades in eastern N.C. and retired from Brogden Middle School in 1982. At St. Stephen's Episcopal Church, she was in the adult choir, altar guild, Episcopal Church Women, and volunteered with the soup kitchen. **ADA ROSE YOW STOKES** '41 of Lake Junaluska died Feb. 23. When Atlanta schools began desegregation in 1961, she was the only white teacher to show up for work. She and her husband enjoyed traveling, especially in Korea, and founded the Bishop Mack and Rose Stokes Chair in Theology at Emory in 2008. **PEGGY ADAMS TATARSKI** '48 of Atlantic Beach and formerly of Reidsville, died April 30. She was a teacher, co-owned Adams Electric Company, and was active in Bogue Banks Baptist Church. **PAGE DUKE THOMPSON** '47 of Roanoke, Va., died April 4 in Durham. She taught in Mount Olive before getting married and moving to Roanoke, where she taught fifth grade for 30 years at Wasena Elementary School. She was assistant principal for a while and was awarded lifetime membership in the PTA. She was also active in her church. **GARNETTE LEAKE CROCKER TUTEN** '46 of Raleigh died May 10. She was a home economics agent in Williamston for the N.C. Cooperative Extension Service; served a term as vice president of the Junior Woman's Club in the 1960s; and enjoyed Peru, the Outer Banks, ACC basketball, needlework, and dancing. **SALLIE JOE GURGANUS WILLIAMSON** '49 of Charlotte died March 29. A Bethel native, she lived in Raleigh for 50 years after getting married and battled diabetes for 73 years.

1950s

W. EDWARD ANDERSON '57 of Raleigh died April 23. He was in the Navy during the Korean War; retired as vice president of Sir Walter Chevrolet, Pylon Commercial Park, and Anderson Realty; was on the boards for Edenton Street United Methodist Church and Wake Rehab Center; and was a member of the Carolina and Cape Fear country clubs in Wilmington

IN MEMORIAM

and the Surf Club at Wrightsville Beach. **JANE BULLOCK BARNHILL** '59 '65 of Bethel died April 16. She retired after 32 years teaching public school and was active on the Pitt County Planning Board and at Bethel Baptist Church. **SALLIE GAIL HINES BRITT** '52 of Greenville died April 1. At St. James United Methodist Church, she was in the Methodist Women's Circle and past director of Operation Sunshine. She enjoyed cooking, sewing, and gardening, and was a member of Home Pride Garden Club and Brook Valley Country Club. She was married to **Austin Hoover Britt** '53 for 56 years. **CLARA JENKINS CRABTREE** '51 of Durham died April 7. She was a teacher, school librarian, and the first library supervisor for Durham County Schools. She held office in numerous state and national professional library organizations. After her retirement, she received life membership from the N.C. Library Association. She worked in Braggtown Baptist Church's library and was the 21-year volunteer librarian for the Yates Baptist Association Library. She also directed the Associational Media Library Organization. **ROBERTA HALL GAINNEY** '53 of Stedman died March 7 in Clinton. She taught at Stedman High School, now Stedman Primary School, for 39 years, and taught Sunday school at Magnolia Baptist Church in Stedman. **FRANCES ESTELLE GREENE HENDRIX** '55 of Franklin, Tenn., died May 18. A descendant of Revolutionary War General Nathaniel Greene, she was a counseling psychologist who worked with Hospice volunteers and Alzheimer's patients and their caregivers through the Nashville Mental Health Association Homes program. She raised and showed horses and led 4-H trail rides through the Bulldog Bridle Club in Athens, Ga. She was a member of the Heritage Foundation and the AAUW Recent Graduates Group and volunteered with the Lauback Literacy Method—Each One Teach One. **LAWSON ALAN JACKSON SR.** '58 of Savannah, Ga., formerly of Charlotte, died April 19. He was an Army paratrooper in the 82nd Airborne during the Korean War and retired as a salesman in the southeastern U.S. His son, **Alan Jackson Jr.** '01, is a doctor in Atlanta. **LT. COL. ARTHUR HENRY KING** '53 of Forest City and Kinston died April 17. He retired from the Air Force and was former owner and president of Lakeside Mills. In addition to his Vietnam Service Medal, he received the Distinguished Flying Cross; the Bronze Star, National Defense Service, and Combat Readiness medals; the Small Arms Expert Service and Air Force Longevity Service awards; and Air Force Commendation. **LT. COL. DR. JOHN ROBERT KLUTTZ** '53 of Fayetteville died March 21. Born prematurely in 1929, he was the Goldsboro hospital's first incubator baby. He was senior class president at ECU, married **Jeanine Ennis** '53, served in the Air Force for 20 years, and was a therapist with the Veterans Administration Center's Readjustment Counseling Service in Fayetteville. **BENJAMIN JOEL MARTINDALE** '50 of Rocky Mount died June 24. A veteran of WWII, he retired in 1985 as claims manager at CSX Transportation.

He was a Mason, Elk, Shriner, and a member of the Royal Order of Jesters. **EUGENE FRANKLIN OLIVE** '58 of Raleigh died March 24. During the Korean War, he was in the 100-member drum and bugle corps called "Young's Yankees" while stationed at Lockbourne Air Force Base in Columbus, Ohio. He was a state government auditor for 33 years and a member of Freemason of Raleigh Lodge #500. **EDWARD OLIVER** '56 '63 of Alexandria, Va., died March 21. He was a Marine and taught high school English and social studies in Greenville and Virginia before becoming an assistant principal and director of employee relations for Arlington County Schools. He also taught at the University of Virginia and Defense Department schools in Okinawa, Japan, and Verdun, France. He enjoyed skiing in Utah and Argentina, owned 1,000+ books, and traveled to six continents, including Antarctica. **A. GLENN ROWELL** '59 '78 '86 of Fayetteville died May 20. He worked for Atlantic Coastline Railroad before serving in the Army during the Korean War. With the Cumberland County Board of Education for 23 years, he retired in 1987 as an assistant principal at Westover Junior High School. He operated Woodland Nursery for 31 years, held office in his church, and was a member of the Cumberland County Historical Society.

1960s

BETTY JEAN BAKER '67, formerly of Knightdale, died June 24. She retired as chief statistician with the government records section of the Office of Archives and History in Raleigh. She published articles on history and genealogy and books on seven N.C. families, including Gov. Jim Hunt's. **REV. LAWRENCE KEMPSTER BROWN** '64 of Raleigh died May 5. He was a two-sport scholarship athlete at ECU. In December 1968, he was ordained and accepted St. Christopher's Episcopal Church in Havelock as his first parish. He was rector at other churches in Raleigh for more than 20 years, owned Eastwind Bar and Grill in Carolina Beach and a state automobile inspection station in Raleigh. He opened Knightdale Academy of Gymnastics with his daughter in 1995, and, after his parochial retirement, owned Da Vinci's Pasta in Raleigh with his wife. His Australian Terriers won three consecutive breed competitions at the Westminster Kennel Club in New York City, and he was featured in the 100th Anniversary Westminster Kennel Club book. **REV. W. MURRAY BULLOCK** '60 of Tarboro died May 4. He worked with the N.C. Probation Commission and was an assistant administrator at Edgecombe General Hospital before becoming a minister. Among other churches, he pastored Church of the Ascension in Hickory. After retirement, he was an interim priest in other states. **MARVIN LEE CAVINESS** '69 of Knoxville, Tenn., died April 8. He was a biology teacher, respiratory therapist, and clinical perfusionist. **BONNY CAMERON GILCHRIST** '60 of Sanford died May 2. She taught high school English for 34 years before retiring at Western Harnett High School.

THOMAS GILLAM III '68 of Windsor died March 31. In the Army during WWII, he fought in the Battle of the Bulge. He was active in St. Thomas Episcopal Church, a docent at Hope Plantation, taught history at Bertie High School, and enjoyed antiques and the beach. **GARLAND FRANCIS JOHNSON** '61 '63 died Feb. 24 in Hillsborough. In the Navy, he served with the First Marine Division at Guadalcanal and in the Pacific Theater under General MacArthur during WWII. Before retiring as a chief pharmacist's mate, he worked on Adm. Richard Byrd's last trip to Antarctica. He taught school, worked for the N.C. Health Department, and was married to **Ida Yolanda Johnson** '44 for 60 years. **LILLIE ANN MIDGETTE "LIL" JONES** '61 of Peachtree City, Ga., died May 26. She was active in Peachtree City United Methodist Church. **HAROLD JASON MILLS** '66 died March 22. He was in the Navy for four years before working at Fieldcrest Mills and spending 24 years as an accountant with Burroughs-Wellcome until his 1993 retirement. **NANCY GAYLE COMPTON ODHAM** '64 of Matthews died April 21. After graduating in the first class from ECU's School of Nursing, she was a public health and genetic nurse who was active in several civic and charity groups. Memorials may be made to the ECU School of Nursing. **CHARLES ERNEST "CHUCK" PACE** '69 of Suffolk, Va., died March 11. In the Army, he was stationed in Vietnam and later worked as a counselor for the Portsmouth Department of Juvenile Justice. He was married to **Linda Watson Pace** '69. **THOMAS JEFFERSON POWELL** '61 of Spencer died May 12. He was a middle school industrial arts teacher in Rowan County, a church construction volunteer at Spencer Presbyterian Church, and a foreign mission worker in Africa. **SUE WALLACE TYER** '67 of Oak Island died April 17. She taught in Beaufort County and Fayetteville and Kinston city school systems.

1970s

WESLEY NEAL DAUGHTRY '78 of Greenville died May 12. He worked at ECU's Joyner Library. **CAROLYN FRAZIER MOXLEY** '78 of Kinston died April 13. She taught in Knightdale for a year and in Lenoir County for 24 years until her 1995 retirement. She was active in Alpha Gamma Delta; Sunday school director at her church; a Brownie, Girl, and Cub scout troop leader; past president of Kinston Lions Club Auxiliary; and a "Pink Lady" volunteer for the Lenoir Memorial Hospital Auxiliary. She enjoyed international travel, animals, and collecting antiques and dolls. **CAPT. JOHN PARKER SHEEHAN** '71 of O'Fallon, Ill., died May 1. He was in the Air Force at Scott AFB, and then worked in civil service there as a computer programmer/analyst from 1972 to 2002. He played volleyball at the AFB, and with the St. Louis Turner Organization and other U.S. Volleyball Association teams, and was a setter on the 1983 All American Men's Senior First Team. He coached volleyball at McKendree University. **WILLIAM ARNOLD "BILL" WILLIAMSON** '73 of Blounts

Creek, formerly of Greenville, died April 5. He served in the Army before returning to school and working for NACCO for 34 years. A baseball lover, he coached his sons in the Winterville Recreation League for the Pitt Bulldogs and the Greenville Little League for Jarman's Auto, and enjoyed watching his great-nephew play for the Greenville Lions. **MARIAN LANGLEY WILSON** '78 of Grimesland died March 13. She taught first grade at Greenville Christian Academy for 24 years and Sunday school at her church.

1980s

ERNEST LEWIS DAVIS JR. '86 of Rockingham, formerly of Richmond, Va., died March 11. He played cello in churches and symphony orchestras. **MARY HOBBS ARMSTRONG VALENTINE MCINTYRE** '82 of Nashville died March 2. She was a nurse in Norfolk, Va., Raleigh, and High Point before becoming director of nursing at Wilson's Guardian Care. She worked in quality assurance at Nash General Hospital from 1984 to 1998 when she retired as department head. In 1992, she was named one of N.C.'s Great 100 Nurses. She was a Nashville town council member from 1997 to 2001. She enjoyed playing bridge and slot machines, betting on horses, and teaching children to play poker and bet with M&Ms. **ANGELA BRIGGS "ANGIE" PETTUS** '80 of Clayton died April 26. She was a business operations manager at SAS. **EDGAR ALLEN TONEY SR.** '85 of Orlando, Fla., died March 18. He was in the Marines from 1955 to 1982 when he retired as a major, and he was involved in the Drill Instructors Association reunions. A past commodore of the Rugged Point Yacht Club at Camp Lejeune, he and his wife of more than 50 years owned the sailboat *Tuition*.

1990s

BRADLEY SHANE BEATTY '95 of Greenville died May 12. He owned Big Al's Tavern and rental property, and was an electrician. He was active in dog rescue, his church, and the Brotherhood Motorcycle Club, which hosted weekly fundraising steak dinners at Big Al's to support the Vietnam Veterans Association. **JAMES REID HOOPER** '93, an honorary member of the ECU Alumni Association, died April 5. He served for two years in the WWII European Theater, worked with Wachovia bank for 35 years and was Greenville city executive, and taught at the American Institute of Banking. He was on the boards for PCMH, the East Carolina Vocational Center, and East Carolina Farm Credit Association; a past president of the Host Lions Club of Greenville and Greenville Golf and Country Club; and a member of the Pitt Golden "K" Kiwanis Club. He was the 1982 Greenville Chamber of Commerce citizen of the year and received the Jack Edwards Service Award from the Greenville Noon Rotary Club in 1997.

FACULTY DEATHS

DR. MARY MORECROFT FOWLER of Greenville died March 22. She taught counselor education from 1972 to 1988. She taught children on an Indian reservation on Long Island before getting married and moving to Ohio. She traveled internationally, volunteered with groups for disadvantaged people, was active in the Unitarian church, and was known for her motto, "Make it a good day." Memorials may be made to the Alzheimer's Research Fund, ECU Medical & Health Sciences Foundation.

GORDON BRAZIL GILBERT SR. of Stillwater, Okla., died Feb. 27 at age 100. He taught health and physical education at ECTC from 1938 to 1940 before serving in the Army during WWII. He was also a high school coach and history teacher and was director for men's intramural sports at Oklahoma State University for 33 years.

RHODA MARIE NIELSEN, of College Park, Md., died April 19. A native of Vindblaes, Denmark, she was a nurse in Denmark and Iowa before becoming a nurse for the American Baptist Foreign Mission Society in the Belgian Congo from 1956 to 1960. She taught at ECU from 1965 to 1969 and at Emory University before retiring as the International Nursing Program's acting curriculum coordinator.

JOSEPHINE BISHOP "JO" SAUNDERS '65 of Greenville died April 5. A Laurinburg native, she taught dance for almost 20 years before attending ECU, where she later taught in the health, physical education, recreation, and safety program from 1964 to her 1985 retirement. She was named N.C. dance teacher of the year by the N.C. Association of Health, Physical Education and Dance in 1992. In 2002 she received the teacher of the year award from the S.C. Alliance for Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance. For 57 years, she was married to **Frank Wendell Saunders**, who taught math at ECU from 1961 to 1994.

MARY GOODMAN SORENSEN died March 18. A Hendersonville native, she taught English at ECU from 1957 to 1976. During her 50 years in Greenville, she was active in her church, the ECU Retired Faculty Association, Alpha Phi Gamma, the Delta Alpha Chapter of Alphi Phi, and the Sierra Book Club, and was married to **Dr. Frederick Sorensen**, who taught English at ECU from 1961 to 1973.



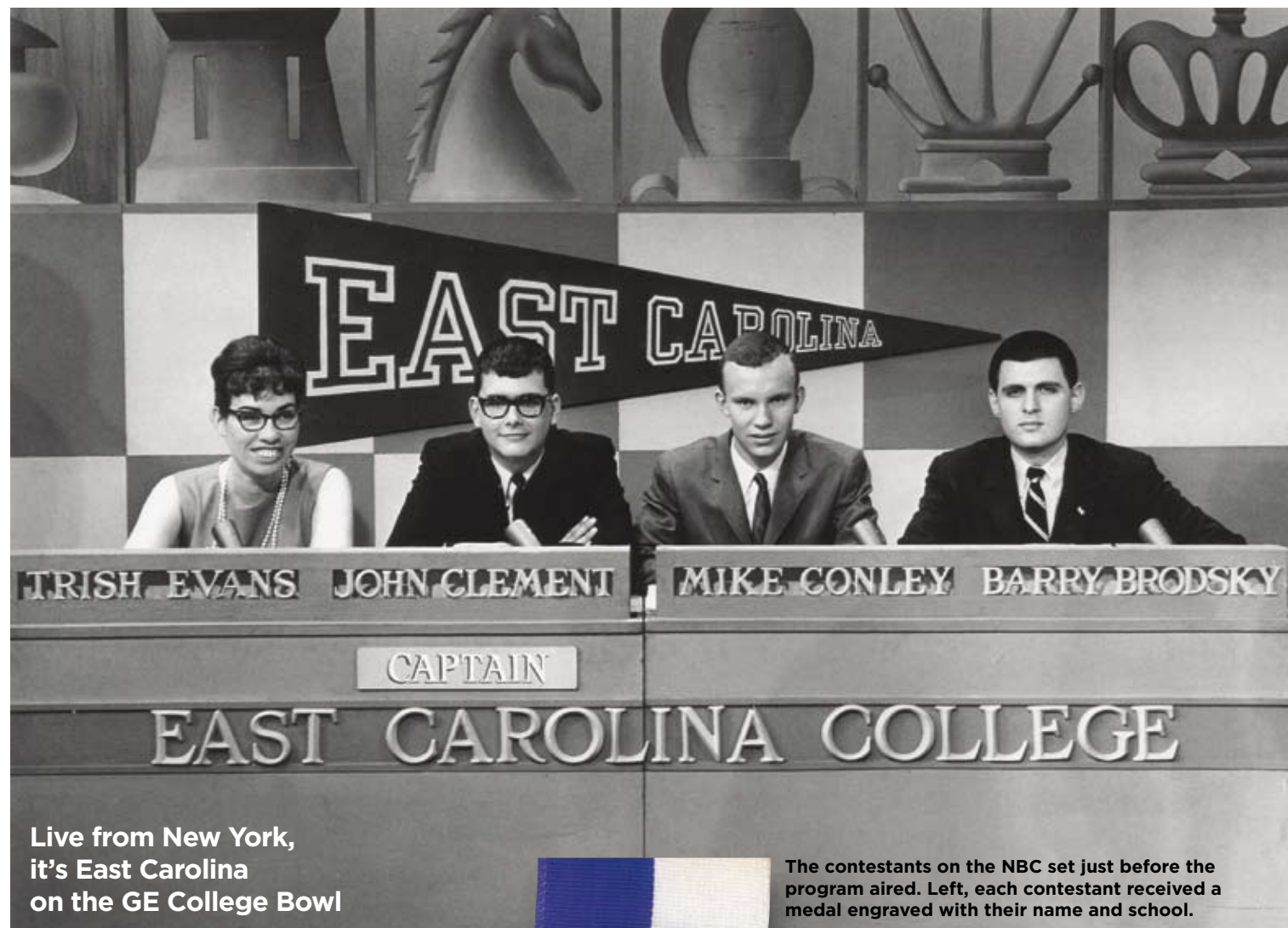
Michael Dixon and David Hawkins watch Jim Rees produce a radio show

James Lester "Jim" Rees of Greenville died April 17. A graduate of Millersville State College with a master's degree from Syracuse, he worked at radio stations and taught high school in Pennsylvania before joining the faculty here in 1966. He retired as professor *emeritus* in 2003 but continued to teach part time until 2007. He taught voice and diction, public speaking, broadcast announcing, audio production, and business-professional speech. He produced two recordings of School of Music ensembles, hosted media programs for ECU and radio shows broadcast in North Carolina and Virginia. He narrated theater and music productions, played the Lord of the Manor at ECU's Christmas Madrigal Dinner series with wife Franceine Perry Rees '65, the former class notes editor of this magazine. He was a consultant for the General Electric Co., N.C. Regional Drug Program, N.C. Humanities Committee, N.C. State Board of Education, America's 400th Anniversary Committee, and N.C./ECU Center for Applied Technology; and he gave numerous lectures and workshops for professional, civic, and honor societies. Memorials may be made to ECU's Lester and Alta Rees Memorial Scholarship.

"We are not here to destroy the old and accept only the new, but to build upon the past..."

—Robert H. Wright, Nov. 12, 1909

From his inaugural address and installation as East Carolina's first president



**Live from New York,
it's East Carolina
on the GE College Bowl**

The most well-known students on campus in the fall of 1965 and early '66 were four brainy kids who beat out many competitors to represent East Carolina in the GE College Quiz Bowl, the "varsity sport of the mind" broadcast coast to coast by NBC. They set off for New York on a Friday afternoon in April 1966 and appeared live—and in living color!—that Sunday evening. Everyone on campus was glued to a TV set, and President Leo Jenkins later declared it "one of the happiest days of my life" when they defeated the squad from Ursaline College, a Catholic girls school in Louisville, Ky., by a score of 175-100. The victory came with a \$1,500 scholarship.

To prepare John Clement, Barry Brodsky, Mike Conley and Patricia Evans for the bright lights and cameras, adviser Carroll Webber created a mock TV set in the Flanagan Building, complete



The contestants on the NBC set just before the program aired. Left, each contestant received a medal engraved with their name and school.

with signaling devices and a scoreboard, where the team was tested in live matches against faculty members. The students defeated faculty two out of the three practice matches, which were broadcast by the campus radio and TV stations.

The four flew back to New York the following weekend to face Rice University. They again checked into the Warwick Hotel and saw another Broadway play before entering the NBC studios on Sunday afternoon.

The Rice team was faster on the button, and won 390-135. (Rice eventually beat four other colleges and retired as a Quiz Bowl national champion.) The ECU squad flew home with a \$500 consolation prize and were received as heroes.

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Tremayne Smith, one of the tour guides during freshman orientation, welcomes parents and new students to campus.

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