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# ALL ABOARD!

**W**elcome aboard! It's exciting to travel through time at UNCP. You'll discover a rich history and a vibrant culture, and you'll find a warm and friendly staff and students ready to help you on your journey. Although we operate in a challenging environment, we are committed to success and growth in our campus, our community, and our university. You'll find a range of opportunities and a friendly atmosphere. Our resources are vast and our staff is ready to help you succeed. We'll be here for you every step of the way. Welcome aboard!



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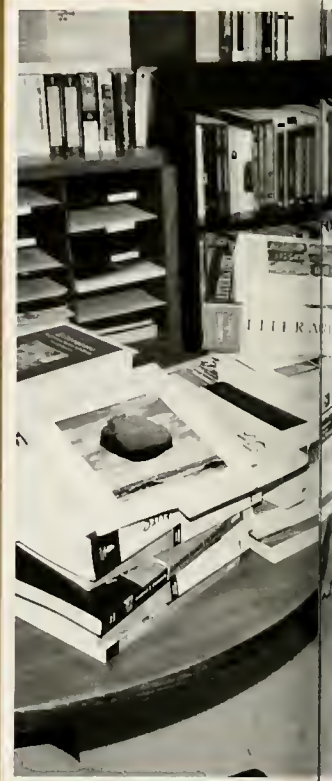
The gentlemen below are impressed with the new menu choices offered in the UC cafeteria.

It's not a bad thing to have students like to eat at school. The time to pay them back.



Jamie Griffith helps a student in the Writing Center.

Stock between the pages, Van Galloway knows the feeling.







# CROSSING THE TRACK

**T**he faculty and staff are the conductors of this train. Conductors perform their duties by managing, advising, assisting, and evaluating each and every passenger aboard the UNCP Express. The passengers are the students who can be found interacting in and outside of the classroom. Our university is moving on a fast track, growing, increasing, and building momentum. The ride may be a fast one, but every passenger needs to take the time to reflect on their temporary stop in life. We dream to achieve, and achieve by forcing those dreams to become a reality.





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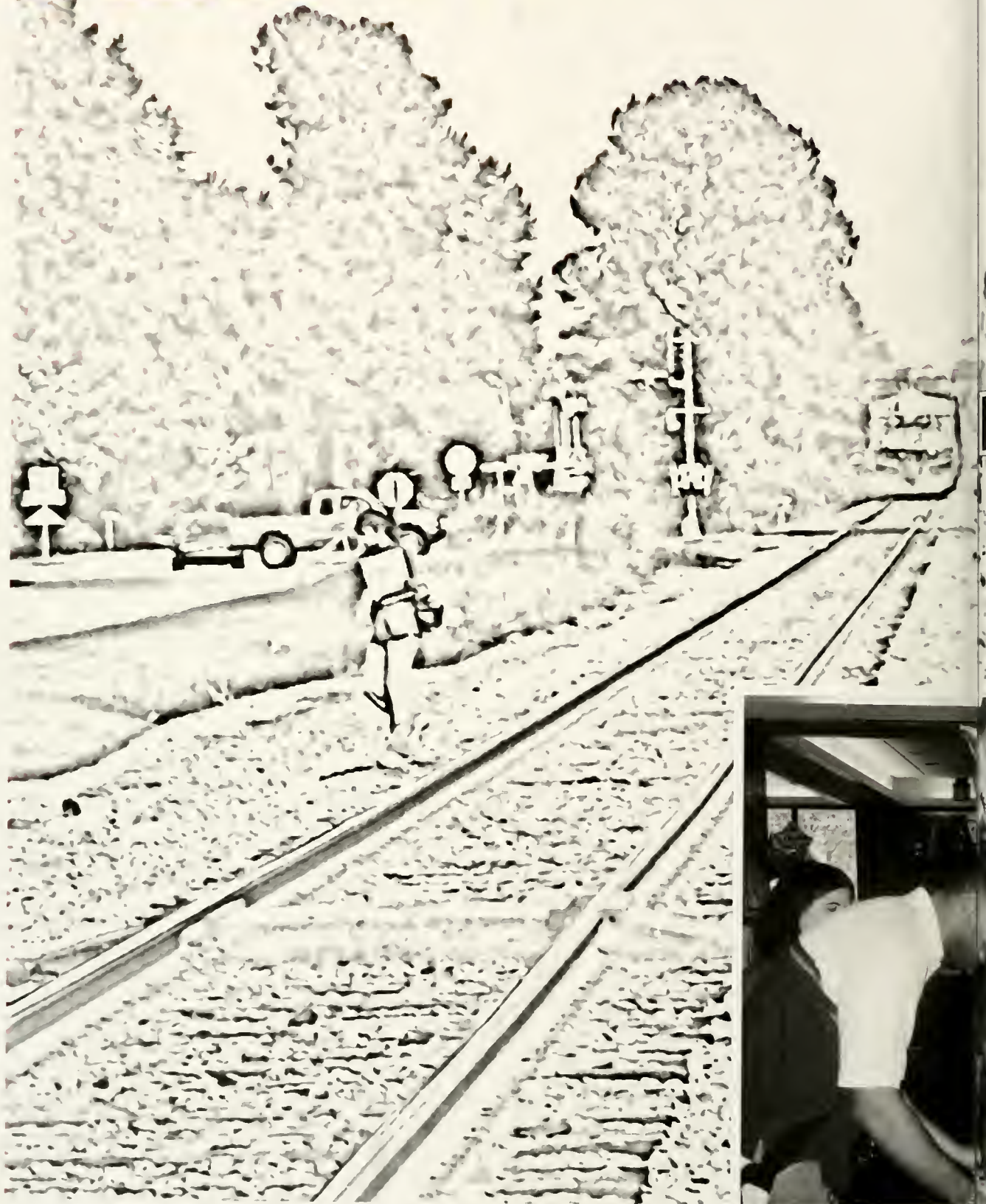


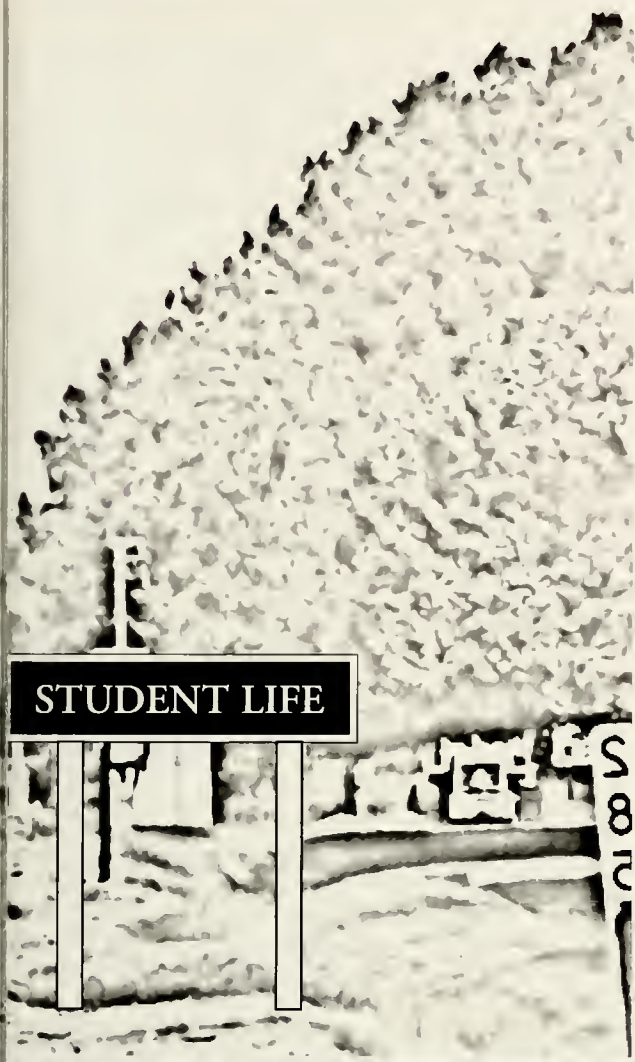
# LINE OF TRAVEL

As passengers of the train, it is our responsibility to keep up with the ticket by our income. Students are ticket holders and how they choose to use their ticket affects their work and determination will lead any passenger to their next journey. Where does your ticket lead? Where will you go? Some of us will join the work force, others will go on to graduate school. Students can rest assured that the FNU Express has led them on the right track.



# FIRST STOP





## STUDENT LIFE



As time passes and our journey begins, there are stops along the way that we all must make. UNCP has been our first stop as we make the monumental leap to a new life. As we continue this adventure we must learn to cross the barriers and go over the mountains. Students are encouraged to grab their tickets and climb aboard. This is going to be the ride of our lives. So if you want to ride with us, let's get going.

**H**elping out. Seniors discuss graduation plans with Bookstore Director Karen Swiney at Grad Finale.





Chavis. There are those who have a passion while preparing for events at Year of Culture.

It's hard when you're not smiling, then just smiles as they enjoy a warm sunny day.



# Spring Eling

The beginning of spring at UNCP is full of new adventures. The campus begins to revive, filling with laughter and the smiles of the students, faculty, and staff who have been awaiting the new season. Spring is a time of renewal. As beautiful Blossoms begin to unfold around us, we are quickly reminded that summer vacation is near.

Family Day was one of the first special events that took place in the spring of 2004. Faculty and staff were invited to campus along with their families. It was one of the many ways in which our university tried to promote parental involvement, and with increasing numbers in attendance, it has worked. Many activities such as face painting, bowling, amusement rides, and an annual potting zoo were provided by CAP.

A Taste of Culture, which was celebrated in March, was a day of fun for all. Since UNCP scored high in campus diversity, it is not a surprise that so many different groups, clubs, and organizations were represented, well as they presented their cultures. This event was informative, and fun for those who attended.



The atmosphere is simple here at UNCP. The campus is filled with beautiful flowering trees that are just like us, we like them.

There is not a break for these young ones as they experience the life of birds.



# Sweet Bliss

U.S. Senator Elizabeth Dole spoke to an audience of 4,000, including a record 406 graduates, during an outdoor Commencement ceremony on Saturday, May 8. It was the first outdoor commencement at UNCP since Bill Cosby spoke in 1998. Also offering greetings to the graduates were UNC President Molly Corbett Broad; Dr. Dudley Ford, a member of the UNC Board of Governors; Gervais Oxendine, chair of the UNCP Board of Trustees; Dr. Thomas Dooling, chair of the General Faculty; Alphonza Thomas, vice president of the Student Government Association; and Hal Sargent II, president of the Alumni Association.

Sen. Dole encouraged graduates of The University of North Carolina at Pembroke to be passionate in the pursuit of their goals. "If you are truly passionate about what you are doing, the sky is the limit," Sen. Dole said. "I do know what it is like to face challenges." In 2002, Sen. Dole was the first woman elected to the U.S. Senate from North Carolina. "There will always be daunting challenges, and when they say it can't be done, I can't wait to try," Sen. Dole said.

There are several issues that Sen. Dole is passionate about today. One of those issues is dear to the hearts of many who attended graduation at the University that was founded in 1887 as the nation's first state supported institution of higher education for American Indians. "I am passionately pursuing the recognition of the Lumbee Indians," she said. "I introduced this as my first legislative initiative in the United States Senate because it is the right thing to do - it is the fair thing to do."

A buyout of federal tobacco allotments is another difficult battle that Sen. Dole is passionate about. She was speaking in the heart of tobacco country. "I don't need to tell you all why a tobacco quota buyout is essential for North Carolina, but unfortunately I have to convince a lot of folks from places like Maine and Minnesota," she said.

In his closing words to the graduates, Chancellor Allen C. Meadors urged graduates to keep their dreams in focus. "Let your experience here at UNCP strengthen you for the journey ahead," Chancellor Meadors said. "Have clear and focused goals and make your long term goals part of your everyday life."

This graduate waves at the crowd as she makes her way down from what has been a long journey



Sabrina Clark along with fellow graduates smiles brightly as they wait patiently for the ceremony

Davena Deese is overwhelmed with joy as she is surrounded with beautiful flowers.



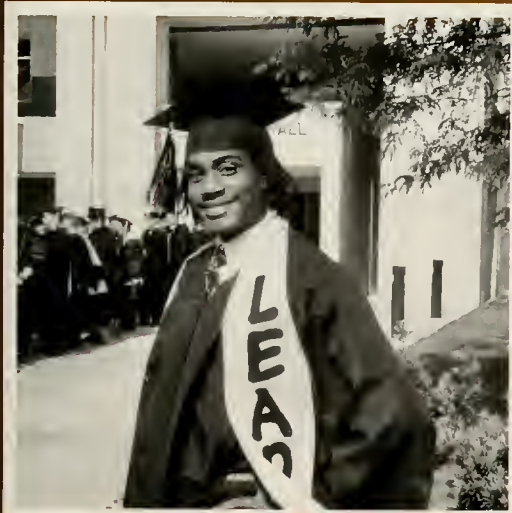




This graduate now has all he needs to start his new life.

Dr. Stephen Bukowy is honored for receiving his second bachelor's degree, this one in American Indian Studies.

Moshica Wallace presents us with her best smile after receiving her diploma.



Carl McLaurin continues to carry this school pride on as he proudly displays his cheerleader sash.

Chancellor Meadors presents Katrina Hargrave with her degree and gives her his best wishes.



Emotionally overwhelmed, Kendra Wilson comes to the realization that her college career has come to a successful end.

These little ones already anticipate being the next UNCP graduates.



The graduates above are excited to see their fellow classmates receive their diplomas.

Many graduates decorate their gowns to show off a little bit of their personality.





U.S. Senator Elizabeth Dole has amazing advice and words of wisdom for the class of 2004.

With family members, Latisha Sullivan smiles at the end of the ceremony ready to start her new beginning.



Kappa Alpha Psi Jerome Benjamin shakes hands with Alumni President Hal Sargent II.

Ready to get started, Phi Kappa Tau Roberto Montero collects all his gifts.

## Best Wishes

With many tears, hugs, and congratulations, this was a chapter ending for each graduating student. The early morning classes and late nights in study hall had paid off. It was now time to take everything learned and move on to the next stop. The world was out there, and these graduates were prepared for what it had to offer. UNCP had not only taught academics but a sense of pride and togetherness. Smiles were seen all around. For the graduates, remaining students, faculty, staff, and administration, U.S. Senator Elizabeth Dole gave inspiring words that could be applied to daily life as well as congratulations and best wishes to all of the class of 2004. Each of them left the commencement ceremony ready to face new challenges and find new horizons, equipped with a good education after their successful journey at UNCP.



# Above and Beyond

Trips from place to place, construction completed day by day, and fun that lasts and lasts are all things that make summer swing by so fast. This summer some students expanded their horizons by studying abroad. Under the direction of Dr. Michael Spivey, professor of Sociology, a group of UNCP students traveled for one week to Normandy, Paris, and other locations to study Popular Culture in France. As well as visiting the Eiffel Tower, Notre Dame cathedral, and other Parisian landmarks, they also toured the memorial to U.S. servicemen who gave their lives in the D-Day landings during World War II.

Back in Pembroke, in addition to students attending the normal summer session classes, construction workers were approaching completion of the new wing of the Oxendine Science Building. After a year of classes and labs in the modular units behind the Dial Building, faculty and students looked forward to moving back to the south end of campus at the start of the fall semester. The end of summer also brought the reopening of the Dial Building after a year of being shut down due to mold. With all of these activities, summer zoomed by, and in August everyone aboard was excited to come back.

Jason Watts and Candice Gooch pause to enjoy the romantic atmosphere of Paris.



Hope Robinson, Alicia Rich and Jana enjoy the view from *L'Arc de Triomphe*, including the French Presidential residence (right).





Physical plant staff work diligently to get every room in the Dial Building ready for operation. In the fall, the building reopened to students, faculty, and staff, free of mold, so everyone can breathe with ease.

The new wing of the Oxendine Science Building is finally complete and ready for occupants. Everyone was excited to move from the trailers to this brand new facility.



The billy goat above greets visitors in a cheese factory in Normandy.



Slow motion for this guy as he makes his way through the water works on campus.



Brandon, Blake Vaughn, and Chris Stanley are ready to have float loads of fun in the flood.

Jamin Josue is peared up to make a splash in the water with his alligator buddy.



These cars are floating across the parking lot trying to reach dry land.

Chris Golden and Joe Gibson hang out in front of the UC before grabbing a bite.





# Under the Sea

Rain, rain, pour today, send us a flood so we can play, were the thoughts of the UNCP student body, as water submerged our campus. On September 15th and 16th, UNCP felt the wrath of Hurricane Frances. The flood put a stop to school construction, extracurricular activities, and most importantly, class. Yet after the excitement of NO CLASS wore off, students had to endure flooded dorm rooms, ant infested cars, and long walks to the cafe in sewer water. In the end, students and professors alike unified, turning our two-day flood into a time of relaxation and fun.

Blake Vaughn paddles his way home on a mattress.



Nirvana fans think the flood days are awesome.

Dr. James Frederick takes a new down Pembroke lane.

Jessica Puckett of the Disabled Students Organization speaks to the crowd at the start of the Harmony Walk.



Members of the Campaign for Compassion are among the many groups and individuals participating in the Harmony Walk.



Cate Edwards, daughter of the Democratic vice presidential candidate, meets members of the Young Democrats after speaking in the UC on September 28.

Sociology Club members are among many student organizations urging students to register to vote in the upcoming presidential election.







SGA President Venessa Jones addresses the audience at Fall Convocation (left), and featured speaker Brian Freeman chats with Vice Chancellor Sandra Waterkotte in the lobby of the GPAC prior to the start of the event.

The student below is one of many donating blood during the first blood drive of the academic year.



## Sunshine

September brought UNCP a lot of interesting and promising events. On September 1, Fall Convocation officially started the new academic year. SGA President Venessa Jones gave the student body words of encouragement. UNCP graduate Brian Freeman, winner of the 2003 Teacher of the Year award from the National Education Association, entertained and inspired the audience; he also donated \$1,000 of his award to endow a scholarship for UNCP students majoring in Education.

Life is very important, and here at UNCP we do our part by participating in various events like blood drives throughout the year. This year was no different; students showed up and gave their blood and support. What was different this year was the upcoming presidential election, which inspired political interest and voter registration drives. There was also Harmony Walk, a new event that was a great success. Students and the community came out to participate. The newly formed marching band made its presence known and gave the audience a great show during the celebration.

Members of UNCP's new Marching Band provide music for the participants at the Harmony Walk.



John "Stickboy" Oxendine shows the crowd how he gets down as a Men's Grass Dancer.

Jennifer Graham of the Waccamaw Siouxan tribe concentrates on her steps while staying on beat with the drum as a Women's Fancy Dancer.



## On Beat!

All was well and all was great at this year's ANASO PowWow, which was held in the James B. Chavis University Center on September 14. Even though the event had to be moved indoors due to the rough weather, that didn't stop the dancers, vendors, drummers, cooks, and spectators from battling the rain to get here. Head dancers were Mr. Chris Conner and Ms. Millicent Nealy, and the Master of Ceremonies was Mr. Marty Richardson. Local artists Henry and Loretta Oxendine displayed their favorites, such as pine needle baskets as well as pottery and chinaberry necklaces. Jewelry, medicine wheels, flutes, medicine bags, and dreamcatchers were on display as well and up for grabs.

Dressing isn't as easy as it looks! This young dancer has two people to assist her with her jingle Dress regalia.





Joseph Nakya Leviner shows his artistic skills and expertise as a tiny tot traditional dancer.

Alexandria Eubanks has a hard time deciding which piece of jewelry she's going to carry home.



Natives from Stoney Creek, Southern Suns, Kau-toh-nah Jrs., and Southern Eagle make up the host drum.

Victoria Bullard, Amber, and Krista Dees are proud to show spectators how they do it Ladies Traditional Style.



# Whistle Stop

Students always found themselves in motion. They rushed from various classes and buildings to more classes and buildings in different locations. They went from their rooms to the UC to eat, from study sessions in the library to classes, from classes to the commuter lab, and then headed off to extracurricular activities.

But even an express train must stop every once in a while. In spite of the constant bustle, students somehow found time for the occasional moments of rest, reflection, and fellowship. Some found their relaxation in dorm lounges, the UC, or the gym, while others gathered outdoors.

Spending time on unstructured activities helped students cope with the hurried pace and many responsibilities of their lives. Soon, though, their internal whistle blew again, and it was time to get back on the fast track!



Hakim Ellis and friends meet in the UC for World AIDS Day.

Sarah Edwards and friends get together at the bell tower.



Jessica Ortiz, Megan Todd, and Sarah Lane get together to make plans for Spirit Week.



Jether James and Lea Winfield are all smiles during a men's basketball home game.



Athletes use the gym's weight room to relieve stress and work on their muscle tone.

Chancellor Allen Meadors and Mrs. Barbara Meadors ride in the Pembroke Christmas parade.



# Family Fun

Parents Weekend was held October 1st-2nd 2004. Students along with their families had the chance to enjoy free food and meet other students. The Campus Activities Board did a great job of planning a lot of activities for students and parents to participate in. A carnival was held outside the UC. Face painting, caricature drawings, train rides, and free food filled the day with fun and excitement.

This young man will enjoy wearing a face mask for a few hours during the event.

Families gather in the lobby of the University Center waiting for their turn to have their sketches drawn by the caricature artist.



Proud parents pose with their daughter Nicolette outside the University Center.



**S**enior Yvonne Schoellfield and mom Barbara Keys enjoy some time together.

**A**dults as well as children enjoy having their faces painted.



**P**arents and children stand in line to get tickets for one of the carnival games.

**E**ricka, along with her mother and sister, enjoys treats from the new Tiki Bar located inside of Bert's.



# Grand Central Station

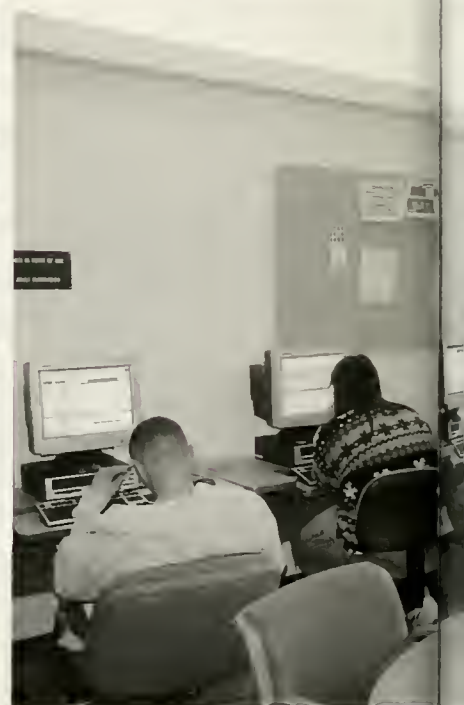
For both resident and commuter students, the Chavis University Center provided a wealth of opportunities for life outside the classroom. The view from the main entrance of the UC changed throughout the fall semester as construction on the renovations to the gym neared completion. Inside, Bert's had a new look and new menu choices. The game room, cafe, and lounge remained central to many students' daily activities. On the second floor, commuters took advantage of the lounge set aside for their use, and graduating seniors made visits to the Career Center.

The University Center was a safe haven for many students since it was the only building on campus that did not require them to think critically, analyze, or calculate. That's not to say that these activities did not occur in this building. Many students used the tables outside of Bert's to study, and lunch conversations often included the day's lecture, but students were able to speak more freely and clearly once the pressure was off. Others found the television, located in the center of the building, a place to catch up on the daily news while others preferred to relax and listen to tunes from some of the hottest music stations. The UC was undeniably the place where students, friends, and organizations came together to host various events throughout the year.



The students above work on a project in the main lounge area, which is also the site for many campus events.

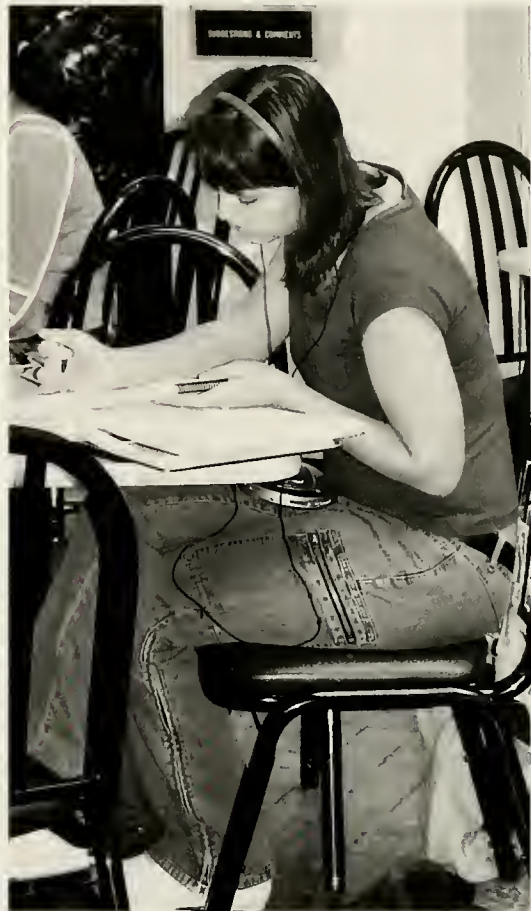
The students on the right use the computer lab on the second floor to work on papers or check their email.







The guys at left take a break from class to shoot some pool in the game room, while the woman below uses a table outside Bert's as a study area.



Jacob (above) rides past the UC on his way across campus. Visible behind him is the newly renovated gym.



Jamie Griffith (right) gets caught in a spider web while trying to escape from a skeleton at the bookstore, while the lady below strolls around campus.

Blending in the wind, this student blends in with the other trees on campus.



Disability Support Services (above) and Ryan Tingle (right) show off their winning costumes.





Jensine and Elizabeth Locklear (below) display some of the interesting costumes worn by students at the annual Halloween Dance in the University Center.



# Fright Night

Halloween fell on Sunday this year, but that didn't prevent students, faculty, and staff from coming to campus in costume earlier in the week. Various characters snarled their stuff at the Halloween Since. Dining and University offices were decorated with pumpkins and skeletons. The bookstore hosted its seventh annual costume contest on Friday, October 29, and Ryan Tingle took first place as a very scary werewolf. Last year's first place winner, Nick Adrian, won second prize this year, and third place went to the entire staff of Disability Support Services, who dressed as characters from the Addams Family. Local kids from Shining Stars also stopped by to pick-or-treat and join in the fun.

Bookstore staff members (left) get into the spirit.

This is a special moment for first time voter Chandra Glotzbach. These folks look at the works of senior Art majors on display in Locklear Hall.



Poet Jaki Shelton Green speaks with Kerri Green and another student after her presentation.

Open Mic Night proves to be a great success. This young man sings his story in a song.





I scream, you scream, we all scream  
for Grad Finale.



## Insightful

November 2004 was a great month here at UNCP. Somebody say election time. The students at UNCP really know how to make their voice heard. Many students participated in the voting process and for most it was a first. Grad Finale soon stole the spotlight. During this time December graduates were able to pick up caps and gowns along with tickets and treats. Open Mic nights at UNCP are legendary. This is a time when students can showcase their many different talents. A variety of special gifts are displayed such as singing, instrument playing, dancing, and poetry.

Poet Jaki Shelton Green graced us with her presence and presented some of her best works to us. Students along with staff got a chance to enjoy, relax, and chill as she spoke with heartfelt wisdom. Art has always found a home here at UNCP. The Locklear Hall art gallery held a magnificent showing of the paintings, sculptures, and different art forms created by graduating seniors in the Art Department.

Life is so precious and one can never know the value. When student Brandon Penney was killed in a car accident prior to December graduation, a memorial service was held on campus to help students, faculty, and family cope with this loss.

This speaker shares his memories  
of Brandon Penney during the  
campus memorial service.



These fans are up, excited, and filled with joy during the home game.

These UNCP students cheer the team on and invite others to come join the fun.



UNCP fans always show up to shout out (above) and parents (right) cheer on their sons' successes.



# Fan—Tastic

Sports fans had a lot to cheer about this fall. After surveys showed widespread student support, the Board of Trustees approved plans for the return of football to our campus. That's still in the future, but fans of the "other" football—soccer—filled the stands for a series of championship games at the Irwin Bell Athletic Center this November. After the men's soccer team hosted, and won, the Peach Belt Conference tournament, UNCP was the site for the NCAA-II Southeast Regional championship match, which the Fraves won to advance to the national quarterfinals. In their final home game

Nick Henderson and Rafael Parra-Roman (below) enjoy a laugh, warm weather, and good food.

of the year, UNCP defeated Central Arkansas to go on to the Final Four in Texas.



Autographs from senior Grime Little complete the night for these soccer fans.

Frave fans are pumped and on the edge of their seats from excitement.



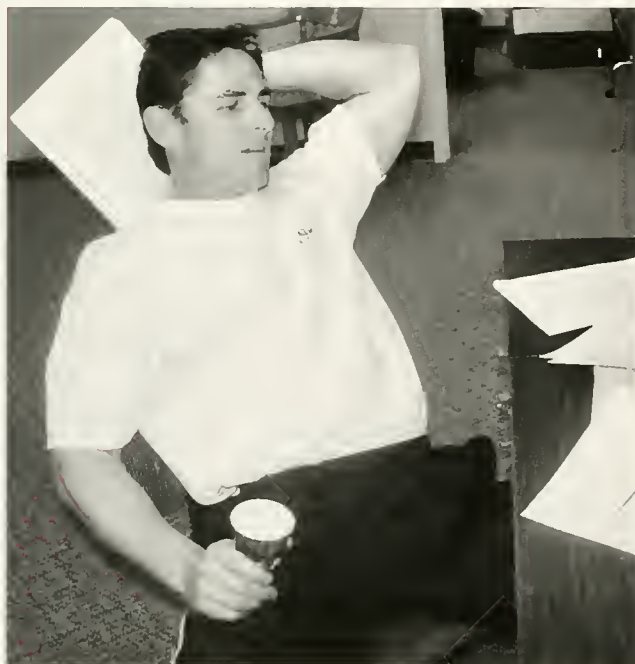
# Mission Possible

Commuting has been evolving over the past few years. Traditionally, commuters were those who lived outside of the Pembroke area and drove a lengthy distance to campus. Now the definition has become more complicated with the addition of several new apartment complexes. Either way, commuting had its advantages and its disadvantages.

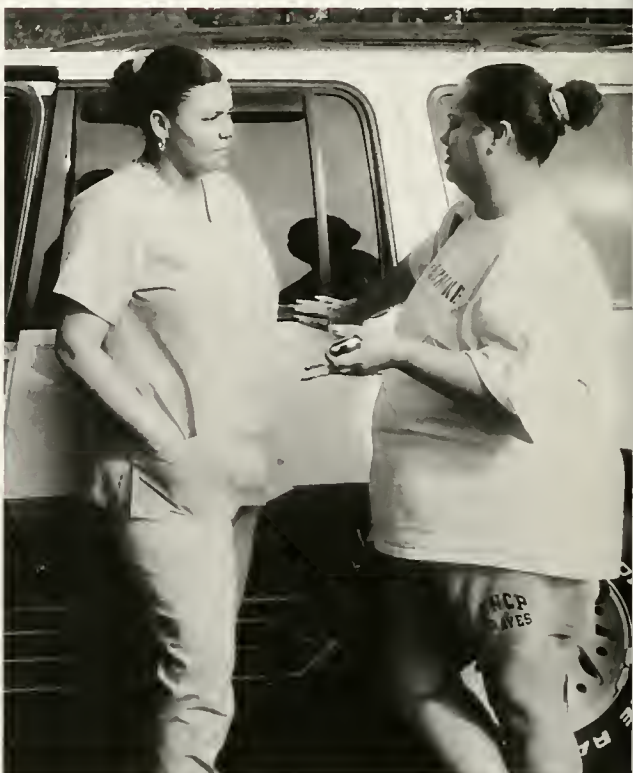
Some of the disadvantages included waking up earlier to prepare for the commute. Since several of us lived in the car, we had to take extra time to prepare our travel mugs, grab a morning snack, and load the car with all of the necessary items needed to get us through a long busy day. Another disadvantage was the weekly stop at the gas station where we filled our vehicles with over-priced gasoline. Routine car maintenance was another concern since our success and attendance depended on the wheels that took us to campus each day.

The advantages included the ability to continue our lives outside of school. Commuter student Tracy Newkirk stated, "It's much cheaper and you have more privacy." Home cooked meals and family time were another plus. The university provided a lounge for commuters so that they could view television or surf the net. On Wednesdays, many commuters received a home cooked meal at the BSU House, and movies were offered on Tuesday afternoons.

Commuter Christina Yamamoto shows off her pet ferrets to Dr. Brooke Kelly.



This student takes a rest in the commuter lounge.



Just before leaving school students converse about earlier class notes.





These students are ready to drive home after a hard day of learning.



This lady smiles for our camera before leaving for class.

Commuters get their special lunch at the BSU House.



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Basketball players fool around with soccer balls to show support for fellow athletes during a soccer pep rally.

Matt Ruffin cuddles up with Jadie, the puppy he has just adopted. This is one of many dogs rescued by Brandy Pittman, UNCP's one-woman answer to the SPCA.

# Staying On Track



# Home Truths

After the flooding at the start of the fall semester, which had some students using their dorm mattresses as flotation devices, life for resident students returned to normal. In December, students in the women's dorms said goodbye to Ms. Pat Lankford, who had been a "dorm mother" for several generations at UNCP. University Village added a few new units, and apartment residents had to travel further for their science classes after the reopening of the Oxendine Science Building.

Some advantages to the apartments over the dorms remained the same, like full kitchens and personal bathrooms. But the dorms gave students the opportunity to feel like a closely-knit community. One constant advantage was that dorm residents did not have to worry about where their next meal was coming from. These students had guaranteed meal plans for the café--and never had to worry about parking.

Hakim Ellis and Monique take a moment to smile for the camera.



These three guys of West Hall enjoy chill time.

Arts and crafts are the name of the game for these ladies.



This student stops to smile as she unpacks in her Belk dorm room. Matt Ruffin checks out all his food options at his apartment.



Apartment resident Brandy Sane has the Halloween spirit.



# 'Tis the Season

The holiday season was kicked off this year with the 2012 Annual Christmas Social. Students had the melodic entrance of the 20-piece band made up of students, staff and the Voice of the gospel choir added a unique touch to the already festive gathering. Santa Claus sat in the lounge of the building, bringing children and families.

The dance floor was lit up as the DJ played songs that got everyone into the Christmas spirit. Formal Karaoke was available for those who wanted up an appetite and lay down on the dance floor. Some students took advantage of the opportunity to be the star while others just enjoyed the night.

Several students and staff members helped spread the holiday cheer by organizing Angel Trees and food drives. Other holiday events included caroling and a Madeline House for the homeless.

Madeline House, a local charity, entertained students at the Christmas event.

Students get into a holiday mood at the Christmas event.

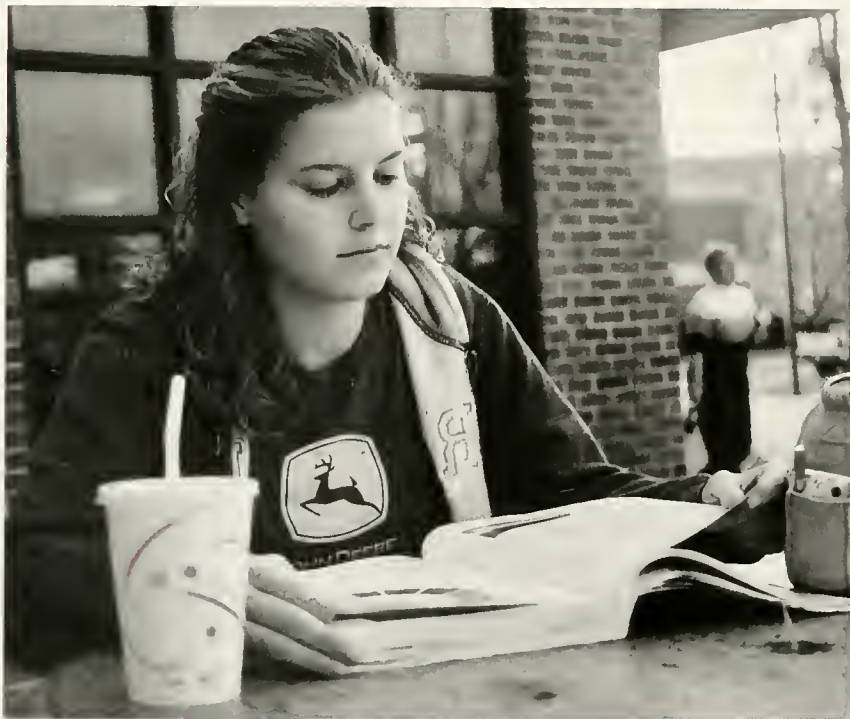




# Stressed Out

Exams came earlier this fall, and students scrambled to make up for lost time with last-minute trips to the library and computer labs. On Monday of exam week, December 6, students were treated to the annual late night "breakfast" in the cafe. Throughout the week, the Counseling Center in the UC offered activities to help cope with the stress, including yoga, massages, and the chance to make your own "stress ball" to squeeze during anxious moments.

As the week ended, students began to leave campus for the long-awaited Christmas break. Many seniors looked forward to Saturday, December 11, when they would be graduating and leaving campus for good.



S hanna Jackson sits outside the UC reviewing for her next exam.

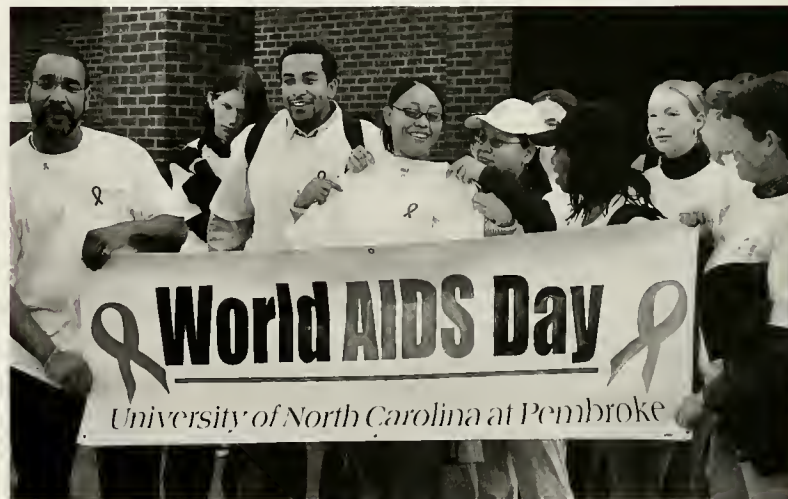






Frances gets some last-minute study tips from her Business professor, Dr. Ed Powers.

This student makes a "stress ball" to help relieve tension from difficult exams.



Donald tries to hide from studying on one of the couches in the library.

UNC students actively participate in World AIDS Day.



Nick Henderson (below) waves to family and friends after picking up his hard-earned diploma as his classmates wait to receive theirs.

Although the skies are overcast, the spirits of the graduates below are anything but as they file into the gym for the start of the ceremony.



# Growing By Degrees

December 11, 2004, was UNCI's fifth winter commencement and the largest, with 402 undergraduate and graduate students receiving diplomas in the larger English E. Jones Athletic Center. The rubble strewn around the outside perimeter of the Jones Center was a reminder of the ongoing growth and construction at the University.

Chancellor Allen C. Mendors presided. Offering greetings to students and their families were Frank Granger of the UNC Board of Governors; Dr. Alan Mabe, representing the UNC Office of the President; Carl Meares Jr., chair of the UNCI Board of Trustees; Dr. Jesse Peters, chair of the Faculty Senate; Venessa Jones, president of the SGA; and Hal Sargent, president of the Alumni Association.

The advent of a mid-year ceremony continues to be popular with students. "It's a good idea," said Hilea Rosario-Lewis who picked up her second UNCI degree Saturday. "It's more rewarding for students who work so hard to graduate."





Mom shares the elation of honors graduate Helen Kelly (left), while the education majors below give themselves a hand—several, in fact—to celebrate their accomplishment.



Graduates are greeted by family and friends bearing balloons and stuffed animals (above), flowers (center), and hugs (left) as they meet up in the lobby of the gym after the ceremony.



Taneisha "Red" Epps joins her family in the lobby of the gym to celebrate her newly earned degree.



The Education major at right is congratulated by Dr. Warren Baker, Dean of the School of Education, after receiving his diploma.



## Journey's End

Traveling the farthest for Commencement were three students from the Chinese University of Mining and Technology (CUMT). Jiang He, Yanqui Wang and Gang Wu are administrators at CUMT and received Master of Public Administration degrees. "We were very excited to see our teachers again," said Gang Wu. "They were very kind to us and gave us much scholarly wisdom."

Another group of 23 Moore County school teachers traveled to Pembroke to pick up Master of Elementary Education degrees. UNCP's School of Education took the program to them at Sandhills Community College in Southern Pines, N.C. "I'm happy to be here," said Emily Brady. "For some of us this is our first visit to UNCP."

The keynote speaker was Dr. Patricia Valenti, one of UNCP's most distinguished scholars and instructors, who served as grand marshal by virtue of winning the UNC Board of Governors 2004 Award for Teaching Excellence. Dr. Valenti told the graduates that research has shown that college graduates earn more, have better marriages, and live longer, healthier and more productive lives. But there is far more to a college education, she said. "This semester I asked my students to write about the value of an education," she said. "One very wise young man wrote: 'putting a price on education is like putting a price on a beloved family member; they both are priceless.'" "In the words of John Henry Newman, you have obtained through higher education 'a habit of mind that lasts through life,'" Dr. Valenti said. "Those of you who are about to graduate have acquired a habit of mind that is curious and inquiring, a habit of mind that replaces fear of the unknown with curiosity and questions." "There is nothing more delicious than the taste of genuine success," she said.

A graduate student (right) receives the hood symbolizing her new master's degree.





Dr. Patricia Valenti, keynote speaker and Grand Marshal, leads the platform party into the gym to start the ceremony.

Family members of all ages are always an important part of graduation.



English majors Nathan Graham and Graeme Little chat as they wait to enter the gym. As well as earning his degree, Little was also captain of UNCP's championship soccer team.

AKA member Jessica Days smiles with accomplishment after receiving her degree.



# Infusion Affair

As always, we were delighted to attend the 2005 Miss UNCP pageant. This special event was held January 27 in the Givens Performance Arts Center. The night started out with a Latin style of dance performed by the LASO dance team. Outgoing queen Jessica Ortiz-Carrero welcomed all in attendance. The reigning Miss North Carolina, Kirstin Elrod, was mistress of ceremonies for this year's scholarship pageant. Five contestants—Rasae McClure, Ashley Haywood, Briana Cannoy, Jorgiana Martin, and Morgan Hunt—competed in four categories on stage as well as in a pre-show interview. After all the songs, dances, and hard questions, a queen was chosen. Senior Morgan Hunt was named the 2005 Miss UNCP. Hunt stated, "I am from Pembroke, so this title is important for me to represent my hometown. To represent UNCP in the Miss North Carolina Pageant is my childhood dream."

Jorgiana Martin was named first runner-up, Ashley Haywood was second runner-up, and Rasae McClure was chosen by her fellow contestants as Miss Congeniality. This event was amazing for all.

All the contestants smile brightly as another adventure here at UNCP comes to a magnificent end.



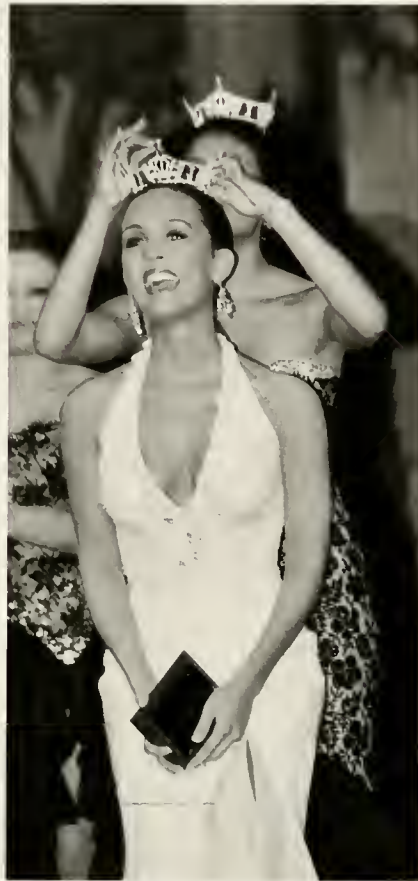
Living *la vida loca* was just one of the happy events performed at this year's pageant.

Ashley Haywood (right) struts her stuff as she graces the runway in a beautiful glamor gown.

Jorgiana Martin (center) rocks the stage with a big smile and a moving beat as she taps to "Great Balls of Fire" during the talent competition.



The winner of the 2005 Miss UNCP pageant is Morgan Hunt.



Rasae McClure steals the crowd with the gospel favorite "Mercy Said No."



Briana Cannoy (above) dances the night away while glowing with grace and elegance.

Morgan Hunt (left) sings the classic hit "Mr. Paganini" in the talent competition, a performance that earned her a standing ovation from the audience.

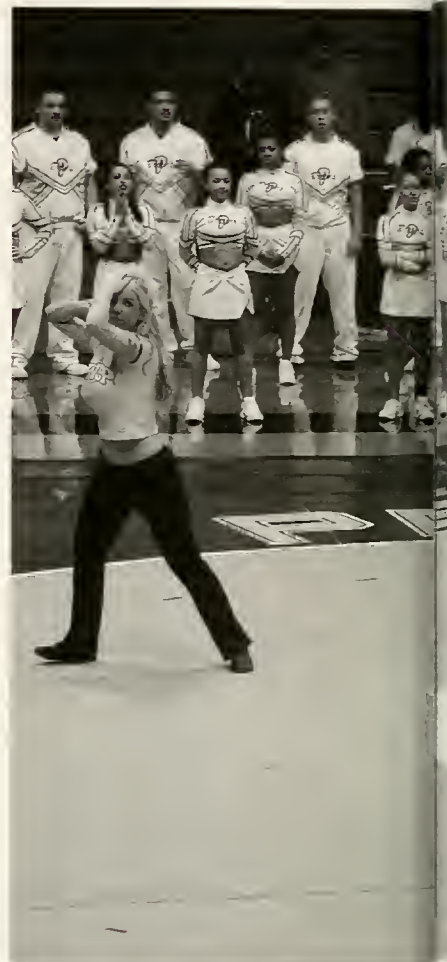


# How We Do!

This year homecoming at UNCP got off to an early start. On Monday night mentalist Alain Nu worked the crowd with many amazing tricks. Commuters and residents alike were thrilled with day time movies and our annual open mic night. The week was filled with giveaways, a pep rally, game room activities and, the grand finale, the Red Carpet Affair semi-formal.

The annual parade scheduled for Thursday was cancelled due to bad weather, but this did not bring down our spirits. Saturday night, BET *Comic View* host Rickey Smiley kept a huge smile on everyone's face. The women's and men's basketball teams played their hearts out. School spirit was proudly displayed by all in attendance. During the halftime, UNCP did it again, crowning Chris Adams as Homecoming King and Ivory Bouknight as Queen. Current students along with alumni joined together for what seemed like a magical ride through all the great events planned by CAB and SGA. Overall, homecoming 2005 was spectacular.

The UNCP dance team shows what they're working with during the halftime show at the Homecoming basketball game.



There's no party like a UNCP party because we never stop, and these folks here keep it going at the Homecoming Semi-Formal.

Bollie Boone and friend take time to admire their trophies after stepping off the red carpet.





School spirit is displayed bodily by our university cheerleading team.



B raves always soar high, and the men's basketball team leads by example.

T his year's pep band plays it loud; it's homecoming time and we're so proud.



# Wanna Ride with Me?

Homecoming this year at UNCP has proved to be the same great experience as always. The Campus Activities Board along with our Student Government filled out the week with interesting and exciting events. All students past and present were able to join in with faculty and staff and make this a year to remember. This will truly be a year that we will never forget. From the week starting off with open mic night going to a pep rally and ending with great laughter, Homecoming gave us all a sense of respect and pride for the university we attend and the community in which it resides. We all have come with one major goal in mind. As students we must grab our success by the horns. The best is yet to come.

During mentalist Alain Nu's show UNCP students learn to wrestle alligators.



Sleep! We can only wonder how many of these contestants knew this would be their fate.

Chris Adams and Ivory Bouknight crowned the 2005 Homecoming King and Queen.



Tommy the Hawk shares the spirit of the Braves and smiles with Joshua Walcott.

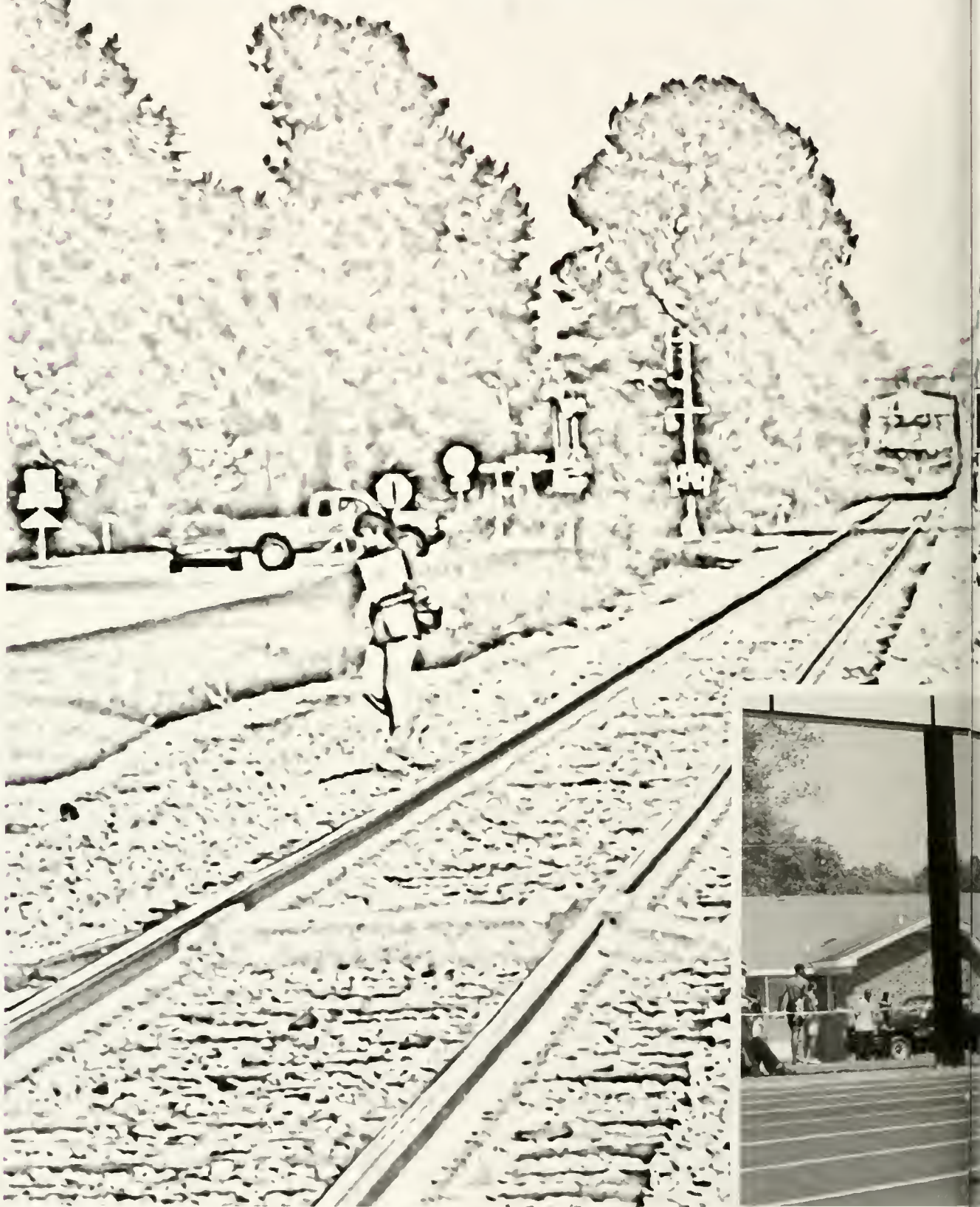


The women's basketball team proves that practice makes perfect in their Homecoming victory.

Like many UNCP sports, wrestling has had a fun and exciting year.




# LAYING TRACKS





SPORTS

When laid down, train tracks can help guide a train to its destination or goal. They guide the train toward a desired location at a certain time. A sports team is much like a train and those tracks that it travels. The tracks laid down for that train, or the team, are put there by the coaches to guide and give direction for their goals. With guidance and direction, the teams will be able to reach the destination which they desire in their journey of athletic improvement and achievement. The coaches put down the tracks which the athletes will use to compete, achieve, and most of all, be a team. Only then will they each arrive at their destination and achieve their goals in life.



Jeff Moody, Jr. (left) races against his opponent towards success and achievement.



# MOVING ALONG

**T**he men's basketball team has had an exciting year here at UNCP. Despite substantial challenges, the team managed to break records and start programs to help children. The squad picked up their first win of the 2004-05 season by downing visiting Coker College by a 74-60 score. Sophomore guard Frank Foster paced the Braves with 13 points and six assists, while Arne Danielsen came off the bench to help UNCP erase a late five-point deficit with two bombs from behind the arc. Jabarr Adams and Adam Shepherdson also scored in double figures for UNCP, turning in 12 and 10 points, respectively. Rollie Boone pulled down eight boards. UNCP also knocked down seven of fourteen attempts from the three-point line.

In one of the season's most exciting games, the men defeated Johnson and Wales University in overtime, 76-72. The Braves were led by Frank Foster, who had four assists and scored 23 points, including five three-pointers. The first half was an even battle; the Braves were a perfect 12-12 from the charity stripe and went to the locker room on an 8-0 run to make the score 39-37. The Braves held the Wildcats scoreless for the first five minutes of the second half and broke out to a ten-point lead, but costly turnovers helped Johnson and Wales go ahead at 4:34. UNCP trailed by six with 1:40 to play but after a timeout, Foster drained a three. The Braves got the ball back and, with 51 seconds on the clock, Jabarr Adams sank a field goal, drew the foul, and tied the score 64-64 with the free throw, sending the game to overtime and the Braves' second victory.

On Feb. 9, 2005, sophomore Jarrell Hunter broke the UNCP record of seven three-pointers and helped break a fourteen-game losing streak in the process as the Braves defeated Peach Belt Conference rival Francis Marion by one point, 68-67. Unfortunately, this was the final win of the season, which ended with the Braves going 3-25 overall, 1-15 in the conference.

During the season, the men's basketball team also sponsored the "Take a Kid to the Game" program. Children were able to participate in fun halftime activities, spend time with caring adults, and take home free promotional materials.

**O**n the offensive, Anthony Crank looks for an opening so the Braves can score.



**S**howing true Braves spirit, Gabe Pinkston fights to regain control of the ball.

**J**arrell Hunter goes for a basket as teammate Jabarr Adams moves in for a rebound.





### 2004-5 Men's Basketball

UNCP		OPP.
81	Barton	101
67	Fayetteville State	80
82	St. Andrew's	103
74	Coker	60
80	North Greenville	88
62	Livingstone	64
76	Johnson & Wales	72
96	Concord	111
83	Mt. Olive	115
64	Livingstone	74
68	Concord	76
49	Augusta State	83
52	Columbus State	91
70	USC Aiken	81
66	Georgia College	73
61	Lander	70
64	Clayton State	82
68	USC Aiken	80
68	Armstrong Atlantic	95
58	Lander	74
58	North Florida	85
68	Francis Marion	67
57	USC Upstate	101
40	Augusta State	67
61	Kennesaw State	103
52	Francis Marion	81
38	USC Upstate	70
62	Columbus State	92



**2004-5 Men's Basketball**—Front: Jabarr Adams, Gabe Pinkston, Ford Lawrence, Frank Foster, Anthony Crank, Josh Thomas, Lawrence Johnson, and Adam Shepherdson; Back: Assistant Coach Roy Garcia, Steven Edwards, DeShawn Banks, Mark Salazar, Jarrell Hunter, Rollie Boone, Arne Danielsen, Elhadji N'diaye, Tony Corr, Tyson Benders, Aaron Yates, Graduate Assistant Ronnie Hamilton, Head Coach Jason Tinsley.



## 2004-5 Women's Basketball

UNCP		OPP.
50	Queens	41
43	Fayetteville State	57
51	St. Andrew's	55
85	Pfeiffer	83
81	Tusculum	74
64	Morris	46
88	Allen	54
63	Livingstone	57
84	Coker	54
50	Catawba	68
59	Mt. Olive	41
48	Augusta State	51
66	Columbus State	68
48	USC Aiken	70
57	Georgia College	74
47	Lander	45
54	Clayton State	46
54	USC Aiken	69
W*	Armstrong Atlantic	L
63	Lander	58
57	North Florida	51
57	Francis Marion	51
67	USC Upstate	63
71	Augusta State	49
64	Kennesaw State	79
63	Francis Marion	48
62	USC Upstate	51
66	Kennesaw State	78

\*forfeit

With determination clearly etched in her eyes, junior guard Lindsay Bartholf (right) displays what the Lady Braves are all about as she looks to pass the ball to a teammate.

Ball in hand, Lauren Lingenfelter knows that, at this moment, her team is counting on her next move.



**2004-5 Women's Basketball**—Front: Melina Savage, Victoria Willis, Lindsay Bartholf, Tasha Stotler, Kristin Vaughan, Tracey Lightfoot; Back: Assistant Coach Kapica Davis, Graduate Assistant Dana Henderson, Melissa Wilson, Brittany Locklear, Julia Ayers, Tiffany Wright, Danielle Richardson, Lauren Lingenfelter, Mallory Wegmann, Sharkeysha Midgette, Koral Stache, Latoya Montague, Head Coach John Haskins; Not Pictured: Laneka Wilkerson.







**W**ith ball in hand and victory in mind, senior center Danielle Richardson (below) visualizes making the winning basket.



## ON THE BALL

**T**he Lady Braves basketball team kicked off the 2004-05 season by knocking off Queens University of Charlotte by a 50-41 score in the Jones Center. On December 4, the Lady Braves defeated Allen University by a score of 88-54, beginning the game with a 17-0 run.

After a slow start in Peach Belt play, the women picked up their second straight conference win, downing regionally-ranked Clayton State by a 54-46 score. In front of over 400 fans, the Lady Braves celebrated 2005 Homecoming festivities with a hard-fought 57-51 win over North Florida. Danielle Richardson and Lindsay Bartholf combined for 31 of UNCP's 57 points.

They next downed Francis Marion by a 57-51 score, ending the game with a 9-0 run to steal the victory, only the second for UNCP in the last 17 meetings between the local PBC rivals.

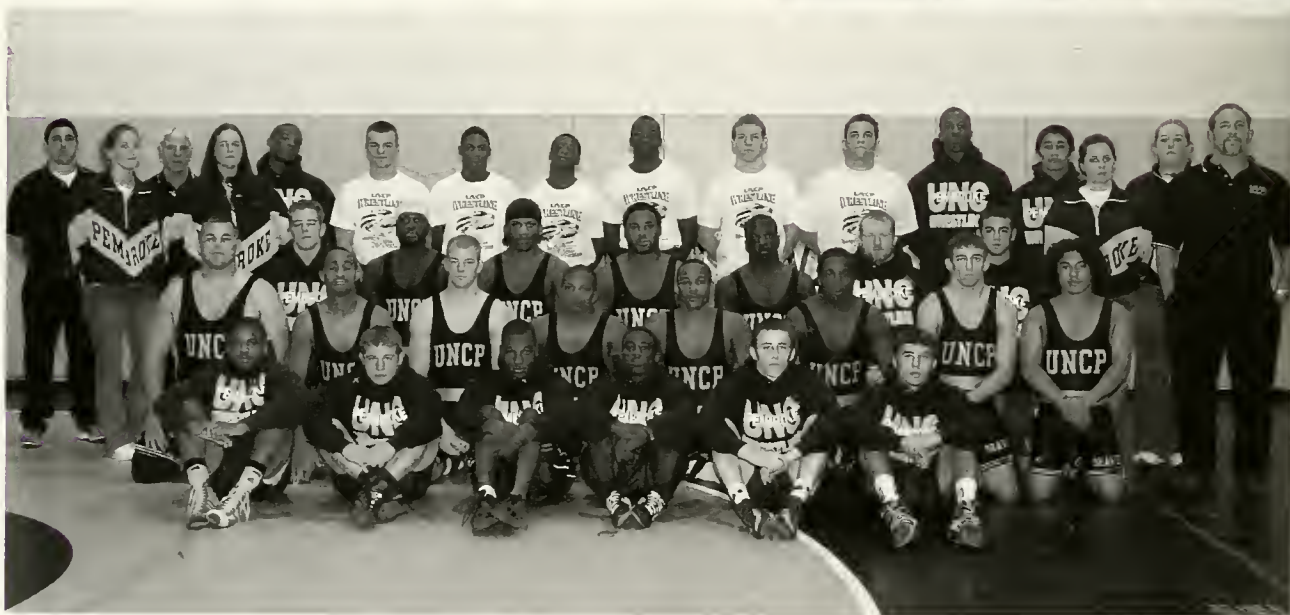
The Lady Braves finished the season 18-10 and 10-6 in PBC action, winning first place in the PBC North Division. Danielle Richardson was named PBC Player of the year, John Haskins was Coach of the Year, and Richardson and Lindsay

**T**racey Lightfoot waits patiently as she contemplates her next move. Bartholf were named to the PBC All-Conference first team.



Senior Curry Pickard calculates his next move during the Homecoming match.

Senior Lewis Polley swiftly pins his opponent to secure the Braves' victory against Newberry College.



**2004-5 Wrestling**—Adam Dedmon, Mike Liptrap, Cury Pickard, Devon Daniels, Adonai Colon, Beau Pearson, Parris Dottery, Nortan Graves, Aaron Gunning, Cedric Turner, Serrell Smith, Dwayne Coward, Matthew Anglin, Alfonzo Richardson, Derek Brunson, Matthew Chambers, Scott Metcalf, Corey Winston, Lewis Polley, Chris Simpson, Bruce Dulski, Jason Bastic, Matt Schoffner, Melvin Carter, Andrew Cross, Kevin Donoghue, Ben Williams, Eddo Hojila, Romeo Baker, Andrew Steed, Jerrod Belanger, David Keefer, Nathaniel Mitchell, James Campbell, Brian Hawington, Ray Wright, Steven Witt, Justin McIntire, Justyn Duke, Reggie Faire, Eric Payne, Matt Taylor, Quincey Talley.

# NEW HEIGHTS

**T**he wrestling squad ended their season with the highest national finish in school history, taking seventh place at the NCAA Division II tournament in Omaha. Seniors Curry Pickard and Dwayne Coward earned National Runner-Up status; they were also named 2005 All-Americans along with teammates Derek Brunson and Aaron Gunning.

The Braves had wrapped up their home schedule with a 37-16 win over Newberry College and improved to 7-4 in dual meet action for the 2004-05 season. Seniors Dwayne Coward, Aaron Gunning, Curry Pickard, and Lewis Polley all won matches in their last home meet. Pickard was ranked first in the nation in the 133-pound weight class, while Coward stood at #4 nationally at 165.

In earlier dual meet action, after narrowly defeating West Liberty State 25-24, the squad dropped its first two dual matches of the season at the East Coast Duals. They fell to No. 7 Pitt-Johnstown 32-16 and Gannon 25-21 before bouncing back to pick up a huge victory over 8th-ranked Mercyhurst College, led by All-American Curry Pickard, who went 4-0 over the course of the tournament. UNCP then finished 1-2 at the National Wrestling Coaches' Association Duals Tournament held January 21st and 22nd in Cleveland, Ohio, with a two-point win over Central Missouri State. They returned home and kicked off this year's Homecoming activities with an exciting 26-16 win over Limestone College; over 200 spectators were on hand to witness the home team improve their dual meet record to 6-4 overall.

The Braves also fared well in tournament action this season. Senior Dwayne Coward and junior Derek Brunson both won their respective

championships as the Braves finished second in team competition at the Ed South Tournament; UNCP had seven wrestlers place in the top four.



## 2004-5 Wrestling Dual Meet Results

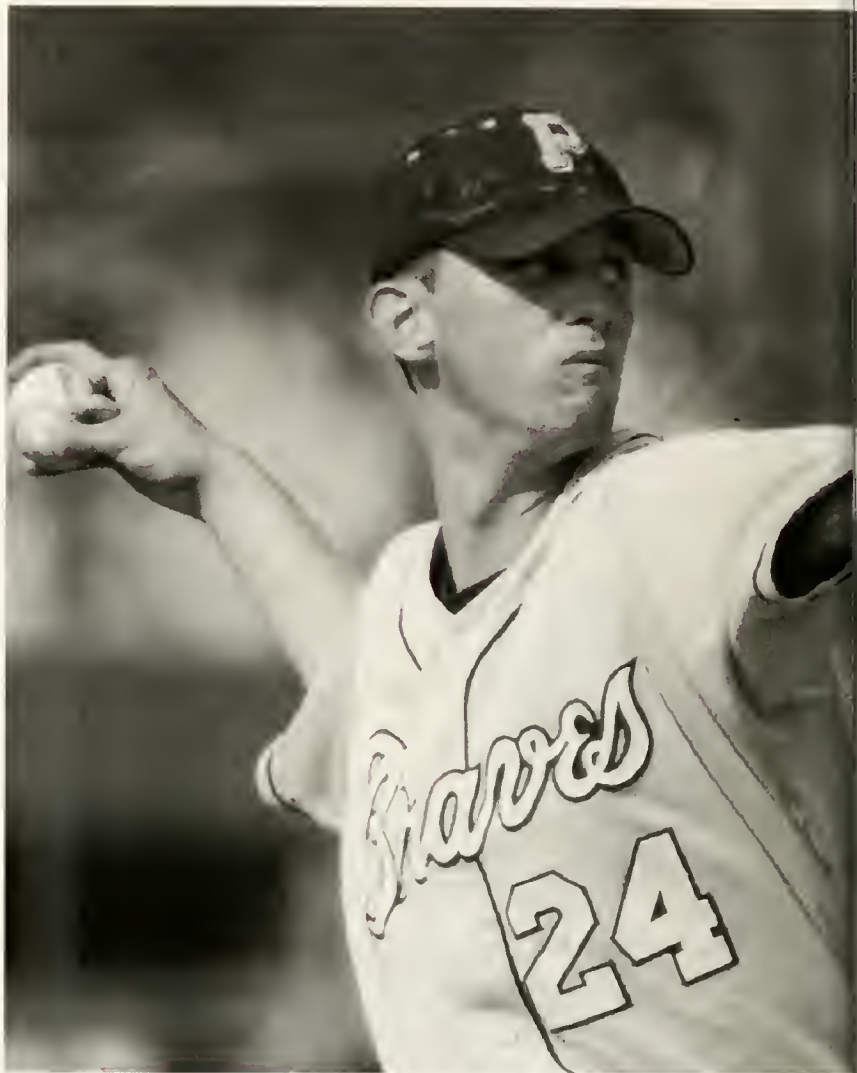
UNCP	OPP.
39	Newport News 12
40	Pensacola Christian 12
25	West Liberty State 24
16	Pittsburgh-Johnstown 32
21	Gannon 25
21	Mercyhurst 18
9	Ashland 28
14	Gannon 21
23	Central Missouri State 21
26	Limestone 16
37	Newberry 16

**A**ndrew Steed sets up a pin with an impressive display of strength and finesse.

**A**ll American Dwayne Coward fiercely grapples with a helpless opponent.



Ty Morris reaches back to deliver a perfect throw and get the opposing player out.



2004 Baseball		
UNCP		OPP
5	Coker	0
2	St. Andrews	6
10	Coker	9
2	Pfeiffer	3
7	Catawba	6
8	North Florida	7
8	North Florida	10
1	North Florida	3
7	USC Spartanburg	8
9	USC Spartanburg	3
1	USC Spartanburg	9
6	Wingate	5
2	Lander	8
1	Lander	3
3	Lander	2
12	St. Augustine's	3
9	St. Augustine's	6
7	Belmont Abbey	6
9	Anderson	11
11	Anderson	12
10	Anderson	6
3	Presbyterian	0
10	Francis Marion	2
1	Francis Marion	2
3	Francis Marion	5
1	Bryant	3
2	Bryant	14
7	Kennesaw State	5
2	Kennesaw State	6
8	Kennesaw State	5
3	Pfeiffer	4
1	Georgia College & State	6
4	Georgia College & State	5
2	Georgia College & State	14
4	Barton	3
0	Barton	6
6	USC Aiken	4
2	USC Aiken	4
4	USC Aiken	2
6	St. Andrews	12
6	Wingate	0
5	Augusta State	3
8	Augusta State	9
3	Augusta State	10
3	Columbus State	13
3	Columbus State	4
7	Columbus State	20
3	Virginia State	0
11	Virginia State	0
5	Armstrong Atlantic	3
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5	Armstrong Atlantic	3



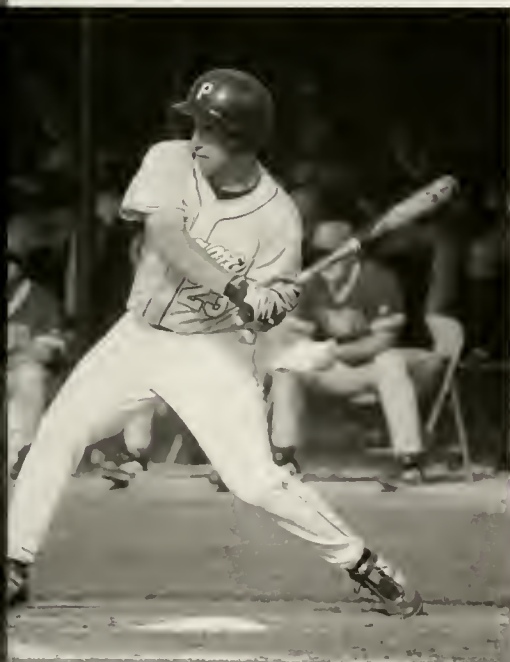
**2004 Baseball**—Front: Daniel Bowers, Justin Bowman, Andrew Rosen, Issac Ezzell, Derrick Bullard, Tripp Lockhart, Ashley Brewer, Chris Beck, Alex Keith, Zach Conaway; Middle: Cody Crofts, Kevin Walker, Ty Rutledge, Andy Jewell, Nick Hoffman, Josh Hughes, Matt Hill, Quincy Wyche, Ben Crowell; Back: Head Coach Paul O'Neil, Matt Swift, Sandy Jacobs, Tyson Van Dam, Steven Stewart, Eric Stewart, Bryant Morgan, James Luper, Mike Mattox, Assistant Coach Ray Hedrick.

# MOVING ALONG THE RAILS

**T**he Braves showed that they were on the right track as they finished their season winning a double header against Armstrong Atlantic State University. This had a new program high for the Braves in conference wins in a row. The record for conference wins was set in 1996 with ten. Despite this impressive win over AASU, the team ended their season at 25 - 27 overall, finishing eighth in the Peach Belt Conference with a conference record of 12-18. Looking ahead to 2005, the Braves hoped to improve

**D**efense and offense (below and below left) both contributed to the Braves' victories in the 2004 season.

upon their past season with the signing of four new players, Cole Franks of Lenoir Community College, Barrett Otto also of LCC, Jareyd Keesee of Hopewell High School, and Jacob Allen. of LCC.



**B**atter Mike Mattox (left) focuses on the incoming ball in hopes of scaring another run for the Braves.

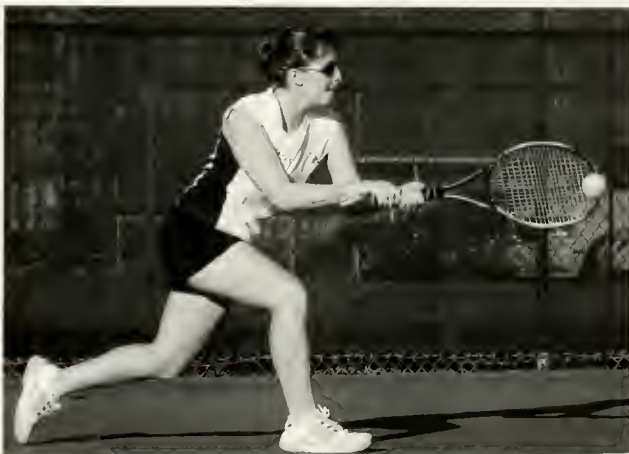
**T**he player above stretches to make a catch and tag out his opponent.



Another Lady Brave victory is what Natalie Dies is hoping for as she prepares to send the ball over the net.

### 2004 Softball

UNCP		OPP
2	St. Leo	7
2	Catawba	3
1	Nova S.E.	2
3	Florida Gulf Coast	1
3	Valdosta State	6
6	West Georgia	5
3	West Georgia	4
10	Queens	2
9	Queens	5
4	St. Andrews	2
0	St. Andrews	1
0	Armstrong Atlantic	2
1	Armstrong Atlantic	7
5	Indiana	4
3	Indiana	4
5	Virginia State	1
16	Virginia State	1
0	Kennesaw	6
0	Kennesaw	8
4	Wingate	9
3	Wingate	0
1	Belmont Abbey	0
3	St. Andrews	5
8	Mt. Olive	0
11	Barton	0
2	Anderson	3
5	Bluefield State	1
0	North Florida	5
0	North Florida	2
1	Columbus	8
2	Columbus	5
5	Presbyterian	7
0	Presbyterian	1
1	Georgia State	5
3	Georgia State	2
2	USC Spartanburg	3
0	USC Spartanburg	3
2	Lander	4
5	Lander	0
2	USC Aiken	7
3	USC Aiken	0
2	Augusta	4
10	Augusta	0
0	Francis Marion	3
0	Francis Marion	8
3	USC Aiken	7
0	North Florida	5



The Lady Brave above volleys to keep the ball in play during a match.

The batter on the right steps up to the plate and attempts to score for the Lady Braves.





**2004 Tennis**—Front: Lauren Losoncy, Erin Saltzman, Stacey Wood; Back: Head Coach Robin Langley, Natalie Dies, Shannon Gentry, Abi French, Assistant Coach Kapica Davis



**2004 Softball**—Front: Megan Rusk, Debbie Aguiar, Cassie Hinson, Heather Riley, Lauryn Blandford, Wendi Cochran, Kelly Jo Fields, Cricket Holder, Meredith Veglia; Back: Assistant Coach Jill Munchick, Jessica Furlough, Danielle Peters, Brandi Reese, Nicole McCorkle, Amanda Busch, Brookes Musser, Cyndi Carnaghi, Dana Evans, Head Coach Steve Johnson

### 2004 Tennis

UNCP	OPP
8	Belmont Abbey 0
9	St. Andrews 0
9	Fayetteville S. 0
1	USC Aiken 8
0	Georgia College & State 9
9	Johnson C. Smith 0
4	Francis Marion 5
1	USC Spartanburg 8
3	Slippery Rock 6
7	West Liberty State 2
0	Armstrong Atlantic S. 9
9	Charleston (WV) 0
5	Kutztown 4
9	Franklin Pierce 0
3	Augusta State 6
1	Columbus State 8
1	Clayton College & State 8
4	Lees-McRae 5
0	North Florida 9
0	Kennesaw State 9
6	Pfeiffer 3
6	Queens 2
9	Virginia State 0
5	Wingate 4
5	Mt. Olive 4

## ON TRACK

The Lady Braves softball team finished the 2004 season 17–30 overall and 4–16 in the Peach Belt Conference; the team received a bid to the conference tournament but was eliminated in the second round. Freshman Nicole McCorkle was named an All-Conference performer for the 2004 season. She racked up 207 strikeouts and placed herself as the top pitcher in strikeouts for the season. She was the first UNCP softball pitcher to be named PBC Player of the Week.

Spring 2004 brought great success and promise for the tennis team. To begin their season, the ladies gained two slots in the quarterfinals for singles and one slot in the semifinals for doubles at the ITA Regionals. The ladies stood strong with five wins at the Chick-fil-A Collegiate Championship in Augusta, GA. During PBC play, the ladies proved themselves with three secure matches, including a 5-1 win over Francis Marion. The ladies knocked out Mt. Olive with a score of 5-4. Overall our Lady Braves had a great season, ending up 14-14.



**S**teplechase (right), long jump (below), and pole vault (bottom) are just three of the many events in which our Track and Field athletes compete.

### 2004 Track & Field

Jan. 30 - 31	Tar Heel Classic
Feb. 7	Carolina Classic
Mar. 6	Coastal Caro. Invit'l
Mar. 13	BUC Invitational
Mar. 20	Braves Track Classic
Mar. 27	Emory U. Invitational
Apr. 3	L'stone Freeman Classic
Apr. 9 - 10	Lynchburg College Classic
Apr. 17	Carolinas Championship
Apr. 24	Christopher Newport U. of Georgia
May 1	UNC-CH Last Chance
May 8	NCAA II Nat.
May 22 - 24	



### 2003-4 Golf

#### Fall 2003

Johnny Palmer/Old North State Invit'l	T13 <sup>th</sup>
Cougar Classic	T9 <sup>th</sup>
Presbyterian Intercollegiate	T7 <sup>th</sup>
North Shore/Pfeiffer Intercollegiate	10 <sup>th</sup>

#### Spring 2004

Hombre Intercollegiate	7 <sup>th</sup>
Richard Rendleman Invit'l	2 <sup>nd</sup>
Lacey Gane Invit'l	1 <sup>st</sup>
Bobcat Invit'l	12 <sup>th</sup>
Carolina Sands	6 <sup>th</sup>
Peach Belt Conference Tourney	6 <sup>th</sup>
Atlantic/Southeast Super Reg.	

#### Fall 2004

Kiawah Island Invit'l	2 <sup>nd</sup>
Johnny Palmer/Old North State Invit'l	6 <sup>th</sup>
Cougar Invit'l	T9 <sup>th</sup>
Pfeiffer/Charlotte Shootout	1 <sup>st</sup>



**2004-5 Men's Golf**—Ryan Alexander, Tommy Baker, Greg Dobbins, Ben Frolo, Chris Helms, Travis Marshall, Robert McKinney, Lee Neiberger, Dan Schenk, Jack Schweitzer, John Thompson, Head Coach Kyle Savage.





# RAILS RUN TOGETHER

This fall the UNCP golf team stayed on track with a very successful season. They were ranked 23rd in the national GolfStat rankings. Highlighting the season was the championship title the team earned at the Pfeiffer/Charlotte Shootout with the help of team members Rex Willoughby, Greg Dobbins, and Lee Nejberger. Rex Willoughby was able to earn medalist honors in the competition by scoring 2 under par for the match. Head Coach Kyle Savage hopes that this experience will allow his team to better themselves for the next season.

During the Spring 2004 season, the talented athletes on our Track and Field teams demonstrated great skill as they worked nonstop to bring victory to UNCP. With the addition of new comers Jessica Autry, Rebekah Niesborella, Justin Gordan, Heather Murray, and Michelle Krivonak, the team was becoming stronger and better. During the Carolina Championships, our teams showed great athleticism, placing third out of the eleven teams that competed, while the Lady Braves secured fifth place out of ten teams. Jeremy Holman and Waco Douglas each snagged a first place in single events. Holman took home first in the 200-meter dash with a time of 21.47 seconds. Douglas won the long jump with a 23'01" effort. Douglas also took fifth in the 200 meters with a 22.22 time. Jeriah Griswold placed sixth in the 10,000-meter run with a mark of

33:58.16. In the 400-meter dash, Tim McCormick placed sixth. The men's 4x100 meter relay took home second, only a short miss from first, which was taken by Claflin University. Second and sixth places were secured by Kevin Lemons and Devrett Griffith in the 110-meter high hurdles.



# UNCP

The University of North Carolina at Pembroke



**2004 Men's and Women's Track and Field**—Front: Chika Okonkwo, Tiffany Finandis, Tierra Carpenter, Tierra Kaiser, Kia Stith, Terria McClair, Tiffany Justice, Melanie Baldrige, Ebony Terry; Middle: Troy White, Gray Taylor, Elliot Palmer, Deante' Spearman, Eric Cavingtan, Jeremy Halman, Jeriah Griswold, Gavan Garner, Antione Stanley, Tim McCormick; Back: Chris Harris, Jeff Moody, Brandon Twiford, Brian Allen, David Mead, Shawn Sledge, Kevin Lemans, Devrett Griffith, Brandon McDaugald



# TICKET TO THE FINAL FOUR

**T**he men's soccer team achieved many new goals this season, finishing with an overall record of 16-3 and nationally ranked fourth in the NCAA Division II. Their only two losses during the regular season came against non-conference rivals Methodist and Queens as the Braves were on a roll in Peach Belt Conference matches.

The Braves stood their ground against Frances Marion's Patriots. Both teams fought for the goals but it was UNCP who scored first. Pembroke's Sascha Görres crossed a ball which was picked up by sophomore Trond Myrland, who then was in possession and scored a goal against FMU's goal keeper. The Braves led 1-0 for the rest of the game. After the well earned victory over the Patriots, UNCP could say for the first time since joining the Peach Belt Conference that they were champions. The Braves then continued to dominate in the Peach Belt, winning their first-ever Peach Belt Conference Tournament Championship in school history by defeating the USC Upstate Spartans by a 3-1 score. The Braves followed up on their conference championship by winning the NCAA Division II regionals and going on to the national semifinals.

Five UNCP soccer players were named to the National Soccer Coaches Association of America's (NSCAA) All-Southeast Region squad, including Sascha Görres, who also received All-American recognition. Görres and Trond Myrland were named to the All-Region first team, while Thomas Lindal, Graeme Little, and Sinan Tümkaya made the second team. These players produced what was needed to send the team to the playoffs and then the Final Four.

**T**rond Myrland (right) stays ahead of his opponent and advances the ball down the field for the Braves.



**J**an Broszeit (above) races down the field to get to the ball ahead of his opponent.



**J**ohn Cooper (above) contributes to the Braves' win against Francis Marion.

**S**ascha Görres (right) fights to retain possession for UNCP.





**2004 Men's Soccer**

UNCP		OPP.
7	Catawba	4
6	St. Andrew's	2
8	Limestone	1
3	Coker	0
5	Lander	2
1	Methodist	3
1	Clayton State	0
2	Mt. Olive	0
4	USC Aiken	0
5	Barton	0
1	USC Upstate	0
1	Francis Marion	0
3	North Florida	1
1	Queens	2
2	Lander	1
3	USC Upstate	1
2	Clayton State	0
1	Central Arkansas	1
1	SIU Edwardsville	4

**A**li Erdal (left) slides in front of an opponent to keep the ball for the Braves.



**2004 Men's Soccer**—Front: Fernanda Abonza, Mircea Cosac, Ali Erdal, José Sanchez, Wes Bowers, Tom Martin, Richard Sallin, Evan Saleeby, Gabriel Askins, Chris Gilbert, Dominic Bilotta; Middle: Head Coach Mike Schaeffer, Asst. Coach Marco Genée, Thomas Lindal, Markus Seeseke, Sinan Tümkaya, Jan Broszeit, Edmundo Zamorano, Sascha Görres, Rudi Vogl, Joe Warrenda, Avery Croteau; Back: Erik Hayworth, Trond Myrland, Graeme Little, Özgür Baytar, Chad Carlile, Arthur Mellors, John Cooper, Andrew Brawn, Mike Zindros.



**A**li Erdal, Ozgür Baytar, and Sinan Tümkaya get together on the field to celebrate after the Braves' tournament victory over Clayton State.



**G**raeme Little, senior and captain of the soccer team, smiles as he walks off the field after a tournament win.

**2004-5 Cheerleaders—**

Elizabeth Chavis, Erica Locklear, Christina Fiorentino, Brittany Garrison, Katrina Hampton, Becca Kenney, Michelle Knox, Nicole Needham, Nina Oxendine, Laura Reid, Julie Tobias, Stephanie Dunn, Asa Lowry, Jennifer Bond, Dezia Chavis, Kelvin Berotte, Byron Locklear, Philip Oxendine, Layton Wright, Joshua Deese, Richard Cole, Ryan Locklear, Daniel Martin, Head Coach Kristen Nusz



**S**occer team members join hands to celebrate their victories and share them with the fans in the stands.



# A LOT TO CHEER ABOUT



After their success in the regular season, the UNCP men's soccer team received the honor of being the PBC Tournament Champions with a 3 - 1 win against the USC Upstate Spartans; Trond Myrland was named MVP in this game. This was the first time in the program's history that the Braves ever won the title for the conference. After this enormous win, the team then rode the the tracks right into the NCAA Division II Championship Tournament as they defeated Clayton College and State (2-0) in the first round and the University of Central Arkansas (1 - 0) in the semifinals. Unfortunately, as well the team played throughout the season, the team's dreams were brought right from under their feet. In the Final Four game against



Southern Illinois-Edwardsville College, the Braves lost 4 - 1, making it their third loss for the entire season. Honors were abundant as the Braves exited their very eventful season. Players Ozgür Baytar, Sascha Görres, Trond Myrland and Joe Warena made it into the PBC All-Tournament Team. Also five members of the team were honored by being named into the National Soccer Coaches Association of America's All-Southeast Region squad.

The season excited the team, fans, and students as this was the first time the UNCP Braves ever competed in the Final Four of the NCAA-II Tournament.

Contributing to the excitement were the UNCP Cheerleaders. Under the leadership of their new coach, Kristen Nusz, the members of the cheer squad performed acrobatic stunts and helped keep the fans in the stands pumped up as they cheered the Braves on to victory.

UNCP's cheerleaders keep the fans in the game during the NCAA-II regional tournament.



Jan Broszeit lies down on the field for a well-deserved rest after a tournament victory.



**2004 Women's Soccer**

UNCP		OPP.
1	Belmont Abbey	0
1	Pfeiffer	0
2	St. Andrew's	0
4	Limestone	0
3	Lenoir-Rhyne	0
1	Lander	1
8	Coker	0
2	Clayton State	1
2	USC Aiken	0
2	Methodist	0
0	Kennesaw State	2
1	USC Upstate	2
1	Newberry	0
2	Georgia College	0
3	Barton	0
0	North Florida	1
1	Francis Marion	2
3	Columbus State	3
0	Clayton State	4



**S**arah Dagnachew gets to the ball ahead of her opponent to keep possession for the Lady Braves.



**G**oalie Hillary Helms dives for a save.



**T**his Lady Brave stretches to cross the ball.



# ON SCHEDULE

**A**fter a spectacular season in 2003, UNCP's women's soccer team blasted off with a ferocious display of skill, power, and tenacity as they claimed a streak of wins to kick off 2004. Ranked #10 in the region after last season, the Lady Braves sought to better their record. After going undefeated in five consecutive games, the Lady Braves tied 1-1 with Lander University during their sixth match and followed with a parade of wins before stumbling into their first loss of the season with NCAA Division II national champions Kennesaw State. Even with the loss, the Braves remained undefeated against Division II regional opponents. However, the match against USC



Upstate would mar the Braves' record with another disappointing defeat. The Braves would redeem themselves with three consecutive wins before falling short during their match with North Florida.

As the season came to a close, the ladies bid farewell to seniors Courtney Jones, Mary Kresse, Crystal Lanoza, Tamara Marshburn, and Simonae Taylor.

**J**amie Clarke (left) is blocking her opponent while advancing the soccer ball down the field.

**Y**asemin Sunbul (below left) gets into position to make contact with the ball.



**2004 Women's Soccer**—Front: Jackie Bower, Amanda Titus, Kelly Jones, Crystal Lanoza, Sarah Dagnachew, Dana Henderson, Brenna Russick, Simonae Talyor, Courtney Jones; Back: Kristen Parker, Allie Black, Mary Kresse, Bridget Morton, Erin Rowley, Nicole Denman, Tamara Marshburn, Katie Stokes, Jamie Clarke, Miia Heinonen, Yasemin Sunbul, Hillary Helms, Coach Lars Andersson.



2004 Volleyball		
UNCP		OPP.
0	Wingate	3
0	Wingate	3
3	St. Augustine	1
3	Winston Salem State	0
1	Converse	3
0	Lincoln Memorial	3
0	Mars Hill	3
3	Nova Southeastern	1
2	Converse	3
0	Catawba	3
3	Fayetteville State	0
0	North Florida	3
0	St. Andrew's	3
1	Francis Marion	3
0	USC Upstate	3
0	Lander	3
1	Armstrong Atlantic	3
0	USC Aiken	3
3	Augusta State	1
3	NC Central	0
0	Puerto Rico-Rio Pedros	3
1	Converse	3
0	Armstrong Atlantic	3
0	North Florida	3
0	Francis Marion	3
3	Lander	1
2	USC Upstate	3
3	St. Andrew's	1
3	Augusta State	0
0	USC Aiken	3
0	Armstrong Atlantic	3

**K**elly Parker keeps the game going by keeping the ball in play.

**J**enn Paroda orchestrates a nice set for one of her teammates to either volley or spike the ball over the net.



**T**his Lady Brave digs to help her team continue to keep the ball in play.

**A**nice move by Natalie Niesborella gives her team a chance to get the volleyball over the net.





# A VOLLEY OF A SEASON

**I**n 2004 the Lady Braves Volleyball team finished the season with a 9-22 record, improving from its 6-30 of last season. Although the team did not fare as well as they had hoped, the season high was the home game between the Lady Braves and the St. Andrews Knights.

On a night when both offenses struggled, senior Natalie Niesborella anchored a UNCP defense with a game-high 23 digs, leading the Pembroke volleyball squad to a 3-1 win over visiting St. Andrews in the Jones Center on Tuesday night (14-30, 30-27, 30-26, 30-25). St. Andrews dominated game one, and UNCP struggled to find a spark in the 30-14 loss. The Knights recorded a .255 hitting percentage to Pembroke's -.049 for the game.

The Lady Braves, however, bounced back to take game two behind the impressive serving of junior Kelly Parker. Tied at one game apiece, UNCP cruised to victories in games three and four, receiving a much needed lift from sophomore Rachelle Milbank, who came off the bench to tally eight kills and three service aces.

For UNCP, senior Stacy Norton notched a team-high 14 kills, while Parker finished with 11. Jenn Paroda recorded yet another double-double with 40 assists and 16 digs.

Tirzah Armenta paced the Knights with a game-high 15 kills and 12 digs. Jessica Bewley finished with 13 kills, while setter Kim Harper tallied 41 assists on the night. Defensively, Jessica Burkart recorded 21 digs.

Looking to the future, the new head coach of the Lady Braves, Jeff Billington, hopes to exceed all expectations and turn Pembroke into a nationally-respected program.



**2004 Volleyball**—Alicia Hill, April Newhouse, Sarah Harrison, Codi Kohlmeier, Kelly Parker, Natalie Niesborella, Stacy Norton, Meredith Craig, Takeyia Perkins, Rebekah Niesborella, Rachelle Milbank, Jennifer Paroda, Coach Beverly Justice, Grad. Asst. Kate Short.



## 2004 Cross Country

### Men's Results

Gamecock Invitational	4 <sup>th</sup>
UNCP Invitational	6 <sup>th</sup>
Wingate Invitational	8 <sup>th</sup>
Citadel Invitational	4 <sup>th</sup>
Lenoir-Rhyne Invitational	5 <sup>th</sup>
Mt. Olive Dual Meet	1 <sup>st</sup>
NC College Championship	4 <sup>th</sup>
Peach Belt Conf. Championship	5 <sup>th</sup>

### Women's Results

Gamecock Invitational	6 <sup>th</sup>
UNCP Invitational	4 <sup>th</sup>
Wingate Invitational	9 <sup>th</sup>
Citadel Invitational	3 <sup>rd</sup>
Lenoir-Rhyne Invitational	T4 <sup>th</sup>
Mt. Olive Dual Meet	N/A
NC College Championship	2 <sup>nd</sup>
Peach Belt Conf. Championship	7 <sup>th</sup>



**2004 Men's Cross Country**—Front: Grad. Asst. Mike Jimenez, Shawn Sledge, Joshua Wooten, Tyler Keith; Back: Jeriah Griswold, Giovanni Bilotta, Justin Gordon, Coach Larry Rodgers.



# CROSS COUNTRY TRIP

UNCP's Men's and Women's Cross Country teams wrapped up their regular season at the Peach Belt Conference Championships hosted by Lander University with the Lady Braves placing 7<sup>th</sup> and the Braves placing 5<sup>th</sup>. The Braves and Lady Braves have definitely shown a lot of improvement from last season's Peach Belt Conference Championships and meets overall. Likewise, not only has the team as a whole improved, but individual players as well.

Running a personal best time of 20:02 in the women's 5K, sophomore Adriana Yanez led her UNCP squad to their best performance of the season at the North Carolina Collegiate Championship hosted by East Carolina University. The Lady Braves grabbed 2<sup>nd</sup>-place honors among the 10-team field, while the men brought home a 4<sup>th</sup>-place finish. Yanez finished in 6<sup>th</sup> place individually and garnered All-State accolades. On the men's side, the Braves also had four runners turn in season-best performances in the 8K.

Giovanni Bilotta, Josh Wooten, Justin Gordon, and Shawn Sledge (left) run with effort and determination.

Adriana Yanez (below) breaks away from the pack to put in another great finish for the Lady Braves.

At the Citadel Invitational, the UNCP women's squad brought home an impressive third place finish among a field of ten teams, while the men grabbed 4<sup>th</sup> place among seven squads and had all six runners turn in some of their best performances of the season. Another highlight for the season was the first place finish for both teams at Luther Britt Park against Mt. Olive College. Contributing to the wins were Giovanni Bilotta, who brought in a time of 16:50 in the 5K run, and Adriana Yanez, who brought in a time of 12:58 in the 32K run. The Braves hope to take this experience of a great season and improve upon it in 2005.



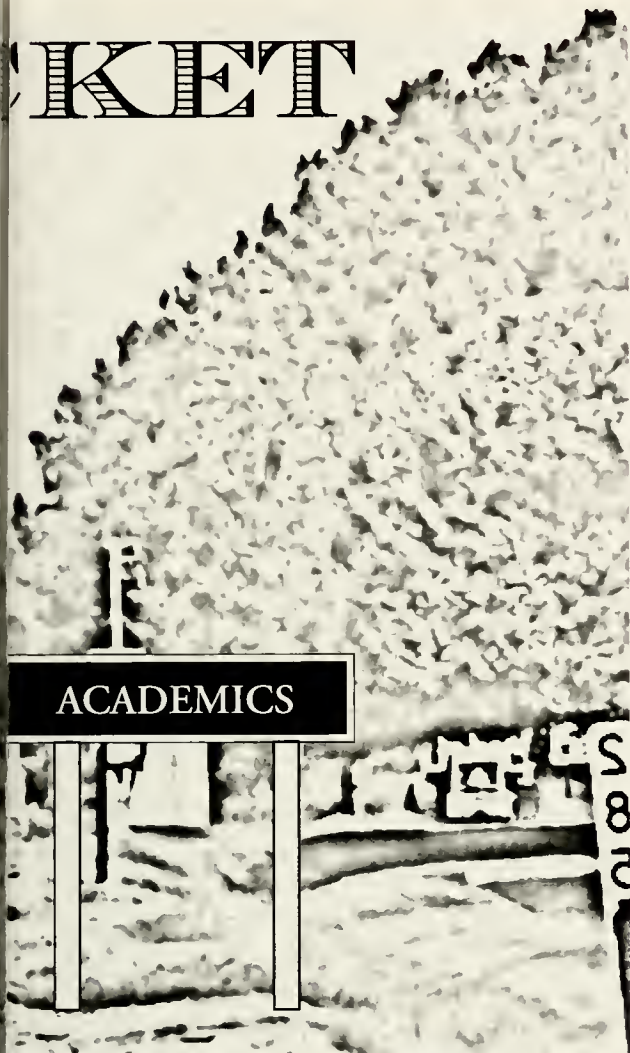
**2004 Women's Cross Country**—Front: Jamie Vogt, Tiffany Justice, Katerina Matousova, Adriana Yanez; Back: Gladys Wolcott, Chika Okonkwo, Barbara Jacobson, Coach Larry Rodgers.



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ACADEMICS



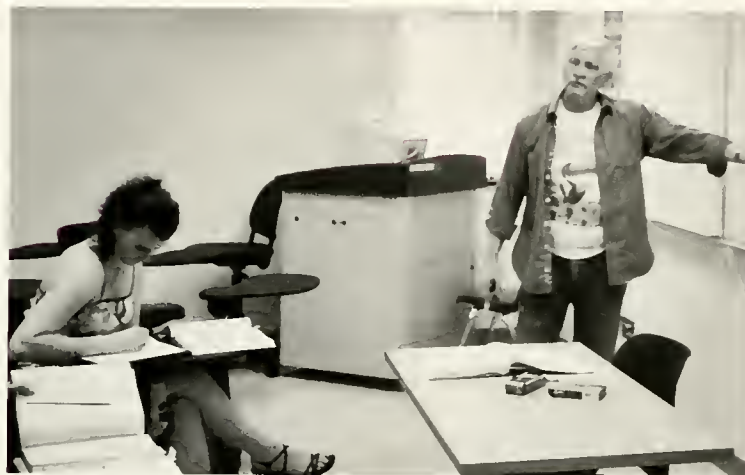
While traveling through UNCP, do not forget to purchase your tickets for the academic ride of a lifetime. Along this journey, you will come across many beautiful scenes and different atmospheres. The train will first stop at the new and improved Oxendine Science Building. Next, you will stop off by Old Main and the Samspon-Livermore Library. Then the train will chug along the tracks while art, music, and theatre from the GPAC, Moore Hall, and Locklear Hall entertain your soul. As the whistle blows, the Education and Business Administration buildings are right ahead. After the train stops, there are only two more sights to see on this ride. Your conductor will help you if you have any questions about the construction at the Jones Health and Physical Education Center. Finally, you'll come to the last stop when you smell the crisp air of the Dial Building. Enjoy your travel along the UNCP Express!

**T**he science departments are among the many academic programs offered here at UNC Pembroke.



**T**ime Well Spent—Zankhana Petel puts in some extra study hours for her biology lab.

**W**ithout a professor like Dr. Don Beken to point students in the right direction, College Algebra would be much more tedious.



## Improvements

**T**he new and improved Herbert G. Oxendine Science

Building was re-dedicated on Wednesday, Aug. 25, 2004. The Science Building houses the Departments of Mathematics and Computer Science, Biology, and Chemistry and Physics. After the dis-

location of these departments in the modular units, the chairs as well as students are all glad to be back.

The Mathematics and Computer Science Department supports a liberal arts education, provides service courses for other program ar-

reas, and offers an M.A. Ed. program in mathematics education. Students in the Department of Biology can choose from five Baccalaureate degree programs. The Department of Chemistry and Physics offers bachelor's degrees in many areas of Chemistry and in Applied Physics.

The Department of Nursing, located in its own building, is committed to offering a program of quality professional nursing education for current RNs and students entering the profession.

*In chemistry lab, Beth Ransome concentrates to complete her project.*





**J**immie Peterson hopes for a C++ (that's a computer language, not his grade!) in Computer Science.

**D**NA? Mara Sharpe and Shannon Starck extract and examine their findings.



**B**iology students receive hands on experience with anatomy by dissecting a cat.

**T**he long arm of the law, Dr. Tom Dooling, demonstrates the laws of physics to his students.



**P**rofessor George Harrison teaches his students the latest trends in public relations.

**L**ibrary study rooms provide a quiet space for students like Peta Bivens to meet a study group.



**W**hether you need to check out books or movies, there's always someone at the circulation desk for you to get a little extra help.

**B**ooks, Books, Books, and more Books line the shelves of the Sampson-Livermore Library. If you know what you need, just take one.



**G**eology demands a lot of focus, so the students in the class at right sit back and are very attentive.





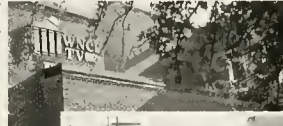
# Multimedia



The Sampson-Livermore Library includes over 300,000 print volumes, 1,500 print subscriptions to serials, access to more than 250 electronic databases, special collections that include the Charlie Rose Collection, government documents, current reading and media materials, and a staff of 30.

Old Main houses the Departments of American Indian Studies (AIS) and Mass Communications, the Geology and Geography programs, and the University Honors College. Mass Communications combines Broadcasting, Journalism, and Public Relations tracks emphasizing a strong liberal arts education and rigorous professional preparation for students planning careers in

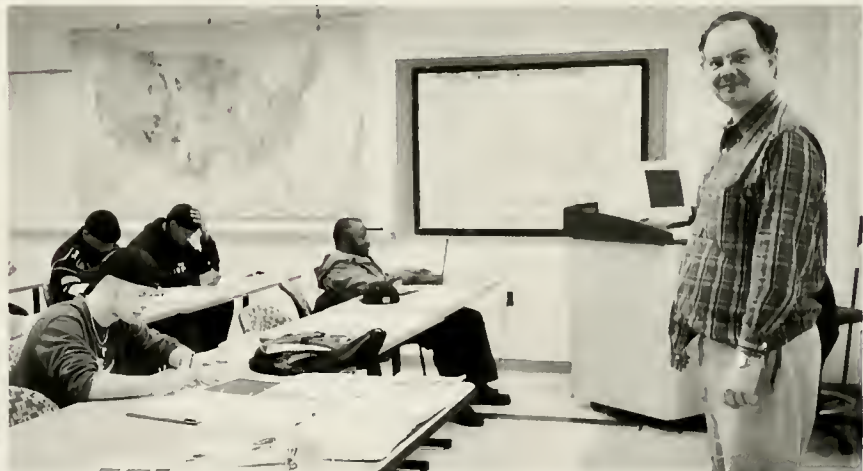
mass media and media-related fields. Its students are enthusiastic about the straight stuff they learn from the real world experiences they find in *The Pine Needle* campus newspaper, WNCN-TV television station, and our chapter of the Public Relations Student Society of America (PRSSA).



AIS offers a program to educate students about the rich di-

versity of American Indian history and culture, to promote research and scholarship concerning American Indian issues, and to prepare students for professional or scholarly careers.

The University Honors College recognizes and promotes the scholarly and personal growth of outstanding students.



**G**eography? Are you sure? Yep! This is Mr. Martin Farley taking these students across the map.



**T**odd Luck and other students throw around ideas in their mass communications class with Dr. Tony Curtis.



# Production

**L**ocklear Hall, Moore Hall, and the Givens Performing Arts Center all share production in common with one another. The Art Department is known for its programs in drawing, painting, digital arts, printmaking, sculpture, and art education. Each faculty member practices his or her own artistic abilities while teaching the students new found techniques. Locklear Hall had been going through some new renovations and hopes to have a few new stories for the 2005 fall semester.

Moore Hall is also known for the productions that are held on campus. The Department of Music's goal is to allow every student who demonstrates interest and ability in music the opportunity to continue further study

whether it may be as a profession or just a neat hobby. The department offers a bachelor's degrees in Music, Music Education, Music with Elective Studies in Business, and Musical Theatre, an academic concentration, and minors in music, jazz and sacred music. The building also has a few new changes that it is undergoing to the band room.

The Givens Performing Arts Center (GPAC) is where it all is shown. In addition to theatre classes, there have been many student productions at GPAC this year including Oscar Wilde's classic comedy, *The Importance of Being Earnest*.

**T**his potter demonstrates how delicate a matter the creation of art is.



**M**ichael Washington, Tasha Mehne, and Sarah Jennings practice in Jazz Choir class.

**S**tudent actors discover *The Importance of Being Earnest*.





**J**ames Callahan carefully measures out each stroke on his work for printmaking class.

**U**NCP band members Beth Hoover, Heather Oliver, and James Clark bring harmony to the world through their talent and instruments.



**M**uch work in theatre class is done not just on stage, but behind the curtain as well, as can be seen by this hard-working student (left) putting together sets for an upcoming performance.

**T**his music student (center) sings during his Senior Recital in Moore Hall auditorium.



**E**conomics Professor Dr. Edwin Mensah takes time outside of class to converse with a student.

**J**immy takes notes as Dr. Steven Ramey lectures during his Religions of the Far East class.



## Higher Learning

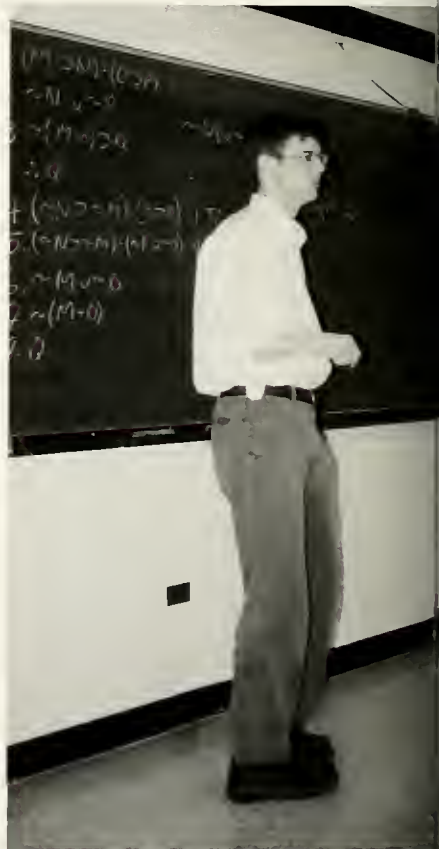
**T**he School of Education, the Psychology Department, and Philosophy and Religion are all part of the new outlooks on life students encounter in higher learning when they enter the Education building. The School of Education allows students to get the best preparation in programs for teachers, administrators, counselors, and other professionals. The Philosophy and Religion Department's Religion courses provide insights for students that can also be applied to literary studies, history, sociology, psychology, and philosophy, while the Philosophy courses analyze questions and concepts about truth, beauty, and goodness. The Psychology and Counseling Department provides understanding of patterns of thought, emotion, and behavior.



ior. Their new faculty member this year was Dr. Shilpa Pai.

The Business Administration (BA) Building is known for the School of Business and also the Sociology, Social Work, and Criminal Justice Department. In addition to undergraduate degrees in Management and Accounting, the School of Business also offers a Master's of Business Administration (MBA). The department offers two options for the MBA program, a day program for the students who want to attend the campus full-time and a night program designed for those who can only come part-time. However all the classes share the same teaching methods and provide students with accurate information.

**N**o fallacy here! Dr. Joe Miller leads his Logic students through a difficult syllogism.





**V**enessa Jones takes time to point out helpful information to her business classmates Melanie Miskovic and Jessie Dobbins.

**E**ducation majors find the Curriculum Lab to be very useful for gathering information and preparing their lesson plans.



**D**r. Patrick Cabe aids his students in visualizing elements of psychology.

**O**utside the Business Building, a breath of fresh air and a good laugh serve Brenda Lathen and Jerein Frazier well.



# Engineering Changes

The new and improved Jones Health and Physical Education Center was dedicated on February 2, 2005. The new building has 16 new offices, three classrooms, a fitness center, and an athletic training facility to serve the students and faculty in the Health, Physical Education, and Recreation (HPER) Department and the university as a whole. "It's a nice addition that has nearly doubled the size of the building," Chancellor Meadors said. Referring to English Jones, for whom the center was named, the chancellor added, "During Chancellor Jones's tenure, he built this University into a true regional University."

The purpose of the HPER department is to inspire the students and educate them in their future job fields of physical education and athletic training. In addition to serving its majors, HPER

offers General Education classes and facilities for interested students, faculty, and staff. There has been one addition to the HPER faculty: Jeff Billington, who is also the new women's volleyball coach.

According to department chair Dr. Tommy Thompson, HPER seeks "to educate individuals about risk factors associated with certain lifestyle choices and provide them with the skills to make behavioral changes that will improve their health and the quality of their lives." This bold statement ensures students that the best is on its way

when they walk into the new building of the Jones Center. Just remember that the new "front" entrance is in what used to be the back of the building!

**S**pot me! These aspiring body builders push themselves to the line in their weight-training class.



**J**ane Fonda watch out! These students get their blood flowing in aerobics class.

**J**abarr Adams stretches out before giving his all in the weight room to get in shape for basketball season.





**M**elissa Wilson uses the weight lifting equipment to prepare for basketball season.



**L**indsay Bartholf concentrates on the basketball drills in the gym.

**A**nnie Prewitt tones her abs in an aerobic dance class.



**D**r. Karen Helgeson, Dan English, and Tara Williamson unwind after a Principles of Literary Studies class in the AV Theater.

**F**inal exams demand the full attention of these Political Science students.



**M**r. Enrique Porrúa answers a quick question about the Spanish exam.

**H**istory Professor Dr. Bruce DeHart shows his enthusiasm about his World Civ. lecture.







**C**laire Secrist and Alicia Jiles use computers in Dial to post on Blackboard.

**A**nne Marie Locklear reviews her paper with University Writing Center tutor Jamie Griffith.



## Return Trip

**I**n the fall of 2004, the newly reconstructed Dial Building had its faculty, students and classes coming back together as one.

The Department of English, Theatre, and Languages had new faculty members for the 2004-2005 school year. Dr. Clara Reyes-Rodriguez joined the Spanish faculty, and Mr. Jason Davis, Ms. Jan Gane, and Mr. Michael Roberts were all new Composition faculty.

The Political Science and Public Administration (PSPA) chair, Dr. Robert Schneider, planned to travel to South Af-

rica during the summer to begin a new faculty exchange with Nelson Mandela University in Port Elizabeth South Africa. The department also added a new faculty member to its staff, Dr. Kevin Freeman. During the fall semester, the first Chinese students in the Master's in Public Administra-

tion program graduated from the University.

Faculty and staff in the History Department and students visiting the Writing Center were also glad to be back in the Dial Building with fresh air and new experiences ahead.



**S**cott Billingsley prompts his class on their next exercise in Political Science.



# MAKING CONNECTIONS



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## ORGANIZATIONS



**A**s students progress through the university, they may come across an organization or an extracurricular activity that is perfectly suited to match their abilities and personalities. Clubs and organizations provide students with the opportunity to make friends and become involved with community services. All of these are reasons why passengers aboard our train should try to find their own niche. Student involvement is a time for personal and social growth. UNC Pembroke offers its passengers a ride that will last a lifetime.

**M**arquita Lilly and Fallon Lord of Zeta Phi Beta enjoy a ride down the slide at the Parents' Weekend celebration.





Student Government Association—Front: Maya Budihardjo, Nicole Gillenwater, Leslie Liszcz, Devrett Griffith, Brock Clinton, Chib Thao; Back: Sipona Wrighten, Dominique Mack, Marko G., Venessa Jones, Jimmy McQuage, Tamikka Gilmore, Chris Adams



Campus Activities Board—Front: Malinda Green, Toneysha Amos, Nicole Gillenwater, Amanda Hickey, Chib Thao; Back: Shanta Shepherd, Tenica McNair, Dominique Mack, Venessa Jones, Erica Moorer, Tyleisha Hunt, Kelly Velez



CAB members get together during the Homecoming pep rally. Even though the parade had to be cancelled due to bad weather, that did not dampen their spirts.

These friends enjoy some time together at the Christmas Semi-Formal, one of the many social events sponsored by CAB during the year.





Teaching Fellows—Members of the Teaching Fellows program participate in trips and other activities to prepare them for their future careers.



Gamma Beta Phi—Members of ΓΒΦ get together in the University Center.



# Representative

Our Student Government Association (SGA) was very aggressive in addressing the concerns of the students. They sponsored or cosponsored a number of campus events, including Homecoming and A Taste of Culture, and they took an active role in voicing student opinion on many issues. The 2004-5 officers for SGA were Venessa Jones (President), Broch Clinton (Vice-President of the Senate), Leslie Liszcz (Secretary), Chib Thao (Treasurer and Interclub Chair), Siporia Wrighten (Community Service Chair), Dominique Mack (Entertainment Chair), Tamikka Gilmore (Food Chair), Chris Adams (Public Relations), and Maya Budihardjo (Student Issues Chair).

The Campus Activities Board (CAB) planned various events for the student body throughout the year. They provided events for students like the weekly movies and a variety of comedians. They also provided decorative ideas for the Christmas Semi-Formal and the Homecoming Semi-Formal.

In its third year on campus, Gamma Beta Phi (ΓΒΦ) was an honorary organization which provided its members with opportunities for community service. The Teaching Fellows program provided scholarships and enrichment activities for selected education majors in exchange for their commitment to teach in North Carolina public schools when they received their degrees.

Venessa Jones, this year's SGA President, helps Jimmy McQuage prepare packages of food for needy families at Thanksgiving.

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UNCP Ambassadors—Front: Charlie Davis, Marvin Andrade Jr.; Middle: Aubrey Ardiente, Jasmine Nixon, Jennifer Henley, Ebony Terry, Alicia Hill; Back: Kristin Mccoy, Heidi Forte, Jennifer Dillon, Ashley Williams, Daniel Young, Ryan Cashwell, LaCinda Ellison, Rachelle Milbank, Rebecca Vogier; Not Pictured: Kelvin Hunt, Cherece Gner, Marquita Lilly, Aleesha Heening, Janet Whitley, Shameicha Wade.



Leadership and Service Opportunities Program—A few of the many LSOP members get together in the UC after a meeting.

# Leadership

The UNCP Ambassadors give campus tours to prospective students and their families and help out at Admissions Office events such as open houses. They are an invaluable part of the Admissions team because they provide the “student perspective” to incoming freshmen and transfer students. The Ambassadors love telling prospective students about UNCP and why they chose to come here.

The Leadership and Service Opportunities Program (LSOP) encouraged students to develop their leadership potential and participate in community service activities such as tutoring, roadside cleanups, blood drives, and literacy projects.

The University Marshals assisted with ticket collection, program distribution, seating, and other tasks during events at the Givens Performing Arts Center and at commencement.

Residential Life staff members maintained a prosperous and comfortable environment for their dormitory residents during the academic year. Residents of the UNCP campus found a home away from home with the help of RAs, RDs and the Dormitory Supervisors.

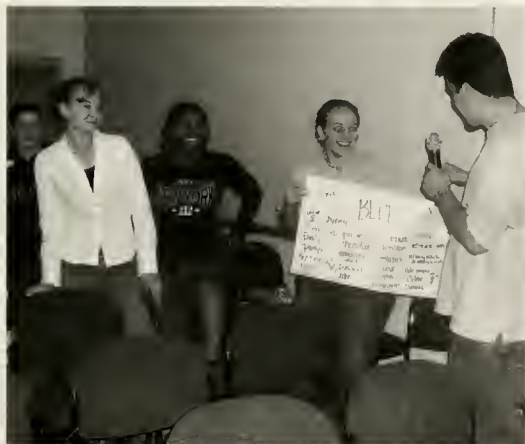
These Marshals have been working for hours at the May 2004 graduation. They're now ready to get out of the sun!





University Marshals—Four of the Marshals who assisted GPAC patrons at the performance of *The Best Little Whorehouse in Texas* take a break in the lobby. (The Marshals don't usually wear cowboy hats, but they seemed appropriate for this show.)

Resident Assistants—RAs and other members of the Residence Life staff are pictured here at the start of the Spring 2005 semester.



This happy LSOP member gladly walks across the stage to receive her diploma. Many showed off their extra-curricular activities through the sashes they wore on graduation.

LSOP members participate in "The Art of Possibility," one of the many activities they were involved in this year.





African American Student Organization—Front: Gregory Reid Jr., Ian Siler, Toneysha Amos, Shanita Shepherd, Middle: Ivorie Hayes, Jennifer Henley, Nicolas Grice, Terica McNair, Malinda Green; Back: Alicia Rich, La'Tanya Hyman, Dominique Mach.



International Student Organization—Jing Gao (Advisor), Jane Simonsen, Vidya Vudaja, Blessing Adeoti, Arthur Mehors, Faidat Onikoy, Yues Bozzi, Sonia Jackson.



International students get together for a taste of American culture—a turkey dinner to celebrate Thanksgiving.







Latin American Student Organization—Front: Joshua Wálcott, Sonia Beckford, Jader Rodríguez, Cidy Sequeira; Back: José Gómez, Gladys Walcott, Michelle Mathis, Ramón Zepeda, Edgar Mendoza, Liliana Wendorff.

Native American Student Organization—A current picture of NASO members was not available.



# Culture

The African American Student Organization (AASO) did community work. During the month of February they had their annual AASO Week, also hosting events celebrating Martin Luther King's birthday.

The International Student Organization's (ISO) main goal is to make international students feel welcome in their new home and give them a taste of what life is like here. This year, they sponsored a trip to Washington, DC, as well as a fundraiser for tsunami relief efforts. They also planned to participate in "Taste of Culture." This year's officers were President Vidya Vudata, Vice President Jane Simonsen, Treasurer Faidat Onikoyi, and Secretary Blessing Adeoti.

The Latin American Student Organization (LASO) offered many activities to educate about Latin culture. Some of the events organized by the group were Latino Fest, Taste of Culture, the Hispanic Film Series, and even story telling in Spanish for elementary students. This year's officers were President Jader Rodriguez, Vice President Cindy Sequeira, Treasurer Jennifer Nuñez, and Secretary Samiya Beckford; Mr. José Gómez was their Faculty Advisor.

The Native American Student Organization (NASO) sponsored the annual Indian Heritage Week events, including an on-campus pow wow attended by many students, faculty, and members of the local community.

Jessica Hunt is among the dancers entering the circle during the annual campus pow wow sponsored by NASO during Indian Heritage Week.





Disabled Students Organization—Front: Jennifer Howell, Leila Mayer, Lenora Parker; Back: Jessica Puckett, Daniel Young, Heather Walters



Geography Bowl Team—Rocky Bilotta, Leslie Liszcz, Jenny Bruns, Eric Williamson, David Parks

# Getting Involved

UNCP's chapter of the NAACP participated in various humanitarian activities such as a blood drive, road clean up, and adopt a family as well as promoting awareness for voter registration and World Aids Day. Officers this year were President Natasha Oris Thomas, Vice President Crica Handon, and PR/Membership Officer LaToya Purdie.

The Geography Bowl team is open to all students regardless of major. This year's team placed third at the State Geography Bowl in Greensboro, and Jenny Bruns received the Undergraduate MVP award. Bruns and her UNCP teammate Eric Williamson were also selected to represent the state at the Southeastern Regional in Biloxi, Mississippi; in that competition, they joined students from four other NC universities to defeat ten other states' teams. Bruns was again the top undergraduate, with Williamson placing fifth. UNCP Provost Roger Brown congratulated them on their accomplishments when they returned to campus, calling them "great role models for increasing global awareness."

The Disabled Students Organization, which is open to all students, continued to be active during its third year on our campus. Members participated in the fall Harmony Walk, held various fundraising events, and worked to recruit new members.

**N**atasha Thomas, Enca Mandon and LaToya Purdie get together in the UC to plan the next NAACP event.





Psychology Club—Front: Ashley Torre, Chandra Graham, Heather Jacobs, Nikki Goodwin; Back: Dr. William Collier, Dr. Beverly King, Jeff Bryan, Kelly Velez.

NAACP—Front: Natasha Thomas, Brittany Taylor, Wyanetta Dunn, LaToya Purdie, Tonya Hill; Back: Robert Canida, Erica Mandon, Venessa Jones, Jeanetta Dunn, Alphonza Thomas.



Members of the Disabled Students organization prepare for the start of the Harmony Walk.

Geography Bowl Team member Jenny Bruns takes a break to socialize with some friends in Old Main.





Biology Club—Front: Sam Swick, Courtney Kilgore, Jeremy Lowry, Dawne Wise, Dr. Leon Jernigan; Back: Salyna Dvorovy, Adria Pontious, Jacob Davis, Dr. Robert Poage, Darlene Montesanti, Sharon Melvin, Leanne Williamson, Mark Hunt, Alexander Asare, Matt Pavlovich, Beth Tyner, Stancey Brayboy, Sarah Brown.



Chemistry and Physics Club—Beth Ransom, Adam Nobles, Ben, Leanna Carter, Shannon Starck, Eric Duncan, Kristen Arnett, Robbie Stebbins, Arienne Myers, Christina Yamamoto, Maureen Sikes, Brian Bachner, Megan Grimsley, Ryan Rodriguez, Kizzy Thompson.



**T**ara Larsen and James Evans of the Chemistry and Physics Club demonstrate glucose testing to visitors at the NC Museum of Natural Sciences during National Chemistry Week 2004.

**B**iology Club members help with roadside cleanup on Union Chapel Road during October 2004.





Health Careers Club—Eric Scott, Marian Forsberg, Rachel Loflin, Sharon Strickland, Megan Grimsley, Bryan Howington, Amy Allen, Benjamin McMillan, Shereka Blue, Jeremy Demery, Carla Monds, Shannon Hershberger, Justin Deese, Erica Dellinger, Matthew Dial, Akhil Hegde, Marvin Andrade, Jr., Deidra Dial, Kimberly McKenzie, Catherine Hogan, Kayse Edwards

Science Education Club—Brian Thompson, Abbie Lundy, Kelly Tripp, Darlene Montesanti.



# Discovery

The Biology Club in October had an outing to North Carolina 200 and two overnight canoe/kayak trips—one along the Lumber River and the other in Swansboro along the coastal portion of the state. Community service activities included a roadside clean-up along Union Chapel Road in October and volunteer work at the Carnivore Preservation Trust in Pittsboro. Also, in Spring 2005 some of the club members attended the Annual Convention of the Association of Southeastern Biologists. Biology Club officers this year were President Courtney Kilgore, Vice President Sam Swick, Secretary Sarah Brown, and Treasurer Kristin Vaughan.

The Health Careers Club aids students in planning and understanding careers in the field of health and wellness. Serving as officers for this academic year were President Crystal Hall, Vice Presidents Marvin Andrade Jr. and Jason Smith, Secretaries Carey Barez and Akhil Hedge, and Treasurer Sharon Strickland; their Advisor was Sylvia T. Johnson.

The Chemistry and Physics Club is an organization for chemistry and physics majors with a 3.0 GPA who are dedicated to the interests of chemistry and physics. A community service event they participated in was called "Beyond the Elements: Making Elemental Care," which in October involved members planting flowers and placing pumpkins and birdhouses on the grounds of Sampson's Rest Home in Pembroke for the residents to enjoy. Officers of

Future scientists spend long hours in labs perfecting their skills; the new facilities available in the Oxendine Science Building make the experience more pleasant.

this year's Chemistry and Physics club were President James Evans, Vice President Brian Bahner, and Secretary/Treasurer Megan Grimsley.





Accounting Student Association—Front: Ron Emanuel, Ashley Lowry, Mark Marcum, Shanta Shepherd; Back: Crystal Caton, Angela Reneau, Jin Lin.




Campus Assn. of Social Workers—Front: Cynthia Lowery, Marquitta Patterson, Terrance Colligan, Ashley Person, Christin Cyrus, Alicia Jones, Darius Parker; Middle: Debra Branch, Roy Mayhew, Walter Morris, Doretta Jacobs, Nicole Wilson, Adnanna Chavis, Alisha Pittman, Kimberly Saubach, Shenyetta Graham; Back: Michirena Lowery, Grant Baldwin, Brenda Lathen, Susi Hawkens, Darrell Brown, Anna McMillian, Jenein Frazier.

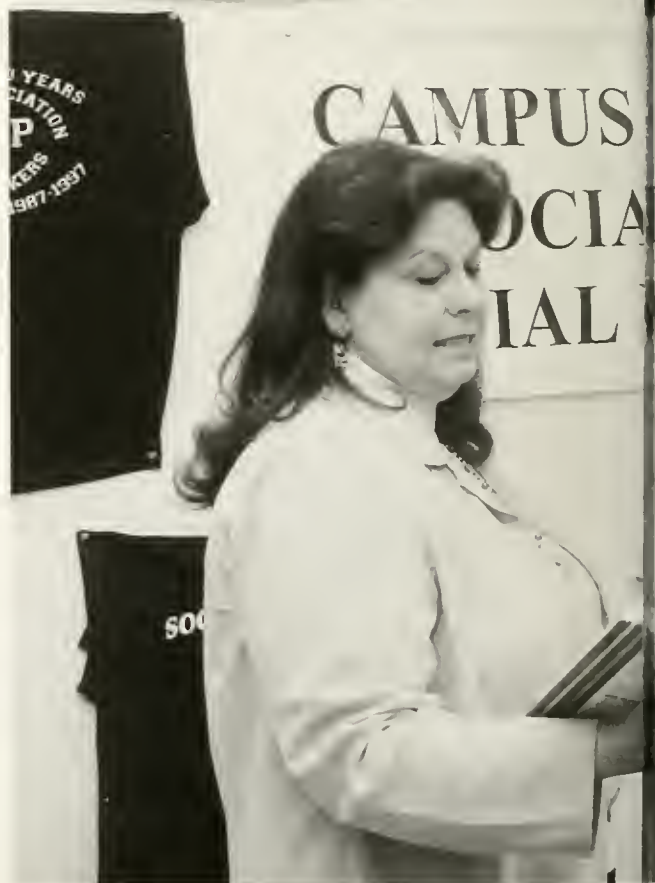
# Business Leaders

This year the Accounting Student Association sponsored a can drive for a local food closet to help the unfortunate during the holidays. The club also raised money for their annual scholarship awarded to an accounting major to pay for textbooks. The club took a trip to Washington, DC, during spring break to learn about different accounting careers. This year's officers were President Crystal Caton, Vice President Angela Reneau, Treasurer Cheryl Joseph, and Secretary/Membership Officers Candice Balloue and Frances Hunt; Their Advisor was Sharon Bell.

The Campus Association of Social Workers (CASW) held a food drive at Thanksgiving and helped paint and clean up at the Horizon Point Child Advocacy Center. They also sponsored their annual Social Work Symposium on March 24. This year's officers were President Sherry Oxendine, Vice President Kim Shaubach, Treasurer Alicia Pittman, and Secretary Candice Clark.

Students in Free Enterprise (SIFE) met twice a week to discuss business. This year SIFE sponsored various community services such as Junior Achievement and the Financial Awareness Project. Officers were President Christy Blue, Vice President Genevieve Lebeau, Treasurers David Jones and Angela Canon, and Secretary Telisa Goins; their Advisor was Cammie Hunt.

ampus Association of Social Workers member Cynthia Lowery discusses an assignment with another member.





**Criminal Justice Club**—Front: Ivorie Hayes, Kala Brammer, Shay Evans; Middle: Darlene Derrick, Elizabeth Vasquez, Darlene Ford, Clarisse Wilson, Heidie Norris, Dr. Mario Paparozzi; Back: Phillip Harley, Mansa Rodriguez, Athaleah D. Bailey, Nikki Miller.

**Students In Free Enterprise**—Front: Sarah Parker, Telisa Goins, Chnsty Blue, Genevieve LeBeau, Lee Nejberger; Middle: Danaka Bunch, Justin Hadley, Shruti Sheth, Angela Cannon, Cammi Hunt; Back: Jimmie Peterson, Bryant Morgan, Jimmy McQuage, James Branch, Erik Nordmark, Shaun Sledge.



**O**fficers of the Campus Association of Social Workers—Sherry Oxendine, Alisha Pittman, Candice Clark, Kimberly Shanbach and Anna McMillian—gather by the bulletin board used to publicize the group's activities.

**S**tudents in Free Enterprise like Chnsty Blue (left) are a visible presence in the BA Building.





University Honors College—Hannah Harrell, Barbara Jacobson, Jonathan Shiffert, Candice Gooch, Kelly Griffith, Shannon Hauck, Nate Humphrey, and Yoshi Yung attend the 2004 SRHC Conference in Wilmington.



Sigma Tau Delta—Nathan Graham, Jamie Griffith, Mark Schulman. Not Pictured: Jesse Peters (Advisor)



Honnors College director Dr. Carolyn Thompson enjoys refreshments with Hannah Harrell and Andrea Winter in the group's office in Old Main after their annual Research Symposium in Spring 2004.

These Tri-Beta members show that even serious scientists can take time out for socializing and having fun.







Tri-Beta—Front: La'Tanya Keels, Mary Zets, Jessica Ciokan, and Adria Pontious; Back: Rebecca Blankenship, Alison McNamara, Barbara Jacobson, Andrea Winter, Cherece Ciner, Le'Anna Quick, Ramsey Arram, Courtney Kilgore, Carey Barez, Tracy Armstrong.

Student Athlete Advisory Council—Front: Lindsay Bartholf, Alicia Hill, Jessica Furlough, Lauren Lingenfelter, Melina Sauvage; Second: Rikki Cockrell, Adriana Yanez, Tasha Stotler, Mallory Wegmann, Tiffany Wright, Brittany Garrison; Third: Ebony Terry, Tyler Keith, Mike Zindros, Shannon Gentry, Lewis Polley, Tripp Lockhart; Back: Jackie Bower, Frank Foster, Anthony Crank, Jeff Moody, Erin Rowley.



# Over the Top

**B**eta Beta Beta is a National Biological Honor Society whose purpose is to encourage research in the biological sciences. Tri Beta's officers this academic year were President Adria Pontious, Vice President Barbara Jacobson, Secretaries La'Tanya Keels and Jessica Ciokan, Historian Becca Blankenship, and Treasurer Meg Zets.

Sigma Tau Delta, the International English Honor Society, was dedicated to helping exceptional students and advancing the study of language and literature. Their semesterly poetry readings aided in the development of skills in creative writing. Members promoted literacy by helping to collect children's books for SGA's Literacy Campaign. Sigma Tau Delta also began planning and fundraising to sponsor a writer to speak next year. Officers were President Jamie Griffith, Vice Presidents Nathan Graham and Mark Schulman, and Faculty Advisor Dr. Jesse Peters.

The Student Athlete Advisory Committee (SAAC) promotes efficient communication in the athletic department, encourages more involvement by student athletes, and implements programs of academic awareness. This year, its members donated canned goods to the Robeson County Church and Community Center at Christmas, held a drug seminar, and showed unity by obtaining Braves armbands for student athletes to wear on National Student Athlete Day.

The University Honors College promoted the scholarly and personal growth of outstanding students by offering an intellectually stimulating social environment, greater

**L**auren Lingenfelter, Tiffany Wright and Mallory Wegmann turn around and give us a smile after an SAAC meeting.

curricular flexibility, and closer interaction with individual faculty members in the College.





**Pep Band**—Front: Ashley Smith, Kristina Mumma, Michelle Lanm, Ashley Haynes, Stacy McCaskill, Tim Sanders; Second: Andrew Gore, Ashley Davis, Aleisha Pittman, Joseph Oxendine; Third: Abigail Barton, Josh Hunt, Emily Smith, Anna Bunn, Melissa Henson, Chris Pittman; Back: Justin Jacobs, Jacob Odom, Lem Stanley, Jason Arnett, Jeremy Powell.



**University Players**—Daniel Graves, Ryan Kelly, P.J. Gajda, Morgan Lucas, Kate Donovan, Amanda Jeanne Chambers, Marty Anderson, Ryan Songer, Oliver Forde, Julie M. Smith, Ian Hairston, Megan Volz, Kimberly Fielder, Charlnita Boddie, Amy Cox, Jennifer Collins, Curtis Henderson, Estella Fatima Johnson, Cody Newsome, Stephen Roberts

# Performance

The SAI Colony, formerly known as UNCP Music Women, participated in several activities this year, such as the All District Band Festival, volunteering as ushers, and painting the Moore Hall performing stage that has held many of their members during astounding performances throughout the years. These young ladies work hard, one song at a time, to continue being leaders in the musical world. Their officers were President Anna N. Bunn, Vice Presidents Crystal Hall and Ashley Davis, Treasurer Ashley Smith, and Secretaries Sarah Jennings and Heather Scarboro. The group's Advisors were Danisha Sanders, Robin Lynn Frye, Camille DeVaney, and Lynn Blake.

Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia ( $\Phi\text{M}$ ) ushered events at Moore Hall, cosponsored the UNCP honors band, and commissioned a piano concerto in honor of a deceased member. The fraternity also hosted a social gathering with Pi Lambda Upsilon and showed their school spirit by participating in Homecoming. The officers of Phi Mu Alpha this academic year were President Christopher P. Pittman, Vice President J. David Crow, Jr., Treasurer James A. Clark, Jr., and Secretary Lemuel K. Stanley; serving as Advisor was Dr. Larry D. Arnold.

The University Players staged two major productions at the GPAC: Oscar Wilde's *The Importance of Being Earnest* in the fall and *The Foreigner* in the spring.

James Clark and another  $\Phi\text{M}$  member get ready to drum up the crowd's spirit during Homecoming.





Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia—Front: Jacob Johnson, Aaron Mabe, Ronnie Ingold, Joseph Oxendine, Andrew Gore, Chris Pittman, Jason Arnett, James Clark; Middle: John Luntz, Jeremiah Sampson, Derick Byron, Chase Dimery, Leuk Stanley, David Crow, Jason Bullock; Back: Kameron Staten, Larry Arnold, Daren Sellers, Brian Hansen; Not Pictured: James Oxendine, Jerald McDougad.

SAI Colony—Front: Beth Hoover, Stacy McCaskill; Middle: Aleisha Pittman, Ashley Amith, Ashley Davis, Anna Bunn, Crystal Mall, Kristina Momma, Heather Scarboro; Back: Dwan Hayes, Michelle Lamm, Camille DeVaney, Robin Lynne Frye, Denisha Sanders, Sunni Stewart, Kristen Parker, Sarah Jennings, Andrea McDowell.



Concert Band members entertain the participants and audience at the December 2004 Commencement.

ecily (Amanda Jeanne Chambers) isn't sure that Algie (Daniel Graves) is earnest enough in the University Players' production of *The Importance of Being Earnest*.





Air Force ROTC—Front: Sarah Blough; Middle: Rico Doughtry, Cadet Freeman, Jamie Gurganis, Jeremy Adams; Back: John Slotji, Cadet Barbee, Willie Slaughter, John McAllister, Justin Byrum.



Army ROTC—Front: Yun Choe, Shannon Kirscheniter, Ike Singletary, Shelley Ray, Brandon McClain, Lauren Merkel, Robert Kennedy, Celdrick Barton, Ivan Tapia; Middle: MSG. Johnny Torre, Andrea Miyagi, Matthew Bowling, Ben Secrist, Michael McMillan, Larrie Thomas, Tim Kang, Adam Bryant, Justin Holt; Back: Ashley Weaver, Steven Oxendine, Brandon Oxendine, Terrel Jones, Shaun Fetzer, Elliot Hunt, Yong Choe.



Air Force ROTC members provide a color guard during the Homecoming basketball game.

Members of the Young Democrats meet Kate Edwards after she spoke at UNCP during the fall 2004 Presidential campaign.





College Republicans Officers: Leila Hicks, Amanda Blackwood, Wyatt Phillips, Laura Warwick.



Young Democrats—Front: Lauren Scroggins, Toni Burleson; Back: Brandon Knight, Ken Creque, Thomas Mann, Dr. Charles Beem (Advisor).



# Defending Democracy

Politics can be divisive, but election time on the UNCP campus was marked by a bi-partisan effort to encourage voter registration as the College Republicans and Young Democrats set up tables in the UC, allowing students to learn more about the nominees as well as register to vote. This year's officers of the College Republicans were Chairperson Leila Hicks, Vice Chairperson Amanda Blackwood, Secretary Wyatt Phillips, and Public Relations Officer Laura Warwick. The Young Democrats also sponsored speakers such as Kate Edwards, the daughter of Vice-Presidential nominee John Edwards, and Mike McIntyre to address UNCP students and answer questions. Thomas Mann served as the organization's president during this academic year.

Army and Air Force ROTC trained young men and women for the real world. Through combat exercises, physical training, and leadership developmental classes, these cadets reached for a new-found excellence. AFROTC cadets got into formation every week during lab to review marching procedures and later gained academic knowledge of international affairs in the classroom. AROTC cadets participated in the always-enjoyable early morning physical training exercises. These future men and women of the armed services also volunteered in a number of community service

Cadets from Army ROTC take a break from their afternoon training exercises.

activities and could always be found showing patriotism during color guard ceremonies.





APPLE Corps—Walter Morris, Wendy Darwin, Jenn Howell, Carrie Preston.



Baptist Student Union—Front: Sara Anastasio, BJ Sanders, Ron Sanders, Ernest Pruitt, Sonye Pruitt; Second: Jeaneta Dunn, Nick Parsons, Chris Golden, Ryan Tingle; Third: Chris Owens, Breanna Agey, Allison Kerr, Danielle Dark, Aleisha Pittman, Leila Mayer, Kathryn Hutton, Rachel Oke, Beth Hoover, Mandy Pynchan; Fourth: Alia Langdon, Kimmie, Amy Hayes, Daniel Whitney, Brandon Knight, Gladys Walcott, David Harris; Back: Amanda McDonald, Jeremy Adams, Joel Beachum.

# Uplifting

The Association of Pembroke Peer Leaders and Educators, better known as APPLE Corps, provided various workshops and health screenings for its campaign to promote wellness. Activities included programs about safe sex, STDs, and drunk driving. The Corps also organized an HIV awareness walk around campus. This year's officers included President Carrie Preston and Vice President Wendy Darwin.

The UNCP Gospel Choir, also known as the Voices of Serenity, is a committee of the African-American Student Organization. In November 2004, they participated in the National Collegiate Music Conference; the group also participated in several ministry opportunities at local churches as well as on campus. In the spring of 2005, the choir had a Spring Revival. The ensemble's director was Ian Siler, and the secretary was Jennifer Henley.

Members of the Baptist Student Union had a busy school year with weekly activities and mission activities. Each Tuesday, BSU-ers gathered for Tuesday Night Celebration (TNC) which brought students together in music, fellowship, worship and learning. Every other Wednesday, commuter students were treated to commuter lunch, which is a fundraiser for mission opportunities. In the fall and spring, BSU held its penny races for missions. That is when students raise money (boys versus girls) for the BSU. At Christmas time, students went Christmas caroling as an outreach to the community. Mission trips during the year included Charleston, New York, and the Philippines.

Jeremy Adams and Kimmie participate in one of the many activities provided for students by the BSU.





United Ministries—Front: Siporia Wrighten, Derrick Montgomery, Ms. Jones, Joseph Waring; Middle: Sunni Stewart, Kerri Green; Back: Jennifer Henley, Marquette Malloy, Johnny Whitaker.

Voices of Serenity Gospel Choir—Front: LaCinda Ellison, Ian Siler; Middle: Sharia Shepherd, George Coates, LaTanya Hyman, Toneysha Amos, Maggie Tillman; Back: Bridget Bullock, Chika Okonlewo, Tenica McNair, Siporia Wrighten, Christopher Adams, LaToya Stinson; Not Pictured: Nicholas Grice.



**L**ift every voice and sing! Members of the Voices of Serenity do just that at the BSU House.

**B**SU members and friends TJ Parsons, Ernest Pruitt, Sonya Pruitt, Joel Beachum, and Nick Parsons show their school spirit as they get ready for the Homecoming basketball game.





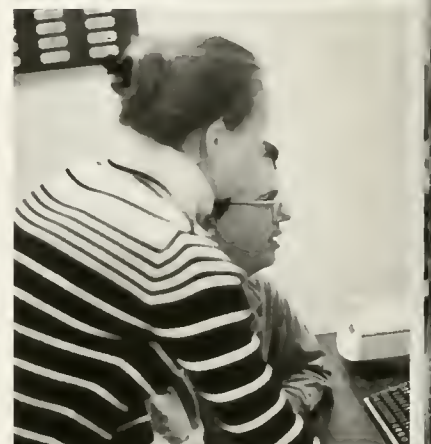
*The Aurochs*—Front: Karen Helgeson (Advisor), Jenny Teague (Co-Editor), Nathan Graham (Co-Editor); Back: Daniela Newland, Leslie Liszcz, Mark Schulman



*Indianhead*—Front: Candice Gooch, Cotina S. Ames, Andrea Patawaran-Hickman, Jennifer Key, Jamie Griffith; Back: Sara Oswald (Advisor), Toneysha Amos, Nicole McDonald, Faidar Onikoyi, Joel Beachum, Nathan Graham.



**F**ebruary, not April, is the cruellest month for the yearbook staff as they work to meet their final deadline. Jeshannah Ayala, Crystal Locklear, Nicole Graham, Sara Oswald, Amanda Lmebarger, and Nicole McDonald (above) and Editor Cotina Ames (nghi) put in long hours in the yearbook office to get the remaining pages ready for submission.

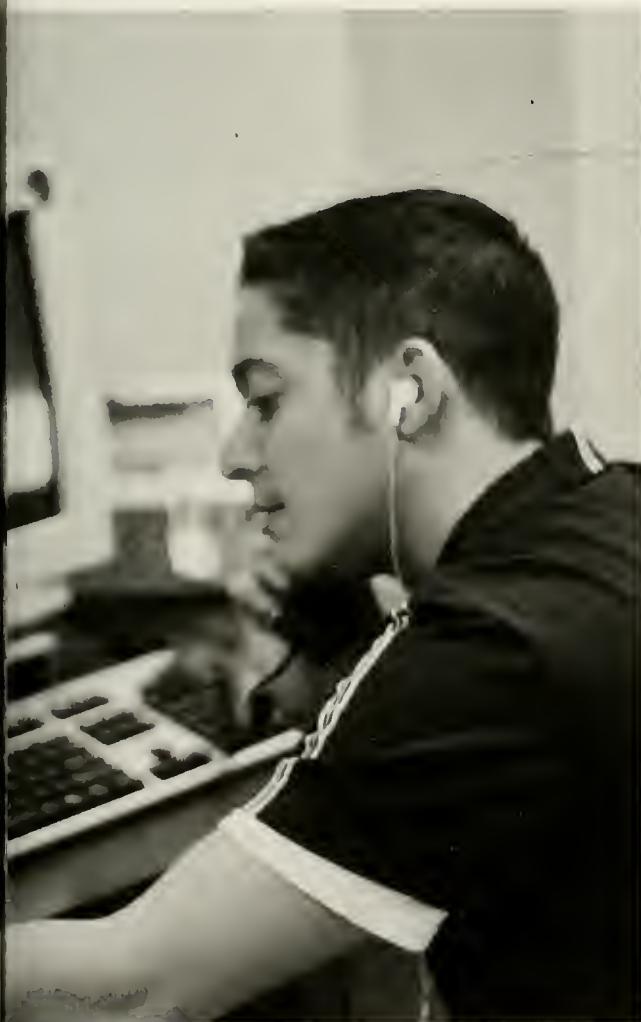






*The Pine Needle*—Front: Kelly Griffith, Brian Beck, Temika Bobbitt, Adam Fenwick, Mark Schulman; Middle: Ariel Houchens, Amanda Hicky, Allen Chase, Scott Ammons, Myra Frederick, Tasia Bobbitt, Taraya Beck Banks, Joel Beachum; Back: Dan Kelly, Britany Adderly, Dr. Judy Curtis, Lars Daniel, Stanland Bryant, Lee Whitworth, Megan Todd.

WNCPTV—Front: Chns Frease, Jeff Meunier, Natabie N Baker, Marshall Ash, David Greene Jr., Ransom Walters III, Second Row: Edward John, Marta Anderson, Julie Hutson, India Dukas, Erin Berry, Angela Collie, Melina Savage, David Ortiz, Liliana P. Cáceres, Wyatt Phillips, Carlos Kelly, Earl Jordan, Michael Washington Jr., Josh Quiss; Third Row: J. Markus Franklin, Phoenix Locklear, Kyle Orozovich, Michael Watson, Jason Bullock, Jeshannah Ayala, Allen Barfield, Oliver Forde, Ryan Kelly; Fourth Row: Teraya Banks, Jamaí Whites, Mitze Maynor, Britany Adderly; Back: Lawrence Johnson, Rollie Boone, Scott Ammons, Matt Dichiaro, John Jones, Camron Rawls, Nathan Blocker, Matthew Heckel.



# Press-ure

Publishing its fifth issue, *The Aurochs* literary magazine provided a voice to student writers. The magazine, which is composed solely of student-produced work, is fast becoming a tradition as it continues to gain steam as a publication. Co-Editors Nathan Graham and Jenny Teague, faculty advisor Dr. Karen Helgeson, Assistant Editor Mark Schulman, and students in the magazine production class worked together to produce the Spring 2005 issue, which included poetry, fiction, and art.

*The Pine Needle*, the biweekly student newspaper, continued to build from last year's progress, retaining leadership from faculty advisor Dr. Judy Curtis and Chris Nicolini, who served as editor from the spring of 2004 until his graduation in December, when Kelly Griffith took on the role of editor. In addition to the print version of the newspaper, web editor Lisa Tyndall oversaw the continuation of the new web version from last year. Todd Luck also received an award for his editorial cartoons.

The other major student publication, the *Indianhead* yearbook you are now reading, started the year with co-editors Cotina Ames and Andrea Patawaran-Hickman. In the Spring, Cotina Ames became sole editor and saw the book through to the end of the line.

Chris Nicolini, Editor of *The Pine Needle* in Fall 2004, works on one of his last issues before graduating in December, while Kelly Griffith (inset), who took over as Editor in Spring 2005, consults with Todd Luck about one of his award-winning editorial cartoons.



# ΑΦΑ ΑΠΩ ΚΑΨ



Alpha Phi Alpha—Raji Johnson, Gená Oxendine, Terell Jones, Grant Baldwin

## Greek Pride

**A**lpha Phi Alpha (ΑΦΑ) Fraternity, Inc., was founded almost 100 years ago as the first intercollegiate Black fraternity. The brothers of the UNCP chapter were active this year in Project Alpha; they collected donations for tsunami victims and held a domestic violence seminar. Officers were Chapter President Gena Oxendine, Vice President Terell Jones, Recording Secretary Raji Johnson, and Recording Treasurer and Asst. Area 2 Director Grant Baldwin. Baldwin had the privilege of introducing Cornel West, noted author and professor and an ΑΦΑ member, when he spoke at the GPAC on February 24.

The sisters of Alpha Pi Omega (ΑΠΩ) participated in the Relay for Life in Scotland County and celebrated Hok Nosai Week with the members of Phi Sigma Nu; they were also involved in various other community service activities. Their officers this year were President Jennifer McNeill, Vice President Sabrina Corona, Secretary Stephanie Hora, and Treasurer Leslie Taylor.

The officers of Kappa Alpha Psi (ΚΑΨ) were president Pierre Dottery, Vice President Parris Dottery, Treasurer Justin Cory Locklear, and Secretary Waco Douglas Jr. They sponsored various events during Kappa Week and were active in a number of service activities.

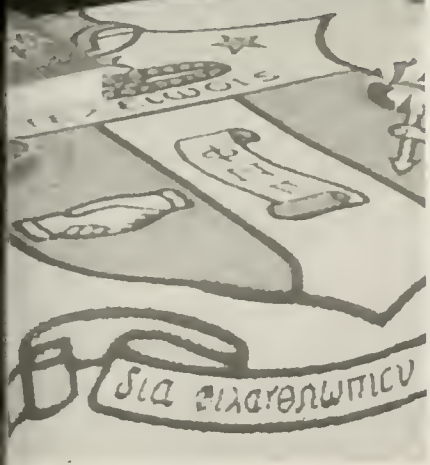
**C**orey Locklear and Waco Douglas Jr. hope their charm attracts eager new members for their fraternity, ΚΑΨ, during Spring Rush.





Alpha Pi Omega—Front: Reneé Quick, Leslie Taylor, Sabrina Corona; Back: Casey Foster, Jennifer McNeill, Kari Dial, Stephanie Hora, April Oxendine.

Kappa Alpha Psi—Corey Locklear, Pierre Dottery, Parris Dottery, Waco Douglas Jr.



**T**hese Alpha Pi Omega sisters show their sorority spirit with big smiles for the camera.

**D**ressed to impress, **ΚΑΨ** members Gena Oxendine, Raji Johnson, and Grant Baldwin walk with style.



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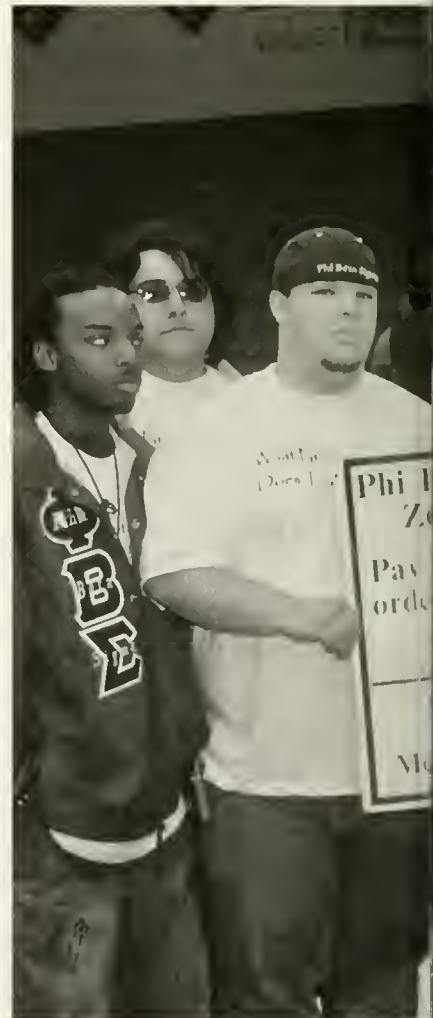


Lambda Theta Alpha—Front: Jeshannah Ayala, Gladys Walcott, Sharon Sanchez, Genevieve Lebeau, Toni Barreto; Back: Joanna Guerrero, Christelle Lebeau, Tracy Rivas, Jessica Ortiz-Carrera



**L**ovely ladies of Lambda Theta Alpha Rachel Serrano, Jeshannah Ayala, Christelle Lebeau, and Genevieve Lebeau get together with outgoing Miss UNCP 2004, fellow LTA Jessica Ortiz-Carrera, after performing as dancers in the 2005 Miss UNCP Scholarship Pageant.

**Q**-Dawgs Ronald "Juice" Greedly and Ron Weathers, members of Omega Psi Phi fraternity, strike a pose in front of UNCP's water feature.





Omega Psi Phi—Milton Swinnie, Ronald "Juice" Greedy, Ron Weathers; Not Pictured: Alphonza Thomas.

Phi Beta Sigma—Front: Darrell Brown, George Coates, Time Sanders, Edward John; Second: Jaron Catheart, Andrew Barajay, Rafael Torres, Marques Goodwin, Marvin Jacobs; Third: Cedrick Barton, Jamal Whitted, Cedric Turne, Micheal Lavender; Back: Treco Jacon.



# Philanthropy

The sisters of Lambda Theta Alpha (Λ) participated in the Latino Fest on October 13, providing a taste of Hispanic culture on campus. They also planned to hold a Cinco de Mayo celebration to share this traditional Mexican holiday with the entire campus. Community service activities included helping out at the Very Special Arts Festival; participating in the Harmony Walk; and involvement in the Save-A-Life Tour, Riverway, and Blood Sport. Officers were President Christelle Lebeau, Vice President Jessica Ortiz, Treasurer Rachel Mills, and Secretary Jessica Mullens.

The brothers of the "Mighty" Chi Mu (Χ) chapter of Omega Psi Phi (Ω), "Home of the Woodshop," hosted a blood drive and an economic seminar in November. They also hosted the Miss Purple and Gold Scholarship Pageant and a national high school essay contest. Other service activities included visits to senior citizens in rest homes and work with Habitat for Humanity.

The brothers of Phi Beta Sigma (Φ) participated in blood drives, community clean-ups, school work projects, the Boys and Girls Club, the East Coast Step Show, and the Pan Showcase. So the fraternity was pretty busy with community service work and participating in various shows around North Carolina. The officers of Phi Beta Sigma this year were President Marques Goodwin, Vice President Darrell Brown, Treasurer Drew Davis, and Secretary Jamal Withed.

The gentlemen of Phi Beta Sigma fraternity donate a generous check of \$1,500 to the UNCP foundation at the Homecoming basketball game.



# ΦΚΤ ΦΝΣ ΠΛΥ



Phi Kappa Tau—Front: Grant Racz, David Parks, Erik Nogard, Sean Burkett; Middle: John Bednat, Doug Thompson, Patrick Rehder, Andrew Elliot, Matt Chambers; Back: Odell Brown, Ryan Revier, Joe Evans

## Unity

**P**hi Kappa Tau (ΦΚΤ) has been very busy this year with tutoring and mentoring young middle school children with the Support Our Students (SOS) program at Pembroke Middle School. They also reached out to students by volunteering their time in athletics and encouraging them to pursue their education. The fraternity also sponsored an Alcohol Awareness Meeting for our student body with speaker Donna Payne and helped Alumni Relations with mass mailings on campus to build a good relationship with the university. Phi Kappa Tau also participates in Road-Side Cleaning events each semester off of University Drive to support a clean environment. Their officers were President Doug Thompson, Vice President Grant Racz, Treasurer Patrick Render, and Secretary David Parks.

Although Phi Sigma Nu (ΦΣ) is unofficially a Native American fraternity, they admitted anyone who could live up to the responsibility and privilege of being with the fraternity. This year they took on the community service activities of the Big Brother Reading Club, aid to the elderly, and food drives. Social events they were involved in included pow wows, sponsorships, and fundraisers. This year's officers of Phi Sigma Nu were President Cecil Locklear, Vice President Clifton Dial, Treasurer Daniel Jacobs, Secretary Bryan Graham, and Advisor Kay Jacobs.

In addition to all-male fraternities like ΦΚΤ and ΦΣ, UNCP also had a coed fraternity, Pi Lambda Upsilon (ΠΧ). The Pi Lambs were active in many social and service activities.

**P**hi Kappa Tau members Doug Thompson, John Bednat, and Richard Brenner use their strong sense of unity to attract new members during Rush.





Phi Sigma Nu—Front: Clifton Dial, Britton Mercer, Cecil Locklear, Jonathan Graham; Middle: Kelvin Sutton Adam Clark, John Jacobs, Neal Frazier, J. R. Taylor, Brandon Godaire; Back: Daniel Jacobs, Bryan Graham

Pi Lambda Upsilon—Front: Jennifer Clary, Cathleen Waters, Felicia Manqum; Middle: Kate Connely, Jennifer Tulluh, Kirsten Robb, Mandy Jeffries, Marris Cox, Kelly Stein, Michael Smith; Back: Gary Rogers, Brandon Hall, Matt Greenslade, Matt Green, Alex Forbis.



**M**att Green, Kate Connely and Marissa Cox show off their brotherly and sisterly love as the co-ed fraternity looks to recruit new members during Rush Week.



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Sigma Sigma Sigma—Front: Shanell Hinchy, Ashley Russell, Lana Boone, Colette Pond, Ashley Smith; Middle: Carly Greeson, Mia Tate Lindsay Ritzmann, Lauren Newsome, Shannon Mc Lean, Katherine Greer; Back: Lisa Stewart, Corrine Raybuck, Christina Fiorentino, Stephanie Cash, Amber Ehlers, Ashley Wood, Brittany Garrison, Tracy Creque; Not pictured: Cindy Sanchez, Abby Sessoms, Lauren Hardin



**T**ri-Sigas show true sisterhood as Corrine Raybuck, Ashley Wood and Julie Tobias staff the sorority's table during Spring Rush.

**S**ome TKE brothers get together outside the men's dorms at the start of the Fall 2004 semester.







Tau Kappa Epsilon—Front: David Lynch, Chris Morgan, Korey Revel; Middle: James Drummond, Anthony Hunt, Kevin McCormick, David Jones; Back: Devon Dial, Forrest Sizemore.

Theta Kappa—Front: Emma McLaughlin, Jennifer Odum; Middle: Adrenne Evans, Erin Schmidt, April Harper, and Simonee Gonzalez; Back: Annette Hagans, Jessica Carter, Deidra Dial, Luciana Hammonds, Joyce Chavis.



# Carpe Diem

The Tri-Sigmas ( $\Sigma$ ) this year participated in Greek Week and Miss UNCP to name a few of the events that they were involved in. Also, the sisters of Sigma Sigma Sigma visited the Children's Ward at the Chapel Hill Hospital for play therapy with the children and donated more than half of their dues to the Sigma Sigma Sigma Foundation which funds day cares, toys, etc., for hospitals in need of these things. Officers of Sigma Sigma Sigma were President Katherine Greer, Vice President Courtney Jones, Secretary Corrine Raybuck, Treasurer Stephanie Cash, Pan-Hellenic Chair Mia Tate, Rush Chair Cara Glick, and Education Chair Cindy Sanchez.

Coming back to campus after a year-long probation, the brothers of Tau Kappa Epsilon ( $\text{TK}\epsilon$ ) sponsored a golf tournament in November. Their community service this year involved Habitat for Humanity, the Boys and Girls Club, and a charity known as Heart Walk. This year's officers were President Chad Barber, Vice President Forest Sizemore, Secretary Marcus Stanaland, Treasurer David Jones, Chaplain Devon Dial, and Education Advisor Cory Lowery.

The sisters of Theta Kappa ( $\text{TK}\theta$ ) continued to be active on campus this year, participating in roadside cleanup, assisting charities for cancer victims, and holding a Margaritaville mixer with  $\text{TK}\theta$ . Officers included President and Panhellenic Rep.

April Harper and Jennifer Odum show how Theta Kappa has fun during Rush Week.

Jennifer Carter, Vice President and Treasurer Emma McLaughlin, and Secretary Simonee Gonzalez.



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Theta Xi—Austin Hobbs, Henry Martin, Theo Robich, Buddy Currie, Brian Allen, David McGee, Mark Naszady, Matt Hilliard, Steve McCausley, Jeremy McKinney, Kevin Gabelmann, Jason Rapolla, Stephen Suetlovics

# Loyalty

Every October, the brothers of Theta Xi (Θ Ξ) help manage a Haunted House that raises over \$8,000 for a juvenile rehabilitation program in Lumberton. This fraternity is also a leader in Homecoming events and alumni activities and ends the academic year with a semi-formal in April. Officers were President Austin Hobbs, Vice President Henry Martin, Treasurer Theor Robich, Senior Stewardt Buddy Currie, Junior Stewardt Brian Allen, Secretary David McGee, and Scholarship Officer Mark Naszady.

Zeta Phi Beta (Ζ Φ Β) sponsored blood drives and roadside clean up and also participated in the Boys and Girls Club. They went on nursing home visits and tutored young children throughout the county. The lovely ladies celebrated their Finer Womanhood Week February 27<sup>th</sup>- March 5<sup>th</sup>. The ladies sponsored celebrations for social events such as Black History Month, March of Dimes, Breast Cancer Awareness, and the Martin Luther King Jr. Celebration. Their officers were President Shakeeta Spears, Vice President Marquita Lily, Treasurer Shekila Mechior, and Secretary Tamikka Gilmore.

The sisters of Zeta Tau Alpha (Ζ Τ Α) sponsored this year's Homecoming dance. They also were sponsors for the Lacey Gane golf tournament. The Zetas held a penny drive as well as a car wash to help raise money for charities. These ladies participated in activities such as Race for the Cure and have done several volunteer jobs for the Robeson Home as well as the Odom Home. The sorority's officers were President Emily Koonce, Vice Presidents Rachel Sudderth and Jessica Polmann, Treasurer Janet Sanford, and Secretary Nicole Needham.

Sisters of Zeta Tau Alpha show their spirit while sharing photos of their sorority's group activities with potential pledges.





Zeta Phi Beta—Front: Fallon Lord, Skekila Melchior, Aleesha Herring; Middle: Marquita Lilly, Christina Ward, Shakeeta Spears; Back: Tamiyeka Gilmore, Terry Stewart.

Zeta Tau Alpha—Front: Jessica Berrier, Alyson Bernava; Middle: Nicole Needham, Maya Budihardjo, Telisa Goins, Amber Jackson, Jessica Polmann, Jamie Richardson; Back: Rachel Sudderth, Margery Faulk, Robin Connolly, Amanda Chavis, Mandi Westphal; Not pictured: Morgan Hunt, Kaleena Sampson Emily Koonce, Kathryn Looney, Chandra Glotzbach, Annie Woodruff, Janet Sanford, Laura Reid, Ciji Brooks, Jennifer Robinson

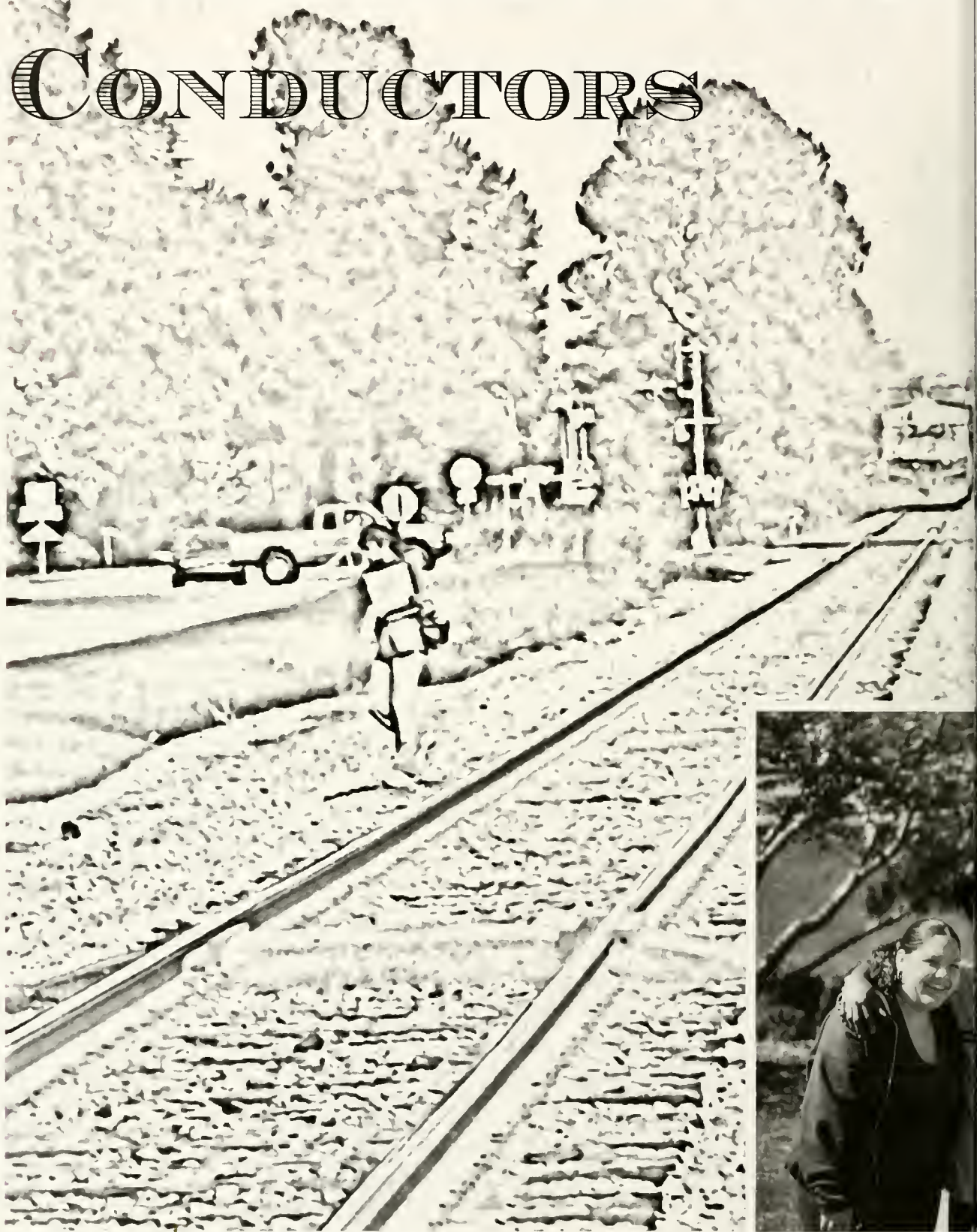


These sisters of Zeta Phi Beta are having a blast on the inflatable slide during Fall 2004 Parents' Weekend.

A trio of Theta Xi members are chillin' in the twilight patrolling for new members.



# PASSENGERS AND CONDUCTORS



128 People



## PEOPLE

UNCP is much more than just a university. It is a complex and diverse community of faculty, staff, and students. Like cars in a train, each group may have differing purposes and destinations, but all are fueled by new ideas we encounter. Though the destinations may initially seem different, the strengthening of minds and self-improvement are the goals that tie us all together and put us on the same track.

The following are the passengers and conductors of our community, each named individually. Each person plays an integral role in the university. The UNCP experience is enriched because of their presence and what they have to offer.

**T**hese friends are a train of affection and mirth outside the University Center.



**U**ltra-violet sun rays shine down as English major Eddie Rochester blocks the sun from his eyes during the spring graduation.

**N**ew friendships develop like that of Amy Allen, Donata William, Lea Winfield, Courtney Leggette, and Keksha.



*Wendla M. Adams*  
History  
Laurinburg

*Jason Lee Adkins*  
Biology/Medical Emphasis  
Laurinburg

*Cotina Sherrel Ames*  
Broadcasting  
Murfreesboro

*Lauren Meredith Ames*  
Psychology  
Fayetteville

*Sarah Jean Andersen*  
Sociology  
Stanfield

*Marvin Nicholas Andrade Jr.*  
Bio Medical  
Fayetteville





# Born to Lead

By William Johnson

**B**orn in Germany and a graduate of Douglas Byrd High School in Fayetteville, Venessa Neyon Jones had many opportunities to be a leader. Venessa was the President of the Student Government Association (SGA), where she served as a liaison between the "administration and the students." When Venessa took office she wanted to instill school pride and participation in campus activities and in retrospect Jones feels she has accomplished her goal. Venessa says that being the SGA president has afforded her the opportunity to meet most of the freshmen and taught her valuable time management skills. Venessa also served as a Peer Advisor and as a member of the NAACP.

Venessa lived on campus. Having been both a residential and commuter student, Venessa found that living on campus affords her the opportunity to be closer to classes, be more involved in student activities, and spend less money in gas driving from Fayetteville.

Venessa chose UNC Pembroke because of its "small size" and "personal touch." Venessa is a Business major and stated that her two favorite professors were Mr. Zaccaro and Mr. Lakatos. She explains that Mr. Lakatos' enthusiasm in the classroom rubs off on his students and gets them involved in whatever he is teaching. She also stated that Mr. Zaccaro's "laid back attitude" and accessibility makes her enjoy his style of teaching.

If Jones were to change anything about UNCP, she would change the Freshmen Orientation class. She feels that the class needs to help students get acquainted with the University's catalog and policies. By changing the focus of the course to academic policies and processes, Venessa feels freshmen will gain a greater understanding of what college expects from students. Venessa also feels that if the University continues to grow, it might lose the personal touch that attracted her and many other students.



*Jessica Lynn Arredondo*  
Elementary Education  
Rockingham

*Sosna "Mimi" Gedlu Assegden*  
Business Administration  
Arlington, VA

*Athaleah D. Bailey*  
Psychology  
St. Pauls



*Edna JoAnn Bailey*  
Sociology  
Hallsboro

*Lorie Marie Barbee*  
Sociology  
Fayetteville

*William Chadwick Barber*  
Computer Science  
Hendersonville



*Jacqueline Patricia Barnes*

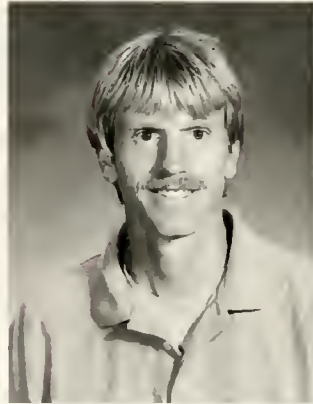
*Psychology  
Rockingham*

*Joel Christopher Beachum*

*Physical Education  
Laurinburg*

*Jason Curtis Bentley*

*Philosophy and Religion  
Wake Forest*



*Barbara Swanner Bingham*

*Sociology  
Rockingham*

*Peta Joan Bivans*

*Social Studies Education  
Cameron*

*Christy Ann Blue*

*Business Administration  
Laurinburg*

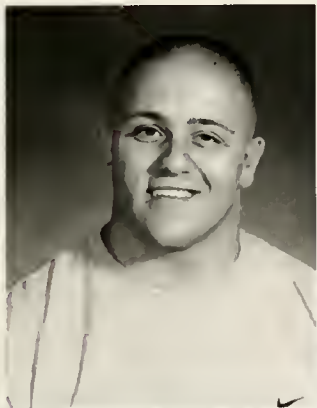


**Z**eta Phi Beta member Tia Moore does not want ice cream; instead she eagerly lines up to receive her diploma.

**R**epresentational or not, many seniors like Rafael Parra Roman display their work at an Art Show sponsored by the Art Department.







*Alicia L. Brayboy*  
Social Work  
Pembroke

*Adrian Michael Britt*  
Biology  
Lumberton

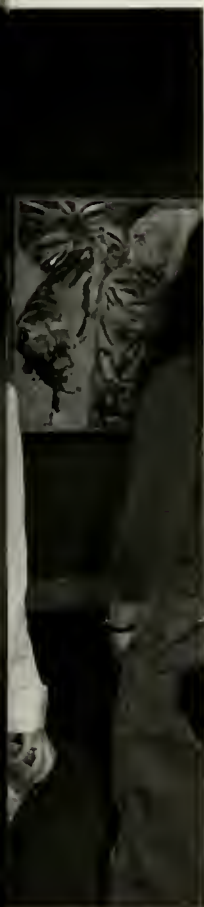
*Nicole Locklear Brooks*  
American Indian Studies  
Lumberton



*Lionel Preston Capers*  
Recreation Management  
Jacksonville

*Crystal Gail Caton*  
Accounting  
Cape Carteret

*Amanda Jeanne Chambers*  
Theatre  
Florida, MA



# A Writer's Presence

*By Faidat Onikoyi*

**N**athan Elijah Graham was born in Dalton, Georgia. His hometown, where he lived for ten years, reminds him of carpet mills and good southern folks. Nathan is a senior and will graduate with a degree in English. He chose this major so that he can gain a command of the English language and because he dearly loves it.

Currently Nathan commutes. He enjoys living in a settled setting and the freedom of having thirty minutes to drive to school and think about the day ahead of him. He states that the disadvantage about being a commuter is the amount of gas that he has to purchase and detachment from student activities and campus life.

Nathan is currently the editor of *The Aurochs*, vice president of Sigma Tau Delta, and treasurer of Alpha Chi. Nathan also enjoys writing poetry, short fiction, playing guitar, and spending time with his family.

Nathan stated that he feels good about being a senior and he is ready to move on to another stage of life, although he will miss the faculty and staff.

After graduation, Nathan plans to further his education by going to graduate school in the Southwest and then moving back to the South where he will enter an MFA program in creative writing. He eventually wants to become a professor. He also states that he will miss the small UNCP setting, the nontraditional students, and diversity.

Nathan is inspired by professors, some of whom are Dr. Jesse Peters, whom he is grateful to for bringing passion of literature to the classroom, Dr. Karen Helgeson, for guiding him through the creative process, and Ms. Sara Oswald, for being the most organized person that he knows and keeping him on the right track. Nathan's final advice to students is to pace themselves and stay focused.



# Making Her Own History

By Jill Duransik



**J**ennifer Lyn Sechler, a senior from the small NASCAR town of Mooresville, North Carolina, will be graduating in December 2004 with a degree in American Studies and a minor in Literature. When she first came to UNCP she was planning on majoring in Business, but she soon found that the topic was of no interest to her. She then chose American Studies because it "includes everything, not just history, which makes up America."

While attending UNCP she has stayed in the dorms, but currently resides in the University Courtyard Apartments. Throughout her stay here she has had five roommates. She says, "If you have a good roommate you become really good friends, and you have so much fun." Also, she has been a part of Phi

Alpha Theta, which has been a goal of hers; she also helped restart the History Club after the Dial Building was reopened, and she is part of Student Ambassadors.

After graduation, she will attend grad school at UNC-Greensboro to earn a Library Science and Information degree. Then, she will return to Mooresville, where her family has lived since the 1920's, and begin working, although she is not yet sure of what she will be doing.

She enjoyed UNCP because of the small class size and the faculty, especially the history department, because they work with students, help students with problems, and are personable. To freshmen everywhere her advice is: "Stick with it; it's worth getting the degree."

*Marie Stephens Chavis*  
History  
Lumberton



*Lora Lee Clark*  
Business Management  
Laurinburg



*George Coates*  
Sociology  
Greensboro



*Kelly Hinson Coble*  
Psychology  
Rockingham



*Christopher Merritt Conner*  
Mathematics Education  
Pembroke



*Robin J. Connolly*  
Public Relations  
Hampstead





**L**ate night study sessions are common among students like Jessica Days, especially during finals week.

**G**raduation is an emotional time, a culmination of academic and individual development.



*Andrea Shavon Cooper*  
Sociology  
Beulaville

*Lynn Marie Courtney*  
Elementary Education  
Charlotte

*Deloris Cox*  
Business Management  
Red Springs



*Nathaniel Bartley Cox*  
Philosophy and Religion  
Laurinburg

*Tracy Michele Creque*  
Sociology  
Fayetteville

*Jessica Louise Days*  
Biology  
Greensboro



*Sylvia Turner Dial*

*Social Work  
Fairmont*

*Waco Douglas Jr.*

*Criminal Justice  
Raleigh*

*Jennifer Rae Duncan*

*Social Work  
Hamlet*



*Christopher Darrel Durant*

*Biology Pre-Med  
Hope Mills*

*LaCinda Ellen Ellison*

*Sociology  
Seagrove*

*Janeisha Montique Epps*

*Sociology  
Whiteville*



# The Future's Landscape

*By Ryan Regan*



**R**ashad Monroe McRae is a senior at UNCP. He is from Fayetteville, North Carolina, and graduated from South View High School in 2000. Rashad commutes to campus, and prefers commuter life to being a campus resident. He enjoys the privacy of staying at his own house because it helps with his study skills and overall academic performance.

Rashad is on his way to graduating in the spring of 2005, with a degree in Business Management. He plans to use this degree to start his own business in the landscaping industry. He thinks his business would be successful, because landscaping is a big industry in Southeastern North Carolina, and that is where Rashad plans to stay after college. In his free time, Rashad

likes to play basketball and football with his friends. He played both sports while in high school at South View. He played running back for the football team and point guard for the basketball team.

After starting his business, Rashad may return to school and pursue his master's degree, but he is unsure on what the future holds. Rashad is excited about finally being a senior, and he is ready to apply what he has learned to the real world. Immediately following graduation, Rashad plans to pursue his landscaping business, and he may collaborate with some of his friends who share in his business plans. If he were to give an incoming freshman any advice, he would tell them to stay out of trouble.





*Morgan Danielle Evans*

Public Relations

Cary

*Monique S. Ford*

Chemistry

Robeson County

*Lachelle Seigi Foxx*

Sociology

Robbins



*Sara Elizabeth Franken*

Criminal Justice

Fayetteville

*Myra Rosette Frederick*

Journalism and Religion

Fremont

*Marsha C. Frink*

Sociology

Whiteville



**R**eacting to students who are acting, Terri Stewart and friend enjoy a play reproduction in Dr. Karen Helgeson's literature class.

**O**ne thumb is already up for the newly renovated Jones Building as Marco Genée waits to receive his M.A. at the fall commencement.



**T**here is no stress on Matthew Ruffin's face as he looks forward to the end of the fall semester.

**J**ob Well Done, mom! Jennifer proves to many student-mothers that the job can be completed.



*Beulah Louise Galeener*  
Business Management  
Fayetteville

*Cara Ann Glick*  
Sociology and Pre-Law  
Wilmington

*Candice Leigh Gooch*  
English and Philosophy and Religion  
Creedmoor

*Tara Lynn Govan*  
Sociology  
Red Springs

*Nathan Graham*  
English  
Laurinburg

*LaShawn Graham Grate*  
Social Work  
Tabor City





# A Woman of Substance

By Shannon Colantuono

**C**andice Gooch is from Durham, and grew up in the small town of Creedmoor, NC. Candice lives on campus and highly suggests that students live in dorms. She has lived on campus all four years and has only gone through one roommate. She now has a private room in which she enjoys. She is a double major in English and Philosophy with emphasis on Religion. She works at the reference desk at the University library and enjoys her job. Candice states, "I just really like to help people."

Candice is involved with the Yearbook, University Marshals, University Honors College, LSOP, Gamma Beta Phi, and is also active in Denlines, an environmental protection group. Her hobbies include listening to Tori Amos and The Cure, reading Tom Robbins novels, traveling, and playing Neopets.

Candice has traveled to France, and will venture to Scotland and England after graduation in 2005. She is currently working on writing a novel, though

the project has been on a standstill due to academic responsibilities.

Throughout her time at UNCP, she has met people such as Ms. Sara Oswald, Tim Van Hooser, June Power and John Jones all of whom she knows she will keep in touch with after she graduates. When describing her feelings on being a senior she states, "I'm happy but scared, it's kind of like a roller coaster." Her plans after graduation include applying for graduate school and getting her M.A., and then her doctorate.

Candice really likes the people at UNCP and is going to miss the debates, intellectual activities, daily routines, and the people that she works with. When asked about giving advice she had these comments, "Live on campus, hang out at the library, and get interested in things that you study. College is not about just getting a piece of paper, it is about expanding your mind and this is a good place for that."



*Jamie Griffith*  
English  
Fayetteville

*Jenny Rebecca Hadden*  
Social Work  
Roanoke Rapids

*Henry Justin Hall*  
Applied Physics  
Fayetteville



*Lakisha Nichole Hamilton*  
Broadcasting  
Lumberton

*Jennifer Candilee Hammonds*  
Business Management and  
Marketing  
Lumberton

*Victoria Lee Hammonds*  
Sociology  
Lumberton



*Hannah Beth Harrell*

History  
Wilson



*Ivorie Wykeene Hayes*

Mathematics and Criminal  
Justice  
Charlotte



*Curtis Martell Henderson*

Public Relations  
Lumberton

*David Guillermo Hercilla*

Business Management and  
Marketing  
Lima, Peru



*Nicky Delane Hobbs*

Mathematics Education  
Chadbourn



*Michelle Lynn Hoefler*

Criminal Justice and History  
Milwaukee, WI

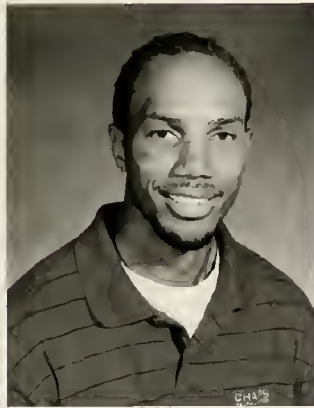


**T**alking and studying, Dipitbien Patel is multi-tasking.

**H**ooray! Graduates Nathan Graham and Graeme Little applaud the official start of the fall ceremony.







*Rashonda M. Hollingsworth*

*Criminal Justice*

*Charlotte*

*Jeremy Parnell Scott Holman*

*Psychology*

*Durham*

*Rebecca Lynn Holston*

*History*

*Summerfield*



*Laura Ann Howell*

*Elementary Education*

*Hamlet*

*Chad Elvington Hunt*

*Computer Science*

*Pembroke*

*Jessica Hunt*

*Computer Science*

*Lumberton*



# Editor in Chief

*By Muysja Mutima*

Chris Nicolini says, "New York—if you can make it there you can make it anywhere." This is not just a quote, this is the foresight of a positive and productive future. Being born and raised in New York City gave Nicolini the skills and the spirit of assertiveness. The Big Apple blended with the smaller Robeson County also provided the exposure to the commerce and the common public that leads him to his goal.

Attending UNCP has provided him with "a private school education at public school tuition." Nicolini is quite impressed with and basked in the near one-on-one educational experience provided at UNCP. He double majors in Journalism and Public Relations. He is also editor of the UNCP newspaper *The Pine Needle*. Aside from running the school's newspaper he also works part-time at WTVD, ABC Eyewitness News 11, as an intern.

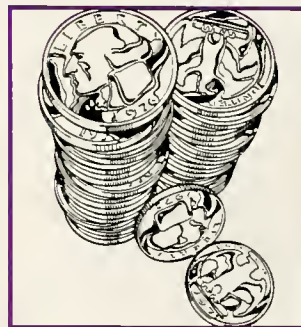
Growing up in New York City has also given

Chris the cultural diversity needed in the business he is headed toward. When he is not working in and out of the classroom, Chris finds himself just enjoying the company of friends. Chris enjoys several genres of music, and enjoys 50 cent or Aerosmith. "Just anything but country!" he states emphatically. Chris will graduate in December of 2004 with a Bachelor's degree, but he emphasizes that in the hustle tussle world of today, the degree just will not cut it. He plans to continue working at ABC 11 for some time because he has been offered a scholarship. He plans on attending graduate school in the near future but would like to get his feet wet in the industry first. With such a busy schedule it is hard for him to remember that he is graduating in weeks. He describes the feeling as one of completion but at the same time one of sadness. Like many life changes this one promises to be a somewhat difficult one as he prepares for the workplace.



# At Home and Business

By Johnny Whittaker



**C**ynthia Millicent Ellis, nicknamed Cindy, was born in Louisville, Kentucky but raised in Chadbourn, North Carolina. She is a senior and is majoring in Business with a concentration in management. Cynthia's hometown is small and has only one stoplight. Married at age eighteen, she has never lived away from home. Cynthia chose Business as her major because she believes that is what God has gifted her in and feels that she can help someone else along the way.

Cynthia believes that business is more about dealing with people rather than products. Cindy states, "God comes first in my life in everything I do. Without Him, my beautiful daughter and the love and support of the most wonderful husband in the world, I don't know how I would have made it to where I am. I thank God for the opportunity to provide a better future for

her. I can't forget my mom and my sister; they've also been my support system." She also states, "Joseph Lakatos has been the most beneficial person I've met at UNCP. He is by far the greatest instructor I've ever had. Cammie Hunt would be another."

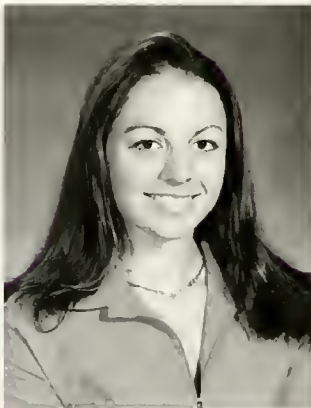
Cynthia says she would tell underclassmen to "always keep up with their own records. Be aware and stay updated on your account status. Work as hard as possible, and graduation will be worth it all. Build networks and make lifetime friends."

After college Cynthia's plans are to begin a career and help support her family. She plans to work on her MBA here at UNC Pembroke. One of the main things she likes about UNCP is the one-on-one relationships between the students and the professors. The only advice she has for new entering freshmen is: "Stay away from the parties."

*Senel Vurgun Izin*  
Elementary Education  
Fayetteville

*Amber Cherise Jackson*  
Psychology  
Fayetteville

*Deloris C. Jackson*  
Sociology  
Fayetteville



*Lantreco G. Jackson*  
Health, Physical Education, and Recreation  
Gastonia

*Crystal Gail Jacobs*  
American Indian Studies  
Fairmont

*Espadonsa L. Jacobs*  
Sociology  
Pembroke





**S**igma Tau Delta member Lance Floyd is caught by surprise after the graduation ceremony.

**M**arcus and Lea Winfield relax and enjoy friendly conversation outside the UC.



*Barbara Renee Jacobson*  
Biology and Chemistry  
Fayetteville

*Emily Dare Johnston*  
Elementary Education  
Charlotte

*Kimberly D. Johnson*  
Sociology  
Maxton



*Kirsten Cecelia Johnson*  
Journalism and Public Relations  
Charlotte

*LaTonya R. Keels*  
Biomedical and Chemistry  
Lumberton

*Keon William Daniele Kersen*  
Business Management and Marketing  
Charlotte



*Nancy Dawkins King*  
Criminal Justice and Sociology  
Laurel Hill

*Brenda Lathen*  
Social Work  
Raeford

*Melinda Beth Laughren*  
Elementary Education  
Oak Island

*Jane H. Layton*  
Social Studies Education  
Rockingham

*Kimberlee Sherritta Leach*  
Health Promotion  
Elizabethtown

*Genvière Céline Lebeau*  
Business Marketing and Management  
Sherbrooke, Quebec, Canada



# Reaching the Public

By Jason Middleton



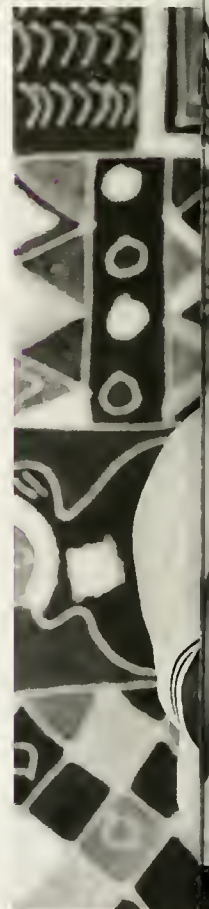
Cotina S. Ames was born in Virginia but has resided in the quiet suburbs of Murfreesboro, NC, for the past fourteen years. She decided to live in the Village Apartments and to attend the many events on campus. She has lived with many people and had around 10 different roommates. She has changed apartments and appreciates all of her roommates for making her a better person and showing her different world views.

Cotina has decided to major in Mass Communication and Broadcasting and minor in Public Relations. She came to UNCP with her major in mind. She enjoys talking and decided to get paid by doing something she enjoys. She has worked at both a radio

and TV station. In her spare time she enjoys shopping, traveling, talking on the phone, surfing the web, and partying with friends.

Cotina has two best friends, Quintin Chiles and Yvonne Schoolfield, and she says, "There are some people you just click with and we did." She is very excited about being a senior but more excited to get out in the real world. She plans to move to Raleigh, NC, and obtain a job working for a TV station.

The thing she enjoyed about UNCP is the small atmosphere and the sense of family it gives her. She advises all freshmen not to play around and waste time: "Make sure you and advisor are on the same track. Make the most of these years because they pass quickly."





*Mamie L. LeGrand*

Broadcasting  
Hamlet

*LaDonna Leigh Locklear*

Birth-Kindergarten Education  
Pembroke

*Mark Lee Locklear*

Business Management  
Rennert



*Pamela Louise Locklear*

Chemistry  
Pembroke

*Tiffany J. Locklear*

Elementary Education and  
American Indian Studies  
Midland

*Alicia Brooke Lowery*

Sociology  
Lumberton



**I**an Siler pours out his soul during a performance for the multi-cultural center.

**G**raduation is one event that keeps folks smiling for photo ops.



**M**imi Gedhi's family shows pride in her accomplishments with balloons and flowers at the December 2004 commencement.



**D**oes this signify peace? Victory? Scissors cut paper? Desmond McCoy represents his commitment to his student organization.



*India Lowry*  
Psychology  
Pembroke

*Jeremy L. Lowry*  
Bio-Medical  
Pembroke

*Lisa Ann Lowry*  
Sociology  
Pembroke



*Russell Todd Luck*  
Mass Communications  
Randleman

*Lydia Ruth Manahan*  
Mathematics Education  
Lillington

*Ligeia Edlengreth Massenber*  
Sociology  
Fayetteville





# Soccer Sensation

By Felix Reyes

**Ö**zgür Baytar, a Sports Science major and a member of the 2004 men's soccer team, hails from Bremen, Germany, which he deemed "the most beautiful city in the world." While at Pembroke, this soccer sensation acquired his own title, becoming known around campus as "Youri," a nickname he says he received because "people say I look like the French soccer player Youri Djorkaeff."

When asked about the differences between his hometown and Pembroke, Youri replied that "almost everything is different." The town of Pembroke was much smaller than he thought it would be, but making the adjustment was made easier since his roommate Jan was also his roommate back in Germany.

Youri came to UNCP to play soccer, having heard of the university from the assistant soccer coach. This was his first time studying abroad, and he felt it was "a great experience." Youri found his experiences on the

UNCP soccer team to be "more professional than in Germany. We have no college teams there." He went on to say, "I learned more about soccer, not from a specific person or coach, but because we played every day. In Germany we only practice a few times a week." Youri's most memorable experience at UNCP was definitely the team's participation in the NCAA-II Final Four. He feels that this year's team was "very successful," even though, "unfortunately," their result in the Final Four match was "not our highest score."

Youri said he will miss playing soccer here when he returns to Bremen, and even though he will not miss the small town life of Pembroke, he will definitely miss his teammates and the people he met here, especially his friend Fernando. Youri is considering attending graduate school to study management in hopes of achieving his ultimate goal, "building my own business."



*RoseAnna Estelle McClintock*  
English Education  
Reidsville



*Amanda Laine McDonald*  
Art  
Ellerbe



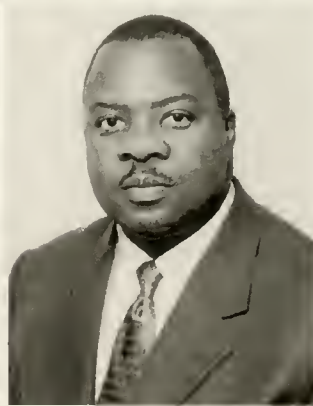
*Cornelia René McEachin*  
Sociology  
Laurinburg



*Lisa Denise McKay*  
Business Management  
Elizabethtown



*Jennifer Lee McNeill*  
Business Management  
Fayetteville



*Gary Lewis McQueen*  
Business Management  
Fayetteville



*Jerry McQueen*  
Business Management  
Raeford



*Samantha Ann Miller*  
Special Education  
Bunn Level



*Sabrina K. Mitchell*  
Sociology  
Lumberton



*Andrea Jessica Miyagi*  
International Studies  
Raeford



*Derrick Phils Montgomery*  
Social Work  
Lilesville



*Frances Jean Moody*  
Sociology  
Laurinburg



**W**aco and Nashad enjoy the refreshments offered at the Christmas semi-formal dance.

**C**ongrats, Tiffeny Fields. Many spring 2004 graduates have already found their place in America's workforce.







*Coral Nichole Mortell*

*Special Education  
Raeford*

*Meredith Michael Munford*

*Sociology  
Elizabethtown*

*Natalie Ann Niesborella*

*Physical Education Licensure  
Huntersville*



*Chika E. Okonkwo*

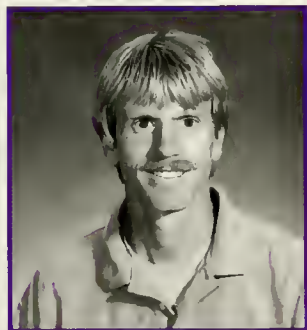
*Social Work  
Raleigh*

*Stephanie Pardue Paige*

*Elementary Education  
Houston, TX*

*Andrea Maria Patawaran-Hickman*

*English  
Hope Mills*



# Coach and Photographer

*By: Jennifer Diana Key*

**J**oel Christopher Beachum commutes to UNCP from Laurinburg, where he has lived for 25 years. Joel's major is Physical Education K-12, his second degree. He work experience has included coaching, substitute teaching, tutoring, and writing for *The Red Springs Citizen*. His desire to teach led Joel back to UNCP; as he explained, "I decided that I enjoyed teaching, and UNCP has one of the best teaching programs available."

Joel continues to coach both volleyball and soccer. "This is going on my sixth year of coaching," he says. He is an assistant coach and goalkeeper coach at Scotland High School in Laurinburg. Even though coaching is time consuming, taking up "as many as 25 hours a week in season," Joel says "it has only helped my studies." In addition to his academics and coaching, Joel is a photographer for the yearbook, *The Pine Needle*, and the Baptist Student Union. According to Joel, photography "has helped me to be more rounded and allowed me to meet numerous people. It has also

enabled me to learn how to work better with others."

Joel is also involved in his church choir at First Baptist in Laurinburg. He plays the guitar and enjoys playing golf, racquetball, soccer, and tennis as well. He is also certified by the Red Cross as a lifeguard and in CPR for the professional rescuer, and he holds a soccer diploma and a goalkeeper license from the National Soccer Coaches Athletic Association (NSCAA).

Eventually, Joel would like to go to graduate school in either Physical Education or Journalism. Though he doesn't have a definite idea of a job, Joel is optimistic: "Hopefully the experience that I have gained from class and coaching will be beneficial towards my finding a career in my area of study."

Joel's conclusion is: "The education that you gain, the experiences you take away, the knowledge you attain, and the people that you meet make UNCP unique. I will miss the entire college experience."



# Bonded with Biology

By Charles Stedman



Carey McNeill Barez graduated in December with a degree in biology. She was raised in Raeford, NC, a small rural town in Hoke County. She commuted to UNCP every day and said one of the advantages of being a commuter is that she is closer to local activities and her community but that she has limited access to university facilities such as the library. She got her degree in biology to prepare for dental school. She believes that the biology department is one of the strongest departments on campus.

Carey volunteered at Fayetteville Care Clinic while holding a job as a respiratory therapist at Womack Army Hospital. She said that holding a job can make it difficult to manage her time. She was also in the Tri Beta Biology club, Alpha Chi, and the Health Careers Club, where she held the position of secretary. She says these experiences have given her off campus opportunities to explore biology and health careers.

She also raises two children who are in elementary school. She volunteers at her children's elementary school while also doing a lot of volunteer work in her community.

Carey has made a lot of friends here at UNCP; two that she mentioned are Dr. Lisa Kelly and Sharon Strickland. Dr. Lisa Kelly was her botany and ecology professor and the faculty advisor for the Tri Beta club. Sharon Strickland was a study friend. She said that she was relieved to finally get her bachelor's degree. After she graduates, she wants to go on to dental school at either UNC Chapel Hill or VCU (Virginia Commonwealth University). After finishing her education, she said that she plans to come back to her local area. She likes the small class size here at UNCP and the personal relationships that she gained while she was here. She said for underclassmen, "make use of your time wisely."

*Brandon Penney*

*Business Management  
Lumberton*



*Joscha Marie Peyton*

*Business Management  
Lumberton*



*Andrea Evon Phillips*

*Psychology  
Bladenboro*



*Kimberly Hope Phillips*

*Elementary Education  
Lumberton*



*Carrie Sue Pierce*

*Social Studies Education  
Lillington*



*Adria Ann Pontious*

*Biology/Chemistry  
Athol, ID*





2004 Election Coverage is shot by John Jones while Jessica reports on the effort to get the vote out.

Smiling for a quick snapshot, Sherene Fulmner and Leshari Hancock are caught by our photographers.



*Rebecca Rae Purkall*

Music  
Charlotte

*Clara A. Quick*

Sociology  
Laurinburg

*Felix Reyes, Jr.*

Computer Science  
Fayetteville



*Lindsay Ritzmann*

Mass Communications  
Southport

*Vancine Robinson-Sturdivant*

Public Relations  
Lilesville

*Valen Christina Rogers*

Sociology  
Pembroke



*Kelly McPherson Russell*

*Social Studies Education  
Laurel Hill*

*Ashleigh Marie Sanderson*

*Sociology  
Maxton*

*Angelie E. Santos*

*Biology  
Lumberton*



*Angelin Engle Santos*

*Art  
Lumberton*

*Mary Blue Savage*

*Criminal Justice  
Cerro Gordo*

*Susan M. Hollis Scearce*

*Special Education  
Fayetteville*



# News Worthy

*By Cotina Ames*



Whether he's walking or skating wherever he needs to go, John Jones is always on the move. After spending six years in Fayetteville, NC, this former "army brat" has found a comfortable niche here at UNCP. John is a senior broadcasting major and is the producer of WNCP-TV's news program, which he co-anchored last year.

John is proud to be a member of the Mass Communications department, which he calls "a diamond in the rough" and in which he has made many friends and "comrades." His favorite professor

is Mr. Mike DeCinti. Even though they may "butt heads" at times, John says Mr. DeCinti gives him a lot of good insight and is very challenging.

After graduation John intends to send resumes all over the country to find a job. His prospects are bright; he has had an internship in New York and hours of experience in the broadcasting field. In his spare (and rare) time, John enjoys anime, inline skating, comic books and Chuck Palahniuk novels.

In conclusion, John advises fellow students to stay focused and "work toward your ultimate purpose."





*Yvonne Elizabeth Schoolfield*

Broadcasting  
Bear, DE

*Lauren Elaine Scroggins*

Political Science/Pre-Law  
Fayetteville

*Jennifer Lyn Sechler*

American Studies  
Mooreville



*Claire Amelia Secrist*

English and Philosophy and  
Religion  
Fayetteville

*Byron Vinton Shelton*

Social Work  
Harriss, TX

*Donna Marie Shifflette*

Birth through Kindergarten  
Education  
Fayetteville



**C**ommuter student Christina Yamamoto brings her pet ferret to school for show and tell.

**I**nternational soccer player Ali Erdal celebrates after helping to achieve another UNCP victory.



Couples like Joel Beachum and his date show off their dress and their dance moves during the semiformal.



Fall graduate Vancine Sturdivant is pleased to receive flowers and balloons in recognition of her academic achievement.



*Rebecca Faye Skinner*  
Middle Grades Education  
Chadbourn



*Brandi Nolen Small*  
Elementary Education  
Wagram



*Michael Harding Smith*  
Sport and Exercise Science  
Beaver Dam



*Jamee R. Stewart*  
Elementary Education  
Bladenboro



*Terri Danielle Stewart*  
English  
Greensboro



*Kelly Nicole Strickland*  
Music Education  
Lumberton



# Far From Home

**S**osna Gedlu Assegdew was originally from Addis Ababa, the capital city of Ethiopia, and liked to be called Mimi. While at UNCP, she lived on campus in Pine Hall. Mimi said the advantage of living on campus was "I'm close to classes; I don't have to worry about transportation, especially when we have bad weather." But there were disadvantages, too: "Sometimes it is boring and I can't go anywhere because I don't have a car."

Mimi was involved in several campus organizations, including the International Student Organization (ISO), the Interested Ladies of Lambda Theta Alpha (LTA), and the UNCP Ambassadors. In her free time she liked to work out, read, and relax.

Mimi majored in Business Administration with a concentration in Management. After graduation, she planned to work for a while and go back to school to get her master's. Mimi stated that "I'm very happy that I'm a senior. It is a good feeling." The advice she had for underclassmen was, "Don't take early classes unless you are a morning person, and make sure you do all your homework and projects in advance."

The things she liked about UNCP were that it is small school, and it is very clean and safe. She also liked the small classes and the different activities. The things she would miss when she left UNCP would be "My friends, the volunteer work I do, basically I'll miss everything."



*Tiffany Nicole Turner*  
Psychology  
Fayetteville

*Jeremy Wayne Walters*  
Social Studies Education  
Lumberton

*Theresa Danetta Washington*  
Social Work  
Fayetteville



*Amanda Whittaker*  
Criminal Justice  
Laurinburg

*Christina Anne Whittaker*  
History  
Manassas, VA

*Kelly D. Wilkins*  
Nursing  
Shannon



*Debra N. Williams*

Social Work  
Fayetteville



*Sharbara Williams-Lacy*

Criminal Justice  
Whiteville



*Crystal Lynn Womack*

Sociology  
Sanford

*Victor Reginald Womack, Sr.*

Sociology  
Maxton



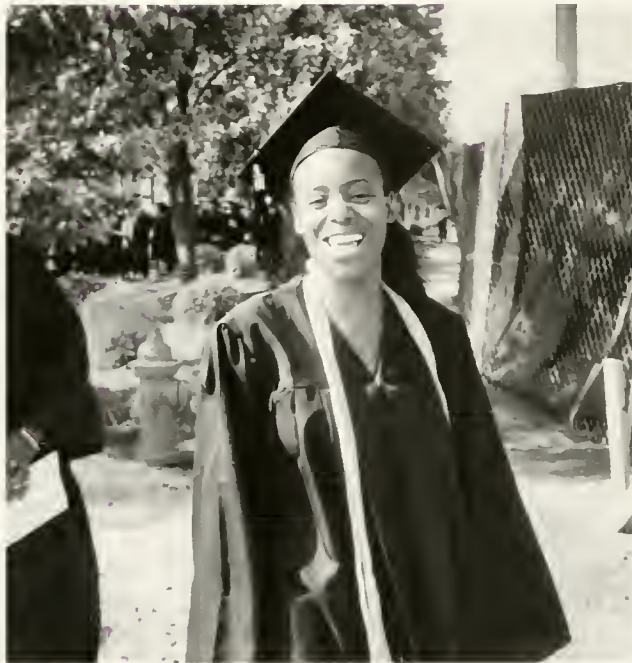
*Christina Yamamoto*

Forensic Chemistry  
Fayetteville



*Emelda Leilani Zuschlag*

Public Relations  
Corvallis, OR



**M**aggie Crandall is excited and grateful to make her way over to the graduation ceremony.

**T**errell and Raji may represent two different organizations, but they demonstrate that friendship stretches far beyond the horizon.







**F**inal assessment. These guys are happy to be out of here!



# Putting on the Ritz

*By Jacqueline Scott*

**I**ntelligent, determined, and down to earth are just some of the qualities Lindsay Diane Ritzmann, "Ritzie," displays. Moving to Pembroke from Wilmington and to Wilmington from New York, Lindsay found herself and who she truly is. She found out a lot about herself when joining her beloved Tri-Sigma sorority. Lindsay has been part of the sorority for two years and loves all of the close bonds she has made with her Sigma sisters: "They have been with me through thick and thin. These are the girls who are going to be my future bridesmaids and godmothers to my children one day."

She is a perfect example for those who cannot decide on a major, having had changed hers six times. Starting with criminal justice and ending with broadcasting and journalism, Lindsay has had many peaks and valleys in many different fields.

Being a senior "doesn't affect me," she said. She cannot imagine leaving her sisters and being out completely on her own finding new friends and a career. Not wanting to leave anyone behind, yet embracing what the future holds, Ritzie leaves UNCP with two excellent tips: "It's okay to make many mistakes, but don't give up."



# Never Assume

By Cotina Ames



**E**ster Jennifer Simmons is a graduate student from the island of Trinidad. Ester loves the pleasant atmosphere of her native country but also enjoys UNC Pembroke. She lives on campus at the University Village apartments and works in the psychology and counseling department. Her work relates to her Psychology major, which she chose because she wants to understand and relate to people. In her spare time she enjoys visiting Charlotte.

When asked what she likes most about UNC Pembroke she said being able to spend time with people she wouldn't have been able to meet on a regular basis. After graduation, Ester wants to marry and have a family while also having a successful career. She advises other students to check everything out for themselves: "Don't always trust what you see online, and don't assume anything."

*Longge Gao*

*Master of Business Administration  
Heilongjiang, China*

*Jiang He*

*Master of Public Administration  
Beijing, China*

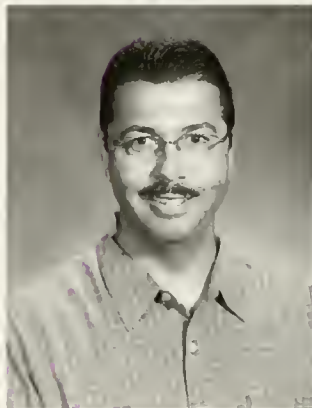


*Gautam Nayer*

*Master of Public Administration  
Pembroke*

*Aubrey Swett*

*Master of Arts, Service Agency Counseling  
Pembroke*





**D**r. Kathleen Hilton, Dean of the School of Graduate Studies, presents a new master's degree recipient with her hood as Chancellor Meadors looks on.

**T**his new M.A.Ed. walks proudly across the stage after receiving her degree at the December 2004 commencement.

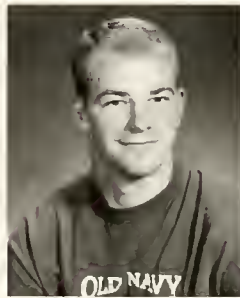


**T**hese two graduate students look on as their classmates receive their degrees.

**D**r. Alex Chen and faculty members from the MPA program congratulate Jiang He, Yanqui Wang and Gang Wu after the December commencement.



*Sara Elizabeth Anastasio  
Matthew Anglin  
Carla Baxley  
Kala An Brammer*



*Lakeshia Brown  
David Matthew Bryan  
Jessica Lynn Carter  
Stephanie Hope Chavis*



# Yoruba at UNCP

*By Nathan Graham*



**F**aidat Olatola Onikoyi, a junior, was born in Lagos, Nigeria. Although there are stark differences between Lagos and Pembroke, she feels at home as an accounting major at UNCP. Currently Faidat lives in the University Village Apartments and enjoys having her own space. She also enjoys being able to have company when she likes and a kitchen, which allows her to avoid the cafeteria.

Faidat has been very involved with a variety of university organizations including Gamma Beta Phi, LSOP, and Accounting Club. In addition she serves as the Treasurer of ISO and as a freshmen orientation leader. Then in her spare time she says, "Outside of class I really like to dance, read romance novels, draw, and spend time with my loved ones."

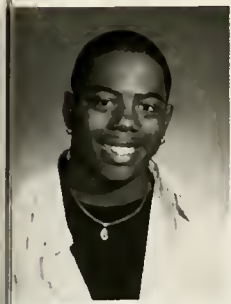
Eventually she plans to return to her hometown in Nigeria, but for now she is content pursuing her education. Faidat likes the cultural diversity and the small college atmosphere at UNCP and recommends starting a football team because it would

draw more students to the university. She had high praise for several of her professors like Dr. Larkatos who she says "is the best professor because he is an excellent teacher and very involved with students" and for Dr. Butler who "was very encouraging and inspired me to pursue my dreams."

On weekends Faidat works at the IHOP in Greensboro, where some of her family lives. Of all the activities and events at the university she will remember the close friendships she has developed in her time at Pembroke. Some of these friends are Julia Maathey, Jether, Lea, Courtney, Keisha, and Nicole. Faidat believes they will keep in contact after graduation because they are great friends and have always been there for her.

After she graduates she says, "I will take the CPA exam and work with a large firm before returning home to Lagos." Faidat advises students to "participate in the community and take time to have fun with friends."





*Wendell Marquis Davis  
Shaun Deese  
Nicole Lynn Dial  
Alasha Diane Dixon*



*Salyna Dvorovy  
Adrienne Marlene Evans  
Christopher Faulk  
Tiffany Nicole Finandis*



**R**yan Tingle and Sara Anastasio are all wrapped up in each other.

**T**his student concentrates on making her shot in the UC game room.



**B**ridget entertains the audience during an on-campus concert.

**A**n eager student awaits his ticket for a performance in the Givens Performing Arts Center.



*Christina Marie Fiorentino  
Natalie Syrease Gause  
Simonee Chrishelle Gonzalez  
Ananeika M. Graham-Pankey*



*Erin Denise Guerrero  
Donna Hannab  
April Bosanna Harper  
Avistou M. Harris*





# Embrace Friendship

By Cotina Ames

**A**lasha Diane Dixon is a junior from Fayetteville, NC, where she has lived for twenty-one years. Alasha lives on campus and says this has taught her to “embrace friendship.” The disadvantage, however, is that there can be “too much closeness.” She has had five different roommates in her years at UNCP, and this has taught her to appreciate privacy.

Alasha’s major is Elementary Education, which she chose because “teaching is a vital part of development socially and academically.” She has found the professors in the Education department to be “fair and willing to help.” Her goal after graduating is to teach first and then become a principal.

In addition to her classes, Alasha

works 30 hours a week at the Movie Gallery; this lessens her study time, but she says she manages. She is not involved in any clubs on campus, but she likes to attend Faith Tabernacle Christian Center in St. Pauls.

The person Alasha will most remember from UNCP is Tiffany Finandis; they met as freshmen in ENG 105 and have had “a terrific connection” ever since. The professors she will remember are Dr. Fran Fuller and Dr. Karen Helgeson because they believed in her as a student and were “always there when needed.”

In conclusion, Alasha feels that UNCP is “a great institution of higher learning which has become a home away from home that gives pride and love.”



*Edward Alferd Henderson II  
AleelaLee Herring  
Catherine Leanna Hogan  
Joannetta Ingram*



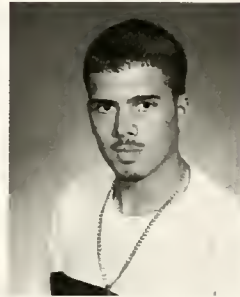
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Raji Wali Johnson  
Jenny R. Jump  
Courtney M. Kilgore*



Rebecca Lynn Knox  
 Emily Koonce  
 Krista Rose Lamm  
 Joyce Ann Lewis



Jin Ping Lin  
 Matthew C. Locklear  
 Lisa Marie Louis  
 Henry McNeill Martin



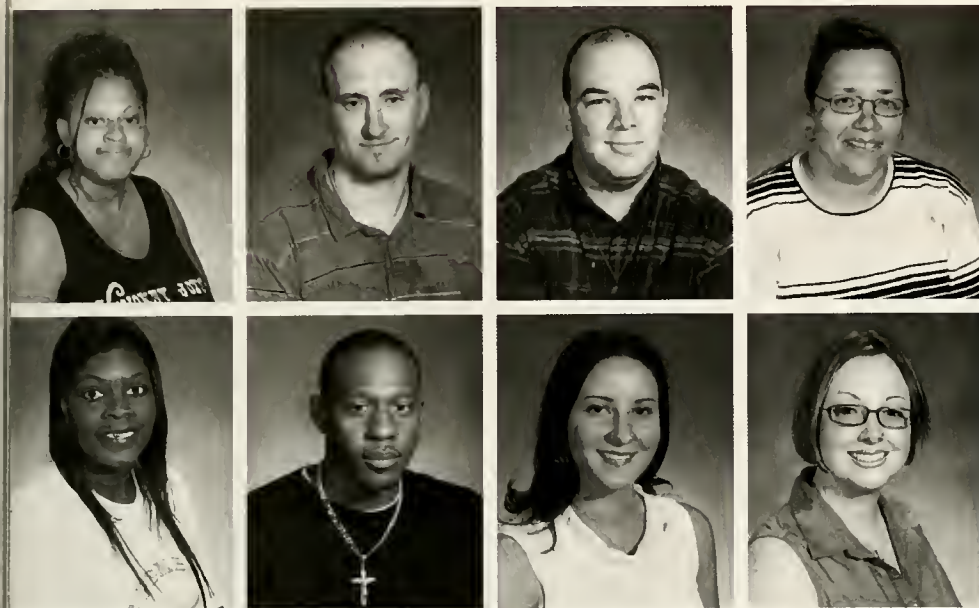
**T**ri-Sigma sisters Katherine Greer and Corinne Raybuck enjoy some down time.



**T**he drumline of UNC Pembroke's marching band practices outside Moore Hall.







*Earlicia Quensetta McBryde  
Damon McLeskey  
Jason Odom  
Sherry L. Oxendine*

*Kay Frances Peterkin  
Jimmie Maurice Peterson  
Alisha Dawn Pittman  
Jessica Polmann*



# The Art of Balance

By Blake Vaughn

**R**achel Sudderth, a junior from Pittsboro, NC, knows what it takes to make it in college. In her third year at UNCP, Rachel is an Elementary Education major with a concentration in Art. "I aspire to teach second graders, and I want to incorporate art into all my daily lessons. I think art is a very important factor in a child's development," she says.

Rachel commutes to UNCP via "a la Pied" or by walking. She resides in the University Courtyard Apartments, where she lives with one other roommate. "I like the privacy of the apartment," Rachel says. "I have my own bathroom, my own bedroom, a kitchen, and I don't have to

worry about someone else's music keeping me up at night." The only thing Rachel misses about not living on campus is that she rarely sees old friends.

Rachel is currently unemployed, but she certainly does not have excess free time. When her busy schedule permits her, Rachel participates in intramural sports such as basketball and volleyball; she is a member of the Campus Activities Board (CAB) and is a proud sister in the Zeta Tau Alpha sorority. Some of the things she is involved in with ZTA are supporting breast cancer awareness, food drives, and the "Race for the Cure" in Charlotte N.C., which also supports breast cancer research.



# Boone ♥s Basketball

By Cotina Ames



**R**ollie Boone is a junior Broadcasting major from Birmingham, AL, where he lettered in basketball for two seasons at Minor High School and received All State Honorable Mention honors. Rollie, or "Boone" as his friends call him, transferred to UNCP this year from Motlow State Community College.

Boone lives at the University Village Apartments. He enjoys being close to his classes, but sometimes wishes that he had more privacy. During his time at UNCP he has enjoyed working with the Mass Communications professors, all of whom

he says have been very helpful.

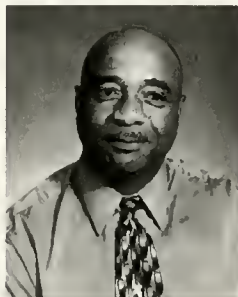
When not in class, Boone enjoys writing poetry and attending church.

As a member of the men's basketball team, he devotes much of his time to practice and games. He has begun to make a contribution in his first season with the Braves, averaging 15 minutes per game and scoring on over half his shots while making 71% of his free throws. Boone was also the leading scorer in two games so far this season. Although the team's record this season has been disappointing, in his opinion, "The basketball team is great."

*Latoya Shontae Purdie  
Ryan Jon Revier  
Alicia Lachelle Rich  
Tracy Ann Rivas*



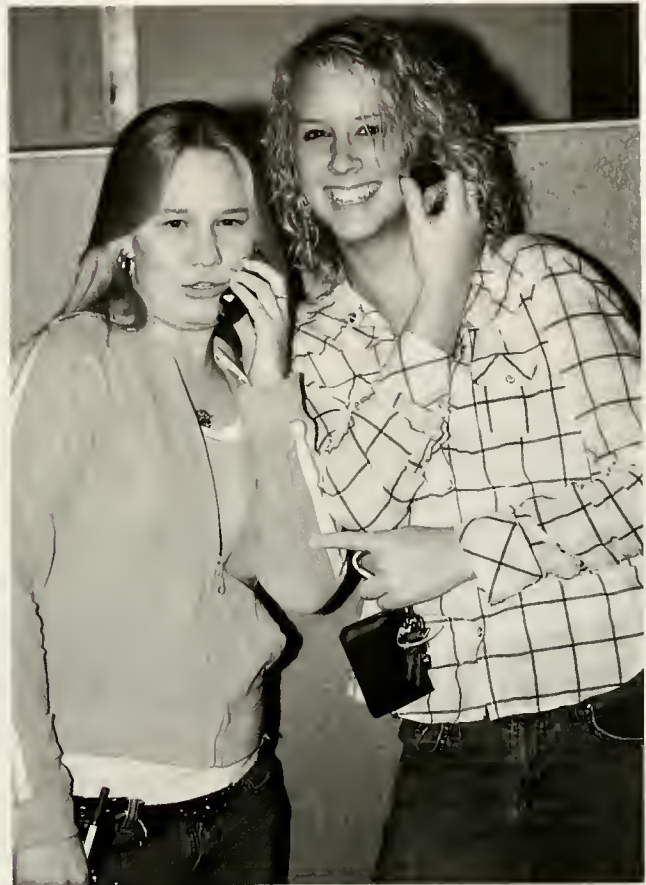
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Angelica Gause Robinson  
Shirley L. Robinson  
Holly Danielle Rudisill*



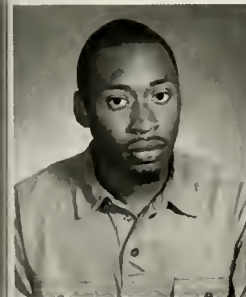


Good times fill Locklear Hall as students share a laugh at the Senior Art Show reception.

Can you hear me now? ask cell phone users Danielle Dark and Mandy Pynchan.



*Jessica Leigh Schirmer  
Shruti Sheth  
Erin Shockley  
Sarah Diane Simmons*



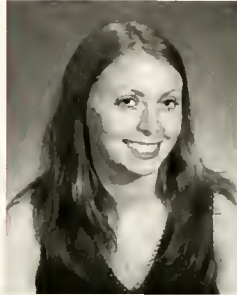
*Shawn Sherard Sledge  
Amanda Sweet  
Leslie C. Taylor  
Chib Thao*



*Kimiko Faye Thomas  
Aytoiya Katrice Thompson  
Nicole Marie Thorn*



*Susan Kaye Torgerson  
Kelly Agnes Velez  
Heather Dawn Walters*



# Golden Opportunity

By Candice Gooch



Christopher Golden is a Junior from Seminole, Florida. After moving to Fayetteville, NC, he attended 71st High School in Fayetteville and came to UNCP for the small class size and the opportunity to participate in the Teaching Fellows Program. Chris is a Science Education major and is planning on teaching physics and mathematics at the high school level after graduation. He has volunteered with the enrichment program through the Teaching Fellows and enjoys helping kids with their math and science homework. Chris says, "I love math, and I love helping people."

Chris participates in several extracurricular activities, such as Chess Club

and the Baptist Student Union. Chris is also a Resident Advisor in West Hall. Chris says that being an R.A. has been a terrific opportunity to get experience in authority positions.

When he's not helping out with academics Chris loves to read and listen to music. Some of his favorite authors are J.R.R. Tolkien and Robert Jordan. Jordan's *Pern Series* and *The Wheel of Time* are his favorites. Though he is an avid reader of many genres, fantasy novels are his favorite. Chris also loves contemporary Christian music, specifically DC Talk. Chris's love for helping others and wide variety of hobbies and interests contribute to the diverse student body at UNCP.





*Michael Washington  
Jamie Marie Webster  
Janet Maria Whitley*



*Crystal Dawn Williams  
Brian Henry Womack  
Johnnie Christine Young  
Michael Zimmermann*



**C**hris Golden lends a helping hand in the kitchen during a Campus Fellowship at the BSU House.

**S**tudents entertain each other as they perform a one-act play they've written for Dr. Karen Helgeson's class.



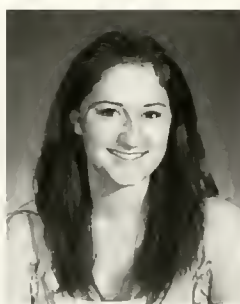
All smiles, these brothers of Kappa Alpha Psi share some laughs outside of the UC.



Nicole McDonald and Jennifer Collins relax after class with a game of pool in the UC gameroom.

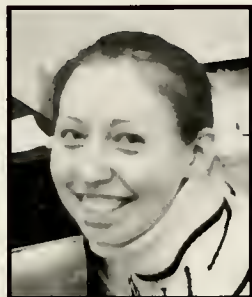


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# Busy Editor

By Nicole McDonald

**K**elly Linn Griffith is a sophomore with more than a healthy portion on her plate. Majoring in Mass Communications with a concentration in Journalism, Kelly is also working on a minor in Political Science. Throughout the fall semester, Kelly was the managing editor of *The Pine Needle* and in January, she became Editor. Amazingly enough she also finds time to be a member of LSOP as well as the University Honors College.

Kelly is always busy and running around, so living on campus is a great benefit, allowing her to be here when "breaking news" hits. She also really enjoys

college life and everything that goes along with it. She is originally from Fuquay-Varina, NC, but moved to Illinois when she was 12. Her family moved back for her high school years, which was a large influence on her because of an internship she earned with *The Fuquay-Varina Independent*, her hometown newspaper.

Kelly's words of advice to other students are: "I had an internship, and it was a great experience. I learned so much about the different aspects of the newspaper, and I encourage every student to get an internship before graduating."



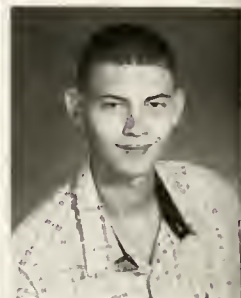
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 Joe Edward Drake  
 Brittany Marie Edwards  
 Teano Dwane Emanuel*



*Adam Kenneth Fenwick  
 Carolyn Rose France  
 Jamia Gaines-Paige  
 Tony Garrett*



**A**t the Christmas semi-formal, Ashley and friends share a moment together.



**P**. packs up after leading his intramural soccer team, Mr. Roger's Neighborhood, in the tournament championship match.



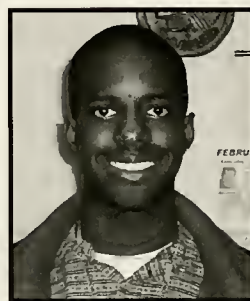




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Tiffany Marie Hall*



*Aneesa Harris  
Jessica Kristian Hayes  
Leroy Wayne Hayes  
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# Formula for Success

By Ian Hairston

**M**elvin Woodland is a sophomore here at UNCP. He is from Hope Mills, N.C., which he describes as a "small, crowded, lively" town. Melvin also lives here on campus. He said that he really likes the freedom he has here. He likes being closer to his classes and being able to meet new people more easily. However, he has had to adjust to sharing bathrooms and getting used to new roommates.

Melvin is a Forensic Chemistry major. He says that chemistry has always been an interest of his and it pays well. After he graduates he would like to work with the

F.B.I. On top of his schoolwork, Melvin has a part-time job at Video Hut back at home. One thing he likes about his job is being able to study while he works. Melvin is also a member of the Gamma Beta Phi honor society.

When Melvin is not working or going to class, you can usually catch him hanging with his friends, playing some video games or on stage acting. Melvin chose Pembroke because it was close but far enough away from home to have his own life. Melvin's favorite professor is Dr. Jonathan Lewis from the English Department because he actually takes time out for his students.



# Active Pi Lamb

By Jessica Oxley



Cathleen Waters is a sophomore and is very active in her fraternity on campus, Pi Lambda Upsilon. She comes from a small town in North Carolina called Zebulon. Located on the outskirts of Raleigh, Zebulon is the type of town where everyone knows everyone else. She is active in her church, in her community, and in volunteer work for her fraternity.

Cathleen pledged Pi Lambda Upsilon during the Fall 2004 semester and crossed over November 9th. She says that being a part of this fraternity is "very fulfilling," she also enjoys being in this fraternity because not only did she get a whole new family consisting of brothers and sisters, but she can now spend more time with her sister who is also her roommate. She thinks the only thing that should be changed around this school is the length of pledging.

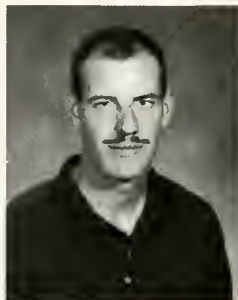
Cathleen is very active in community service projects through her fraternity, such

as the Ronald McDonald Foundation for kids. They collect can tabs off of drinks to help with kidney dialysis. Every can tab they receive is worth one minute of treatment for the patient. This is a very helpful project for patients that do not have enough money to cover the costs of proper treatment.

Cathleen loves UNCP. Last year she went to a private Catholic school in Massachusetts called Anna Maria, which she enjoyed even though it was distant from her parents and her only sister.

Cathleen is planning on majoring in education. She wants to be a middle school English teacher, a dream of hers since she was a young child. Cathleen has spoken with a lot of the professors in the teacher education program, and she thinks all of those she has spoken with are very good teachers. She feels she can learn a lot for her future career here at UNCP.

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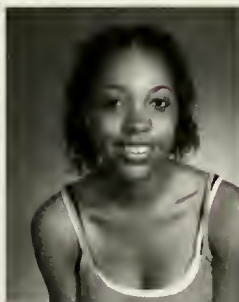


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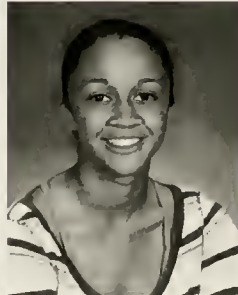


The Star is not on their class syllabus, but reading it keeps these friends amused as they enjoy some free time at the University Village Apartments.

Tara Williamson, Jessica, Dan English, and RoseAnna McClintock enjoy a laugh while presenting a skit for their English class.



*Georgianna Aubrey Lassiter  
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Maleka Lipscomb  
Leslie Lynn Liszcz*



*Thomas Morris Livingston  
Stephen A. Lloyd  
Barbara Deaonna Locklear  
Elizabeth Dawn Locklear*



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Dominique Denise Mack  
Shannon Denise McCall*



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Alex Lex McLaughlin  
Carla O. Monds  
Jamie Lynn Morgan*



# Show Me the Money



By Darren Herd

**S**ophomore Jonathan Rickloff exchanged one small town for another when he decided to leave his hometown of 10 years, Cary, NC, to attend UNCP. Now he commutes to classes from the University Courtyard Apartments. Jonathan thinks that living at Courtyard has positively affected his life since he has more space in the apartment rather than being cooped up in a limiting dorm room.

Jonathan has chosen to major in Business, mainly because he is interested in pursuing a career in sports management, specifically managing free agents in sports.

In addition to his classes, Jonathan currently works at Food Lion in Pembroke. As a store manager, he is responsible for everything on the front end of the store.

Jonathan named James Frederick from the School of Business as his favorite professor due to Frederick's admirable knowledge in the area of economics.

Jonathan chose to attend UNCP because he wanted a small environment in which he could engage in the classes with the teachers. He is disappointed that UNCP does not yet have a football team, but he hopes it will eventually.





*Robert Chi-Chi Ortega  
Dave Michael Parks  
Colette Jeanine Pond  
Camron Lamar Rawls*



*Eddie Mack Reeder  
Jennifer Ashley Reese  
Alfonzo Elijah Richardson  
Katherine Elizabeth Riley*



**A** picnic table behind Dial Building provides Amanda Linebarger and Tessa McKenna a respite from classes.

**M**ark Salazar takes advantage of the equipment in the weight room to prepare for the upcoming basketball season.



**S**trength and Focus is Lauren Lingenfelter's mantra as she strength trains in the weight room.



**H**aving a blast in the bookstore, Donna Dial-Jacobs is hunting for bargains as she celebrates Halloween with her toy gun.



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*Serrell Chrishon Smith  
Lauren Hope Stauffer  
Dekel Angelo Strobles  
Kristen Marie Tillis*





# Full of Cheer

By Ryan Oxendine

**E**rica Jo Locklear, a native of Pembroke, continues to show her hometown spirit as a cheerleader for UNCP. The sophomore nursing major describes Pembroke as a small country-like town and says she enjoys being a cheerleader here and has made great friends with a lot of her teammates.

As a native, Erica appreciates one of the biggest advantages of commuting: "you get to be at home with your family." On the other hand, she also points out that "you don't get the feel of responsibility as you would if you stayed on campus."

Erica is majoring in nursing because she enjoys working with people. She said she was eager to see what the courses and faculty are like in that department. She also spends her time hanging out with her friends, family, and her boyfriend.

After completing her BSN, Erica hopes to graduate from ECU with her Master's in Nursing Anesthesia. She said she loves the atmosphere here at UNCP because it's small and you don't have to worry about being in a crowded classroom. To all incoming freshmen, Erica offers two words of advice: Study Hard!



*Cedric L. Turner*

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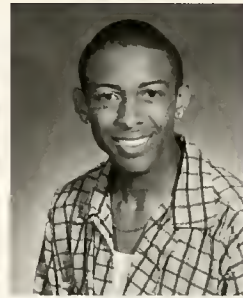
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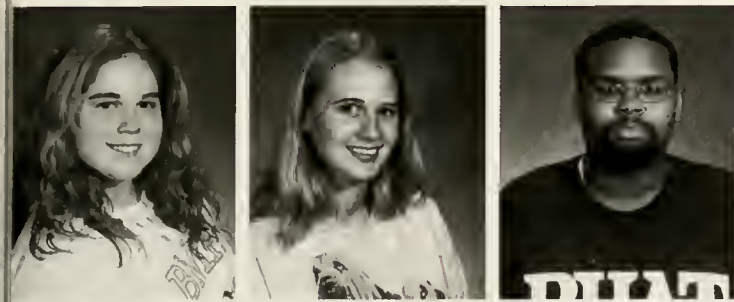
**T**he UNCP band blows away the competition with spirited tunes during Homecoming.



**J**ewel McIntyre performs with the Hip Hop Dance Team during the Homecoming Pep Rally.







*Samantha Marie Daniel*

*Bobbi Jo Davis*

*Brandon Foster Davis*



*Tiffany Tashanna Downing*

*Terry Dinardo Durham*

*Matthew J. Engle*



*Jessica Renee Faulkner*

*Angie Rae Fearrington*

*Sharisha Marie Fuller*

*Jennifer Marie Glasgow*



# Behind the Scenes

By Candice Gooch

**A**ctive, studious, and progressive, James Wyatt Phillips, or simply Wyatt to his friends, is a student on the go. A native of Burlington, NC. Wyatt chose UNCP because "it feels a lot like home here," he said, "It's busy, but you don't feel like a stranger."

Wyatt stumbled upon UNCP in a college guide and discovered that the university has one of only three student-run news programs in the country. As a Mass Communications major concentrating in Broadcasting, Wyatt enjoys being in front of and behind the camera. When he's not working diligently on homework or on the news broadcast, Wyatt enjoys writing, assisting with his high school marching band, and engaging in various research projects.

UNCP offers many outlets for Wyatt's ambition; he is a member of LSOP, APPLE Corps, and the College Republicans. Wyatt is an active member of the Republican Party of North Carolina and is contemplating a second major in Political Science. He aspires to work for the WXII TV station in Winston-Salem or in Charlotte and feels he will become well-equipped for a career while at UNCP: "What's great about UNC Pembroke is that I'm getting not only a terrific education, but on the job training as well."

For Wyatt, the greatest benefits of UNCP remain "the people and the size. The staff and professors are all very helpful, and they make you feel like more than a number."



# On Track

By Michael Pearce



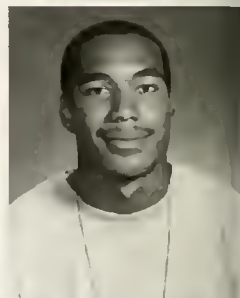
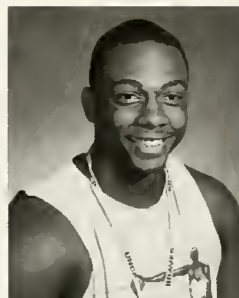
**H**eather Arlene Murray, whom many call "HAM" because of her initials, is a freshman from the rural town of Goldsboro, North Carolina, where she has lived for the past 10 years. While attending UNCP, Heather lives on campus; she says the advantages of living on campus include always being close to your classes and "you really get to know a lot more people."

Elementary Education was a logical choice for this student; "I like little kids and it's a guaranteed job," states Heather. Perhaps in preparation for chasing

students around a classroom, Heather is also involved in track, and even though she may not consider it cross-training, she values the social aspects of track, stating, "I've gotten to know even more people." Between running and studying, it's no wonder that Heather's number one hobby is sleeping!

Heather's exuberance and personable attitude is also reflected in her pick for her favorite professor; she says she admires Dr. Andrus most because he is "fun, young, and makes Biology great."

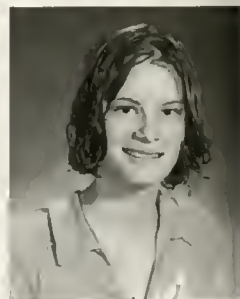
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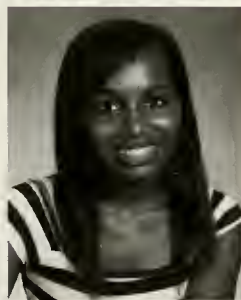


**A**bbey Pierce concentrates on her studies at a table outside of Bert's.

**F**riends gather in front of Locklear Hall on a sunny afternoon.



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Liana Marie King  
Kimberly Locklear*



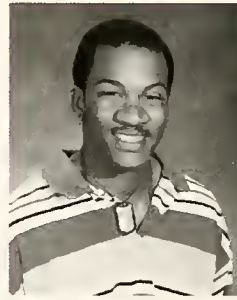
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Tracie Annette Orr  
Renotta Marie Peterson*



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Herman Matthew Russell  
Sharon Bernice Sanchez*



*Daniel Roy Schweigert  
Jacquelyn Louise Scott  
David O'Neil Dontavian Shepherd*



*Sharita Latrice Shepherd  
James Carnell Sibbett  
Leah Olivia Sisco*



# Power Ranger

By Phillip Gilbert



Michael J. Walker moved from Knightdale, North Carolina, to live on campus at Pembroke. He enjoys the convenience of living near everything on the campus, but living in West Hall loses its convenience when he's waked up in the middle of the night by fire alarms. This would be aggravating for most people, but for Michael, who awakens early for ROTC, it's more than frustrating.

Michael's major is Spanish because he thinks it will help him in his future profession in the military. He is currently in the Army Reserve and is stationed at Ft. Bragg. He is training for flight school after he attends basic training in the spring semester.

One of the most notable highlights of Michael's

first year at Pembroke was being one of the few freshmen to be selected for the Ranger team, a very physically demanding program. The team mainly consists of upperclassmen or men who have already served in the military.

Michael's favorite professor is MSgt. Johnny Torre, who has helped him develop toward becoming a better military leader.

Michael likes Pembroke but wishes there were more interesting things for him to do him outside of class. Overall, he feels that UNCP is a good university for the students who want focused attention from their professors and believes UNCP provides good services to aid in the students' success here.

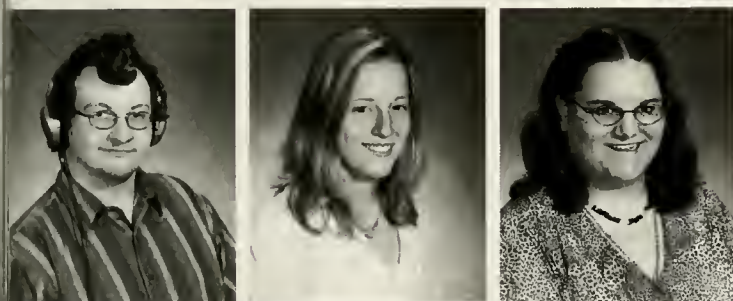




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Taniesha Monique Wilkerson*



*Jared Thomas Williams  
Victoria Marie Willis  
Julie Renee Wynne*



**S**isters of Zeta Tau Alpha get into the spirit at the soccer pep rally held to wish the team good luck in their NCAA tournament games.

**W**hat a relief! Students ease the tension of exams by making stressballs, courtesy of the Counseling and Testing Center.



**D**r. Diane Jones, Dr. Glen Burnette, and Ms. Sandra Waterkotte are among the administrators in attendance at the Fall Convocation.



## In Memoriam



**Dr. Paul Givens**  
Chancellor Emeritus

**Allen C. Meadors**  
Chancellor



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Provost and Vice Chancellor for  
Academic Affairs



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Advancement



**Neil Hawk**  
Vice Chancellor for Business  
Affairs



**Jackie Clark**  
Vice Chancellor for Enrollment  
Management



**Diane O. Jones**  
Vice Chancellor for Student  
Affairs





# Coleman Reaches Out

By Mark Schulman

**D**r. Collie Coleman has led a life full of extraordinary accomplishments as a world traveler in the Peace Corps and president of an accredited university. These events have brought him to UNCP as Associate Vice Chancellor for Outreach. Coleman's ultimate goal is for the average citizen in the region to say, "I'm glad UNCP is in the county because I can appreciate what it has done for the academic and economic development of our region."

Coleman is committed to excellence and sees life's experiences as an educational tool to teach that life is a continuing learning experience. His learning began as a small town boy with aspirations that were broader than the county line of Nash County. He grew up in the small rural town of Bailey, N.C., graduated from high school, and earned his undergraduate degree from Shaw University. During his last year at Shaw in 1966, he talked to a Peace Corps recruiter and was selected to travel to Nigeria to work for two years. In Nigeria,

he had an enormous responsibility to create a neighborhood atmosphere from large farm settlements owned by local farmers. This task gave the small town farm boy from Nash County a strong moral and ethical foundation for future achievements.

Coleman returned from Nigeria and earned a Ph.D. at Ohio State University. Years later, the opportunity to be president of Allen University would present itself. Following an illustrious decade at Allen, he was vice president for academic affairs at Shaw University and then served as executive vice president and chief academic officer for Voorhees College.

On Jan. 6, 2003, Coleman began heading the UNCP Outreach Program to address the region's struggling economy and lack of educational resources. UNCP plays a very important role in meeting the needs of the people by connecting education and the work force development. "The purpose of Outreach is exactly its inverse name—*Reach out*," Coleman said.



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*Vice Chancellor for University and Community Relations*

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*Associate Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs*

***Maurice Mitchell***

*Associate Vice Chancellor for Information Resources*



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Assistant Professor, Political Science and Public Administration



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*Janita Kay Byars*

Chair, Music

*Carmen F. Calabrese*

Associate Professor, Business Administration

*William H. Campbell*

Chair, Mathematics and Computer Science



## *In Memoriam*



*Dr. David Vanderhoof*

*Associate Professor*

*Sociology, Social Work, and Criminal Justice*

**S**allyann Clark and Dr. Jamie Litty of Mass Communications enjoy some refreshing soda with a friend at the BSU Commuter Lunch.







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*Judith G. Curtis*  
Assistant Professor, Mass Communications  
*Eric B. Dent*  
Dean, School of Business  
*Dr. James R. Frederick*  
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*Nicholas A. Giannatasio*  
Director, Graduate Programs in Public Administration  
*José Orlando Gómez*  
Instructor, Spanish  
*Janette K. Hopper*  
Chair, Art



*Charles Raymond Jenkins*  
Professor, Education  
*Chester Jordan*  
Professor, Theatre  
*Richmond Kania*  
Professor, Sociology, Social Work and Criminal Justice  
*Stanley G. Knick*  
Director, Native American Resource Center



# People's Lit

By Candice Gooch

**D**r. Robert Reising was born in New Haven, Connecticut, and came to UNCP in August of 1971. He came to UNCP because of the school's potential and the warm climate. Dr. Reising earned a Ph.D. in English Education from Duke University. He has extensive experience with public schools and public school teachers.

As he approaches the end of his final year on our faculty, Dr. Reising says he has enjoyed all of the classes he has taught. His favorite classes to teach are Native American Literature, Lumbie Literature and African

American Literature. His favorite book is *The Great Gatsby*, particularly the opening lines. In his spare time he enjoys sports consulting. While he enjoys sports and has a particular fondness for football, he would prefer to have the commitment to football channeled to a commitment towards Division 1 basketball.

Dr. Reising's favorite thing about UNCP is "the potential for growth and development." Even though this is his last year at UNCP, Dr. Reising has no plans to "stop working" in the near future.



# Things He Has Found

By Candice Gooch



**D**r. Steven Wesley Ramey is one of the newest faculty members in the Philosophy and Religion Department. Specializing in Asian religions, Dr. Ramey is adding new classes to the department's repertoire. Originally from Williamsburg, KY, Dr. Ramey received his doctorate degree from UNC Chapel Hill. He received his master's from Emory University in Atlanta.

When asked about his favorite part of UNC Pembroke, he responded by saying that he loved "the diversity of the university. Each person comes from such a different background, different religious beliefs, and that makes for a very unique experience in

the classroom." Drawn to UNCP for its location in the Southeastern United States and its diverse student body, Dr. Ramey and his family enjoy spending time together. When he isn't reading and writing papers, Dr. Ramey enjoys playing games, bird watching, and reading with his five-year-old son Rah. He also plays the piano and enjoys University of Kentucky basketball and eating at the Lumberton Pizza Hut with his wife and son.

An Indian proverb states that "you can often find in rivers what you cannot find in oceans." Because of its small yet diverse atmosphere, Dr. Ramey has found many good things at UNC Pembroke.

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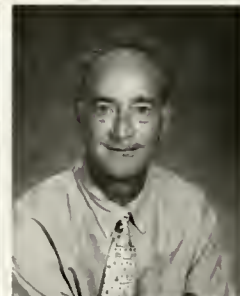
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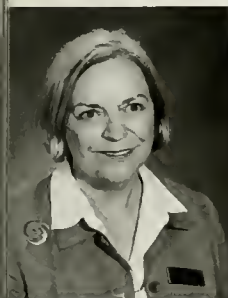
**O**h la la! Dr. Michael Spivey and Candice Gooch take in the sea air in Normandy, France, during the study tour Dr. Spivey conducted in the summer of 2004.



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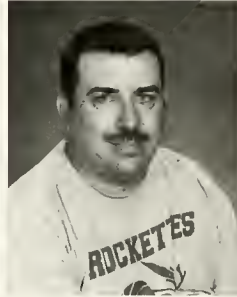
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Office Assistant, Counseling and Testing

*Emma Evans*

Administrative Secretary, Freshman Composition



# There and Back Again

By Candice Gooch

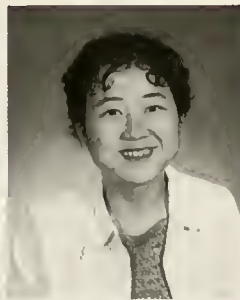


Whether she's behind the entrée counter or cooking hamburgers for hungry students, cafeteria worker Cindy Hammons can always be seen with a bright smile for everybody. Cindy has been working at UNCP's dining services for seven years, starting on the evening shift at Bert's, and over the years, Cindy's favorite part of her job has been the friendships she makes with students and faculty alike. "I have several regulars who I talk to everyday," she says.

A graduate of Purnell-Swett High School, then called South West Robeson High School, Cindy currently resides in Pembroke with her five children, ranging in ages from four to sixteen. Cindy enjoys

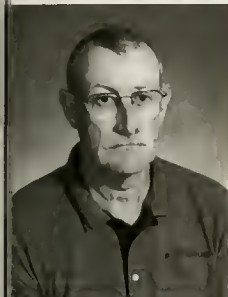
spending time with her children—playing games, cooking, reading books, watching movies like *Where the Red Fern Grows* and playing outside when the weather is nice. Currently her favorite thing to do with her children is to put together puzzles. "The last one we put together was one thousand pieces. With five children you never get bored," she says. On her own time Cindy reads mystery novels and loves to travel. While primarily a homebody, she has traveled as far as Baltimore and Indiana. But she always returns to UNCP, where she is surrounded by the love of her children, her co-workers, family and friends.





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**R**obert Canida, Director for  
 Minority Affairs, proudly leads  
 the Multicultural Center's Harmony  
 Walk.

**J**ames Bass aids a student in  
 Student Activities in the fall,  
 before his appointment as the new  
 director of Alumni Relations.



**C**ampus minister Ron Sanders reads a passage from scripture during a BSU leadership retreat.



**C**arol Hunt and her fellow staff member show their holiday spirit while collecting votes for Staff Member of the Year, an award to be presented at the campus Christmas social.



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# On a New Track

By Candice Goehj

She can be seen in the office of the Philosophy and Religion Department, with a warm smile and friendly word for all. She's Jamie Hall, one of UNCP's newest staff members. Jamie came to UNCP after a long stint at the Department of Motor Vehicles. Though working in law enforcement was satisfying, Jamie was eager to join a more nurturing, friendly atmosphere where she could be around people. "I'm a people person," she says. "I like to be around young people, and professors."

Jamie is not only a new staff member, but also a student, majoring in Mass Communications, specializing in Public Relations. When not working in the Philosophy and Religion Department, Jamie enjoys training horses professionally. She grew up around horses and finds training them good for the soul.

Jamie also enjoys camping, reading and listening to music. Her favorite song (currently) is "She Talks to Angels" by the Black Crows. As a student and a staff member, Jamie is certain to make her mark.



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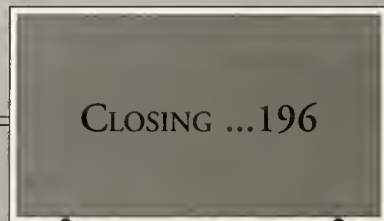
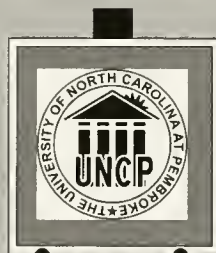
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# KEEP TRAVELING

The time has come for us to say goodbye. This year has taken us from rain to sunshine. As many leave UNCP, the roads remaining to be traveled are endless. For those who will return, the ride will not be that much longer. We must all continue to strive for the best, putting obstacles behind us.



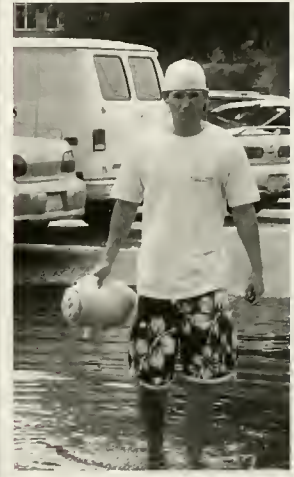


**G**raduates give one last hug as they make their way to destiny.



**T**his student's art gallery captivates us all.

**C**rossing the parking lot is a challenge for this student as he makes his way in high water during the September flood.



**C**rossing the railroad tracks, students gain entrance to the UNCP campus.

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**O**ld Main stands as the gatekeeper between train and campus (top), but these ladies don't let anything stop them from a good time over at the BSU house.

**K**atri Benjamin along with Lester Hinton and other students (right) listen closely as the Harmony Walk proceeds—a new event bringing new trains of thought to our campus community.





# FINAL STOP



**T**his is where we get off. The 2005 school year will be one to remember. I've always been told that good things come to those who wait. Our time has come, and now our journey has become complete. As we all go our separate ways, take the memories and experiences learned here with you for a lifetime. I hope that each of you has enjoyed this year's *Indianhead*. Thank you so much to everyone who has helped make this book a great success.



Candice Gooch smiles while on a break in France, while Jeshannah Ayala, Crystal Locklear, Nicole Graham, Tessa Mc Kenna, and Amanda Linebarger (below) work hard to finish Organizations pages.

I've gone through the fire and I've been through the flood. I've been broken into pieces with lightning flashing from above. Through it all I remember that He loves me and He cares and He'll never put more on me than I can bear.

This year has truly been an experience that I will never forget. There have been days when I felt unwanted, misused, and abused. Thoughts of giving up and walking away crossed my mind several times. I have always been a fighter, so I couldn't go out like that. I became more determined not to give up now. Somehow I managed to go an entire school year without a key to the yearbook office, but the work got done. Thank you, Ms. Emma, for always being there with a key. This book is dedicated to my parents for all their encouragement and prayers. For this I say, Lord, I thank you.

I would like to thank our advisor Ms. Sara Oswald for going the extra mile and helping me pull all of this together. Andrea P. Hickman, thanks you so much for all your hard work and great advice. I'll miss you. Special thanks goes out to Jennifer Key for all her long hours and early Saturday mornings. Thanks and appreciation are given to Joel Beachum for being a team player and stepping in where needed. A job well done is given to Candice Gooch for her hard work and dedication to this year's book. A thanks is given to Jamie Griffith for being an extra eye and checking lots of proofs. Thank you so much Nicole for organizing our office and being of assistance. To the classes and photography staff, I appreciate all of your hard work and I have enjoyed working with all of you.

A favorite song of mine says, "After everything I've been through I've still got joy." I am so glad to see this book complete. Thanks to everyone who made this book a great success. If I left anyone out please charge it to my head and not my heart. My ride here at UNCP has come to a joyous end. I wish you all much luck and success but most of all I wish you love and happiness for years to come. They're calling for me and, hey, you watch the news. Don't you?

Im Out.

**Cotina S. Ames**

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Cotina Ames and Jennifer Key spend long hours to get the job done. Hey, somebody bring us lunch!



**A**m I cropping this right? RoseAnna McClintock has to learn new skills quickly to get the book out on time.

**S**urprise! Here's photographer Gladys Walcott along with son Joshua. You're on the other side of the camera now.



**T**essa McKenna can't stop, won't stop, looking through the pictures now. Above her, Nathan Graham gives Jamie Griffith a piggy back ride as they make their way back to the office.

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