Chancellor Willie J. Gilchrist Launches new era
Dear Alumni and Friends:

The journey toward excellence continues...a new era unfolds with a great deal of spirit and enthusiasm.

I am honored to serve as Chancellor at Elizabeth City State University where faculty and staff are passionate and committed to the academic well-being and personal development of our students. We are determined to offer the best academic programs. Our best programs will attract esteemed professors and highly skilled staff to create a challenging environment for our students.

During the past 12 months, I have traveled across North Carolina and as far as Africa celebrating the success of ECSU. These visits demonstrate the connection between the university, our alumni and supporters who are focused on the advances we are making. We are proud to say ECSU faculty and staff successfully completed over 1 million instructional materials for Senegalese school children before their 2008 deadline. Their goal was to provide 600,000 books and learning materials by 2008. I traveled to Senegal with Dr. Johnny Houston to meet Mrs. Laura Bush and Senegalese educators to celebrate the completion of this phase of President Bush’s Africa Education Initiative.

ECSU is entering the second year of the pharmacy program with 37 students. We’ve also formed economic development partnerships to enhance our aviation science program. To our credit, ECSU is the only campus in the University of North Carolina system offering a Bachelor of Science degree in Aviation Science. This program is attentively structured to propel students into a range of new career opportunities within the aviation industry.

The campus was buzzing during the summer session with over 1,100 young people. This record number not only included ECSU summer school students but numerous first time visitors such as Upward Bound students from Halifax County and the “I Have a Dream” Foundation students from Richmond, Va. ECSU collaborated with Mr. Ken Henshaw, chairman of the ECSU Foundation, to bring Richmond high school students to our campus for an intensive 10-day college preparatory program.

Hats off to Professor Emeritus Bishop N. Patterson who recently made a generous contribution to the university resulting in a building naming opportunity. A ceremony will soon be held to rename Dixon Hall (Dixon-Patterson).

I’m extremely grateful for your continued support as we travel on this journey...our path toward excellence. Our future is bright; our commitment to the mission of ECSU is solid!

Enjoy the magazine. We look forward to seeing you at a host of public events this year at ECSU!

Dr. Willie J. Gilchrist
Chancellor
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ON THE COVER
Dr. Willie J. Gilchrist, Chancellor
ELIZABETH CITY STATE UNIVERSITY
At the March 15 meeting of the University of North Carolina Board of Governors, UNC President Erskine Bowles announced the selection of Dr. Willie J. Gilchrist as ECSU’s ninth Chief Executive Officer. The new Chancellor, surrounded by excited family members, faculty, staff and colleagues, rose to the podium vowing to strengthen the university and make it more resourceful. Since that day, he’s walked a brisk pace making good on those promises.

His travel log includes a historical celebration in Jarvisburg, NC; a graduation ceremony in Upper Marlboro, MD, a ceremony at a Richmond, Va elementary school, and numerous regional church celebrations and civic club meetings. Chancellor Gilchrist has used speaking engagements to promote the virtues of this 116-year-old public institution. With 33 years of experience as a public school teacher and administrator to his credit, Chancellor Gilchrist realizes that potential students and university supporters come from all walks of life.

“I have made myself available to our region because I strongly believe in Elizabeth City State University; strongly believe this university will increase in students. I feel that this university is an economic engine for northeast North Carolina,” Chancellor Gilchrist said. “We have such powerful programs but people are not aware of them, so speaking engagements give me an opportunity to boast about our programs.”

“We have aviation science, pharmacy, biology, teacher education, and entrepreneurial programs available to citizens of Elizabeth City and the surrounding area. We have one of the best recording studios that can be supported by radio and TV stations in terms of a future marketing tool,” Dr. Gilchrist said.

The future is within sight as construction crews complete renovations of Lane Hall, and plans for the preservation of Symera Hall unfold. ECSU, he says, is a diamond in the rough, a jewel that must be polished to make it even better.

“I want to be part of that process, but we must continue making the university accessible and affordable. While we boast a retention rate in the 70th percentile, I want to boast a percentile of 90 to 100 percent. I want our university to be so appealing that students not only want to come here, but stay here.”

Chancellor Gilchrist can readily testify to the long-term impression a university can make on it students. He arrived as a student from New York late in the 1960s and graduated in 1973. He fondly recalls buildings from that decade that are now staples of the campus. There were exciting basketball games at Williams Hall, a new cafeteria, Bedell Hall and new residence halls, Womack and Mitchell-Lewis, that allowed more on-campus residency. Johnson Hall was also a recent addition, at the time, with its modern classrooms. As a student, he met several professors who motivated him to prepare for a career of educating youths to reach their full potential. Here he met his wife...
Jacqueline, who also had an extensive career as an educator. As he rose through the ranks as a teacher, principal and superintendent, he learned valuable lessons that are relevant to his current position.

“Being a superintendent gave me an opportunity to work with several sectors—administrators, principles, staff directors and teachers. It gave me an opportunity to provide leadership to a high quality staff. I equate that to now working with our deans and professors.”

“I worked close to parents so I could understand what they desired for their young people. I bring that experience to the table—something that most chancellors won’t bring. Under the norm, Chancellors do not build a rapport with students; they build a rapport with alums, donors, faculty and staff. Yet, the key to it all is building a compassionate relationship with students.”

His experience on the UNC Board of Governors provided a keen perspective of the challenges facing the state’s 17 public institutions. Several factors must never be overlooked in the quest to advance the quality of education offered at ECSU.

“If we are going to maintain and keep learning exciting, we must provide opportunities for professors to form partnerships with others. We need to provide professional development for them as well. All of us can broaden our scope by being actively involved in learning. It’s important to conduct research and to provide our professors with ways to reach beyond the classroom. We must also provide internships and fellowships to make it exciting for students.”

The scope of his long-term strategy is not limited to currently enrolled students but those advancing toward high school. Attracting the best and brightest will call for more academic competitions and events that encourage youngsters to attend college. He is keenly aware of the opportunities and challenges that are unique to this era of higher education. During the June meeting of the ECSU Board of Trustees, Chancellor Gilchrist forewarned the audience that new strategies must be adopted to address the changes in North Carolina’s population.

“We must stay mindful of the growing Hispanic population here. We must look at future employees from that sector. As we bring them on, that will attract the Hispanic students. The country we reside in is a country of all nationalities, so we can not leave anyone behind.”

“One of the initiatives we continue working on is partnerships with community colleges where teacher assistants are earning their associate degrees. I was one of the first superintendents to push the 2 + 2 program to allow teacher assistants to earn a degree because they have the classroom experience. We call them Home Grown Teachers because our partnership with community colleges brings them here for the two additional years of study beyond the associate’s degree.”

The Chancellor’s voice is calm, but laced with confidence that the university is poised to prepare students of various ages and socioeconomic backgrounds for the future. He strongly suggests that the university must carefully select those programs that prepare students for professions that suit the nation’s greatest needs. We must also make the university more accessible. Accordingly, the Chancellor is determined to extend the university’s services beyond its physical location.

“There is an evolution, a change underway. If we continue to do business as we have always done it, then we are stagnant. We must look at online degrees and bring forth new masters degrees.”

“We have the integrity and fortitude to bring in the programs that will prepare students for a workforce that demands certain characteristics and efficiencies to be successful. That’s important.”
U.S. Rep. Elijah Cummings urges spring graduates to use all they were taught at ECSU in their chosen professions.

“Graduates, you have a duty to go out and be shining examples for others. Stand up for what you believe in. I get so tired of people who fail to synchronize their conscience with their conduct,” Cummings said.
Elizabeth City State University held its Spring Commencement with U.S. Rep. Elijah Cummings (D-Maryland) as its keynote speaker. Cummings is a seven-term congressman representing Maryland’s Seventh Congressional District.

Rep. Cummings is a senior member of the House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure and serves on the Committee’s Subcommittee on Highways and Transit and the Subcommittee on Railroads, Pipelines and Hazardous Materials. He is the chairman of the Committee’s Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation, which is responsible for overseeing the operations of the U.S. Coast Guard and for setting policy priorities for all aspects of maritime transportation in the United States.

Currently a member of the 110th Congress, Cummings is a sponsor of initiatives to secure our homeland, increase access to college, promote sound health care policy, protect workers’ rights, end global warming, and provide seniors with affordable prescription drugs. Additionally, Rep. Cummings has made it a priority during his tenure in Congress to ensure that all children have access to a high quality education, specifically through the reauthorization and full funding of the No Child Left Behind Act.

As Cummings stood before 326 graduates and a jubilant Roebuck Stadium audience, he urged them to remember that each person is unique and capable of achieving. Each person, he said, should cultivate what is already inside them.

“My mother used to say, one of the hardest things for people to do is to be the person God meant for them to be because they allow so many people to interfere with their path,” Cummings said. “I beg you to go out there and use all of the wonderful things you have been taught at Elizabeth City State University; remember this faculty that has touched your life.”

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Cummings recalled the determination of his parents who moved from South Carolina to Baltimore, MD in search of better opportunities. Though not college educated, his parents managed to educate all seven of their children. He credits them with also teaching their children that they had a duty to give something back. God, he said, increases our capacity in order to bless others.

“Graduates, you have a duty to go out and be shining examples for others. Stand up for what you believe in. I get so tired of people who fail to synchronize their conscience with their conduct,” Cummings said. “Don’t be Mr. Ordinary or Miss. Ordinary, watching TV while life passes you by. Class of 2007, you made it. Go out there and make a difference!”

SPRING 2007 GRADUATES

Within minutes, the graduates strode across a rose decorated commencement stage that would steer them to varied career paths. First, were recipients of master’s degrees, three in elementary education one in biology to mark the first graduate of the new Master of Science degree in biology.

Next across the stage were four undergraduate North Carolinians who made ECSU history as the first quads to become “Bearers of the Mace.” The privilege of bearing the mace is usually reserved for the non-transfer graduating senior with the highest cumulative grade point average. In most cases, the university had one or two people to bear the mace. However, four young ladies earned a cumulative grade point average of 4.0 and qualified as bearers of the mace. In addition to this historic academic feat, two of the students are twins with the same major.

Faculty members, seated nearby the graduates, recalled outstanding students who are poised to become torch bearers in professions that span the world: Shay V.

Luu, a summa cum laude graduate who completed his psychology degree here in three years; Jerome Mitchell (computer science) a magna cum laude graduate whose research of polar ice sheets led him to Antarctica; Salimah Cogbill, a summa cum laude graduate, volunteer tutor, and recipient of the prestigious Evans-Patterson Science Award for seniors majoring in biology; Stephen McIntyre (graphic design) a cum laude graduate and recipient of the Academic Achievement Award in art; and Willie Brown, an aviation science graduate, the first from that department to complete a solo flight as a student pilot. Student Government Association graduates included the president, James Stratford (political science); treasurer, Kevin Leonard (sociology); corresponding secretary, Ashley Harris (English); vice president of public relations, Andrew Vincent (computer science); Miss ECSU, Ashley Edwards (criminal justice); and Mr. ECSU, Patrick Shealey (physics).
For the third consecutive year, the Spring Arts Festival showcased some of the region’s most talented young artists. With help from community participants, festival organizers completed a sequence of events that not only entertained, but informed.

This year, organizers added poster displays from the History and Political Science Department and a Charlotte, NC, based theatrical company, Life as Art Production Company, to the schedule. Other new community participants included the Chowan Arts Council, Expressions Dance Academy, and vendors. Dr. Jennifer Keane-Dawes, former dean of the School of Arts and Humanities and chairperson of the Spring Arts Festival Committee, said those and other additions reflected the committee’s efforts to expand the festival.

“We are very pleased with the number of elementary school students and teachers who came from as far as Rocky Mount to participate in the hands-on science, music, and reading activities, a collaboration between Port Discover and the School of Arts and Humanities,” Dr. Keane-Dawes said. “The children were very excited to observe and learn about reptiles such as snakes and alligators.”

A representative from the North Carolina Aquarium at Roanoke Island brought small reptiles to the Fine Arts Center for the children’s viewing. Later, the youths saw a selection of merchandise made from reptile skin. To the delight of Dr. Keane-Dawes, another community participant, the Chowan Arts Council, included their display of the Bill of Rights to the list of Spring Arts Festival Events.

“Community participants such as those help us create a greater awareness. Culture and art encompasses different forms not just music. It looks at our entire environment and other species of life which create a foundation for artistic expressions. With each passing year, the festival will expand to the size of other regionally recognized festivals, so I appreciate small beginnings as the hope that it will expand to something greater.”

Dr. Keane-Dawes applauded faculty and staff for producing quality programs for the community’s benefit. While the festival succeeded in inspiring and entertaining audiences with performing artists, other participants took on the role of informing the public.

The Clothesline Project of Northeastern NC, in collaboration with the Women’s Center in the department of Social Sciences, posted a clothesline of T-shirts to serve as a visual display of domestic violence issues facing American women, men, and children.

A similar national project included art-decorated T-shirts to publicize the victims’ plight. Dr. Brenda Norman, a volunteer with the project and a professor in the Social Sciences Department, said the project was very informative for the public.

“We felt it would be a good opportunity to improve public awareness. We wanted to expose them to the issues that were posted on the T-shirt clothesline. Several people stopped and read the T-shirts and others volunteered to place their domestic violence messages on the shirts.”

Dr. Keane-Dawes, who revived the Spring Arts Festival in 2004, said she hopes more people will schedule the festival on their calendars next year. No community, as rich as this region, should miss the opportunities for relaxation and learning that a good festival provides, she said.
Two National Park Service markers now relay the details that slavery anchored in this coastal community centuries ago. Both the Pasquotank River and the Dismal Swamp were escape routes to freedom.

At a riverfront ceremony on June 11, the National Park Service unveiled markers to help visitors understand that chapter of American history and the waterway’s significance as a path to freedom. The markers recognize the Pasquotank River and the Elizabeth City State University (ECSU) Great Dismal Swamp Boardwalk Project as an official part of the National Underground Railroad Network to Freedom.

“Waterways and natural land features acted as both ‘abolitionist’ and ‘conductor’ for enslaved African Americans,” said Barbara Tagger, southeast region program manager for the National Underground Railroad Network to Freedom and an NPS historian. “It was like a map. If they knew how the waterways progressed, they would follow them north, and in some cases south, to freedom.”

Tagger, who helped Elizabeth City, Pasquotank County and Camden County officials dedicate the markers, said the Pasquotank River is the first river in the United States to be recognized in the NPS Network to Freedom program.

“In this particular part of North Carolina, the Pasquotank River was integral to the Underground Railroad because of the number of boats and ships that came to that area and made their way north,” said Tagger.

The Pasquotank River and Great Dismal Swamp are part of the Intracoastal Waterway. The Pasquotank River, was once an important transportation link between the Albemarle Sound and the Chesapeake Bay. During the 1800s, the river and Elizabeth City bustled with activity as ships, steamers and boats disembarked from the waterfront to transport goods and people throughout the South. Some freedom seekers stowed away on the vessels. Others were hired by boat owners and gained transportation to points north where they sought independence as workmen. Upon reaching Elizabeth City, a number of freedom seekers sought refuge in the Great Dismal Swamp, an enormous track of forested wetlands that straddles the North Carolina/Virginia state line. Many used the swamp as a stopping place, before continuing on their journey. Some even made a home in the wilderness, living off the land and bartering with local farmers for food and supplies.

Wanda McLean, a local researcher and a 30-year ECSU staff member, has been tracing the Underground Railroad in northeast North Carolina since 1977. Initially, she was surprised to find available documentation on the region’s historical path to freedom. Through those years of study, she found evidence of slave advertisements, threats of slave revolts, free and slave workers who manned vessels along the Atlantic sea coast. Now that the markers are available, McLean says more people are learning the role the river played in the underground railroad.

“Those markers will encourage more adults and children to do research. One marker has been posted at the downtown waterfront and another will be posted soon on campus,” McLean said. “There is more information out there than people realize, so you can actually document this history.”

Hired slave labor dug the Dismal Swamp Canal, the oldest manmade waterway in the country, in 1793. The Pasquotank River, which forms the Elizabeth City waterfront, was given designation on the Network to Freedom in 2004. The ECSU Great Dismal Swamp Boardwalk Project received its designation in 2003. The half-mile long boardwalk and observation tower provide access to 639 miles of wetlands wilderness area for use by ECSU in research and educational activities.

A third Elizabeth City area site, the Dismal Swamp State Park was designated in 2003. A marker is planned for this site, as well.
Through an innovative four-way partnership between the “I Have a Dream” Foundation-Richmond (IHAD), Elizabeth City State University (ECSU), Page Development Company, and the City of Richmond Public Schools, 15 students, currently enrolled at George W. Wythe High School in Richmond, VA, were awarded scholarships for a summer internship at ECSU. The intensive 10-day program, which began on June 24, focused on English composition and literature. The sessions allowed each student to earn three college credits before graduating from high school. The interns’ scholarships, funded by Page Development Company and ECSU, provided funds for all expenses including tuition, room and board, meals, learning materials, and transportation.

One of the primary goals of the internship program, was to demonstrate to the interns and their families that college enrollment and attendance are achievable. A secondary goal of the program was to serve as a community outreach program for ECSU. The intensive 10-day program, which began on June 24, focused on English composition and literature. The sessions allowed each student to earn three college credits before graduating from high school. The interns’ scholarships, funded by Page Development Company and ECSU, provided funds for all expenses including tuition, room and board, meals, learning materials, and transportation.

Richmond Wythe High School Students Selected for Summer Internships

During the 2007-2008 academic year, Chancellor Willie J. Gilchrist said he is pleased the university could participate in this partnership. “For 116 years, ECSU has made dreams come true for the thousands of students who graduated from this public institution. At the core of our mission is our pledge to offer a challenging, student-centered learning environment that prepares students for leadership,” Gilchrist said.

Since the inception of the National “I Have a Dream” Foundation in 1986, 189 individuals, groups, foundations, faith-based institutions, community organizations, and universities have started “I Have a Dream” programs, which serve nearly 14,000 children with long-term, high-quality, supportive supplementary education and enrichment programs, continuing mentor relationships, and guarantees of financial support for higher education.
Interim Executive Assistant to the Chancellor
Ms. Gwendolyn Sanders has been named Interim Executive Assistant to the Chancellor. Ms. Sanders has previously served as the Director of Alumni Relations at Elizabeth City State University for the past two years. Ms. Sanders has more than 18 years of experience in corporate logistics management. From 2000-2004, Ms. Sanders served as a project manager for a major consulting firm in Rockville, MD. Ms. Sanders received a B.A. in English from Elizabeth City State University (’77).

Interim Assistant to the Chancellor for Planning, Assessment and Outreach
Dr. Margery Coulson-Clark has been named Interim Assistant to the Chancellor for Planning, Assessment and Outreach. Dr. Coulson-Clark has served at Elizabeth City State University for nearly eight years in various faculty and administrative positions, including Interim Chair for the Department of Social Sciences, Assistant Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs, Director of Institutional Research and Assessment and Associate Professor. She has also served as Director for Academic and Student Services (Montgomery College), Director of Institutional Research and Planning and Graduate Assistant Professor – Public Administration (Kentucky State University), Planning, Budget and Institutional Effectiveness Specialist (Kentucky State University). Dr. Coulson-Clark earned a bachelor’s degree from Berea College, and a master’s degree and Ph.D. from the University of Kentucky.

Interim Director of the Office of Graduate Education
Dr. Paula Viltz has been named Director of the Office of Graduate Education. Dr. Viltz previously served as associate professor in the School of Education & Psychology and former director of Teacher Education. She has also served as the Technical Support Director for District of Columbia Public Schools prior to joining Elizabeth City State University in 2000. Dr. Viltz earned her Ed. D. degree from Grambling University, and a M.A. and B.S. degrees from Northern Illinois University.

Interim Director of Alumni Relations
Mr. Tyron W. Eason has been named Interim Director of Alumni Relations. Mr. Eason previously held the rank of Lieutenant Colonel in the United States Army and served as Chief of Operations and Plans at Fort Monroe, VA. With more than 21 years of experience in operations, logistics, and personnel management, he is a life member of the ECSU National Alumni Association and previously served as president of the Cynthia M. Clayton Military Alumni Chapter. Mr. Eason brings a wealth of knowledge to ECSU. He received a M.S. in Human Resources Management from Troy State University and a B.S. in geology from Elizabeth City State University (’86).

Director of Radio and Television Services
Mrs. Melba Y. Smith has been appointed Director of Radio and Television Services. Mrs. Smith previously held the position of TV General Manager and Director of Television Services at ECSU. She received a master’s degree in Communication from Regent University and a B.S. degree in Media Arts and Design from James Madison University.
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Dr. Jimmy R. Jenkins is keynote speaker for Founders Day

Celebrating 116 years of public higher education, Elizabeth City State University celebrated Founders Day in the auditorium of the Fine Arts Center on March 9 with Dr. Jimmy R. Jenkins, Sr., former chancellor of ECSU and current president of Livingstone College, as the keynote speaker.

With a history that spans several decades with his alma mater, Jenkins served as the Chancellor of ECSU from 1984 to 1995 and became the first alumnus to serve as its chief executive officer. During his tenure, he garnered the support of the State Legislature of North Carolina for construction of six major buildings on the ECSU campus. He also launched a $5 million capital campaign and completed the fundraising a year ahead of schedule. In appreciation for his many contributions and tireless commitment to ECSU, the then newly constructed science building was named in Jenkins’s honor.

After his departure from ECSU, Jenkins served as President of Edward Waters College in Jacksonville, Florida from 1997 to 2005. During those eight years, the college expanded its faculty and broke ground on its first new building in decades, reduced its debt from $8.5 million to $500,000 in three years, and increased its enrollment from 300 to 1,300 students.

In 2005, Jenkins was appointed President of Livingstone College in Salisbury, North Carolina. As the 12th chief executive officer, he is providing visionary and progressive leadership for that institution.

Technology Department now authorized CISCO Networking Academy

Boasting a comprehensive, program that provides students with essential information technology skills, Elizabeth City State University is proud to announce it is now an authorized Cisco Networking Academy and will offer the CISCO Networking Academy program through its Technology Department. The Networking Academy delivers web-based content, online assessment, student performance tracking, hands-on labs, instructor training and support, and preparation for industry standard computer networking certifications.

Under the direction of Dr. Cynthia Warrick, Drs. Ellis Lawrence and Kuldeep Rawat started working in the beginning of spring 2007 to establish CISCO Academy at Elizabeth City State University. Acting as the liaison between the academy and ECSU, Lawrence will manage the overall quality of the networking academy offerings, maintain the list of course offerings, and maintain a list of non-student users and related staff and faculty. Rawat will serve as the lead instructor for the local academy.

Established in 1997 with 64 participating educational institutions, the program has expanded to more than 150 with three tiers of training. Industry experts at CISCO Systems train the instructor trainers at the CISCO Academy Training Centers (CATCs). The CATC Instructors train regional academy instructors and the regional academy instructors train the local academy instructors who then educate students. Lawrence and Rawat completed CISCO Certified Network Associate track; (networking basics; routing and routing basics, switching basics and intermediate routing, and WAN technologies) at a Regional CISCO Academy before setting up the local academy at ECSU. Utilizing this three-tier training model helps to provide instructors the training they need in close proximity to where they are located.

Created by industry and education professionals, the curriculum, which will also be offered online, prepares students for the demands of the workplace and motivates them to continue their education and learning.
Ella Fitzgerald, who won 13 Grammy awards and sold more than 40 million albums during her career, became the 30th African-American to be featured on the Black Heritage Postal Stamp, which honors outstanding activists, theorists, educators, and leaders. Officials from the Elizabeth City post office unveiled the Fitzgerald stamp at ECSU on Wednesday, February 16 at the K. E. White Graduate Center in a special event which also welcomed Elizabeth City's first African American postmaster, Kesha Holifield. The ECSU Jazz Ensemble provided selections of Fitzgerald's music in celebration of “The First Lady of Song.” Fitzgerald’s fans remember her for a repertoire of ballads and jazz lead vocals for some of the most widely acclaimed orchestras in the world.

Dr. Claudie Mackey
Receives the UNC Board of Governors Award for Excellence in Teaching

The Board of Governors of the University of North Carolina selected its most outstanding faculty to receive the 13th Annual Awards for Excellence in Teaching. During a recognition luncheon held in conjunction with the Board’s May 11 meeting, a faculty member from each of the 16 UNC campuses received a commemorative bronze medallion and a $7,500 cash prize. Dr. Claudie Mackey, a professor in the ECSU School of Education and Psychology, was the recipient of the award at Elizabeth City State University.

The 16 recipients, representing an array of academic disciplines, were nominated by special committees on their home campuses and selected by the Board of Governors Committee on Personnel and Tenure, chaired by Charles Mercer of Raleigh.

For over 40 years, Mackey has dedicated himself to public education, motivated by a personal philosophy that “education is a process in which individuals help each other to clarify personal learning.” That interaction, combined with high expectations, is the reason so many students and peers respond to Mackey’s leadership.

Joining the ECSU faculty in 1977, Mackey earned his baccalaureate degree in business education from ECSU, a master’s degree in education from Hofstra University, and a certificate of advanced graduate studies and a doctoral degree in education from Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University. Mackey has served as a professor and interim Dean of the School of Education and Psychology, as Associate Vice Chancellor of Academic Affairs and External Relations, and on numerous university and state committees to facilitate grant funded educational programs for prospective students at ECSU. Currently, Mackey serves on the National Council for Accreditation for Teacher Education and the North Carolina Department of Public Instruction steering committee. He is co-founder of the Down East Viking Football Classic and a member of its executive committee.

Established by the Board of Governors in 1994 to underscore the importance of teaching and to reward good teaching across the University, the awards are given annually to a tenured faculty member from each UNC campus. Winners must have taught at their present institutions at least seven years. No one may receive the award more than once.
The Division of Academic Affairs at Elizabeth City State University announced the 2007 Departmental Teachers of the Year. These instructors contributed to overall quality of education at ECSU with a host of outstanding contributions to students in the classrooms and in organizations or activities that supplement classroom instruction. In recognition of their service, each received a plaque and a monetary reward. This year’s recipients are Dr. Margaret Young, Department of Biology; Dr. Rebecca M. Seaman, Department of History; Dr. Kulwinder P. Kaur-Walker, Department of Psychology; and Ms. Carol Jo Evans, Department of Social Sciences.

Each year, The Board of Governors of the University of North Carolina selects its most outstanding faculty to receive the 13th Annual Awards for Excellence in Teaching, with one recipient from each of its 16 campuses. Dr. Claudie Mackey, a professor in the ECSU School of Education and Psychology, was this year’s recipient from ECSU. First runner-up was Dr. Edmond B. Koker, Department of Chemistry and Physics. Dr. Joseph Lisowski, Department of Language, Literature and Communications, was second runner-up.

Recipients of the Departmental Teachers of the Year awards, standing left to right, Dr. Kulwinder Kaur-Walker, Dr. Rebecca Seaman and Dr. Margaret Young, received flowers after being announced Departmental Teachers of the Year at the 144th Commencement.

Dr. Claudie Mackey, center, the recipient of the UNC Board of Governor’s Annual Award for Excellence in Teaching celebrates during commencement with first runner-up Dr. Edmond B. Koker, right, and second runner-up Dr. Joseph Lisowski.
Aviation Science Advisory Board
Will play important role in future of program

Created to provide recommendations to the Dean of the School of Mathematics, Science & Technology and the Aviation Science Program, the Elizabeth City State University Aviation Science Advisory Board will become an important resource for addressing the future needs of the aviation and aerospace industries, as well as staying abreast of current trends in the industries.

“The Board will be an important resource in helping us structure our Aviation Science program,” says Dr. Cynthia Warrick, Dean of the School. “Its recommendations will be integral in ensuring future jobs for our graduates.”

Made up of representatives from government, academia, and industry who are experts in the areas of aviation science, air flight, aviation & aerospace technology, and airport management, the first Advisory Board, along with members of ECSU’s faculty and other guest observers, met on February 14 during the School’s Annual Research Week. The two-hour meeting was instrumental in developing and strengthening partnerships that will play important roles in the future of the Aviation Science program.

Some of the topics discussed during the meeting include aircraft maintenance and replacement, expanding faculty, revising curriculum, and redefining program priorities.
Monica Hargrave, an acclaimed harpist and guest performer for the Lyceum Series at Elizabeth City State University, performed for hundreds of area school children and the public in the Robinson Auditorium of the Mickey L. Burnim Fine Arts Center.

Hargrave performed classical music, jazz, pop music, and the music from the Broadway musical "The Lion King." She earned a Bachelor of Music in Harp Performance from Indiana University School of Music and a Master of Arts in Music from the Interdenominational Theological Center in Atlanta, GA. Hargrave has recorded three CDs, "Divine Time," "Divine Season," and "Harp to Heart" and currently serves as the principal harpist with the Albany (Georgia) and Gainesville (Georgia) Symphony orchestras. She has also performed frequently with the Greenville, Macon, and Columbus, GA symphonies and has accompanied some of America’s most celebrated recording artists, including Natalie Cole, Aretha Franklin, Ray Charles, and Johnny Mathis.

The Lyceum Series is provided free by the university for the community’s cultural enrichment. The university offers matinee performances for school children and a separate, evening concert for the public.

The School of Arts and Humanities celebrates the recent accreditation of two of its programs: social work and music. The social work program is accredited by the Council on Social Work Education until 2011. This program is part of the Department of Social Sciences which confers baccalaureate degrees in the following disciplines: sociology, social work and criminal justice.

The music department is now accredited by the National Association of Schools of Music until the next scheduled review of the program in 2012.

The Music Department offers the following Baccalaureate degrees: the Bachelor of Arts in Music degree with a concentration in composition or performance, a Bachelor of Arts degree leading to music education licensure, and the Bachelor of Science degree in music industry studies (with a concentration in either sound recording technology or music or business.)
Elizabeth City State University (ECSU) was founded on March 3, 1891, when the North Carolina General Assembly enacted House Bill 383. Hugh Cale, an African American representative from Pasquotank County, sponsored the bill to establish a normal school for the specific purpose of “teaching and training teachers of the colored race to teach in the common schools of North Carolina.” Between 1891 and 1928, curricula and resources were expanded under the leadership of the first appointed president, Peter Wedderick Moore. Enrollment increased from 23 to 335 and the faculty from 2 to 15 members by the time Dr. Moore retired as President-Emeritus on July 1, 1928.

In 1937, under the leadership of its second president, John Henry Bias, the institution was elevated from a two-year normal school to a four-year teachers college. Bias served as president from July 1, 1928 until his death on July 15, 1939. The institution’s name was officially changed to Elizabeth City State Teachers College on March 30, 1939 and the college’s mission was expanded to include “the training of elementary school principals for rural and city schools.” This paved the way for the college to award the first Bachelor of Science degrees in elementary education in May 1939.

A vocational-technical program was organized in 1957 and curricular offerings were expanded between 1959 and 1963 from a single elementary education major to 12 additional academic majors. Currently, ECSU offers 38 bachelor’s degree programs in the basic arts and sciences, 4 Master’s Degree programs in Biology, Elementary Education, Mathematics and School Administration and a pharmacy degree program in collaboration with UNC-Chapel Hill (August 2005) through four schools—the School of Arts and Humanities, the School of Business and Economics, the School of Education and Psychology, and the School of Mathematics, Science and Technology.

In December 1961, the college was granted full membership in the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools. Its accreditation has since been reaffirmed. The General Assembly changed the college’s name from Elizabeth City Teachers College to Elizabeth City State College in 1963. Effective July 1, 1969, the General Assembly redefined The University of North Carolina system to include all 16 public senior institutions. This action led to ECSU’s inclusion as a constituent institution of the University of North Carolina in July 1972.

Having begun operations on January 4, 1892, in rented quarters with a budget of $900, the university can boast of many significant achievements today. In fall 2006, the university made history with its highest enrollment ever of 2,681 demographically and socially diverse students. The campus now consists of 862 acres, of which 200 are developed. As of spring 2007 the university has conferred 15,805 students with undergraduate and graduate degrees. Further, ECSU is a fully comprehensive institution of higher learning possessing over 199,880 books, 487,732 microforms, 77 databases, 1,297 sound recordings, 390 videotapes and films, and 1,735 serials and subscriptions.

Academically, ECSU has repeatedly been ranked in the top five by U.S. News & World Report in the category of “Top Public Comprehensive Colleges” in the South (1999-2006); The Educational Trust, NCAA Foundation and USA Today recognized ECSU for its high graduation rates amongst its students as well as student-athletes (2001-2005); the Center for Excellence in Remote Sensing Education opened in partnership with NASA (2003); and ECSU offers the only Aviation Science degree program (August 2003) in the northeastern North Carolina region.

Physically, the campus is growing and transitioning to better accommodate faculty and students. A new Physical Education/Field House was constructed (2003), two new student residence halls—University Suites and Viking Village opened (2004); and a new 30,000 sq. ft. Student Center (2005). Renovations to several lecture halls and dormitories, the Chancellor’s residence and the construction of new parking lots are also underway. In addition, the campus will soon welcome the addition of a permanent state-of-the-art pharmacy building scheduled to open in 2010.

Athletically, ECSU is experiencing unprecedented athletic dominance. The men’s (Vikings) basketball team won the 2007 CIAA Championship and the women’s (Lady Viking) basketball team won the 2007 CIAA Eastern Division Championship; both men’s and women’s basketball teams competed in the 2007 NCAA II Playoffs; the Viking football team won the CIAA Eastern Division Championship in 2006; and the ECSU baseball team won the 2005 CIAA Championship.
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ECSU Annual Retiree’s Reception
An elegant and festive retiree’s reception was held April 2007 to honor 11 ECSU faculty and staff members who provided more than 272 years of service to the university. Chancellor Willie J. Gilchrist applauded the contributions and service that all 11 honorees provided and shared that each person will truly be missed. The honorees stated they will remain active in campus events and will participate in the ECSU Retirees’ Association. The evening also presented the return of the notable Harmony Club, a long-time group of gentlemen from the physical plant department, who crooned harmonious melodies for the event.

The honorees saluted during the reception were as follows:

Ms. Frieda Burke 30 years
Mrs. Deborah Cowell 30 years
Ms. Willa Lamb 30 years
Mrs. Debra Stokely 30 years
Dr. Rebecca Ware 30 years
Mrs. Bennie Lewis 29 years
Mrs. Edna Bond 28 years
Mr. Stanford Jones 20 years
Mr. William Barker 18 years
Dr. James McClendon 17 years
Mr. Curtis Moore 10 years
land dynamics over the next 3 – 5 years. provides an ecosystem perspective of wet-
ables will be collaborating with Dr. Courtney
Wilmington. Professors Crawford and No-
changes due to improvements at the Port of
Cape Fear River. The project will be
funded by the Army Corps of Engineers and
the Cape Fear River. The project will be
 aimed at understanding environmental
tidal patterns on wetland communities along
the submerged
Dr. William Porter (faculty, Geological, Environmental & Marine Science (GEMS)) submitted a paper for
publication in Journal of Geographical Edu-
cation, Texas State University entitled, “The Relationship Be-
tween Content Preparation and Literacy Among Earth Science Teachers and High School Enroll-
ment Size,” along with Dr. Tom Rossbach, professor, GEMS Department and

Dr. Wayne Cornelius, Statistician and Re-
search Specialist, NC Dept. of Health and Natural Resources, Raleigh, NC.
In addition, Dr. Porter was participant in the proposal for the GEOTEACH Project
sponsored by the National Science Foundation. This project will provide summer
workshops and academic year programs to in-service and pre-service teachers for the
purpose of teaching Earth Science in the public schools. This collaboration is between
ECSU, the University of New Hampshire, Penn State University, and Dillard University
(New Orleans). The proposal will be funded for a 3-year period.
Dr. Porter also participated in the develop-
ment of the proposal, “Critical Thinking in Undergraduate Education”, with Dr. Ali Khan,
Director of Summer School. This proposal is to continue the provision of workshops
and seminars for ECSU faculty, faculty at other HBCLUs, and Minority Institutions on
critical thinking strategies in classroom instruc-
tion at the undergraduate level. The proposal will be submitted to the United
States Department of Education, Minority Science Improvement Program.

Mr. William Ross (adjunct faculty, Technology), co-authored a textbook ti-
0-0736-5598-8, scheduled for release, fall 2007.
William Ross was also a contributing au-
thor in Chapter 8: Engineering Animation, for a
textbook titled “Visualization, Modeling & Graphics for Engineering Design,” Thomson-

Dr. Kuldeep Rawat (faculty, Technology) and ECSU students pre-
sented their research entitled “Infrared (IR) Wireless Communication for Application in Mobile Robots,” at the 2007 Southeastern Conference in Richmond, VA, March 2007. This
research will be published in Proceeding of The Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE).

Dr. Joseph Lisowski (faculty, Language, Literature and Communication) published a detective fiction novel
titled, “Full Body Rub.” PublishAmerica,
a traditional publishing company whose primary goal is to encourage and promote the works of
new, previously undis-
covered writers and
the home of 20,000 talented authors, de-
clares the novel is masterfully written. Lisowski has a lengthy publishing record
that includes poetry, mystery novels and scholarly articles. For the past five years, he
taught creative writing, world literature, british literature and English composition at
ECsu. He has also published two detective
published 13 chapter books of poetry over the past 22 years. This is Lisowski’s first
novel with Publish America.

Mr. Billy Hines (faculty, Music) served as the Multicul-
tural Commission Cli-
nician for the North
Carolina Music Educa-
tors Association (NCMEA) at Winston
Salem, NC, in
November 2006.

Dr. Gloria Knight (chair, Music) has been appointed
chairperson for the North Carolina Music Educators Association (NCMEA) Multicul-
tural Awareness section.
Dr. Anthony Brown  
Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs  
published an article with Beth DeRicco, Ph.D., Associate Director of the U.S. Department of Education’s Higher Education Center for Alcohol, Other Drug Abuse and Violence Prevention, entitled “Lessons From a Historically Black University: Elizabeth City State University” in Catalyst (Spring 2007, Vol. 8 No. 3) (HEC 623).

Mrs. Deborah Branch  
Associate Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs  
represented ECSU at the 9th Annual Dr. Lonnie E. Mitchell National HBCU Substance Abuse & Mental Health Conference held March 29, 2007 in Washington, DC. This year’s conference focused on the many challenges, including the need for workforce diversity, aging of the workforce, and the increasing demand for services. Nearly 80 HBCUs were brought together to share information about career development, collaborative initiatives, and individual involvement within the fields of substance abuse and mental health.

Dr. Juanita Midgette,  
Interim Director of Library Services  
was the Black History Speaker, February 21, 2007, at the College of the Albemarle Campus in Edenton, NC. The Topic of Dr. Midgette’s speech was “If you don’t read, you won’t know.”

Mrs. Cheryl Leigh (not pictured)  
G.R. Little Library Technical Assistant  
has been selected by the G.R. Little Library as the North Carolina Library Association Paraprofessional Representative for the 2007-2008 academic year. Mrs. Leigh will represent the library by attending meetings, conferences, workshops and training throughout the State of North Carolina relative to key issues and concerns of the library’s support staff.
Five graduating seniors from the Honor’s Program took home prestigious awards during the annual Honor's Convocation. Brittany Byers, Jason Gaddy, Salimah Cogbill, Kendalyn Stafford and Nyoka Green made extraordinary accomplishments in their fields of study. Each of them had a minimum 3.4 grade point average (GPA) but four out of the five had at least a 3.8 GPA. Dr. Velma Blackmon, director of the Honor’s Program, said these students exemplified character, dedication, and commitment that will surely motivate their peers who remain as undergraduates.

“The honors program gives motivated and gifted students an opportunity to experience cultural, social, research and travel experiences beyond those of the normal classroom setting,” Dr. Blackmon said. “Salimah Cogbill, Kendalyn Stafford and Brittany Byers certainly can speak to that kind of college experience based on their 2006 trip to South Africa with the Global Leadership Academy.”

“We certainly want other students to look at them and be motivated by their accomplishments. We are attracting students who qualify for the Honors Program right out of high school so the number of participants in the program should continue to grow.”

In addition to their academic achievements, this group of students served as campus leaders, recruitment counselors in the Admissions Office, tutors, organizational leaders, and campus ambassadors. This activity made them and the Honors Program highly visible, both on and off campus, Blackmon said.

Byers, Stafford and Gaddy earned the Chancellor’s Distinguished Emblem Award for their superior academic accomplishments. Their other awards follow:
- Byers: Social Work Highest GPA Award for a senior in that field of study; Excellence Without Excuse Award from the Ronald E. McNair Post Baccalaureate Achievement Program; Who’s Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges certificate
- Cogbill: Clarence E. Biggs Award of excellence for biology majors; Evans-Patterson Science Award for biology majors; Mid-Eastern Alliance for Minority Participation Program Award; Who’s Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges certificate
- Gaddy: Most Outstanding Senior Award for the Walter R. Davis School of Business and Economics; Who’s Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges certificate
- Green: Mid-Eastern Alliance for Minority Participation Program Award; Who’s Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges certificate
- Stafford: Melvin L. Murphy Research Award for History; the Departmental (Political Science and History) Academic Honors Award for a senior.

Freshmen can enter the Honor’s Program upon admission with a minimum 3.25 GPA and a satisfactory SAT score. Otherwise, students can enter after earning a 3.25 GPA during their first semester at ECSU.
The Walter R. Davis School of Business and Economics proudly announces scholarships and awards for outstanding business students:

Christina Alva, a senior from Elizabeth City, NC, and Julian Exum, a sophomore from Tarboro, NC, won the Dr. Richard L. Reid Scholarship which is valued at $500.

Jason Gaddy, a senior from Charlotte, NC, won the Outstanding Graduating Senior award.

Deysi Galvan, a senior from Elizabeth City, NC, won a $500 scholarship reserved for outstanding students majoring in business administration.

Britney Gregory, a senior from Angier, NC, won a $500 scholarship reserved for the outstanding student majoring in accounting.

Christina Hager, a senior from Angier, NC, won a $500 scholarship reserved for outstanding students majoring in accounting.

Jeanette Price, a senior from Plymouth, NC, won a $500 scholarship from Gateway Bank as the most improved student.

Joseph R. Moore, a junior from Washington, NC, won the Outstanding Junior award and a $500 scholarship from Gateway Bank.

Robert McPherson, a junior from Elizabeth City, NC, won the Nucor Scholarship valued at $2,000.

LaKeisha Carter, a sophomore from Windsor, NC, and Julian Exum, a sophomore from Tarboro, NC, won Southern Bank Scholarships valued at $500 each.

The following students won scholarships valued at $1,500 each from the North Carolina Certified Public Accountant Foundation (Albemarle Association of CPAs):

Crystal Baxter, a junior from Moyock, NC.

Julian Exum, a sophomore from Tarboro, NC.

Victor Poulson, a sophomore from Colerain, NC.

Dr. Freda McBride, dean of the Walter R. Davis School of Business and Economics, center, congratulates Julian C. Exum, left, and Christian J. Alva, right, recipients of the Richard L. Reid Scholarship. Exum also received a Southern Bank Scholarship and a scholarship from the NC Association of Certified Public Accountants.

Stratford and Gaddy Earn top leadership awards

Mrs. Jacqueline Gilchrist, and Dr. Anthony Brown, vice chancellor for Student Affairs, (right) congratulate two students on the accomplishments that led to their awards. James Stratford, left, received the Chancellor’s Student Leadership Award and Jason Gaddy received the Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs Award during the annual Student Leadership Awards ceremony held on April 24, 2007. Both awards were given in recognition of their leadership skills, service to the student body and academic performance.
Early in April, cadets in the Reserve Officer Training Corp (ROTC) at ECSU filed into the New Student Center to collect medals and certificates that reflect their achievements over the last year.

Organizations such as the Daughters of the American Revolution, the Retired Officers Association, the Military Order of the Purple Heart, and the American Veterans of World War II, Korea, and Vietnam, honored 72 cadets in 18 different categories, for excellence in academics and military performance.

Lt. Col. Vincent Ross, the commanding officer at ECSU, readily admits that the opportunity to train as a university cadet instead of an enlistee who entered the Army at a local recruiter's office, is a prized story of an officer in the making.

"This group of cadets demonstrated they are focused and highly motivated," Ross declared, "It makes our goal of graduating lieutenants who are competent, caring and confident an achievable one."

The ROTC awards reflect a long standing trend in the military of rewarding personnel for their achievements.

To qualify for the awards, the cadets completed field training, classroom instruction, and leadership seminars. They acquired skills they will need in various positions throughout the military.

"There are dozens of positions and jobs within the ranks that do not involve the combat many of us see on television news reports. That's one of the most misunderstood things about the Army," Ross said. "The Signal Corps, for example, are responsible for planning, employing and operating voice, imagery, and data distribution systems to wide area networks that span the globe."

Ross says many active members of the military, including ECSU alumni, have been stationed around the world in Germany, Italy, Japan, Korea, Romania, Honduras and Alaska. He is confident that the current cadets will also succeed in the Army.

"We have improved training scores tremendously and I want to continue to see scores go up," Ross said. "It's one of our top priorities, and I feel confident we will see further gains."
### ECSU Students Receive Summer Internships

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CRESIS interns continue research:
Polar ice and global climate change

A $2 million grant from the National Science Foundation continues to fund summer research projects for student researchers. Since 2005, Elizabeth City State University has been a subcontractor for a wide scale grant of $19 million from the NSF to the University of Kansas and five participating universities.

During the summer, eight students from ECSU participated in research projects that will help measure and predict sea level change due to melting polar ice sheets and their contribution to climate change. The students, who were awarded the Center for Remote Sensing of Ice Sheets (CRESIS) internships, studied this summer at institutions throughout the United States and abroad.

Tiwana Walton, a sophomore and computer science major, attended the University of Kansas as a summer intern. Walton says she was compelled to take advantage of the program that will contribute to a global change that will greatly affect our lives. “Through my research, I am committed to gathering measurements that may help with future solutions for this highly important issue,” Walton said.

ECSU’s role in the research consortium, which capitalizes on the university’s expertise in satellite data and generating high-level data products, is led by Dr. Linda Hayden, Director of the Center of Excellence in Remote Sensing Education and Research (CERSER). Through her association with professional researchers, Hayden has given a number of students access to leading scientists in the field and secured extraordinary research projects and internships.

Karitsa Williams, a second-year graduate student in the applied mathematics remote sensing program, received an internship at the University of Edinburgh in Scotland. Williams said she favors the internship program for its remote sensing disciplines. “This program allows me to investigate areas affected by global warming, such as the Greenland and Antarctic ice sheets,” she said. “Hopefully, by participating in this program, I will develop relationships that will encourage me to further my education, as well as help me serve as an inspiration to others interested in pursuing advanced degrees.”

Since its inception in 2005, the University of Kansas has maintained an ongoing collaborative research effort with five other universities: ECSU, Ohio State University, Pennsylvania State University, the University of Maine, and Haskell Indian Nations University.
ECSU Foundation Hosts 1st Founders Day Gala

U.S. Rep. James E. Clyburn (6th District, South Carolina), served as the keynote speaker of the Elizabeth City State University Foundation’s Inaugural Founder’s Day Gala on Saturday, March 8, 2007 at the K.E. White Graduate Center. Clyburn currently serves as Majority Whip of the United States House of Representatives and serves as chairman of the House Democratic Caucus.

Approximately 350 faculty, staff, alumni, friends, and business leaders attended the black-tie gala which featured entertainment by ECSU alumna and jazz vocalist Karla Crump, ’85.

Special guests included U.S. Rep. G.K. Butterfield (North Carolina), N. C. Representative Annie Mobley, '63; Elizabeth City Mayor Charles Foster; Elizabeth City Councilman Kirk Rivers, '96; Johnnie Walton, '69; Pasquotank County Commission Chairman Cecil Perry; Board of Governors member, William Smith and North Carolina Central University alumni director, Norma Petway.

Mike Chandler, general manager of Rejoice 100.9 FM, served as the master of ceremony for the evening.

“The Foundation experienced an unprecedented level of support from the business community, our alumni and friends who supported this event through an array of sponsorships, said Dr. Richard L. Lucas, Jr., former ECSU Foundation executive director and vice chancellor for Institutional Advancement. “Their generosity will support general scholarships for the upcoming academic year.”

The Foundation raised $45,000 in scholarship proceeds from the event to support the foundation’s general scholarship fund.
ECSU Foundation Celebrates the 11th Annual Golf Classic

Thirty-three teams participated in the Elizabeth City State University Foundation’s 11th Annual Golf Classic for Scholarships, at The Pines Country Club in Elizabeth City on April 28, 2007. Thanks to a host of participants and contributors, the foundation collected more than $25,000 for scholarships.

The foundation extends sincere appreciation and applause for the sponsors: Carden Printing, EGADS, Golden Corral, Pepsi Bottling Ventures, The Daily Advance, City Beverage, McDonalds, The Pines, and Rejoice 100.9 FM. Area youngsters learned valuable tips during the Children’s Golf Clinic, and our golfers showcased their best golf swings on a memorable, beautiful day at The Pines. Dr. Richard L. Lucas, Jr., former executive director of the ECSU Foundation and vice chancellor of Institutional Advancement says the community’s support of the event is a wonderful way to contribute to scholarships that benefit students.

Mark your calendar for the 12th Annual Golf Classic
April 25-26, 2008
The Pines, Elizabeth City, NC.
For more information, contact Ms. Felicia Garcia at (252)335-3743.
Lewis Family establishes Geraldine Wright Lewis Scholarship

The Elizabeth City State University Foundation proudly announces a new scholarship fund established in memory of Geraldine Wright Lewis, a member of the Class of 1965. Mrs. Lewis was the wife of Mr. Matthew Lewis, Jr., Class of 1964, and mother of Anthony Lewis, ECSU Trustee and Class of 1986, and Tamara Lewis Harris (summa cum laude), Class of 1996.

According to classmate and friend, Norris Francis, Mrs. Lewis was a wonderful wife, mother, friend, and humanitarian.

“Her contributions as an educator and community activist were invaluable. As an educator, Geraldine touched the lives of hundreds of children with passion and conviction. Outside the classroom, Geraldine made a difference through her work as a mentor, missionary, and humanitarian.”

Since March 2007, family and friends have contributed a total of $33,700 into the fund. The Geraldine Wright Lewis Memorial Scholarship will be awarded annually to an ECSU student with a minimum grade point average of 2.5. The scholarship is open to students of all majors. However, every fourth year (beginning 2011), the recipient must be a student majoring in English. Geraldine Wright Lewis was an English major and enjoyed a long career as an English teacher.

The family has established a goal of $250,000 in scholarship resources that will support this fund in perpetuity. For information regarding the Geraldine Wright Lewis Memorial Scholarship Fund, contact the Division of Institutional Advancement at 252-335-3225 or visit the website at www.geraldine-wright-lewis.org.

Donation provides residency for two graduate students

The Elizabeth City State University Foundation applauds Mr. Phillip Templeton of Chesapeake, VA, owner of Emerald Lakes Apartments in Elizabeth City, NC, for a donation that will provide a year’s free residency for two deserving graduate students. The students are enrolled for the 2007-2008 academic year. ECSU offers four master’s degrees, M.Ed. in Elementary Education, M.S.A. for School Administration, and M.S. in Biology and Mathematics, and has partnered with UNC-Chapel Hill’s School of Pharmacy for a Pharm.D. degree.

The ECSU Foundation accepts and manages donations to the university that benefit current students or those who will attend in the future once a donation has earned specified interest or endowment status. All donations to the ECSU Foundation are tax deductible. Donations can be slated to benefit specific programs, such as those in the performing arts, the sciences or other specified fields of study. To learn how you can make a tax deductible donation to the ECSU Foundation, call the Division of Institutional Advancement, 252-335-3225.
Dixon Hall re-named in honor of Dr. Bishop N. Patterson

A major gift commitment from Dr. Bishop N. Patterson, a former Elizabeth City State University Industrial Arts Department chairman, has fulfilled the requirements for the re-naming of Dixon Hall to Dixon-Patterson Hall. The dedication ceremony for Dixon-Patterson Hall is scheduled for 1 p.m. on October 19, 2007 on the lawn of Dixon Hall.

In March, the ECSU Board of Trustees voted unanimously to re-name the facility in Patterson’s honor. Chancellor Gilchrist said Dr. Patterson’s donation is greatly appreciated.

“I can think of no better way to honor the dedication and commitment that Dr. Patterson has demonstrated to this institution over a career which spanned more than 30 years, said Chancellor Willie J. Gilchrist. “We are delighted that Dr. Patterson wishes to remember the university in this special way.”

Patterson was instrumental in lobbying for the state resources in the 1970s to build the current facility which houses the ECSU’s Industrial Technology Department, the Aviation Sciences Department, and the Center of Excellence in Remote Sensing Education and Research (CERSER).

An endowed scholarship fund has also been established to honor Dr. Patterson and his wife, the late Mrs. Kathryn G. Patterson. This fund will provide scholarships to students from Washington, Chowan, Perquimans, Pasquotank, and Camden counties. Freshmen and sophomores attending ECSU with a minimum grade point average of 2.5 will be eligible for this award. Preference for the Patterson Endowed Scholarship Award will be given to students who major in industrial technology, however, students majoring in other disciplines who meet the minimum criteria may also be considered for this award.

For more information, contact the Division of Institutional Advancement at 252-335-3225.
Top Ten Reasons to take your seat

1. Provide scholarship funds for deserving students
2. Symbolize your commitment to ECSU
3. Place your name permanently at ECSU
4. Memorialize or honor a loved one
5. Recognize former classmates or faculty
6. Provide recognition for corporate sponsorship
7. Support arts programs
8. Make a tax deductible contribution
9. Increase ECSU’s national ranking and ability to attract corporate and foundation gifts
10. Earmark the success of the university with your contribution

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$316,629- DoD Department of the Army: The Study of the Microbial Ecology and Biodegradation Project. ECSU was awarded $316,629 by DoD Department of the Army for Dr. Roberto Frontera-Sauní’s (faculty, Biology) project entitled “The Study of the Microbial Ecology and Biodegradation.” The proposed research will use traditional methods (plating, isolation, enrichment) and molecular approaches (Denaturing Gradient Gel Electrophoresis) to focus on the enhanced biodegradation of soil as the result of bioaugmentation of the soil by microorganisms associated with kenaf.

$188,000- NC Teacher Recruitment Network Project. Dr. Sylvia Mason (dean of the School of Education and Psychology) was awarded $188,000 by East Carolina University through UNC-GA for the Affiliation with the NC Teacher Recruitment Network project. The purpose of this program is to assist in increasing the number of certified teachers in the public schools of North Carolina by establishing two teacher recruiter positions to recruit prospective teachers on community college campuses, resolve curriculum issues between UNC campuses and community colleges and to serve as licensure advisors to prospective teachers and assist with individual reviews for lateral entry candidates.

$116,632- Minority Science Improvement Project. Dr. Ali Khan (assistant vice chancellor, Academic Affairs and professor, School of Mathematics, Science & Technology) was awarded $116,632 from the U.S. Department of Education for ECSU’s Minority Science Improvement Project In Critical Thinking Through Technology (CTTC). This program is designed to provide professional development training to selected faculty representatives from (12) HBCU/Community colleges in teaching entry level mathematics and science courses using the conceptual framework of “Critical thinking through Technology.” The methodology developed by the ECSU Critical Thinking Group will be utilized in introducing the concept of CTTC to improve science education. The project activities will address the growing shortage of qualified and competent STEM majors by strengthening course curriculum through the infusion of critical thinking through technology. The partnering institutions are: Fisk University, TN; Johnson C. Smith University, NC; St. Augustine College, NC; Miami Dade College, FL; NC Central University, NC; California State University- Northridge, CA; Paul D. Camp Community College, VA; University of Texas at Brownsville, TX; Albany State University, GA; Jarvis Christian College, TX; Virginia State University, VA; and Talladega College, AL. The total funding for this project is $259,364.00 for a period of three years (2007-2010).

$107,500- Sonia Kovalevsky Mathematics Day for Middle and High School Students and their Teachers. Dr. Linda Hayden (faculty, Mathematics and Computer Science) was awarded an additional $107,500 by the National Security Agency for the Sonia Kovalevsky Mathematics Day for Middle and High School Students and their Teachers. This proposal is to request support of the Sonia Kovalevsky High School Mathematics Days for Female High School Students and Their Teachers for the 2006-2007 as a follow-up to the current project funded by NSA through ECSU and coordinated by the Association for Women in Mathematics (AWM). These events, to be held at U.S. colleges and universities, include mathematical talks, panels, activities, and problem-solving competitions for young women who are high school students and for their teachers. The goal of the project is to increase awareness of mathematics in underrepresented minority students.

$99,848- VA-NC Louis Stokes Alliance for Minority Participation (VA-NC LSAMP). Dr. Ali Khan (assistant vice chancellor, Academic Affairs and professor, School of Mathematics, Science & Technology) was awarded $99,848 for the VA-NC Louis Stokes Alliance for Minority Participation (VA-NC LSAMP) from the University of Virginia through the National Science Foundation. The VA-NC LSAMP program seeks to increase the number of minorities (African Americans, Latinos and American Indians) completing...
degrees in science, technology, engineering and Mathematics. The partnering institutions are: Virginia Commonwealth University, VA; George Mason University, VA; Virginia Polytechnic and State University, VA; Elizabeth City State University, NC; Johnson C. Smith University, NC; St. Augustine College, NC; and Bennett College, NC. The primary objectives of this program at ECSU are: to recruit, retain and graduate sufficient numbers of students in the SMET areas; to provide pre-college enrichment activities (Summer Bridges Program) to improve student skills in problem solving, critical thinking, logic, communication, computation, analytical reasoning, time and stress management, collaboration and test taking; to increase the level of reading comprehension and writing skills; to provide ongoing undergraduate research experience; to foster networking and interaction among students with similar interests; and to increase the exchange of information among VA-NC LSAMP faculty members and administrators.

The total funding for this project is $499,240.00 for a period of five years (2007-2012).

$68,000- Hewlett Packard Technology for Teaching Elizabeth City State University was selected as one of 42 two- and four-year colleges and universities in the United States and Puerto Rico to receive a 2007 Hewlett Packard Technology for Teaching Grant. The award package of HP products and a faculty stipend is valued at more than $68,000. This project is designed to transform teaching and improve learning in the classroom through innovative uses of technology. Each of the HP Technology for Teaching grant recipients will use HP wireless Tablet PCs to enhance learning in engineering, math, science, or computer science. The technology vision at ECSU is to integrate technology in teaching to positively transform the learning process for both faculty and students. The vision also emphasizes the importance of providing students equitable access and actively involving them in the learning process to increase achievement and ultimately greater success beyond the domain of a classroom. Dr. Kuldeep Rawat, faculty member in the Technology Department, is the Project's Principle Investigator.

$56,993- Transforming Earth Systems Science Education Program: Dr. William Porter (faculty, Geological, Environmental & Marine Science) was awarded $56,993 by the University of New Hampshire through the National Science Foundation for the program entitled “Transforming Earth Systems Science Education.”

The program is designed for current (in-service) and future (pre-service) teachers. It includes a two-week summer course in Earth Science covering topics of planetary science, lithosphere, hydrosphere, and atmosphere. It also involves an eight-week summer research immersion program and an academic year program. The project serves as professional development for current and future teachers.

$57,885- Burroughs Welcome Fund for the Student Science Enrichment Program
Dr. William Porter (faculty, Geological, Environmental & Marine Science) was awarded $57,885 by the Burroughs Welcome Fund for the Student Science Enrichment Program. This program presents a strategy by which high school students in selected school districts in northeastern North Carolina may enhance their interest in earth science education. It has as an overall objective to provide selected students in the high schools in Pasquotank, Camden and Currituck counties Problem-Based Learning (PBL) strategies, GIS technology and field experiences as it relates to earth science training. The methods by which this objective will be achieved is through the completion of exercises during a two week summer workshop, based on field experience in the Pasquotank River Basin and an examination of data from the urban coastal environment of Elizabeth City using GIS. Students will implement workshop training in their science classes when they return to their high schools during the subsequent academic year. A major goal of this project is to increase the interest in high school students in science so that they can enhance their earth science comprehension and be encouraged to pursue careers in science.

$49,032- DoD Department of the Army: Energy Transfer Processes in Rare-Earth Doped Low Phenon Energy Hosts for MIR Laser
Dr. Althea Blakett (faculty, Chemistry and Physics) was awarded $49,032 by the DoD Department of the Army for the Energy Transfer Processes in Rare-Earth Doped Low Phenon Energy Hosts for MIR Laser. In this proposed research, crystal growth, laser spectroscopy, and modeling of different combinations of rare-earth ions co-doped will be explored for 4-5 um laser development. Co-doping the host materials will modify the excited state dynamics of RE-ions, which should improve the emission intensity and pump efficiency. Interest in compact and efficient mid-infrared solid-state laser materials is due to the paucity of commercially available lasers operating between 3-5 pm. Solid state lasers at this wavelength are sought after for DoD applications, medicine, and basic research.

$45,671- Housing Counseling Program
Mr. Morris Autry (director, Community Development) received $45,671 from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development for his Housing Counseling program at ECSU. The objective of this project is to expand homeownership opportunities and improve access to affordable housing through an effective comprehensive housing counseling program. The types of housing counseling services to be provided are: pre-purchase, mortgage default/delinquency, post-purchase, home equity conversion mortgage (HECM), rental, fair housing, predatory lending, homeowner education and post-purchase education. Counseling services will be provided through one-on-one counseling and seminars and workshops. The target area includes: Pasquotank, Perquimans, Chowan, Currituck, Camden, and Gates counties.

$30,287- Rural Listener Access Incentive Fund
Ms. Melba Brown (director, Radio and Television Services) received $30,287 from The Corporation for Public Broadcasting for the Rural Listener Access Incentive Fund. CPB supports public radio’s service to rural listeners while recognizing rural service challenges. The Rural Listener Access Incentive Fund (RLAIF) commits more than $3.3 million to reward creative, sustainable rural public service. Rural public radio stations grapple with circumstances urban stations rarely experience: a coverage area with fewer potential listeners spread over a wider geographic area; audiences whose needs can compel unique radio use: fewer media outlets forcing the station to be more things to more people: limited audience research: a smaller talent pool from which to draw: and, due to fewer listeners, more difficulty in garnering the local membership and business support needed to sustain and grow the station. This program seeks to remedy some of these issues.

$28,568- Collaborative Efforts for Student’s Writing Case Studies and Videoconferencing: Human Nutrition, Food Safety & Global Environmental Issues
Dr. Ali Khan (assistant vice chancellor, Academic Affairs and professor, School of Mathematics, Science & Technology) was awarded $28,568 for Collaborative Efforts for Student’s Writing Case Studies and Videoconferencing: Human Nutrition, Food Safety & Global Environmental Issues.
from Virginia State University through the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA). The specific objectives of this grant are: to involve Global Seminar Staff from Virginia College of Osteopathic Medicine, VT in training a core group of faculty at ECSU, VSU, and FAMU in interactive communications of food safety, nutrition, and environmental health programs, by writing case studies and via videoconferencing, virtual chat rooms and e-mail systems; to mentor faculty in global teaching, videoconferencing, integrating case studies at ECSU, VSU, and FAMU by “Global Seminar” staff at VT; and to develop appropriate courses (Global Seminar/Independent Study) for implementing the concepts of writing case studies and videoconferencing.

$15,000- STRINGS: Showing Teachers how to Really Inspire the Next Generation in Space Program. Dr. Sultana Khan (faculty, Chemistry and Physics) was awarded $15,000 from the NC Space Grant Consortium for the STRINGS: Showing Teachers how to Really Inspire the Next Generation in Space Program. This program seeks to better equip North Carolina school teachers to motivate and inspire their students to pursue education and careers in science, technology engineering and mathematics (STEM), particularly in aerospace-related fields. Grant activities will focus on introducing the engaging science teachers (grades 5-8) in lectures, demonstrations and hands-on activities suitable for classroom instruction in astronomy and physics. Topics relevant to these disciplines will be chosen that directly address North Carolina’s standard course of study and grade level competencies.

$12,500- Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers Association (IEEE) for the Minority Travel Program (MTP). Dr. Linda Hayden (faculty, Mathematics and Computer Science) was awarded $12,500 by the IEEE Association for the Minority Travel Program (MTP). The Minority Travel Program (MTP) was established by the GRSS Society in 1997 for the purpose of increasing the number of Minority students involved in the activities of the Society, with the ultimate goal of improving Minority membership in the Society. The annual grant of $12,500.00 was estab-
Elected officials from Elizabeth City held a special celebration at downtown Mariner’s Wharf in April to recognize the ECSU basketball teams and local high school teams for their outstanding performances during the last season. City officials said the success of area athletes placed the city in the spotlight for sports fans. They also credited successful programs with bringing additional guests to the city last year. The Vikings and Lady-Vikings joined their coaches to greet the crowd and receive medallions before a crowd of approximately 100 onlookers. For the first time in history, both ECSU basketball teams reached the NCAA Division II tournaments in the same year. The Vikings are CIAA 2007 champions but the Lady-Vikings lost their bid for the title after losing in the final round of competition against North Carolina Central University (NCCU), Chancellor Gilchrist presented Mayor Charles Foster and City Councilmen with a basketball autographed by student athletes. Gilchrist and the coaches thanked local fans for supporting them through a season that brought several CIAA awards to Elizabeth City.
The Department of Chemistry and Physics joined forces with the Society of Physics Students and the Planetarium to host April Astronomy Day at the Jenkins Science Center for approximately 160 students from Northeastern and Pasquotank County High Schools.

A special guest, Dr. Jay T. Bergstralh, Senior Scientist for Space Exploration at NASA Langley in Hampton, Virginia, gave a presentation on Mars. Bergstralh captured the students’ interest with planetarium demonstrations and lobby exhibits provided by NASA.

Dr. Sultana Khan, a professor of physics and the director of the planetarium, said the presentation inspired several of the high school students to inquire about the university and its science programs. During their visit, the students met representatives from the Offices of Admissions, Financial Aid, Distance Learning, Summer School, and Student Life. The Dean and Departmental Chairs of the School of Mathematics, Science & Technology assured the students that ECSU has the programs that will lead them to challenging and rewarding careers.

“Astronomy is an exciting field because there are endless opportunities for research and exploration,” Dr. Khan says. “It is a science that constantly examines the basic questions of ‘Where do we come from?’ and ‘Where are we going?’ Our goal at the Planetarium is to foster public interest in the sciences as well as encourage enrollment at the university.”

Following the presentation by Dr. Bergstralh, the high school students viewed a night sky, a star show, and a laser show at the planetarium. Dr. Khan knows there’s nothing like scenes from the galaxy to make a striking impression on her guests.
Nearly 400 students from more than 20 schools in the eastern region of North Carolina participated in a math contest sponsored by the Mathematics and Computer Science Department.

The event, held in at the K. E. White Graduate Center in March, highlighted the disciplines of Algebra I, Geometry, Algebra II, and Comprehensive Mathematics for area youths with high hopes of advancing to the next level of regional competitions. Students who place in the top seven percent on the comprehensive mathematics test advance to the state finals at the North Carolina School of Science and Mathematics in Durham and those who place in the top ten percent in the areas of Algebra I, Algebra II, and Geometry, advance to the Eastern Regional State Finals at North Carolina Wesleyan College in Rocky Mount. Dr. Vinod Manglik, a professor in the mathematics department and chairman of the 2007 state math contest committee, noted that 39 students from the eastern region advanced to the statelevel contest.

"The students from our area were very well prepared this year," he says. "In comparing them to their competition from other parts of the state, they definitely were on equal footing in terms of their knowledge and proficiency."

The top ranking students in Algebra I, Algebra II, Geometry, and Comprehensive Mathematics levels receive trophies for both individual and team categories at the regional contest. Students participating in those categories range from the eighth to the twelfth grades. Taking first place honors regionally in the team category were Wilmington’s Roland-Grise Middle School for Algebra I, Camden County High School in Algebra II, Camden County High School in Geometry, and Manteo High School in the Comprehensive level. First place prizes in the individual category were awarded to Frances Lu of Roland-Grise Middle School for Algebra I, Brian Batchelor of Camden County High School for Algebra II, Victoria Jeffries of Pasquotank County High School for Geometry, and Emilene Whidbee of Manteo High School for Comprehensive Mathematics.

ECSU has hosted a state qualifying math contest for over a decade. State educators are emphasizing the importance of math education to suit the growing demand for more professionals with mathematical skills.
From the President
Investing in the Future

Dear Fellow Vikings and Friends:

On behalf of all Vikings and friends everywhere, I extend a very spirited greeting and a sincere “thank you” to all of you who continue to contribute in all kinds of ways to our great university. Your strong support continues to benefit current and future Vikings as they strive to achieve their goals.

Academically, current programs at the university are thriving and new ones are being developed. Specifically, additional graduate programs are being planned in each of our schools. Our pharmacy program is on the move; the North Carolina Teaching Fellows Program is being implemented; and our aviation science program is being expanded. I am sure you will hear more as these programs continue to develop.

Moreover, because of your support and efforts, the 2006-2007 year has been a very exciting and productive year for the university and the National Alumni Association. Following an exciting regular season, our Viking football team was the 2006 CIAA Eastern Division Champions and went on to extend into post-season. Our men and women basketball teams were the 2007 CIAA Champions and Runner-up, respectively. With your continuing support, we forecast an even brighter future.

As predicted, our alumni donations and involvement are on the rise. The 1960’s Decade Reunion was most successful with 1960s alumni having contributed over a million dollars in planned gifts and donations in FY 2006-2007. The 70’s Decade Reunion is currently being planned and the outcomes from that, too, look very promising.

I extend a very special “thank you” to the Washington, D.C. Metro Chapter, its leadership team, and to all who attended a most successful and informative 2007 ECSU National Alumni Summer Convention. We look forward to returning to Elizabeth City State University, where the Elizabeth City Area Alumni Chapter will host the 2008 convention.

So, as we begin another year under a new administration, let us pledge to continue to support fully the mission, vision, and goals of our great university with Viking Pride.

Sincerely,

Charles D. Cherry, Ed.D.
Peninsula Alumni Chapter hosted their 9th Annual Scholarship Banquet at McGrew Towers Conference Center on the campus of Hampton University on June 9, 2007. The chapter awarded three scholarships to students who will enter ECSU this fall. The evening was full of excitement and included a performance by Treaisa Fields, who is a student at Elizabeth City State University and daughter of alumnus James Fields.

Washington DC Metro Chapter hosted the National Alumni Association National Convention, July 6-7, 2007 in Silver Spring, MD. One of the highlight events was the chapter’s annual scholarship dinner dance. Viking kudos go out to Chiquita Lewis Taylor, ‘79 and Barbara A. White, ’75, who were convention coordinators.

Richmond Metro Alumni Chapter entertained Vikings and Broncos at the annual fundraising Blue/White Gala held on June 9, 2007 at the Richmond Times Dispatch Building. The event was co-hosted by the Richmond Metro Chapters of Elizabeth City State University and Fayetteville State University alumni.

Raleigh – Durham – Wake Alumni Chapter held their annual Cookout “Reach One Teach One Scholarship Extravaganza” on June 23rd at the Anderson Point Park. RDW gave a $500 scholarship to an incoming ECSU Freshmen.

Robert Harvey Tri-State Alumni Chapter celebrated 30 years of service to Elizabeth City State University and the Tri-State Communities during their scholarship luncheon. Chancellor Willie J. Gilchrist was the keynote speaker. The Tri-State Chapter donated a $500 contribution in support of the Gilchrist Scholarship Fund. There were nine students attending the affair with GPA’s ranging from a 3.00 - 4.00 and SAT scores ranging from 1,300 -1,600. The students will enter ECSU as freshmen this fall. The event was held at the Clarion Hotel West, Egg Harbor Township in New Jersey.

1970s
Dr. Marcus Newsome (’75) has been appointed Superintendent of the Chesterfield County School System, located outside of Richmond, VA. Dr. Newsome previously served as the Superintendent of the school system in Newport News, VA.

1980s
Tim Bellamy (’81) was recently named Police Chief in Greensboro, NC. He is an active member of the Greater Triad Alumni Chapter.

Anthony “Tony” Lewis (’86) president of Verizon Washington, D.C., was honored by the University of the District of Columbia with its Firebird Award for Leadership in Business. The Firebird Award for Business is presented to an individual whose leadership practices benefit and help uplift the community served by that business.

1990s
Dr. Stanley J. Elliott (’91) was recently appointed Vice President of Student Affairs at Livingstone College in Salisbury, NC. The Division of Student Affairs is responsible for all aspects of student life on campus and establishing policies and procedures affecting student life and conduct. Included in this division are Admissions, Financial Aid, Residence Life, Health Services, Student Activities/Smith Anderson Clark Student Center, Campus Ministry, and the Counseling Center. Dr. Elliott received his Doctoral degree in Educational Research from North Carolina State University in 2007, Master of Public Administration degree from North Carolina Central University in 1996 and his Bachelor of Arts degree in Political Science from Elizabeth City State University in 1991.

2000s
Timothy Summers (’05) presented at the 3rd Annual Information Assurance Symposium at Hampton University. The purpose of his presentation was to introduce the audience to the field of information security and discuss ways that Historically Black Colleges and Universities can prepare students to be leaders across multiple industries. Timothy is currently a graduate student at Carnegie Mellon in Pennsylvania.
Viking alumni and students can often be heard shouting, “Viking Pride” at sporting events, alumni functions, or whenever the spirit hits them. But, just what is this ‘pride’ Vikings rant and rave about? The word ‘pride’ itself is defined as ‘justifiable self respect’. So, is ‘Viking Pride’ justifiable? Take a look at Viking alumnus Elston Howell (Class of 1988). He exemplifies “Viking Pride” in almost every aspect of his life and proves that “yes,” ‘Viking Pride’ is justifiable!

Currently serving as president for the Raleigh/Durham/Wake Chapter of Elizabeth City State University, Elston Howell breathes and bleeds Viking blue. He is dedicated to his alma mater in every way possible from the local level to the National Alumni Association. He has served as corresponding secretary for the NAA and the local RDW Chapter. Elston also served as Vice President of the Sports Committee for the local chapter. With nine years of service to his local chapter, he shows no signs of slowing down.

Elston just doesn’t just cheer for our Viking sports teams on the sidelines, he rolls up his sleeves and gets in the game. Come to almost any ECSU sporting event in the Raleigh, NC area, ECSU homecoming game, Down East Viking Football Classic, or a championship game and look for the trailer with the big RDW-ECSU sign and Elston will be somewhere near a cloud of barbeque smoke making sure everyone is having a good time. He’s not just known for feeding Viking fans, but the players, as well. If any Viking sports team comes within 50 miles of his home, their meal is guaranteed! “Elston meets all the requirements of having Viking Pride. He works diligently in support of ECSU. Elston was the backbone of RDW Chapter during my presidency. You would want him on your Viking Team. I wish Elston the best in his continuation of support to ECSU.” - Todd Twine, former RDW Chapter President.

Elston’s accolades: ECSU license plate initiative committee member with the NAA; purchase of a $50,000 insurance policy naming ECSU as the owner and beneficiary; secured corporate dollars to sponsor ECSU chapter events; and contributed funds to the ECSU athletic program and other related events/activities. With all the accolades surrounding Elton’s love, dedication, support, and commitment to his beloved ECSU, he is a man with a quiet demeanor, wanting no attention for what he contributes unselfishly. He is a positive, yet realistic, person who brings creativity and life to his visions.

In addition to his very busy life as a Viking, Elston is a loving husband to his wife, Lisa Smallwood Howell and works as an information systems officer with the state of North Carolina. Although his wife is a North Carolina Central University Eagle, he has not wavered in his commitment to ECSU…………….Now, that’s true VIKING PRIDE!
ALUMNI SCHEDULE OF EVENTS
OCTOBER 17-20, 2007

Wednesday, October 17
70s Decade Jazzy Evening
(Sponsor’s Reception: By Invitation Only)
7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.
Location: Fairfield Inn, Elizabeth City, NC
Attire: Dressy
Admission: Free

Thursday, October 18
Mr. & Ms. Alumni Coronation
5:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.
Location: K.E. White Graduate Center
Attire: Semi-formal
Admission: Free

“Class of 1997” Spirit of
Norfolk Reunion Cruise
11:30 p.m. - 1:30 a.m.
Bus Departure: 8:00 p.m. - Mickey L. Burnim Fine Arts Center (Parking Lot), Elizabeth City, NC
Arrive: Reception at Jillian’s Restaurant, (Downtown) Norfolk, VA
Cruise Ship loading: 11:45 p.m.
Cruise Ship departure: Midnight
Location: Waterside Pier, (Downtown) Norfolk, VA
(Transportation will be provided to Elizabeth City, NC)
Attire: Dressy Casual
Admission: $35

Friday, October 19
70s Decade Recognition Luncheon:
“Moving from Success to Significance”
Dedication to 70s Alums Marian B. Mitchell and Carol H. Heyward, former directors of Alumni Relations
12 noon - 2:00 p.m.
Location: K.E. White Graduate Center
Attire: Dressy/Casual
Admission: $20

70s Decade Class Meetings
2:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Location: K.E. White Graduate Center

70s Decade Campus-Wide Outdoor Concert
Featuring: Ra Jazz Band-Roger Brown, Leader of Norfolk, VA (R&B, Motown, 70s, Reggae & Jazz)
2:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.
Location: Fine Arts Center-Amphitheater
Admission: Free

Sports Hall of Fame Banquet
(Featuring a 70s Honoree)
7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.
Location: K.E. White Graduate Center
Attire: Dressy
Admission: $30

Concert and Reception
Sponsored by 70s Decade
National Recording Artist: O’Jays
8:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.
(doors open 7:30 p.m.)
Location: R. L. Vaughan Center
Attire: Dressy Casual
Admission: VIP: $75
General Admission: $50
Student w/ID: $30 (one ticket per ID)

Icebreaker – Mardi Gras 70s Style
Costume/ Dance Contest / Door Prizes
10:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.
Attire: 70s Fashion with a Mardi Gras Twist
Price: $25

Saturday, October 20
70s Decade Tailgating Celebration
7:30 a.m.
Location: Roebuck Stadium
Elizabeth City, NC
Parade
10:00 a.m.
Location: Ehringhaus Street
(70s Decade Float or Car with 70s Decade Queens)

“Class of 1997” Tailgating Celebration
12 noon - until
Location: Roebuck Stadium
(Music and food will be provided)

ROTC & Military Alumni Cookout
11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.
Location: ROTC Building / Parade Grounds
Game: ECSU vs. Livingstone College
2:00 p.m.
Location: Roebuck Stadium
80s Decade Meet and Greet
6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.
Location: Ridley Student Complex - Stage Area
Admission: Free

Big Everybody Back Party
(Featuring Comedian George Willborn)
10:00 p.m. - 3:00 a.m.
Location: K.E. White Graduate Center
Attire: Dressy Casual
Admission: $25

Sunday, October 20
Prayer Breakfast
Featuring: 70s Decade Guest Minister
9:00 a.m.
Location: K.E. White Graduate Center
Attire: Dressy Casual
Admission: $15

For ticket information and more details regarding the 70s Decade events, please call (252) 338-1316 or the Office of Alumni Relations at (252) 335-3498.

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For game ticket information, please contact the Athletics Department at 252-335-3388 or visit our website at www.ecsu.edu.
Have you relocated or just graduated from Elizabeth City State? Are you just trying to locate some fellow Vikings and want to join the local alumni chapter? If the answer is yes to any of these questions, check out this updates list of chapter presidents. They should be able to assist you.

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Vikings capture first CIAA Championship in 26 years:
Vikings 63, Panthers 60

Cinderella wore blue and white sneakers the night the seventh-seeded Elizabeth City State University Vikings knocked off top-seeded Virginia Union University, 63-60, to win the 2007 CIAA Men's Basketball Championship in Charlotte, NC.

The Vikings won their fourth game in as many days to secure their first conference title since 1981 thanks to stellar performances by C.J. Pigford, and Anthony Hilliard. Pigford finished the contest with 23 points and 14 rebounds while Hilliard, the tournament's Most Valuable Player, dropped in 21 points and grabbed 14 rebounds of his own. Coach Shawn Walker, head basketball coach, was encouraged by the contributions from so many athletes.

“It’s amazing what you can accomplish when you have good players and quality athletes,” Walker said. “When you have talented people who can take instruction the sky is the limit. We played decent basketball all year, but lost a number of close games by a few points. It was the mental mistakes that didn’t allow us to win them.”

“But our players always believed they could win, even going into the tournament as the seventh seed. Once we were there, we won four close games in the tournament despite being down at half time. We played better than we had earlier in the season and the Lord granted us favor. It was ECSU’s time.”

Pigford and Hilliard were able to counter VUU’s Chris Green (19 pts) and Brad Byerson (15 pts, 12 rebs). ECSU controlled the boards out rebounding VUU, 53-33 turning a three point halftime deficit into a three point championship victory. Walker said the victory was as much for the team as the fans who had supported them all season.

“This championship was for our players and the entire Elizabeth City State community,” Walker said. It gave us all of us, especially alumni who have waited a long time, something to be proud of. Now, our community is excited about the upcoming year and 11 guys can return from the championship team. We’re hoping we have turned the corner for good with our basketball program.”
Gov. Mike Easley welcomed the Vikings basketball team to the State Capital in recognition of the team’s Central Intercollegiate Athletic Association (CIAA) Championship. On March 3, 2007, the team defeated Virginia Union University 63-60 to capture the 2007 CIAA Men’s Basketball Championship.

“I congratulate you on your CIAA championship title,” Easley said. “This is an outstanding accomplishment for the team and Elizabeth City State University.”

Both state legislative bodies also commended the athletes and coaches on the successful season that brought championship trophies and plaques to Elizabeth City. The Vikings secured the championship at Charlotte’s Bobcat Arena as the Queen City played host to the tournament for the second time.
Two members of the Athletic Department were honored at the annual CIAA Spring Meeting held at the Marriott/Convention Center in Durham, NC.

Elizabeth City State University head football coach Waverly Tillar was again formally recognized as the 2006 CIAA Coach of the Year. Last fall, the fourth year coach of the Vikings guided ECSU to the best record in school history (9-3) as the team earned their first playoff berth since 1981. The Vikings captured the CIAA Eastern Division with a perfect 7-0 CIAA record and are ranked a pre-season #25 for Division II in the 2007 Lindy's College Football Magazine Preview.

April Emory, the ECSU sports information director, was awarded the John Holley Sports Information Director of the Year for the 2006-07 season. Emory, who just completed her sixth year as the SID, serves at the media liaison on behalf of the Athletic Department for (11) varsity sports at ECSU. She has served as president of the CIAA Sports Information Directors' Association since 2005 and is a college division representative on the College Sports Information Directors of America, (CoSIDA) Board of Directors, the first African-American female in the organizations' history to hold a seat on the Board.

### Viking Athletic Honors

#### WOMEN’S BASKETBALL
- **Celeste Trahan** - Center
  - CIAA Weekly Honors - Player of the Week (4 times)
  - All-CIAA (2007)
  - CIAA Women's Player of the Year (2007)
  - CAA All-Tournament Team (2007)
  - WBCLA/Kodak All-American (2007)
  - Daktronics All-Region-Women (First Team) (2006-2007)
  - Daktronics All-American (Second Team) (2006-2007)
  - NCCSIA University Division All-State Women's Basketball (First Team) (2006-2007)

- **Deanna Price** - Guard
  - All-CIAA (2007)
  - Women's Defensive Player of the Year (2007)
  - CIAA All-Tournament Team (2007)
  - Daktronics All-Region-Women (Second Team) (2006-2007)

- **Tiffany Smith** - Forward
  - 2007 All-CIAA

#### MEN’S BASKETBALL
- **Anthony Hilliard** - Guard/Forward
  - CIAA Weekly Honors - Player of the Week (2 times)
  - All-CIAA (2007)
  - CAA All-Tournament Team (2007)
  - CAA Tournament MVP (2007)
  - Daktronics All-Region-Men (First Team) (2006-2007)
  - NCCSIA University Division All-State Men's Basketball (First Team) (2006-2007)

- **C.J. Pigford** - Forward
  - CIAA Weekly Honors - Player of the Week (2 times)
  - All-CIAA (2007)
  - CAA All-Tournament Team (2007)

- **Jabryon Wilson** - Forward
  - CIAA All-Tournament Team (2007)

#### BASEBALL
- **Meshaw Taylor** - Short Stop
  - Defensive Player of the Week
  - All-CIAA Baseball Team (2007)
  - CAA Baseball Player of the Year (2007)
  - Daktronics All-Region Baseball Team (2007)

- **Nick Johnson** - First Baseman
  - Offensive Player of the Week
  - All-CIAA Baseball Team (2007)

- **JJ House** - Outfielder
  - Player of the Week
  - All-CIAA Baseball Team (2007)

- **John Wilson** - Designated Hitter
  - All-Tournament Team (2007)

- **Jacon Harrell** - Catcher
  - Baseball CIAA All-Rookie Team (2007)

- **Troy Andrews** - Outfield
  - Baseball CIAA All-Rookie Team (2007)

- **William Stallings** - Infield
  - Baseball CIAA All-Rookie Team (2007)

- **Terrance Whittle**
  - Coach of the Week

#### SOFTBALL
- **Tiffany Smith** - First Base
  - All-CIAA Softball First Team

- **Prisca Mobley** - Pitcher
  - All-CIAA Softball Second Team

- **Alicia Graham** - Pitcher
  - All-CIAA Softball Second Team
The annual spring Athletics Banquet spotlighted the athletes who gave Viking fans so many reasons to cheer last year. Anthony Hilliard and Celeste Trahan garnered top honors as the Male and Female Athlete of the Year as selected by the Student Athlete Advisory Committee.

Hilliard, who was also named the most valuable player for men’s basketball and in addition, also ran cross country, was the only CIAA player to average a double-double last season. He was named All-CIAA, MVP of the CIAA basketball tournament, First Team All-South Atlantic region and finished the year ranking fourth in the nation in rebounds. Celeste Trahan was named to two different All-America teams this past season, helped lead the Lady Vikings to their first ever NCAA post season appearance and was named CIAA Player of the Year, the first Lady Viking in school history to receive that honor. She also ran cross country and played tennis.

Other special awards included the Ralph and Joyce Cole Award, presented to the student-athlete with the highest grade point average majoring in education (Charles McEachin, football); the Thurills and Brenda Little Award, given to the football’s top offensive lineman (Ronnie McClary); the Thomas L. Caldwell Award, given to a football player in honor of the former head football coach and Athletic Director (Curtis Rich, Jr.); and the R.L. Vaughan Award given to the top men’s and women’s basketball players (C.J. Pigford, Celeste Trahan). Student-athletes in each sport received MVP awards (selected by coaches) and the Pepsi Awards (coaches’ recommendations). They are as follows:

**2006-07 TEAM MVP**

Football- Chris Carter (offensive), Maceo Thomas (defensive); Bowling- Monique Francois; Cross Country- Olajuwon Johnson (men’s), Ashley Bowman (women’s); Volleyball- Tanika Hudgins; Basketball- Anthony Hilliard (men), Celeste Trahan (Co-MVP), Deanna Price (Co-MVP) (women); Women’s Tennis- Lauren Lee (Co-MVP), April Whitaker (Co-MVP); Golf- Dustin Boothe; Baseball- Meshaw Taylor; Softball- Alicia Graham (Co-MVP), Prisca Mobley (Co-MVP); Cheerleading- Kesa Matlock

**2006-07 PEPSI AWARDS**

Golden Helmet (Football)- Emanuel Plummer; Golden Foot (Cross Country) - Celeste Trahan (women), Anthony Hilliard (men); Golden Bowler (Women’s Bowling)- Marika Bell; Golden Volleyball (Volleyball)- Christina Hager; Golden Basketball- Tiffany Smith (women), Olajuwon Johnson (men); Golden Racket (Women’s Tennis)- Claire Vinick; Gold Club (Gold)- Lisa Westbrook; Gold Glove (Softball)- Cekea Cox; Gold Glove (Baseball)- J.J. House; Golden Most Spirited (Cheerleading) Ashley Bowden.
These camps are good for youths to become disciplined teens and adults in the future...,” Coach Tillar said.

ECSU coaches welcome youths for summer camps

America’s favorite pastime drew a hearty group of youths to Holmes Field in June. Elizabeth City State University baseball officials and the Elizabeth City Parks and Recreation hosted a baseball camp for area youths at the baseball field behind, Knobbs Creek Recreational Center.

Camp counselors taught approximately 50 youths, ages 8-16, the fundamentals of the game, the elements of sportsmanship, and a series of related drills. ECSU Baseball Coach Terrance Whittle said youngsters need fielding, hitting, base running, catching, and conditioning sessions to prepare for a game that can be rewarding over the course of their lives. Members of the Elizabeth City State University baseball team and the ECSU Softball Coach Anton Thomas served as camp counselors in the “Ultimate Baseball Camp Experience.”

Over at Roebuck Stadium, the ECSU football coaches and the Vikings welcomed 60 youths to campus for the “Little Vikings Camp.” Youngsters from Pasquotank, Camden, Perquimans, and Chowan counties learned the fundamentals of football. Coach Waverly Tillar said they discussed strengthening and conditioning routines for the youths. To compliment the football instructions, Beverly Shannon, a nurse and coordinator for Kate B. Reynolds Obesity Grant, held wellness and nutrition segments for the youths. Shannon emphasized the importance of fresh fruit, healthful muffins, milk and juices instead of sugar-laced pastries and carbonated beverages for breakfast or snack time. Coach Tillar praised Shannon’s recommendations for nourishing foods to properly fuel the body for exercise.

“These camps are good for youths to become disciplined teens and adults in the future. They played skeleton games on the field and enjoyed fun games at the University’s Commuter Center. Youth camps are a great way of giving back to the community, educating young males on the game of football, and teaching the importance of teamwork at an early age,” Tillar said.
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Charlotte Convention & Visitors Bureau
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For alumni events, call the Office of Alumni Relations at 252.335.3498.

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► Includes in stadium parking at Roebuck Stadium in Elizabeth City

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► Admission to all home games, including Winter Homecoming
► VIP Seating

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