

## CGA, GALA Kickoff

### Football Meet with Food and Injuries

On Sunday, Oct. 28, several members from GALA, a gay student group at N.C. State, met a large group of CGA's finest for a combination picnic/football game. Rain threatened to dampen the "gridiron" at Umstead Park, but the sun prevailed for this festive event.

After we introduced ourselves, we broke out the food and sat down to a filling--if not entirely healthy--lunch.

The football kickoff followed lunch. As we chose captains and began picking teams, some of us were reminded of times when we were growing up and were always the last to be picked for a team, if we were picked at all. Realizing this common fear of being the last one chosen, we never let it get down to only one person; we simply grouped off.

The game was intended to be injury-free, two-hand tag. But we soon got more competitive, and the passes got longer and the "tags" rougher. The game ended in a tie, so there were no losers.

The next day, however, at the CGA office, Cathy hobbled in on crutches, and I came in with a finger splint. Others complained of sore muscles and bruises.

I guess we once again destroyed the stereotypes. We're not a bunch of wimps; we have our injuries to prove it.

-Jim

(GAY CATAMOUNT, continued from page 1) in order to avoid harassment in cafeterias. Church attendance was unthinkable; we black sheep were not desired in any flock. I quickly discovered that the fastest way to empty a communal dormitory shower of its occupants was for me to walk in. I used this discovery to my advantage at times when all of the stalls were in use.

During the year that I spent at WCU I suffered no bodily harm due to my sexuality. Considering the aforesaid, this fact is nothing short of amazing.

Property damage was, however, an entirely different matter. My car suffered most of all. Before I left the campus at the end of the year, my car had been vandalized ten times, my dormitory room lock glued shut three times, and last--but not at all least--the word "queer" was permanently engraved on the same unfortunate door.

After my experience at WCU, I have decided that I am much better off in my hometown. Since my return home I have enrolled in the local technical college and am pursuing a two-year degree in electrical engineering.

So the next time that those of you at UNC-CH have some sexual slurs or unkind remarks hurled in your direction, remember me and the other gay Catamounts and never take for granted the liberalism of your campus and the constant battle that is required to keep it that way.

-M.R.

## Drug-resistant STD

A drug-resistant strain of gonorrhea has cropped up again in Durham, according to Dr. John Fletcher, director of the Durham County health department, as quoted in an Aug. 1, 1984 article in the Durham Morning Herald.

Fletcher said about 25 cases of the sexually transmitted disease have been reported since May but that he does not expect the current outbreak to be as extensive as last year's outbreak which affected some 200 people.

He reports that the usual penicillin and tetracycline do not cure the resistant strain and that doctors instead must use spectinomycin.

Since its discovery the strain has been reported in 16 states, as far west as Oregon, and has been found in both heterosexuals and homosexuals.



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