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### **KNOXVILLE COLLEGE IN TENNESSEE** HAS REDUCED ITS TUITION

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Historically black college, Knoxville College in east Tennessee has reduced its tuition from \$5,000 to \$1,400 per student including room, board, and books.

All you need is \$600 for the enrollment deposit and \$800 can be paid in four monthly installments of \$200 each.

The program is funded by corporate sponsors and guarantees a College education where students graduate debt free. Enrollment requirements include a high school diploma and a 2.0/4.0 scale.

If your student has below a 2.0, but you know they are college material, they may be considered provided they get three letters of recommendation for educators who will support their potential.

All interested students must immediately contact the admissions office at Knoxville College by dialing 1-800-743-5669 or applying on line at http://www.knoxvillecollege.edu/.

## **KIPLINGER'S LIST ECSU IN TOP 100**

**Public Relations Report** 

Kiplinger's Personal Finance magazine recently placed Elizabeth City State University on its top 100 list of public colleges for value and quality.

Kiplinger's surveyed 500 colleges and universities across the nation in an effort to find the best deals. To determine which schools made the top 100 list, Kiplinger's looked at several factors related to the cost of attending an institution and the quality of education

offered. Indicators included freshmen entrance exam scores; the number of freshmen who return for their sophomore year; four and six year graduation rates; the amount of money spent on educational materials per student; the amount spent maintaining library resources; the average amount of debt graduates incurred and the student-faculty ratio.

The results, "Baccalaureate Bargains," appear in the October 2002 issue of Kiplinger's Personal Finance magazine.

## **ECSU RANKS #3 IN US NEWS** AND WORLD REPORT

#### **Public Relations Report**

 Elizabeth City State University celebrates its recent selection by U.S. News and World Report magazine as a top institution in its ranking of America s Best Colleges.

ECSU is ranked third in the magazine s category of public comprehensive colleges. Public comprehensive colleges are those institutions focusing primarily on undergraduate education. There are 324 such colleges considered and ranked within four regions: North, South, Midwest, and West.

Rankings are based on widely accepted indicators of academic excellence and assessments from peer institution administrators. For each institution include the level of education professors have; the student/faculty ratio; ACT and SAT test scores of incoming freshmen; the retention and graduation rate of students; contributions from alumni; financial aid availability and the selection

of undergraduate and graduate degrees offered. Schools are also categorized by mission and region.

This is the third time in the last four years ECSU has been ranked in the top third of our category. Chancellor Mickey L. Burnim is delighted ECSU performed so well in this evaluation of universities.

"It is good to see ECSU recognized in national publications such as U.S. News and World Report, for this is further confirmation of what we already knew-that ECSU provides an excellent higher education value," Burnim said.

"Through our quality degree programs, and our fine facilities and faculty, we are preparing our students to succeed in life."

U. S. News and World Report publish the report, "America's Best Colleges." to help parents and potential students discover the best deals in the country on higher education. The report appears in



### ECSU EXCEEDS ENROLLMENT **Public Relations Report**

Elizabeth City State University's fall 2002 enrollment is 2,147 students, exceeding the target of 2,142. This is the highest enrollment in ECSU's 112-year history and equates to a 7.1% growth over the fall 2001 enrollment of 2,004 students.

The increases are even more signifi cant as it relates to new freshman and transfer students. The current new freshman class enrollment of 466 is the 2nd highest in the history of the university and represents a current increase of 27.3% when compared to the fall 2001 enrollment of 366.

The current new transfer class enrollment of 186 is the highest in the history of the university and represents a current increase of 57.6% when compared to the fall 2001 enrollment of 118. In addition, the 186 transfer students are 21.6% more than the previous record transfer enrollment of 153 in 1993. Elizabeth City State University's goa is to increase its student population to 3,000 by the year 2008.

the September 23 edition of U.S. News and World Report.

## TIPS ON HOW TO PROTECT YOURSELF FROM MOSQUITOES

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OK, mosquitoes...prepare to be repelled!!!!! Use Bounce Fabric Softener Sheets...Best thing ever used in Louisiana...just wipe on & go...Great for Babies.

Bob, a fisherman, takes one vitaimin B-1 tablet a day April through October . He said it works. He was right. The odor the tablet gives out through your skin (YOU can not smell it) repels mosquitoes, black flies, but not gnats. It does not work on stinging insects. Hasn't had a mosquito bit in 33 years. Try it. Every one he has talked into trying it works on

them. Vitamin B-1( Thiamine Hydrochloride 100 mg.)

Kenn said NPR reports that if you eat bananas, the mosquitoes like you, something about the banana oil as your body processes it. (Maybe they need the potassium too- lol) Stop eating bananas for the summer and the mosquitoes will be much less interested.

This is going to floor you, but one of the best insect repellents someone found (who is in the woods every day), is Vick's Vaporub.

Plant marigolds around the yard, the flowers give off a smell that bugs do not like, so plant some in that garden also to help ward off bugs without using insecticides.

"Tough guy" Marines who spend a great deal of time "camping out" say that the very best mosquito repellant you can use is Avon Skin-So-Soft bath oil mixed about half and half with alcohol.

Mix your own: 20 drops Eucalyptus oil 20 drops Cedarwood oil 10 drops Tea Tree oil 10 drops Geranium oil

2 oz. carrier oil ( such as Jojoba ) Mix together in a 4 oz. container.

Apply to skin as

needed avoiding the eye area. Keep out of reach

of children. Test on a small area of skin for sensitivities.

Experiment with different percent-

ages of essential oil

Sharon says that one of the best natural insect repellants that she has discovered is made from the clear real vanilla (not the grocery store vanilla extract which is mostly alcohol). This is the pure vanilla that is sold in Mexico. It's cheap there if you know of someone that lives there or in the US close to the border. If not, health food stores usually carry it or can order it for you. I use it half vanilla and half water and find that it works great for mosquitoes and ticks, don't know about other insects.

When all else fails-get a frog.

# PLEDGE TO VOTE, ECSU

Antonio Barrow Editor tony8248118@yahoo.com On October 1, 2002 at 2:00pm in Moore Hall Auditorium, Miss Elizabeth City State University, Tanyetta "Tai" Pittman, hosted the Vote for America Volunteer Training Program. James Todd, the campaign coordinator for Vote for American in North Carolina, was the guest speaker. He gave the students advice and information on voting and how to get others to vote.

He gave reasons on why it is important to vote. Politicians tend to recognize you more when they know that you vote. He also asked the students to talk about their voting experiences or their interest in voting. Some students said that they

vote because of earlier influences. Some ties, and Women. She is very determined students said that they did not vote because of the problems they experience while registering. Some students did not see the need to vote because they saw no changes in society.

Todd gave the students a booklet, which talked about the purpose of the campaign, ways to get people to register and to vote, answers to questions that students may have, websites to go to in case they are curious about voting, and a list of contact persons from each county. For more information about this campaign, go to http:// www.voteforamerica.org.

Pittman stressed the importance of voting last year in her platform. She supports Voter Registration for Youth, Minori-

as she reaches out to the students and the community as well.

Pittman, along with SGA, went to the dorms, passing out registration forms and encouraging students to vote.

On Wednesday, October 9, She explained to the students the importance of voting by using examples.

One example that she used was the idea of a curfew for Elizabeth City. If the legislature passed a curfew law, that law will affect Elizabeth City. The idea is that if we vote, we might have stopped the passing of certain laws. The legislature may also look at statistics on people, county or state votes. If they see that you do not vote, they will keep passing laws, believing that you will not vote.

Voting is important when it comes to applying for a job or work in a political field. The employer may look up your information to see if you are registered to vote.

For this upcoming election, one of the issues that the legislature is trying to pass is an eight percent increase in tuition. With the student's vote, we might be able to stop the passing of that law.

If you want to vote but cannot vote on November 5, the One-Stop, No Excuse Absentee Voting begins on October 17 through November 2.

If we want to make a change, we must be willing to do what we must to make it happen.