



Eric Cunningham
.....Has 3.8 GPA

Three Charlotteans Named To Honor Society

Charlotte can applaud four Queen City natives who are now attending DeVry Institute of Technology in Atlanta, Ga.

Eric Cunningham, 6310 Hidden Forest Dr., Richard Perry, 1139 Clanton Rd., and Kevin and Christopher Jones, both of 6955 Old Providence Rd., were named to the Presidential Honor Society at DeVry Institute of Technology.

Their biographies will be published in the prestigious 7th annual edition of the National Dean's List 1983-84.

Each recipient of this honor has at least a cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 3.5 out of a possible 4.0 average.

Cunningham, the son of Joan Cannon, just happened to be home from the Institute earlier this week. He was recommended for the honor by William N. Weaver, president of the college. This semester Cunningham's GPA was 4.0. His cumulative average is 3.8. A 1983 graduate of Myers Park High School, Cunningham entered his college with little apprehension. (He was informed about the college during Career Day at Myers Park.)

"I was actually afraid," Cunningham stated. "But friends helped me out a great deal and extra work on my behalf also helped out."

"I also owe a lot to my mother. A lot of students have to work and attend school. But I don't have to work and I spend the majority of my time studying."

Cunningham will attend the Institute for 2½ years. His field of study is electronic engineering. He is also working in the Test Instrument (TI) Project at his college. "The TI Project involves the 314 machine. We create our own material - something that industries have not created as of yet. These are in-school experiments."

Cunningham enjoys football and when at home attends Covington Presbyterian Church, located in Kannapolis.

Owning a business is an ambition of Cunningham's. There are presently a variety of options facing him, but he has not decided upon one for now. The need of a certain product or commodity will dictate his business endeavor.

He has six brothers: Shawn, Calvin, Robert, Jimmy, Reggie and Nicholas.

Other Charlotteans receiving the award include: Kevin Jones, a student in the Computer Information Systems Program with a 4.0 GPA; Christopher Jones, a student in the Computer Information Systems Program with a 3.9 GPA; and Richard Perry, in the Electronic Technician Program with a 3.6 GPA.

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Drug Awareness Week

The University of North Carolina at Charlotte will hold its first annual "Drug Awareness Week" November 12-15, according to Masherrill Fant, health educator with UNCC's Brocker Health Center.

The four-day event will be sponsored by the University health Promotion Committee and the Student Government Association.

Lectures are scheduled by members of Mothers Against Drunk Drivers (MADD) and Steve Newman, director of Mecklenburg County Substance Abuse Services.

The centerpiece of Drug Awareness Week will be a Drug Awareness Fair, featuring cash prizes for best booth, balloons and non-alcoholic "beer," November 13 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Cone University Center Plaza.

There will also be a "Family Feud Drug Survey," patterned after the popular TV show, the same day in McKnight Hall.

"We want to do our part to make everyone aware of the problems of drug abuse," Fant said. "We are trying to develop strategies for providing drug information and assessing health needs."

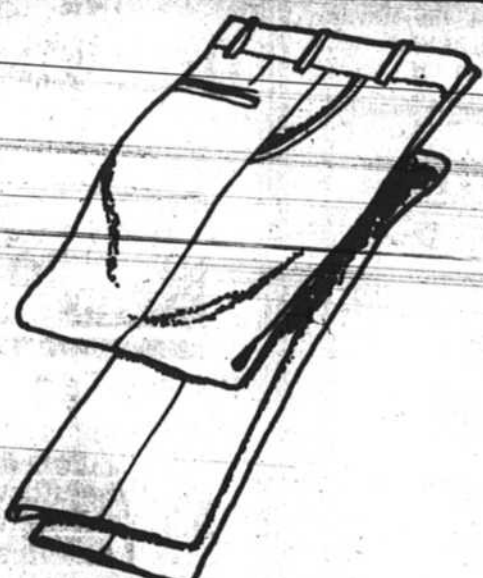
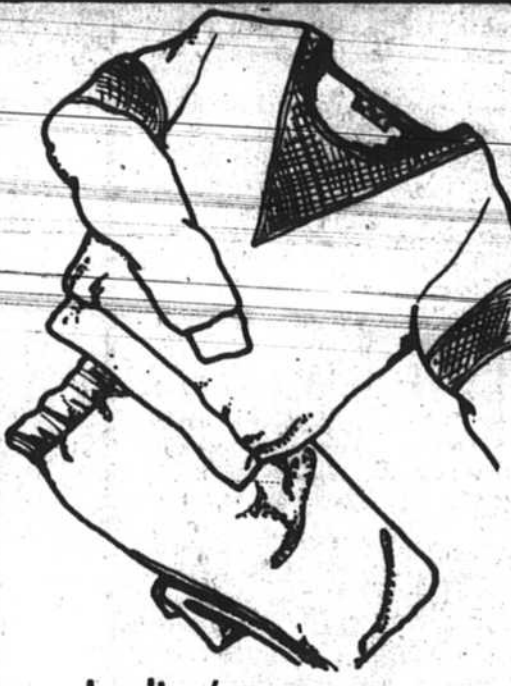
For further information, contact Fant at Brocker Health Center, 597-4617, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. weekdays.

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