# www.theeastcarollinian.com Www.theeastcarollinian.com Security breach at ECU NC celebrates

letter. Those affected also received an information packet containing recommendations on preventative actions from the Federal Trade



Commission.

"We are forming a high-level task force to review how data is handled campus-wide," said Jack McCoy, director of the ECU Information Security Office.

The FTC provides information on identity theft and also a course of action to limit the amount of damage a theft can inflict. In some states, there are laws that allow a victim of identity theft to enact a credit freeze.

Tyrell Clemons, a senior visiting student from UNC-Chapel Hill majoring in psychology and pre-law, says he knows "identity theft exists, but it's not something I worry about on a day to day basis." He added that the threat of identity theft does not prevent him from completing transactions, on the Internet or otherwise.

#### - Computer security is a major

# national freedom

another year of

Personal information about 250 students was exported via the internet.

# Students react to information export

**ELIZABETH YORK** STAFF WRITER

A computer security breach has recently created a disruption for some ECU students and faculty. A document containing the personal information of 250 students and applicants in the department of physician assistant studies was exported from an Internet server. Computer specialists discovered the security breach in May while repairing the server after complaints of slow computer speed.

The individuals whose information was taken were notified by a

§ concern on campus.

Matt Duncan, a junior communication major, said he has had three computers broken into. Viruses entered his computer via e-mail, and caused major damage. "I want to see if they can

increase the penalty on hackers," said Duncan.

"Have zero tolerance for them – throw them in jail."

Batrice Adcock, a master's student in nursing, said she often depends on campus computers in the event that her home computer is down.

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Thousands of people crowd into Union Point Park in downtown New Bern, N.C., to watch fireworks at the annual Fourth of July celebration Monday. The city of Greenville held festivities in honor of American freedom throughout the entire day. The holiday weekend ended with a complete fireworks show at the Town Commons, which could be seen from miles around downtown Greenville.

# ECU researchers discover lost Civil War relic

Faculty and student team spend month diving at sunken ship SHANNON KEITH STAFF WRITER and its fate did exist, the exact location of the wreckage was unknown. The Otsego, lacking the fame of its iron-clad contemporaries, such as the USS Monitor and CSS Albemarle, became a little-remembered footnote in the maritime history of the U.S. Civil War.

waters that often limited visibility to less than three feet. Research such as this is nothing new to the program, which over the years has located and researched numerous sites in the shipwreck-rich waters of coastal North Carolina. The Maritime Studies program, a part of ECU's history department, has developed a distinguished reputation for teaching and research in the field of nautical archeology. The program, established in 1981, has developed joint-research projects with numerous organizations such as the N.C. Maritime Museum, Office of Naval Research, the Bermuda Maritime Museum and the U.S. Coast Guard, to locate, identify, research

and salvage lost and sunken ships. In the R/V Perkins, the programs 65-foot research vessel, students and faculty have participated in such expeditions as the search for the USS Alligator, the navy's first submarine that was lost off the coast of NC in 1863, the USS Monitor, the famed iron-clad of the U.S. Civil War and the wreckage thought to be the Queen Anne's Revenge, the flagship of the infamous pirate Blackbeard. The various findings of their research are featured in Stem to Stern, an annual publication put out by Maritime Studies to catalog the various expeditions undertaken by the faculty and students within the program. As for the fate of the Otsego, it

must remain on the bottom of the Roanoke for the time being.

December 9, 1864, the USS Otsego, a Union warship traveling up the Roanoke River, sailed into a nest of Confederate mines.

The 220-foot vessel, as well as Bazely, the 70-foot tugboat sent to retrieve the Otsego, fell victim to the enemy mines and ended up mired on the bottom of the Roanoke. Although historic and military accounts of the ship

The ship's legacy may have even been forgotten altogether; if not for the efforts of a team of researchers from ECU. In a month-long research project, ending late last month, a dozen students and faculty members from ECU's Program in Maritime Studies searched a six-mile stretch of river near Jamesville, N.C. and mapped it for study. Students dived on the wreckage and identified ship sections of the Otsego and Bazely, despite the murky Larry E. Babits, director of the program, said parts of the ship were not retrieved because the school's permit with the Navy only allowed for the survey work, as well as complications in preserving the wooden and iron artifacts from deterioration.

However, Babits said this does not take away from the excitement of such a one of a kind find such as this.

"All other Otsego-style ships have been lost," Babits said.

"We can look at it as a sole survivor of its class."

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#### news@theeastcarolinian.com PAGE A2 KRISTIN DAY NEWS EDITOR WEDNESDAY JULY 6, 2005

# Announcements

### Alert system

The ECU pop-up ALERT system is a software program that can be downloaded by anyone, regardless of his or her status with the university. It can be downloaded onto any computer at ecu.edu/cs-itcs/download.cfm or by following the link on the ALERT

# News Briefs

### Local

#### 20 arrests from fights after **Charlotte fireworks show**

CHARLOTTE, NC - About 20 people were arrested after fights broke out Monday night in Charlotte following a fireworks show.

Police brought in officers from across

said, and intimidated people trying to leave parking garages.

### National

United Church of Christ rulemaking body passes resolution in favor of gay marriage

ATLANTA - The president of the United Church of Christ said his denomination "acted courageously to declare freedom" when it passed a resolution endorsing same-sex marriage on Independence Day. The resolution calls on member churches of the liberal denomination's 1.3 million members to consider wedding policies "that do not discriminate against couples based on gender." It also asks churches to consider supporting legislation granting equal marriage rights to gay and lesbian couples and to work against laws banning gay marriage. The endorsement by the church's rule-making body Monday makes it the largest Christian denomination to endorse same-sex marriage. The vote is not binding on individual churches, but could cause some congregations to leave the fold.

relationships recognized as marriages by the state, and encouraging our local churches to celebrate and bless those marriages," said the Rev. John H. Thomas, president of the United Church of Christ.

Roughly 80 percent of the representatives on the church's 884member General Synod voted to approve the resolution Monday, a day after a committee recommended it. A small group of conservative congregations had proposed an alternative resolution defining marriage as between a man and a woman, and suggested that supporting gay marriage could lead to the church's collapse.

#### political expediency and unearth the truth.

The prosecutors named Khozh-Akhmed Nukhayev, a former Chechen separatist figure, saying he had killed the editor of Forbes magazine's Russian edition as vengeance for a critical book the American wrote about him. But as the first anniversary of Klebnikov's killing approaches, other possible motives are still circulating. "Without any information about the evidence, we're all left speculating about the credibility of this claim that the prosecutor has made," said Alex Lupis of the New York-based Committee to Protect Journalists. June 16, when it announced the results of the investigation, the chief prosecutor's office revealed nothing about the basis for its conclusion and declined requests for further comment. Washington's offers of help in the Klebnikov, a 41-year-old New Yorker of Russian decent, was shot as he left his

probe have likewise gone unanswered or been rebuffed.

office at around 10 p.m. July 9, 2004.

The killing cut short the career of a man

who had chronicled the violent chaos

of Russian capitalism after the Soviet

#### Web site: ecu.edu/alert.

### **25th Anniversary Memorial** Service

The Greenville Fire and Rescue Department will hold a memorial service to honor the life and service of Lt. Steven Jerry Mills July 6 at 10 a.m. in Fire Station .3. . Lt. Mills dies in the line of duty while fighting a house fire.

### Farmers' market demo

Felix Fernandez, ECU's executive chief, will demonstrate cooking techniques Saturday, July 9 from 8 - 11 a.m. at Pitt County Farmers' Market on **County Home Road. Free samplings** and recipes will be available and Fernandez will also demonstrate carving techniques for watermelons and other produce. Robin High, ECU's own nutritionist, will speak about the benefits of eating fresh fruits and vegetables. For more information, email Linda Alva at Ima0619@mail.ecu. edu or call 744-3114.

Mecklenburg County to shut down city streets and bring the situation under control.

The 20 people were arrested on charges such as fighting, disorderly conduct and resisting arrest, police spokesman Keith Bridges said Tuesday. He was not aware of any injuries.

"We don't know for sure what started the original fight but following that, there were more fights," said Bridges. "Some of the youths were stopping cars and jumping on them."

Police were on the scene for several hours after the fireworks show ended about 10:20 p.m. getting people out of the area, Bridges said.

Charlotte-Mecklenburg police Capt. Tim Jayne hesitated to call the situation a riot, but officers on the street used that term as they radioed to each other. At its height, Jayne estimated the crowds numbered about 2,000. People threw fireworks into the crowds, blocked traffic and refused to respond to police, said Jayne. The crowds pushed a Dumpster into the street, he

"On this July Fourth the General Synod of the United Church of

### International

**Russia says American Journalist's** murder solved, but doubts linger MOSCOW - For nearly a year after American journalist Paul Klebnikov was gunned down on a Moscow street, his killing was like dozens of other high-profile Russian murder cases - plenty of speculation but no resolution. Then something unusual happened: The government said it was solved.

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### **Dissertation defense** presentation

Saravanan Elangovan of the department of communication sciences and disorders at ECU's School of Allied Health will present the dissertation defense presentation entitled, "The Role of Auditory Temporal Processing in the Speech Perception of Voicing in Stop Consonants" Tuesday, July 19 at 2 p.m. in room 101 Belk Building. Advisement is given by Andrew Stuart, Gregg Givens, Sherri Jones and Joseph Kalinowski.

### Kitty calendar contest deadline extended

Christ has acted courageously to declare freedom, affirming marriage equality, affirming the civil rights of same gender couples to have their

an investigation that has become the country his ancestors came from, a crucial test of President Vladimir and a measure of confidence that Putin's Russia and its justice system things were improving under Putin. - whether it can dig deeper than

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# NC State must pay \$300,000 for harrassment

RALEIGH, NC (AP) - Two research assistants who sued NC State University over sexual harassment by a civil engineering professor will be paid \$300,000, a state judicial panel has ruled.

Evalyn Gonzales and Kathy A. Wood had worked for Shuaib Ahmad, a civil engineering professor who has left the university. When Gonzales and Wood made their accusations in 1997, the university allowed Ahmad to resign and gave him a positive recommendation letter. The university also promoted Ahmad to full professor after the allegations were made and paid him the rest of his \$80,710 salary, according to the order issued last week by the state Industrial Commission.

Ahmad asked one woman to go to the beach with him for a weekend and once offered her an aphrodisiac nut.

NC State refused comment on the order because it is appealing it, but university spokeswoman Deborah Griffin said NC State doesn't tolerate sexual harassment. Neither victim wanted to comment, said their attorney. In the 10 years between the first complaint and the lawsuit, 10 women were victimized because of the university's negligence, Deputy Commissioner George T. Glenn II said in the order. Glenn also said the university had a pattern of ignoring sexual misconduct. It took years to get the ruling because the N.C. Court of Appeals first had to decide whether the women, who had filed complaints with the university, should proceed in state court or before the commission, which presides over workplace claims against the state.

Marley Fund's 2006 calendar contest is extending its entry deadline to July 22. Send your favorite photo of your pet along with a story of why he is so special and a \$10 entry fee to 1510-208 Wimbledon Way, Greenville, NC 27858, to qualify your animal. Winners will be featured as a monthly model in Marley Fund's 2006 Calendar. For more information, please call Joy at 215-0925.

Irena Marie Astrom-Shaw celebrates her newly-acquired U.S. citizenship with her daughter Hannah, 5, Monday, July 4, 2005, following a naturalization and granting of citizenship ceremony at Harmony Hall in Kinston, N.C. Irena's husband, John Shaw, and son, Alexander, were also present. 30 candidates received their U.S. cltizenship during the ceremony.

According to the order, Ahmad engaged in palm reading, neck rubs and hugs, put his hands under one woman's shorts and tried to unbutton another's blouse.

# 7-06-05 THE EAST CAROLINIAN . NEWS Brown tries to dampen the high expectations ahead of G-8 summit 8 priority. The Chancellor of the grotesquely irresponsible. It is



of our time" and is pushing for debt relief, free trade and a doubling of international aid.

But he told the British Broad-

Exchequer says helping the conti- unacceptable for politicians to nent is the "greatest moral crusade say 'prepare to be disappointed." Geldof, who masterminded the Live Aid concerts 20 years ago, has called for a million people to take a "Long Walk to Justice" and converge on Edinburgh, where rock acts including Texas and Annie Lennox will take part in a concert on Wednesday titled: "Edinburgh 50,000: The Final Push." Organizers say the figure refers to the number of people who will die that day from extreme poverty.

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If a person believes they are the victim of identity theft, they can file a complaint at the Federal Trade Commission Web site, ftc.gov. Next, visit the FTC's identity theft Web site, consumer.gov/idtheft. ECU students and faculty can access information on how to do their part to protect themselves by going to the ECU Computer Safety & Security Web site, ecu. edu/cs-itcs/safetySecurity.cfm, and investigating the services provided.

An anti-capitalist protester confronts riot police lines with a placard in the centre of Edinburgh, Scotland, Monday, ahead of the G-8 summit.

EDINBURGH, Scotland (AP) - Tuesday Britain's Treasury chief warned that anti-poverty campaigners may be disappointed when G-8 leaders announce their package of aid to Africa.

Gordon Brown's effort to dampen expectations came as Live 8 organizer Bob Geldof traveled to the Scottish

capital, Edinburgh, to step up pressure ahead of the G-8 summit, which begins in Gleneagles Wednesday. Geldof insisted the British government should not be "lowering the bar" of what the G-8 should achieve. Brown is a driving force behind

British Prime Minister Tony Blair's efforts to make aid to Africa a G-

casting Corp. Tuesday that he'd warned campaigners the G-8 was unlikely to meet their expectations.

"I know that ... you will tell us we've got to do more. I know that what you will say is that what we can achieve is perhaps not good enough," Brown said he'd told campaigners. "But we have got to bring the whole of the world together. What Britain says is one thing, what we can persuade the rest of the world to do together is what we will get as the outcome of Gleneagles." Leaving London by train for Edinburgh, Geldof said he was "not prepared to be disappointed."

"I don't think that is an option," he said. "I don't think the Chancellor should try lowering the bar at this stage. We have come for victory. It has to happen now. Not to do it now would be

He was traveling with representatives from anti-poverty campaigns in France, Georgia, Ghana, Mali, Sierra Leone and Britain.

Blair's Africa Commission report calls for debt relief, fair trade and an extra \$25 billion a year in international aid for the continent by 2010, and then a further \$25 billion annually up to 2015.

Oxfam's head of advocacy Jo Leadbeater warned that 2010 would be "five years too late for the 55 million children who will die waiting for the world's richest leaders to deliver on their promises."

"I pretty much trust that the school keeps these computers safe," said Adcock.

Keeping information secure is a fine "balance of risk and cost," McCoy said.

"No matter how secure it is, there are still ways to break in."

He said the only sure way to make sure information is 100 percent secure would entail security measures so stringent that no one would be able to use the information.

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#### NC woman ordered evicted from apartment after being shot

JACKSONVILLE, NC - A woman who survived six gunshot wounds and a jump from her second-story apartment balcony to escape the man trying to kill her has been served with an eviction notice for, among other things, being too loud or too obnoxious.

Dorothea Thomas, 39, was attacked June 24. Wednesday, the day after she returned to her apartment from Pitt County Memorial Hospital in Greenville, she found a notice on her front door, ordering her to leave. First she thought she had to leave by Monday, but she learned Thursday that she has three weeks to move out.

"I was not doing the violence. I was the victim. I shouldn't be treated like

According to the eviction notice, Thomas and her guests cannot behave in a loud or obnoxious manner. They also can't disturb or "threaten the rights, comfort, health, safety or convenience of others (including agents and employees) in or near the apartment community, disrupting our business operations."

Thomas was hit in the right palm, right forearm, right breast, upper left chest, left thigh and left buttocks. Doctors are still waiting for the bullet in her chest to move closer to the surface before removing it. The one lodged between her tailbone and hip won't be removed unless it becomes too painful, she said.

### Pawtucket cancels July 4th fireworks after game against

on the ground. "They all started going off all at once," **Battalion Fire Chief Michael Carter** said Monday.

The fireworks exploded in multiple directions, with sparks hitting a scoreboard and setting fire to some bushes outside the stadium,

#### Carter said.

At least six people were treated for minor injuries, including several workers who suffered minor burns while standing near the explosion. The fireworks were part of Independence Day celebrations at the Triple A stadium, and had been staged without incident on Saturday night. They were canceled Monday "in the interest of public safety" according

to the team's Web site.

The city's police and fire departments

was treated for unknown injuries Sunday night at New Hanover Regional Medical Center. The injuries are not life threatening, said Wilmington police Lt. J.D. Varrone.

#### Masters, of Wilmington, told police he was swimming in Greenfield Lake when he was attacked by the powerful reptile near a wooden observation deck overlooking the water. Signs prohibiting swimming or disturbing alligators are posted around the lake. Mike Core was standing on the deck with a friend when he saw a man go into the lake behind the city pumping station.

"This dude jumped in the lake and we saw him bobbing along in the water and we saw the alligator coming," Core said. The alligator made a beeline toward the disturbance in the water created by Masters, witnesses said.

#### NC residents among dozens arrested in SC for cockfighting FLORENCE, SC - Police have arrested about 80 people on cockfighting and animal cruelty charges in Chesterfield County.

**Chesterfield County Sheriff Sam Parker** said most of those arrested Saturday were from Darlington and Kershaw counties in South Carolina and Robeson and Scotland counties in North Carolina. Parker said the arrests were the result of investigations during the past two years. "We've missed out a couple of times before," Parker said. "We've been made aware of cockfighting activity in this area, but have been unsuccessful in finding the location until today." A tip Saturday morning paid off and brought Chesterfield deputies and animal control officers to the McBee site. Police seized chickens and cockfighting equipment as well as thousands in cash and two pounds of marijuana. The also found evidence of cockfighting, with about 100 chickens at the site, including several that were dead. "It's very trashy, very nasty and bloody," Parker said of the scene. "It's very unsanitary, very depressing when you see all those dead chickens lying on the ground ... just looked like a death arena." Investigators say participants were vying for honors, including a 5-foot trophy inscribed "2005 Cock Fighter of the Year."

the perpetrator," said Thomas, a former Marine and Jacksonville police officer. Peggy Piche, district manager of United Dominion Residential Community, which owns the apartment complex, said in a news release Thursday that United Dominion Residential was saddened to hear about Thomas' injuries but that she would still need to move out.

"... Though we truly regret the difficulty she has been through, it is in the best interests of everyone involved that she no longer resides at our property and we are working with her to resolve this issue as soon as possible," said Piche.

#### Charlotte

PAWTUCKET, R.I. - The Pawtucket Red Sox canceled a July 4 fireworks display after a game against the Charlotte Knights Monday night because several people suffered burns and other injuries during a similar post-game show a day earlier.

Two fans were injured when they tripped and fell while trying to run away Sunday, police said.

Officials said a fireworks shell apparently exploded as soon as it came out of its tube, shooting sideways and triggering a "chain reaction" of sparks, which ignited other fireworks

are investigating the accident along with the state Fire Marshal's Office. Monday's Red Sox game against Charlotte was scheduled to go on as planned, with Curt Schilling expected to make a rehabilitative start for Pawtucket.

#### Wilmington man attacked by alligator in lake

WILMINGTON, NC - A 10-foot-long alligator chomped down on a man's right arm then let him go while the man was swimming in a lake Sunday afternoon, officials said.

Floyd Masters, who's around 40,

"It latched right on to him. It was cutting right across the water and it got him," Core said. "I kept telling him, 'The alligator's coming. Get out! Get out!" Core and his friend were able to get Masters away from the shoreline, and he used his shirt to make a tourniquet for the bleeding arm. Core said Masters also had bite marks on his chest, stomach and hand.

State wildlife officials and local police are investigating.

Masters was not available for comment.

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# Pirate Rants

Come on people. Can you please be just a tad bit patient with the Orientation process. I know you already go student professional bus drivers, to school here, you know how everything works, and of course, you're a genius, but chill out for one second. These parents and incoming students are new to the area, nervous about their first day on campus, trying to find their way in the rain, and a little confused about some things. So they're going to ask questions and they may ask a lot. They don't know that the "Park and Ride" is different from the "Orientation Shuttle". Please, show them respect. You have no right being disrespectful unless you've worked as an Orientation Assistant and even then, you should be welcoming to these people. You're going to get to class on time. I Promise.

bus. Don't forget student fees pay your salary! Maybe if we had nonthere wouldn't be any complaints when a student asks a question!

Why is it that the school year

#### Take one step outside a dorm or apartment and there is one sight you are sure to see on a sunny day: people tanning. Girls and guys

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best looking people of the time and they were without tans. Yes, they would lie in the sun at any given chance but the starring women, Jennie Garth and Shannon Doherty had no tan at all, they were actually bordering on the line of too pale. Everyone wanted to be Kelly or Brenda at some point. What about Luke Perry and Jason. Priestley? They were some of the hottest looking guys on television and they did not have the gross tanned look that guys seem to be going for these days. A flashback may not be enough for some people to think about their tanning habits but a look at the present may be. There are it allows them to wear an array of many entertainers and people of authority today who do not sport a tan. Gwen Stefani, one of the best looking female vocalists out there, does not have a tan at all. When asked about her skin care by magazines, Gwen says she uses self tanner when she has the desire to look tan. Eminem, on the male

of these artists have hugely successful careers and no tan.

If examples of successful, beautiful people are not enough, what

# Our View Is tanning now worth all the wrinkles later?

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How come we pay full tuition and during the summer we have to pay extra to use the Rec center facilities?

If you have to complain about helping someone get to the place they want to be on the ECU Bus line,

parking tags expired on June 30? That is not the end of any summer session and now I am left without a place to park.

Tony McKee- If you're are pissing them off, you're making them think, so keep up the good work. Bus Drivers- Thanks for the great job. To the bus driver that stopped to let my friend get her pocketbook off the bus Thursday, a special thanks.

Students- Keep ranting, I find you vastly amusing.

Instructors- Thanks for cutting us a little slack during the summer.

Who do I talk to about an interview in your music section?? (From the editor: Whomever sent this Pirate Rant in, please e-mail me and let me know your name, if you are serious

alike get up in the morning with one purpose in mind, to go outside and soak up all of those warm, skin damaging rays. What is the real cost of this bronzed look though?

Everyone has done it. Looked at someone with a great tan and thought one of two things: "Wow, they have a really great tan, I wish mine was that good," or "Look at that tanning bed victim, they are going to be a wrinkled piece of leather in 15 years."

What is the real appeal of a tan? Some people think it makes them look skinnier, other people say that colorful clothes. Males seem to be under the impression that their physique will look more toned with a straight off the beach tan. The truth of the matter is, these few years of bronzed glory are doing irreversible damage to your skin. Back in the 90s, the group of

about skin cancer? According to Coppertone, the founders of the Sun Safety Alliance, more than one million new cases of skin cancer are diagnosed each year. Skin cancer is the fastest growing cancer among Americans, which is partly attributed to the fact that each sunburn someone has doubles their chances of getting skin cancer.

A popular defense among tanners is, "I am wearing some sunscreen so I don't get burned." Though protection from an ugly burn is great, any color from the sun is skin damage that can never be reversed. Outdoor tanning and tanning bed use now will greatly increase the risk of squamous cell carcinoma, basal cell carcinoma and melanoma in the future. Next time you get ready to go to the tanning bed or lay out for the day, think about whether this tan is

maybe you shouldn't be driving a about a job.)



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# Should homeless shelters charge to stay?

You know the world has gone crazy when homeless shelters are charging people to sleep under a previously fee-free roof. Welcome to Greenville.

Why are they making the employment. homeless pay? Because the fee will help fund programs to get the homeless off the streets.

Watching a representative from the shelter tell a reporter that \$3 is not a lot of money to ask for is baffling. Sure, to the common American resident, it isn't. However when a man has to beg for change all day and finally raises those \$3, should he give up his only meal so he can sleep in a place he could previously

who can take advantage of these programs are those who were lucky enough to find work in a town where educated college students and graduates cannot find suitable

There are college students, parents, even homeowners who at this moment cannot spare \$3 because their next check won't be available until the following week. But we expect the homeless to provide it?

Of course there are homeless people who use any money they find to buy alcohol and drugs, so it is hard to defend their need for free help. However there are many people

themselves on the street. These are the people we should do what we can to help without question.

Why can't the shelter get the money from fundraisers and grants to implement these programs? Is there really a shortage of volunteers who can work with these programs without pay? There must be some students in town, high school and college students, who need volunteer hours for organizations, scholarships and resumes. They would receive so much more experience and pride from doing something to help those in such desperate need. As students at ECU, Greenville is our community as long as we are

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### THE EAST CAROLINIAN . NEWS

# Muslims plan own cemetery in Winston-Salem, NC

WINSTON-SALEM, NC (AP) - Had there been a Muslim cemetery closer to his home in Winston-Salem, Bashir El-Beshti wouldn't the Pakistani Islamic Association have been buried in Burlington, about 50 miles to the east.

That's where the nearest Muslim cemetery is located.

of Muhammad, the founder of Islam, said Abdul Majid, the vice president and project director for of North Carolina.

Not all Muslims are buried in Muslim cemeteries. Irshad Hasan, the imam of Masjid Al-Mu'minun

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But his death March 18 and his burial at the other end of the Triad has sparked a movement by local Muslims to develop their own cemetery.

"That awakened us to the need, that we needed something here," said Sam Atassi, president of the Muslim Association of the Triad.

If city officials OK the proposed rezoning, the cemetery would have the capacity for 330 graves on just over two acres in southern Winston-Salem, about one for every Muslim family in the Triad. According to the site plan, about 1 1/3 acres would be used for the cemetery.

Islam, like other religions, has specific rituals for burying the dead. A body must be washed and then wrapped in a funeral shroud. It's not buried in a coffin or casket and it's placed on its side to face mosque in Winston-Salem, said that Muslims born in the United States often have come from a Christian background and already have plots in cemeteries picked by their families.

Hasan said that Muslims who have died in his mosque have been buried in such cemeteries, but they are buried according to Islamic rituals.

The association owns the cemetery in Burlington, which has been there for about 15 years. The group recently built its Pakistani Islamic Center next to it.

The City-County Planning Board is scheduled to consider the rezoning request July 14. It will make a recommendation to the Winston-Salem City Council, which has final authority on the rezoning.

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What to do when these storms show their ugly face at the coast

TREVOR KIRKENDALL STAFF WRITER

Who will it be this year? Gert? Irene? Jose? Katrina? Which one

winds, flooding and tornados.

A hurricane's intensity is measured on the Saffir-Simpson Scale. This scale places hurricanes in five different categories. A Category One hurricane contains winds from 74-95 mph. The storm surge will rise to about four or five feet above normal and will deliver minimum damage. A Category Two hurricane has winds ranging from 96-110 mph with a six to eight foot storm surge. Tuese storms will deliver some of tural damage, but most when trees and other planter of the Three hurricane has winds have 111-130 mph and a storm nine to 12 feet. The stores leave d plants lots of damage trees cant sucture and also sign damage. The ricane JTI. Fran of 1995 in Three rricanes storm. Ca have wind a 101-155 mph and a 13-10 bett bru surge. These storms will do significant damage to residences and to some larger buildings. A Category Five hurricane is rare. They have wind speeds of over 155 mph and a storm surge greater than 18 feet. These storms will cause buildings to collapse and major damages to residences including the flooding of basements and first floors. The strongest Category Five hurricane to date is Hurricane Gilbert in 1988. The most recent was Hurricane Mitch in 1998 that hit Central America and killed over 9,000 people, mainly due to the amount of flooding. Once these warnings are issued and it looks like the hurricane is on a head on collision course for our area, it is time to take action and have a plan of what to do. With the threat of a hurricane, there is always the possibility that the high winds and flooding may take out

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paper plates with plastic utensils), seasonal clothing, toiletries, a first-aid kit, a flashlight with extra batterles, a battery powered radio, cash, keys, important documents (kept in a waterproducontainer) and tools. One thing the storagy people think about is the need for prescription medications. is a hurricane watch or warn sure to nefill all of your medic that may be needed. You s also fill you car up with a full of gas because if the power god the gas pumps will not work neat canned foods, ne can be beated easily using a pr chalcoal grill are ready to canned partas and can When the power is out VI-MA s of time refriger long e their cool. To and free locing mon i on all of the stige and for the either keep them closed at all mes or eat wything in them the bould spoil Evente should heed the wannings that the storm is coming. A couple of hurrighes have moved through Greenville over the last few years and many students decided to stay and wade out the storm. These storms were nothing more than Category Three hurricanes and did little to effect the dally routines of people in Greenville. The NOAA predicts a very active hurricane season this year. If there's a Category Five that's due to hit this area, make up your mind now as to what you want to do. If you leave, leave early enough. If you stay, heed the warnings and be ready for what's coming. Hurricanes are nothing more than glant thunderstorms. Thunderstorms may be neat to fall asleep to, but a hurricane is a lot more than that.

## **Top 10** Hurricane Kit Items:

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## Recent siege of humicanes Comparing recent tropical weather to the long-term trend:

118-year average (1886-2003) Recent average (1995-2003) Tropical storms and hurricanes per year

of these storms will be the one to achieve hurricane status and slam into our coast without any mercy at all?

It's that time of year again. Hurricane season is now upon us. If there's any area in the state that knows how destructive these storms can be, it is eastern North Carolina.

Some of us were at ECU when hurricane Floyd ripped through in 1999 leaving most of Greenville under water. People lost their homes, their possessions and some even lost their lives during that storm. Even when warnings are given to the city well in advance, there is still very little that can be done to protect property and people from these storms.

So what exactly are these storms? And how can we better prepare ourselves when these unwelcome guests come knocking this fall? According to the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, a hurricane is one type of tropical cyclone, which is a generic term for a non-frontal synoptic scale low-pressure system over tropical or sub-tropical waters with thunderstorm activity and definite cyclonic surface wind circulation. They start out as tropical depressions, which have sustained winds of less than 39 mph. Anything

\*All items should be stored In a waterproof container\*

Outlook for eastern North Pacific this your.



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# Spielberg and Cruise lose 'War of the Worlds'

Not long after Mary Ann leaves, a lighting storm passes over the area, mysteriously striking the same places more than once. But this is no ordinary lightning. This electric shock is turning on alien machines that have been buried under our very feet for millions of years. Soon, these tripod machines break free from the ground and start blowing up everything in their paths. But for what reason? There's no explanation as to why these aliens are destroying our planet. "They watched with envious eyes," says Morgan Freeman in the narration at the beginning. How did these aliens know when they buried these tripods millions of years ago that there were going to be humans walking this planet someday and would prosper to a point where there would be a need to destroy us? This all lasts roughly 30 minutes, and it looks pretty promising from there. However, the film comes to a dead stop as soon as the killer tripods appear. For the remaining hour and a half of the film, we sit and watch Cruise run around with his kids, trying to escape the tripods. They run and run and run some more, and the film drags on until the point where I thought I was going to get a rash.

Cruise has selected better roles in the past. He walks around with this dumbfounded look on his face that is unrealistic and almost humorous at times, almost like Simon Pegg in the British horrorcomedy Shaun of the Dead. Dakota Fanning is usually very solid, upstaging the award winning actors she works along side. She's a little over the top for this role. She spends the majority of the time screaming at the top of her lungs. This role does the talented young lady no justice. After about the first 30 seconds of this, it gets a little old. The best role played in this film is that of Tim Robbins, who plays Ogilvy, a crazed man hiding out in his basement who thinks they can lead a revolution against the tripods. His part is short, and once he is gone we miss him. The special effects are nothing short of impressive, as expected. And what more can we expect from just another summer blockbuster? Spielberg does succeed on one level, and that is keeping the special effects a secondary entity. Unlike some films where the special effects and computer generated images are the focal points from beginning to end; Spielberg puts his actors in front with the effects of destruction in the background.

Screenwriter David Koepp is one of Hollywood's worst screenwriters. Why Spielberg keeps turning to him to write for his films and other films that come out of his DreamWorks studios is beyond me. Koepp's usage of humor is timed wrong in every single film he scripts. Although the humor is kept to a minimum in War of the Worlds, it is still out of place whenever it does show up. Koepp has botched this classic H.G. Wells story in more ways than just adding out of place humor. In the novel, the space ships came out of the sky. Koepp tried a new approach by having the machines buried in the earth for millions of years. He must have forgotten that we are industrialized people who dig in the ground to build oil rigs, subways systems, sewer systems, electrical systems, telephone wires and much more. How is it possible that all of these tripods went unseen for millions of years all across the world? Someone must have discovered one somewhere at sometime. Spielberg and Koepp should have stuck with the original way; it would have been just as intense, if not more so.

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Tom Cruise plays Ray Ferrier who is the main character of the movie.

### New film fails on nearly all levels TREVOR KIRKENDALL STAFF WRITER

After cranking out nothing but good films over the last five years, director Steven Spielberg has finally put out a dud. And not just any dud, *War of the Worlds* is Spielberg's worst film since his World War II comedy 1941, which was released in 1979. Spielberg's \$128 million version is a disorganized mess that boarders on being completely incoherent. *War of the Worlds* is a big budget

adaptation of the classic H.G. Wells novel of the same name. This is not a remake of the Byron Haskin film from 1953, but rather a modernized adaptation from the classic book. Hollywood superstar Tom Cruise is Ray Ferrier, a blue collar worker from New Jersey. Ray is a divorced father of two. His wife Mary Ann (Miranda Otto of Lord of the Rings fame) has left him with the kids, Robbie and Rachel (Justin Chatwin and Dakota Fanning), this particular weekend. As she leaves, Cruise tells her that she has "nothing to worry about" -- famous last words in this type of generic summer blockbuster film.

War of the Worlds could also be evidence that this legendary film-

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maker might be losing his touch. This film seems to be a direct carbon copy of another Spielberg film. Does anyone remember a movie called Jurassic Park? Tell me if this sounds familiar. War of the Worlds shows a man and two kids running away from mysterious monster-like beings with the power to kill and destroy almost anything it comes across. The only difference is that Jurassic Park actually worked, except for the ending where everyone just leaves and dinosaurs are left to rule this one little island.

Well, the ending of War of the Worlds is also a let down. It is one of the most laughable endings in the history of cinema. The book explains it quite well, but Spielberg does not. I guess \$128 million doesn't buy you an explanation of the resolution these days. It's very anti-climactic and leaves us very angry as we leave the theater. There's even a direct copy of the terrifying kitchen scene in Jurassic Park shown in this film. It is identical from the looks of the actor's faces to the camera angles. However, it

looked much better 12 years ago. We've seen it before, Mr. Spielberg. Show us something new.

I have no doubt that Spielberg will once again crank out another masterpiece of a film in the same realms of Schindler's List and Saving Private Ryan, but War of the Worlds was not even close to that caliber a film. It is far from it, and ranks among the worst both Spielberg and Cruise have ever been apart of.



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# MacKenzie earns C-USA Scholar-Athlete Award





sports@theeastcarolinian.com TONY ZOPPO SPORTS EDITOR





Cavanaugh and freshman pitcher T.J. Hose each added new hardware to their trophy cases as they were named to the 2005 American **Baseball Coaches Association** (ABCA) / Rawlings Sporting Goods All-East Regional Team Monday. As a first-team All-Conference USA selection, Cavanaugh finished the season with a C-USA leading .382 average, belted seven homeruns with 36 RBI and 14 stolen bases. He led the Pirates in hits (79), total bases (120), triples (4), slugging percentage (.580), was second in runs scored. He was named an All-American Strength and Conditioning Athlete by the National Strength and Conditioning Association and recently garnered first-ream North Carolina **Collegiate Sports Information** Association University Division All-State honors. The Monroe, Conn. native was the only remaining college player to have played under former Pirate head coach Keith LeClair and this season was awarded the honorary No. 23 jersey. The number is awarded annually to a deserving player who best displays the hustle, determination and desire

and player.

The San Diego Padres selected Cavanaugh in the 21st round on day two of the 2005 MLB Amateur Draft.

Hose, a second-team All C-USA and All C-USA Freshman Team selection, led the Pirates in wins (7), appearances (21), saves (2), innings pitched (85.1) and helped to combine four shutouts. On the season, he allowed held opposing batters to a .237 batting average, which ranked fifth in Conference USA.

On a staff that was plagued on base percentage (.444) and by injuries, the Hagerstown, Md. native moved into the weekend starters role, where he won six of the 10 games he started. Hose's best outing came against Memphis April 22, 2005 after he struck out nine Tiger batters, allowing two hits and a pair of walks in six innings of

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MacKenzie was named to the Dean's list eight straight semesters.

SID - ECU's Kyle MacKenzie MacKenzie earned C-USA Male has been named the 2004-05 Cross Country Athlete of the Year Conference USA Men's Cross Counhonors in 2003, C-USA Freshman try Male Scholar-Athlete of the Year. of the Year in 2001, set school C-USA Scholar-Athlete of the records in the 3,000 and 8,000 Year Awards are presented to the top meters, was named the 2004 PCS student-athletes in each conference-Phosphate Male Scholar Athlete of the Year, and was inducted into the Golden Key Honor Society of Phi Eta Sigma. In addition, he As a senior, MacKenzie earned performed hours of community all-conference honors for a third service at the Boys and Girls' Club straight year and was named to the and other civic organizations. Dean's List for the eighth consecutive MacKenzie was recognized semester. He received his bachelor's as one of the top cross-country degree this past May with a degree in athletes in C-USA history earlier marketing, posting a 3.67 GPA. this year as he was named to the During his collegiate career, Conference USA All-Decade Team.

shutout work. Against USF he tossed his first career complete game in a 6-2 win over the Bulls May 6th.

Over the past two years, five Pirates have been named to the ABCA/Rawlings All-East Team with Greg Bunn, Ryan Jones and Trevor Lawhorn taking home honors in 2004.

# Rounding the Bases: Halfway point

Suspensions, All Star controversy highlight g past week in baseball

TONY ZOPPO SPORTS EDITOR

The Big Stories It's near the halfway point in the season and it is a very different MLB than we're used to seeing by this time. Well, on the field it's different. Off the field everything is up to par. Trade rumors are swirling, players are being moved around left and right, suspensions loom over several players' heads and there is much debate about this year's All Star rosters.

on the field. Rogers was suspended by MLB just one day after Frank Francisco was sentenced to a work program and anger management classes after pleading guilty to misdemeanor assault. As you may remember, the Texas reliever was suspended 15 games last year after his chair-throwing incident. Rogers was suspended 20 games for shoving a cameraman and destroying the camera. The suspension marks the longest punishment handed down by the administration in decades. Only a 30-day stint imposed on Pete Rose in 1988 was longer.

whether or not a player will make it to the All Star game, it should be determined by how they have done up until this point. Rogers has been one of the best in the AL so far this year. This incident also occurred so recently, that judging a man from one mistake he made no more than a week or two before the All Star selections would be harsh and unjust. Leaving Rogers for now, as I said before, All Star selections should be made on the performance players have put up to this point. So is it not one of the greatest injustices and biggest jokes of all time that Scott Rolen and Carlos Beltran are starting for the NL squad next week? Rolen was on the DL for most of the first half with a shoulder in jury and is now hitting a mighty .266 with five homeruns and 24 RBI. That was Morgan Ensberg's

sponsored sport. The award is based upon academic achievement (GPA), athletic achievement and service.

Dirty laundry first.

Maybe it's the Texas heat but Kenny Rogers now makes two Rangers' pitchers in the last two years who have had violent outbursts

There has been much debate over whether Rogers should have made the All Star game due to his recent behavior. Here are two simple reasons why Rogers should definitely be in the All Star Game - Nine wins, 2.45 ERA.

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first three weeks of this season. The young Houston third baseman is boasting a clip of .290 with 22 homeruns and 60 RBI. The 22 homers is two more than Yankees megastar Alex Rodriguez. And this kid didn't even make it as a backup.

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What about Beltran? He has been nagged by small injuries much of this year and has been the leading underachiever on a team full of them, batting .266 with nine homeruns and 41 RBI. Teammate Mike Cameron would have deserved a starting spot more than Beltran and he was hurt for all of April and some of May. Memo to baseball fans - Get a clue. Memo to Bud Selig - you're in the same boat as the fans. If home field advantage for the World Series is going to be determined by the outcome of the All Star game, which is bogus in and of itself, then please have the temerity to make sure the absolutely best squads are chosen from each league. This is going to look more like a slow-pitch softball game between the 1932 New York Yankees and the Bad News Bears than it will an All Star game. Surprises at the halfway point I feel as if all existence should

stop and end immediately by saying this, but it hasn't yet so we must be in good shape - The Washington Nationals are leading in the NL East. A first-year team with maybe three recognizable names on the entire roster is leading by 4.5 games over the "we-win-the-East-every-year-but-can't-win-aring-if-our-life-depended-on-it"

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Atlanta Braves.

This is no fluke either. This Nationals team may very well be for real. Nick Johnson is finally having his first seemingly healthy year, hitting .320 with 8 homeruns and 42 RBI. Jose Guillen has been an absolute monster for the Nats as he leads the team in homers (17) RBI (47) and runs (47). Livan Hernande has been stellar on the mound, winning 12 games thus far, and closer Chad Cordero leads the league in saves with 29. The team's six-game winning, streak ended Monday as the Mets handed the Nats a 5-2 loss. Another Guillen has been a big part of a big surprise in the league this year as Manager Ozzie Guillen

has led the Chicago White Sox to

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AL Central, leading by an 8.5 games over Minnesota. Pitching has been the highlight for the team as Mark Beuhrle and John Garland have provided the best one-two punch in the league, combining for 23 wins and just five losses. Then factor in Freddy Garcia's resurgence (8-3, 3.29 ERA) and you have one of the best staff's in MLB.

Can anyone say Triple Crown? Derrek Lee is having a God-like season, hitting a ridiculous .378

runs. If you had enough foresight to notice this kid's potential and patience to deal with Cleveland's slow start to the season, you've reaped many benefits so far this season. He should be a mainstay in our everyday lineup.

2) Morgan Ensberg – Perhaps the biggest All Star snub in the history of the game, Houston's All Star caliber third baseman boasted a clip of .387, scoring seven runs,

knocking in 13 and blasting four

#### or for a better outfielder.

Brian Roberts - The former Tar Heel and young Oriole's second baseman has been stellar this season and continued his excellence at the plate last week. Roberts hit three homeruns with six runs and six RBI with a clip of .304. Robert's batting average was down this past week but he is almost automatic to be on base at least once every game. He found his power stroke recently and when he hits for both power and

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with 25 homeruns (good for second in the league behind Andruw Jones) and 67 RBI. He leads MLB in average and is a close second in homeruns and RBI to Jones and Carlos Lee respectively. Lee has finally learned how to shorten his swing and get to the high, inside pitches that hurlers have been jamming down his throat for most of his career. Now however, there isn't a pitch in the book that Lee can't hit. Lee has a legitimate shot to take down the first Triple Crown since 1967 when Red Sock Carl Yastrzemski earned the title in the AL

#### **Top Five Fantasy Players**

Travis Hafner – The young Cleveland Indians slugger was out of this world last week, hitting .469 with 5 homeruns, 15 RBI and 11 runs. Hafner had a monster day on the fourth of July, going 6-10 with three bombs, six RBI and four

out of the yard. Ensberg has been a pleasant surprise for both the Astros and fantasy owners this season, as he and Lance Berkman have singlehandedly resurrected Houston's offense. There's no reason to believe Ensberg will slow down in the second half so keep him on the hot corner in your lineup.

David Dellucci - Believe 3) it or not, the Texas Rangers have offensive threats in spots other than their infield. The Texas leftfielder hit three homeruns, scoring nine times and driving in four while batting .421 for the week. Dellucci is at best a decent outfielder, both in the field and at the plate. It is unlikely he'll keep a pace like this for the rest of the season, or anything close to it. However, if he continues his hot streak, you may want to try and sell high on him for an upgrade at another position

average, he's more valuable than just about any position player in the league because of his ability to steal bases also.

Vladimir Guerrero -5) Vlad has been unbelievable after coming off of the DL in early June. Last week he hit an even .400 with three homers, eight RBI and five runs.

When Vlad went on the DL because of a partially dislocated shoulder in mid-May, he was hitting .303 with seven homeruns, 24 RBI and 24 runs. Since coming back on June 10th, he's raised his average to .348, his homerun total to 15 and has doubled his RBI total. Keeping this guy in your lineup and on your team permanently is a no-brainer.

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