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## Facebook and MySpace Web sites can bring unwanted friend requests into your home

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**Potential stalkers are using these sites**  
KIMBERLY BELLAMY STAFF WRITER

Stalking is an issue that may become a big problem with the increase of students registering for Web sites, such as MySpace and Facebook, everyday.

According to Peter Romary, director of student legal services, North Carolina law defines stalking by three main factors.

The first factor is intentionally following, being in the presence of or harassing another individual by phone calls, fax, e-mail or gifts on more than one occasion.

The second important factor is making that person fear for their life or for a family member's or close associate's life by making them fear death, bodily injury or more harassment.

Causing another individual severe emotional distress is the third factor that defines stalking by N.C. law.

About 15 percent of female college students have been victims of stalking and about 42.5 percent of the reported cases were committed by boyfriends or ex-boyfriends, according to Romary.

The remainder of the per- Web sites auc or see STALKING page A3

**MySpace**  
Classmates attempt about 24.5 percent of stalking instances and 10.3 percent are by acquaintances.

The relationships formed on these types of Web sites could end up deadly if you don't limit the amount of information you give others.

According to Romary, Taylor Behl, a student at Virginia Commonwealth University, was murdered her freshman year by someone she met on MySpace.

When Robbie Johnson, ECU elementary education major, was asked whether or not he felt stalking was a big problem at ECU, he responded yes.

Johnson said that his reason for saying yes was because of the use of Web sites like Facebook and MySpace.

Johnson also said that he feels that the risk of stalking is greater for females than males and that one of his female friends was stalked by someone that she met on MySpace.

Even after admitting that he knew someone who was stalked by the information that was listed on one of these Web sites, Johnson said that he has a user account for both sites.

"This is the main way, and sometimes the only way, that I know of how you can be stalked."

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## ECU professor reaches out to high school students



Stiller gives a tour to D.H. Conley students and parents recently at ECU.

John Stiller works with high school students in Greenville

ADELINE TRENTO STAFF WRITER

After meeting while walking their dogs, John Stiller, a biology professor at ECU, and Kathy Powell, a high school science teacher, decided to work together to bring college biology to high school students in Greenville.

The program, which began in 2004, came out of a grant that Stiller received from the National Science Foundation.

Stiller received a career investigator award, from which he was given five years of support to develop an integrated teaching and research program. From this grant, Stiller developed an undergraduate course that allowed his students to have a more hands-on, research based approach to learning molecular biology.

Unlike most college science classes, this course did not just teach students how to use techniques and tools. Instead it taught them to plan a project, develop a real research question and come up with an answer at the end.

"The biggest problem biology is facing today is that techniques are getting to be so driven by technology," said Stiller. "So many people come into class really excited about the technology, but not thinking about how to apply it to the world around

them. We tend to reinforce that in our teaching with canned labs and workbooks that produce predetermined results. What is not being conveyed is that science is a process of discovery."

After seeing how successful the hands on approach was with undergraduates, Stiller decided to use this technique at the high school level.

He teamed up with Karen Powell to use this method on her advanced placement students at D.H. O'Conley High School in Greenville.

The program began during the spring semester, after the students had been introduced to DNA and molecular biology. This way they had a basic understanding of the way molecular biology works, the key terms and the structure of DNA.

Using equipment brought in from the labs at ECU, the students did genetic typing on bacteria growing in their every day environment. The students grew bacteria, determined the DNA of the bacteria and then entered the DNA of their bacteria into the computer to be compared with the national database.

"Basically the students went from square one of isolating an organism, to the method of getting a gene, analyzing the gene, getting a sequence, analyzing the sequence and determining what they could infer from their findings," Stiller said.

By starting at square one, the students are involved in all areas of the experiment and are therefore

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The iPod is now a mainstay on almost every college campus due to the ease with which information is transferred.

## Podcasts integrate into college life and blogs in a major way

(MCT)— Since their introduction in 2001, iPods have become so ubiquitous that it's rare to go a day without spotting someone sporting the trademark white earphones in the gym, on a city bus or walking down the sidewalk.

Podcasts made for the digital media players have become increasingly popular and diverse also, even becoming commonplace on college campuses across the country as a way for professors to broadcast lessons outside of a classroom. But now students, who are usually on the audience end of a podcast, are turning the tables and using the medium as a way to have their voices heard.

Dennis R. Miller, director of public relations at Pennsylvania's Mansfield University, decided last year that the best way to give prospective students and incoming freshmen an uncensored look at college life was to create a podcast for them using the voices of real students in a show he called "Freshmen Secrets Revealed" (<http://podcast.mansfield.edu/>).

"I just got the sense that this

new medium was just taking off like crazy after the iPod was the number one Christmas gift last year," Miller said. "The beauty of it is that it captures students in their own words, and you can listen to it without being limited by time or any other type of constraint."

Eden Hartwell, a sophomore at Mansfield, was one of the students who spoke about her early college experiences on Miller's podcast. She grew to enjoy the production aspects of creating the show and moved on to helping edit and mix the podcast.

"The production became sort of a hobby, and I've gotten good feedback about the project," Hartwell said. "I think it's a success and a good way to be heard. I'd like to continue doing it."

"A lot of existing studio applications were modeled after programs made for professional musicians," said Michael Levy, co-founder of Equicast Media, the company that developed WildVoice. "This is designed to be easier to use than those, for a more casual user who wants to have some fun."

Many amateur podcasts take

the form of audio blogs, where students can air their thoughts on current events, art, culture or personal experiences. WildVoice also allows students to use podcasting as a form of social networking, where users can choose to make their podcasts available to the general public, or to a specified group of friends and "fans." They can also create their own profiles and organize favorite podcasters and types of content into personalized "channels."

Pluggd (pluggd.com) is another recently launched site that allows users to browse podcasts, share opinions and create Web sites around their favorites, although it does not allow members to post their own podcasts.

Community sites that combine social networking and blogs with the new technology of podcasting provide amateur podcasters with a new type of hybrid hosting site, according to WildVoice user Jimmy Daulton, a sophomore at the State University of New York Stony Brook who goes by the handle "Jenbolito."

# News

{ Campus & Community }

## CORRECTIONS

The *East Carolinian* is dedicated to accuracy and will correct errors printed in the newspaper.

A caption for the article "The gas is greener..." that ran on Sep. 14 incorrectly stated that Student Transit buses had converted to gasohol. Gasohol is being used in campus operations vehicles and equipment, but Student Transit buses are not running on biodiesel.

A continuing rise in diesel prices coupled with other factors has made a conversion to biodiesel too costly. With Student Transit buses burning about 120,000 gallons of fuel per year, the increase in cost would amount to about \$30,000 per year, according to Scott Alford, transit adviser for the Student Transit Authority.

To report a correction, send an e-mail to editor@theeastcarolinian.com.

## Crime Beat

Larceny of a bicycle was reported on Sept. 9. It occurred just east of Umstead Residence Hall and is under further investigation.

Jarvis Hall submitted a report of breaking, entering and larceny on Sept. 4. It is currently under further investigation.

On Sept. 5, Mendenhall Student Center and the Student Recreation Center reported damage to the property. It is under further investigation.

On Sept. 8, a provisional DWI, DWI, speeding, three counts possession and manufacturing, and fraudulent identification were reported to have occurred on 10th and Anderson Streets. This case has recently been closed and cleared by arrest.

Sub lot PVA was subject to possession of a weapon on educational property on Sept. 9. It has been closed and cleared by arrest.

The Ledonia Wright and Cultural Center had a report of an intoxicated and disruptive person who resisted and delayed arrest, and obstructed an officer. It has now been closed and cleared by arrest.

Compiled by Claire Murphy, Assistant News Editor.

## Get involved!

**American Red Cross Changes ALL Fall 2006 Blood Drive Dates!**  
Please go to [ecu.edu/volunteer/blood-drives.cfm](http://ecu.edu/volunteer/blood-drives.cfm) for new dates and times!

**Special Volunteer Programs**  
Help the Volunteer and Service Learning Center recruit volunteers and plan special events and national service initiatives. Serve 300 hours and receive a \$1,000 educational award. For more information, e-mail [volunteer@ecu.edu](mailto:volunteer@ecu.edu)

**Humane Society Dog Wash**  
Sat., Sept. 23. Fluff and Puff - Humane Society Fundraiser 8 a.m. to 2 p.m., Gold's Gym, Greenville. Fifteen volunteers needed to assist with registration, dog washing, trimming nails, brushing dogs and a doggy art booth. Contact: Vicky Luttrell, [luttrell@ecu.edu](mailto:luttrell@ecu.edu), 737-1351

**Volunteer at on-campus Events!**  
Fri., Sept. 29 - Volunteer Friday 3 to 5 p.m., Mendenhall Brickyard.  
Construct and/or paint birdhouses to be sold to raise money for the ECU chapter of Habitat for Humanity. Sign-up online at [ecu.edu/volunteer](http://ecu.edu/volunteer)

**Sat., Sept. 30, Family Fun Fling** from 9 a.m. to noon at the Student Recreation Center. Volunteers are needed to set up/break down and assist in running the event. Contact: David Gaskins, [gaskinsd@ecu.edu](mailto:gaskinsd@ecu.edu)

**ALS Walk 7:30 a.m. to noon, Greenville Town Commons**  
Fifteen to twenty volunteers needed to assist with set up/clean up, registration and along the walk route. To sign up for this event call or e-mail Shawn Moore, 328-2735 or [moresh@ecu.edu](mailto:moresh@ecu.edu).

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**Third Annual Health Majors Fair**  
Wright Plaza  
10:30 a.m.

**Get A Clue!**  
Mendenhall Brickyard  
1 - 4 p.m.  
(Check in is at 12 p.m.)

**Performance by All Crazy**  
2:30 p.m.  
Pirate Underground, Mendenhall

**Student Activities Fund Office Workshop**  
"How Do I Travel Using Student Fee Dollars?"  
Mendenhall, room 212  
3 p.m.

**Learn to Drive: The art of taking directions and then finding your way**  
Ask questions of an ECU English professor on how to write a great paper.  
Bate 2015  
4 p.m.

**Hispanic Film Series: Balseros (Cuban Refractors)**  
English subtitles. May include adult content. Discussions to follow each film.  
Bate 2011  
5:30 p.m.

**Freeboot Friday**  
Performing this week: The Dick Knight Express (Rhythm and Blues)  
5 - 8 p.m.  
Corner of Sixth and Evans Streets

**Contra Dance**  
Sponsored by Folk Arts Society of Greenville, ECU Folk & Country Dancers  
7:30 p.m. lesson  
8 - 10:30 p.m. dance  
Willis Building, First & Reade Streets

**Football**  
ECU VS. WEST VIRGINIA  
Pirate Club Weekend  
7 p.m.  
Dowdy-Ficklen Stadium

**Women's Volleyball**  
ECU VS. UTEP  
Williams Arena at Minges Coliseum  
1 p.m.

**Sexual Assault Awareness Week begins**  
**Take Back the Night March**  
6:30 p.m.  
College Hill

**Fast & Easy Cooking Demo for your Room or Office**  
Student Recreational Center classroom  
5:30 - 6:30 p.m.

**Self Defense Class for Women**  
Student Recreational Center Room 239  
7 - 9 p.m.

**Self Defense Class for Men**  
Mendenhall Great Room 2  
7 - 9 p.m.

## \*Featured Event:

### Health Majors Resource Fair

The Academic Enrichment Center is sponsoring the Second Annual Health Majors Resource Fair in Wright Plaza (raindate: Sept. 27). This event is geared toward freshmen and sophomores who are still choosing a major or re-considering their current major. Various academic departments and advising centers will be represented, as will health-related student organizations. <http://www.ecu.edu/cs-ecu/calendar.cfm?m=5&e=1015>

## Briefs

### Local:

#### GOP House candidates to end long primary with special election

(AP) — While most General Assembly candidates are starting to look toward the November elections, Stephen LaRoque and Willie Ray Starling are still wrapped up in a seven month primary battle that should end with a special election Tuesday.

The State Board of Elections last month ordered a new election in their 10th House District after some voting irregularities and some possible problems with at least one new voting machine during the May 2 primary election.

Starling, a retired federal government worker from Wayne County who lost to LaRoque in 2004, was also campaigning Monday, knocking on doors, even at homes where LaRoque signs are erected.

"I'm an eternal optimist," Starling said. "My message is getting across to people."

The winner won't have much time to rest. Democrat Van Braxton, a Kinston city councilman, is

waiting for a challenger in what is considered a swing district in the closely divided House.

Starling edged LaRoque 918-902 in May, but LaRoque presented nearly 20 affidavits from voters who cast ballots that didn't list a primary race or who weren't asked whether they wanted to vote in a partisan race.

"I call it gutter politics," he said. "All they care about is whatever it takes to win."

Braxton, who was out Monday putting up his own yard signs, said he's a little worried that whomever he ends up facing will get a lot of free publicity out of the special election.

Still, he said: "I think a lot of the name recognition they're getting is negative."

### National:

#### Where you live can affect how long you live

(AP) — Asian-American women living in Bergen County, N.J., lead the nation in longevity, typically reaching their 91st birthdays. Worst off are American Indian men in swaths of South

Dakota, who die around age 58, three decades sooner.

Where you live, combined with race and income, plays a huge role in the nation's health disparities, differences so stark that a report issued Monday contends it's as if there are eight separate Americas instead of one.

North Carolina ranked 40th among the states with an average life expectancy of 75.8 years. Hawaii led the nation with an average life expectancy of 80.

Health disparities are widely considered an issue of minorities and the poor being unable to find or afford good medical care. Murray's county-by-county comparison of life expectancy shows the problem is far more complex, and that geography plays a crucial role.

Consider: The longest-living whites weren't the relatively wealthy, which Murray calls "Middle America." They're edged out by low-income residents of the rural Northern Plains states, where the men tend to reach age 76 and the women 82.

#### Top Waffle Eater Breaks His Own Record

(AP) — A California man ate 23 waffles in 10 minutes to break his own world record at the 2006 Waffle House World Waffle-Eating Championships in Georgia.

Joey Chestnut's gluttonous feat broke his record of 18.5 waffles set at last year's competition, the Waffle House restaurant chain said in a release.

The 22-year-old San Jose, California, college student is ranked second in the world by the International Federation of Competitive Eating, behind Takeru "The Tsunami" Kobayashi of Nagano, Japan, the Los Angeles Times reported.

The Waffle House said Chestnut faced a strong challenge from Sonya Thomas, a 400-pound Virginia woman who holds 27 world titles. She ate 21 waffles, while Chip Simpson, a rising rookie on the eating circuit, consumed 18.

Chestnut collected \$5,000 for his win and the remaining \$2,500 in prizes was split among Thomas and Simpson, the Waffle House said.

#### Man Races Ankle Monitor for Burger

(AP) — A St. Paul, Minn., man trying to outrun the alarm countdown on his ankle monitoring device kicked in a drive-through window when he wasn't served fast enough.

Randy Farrell Bailey, serving an in-home sentence for a drunk driving conviction, craved Burger King and thought he could drive the three blocks, get his food and return home; all before the four-minute delay on his alarm went off, police said.

At the drive through he demanded a burger and fries, using foul language and acting tense, assistant manager Danielle Weaver told the St. Paul Pioneer Press.

When she asked him to control his language, Bailey pulled up to the window, got out of his car and kicked the window in, witnesses told police. He then drove home; all under four minutes.

He later told police he was innocent because his ankle bracelet confined him to 150 feet of his home. Police later learned about the four-minute delay; and charged Bailey with felony criminal destruction of property.

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more interested in the results and the reasons why they got those results. Stiller believes that with this learning style the students will realize that science is not just about learning techniques. Instead, they will see it is about learning how to apply these methods to their everyday life. "As the students get to see more results, they get to see the practical output of what they have been doing in the lab and the more excited they get," Stiller said.

"When they find something they didn't expect they start to ask questions. They ask, 'well why is this organism in my school? Where did it come from? How did it get here?' That is when the real learning and the real understanding of biology happens."

Stiller believes it is beneficial for the students to learn these things at the high school level. In order for students to want to study biology in college, they have to be stimulated and interested in high school.

"From these experiments students are left puzzling, thinking and researching questions that they had never thought to ask in the first place, and that is what makes good science. That is what excites people into becoming researchers and scientists," Stiller said.

"This program has had a great response from the students who have been involved in it. According to e-mails that Stiller and Powell have received, past students have said that this high school class helped them immensely in college. Most students from the 2004 class didn't realize how much they had actually learned from the hands-on experience until they got to college. These students found they were more knowledgeable and more able to understand their science classes than their classmates.

"Some of my students have gone on to college and majored in biological science, one in biotechnology," Powell said. "I have another student, now a senior, that is enrolled in our honors medical program. She will be conducting research at the hospital that requires her to do the techniques that she has already learned through this partnership."

Stiller plans to continue this program in the future. He hopes to expand this program to all high schools in Pitt County and eventually to all high schools in North Carolina.

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## CAMPUS INTRAMURAL UPDATE



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- 9/25 Games begin at 5:30 pm on Blount Fields 1, 2, 3, and 4
- 9/26 Games begin at 7:30 pm on Blount Fields 1, 2, 3, 4, and 7

### Volleyball

- 9/20 Games begin at 6:00 pm on SRC Courts 3 and 4
- 9/21 Games begin at 8:15 pm on SRC Court 3
- 9/24 Games begin at 7:30 pm on SRC Courts 3 and 4
- 9/25 Games begin at 8:15 pm on SRC Court 4
- 9/26 Games begin at 6:45 pm on SRC Courts 3 and 4



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said Johnson. ECU is implementing methods to remedy the problem and in addition, legal action can be taken if you encounter this problem.

The first step you should take if you fear that you're being stalked is contact the police immediately.

A warrant should be issued against the person you suspect is stalking you, which will give them a Class 1A misdemeanor if it's their first offense, according to Romary.

Subsequent offenses will lead

to a Class F felony and a Class H felony if they ignore a restraining order that is filed against them.

The administration at ECU is also taking a firm stance of attempting to prevent stalking crimes.

"There are now moves to update and improve protocols which will be a multi-pronged approach involving education, enforcement, effectively identifying resources for students and making sure that there is effective communication around campus," said Romary.

Compared to other universi-

ties, ECU has lower instances of stalking, according to Romary.

"ECU, unlike some universities, has great resources to deal with these issues but nothing can be done if people don't report it," Romary said.

If you are a victim of stalking, contact the police department. If you need advice on similar or other legal issues, you can contact Romary in Student Legal Services at 328-5183.

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## Cheating: It's in the numbers



These days, there is no limit to the number of ways one is able to cheat.

(MCT) — It's the sort of case you might expect Encyclopedia Brown to tackle.

Two kids seem to have cheated on Professor Harpp's final exam. Can he prove the culprits did it before it's too late?

But when McGill University professor David Harpp suspected some of his students were up to no good, he didn't hire a boy detective for a shiny new quarter. He did the job himself.

He devised a statistical method to determine whether two students were copying test

answers from each other. He found that, on a 98 question multiple choice test, the pair of students had 97 answers exactly the same, including 23 wrong answers.

Confronted with the evidence, the students confessed.

"We had always worried that cheating was happening, but we had to find a way to figure out who was doing it," said Chris McManus, a professor of psychology and medical education at University College London who hunts cheaters.

Caveon used several methods

to look for bad behavior. But the most common problem it found was classrooms or schools where a group of students had identical or nearly identical answer sheets, suggesting they may have copied from one another.

That method of detecting cheating has a long history and, according to researchers in the field, does a good job of identifying the right suspects. And those researchers say Texas could do a better job of preventing students from cheating in the first place.

Having lots of identical correct answers, of course, doesn't raise red flags. If the correct answer to Question 21 is "B," you'd expect many students to choose it. But students who get many questions wrong in exactly the same way, particularly if few other classmates made the same mistakes, can be a sign something is up.

The suspects had 31, 28, 25 and 17 wrong answers, respectively, in common. The average for the rest of the class: only four.

The students denied cheating at first, but three "quickly confessed guilt when confronted with the evidence," the paper's author wrote.

Dr. Harpp is a chemistry professor at McGill, one of the most prestigious universities in Canada. He didn't know much about cheating research in 1989, when one of his students told him that two peers had shared answers on a final exam.

"I felt I was being ripped off, which I was," Dr. Harpp said.

The student worried about being a rat. But he agreed to tell Dr. Harpp the suspects' names on the condition that no disciplinary action would be taken based solely on his accusation. Dr. Harpp had to find a statistical way to detect copycats.

# GARY JULES

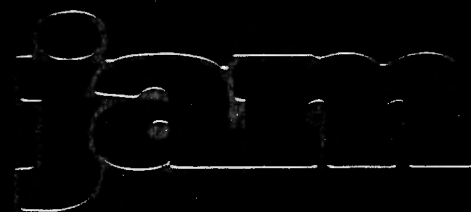


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# Opinion

{ Not just for Pirate Rants }

## A brief history of ECU student privacy

BENJAMIN CORMACK  
OPINION WRITER

There has been a big uproar as of late about privacy issues with Web sites like Facebook and MySpace in regards to how easily people can learn information about a person, including information that may not wish to be known. My only response to this issue is a heavily emphasized and drawn out, "DUH!"

I've always been hesitant to use sites like MySpace and especially Facebook because of how open they are to public view. Call me crazy, but I don't want my life to be on display for the campus and especially the whole world to view. I think people fail to understand that with the Internet the more you wish to express yourself, the less privacy you have.

Of course Facebook is not the first thing ECU students have had issues with regarding privacy and information.

About four years ago, OneCards had student ID numbers on them. The problem was that the student ID numbers are usually the same as a student's social security number. If you lost your OneCard back then, you had a lot more to worry about than losing all your Piratebucks. Thankfully though, ECU changed this and even offered free replacements for cards with numbers on them.

Most of you probably remember the fiasco over the Higher One program when it was first started. People were in an uproar when they heard about all the personal information that was given to the Higher One financial services company by the school. It should be known though that most of this anger was due in part to a feeling of lack of consent from the students.

However, I still think there are problems with how ECU utilizes personal information.

A few weeks ago I found a fellow student's schedule and receipt for payment just lying on the ground. Their name, ID number and home address were clearly on it, and a birthday, minus the exact year, is easily found with a search on Piratemail. In the end, I had more information on this individual than I probably should have. I've even tried to return the schedule I found to the owner, but I have not heard back from them.

That's why I always blackout every significant piece of personal information that shows up, and can usually be found, on every piece of mail that I get from ECU.



## PIRATE RANTS

Can someone tell me a good time to go to the gym? I mean, without having to fight the anorexics for the ellipticals.

Why does every 1-A college in North Carolina pretend to be a football school?

Why does everyone make smooch faces in pictures... its weird.

You have no idea how annoying it is to be sitting somewhere quietly and all of a sudden, you hear scuffling noises because someone's too lazy to pick up their feet. God gave you feet so use them instead of dragging them across the campus or in the basement. And if you simply can't do that, then perhaps you weren't meant to wear sandals, slippers or any type of shoe that's heavier.

Stop unscrewing the lights in the Jones elevator! Three need to be on at all times.

All I know is if you don't have a ticket for the WVU game, you better get it quick 'cuz this game will sell out. Nice work Pirates. Five interceptions deserve congratulations.

I heard that when you come to class and the teacher is not there a professor is allowed up to 15 minutes to be late before you leave and a doctor gets 30 minutes. So what do we give graduate students?

I want those nifty e-mails from the university saying what is going on on-campus that week back!

All I want is you. Isn't it obvious?

Why do professors insist on using all this new technology, like Eduspace and the response pads in the classroom when they don't even know how to use it themselves?

Hey thanks, thanks for that summer.

I think 90 percent of the student body here wears rainbows and/or smokes.

Where are all the computer nerds and such on campus? Geeks are hot.

Tip your servers well!

To the girl on the bus yesterday that said my boyfriend is too cute for me, you must be jealous because you will never get a guy like him. Remember, he is with me and not with you!

The stupid frats on campus made it so Cars did not show on Sunday. They always ruin everything. They all look like clones anyways. I still have fun laughing at them and the game my friends and me play!

Pirate Rants are allowing me to not study. I love them so much!

Why does Victoria Secret have a line named Pink when half the stuff isn't pink in color?

To the person bashing the PIRATE/ARRGGGGG cheer, why? It is FIRST DOWN - PIRATES/ARRRRRRGGG! It keeps the team excited and also involves everyone. If you don't like it, then don't come to the game because you are just bringing negative feelings and that is not helping. ARRRRRGGGG!

Whose smart idea was it to change the Gold bus route? Now there is no way for us poor souls who live on the Hill to get there from central campus when it's raining outside. Nice of you to think of everyone in your decision. Thanks a lot!

OK, so the new LAHN building is great with the Laupus Library and the high tech equipment. But, you know what? It's just too far from east campus. I miss that sense of community!

Why aren't the Pirate Rants online? They used to be! Bring them back, please. I can't always get my hands on a paper copy of the TEC.

No, I did not like the PIRATE/ARRGGGGG one bit. Please bring back PURPLE/GOLD. And folks, please wear purple or gold to the games. It's a college football game, not a fashion show.

Stop eating so much and complaining your pills made you gain weight... it's your eating habits. Stop eating everything fried six times a day and complaining to me about it. I'd feel sick too.

I hate what you're doing to me too, and even though you hate that you're doing it... you're not doing anything about it, and I don't hate you for it... but I do realize you're not who I thought you were. I don't even know that person any more.

What's wrong with blackboard?

Why are ECU football fans so stupid? I bleed purple & gold so it's hard for me to criticize but, you have to know when to make noise! Here's a hint, if our QB is under-center... shut up, when their QB is under-center... get loud. There's a reason the offense asked us to shout the hell up during a couple possessions (by waiving their arms).

The people working in the Mendenhall computer lab need to do their job. I was in there trying to work on something for school and all I could hear was them babbling about what color they should set for their background on MySpace and how they didn't like the mini feed on Facebook. The girl also told me not to answer any phone calls in the lab, yet she continued to watch video clippings, with the sound on, on the internet.

Wake me up when September ends.

Going in doors and out, going up stairs and down, use the right side please! I am sick of people being so lazy that they go in the left door because it is open, and going up the left side of stairs because they are idiots.

Bison are not endangered. They are delicious. Get it right.

If a woman holds a door open for you, or even just keeps it open behind her instead of slamming it in your face, maybe you should be appreciative and not chauvinistically refuse to go through said door. You don't see me scowling at all the ladies and gentlemen on campus who are kind enough to open doors for me.

I love teachers who lecture for an hour and run out of material and yet still keep you there for another 25 minutes just wasting time because they can.

## When preachers cross the line

They have a right to freedom of speech, but are they effective?

RYAN COBEY  
OPINION WRITER

What do you get when you cross three fire and brimstone preaching ministers with a Muslim and 20 college students? Controversy at its finest.

The sounds of attempted salvation and retribution rang across campus last Wednesday, grabbing the attention of passerby and herding them in a half-circle around a group of preachers outside of Joyner Library. However, it seemed that these men were doing a bit more than just reciting the "word of God."

I was pondering not even attending one class just so I could observe how we as students interpret this, but thankfully the same guy was preaching on the exact same topic when I got out of my class an hour later. And it wasn't only students; I saw a few of my teachers listening in as well.

Not being a huge reader of the Bible, I personally didn't have much to contribute. However, when one preacher in particular began to judge a Muslim student simply based on his belief, I began to consider the completely ignorant one-sided views some of these men have.

I heard this one specific preacher tell a Muslim student that his belief "is false." The man did not even stop for one second to consider the diverse group of people standing around him. He had his belief, he had his "faith" as he liked to call it, and because of this so-called faith, he judged people as being completely wrong simply because they did not believe the exact same thing he did. To top it all off, he called one particular student an "animal." This student had to

be taken away by authorities for physically pushing the preacher. And despite it being a completely idiotic idea to attempt a fight with a preacher, I don't know if I blame him very much for doing it.

After sitting through an hour and a half of this, I had to talk to someone about it. I immediately rushed home to discuss it with one of my roommates, who is very devout in his Christian faith, just to see what he would say. His response was a short, simple and pleasantly surprising "those people are what give Christians a bad name."

From what you've already read, I'm sure you'd find it surprising that I am a Christian myself, who regularly attends church on Sundays. However, that is the truth, at least that's how I see myself. I believe in god, I believe in the messiah, but just because I don't believe every single piece of information in the Holy Bible, I am on a one-way trip to Hell according to the preachers who judged me last week.

So where is the fine line that divides obsession and belief? Where is the cutoff point where faith begins to make you disregard every single other option or belief in the world? How are there even people left in this diverse world of ours that still have such a one-track mind? And more importantly, what do they think they're going to possibly accomplish by preaching to college students? We are people who are here for the sole purpose of learning more about the world around us, and becoming more open to new ideas and concepts.

If anything, these preachers at least give us a topic to argue on. But if I learned anything from an hour and a half of pointless sermons, it was that there is absolutely no possible way to argue with a person who is too closed-minded to see any other side but his own.

## JUST ASK JANE

Need advice? Want answers? Just ask Jane.

Dear Jane,

You know how most students can't get jobs at ECU? Well, I just got one, but I'm embarrassed to tell all of my friends about it. I'm a new employee of McDonalds, a job I never wanted, but I have to pay my bills somehow. I'm in a sorority here and I'm afraid of what my sisters will think of my low-class, unglamorous job. Should I tell them or just try to keep it hidden?

Signed,

Newly employed and newly embarrassed

Dear newly employed,

While I'm not sure how the people around you will react, I do know one thing, people always have been and always will be judgmental. However, your real friends won't care where you work. They'll realize that you have responsibilities and that you're going to take care of them in any way that you can. You shouldn't feel the need to hide where you are working either. When you start trying to lie to the people that you care about, things get tricky and it always ends up coming back and haunting you in the end. So while you don't have to stand on a chair and announce your new job, be honest with your friends and enjoy the new cash flow.

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# Pulse

{ Pirate Buzz }

## Horoscopes:

**ARIES**  
Do an excellent job and not because you should. Do it because you love it when you're better than everyone else. This is not a bad thing, by the way.

**TAURUS**  
Relax and enjoy the next part of your plan. You're busy, but it's a good feeling. You know you're finally accomplishing a goal you've had for a long time.

**GEMINI**  
Get everyone mobilized and inspired, and you'll make a huge difference. It might be hard, but it's not impossible now. It could even be fun.

**CANCER**  
You're very smart and quite agile too. Move quickly, but don't be hasty. Take charge, but don't try to do it all at once. Prioritize.

**LEO**  
You're making good money, but resist the urge to blow it all on sporting equipment. Your best investment now has something to do with real estate.

**VIRGO**  
It's slightly terrifying, at first, to realize you're the one who should tell the others what to do. Without you, they don't have a clue.

**LIBRA**  
There are quite a few unfinished tasks littering up your space. If you can get even one of them done, you'll feel so good about yourself. And you'll have more space.

**SCORPIO**  
It's difficult to fit so many requests for your time into your schedule. You may have to put some of these folks off until later, but not your family.

**SAGITTARIUS**  
You can be honest and still be successful. The one who doesn't cancel the other. The thing is, you're not the only one who knows you can be trusted.

**CAPRICORN**  
Make wonderful plans, but don't be upset if you can't begin quite yet. Listen to all the considerations first, and save yourself a lot of trouble.

**AQUARIUS**  
You're a person who values good construction. This applies to every area of your life. Put in the extra time now, to make sure you put things together right.

**PISCES**  
It's a delicate operation, so don't let yourself get nervous. Provide assistance to somebody who's better at this sort of thing than you are.

## Drink Recipes:

**Sangria**  
1 orange, sliced thin  
1 lemon, sliced thin  
2 tablespoons superfine granulated sugar, or to taste  
1 bottle chilled dry red wine  
1/2 cup cognac  
1/4 cup orange liqueur, such as Grand Marnier or Cointreau  
2 tablespoons orange juice  
1 cup chilled seltzer or club soda  
Ice cubes  
In a bowl, muddle the orange and lemon slices with the sugar with a wooden spoon. Add the red wine, cognac, orange liqueur, and orange juice. Stir until sugar is dissolved. Transfer to a punch bowl, chill until ready to serve and then stir in seltzer and add ice cubes.

## Mendenhall Movies

**Thank You For Smoking**  
Wednesday 9/20 at 7 p.m.  
Thursday 9/21 at 9:30 p.m.  
Friday 9/22 at 7 p.m.  
Saturday 9/23 at 9:30 p.m.  
Sunday 9/24 at 7 p.m.

**X-Men: The Last Stand**  
Wednesday 9/20 at 9:30 p.m.  
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Friday 9/22 at 9:30 p.m.  
Saturday 9/23 at 7 p.m.  
Sunday 9/24 at 9:30 p.m.

# Tailgating like a true Pirate



Pirate Fans getting into the spirit before Saturday's victory over Memphis.

The perfect way to get your "game face on"

LIZ FULTON  
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Cheers to the pirates and their victory over Memphis. It looked bleak at the end of the first half, but the boys regrouped and sent the Tigers home with their tail between their legs.

With all of the excitement and joy of the Pirates' victory, does your home game experience feel a little empty? It could be that a crucial part of the day scored only sub par on the fun scale causing the rest of the day to plateau.

I am, of course, talking about tailgating, something that should be revered as an institution here at ECU. Tailgating brings together students, alumni and fans that normally would not congregate together except for their great love of their team.

The art to tailgating involves more than just a lounge chair and a beer. There are several dynamics needed to assemble a tailgate that you and your friends will be talking about well into your nursing home years.

As a 14 year veteran to attending and tailgating at ECU

home games, I have learned that there are three core elements to a top-notch tailgate. The first is location, location, location. Depending on your rowdiness level, different areas around Dowdy-Ficklen attract different kinds of people. The Frisbee golf field next to the baseball stadium and the field at Eppes Middle School are by far the places where the most action is.

These are the places where most students stake their claim and come bearing beer pong tables, huge coolers for pigs and all the classic rock you can stomach. Now many of you might skip the second ingredient of tailgating to make room for the third. No judgment here, but believe me when I tell you that there is nothing like a full belly before a football game.

The best vittles to tailgate with vary from tailgater to tailgater, but you can never go wrong with Bojangles, Parkers or KFC. Some of the more established tailgaters will bring their grill, and it is always possible to challenge them to a beer pong game thus defeating them for their hamburgers.

Food and a good spot are important, but nothing beats drinking during the day without judgment. Beer is always in fashion but it's necessary to gauge the game time with the

proper alcoholic beverage. If the game is at noon, then mimosas and Bloody Marys should be on the menu. For a later game, Maker's Mark and ginger ale tastes delicious with the biting air of an October afternoon.

As for the classic tailgater, there are several types. There is the guy (or girl) that gets to the field four hours before the game and never leaves his truck bed. They listen to the game on the radio never making it into the stadium. Another breed is the tailgate floater who hits as many different spots as they can, stealing respectable tailgaters' beer and chicken legs.

There is also the family who has had the same tailgate spot for 15 years and will probably have it for 30 more. They tailgate with the finest food and beverages and stay for the entire game. They also enjoy post tailgating while waiting for the traffic to clear.

With the upcoming months bringing Saturdays full of football, make sure to enjoy the sacred art of tailgating.

Stay tuned to the Sports section for more information about Pirate Football and other opportunities to cheer your Fighting Pirates to victory.

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# Do not write on 'The Wall'

Couples go crazy about comments

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Facebook.com and Myspace.com are two Web sites that most college students recognize and use on a daily basis. You are able to post comments and leave messages on other profiles and learn a great deal about someone else based on their interests, favorites, photos, clubs and other personal information. You are also able to display your "status," which lets people see if you are in a relationship or not, and this is where things go from fun and entertaining to crazy and dramatic.

I have actually heard couples fight over the fact that the other person displayed an incorrect status or did not display one at all. If you have found yourself in this situation you should really ask yourself, "Is this argument even worth my time?" That has got to be absolutely ridiculous.

Another big issue that couples find themselves dealing with is the photos posted on these Web sites. If they are "tagged," others can click and see who is in the picture.

"I saw a girl who I thought I was dating in a picture on Facebook with many other guys looking like she was having a little too much fun. I would have never thought she was that way until I saw the rest of the pictures that were tagged to her name. I confronted her about it and she acted like it was no big deal and said I was overreacting. I did not talk to her anymore because I could not get those images out of my head," confessed Daniel Everhart, a sophomore criminal justice major.

These Web sites have really grown and are talked about every day among friends, classmates and peers. The very first day Facebook changed its layout, people were already talking about how much



Checking on your significant other and their Internet activity can be problematic.

they disliked it. In my 10 a.m. class, people were already asking me if I had seen what Facebook looked like now. So whatever is posted, your circle of friends are bound to see it, which also happens to include your boyfriend or girlfriend.

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# Downtown reference guide

A quick guide for Cotanche Street and beyond

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I want to begin this article with a disclaimer: I know there are people at ECU who are scholastically focused and see drinking as a morose and distasteful pastime. Can we please agree to disagree and refrain from judging each other?

When school has got you feeling blue and the prospect of doing one more peer review has you falling into hysterics, blow off some steam and join others who feel the same.

Downtown is calling and there is a place for enjoyment every night of the week. For returning students, you may notice a few changes. Over the summer Café Caribe shut its doors and Sunday night salsa lessons were lost forever. Fear not, because surely a new hotspot will arrive soon.

Also occurring over the summer was the transformation of The Cavern into The Phoenix. It is still the place to catch The

Chairmen of the Board (actually Friday, Sept. 22) and to gyrate to rap and hip-hop.

Happening less recently, but still unbeknownst to some, is the re-opening of Scores under new ownership. They showcase more live bands and cater to an older crowd.

For anyone that has been living under a rock (or a mountain of textbooks), the beloved Cabanas has become Rumors. This too is under new ownership and they offer a wide array of drink specials and good music to dance to.

Keep your eyes peeled for the line-up of bands at Red Rooster. Even if you aren't familiar with their sound, go anyway and support local, live music.

For techno music and beyond, Still Late and occasionally Aqua are the spots to be. 519 is still not for the young of heart, but rather the seasoned drinker with stories to tell.

The Other Place should also be a spot on your travels if for no other reason but the incomparable DJ Charlie Mac. Not only can he sing a mean beach music tune, but he'll normally play anything you want. For the financially challenged,

the best night to go out is Tuesday. Start your night at Boli's with their famous mug night. For either \$1 or \$2, your mug will be filled with the finest ales. There is also always live music to sing along with.

Pantana Boli's has \$5 all you can drink of their draft beer, also on Tuesdays. This normally attracts a large crowd so make sure to get their early for a bar stool. Hidden in an alley across from Buffalo Wild Wings is Levels. They offer \$2 vodka drinks and \$2 pitchers of Bud Light. This bar is sometimes quieter than Boli's or P.B.'s and is a great place to begin the night.

Each night in downtown Greenville is a different opportunity to have fun for under \$10, but it is up to you to find the treasure. Also, guys, remember that most bars require a collared shirt so make sure to look sharp in order to get in.

Enjoy downtown, fellow students, and always remember to never drink and drive and wait until you're 21.

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Walking down the boardwalk in downtown Wilmington can be a great escape.

# Project Road Trip: Wilmington

A guide to a quick and fun weekend escape

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Now that the semester is well under way and classes are full throttle, we find ourselves once again swallowed in the stress of endless reading, deadlines, tests, etc. As a result, merely one month into the semester, we also find ourselves in need of a vacation.

Fall is just around the corner and Wilmington may seem like a strange choice for such a getaway, but the city has much more to offer than the beach. The beach draws in an interesting mix of people from all backgrounds, which makes the city rich in character and variety that can't always be found elsewhere. As for things to do around town, there's everything from bargain hunting in the downtown shops to spooky late night ghost tours. There's certainly something for everyone in Wilmington, which happens to be a convenient two hours from ECU, thus making for an easy weekend escape.

As it is cooling down and fall is fast approaching, Wilmingtonians must find other things to fill their days with, other than lounging on the beach. My personal favorite pastime is shopping, and in Wilmington, there is lots of it to be done. There's the Westfield Mall, which is significantly bigger than our own Colonial. Wilmington's mall is home to more than 150 stores including Forever 21, Charlotte Russe, Journeys and Abercrombie & Fitch, just to name a few.

If the mall is not your thing and you're more into boutiques and bargain hunting, then head to downtown Wilmington where the streets are lined with many stores that have something for everyone. There's the Old City Market with several artisan shops where you can find hand-crafted treasures for your room or, if you're like me, you can at least stock up on unusual candies such as chocolate covered sunflower seeds and whistle lollipops (everybody needs to experience the whistle lollipop). There are also several boutiques along the river. Island Passage and Blackbeard's Bride are my favorites and they have a great selection of clothing for girls and guys alike. I recommend scooping out the sale racks at these stores as they do carry designer labels. There's also Return Passage located just down the street where you can find marked-down designer clothes. Think Rugged Wearhouse, but for designer goods. There are, of course, other things to do around the city apart from shopping. During the day you can take a variety of tours, walking downtown tours, dining and sightseeing water tours and murder mystery boat tours. We took a walking ghost tour and saw the city from an entirely different perspective. A guide takes you from location to the historical tales of battles and brawls that went on there. After that, that shopping and sightseeing, you will have worked up an appetite and, luckily for you, Wilmington has an abundance of great restaurants. Flaming Amy's Burrito Barn is located on Oleander Drive and it not only has a fun dining atmosphere, but they make one of the tastiest burritos around. There's the Tree Hopper hur-

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# Alcohol Alternatives

There's much more to downtown than bars

MEREDITH STEWART  
SENIOR WRITER

When someone asks you to go downtown the first thing that comes to mind is drinking. Downtown Greenville has been a party symbol for as long as many can remember, but for all who are not of legal drinking age, keep in mind that downtown offers much more than just alcohol.

Within the past couple of years, downtown Greenville has really grown. They have more little shops, such as Links, Catalog, Connection, The Charmed Peacock and Moxie. If you are more interested in relaxing with a good book and some friends, you could walk down to The Tippy Teapot, where they offer a variety of good reads, delicious coffee and a comforting environment. With an art gallery across the street, it is easy to get your dose of art, beauty and creativity.

Looking for incense, tapestries, cute hand tees, candles, handmade jewelry and other random, but unique things? Be sure to stop by Ripple City and Expressions. They both offer a wide variety of things, many of which you have seen before and others that are just one of a kind, random and beautiful.

Getting hungry after all the shopping, reading and browsing? Within walking distance you are sure to find something to fill your belly. Craving Mexican food? Then you have your choice of Rio Grande or Chicos. Both places offer fast service and food so good you are sure to go back. For all you Italian lovers out there, be sure to visit The Upper Crust, Alfredo's or Boli's, all of which offer a variety of pizzas, subs and other favorites.

Boli's also offers much more

than just food. Some nights they have live bands that perform and they also have the most popular sports attraction with all their televisions. The location definitely makes Boli's a favorite downtown hangout spot.

For those in the mood for comfort food, just step into Cubbies. They offer some of the best hamburgers and hot dogs in Pitt County. Do not forget to chase it all down with some fresh squeezed lemonade or orangeade, both personal favorites.

Buffalo Wild Wings cannot be overlooked when going downtown. All sports fans gather there to watch their teams go head to head on their numerous televisions, both big and small, and to chow down on the best wings in town. They have great specials on their wings, which is wonderful for college students and also have a regular trivia night that anyone can play at absolutely no cost. It is not hard to go in for a meal and end up staying just to play trivia while watching sports with your friends.

The Red Rooster has become very popular, especially for those who are into live bands. Most weekends they have local favorite bands as well as new bands that are just trying to make a name for themselves. The cover is not too bad and the fun you will have there is worth a try. Happy's and Scores are the two places to go when you want to relax, listen to music and shoot some pool. It is simple to pass the time with cues and a nice group of friends.

So there you have it. Plenty of things to do downtown that do not require alcohol. Some of you may still be 18 while other are just so close to 21 that it hurts, but remember that getting caught is not fun at all. Wherever you go, just remember that you are representing ECU and do it with pride, because you are a pirate.

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rite for the vegetarian crowd or you could try The Bacon Double Cheeseburger if you're carnivorous like me. If you aren't in the mood for burritos then you could always check out the historical Trolley Stop Hot Dog stand by the beach. It's only open from 11 a.m. - 4 p.m., but they serve the "best hot dog on the beach," so it's worth trying out.

There are also several places in Wilmington to go for a fine dining experience. The Organic is located, unexpectedly, on the ocean, which makes it a romantic date spot. While this restaurant may be significantly pricier than the hot dog stand, the prices are not completely unreasonable for the average college student.

If you want to stick around the downtown area, Eljah's is the place to go. It's located right on the river among all the shops and vendors so it's hard to miss.

They're known for their tasty shrimp and fish selections so if seafood isn't appealing to you then I wouldn't recommend it. There are many other restaurants in all price ranges along the river and ocean for you to choose from. One thing's for certain, you won't be going home hungry.

So there you have it, a guide to a getaway from Greenville. If you stay on course and don't get side-tracked, you can make it to Wilmington in just under two hours which leaves the entire day to scope out the city and enjoy the beach atmosphere.

Next weekend, you can catch a performance of "I Love You, You're Perfect, Now Change" at Thalian Hall or check out Glass Casket and The Red Orchestra Band playing at the Soap Box. You don't have to spend a fortune to have a good time and by the time you leave, you'll feel like you had a vacation from the reality that is school.

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One thing that really gets couples fired up, especially the girls, are the comments that other people post. To girls: If another female posts something on your boyfriend's wall, you are obviously going to see it and many of you will question who she is. Then you click on her picture and take a look around her profile. The next step is looking at her status, comments and, of course, taking a quick glimpse at her pictures just to make sure your guy is not in any of them. After you discover that she is an old friend or just a classmate, you take a long sigh of relief and

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Consecutive games that West Virginia has won over ECU, four of which were played at Milan Puskar Stadium

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Average number of points that West Virginia has scored in the 17 games against ECU, including 16 Mountaineer wins

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Average number of points that ECU has scored in the 17 games against West Virginia

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West Virginia's national rank in rushing, the Mountaineers are averaging 348.7 yards per game on the ground

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Yards per carry by West Virginia Heisman hopeful Steve Slaton who has 508 yards in three games

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Kills by junior outside hitter Mignon Dubenion against North Carolina A&T on Tuesday, which ties her career-high for the fifth time

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Consecutive games that volleyball has won in three matches over Wisconsin Green-Bay, Grambling State and North Carolina A&T

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Women's basketball games against 2006 post-season participants according to the 2006-2007 schedule released on Tuesday

## They said it

"We've come a long way in a year's time to be where we were to be where we are now. As I keep saying, the hill keeps getting steeper. It's at its steepest point this week. This is our biggest challenge since we've been here. At first it was just to get three or four wins. Now all of a sudden in our fourth game, we've got to compete with a top five team in the country. It's going to be an unbelievable challenge."  
-Skip Holtz, ECU Head Coach

"This is the biggest game I've played in my career here. It's going to be a great atmosphere. It's going to be a great atmosphere. It's definitely going to help with 42,000 crazy Pirate fans screaming to get the momentum to keep our morale. It's our chance to put ECU back on the map."  
-Bobby Good, ECU senior wide receiver

"We've got heart. Everybody on this team from the scout team to the starters to the backups, we've got heart. The only way to really show that we've got heart."  
-Marcus Hands, ECU sophomore defensive end

"There's nothing spectacular about West Virginia. They line up just like we do... We're excited, but we're here for one goal. That one goal is to come out, take this one game at a time and play out hearts out against West Virginia and try to come out on top. That's all we're worried about right now."  
-Quentin Cotton, ECU sophomore linebacker

# Back on the base paths

Pirate baseball team in the middle of fall practice

RON CLEMENTS  
SENIOR WRITER

Billy Godwin said he's better prepared and has his plan in place as the ECU baseball coach prepares for his second season as skipper of the Diamond Bucs.

"The offseason has given me a chance to reflect," said Godwin, who was named head coach following the resignation of former coach Randy Mazey.

"I was kind of thrust into the situation in October. I've had a chance to reflect and get my thoughts together about how I want to approach things and how I want to do things in a first full season, so that's certainly exciting for me to have the opportunity to plan. There's been more planning on my part about how I want things done in our program."

Godwin's second season as the head coach got under way last week with the commencement of fall practice. Godwin said he was impressed with what he saw from

his returning players. "I think we've got a lot accomplished in a short period of time," Godwin said of the first week of the 18-day fall practice schedule. "I've been really encouraged. We've seen some good things. The purpose of the fall is to evaluate so that we can take the individual time to work on some things that we see guys gotta work at."

Many Pirates used the summer to hone their skills playing in various wood-bat summer leagues throughout the country. A few achieved all-star success in their respective leagues.

Mike Flye and Jamie Ray each were selected to play in the Coastal Plain League All-Star game. Flye posted an ERA under 1.00 as the closer for the Wilson Tobs while Ray's .350 batting average earned him a spot on 2006 SEBaseball.com summer all-star team. Godwin said he sees an improvement from all 12 returning Pirates who played in the amateur leagues.

"We had some guys go out and have great summers," Godwin said. "Jamie Ray was one of the top 15 players in the country. Dale Mollenhauer had a great summer (in Canada). Shane Matthews threw well in the Cape

Cod League.

"The summer is a great time for guys to go out and we identified things and what we asked them to do. These are some of the things we'd like to see you do to come back and be a better baseball player."

Godwin said the summer leagues have kept his players, including junior college transfers Trent Ashcraft, Cory Kemp and Mark Letchworth, in shape.

"I've been really impressed in the conditioning that our returners have come back in," Godwin said.

The Rocky Mount native and former head coach at Louisburg College said he was equally impressed with the Diamond Buc hopefuls.

"There are some guys who certainly can play college baseball," Godwin said. "The key for a walk-on is are they good enough to come in right now and contribute. I was real impressed overall with our walk-on tryouts."

Aside from the JuCo transfers and possible walk-ons, Godwin said he has been impressed with his first recruiting class. First baseman Kyle Roller from Richmond County has "demonstrated tremendous power," according to



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The baseball team hopes to return to the NCAA Tournament.

Godwin and the coach has also been impressed with infielder Brock Sutton.

"We could see some of our freshmen emerge and step in and contribute," Godwin said.

Godwin and his staff, which includes former ECU players

Clayton McCullough and Ben Sanderson, are trying to get back to the NCAA tournament after the Pirates missed out on the postseason for the first time in eight years in 2005.

see **BASEBALL** page A10



Senior midfielder Tara Shaw is a big reason why the women's soccer team has jumped out to a strong start. Shaw has scored three goals, including two against Georgia State. She has started all eight games.

# Tara Shaw determined to instill winning legacy

Senior matures as career winds down

TOMMY GRAHAM  
STAFF WRITER

When coaches recruit, they look for size, athleticism and the determination to never quit. As far as size goes, on the ECU women's soccer team they do not get much bigger than Tara Shaw.

At 5-10, Shaw presents an intimidating presence in the midfield for Rob Donnenwirth's team. As a senior she provides a strong defensive presence, as well as a scoring threat that gives opponents more than one thing to worry about when she's around the ball.

Only one other player on the team does she truly have to look up to, that being Mary Puckett (5-11), but yet in her four years at ECU, Shaw has not only stood tall in literal terms for this team, she has set an example off the field as well.

Shaw came to ECU by way of Great Valley H.S. in Malvern, Pa. Located in eastern Pennsylvania, this town of 3,200 located in Chester County is close to the Paoli Battlefield site. On her high school team, Shaw was a leader. She notched top 10 all time scoring honors in her school's history as well as being a four year letter winner and four time first team all-league selection. In her senior season, Shaw helped lead her team to the semi-finals of the state high school soccer tournament.

After graduation, Shaw came to ECU where the student body is

larger than the population of her hometown. She began her collegiate play in the 2003-2004 year, seeing action in eight games for the Lady Pirates that year. Shaw did not get long to adjust to the college game. After sitting out the first few contests, she got her first game action against ECU's chief regional rival, the UNCW Seahawks.

As a sophomore, Shaw played in 16 games for the Lady Pirates with her first start being in the home opener against Georgia southern. She also recorded her first goal that season against Memphis and finished the year ranked third on the team in shot percentage at .286. Of the most memorable things that happened that year, Shaw said one of the best was "beating Cincinnati in their own house!"

Going into her Junior campaign Shaw was ready to make a name for herself. She was one of only eight Pirates to have played in all 21 games, starting 12 of them at the mid-field position. She tied for fourth on the team with two goals, but her shot percentage dropped to .167. However, she was one of the Lady Pirates on the field during their conference tournament victory over a ranked SMU team. She said this victory "was really special" in the fact that earlier in the year, ECU had lost to them on Bunting Field.

Now in her senior year, Shaw so far this season is already tied for second in points (nine) with three goals and a shooting percentage of .333. She recorded two

see **SHAW** page A10

# Women's volleyball routs N.C. A&T

ECU's sweep brings winning streak to three

ROBERT MATTHEW PARKS  
STAFF WRITER

Sloppy is not a term usually used to describe a three-games-to-none win, but it is exactly the way Lady Pirates Head Coach Chris Rushing described his team's latest victory.

The Lady Pirates were able to overcome lowly North Carolina A&T in three games Tuesday night 30-19, 30-24, 30-26.

Leading the Lady Pirates was Mignon Dubenion with 15 kills. Dubenion also contributed two digs on the night. Senior co-captain setter Heidi Krug had 38 assists and 10 digs on the night, giving her a double-double. The Lady Pirates started slow

out of the gate before getting things together to win the game. Early in the game the appearance of defensive difficulties were evident, allowing the Aggies to hang around for the first 20 minutes. During a timeout, Krug could be heard shouting the same term her coach would use at the end of the night, Sloppy.

Game two went much the same way with the Aggies refusing to go down, playing the Lady Pirates almost point-for-point until the score was 21-20, at which point Rushing's team was able to put away the Aggies, winning the game 30-24.

The final game was the closest of the night with the Lady Pirates coming out on top 30-26 to complete the sweep. Of the Lady Pirates 35 digs, 18 came in game three.

While happy to get the win, Rushing and his players expressed

disappointment in their effort after the game, clearly expecting to handle A&T easier than they did.

"We did not do basic fundamentals very well tonight," said Rushing. "Defensively, we weren't getting to the right spots to dig balls. We were dropping to our knees when we should have been staying on our feet, and we did not get the ball to our setter so that we could run a good offense."

Following the game Rushing took his team behind closed-doors for nearly 20 minutes.

Upon exiting the locker room Krug echoed much of what Rushing had said.

"We were all frustrated," Krug sighed. "In the first two games we had 17 digs. We weren't doing the things that we normally do."

On a positive note, Krug did



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Heidi Krug sets up one of her 38 assists against North Carolina A&T.

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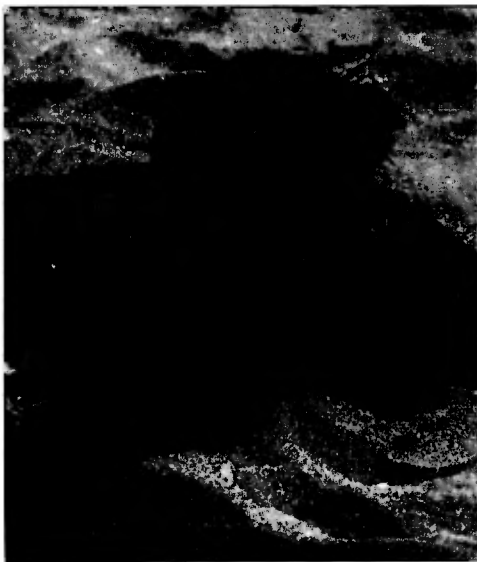


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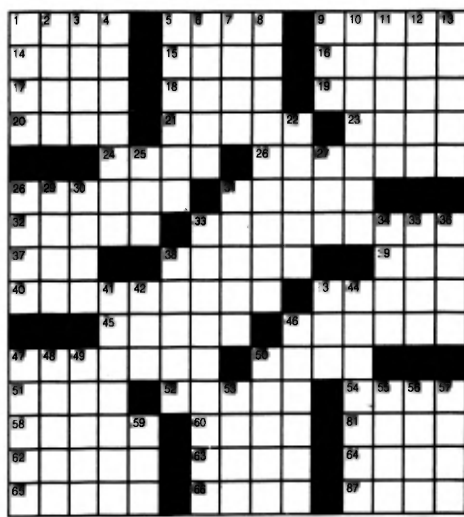
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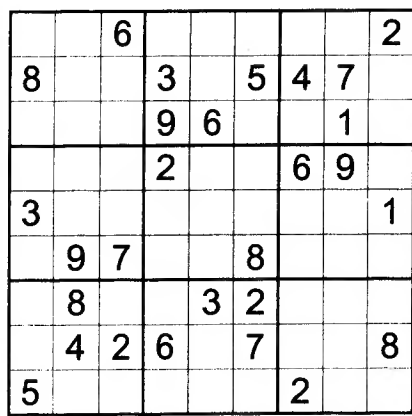


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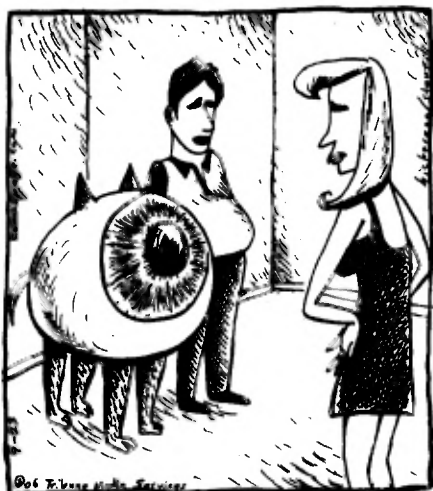
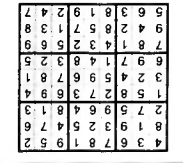
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**BASEBALL**  
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Billy Godwin's squad fields ground balls in fall practice.

"The NCAA tournament is a process," Godwin said, "and the process is that we have to go out and recruit the kind of players that can put us in that position. Our coaching staff is responsible for getting those guys to play at the level to be able to get into the NCAA tournament. These guys are focused right now on playing at the level we believe they have to play at."

"The NCAAs, that's more of turn-the-page January-type goal. The fall right now is letting guys know what our expectations are, meeting those expectations, exceeding them and just trying to be a better baseball player to help us win games in the spring."

Godwin added that there is "no question" that getting back to the NCAA tournament and ultimately to Omaha for the College World Series is one of those expectations.

"We don't want a player to come in here and that not be his ultimate goal as a member of our baseball program," Godwin said. "We talk about Omaha a lot within our team."

Starting another streak of NCAA appearances will not be easy as the Pirates will welcome three teams who played in the 2006 College World Series to Clark-LeClair Stadium. Rice, UNC and Cal State Fullerton will come to Greenville, among other "heavy hitters" from the college baseball elite.

"We've got some teams like Michigan, Pepperdine and North Carolina State coming in," Godwin said. "I think when our schedule is released, it's probably going to be one of the most challenging schedules that East Carolina's played. Our philosophy on that is, if we want to be the best, we've got to beat the best."

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of those goals in the game against Georgia State earlier this month. With only one more goal, Shaw will have tied her career mark of four goals and could very easily surpass that mark with 11 games left in the season.

However, she is not just all about height and leg power. Shaw is studying criminal justice here at ECU and has made the Athletic Dean's list multiple times, most recently in the spring of 2006. In addition, she was named to the honor roll on multiple occasions as well as being named to the C-USA Commissioner's Academic Honor Roll the past two years. Looking ahead Shaw would like to be able to go to grad school, maybe at ECU and continue her studies.

"I just want to be able to help people," she said when asked why she chose criminal justice as her major.

"It gives us a chance just to be ourselves," Shaw said. She also remarked that this will be one of the things she misses the most after she leaves the program this year. Outside of the field is where the team "really gets to know each other," she said.

Over the course of the past few years, Shaw has went from being a "small town girl", to the player on the field opponents do not want to see. With 11 games left this season, her favorite niece and nephew cheering her on and the Conference tournament to look forward to, her Senior year looks to finish with a flurry. That flurry however is one that the Lady Pirates will hope to see finish with a conference championship and a few new moves on the dance floor!

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say that the team did do a better job digging in the second half, something that had been discussed between games two and three.

"We're happy that we won and we did block a lot. We turned around for 18 digs in the third game."

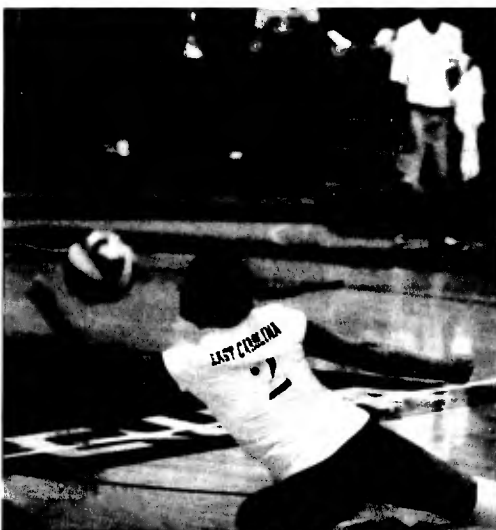
Freshman setter Hannah Fenker summed up the evening saying, "We have to not play down to other people's levels. It is a mindset that has to be changed." Of the 18 digs in game three, "We should have had many digs every time."

As for what was said in the locker room, Krug explained.

"[Coach] told us that conference champions don't play like this."

The Lady Pirates will next play at Tulane on Sept. 22 to officially kick-off what will be the rest of the Conference-USA season.

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Sophomore co-captain Trish Monroe goes to the floor for one of her six digs.



Sophomore blocker Kim Jefferson goes for one of her two kills.

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