



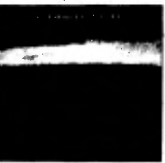
Hall Stars for the Homeless



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Photos by Zach Siken

ECU community comes out in full force to support the cause

ADELINE TRENTO
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The Annual All-stars for the Homeless event, which was held to raise awareness and collect donations for the homeless in Greenville, was a huge success. The event, which was sponsored by the resident advisors of Umstead Residence Hall, began at 3 p.m. on Tuesday outside of the Blount house on 10th Street. For

the event, volunteers took turns living in a cardboard "house" for 24 hours to collect donations for local charities that help the homeless in Greenville.

The fundraiser began on Tuesday with a ribbon cutting ceremony by Amy Miller, a former Umstead Hall Coordinator that started this event six years ago. Miller cut a yellow ribbon covering the door of the cardboard home, signaling the beginning of the 24 hour fundraiser.

Miller began this event when she was the Hall Coordinator for Umstead as a way to collect donations for the homeless and make



Samira Rag, Brandy Morris, Tabetha Pierce and Scott Carter with daughter Sarah sit inside their cardboard shelter.

people aware of the homeless problem in Pitt County.

"We started this event to increase awareness about the homeless population in our community, and also to collect non-perishable items that would be used to help a lot of people in our area," said Miller.

Many Students and ECU staff came out to support the event, and donations were given even before the ribbon cutting ceremony was finished. Six minutes into the fundraiser, people had already started to fill bags with clothing and canned food.

Most students felt that having

volunteers live in a box for 24 hours was a really good way to get the message out there and get people to notice the event. Many local people, who were unaware of the fundraiser, saw the box on 10th Street and came back with donations.

"It's a really different experience to have people live in a box for 24 hours," said Alva Navarro, senior nutrition and dietetics major. "We could always just accept donations for a homeless shelter, but I think it's very different and gets more peoples attention to actually sit in a box and wait for donations."

Whether it was for a class,

volunteer hours or just a way to give back to the community, a lot of people volunteered to take a shift living in the box. More than 100 people volunteered to sit in the box, and some shifts had more than six people signed up to spend time in the cardboard home at once. RA's, dorm coordinators, honor students, Residence Life staff members and ECU students volunteered their time and took a shift in the cardboard home.

Many volunteers decided to donate their time because they

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Photo by Lemna Jymel

William Gheen, Adelcio Lugo, Robert Lee Maril, Jeremy McKinney and Leticia Zavala speak at the forum.

Local panel discusses immigration

Forum held in Brody Auditorium

ZACK HILL
STAFF WRITER

The Department of Sociology and the League of Women Voters of Pitt County held a forum Wednesday night at 7 p.m. in Brody Auditorium to discuss the United States' immigration policy.

The forum consisted of a diverse, five member panel moderated by Annette Newell of WNCT Channel.

Time limits and other restrictions were imposed on the panelists to keep the dialogue from turning into an argument.

"This is not a debate, this is information sharing," said Eva Rodgers of the Pitt County League of Women Voters.

William Gheen, an ECU alumnus and president of ALI-

PAC, an immigration political action group was first to speak. He said that immediate immigration reform was necessary because, "The current laws are not being enforced by the executive branch."

Gheen said that public safety was being greatly diminished because of illegal immigration.

"You cannot allow the import of people from third world, anarchy countries," said Gheen. "The loss of quality of life is substantial and North Carolina is ground zero because of our licensing policies... we are being forced and told that we should accept rampant illegal immigration in our communities regardless of the law."

Gheen went on to say that amnesty and guest worker programs were not the answer to the problem.

Next to speak was another ECU graduate, Adelcio Lugo, a mortgage loan officer with Self-

Help Credit Union.

He too called for comprehensive immigration reform, saying the current law, "Is not in synch with reality. We need a law that not only addresses the current problems but also future problems."

Lugo said that the native population could not meet the need for a supply of low cost labor in the United States, and therefore the economy could help sustain those immigrants that might come through legal channels.

Lugo also said there was a need to address workers rights, both legal and illegal.

"There are far too many hard working immigrants subject to abuse. This undermines conditions for all workers," said Lugo.

Robert Maril, professor of sociology, followed Lugo and took a different perspective on

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Organizations participate in National Fire Prevention Week

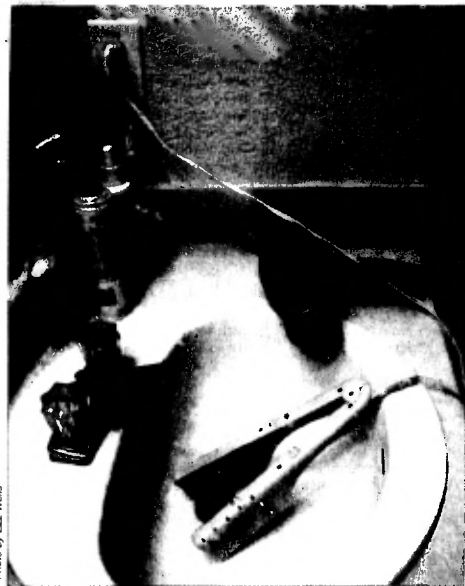


Photo by Lutz Wells

Unattended hairdryers left plugged in are on a long list of fire hazards.

Sponsored by Environmental Health and Safety

ZACK HILL
STAFF WRITER

The week of Oct. 8 - 14 is National Fire Prevention Week. The event is being sponsored at ECU by Environmental Health and Safety, the Student Chapter of the American Society of Safety Engineers and the Greenville Fire Department.

Fire is no stranger to the ECU campus. A bathroom in the Brewster building was purposefully set on fire last Friday and ECU student Latasha Ann Isler was arrested earlier this year for first degree arson in connection with a fire in the Clement Residence Hall. This year's theme is "Prevent Cooking Fires: Watch What You Cook."

According to statistics on the American Society of Safety Engineers Web site, the leading causes in dormitory fires are, in order of frequency, cooking, careless smoking and arson.

Arson is the leading cause of fires in fraternity and sorority houses. About half of those who die in dorm or Greek house fires have high blood alcohol contents.

Booths sponsored by the orga-

nizations involved have been placed throughout campus during the week to distribute information on fire prevention.

In an e-mail, Assistant Director of Environmental Health and Safety Phil Lewis said, "Although this year's theme involves cooking, an escape plan is necessary for all fires. Evacuation plans are already in place for each department on campus but what better time to remind students, faculty and staff of the need to make a fire escape plan for their homes?"

The Greenville Fire Department has been sending out its fire trucks to local schoolchildren in attempt to raise awareness on the juvenile level.

Senior Fire Code Official Gary Coggins said that the department has responded to several fires set in trash cans on and around the campus. He hopes this week may help curb incidents such as these.

"We wish the ECU students were a little more active, but I think the general public is beginning to come around a little bit," Coggins said. "All we can do is put it out there."

For more information on fire prevention, visit nfp.org.

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News

{ Campus & Community }

Announcements

Thursday, Oct. 12
From 6 - 8 p.m. at both campus dining halls. Want a piece of Homecoming 2006 before any one else? Stop by a campus dining hall during "Steak and Shrimp Night" to grab a goodie!

ECTC/ECC Alumni Society Reunion
Friday, Oct. 20, through Saturday, Oct. 21
ECU alumni who attended ECTC or ECC are invited to attend the ECTC/ECC Alumni Society Reunion. Activities include a campus bus tour, breakfast at the Alumni Center on Saturday prior to the parade, the Alumni Tailgate, and a reduced-price football ticket. Following the game, enjoy a reception and dinner at Mendenhall Student Center, and then dance to the tunes of the Collegians as you reminisce and reconnect with friends from your college days at ECU. Our special honorees this year are members of the Class of 1956. These alumni will be inducted as Golden Alumni at the evening event. For details, contact the East Carolina Alumni Association. Call (800) ECU-GRAD or visit PirateAlumni.com. Ticket required.

Homecoming Open House
Saturday, Oct. 21
9 a.m. at the Taylor-Slaughter Alumni Center. Attend the Homecoming Open House on Saturday, Oct. 21 from 9 - 11 a.m. Enjoy a continental breakfast and a front row seat for the homecoming parade at 10 a.m. The event is free and open to the public. For more information, please contact 328-6072 or Homecoming, PirateAlumni.com.

Technology Jobs Available
Oct. 2 - 23
Location: Allied Health and Nursing Building
The SMART Classroom support team within the Information Technology and Computing Services department (ecu.edu/itcs) is looking for student employees who can work mornings, beginning at 8 a.m., in the new Allied Health and Nursing building on ECU's West Campus. If you can work morning hours and are interested, please contact Tom Irons, Jr. at ironsth@mail.ecu.edu. Classroom technology experience is not required; we will train enthusiastic hard working students.

Campus Dining Survey - Opportunity to Win an Apple® iPod® nano or iTunes® Gift Card
Oct. 5 - 20
Location: ecu.edu/dining
We are conducting a survey to better understand your campus lifestyle and preferences. By sharing your thoughts, we will gain valuable insight to help improve your overall campus dining experience. This online survey will take 10 to 12 minutes and your responses are confidential. Each participant in the survey will have the opportunity to enter to win an Apple® iPod® nano or iTunes® Gift Card. Click on this link to begin the survey: collegediningurvey.com/ecu or ecu.edu/dining.

Hedda Gabler
Nov. 16 to 21
Employing methods that virtually defined the modern psychological drama, this masterpiece reveals the conflicts and emotions that lie below the surface of daily life. Was it murder or suicide? Originally, by Henrik Ibsen, the adaptation is being presented by Christopher Hampton.

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***Focus Group Session**
Please come and share your thoughts as they relate to the current collection of art housed in the LWCC, recommendations for change, and suggestions for the future.
Ledonia Wright Cultural Center Gallery
3 p.m.

N.C. State Fair Opens
Ice Hockey
Bladez on Ice
104 Red Banks Rd. across the street from Overtons
3:45 - 8 p.m.
ECU vs. VCU

Freeboot Friday
Performing this week:
Parrotbeach (Jimmy Buffett Cover Band)
Uptown Greenville
5 - 8 p.m.

Discover D.C.! Bus Trip 2006
Cultural Enrichment Trip to Washington, D.C. Sponsored by the Ledonia Wright Cultural Center. Please come by the Ledonia Wright Cultural Center, Bloxton House or call 328-6495 to sign up, total cost of the trip \$60 (not including food and souvenirs). Deadline date Wednesday, Oct. 11 at 5 p.m. Bus Departing from Ledonia Wright Cultural Center 6 a.m.

Women's and Men's Swimming
Minges Aquatic Center
12 p.m.
ECU VS. DAVIDSON

Football
HS Band Day, Scout Day, Academic Success Day
Dowdy-Ficklen Stadium
3 p.m.
ECU VS. TULSA

Women's Soccer
Bunting Field
1 p.m.
ECU VS. SOUTHERN MISS

Fall Break
No Classes

SGA Meeting
SGA will meet at 5 p.m. in the Mendenhall social rooms.

Fall Break
No Classes

Gilbert & Sullivan Players: Pirates of Penzance
For more information visit ecu.edu/SRAPAS/Wright Auditorium

Banner Competition
Come support your favorite student organizations as they display their spirit and artwork as part of the Official 2006 Spirit Cup Competition during Homecoming Week!
Hendrix Theater
8:30 - 10 a.m.

Russian Film Series: "Tycoon: A New Russian"
Movies have English subtitles or dubbing.
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NEWS BRIEFS

National:

S.C. teen asks governor to stop transfer to adult prison

(AP) — A South Carolina teenager appealing his murder conviction for killing his grandparents when he was 12 asked Gov. Mark Sanford on Tuesday to stop his transfer to an adult prison.
But the governor's spokesman said Christopher Pittman, now 17, should be treated just like any other inmate.
The South Carolina Supreme Court, which heard oral arguments in the boy's appeal last week, refused Tuesday to halt Pittman's transfer. The court has not yet ruled on Pittman's appeal.
Pittman's attorneys have asked the state Supreme Court to overturn the boy's conviction for the 2001 killings, saying he shouldn't have been tried as an adult. Attorney Andy Vickery said the case should have stayed in juvenile court, where a conviction would have sent Pittman to a facility until he turned 21.

Zoloff is a widely prescribed antidepressant. In 2004, the Food and Drug Administration ordered Zoloff and other antidepressants to carry "black box" warnings, the government's strongest warning short of a ban, about an increased risk of suicidal behavior in children.
Officials: State Fair will be ready for thousands of visitors

(AP) — Getting about 110 rides ready to pass safety inspections will be a challenge, but the new operator of the State Fair midway said everything will be up and running when thousands of people arrive for opening day Friday.
That would be a dramatic change from last year, when just 42 of 111 rides had passed the state's stringent standards on the eve of the fair.
"I think we're ahead of the game for the first time in the history of the fair," said

Les Powers, owner of Powers Great American Midways.
On Tuesday, rides were still being set up and officials were just starting the inspections.
New lighting and planters were added to the midway, making the area more attractive and offering people places to sit, said state Agricultural Commissioner Steve Troxler. There's also a new services building with restrooms and public safety offices. The improvements this year cost about \$4 million, Troxler said.
"Anything that has 'fry' to the name is popular, but I think it's a personal preference," he said.
Grade schoolers with cell phones in school
(AP) — Just as in high schools a few years ago, more pupils are going to grade school with cell phones. And some principals say that's OK, so long as the phones are silenced.
Principal Tim Smith of

Periwinkle Elementary in Albany says he knows that safety is a justifiable reason that parents might want to send off a student with a cell phone.
Smith's sentiment was typical of those at 10 schools the Albany Democrat-Herald surveyed. But his sentiments weren't universal.
At Green Acres Elementary School in Lebanon, Principal Kevin Bogatin asks arriving students to check their phones at the office. They can have them back at the end of the day.
He says if a parent needs to get hold of their children at an elementary school "they can easily contact us."
Bogatin says he doesn't need kids "text-messaging across the building."
Drunken Bear Released After Sleep-Off
(AP) — Wildlife officials used a tranquilizer dart to bring down a bear stumbling

drunk through Lyons, Colo., as children set off for school.
Around 7:30 a.m. Tuesday, a woman watering her backyard said she was startled by the female bear, estimated to be about 4 years old, KCNC-TV, Denver reported Wednesday.
Deputies responded quickly, as many children would soon be on the streets headed for Lyons Elementary School, the television station said. Those already at the school were herded into the gymnasium as a precaution.
The deputies fired a beanbag projectile at the bear in hopes it would set off on its own but it kept meandering near the school. State Division of Wildlife officers shot the bear with a tranquilizer dart.
They said the bear had most likely been eating rotting apples in preparation for winter hibernation, which made it drunk, the report said.
The bear was tagged for its first offense and Wednesday was taken to a higher elevation for

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the forum.
"I'm interested in talking a little bit more about the complexity and history of immigration to avoid racist stereotypes," Maril said, while reminding the audience of the Irish and Asian influxes of the 19th century.
Maril is the author of "Patrolling Chaos: The U.S. Border Patrol in Deep South Texas," a field study of the U.S. Border Patrol. He spoke to the House Judiciary Committee about the problems within the Border Patrol and also helped to author a Congressional bill to provide more resources to the patrol.
"For any country controlling its borders and at this point we don't have control of our borders. One of the reasons is that we have a dysfunctional organization that is primarily responsible for it," Maril said.
Jeremy McKinney, a lawyer in the area of immigration and naturalization for McKinney and Justice in Greensboro, opened by asking anyone in the room to raise their hand if they wanted illegal immigration.
"That's what I thought," McKinney responded. "Everyone is against illegal immigration. The discussion should focus on how we can fix a system we all know is broken."

"Many Americans, while sympathetic to the plight of undocumented aliens, want a secure border and accountability from those who are here undocumented," McKinney said.
"Under the current law it becomes wiser for that person to stay here illegally than go back voluntarily," McKinney said. "The system encourages rather than prevents illegal immigration."
Last in line was Leticia Zavala, an organizer for the Farm Labor Organizing Committee, an arm of the AFL-CIO that represents migrant farm workers. Her comments followed in line with some of Maril's closing remarks that "The majority of undocumented workers are fine, upstanding citizens."
Zavala was an illegal immigrant when she came to the United States from Mexico as an eight-year old girl because her family "wanted to have an opportunity to pay for education and become something important."
She stressed that simple economic factors were the main cause of immigration.
"It's not just lack of enforcement of the law, it is also labor laws that make it attractive to

hire us undocumented immigrants instead of you as citizens who might demand a little more or know how to defend themselves a little better," said Zavala.
Zavala blamed big business for many of the immigration problems, and said the problem was something that could be felt locally.
"In Greene County in 2004 a grower was paying smugglers to bring him about 230 workers. He paid for these workers and forced them to work for free until they paid back the \$4,000 it cost to get them here," Zavala said. "We should start asking for enforcement from the government in those areas as well."
She also denounced the term "illegal immigrant."
"People are not illegal. We label them as illegal by creating laws that are unfair and illogical," Zavala said.
The audience was given note cards and pencils to jot down questions for the panel. Students of Dr. Rebecca Powers' Sociology and Immigration class were on hand to collect the questions.
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thought this was a great way to get people aware of the problem and help the homeless in Greenville.
"There are just so many homeless people around here," said Navarro. "A lot of times people don't want to donate money because they don't know where the money will be going to. They don't know if the money will be used to buy drugs or if it will actually be used to buy food. I think accepting donations and giving it to an agency that will actually give it to these people and help them is the best thing we can do."
At the end of the Annual All-stars for the Homeless event, fifteen bags of clothing, twenty bags of nonperishable items and

more than forty dollars had been donated, but even after the event was officially over donations were still coming in. All of the proceeds from the fundraiser were donated to the Greenville Community Shelter and the First Born Organization.
"The event was very successful," said Reotis Anderson, junior Umstead RA.
"We had a ton of people come out to support us and everyone brought donations. We were able to give a lot to the charities and with these donations they will be able to help a lot of people in Pitt County."
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Opinion

{ Home of the Pirate Rants }

Stereotyping makes the world go round

Why we always feel the need to judge others

ELIZABETH LAUTEN
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

As members of society, we walk fine lines everyday. It's a tricky job, balancing work and responsibility against the powerful desire to procrastinate and play. When you throw into the mix the emotions and snap-judgments we make about people, it's a wonder we accomplish anything.

Just now for instance, I was outside talking on my cell phone when a guy walked up to me in rather shabby clothing, and frankly scared the hell out of me. Considering the part of town I work in, I felt the safest thing to do was to walk away and avoid all interaction.

I felt like a fool when a business woman from down the street passed him by, only to find out that he was trying to get directions back to a main road.

Why was there the need to judge him at all? His physical appearance aside, he gave me no indication that I should be concerned with anything about him.

I know I'm not the only one who makes these judgments though - we all do. It has become commonplace in our society to decide whether or not the people around us are "on our level" enough to talk and interact with.

We all read Pirate Rants everyday where students call each other out based on the clothes on their backs and the organizations that they're a part of. Yet, how often are we correct in our assumptions?

I know plenty of fraternity men who go against the grain of stereotypes and are nothing like what you expect them to be. And I have friends who look gothic and act like Suzy-sunshines. Where's the truth in snap-judging those people?

I can't help but wonder why we've let stereotyping take over our society the way that it has. We've all been told "that you can't judge a book by its cover," but it hasn't seem to have really set in.

Maybe it's time that we stopped being so judgmental and actually tried to give people a chance. Because I'm pretty sure for every time we're right in our assumptions, we're wrong twice.

Remember the Taliban?

JUSTIN SUMMERS
OPINION WRITER

With so many terrorist organizations and so-called terrorist groups we now know and fear: Hezbollah, Hamas, Al Qaeda, to name a few, it is easy to forget a couple along the way.

One most people surely have forgotten is the Taliban, the very first Islamic fundamentalist group slated for annihilation by the Bush regime. On this weekend five long years ago, the first bombs were dropped from B-52 and stealth bombers into Afghanistan in order to eliminate the Taliban, as part of Operation Enduring Freedom. Just weeks after 9-11, these were the first of thousands of bombs to explode in the Middle East as part of Bush's crusade against terrorism.

Afghanistan was Bush's success story; we successfully eradicated the Taliban and were on our way to finding the other forgotten terrorist, Osama Bin Laden. However, five years later suicide bombings are up 600 percent, and Opium and poppy cultivation are at record highs. U.S. and NATO forces are suffering from the worst casualty rate in five years and the Taliban is making a comeback.

The United States of America invaded Afghanistan five years ago in an attempt to squash Al Qaeda terrorists and the Taliban. We invaded in order to bring "freedom" to the Afghans and more importantly to the Afghan women. Maybe you can remember seeing the specials on the news prior to invasion about the horrible repression of the Afghan women under the Taliban, or remember some of Laura Bush's rhetoric of how we would free them.

Well when we did effectively remove the Taliban from parts of Afghanistan, it was assumed that everything would just get better for the Afghans, however this was fallacy. Sure, on paper, the women of Afghanistan have more freedoms and this is evident in Kabul, the capital of Afghanistan where things have definitely improved for women and men alike. However, outside of the capital things are very much the same if not worse.

Women are found, killed and tortured for cooperating with U.S. forces, and in the West women set themselves on fire to escape from the repression and misogyny of Afghan fundamentalists.

What we did do, was clean up and cordon off Kabul, and push the warlords we opposed of out of the country, and empowered the Northern Alliance warlords to help us get rid of the remaining Taliban in southern Afghanistan.

We are using brutal tactics to capture and kill suspected terrorists and in doing so are creating more opposition to our occupation of their land. Originally, the people in Afghanistan were tolerant to our occupation, but with fighting in the south getting more and more out of hand, we are letting the Taliban or a new spin off of the Taliban gain in popularity.

The war in Afghanistan has been called the "just" war, the "war worth fighting" by democrats, people such as Bill Clinton and John Kerry feel that we should be concentrating our efforts in Afghanistan, not Iraq.

On the other hand Republicans are saying that Afghanistan was a success and that all is well. However, neither party has a clue as to what is going on in Afghanistan, or as to what has to be done there. Pumping more troops and rounding up more "terrorists" is the current manifesto and so far, it is only creating more problems. The solution to the problem in Afghanistan is unclear and right now, the people of Afghanistan are in limbo waiting to see who will prevail in the conflict, the new and improved Taliban or U.S. and UN forces.

Until then, maybe the answer would be to bring food and education to the people of Afghanistan, who are some of the poorest and hungriest on earth.

In addition to dying from U.S. and Taliban attacks, Afghan women have an average lifespan of 45 years, and the highest maternal mortality and infant mortality rates in the world today. Maybe if we match the amount in tons of bombs to tons of food and books we could gain some popularity in the region, until then we are just creating more enemies.



PIRATE RANTS

To the people that smoke on campus and throw their cigarette butts on the ground: If you just take a second to look around, you may be able to find a designated spot for your butts. Our campus is starting to look like a big ashtray.

Just because you have bangs and a spray tan doesn't mean you're hot.

To Frustrated Bill Payer, from Ask Jane: If I were you, I would anonymously, or at least unknowingly to your roommate and his girl friend, call the landlord or rental management company and inform them of this third party violating the lease agreement, perhaps even mentioning the dog.

To the pretty lady in my class that never smiles, I noticed you the first day of school and have yet to see a smile. I think you would be so much more attractive if you did.

If you can't stay awake in class, want to whistle while the professor is teaching or click your pen continuously just to annoy everyone else, then just leave class. Some of us are actually trying to graduate next semester and not just wasting time in school.

Candy corn can totally kick real corn's butt.

To the person in the stall next to me in the bathroom today, there's nothing so important that you have to text someone while in the bathroom.

I don't even bother checking the weather anymore I just assume it's going to rain.

I am so tired of being asked out on Facebook, Facebook is not a dating service. Try actually talking to me. That would help your case.

Why do people give me so much crap for picking my nose? I don't care what anyone says, everyone does it! Not everything in your nose is blowable!

To the people who rant about being hit with a chicken patty. I too was smacked in the back and in the side by two patties at same time while skateboarding to the library, what is going on?

I loved the BMX article! Way to cover something besides football and volleyball.

To the couple that has been together for two years and don't sleep together: I applaud you both for respecting each other enough to contru yourself and wait. Thank you for being proof that not everyone is "doing it."

To the cute girl who used to ride my bus: I miss you. Where have you gone?

The saddest thing about fall break is that when it's over you are just counting down the days until Thanksgiving break, then Christmas break. I think we all need more breaks.

Umm... Greensboro is not the greatest city in North Carolina. One of many nicknames is Greensborring. I'm not saying Greenville is much better.

I am not attracted to inland guys. I'm from the beach, and I just can't stomach the popped-collars and preppiness that comes with the cockiness of inland boys.

Over the shoulder backpacks are not attractive for guys to wear!

To the sexy SAE that walks around campus everyday... you're the only reason I go to class.

Is it weird that I take my cat for walks?

I don't remember signing on for a fourth roommate. So your boyfriend needs to leave. I am tired of him sleeping, eating, showering and doing his laundry at my house. Seriously, it's time to go!

I think I have a stalker now.

To the person who wanted a dating rule book. Rule number one: There are no rules.

Marcus Tooker is hot! I love to watch him working outside his house on 10th Street. Thanks for having his picture on the front-page yesterday!

Why do people pop their collar? I'm curious. Where I grew up, I was never fortunate enough to see this fashion nightmare, so I just want to know. Does it make you cooler or more popular? Because wake up, we're in college now. Popularity status should not be an issue anymore.

I have heard about this Hyphy movement sweeping through Greenville and completely endorse it. So this weekend everybody should go "dumb," "ghost ride da whip," and tell the people that "40-Water" is back.

Whoever designed the dorms must not have thought that maybe the students would rearrange their furniture. I have rearranged our room about seven times already this semester, and we finally have it set. The only way for there to be decent floor space is to bunk the beds, I hate that!

To the guy at Todd Dining Hall - stop using your fingers to grab croutons! That's gross!

I had so much fun at Sun Up to Sun Down! Thanks KA!

My biology professor has a nice butt, if only the rest of him looked as good as his butt.

TEC should be the first to report university news and news involving students, but the local TV news stations has stories about ECU and their students' weeks before it ever appears in the TEC.

Roommate you are stupid. If you ask me to spell one more word for you, I might hit you.

If 10,000 people say a stupid thing, it's still a stupid thing.

I think there is nothing hotter than a girl dressed in your favorite teams sports apparel.

Chicago was amazing! If you didn't go see it, you really missed out.

If you're going to sit in the GMAT review course and mumble everything you write down... don't sit next to me!

I go to class every day and am doing worse than people who go once a week.

Wearing leggings with sweaters and skirts does not make you look fashionable it makes you look fat.

I just want to get married and have babies.

My brother has had more successful relationships than I have and he's 16.

To the know-it-alls that raise their hands all the time: 1) No, you're not always right. 2) You don't know more than the professor. 3) You really need to give other students a chance to learn. You're not the one with the PhD, the rest of the class just hates you and you're annoying-ness.

I wish my roommate would stop leaving her crap everywhere.

A guy I know is really sarcastic all the time. It's really annoying. So, if you're reading this, stop being so sarcastic all the time. It's actually kind of mean and makes me not want to hang out with you anymore.

I know a girl who is a big fan of "What Not to Wear." The funny thing is, I really want to nominate her for the show.

When there are 10 minutes left in class, why does everyone automatically decide that class is over and they should start packing up their books? The professor is still talking, yet you insist upon being the first out the door.

Does anyone else shake like a dog before getting out of the shower? I do, and I have to tell ya, you get dry quick.

I wish someone would study for me!

Due to an overwhelming amount of Pirate Rants in regards to this subject, here are two, which encompass the views of many others submitted.

I can't believe that ECU is taking away CLAS 1300 from a certain professor. The class is one of the most successful at ECU and is full with over 110 students every semester and summer session. Students obviously love this professor and since we pay professor's salaries, shouldn't we, as students, have a say in who's teaching a course? This professor was the one who started the Classics program and he's even the author of six books! Tell me why ECU would have anyone else teach this class?

Any professor who lies on the floor in the fetal position for two minutes to try to embarrass another student shouldn't be teaching at a respected university. It's enough that he uses choice four letter words every class he teaches (I've had three of them now, so I can say that), but he also crosses boundaries in the things he discusses. I think he's very educated and is a brilliant professor, but do I think he's right for ECU? Certainly not. I'm glad ECU has the sense to finally do something about it.

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Don't let the Man keep you down

Pirates gotta fight for their right to party

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When did ECU and Greenville become such a buzz kill? I'm just trying to go through college in a self-induced haze, and all of the sudden the powers that be have to break bad and rain on my parade.

Everywhere I go nowadays I'm being told what to do, where to do and how to do. Enough is a freakin' nough.

You want examples? Oh, I've got examples. Let's start with the City of Greenville. In August they, along with ECU officials, passed out brochures depicting "Good Pirate, Bad Pirate" scenarios acted out by skeletons. The brochures were fairly condescending and less than hilarious, and decreed such behavior as playing music loudly and "docking" your car on the grass.

Hey, City of Greenville, I live on Fifth Street, not Sesame Street.

Recently Greenville's public information officer Steve Hawley was quoted in a *Daily Reflector* story weighing in on the issue. "We want you to feel welcome. But, understand, there are some guidelines you need to live within," said Hawley.

That's super, but I think the people of Greenville need to understand that without ECU their town would be Kinston. No hospital, no cheap labor force, no economic stimulation, no Pirate football. When you consider all that, finding some kid passed out in your front yard every once in a while doesn't seem like such a high price to pay.

Moving along, two words: Parking situation. On campus, off campus, it doesn't matter. You can't park anywhere. Heck, I was eating tots at Sonic the other day and I almost got towed. It's a freakin' drive in. Alright, that didn't happen, but you get the point. Greenville's meter maids seem to get a perverse pleasure from scrawling out tickets and calling in tow trucks. If only everyone that works for the University and City of Greenville did their job with such tenacity and thoroughness...

Anyway, that's enough about parking. It's been a problem forever, and I'm just ticked off that I was towed from Third Street recently.

E-mail. Long the source of dirty jokes and, ahem, performance solutions, it has now become a sounding board for lectures and scoldings. After we beat Memphis, ECU Athletic Director, His Excellency Terry Holland, sent a rambling note about sportsmanship to the entire student body. Apparently, according to some Memphis fans, our behavior was "obnoxious and possibly dangerous", and that they had never "experienced such rude, drunken behavior" in 20 years of away games as they did at Dowdy-Ficklen.

Whatever, man. Sounds like they're just sore losers who caught a beat down. Too bad Terry didn't see it that way. After Holland's e-mail, my boy Skip Holtz sent a correspondence of his own encouraging everyone to "represent the university with class" at the next game. I was a little confused by that one though. I was under the impression ECU did not offer classes on the weekend.

What about campus? Surely there's a nice quiet spot to throw a frisbee or gawk at the ladies. Well there was, until a preacher showed up last week calling all the girls "whores" and the guys "perverts" (although if the shoe fits...). One dude took exception to the perv comment and probably had the best line of the day when he said, "Hey I'm a TKE. I'm not a perv!"

So what? A lot of people here at ECU get wasted and get it on. Pete and Polly Promiscuous are already eaten up with crabs. They don't want to hear about their "transgressions" on the way to bio lab.

Things aren't any rosier for Greeks. With Ion Outterbridge at the helm, the fun quotient in Greek Life has been in steady decline. One wonders why Mr. Killjoy, uh, Outterbridge is even in the position of Director of Greek Life as he continually makes decisions that adversely affect Greek organizations. Perhaps he's taken Dean Wormer's words from Animal House to heart. "No more fun of any kind!"

Finally, let's not forget the menacing keg laws looming on the horizon. Under the new rules anyone buying a keg has to obtain a permit from the vendor, which allows authorities to track the beer. Also, anyone under 21 with alcohol in their system could face misdemeanor charges. Currently the law only prohibits purchasing or possession of alcohol by minors.

Here's a bit of perspective on these new laws. In North Carolina, any citizen over 18 with no criminal history can purchase a shotgun or long rifle without any paperwork or a permit. That's right, starting in December (just in time for the Holidays) it will be easier to buy a gun than to buy a keg. What?

Actually, come to think of it, since it's so easy to buy firearms now, I might pick one up... so I can shoot myself in the face.

On our Web site we now have an Opinions blog. There we will share our evolving thoughts on a variety of issues, and answer your questions. Check this site this weekend for our first entry.

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Horoscopes:

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You can't do everything simultaneously, no matter how good you are. Some of it, maybe, but not all of it. Set priorities and stick to them. First, delegate.

Taurus
It's no sin to be wealthy, if you don't let it go to your head. Frugality is a virtue, and so is intelligent shopping. Practice both now.

Gemini
Tell the truth about what you want to accomplish while you're here. You'll become best at the subject you really want to practice.

Cancer
You can be obsessive about details when you want to be. That's suggested now, because it looks like something's not right.

Leo
Schedule significant private time for early next week. Meanwhile, make sure your team knows exactly what to do.

Virgo
There's a down-side to being in demand. Business cuts into your private life, but don't despair. There's less of this once you have the routines all worked out.

Libra
You try to understand everyone. It's good to make the effort, but don't be too hard on yourself if it isn't possible.

Scorpio
Go into stores intending to only get the best deals. You may be able to get out before you go over your limit.

Sagittarius
Toss the ball to your teammates. One of them will be able to score. It doesn't matter who closes the deal, as long as it gets closed.

Capricorn
Your routine needs modification to carry a heavier load. Ask for help, but still try to anticipate anything that can go wrong.

Aquarius
It seems like everybody wants a little bit of your time. Be nice to your fans and followers, but don't let yourself get distracted.

Pisces
You'd like to help your friends get along, and maybe you actually can. If you wait until they request your advice, they're more likely to listen.

Local Concerts:

Sonia and Disappear Fear will be performing Uptown for Freeboat Friday on Friday, Oct. 13 from 5 - 8 p.m.

Brad Benson and Katharsis will be performing at Dr. Unk's on Friday, Oct. 13.

The Red Rooster will play host to Guta on Friday, Oct. 13.

Dr. Unk will offer live music from Trainwreck on Saturday, Oct. 14.

On Saturday, Oct. 14, Toby Keith will be performing at the Alltel Pavilion in Raleigh at 7:30 p.m.

Aerosmith along with Motley Crue will perform at the Alltel Pavilion in Raleigh on Monday, Oct. 23 at 7:30 p.m.

The Crown Center of Cumberland County will host The Charlie Daniels Band on Monday, Oct. 23 at 8 p.m.

Top 10s:

- Top 10 Movies:**
1. *The Departed*
 2. *The Texas Chainsaw Massacre: The Beginning*
 3. *Open Season*
 4. *Employee of the Month*
 5. *The Guardian*
 6. *Jackass: Number Two*
 7. *School for Scoundrels*
 8. *Jet Li's Fearless*
 9. *Gridiron Gang*
 10. *The Illusionist*

- Top 10 Songs:**
1. "Too Little, Too Late" - JoJo
 2. "Lips of an Angel" - Hinder
 3. "Chain Hang Low" - Jibbs
 4. "Smack That" - Akon
 5. "Sexy Back" - Justin Timberlake
 6. "London Bridge" - Fergie
 7. "Say Goodbye" - Chris Brown
 8. "Ring the Alarm" - Beyonce
 9. "Call me when you're sober" - Evanescence
 10. "S.E.X." - Lyle Jennings

'Departing' from typical movie mold



Jack Nicholson and Matt Damon star in the new release *The Departed*.

Scorsese scores again with another excellent thriller

BEN HARRIS
STAFF WRITER

One thing every moviegoer looks forward to is a new release by his or her favorite director. Some people wait years to see a new release by Quentin Tarantino or just wait a few months to see the new release by Spielberg. I usually

live my cinematic life waiting very patiently any new release by Tim Burton or the subject of this review, Martin Scorsese.

Scorsese is without a doubt one of the top three best filmmakers in history and my personal favorite. Despite being robbed constantly by the Academy Awards, Scorsese has time and time again proven himself by directing such monumental classics such as *Taxi Driver*, *Raging Bull* and *Goodfellas*. If you haven't seen *Goodfellas* get up right now

and go by the nearest rental store and get it. Skip class if you have to! It is just that good.

Anyway, I didn't hear much about Scorsese since his last great movie *The Aviator*, so I was about to burst with overwhelming anticipation over what great movie he was working on next. What he graciously gave me and the entire movie-going world was *The Departed*.

The Departed is set in Boston and focuses on Billy Costigan and Colin Sullivan and Frank Costello. Billy Costigan is a badass cop forced to go undercover in order to nab organized crime boss Frank Costello. Costello is a very charismatic but sadistically evil man who makes friends only to sell them out. Colin Sullivan is Costello's mole within the Boston police department. Sullivan comes off as one of the most depicable and evil characters to hit the screen in a long time. I can't think of any antagonist in any movie I've ever seen that deserved what was coming to him as Colin Sullivan did.

The movies premise is fairly simple. Costigan spends his time trying to nab both Costello and Sullivan while Costello and Sullivan spend their time trying to figure out who the mole (Costi-

gan) is in their outfit. The movie offers many twists, especially in the last act. One great thing about Scorsese movies is that you can never go into one of his movies thinking you know what will happen. Despite having similar visual styles, his movies never have anywhere near similar story lines. Unlike throwaway directors such as Michael Mann, whose movies are almost always identical because they consist of nothing more than good guy, bad guy shootouts where the good guy wins, Scorsese makes sure his material stays fresh and unique.

The only major complaint I have with the movie is that it is fairly slow. With a run time of an hour and a half, Scorsese makes sure every aspect of the story is told but at the same time he sacrifices the viewer's attention spans because this movie isn't filled with non stop action like his earlier films. However, as any fan of Scorsese will tell you, Scorsese movies are almost always long. Like I mentioned earlier, he is a director who makes sure every part of the story is told.

One thing I love about Scorsese movies is his ability to secure only the best actors for his pictures. Most of the actors in his movies are his regulars and this is a formula that works. If the

cast isn't broken, don't fix it. Nearly every part in the movie is filled with well known and well respected actors. Frank Costello is played by Jack Nicholson who handles the truth "you can't handle the truth" Nicholson. Nicholson is one of the greatest actors in film history. His performance in *One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest* is constantly ranked as one of the top ten performances of all time. Nicholson certainly doesn't disappoint in *The Departed* and he does an outstanding job coming off as a sadistic gangster.

Leonardo "I'm the king of the world" DiCaprio plays Billy Costigan. DiCaprio has surprisingly proved himself to be an excellent actor. He has come a long way from his Titanic days as showcased brilliantly in another Scorsese picture, *The Aviator*. It is only a matter of time before DiCaprio scores an Academy Award and it is going to be very interesting to see where he takes his career from here. Another established actor, Matt Damon plays the part of the despicable Sgt. Colin Sullivan. Damon proved himself to be a good actor in *Good Will Hunting* and lives up to Scorsese standards very well. It boggles the mind to think of why he ever partners

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The Killer's 'Sam's Town' won't disappoint

It's not hip-hop, it's electro

LIZ FULTON
SENIOR WRITER

I have been waiting a long time for The Killers follow up to *Hot Fuss*. Unlike the many slaves to pop radio or those who rely on "TRL" for their new favorite band, I discovered The Killers long before they had captured the hearts of America. *Hot Fuss* was the type of debut album that is too few and far between - a release where every song blends into the next and tells a jumbled story that stays with you long after it lays to rest in its rise amongst the ruins of a dirty car floor.

Sophomore albums have a nasty habit of falling short of expectations or trying to recreate the magic of their predecessor thus stifling the creativity of the artist and sending them down the dark road of failure.

So, as I tore into my copy of *Sam's Town*, I was terrified The Killers were not going to top *Hot Fuss* and that I would feel the same let down after purchasing *Incubus' A Crow Left of the Murder*. I had already recorded their "Saturday Night Live appearance" and was impressed with their performances of "When You Were Young" and "Bones." The moment that I put *Sam's Town* into my CD player, I mentally kicked myself forever thinking that this album was going to disappoint.

Sam's Town is similar to *Hot Fuss* as there is a recurring theme throughout the album. Equipped with an "interlude" welcoming the listener and "Hoping

they enjoy their stay... even if it's just for the day" the album resonates with the down-hearted resolve and, at the same time, the beauty of living in a small town where there is no way out. In the title track, "Brandon Flowers" laments that "Nobody ever had a dream 'round here, but I don't really mind," a sentiment that is all too true of the twenty-something's who were never able to escape their hometown.

Track seven, "Uncle Johnny" an ode about cocaine is interesting to listen to for its Tom Petty influences. Without the synthesizers, it almost sounds like a lost verse from "Into the Great Wide Open."

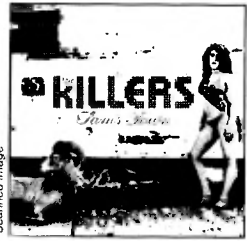
The upbeat song, "Bones" is by far the most radio friendly next to Sam's Town. Accompanied by a brass line and the unapologetically inviting lines, "Don't you wanna feel my skin, on your skin? It's only natural," more than a few girls will be swooning over the whole package that is "Brandon Flowers."

Sam's Town is an album that attempts to capture the small-town, every-man dreams of America. The lyrics are reminiscent of what Bruce Springsteen spread to the world about simple struggles we all go through.

As you listen to it again and again, there comes the realization that The Killers have taken us on a journey through the lives of luckless heroes that inhabit us all.

Thank you Killers, for making an album with meaning.

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Children enjoy the games on the midway at last years North Carolina State Fair, which will begin tomorrow.

N.C. State Fair opens Friday

What you need to know before you go

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Fun rides, interesting exhibits, games, entertainment and a whole lot of good food: what more could anyone ask for? It's hard to believe October is already here, and with it comes The State Fair. The North Carolina State Fair will be in operation from Friday, October 13 through Saturday, Oct. 22. The fairground gates will open daily at 8 a.m. and close at midnight. If you plan to attend the big event, there are several things you may want to know beforehand.

First, admission tickets may be purchased online for a discounted price or at the door for regular price. For adults age 13+, tickets are \$5 online and \$6 at the door. Military families will be admitted free on Military Appreciation Day, Wednesday, Oct. 18 with a current military ID.

For those civilians short on cash, Thursday, Oct. 19 is the day to go. On this day, Food Lion's Hunger Relief Day will be held to benefit the Food Bank of Central and Eastern North Carolina. By

donating four cans of Food Lion brand food, fairgoers can get free admission into the fair. Each year, this day acts as one of the largest one-day canned food drives in the state.

For those of you interested in riding rides, I have both good and bad news. Unfortunately, the N.C. State Fair does not offer unlimited ride bracelets. However, if you purchase your tickets in advance, you may get ride books at a discounted price. The books may be the best deal considering the amount of tickets needed per ride. The kiddie rides are typically two to three tickets, the bigger rides vary from three to five and the "spectacular" rides are up to six tickets each. Although ride tickets do not have to be purchased in advance, you may find this to be the most convenient option. The rides' hours of operation are 10 a.m. to midnight.

As many of you know, The State Fair also hosts a variety of live concerts. This year, audiences can enjoy an assortment of artists ranging from Nashville stars to contemporary Christian bands. Concert tickets will be available in advance only through The State Fair's Web site. Once the fair has begun, concert tickets will con-

tinue to be sold online as well as at the Dorton Arena Box Office as long as tickets are available. The prices of the concerts vary and range from \$5 -15 each. If you plan to attend any of the concerts, it is important to remember fair admission is also required. If all of this talk of rides and concerts hasn't gotten your attention, perhaps some of the other events will spark some interest.

A tractor pull will take place Friday, Oct. 13 through Sunday, Oct. 15. The competition will require a separate admission fee of \$7. You may purchase tickets for this event online in advance or at the Grandstand ticket booths. On Friday, Oct. 20 and Saturday, Oct. 21, demolition derby competitions will take place. The championship match will then ensue on Sunday, Oct. 22. Again, separate admission is required for a fee of \$7. Ticket sales for this event are the same as that of the tractor pull.

A Keith King Bike Stunt Show will take place daily at no extra cost for viewers. Show times may vary and should be checked in advance. If nothing above has made you the least bit interested, it is important to remember that the fair also

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Nationally known artist to teach workshop at City Art Gallery

Learn techniques from one of the best

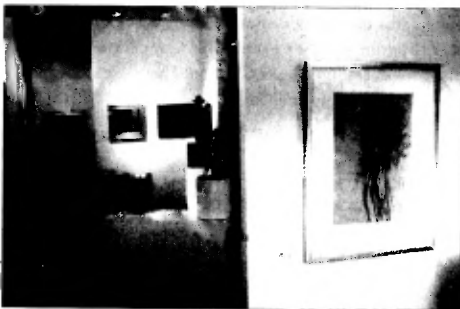
STACY DAIL
STAFF WRITER

David Harlan, a nationally acclaimed artist known for his impressionistic landscapes, will be holding a workshop hosted by City Art Gallery on Oct. 17, 18 and 19.

Harlan graduated from Wichita State University and is known nationwide for his works filled with rich color and texture, as well as his unique way of perceiving mood and emotion. The cost of this very valuable workshop is \$325, which includes three full days of working with Harlan, learning techniques involving landscape and figurative painting. Those signed up will paint at City Art Gallery, as well as at the studio of Dr. Tony Brewer, a neurologist who received his MFA in painting two years ago from ECU.

Participants, mostly regional artists with "varying levels of expertise," will be painting different landscapes, including a café scene where a model will be present. Holding workshops is a new thing to City Art Gallery, but their excitement can't be hidden.

"David Harlan is one of our best selling artist



City Art Gallery is a phenomenal learning environment for Harlan's workshop.

and we've worked with him ever since the gallery opened in Greenville nine years ago. We thought it would be something nice and different to offer the community," said Peg Hardee, owner of City Art Gallery.

Although the workshop has reached its maximum amount of participants, ECU students who are interested are encouraged to call the

gallery for more information. If enough interest is generated, it may be possible to add another day to the workshop for other students to experience the teachings of Harlan.

There are no more workshops officially scheduled right now, but there are a few ideas in the works. In the mean time, students are encouraged to come in and look around the gallery.

Hardee, as well as other associates working at the gallery, would love to show students, especially art majors, the business side of getting their work out there.

"We would love to talk to students about their work, how to build a resume, and how to present their work and portfolio," Hardee commented.

For those who are not participating in the David Harlan workshop, don't worry you won't be left out. David Harlan will be featured in an exhibit at City Art Gallery at 511 Red Banks Road, which will open on Thursday at 6 p.m., in which all ECU students are encouraged to come and see the work of a well-known talented artist.

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with Ben Affleck to write and star in movies. In terms of acting and overall intelligence that's like pairing a Corvette with a Pinto.

The film also has several other well-known actors such as Alec Baldwin and Mark Wahlberg. The best thing about the movie is that every actor plays their part extremely well and that every part is original.

The Departed is without a doubt one of the best movies of the year. It is sure to be a powerhouse when it comes time for the Oscars. It is my hope that the movie will

finally get Scorsese the best director and best picture Oscars, but I'm afraid that the film's ultra-violent third act will scare the voters away. The huge amount of buzz surrounding the movie will hopefully provide for a strong opening weekend and maybe even break the cataclysmic box office slump that has been occurring for the past few weeks.

Overall Grade: A

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offers exhibit halls that will be open 9 a.m. - 9:45 p.m. On the same note, it is essential that you also remember how awesome fair food can be. One can never have enough cotton candy and nachos.

As you all anxiously wait for tomorrow, remember to save your sense of adventure and appetite for the fairgrounds. I can think of no better time to load up on fried dough, fried Oreos, fried Twinkies and turkey legs.

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Carbon Leaf's newest release

Album is sure to please

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Because Carbon Leaf is my first album review in my personal quest to find some descent music to enjoy, I think it went relatively well. This album was released on Sept. 12th and has been well received by many album critics all over the country.

I must agree with many of these critics and suggest that everyone gives this group's many albums a bit of play. I really enjoy their melodic approach to song delivery coupled with great lyrics delivered by pleasant singing.

I must admit that this isn't the music I typically listen to, but I do find that I really like the well thought out songs this band has put together. Their songs can be easily compared to things you could potentially hear on college radios across the nation.

I could honestly hear some

modern influence in their singing, which I would say, resembles the band Switchfoot with a pinch of country delivery. While this album is very slow and bass driven, it is a great listen and relaxing album.

Just like in country music, there are quite a few bittersweet songs, which are reflecting upon life tribulations of loss and love. So from that point of view, the title for the album is the perfect label for an album such as this.

While most of these songs are very scaled down musically, they make up for in instrument implementation and experimentation. The poetic writing in this is very deep but at the same time understandable and easily accessible to anyone who listens.

One point I will make about the singing is that while sounding a bit too simplified itself, it is perfect that it sounds almost hypnotically entranced in emotional detachment. It is this departure of not trying to sing every note as if

it was your last is well reflected in the songs having such extraordinary feeling and passion.

The song I believe to highlight the album is "The War was in Color." A haunting story of a man who died in war so that others could live in a world without suffering gives the song a bittersweet meaning and connotation.

I will not say that these guys are breaking the mold, instead they are trying to play to a different type notion, being lyrically available while not compromising to standard arrangements or sound.

This band has made a new fan in me, one who will be looking forward to listening to their music for some time to come. I hope everyone who hasn't listened to these guys, listens to them for a few minutes and hears what I hear, relaxing music.

Grade 'A' for the infectious music and the unorthodox delivery.

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Conference championships in football that Tulsa has recorded in 106 years of competition including last year's Conference USA title, the Golden Hurricane has tallied an overall record 538-424-27 (.544)

5

Conference championships in football that ECU has won in its 73 years of competition; the Pirates won a North State Conference title in 1953 and Southern Conference titles in 1966, 1973-1974 and 1977

2,795

Number of undergraduate students at Tulsa, which is the smallest among the 119 NCAA Division I-A institutions, the next closest is fellow C-USA member Rice who has 3,112 undergraduate students

1982

The last year that Tulsa recorded a 4-1 start when former Tulsa and Ohio State coach John Copper was at the helm; after losing the second game, Cooper's team reeled off nine wins

259

Receiving yards recorded by Tulsa's Chris Penn in a cold rain storm on Nov. 6, 1993, which Tulsa won in Dowdy-Ficklen 52-26, Gus Frerotte threw 16 passes to Penn for a 16.2 yards per catch average, which is a record for an ECU opponent in receptions and receiving yards

7TH

Preseason Conference USA ranking in women's basketball according to the votes of all 12 head coaches; the Lady Pirates were picked 10th in 2005, but finished with its best record in 14 years (17-12) and won its first ever C-USA Tournament game

4-0

Women's soccer all-time record against Southern Miss, which the Pirates play Sunday, Oct. 15; the last game was a Pirate 2-1 overtime win on Oct. 16, 2005

They said it

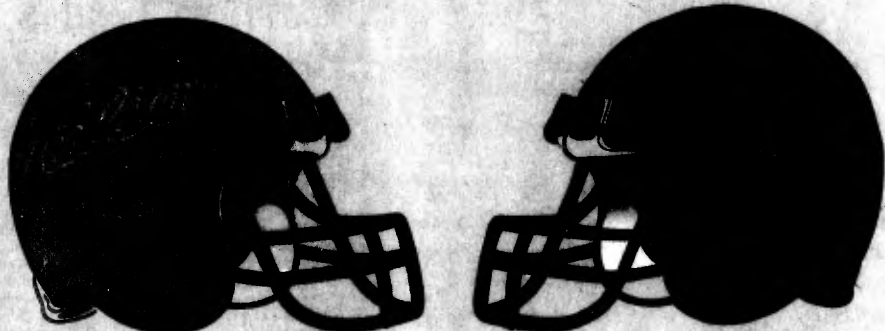
"We're in the game halfway through the third quarter and things just started going south. We want to get some redemption. They're conference champions. They blew us out last year. It would be a sweet to get a win and come out on top."
-Steven Rogers, ECU wide receiver

"The [Virginia] game shows we're on the rise and that we can prove that we're capable of that and so much more. We have so much potential and we're starting to put it together now. We expect big things. This is the start, hopefully, of what's to come."
-Jay Sonnhalter, ECU tight end

"They have what we want. They've got the how trophies, the rings and the watches. We let our kids know that. They saw [last year] why they have them. They whacked us pretty good. It is a statement game. It's a barometer for where we really are as a program. We've shown some improvement, we've played well at times, but we've played bad at times... it will be a challenge. We'll have to have our head in the game."
-Greg Hudson, ECU defensive coordinator

FOOTBALL PREVIEW

TULSA VS. ECU



TULSA SCHEDULE

AUG. 31	VS. STEPHEN F. AUSTIN	W, 45-7
SEPT. 16	VS. NORTH TEXAS	W, 28-3
OCT. 2	VS. SOUTHERN MISS.	W, 20-6
OCT. 21	VS. MEMPHIS	8:00 PM
NOV. 4	AT HOUSTON	3:30 PM

Pirates looking to make a statement against Tulsa

ECU returns to conference play by hosting defending champs

RON CLEMENTS
SENIOR WRITER

When Steve Kragthorpe was named the head football coach at Tulsa in December, 2002, he inherited a football program that had just two wins in the previous two years combined. Three years later, Kragthorpe led the Golden Hurricane to a Conference USA championship and a victory in the Liberty Bowl.

Saturday, Kragthorpe will bring his 4-1 Tulsa team to Greenville to take on an improving ECU team bent on turning its program around.

"They are where we aspire to be," said ECU head coach Skip Holtz. "They're 4-1, they're leading the conference. They've got a great offense, they've got a great defense, they've got a great kicking game. That's where we want to be."

Tulsa, which beat Southern Miss, 20-6, on Oct. 3, brings an explosive veteran offense led by senior quarterback Paul Smith. The Golden Hurricane have four seniors on their offensive line, which the third most experienced line in the nation.

Smith has been sacked just three times this season, which has allowed the senior from Owasso, Okla., to complete 66 percent of his passes for 1,163 yards and nine touch-

downs to only three interceptions. "I think lack of sacks from an offensive standpoint are indicative of what you're doing offensively with running the ball," said Kragthorpe at his weekly press conference, "staying out of long down and distance situations, first down production, quarterback getting the ball out of his hands, running backs protecting well, wide receivers getting open and obviously the offensive line protecting. I think it's a function of everybody, not just the offensive line."

The Pirates (2-3, 1-1 C-USA) aren't a sack-happy defense, but are getting better. ECU got to Virginia quarterback Jameel Sewell three times and has recorded at least one sack in its last three games.

"East Carolina I think is a front that can rush the passer," Kragthorpe said. "They're not a big pressure team as far as bringing six or seven guys. They are more of a four man rush, pop a backer here or there, but they've shown the ability to pressure the passer against a team like Virginia who again I think is pretty good without having to do that."

Protecting James Pinkney is something the reshuffled ECU offensive line must do against a senior-laden Tulsa defense that is ranked 25th nationally. The Golden Hurricane (4-1, 1-0 C-USA) lead C-USA in total defense and pass defense, allowing a meager 268 total yards and 115 through the air.

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ECU SCHEDULE

SEPT. 2	AT NAVY	L, 28-23
SEPT. 16	VS. MEMPHIS	W, 35-20
SEPT. 24	VS. WEST VIRGINIA	L, 27-10
OCT. 7	VS. VIRGINIA	W, 30-21
OCT. 14	VS. TULSA	3:00 PM
OCT. 21	VS. SMU	3:00 PM
NOV. 4	AT UCF	4:00 PM
NOV. 11	AT BALL STATE	1:00 PM
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NOV. 25	AT STATE	1:00 PM

KEYS TO THE GAME

ECU

1. Run the ball:

The Pirates need to build on what they did last week with the ground attack. Tulsa's defense is good, but its secondary is excellent. Establishing the run could soften up that defensive backfield for some big plays down the field.

2. Score early:

ECU jumped on Virginia early, getting the crowd into the game, and never looking back as the Pirates kept the momentum nearly the entire game. To beat the Golden Hurricane, the Pirates will have to jump on them early and not let up.

3. No Turnovers:

For the first time this season, ECU did not turn the ball over and had its most dominant showing. Turnovers at the most inopportune times have prevented ECU from possibly being unbeaten at this point. Going against the top defense in the conference, the Pirates cannot squander their opportunities.

KEYS TO THE GAME

TULSA

1. Steal Momentum:

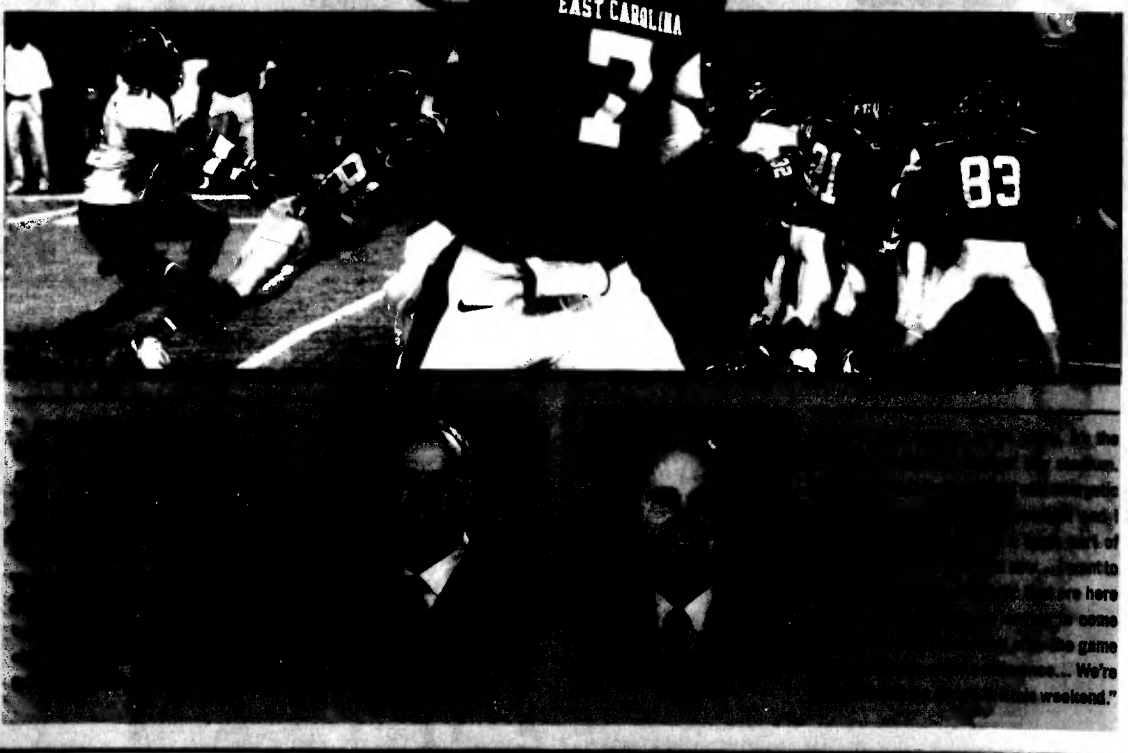
The Pirates have fed off the momentum of their home crowd in their first three home games, going 2-1 in those contests. If Tulsa wants to diminish the home-field advantage for the Pirates, the Golden Hurricane need to make game-changing plays.

2. If it ain't broke, don't fix it:

The Tulsa is in the top three of nearly every statistical category in Conference USA, offensively and defensively. What Tulsa has been doing has built a 4-1 record and Skip Holtz said he is not expecting the Golden Hurricane to alter their game plan.

3. Attack the offense:

With a veteran defense that starts five seniors and three juniors, Tulsa should take advantage of a young, reshuffled ECU offensive line with two freshmen starting at left guard and right tackle, and just one senior.



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Intramural flag football holds championships

Da Squad wins Men's Gold title

JARED JACKSON
STAFF WRITER

The ECU intramural department held their annual flag football championships Wednesday at the Blount Complex. The season started with 105 teams, and through a four game regular season and post-season playoffs, was narrowed down to six champions.

Paan and Torture kept it close in the Co-Ree championship. A hail mary with no time remaining before halftime proved to be the difference as Ridonkulous won 12-7.

After the game, captain of Ridonkulous, Susan Doggett admitted to being nervous.

"It was a good game," said Doggett. "We were a little worried at first but our offense stepped up in the second half. It was fun to win."

In the Sovereignty championship, Megan Brown led Alpha Delta Pi. She intercepted two passes and ran back a touchdown in Alpha Delta Pi's beat Alpha Phi 12-0.

Sports Medicine dominated Grandma's boys 20-0 in the Men's Purple league championship game using a passing attack and great defense.



Chi Phi's Mike Bergman dives for a touchdown against Sig Ep. Sports Medicine captain, Bruce Henry stressed defense after the game.

"We played pretty good," said Henry. "Our defense has been pretty good the whole season. They were a good team but I felt our defense came through in the end. Defense wins games."

Chi Phi won the Fraternity Purple championship beating Kappa Sigma 12-7. Down 7-0, Chi Phi failed on the extra point attempt, but closed the gap to 7-6. Robert Allen provided the go ahead score middle way through the second half for Chi Phi, by taking an interception back for a touchdown. The final score was 12-7.

Kappa Sigma drove down to the 1-yard line with six seconds remaining. A roughing the passer was called and an un-timed down was awarded to Kappa Sigma. Da Squad downed Harry Caray 33-6 in the Men's Gold league. Chi Phi took the Fraternity Gold title beating Sigma Phi Epsilon 14-12. To be eligible for the playoffs, teams had to win one regular season game. They were six leagues for teams to compete in. "We had a great season," said Intramural staffer Joanna Ezzell. "We had fewer ejections and good weather. The games were real competitive. We had a new playoff system that split the teams up in the playoffs according to how they did in the regular season. This made the games more competitive."

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Campus Dining

TULSA continued from A6

The Pirates moved left guard inside to center and started true freshman Cory Dowless at left guard against a Cavalier defense that was ranked 20th in the country. The Pirates ran roughshod through the UVa front for 208 rushing yards and 432 yards of total offense.

"We got guys at new positions, guys that never played, and we figure that once we get used to different things, we can really get it rolling," said redshirt freshman right tackle Terence Campbell. "I don't think nobody can really stop us once we get that running game going."

Junior Chris Johnson did not play against Virginia due to a turf toe injury, paving the way for senior Brandon Fractious to run for 102 yards, but is expected to play against Tulsa. Johnson, Fractious and sophomore Brandon Simmons are all expected to see significant playing time, with Holtz yet to decide on a starter.

Establishing the run like they did against Virginia should free up some passing lanes for Pinkney, who could be without top wide-out Aundrea Allison for a second straight week.

Stepping up against the Cavs for ECU was senior Bobby Good. Good caught five balls for 102 yards, including a 44-yarder to set up a Pinkney touchdown run.

"I couldn't be more pleased with the way Bobby Good has been playing," Holtz said. "He's really elevated his game from a year ago when he was constantly hampered with that hamstring injury."

Holtz said Good petitioned the coach to let him do more things for the team, so Holtz put him on special teams to return punts against Virginia. His return yardage was nearly non-existent, but Holtz said the fact that he caught the ball instead of letting it roll, which the Pirates had been doing, has been invaluable.

"He did really well," Holtz said. "That was a big difference in the game was the way he caught punts from a field position standpoint."

Pinkney has seen his numbers and his completion percentage decline over the last few weeks, but "managed the game well" against Virginia as the Pirates did not commit any turnovers for the first time this season.

"James Pinkney played exceptionally well," Holtz said of his senior quarterback, who has completed passes to 14 different receivers this year. "It was probably a breath of fresh air for James to be able to take a little bit of pressure of the quarterback position and let him just manage the game. I thought he played very well in those circumstances of just managing the game, running the ball, and using the play action pass."

Tulsa's strength is its secondary. TU boasts two defensive backs, seniors Bobby Blackshire and Nick Graham, on the Thorpe Award watch list. The Golden Hurricane have picked off five

passes while allowing a 49-percent completion rate.

The heart of the Tulsa defense is linebacker Nick Bunting. The 6-1, 230-pound senior is ninth in school history with 285 tackles and leads the team this year in sacks and tackles for a loss. He is a top candidate for the Butkus Award, Bronco Nagurski Trophy and the Chuck Bednarik Award.

While the Tulsa defense is very good, so is its offense. TU is averaging 28 points per game and has turned the ball over just five times. Like ECU, Tulsa has an experienced senior quarterback and a talented trio of running backs, led by Oklahoma transfer Courtney Tennial.

The 5-foot-9, 214-pound Tennial is averaging six yards per carry with senior Brandon Diles carrying the ball at a five-yard-per-carry clip. Senior Tarrion Adams has missed Tulsa's last two games — both wins over Navy and Southern Miss — but could play against the Pirates.

"They are very physical running backs," Holtz said. "They run extremely hard. [Tennial] has really impressed me with averaging six yards a carry. He is a heck of a player. They are playing three right now that are very similar. They all have anywhere from six to ten catches."

Getting back into conference action at home adds an extra incentive for the Pirates, especially considering that Tulsa hammered ECU 45-13 a year ago in its way to winning C-USA. Holtz said he has mentioned last year's game to remind the players what happened, but not really as a motivational tool.

"We've talked about it, but just as a reminder so they understand what we're going up against," Holtz said. "It was a great win for us last week, but that one's over. I haven't used it as, 'Oh they beat you,' because I'm not trying to get our team down with it, but we have talked about it because I want them to relive the way Tulsa lined up and hit us in the mouth."

With the student body going on fall break, the athletic department has added promotional events and ticket giveaways for Saturday's game, which will begin at 3 p.m. Saying that the last three home games had an "electric atmosphere," Holtz realizes the magnitude of a packed Dowdy-Ficklen Stadium.

"The atmosphere at home games has been unbelievable," Holtz said. "I think you could do a story itself on just the atmosphere. The student section has been awesome. It is the pulse, the lifeline and the heartbeat of any stadium. It creates that wild energetic, enthusiastic feeling in the stadium that our football team feeds off of. The whole advantage of playing at home is having those awesome crowds."

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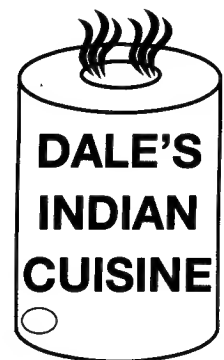
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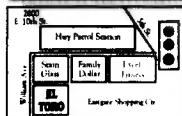
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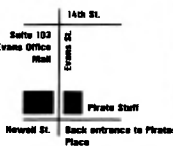


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EAST CAROLINA MEN'S BASKETBALL

WALK-ON TRYOUTS

Date: Thursday, October 19th
 Time: 7-9 pm
 Place: Williams Arena in Minges Coliseum

Registration will begin at 6:00 pm in Minges.

Participants must be full-time ECU students.



This week...



Clerks II



Wed 10/18 9:30PM
 Thurs 10/19 7:00PM
 Fri 10/20 9:30 PM
 Sat 10/21 7:00 PM & 12AM
 10/22 9:30PM

Fight Club



Fri 10/20 12AM
FREE BAR OF SOAP!
 Sat 10/21 12AM

Superman Returns



Wed 10/18 7:00 PM
 Thurs 10/19 9:30PM
 Fri 10/20 7:00 PM & 12AM
 Sat 10/21 9:30 PM
 Sun 10/22 7:00PM

Thurs Oct. 12



Swash Improv
 Pirate Underground 9PM

October 6-27



Down East Gallery: Sculpture Exhibition
 Mendenhall & Emerge Gallery

Remember!

Sign up for the New York City Trip at the Central Ticket Office, MSC.

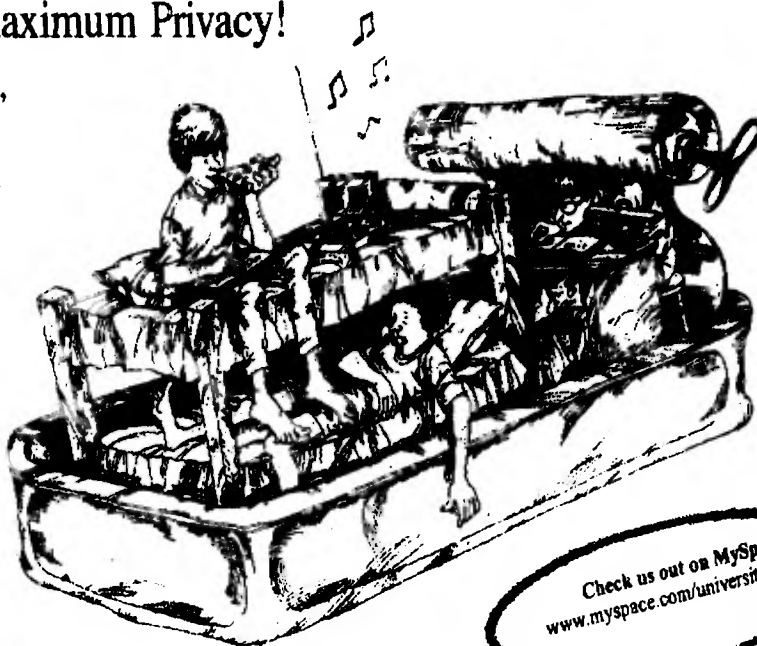
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