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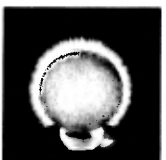
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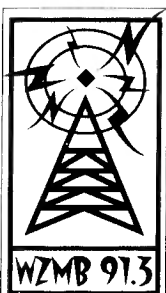
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Protesters gather on Founder and Fifth Streets to demand the return of ancestors' remains from the Anthropology department that they plan to bury.

Tuscarora descendants protest, demand ancestors' remains

Southern Band demand return of skeletons

ZACK HILL
STAFF WRITER

About a half dozen protesters from the Southern Band Tuscarora Tribe gathered on the corner of Founder and Fifth Street on Tuesday and Wednesday to object to ECU's possession of the remains of some members of the Tuscarora tribe that were excavated in Bertie County.

The remains, totaling about 60 incomplete skeletons, are currently in the possession of the ECU's Phelps Archaeology lab, under the direction of Charles Ewen, professor of anthropology.

The protesters carried signs labeling Ewen, along with Chief Leo Henry of the New York Tuscarora tribe and Robert Palmer of the National Parks Department, of being a "band of liars."

Marilyn Mejorado, councilwoman of the Southern Band Tuscarora tribe, said that the remains should be returned to the

Southern Band Tuscarora Tribe so that they may be properly buried. She said Henry and the New York Tuscarora have no right to determine how they are handled.

"He says you have to go through me to bury your ancestors," Mejorado said. "We are direct descendants, not Leo."

ECU currently has the remains as under the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act, which was passed in 1990.

Ewen said that much of the problem stems from the historical background of the Tuscarora. At the conclusion of the Tuscarora War in 1715, most of the tribe moved from North Carolina to a reservation in New York. Those who remained in North Carolina, including the Southern Band, are not federally recognized as a tribe and are considered to have officially broken with the tribe by the federally recognized New York Tuscarora.

The New York Tuscarora have been given control of all Tuscarora remains, and it is with the New York tribe that federal law mandates Ewen must deal.

The New York tribe has visited the ECU Archaeology lab on several occasions, condoning the university's possession of the remains and bringing along a shaman to bless them with a tobacco offering that remains in the lab today. They hope to have the remains interred somewhere on federal land in New York so that they will not be disturbed again, Ewen said.

Mejorado believes they should be returned to a five acre plot of land in Bertie County owned by the Southern Band.

"We would not bury our people in someone else's yard. We want to bury them at home," Mejorado said.

Ewen said that though the New York tribe has been out of North Carolina for nearly three hundred years, it does not make their connection to the remains any less than that of the Southern Band because the remains are the ancestors of both.

"You have to be a federally recognized tribe or have direct lineal descent to have this kind of control. The Southern Band has neither. These skeletons are a thousand years old with no names.

There is no historical lineal way to trace them," Ewen said.

The U.S. Department of the Interior sent a letter to ECU in response to a previous grievance from the Southern Band stating that the university does not have to deal or consult with Mejorado.

"Clearly they have some Native American background, but how much is yet to be determined," Ewen said.

Three ECU police officers visited the protesters on Wednesday, ensuring that they were in the right place and not blocking the sidewalk. No citations were issued.

"They weren't breaking the law," said Major Frank Knight, division commander for the ECU Police.

Ewen said that he understood the protesters' position, but had to follow federal guidelines.

"I'm sympathetic, but my hands are tied here," Ewen said.

Mejorado said that she would return on Thursday with more protesters, and would continue the protests through the winter.

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E-mail, phone scams target students

Suspicious e-mails or phone calls may cost more than just time

An ECU student recently received an e-mail from a self proclaimed "artist" from London. The artist (con-artist) stated that he could not cash money orders from the United States that customers used to purchase his works of art. He convinced the student to deposit three money orders in their checking account. The student then mailed off a check to the artist in England. After several weeks, the bank discovered that the money orders were bogus. By that time the student's check had cleared the bank. The bank notified the student, who then had to make arrangements to pay back the \$5,000. The bank took mercy upon the student and did not require payment of the "bounced check" fee.

"This student was just one of the five cases that gets reported each year concerning the matter of identity theft or money fraudulence," said Major Frank Knight of the ECU police department.

"There are different forms in which students will encounter these scams; there are types of e-mails that we call 'fishing e-mails,' where a fake company will send out questionnaires, employment forms or fake account inquiries on accounts, in which to receive information and most likely commit identity theft," said Major Knight.

Many students have received the various e-mails through their ECU Pirate Mail accounts, and students must be aware that not all e-mails are reliable.

"If in doubt check it out," said ECU police officer Janel Drake.

"If something probably sounds too good to be true then it probably is," said Drake.

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PRSSA holds third annual Operation Christmas Child

Event helps less fortunate during the holiday season

ELISA BIZZOTTO
STAFF WRITER

Beginning this past Tuesday and extending until next week, ECU's chapter of the Public Relations Student Society of America in collaboration with Samaritan's Purse, is holding their annual Operation Christmas Child event.

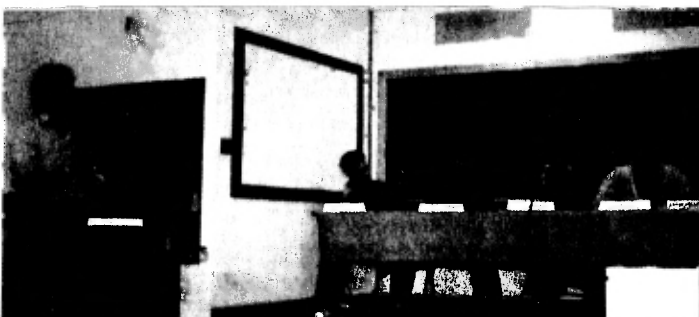
The event, which is an effort to bring holiday cheer to children and families around the globe who live in impoverished or devastated areas, allows students the opportunity to compile and donate gift boxes or individual items to give to PRSSA to donate.

"PRSSA is using this project as a way to give back to the community and help children around the world who are less fortunate than us," said Nicole Devine, the Secretary and Community Service Chair of PRSSA. "The basic purpose of OCC is to collect gift-filled shoeboxes to send to children in need throughout the world who otherwise would not have any type of Christmas."

This is the third year the PRSSA has participated in this event and is implementing a few new approaches to encourage more participation from the ECU community. In addition to collecting the gift boxes and small objects such as toys, schools supplies, hygiene products and hard candy, they are accepting monetary donations to assist with the \$7 shipping and handling fee attached to each box. Devine said that this year the organization has gone to local businesses asking them for donations of gift certificates to use in a raffle. Devine hopes that the raffle, which is open to students through a donation of a single dollar, in addition to other efforts to promote the event, will help bring in more participation. Devine added that thus far Red Lobster has donated gift certificates that will be raffled off beginning this afternoon.

The PRSSA's involvement with this endeavor allows them to give back to the community without receiving any tangible benefits in return. They collect donations and gifts and pass them

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Well-known actors visit ECU and discuss difficulties making it in Los Angeles, New York and even Greenville.

Renowned actors visit ECU

Performers speak out about their lifestyle

SHANNON DAVIS
STAFF WRITER

On Monday Nov. 6 at 7:30 p.m. ECU welcomed the actors of the play *The Caine Mutiny Court Martial* to speak to students of the art, communication, dance and theatre departments. These artists are actors and producers of works such as *21 Grams*, *The Lion King*, *Hamlet*, *Oops! Comedy Improve*, *Judging Amy*, *Deep Space Nine*, *"NYPD Blue"*, *"Fresh Prince of Bel-Air"*, and *"Murphy Brown"*.

The guests presented on living and working the creative life in Los Angeles, New York and even in the productions around Greenville.

ECU school of communica-

tion professor Erick Green was the emcee for the night, asking engaging questions and encouraging audience participation. The participants of the discussion were J. Paul Boehmer, Bill Brochtrup, Matt Gaydos, Anthony Holsten and Grant Shaud. Green's first question to the panel was "Where did your first inspiration to enter this field come from?" Grant Shaud quickly responded, "Where I grew up wanting to be an actor was not a realistic calling for a kid from Villanova, Pa. to pursue. My last semester senior year of college I figured if I could stand up in tights in front of my fraternity brothers and perform *Henry the Eighth*, then I could go to New York. I have one life to do what I want to do and that is why I'm here." Anthony Holsten, a member of the Greenville Theatre Project said, "There were always things I

had to do and then theatre, which was fun. You can actually do theatre and make a modest living."

Green then asked the group what the logistics of working in television, film and theatre are. Bill Brochtrup, who played John Irvin, the homosexual police officer on "NYPD Blue" for over a decade responded, "It is a lot of who you know. It is all about connections and who you meet. It is not necessarily a clear path, you have to find a way. It is a constant scramble to get ahead and yes, we all have agents, but how were we discovered? Perhaps at a mall, being naturally gorgeous, submit a portfolio or had been seen in a play. I try to be charming. I got my original agent by sending out pictures repeatedly."

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

BUCCANEER

Portraits for the yearbook will be taken Nov. 13-17. Log on to ouryear.com, enter ECU's school code (453), and follow the steps to schedule an appointment. If you have any questions, please contact the yearbook office at 737-1553 or at buccaneer@ecu.edu.

Study Abroad Information Session

Thursday, Nov. 30 In Bate 1028 at 7 p.m. Phi Sigma Pi will be hosting an information session for students who are interested in studying abroad. A few students within the organization of Phi Sigma Pi will speak about their experiences in such places as Russia, England, Scotland, France and Nigeria. This event is open to anyone who is interested. If there are any questions, contact Anna Logemann at all1217@ecu.edu (have the subject of the e-mail be "Study Abroad").

Hedda Gabler

The event will run through Tuesday, Nov. 21 and starts at 8 p.m., except Sunday (2 p.m.) in McGinnis Auditorium. By Henrik Ibsen Adaptation by Christopher Hampton. Less than forty-eight hours after returning from a luxurious honeymoon, the former Hedda Tesman, now Hedda Tesman, lies dead in the parlor of her new home, the victim of a self-inflicted gunshot to the head. Ibsen's terse masterpiece unflinchingly leads us to this shocking but inevitable conclusion. At the center of the play is one of the greatest roles in modern drama, the fascinating Hedda Gabler, who finds herself stranded in a seemingly ordinary but dangerously imbalanced domestic system. It includes her husband, the ambitious scholar George Tesman, his doting Aunt Julie and the powerful Judge Brack, who seems intent on playing a very large role in the young couple's life. Into this mix comes an old schoolmate of Hedda's, Thea Elvsted, who has courageously abandoned a love-less marriage in favor of the passionate partnership she has found with the troubled Eiler Lovborg, a brilliant thinker who is an academic rival of Tesman's and who shares an intense secret history with Hedda. Contact ECUARTS.com or theatre-dance.ecu.edu for more information. Ticket Required.

ECU School of Art and Design trip to the N.C. Museum of Art The trip is planned for Wednesday, Nov. 29, departing from ECU at approximately 9 a.m. The trip includes a tour of the exhibit, a break for lunch, a tour of the museum which will finish at 3 p.m. to return to ECU. This event will coincide with the opening private preview night of the SOAD Christmas show and sale in Gray Gallery. All who participate in the trip are invited to this special preview evening which begins at 5 p.m. Tickets for the Monet exhibit are \$12 and the bus will cost \$10 per person for a total of \$22. RSVP and pay by Thursday, Nov. 16. Please RSVP to Alice Fisher, ECU School of Art and Design, Jenkins Fine Arts Center, or bring your payment to the School of Art and Design office and ask to speak with Alice Fisher or Ben DuBose.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Nov. 17-18

Set-up for Festival of Trees Starts at 9 a.m. Greenville Convention Center Six volunteers needed to move trees boxes to assigned spots on Friday. Several volunteers needed Saturday to set up trees. Contact Tami Smith at 328-9337.

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Teaching with Technology "Think-In"
This event will provide faculty the opportunity to share their expertise using technology in both face-to-face and distance education courses. Mendenhall Student Center 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Freshman Roundtable
The Roundtables are designed to provide freshmen with pertinent information about resources at ECU. Ledonia Wright Cultural Center 3:30 - 4:30 p.m.

ECU's Brewster Lecture in History
Professor of History and Women's Studies Barbara J. Harris of the UNC Chapel Hill will speak at the annual Brewster Lecture. Her lecture is "The Fabric of Piety: Aristocratic Women and Care of the Dead, 1450-1550." Science and Technology Building, Room OC207. 8 p.m.

Gideon Yago
Gideon Yago is an MTV news correspondent coming to speak at ECU about the war overseas and how it's portrayed by the media. Only available to ECU students, one ticket per ID. Hendrix Theater 8 - 9 p.m.

ECU English Reading: Down in the Flood
Luke Whisnant, ECU creative writing professor, will read from his short story collection, *Down in the Flood*. Bate 1031 8 p.m.

Si Kahn
American singer, songwriter, speaker and author of *Fox in the Hen House*, Si Kahn, will discuss civil rights and community labor organizing across the south. Kahn also serves as the Public Safety & Justice Campaign Director for the Southeast. Mendenhall Student Center 244 7 p.m.

Harlan Beats
Hip hop artist Harlan breaks the traditional barriers of music and "remind you of someone you've never been reminded of before." Pirate Underground 9 p.m.

Men's Basketball
ECU vs. Morgan State Williams Arena at Minges Coliseum 6 p.m.

Contra Dance
Folk Arts Society of Greenville ECU Folk & Country Dancers Willis Building First & Reade Streets 6 p.m.; potluck dinner 7:30 p.m.; dance lesson 8 - 10:30 p.m.; dance

Veterans' Day Celebration
Pitt County Veteran Council Town Common 10 a.m.

Football
ECU vs. Marshall Dowdy-Ficklen Stadium 1 p.m.

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Visit theeastcarolinian.com/calendar to add your event here.

"The Ooops! Comedy Improv Show"
A Greenville Theater Project show made up of several short-form improvisational games and sketches. City Hotel & Bistro 7 p.m.

A Screening from Sundance
American Blackout a Sundance award winning film by director Ain Inada, is a provocative documentary that explores the historical suppression of black voters in the U.S. with style and intelligence. Hendrix Theater 8 - 10 p.m.

Global Understanding with Jacek Teller
Editor of the independent publication Friend Orange, Jacek Teller is a peace activist and a member of Iraq Veterans Against the War. The Polish-born immigrant will share his unique experiences in an interactive presentation that speaks to the importance of global understanding. Mendenhall Student Center 221 6 p.m.

African-Americans at the Polls
An open discussion led by ECU student leaders will focus on the voting trends in the United States with specific emphasis on the voting trend among the African-American population. Ledonia Wright Cultural Center 5 - 7 p.m.

Pate Conaway Organic Textiles Workshop
Textiles artist Pate Conaway, present an interactive workshop on the importance of organic materials and its multiple usages for contemporary large scale knitting. Mendenhall Student Center Gallery 4 - 6 p.m.

Fixing the Middle East with Roger Tucker
Middle East speaker and peace activist Roger Tucker will present an interactive lecture reflecting his "One State Solution" to the Israeli, Palestinian conflict. Mendenhall Student Center Multipurpose room 8 - 10 p.m.

Undergraduate students last day to remove incompletes given during Spring and/or Summer session 2006.

Profiling Evil Minds with Dr. Maurice Godwin
Highlighting popular criminal cases, ECU Professor of Criminal Justice, will explore the criminal aspects of society at large and the role of the justice system. Mendenhall Student Center 212 7 - 9 p.m.

Pulitzer Nominated Bemd Debusmann
Debusmann, who is German, will discuss the different practices and perspectives of international journalists compared to those of U.S. journalists and American news organizations. Mendenhall Student Center 10 a.m.

Russian Film Series: "Good Bye, Lenin"
Bate 2011 6:30 p.m. Movies have English subtitles or dubbing. Everybody Welcome!

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BRIEFS

N.C. Court of Appeals: Corporal punishment not necessarily abuse

(AP) — Spanking a child, even hitting him with a belt and causing a bruise, isn't child abuse if it doesn't cause serious physical injury, the state Court of Appeals ruled Tuesday.

The decision came in an appeal by a Pender County father who was convicted of abusing his son and neglecting other children. The Court of Appeals reversed the finding by Pender County District Court Judge Phyllis Gorham.

A 13-year-old boy, identified in court documents only as "Th.B.," told a social worker he had been abused because his father hit him with a belt and created a bruise on his buttocks.

"In his appeal, the father argues that corporal punishment, i.e., spanking, standing alone, does not constitute abuse," the court said. "We agree."

Abuse causes serious physical injury, the court said. Cases showing abuse have included parents who pulled out a child's hair, burned them or hit them with their fists, all of which require immediate medical attention.

"Here, the only injury reported by Th.B. and found by the trial court was bruising on Th.B.'s right arm and buttocks as a result of the father's spanking," the court said.

Social Services filed a petition that alleged the three children as

well as one-year-old "C.B." were abused and neglected, and the court took them into custody.

Th.B. testified at a March 2005 hearing that his father hit him because he missed the church bus and misbehaved when he was on it. He also said he had fallen on a board the day before and didn't look at his buttocks to see if they were bruised before the belting.

S.C. woman that didn't like Confederate T-shirt at fair charged with trespassing

(AP) — A Summerville woman who didn't like a Confederate T-shirt being sold at a fair was charged with trespassing after she bought the shirt and stood outside the gates, asking people what they thought about it.

Deanna Bernstein, 38, said the T-shirt sold by a vendor at the Coastal Carolina Fair said "Confederately Correct Civil Rights for Southern Whites," which she thought was offensive and inappropriate for children.

"These children are going by and they see the T-shirt and they think hared is OK. How could anything change?" Bernstein told The (Charleston) Post and Courier.

Bernstein said she was fined \$440 and spent about eight hours in jail.

Coastal Carolina Fair president Chip Boling said Bernstein was well-mannered, but

was asked several times to leave the property.

Bernstein moved to the area from Los Angeles about two months ago.

"The more people generalize, the more people hate, the more divided the cultures are going to be," Bernstein said. "It is so ugly here in the South."

'Ageist' Birthday Cards Banned By Council

(KMTR) — English council bosses have warned staff against sending "ageist" birthday cards to colleagues, because they could be breaking new age discrimination laws.

Jokes about being "over the hill" and "past it" are no laughing matter for workers at South Gloucestershire council, who have been told age-related jokes could constitute discrimination or even harassment.

In a memo sent to the council's

10,000 staff, personnel chief Paul Scrivener warned, "Even sending a colleague a birthday card that says they are 'over the hill and past it' could be taken as ageist behavior."

"This is not just a phase the council are going through, it's the law which means you will be liable for any comments or action you make or do that someone may find ageist and discriminatory."

Canadian Troops Use Cannabis Camouflage

(KMTR) — Canadian troops on a NATO mission to combat Taliban militants in Afghanistan have resorted to camouflaging their vehicles with marijuana foliage.

The chief of the Canadian defense staff, Gen. Rick Hiller, told reporters in Ottawa there were actual forests of 10-foot-high marijuana plants that were almost impenetrable by heat-seeking technology

and that Taliban fighters were using it as cover.


Hiller said some troops were using the Taliban's own jungle tactics of using the plants as cover by draping their personnel carriers with cannabis branches and leaves.

He said attempts to eliminate the forests by burning them with white phosphorus and diesel fuel weren't working, as the plants contain so much water, ABC News reported.

He said even successful burning had unexpected consequences.

A couple of brown plants on the edges of some of those (forests) did catch on fire. But a section of soldiers that was downwind from that had some ill effects and decided that was probably not the right course of action, Hiller said.

About 2,300 Canadian troops are based in Kandahar province as part of the NATO mission.



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Green then asked what their favorite roles were that they had performed throughout their careers. Matt Gaydos said that his favorite role was "playing the rabbit in Harvey" while Anthony Holsten enjoys "the variety. It is a playground of characters out there. I dig the Shakespearean stuff though." Bill Brochtrup expressed his views by stating, "All artists are paid for their choices. I look for how to step outside of the box. You need to manipulate and change the stereotypes because how you do show business is the art of show business."

He went on to say "Real estate and acting is the same sort of game. It is like any other profession, you have to roll with the punches." Grant Shaud, who played Miles Silverberg for eight years on Murphy Brown answered by saying, "I would have to look at who is saying that to me. People who say you are going to fail are the same people who have held themselves back in their own lives."

Bill Brochtrup added, "I would get new friends. Find another crowd because that negativity could be damaging. Either your friends and family will get on board or they won't."

Erick Green has lived and worked in Los Angeles for many years and spoke about his experience by saying, "I thought that I'd find a lot of people who would be against me in L.A. but it was nothing like that. Everyone was just like me."

The panel encouraged students to stay in school and acquire a degree in various fields of study. Matt Gaydos ended the discussion on education and performance by eloquently stating, "Education will help you. Math class and reading a newspaper are equally important down the line. Stay in school, work towards a degree, and build an impressive resume or portfolio."

These performers are all in *The Caine Mutiny Court Martial* by Herman Wouk. They performed at Wright Auditorium on Tuesday, Nov. 7.

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Opinion

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Playing hangman Or would you prefer Russian roulette?

ELIZABETH LAUTEN
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

If there's anyone in the world who deserves to fall through the hangman's trap and suffer the torture of the noose, it is Saddam Hussein.

Announced Sunday, Saddam's death sentence of hanging has been celebrated by many Americans and yet denounced by much of the world. While most people seem to agree with the verdict, many are disturbed by the fact that Saddam has been sentenced to death. This "eye for an eye" vengeance does not seem just.

But, I must ask -- what sort of modern death sentence is hanging? I honestly can't believe that in such a developed world, we still allow people and countries to sentence someone to death by hanging. Hanging is such a barbaric way to kill someone. How is punishing Saddam for killing people violently, a justifiable reason to in turn kill him violently?

It's not that I'm against capital punishment. Clearly, the man deserves the death sentence for the atrocities he committed against the Shiite town of Dujaal, where 148 men and boys were killed for an alleged plot to assassinate the Iraqi dictator back in 1984. Nevertheless, when did the world digress to accepting such primitive punishments as reasonable?

I mean if we're going to consider hanging a good way to kill someone, then why not consider Saddam's alleged "people shredder." As recently as 2003, Saddam and his lackeys fed people who opposed him through a wood chipper. Putting Saddam through his own shredder would at least makes for poetic justice. Better yet, we could stone him to death. Or, if we really want to see him suffer -- disembowelment, as it is one of the most severe forms of capital punishment.

I just don't think that in punishing brutal, violent acts we should resort to the same brutality. We should be more civilized. Whatever happened to the gas chamber or lethal injection? I know many people want to see him "suffer" more than those options provide, but this should be about Iraq finally standing up for their laws and about the world finally getting rid of a horrible man -- not about being as inhumane as possible.

Nevertheless, despite my beliefs, Saddam's sentencing should serve as a reminder and/or warning to both present and future leaders to remember no one is above the law. I think President Bush said it best in calling the verdict "a milestone in the Iraqi people's efforts to replace the rule of a tyrant with the rule of law," as it is quite an achievement for such a young democracy.

And kudos to America for helping bring Saddam to justice.

I am not fat

JESSICA DUNLOW
OPINION WRITER

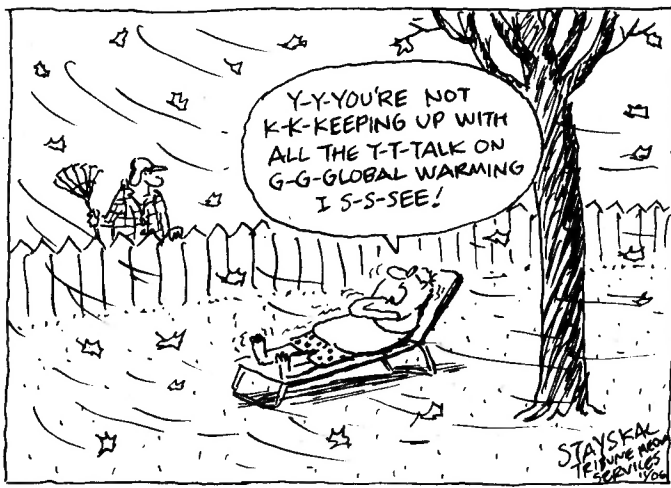
I am not fat, but the media tells me I am. Every magazine on the racks today convinces college-aged girls that we should look like our "peers," Lindsay Lohan, Paris Hilton and the Olsen twins, which is ridiculous. Models and celebrities today support looking like skin and bones. Since the "heroic chic" modeling of the early 1990s, anorexic thin has been in.

On average, 22 percent of college-aged men and women have eating disorders. According to the National Eating Disorders Association, eating disorders are the third highest problem on college campuses. Why is this happening? Psychologists say that certain personalities and the need for control cause eating disorders. Perhaps, but society is what is causing eating disorders.

Magazine covers rage with titles similar to, "What the celebs do to stay thin," "Crash diets of the Rich and Famous" and "Nicole Richie: Go to Rehab!" Recently, fashion industry leaders in Spain announced that they are only putting models with a body mass index (weight to height ratio) of 18 and up on the catwalk. The decision eliminated almost 30 percent of the 50 models that walked last year. Former model Claudia Schiffer stepped out to state, "They are way too thin. It is only bones that stick out." Whereas in the age of Cindy Crawford and Schiffer, curves were in. If you had a nice butt and legs you were set -- it wasn't about the numbers then.

In this summer's *The Devil Wears Prada*, the main character makes fun of the girls who only eat 500 calories a day and starve themselves for weeks before a major event. I think we are reading the wrong magazines, and watching the wrong movies and television shows. *Fogae* is full of these anorexic thin models, so scratch that magazine. *Seventeen* has sections of how girls should be proud of their bodies, so let's praise them. *People* magazine and *Time* magazine have begun to criticize these anorexic thin models and celebrities by speculating rehab instances.

When it is impossible to escape pictures of these people all over the Internet, movies and our own walls, our body images are at risk. I am not fat, but the media tells me I am. However, we must fight against the age of the super skinny and refuse to let the media tell us who and what we should look like. Then, in a world full of unnaturally small sizes, those of us who do not follow the media's idea of skinny and do not let our bodies deteriorate will reign. Because then we will be the ones who are setting the trends.



PIRATE RANTS

I can't stop talking on my phone, even though I'm over in minutes!

Roommate -- I hate you. If only you knew how hard I was looking for a new place to live.

I may be fat, but at least I don't take up two bus seats.

Bridget Todd's article on racism was awesome! Not only was it well written, but I agree wholeheartedly. I'm a white girl who is just realizing the pervasiveness of racism still present in this day and time. I am just realizing this because racism is not an everyday issue for whites as it is for others. If you do a little research that goes further than what they told you in your history classes. You will find out about the Greensboro killings, the Wilmington race riots, and the tragedy in Oxford, N.C. Then you might understand that racism is not so far in the past as you might think and that it's not something you can just get over.

Life just hasn't been the same since "Friends" was cancelled.

I'm in love with the safe ride girl!

I risk being late for class when I wait and hold the door for people. The least you could do is say, "Thank You."

Stop blasting the television every morning. Not everyone has an 8 a.m. class.

You are gorgeous. Stop saying you need to lose weight. Starving yourself is not the way to feel better.

If anyone needs to take an elective and want it to be fun, they have to take Sexual Health. Our homework was to write out any sexual fantasies we have. Seriously.

Can you please calm down! Life does not revolve around you, or me either. Get real. You're a college student, quit playing childish games.

My roommate was sleeping with the girl that slept with seven guys since she's been here and now they both have an STD.

I am a Christian, Republican, Conservative heterosexual. Why do I feel left out?

Am I the only one that reads the Pirate Rants and wants to shout obscenities at some of the ignorant in the paper?

Our "Service" Sororities have socials downtown with Social Frats because we throw down harder than any "Regular Sorority." When you ladies can finish a keg in 18 minutes too, we'll quit having socials!

To the kids that like to do the Irish jig above my head at eight in the morning, cut it out, cause we do know you have a cat, and I would love to get you in trouble.

Did anyone else notice the gas prices after the Democrats got in office?

I was looking at a graph of top five decisions in voting and values were at the bottom. Nice going Democrats.

I think it is crazy for a black person to have to prove "blackness." I did not know you had to act a certain way because of the color of your skin. I don't plan on joining BSU to prove I am black if that is the purpose of the organization.

Why with 40 empty seats in the computer lab do you sit next to me?

I think it is great that the campus is finally being "Painted Purple" with all the street signs and visitor signs! What's next?

I miss the good old Saturday morning cartoons!

To the person who wanted to express their opinion on gay issues -- What "issues"? People are born gay whether they like it or not and no "conservative opinion" is going to change that. I'm a frequent reader of *TEC* and they have always appeared moderate to me, printing articles of all different view types. You are the intolerant one if you want to go ahead and rant about a person because of their sexual orientation.

I cannot study. It is impossible. I just want to be done.

Rain sucks, but at least the puddles are fun to jump in!

I wish papers were easier to write.

The best mirror is often a good friend.

Target brings out the shopaholic in me.

Whoever invented puzzles was either a genius or really bored.

I hate when stupid people go whine to a teacher about someone in their class. Get over it. You're in college. You should have enough courage by now to tell someone when you have a problem with them.

I love how my roommate and her friends are always singing in the room. You guys can't sing!

To the Freshman Class of 2010 -- grow up! I thought we graduated from high school. Graduation symbolizes a point in life where society acknowledges the fact that you have passed the necessary courses and learned the necessary materials to show that you can now move on with your life. The fact that we graduated high school with honors symbolizes that we went above and beyond the necessary measures to achieve success. Therefore, get over your juvenile problems and talk them out rather than pouting and trying to cause confusion among others.

If I don't find a job soon, I'm gonna have to resort to selling my body.

Why do all the teachers want to slap an extra work right before Thanksgiving break?

To the person who said that the Pirate Rants only print those who are cool with gay rights, did you miss the day when they printed the dude who said gays were wrong and immoral except for lesbians? It was quite upsetting.

I tried turning off the charm, but I couldn't find the switch.

It is hard when you are still in love with a person who will never speak to you again.

All I have to say about Gideon Yago is "hey boy hey."

Is there anyone you don't sleep with? To the guy with the cucumber -- you're optimistic!

RANT OF THE DAY

Forget "sexy." Bring back modesty, mystery and class.

Pill poppin' college students on the rise

Quick fix for success

STACY DAIL
OPINION WRITER

So yeah, by now classes are in full swing and the work load for students continues to pile on heavier and heavier -- a six-page paper due Monday, two exams on Tuesday, Course Compass due on Thursday and another exam on Friday.

So what is a college student to do with so much work and such a small amount of time in which to get it done? The answer to this question is a surprisingly dangerous one and according to an N.C. State database, the number of students who are choosing to take Adderall and other prescription drugs to stay awake is on the rise.

Adderall and Ritalin are both used to treat ADHD among children, but I have noticed many of my fellow classmates, who clearly do not have the disorder, popping the pills on a daily basis.

These are the same students who complain about having so much work, go out four nights out of the week, get completely trashed and come dragging in at five o'clock in the morning just in time to get a few hours of sleep and miss their morning classes.

I understand that college is the best four years of a person's life and that partying is a part of what makes it great, but come on, if you have work to do, then why stay out late getting drunk and then depend on pills to keep you alert the next day?

The thing is, though, many students don't understand the effects these drugs can have on them in the long run. In Adderall specifically, it is common to cause an elevated pulse and blood pressure. Even though the purpose of taking the drug is to stay awake, studies have shown that it can effect sleep patterns indefinitely, making it hard for someone to go to sleep even when they want to.

The purpose of college is to go to class, do well and get a degree so that eventually the party life will turn into the responsible, successful and able to support a family life. Taking pills isn't a good way to go about doing well in college, especially since it is an amphetamine and it is quite possible to get addicted.

So, my question was, how are so many students getting their hands on these prescription drugs? Well, after a little bit of research, I found out in a study done by Sean McCabe, who has done various studies about nonmedical use of prescription drugs among college students, that ADHD is diagnosed more in the United States than any other country and that the United States consumes the highest amount of Ritalin and Adderall.

So, go doctors for assuming that every kid is too hyperactive and feeding them pills for every meal so that eventually anyone is able to have a taste.

Sure, there are probably bigger problems in the world other than college students living off of Adderall and alcohol, but it is really that hard to go to class, do work on time, study over the course a week and then party at night? Avoiding pills can't be that hard, unless of course, you've been feeding on them for a while and just can't get enough.

So, for all of you pill-popping students of ECU: Why not prioritize your activities and come up with a healthy, more responsible way of making good grades while still having fun?

Letter To The Editor

The following letter to the editor has been shortened due to space restrictions. The full letter is available online at theeastcarolinian.com/opinion.

I'd like everyone to take a moment to reflect on Veterans' Day. Veterans' Day is a day when we pay homage to our nation's veterans for their service.

Military service is a choice. For some it is a way to be patriotic, for others, it's a chance to see the world. Others may see it as a way to earn college benefits or to challenge themselves. Some chose military service because their fathers had served. Many years ago, some were drafted -- they didn't choose to serve, but they did so anyway and served honorably when their nation called upon them to defend the Constitution of the United States against all enemies, foreign and domestic.

Today, we find ourselves at a critical crossroad. We are fighting a global war on terrorism. Amidst the controversy, one thing holds true: Our troops are performing their duties professionally. I'm thankful for that. Some may say, "If I support the troops then I'm supporting the war." Wrong answer. I'm thankful to live in a country where our military submits to civilian authority and I'm thankful for the professionalism of our Armed Forces. We do not have a Republican Army nor a Democrat Air Force, a conservative Marine Corps nor a Liberal Navy or Coast Guard. Our forces are apolitical. They are trustworthy and loyal.

Less than one percent of the American public serves in the Armed Forces. Who are these people? They are a cross-section of America. They are students, faculty and staff members here at ECU. They have different religions and political party affiliations. They have different views on the war. Some are single, others are married. They eat pizza, drink beer and exercise. They do everything you do. You see them every day but you may not even recognize them.

There are over 500 military veterans including National Guard, reserves and dependents of active military enrolled at ECU. On Veterans' Day this year, stop for a minute and think about what these folks have done. One day of respectful acknowledgement seems like a paltry sum but our veterans are a humble lot. They ask for little and expect nothing. Next time you see a veteran, your father, brother, sister, friend, professor, maintenance worker, tell them thanks. They may seem humble, caught off guard even, but they will appreciate your acknowledgement on Veterans' Day. Thank you veterans for all that you've done and for what you continue to do.

Aaron Clark, Undergraduate Student

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Need advice? Want answers? Just ask Jane.

Dear not too young,

Dear Jane,

I have a crush on a senior. Sure, that may sound stupid to you, but I'm a freshman and I'm sure you can see the problem with that. She and I really seem to have a connection though and I want to ask her out, I just don't know if it's appropriate.

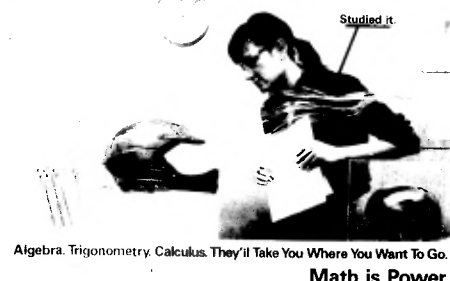
Signed,

Not too young to fall in love

I want to welcome you to the wonderful place we call college. It's a place where you can do whatever you want, whenever you want, with whomever you want... fake ID optional. In high school, the age difference made a much larger impact on relationships because people mature in so many different ways throughout those formative years. In college, most of us have a better idea of who we are and have grown up enough to at least carry on a relationship, if we so choose. Every individual is different, but if you feel that you connect with this girl and she seems to feel the same way, don't psych yourself out and make age a factor. The older people become, the less the numbers on the cake matter. After all, when Demi Moore was in high school, Ashton Kutcher was simply a twinkle in his parents' eyes; look how happy they are today. It's all about mind over matter. If the two of you don't mind, then it doesn't matter.

Best of luck,
Jane

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Trade school: it's more than you think

(MCT)—A decade ago, vocational education students might have spent their time rebuilding engines, welding sheet metal, or learning to cook and sew. But on a recent afternoon, vocational students at Chicago High School for Agricultural Sciences spent their day studying the physiology of animals, creating buildings on computer-drafting programs, and performing chemistry experiments on food.

Given way to programs in veterinary medicine, robotics and computer networking. And the lax academic standards, once the hallmark of vocational education, have been pushed aside for a more rigorous curricula.

Even the name has been changed. The lowbrow "vocational education" has been replaced with the lofty "career and technical education."

The 600 teenagers in the Southwest Side school are part of a quiet but growing revolution.

In the past, vocational education was seen as a second-class education, the path for students who planned to skip college and head directly into the workforce. But a national focus on academic accountability and a high-tech economy that demands more highly skilled workers has forced a change. Vocational education is now for college-bound students.

Gone are the low-tech auto and woodworking shops, replaced by labs filled with state-of-the-art equipment and computers. Courses in tractor driving, cooking and engine rebuilding have



Chicago High School now participates in vocational education classes.

way to get into college and I need to go to college."

"It's not as easy as people think it is," said Willie Akerson, 16, as he stood in the barn in knee-high rubber boots mucking stalls and feeding animals. "You've got to be smart and work really, really hard if you want to do well in this school. It's the only

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"Last year we raised about \$400 and put together 30 shoeboxes," said Devine. "We are hoping to have at least the same success as last year if not more. We've been distributing tons of flyers across campus so hopefully more students will learn

about OCC and participate." Members of the PRSSA will be at a table outside of Joyner Library today from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. and Monday as well, selling raffle tickets and accepting donations and gift boxes. Students can also take their donations to room 102 of Joyner East until next Wednesday morning.

For more information on the event students can contact Nicole Devine at nado0730@ecu.edu or can visit samaritanspurse.org/ocf for more information on Operation Christmas Child.

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Chi Omega holds annual denim charity



The sisters of Chi Omega held their annual charity on Nov. 8 where they sold designer jeans at discount prices. The event went from 1 p.m. until 6 p.m. at the Chi Omega house. Other clothing was also for sale. The sisters raised \$371 with just the sale of pants, including portions of it going toward charity. "It was really great to have everyone come out and support us," said Nicki Caprio, senior hospital management major. Clothing originally priced over \$100 was sold for prices between \$55-\$85.

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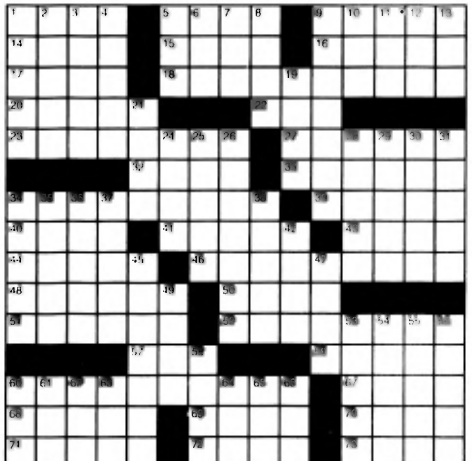
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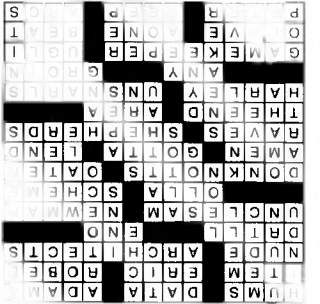
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F-15's that will fly over Dowdy-Ficklen Stadium prior to the start of the 1 p.m. kickoff to commemorate Veterans' Day and Military Appreciation Day; the planes will practice on Friday and will replace the Black Hawk helicopters from last season

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Consecutive wins on Veterans' Day dating back to 1972 with the last win coming on Nov. 11, 2000 when ECU drubbed Houston 62-20; the Pirates are 7-4 all-time on Veterans' Day

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Seniors plus student coach Mike MacDonagh that will be honored prior to their last collegiate game at Dowdy-Ficklen Stadium; over a five-year period (2002-2006), ECU had three different head coaches, three defensive coordinators and four offensive coordinators

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Point deficit overcome by Marshall in the second-half of the 2001 GMAC bowl, which the Herd won 64-61 in double overtime becoming the highest scoring bowl ever played; the game's quarterbacks, Byron Letwiche and David Garrard are now vying for the Jacksonville Jaguars starting slot

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Men and women who lost their lives after leaving Greenville during a plane crash on Nov. 14, 190 on a Wayne Co, W.Va. hillside near Tri-State Airport; 70 players perished after ECU beat the Herd 17-14 in front of 8,711 people; *We Are Marshall*, a movie directed by McG that depicts the tragedy will debut Dec. 22

They said it

"There's a lot of hope, a lot of things that we want to accomplish before we leave here, speaking as a senior. And for the team too, you know we've come a long way, it's been a long journey. So we're here now and we want to finish strong... But this game right here, it'll be emotional. We're playing with a lot of passion and a lot of heart. Everything's going to be put on the field this Saturday."

Jamar Flournoy, ECU safety

"I can really enjoy what we're doing now, and it feels great because everybody's been through the lows and now we're going to the top... I believe we just believe we can win. Of course everybody gets better, the longer you're here the better you get. I think the main thing is our attitude, and we just believe we can win. And we go out there believing everyday."

Will Bland, ECU wide receiver

"We read the magazines, CBS, ESPN and we hear what people say. We're not supposed to win many games this year so that fires us up. That especially fires me up. I didn't come here to lose. The coaches didn't recruit me to bring me to a losing team. We're going to win a lot of games this year, I promise you. We're going to surprise a lot of teams. There's no way we're going to have another 8-20 season, no way."

Darrell Jenkins, ECU point guard



MARSHALL SCHEDULE

SEPT. 2	AT WEST VIRGINIA	L, 42-10
SEPT. 9	VS. HOFSTRA	L, 23-7
SEPT. 16	AT KANSAS ST.	L, 23-7
SEPT. 23	AT TULANE	L, 35-7
SEPT. 30	VS. UAB	L, 23-22
OCT. 14	AT SMU	L, 31-21
OCT. 21	VS. MEMPHIS	W, 38-21
OCT. 28	VS. MEMPHIS	W, 41-27
NOV. 11	AT ECU	1:00 PM
NOV. 18	VS. UTEP	4:30 PM
NOV. 25	AT SOUTHERN MISS	7:30 PM

KEYS TO THE GAME

MARSHALL

1. Control the Clock:

With Marshall's running game the Herd has the ability to play keep-away offense. By establishing Ahmad Bradshaw early, the Herd can keep the ECU offense on the sideline and the ball out of James Pinkney's hands.

2. Special Teams:

Marshall's kicking game has been woeful this season. The Herd kickers are just 5-of-11 on field goals and have missed three extra points. Marshall will need to get points when it can in a game that could see a lot of points scored.

3. Keep Rolling and Score Early:

Both teams want to score first, but it is more important for the Herd to get on the board first to steal momentum and take the expected sell-out crowd out of the game.

This strategy worked for Tulsa and Marshall will hope for similar results Saturday.

FOOTBALL PREVIEW

MARSHALL VS. ECU

Pirates gear up for emotional game

ECU-Marshall matchup not short on storylines

RON CLEMENTS
SENIOR WRITER

Riding a three-game winning streak, the ECU football team will welcome another team on a three-game win streak Saturday when the Pirates play host to Marshall on Senior Day at Dowdy-Ficklen Stadium.

The game could fall to the background in storylines if both teams weren't playing for a Conference USA East Division title.

The matchup marks just the second time, and first time since 1978, that Marshall has visited Greenville since the tragic 1970 airplane crash that killed the entire Marshall team and inspired the movie *We Are Marshall*, which will be released Dec. 22.

Saturday is also the final home game of the season and is Senior Day, which means the final home games for quarterback James Pinkney, corners Kasey Ross and Markeith McQueen, safeties Jamar Flournoy and Pierre Parker, wide receiver Aundrea Allison and running back Brandon Fractious, among others.

"We really just gotta stay focused and not get caught up in the emotions of playing in our last game in Greenville," said Fractious. "At the end of the season, that's when you reminisce. We can't get caught up in the hype. That's for everyone else to enjoy."

Allison understands the magnitude of the game and said he will "seize every moment."

"It's really important, especially because it's

our last game in this stadium," said Allison, who leads the Pirates with 44 receptions. "I'm just gonna go out there and enjoy the crowd like I always do."

ECU Head Coach Skip Holtz said Senior Day can lead to lackluster play because of stirring emotions. "I worry about the seniors playing well because they get so caught up in the emotional ties," Holtz said. "They start reliving and thinking this is my whole career, while they look back on four years and family and friends all coming in for this game. Sometimes your seniors don't play very well on this day because they have a hard time blocking and tackling with all the tears in their eyes."

What the Pirates will surely contend with is a Marshall squad that is similar to ECU in more ways than just winning streaks.

"We're two very similar football teams that are coming down the stretch," Holtz said of the two teams that both lost to West Virginia on their ways to 1-3 starts. "They went through that rough stretch early, but I've been impressed with them recently. I think they're an excellent team."

Marshall (4-5, 3-2 C-USA) began its season at 1-5, with the lone win coming over Division I-AA Hofstra, before reeling off three straight wins over UAB, Memphis and Tulane. In those games, the Thundering Herd has scored a combined 114 points.

ECU's offense scored 16 points in the win at UCF while putting up 20 the week before at Southern Miss. In ECU's three previous wins, the Pirates (5-4, 4-2, C-USA) scored more than 30 points. Holtz knows his team will need a better offensive performance than what they've had the last two weeks to beat Marshall.

"There were an awful lot of good things from our offense, but every time we got down into the red-zone and near the 25-yard line we seemed to sputter," Holtz said. "Sometimes it was a dropped

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ECU SCHEDULE

SEPT. 2	AT NAVY	L, 28-23
SEPT. 9	AT UAB	L, 37-12
SEPT. 16	VS. MEMPHIS	W, 35-20
SEPT. 23	VS. SOUTHERN MISS	L, 27-10
OCT. 7	VS. VIRGINIA	W, 30-21
OCT. 14	VS. TULSA	L, 31-10
OCT. 21	VS. SMU	W, 38-21
NOV. 4	AT UCF	W, 20-17 (OT)
NOV. 11	VS. MARSHALL	1:00 PM
NOV. 18	AT RICE	3:00 PM

KEYS TO THE GAME

ECU

1. Stop the Run:

The ECU defense has been improving each week in stopping the run and they must continue to do so this week against a Marshall team that is tops in the conference in running the ball with a running back that is seventh in the nation in yards per game.

2. Win the Turnover Game:

The Pirates lead the conference in takeaways with 20, but are only plus three in turnover margin. Marshall is minus seven in turnover margin, but is riding a three-game winning streak in which the Herd is plus two in those contests.

3. Field Position:

ECU has been giving up some big plays on returns so the Pirates need to find ways to consistently flip the field on Marshall to force them to put together long drives in order to score.



OPINION

Seniors deserve proper send-off

Pirate Nation needs to recognize 23 seniors

ERIC GILMORE
SPORTS EDITOR

Twenty-two men and a student coach will be recognized with their families on Bagwell Field before the 1 p.m. kickoff against Marshall. Four and five years of commitment to advancing ECU football will culminate with a

single ovation from the Pirate Nation.

Years of practice time and lifting sessions, hours of film, study hall and midnight bus rides will somehow be worth it. Looking their families in the eyes, knowing they put in their total effort is a special moment. The personal salute from the Pirate Nation, a roar from a single crowd is equally as special.

"It's going to be emotional, very exciting," said senior reserve

wide receiver Will Bland. "When we stand in front of the thousands of people knowing this is it. This is that last time we will be on this field."

The seniors have watched their upperclassmen graduate, moving onto to NFL training camps and regular jobs. They've watched, many played, while the previous seniors were going through the same emotions. But this crop is different.

Arriving in campus following

the David Garrard era, which was culminated by a GMAC bowl berth, the program appeared on solid footing.

"When I first signed here, they were just getting back from the bowl game playing Marshall," said Bland. "I'm like 'they're bowl contenders.' They had a good coach. Then, everything went downhill. We started getting used to losing."

In five years, the program has featured three different head

coaches, three defensive coordinators and four offensive coordinators.

They were embarrassed 51-10 by Southern Miss two seasons ago. In the same year, the two-win team clawed back against Memphis, only to lose to a last-second field goal. The program's rock bottom was when N.C. State battered the Pirates 52-14 in John Thompson's final game, the second largest

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pass or a missed block. It was never really one position where we could say 'don't throw it that way anymore' or 'lets not run that play again.' It just always seemed to be one guy breaking down. In order for us to win we are going to have to score more points to succeed and become more competitive."

Fractious, who ran for a career-high 128 yards against UCF, is confident that the offense will get back on track for the final home game of the season.

"It seems to be just that one thing," said Fractious. "One thing doesn't go right and if it's third-and-1 or a third-and-6, it's that one thing. That's why we've been inconsistent."

"One thing that has been consistent is the ECU defense. The youthful group led by its veteran secondary leads the conference in takeaways and is second in pass defense, scoring defense and total defense."

"I think this defense is really starting to grow up," Holtz said. "They're really starting to accept the role that they've been given. They're starting to get excited about being a great defensive football team and they're taking a lot of pride in stopping people."

"That defense, which held UCF's Kevin Smith to 50 yards, will be needed against the Herd and their

talented tailback, Ahmad Bradshaw. Marshall leads C-USA in rushing offense and is fourth in total offense. Bradshaw, who rushed for 187 yards and two scores last year versus ECU, leads C-USA in rushing again this year with 1,126 yards and 11 touchdowns.

"He's a great running back," Holtz said. "He's powerful, strong, elusive and has speed. He's got an awful lot of talent and we have a difficult chore with our front seven."

Ross knows how good Bradshaw is, but is confident that the Pirates defense is up to the challenge.

"They're really gonna line up and run the ball on you," said Ross, who had his second interception return for a touchdown

against UCF. "They've gonna try to get him as many touches as they can. But we feel like if we get them in long down situations where they can't just give him the ball, then we should be all right."

The Pirates have a game in hand on Marshall, as the Herd has three conference games remaining with ECU, UTEP and USM. The Pirates have Marshall and Rice remaining on their conference schedule.

Both teams control their own destiny in C-USA's East Division. Marshall head coach Mark Snyder said his team never got discouraged after their poor start and he now has them playing with confidence.

"When we were 1-5, we did not sense the guys giving up," said Snyder. "It has been pretty smooth sailing since then. I don't know if we ever really lost them, we saw things we did not like and addressed it, but right now we are all full steam ahead and I am very proud of them."

Holtz knows the challenge Marshall presents and is aware of how confident Snyder has his team. "We're going to stay within the confines of what we have to do which is focus on the upcoming opponent and focus on Marshall," Holtz said. "We understand we're playing a very good football team in Marshall. They've won three in a row. They're playing with a lot of confidence right now."

Winning the conference or getting to a bowl game were goals for the Pirates at the beginning of the season and now are close to becoming reality, but Holtz said his team is not thinking about those goals now. They just want to "win the next one" and "go 1-0."

"They're starting to understand it," Holtz said. "That's what good football teams do. They stay focused on what they have to do with the task at hand. Right now it's all about Marshall. It's not about Rice, it's not about N.C. State, it's not about the possibilities of what we could end up with and

when was the last time we won that many games. We can't get caught up in that race. We have to stay focused on Marshall."

Ross said bowl games are not part of the daily discussions.

"We don't bring up the bowl stuff right now," said Ross. "It's just 1-0. Every week, we're trying to go 1-0. Coach always tells us don't focus on the big picture. Let's focus on right now and what we have to do."

While Holtz said the bowl talk is good for the fans, it can be a distraction for his team.

"Any time you start to win a little bit those things become possibilities," Holtz said. "Obviously from a media standpoint, from a fan standpoint, everybody's going to start to speculate. But right now, as I keep telling this football team,

we can't fall into that trap. That doesn't have anything to do with us going and taking care of our job."

Both coaches are expecting a near sell-out for the 1 p.m. kickoff.

"I would be surprised if they didn't have a great crowd," said Snyder. "We are just going to have to go in and play and have fun. I think we have sold our whole allotment of tickets for this game so we will have a great crowd there too."

Holtz is hoping to feed off the energy the way the Pirates have in their previous home wins.

"There will be a lot of energy and excitement and enthusiasm about this game," Holtz said. "It should be a very electric and exciting atmosphere."

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margin in series history. ECU became a football joke, instantly erasing credibility it has sustained in two decades while dropping out of the conference realignment consideration at a critical juncture.

"It's almost like you try to push it back like it never even happened," said reserve offensive lineman Lance Neisz.

Two seasons later, the same nucleus of players have an opportunity to seek redemption against Southern Miss, Memphis and N.C. State.

"They've been on an emotional roller coaster for four and some of them five years," defensive coordinator Greg Hudson said. "They've got a chance now to reap the rewards of their efforts. They've been our building blocks. Last year, the group fixed the holes in the Pirate ship and now these guys have made it stronger. We're back out to sea."

For the first time in a long time, longer than the seniors have been here, ECU is in first place in C-USA. Skip Holtz knows how much a final win would mean to his second group of Pirate seniors.

"As a staff, we're burning the midnight oil, we're so committed to helping these seniors to have the kind of year they want to have," said offensive coordinator Steve Shankweiler. "They're a special group of kids."

The Pirate faithful needs to repay the players with deserving cheers because this influential group of student-athletes ended the losing mentality. Their recent three-game winning streak has renewed the prestige of the Pirate program.

"When I came in there was a prominent program ahead of me," Neisz said. "Honestly, I wouldn't trade it in for the world because now, I can really enjoy what we're doing now. It feels great because we've all been through the lows and now we're going through the top. It feels great."

Veterans' Day will mark the progress of 23 men, who have re-lighted the torch of ECU football. From a national cupcake to a first-place standing with a conference championship berth on the line, the seniors' careers have encompassed the full gamut of emotions. All for the exception of two... a bowl win and a conference title. If the fans have hope of either two, the least they can do is stand up and cheer.

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
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
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
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

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Horoscopes:

Aries
With the help of your whole family, set away stores for the future. An old-fashioned recipe and/or method still works quite well.

Taurus
Others are doing the negotiations but you're supplying the data. The more information they have, the more you all will win.

Gemini
You're getting better at doing the job, so it's becoming more fun. That's the objective, anyway. Keep at it until that happens, at least.

Cancer
Others may be afraid there's not going to be enough to go around. You're not worried, because you know how to get whatever you need. Be creative.

Leo
Be practical and you'll continue to use good judgement to make your decisions. You love the applause, but it's always best when it comes from people you trust.

Virgo
If you're sweet, and you certainly can be, people will tell you everything. That's what you should be doing now, to get the entire story.

Libra
There are several ways to acquire wealth. One way is to ask. You'll be surprised at how well you do, using this simple method.

Scorpio
Others look to you for direction, which you're glad to supply. Help them with the motivation, too, and the logistics.

Sagittarius
Besides asking questions, you need to keep track of the money. Follow where it goes, and you'll solve the mystery.

Capricorn
There's nothing as romantic as having dinner in with a person you think is wonderful. Offer to do the cooking, and you'll probably get the date.

Aquarius
You have more than enough to keep you busy. You may have to invent a way to do three or four things at once. Luckily, you can do this.

Pisces
You'll have a lot more fun now, since the worst phase is finally over. You did better than you thought you would. Rest on your laurels.

Concerts:

Friday, Nov. 10
Charlie Daniel's Band
Crown Center, Fayetteville

Saturday, Nov. 11
Badfish, a Tribute to Sublime
Lincoln Theatre, Raleigh
James Gregory
Clayton Center, Clayton
Mary Mary
Crown Center, Fayetteville

Wednesday, Nov. 15
G. Love and Special Sauce
Lincoln Theatre, Raleigh

Friday, Nov. 17
Jah Creation
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Mendenhall Movies:

World Trade Center
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'Borat' for make benefit glorious comedic nation

Film strives to be an equal-opportunity offender

BEN HARRIS
STAFF WRITER

For months there has been nonstop hype about Borat. The film has easily become the most talked about comedy of the year, not necessarily because of the fact that it is a great film but because of its shockingly and extremely crude humor. Its incredible shock value is undoubtedly the main reason that so many people are looking forward to seeing it. Its distributor has actually cut down the film's opening screens to nearly half of its original forecasts because of the controversy surrounding the film.

The movie features Sacha Baron Cohen, who many people recognize as the effeminate French racer in *Talladega Nights*, or as the voice for the lemur on *Madagascar*. He also has his own show, "Da Ali G Show," from which Borat is based. Cohen is possibly one of the best character actors in the business and many people would be surprised to know Cohen is a successful graduate of Cambridge

University in England. Cohen's character, Borat, is a Kazakh reporter who attempts to come to America to find out about our culture. Now before seeing the movie, it is very important to remember to go to the theater with an extremely open mind and also the mindset that this is just a movie and in no way reflects the views of anyone involved in its production.

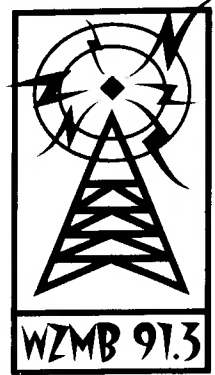
Borat is an extreme anti-Semitic. His beliefs come to light early on when he participates in the "Running of the Jew," which is similar to the running of the bulls except participants run from giant demon-like effigies of Jews. Borat's hatred of Jews actually leads to some of the more funny moments of the movie. Borat gets trapped in a bed and breakfast run by a Jewish couple and hilarity ensues. Also, Borat has some extreme views about women. He has basically every bad notion about women anyone could possibly have. During the show, I actually saw some women walk out due to some of the things Borat said.

Homosexuals are also targeted by Borat's uncultured humor. This is no ordinary comedy.

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Borat, Sacha Baron Cohen, with his new American friend, the cactus.



Heavy Rotation: 1967

One of the greatest years of music...ever?

JOHN BOSCO
STAFF WRITER

Being a music director at WZMB, and being that I enjoy being one, I'm usually ranting and raving about what's good and what's not-so-hot in the new releases that are coming out.

But that's not to say that I am completely disinterested in classic rock, blues or folk, though.

Like many other students at ECU, I'm a music fan who has an iPod with tons of new and classic albums alike.

And for some reason, lately the plays on my iPod have been from older artists, and, particularly, from 1967.

While being a music director in 2006 is an awesome enough job, I couldn't imagine what it must have been like to be a music director in college in the year 1967.

And after taking a look at what was hot in 1967, maybe you'll understand why just thinking about it is blowing my mind.

Mitch Mitchell, Noel Redding, and that guitar virtuoso you might have heard of, Jimi Hendrix, release *Are You Experienced?* in 1967 and it propels Hendrix to international stardom.

The 1967 album plays more like a greatest hits album than it does the blues outfit's debut album.

Also in 1967, The Doors release their self-titled debut album. Imagine being a music director, hearing about this band The Doors, and listening to "Break on Through (To the Other Side)" or "Light My Fire."

Even today, *The Doors* is considered one of the greatest debut albums of all time by any band in

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Band Spotlight: Instrumental Quarter



When thinking of one of the many bands that pass through Greenville to play shows, the thought of a singer, drummer and guitarist mixed with a crowd of people jumping around to the sounds of rock tunes comes to mind.

Instrumental Quarter performed at Spazzatorium Galleria on Wednesday, Nov. 7 and they are far from the typical pop-rock band. For those of you unfortunate souls who missed the show, they will be performing all over the northeastern United States, including places such as Virginia, Indiana and Kentucky, so keep an eye out for their performances.

The band has been described as a "moving group," because members of the group change frequently. Instrumental Quarter released its first album in 2003 entitled *No More Secrets*, and recently released its second, *Traffic Jam*, in late August. The album has gotten many people talking, and their talent is definitely evident when listening to any of the 13 tracks. Check out myspace.com/instrumentalquarter for more information about the band.

Yay for Yago

MTV News Correspondent spreads his wings

SHANNON DAVIS
STAFF WRITER

Gideon Yago, the face of current events to millions of young adults, is a news correspondent for MTV's daily "10 to the hour" news segments and creates documentaries aimed at political topics.

Yago was born in Madison, Wisconsin and raised in Queens, New York. He first appeared on MTV as a winning contestant on "Idiot Savant," a retired pop culture game show, during his freshman year at Columbia University in New York City. With no credentials in television or journalism, Yago reported on the McCain and Bush campaigns. His success led to landing a position as one of MTV's news correspondents.

Starting out as a reporter during the 2000 presidential election, Yago was the first MTV news correspondent to travel to Afghanistan, Kuwait and Iraq. He traveled to Kuwait City, where he covered the war in Kuwait, which was part of MTV's news coverage of the conflict. He then returned to the Middle East to report on how life has changed for young soldiers and their families there in "Diary of a Soldier" in Baghdad. Yago's generation that is

extremely knowledgeable about media biases, Yago presents a trendy look at politics and other newsworthy events around the world in an unbiased, informative format.

Yago has interviewed some of the nation's foremost leaders including Secretary of State Colin Powell, former New York City Mayor Rudolph Giuliani, Ralph Nader, Bill Gates, Senator John Kerry, President George W. Bush and former President Bill Clinton. Yago has worked on award-winning documentaries on sexual health, the September 11 attacks, fighting in Afghanistan, hate crimes, the 2000 and 2004 elections, and the war in Iraq.

When asked how he started doing the most political coverage of all the MTV news correspondents Yago replied, "I'm kind of the only one here who was willing to go sleep in the desert when the wars were going on. I was really in the right place at the right time as the channel started to take steps to have more substantive content."

Yago described his time spent in Iraq by stating, "I mostly met a bunch of kids from the lower income bracket who were taking a job to either pay for school or finance their families or get themselves out of their towns and war, but they never expected to fight in a large scale

New album from The Vacation

Thrashing into stereos everywhere

AARON BORREGO
STAFF WRITER

In late April, The Vacation released the self-titled album to critical acclaim. The marked success that was impending upon the quartet was surely deserved and well earned.

Their infectious metal/hardcore/classic rock blend captivates audiences everywhere they venture to play their music. Couple this with a very charismatic and reaction inducing front man, you have a sure recipe for success.

The album's opening track "White noise" booms you into their obvious stage performance and presence. While being about the over saturation of current technologies such as the Internet and TV, the music is incredibly hard driven.

The guitar riffs resemble that of some of the best music from the 1970s and 1980s. The song possesses hard driving guitars, booming bass and sing-along type lyrics. This is found in much of the album to the delight of its listeners.

The "unclean" singing style of their front man lends this band some underground appeal to those who like the "bravura" sound. Another such song to show this type of song approach is "Destitute Prostitutes."

What is interesting about this album is that the style doesn't remain constant and does vary based on some of the band's influences. The Ramones and

bands from that particular punk/hardcore scene are reflected in their overall no-stops-pulled-approach.

"Make up your mind" is just that type of punk sound that doesn't stop till the final bell is rung. This would entail the song is unclear and doesn't really make sense too many. This is completely untrue to those who appreciate 1980s punk.

One thing that needs to be emphasized is the pure animal magnetism of this album's appeal. The entire album is unrelenting from beginning to end. The singing is awesome in the sense you can hear the

passion of the front man as he belts out these tunes.

After listening to this album, one would be inclined to want to see these boys perform live. One could imagine this band is more of a live stage act capable of delivering one of the best performances ever seen.

Anyway, back to the songs. "No hard feelings" is a bit of a change of pace from the hard driving punk songs earlier in the album. This song actually reminds me of the band Jet.

Overall, I give this album an A-. The intensity of the music coupled with the previously mentioned animal magnetism set up the band and their live performances. Also, it is very nice to see some new music out there that refers back to simpler music at the grassroots level.

I hope everyone listens to this album or goes to see a show these guys are playing in the near future. I'm sure you won't be disappointed. You may even like them as much as I do.



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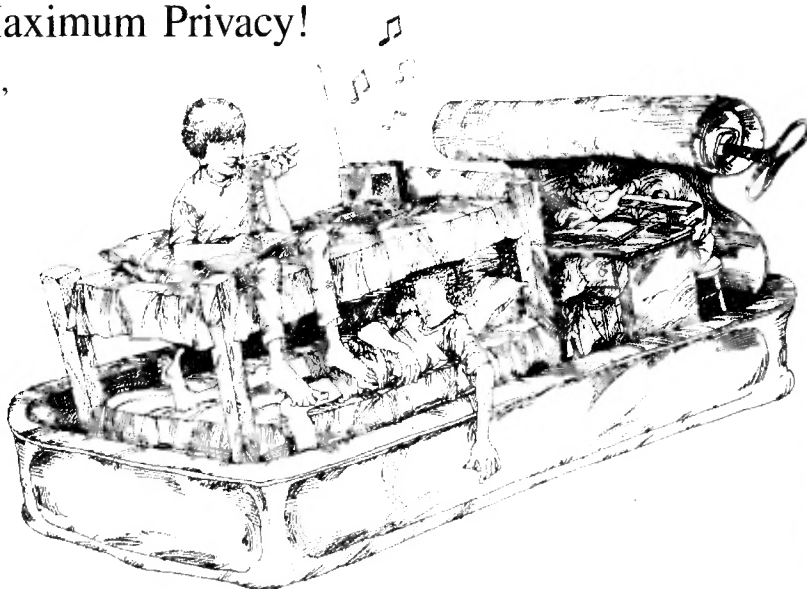
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Borat, at an upscale dinner party, gets an important, hilarious lesson in American etiquette from the guests.



Borat celebrates with his neighbors in Kazakhstan before his planned visit to America in this comedy.

Borat is just nonstop joke after joke, and nearly all of them work with perfection. Cohen's ability to stay in character, even in the most awkward moments, is key to the movie's success. He literally ceases to be Cohen and he turns into an entirely different person. If someone sees a movie with Tom Hanks, that person can always look at the screen and still see Hanks even though he is playing a different person. With Cohen, it is like Borat is actually a real

person who is trying to make a serious documentary.

If anything, Borat shows the lack of an American sense of humor. He shows how unable we are to sometimes laugh at ourselves, even though sometimes the best laughs are the ones you get laughing at yourself. Some of the people he meets on his journey will make you wonder if Americans have lost that valuable sense of humor.

I predict this movie will

become a cult classic. While it may not make much money right away because of the decision to cut back its screens, the movie will eventually make a large sum due to word of mouth. The movie is a comedic masterpiece for so many reasons and one of the funniest movies I've seen in years.

Overall Grade: A

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There was this incredible sense of innocence, you realize that you were going to get thousands of new vets, that you were going to get this generation of new veterans 18, 19, 20-year-olds, all these boys you see coming home now and at that time I was 25 so I was the same age as a lot of these guys. And that is what we

had on air." The highlight of Yago's career came this October, when he was afforded the opportunity to address the student population of Towson University in Maryland. ECU is pleased to announce that the Student Development Office is bringing Gideon Yago to talk about his experiences report-

ing from Iraq and other war torn countries for MTV in the Hendrix Theater today, Nov. 9 at 8 p.m. His presentation is open to the public and to anyone who is interested in learning about his journalistic experiences.

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1967 continued from B4

any genre. The Beatles' eighth album, *Sgt. Pepper's Lonely Hearts Club Band*, is widely acclaimed as the standard for psychedelic rock upon its initial release in the summer of 1967.

It is instantly recognized that the Beatles' impact on pop and rock music from *Sgt. Pepper's* is going to be permanent - from the artwork to the recording techniques and all the way down to the music itself.

By 1967, there's no doubt that the Beatles are not just a boy band

after teenage girls. And not to mention that later, in the winter of 1967, they'd release *Magical Mystery Tour*, an album with tracks that are equally as experimental as those found on *Sgt. Pepper's*.

And, by the way, 1967 also saw the Velvet Underground and Nico's epic collaboration (in part, thanks to Andy Warhol).

Though banned at many stations around the country for its highly controversial content like drugs, prostitution and S&M, *The Velvet Underground & Nico* is con-

sidered one of the most influential albums of all time - members Lou Reed, John Cale and Nico would go on to influence a host of underground, alternative music and even a good amount of today's indie rock scene.

Well, maybe you still wouldn't want to trade this year for 1967, that's understandable.

But maybe it's about time you update your music library with some sounds from the past.

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