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## ECU inducts 28 into Educator's Hall of Fame



The College of Education welcomes new members in their ceremony on Saturday in Fletcher Recital Hall.

### 1,000 more places available for other educators

ZACK HILL  
STAFF WRITER

The College of Education inducted 28 new members into the Educator's Hall of Fame on Saturday.

The ceremony took place at 10 a.m. in Fletcher Recital Hall.

Inductees were presented a plaque bearing their name and background in education during the ceremony. John Swope, associate dean of the College of Education, read each plaque aloud as each inductee stood to be recognized.

Jessica Davenport, director of communications for the College of Education, said that inductees are those with an outstanding background in education that family members, friends and colleagues wish to recognize by contributing

\$1,000 to Educator's Hall of Fame scholarship, which provides funds for ECU students in the College of Education.

Marcy Romary, director of development in the College of Education, said that the first two scholarships will be awarded this spring for the 2007-08 academic year.

"Our goal is to eventually have a million dollars in the scholarship fund," Romary said.

Among this year's inductees were Callaree Jarvis Horton, who, along with her two sisters, who were also inducted, worked a combined total of 124 years in the education field.

Callaree herself worked 34 years, mostly as an elementary school teacher, and taught the very first kindergarten class at Eastern Elementary in Washington, N.C., in 1969.

She thinks starting education on the kindergarten level is crucial to the rest of children's academic lives.

"When they're that young, you make such a difference," Horton said.

Another long time educator and inductee this year was Katie Corbett Johnson, who spent most of her time teaching second grade in several different North Carolina counties including Pitt, Edgecombe, Johnston and Sampson.

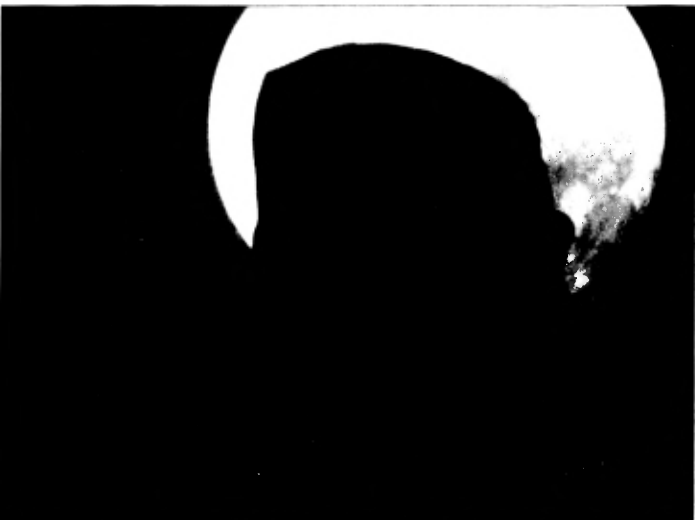
She has also been a member of Delta Kappa Gamma, a national honor society for women educators, for nearly 40 years and has worked with the organization to promote education.

Johnson pointed out that many fine educators remain unrecognized. "I feel really humble. There are a lot of other people that could be sitting up there," Johnson said.

There are currently about 270 members in the hall, with close to 1,000 more spots available.

The plaques are located in the Speight Building.

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The giant stone monoliths of Easter Island in the South Pacific are a main attraction in the country of Chile.

## Local librarian travels to Chile

### Dr. Larry White speaks on his experience

BENJAMIN CORMACK  
STAFF WRITER

Dr. Larry White, assistant professor of the ECU College of Education's Library Science and Instructional Technology Department, was recently invited by the United States Embassy and the Chilean Library Association to present the key note address at the 11th Annual International Library Science Conference that took place Oct. 26.

Being invited by the U.S. Consulate to go to Santiago was nothing short of a pleasant surprise for Dr. White, who had given a presentation previously at the International Federation of Library Associations Conference in Seoul, South Korea. Evidently, members of the Chilean Library Association were impressed by Dr. White enough to request his presence and expertise.

In describing what his work

involved, Dr. White said that it "goes beyond how you work with books."

"Chile is a really interesting place," White said. "In terms of its more European nature, kind of Spain-Western-Europe look to it than a traditional Latin American look. The culture is a mix of Latin and European. It's a very bustling place. Santiago is surrounded by mountains on all sides, so it's very scenic. The people are extremely welcoming, pleasant and easy to work with. It was a very pleasant experience."

Among all the places he visited, White noted that the Santiago Public Library was a tremendous facility; about 250,000 square feet. That's bigger than an average Super Wal-Mart, and almost double or triple the size of most U.S. libraries (including Joyner).

It was here that Dr. White suggested that they utilize a patio located on the fourth floor of the building, which offered a scenic view of the city, for public stargazing.

"As I was touring libraries and visiting with librarians, questions would be posed," said White. "I would then go off and work with that person, or they would give me an invitation to please come to their facility and work with the staff or address the issue that they were asking questions about."

White worked with academic library staff and directors on defining their success in reporting what they do. Generally speaking, success is defined by academic circulation, as well as by activities they may hold or participate in. With the internet and other electronic resources, these numbers are going down. The question, which he addressed, became how to redefine success in the library environment.

White was also requested by the Chilean Ministry of Education to work with Coordinadora Biblioteca Escolares and her team on a project to build/establish a learning resource center in all of Chile's 13,000 public schools

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ECU student Rochelle Rice, music therapy and voice performance major.

## Reaping the benefits of studying abroad

### Transform your classroom into a global experience

GENERRA CORNWELL  
STAFF WRITER

ECU has a Study Abroad Program that is designed to allow students to travel to different countries and apply what they have learned in their classroom to the reality of that culture. This program gives students an opportunity to explore the cultural and social dynamics of another place. This experience provides the student with academic as well as personal growth that can not be taught in a domestic classroom. It allows the students to not just read about the lifestyles and cultures of a country but to see these things first hand and to interact with the natives of that country.

ECU student, Aimee Sullivan, junior media studies and production major, participated in the Study Abroad Program last spring. The program was con-

ducted in Manchester, England. When asked how the learning environment was compared to your typical classroom she replied, "The classes are a lot smaller, there were only about 12 people in my class, it was a very laid back environment. I only had to attend class once a week and it was a seminar and lecture. Most of the teachers didn't take attendance, we didn't have tests or exams, there wasn't much homework assigned. We called our professors by their first names."

Although this program is a wonderful opportunity Sullivan stated that it does have its pros and cons. One advantage of the program was "that you get to go to a different country and experience everything! The teachers are really understanding and laid back, which gave us a lot of time to travel." Some disadvantages of the program were "the program was not very organized. I still don't have my grades back so I am 15 credit hours behind. I also

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## Community looks to globalize education



Pictured from left to right are faculty attendees: Michael Harris, Beth Eckstein, Carolyn Ledford, Dr. John Swope, and Jim Westmoreland.

### International Education Week underway at ECU

LISA URAM  
STAFF WRITER

On Monday, the fifth annual Celebration of International Education was held at the City Hotel & Bistro. This year's event was given by Beth Eckstein, with the Center for Economic Education in the College of Business and Dr. Carolyn Ledford, associate professor in the College of Education.

The focus this year was to internationalize education through teachers, concentrating on kindergarten through fifth grade. Those in attendance ranged from ECU international students and student interns to community teachers and ECU faculty.

Eckstein, who also spoke at the event, discussed ways which elementary teachers can incorporate the importance of international trade with their students through interactive learning. Her focus included examples of trade between the United States and Brazil.

A wide variety of activities were used to demonstrate the importance of international perspectives and how to incorporate it in the classroom.

"We are trying to develop global understanding between students and teachers," said Dr. John Swope, associate dean for the College of Education, about this event.

In fact, only four percent of American students go on to study abroad in college. While the rest of American students are left learning about other cultures through American news outlets. According to Rosina Chia, assistant vice chancellor for Global Academic Initiatives at ECU, "These news outlets are unable to give an unbiased world view."

Chia, along with Jami Leibowitz, associate professor of Anthropology spoke about the Global Understanding course that is offered at ECU. Currently there are 16 institutions around the world participating in this course, which allows ECU students to discuss a wide range of topics with international students through video conferencing.

"When we know so few students can experience international perspective, we bridge the gap with this course," said Chia.

The workshop ended with presentations from international students attending ECU from Germany, Ukraine, Poland, China, Bangladesh, Japan, Costa Rica, Chile and the United Kingdom. Each student gave perspective on the country where they were raised and how diverse our cultures are.

In the words of Carolyn Ledford, associate professor for the College of Education, we should all "think globally and act locally."

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# News

{ Campus & Community }

## CORRECTION

In our Nov. 14 article on the wounded Marines that were kind enough to speak to students in honor of Veteran's Day, we incorrectly listed the rank of Lt. Col. Siebenhal. The *East Carolinian* apologizes for the error.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Buccaneer

Nov. 13 - 17  
Portraits for the yearbook will be taken this Monday through Friday. Visit [ouryear.com](http://ouryear.com) with ECU's code 453 and follow the steps toward making an appointment. Contact the yearbook office at 737-1553 or [buccaneer@ecu.edu](mailto:buccaneer@ecu.edu) for additional information.

### Mineral Rocks

Nov. 13-15 from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. in front of the Graham Building. The Geology Department will be holding a mineral rock sale this Monday through Wednesday in Wright Place by the Graham Building.

### Geographic Information Systems

Wednesday, Nov. 15 in Brewster B 102 from 3 to 4 p.m. ECU's GI Science Center is sponsoring GIS day. Dr. Tom Allen will give a lecture and demonstration on "Digital Earth, Virtual Globes and Geospatial Visualization." It will feature a variety of software and imagery for visualizing geographic phenomena.

### Project Heart

Project heart will continue their service project collecting school supplies and money for the younger Katrina victims through Dec. 6. Their goal is to provide each child at James Johnson Elementary School with a holiday gift bag full of school supplies.

### Sigma Alpha Epsilon "Bounce-A-Thon"

Wednesday, Nov. 15 on the corner of Greenville Boulevard and Red Banks Road. Sigma Alpha Epsilon is holding their sixth annual "Bounce-A-Thon" this Wednesday. Over the past six years, they have raised over \$10,000 and expect to raise several thousand dollars this year. All proceeds this year will be going to one of their brothers of the fraternity who is battling leukemia. Contact Stuart Sauls, Phi-lanthropy Chair, Sigma Alpha Epsilon 919-222-1937.

### ECU Fall Open House

Saturday, Nov. 18 beginning at Wright Auditorium at 9 a.m. Activities will include an Academic Fair, Student Life Fair, walking and bus tours of campus and tours of residence halls. There will also be sessions presented by Financial Aid, University Honors program, an Admissions workshop and a Multicultural Student Panel. Contact the Office of Undergraduate Admissions at 328-6640 or visit [ecu.edu/admissions](http://ecu.edu/admissions) for additional information.

### Blankets for the Elders

Saturday, Nov. 18 at Mendenhall brickyard between noon and 4 p.m. Blankets for the Elders is a group dedicated to providing blankets for Native Americans in colder climates. They are accepting new and like-new blankets. They can be donated at EXN's Fall Powwow in the brickyard of Mendenhall from noon until 4 p.m.

### ECU Hosts Adapted Sports Day

Saturday, Nov. 18 from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. in ECU Student Recreation Center. Cost is \$5 to cover breakfast, lunch, the keynote presentation and entry into the facilities. Registration begins at 8:30 a.m. Visit [ecu.edu/cs-studentlife/crw](http://ecu.edu/cs-studentlife/crw) or contact 252-328-6387 for more information.

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**Wellness Wednesday: Carbon Monoxide Breath Testing**  
Wright Plaza  
10 a.m. - 1 p.m.

**\*Pulitzer Nominated Bernd Debusmann**  
Debusmann will discuss the different practices and perspectives of international journalists compared to those of U.S. journalists and American news organizations.  
Mendenhall Student Center Great Room  
10 a.m.

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

**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.

**ACHIEVE: Saving Time Researching Your Paper in Your Room**  
Learn about all the tools Joyner Library has to offer and how you can do the majority of researching for your papers in the comfort of your own room  
Fletcher Hall Lobby  
7 p.m.

**Great American Smoke-out**  
Wright Plaza and Christenbury Gym  
10 a.m. - 1 p.m.

**Defining Consent Rape Workshop**  
Carly Love, a local women's rights activist, will host workshops focused on defining the concept of "consent" and the importance of rape and sexual assault/abuse awareness.  
Mendenhall Student Center  
4 - 6 p.m.

**Breaking Down the Walls of Silence**  
Nancy Hulse will present "Breaking through the Walls of Silence," an interactive lecture.  
Mendenhall Student Center Multipurpose Room  
7 - 9 p.m.

**BSU Second Annual AIDS Benefit Fashion Show Tryouts**  
Mendenhall Student Center Room 244  
7 p.m.

**Graduate student council general session meeting**  
Mendenhall Student Center Multipurpose room  
7 p.m.

**Mini Fall PowWow**  
Mendenhall Brickyard  
12 - 4 p.m.

**Johnny Nap Country Concert**  
Pirate Underground  
7 p.m.

**Jazz at Night**  
Mendenhall Great Rooms  
8 p.m.

**South Park: The Movie**  
Come see *South Park: The Movie* and get a free "Blame Canada" Canadian Flag!  
Hendrix Theater  
Midnight

**Salsa Dance**  
Presented by the Folk Arts society of Greenville and ECU Folk & Country Dancers  
Willis Building, First and Reade Streets  
7:30 p.m. lesson  
8:30 p.m. dance

**ECU Fall Open House**  
ECU Wright Auditorium  
All day

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Student Recreation Center  
9:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

**Community Yard Sale**  
Proceeds benefit ECU Biology Graduate Students  
423 Kempton Drive  
12 - 4 p.m.

**End of Semester Meeting for Club Sports**  
Student Recreation Center 238  
6 p.m.

**Eastern Youth Orchestra Concert**  
A J Fletcher Recital Hall  
9 p.m.

## \*Featured Event:

### Bernd Debusmann

One of the most experienced journalists in the business, Bernd Debusmann was named Special Correspondent for Reuters in October 2005, with a brief to cover the world and provide stand-back stories that put important developments into context and anticipate trends. He will discuss the different practices and perspectives of international journalists compared to those of U.S. journalists and American news organizations.  
Mendenhall Student Center Great Room  
10 a.m.

## BRIEFS

### Police: Accused child molester faked his own death

(AP) — Georgia and Texas authorities are searching for a man they believe faked his own death to avoid trial on charges he molested his fiancée's 12-year-old daughter.

A lawyer for Julian Dale Pipkins, 40, of Peachtree City, Ga., told a judge on Nov. 6 that his client had drowned in a fishing accident near Galveston, Texas, days before his trial was scheduled.

But police say Pipkins' 16-year-old son, who initially told police that his father drowned while the two of them were fishing in Galveston Bay, has recanted the story, and now says his father made up the tale and is hiding from authorities in north Texas.

Superior Court Judge Paschal English Jr. issued a warrant for the suspect's arrest shortly after Liston reported the alleged

drowning, based on the suspicious disappearance.

"A lot of people have gone to a lot of trouble because of this," Ballard said.

In March, Pipkins was arrested after his fiancée flagged down a police officer and told him she caught Pipkins having sex with her daughter in their Peachtree City apartment.

He said Pipkins had been free on a "substantial" bond and that the terms of most bonds allow a suspect to travel within the U.S. but not outside the country.

### Dignitaries gather to break ground on King memorial

(AP) — Friends and family of the Rev. Martin Luther King Jr. joined national leaders Monday on a cold, wet field between the Lincoln and Jefferson memorials to break ground for a national monument honoring the preacher from Georgia whose legacy still rever-

berates throughout the world.

"It seems like only a few years ago that I stood with Martin Luther King Jr. ... a short distance from here on the steps of the Lincoln Memorial," said Democratic Rep. John Lewis of Atlanta, referring to the civil rights pioneer's "I Have a Dream" speech at the 1963 March on Washington. "He spoke to the conscience of all of us."

"What war has ever resulted in positive, lasting peace?" asked King's oldest child, Martin Luther King III.

The memorial will sit on four acres along the Tidal Basin, featuring stone carvings and a wall of engraved quotes with water flowing over them. It will be the first to honor an African American civilian on the Mall.

"I think it's about time; it's appropriate. Martin Luther King, I don't think, was for one race of people. He was for all people," said Wilson Ross Jr., a Vietnam

War veteran who traveled from his home in Fayetteville, N.C., to attend the event.

### Man Expertly Handles Shark Attack

(KMTR) — A 29-year-old Canadian man has narrowly escaped what could have been a fatal shark attack off the coast of Maui, Hawaii.

The Honolulu Advertiser reported Kyle Gruen of Vancouver, British Columbia, was about 30 to 40 feet offshore Saturday when a shark grabbed him, causing a large gouge above his knee and wounds on the upper thigh. Gruen used a technique he has learned as a lifeguard to escape any further damage from the shark's jaws, pulling away and kicking it. Gruen was taken to Maui Memorial Medical Center where he was treated.

Gruen arrived in Hawaii last Friday to be the best man at a

college buddy's wedding, the newspaper said.

It's a bad way to start a vacation, said Jeff Gruen, Kyle's brother who was traveling with him. It's bad luck, but it could have been a lot worse. He's really lucky.

### Driverless Truck Moves in Circles

(KMTR) — A pickup truck went into reverse in a California town when its driver got out to inspect the load.

Police in Irvine had to use a spike strip to bring the truck to a stop, the Orange County Register reported. The vehicle, a 1970 Ford F-150, was moving backward in an oval pattern.

"Thanks to the engineering of that truck's front end, it just stayed in a circle the whole time," said Police Lt. Rick Handfield.

The driver told police he believed that cardboard loaded into the back had come loose.

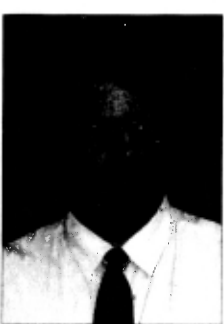
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of Chile's 13,000 public schools by 2010 (coinciding with Chile's bicentennial celebration).

The biggest challenge White says he faced was the fact that he does not speak Spanish. While many Chileans spoke English and even though he had a translator, the time for translation cut down on time to work.

White hopes to brush up on Spanish for his work in the future. White's experience in Chile was, as he described it, "a positive perspective on having the ability to get things done. A lot of places that you go to they can find a hundred reasons you can't do something, they found at least one reason to do something."

After visiting all types of different libraries in a variety of settings with a variety of capabilities and resources, several points came to mind. They're kind of summed up by the philosophy of the director of the San Tiago public library: To believe in what was possible, to dream of what was possible and to not be afraid of the work that is



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required to bring it to reality. "That if you had a passion for what you were doing, and you could envision it and dream it, that with a little sweat you can bring it to reality. That anything was possible that way."

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didn't have any idea of where I was supposed to stay two weeks prior to when I was supposed to leave. I don't know if this was because of ECU or the program in Manchester. Also the exchange rate was horrible, it cost me about two times as much to do everything," Sullivan said.

Though this program did give Sullivan a few minor headaches, when asked would she do it again she states, "absolutely, if I had the money."

This program allows you to bring back with you not just knowledge but memories and life changing experiences. It gives you a different perspective than what is printed in textbooks or shown in the media. It gives you a taste of culture, first hand.

To participate in this program there are requirements and an application process. This program requires that you have at least a 2.5 GPA (some programs require a 2.75 GPA). You must also have completed 30 credit hours, be a full-time student, and if studying

a language other than English, you must have four semesters of college level instruction in that language. The first step in the application process is you must speak with a faculty member that is going to the country you wish to study abroad. Next you must fill out the Study Abroad Application.

This program including tuition and fees, housing and meals, cost approximately \$5,385.50 for in-state undergraduate students, \$10,638.50 for undergraduate out-of-state students, \$5,622.00 for in-state graduate students, and \$10,780.00 for graduate out-of-state students.

The Study Abroad Program is an opportunity for students to leave the ideals they are accustomed to an experience another country's culture. It is easy to appreciate life as you have always known it but to experience some one else's could change your perspective for a lifetime.

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# Opinion

{Home of the Pirate Rants}

## Breaking our own stereotypes

We all need to take a stand against television's portrayal of life during college

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OPINION WRITER

Some students might describe college life an academic struggle, filled with late night parties, promiscuous sex and experimentation with drugs — a view that correlates with the way college age kids act in movies, TV shows and books.

Is this how we want to be represented?

We are the next generation. Why is it that these risky behaviors enthrall us so? It is obvious that this is what we feel we are supposed to do here. These are the "best years of our lives," so wouldn't we want to remember them?

Society's ideas of what college age kids do for their four cherished years drive our media fictions. For instance, movies like *Animal House* began this tradition of the "party hearty" college when it exploded in theaters. *The Rules of Attraction* depicts students using drugs regularly, skipping class and even getting drunk with their own professors. Is there no sacred line between reality and fiction? Movies and TV shows are entertaining, that is their purpose.

TV shows like "The OC," "One Tree Hill," even "Gilmore Girls," which are geared toward high school and college-aged girls, show college students and older high school students participating in the behaviors they should avoid. In reality, these risky behaviors, drug use, promiscuous sex and faltering academically, directly affect our futures.

Over-extensive drug use affects people mentally for the rest of their lives. Valuable memories may become inaccessible because of the damaged nerve endings and cells in the brain. According to the National Institute on Alcoholism and Alcohol Abuse, 31 percent of college students qualify as having an alcohol problem. This is due to the rise in binge drinking and the widespread idea that you cannot have fun unless you are drunk. These behaviors lead to the academic struggle that comes along with excessive partying. The NIAAA states that 25 percent of students are sinking academically directly due to alcohol use. In these movies and TV shows, the risky behaviors are reinforced by positive results in their career fields and their lives that rarely happen in reality.

The movie and TV society depicts girls ready to have sex at the drop of a dime. If we want to reduce this behavior on campus, why are we allowing these high school girls and boys to idolize the dramatic slut or the womanizing jerk? The NIAAA states that about 400,000 students between the ages of 18 and 24 have unprotected sex. In addition, the rumor is that one in four students at ECU has a sexually transmitted disease. We have to defeat the stereotype.

It is our duty to change what people think and generalize about how college students act. Participating in these activities is risky. ECU is a prestigious university and we need to act like it. There is a time and a place for this "risky business," and each day at ECU is a chance at education.

We need to rise to the occasion and eliminate the idea that we are a "party school." Yes, it will be difficult for the student body to take the initiative to change that stereotype. It is a common part of today's common college society to party. However, we must consider, is it because we want to participate directly in these risky behaviors? On the other hand, do college students participate solely because it is what the movies and TV tell us to do?



## PIRATE RANTS

Take a look, it's in a book, a "Reading Rainbow!"

Thank goodness, my letters are now GDI instead of the three they were before.

You keep saying I love you more. And I like it.

I'm going to run to the bottom of the hill and build a wooden bridge so I don't have to walk around the perfectly good one that they never finished fixing.

Yes, I am aware I have large (and quite wonderful) breasts. Could you please stop staring at them? I don't even wear tight clothes! You look like an idiot when you try to see through my oversized sweatshirt.

I hate my roommates... anyone want to trade?

Why is the heat in my apartment set for 75 degrees? I don't remember signing up to live in a sauna.

If you only knew what he was doing with me.

I thought toilet papering someone's house was cool in the sixth grade, not now.

I would like to know why everybody is complaining. The complaints about teachers, school work, boyfriends, girlfriends, roommates... Must I continue? These are the best years of our lives. Why clutter other people's lives with mindless crap? I've got less than six months left here and I'm gonna enjoy it. Why can't everybody else?

To the girl who grabbed my butt, thanks that really made my day. I hope it was a girl.

Really, I am trying not to be fat but I am a procrastinator so my diets always start next week.

Eat your food.

I love our football team. Way to go boys! Goooooo Pirates!

Am I the only one that sometimes feels overwhelmed and depressed here? Life can get

pretty hard sometimes. We all know this, so why is it that people have to act perfectly happy all the time? We are humans.

Why is it that I was parked in a No Parking Zone for 15 minutes and I got towed, but my car breaks down and I have to wait two hours for a tow truck?

525,600 minutes... I have wasted listening to that stupid song! Thanks friends here at ECU!

Is it a bad thing that I wish I could seduce my professors for As?

First of all, Chuck Norris jokes are not funny anymore. Secondly, how strange is it that Republicans said that all Democrats have done since the election is wine, but now that the Democrats have the Senate and the House the Republicans are doing the whining. Shut up, nothing can change it... and W is still garbage. The End.

Can we just skip to Thanksgiving break?

If you're not sexy, please refrain from singing "Sexy Back," at least in public.

After the fog of liking someone lifts, it is real easy to see all the problems and issues a person really has. I want to thank my ex, now I will second-guess every girl I'm interested in.

Ain't no party like a Mario party cause a Mario party is the bomb!

Geez people! Just because there are leaves on the street slightly covering the markings does not mean they do not exist! Please take the two seconds it takes to check and make sure you are in the lines!

I wanted to commend the one SGA Congressman who actually stood up and opposed a fee increase. Too bad SGA approved every fee increase.

I want it to get cold and stay cold till mid to late February.

Matthew McConaughy was not at the Marshall game. It was

just a rumor floating around campus. How many of you actually believed that?

I just want to take the time to thank every person who is in the military! Even though I am not for the war, I give you all of my respect for what you do. I pray everyday for you!

How can a potter's wheel cost twice as much as a freakin kiln?

"It was very special for all of the seniors, especially the ones who have been here for five years," this makes me giggle...

It's because of your lack of vision that students are priced out of a college education.

Could everyone please stop making your finger into a hook at every game? Trying to make a hook out of your finger looks almost as ridiculous as the wolfpack sign. However, giving away plastic hooks at the game to the fans is a great idea!

We are the second best football team in the state, after Wake. Who'd think that was going to happen? Ha. State sucks.

I just wanted some ice cream.

I wish my chemistry professor would stop lecturing the class on what it takes to pass his class. I think we get the picture since we're basically teaching ourselves the material.

Either TEC doesn't like posting democrats' views, or there's not very many of us out there. Stop bashing democrats because they control the House. Overgeneralizing democrats into the comments made is both childish and ignorant. Get over it.

If you are supposed to be a friend, even considered a family member, then why on earth would you play lattle-late, instead of going to the person directly.

I love pancakes.

Yes, I had a party and no, I didn't invite you.

## RANT OF THE DAY

Can we just skip to Thanksgiving break?

## All dolled up

Barbie almost looks pale by comparison

BRIDGET TODD  
OPINION WRITER

My niece squeezes my pointer and middle finger with her little hand in excitement. For weeks now, she has been asking, no, begging me to take her to Target and look at toys Santa might bring her.

I guess kids prepare for the holiday season early. She squeals, drops my hand and runs toward the dolls. "I'm gonna ask Santa for this," she chirps, hugging a Bratz doll to her chest. I take the doll and examine it. The doll's name is Cloe. She's a supposed baby, part of the Bratz Babyz line, yet she's wearing a pleated miniskirt and a tight-cropped shirt exposing her midriff. Her bright red lips are puckered like a supermodel's. She has big flirty eyes with long, curly eyelashes. I can't help but notice that for a baby, Cloe is pretty dolled up.

As a kid, I could play with Barbies for hours, but now I abhor their excessive make-up, perfect bodies and lack of ethnic range. When I was young, there was just fair blonde Barbie or Naomi Campbell-like brown-skinned Barbie. Even still, while I don't think Barbies are positive entities for girls to admire, she isn't as awful as the Bratz dolls.

At least Barbie has jobs. Occupationally speaking, the woman gets around — she has been a dentist, an astronaut, a baseball player, a businesswoman, a doctor, a ballerina, an ice skater and so forth. As a child, I would make up elaborate plays wherein Barbie struggles to get to the space station to go to Mars, while first finishing her baseball game. The Bratz dolls don't do anything, or at least anything approaching a career. They're sexy and, according to the Bratz television show, they like to spend time shopping for clothes and accessories.

And, despite Barbie's large plastic breast mounds, she looks somewhat tasteful. She wears make-up, but it is a far cry from the extreme where make-up of the Bratz dolls. It is much easier to picture Barbie working in an office or going to the movies than prostituting herself. Unfortunately, this is not the case for the Bratz dolls, who often just wear panties, baby-tees and lipstick. Even worse, some of the Bratz dolls are supposed to be babies. Isn't there something a little unsettling about a sexy toddler? The sexualization of little girls is dangerous. It blurs the sexual borders between adolescents and children, which need to stay clear-cut.

As for my niece, I never thought I'd see the day that I'd hope she'd yearn for a Barbie. Still, maybe she'll ask Santa for one and then she can spend hours figuring out how Barbie will finish her businesswoman work before winning the World Series.

## Living life on the Web

The newest form of student addiction

RYAN COBEY  
OPINION WRITER

As college students, we commonly associate our absences from class and failing grades to an excessive amount of alcohol and/or partying. It is, after all, the stereotypical explanation society gives to justify our misdeeds. However, we tend to ignore other, newer influences in our lives that are just as dangerous and addictive as alcohol.

You may be surprised to know that this highly addictive drug I am speaking of is actually the Internet. But how can the World Wide Web even be compared to a mind-influencing drug such as alcohol? The answer lies in the daily time we spend online.

When I roll out of bed in the morning, I instinctively turn my computer on and check my e-mail, before even taking a shower or brushing my teeth. And usually, by the time I'm finished with my morning computer routine, I have less than 10 minutes to take a shower and make it to class before the Joyner bell rings nine times. This is something that too many of us are guilty of and just one reason out of many that explains the seriousness of an Internet addiction.

How about the long nights spent surfing the Web until four in the morning as a distraction from a paper you should be working on? Again, I'm just as guilty of this as everyone else. After all, immersing myself in the daunting task of finding the absolute best background picture for my MySpace page is much more intriguing than writing a four-page paper on why French people are smelly and mean.

Honestly, why even go meet with friends to see a movie when you can just download the same movie and watch it in the comfort of your own cubicle-sized room? The Internet is an addiction because of its convenience. Stereotypically speaking, Americans are some of the laziest people in the world. If we can ship out our dirty laundry to be washed or buy our groceries online, we will do it. The same can be said for talking with friends; with programs like AOL instant messenger, who needs to meet up on campus and chat?

Don't get me wrong, I owe the majority of my research project references to the Internet, as well as many other school assignments, but because of that I am completely dumbfounded when walking into Joyner Library. If you gave me a book title to go look up, I wouldn't have the slightest clue where to start. That bothers me in a way. As a college student I should be able to at least know where to look in order to find books in my university library, but I haven't the slightest clue as to what all the numbers mean on the sides of the bookshelves — however I'm pretty certain of what the letters mean.

We are now a nation that needs to be online just as much as we need electricity. It is such a convenient tool that we substitute things like reading, playing sports, going to class and simply going outside for it. The Internet may not impair your driving or increase your blood-alcohol level, but it can surely cause you to fail a class, and the constant inactivity of sitting in front of a screen all day can hurt your body just as much.

## JUST ASK JANE

Need advice? Want answers? Just ask Jane.

Dear Jane,  
I am having girlfriend problems. I am wondering how should I break up with her after a two-year relationship because I don't want to hurt her. But there is no love anymore in our relationship. What do you think I should do?

Sincerely,  
Heart Breaker

Dear Heart Breaker,

Unfortunately, breaking up is hard to do. Since you've been invested in this relationship for the last two years, it probably isn't a good idea to simply walk out without explanation. I say a good long talk is in order. No one is going to want to have this discussion, but it's a necessary evil. Begin by telling her that you care about her and respect her (and that you always will), but there are some things concerning your relationship that you need to make known. The most important thing is that you explain yourself as completely and as honestly as possible. Explain why you want out (really... it will save her many long

hours on the phone with her girlfriends wondering out loud what went wrong) and assure her that she's still beautiful and worthy of being loved. Yes, it sounds cheesy, but after this talk, she's probably going to feel vulnerable. One way to break the ice on the subject is to ask her how she's feeling about your relationship, so you can gauge her response and have a better idea of what to say and how delicately to approach the situation. She may tell you that she's noticed a change... Perhaps you two haven't had as much physical contact, maybe the sparks have gone out for her, too, and both of you have been too afraid to say so. If you find out that she doesn't sense anything is different and is still fully satisfied, parting ways may not be so difficult or painful, as long as you're honest. It's unfair to you, too, to be involved in something that just doesn't "do it" for you. Remind yourself (and her) that you will always have the best of memories and that you don't necessarily have to disappear entirely from her life; if you're up for it, you can still be friends after the dust settles. One of the scariest things about breaking up (and a lot of other aspects of life) is simply the change of having someone by your side and then having to fly solo.

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# Pulse

{ Pirate Buzz }

## Project road trip: Washington, D.C.

### Horoscopes:

**Aries**  
Focus on doing a very good job, and gather enormous rewards. This is not only a lot of work; it's also a lot of fun.

**Taurus**  
Be cheerful but consistent. Don't let the others talk you into spending money foolishly.

**Gemini**  
You may have to hire something done you could do yourself. Successful people do it all the time.

**Cancer**  
Don't think about this moment, although it's the one you're in. Think about how what you're doing will change your life, for the better.

**Leo**  
Hide low, and let the storm rage, without your intervention. You've earned a little time for yourself, in your own safe place.

**Virgo**  
Don't settle for second best. Be the champion. All it takes is a little more work at something you really enjoy.

**Libra**  
Hold onto what you've acquired, and get it all organized. File it where you can find it again.

**Scorpio**  
You and your friends can do just about whatever you decide. You're the leader and the planner; don't doubt that for a minute.

**Sagittarius**  
Maintain your course, even if there are temptations to the left and to the right.

**Capricorn**  
You have a good team at your disposal, which makes your life easier. Tell them what you want done, and let them come up with the plan.

**Aquarius**  
You have an objective in mind, and don't forget it for a minute. Don't waste your money impressing your friends; use it to benefit others.

**Pisces**  
It's up to you to believe the goal can be achieved, without evidence. It's up to somebody else on your team to provide the data. If you don't have somebody like that, get one.

### Recipes:

#### Hot Apple Cider Toddy

- 3 cups apple cider
  - 1 stick (8 tablespoons) butter, softened
  - 1/4 cup light brown sugar, packed
  - 1 teaspoon ground nutmeg
  - 1 teaspoon ground cinnamon
  - 1 teaspoon ground cloves
  - 8 graham crackers
  - 1 teaspoon pumpkin pie spice
  - 2 teaspoons rum extract
  - 2 cups non-dairy whipped topping
  - 4 whole cinnamon sticks
  - 4 shots bourbon whiskey
- Heat the apple cider in a non-reactive saucepan. In a bowl, combine the softened butter, brown sugar, ground nutmeg, cinnamon, and ground cloves. Whip until the butter becomes creamy and the ingredients are incorporated. Place the graham crackers and pumpkin pie spice in a plastic baggie and crush with a rolling pin. Combine the rum extract with the non-dairy whipped topping. In a footed coffee glass, place a single cinnamon stick and a slice of spiced butter. Pour 1 shot of whiskey into the glass. Ladle the hot cider to fill the glass. Garnish with a dollop of rum-flavored topping and a sprinkle of graham cracker crumb mixture. Serve warm.

### Mendenhall Movies

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- Saturday 11/18 @ 7 p.m. and midnight
- Sunday 11/19 @ 9:30 p.m.



The World War II Memorial in Washington, D.C. is one of the many opportunities to enjoy free sightseeing in D.C.

### An affordable and historical weekend escape

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A visit to the nation's capital may sound like something only done on school field trips or

when money is in abundance, but you'd be surprised at the appeal Washington, D.C. holds for the college student. With a surplus of free museums, monuments, memorials and very cheap meals, this makes for a very exciting, culture-rich vacation.

Merely four hours away from Greenville, your only major monetary concern is where to stay and,

depending on when you go, Web sites like expedia.com and travelocity.com offer very reasonable hotel rates. Also remember that the more you split the ticket the better it will be for you, so sign up as many friends as you can. You could also get a hotel just outside of the city on the Metro line and simply hop a train into D.C. for a few bucks a day.

Once situated, you need to know where it is you should go for a good time in D.C. Obviously there are the historical monuments and memorials to visit for a bit of U.S. history and photo ops. Located within walking distance of the Washington monument are the Lincoln, Jefferson, World War II, Korean War and Vietnam memorials.

Of course the dose of history doesn't stop with these marble marvels, there are many free museums around the city that hold something for everyone. The National Gallery of Art holds pieces by Lichtenstein, Monet, Seurat, Manet and Renoir. At the Air and Space museum you can find moon and space artifacts and planes galore. You may also want to check out the Native American museum, the city's newest addition.

For those who are not overly weak at heart, the Holocaust museum is very moving and takes about three hours to get completely through. When you first arrive, you are given a "passport" which describes a Jewish person who experienced the Holocaust. Through the various stages of the museum you read more and more information about the person described and eventually discover whether or not they survived. It's hard to leave the place with a dry eye, so go light on the makeup and bring some tissues.

After you've gotten your fill of historical sites, there is still plenty to do in the city. There are tasty restaurants at every turn and many of these are actually quite affordable. If you're in the mood for a sandwich, you should check out Foggy Bottom Pub in Foggy Bottom near the George Washington University. There's something on the menu for everyone and everything is very filling and affordable at around six dollars a meal.

Also in Foggy Bottom is Thai Place, a relatively cheap and definitely yummy Thai restaurant. Così (think Panera, but not), Potbelly's and California Pizza Kitchen are all quick, cheap stops that can be found in various spots around the city. If you're willing to splurge on at least one meal, Nora Asia is an excellent fine dining establishment located in Dupont Circle.

Great shopping is also plentiful in D.C., specifically in Georgetown. Here you can find practically any store you desire and then some. Apart from the typical Gap and Abercrombie stores, there are less common retailers such as H&M and Urban Outfitters as well as other boutiques and specialty shops. Whether you're looking for souvenirs for the family or some fresh duds for your ward-

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Packing your car with winter essentials such as blankets could save you if you get stranded.

## How to prepare your car for winter weather

Be ready when cold weather attacks

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We all know that November leads to some interesting changes in the daily routine. You never know what the weather is going to have in store from one day to the next so it's best to be prepared on all levels, from your wardrobe to your car.

Perhaps you had forgotten about the joys of driving in the winter and were just going to go about business as usual. I assure you, there are several things you don't want to go without doing this winter.

First of all, let's not forget about our lovely friend, Mr. Frost, who likes to spontaneously visit in the night. If you're anything like me, you leave in just enough time to get where you need to be so the last thing you want to do is be scrounging around in your car for something to defrost your windshield with. As driving blindly is not a safe option and CD cases don't always do the trick, make sure you equip your car with a sturdy ice scraper soon because the cold times are creeping quickly upon us.

Maybe that was a no-brainer to you and you are already skeptical as to where this is going, but please, for your own safety, don't stop reading just yet. Assuming you don't want to end up stranded on the side of the road, especially in the already freezing Ohio, you need to be prepared for the worst. In the event that your car should break down, you need to have a couple of blankets stowed away in the trunk so you can keep warm.

Apart from blankets, you should also already have a gas can in your car just in case. Perhaps you should also include a pile of wood and matches, along with graham crackers, marshmallows and chocolate bars so that you may make the most of whatever situation you find yourself in. Since you may be dealing with fire, you will also want to pack some bandages and burn ointment. You can never be too prepared.

Something you may not automatically consider is windshield safety. Any small dings in your windshield can turn into large, unfriendly and unsafe cracks in the winter due to a process known as thermal shock. Not only does this weaken your windshield, making it extremely unsafe in the event of a collision, but it greatly increases the cost of repair.

While repairing a small ding costs around \$50, a new windshield will cost hundreds. So you should have any imperfections rereaked out before the cold really sets in.

Be sure to check all your car's fluids on a relatively regular basis. Your oil should be changed every 3,000 miles and as winter creeps in, you should ensure that your engine coolant is also diluted with water as this prevents freezing and provides great protection for the cold weather.

Also, don't neglect to check your windshield washer fluid and make sure that it is not diluted with water as, unlike engine coolant, it will freeze when it hits the air. Windshield washer fluid is also very useful in melting ice on your windshield if you weren't prepared with that ice scraper we talked about.

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## Saving lives one search at a time

Yahoo-powered GoodSearch donates to charity

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Thanksgiving is getting closer and closer, and soon the holiday season will be in full swing, leaving many people avoiding the busy malls and running to their computers to buy gifts for their friends and family.

As college students, many of us are left to do our shopping online simply because we have no time between last minute homework and final exams to get to the mall and fight the crowd for a few gifts that we can barely afford.

So, this Christmas season, why not shop easily, while doing the world a favor too? I'm sure some of you may be confused now, so this may clear up a few things.

Yahoo has recently created a new search engine, just like regular Yahoo or Google, except for the fact that every time someone types in something to search, money is donated to whatever charity they decide to sponsor.

The search doesn't cost the user anything, no e-mail address is required, and it isn't a big scam to con people out of money. The search engine, called GoodSearch, works like any other search site, while adding a good way for people to show their support for a specific charity, and donate money, without any even coming out of their pocket.

Search engine advertisers, such as Google.com, make over 6 billion dollars each year. Internet entrepreneurs Kev and JJ Ramberg saw how much money these companies were making, and put their heads together to figure out a way that even a tiny fraction of that money could go to make the world a better place.

Their keen eye for creativity combined with business savvy spawned GoodSearch; the Rambergs teamed up with Yahoo to create a search engine where over 50 percent of its revenue could be donated to charity, helping people that probably have never searched the internet before. After all is said and done, each search gives about a penny toward the user's pick of that money could go to make the world a better place.

During the Christmas season most teenagers, college students, parents and people of all ages spend a little time online to search for the perfect presents for their loved ones.

If just half of the millions and millions of people that live in America today search just once using GoodSearch, just imagine

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## Restaurant Review: Moe's Southwest Grill

Let's hear 'em say: 'Welcome to Moe's'

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For anyone who has never experienced the flavor sensations associated with Moe's Southwest Grill along with the innovative atmosphere splashed with festive colors, you may be missing the perfect meal.

The burrito can be considered the perfect meal of choice for anyone because of the variety and creativity of the contents in a burrito. They combine a large portion of food with a healthy twist to create fresh, innovative concepts in environments that resonate with consumers.

This type of restaurant is ideal for a college town because of the funky names of food choices on the menu and the colorful surroundings. The ingredients are prepared on site right in front of your eyes in a manner similar to an old favorite, Subway.

However, not everyone who goes to Moe's enjoys his or her experience. Sophomore computer programming major Jamaal Cannon said that the employees sounded half dead when they recited their greeting, "Welcome to Moe's" as he walked into the restaurant. He went with three other friends and reported that only one actually enjoyed their food. He believed that the food was overpriced and said he would probably not return.

"They have a variety of food with healthy selections, but the theme is lame," said senior broadcast



Moe's Southwest Grill is a great place to savor a meal packed full of exotic taste sensations.

journalism major Bill DiNicola. Hunter Sills, a sophomore art major is a former employee of Moe's Southwest Grill. He talked about his experience working at Moe's by saying, "It is run by young people so it was cool. The atmosphere is inviting and comfortable to eat in. They play classic rock music and make awesome margaritas. They have weird names for the items on the menu such as quotes from the television show 'Seinfeld.' My favorite thing to order from Moe's was the Joey bag of Donuts. It's a burrito. When I worked there it was like working at McDonalds but Mexican. Instead of doing the French fries, we did the chips."

Moe's makes more than just burritos. They also have nachos, tacos, quesadillas, salads, fajitas and other various southwestern foods. For those who are vegetarians they can make their food with the option of excluding meats because they prepare the food right in front of the customer. Sophomore criminal justice major, Rachel King talked of her experiences at Moe's, "The triple Lindy is the best burrito I've ever eaten in my life. They put so much food in it, you can't even eat the whole thing in one sitting. And when you're in college, you need your food to last. Plus their Kaiser salsa rocks. It's also made fresh in front of you. It's delicious. The employees are always saying 'Hey, welcome to Moe's' to every person who walks in. That makes me so happy because they have to interact with you."

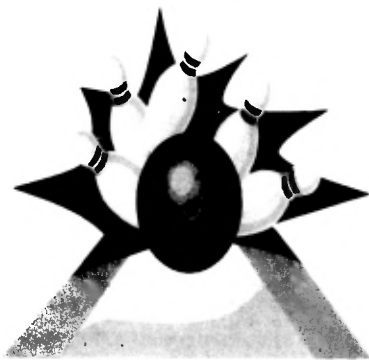
The menu is a pop culture bonanza of Moe's favorite things. Although some may consider Moe's pricey, the amount of food included is overwhelming. If you're looking for a hearty meal that could last for more than one sitting, Moe's is the place to go.

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The Lincoln Memorial provides a great view of one of history's leading men.

robe, it can all be found here. You should also check out Five Guys restaurant in Georgetown where they're famous for their burgers. You can hop on the blue Metro line and arrive at another great shopping locale in minutes. Pentagon City mall is home to as many shopping gems and rare finds as Georgetown but here they are all conveniently located under one roof. The shopping fanatic will certainly not be disappointed with the variety that D.C. has to offer. When it comes to the nightlife, there are quite a few options worth scoping out. There are several popular clubs and bars located in Dupont Circle, Chinatown and Adam's Morgan. Platinum is a club in Chinatown that plays popular music that is approved by the masses while Black Cat and Felix in Adam's Morgan play host to more alter-

native music and occasionally have a DJ. Whatever atmosphere you're looking for, it's not going to be hard to find something that tickles your fancy in D.C. There's a lot more to Washington, D.C. than what makes its way onto CNN and the like. The best part of the city is that you don't have to spend an arm and a leg to have a good time. During the day there are many free memorials and museums to visit and at night you can hit up the very affordable restaurants and bars. Shopping is also a plus but if you don't have the funds, you could always start your Christmas wish list. You should certainly try to take advantage of our proximity to this historic and culture rich city the next time you're planning a road trip. This writer can be contacted at [pulse@theeastcarolinian.com](mailto:pulse@theeastcarolinian.com).

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how fast each of those pennies would add up. Just imagine how many lives each of those pennies could change. There are currently over 20,000 nonprofit organizations and charities benefiting from Yahoo's new search engine, and more than 100 charities and schools are being registered on a daily basis. Charities that users can choose from include things like Save Dartur Coalition, the Families of Muscular Atrophy and the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation, which has currently received over \$1,500 of revenue simply from everyday people using GoodSearch as their search engine for everyday uses. The number of people and the amount of money being raised for all different sorts of charities continues to rise each day. For example, state charities, such as The Elephant Sanctuary in Tennessee have raised more than \$1,800 in only the first few months of being a part of the site. This charity helps fund the country's largest habitat refuge, for endangered elephants. Although it is for a good cause, many users have shown concern regarding the quality of their searches through GoodSearch compared to more popular engines such as Google. However, since GoodSearch is powered through Yahoo, high quality results are guaranteed. As the Christmas season approaches, many of us want to give, but as college students it's hard to find the time or money. So here's your answer: GoodSearch. It's quite possibly the easiest way to get things done while giving back to our community, country and world. This writer can be contacted at [pulse@theeastcarolinian.com](mailto:pulse@theeastcarolinian.com).

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tough on batteries so have yours checked soon. The average battery lasts 3 and a half years so if you think you are due for a new one soon, take your car to your local auto parts store where they can perform a free scan for you. It's better to figure it out now than when you're in Ohio or some other faraway land, stuck in two feet of snow with nothing but your smores as sustenance. Finally, do a quick check to see

if all your lights are in working order. In the event of wintry precipitation, you don't want to cause difficulties for fellow motorists or yourself when you're cruising around with a busted headlight or brake light. While the lights aren't affected by the cold, you or someone else will definitely be affected by their absence. So there you have it, a quick run-through of how to prepare your car and yourself for the uncooperative cold weather that's

just around the corner. Especially if you have any exciting road trips to the North in store, you want to make sure you are set to endure the winter. If you follow these helpful hints hopefully you won't find yourself in an undesirable situation on the side of the highway, but if you do, at least you'll have your blankets and smores to keep you warm. This writer can be contacted at [pulse@theeastcarolinian.com](mailto:pulse@theeastcarolinian.com).

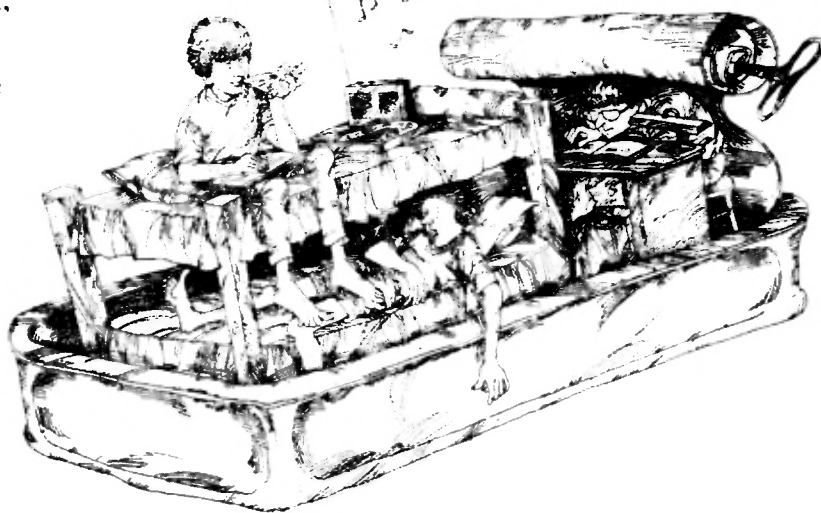
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# Sports

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BY THE NUMBERS

## 2.6

Time remaining when Richmond's Dan Geriot hit a 3-pointer to tie the score 61-61; ECU tried to foul, but Courtney Captain tripped; Geriot's last-second shot was his only try of the game

## 1 ST

Ranking of Ryan Dougherty in career punt yards in Conference USA; the senior punter passed Southern Miss' Mark Haulman (9,308 yards) against Marshall with a 52-yarder in the first quarter; for his career Dougherty has 221 punts for 9,413 yards

## 4

New career-high in field goals by senior place-kicker Robert Lee who was named C-USA Special Teams Player-of-the-Week announced by the league office Monday; Lee hit field goals in each quarter connecting from 21, 22, 38 and 42 yards out; he also nailed three PAT's extending his school-record to 48 straight

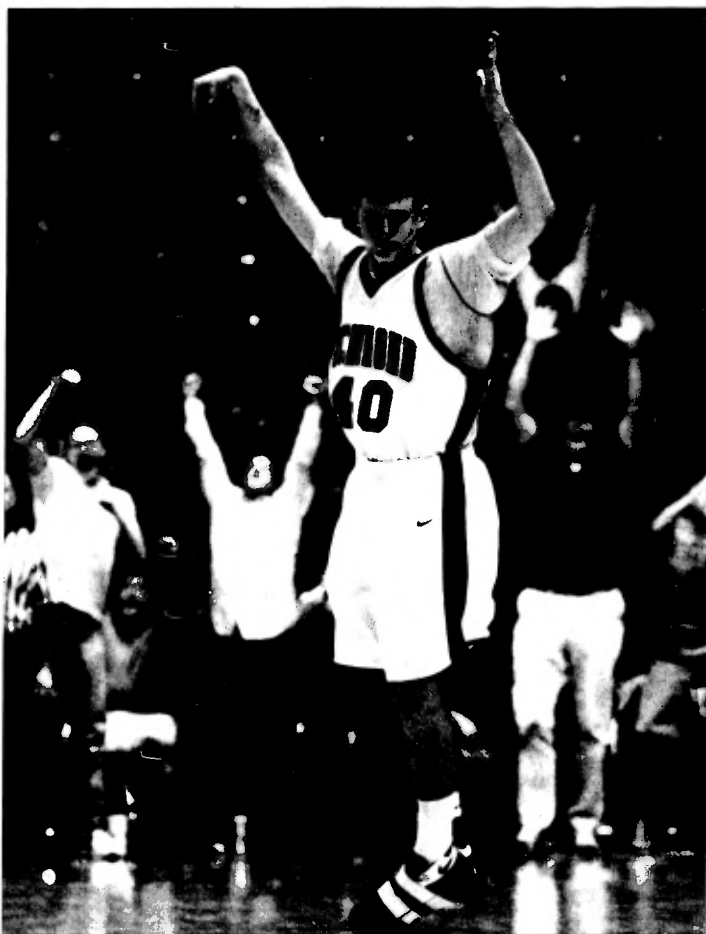
ECU players that have played in the All-American Classic; James Pinkney, who was the only current player selected joins former Pirates Jerry Dillon and Clayton Driver, who both played 1993, as a participant in the sixth-annual All-American Classic; Pinkney will play on the East squad under former NFL head coach Buddy Ryan

## .630

Chris Rushing's winning percentage in his first two seasons as head coach of the volleyball team, putting him first all-time among Lady Pirate coaches; Alita Dillon (1977-80) is second with a winning percentage of .504 and an overall record of 71-

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## Spiders force overtime, send Pirates to first loss



Richmond center Dan Geriot hits from long-range with 2.6 seconds left to force the game into overtime.

(AP) — Ryan Butler's 3-pointer with 1:12 remaining gave Richmond the lead in overtime and the Spiders held off ECU Tuesday night for a 71-67 win.

Following Butler's basket, the Pirates' Courtney Captain hit two free throws to cut the margin to 66-65 with 35.8 seconds remaining. Richmond's Peter Thomas hit a layup, and Captain retaliated with two free throws with 15.8 seconds remaining.

Brian Morris hit a pair of free throws, the Spiders forced Cory Farmer into a turnover and Jarhon Giddings hit one of two free throws with 3.8 seconds to seal the win.

The Pirates (1-1) led by seven with 12:19 remaining. Richmond came back slowly, finally tying the game at 61 on Dan Geriot's 3-pointer with 2.6 seconds left. Over

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### ECU (1-1)

| NO.         | NAME             | MIN | FG    | FT    | PTS |
|-------------|------------------|-----|-------|-------|-----|
| 32          | Gabe Blair       | 36  | 5-10  | 0-0   | 10  |
| 23          | JOHN FIELDS      | 32  | 3-5   | 0-5   | 6   |
| 22          | Darrell Jenkins  | 26  | 1-6   | 2-2   | 5   |
| 8           | COURTNEY CAPTAIN | 36  | 7-12  | 4-4   | 19  |
| 4           | Sam Hinnant      | 30  | 4-8   | 6-10  | 16  |
| 3           | CORY FARMER      | 30  | 2-5   | 2-3   | 7   |
| 15          | Jeremy Ingram    | 12  | 1-2   | 1-3   | 3   |
| 25          | JUSTIN RAMSEY    | 9   | 0-0   | 0-0   | 0   |
| 12          | Taylor Gagnon    | 11  | 0-4   | 1-2   | 1   |
| 34          | BRANDON EVANS    | 3   | 0-0   | 0-0   | 0   |
| Team Totals |                  | 225 | 22-52 | 16-29 | 67  |

### RICHMOND (1-0)

| NO.         | NAME            | MIN | FG    | FT    | PTS |
|-------------|-----------------|-----|-------|-------|-----|
| 40          | Dan Geriot      | 2   | 6-17  | 1-3   | 14  |
| 32          | DAVID BREWSTER  | 17  | 2-3   | 0-1   | 6   |
| 13          | Peter Thomas    | 37  | 6-8   | 3-4   | 16  |
| 44          | RYAN BUTLER     | 35  | 4-12  | 0-0   | 11  |
| 5           | Brian Morris    | 42  | 2-10  | 7-9   | 11  |
| 4           | JARHON GIDDINGS | 24  | 3-4   | 1-2   | 9   |
| 35          | Kevin Hovde     | 19  | 0-1   | 0-0   | 0   |
| 21          | DAVID GONZALEZ  | 13  | 0-1   | 2-2   | 2   |
| 10          | Duncan McLean   | 4   | 0-0   | 2-2   | 2   |
| 54          | DREW CRANK      | 2   | 0-0   | 0-3   | 0   |
| Team Totals |                 | 225 | 23-56 | 16-26 | 71  |

Halftime — Richmond 34-31.

End Of Regulation — Tied 61.

3-Point Goals — ECU 7-26 (Captain 3-8, Hinnant 2-5, Farmer 1-2, Jenkins 1-4, Ingram 0-1, Gagnon 0-2, Blair 0-4)

3-Point Goals — Richmond 9-24 (Butler 3-8, Giddings 2-3, Brewster 2-3, Thomas 1-1, Geriot 1-3, Morris 0-6).

Fouled Out — Geriot, Jenkins.

Rebounds — East Carolina 45 (Blair 15), Richmond 34 (Morris 10).

Assists — East Carolina 10 (Jenkins 3), Richmond 17 (Morris 8).

Total Fouls — East Carolina 25, Richmond 23. A-4,125.

## Defense helps Pirates' ascent



Quentin Cotton leads the Pirates in tackles, averaging 6.3 per game.

(AP) — ECU was picked in the preseason to finish last, yet the Pirates are on a surprising ascent to the top of Conference USA's East Division.

Defense is a big reason why the Pirates have won four straight and are chasing a berth in the league's championship game.

"Defensively, I think this football team has really come together," coach Skip Holtz said Monday. "They're getting better and better every week."

The Pirates (6-3, 5-2 C-USA) have improved dramatically on defense, especially against the rush during their winning streak.

Since beating Southern Mississippi in overtime 20-17 on Oct. 28, ECU's rush defense has climbed steadily from being ranked in the triple digits to 75th with a 144.5 average.

"Twice in last three games, the Pirates have posted their best total defense performances of the season. ECU held Southern Mississippi to 180 yards, and Central Florida was held to 233 yards.

The Pirates slowed some of the best running backs in the league to a crawl during the stretch. Marshall running back Ahmad Bradshaw was held to 26 yards on 10 carries in the team's last meeting, marking the lowest output of the season for C-USA's leading rusher.

Prior to that, ECU held Central Florida's Kevin Smith to 50 yards and Damon Fletcher of Southern Mississippi to 59 yards.

"We had the challenge of facing another 100-yard rusher," Holtz

said. "In the last four weeks we've gone against Fletcher, Smith and Bradshaw."

The Pirates defense has risen to the challenge in a far cry from the beginning of the season when ECU surrendered 405 rushing yards to Navy.

"I don't know that I have had a team progress this far, but I don't know that I have had a team this young," Holtz said. "I said that preseason that we were going to be a much more talented defense than we were a year ago. There are a lot of young guys that did not play a year ago. It was just a matter of them gaining experience."

The Pirates list only one senior and two juniors in their front seven two-deep roster. Sophomore linebacker Quentin Cotton, who played in two games for a total of eight plays last season, has become a force for the Pirates and is second on the team with 57 tackles this season.

ECU plays its final conference game Saturday at Rice, and a victory would vault the Pirates into the league championship game.

Holtz said his team was wary of the Owls, who came up with a big win of their own at Tulsa in their last outing.

"This team really gained our attention, especially when they beat Tulsa," Holtz said. "Knowing the type of losses we've had to Tulsa the last two years, for them to go to Tulsa and win at Tulsa, they really got everyone's attention. This is going to be a really big game for us."



Chris Rushing has led the women's volleyball team to a 39-22 record since taking over the head coaching job.

## Volleyball coaches turn program around



RUSHING

Volleyball set for conference tournament

BENJAMIN LLOYD  
STAFF WRITER

Chris Rushing has made an impression on the volleyball program during his short stint as ECU's head coach. That's not a claim many volleyball coaches in school history can boast. Now he has a chance to claim a larger stake in Pirate volleyball lore with a potential run deep into the conference tournament.

Rushing's squad earned a No. 6 seed, their second straight trip to the Conference USA Championships in Houston, which begins Thursday and ends on Nov. 19.

The Pirates (19-11, 10-6 C-USA) will fare No. 11 seeded UTEP in the opening round Thursday, Nov. 16 at 8 p.m.

Last season, the Pirates were just happy to make it to the post-season. The 3-0 sweep of Southern

Miss in 2005 was ECU's first-ever win in the conference tourney. Now, ECU wants more.

The Miners defeated ECU 3-0 in the second round of the tournament last season, ending the Pirates' season. UTEP swept the Pirates earlier this season in Greenville, as the Miners lead the all-time series 2-1.

The Pirates feel good about their chances, ending the year winning nine of their final 11 matches, including a sweep of the No. 3 seed Memphis, who the Pirates would face in the second round should they advance.

Another first-round tournament win gives the Pirates their fourth 20-win season in school history. It would be Rushing's second in as many years.

Rushing became ECU's 10th volleyball coach in the team's history, taking over for Colleen Munson who took the head coaching job at Western Michigan. Munson, who guided ECU to the C-USA tournament twice (2001 and 2004) also took assistant Ryan Manning with her.

Nearly a month and a half later, Rushing was hired. He began his career at Brigham Young University where he played for four years (1986, 1989-91). He played as an outside hitter on a team that won the NCAA national championship.

In 1991, Rushing got his first collegiate coaching experience when he was hired as an assistant coach at Utah Valley State College in Orem, Utah. After only a year, Rushing went back to his alma mater to coach his only men's team.

Rushing was an assistant

coach at BYU from 1992-94, where the Cougars were ranked No. 8, No. 6 and No. 2 nationally while he was on the staff.

In 1994, Rushing got his first chance at being a head coach. From 1994-95, Rushing served as head coach for Dixie College in St. George, Utah. In two seasons for Dixie College, Rushing led his team to a 47-27 record and the first winning season in six years.

In 1996-97, Rushing took a job as assistant coach on a women's volleyball team for Arkansas State. Arkansas State went 45-21 in the next two seasons in the school's first two seasons at the Division I level.

The assistant coach job at Arkansas State propelled Rushing to be hired at the University of Tennessee-Martin from 1997-2004. Rushing led the Skyhawks to two Ohio Valley Conference regular season championships, one OVC tournament championship and the school's first NCAA tournament appearance. During Rushing's seven years at UT Martin the school record was 110-99. Rushing earned OVC Coach of the Year twice and coached 13 All-OVC players including one Academic All-American.

With a lack of winning tradition, Rushing guided mostly Munson's recruits to a 20-11 season, which was just the third season 20-win season in school history. His win percentage for last season was .645, which puts him third all-time in single season win percentage at ECU.

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the final 9:01 of the second half and through the overtime period, the Pirates missed 13 of 15 field goal attempts.

Thomas led the Spiders (1-0) with 16 points. Geriot added 14, Morris had 11 points with 10 rebounds and 8 assists, and Butler added 11 points.

Captain led the Pirates with 22 points. Sam Hinnant added 13 and Gabe Blair 10 with 15 rebounds.

ECU Head Coach Ricky Stokes is a Richmond native, a former Virginia Tech coach and Virginia star.

**Davis hiring brings end to coaching search**

(AP) — The uncertainty is finally gone for North Carolina. Butch Davis will be the next coach of the Tar Heels.

North Carolina (1-9) hasn't had a winning season since 2001 and supporters are hoping Davis can pull off the same kind of turnaround he led in Miami, taking a team facing NCAA sanctions to the brink of a national championship within five years.

Davis was a longtime under-study of Jimmy Johnson's with Oklahoma State, Miami and the Dallas Cowboys before getting his first head coaching job with the Hurricanes in 1995.

"Butch Davis is one of the best coaches I ever had work for me," Johnson said Tuesday.

Davis coached Miami until 2000, going 51-20 before taking a job with the Cleveland Browns and leaving behind the players with whom Larry Coker won the national title in 2001. He went 24-55 in Cleveland before resigning in 2004 and has worked the past two seasons in broadcasting.

"He is intelligent, hardworking, and he understands what it takes to be a champion," Johnson said. "With his outstanding recruiting ability, he's a great choice for North Carolina."

But quarterback Cam Sexton would prefer to focus on the present, not the future.

"Obviously, you've got to be excited, but we're still working on this year," Sexton said after practice Tuesday night. "We're 1-9, so beating (North Carolina) State and Duke is very important. Maybe outside the program, they aren't important games, but for us, to get two wins against in-state schools we both hate, that's going to be big ... I'd rather talk about (Davis) when we get finished up."

Athletic director Dick Baddour said Davis was his top choice to replace Bunting, who was fired Oct. 22 after the Tar Heels were shut out at Virginia. Bunting will coach the final two games of the season before handing Davis the program.

"There are several pieces of our program that are on solid footing, including our team's academic performance, our current recruiting class and the fact that we redshirted almost this entire class," Bunting said Tuesday at his weekly news conference. "So I think he'll be inheriting some good things. He's got some work to do, and I wish him well."

**Despite win, Panthers still not hitting stride**



Steve Smith hopes to get in-sync with Quarterback Jake Delhomme and make a push towards the playoffs.

(AP) — When Steve Smith first leaned over a garbage can to vomit early in the third quarter Monday night, a lot of Carolina Panthers fans may have wanted to join him.

The Panthers looked sick, unable to run, unable to convert third downs and turning over the ball at key times.

Smith fought through his bout with the flu to catch the decisive touchdown pass in the fourth quarter, though, and Carolina took advantage of four Tampa Bay turnovers to pull out a 24-10 win.

But after a first half when Carolina generated just 98 yards, three first downs and no points, the Panthers (5-4) weren't celebrating in their locker room early Tuesday morning.

"What we've been doing, we don't hold ourselves to those type of standards," defensive tackle Kris Jenkins said. "We have higher expectations here and what we've been doing over the past eight games hasn't been cutting it. I actually like the mood in the locker room."

The good thing for Carolina is its rivals in the NFC South are also struggling. The Panthers are tied with Atlanta for second place in the division, just a game behind first-place New Orleans.

Both teams lost last Sunday.

"We're right in the thick of things," said veteran safety Mike Minter, who recovered one of Tampa Bay's second-half fumbles.

But whether the Panthers turned around a struggling offense with 24 second-half points or just took advantage of Tampa Bay's four turnovers in five possessions remains a question.

"Our defense kept us in the game in the first half. We had some struggles offensively," coach John Fox said. "We made some adjustments and got a little better organized."

Those adjustments included nearly abandoning the running game. DeShaun Foster had 48 yards on 13 carries. DeAngelo Williams, in his first game back after a high ankle sprain, managed only 19 yards on seven carries. Fullback Brad Hoover scored the Panthers' lone rushing touchdown.

Carolina ranks 28th out of 32 teams in rushing with 92 yards per game.

The Panthers were able to get the passing game going in the second half. Smith, despite being ill, had eight catches for 149 yards and Keyshawn Johnson caught the go-ahead touchdown pass in the third quarter.

"Our coaches did a good job recognizing what it was we could take advantage of in the passing game," Johnson said. "We were able to pick them apart down the field so everybody is happy."

The defense was the bright spot. Julius Peppers, after going two games without a sack, had three and recovered a fumble by frazzled Buccaneers rookie quarterback Bruce Gradkowski. Ken Lucas and Shaun Williams had interceptions, and linebacker Chris Draft forced a fumble.

"We got some pressure on them," said Peppers, who took over the NFL lead with 11 sacks. "The D-line helped me out a little bit. I'll take those three. I'm happy to get them and hopefully I can get three next week, too."

The Panthers also finished strong. After blowing three fourth-quarter leads in the first eight weeks, the Panthers outscored the Buccaneers 24-9 in the second half.

"You like to start fast, but it's the way you finish and we finished strong," defensive end Mike Rucker said. "That's what we're going to take out of this game. We hadn't played in two weeks, so you might have a little rust on you. But you knock that off, come out the second half and play some ball."

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**November 17-19**  
Mid-Atlantic Flag Football Tournament hosted by the University of Maryland  
ECU Officials selected to work the tournament Louis Agalotis and Jimmy Heritage

**November 17-19**  
South-Atlantic Flag Football Tournament hosted by the University of North Carolina-Wilmington  
ECU Officials selected to work the tournament: James Coffey, Charlie Kessel, Rachel Moser, Chris Riddle, and David Waskiewicz  
ECU Men's Gold Champion "Da Squad" will be playing in the tournament  
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