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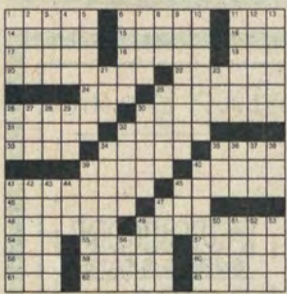


A road trip can be an inexpensive alternative to the expensive exotic locales that many students opt for. Washington, DC is less than 300 miles away, turn to the features section to find out where else you can travel without breaking your budget.....B1



Who will replace Chris Johnson in ECU's offense? Turn to the sports section to see what running backs are fighting for that spot this spring.....A7

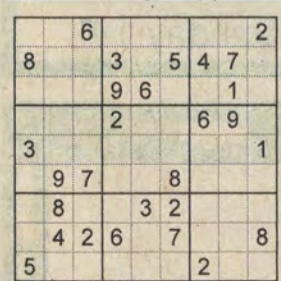
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## Officials address a variety of concerns

### Students take opportunity to pose questions

SARAH CAMPBELL  
EDITOR IN CHIEF

On Wednesday, March 5, students across campus gath-

ered in Hendrix Theatre at 5 p.m. for a discussion with officials titled, "Chat with the Chancellor." Chancellor Steve Ballard took the stage, along with guests Marilyn Sheerer, interim provost and vice chancellor for academic and student affairs, Kemal Atkins, vice provost of student affairs, and Bill

Koch, director of environmental health and safety.

The forum began with an introduction from Keri Brockett, student body president. Abey Dessie, SGA attorney general, acted as the student moderator for the event, posing a variety of questions to the guests.

The first topic of discussion

dealt with the university's initiatives to build diversity. Virginia Hardy, senior associate dean for academic affairs, responded by noting that the main goal is to "create an environment where all students can be successful."

"Right now, we are working on training students to engage in civil discourse," said Hardy. "The information that we gather from these types of talks will be used to come up with a plan of action."

Newly-appointed Kimberly Baker-Flowers, chief diversity officer, invited students to share their questions and concerns.

"My office door is always open, literally and figuratively," said Baker-

The next question posed to the panel dealt with the cost of campus dining and cited the unhappiness that students felt with the prices of food.

Atkins explained to the audience the steps that are taken to ensure that prices remain reasonable for students. Each year, ECU takes part in an exercise that looks at the competitive local marketplace and the university system, in an effort to create competition with merchants.

"This past year, we began to offer more options to students in the way of value meals and combos," said Todd Johnson, associate vice chancellor of campus living. "The introduction of value meals went a long way when it came to keeping prices low."

The future renovations on Mendenhall Student Center have been in the forefront of nearly every discussion throughout the year, and this occasion was no different.

"The end result will be a great student center and Ledonia Wright Cultural Center that will be appropriate for a univer-

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The panel addressed topics asked by the audience about the efforts being made by the university to improve certain areas. Flowers.

## Groups come together to say "Enough is Enough"



Coordinators of the march pass out flyers in West Greenville.

### A march to end juvenile deaths to be held

KIMBERLY BELLAMY  
NEWS EDITOR

Some people have had enough when it comes to the senseless deaths of juveniles and they will show their concern during a march on Friday, March 7.

The Intergenerational Community Center, ECU students, community members and the families of victims are working together to promote awareness about the issue.

The march is titled "When Enough is Enough," and will start at 6:30 p.m. The route for the walk will begin at the center, located at 1100 Ward St., and conclude there as well.

Walkers will make a stop on Imperia Street, the location where Kenneth Andrews was murdered in July of 2007.

Over 100 juvenile deaths have occurred in Greenville within the last 10 years, according to Christopher Taylor of the Intergenerational Community Center. Andrews' death is an example of the type of crime that this march is attempting to eliminate.

Ida Andrews, mother of the victim, shared the story of her son's death at a meeting to finalize plans for the march held on March 5.

The situation that ended with the shooting of Andrews started with a robbery incident.

Shadeek Pittman had broke into Andrews' home and had stolen his wallet and pants. Andrews questioned Pittman about his belongings, which Ida believes were related to Pittman's motives for the crime.

Although the crime wasn't gang related, some were trying to label it as that, according to Ida.

"The police department wanted to automatically say it was gang or drug related, and it was neither," Ida said.

Ida said that her son wasn't involved in a gang. She gave the individuals who attended the meeting an insight into what kind of person her son was.

Andrews had dreams of driving a truck, and eventually a race car. He also wanted to follow in the footsteps of his mother and write a book. Neither of these aspirations were fulfilled before his death.

The coordinators of the event want to give young people in West Greenville hope. They aim to show youth that they can fulfill their dreams, and that resorting to violence isn't the right path to follow.

The ultimate goal is to cut out juvenile deaths and bring father figures back homes, according to Taylor. The organizers of the march are also trying to raise awareness of the amount of youth deaths that hit close to home.

"This not only happens in the neighborhood that I live in, but also in other neighborhoods," Ida said.

"It's one thing to hear something and another thing to feel something," Taylor said.

Coordinators of the march would like more involvement from the community and ECU.

One idea is to recruit more male students, such as ECU football players, to mentor the kids.

While some students are unaware of the issues that happen in communities so close to campus, others have taken an active approach to fixing the problem.

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## Counseling center debunks the myths of waiting lines



The Counseling Center is working to reduce the wait time for students to be seen.

### Facility offers multiple ways to get the help needed

NADIAH SARSOOR  
STAFF WRITER

A close and convenient way to help students cope with their daily distresses may be walking distance away.

Students are mired in their mid-term studies, spring break is just around the corner and relational hurdles either with your roommate, and friend or family members are timeless. With that, the flow of stress is difficult to block.

The ECU Counseling and Student Development Center is committed to helping students with their personal and academic development.

Renita Moore is the Mental Health Outreach Specialist for the Counseling Center.

She said the center offers different counseling services and it's all "dictated by students interest."

Whether the consultation is conducted with a group, couple or individually, is up to the final say of the students that are being seen.

The center grips on to all sorts of problems like personal issues, social issues and development of life and academic skills.

Many students are under the impression that if they aren't able to get an appointment that is in the near future, then they will have a longer waiting time. Moore denied the notion that they have a waiting list.

Some students are having difficulties being seen as soon as they hope to, especially during

peek time, which is normally around exams.

Moore said that's because the number of "staff members may be working against us."

She added how that could be challenging compared to the number of clients present. However, she said "we are trying to fit spots as soon as possible."

Moore also said the priority of appointments are based on the severity of conditions.

Students are advised to set up appointments but they also provide walk in services from . If a psychological appointment feasible, there is also a 24 hour council on call from 10:00-4:00.

Discretion and confidentiality is key to the foundation of their services.

"We are bound by law to remain confidential," Moore said.

If the client chooses to keep police and family members oblivious to their case, they will honor that request unless that person "imposes danger to themselves or others," Moore said.

The office's location is also discrete; it is the only office on the third floor in the Wright Building.

It's difficult for some students to make the move and seek consultation.

"It's really a personal decision to seek out counseling process," Moore said.

Moore added that getting help is taking a step in the right direction and also a courageous effort.

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## PIRATE ANNOUNCEMENTS

Documentary: "This Side of the River"  
Self-Determination and Survival in the Oldest Black Town in America  
Thursday, March 6  
6-8 p.m.  
Hendrix Theatre  
Settled by freed slaves in 1865 and incorporated in 1885, Princeville, NC is the oldest town in the United States founded entirely by African Americans. Come watch the documentary of Princeville and ask questions of the panelists including one of the directors, the current Mayor of Princeville, and our own Dr. David Dennard!

Chemists featured for ECU's Burroughs Wellcome lecture  
Friday, March 7  
2 p.m.

Science & Technology Building, Room C309  
Ei-Ichi Negishi, professor of chemistry at Purdue University and Amos B. Smith, III, professor of chemistry at the University of Pennsylvania, will present their research relative to innovations in chemistry. Free. Negishi will present "ZACA Reaction: Discovery, Development, and Application of a Novel Asymmetric Method for the Formation of the C - C Bond." Smith will present "Recent Advances in Natural Product Total Synthesis Exploiting Anion Relay Chemistry (ARC)." Reception to follow at the Greenville Hilton at 6 p.m. \$15/advance registration, free for ECU students. The Burroughs Wellcome Lectureship is made possible by an endowment established by the Burroughs Wellcome Co., Greenville, NC in January 1995, through the ECU Harriot College of Arts and Sciences.

Apartment Fair  
Tuesday, March 18  
10 a.m.-2 p.m.  
MSC Brickyard  
An apartment fair will be held for ECU students interested in living off campus. More than 30 vendors will be on-site, as well as the ECU and Greenville police, who will be available to discuss safety issues. Free food. WZMB will play music. Sponsored by the Center for Off-Campus and Community Living.

Garrison Keillor "Lake Wobegon Days"  
Monday, April 28  
7:30 p.m.  
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Saturday, March 29  
5-8 p.m.  
Mendenhall Student Center  
Dress Swap '08 is hosted by ECU's NRHH and it is open to all High School girls in Pitt, Beaufort and Wilson Counties. The swap will be held in the multi-purpose room and the great rooms in ECU's Mendenhall Student Center. For more info contact: Lauren at -Inm0527@ecu.edu or Heather at -hkg0220@ecu.edu

<b>6Thu</b> Documentary: "This Side of the River" 6-8 p.m. Hendrix Theatre  Women's Tennis Virginia Tech 1 p.m.	<b>7Fri</b> Opera Production: "The Magic Flute" 2-4 p.m. 7-9 p.m. A.J. Fletcher Recital Hall  Baseball Pittsburgh 5 p.m.	<b>8Sat</b> Live Music: Sin For The Fallen Red Rooster 10 p.m.  Baseball Michigan 3 p.m..  Eastern Youth Orchestra Spring Concert 7-9 p.m. A.J. Fletcher Music Hall	<b>9Sun</b> Baseball Georgia Southern 2 p.m.	<b>10Mon</b> Spring Break	<b>11Tue</b> Baseball VCU 3 p.m.	<b>12Wed</b> Live Music: Mac and Juice & The Get Nice Dr. Unk's Oasis 10:30 p.m.  Live with Biggie Chef's 505 10 p.m.
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## Distinguished visiting professor gives final lecture in one-month series

Speech defines the importance of humanity studies

KIMBERLY BELLAMY  
NEWS EDITOR

The seats of Bate 1031 were filled with individuals who came to hear the final lecture offered by Julian Lethbridge, distinguished visiting Rivers professor of International Affairs, in a one-month lecture series.

Lethbridge gave a lecture about different topics once a week for about four straight weeks, according to Thomas Herron, assistant professor of English.

The latest topic addressed was the study of the humanities. The lecture was titled, "The Function of the Humanities at the Present Time."

Lethbridge gave the subject a humanistic feel by describing humanities in ways that most would relate to living things.

"Everything boils down to the human element," Lethbridge said.

"The humanities are a living species and can go extinct."

Lethbridge also gave the audience a clue of how humanities relates to the concepts of self-consciousness, understanding and freedom.

Some of the other topics Lethbridge lectured on during the month of February were history, theology, and literary criticism, according to Herron.

Herron said that he felt Lethbridge focused on defining what these three topics do and the lecture on humanities was more of a defense of the subject.

The lectures have been such a success that interest has been expressed about having

them published.

"Four or five people in the English department have asked if the lectures will be published," Herron said.

Herron played a part in Lethbridge's arrival at ECU. Different departments apply to bring in someone to act as their distinguished visiting professor.

Herron filled out the application requesting Lethbridge to fulfill the capacity of this position and the English department was chosen.

During his time here at ECU, Lethbridge not only gave lectures but also taught classes and provided assistance to other professors with the department.

Part of the responsibilities for the distinguished visiting Rivers professors is to teach one class per semester, according to Herron.

The work of Lethbridge paralleled with some of the work of others in the English department.

The department has a couple of renaissance professors and Lethbridge is a Renaissance scholar.

The professors and Lethbridge had the opportunity to meet and discuss the issues related to this subject.

Many feel that Lethbridge has become one of ECU's own during his visit. Marilyn Sheerer, interim provost of vice chancellor of academic and student affairs, said that Lethbridge is more like a resident speaker instead of a visiting speaker during her introduction of him at the lecture on Tuesday.

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great student center and Ledonia Wright Cultural Center that will be appropriate for a university this size," Ballard said.

Atkins expressed his concern about the project, but reassured students that they are "working diligently and carefully with other members on campus to make sure that they will still have adequate space."

The topic of safety emerged along with reminders of the shootings at Virginia Tech and, most recently, in North Illinois.

"Nothing bothers a chancellor or president of a public university more than safety," Ballard said. "It is a daunting challenge to run an open campus."

According to Ballard, \$2.7 million has been reserved to ensure that money is available to fund-recurring campus safety initiatives.

The controversial topic of hard waiver insurance once again reared its head, leaving Ballard to explain why he opted to delay the decision for another year. The idea behind hard waiver insurance is

that every attending student must be insured, either by their own source or by a university hard waiver. Advantages include improved health and reduction of the risk of students on campus.

"My main concern is the affordability of education, I don't want to price education out of people's range," Ballard said. "Quite a few students have a hard time affording higher education already, and the introduction of hard waiver would act as the biggest single increase in cost."

A lighthearted question arose towards the end of the session as Stephen Mason, student union vice president-elect, posed the audience question "what is your favorite thing about ECU."

"I just love the spirit of the students, that spirit can be seen in everything we do," said Ballard.

"I was surprised that the question of tuition increases didn't come up, since it is such a vital part of student's lives," Ballard said after the discussion.

Feelings were mixed among audi-

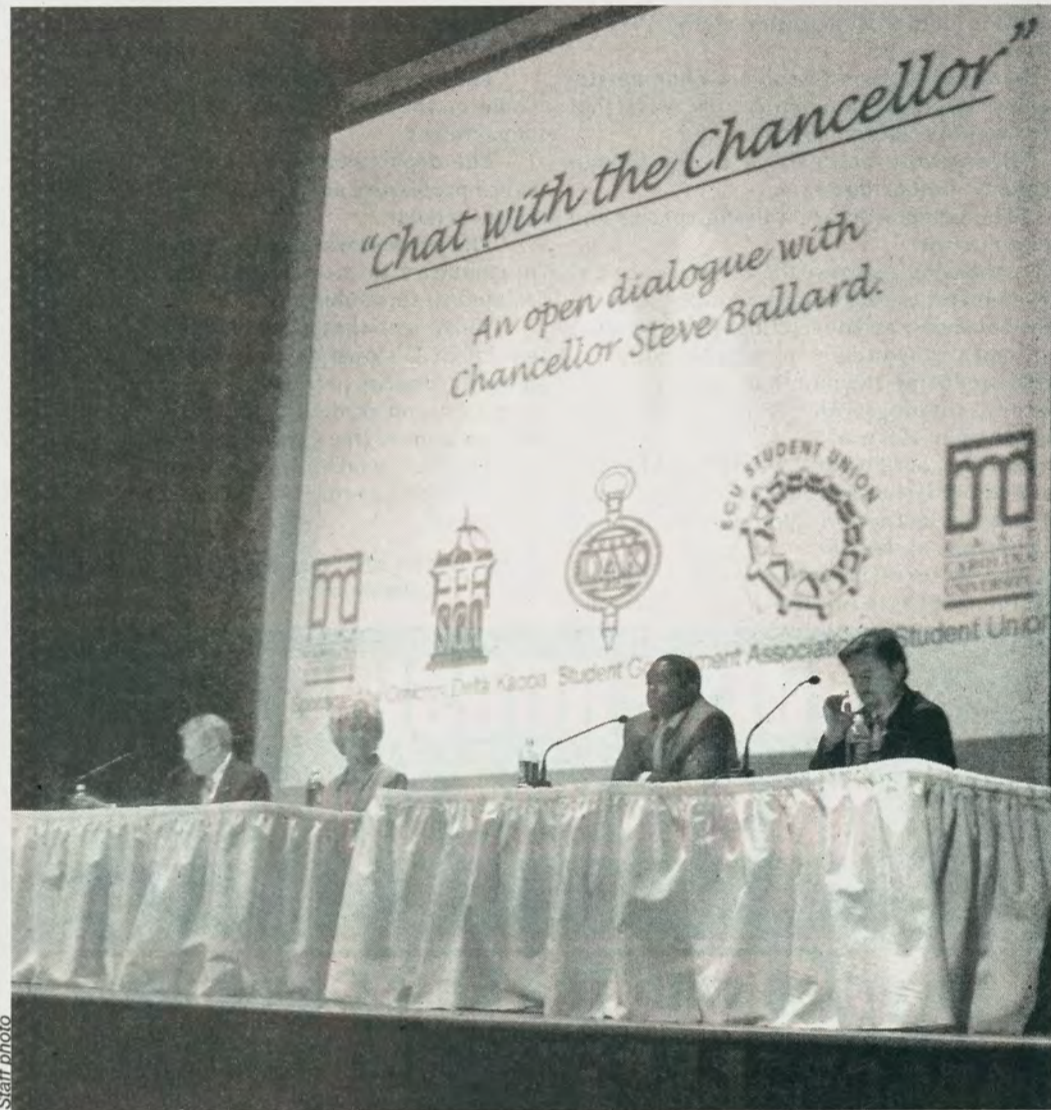
ence members at the conclusion of the chat. "Throughout the chat some questions were answered, but they didn't get to my question specifically," said Malissa Sampson, freshman nursing major.

"My question was about some of the crime alerts that pop up on the screen. I felt that the Wal-Mart shooting should have been covered, because I feel like it could have happened to any ECU student," Sampson continued.

Freshman English education major, Heather Hyers, found the discussion beneficial and comprehensive.

"I think they did an excellent job covering everything. They seemed to be well informed," said Hyers.

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Each panel member offered an expertise in the plans to improve departments or issues on campus.

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The march will start and conclude at the center on Friday.

Ashley Bailor, senior psychology major, and Carlos Gonzalez, intern at the Intergenerational Community Center, both helped by passing out flyers about the march to the West Greenville community.

Both of them have played a vital part in organizing this event.

Bailor admits that she was unaware of the West Greenville situation until she learned about the Intergenerational Community Center through a class project. She thinks that many students are still unaware of these issues.

Coordinators are looking to get more members of the community informed and involved in this problem. Everyone is welcome to come out and participate in the march.

"If you really care about the youth of Greenville, then you will join us in this march," Taylor said.

To find out more about this event, call 328-5800.

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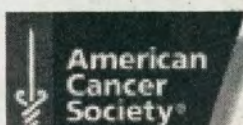
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**CALORIES:** How much energy food produces; average calorie needs of an

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**FATS:** Essential nutrients, but need to be eaten in moderation; no more than 30% of daily calories should come from fat, 10% from saturated fat; one gram of fat has nine calories

**PROTEINS:** Only about 10 percent of daily calories should come from high-protein foods – meat, fish, poultry, eggs, nuts, beans, seeds and dairy products. One gram has four calories.

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Total			300g
Carbohydrate			25g
			30g
Calories per			
Fat	Carbohydrate	Protein	4

**% DAILY VALUE:** Percent of total daily nutritional requirement met by one serving of this food; based on a diet of 2,000

**CHOLESTEROL:** Found in animal products; eat less than 300mg

**SODIUM:** Salt; regulates the body's fluid balance, but too much can raise blood pressure; limit intake to no more than

**CARBOHYDRATES:** At least 55 percent of daily calories should come from complex carbohydrates – grains, legumes, vegetables, some fruits;  
One gram has four calories. Eat about 20 to 30 grams of fiber.

**CALCIUM:** Needed for strong bones and teeth, proper blood clotting, regulation of heartbeat and other muscle contractions, prevention of osteoporosis; RDA for adults is 800 mg., except women over 50 should get 1,200 mg\*

**IRON:** Needed to prevent iron-deficiency anemia; RDA is 10mg for adult men and women over 50, 15mg for menstruating

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### Taking strides in a healthy direction

STAFF REPORT

"Nutrition: It's a Matter of Fact," will serve as the theme for National Nutrition Month. Each year, the American Dietetic Association gives consumers the cold, hard facts on nutrition, and teaches them how to break down barriers formed by nutritional myths.

"It may seem difficult to figure out the most healthful eating plan, and there are

many nutrition myths that people follow as the truth," said Kerry Neville, registered dietitian and ADA spokesperson. "It's important to focus on information that is based on scientific research."

Food and nutrition research can be daunting to the average student, but with the assistance of a registered dietitian, the confusion can be broken down, interpreted and applied to daily life.

Created in 1973, National Nutrition Month serves as a reminder of the importance of eating balanced meals and developing a regular physical routine to maintain a healthy lifestyle.

Campus recreation and wellness

will be offering a number of "Wellness Passport Programs," for the month. On Wednesday, March 19, there will be a Fit Stop diabetes screening for students.

"Food Fight for Your Health" will take place at the student recreation center on Monday, March 24, from 11 a.m.-2 p.m.

National speaker, Michael Feldman, will present a lecture titled "Muscle Bound" at 7 p.m. in Wright Auditorium on Monday, March 31.

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# Johnson still casting a shadow on Dowdy-Ficklen

ECU will have to replace main offensive weapon

JARED JACKSON  
ASST. SPORTS EDITOR

ECU Head Coach Skip Holtz knows what will be on everyone's minds in the coming months before kicking off the 2008 season against Virginia Tech on Aug. 3 in Charlotte.

"Everyone keeps asking how we will replace Chris Johnson at the running back position," Holtz said in his annual pre-spring practice press conference. "There is not a 4.24 40 time in the group, but as a unit, I believe it can be the strongest since we have been here."

The cause of concern amongst the "Pirate Nation" is with warrant, as Chris Johnson is among the very best to ever wear the purple and gold, and perhaps the most explosive running back in the storied history of ECU football.

Johnson, an Orlando, Fla. native, had a record-breaking season for the Pirates in 2007. He led the nation in all-purpose yards, racking up 2,960, which came to an average of almost 228 per game.

In proving he was a player with an incredible set of skills, Johnson also had 37 receptions out of the backfield for 528 yards and six touchdowns.

Displaying his natural ability in running the ball, he rushed for 1,423 on 236, while earning his way into the end zone 17 times.

While the legend of "CJ" grew game after game throughout the course of the season, it was not until the NFL combine almost two weeks ago that Johnson's name exploded onto the national



Senior running back Dominique Lindsay leads the deep group of running backs practicing this spring.

scene. At the combine, he put up the fastest 40-yard dash time of the event, running it in a blazing 4.24 seconds. With that astonishing time, he also

tied the all-time mark.

Pirates' running back Coach Junior Smith knows a thing or two about the position. As a former ECU great himself,

Smith knew Johnson had the ability to run a fast time.

"I was happy for him, I knew that he was fast," said Smith, who currently ranks

as the Pirates all-time leading rushing with 3,745 yards during his 1991-1994 playing career. "I was in front of the scouts last year when he timed here [at ECU], right after spring ball, and the two scouts looked at each other in disbelief. One had 4.18 and one 4.23, and that was handheld. So, to run 4.24 electronically is amazing."

Senior running Dominique Lindsay, most likely the running back that will take Johnson's starting role, knew that CJ had an incredible time in him.

"I've been playing with CJ for three years so I already knew he was a sub 4.2 guy," said Lindsay, who had 205 rushing yards last season and five touchdowns backing up Johnson.

"He is the fastest guy I know, hands down."

When it comes to the NFL, Smith sees Johnson becoming a breakout player.

"I think he is going to be an impact player in the NFL, because he can do so much," Smith said. "Just like he was doing here, putting him in so many positions. I think the thing that is going to excel with him is that he is going to be consistent."

Now with the loss of Johnson, ECU junior quarterback Rob Kass realizes that it is a huge concern.

"We're going to lose a lot [more], in losing Chris Johnson," Kass said. "He is going to make an NFL franchise very happy, very soon."

"We lost a great player," said Lindsay.

With a slew of men competing in spring ball over the vacant running back position, Lindsay believes that they must work well together as a unit in order to be

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# Young pitchers enjoying the weekend



True freshman Seth Maness delivers a pitch against Monmouth last Saturday in his first career start at Clark-LeClair Stadium. Maness is the Pirates' No. 2 starter this season.

Maness and Bristow have embraced roles

RONNIE WOODWARD  
SPORTS EDITOR

At time point last year, T.J. Hose, Dustin Sasser and Josh Dowdy—all underclassmen—were providing the ECU men's baseball team with a dependable weekend pitching rotation and a bright future.

However, Hose, now a senior, is the only one left to trio.

Sasser decided not to return for his senior season after being

drafted by the Chicago Cubs last June and Dowdy was dismissed from the team last fall for a violation of team rules.

Just weeks into the 2008 season, two newcomers have stepped into those formerly absent roles just fine.

Freshman Seth Maness and Auburn University transfer Justin Bristow, have joined Hose in the weekend pitching rotation, which is crucial in college baseball.

Maness was the starting pitcher in each of the Pirates' first two victories of the season, and the young right-hander

holds a 1-0 record after two career starts.

"In my first two starts, I really wasn't looking to do as well as I have been, it's just a great feeling," Maness said.

ECU coach Billy Godwin hasn't been quite as surprised with Maness' hot start to his young career.

"He's going to go out and throw strikes and compete, and that's really what he's done," Godwin said of Maness. "As a freshman, he's going to be huge for us. He's pitched real well in his first two outings, and those have come in two environments

where he could be very nervous."

"Nervous" might be a bit of an understatement.

The freshman who was pitching against high school batters just one year ago, watched Hose, ECU's No. 1 starter, give up 11 runs and not even make it through the second inning against national powerhouse South Carolina, just hours before he made his college debut on Feb. 23.

Maness took the mound in Columbia, SC that Saturday night, game two of a doubleheader, and led the Pirates to

a 13-4 victory, allowing two earned runs and five strikeouts in four innings.

"I look up to T.J. Hose a lot and after watching him go out there and [seeing] what happened, I didn't know what to expect," said Maness. "I didn't know if I was going to go out there and get rocked around, or what was going to happen."

"I was just happy to go out there and throw those four solid innings."

Saturday, one week later,

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# Pirates win slugfest over Old Dominion



Photo by Jessi Braxton

ECU's Harrison Eldridge (above) went 4-for-7 with six RBIs and two runs scored at Old Dominion, including a grand slam that was ruled a 3-run homer because he ran past the runner ahead of him.

## ECU scores seven in 10<sup>th</sup> inning

**ECU SID**—The ECU baseball team evened its season record at 4-4 by defeating Old Dominion 20-13 on the road Tuesday night, but the win didn't come easy.

Despite leading for most of the game, the Pirates' needed to score run in the top of the ninth to push the game into extra innings.

Then in the tenth, ECU exploded for seven runs, securing the win.

Heading into the 10th frame with the game tied at 13, six consecutive batters reached base sparking the seven-run inning.

Ryan Wood lead off with a single down the right field line, then moved to third on Stephen Batts' single up the middle.

After Kyle Roller drew a walk to load the bases, Wood crossed home for the game-winning run when Dexter Carter plunked Brandon Henderson with a high fastball putting the score at 14-13 in favor of ECU.

Corey Kemp and Jamie Ray drew back-to-back walks scoring Batts and Roller before the Monarchs (4-4) were able to record the first out. Freshman Dustin Harrington reached on an error by third baseman Jake McAloose scoring Henderson and setting up Harrison Eldridge's final at-bat of the game.

Leading 17-13, Eldridge stepped up to the plate with the bases loaded and took a Carter pitch over the right-center field wall for what looked like a grand slam. But the umpires ruled that Eldridge ran past Harrington in the base paths and was called out at second base, but not before Kemp, Ray

and Harrington all touched home capping the scoring at 20-13.

Trailing by one, 13-12, with one out in the ninth, Ray laced a triple to right-center to start the Pirate rally. Justin Bristow reached on a fielder's choice that saw Ray get caught in a run down for the second out of the inning. After Trent Ashcraft pinch ran for Bristow, Harrington fouled off five consecutive pitches on a 1-2 count before his RBI single to right field knotted the game at 13.

Brett Butts (1-0) picked up his first win of the season after working one inning of relief in the ninth inning. The senior from Goldsboro entered the inning with runners at first and second and no outs. Butts struck out Anthony Shawler, got Chris Buss to ground out and fanned McAloose to work a perfect frame. Pirate starter Sthil

Sowers lasted 1 2/3 innings in his first collegiate start, giving up four runs (three earned) on five hits with two walks and two strikeouts before giving way to Daniel Holder in the second. Holder (3.1 IP, 3 H, 5 R, 5 ER, 3 BB, 5K) was one of seven ECU pitchers to make an appearance in the game. Josh Ruhlman (0.0 IP, 2 H, 1 R, 1 BB), Seth Simmons (1.1 IP, 3 H, 3 R, 3 ER, 3 K), Matt Laney (1.2 IP, 3 H, 2 BB) and Brad Mincey (1.0 IP, 2 K) all saw action on the hill.

David Wagner suffered the loss for the Monarchs, despite pitching brilliantly for three innings. He finished the game working 3 1/3 innings, allowing five hits, four runs (all earned) with two walks and two punch outs. Wagner relieved Robbie Watkins and held the Pirates to just one run during the seventh, eighth and ninth frames before allowing two consecutive hits

and a walk in the tenth frame. Kyle Hald lasted three innings in his first career start giving up seven hits, seven runs (four earned), two walks and one strikeout. Carter worked the final inning allowing for runs on two hits.

The Pirates put three runs on the board in the first inning to take a 3-0 lead. Eldridge and Wood led off with back-to-back singles before scoring on Buss' error. Kemp drove in the final run on his sac fly to center that scored Batts.

ODU tied the game at three behind four consecutive hits in the bottom of the first. Max Most singled to right with one out and moved to second on Bryan Cipolla's single to right. Both Most and Cipolla scored on David Burns' two-RBI double to left center. The Monarchs final run of the inning came when Anthony

Shawler doubled to left-center scoring Burns.

Both teams plated runs in the second inning, making the score 4-4 after two frames. ECU took a 7-5 at the end of three behind Kemp's two-RBI double down the left field line. Harrington drove in a run with a double to right-center scoring Ray.

In the bottom of the fourth, ODU tied the game at seven. Cipolla drew a two-out walk and scored on Burns' two-run home run to left field.

Eldridge's three-run shot in the fifth and back-to-back jacks by Henderson and Kemp in the sixth, gave ECU a 12-7 advantage.

But once again ODU came storming back and three runs in both the sixth and seventh innings to take a 13-12 lead after seven full frames setting up the Pirates dramatic comeback.

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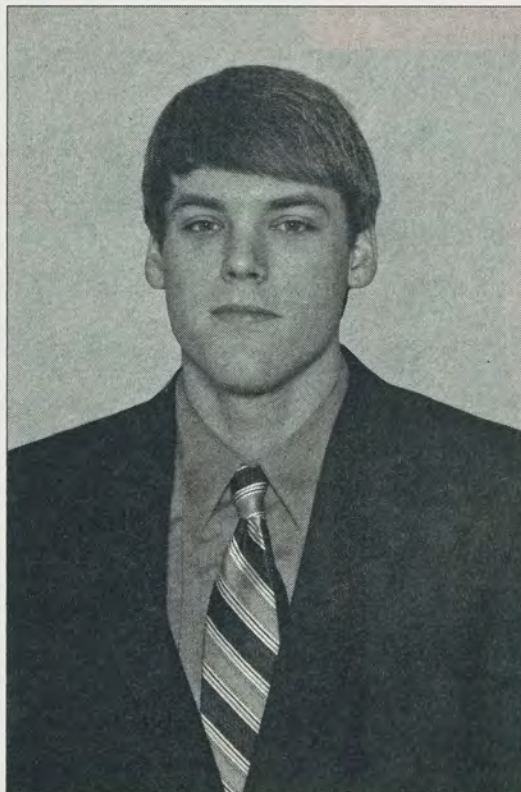
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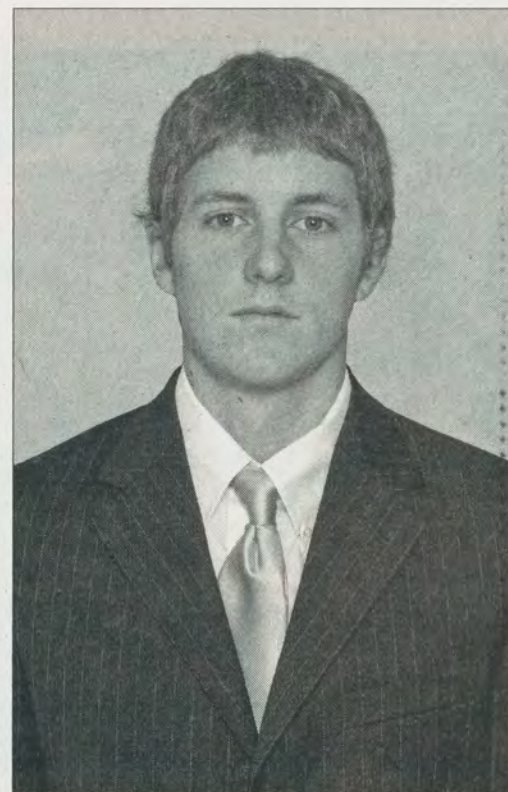
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Junior pitcher Justin Bristow.



ECU freshman Seth Maness.

Maness took the mound again, and then again, in another tough situation.

After ECU lost its home-opener, 4-3, the night before, Maness made his pitching debut at Clark-LeClair Stadium.

And yet again, the young pitcher came through.

Maness struck out seven Monmouth batters, five hits and two runs in his first career victory as an ECU pitcher.

"It's awesome, I've been looking forward to this since I was five years old," Maness said of his first career win. "It couldn't have been any better than this."

Maness wasn't expected to be in ECU's weekend rotation after signing with ECU out of Pinecrest High School in Pinecrest, NC, but Maness impressed Godwin as soon as he stepped foot on campus, which vaulted him into the No. 2 spot in the pitching rotation.

"Coach Godwin told [me] when I signed, that I could come in and maybe pitch some innings here and there, but I didn't expect anything like this," Maness said.

Junior Justin Bristow, who was making his second-career start at ECU after spending his first two seasons at Auburn,

turned in an even more impressive performance the day after Maness' first career victory.

Bristow threw a two-hit, complete game shutout Sunday afternoon, giving ECU its first series win of the season.

After two starts at ECU, Bristow leads the Pirates in ERA, as he had only given up two earned runs in 14 innings pitched.

Bristow didn't have that kind of success at Auburn.

He posted a 1-6 record with a 9.30 ERA last season, but a new jersey has obviously produced different results.

"I can't really speak on what happened there [Auburn] because I wasn't there, but we've had some closed-door talks and sometimes a change of environment can help a guy of his ability," Godwin said.

The 6-foot-4, 213-pounder from Richmond, VA, was a high school All-American and rated as the fourth-best high school player in the nation by *Baseball America* in 2005, and Godwin is confident that Bristow can reach his full potential after a rough stint at Auburn.

"He's been nothing but good for us and we don't talk about the past, especially when the past is maybe not what he

thought it was going to be," Godwin said. "I think the most important thing is that he's here, and he's doing well here."

Unlike some college pitchers, Bristow and Maness both use three different pitches on the mound: a fastball, a breaking ball and an off-speed pitch.

Utilizing these three pitches with variety can keep hitters off-balance for most of the game.

"It's a definite advantage," Maness said. "The curveball is more of a strikeout pitch, but you have to work it through your fastball."

It's worked so far in 2008, as Bristow and Maness are tied for the team-lead in strikeouts, each at 12.

Getting quality pitching performances on the weekend is necessary for most college baseball teams.

ECU's season might come down to the success of pitchers not named, T.J. Hose—and if that is the case—Maness and Bristow could make a name for themselves.

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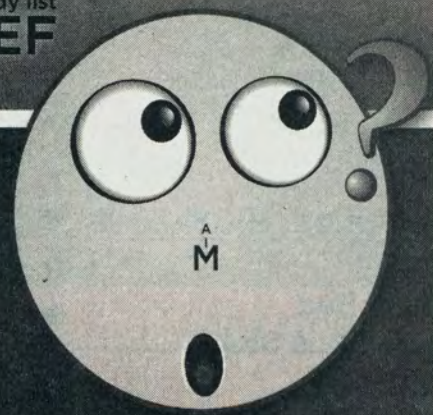
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# Tennis earns first-ever national ranking



Senior Alex Smith hits a forehand at ECU's Tennis Complex during spring play this season.



Senior Mireia Gol holds a 3-1 record in doubles play this Spring, along with a 2-2 singles record.

ECU SID—For the first time in its history, the ECU women's tennis program has earned a place in the national rankings as it stands No. 63 in this week's Intercollegiate Tennis Association (ITA) Division I Poll according to a release from the organization late Tuesday night.

The Lady Pirates, who have raced out to an 8-0 record so far this spring, are one of five Conference USA teams listed among the top 75 teams in the nation - joining Marshall

(55), UAB (57), Tulsa (58) and Rice (75).

"I think this serves as a testament to the support we have from our administration and all the hard work our players have done this season," ECU coach Tom Morris said. "It's certainly a good place to start, especially since we'll have the opportunity to play other ranked teams this spring."

Morris, who is in his 10th season heading the ECU women's team and ranks as the program's winningest coach, has directed the Lady Pirates to

school-record win totals in four of the last five years with a 16-8 mark in 2003, a 17-9 ledger in 2005 and back-to-back 19-9 and 19-10 finishes in 2006 and 2007, respectively.

While the latest rankings reflect East Carolina's first as a team, a pair of Lady Pirates recorded the program's first national rating of any kind two seasons ago.

Doubles tandem Gillie Bailey and Kirstin Buchanan stood at No. 48 among all doubles players in the March

23, 2006 poll.

ECU's current position has the Lady Pirates tied with Pac-10 member Arizona and ahead of others such as Illinois (65/Big 10), Virginia (66/ACC) and Big 12 programs Kansas State (67), Nebraska (68), Oklahoma State (69) and Texas Tech (70).

ECU will face No. 48 Virginia Tech in Greenville Thurs-

day and UAB on March 13 in San Juan, Puerto Rico.

The Lady Pirates began spring play with a 5-1 over High Point on Jan. 31 in Greenville.

Since then, ECU has won its matches by a total score of 38-11, improving its spring record to 8-0.

ECU's closest match of the spring was a 4-3 win against Elon on Feb. 21 at ECU's Tennis

Complex.

The Lady Pirates overcame an early doubles loss and faced eight separate match point serves in singles play to defeat the visiting Phoenix.


ECU also beat Gardner Webb, 4-3, earlier in the season, but the Lady Pirates won all of their other matches by more than one point.



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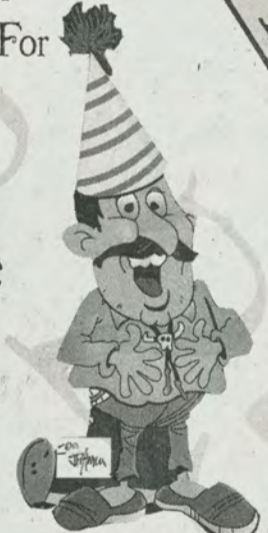
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Running back Jonathan Williams will see an increased role this spring after being used mainly as a kickoff returner as a freshman in 2007.

together as a unit in order to be successful.

"Everybody just has to work together to get better as a unit ... when one guy comes out of the game, we don't want to skip any beats, we want everyone to be on the same level," Lindsay said.

When it comes to Lindsay, he says he is ready to step into the position that was once filled by a sure first-day NFL draft pick.

"That is what I want, I guess because the team is counting on me," Lindsay said. "Any time that pressure is on you, you perform your best."

While Lindsay, Norman Whitley, Jonathan Williams and Brandon Simmons will be viable options come next season, it remains just how the loss of Johnson will affect the Pirates.

"It has a tremendous impact," Smith said of Johnson's loss. "You're talking about a guy that had 17 or 18 touchdowns rushing, another six receiving and then another one on a kickoff return. You're talking about a guy that scored half of our points last year, so it's going to have an impact."

"It's one of those things that when someone graduates, it's time for somebody to step up. Just like last year when Brandon Fractious graduated, Chris stepped up with his opportunity and made the most of it."

While replacing Johnson's productivity could be almost impossible to fully replace, Smith says the team is going about practice and the drills the same way as they would any

other day.

"Just the same things, they're [the running backs] just getting more reps now," Smith said. "Since it's spring ball, it's a lot of competition, so the guy that goes out and is consistent, works hard and knows his stuff is who we're going to put the workload on."

One of the things that Johnson did that doesn't show up on the stat sheet is his ability to draw defenders into the box and open up some passing lanes. Smith knows that a balanced offense usually equals success on the gridiron.

"You have to be a balanced offense, and you have to be able to take the pressure off the quarterback," Smith said. "Then you have to be able to run when it's time to run, so it's a lot of pressure on the running backs unit right now because we have to go out and be consistent."

"These guys are our future," Smith added.

If all goes right for the Pirates' running back unit, the loss of Johnson will be minimal, but that happening is easier said than done.

However, Lindsay knows that he and his teammates can achieve success and eventually step out of the shadow cast by Johnson.

"He was a great player," Lindsay said. "We have some guys that are ready to play ... so we can get it done."

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Greenville Recreation and Parks Department (City of Greenville) Positions at Bradford Creek Golf Course: Cart Attendant - Assures all carts are clean and ready for customers' use. Performs routine maintenance such as filling gas and oil. Cleans carts after use. Runs range picker and picks up balls on the range, washes them and place in baskets as needed. Hours vary but applicants should be available after 2:00 p.m. weekdays and any time on weekends. Weekend work is required. Pay is \$6.15 an hour. Applications accepted until positions are filled. Apply at the City of Greenville, Human Resources Department, 201 Martin L. King, Jr. Drive, PO Box 7207, Greenville, NC 27835. Phone 329-4492.

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with children. Description: Teach golf to youth and some adults. Help coach Bradford Creek Junior teams. Serves as Bradford Creek Proshop attendant as needed. Minimum age: 18; Contact: Mike Cato, Bradford Creek Golf Course, 329-4653; Apply at the City of Greenville, Human Resources Department, 201 Martin L. King, Jr. Drive, PO Box 7207, Greenville, NC 27835. Phone 329-4492.

Greenville Recreation & Parks Department is recruiting part-time youth baseball coaches/site attendants for the spring t-ball program for ages 4-8. Applicants must possess a good knowledge of baseball skills and have the ability and patience to work with youth. Duties include but are not limited to: score keeping, umpiring, coaching, setting up for practices and games and ensuring proper care of program/facility. Hours are from 4:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Monday through Friday and Saturday mornings and afternoons. Flexible hours according to class schedules. This program will run from April 19 - mid June. Salary starts at \$6.75 per hour. For more information, please contact the Athletic Office at 329-4550, Monday through Friday 10:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m.

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## Horoscopes

**Aries**  
A friend's comment inspires you to consider alternatives. What works may include some things you have rejected before. Re-evaluate and reconsider.

**Taurus**  
Gather a few close advisors together to knock some ideas around. The combination of your diverse talents could produce a stroke of genius.

**Gemini**  
You do best when you're pushed to come up with new ideas. It's kind of stressful at first, but you'll do very well under this pressure.

**Cancer**  
Take yourself out for a special treat, to celebrate a recent win. If you can't think of one, make one up. You're in charge of this game.

**Leo**  
You and your partner need to work out your shopping lists. There'll be enough for all you need if you plan this out together.

**Virgo**  
A lot of your communication now is the non-verbal kind. You can let people know what you like, and don't like, without saying a word.

**Libra**  
Work becomes top priority again, in a good way. Use your imagination, and discover hidden paths to success. You're surrounded by them.

**Scorpio**  
You don't have to express yourself in words to get your meaning across. Use another way that you and your loved one understand.

**Sagittarius**  
It's perfectly OK to hide out in the security of your own home and do something you really enjoy. Hobbies save our mental health.

**Capricorn**  
Pay off old debts and make sure you have enough put away for the future. Don't expect anyone to do it for you. You'll be more satisfied anyway, if you do it for yourself.

**Aquarius**  
Money is not your greatest motivator, by any means. It's nice to have, however. No need to turn it down, if you come about it honestly.

**Pisces**  
You're more confident now, and very creative. Begin a project you've been thinking about. There'll be a few problems, but you'll emerge triumphant.

## Did you know?

By feeding hens certain dyes they can be made to lay eggs with varicolored yolks.

Carnivorous animals will not eat another animal that has been hit by a lightning strike.

He-Man and the Masters of the Universe was the first cartoon built around a line of toys.

Every year, 100 men are diagnosed with breast cancer.

The first movie theaters were called "nickelodeons."

If you say somebody is 1 in a million you are saying there are 1,317 of them in China (as of 2007).

45 percent of any dollar bills you have ever owned has been in a stripper's G-string.

There was no country of Iraq until it was created by the British in 1920. The modern state of Iraq was created out of the three provinces controlled by the Ottoman Turks: Basra, Mosul, and Baghdad.

Lightning reaches 50,000 degrees Fahrenheit, four times as hot as the sun's surface. Yet, unlike high voltage electrical injuries with which massive internal tissue damage may occur, lightning seldom causes substantial burns.

Hippos are the third largest animal on land. Only elephants and some rhinos are bigger.

The first ambulance service was established in Cincinnati in 1865.

A dairy cow can produce 5 gallons of ice cream a day.

In the disastrous War of the Triple Alliance (1865-70), Paraguay lost two-thirds of all adult males and much of its territory.

A new study finds those who won Nobel Prizes between 1901 and 1950 lived about 2 years longer than nominees who didn't win.

## Today in history...

1808



The first college orchestra was founded at Harvard University in Cambridge, Ma.

1962



Frank Sinatra recorded his final session for Capitol Records in Hollywood.

1985



Yul Brynner played his famous role as the king in "The King and I" in his 4,500th performance in the musical. The actor, age 64, opened the successful production on Broadway in 1951.

## Three road trips in 300 miles or less

CAT POTTER  
STAFF WRITER

Spring break is almost here and with it promises a break from school and hopefully a very relaxing vacation. So, where do you go to get away without breaking the bank? No matter what the advertisements say, you do not have to go to Cancun or the Bahamas to have a fun-filled, exciting and carefree vacation. Avoid costly plane tickets and other arrangements by taking advantage of tourist attractions closer to home. The perfect vacation can be within 300 miles of your very own hometown and perhaps open your eyes to the rewards of North Carolina and surrounding areas.



**Place: Boone, NC**  
Miles: approximately 274 miles.  
Time: 4 hrs. 45 min.  
Gas Price Roundtrip: \$100.46

Where to stay: Holiday Inn Express/ Comfort Inn Suites (Boone, NC) Rooms range from about \$65-\$100 per night.

What to do: Enjoy the scenic rewards of western North Carolina by taking a drive or hike along the Blue Ridge Parkway. The Blue Ridge Parkway offers many trails to hike and picturesque views. Other tourist attractions include a short drive to Blowing Rock to visit the Grandfather Mountain swinging bridge, gem mining and the Daniel Boone Native Gardens. Boone also provides many independent shops along King Street near the Appalachian State campus for a day of shopping in the sun and several delicious restaurants including Coyote Kitchen, Angelicas, The Daniel Boone Inn, Black Cat, Café Portofino or Macado's, etc.

**Place: Washington, D.C.**  
Miles: approximately 280 miles.  
Time: 4 hrs. 38 min.  
Gas Price Roundtrip: \$102.66

Where to stay: Days Inn/ Red Roof Inn (Alexandria, Va.), Howard Johnson Express/ The District Hotel (Washington, DC). Rooms range from \$80-\$150 per night.

What to do: Take advantage of the short distance to the nation's capital and take in many historic sights and tourist attractions, including a tour of the White House, The Capitol Building on Capitol Hill, The Washington Monument, The Smithsonian Institution, The Holocaust Museum, etc. Washington D.C. promises a vacation full of activities and places to visit and has a beaming nightlife as well. Must-visit nightclubs and musical venues include Black Cat, Bohemian Caverns, 18<sup>th</sup> Street Lounge, and 9:30 Club. Another attraction includes D.C.'s annual Shamrock Fest on March 15.



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**Place: Ocracoke Island, NC**  
Miles: approximately 110 miles.  
Time: 4 hrs. 5 min.  
Gas Price Roundtrip: \$30+ cost of Swan Quarter Ferry (\$30/car, \$6/bike, \$2/pedestrian)

Where to stay: The Anchorage Inn and Marina, Blackbeard's Lodge, Edwards of Ocracoke, Island Inn, Pelican Lodge, etc. Rooms start at \$60+ per night.

What to do: Enjoy your spring break by the beach at the very laid back and quaint Ocracoke Island. This beautiful island is sure to provide a very relaxing spring break with its small size and home-like feel. Small shops and delicious restaurants are abundant on the island. Must-visit locally owned restaurants/shops include Howard's Pub, The Flying Melon, Thai Moon, Jolly Roger Pub and Marina, The Pelican Restaurant and Patio Bar, and Ocracoke Coffee Company.



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## Foster gives stellar performance in The Brave One

Film leaves viewers questioning the system

CHELSEA CAMPEN  
STAFF WRITER

The thrilling and provocative 2007 film starring Jodi Foster and Terrance Campbell was hailed by The New York Times as "well cast and smoothly directed, [but] is just as crude and ugly as you want it to be. And that the movie insists, how, in your heart of hearts, you really do want it to be. Its none-too-subtle governing idea is that even the most effete, brownstone-dwelling public radio listener might feel the occasional urge to blow someone's head off."

In The Brave One, Jodi Foster plays Erica Bain, a radio personality turned vigilante, bent on punishing the criminals of New York City. After Bain and her fiancé are attacked by gang members, leaving her fiancé dead, a fear of the city leads to Bain's purchase of an illegal gun. Her fear then turns into empowerment when she kills a robber/murderer in a convenience store and experiences her first taste of "justice."

She roams the streets at night, fulfilling her driving need for vengeance against a city she feels has turned against her. A relationship develops with the investigator (Terrance Camp-



Jodi Foster and Terrance Campbell lend their acting chops to star in the film, The Brave One.

bell), following the series of murders that fuels her vendetta.

Although she continues killing, she suffers conflicts within herself about the nature of her sense of justice. The movie climaxes when she confronts her fiancé's killers.

Overall, the movie is raw, packs a hard punch and raises some good questions about justice. Is it right to kill a guilty person without a trial, and more importantly, is it wrong to purposefully place yourself in a situation where you will have to

kill in self defense?

In the movie, the investigators are looking for a man as the shooter up until the last chapter. They overlook the fact that a wounded woman's vengeance can make her

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## Avoid a meltdown the night before travel

Alleviate headaches when packing

SARAH CAMPBELL  
EDITOR IN CHIEF

Spring break is a mere two days away, and whether you are planning an exotic getaway or a casual trip to your hometown, one thing is for sure: packing is a hurdle that everyone must overcome before hitting the road.

No matter where you may be traveling, becoming a minimalist will make packing a much easier endeavor. The impulse to pack your entire wardrobe along with every other personal care item is oftentimes the culprit for over packing.

Following a few simple guidelines will make the process of packing a bit more bearable. First, consider your destination. Location plays a crucial role in the types of things you need to bring along for the trip.

Find out what amenities may already be included in your lodging. If you are heading home, it is unnecessary to

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## BRAVE ONE continued from B1

brave enough to hunt down the wrong and brutally make it right. At this time in history, it is totally believable that Bain could be as cold-blooded as she was in the movie, because there are a number of women who own guns and know how to use them. But that injustice could elevate into an uncompromis-

ing superhero complex and at times could turn into a power trip. At one point, she shoots two younger men on the subway, who are robbing passengers for cash and iPods, armed only with a knife.

No one has to wonder whether or not her vendetta against the city is fulfilled at the

end of the film or whether she continues killing for justice.

The Brave One leaves audiences rethinking ideas of justice and morality, all the while keeping them on the edge of their seats to the very last second.

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## PACKING continued from B1

pack things such as body wash and shampoo.

Hotels provide patrons with towels, pillows, and in most cases, a hair dryer and iron. Take advantage of these items, as they will save lots of room in your suitcase.

A few rules of thumb to remember when packing clothing. Remember to take clothing that is appropriate for the weather at your destination, and to wear more bulky items such as jeans and tennis shoes.

Multiply the number of days you will be traveling by .5 and add that number to the number of days you will be gone to figure out how many shirts you should bring along. For example if you will be gone six days, you should bring nine shirts.

When it comes to bottoms, you can pair a number of bottoms with different tops, so it is only necessary to carry about half the number of days you will be gone.

Remember to pack an adequate amount of underwear, as that is one thing you certainly don't want to end up wearing a second time.

Women should bring along one dress that is made of a material that doesn't wrinkle easily, such as jersey knit, to wear for evenings out. A simple dress is recommended so that it can be worn with a number of accessories and shoes in order to change your look each night.

For men, a couple of button-down shirts along with a pair of slacks in black or gray should be sufficient wardrobe pieces to

wear during an evening out.

When it comes to packing toiletries, buy smaller, travel-size versions of your favorites so that you can throw the bottle away at the end of the trip and lighten your load for the trip home.

The Department of Homeland Security has issued new standards for carry-on bags that should be taken into consideration if you are hitting the skies for your spring break trip.

The following rule was issued by the transportation security administration in an effort to help travelers decipher what to bring along:

3-1-1 for carry-ons = 3-ounce bottle or less (by volume); 1 quart-sized, clear, plastic, zip-top bag; 1 bag per passenger placed in screening bin. One quart bag per person limits the total liquid volume each traveler

can bring. 3 oz. container size is a security measure.

No matter where you go this spring break, it is important to remember to bring along your driver's license, cell phone, camera, cash and credit cards. These are items that can't be bought once you arrive at your destination, so it is imperative to include them in your suitcase.

The way you pack is just as important as what you decide to take. Rolling clothes can be more practical than folding, which can leave creases in clothing.

Each traveler should bring only one suitcase and a carry-on bag as to alleviate the feeling of being bogged down by luggage when trying to switch flights or pack the car for a road trip.

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## Housing opportunities for students

On-campus and off-campus both offer advantages

KIMBERLY BELLAMY  
NEWS EDITOR

Many students are eager to branch out from the dependency of their parents and become more independent when entering college.

One of the ways to gain this freedom is making the transition from your parents house to your own place, whether it be a house, an apartment or in the dorms.

Deciding which one of these environments is the right fit for you can be the next challenge in your quest for liberation.

There are many resources available to help choose an environment that will suit your lifestyle.

The Center for Off Campus and Community Living (COCCL) has a website that offers numerous information for adult students, transfer students and students seeking off-campus housing.

"We have a website where we have several apartment complexes listed. All of them have passed the city codes," said Lucia Brannon, administrative assistant for COCCL.

Special attention was given to whether or not the apartments chosen for the website were safe.

Individuals working at COCCL visited the apartments to make sure that they are safe, according to Brannon.

The website also gives students the option to find a roommate or invite people to sublease for them.

Safety is a major factor in making a choice for residency. Some students don't have the benefit of having someone double-check to make sure that their home will be safe.

Location contributes to how safe students might feel in their new environments.

Choosing a good neighborhood is a good thing to think about when considering if staying in a house is right for you.

"I stay in the Fourth Street radius where all the crime happens but I've become kind of immune to it," said Tara Hargadon, senior communication

major and resident of a house.

There are ways to conquer your fears of crime if you feel you're in a bad area off-campus.

"The security in our neighborhood isn't that great," Hargadon said.

Students can choose to take the initiative to attend meetings that focus on topics like neighborhood safety such as Hargadon, who mentioned she would be attending a meeting with the City of Greenville about these types of issues.

When you stay in houses off-campus, you may have to deal with more skepticism about safety but there are advantages.

"I love the freedom of being able to do what I want," Hargadon said.

If being closer to the heart of ECU's campus is more important to you, staying in one of the 15 dorms on campus would be best.

"We really connect students to the ECU community," said Aaron Lucier, associate director campus living.

Staying on campus allows you to interact with more people on a day-to-day basis and gives you the opportunity to engage in the full college experience.

We do a lot of great programs and activities directly related to college such as educational and diversity programs, according to Lucier.

A major factor to consider is which alternative will empty your pockets the most.

Some argue that dorms are less expensive and some beg to differ.

"It depends on where you live. I believe we offer competition," Lucier said.

After considering these things, you will be able to make a more informed decision about where you would like to reside while gaining your education.

To find out more about the possibilities of staying on-campus, you can visit the website at [ecu.edu/studentlife/campusliving](http://ecu.edu/studentlife/campusliving).

To makes decisions about off-campus living, students can go to [ecu.edu/studentlife/offcampus](http://ecu.edu/studentlife/offcampus).

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### Travel tips

*Some tips from travel pros for coping with new U.S. security regulations for air travel:*

- ▶ **Place all banned carry-ons**, including pocket knife, nail file, toothpaste, cosmetics and shampoo, in checked luggage in clear containers or self-sealing plastic bags
- ▶ **To make security screenings easier**, pack lightly and without clutter; carry gift packages unwrapped and put powdery products, such as talc, make-up, craft items, in clear plastic bags in checked luggage
- ▶ **Make sure all electronics**, such as cell phones, have batteries and work; remove laptop from case so both can be X-rayed separately; avoid wearing metal buttons, jewelry, hair clips — if possible

#### Personal Finance

##### Travelers

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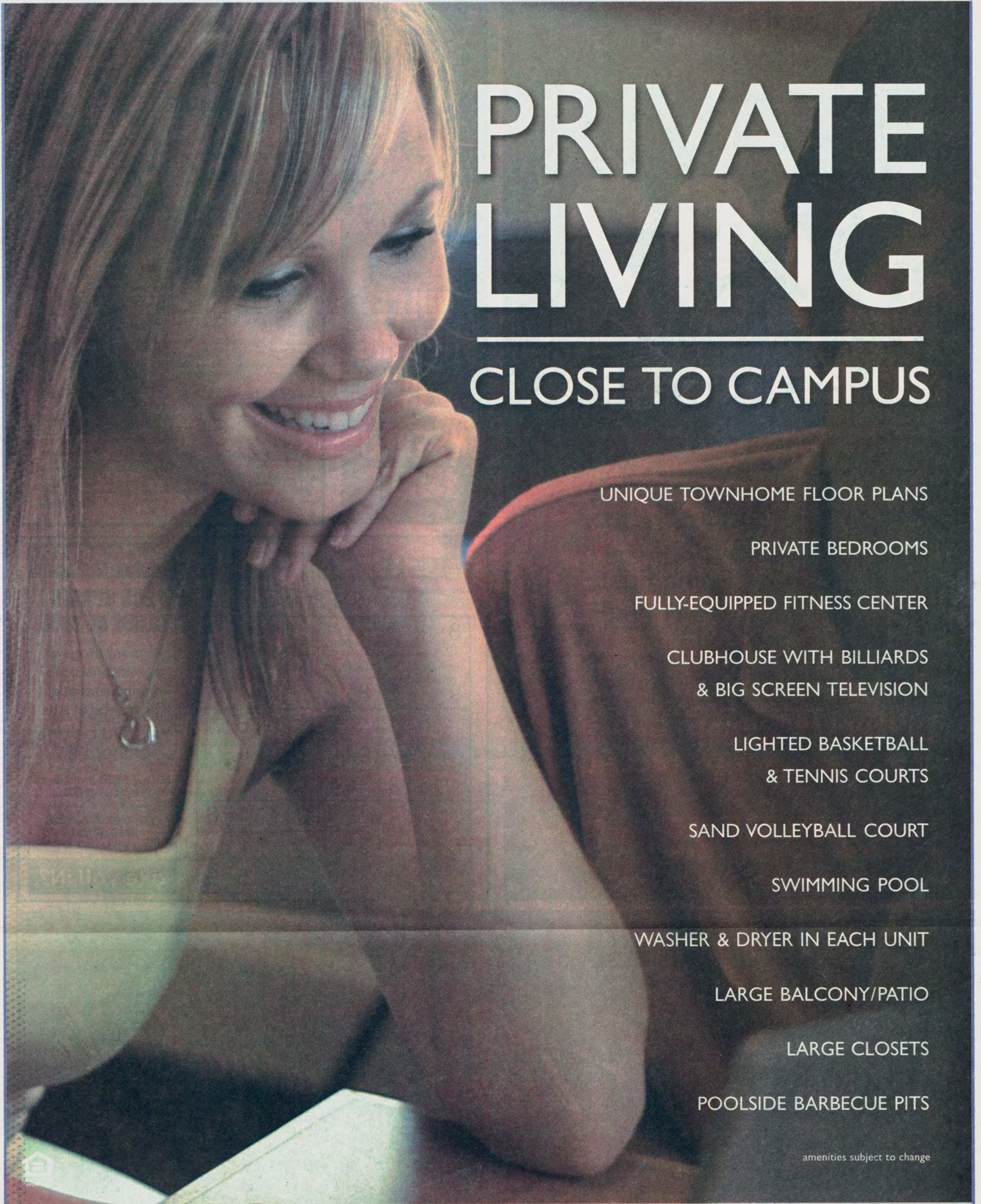
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