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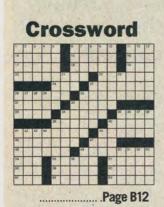
Mack McCarthy has been named permanent coach of the ECU men's basketball team, turn to the sports section to see what the future holds for the program.....B8



The ECU baseball team played their first conference series of the season this past weekend, see how the Pirates did.....B8



This past Sunday the death toll in Iraq reached a grave milestone of 4,000 deaths after a roadside bomb killed four military personnel in Baghdad. President Bush and presidential hopefuls commented on the war and the number of American deat 



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# Founder's Day birthday party held on the mall

Pirates look forward to 100 more years

YAZID FINN STAFF WRITER

Hundreds of students and a number of faculty and staff came out to celebrate ECU's 101st birthday with a party.

The event was a joint collaboration between the ECU Ambassadors, Student Union, SGA and the Alumni Asso-

'This is probably one of the largest things that the Alumni Association puts on," said Rob Breiner, a member of the ECU Ambassadors. "The Ambassadors are always trying to promote the tradition of our campus, and Founder's Day

It was a nice cool spring day as the event unfolded at four in the afternoon.

Keri Brockett, the current president of the SGA, began the event by

introducing two prominent historical figures in the university's history. Two students acting as Leo Jenkins and Robert Wright

made an appearance at the celebration.

Jenkins and Wright both held leadership positions at the university in the early years.

The Jenkins and Wright impersonators compared their posts held at ECU, both including their presidency, as well as Jenkins's chancellorship.

They realized they shared a common drive in boosting the growth and instituting change around campus during their respected times.

Following this, Brockett introduced Chancellor Ballard.

Vice Provost for Student Affairs, Kermal Atkins, who shared insight and comments about the years to come.

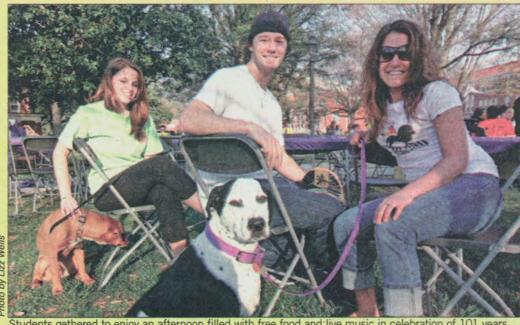
"We're projected to be at 30,000 students by 2015," said Atkins. Atkins also stressed to students to make a difference on campus while they still attend.

Atkins as well as the Magnolia Belles, a singing group, joined in singing "Happy Birthday" as well as ECU's Alma

While the day celebrated the last 101 years of ECU's existence and growth, many had their eyes set on the future and things to come.

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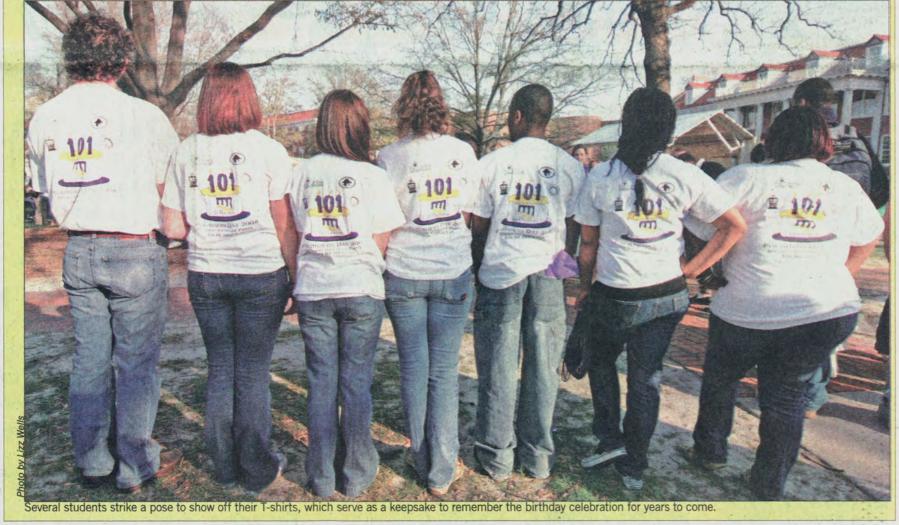
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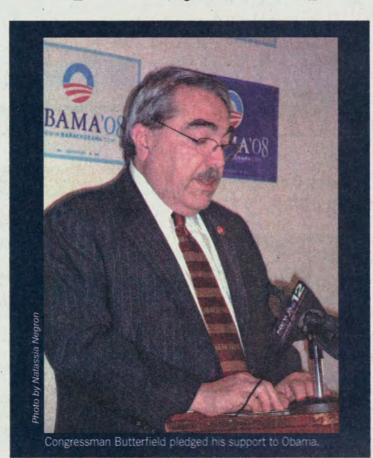
Students gethered to enjoy an afternoon filled with free food and live music in celebration of 101 year



a crowd of students throughout the celebration on the mall yesterda



# NC primary could prove key in Democratic nomination



Local Congressman pledges support for Obama

> SARAH CAMPBELL EDITOR IN CHIEF

Forty-one days until the North Carolina primary elections and the 2008 democratic nomination may depend heavily on the results

One candidate has already set up office in eastern NC in hopes of swaying residents to vote on May 6. Senator Barack Obama opened up a campaign office on Evans Street in Greenville

Obama's presence spurred U.S. Rep. G.K. Butterfield to pledge his support for the Sena-

Butterfield, a democrat, is a representative of the First Congressional District, which includes Pitt County.

"After 8 years of an administration we haven't been able to trust, we need a leader who will be straight with the American people. That is why I'm supporting Barack Obama for president of the United States of America," Butterfield said.

Butterfield also attacked Senator Hillary Clinton's remarks regarding her roles in foreign and domestic policy. Butterfield gave examples in which she has exaggerated incidents and misled the American public.

"It is time for Hillary Clinton to explain these gross inaccuracies and inconsistencies and to put an end to misrepresentations and exaggerations," Butterfield said.

Butterfield also noted that in the past, the N.C. primary has had little effect on which candidate won the nomination, but this year the tide has turned.

He stated that N.C. will play a "vital role" in the determination of the democratic presidential

Additionally, Indiana will hold their primary on May 6, making the state another key component in securing the nomination.

A win for Obama in Indiana could mean he has begun to sway those that in the past have been more likely to vote for Clinton. However, if Clinton carries both NC and IN she may gain the momentum needed to secure the nomina-

Such outcomes "would be the primaryseason equivalent of breaking service in a tennis match: a big momentum shift and a shift in the balance of power," said Democratic strategist Ron Klain in a March 23 article published in The Washington Post.

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# News

{ Campus & Community }

#### PIRATE ANNOUNCEMENTS

Wednesday, March 26 3-5 p.m. International House Celebrate "Holi," a spring Festival of Colors in India. Free food and color provided.

Exhibit features political illustrations Wednesday, March 26- Friday, April

Mendenhall Student Center The political visions of fifty artists will be on display at East Carolina University. The exhibition, Another Voice, will feature over 150 political illustrations that challenge and celebrate politics and political difference. Curated by Patrick Flynn, former art director for The Progressive magazine.

Mountain Dew Green Label Art Event Thursday, March 27

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**AIMO Fashion Show** "A Day in the Life of ... " Friday, March 28 5:30-11 p.m. **Greenville Convention Center** -Shop participating boutiques before the show \$1 raffle tickets on sale for fabulous prizes -Cash bar and free snacks

Who Are You? Mythic Narrative and **Identity in the Orphic Gold Tablets** Friday, March 28 4 p.m.

Bate 1010 Prof. Radcliffe G. Edmonds III. Bryn Mawr College Sponsored by the Department of Foreign Language and Literatures and the programs in Classical Studies and Great Books.

Test Fest 2008 Saturday, March 29 2-6 p.m.

Bate 1031/1032 Trained professionals from the Princeton Review will be on the ECU campus to help you prepare for the GMAT, LSAT, MCAT or GRE

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Strikes for Tikes Sunday, March 30 2-4 p.m. Outer Limitz-MSC

Mendenhall Student Center.

The brothers of Beta Theta Pi will be holding their annual "Strikes for Tikes" fundraiser to benefit the Children's Miracle Network and Children's Hospital of Eastern North Carolina. Brothers will be taking flat donations or donations based on the number of bowling pins they knock down in three games. All money raised by this fundraiser and through the local CMN office stays right here in eastern North Carolina to provide much needed equipment and services for the children in all 29 eastern North Carolina counties.

Muscle Bound Monday, March 31 7-10 p.m.

Wright Auditorium Muscle Bound is a one-man show blended with an original film documentary of three men and their journey to alter their appearance in different and destructive ways over the course of one year. This program discusses males and what they secretly think about their bodies, steroids and supplement abuse, and disordered eating in both straight and gay life.

Pulitzer-winning poet to read at ECU Wednesday, April 2 8 p.m.

Hendrix Theatre-MSC

2007 Pulitzer prize-winning poet, Natasha Trethrewey, will visit ECU to give a public reading of her work.

**Engineering and Technology Day** Friday, April 4

8 a.m.-1 p.m. Science and Technology Building The overall goal for Engineering and Technology Day is to showcase exciting engineering and technology careers through fun and challenging competitions. Throughout the day students and faculty will learn about potential careers and tour a variety of laboratories and facilities before squaring off in a Popsicle stick bridge competition and an egg drop

Noon Todd Dining Hall

Pirates for a Cure 4:30-8 p.m. West End Dining Hall

**AfterDark** 8-11 p.m. Wright Auditorium

**Four Seasons Concert** 7-9 p.m. A.J. Fletcher Recital

**AIMO Fashion Show** 5:30-9 p.m. Greenville Convention Center

Who Are You? **Mythic Narrative** and Identity in **Orphic Gold Tablets** 4 p.m. Bate 1010

Jazz at Night 8-10 p.m. MSC Great Rooms

Flute Symposium Concert 7-9 p.m. A.J. Fletcher Recital Hall

Powwow Noon-6 p.m. 10th St. & College

**Graduate Recital: Christian Loebs-**Guitar 8-10 p.m. A.J. Fletcher Recital

Test Fest 2008 2-6 p.m. Bate 1031 and 1032

2 p.m. Outer Limitz Bowling-MSC

**Toppin Studio** Presentation 3-5 p.m. A.J. Flecter Recital

7 p.m. Wright Auditorium

**Annual Jarvis Lecture** 7:30 p.m. Harvey Banquet Hall, Murphy Center at Minges Coliseum

Premiere **Performances Concert** 8-10 p.m. A.J. Flecter Recital Hall

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#### **FEATURED EVENT:**



Test Fest 2008 2-6 p.m. Bate 1031 and 1032

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great leadership institution," said M. Cole Jones, former SGA president.

Paul Clifford, the associate chancellor of the Alumni Association gave a brief remark, and the show came to a close as the Student Union's selected band took the stage.

'We saw the Florez at a national convention on campus activities and loved them," said Erin Edwards, the president-elect of the

"I hope this event kicks off another 100 years of pride for being

Florez played original music as well as covers for other popular songs throughout the afternoon and interested students could purchase their CD as well as T-Shirts or sign up on the band's emailing list.

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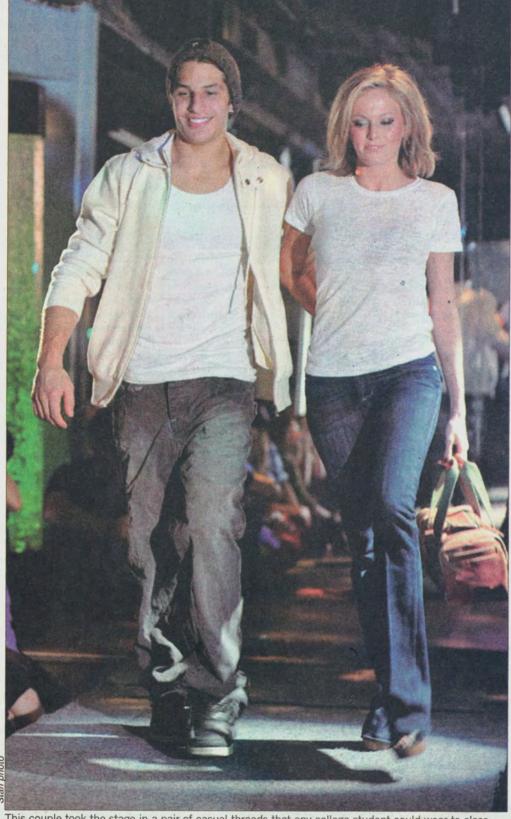
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# Apparel and Interior Merchandising Organization prepares to hit the runway for annual fashion show



This couple took the stage in a pair of casual threads that any college student could wear to class.

Local boutiques showcased

NATALIE JURGEN ASSISTANT NEWS EDITOR

On March 28 the Apparel and Interior Merchandising Organization (AIMO), will present its fourth annual fashion show at 7 p.m. in the Greenville Convention Center.

The theme of this year's show is, "A Day In The Life Of ..."

The fashion show will present a wide variety of clothing from local boutiques.

We chose that theme so each boutique could show its personal style," said Amy Lawrence, AIMO vice president.

Styles will be featured from Charmed Peacock, Icon, Pink, Reebok, Chique Physique and ECU's Dowdy Student

An effort was made to showcase student designs as well, but unfortunately fell through.

The fashion show will feature 60-70 models, all students in Pitt County.

All models were hand-selected by each boutique after two tryouts and one final call back.

"Whether it be allowing the boutiques to handselect local models or making the event more accessible to a larger audience, we want this fashion show to bring in the community of Greenville," said Kathryn Giles, AIMO president.

Preparation for this event began in the fall semester of 2007.

It took the efforts of nearly 60 AIMO members to bring this show together.

Last year's event was held at a local Greenville bar and sold out before the show

This year the event is ready to accommodate 500 guests.

"We're excited by the versatility of the line this year," said Jenelle Conner, fundraising co-chair for AIMO.

'We will feature everything from small to plus size models and high fashion to athletic

Doors for the show will open at 5:30 p.m.

Tickets are going fast and the 200 remaining are expected

Ticket prices are \$15 for adults, \$10 for students with valid I.D. and \$5 for children 12 and under.

Students are reminded to bring their OneCards, as they will be checked upon entrance.

Tickets may be purchased at Charmed Peacock and Pink

or from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. until March 27 at Wright Place.

Last year's fashion show

raised over \$1,300 for AIMO. This year's proceeds will work toward sending a group of AIMO members and one ECU professor to New York.

"This is a family friendly event and we encourage all of the Greenville community, to get involved," Conner said.

There will also be free snacks, a cash bar and a \$1 raffle. An after party will be held at club Stilllife and guests will receive

free entry with their ticket.

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Students can view of variety of trends at the show this year.



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# History repeats itself with a split ticket being voted into office



DREW GRIFFIN









**BETH-ANNE KOURY** 



GUILLAUME BAGAL **TREASURER** 

Ticket one and three candidates join forces

KIMBERLY BELLAMY NEWS EDITOR

A familiar outcome of last year's elections occurred on Wednesday night as the winners for the SGA executive branch were announced.

All of the candidates from ticket one were chosen to represent the student body with the exception of the secretary candidate, Brittany Adams, who is currently the SGA secretary.

Similar results were announced last year when ticket two took the victory, with the exception of their secretary candidate.

The new executive branch consists of Drew Griffin as president, Bradley Congleton as vice president, Beth Ann Koury as secretary and Guillaume Bagal as treasurer.

Griffin, Congleton and Bagal ran on ticket one together while Koury was a candidate on ticket three.

Although Adams didn't take the victory, she still expressed optimistic views about the outcome of the election.

"Everything happens

more time to focus on nursing school," Adams said.

Adams also expressed her ambitions for the remainder of her term as secretary this year.

"I believe it's my duty to make sure it's a smooth transition," Adams said.

Adams said that she would continue her work with the Off-Campus Safety Walks while still in office.

Griffin, who is currently the vice president of SGA, shared his plans for making sure that all of the newly elected officers will work well together.

"If we have an open dialogue from the get go, when we start doing business, there will be no problems," Griffin said.

"Communication is the key with succeeding as a spilt

Other winners from the ticket were more disappointed with the way the election played out.

'You can't really feel proud about the win because of the way this campaign was done. People weren't held accountable for their mistakes but of course we will serve the students in the best way we can," Bagal said.

Bagal also mentioned that Stephanie Lee, ticket one's

for a reason and it gives me campaign manager, worked diligently to ensure a win with a clean campaign.

The elections chair, Ashley Fish, admitted that there were some violations filed in this year's election.

"We sanctioned several violations and there were alot of rumors as well," Fish said.

Some of the violations filed included campaigning before allowed to and not submitting expense reports within 23 hours of the polls opening, according to Fish.

Regardless of the violations, there were some improvements made in the election in comparison to

Fish said that last year, only about 2,8000 students voted while this year, the number increased to 3,341.

Efforts were also made to make sure that only students were allowed to let their voice be heard. Last year, faculty had access to voting.

"With the new banner system, we haven't had any issues with that at all," Fish

An alumnus was asked to attempt to vote to ensure that the polls were working properly, according to Fish.

Congleton expressed his

excitement about being able to advance in SGA since first getting involved and being

able to help with the program in which he started. Congleton has been apart of the Shipmates program, sophomore class officer, and

chief of staff. One of the main focuses of the vice president is being in charge of the Shipmates,"

Congleton said. The Undergraduate Senate Representatives were also announced on Wednes-

day night. Michael Harris, Jr. will represent the College of Arts and Sciences. Matthew Burke will represent the College of

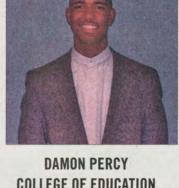
Business. Allison Milano will represent the College of Fine Arts and Communication. Everette Nichols will represent the College of Human Ecology and Damon Percy will represent the College of

Education. To find out more about SGA, visit the Website at ecu. edu/sga or call the office at 328-4742

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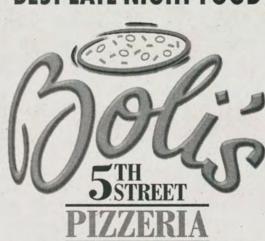
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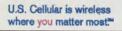
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# Students speak up about downtown club discrimination



Bar manager addresses the issue

DAVID WILDER STAFF WRITER

A number of ECU Students have objected to discrimination they have experienced at clubs and bars in downtown

Students spoke of racial inequality, prejudice against those in the military and seemingly flexible dress codes.

"I have seen not only discrimination against guys who have on long shirts, hats, white-T's and baggy pants, I have also seen a certain amount of favoritism shown towards girls who decide to dress in next to nothing and conduct themselves in a manner that I'm sure causes far more problems than the guy with baggy pants," said Matt Wilson, senior.

"Another form of discrimination that no one seems to point out is sexual discrimination. Girls can go to any bar or club they want and be charged no cover while the guys end up paying full price or in some cases offsetting the cost of the girls by paying more than the cover," Wilson said.

'I've been kept out of places because 'they were at capacity,' but the bouncer kept letting people in because he knew them," said James Old, senior music performance major.

'When I used to be an RA [resident advisor], I heard tons of stories from my residents about racial discrimination in clubs," said Stephen Howell, junior.

Minorities who were turned away due to dress code violations said similarly dressed white students were allowed into the club, Howell said.

Some clubs and bars currently enforce policies that attempt to ensure fairness and these places strive to become positive places for students to spend their free time.

"At 5th Street Distillery we're required by law to have our customers carry membership cards," said Drew Chandler, manager of 5th Street Distillery.

"It's because we're a private club and it's free to become

The membership cards must be shown at the door to gain entrance to the club. This procedure could help reduce fights

Most fights occur after closing time, Chandler said. Those fights happen roughly once a week, although smaller, less important altercations occur more frequently.

I'm not sure about other clubs but as far as my own club, I'll let anybody in. I don't care. I just want people to enjoy themselves," Chandler said.

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Series could be a step toward more programs for women

NADIAH SARSOUR STAFF WRITER

Women series program "Beautiful Bodies, Beautiful Souls" is making its debut on the ECU campus, open-ing the doors for females to engage themselves into different relational topics. The Ledonia Wright Cul-

tural Center (LWCC) is working in conjunction with the Student Health Center on a series of programs geared towards women. It was an idea brought up

last semester and it's finally kicked off this semester, according to health educator, Shawnte McMillan.

Associate Director of the LWCC, LaQuesha Foster, said this program is their "way of celebrat-ing women's history month."

Tuesday marked the initiation of the women series. Females gathered at the LWCC to watch the movie "Why Did I Get Married?"

followed by a discussion.

There are three other topics scheduled for the 10, 15 and 22 of April.

The first topic called "Generational Curses," sheds a glimpse on how students seek to change some habits and attitudes adapted from their parents.

They also teach them to deal

with issues like sexual assault, self-cautiousness, domestic

violence and body image. To add a little more flavor to the program, McMillan said they chose "Cheaters," as another topic.

Men are invited to this session to carry on the discussion of what they believe induces women to cheat on them. Women get an opportunity to vent as well.

McMillan said that the cheaters session was picked up by several ECU clubs before and had good outcomes.

The final session hosts a discussion for women on what they think they want to get out of a relationship.

'Unlike most campuses, ECU does not have a women's center," Foster said. This initiative is a step in

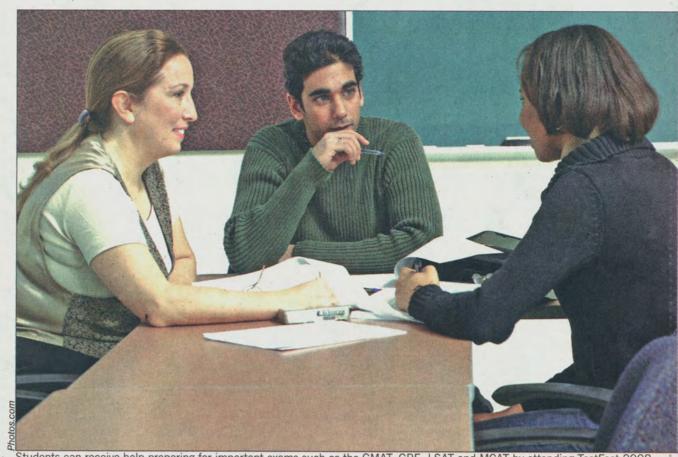
the direction for something that can be built from here on. The idea can be introduced to campus and see where it goes from there,

according to Foster. Foster said this program is a good way to get to know yourself that helps build confidence." "Know who you are, what you want and then go

from there," Foster said. McMillan said they are also raffling off a free massage service. The winner's name will be drawn among those who participated throughout the entire series.

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# Preparation for entrance exams offered at Test Fest 2008



Students can receive help preparing for important exams such as the GMAT, GRE, LSAT and MCAT by attending TestFest 2008.

#### Sessions are offered to students at an unbeatable price

KIMBERLY BELLAMY **NEWS EDITOR** 

Students will get the opportunity to ask the questions that a book won't be able to answer at Test Fest 2008 on Saturday,

Instructors from the Princeton Review will conduct sessions on four different types of exams that are required for entrance into business, graduate, law, or medical school: Graduate Management Admission Test (GMAT), Graduate Record Examination (GRE), Law School Admission Test (LSAT) and the Medical College Admission Test (MCAT).

Students who take advantage of this event will get valuable advice and save money. All of the sessions are only \$10 each.

Student sessions such as these offered elsewhere are normally very expensive and can be as high as \$100 or more, according to Dianne Carroll, director of external communication for Golden Key International Honour Society.

The Golden Key International Honour Society is the sponsor of this event.

"The Princeton Review teamed up with The Golden Key International Honour Society and offered this event to all Golden Key chapters," Carroll said.

'Most people want to prepare for these exams but don't have the time or the money to do so efficiently. We were able to bring actual Princeton Review instructors to our campus and we couldn't pass up that amazng opportunity."

The instructors will review the format of the test and how to be prepared to take

There is also a possibility that one of the topics discussed at Test Fest will be the subject areas to be familiar with for the exams, according to Carroll.

"The instructors know almost everything about these exams and will be giving great tips on how to succeed on each exam," Carroll said.

All of the sessions will be held in the Bate building. The GRE session will be at 2 p.m. in Bate 1031. The GMAT session will be 2 p.m. in Bate 1032.

The MCAT session will be in Bate 1031 at 4 p.m. and the LSAT will be in Bate 1032

Students can purchase tickets at the Mendenhall Student Center Central Ticket Office or purchase them at the door.

The tickets being sold on the day of the event at the door will be offered on a firstcome, first-serve basis because of seating.

For more information about the event, you can send an email to GoldenKey@ecu.edu.

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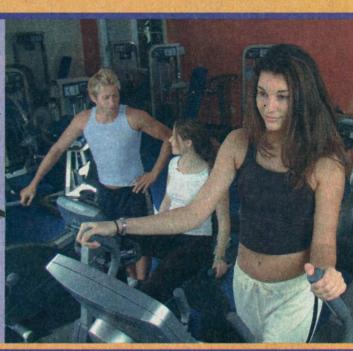
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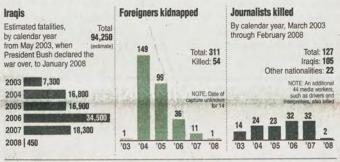
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> NANCY PELOSI SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE

#### **War's toll: Five years in Iraq**

Five years into the Iraq War, four-fifths of Iraqis oppose the coaltion forces' presence in their country and about two-thirds of Americans think the war was not worth the effort.

#### The toll: In civilian lives

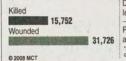


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#### years of fighting and counting

**ELISE PHILLIPS** FEATURES EDITOR

On Easter Sunday, while much of the United States was attending Easter services or romping around looking for hidden eggs, the death toll of the current war in Iraq reached 4,000. This grave milestone was reached after a blast from a makeshift explosive device detonated near a vehicle in Baghdad, killing four military personnel. The service men were patrolling a neighborhood when the device exploded.

The four were killed just days after the five-year anniversary of the start of the war in Iraq. President Bush ordered troops into Iraq on March 19, 2003, and the costs of the war have mounted since that day. According to cnn.com, the House Budget Committee has estimated that taxpayers have shelled out approximately \$600 billion to fund the war over the past five years, not counting the human toll of the war. According to The New York Times, 2007 proved to be the deadliest year in Iraq for U.S. soldiers. Approximately 29,000 U.S. soldiers have been wounded to date, and over 94,000 Iraqi casualities can be attributed to the current war.

As the war enters its sixth year, Bush remains resolute that occupying the country is still in the best interest of the United States. 'Our strategy going forward will be aimed at making sure that we achieve victory and therefore America becomes more secure,"

said Bush in a statement on Monday. However, he sent out sympathies to the grieving families around the U.S.

"On this day of reflection, I offer our deepest sympathies to their families," he said. "I hope their families know that citizens pray for their comfort and their strength, whether they were the first one who lost their life in Iraq or recently lost their life in Iraq.'

Presidential candidates Hillary Clinton, Barrack Obama and John McCain all had comments about the 4000 landmark as well.

"It is past time to end this war that should never have been waged by bringing our troops home, and finally pushing Iraq's leaders to take responsibility for their future," Obama stated in a report that he sent out to the press about the 4000th death, according to MSNBC.com.

Clinton has promised to bring the troops home "as quickly and responsibly as possible," but McCain has kept with Bush's policy that the war must go on.

"It would be an unconscionable act of betrayal, a stain on our character as a great nation, if we were to walk away from the Iraqi people and consign them to the horrendous violence, ethnic cleansing, and possibly genocide that would follow a reckless, irresponsible, and premature withdrawal," said McCain to The World Affairs Council in Los Angeles yesterday, according to cnn.com.

Currently approximately 158,000 troops still occupy Iraq but that number is expected to drop to an estimated 140,000 by the summer, according to an article by MSNBC.

While the war wages on, many Americans are wondering how much longer the U.S. occupation of Iraq will be. The same day that the death toll reached the iconic 4000, a fifth soldier was wounded, according to cnn.com.

"Americans also understand that the cost of the war to our national security, military readiness and our reputation around the world is immense and that the threat to our economy - as the war, in Iraq continues to take us deeper into debt — is unacceptable," said House Speaker Nancy Pelosi in an article by MSNBC.

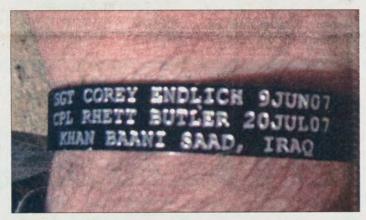
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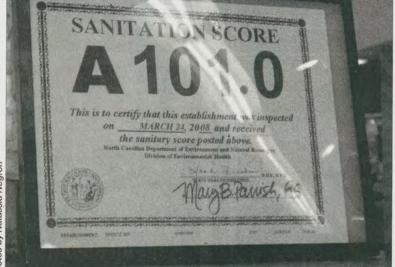
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# Sanitation grades may be deceiving





Arby's by campus currently has a sanitation score of 98.

Some restaurants have had their score upped after taking a Serve Safe class.

Local restaurants have way to boost their scores

**VERONICA CARRINGTON** STAFF WRITER

The convenience of fast food has seduced the busy family or college student countless times over; however, this seduction is not ever viewed as a sinister health risk. Many people view healthy eating at fast-food establishments as ordering a Caesar salad or grilled chicken sandwich. Many do not understand that the preparation of the meal is also directly affects their health as well.

The Pitt County Environmental Health Division, a division of the Pitt County Health Department, is in charge of inspecting food and lodging establishments in the

county as requisite by the laws of North Carolina. These inspections are performed by Environmental Health Specialists who are Registered Sanitarians; they inspect the establishment for cleanliness, appropriate storage of food and supplies and food handling practices that are in place to protect the health and well-being of the clientele and workforce. Upon completion of each inspection, all of the respective establishments' areas are provided a letter grade and numerical score. The establishment is then required to post this grade in a location that is visible to the public. According to the Pitt County environmental health website, the inspections are performed without advanced notice to the establishment. However, some restaurants claim to know when the Health Department is going to pay them a visit.

Upon visitation of Andy's on Tenth

Street manager Cory Bennett, says that he always has a "heads up" when the inspectors are projected to be in the area. No one at the Pitt County Environmental Health office was available for contact regarding this incongruity. Bennet also says that although Andy's currently has a score of 98, the restaurant originally had a 96. The extra points were awarded because the management at Andy's successfully completed an approved Food Protection Managers course titled Serve Safe, an elementary level class about sanitation.

Although an inspection resulting in a score below 70 results in an automatic revocation of the establishment's permit, many restaurants still can afford to have a low score. The extra two points ensures their

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### Forget the New York Times, check out Fark.com

Web site offers users up to the minute news

MICHAEL MCANDREW STAFF WRITER

Drew Curtis's Fark.com can best be characterized as "new media." Like Digg and Reddit, Fark is a news Web site where users can submit news articles from around the world, generally of a humorous or political nature. Curtis originally conceived Fark in 1999 as a way to share news items of potential interest with his friends rather than send them numerous, lengthy e-mails.

Fark soon grew in popularity, and frequent visitors to Curtis's site would submit their own news links with increasing regularity, to the point that Fark soon required forums and a number of moderators. Curtis himself still submits articles, though he primarily 'green lights' others articles for approval on the front page. Moderators, depending on the content, approve all links submitted to Fark.com. All these moderators and administrators are friends of Curtis himself, and approve the 'green lit' articles with tags based on the

The submitted links are 'tagged' next to the submitted headline with a small descriptor. Frequent tags include 'cool,' 'spiffy,' 'strange,' 'scary,' 'interesting,' 'scary,' 'sad,' 'obvious' and 'weird' among others. Articles about Florida (usually involving automobile accidents, police and municipal corruption or drug smuggling) are so frequent that the state was given it's own custom tag with a small Florida orange in place of the 'o.' Perhaps second only to articles about Florida in popularity are articles about noted thespian/

submitter's feelings about the dancer Christopher Walken, so much so that he also has his own custom tag, reserved solely for articles about him.

Two of Fark's most interesting features are the 'news' and 'news flash' tags. This tag is reserved for breaking news (such as revelations behind New York Governor Elliot Spitzer alleged prostitution scandal). The 'news flash' tag is for especially important news (such as the recent shootings on campuses in America)

This enables so-called 'Farkers' to rapidly disseminate infor-

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VolunteerCorps work to make Eastern North Carolina a better place



ECU has a program through Americorps called VolunteerCorps.

College of Education program says anyone can volunteer

MICHAEL MCANDREW STAFF WRITER

One part of the ECU community that has a long tradition at the university is the College of Education. Within the college, volunteerism and mentorship programs abound. The ECU/Americorps Project HEART initiative is just one of those programs.

Americorps is a network of over 3,000 volunteer nonprofit organizations, including both public agencies and faithbased initiatives committed to providing services to communities in need. Together ECU and Americorps, along with the North Carolina Commission on Volunteerism and Community Service, the Boys and Girls Club in Eastern North Carolina and other community organizations have formed Project HEART.

According to it's Web site, the goal of Project HEART is to "...increase the number of students who succeed academically, reduce the dropout rate and increase the number of students who graduate from high school in 4 years."

To this end, Project HEART has mobilized an organization known as VolunteerCorps in Eastern North Carolina.

According to the Kenneth Taylor, the Volunteer

Coordinator for Project Heart at ECU, "Project HEART is also dedicated to making a difference in the communities it serves and the Volunteer-Corps enables the program to make this difference. The VolunteerCorps is a cadre of students and adults that strives to bring meaningful service to our communities in hopes of creating a better tomorrow for the citizens of our area. Freely giving of their time and talent, the VolunteerCorps' members strive to strengthen our communities and school systems."

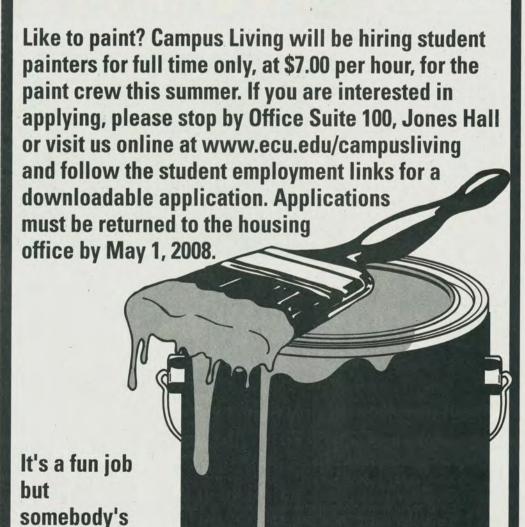
Taylor became Volunteer Coordinator of Project HEART at ECU when the position opened up in December of last year. Since then Taylor has worked to contact potential volunteers across ECU's campus.

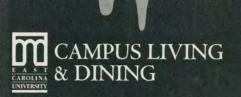
'In my new role, I've made presentations to student organizations, created a group on Facebook, and distributed flyers to increase memberships in our Corps. I have also had the responsibility of creating an AmeriCorps alumni chapter for eastern NC," Taylor said.

Project HEART's Volunteer Corps opportunities are available to any ECU student. "Everyone in Eastern North Carolina is eligible to participate including students at other institutions of higher education, K-12 students, teachers, parents and other community members. As volunteers we can come all together to help others--working together, [we

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Tickets are available through the ECU Central Ticket Office starting March 17 in Mendenhall Student Center. Call (2520 328-4788 for more information or contact us at GoldenKey@ecu.edu.

Tickets are \$10.00 purchased prior to the event. Tickets will be available at the door on a first-come first-serve basis.

# Students experience Native American tradition



The age-old sweat lodge ritual uses hot stones, which participants believe lead to spiritual cleansing.

The sweat lodge ritual symbol of spirituality

> CHELSEA CAMPEN STAFF WRITER

The sweat lodge is a Native American tradition rich in symbolism which participants believe cleanses and facilitates spirituality and healing. The tradition of the lodge has been maintained to the present and is still used today.

Essentially, a sweat lodge ritual is a ceremonial sauna where participants pray, meditate or

There are several roles when the lodge is held, that of water pourer and fire keeper. Water pourers douse hot stones, often granite or soapstone to make steam that heats the lodge. They also direct the lodge ceremony.

'The 'job' of the water pourer is to connect energetically with the participants in the lodge so that if there is a problem it can be dealt with. To lead the ceremony, it takes years to learn the protocol. In the protocol there are definite musts involved in each round," said Nancy Pocklington, a water pourer for the tradition.

The role of fire keeper is to tend to the fire while others are in lodge and they deliver the hot stones into the lodge. The fire keeper's name is

also symbolic in nature. "The fire keeper is in charge of the energy of the fire. The fire is important because it creates the Spirit Trail into the lodge. This trail brings in the healing energies needed, and when the door is opened after a round, the energy from the Lodge flows back out to the fire taking all the prayers to Creator and transmuting the negative energies that may be shed during the round," Pocklington said.

There are sweat lodges all over the world, varying from tradition to tradition.

"In Ireland they have lodges made of stone. In South America the women who pour lodge sit on little cane chairs," Pocklington said.

Above all, the lodge is a purification ceremony, often fulfilling the function of cleansing before another ceremony.

"It is done before many other ceremonies to cleanse and purify so that you bring the best to the ceremony. There is always prayer," Pock-

Sweating in the lodge detoxifies the body and also provides the possibility of a spiritual experience.

"You really can't avoid the cleansing of the body. You may also have a spiritual experience. A lot depends on how open you are, whether you've been 'good' and refrained from drinking, caffeine and drugs for a week; however anyone can have a spiritual experience no matter what," Pocklington said.

Some ECU students attended a sweat lodge

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# Alumni Association to present dating program

Dating Dahling will feature alumna Candace McKenzie

> WAYNE SAMPSON STAFF WRITER

The East Carolina Alumni Association is set to bring a successful alumna back to her alma mater today. Candace McKenzie (class of 1991) was asked to come back to encourage current, and past students to reach for their dreams. She has appeared on numerous radio and television programs such as E Entertainment's Dr. 90210, CBS and Sirius Radio.

The speaker will be part of a program called the Published Pirates that will invite alumni and faculty that have published literature to talk with students about their journey at ECU.

expertise to ECU students at "The Dating Dahling Presents: How to Impress Your Date Every Time" from 3 p.m.-5 p.m. today at the Taylor-Slaughter Alumni Center located at 901 East Fifth Street next to Sigma Sigma Sigma Sorority house.

"The event gives the Alumni Association the opportunity to provide our students and local alumni with some practical dating tips while featuring one of our own talented and accomplished alumna," said Paul Clifford, associate vice chancellor for alumni relations at the Taylor/ Slaughter Alumni Center.

This program was put together to engage alumni, and offer something to students. The association expects its guests to be entertained while still learning something about dating.

Candace will offer advice

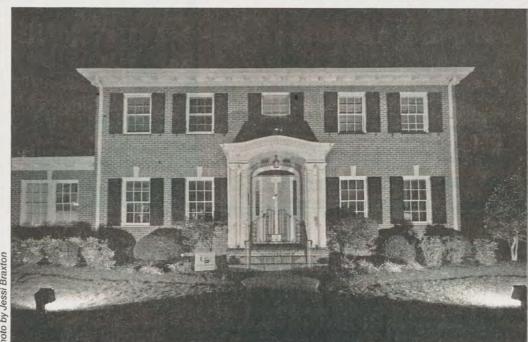
Candace will be lending her on hot topics about the dating scene, how to impress dates and how to appeal to a prospective date. Attendees will get to mingle with The Dahling Queen herself, hear from her and ask questions. Candace will be available for a book signing after the program, and Dowdy Student Stores will have her books for purchase.

The purpose of the ECU Alumni Association is to "inform, involve and serve members of the ECU family throughout their lifelong relationship with the university," according to their Web site.

To learn more about the event or Candace, visit datingdahling.com.

For more information about the Alumni Association visit their Web site at piratealumni.com.

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The Taylor-Slaughter Alumni Center is located on East Fifth Street next to the tri-Sigma sorority house.

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permit will not be revoked and they can continue to observe unhygienic health procedures and serve food to the public.

Tim Butnam, manager of Papa John's on Tenth Street states that in the past the Serve Safe sanitation class had been attended by a manager to boost the restaurants score, however, they had not attend the class recently and were not current on their certification. Papa John's received a 95.

Although many companies have sanitation safety education built into their employee core curriculum, Arby's on Tenth Street have monthly sanitation

built into their employees training as well as corporate training the managers must attend. Arby's received two points taking them from a 97 to a their current 99 rating.

"We pride ourselves with being consistent when it comes to inspections, two points or not we still keep our restaurant very clean. Hygiene is not only important to the customers but everyone with Arby's," said Otis Washington, manager of the Arby's on Tenth Street.

Although some restaurants in Greenville have opted for the "two extra points system" some refuse to take the Serve

"I feel it's a little dishonest [that] they encourage you to use the points to boost your score but I'm not paying over \$100 to take a class on stuff I already know," said Delia Liuzza, owner of the Tipsy Teapot on Evans Street, which currently has a sanitation score of 94.

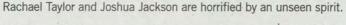
" I mean 94 is the lowest by we've gotten and I'm ashamed of it but at least it's real.'

A consumer must not only eat smart and make healthy & choices, but double check the sanitation of their favorite establishments.

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## New horror film falls short







Taylor stars in the film Shutter.

Horror flick proves to be less than fantastic

> VERONICA CARRINGTON STAFF WRITER

In the era of thrill and chill suspense films that ostensibly fall flat, 2008's Shutter is no different. The film released March 21 has only received 8% positive reviews from some critics.

The story centers on a newly wedded couple played by Joshua Jackson and Rachael Taylor. When the couple ventures to Japan, where every "revenge horror" film must take place, so that Jackson's character may pursue a job in fashion photography, the couple finds more than they bargain for. Upon their arrival in Japan a predictable, yet tragic, car accident causes them to hit a young woman standing in the road. The young woman's body is never located. The characters are very two-dimensional in most cases, particularly in the

circumstances that surround the young woman's tragic death. The acting is sub -par and Joshua Jackson gives a less than stellar performance as a distraught newlywed. It is axiomatic to see why the film was not screened for critics, this watered-down motion picture is clearly devoid of characters, excitement, or anything vaguely akin to horror. The assertion of the film is still the same as always, hesitate before you disparage a waif-like Asian woman; if this occurs she will return to passively- aggressively haunt you, and send you into a mental institution.

The film has grossed \$10,700,000 thus far, and being rated Pg-13 may be a bit lenient for the sexual content as well as the graphic misfortune that befalls our shadowy ingénue. Nevertheless, the film is a squander of \$6 at the Greenville Grand and if it wasn't for the popcorn Shutter would be a total loss.

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#### FARK continued from B3



mation across the internet much faster than print journalists in their dailies and weeklies, and even faster and more efficiently than 24 cable news networks, dominated by news cycles, ideological partisanship and outdated ideas in their leadership.

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media outlets online, such as The Washington Post and The New York Times, Fark is free, and it does not require a paid subscription to join and read their content, although there is a fee of \$5 to enable the user with the capabilities to submit content. Recent figures on site traf-

fic estimate that Fark received 52 million page views per month by more than 4 million unique users, far more than many traditional media outlets.

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#### **HEART**

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can] enhance the education, economic, social and physical wellbeing of our communities.'

Taylor also stressed that ECU students should not hesiatte to get involved with Volun-

"It is up to the volunteer to decide which opportunities they wish to be involved in. They are simply required to respond with a yes or no. So even if they think they have a limited amount of time the VolunteerCorps could still be for them," he said.

For more information about the VolunteerCorps, visit ecu. edu/cs-educ/projectheart.

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#### **SWEAT**

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in Tuscarora, NC on Saturday, March 22.

Danielle Bryan, senior Religions and Psychology major at ECU, found the experience

"It was an assault on your senses. A physical and a mental challenge," said Bryan.

"I don't think it would be something that I would do on a regular basis. Its too intense to endure regularly."

For more information about the sweat lodge ritual, visit welcomehome.org.

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#### Scholar-Teacher Awards Symposium

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Scholar-Teacher Awards Thursday, April 3, 2008 Mendenhall Great Room 1 and 244 1:30 - 3:15 p.m.

(Approximate times)

Harriot College of Arts & Sciences, John Stiller

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College of Nursing, Bruce Leonard

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College of Health and Human Performance, Nelson Cooper

2:50-3:05 p.m. Great Room 1

College of Education, Sid Rachlin

1:30-1:45 p.m. Room 244

College of Business, John Reisch

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College of Technology & Computer Science, Danny Lee Morton

College of Human Ecology, Mel Weber

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College of Fine Arts and Communication, Laura C. Prividera

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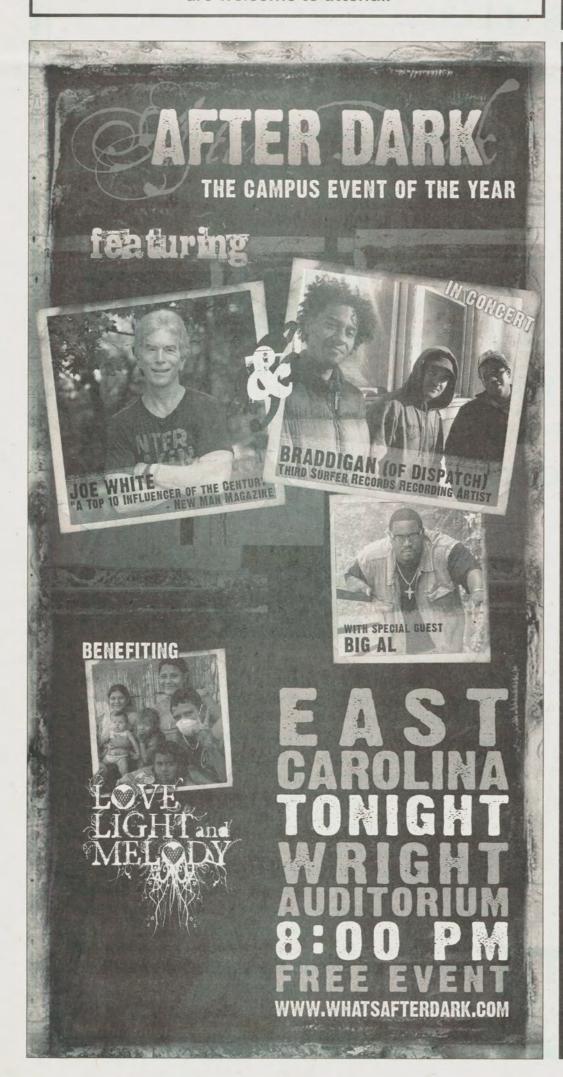
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# Founders Week at East Carolina University

As we celebrate ECU's centennial it is important to know some basic information about our University's beginnings. From a modest teacher's training school to a dynamic, national research university,

#### ECU has a colorful history.

- On March 8th, 1907 East Carolina Teachers Training School was chartered.
- This charter was for a school that would train white males and females to become teachers in the North Carolina school system.
- In May of 1907 a poll was taken to see whether Pitt County should pass a \$50,000 bond for the school. At
  this poll, a local farmer, Haywood Dail, took the ballots that had been marked with "No" and chewed
  them up and put them in his pocket, that way the bond was sure to pass.
- The proposal for the bill passed, which meant that Greenville would be proposed as the home of the East Carolina Teachers Training School
- Greenville, along with 7 other cities presented themselves to the State Board of Education as perspective homes for the ECTTS on June 5<sup>th</sup>
- On July 11<sup>th</sup> Greenville was declared to be the site of this school with the approval of nearly the entire
- In July of 1908, groundbreaking ceremonies were held where the first four buildings were to be located.
- In the summer of 1909 faculty were hired for the start of classes.
- October 5<sup>th</sup>, 1909 was the first day for enrollment—there were 104 women, 19 men, and 11 faculty
- June 11th, 1911 was the graduation date of the first class

We began the centennial celebration with a birthday party in March 2007 to mark the 100th anniversary of the charter for our school.

Centennial celebrations will continue through 2009, commemorating the two-year span of the school's inception, building, and first day of class.

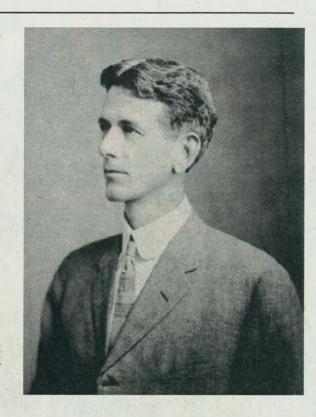
# Did you know....? Fun Facts of ECU

- In 1926, a point system was put into place to earn a letter sweater—some ways to earn points included shampooing your hair 2 times a month earned 1 point, eating 3 meals a day earned 1 point per week, an original song or yell earned 15 points—450 points were required to get a letter
- In the fall of 1923, enrollment was 516
- January 12, 1932 the men's basketball team, The Teachers, was formed and won their first game against Campbell College
- In 1932 Henry Oglesby became the first male to graduate from ECTC
- 1947-men's enrollment exceeds women's enrollment for the first time
- 1948-Detachment 600 of Air Force ROTC was created
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- 1960-Aycock was the first dorm built on College Hill



How well do you know your founders?

Cotten 1846-1929 Wright 1870-1934



Sallie Southall Cotten born June 13, 1846 was an advocate of educational opportunities for women in Eastern, NC. She was the founder of the N.C. Federation of Women's Clubs. Sallie began her career in 1893 when she was appointed "alternate lady manager" on the committee to plan North Carolina's part in the Chicago World's Fair. She founded and was active in several clubs in Eastern NC. Most endearingly, those who loved and shared her passion for education knew Sallie as "Mother Cotton". She successfully campaigned for women to be granted the right to serve on public school boards. She died May 4, 1929 in Massachusetts and is buried in a family plot in Greenville. Cotten Dormitory is named after her, which is one of two in the state. Along with being a campaigner for women's issues, Cotten also published articles and poetry (The White Doe in 1901 and a verse history of the Lost Colony).

Robert H. Wright, first president of East Carolina Teachers Training School (what became East Carolina University) graduated from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill with a B.S. degree in 1897. He then attended Johns Hopkins University from 1901-1902 where he received a Master's degree. Wright also received an honorary doctorate of education from Wake Forest University. He taught in the public school system in North and South Carolina from 1891-1894. He then was head of the department of history at Baltimore City College from 1903-1906, and principal at Eastern High School in Baltimore from 1906-1909. He was named president of East Carolina Teachers Training School when it was established in 1909. Wright enjoyed fishing, golf, and football. Wright's final speech, "While Death Waited" appeared in the Raleigh News and Observer shortly after his death.

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# Give peace a chance

Some thoughts on war

ANDREA ROBERTSON OPINION WRITER

The 1960s. Emerging from the peaceful and idealistic time of the '50s, America was plunged into the depths of free love and the mayhem of Vietnam, and young men and women were doing everything in their power to promote peace all over the nation. I feel that they had the right idea

While dancing to Bob Dylan, Janis Joplin, Jimi Hendrix and John Lennon, the youth of America tried to show that loving one another was not a difficult task. Labeled "hippies," they spoke out against the war and against the prejudices in our own country, and tried to show others that the only things you need to be happy are to love and be loved by your fellow man.

Once again we find our country in the midst of war, and people forgetting the importance of acceptance and love. After experiencing the grief of previous wars, why are Americans so apt to promote warfare and fighting? Instead of showing that our country can accept the differences in those we have labeled many "infidels," George Bush has proclaimed that we are on a crusade and has vowed to rid the world of its evil-doers!

Knowing that both the words "infidel" and "crusade" carry religious connotations, our beloved president proclaimed to rid the world of those who believe differently than we. Not only did he practically state that he is going to rid the world of the Muslim faith (at least in the eyes of those in the Middle East), but he paired that faith with evil. If you were led to believe that someone thought you were evil and was preparing a crusade against you simply because you believe something different, wouldn't you try to attack before being

Whether either side is right or wrong, it's pointless to send our citizens to another country to kill or be killed, when we have already witnessed the frivolousness of war. Instead of trying to resolve issues by fighting, which our parents taught us solves nothing, shouldn't we do more to open the communication lines? No one wants to listen when they feel that they'll be ridiculed, therefore it is absurd to say that we have tried to talk to our adversaries!

A country that is impoverished, non-democratic, and non-Christian will believe that the only way we will be peaceful with them is to press our belief systems on them. Maybe they are happy the way they are! It's understandable that they'll be on the defensive, so until we can show a little more compassion, we shouldn't expect them to act any differently that we would if we felt someone was trying to change us.

Understanding that those in Iraq may not be evil-doers and maybe just regular people like us, perhaps our country's higher-ups will open their eyes and coexist. If we expect people to accept us for our differences, we should also accept the differences of others and not resort to war. Although people in the '60s viewed their youth as souls lost to the disillusioned idea that love can change the world, maybe we should once again look back and find the truth in that belief. In the words of John Lennon and Yoko Ono, "Give peace a chance."

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# Paying for college

How much should parents help?

MARGOT ROGERSON OPINION WRITER

Undoubtedly, when people decide to have children, an important factor is their ability to send that child to college now that tuition is at an all-time high. After deciding which college is most affordable, some parents are faced with another decision: how much financial help should they give their child?

My parents decided to pay for my entire tuition and a small monthly allowance that covers part of my rent. Other expenses (utilities, car payment, spending) I must pay for myself.

One of my best friends, Amber, pays her entire tuition, fees and living expenses. Since we entered college, she and I have both had jobs, mostly waiting tables.

On the other hand, I have friends who pay for nothing. Some of them receive virtually unlimited funds from their parents. They haven't had to work outside of school since they came to college. Oh, there are a few who have picked up occasional jobs for some extra cash, but I still can't help but think "It must be nice!"

As I'm finishing my third year at ECU, my opinion is beginning to change. I am starting to think realistically about life in the real world. When I was a freshman, I resented my parents for forcing me to work-and go to school because I wasn't able to attend every party or sporting event when I knew they had the means for me to do so.

Amber pays her bills for a different reason. Her parents do not have the means to support her living expenses and tuition.

That said, I no longer resent my parents for their decision. If anything, I appreciate it more. Having a job and paying bills has taught me responsibility and kept me level-headed and organized.

It would be nice to stop worrying about money and have my parents pick up the bill. I might be able to spend more time studying and participating in my education, but I can't help but wonder how many of those other students will really be ready for the pressures of "real life" and bills that come every month?

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{Your procrastination destination}

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It's a sad moment when you realize that the stall you're in has no toilet

Those people who park their cars outside of Garrett should be aware of the suspicious guy walking slowly by the cars looking in all of the back windows. I know I would want to be told if someone was snooping around my expensive car.

It makes me mad that I can't rant about my true opinion of the Westboro Baptist Church even though they can openly protest deceased soldiers s. I think we all know what I want to say.

As a witch, I was very offended by the noose found on campus

Since when did it become SO hard to find a quiet spot in the library?

I love how you try to sway my votes by the use of condoms. Do you really think I'm that unintelligent or that your that cute? Thanks, but no thanks.

When I'm walking out of 360 with the wonderful ice cream bar that they overcharged me for, I don't want to hear you MURDER an overrated Brittney Spears song with your incredible annoying voice

Does anyone think that since the average grade on the last exam in Oceanography was a 47, it apparently means it was a little undertaught and expects us to be experts on the stuff?

I love how I got an email about how some of the SGA canidates are corrupt. I really don't care.

My sorority advisor is the Wicked Witch of the West.

To anyone who came into the bathroom after I did, sorry about

Don't wish ill upon your enemies.

Hey, neighbors, it's 2 in the morning. Would you kindly shut the hell up?

To the person who wants to catch the ECU squirrels and spray paint them: Please be my best friend!

There's something wrong when your face looks like a tangerine, but your hands and feet look like cotton balls. Either spray it everywhere, or go

Whatever happened

to showing gratitude?

LARA OLIVER

OPINION WRITER

day when I happened to land on my favorite

source of ... well, let's say interestingly skewed

news. That's right, good old Fox News. The

same place that gives us Bill "I can judge

others for their sexual exploits while telling a

girl I want her to rub falafel on me" O'Reilly

and a handy soap box for Ann "I don't need a

soap box because I'm eight feet tall and made

of bones and plastic" Coulter was covering

a story on a lawsuit filed against Starbucks.

shift managers more than its baristas, so the shift

managers would share in the tip pool of the rest of

the employees. The lawsuit found that it was unlaw-

ful for the shift managers to do so because they

were the baristas' gratuities and for them alone.

ently didn't think so. Or, at least, their talking

piece for the moment didn't. He went on a rant

about how baristas don't "deserve" the tips for

the coffee being so expensive, citing a "five

dollar latte." I usually just get a black coffee or

a green tea when I go to Starbucks, and when I

do, the price usually ends up around two bucks.

I can't imagine lattes being that much more.

Still, that isn't the point. The baristas don't

set the prices, and people who give their busi-

ness to Starbucks choose to do so. Nobody's

holding a gun to their head, making them get

their coffee at Starbucks instead of at home.

That seems fair, right? Fox News appar-

Apparently, the company wasn't paying its

I was flipping through the news the other

I wish I could tell some of my professors to go hire a hooker.

I feel like the dumbest member in my family, yet somehow I'm in college I wish I could work as a stripper for a week and pay off some bills without it coming back to haunt me.

Is it sad that I'm scared to lose weight

because I know my boobs will be the first things to go? The only money I have to my name is

a jar of pennies sitting on my desk. I really hope my car doesn't get towed tonight 'cause I'm broke and I parked in the lot off BB&T. It was 3 AM, and I

have to wake up in 2.5 hours. Should I just skip the sleeping part?

wanted to be as close to Clement as

possible to avoid rape attemps.

Who is in charge of updating the Student Union Web site?! They are doing a horrible job this year with posting the movie times. Mendenhall, if you are not going to pass out the movie time sheets anymore, the least you could do is keep your Web site up to date. And I'm not talking about just scanning the time sheets either since they are hard to read online.

These past two Tuesdays have been like hell for me without my Pirate Rants! Why do you do this to me,

I saw a Duke fan today. I pointed and laughed at him. I have a beer belly, but I don't drink

Spring Break should have been the

Life is like a Pirate Rant ... you never know what you are going to get.

same week as Good Friday!

I hate it when hot guys are aware of

Group work makes me cringe

Watching Full House is my guilty

I think I could write better commercials than the auto dealers in and around Greenville if I was force fed my body weight in crack.

If life is a highway, I must be on the

Here's a tip: Don't be a jerk!

Was it too much to ask for a chocolate bunny and some jelly beans for

Easter? I miss my Easter basket! Thank you for listening to me and not staring at my boobs. It was rather refreshing.

saw some kids having and Easter egg hunt ... and I got jealous.

undress with my windows open. I am almost certain someone from Campus Towers has seen me naked because of it. I honestly couldn't

Dear Campus Towers neighbor, could you please keep your immature girlfriend from screaming and slamming doors? Better yet, since you already "ruined everything," maybe you should just break up so the rest of us don't have to listen to her rediculous tantrums! Thanks.

Nationwide is so not on my side. I'm ready to play nurse.

I got my sense of morality from Shel Silverstein.

Sorority chicks are frat mattresses.

When I'm in class, I'm either thinking about sex or my hair.

Professors, it's not that we don't like you, it's just that it's inhuman to sit in an uncomfortable seat for 90 mins. and stare at you talking about stuff that we will never use in life. And if for some reason we had to know, there's always Google, so if I don't come to class, please don't take it

Drunk Facebooking is going to end up killing me!

The ECU Parking people really need to learn how to have some compassion. I already pay enough for tuition, I don't need to pay them to be able to park my car. Thanks for the \$25 ticket.

If you want to have a job after you graduate, don't be a political science major. It's been real. It's been fun. It's been real fun ... but I can't find a job to save my life

If I get a rant posted, then my friend will join the clergy.

If the clergy rants gets in, then this one should too ... by association.

Piercings are removable. Ugly is

permanent

What shall I do now?

Unfortunately, the act of tipping seems to be

a dying habit. From Steve Buscemi's rant as Mr.

Pink in Reservoir Dogs on how he doesn't believe

in tipping, to the modern excuse of "I can't afford

to not tip. Aside from horrendous service, I really

need those tips for their income. Of course, some

people consider "horrendous service" when their

full. So, let's just assume that when I say "hor-

rendous service", I mean rudeness and complete

disregard for the customer. I can honestly say I've

never been to a sit-down restaurant and experi-

enced service so bad I could simply not tip at all.

# Afraid of the weight room?

Why women should try it more

LISA ENSMINGER OPINION WRITER

Why is it that nearly every girl is afraid to travel down to the weight area at the REC center? When I go to work out, I ask my friends if they want to lift some weights or work on the machines, and their response is always a NO! It's funny to see how girls can be so intimidated by macho boys working out hardcore with those

I must admit I am not as confident as I may sound about lifting weights with a bunch of guys; it took me some time to muster the courage to travel down to the land of weights. It's intimidating to walk across the room by yourself with guys all around, watching as you go by because you're a girl. And when girls are lifting light five-pounders while the guy next to us has a 50-pound dumbbell, it makes us feel a little weak. It's a shame that girls can't do their daily workout or even try some weight machines out of fear. Whenever I ask girls why they're never down there, I get the same response: "I don't like the guys."

I think the obvious answer to this dilemma is for girls to get over it and just do their own thing, but that, as we all know, is easier said than done. Girls, of course, have much insecurity and are just not comfortable in their own skin. Maybe that's why some of us are there, to lose some weight or improve our figure. Honestly, we don't want to be around more than twenty guys while dressed in a pair of shorts and a sweaty t-shirt, and with a red face. We're not at our most attractive.

So, what to do in this predicament? I really don't have an answer, but here are a few ideas. When I venture to the weight area, I'm most comfortable with my iPod plugged in. I'm so preoccupied with my music that I do not even recognize what's going on around me. For most girls, that probably isn't enough. Maybe take a risk and go with a friend who might have the same fear. You may be pleasantly surprised that you both can do it and feel ten times more comfortable than by yourself.

Those are just two simple ways to overcome your fear of the weight room, but there are some other options. Gyms could encourage a weight program for girls in order to promote this type of exercise and educate us on the different machines. This would be a great way to get girls out there and really show off what we can do. Another is to set separate hours for girls and guys; however I don't think that is necessary. Show those guys that you don't care if they are staring at you because they shouldn't be looking anyway!

I hope reading this article motivates those girls who are afraid to lift weights and really tone their bodies. I know the weight area isn't for everybody, but I do know that there are some of you that are dying to get your behinds there to get that fine tone you want to accomplish. Give it a try one time. You may just find yourself looking better and gaining more confidence!

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People who work in the service industry, especially food service, are working a small scale of income that can range from two dollars below minimum wage up to just barely above minimum wage. Doesn't really seem like that lucrative of a career, does it? Many waiters and waitresses make such a small hourly income due to the assumption that the tips they

come from if they aren't receiving those tips? Your waiter/waitress/delivery person/ barista is working a crap job, and you know it. That's why you're making them do that work for you instead of doing it yourself. They're working under stressful conditions in sometimes dangerous places full of angry custom-

make will compensate for that lacking portion.

Where do you think that extra income will

ers and the aforementioned low wages. If you really can't afford to give them the leftover change from buying your coffee, maybe you can't afford to buy that coffee in the first place.

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# Sports

# On TAP...

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#### Baseball

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Saturday at. UCF 6:30 p.m

Sunday at. UCF 1:00 p.m.

#### Softball

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Sunday at. Tulsa 1:00 p.m.

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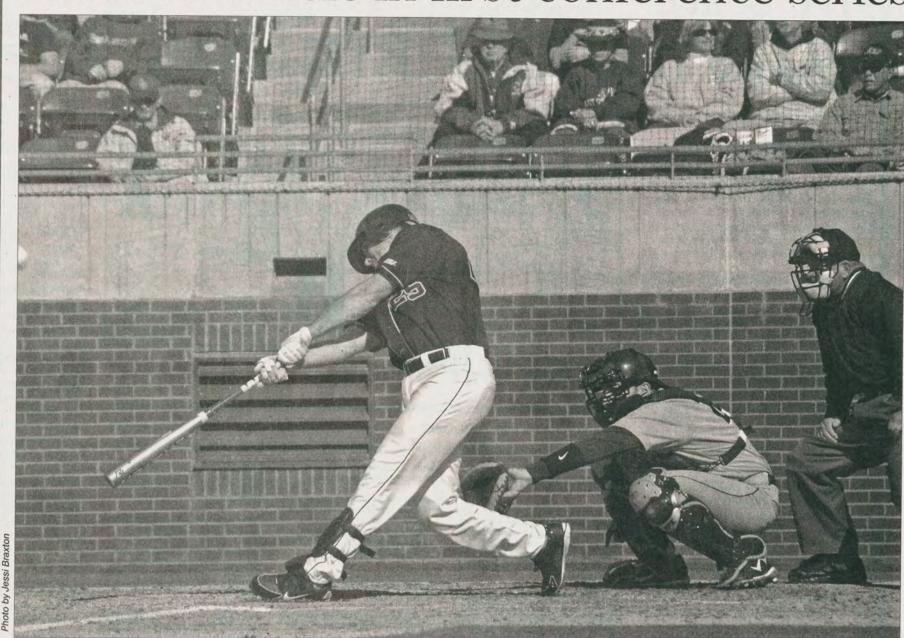
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Saturday Raleigh Relays All Day

# Pirates stumble in first conference series



The Pirates' bats were alive on Saturday as they scored 15 runs in a 15-4 win, but ECU only scored seven runs the rest of the weekend as it lost its series to Houston.

#### Pirates hope to rebound in Florida

HART HOLLOMAN STAFF WRITER

The Pirates' baseball team opened conference play this past weekend by dropping two of three to visiting Houston.

Houston took game one Friday night, but the Pirates bounced back to take game two on Saturday in dominating fashion before narrowly losing in the finale on Sunday.

With their spirits high from the previous days' exploits, the Pirates took the field on Easter Sunday hoping to take the rubber match and finish the weekend above .500 in the conference. But it was not to be, as they never seemed to quite get in the groove against the Cougars' pitchers.

The Pirates were already down by five before recording their first hit and run of the game.

In the bottom of the fifth, ECU managed to tie the game at five as Houston pitchers walked in three runners and the Pirates put two more across with base hits.

ECU starter Justin Bristow had battled through five innings and ECU coach Billy Godwin sent him back out

to start the sixth. That proved to be one too many for Bristow when the first batter of the inning took him deep to left for what would end up being the winning run.

Houston would get one more run in the sixth and another in the seventh while the Pirates were unable to match and the final score read 8-5.

After the game Godwin was disappointed with the teams all around play, especially defensively.

"We got down early and we came back, but defensively we gave away too many runs," he said. "That can't happen in conference series against a good opponent."

He was however optimistic about his teams chances

of bouncing back.

"We're a good offensive team and we know that."

Godwin said "We can put runs on the board but we put

Godwin said. "We can put runs on the board but we put too much pressure on the offense and we just have to go out and make plays defensively."

The Pirates were riding a 13-game win streak as

they welcomed conference foe Houston to town. The first game saw Houston knock around the Pirate pitchers for 14 runs on 16 hits. ECU's starting pitcher, T.J. Hose, lasted only two innings and gave up four runs on five hits before he was replaced in the third by Brad Mincey. Mincey didn't fare much better against the potent Cougars' lineup, as he gave up seven runs on eight hits in

his three innings of work. Dainel Holder came on in the sixth to stop the bleeding but the damage was done and the game was all but over as Houston put three more across in the last four frames.

ECU's bats were kept fairly quiet by Houston on Friday as starter Wes Musick gave up two runs and scattered six hits in his 6 1/3 innnings of work. Drew Schieber managed a solo home run and Jamie Ray scored on Ryan Wood's ground out to short. After that Musick was pulled for reliever Chase Dempsay, who only allowed one more hit in the final 2 1/3 innings.

Saturday's game saw the Pirate's bats wake up. ECU scored early and often, and put five runs on the board in three separate innings as it cruised to a 15-4 victory. Corey Kemp tied a school record with three home runs, all solo shots, a feat last accomplished in 1999.

Kemp said that he had hit two home runs in a game a couple of times, but his three home run performance on Saturday was the first of the senior's career.

The Pirates wasted no time in getting to Houston starter Ty Stuckey after Friday's loss. With two on and

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# Opinion: The state of ECU men's basketball



Mack McCarthy (far right) signed a 5-year contract after a season as the Pirates' interim coach.

McCarthy inks five-year deal with Pirates

KELLEN HOLTZMAN STAFF WRITER

. The fate of a NCAA Division I head basketball coach is usually determined in the win/loss column at most schools.

For ECU coach Mack McCarthy, restoring pride to a relatively lifeless program outweighed numbers.

McCarthy recently agreed to a new contract that will keep

him in Greenville for the next five seasons.

He inherited a team that went a combined 14-44 overall and 3-25 in Conference USA play in two years under former head coach Ricky Stokes.

As interim coach this past season however, McCarthy led ECU to a record of 11-19 overall and 5-11 in C-USA.

The season was highlighted by a first ever win against an ACC opponent over NC State, a victory over eventual CAA tourney champion George Mason, and five conference wins including a shocker over NCAA tournament hopeful Houston to end the regular season

"I am extremely excited and pleased to be the head basketball coach of the East Carolina University Pirates," McCarthy said in a statement released by the athletic department. "We are proud of what we did last season as a starting point, and my staff and I cannot wait to get on with the business of making Pirate Basketball better.

"We very much appreciate the opportunity given and confidence shown by the administration, and we will work as hard as possible to justify their actions."

An 11-19 record would be considered a disappointment at most schools, but is currently considered an accomplishment at ECU.

More important than any statistical achievement, McCarthy has brought stability to a program in ruins, which is something he has previously been able to do at UT-Chattanooga and VCU.

During his stint with the Mocs, seven of McCarthy's teams

made the postseason. From 1988-1995, UT-Chattanooga won eight regular season championships and five tournament titles. In his last year at the helm, the Mocs made a surprising run to the Sweet Sixteen as a No. 14 seed. McCarthy ended his stint with a 156-54 regular season record.

In four years as the head coach at VCU, the Rams winning percentage increased each season. McCarthy's record over four years at the Richmond campus was 66-55.

"There is no doubt in my mind that the current staff, under Coach McCarthy's leadership, will continue to move this basketball program forward," ECU Director of Athletics Terry Holland said, in the statement. "Therefore, we have developed a five-year contract with a bonus structure that rewards our coach for continuing excellence in already strong areas (academics and public relations) while

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also creating a strong incentive to improve the "bottom line" as defined by C-USA wins and our expectations for continued improvement in rebounding

The most important task for McCarthy starting off would be to keep current players at ECU for the duration of their careers.

On Tuesday, muli-ple Greenville media outlets announced that ECU sophomore Brandon Evans announced his plans to transfer to an unnamed university. The decision had nothing to do with McCarthy, but it was reported that he was unhappy with his playing time this past season, which was cut almost in half in comparison to his freshmen season.

ECU has seen this scenario played out multiple times since Stokes' predecessor Bill Herrion was fired, with the most prominent example being Mike

Cook was named to the C-USA All-Freshman Team in 2003-2004 before leading the Pirates in scoring with 15 points per game in 2004-

After Herrion was relinquished as head coach, Cook departed to his home state of Pennsylvania to play for Pittsburgh.

Last season, Cook started every game and finished second in both scoring and assists on a Panthers' squad that advanced to the Sweet Sixteen. The Philadelphia native was sidelined for most of this season with a torn ACL suffered in an overtime win over Duke.

Cook's time at ECU has been highly publicized, but most ECU supporters don't realize exactly how much talent has slipped away from the Purple and Gold.

Point guard Marvin Kilgore began his career at ECU in 2004-2005 before he jumped ship and headed west for UTEP. Kilgore finished third on the Miners' team in scoring this season, with an average of 12.7 points per

Belton Rivers, a 6-foot-4 shooting guard, came to ECU in 2002 but finished his career last season at Tennessee Tech where he led the Golden Eagles in scoring with 17.8 points per game.

Cal State Fullerton guard Frank Robinson also defected after Herrion's departure. Robinson played an integral role in the Titans' run to the NCAA tournament this season, finishing second on the team in scoring (15.8 ppg), rebounding

and 3-point shots made. Charles Bronson, a 6-foot-9 forward/center, never made it on the court for the Pirates in 2004-2005 and elected to transfer after his first semester. Bronson eventually wound up at Xavier where he is now classified as a junior. Bronson has been used sparingly this season but is highly regarded by the coaching staff and is likely to see big minutes for the Musketeers next season.

The transferring trend continued after Stokes' first season at the helm with notable players such as All-C-USA performer Tom Hammonds, Jr. and forward Jonathan Hart leaving.

The first thing that should come to any logical person's



mind is that Bill Herrion probably got the axe prematurely. The wave of transfers was directly related to the firing of Herrion and ECU basketball is just now on the verge of

Holland had no choice but to ink McCarthy to a new deal. With a solid foundation in place, ECU cannot afford to risk losing any of its players or weather another transition

McCarthy has earned the right to let his players

Ultimately, McCarthy would like to see more than two NCAA tournament banners hanging in Minges Coliseum. The Pirates' two lone March Madness appearances came in 1972 and 1993- and they haven't been remotely

ECU has not had a winning season since Joe Dooley's team went 17-10 in 1996-1997. The Pirates have never advanced out of the first round of a C-USA tournament since joining the league in 2001, and the last tournament win of any kind came in 1996 against American in the CAA Tournament. Rising seniors Sam Hin-

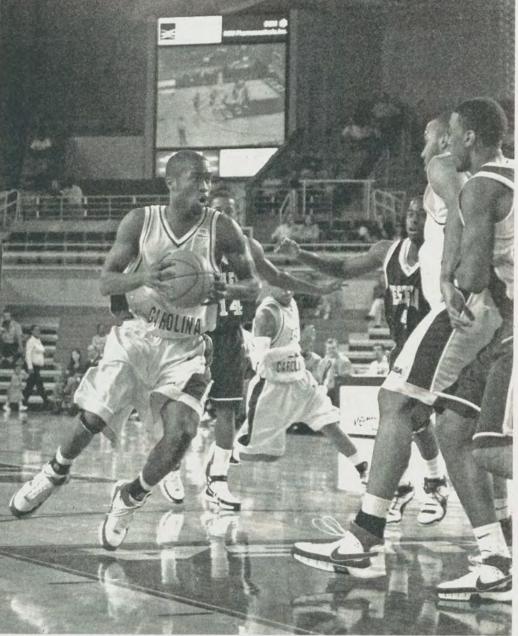
nant and James Legan have proven that they can be explosive scorers, but more importantly, McCarthy has eight returning players who will be either sophomores or juniors for the 2008-2009 campaign.

Jamar Abrams has perhaps the best combination of size, athleticism, and versatility that ECU has seen since Cook departed. His classmate, Brock Young has laid claim to the point guard spot for potentially the next three seasons. John Fields, Gabe Blair, and Chad Wynne have not yet reached "go-to-guy" status but are all solid players on the low block.

If the McCarthy staff can land back-to-back, quality recruiting classes, there is no reason why ECU shouldn't be competing for a winning record in the near futureand with a little luck, adding another banner to the rafters.

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Sam Hinnant will be one of the seniors that McCarthy will have to rely on next season.





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# Women's tennis is 'springing' into action

Lady Pirates boast 12-4 record

> SETH STRINGER STAFF WRITER

In the wake of coach McCarthy's five--year contract extension and a successful start to the Pirates' baseball season, the ECU women's tennis program is flying under the radar despite an impressive start to its spring campaign.

At 12-4, the Pirates' squad is anchored by a perfect balance of senior leadership and youth that has propelled the team to a climb in the national

But the team's success is not measured by its rank, which soared to No. 63 just one week ago.

The true success lies in the key contributions this team has received from its youth, its diaper dandies Jessica Cook and Tamara Sachs, who have excelled on the court in the No. 1 and No. 5 positions

They've both been solid and they provide great leadership on the court," said head coach Tom Morris. "We lose five seniors next season, and they help ease that transition by giving our team stability and a good foundation for next year's team and recruits."

At the top spot, Cook is 5-7 and 4-3 in doubles competition while towards the bottom of the lineup, Sachs has provided a team-leading 11 singles wins to go along with her 5-1 doubles mark.

"We have a lot of depth on this team, and considering most squads are weak as you get deeper into their lineups, it's important that I get the win in No. 5 or No. 6 slot," Sachs said

ECU's youth has been an integral part of the team's success, but the experienced veterans have also played an



Doubles play has been one of ECU's strengths this Spring and a big reason for the hot start.

Hannah Priest have combined for a 23-11 singles mark, while Borges and Gol have anchored ECU's doubles play with an imposing 6-1 record.

Complementing ECU's tandem of freshmen and seniors, sophomore Brooke Walter and junior Varinia Soler have played brilliantly, combining for a 15-8 record in the team's two and three

spots. Singles reserves Alex Smith, Zandy Overcash and Kristin Gordon have all filled in throughout the season from the three seed to the six seed, mounting an 11-0 record.

Whether the contributions have come from the team's seasoned veterans or talented freshman, ECU women's tennis is poised on setting the bar for a year where the level of competition and expecta-

Luiza Borges, Mireia Gol and beyond the top six singles is not a time to focus on weaknesses or improve flaws in the player's games.

It is instead a time to sharpen up the fundamentals and expand on the team's strengths leading into the heart of the schedule and tough conference play.

We try to work on our weaknesses in the fall, and in the spring the players fine-tune their stroke," said Morris. "A lot of our difficult individually on each match and continue to improve with the level of competition, we

Mirela Gol is one of five seniors on the Pirates' squad this Spring.

should be fine. The conditioning last fall has paid dividends as the Pirates began this season on a 10-0 tear, earning their first national ranking in the program's history highlighted by big wins over Elon, Gard-

ner Webb and Liberty. "Our team's playing really well," said Cook. "We have a

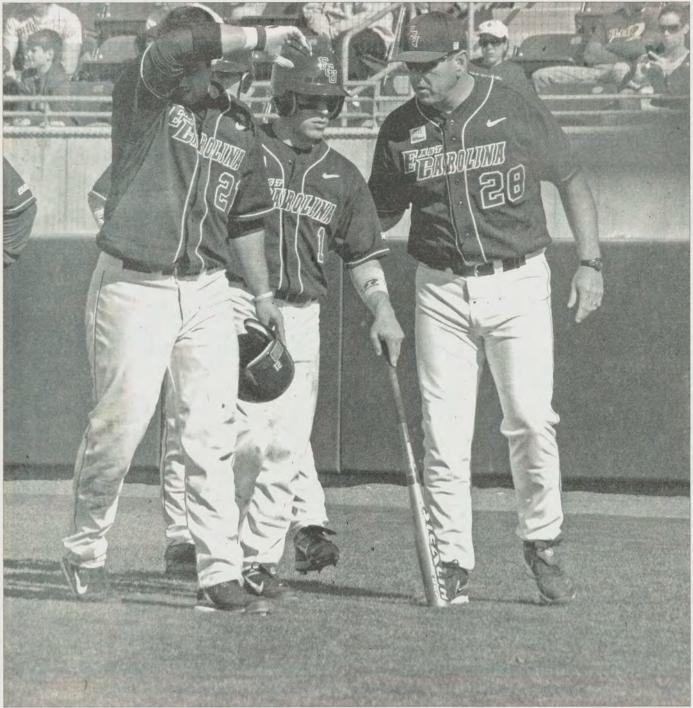
we're beating teams that we lost to last year.

ECU has since fallen to ranked opponents Virginia Tech and UNC, but a win over conference rival UAB has given ECU the momentum headed into April's conference

ECU hopes to continue its success as the Pirates host a 13-5 UNCW team tomorrow afternoon at 3 p.m.



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ECU head coach Billy Godwin (right) talks with outfielders Brandon Henderson and Harrison Eldridge at Clark-LeClair Stadium.

one out Brandon Henderson hit a shot that just cleared the right field fence. Kemp followed with his first home run of the day and after a Kyle Roller groundout, Dustin Harrington took Stuckey deep down the right field line. ECU starter Seth Maness pitched well through the fifth, only allowing two runs. But he ran into trouble in the sixth and gave up two more before Josh Ruhlman was brought on in relief. Ruhlman closed out the inning with the

They hit back-to-back home runs for the second time to open the inning. Kemp hit his second of the day and Roller followed with a monster blast well over the right field fence. The Pirates put three more across before Henderson flied out to end the inning.

Rulman then retired three straight in the top of the seventh before the Pirates got the bats rolling again in the bottom half of the frame.

Kemp again led off the inning for his record-tying today and I think that helped a lot," Kemp said. "I got some pitches that were probably mistake pitches that were up in the zone and I was able to capitalize. I think the day speaks for itself."

The Pirates scored four more runs on five more hits before Roller flied out to end the inning with the bases

Bailey Daniels came on in the ninth to close out the game and the Pirates celebrated their first conference victory of the season.

Saturday's dominating win

showed just how explosive ECU's offense can be, but the Pirates will have to play better in all three phases the rest of the conference play to avenge for the conference-opening series loss.

ECU will travel to Florida this weekend in another conference series, this time against UCF, before returning home to face in-state rival NC State on April 1.

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# Curry legacy continues to thrive at Davidson

Small sharpshooter is leading Davidson

AP- He was a skinny kid, not yet in his teens, and watching his father work at practice for the Charlotte Hornets. Stephen Curry was easy to spot at those workouts in the 1990s. He was the one with a ball on the side of the court. Far from messing around and creating a nuisance, Dell Curry's son studied plays and observed how Dad would run off screens.

When practice was over, he'd often challenge the player closest to his size - 5-foot-3 Muggsy Bogues - to a game of 1-on-1

'He was just like a son," Bogues recalled this week. "You always wanted to encourage him and tell him little things that he could use. He was always inquisitive, always asking questions. 'How do you do this? How do you react to that situation?' He always was competing.

It was Bogues' turn to watch Curry last weekend. Bogues, like the rest of the country, was stunned by what

The sophomore guard, who looks as if he's still in middle school, hit 8-of-10 3-pointers and scored 40 points in Davidson's upset of Gonzaga in the first round of the NCAA's Midwest Regional.

Two days later, Curry scored 25 of his 30 points in the second half to send Davidson (28-6) past Georgetown and into the round of 16 for the first time in 39 years. Curry, with an elegant stroke like that of Dad himself,

is making a star turn on the NCAA stage. He is averaging 25.7 points and has hit 152 3-pointers, six shy of the NCAA single-season record. Curry is listed by the school at 6-foot-3 and 185 pounds,

but that's probably generous by about 2 inches and a dozen pounds. His basketball IQ, however, is hardly inflated. It has been honed from watching countless NBA practices and games, and it was an education that began early.

At a very young age, Stephen Curry would spend entire games watching his father, a career 40-percent 3-point shooter. It's where he learned how to read screens and

Little things you pick up, they help you a lot," Stephen Curry said. "Just knowing where to be and seeing things in advance. For my size, that helps me a lot, just being one step ahead of everyone else."

Size was the dirty word for Curry growing up. He was only 5-foot-6 as a sophomore in high school and shot the ball from his waist because he lacked strength. His father made him change his release to eye level before his junior year. For a while, Curry couldn't hit the rim from outside

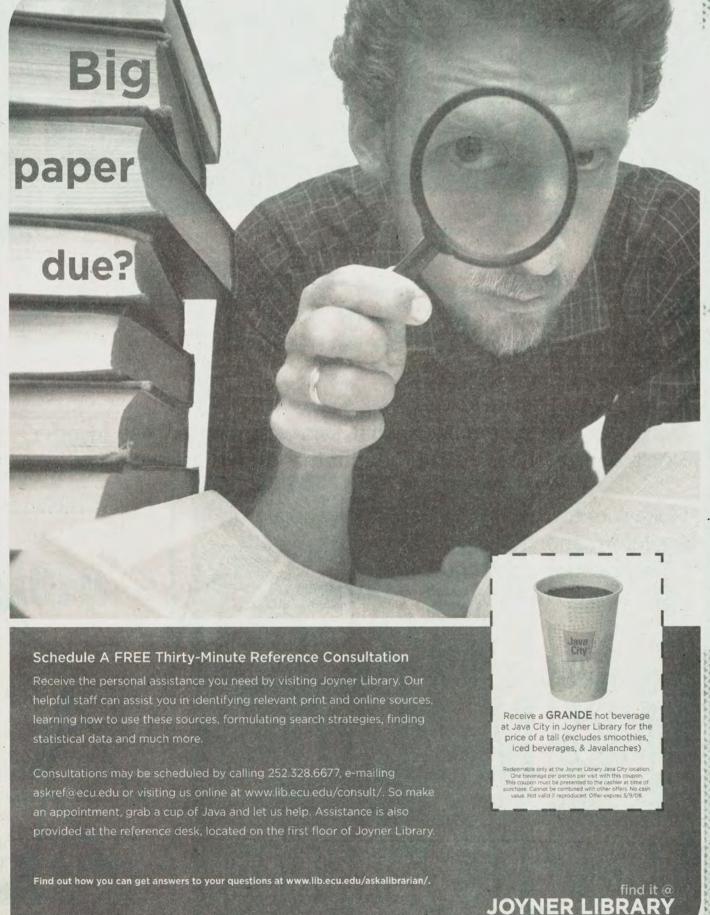
In a couple of months Curry developed correct form and a lightning-quick release. Still, Curry was small. The big schools, including Dell Curry's alma mater, Virginia Tech, wouldn't give him a scholarship.

Two years later, Curry and Davidson are preparing for Friday's matchup with No. 2 seed Wisconsin in Detroit.

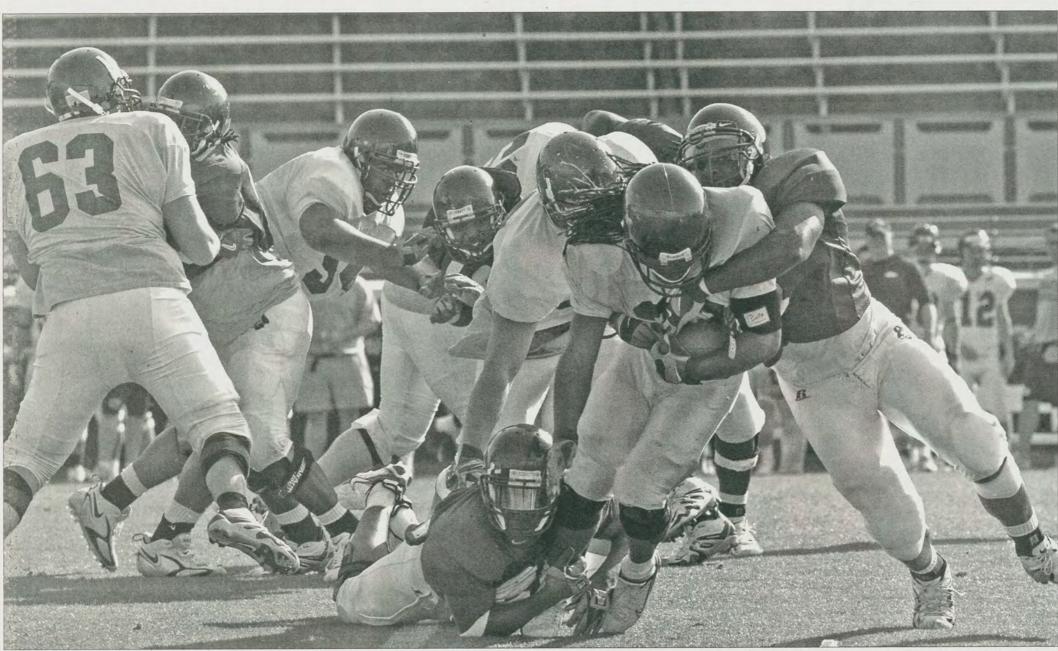
We couldn't have scripted it any better," Dell Curry said. "There was a reason he was the smallest kid in high school. There's a reason he didn't get recruited big. He couldn't be on a brighter stage right now."







# ECU football enters next phase of spring practice



Running back Norman Whitley is tackled by a host of ECU defenders during a scrimmage last Spring. The Pirates' will hold their first scrimmage of this year's Spring practice. this Friday afternoon.

#### Scrimmages should be full of intensity

ECU SID—The ECU football team entered another phase of its spring practice period Monday, opening the scrimmage portion of the workouts that primarily emphasize teamon-team drills and feature three pointed in the way we came intra-squad contests - including the Purple-Gold Game scheduled for April 12.

Monday's two-hour workout, conducted on Hight Field inside the Cliff Moore Practice Com- have with the kind of attitude I plex, was the Pirates' seventh overall and fifth in full pads.

In addition, the session officially kicked off preparation efforts in earnest for ECU's initial scrimmage of the spring, which is set for Friday afternoon at Dowdy-Ficklen Stadium.

'Honestly, I was disapout today," ECU coach Skip Holtz said. "We were flat and appeared to simply go through the motions. I know we can't survive playing the schedule we

saw out there.

Holtz thinks that the spring break and Easter break might have had something to do with Monday's sluggish practice, but hopes the intensity will pick up over the next couple of weeks.

"We've had a good spring up until this point, so I hope it's either an aberration or perhaps a result or downside of all of the free time we've had in the last two weeks with spring break and Easter," he said. "We certainly need to regain our focus and intensity as we head into our last three weeks. There's a lot on the line for everyone, even those who have experience."

Holtz and his staff also continued work Monday toward the formulation of the program's initial depth chart of the season after spending the first three weeks of camp evaluating fundamental individual drill work and limited team action. The two-deep, which will be released after Friday's game, will allow the Pirates to fine-tune personnel in their respective offensive

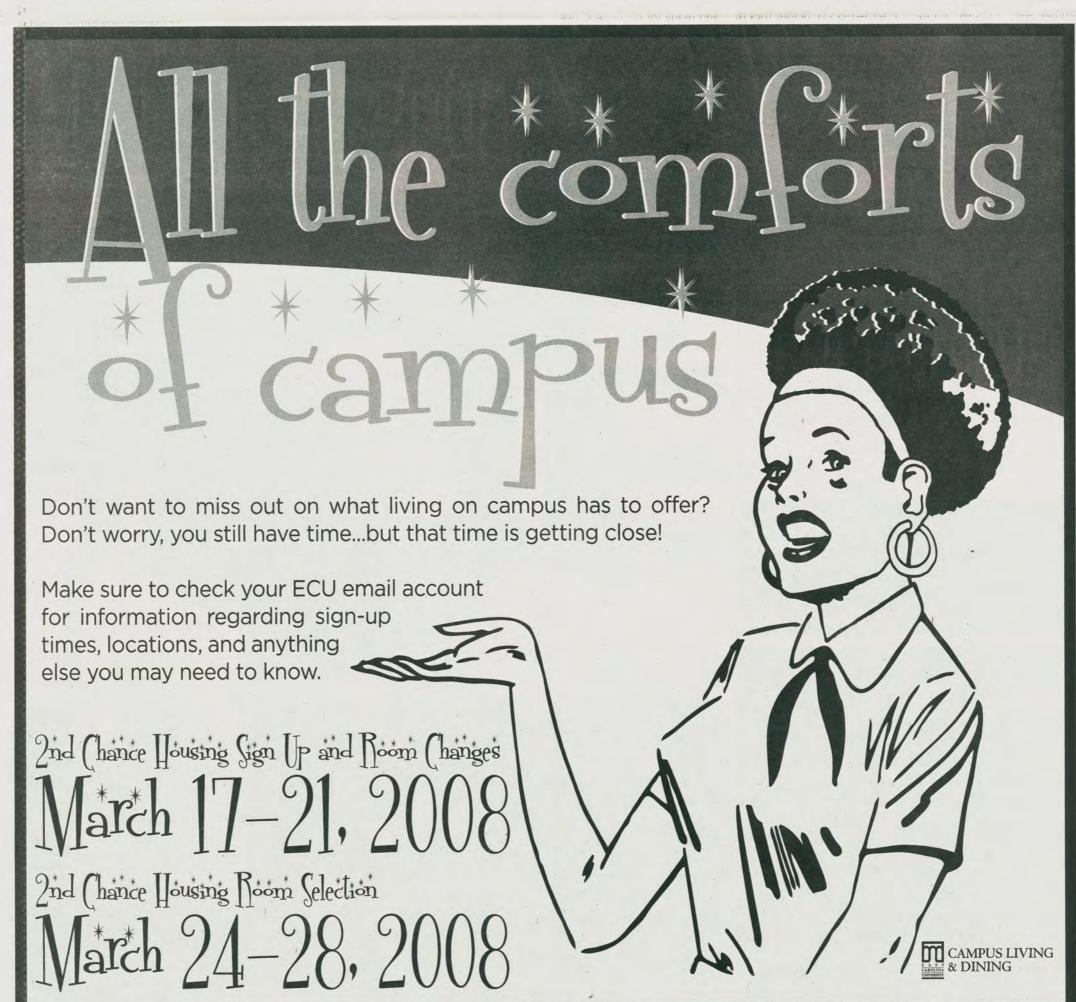
for the first and second units to have the opportunity to experience the majority of the action during the last two weeks of workouts.

ECU continued work on various sets and schemes with different personnel matchup designations during Monday's practice.

The Pirates carried out many 11-on-11 drills which featured different twists in ECU's rushing and passing attack before closing the team session with situational segments such

and defensive packages in order as first-and-10 and redzone efficiency work. For the third time in as many practices, ECU completed the workout with a "live" three-on-three drill that featured short-yardage power matchups between tight ends, offensive and defensive lines, wide receivers and defensive backs, running backs and line-

> After an off-day Tuesday, the Pirates returned to work Wednesday at 4 p.m. before closing the week with Friday's scrimmage.



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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.

Greenville Recreation & Parks Department is recruiting parttime 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

straight 19 year old male. Call and ensuring proper care 6 hour shifts between 9:00 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

> Dancers Wanted. Friendly, attractive ladies ages 18-30 needed for established gentlemen's club 40 minutes from campus. Safe environment. Earning potential endless. As much as \$300 to \$400+ nightly. Full or parttime. We want to establish and keep a higher clientele, so classy ladies only. Call Mr. Benson at Club Satin in Rocky Mount at 252-442-7906, 1-888-841-4695, or 252-813-6995. www.clubsatin.com

Andy's on Memorial Drive in front of Lowe's and Home Depot is looking for wait staff and cooks. Flexible hours and great working environment. Apply in person during business

Undercover Shoppers. Get paid to shop retail/dining establishments. Need undercover client to judge quality/customer service. Earn up to \$150 a day. Call 800-731-4975.

Part-time audiovisual person needed for energetic office. Must have knowledge of digital editing programs for both still pictures and digital video. College student preferred. Call 252-752-1600 and ask for Caryn.

Babysitter Needed. Variable daytime hours (15-30 hr/wk) from May 27 - August 15 to watch two children ages 7 & 11. Non-smoker with a car and a safe driving record required. Must be energetic, fun, responsible, and enjoy swimming. Prefer student in a child-oriented field. Responsibilities include playing with and supervising the kids, driving them to activities and light housework. Competitive pay. Great part-time job to complement evening job or possible summer class schedule. To apply, contact crawfordy@ecu.edu by March

Part-time Maintenance work, carpentry skills needed. Will work around class schedule. Please call 252-531-5701 if interested.

Greenville Recreation and Parks Department (City of Greenville) Positions at Bradford Creek Golf Course: Snack Bar Attendant - Is responsible for greeting guests, takes and fills order for food and beverages, and collects payment. Light set up and cleaning duties in Snack Bar. Also works on Beverage Cart on the course. Must be available to work 4a.m. and 5:00 p.m. Friday through Sunday. Must be at least 18 years of age and have dependable transportation. 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.

Wanted: Ocean lifeguards. Up to \$700 in bonuses. \$11-\$12.50 per hour in North Myrtle Beach, SC. Housing available. Call 843-281-3820.

Greenville Recreation and Parks Department (City of Greenville) Golf Instructor/ Coach. Position: Instructor for Summer; Salary: \$6.50 to \$7.25 per hour; Hours: Approximately 24-30 hours per week, varied times; Terms: Begins June 1 to August 13; Requirements: High School or College golf playing background is a minimum requirement. Teaching background preferred. Possess knowledge of first aid and previous work experience 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.

Now Hiring Lunch Servers. Apply M-F 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. Pirates Den. 113 E. 5th

#### GREEK **PERSONALS**

Come visit the Delta Zeta sisters' Jump-A-Thon as they jump 24 hours supporting Gallaudet University! March 29 Bojangle's parking lot on Greenville Blvd.

#### **OTHER**

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#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Panhellenic would like to remind ALL GREEKS to wear their letters on LETTER SHIRT WEDNESDAYS! Go Greek!

Teresa Lever will defend her doctoral dissertation, "An Animal Model of Dysphagia in Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis"

at 3:00 p.m. on Friday, April 4, 2008, Room 1410 in the Health Sciences Building. All are invited to attend this presentation.

Undergraduate Scholarship available for 2008/2009: Children of East Carolina University Faculty (active or retired) are invited to apply for the ECURFA Undergraduate Scholarship. The amount of the award for 2008/2009 will be \$1,600 (\$800/semester). Student must maintain a 3.0 GPA and be enrolled full-time. The deadline to apply for the scholarship is April 18, 2008. For more details, call Vicky Morris at 328-9559.

Legacy Endeavors wants to make you aware of an upcoming event: the 1st Annual Pirate Classic titled "Stomping Grounds," a variety step show that will continue their campaign of promoting education, health & wellness, and leadership development. The event will be on April 19, 2008. Doors open at 6:00 p.m., show begins at 7:00 p.m. and ends at 10:00 p.m. Estimated ticket prices: \$15.00 - In Advance and \$20.00 - At the Door. For more information about this event, contact M. Cole Jones at (252) 548-1906 or B. Marcel Jones at (336) 380-5013. Email: Legacyendeavors@gmail.com

The Daily Reflector is making two \$2,500 annual scholarships available to undergraduate students at ECU who are interested in pursuing a career in a mediarelated field. The recipients of the scholarship are also invited to compete for a possible internship with the newspaper. Applicants/recipients must be at least a junior at ECU with a minimum of two fulltime semesters remaining until graduation, and have a minimum 3.0 GPA in the last academic year and no grades below a C in their major. The application deadline is April 14, 2008. Please contact Mrs. Vicky Morris at 328-9559 morrisv@ecu.edu

Children of current SPA or CSS employees at ECU are invited to apply for the Children of SPA Employees Scholarship. The scholarship award for the 2008/2009 academic year will be \$1,500. Students must be full-time and pursing their first undergraduate degree and have a projected or actual collegiate GPA of at least 3.0. The application deadline is April 18, 2008. For more details, call Vicky Morris at 328-9559.

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The ECU Student Media Board invites applications for the 2008-2009 academic year.

# **GENERAL MANAGER**

Expressions Minority Publication

(Applicants must be enrolled as a full-time student and have a 2.25GPA)

Applications are available in the Media Board Office (Self Help Building- Suite 205A, 301 Evans St. Greenville, NC)

The deadline for submitting an application is FRIDAY, APRIL 4, 2008, AT 5 PM

For information call the Media Board office at 328-9236



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