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## ECU graduates its 99th class



Students receiving their undergraduate degrees filled the stadium May 10.



Masters and Doctoral degree candidates lined the field at Dowdy-Ficklen.

### Pirates turn the tassel on another year

NATALIE JURGEN  
NEWS EDITOR

On Saturday, May 10, ECU graduated 3,400 students during its 99<sup>th</sup> spring commencement at Dowdy-Ficklen Stadium.

Keynote speaker, Thomas J. Spaulding, CEO of "Up With People" and an ECU alumnus, addressed the 2,400 undergraduates, 910 graduate and professional students, 74 medical students and nearly 6,000 family members and friends.

Spaulding told the graduates to see "community service not as a punishment but a privilege" during their lives.

"The world is filled with leaders, followers

and critics," said Spaulding. "Which are you going to be?"

ECU Chancellor Steve Ballard also addressed the graduates.

During his welcome, Ballard quoted the Irish poet William Butler Yeats: "Education is not the filling of a pail, but the lighting of a fire."

During his presentation Ballard also awarded three honorary doctor of letter degrees to residents of Eastern North Carolina: Felix Harvey, Valeria Lee and Walter Williams.

Harvey, of Kinston, is a philanthropist and one of the most successful businessmen in North Carolina.

Lee, of Rocky Mount, is a retired president of the Golden LEAF Foundation, an establishment that distributes tobacco-settlement funds to help ease the transition from a tobacco-dependent economy.

Williams is an alumnus and benefactor of ECU and the founder of Trade Oil Co., which merged with WilcoHess.

Williams, after receiving his honorary doctorate degree, told the graduates, "This piece of paper means a lot to me, and I hope yours means a lot to you. You will always be a pirate."

In the ranks were both ECU's and the nation's first three graduates of the medical family therapy doctoral program.

Upon graduation from this research-driven program one graduate plans to teach at a university, the second was hired at an oncology institute and the third will be getting involved with program development in Utah.

ECU's engineering program also gradu-

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## President of the University of North Carolina system visits ECU



Erskine Bowles visited ECU Monday.

### Erskine Bowles opens up ECU global education conference

(ECU NEWS BUREAU)

Erskine Bowles, president of the University of North Carolina system, welcomed 18 international visitors and educators to East Carolina University May 19 during the opening of a four-day conference on global education.

Bowles offered opening remarks to the first-ever Global Partners in Education conference, May 19 through May 22, setting the tone for discussions about the importance of international education and

strategies leaders can take to foster more opportunities.

"[This type of collaborative program], I believe, is absolutely critical to the future, not just of this university, but also our entire state," Bowles said.

Bowles added that he has talked with business leaders across the state who say they need their employees to have "critical thinking, analytical thinking and communication skills. But the most important is the ability to work in team with people with different backgrounds and beliefs."

"I came to ECU and saw this as an example of how we could do that," Bowles said. And as the col-

laboration between ECU and its international partners continues, it will "produce young people ready to work in the global economy."

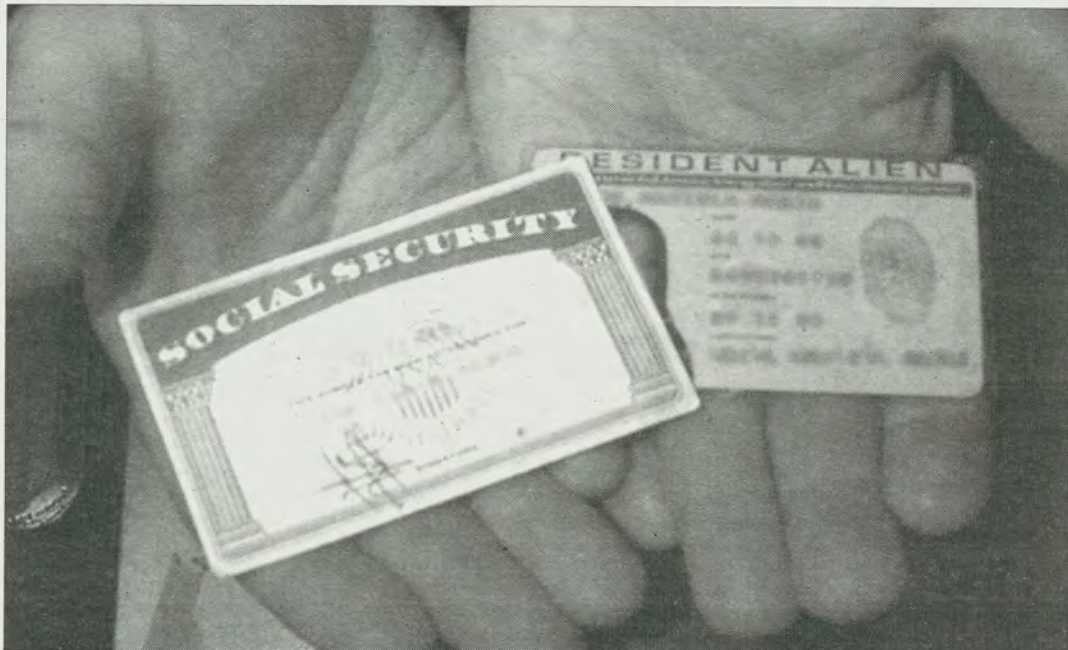
The conference, part of ECU's Global Academic Initiatives program - which has fostered connections to dozens of nations with its Global Understanding programs since 2003, is being led by Rosina Chia, assistant vice chancellor for global academic initiatives, and Elmer Poe, associate vice chancellor for academic outreach.

"The formation of the Global Partners in Education represents the coming together of professors

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# Illegal immigrants touch every part of North Carolina



An immigrant to the U.S. holds a falsified social security card in one hand and a resident alien card in the other.

State leaders differ on how to deal

ELISE PHILLIPS  
EDITOR IN CHIEF

Almost half a million strong and still growing, the number of illegal immigrants in North Carolina make the state the eighth largest in the country with the most illegal aliens.

The economic and social impact that they have on North Carolina is even more remarkable.

North Carolina has only 3 percent of the country's total illegal immigrants, but they touch every part of the state—school systems, health care systems, job growth—and leaders in the eastern part of the state have taken polar opposite stances about how these immigrants affect legal citizens' daily lives.

The Pew Hispanic Center in Washington, D.C. estimated in a 2006 report that the healthy job market in the U.S. drives large numbers of Hispanics to the country. The job area that benefits most is the construction industry, employing about 40 percent of new immigrants in the country. According to a 2006 article by Raleigh's *News & Observer*, businesses are the biggest beneficiaries of illegal immigrants and "are the reason unauthorized foreigners are here in the first place."

Several construction companies in the eastern part of the state had no comment for this story. UNC-Chapel Hill researchers told the *News & Observer* in the same article that Hispanics in the state have led to the creation of approximately 90,000 jobs and \$9 million in revenue. Businesses eagerly hire these illegal immigrants

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for a number of reasons. The most obvious one? Cheap labor.

Jeff Popke, associate professor in the Department of Geography at East Carolina University, says that most immigrants here illegally end up working in low-paying jobs.

"Many immigrants do end up in relatively low-wage sectors of the economy, such as agriculture, construction, agro-processing and the service sector," he said. "At the same time, maquiladora factories have proliferated, so that American companies [and our standard of living] can benefit from cheap Mexican labor."

Maquiladora factories are those (mostly along the U.S.-Mexican border) that are U.S.-owned, but employ Mexicans cheaply to resell goods (like clothing) in the U.S. The construction and hospitality industries also help illegal immigrants to assimilate themselves into American life more easily because little communication is required for the jobs, which is a plus for those immigrants who don't speak English.

"In these two areas, there is little barrier of communication because simple words or phrases help them get the job," said David Rivera, assistant professor for ECU's Department of

Hospitality Management.

Popke says that there are a variety of explanations why North Carolina has become a haven for illegal immigrants.

"They are coming to North Carolina and many other Southern states for a number of reasons. There is a long history of migrant labor in certain industries [such as tobacco]. We have a relatively strong economy, there are jobs available [and] compared to traditional destination states in the Southwest, North Carolina has a lower cost of living and less of an 'anti-immigrant' climate," he said.

At the same time, with the growing numbers of mostly Hispanic illegal immigrants in the state some feel that these immigrants do not boost the economy.

Sue Myrick, a representative of North Carolina's ninth district, said in a 2006 report that the U.S. government should send illegal immigrants back to their home country.

"Call me old-fashioned, but ... I believe in our laws. I believe we should seal off our borders and enforce our immigration laws. Our economy would not be damaged by sending illegal aliens home," she said. "Illegal aliens are here illegally, and we must recommit

ourselves to enforcing our laws and securing our borders."

Laws in North Carolina are clear, but many businesses hiring illegal aliens "bend the rules" or choose to ignore the laws altogether. Section 274A of the Immigration and Nationality Act forbids businesses from knowingly hiring illegal immigrants, but according to a 2006 article by the *News & Observer*, not a single business in NC has been fined since 1999 for hiring illegal immigrants. The current fine for businesses that knowingly hire illegal aliens is \$250 per immigrant.

Wanda Yuhás, executive director for the Job Development Commission in Pitt County, says that all companies in North Carolina are supposed to verify I-9 (to verify citizenship status) forms for each of their employees, but that doesn't always happen.

"As we approach our growing, and in turn, harvest seasons, more migrant labor will surely be in evidence," she said.

Besides businesses, illegal immigrants shape North Carolina school systems. According to figures by the Kenan Institute of Private Enterprise in a 2006 by the *News & Observer*, the state spends

approximately \$210 million yearly to support programs in the school system that benefit children who are here illegally or children of parents who are illegal immigrants. Pitt County's Yuhás says that is where things get tricky.

"I have heard in some of the meetings that I attend that one-third of our [Pitt County's] kindergarten population is Hispanic or Latino. What percentage of that enrollment is legal or illegal?" she asked. "As a parent, I'd risk a lot in order to get my children into U.S. schools and health systems and out of the poverty of the Mexican countryside."

According to the same *News & Observer* article, Hispanics accounted for 57 percent of the enrollment growth in North Carolina's public schools from 2000 to 2005.

In Pitt County alone, Hispanics rank No. 3 in enrollment among public school students, next only to black and white students, according to the Pitt County public school system's Web site.

"Our responsibility is to serve all students as best we can with ESL (English as a Second Language) services. When students come from another country, it takes some time for them to get adjusted in school

and feel comfortable with their peers because the language limits the conversation," said Sylvia Mizzelle, director of federal programs for Pitt County schools. "We probably do have undocumented students, but by law we cannot ask for that information." Schools and businesses are not the only sectors that are affected by illegal immigrants. Health care systems also bear the brunt of the influx of illegal immigrants in North Carolina, although it is hard to estimate the costs of their care. The main reason: hospitals are not required to ask about citizenship status when patients come in for care.

"Hospitals are not the place to figure out citizenship issues. We are required as health care professionals to give the highest quality of care to our patients, not figure out whether they are legal citizens or not," said Tamara Williams, director of diversity and language services for Pitt County's University Health Systems. "I think the responsibility of hospitals and health care systems is to give quality care to patients, regardless of their citizenship status."

However, according to a 2004 report by the Kenan Institute of

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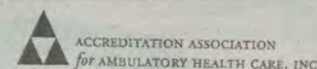
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and administrators from around the world to enhance the international experience of their students through direct collaboration," Poe said. "The partners will move these experiences to the next level of excellence."

The purpose of the conference is formally to establish the Global Partners in Education. The conference will result in goals for improvement and growth of the programs in the coming years. Groups will begin working on those goals this week, said Chia.

One of the conference participants is Alla Nazarenko, representing Moscow State University in Russia. During her introduction, Nazarenko said, "[This

program] connects us beyond borders and gives us the chance to understand other cultures and people. And I'm sure it will serve for a better world."

To date, more than 600 ECU students have "met" their academic counterparts in countries that include The Gambia, Turkey, Venezuela and China.

In the past five years, the Internet-based course has expanded to 21 partners in 18 countries, using Web technology to provide a relatively inexpensive way for students—and faculty members—to go global through shared courses, lectures, and research projects. The Global Understanding program complements ECU's student study

abroad programs.

The leaders and administrators of these partner programs – from Malaysia, Peru, Algeria and India, to name a few – will spend four days discussing strategies to improve and expand international courses to students, both in the United States and around the world.

"Our partner universities are committed to the program are excited to visit ECU for this first meeting," Chia said. "Planning has begun for the 2009 meeting in Beijing and the 2010 meeting in Lima."

In March, ECU's Global Academic Initiatives project received honorable mention in the 2008 IIE Andrew Heiskell Awards for Innovation in International Education.

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Private Enterprise at UNC-Chapel Hill, the estimated cost for Hispanic patients (illegal or legal) is approximately \$299 million per year in the state. According to a 2006 article by the *News & Observer*, illegal immigrants likely make up one-third of the 1.3 million uninsured North Carolinians. Federal law states that illegal immigrants can receive Medicaid, the national medical fund for low-income Americans, if their condition is severe enough, accounting for \$52.8 million spent in 2005. However, this figure makes up less than 1 percent of the fund's annual budget. For illegal immigrants who give birth in hospitals in North Carolina, Medicaid pays approximately \$7,000 for normal births and \$18,000 for complicated caesarean section births for each patient, one insurer told the *News & Observer* in 2006.

"Half the babies born here at Duplin General Hospital are Latino," said Laura Maready, director of marketing at the Kenansville, N.C.-based hospital.

According to Maready, from October 2006 to September 2007, 394 of the 776 total births were Hispanic children.

"As you can see, that's a pretty

large number," Maready said.

While illegal immigrants abound in North Carolina, the fact is that several of the state's systems are affected by their presence. Some North Carolinians don't mind the growing numbers of illegal immigrants, but some want them out of the state.

"I believe that some parts of North Carolina are understanding the Latino culture and by doing that, it gives Latinos more of an opportunity," Rivera, assistant professor for ECU's Department of Hospitality Management, said.

However, Rep. Myrick has said that while there is no way to push illegal aliens out now, it should be a priority of the U.S. government in the future.

"I know there is no practical means to send 12 million illegal aliens home," she said in 2006.

"We don't have the tools, resources or manpower. That is why at some point in the future we will have to discuss...giving illegal immigrants incentives to go back to their country and apply to come here legally."

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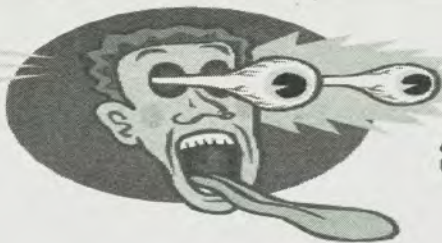
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ated its first class of 22 students with concentrations in biomedical engineering, bioprocess engineering, engineering management and systems engineering.

In addition to the bestowal of degrees, five graduates, Vladim Bobrovnikov of Raleigh; Jonathan J. Edwards of Raleigh; Julie D.

Goldfarb of Chagrin Falls, Ohio; Sarah Elizabeth Parker Womack of Washington and Christopher K. Vo of Fayetteville received the Robert H. Wright Alumni Leadership Award.

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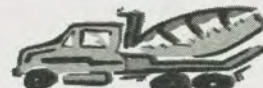


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# Opinion

## One life to live

Sometimes it is about you

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Most of us have been told at least once that life is short and we need to learn to enjoy it. With that being the case, why do so many of us find ourselves living our lives to make others happy?

It seems to me that too many of us spend the majority of our lives trying to please others. From day one, we search for praise and approval in the eyes of others. We begin school with our parents' hopes of us doing well, which we then adopt as our own hopes. As we grow older, our parents may try to get us into sports or create some incredible dream of becoming doctors, and eventually we think that those dreams have always been our own.

Not only do we suffer from the expectations of our parents, but upon entering school and other social circles, we are forced to enter the realm of what our friends expect from us. Our friends tell us how to dress, how to act and who to date. Many of us are fearful of losing our friends if we date a "loser" or if we want to be friends with someone who does not fit in with our clique. As we do with our parents' expectations, we adopt those expectations, and we use them to make sure our other friends stay in line.

It takes years before we figure out that the expectations we thought were our own probably spawned from the expectations of others. Usually one finds him or herself wrapped in a world of dissatisfaction in the middle of their adult life, wondering where they went wrong. Why is this career so unfulfilling? Why am I so concerned with making other people happy? Where is my happiness?

Unfortunately, at this stage in our lives, many of us have yet to realize that we are being too concerned with the happiness and expectations of others. We are completely forgetting about what we want for ourselves. Ask yourself, "If I continue to live my life this way, where do I see myself in ten years?" More importantly, "Do I like the person I am seeing?"

We need to stop trying to live up to what others expect of us and take our lives into our own hands. If someone is going to reject you for wanting to be happy, doesn't that mean that they weren't too concerned about you from the beginning?

A parent's love should be unconditional. They should love you no matter what you do and only hope that you will find happiness. A true friend will love you unconditionally also.

Our lives are way too short to wake up ten years from now and realize that we have done nothing for ourselves. In order to find true happiness, we must consider our own feelings; we must live our own lives. No one can control you, unless you allow it, just as you cannot control anyone else. Find happiness in yourself; don't search for happiness in the approval of others ... especially if their approval is won by abiding in their expectations.

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## LETTER FROM THE EDITOR

# A new year, a fresh start

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After attending this year's graduation ceremony, I realized how many truly innovative leaders that ECU produces. From our first graduating engineering classes to a whole new flock of nurses entering the medical field, Pirate leaders are one of a kind.

A professor once told me that no remarkable people leave ECU and enter the work force. I dare to disagree with that person. ECU prides itself on leaders taking their place on campus, in the community, in the nation and in the world.

For example, two new graduates from one of ECU's medical programs are leaving for Honduras at the end of this month to pursue health care in one of the world's poorest countries. Several ECU students are taking their studies elsewhere this summer to travel the world and study abroad. ECU students have taken the lead this election year by volunteering their time and money to spread the word about their passion for political change. ECU students are receiving awards and landing jobs every day because of the preparation

and encouragement that is bestowed upon them from the university that has been called by some as the "leadership institute of the world."

This week, many new leaders will take their place in various organizations across campus, including student media. This paper marks the first issue of the summer with me as its leader. I take this position seriously, and I hope that others will find their niche as a leader at ECU.

I've heard my whole life that there are three kinds of people in the world: those that lead, those that follow and those that criticize. Leaders bring change, followers facilitate change and those who criticize sit on the sidelines and watch while others do the work that they disdain.

I think ECU is full of all three types of people, but more lead than follow, and more lead than criticize.

With the coming months, I challenge more ECU students to take part in campus organizations. Become another leader in a ship full of Pirates standing up for change on our campus and in the community.

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I want to know why people continue to go near Jarvis street after so many armed robberies, and why that area is not swarmed with police 24/7.

Where are all the original, beautiful and intelligent girls? All of these cookie cutter chicks are getting old (i.e. huge sun glasses, fake blonde hair, unnatural tans, superficial attitude, ditzy, etc.)

To the girl who named her cat Penny Lane, but misspelled Beatles, may you smoke a turd in purgatory for blaspheming the Fab Four.

The position you rank on someone's speed-dial means everything.

Please say there are new editions of The East Carolinian over the summer!

Do you know what it feels like loving someone who's in a rush to throw you away?

To the girl who was in my chemistry final: I'm sorry about whatever type of accident you were involved in. It looked like it hurt.

I'm a white girl with blonde hair. And yes, I have a weave.

So, I will admit I like it when you wear the shirt you wore when we first met.

Ex-girlfriends are ex-girlfriends for a reason.

Sometimes I think boys train their dogs to get girls.

I get shushed every time I go to the library.

I don't care how important you think you are ... DON'T walk the wrong direction around the track. Just don't do it.

I'm addicted to garden salsa sun chips!

I have the hiccups, and they suck. Someone scare me!

Dear girl sitting at the computer across from me in the library right now: I don't like your music!

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Don't sweat the petty things, and don't pet the sweaty things.

One of my best friends is kind of a know-it-all idiot.

Maybe it's not that you've changed, maybe I just feel left behind.

I think that I'll have to become a stripper because my job as a student worker is not paying the rent.

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A common drink for Tibetans is Butter Tea which is made out of butter, salt and brick tea.

A one-kilogram packet of sugar will have about five million grains of sugar.

A one-ounce milk chocolate bar has six milligrams of caffeine.

According to Scandinavian traditions, if a boy and girl eat from the same loaf of bread, they are bound to fall in love.

According to legend, tea originated in China when tea leaves accidentally blew into a pot of boiling water.

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All the Krispy Kreme donut stores collectively could make a doughnut stack as high as the Empire State Building in only two minutes.

Although white wine can be produced from both red and white grapes, red wine can only be created from red grapes.

Americans consume the most peanut butter in the world.

## Congressman visits local gallery

### Congressional High School exhibit shown this week

ELISE PHILLIPS  
EDITOR IN CHIEF

Emerge Gallery, located on Evans St. in downtown Greenville, will host its annual Congressional High School exhibit this week sponsored by NC Congressman Walter B. Jones. The exhibit opened on May 16 and will include work from high school students from Jones' district, which includes 17 counties along the NC coast, for show at the gallery in one of two yearly exhibitions sponsored each year by Congressman.

Congressman G.K. Butterfield sponsored an exhibition at ECU's School of Art and Design this year as well.

Emerge Gallery has been hosting the Jones' exhibit for five years, but Holly Garriott, executive director of the gallery says that this year's show is extraordinary.

"This exhibit is one of the best ones we've had," she said. "We've had high school exhibits before, but this one is really great."

On May 23, Congressman Jones will visit EmERGE at 7 p.m.



Samples of work done by high school students in Walter B. Jones' district will be displayed in EmERGE this week.

to pass out awards to all of the participants of the Congressional High School exhibit in a reception held at the gallery.

"The most amazing thing about this exhibition is that every student will receive a monetary award for participating, as well as the prize

winners receiving a cash award," Garriott said.

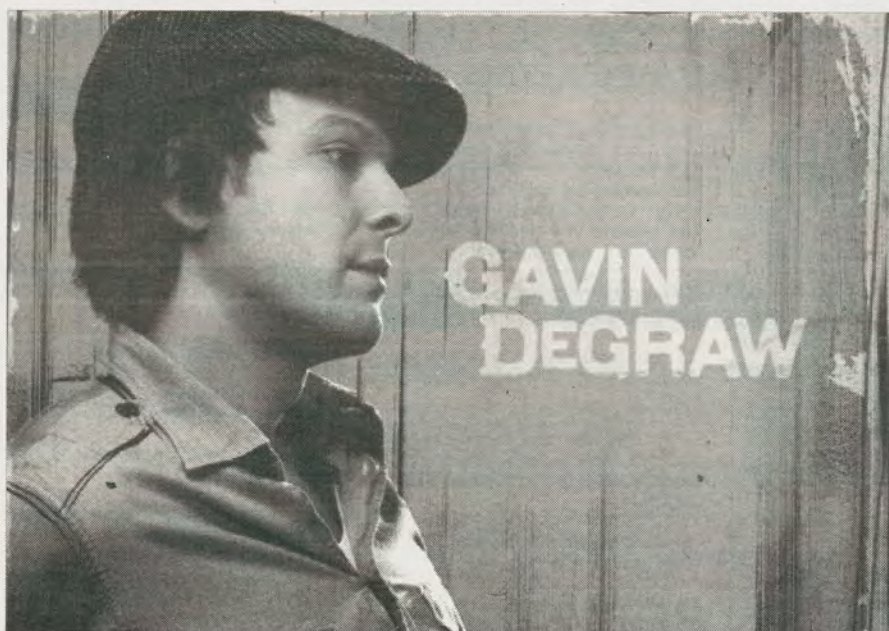
The gallery offers classes to ECU students and the community, but Garriott especially encourages students from ECU to come check out what the gallery has to offer.

"EmERGE Gallery is a non-profit

art center that makes the arts accessible to the entire community," said Garriott. "Our daily staff [working at the front desk] is all ECU students who take an internship course through ECU."

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## Gavin DeGraw releases third self-titled album



And I'm not so sure that I'm  
"in love with" it

VERONICA CARRINGTON  
FEATURES EDITOR

Gavin DeGraw hit it big with 2003's "I Don't Want to Be," an anti-fronting hymn with the lengthy chorus "I don't want to be anything other than what I've been trying to be lately."

This single from his first album, *Chariot*, helped thunder him to fame when it was used as the WB's opening to "One Tree Hill," however; five years later DeGraw is still long-winded.

His newest self-titled album is fraught with superficial crystallized pop and confusing analogies.

DeGraw packs strange metaphors into the jazz inspired song, "Cop Stop." The questionable lines "I won't tell you lies or treat you like a rental car like other guys" make me wonder where the old Gavin has gone.

Granted, he leaves out handling his stick shift,

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# Summertime sizzles with hot new releases

New summer films hope to stir enthusiasm of theatergoers

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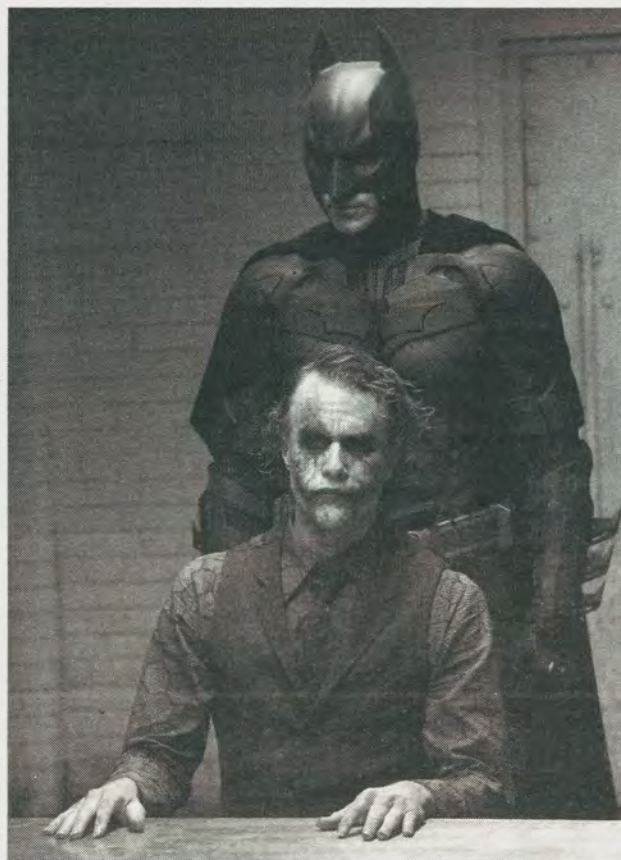
Though summer can be a relaxing and carefree time, many students are faced with the boredom of returning home with nothing to entice their minds. It can be daunting to lie in the sun, go to the beach and hang out with friends, but the hottest summer releases for 2008 will give a break to the monotony of any lethargic summer daze.

Returning for the fourth installment of the Indiana Jones series comes *Indiana Jones and the Kingdom of the Crystal Skull*, hitting the big screen on May 22.

Harrison Ford returns to the silver screen once more along with Cate Blanchett, Sofia LaBeouf and Ray Winstone for this is action-packed film that is sure to please any Indiana Jones lover.



The girls of *Sex and the City* star in a movie this summer.



The late Heath Ledger stars in the upcoming release of *Batman*.

May 30 brings the four lovely ladies of New York back into the hearts and minds of every woman, and some men, with the release of the long awaited *Sex and the City* movie. This romantic comedy will follow Carrie, Charlotte, Miranda and Samantha through their lives after the conclusion of the popular television series.

The film will also follow Carrie to the altar as she sets out on her heart's dream to wed the infamous "Mr. Big."

Sure to be dubbed a chick flick in the future, look for it in a "city" near you.

No summer is complete without a superhero mega-adventure flick and *The Incredible Hulk* is just that.

On June 13, the silver screen will be painted green as the giant returns to theaters played by Edward Norton (*Fight Club*, *American History X*).

Will Smith is due to jump in the superhero game this summer as well with the July 2 release of *Hancock*. The story unfolds around Smith's character that has fallen out of the good graces of the public and his quest to redeem himself. If the film includes scenes as intense as *I am Legend*, then it is an automatic thumbs up.

Batman, for the sixth time, is returning with a batty vengeance this summer as well. *The Dark Knight*, set to be released July 18 will follow the caped crusader once again as he fights the evils of Gotham City and his arch nemesis the Joker.

Being one of Heath Ledger's final roles before his tragic death, this film truly deserves consideration for your summer viewing pleasure.

Here is to hoping your cinematic adventure is a happy one.

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# New gadgets may ruin age-old tradition

Cell phone use during concerts irritates artists

(MCT)

What if you gave a concert and the crowd refused to watch?

It's not as far-fetched as it seems. As more and more concertgoers fiddle with cell phone cameras and fidget with BlackBerries, some people say mobile technology is ruining the concert experience.

"It's extraordinarily irritating," said Roger Waters of Pink Floyd. "All these people holding up these horrid little squares of bright light."

"It's like they're not even there," said jazz guitarist Bill Frisell. "It's like, 'Why don't you put that away and listen to the music?'"

"It drives me crazy," said singer Steve Earle. "They have their use, but there's definitely a price to pay."

It's not just a case of cranky baby boomers griping about the young and the restless. Plenty of younger artists and fans are also getting fed up with the tech intrusion.

"As a performer, it's frustrating to look out and see a sea of cell

phones instead of faces," said Sleater-Kinney guitarist Carrie Brownstein.

"There's definitely a problem when people are so busy documenting the moment that they forget to just live in the moment."

Of course, pop concerts were awash in distractions long before the cell phone. In the early '60s, shrieking girls made it impossible to hear the Beatles perform. In the '90s, mosh pits made going to concerts a contact sport.

"You never expect 100 percent of people's attention," said rapper Ice Cube. "You learn to take 80 percent."

But the levels seem to be rapidly shrinking thanks to "microboredom," a term invented by—who else—a cell phone company to con-



A young man follows the new trend of using his phone during a concert.

vince people they need to escape reality with their mobile gadgets.

At concerts, microboredom usually means fans snapping dozens of photos of the band, the crowd and the stage lights. The ultimate disconnect comes when they take pictures of the pictures on the video screen.

"Everyone has this strange archiving addiction now. It's like they're trying to pin a butterfly to

a corkboard," said Canadian singer Feist.

"To me, a gig isn't supposed to be for posterity," she said. "It's supposed to be a bunch of people tossed together in a room, making a mood and then it's over. You can't see the world through a viewfinder."

Ray Davies of the Kinks sang about the problem 40 years ago in "People Take Pictures of Each Other," a song about obsessive photo-takers trying "to prove they really existed."

But the existential crisis isn't confined to photography. To some fans, a concert isn't a concert until they've text-messaged their buddies about it.

"It's a really interesting trend—instead of clapping, they're blog-

ging," said Michael Stipe, poking fun at the tech-addicted crowd at R.E.M.'s recent show at March's South by Southwest festival in Austin, Texas.

But not all musicians regard mobile technology as a buzz-kill. When cell phone use exploded in the late '90s, bands had fans wave them in the air to create a million-points-of-light effect. Suddenly, flicking your Bic was passe.

Later, as text-messaging flourished, groups asked concertgoers to post messages on video screens. Today, some artists embrace the tech boom as a potential career boost.

"My bottom line is communication," said English rocker Billy Bragg. "If they want to capture a photo of me and send it to a friend who can't be at the gig, I don't have a problem with that."

Concert videos are the latest rage as fans flood YouTube with clips they shot using their cell phones and digital cameras. The videos are often so fuzzy and muffled they're unwatchable. Still, some bands embrace them as free

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Work from the Congressional High School exhibit hang at Emerge Gallery.



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Each participant receives a prize.

Classes offered at Emerge include pottery, metal smith, photography, filmmaking, painting and culinary arts.

May 31 will mark the grand opening of the gallery's first pottery studio, where members of the community can paint handmade pottery in groups or individually.

Emerge also reaches out to community by ensuring that for every five paid programs offered

at the gallery, one is free and open to underprivileged children in the area.

"We sponsor after-school classes at area schools, free community activities such as helping [to] coordinate festivals [like] PirateFest, scholarships to our classes and our Youth Public Arts Project where kids come once a week, eat dinner and work on public arts projects," Garriott said.

The Congressional High School exhibition will run until May 23. Emerge Gallery is open Tuesday-Friday from 11 a.m.-9 p.m., Saturdays from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. and Sundays from 1 p.m.-4 p.m.

For more information about the exhibit or Emerge Gallery, visit [emergegallery.com](http://emergegallery.com).

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but the cheesy one-liners do not do much to render a young woman flattered.

"Medicate the Kids" is a powerful tirade against ADD drugs, and DeGraw issues free advice like an ineffective Dr. Phil, sans constant blinking.

However, as usual, DeGraw's catchy and relatable melodies save him.

DeGraw tries to relate to everyone on "Next to Me," a bubbly plea to an aloof love interest to which we all can share a part in.

A redeeming song on the album has to be the piano and guitar fueled "In Love With a

Girl." Though the song may seem like a frat boy bearing his soul for the tenth time on a drunken Friday night, the song is catchy and captures the essence of young love.

The entire album is a guilty pleasure right up there with Hanson, Spice Girls and LFO; Admit it, we all know the words to "Wannabe" and "MMMBop."

This album is perfect mood music for teen girls, sensitive guys who defend their man-bags and those of us who will play it when we are alone on a long drive.

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instant promotion.

Bowling for Soup recently made up a song onstage and "that thing was on YouTube before I even got back home from the show," said singer Jaret Reddick. "That's just the way it is now."

In an age of multitasking, some wonder if electronic gadgets are really that much of a distraction, or if the anti-cell phone brigade is just being crotchety.

"Do you want people to be strapped to their seats, with their eyes pinned open and a jolt of electricity if their mind should stray?" said Police drummer Stewart Copeland.

"Cell phones don't bother me," he said. "An audience that's so excited it's shooting the band with its cell phones is an audience that's throbbing with the pulse of the band."

But is it really about a communal pulse? Or is it more about stroking your own ego?

"I see people calling their friends and saying, 'Hey! Guess where I am? I'm at the Roger Waters show,' just so somebody somewhere can be impressed by

them," said Waters. "It's about them showing off."

One solution would be to forbid fans from using phones during the show—a protocol already used at classical concerts, plays and movies.

Then again, rock prides itself on personal freedom. Banning cell phones might seem totally un-rock 'n' roll.

"It's a personal choice. We shouldn't say 'you can't have a cell phone,'" said Brownstein of Sleater-Kinney.

"But it's frustrating," she said. "There's a generational gap where people no longer know how to experience life without technology."

Music lovers can only hope they'll learn. It may take decades, but some future generation is bound to hit the "off" button and rediscover the joy of focusing on the concert.

"All these new toys, people have to play with them for a while," said musician-producer T Bone Burnett. "But ultimately, they'll figure out how dehumanizing they are."



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## C-USA announces baseball All-Conference awards



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### Seven ECU players make the cut

(ECU SID)

East Carolina headlined the league's top individual awards, winning three of the five major awards as announced on Tuesday in New Orleans, the site of the 2008 Entergy Conference USA Baseball Championship.

Senior Corey Kemp was named Player of the Year, right-handed pitcher Seth Maness grabbed Freshman of the Year honors and junior right-hander Justin Bristow earned Newcomer of the Year recognition.

Tulane right-hander Shooter Hunt was named Pitcher of the Year and Rice skipper Wayne Graham took home his third consecutive Keith LeClair Conference USA Coach of the Year award.

Voting was done by a panel consisting of each head coach, each team's sports information director and a media representative from each city.

Kemp has been one of the most productive hitters in Conference USA all season long, leading the league in home runs (15) and RBI (66), while batting .358 with a .637 slugging percentage.

A finalist for the Johnny Bench Award, Kemp was a semifinalist for the Dick Howser Trophy and became the second Pirate catcher in three years to earn first team All-C-USA honors. He becomes the second Pirate to take home Player of the Year honors following Ryan Jones (2004).

Maness became just the second freshman in ECU history to win nine games, tying for the C-USA lead in victories. Maness is 9-1 on the season with

a 2.79 ERA, third-lowest in the league.

Maness is the second Pirate to be named C-USA Freshman of the Year following Darryl Lawhorn's selection in 2002. Lawhorn was also named Co-National Freshman of the Year by Collegiate Baseball.

Bristow, a transfer from Auburn, has had a highly successful first season in a Pirate uniform, posting an 8-2 record with a 3.05 ERA and 73 strikeouts with 22 walks.

Joining first-teamers Kemp and Maness as an All C-USA performer was senior outfielder Harrison Eldridge, while junior Stephen Batts was named second-team all-conference alongside Bristow.

Freshman shortstop Dustin Harrington was named to the All-Freshman team with Maness, who became the second Pirate to be

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### Softball eliminated from NCAA tournament

Pirates' season ends against LSU

(ECU SID)

The ECU softball team bowed out of the Baton Rouge Regional, dropping a 9-1 decision to No. 9 national seed LSU Saturday evening inside Tiger Park. The Pirates end their season at 37-30 while the Tigers improve to 44-17.

LSU will have to beat No. 16 UL-Lafayette twice on Sunday to move on to the Super Regional round.

LSU scored three runs on three hits, including a sacrifice fly by Quinlan Duhon, in the bottom of the first inning to

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### Where would you like to see ECU play in the 2008 NCAA Baseball Regionals?

- A. North Carolina
- B. Miami FL
- C. Florida State
- D. Georgia
- E. N.C. State

## ECU prepares for C-USA tournament

Pirates end regular season with win over UNC-W

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The ECU baseball team won three out of four games last week, closing out the regular season with a 39-17 record overall and a 13-11 mark in conference play. The Pirates edged out a tough UNC-W team Tuesday night, then traveled to Memphis for their last series of the season and took two games out of three from the Tigers.

ECU completed the sweep of their season series against UNC-W with a 3-2 win at home last Tuesday. The pitching duel was capped by a flurry of activity in the final two frames and the Pirates came out on top.

Six pitchers in the first seven innings for ECU combined to hold the Seahawks to one run on three hits, while UNC-W pitcher Larry Salefsky allowed one run and scattered six hits in six innings of work.

The Pirates finally broke the deadlock in the eighth when Seahawk relievers walked the bases loaded and Brandon Henderson doubled down the line to score two. UNC-W tried to answer in the ninth but came up just short as Seth Simmons closed out the inning for the win.

After the game coach Billy Godwin was glad to get the result.



Photo by Robyn McLawhorn

ECU will face Houston in the first round of the C-USA baseball tournament today in an away game in Louisiana.

"We had to grind that one because they're a good club," said Godwin. "To get this win before we go on the road and after a tough weekend is just huge for our guys. Now we have to get ready and prepare for a good Memphis team."

After a traveling day, the Pirates opened their series with Memphis on Thursday.

Seth Maness came within one

out of a complete game shutout while fanning eight in 8.2 innings of work on the bump for the Pirates as they cruised to an 8-1 victory in the series opener.

Harrison Eldridge led the team with three hits while Jamie Ray and Dustin Harrington each added two.

Seven different Pirates scored with Ray being the only one to double his tally.

The Pirates brought their bats to the second game as well. They scored 17 runs in a romp of the C-USA cellar dwellers. Henderson, Harrington and Ryan Wood all had four hits for the Pirates who put up 19 as a team. Harrington and Henderson both knocked in five batters apiece to lead the team. The

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Senior Stacey Andrews, a Greenville native, led the team in hitting this season.

assume a 3-0 advantage.

Cristen Iona would give her team a two-out double in the top of the second, but Angel Barrella struck out looking to end the half-inning. The Tigers added to their lead in the bottom of the second when with two outs, Duhon laced a shot just past Suzanne Riggs in the circle that scored Ashley Applegate, making the score 4-0.

With Dee Dee Henderson on

third and Duhon on first, Killian Roessner ripped a double off the wall in left center to score both runners, pushing the LSU advantage to 6-0.

ECU pulled a run back in the top of the third. Erin St. Ledger lofted the Pirates' second double of the contest to right center.

She then moved to third on a sacrifice bunt by Tiffany Shaw.

Christina Merrida stepped up

next and continued her solid day at the plate with a RBI single off the glove of pitcher Dani Hofer that scored St. Ledger, cutting the deficit to 6-1.

The Tigers added two runs on two hits and a Pirate error in the bottom of the third, extending their lead to 8-1. A two-out solo home run by Jessica Mouse in the bottom of the fourth closed the scoring as the eight-run rule ended the game.

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Photo by Robyn McLawhorn

Kemp was named player of the year.

named first-team All C-USA and All-Freshman in the same season, following Lawhorn (2002).

Hunt became the fourth Tulane hurler in as many years to post 100 strikeouts in a single season and now has 110 Ks in 2008. Hunt is 9-2 on the year with a 2.10 ERA, while holding opposing batters to a .148 average. Since joining the Green Wave prior to the 2007 season, Hunt is a combined 15-8 with a 2.39 ERA and a .197 opponent batting average.

Graham led the Owls' to their third consecutive C-USA regular season championship and the number five ranking in the nation heading into this week's conference championship. Rice has won 21 of

its last 22 games to post a 42-11 overall record.

In his 17th season at the helm of the Rice program, Graham is no stranger to receiving coaching honors. In addition to winning the previous two Keith LeClair Coach of the Year honors, he was named the Western Athletic Conference Coach of the Year in 1998, 1999, 2002 and the co-coach of the year in 2003.

The Keith LeClair Coach of the Year award is named after the former ECU head coach who courageously battled ALS, or as it is more commonly known, Lou Gehrig's Disease. Diagnosed with the disease in 2001, LeClair continued to attend Pirate home games and support ECU baseball until passing away in July 2006.

Regular season champion Rice had the most total All-Conference selections with seven and ECU had five, while Southern Miss and Tulane each produced four. Seven of the league's nine teams had at least one representative on the first team, with ECU and Southern Miss each placing three players on the first team. Four different schools tied with four selections to the All-Freshman team.

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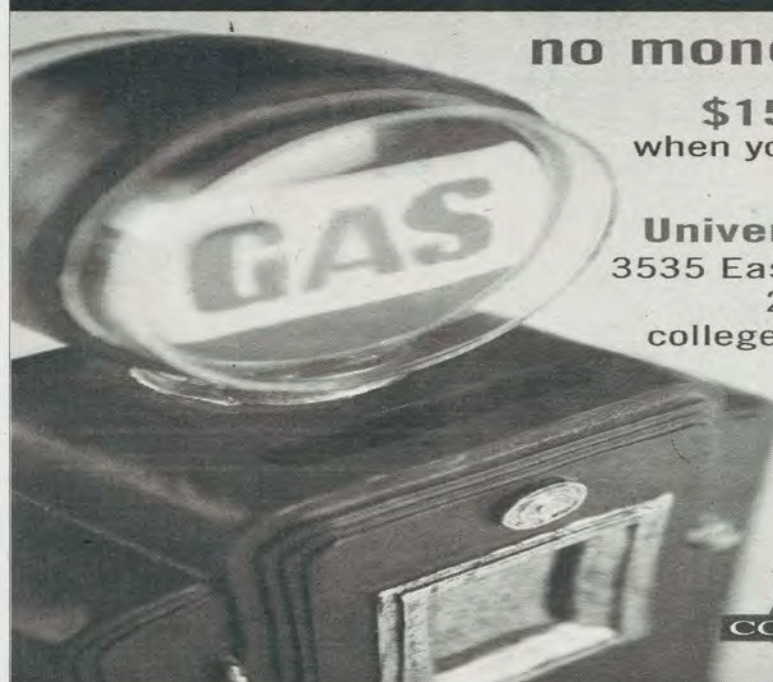
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# All soccer eyes on England for month of May



Chelsea's Frank Lampard stars for both club and country.

## Manchester United faces Chelsea in UEFA Champions League final

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Many Americans believe the NFL's Super Bowl to be the premier sporting event in the world when it comes to professional clubs or teams.

A brief glance at today's UEFA Champions League Final should prove otherwise. This year's final matches two of the world's most powerful clubs together: Manchester United and Chelsea (London). This will be the first-ever meeting of two English teams in the European final, making this Moscow, Russia-hosted event a unique one.

On May 28th, The United States Men's National Team will square off against England at storied Wembley Stadium in London. To England, it is just another friendly game but this is one of the most important games of the year to fans that follow U.S. Soccer.

As for the Champions League final, Manchester United will be aiming for its third European title and its first since 1999 when David Beckham starred for the Red Devils. Stateside, United is often considered the "New York Yankees" of English football, having secured 17 English Premier League (EPL) titles since 1908.

If United are the New York Yankees, then consider 23 year-old Cristiano Ronaldo to be Alex Rodriguez.

Ronaldo, a native of Portugal, is now widely considered the best soccer player in the world. The

winger's 31 goals this season easily topped the EPL.

Forward Wayne Rooney, only 22, joins Ronaldo in the United attack and has already proved himself as an accomplished goal-scorer in the English game. Argentine sensation Carlos Tevez completes the three-headed monster that is the Red Devil attack. The three combined for 57 goals in the EPL this season and have tallied 15 goals so far in the Champions League.

The youth up front is balanced by an experienced midfield featuring two United living legends: Ryan Giggs and Paul Scholes. Scholes scored the game-winner in the semi-finals against Barcelona to lift United to victory.

Chelsea has three English titles to its name and claimed two in back-to-back seasons in 2004-2005 and 2005-2006.

Chelsea does not quite possess the same mystique as United, but have earned a reputation as a more than formidable opponent in recent years.

The Blues have stars of their own, led by midfielders Frank Lampard and Michael Ballack. Lampard led Chelsea in goals during the regular season but Ivorian forward Didier Drogba has six Champions League goals thus far. Drogba, however, is listed as questionable for the match due to injury.

Chelsea knocked off fellow Londoners, Arsenal in its semi-final matchup.

The two teams' recent history is making the grand stage even more compelling. Chelsea had a chance to complete a remarkable comeback and win the league on the final day after trailing United in the

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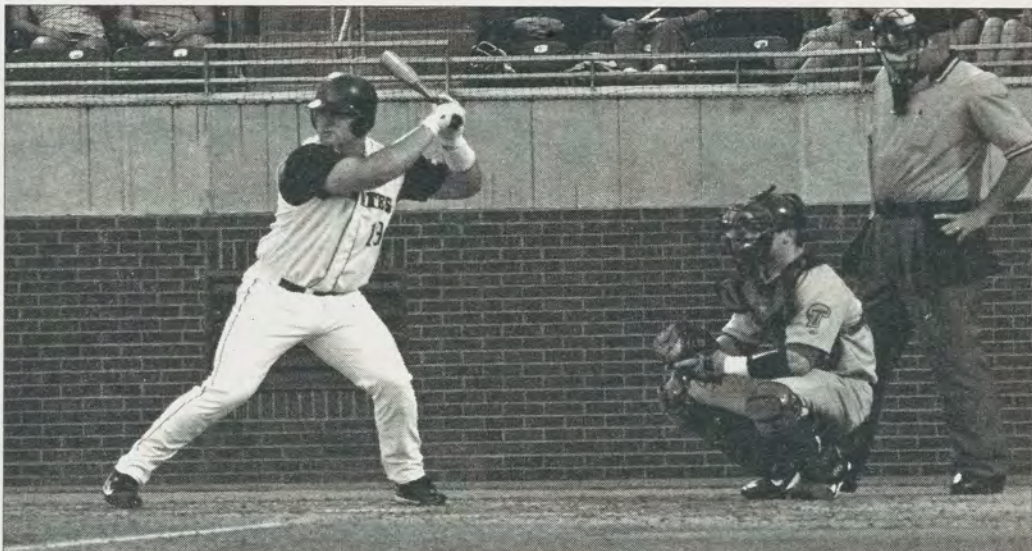


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Sophomore Kyle Roller awaits a pitch against Tulane.

pitching was solid as starter Justin Bristow went six innings and gave up only two runs.

ECU pitchers faced only 34 batters compared to Memphis pitchers who saw 58.

ECU dropped the final game of the series 7-5 as starter T.J. Hose had another short outing giving up three runs in only three innings of work while walking four.

Ray led the team with three hits and Kyle Roller added two and two RBI's, but Pirate batters struck out nine times and left six runners on base in the loss.

"I feel good about this team and what we've done," Godwin said. "I mean sure we'd like to go out and

score ten runs every game and give up none, but that just doesn't happen.

"We're putting together our postseason resume and like I told the guys all these games are important."

The Pirates will begin the C-USA tournament this weekend in New Orleans as the No. 5 seed and will take on the Houston Cougars Wednesday at 10 a.m. The Cougars won the regular season series with the Pirates taking two of three in Greenville.

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standings for most of the season. Instead, Chelsea failed to defeat a lowly Bolton side while United triumphed against Wigan to finish with a narrow two-point edge on the Blues.

Unfortunately, owners play a much bigger role in European football than they should. The New York Yankees comparison fits even better in this regard than on the playing field.

Like the Yankees, Manchester United and Chelsea spend their way to championships. In American sports, it isn't uncommon for low-payroll teams to win championships (a la the Florida Marlins circa 1997, 2003).

No such parody exists in English football; the most prestigious teams will win nearly every season.

Americans may be familiar with the ownership on Manchester United's side. American Malcolm Glazer, owner of the Tampa Bay Buccaneers, took over controlling interest in 2005. Glazer's team has been successful on the pitch, but financial woes have supporters calling for a takeover.

Russian billionaire, Roman Abramovich, guides Chelsea. When Abramovich sees a player he wants, he gets him. Money is no object in west London. It is no coincidence that in 2005, Abramovich brought Chelsea its first domestic title since 1955.

After dueling it out on the field in Moscow, a number of United and Chelsea players will set their differences aside and suit up for England in a friendly against the United States. The U.S. MNT is entering a brutal stretch of games to prepare for World Cup qualify-

ing this summer. The other two dates include matches with Spain and the world's number one ranked team, Argentina.

The Americans have yet to prove themselves on this level, so the games should serve as a measuring stick for just how much progress has been made since a disappointing finish in the 2006 World Cup.

The U.S. MNT has not defeated England since 1993 while the only other victory came in 1950. The Yanks have never beaten the Brits on English soil.

Next Wednesday's ESPN Classic broadcast will hype up the "David Beckham factor." American pundits are likely to build this match as David Beckham and his "old country" versus his "new country."

Watching Beckham and his L.A. Galaxy teammate Landon Donovan battle it out in the mid-field should be fascinating.

Given England's failure to qualify for this summer's European championship, a loss to the U.S. would be downright embarrassing.

Wembley will not be quite as festive as the Luzhniki Stadium in Moscow, but the two games are "must see" for any sports fans.

The atmosphere and passion surrounding these matches, especially the UCL final, transcend anything the NBA, NHL, or MLB have to offer.

How could you not tune in?

The match between Manchester United and Chelsea airs today at 3 P.M. on ESPN 2.

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## Lady Pirates golf concludes NCAA play



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Sophomore Abby Bools finished with a tournament score of 229.

### ECU finishes 12<sup>th</sup> at East Regional

#### (ECU SID)

No. 37 ECU closed out the 2008 NCAA Women's East Regional Championships with a 54-hole score of 919 (314-297-308) at the University of Georgia Golf Course and finished 12th out of 21 teams, marking the Pirates highest ever finish in NCAA postseason play.

The Pirates carded a final round 308, highlighted by Abby Bools and Ana Maria Puche's rounds of 75.

Bools ended up with a tournament score of 229 (76-78-75) finishing in a tie for 43rd, while Puche carded a 235 (82-78-75) for a share of 68th.

Freshman Amber Littman led the Pirates with a 228 (80-71-77) claiming a share of 36th place. Emelie Lind (76-74-81=231) was tied for 55th and Collen Estes (85-

74-81) tied for 86th.

University of Florida took the regional with an 883 score, one shot over three-time NCAA defending champion Duke (884).

Host school Georgia was third (889) followed by Auburn (894), Virginia (898), South Carolina (899), Wake Forest (899) and Furman (900) all advancing to the NCAA Championships in New Mexico.

Individually, Benedicte Toumpsin (South Carolina) took first place with a score of 214 (68-70-76) while Amanda Blumenhest of Duke (68-73-74=215) and Sara-Maude Juneau of Louisville (67-74-85=215) finished in a tie for second.

Juneau, along with Alexandra Phelps of New Mexico (217) and Carmen Perez of UNC-Wilmington (219) also advanced to the NCAA Championships as individuals.

The Pirates finished the 2008 season with a record of 126-34-1.



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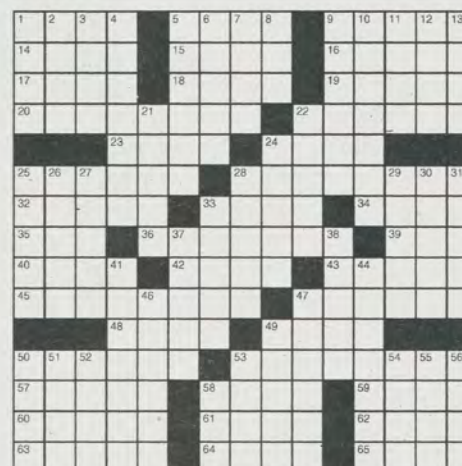
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## Crossword

**ACROSS**  
1 Set of elevators  
5 Peace offerings  
9 Story so far  
14 NYC theater award  
15 Deified Egyptian bird  
16 Marry on the fly  
17 Confederate  
18 Refusals  
19 Chip dip  
20 Adolescent  
22 Placard  
23 Lode loads  
24 Legal wrong  
25 Hunting dog  
28 Most savory  
32 UFO pilot  
33 Roll-call reply  
34 Manitoba tribe  
35 Cured pork  
36 In style  
39 Ms. Gardner  
40 News piece  
42 High peaks  
43 Kentucky Derby prize



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45 Impress with sparkle  
47 Tranquil  
48 Dregs  
49 Raton, FL  
50 On the plane  
53 Moving at a jogger's pace  
57 Relation in degree  
58 Clean and tidy  
59 Smell  
60 Face the day  
61 Baroque master  
62 Lead the nomad's life  
63 First, second and third  
64 Toward shelter  
65 Smelting refuse

**DOWN**  
1 Gravy server  
2 Proficient  
3 River of Sudan  
4 Prime theme  
5 Crooner  
6 Hautbois  
7 Wharf  
8 Sound of a slow leak  
9 Vacation spot  
10 Stretchy  
11 Young male horse  
12 Area of a church  
13 Bartlett, for one  
21 Place to play  
22 Did modeling  
24 Cocoyams  
25 Indian address  
26 Lift the spirits of  
27 Used a stopwatch  
28 Arizona State's city  
29 Obliterate  
30 Magnificent number?  
31 Tantalize  
33 Room connectors  
37 Kicked back  
38 Put up  
41 Vague feeling of discomfort  
44 Sermonizers  
46 Goose eggs  
47 Assuage

## Solutions



49 Buttress  
50 U.A.E. word  
51 Theda of the silents  
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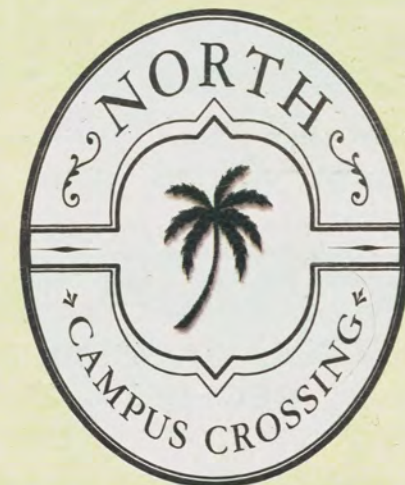
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