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BRIEFS

Greenville receives award from Governor Perdue

Staff Reports

On Nov. 14, Governor Perdue will present the city of Greenville with an award for being an innovative and creative small business community.

Greenville was one of nine communities recognized with the award.

"Governor's Innovative Small Business Community Award" comes with up to \$30,000 in forgivable loans for businesses to start up or expand in the communities where they are awarded.

"Small businesses are the backbone of North Carolina's economy. Supporting our small business owners and entrepreneurs is the best way to improve the unemployment rate," said Perdue.

Greenville has partnered with the Small Business Development Technology Center at ECU, Pitt Community College and non-profits to provide assistance to businesses who need help developing or refining their business plans.

Professor receives grant

Staff Reports

Gary A. Stringer, a professor and scholar of English Renaissance Literature and the 2011 David Julian and Virginia Suther Whichard Distinguished Professor in the Humanities, received a grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities.

The grant is for \$240,000 and includes an additional \$30,000 in federal matching funds for "An Edition of John Donne's Songs and Sonnets and a Further Expansion of DigitalDonne," which is Stringer's project.

This is the third grant since 1986 that the NEH has awarded to the support of the work, "Variorum Edition of the Poetry of John Donne."

The grant is for three years and will allow Stringer and the Variorum staff to work on the three-part volume of Donne's "Songs and Sonnets," and publish two of the three volumes during the period.

Expansion of the project's website is also planned to take place.

Boys and Girls Club annual run planned

Staff Reports

This Sunday, the Boys and Girls Club of Pitt County will hold its annual "5K Run for the Kids."

The run will take place at 2 p.m. at Metrics, 1240 Sugg Pkwy, in IndiGreen Industrial Park off 264 Bypass North.

To register for the race, visit www.ecrr.us. The registration fee is \$25.

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University workshop to focus on journalism

Staff Reports

The School of Communication and the North Carolina Scholastic Media Association will host more than 300 high school students at the Eastern North Carolina High School Media Workshop.

The workshop will begin at 9 a.m. today in Hendrix Theater on campus.

Alumnus John Cooper will be the keynote speaker in broadcast journalism. Cooper is deputy manager of the Live Desk with NBC News in Charlotte.



Students enjoy a summer study abroad trip in 2010 to Ring of Kerry, Ireland. Study abroad programs like this can be done during fall, spring or summer terms.

Study abroad gains popularity

Caitlin Hunnicutt
STAFF WRITER

Study abroad programs offered to students at the university have increased, but the numbers of courses being offered are still being cut due to lack of enrollment.

With a rise in students attending the university every year, there is a slight rise in the number of students that the university has studying abroad. The goal for study abroad programs is to have a higher percentage of students studying abroad every year, according to Katie Erickson, assistant director for study abroad.

"It's a great opportunity for students to

begin working with people of different ethnic backgrounds," said Erickson. "With the world becoming more globalized, it's vital that student are able to cooperate with people of all races and nationalities."

Students have the opportunity to participate in different types of study abroad programs. Of those, two of the most popular types are international student exchange programs and faculty-led programs.

The major difference between the two programs is that in exchange programs, students are travelling on their own to take classes at a university abroad. In faculty-led programs, students travel with a group of other students and

professors and take ECU courses for credit.

Students who are choosing to study as an exchange student have more than 50 opportunities to choose from.

For the 2010-2011 year, there were 30 programs offered through the faculty-led study abroad programs, 22 of which actually went abroad. The faculty led program took about 285 students, according to Carolyn Thompson, coordinator of Summer Study Abroad.

"Our numbers are good, but we do see an

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Downtown was less crowded than usual on Halloween due to rain Monday night.

Police report minimal crime this Halloween

Alexa DeCarr
STAFF WRITER

Halloween is usually a major event for both university students and the police force alike. Yet, this year, the much-anticipated weekend brought less crime to the city than previous years.

According to Lt. Chris Sutton with the ECU Police Department, there are a number of reasons for the decreased crime rate, including fewer patrons due to the fact that Halloween fell on a rainy Monday.

"We got two inches of rain Monday night," Sutton said. "So I think fewer patrons came out simply because of the weather."

Sutton also said that the Campus Police Department, who works closely with the Greenville Police Department, was well prepared and had additional officers on duty Thursday night through Monday night, as well as checkpoints downtown Saturday and Monday night.

He also credits the university for giving students new options when it comes to celebrating Halloween, helping students to avoid trouble.

"The university does a good job of giving students alternatives,"

Sutton said. "They had the Midnight Madness event and a dance at the Recreational Center."

The ECU transportation system also extended the downtown bus services to Monday night, which Sutton says gave students a safe way of transportation rather than drinking and driving.

In terms of the crime that did occur this past weekend, the ECU Police Department crime logs indicate that most of the incidents consisted of underage consumption of alcohol or larceny.

"We didn't have anything this weekend that we have not experienced on any other normal weekend," Sutton said.

There was one major incident that did occur, however, which was the fatal stabbing of a young Fort Bragg soldier.

In a recent press conference, police chief William Anderson said they have arrested 19-year-old ECU student Christopher W. Brauer of Durham with one open count of murder for the death of 19-year-old

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Arrest made in human trafficking

Lauren Keranakis
STAFF WRITER

The ringleader of a human trafficking operation was arrested during a brothel raid.

A woman was rescued from the brothel Friday night. She is an illegal immigrant in her 40s and was brought to Greenville approximately one week ago, after being promised a cleaning job at a party in Durham, according to Human Trafficking Task Force Coordinator Melissa Larson.

Oscar Salinas-Rodriguez was charged with sexual servitude and is held under a \$100,000 bond, as well as an immigration detainee.

Also charged with soliciting a prostitution are Kenia Valdez-Gomez of Brooklyn, N.Y. and Jose

Castro of Wilson. Both are jailed on \$5,000 bonds, reported The Daily Reflector.

"Citizen calls led to the search," said Larson. Pitt County Sheriff's Office has been looking for Salinas-Rodriguez for years, Larson added. Information described in the interview led the sheriff's department to believe Salinas-Rodriguez was the ring-leader of this particular brothel.

"The dynamics of trafficking is keeping victims isolated so that they do not know where they are," Larson said.

Because victims are virtually trapped in a trafficking cycle, it is very hard for victims to escape.

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Police charge student in stabbing



Christopher W. Brauer.

Staff Reports

Christopher W. Brauer was arrested yesterday after he turned himself over to police; he has been charged with murder in connection with the stabbing death of a Fort Bragg paratrooper.

Brauer, 21, of Durham, was suspected of killing Pfc. Keyonn Parkin of Wichita, Kansas at a party in the Pirates Place apartment complex early Saturday morning.

In a press conference on Tuesday Police Chief William Anderson said that the Parkin and friends had travelled to Greenville from Fort Bragg to attend the party where he was stabbed. Brauer stabbed Parkin after one of Parkin's friends Pfc. Robert Michael Perry was accused of stealing a wallet.

An altercation began as the men left the party; Parkin who was unaware of the accusation joined Perry and was then stabbed by Brauer after a verbal confrontation with him, according to Anderson. An arrest warrant has been issued for Perry on a misdemeanor larceny charge.

Brauer enrolled at the university in 2008, he is in jail under a \$1,000,000 bond and is expected to have his first court appearance today.

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Student response to ToGo Initiative

Melanie Jock
 STAFF WRITER

The ToGo initiative, the dining hall's new system for students getting meals on the go, has had both positive and negative feedback from students.

The initiative, launched at the beginning of the fall semester, allows students to use the boxes in Todd and West End Dining Halls during the weekday for lunch and dinner. The reusable boxes replace the old styrofoam containers that were previously used in the dining halls. Nearly 145,000 styrofoam containers were used last year on campus, so the switch helps to save from extra waste ending up in landfills.

By purchasing the membership into the program for \$5.99, students receive access to a reusable container for to-go meals. Whenever the student wishes to use the box, he or she will take it to the dining hall to get his or her meal. When he or she is done, the student rinses out the box and then returns it to the dining hall to be sanitized. After, the student can either get another box or receive a key tag to signify membership in the program, which he or she can use on the next dining hall visit.

According to Food Service Director Joyce Sealey, the program seems to be successful so far. "We've sold right at 1,450 memberships into the program,"

she said. "Five percent of the meals are to-go meals now, which is a little lower than last year."

Sealey says the drop in to-go meals is due to the ease of access students had last year, which allowed them to get any meal to-go.

When asked about the program, students seem to evoke a positive response.

"I like it; I think they're thicker and better (than Styrofoam)," said sophomore communication and language disorders major Antionque Penny, who is a frequent user of the boxes. "It's convenient to take out and eat while I'm studying."

Freshman nursing major Kerinne Melton feels the same way. "It's easy for when I have homework or class," said Melton.

Students seem to like the convenience of the boxes; however, one concern is common among students — restrictions placed on the boxes.

"I like the program, but I don't like that we can't use it on weekends," said Melanie Davis, a senior psychology major. "I don't like that we have to pay extra and not get as much food as the people in the dining hall."

With the old styrofoam boxes, students could grab any meal to-go, but the new program only allows students to get the meals for lunch or dinner, Monday

through Friday. This lowers the opportunity to get to-go meals from 21 times in a week to 10.

Sealey explains that the reasoning behind this is simple. "The original intent of the program was for overcrowding," she said.

The program, along with being more environmentally friendly, is designed to allow students to get meals on the go, not forcing them to stay and eat.

"On the weekends, kids aren't running to class and they really don't have the time constraints that they do during the week," said Sealey. "So, we just limited it to lunch and dinner, Monday through Friday."

As far as breakfast goes, the number of students eating in the dining halls only reaches around 250 people daily, so the threat of overcrowding was nearly nonexistent. Also, Sealey says the dining hall opens early enough that students can come in and eat before heading off to class.

From what Sealey has seen and the feedback she has received, she believes students like the program, with the only concern being the restrictions of the boxes. She says the program will stay in place and continue to serve students.

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impact with the economy most definitely. We've lost some students," said Thompson. "We had students who applied that couldn't get the money because of financial aid, or couldn't get the resources that were required."

Students can apply for financial aid or scholarships to help compensate the costs of studying abroad.

Faculty-led programs are entirely self-supporting but students pay the total cost of the program. The biggest problem for faculty-led programs has been the economy and the impact that financial aid has played. Students have not had the resources to go forth with travel programs, according to Thompson.

Italy Intensives, a study abroad program for the School of Communication in the spring of 2012, was cut because of lack of enrollment into the classes being offered.

The professors, one university professor and one outside instructor, which were asked to teach, were not hired, and the communication classes being offered were cut.

"The problem was we didn't have enough communication students who signed up to participate, which would justify hiring communication faculty to teach," said Thompson. "We just didn't have the enrollment to justify hiring the two faculty members."

Students who were already participating in the communication faculty-led study abroad program could still participate, but would not be able to take communication classes. Some students had to cancel their trip due to the communication classes being cut.

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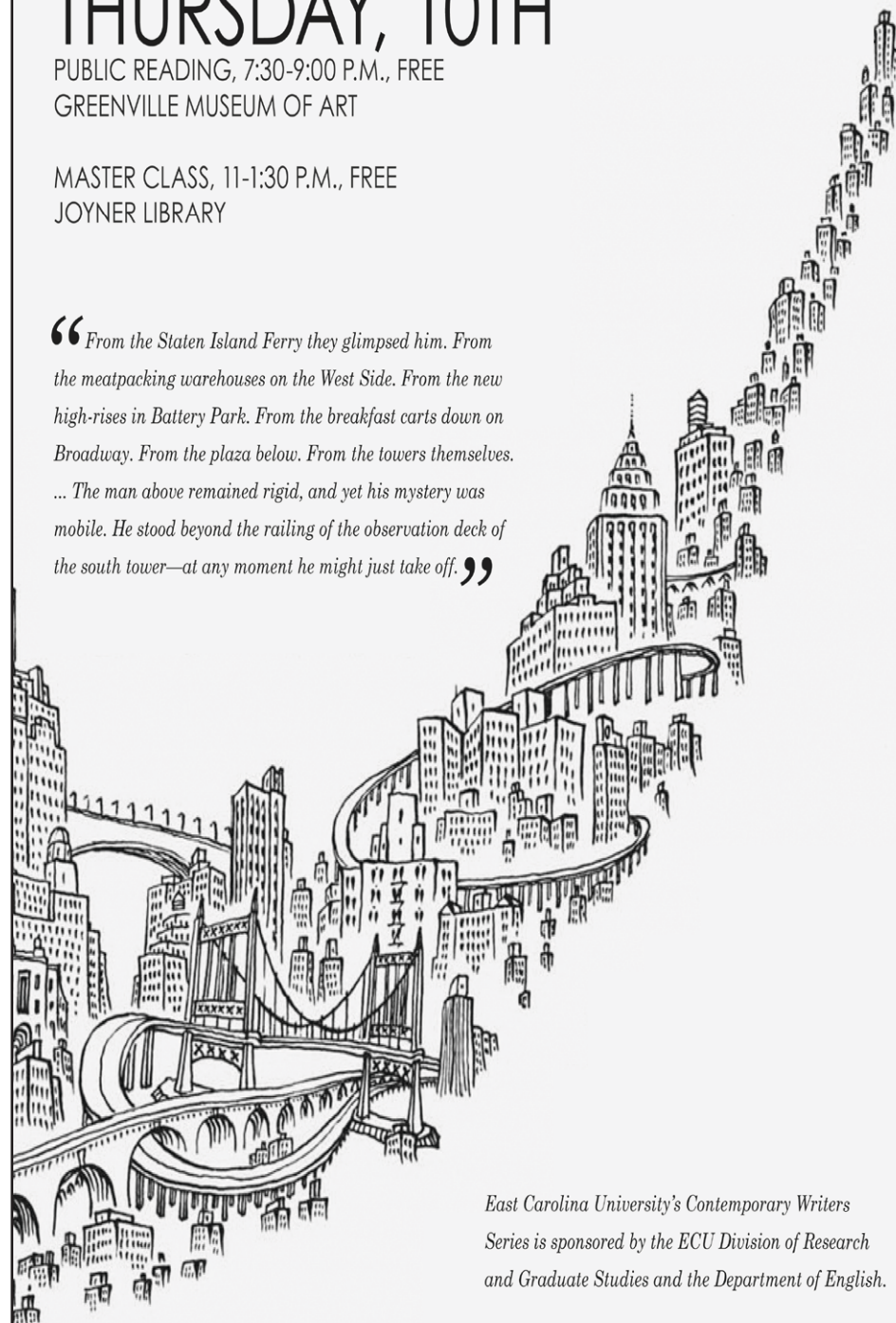
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Private First Class Solider Keyonn Parkin. Detectives also obtained an arrest warrant for Robert Michael Perry for misdemeanor larceny in the incident.

Furthermore, police say the incident occurred during a party at Pirate Place Townhomes on Saturday night. From what detectives gather, they believe Perry was confronted by residents at the party when he was seen leaving with a wallet that did not

belong to him, leading to an argument between several people. Brauer and Parkin then got into a verbal altercation which led to Brauer, allegedly, taking out a knife and stabbing the victim.

Sutton says although he was not on duty that night and cannot be sure, he assumes that the university police department responded to the situation, along with the Greenville Police Department.

Despite the incident, students say that in terms of safety, they felt safe over Halloween weekend. Many students say they took extra precautions to ensure their safety.

"I didn't go anywhere alone and stayed with my friends at all times," said junior elementary education major Ashley Keegan.

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Larson added that victims are transferred bi-weekly to keep them confused about their location.

Typically, each house could bring in \$30,000 a year. "It is all a money game," said Larson.

The Pitt County Sheriff's Department suspects that Salinas-Rodriguez is part of a "greater criminal organization."

Human trafficking is the fastest growing criminal enterprise. "It is right up there with the sell of narcotics and firearms," said Larson.

"It could even happen to college students. Leaders of these trafficking organizations look for vulnerable victims and suck them into the trafficking lifestyle," said Larson.

Stop Trafficking Now is an organization that helps inform citizens of the possible signs of a trafficking situation, and encourages them to call law enforcement. The organization provides training and movie screenings to help bring further awareness about this issue.

Larson encourages the public to "get involved and

become aware." Larson also suggested providing tips to law enforcement. Trafficking houses are similar to drug houses, except customer's visits are usually between 15 and 20 minutes instead of the usual 5 to 10 minutes for a drug deal.

There are two types of trafficking, labor and sexual trafficking; labor trafficking includes workers who are exploited in industrial and agricultural settings.

According to A Global Display of Human Trafficking

Incidents and News, other human trafficking cases have been reported this year in North Carolina. These cases were reported in Charlotte, Burlington, Raleigh, Carrboro, New Bern, Caswell County and Davidson County.

Trafficking is considered as a "hidden crime," said Larson. "We are always looking for more brothels. We will keep fighting the fight."

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If the Big East doesn't want ECU, fine. ECU will just continue its reign over Conference USA. GO PIRATES!

Isn't the point of Homecoming to promote ECU history and unity? Let's stop with the nasty looks, rude booing at skit night and snippy rants and come together as proud PIRATES!

Roses are red, violets are blue, if you're not a Pirate, then who are you?!

Fill the stadium this Saturday and stay the WHOLE game. If it's cold, then wear warm clothes. This game could decide the C-USA East Division. Go Pirates!

If I hear one more comment about No Shave November, I'm gonna walk around campus and shave every guy's face I see.

Whose bright idea was it to mix drunk people and horses?

To the person who robbed a guy on campus: Michael Myers uses a kitchen knife and breathes heavily. Way to break character and speak.

I lost all respect for you when you were openly talking about how someone got stabbed at YOUR party. Don't sound so proud, especially since he didn't survive.

To the girl in the skin-tight leopard outfit and 5-inch heels at 8 a.m. Tuesday morning: I'm pretty sure you had the ultimate walk of shame across campus! P.S. The pillow you were carrying was the cherry on top!

What was I for Halloween? I was a grad student studying.

I saw so many girls wearing the "daddy didn't love me" costume.

People say Greeks pay for their friends; well, Ambassadors pay to win Homecoming! Haters Gonna Hate, this is Win Number 8! Go Ambassadors!

I'm glad he's single because I'm going to climb that like a tree.

When I see a couple arguing, I slow down and listen. I need to know who did what and which side to mentally root for.

Your dye job is bad. As an 18-year-old male, it's not good that I should be able to identify this.

Dear girl with glitter smeared on her chest: Take a wild guess what I'm staring at.

You don't shut down the computers in the lab, you log off so people don't have to wait 10 minutes.

That moment when you start reading Pirate Rants and realize people are ranting about last week's rants and you must have forgotten to read last week's paper. FML.

HAS YOUR MUFFIN BEEN BUTTERED? WOULD YOU LIKE US TO ASSIGN SOMEONE TO BUTTER YOUR MUFFIN?

There are two things in life you'll never forget: your first million and your first case of crabs.

To the people hooking up at the Tar River Estates clubhouse Wednesday at 2 a.m.: All I wanted to do was print my notes for my test. Next time, try getting a room. It is an apartment complex.

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SOUND OFF

What is your stance on: No Shave November?



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OPINION COLUMNIST

Senior nursing major

I'm sad to see October come and go but now starts a new month. "No Shave November" is upon us. Bar your doors and

hide your daughters; we're in for 30 days of the most hideously patchy faces in various stages of growth you'll ever see. I, for one, find it totally uncouth.

No Shave November is supposed to be a month where men draw attention to men's health issues like prostate and testicular cancer by engaging in a very manly behavior, such as growing a beard. Personally, I think many men use it as a convenient excuse to slack off in their personal grooming efforts.

It's like going to Hooters. Ask any guy why he goes there and he'll tell you it's for the chicken wings. Ask any guy why he participates in No Shave November and he'll tell you about the importance of screening for cancer. Boys will be boys and if boys find a legitimate excuse to look at breasts and act like slob, they will.

There is a thing called technology; for the most part, we have embraced it. It started with a straight blade and then progressed to electric razors. The whole concept of No Shave November seems to reveal in technological regression. It is a month devoted to anti-science and grizzly appearances. If October was "Breast Cancer Awareness" month, then No Shave November is "Amish Lifestyle Appreciation" month.

Let's face it: this day and age, we are utterly obsessed with image. Beards give the impression of a bygone era where there was peace, love and hippiness. Beards are associated with the free-spirited types that smoke weed, never bathe and come up with passive aggressive ways of continually sticking it to the Man, like sprouting a grotesque beard. Nobody will give you a job with a beard except for maybe Ke\$ha, and she'll only keep you around to tote her suitcases full of garbage that she calls "clothing."

There is no sense in having a month dedicated to not shaving. I understand it's supposed to be a celebration of pent-up brutish angst for having to maintain a domesticated appearance all the time. But please, gentlemen, don't think you're the only ones out there that have to shave. What's a face compared to two legs, a set of armpits and a bikini line? From a surface area comparison, women tend to do a lot more shaving than us men.

This is America and we have carefully cultivated a culture that states that bare is beautiful. Men, stop throwing a temper tantrum with your month of protest. You're stammering around like little brats. Frankly, it's a bit childish — which totally nullifies your November efforts to prove how manly you are. So grow up, not a beard.

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OPINION COLUMNIST

Freshman English major

A month, while typically seen as a time frame of 28, 30 or 31 days, can also be recognized as representing

something of greater value. Each month has a cause that is endorsed during that time. One cause that is typically overlooked occurs during the month of November.

Referred to by many college students as "No Shave November," this grizzly tradition of men not shaving during the entire month of November may seem to be nothing more than a simple attempt at displaying the manly gruff of unshaven testosterone.

While this may have been the case when this tradition began, No Shave November is now a movement among men across the world. Sometimes referred to as "Movember" ("Mustache November"), this grand display of healthy man tangles and braided facial hair has tagged an even greater purpose to its name.

No Shave November takes the principals of November and allows men and women to display their beards as they grow throughout the month. During the cultivation of one's facial man trophy, people are able to go online and endorse a certain beard, 'stache, sideburn or anything in between to help raise awareness for prostate cancer.

I find this to be a worthy cause and will endorse it myself. So often in our current society we have standards that something must be serious and boring to inact change. This movement changes that stereotype and allows people to enjoy the time spent helping others.

According to The Christian Science Monitor, John Yuetter for the American Mustache Institute thinks that men who participate in Movember should get a \$250 tax break. Yuetter states this would increase the federal revenue by \$300 million per year. Grow a mustache; save the economy.

What about the ladies? Women have typically been overlooked during No Shave November. This month should greatly benefit women as well. Not only can women participate, they also can help to save a man's life. The money donated by a hairy-legged woman could save her future husband, brother or even father from prostate cancer.

Therefore, after reviewing the greatness of No Shave November, Movember or whatever it may be called, I cannot find a single negative aspect within this cause. I encourage you all to participate, as I plan to.

If you see me walking across the mall, men lift your beard and women raise your matted leg hair. Let your razors go unused and allow your bird's nest of entanglement to act as an unshaven beacon that represents the fight against prostate cancer.

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Reducing the stigma



Rex Rose

OPINION COLUMNIST

Freshman psychology major

We consider our society a progressive one. Our generation has made the most progress toward acceptance of different cultures, sexualities and lifestyles. Where has our acceptance stopped? I believe the answer to that question is the acceptance of people with mental disorders.

Mental illness is a tough concept for most people to discuss. As a society, we value normalcy and we appreciate people who think and feel the same way we do about certain topics. People with the same beliefs flock together and this togetherness creates a sense of acceptance. What about people with mental disorders? Where do they go? Who is their community?

The stigma associated with mental illness is astounding. People with mental illness are viewed as "crazy" and "dangerous." The need to be accepted and avoid the "crazy" label is why almost half of all students that would benefit from counseling go untreated.

According to the National Alliance on Mental Illness website, "Three quarters of all lifetime cases of mental illness begin by age 24." Also, 70 percent of all mental illnesses begin between the ages of 18-24. The importance of reducing the negativity surrounding mental disorders on a college campus is clearly obvious, especially when 70 percent occur during college-aged years.

The fear of being labeled crazy and not being accepted, which is a basic human need, causes numerous people not to receive treatment for problems that encroach on their everyday life. This fear is not uncommon to Sandy Matthews, the Outreach Coordinator for NAMI (National Alliance on Mental Illness) Pitt County, who has a son that suffers from bipolar disorder and schizophrenia.

"My 40-year-old son has been discriminated against in jobs, social situations and even in church ... he didn't admit his mental illness for a long time because he thought other people would think he was crazy," said Matthews.

If people aren't receiving help for mental diseases that can be treated with medicine because of how people will view them, what we should do is clear: We should stop viewing mental illnesses in a negative light, we should stop keeping it a hush-hush subject. Changing your mindset is the easiest way of eliminating stigma. Instead of viewing the illness as something that should be kept out of social discussion, we should view mental illnesses as a treatable disease.

Matthews is doing just that, as the Outreach Coordinator for NAMI Pitt County. Her goal is to educate and fight stigma concerning mental illnesses. Matthews states, "The U.S. Surgeon General reports that you are about three times more likely to be struck by a lightning bolt than suffer violence at the hands of someone with psychiatric problems."

Matthews is also trying to start a NAMI club on campus to provide awareness and support on a college campus. She can be contacted at sandymatt@suddenlink.net for more information about the club. The school counseling center is also a great place for help and information.

Now is the time to prove how open-minded of a generation we are. Change how you view mental illnesses and you just might change someone's life.

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POLL RESULTS

Should "I love boobies" bracelets be banned?

Yes 0%

No 100%

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Appropriations

Funding Updates for TEC – 10/25/11

¥ Student Organization Funding Budget:

¥ o \$100,000.00

¥ Amount Allocated to Student Organizations by the Appropriations Committee as of 10/25:

¥ o \$26,672.91

¥ Remaining Student Organization Funding Budget:

¥ o \$73,327.09

¥ Number of Student Organizations that have received financial assistance from SGA as of 10/25:

¥ o 30

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Scarves, and boots, and hats, oh my!

Time to wear those winter accessories



Lindy Maddox
COLUMNIST

Fall is here and winter is quickly approaching. Halloween has come and past. With the holiday season right around the corner, the fashions you've come to know and love in the past few months are gradually transitioning to warmer looks. Not only do your pants get a little longer and your jackets gain a little more volume but your accessories need a change too! It's time to trade out those headbands for turbans, those sunglasses that hang around your neck for infinity scarves and your bangles and rings for mittens and gloves.

Normally men feel a little hesitant when it comes to accessories. When they hear that word, they tend to think of purses, jewelry and girly items. They don't think of masculine looks, detailing that can spice up any everyday look. One footloose and fancy-free trend that is perfect for men is desert boots. Desert boots are flat Wallabee-inspired shoes that you can slide on, lace up and wear with any look. Rock them with a casual T-shirt and dark jeans or dress them up with some corduroy pants and a pullover and you'll be looking fresh and in style.

Another accessory that is ideal for a college male is a beanie. Beanies are classic and hardly ever become out-of-date. Not only do they come in a wide variety of colors and designs but they keep you cozy and ready for winter weather. If you're cold enough to wear a hat, then you'll definitely be cold enough to wear some gloves. But don't fret; your gloves don't have to be feminine. Stores like J.Crew and Banana Republic have gloves that come in masculine colors and look manly enough to get attention from the ladies who are enjoying the crisp weather right along with you.

Now it's time to get down to the "accessory queens." Women have a knack for knowing what to wear with their ensembles. Whether it's chic jewelry or funky shoes, ladies tend to do-up the detailing on their looks without fail. A trend that every woman knows about for fall is boots. Knee-high, ankle, mid-calf, booties, cut-out ... there are so many different kinds of boots that it's hard to keep track.

One of the most popular boots on campus are UGG boots. While these comfy boots can keep you warm, they aren't necessarily the hottest trend. An alternative to UGG boots is fur lined combat boots. They are not as bulky or bear-like as UGG boots and they can be worn with dresses, skinny jeans, skirts or leggings. While fur lined combat boots are cute and comfortable, a hot shoe that can be worn for a night on the town is a wedge boot. Wedge boots are practical because they help keep your strut stable, while keeping your entire foot covered and warm.

Another hot style for female students is the scarf. Whereas pashminas were the hottest craze last year, this year the infinity scarf is all the rage. Since infinity scarves are



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Monday night was chilly, and while some students chose to dress up before going downtown Halloween night, other students chose to go out as themselves.

Snow White and Quail Man get rowdy downtown

Observing the happenings of downtown Greenville on Halloween night

Sara Davis
STAFF WRITER

Among young adults and adult kids, Greenville is known for its Halloween block party. This year, Halloween night in the streets of downtown Greenville looked like a Ghost Town. There were police officers, lights and barricades all over the place, but there was no one to use them.

Very few costumed people filled the downtown roads at around 11 p.m. In fact, there were very few people at all in the typically jam-packed streets. The usual Halloween revelers had already partied too hard during "Hallo-Weekend" and did not want to go out in the relentless downpour of rain or had a professor who assigned a devilish test or assignment on Nov. 1.

For those who would not let anything stop their Halloween festivities, they had to face the difficulty of getting around the puddles that had formed in the streets without getting their feet wet. Costumed people went through the barricades, where they were patted down and then ran off to find a dry place to party. In the background,

a police officer said to a student, "You must not have class tomorrow or you just aren't going." In the streets, there were more people wearing everyday clothes than costumes. Some of the costumes consisted of go-go dancers, Woody from Toy Story, firemen and Olive Oyl and Popeye. Music was spilling out of the different clubs and bars. Club 519 was where the costumed crowd was hidden away.

Upon entering Club 519, which had no cover, it was like entering a magical land. There were people from '90s Nickelodeon game shows, such as Double Dare and Legends of the Hidden Temple. Barbie hung out near Black Swan's Nina Sayers and Mr. Clean was chilling at the bar. There was also a scuba diver, Wayne from Wayne's World, Santa Claus and Tiger Woods. Tiger Woods was complete with the thongs of his mistresses tucked in his back pocket. In the distance, Buzz Lightyear smacked the booty of an elf. There was wacky dancing all around. Two girls dressed as the SunDrop commercial dancers were doing some interesting moves. A Star Trek-themed girl was getting her groove on too. Her moves were definitely not from earth. The songs "Monster Mash" by Bobby Pickett and "Thriller" by Michael Jackson came on and the dancing increased momentarily. The Halloween themed shot was a popular purchase up at the bar.

Back outside, there were more costumed

people roaming around because the rain had stopped. The Other Place was where the most exciting music was coming from, so lots of people were headed that way. Inside, the floor was shaking from the bass of the music. Draft beer was only five cents here, which made it a good place for deal-hunting drinkers. Two Lady Gagas stood near the doorway chatting with each other. A cowgirl was grinding on a stripper pole and a mermaid was on the dance floor. Two people walked inside covered in blue body paint and tiny loin cloths dressed up as Avatar characters. Later on, these two practically mated near the bar as they rubbed up against each other on the dance floor. A girl dressed like a fox was spotted in the back of the bar. An angel and a devil grinded on each other while someone dressed as Quail Man watched. Snow White hung out in the corner with other miscellaneous characters. Sounds of joy and merriment filled the air. The atmospheres in both Club 519 and The Other Place were friendly. There was little indication that anyone was angry.

By 1 a.m., Halloween was still going strong in the clubs and bars of downtown Greenville, but the streets still looked empty. For those who chose to celebrate, it was a successful evening.

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Alumnus advises senator in nation's capital

Mike Davis
ASSISTANT LIFESTYLES EDITOR

On May 6, many Pirates closed the educational chapter in their life, and opened, or hoped to open, the next chapter of their lives: work.

But for Salisbury, N.C. native and former Student Body President Tremayne Smith, the opportunity to work straight out of school came with the price of years of dedication, determination and support from his peers and professors.

After working on the presidential campaign for Obama throughout college, Smith said his "political juices began to flow" and that it "took that practical experience to stir it up." With his reputation preceding him, Smith was promoted from intern to staff assistant for Sen. Kay R. Hagan in her Washington, D.C. office.

As the staff assistant for Sen. Hagan, Smith has been delegated to keep up with the inventory of not only the D.C. offices, but all of Hagan's offices in the state of North Carolina, ordering letter heads, business cards and other essential office supplies and helping advise the interns. Also, Smith creates charts and graphs for reports that are shown not only on TV, but also on the floor of the senate.

"It is so great, because on any given day my work is on the senate floor of the United States," said Smith as he gleefully shared his job responsibilities in front of the university's students, faculty and middle schoolers from the Ron Clark Academy in Atlanta, GA. "It is just a very proud thing to do. It's the little things."

But not only does Smith schedule meetings, help run day to day operations at the office and communicate with constituents, he also was tasked to help the National Youth Leadership Council. Once a week, Smith would talk to North Carolina

high schoolers about issues in D.C., Sen. Hagan's political stances, but mostly engage them about what they want to get out of politics.

"Just hearing about how involved he was and his experiences he got from being involved really got me interested in joining SGA myself," said Matt Paske, senior nursing and psychology major and executive director of Community and Safety Affairs. "He's had a very positive influence on not only myself but a lot of other ECU students during his time here."

Smith said that it is so important to share his experiences with others to help motivate people as he progresses through life. The motto he lives by, "Live as you climb," really depicts the helping figure he truly is.

"These are the student body presidents of their student body council. These students were me," said Smith. "I feel blessed now that I can look back and share with them how I got to where I am now."

But like anything new, change comes with a price. Spending 23 years in the slower paced, southern hospitality, "yes sir," "yes ma'am" south, the move to a big city was even more drastic for Smith.

"I was raised that you say 'ma'am' and 'sir,' you say 'yes' and 'no,' you hold the door open for people. You pick things up for people when they drop them and have a firm handshake when you greet them," said Smith as he explained the culture shock that came along with his change in location. "In D.C., everyone is on their own path, they have their own agenda. Don't say 'Yes ma'am' because it makes people feel old."

Another change that Smith quickly noticed was the driving in the city, recalling that road rage down in North Carolina is just driving in D.C. For his first few months in the city, Smith would

drive around the city for a few hours every Sunday evening just to acclimate himself with the new, fast-paced style of driving he was most likely taught not to do growing up.

To add to the list of changes are the prices for just about everything, including gas, transportation like the metro, and even one of Smith's beloved southern fast food hot spots. "I went to Bojangles and it was eight dollars for a chicken biscuit," said Smith. "And I love chicken biscuits, but once a week now, and it's for supper."

But to help ease some of the expenses, Smith kept in good contact with alumni and others who helped him find a house four blocks from Capitol Hill. Since his reputation was outstanding, the rent on the three-story house was lowered, which gave Smith a short walk's commute to work.

One of the most memorable moments in Smith's short stay in

D.C. was a time when President Obama and his daughters sat and talked with him at a local yogurt shop downtown. This was just one of the many examples Smith shared with the group about his encounters with people of authority and fame, saying that the opportunities are all around, and that it is just a matter of jumping through the open doors and seizing the moments.

Don't be surprised to see this staff assistant turn into someone who will change the world, because if Smith's perseverance and drive have shown anything, it is that anything he puts his mind to he does. With his goals to be the senator for North Carolina and then the president of the United States of America, remember that this Pirate was once sitting in that same seat, in that same lecture as most students.

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Tremayne Smith (right) talked with students during his visit last week.

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constructed in a circular shape they can be twisted around your neck for extra comfort and security during breezy winter days. Infinity scarves are the perfect outfit ornament because they can be worn with dresses, jeans and pretty much everything in your closet. Pair an elegant infinity scarf with some fingerless gloves and chunky rings and you'll be looking cozy and hardcore.

While scarves keep you warm, an additional item that looks great with winter clothes is a pair of fashionable earrings. When you're all bundled up in the winter, earrings are one of the

only items that can be spotted. Big chandelier earrings are gorgeous and will prove to your peers that underneath that cute jacket is a stand-out student with fierce style. To top of the look, add some oversized faux glasses and you'll be looking like you stepped out of a magazine.

Accessories are necessary with any ensemble. They can spice up a drab look, add some flare to that hot downtown dress or kick up the casual look you wear to class everyday. While remaining mod, accessories for fall and winter can help keep you

snug and on track with the hottest trendsetters. So before you step out into that crisp cool air tomorrow, make sure you slip on some out-of-this-world accessories and rock it like you are the most stylish student on campus.

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Look for Lindy's next column in December!



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A scarf, such as the one featured left from Catalog Connection, is a great fashionable and practical accessory for colder weather. Boots, such as the ones featured above (also from Catalog Connection) are also a transition accessory for colder months. While the ones above have belt buckles for style, other popular styles include cut-outs, knee highs and booties.

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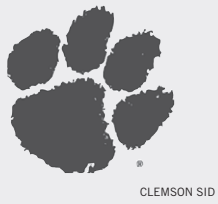


Coach Speaks...



"We know what's at stake. I talked to the players about our overall goals, but then get immediately back to what's at hand. Our biggest game is this week's because it's the only one we have. I'm better at making sure we're darn good at one thing than trying to be OK at 10 things. I'd rather focus on what we're doing right now." Ruffin McNeill, head football coach

Ranking the Carolinas



1.) Clemson (8-1)
Next: BYE



2.) USC (7-1)
Next: Arkansas



3.) UNC (6-3)
Next: N.C State



4.) ECU (4-4)
Next: Southern Miss



5.) Wake Forest (5-3)
Next: Notre Dame



Leonard Paulk (25) and Jacobi Jenkins (8) lead the Pirates onto Bagwell Field against Tulane. ECU will have to defend its home turf against USM this Saturday.

East division showdown

Pirates, Golden Eagles to compete for top spot in C-USA East

Adam Bunn
ASSISTANT SPORTS EDITOR

ECU will go for four straight wins and take a commanding lead in the East division of Conference USA when the Pirates welcome No. 25 Southern Miss to Dowdy Ficklen on Saturday afternoon.

With both teams currently at 3-1 in conference play, the winner of Saturday's match-up will control their own destiny for the rest on the way.

Last Time Out:
For the Pirates, they continued their recent winning ways after dispatching Tulane 34-13 on Saturday. Starting quarterback Dominique Davis had another efficient outing, one week after breaking two NCAA passing records, going 29 of 46 passes for 329 yards with one touchdown and one interception.

Southern Miss cracked the top 25 this week after putting the UTEP Miners away 31-13 on Saturday night.

Senior quarterback Austin Davis, who completed 17 of 31

passes for 190 yards with three touchdowns and one interception, led the Golden Eagles. Not only did the passing game work for USM, but the rushing game showcased its abilities as running back Jamal Woodyard carried the ball 16 times for 134 yards and a score.

Series History:
Southern Miss has owned the Pirates historically, as they hold a 26-10 all time record against ECU. The Pirates, however, have won the last two meetings in the series, defeating the Golden Eagles 44-43 last season and posting a 25-20 victory in 2009.

ECU Offense:
After struggling at the start of the season, the Pirates' offense has come back to life during their recent three-game winning streak.

Davis has thrown the ball for over 300 yards in every game during the streak, bringing his season numbers to completing 243 of 345 passes for 2,342 yards with 15 touchdowns and 11 interceptions.

On the ground, the Pirates have struggled all season long. While

the passing game has improved in recent weeks, the ECU running game has stayed just as stagnant as it was at the beginning of the season.

With tailback Reggie Bullock continuing to miss time due to a nagging leg injury, sophomore Torrance Hunt has come in and done enough to stay on the field, carrying the ball 52 times for 245 yards and a score.

On the year, the Pirates' offense ranks 54th in total offense, averaging 407 yards a game. Those numbers break down to 312 yards passing a game, good for 11th nationally and 112th on the ground, averaging just 94 yards a game on the ground.

ECU Defense:
Any objective observer has to be impressed with the turn around by the ECU defense during the 2011 season. The Pirates defensive unit finished the 2010 season dead last in the nation in total defense. While ECU hasn't been world-beaters on defense, their stats have jumped up enough for the Pirates to be ranked 56th nationally, giving up an average of 378 yards a game.

In the beginning of the season, it seemed to be a one-man show on defense with linebacker Jeremy Grove being the most productive player. However, with the last three games, he has gotten some help.

Cornerback Emaunel Davis, as well as the entire Pirates defensive line, has stepped up their game, allowing ECU to defeat Navy, one of the best rushing teams in the country, and holding Tulane's rushing attack to less than 100 yards.

Southern Miss Offense:
Unlike the ECU offense, which is a one-dimensional unit, the USM offense is a balanced attack.

Led by Davis and running backs Kendrick Hardy and Woodyard, the Golden Eagles' offense ranks 18th in the country in total yards, averaging 469 yards a game.

"Austin Davis is one of the most experienced quarterbacks in the league, as this will be his 40th career game Saturday," Head Coach Ruffin McNeill said during

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Quarterback claims title



Quarterback Dominique Davis (4) drops back to pass against the Green Wave.

Ronnie Moore
STAFF WRITER

Oct. 22 may seem like just another day on the calendar, but for Dominique Davis and the college football record books, it is an important date.

Davis began the game against Navy with flare and impressive accuracy. He completed his first 26 passes in a row for 251 yards in the first half. Davis' first half performance was good enough to write his name in the record books.

He surpassed Aaron Rodgers, quarterback for the Green Bay Packers, for the most consecutive completions in a single game. Tee Martin, who played for the University of Tennessee, set the record of consecutive completions at 23 and Rodgers tied that mark in 2004. Now, those two decorated quarterbacks have to take a backseat on the list behind the Pirates' own, Davis.

Davis also set another record in

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Junior guard to make big impact

Kristin Smith
STAFF WRITER

Celeste Stewart steps back onto the court this fall for a returning appearance with the Lady Pirate Basketball team.

Stewart, No. 14, and a junior guard from Charlotte, N.C., was a top contributor to the team last season. She started many of the games last season and contributed an overall total of 31 goals scoring 132 points, 76 assists, 34 steals, 29 free throws, 13 three-pointers, 30 offensive rebounds and 43 defensive rebounds for the Pirates.

This season, she expects to play hard and lead the team to the best of her ability, as well as motivate the team towards its common goal of a championship. With the 10th place prediction for this season, the underdog mentality is certainly looming over Stewart's head.

"This year, we are planning on working hard in order to prove the predictions wrong and do well in the conference," Stewart said. "It has been a good experience knowing we have a big group who came in and who will also be helpful with the new freshmen and transfers in the future."

Though the team brought in a bevy of talented transfer players and freshmen during the offseason, the team is a cohesive group now.

"We just had our 20th practice, in which we have no new or returning players at this point. We are all united as one and we are one as a whole," said Head Coach Heather Macy.

When asked about Stewart on and off the court, Macy spoke highly of the junior guard. "She is a terrific person and hardworking player who trained all summer, showing a lot of commitment to the team."

Coach Macy went on to comment that Stewart is a great example for the rest of the team and one to follow. "She has expanded her offensive role on the team very well," said Macy.

When Stewart isn't spending her time on the court or hitting the books, she enjoys relaxing. Whether watching her favorite shows on television or just hanging out with some friends, Stewart enjoys taking time away from the court.

After graduation, Stewart plans to find an internship in her studies or travel anywhere overseas to play basketball, since the sport has been an important part of her life.

"Both of my parents played basketball in high school and while I wasn't forced into the sport, I was introduced to it and have been involved in playing and learning



Junior guard Celeste Stewart dribbles up the court in Minges Coliseum.

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ONLINE EXCLUSIVE:

Check out sports writer Justin Ackley's update on how former Pirates performed in the NFL this week.

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his weekly press conference. "For consecutive weeks, we'll face an experienced quarterback. Austin has done a great job leading this offense for (Southern Miss Head Coach) Larry (Fedora). He has a well-coached football team that plays extremely hard."

On the year, Davis has completed 175 of 274 passes for 2,014 yards with 17 touchdowns and only eight interceptions.

Southern Miss Defense: The Southern Miss defense has been described

as a stout unit that is quick and athletic. But they are also sound in fundamentals, which allows their defenders to be in the right place at the right time.

"Defensively, it's a typical Southern Miss group. They can all run. Former Defensive Coordinator Todd Bradford left for Maryland and Dan Disch has taken over," McNeill said. "They play a 4-2-5 now with four down linemen, two linebackers and five defensive backs. They're already in a nickel

look, which puts more speed on the field. They'll play with five defensive backs the majority of the game and insert a sixth at times. They already had speed on the field and now they've gotten more. They can really run."

The Pirates and 25th ranked Golden Eagles will fight for control of the East division Saturday afternoon with kickoff set for 4 p.m.

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the Navy game, in addition to the 26 consecutive completions. He completed his last 10 passes the week before against Memphis, setting a record for most consecutive completions over multiple games at 36.

"It wasn't just me, it was the receivers who had a perfect game," Davis humbly said of the record-breaking performance. Davis never spoke a sentence about the record without placing his teammates in the spotlight. The senior finished the Navy game going 40 for 45 in passing attempts and throwing for 372 yards and two touchdowns, leading the Pirates to a 38-35 victory over the Midshipmen.

In the sports world, Rodgers is commonly known as a Super Bowl-winning quarterback for the Packers. When Davis was asked about dethroning Rodgers, he replied with class.

"It feels great, especially the record I broke. I am just like Aaron Rodgers, a junior college transfer to a big Divi-

sion I school, and now he is doing great things in the NFL," said Davis.

Over the first five games of the season, ECU was 1-4, seemingly out of any bowl opportunity, but over the last three games, the Pirates have improved their game and have returned to .500 at 4-4.

But now, the Pirates are in the thick of conference title contention. The defense has improved and the offense has gone with the pace of Davis and improved statistically in each game.

Even throughout the rough period at the beginning of the year, Davis completed 66 percent of his passes and had nine touchdowns and 10 interceptions. During the win streak, he is averaging 336 passing yards, a 75.8 completion percentage, and has six touchdowns and an interception. Davis has also rushed for three touchdowns to go along with his passing numbers.

Davis' offensive productivity has sparked the Pirates to three consecutive 30-plus

point games.

"It's not really just me, it's the whole offense," Davis said. "We turned around together, and we are just trying to stack up wins, and every win is motivation. We are trying to keep that motivation and continue winning."

After winning on Saturday against Tulane 34-13, the 6-foot-3-inch quarterback "believes the sky is the limit with this team. Our main goal is to get to the conference championship and even win it, our goal is still there and we are just trying to reach it," said Davis.

The Pirates will now endure a fight in Dowdy-Ficklen against Southern Miss, who is one of the stronger teams in the Conference USA. This will be a tough game and a stepping-stone on the road to the conference championship.

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about it ever since I noticed I had a talent for it," Stewart explained.

In balancing school-work and sports, Stewart has learned time management skills that will aid her in her future endeavors outside of basketball, as well as on the

court and in life.

Opposing team should be on the look out for Stewart and the rest of the Lady Pirate basketball team as they go head-to-head in their season opener on the road against College of Charleston Nov. 11 at 5 p.m.

The first home game face-off for the Lady Pirates is set to begin Sunday, Nov. 13 at 2 p.m. in Williams Arena against the St. Andrews Knights.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

The etiquette program is Wednesday, November 16th at 6:30pm in the Sweethearts section of Todd Dining Hall. This event is geared to help students feel confident with their professional interpersonal skills. For ticket information, please contact the Central Ticket Office in Mendenhall (252-328-4788) by Wednesday, November 9th or email farrington06@students.ecu.edu

The College of Allied Health Sciences and the College of Nursing, through their BB&T Leadership Enhancement grants, will present an Interprofessional Health Leadership Conference on Friday, November 11th from 8:30am to 4:30pm. The conference will take place on the Health Sciences Campus. Registration required: <http://www.ecu.edu/cs-dhs/ah/inter-professional.cfm>

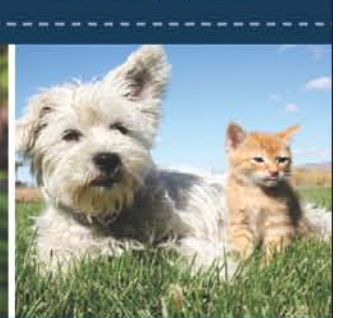
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