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## In darkness:

### A 9/11 tale of survival

**Chelsea Cox**  
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Michael Hingson first went to the World Trade Center in 1996, and learned to navigate the building well as a blind man. In 1999, he received his fifth guide dog, Roselle, who was with him on Sept. 11, 2001.

On that day, he went to work at Tower One like he normally did. At 8:45 a.m., he was reaching for some stationary paper when he heard an explosion and the tower suddenly tipped and everything in the room shifted toward the large glass windows in the office.

He said at that moment, he and his coworker David said goodbye, but then the 110 foot story building became vertical again.

Last Wednesday, the Student Activities Board (SAB) brought New York Times bestselling author and technologist, Michael Hingson to campus to share his inspirational story of how he and his guide dog for the blind helped dozens of people escape Tower One during 9/11, just before it collapsed.

Hingson's guide dog Roselle, who was afraid of thunderstorms, was acting perfectly normal as she woke from her nap.

Hingson called his wife, Karen, and let her know there had been an explosion. He then told everyone around him to go downstairs. They were on the 78th floor.

Hingson said he constantly

encouraged everyone on the stairs. After they got down ten floors, they started being passed by people yelling "burn victim coming through." Anyone standing close to an elevator was burned by the flaming jet fuel that spread quickly down the hollow walls.

By the time they made it to the 50th floor, David was ready to give up, but Hingson snapped at him to keep going. David then started going one floor ahead of the group to shout what floor he made it to and let them know everything was okay. Hingson kept praising Roselle so she wouldn't worry about him being scared.

When they made it to the 39th floor, Hingson let everyone know that if the lights went out he and his dog would guide them. He realized at that moment that he had an advantage over the sighted people in the group. He knew the way out, with or without lights.

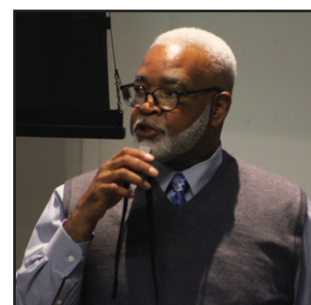
Soon the firefighters started to pass them. By the time they made it to the first floor, the sprinklers had flooded the lobby. He said the water was ankle deep at that point.

When he and the others got out of the building safely, Tower Two collapsed and the air was thick with dust. It was difficult to breathe, much less see. Again, Hingson had an advantage. He and his dog guided his group to the entrance of the subway, down the stairs and into a breakroom for safety. Hingson and Roselle had saved the lives of those who followed them.

Soon after 9/11, the PR coordinator for Guide Dogs called and asked him which TV show he would like to be on. He said "Larry King Live." His story quickly spread all over the news.

In 2010, a writer named Susy Flory contacted him about writing

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Candidates from top left to bottom right: Mandie Smith, Rick Smiley, Tom Best, a speaker on behalf of Catherine Wetherington, Calvin Mercer, Terri Williams, Dennis Mitchell, Marion Blackburn and Clinton Anderson.

## Candidates speak

**Emily Gardiner**  
TEC STAFF

Student Government Association held a municipal candidate debate on Oct. 28.

Candidates gave a small speech about their platform and where their district is located. A Q-and-A session was held after each candidate's speech.

Greenville mayoral candidate Tom Best said part of his vision for the city was to build a new performing arts center similar to D-PAC, the Durham Performing Arts Center. If this were built, taxes would not rise. Best said that he is not knowl-

edgeable about any downtown clubs shutting down.

A student asked Best what he would about making Greenville more inviting to potential new businesses.

He answered that his plan was to create more parks and embrace Greenville's historical side.

Current District 1 Council Member Kandie Smith is running for re-election for her position.

"I want to be partnered with you," said Smith to students.

Smith desires to improve Greenville's roads and drainages systems. Also, she wants to put stuff in

downtown that student's are interested in. She said she wants to work with students to find out what they want. For her, the clubs will remain but she wants them to be cleaner than they currently are.

North of the Tar River, Smith is pushing for more economic development.

Clinton Anderson is also running for council member for District 1.

Anderson encouraged students to get involved and vote so their voice

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## Philanthropy benefits Crohn's disease research

**Ryan Clancy**  
TEC STAFF

Alpha Tau Omega will begin their philanthropy events this week to benefit Crohn's disease, a cause inspired by a member of the fraternity's brother.

Tyler Holmes' older brother Jeff has Crohn's disease, a chronic disorder that affects the gastrointestinal tract.

His brother's condition inspired Alpha Tau Omega, Tyler Holmes' fraternity, to have a Cookout for Crohn's with Sigma Phi Epsilon last Tuesday, according to ATO's president Ethan Douglas. They are also holding an EggerATOR event this Wednesday with the proceeds going to a local chapter of the Crohn's and Colitis Foundation of America.

Holmes said the events are important "just to help out with research and find possible cures."

The disease can be difficult to diagnose, but once diagnosed its can be controlled, according to Holmes.

"It's just figuring out what's wrong that's difficult," said Holmes. "Once you have it, it's manageable with medicine. It can flare up but it's not debilitating. It's just like having stomach problems all the time."

The decision for ATO to raise money for Crohn's research occurred when plans to work with another charity fell through.

"We used to do philanthropy with a local cancer fund around here in Greenville and last year we tried to get in touch with them and they never responded to us," Holmes

said. "We just started coming up with ideas for different ones and we went with [Crohn's and Colitis Foundation of America]."

Clay Schools, president of Sigma Phi Epsilon, said that he thinks the Cookout for Crohn's went well.

"I thought it was very successful," said Schools. "We had a great turnout and got a lot of support from the community."

According to Douglas, they raised \$3500 for the foundation.

"That all went to CCEA," said Douglas. "It goes towards research."

The cookout was open to anyone who wanted to attend, and it had two pigs, as well as hushpuppies and hamburgers.

"You could be Greek or non-Greek," said Douglas. "We had some

faculty there." Schools said he was pleased with the amount of people at the cookout. "We appreciate that everyone came out to support us and support the Crohns and Colitis foundation," said Schools. Holmes told Jeff about the event and the money they raised. "He thought it was great idea

especially when I told him how much we raised this week," said Tyler Holmes. Schools was glad to hear about Jeff Holmes' reaction. "I think that's really cool," said Schools. "It makes it more per-

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ATO is hosting its EggerATOR event, where members get hit with eggs for charity.

### BRIEFS

#### Book signing at Barnes and Noble on Nov. 2

TEDI BEAR Children's Advocacy Center will sponsor Selena Smith's book signing on her children's book "Joey Wants to Know."

The event will be Saturday from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. at the Greenville Barnes & Noble.

Smith's book was designed for parents to teach their children about sexual abuse and how to tell someone if it ever occurs.

#### Early registration ends for Equality North Carolina Foundation

Early registration ended on Sunday for Equality North Carolina Foundation's gala, "A Celebration of Home."

This event is Nov. 9 at the Empire Room in downtown Greensboro, N.C. There will be an after party at Print Works Bistro.

Now tickets are \$190 per person and people can register individually or reserve tables of 10 for \$1600.

#### Media briefing on Halloween safety

Today a media briefing on Halloween safety is being held at 10:30 a.m. at Gate 9 of Dowdy-Ficklen Stadium.

Chris Stansbury, executive director of marketing and communications for Student Affairs, and Emily McLamb, director for Student Activities and Organizations, will discuss "Midnight Madness" and "Halloweek" events.



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could be heard. To him, their voices should be equal to that of any Greenville citizen.

As a former ECU police man, Anderson said he is concerned about student safety. He believes that Greenville should have a similar blue-light system to ECU's.

Marion Blackburn is District 3's council member candidate.

Blackburn said as a full-time ECU student that she understands much of what college students endure. She said she understands the problems renters face with their landlords and students' safety.

She said that she wants people, especially student renters, to know their rights as a renter. There is a renter's handbook that the North Carolina District Attorney's office created that she referenced during

her speech.

Catherine Wetherington is running for city council for District 3.

She was not present at the debate, but one of her associates spoke on her behalf.

Her associate said Wetherington is concerned about Greenville's economic development, renters and homeowners, as well as about student safety.

An issue rose about a document that Wetherington and her associate thought were official. Some board members commented against the document, saying that it was not official and the website did not exist. Many questioned Wetherington's absence and wondered if it was associated with the document.

Wetherington's associate was questioned; her session of

the debate was cut short due to the negativity of the questions and the associate left upset.

Rick Smiley is running for re-election for his position of District 4 councilman.

Smiley supports much of the same growth for Greenville that the other candidates do, and he encouraged students to vote.

Terri Williams, District 4 city council candidate, also desires to see a performing arts center be built but acknowledged that a center like that would take money—money that the city does not currently have.

Williams wants to draw new businesses to Greenville so that more money can flow into the local economy. She also said that this would bring more residents to Greenville.

Calvin Mercer, an ECU

professor, is running for city-wide councilmember at-large.

He said he understands that students desire an entertaining downtown district.

As another economic builder, Mercer thinks that a baseball program may benefit the city.

Current citywide councilmember at-large Dennis Mitchell is running for re-election.

Mitchell and his team created a strategic-economic strategy that will create more jobs.

"We want to push the city to its potential," said Mitchell.

Local elections will take place on Nov. 5. All those wishing to vote must register no later than 5:00 p.m. on the Nov. 4. Early voting is available now.

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**Masked men rob pizzeria**

**Cici's Pizza robbed at gunpoint late Sunday**

**Tyler Stocks**

TEC STAFF

Greenville Police responded to a report of an armed robbery at Cici's Pizza Sunday at 9:49 p.m. The business is located at 425 SE Greenville Blvd.

According to Greenville Police Sgt. Joe Friday, victims said three black males with handguns robbed them as the store was closing. The suspects entered the back door of the restaurant and

made off with an undisclosed amount of cash before fleeing on foot.

The suspects were last seen wearing hoodies, masks and gloves. A canine unit was only able to track the scent behind Rugged Warehouse. Police are still investigating the incident.

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sonal for us the fact that we can directly help someone. People are appreciative and when we can see that firsthand, we get a lot of satisfaction."

The event was also a departure from the regular philanthropy that Sigma Phi Epsilon is involved with.

"This was something new, something different, it was a chance to give back to a different organization and expand our horizons in terms of who we give back to," Schools said.

Beside the Cookout for Crohn's, Alpha Tau Omega will also have their third annual EggerATO event at the Mendenhall Brickyard on Wednesday with the pro-

ceeds from that event also going the Crohns and Colitis Foundation of America.

According to Douglas, participants pay \$1 for two eggs and can then pelt members of ATO that stand on a chicken wire enclosed stage.

"You just get pelted by eggs," said Douglas. "It's just a fun thing for campus really. You just make a big mess."

Besides the money being donated to CCFA, Douglas listed some other incentives to throwing an egg.

"Maybe if you're angry you can throw an egg," Douglas said. "If you don't like Greek life, you can throw an egg."

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a book about his story. He and Flory published "Thunderdog" in 2011, a story about him and Roselle's intimate bond of trust, and their perseverance the day they needed each other the most. Hingson signed copies of the book that Dowdy Student Stores sold Wednesday night after the lecture.

Hingson also spent time during the event talking about people with disabilities, and the oppression they continue to face in our world. Born permanently blind, his doctor told his parents they should send him to a home for the blind because he would never be productive or independent.

"When people are physically different, they are viewed as less than competent," said Hingson, "disability meant no ability."

Hingson believes that it isn't the disabilities that need to be fixed, but instead, the people's perspectives.

"We all need to recognize how to maximize the value of the gifts that we have to offset the gifts we don't have," said Hingson, "teamwork is what it should be all about...no one has ever accomplished anything without somewhere having the assistance of someone else."

Janice Raines, the SAB chair of initiatives, was the primary coordinator for the event. She said they brought Hingson to ECU not only because his story was an inspiring one, but also because it was a story of leadership. She heard him speak at the National Association of Campus Activities (NACA) conference that they attend every year, and decided

to bring him to ECU.

"I saw him and I thought, wow, that's a really powerful story of leadership," said Raines, "and ECU is a school of leadership."

Raines said Hingson also attended several meet and greets on campus during the day.

"We had a talk with the RAs on campus, we had a staff development portion, a talk with the honors college, and also with the Office of Equity and Diversity (OED)," said Raines, "He did a little bit of a workshop, making people aware of how you can accommodate and not limit people with certain disabilities."

Hank Bowen from the Office of Student Transitions, attended one of those workshops, titled 'Moving from Diversity to Inclusion.'

"It was all about how we mention diversity but we don't really include people in a lot of things, and if we do it's all about race, or sexual orientation, or some of the more well know things that make people different, and people with disabilities are often not included," said Bowen.

Bowen said he hopes the lecture gave students a new perspective of people who have disabilities. "Students with disabilities are becoming more and more visible to other students," said Bowen, "and I hope that presentations like this open their eyes a little bit and helps them not see a person with a disability as different, but as a person who has different abilities."

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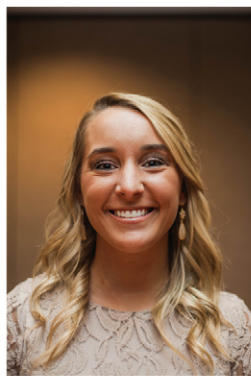
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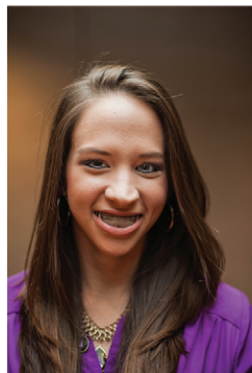
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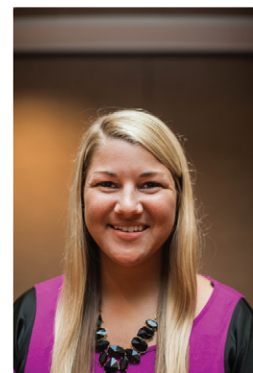
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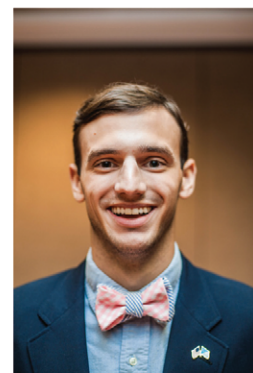
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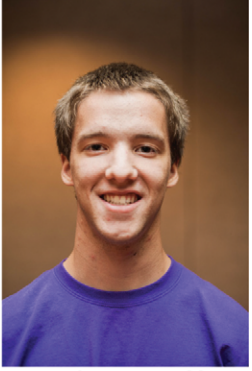
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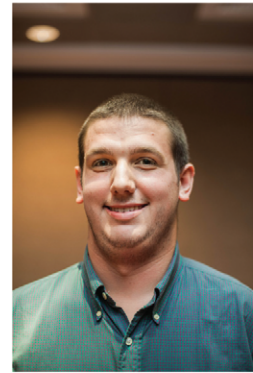
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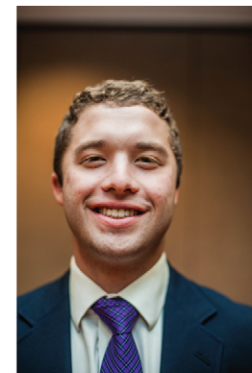
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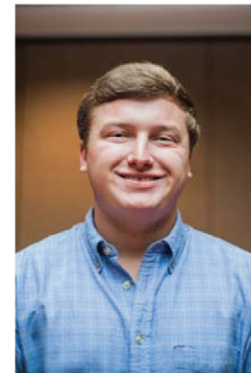
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NO! Anything but "Ugg boot weather!!"

The light skin guy that's in ROTC and works at the Rec is absolutely gorgeous.

Asked a guy out and he said yes. Modern woman: 1, traditional woman: 0.

Everyday in chemistry, I sit there and question every life choice I have made up to this point.

To state vehicles E35 and E23: Of all the Mendenhall spots available, you had to take up 2/3 of the only motorcycle spots and still couldn't stay in the lines? Kindly learn how to read and park, please.

Dear Teachers, your class is not the only class I am taking, so I would appreciate it if you would stop giving me work like it is. Thanks. From, A Delusional Education Major.

Why is 72 not online?

I'm glad I free-boob it. Don't have to worry about the bra bandit.

So ready for this d\*\*n semester to be over. Thanksgiving, Christmas, move your a\*\*.

One of the quickest ways for me to sober up on Fridays and Saturdays is to visit the WestEnd subway. The prices for a meal sometimes are robbery.

Hey Joyner, when you say you open at 10 a.m. on a Sunday, could you maybe actually open then and not fifty minutes later?!

This Asian drummer girl would at least like to be taken on a date first.

Don't glare at me when you walk into the Joyner Math CAVE. All I do is swipe your cards and give you a calculator. The least you could do is say "thank you."

I will see your sarcasm and raise you some sass.

To the guy on the track team with the huge GMC truck: I love you.

To the girl on the bus who is talking about not having anyone to carve a pumpkin with: I would carve a pumpkin with you any day.

I've seriously considered going to the hospital with mysterious symptoms just to not have to pull an all-nighter. #confession

I believe that the individual whose job it is to pick the best Pirate Rants has the best job ever.... and the worst job ever.

Joyner Library Starbucks' last call: 12 a.m. Downtown Bars' last calls: 2 a.m. Priorities?

Oh you have standards? You won't date a guy who still lives with his parents, but you will date a guy who lives with his wife?

So is nobody going to talk about the fact that Donkey from Shrek had sex with a dragon?

## Our view

# Culture shock: Education with celebration

As reported in last Thursday's issue of *The East Carolinian*, there was an Oktoberfest hosted in West End Dining Hall by the Student Activities Board, Campus Dining and students from the German department.

In addition to the German themed menu offered on Thursday, there were students from the German department providing those in attendance with information about German culture and the country.

We as an editorial staff believe that if cultures are going

to be celebrated on campus, they should always include an educational aspect.

Since we are students at a university, we would like to make sure cultural celebrations are not juvenile or only provide surface-level information of cultural exposure. We come to college to be educated and that includes learning more about other cultures. We appreciate those that hosted the Oktoberfest in the dining hall and hope that future cultural events on campus will provide an educational aspect more than just food.

# No Ceilings: Limiting labels of society

## The Blueprint



**Jared Roach**  
TEC COLUMNIST

The last couple months have been very eventful for actor, comedian, rapper: Donald Glover – also known as Childish Gambino. Who took to Instagram to talk about his fears of the future after leaving "Community"

One of the posts read, "I didn't leave Community to rap, I don't wanna rap, I wanted to be on my own." This was directed to the fans and critics who believe Glover wants

to chase his budding hip-hop career, but I think hes simply striving to be creative without labels.

I can't blame him. We've all been labeled, sometimes incorrectly, by society. Each label has its own expectations and limitations. We are often given limitations based on race, gender, socioeconomic status, failures and even our success. A football player, for example, is expected to be all brawn and no brain. If a football player were to begin writing poetry or singing love ballads, he may be criticized for not fulfilling the role assigned to him.

The trouble with labels begins when we give them power. Some may believe they can't achieve and excel because they are labeled insig-

nificant or unintelligent. But we are all multi-faceted people with much to offer the rest of the world. We should be allowed, even obligated, to reach our full creative potential.

Recently, Kanye West, in an interview with Zane Lowe, said the fashion world hasn't given him a fair chance because he is known simply as a rapper even though he has more to offer. "I make music, I can do it, but I shouldn't be limited to only one place of creativity."

These glass ceilings are meant to be broken and can be with enough determination. Sean "Diddy" Combs, for example, has made a career of surpassing expectations. He went from a college dropout to a Grammy winning, multi-million

dollar entrepreneur. He spoke of his humble beginnings on Power 105.1 FM's Breakfast Club, "I started out as an intern man, I started out getting coffee, I started out cleaning bathrooms."

Amazing things happen when people exceed the expectations of society. The achiever enjoys his accomplishment but others can see they can also succeed.

As Pharrell Williams said on Jay Z's "So Ambitious," "The motivation for me was them telling me what I could not be."

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# Anti-social effects of social media

## Because Laura Said So...



**Laura Said**  
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Let's talk about social media. We all started out with MySpace, and back then, MySpace seemed sufficient. But these days we have more than our

middle school minds ever imagined. Now there are social media outlets such as Vine, Instagram, Facebook and Twitter... and that's just naming a select few.

Do we really need it? I would have loved to live back in time when social media networks were non-existent. I feel like a hypocrite by making that statement because I'm involved with all four of the social networks listed above and it's all very entertaining, but isn't that sad?

Social networking has taken over the world and it's changing the way we do everything, whether we like to admit it or not. This topic has been on my mind for quite some time and I found it necessary to share with everyone.

As a senior, I've been reminiscing over my past few years at ECU. I've been more aware of the choices I've made, and reality has finally hit; I'm almost done with this part in my life. Next year, I'll be moving to California, starting a new life. I won't have time for social networks because I want to experience life. I could have done some things differently, but those things have found a place on my "Don't Do This Again" list. Social networking is one of those things.

One day, I was sitting in my room, scrolling through Twitter and I found myself bored of Twitter, so I closed the app and opened Instagram. I got bored of Instagram so I decided to scroll through Vine. I got bored of Vine so I just repeated the entire process. We all do this, right?

But it hit me. Hard, like a rock. Why am I doing this again? Of course I want to stay updated with my friends, but is it really necessary to refresh the page every five seconds? Even worse, is it necessary to disclose every detail of our lives to people that follow us? We all know who is dating whom, and sometimes, we even know why it didn't work out... because social networks tell everything. And we're addicted to it.

We wake up in the morning and check Twitter like it's the morning newspaper, post pictures on Instagram in the way that relatives take pictures of everything during a family reunion. We do it for the memories. But we are so consumed by it that we miss out on real life.

I'm pretty involved with social networks, as I promote for a club downtown. I was even an ECU anon, which I retired a few months ago. Lately, I've realized that I'm not happy with this part of my life.

Personally, I feel like a zombie, endlessly scrolling through other people's business. I zone out and block out the rest of the world. It's a huge distraction, as I'm sure, everyone is aware of and can agree on.

How pathetic is it that I hear something hilarious on TV and the first thing that pops into my head is, "Wow, I need to tweet that!" Seriously? It's like a nagging impulse to be consistently active on social networks that I forget about the rest of my life.

Now let me shed light on meeting people through social networks. I'm probably not the only one who thinks we're more social online than in real life. You ask for a "follow-back" on Twitter, but you can't say "hello" when you see them in class? Why? Social networks provide false confidence because it's so impersonal and informal. People will do things like freely compliment others (including strangers) on Instagram and then pretend that they "didn't see them" when they walk by them on campus? What is that?

Here's the kicker, and I'm going to be a mini-therapist here. How many of us take out our phones in a waiting room? How many of us walk through campus with our phones in our hands because it just feels right? How many of us (rudely) take out our phones on a date and scroll through our social networks because the date is kind of boring? Guilty as charged. So why do we do it?

We're lonely. We're afraid of silence. We can't stand the thought of walking through campus and just existing. We can't sit patiently in a waiting room because it's uncomfortable and you find boredom in passing time. We hate to be alone, and it scares us. So we sur-

round ourselves with social media, hoping to pass the time — but all we're doing is wasting it. And as I've realized this about myself, I've been doing things a little differently. Maybe you can, too.

So the next time you walk through campus, observe life around you. Notice the way that the leaves are falling and take time to step on it. Relive your childhood through that moment, when things were simple. When you're on a date that's a little awkward, just face it. Don't pull out your phone to save you. When you're sitting in your room doing absolutely nothing, go outside. Don't lose yourself inside of electronics and don't be afraid to experience the world. When you see a beautiful girl, compliment her as you would on your social networking sites. If you have relationship issues, don't post them for the world to see, face them and keep them private (as I've learned the hard way.)

This is a beautiful life; don't waste it scrolling through timelines because you're only wasting your time.

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# 'ECU Confessions' takes twitter by storm

Jordan Register  
FOR THE EAST CAROLINIAN

On Oct. 18, an anonymous twitter account, @ECU\_Confessions, took the twitter-sphere by storm. The account went from 1,000 followers to 5,000 followers in a series of three days.

The account serves as a way for students to confess any secret anonymously via twitter.

The student wishing to submit a confession either sends their secret with a number to an Ask.fm account belonging to the ECU Confessions account holder or direct messages him.

Ask.fm is a website intended for people to anonymously ask others questions, but can be used as a way for people to anonymously submit anything to an individual.

From there, it is posted on twitter

by the anonymous account holder for all of his followers to see. There have been other anonymous twitter accounts related to the university; however none of them have had such a booming success as this one.

"It was a shock to me," said ECU Confessions creator. "I didn't think I would get past a thousand, but a few days later it had five times that amount."

The account was in existence for only 12 hours before it started to get followers by the thousands. Other universities across North Carolina are now copying the ECU Confessions page and creating confession accounts for their respective universities. It seems ECU has started a statewide trend that may even go national.

Although the first known of its



"ECU Confessions" posts anonymous student secrets to their twitter page for all people to read.

kind on Twitter, the account creator says he got the idea from a Facebook page belonging to UNC Charlotte. The account creator says it has slowed down a little since its creation but is still going strong.

There are over a thousand confessions currently. His personal favorite confession is the one saying, "My roommate NEVER cleans after

her dog. It took a s\*\*\* on my bag and she didn't offer to help, so I mixed her dog food with her Reeses Puffs."

Although a majority of the confessions by students are comical, a large portion is related to sex and infidelity. Each confession getting over twenty favorites or re-tweets are added to the "ECU Confessions Hall of Fame."

Student and faculty's reaction to the Confessions account is mixed. The account is now a large source of conversation for students across campus.

"It was all anyone was talking about in class and at lunch," said Ana DePedro, freshman psychology major. "While my friends and I were studying, we would take turns reading the funny ones out loud to each other."

Some of the twitter backlash from students is slightly less positive. Some students are saying how reading all these confessions about infidelity in college relationships make them doubt the validity of their own.

Overall, the reaction has been overwhelmingly positive. This account is exactly the type of outlet people need to relieve some of the stress caused by college. "It's a way to get something off your chest and it's entertaining to read others confessions," said Olivia Patch, sophomore psychology major. "Also due to the anonymity, nobody gets hurt."

The account is currently standing close to 6,000 followers and gaining more each day.

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# Nashville better be prepared

Amanda Adkins  
FOR THE EAST CAROLINIAN

Kasey Tyndall, freshmen nursing major, is a talented country singer that is quickly being discovered. Tyndall has even opened for country singer Jason Michael Carroll.

She writes all of her own songs and performs them with her acoustic guitar at fundraisers and events around North Carolina.

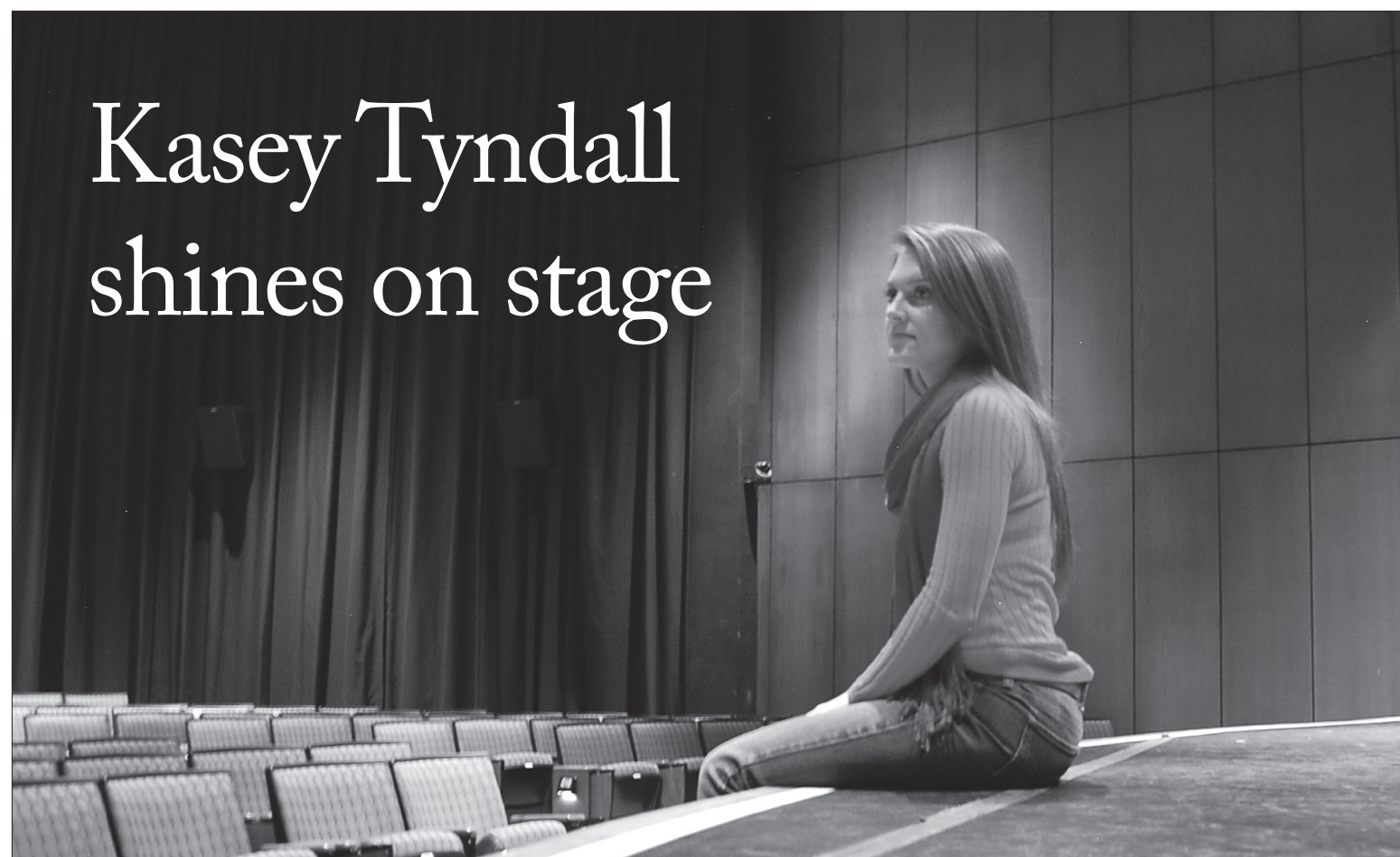
Tyndall was born in Rocky Mount, N.C. and has lived in Greenville for over seven years. She is currently a student at ECU and plans to stay here until she graduates and then hopes to further her music career.

"When I was 10-years-old, I saw my dad playing around with his guitar, so I started teaching myself to play and that's also when I started singing," said Tyndall. "I also play a little bit of the piano. Some of my favorite singers who inspire me to continue singing are Carrie Underwood, Miranda Lambert and Alison Krauss."

Not only has Tyndall won the singing contest at the 2013 Pitt County Fair, but she also won the local round at the National Texaco Country Showdown and the Roanoke Valley Idol Contest.

At the beginning of October, Tyndall won a chance to meet Lauren Alaina, 10th season American Idol runner-up. Tyndall gave one of her CD's to Alaina and one day later, Alaina tweeted Tyndall and told her that she had listened to the CD and that she was a "talented beauty."

"A lot of the inspiration that I get when I'm writing my lyrics comes from my boyfriend, Landry Pace," said Tyndall. It's also like an out of



Kasey Tyndall is planning on releasing an acoustic album that will feature songs that she wrote herself. Tyndall has dreams of going to Nashville.

body experience. If anything comes up in my head and I like it, then I write it in my lyrics. I really hope to be a songwriter in my future. My next goal for now is to get a gig at City Limits Saloon."

Tyndall hopes to release her new acoustic album in the next few days once all of the graphics have been completed. Some of her more popular songs are "Let Me Drive," and "New To Me." She has also done covers of "Cruise," by Florida Georgia Line, "You Ain't Woman Enough (To Take My Man)" by Loretta Lynn and "Whose Bed Have Your Boots Been

Under," by Shania Twain.

"I really love all of her songs and her music is easy to connect to," said Courtney Cox, freshmen and physical therapy major. "We've been friends for a long time, so I love getting to hear her new songs when she's finished with them. No one is more determined than Kasey, so we all know that she is going to far places."

Many other people agree with that opinion, because Tyndall's Facebook is filled with comments about her songs. She has had many requests to post lyric videos because

so many people have been touched by her originality.

"It's not always about where you are, it's about who you know, so I'm hoping to try and stay in North Carolina and see where my career goes from there," said Tyndall. "If that doesn't happen, then I'll go to Nashville."

All of her songs can be found on her twitter. Tyndall's Twitter handle is @kase\_kase. Tyndall's YouTube channel is "Kasey Tyndall."

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# The new Christian Grey takes on lead

Jessica Gribbon  
TEC STAFF

After petitions and protests took social media by storm about the initial casting for the book turned film, "Fifty Shades of Grey." Especially for the actor casted as Christian Grey, it was no surprise that Charlie Hunnam "dropped out." The production team went into scramble mode after the "Sons of Anarchy" star, suddenly bowed out.

Just a few short weeks later, the studio announced that Jamie Dornan was being considered for the part.

For days, websites and blogs have been discussing that Dornan is the front-runner, because nothing official has been announced from a legitimate source. Sources say there have been a few other actors in the running



CHARLIE HUNNAM | WEB PHOTO

for the part. However, this past Thursday, author E.L. James took to twitter to make the announcement a little more official

"Stow your twitchy palms ladies ... our man is here. Welcome to #TeamFifty @JamieDornan1," said James. If that doesn't solidify that Dornan is officially on board, who knows what will. Hunnam dropping out was not a huge surprise for those who follow entertainment news as well as trending topics on social media. He was faced with a constant slew of attacks from fans of the novel after the casting announcement was released.

This negative attention, although some



JAMIE DORNAN | WEB PHOTO

of it was positive, caused many people to wonder if he really did drop out of the film because he wasn't the desired actor to play the role. However, according to CNN, Studio Universal said Hunnam's TV schedule didn't give him time to adequately prepare to play Christian Grey.

This may be true, but that's not going to eliminate the possibility that he didn't enjoy being degraded and patronized.

The lingering question still remains; however, will Fifty Shades fans finally be happy? Well in the mean time, no petitions or social media frenzies have began in regards to the announcement of the new Christian Grey.

Matt Bomer, an actor on "White Collar" on USA Network, was the original actor fans saw playing the role of [Christian Grey], but was not cast. Fans initially made a petition stating they wanted Bomer instead of Hunnam, which clearly did not happen.



MATT BOMER | WEB PHOTO

On the bright side, fans appear to be supportive of the new Grey and see him as a better fit for both the character and the film. Since production has now been delayed after the search for Hunnam's replacement, it is unclear of when the film will be released.

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# Boutique of the week

## Bevello offers customers a variety of looks



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**Jessica McGettigan**  
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Off of Arlington Boulevard sits one of Greenville's chicest boutiques. With clothing to match every woman's style from head to toe, Bevello has everything to offer and then some.

"We have so many different looks in here. You can come in here and find an outfit for any event and we have a price range for everyone," said Taylor Qualls, store manager. "If you're looking for something a little higher end we have that, but we also have more affordable, trendy pieces."

The store layout of Bevello separates multiple styles into different sections, making shopping for a customer's specific taste easier.

"We set up our store almost into little separate shops in itself. We'll have city-chic, casual glam, and bohemian," said Qualls. "You can really find anything and you can mix and match between the shops."

Throughout the different sections, top season trends can be found along with classic looks.

"We definitely have a lot of edgy pieces, studded and embellished pieces and polished looks," said Qualls. "I think the south is beginning to embrace edginess because faux leather is probably the hottest selling

trend that we have right now. We can't restock it fast enough."

Bevello provides its customers with many different trends allowing them the opportunity to change up their style every so often, which is something that Qualls admires about the fashion industry.

"I love that you can change fashion every day and that you don't have to stick with one style," said Qualls. "If you feel like you want to be a little more classic you can put on a little black dress and put your hair up, but if you want to be a little more bohemian you can do that too."

Being expressive with your style is also something that Qualls feels is important.

"No one is going to make you stick to one style, so you can really express your mood," said Qualls. "I feel bad for men because there are so many styles for women and layers that you can add to an outfit to change it."

With so many different styles and trends to choose from, draining your bank account at Bevello could be easier than you think, especially now that the weather is getting much colder.

Skipping class to stay in a warm bed instead of braving the constant chilly breeze may be appealing to some students, but for those who want to be warm and cute when going to classes, Qualls has a few style suggestions.

"A big trend right now are the oversized Aztec



HAILEY PORTER | THE EAST CAROLINIAN  
Bevello's layout is divided by the types of styles a customer may want.



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Among their myriad of clothes, Bevello also provides accessories.

tribal cardigans," said Qualls. "Throwing one on with a pair of leggings and a basic cami or basic tee polishes up the entire look."

Another thing to remember when picking outfits, is how you feel in the clothes.

"Skinny jeans have a lot of Lycra in them so they're very comfortable. You can wear them with flats, boots or even Uggs and throw on one of those over size cardigans," said Qualls. "Add a scarf and you've got a

whole outfit that still looks really polished but it's comfortable."

Being around fashion since she was a little girl has definitely helped Qualls perfect her style advice.

"I've always loved fashion," she explained. "I kind of grew up around my mom always shopping and my dad actually is a commercial contractor for a retailer store."

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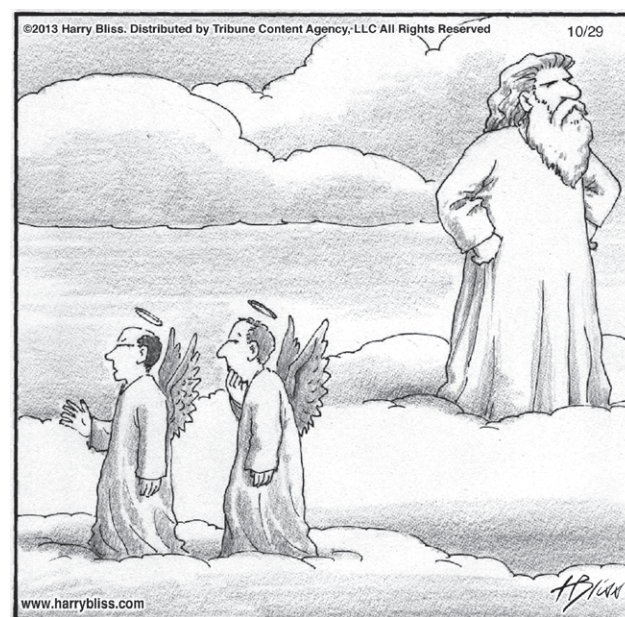
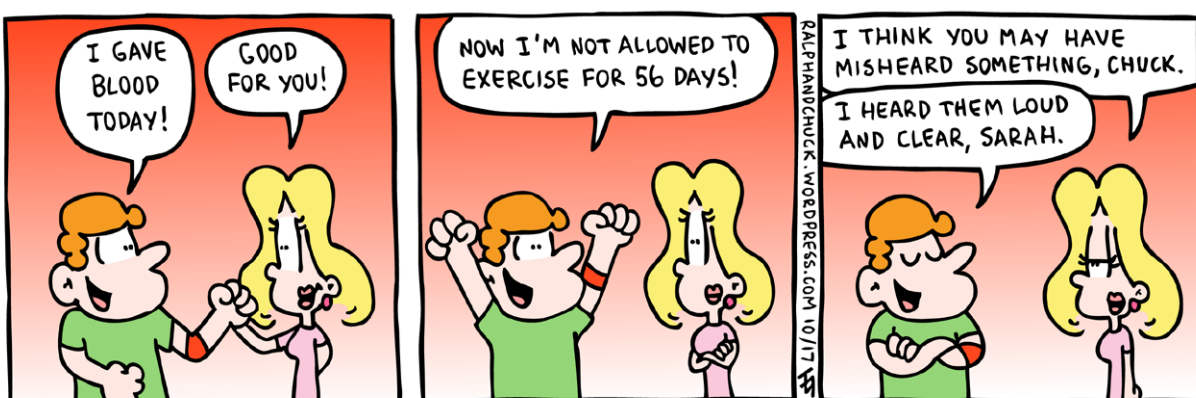
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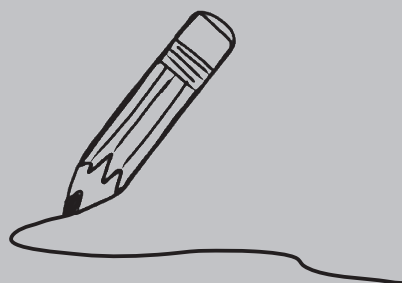
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Complete the grid so each row, column and 3-by-3 box (in bold borders) contains every digit, 1 to 9. For strategies on how to solve Sudoku, visit [www.sudoku.org.uk](http://www.sudoku.org.uk)

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## Los Angeles Times Daily Crossword Puzzle

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- ACROSS**
- Forget where one put, as keys
  - Pedro's eye
  - Golf great Ballesteros
  - Crumbly Italian cheese
  - Lao Tzu's "path"
  - Slangy prefix meaning "ultra"
  - Computer storage medium
  - When repeated, island near Tahiti
  - Male sibs
  - Kadett automaker
  - Apple music players
  - Vintner's prefix
  - Quick-on-the-uptake type, in slang
  - Athenian walkway
  - Otherwise
  - Persian rulers
  - Irene of "Fame"
  - Used-up pencils
  - Carton-cushioning unit
  - Latin being
  - Latin love word
  - Muslim pilgrim's destination
  - Tombstone lawman Wyatt
  - Mischievous trick
  - Showy authority figure
  - Facebook notes, briefly
  - Put back to zero
  - Orator's place
  - Vivacity
  - Fitzgerald of jazz
  - Tense pre-deadline period ... or when to eat the ends of 17-, 24-, 37- and 46-Across?
  - Bedframe part
  - Notes after dos
  - Pop singer Spector who fronted a '60s girl group named for her
  - Alley prowlers
  - Function
  - Chuck who broke the sound barrier

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By Steve Blais

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### DOWN

- Up-tempo Caribbean dance
- River of Grenoble
- Kids' imitation game
- Vietnam neighbor
- Part of USDA: Abbr.
- Multiple Grammy-winning cellist
- Catchall option in a survey question
- They're related to the severity of the crimes
- Caveman Alley
- Summoned as a witness
- Novel on a small screen, perhaps
- "Falstaff" was his last opera
- Wipe clean
- Tax pro: Abbr.
- Cyclades island
- Nothing to write home about
- Applaud
- Feats like the Yankees' 1998, '99 and 2000 World Series wins
- Opposite of NNW

### Thursday's Puzzle Solved

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- Close associates
- Roadside assistance org.
- Preparing to use, as a hose
- Tampa Bay NFLer
- RR stop
- Jamie of "M\*A\*S\*H"
- Arabian leader
- Play a part
- Discern
- Take by force
- "Is anybody here?"
- Quran religion
- Underlying reason
- Relatives
- Mrs. Eisenhower
- Snide smile
- Sicilian volcano
- French vineyard
- Earth chopper

## Club lacrosse scoops victories



KATIE WEST | THE EAST CAROLINIAN

ECU club lacrosse finished their fall tournament with a 2-2 record with big wins against High Point and Maryland.

**Brian Wudkwyh**  
FOR THE EAST CAROLINIAN

The ECU men's lacrosse team was in action this weekend as they hosted the 9th Annual Pirate Lax Invitational.

The Pirates, led by junior Clay Sobocinski's four-goal performance, beat the High Point Panthers 9-4 on Saturday.

The Pirates kicked off the scoring against High Point when Sobocinski made a defender miss with a dodge and then ripped a low shot past the goalie. The Pirates continued to find quality chances all through the first two quarters, using ball control and precise passing to open up scoring lanes. The Pirates had the Panthers defense scrambling throughout most of the game and at half time, the Pirates had a 5-2 advantage on the score-sheet.

Team Captain Danny Reyes was pleased with his teammates' performances during the match.

"We looked good and the offense was moving the ball well," said Reyes. "[We] found the open

space and buried the goals."

The Pirates came out of halftime picking up where they left off as they got a quick score to extend the lead to 6-2. From there, the Pirates turned to a more passive game plan and allowed some of the substitutes to see some action.

High Point looked to climb back in the game, garnering some late game goals, but it was too-little-too-late for the Panthers. High Point's defense looked overwhelmed for most of the game and struggled to stop the ECU attack.

ECU goalie Chris Lane made 12 saves and garnered high praise from Reyes.

"Chris Lane was big today," Reyes said. "He saved a lot of good shots and kept us in it."

Another notable performance came from junior long-stick midfielder Bradley Harwood, who led the team with seven ground balls, and two caused turnovers.

The Pirates finished the tournament with a 2-2 record, with a big

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## Lady swimmers win big against Gamecocks

**Wayne Hall**  
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Saturday's matchup against the 25th ranked South Carolina Gamecocks came down to the wire as the Lady Pirates edged out a victory.

The Lady Pirates held off a hard-charging Lady Gamecocks team in a close 152.5-147.5 final score to secure victory as it came down to the final minutes.

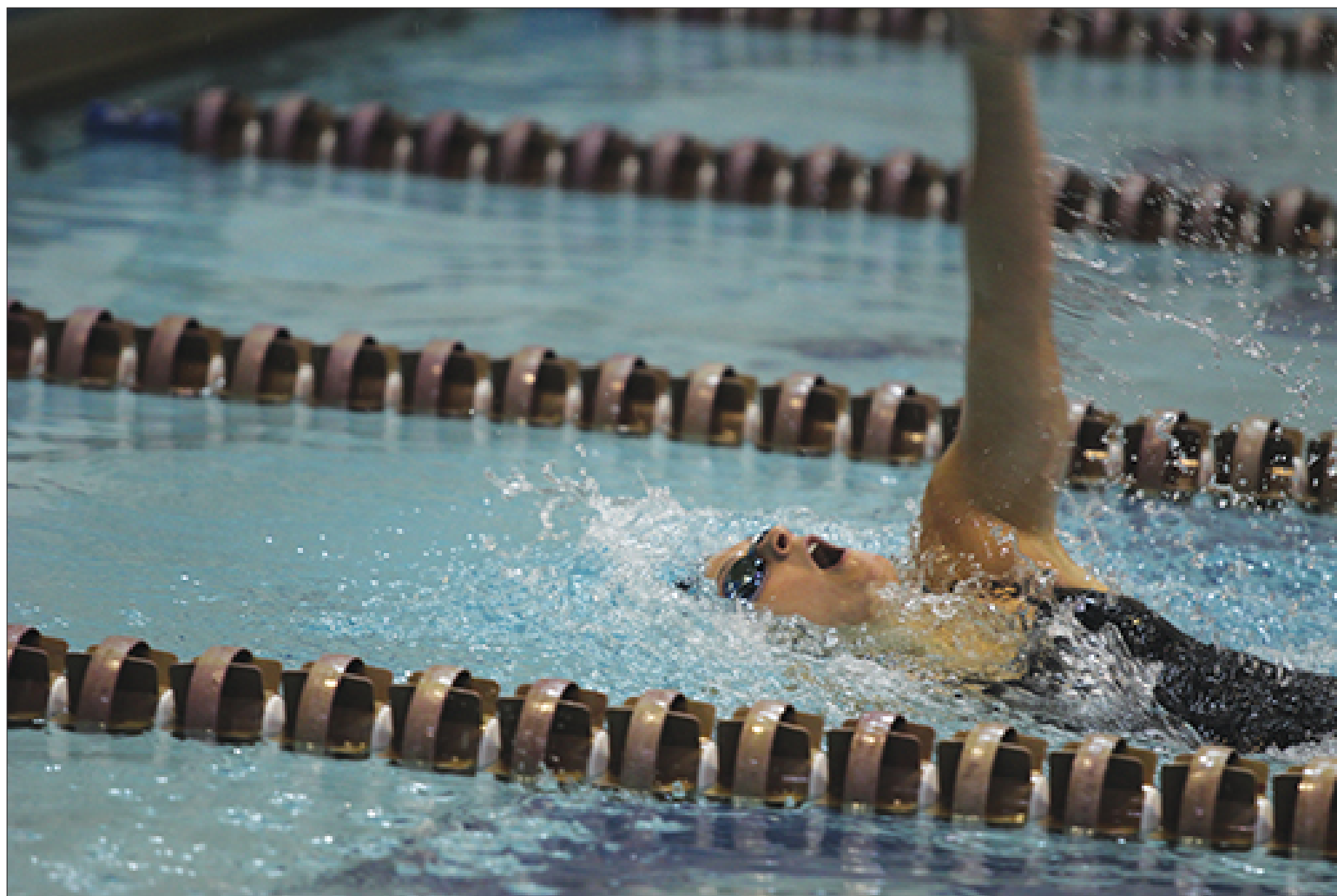
Sophomore Baillie Monahan started off the meet by finishing first place in the 100-meter butterfly (55.83) and the 200-meter butterfly (2:02.16), while junior Charlsie Lincoln would take first place in the 100-meter breaststroke (1:04.84).

Despite the Lady Pirates' strong performance, both women's teams would enter into the last event of the dual meet knotted up at 141 points. The 32nd event, the 400-meter free-stroke relay, was the deciding factor.

The relay team consisting of Anastasia Amoiroglu, Anna Gibas, Tori Angermeier and Anna Maria Svanbergsson capped off the Lady Pirates' win in front of an energetic crowd. That women's relay team won with a time of 3:25.77, which is a full 3.51 seconds faster than their opponents.

On the other side, the men's team made each event a nail biter as they challenged the Gamecocks in every meter of the pool. Junior Rokas Cepulis dominated all breaststroke events as he set a pool record in the 100-meter breaststroke (56.73) and won the 200-meter breaststroke (2:05.49).

Teammate Attila Kiraly added a boost with the only other Pirates victory with a time of (1:50.54) in the 200-meter backstroke. Eventually



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The undefeated Lady Pirate swimming team set records against the 25th ranked South Carolina Gamecocks en route to five-point victory in Minges Natatorium.

South Carolina swam away with a convincing 191-107 victory.

The split meet moved the Lady Pirates to 2-0 in dual meets so far, while the men fell to 1-1 on the season.

"Today's performance was outstanding on both the men's and women's side," said Head Swimming and Diving Coach Rick Kobe. "It was an extremely fast meet against a top level SEC opponent and we

are ecstatic about the win on the women's side."

In the diving portion, freshman Ashley Sams posted the Pirate's top scores in the one and three-meter springboard with 253.65 and 275.40 to earn third place in both events. Alex Clark would score a 232.35 and finish fourth in the one-meter diving competition. Will Beliveau finished third with a 282.60 in the three-meter springboard as the

Gamecocks swept all four-board events.

Assistant Coach Matthew Jabs was impressed with the Pirates' never-give-up mentality against a talented Gamecocks team Saturday.

The Lady Pirates look to remain undefeated in a double-dual meet against Limestone College and Richmond on Saturday while the men have a chance to climb above .500 in their meet against Limestone.

Despite the Lady Pirates' close victory and the routing that the men received Saturday, Kobe's approach to next Saturday's meet is still very much the same.

"We're just going to train hard right up until the meet time like we did with this meet, and jump on the blocks and see what happens."

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<p><b>Tuesday</b></p> <p>Men's Golf Day 2 Pirate Intercollegiate</p>	<p><b>Thursday</b></p> <p>Women's Soccer Middle Tennessee 7 p.m.</p>	<p><b>Friday</b></p> <p>Women's Tennis ECU Invitational Day One</p>	<p><b>Saturday</b></p> <p>Swimming &amp; Diving 1 p.m.</p> <p>(Away) Football Florida International 6 p.m.</p>	<p><b>Sunday</b></p> <p>Women's Volleyball Middle Tennessee 12 p.m.</p>
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### TAKEAWAYS

**MEN'S GOLF**

The Pirates sit in second place after the first round of the Pirate Intercollegiate.

**CAROLINA PANTHERS**

Cam Newton and the Carolina Panthers beat the Tampa Bay Buccaneers 31-13 on Thursday night.

**WOMEN'S VOLLEYBALL**

ECU lost to Florida Atlantic in five sets Monday night.

**SWIMMING**

The Lady Pirates set a Minges pool record in the 200-meter medley this weekend.

**FOOTBALL**

QB Cody Keith and LB Jeremy Grove are OUT vs FIU. RT Adhem Elswawi is questionable/doubtful with an eye injury.

**ECU BASEBALL**

Fall Prospect Camp is officially open according to head baseball coach Billy Godwin. The ECU baseball staff will host its annual camp Nov. 23-24 at Lewis Field.

**ECU BASKETBALL**

There are 10 days until ECU tips off their season with a game against NC Wesleyan on Nov. 8 inside Minges Coliseum.



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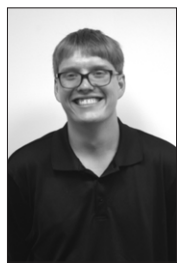
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# Football on the rise in North Carolina



**Josh Graham**  
TEC STAFF

Just over the halfway point of the 2013 college football season, it is clear we may be witnessing one the most historic, yet bizarre years in the state of North Carolina.

Unlike past years, both the Tar Heels and the Wolfpack have struggled mightily in 2013 and have amassed just five wins altogether.

You see where this is going.

Thus far, ECU (5-2) has already won five games by itself. Most notably, it routed UNC, 55-31, for the program's first win at Chapel Hill in 38 years.

Now, the anticipation builds for a match-up between N.C. State and ECU at Carter-Finley Stadium on Nov. 23.

Some are even going as far as naming the game North Carolina's "State Championship." Meanwhile, a team slightly west of North Carolina's state capital objects: the Duke Blue Devils (6-2).

Indeed, the oftentimes-overlooked Blue Devils have the most wins among schools in the state. Most recently, they stunned No. 16 Virginia Tech in Blacksburg for their first win against a ranked opponent since 1971. These same Hokies came into Dowdy-Ficklen Stadium on Sept. 14 and escaped with a tight 15-10 win.

As a result of Saturday's win in Blacksburg, Duke is the first North Carolina school to become bowl eligible. Why is that significant? Before now, Duke had never qualified for bowls in back-to-back seasons. Last year's Belk Bowl was the Blue Devils' first bowl appearance in nearly 20 years (1994).

Although ECU and Duke are not slated to face each other this season, there's always the off chance they could meet during bowl season. State Championship bowl game, anyone? It's hard not to like the sound of that.

Speaking of making history, the Charlotte 49ers (4-4) are in the midst of its inaugural season in football. Granted, being .500 isn't all too sexy, but the program still has until 2015 to work out any growing pains before it joins Conference USA as a football member.

Not to be forgotten, Wake Forest (4-4) nearly joined ECU in the five-win club with an impressive result in Coral Gables, Fla., on Saturday. Instead, the Demon Deacons were left heartbroken after the seventh ranked Miami Hurricanes engineered a game-winning drive in the final minute to prevail, 24-21.

But even in defeat, it is evident that North Carolina has a substantial amount of depth and features potential in each corner of the state. Not only in the college ranks, but in the high school ranks as well. "It shows parity... and it speaks well to our kids that we bring in here at all schools," said McNeill. "Being from here maybe I'm a little bit biased, but it's a great state and I'm proud of all the teams."

With October coming to a close, a portion of the state's attention will begin to shift towards basketball. Understandably so since North Carolina is a state that is notorious for excellence on the hardwood.

At UNC, this would not be a surprising practice given the Tar Heels recent struggles. We're accustomed to hearing these same "just wait until basketball" narratives in Durham as well. But given the success of the Blue Devils, we

haven't heard them coming from Duke's corner.

No matter what you decide to believe, just don't tell ECU defensive coordinator Rick Smith that North Carolina is just a basketball state.

"I totally disagree. If they believe that, show up to this place on Saturday and see 50,000 people," Smith said. "They said Kentucky was a basketball state. One spring game, we had 22,000 there and we averaged about 52,000 every game and we didn't even win. This is a football state, and it's also a very good basketball state."

Even though Jeff Lebo's Pirates are coming off a CIT Championship in April, I'm sure the vast majority of ECU's fan-base would agree. This writer can be contacted at [sports@theeastcarolinian.com](mailto:sports@theeastcarolinian.com).



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ECU is sitting second in the state with a 5-2 record this year.

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win against University of Maryland. They then suffered two hard fought losses to Virginia and N.C. State.

While the Pirates played well throughout the tournament; Reyes knows there needs to be some improvement.

"Communication is going to be a big thing [moving forward], especially with us," said Reyes. "We tend to be a lot more quiet than most teams. I'd like us to be a lot more vocal."

Now that their fall tournament schedule has come to a close, the Pirate club lacrosse team will prepare for their spring season with weekly practices. Once winter break concludes, the Southeastern Lacrosse Conference schedule will heat up with head-to-head matchups throughout the spring.

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# Volleyball loses tight match

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Following a big win Friday against Florida International, the Lady Pirates took on Florida Atlantic Monday night in Minges Coliseum.

The Pirates dominated the first set as they did not allow the Florida Atlantic Owls to take the lead in the set. They won the set 25-17 in impressive fashion. The Owls net play greatly improved in the second set, making it much tougher on the Pirates to pick up points. FAU came out strong and took a big lead despite a great comeback by ECU, the ladies dropped the set 25-21.

With the matchup tied at one, the Owls took an early lead in the third set, leading by seven at one point. However, the resiliency of the Lady Pirates showed as they took the set 25-20 with impressive play by Torre Blake, who had five kills in her first set of the night.

"It's tough for a player like her to come off

the bench, but she has filled that role very well," said Head Coach Julie Torbett.

Florida Atlantic pulled out to the lead in the fourth set before the Pirates battled back to tie the set midway through. The Owls pulled away at the end of the set though and eventually clinched the 25-21 win.

With the match tied up at two apiece, the fifth set was a battle and saw four ties and two lead changes before the Owls took the set, 15-10. With the fifth set victory, FAU finished their comeback to take the match as well.

"This was a must-win for us, and we didn't win," said Torbett. "We outplayed them all over the stat sheet, but the result was not there."

For the full recap of the weekend matches, check online at [theeastcarolinian.com](http://theeastcarolinian.com).

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## SOCCER

# Pirates head towards finale

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With ECU's soccer season approaching the end of the schedule, the Pirates have turned up the intensity a notch to finish with a bang.

Despite going through a mid-season slump, the Pirates bounced back with three consecutive conference wins before playing to a tie with Rice.

In Sunday's tie at Rice, the Pirates reached double overtime for the fifth match this season and as a result finished in a 2-2 tie. The Pirates dominated early against the Rice Owls, holding a 12-6 shot advantage while scoring the first goal late in the first half.

Stephanie Seagrave scored in the 43rd minute after she received a cross from defender Haley Patsey.

Rice tied the match just minutes into the second half, the game went back into stalemate mode until Kendall Frey netted a perfect pass

from Lexi Miller in the 74th minute.

The Owls tied things up at two goals in the 84th minute after the Pirate defense could not defend a cross that ended up in the back of the net.

The Pirates recorded 24 shots in the draw, while Rice wasn't far behind with 22.

The Pirates faced Southern Mississippi on Friday. The Pirates defeated the Golden Eagles on Friday, 1-0, as sophomore striker Kendall Frey scored the game winning goal in the 67th minute of play.

With ECU's third straight win and fifth shutout of the season, the Pirates earned three more points towards Conference USA standings. Before the weekend road trip, the Pirates were fifth place in the division, giving them the final spot in the C-USA tournament, which starts next week in Houston.

The first half of play between the Pirates and Golden Eagles went score-

less. Despite the offensive struggle, ECU dominated in possession and attack, as they recorded six of eight shots on goal.

The Pirate defense kept the Golden Eagles from scoring during their brief momentum shifter. ECU stole all momentum back when Kendall Frey scored her third goal of the season, after receiving a pass from Lexi Miller.

"They came out strong in the second half, but after Kendall's goal, our defensive backs and Saundra Baron were solid the rest of the way," said Head Coach Rob Donnenwirth.

Frey finished with three shots during the contest and Seagrave led the Pirates with four shots, two being on goal. Saundra Baron collected seven saves in her fourth shutout at ECU.

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# Takeaways key for pass defense

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The last few seasons have left Pirate fans wondering what might have been if the secondary played passible football.

Defensive Coordinator Rick Smith, whose area of expertise lies in working with the defensive backs, was hired prior to this season to bring consistency to the unit.

Under Offensive Coordinator Lincoln Riley, the Pirates boast an explosive air-raid offense that scores points in a hurry, so teams will often likewise air it out more than normal to keep up. As a result, ECU is unlikely to be a team that finishes in the top 10 nationally in pass defense, and that shouldn't necessarily be its goal. Stats like takeaways are more important for the aforementioned play style.

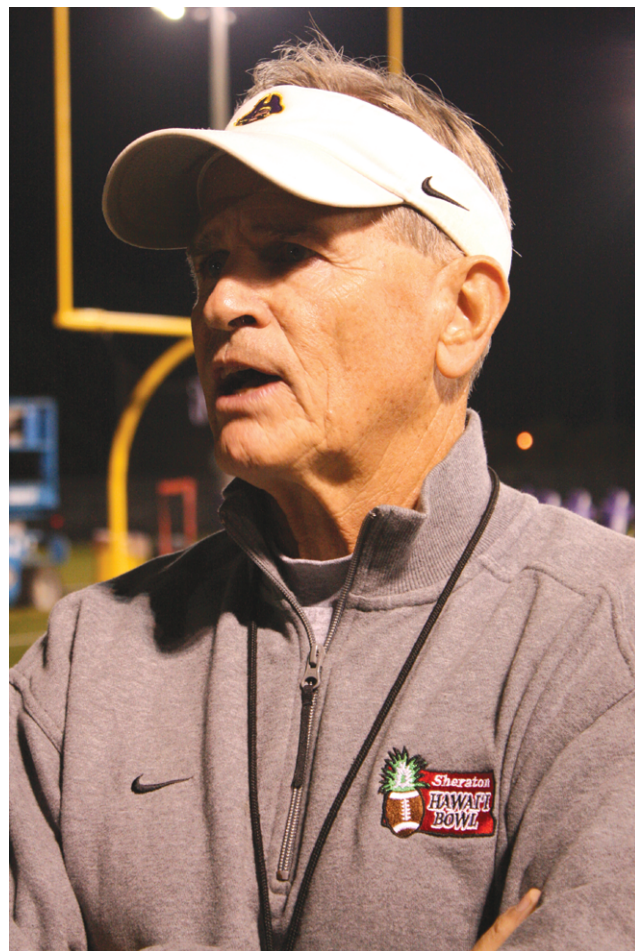
The blueprint for what the Pirates should try to achieve can be found at one of Smith's previous stops—Tulane. In 1998, the Green Wave shattered its school record and racked up 540 total points in an undefeated season. Smith didn't break many records that season, but his unit, which never allowed more than 35 points in a game, proved more than capable of complimenting an offense that averaged 45 points per contest.

"I always look for speed first in recruiting," said Smith regarding the defensive backs. "Hopefully that speed also has some height. I don't like corners that aren't 5-foot-10-inches, I don't worry as much about their weight, but they have to be able to hit you."

This season, the front seven has proved to be the strength of the ECU defense, as they are currently ranked third in the nation in rushing defense, but the run support of safeties Damon Magazu and Chip Thompson has been crucial to that ranking.

The pass defense has struggled somewhat with consistency, as one of the biggest issues in the Pirates' home loss to Virginia Tech was third-and-long coverage. Nonetheless, the defensive back play has improved since last season and is progressing each game.

"They've made great progress," said Smith. "[Senior]



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**Rick Smith (above) has the Pirate secondary focused and in-tune.**

Adonis Armstrong is playing about as well as you can play. Magazu is playing superb, as well as Chip Thompson. You always want [the unit] to play better, but one of our goals is to not allow runs over 15 yards and we've only done that once."

Having senior leaders in the secondary has been huge for this season's results and may continue to pay off, but the Pirates are hoping that the graduation of Magazu, Thompson, Armstrong and safety Michael Dobson won't slow the momentum of progress the unit has made.

"We have a lot of talented guys redshirting right now [in the secondary], and the guys behind the seniors are talented too," said Armstrong. "They're going to be a good core group going forward."

Smith likes what he has seen from younger guys in the unit as well.

"[Corner] Josh Hawkins was playing great before the concussion," Smith said. "I think he may have come back from that a little timid, but he played well last week."

Adding to the depth in the secondary, returning players are key.

"Deshaun Amos, who's playing as a redshirt freshman has gotten better each week

at our nickel position. Lamar Ivey has made great strides. All of these kids will be back next year."

Smith may be encouraged by the progress of the young corners, but he also acknowledges that he will have to make some changes next season due to the graduation of three safeties. Dominique Lennon is projected to be the only safety returning who is currently on scholarship.

"We've got more corners than safeties, so a couple of those guys will have to change positions," said Smith. "I'm probably going to move Deshaun Amos. He's at 180 pounds right now, but we'll get him up to 190. I might move the redshirt freshman [DaShawn] Benton to safety as well."

Through the first seven games last season, the Pirates allowed 1,837 passing yards, while recording five interceptions. Through the first seven games this season, teams have passed for 1,786 yards, and the Pirates have picked off seven throws.

The progression is evident, but Coach Smith and staff are expecting more out of the secondary this season and into the future.

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