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Chris Fuller, freshman recreation and parks management major, checks out at Destination360 in Mendenhall Student Center.

Wheels bring meals to campus

Destination360 options to close in April for renovations

Madison Lawson
TEC STAFF

Adding to the excitement of East Carolina University's new Main Campus Student Center that is predicted to open in October 2018, more than half of the eateries on campus are about to undergo big transformations. From fresh burgers and a 24-hour coffee shop to a full-service Chick-fil-A, ECU Campus Dining hopes to appeal to a wider variety of taste palettes and student schedules starting December.

Destination360, currently located in Mendenhall Student Center, will shut down the last week of April and will not reopen until the new student union opens. Because most of the current eateries in Mendenhall are moving into the new student center, Destination360 will turn half of its space into a bakery and the other half into ECU's catering kitchen. The bakery will supply both dining halls and the new student union with fresh baked goods for those looking to indulge in sweets such as chocolate cake, cookies and more.

"Right now, both the catering kitchen and bakery are located in Todd



Cameron Dixon, sophomore psychology major, picks up food from Chick-fil-A on campus.

Dining Hall and they're a little cramped in there," Joyce Sealey, director of ECU Dining Services said. "We were happy to give them this space for them to spread out."

On Oct. 19, Campus Dining introduced two new food trucks to the growing dining scene. Grid Grub, named after the Greenville neighborhood known as "The Grid," is located on the north side of ECU's campus, between 1st and 5th Street. Grid Grub offers a twist on southern favorites. The other food truck,

Street Eats, suggested by students in a survey last year, cooks up a variety of tacos including chicken, beef and fish with a plethora of toppings. To attract more students, Campus Dining will kick off the makeover with a landing pad located where the old entrance of Joyner Library used to sit, according to Sealey. Construction for the landing pad is set to start over winter break and will be complete around March.

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ECU BOT approve fee, tuition raises

Darby Hubbell
FOR THE EAST CAROLINIAN

The East Carolina University Board of Trustees voted to increase fees and tuition across the institution for undergraduate and graduate students during its most recent meeting, but also struck down a proposal for a sustainability fee.

The BOT met Friday at 9 a.m. at the East Carolina Heart Institute to discuss fee increases for students living on campus, campus recreation and wellness,



La'Quon Rogers

the new student centers along with tuition raises for medical students, according to ECU News Services.

La'Quon Rogers, ECU Student Government Association president said the fee increases will also go to recent construction projects on ECU's campuses, which will include a new life science building, new student services building and new students center.

"Some important highlights, the main things, include the new buildings, but what I think the students are going to be most concerned about are the tuition and fees... One thing students should know is that tuition will not be going up," Rogers said.

According to ECU News Services, next year's fees will introduce a \$45 increase to campus recreation and wellness and student center operations fee for all students.

Student fees will also rise for both student housing and dining, according to ECU News Services. This will include a housing rate increase of 2.6 percent for all residence halls and dining. According to News Services, rates will differ depending on dorm and room type.

Tuition will be rising for both dental and physical therapy graduate students, according to News Services. Dental students will pay an additional \$1,000 toward their tuition and physical therapy student's tuition will increase next year by \$1,380, going from \$12,319 annually to \$13,699.

However, Rogers said the only legislation which failed to get enough votes from the BOT was the proposed \$5 sustainability fee.

"The concern we're more so worried about is not the idea of being a more sustainable campus, but the structure of the committee and how those funds would be used," Rogers said.

SGA also gave an update to the Board on how it is carrying out its focus on service, governance and advocacy. Rogers said he also shared his work with the collegial opioid council and the legislation SGA recently passed.

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ECU freshman identified in campus death

Staff Report
TEC STAFF

The East Carolina University Police Department continues to investigate the death of Simmie "Marie" Byrd, who was found unresponsive in Jarvis Residence Hall last Wednesday.

Byrd, a freshman biology major of Raleigh, North Carolina, was found unresponsive on Nov. 8 by her roommate in their room, according to a statement from ECU News Services. According to the statement, as of Friday ECU Police were investigating the case, but believed there was no foul play.

"No updates yet," said ECU Police Deputy Chief Jason Sugg, in an emailed statement to The East Carolinian. "The last statement put out by ECU is still the most current statement."

"I am deeply saddened by the sudden loss of one of our students. Our thoughts and prayers are with her family and friends," Virginia Hardy, vice chancellor for student



Simmie Byrd

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Junior guard Kentrell Barkley leaps for ball against Temple.

ECU Men's team dominates in opener

Daniel Roberts
TEC STAFF

The East Carolina University men's basketball team won its home opener on Sunday against Coppin State with a convincing 76-50 victory to start off its season 1-0.

With 3,228 people in attendance, the Pirates did not disappoint their fans. The first bucket of the game came off of a steal and emphatic one-handed slam dunk from junior Kentrell Barkley, who finished with a game-high of 14 points and seven rebounds in 20 minutes, but got into foul trouble, which limited his night.

The Pirates never lost the momentum after that dunk and led 40-18 at halftime. Two other players reached double figures in points as junior Isaac Fleming finished with 12 points and four assists, while redshirt freshman Shawn Williams pitched in

another 14 points along with four rebounds, starting off the game 2-2 from beyond the arc. Senior B.J. Tyson and Justin Whatley each contributed eight points to help lead a balanced scoring effort from the entire Pirates' team.

"My first shot going down helped a lot," Williams said. "It also helped my teammates because they felt comfortable passing the ball to me and in turn, I felt comfortable taking the shots, which made the game a lot easier."

While the Pirates did score 76 points, they played great defense throughout, holding Coppin State to 24.6 percent shooting from the field with a three point shooting percentage of 23.1.

"Just knowing that the team loved to run-and-gun and chuck threes was awesome," Fleming said. "We were able to keep them

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Office of Environmental Health & Safety to host discussion following movie ‘Twister’

The East Carolina University Office of Environmental Health and Safety will host a panel discussion about severe weather preparedness following a screening of the movie “Twister.”

“Twister: Preparing for the dark side of nature #ECUReady” is an event which supports to the StormReady initiative, which focuses on community storm preparedness.

The event will be held today in the Science and Technology Building, room C309 starting at 5 p.m.

The movie will lead into a panel discussion which will focus on the effects of severe weather and how to prepare ahead of time.

Study Abroad Information Session to give students look at travel options

East Carolina University will give students a chance to learn more about study abroad opportunities today at 4 p.m. in the International House.

The information session will take place in the conference room of the International House. This event will give students a look at the various study abroad programs offered by departments at ECU.

If anyone has more questions about this event, they can reach out to the Office of Global Affairs to speak to someone about the program.

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Entrepreneurial challenge continues

Taylor Nishimoto
FOR THE EAST CAROLINIAN

The second round of the Pirate Entrepreneurship Challenge will take place Wednesday at the Greenville Hilton as selected East Carolina University students and alumni from the first round will have the opportunity to present their new innovative ideas to a panel of judges.

David Mayo, a teaching instructor from ECU’s Miller School of Entrepreneurship, said on Oct. 17, 57 teams presented their ideas. Only 12 were chosen to move on to the second round.

Six teams were chosen to move on by a panel composed of faculty member, while the other six teams were chosen by the student body, Mayo said.

The second round will take place from 5 to 7 p.m. and will consist of the 12 teams chosen to move on.

“The teams will have five minutes to present their idea to a panel of judges who will then select a team they would like to work with from now until the final competition in February,” Mayo said.

The final round of the Pirate Entrepreneurship Challenge will be held on Feb. 22 in Harvey Hall in the Murphy Center near Dowdy-Ficklen Stadium from 2 to 5 p.m. There will be a prize of \$12,500 for the team in first place. Second place will be awarded \$5,000, and the team which falls in third place



The East Carolina University Miller School of Entrepreneurship is leading the Pirate Entrepreneurship Challenge.

v will receive \$2,500, Mayo said.

Mayo said the competition is really about how motivated an individual is. He added, if an individual has an idea and really wants to excel, with hard work, he or she is capable of taking it to the next level.

“The purpose of the competition is to generate a lot of excitement about entrepreneurship around the campus and to show that it’s not just about business or engineering discipline, but really anyone can have a dream and execute it and become successful,” Mayo said.

Mayo said he believes the assistance the team can receive from the judges in between the second and final round will be tremendously beneficial.

“We want to provide some coaching and experience to help get some of these products and

startups ready to launch,” Mayo said. “That is kind of what will happen in between the second and final round.”

He said the event will also financially help the students who participate.

“We want to provide some funding to help those students to be able to launch those businesses,” Mayo said.

Mayo said after the final round, The Miller School of Entrepreneurship will seek regional and national level competitions for the finalists to participate in.

Magus Pereira, a senior computer science major, was one of the 12 people who made it to the second round. Pereira has been working on a project called “Cluster Duct,” which creates an ad hoc network for areas which are

affected by natural disasters.

Pereira said the project will be extremely beneficial for those who are trapped in their home during a natural disaster such as a hurricane.

“Our ducts would allow them a temporary network not only to contact responders, but also their loved ones,” Pereira said.

He said this challenge has really helped him with his idea and provided a positive environment to work in as an inventor.

“We feel like The Miller School of Entrepreneurship has really invested in this challenge to uphold this entrepreneurship culture,” Pereira said. “It has allowed students to think creatively and out of the box in order to find innovative solutions.”

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In a statement from the university to the ECU community, notifying it of the death, Hardy joined ECU Chancellor Cecil Staton in “offering our condolences to her family and friends during this difficult time.”

Marina Hobday, a freshman geology major, said it was “very

traumatic” to lose Byrd. Hobday said she was friends with Byrd and lived down the hall from her. She said everyone was close in Jarvis, because it is a leadership Living Learning Community.

“We would talk regularly, and we would always be snapping each other,” Hobday said. “She always told me I was someone she looked up to, so it was a very special relationship, and she was a very special girl.”

In honor of Byrd’s death, her

friends held the “I Exist” protest to bring attention to mental health. On Thursday, Hobday organized a group of Byrd’s friends to join her by ECU’s cupola to stand on the brick wall in honor of Byrd’s memory.

Hobday said she used the phrase “I Exist” because every student should be given a voice and the university should listen to them. Hobday added part of the reason for her protest was in memory of Byrd, who she said would have been

proud of the protest.

“I put ‘I Exist,’ because sometimes when we are living, we do kind of exist, but we feel like we are just moving through life and we are just a number,” Hobday said. “But when I say I exist, I am not just a number, I really am an individual. I am here, and we exist also not just as an individual, but as a community.”

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“ Some important highlights, the main things, include the new buildings, but what I think the students are going to be most concerned about are the tuition and fees... One thing students should know is that tuition will not be going up. ”

- La’Quon Rogers

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The legislation passed included AR (Assembly Resolution) 2, which was cited as “The Banner System Preferred Name Modification Resolution,” which stated the Banner system currently in use was unequipped to allow LGBTQ students to add their preferred names or pronouns on internal university documents, Rogers said.

Rogers said the AR 3, cited as “The Gender Neutrality Resolution,” dealt

with the encouragement of the utilization of Gender Neutral Language at ECU by students, faculty and administration. Both Rogers and ECU Chancellor Cecil Staton said the impact of creating a more welcoming and inclusive environment is a top priority of theirs.

The next BOT meeting will be held after the new year on Feb. 15-16.

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Bone Appetit
Basil's
11 a.m.

Art is Good Medicine
Emerge
6:30 p.m.

Open Studio Paint Party
Crossbones
7 p.m.

**Can U Toss Cornhole
Tournament**
Pitt Street Brewing
Company
7 p.m.

**Magic the Gathering -
Standard Showdown!**
Blue Ox Games
7 p.m.

Trivia
Carolina Ale House
8 p.m.

TOMORROW

**Study Abroad
Blood Drive**
Mendenhall Student
Center
11 a.m.

ECU Yoga Series
Student Recreation
Center
5:30 p.m.

**Art Means Business:
Social Media for the
Working Artist**
Emerge
6 p.m.

**YuGiOh! - Weekly
Wednesday Event**
Blue Ox Games
6 p.m.

Charity Pub Run
Uptown Brewing
Company
6 p.m.

**Magic the Gathering -
Booster Draft**
Blue Ox Games
7 p.m.

Trivia Night
Kickback Jack's
7 p.m.

Comedy Pitt Open Mic
Pitt Street Brewing
Company
8 p.m.

SAB to show 'Justice League'

Angel De Jesus
TEC STAFF

The Student Activities Board at East Carolina University will bring the “Justice League” to campus for students who need saving tomorrow at 9:30 p.m. This is part of SAB’s pre-screenings that give students the opportunity to see movies before they are released publicly and “Justice League” could possibly be SAB’s biggest one yet.

“I was really surprised that we got this movie to be shown” Kendra Lloyd, SAB films chair, said. “This has such a big following and it’s awesome that we can show this.”

Lloyd said most pre-screenings are allowed to be shown at ECU and college campuses in general because film studios seek them out. “The company that makes or produces the film usually will contact ECU and give us a date of when we can show it,” Lloyd said.

SAB usually brings one pre-screening each semester to Hendrix Theatre such as “Krampus,” “Get Out” and most recently “Happy Death Day.” Lloyd said past screenings have always brought out a lot of people and are a fun time.

“The last screening we had was “Happy Death Day.” That movie was hilarious,” Lloyd said. “I think that a lot of students are going



Kendra Lloyd

to have fun seeing this one too.”

Comic book film lover Ryan Sandlin, a senior university studies major, said he is surprised that Warner Brothers was willing to show a special screening of this movie at ECU.

“That’s just such a big company and you would think pre-screenings for a blockbuster like this would be for big cities,” Sandlin said. “It is really awesome though and I will definitely be in line as soon as tickets are available.”

Tickets were available yesterday at the Central Ticket Office in Mendenhall Student Center for students wanting to beat the line tomorrow.

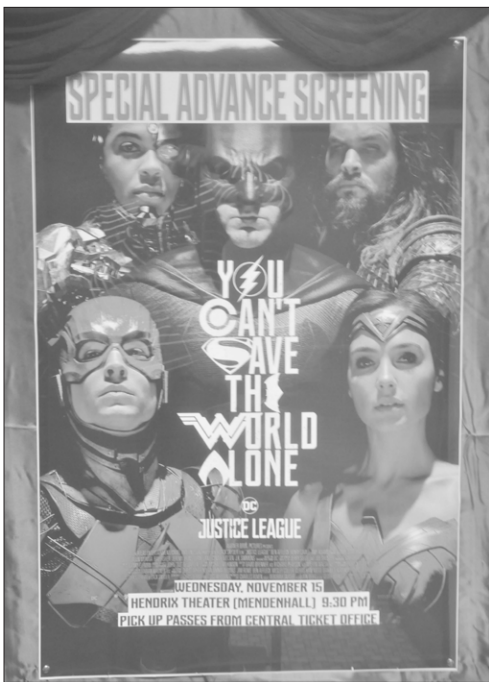
McKenzie Shelton, a current graduate student getting her master’s degree at ECU, thinks there is more to it than just having fun pre-screenings at a college campus.

“It wouldn’t surprise me if they’d been having internal issues for a while that affected their ability to generate income,” Shelton said. “Buzzfeed recently released an article about sexual harassment allegations against their top editor.”

Shelton added ECU’s growth over the past few years has contributed to more opportunities for students to enjoy a variety of things on campus.

“But also we’re generating more money as an institution,” Shelton said. “So it makes sense that we’re bringing in bigger entertainment offerings.”

While ECU Film Club president Jeremy



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"Justice League" film poster displayed at ECU.

Murray is happy with the showing of “Justice League,” he thinks there are ways to show more variety in the future.

“It would be really cool if they continue to do this in the future,” Murray said. “And possibly start showing some indie films that don’t get a wide release.”

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Diadié Bathily, a West African dancer, teaches a West African dance class to students at East Carolina University.

West African dancer teaches ECU students

Amanda Shea
TEC STAFF

Standing at the front of Messick’s Black Box theatre, accompanied by a steady drum beat, was Diadié Bathily, teaching East Carolina University students the uniqueness of West African dance last Wednesday.

He came to ECU as part of a series of events organized by the religious studies program. Joseph Hellweg, the 2017 David Julian and Virginia Suther Whichard Distinguished Professor in the Humanities, reached out to Bathily to bring him to ECU.

As the artistic director of Afriky Lolo Dance Company in St. Louis, Missouri, Bathily took time to come speak with ECU students. Though Bathily was only in Greenville for one week, he said he wanted to expose ECU students to a culture they may not normally be exposed to.

“So, in my mind, I’m always trying to figure out, first of all, what to teach, which level (of dance) and how am I going to break it down? It can be about the music and can be about the dance,” Bathily said. “The fact that people are not exposed to African culture or African countries, or the fact of Africa being colonized by Europeans, we try to add all that education that we can—not just the dancing—and also to explain to them that Africa is diverse.”

Hellweg said he originally met Bathily while doing fieldwork in

Côte d’Ivoire.

“In the 1990s...I ended up working in Africa and someone recommended I take his dance class,” Hellweg said. “We stayed in touch and—my first job in the U.S. after I finished my fieldwork in Côte d’Ivoire was at the University of Missouri in St. Louis. A professor there was organizing a program to educate grade school kids, high school students and college students about Africa, and I said, ‘If you want to teach about Africa, you have to teach African dance,’ and they had the money to bring Diadie.”

Though Hellweg was just one of many to help bring Bathily to ECU, Bathily accepted the offer.

“He (Hellweg) asked me if I wanted to come teach during the school year and I said, ‘Yeah, I’d like to check my schedule and make it happen. I’ve never been to Greenville before, so I’d like to come and give some workshops,’” Bathily said.

Even before coming to the United States, Bathily said dance was a large part of his life since he was young.

“I believe that dance chooses you, in my case,” he said. “Some people choose to do dance, but when I started to dance— I don’t even remember— so I feel like I’ve been chosen by dance. I’ve been dancing since I was little and I always pursued dance.”

As advice for people who want to become dancers, Bathily

said it requires a certain amount of strength that people often don’t realize.

“I think you have to be really strong about what you want to do and then, work it around to make it happen because nothing is easy, dancing is not easy to pursue as a career, and in Africa, dance is part of life, but being able to dance for a living is hard for them to understand, and it’s not only Africa,” he said. “Dancing is not easy, but you have to be strong about what you want to do and then make it happen.”

In teaching West African dance, Bathily said he has to break down the movements and teach each student in a way they can relate to it, whether he’s teaching ballet dancers or beginners.

“What we do in general, is expose students to the music,” Bathily said. “We build kind of a warm up based in ballet movement technique about isolation, and also with African to come up with a kind of design which is good for West African dance...By doing that whole process, it is teaching them, at least, the idea of the music and then the dance.”

Hellweg said ECU wouldn’t have had the chance to bring Bathily in as a guest teacher if it wasn’t for the Wichard family, who have helped fund the Whichard Professorship in the Humanities at ECU.

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“The landing pad will be a parking lot where the food trucks will be able to pull up,” Sealey said. “It will also be accompanied by a bunch of seating and an area for students to hang out and eat. The trucks will split their time between Wright Plaza and the landing pad on central campus.”

In addition, Sealey said a third food truck is predicted to arrive in the spring and will offer typical American cuisine including burgers, fries and shakes, which will add even more diverse and quick meal options for students on the go.

“We realize that students need something quick between classes, but they also want something that’s good and hot and that’s what we’re aiming to provide with these trucks. We’ve been able to get the ticket times below four minutes, which is amazing and convenient for many,” Sealey said.

Another project ECU Dining is working on is with The Galley, that resides in the first level of Jones Residence Hall on College Hill. The Galley is ready to undergo its renovations during spring break 2018. Sealey said while they still plan on keeping the P.O.D and Subway intact, everything else in the eatery is getting gutted. The walls will be expanded to meet the outside overhang, creating more space for the new 24-hour coffee shop and Smash-burger-type restaurant. The Galley’s renovations are estimated to finish in August 2018 for the start of the fall semester.

In the new student center, there will be a combination of new restaurants and oldies including a Raising Cane’s chicken restaurant, a small sweets and ice cream shop, Panda Express, Starbucks, another sit down restaurant which has not been named and an Au Bon Pain, which serves sandwiches and soups.

Chick-fil-A in the Croatan, which will be the only Chick-fil-A on campus after the start of Destination360 renovations, is expanding to offer the entire menu, including the customer-favorite creamy milkshakes. Sealey also said the counter will be belly-up, just like it is at all other Chick-fil-A locations, where one can order and pay at the same counter. This expansion is said to start this summer and reopen in August before students return for the fall semester.

“We know it’s going to be an adjustment, but we’re holding off as long as possible while still trying to have everything completed by next fall,” Sealey said. “Yes we’re taking stuff away, but I truly think we’re giving better stuff back.”

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OUR VIEW

Mental health must remain ECU’s focus

Mental health is a taboo topic whether the community will acknowledge that fact or not, but with student-prompted events such as Thursday’s “I Exist” protest organized to raise mental health awareness in minorities and annual campus events such as Fresh Check Day, East Carolina University has committed to helping those suffering from mental health illnesses and has taken the necessary steps to stop a growing problem.

Many members of ECU’s community have been touched by mental illness in some shape or form. Mental health has become a growing topic of discussion in recent years, as more Americans seem to become affected by this devastating illness.

In a recent survey by the Association for University and College Counseling Center Directors, “95 percent of college counseling center directors surveyed said the number of students with significant psychological problems is a growing concern in their center or on campus.”

We, the editorial staff of The East Carolinian, believe it’s important for ECU to make a stronger effort in confronting mental illness and helping those who are suffering.

ECU should, however, be commended for its efforts in supporting students mental health, from its offering of counseling services on campus to events sponsored by ECU’s Division of Student Affair and ECU’s Center of Civic Leadership and Engagement.

Thanks to ECU’s commitment to discuss a taboo topic, the students this newspaper proudly serves have a chance to seek the help they need and live a happy, successful life.

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Capitol Hill must change Reform of gun laws must be political priority



Bless The Press

Filling our headlines and social media feeds once again Nov. 5 was the breaking news of a mass shooting in Sutherland Springs, Texas, the likes of which the state has never seen.

Claiming the lives of 20 individuals in a place of worship, this tragedy joins a prolonged list as the 531st mass shooting to happen in 2017 and the 29th mass shooting that took place in November alone, according to the Mass Shooting Tracker website.

Following the breaking news of the tragedy in Texas, there was a mass outpouring of tweets from those on Capitol Hill. Each repetitive in nature and condolence, there was a common phrase in many of the tweets that constituents found and took issue with: “thoughts and prayers.”

While these lawmakers are offering up thoughts and prayers, donations from the National Rifle Association are still flooding into their pockets. Senators John McCain, Marco Rubio and even Vice President Mike Pence were among the many politicians who sent their prayers to those affected by the Las Vegas and Texas shootings. However, their pockets tell a different narrative.

Pence received \$25,600 from the NRA for campaign contributions and in 2016, spent more than \$30 million on campaign



Vice President Mike Pence speaks at a memorial service following the Texas shooting on Nov. 8.

ads with help from the NRA. Rubio has received \$14,850 from the NRA for campaign contributions and was helped by the NRA for campaign ads, spending \$3.2 million just last year. McCain, a Republican with a history of bipartisanship, has received \$19,400 from the NRA for campaign contributions so far this year.

After Sandy Hook took the lives of 20 children and 6 faculty members in 2012, Connecticut Senator Chris Murphy filibustered on the Senate floor for hours, pleading for more gun laws passed to prevent future tragedies. Nothing was done, and then Orlando came.

After Orlando took the lives of more than 50 individuals at Pulse Nightclub in 2015, moments of silence were held and no laws were passed. After that, came Las Vegas.

After Las Vegas beat Orlando in terms

of being the highest death toll in the history of mass shooting in the U.S., we were told that now isn't the time. Days later, came Texas.

Now, here we are, left in the wake of Texas with more questions than answers.

Actions of few can speak louder than the thoughts of many. Gun control shouldn't be solely a left or right issue, but a human issue. Would the God that received our prayers be proud of the nation we are? Will the victims of gun violence be brought back to life if we kept them in our thoughts? No. But the next potential ones may. If only our legislators took a look at our gun laws today.

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Sexual assault sees no color



Jeremiah David
GUEST COLUMNIST

#MeToo: a hashtag that has spawned a social movement where women and young girls can speak out about sexual assault and harassment. In the wake of the allegations of sexual harassment and assault against the infamous film director Harvey Weinstein, each day, we are learning more and more about the horrors many women face in our world. The modern woman has the social pressures of sitting pretty, speaking when told to and working countless hours on certifications and expertise only to become second fiddle to their less-qualified male counterparts. In 2017, where sexism is still alive and kicking, sexual harassment has crept its way into the workplace and into different safe spaces where women can find comfort.

As the power of the hashtag continues and more predators are being ousted, one question remains: What about the black women? It is easy nowadays to use race as a divisive tool, however, the voices of black

women aren't being heard or being taken seriously. Academy Award winner Lupita Nyong'o made headlines a few weeks back, joining the social movement speaking out about her chilling encounter with Weinstein. She followed the lead of many other white female actresses revealing the disgusting tactics of bullying used by the producer. Unlike the others, her accusations were quickly shot down by the producer himself, as he called her a “liar” and claimed the accusations to be untrue.

Is it really that easy to dismiss her claims? Have we become a society that chooses which victims we want to rally around based on the race? The popular opinion would suggest since they were white women who fell victim to such horrendous acts, it is the ideal thing to call out, shame and punish the predators. In 2015, Bill Cosby became public enemy number one when a slew of women (mostly white) came forward to reveal the sickening and inexcusable behavior of Cosby. Once he was called out, his name was tarnished and all his accolades were stripped away from him. Yet, I wonder, would he have been ousted if the women were black?

While our attention was focused on

Cosby and the assaults that took place decades ago, an Oklahoma City Police officer, Daniel Holtzclaw, became bored with the monotony of fighting crime and decided to pick up a precarious hobby. He would later be convicted of intimidating and raping several women (mostly black) and would be sentenced to 262 years in prison. He went six months preying on poor and defenseless women while on duty without anyone batting an eye until numerous women came forward.

As I stated earlier, this is not a piece written to minimize the voices of white female victims at all. I strongly believe that any women that are harassed verbally, physically, emotionally and mustered up the courage to speak out shouldn't have their voices silenced. #MeToo is a very powerful way for women to speak up and call out the men or women that assault or harass them. The point I wanted to make is we need to also include the voices of black women or any other minorities.

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Graduate student Austin Teague, sprints out of the tunnel on Military Appreciation night against Tulane University in an overtime loss, 31-24.

Pirate football falls short

Tyler Gavin
TEC STAFF

East Carolina University’s football team (2-8, 1-5 AAC) showed valiant effort and clawed its way into overtime, but couldn’t finish the deal and fell to Tulane University, 31-24.

This was the first overtime for ECU since 2013, which also came against Tulane, and things got off to a tough start. The Pirates forced the Green Wave into a fourth-and-one situation and appeared to have forced Tulane (4-6, 2-4 AAC) into a field goal situation, but it elected to go for the first down conversion. Tulane quarterback Jonathan Banks faked the handoff and scampered 16-yards around the left side, walking into the end zone untouched to give Tulane the lead in the extra frame. Needing a touchdown and the extra point to extend the game to a second overtime frame, the Pirates’ offense went to work.



Hussein Howe
ECU running back Hussein Howe broke off two strong runs that carried the team down to the seven yard line in just two plays. Then, after a pass interference call, ECU had four cracks to get just three yards. After two one-yard runs and an incomplete pass, it was fourth down from inside the one-yard line with the game on the line. ECU head coach Scottie Montgomery and offensive coordinator Tony Peterson

dialled up a handoff to running back Darius Pinnix right up the middle, but he failed to gain the yard and the game ended in true heartbreaking fashion.

“We trust Darius. We practice these goal line situations, of course, and Darius is the guy,” ECU head coach Scottie Montgomery said. “We thought we had it game ready and I have to look at it on tape to see exactly what went on in there but we have to be able to get half a yard.”

The Pirates defense was the story of the game after causing three turnovers, two on back-to-back drives that set the ECU offense up inside the Tulane 30-yard line. However, Gardner Minshew, who shouldered the load of quarterback this game, and the rest of the offense failed to move the ball on either occasion and had to settle for just three points.

“We were able to get some major turnovers in the second half and our defense needed that feeling,” Montgomery said. “Offensively, I didn’t feel like we played particularly well throughout the game.”

The offense started well when it was faced with having to drive 89-yards to tie the game and just two minutes and 40 seconds to do so. The Pirates used a bunch of short gains to methodically march down Dowdy-Ficklen and reached Tulane’s 19-yard line but faced a crucial fourth down again with just one minute remaining.

Needing just five yards, the Pirates called another pass play. Wide receiver Jimmy Williams struggled to run his route, battling a serious ankle injury that’s been

nagging the captain for weeks now, falling down twice on the route but managed to snag Minshew’s pass for his longest catch of the game: 10 yards and a first down. After a long review, the play was confirmed and on the very next play, Minshew hit Farrier from nine yards away for a shoe-string touchdown to tie the game.

“They both made great plays,” Minshew said. “Jimmy’s catch, man, that was unreal. Then Deondre ran an incredible route and made a tough catch in the corner of the end zone and ran into the bushes. I was really glad for those guys to make plays.”

Tulane was able to come out with the victory behind it’s run game. The Green Wave entered the game averaging 235 rushing yards per game, but eclipsed that by almost 100 yards, totaling 325 on the night. Running back Dontrell Hilliard ran for 189 yards on 28 carries, finding the end zone on twice.

The biggest problem was how easily the Green Wave rushers were reaching the second level. Korrin Wiggins and the secondary was needed to step up.

“They do a lot of motions and try and play with your eyes,” Wiggins said. “You have to be very disciplined to play this team and that was pretty much the hardest thing to prepare for.”

ECU will play its final home game of the season next Saturday against the University of Cincinnati (3-7, 1-5 AAC) at noon, for senior night.

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>> VOLLEYBALL

ECU sweeps Memphis, loses Wichita

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The East Carolina University volleyball team completed its season sweep over Memphis University on Sunday after regrouping from a loss to No. 20 Wichita State Friday.

The Pirates (19-10, 10-6 AAC) were able to check off their second goal of the weekend, defeating the Tigers (9-19, 2-14 AAC) in three straight sets, 25-23, 28-26, 25-23. The Pirates also defeated the Tigers on Oct. 20 in three sets, giving the Pirates the 6-0 set sweep on the season.

ECU saw solid play on both offense and defense from middle hitters Natalie Montini and Toya Osuegbu, who added 15 kills and 11 kills respectively. They also combined for seven of the team’s 11 blocks.



Natalie Montini
Coming off of one of its toughest performances of the season, Montini said ECU’s win over Memphis proved her team is a resilient group that will not quit.

“I think it says a lot about us, that we are not going to give up just after a bad performance, and we are going to come out and give it our all,” Montini said. “Overall, it showed we are really gritty and we are determined to do better this season.”

Pirates’ head coach Julie Torbett said she was proud of the way both Montini and Osuegbu played and added their play wouldn’t have been possible without the great play from Martin.

“I thought the middles played really well, and you have got to be able to pass well to be able to run the middles,” Torbett said. “We have a freshman setter, and I thought she did a really good job of taking those maybe riskier sets a little bit, and the middles were up, and she found them.”

The Pirates opened the weekend with a tough task ahead of them, facing a Wichita State (23-3, 15-0 AAC) team that has lost just three matches all season, none of which came from its American Athletic Conference opponents.

ECU fell in straight sets Friday (25-13, 25-16, 25-14). ECU was unable to match up to the height of the Shockers and its hitting percentage reflected it— .108 compared to the .400 hit of Wichita State. ECU also fell to the same Wichita State team in three sets on Oct. 22.

Torbett said she believed her team played better against the Shockers their first time around, but acknowledged that as one of the top teams in the country.

“They are loaded, they have a great setter, and they’ve been used to winning for a long time,” Torbett said. “It is tough to play against a team like that, but I feel like we could have played better against them.”

The Pirates will look to build off their sweep of Memphis as they travel to take on the University of Houston on Nov. 20 as they look to clinch their fourth-20-win-season in program history.

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BASKETBALL

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at our pace and not try to go shot for shot with them.”

Out of the 40 total minutes, the Pirates only trailed for 24 seconds and led for the remaining 37:36. The biggest lead for ECU was 27 points and the Pirates outscored Coppin State in the paint 36-8 and 36-22 in bench points.

The victory over Coppin State made it ECU’s 18 straight 1-0 start, with its last loss coming on Nov. 19, 1999 at Robert Morris University where it fell 58-53. The margin of victory for the Pirates during this streak is 20.9 points, while the past 12 of those victories have come at home.

“Defensively, I thought we did a good job,” head coach Jeff Lebo said. “I was worried about our defense because of Coppin State’s ability to shoot outside the perimeter. It was a odd game for our post guys to play defensively when it came to guarding the smaller guys, but we made it difficult for them to get open looks. Thought it was a good team effort overall.”

After dominating in the first game of the season, Lebo and the Pirates look to bring that same type of intensity into its next matchup against Radford University.

ECU has played Radford eight times and leads the series 5-3 all-time, winning the past three times it matched up.

“I think Radford will be a different type of game for us,” Lebo said. “We will have to get ready with one day of preparation because we have to have a mandatory NCAA day off tomorrow which always concerns me. I have a lot of respect for its coach, he does a good job and they will execute and defend.”

The game against Radford will be on Wednesday at 7 p.m. in Minges Coliseum.

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Women’s basketball set for UNCW

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East Carolina University’s women’s basketball team will hit the road tomorrow to take on the University of North Carolina at Wilmington at 7 p.m.

The Pirates saw themselves roaring back from a 10-point halftime deficit in their season



Heather Macy
opener against the University of South Carolina Upstate as they came away with a 66-53 win with intense defense and quick transition buckets from players like Raven Johnson and Thais Oliveira.

The Seahawks are also 1-0 to start the season coming off a 73-64 victory against the University of North Carolina at Pembroke Sunday afternoon. Seahawk’s guard Madison Raque led all scorers with 24 points on

8-14 (57.1 percent) from the field and 5-10 (50 percent) from three point range. According to head coach Heather Macy, the intensity on the defensive end will have to pick up for the entire game, especially when guarding the perimeter.

“I was shocked with the lack of defensive intensity in the first half against USC Upstate because it’s the expectation for the entire game,” Macy said. “UNCW shoots the three ball very well so that’s going to be a key statline if we can keep them off the three point line.”

Johnson played a major part in Friday’s win against the Spartans as nine of her 21 points came in the fourth quarter, including five straight points to give the Pirates breathing room when the Spartans cut the lead to one. Johnson’s 21 points came of an efficient 60 percent shooting from the field and an impressive 7-8 (87.5 percent) from the free



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Sophomore guard Raven Johnson dribbles ball down court in opener.

throw line, while the rest of the Pirates went 9-19 (47.4 percent).

Johnson said she will have to maintain that aggressive to give her team a better chance of winning.

“We have to make sure we come out strong and sustain our energy the entire game and just come out like it’s the first quarter every time,” Johnson said. “We’re all a family, so if I feel that someone is struggling I’ll try to bring

energy in any way to help lift my teammates up.”

Not only did Oliveira record a career high in points, she also grabbed a career high 13 rebounds and notched her first career double-double. Oliveira was also a huge impact on the defensive end with four steals and two blocks.

“Last game definitely helps building confidence as I progress during the season,” Oliveira said.

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Macy announces 2018 team signings

Staff Report
TEC STAFF

East Carolina University women’s basketball head coach Heather Macy announced the 2018 signing class yesterday introducing three new players Tiara Chambers, Nique Cherry and Kaylee Jefferson, who all signed National Letters of Intent to attend ECU and play basketball for the Pirates in the fall of 2018.

“We were very particular with the young ladies that we recruited for the 2018 signing class,” Macy said in a press release from ECU athletics, “These three signees will help our program make another big jump in the 2018-19 season and beyond.”

Chambers is a four-year letterwinner at I.C. Norcom High School in Portsmouth, Virginia, where she led her team to an 18-9 record in 2016 as the Greyhounds won both a conference and region championship.

“Tiara has the ability to have a major impact on both ends of the floor. As a post player, she was highly sought after during the recruiting process and we are fortunate to make her a Pirate,” Macy said.

Cherry, a 6-foot forward from Laurel, Mississippi, was ranked No. 26 as a Junior College recruit by the All-Star Girls Report, and the highest-ranked signee during Macy’s tenure. She led Jones County Junior College in Mississippi to a

30-2 record as freshman.

Jefferson, another 6-foot player from Sulphur Springs, Texas, will be a offensive and defensive threat to the teams she will face in the 2018 season with the Pirates. Jefferson helped Sulphur Springs to back-to-back district championships in 2016 and 2017, earning the offensive MVP award for her team.

“I am so excited to introduce Tiara, Nique and Kaylee to our ECU family,” Macy said. “The three of them already represent what Pirates are all about.”

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LiveSafe app aims to promote safety

Matthew Prensky
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Since the spring of 2016, East Carolina University has been using the mobile safety app LiveSafe in order to protect the students, faculty and other community members who call Greenville, North Carolina, home.

LiveSafe, named for the company which developed the software, is meant to protect the user in the same way an ECU bluelight would. The app has a number of features that allows users to report crimes or tips to police anonymously or virtually track a friend as they walk home at night.

Since the application was launched in April 2016, the university has had aggressive goals for attracting community members to sign up and use the app.

"We hit incoming freshman and incoming transfers pretty hard during orientation time. We had advertisements everywhere, we inserted it in different sections, so I think that piece worked really well," said Continuity and Emergency Planner for ECU, Lauren Mink.

At the end of April, 3160 users had signed up with ECU, according to Mink. That number of users includes students, faculty, staff, parents and community members.

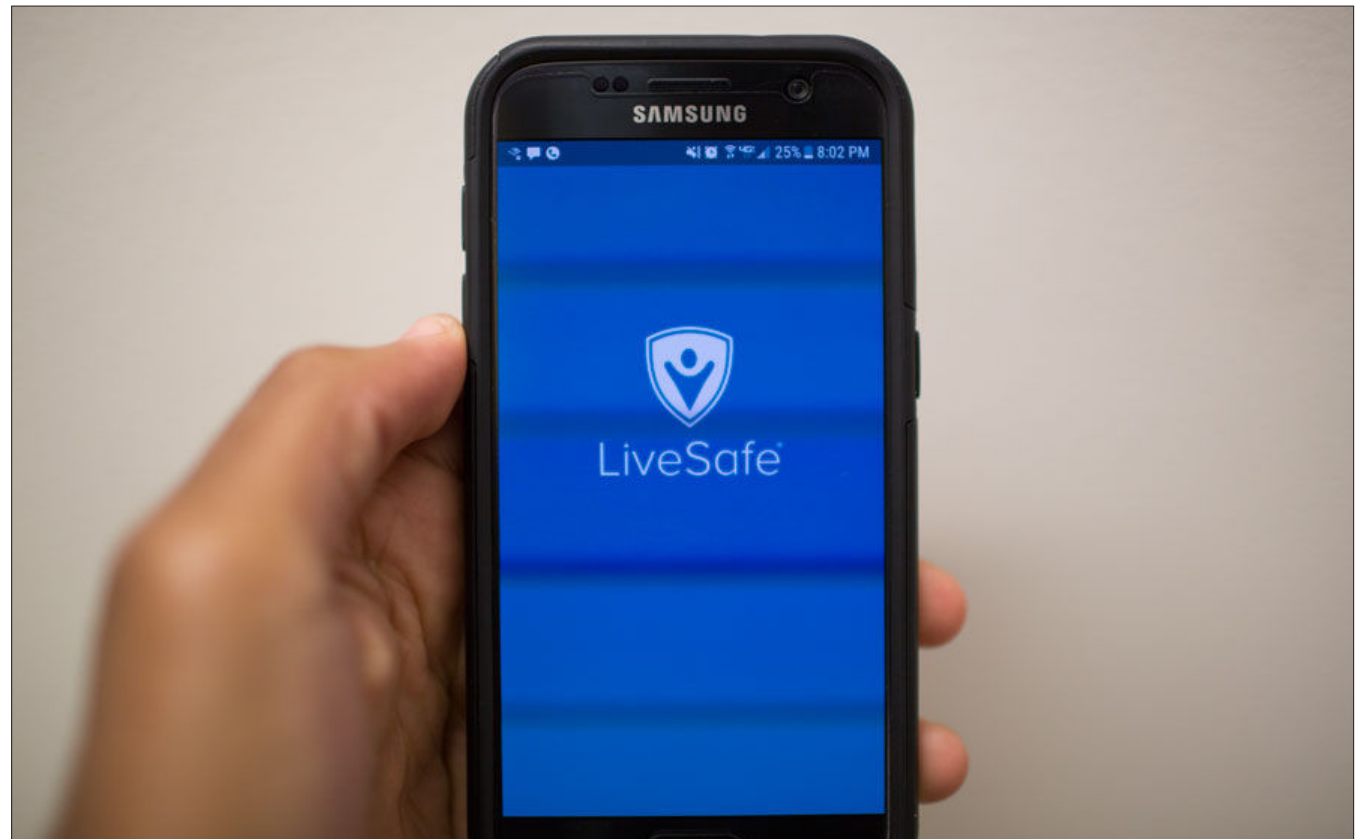
"It has been a little harder with the upperclassmen because there is not one set thing they have to do. With incoming freshman you have the COAD class, you have the health 1000," she said.

In the time LiveSafe has been available at ECU, some parents have taken advantage of the software to stay informed or protect their students.

"We have had a couple of parents that have really loved the app. You can virtually walk your student home, we have had parents report safety checks on their students that way too," Mink said.

The number of users that took advantage of the Safe Walk feature blew Mink away, she said. She did not expect so many people to use the feature while walking at night. The feature sees the majority of its use between 12 a.m. to 4 a.m., said Mink.

According to Mink, the Safe Walk feature is one of the most popular aspects of the app. At the end of April, 1,021



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The LiveSafe safety app is available to student's through their smartphones. The app has been in use by ECU since the spring of 2016.

individuals used the Safe Walk feature to travel throughout campus. Beyond keeping individuals walking late at night around Greenville safe, the university has begun to use some of the Safe Walk data to better identify which pathways on ECU's main campus are traveled and at what time of day. They hope to better tailor future security measures around the data taken from LiveSafe.

A unique feature to the LiveSafe app is the ability for users to report tips or crimes anonymously. When someone is reporting a tip to police, it is completely up to their discretion whether their profile is linked to the information. Mink said the anonymous reporting feature was a major reason why ECU chose LiveSafe to create the app.

"I think we are seeing more stuff come in now that people know you can do it anonymously. I have kind (of) seen this switch lately, people are leaving their profile information up because they are seeing that they are not going to get in trouble for reporting a party or underage

drinking," said Mink.

In just over a year since ECU launched the application, more than 178 tips have been submitted to the ECU Police Department. Of those tips, half them were submitted to police anonymously. The majority of those tips were submitted anonymously by the community and pertained to disturbances, drugs or alcohol and suspicious activity, according to Mink.

To many individuals, location sharing or other personal information is a big concern, but Mink reassures users that their privacy is being protected.

"Nothing about your phone is shared. No personal information is collected," she said. "The university can ask for a subpoena to get information about the person who reported the tip, but only in extreme cases of imminent danger like an anonymous bomb threat."

ECU is currently in a multi-year contract with the company LiveSafe. Mink said since signing the contract, the university has been very satisfied with the

services the LiveSafe has provided.

Carleigh Smith, the implementation consultant with LiveSafe said the history of the app came out of a "tragedy."

"Our co-founder, Kristina Anderson, is a survivor of the Virginia Tech shooting in 2007," said Smith. "She was shot three times. Her classroom was the most fatally wounded and she was the most wounded survivor. It was a horrible experience and she since has dedicated her life to safety."

Smith said that the app explains to users how important it is to have location services enabled while using the app. The company wants users to understand the nature of the app before agreeing to the terms of conditions.

"Safe Walk is our most widely used feature within the app and you have to have the location services turned on for that. App wise, we have a higher percentage than most apps for users enabling location sharing," said Smith.

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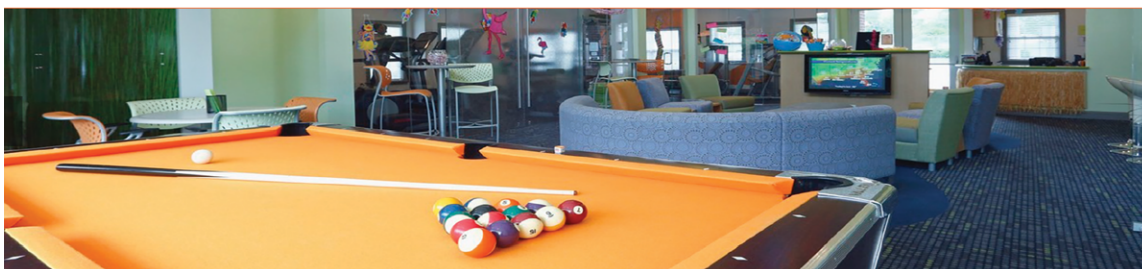


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Due to construction around campus, parking has become increasingly difficult to find. For commuters and students who don't live on the bus route, there are alternative options for parking.

Alternative places to park for commuters

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TEC STAFF

While parking on or near campus for East Carolina University students has become much harder due to the ongoing construction around campus, there are a few places students can make use of.

Most parking on ECU's campus is by permit only. All students, staff and faculty who park on campus are required by ECU to register their vehicle with the Department of Parking and Transportation Services, pay a registration fee and permanently display a valid parking permit on their vehicle.

For students who don't live near enough to walk to campus, they can purchase either the C2 or B4 parking permits; B4 permits are purchased for the Health Sciences Campus. Students

with C2 or B4 permits can park at the Minges Park and Ride lot and ride the bus to campus.

Those who have a B4 permit are allowed to park in the C2 zone on main campus at all times, except overnight. Students who have a C2 permit are not allowed to park in the B4 zone on the Health Sciences until after 3 p.m. but C2 and B4 permit holders are allowed to park in the B1 zones after 5:30 p.m. However, C2 permit holders are not allowed to keep their vehicles in the lot overnight.

From 5 p.m. Friday through midnight Sunday, all student parking permits are valid in student zones including A2, B2, C and D.

Some students, however, prefer to utilize the metered parking offered by ECU or the city of Greenville or park in the

free two-hour spaces located downtown.

According to ECU's Parking & Transportation, ECU offers eight Pay by Space stations located on ECU's main campus and three on the Health Sciences campus. Students can find the main campus stations on College Hill north of Scott Residence Hall, east of Rivers Building, at the intersection of 5th Street and Harding Street, in the parking lot between Jenkins Fine Arts building and Garrett Residence Hall. Over on the Health Sciences Campus, one station is located by the Brody building in SM-1, the other in the B4 lot by Laupus Lake near the Allied Health Building and the last station by the School of Medicine and the Student Rec Center.

"It's weird because there is parking around campus but it's metered. And

sometimes you'll park in a metered space but running between classes you can forget to move your car and get a ticket," Hodan Jama, a junior public health major, said. "If you don't have a parking pass then you're constantly on your toes when it comes to parking."

In addition to the Pay by Space stations, students can also park downtown in the free limited-time spaces. Time limits usually range between 15 minutes to two hours.

"Prices for parking passes are way too high," Steven Howell, a business major said. "Most of the time, I just park downtown and if I get a ticket there, it's only \$5 the first time which isn't as bad as getting a ticket for parking on campus."

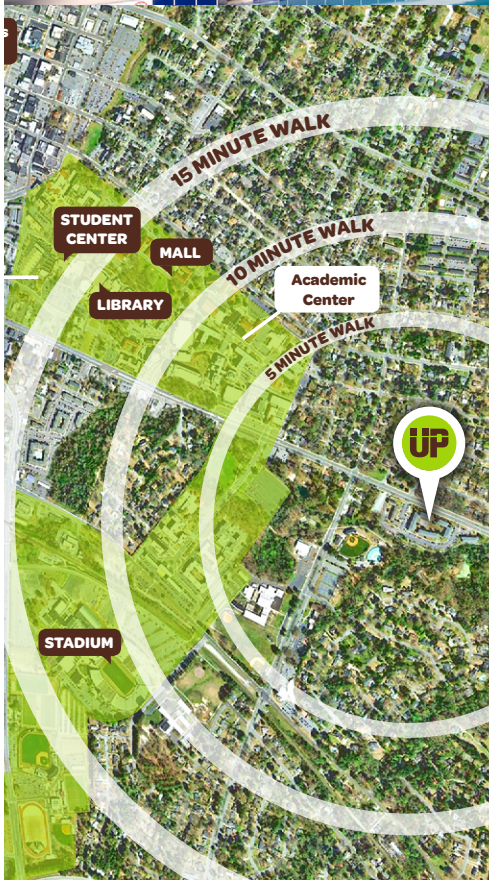
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How to create more space in your place

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As freshman and other students start preparing for their move to apartments and other off-campus housing, excitement surrounds the idea of having more room. While that may be the case, saving space is still essential.

Whether moving to studio apartments, townhomes or even houses, space savers such as detachable shelving, cubbies and hanging shoe holders are helpful. Mackenna Ruby, a current resident at The Davis, said the easiest form of storage is boxes.

"I usually save boxes from big packages that I get. With smaller boxes, you can use them for under your cabinets

to store cleaning supplies," said Ruby, a sophomore hospitality management major. "You can use the boxes that you saved to move out. That way, you don't have to take everything out."

Some students have gotten crafty and used hanging shoe holders in their bathrooms to hold their toiletries. Sites such as Pinterest have offered unusual insights to do-it-yourself projects or even just using existing furniture in a different way than originally intended.

"I get a lot of ideas from Pinterest," Ruby said. "They give you a lot of ideas from the dollar store, so you can always look there and find easy storage ideas."

Ruby says if students are creative when looking for space-saving tips, they won't have to worry about reorganizing

their room throughout the year.

"The best way to organize your things is by knowing what you have and how much of it that you have, and to label everything," Ruby said. "I also have a lot of plastic storage bins with drawers and then use plastic dividers inside of them."

Another common mistake people usually make is buying too many storage boxes instead of being creative.

"Another advantage is to build up, instead of out," Ruby said. "Last year, when I had a smaller bedroom, I maximized the space I had under my bed. I put a lot of bins under my bed--raising your bed and getting storage bins would be the best."

Smart storage even goes beyond your room. Saving space and being organized

in the kitchen can minimize a lot of frustration.

"Maximizing your space is the most important thing," Ruby said. "Our pantry was supposed to be a coat closet, but we put a spice rack on the door and added shelves inside."

Ruby said it's important to stay organized, especially when living with roommates.

"In our pantry, each roommate has a different section and then each shelf is organized by food type," she said. "Take advantage of the space that you have, even if it's a small space."

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Many apartment complexes and dorms offer raised beds. Students can utilize this space for extra storage. Pinterest is another source for students who are looking for DIY space-saving crafts.



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Sophomore Veah Velasco uses her laptop inside her dorm. While some students may choose to live off campus after freshman year, others opt to stay in College Hill Suites or the dorms.

Students share pros, cons of continuing to live on campus after freshman year

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FOR THE EAST CAROLINIAN

Different dining options, on campus events, social outings and much more are all advantages East Carolina University students can look forward to when they choose to live on campus, but this doesn't mean this option is without its disadvantages.

Devlin Lewis, a senior sociology major, lives in College Hill Suites. He said he has lived on campus all four years and likes it because it makes it easy to get around campus "in a fair amount of time," without the need for a bus or car.

Resident advisor for the College Hill Suites, Jodi McDougal, a junior communications major, has lived on campus for three years and agrees with the sentiment.

"It's very convenient for getting to class and meetings," McDougal said. "I don't currently have my car, but I'm always walking distance from my room while on campus."

Ashleigh Bumbrey, a sophomore art major who also lives in College Hill Suites said most items are fairly within reach.

"However, depending on where you live, travel can be a bit more difficult," Bumbrey said.

For example, Bumbrey said having classes in mostly the Mendenhall area can either mean relying on the bus or walking a further distance.

Brooks offered suggestions for students looking to live on campus.

"Make sure you stay with someone you know that you can get along with," she said. "Go to all the events and keep your space clean."

Raina Sanchez, a freshman biology major who lives in Legacy Residence Hall, said she enjoys her experience thus far of living on campus.

"I like how much my R.A. cares about her hall and being able to live so close to school and my classes," Sanchez said.

Sanchez, however, dislikes walking up to College Hill Drive and then to her room on the third floor, since Legacy Residence Hall does not have elevators.

Another College Hill Suites resident, Kaleah Braswell, a junior history and history education major, has also lived on campus for three years.

"What I like about on campus housing is the fact that everything you need is right there," Braswell said. "On College Hill, we have our own little community."

Braswell said the convenience of having The Pirate Market P.O.D. and The Galley for toiletries and food is preferable than going to Walmart. She added, however, to be prepared.

"Get plenty of snacks or enough (food) to make sandwiches because sometimes we may not want to go all the way down to a dining hall or to go spend Bucks," she said. "Also, there's no shame in taking food back with you from the dining hall."

In addition to convenience, Lewis said being able to eat on campus is something he enjoys.

"You have a meal plan, so even if you don't have money, Pirate Bucks or meal swipes, you can always eat at the dining hall when they are open," he said.

Braswell said while on campus living is more convenient, she wishes she was able to have more independence.

"What I dislike is the lack of freedom sometimes," Braswell said. "Being that I am about to be 21, I feel like I'm still living with my parents sometimes with some of the rules. However, I know that I'd rather stay on campus than have to deal with extra responsibilities and pay for extra things as well."

Bumbrey brought up dislikes about staying on campus, specifically the rules which sometimes come with living in a dorm.

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East Carolina University students prepare to order food on college hill at The Pirate Market. THOMAS WEYBRECHT | THE EAST CAROLINIAN

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"Although I know it is for safety reasons, the inability to use extension cords makes using certain appliances (or) electronic devices a bit more awkward," she said. "Plus, the fire detectors are fairly sensitive, so if someone sets it off late at night, we all have to get out of bed and can't go back in until they find the room with possibly just burnt popcorn in it."

As a resident advisor, McDougal said sometimes she dislikes certain restrictions that come with living in a dorm.

"There are policies in place that limit the amount of guests that I have and the activities that I do," McDougal said. "As an R.A., not only do I have to enforce those rules, I have to abide by them and set a good example."

Sanchez encouraged incoming students to complete the housing contract as soon as possible and to get to know their roommates prior to move-in day.

Lewis had similar tips for students considering staying in a dorm.

"Try to get to know your roommates

(or) suitemates," he said. "(They) could be completely different than how you expected and they could end up becoming one of your best friends."

Lewis also suggested doing laundry during the week opposed to weekends, Sunday afternoons especially, because he said people use two or more washers and dryers.

Lewis also encouraged students to enjoy the dorm experience, too.

"Make the most out of it," Lewis said. "Living on campus is only as enjoyable as you make it."

McDougal said those living on campus will build connections with others, which will make for "great stories" in five to ten years.

Braswell encouraged students to make new friends and to talk to their resident advisor. She also wants students to know that, "Just because you're a senior or simply not a teenager anymore and living in a dorm, this doesn't mean you aren't still an adult. You're actually saving yourself a lot of stress."

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The Alpha Delta Pi sorority house is located on 5th street in Greenville, North Carolina. Instead of choosing an apartment after freshman year, some students choose to live in a house.

Perks to living in a sorority house

Darby Hubbell

FOR THE EAST CAROLINIAN

East Carolina University rushes hundreds of girls every year into 11 National Panhellenic sororities, with many waiting anxiously for bid day, hoping to make their sorority their new home.

Bella Benford, a sophomore graphic design major, currently lives in a sorority house on 5th Street. She said this is her first year living in a house with 20 other girls and loves every second of it. Benford said it adds an exciting dynamic to her everyday life.

“There are so many perks of living here, like you have multiple washers and dryers, 20 closets, a huge bathroom that everyone can get ready in,” Benford said. “You can always find someone to hang out with and you never have to go really far, also the food is catered everyday, bringing our meals to us on a set schedule.”

Benford said the perks continue on, but the main reason she decided to live in the sorority house this year was because it was something she always knew she had to experience.

Benford said college students have so many years to live in an apartment or be



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Sorority girls walk down 5th street during the 2017 homecoming parade. Downtown Greenville is home to many sorority houses.

on their own, but the opportunity to live with their sorority sisters and best friends only comes around once.

“It’s always nice to have a support system like this. It makes life easier, to be honest,” Benford said.

Mary Katherine Battle, a sophomore accounting major, said she thinks living in a sorority house makes everything more fun and truly brought her even more out of her shell.

“I was someone who always treasured my own alone time and always wanted to be alone so I was kind of nervous about living in the house with so many people, but now when I am alone, I hate it,” Battle said. “Now, if I walk around the house and don’t see anyone, I start shouting, ‘guys, where is everybody?’”

Benford said everything suddenly became very convenient for her because of both the house location and parking

availability which all came with living in the house.

“I was nervous that I was going to be cramped, but you quickly realize the house doesn’t feel that way at all,” Benford said. “I also feel way more involved within my sorority because if I’m not doing something, I know someone else is and then they talk to me about it. It almost serves as

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a reality check for me (and) I realize I need to be doing something too.”

Benford said a sorority house serves as a central hub for all the girls involved in the sorority chapter which they belong to. Sisterhood chapter events such as philanthropy, alumni, parents weekend and homecoming all typically take place at a sorority house.

Battle said living in the sorority house differs from a lot of stereotypes and prejudices that are held against the Greek Life community.

“We are like one big family. If anything, we get along like a family,” Battle said. “Being in a sorority, we are all very different but we all have the same core values.”

Benford said the rules stay consistently simple at most sorority houses, especially those on ECU’s campus, such as no alcohol and no boys.

Elizabeth Diaferia, a sophomore psychology major, said these rules are beneficial because it keeps the house from getting out of control and prevents under-

age drinking.

“I think if we didn’t have these rules put in place, one thing would lead to another and suddenly it would turn into a frat house with a nasty first floor that would constantly be a wreck,” Diaferia said. “I also respect the boy rule because we, as sisters, have respect for each other.”

Although living in a sorority house can sometimes be overwhelming, Diaferia said living in the house for a year has prepared her more for the real world than if she had just jumped right into apartment living. She said it has changed her outlook on how she can approach the working world and has also “upped her tolerance” for pretty much anything and anyone.

“In the real world, you are constantly surrounded by different people...who may not line up exactly to your unique personality and perspective,” Diaferia said. “Living in the house this year has showed me that though I’ll always have to be dealing with different emotions, ways of living and interacting with unique personalities.”

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Cable television not a necessity



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All college students know the phrase “balling on a budget.” Most of our young-adult lives are controlled by a budget. We can only afford the cheapest of everything. The cheapest bread. Ramen noodles. Any buck saved makes a difference, so why are you still paying for a cable subscription? The cable bill is usually one of the most expensive costs one would have to pay, and we all do it because if we don’t, then we think we can’t watch television. But what if I told you, you can still watch all your favorite shows and events while saving money every month? Well, cancel your cable subscription and read the rest of this article to learn how to survive without cable.

First off, let’s all be honest, the only time we watch cable television is when there’s a big event on, such as a sporting event or the Oscars. Other than that, what does cable provide that Netflix doesn’t?

The cheapest cable subscription that Optimum offers is roughly \$65 a month, or eight months worth of a Netflix subscription, which is \$8 a month. Canceling your cable subscription not only saves you money every month, it provides a lot of social benefits.

Benefits beyond being able to answer, “Oh my god, do you watch Stranger Things?”

Without cable there’s no channel surfing. So now, instead of coming home, sick and tired of that professor who keeps assigning homework, and just finding some obscure show to space out to, you can actually do that homework instead of just complaining about it. If you choose not to do homework with this spare

time, there’s always that place outside — I’ve heard there’s usually some interesting things happening there.

Now, if you still choose to watch something instead of being active, there’s plenty of places to do that. We all have, or know someone who has, a Netflix and Hulu account; the lucky ones may have a rich uncle with an HBO account. (My advice— try to become roommates with them next year.) But, most people don’t know that with an Amazon Prime account, you are also able to access their database of shows and movies as well. So, between these four apps, there is no show worth mentioning that you can’t find. But if you and your friends are really craving a cult classic that’s no where to be found, CanIStream.It? is a website that will scour the web to find any streaming service that provides your show.

For all the sports fans out there who are worried about losing their live sporting events, your going to be alright. ESPN, the biggest sports television station, is always live streaming and accessible through the ESPN App on your phone or online at ESPN.com. Other common sports televisions, such as Fox, NBC, CBS, and TNT also provide live streaming of their coverage from their online websites.

Well, what about the news?

There’s always the radio, but we all know it just isn’t the same without the pictures and videos. Luckily, stations such as CNN and MSNBC also provide live streams accessible from their website.

So don’t be worried about not being able to find anything to watch, because there will always be a secondary source where you can find it. Now that you have an extra \$50 a month, you can finally afford to buy groceries more than once a month.

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Finding the perfect balance of roommates

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Living with roommates can be tough, but how many is the right amount? We always hear “three’s a party but four is a crowd,” but the truth is, it all depends on what an individual is most comfortable with.

There are pros and cons renters must weigh before deciding how many roommates they want to live with.

The most common benefit that comes with living with more people is constantly having people to hangout with. Whether all the roommates are actually friends or not, more people in the living space provides an opportunity to constantly have people in your life.

Another benefit to living with multiple people usually means having more help with household duties. In addition, roommates can also help with problems such as homework or being there for life advice.

“ I personally love living with three other people especially when we’re all so close. The key is to find people that you can really vibe with and get along with. ”

- Tyler Edwards

ECU student Tyler Edwards currently lives with three other individuals at The Landing, making his apartment a four-people living space.

“I personally love living with three other people especially when we’re all so close,” Edwards said. “The key is to find people that you can really vibe with and get along with.”

However, on the other side, living with different individuals and different views may not always work. One con of

living with more people is that there can actually be more responsibilities around the living space.

“The dishes tend to pile up more often and we’re all so busy that sometimes it gets out of control,” Sophomore Michael Schwartz said. “Someone ends up picking up on another person’s slack, which isn’t always fair but that’s what happens when you have a lot of roommates.”

Logan Washle, who currently lives

with three other individuals, agrees that living with more roommates can mean more work.

According to Washle, regardless how neat each roommate is, with that many people the living space will get messy.

Another common problem that can come with living with others is that personal space might become an issue. With so many different personalities in one living space, someone is bound to get a tad fed up.

“The way I see it, the more people in one small place, the more problems,” Washle said. “It’s just more dishes, more cleaning and overall more work to keep the place looking right.”

Either these individuals like each other or they don’t and that’s the most important factor to figure out when choosing roommates.

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