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August is Ours performs a song on stage. The local Greenville band is set to play at the Day Rager for Spazz Fest this weekend.

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Plans for Dail House discussed

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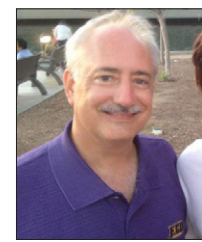
A special East Carolina University Board of Trustees Finance and Facilities committee meeting was called to order in the Spillman Building yesterday morning to review current and future information on the Dail House.

The committee called role, and all seven members were present at today's meeting, whether physically present or remotely calling in. The role also called for additional community members who were present. Committee members include Max Joyner Jr., serving as chair, Vern Davenport, vice chair, Edwin Clark, Deborah Davis, Leigh Fanning, La'Quon Rogers and Vince Smith.

The purpose of the meeting was to create a space for the committee to receive information updates and discuss plans for future property usage, focusing on the Dail House, which is the traditional chancellor's residence located on East Fifth Street. Committee members, along with ECU and Greenville community members, were open to join the meeting as the BOT offered a public comment session.

Bill Bagnell, associate vice chancellor for campus operations, said the most pressing issues within the Dail House currently include the "first phase" of renovating the downstairs bathroom, sitting room and kitchen to comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act. He said this first phase will be completed by June 30.

Rogers, president of ECU's Student Government Association, asked where the funds would come from for these renovations and how long they would take. The committee said the funds are identified from essentially non-referring sources from the campus, such as deferred maintenance fees.



Bill Bagnell

Spazz Fest set to rock Annual Uptown music festival to start today

Danielle Schmid
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Spazz Fest, the long-awaited four-day annual event, is set to begin today at Trollingwood Taproom and Brewery, kicking off at 4 p.m. More than 50 bands will take over stages in venues all across Greenville, such as Pitt Street Brewing Company, Christy's Euro Pub, Crossbones Tavern and more.



Caroline Coghill

The "Day Rager" is the largest, and one of the only free events, featured on the Spazz Fest lineup. All other events will range in price from \$5 to \$10 according to Caroline Coghill, an organizer of Spazz Fest.

There is a "Golden Ticket" option for \$60, which gives attendees free entry to every show. There will also be secret after parties and sets throughout the weekend that attendees can get informed of with this ticket, according to Coghill.

Local Greenville band August is Ours is set to play at the Day Rager, while another local group, Psylo Joe, will perform at Crossbones' Friday night event, beginning at 10. Other bands and artists playing this weekend range anywhere from Future Islands, a band with more than 200,000 followers on Facebook, to street-folk family group, The Hills and the River.

This year, nine local establishments have opened their doors for Spazz Fest. Coghill said this is important for the event, and she is happy the businesses have joined.

"Having all these artists from different backgrounds creates nationality and gives back to the community," Coghill said. "Having all these local businesses have our backs and take a leap of faith with us is vital."

Some events at Pitt Street Brewery, Trollingwood and Christy's are for all ages, however some places, such as Jarvis Street Bottle shop, will remain 21 and up, Coghill said.

Spazz Fest made its way to Greenville in 2007, and, according to Coghill, was started with its creator Jeff Blinder's love for live shows. She said Blinder always

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Renovations begin for food truck area

Darby Hubbell
TEC STAFF

East Carolina University's Destination 360 plans to permanently close its doors to retail sales, with three food trucks by Joyner Library taking its place.

William McCartney, associate vice chancellor of ECU Campus Living, said D360 is being renovated into a new bakery and catering kitchen to support the new student center and general campus needs. D360 will close at the end of April as an eatery.



William McCartney

McCartney said the construction outside the old entry to Joyner Library is going to be renovated into a home for two of the university's food trucks, Grid Grub and Street Eats. He said this plaza will also have an area for outside eating, equipped with picnic tables and umbrellas much like the ones students see around residence halls.

"There should be seating for about

25 people at these outside tables. This will be a particularly important campus improvement come the fall when D360 is closed and prior to the new student center opening later in the fall semester," McCartney said.

He said this site will become one of the closest retail food service to Mendenhall and West End including the Starbucks in Joyner.

In addition to the Grid Grub and Street Eats food trucks, which have been present on campus since the start of the spring semester, McCartney said ECU Dining Services will introduce a truck from the casual restaurant chain, Steak n' Shake.

"(ECU) Dining Services is excited to add a new Steak n' Shake food truck later this month in addition to this new space for the trucks to service students, faculty and staff from," McCartney said.

McCartney said ECU students will see food trucks at their location off of the Wright Plaza, at Joyner Library and across from the Croatan, which is home to the

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The Grid Grub food truck, typically located by Dowdy Student Stores, will be moved to Joyner Library.

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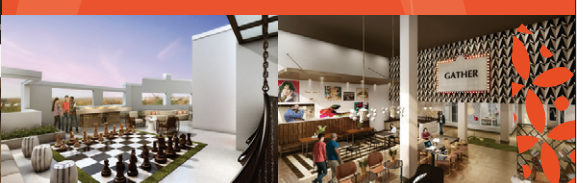
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BRIEFS

ECU to commemorate Holocaust Remembrance Day

The assistant dean of East Carolina University's Dental School of Medicine will host a lecture on the Holocaust Story of Alice Kern today from 7 to 9 p.m. at the Science and Technology Building, room C307.

Geralyn Crain will tell her mother's story of surviving the Holocaust and its effects on her own childhood. There will also be a memorial reading of the names of Holocaust victims at the Cupola from noon to 6 p.m. The program will conclude with a question-and-answer section.

Both events are free and open to the public. This event is a Premier Passport Event.

Saturday Race to memorialize ECU professor

Coop Strong, a charity organization, will host a race on Saturday in memory of recreation and leisure studies professor Nelson Cooper, who passed away in May from ALS.

The race will be four miles, beginning at 9 a.m. at 1400 Red Banks Rd. To register to participate or volunteer, go to the Coop Strong Race's website. Registration prices run from \$25 to \$30.

Cooper graduated from ECU in 1995, and served as a recreation and park educator for more than 20 years.

For more information, contact coordinators Heather Morse at hmorsesu@hotmail.com or Jane Jarrett at mcallistarja14@ecu.edu.

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Starbucks truck.

Joyce Sealey, director of ECU Dining Services, created the food truck plans because she said students have been asking for food trucks, and it's part of the "bigger master plan."



Joyce Sealey

"We know we have a deficit of seats at the Wright Place," Sealey said. "That's sort of their permanent home for right now, but we knew that we were shutting Destination 360 down and creating a catering kitchen space because we are building a new student union."

Sealey said ECU is terminating D360 since the university will gain surplus retail in the new student center, which is planned

to open next fall. She said what is currently Mendenhall Student Center will be used as a kitchen and bakery space for the student center restaurants, and will never be used for retail again.

"While we are going to be losing some retail for the last week in April and part of May, we should be able to get the new union...in October, and so there's only a couple of months there where we have lost the retail," Sealey said.

Sealey said ECU is creating the Plaza to create retail space for the current students who live on West End. She said students will still be able to scan their I Cards to receive food items through using Pirate Bucks and Pirate Meals.

Ricky Hill, interim executive director of ECU Facilities Services, said the construction firm, Charles Hughes Construction, broke ground on the Plaza Project on March 5.

"This space will first be used for food trucks on a temporary

"That's sort of their permanent home for right now, but we knew that we were shutting Destination 360 down."

-Joyce Sealey

basis while renovation work for dining is being performed, and then a continued permanent food truck venue as well as an outdoor gathering space for students," Hill said.

He said the space was designed to incorporate into the future pedestrian hardscape sidewalk project from Joyner to the Student Rec Center. He added that currently the plaza project is on track for the already scheduled completion date of May 11.

McCartney said two of the

trucks, Grid Grub and Street Eats, have been in use for most of this year and the Starbucks truck is in its third year. However, students will have to wait for the Steak 'n Shake food truck to be fully equipped before it comes to campus, according to McCartney.

"The new Steak 'n Shake truck needs to pass some inspections and have staff trained before we open it for general use around the end of the month," McCartney said.

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Rogers asked that the Board remain extremely transparent throughout this process and for active engagement with both the student population and community partners. He said the



La'Quon Rogers

more input the Board can get, the better the decisions and outcome will be.

Outgoing Vice Chancellor of Administration and Finance Rick Niswander presented three options for the Dail House in the meeting: it could remain

solely a residential property, be used solely as an entertainment venue, or renovated to become solely a place for alumni and faculty to gather and act as an entertainment region.

Rogers said he wants the public to know the committee will continue to look into all its options closely, so when it does eventually reach its decisions on the properties, it is making those decisions with only the best intentions for the university, its students, faculty and alumni.



The Dail House is the traditional home of ECU's chancellor, but requires renovations to be usable.

Greenville native Will Cormic, a community member, presented his own idea of reopening the Dail House as an alumni and faculty club house for homecoming events, meetings and committee entertainment.

No decisions regarding the Dail House and the surrounding six university-owned

properties, located on Jarvis and Summit, were voted on or made in the process of this meeting. The BOT will meet again on April 19 to figure out more of a timeline.

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OUR VIEW

Inconvenient road closures worth hassle

A week ago, the city of Greenville began a large construction project called the Town Creek Culvert. This project is set to take up to three years to complete and will close roadways throughout downtown Greenville, as the city works to replace a pipe that begins near West Ninth Street and Ficklen Street down to Reade Circle and South Summit.

We, the editorial staff of The East Carolinian, believe while this will be an inconvenience to many East Carolina University students and others in the community, this is a project of great importance.

Uptown Greenville has had a lot of experience with flooding through the years. The goal of this project is to prevent flooding from being a continual problem, and to prevent the roads from being destroyed over time, according to Joe Durham, the director of community development for Greenville.

With the regular flooding that takes place throughout Greenville, we, as residents of this city, need to understand this inconvenient construction will be more than worth it in the end. When the parking lots and streets flood, people lose vehicles. Vehicles get damaged along with other belongings inside these vehicles.

This project has been put off long enough, and now that the state has provided the city with loans that will save Greenville \$10 million over the next 25 years, it's finally time to undergo this project.

As the city moves into this inconvenient time, its residents must keep in mind this project is meant to help in the long run, and we must be patient with the process.



Stereotypes don't define generation

Millennials have more to offer than just avocado toast



Annah Schwartz
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

I am a millennial. Now, this isn't profound, unless you too have lived on the edge of a generational cut off your whole life.

On March 1, Pew Research Center determined the official age range for millennials spans from 1981-96. Up until March 1, my birth year of 1996 was either the cut-off year for joining the millennial club, or the beginning of a new generation, depending on various studies. So, thank you Pew Research Center for imparting some clarity unto my life.

Prior to this age range being established, I played a fun game of deciding whether or not I would classify myself as a highly-criticized millennial, or as a post-millennial — a generation whose characteristics are still being developed (though equally criticized — thanks, Tide Pod challenge).

But, why should I care? Why should you care what generation you belong to? We're all different, so who's to say that I have to identify with a generation that is accused of killing the bar soap

industry (yes, millennials have been in the headlines for that).

Well, the truth is, there is something important about knowing your generation and how it has helped shape who you are as a person. As it is, and as it always will be, older generations will reflect on how they grew up as a means of judging younger cohorts — sometimes harshly. While headlines continue to scream "Millennials are ruining the workforce," or "Millennials killed home ownership, chose avocado toast instead," I know there is more to our existence than apparently killing bar soap, ruining the workforce or our evident love for avocado toast.

My worldview is shaped by some of my earliest memories, which include the 9/11 terrorist attacks, going through a recession and growing up right alongside rapidly-changing technology, just trying to keep up in a world that was still new to me.

If anything, I think millennials have proven we are just as strong and smart as previous generations. We're innovative and creative — we've shown that we can adapt.

Millennials don't buy as many homes as previous generations because we've seen the foreclosures in our

neighborhoods and the job security that just isn't there anymore. We're not as quick to choose the traditional workplace, and instead opt to chase our dreams on alternative routes. We don't use bar soap because it's kind of gross when you think about it.

There is importance in studying how our environment shapes us as a generation and what we can pass on to the younger members of our society. There is a lot of good about our generation, but it is essential we recognize what can be improved on too. We're too attached to our technology and we could work on our concept of privacy in regards to what we share on social media, along with other things.

We don't have to fit into the stereotypes of our generation, but if we recognize them alongside our strengths, we can continue to learn and progress as we continue to lay the foundation for future generations.

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ECU needs better PR going forward



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Don't Mind Matt

In today's modern world, public relations are a valuable asset to any organization. As a journalist, I understand the value of public relations and how it can be the difference between an organization being burnt in the public spotlight or not.

Being on the wrong end of a public outcry can be stressful, difficult to stop and borderline dangerous. However, for one organization, it seems as though it can't stop putting its metaphorical foot in its own mouth.

That organization is our very own East Carolina University. In recent months, as a journalist who reports on the university and is also a student at ECU, I've had a unique perspective on some of the odd, puzzling and frankly terrible PR moves ECU officials have made. Case and point: the chancellor's new residence.

The University and ECU Foundation's decision to buy a new residence for the chancellor in itself isn't where my criticism lies. Rather, I would like to critique how ECU handled the backlash, and what seemed like a lack of thought about the optics of the decision.

I have multiple complaints about the subpar PR performance ECU put forth with the new chancellor's residence. In honesty, for a university with a PR concentration, ECU's lack of judgment

shocked me.

Remember when documents were released calling into question the qualifications and history of Chancellor Cecil Staton? The release of the information and the announcement by the ECU Foundation of a new chancellor's residence came relatively close in timing, which leads to my first complaint.

For the university or ECU Foundation to think it was a good idea to announce the purchase of a \$1.3 million home for a man whose qualifications were just called into question was a mistake. The optics, or perception, looked terrible, and for good reason.

If Pirate Nation had known ahead of time the University was considering purchasing a new chancellor's residence then maybe they would have accepted the idea or wanted to get involved. Having more public involvement can never hurt, but leaving ECU's students, faculty, staff, alumni and donors in the dark only creates problems.

The problem was compounded after the backlash began. Chancellor Staton has never been great at handling controversy. For example, remember the Marching Pirates kneeling or the Fire Compher movement?

Staton has an ability to make decisions or statements that only seem to inflame the situation, which frankly, as the leader of a public institution, is an issue, but that's a whole other topic.

Anyway, when Chancellor Staton referred to the news about his new residence as "a distraction," he again took his foot, removed his shoe and sock, brought it to his mouth and stuffed the thing right in there.

Finally, the last item on my list of critiques was the decision itself. The move to buy a new \$1.3 million home for a chancellor who has had issues relating to ECU students only deepens that image problem.

It's hard for me to understand, but it seems as though ECU officials want me to be comfortable with the idea that while student fees go up and more ECU students rack up debt, while academic budgets are slashed, the chancellor can relax poolside?

ECU students are learning in buildings which need renovations and are falling apart, but Chancellor Staton can lounge in one of six bedrooms at a \$1.3 million home?

The move makes ECU's leadership look like a bunch of arrogant, senseless aristocrats who would rather throw parties with rich donors than help the students who fuel the university they lead.

The university should think about the optics of a decision before it does something. Maybe ECU officials did, but with some of the decisions its been making recently, it doesn't seem that way.

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East Carolina University left-handed pitcher Jake Agnos throws a pitch in game two of the Western Carolina University series where ECU won 8-2.

>> BASEBALL

ECU to open AAC play

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TEC STAFF

The East Carolina University baseball team will face perhaps its toughest opponent in the American Athletic Conference this weekend, opening conference play on the road at the University of Central Florida.

ECU (16-4) and UCF (17-5) are both entering this weekend's series with stellar records in non-conference play. The Pirates are coming in with a four-game win streak, including an undefeated streak on the road (5-0), where they outscore opponents by an average of six runs. The Knights lost two of the last five games and post a 15-3 record at home.



Trey Benton

Two of the most noticeable players for ECU this season have been pitchers sophomore Trey Benton and junior Chris Holba, who combine for a 9-1 record in their 10 combined starts. While the pitching has been solid, Benton credits the players behind him.

"It takes the stress off when you have gloves behind you like (shortstop Turner) Brown, (second baseman Brady) Lloyd, (third baseman Connor) Litton and (utility infielder

Nick) Barber," Benton said. "Then to have a bullpen behind you that come shut the door at any time, as well as bats in the lineup that help get some runs up early, gives me a good feeling when I'm on the mound."

The last time these teams met was last season, when ECU lost all three games — 8-7, 9-4 and 7-0. Even though the Pirates were swept on their home field, ECU bounced back in the AAC tournament to upend the No.1 seeded UCF twice on its way to a championship appearance.

The road game against the University of North Carolina at Wilmington, which was supposed to take place yesterday, was postponed until May 9, but the players say missing a game didn't affect the team's preparation for this weekend.

"I didn't really do anything new this week, starters were kind of stuck in our routine," Holba said. "Not much changes from week to week, so I stayed within my routine and I got caught up in it."

The ECU lineup has scored at least five runs in 11 of the 20 games so far this season, and it holds an 11-0 record in such games. The magic



Chris Holba

number for the team's success this weekend is at least four depending on how Benton, Holba and the bullpen do against a team that has three batters who have at least a .300 average.

The Pirates will be in for a tough challenge hitting Knights' junior pitcher Chris Williams, who who holds a 3-0 record with an ERA of 1.16. Following Williams is junior pitcher JJ Montgomery, pitching to an ERA of 1.88, starting in three of his six appearances. Williams has struck out 28 batters this season while Montgomery has 38, which can prove to be a problem for an ECU lineup that has struck out 131 times.

In preparation for this weekend, the team had shorter practices, but head coach Cliff Godwin has prepared them after the extra day received from the postponed game.

"We actually had guys who would've thrown in the middle of the week get some innings," Godwin said. "We had some pitcher-versus-hitter in practice, as well as our team meeting to keep working on our culture. We lifted weights on Wednesday instead of (today) before we head to UCF, so we'll be ready Friday."

First pitch of the opening game is scheduled for tomorrow at 6:30 p.m.

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>> FOOTBALL

Former Pirate Zay Jones arrested

Aaron Jackson
TEC STAFF

Former East Carolina University football star wide receiver Zay Jones, now a member of the Buffalo Bills, was arrested early Tuesday morning and released yesterday to his family on a \$20,000 bond. His court date is set for April 11.

In the video released by TMZSports on Tuesday afternoon, Jones is seen naked in the hallway, attempting to run past his brother, Cayleb Jones, inside the apartment of Cayleb's girlfriend, in Los Angeles. Zay, who graduated last year before being drafted in the second round by the Bills, was charged with felony vandalism by the Los Angeles Police Department after attempting to jump out of a 30-story window, breaking the glass window.

Cayleb, a wide receiver for the Minnesota Vikings, subdued his brother until LAPD arrived at the scene. Following Zay's arrest, he was taken to the University of Southern California's medical center. Zay suffered cuts from the broken glass in the apartment and left trails of blood in the hallway.

The East Carolinian reached out to ECU's Assistant Athletics Director Tom McClellan. He said head coach Scottie Montgomery will not be available to comment until the team's Purple-Gold scrimmage on Saturday. He also said ECU Athletics is not ready to officially comment on the situation yet.

"It's a sensitive topic without any substantial information at this point. It would be both inappropriate and premature to offer a comment," McClellan said in an email interview.

While the Jones family has not released an official statement, members of the family did comment on the situation on social media yesterday.

Yesterday morning Cayleb tweeted "I am my brother's keeper." Later that day, Robert Jones, Zay's father, who also played for ECU from 1987-91, tweeted an update and positive words in the wake of his son's incident.

"Thank you for your prayers everyone! Zay is with me and his mom! He's gonna be fine! We love y'all!"

The Bills issued the following statement



Former Pirate Zay Jones runs from Tulane University's defenders during his freshman season in 2013.

after the video was released Tuesday. "We are aware of the incident involving Zay Jones. We are still in the process of gathering more information on the matter. At this point, we will have no further comment."

Editor-in-Chief of the Buffalo Rumbblings' division of SBNation Matt Warren said they haven't heard anything about mental or drug reports at this time and "haven't speculated to that regard."

"We haven't heard yet but when the Bills say they are going to gather information before making a decision, they mean it," Warren said in an email interview.

Warren said history shows that Buffalo's organization has kept players on the roster following criminal charges. He gave the example of Bills' defensive tackle Adolphus Washington and former offensive tackle Cyrus Kouandjio who both ran into legal trouble.

According to Warren, Washington was arrested during the 2017 NFL offseason, but his misdemeanor weapons charge was dropped and he remained with the team. He added Kouandjio was also arrested last offseason under "very similar circumstances" to Jones and later was released from the team.

Warren said, however, that Kouandjio "was on his last legs with the team before the arrest."

According to USA Today, in April of 2017 Kouandjio was found wandering a field in his underwear by Erie County police officers in

Elma, New York. This incident is also similar to former New England Patriots defensive end Chandler Jones' hospitalization, after he entered a Foxborough Police Department asking for help. Later it was discovered Chandler was under the influence of synthetic marijuana.

In regards to Zay's spot with the Bills, Warren believes this situation should not hurt the wide receivers stock as much as people think.

"(Bills) head coach Sean McDermott is seen as a no-nonsense guy but I don't think throwing away Jones after one season is in either party's best interests," Warren said.

Warren added if Zay needs help, the Bills can give him that and if he needs structure, the Bills can also give him that.

Former ECU quarterback Gardner Minshew, who transferred to Washington State University following the Pirates (3-9) 2017-18 season, sent a statement to The East Carolinian yesterday evening saying that Zay is one of the best guys he has ever encountered playing football.

"He was a role model for me, and he is certainly in my thoughts and prayers," Minshew said. "He is loved and I know he will be back better than ever."

Tyler Gavin contributed to this report.

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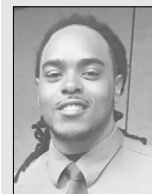
TEC 'sports

The East Carolinian Sports experts predict this weekend's baseball game

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Who? UCF wins series 2-1 Why? The University of Central Florida baseball team will swiftly defeat ECU in two of the three games this

weekend. The Knights come off of two tough losses against Florida State University and will take their revenge out on the Pirates, ruining ECU's five-game road win streak.

Chase Carroll

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Who? UCF wins series 2-1 Why? ECU enters AAC play against a tough UCF team that has defeated the University of Virginia, who was ranked 15 at

the time, and defeated the University of Florida twice while ranked No. 1. The dominance of UCF's pitching will give ECU its first series loss this year.

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Who? ECU wins series 2-1 Why? Yes, UCF did defeat UVA and UF, but ECU has proven to be a tough road opponent (5-0).

I expect pitchers Trey Benton and Chris Holba to be on top of their game, but the third weekend starter struggles will cause the Pirates to lose the final game.

Robert Romero

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Who? UCF wins series 2-1 Why? UCF will be a challenge that ECU has not faced, playing its first AAC matchup of the year on the road. UCF is second in the

AAC in ERA and batting average and have impressive wins against UVA and Florida. ECU hasn't played quality teams like UCF has, which it will work in the Knight's benefit.

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Who? ECU wins series 2-1 Why? Here we are, conference play, the biggest thing ECU must rectify after finishing AAC play 7-17 a year ago. Cliff

Godwin knows this, and will have his team prepared. Even though UCF is going to be a tough task, especially with its speed on the basepaths, I expect the pitching staff to keep these games low scoring enough to give the Pirates the advantage on the road.

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ACROSS

- 1 Blair Brown series, "The Days and Nights of Molly ___"
- 5 Same old routine
- 8 "___ 911"
- 12 Sheriff Taylor's kid
- 13 Rowboat rower
- 14 "White Wedding" singer Billy
- 15 Buttons and Barber
- 16 Horsley of "Matt Houston"
- 17 Petty of "A League of Their Own"
- 18 Belushi comedy, "___ House"
- 20 Wynn of "Dr. Strangelove"
- 22 "The Big Red ___"
- 23 Danny or Sammy
- 24 Sanguillen or Ramirez
- 27 Take a chair
- 28 Manhattan or Maui: abbr.
- 31 Slugging 3rd baseman
- 32 Even score
- 33 "My ___ Heaven"
- 34 Part of MPH
- 35 Black goo
- 36 Evans and Earnhardt
- 37 Scorsese film, "___ Streets"

- 40 Gless or Stone
- 42 DeCarlo of "The Munsters"
- 46 Michaelson of "Gimme a Break!"
- 47 Make a mistake
- 49 Coward or Harrison
- 50 "Ghostbusters" director Reitman
- 51 Kanga's kid
- 52 "My Name Is ___"
- 53 "Solid Gold" host Rick
- 54 Religious offense
- 55 "Tenspeed and Brown ___"

DOWN

- 1 "___ the Explorer"
- 2 LaPlaca sitcom, "___ House"
- 3 Conn of "Grease"
- 4 Norma of "Sunset Boulevard"
- 5 "Good Times" star Esther
- 6 Abu Dhabi, Dubai et al.
- 7 Captain Kirk follower
- 8 "The Life of ___"
- 9 "Married...With Children" star
- 10 Mrs. Nick Charles
- 11 Ken or Lena
- 19 "___ Given Sunday"
- 21 ___ your heart out!
- 24 Chart
- 25 "Chances ___" (Mathis hit)
- 26 Sally Field movie
- 27 "To __, with Love"
- 29 Mystery-writer Grafton
- 30 Paul of guitars
- 32 Family on "ALF"
- 33 Family on "...Raymond"
- 35 "The ___ of Steve"
- 36 Injured war heroes grp.
- 38 Gray and Moran
- 39 Former talk show host Allen
- 40 Lose traction
- 41 "___ Gun Will Travel"
- 43 Wyle of "ER"
- 44 Actor Franco
- 45 Macpherson of "Sirens"
- 48 King of France

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HOROSCOPES

Aries (March 21-April 19) -- Today is a 7 -- Communication glitches could arise. Note what gets said and keep written records. Stick to simple plans rather than elaborate schemes. Fantasy and reality clash.

Taurus (April 20-May 20) -- Today is a 9 -- Track income and expenses. Don't get side-tracked; distractions could get expensive. Figure out the numbers before compromising. Save up for something you've been wanting.

Gemini (May 21-June 20) -- Today is a 9 -- Expect energy surges. You may fluctuate between feeling confident and sensitive. Keep your feet on the ground. Pamper yourself with hot water and bubbles.

Cancer (June 21-July 22) -- Today is a 6 -- Pull into your shell to sort out your feelings. Peace and privacy soothe and comfort. Consider what your spirit and heart want.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22) -- Today is an 8 -- Teamwork lightens everyone's load. Strengthen your friendship networks and connections. Contribute your talents and invite participation and collaboration. Thrive in a healthy hive.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) -- Today is an 8 -- Travel and studies offer new opportunities. Expand your boundaries and understanding of another's views. Take a step toward an educational goal.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) -- Today is an 8 -- Plan and budget for the future. Steady savings adds up over time. Don't waste money on stuff you don't need. Prioritize your family's health.

Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) -- Today is an 8 -- Invest in your family's future. Don't lose what you've got to get more. Wait for nebulous opportunities to solidify. Scrutinize options and plans.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) -- Today is an 8 -- Compromise with your partner for practical objectives. Keep your patience and your sense of humor. Don't spend until you're certain what you want.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) -- Today is a 9 -- The workload increases. Practice your moves for increased speed and performance. Learn a valuable trick. Nurture your health and well-being with good food.

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) -- Today is a 7 -- Have fun with friends, family and your sweetheart. Avoid expense or hassle and stick to simple pursuits. Play with someone whose talents you respect.

Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20) -- Today is a 7 -- Domestic matters have your attention. Simplify renovation plans down to basic elements. Strip away elaborate options that you don't need. Less is more.

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Stilllife rooftop bar to open

Uptown Greenville nightclub sets date for grand opening

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After undergoing eight months of construction, Stilllife, Greenville's local nightclub and event space, will host the grand opening of its rooftop addition April 6, making the establishment an "all-in-one destination," according to the owner.

Travis Hixon, the owner and operator of Stilllife, said the rooftop has only been open twice so far: once for the Young Professionals from the Greenville Chamber of Commerce and once for St. Patrick's Day. According to Hixon, the soft opening for the Young Professionals hosted 75 to 100 individuals in The Loft, and the addition received good reviews.

"We're very fortunate to already have people saying positive things about the place," Hixon said. "It's unique. They said a few words: modern, something that they'd never seen before and they felt like they weren't in Greenville, which is great."

Sky, the open air sports patio section of the renovation, which includes 20 craft beers, opened on St. Patrick's Day to an invite-only group during the day. Hixon said it was more of a meet and greet for Travis Porter, who performed on St. Patrick's Day, but then at night 50 people were able to stay upstairs. Hixon said Stilllife wanted to make it comfortable for everyone so they were able to enjoy the atmosphere.

The four areas of the building are the Stilllife nightclub, Tiki, Sky and The Loft, according to Hixon. The Stilllife nightclub section was upgraded to become more state of the art, then Tiki was upgraded to become the "party island bar," Hixon said. Tiki has frozen drinks, four custom cocktails and will introduce frozen rum drinks soon.

"Moving up to The Loft, this is going to be our craft cocktail and wine bar, so we're going to carry a bunch of different wine selections, as well as custom craft cocktails. So we're going to keep that on rotation as far as craft martinis," Hixon said.

Hixon said Stilllife will tie in some local businesses with Sky, such as Uptown Brewing Company, Pitt Street Brewing Company and Trollingwood, as well as bring in statewide and national craft



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Stilllife's new rooftop addition will include a full bar and will only be open to those 25 and up on Fridays and Saturdays.

beers. Televisions in Sky, complete with surround sound, will also air whichever national sports game is on at the time.

As far as age restrictions for the different sections, the entire rooftop will be 21 and up on Thursdays and Sundays. The first section of the rooftop, Sky, is always 21 and up, and The Loft will be 25 and up on Fridays and Saturdays. The ground floor, including the Stilllife nightclub and Tiki, will remain 18 and up, according to Hixon. He said The Loft is bridging the gap for graduates, young professionals in the area and adults, adding that going the 25-and-up route adds something to Greenville.

"We really want to provide an atmosphere and an environment that people want to stay in Greenville for," Hixon said. "A lot of times when people graduate from ECU, a lot of people move to Raleigh, Charlotte, because there's nothing really keeping them here because people want to enjoy themselves after the work week. We wanted to build something that would help pull some people, keep some people here."

Hixon added Stilllife also wanted to create jobs with its expansion. By building the rooftop addition, the establishment more than doubled in staff. He said after it's all said and done, Stilllife will have more than 100 employees.

The million-dollar project and hard work is for Stilllife's customers, according to Hixon. He said he

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- Justin Gilmer

wants everyone to be happy and over the years, has listened to what everybody says, adding Stilllife has the best customers around. He wants to continue to keep giving them the best product possible.

"I'm excited to see everyone's reaction when they come up here and finally see how hard we've worked for one, and to see that we've put in a lot of work for them as well," Justin Gilmer, the marketing manager at Stilllife, said.

Hixon said Stilllife has been applying to be the first rooftop bar in Greenville for years. Once approved, the Stilllife team researched and looked not only at other establishments in the United States, but across the world, to find ideas, techniques and visions.

After the grand opening, Stilllife will continue to have surprises for its customers, including operation hours. Hixon said it will be open seven days a week, and food options will soon be available in The Loft.

"It just brings in the whole new

atmospheres from every aspect," Gilmer said. "It gives it a whole different feel, you don't feel like you're in Greenville because of what we've given to this place."

Taylor Wyrick, senior nursing major, said she wanted to check out the rooftop additions as soon as she found out it was open, adding she didn't know until she was at the establishment and the bouncer let her know.

"I honestly feel like it gives you options compared to going to the Tiki Bar that's on the outside porch area," Wyrick said. "I just feel like it's a very nice addition. I feel like it gives an older group of people 21 and up, just more options besides Rafters, 519... It just gives you a different option to go than somewhere where there's freshmen, sophomores, and just nothing that's too wild but still fun and more chill."

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Cousin Boneless plays multiple instruments on stage during last year's Spazz Fest in Uptown.

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wanted to bring his own bands to Greenville and it was just a matter of figuring out how.

"We have people who have been coming to Spazz Fest since the first one," Coghill adds, "We realize the music scene isn't as progressive as other places. We want the new youth of ECU to come to the shows and see what we're doing and what were about."

Lead singer of August is Ours, JT Ackerman said, "Spazz Fest is the only thing that tries to save the originally music scene here. It brings a lot of different opportunities, a lot of venues and a lot of bands."

Local artist Shaheem "Timothy" Martin, also known as MDH Vamp, will begin his set at Trollingwood's Saturday night event around 10, which features other artists such as Fijiwatersplash, Sweet Acts and Speak N' Easy.

Martin will perform his first EP, "Frequent Seas," while showing off his and local rapper Jxy True's official label, Creative Culture.

"Trollingwood is a great venue. I've been playing there for a year and a half," Martin said. "We're going to show off some things from Creative Culture and explain more in-depth what our brand represents."

The final event of Spazz Fest will take place at Christy's Euro Pub Sunday night at 7. The event will feature Concord band Paleface, and Seattle-artist Scott Yoder.

"Long live DIY set planning, it's a huge part of what makes the music scene really happen," Coghill said. "Because when you have these bigger promotional companies they're just trying to make money and were just trying to trying to book shows that people actually want to see."

For a full schedule of events, check theeastcarolinian.com.

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