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SGA talks game room, textbooks

George Martin
FOR THE EAST CAROLINIAN

Last night, the Student Government Association (SGA) had its fourth session of its weekly assembly meeting where the members discussed a grant that may allow students to pay less for their textbooks and a new fee for students who use the Game Room in the Main Campus Student Center.

The meeting began with representatives giving recaps on the past week and new developments for their representative departments.



Colin Johnson

SGA President Colin Johnson began the discussion and said there is a future feature for students' OneCards. In the future, OneCards may be linked to a student's bank account, allowing it to act as a debit card as well as a student's ID, Johnson said.

"We are going to be contracting with a banking service to make that a possibility, to make your OneCard act as a debit card. That's going to bring in substantial revenue for the university while also trying to benefit the students," Johnson said.

There is additionally a new office being created in order to help students with financial literacy, and it will provide personal financial counseling for students and try to educate students on finances, Johnson said.

Taylor Chappell, the student body vice president, said SGA is planning events in order to celebrate Martin Luther King Jr. Day at East Carolina University.

"There are going to be several events on Monday, and there's

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ECU encourages flu prevention

Madison Barnhill
FOR THE EAST CAROLINIAN

East Carolina University is fast approaching the heaviest part of flu season, and Student Health Services (SHS) recommends getting the flu shot before risking exposure to the infection this season.

Infection control, knowing the symptoms, reducing exposure to other students and getting vaccinated are the most important things to remember this season according to Latika McLeod, nurse manager at ECU student health services.

McLeod said to look out for these symptoms: body aches, a temperature holding over 100 degrees, chills and a sore throat. If the following symptoms occur, McLeod said Student Health Services encourages hydration when someone is sick because when sick it is common to lose bodily fluids because of the constant sweating, vomiting and dehydration.

"We try to promote self treatment and reassure students this is something they can manage on their own. For your first time being sick on your own we encourage hydration, monitoring your temperature, take medicine for symptoms and stay out of class and away from friends," McLeod said.

McLeod said SHS understands that for most this is their first time alone and are considerate when it comes to appointments and helping students getting through being sick away from home. She said SHS encourage students, faculty and staff to come in and get a flu shot.

The flu shot is a quadrivalent shot, it has four similar and different types of flu strains, and is administered by SHS on both ECU's Main Campus and the Health Science Campus (HSC), said McLeod. She said SHS has administered over a 1,000 flu shots since mid-September and the employees have ordered more because of the high demand of them right now.

"For students and staff who come to student health there is no cost if they have health care through student health or with a network they are connected with. If we are not in network with their health care provider there is a \$25 out of pocket cost for them," McLeod said.

McLeod said getting an appointment with SHS is fairly simple. They offer in person, online and over the phone scheduling with information on their website on how to schedule an appointment. If there is a medical emergency call 911, but McLeod said there is a nurse hotline, (252) 328-6841,

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Pirates to face No. 23 SMU

ECU travels to Dallas for a matchup with the Mustangs

Daniel Shepard
TEC STAFF

The East Carolina University (3-6, 0-5 AAC) football team will attempt to win multiple road games in a season for the first time since 2015 when it travels to Dallas, Texas to face Southern Methodist University (8-1, 4-1 AAC) on Saturday.

Not long removed from being on the wrong end of a walk-off field goal that allowed the University of Cincinnati (7-1, 4-0 AAC) to leave Dowdy-Ficklen Stadium with a 46-43 edge, the Pirates will look to rebound against their second ranked opponent in as many weeks.

"The disappointing thing is not being able to secure that one, first really special win for our young program and we had that opportunity," head coach Mike Houston said. "But you take all those experiences and you learn from them and you keep your focus on what's right in front of you and that is continuing to push forward. Another great opportunity this week with another ranked opponent on the road in Dallas at SMU."

While the Pirates got a good team at home in Cincinnati, the Mustangs have

consistently been one of the best offensive teams in the country this season. Following a 54-48 loss at the hands of the University of Memphis (8-1, 4-1 AAC), SMU will enter Saturday's matchup with the seventh best scoring offense in the FBS (43.6 points per game).

Much of points have come from the right arm of junior quarterback Shane Buechele. A graduate transfer from the University of Texas (5-3, 3-2 Big 12), Buechele has thrown 23 touchdowns through nine games this season, while maintaining a completion percentage north of 63%. His 2,781 passing yards average out to 309 per game, ranking him eighth individually in the nation.

"The thing with SMU is they can do it all," Houston said. "They're very explosive offensively. The quarterback (Buechele), was the starter at Texas at one point in his career. Very talented passer, above average rusher. Obviously, everything kind of centers around him."

Indeed SMU's offense flows through Buechele, just like ECU's runs through sophomore quarterback Holton Ahlers. It helps, however, that the Mustangs possess one of the best wide receiver corps in the nation.

Likely to be without their No. 2 receiver by yards in junior Reggie Roberson Jr., SMU still has plenty in the stable for Buechele to work with. At the top of their statistics sheet in the receiving category is senior wide receiver James Proche who has hauled in a team-best 74 passes for 841 yards and 10 touchdowns.

After racking up over 100 all-purpose yards in SMU's loss to Memphis, Proche now has 21 such games in his collegiate career, including 12 games with at least 100 receiving yards. With 34 receiving touchdowns at SMU, Proche is tied with Emmanuel Sanders for the most in program history while his 3,565 yards and 264 receptions rank second.

"It's a very explosive offense," Hous-

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Quarterback Holton Ahlers checks the Cincinnati defense prior to a snap against the Bearcats last Saturday in Dowdy-Ficklen Stadium. HALIE MILLER / THE EAST CAROLINIAN

Children's book greets stage

ECU's Storybook Theatre to present 'Gooney Bird Greene'

Devin Raines
TEC STAFF

East Carolina University's Storybook Theatre will perform "Gooney Bird Greene" based on Lois Lowry's children's book tomorrow at 7 p.m. in Wright Auditorium.

Professor in the School of Theater and Dance and Director of Storybook Theatre, Patch Clark, has been working with Storybook Theatre for the past 25 years as a way to share a love of reading for young students. Clark said she was excited that this particular story was voted upon last year because it tells the story of discovery through reading and self-expression.

"So I loved the topic of Gooney Bird Greene which is about finding yourself, having your own voice, and having other people appreciate that about you, that you're different, that you're unique. And also having a voice to write, using your imagination to write," Clark said.

Two major themes within this story are learning to accept others who may be different or unique from you for who they are, and to embrace writing and to find yourself through writing, according to Clark.

Clark said there is no greater joy than giving the gift of the arts and being able to perform for the children in the community, not just ECU, is a wonderful opportunity for

both herself and the students involved in the project.

Freshman acting major and cast member, Aaron Ford, plays the straight-forward and slightly cynical character of Malcolm who is not afraid to speak his mind and to say exactly what he thinks.



Lauren Armstrong

"There's a bit of humor in it, and I like playing funnier characters, but it is a challenge in itself to play an eight year old," Ford said. "So I've had a lot of fun with it, keeping him sort of straight-forward and blunt without making him seem like some sarcastic 16 year old."

The key to this performance is just to allow yourself to have fun. Being able to be in the moment while being reactionary to the stimulus around him is how to be a kid. Being in the moment to enjoy what life has to offer is how kids have fun, according to Ford.

Stage manager for "Gooney Bird Greene" and sophomore student of the School of Theater and Dance, Lauren Armstrong, said she loves being able to put on shows for

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BRIEFS

Students to meet in Joyner to learn teamwork skills

This afternoon, in Joyner Library room 1008, students will be grouped together to share ideas for team projects.

Health students to meet in MCSC for workshop

This evening, pre-professional students interested in health and East Carolina University's health-related graduate programs are invited to the Main Campus Student Center, to learn interview skills needed for the future.

Voyages of Discovery brings Jayanty to campus

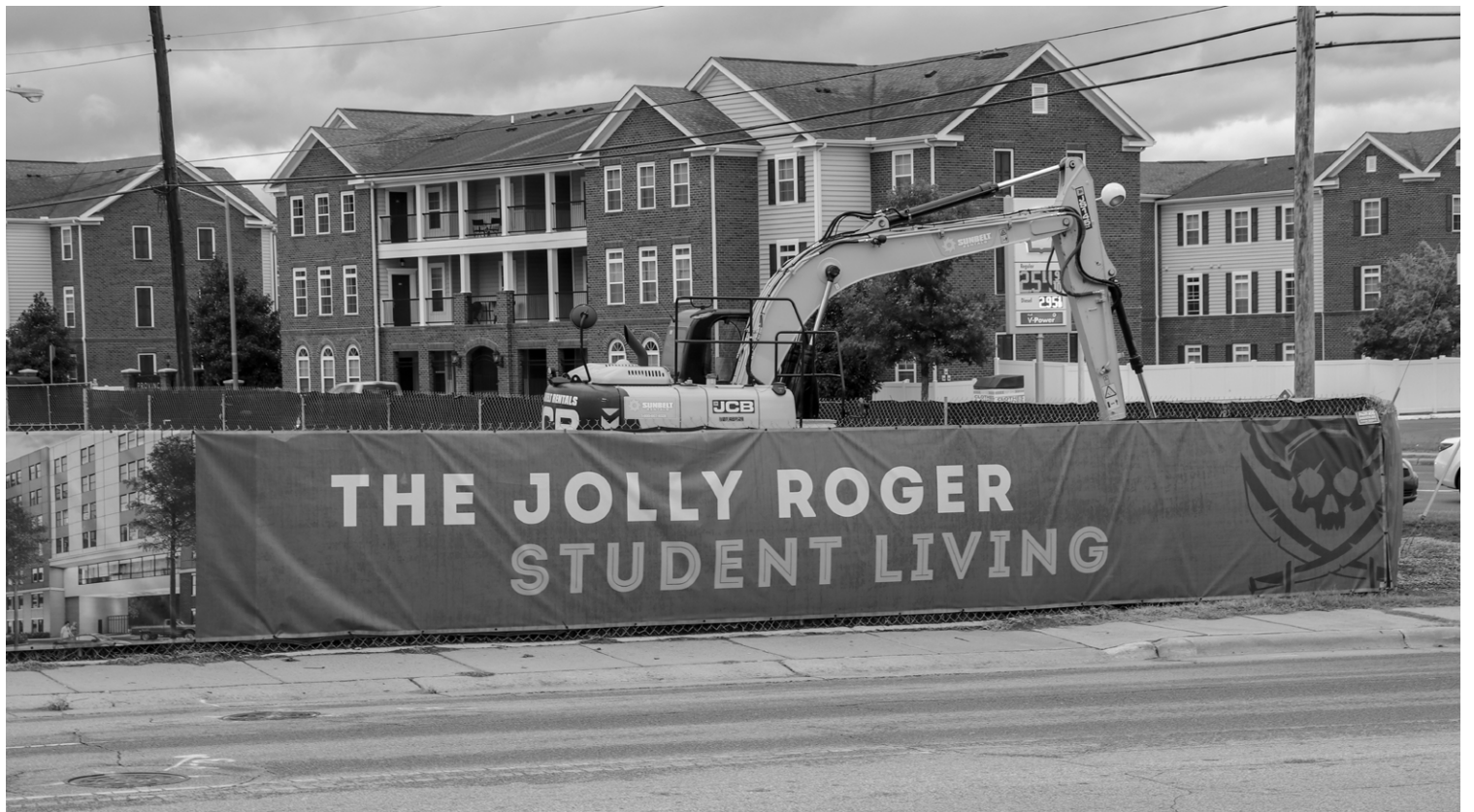
Dr. R.K.M. Jayanty will be speaking about pollution control at East Carolina University, from 7 to 8:30 p.m. in the Main Campus Student Center ballrooms.

Backpacking Trip to take place this Friday

This Friday, students will adventure in the Grayson Highlands State Park in Virginia. Students will go camping and hiking through the mountains.

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The Jolly Roger Student Living apartment complex will be at the corner of Charles Boulevard and Fourteenth Street across from the Province apartments.

Jolly Roger under construction

New apartments to be ready for move in by the fall 2021 semester

Margaret McCollum
TEC STAFF

A new apartment building is currently under construction near East Carolina University's campus, named the Jolly Roger student apartments, which is projected to open in Fall 2021.

Dewitt Carolinas, the developer involved with the apartment complex, broke ground on the site for the building on Oct. 3, with members from WIMCO and TA Loving, the general contractors of the project.

Everett Daniels, Dewitt Carolinas president, said Jolly Roger originated as just an idea. After a few years of perfecting design, corresponding with the city of Greenville and finalizing general contractors, the vision became a reality, according to Daniels.



Everett Daniels

'We were happy to officially break ground on this project,' Daniels said. 'We plan to open in the fall of 2021, so about 22 months from now we'll be open and we couldn't be more excited about it.'

Daniels said vertical construction on the building, which is located at the corner of Charles Boulevard and 14th Street, was expected to begin at the end of October. Jolly Roger student apartments will be located across from The Province apartment complexes.

There are expected to be 294 units in the finished building, which will accommodate 804 bedrooms for incoming students, Daniels said. He said the parking deck will have 698 spaces.

Amenities for the apartment complex will include individual and group study rooms, rooftop terraces, lounge areas with wide-screen TVs and a rooftop pool on top of the parking deck which allows for grassy areas around the building, according to Daniels.

'Putting the pool on top of the parking deck allowed us a good deal of green space on the project, which we always like to try to do which is not always possible,' Daniels said. 'We've got some really nice ground-level green space that will be an outdoor amenity area.'

Daniels said the entire building will resemble a dorm at ECU, with electronic key-fob access for the main building as well as for each unit. He said there will be around 200 security cameras on-site to ensure safety for students who live in the residence.

The building itself will be constructed out of steel and concrete, which is non-combustible in the case of fires, provides a sturdy foundation for the apartment and makes the building quieter for residents.

Daniels said there is a substantial number of people working on the project who are involved with ECU, many being graduates of the university, including himself.

Daniels said he graduated from ECU in 2007 with a degree in construction management. He said WIMCO and TA Loving have an executive team and on-site management team consisting of 13 people, nine of which graduated from ECU.

'There's a banner where we put 'built by Pirates for Pirates' that's a big part of where that came from so we're proud of that and that meant a lot to me with ties to ECU,' Daniels

said. 'I love ECU so getting those guys on board and having a lot of pirates on site, it's just a cool thing.'

P.J. Connelly, mayor of Greenville, said he attended the groundbreaking ceremony for the Jolly Roger apartment complex. He said



P.J. Connelly

the ceremony provided an opportunity for celebration on the start of the project and allowed people to meet the contractor and show their ties to ECU.

'The contractors that are going to be working on the job are East Carolina University graduates,' Connelly said. 'So it was a good opportunity to show that Pirates will be working on this project.'

Connelly said the Jolly Roger apartment complex will be within walking distance to ECU for students who commute to the university. He said there are also a variety of businesses and restaurants within walking distance.

Ivette Depaz, a senior business administration major, said she lived in a similar complex near ECU's campus with modern amenities and key-fob security. She said she thinks the Jolly Roger student apartments will be a good fit for students looking for security and luxury amenities.

'It sounds like it's going to be a nice place for those students that want to have peace of mind while living off campus,' Depaz said. 'Students who are new to the university will definitely love all of the amenities.'

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also going to be two panels with speakers. One will be about holistic health and the other will be about social justice and civil rights, and there is also a speaker,' Chappell said.

Melany Conteras, the University of North Carolina (UNC) association of student governments liaison, then talked about the new UNC System presidency vacancy and spoke about a survey for students take with questions relating to what they want in a future president.

'The lowest amount of responses actually came from students, and that's a little bit concerning to me because this person is making big decisions for what's going on in the UNC system as a whole,' Conteras said.

This survey can be found at the UNC System's website under the presidential search tab.

The assembly then turned to a new legislation called the Joyner Support Resolution which would try and reduce the costs of textbooks by giving teachers grants in order to write alternate textbooks for their courses.

Joshua Spears, director of academic affairs, discussed a new textbook cost transparency initiative which would allow students to view a course's textbook cost when regis-



GEORGE MARTIN | THE EAST CAROLINIAN

Wednesday night's SGA meeting brought about discussions of a textbook grant program for students.

tering for classes.

The Alternative Textbook Grant Program would offer professors grants of up to \$1,000 if they were to make a course alternative or a free online textbook in order to reduce the cost to students, Spears said.

'Last year the initiative was filling out all of the awards. This year we have only done seven out of the 10 awards, which means that some of the faculty has lost interest or the program was not highlighted enough,' Spears said.

SGA wants to try and promote this program

to students and faculty in order to get more professors to create these alternative textbooks, and they will be voting on the issue next week, Spears said.

The next issue discussed by the assembly concerned an email sent by a student. The student was concerned about a possible hourly fee for students using the gaming center in the Main Campus Student Center.

Morgan Estes, the speaker of the student assembly, read the email from the student which said, '(She) was disappointed to hear that the

video game lounge which used to operate on a system that allowed students to play for free now requires students to pay a certain amount per an hour to play.'

Representative Eddie Onsare said it was always intended by the university to charge for game room use and brought up the fact that the bowling and games in Mendenhall costs money.

Representative Spears said the fees would be used in order to pay the student workers who are working in the Gaming Room.

Hunter Whittington, the director of local and state affairs for SGA, said, 'If this was a known fee increase, they should have been mar-



Hunter Whittington

keting it as such and they should have been telling people from the jump that this was going to happen.'

Whittington said it has been a common issue for ECU to try and increase fees to students without properly announcing it and having SGA be the ones who are informing students.

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for students to call if they have questions or need help.

Anthony Yocum, inventory control specialist for ECU and clinic sales technician, said he is responsible for the procurement of all medications including the flu vaccinations and getting them out to clinics. Yocum said he pre-orders 16,000 to 18,000 vaccinations as early as January and February.

'Physicians recommend getting the shot in the August/September range so you are protected for longer and it will last the entire flu season,' Yocum said.

Yocum said nothing is live in the flu vaccine but the injection will cause tenderness and someone can still be a carrier if they are

vaccinated. The shot is the dead version of the virus and just enough for your body to pick up on. Where as the intranasal vaccine, nasal spray or mist, is the live version, messier and not as effective, Yocum said.

Yocum said the flu shot is easier to manage rather than dealing with the mist which causes a runny nose.

Yocum said the vaccine takes two weeks to take effect and to get vaccinated as soon as possible with holidays coming up. Holidays are when most people get sick because of the large gathering between entire families. It's best to get the shot now so it takes effect before the holidays when people are around the most susceptible, the elderly and young children.

Freshmen Lylian Treece, intended nursing major, said when flu season comes around she has to be sure to wash her hands a lot more

than what she normally would and avoid unnecessary physical contact with people to minimize her chances of getting sick. She suggests that every student wash their hands as much as possible, or use hand sanitizer to help.



Lylian Treece

She said she gets her flu shot every year because it has really helped prevent her from getting the flu over the years and while the flu virus is ever changing and the vaccine is not guaranteed to stop someone from getting the virus she said it will decrease the severity of the symptoms.

'If you are in your dorm and have the flu, just be considerate of your roommate. They definitely don't want the flu, so try to keep to



MICHAELA EMORY | THE EAST CAROLINIAN

A local Walgreens sign about fighting the flu.

yourself as much as possible, and after you've gotten better you should disinfect your room as well,' Treece said.

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OUR VIEW

Pledge Purple hits ECU

The issues surrounding cases of sexual violence, harassment and bullying are prominent on college campuses today, and East Carolina University's year-long Pledge Purple initiative draws attention to a serious issue.

Pledge Purple Week events spanned throughout this week, beginning Monday and ending this evening with the Take Back the Night March, which will take place at 5 tonight at the Health Sciences Campus Student Center and the Main Campus Student Center (MCSC) at 7.

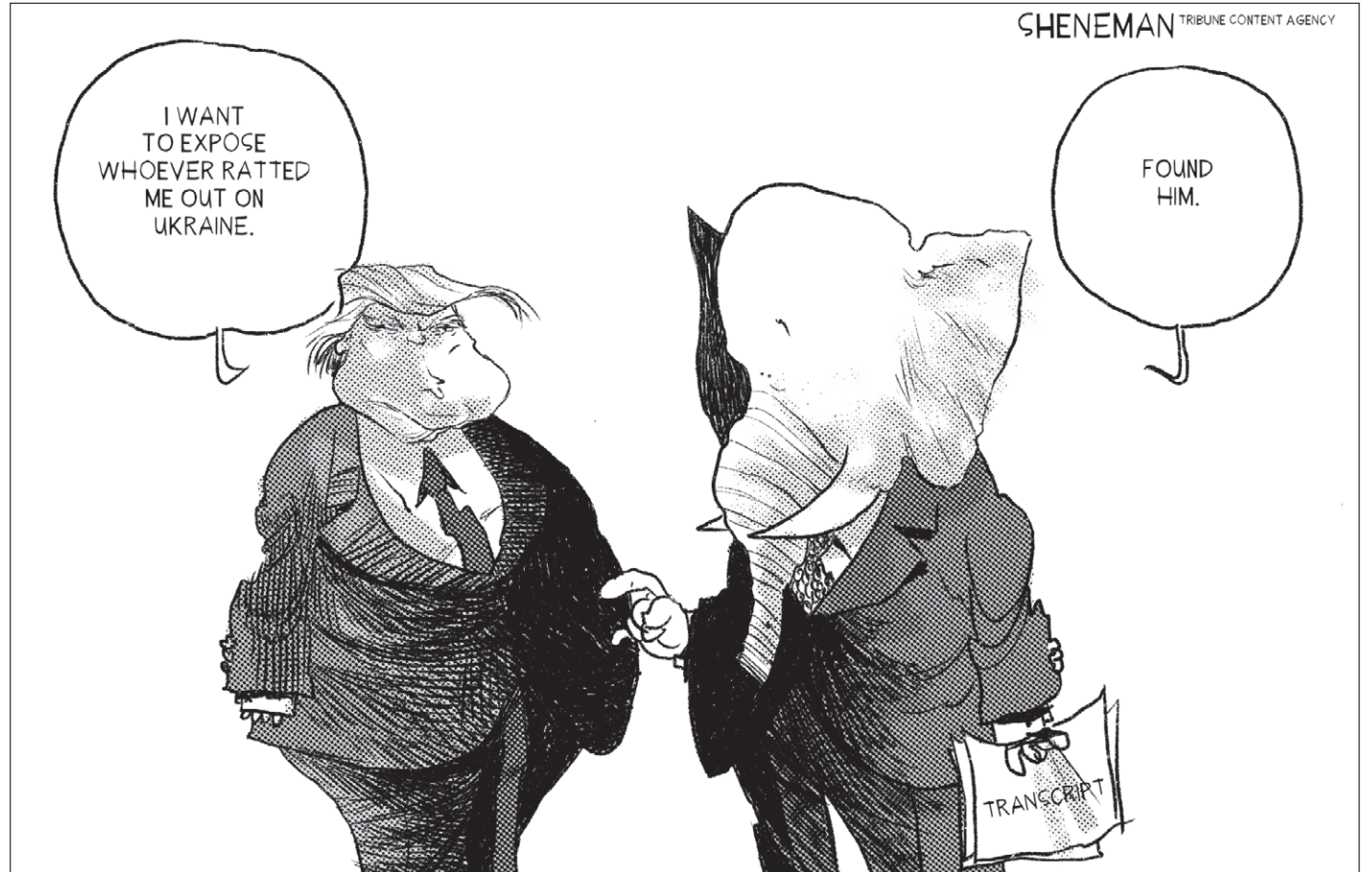
The events brought much-needed attention to the issues of sexual violence, harassment and bullying on campuses, while teaching students about warning signs and ways to cope with or prevent the situations.

We, the editorial staff of The East Carolinian, believe ECU is doing right by its students to dedicate a week to raising awareness to prevent sexual violence, harassment and bullying because students can benefit from being educated further on the subject matter.

There can never be enough education on sexual violence, harassment and bullying prevention, and Pledge Purple gives students the opportunity to expand their knowledge to potentially keep themselves out of a traumatic situation.

Students on Main Campus yesterday were able to sign the Pledge Purple banner on the MCSC Lawn from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. during the resource fair. The signing brought the issue directly to the hands of students, and those who took the pledge made a commitment to supporting the initiative.

Pledge Purple Week, overall, teaches students a valuable lesson in taking prevention and instances of sexual violence, harassment and bullying seriously.



Sexism still exists in athletics

Women are not taken seriously in the sports industry



Lydia Ryan
TEC STAFF

Being a female in the sports industry is harder than one would think. Whether you are a reporter, an analyst, a player or just a fan there are so many preconceived notions about women in sports that many

still have today.

I do not consider myself an athlete by any stretch. I played three years of high school golf and rode horses for years but I always disliked gym class, I don't run and my balance and coordination are questionable. That being said, I have always had a passion for sports. In the beginning it was as a fan, now as a writer and in the future as a career. However, it is frustrating that even in 2019 there is still a layer of misogyny in the sports industry that can't be overlooked.

Women in the sports industry have to work harder to be taken seriously. There isn't an automatic assumption that we know about sports when they are brought up, we have to prove that we have the knowledge base. We still get the surprised face when we dive into a sports conversa-

tion and actually know what we are saying and what is currently happening in the athletic world.

As a fan, the worst thing to deal with is the assumption that I am a fan of an athlete because that person is attractive. Nevermind that Jeff Gordon has 93 NASCAR premier series wins, making him the third most winning driver in NASCAR history, or that he has 4 championships, and the most wins at the Indianapolis speedway of any NASCAR driver. Don't take into account that he founded a children's hospital and is just generally a good person on and off the track during his 23 year career as a driver before his retirement. He is a male athlete so clearly my only reason for being a fan is because I am attracted to him, and just for the record I am not.

From a writing perspective, you have to deal with men in the locker room mentality. You really have to prove that you know what you are doing and how to handle yourself. Not only that but if you say you are a sports fan you sometimes get a sudden pop quiz like the person you are speaking with wants to prove you wrong. I admittedly don't know every aspect of every sport that goes on at any given time. I have always been drawn to the behind

the scenes in the sports industry which has pushed me into becoming a sports reporter and has shaped what I want to do after graduation. I know sports more than some people do, I don't always focus on statistics or play by plays of games, but I can tell you about the press conference and the energy of the team on and off the field.

Fortunately it has improved greatly from the mentality of the past. Female coaches are coaching men's professional sports, girls are becoming kickers and quarterbacks on their high school football teams and women are becoming more respected in the "locker rooms" as reporters, broadcasters and fans in general.

I think the point I am getting at is that I don't have to be an athlete to write about or work in athletics. Just like political reporters don't have to be president to write about the president or news reporters don't have to be a cop to write about cops. If you do your research and work hard you are just as qualified to be at the table as anyone else there.

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Textbooks should be cheaper

Tano Talk



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I believe that the textbooks we are required to have for our classes should be less expensive. Students already have to spend a considerable amount of money on necessities such as other school materials, groceries, etc. If

textbooks were less expensive, or even included in our tuition fees, more students would be willing to purchase them.

Every year, I find myself spending copious amounts of money on textbooks for my classes. I'm fortunate enough to have my parents help with the costs, but I also know many students who have to cover the full price themselves. And these textbooks are not cheap, each one usually costing between \$50 to \$150, with the exception of a few costing more or less. Some classes even require its students to purchase more than one textbook. This means that someone who is taking five classes could end up spending up to \$500 or more on their books.

With prices like this, it's no wonder some students choose to opt out of buying textbooks for their classes altogether. Of course, this is not recommended, as these textbooks are often a necessity for the class, whether they contain homework questions or passages that the student is required to read. Not having these textbooks can seriously affect a student's success in their class.

While some students may choose not to purchase their textbooks

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because of the cost, other students may not have the choice, as they may not have the funds to purchase such materials. Paying to go to college is already expensive enough.

Full-time undergraduate in-state students at ECU, like myself, usually have a tuition cost of approximately \$4,000 to \$6,000 a semester, and \$8,000 to \$12,000 for a school year. Out of state students must pay almost \$12,000 a semester, and \$24,000 a year, unless they apply for student loans, financial aid, or a scholarship. This doesn't include the cost of housing either. So, with textbooks costing almost \$1,000 a year, it's no wonder students choose (or don't have the option) to buy their textbooks.

I believe that if these textbook prices were lowered, more students would be encouraged to purchase them. However, I also believe ECU can do more than just lower the prices of textbooks. Some colleges, such as Appalachian State University, have adapted a free textbook rental service for their full-time students, which is included in the price of tuition. Students just need a valid student ID to present to the bookstore.

This system has had positive feedback from many students and parents of students who attend Appalachian State University. I have friends that go to school there and they have

expressed to me their appreciation for their textbook system, as without it, they probably wouldn't have purchased their books. I can imagine that students here would appreciate it too.

However, there are a few ways ECU students can get out of paying the full costs for their textbooks. Textbook rental websites, such as Chegg and Knetbooks, allow students to rent their textbooks for the semester, and for a much cheaper cost than the cost of renting textbooks from Dowdy or University Book Exchange. I discovered these sites my sophomore year, and they have been my saving grace since. You just have to pay for shipping.

Textbooks are a necessity for a student's success in college. With how much students and their families already pay for education, I believe that textbooks should at least be a cheaper commodity. Cheaper textbooks, or a textbook rental service like the one that Appalachian State University has put into place, would allow for more students to access the materials they need to succeed in their classes.

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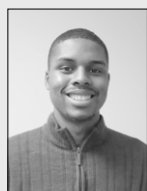
TEC 'sports

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

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SMU 42-27. ECU proved that it can compete with one of the nation's best at home against

UC. Sophomore quarterback Holton Ahlers had his best game against the Bearcats. I do not think he will have another such performance against the Mustangs. SMU will take advantage of being at home and win by at least two scores on Saturday.

Brendan Gillespie

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SMU 45-24. This game will be ECU's toughest yet. No. 23 SMU leads the AAC and the nation

in sacks per game. A hurting ECU offensive line will get even more banged up this weekend. C.J. Johnson will continue to emerge as ECU's next 1,000-yard receiver, but may not get the ball a lot against SMU, especially if Holton is facing continuous defensive pressure.

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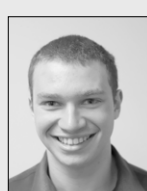
SMU 45-17. SMU is one of the best offensive units in the FBS, averaging better than 40 points

per game. Quarterback Shane Buechele ranks eighth in the nation by averaging 309 passing yards per game while SMU's defense is currently pacing the nation with 4.44 sacks per contest. That, combined with a potent offensive attack, should be enough to defeat the Pirates.

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SMU 49-28. SMU has shown the ability to put up points. Even in its sole loss all year

they still managed to put up 48 points. The problem for the Mustangs is that their defense has given up an average of 31 points per game. ECU should take some of the swagger from their last game and be able to score.

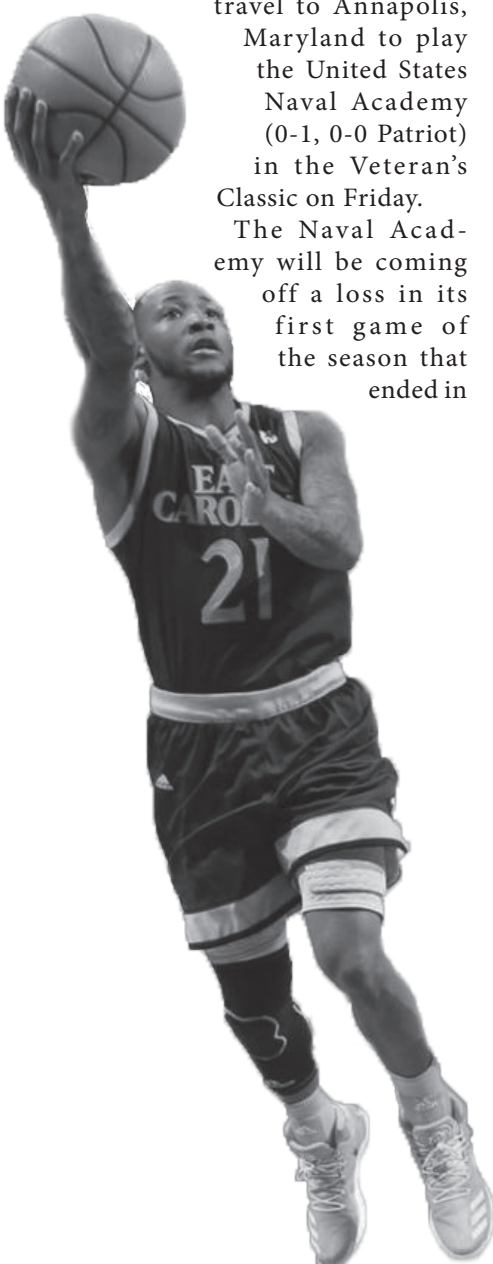
ECU takes home opener

Pirates defeat VMI in opener, set to play Navy

Lydia Ryan
TEC STAFF

After winning the first game of the season against Virginia Military Institute (0-1, 0-0 SoCon) by the score of 80-68, East Carolina University (1-0, 0-0 AAC) men's basketball team will travel to Annapolis, Maryland to play the United States Naval Academy (0-1, 0-0 Patriot) in the Veteran's Classic on Friday.

The Naval Academy will be coming off a loss in its first game of the season that ended in



Former ECU basketball player B.J. Tyson takes a shot.

"The whole team, like in practice, they have been telling me to work hard, it's your chance."

-Tristen Newton

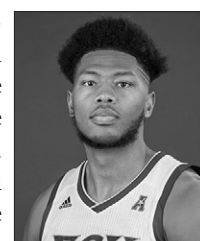
overtime by the score of 68-55. Navy started junior guard Cam Davis who went on to be their leading scorer for the game with 14 points and made 2-of-3 free throws in his 41 minutes of play.

Another key player for Navy was sophomore guard Greg Summers. In his 32 minutes of game time he earned Navy 13 points, making 3-of-5 free throw attempts and led his team with eight rebounds.

As a team, Navy finished its first home game with a three point field goal percentage of 20% and a free throw percentage of 62.9%. They had a combined total of 44 rebounds and 19 turnovers.

"Great effort by our squad," Navy head coach Ed DeChellis in a press release. "I like the way we were resilient and had a chance to win the game. We just didn't make the play we needed to make to win it."

For ECU, sophomore forward Jayden Gardner was the highest scorer for the game with 28 points. Despite a small spill and leg cramp in the second period, he returned to the court



Jayden Gardner

after being checked on the sideline. By the end of the game Gardner also acquired a double-double, scoring double digits in both points (28) and rebounds (11).

Second leading scorer for ECU was freshman guard Tristen Newton. The freshman finished his first col-

legiate game with 20 points and three rebounds, shooting 83.3% from the free throw line to go along with 60% shooting from the three-point line.



Tristen Newton

"The whole team, like in practice, they have been telling me to work hard, it's your chance, work hard, so they got me prepared. So it's all thanks to them," Newton said.

ECU won the game against VMI 80-68. After shaking first game jitters in the first half, the Pirates made significant improvements to their stats in the second half of the game. Improving their three point percentage 11.43% and their free throws by 12.5%. They finished the game with 44 rebounds, 17 assists, and 13 turnovers.

"We had jitters, like we expected, especially early in the game," head coach Joe Dooley said. "We got a little discombobulated for a while offensively, and turned it over, did some layups. I thought our defense changed in the second half. Obviously we didn't give up as many easy layups."

The Veteran's Classic against the United States Naval Academy will be this Friday in Annapolis, Maryland. Tip-off is scheduled 8:30 p.m.

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ton said. "They are going to play an up-tempo style. Maybe not quite as fast as UCF, but still, they are going to play an up-tempo game. They do everything. They're going to formation us all over the place. They're going to run every trick play in the book. We're going to have to do a really good job of being disciplined and being dialed in to our responsibilities and being aggressive."

Proche has helped SMU amass the 11th-best passing offense in the FBS, accounting for nearly 30% of the Mustangs' receiving yards. In the place of Roberson, freshman wide receiver Rashee Rice racked up over 100 yards against Memphis, giving him 226 on the season and placing him fourth on the roster in that category.

With that passing attack, which also includes junior tight end Kylen Granson (432 receiving yards) and senior wide receiver Myron Gaillard (176 receiving yards), SMU ranks eighth in the nation by averaging nearly 510 yards per game in 2019.

On the rushing side of the football, the Mustangs have a running back nearing 1,000 yards on the year. As a team, SMU has posted the 42nd-best rushing offense in the FBS (191 yards per game) with senior Xavier Jones leading the way with 906 yards.

Over the past two games, rush defense has limited the Pirates' success as they allowed over 300 yards on the ground in each contest. Overall, ECU ranks 108th out of 130 FBS teams in rush defense this season, allowing an average of 204.3 per game.



Mike Houston

"It's something we've got to improve on, there's no doubt," Houston said. "We look every week at why things happen, and you've got to do a great job fundamentally. You've got to do a great job schematically. We've got to continue to do a great job with development. Obviously, here in year one you're trying to lay those foundational things and the players understand the importance right there."

In his second season at SMU, Mustangs head coach Sonny Dykes seems to have laid that foundation with his program. While possessing one of the best offensive units in the nation, SMU also owns a defensive group that can rival the best in the FBS.

Led by senior linebacker Patrick Nelson



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Wide receiver Deondre Farrier holds on for a reception against the University of Cincinnati.

and senior defensive end Delontae Scott, the Mustangs pace the nation by averaging 4.44 sacks per contest. Paired with at least 385 yards of total offense every game, SMU has racked up at least one sack in each contest and 40 total on the season.

Between them, Nelson and Scott have 16.5 sacks and 25 total tackles for loss. Averaging 1.06 sacks per game, Nelson ranks eighth in the nation individually while the Mustangs' defense has forced 17 turnovers through nine games, the 15th-best mark in the FBS.

"They (SMU) have tremendous depth in their defensive front," Houston said. "They're very diverse on the backend with their coverages and do a lot of things back there. They're going to take chances. They're going to be very aggressive. They're going to make some big plays. Hopefully we can capitalize and maybe make some big plays of our own. I think they're a solid football team. There's a reason they were 7-0."

Big plays are something ECU's offense had little problem with last week against Cincinnati as Ahlers racked up 535 passing yards, becoming the first Pirate quarterback to reach the 500-yard mark in school history.

On the receiving side, freshman wide receiving C.J. Johnson a conference- and school-record with 283 yards on 12 catches, giving him 682 yards on the season. As a team, ECU's 638 total yards last Saturday ranked as the eighth most in school history.

Going against a Mustang defense that ranks third in the nation with 8.8 tackles for loss per game and loves to get after the quarter-

back, however, is a Pirate offensive line that has been battling injuries. While Ahlers was not sacked against Cincinnati, both junior right guard Sean Bailey and sophomore right tackle Matt Morgan missed the game with injuries.

While Morgan is listed behind redshirt freshman right tackle Noah Henderson on ECU's depth chart for this week, Bailey is not found, leaving senior Branden Pena at right guard for the second straight game and keeping junior center John Spellacy at that position.

Nevertheless the flux on the offensive line, the Pirates posted their best offensive game of the season against the Bearcats, showcasing an ability to keep up with a nationally ranked opponent.

"They were loose, not uptight, but very focused and locked in," Houston said about his team ahead of last Saturday's game. "I think they felt confident in each other. It all goes back to your preparation. We've got to have a great week of practice. We have a huge challenge in front of us, so we've got to really focus on doing things right every day. That's what it really comes down to. Do right."

This week of preparation will be shorter in a sense due to the 11 a.m. local time kickoff in Dallas on Saturday. Still though, it's something both teams must deal with and adjust to with their weeks of practice. Slated to be 22-point underdogs, it will be up to the offense to replicate its performance from last Saturday while the defense will look to rebound against the run against a really solid opponent.

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Aries (March 21-April 19) -- Today is a 6 -- Share dreams and aspirations. Imagine your desired results as already achieved. Picture something seemingly impossible as realized. Rest and recharge. Organize and plan.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22) -- Today is an 8 -- Put your talent to work for a team effort. Work out budgets and benefits. Keep your wits about you. Ask for more and get it.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) -- Today is an 8 -- Illustrate your vision for domestic renovations. Imagine possibilities and research potential options. Make a dream board to collect creative ideas. Share with your household.

Taurus (April 20-May 20) -- Today is a 7 -- Reach out to your networks for support with a challenge. Long-term dreams for a group project can be achieved with disciplined collaboration. Articulate and share.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) -- Today is an 8 -- Engage in creative partnership. Make plans to realize a shared dream. You can find the resources. Articulate in detail the long-term results you'd like.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) -- Today is a 9 -- Articulate your vision and share it far and wide. Provide clear, simple arguments, illustrated persuasively. The excellent work you've been doing is getting attention.

Gemini (May 21-June 20) -- Today is an 8 -- Heed the voice of experience. Keep your own score. Maintain budgets and timelines. Strengthen foundations and structures. Disciplined efforts can help you realize a dream.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) -- Today is a 7 -- Listen and learn. Share your health and work concerns with someone who always tells the truth. Look at a challenge from a new point of view.

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) -- Today is a 9 -- Discover an excellent, innovative idea. Consider potential costs. Obsess over the details, and don't get your hopes too high. Advance and adapt on the fly.

Cancer (June 21-July 22) -- Today is an 8 -- Figure out how to pay for a dream exploration. Nebulous possibilities take shape with focused action. Consider angels, ancestors and future generations.

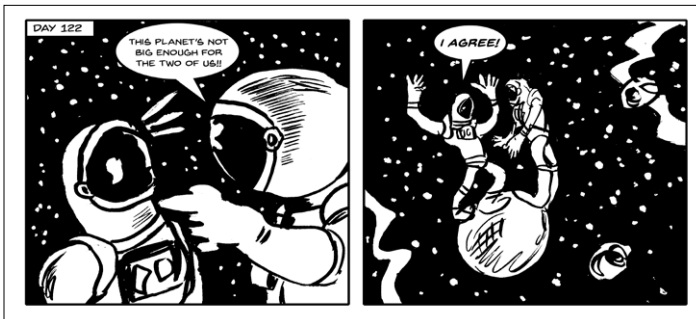
Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) -- Today is a 7 -- Indulge romantic dreams, especially when current realities don't match your vision. Find out what's required. Once you see what's underneath, you can build it stronger. Persist.

Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20) -- Today is an 8 -- Heed expert advice, even when you don't agree. It may not look like it, but conditions favor personal advancement. Persistent practice pays off.

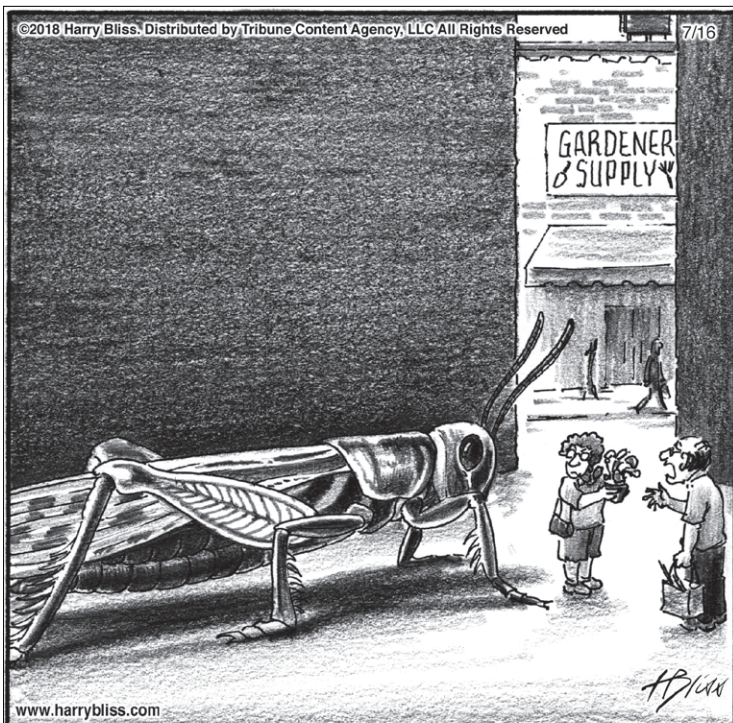
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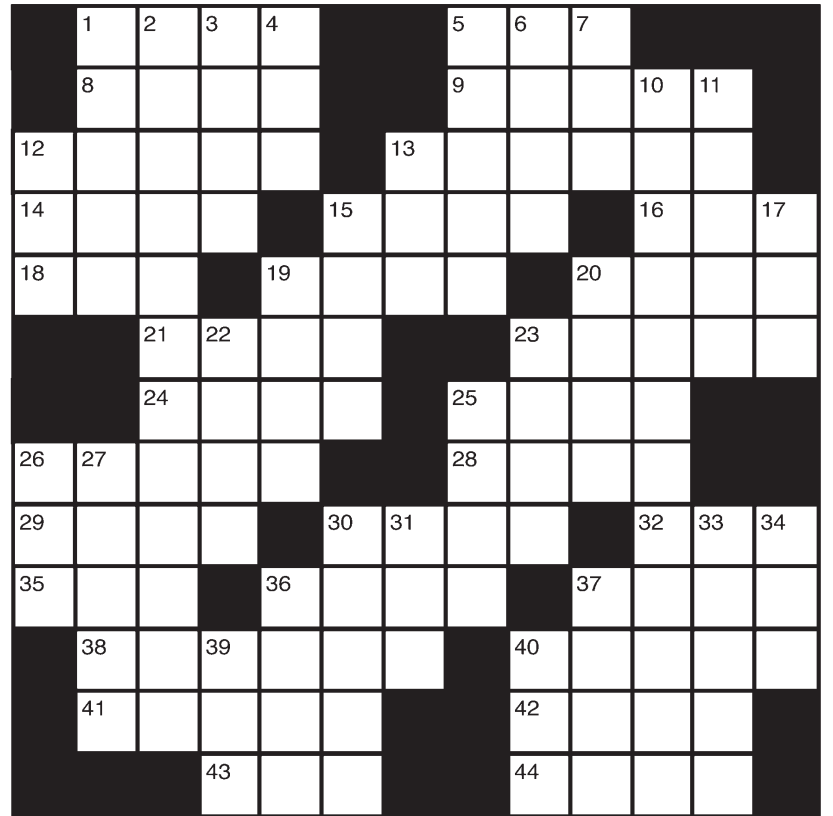


"For heaven's sake, Rozlyn, just give him the darn plant!"

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ACROSS

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- 5 "Judging ___"
- 8 "One Life to ___"
- 9 "Without a ___"
- 12 Had a meal
- 13 "___ Fear"; Richard Gere movie
- 14 Film for Warren Beatty and Diane Keaton
- 15 Majors and Marvin
- 16 Caustic soap ingredient
- 18 Junior naval officer: abbr.
- 19 "___ Plus 8"
- 20 "Anything ___"; Woody Allen film
- 21 "My Three ___"
- 23 Main character in "The Little Mermaid"
- 24 College credit
- 25 Sheriff Andy Taylor's son
- 26 Valuable item
- 28 Clark ___; Superman's secret identity
- 29 Drinks like Fido
- 30 Gabor and Mendes
- 32 "The ___ Couple"
- 35 Anger

- 36 Actress Erin ___
- 37 "Live ___ or Die Hard"; movie for Bruce Willis
- 38 "Lights, camera, ___!"
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- 41 "X-Men: The Last ___"
- 42 To ___; exactly
- 43 Take advantage of
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- 3 Arden and Plumb
- 4 "___ and Stacey"
- 5 "___ Grows in Brooklyn"; Dorothy McGuire movie
- 6 Noninvasive diagnostic tests, for short
- 7 Sweet potato
- 10 Role on "Grey's Anatomy"
- 11 Meredith Baxter's role on "Family Ties"
- 12 Rap's Dr. ___
- 13 "Ace Ventura: ___ Detective"; Jim Carrey film
- 15 "___ Man Standing"
- 17 Snakelike fish
- 19 Make a sweater
- 20 Moran of "Happy Days"
- 22 Small bills
- 23 "Rise of the Planet of the ___"
- 25 Acceptable
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- 27 Rue and Gilbert
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- 33 Actress Bo ___
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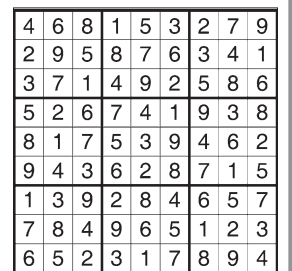
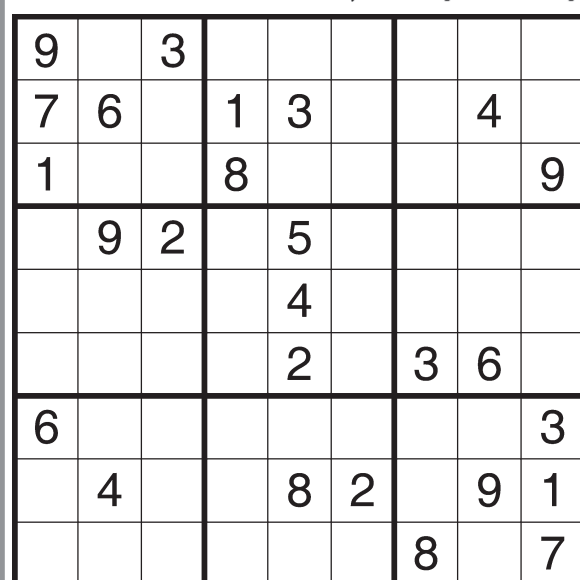
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6 p.m.

Comic Book Club
Smashed Waffles
7 p.m.

TOMORROW

African American Music Series: Marshall Keys
Emerge Gallery and Art Center
7 p.m.

High Plains Drifters Concert
The State Theatre
8 p.m.

SATURDAY

The Breakfast Club with Trainwreck
The State Theatre
8 p.m.

Guardian's Warlock, Alert the Media, and Thundering Herd
Backdoor Skate Shop
8 p.m.

Masquerade Gala Scholarship Benefit
Burnette Studio Theatre
7 p.m.

Art and yoga to come together

Greenville Museum of Art offers insight to Indian culture

Sarah Hooper
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The Greenville Museum of Art will welcome YogiVibes into its gallery Saturday for a yoga session taught by instructor Frannie Ayers. The session will be held at 10:30 a.m. in Linda Adele Goodline's "Blue Jackal Under the Tree" exhibit based around Indian culture.

Museum Executive Director, Trista Reis Porter, mentioned how the relationship came about between The Greenville Museum of Art and YogiVibes. She said YogiVibes has been a partner with the museum in the past and she was happy they reached out once again to collaborate.

"Someone involved with the museum before I arrived here had approached YogiVibes originally...I got in touch with them again so we could start the partnership again," Porter said.

"They were excited to get to work again, and so were we."

Porter also mentioned how well the current exhibit and the planned yoga sessions mix. The current exhibit at the museum is "Blue Jackal Under the Tree,"



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Linda Adele Goodline's 'Blue Jackal Under the Tree.'

which focuses around Indian culture and how yoga originally stemmed from it.

Greenville Museum of Art office coordinator Erik Castillo has previously attended these sessions with YogiVibes, which began in 2018, and were restarted this fall. Castillo also attended sessions of yoga at his previous workplace, which helped him prepare more for these sessions.

"Art and yoga have a symbiotic relationship: art can be soothing and so can yoga. They work off each other really well," Castillo said. "We get between five to ten people at these sessions, so it's pretty small. They're quite intimate classes, which makes them more enjoyable for everyone."

The sessions in the galleries are held

bimonthly, each second and fourth Saturday of the month. Porter said the classes are planned through early January 2020, with future session dates to be announced.

As for class fees, 50% toward the museum's outreach programs throughout the Greenville community, which reaches out to citizens of all ages, according to Castillo.

"Our visual arts academy for elementary school students is supported by the class fees. We want to make the museum more accessible for families...we also do senior citizen outreach with Cypress Glen," Castillo said. "The ultimate goal is to make art either free or affordable to the community and to widen our audience."

The certified as a yoga instructor at this upcoming session, Frannie Ayers, mentioned how yoga helped her overcome anxiety and negative self-perception. Ayers said her goal is to help participants build a connect within themselves.

"I wanted to become a yoga teacher to help someone else experience the love and appreciation for this practice that I've learned to have," Ayers said. "By learning to connect with my mind and my body, I was able to feel happy and stress free."

The class is \$20 and will take place from 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Attendees can register in advance on the YogiVibes website.



Frannie Ayers

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REVIEW

Lambert throws in her 'Wildcard'



Lydia Ryan
TEC STAFF

Country music singer Miranda Lambert is no stranger to adding humor to her music and her latest album "Wildcard" is no exception.

RCA Records Nashville released Lambert's seventh solo studio album on Nov. 1, entitled "Wildcard." The album's name remains true to Lambert and her rougher country sound. Compared to her "The Weight of These Wings" album released in 2016, "Wildcard" is more consistent with the sound that Lambert fans are used to hearing.

Lambert has never been a stranger to writing or picking songs that have humor to them. Not only does she do this solo, but with her band Pistol Annies as well. On "Wildcard" you can definitely find these token songs that make you chuckle. She does this right out the gate with the first track "White Trash."

While the lyrics of "White Trash" joke about how Lambert can't seem to hide her white trash roots despite her success and money, the song was a little odd to listen to instrumentally. The banjo and drum beat were pleasant enough,

but after the first chorus a minute into the song there is a startling transition that will make one check to see if the track accidentally got skipped. The drums and banjo completely drop off and an entirely new guitar riff starts for about 10 seconds before everything returns to normal.

A little further into the album you find another nugget of humor. Fellow country musician Marren Morris collaborated with Lambert on track six "Way Too Pretty for Prison." Morris and Lambert sing about how they are trying to get rid of the cheating man in their lives, but that their lives would be far from glamorous behind bars.

The 14-track album isn't Lambert's best album, but it is far from her worst. She highlights several key styles that she has stayed true to throughout her career that I feel were lost in her last album due to its length.

The final track on the album, "Dark Bars," was hands down my favorite from the album. For me personally I enjoyed the slow down and the darker tones of the song. If I had to pick a least favorite it would probably be "It All Comes Out in the Wash."

I think this album will bring Lambert's



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Miranda Lambert's studio album 'Wildcard.'

name back to the forefront of country music and stand as a reminder that she hasn't taken a step back.

RATING:



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East Carolina University Storybook Theater 'Gooney Bird Greene' cast members pose in costumes.

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the elementary and middle schools of Greenville. Her role as stage manager is to make sure everyone is exactly where they need to be.

"I remember when I was in elementary school and middle school, and seeing those original performances is what got me into doing it as a career, so I love getting a chance to help spark that inspiration in those students," Armstrong said.

This is a performance that will be fun for anyone who comes. This is a show for all audiences, for all ages, and it lets people get into what she calls a "Gooney energy" while having a lot of fun, according to Armstrong.

Tickets for reserved seating in Wright Auditorium for "Gooney Bird Greene" are \$15 for both students and the general public, and can be found on the ECU Theater Arts website under the Family Fare Individual Performances tag.

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