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Stalking crimes recognized on ECU Campus

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In an effort to protect the East Carolina University community from the dangers of stalking, ECU Police Department (PD) and university staff continue to promote National Stalking Awareness Month throughout the month of January with educational resources.

Chelsie Hargrove, director of the Women and Gender Office (WGO), who goes by they/them pronouns, said they have used this month to teach students and faculty about the warning signs of stalking behavior and the types of resources available for victims.

"National Stalking Awareness Month was created to increase public understanding of the crime of stalking," Hargrove said. "To raise awareness about stalking and help develop and implement multidisciplinary responses to all the crimes."

January 2023 is the 19th annual month commemorating National Stalking Awareness, Hargrove said, and it is important to give victims education and resources to combat the harmful crime.

ECU PD and the WGO gave a joint lecture on stalking awareness on Jan. 18, and Hargrove said the lecture discussed potential warning signs of stalking and a number of safety tips and resources.

"Some of the things ECU PD highlighted in our safety speech was not to normalize stalking, not to normalize using the word stalking whenever it isn't stalking," Hargrove said. "So like one of the examples I actually gave was when someone says, 'I've been stalking you on facebook and you're so cute.'"

Using the term stalking in a casual way minimizes the impact of a victim who has seriously been stalked, Hargrove said, a harmful behavior that shouldn't be taken lightly.

Assistant Police Chief of ECU PD Jason Sugg said stalkers are typically a former romantic partner or someone aspiring to have a romantic relationship. In these cases, he said the stalker develops a fixation on the victim.

Sugg said stalking behaviors can manifest in many ways, but typically the police department would consider being followed, as well as receiving unwanted messages, phone calls and communication, as potential cases of stalking.

"I would consider these warning signs, especially if it's accompanied by someone that you had a relationship with or someone who has tried to talk to you several times and you've rebuffed that person, but they continue to follow you

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The 'Bar 2022' Ordinance, the five-foot restriction put on bars in Greenville, NC will be lifted allowing for more business to be added.

Greenville ordinance stirs change

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"They (new bars) can't be more than 2,000 square feet, they have to do extra things in terms of security, they

have to obtain their special use permit in order to open, and they get that from city of Greenville's Board of Adjustment," Letchworth said.

The special use permit can be revoked, Letchworth said, specifically if there are instances of a bar not following the security and safety guidelines set by the Greenville City Council.

Letchworth said Bar 2022 was implemented because the previous 500-foot rule restricted a variety of potential entrepreneurship ventures from occurring in Uptown.

"The 500-foot rule was a little too restrictive and did not allow for new opportunities, such as smaller bars that aren't like clubs that are geared towards a younger crowd, the college crowd, but more something for young professionals," Letchworth said.

City Council District 4 Representative Rick Smiley said the council has been discussing amendments to the previous bar restrictions since 2021.

After the ordinance was first introduced, Smiley said it went through a rigorous process of public conversation

and discourse throughout 2022 until it was finalized and passed on Jan. 12, 2023.

"There was some sense of, 'Hey, is there something we can do to let people open up new establishments if they followed some rules,' that conversation's been going on for a couple of years," Smiley said.

When a new bar wants to open up Uptown, Smiley said the bar can lose its special use permit if it is found to disobey safety standards, violate drinking laws or if criminal events occur at the bar.

The ordinance has been amended throughout the last several years since it was first introduced, Smiley said, and the week before being approved another amendment was passed.

"A change last week was originally the bar couldn't be over 3,500 square feet, but what was passed was actually more restrictive and the bar can't be over 2,000 square feet," Smiley said.

The 500-foot rule was put in place a decade ago, and Smiley said since then many bars have gone out of business and new ones could not open up to replace them because of how restrictive it was.

The council has been approached by residents and entrepreneurs in an effort to alter the rule, Smiley said, primarily because most of the bars Uptown cater to college-aged kids.



Rick Smiley

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Pirates looks to sweep Memphis in conference play

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TEC STAFF

East Carolina University women's basketball (14-6, 5-2 American Athletic Conference) will host the University of Memphis (11-8, 3-3 AAC) today at 6 p.m. in Williams Arena at Minges Coliseum for Pitt County Schools day.



Danae McNeal

This game, the teams' second meet of the season, will be streamed on ESPN+ for fans to watch. Two weeks prior, East Carolina took the win against Memphis 55-47. The Pirates had the lead at halftime 29-26 following their field goal percentages in the first and second

quarter. ECU senior guard Micah Dennis had the team's only three-pointer of the first and there was only one three-point shot in the second from senior guard Danae McNeal for the Pirates.

The pair of seniors led the team in points with 20 from McNeal and 13 from Dennis. The three-point shots mentioned were the only ones made for East Carolina the entire game, although there were eight other attempts.

ECU made 34 points in the paint and capitalized with 24 points made on turnovers from the Tigers. The lead was tied late in the first quarter and did not happen again until the beginning of the third. The game was kept close, as the largest score margin was five between the times the game was tied.

During the third quarter, the Pirates had

an offensive struggle and only put up five points. The team's percentages in field goals dropped to 14%.

By the end of the third quarter, Memphis was in the lead with a three-point edge. In the fourth quarter ECU was able to pull ahead enough to keep the win.

Dennis created her high of six rebounds in the season during the game and has since matched the number two other times since the game against Memphis.

The Pirates last game was against Wichita State University (12-8, 2-5 AAC) last Saturday in Wichita, Kansas. This was the first time in program history East Carolina won in Wichita, Kansas, since the teams started competing against each other in the 2017-2018 season.

Freshman forward Amiya Joyner has seven

double doubles in the season and is tied for third most double doubles in the American alongside a player from Wichita State.

East Carolina earned 40 points off of the Shockers' turnovers which is above the team's 26 turnovers created in a game, according to the American.

There were over at least 20 points scored in the second and fourth quarter from the Pirates which allowed them to pull away with the lead late in the half and for the win in the fourth.

Following tonight's game against the Tigers, the Pirates will be on the road against the University of South Florida (18-4, 7-0 AAC) next Tuesday in Tampa, Florida at the Yuengling Center.

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ONLINE

» ONLINE: EDM group Moon Base Project to perform at State Theatre.

» POLL: Are you going to cheer on the women's basketball team tonight?

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NEW PRINTING SCHEDULE

Due to changes with our printer's scheduling, The East Carolinian will begin releasing its print edition on Thursdays beginning 2/9/23. We look forward to continuing to provide you campus and community coverage throughout the week, both online and in print!

Questions may be directed to editor@theeastcarolinian.com.

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BRIEFS

SGA to hold student assembly

Today, the Student Government Association will hold its weekly student assembly. The meeting will take place from 6 to 8 p.m. in Ballroom C of the Main Campus Student Center.

HHP to hold general interest meeting

Today, the Helping Hand Project will hold a general interest meeting for those interested in learning about ways to help the limb difference community. The meeting will take place from 6 to 7 p.m. in the Isley Innovation Hub.

Meeting to be held by Greenville's board of

Tomorrow, the town Board of Adjustment will meet. The meeting is scheduled to take place from 6 to 8 p.m. at the City Hall Council Chambers.

Career services to hold Job fair for nursing majors

Monday, ECU Career Services will be hosting a job fair for nursing majors. The event will take place from 4 to 6 p.m. in the ECU College of Nursing Health Sciences Building room 1120.

CORRECTIONS & CLARIFICATIONS

If you feel there are any factual errors in this newspaper, please contact Emily Peek at editor@theeastcarolinian.com.

CRIME LOGS

Editor's Note: The East Carolinian Crime Logs are derived from East Carolina University Police Department's (ECU PD) public crime logs accessible to all individuals. Crime Logs are done within the partnership of ECU PD and The East Carolinian, as this publication is meant to act as an additional resource for Pirate Nation. Below are listings of criminal activity that has occurred on or within proximity of main campus.

Jan. 19, 2023

On 10th St. and Enrul Street charges of Warrant Service for Other Agency and Possession of Marijuana < 1/2 oz. was cleared by arrest and citation at 1:25 a.m.

At 9:02 p.m. on Curry Court, Resist, Delay, or Obstruct an Officer and Warrant Service for Other Agency was cleared by arrest.

Jan. 20, 2023

etween Jan. 18 at 5 p.m. and Jan. 20 at 2 a.m., Injury to Real Property was found and has an open investigation in Fletcher Residence Hall

Jan. 21, 2023

At Jones Residence Hall there is an ongoing open investigation following Injury to Real Property charges that took place between Jan. 20 at 10 p.m. and Jan. 21 at 12:06 a.m.

At PVA South of Garret Residence Hall, Underage Drinking was cleared by citation at 1:19 a.m.

A DWI was issued on Fifth St. and Maple Street at 1:51 a.m. and was cleared by arrest.



Students like Bailey Anderson, a sophomore nursing major, utilize the many computers and study rooms at Joyner Library to get work done in a quiet space.

Artificial chatbots spark conversation

Eli Baine
TEC STAFF

As developments in Artificial Intelligence (AI) continue on the rise, East Carolina University faculty weigh in on how AI programs, such as OpenAI's Chat GPT, may help or hinder academic writing in the future.

Senior teaching instructor of the English Department Timm Hackett said the main issue surrounding programs such as these is the potential for plagiarism.

ECU's primary plagiarism detector is Turnitin, Hackett said, but this specific program has no way of knowing who or what wrote the assignments it looks over.

"It's (ChatGPT) generating something that's new, so it will fall out of the realm of Turnitin being able to detect it," Hackett said.

Despite the difficulties a professor might face trying to prove if a piece of writing is AI-generated or not, Hackett said ChatGPT and other chatbots are not much of a threat to academic integrity at the moment. Currently, Hackett said it is easy to tell if a student's writing is their own.

Actual students write with more emotion and expression, Hackett said. After experimenting with ChatGPT personally, he said



Timm Hackett

the writing the program produced was not high quality.

"One of my colleagues called it (AI writing) soulless," Hackett said. "If you ask it (ChatGPT) to do something, it will do it, but it doesn't do it actually very well quite yet."

Even so, Hackett said ChatGPT can be useful to students without breaking any academic integrity rules. He said he asked the program for 10 peer-reviewed sources for a research paper, and ChatGPT provided them.

Creative writers can also find use in AI, Hackett said.

"It's (ChatGPT) a wonderful tool to get you past writer's block," Hackett said. "I've actually tried it. I put in, 'help me plot a story about World War II and its spies,' and it actually generates ideas."

Associate Professor of English Erin Frost wrote in an email statement ChatGPT has not changed the department's academic integrity policy since there are already strict enough measures against plagiarism.

Frost wrote AI has more opportunity for enhancing research and education than it does to harm it.

"It (ChatGPT) might be a great way to generate a model text, engage in new types of invention processes, or explore how AI writes differently than humans," Frost wrote.

ChatGPT can be a great tool for writers, Frost said. Most people base their writing off

other texts anyways, she wrote, so AI introduces an infinite amount of inspiration.

There are many other AI programs that will become significant in academic writing, Frost wrote, some that include programs like Talk to Books, Sheet Plus, and BearlyAI.

"I think there is great potential for AI like ChatGPT to be used as a tool for writing and learning about writing," Frost wrote.

Director of the Office of Student Rights and Responsibilities (OSRR) Leila Faranesh said academic integrity policy is determined by the faculty, but the OSRR administers the policy after receiving a report from a faculty member.

The OSRR has not received an academic integrity report involving AI yet, Faranesh said, but the office has discussed the possibility of AI chatbots creating issues in the coming years.

"I'm assuming that we will get some reports eventually, but right now we're mainly working with what we have," Faranesh said. "We're preparing for the future."

Instructors could require short writings to be completed in class to get a sense of each student's true writing ability, Faranesh said.

The issue of AI chatbots is similar to the use of ghostwriters, Faranesh said, as it is also a situation where a student is submitting an original work, but it is not their own.

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around," Sugg said.

When an individual is leaving a relationship with a history of toxic and controlling behavior, Sugg said it is important to be aware of their surroundings, as this can be a common time for stalking to manifest.

If an individual suspects they are being stalked, Sugg said the best thing to do is document all of the messages, phone calls and contact they have with their stalker.

"My advice to anyone out there who feels like they're in a situation or they know that they're in a situation that they may be getting stalked, or you see warning signs or flags and feel like it's escalating to a stalking situation, go ahead (and) feel free to reach out to your local law enforcement," Sugg said.

ECU PD will give advice to victims and help determine the best course of action to alleviate the distress caused by a stalker, Sugg said. Depending on the severity of the case, he said the police may start a criminal investigation.

Sugg said he understands it can be uncomfortable to go to the police. ECU offers many resources other than the police for students who may feel threatened and unsafe, he said, such as the Dean of Students and the Center for Counseling and Student Development.

Hudson Fortuny, freshman business major, said she did not know it was National Stalking Awareness month and had not seen any of the advertisements promoting events for stalking awareness, but if she had she would have been interested in attending.

"I had no idea that there was even a month dedicated to stalking awareness, but I'm a bit of a crime junkie and I would've liked to attend seminars to learn more about what stalking really is and all that," Fortuny said.

To prevent herself and her loved ones from becoming victims of stalking, harassment and other violent crimes, Fortuny said she frequently listens to true crime podcasts and watches true crime documentaries and has learned most stalking cases begin with an unreciprocated love

Fortuny said she has learned many stalking cases begin after an abusive relationship ends and potential victims should look out for warning signs, like unwanted repeated messages.

"I've heard that it (stalking) can start after a toxic relationship and right after you break up your ex can become obsessed with having control over you, so they start following you, obsessively texting you, and my fear would be that it escalates to physically hurting you," Fortuny said.

Oftentimes, Fortuny said, stalking can begin with non-threatening behaviors and people minimize the situation by claiming it is an innocent crush, but the behavior can quickly escalate.

Fortuny said when someone notices warning signs of repetitive text messages, seeing someone repetitively where they normally wouldn't be or receiving messages of someone over imagining their relationship and interactions it is important to take notice.



Jason Sugg

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"There are businesses that would like to open and groups of customers that would like to be served that just aren't fitting under the 500-foot rule as it existed," Smiley said.

Ryan Griffin, owner of Nash Hot Chicken, said he owns and operates the restaurant and bar on Fifth Street and expects the business to be impacted by the Bar 2022 ordinance.

Nash is only in its infancy since it officially opened to the public in March 2022, Griffin said, but he hopes the ordinance positively impacts entrepreneurship Uptown.

"We're (Nash) rolling with the punches with this bar rule and the parking downtown and all that's going on, so we're just trying to stay low and make sure that we provide a great experience," Griffin said.

The 500-foot rule was highly contested, Griffin said, and since it was preventing an increase in business Uptown, he is glad it is no longer in effect.

Griffin said his knowledge of the rule is limited, but he understood its purpose was to limit the number of bars Uptown.

"The best strategy as a town, as a city, is to foster the downtown area, and if anything is impeding that in any way I think it should be really looked at," Griffin said.

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OUR VIEW

ECU WBB deserves more recognition

This season, the East Carolina University women's basketball team has performed extremely well, going 5-2 so far in the American Athletic Conference (AAC) and 14-6 overall for the 2022-2023 season.

Since Head Coach Kim McNeill took over the helm before the 2020-2021 season, the 14 wins the Pirates have secured this year are already more than the previous two. Last season, ECU finished 11-18 and 4-11 in conference and the season prior, the team finished 8-14 and 6-10 in conference. This significant improvement has propelled the Pirates to the third spot in the AAC.

While the success of the ECU women's team is noted in the media, it should be publicly celebrated by their fellow Pirates as well.

We, the Editorial Staff of The East Carolinian, believe that the ECU women's basketball team needs more support from the student body and the rest of the Pirate Nation. The Pirates should see a higher attendance rate as their success continues to grow each week.

Led by the high-scoring of senior guard Danae McNeal and the intense rebounding of freshman forward Amiya Joyner, ECU is in a position to continue to succeed this season. McNeal leads the team in scoring, averaging 16.3 points a game. Joyner is right behind her with an average of 9.6 points per game in addition to her team-high 7.3 rebounds a game.

The Pirates have won seven of their last 11 games and are scheduled to host the University of Memphis today at 6 p.m. inside Williams Arena at Minges Coliseum.



Women all around the globe protest for womens rights and gender equality each year through organizations such as the March4Women campaign. COURTESY OF GIACOMO FERRONI | UNSPLASH

Female rage is a normal, real response



Breanna Sapp
TEC COLUMNIST

I am a force of unstoppable anger at this very moment. As I type this column, picking at a bowl of lightly-salted almonds and sipping my iced coffee with a splash of zero sugar almond milk, I understand what it means to be a woman. And I am resentful. Envious. Vengeful. Enraged.

What exactly is female rage? How does one coin a phrase to describe such an incommunicable feeling? Female rage is the overwhelming anger that women of all colors, shapes and sizes experience at least once in their life. The permanent tension between what men think they know and what women do know.

Perhaps that's why movies with satisfying, "good for her" endings comfort so many women. Maybe your movie is "Gone Girl." Or maybe it's "Midsommar," "Fresh," or "Carrie." Female rage continues to popularize in certain niches of pop culture.

Women's rage has historically been a popular topic in different mediums of art, from Greek literature to classical paintings. Clytemnestra's anger in "Agamemnon" following the death of her daughter and Demeter's mourning for the rape of

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-Breanna Sapp

Persephone are popular stories in Greek mythology, while pieces like "Timoclea Killing Her Rapist" by Elisabetta Sirani and "Judith Beheading Holofernes" by Artemisia Gentileschi both dominated Italian art in the 17th century.

But female rage is not just plain anger. Plain anger is surface-level, reactionary annoyance or frustration. Female rage is the insufferable and guttural response women have to the system we are forced into.

As an enraged woman, I watch the morning news for newly-passed legislation on abortion rights. Formula shortages. Pause for an ad on hair and nail growth vitamins. Kidnapped and raped women within my local zipcode. A recipe for an easy low-carb casserole. Should I ride my Peloton right now?

Simultaneously, the business major next door casually scrolls through the daily news for an update on stocks. On Instagram,

Andrew Tate gets a double tap and follow. Washes his face, combs his hair, puts on clothes and without a second glance, is out the door.

It also exists in the small moments of male usurpation throughout a woman's life. When your father smirks at your mother and says, "You don't know what you're talking about." When your coworker dismisses your presentation with a laugh and pat on the back. When you scroll on your phone and see detox teas and gua shas and botox. When you exist.

Rage is a natural and cathartic reaction to the organization of the world around us, and it is within each and every woman you know - whether that be in the office, the classroom or the home. Women everywhere know what it's like to be angry.

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PIRATE RANTS

The East Carolinian does not endorse the statements made in Pirate Rants.

The huge pothole near Starbucks on campus needs to be fixed ASAP. There was a cone in it today! Unbelievable.

Chick fil a still needs to be open later or at least open on Saturday's.

The busses should come and go at the time they are scheduled or at least wait there.

The dining halls close too early for students that have jobs and other responsibilities.

I really just cannot believe how expensive housing has gotten in Greenville. My friends and I are going to be sophomores next year so we've been looking at different off-campus housing options and it's insane. At the start of the year I had a friend who moved into the Bower and it was awful. For months they didn't have AC, it smelled terrible, and I'm pretty sure at one point their ceiling gave in. But, they were only paying \$360 a month, so I thought it could be a good potential option since all my friends and I are supporting ourselves financially. Well, apparently they got new management and now the cost of rent has nearly doubled. It's over \$600 now!? Like, I'm sorry, but unless their bulldozing the whole complex and rebuilding it, there is no reason for it to be more than \$360. And it's impossible to find anything cheaper than \$500 anymore. I just feel like I'm getting swindled because most of these places have poor maintenance and plenty of foundational issues.



Kim Kassner
TEC COLUMNIST

Leaving your pajamas on to lounge around on a Sunday morning is simply the best feeling in the world.

When the new week starts though, it seems a little too convenient to leave them to go to classes on campus or even hit the store to get some groceries, a coat or sweater thrown on top because you are too bothered to change. But is it acceptable to wear PJ's in public?

Comfortable clothing was a go-to during the COVID-19 pandemic. Nobody left the house, and chilling in pajamas basically became normal.

But after stores, offices and schools opened again, it seems like people started having a hard time leaving their newfound attire at home. Now, you see people walking around in their jammies literally everywhere.

Some walk around in a onesie with little animals on it, others in a two piece with their favorite sport team's mascot. Here and there, you see the traditional christmas pajama pants or plain-colored ones. The variety seems never ending.

" Instead of leaving your pajamas on, changing into jeans and a shirt can make a big difference. "

-Kim Kassner

Because of the change, a new "genre" of clothing has been introduced to the world too: the so-called loungewear. Essentially pajamas, loungewear just takes on a more socially-acceptable form.

Clothing is a person's choice and can be used to express individuality and style - yes. However, fine feathers make fine birds. Meaning, what you wear matters! It doesn't only affect how others perceive you, but also how you think and feel about yourself.

Instead of leaving your pajamas on, changing into jeans and a shirt can make a big difference. It can give you more confidence and a sense of self-empowerment. According to inc.com, dressing professionally can even increase your abstract thinking and broaden your perspective of life.

Apart from the way you feel about

yourself, the clothes you wear also impact the people around you. For many, leaving your jammies on is a sign of laziness. This can not only change the way your family and friends see you, but also teachers, professors or employers. It might not leave the best impression of yourself.

With all that being said - wearing pajamas in public might not be one's best choice. Of course you always have to stay true to yourself and your taste. But taking care of your physical appearance can only improve your mental health and help you create the best version of your esteem.

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improvement items, U.S. currency and bicycles. Some matters concern property in which the case has been disposed of in the judicial system and the property is no longer considered evidence in this matter. Persons who may be entitled thereof are required by law to make such a claim within (30) days of this notice. Owners may contact the ECU Police Department at (252) 737-2626 or (252) 328-6787 or in person at 609 East 10th Street, Greenville, NC. A description of the property along with the serial number or reasonable proof of ownership will need to be provided in order to claim

property. After (30) days, the property will be administratively forfeited and disposed of according to law. Property items of value that remain unclaimed will be turned over for auction to PropertyRoom.com, all bicycles not claimed will be donated to non-profit charities and all remaining items will be destroyed.

References: N.C.G.S. 15-11.1, N.C.G.S. 15-12 through 15-16

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HOROSCOPES

Aries (March 21-April 19) — Today is a 9 — Smile for the cameras. Your work is gaining respect. Personal passions get a lucky boost. Take advantage to push ahead. Persistence and determination get results.

Taurus (April 20-May 20) — Today is a 7 — Creative inspiration grabs your attention. Find a private spot to shut out distractions and capture your ideas. Develop strong foundations. Adorn with details.

Gemini (May 21-June 20) — Today is an 8 — Collaboration grows shared projects to new levels. Your team inspires you. Pull together and others get involved to pull along. Your enthusiasm is contagious.

Cancer (June 21-July 22) — Today is a 9 — Work takes priority. Professional objectives lie within reach. Grab a lucky break. Close a deal or sign papers. Disciplined efforts pay a lucrative return.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22) — Today is an 8 — Travel tempts. Practical considerations take center stage. Reaffirm a commitment. Make long distance connections. Share what you're learning. Your research leads to exciting solutions.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) — Today is a 9 — Shared assets grow with diligent, consistent efforts. Keep contributing. Maintain momentum. Monitor to balance accounts. Align with your partner on strategies for growth.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) — Today is a 9 — Creative collaboration could get romantic. You're building something valuable together. Disciplined efforts turn ideas into solid results. Share gratitude and appreciation for mutual attraction.

Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) — Today is an 8 — You're energized and ready for high performance. Prepare carefully. Stretch and then power into action. Practice basics while refining technique. Nurture health, strength and endurance.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) — Today is an 8 — Love is in the air. Plant seeds. Nurture your roots and shoots. Encourage someone with a good idea. Share magical moments with your inner circle.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) — Today is an 8 — Indulge yourself with household projects. Beautify spaces and nurture your household with hospitality. Reduce clutter. Simplify and clarify. Share domestic treats with family.

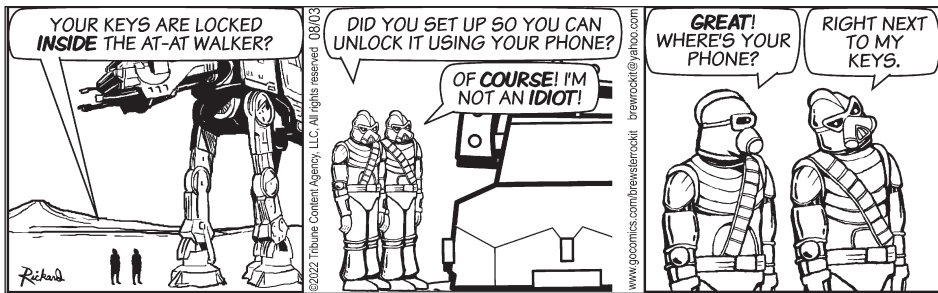
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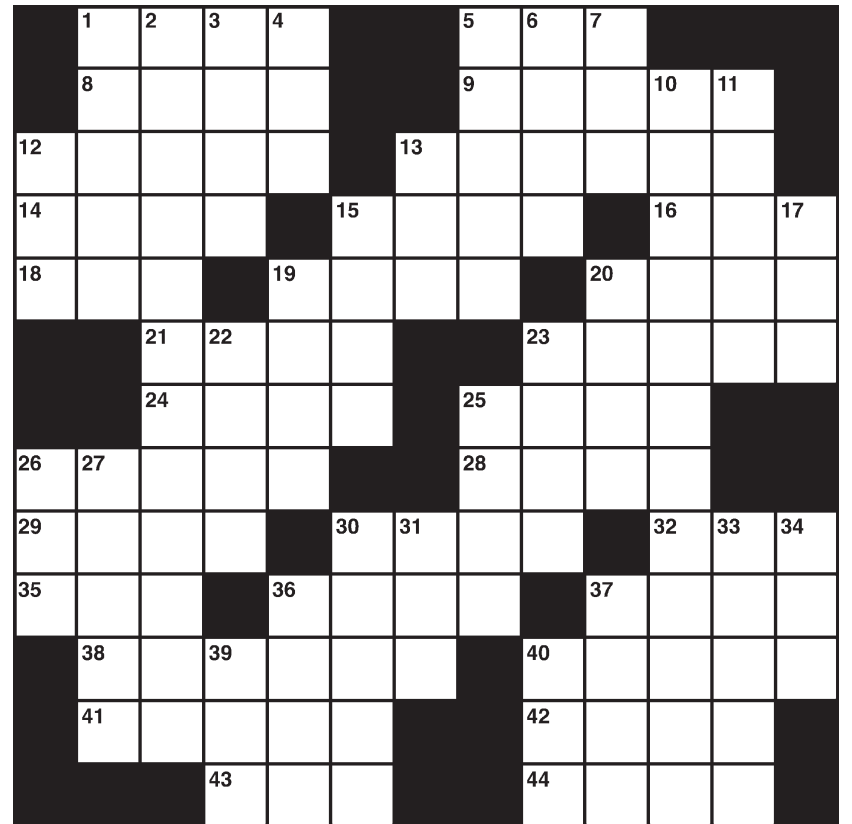
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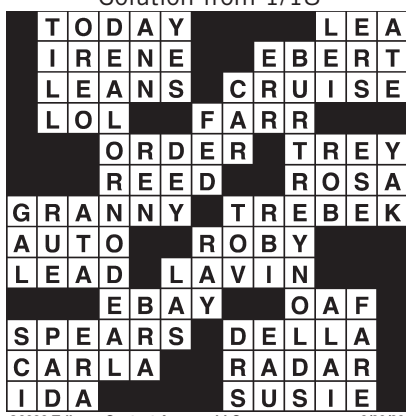
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- 32 Capture
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- 36 Uncovered
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The East Carolina University School of Music will pay respects to those affected by the Holocaust through a combination of readings and cell performances.

SoM to host Holocaust remembrance

Eli Baine
TEC STAFF

In honor of Holocaust survivors and victims, the East Carolina University School of Music (SoM) is hosting a Holocaust remembrance event at the A.J. Fletcher Recital Hall for International Holocaust Remembrance Day on Friday.

Director of the School of Music Christopher Ulfers said the event will include a musical performance by SoM Professor and cello player Emanuel Gruber, as well as a narration by Assistant Professor Rebecca Simon.

"This is a concert that is held every January the 27th," Ulfers said. "I think 2018 was the first time we did this, and it's become a really poignant tradition."

Ulfers said the program will alternate between cello pieces played by Gruber and readings performed by Simon.

The Holocaust Remembrance event will be completely free and open to all students, Ulfers said. He said the event will also be streamed online for students that cannot attend in person.



Christopher Ulfers

"It (the performance) has really become a way for the School of Music and East Carolina University to commemorate Holocaust Remembrance Day," Ulfers said.

The organizer of the event, Gruber, is an Israeli immigrant and has performed in the Holocaust remembrance event each year it has been held, Ulfers said.

Gruber said the program will focus on the diaries and letters written by Etty Hillesum, a Dutch woman who was killed in Auschwitz concentration camp.

Hillesum's writings will be read during the narrations of the event, Gruber said. As the Nazis began to occupy Poland, she did not attempt to flee because she wanted to provide hope to the people around her during the Nazi invasion, Gruber said.

"She (Hillesum) said that everything is based on love, and it was our only source to overcome this dark period in human history," Gruber said.

Hate is still a large issue in the world for Jewish people and other marginalized groups, Gruber said. He said it is important to have demonstrations like the Holocaust Remembrance Day performance to remind viewers of what hateful ideologies and rhetoric can lead to.

Gruber said many of the pieces he will be playing were written by influential composers who lived through the Holocaust.

"He (Paul Hindemith) immigrated to the (United) States because of the Nazis, and he wrote a sonata for cello solo, and I am choosing a movement from the sonata," Gruber said. "It has elements that give support to the narrative of the program."

Junior information and computer technology major Souvik Roychowdhury said the Holocaust was uniquely devastating in how quickly and efficiently the mass killing was carried out.

It is important to remember the conditions that led to the catastrophe, Roychowdhury said. Hateful and violent rhetoric is still a danger to everyone today, Roychowdhury said.

"It is important to educate people about the Holocaust so we can prevent a breakdown in democracy as it happened in Weimar Germany which led to the rise of Adolf Hitler," Roychowdhury said.

Holocaust remembrance and education may also quell the persistence of hate crimes against Jews in the modern day, Roychowdhury said.

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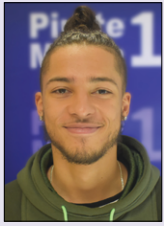
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The East Carolinian Sports experts predict this week's events

Brendan Cavazos

Sports Editor



ECU Women's Basketball vs Memphis on Wednesday Score Prediction?
ECU 62 - 58

Why? The Pirates have gotten back-to-back wins and continue to have strong showings at home. ECU previously defeated Memphis 55-47 on Jan. 3 proving that the Pirates have the upper hand already.

Chris Long

Sports Chief



ECU Women's Basketball vs Memphis on Wednesday Score Prediction?
ECU 66 - 59

Why? ECU is on a two game win streak with a 5-2 record in conference and 14-6 overall. Senior guard Danae McNeal has been playing out of her mind and leading the Pirates to their success.



Junior catcher Justin Wilcoxon winds up to swing for the pitch from homeplate on East Carolina University's Clark-LeClaire Stadium. HALIE MILLER | THE EAST CAROLINIAN

Pirate baseball's 2023 media day recap

Chris Long
TEC STAFF

With the East Carolina University baseball team set to field opening day on Feb. 17, the Pirates' 2023 preseason media day has come and gone and the preseason is upon us.

The event lasted an hour and a half, featuring interviews from both the coaching staff and experienced players from the program. Different points of emphasis were addressed during the media day activities, such as pitching rotations, offensive game planning, retooling, position battles, recruiting, technology updates and the injury and aftermath to freshman Parker Byrd's injury and recovery.



Cliff Godwin

ECU baseball has more and more attention placed on them every year. That culminates in the No. 11 ranking given to the Pirates by

D1Baseball in their preseason power rankings.

"Well I woke up this morning and I went, well I don't think there's a publication that's ranked us top ten," Coach Godwin said. "I don't buy into that stuff"

He continued to reminisce on last year's group and said that early season struggles were due to behind the scenes drama that was unknown to the public. Coach Godwin spoke on a multitude of topics, including how his coaching staff stepped up in his absence when he went out with knee surgery, preseason updates, players to look out for and his experience when he found out the news of Byrd's injury.

After Coach Godwin spoke, Pitching Coach Austin Knight came to the microphone to speak about the pitching rotation. The biggest update that was given was not about the players themselves, but their technology. ECU has adopted the electronic watch system for calling pitches on the mound that was popularized by Vanderbilt University last season.

Coach Knight also discussed little ways to improve his team's pitching, and said you have to find what fits within your program. The

mentality is sink or swim for Coach Knight.

"You're trying to learn new ideas, learn something new, that may only affect one pitcher on your staff," Knight said. "Player or coach, it doesn't really matter. This game is just like anything in life. You're always learning something or you're just getting stagnant."

Finally, the players were brought out to speak. Leading them off, fifth year senior pitcher Carter Spivey came out to discuss the decision to return to ECU among other options and refining his craft as a pitcher. Next, senior pitcher Garrett Saylor talked about his relationship with Spivey, the bullpen's depth and adding a new pitch to his toolbox of pitches.

The Pirates will get their first opportunity to face off against another school come Feb. 17 at 4 p.m. when the team will face George Washington University at Clark-LeClair Stadium in Greenville, North Carolina, for opening day.

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