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Student concerns surface amid SHS, CDC guidelines

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TEC STAFF

As East Carolina University students have entered the third week of classes, the omicron variant of COVID-19 has caused a surge of positive cases, new Student Health Services (SHS) protocols and concerned students.

With new Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) guidelines, ECU students have started to voice concerns in regards to when they should return to class after being exposed to or testing positive for COVID-19. LaNika Wright, director of SHS, said her team follows CDC guidelines and has based campus protocols off of these rules.

"The protocol is we follow CDC guidelines," Wright said. "What the CDC says is at day five, if you are fever free for 24 hours and your symptoms are improving, you are out of isolation."

Students who are inclined to test again before returning to class should not, Wright said. The human body naturally takes 90 days to rid itself of the virus, she said.



LaNika Wright

Wright said the tests will remain positive even after the virus has already died, though that doesn't mean one is still contagious.

"Even if you do another test it needs to be an antigen (test) because if you do a PCR (polymerase chain reaction test) that is looking for DNA from the virus," Wright said. "It's not looking to see if the virus is alive or contagious. It's looking to see if it's there."

In regards to student concerns regarding weekend office hours, Wright said the SHS center has always been open on Saturdays and Sundays despite students not using the services on those days.

However, because students tend to not utilize the weekend office hours at SHS, Wright said the center will only be open on Saturdays for the remainder of the semester.

"We (SHS) will be open on Saturdays this semester. Traditionally, we've been open on Saturday and Sunday but we get very little usage even in the middle of a pandemic," Wright said. "People aren't using us during that time."

Naziya Lewis, a freshman biochemistry major, said she had some concerns of her own when SHS called her after she tested positive for COVID-19. She said her symptoms were severe when she first started experiencing them, but by the time she received her test results, they started to "die down."

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Sup Dogs employee and ECU graduate student Natalie Broder checks an ID at the bar of Sup Dogs restaurant during lunch rush.

ECU addresses fake IDs

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North Carolina Alcohol Law Enforcement (ALE) division and the East Carolina University Police Department (ECU PD) reinforce and warn students of the consequences of underage drinking and use of a fake ID.

ALE Assistant Special Agent in Charge Russell King said ALE is a state enforcement agency that focuses on alcoholic beverage control laws, controlled substance acts and gambling statutes. He said ALE primarily deals with places like bars and stores that carry ABC permits.

King said fake IDs have evolved over his 22 years working with ALE and now most fake IDs are top quality and shipped from overseas. He said he understands how bars, servers and bouncers can overlook fake IDs because they are difficult to spot from the blind eye but ALE has conducted training sessions with bars in downtown Greenville.

"As far as things that we look for, there are a number of different security features with the fake IDs or with Carolina IDs or with any state's IDs," King said. "We partner with fed-

"I hope nobody has to sit in the living room with a parent trying to explain why their child is dead."

-Russell King

eral agencies, so we get information about other state's driver's licenses and ID cards."

If someone were to compare a real ID versus a fake one, the picture is oftentimes a dead giveaway, King said. He said a lot of times fake IDs look photo-shopped and the individual looks as if they're placed onto a background versus a still picture.

King said he wants to warn students and others that when they're placing orders for fake IDs, they are releasing their personal information and it is being sold by the companies overseas producing the IDs. He said certain jobs require security clearances and background checks and buying a fake ID online may result in their identity being stolen and alerting the company's servers.

ALE officers don't just write

tickets to get students in trouble, King said, everything is centered around public safety. In 2021, King said two young adults died in Greenville from traffic accidents that were traced back to a purchase of alcohol with a fake ID.

"I hope nobody has to sit in the living room with a parent trying to explain why their child is dead," King said. "That's why we do what we do."

Pitt County is one of 23 counties within district two of NC and has two ALE agents assigned to it, King said and according to the NC ALE website, the district two office is located in Greenville. On average, King said an ALE officer seizes around 15 IDs in one night and since most fake IDs come in pairs of two, they try to confiscate both.

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Community band brings music to city

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The Tar River Community Band offers the opportunity to members of all ages who share a love of music to pursue their passion even if they are not involved with music professionally through band practices and performances throughout the year.

The group was founded in 1987 and currently practices every Thursday. Member and band facilities coordinator Alice Keene said the group started when she and some other individuals, who are now members, would travel to Washington, North Carolina, in order to play in the local band there. Eventually they realized Greenville would also benefit from a band, and thus the Tar River Community Band was created.

"I had talked with different people in the school system and different people in the community and said that we needed to have a community band in Greenville because there are a lot of people that maybe played in high school or college," Keene said.

The band has been beneficial to all types of people in the Greenville community, according to Keene.

The group not only practices for their own personal enjoyment, but they also perform in various events in Greenville throughout the year.

Dale Cox, a junior double major in music education and flute performance at ECU, is a member of the Tar River Community Band and said



Greenville residents play instruments during October Fest in 2021.

members of all ages are currently actively involved within the group. Cox said he has been a member of the band since he was 14, despite their age requirement of at least 18.

"They apparently thought I was 18. I was seen as very mature for my age and played relatively well on my instrument, so they didn't really question it," Cox said.

Karen Simmons, clarinet player and band president, said she is a charter member of the band, meaning she was a part of the group that founded it. Simmons said the

band's musicality consists of a lot of different styles of music.

"We play marches. It's mainly what concert bands in high school would play, popular tunes, classic stuff, just anything. It's a very wide variety," Simmons said.

The Tar River Community Band will play again on March 26 for their annual Pops Concert at D.H. Conley Highschool. Simmons said the upcoming event is treated as a fundraiser for the group.

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Basketball looks to face Memphis

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The East Carolina men's basketball team (11-7, 2-4 American Athletic Conference) will head to Memphis, Tennessee, this week to face the Tigers of the University of Memphis (10-8, 4-4 AAC) at 9 p.m. tomorrow.

When the Pirates and Tigers first met this season they faced off in Minges stadium where the Pirates had remained undefeated.

Though ECU was behind for the majority of the game, the Pirates proved that it was never truly over until the final buzzer. Trailing by 1 the Pirates had one second left on the clock and possession of the ball. A 2-pointer made by sophomore guard Brandon Suggs sealed the deal for ECU at the buzzer, putting the Pirates ahead by 1, 72-71.

The Pirates are headed to Tennessee fresh off a huge 33-point loss to No. 10 Houston (17-2, 6-0 AAC). On Jan. 22, the Pirates fell to the top team in the AAC 36-79.

Unable to keep up on either side of the court, the Pirates were forced to capitalize off of their free throws but it wasn't enough to take down the Cougars. Houston played a faster paced game than the Pirates were used

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BRIEFS

Student Transitions to continue

Today, the East Carolina University Office of Student Transitions will continue their "I'm the First" series from noon to 1 p.m. on Microsoft Teams with first-generation college student alumna Dr. Mary Catherine Moree, current medical director for FirstHealth Physician Group. The event will provide students the opportunity to learn about Moree's journey as a college student and will follow with discussion. Those interested can find the event's link on ECU's Engage.

LWCC, CLCE to celebrate MLK with guest speaker

Today, several East Carolina University organizations, including the Ledonia Wright Cultural Center (LWCC) and the Center for Leadership and Civic Engagement (CLCE), will feature guest speaker and co-founder of the Black Voters Matter Fund LaTosha Brown in celebration of Martin Luther King Jr. from 7 to 9 p.m. virtually on Zoom. The event is a continuation of the G.O.L.D. Leadership Series. Students who are interested can find the event's link on ECU's Engage.

CON to hold Pirate Nurse Job Fair

Monday, East Carolina University's College of Nursing (CON) will host the 2022 Spring Pirate Nurse Job Fair from 4 to 6 p.m. in the CON Lobby of the Health Sciences Building. ECU nursing students and potential employers are invited to interact and professionally network with one another in an effort to create opportunities for entry-level nursing students. Further details can be found on ECU's Handshake website. Interested students should attend the fair with prepared resumes and ECU 1 Cards for admittance.

CORRECTIONS & CLARIFICATIONS

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East Carolina University students spend time together outside snacking and chatting on the campus mall while abiding by COVID-19 guidelines.

CCSD promotes mental health resources

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East Carolina University administration and its Center for Counseling and Student Development (CCSD) has made efforts to remind university students about the various mental health resources on campus as well as the continuing online mental well-being platform called the Kognito At-Risk modules.

Valerie Kisler-van Reede, director of the CCSD, said the Kognito online modules are a great educational platform for students, faculty and staff. She said it helps to teach people how to react to difficult situations and respond to difficult mental-health questions.

"The Kognito modules were introduced in a pilot format just before COVID(-19) through a grant held by the Department of Addictions and Rehab Studies," Kisler-van Reede said. "They extended the grant this year to offer the opportunity for faculty, staff and students to use the modules."

For students who are struggling to maintain a healthy sense of mental well-being, Kisler-van Reede said the most effective way to get better is to seek the help of campus professionals.

A trusted adult like a professor or the Dean of Students is a great place to start when seeking help, Kisler-van Reede said. They are trained individuals that will put you in contact with the right resources, she said.

"The best way to do that (utilize campus mental health care) would be to call our office," Kisler-van Reede said. "Students who are enrolled have paid for that service in their tuition and fees, so they can call our office and we will talk with them about the resources that are available and connect them with the

appropriate one."

Another resource for students is ECU Cares, Kisler-van Reede said, which is an online platform for students concerned for other students. Under the "report a person of concern" tab, one can anonymously submit the name of a student and friend they are worried about.

Kisler-van Reede said the counseling center will contact that student of concern to see if they need to be put in contact with a professional or another campus mental health resource.

"You can contact ECU Cares and make an anonymous report," Kisler-van Reede said. "That goes through the Dean of Students. When that student of concern's name comes through the Dean of Students Office, the Dean of Students office reaches out to them."

Lauren Thorn, associate dean of students, said one of the most important things to realize as an ECU student is the resources on campus.

Even if you don't use these resources for yourself, Thorn said it is good to know what is available because if you encounter a fellow student or friend who needs assistance, you can recommend resources to them.

"One of the big things that we (Dean of Students Office) recommend is making yourself aware of the available resources," Thorn said. "So if you are put into a position where you're not sure what to do or how to respond you can help refer a student to the appropriate services."

Thorn also talked about the Kognito modules and what they are designed to help with.

She said the online platform is formatted to give scenarios and recommendations on how to help someone who is struggling with their mental health.

The website offers response choices and you can pick which one you think is most appropriate, Thorn said. From there, she said it will give you the correct option and tell you why the response is the most helpful and effective one.

"It (Kognito modules) helps walk students through different scenarios," Thorn said. "And it talks about why certain options are better than others and what to consider with the way you respond to someone who discloses that they are going through a difficult time."

Vice Chancellor of Student Affairs Virginia Hardy said it is more than important for students to realize that there are all types of help on campus. She said she wanted to remind students that it is OK to reach out for that help.

Talking to other students and being there for one another is an effective way to promote mental well-being, Hardy said. Don't just tell them about the available resources on campus, she said, but go there with them.

"Continue to be there for each other," Hardy said. "To some extent be each other's brothers and sisters in the sense of helping those individuals to again, get the help that they need."

Hardy said she encourages students to use the resources on campus because with the University of North Carolina System funding, ECU has been able to provide adequate mental health training for some of its faculty members.

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SHS continued from A1

After the quarantine protocol being 10 days throughout the fall semester, Lewis said she wasn't comfortable returning to class after less than a week. She said she had minor symptoms towards the end of her five-day isolation period but was encouraged by SHS to return to class.

"She (SHS employee) basically was telling me that I was clear to come back to campus," Lewis said. "But the longer I wait the better."

Lewis said she was concerned for the safety of other students if she returned to class while still showing mild symptoms of COVID-19. She said despite the new protocols by the CDC and SHS, omicron should be taken more seriously.

Not knowing who is medically at high risk of contracting the virus, Lewis said, is one reason she was inclined to stay in her dorm room until she was symptom free.

"I think they (ECU) should take it (omicron) more seriously if they know people are testing positive, if they're sick to allow them that time to quarantine for however long they need," Lewis said.

Amari Murrell, a freshman anthropology major, said after being exposed to COVID-19



Naziya Lewis

On Jan. 16 and Martin Luther King Jr. Day, Murrell knew on-campus testing sights weren't going to be open and she said places in Greenville weren't offering tests.

"I realized over the weekend SHS probably wasn't going to be open," Murrell said. "Which was kind of frustrating because nowhere else was available."

After she called the SHS number and tried scheduling an appointment with them on Jan. 15, Murrell said the phone rang for a substantial amount of time before she became frustrated by not being helped and hung up.

When she wasn't able to reach ECU's COVID-19 SHS phone line, Murrell said her friend gave her the number for the Corona-

virus Hotline for Pitt County.

"I explained to him (hotline employee) my situation and how I was exposed and he asked me if I was vaccinated and I said yes," Murrell said. "He asked if I was boosted and I also said yes. He was suggesting that I could go get tested at Mako Medical Center."

After she received advice to get tested from the Pitt County COVID-19 Hotline, Murrell said she isolated in her dorm room until she was able to get tested. She said she called SHS again and was able to speak with someone who seconded the advice the hotline had given her.

In the midst of the weekend COVID-19 confusion, Murrell said she doesn't feel that ECU takes exposure cases as seriously as they need to. She said she understands why a lot of ECU's concerns are focused on positive cases, but she wishes they would be more attentive to potential positive cases.

"They really care about if you test positive and that's it," Murrell said. "I don't think they really take into consideration if you've been exposed."

According to the CDC COVID-19 website, those who are exposed to the virus and are either unvaccinated or not up-to-date on their vaccines should quarantine for five days, get tested, then wear a mask and watch for symptoms for an additional five days.

Those who are exposed to the virus and are up-to-date on their vaccines, as well as those who were exposed to COVID-19 after having the virus within the past 90 days, do not need to quarantine, but should get a test, watch for symptoms and avoid traveling, the website said.

"Wear a well-fitted mask for 10 full days any time you are around others inside your home or in public," the website said. "If you develop symptoms isolate immediately and get tested."

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FAKE continued from A1

King said during months like April, currently named Alcohol Awareness Month, agents concentrate their efforts to hotspots like downtown Greenville. He said ALE agents are subject matter experts when engaging in age. He said in April of 2021, ALE agents confiscated 147 fake IDs.

"They don't have to speak to us, but if we have observed something that brought our attention to that person that rises to the level of more than just a consensual encounter and it goes into an investigative detention, then we can detain that person," King said. "Chances are we've seen more than just 'you look young,' or we don't randomly approach people."

ECU PD Field Operations Captain Chris Sutton said in an email statement that police can tell if a student is using a fake ID by their mannerisms or if the ID is missing identifiers that go against its authenticity and prove it's a counterfeit copy. He said lack of eye contact, inebriated behavior and nervous or anxious conduct are a few indicators that someone may be underage.

A fake ID violation is a Class 1 Misdemeanor resulting in a punishment of a maximum sentence of 120 days in jail, Sutton said, and may also result in a one-year license suspension under the NC Traffic Law 20-17.3. He said it is illegal for anyone to loan their personal ID to someone else to obtain alcohol.

"Drinking responsibly before you're 21, if you're truly drinking responsibly, means that you're not drinking alcohol," Sutton said. "Because a responsible person wouldn't be consuming under the age because there's consequences and repercussions that are associated with that if you're caught."

At ECU, the use of a fake ID is a violation of the Student Code of Conduct and students will have to go through the conduct violation process through the Office of Student Rights and Responsibil-



Chris Sutton



Lauren Thorn

ities, Sutton said. He said possible outcomes could be university sanctions, educational or disciplinary consequences.

Sutton said to prevent the sale of alcohol to people using a fake ID, establishments need to provide training to their staff and invest in technology that will detect a counterfeit ID. He said a conjoined effort between law enforcement, the alcohol industry and the community will curtail fake ID manufacturers.

"Bottom line, substance abuse, whether you drink it, smoke it, sniff it or swallow it is having adverse effects on people of all ages, especially those underage," Sutton said. "It is contributing to long-term addiction and also resulting in heartbreaking, unnecessary deaths associated with overdose."

Sophomore business major Kailee Clontz said she had an incident occur in December 2021 where she received a ticket for underage drinking. Clontz said she used a fake ID to enter the nightclub as 21 or older and ended up getting into a fight, causing the establishment to call the police.

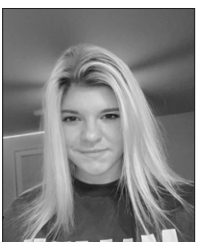
The bouncer made her wait until police arrived and was handcuffed and taken into the police car, Clontz said. She said the police threatened that she would be taken to jail because she was not cooperating and took her fake ID.

Clontz said she was mandated to complete 24 hours of community service and pay a \$200 ticket. She said many college students use fake IDs and drink underage, and she believes police are not there to scare students, but to help them.

"It was definitely scary because I did not know what was going to happen," Clontz said. "I learned not to get that drunk and not to use a fake (ID) anymore."

According to the University Alcohol Policy within ECU's University Policy Manual, members of the university community are required to obey laws and policies made by University Policies and North Carolina General Statutes.

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Kailee Clontz

OUR VIEW

SGA plays important role on campus

The East Carolina University Student Government Association (SGA) election season commenced on Monday for the opening of filing for seat positions, and students should remember the importance of democratic processes and student representation.

Every year, it is important for students to remain aware of the elections, research candidates and become involved in the voting process. Information is released ahead of time for students to prepare in advance.

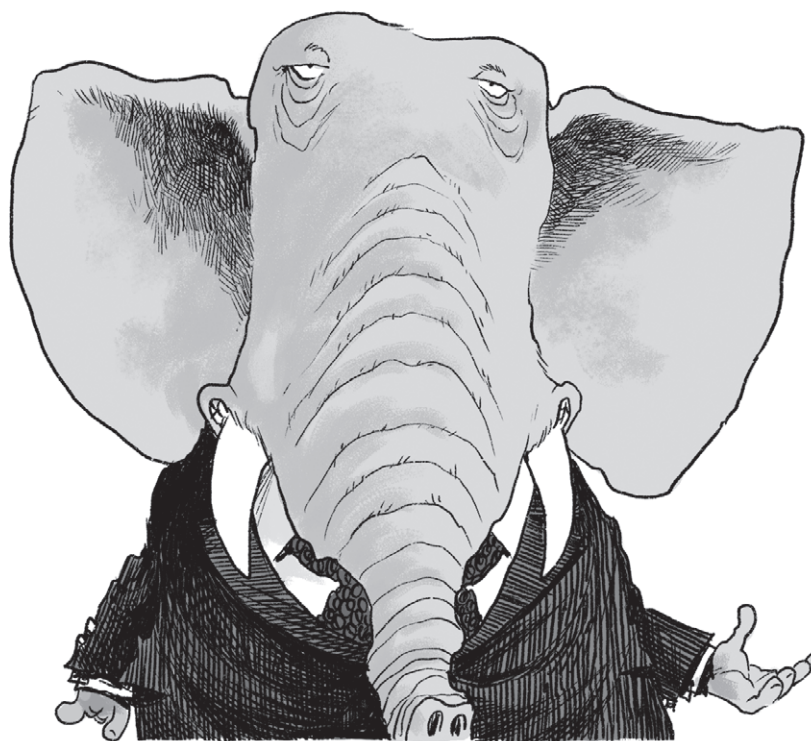
SGA provides the opportunity for students to be engaged in university decision-making processes and to serve on behalf of the student body. Additionally, the association is an outlet for student advocacy when communicating with university officials and administration and the Greenville, North Carolina, community at large.

We, the editorial staff of The East Carolinian, believe SGA is vital in establishing a connection between student representation and the university itself. The association provides fiscal, structural and organizational support to the student body that is essential to a university community as large as ECU.

SGA works hand-in-hand with various student organizations and clubs on campus to ensure student life is supported by funding and guidance under the umbrella of the SGA.

The purpose of SGA is to serve the student body through representation and advocacy. Thus, it is essential that students participate in the electoral process and remain engaged with SGA in order to better university life.

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"WE SUPPORT EVERYONE'S RIGHT TO VOTE, JUST NOT THEIR RIGHT TO HAVE IT COUNT."

COVID remains a concern

Music festivals should not occur until pandemic is under control

More with Michelle



Michelle Mazzei
TEC STAFF

As we all know, the COVID-19 pandemic is still present all around the world, especially in the United States. However, despite the virus continuing to spread quickly from one individual to another, music festivals are still ongoing as if nothing has changed since the end of 2019.

When the pandemic first hit in March of 2020 everything was halted. Grocery stores, business, restaurants and schools were closed, cut back hours or went online. Musical festivals and concerts were also non-existent.

This non-normalcy carried on for various months on end. People were starting to get agitated from staying home 24/7 and wearing face coverings when going

anywhere. It seemed as if no one was safe and no one liked it.

With using face coverings, hand sanitizer constantly and following all COVID-19 regulations, people were mostly protecting themselves from the virus, but this did not get back to normal. Soon COVID-19 vaccines were created which most people took advantage of, however, some did not particularly care for the vaccinations. With getting the vaccine and still following the guidelines in place, life started to become what it used to be.

You could go into stores, shops and businesses, which opened up their hours once more, without face coverings, and jobs and schools reopened as well. Even concerts and music festivals have begun to reappear. However, people who attend such music festivals are still contracting COVID-19.

According to a Black Club Chicago online article, 203 individuals tested positive for COVID-19 within two weeks after

attending the Lollapalooza music festival. Although this is a small number compared to the thousands of people who attended, the number should be zero. It is ridiculous that these festivals are still going on when people are contracting COVID-19 left and right.

I have seen numerous people attend music festivals or concerts within the last six months alone. They could have easily caught the virus since there was no social distancing and there was not a face covering requirement for these events. If these music festivals are to take place, there needs to be COVID-19 regulations set in place to ensure everyone's overall safety.

People's health is way more important than going to music festivals and contracting the virus and then spreading it to several other individuals.

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ONLINE | FULL STORY

PIRATE RANTS

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

I love seeing all the dogs on campus - now if we could just bring them with us to class!

Trans students on campus are not treated fairly at all. The constant deadnaming and misgendering because of our 1Cards, gender-inclusive housing being nonexistent, rooming trans people on the dorm halls of the wrong gender (and putting the wrong name on name signs for the door?)... not to mention gender-neutral bathrooms/showers are either disgusting or hard to find

Not that we really need more student apartments, but I wish there was a decent-sized complex with just one-bedroom units. All of the one-bed places/options have limited availability and they're ridiculously priced because of the demand.

I feel like riding a bike around campus demonstrates that you really have a lot of trust in the people around you.

If I see EC Scholars get anymore media coverage I will scream!!

Dining hall food always gave me the runs

Questions regarding Pirate Rants can be directed to Giana Williams at opinion@theeastcarolinian.com.

Submit your Pirate Rants on our website under the opinion tab or scan the QR code.



Letter to the editor

A open letter to the faculty

If you've read the headlines, state officials claim to have provided us with a 2.5% raise for both 2021 and 2022. But as the saying goes, "The large print giveth, and the small print taketh away." So, if you look a little closer, you'll see those figures have no relationship to an actual pay increase.

For most of 2021, the U.S. inflation rate was 5.4%. But in October, it rose to 6.2%, and then to a 40-year high of 6.8% in November. So, in economic terms, that means this paltry "increase" has failed to be an increase at all. And when I say "failed," I mean it's done so miserably.

In early December, I got in touch with an economist who's an expert on the subject of inflation. He summed up the problem this way: "The percentage change in the 'real wage' is the percentage change in the nominal wage minus the inflation rate. So, if the nominal wage goes up by 2.5% and the inflation rate is, e.g., 6.2%, the real wage decreases."

As you can see, we're still far behind the 8-ball as it concerns the cost of living, and our spending power hasn't increased one iota. And yet, state officials attempt to deceive us by calling this pittance an actual "raise."

I won't go into the politics that underlie this big swindle, because if I do, the Brown Shirts will be on my doorstep in a matter of minutes. However, if you've lived in this state for more than half an hour, you know exactly where the problem lies.

Let's face the facts. North Carolina is a state of great contrasts. On one hand, faculty in the University of North Carolina (UNC) System do their jobs diligently on a daily basis, and often go far beyond their contractual expectations. We educate young people to the extent that they can easily compete on the world's stage, and countless alumni have done exactly that since this institution was founded. But many in this state

see education as the lowest of priorities — far below NASCAR, religion and guns — and so, they vote accordingly. And as a result, we're always the ones who are given short shrift.

During my college years, I held a job in which I was a card-carrying member of the AFL-CIO (The American Federation of Labor and Congress of Industrial Organizations), and I've seen the power of collective bargaining firsthand. As much as I would like to encourage UNC faculty to form a labor union, I know that's a thing that will never happen here. Citizens in positions of power would be a threat to those in Raleigh, North Carolina, who reign gleefully over our shrinking incomes. Our only option is to vote, en masse, in order to overcome those who would like to send us to the poorhouse.

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2000 Cedar Ln.
9 a.m. to 8:30 p.m.
(252) 329-4546

TOMORROW

Watercolor Basics

Jaycee Park Center for Arts and Crafts
2000 Cedar Ln.
6 to 8 p.m.
(252) 329-4546

Therapeutic Thursdays

Campus Student Center
501 E 10th St.
11 a.m. to 2 p.m.
(252) 328-4700

SATURDAY

Jigsaw Puzzle Swap

Pitt Street Brewing Company
630 S Pitt St.
1 to 5 p.m.
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Candle lighting ceremonies in observance of International Holocaust Remembrance Day are common among various remembrance events.

SoM remembers the Holocaust

Michelle Mazzei
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In memory of the Holocaust, which occurred in 1941 when Adolf Hitler systematically murdered over six million Jewish people, the East Carolina University School of Music (SoM) will host a Holocaust Remembrance music event on Friday from 7 to 9:30 p.m., where several faculty artists will perform in Fletcher Recital Hall.

Eric Stellrechy, a professor in the ECU School of Theatre and Dance, will play piano throughout the event while faculty member Tracy Donohue will narrate the event, which is free and open to the public.

Emanuel Gruber, a cello and chamber music professor at ECU, said he has helped organize the Holocaust Remembrance event this spring semester. He said there are various faculty members a part of ECU that will participate in this event that have had past family members die throughout the Holocaust.

Gruber said there will not only be musical pieces played by both those within and outside the ECU community, but also book readings. He said there will be a reading of Elie Wiesel's

"Night," which will include an addition of a new preface for the novel and an Elie Wiesel Nobel Prize acceptance speech during the Holocaust Remembrance event.

"It's kind of difficult to comprehend such a tragic event. Adolf Hitler had this desire to do these kinds of awful things to these people. They were burned and tortured," Gruber said. "It really is why it is important for the students to come out."

Throughout the 1940s, Gruber said a lot of people around the world did not know the Holocaust was occurring in Germany, and currently, there are events in the world that people may have never heard about.

"I'm glad to be a part of this event, and I'm glad ECU has opportunities for students and faculty to engage and learn about the tragic and unfortunate events that have happened in the past," Gruber said.

Director of SoM Christopher Ulfers said in

an email statement the Holocaust Remembrance event is important aspect of the university.

"We are proud to offer this annual concert celebrating the resilience of Jewish music and culture," Ulfers said.

Harley Karz-Wagman, a rabbi for the congregation Bayt Shalom, located at 4351 E 10th St. in Greenville, North Carolina, said it is important for university students, to attend the event. He said the event is a great way for students and faculty to engage with the entire ECU community and Greenville residents.

"If you think of how many popular movies, how many books or how many articles are out there talking about the Holocaust, it grabs people's attention and then it teaches them these incredibly valuable lessons," Karz-Wagman said.

Face coverings are required for those who decide to participate at the music event since COVID-19 is still effecting ECU.

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Emanuel Gruber

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SoAD presents Annual Graduate Exhibition

Audrey Duke
TEC STAFF

The East Carolina University School of Art and Design will continue to hold its 14th Annual Graduate Exhibition until Feb. 28 in the Janice Hardison Faulkner Gallery in Joyner Library. This exhibition consists of artwork by graduate art students in order to showcase their creations to the public.

Seo Eo, graduate program director for the Master of Fine Arts program at ECU, said he is a mentor and works with graduate students who study art at SoAD. He said each student has a choice of eight disciplines, which include ceramics, graphic design, metal design, painting and drawing, printmaking, photography, sculpture and textiles.

"I think artwork can communicate artists' ideas and also inform the viewers," Eo said. "This (the Annual Graduate Exhibition) opens up opportunities for a broader audience who don't necessarily go into the space and look at it, but it's there."

The pieces in the exhibition are selected through an open call, where students are able to submit their artwork to a juror, who then decides which pieces they want in the show, Eo said.

This Annual Graduate Exhibition gives the university community a bigger view of the artwork, compared to other galleries that have a designated area for pieces and viewers.

"The students are what make ECU great, all the talent and enthusiasm so, this exhibition is a really good example of our students' efforts during this tough time and it's a self expression, but also demonstrates their resilience during this difficult time," Eo said.

Adam Berman, a third year graduate student with a concentration in printmaking, said he had been in this show in the past and the space used for the exhibit is nicer than the usual location of the Gray Gallery because of the exposure. For this exhibit, he said, he has created three fine art prints, which are a combination of many different media such as etching, lithographs and screenprints.

"My work is all based around native and invasive species of plants in eastern North



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"Stand Up Straight" art piece by Nicholas Henson.

Carolina, very similar to where I come from in Florida," Berman said. "For these prints, they're exploratory work, so I go hiking around beautiful East Carolina, and I find some things that interest me, and I take some notes and take some photographs."

Berman said Charlotte Daniels, events and program coordinator for the SoAD, has done a great job at organizing this show. He said she does it mostly on her own and makes it a wonderful experience for all the graduate students because it gives them good exposure and a great opportunity.

Morgen Zichettella, a second year MFA candidate and graduate liaison with a photography concentration, said it is important to promote artwork just as much as it is important to promote sports events.

The SoAD does not give any restrictions on what the students can create for the Annual Graduate Exhibition, Zichettella said.

Once the pieces are put into the gallery, the students are not able to stand next to it to describe it to people because the exhibition goes over multiple days, Zichettella said. It gives the art a chance to speak for itself, she said, and gives the students a view of how their artwork is perceived to anyone that walks by.

Zichettella said two of her pieces in the show are created through an alternative process of historical photography, while one of her pieces is a glass-blowing piece.

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ON-AIR SCHEDULE

MONDAY

Greta: Is this thing on? 9 a.m. - 11 a.m.
S-Roc: Roc's Take 11 a.m. - 12 p.m.
Garrett: Around the Horn 12 p.m. - 1 p.m.
DJ Chi & DJ Kera: The breakdown 1 p.m. - 2 p.m.
DJ Tiffani B: Brunch at Tiffani's 2 p.m. - 3 p.m.
Adam: Plus Money 3 p.m. - 4 p.m.
DJ Chantel: Authentic Vibes 4 p.m. - 6 p.m.
A5: Cricket's Kitchen 6 p.m. - 7 p.m.

TUESDAY

DJ CJ: Morning Phase 9 a.m. - 11 a.m.
DJ Mad Max: Instant Replay 11 a.m. - 12 p.m.
DJ Honey: The Sweet Hour 12 p.m. - 1 p.m.
DJ Will Ham: Word of the day 1 p.m. - 2 p.m.
DJ Honey: The Sweet Hour 2 p.m. - 3 p.m.
DJ C²: This week on the gridiron 3 p.m. - 4 p.m.
DJ Jersey: The Izzy Show 4 p.m. - 5 p.m.
Greta: Is this thing on? 5 p.m. - 6 p.m.
DJ Chantel: Authentic Vibes 6 p.m. - 7 p.m.

WEDNESDAY

Greta: Is this thing on? 9 a.m. - 11 a.m.
S-Roc: Roc's Take 11 a.m. - 12 p.m.
DJ Honey: The Sweet Hour 12 p.m. - 1 p.m.
DJ Chi & DJ Kera: The breakdown 1 p.m. - 2 p.m.
DJ Tiffani B: Brunch at Tiffani's 2 p.m. - 3 p.m.
Adam: Plus Money 3 p.m. - 4 p.m.
Marye Amanda: The Songwriter Series 4 p.m. - 5 p.m.
DJ Chantel: Authentic Vibes 5 p.m. - 6 p.m.
A5: Cricket's Kitchen 6 p.m. - 7 p.m.

THURSDAY

DJ C²: Music Legends Revisited 9 a.m. - 10 a.m.
Greta: Is this thing on? 10 a.m. - 12 p.m.
DJ Honey: The Sweet Hour 12 p.m. - 1 p.m.
DJ Filthy Falls: The Rap/Rock/alt show 1 p.m. - 3 p.m.
DJ C²: Tales from the ring, court, and field 3 p.m. - 4 p.m.
DJ Jersey: The Izzy Show 4 p.m. - 5 p.m.
Greta: Is this thing on? 5 p.m. - 6 p.m.
DJ Chantel: Authentic Vibes 6 p.m. - 7 p.m.

FRIDAY

DJ Chantel: Authentic Vibes 9 a.m. - 10 a.m.
Joeanna: Full plate 10 a.m. - 12 p.m.
Garrett: Around the Horn 12 p.m. - 1 p.m.
Anthony: Inside the lines 1 p.m. - 2 p.m.
DJ Atomic: The Radioactive Corner 2 p.m. - 3 p.m.
Adam: Plus Money 3 p.m. - 4 p.m.
DJ CJ: Luminol 4 p.m. - 7 p.m.

CLASSIFIEDS

HELP WANTED

Greenville Little League is seeking baseball umpires for the 2022 season. No experience is necessary

however it is helpful to have some baseball background. An informational meeting for prospective umpires will be held Sunday, February 6 from 5:30-6:30 at Elm Street Park

(1055 South Elm Street). Questions may be directed to Brian Weingartz at baawein@aol.com or 252-341-5680.

HOROSCOPES

Aries (March 21-April 19) — Today is an 8 — While travel may entice, conditions may not favor it. Monitor closely. Find alternate methods or routes. Have a backup plan. Discipline and coordination pay.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22) — Today is a 7 — Support a passion project over a hurdle. A strong push builds momentum. Disciplined efforts strengthen your game. Practice a fun obsession.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) — Today is a 9 — You're especially brilliant and creative. Listen to intuition and inner wisdom. Integrity provides workability. Stay true to your word and values. Power on.

Taurus (April 20-May 20) — Today is a 9 — Review reserves. Coordinate participation and contribution with your partner. Disciplined efforts pay valuable returns. Pool resources. Prioritize basics. Extra attention makes the difference.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) — Today is an 8 — Home draws you in. Manage any domestic breakdowns or repairs. Clean house. Make an improvement. Enjoy delicious meals. Relax with family in familiar surroundings.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) — Today is an 8 — Step back for an objective perspective. Peace and quiet help you think. Review the current situation and plan what's ahead. Rest and recharge.

Gemini (May 21-June 20) — Today is an 8 — Resolve a challenge with your partner. Disciplined efforts win. Don't push sensitivities. Provide steady support. Consider all options. Imagine achieving the desired results.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) — Today is an 8 — Communication, patience and persistence help you navigate a tricky spot. Do the homework. Get multiple perspectives. Add illustrations. Share what you're learning.

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) — Today is an 8 — Teamwork eases the load. Support others and be supported. Help each other with a challenge. Practice makes perfect. Strengthen community bonds. Pull with friends.

Cancer (June 21-July 22) — Today is an 8 — Steady attention overcomes a challenge with work, health or fitness. Patience and persistence pay off. Nurture your physical energy with good food, exercise and rest.

Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) — Today is a 9 — Have faith in your own efforts. You can bring in the resources you need. Resist impulsive expenses. Your work is gaining respect. Keep showing up.

Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20) — Today is a 9 — Pad the schedule. Professional projects could encounter complications. Back up files and archives. Extra effort behind the scenes pays. Someone appreciates your discipline.

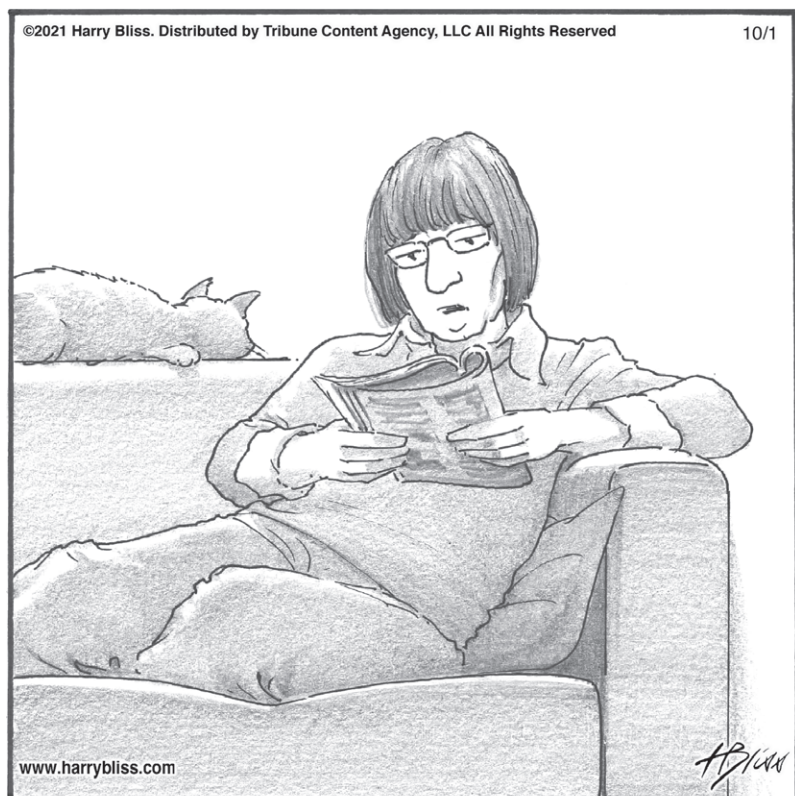
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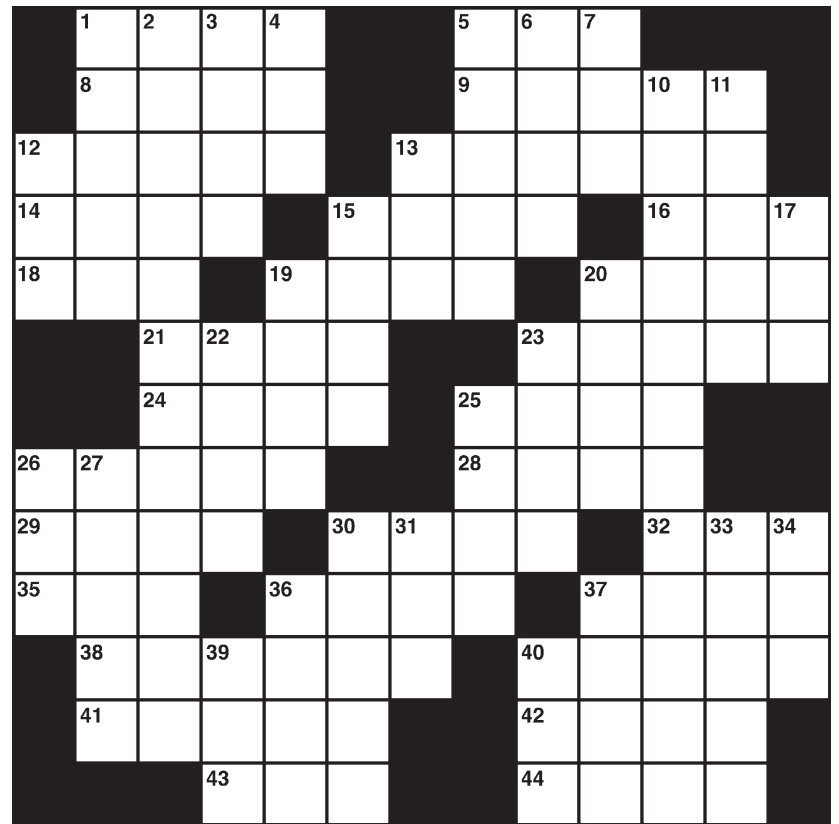
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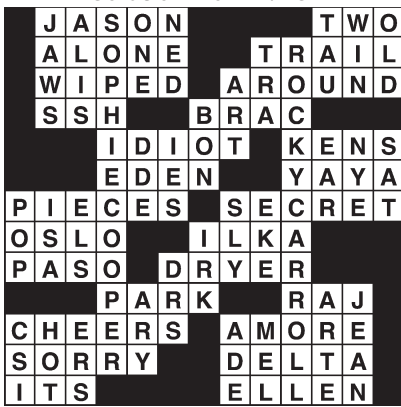
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- 1 Actress Sheedy
 - 5 Gabor or Longoria
 - 8 Committed perjury
 - 9 One of the Obamas
 - 12 Web surfer's stops
 - 13 Series for Patrick Duffy
 - 14 ___ up; misbehaves
 - 15 One of the Great Lakes
 - 16 Hostel
 - 18 Tillis or Tormé
 - 19 Jamie's hubby on "Mad About You"
 - 20 Part of the leg
 - 21 "Unhappily ___ After"
 - 23 Facial hair
 - 24 Orange rind
 - 25 Singer Vikki
 - 26 "Falcon ___"; prime-time soap opera
 - 28 Lead role on "JAG"
 - 29 Money, slangily
 - 30 Leoni & others
 - 32 Ms. Lupino
 - 35 Diamond official
 - 36 Washerful
 - 37 "___ Trek: The Next Generation"
 - 38 "___ Perfect"; Nancy Travis sitcom
 - 40 "___ Tank"
 - 41 Chutzpah
 - 42 Hit the ceiling
 - 43 Brian ___ of "Chicago Med"
 - 44 ___ Brothers; 1950s pop group
- DOWN**
- 1 Linda Lavin series
 - 2 "___, Big World"
 - 3 Bruce & Spike
 - 4 Linear measures: abbr.
 - 5 Means of communication
 - 6 1950s/1960s pop singer Jerry ___
 - 7 "Up ___ Night"
 - 10 Actor on "Young Sheldon"
 - 11 Lou Grant's portrayal
 - 12 Role on "Cheers"
 - 13 Actress Joanne
 - 15 "My Name Is ___"; Jason Lee sitcom
 - 17 "___ and Stacey"
 - 19 Actress Amanda
 - 20 Deborah of "The King and I"
 - 22 Part of a three-piece suit
 - 23 Cries from the flock
 - 25 Actor Everett
 - 26 ___ Gulager
 - 27 "___ Holiday"; film for Peck & Hepburn
 - 30 "We're off ___ the Wizard..."
 - 31 "Please Don't ___ the Daisies"
 - 33 Shows courage
 - 34 Actress Joan Van ___
 - 36 "The ___ Boat"; Gavin MacLeod series
 - 37 Farce; travesty
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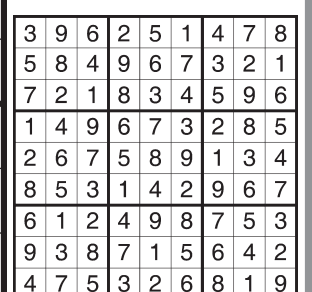
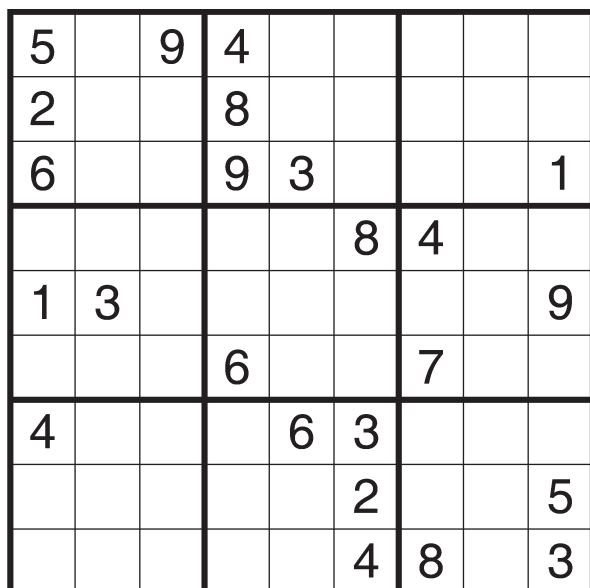
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TEC 'spertZ

The East Carolinian Sports experts predict this week's events

Brendan Cavazos
Sports Editor



ECU vs Memphis on Thursday, Jan. 27
Score Prediction? 83-72 Memphis
Why? ECU will be on the road and has not

proven it can win on the road or without Brandon Suggs. They'll have to prove both facts wrong on a stage.

Markayla McInnis
Sports Chief



ECU vs Houston on Saturday, Jan. 22
Score Prediction? Memphis 80-72
Why? ECU will be away this time.

The Pirates aren't looking good but like I said, I don't think it'll be a blowout like Houston because the Pirates have so much to prove. It'll be close, but Memphis will take this one.



Junior guard Taniyah Thompson rises up for a jumper over the defender from the University of Central Florida during a home game on Jan. 8. COURTESY OF ROB GOLDBERG | ECUPIRATES

Women's basketball to crash Wave

Chris Long
TEC STAFF

East Carolina University women's basketball (8-11, 1-5 American Athletic Conference) will face off against the Tulane University Green Wave (11-6, 3-3 AAC) on Saturday at 4 p.m. in New Orleans, Louisiana.

For this matchup, the Pirates are coming off back-to-back losses against Wichita State University (11-7, 2-3 AAC) and the Temple University Owls (8-8, 3-1 AAC). Prior to the game against Temple, the win over University of Cincinnati (9-9, 2-4 AAC) was the first win for the Pirates in a four-game stretch after one postponement and three losses at the start of conference play.

The defensive intensity against Cincinnati was a bright point for ECU's season. The Bearcats shot 27.5% from the field as opposed to the Pirate's 33.8%. Alongside the field goal percentage, ECU

was able to force 31 turnovers against the Bearcats. The Pirates were led in scoring by graduate student Raven Johnson, who scored 22 points in 31 minutes of play.

"Our defense is our bread, that's our bread and butter. Good defense leads to easy offense for us and when we're able to play our defense the way we play our defense it shows offensively," Johnson said in a postgame interview posted on ECUPIRATES following the game against the Cincinnati Bearcats.

The team is led defensively by graduate student forward Tylar Bennett with 90 total rebounds and 32 blocks on the season. Sophomore guard Alexsia Rose and junior guard Taniyah Thompson lead the team in steals with 34 and 32 respectively. Rose also leads the team in assists with 68.

Offensively, Thompson leads the team in scoring, putting up 301 points so far through the season. Her point

total doubles any other player's on the team with junior guard Danae McNeal putting up the second-most points at 114. McNeal also leads the team in 3-point percentage with an even 50% on the season.

Following the win, the Pirates stayed home to play against the Owls, who were dominant defensively. Temple only allowed 28.1% of field goal attempts with the lowest point of the game coming during the second quarter when the Pirates scored 4 points. The Pirates also shot 12.5% from the three and 36.4% from the free throw line. While ECU won the turnover battle with 11 steals, it was not enough to surmount the Owls.

Following the game against Tulane, the Pirates will go against Southern Methodist University (9-6, 3-0 AAC) on Feb. 3 at 3 p.m. in Greenville, North Carolina.

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Sophomore forward/guard Brandon Suggs dribbles the ball up the court against Memphis on Jan. 15. COURTESY OF ROB GOLDBERG | ECUPIRATES

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to. In the end, the Cougars' dominant defensive play led to ECU's downfall.

Only one Pirate managed to put up double digit points for ECU. Junior guard Tristen Newton made 14 of the Pirates' 36 points. He also led the team in rebounds and free throws. Ten of the 14 points he made were off of free throws. In addition to Newton's performance, senior forward Vance Jackson and junior forward Alanzo Frink each put up 5 points for ECU.

Memphis will return back to its home court after a matchup against the University of Tulsa (6-11, 0-6 AAC). The Tigers played a close game against the Golden Hurricane, coming out on top with a 2-point lead, 83-81. This was Memphis's second win over Tulsa this season.

Senior guard Tyler Harris led the Tigers in scoring, putting up 24 of the team's 83 points. This was a season-high for Harris.

Freshman forward Josh Minott led the team in rebounds, grabbing 9 of Memphis's 27, only two less than his career high of 11.

Statistically, Memphis seems to have the upperhand over the Pirates this season. The Pirates are averaging barely more than 72 points per game in comparison to the Tigers' 76 points per game. The Tigers also top the Pirates in made free throws, rebounds, steals, blocks and assists.

However, the Pirates have proved that statistics are just numbers. ECU was able to upset this team once this season, and as they sit on a two-game losing streak they're hungry for a win.

The Pirates will fight to upset the Tigers for a second time and gain their third conference win of the season tomorrow in the FedExForum. The matchup is scheduled to tip-off at 9 p.m. and will be broadcast live on ESPN2.

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