



New provost and senior vice chancellor named

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After a national search, Chancellor Ballard has found the new Provost and Senior Vice Chancellor for Academic and Student Affairs, Marilyn Sheerer, Ph.D.

With a bachelor's degree from Bloomsburg State College in Pennsylvania, a master's from Syracuse University, a Ph.D. from Ohio University and years of working at ECU as a professor and chair of the Department of Elementary and Middle Grades Education, Sheerer has a wide variety of experience to bring to the position.

"Marilyn Sheerer is a special person with a remarkable combination of ability, enthusiasm, experience and energy," said Chancellor Steve Ballard. "She is an accomplished leader who is well known and respected throughout North Carolina, and she is exactly the right person to fill this critical role at the university."

According to the ECU Web site, the responsibilities of a provost are vast and include administering all academic and administrative policies and operations of all the seven colleges and creating additional key academic functions and activities that support the academic demands of the

university.

Not only do the duties of a provost include all of the above but it also consists of developing the "whole student," which is a student that is developed academically, intellectually, socially, professionally and culturally.

The "whole student" development is achieved through programs, activities and functions that are made up of both the academic and student life on campus in which the provost will be overseeing and working with.

Many students would like to see more programs at the university that promote tolerance among different populations.

"I would like to see more cultural studies programs at ECU that would create understanding and tolerance among multicultural populations," said ECU senior Christopher Kent. "This broadened knowledge would reduce stereotypes and prejudices creating the vital cultural corporation needed in today's workforce."

As ECU students and faculty look forward to what Sheerer has to offer as the new Provost and Senior Vice Chancellor for Academic and Student Affairs, she looks forward to working with her new title.

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Dr. Rachel Raab returns to ECU

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Dr. Rachel Raab.

Dr. Rachel Raab, whose parents pioneered advanced cancer care in eastern North Carolina, is one of the newest faculty members in the division of hematology/oncology at the Brody School of Medicine at ECU.

Raab's parents, Drs. Spencer and Mary Raab, started the division at ECU's new medical school in 1977.

Raab and her husband, Dr. Francois Archambault, an anesthesiologist, and their 16-month-old son, Julien, returned to eastern N.C. after she completed a cancer fellowship in New York.

"It's going well so far," said Raab. "It's been a good transition and I've gotten a lot of support from the people in my department."

Like her mother, Raab specializes in breast cancer, which is the second leading cause of cancer death in women after lung cancer, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

The rate of breast cancer among women in N.C. is approximately 110 to 119 cases for every 100,000 women, with African-American women more likely to die from the disease than other women.

"Even though we've come a long way since my parents moved here in the 1970s, there's still a lot to be done for patients in this area," Raab said.

Raab was drawn to ECU by the opportunity to sub-specialize in breast cancer and because of the chance to be a leader in cancer care for a large portion of the state.

"For the region, this is a homecoming to a community that raised her and is proud to have her return," said Dr. Adam Asch, associate director

of ECU's Leo W. Jenkins Cancer Center. "She brings to this job not only her experience as an oncologist, but she knows the region and cared enough to return with her husband."

Mary Raab is revered by many of her patients and Rachel has already seen patients her mother treated and who remember the care they received. Her mother, who is since retired from the ECU faculty, still sees patients at a Tarboro clinic.

A portrait of her husband, who died of cancer in 1993, hangs in the cancer center.

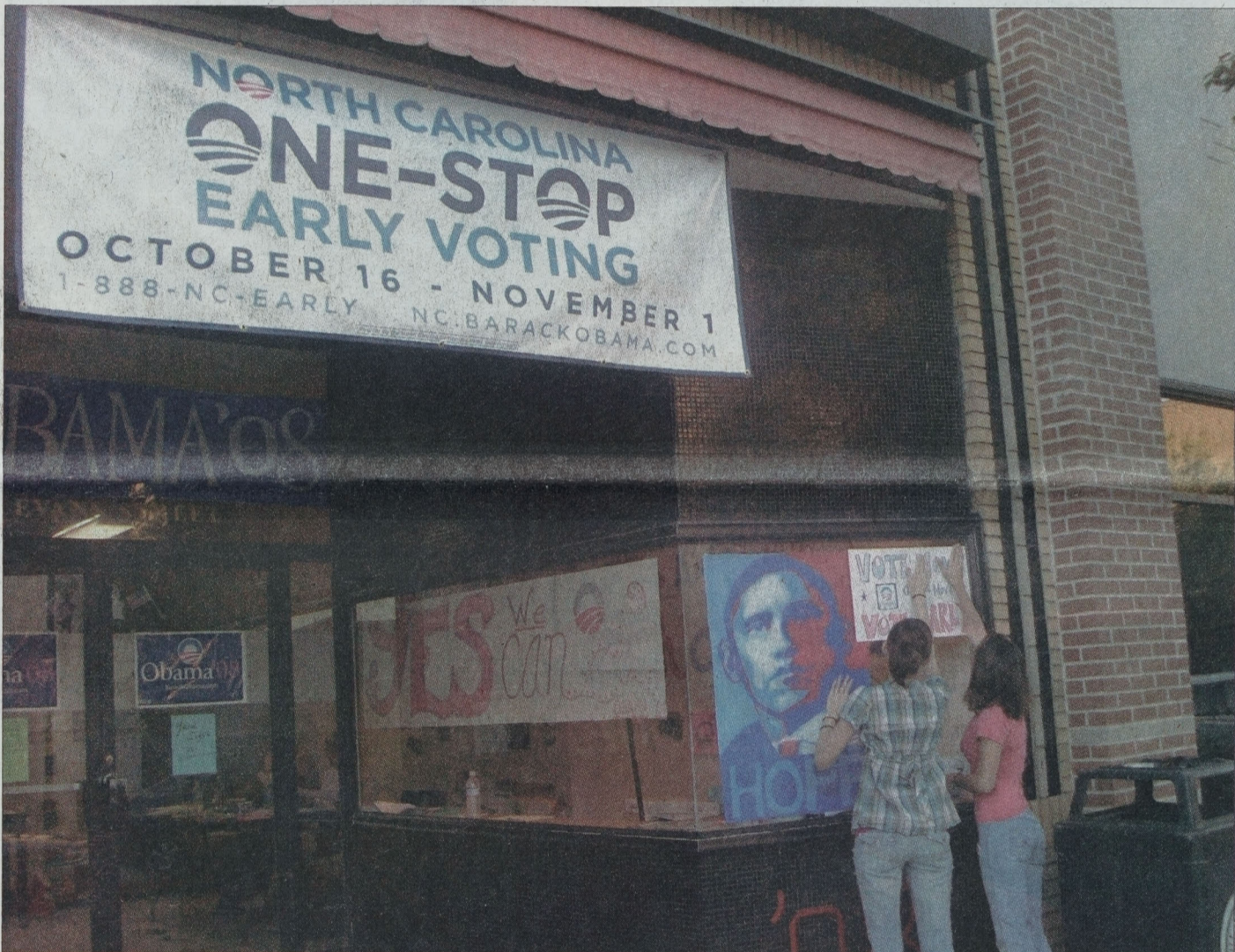
"I really can't even imagine what it was like in 1977," Rachel said. "I think they realized what the need was here for cancer services. They had a vision."

Raab's mother says she is very proud of her daughter's dedication to the cause treating and preventing breast cancer.

"I think there is a need for both their services here, and also I think Rachel can contribute significantly to the care of

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Early voting kicks off in Greenville today



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Ambyr Maxwell and Melissa Hege advertise for One-Stop early Voting at the Obama headquarters.

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One Stop Early Voting begins today in North Carolina and voters across Pitt County will be able to cast their ballot at any of the six early voting sites.

Early voting allows any registered voter to cast their ballot in person prior to Election Day. Also, unregistered voters can register and vote on site in just one visit.

"Early voting is great because if you vote early and your registration didn't go through you can register there," said Ambyr Maxwell, an intern at the Obama headquarters in Greenville.

Early voting is also convenient because voters have freedom to choose when and where they vote and sites are typically less crowded.

According to the Pitt County Board of Elections, 103,664 of the 152,000 residents in Pitt County are registered to vote, with 18-25 year olds accounting for 20,143 of that total. Approximately 5,002 of those 20,143

registered to vote after July 1 of this year.

Since January 1, nearly 16,000 new voters were registered in Pitt County, which is a significant increase from the 93,000 registered voters during the 2004 election, only 10,000 of which were registered after January 1.

"Everyone that has sent their registration will be registered to vote by the start of early voting," said David Davis, director of the Pitt County Board of Elections.

The Obama Campaign for Change in Greenville has also been hard at work registering voters.

Regionally, the campaign registered 17,000 voters, 4,000 of which were college students.

"We've been registering voters non-stop everyday," said Melissa Hege, of the Campaign for Change. "The only day we were not allowed to was Sept. 11 because the office was closed."

Of the six early voting sites in Pitt County, five are located in Greenville. The Agricultural Extension Building located at 403 Government Circle will open

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OBAMA CAMPAIGN FOR CHANGE.

today and remain open until Nov. 1 from 8 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday through Friday and 8 a.m.-1 p.m. on Saturdays. The Community Schools Building located at 4561 County Home Road will be open Monday through Friday from 8 a.m.-5 p.m., Saturdays from 8 a.m.-1 p.m. and Sunday, Oct. 26 from 1 p.m.-5 p.m. The Jaycee Park, Center for Arts and Crafts located at 2000 Cedar Lane will be open Monday through Friday 11 a.m.-7 p.m. and Saturdays 8 a.m.-1 p.m. The County Office Building located at 1717 W. 5th St. will be open Monday through Friday from 8 a.m.-5 p.m. and Saturdays 8 a.m.-1 p.m. For ECU students, the Newman Center, located beside the Brewster Building, will be open starting Oct. 24 Monday

though Fridays 11 a.m.-7 p.m. and Saturday from 8 a.m.-1 p.m.

All early voting sites will be open until Nov. 1.

Members of the Obama Campaign will be hosting a rally on Oct. 28 at the bottom of College Hill with performances by Blount Harvey and others. The crowd will then proceed to the early voting site.

Also, a march will be taking place today from Thomas Forman Park on fifth and Memorial to the County Office Building on Fifth Street at 9 a.m. The event is being held with the NAACP and commemorates the 13th anniversary of the Million Man March.

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ECU professor receives award

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Dr. Mary Nyangweso Wangila

Dr. Mary Nyangweso Wangila has recently joined the faculty at the Thomas Harriot College of Arts and Sciences at ECU as the first recipient of the J. Woolard and Helen Peel Distinguished Professorship in Religious Studies.

"I feel tremendously honored," said Wangila. "What fascinates me about the position are the values that it embodies--values of diversity, social justice--values which I have embraced in my teaching and research and values that I hope to continue to promote in the classroom and the university in an effort to make a difference in our communities."

Established in 2007 by Dr. Jesse R. Peel, the professorship honors Peel's parents J. Woolard and Helen K. Peel of Everetts, N.C.

J. Woolard Peel, who passed away in 1984, was a graduate of North Carolina State University. Helen K. Peel, who passed away in 2005, attended Louisburg College.

"I had the privilege of meeting Jesse Peel," Wangila said. "I was most impressed by the kind of person he is. In life we tend to look for heroes 'over yonder,' when they can be found in our own backyard. I consider Jesse Peel a hero not only because of his generosity to our program, an act that facilitated the availability of this position, but because of who he is as a person and the

values of social justice that he embraces. From what Jesse told me about Helen, I believe the Peel family provides an example to emulate in order to make this world a better place."

Wangila will have specific duties as a recipient of the professorship. She will be responsible for enhancing the offerings of the Religious Studies program by maintaining an active research and teaching agenda, serving on the Religious Studies Committee and contributing to the Department of Philosophy, Thomas Harriot College of Arts and Sciences and ECU. She is now the third full-time religious studies professor in the department.

"I strongly believe in engaged

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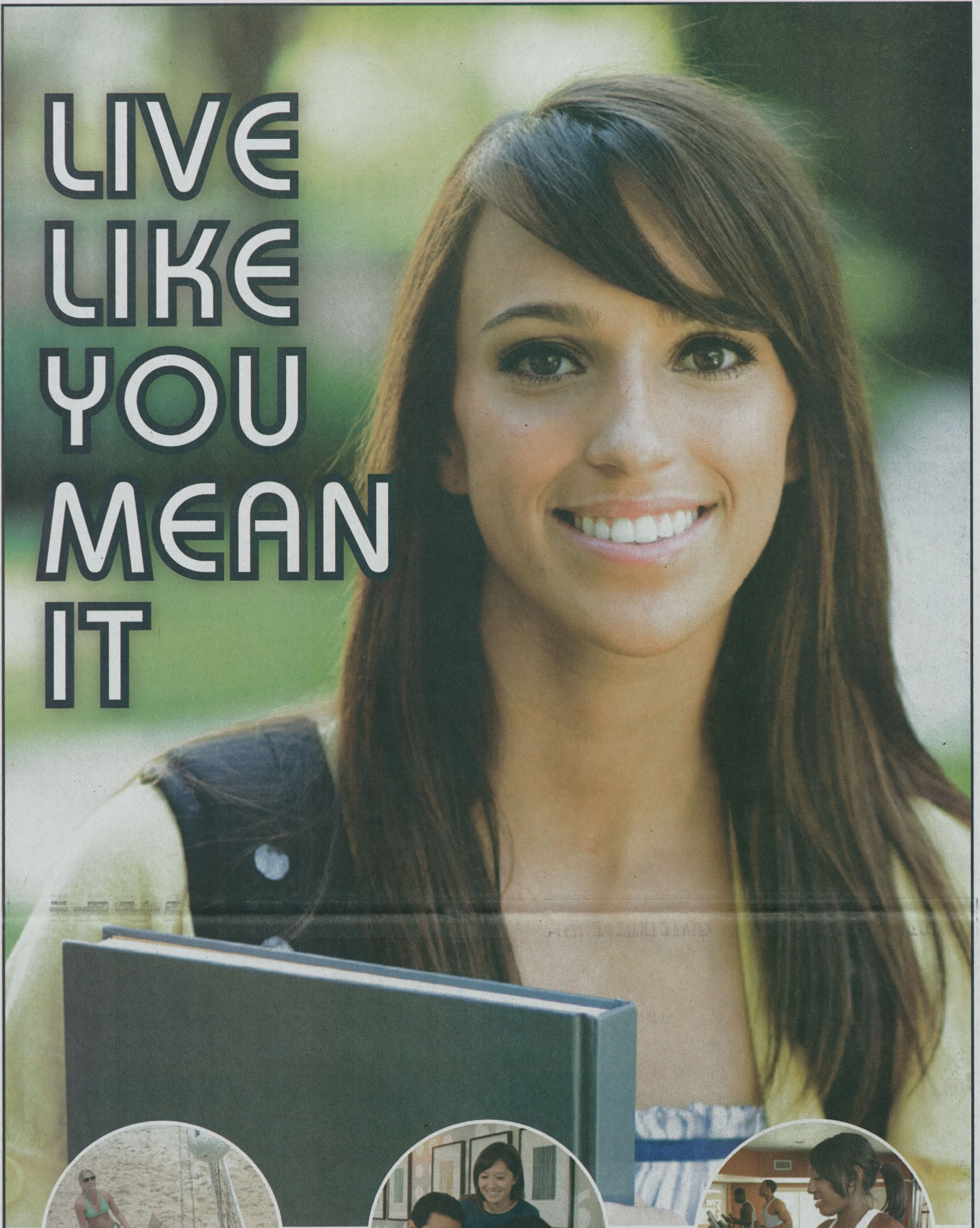
Resident advisors team up to promote World Health Day in the residence halls.



Sports

The ECU football team and soccer team both have important home games this weekend. Turn to the sports section for more.

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Alleged No. 2 leader of al-Qaida in Iraq killed

American soldiers killed the alleged No. 2 leader of al-Qaida in Iraq, a Moroccan who trained in Afghanistan, recruited foreign fighters and ran operations in northern Iraq where Sunni insurgents remain a potent threat, the U.S. military said Wednesday.

The man, who the military said was known as Abu Qaswarah, died Oct. 5 during a raid on a building in the northern city of Mosul that served as a major "command and control location" for the region. Four other insurgents were killed in the operation, the U.S. said. The announcement of Abu Qaswarah's death was withheld until Wednesday to allow for positive identification, the military said.

McCain seeks to revive campaign during final presidential debate

John McCain sought to change the course of a campaign moving decidedly in Barack Obama's direction Wednesday night in the third and final presidential debate.

With less than three weeks until the Nov. 4 election, the 90-minute debate focusing on the economic crisis offered the Republican senator from Arizona what could be one of his last big chances to persuade voters to give the race another look.

Polls show Obama with a clear lead nationally and in several key battleground states. McCain was keenly aware of the stakes he faced after two debates in which supporters suggested he was insufficiently forceful against Obama. Over the weekend he promised to "whip" Obama's "you know what," and aides indicated McCain would criticize Obama on tax policy.

For months, McCain and his campaign have tried to convince voters that Obama is an inveterate tax raiser whose spending priorities on health care and other issues would mean higher taxes on people of all incomes.

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scholarship," Wangila said. "Unengaged knowledge is as good as dead. Knowledge should seek to contribute something to the surrounding community. Our Religious [Studies] program encourages scholarship that is engaged, by exposing students to cultures of the religions they have studied in a study abroad program."

Wangila hopes that her students will discover an appreciation for different religious perspectives and the role religion plays in some cultures.

Wangila came to ECU from the University of Missouri-Columbia. She is the author of *Female Circumcision: The Interplay between Religion, Gender and Culture in Kenya* (Orbis Books, 2007), as well as many other publications in scholarly journals and selected book chapters.

She has served as an invited speaker at a symposium on "Women and HIV/AIDS in Africa" held at the University of Illinois and as a presenter at the American Academy of Religion in Washington, D.C. Wangila is a member of the African Studies Association and the American Academy of Religion.

Wangila received her doctoral and master of philosophy degrees in sociology of religion from Drew University in 2004 and 2002 respectively; a master of theology from Emory University in 1999; a master of philosophy in religion from Moi University, Eldoret, Kenya, in 1992; and her bachelor of education from Kenyatta University, Nairobi, Kenya, in 1988.

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"I am honored by the confidence that Chancellor Ballard and the university have placed in me," Sheerer said. "ECU has become my home, and I am very happy to be continuing my service here."

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patients in this region, especially breast cancer patients," Dr. Mary Raab said of her daughter and son-in-law.

Raab has an undergraduate degree from Vanderbilt University in Nashville, Tenn., and a medical degree from ECU. She completed residency and fellowship training at Albert Einstein College of Medicine and Montefiore Medical Center in Bronx, N.Y.

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Correction

The headline that ran on the front page of *The East Carolinian* on Thursday, Oct. 9 was incorrect. The headline should have read, "Students rally on behalf of student charged of assault."

Jarmichael Harris has only been charged of assault, not

convicted.

His court date is set for Oct. 22.

Any questions regarding the headline can be directed to Elise Phillips, Editor in Chief, at editor@theeastcarolinian.com.

Sorority welcomes students to community plate sale

STAFF REPORT
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The ladies of Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority, Inc. will be holding a dinner plate sale on

Oct. 18 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Peppermint Park on 14th Street. The event, dubbed the "Eta Mu Plate Sale," has been in the works since last year.

Plates include barbeque chicken, string beans, potatoes and a roll. Cake and beverages will also be served; the cost

for students is seven dollars per plate.

All proceeds will go to community service initiatives sponsored by the sorority.

The Sigma Gamma Rho organization was founded in 1922 by seven educators and is now an international service sorority.

The sorority supports numerous philanthropic efforts, including Habitat for Humanity, providing educational materials for at-risk children through a

program called OPERATION BigBookBag and support for several other national and international organizations.

Any questions about the event should be directed to Demetria Smith at das0726@ecu.edu.

Questions about the Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority, Inc. can be found at the organization's official Web site, sgrho1922.org.

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Ladies of the Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority, Inc. will host the "Eta Mu Plate Sale."

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Reject rage, embrace empiricism

Time for some raw opinion

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I have heard a lot about rage and anger this week. Primarily, the focus has been on a couple of GOP rallies for John McCain recently, where individual question askers have discussed not necessarily the state of the nation, not necessarily any specific issue at hand, but anger and rage at the prospect of a Barack Obama presidency. They claim he is not a true American, he does not love his country; some go so far as to claim he is an enemy saboteur, sent to lead us into despair.

This is similar to the rage expressed by Democratic supporters in 2004 at the specter of reelecting George W. Bush after the widely acknowledged botching of the war in Iraq. At the time, and even to this day, some will say there are only two explanations for Bush's actions: either he is stupid or evil.

The language being invoked in these types of descriptions reviles those with different political preferences as those interested in nothing but personal benefit against general disarray. Both camps must be included because it is extremists of all types that are guilty.

We cannot have agreement as a prerequisite for political discourse. People must come to decisions with the good faith that all are interested in a strong, prosperous future for America, whatever their vision of what our country may be. Obama is not a terrorist because he knows a guy who was, even if he worked with him. McCain is not the same guy as Bush, even though they are of the same party. When we begin political dialogue from the viewpoint of "all with me are good, all against me are evil," we leave room only for hatred and enmity, not compromise. We are a country that was built on the diversity of opinion, on the right to be seen as different, but worthy.

Our political relationships to each other have roughened within a crust of ideological partisanship.

My advice, my plea to my fellow Americans, and more narrowly, my fellow Pirates with whom I attend class, and debate the future of the world, is this: let your reason guide you. Allow yourself to treat each situation dispassionately, uniquely, holding only in view the end you wish for your future and those of your children and all the available, empirical facts about how to get there, whether they be to your liking or not. Allow yourself permission to consider, perhaps even incorporate, new viewpoints—based on evidence—about how to achieve a happy tomorrow.

Do not bind yourself to a course of action through subscription to a gamut of political values handed down to you by the choice of your forebears or the tenets of a rigidly defined philosophy. Believe especially in the same basic hope for the future of those that disagree with and are different from us. Do not allow yourself to be disillusioned by the attempts of those with power and influence to jade your sense of community, to deflect you from truth, to blind you with emotional, cynical, ideological appeals.

There can be no such thing as total agreement amongst a population of 300 million people. In this mix, some will be hard-liners who will not be willing to discuss or compromise their positions on any issue. My plea to all, young and old, Republican and Democrat, ideologues and ambivalents, is to recognize each other as citizen and sibling, with all futures bound together; when all realize they face the same end as a country, they establish common ground upon which real national community can be built.

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Gaming outside of the box

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I have been trying to set up a game of Dungeons and Dragons for some friends and I to play since August. Besides taking time to learn the rules and working around everyone's schedule, finding players is a tough process. It may be because they are trying to avoid the air of cultural nerdiness that comes with Dungeons and Dragons. It may also be that young people's imaginations have been destroyed by the digital game age.

Tabletop games compared to console video games are like an open-ended project to a set of math problems. Tabletop games allow for players to be creative and resourceful while video games force players to resolve situations within a fixed set of rules.

For those who have not experienced a game of Dungeons and Dragons, and other similar tabletop games, it is a popular fantasy role-playing game run by two components. Half of the game relies on a set of numeric rules controlled by throwing dice. The other half relies on the imagination of the storyteller or the dungeon master, who narrates the fantasy-based story. A dungeon master will describe a setting and scenario, and the characters will work together navigating through the setting to accomplish the objective however they see fit. By being able to make unique choices through collaborating with other players, tabletop games allow the players to be much more creative in constructing a gaming situation that is much more gratifying than a video game.

A common day video game (mainly focusing on first-person shooters, action and role-playing games) sets up a rendered setting, a situation and



PIRATE RANTS

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I am voting for the most attractive politicians. So, can we please put pictures on the ballot?

Warning: Killer squirrels stalk on campus.

To the girl on the first floor of Fletcher: You might consider closing your window when you get dressed after your shower!

Lets keep supporting ECU football; everyone has a rough stretch every now and then ... LETS GO PIRATES! AARRRH!

To the guy I hook up with when I'm drunk: I'm starting to like you when I'm sober too, and it scares me.

I'm sorry if you got the wrong impression, but I really just love scandal!

So I was trying to be festive for Halloween and set out two cute pumpkins outside of the apartment, and I wake up to find one kicked in the bushes and the other gone. Who steals pumpkins?!

Don't piss me off...I have a cold and I will cough and sneeze on you!

Ultimate Frisbee is whack. Grow some balls and play a real sport... like rugby.

To all the students here: When you are walking to class, PLEASE PICK A DIRECTION to walk in because I am tired of zig-zagging around you.

Just wanted to let all my ECU ladies know: Y'all lookin' good—keep it up!

What does lipstick have to do with politics? Silly girls...

The 30 minutes of exercise I do makes me feel like it's OK to eat half a tube of raw cookie dough.

I wish I only had two fat rolls instead of three ... yes, that would be nice.

It's sad that I'm having to base my vote for president on which

one is the lesser of two evils. GO OBAMA! ...I think.

To those of you who just see ECU as a party school: Have fun with unemployment!

I will say "paper-thin" however many times I want until you do come over here and do something about it. But I want to warn you that you will be picking your face off one of these PAPER-THIN WALLS!

Why is it that I study from 8 p.m. to 4 a.m. and still fail my midterm?

I'll be glad when the election is over so I won't have to read anymore misinformed political Pirate Rants.

Why is there an ad for N.C. State on The East Carolinian's Web site?

To the three freshman sorority girls who everyone saw making a fool of themselves downtown: You're slutty and disgusting. Maybe you should take control of your lives before you ruin them. Good job on choosing a real CLASSY sorority.

Ha, ha that's funny. I have memorized all of the words to those commercials too!

To the girl with the mermaid tattoo on her foot: I think you're wonderful.

I miss the days when boys had cooties and girls were "gross."

The boys across the breezeway from me: Must have made some serious enemies. I came out of my apartment this morning to see a HUGE piece of poop sitting outside their door. There is NO WAY that came out of an animal, either. It was totally human poop.

So my girlfriend got sick and threw up all over my room. I now have a red stained trail coming from my bed going all the way to my bathroom.

Minus your personality, you're actually quite perfect.

During football games we need to have Pee Dee out there instead of some fake Jack Sparrow.

Thank you, TEC! I only have one class on Tuesdays and Thursdays and wouldn't go if there wasn't a new edition to be picked up!

Does a busted eardrum really hurt that bad? It's not like I meant to do it! Quit acting like a 5-year-old girl!

Don't come to a class with a NO ATTENDANCE POLICY, to sit there and talk to your wannabe boyfriend. Some of us are here to LEARN.

I just wanted to say thank you to the guy who brought the WWF into ECU Intramural coed soccer and completely took me out. I'm really hurt.

To the guy and girl in Umstead on the second floor: PLEASE close your blinds and cut off the lights when you decide to get a little action. Everyone in the parking lot saw you. Thanks.

I enjoy buying a pound of blow ... pops from the Dowdy Student Stores!

A flying grasshopper fell into my sub at Subway while I was eating at the Subway store ... No, I didn't get a free one.

You like 4:19 better because its almost 4:20! Best time of the day!

I picked a major I like and will one day be living in a cardboard box.

Maybe we shouldn't have a president. We should try having a king for four years and see how that works out for us.

I can understand why people think ECU is filled with sluts, after reading all the Pirate Rants about women sleeping around to get revenge!

I'm sick of taking tests on useless information.

What happens when you die??

Social security is not so secure

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THE EAST CAROLINIAN

Prepare to work until you die. For anyone unaware, Social Security is a supplemental retirement system that was implemented in 1935 as part of Roosevelt's "New Deal." The system is funded by dedicated payroll taxes, with the purpose of securing a threshold where anyone who has paid into the system. However, according to Bruce Bartlett, a senior fellow with the National Center for Policy Analysis, by 2014 current tax revenues will be insufficient to pay current benefits. By 2029, the Social Security trust fund is projected to be exhausted. Unavoidably, a change must be implemented. That change is switching the current Social Security system to the Cato Plan.

Demographic issues, such as longer life expectancy by 12 to 15 years, and a falling fertility rate from 3.6 children per woman to 1.9 as of 2020, have a strong negative impact on Social Security as well. A fertility rate of 2.1 would be needed just to replace the existing population. Numbers alone cannot be relied on to fix the problem, but a more lucrative means of supplying funds. I agree with a widely considered solution to the problem, which is switching to a system of personal investments.

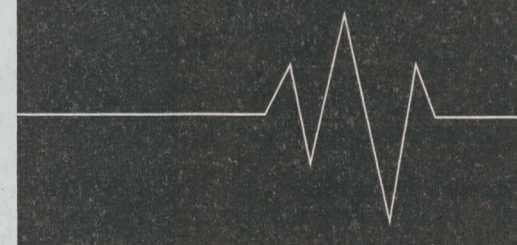
Many people think that the stock market would simply be too risky, but that just isn't so. Throughout the last 80 years, private investments have earned an average return of nearly 8 percent. This period includes the Great Depression, World War II, several smaller wars, the dot-com decline as well as more recent problems. Workers currently can expect a return on their Social Security taxes of 1.5 percent or less. When it comes to the aspect of benefits, the stock market is no less risky than politics. Congress can choose at any time to change benefits, because retirees have no legal right to them.

According to the Cato Plan, individuals would be able to invest their half of payroll, which is 6.2 percentage points through individual accounts. There will be a limited series of investment options, with a life cycle fund as a default mechanism. The remaining 6.2 percentage points will be used to fund the transition costs, as well as survivors' benefits. Those who choose to remain in the current Social Security system would receive whatever level of benefits available to them with existing levels of taxation. This system would give people a chance to convert to a better system, while not excluding those resistant to change.

The time to switch from Social Security to the Cato Plan is now. When considering risk management and rate of returns, there is no comparison. For every year after this one, reforming the system will cost American taxpayers an additional \$600 billion. With Social Security running into deficits within 12 years, time is limited. We should be thinking not only about the well-being of our parents and ourselves, but also about beneficial systems that can be established for our children and future generations.

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Features

{ Campus Scene }

Did you know?

If you are right handed, you tend to chew your food on your right side. If you are left handed, you tend to chew your food on your left side.

The Titanic was the first ship to use the SOS signal.

The pupil of the eye expands as much as 45 percent when a person looks at something pleasing.

The average person who stops smoking requires one hour less sleep a night.

Laughing lowers levels of stress hormones and strengthens the immune system. Six-year-olds laugh an average of 300 times a day. Adults only laugh 15 to 100 times a day.

The roar that we hear when we place a seashell next to our ear is not the ocean, but rather the sound of blood surging through the veins in the ear.

Dalmatians are born without spots.

Bats always turn left when exiting a cave.

The 'v' in the name of a court case does not stand for "versus," but for "and" (in civil proceedings) or "against" (in criminal proceedings).

Men's shirts have the buttons on the right, but women's shirts have the buttons on the left.

The owl is the only bird to drop its upper eyelid to wink. All other birds raise their lower eyelids.

The reason honey is so easy to digest: it has already been digested by a bee before humans eat it.

Roosters cannot crow if they cannot extend their necks.

The color blue has a calming effect. It causes the brain to release calming hormones.

Every time you sneeze, some of your brain cells die.

The verb "cleave" is the only English word with two synonyms that are antonyms of each other: adhere and separate.

When you blush, the lining of your stomach also turns red.

When hippos are upset, their sweat turns red.

The first Harley Davidson motorcycle was built in 1903 and used a tomato can for the carburetor.

The lion that roars in the MGM logo is named Volney.

Google is actually the common name for a number with a million zeros.

Switching letters is called "spoonerism." For example, saying jag of Flapan, instead of flag of Japan.

The attachment of the human skin to muscles is what causes dimples.

There are 1,792 steps to the top of the Eiffel Tower.

The sound you hear when you crack your knuckles is actually the sound of nitrogen gas bubbles bursting.

Human hair and fingernails continue to grow after death.

It takes about 20 seconds for a red blood cell to circle the whole body.

The plastic things on the end of shoelaces are called "aglets."

Most soccer players run seven miles in a game.

The only part of the body that has no blood supply is the cornea of the eye. It takes in oxygen directly from the air.

Every day 200 million couples make love, 400,000 babies are born and 140,000 people die.

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Crowds filled the streets at the annual event.

A trip to the annual Mumfest of New Bern



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Ben Stone, Judy Harkin and Bill Ritchie heading up the Scottish Heritage Society booth.

A little rain never hurt anything

VON LEWIS
THE EAST CAROLINIAN

People filling the streets, carnival rides, eclectic music and the smell of jumbo turkey legs cooking on the rotisserie; all of these and more fulfilled the experience of the Mumfest in New Bern this past weekend.

Held every October, Mumfest has been an event to remember for many town locals and visitors. Entrepreneurs from across the state set up stands along side downtown streets,

spanning an area of 12 square blocks.

Among these booths you could find businesses advertising their services or selling their products, along with awareness booths, which aim to gather support for causes such as breast cancer, domestic violence and animal care.

Just in time for the political season, Mumfest even had Republican and Democratic booths to support the candidates running for election this November. The New Bern police and fire departments also had booths set up with informational and safety tips.

Along with commercial booths, individual vendors sold their wares and different cultural societies displayed their native treasures. From African to Chinese to Scottish to South American, the Mumfest is home to an array of cultural diversity.

Among the culture conscious booths was the Scottish Heritage Society (SHS), who set up shop during the festival.

"We do the Mumfest to help people find their affiliation; if they are Scottish, if they have a clan or district association and to inform people on the Scottish culture," said Judy Harkin,

member of the SHS and chair of the Colonial Capital Scottish Festival.

The SHS not only offered help with finding a clan affiliation, but also provided a knighting service for anyone who desired to add a "Sir" or "Lady" to their birth name (not legally binding, of course).

Further down on Broad Street sat a booth displaying beautiful, South American jewelry; designed to look like what the Incans wore hundreds of years ago.

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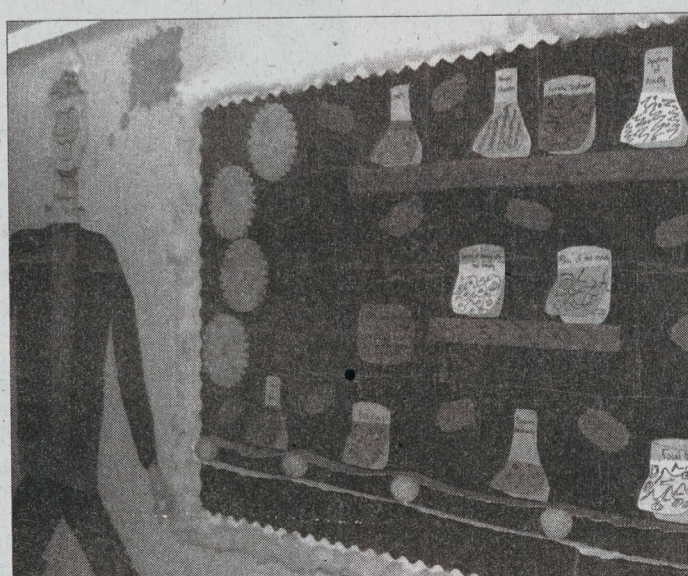
Residence halls inform students about World Mental Health Day

ERIN EDWARDS
THE EAST CAROLINIAN

Oct. 10 kicked off the annual World Mental Health Day, a campaign that has been running for almost 16 years. The event, initiated by the World Federation for Mental Health, promotes education for individual disorders and promotes maintenance for good emotional health. "World Mental Health Day is an international educational campaign that aims to extend knowledge of mental health topics to unaware people," said Renita Moore, a mental health outreach specialist at the ECU Center for Counseling and Student Development. "It is an observance that encourages awareness, empathy and an opportunity for every-

one to recognize the impact that mental/emotional issues have on each of our lives." According to the National Institute of Mental Health, an estimated 26.2 percent of Americans ages 18 and older suffer from a diagnosable mental disorder in a given year. Overall, this figure accounts for 57.7 million Americans. "It is important for ECU students to familiarize themselves with issues concerning mental health and emotional wellness because it is a part of our total wellness and well-being as humans," Moore said. "Often times, people shy away from topics of mental health because the reality is that there is no one way of predicting who will have a mental illness and when it will 'strike.'

To observe the day, the Center for Counseling and Student Development spearheaded a competition between residence halls on campus to come up with a creative, yet informative, bulletin board. Teams of two to four resident advisors were instructed to create the display based on packets containing the most up-to-date information on topics such as anxiety and test taking anxiety, stress management, bipolar disorder and careers in the mental health field. "Even if one person has an 'aha' moment or changes his or her mind about a topic discussed on the board, then I consider the contest a success," Moore said. Jarvis Hall took first place with



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Jarvis Hall, with its "lab anxiety" board, took home first place.

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Stars:
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Synopsis:

Lt. Caleb Holt (Kirk Cameron) is a firefighter who has been married to his wife, Catherine Holt, for 10 years. Before you know it, they start growing apart and start divorce proceedings. That is until Caleb's father asks him to try a 40-day experiment before he gives up on his marriage, called "The Love Dare."

Caleb accepts the dare hoping that it has nothing to do

with their newfound Christian faith and the viewer watches Caleb go through a change of heart. In the end, he takes an old firefighter adage of "never leave your partner behind"—which he applies to his marriage.

The Good

If you can sit through the first 30 minutes of the movie, then you are in for a treat. The dialogue gets better and the acting improves. The viewer is drawn in and even begins to care about the characters. That is exactly the recipe for a good movie. If you are like me, you will find the humor in the bad acting and dialogue and actually enjoy the movie. There are tear-jerker moments that would make

the manliest of men choke up.

The independent film's production budget was \$500,000, but earned \$13 million at the box office. In order to keep production costs down they used church members to act as cast and crew. Oh, and did I mention that Kirk Cameron also worked for free?

The Bad

The first 30 minutes of the movie are almost unbearable, combined with bad acting on all actor's parts and horribly written and performed lines. (You get what you pay for). Sitting there makes you wonder how this movie even got to the big screen.

The Ugly

There are a lot of first-time actors, which yields first-time results. When it comes to the "fighting of the spouses" scene, the acting seems forced and unreal. Since the rating is PG and cussing is non-existent, it is hard to pull off a good marital fight.

Verdict

If you want a good laugh and a good movie, go out and see this independently produced feature film. If you don't like it, your grandmother will.

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Andrea Cazon, a native of Bolivia, helped her mother and her younger sister run a booth.

"All of our jewelry is hand-made with bamboo, a special kind of metal called alpaca, which is similar to stainless steel," said Cazon.

"I feel proud about my heritage and I feel great about the fact that people are willing to accept it," Cazon said. "Our customers always like what we do and are always complementing us. It makes me feel proud of my heritage and proud that this is my job."

With the exception of the

weather, everything and everyone at the Mumfest exuded a positive attitude. Even when it started to rain, the festival goers were not about to leave. The rain fell and the people kept perusing booth after booth. The only things that stopped moving were the rides, for safety reasons.

Even Cowboy Bob stomped through the streets on his stilts and only stopped to have his picture taken with festival goers.

Soon the rain ceased and the rides warmed right back up.

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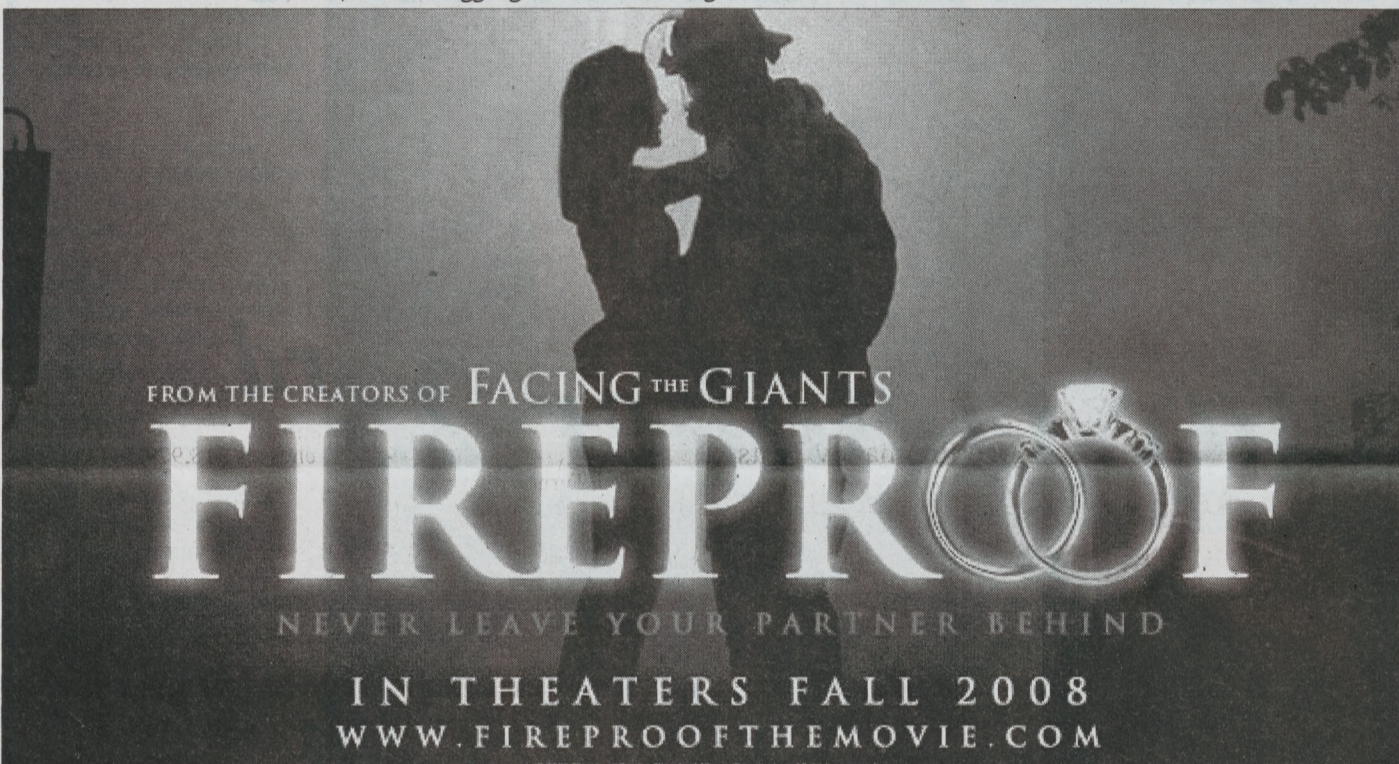
their "anxiety lab theme." Along with Moore, judges included Waz Miller of Campus Living, Karen Warren of Campus Wellness and Shawnte' McMillan of Student Health Services. "In putting up our board, we were trying to educate residences on signs of anxiety, especially during high stress times during the year, with midterms and finals, and how to deal with these issues in a positive manner," said Matthew McCarthy, a resident advisor in Jarvis Hall who was part of the winning team. "Even when

we were out there planning the board, we had several residents come up and have various reactions; some wanted to see it done, some wanted to help and others were amazed at the content of the bulletin board." Runners up included Tyler and Fletcher Halls. For more information on mental health and services that ECU provides, contact the Center for Counseling and Student Development at 328-6661.

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Kirk Cameron stars as Caleb Holt, a man struggling to save his marriage.



The film featured many actors who worked for free.

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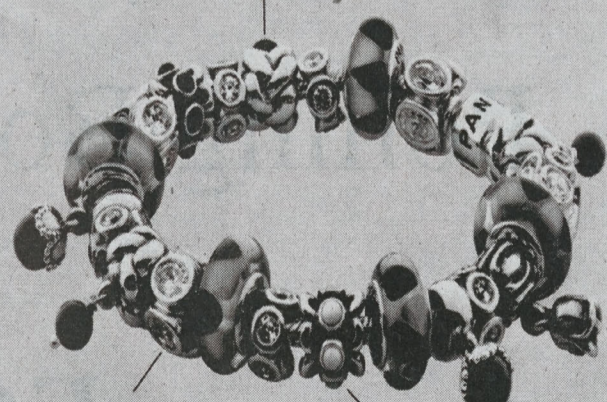
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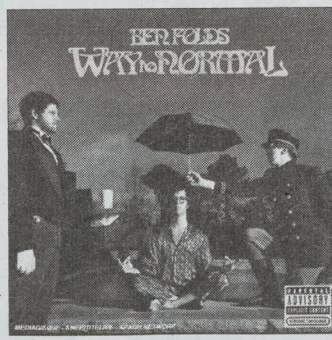
Oasis, Tom Morello return with excellent entries

STEPHEN MASON
THE EAST CAROLINIAN



Oasis - Dig Out Your Soul, 4 out of 5

Recent years have been kind to Oasis. They've never deviated too far from what they became famous for: guitar-heavy alternative rock. *Dig Out Your Soul* is no different, as it follows the same format with remarkable effect. From start to finish, each song operates as its own little world. Rarely do the songs build to gargantuan force; rarely do they shift radically halfway through. Instead, they start and end the same way with an almost "drone-like" feel. "Falling Down" may be one of the best songs they've done in years, with an underlying organ piece overlapped by Chris Sharrock's rollicking drum performance. Same goes for "The Turning," with its sonic background wails and gritty guitar. A job well done by experienced veterans.



Ben Folds - Way to Normal, 3.5 out of 5

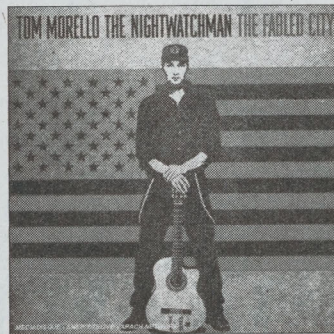
After several years, the piano-rocking god has returned with a new slew of tunes and a new persona. *Rockin' the Suburbs* (his first solo album) showed him as the punky nerd poking fun at MTV-watching high school kids, and *Songs for Silverman* had a calmer, father-like tone. On *Way to Normal*, Ben Folds has stepped into the more absurd, sometimes irrational anger at the world. The most marked difference, though, is the use of electronics. No track better emphasizes that than "Free Coffee," which is a fine track, but being surrounded by piano-heavy songs makes it feel out of place. The peak of the album is its center, the string-oriented "Cologne," which harks back to the days of songs like "Army" from Ben Folds' *Five*. This may be a transitional period for Folds, who, even with a less-than-enthusiastic entry here, is always sure to deliver a few wonderful moments.



Blitzen Trapper - Furr, 3.5 out of 5

Imitating an artist isn't always smiled upon, and emulating them even less so. Blitzen Trapper, though, seems to break the mold. Their brand of psychedelic folk-rock is obviously heavily influenced by the four boys, but the elements of Americana that they bring don't always necessitate *Magical Mystery Tour* references (though it's not above CSN and Neil Young references). The title track is the band's strongest moment, which boasts of stability in their Americana roots. It's the story of a life with friends told in a more unorthodox way, but there are not many metaphors that work better; the singer compares his adopted family to a pack of wolves. Strange? Yes, but certainly fitting and clever. What holds *Furr* back is its monotony, which starts to sag towards the middle and rarely picks up again. It's an interesting if not promising entry for a

band that needs to shed all its detracting critics--who honestly aren't all in the wrong.



The Nightwatchman - The Fabled City, 4 out of 5

Tom Morello returns from his solo debut, *One Man Revolution*, with another batch of political folk ditties. Unlike his debut, *The Fabled City* incorporates far more than just his acoustic guitar. It's still there as is his signature growling baritone, but the embrace of the harmonica, lively drums and electric guitar and bass enhance the experience. The sound being louder may not make his message louder, but it still holds all the sincerity that *One Man Revolution* did. "I will always stand beside you/Defend you and mend you," is a promise Morello wants to keep, as he always seems genuine about his care for people.

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In most watch advertisements, the time displayed on the watch is 10:10 because at that time, the arms frame the band of the watch (and make it look like it is smiling).

Colgate faced big obstacles marketing toothpaste in Spanish-speaking countries. Colgate translates into the command "go hang yourself."

The only two animals that can see what is behind them without turning its head are the rabbit and the parrot.

Intelligent people have more zinc and copper in their hair.

The average person laughs 13 times a day.

Do you know the names of the three wise monkeys? The names of the three wise monkeys are: Mizaru (See no evil), Mikazaru (Hear no evil) and Mazaru (Speak no evil).

Women blink nearly twice as much as men.

German Shepherds bite humans more than any other breed of dog.

Large kangaroos cover more than 30 feet with each jump.

Whip makes a cracking sound because its tip moves faster than the speed of sound.

The human heart creates enough pressure while pumping to squirt blood 30 feet.

Saturday mail delivery in Canada was eliminated by the Canada Post on Feb. 1, 1969.

You have enough microorganisms in your mouth to equal a cockroach.

Americans choke on toothpicks more than anything else.

In England, the Speaker of the House is not allowed to speak.

Every time you lick a stamp you gain one-tenth of a calorie.

Walt Disney was afraid of mice.

Ted Turner owns five percent of New Mexico.

Dolly Parton once lost a Dolly Parton look-alike contest.

Toto was paid \$125 a week during the filming of the Wizard of Oz.

The Sears Tower in Chicago has its own zip code.

Reindeer enjoy eating bananas.

Leonardo da Vinci spent 12 years painting Mona Lisa's lips.

Tennessee used to be called Franklin.

There are as many chickens on this planet as humans.

We know more about the surface of the moon than we do about the bottom of the ocean.

Killer Whales capture fish by slapping them.

About one-third of all Americans flush the toilet while they're still sitting on it.

Research indicates that mosquitoes are attracted to people who have recently eaten bananas.

The average bank teller loses about \$250 every year.

The sound of E.T. walking (in the film) was made by someone squishing her hands in Jello.

A monkey was once tried and convicted for smoking a cigarette in South Bend, Indiana.

It's against the law to catch fish with your bare hands in Kansas.

Most lipstick contains fish scales.

Hypnotism is banned by public schools in San Diego.

Most cows give more milk when they listen to music.

Spotted skunks do handstands before they spray.

The odds of hitting a jackpot with a slot machine are 889 to one.

The number of possible ways of playing the first four moves per side in a game of chess is 318,979,564,000.

At least two people die every year from vending machines falling on them.

It is estimated that at any one moment, 0.7 percent of the world's population are drunk.

Most people use over 16,000 gallons of water in their lifetime.

When glass breaks, the cracks move faster than 3,000 miles per hour.

You use more calories eating celery than there are in the celery itself.

Vanna White has received over 3,500 written letters proposing to her.

In 1972, a group of scientists reported that you could cure the common cold by freezing the big toe.

The attachment of the human skin to muscles is what causes dimples.

The adult human heart weighs about 10 ounces.

Most toilets flush in E flat.

Dark Side of The Moon (a Pink Floyd album) stayed on the top 200 Billboard Album Chart for 741 weeks, or 14 years.

A toaster uses almost half as much energy as a full-sized oven.

All babies are color blind when they are born.

Albert Einstein was offered the presidency of Israel in 1952, but he declined.

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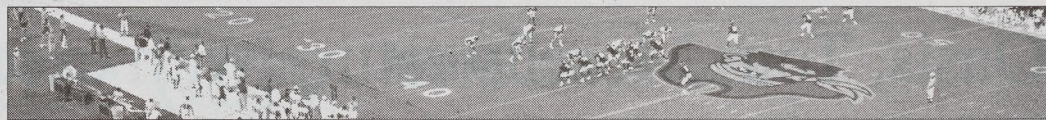
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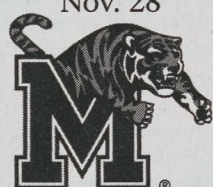
Sports

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ECU Schedule

- vs. Virginia Tech
W, 27-22
- vs. West Virginia
W, 24-3
at Tulane
W, 28-24
- at N.C. State
L, 30-24
- vs. Houston
L, 41-24
- at Virginia
L, 35-20
- vs. Memphis
Oct. 18
at UCF
Nov. 2
- vs. Marshall
Nov. 8
- at Southern Miss
Nov. 15
- at UAB
Nov. 22
- vs. UTEP
Nov. 28



West Virginia Schedule

- at. Mississippi
L, 41-24
- vs. Rice
L, 42-35
- at. Marshall
L, 17-16
- vs. Nicholls State
W, 31-10
- vs. Arkansas State
W, 29-17
- at. UAB
W, 33-30
- vs. Louisville
L, 35-28
- at. ECU
Oct. 18
- vs. Southern Miss
Oct. 25
- at. SMU
Nov. 8
- vs. UCF
Nov. 22
- vs. Tulane
Nov. 29

THEY SAID IT

"A year ago we won eight games in the fourth quarter, four of them on the last play of the game. We've got to be able to find a way to finish these opportunities we've had in the fourth quarter."

-ECU coach
Skip Holtz

"All the credit goes to [Special Teams Coach] Bob Diaco--it was his idea--and to Scott Deke and John Phillips for the execution. It clearly got us a touchdown there, which was much more valuable than having kicked a field goal."

- Virginia coach Al Groh on his teams' fake field goal

"We're playing at a good level right now, but we're not playing at a level high enough to turn and be able to get over the hump in some of these games against pretty stiff competition."

-Skip Holtz

"Right now, there's a couple of players down after the loss and that's going to be any team. At the same time, everybody knows we're still in the hunt for this thing."

-ECU defensive back
Travis Simmons

"We're down a little bit right now because we're on a little losing streak but the confidence level is always going to be there. We just have to keep our head up and work hard out here like we did today."

- ECU sophomore running back
Jonathan Williams

MEMPHIS AT ECU
OCT. 18, GREENVILLE, N.C.

A season on the brink



TRAVIS BARTLETT | THE EAST CAROLINIAN

Memphis Starting Lineup



Offense

- QB- Arkelon Hall, Jr.
- RB- Curtis Steele, Jr.
- WR- Carlos Singleton, Jr.
- WR- Earnest Williams, Sr.
- WR- Maurice Jones, Sr.
- TE- Brett Russell, Sr.
- LT- Cody Stubblefield, Sr.
- LG- Dominik Riley, Soph.
- C- Philip Beliles, Sr.
- RG- Malcom Rawls, Jr.
- RT- Brandon Pearce, Sr.

Defense

- DE- Jada Brown, Jr.
- DE- Corey Mills, Sr.
- DT- Freddie Barnett, Sr.
- DT- Clinton Mc Donald, Sr.
- LB- Jeremy Longstreet, Soph.
- LB- Winston Bowens, Soph.
- LB- Greg Jackson, Jr.
- CB- D.A. Griffin, Jr.
- CB- Deante' Lamar, Jr.
- FS- Brandon Patterson, Jr.
- SS- Alton Starr, Jr.

Special Teams

- K- Vinny Zaccario, Fr.
- P- Brent Sutherland, Sr.
- KR- Michael Grandberry, Sr.
- ; Earnest Williams, Sr.
- PR- D.A. Griffin, Jr.

Pirates looking for turnaround win

KELLEN HOLTZMAN
THE EAST CAROLINIAN

Heading into 2008, a conference championship and a Liberty Bowl appearance were the gold standard for a successful ECU season.

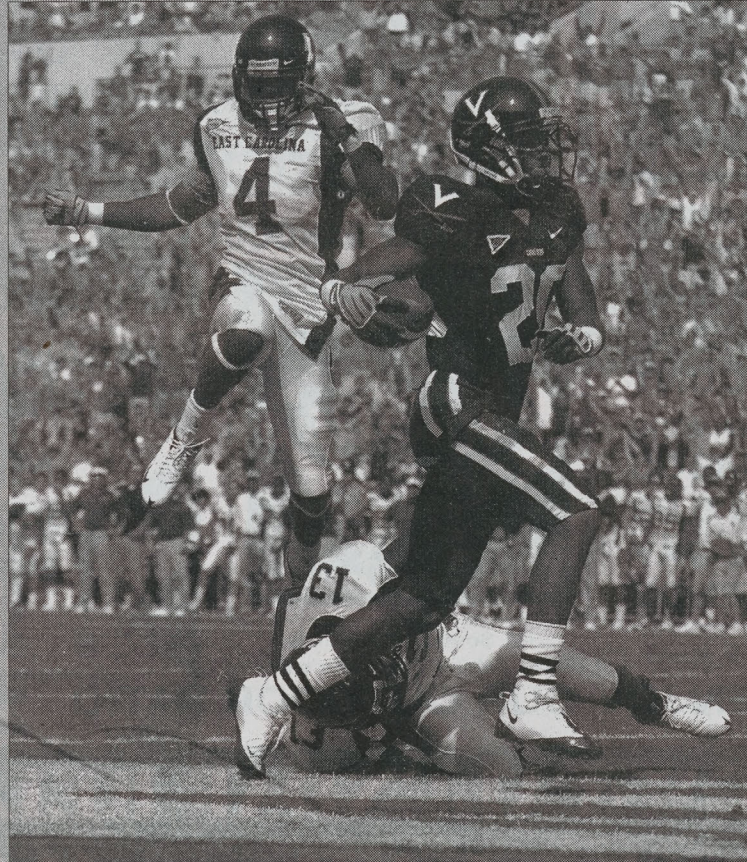
Now that the Pirates' non-conference schedule and all of the distractions that came with it are finally behind them, the team is set to solely focus on its original goals.

This time last season, ECU (3-3, 1-1) was only 1-3 in non-conference play and had the same 1-1 record in C-USA play.

"Right now, really, when you look at it, we're probably one game better than we were a year ago," said ECU coach Skip Holtz, on Monday. "But that wasn't the goal coming in. The goal coming in, as we talked about it, was a conference championship, to compete and see how good we could be out of conference and see if we could improve on our record from a year ago."

The next step to improving from last season will come this weekend when Memphis (3-4, 1-2) visits Dowdy-Ficklen Stadium.

The Tigers have not looked overly impressive this season with their three wins coming against Nicholls State, Arkan-



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sas State and UAB. However, their last three losses were by an average of five points, including last weekend's 35-28 defeat to Louisville, a game that Holtz believes Memphis outplayed the Big East opponents.

"Memphis is a heck of a football team," Holtz said. "They are sitting there with a 3-4 record right now. Just like we could sit here and argue that we are a couple plays away from being undefeated, they could argue they are a couple plays away from sitting here as a 6-1 football team."

Limiting a talented Tiger receiving corps will be a tall order for a Pirate secondary that continues to struggle with stopping the long ball. Memphis is averaging 283.4 yards passing per game this season and put up 351 yards on the Cardinals.

Duke Calhoun, only a junior, is already third all-time in receiving yards as a Tiger. Memphis boasts three receivers that are at least 6-foot-4, including Carlos Singleton, who is 6-foot-8. Singleton currently ranks in the top-5 in C-USA in receiving yards.

ECU's tallest cornerback, Dekota Marshall, measures in at 6-foot-1, but his playing status is listed as probable after suffering an injury this past weekend against Virginia. Senior cornerback Jerek Hewett also went down against the Cavaliers and is listed as doubtful.

These injuries will make it even more difficult for remaining Pirate corners like Travis Simmons to stand up to the Tiger wide-outs.

"We know with the height that they have at receiver, we're going to definitely have to be able to jump, play with

East Carolina Starting Lineup



Offense

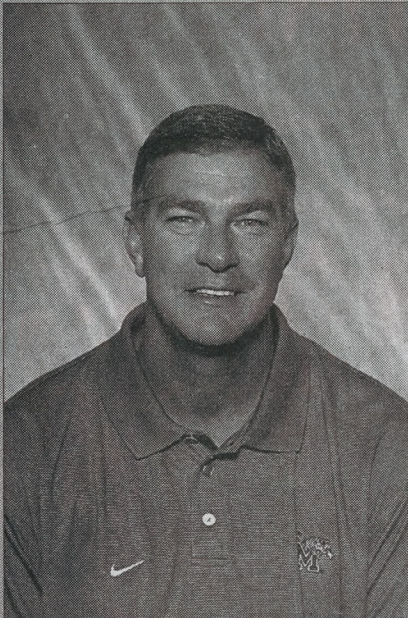
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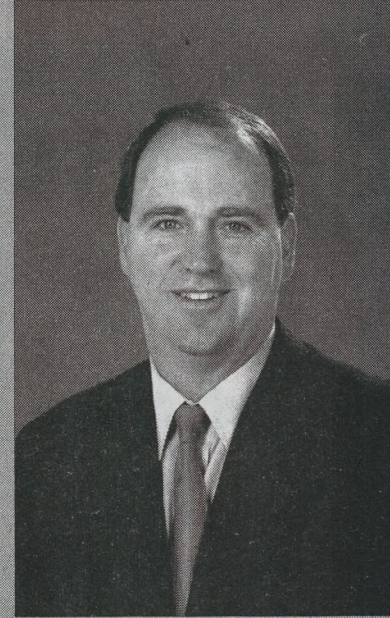
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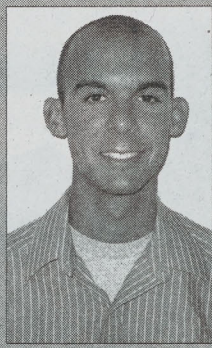
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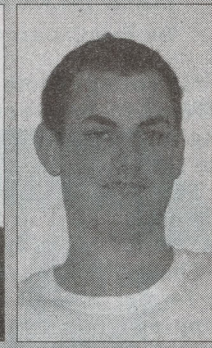
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Virginia adds to ECU's wounds

JARED JACKSON
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"In college football, the difference between winning and losing is a very fine line."

That's what ECU coach Skip Holtz said in a press conference Monday.

The Pirates have made the former a habit of late, dropping a non-conference contest 35-20 to Virginia [3-3, 1-1 ACC] last Saturday in Charlottesville. The loss is the third straight for ECU [3-3, 1-1 Conference USA], which was ranked No. 14 in the nation a little over a month ago.

The Cavs, fresh off a 31-0 mauling of Maryland, have looked like a completely different team the past two weeks since taking a 31-3 defeat at the hands of Duke three weeks ago. ECU, on the other hand, has been plagued by the injury bug and hasn't looked like its former self since losing a heartbreaker in overtime to N.C. State on Sept. 20.

"It was a frustrating and disappointing loss for this football team. I thought the team played extremely hard," Holtz said of the UVA game.

UVA owned the first half of the contest, totaling 328 yards of offense before intermission. Most of the yardage came from senior running back Cedric Peerman, who had touchdown runs of 79 and 60 yards to give Virginia a commanding 14-6 lead.

"They have a good running back. He took advantage of his blocking and hit his edge and went ... it was hard going against him," said ECU senior defensive lineman Khalif Mitchell of Peerman, who finished with 173 rushing yards and two touchdowns against ECU.

Peerman wasn't the only one to shine in the first half. Mikell Mitchell also scored in the opening half with a 5-yard touchdown run, while a Marc Verica 30-yard pass to Kevin Ogletree concluded the 21 point second quarter for UVA. The Cavs took a daunting 28-6 lead into halftime.

"We felt like if we could get it down to a one-score game through the third quarter that we would be in good shape," Holtz said.

The Pirates were able to do just that while looking like a glimpse of the team that started the season 3-0.

A Dwayne Harris 59-yard kickoff return to open the second half, paved the way for a Jonathan Williams 1-yard touchdown run. Two possessions later it was Harris again who sparked the Pirates, with a 52-yard reception from quarterback Patrick Pinkney to move the chains downfield. Eight plays later, ECU found the end zone again behind a 10-yard pass from Pinkney to running back Brandon Simmons to cut the deficit to 28-20.

"We just got in a rhythm and everyone had that motor to work harder," said Pinkney, of the third quarter. "We got in the mindset of 'we have a chance to win this game.'"

Pinkney was 12-of-28 on the day for 196 yards and one touchdown. While he was a huge part of getting ECU back to within one score early in the fourth quarter, he also had a huge part in the Cavs' final touchdown, which slammed the door shut on the Pirates.

With just over nine minutes left in the game, Pinkney was sacked for a nine-yard loss and in the process fumbled to give UVA the ball in prime field position at the ECU 24.

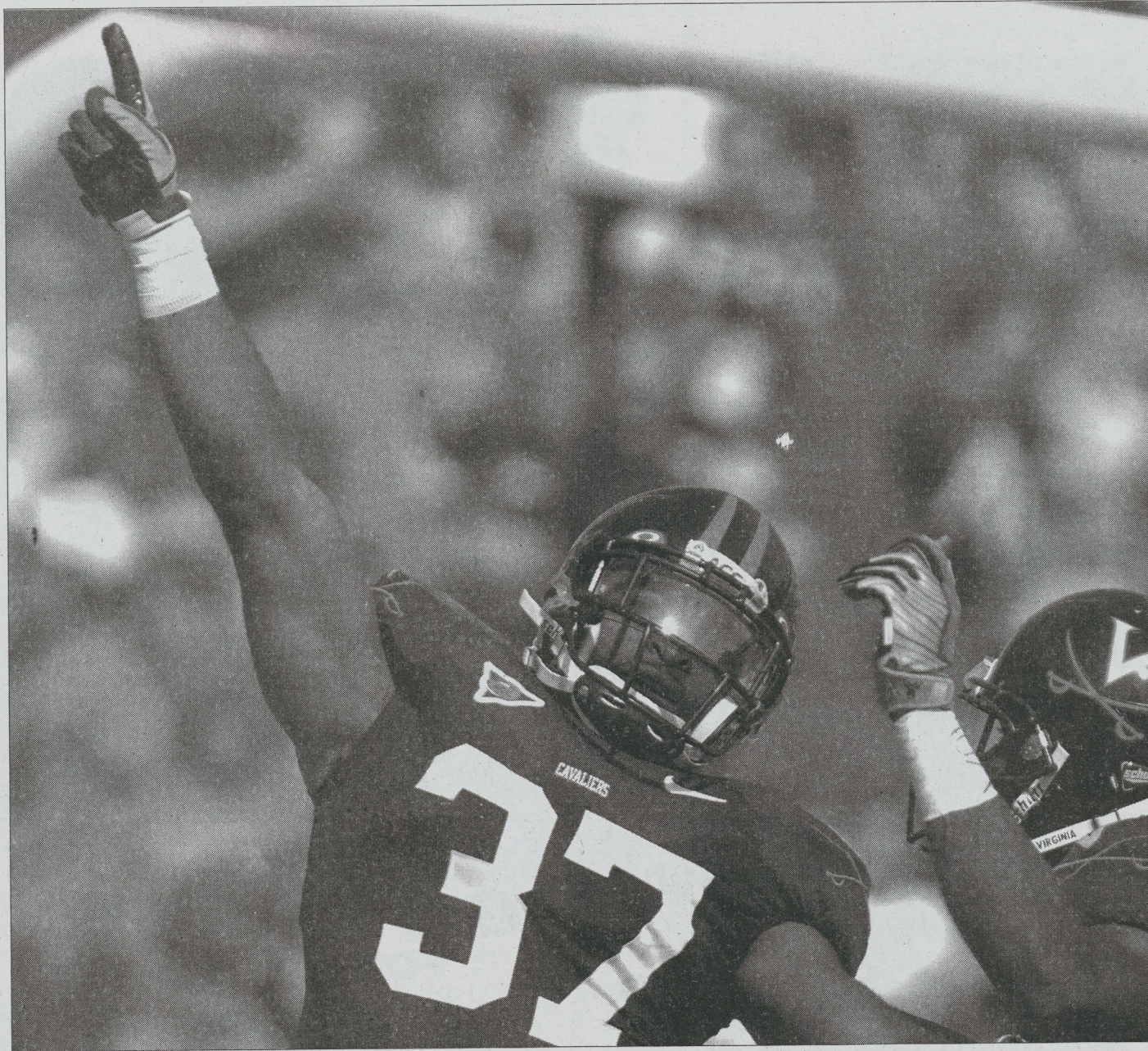
"I thought it was a really positive [performance] besides the fumble," Pinkney said. "I'm not throwing any interceptions; it's just fumbles. Sometimes you can't help it—you can't see the defender—but it's all about keeping two hands on the ball and I just got to cut the fumbles down."

The ECU defense was able to contain the Cavs, but on the fourth down, a 12-yard fake field goal pass from quarterback/holder Scott Deke to tight end John Phillips put UVA up 35-20—which in the end was the winning margin.

The Pirates had a solid second half other than two fumbles and giving up the touchdown on the fake field goal. The defense, in particular, was stellar in the second half in only giving up seven points and 102 total yards.

Sophomore running back Williams was also another bright spot for ECU. In his first truly significant action of the season, Williams rushed for 95 yards and one touchdown on 19 carries.

"I was pleased with the way John played and I think he brings something to the table," Holtz said.



Virginia running back Cedric Peerman (37) punished the ECU defense with 173 yards and two touchdowns.

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"He is becoming a more physical runner and more confident in what he has to do in there as a football player."

UVA quarterback Marc Verica had an efficient game in completing 25-of-32 passes for 216 yards and one touchdown.

However, while ECU lost the game in the first

half, the Pirates had their chances.

"We had plenty of opportunities in this game and we just couldn't capitalize on them," Holtz said.

After forcing two interceptions and a three-and-out on the Cavs first three drives, ECU was only able to come away with six points on Ben Hartman

field goals of 35 and 45 yards.

"When we get down in the red zone we have to finish," Pinkney said. "We have to put six on the board because that's the difference in the game. It's all about finishing the drives that finish the game after 60 minutes."

At the end of the day,

UVA scorched ECU for 430 total yards while the Pirates were only able to muster out 285. The Cavs also led ECU in first downs--21-14--while the Pirates had the ball a little more than a minute longer in time of possession.

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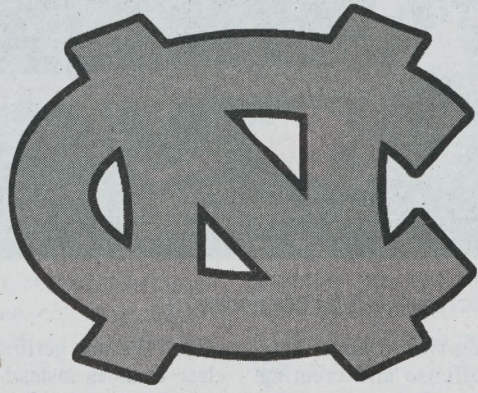
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Week eight: Ranking the Carolinas

RONNIE WOODWARD
THE EAST CAROLINIAN

1. N. Carolina



Record: 5-1
Last week: Won vs. Notre Dame, 29-24

UNC beat Notre Dame despite its best player, Brandon Tate, not playing for most of the game. Tate hurt his knee on a punt return in the first quarter, but fellow receiver Hakeem Nicks and quarterback Cam Sexton willed the Heels to yet another win. They will have to get used to playing without Tate, however, as the senior's career is now over with a torn MCL and ACL. UNC will get tested now, as the ACC's best player will be on the sidelines watching the rest of the season. That test starts this week with Virginia, a team we all know is hitting on all cylinders right now.

2. S. Carolina



Record: 5-2
Last week: Won at Kentucky, 24-17

South Carolina is about as quiet as a 5-2 football team can be. After losing to Vanderbilt and Georgia in back-to-back weeks last month, USC has ripped off three straight wins—including two straight SEC wins on the road. Quarterback Stephen Garcia led USC's comeback win at Kentucky despite not starting. The talented freshman replaced Chris Smelley in the third quarter and finished the game 10-of-14 for 169 yards and one touchdown. Keeping that momentum will be tough this week when LSU comes to town, however. The Tigers, fresh off a beating from Florida, should be playing with revenge on their minds—not good, Gamecock fans.

3. Wake Forest



Record: 4-1
Last week: Won vs. Clemson, 12-7

All the talk about the Clemson-Wake Forest debacle last Thursday has been about Tommy Bowden—and rightfully so. The Tigers' loss was so bad that Bowden stepped down as the head coach Monday afternoon and wide receivers coach Dabo Swinney will be the interim coach for the rest of the season. The Deacons' win over Clemson looks less credible now, as it is evident that the Clemson's players were not willing to fight for Bowden's job, which showed in their game against Wake. With that said, Wake did its job and won the game. It will have to continue to do that on the road now, as it plays at Maryland and at Miami the next two weeks.

4. Duke



Record: 3-2
Last week: bye week

The top-3 teams in this poll are pretty equal. There's a pretty big drop-off after that, however. The Blue Devils had a bye week last week, and they needed it. After getting stomped by Georgia Tech 27-0 in its first road game of the season, Duke will have to change its ways on the road if it wants a bowl berth this season. After hosting Miami Saturday, the Blue Devils play four of their final six games on the road. Given the schedule, Duke needs to beat Miami this week, because home games will be few and far between from here on out.

5. N.C. State



Record: 2-4
Last week: bye week

N.C. State enters the rankings this week because, well, somebody has to be ranked fifth. Clemson simply doesn't deserve any type of ranking after what happened with its program in the last week, and ECU needs to record a win before it creeps back in. The good news for the Wolfpack is that they play Florida State tonight, which is still N.C. State's Superbowl. You can expect an all-out effort from N.C. State tonight, because the roster is still littered with enough of Chuck Amato's players. The bad news for N.C. State is it might not matter, because Florida State is so much better than the Wolfpack this year that even a maximum effort by N.C. State will not guarantee a win.

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Last-second heroics lifts Pirates

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The Lady Pirate soccer team defeated conference foes Tulsa and SMU last weekend, extending their unbeaten run to six games. ECU (10-3-1, 5-0-1) beat Tulsa with a last second golden goal in double OT on Friday and then defeated SMU 2-1 on Sunday. The Lady Pirates extended their conference lead to four points over Colorado College.

Against Tulsa, ECU dominated the game unleashing 20 shots to only five for the Golden Hurricane. But, despite the Lady Pirates attacking verve, they failed to find the back of the net until, with four seconds remaining on the clock, senior forward Blair Heffner slotted home a Nicole Moore corner kick to give them a 1-0 victory.

It was Heffner's fourth goal of the season, which ties her for the team lead with junior Alexis Foltz.

ECU came close to scoring numerous occasions in regular time, putting a total of nine shots on goal. Heffner sent a shot just wide in the 10th minute and Foltz

rattled the woodwork in the 70th, but the Lady Pirates were unable to find the back of the net. And when it looked as though the game would end in a scoreless draw, Heffner beat the keeper for her conference leading third game-winning goal.

When asked how it felt to tally the game winner, Heffner said, "Amazing."

She was also pleased with the team's performance over the weekend.

"I think we played really well," the senior said. "We needed to step it up this weekend, like always, and I think we did that. And, I think the practices leading up to it helped a lot."

Sunday the Lady Pirates faced SMU, who were in second-to-last place in the conference. ECU took the lead in the 37th minute when Foltz put home a cross from sophomore Tricia Tufts. The Lady Pirates doubled that lead in the 76th minute when freshman Amanda Malkiewicz was put in a one-on-one with the SMU goalkeeper by fellow freshman Leah Bagonis, and placed it in the left corner for the eventual game-winner.

The Mustangs would pull one



Senior Blair Heffner (26) scoring the golden goal against Tulsa last Friday.

back three minutes later, but then the Lady Pirates shut up shop and held SMU without a shot for the remainder of the contest to hang on for 2-1 victory.

Head Coach Rob Donnenwirth spoke about his team's play this weekend.

"The biggest thing I think we're doing well is the energy we play with on the field," said Donnenwirth. "We're playing as a group really well and making it difficult for other teams to get in a rhythm when they have the ball. And then

we're doing well transitioning into our offense and creating good chances."

Donnenwirth emphasized the word "good" due to the team's habit of not wasting opportunities or making bad decisions. ECU ranks last in the conference in shots per game, but is second in the conference in shots on goal, which points to their solid build-up play and accurate shooting.

"I think it's the quality of shots that we're creating which has helped us out," Donnenwirth

said. "We are getting a lot of clear chances instead of taking bad shots on half-chances. In that respect I think we're doing very well."

However, Donnenwirth stressed that while the team is playing well, there is a lot of soccer still to be played.

"Obviously we're happy where we are this point. 5-0-1 is very good, but we have sixteen points in our league right now and there's still 15 points up for grabs," he said. "We're basically just half way done with confer-

ence play. We're happy where we are right now, but we have to stay focused and do the things we need to do."

The Lady Pirates have another important home weekend coming up. They will host Colorado College Friday at 4 p.m. and then take on UTEP Sunday at noon. Colorado is second in C-USA with 12 points and UTEP isn't too far behind, with 10.

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Pierre Bell after a fumble recovery against Houston.

our hands, and get the ball out as much as we can," said Simmons, a sophomore.

Memphis quarterback Arkelon Hall is making it easier for his towering receivers. The junior ranks fourth in C-USA passing yards and has 10 touchdowns on the season.

For ECU, the quarterback position continues to be an area of concern. Holtz announced on Monday that both Patrick Pinkney and Rob Kass will see action against Memphis.

"Right now it's very difficult to look Rob in the eye, as much as he has played, as much experience he has and the way he has played in his opportunities, and tell him that he doesn't deserve a shot," Holtz said. "I just don't know at this point what the rotation is going to be, but both quarterbacks will definitely play."

Running back is another position that has been highly competitive this season. Last week against the Cavaliers, sophomore Jonathan Williams took most of the carries in his first true outing as the feature back. Williams rushed for 96 yards and one touchdown on 19 carries.

Brandon Simmons and Norman Whitley combined for just three carries against UVA.

"I'm just coming out here and working hard every day and trying to gain that level of respect and confidence from my team and the coaches," Williams said of the battle at tailback. "This isn't an individual thing right now. It's a team thing. We're just trying to pick it up right now."

While the Memphis receivers attract most of the attention, the Tigers' impressive ground game gives coach Tommy West a balanced offense.

Memphis is third in C-USA in rushing yards and junior running back Curtis Steele is third in the league in rushing, behind only to Tulane's Andre Anderson and Southern Miss' Damion Fletcher.

Strong safety Alton Starr and defensive tackle Clinton McDonald lead the way for the Tigers on the defensive side of the ball. Starr leads the team with 51 total tackles while McDonald is the team leader with seven sacks for a team that has given up an average of 363 yards of total offense per game.

ECU will continue to attack defenses without the services of receiver Jamar Bryant, who has been suspended for the remainder of the season.

Holtz is expecting fierce competition at receiver as well as the offensive line and secondary this week in practice.

"I certainly don't want to call what we're in a 'slump' because I think we've lost to three pretty good football teams and we've been in the games but just haven't been able to close the door," said Holtz. "I think we've got to find people who are motivated to go out there and play at a high level."

If the Pirates are to rebound and give Holtz his first conference title, this weekend's game against Memphis is likely a must-win.

"We have to [win]," said senior defensive tackle Khalif Mitchell. "It's part of our conference championship mission and that's what we're playing for now."

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I'm subleasing my apartment. It's a separate contract lease at North Campus Crossing. It would be a bedroom in a three bedroom unit. Private bath. Preferably a female. It is \$485 a month, utilities, cable, Internet, all included. I will pay subleasing fee. Contact Lee at 336-409-8789.

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Part-time Positions Open at Greenville Recreation & Parks Department. Youth Basketball Coaches and Referees: Greenville Recreation & Parks Department is recruiting youth basketball coaches and referees for the 08-09 Winter youth basketball program. Applicants must possess a good knowledge in officiating basketball games. Applicants must be able to coach and officiate league games for ages 5-18. Games are played on various days (Monday-Saturday) and hours are flexible according to class schedule. This program will run from December 1 to early March. Salary range will start at \$7.25 an hour. For more information, please contact the Athletic Office at 329-4550, Monday through Thursday 12 pm - 9 pm and Friday 12 pm - 7 pm. Please visit www.greenvillenc.gov to fill out an employment application.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

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The ECU French Department is hosting an information session on Friday, October 17th from 2:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. in 3318 Bate Building to discuss majoring and minoring in French. For more information, contact Dr. Debra Anderson (andersonde@ecu.edu).

Dr. Moya Luckett, who is a Visiting Assistant Professor in the Department of Media Studies at CUNY-Queens College, will be a guest speaker at an upcoming event titled, "Celebrity, Self Awareness and the Conscious-

ness of Self". The event will focus on celebrity culture of the 1910s and how its demands for stars nearly destroyed the film industry. The event will be in the Bate Building, Room 1032 from 5:00 pm to 6:00 pm on Monday, October 20th. Contact Amanda Ann Klein (kleina@ecu.edu or 252-328-6681) for more information.

Dale's Indian Cuisine is the only authentic Indian restaurant in Greenville. We are located on 419 Evans Street. Lunch buffet M-F. Dinner buffet M & T. All ECU students, faculty, and staff receive 10% off with ID. 252-551-3253.

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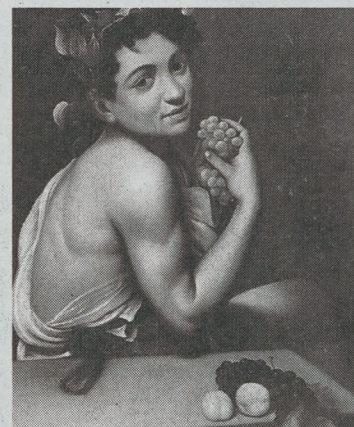
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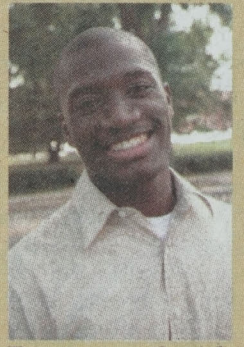
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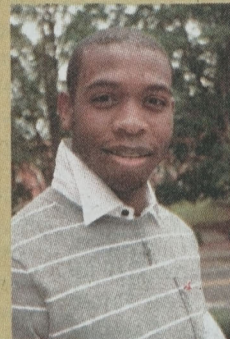
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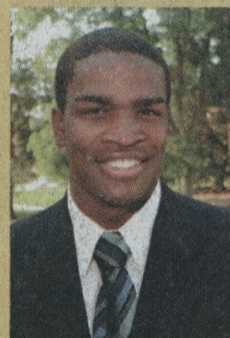
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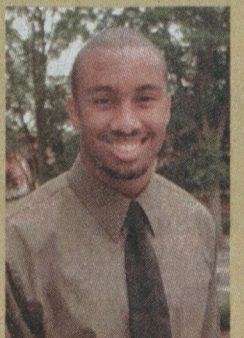
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