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Students petition for better athletic conference

Staff Reports

With the expansion of the Dowdy Ficklen Stadium, which will now hold 50,000 fans, eager students are hoping to further enhance ECU athletics.

A petition has been set up on petitiononline.com to encourage Governor Beverly Perdue to move ECU into a stronger conference.

The petition urges Perdue to rise to the occasion during a time when ECU "stands to either have a historical future or continued uncertainty on the outside looking in as numerous conferences face expansion and shuffling in the very, very near future."

ECU's largest financial revenue comes from football, the petition reminded the governor.

The document provided a persuasive example to show Perdue that the change was feasible. Mark Warner, former Virginia governor, used his influence to help Virginia Tech become a part of the ACC. They drew attention to the recognition the school received from USA Today, Sports Illustrated, CNN and many sites online.

The top reasons authors of the petition list for changing conferences include the lengthy and expensive travel to visit other Conference USA schools. The travel time distracts students from schoolwork.

Secondly, the petition states that ECU lacks an in-conference regional rival that would draw more fans to events.

Thirdly, the writers point out that sporting events draw students from all over to the university.

So far, the petition has 1,837 signatures.

SGA gives plaque to Dr. Ross

Staff Reports

On April 14th, the students of ECU joined together at Ross Orthodontics located at 200 W. Arlington Boulevard to present a commemorative plaque to Dr. Ledyard Ross of Greenville. Dr. Ross recently donated \$4 million to the new School of Dentistry.

Those in attendance included the following: Brad Congleton, student body president; Antonio Virella, senate president; Josh Martinkovic, current chief of staff and SGA vice president-elect; Justin Davis, SGA treasurer-elect and Kristina Dortschy, SGA secretary-elect.

The award was presented to Dr. Ross in a show of gratitude by the students for his interest in furthering the development of the new School of Dentistry as a central hub for Eastern North Carolina. The students in attendance were taken on a tour of Dr. Ross' office where they were introduced to many of the dedicated members of his staff. The students gained a first-hand understanding of Dr. Ross' compassion for his profession and the patients that he has seen over the years.

Students vote for student section name

Staff Reports

Today through Saturday, students can log onto OneStop to vote for their top choice for the student section of the enhanced and expanded football stadium.

The choices previously voted on are No Quarter Zone, The Boneyard and Graveyard of the Atlantic.

The winning choice will be announced at Barefoot on the Mall on April 22.

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Million Marijuana March faces challenges obtaining permit

Will Hiebert
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The creators of the Greenville Million Marijuana March Facebook event, which over 7,000 ECU students and Greenville locals have been invited to, are having troubles getting the permits required for the event.

The Greenville Million Marijuana March is scheduled for

Sunday, May 2, from "high noon to 4:20 p.m." at the Mendenhall Brickyard and will have a picnic, T-shirts and variety of live music from alternative rock to experimental death metal to hip-hop. Bands include An Eternity Incognito, Consume the Stars, HNL, Jakeleg, En Serenade and many others.

Since anywhere from

a couple hundred to a couple thousand students can come out to the event, permits to march and to solicit funds are needed, but were not granted. According to Associate Vice Chancellor of Environmental Health, Safety, and Parking and Transportation, Bill Koch, their permit wasn't granted because the ECU Police Department "doesn't have a mechanism for approving marches. We have done some quiet marches, but no protest marches... My concern with the march is for safety of the marchers and impeding traffic/operations. Although the event occurs on a weekend, it also occurs during exam week and we need to be respectful of those students who are study-

ing." In a phone interview with Koch, he said that ECU PD was contacting N.C. State's and Chapel Hill's Police Departments to try to get the protocol for protest marches.

The solicitation of funds permit was not granted on the grounds that the funds would not be collected by a charitable organization. This came only a few days before the city denied permits for the Riverwalk Block Party.

The event's creators, ECU junior communication major Chelsea Burdette and sophomore marketing major David Price, aren't laying down lightly though. Price said that other marches have happened on campus before. He also said that since PayPal donations aren't regulated by the city, he doesn't need a funds solicitation permit to take donations on his Web site, davidsdogma.com. The donated money goes to renting equipment, buying food and T-shirts and getting permits so the live music they have scheduled can play.

Burdette and Price,

who both identify themselves as Libertarians and are active members of College Libertarians, which is the campus organization hosting the event. Although the libertarians are hosting the event, the Greenville Medicinal Marijuana March is a part of a worldwide movement called the Global Marijuana March, which has 279 marches organized in almost every country around the world for the weekend of the May 1 and 2.

Tuesday, April 13 was the one-year anniversary of the Medicinal Marijuana Act bill getting stopped in the Health Committee of the

North Carolina General Assembly. Burdette and Price's event was aimed at educating the public about the legalization of marijuana so that the next time a marijuana legalization bill gets introduced, it will have more popular support.

Physician and chair of the Health Committee, Rep. Bob England, said, "It certainly was a well written and exceptionally researched document. I am a physician as well as a legislator, so I understand the subject of medicinal use; therefore, I accept the discussion to continue to explore the medicinal purposes. We will now have to wait to see the next step taken by Rep. Jones."

The bill that failed would have allowed patients with a variety of serious health issues with symptoms that include "severe pain, severe nausea, anorexia, seizures or severe and persistent muscle spasms" to have up to 24 ounces of "usable plant." This bill wouldn't have been enough for Burdette or Price, who seek universal legalization and authority to grow personal

marijuana instead of having to purchasing from a dispensary, which is a company that would purchase usable marijuana from people with a government-issued marijuana production license and sell it to people with a prescription. North Carolina would have been the 15th state to legalize medicinal marijuana.

The bill would have provided protection for students by stating that no school

employer may refuse to enroll or employ a person based on medical marijuana use, but would still ban marijuana use in public places in the state, including schools. The UNC school system would have created the Medicinal Cannabis Research Program under the provisions in the bill, which would study the usefulness and safety of medical marijuana, as well as quality control, purity

and labeling standards.

According to the 2009 ECU Police Safety report, over the last three years, the ECU Police Department has arrested 200 people and issued 152 citations for drug law violations.

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Moses Munro recycles a bottle in Jenkins Fine Art Center.

Recycling centers to become required

Cassie McLean
ASSISTANT NEWS EDITOR

On Thursday, the Greenville City Council voted to require recycling centers at every apartment complex across the city. The ordinance was passed unanimously.

Marion Blackburn, City Council member for District 3, said, "I am thrilled that we have

found a workable program to bring multiple family and apartment living into an active recycling program."

According to the Daily Reflector, the city will install over 1,000 96-gallon recycling containers at multi-family complexes.

Earthquake in western China kills 589, injuring thousands

Associated Press

Soldiers and civilians used shovels and their bare hands to dig through collapsed buildings in search of survivors after strong earthquakes struck a mountainous Tibetan region of China on Wednesday, killing at least 589 people and injuring more than 10,000.

The series of quakes flattened buildings across remote western Yushu county and sent survivors, many bleeding from their wounds, flooding into the streets of Jiegu township. State television showed block after devastated block of toppled mud and wood homes. Local officials said 85 percent of the structures had been destroyed.

Residents and troops garrisoned in the town used shovels and their hands to pull survivors and bodies from the rubble much of the day. Several schools collapsed, with the state news agency saying at least 56 students died. Worst hit was the Yushu Vocational School, where Xinhua cited a local education official as saying 22 students died.

Footage on Qinghai Satellite TV showed bodies wrapped in blankets lying on the ground while rescuers pulled shards of concrete from a pancaked school building.

Crews set up emergency generators to restore operations at Yushu's airport, and by late afternoon the first of six flights landed

for hauling rescue workers and equipment. But the road to town was blocked by a landslide, hampering the rescue as temperatures dropped below freezing. Tens of thousands of the town's 70,000 people were without shelter, state media said.

The airport in Xining, the nearest big city some 530 miles (860 kilometers) away, was filled with Chinese troops in camouflage, firefighters and dozens of rescue workers with sniffer dogs. The airport had been closed to civilian flights for several hours Wednesday night to make way for the rescue effort.

"The situation here is difficult. Most of the buildings have collapsed. A lot of people are seriously injured," said Pu Wu, a director of the Jinba Project, which provides health care training for Tibetan communities. "We are scared. We are all camping outside and waiting for more tents to come."

While China's military is well-practiced in responding to disasters, the remote location posed logistical difficulties. The area sits at around 13,000 feet (4,000 meters) and is poor. Most people live in Jiegu, with the remaining — mostly herders — scattered across the broad valleys. The small airport has no refueling supplies, so relief flights were carrying extra jet fuel, reducing their capacity

for hauling supplies, state media reported.

The local quake relief headquarters put the death toll at 589 and the injured at 10,000 by early Thursday morning, according to the Xinhua news agency. Wu Yong, commander of the army garrison, said the deaths "may rise further as lots of houses collapsed." Hospitals were overwhelmed, and rescue teams were slowed by damaged roads, strong winds and frequent aftershocks.

Luo Song, a monk from a monastery in Yushu county, said his sister who worked at an orphanage told him three children were sent to a hospital but the facilities lacked equipment.

"She said the hospitals are facing a lot of difficulty right now because there are no doctors, they have only bandages, they can't give injections, they can't put people on intravenous drips," the monk said by phone while on a visit to the southern Chinese city of Shenzhen. China's rural hospitals typically are not well equipped.

Workers released water from a nearby reservoir whose dam was cracked by the quake, according to the China Earthquake Administration.

President Hu Jintao and Premier Wen Jiabao urged "all-out

BRIEFS

Suspect in UNC student's slaying to be tried in NC

Associated Press

A potential federal death-penalty trial for a man charged with killing a university student body president two years ago will stay in North Carolina.

U.S. District Judge James Beaty has denied a request by attorneys for Demario Atwater to move his trial on kidnapping and carjacking charges out of state.

Defense attorneys say extensive media coverage of the slaying of University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill student body president Eve Carson of Athens, Ga., make it impossible for Atwater to receive a fair trial.

Beaty ruled it is possible to find jurors who haven't made up their minds.

Atwater's federal trial is to begin in about two weeks in Winston-Salem. He also faces murder charges in state court. He could face the death penalty if convicted in either case.

Navy identifies 4 killed in plane crash in Georgia

Associated Press

A Marine combat veteran with three young children, a Virginia Tech aerospace engineering graduate, a retired Navy lieutenant commander and a young Marine died when their Pensacola-based Navy jet crashed this week in north Georgia woods, the military said Wednesday.

Military investigators remained north of Atlanta on Wednesday where the T-39N Sabreliner went down, killing all four aboard in dense forest near Georgia's boundaries with North Carolina and Tennessee. No one on the ground was hurt in Monday's crash though authorities say the plane barely missed a house.

The crash happened during a training mission and the bodies of all four crew members have been recovered, said Navy Lt. Brett Dawson, a spokesman for the Navy's Air Training Command headquarters in Corpus Christi, Texas. He released the identities and said a 25-acre brush fire started by fuel had slowed investigators.

"As I understand it, the fires from the crash had been too hot and they are just now able to approach the wreckage and begin the investigation," Dawson told The Associated Press.

The Navy identified the men on Wednesday as Ret. Navy Lt. Cmdr. Charles McDaniel, 67, of Cantonment; Marine Capt. Jason Paynter, 38, of Pensacola; Marine Lt. Shawn Nice, 26, of Levittown, Penn.; and Navy Ensign Zachary Eckhart, 25, of Orefield, Penn.

Burton Paynter of Moorhead, Minn., said his son joined the Marines at 18 and served multiple tours in Iraq and Afghanistan. The father of three graduated from college and went through flight training while in the Marines.

"He was living his dream. He wanted to fly since he was a young man," the father said. "I've always prepared myself for this day. Every time he left here and went to Iraq I wondered if he would come back."

Eckhart, a Naval flight officer, graduated from Virginia Tech in 2008 with a degree in aerospace

engineering. He was a member of the Virginia Tech Corps of Cadets.

Ret. Air Force Col. Rock Roszak, alumni director for the corps, said Wednesday that the organization was in mourning.

"Many of the cadets knew him and they all feel a bond," he said.

Pensacola Naval Air Station said it would hold a closed-memorial for the men at the base chapel Friday.

Dawson said the wreckage would eventually be hauled back to Pensacola Naval Air Station for further investigation.

In January 2006, a Navy T-39 Sabreliner also based at Pensacola crashed in northwest Georgia woods, killing all four aviators after takeoff from Chattanooga, Tenn. The pilot in the 2006 crash was a 68-year-old retired Navy commander under contract with the Navy for training.

Dawson said Monday that McDaniel also was a contract pilot. The Navy has not said if he was piloting the T-39N when it went down.

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The \$197,000 required to fund the project will be reimbursed through 42-cent charges each month, per unit for two years. After that, the city will require 9 cents per month for maintenance and upkeep.

Wes Anderson, Director of Public Works, said, "It's a plan to get all the multi-family complexes so they all have recycling centers. Now, any of the new ones that get built will be required to build one. The existing ones are not grandfathered in, but are required to install one. We [the city] will install [the recycling centers] for them and put a surcharge on the construction."

As to whether the ordinance applies to student living complexes, Anderson verified they would be affected.

"Anything that is off campus that is serviced by the city. So North Campus Crossing and The Bellamy, those sort of places where it's not under management of the university," he said.

Anderson added, "It's a fairly large commitment. We're planning for two years to build all the recycling centers for complexes presently existing. We'll be collecting a surcharge fee for four years to pay off the loan we're getting. The surcharge now is 42 cents."

Blackburn explained the centers will help with the biggest problem Greenville faces as a community and that societies in general must deal with. "We really need to make recycling a workable, practical option," she said.

Blackburn described the means she had to go to in order to recycle. She explained that for years she had been personally "carrying around bottles or cans if I'm in a place that isn't recycling. I would stick my bottle in my purse or my can or whatever. I would go to that length to recycle personally. I just don't think we can ask that of everybody."

She continued, "When we can develop programs that are workable and practical, and let's face it, if they can be easy, then we can inch up the current recycling rate of 10 percent. And really, that's really unacceptable. But we can inch up closer and closer to one day recycling everything."

Blackburn explained that almost all of what consumers use can be recycled. She explained what she hoped to see one day in the future — a society that recycles almost all products.

"Trash should be very small — like maybe a grocery bag a week — nothing more than that or less. If you're vigilant about recycling, composting your non-animal food stuff, compost newspapers and papers, on top of that, reduce reuse recycle. Just do not bring packaging and excessive waste type things into your life, and then the things you can't use, find a home for. As a last option, recycle. At the end of that chain, there is not much left to throw away."

The Landing, a popular student living community off Charles, was unaware of the new legislation.

Courtney Burlingame, leasing and marketing manager for the Landing, said, "We're for any green efforts. We have a lot of students so we want to help in any way can."

Sam Pope, sophomore psychology major and resident of The Landing, was excited to see the legislation pass.

Pope said, "I think it's a good idea. As many cans as we go through, I've always wondered why they don't have recycling centers around here."

Blackburn restated the harsh reality communities like Greenville cannot ignore: "Things we put in the landfill never go away."

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efforts" to rescue survivors and dispatched a vice-premier to supervise the effort. The government immediately allocated \$30 million (200 million yuan) for relief, and mobilized more than 5,000 soldiers, medical workers and other rescuers, joining 700 troops already on the ground.

With many people forced outside, the provincial government said it was rushing 5,000 tents and 100,000 coats and blankets to the region, where average daily temperatures were around 43 degrees Fahrenheit (6 degrees Celsius).

The initial quake, measured at magnitude-6.9 by the U.S. Geological Survey and 7.1 by the China Earthquake Networks Center, hit Yushu at 7:49 a.m. (7:49 p.m. EDT,

2349 GMT). It was followed by five more tremors within three hours, all but one registering 5.0 or higher.

Residents of Jiegu, known by Tibetans as Gyegu, about 20 miles (30 kilometers) from the epicenter, fled dazed and sobbing as the ground shook, toppling houses, as well as temples, gas stations, electric poles and the top of a Buddhist pagoda in a park, witnesses and state media said.

"Nearly all the houses made of mud and wood collapsed. There was so much dust in the air, we couldn't see anything," said Ren Yu, general manager of Yushu Hotel in Jiegu. "There was a lot of panic. People were crying on the streets. Some of our staff, who were reunited with their parents, were also in tears."

More than 100 guests of the hotel, which was relatively undamaged, were evacuated to open spaces such as public squares, Ren told The Associated Press by phone. After transporting guests to safety, hotel staff helped in rescue efforts in other buildings, Ren said.

"We pulled out 70 people, but some of them died on the way to the hospital," Ren said, adding other survivors were put in tents in the hotel yard while they awaited assistance.

Many of the students boarded at the schools and were preparing to head to class when the quake struck. One rescue worker said he didn't know how many students had died but he had helped recover several bodies.

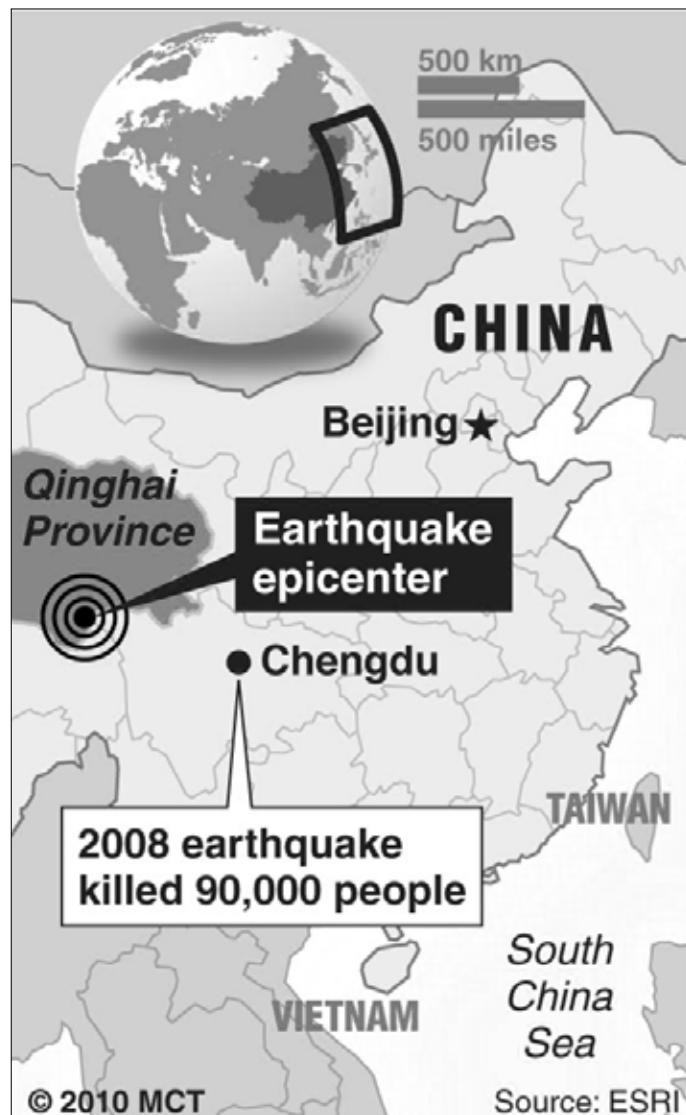
"Students just got up and were yet to go to class when the quake happened. I recovered several bodies from the debris and found they were fully dressed," said Zhu Liang, a government worker who joined the rescue operation.

The destruction of schools is an eerie echo of the massive magnitude-7.9 quake that hit neighboring Sichuan province two years ago, leaving nearly 90,000 people dead or missing. Thousands of students among the dead were killed when their schools collapsed. Poor design, shoddy construction and the lax enforcement of building codes were found to be rampant.

Both Wednesday's quake and the one in Sichuan two years ago occurred along the Longmenshan fault, which runs underneath the mountains that divide the Tibetan plateau to the west and the Sichuan plain below.

Messages of sympathy came from the pope at the Vatican, U.N. Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon, as well as the Dalai Lama, the exiled Tibetan leader revered by the often fervently Buddhist Tibetans and reviled by Chinese leaders, who accuse him of fomenting separatism.

Once a trading hub and a gateway to central Tibet, Yushu and surrounding environs were among the Tibetan areas caught up in the anti-government protests that swept the region in March 2008. Tensions have simmered since, and the region has been closed to foreigners off and on.



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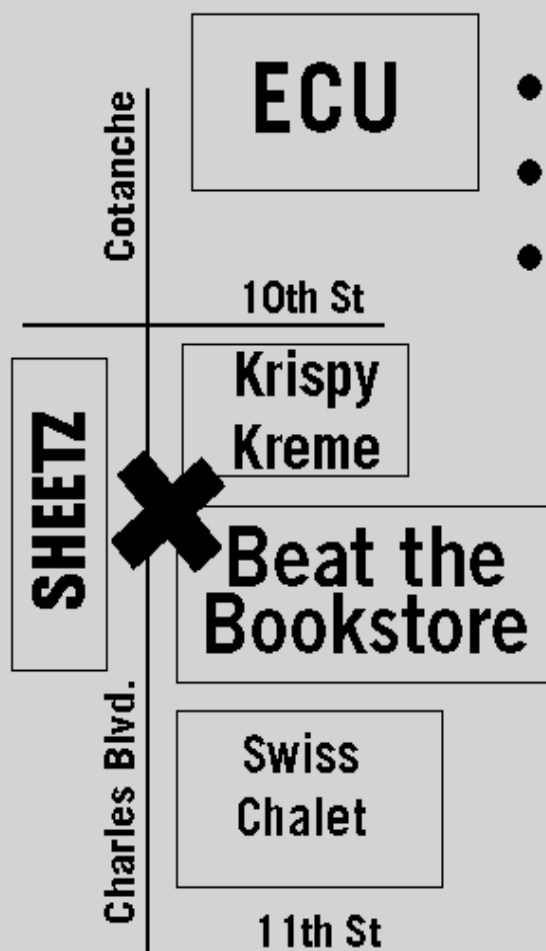
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To the apartments that I live at: STOP being so dirty and loud! I get that I am in college, but some of us ACTUALLY care about our careers and lives and don't want to spend 10 years here! Everyone else... be warned! It's horrible there!

To my boyfriends "friends": Maybe I'm not the reason why he doesn't hang out with you anymore. Maybe it's because you are annoying immature drunks.

If anyone lost their car keys in the SciTech building on Wednesday I turned them in the Chemistry office on the 3rd floor. Hope you find them!

We broke up and you posted ads on Craigslist? Glad I got out when I did.

It's that time of the year where stupid students want to come to the library and think they can save their grade by making their first ever visit to the library (only to get on Facebook). If someone takes my cubicle... I'll pummel their a**!

I didn't know cows could swim until I saw you in that hot tub... let's just say nightmares for a long time.

Singing badly at 2 in the morning in the laundry room is NOT COOL

So over the course of the past month or so I'm 0 for 4, I must have a thing for chicks that are already taken. Girls with boyfriends should have to walk around with "boyfriend" stamped on their forehead so I'll know not to hit on them beforehand.

To my English Professor: Yes, reading the newspaper during your class was appropriate. What the students write here at ECU is a hell of a lot more interesting than anything you ramble on about.

Warm weather = HOT BOYS! Keep those shirts coming off! Ow, ow!!!

Anyone else smell that? It's the smell of the end of the semester...HELLO SUMMERTIME!!!

GLBTSU - I LOVE YOU!!! The Drag Show event was awesome!!!

Dear Roommate: There are three weeks left of school. Clean up your stuff. I'm getting splinters off your rug and I hate sweeping everyday to clean up all your mess. Let's keep this a tidy three weeks. THANKS.

To all of the ECU Pirates currently serving in the Armed Forces: Thank you.

To the kid sitting behind me in the computer lab right now: I can hear your music, and your musical taste sucks. Turn it down!

Dear final weeks of school: I have two words for you - SUCK IT.

Just FYI, when you're a senior and talking about how you drink entire bottles of wine and get stoned every night, it's really not cute. Just so you know.

I know that our company doesn't allow relationships at work...but I want what you want. I won't tell.

To the people who talk all day in a class that doesn't take attendance: Do us all a favor and stay home. I paid for this class; I'd like to hear what the teacher has to say.

Next time why don't you just call me stupid since I know you don't think highly of me.

To the girl who ranted that she looked and no one hit on her, I have two comments. (1) Maybe because you're so stuck on yourself? (2) You couldn't have looked too good if NO ONE looked at you!

It's not the teacher's fault you got caught on Facebook during class. Don't throw a fit. Yes, so was everyone else, but everyone else didn't get caught...Twice.

I know you're arrogant and full of yourself, and I really don't like you, but for some reason I am strangely drawn to you. Thanks a lot, jerk.

To the two girls in my bio class that talked non-stop the whole semester: I hope you fail.

I'm not ready for the semester to be over!!

Watching you feast on the couch and watch TV is probably one of the grossest things I've ever seen. Get some respect for yourself and exercise. It's just pathetic seeing your pudgy fingers shove food into your mouth.

Drunk me wanted nothing more than to wake up next to you, instead I got a cheeseburger, corn dog, and quesadilla. Cook out will always be there, even you aren't.

I hate my job so much. The only thing that keeps me going is the fact I have to buy my own beer and cute shoes. Screw you, minimum wage.

Dear ECU Girls: I have seen more camel toe THIS MORNING than the Sahara Desert has ever seen. Stop. It's disgusting. No wonder guys treat us like a piece of meat!

Dear Roommate: I am sick of hearing that you have "lost 20 lbs" since you have been here, because that is clearly not true! You're still squeezing into the same old jeans. Here is a hint for you, just because you go to the gym don't mean you can eat EVERYTHING you want.

To my Interpreting Literature professor: You have a PhD in English and said "um" 57 times in class on Tuesday. Well done.

Why do you nap during the day and then stay up till 2 doing work? It doesn't bother me; however, it does confuse me especially when you have an 8 a.m. class the next day.

Today's forecast: Sunshine and crime

Emily Winterhalter
OPINION COLUMNIST



Spring is here, and summer couldn't feel any closer. The sun is shining down on us again, flowers are blooming and the grass is quickly regaining its green color. With only less than month left in the semester, our responsibilities seem to fade into the wind, becoming replaced with afternoon pool sessions and highly anticipated beach weekends.

There's just something about the disappearance of cold weather that seems to make everyone a bit happier, whether it's the increased amount of vitamin D we're exposed to or just the atmospheric buzz associated with some good old-fashioned sunshine.

While spring and summer are definitely events to be excited about, it's important not to pack up our cautiousness alongside our Ugg boots and winter coats. If there's one social issue that rises and falls alongside our outside temperatures, it's crime.

There's crime everywhere, but it's beneficial to know where your current area stands so you know what you're up against when living there.

When the weather is feeling symbolically Arctic and there's ice on our cars, there's no way any of us are venturing outside for a significant amount of time. Due to the freezing temperatures keeping many of us holed up in our houses or apartments, there are less people out, not only potentially falling victim to crime, but less people out committing the crimes, too.

When the weather starts to heat up, as it is now, it's natural for people to stay out longer and later, keep the doors and windows open and just be more social in general. Houses are left empty more frequently because many people go on vacation, and women don't feel the need to bundle up in 10 layers of clothing each time they go out. All of these factors contribute toward the unmistakable correlation of

crime and weather. In addition, the weather being hot can also contribute to people's mood swings or likelihood to commit a hostile crime. Makes sense doesn't it?

In Greenville, crime is presently an issue for college students and permanent residents alike. According to CityRating.com, Greenville generally ranks higher in crime categories than the national averages. Compared to all violent crime in general, Greenville has 1.51 times the national average.

Broken down into categories of four different types of violent crime, two of them were higher in Greenville than nationally -- aggravated assault and robbery.

As for property crime, Greenville also ranked higher than the country as a whole, at 1.6 times the national average. Again, two of the four types of property crime were higher in Greenville, with larceny or theft being one group and burglary the second, which, astoundingly, Greenville is nearly 2.4 times the national average in that category.

Crime in Greenville may be familiar to many of you who have had their cars broken into, residences robbed or been assaulted on your way home from downtown. We need to be careful anywhere we go and mindful of what's around us, especially in this warmer weather.

Being a college town, Greenville is already susceptible to high crime rates. While most of us are solely enjoying the change in season and ready to soak up the sun, there are some who are looking forward to summer for different reasons. More opportunity to burglarize, assault and steal with easier access to a higher number of possible victims.

Human beings are tricky by nature, and not everyone can be trusted. Reverting back to the buddy system strategy, which was mandatory for us in grade school, may not be such a bad thing in these upcoming months, even if we are in college now. Since we are older and so much more mature than our elementary days, we can call it something else, like intelligence.

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Friend haven

Leila Falls
OPINION COLUMNIST



One of the biggest struggles for freshmen is making new friends. If your high school clique ends up at the same university, you get to start off with friends, but even then people change. To quote "Never Been Kissed," "There is a big world out there... bigger than prom, bigger than high school, and it won't matter if you were the prom queen, the quarterback of the football team, or the biggest nerd in school. Find out who you

are and try not to be afraid of it." Everyone has to start off as an unknown freshman, lonely and confused.

When you finally make your first friend, you feel comfortable and excited that you made it over the hurdle. You actually have something in common and they even resemble one of your best friends. Then after a month, you have formed your own circle of friends together. After a while, your friend turns out to be not so wonderful. Ditching you at a party, accusing you of stealing their boo, smack-talking behind your back, using you for a ride and even morphing into a completely different person. Then, your mutual circle of friends decides to take the backstabber's side, even if you were



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Media bias worth more than money

Michael Pacheco
OPINION COLUMNIST



When the Supreme Court recently ruled to gut the McCain/Feingold campaign finance reform, the liberals were enraged. They spoke of politicians being bought and sold by corporate interests. But after that ruling, a poll indicated that Americans are more worried about media bias than they are about money in politics.

More than half of Americans think media bias is a bigger problem in politics today than the money that flows into campaigns, according to a recent Rasmussen Reports survey.

55 percent of the 1,000 likely voters polled identified media bias as a larger problem than "big campaign contributions." 32 percent blamed money over the media, while 13 percent were not sure.

Self-identified Republicans were most likely to blame the media, as 68 percent blamed the media rather than campaign cash. Unaffiliated voters also predominantly point their fingers at the media, with 62 percent saying bias is the problem. Democrats, meanwhile, were more fixated on cash, with a plurality — 46 percent — saying

campaign contributions are the problem.

I tend to share this view. Political contributions are protected political speech, I think, and we do ourselves a disservice in limiting it. In fact, the only regulations on campaign contributions, I think, should be so that you can't contribute to a politician unless you can also vote for that politician and every single dime should be reported transparently. No limits on dollar sizes. Just 100 percent transparency and no contributions accepted from people who aren't also constituents.

As for media bias, however, I think that era is slowly coming to an end. Rather than a relatively small number of monolithic media entities acting as gatekeepers to what information the public does and does not get, we're increasingly seeing a distributed media with Americans getting their news from many different sources.

Now, even given that, liberal media bias is still extremely pervasive and it does tend to influence public opinion far more than it should, but things are changing for the better.

On the other hand, pundits in the media posing as journalists have a daily podium to name you the "worst person in the world" or a "pinhead."

I have no doubt that I believe MSNBC is so far out of balance compared to Fox, it's not even

funny, but even for those who feel the opposite, I can't see how one could believe any company has a greater effect on politics than Fox.

Companies are typically much more vanilla in their positions, and they rarely offer them since they have products that can be boycotted and look to last much longer than any one candidate or ideology. They are the original Green party.

Here's a news flash for you all, though, and keep this in mind -- the reason the bias in the news rates so high with Republicans is because it's seen as disingenuous, a lie, and that's why it bothers them. It obviously hasn't swayed anyone and seeing as the Tea Partiers are made up of 40 percent Independents and Democrats, the mainstream media bias has really backfired. So, the mainstream media takes a nose dive in ratings and revenues for their Beloved Leader and all they can do is send what cash they have left to the Democratic Congressional Campaign Committee and carp about the Fairness Doctrine? I keep hearing a KC tune in my head -- "Keep it comin', love..."

Your tsunami is on its way, progressives -- find your favorite rock and crawl back under it. You're going to be there for quite a while.

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the one who was right.

Does high school drama ever end? College is just like high school, in the sense that it is still full of drama. However, at college, people have the ability to change since there is so much diversity and new ideals, which can make the drama even twistier.

Soon after you recover from the drama, you meet a new friend who is not associated with your former disaster circle. You've learned from it and are more cautious about getting close to someone again. Things are great; every day is a blast with your new friend! All of a sudden, they start acting like a psychopath. Going through stuff

in your room when you're not there, pretending that a conversation you had with a knockout happened to them, and even telling people that you guys hung out last night when in reality you were sick at home. Your supposed friend turned out to be like a buzzard, taking away the last bit of energy or life you had.

You may think, "Will I ever have a nice BFF, or am I going to end up falling for traps from Back-Stabbers and Buzzards?" In reality, this vicious cycle of meeting a new friend and realizing that they are not awesome will probably occur a few more times. Do you still hang out with all the friends you met freshman year? If you do, it is a rare and

good thing that you didn't have to weed out the unfit candidates.

Trust me, it is amazing when you befriend someone and you realize, "Oh yes, we will be friends even in our grandma years." What are the signs of a true friend? You'll just know when it happens. After all the sifting, you finally found someone who resembles Sunshine. Is there a friend haven? A safe place to find a BFF, without all the nonsense? Well, when you find that Sunshine person or people, it's like all the Back-Stabbers and Buzzards get pushed in front of a bus.

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"I like to crack the jokes now and again, but it's only because I struggle with math."

TINA FEY



ARIES - Yesterday's social differences will this week be steadily resolved. Silent disapproval is no longer a continuing theme in emotional or romantic triangles. Respond quickly to subtle suggestions or comments. At present, creative group proposals will bring positive results.

TAURUS - Younger friends or relatives may soon request more of your emotional focus. Postponed social events or unique celebrations will this week captivate group attention. Allow outdated ideas or past differences to fade. Loved ones will follow your example.

GEMINI - Previously shy or withdrawn friends will this week discuss deeply personal issues. Declarations of love, private romantic promises or family disruptions may be highlighted. Social demands may prove draining. Remain quietly cautious but do encourage others to find balance with intense emotions.

CANCER - Family activities and daily financial habits may this week require careful planning. Early Tuesday friends or loved ones may mismanage home budgets or reveal controversial expenses. Study timed documents or long-term payments for creative opportunities. New contracts or revised goals may be needed.

LEO - Over the next six days a close friend may return to an outdated love affair or repeat a complex romantic pattern. This week a new attraction may reveal a continuing interest in power based relationships. Encourage friends to resolve yesterday's restrictions or regrets. Valid breakthroughs are possible.

VIRGO - This week a close colleague may offer an explanation or subtle apology for recent comments. Respond with enthusiasm and let social mistakes fade. This is not a good time to openly challenge the behaviors or attitudes of co-workers. Be flexible.

LIBRA - Proposed love affairs may this week create unexpected social complications. If so, expect unusual or inappropriate flirtations to be a strong concern. Set firm boundaries and expect others to respect your wishes.

SCORPIO - Employment or financial negotiations may soon be temporarily delayed. Over the next four days research new solutions for unrealistic contracts. Some Scorpios may this week need to challenge long-trusted employment or business methods. If so, expect no assistance from colleagues.

SAGITTARIUS - For many Sagittarians romantic overtures will be intense over the next few days. Respond with honesty. At present, potential lovers or new friends need to know your boundaries, limits or expectations. Paperwork, signed documents and calculations will prove highly distracting.

CAPRICORN - Social expansion may this week become a continuing theme. Monday through Wednesday expect close relatives or romantic partners to introduce new friendships or unique forms of entertainment. Change is healthy and will likely bring a strong respect for group relations. Remain open.

AQUARIUS - Workplace communications may be difficult to define this week. After Monday poor instructions, misinformation or wrongly calculated numbers will be bothersome. Long-term projects or complex assignments may soon be canceled. Let older officials handle small details.

PISCES - Long-term romance may soon be a top priority. Before mid-week a colleague or friend may introduce new acquaintances, social events or activities. Be receptive. This is a strong time for fresh attractions and clear emotions between potential mates. \

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Is there such thing as 'unwifeable'?

Vivian Stockton
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A few weeks ago, the Charlotte Observer published a column called "Unwifeable," which at the time I found highly offensive. It didn't offend me because it was crude or because it was poorly written, but because once I finished reading the column, I felt like I was being deemed unwifeable.

I thought to myself, "Who has the right to call a woman unwifeable because she smokes cigarettes and likes to be treated like a princess?" I rationalized this by telling myself that there are many married women out there who smoke, have a sense of entitlement and have an obsession with their dogs. I told myself that the men who were polled in order to come up with the list of unwifeable characteristics are expecting a perfect woman and that those men probably weren't very perfect themselves.

However, I found myself reconsidering the validity of this column two days ago after speaking with two of my closest friends about a mutual acquaintance who takes the cake for a hardcore partying female - the words "week-day" and "limits" seem to have been erased from her vocabulary. I found myself making the statement that it is such a shame that no one is likely to want to become involved with a girl like her. She's a beautiful woman: tall, great legs, tan, long brown hair, in shape and when she's sober she is quite enjoyable. Her only drawback is that she won't control her destructive tendencies. No one wants to invest a great deal of emotion in a loose cannon who one minute is experiencing the euphoria of

liquor and the next minute is taken over by the alcohol's dark side and is threatening to beat in someone's face.

The list of unwifeable characteristics collected by Alison Henry, the editor of Carolina Bride and the associate editor of SouthPark, Lake Norman and University City Magazines, consists of smoking, drugs/excessive drinking, jealousy/disproportionate irrationality, excessive vanity/makeup, massively low self-esteem, lack of intelligence, a sense of entitlement, debt, messiness and pet obsession.

Now ladies, if you, like me, find that you possess one or two of these qualities, don't automatically assume all hope is lost and you're going to end up being the old cat lady. My boyfriend is set on staying with me despite my so-called unwifeable characteristics, but that doesn't mean that he will want to deal with it for the rest of his life, so I need to get a handle on it.

I do have to admit, however, that I have recently decided to cut back on the princess attitude and not freak out about silly things that don't have much credence to our relationship. Since it's common knowledge that smoking is addictive, he is a bit understanding with it, but that doesn't mean that he leads me to believe he doesn't expect me to quit. And I would be lying if I said that "Unwifeable" didn't cause me to seriously reconsider how I was acting in my relationship. It would also be a lie to say that since I have cut back on my unwifeable characteristics, my relationship has not improved.

Most, if not all, of the characteristics can be considered deal-breakers in both women and men.

A male friend of mine consistently states that he wants to be in love; however, nearly every Wednesday through Saturday he is sure to be downtown hoping that the alcohol has turned into a love potion. Nearly every Thursday through Sunday, he wakes up in the bed of a different girl. And surprise, surprise - every girl he attempts to have cure his loneliness looks at him as nothing more than a good time, because he never acts as if he cares about anything other than a night or two of fun.

The purpose of this column was not to insinuate that men expect women to be flawless. One of the only guarantees of being a human is that someone will always find a flaw in you. And once I took the time to step off my high horse, appropriately named Perfection, I realized that the columnist wasn't telling me that I am unwifeable. She was warning me that these characteristics are things that people don't want in a life partner, because each characteristic is unhealthy - be it the fact that you are slowly killing yourself, which shows that you don't give a rat's patootie about your health or you are mentally unhealthy or unrealistic.

Point being, no one is going to take a serious interest and invest the time in a person who doesn't want to take an interest in herself. If you want to find someone to love you, you have to love yourself. None of us are perfect, but certain behaviors can be modified. There has to be some sort middle ground or compromise in which both persons' wants and needs are equally considered.

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During your lifetime, you will eat 60,000 pounds of food – the weight of six elephants.

The average American chews 190 sticks of gum, drinks 600 sodas and 800 gallons of water, and eats 135 pounds of sugar and 19 pounds of cereal per year.

The biggest-selling restaurant food is French fries.

The estimated number of M&Ms sold each day in the United States is 200,000,000.

The amount of potato chips Americas eat each year weighs six times more than the Titanic.

A can of SPAM is opened every four seconds.

Americans on average eat 18 acres of pizza every day.

Saturday night is the biggest night of the week for eating pizza.

Dunkin' Donuts serves about 112,500 doughnuts each day.

More popcorn is sold in Dallas than anywhere else in the United States.

2 million different combinations of sandwiches can be created from a Subway menu.

Eating chocolate was once considered a temptation of the devil.

Eleanor Roosevelt ate three chocolate-covered garlic balls every day for most of her adult life.

Less than 3 percent of Nestle's sales are for chocolate.

Five jelly flavors that flopped: celery, coffee, cola, apple and chocolate.

Ice cream was originally made without sugar and eggs.

Seaweed is one of the ingredients in some ice cream.

The most popular ice cream flavor is vanilla.

When honey is swallowed, it enters the blood stream within a period of 20 minutes.

The only food that does not spoil is honey. It is used as a center for golf balls and in antifreeze mixtures.

Pound cake is so called because the original recipe required one pound of butter.

A chili pepper isn't a pepper. In fact, more than 200 kinds of chili peppers aren't peppers.

There are more doughnut shops per capita in Canada than in any other country.

As much as 50 gallons of maple sap are used to make a single gallon of maple sugar.

The top layer of a wedding cake, known as the groom's cake, is usually a fruitcake so it will last until the couple's first anniversary, when they will eat it.

There are more brown M&Ms in plain M&Ms than in peanut M&Ms.

M&Ms stands for the last names of Forrest Mars, Sr., the sweet maker, and his associate, Bruce Murrie. The candy was developed so soldiers could eat sweets without getting their fingers sticky.

In Turkey in the 16th and 17th centuries, anyone caught drinking coffee was put to death.

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U.B.E. gets a new look

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UBE's former Art and Graphics area will soon house ECU apparel and tailgating merchandise. Renovations in the bookstore are set to conclude May 15.

Brad Teague
STAFF WRITER

The University Book Exchange is the off-campus source for textbooks, ECU apparel, gifts and tailgating supplies. However, it is currently undergoing an extensive remodel to improve the store. This remodeling sequence involves several different components, which began February 5th and will continue on to their projected completion date of May 15th.

U.B.E. will be moving its sportswear up one level and taking everything else down one level. They are redoing their

bathrooms to become ADA (American Disabilities Act) compatible and will have two men's bathrooms and two women's bathrooms. The art and graphics department has been renamed the Uptown Art Supply to better fit with the Uptown Art District and will be on the second floor.

The sportswear department has special plans, however. They plan on commemorating the bowl games that the Pirates participated in and have the actual Dowdy-Ficklen field pattern on their carpet, drawn to scale. There will also be big-screen TVs and the Pirate Radio show. There will be more merchandise

to choose from as well, in an effort to improve the store.

The Uptown Art Supply is almost complete and is currently in the second of three stages. There will also be a balcony, which is the third stage. "We'd like for our customers to be very patient with us. We are still in business in every aspect, and sorry for any inconvenience we have caused," says U.B.E. Operations Manager Yvonne Perry.

U.B.E. opened 42 years ago and has only been remodeled twice, the most recent being 15 years ago. It is a family-operated business, started by Isaac Jackson Edwards. However, his son,

Donald J. Edwards, took over in 1974 and is the current owner. His daughter, Claire Edwards, is the manager of the art supplies department, as of one year ago.

Even with the remodeling, the store is still selling merchandise, even going as far as to stuff it in random corners. The store is attempting to finish the majority of the remodeling before April 23rd, which is when textbook buyback crowds begin to pick up.

In addition, U.B.E. is getting ready for Pigskin Pig-Out and is excited for the upcoming Pirate football season. "We're a tradition, and we're making the tradition better," said Perry.

"Everyone is really excited about the remodel."

"I can only hope this will create a better flow of traffic so that it's not as crowded anymore," observes freshman Kelsey Jones.

Hopefully the improvements and additions to U.B.E. will entice the upcoming orientation students and current ECU students and supporters during the upcoming summer and fall. "I'm super pumped to see what they're going to do to U.B.E. this fall," claimed freshman Ann Schafer.

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Two of the AIMO fashion show models showcase clothes from local boutiques last year.

AIMO brings fashion to Greenville

Caitlin Hale
ASSISTANT FEATURES
EDITOR

The hottest of Greenville's fashion trends will come together this Friday at the Greenville Convention Center. The Apparel and Interior Merchandising Organization, more commonly known as AIMO, will be hosting their annual fashion show, which will showcase

designs from not only some of the most popular boutiques in Greenville, but from students in the ECU School of Art and Design's Textile Design program as well. "This is an annual event in the spring, but it's only our third year at the convention center," said AIMO president and senior fashion merchandising major Lithia Scarangelo. "In the past, this event has been really successful. We

usually have approximately 500 people in attendance," she added. Boutiques that are so far set to supply designs for the show include Dulcinea, Pink, Monkees, Charisma and Austen Jade, all of which are located in Greenville. To complete the look created by these popular boutiques as well as those from the ECU

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Students urged to come relieve stress at West End's pool party

Madonna Messana
STAFF WRITER

It's that time again — finals are approaching, the days are getting hotter and it is finally time to break out the swimsuits and sunscreen and head off on some much-needed vacations. But before students begin stressing about exams and packing up to go home, the West End Resident Hall Government Association wants to help celebrate by throwing a West End Block Pool Party for students. On Thursday from 6 to 8 p.m. at the Student Recreation Center's outdoor pool, there will be a pool party and dinner social offered to students. There will be Papa John's Pizza, chips and dip, drinks and other food available for students' enjoyment — along with music and activities.

Students will need their One-Cards to get into the pool area and may enter through the Rec Center or at the pool's back gate. The event is offered mainly to students on west campus but all students are welcome to enjoy the fun. Fletcher, Greene, White and Clement Resident Hall Government Associations are sponsoring the party. The event is an excellent opportunity for students to come hang out by the pool with good friends, food and music. There will also be fun games available for students such as corn hole, volleyball and a limbo. "It's an end-of-the-year bash — stress free," said sophomore Fletcher Resident Hall adviser Stephanie Mical. "Were hoping to get at least 100 people to come!" The pool party bash is an

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Jet's Pizza introduces the unique '8 Corner Pizza' to Greenville

5 out of 5 stars
Ethan Anderson
FEATURES WRITER

About one month ago, Drew Dowd, general manager of Jet's Pizza, opened up his new shop at 420 E. Arlington Boulevard right across from the Greenville Mall.

This isn't a dine-in restaurant, but patrons may feel free to call ahead and order at 252-215-0091. If you don't mind waiting, you can make a walk-in order and the wait shouldn't be more than 10 or 15 minutes.

Jet's Pizza is definitely a one-of-a-kind pizza joint. Suggested to me personally by the manager, the "8 Corner Pizza" is a great first-time selection.

"The '8 Corner Pizza' is good to try out for the first time," Drew said. "Typically everyone fights over who gets the corner pieces. The great thing about this pizza is everyone gets a corner."

This \$14 dish, which had one topping, was more than enough to split between two or three people. For a limited time, they will be running a special that allows you a free order of "Jet's Bread" with the purchase of an "8 Corner

Pizza." The "Jet's Bread" is freshly baked and topped with mozzarella cheese, butter, garlic and Romano cheese.

If you like Pizza Hut's P'zone, one of "Jet's Boats" is sure to completely change your perspective of what a calzone should really taste like. Jet's crushes almost all other pizza places in the sheer quantity of food you receive. This massive mountain of food is sure to fill you up before you even know it. Jam-packed with loads of mozzarella cheese, pizza sauce and your choice of toppings, the "Jet's Boat" is only about \$7.

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If you're looking to just order a regular pizza, be sure to ask about the different styles of crust Jet's has to offer. There are about eight different types of crust, including butter, poppy seed, parmesan, garlic, sesame seed, Cajun, Romano and "Jet's Turbo



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Sophomore Garrett Seidel, a Finance major, works at Jets Pizza in Arlington Village.

Crust." The Turbo Crust includes butter, garlic and Romano.

Jet's Pizza also specializes in a number of freshly baked subs. All subs are 8 inches and served heated. Just to name a few, the chicken parmesan comes with grilled chicken breast, premium

mozzarella cheese and pizza sauce. The pizza sub is served with ham, pepperoni, mushrooms, mozzarella cheese and pizza sauce. Subs come with mild peppers, onions and jalapeños available at your request. For more information about Jet's

Pizza or if you want to get a better idea of what the food looks like, you can visit their Web site at www.jetspizza.com.

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ESA brings Gloriana to Greenville

Staff Reports

ECU students are being provided with an escape from their textbooks during the annual spring reading days before exams begin.

Epsilon Sigma Alpha will hold their 9th Annual Band Aid Benefitting St. Jude Children's Hospital on April 28th, the second reading day of the semester. The headlining band will be Gloriana, an up-and-coming country group that is quickly making their way up the music charts. The group can be heard on local country music stations with their hit "Wild at Heart."

The service sorority has been bringing spring concerts to the ECU community since 1999, but recently has expanded their venue to the Greenville Convention Center as opposed to the downtown scene.

Last year, ESA debuted their first big event with Jason Michael Carroll and Spare Change. The sisters were able to send a check to St. Jude in the amount of \$20,000 and are hoping to beat that number this year.

Sarah Rowe, ESA's philanthropy coordinator, said, "Our goal to raise money increases every year, just like our passion for service and for St. Jude. Raising \$30,000 this year would be a huge accomplishment for our organization."

With the event quickly approaching, tickets are available for immediate purchase. For those interested in purchasing tickets, there are several ways to get them. Every sister is selling tickets and several will be attending Barefoot on the Mall April 22nd promoting the event.

The executive board of ESA encourages students to ask a sister on campus about the event. Rowe said, "The girls will soon be wearing bright orange shirts promoting the event, so if you have any questions, please ask one of us! We would love to see you there."

Tickets are also available for sale at the Greenville Convention Center, by visiting the Web site at www.greenvilleconventioncenter.com or calling 252-321-7671.

The concert will begin at 7 p.m. on April 28th with the opening act and Gloriana will take the stage around 9 p.m. All proceeds

will benefit St. Jude Children's Hospital. The sponsors for the event are Plan It-Greenville, Matthew J. Davenport - Attorney at Law, Graphics Pointe and WRNS.

So before you are buried beneath a pile of books, Layne Reesor, fellow ESA sister and Band Aid chair, said, "It is going to be a

really fun way to end the semester, so take a break from studying and spend your reading day supporting a great cause."

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excellent way for students to unwind and settle down before the pressures of exams hit them. There is only going to be a limited amount of food being offered so students are encouraged to show up early if they plan on eating. Although there is a limitation on food, there is not a limit of guests — the more the better! The West End Resident Hall Government Association has worked extremely hard to put this party together for students to enjoy. The idea to throw the party was initially brought to the table by Fletcher Resi-

dent Hall Government, who then asked the other west end resident halls to assist in making the event happen. "I'm really excited that the Resident Hall Government is throwing this pool party," stated freshman education major Emilee Steen. "It seems like a really good way to spend a night together with everyone we've met this year before we all head home for the summer!"

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AIMO continued from A8

School of Art and Design's Textile Design program, the Alexander Paul Institute of Hair Design and Set. Salon will be in charge of styling all of the models' hair. The models who are set to walk in the show are all ECU students. Some of the models are AIMO members; however, many were chosen from the tryouts the organization recently held to find the best models at ECU to take part in the show.

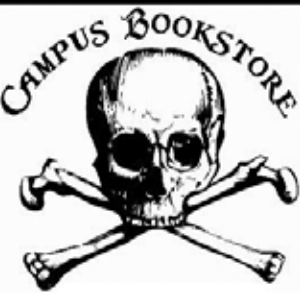
It's easy to see how much work the organization has put into making this event a huge success. "We want to thank our advisers, Dr. Chen and Dr. Parris. They support us and help us out with the fashion a lot," said Scarangelo. While the fashion show begins promptly at 8 p.m., AIMO will be hosting a cocktail hour before the show, which starts at 7 p.m. In addition, there will be an after party following the fashion show at downtown's 5th Street Distillery. Tickets for the fashion show will also cover guest's admittance to both the cocktail hour as well as the after party. Advanced tickets for this year's show will be \$5 for students and \$15 for the general public and \$10 for students and \$20 for the general public if they are purchased at the door. Tickets can be purchased at the boutiques that are participating in the show as well as Wright Place on campus. "This is our biggest fundraiser of

the year, and we use this money to help fund AIMO, especially the trips we try to go on every semester," said Scarangelo. In the past year, AIMO has traveled to both New York and Las Vegas. "When we take these trips, we meet with professionals in the [fashion] industry. We learn professionalism and gain contacts by meeting with them," Scarangelo claimed. "When we went to New York, we met up with various magazines, Jones NY and a few other companies. We met with people who work there and asked about how to get jobs in this industry. When we went to Vegas, we went to apparel market," she added. And while the trips were definitely a lot of fun for the members of AIMO, Scarangelo said they were "a great learning experience because we had a chance to see where we could possibly be working in the future." The group urges the community to come take part in the event. "Everyone always has a great time and I hope this year is no different," said Scarangelo. The fashion show will take place from 8 to 11 p.m. this Friday at the Greenville Convention Center. For more information, contact Lithia Scarangelo by e-mail at LSS0323D1@ecu.edu.


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Staff Reports

Huffman to head football operations

Antonio Huffman has been named director of football operations at East Carolina University according to an announcement from head football coach [Ruffin McNeill](#) Monday. Prior to his appointment at ECU, Huffman served as director of player personnel for two seasons at alma mater Texas Tech where he was the chief liaison officer between the football program and the athletics department's NCAA compliance division. He also held the title of Tech's assistant recruiting coordinator, setting up and executing official and unofficial prospect visits, campus tours and summer camps.

In addition to managing the Red Raiders' eligibility and procedural matters, Huffman also handled housing responsibilities and worked closely with players in academic and community relations activities that prompted the founding of the popular "Huff's Huggables" charity drive. He gained added experience assisting with NFL scouting, team travel and logistical elements of bowl game operations.

"I can say that while Antonio was a stellar player on the field, he far exceeded that level off the field," McNeill said. "He was heavily-courted by corporations and businesses after graduation and we were fortunate that we were able to bring his enthusiasm, organizational skills and meticulous approach back into college football. He's simply a great addition to the Pirate family."

Wright named to Bench Award list

ECU's [Zach Wright](#) has been named to the official watch list for the 2010 Coleman Company-Johnny Bench Award delivered by Papa John's Pizza the Greater Wichita Area Sports Commission announced Monday.

The Bench Award, which is given annually to the nations top division one collegiate catcher, will be updated to include other candidates until May 5, 2010.

Wright has started 16 of his 24 games played behind the plate in 2010 where he leads the team with nine home runs and 35 RBI, while ranking third in batting average (.345). The sophomore, who has also played six games in left field, established a new school-record for grand slams in a single-season in the third inning against Elon on Mar. 30. Prior to that, Wright also hit grand slams against N.C. A&T (3/24) and N.C. Central (3/26) - hitting three in a span of five games (Mar. 24-30).

Ask the Sports Editor

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ECU downs Campbell, looks ahead to UAB series



ECU pitcher Seth Maness covers first base on a toss from infielder John Wooten while Corey Thompson looks on from third base.

Mincey gets win in first start since early March

Michael Perry
ASSISTANT SPORTS EDITOR

ECU topped Campbell 6-3 Tuesday night on the bat of Corey Thompson as the Pirates (21-12) gave a blue-collar effort to tame the Camels (17-17).

Thompson was 2-for-4 with three RBI on the night as he drove in Cam Freeman in the bottom of the fourth to give ECU a 4-1 lead.

The sophomore shortstop added to his night as he sailed the ball to deep right field with bases loaded to bring home two runners, giving the Pirates the final tally of 6-3.

Thompson battled back from 0-for-2 in his first two at-bats to produce his three runs.

"I missed the first ball that he threw to me and I froze up on the second at bat, but the last two were pretty good," Thompson said. "I saw it (the ball) OK tonight."

On the mound, right-hander Brad Mincey (2-1) made his first start since a March 6th tilt with West Virginia. Mincey lasted 5 2/3 innings; he walked just one batter and fanned three, despite giving up nine hits and all three runs.

Mincey worked out of a handful of potential scoring situations as he stranded five

runners.

"It was big, it was just nice to get back out there," Mincey said. "I was a little rusty, getting back out there was big, and especially against Campbell they hit pretty good."

Following Mincey's performance, the bullpen would allow no quarter for the Campbell lineup as Shawn Armstrong, Mike Wright and Seth Simmons combined for three shutdown innings, surrendering just two runs.

Simmons closed out the ninth to pick up his seventh save of the season.

"I thought they were outstanding," ECU head coach Billy Godwin said of his bullpen. "I thought Armstrong came in and had outstanding stuff. Michael Wright came in and did a great job and then I said, 'Holy Cow, Simmons had a three-up-three-down save.'"

Sophomore catcher Zach Wright opened up the scoring as he blasted a two-run homer to right field with two outs. Kyle Roller crossed the plate on Wright's 10th round tripper of the season, connecting on his first of two doubles.

Following Wright's long ball, freshman John Wooten beat out a slow roller to second to keep the inning alive. He was almost immediately picked off by Jeff Rydman during Devin Harris' first plate appearance to end the frame.

Rydman (2-1) suffered his first loss, giving up two runs on

four hits during his short two-inning stint.

In a tremendous display of fielding ability, centerfielder Trent Whitehead was charged with grand larceny as he robbed Alan Denman of a solo homer to the left-center gap in the top of the seventh to keep Campbell at bay. At the plate, Whitehead was 1-for-5 with single.

The Camels' three runs came from a one-run third inning and a two-run sixth. In the third, Chris Bangi crossed the dish on a fumbled flip to Thompson on second.

Later in the sixth, Kevin Nelson lined a double past third base with bases loaded to plate a pair of runners. Despite going down swinging in his two previous at-bats, Nelson's two-run play ended Mincey's tenure on the mound in the top of the sixth.

With the win last night over Campbell, ECU extended its series lead to 53-19.

Looking forward to the weekend, the Pirates will usher in their third conference opponent, as University of Alabama-Birmingham will travel to Greenville for a three-game series.

The Blazers (19-14, 5-4 Conference-USA) will bring a similar style of offensive baseball that ECU saw at Memphis with a less competitive pitching staff. UAB will utilize its speed and play lots of small ball, as they lead C-USA in both bases stolen (54) and sacrifice-bunt

attempts (23).

At the plate, the Blazers also proved to be the most patient hitters in the league as they have forced opposing batters into giving up the most walks (167).

Defensively the Pirates have allowed the fewest number of bases stolen (21) in the conference, while boasting the most home runs (47), a total of 265 runs-batted and a league high team slugging percentage of .539.

On the mound for UAB will most likely be a trio of right-handers as Mitch Kloskowski (3-2), Beau Pender (4-1) and Ryan Wooley are the assumed starters (2-3). Pender leads the entire staff with 39 strikeouts.

Nike Graffeo (2-1) will most likely be seen closing out any close contests this weekend as he has accrued four of the Blazer's seven saves.

UAB will be limited to mostly righties as they have just three southpaw hurlers listed on the roster.

Jamal Austin, John Frost and Luke Stewart appear to be the biggest blips on the radar for the ECU pitching squad to monitor.

Austin sports the team's highest batting average of .351 and has also stolen a team-best 16 bases, while Frost, who is currently batting .348, has collected 40 hits on the season.

Senior first and third basemen Stewart is on the lower end of the batting average scale at .276, but he has stroked 10

homers and snatched a perfect 10-out-of-10 bags on the season.

ECU will employ the usual suspects of Kevin Brandt, Seth Maness and Mike Wright, as Godwin seems content with his current weekend trifecta.

It is still unclear if Mincey will ever return to the weekend starter role, as Godwin likes him as a special situation guy, available for various scenarios.

"We'll just let him keep working," Godwin said of Mincey. "We want to get him back in that role where he's helping us some on the weekend. Our other three guys threw very well in Memphis and our pitching is coming around."

At the dish, the Pirates have received strong efforts from Thompson, Wright and Roller.

Roller has now hit safely in seven consecutive contests while Wright has a team-best 37 RBIs.

ECU will enter the weekend series riding the momentum of a three-game win streak, but Godwin is focused on taking the matchup game-by-game.

"When we start Friday night, we're 0-0 with them (UAB)," Godwin said. "It's good that we're winning, it's a whole lot better than losing, but we've just got to come out and play good baseball against a very fundamentally sound club."

Game times this weekend at Clark-LeClair Stadium are set for 6 p.m. Friday, 5 p.m. Saturday and 10 a.m. Sunday.

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Spring game officially marks new era in ECU football

Jared Jackson
SPORTS EDITOR

Following a coaching change, off-field distractions and the implementation of new offensive and defensive philosophies, it's finally time to play some football.

Saturday's annual Purple-Gold game marks the end of spring practice for new ECU head football coach Ruffin McNeill and his Pirates. The game will also, more importantly, mark the first time that the Pirate Nation will be able to see ECU play under the leadership of McNeill.

"I am excited about Saturday's game," McNeill said. "It will be fun to watch the players run around in front of a crowd. It will be different than past years since we can only utilize one end of the stadium (because of construction), but I'm looking forward to watching the progress that we make this last week of spring ball."

Thus far, the Pirates have held two controlled scrimmages during the course of spring practice with the most recent one coming last Saturday. In the tilt, ECU quarterbacks [Brad](#)

[Wornick](#), Rio Johnson and Josh Jordan combined to complete 41-of-70 passes in throwing for 445 yards and four touchdowns.

Among the wide receiving core, sophomore [Andrew Bodenheimer](#) caught five passes for 90 yards and a score, sophomore Dayon Arrington had seven receptions for 78 yards and star senior Dwayne Harris hauled in five passes for 52 yards and a touchdown. Freshman tight end Justin Jones was the second leading receiver with five receptions for 86 yards.

As for the rushing attack that ECU relied on during former head coach Skip Holtz's tenure, it was nowhere to be found as the newly pass-happy Pirates rushed 23 times for one yard and a score by freshman Alex Owah.

In total, ECU ran 93 controlled plays during the scrimmage for 446 yards.

Offensive coordinator "Lincoln (Riley) has very high expectations for this offense and I am pleased with how it is progressing," McNeill said following Saturday's scrimmage. "I mentioned to him today that when we put this offense in 10 years ago and looking at where

it is today, it has come such a long way and we are far ahead of that pace... The key is now to see how everything plays out in the summer and into fall camp. The execution is definitely there, though."

Defensively, ECU intercepted two passes in efforts by Derek Blacknall and Rahkeem

Morgan. Blacknall, Melvin Patterson and Steve Spence all lead the way with five tackles apiece. Sophomore Kemory Mann, junior Diavalo Simpson, junior Matt Thompson and freshman Jimmy Booth all recorded sacks on the day.

"One thing I was really focused on today (Saturday)

was tempo," McNeill said. "I also asked the guys to really key on fundamentals at each of their positions as well as execution. I want our players to do their own jobs and not worry about

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First-year ECU football head coach Ruffin McNeill instructs his team during a spring practice session.

Pujols, Cardinals among early World Series favorites

OPINION



Addison Harvey
STAFF WRITER

One of the most anticipated days of the athletic calendars is baseball's opening day across the nation from San Francisco to Philadelphia. The start of baseball season means a new chapter will begin in each team's long and treasured history. Will the Phillies earn a spot in another World Series or will a team make a magical run to the big show like the Rays in 2008-2009?

5. San Francisco Giants:

The Giants currently hold the league's best record (6-1) and is off to one of the team's best starts in franchise history. San Francisco's pitching staff is a large reason for their early season success with the pitching duo of Matt Cain and Tim Lincecum along with the re-emergence of veteran left-hander Barry Zito.

Lincecum tallied two wins in his first two starts of the season for the first time in his career while recording a 1.29 ERA. Zito has been the biggest surprise of the 2010 campaign for the Giants as he picked up wins in his first two starts after a disaster start to his Giant career in 2008 and 2009.

The Giants will benefit this year from a relatively weak National League West division as the Dodgers are off to a slow start. Look for the Giants pitching to lead them to an NL West crown and a potentially deep run into October.

4. Minnesota Twins:

The Twins are contenders in the American League every year and this year projects to be no different. Minnesota have revamped this year after their run into the playoffs last season, lead by superstar catcher Joe Mauer,



St. Louis Cardinals' first baseman Albert Pujols recently became the player to hit the most home runs in the first 10 years of his career with 371.

who recently signed a record contract extension with his hometown team.

Mauer won the league's batting title in 2009 recording and he is off to another hot start with a .423 batting average through the first week and a half of the season. The pleasant surprise of the first week of the season is the emergence of closer John Rauch.

After Joe Nathan was lost for the season because of an elbow injury, the Twins' organization was concerned about who would be available to close the door at the end of games and Rauch has stepped up, converting on all five save opportunities of the season.

Aside from transitioning to a new closer, the Twins have made the switch to a new outdoor baseball stadium. The new home of the Twins is Target Field, a state-of-the-art outdoor ballpark.

How the Twins will transition to their new outdoor home, which will reduce crowd noise in big games, will play a large part in how far of a run the Twins can make in the 2010 season, but the Twins are definitely a World Series contender.

3. Philadelphia Phillies:

The Phillies are tied with the Giants for the best record in the league with a (6-1) record. While the Phillies have started off the season with a soft schedule with series against the Nationals and Astros, they have looked impres-

sive offensively and on the mound.

The newly acquired Roy Halladay has been the biggest bright spot in the opening weeks of the season. Halladay, who was acquired from the Toronto Blue Jays in the off season, has notched two victories in his first two starts while recording an unheard-of 0.56 ERA in 16 innings pitched.

The Phillies have appeared in the World Series in each of the last two seasons, winning it in 2008-2009 season. The Phillies retained seven of their position players from their 2009-2010 National League champion team led by Chase Utley, Ryan Howard and Jimmy Rollins.

The Phillies are on the fast track to three-peating as the National League champions and are the odds on favorite to earn a spot in the World Series for a third-straight year.

2. New York Yankees:

The Yankees are the defending World Series champions and they have bolstered their already superstar-filled lineup. Brian Cashman's ability to sign whoever they want continued this off-season as they signed speedy centerfielder Curtis Granderson to patrol centerfield in Yankee Stadium.

Second-year manager Joe

SERIES continued on B3

Brown insists Bobcats gig is his last stop

AP

While Larry Brown isn't sure how much longer he'll be on the bench, the nomadic Hall of Famer insists Charlotte will be his last coaching job.

Responding on Wednesday to continued speculation he could bolt for the Philadelphia 76ers or the Los Angeles Clippers at the end of the season, the 69-year-old Brown said he won't coach for anyone other than Bobcats owner Michael Jordan.

"I can't remember having any more fun as a coach. He's the only guy I'm going to coach for," Brown said. "He brought me here. He gave me a chance."

When asked if he saw himself leaving coaching and becoming a general manager, Brown said it's not something he's thought about.

"You know, Phil Jackson every year talks about maybe stepping down. I'm older than him," Brown said of the 64-year-old Los Angeles Lakers coach. "I love what I'm doing. I love coaching here. I'm excited for this franchise. This is where I want to be."

Jordan hired Brown in 2008 after he spent two years out of the league following one ugly season in New York. In his record ninth NBA head coaching job, Brown has been instrumental in a make-over of Charlotte's roster and guided the 6-year-old Bobcats to their first playoff berth.

But Brown, the only coach to win NBA and NCAA titles, has a history of not staying anywhere long. He's coached 10 pro teams, counting the ABA's Carolina Cougars, and two college teams, not counting a brief stint at Davidson in which he left without coaching a game.

Brown has spent the past two years apart from his wife, Shelly, and their two children, who live in the Philadelphia area. His wife has ties to Los Angeles, too. So with the Clippers currently being led by an interim coach and Eddie Jordan's future with the Sixers uncertain, there have been reports linking Brown to both coaching jobs.

"It came out that my wife wanted to move back to L.A. I answered that. I love coaching here. I love working for Michael," Brown said. "The only indecision

I had was before Michael was the owner. Nobody knew what would happen if we had new ownership."

Jordan, who was a part-owner with the final say on basketball decisions, bought majority control of the Bobcats from Bob Johnson last month. Jordan said then he hoped Brown would remain for the final two years of his contract but said he wouldn't prevent him from leaving for family reasons.

"I view Larry as a friend," Jordan said. "For me to hold a friend to a contract knowing that his spouse or his family scenario supersedes that, that's not who I am."

But Brown was upbeat after shootaround Wednesday before the final regular-season game against the Chicago Bulls. The Bobcats will face the Orlando Magic in the first round of the playoffs starting this weekend.

"Not every year is fun," Brown said, "but the two years I've been here have been great."



Larry Brown argues with NBA official Rodney Mott during a Charlotte Bobcats game earlier this season.

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NCAA calls for sickle cell testing of athletes

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The NCAA legislative council has approved new sickle cell testing rules, addressing a condition that has led to the death of at least 10 college football players.

The new rules approved Tuesday require prospective Division I athletes to either be tested for the trait, show proof they have been tested previously or opt out of the test by signing a written release. The measure still needs to be approved by the NCAA board of directors later this month.

Sickle cell trait is a blood disorder that typically has no symptoms, but under extreme stress it can warp blood cells that attack organs and cause the body to shut down. The National Athletic Training Association and NCAA both have released guidelines for treating athletes with sickle cell trait and insist it should not prevent them from participating in sports.

UCF, Florida and Florida State are among the schools that currently test all athletes for sickle cell trait. A National Athletic

Trainers Association study found 36 percent of NCAA member institutions don't test for the trait.

"I think it's a positive step for the athlete," said Scott Anderson, Oklahoma's head athletic trainer who has helped lead extensive research about the genetic condition. "We really have three pillars that are equally important — knowledge, education and precautions. Knowledge comes from screening, but if it stops there you've really done nothing. You have to educate everyone about the risks associated with the condition and take precautions to protect athletes."

Some in the medical community protested the NCAA rule change. The Big East and Pac-10 conference leaders opposed the testing that will cost about \$5-\$30 per athlete. Some argued it would cause an unfair stigma for athletes with the trait while others stated it would be better to just have all athletes follow the sickle cell trait precautions without going through any testing.

"Screening is not new,"

Anderson said. "... There has been screening on the NCAA level since at least 1974. So a lot of that fear is mitigated by history, I believe. It's not that this is something that has never been done and applied before. It has worked before."

Sickle cell trait has earned more national attention following the death of UCF freshman Ereck Plancher, who collapsed following a workout and died in March 2008. UCF has maintained it did everything possible to save Plancher's life, but his parents have filed a wrongful-death lawsuit against the UCF Athletics Association and UCF Board of Trustees arguing school officials did not treat their son properly.

The new NCAA legislation was triggered by a settlement in another wrongful-death lawsuit filed by the family of Rice football player Dale Lloyd II. The NCAA agreed to recommend schools test athletes for sickle cell trait, but the legislation had to be approved by the legislative council.



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someone else's job. I thought we did a good job today at all of those things."

Come Saturday afternoon at 2 p.m., the new-looking Pirates will be on display for the public to see. Come early, grab a plate of barbecue and support the new coaching staff along with new

faces among the players. The regular season might be viewed by many as what really matters, but if a team is to succeed in the fall, then they must have good spring and summer workouts.

By showing up to the game and supporting the Pirates on Saturday, it will ensure that the

team gets off on the right foot, for the wins and losses are what actually matters.

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SERIES continued from B2

Giradi has his team in line for another run for astounding 28th World Series crown. Second baseman Robinson Cano has been one of the biggest surprises of the 2010 season, leading the team in batting average with a .360 average.

On the mound, the Yankees are loaded once again and have one of the best pitching rotations in baseball. C.C. Sabathia flirted with the first no-hitter of the 2010 season, taking a no-hitter into the eighth inning against divisional rival Tampa Bay Rays on Saturday.

The defending World Series champions lineup of Granderson, Cano, Derek Jeter, Alex Rodriguez and Mark Texeria may be too much for any other team to match offensively in a seven-game series,

making them one of the prohibitive favorites to win the American League once again.

1. St. Louis Cardinals:

The St. Louis Cardinals are off to a hot start (5-2) and have one of the best three and four hitters in the MLB.

First baseman Albert Pujols has one of the deadliest bats in major leagues. The right-handed slugger has already knocked five home runs on the year while recording a .407 batting average. In the 2009-2010 off-season, the Cardinals made one of the smartest front office moves by resigning left fielder and power hitter Matt

Holliday. Holliday is doing a great job of protecting the Cardinals slugger, batting .379 with three home runs in a week and a half.

Along with the Cardinals' two power bats, they have two talented pitchers. Aces Chris Carpenter and Adam Wainwright, who is 2-0 on the year with a 1.20 ERA, are one of the best pitching duos in the majors and they finished second and third in the 2009 Cy Young race, respectively.

The combination of consistent power hitting and talented pitching could lead Tony LaRussa's club to a World Series championship.

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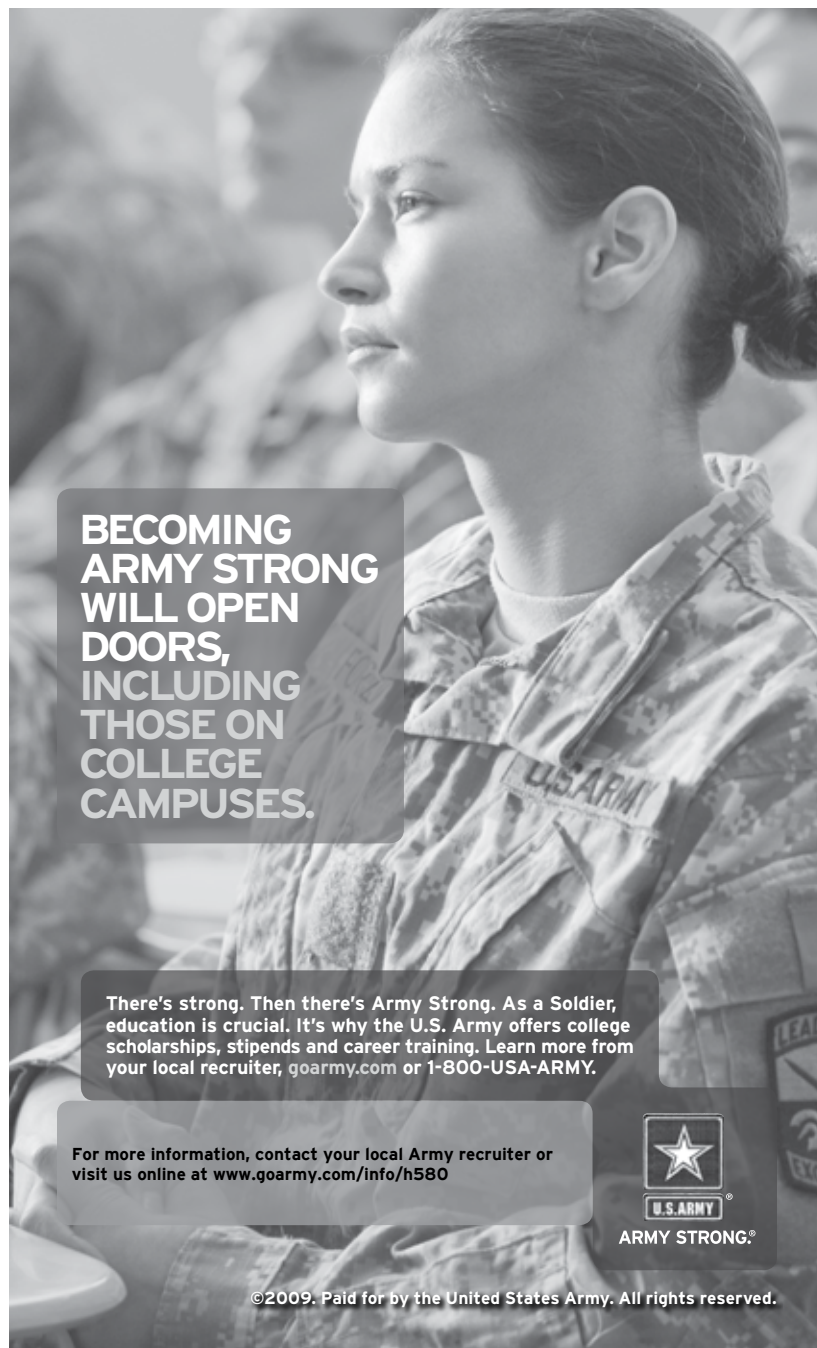


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