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BRIEFS

NC Police recover \$3 million worth of stolen clothing

Associated Press

The Guilford County Sheriff's Office has recovered roughly \$3 million worth of clothing stolen by thieves in a massive warehouse heist.

Sheriff B.J. Barnes said Wednesday that two 53-foot cargo containers were stolen from the J.L. Rothrock Co. outside Greensboro earlier this month.

The containers were packed with more than 1,500 boxes of Ralph Lauren Polo clothing and accessories. One container was recovered Oct. 11, and the second was found on Monday.

The discoveries led to the search of a warehouse in Asheboro, where all but 300 of the boxes were found.

Barnes says investigators are now looking to identify suspects in the case.

Number of unprofitable local ABC boards up in NC

Associated Press

More than twice the number of government-run liquor store operations in North Carolina failed to turn a profit in the past fiscal year compared to the year before.

Statistics presented Wednesday to Gov. Beverly Perdue's state government reform committee showed 24 local boards reported operating losses for the year ending June 30, compared to nine the year before.

State Alcoholic Beverage Commission Chairman Jon Williams told the panel net profits from the more than 400 stores statewide fell 11.3 percent to almost \$51 million. Higher sales and alcohol taxes that began late last year ate into those profits. Overall liquor sales grew 1.4 percent to \$727 million.

The Legislature approved new rules last summer requiring performance standards and streamlined budgeting for local boards.

Historical marker cites racing at NC State Fair

Associated Press

A new highway historical marker is going up at the North Carolina State Fair in tribute to the days when dirt-track racing was one of the major attractions.

Gov. Beverly Perdue and racing great Junior Johnson will attend the unveiling of the marker at the State Fairgrounds on Wednesday in front of the waterfall at Dorton Arena.

The Fairgrounds Speedway opened in 1928 when the State Fair moved to its present location in west Raleigh, helping to boost the popularity of the sport. Johnson led the first NASCAR race at the fairgrounds in 1955 before rain forced postponement.

NASCAR ran its last sanctioned dirt race at the fairgrounds on Sept. 20, 1970. Richard Petty was the winner.

WEB POLL

What Homecoming event are you excited about?

The football game

The parade

The Ludacris concert

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Pirates thrilled for Homecoming concert

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As ECU's 2010 Homecoming swings into full gear, students are becoming more excited for this year's Homecoming concert featuring Ludacris.

As of Tuesday, Oct. 19, 4,043 tickets have been sold, said Allie Collinson, Student Activities Board special events chair.

"I think students will enjoy (the concert) in general. It is a concert, so you're listening to music and seeing the performer," said Collinson. "It's more than him just rapping on stage; it's the atmosphere."

The Homecoming concert will be

tonight in Minges Coliseum. The event begins at 7 p.m., but doors will open at 5:30 p.m. In addition to Ludacris, this year's Homecoming concert will feature special guests Big Sean and Rudy Currence. Untitled, a band under Ludacris's label, will perform 15 minutes prior to the show, as well. This performance will not interfere with the 7 p.m. start time of the concert.

"Rudy Currence is from Ludacris's label and they suggested him (when we booked Ludacris)," said Collinson. "And Big Sean was someone in our price range and in the same genre."

Ludacris is an Atlanta based rapper who signed with Def Jam Records in 2000. Since

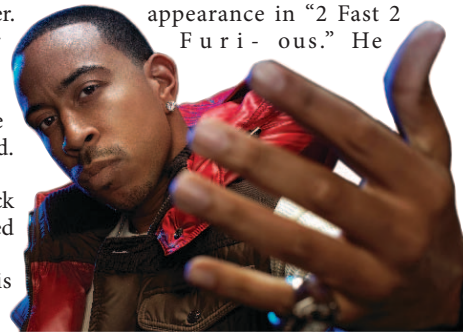
then, several of his songs have reached the Billboard Hot 100. Throughout his career, he has been a featured guest with artists such as Missy Elliot, Chingy and Usher.

"I went to see Ludacris at Summer Jam (this past summer)," said Reyanna Torrence, sophomore speech pathology major. "He is really good and he keeps the crowd's attention," she said. "He's a good entertainer."

He released his first album, "Back for the First Time," in 2000. It reached 3X platinum.

Expanding his talents, Ludacris

has also landed roles in several movies. Ludacris first caught the public's eye as an actor in 2003 with his first film appearance in "2 Fast 2 Furious." He



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Zipcar zooms onto campus

David Chaney
FOR THE EAST CAROLINIAN

ECU has a new program that will give students a new drive for college life.

Zipcar is a national program that began in 2000 in Massachusetts to help businesses but soon became essential to colleges and universities. The program helps to save students money and continue to promote the "go green" campaign by using energy efficient vehicles.

Deb Garfi, the director for Zipcar at ECU, said, "Car sharing is a part of transportation demand management program that is utilized to try to reduce single occupancy vehicles, provide transportation to those who do not have a car, help the environment, and lessen our carbon footprint. It can also save money versus owning a vehicle."



LUKE RAYSON | THE EAST CAROLINIAN

This Toyota Prius is one of two cars available to students signed up for the Zipcar service.

The reason why the Toyota Prius and Scion are popular is because these cars are energy efficient and hybrid.

Another great thing about Zipcar is that there are only four steps to using the service. First, you join online as a member. Then, reserve the car you would like to use. After making a reservation, you will receive a Zipcard.

Hold the Zipcard to the windshield and the doors unlock automatically and you can drive off.

Garfi stated that the service can be a great help to the community because it reduces the amount of cars on campus.

"With vehicles on campus available, we hope that some

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ECU chose gas efficient vehicles for their Zipcars to lessen the university's carbon footprint.

ECU pairs up with Zimride

Abbey Way
STAFF WRITER

The ECU Parking and Transportation Services recently launched a new site called Zimride, which is available to all ECU students, staff and faculty.

Zimride is the leading provider of online social rideshare and carpool matching systems in North America. It is partnered with over 50 universities across the country.

"Knowing that ECU would like to reduce single-occupancy vehicles, help the environment and provide new opportunities for commuting, the parking department thought it was a good fit," said the director of Parking Services, Deb Garfi.

The website is a free service that matches people going to the same place at the same time. Users can post that they need a ride, or that they are willing to share the empty seats in their vehicle with classmates or colleagues.

Signing up for ECU Zimride takes only a few simple steps, and users can be matched up with carpooling partners within minutes. The first step is to register for an account at <http://zimride.ecu.edu>

using an ECU e-mail address.

Then the user can add a ride and begin to browse for matches and contact other ECU Zimriders with similar commutes. Users can also connect their Zimride accounts with Facebook, which allows users to use the same profile picture. Also, while other Zimriders are considering sharing a ride, they can browse for mutual friends.

According to Zimride Regional Account Manager Curtis Rogers, Zimride is a safe network. "It's normal for people to feel hesitant at first, but after learning that it is a private system, people are quick to try it out," Rogers said. Rogers also said that Zimride can do more than save users money.

"We get lots of great stories of people saving money, meeting friends and even falling in love with people they met through Zimride's ridesharing service," he said.

Bill Jackson, the Facility Access Coordinator for Campus Living, said he signed up so he could offer a ride to someone who lives nearby and who might not have a car. "I like that it provides a structured place for people who

might not necessarily know each other to link up and carpool, and possibly become friends in the process," Jackson said. "Plus it helps cut down on the number of cars in traffic."

Tim Wiseman, the assistant vice chancellor for Enterprise Risk Management, joined Zimride because he has had successful experiences with similar ridesharing programs in the past.

"I like the high-tech online way of enrolling and determining route matches," Wiseman said. "I think Zimride has great potential to help reduce traffic, reduce demand for parking spaces, save gas and reduce vehicle exhaust/emissions which will help the environment."

Because the website was newly launched in September, it does not have many members yet, but Rogers is hoping to see an increase in members soon.

"Thanksgiving will be a huge opportunity for people to find rides on ECU Zimride," Rogers said. "I hope we're able to recruit a lot of new users before the holiday."

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University releases public apology for game disruption

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During the ECU vs NC State game, fans in the student section of Dowdy-Ficklen stadium yelled obscene chants during the start of the National Anthem. Late Tuesday evening, the Pirate Beacon released a public apology on the incident on behalf of the SGA President Tremayne B. Smith, Head Football Coach Ruffin McNeill, Director of Athletics Terry Holland, and Chancellor Steve Ballard.

"I think that first of all it is disrespectful for our country, the men and women who defend it and our home stadium and fans and the reputation of ECU," said Smith. "Those few individuals who did that cast a shadow over all of us and that is not who we are, it was embarrassing and I did not like it at all."

The Pirate Beacon states, "On behalf of the ECU Student Body and all the members of the Pirate Nation, we would like to publicly apologize to every man, woman, and child who heard the unfortunate chant from the ECU student section on Saturday."

There were also several reports of students being extremely intoxicated, underage drinking, both of which resulted in expulsion from the game itself. Rude behavior was seen before, during, and after the game from both ECU and NC State fans.

According to Holland, "The largest percentage of our students are terrific and support the team in a constructive manner but the very small number of bad apples who spit on, cursed and in some cases, confronted individuals who just happened to be wearing Wolfpack colors, embarrassed every single one of us who cares about ECU and those few bad apples are limiting the university's ability to attract students in the future."

Behavior such as this is not tolerated on the campus of ECU and students are being asked to take a step and speak up about this issue. Students should also welcome all fans to an ECU event to show pride in their school and their alma mater.

"We need to be more cautious so we do not embarrass our school," said senior recreational therapy major Amy Lancaster. "I know we have a huge rival with State so our fans will always go crazy when they are in town so I don't think that should end; but the fact that it happened during the national anthem was disrespectful and there are always a lot of kids and parents so the vulgarity is

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Study results indicate studying abroad leads to increased drinking

Jamie Harper
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A new study conducted by researchers at the University of Washington found students who study abroad while in college are likely to double their alcohol intake while they're away.

The study, which was published in Psychology of Addictive Behaviors, only examined drinking habits of students who went abroad from the University of Washington. The study was based on 177 students from the University of Washington who studied abroad. These students answered a questionnaire before they went away, and again when they returned from traveling. Eric Pederse, University of Washington graduate student, said he would expect to get similar results at other universities.

Students reported that they believe they may drink more if they think that their fellow travelers are likely to drink more heavily, or if the students plan to make drinking part of their cultural experience.

Craig McLellon, a senior construction management major, traveled to the Netherlands in the summer of 2010. McLellon said, "People drink a lot more there, pretty much every day. And there are a lot more bars and pubs."

The study found that drinking increased the most in Europe, Australia and New Zealand, where the drinking age is at least 18 years. Students who traveled to other countries where drinking is not a prominent part of the culture decreased their alcohol intake. Results showed that the students who had increased their drinking while away returned to an average of three to five alcoholic drinks per week when they came home.

Students who were not yet the legal drinking age of 21 in the United States increased their drinking by 170 percent while abroad. Overall, student drinking increased by an average of 105 percent while abroad.

McLellon said, "I probably drank a little more. I think it's because I had the feeling I was on vacation."

Although the percent increases were high, the results did

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not necessary.”
The apology was sent out to all students and individuals who bought football tickets this year. It was also posted onto the athletic website and caught the attention of the Daily Reflector.

“There is no way that anyone can think that harassing other people is ‘just having fun’ or that using profanity in front of a national television audience is acceptable behavior,” said Holland.

The Homecoming game against Marshall will give Pirate fans another opportunity to show respect to anyone visiting the campus. Students are being encouraged to show anyone, regardless of who they are rooting for, to show

mutual respect for everyone. ECU Police and the Greenville Police Department will be on hand to help control any unruly fans who are exhibiting public intoxication, disrespectful behavior, and violence.

“While analyzing the situation we realized there would be some unruly behavior. I do want to say that our administration has taken all the right steps to address it and aside for the public apology, I personally sent an apology to a fan and showed her what a true pirate football fan is all about and invited her as my guest to a game and told her to wear her state colors,” said Smith.

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Pirate fans got rowdy in Dowdy stadium at the NC State game and chanted offensive sayings during the national anthem.

Founding Fathers’ historical papers to be accessible online

Associated Press

History buffs will soon be able to explore the private thoughts and official writings of George Washington, Thomas Jefferson and other Founding Fathers in a public, online clearinghouse of their letters, journals and other documents.

The University of Virginia Press is putting the published papers of Washington, Jefferson, John Adams, James Madison, Alexander Hamilton and Benjamin Franklin on a National Archives website that is expected to be accessible to the public in 2012.

When complete, the website will allow users to read, browse and search the text of tens of thousands of documents from the period.

“There’s great interest in the founding era now, more than there has been for the last 30 years,” said Penny Kaiserlian, director of the Charlottesville, Va.-based publisher. “People want to go back to what the founders said, rather than what

people say they said. This will give people the ability to check out quotations and get documents, and in general, get a picture of the daily life of the founders.”

Offering the texts online and free of charge helps takes the Founding Fathers’ correspondence out of the scholarly realm and move it into the hands of the public, including history teachers and students, said Edward Lengel, editor-in-chief of the Papers of George Washington, at the University of Virginia.

The National Historical Publications and Records Commission, part of the National Archives, will provide up to \$2 million for the project.

The archive will give people direct access to primary sources that tell the stories of the men in the context of the times during which they lived and helped shape. Some of the collections also include documents from their childhood and retirement years, giving fuller glimpses into their lives.

Among the Founding Fathers’ documents is Washington’s letter in April 1777 to Elizabeth Mallam Neil, widow of a captain killed at the Revolutionary War’s Battle of Princeton. At the time, Washington was commander in chief of the Continental Army and the Continental Congress hadn’t yet enacted any measures to compensate the families of soldiers killed in the line of duty.

Washington closes his letter: “In the meantime, as I sincerely feel for your distress, I beg your acceptance of the Inclosed as a small testimony of my inclination to serve you upon any future occasion.” His final notation: “Fifty Dollars sent.”

“But he was not just a hero who strutted about performing great deeds,” Lengel said of Washington. “He was a human who had his foibles, and could be jealous, angry and even crude at times. But he was a man who, despite all his flaws, walked the road to greatness.”

The papers also serve as a

reflection of American society at the time, Lengel said.

“You had thousands of people from all walks of life — slaves, workmen, pioneers and politicians — showing up” in documented interactions with the first president.

James Madison is primarily known as a principal architect of the Constitution’s Bill of Rights. But records and correspondence from his service as Jefferson’s secretary of state, and later as the nation’s fourth president, will offer the public a more thorough picture of his accomplishments, said J.C.A. Stagg, editor-in-chief of the Papers of James Madison.

“He did a lot of significant things after he finished the Bill of Rights,” Stagg said. “It was not downhill after that. The picture enshrined in the popular imagination is very misleading.”

The U.Va. Press already has published volumes of print edi-

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student will leave their vehicles at home if they only need occasional access to a vehicle. Also Zipcar is available at universities across the country and in many major cities in the United States. After graduating, students can find Zipcars or move into a metropolitan area where it can be very expensive to own a vehicle,” said Garfi.

Students also feel that the service is a great way to help the environment and save money at the same time.

Sarah-Kathleen Roop, a sophomore at ECU, gave her opinion about the service and its signifi-

cance to the university.

“I think it is really awesome. It will open up a lot of doors for people,” said Roop. “It will allow people (students) to become more involved around Greenville.”

Roop stated that the program is significant because a university is using money to give 18-year-old students a car to drive.

The service is only \$35 a year and includes gas and insurance with the fee. For more information, go to www.zipcar.com/ecu.

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 5:00pm-8:00pm
 Five Points Plaza
 Fifth and Evans Street

Saturday, October 23
Float Contest
 Float Drop-Off, 7:00am-8:15am
 Judging, 8:30am-9:30am
 Wahl Coats Elementary
 2200 East Fifth Street
Parade
 5th Street
 10:00am
FOOTBALL GAME
 Versus Marshall
 Dowdy-Ficklen Stadium 4:15pm

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tions of the founders' papers, and a number of the documents appear online on its subscription-only digital site, Rotunda. U.Va. archivists will use the online documents as the framework for the National Archives' searchable database. The original documents are housed at the Library of Congress.

When complete, the website will include the complete contents of 242 printed volumes, including all of the existing document transcriptions and editors' explanatory

notes.

A prototype website that includes the print editions of the papers of Washington, Adams, Jefferson and Madison is expected to be ready in about a year. A full, publicly accessible version that includes volumes from the Papers of Alexander Hamilton is expected to go live by June 2012, and by the following year, the collection is expected to include published volumes of the Papers of Benjamin Franklin.

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not necessarily indicate there was alcohol abuse or binge drinking. "The beer is thicker there and is about 12 percent alcohol," added McLellan. This is double the average alcohol content in an average American beer.

ECU Education Abroad Adviser Christopher Brown said, "I think it is an issue in general. I think students may drink more when abroad because they are in an unfamiliar environment or because

they are not used to the cultural norms and expectations."

On average, European visitors consume 10 drinks a week. These 10 drinks could be consumed at meals on a daily basis over a week's span, rather than all in one night.

ECU currently has 40 to 50 students per semester who participate in the study abroad program.

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continued his acting and landed roles in "Crash," "Hustle and Flow" and "Fred Clause."

Furthering his career, Ludacris continued to start his own label at Def Jam Records, Disturbing tha Pease (aka DTP), which has included artists such as Bobby Valentino, Fled Mob, Lil Scrappy, Playaz Circle and Shareefa.

Ludacris was chosen to perform at this year's Homecoming concert by SAB with the help of the student body last spring.

"Ludacris was chosen because we had the student body vote on the genre they wanted to see at the

concert. The hip-hop/rap category won, and from there we looked at how much money we could spend, who's on tour at the dates and who's popular amongst college campuses," said Collinson. "And for Ludacris, the timing was right, the pricing was right, everything was right — so we put in an offer."

Tickets for the Ludacris concert are not yet sold out. They will remain on sale up until his 9 p.m. performance. As of 9 a.m. on Wednesday, 4,160 tickets were sold.

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Would it be considered hazing if we made our football opponents enter the field by walking a plank? It sure would be fun.

I love East Carolina Pedicabs and everyone who works for them! Such nice guys.

You think you are kissing up to your boss/professor for an internship but instead you are looking like an idiot! Yes this rant is about you Nutrition major!

To the girl at the game on Saturday who pulled her pants down and straight up peed in front of everyone...thank you so much for showing State how classy we are!

You're making me sick of my own music taste. Thanks for overplaying the CDs I made for you in our room all semester. Please mix it up a little, roomie!

RUFF game Wolfpack?

I applaud people who smoke and bike at the same time. You've managed to improve your health and decrease your life expectancy at the same time. BRAVO!

When you stand on bleachers during a game, you stand on the seat you've been sitting on!!! Not the one that's in front of you!!! You'd think that would be self-explanatory.

Dear roommate: just because I brought the vacuum cleaner does NOT mean I should be the one to vacuum up YOUR hair EVERY DAY. Sucks that my hair stays in my hair brush and you're the one shedding but I'm tired of having to step on your hair on MY SIDE and I'm tired of cleaning up after you. This is my room, too. Suck up your laziness, and suck up your disgusting hair. You know where the vacuum is, so use it.

To the girl who pirate ranted about #98...back off he's mine!

Stop acting like you actually care about other people's problems. The only reason you "do favors" for people is so that you can b**** about it later. Your love for your own voice is so ridiculous, it's not even funny.

Excuse me while I kiss the sky... GO PIRATES!!!!!!

I thought I was in college, so why are there at least one or two annoying teachers pets in all my classes?

To the girls who get all dressed up for the games: #1 it's a FOOTBALL GAME, #2 it is obvious that you are single and desperate.

I wish I could rant about everything that bothers me! But I'd have to have my own newspaper!!!

Why are there so many State fans at ECU?? If you like State so much why don't you go there.

To the girls giggling non-stop on the 2nd floor of Joyner right now, I wish I could yell at you to stop but I lost my voice on Saturday. GO PIRATES!

To all you people who sit at Dowdy and act like you're doing work: who are you fooling?! STOP being such a creeper!

To the guy who took my name off the attendance sheet and added me on Facebook: you are beautiful, talk to me?

OPINION

Vehicle to success



Jamey Womack
OPINION COLUMNIST

There are difficult jobs in this world: miners, soldiers and doctors. But for many reasons, it seems as if being an educator is one of the most trying.

Sure, it's not war, they are not put into life-threatening situations and, for the most part, teachers don't fear showing up for work every day. But the same rewards that coincide with saving a life or protecting your country, I imagine, would be the same for a professor providing a student with knowledge that will follow them into the future.

Do we, as students, value the importance of our educators? For the most part, no. In fact, it's usually the opposite. We are constantly stripping away our professors' worth and their ability to do their job. Why? I'm not exactly sure. It could be the fact that we feel that the professors hold our future in their hands and that they are constantly

judging, grading and evaluating every aspect of us when it comes to education.

But if we step back a moment, we should take into consideration that not only do professors have a say in whether a student succeeds or fails, but also students have the same responsibilities when it comes to evaluating the professors.

In May of 1999, ratemyprofessor.com was created as a way for students to critique their educators. I'm guilty of, prior to registering for classes, looking up professors on this website. With a few clicks of a button, I can know everything I need to about any professor at ECU -- teaching habits, grading difficulties, even attendance policies. It's a convenient way to know what you will be expecting with a certain course or teacher.

I think most college students are guilty of basing our decision on a professor with their rating on this website, which means if we see a bad review, we go with a different professor. That is a prime example of the students judging the teachers. I'm sure more than one professor has heard a student say that the reason they enrolled in their class was because everyone on ratemyprofessor.com said that he or she was a good teacher.

Along with this website, the end of the year surveys on

OneStop serve as a way for students to evaluate the teaching methods of their professors. More than once, I've been told that the officials, as well as the professors, do in fact read these surveys and makes decisions based upon them. Which means that if every student in a classroom gives a professor negative comments on these surveys, it could inevitably effect whether or not the teacher remains at the university.

A lot of college professors, at the beginning of their careers, start on a contract basis. Everything that they do up until their evaluation will affect whether or not the professors will be asked back to teach. The students do not directly have an effect on whether the officials decided to renew their contract, but I am sure the comments made within the surveys have some impact.

But the point being, the professors are earning their keep. For the most part, each and every one is doing everything in their power to teach the students properly, and as a result keep their jobs. For example, Carrie Carman-Jewers is a foreign language professor at ECU. She is teaching on a semester-to-semester basis and has been at ECU for nine semesters. I am sure that the reason she continues to be asked back is because of the simple fact that she is



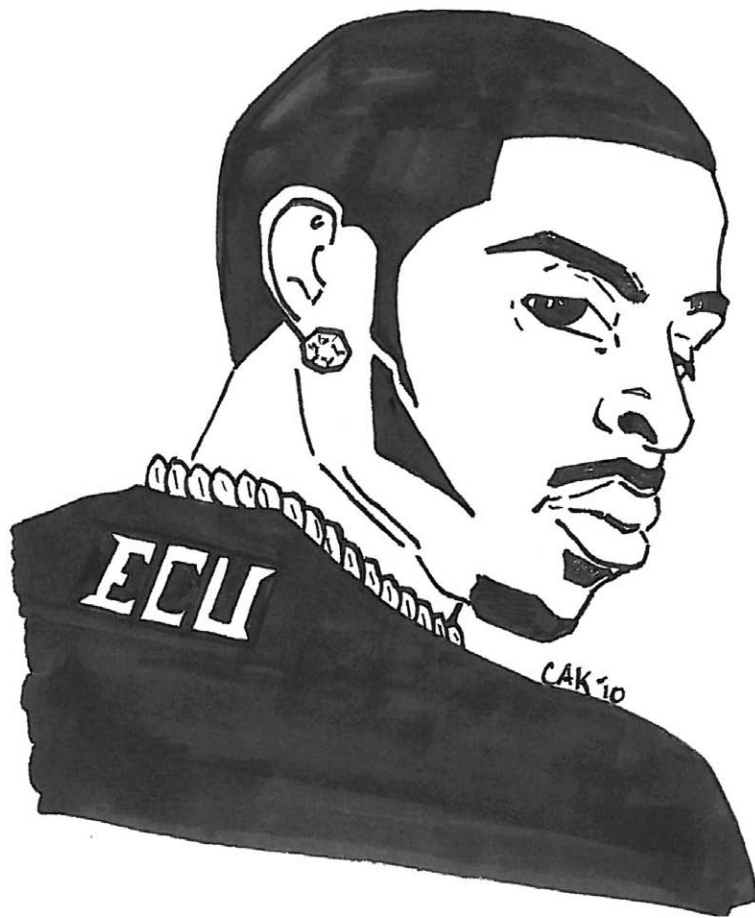
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an amazing teacher and her students love her. I doubt that there has ever been a negative comment on one of her surveys, which means that the students who are judging these professors are being heard and we are having an effect.

Students and professors

are, in a weird way, teams that equally evaluate each other. And with the same sensitivity as I'm sure most teachers grade us, we should rightfully give credit to the professors at ECU who are preparing us for the future.

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“Ludacris goin in on the verse cause I never been defeated and I won't stop now”

-- “All I Do Is Win” by DJ Khaled featuring Ludacris, Rick Ross, T-Pain, and Snoop Dogg

Homecoming : A weekend of pride



Ryan Chandler
OPINION COLUMNIST

ECU Homecoming 2010 Rock'n in the Purple and Gold is a time for Pirates of the past, present and future to get together and enjoy an adventure into the deep and vibrant culture of Pirate Nation.

Ever since the early 1930s, we have supported our alma mater by celebrating the time-honored tradition of Homecoming. Different themes have been combined with Homecoming throughout years past. This time around, Pirates get to enjoy an array of

music and musicianship while celebrating in their purple and gold to show off ECU pride.

Two weeks worth of activities have been planned by the Student Homecoming Committee for ECU supporters to partake in. The mission is to get the energy rattled up and build excitement for this special time of year, but when talking to many students around ECU it seems as if the true sense of Homecoming is lost. The concern is more on the partying that takes place rather than the traditions of being around fellow Pirates and enjoying the laughs and memories of college.

The events held during the week don't seem to help, though. They should cater to the whole student body and also give the incentive for students to come out and participate. Many seem unaware of what is going on or have little interest. If the events were on a larger

scale and the spirit around campus was livened up a little bit, maybe we could restore the luster of Homecoming.

There may not be much interest in events planned for Homecoming, but we as Pirates live for Saturdays with a home football game. The parade is the momentum-builder for the football game, which caps off all of our festivities.

We as Pirates know how to do it big, and when it comes to football and showing pride, no one else does it better. This weekend is a chance for students, professors and alumni to see ECU represented in full effect. When Saturday comes around and the parade and game take place, the true magic happens.

Pirate families from all over migrate to the graveyard of the Atlantic to immerse their children and loved ones in the passion and spirit of our university.

The Homecoming parade has been around since 1941, which was led by football coach John Christenbury when the football team celebrated its only undefeated season. Almost seven decades later, we are still at it. The ECU dance team is a constant figure in the parade, riding atop a fire truck down Fifth Street.

Senior ladies Brienne Camp, Lauren Moss and Rebecca Thomas were asked to reflect on memories they have of the parade from recent years and what they enjoy most about Homecoming. “We love participating in the Homecoming parade and showing school spirit in a unique way. All the different organizations at ECU get the opportunity to come together for one morning to show off school pride and celebrate being a Pirate. Even though this is our last year participating in the Homecoming parade as a part of the dance team,

we are excited to return as alumni and take part in all the Homecoming festivities in years to come.”

This is an event that all should attend and represent for the purple and gold of our ECU nation. We need to show all those who visit what we are all about, and that we have the deepest fan base on the east for our size.

This is an opportunity to plant the seed of a “Pirate's life” in young kids' minds in hopes that they will one day join the Pirate lifestyle. I encourage all to get out and join the fun on Saturday.

The floats are amazing and the atmosphere should be full of purple haze.

Afterwards, we can all pack Dowdy-Ficklen and root our team to victory as they try and take another step toward becoming three-time Conference USA champions.

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Today's birthday (10/21/10). Wisdom arrives this year on the wings of intelligent flights of idealism. Use your values this year in charitable activities. You'd be surprised at the connections you can make that have positive career and social impacts. Apply conscious intention to all areas of your work.

Aries (March 21-April 19) -- Today is an 8 -- An older individual, possibly a grandparent, makes you aware of circumstances from the past that answer a lot of questions. This gives new perspective.

Taurus (April 20-May 20) -- Today is a 5 -- Wherever you find yourself today, accept a service role. Others depend on your logical recommendations. You serve yourself this way, too.

Gemini (May 21-June 21) -- Today is a 6 -- Unless plans arise to spend time with someone special, stick close to home and get to bed early. Still, a magical night is worth yawns the next day.

Cancer (June 22-July 22) -- Today is a 9 -- This is no time to keep secrets. Share information as well as logic. Then others understand your motives and will support what you're up to.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22) -- Today is a 6 -- One-sided thinking creates extra stress for you and your favorite people. Review the facts to discover a previously unexplored option. Try it out.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) -- Today is a 7 -- Balance your checkbook before spending any money. This is no time to be frivolous. Your energy's better spent considering your next step.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) -- Today is a 7 -- Your favorite person wants to take an entirely new direction. You'd prefer sticking to the familiar path. Either way, a map is helpful.

Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) -- Today is a 7 -- Apply your best effort to get more work accomplished now. An older person has a definite idea of what's needed. It's up to you to make it happen.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) -- Today is a 6 -- From your perspective, an older group member causes extra trouble. If you need results now, discuss it in person for best resolution.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) -- Today is an 8 -- Repairs create a drain on your bank account. Resist the desire to redesign things and just fix what's necessary. You'll be glad you did.

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) -- Today is a 6 -- Spend part of the day on a creative writing project. Do some Internet research to gather information to flesh out a plot or character.

Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20) -- Today is a 6 -- An older person makes you aware of your own creative potential. Consider their suggestions in private. Adjust the idea to fit your personality.

Scribbles to the Captain

A bittersweet victory

Katelyn Crouse
EDITOR IN CHIEF

Saturday our beloved Pirates overtook the Wolfpack in one of the most exciting football games in all my four years at ECU. Being from Virginia, my feelings toward N.C. State may not run as deep as a North Carolina fan, but needless to say, I still bleed purple and gold as well as any other Pirate around! However, the victory over the Wolfpack seems to have come at a cost for ECU after reading numerous e-mails from fans, students and alumni from both ECU and N.C. State. As always, I am eager to read your comments and publish as many as possible in the "Letters to the Captain" portion in the Opinion section, but this was getting to be too much.

As a student at the game on Saturday, I was appalled by the behavior of a fellow Pirate towards an older N.C. State fan in the Student Pirate Club section. This

particular student was harassing the State fan after almost every first down or advance play for the Pirates. And I'm not just talking about a "you suck" comment; I'm talking about throwing cuss words around at this older gentleman. Luckily, the N.C. State fan composed himself and didn't cause a fourth fight during halftime with the seemingly intoxicated and annoying Pirate fan.

But I could not help but think: What if this was my dad being talked to like this? Would he have been as calm as the N.C. State fan? I think not.

As it turns out, this one particular fan was not the only problem at the game this weekend. A public apology was released Tuesday night from Tremayne Smith (SGA president), Ruffin McNeill (head football coach), Terry Holland (director of athletics) and Steve Ballard (ECU chancellor) to all students, faculty and those who

purchased tickets to any game this season. The apology addressed the students who chanted during the national anthem as well as the poor behavior by fans on Saturday.

The letter states, "There were still scattered reports of less-visible examples of poor behavior on Saturday. History tells us that anytime we attempt to belittle other human beings simply because they are wearing the colors of their school, we only diminish our own humanity and insure our own eventual defeat."

The public apology and the numerous e-mails I have received all highlight the issues of this past weekend. I wanted to thank each and every one of you for the letters. Although TEC cannot print each letter, we will be posting as many as we can on our website. Your stories are important and are not lost on TEC, so please keep writing.

Dear Editor and NC State Families,

I am an East Carolina University alumnus and returning student. I attended the epic game on Saturday, Oct. 16, with many of you. While I was proud of my team for beating such a respectable school, I am appalled at my fellow students. I know that nothing I say can make up for the embarrassment and humiliation some of you had to endure in the stands, but I would like to apologize on behalf of my classmates. There is no excuse for a minimum of three fights breaking out in a four-hour period at a university function. There is no excuse for people throwing trash at visitors. There is no excuse for performing lewd acts on possessions that represented you (one drunken idiot tried to give NC State syphilis by sticking an NC State flag down his pants, rubbing vigorously, and then pulling it out for all to see, smell, etc). I hope most of my East Carolina family will agree with me when I say thank you for visiting our fine campus, thank you for allowing us to be your hosts, and next time we meet again I hope we can act a little more respectable and welcome you with more positive attitudes and actions.

Sincerely,
Caroline Knauss, ECU alumnus

Dear Editor,

Let me be clear and to the point. The Dowdy-Ficklen experience should always show respect during the national anthem and never foul-mouthed chants. I was embarrassed for those few who exhibited such boorish behavior at the ECU-NCSU game. It takes years to build a reputation and only a moment to do it harm. Don't cheapen my degree by providing those who always want to denigrate our university with free ammunition.

W. Richard Cobb, CFP 68'

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Pirate Rants continued :

To the girl I was dancing with in the McDonald's drive thru line on Saturday night: We should make it a routine.

To the girl in my FINA class at 11: Please brush your teeth extensively before class Thursday. I threw up in my mouth just a little bit today, seriously though.

I hate when I ask people why they like a certain team and they give me excuses like: they like their colors, or that they have some distant relatives living in that area. Oh really, it's not the fact that the team won the championship last year...bandwagoners.

I saw a girl downtown on the stage of Still Life lifting up her dress and acting a fool....then I realized that girl was my roommate. Classy!

My roommate tried to decorate our wall and accidentally wrote, "You can't spell Party without Pirates". Anyone looking for a new roommate?!

If Ludacris brings Justin Bieber with him, I am 100% willing to get arrested just to hop on stage and touch him... watch out security!!!

To the psychotic b**** who had a MELTDOWN on her research partner in Joyner: watching you shout and stomp out of the room was really entertaining. Same time next Tuesday?

To the short blond at West end dining hall the other night: yeah I'm a guy and I will kiss my boyfriend in public. Your ugly stares and comments are not needed. Thanks.

To the person ranting about people complaining about almost perfect grades: that attitude will make you my secretary one day. Sincerely, Your future boss.

I'm a little embarrassed to be a Pirate after the stupidity of a few students yelling "[insert bad word here] state" during our NATIONAL ANTHEM... get some class Pirate Nation.

Just because we have many classes together does not mean I want to help you with your homework everyday. A.K.A. you copying my work because I actually do it. Get a life.

No one cares that you make a 5-course meal every night. I'm perfectly fine with my pizza...

The utility bill may go down if your boyfriend moves out of our apartment and back into his own. Just a suggestion.

Shouldn't it be a requirement for a professor to be proficient in Power-Point?

Dear ECU, the Rec Center & the library are the 2 most visited places on campus. Why can't we have more parking and access to those facilities?

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1941: The first Homecoming parade took place on March 18, 1941.

Led by football coach John Christenbury, the football team celebrated its only undefeated season when it beat Bergen College 13-7.

1946: Dr. Leon Meadows, president of the college, suspended Homecoming during World War II; therefore, no Homecoming celebration took place between 1941-1946. The first Homecoming since 1941 was celebrated on May 4 of this year. This Homecoming was called the Veterans Homecoming and May Day and honored all of the veterans and honored all of the veterans who fought in the war.

1947: Homecoming moved to fall and the Homecoming Parade became a beloved Homecoming tradition.

1950: On Oct. 14 of this year, the towering paper mache pirate Captain Teco, a symbol of ECU's school spirit, first appeared in the parade.

1953: Kitty Geringer Brinson from Draper, N.C., was crowned ECU's first Homecoming Queen.

1957: The 50th anniversary of the school was celebrated during Homecoming on Oct. 12 of this year.

Pi Omega Pi and FLBLA designed a float for the Homecoming parade that looked like an anniversary cake for the university's 50th anniversary celebration.

1958: The first mascot at ECU, Buc, a Great Dane, was introduced.

1959: The Homecoming game this year appeared on WNCT and it was ECU's first televised athletic event.

1961: This weekend, ECU allowed the first "Rock and Roll" concert on campus.

Also, this year at Homecoming recognized the centennial observance of the Civil War.

1964: During this weekend, for the first time, the queen was crowned during halftime, not the night before.

Also, 21 of the 35 members of the undefeated football team from 1941, the Christenbury team, returned to be honored at halftime.

1976: Jeri Barnes, the first African American Homecoming Queen, was crowned.

1983: This was the year the Pee Dee the Pirate became the university's official mascot. Elementary school students chose Pee Dee's name in a contest.

1997: ECU became a member of Conference USA.

1998: The theme for 1998 was "Purple Pride Through the Years....Retro '70s, '80s & '90s."

2007: This year, ECU celebrated its 100th anniversary.

Also this year, the tradition of raising Jolly Roger and No Quarter flags was created. Now, the Jolly Roger flag is raised before kickoff, and the No Quarter flag is raised at the beginning of the fourth quarter.

2008: For the first time ever, ECU's football team won the C-USA Championship let by coach Skip Holtz.

2009: ECU was the first team to win back-to-back C-USA titles when it beat the University of Houston this year.

2010: End zone expansion in Dowdy-Ficklen Stadium was completed.

This timeline was found at www.ecu.edu/cs-admin/mktg/homecoming_2010_history.cfm



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The iPhone 4 is one of this year's new phones.

New smartphones offer incredible new features

Jack Powell
FOR THE EAST CAROLINIAN

Never has buying a new phone been such an indecisive process as it is today. The new generation of cell phones excels in style, quality and capability. Apple, HTC, Droid and Blackberry are neck and neck in competition with making the best phone on the market.

Apple has outdone itself this year with the iPhone 4. The iPhone 4 has brought imagination to reality with their new feature "Facetime," which is video calling that allows owners to chat with another compatible iPhone user via camera, which is basically the same

as using the webcam on the computer. The new iPhone 4 has two cameras, one in the front and one in the back. The camera in the front allows the user to see oneself while talking to another user on their iPhone 4, or new iPod Touch with Wi-Fi. "Facetime," with a combination of the favorite MP3 player, makes the new iPhone 4 stiff competition against the rest. Emily Myrick, an ECU sophomore business major, speaks on her iPhone 4, saying, "It's awesome and it's a great use of technology. Facetime is cool but you can only use it on Wi-Fi and would be better if it can chat with more phones than just another iPhone." Currently, the new iPhone 4 leads in sales over the rest, selling over 1.7 million in just the first three

days of release, and numbers continue to soar. The 16GB starts at \$199.

Another company with a new release is HTC with the EVO. The EVO comes with an 8 megapixel camera in the back, a 1.3 megapixel camera in the front for video chat, a 4.3 inch screen, a stand to position the phone to see videos comfortably and a HDMI-out port. This means that EVO is top quality for watching handheld media with little disappointment and eye tension. The HDMI port allows users to connect their phone to their HDTV and watch recordings from their micro-SD card or YouTube and photos in slideshow

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Homecoming Court introduces *ECU Purple and Gold Royalty*

A look at the men and women representing ECU on the 2010 Homecoming Court

Lynsey Horn
STAFF WRITER

This week is Homecoming week at ECU and the campus is alive with activities such as competitions, a Ludacris concert and, of course, the Homecoming Queen and King competition.

This tradition has been around for countless years, yet it is always an exciting surprise and an honor for those crowned. Originally, there were 31 students nominated to run for Homecoming Court. Students voted and 10 students were selected for the court. Those 10 students were announced as the court at the Homecoming Cannonball event last week, and they were interviewed on Tuesday by a panel made up of ECU staff, faculty and wives of athletic administration.

The candidates' scores from this interview are combined with points awarded for GPA, university and community service, and leadership on campus and in student organizations. The candidates with the highest score will be announced as the Homecoming King and Queen at Saturday's football game against Marshall.

The nominees for Homecoming King and Queen are:

Shoneice Sconyers is the representative for the ECU Ambassadors on the 2010 Homecoming Court. She is a senior and is the community service chairperson for the ambassadors. She was nominated and voted on by her fellow ambassadors to be the representative. "Oh my goodness! I felt, I still feel like all my dreams are coming true," she said about being voted onto the court. "I go to sleep smiling every night, knowing that people like me that much."

Representing the Student Government Association is senior **Josh Martinkovic**, who is the student body vice president.



The 2010 Homecoming Court poses for a picture after Cannonball.

Martinkovic has been on the SGA for three years, and this year he wanted to put his name in the running for Homecoming King. He is also the president of Theta Chi fraternity, and as Homecoming King nominee, he says he is trying to represent his organizations as best he can.

"It's an overwhelming feeling of being ecstatic and humbling. It's so humbling, knowing that so many people elected you to represent ECU," he said.

Allen Wooten is the representative for and president of Sigma Phi Epsilon fraternity and one of only two people to be voted onto the court who is a member and representative of a Greek organization. "I'm pretty proud," said Wooten. "It's a lot of responsibility to represent the (Greek) community." Sigma Phi Epsilon has not had a representative to run for Homecoming King for several years. This year, Wooten was unofficially nominated by his brothers to take on that responsibility. "I'm pretty pumped," said Wooten of being selected for the court.

Also representing Sigma Phi Epsilon on the queen side of the court is **Ashlee Perkinson**. She said she has always had a lot of guy friends, and she believes in what their organization stands for. "She is involved in a lot of other organizations and we knew she could represent us well," said Wooten.

Perkinson has been a Pirate from day one. She even came home from the hospital all decked out in ECU garb, and her father has always told her he would love to see her on the court. Perkinson says she is proud to represent Sigma Phi Epsilon and to walk across the football field for her father to see.

Also representing a Greek organization is **Aaron-John Malicdem**, nominee for Alpha Phi Alpha fraternity. Malicdem's name was called last when the court was announced, and he says he was racked with nerves while waiting for his name to be called. "I was dreading the moment they didn't call my name," said Malicdem. He is confident that he has a good

chance at becoming king but he doesn't want to jinx himself.

This year, for the first time, the service sorority Epsilon Sigma Alpha is represented in the Homecoming Court. Social chair **Leslie LaVictoire** says she is very excited and a little nervous. "Since ESA hasn't had a nominee before, it's an honor to represent these girls," said LaVictoire.

Allie Collinson is the person responsible for bringing Ludacris to ECU and planning the traditional Barefoot on the Mall. She is also responsible for representing the Student Activities Board on the 2010 Homecoming Court. "I am so excited to be a part of such a monumental experience," said Collinson. "I am proud to represent an organization that I put so much time into."

Also representing the Student Activities Board is their president, **Jonathan Butler**. "It's exhilarating! I can't believe it," said Butler sarcastically. This is Butler's second year of being on the Homecoming Court. He changed his tone and

said honestly, "I feel honored to be among the top five males to be selected." Butler is also a member of Kappa Alpha Psi fraternity, the Media Board and the Chancellor's Round Table.

Reagan Houston was selected by her organization's executive board to be the representative for the Black Student Union. She is also the secretary of the BSU. Houston says she is grateful to the BSU for supporting her 100 percent. "I didn't think I had a chance," said Houston. "I love to represent my organization."

Finally, Healthy P.I.R.A.T.E.S. voted for their treasurer, **Jason Ross**, to be their Homecoming King nominee. "I felt privileged to have the opportunity to represent both ECU and the Healthy P.I.R.A.T.E.S.," said Ross. Ross is also involved in the Engineering Honors Society, Phi Eta Sigma Honors Society and ECU Intramurals.

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ECU's Water-ski and Wakeboard Club members, Austin Barfield, Max Fischetti, Sarah Tart, Scott Zeigler, and Kent Truslow, relax after their tournament.

Katey Warren
STAFF WRITER

Although Greenville is not exactly a coastal town, members of the ECU Water-ski and Wakeboard Club have continued to find ways to practice, boost membership and even compete in their first two tournaments this year.

Earlier this month, five members of the club traveled to the second of these two tournaments for the National Collegiate Water-ski Association's Easter Regional in Jasper, Ga., while earlier in the semester, on Sept. 18, some of the club's

members competed in their first tournament at Rodger's Farm Lake for the Clemson University Team Trials.

Competing as a team in these collegiate-level competitions this semester makes the club members thrilled to see that they are reaching goals they set for themselves when the club was initially founded by two ECU students, Jackie Cross and Maryellen Cain, in the fall semester of 2008.

"I'm excited we started doing more tournaments," said Max Fischetti, junior and co-president of the club. After seeing advertisements for the club posted throughout campus

when it first began, Fischetti decided to join and has enjoyed being a part of the club's expansion. "I went to the first meetings because I wanted to get out there and meet some more people," Fischetti said. "And (wakeboarding) is a fun recreational activity."

About twice a month during their on-season, which is August through early November and again in early April through the remainder of the semester, members of the club travel to Coble Water-ski and Wakeboard Camp in Lillington, N.C., to practice. Though the site is an hour and a half drive from Greenville, the members know

Watersports Club meets new goals

ECU's Water-ski and Wakeboard Club participate in numerous tournaments around the state.

it's worth their time, especially considering Coble is the world's largest water-ski and wakeboard camp. The site includes five different lakes, each providing different courses and jump ramps, from which the club's water-skiers and wakeboarders can choose to practice in.

In addition to attending practices at Coble, the club members also attend monthly meetings to discuss upcoming events, brainstorm ways to expand membership and share ideas about how the club should raise money. The club's executive board, which includes co-presidents Cross and Fischetti, co-vice presidents Cain and Morgan Davis, treasurer Sarah Tart and secretary Kent Truslow, organize these meetings.

In recent meetings, the ECU Water-ski and Wakeboard Club has discussed plans for hosting future fundraising events. Money received from these fundraisers, in addition to the money provided by the university, will allow the club to travel to, sign up for and compete in several more competitions.

Though the members of the club are excited about the progressions the club has made since its start two years ago, they are still in the process of building and expanding, and they have several more goals to work toward this year. "We want to go to more tournaments, and getting to nationals would be

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format. This phone is on sale now for the price of \$199.

In competition with these phones is the Droid X, which is a smartphone copyrighted by Lucasfilm that got its name from the Droid Robots in "Star Wars." The Droid X has an 8 megapixel camera with HD recording capability, the HDMI-out port, a 4.3 inch screen, 8GB internal memory, a 16GB micro-SD pre-installed and dual microphone noise reduction. It is very similar to the EVO (both their software is the Android 2.1) but offers its own unique characteristics. Dustin Smith, an ECU sophomore mathematics major, is a Droid owner. When asked about his Droid, Smith said, "It does whatever you want it

to do. Yes, there are new phones I could choose from, but if I had to choose again, I'd buy the Droid all over again." The Droid X is available for purchase starting at \$199.

Finally, the notoriously popular Blackberry has a new renovation. This year, Blackberry combined a touch screen with the keyboard in the new Blackberry Torch. Blackberry has been the phone to buy for businesses and a popular phone with college students everywhere. Businesses have always felt safe with Blackberry because their phones offer data encryption and remote IT security control (such as passwords and clearing data easily if needed). College students enjoy Blackberry for Blackberry Messenger, which

allows users to instant message with another Blackberry user faster than a text message. With the 3.2-inch touch screen and full keyboard, Blackberry Messenger and five and a half hours of talk time, there's plenty of reason to love the new Torch. The Blackberry Torch is selling at \$199.

The smartphone is the best choice for buying a phone this year. Between the EVO, Droid, iPhone and Torch, those in search of a new phone have their hands full when choosing. So save up your money for the next time your phone's contract runs out and buy yourself one of these incredible smartphones.

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the ultimate goal," Fischetti said. "Also, we want to get more people involved."


Fischetti also emphasized that any students are welcome to join the club, no matter what their water-skiing or wakeboarding skill level. "You don't have to be

an all-star to come out," Fischetti said. "We have all levels of riders, from beginners to advanced."

If students are interested in joining or would like more information, they should join the ECU Water-ski and Wakeboard Club's group on Facebook to receive mes-


sages concerning upcoming meetings, practices and events. Also, students may e-mail co-president Jackie Cross at crossj08@students.ecu.edu for further questions.

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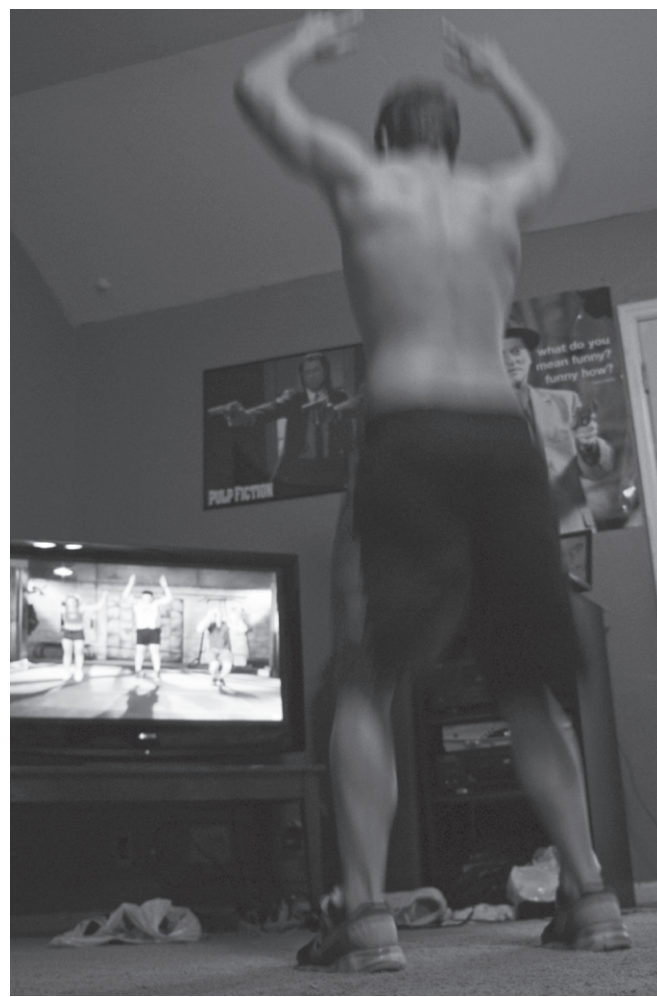
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Seasoned P90X participant, Jordan Clark, begins his vigorous workout by warming up.

Skip the gym, work out from home instead

Madonna Messana
STAFF WRITER

Getting into shape and achieving the ideal body can be difficult for students who do not have time to commit to a regular gym schedule. In today's tech-savvy generation, students have the opportunity to get fit in the comfort of their own homes, with one of the many fitness DVDs available.

Although students at ECU have access to a state of the art recreational facility, it can still be difficult to find time to make it to the gym for a regular workout.

"The gym is often very crowded and full of obnoxious big-headed guys," said Ryan Dugger, freshman computer science major. "With the (workout) videos, I can get a great workout at home where no one is waiting for weights or to use certain machines."

Dugger used the workout video P90X, a very popular video that seems to be very intensive. "P90X is very challenging, and you never adapt to the workout," Dugger said. He also explained that he stuck to the workout videos because he was confident that it would give him great results.

According to their website,

P90X is guaranteed to get users' bodies from "regular to ripped in just 90 days." The video is aimed toward losing excess body fat while toning and conditioning. The program uses repetitive workouts that work the body harder each time.

"The way the program is set up makes your body not used to doing the same thing over and over again," said Dugger.

Reviewers gave P90X 4.5 out of five stars, according to their website.

In another workout DVD, Shaun T's 60-day workout Insanity, many participants will be pushed past their limits to transform their bodies. Insanity consists of 10 workout discs that are packed with drills and nonstop cardio intervals of strength resistance and power. The program also comes with a meal plan with meals that gives participants the strength to complete the videos without sacrificing taste.

Insanity is just that: insane. The 60-day program effectively takes participants to another level of workout video. The interval training is like no other. With long intervals of pure cardio and shorter videos of less intensive stretching, Insanity is "one of the hardest workout videos ever put on DVD," according to the Beachbody.com website. Shaun T. leads the videos with positive reinforcing feedback, pushing viewers past their comfort zone.

Reviewers gave Insanity 4.8 out of five stars, according to their website.

Another set of videos led by Shaun T. is the Hip Hop Abs workout series. These DVDs are a fun and effective alternative to the old-school method of floor crunches. In Hip Hop Abs, Shaun T. is less of a drill sergeant. Participants are able to work along with the upbeat music in the videos and dance their way to a tight core.

Reviewers gave Hip Hop Abs 4.62 out of five stars, according to their website.

Each workout video is different, offering different techniques aimed toward achieving a better body. Each set of DVDs varies in price, and although they all can be a bit pricey, most offer a money-back guarantee if participants are not satisfied.

All of these particular workout DVDs can be purchased and reviewed on Beachbody.com.

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Keys to the game

For ECU:

Get off to a fast start:

Against NCSU the Pirates got off to a 21-point first-quarter lead, which allowed enough of a cushion to withstand the Pack's comeback. Putting Marshall down early will destroy that team's will.

Hold on to the ball:

The easiest way to lose to a team you are better than is to turn the ball over. ECU must fix its fumbling problems and not give Marshall short fields to work with.

Continue improved defensive play:

The Pirates' defense has been a force in the past two games bending but not breaking while fixing their third-down woes. The Pirates need that to continue against one of the worst offenses in the country.

For Marshall:

Force turnovers:

When the Pirates' offense has struggled this season, it has been because of turnovers. If Marshall can get some cheap shot at points, that could make a big difference.

Control the clock:

Marshall has one of the worst rushing attacks in the country, but if they can win the time of possession battle and keep ECU's offense off the field, that can give them a chance.

Be sound on special teams:

Any team that is an underdog can make up ground on special teams. Making ECU start inside their own 20 makes it difficult for any offense to score a touchdown.

Men's Basketball completes first practice

The ECU men's basketball team wrapped up its first week of practice Wednesday and first-year coach Jeff Lebo has been very pleased with his team's early season progression.

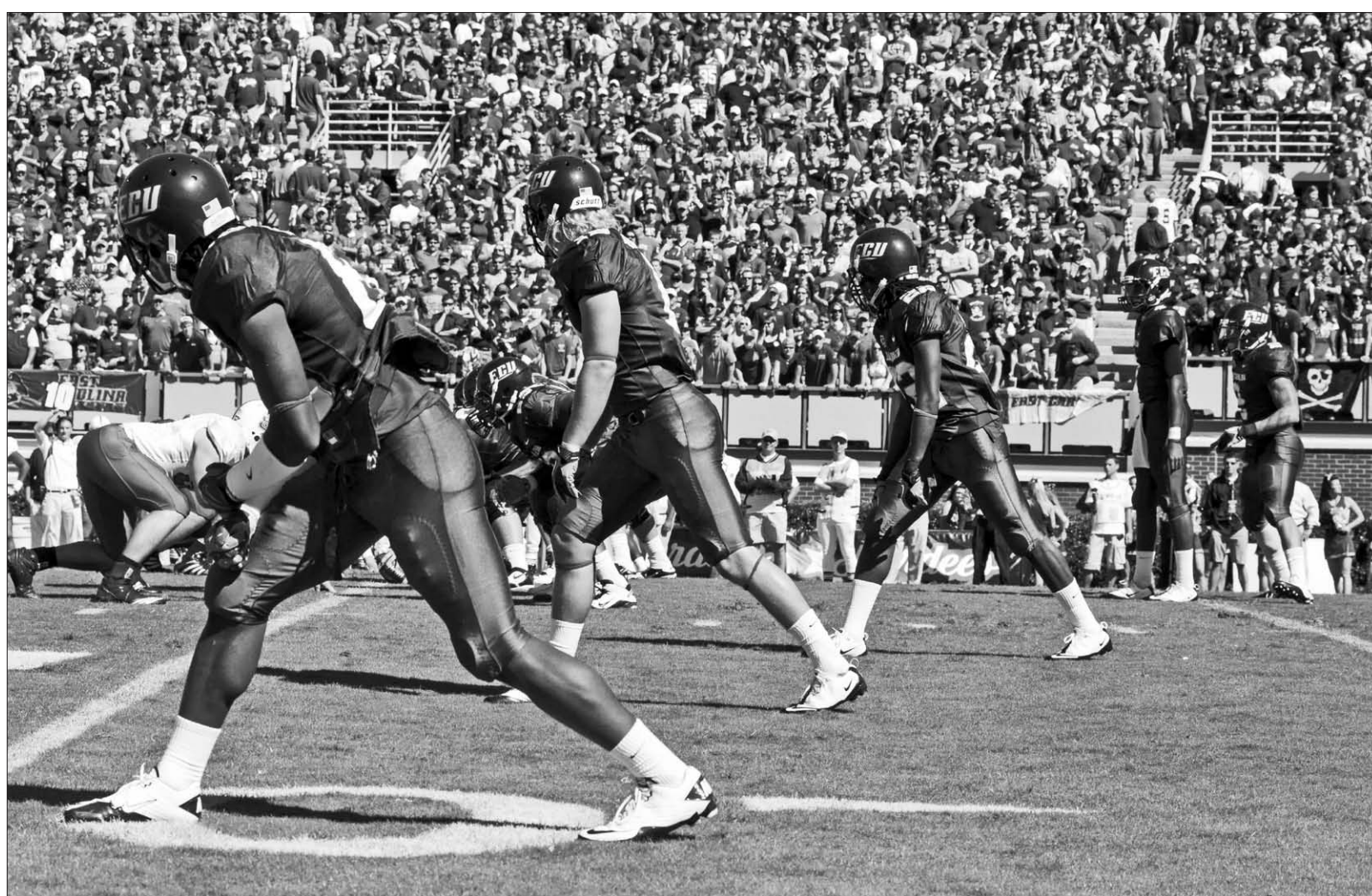
The Pirates return all five starters from last year's squad, including a foursome of seniors. Brock Young and Jamar Abrams started all 31 games for the Pirates last season and ranked first and third on the team in scoring. Jontae Sherrod played in all 31 games with 26 starts, while Chad Wynn, who is a fifth-year senior, played in 27 games with 26 starts before missing the final four games due to injury.

The Pirates are preparing for the 2010-11 season opener on Nov. 12th against Erskine inside Williams Arena at Minges Coliseum. ECU will play an exhibition game Nov. 5th against Montreat.

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ECU ready to wrangle up the Herd



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The ECU offense lines up three receivers to the left of quarterback Dominique Davis against N.C. State. The Pirates will prepare to defend Greenville from Marshall on homecoming this Saturday.

Adam Bunn
ASSISTANT SPORTS EDITOR

ECU returns to conference play this weekend as it looks to avoid the dreaded trap game as the Marshall Thundering Herd invades Greenville.

The Pirates (4-2) are coming off their biggest win of the season, a non-conference overtime victory against in-state rival N.C. State, but while that game may have given ECU the statement win they were looking for, they must be sure to be ready for Marshall.

Offensively, the Pirates struck early and often in the first quarter against the Pack, scoring 21 points in the quarter, but the intensity seemed to trail off as the game went along. ECU only scored six points the rest of regulation, allowing the Wolfpack back into the game.

Quarterback Dominique Davis had his best game as a Pirate, completing 37 of 53 passes for 376 yards with two touchdowns and, most importantly, without an interception for the first time since playing Memphis in the second game of the season. Those numbers against N.C. State take Davis to completing on the season 173 of 269 passes for 1,815 yards with 16 touchdown passes and those nine interceptions.

The running game has continued its regression, ranking 102nd in the nation in total rushing yards per game and averaging only 107 yards a game on the ground. After fumbling the ball near the goal line, starting running back Jon Williams was regulated to the back-up role as the lone bright spot of the Pirates' rushing attack. Giovanni Ruffin continued to run hard even after fumbling the ball heading into the end zone, a play that could have changed the entire course of the game. The Pirates' leading rusher remains Williams, who has carried the ball 81 times for 392 yards with five touchdowns.

Facing Marshall on Saturday, the Pirates' offense needs to have another fast start and give no hope

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'Never say die'

Lorianna Whitford
STAFF WRITER

There is an unmistakable pride that exudes from the core of every Pirate. With different focuses and different dreams, they reach to each other for celebrations of spirit or in times of need. No matter where they end up, we'll always know that during a special part of our lives, we found a home in ECU and it created the mold to shape the people they will become.

Despite the many differences, ECU students unite among a common theme. They are Pirates and that is what makes them fit together so beautifully. The Pirates of the seas were not afraid to stand out, challenge the unchallenged and sail against the current. They fought for what they wanted and flew their flags high with pride.

When you look at it that way, you see that not much has changed since then.

We will always be Pirates and that is what makes the Purple and Gold Nation so special. It is that shared pride that makes new head football coach Ruffin McNeill fit in with so well. He too is a graduate of ECU.

McNeill knows what it's like to be a Pirate. When a packed house at Dowdy-Ficklen Stadium waves its hands in the air in unison at the end of a football game, he knows exactly what they're feeling. He knows what Pirate Pride is. If you saw him when the game ended last week, you'd notice him look up at the crowd, touch his heart and lift his hands to the sky. The emotions his actions embodied were shared throughout the packed stadium and will go with our memories as one of

the most memorable games in Dowdy-Ficklen. Pirates can find comfort in knowing that our head football coach is a true Pirate. With this weekend's Homecoming festivities soon underway, ECU should be proud to welcome McNeill home.

Coach McNeill played at ECU as a defensive back from 1976 to 1980. As a three-year starter and a two-season captain, he helped take ECU to the Southern Conference Championship of 1976 and an Independence Bowl berth in 1978.

After graduating, he immediately entered the world of coaching in his hometown of Lumberton, N.C., and furthered his coaching career as a graduate assistant while working on his master's from

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Ranking the Carolinas

OPINION



Tyrone Spencer
STAFF WRITER

They have finally arrived! The overrated BCS Rankings have reared their highly scrutinized heads, and Oklahoma sits atop the list at No. 1. Last week, Wisconsin upset No. 1 Ohio State and our favorite ex-head coach Skip Holtz, and South Florida lost to West Virginia. The excitement of two non-BCS schools in the top five means nothing to fans in the Tar Heel and Palmetto states. Outside of beating up on each other, the majority of North Carolina and South Carolina schools have not fared well when facing programs across the nation. Overall, these teams are 14-17 against teams outside the Carolinas. But none of that matters. The only important thing is how they fare when pitted against each other in these rankings.



No. 19 South Carolina (4-2): South Carolina's hopes of crashing the BCS party flew out of the window when they

dropped a "trap" game at Kentucky on Saturday. Apparently, the Gamecocks did not see last week's rankings warning them to not overlook their upcoming foes. Kentucky scored late in the fourth quarter to cap off a 31-28 victory over South Carolina. After losing Marcus Lattimore to an ankle injury, SC could not put the pieces together to prevent the upset. Before his injury, he had already gained 212 yards of total offense and three touchdowns. A win would have put them out front in the SEC East, one of the most competitive conference divisions in the country. The Gamecock defense surrendered a career-high 349 yards and four touchdowns to Kentucky's quarterback, Mike Hartline. Saturday, USC visits the Vanderbilt Commodores. Losing would almost guarantee them a dismissal from the top 25 and would all but put them out of contention for a division title. **Next game: 10/23 @ Vanderbilt**



East Carolina (4-2): Two huge overtime plays were key to ECU defeating rival N.C. State and leapfrogging the Wolfpack on this list. The Pirates were rough and rowdy this past Saturday in Greenville. A raucous crowd and aggressive play

calling led ECU to its second straight victory. True freshman Damon Magazu shut the door on N.C. State's final attempt to steal a victory on the road. His interception in the end zone was enough to finish off the Pack and send the sellout home crowd into an uproar. That record crowd witnessed Dominique Davis put together another 300-yard game, his third of the season. Ironically, the same defense that has come up short for Ruffin McNeill's team clinched a win Saturday. Hopefully, this recent defensive play is a sign of things to come for this team destined for more Conference USA championship glory. The Pirates welcome in the Marshall Thundering Herd for a Homecoming matchup this weekend. ECU barely escaped Huntington with a 21-17 win last season. **Next game: 10/23 vs. Marshall**



North Carolina (4-2): Going into Saturday's game, UNC had not won while visiting Virginia since 1981. The Tar Heels emphatically changed that by demolishing the Cavaliers 44-10. The first play of the game set the tone for UNC, with T.J. Yates hitting his receiver for 81 yards and a touchdown. His

South Carolina remains on top while ECU leapfrogs N.C. State in this week's rankings

receiver, Dwight Jones, racked up 188 yards and two touchdowns. Yates threw for three scores in all. The Tar Heels' fourth victory in a row also featured three interceptions by a defense attempting to regain preseason prosperity. This week on UNC's schedule showcases a throw down against another 4-2 team, No. 25 Miami Hurricanes. Both teams are fresh off of wins over under-matched teams, although Miami struggled at times versus Duke. The Tar Heels will also have to overcome losing leading receiver and tight end Zack Pianalto to a broken leg. **Next game: 10/23 @ Miami**



North Carolina State (5-2): It is safe to say that N.C. State went into their last game as the favorites. The first quarter proved otherwise. The Wolfpack allowed East Carolina to jump out to an early 21-0 lead in their "Battle for the Barrel" this weekend. But NCSU managed to fight back and force the Pirates into a last-minute field goal to send the game into an extra frame. Three hundred passing yards plus two scores from Russell Wilson was not enough to give the Pack a victory over their cross-state rivals. Conversely,

his three interceptions and one fumble may be to blame for the loss, as his last pick came at the very end of the game, in the end zone. N.C. State is off until Oct. 28 when they welcome in No. 17 Florida State. **Next game: 10/28 vs. Florida State**



Clemson (3-3): The Tigers were able to snap a three-game losing streak with their victory over the Maryland Terrapins. While former Clemson star C.J. Spiller was preparing to retire his No. 28 jersey, current star Andre Ellington was creating buzz of his own. He contributed a rushing touchdown and a kick return to Clemson's 31-7 victory. The Terps came up drastically short in this game, although they have been one of the biggest surprises in the ACC this year. Clemson must play on top of its game if they have any chance of stopping the triple option and the "Wramblin' Wreck." **Next game: 10/23 vs. Georgia Tech.**

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Head coach Ruffin McNeill coaching the Pirates on against the Wolfpack. This Homecoming marks the first one for McNeill since 1992.

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Clemson University. After traveling across the nation gaining experience (one year as a defensive line coach for ECU in 1992), he has now come home to land his first head coaching position as ECU's leader in command of Dowdy-Ficklen Stadium.

McNeill expressed his feelings on coming back to his roots.

"I consider it an honor to be back at ECU. It was a special place for me as a student and as a player. It's meant a lot to my family," McNeill said. "My brother's a graduate of ECU as well as my sister-in-law, my brother-in-law, my wife has her master's from ECU. So ECU's been a special place for us. It's my honor to be able to come back and be named the head football coach here."

McNeill continued with his gratitude.

"I've been through a lot of adverse situations and experiences as a coach, but coming home has been God's plan, not man's plan. It is an honor."

This weekend, hundreds will come to town to relive their memories from their college

days, whether they settled down nearby, or traveled far away, ECU will always welcome them with open arms.

McNeill shed some insight on his plan for the team.

"We're going to work to continue to improve on fundamentals and technique to work on playing the present play and then the next play and to continue to build what we call Pirate Football, which is a physical, tough, smart, never say die attitude."

To say the least, ECU is pumped for another weekend of Pirate Football. McNeill couldn't agree more.

"I'm looking forward to another great day for our fans. I think we have the best atmosphere in college football," McNeill said confidently. "I've been around different venues and if you were here this past Saturday in the game against NCSU, then you know how it feels. I'm looking forward to the same atmosphere here in Dowdy-Ficklen (against Marshall)."

Coach McNeill kindly extended his thanks to those in

an around the ECU program.

"The people affiliated with ECU genuinely love ECU. They love the university and they love the sports teams, and those are qualities that are hard to find," McNeill said. "I appreciate the Boneyard (the new addition with our students), I appreciate all of our alum and Pirate Nation support. Our players are special and I really appreciate all of the support they're getting."

Determined to lead the Pirates in a way that helps the athletic program succeed and the athletes achieve excellence, McNeill has proven to be ECU's perfect pick.

The emotion-filled action of this weekend's Homecoming will be one to remember. Be part of welcoming coach McNeill and many other alumni home. After all, it won't be long until you're the one coming back to reignite your Pirate Pride.

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to a team begging for a win.

The star of the last few weeks for the Pirates has been the emergence of the ECU defense. Heading into the game against Southern Miss two weeks ago, the defense was looked at as the weak part of this football team. However, that changed after keeping the offense somewhat in the game against the Golden Eagles, and this past weekend, shutting down the high-powered Wolfpack offense for the entire first quarter, allowing the Pirates offense to get out to that big lead.

Just three weeks ago, this was a unit that could not get off the field on third down, could not force turnovers and couldn't make that one big stop to put the pressure on the opposing team, but now Head Coach Ruffin McNeill sees a team that is doing all those things.

"They did a great job on third down for the second week in a row," McNeill said. "They held N.C. State to five of 18. They're eight of 35 on third-down conversions the last two weeks against very, very, very good offenses."

While the defense remains ranked at the bottom of most statistical categories, the defense has been able to bend but not break in crucial situations. In the game against Southern Miss with the offense struggling, the defense kept the Golden Eagles out of the end zone, forcing field goals and keeping a comeback hope alive. Saturday on the Pack's last drive, the Pirates' defense held NCSU to a field goal instead of allowing the game-winning touchdown to score.

While the Pirates have found a new sense of motivation, Marshall is going in the complete opposite direction as they head into this game sporting a 1-5 record.

The Thundering Herd opened up the season at Ohio State and then welcomed West Virginia to Huntington in a game that may have been the nail in the coffin for Marshall, even though it was just the second game of the season.

After holding a 21-6 advantage in the fourth, the Thundering Herd allowed West Virginia to score 15 unanswered points in

the last five minutes of the quarter to take the game to overtime, where Marshall would lose by a field goal.

Offensively, Marshall ranks toward the bottom of the NCAA in nearly every category, including ranking 106th in points, 108th in rushing offense and 73rd in pass offense.

Quarterback Brian Anderson has completed 100 of 177 passes for 1,009 yards with nine touchdown passes to go along with six interceptions.

Wide receiver Aaron Dobson leads the way for the Thundering Herd on offense, having caught 24 passes for 402 yards with four touchdown catches, and he has caught the eye of coach McNeill.

"The wide receivers are led by Aaron Dobson, another tall receiver. Going back to North Carolina State, I never thought I would see a basketball team on a football field. N.C. State ran a basketball team out there," McNeill said. "They had the biggest receivers I had ever seen in my life. Dobson is a tall receiver who fits that mold. He is rangy and has athleticism."

On defense, the Herd is not much better. So far this season, their defensive unit has allowed four of the six teams they have played to score over 30 points and boast a unit that ranks 107th in scoring defense, giving up 35 points a game.

"Defensively, they are led up front by Vinny Curry, who is a really fine football player. I noticed this morning, after watching the Ohio State film, that he did a great job against them. He's really active," McNeill said. "He's 6-foot-4, 252 pounds and has eight sacks already this season. Vinny will be a great test for our offensive line."

The Pirates will need to put all their focus on Marshall and not get caught up in their own hype, because when a team becomes over-confident, they tend to get snake-bitten.

ECU will kick off Homecoming against Marshall at 4:15 p.m. and the game will be covered locally by WITN.

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The ECU football hits the field in action against N.C. State last week. The Pirates will take on Marshall this Saturday.

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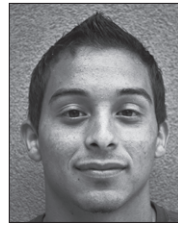
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Last week, (7-3);
Overall, (48-22)



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Last week, (8-2);
Overall, (49-21)



Jeffrey Jones
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Last week, (5-5);
Overall, (49-21)



Chase Kroll
Sports Writer
Last week, (5-5);
Overall, (49-21)



Lorianna Whitford
Sports Writer
Last week, (6-4);
Overall, (50-20)

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<i>LSU vs. Auburn</i>	Auburn	Auburn	Auburn	Auburn	Auburn
<i>Houston vs. SMU</i>	SMU	SMU	SMU	SMU	SMU
<i>Marshall vs. ECU</i>	ECU	ECU	ECU	ECU	ECU
<i>Oklahoma vs. Mizzou</i>	Oklahoma	Oklahoma	Oklahoma	Oklahoma	Oklahoma
<i>UAB vs. Mississippi St.</i>	Mississippi St.	Mississippi St.	Mississippi St.	Mississippi St.	Mississippi St.
<i>UNC vs. Miami (Fla.)</i>	Miami	UNC	Miami	UNC	Miami
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Greenville Recreation & Parks Department is recruiting youth basketball referees, coaches and scorekeepers for the 2010/2011 Winter youth basketball program. Applicants must possess a good knowledge of basketball rules and/or have knowledge in officiating basketball games. Applicants must be able to officiate or score keep 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 November 29 to early March. Scorekeepers will be paid \$8.00 an hour and officials will be paid \$12 per game. For more information, please contact the Athletic Office at 329-4550, Monday through Thursday 12-9pm and Friday 12-7pm. Please visit www.greenvillenc.gov to fill out an employment application.

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HALLOWEEN

EVENTS

- TRUE LIFE HALLOWEEN: A PIRATES LIFE FOR ME**
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- MURDER MYSTERY DINNER THEATRE**
Monday, Oct 25 • 6:30pm-8:30pm • MSC Great Rooms
- BROKEN LEG NIGHT OF TERROR**
Tuesday, Oct 26th • 8:00pm • MSC 244
- HYPNOTIST JOSHUA SETH**
Tuesday, Oct 26th • 8:00pm • Hendrix Theater
- COMPUTER LUNCH AND LEARN: HALLOWEEN SAFETY TIPS**
Wednesday, Oct 27th • 11:30am-1:00pm • MSC Social Room
- FRIGHTFULLY FIT**
Oct 27th - Oct 31st • Various Times Offered • SRC
- PREMIUM NIGHT**
Thursday, Oct 28th • 4:30pm-8:00pm • Todd & West End Dining Hall
- HAUNTED HOUSE**
Oct 28th - Oct 31st • 8:00pm-11:00pm • MSC Social Room
Sunday, Oct 31st • 9:00pm-1:00am • MSC Social Room
- ROCKY HORROR PICTURE SHOW**

October 25-31, 2010
Individuals requesting accommodation under the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) should contact the Department for Disability Support Services at least 48 hours prior to the event at (252) 737-1016 (Voice/TTY).

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