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ECU vs. NC State football game sells out in one day

Staff Reports

The ECU versus N.C. State home football game has officially sold out. All student section and Pirate Club guest tickets were picked up by 5 p.m. Tuesday night. Tickets went on sale that morning at 10 a.m. where students stood in line for almost two hours.

"We had about 30 to 40 people camp out over night," said Justin Ackley, a sports management grad student. "Right before we opened, though, we had about 200 to 300 people lined up to buy tickets."

The rest of the day, students were able to trickle in and walk up to the window to get their tickets without having to wait in any long lines. If any Student Pirate Club members want guest tickets for the ECU versus Marshall Homecoming game, they may pick them up starting on Tuesday, Oct. 19, starting at 10 a.m. SPC members must have their SPC card and ECU OneCard in order to pick up any tickets at either the Minges Coliseum box office or the Mendenhall Student Center.

For the N.C. State game, gates will open two hours before the start of the game and a record number of people are expected to turn out for the game. Everyone is asked to enter the stadium early to ensure that they get a seat and support the Pirate football team. Everyone is also encouraged to wear purple to the game because it has been designated as the Purple Haze game.

Interfraternity Council welcomes two new frats

Staff Reports

The Interfraternity Council at ECU voted in 2007 to expand and invite two new fraternities to campus within four years. Phi Gamma Delta came to campus in 2009 and Alpha Tau Omega will come to campus in 2011.

Alpha Tau Omega will come to campus this spring and has worked with IFC and Greek Life to plan on starting their colony, the name given to a group before they become a chapter. In the beginning of February after fraternity rush is over, they will look for new members to join.

Phi Gamma Delta has been successful with 45 members and 18 new members, and it is becoming a chapter this coming weekend. Members include the student body president and treasurer, and every member has achieved over a 3.0 GPA since they have come to campus.

ATO will have staff members on hand for several weeks during the spring semester to offer male students an opportunity to find out what the fraternity is all about.

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Annual cancer awareness event raises funds, educates

Peace. Love. Pirates. Cure.

Hannah Jackson
STAFF WRITER

An annual cancer awareness event called "Peace. Love. Pirates. Cure." was held Wednesday, Oct. 6 at the Student Recreation Center. It is designed to teach students about different types of cancer. October is also National Breast Cancer Awareness Month, and many events are held to gain attention as well as raise funds.

Not only was it a Passport Event, students also received a punch card at the beginning where they could rate and comment on

the fair. If you visited nine booths and got your card punched, at the end of the fair you earned a spin on the wheel for free prizes such as pens, bracelets and T-shirts.

Students could learn something different at each booth. Some of the tables featured had information about breast cancer, cervical cancer, leukemia, testicular cancer and ways to prevent these. The American Cancer Society also had a booth featuring healthy eating and how to develop healthy eating habits. Clifton Langley, Jr., a coordinator

of northeastern North Carolina as well as an alumnus of ECU, spoke at his booth about the event. "This is a great way for students, as well as faculty, to be more informed, and it is great for each organization to get their information out there." They also are sponsoring an event that will be at the Boys and Girls Club of Pitt County this weekend.

Relay for Life also had a table. They were promoting their race, which is on April 15 of next year.

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TYRON DEMERY | THE EAST CAROLINIAN

Students stop to examine a display presented by sorority Sigma Alpha Omega.

SGA holds town hall meeting in Cotten Hall



LESLIE BAKER | THE EAST CAROLINIAN

Student Body President Tremayne Smith discusses student involvement with SGA members at a town hall meeting in Cotten Residence Hall on Wednesday evening.

Jennifer Soares
ASSISTANT NEWS EDITOR

On Wednesday, the Student Government Association held a town hall meeting in Cotten Residence Hall to discuss various issues pertaining to campus and the student body.

In order for students to become familiar with their officers, Secretary of SGA Kristina Dortschy introduced the Director of Special Projects Carly Terrier, Director of Community Affairs Josh Carter, Director of Academic Affairs Kenny Blair, Senator of BSU Gerrick Hilliard, Executive Branch Chief of Staff AJ Malicdem, Student Body Vice President/ Senate President Josh Martinkovic, Student Body President Tremayne Smith and Freshman Class President Zack Hawkins.

"We think it is very important to go to residence halls to talk about what we are doing and what the students want us to do," said Smith. "SGA wants to work together with the student body as a whole."

This year the senate and executive committee have joined

forces in order to work together on campus-related issues. They have 40 members of the senate with 10 organization seats. The main concern for students is the increase in tuition fees, which was seen this past semester. After speaking with university officials, SGA learned that technology fees, athletic fees and tuition will also be increased for the spring semester. On Thursday, Oct. 14, there will be a forum on tuition hikes and SGA encourages student attendance to voice any concerns they have about paying more money.

Every Monday at 5 p.m., the senate holds their weekly meeting, which is open to the public. Smith will also hold a weekly presidential address every Friday at 12 p.m. on WZMB 91.3 Pirate Radio and have a monthly TV appearance on Cable Channel 7 "Talk of the Town."

According to the senate, in compliance with the U.S. Department of the Treasury, ECU is also implementing a screening process to be conducted by John Chinn, director of the Office of Research Compliance Administration, which will start in late

October. The Office of Foreign Assets Control states, "Before allowing foreign nationals to participate in research involving specific technologies or before sharing research information with persons who are not citizens of the United States or permanent resident aliens."

The student body president discussed six points of the executive platform and events that will be going on around campus this semester and in the future. The Croatan, which will house Chili's Too, was also a concern during the meeting. Construction is slated to be finished in January of 2011 but the date is still tentative.

"We want students to attend certain events but if they don't know, then they won't go," said Smith.

SGA is also working side by side with Chancellor Steve Ballard to make him aware of student concerns.

"By bridging the gap between the chancellor and student concern, ECU can strive toward

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Gay suicides create a 'teachable moment'

Associated Press

Gay Americans have arrived at a "teachable moment."

Often feeling marginalized in political discourse or grousing that they're used as political pawns, they have the nation's attention — and sympathy — after a recent spate of teenage suicides and two apparent anti-gay attacks in the heart of their community.

Same-sex marriage and gays in the military remain on the political front burner, but general education and anti-discrimination campaigns are drawing a wider audience. While advocates hesitate to appear as if they're capitalizing on tragedy, some observers say the political gains from it could come naturally.

Rep. Barney Frank, the nation's first openly gay congressman, drew a parallel to the violent

images of trained animals attacking civil rights protesters in the segregated South — and how they helped galvanize white sentiment in favor of black civil rights.

"The police dogs helped the movement," he said. "It's when bigotry shows itself at its worst that people respond."

Several teenagers from California to Rhode Island committed suicide in the past few weeks, including New Jersey college student Tyler Clementi, who jumped off a bridge into the Hudson River after, prosecutors say, his roommate and a friend secretly streamed his sexual encounter with a man on the Web. New York police reported two anti-gay assaults over the weekend, including one at the bar where riots credited with the birth of the modern gay rights movement took place. Sympathy and outrage have

manifested themselves in campus vigils, viral videos by the likes of Ellen DeGeneres, a call for awareness by comedian Margaret Cho on "Dancing With the Stars," and even state legislation addressing the New Jersey case. Politicians including U.S. Sens. Frank Lautenberg and Robert Menendez attended a "statewide town meeting" at Rutgers on Wednesday night in honor of Clementi and bullying victims elsewhere in New Jersey.

Political strategists think the tears and reflection might be an opportunity to advance gay rights.

"Every once in a while, there's something about the victim and the way it happens that transfers from tragedy into a teachable moment," said Richard Socarides,

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Eastern NC begins to survey damage from rain and floods

Associated Press

Officials were assessing damage from rain and floods Tuesday in eastern North Carolina, even as some areas continued to face high water unlikely to recede before the weekend.

Concerns ranged from lost homes and wrecked businesses to potentially harmful effects on farmers' crops. With damage spread across 19 counties, the full scope won't be known until the end of the week at the earliest.

"After '99, nobody thought it would happen again in their lifetime, and now 11 years later we're reliving the same thing," said Vanceboro Mayor Chad Braxton, referring to Hurricane Floyd in 1999.

Waters in Vanceboro were still high, and Braxton said it will be about two days before the town knows for sure how many homes and businesses were damaged. But officials there know that roughly 26 homes, including 14 mobile homes from a park on the outskirts of town, are total losses already.

The Red Cross was still operating shelters Tuesday in Washington, Windsor and New Bern, said regional director Lynwood Roberson, although he didn't have a tally of overnight occupants. The area Red Cross has served 632 meals and more

than 3,500 snacks to people displaced by the flooding, but say demand is beginning to drop off.

"The waters are receding a little bit now, thank the good Lord," Roberson said.

The falling waters are allowing state and federal teams to begin estimating how much damage has been done since last week, when more than 20 inches of rain fell across most of the eastern part of the state.

In some places, the water has barely receded, leaving residents still vulnerable to high water. State officials expect the Northeast Cape Fear River at Burgaw, the Neuse River at Kinston and the Lumber River at Lumberton to remain at flood stage until Friday or Saturday, said Julia Jarema, spokeswoman for the state Division of Emergency Management.

"The river crested yesterday, but it's only receded half a foot since then," said Tommy Batson, a deputy fire marshal with the Pender County Department of Emergency Management in Burgaw. "There's still a lot of stuff that's just inundated."

State officials are also concerned about potential losses to farmers in the region, where some fields sat under a foot or

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The GLBTSU Fall semester Drag Show featured four performers including host Michelle Michaels. The Gay, Lesbian, Bi, Transgender student union was organized by President Katy Ross. This semester's show featured their first drag king, Nation. The show was free of charge but performers happily received dollar bill donations. Over 700 people filed into Hendrix Theater for the Spring show.

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an adviser to President Bill Clinton on gay and lesbian issues.

It's not a moment of optimism for all gay rights activists.

"There have been many high-profile incidents of adolescent suicide, even pre-adolescent suicide where kids have ended their own lives because of despair and hopelessness," said Ethan Geto, a lobbyist who works on gay rights issues. "This has not yet led to a comprehensive, truly meaningful social-slash-governmental reaction."

But there are signs this time might be different.

Christian A. Berle, deputy executive director of the Log Cabin Republicans, a gay GOP group, noted that the conservative tea party movement that has captured much of the Republican zeitgeist has not focused as much on social issues as has the party establishment.

"A lot of them are saying that these fiscal issues should be the foremost concern," Berle said. "Time and time I've heard that banning gay marriage would not give anyone a job; banning gays from serving in the military is not going to gain any jobs."

Billy Kluttz, a co-president of the gay student organization at the University of North Carolina in Chapel Hill, said his organization is holding a vigil Thursday to honor

the suicide and assault victims and spread awareness of violence that can confront young gays.

Straight students he talks to are sympathetic about what happened to Clementi, the student at New Jersey's Rutgers University, he said.

"People are more receptive," Kluttz, a junior from Concord, N.C., said. "We use that for building more ally support."

The suicide problem, like bullying, has long been a major concern among rights groups and carefully tracked by gay-oriented media outlets, but the widespread attention is new — even as formerly far-fetched ideas like legalized gay marriage have become reality in some places.

"While we have openly gay politicians and gay characters on television, the reality of life still seems dire for some of these young people," said Michael Cole, spokesman for Human Rights Campaign, a national gay rights group. Despite increasing tolerance for gays on some fronts, the most-heard insult at schools is, "That's so gay," he said.

Hate-crime laws came into being in several states after Matthew Shepard, a gay, 21-year-old student at the University of Wyoming, was found beaten and tied to a remote fence post in 1998.

In the time since then, gay rights have become a mainstay in

the national political conversation — but marriage and the military have gotten the most attention and seen key court victories in both areas.

Former Clinton adviser Socarides, now a lawyer in New York, said the suicides can demonstrate why gays should be allowed to marry, join the military and work without fear of being fired because of their sexual orientation.

"When you speak out for full equality now, as opposed to partial equality, or incremental equality," he said, "you send a message to everybody, including the bullies, that everyone is equal."

In New Jersey, lawmakers are preparing to introduce a bill to toughen the state's anti-bullying laws. That push was under way months ago, before Clementi's suicide gave the problem a public face. But Steven Goldstein, chairman of the gay rights group Garden State Equality, said it's possible the bill will be adopted more quickly because of Clementi's death.

"Any tragedy points out the need for action, but believe me, we'd rather not have this tragedies happen at all," he said. "Don't we elect our public officials to have foresight and vision to prevent tragedy?"

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becoming a better university by keeping up with student issues," said Smith.

Another important concern for students is that they now have the ability to appeal any grade they have been given by a teacher. The rule, presented by the SGA, gives students the chance to either keep their current grade or receive a higher grade by showing proof of work they completed.

The State of the Student Government Address, similar to the State of the Union Address by the President of the United States, will be presented by the current student body president on Nov. 10 in Hendrix Theater. There will also be bi-monthly town hall meetings to increase student involvement and interaction with SGA members.

"I didn't really know a lot about SGA or thought I could talk to them about any problems I have at ECU," said freshman psychology and Spanish major Seema Ravishankar. "It is comforting to know that if you want something to be changed, you can just talk to them about it."

Smith also discussed a community outreach and involvement plan for officers to develop relations with Greenville's City Council and local school children. "We would like to go into the community and schools and show people they can be just like us, college students."

SGA will partner with Student Transit to begin upgrades on the transit system with state-of-the-art GPS capabilities to give the option of letting students know where exactly their bus is on its route, and how

long they have until the bus will get there. Also, the Pirate Express service will not be cancelled this year because of concerns raised to the school by the SGA. Students must follow all policies implemented by the Transit Authority which include no drinking, vomiting, fighting, etc., to ensure that ECU will not consider cancelling services in the future.

If anyone ever has any questions or concerns they want to bring to SGAs attention, they can stop by the SGA office in Mendenhall.

Homecoming voting will conclude today, so students are being asked to get out and vote.

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The Relay consists of teams of people that take turns walking or running around a track or path. Each team is asked to have a representative on the track at all times during the event, which last up to 24 hours. They had 300 people attend last year and raised \$90,000. They are hoping for an even bigger turnout this upcoming year.

"I mainly came to get my Passport stamped for Health, but it was really interesting and informative," said freshman Neha Dodia. She commented on how many different

booths there were to teach students things that television and advertisements do not.

A significant part of the fair was that this year there was a real tree in the center of all the tables. This plant, the "Tree of Hope," has notes that students and faculty wrote in dedication to someone they know that has had, survived or succumbed to cancer. You pick the corresponding colored ribbon to the type of cancer, write the name and then put it on the tree. It will be planted, and it shows symbolically

the hope that will grow out of the encouraging notes and dedications people wrote.

Meghan Mangal, an international student, commented on the importance of the event. "As an international student, I think it is really important to attend these educational events to become a more informed student of another country."

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more of water.

"The weather from here on out will dictate how severe the damage is, how quickly the fields dry and how quickly the harvests (can be brought in)," said Agriculture Commissioner Steve Troxler at a Council of State meeting. "It just proves that no matter how much technology we have and good production practices we have, we're always at the whim of the weather. And that's what farmers have to deal with."

Troxler is particularly worried about damage to cotton, soybeans, sweet potatoes, peanuts and any tobacco still left in the fields.

Gov. Beverly Perdue, who trav-

eled to flooded areas over the weekend, said she expects the federal government will come through with money to help recovery efforts.

"It's just really bad all over the place," she said. "Windsor is just sad."

Windsor, the Bertie County seat, saw some of the worst flooding in the state, with more than 200

homes and businesses damaged. As residents worked to clean up, though, many were trying to find some positive aspects to the disaster.

"At least it didn't stay around as long as Floyd," said Beverly Bracy as she helped clean up Joe's Service Center, a gas station owned by her father. "It came in fast and it went out fast."

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10.14
Cannon Ball Dance in the Murphy Center
Formal Event, Cocktail Attire, Music, Court Introductions

10.18
Banner Competition in Mendenhall Room 244
7:30am-11:30am – Banner Drop Off
2:00pm – Banner Judging

10.19
Court Interviews in Mendenhall Room 244
12:00pm-6:00pm
Skit Practice – Hendrix Theater
9:00pm-10:00pm

10.20
Lawn Competition – 3:00pm
Skit Competition – Hendrix Theater
9:00pm-10:00pm

10.21
Canned Food Drive – Food Bank
12:00pm-3:00pm – Drop Off
Homecoming Concert
LUDACRIS
7:00pm – Minges Coliseum

10.22
Halftime Practice
Pep-Rally – Freeboot Friday
5:00pm-8:00pm
NPHC Step Show – Wright Auditorium
8:00pm

10.23
Float Contest – Wahl Coats Elementary
7:00am-8:15am – Float Drop Off
8:30am-9:30am – Judging
10:00am – Parade

Rock in the Purple & Gold

HOMECOMING FOOTBALL VS MARSHALL
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Dear White Nissan driver who hit me on Tenth Street on Tuesday: I hope you get hit by a train. Next time, look for pedestrians, you dumb b****.

When it floods we don't worry, we just break out the row boats and row to class...because we are ECU Pirates!!!!

To the two self absorbed girls in my music class: nobody cares about how slutty you're going to look on Halloween. Try putting that on a resume.

You know if you're texting and not watching where you're going: don't get mad if I run you over with my bike. Also to other bikers: please try to look ahead of you for other bikers and around corners... I don't need to crash again because someone wasn't paying attention!

Dear lab partner: it SERIOUSLY scares me that you might actually provide health care to people someday. Please reconsider your major for all of our sakes!

To the person in my biology class who insisted on invading my personal space: thanks, now my back hurts from leaning out of my chair to avoid your elbow stabbing me.

Even your umbrella is slutty.

Shout out to the girl who sat in front of me in stats class who kept farting all throughout class: Yes you did well to conceal the sound, but that AWFUL smell told on you and burned my nose!

91.3 WZMB is awesome, they play original stuff!

To the two girls running in the rain during the monsoon last Thursday on Greenville Blvd: you two are clearly very dumb and probably sick by now.

Dear Roommate: you do not always have to be loudest person in the room. I know you are in need of constant attention, but get over yourself! No one cares about you and your repeat stories! Reality Check: You're Obnoxious! Sincerely, "Quiet" Roommate.

Does anyone else secretly hope there is a pirate rant about them...good or bad?

What was up with the power on central campus on Friday night? On one minute and then off for two hours. Geez.

To the girls dancing on the pole Friday night: find some rhythm and stick to your day job.

I can't help but stare at your curly dark blond hair and swoon over your deep southern accented voice, so sorry if I creep you out when I do!

Dear girl in Building 12 of the landing: thank you for walking around naked on Saturday night, all the people at my party enjoyed the show. Sincerely, close your blinds.

More Pirate Rants on our website!!!



Leslie Baker
OPINION COLUMNIST

"But, I don't want to kill him!" I screamed. "Maybe I can wait until tomorrow. No, if I wait, he will eat me! HE IS GOING TO EAT ME IN MY SLEEP!"

Those were the panic-stricken words my neighbors likely overheard in the middle of the night last week.

I was on the phone with my boyfriend, whose audible eye rolling was frustrating me.

"It's a little, tiny cockroach," he sighed. "Just squish it."

"I can't!"

"You can."

"But what if it attacks me?"

"It isn't going to attack you. You're bigger than it is, anyway."

Twenty minutes later, I was sporting a makeshift suit of armor: rain boots, pajamas and sock mittens, while carrying various household objects as ammunition.

I threw a shoe at the enemy, missed and ran away. The roach, obviously intimidated by my art of warfare, scurried under my bathroom rug. I repeated my ingenious attack several times, flailing about in a pathetic mix of fight and flight, until I was out of shoes.

As I stood, defeated, staring at my bathroom floor, a small wave of courage washed over me.

You're bigger than it is, anyway.

I kicked the rug with my rain boot. The roach darted out, but this time I ran after it into the kitchen. I took a breath, and stomped around

in his general direction. Finally, with one loud *CRRRUNCH*, he was defeated.

The following morning, instead of basking in the glow of victory, I found myself suddenly burdened by thoughts of schoolwork. It seemed my newfound courage was nowhere to be found. I began adding up all the projects, homework and papers in my mind, and I came to the conclusion that there was no way I could complete everything.

It was happening again. I was overreacting.

I tried telling myself, *It's just a few assignments. Not a big deal.* But my worries got the better of me. I angrily rebutted my calming thoughts. *No, it's not just a few projects. It's so much more. My entire student career is hanging on this.*

I then remembered how I had overreacted during the cockroach fiasco. I should have simply smashed the roach and moved on to more important things. Instead, I turned something trivial into something insurmountable. I had wasted time and energy, but more significantly, I had let my fears control me.

The next morning, I began working on my assignments without contemplating how difficult or stressful they would be. By mid-afternoon, everything on my to-do list was completed, with time to spare. I felt lighter, happier and uninhibited. I was victorious once again.

It is easy to feel both physically drained and mentally overwhelmed in college. We are faced with mid-terms, research papers, tests and personal issues clouding our minds.

However, the stress and worry caused by these problems would dissipate if we recognized the real issues. We should ask ourselves, "Why am I afraid, really? What is the source of all this stress?" Surprisingly, the problem is often much smaller than we believe. Once we identify it, we can simply



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squash it and move on.

The next time you feel overpowered by the 10-page research paper due tomorrow, the test you forgot to study for or the unexpected breakup, remember to take a step back and look at your fear.

Remove your rain boots and ridiculous sock mittens. It's just a cockroach. And you're bigger than it is, anyway.

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"Every one of you will be tomorrow's leaders."

STEVE BALLARD

Lakes where they shouldn't be



Ryan Chandler
OPINION COLUMNIST

It's early in the morning. You awake to the ringing of the alarm and have just enough energy to roll out of bed and shut it off.

The normal routine is to take a quick glance out the window to see how to prepare the outfit for the day, and then begin the everyday wake-up process. When you open your eyes to see rain beating against the pavement like a drummer at a rock concert and masses of water growing with every passing minute, a different mindset forms. Thoughts of a long, frustrating day begin to fill your head.

After days of steady down-pour, as we experienced last week, campus becomes a headache and hazard to deal with. There are many challenges that present themselves around every corner, forcing students to use extra caution when navigating ECU.

One main point of concern by students is that shelter is limited around campus. You can often find "building hoppers" doing everything they can to avoid the rain, but in many areas a trip through the water is inevitable. The students who live

on campus have long walks from dorm rooms to where classes are held, with nothing to shield them along the way.

An umbrella in a storm around here is guaranteed to only keep the upper half of your body dry. For those who live off campus and wait for buses off of 10th Street, there is no cover in sight. Everyone can be seen huddled on the stairs of Christenbury trying to stay dry. Even the few covered stops around campus are too small to hold a significant amount of people during inclement weather.

Along with finding cover, you also have to be on a constant lookout for the lakes that seem to magically appear on these stormy days.

As fellow columnist Ben Cochran said, "They call it Pitt County for a reason," which suggests that ECU sits in the middle of a bowl that makes it easy for water to collect and flood the area. Even the river at the bottom of College Hill became a center of attention, as students snapped pictures to capture the amazing water height. The river is a dilemma for many who drive, because roads and parking are so bad that access has to be blocked.

Wednesday of last week, an e-mail was sent explaining the closure of several lots around ECU. If commuters are unable to park in designated parking because of closure or can't make the drive to campus, how can you expect them to get to class? The number of those who drive increases on rainy days, so where are these drivers expected to park when lots are full due to

closings of other ones? A great solution would be the addition of a parking structure to our campus. This is an amenity that can solve a constant problem and be a convenience to many people who attend this university.

What worries me most, though, is that student bus drivers, who have little experience and are responsible for many lives, are being put behind the wheel in these insane conditions. I don't know if I can put much trust in the drivers, even though they do a great job providing a wonderful service.

The main issue at hand is to decide whether a severe enough rainstorm in Greenville can cause enough hazards to endanger the safety of the students. I believe that it can, and if that's the case, then should we treat a bad thunderstorm the same as a snow day? With the many challenges that arise during major storms, such as those last week, ECU needs to take a look at either improving the safety and accessibility of the campus or canceling classes when conditions reach a dangerous level.

For now, we can only hope that it's a while before we receive that amount of heavy rain again. It was a challenging week for many who had to deal with the trials of a water-soaked campus, but sunshine is in the near future. Hopefully all of our days will be brightened soon.

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1. ECU vs. N.C. State football game -

The football game we've all been waiting for is almost here! This in-state rivalry has most of the campus talking, and we cannot wait to paint Dowdy-Ficklen Stadium purple and gold on the big day against the Wolfpack. Go Pirates!

2. Cool weather -

While we thought summer 2010 was a blast as well as a much-needed break from classes, it was brutally hot, and that's why we are obsessed with the recent blast of cool weather! Breaking out the jackets and boots has us smiling because it makes the trek across campus much more bearable. Also, the cool weather gives us an excuse to update our winter wardrobes!

3. Halloween -

Greenville is known for being the place to be on Halloween. For this reason, we are obsessed with finding Halloween decorations and costumes while making plans for Oct. 31. Don't wait until it's too late to try to find that perfect Halloween costume!

4. Pandora phone application -

This free smartphone application is perfect for people looking for new music or for those looking for a cheap alternative to an iPod. Type in the name of a band or song and this music player will create a station that plays similar tunes. It also displays the name of the artist, track and album.

5. Fall break -

Fall break is almost here, and we can't wait! With midterms, extracurricular activities and classes in general, this semester has caused a ton of stress for almost everyone. Fall break is just what students need to get out of Greenville and take a breather from ECU!

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Volunteer and Service Learning Center celebrates 20th birthday

Celebrating 20 years of volunteer work and promoting students to get involved

Rebecca Blanchette
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ECU's Volunteer and Service Learning Center is proud to be celebrating its 20th anniversary. "It just kind of took on a mind of its own," said founder Judy Baker, about when she started the program. Baker started a pilot program in the spring of 1989, and in 1990 the ECU Student Volunteer Program was born (later to be renamed the Volunteer and Service Learning Center). "What I found out is that students really did like the opportunity to go out and volunteer but didn't really know where to go," said Baker.

A former health professor at ECU and currently a community developer at the center, Baker initially intended the program to just be for her students. However, once other professors caught wind of what she was doing, they immediately became interested. Suddenly, classes all over campus wanted to get involved. "The realization that students were willing to give back to the community was meaning enough to me," said Baker on her reasoning to expand the program.

"We get more out of the experience than the people we help," said Baker. "It helps a person certainly feel better about his or herself." The VSLC aims to give students something to commit to, a way to see things in a new perspective and a deeper understanding of social issues. "There are so many different types of students at ECU with different interests in community issues," said Michael Loeffelman, the volunteer coordinator. "We try to work with students based on what they're interested in doing." The VSLC has a multi-



Sophomore Akoyé Gamory enters data at the Volunteer and Service Learning Center.

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tude of volunteer opportunities that suit many different likings. Students can work with the elderly, youth or animals and even volunteer at hospitals, food banks and outdoor clean-ups. When the program first started, it only had eight agencies. Today it has over 120.

During the 2008-2009 school year, 11,000 ECU students volunteered 161,680 hours of service. "If people work together, there's really no end to the possibilities," said Baker. "One person can make a difference in another person's life." Volunteering isn't limited to Greenville or Pitt County, either. "We promote students being able to volunteer their time regardless of where," said Loeffelman. Students can volunteer in their hometowns, even if they're from out-of-state, and those hours can be

applied to their ECU record at the center.

Students are welcome to volunteer as often as they'd like. There are two different types of volunteer opportunities. First, the center has semester and yearlong student-run programs. These are projects that stretch over a longer period of time, and students have to sign up for them at the beginning of the semester. For example, one student led the program Fairytale Boutique, which collects donated gently used prom dresses and accessories to help dress young women for the prom who can't afford the expenses.

If students feel uneasy about committing themselves to a semester-long project, that's OK! There are plenty of one-time events throughout the course of the school year

that students are welcome to volunteer at. With the holidays around the corner, there are an abundance of one-time events coming up. For example, Turkey Palooza will be taking place around Thanksgiving. The VSLC also hosts volunteer trips over breaks. For example, there are a number of day trips planned for next week's fall break.

Volunteering is also an excellent way for students to get a foot into the field they wish to pursue after graduation. "You have an education major working with the youth, a hospitality major working in a soup kitchen and a biology major volunteering at a hospital," said Loeffelman. "It gives them direction for the future." It's also a great way for students to see if they truly like the field they intend to go

into. Some students have done volunteer service pertaining to their major and found out they hated it, which caused them to switch their course of study. "If you have a good volunteer experience, you'll know if that's something you want to do for the rest of your life," said Baker. "You don't get that out of a book."

"There are a lot of different passions at ECU among the students, but the common thread is that they're all interested in making their communities stronger," said Loeffelman. To volunteer and begin receiving e-mails about opportunities and events, sign up at OneStop. To get a packet with all the agencies, stop by the Volunteer and Service Learning Center in Old Cafeteria Complex.

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Cuban band Tiempo Libre brings their award winning music to ECU

The Cuban music group Tiempo Libre is coming to shake things up in Wright Auditorium

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An energetic group of musicians is coming to ECU to play their original style of music for Pirates who want an authentic Cuban experience.

Tiempo Libre is a three-time Grammy-nominated group of seven classically trained musicians based out of Miami but originally from Cuba. Nine years ago, Jorge Gomez, Joaquin "El Kid" Diaz, Leandro Gonzalez, Tebello "Tony" Fonte, Cristobal Ferrer Garcia, Hilario Bell and Luis "Rosca" Beltran Castillo were reunited in Miami after leaving Cuba for several years. They all studied together at La Escuela Nacional de Arte, Cuba's premier conservatory during a time when it was illegal to listen to American music on the radio.

"All five of us spent 10 years in other countries -- Italy, Germany, Mexico," said Gomez in an article on CNN.com. "When you talk about music here in Miami... It's a small city. Everybody knows everybody. 'Hey, you know who's here? Yeah, Joaquin is here now.' And that's how we got together."

They got their start opening for Celia Cruz in front of 50,000 people at a festival in Chicago. The producers for the performance were looking for a group that no one had heard of before.

"We got lucky," said Gomez, pianist and musical director for the group.

The type of music the group plays is called timba, which is a combination of Latin jazz and traditional Cuban son. Although, according to Gomez, the seven musicians grew up

listening to all types of music including cha cha, timba, salsa, Chaka Khan and even Earth, Wind and Fire, all of which are incorporated or have some influence on their music.

The group's goal, according to their biography, is to "reinterpret and reinvigorate traditional Cuban music with a youthful, modern sound and forging a new style born from the meeting of their Cuban roots and their new American experience."

On their newest CD, "Bach in Havana," they take their classical training and mix it with their Cuban heritage to create a fusion of Bach with Afro-Cuban rhythms. Also according to their biography, Bach has been an inspiration to the members of the group since childhood, which is what led them to create an album based around his work.

All members of the group sing but each member plays a different role in creating their unique sound. Gomez is the musical director, arranger and keyboard player. Diaz sings lead vocals, Gonzales plays congas and Fonte plays electric bass. The trumpet is played by Garcia, percussion and timbales by Bell and tenor saxophone by Castillo. Tiempo Libre has worked with other famous musicians like Joshua Bell and Paquito d'Riviera. They have also performed on shows like "The Tonight Show with Conan O'Brian," "Live from the Lincoln Center" and "Dancing with the Stars." Their performances and shows are described by many as energetic and upbeat.

"Nothing short of high voltage... Tiempo Libre is a hot, hot act," said a review by Blaze, Evolution Publishing, Australia.

According to their press release, they have never had a concert where the audience did not get up and dance.

"We are crazy musicians. Dancing, singing, playing! It's



Tiempo Libre band members from left: Hilario Bell, Drums; Luis Beltran Castillo, Saxophone & Flute; Joaquin (El Kid) Diaz, Lead Vocal; Cristobal Ferrer Garcia, Trumpet; Jorge Gomez, Piano & Musical Director; Tebello (Tony) Fonte, Bass & Leandro Gonzalez, Congas.

very contagious," said Gomez.

The group has played all over the world in places like Turkey, Italy and even Hong Kong. At the end of October, they will perform in Tel Aviv in Israel. But before they travel there, the groups will be stopping by ECU to "perform and generally throw one big Cuban party" in Wright Auditorium on Oct. 18. The group says they are excited to come back to ECU and North Carolina because they always have a good time and people know their music here.

"Don't be afraid to enjoy the show, move your body and become a new Cuban," said Gomez.

Tickets are free for students at the Central Ticket Office, so come on out and join this big Cuban party.

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The need-to-know details on Tiempo Libre

- Tiempo Libre is a three-time Grammy-nominated group
- Tiempo Libre has performed on hit TV shows such as "The Tonight Show with Conan O'Brian," "Live from the Lincoln Center" and "Dancing with the Stars"
- They combine Latin Jazz and traditional Cuban styles of music
- They will be playing in Wright Auditorium on Oct. 18 at 8 p.m.
- Tickets are free to ECU students
- General admission tickets cost \$10



Men's golf takes fifth place at N.C. State

The ECU men's golf team earned a fifth-place finish at the Wolfpack Intercollegiate, which concluded Tuesday at the Lonnie Poole Golf Course on the Centennial Campus of North Carolina State University.

The Pirates shot nine-over on Tuesday to finish with a 54-hole tally of 11-over 863 (280-290-293). It was the their second top-five finish in three events during the fall season. They also finished third at the VCU Shootout a week ago.

Host N.C. State won the tournament with a three-round total of eight-under 844 (285-276-283). Duke finished in second place at four-under 848 (283-275-290), followed by Wake Forest at three-over 855 (290-277-288) and Maryland at six-over (282-283-293) in third and fourth, respectively.

The Wolfpack, Blue Devils and Demon Deacons each rank among the top 25 in the latest Golfweek.com ratings. ECU finished 10 strokes ahead of 36th-ranked UNC Wilmington in sixth place, and 15 strokes in front of Conference USA foe Memphis, who placed seventh. The Pirates were also 27 strokes better than 35th-ranked Campbell.

Individually, junior David Watkins was the Pirates' top finisher, as he tied for fifth with a two-under 211 (68-70-73). Watkins began the day tied for second at four-under, but carded a two-over to finish four strokes out of first place.

In all, the Pirates had three players finish among the top 20. Redshirt freshman Ryan Eibner posted the best finish of his ECU career with a 13th-place finish at one-over 213 (70-71-73). Junior Harold Varner, who had been the Pirates' top finisher each of the first two events, recorded his best round of the tournament with a two-under 69 Tuesday to finish tied for 19th place at three-over 216 (71-76-69).

ECU men's golf will be in action next at the Outer Banks Invitational in Nags Head, Oct. 24-25.

Wolte finishes in top 15 in the Windy City

Freshman Fanny Wolte recorded her second straight top-15 finish after carding a three-over 74 on the final day of the 2010 Windy City Collegiate Classic. The 54-hole event was being held at the par-71, 6,108-yard Northmoor Country Club. Wolte finished 14th, while recording two birdies and 11 pars Tuesday afternoon to finish 11-over 224 (78-72-74), ECU's (17-6-1) seventh place finish. In all, she had six birdies and 34 pars in her second collegiate event.

Senior Amber Littman posted her 20th career top-20 placement with a two-day score of 226 (73-74-79), which consisted of three birdies and 41 pars. Going into final round action, Littman was tied for eighth, but four bogeys on the back nine dropped her into a tie for 17th.

The Pirates will be back on the links Oct. 11-12 when they host the Lady Pirate Intercollegiate at the Greenville Country Club.

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ECU prepares for crucial game in Hattiesburg

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ECU returns to conference play on Saturday as they head down to face Conference USA East Division foe, Southern Miss in Hattiesburg, Miss. The tilt will be a showdown of two teams undefeated in conference play.

When these two teams face off against each other, people will see two teams headed in different directions. The Pirates are on a two-game losing streak and badly need to win to stay in the hunt for the conference title, while the Golden Eagles will be riding high on a four-game winning streak.

ECU is coming off its second straight double-digit loss last Saturday against North Carolina, a game in which the Pirates held a 17-14 lead midway through the third quarter but gave up 28 straight points to the Tar Heels, resulting in the final score of 42-17.

The ECU offense, which has been the strength of the program so far this year, has taken quite a few step backs since averaging 50 points in their first two games of the year. The biggest reason for the Pirates' fall in offensive success can be found in the production of the running game and the efficiency of quarterback Dominique Davis.

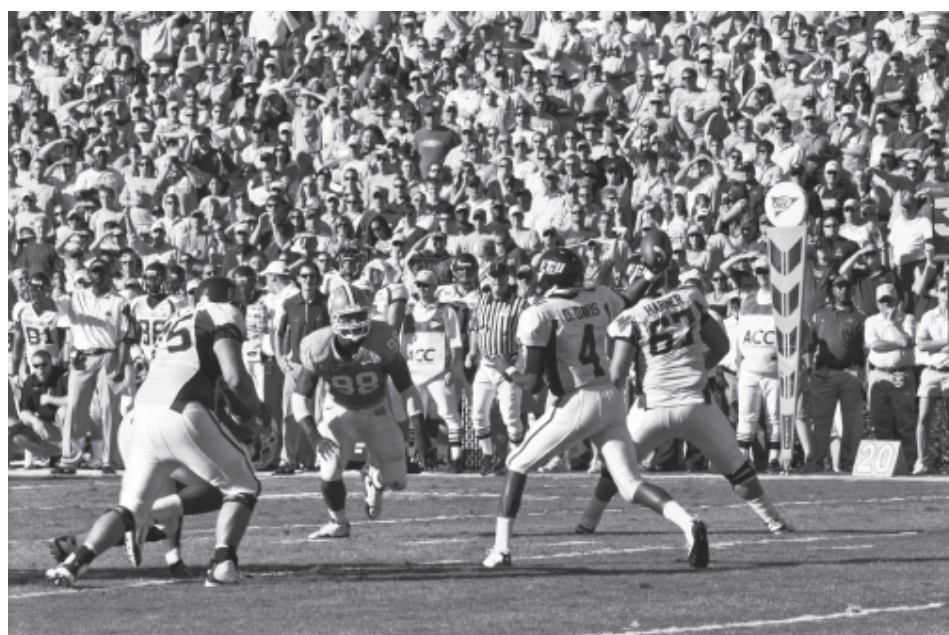
Davis, through the first two games against Tulsa and Memphis, combined to complete 55 of 85 passes for 639 yards with eight touchdowns and only one interception, while completing 64 percent of his throws.

In contrast, against Virginia Tech and UNC, Davis completed 63 of 95 passes for just 495 yards, two touchdowns and an astonishing five interceptions while completing 66 percent of his passes. While the completion percentage may be higher than the previous two outings, it is not indicative of his performance. Against the Hokies and Tar Heels, Davis' average completion netted only 5 yards, while in the first two contests the average completion went for 7 yards a catch.

The Pirates' running game, which had been so successful early in the season, has taken a giant step back in the last two ball games. Against the Tar Heels, Jon Williams rushed the ball only eight times for just 33 yards. According to ECU Head Coach Ruffin McNeill, that isn't because of a lack of trust in Williams.

"We give (quarterback) Dominique Davis the option to run or pass," McNeill said. "(Offensive coordinator) Lincoln (Riley) and I talked about it, and we'll give the ball to Jonathan more this week."

The Pirates' defense continued its struggle to keep points off the board against UNC, giving up over 400 yards of total offense, 263 of those coming on the ground, and allowing a team that aver-



Dominique Davis and the ECU offense line up against the UNC defense. The Pirates desperately need a win at Southern Miss to stay in the conference race.

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OPINION



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A friend of mine scoffed at my past mention of Russell Wilson for Heisman. While I was defending Mr. Wilson and his surprising team, the dual sport quarterback threw his second interception -- to the same person. Another friend of mine told me that I should pay more attention to a little-known running back at North Carolina. While I repeatedly asked, "Who the heck is that?" the commentators pointed out that Johnny White was averaging over 8 yards per carry. This weekend of football mostly left me in shock. Will these rankings leave you in the same condition?



1. No. 19 South Carolina (3-1): By default, South Carolina moves back into the top position of our rankings. I hate when idle teams move up just as much as the next sports fan, but the circumstances called for it. USC has yet to win a game when matched up against the nation's No. 1 team. This Saturday, the

Gamecocks welcome in No. 1 Alabama. Head Coach Steve Spurrier hopes to give the reigning national champs a better shot than his former team, Florida, did last week. A win this Saturday would not only dethrone the top team in the country, but will also give South Carolina some much needed momentum heading into the jagged portion of its schedule. **Next game: Saturday vs. Alabama**



2. North Carolina State (4-1): A 17-point second-half lead versus Virginia Tech was not enough for N.C. State to keep their glass slipper dream and unbeaten streak alive. Quarterback Russell Wilson must have mistaken Hokie cornerback Jayron Hosley as one of his own players. Out of the 24 passes he completed, three of them were to the same player on the wrong team. The Wolfpack lost 41-30, but played with spurts of greatness at times. As N.C. State collapsed, the instability of the defense showed. This past week was the first time the Wolfpack played while ranked since 2003,

but their top-25 ranking was not extensive and only lasted one week. This upcoming week pits Boston College and N.C. State in Raleigh. Their nationally eighth-ranked passing offense looks to dominate BC, who sits at fifth in ACC Standings. **Next game: Saturday vs. Boston College**



3. North Carolina (2-2): After trailing 17-14, the North Carolina Tar Heels remembered that they were early season favorites to win the ACC. North Carolina reeled off 28 unanswered points in a game that featured two Tar Heel running backs eclipsing the 100-yard mark. A 25-point win over a worthy in-state rival, East Carolina, meets the criteria of a quality win. Senior quarterback TJ Yates managed the game enough to keep his two stud running backs on the field to continuously pound the Pirate defense. North Carolina prevailed in this annual matchup for the second consecutive year. Although UNC may have started the season rocky, they are currently on a winning streak, albeit

only two games. When the Tar Heels invite Clemson into Kenan Stadium on Saturday, it is safe to say that an exciting game is to be expected. **Next game: Saturday vs. Clemson**



4. East Carolina (2-2): Booty was surrendered there past Saturday in Chapel Hill, along with three second-half touchdowns to one player. ECU gave up both and in turn fell to 0-2 in non-conference play. The Pirates struck early with a trick play that left North Carolina defenders in awe. But the rest of ECU's performance was just awful. East Carolina committed three turnovers, 13 penalties for 120 yards and only totaled 64 rushing yards. And in an attempt to keep from continuously railroading the Pirate defense, I will not mention that North Carolina gained 100 more yards of offense or that UNC was 1 yard short of two career-high rushing totals. ECU firmly grasped the game in the opening period, but faltered as the game progressed. The Pirates must regroup and stay on the road

when traveling to Hattiesburg to face top conference competitor Southern Mississippi. **Next game: Saturday at Southern Miss**



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5. Clemson (2-2): Prior to their face-off with Miami, Clemson had committed the least amount of turnovers in the ACC. The Tigers gave the pigskin away six times this past Saturday. Three fumbles and three interceptions led to Clemson's demise. While the offense played loosely with the ball, the defense also played loosely in coverage. Quarterback Jacory Harris passed for a career-high four touchdowns, with three landing in the hands of wide receiver Leonard Hankerson. If the Tigers expect to shake up the Atlantic standings, they cannot give up 20 points in the second quarter like they did at the hands of the Hurricanes. Clemson travels to North Carolina to face the Tar Heels. Both teams remain winless in the conference. **Next game: Saturday at North Carolina**

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Pirates take the starting block for a new season

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One deep inhale and the smell of chlorine fills the senses, the warmth of the air relaxes your muscles and splashing sounds tickle your ears as you prepare to witness pure aesthetic glides through the liquid blue. Swimming is a work of both art and athleticism and the ECU Pirate aquatics team will gladly walk the plank.

ECU swimming and diving teams go hand in hand with success. The Pirate Swim program has a history of delivering an impressive number of wins each season. In fact, the Pirate swimmers and divers have secured first place in the record books at ECU for having the greatest win record of all athletic teams in the purple and gold nation.

Rich in cultural diversity, high in GPA and speedy in the water, ECU's swimming and diving program embodies the

meaning of a university sport to the fullest.

Head Coach Rick Kobe has led the Pirates to triumph since 1982. As his 29th season at ECU approaches, he welcomes the team's challenging schedule with open arms. As one of the coaches in with the most wins in America, Kobe has guided the Pirates to well over 400 victories.

Coach Kobe took some time to give insight on the team.

"The strength of our team has always been the depth of our team," Kobe said. "We've got a pretty good tradition of how we train our program. We're not afraid to put ourselves out there, and at the end of the year, that makes for a more confident swimmer when it comes to the championship meet."

The swimming and diving teams completed last season with high success rates. The



The Pirates' swimming and diving teams will open their season this Friday at UNC.

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men's team finished with a 6-3 record, and the Lady Pirates swam for an impressive 9-3 record, making a combined overall 15 meets won and only six lost for the water-bound Pirates.

The women's team also had eight all-conference athletes and broke three varsity records. The men's team had six all-conference athletes and broke five varsity records. The Pirates of the men's swimming and diving teams have won 28 consecutive seasons, making the longest winning streak in the history of ECU athletics.

Topping the charts in athleticism and leadership, the captains for the men's team include Andrew Christian, Thiago Cavalcanti and returning captain from the 2009-2010 season, Andrew Stoker. For the women's team, Courtney Harris and junior Lauren Default will work together to lead the Pirates to yet another successful season.

Keep an eye out for the gracefully athletic submersion of divers Meghan Coyne, Katie Yamamoto, freshman Andrew Galvagni and

Tyler Dunsmore. These are just a few names of many distinct and impressive swimmers.

"We have good people in different events," Kobe said. "The amount of talent in the ECU aquatic athletics is nothing short of astounding, but talent won't make a great team. It takes commitment, dedication and hard work."

Coach Kobe explained what he thinks that about the drive it takes to be an athlete.

"These folks are coming in here after getting up at 4:30 every morning, and they've been doing that since they were 10 or 12 years old. It's really hard," Kobe said. "You've got chlorine in the air, and it's tough, but they're really good at it. They come in here really focused, and they have a great work ethic."

Coach Kobe described what is necessary of an athlete in the ECU swimming and diving program. "We expect everyone to work hard, and if you don't, you're not going to be around. When you come here, if you're going to swim

or dive with this team, you're going to work hard. If you work hard, you're going to reach your potential and that's our goal for everyone. You can't do that unless you work hard every day. You can't work just half a practice. You can't take a day off. I say, 'Don't waste a day. Give it everything you've got and let's get after it! No shortcuts.'"

At the end of a season, Kobe and his staff have an overall goal for their athletes.

"Academically, athletically and emotionally, we really want these folks to leave with a good feeling of what they accomplished at ECU."

ECU swimming and diving is a program that exceeds the expectations of the Pirate Nation. The hard work and commitment made by the athletes and staff is a true testament to the great potential of ECU athletics.

Be a part of the legacy by coming to support your fellow Pirates at the next home meet as they take on Davidson in Minges Aquatic Center Oct. 15, at 5 p.m.

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Running back Jonathan Williams avoiding a tackle from UNC linebacker Zach Brown. Williams will get the football more next weekend against Southern Miss.

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aged just 21 points a game to score 42. Twenty-eight of the 42 points came unanswered in the second half.

"They (UNC) got a good beat on what we were doing," cornerback Emanuel Davis said. "They lined up between the tackles. Give those guys credit."

The development of these young defensive players has been a slow process, but according to Coach McNeill, that's just the way it is.

"The only time you can develop the things we have to work on is through game experience. I wish I could do it differently, but I can't and we can't. We just have to be patient," McNeill said. "Those guys are working hard and even getting extra work. Our opponents have done a good job attacking where they should attack. But our guys will get better and improve. You have to believe in them, and I do."

ECU suffered a huge loss, not just on the scoreboard against the Tar Heels, but also as defensive end Justin Dixon tore his ACL and will miss the rest of the season.

"Dixon is a big loss. He was coming on. The things we emphasized with practice play and mentality, he was doing and had a great two weeks," McNeill said. "We had different packages to get him in the game Saturday. He's a young guy we really couldn't afford to

use, to be honest with you."

The Pirates' opponent this weekend is the 4-1 Southern Mississippi Golden Eagles, who bring back three starters on offense and nine starters on defense from a team that finished 7-6 last season.

The Golden Eagles offense boasts quarterback Austin Davis, who has completed 99 of 152 passes for 968 yards with three touchdowns as well as three interceptions through five games this season. Davis leads an offense that averages 24 points a game, but they have scored over 30 points in three of their five games this season.

In the running game, Southern Miss uses a two-back system to leave opposing defenses guessing. They are led by sophomore running back Desmond Johnson, who has carried the ball 60 times for 296 yards to go along with three touchdowns, followed by Davis, who has carried 51 times for 182 yards with four touchdowns.

"Quarterback Austin Davis is very solid. We met him at the Conference USA Media Day. He's a good player who understands the offense. It's a tempo offense, just like we play," McNeill said. "They have talented athletes. The running backs V.J. Floyd and Desmond Johnson are really good athletes with foot speed."

The defensive side of the ball

is where the Golden Eagles make their name. They return nine starters on a defense that allowed just 25 points a game last year, and so far this season they have been even better, ranking 34th in the nation and giving up just 18 points a game. Southern Miss returns their top three tacklers from a year ago, two of which recorded over 100 tackles while the third had 82.

"You can tell Southern Miss' talent on defense up front with Cordarro Law and Terrance Pope. They are really big guys inside who have great movement," McNeill said. "Korey Williams and Martez Smith, the linebackers, move around well. Those guys have been around the program and been in the system for a few years now. They do a good job for them. The best player on the back end is the safety, Justin Wilson."

The Pirates desperately need to pick up a win this weekend if they want to hang around in the hunt to be crowned C-USA East division champions and return to the conference title game once again. The good news for Pirate fans is that the issues plaguing ECU are the kind that can be fixed with more reps and better execution. Expect the Pirates to be much improved this week against Southern Miss.


ECU and Southern Miss will kick off this pivotal game at 7:30 p.m. on Saturday.

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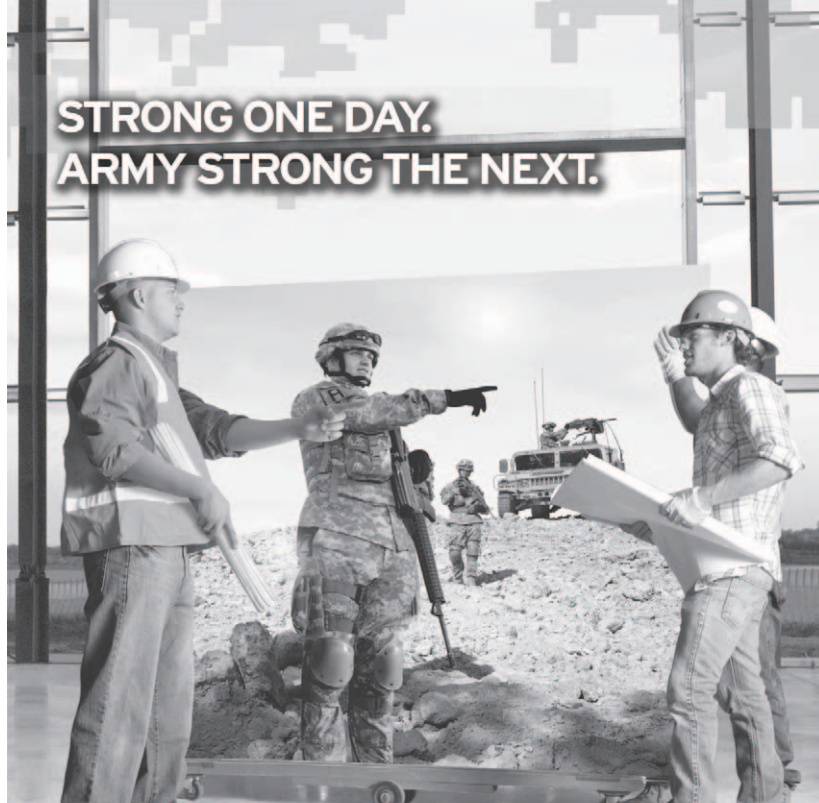
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East Carolina University

2010-2011 **Southern Circuit**
tour of Independent Filmmakers



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Free for ECU students. General admission tickets (\$5) available at the door or in advance through the Central Ticket Office, Mendenhall Student Center, 328-4788.

The 2010-2011 Southern Circuit is a program of South Arts. Southern Circuit screenings are funded in part by a grant from South Arts in partnership with the National Endowment for the Arts and local partner organizations. Special support for Southern Circuit was provided by the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences. 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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GREEK PERSONALS

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CAMPUS ANNOUNCEMENTS

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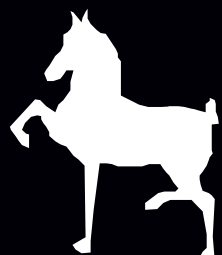
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