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BRIEFS

Relay for life holds ECU linebacker hostage

Staff Reports

Relay for Life is currently holding a fun-raising event where they have 'kidnapped' senior linebacker, Dustin Lineback for a \$10,000 ransom to be paid by November 26th.

In order for Lineback to play in his senior night game, fans must come up with the money to donate to the American Cancer Society. If anyone is interested please log on to piraterelay.com to find out more information on how to donate.

Tuition and Fees feedback requested from Students

Staff Reports

The office of student Affairs is conducting a survey that must be completed by Thursday, November 18th on the increase of student tuition and fees for undergraduates and graduates.

A mass e-mail was sent to all

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Court date rescheduled for ECU players' traffic stop

Staff Reports

A court date has been rescheduled for 22-year-old running back Giovanni Ruffin after he was arrested for a failure to appear for a traffic violation in Perquimans County.

Ruffin did not appear in court after he was stopped on speeding and no operating license charges and had 20 days from Oct. 22 to appear in court or a warrant would be served.

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Three Southern Miss players shot outside club

Staff Reports

According to police, three University of Southern Miss football players were shot during the early morning hours on Sunday after a fight broke out at a nightclub.

All three of the victims are listed in fair condition at a local hospital in Hattiesburg, Miss. Police spokesman Sgt. Allen Murray stated that linebackers Martez Smith and Tim Green and defensive end Dedrick Jones were all injured a little after 1:30 a.m.

The fight allegedly took place at Remington's Hunt Club and started inside, and eventually spilled out to the parking lot where the shooting took place.

Smith is a 22-year-old, fifth-year senior who was the team's starting middle linebacker before a knee injury ended his season last month. Jones is a 23-year-old junior and has started in all 10 games this season. Green is a 21-year-old junior who has played in seven games this season as a back up.

So, Miss had just beat previously ranked Conference USA team, UCF the night before.

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Transit bus collides with truck running red light

Abbey Way
STAFF WRITER

A truck collided with an ECU transit bus as it was leaving Christenbury Gym Nov. 8.

Transit officials said no serious injuries were reported and a witness said that the drivers and passengers appeared to be OK.

According to the police report, the truck was traveling west bound on East 10th Street when it failed to stop at a red light and collided with the bus as it was pulling out of Ormond Street.

Wood Davidson, the director of the ECU Student Transit Authority, said that the bus involved in the accident was

following another bus when the truck drove in between the two buses and hit the nose of the second bus.

David Price, 38, was on his way to work when he heard the collision occur. "I was sitting at the stop light in the right lane Eastbound, and I hear 'boom,'" Price recalled. "I look over to my

left and in the westbound lane I saw the bus pushing the silver pickup truck over into the middle of the East and Westbound lanes."

Price pulled his truck onto the sidewalk and ran to the scene to help.

"I went over to check the guy in the pickup first," Price said. "He said he was OK, just feeling

a little loopy."

Next, he went to check on the students in the bus, admitting that he was scared to see what was inside.

"There were two female students in the bus and the driver was getting out, they said they were

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Construction on new Croatan building keeps construction management majors busy and hard at work.

New Croatan building to give students more job opportunities

Jamie Harper
STAFF WRITER

"Chili's Too" is still scheduled to open on campus in January of 2011 and will provide students with many new job opportunities.

A job fair was hosted by ARAMARK food services last Thursday for students who were interested in working specifically for Chili's. The job fair gave students the opportunity to find out information about the new restaurant coming to campus in the spring semester. Interested students were also given the opportunity to fill out job applications and interview for a position while they were at the job fair. The Chili's goal is to hire an employee who is "known for your warm welcome, creative mind and great work ethic," according to their employment information.

Jessica Prim, the human resources coordinator for ARAMARK, says there is no set number of positions available for students, but their goal is to employ as many students as possible. "We really wanted students for the Chili's Too because we want it to be a young, friendly, energetic type of environment," said Prim. Wages for students will depend on the position for which they are hired and their previous experience.

Chili's will be opening in the re-modeled Croatan building on campus after various issues have pushed the opening date back. The restaurant style atmosphere will be somewhat different than a full service Chili's, but will have available seating for those who want to dine-in.

Prim explained, "Basically

Chili's Too



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Brand new Croatan is scheduled to open January 2011, and will house Chili's Too and Chick-fil-A.

you come in and order your food. Your food can be brought to your table but you may not have an assigned server. Instead of a waiter or waitress, there will be a food runner that will bring your food to you. So it's more of a 'fast casual.' Or like what you see in an airport Chili's, that's the same concept we will have available."

"Chili's Too" will have a limited menu, and there will be no

alcoholic beverages available. This is due to a North Carolina state law that prohibits alcohol sales on college campuses. ECU's code of conduct also prohibits the sale of alcohol and states, "Under no circumstances may any type of alcoholic beverages be sold by any person, organization, or corporation on the campus of the university (General Statute 18B-1006(a))." There will still be

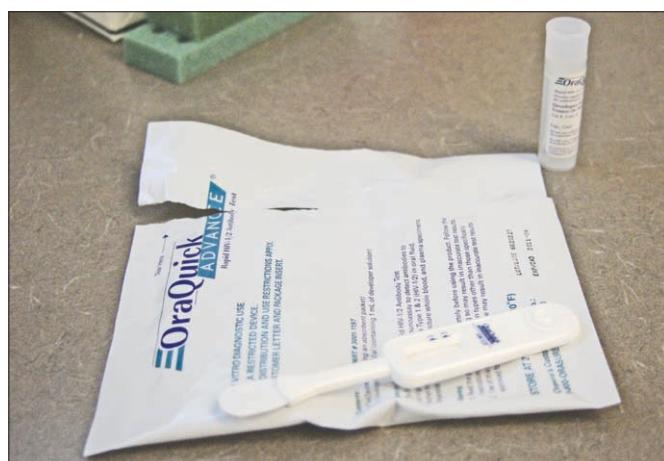
many options, just not exactly what you find in a restaurant.

The new building will not only serve as a new place for students to enjoy eating, but it is also an educational tool used for construction management majors. The Croatan will also house Chick-fil-A and include areas for faculty and staff to enjoy catered dining. It was originally torn down after officials figured

it would be cheaper to rebuild the building completely than renovate it.

"We are really excited about it. I think it's going to be a lot of fun," said Prim. There will be a grand opening event for the "Chili's Too" in January.

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World AIDS Event Series begins on campus

Hannah Jackson
STAFF WRITER

World AIDS Event Series kicked off this month with several events throughout November, all leading up to World AIDS Day on the first of December.

This week the "Be Positive,

Stay Negative" HIV testing will take place in Wright Plaza from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. ECU students can be tested for free using Oraquick, a mouth swab test, which is provided by the Brody School of Medicine's REACH Out Program. In addition to receiving your results within 20 minutes, there

will be an educational table that will teach more about prevention, testing and HIV itself.

Campus Wellness is hoping many students will take advantage of the opportunity. Student Heather Brown thinks it is a good idea for ECU to hold something like this, "It is a good way to teach because most people our age don't fully understand all the ways you can be infected, but I'm not sure many students will want to be tested in the middle of campus."

The Brody School of Medicine's approach to HIV care is done through REACH: Response through Education, Awareness, Counseling/Testing and Health Care. They use several ways to identify people living with HIV/AIDS and link them to care at BSOM. REACH Out has several educational programs for individuals and community organizations to increase HIV knowledge, promote screenings and decrease stigma toward people who are positive.

To promote the events, the Campus Recreation and Wellness advertised at the end of October

Students concerned about ECU reputation

Tyler Kitchens
FOR THE EAST CAROLINIAN

Although there have been mixed reactions to the recent arrest of rapper Wiz Khalifa following his concert at Wright Auditorium, many students agree that the situation could potentially have a negative effect on ECU's reputation.

As a result of the high-profile arrest, the university was prominently featured on several popular websites and television channels such as MTV, MTV.com and cbsnews.com.

In addition to this, the university's name was included in the title of a YouTube video of the arrest. This video, which was heavily referenced on many of the same channels and websites, contained several people yelling "free Wiz," as well as advocating marijuana use and shouting obscenities at

the police.

Senior recreational therapy major Adrienne Charleston, who witnessed the search of the tour bus and subsequent arrest, believes that the incident is not conducive to building a positive reputation for the university.

"The fact that Wiz was arrested here definitely doesn't help our reputation, and to the outside world it may look like we condone what they were doing and in reality we don't," said Charleston. "People make their own decisions and we had no control over the ones that he chose to make."

First Amendment law professor Joshua Godwin believes that although it was well within Khalifa's constitutional rights to reference illegal subject matter in

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Calendar Events

Nov. 16 - Nov. 22

Tuesday, Nov. 16

Bands Concert

7:30 to 9 p.m. at Wright Auditorium. This is a school of music event.

Laugh Out Loud - SAB Comedy Series:

Mal Hall and Kyle Grooms

8 p.m. at Mendenhall Student Center-Hendrix Theatre.

Wednesday, Nov. 17

Student Legal Services' Cell Phone Drive

10:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Wright Plaza.

Donate unused cell phones to benefit the Family Violence Center of Pitt County. Donations are tax-deductible.

Birthday celebration at Joyner Library

Collaborative Learning Center, first floor of Joyner Library, 2 to 4 p.m.

Joyner Library invites students to celebrate the birthday of Verona Joyner Langford. Cake will be served. The event is being held in conjunction with National Philanthropy Week in honor of Langford's gift to the library.

First year students shipmates program

6 to 9 p.m. Bate 1020.

Are you looking for an extracurricular activity to get involved in and just haven't found the right one yet? Come see what Shipmates is all about. The Shipmates program is an introductory to ECU's Student Government Association. In this program you will learn about all three branches (Executive, Legislative, and Judicial) and what they do. This is a yearlong program and you meet bimonthly.

WorldFest - ECU International Education Week 2010

2 to 5 p.m. at MSC Brickyard.

This event will feature a wide variety of foods and traditions from across the globe. Sponsored by the Student Activities Board.

"Breaking the Silence: HIV/AIDS"

4 to 5 p.m. at MSC Hendrix Theatre.

At this Campus Recreation & Wellness event, hear the stories of young people living with HIV and how it can affect someone's life.

Responsible for Words and Actions (Creed Week Event)

7:30 p.m. at MSC Great Rooms.

This is a wellness passport event. For more information visit www.ecu.edu/creedweek

Greek Life Leadership Speaker Series Presents Carol Mabe '70

6 p.m. at MSC Hendrix Theatre.

The Greek Leadership Speaker Series presents 2002 Outstanding Alumni Recipient and Board of Trustee Member, Carol Mabe '70

SAB presents "The Sorcerer's Apprentice"

9:30 p.m. at MSC Hendrix Theatre.

Thursday, Nov. 18

"Failing, Out of Air, and a Lost World" - ECU International Education Week 2010

7 p.m. at Topsy Teapot (409 Evans Street).

A flat mountain bike tire on a trip from Cairo, Egypt, and away in Cape Town, South Africa, miles from friends. Nine days stuck in a tent at 17,200 feet on Mt. Denali, Alaska losing yourself on the mountain. Follow three different stories as told by ECU explorers Brandi Dudley, John Fletcher and John Stowe

Poetry Reading to benefit Food Bank of ENC

8 p.m. in Room 2204, Bate Building.

N.C. poets whose work is featured in the new anthology, "The Sound of Poets Cooking," will present a benefit reading. ECU poet and English professor John Hoppenhaler has organized the reading, which will benefit the Food Bank of Central and Eastern N.C. Attendees are asked to bring a can of food (no glass) to the reading. Last year's event collected nearly 350 pounds of food.

SAB presents "The Sorcerer's Apprentice"

7 and 9:30 p.m. at MSC Hendrix Theatre.

Engaging in Citizenship (Creed Week Event)

10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Wright Place.

For more information visit www.ecu.edu/creedweek.

The Man Panel

4 to 5 p.m. at MSC Hendrix Theatre.

Presented by The East Carolinian and Health 1000. Do you have any intimate inquiries? Three ECU guys will answer all your questions on everything from love, sex and romance. No topic is taboo. All answers are honest. No BS. This is a premier passport event.

Friday, Nov. 19

ECU International Education Week 2010 - First Friends Meeting

3 p.m. at the International House.

This event is to provide information for a program that creates connections between domestic and international students through cultural, educational and social activities. This meeting will focus on planning Spring 2011 activities as well.

SAB presents "The Sorcerer's Apprentice"

7 and 9:30 p.m. at MSC Hendrix Theatre.

The Ethnographers, The Future is Me and American Joy

7-11 p.m. at MSC Pirate Underground.

Expression magazine presents the free event! You can play pool, ping pong, video games and enjoy a free show.

(Friday, Nov. 19 cont.)

Women's Volleyball vs. Southern Miss

5 p.m.

Women's Basketball vs. UNC Wilmington

8 p.m.

PRSSA Student Social

9 p.m. at The Other Place.

Saturday, Nov. 20

Adapted Sports Day

9 a.m. to 7 p.m. at the Student Recreation Center.

Adapted Sports Day introduces individuals with and without disabilities to a wide variety of adapted sports.

SAB presents "The Sorcerer's Apprentice"

7 and 9:30 p.m. at MSC Hendrix Theatre.

Sunday, Nov. 21

Oceana, My Epic, and The Ethnographers

Doors at 6:30 p.m., show at 7 p.m. at The Boiler Room

Women's Volleyball vs. Tulane

2 p.m.

Monday, Nov. 22

Women's Basketball vs. Virginia Union

5 p.m.

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students from the ECU Administration asking for them to participate in this survey, and let school officials know how they feel about having to pay more money.

The Board of Trustees will meet to discuss proposed tuition and fee increases and will take into account any feedback students give on the proposed amounts. For Fall 2011, potential fee increase include: undergraduate residents between \$567-\$1067, undergraduate non-residents between \$1072-\$1,572, graduate residents between \$527-\$1,027, and graduate nonresidents between \$634 and \$1,134.

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his music, he erred in his decision to use these substances on campus.

"News accounts, in The Daily Reflector for example, indicated that the performer and his entourage were warned not to possess or indulge in illegal drugs while in town for this engagement," said Godwin. "This should have been sufficient for any responsible party to conclude that adapting his or her behavior was both reasonable and necessary to avoid legal repercussions as the authorities were obviously on the alert."

This incident does not mark the first time that ECU has found itself in the spotlight in the past year over a controversial subject.

In April, the university was

ranked number five among Playboy Magazine's top party schools. This publication is still one of the most popular men's magazines in circulation, selling an average of 1.5 million copies per issue.

The release of the issues was the fifth time the list was published in the magazine's history, and the second time that ECU has made this list since 2002.

Senior criminal justice major William Troy said that the publicity garnered from these events is counterproductive to the efforts of people on campus who are doing things that are beneficial to the university's reputation.

"There are a lot of students and faculty doing positive things that

we should be emphasizing, but it's harder to promote it when we're in the national news for Wiz Khalifa's arrest or receiving attention for the parties that go on here," said Troy.

Troy also stated that he believes these incidents could potentially have negative consequences for ECU regarding future students.

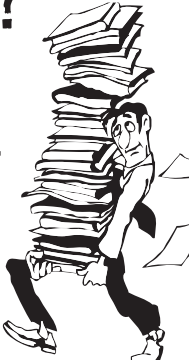
"If I was a prospective student and I saw a school I was thinking about attending in the news for the wrong reasons, I'd definitely have to take it into account when deciding where I wanted to go," said Troy.

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Ruffin was also arrested back in March with former running back Brandon Jackson for being intoxicated and disruptive resisting, obstructing and delay. Jackson was removed from the team stemming from previous instances; Ruffin was suspended.

According to a comment left on a story on Ruffin's arrest left by Ruffin himself, he states, "My uncle died this past week and I had to go straight home in order to be

there for my family and my mother who is ill with Lupus. During this stressful time, the court date slipped my mind."

Head football coach Ruffin McNeill stated after last Tuesday's practice that Ruffin would still play in the game against UAB and that his reason for missing his court date was because of the death of his uncle.

His court date has been rescheduled for Jan. 5, 2011.

The East Carolinian and Health 1000 present



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Thursday Nov. 18

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PREMIER PASSPORT EVENT

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OK," Price recalled.

According to Price, a nearby bus driver came over to help and called the police, but besides her everyone else just watched.

"I was the only one who got out to see if they were OK," Price said. "It was just a shame that none of those people came over to help and it could have been filled with a ton of hurt people."

Although there were no serious injuries reported, there was significant damage done to the bus.

To be exact, Davidson said that the total estimated cost for repair is \$37,154.58.

"When we are hit by someone else's negligence, they are responsible for the damages," Davidson said.

In addition to the damages of the bus, the accident resulted in delays and re-routing the normal schedule Monday morning.

"Whenever we encounter something like that, we typically see some kind of delay," Davidson said. He added that the overall delay was about 15 minutes at most of the stops.

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at other events and handed out bags with informational flyers and red ribbons for awareness. Earlier in November, there was also another free testing at Wright Plaza, a fun and educational bingo game and a movie screening of "The Cure" about an 11-year-old boy who acquires AIDS through a blood transfusion.

Later this week there will be a panel of guest speakers titled "Breaking the Silence: HIV and AIDS," who are all HIV positive and will share their stories of living with the disease and how it not only affects their lives, but the people around them. "Breaking the Silence" will be held on Thursday at Hendrix Theater from 4 to 5:30 p.m.

On Dec. 1, students and the surrounding community are invited to come out, wear red and show

Davidson said that dealing with collisions is part of the business.

"We drive about a million miles in a year, so we are more susceptible to being in an accident," Davidson said.

According to Davidson, an accident occurs about every 35,000 miles.

"It puts it in perspective for most people, because you think about how much you drive your own automobile," Davidson said.

He said that although accidents like this do occur, students should not be concerned about their safety.

"From my perspective, you should be more concerned about riding in your own vehicle than a bus," Davidson said. He also said that the buses are designed to keep passengers safe and that the drivers receive a significant amount of training.

The bus is currently out of service but repairs will soon be underway.

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support in a remembrance walk around the mall of campus. "Run in Red will meet at the MSC Brickyard to make a human ribbon along with a candlelight vigil and moment of silence," said Ashley Robinson, who is in charge of planning and implementing events for the series. It serves as a way to remember those that have lost their lives from HIV/AIDS or for those that are still living as well as their families. Run in Red will begin promptly at 5 p.m. on Dec. 1 at Mendenhall Brickyard.

There are 34,795 cumulative cases of AIDS in the United States in the age group of 20 to 24 years old. The World AIDS Event Series is sponsored by Campus Recreation and Wellness, Brody School of Medicine REACH Out Program, ECU Student Health Service and ECU Student Activities Board. This series will help students and the community be more informed on preventing and understanding the virus HIV and AIDS.

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My professor canceled class today to avoid crying in front of HIS students after one of them b****ed him out. I ran to a computer to be the first to make it a pirate rant.

To the red head that somehow manages to sit behind me no matter where I move to in a class of 300: please shut up! I don't want to hear u talk about all the positions you and your boyfriend tried last night!

If I can hear your music from your iPod across the classroom, it is entirely too loud!

Who ever created the Q&A game on Facebook should be ran over by a bus multiple times.

I cannot concentrate on what the teacher is saying, I'm too occupied with everyone's constant sniffing.

Stop calling us: Fags, Queers, Dykes, Flamers, Butch. And, start calling us EQUAL!

Each time I hear someone complain about having to pull ONE all-nighter a semester, I want shake them silly. Switch places with any art student for a single week, and you'll have several more all-nighters under your belt. If you hate staying up doing work for your major so much, what makes you think you'll love any job you get with it?

Whenever someone tells me they're doing good, I want to say "No, Superman does good, you're doing well. Learn your grammar."

WTH happened to chivalry? I love how all of these guys practically knock down the girls to get a seat on the bus. I'm going to kick your ass next time.

Dear couple on the Bellamy bus Wednesday afternoon: It's nice that you guys are in love and all, but save your affection for when you get back to your apartment it's only a 15 minute bus ride you can wait and NOBODY WANTS TO SEE THAT. Thank you, Bellamy bus riders.

Would you stop raising your hand and asking stupid questions? She was clearly about to let us out early. This is not middle school, and you can save your questions for after class.

To the obnoxious girl in my sports survey class: can you please shut up! Stop getting up to get entire meals and answering your phone in the middle of class? Rude.

Roommate, you lie so much about everything. Even drinking my soda! I'm surprised you can keep all these tangled webs of lies in check. I'm not as stupid as you think I am--or as stupid as you obviously are.

I saw an Ugg Slut wearing leggings...they're evolving!

To the person condemning the Greene Hall resident that peed in the shower: We all pee in the shower sometimes. DON'T TRY TO ACT LIKE YOU DON'T.

More Pirate Rants on the website!



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Legal pirates are sexier



Ben Cochran
OPINION COLUMNIST

Everyone loves music. There's no denying it. But perhaps we've gotten a little too cavalier in our methods for procuring our preferred melodies.

There's no doubt we've probably been a little desensitized to petty crimes when it comes to music downloading. Over the years, one of the largest free software applications used for both legal and illegal downloading of copyrighted material has been Limewire.

Limewire was launched in 2000 as a Peer-to-Peer file-sharing network. Limewire is the second most downloaded program on Download.com. It is what's known as an open source software, which means that they are dedicated to the principles of free software exchange and allowing users to obtain, change and redistribute program code. Said differently, they're a bunch of communists with no comprehension of property rights.

With this software, users have been able to download millions of songs, TV shows, movies and other files. But on Oct. 26, there was a legal injunction filed against Limewire by several record

labels, effectively shutting down Limewire for the foreseeable future.

I don't care how much money pop-artists are making these days. I know it is obscenely grotesque, and that in the time it takes them to order an orange-mocha-pumpkin-spice-frappuccino latte hazelnut twist, they could probably make more money than I could ever hope to make in my entire life. Be that as it may, it is still their money. They have earned it by producing songs. By what right do we have to take it from them? On what standard to we base our sense of entitlement?

I know you're thinking, "Oh but it was just a few songs, they'll never miss the money." While that may be true in effect, it is grotesque in principal. You're probably the same people that let your dogs crap in other people's yards. Despicable, you are.

Frankly, I'm amazed that it took the record labels 10 years to put together a legal injunction on Limewire. But I'm glad that they finally did. All this talk about anti-pirate laws has been kind of cheap without any sort of punitive damages. Now that Limewire is going down, perhaps we'll take it a little more seriously.

I mean, those anti-piratic warnings at the beginning of movies aren't listing the contraindications for fever reducers. It is the government cautioning you about the consequences of stealing. These aren't just idle threats. When the government has a mind to put down pirates, the

government will surely do so.

Or have we so quickly forgotten that 76-35 drubbing that Navy handed us a few weeks ago? Or perhaps you missed the tale of how the Navy seized the five Somali pirates who opened fire on the USS Nicholas, the 453-foot frigate earlier this year?

This is not a new phenomenon; the government has always had a firm stance against piracy. Back in 1718, Virginia Governor Alexander Spotswood ordered First Lieutenant Robert Maynard on a "seek and destroy" mission to apprehend the most famous of all pirates: Blackbeard. After they sank Blackbeard's ship near Ocracoke, N.C., they decapitated the pirate and hung his head from the bowsprit.

Now I'm not saying that you should have your head chopped off if you've ever illegally downloaded a song in your life. But I am saying that if you have engaged in such piratical actions, this injunction against Limewire goes a long way toward stopping your egregious behavior.

Besides, we don't need to pillage and plunder, or illegally download music to call ourselves pirates. We already bleed purple and gold from the instant we got our acceptance letters. So stop committing unnecessary crimes — or else we'll never be able to beat Navy.

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Lets talk about sex



Kelly Nurge
PUBLIC EDITOR

Should I be mad at my boyfriend for watching porn all the time or should I just let him do his thing? What do guys really think of girls who will sleep with them when you first meet them? What are men thinking about when they have sex? Are fake boobs a turn on?

Do you have any similar intimate questions you don't want to ask your friends? Ask some young, witty male experts instead. Come hang out and talk about sex.

TEC and Health 1000 are hosting a Premier Passport Event this Thursday. The Man Panel will be held at Hendrix Theater in Mendenhall Student Center from 4 to 5 p.m.

The Man Panel is comprised of Shane Small, Gordon Ingram and Zach Cooper, who are willing to answer anything and everything you throw at them. Whether it's about sex, love or relationships, they will give you an honest answer, no BS.

Last year, The Man Panel drew a crowd of over 500 guests. Since it's a Premier Passport Event, Hendrix Theater will fill up quickly, so be sure to get there early. With TEC's added sponsorship and promotion, we are hoping the theater will be even more packed.

Some classes, other than

Health 1000, are also giving credit for going, so see if your professor is interested. Also, come with a few questions in mind. We will be offering written questions, as well as the opportunity to ask them a question face-to-face. Don't hold back or feel shy; this will be a completely open forum.

This is the first year TEC is involved in co-hosting an event, and we're hoping it will be a lasting tradition. In addition to co-hosting the event, we're also giving the guys a new column. While we all loved to read Vivian Stockton's sex and relationship column last year, The Man Panel is offering a new perspective. Rather than advice, the men are offering three different points of view on one topic.

To submit preliminary questions for either the event on Thursday or for their new column, send an e-mail with your question to opinion@theeastcarolinian.com. Remember, don't hold back with your questions. The raunchier the question, the better.

We look forward to our readers coming out to our first major event, meeting our new columnists, submitting questions and becoming more involved with TEC. We strive to continuously connect with you.

So head over to Hendrix Theater on Nov. 18 from 4 to 5 p.m. for a fun, informative, hilarious and sexy event sponsored by TEC and Health 1000.

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Wiz follows green brick road to jail

Before hitting the stage at Wright Auditorium last Monday, Wiz Khalifa tweeted about having a smoke in Greenville.

Although his arrest for marijuana has sparked a lot of publicity and heated discussions, is it really such a shock that he was charged?

The Waken Baken Tour is not even subtle about the insinuation that tour members are "baking during the tour." ECU should have looked more into the performer that they were bringing to the university. Even though the students petitioned for Wiz to come, he could have played somewhere off campus, because ultimately the campus was put at risk.

Wiz did not take the situation seriously and kind of mocked the circumstances with his tweet "jail sucks...going to sup dogs."

Khalifa is only 22 years old (probably naïve), but he got what was coming to him. Wiz openly talks about his pastime and has marketed his own rolling papers; did he not think he would be closely watched?

How is it that Ludacris performed recently but did not get arrested? Ludacris is 33 years old and does not update Twitter within minutes of each tweet, which involves marijuana references.

Who cares if artists relax in different ways? You don't have to be a fan of their habits to be a fan of their music. However, when illegal habits are publicized, artists are asking for trouble.

Why is it that real alcoholics and potheads hardly flaunt their addictions? Maybe because they don't want to be bothered or they are content with not getting categorized as "the stoner" or "the alchy." Wiz is clearly a fan of drawing attention to himself to solidify his reputation.

The Greenville Police Department doesn't have the best rap of fairness, especially involving petty crime, but obviously 60 grams of marijuana will create a potent smell that would be impossible to mask. Wiz should not have been surprised. Because of the Wiz, ECU will check backgrounds more closely.

Khalifa's background aided in the reasoning behind his arrest, but it could have also prevented his presence from ECU. Why bring him here when it was inevitable that a stunt like this would occur? Whether the rumors are accurate about the entire incident "being staged" or not, "Easy-U" has yet another reputation.

Scribbles to the Captain

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Dear Editor,

I would love for the smoking ban to be enforced better, because I hate having to break through clouds of smoke as I'm trying to get to my classes. On the other hand, I would like to know how much these gazebos are going to cost everyone. Why should I have to pay for something to support someone else's disgusting habit because they can't follow a simple rule? No one is going to support installing places to do a line for students with a coke habit. That's a little ridiculous, but so is the idea of me paying more tuition to help the smokers stay dry and clean in a designated gazebo because they can't keep away from a building. Are there going to be non-smoking gazebos? It's only fair, after all.

-Caitlin

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DID YOU KNOW?

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The first man to distill bourbon whiskey was a Baptist preacher in 1789.

In 1989, Pepsi came out with a morning soft drink called Pepsi AM. It didn't last long on the market.

Eating raw onions is good for unblocking a stuffed nose.

The oldest known vegetable is the pea.

The only real food U.S. astronauts are allowed in space are pecan nuts.

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

The Bloody Mary is known as the "Queen of Drinks" and was invented in Harry's bar in Paris in the 1930s.

Coke is used to clean up blood spills on highways.

The glue on Israeli postage stamps is certified kosher.

Nutmeg is extremely poisonous if injected intravenously.

Chewing gum while peeling onions will keep you from crying.

Some people drink the urine of pregnant women to build up their immune systems.

The liquid in young coconuts can be used as a substitute for blood plasma in an emergency.

The Southern dish "chitlins" is made up of pigs' small intestines.

Yogurt intake among North Americans has quadrupled in the past 20 years.

The world's number one producer and consumer of fresh pork is China.

The English word "soup" comes from the Middle Ages' word "sop," which means a slice of bread over which roast drippings were poured.

Beijing boasts the world's largest Kentucky Fried Chicken restaurant.

Potatoes were first imported by Europe in the 1500s on Spanish ships returning from Peru.

Astronauts are not allowed to eat beans before they go into space because passing wind in a space suit damages it.

Japan is the largest exporter of frogs' legs.

China's Beijing Duck Restaurant can seat 9,000 people at one time.

China produces 278,564,356,980 eggs per year.

The first Western consumer product sold in the former Soviet Union was Pepsi Cola.

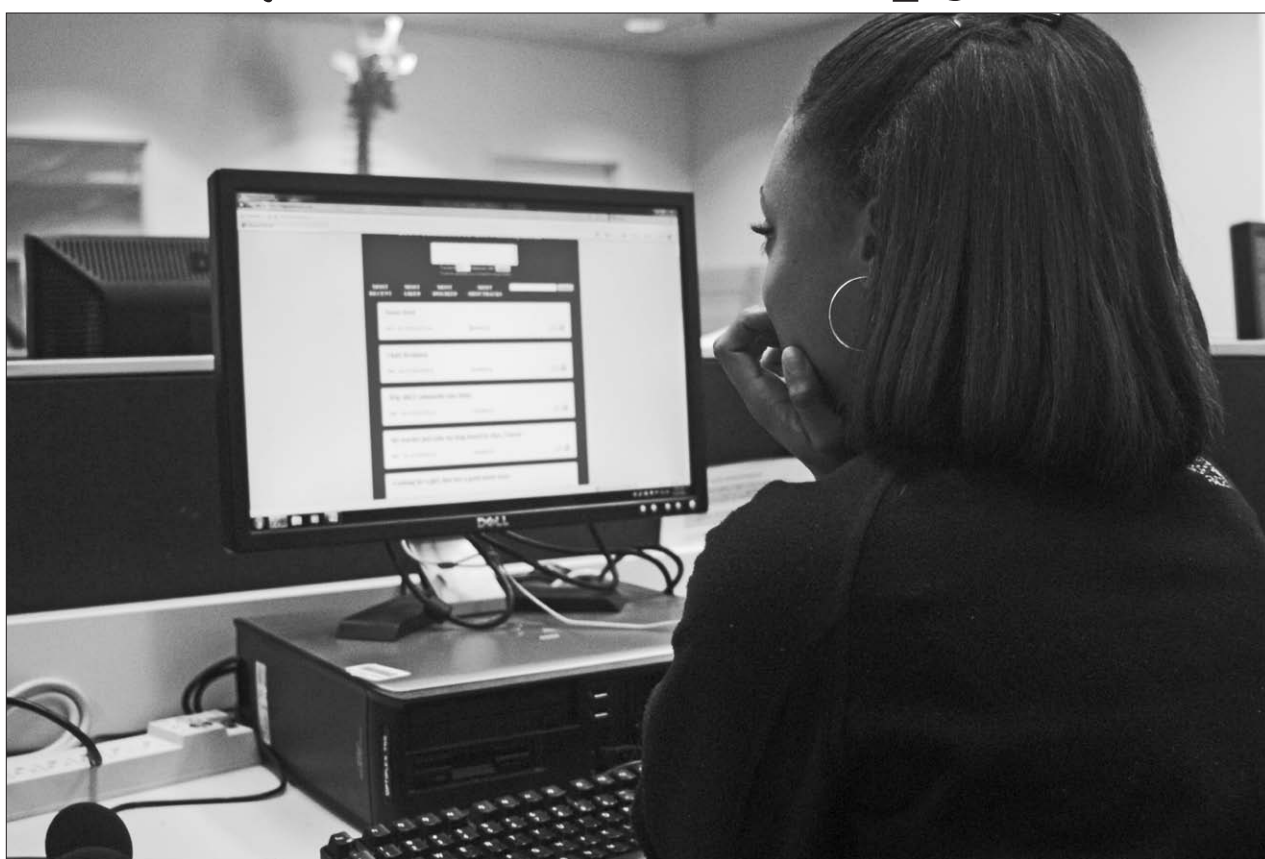
Diet Coke was only invented in 1983.

There is a town in Texas called Ding Dong.

There is a resort town in New Mexico called Truth or Consequences.

There was once a town named 6 in West Virginia.

Do you have a Shipyard Shout?



Sophomore international business major Nicole Sayers checks the Shipyard Shouts website at Joyner Library.

Madonna Messana
STAFF WRITER

Ever felt like you needed an outlet at ECU to express yourself and relate to other students? Well, a new website created by ECU students provides a fun and interactive way for students to speak their minds. ShipyardShouts.com was created by Peter Benoit and Sean Lambert, senior computer science majors at ECU.

"In computer science we make programs, not websites," Benoit explains, "and we both wanted an opportunity to learn how to make a web program that also has the ability to be beneficial

for the students to use."

Today's generation is very technology friendly. Several Internet sites provide entertainment for students by having other students send in things — Shipyard Shouts does this in a way that is directed toward ECU student use.

"There are obviously similarities to 'FML' and 'TFLN' (websites that allow users to anonymously submit their thoughts and rants), but they didn't even cross our minds when we were thinking about making the website," said Lambert.

Benoit and Lambert said the purpose of creating the site was just to have fun while learning

something new, and they wanted to develop their skill base outside of the classroom. Their goal is to build up the site and eventually develop something even bigger.

"We've always been trying to think of something big, something that people around the country will use," said Benoit. "We're still trying to think of that idea. We wanted to make a smaller website, something easy that we could learn from so that in the future when we come up with that idea, we can get right to work."

However, for now, Shipyard Shouts is readily accessible for ECU students. It allows users to make anonymous posts to be read

by fellow users. Users can like and dislike posts as well as reply to shouts by using the "shout back" option on the site.

"The site was designed to be a completely open forum," explained Lambert. "We are not censoring anything unless it pertains to a person's private information. It's that person's right to have that (information) kept private."

"If we started to censor completely anonymous shouts, that would ruin our reputation of being 100 percent uncensored," said Benoit.

The creators explained that the site log tracks the IP address of users, but only the administra-

tors are able to see them. With IP addresses, the most personal information that can be found is the user's Internet service provider.

Benoit and Lambert plan to add to Shipyard Shouts over the holiday breaks — improving on what they already have.

"We're still going to add to it," said Benoit. "We're going to add a lot of functionality to it. It's definitely going to be a very evolving website."

Lambert added, "We will definitely support it, as long as people continue to visit the site."

The site is being targeted toward students in Greenville, particularly ECU students, but students from other schools are able to gain access to the site.

"I have found myself on (Shipyard Shouts) quite often in the last week or so," said Dave Sichi, senior computer science major. "It's interesting to see a constant flow of Pirate thoughts."

According to the website, Shipyard Shouts is "100 percent uncensored and 100 percent anonymous." The site also features a terms of use link which states that all content posted gives the administrators permission to use such content in "any way their hearts desire."

At the bottom of the Shipyard Shouts page there is a statement informing users that "all comments posted here are to be taken as works of fiction. Only a fool would think otherwise." The creators are aiming for a fun and friendly website for ECU students to use.

"A man is least himself when he talks in his own person. Give him a mask and he'll tell you the truth," Lambert stated, quoting Oscar Wilde.

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A British company is in the final stages of creating a cell phone app that tests users for STIs.

New smartphone app tests for STIs

Lynsey Horn
STAFF WRITER

Smartphones are becoming an essential part of the American lifestyle. A Smartphone can do anything a computer can do and more, but now researchers are taking it to a whole new level. Health officials are developing a new phone application that allows users to test their urine or saliva for sexually transmitted diseases.

The research team at St. George's University of London, which is creating this application, is calling it Electronic Self-Testing Instruments for Sexually Transmitted Infections, or eSTI2.

According to the British newspaper The Guardian, £4 million or \$6.5 million in funding has been put into this research.

"People who suspect they have been infected will be able to put urine or saliva on to a computer chip about the size of a USB chip, plug it into their phone or computer and receive a diagnosis within minutes, telling them which, if any, sexually transmitted infection they have," The Guardian reported.

The goal of the application is to reduce STD rates by making people more aware of when they have contracted them. The app will also allow

people to avoid the embarrassment of visiting a doctor or a clinic.

"Your mobile phone can be your mobile doctor. It diagnoses whether you've got one of a range of STIs, such as Chlamydia or gonorrhea, and tells you where to go next to get treatment," said Tariq Sadiq, senior lecturer and consultant physician, who is leading the research project.

Britain is said to have some of the highest STI rates in Western Europe, but what about in America, or Greenville?

According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, there are approximately 19 million new STD infections in America each year and almost half of them are among the age group of 15 to 24 years old.

From January to September 2010, there were 1,364 reported cases of Chlamydia and close to 400 cases of Gonorrhea in Pitt County, according to the North Carolina HIV/STD Quarterly Surveillance Report produced by the Communicable Disease Surveillance Unit.

In counties with similar population such as Robeson, Onslow and New Hanover, the number of reported cases was much lower.

However, before this STD

test makes its way to ECU, there are a few areas that need to be finalized before the chips can be sold. For example, the product now requires blood to test rather than urine, and it also requires sending a picture to a physician to receive a diagnosis. The products will not be sold in this condition. Researchers are working to create a product that is user friendly. They are not certain about whether or not to include an HIV test, especially not in the versions of the product that will be sold in vending machines. The current prototypes cost around \$15 to \$30, but researchers plan to sell them for \$3 anywhere condoms are sold.

Ben Popper, writer for New York publication The Daily Transom, had another idea for the test.

"If it's really that simple, why wait 'till after the deed is done? Wouldn't it make more sense for prospective partners to swap fluids beforehand, get a reading on their cell phones and then decide whether or not to 'finish the download?'" said Popper. With this new app, Popper's suggestion should be completely plausible, therefore hopefully eliminating the high rate of STDs in Pitt County.

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New bag: Stylish and convenient

Madonna Messana
STAFF WRITER

The average girl's closet contains countless articles of clothing, several pairs of shoes and handbags of all sorts of shapes, sizes and colors. To girls, this is a magnificent obsession of fashion, but to males, it is just "way too much stuff."

When it comes to handbags, it can be frustrating changing out one for another — just to match a mood or outfit. Miche Bags were discovered in the fall of 2004 by Michelle Romero, who became frustrated after spilling something on her handbag. Miche Bags are bags that have interchangeable covers — one to match every look and every mood.

The Miche Bag idea started with a spill, ruining creator Michelle Romero's favorite handbag. From there, a revolutionary idea of purses was created. The Miche Bag is a great accessory for purse lovers, as well as anyone who just likes to match all of her accessories to her outfit. The Miche Bag designer, Jenny Platt, comes up with new ideas and designs each month — keeping the Miche Bag possibilities endless.

"It's the perfect economical solution to having a bag match your mood or outfit," said Maureen Mead, Miche Bag distributor in Southern Pines, N.C. "Plus, men love them, because when we say 'oh, I forgot to change my bag' they know they only have to wait a few seconds — not 30 minutes!"

Miche Bags are available in a small base bag, as well as in a large base bag. The base bag is primarily used, and shells can be purchased to go over the bag, changing only the outside. The credit card safe magnetic design holds the shell in place over the base bag; the shells can be attached and detached in seconds — creating multiple looks!

"I was never one to change bags, because it took too much forethought and planning, and even then if I did I would accidentally leave my glasses, an important receipt, or my favorite lipstick in the old bag," said Mead. "Now, I can match my bags to my moods and outfits — and I am so often complimented on them! Plus, in this economy it is so smart!"

After purchasing the bag, replacing the outside of the bag can be done so instantly; multiple shells can be purchased for as little as \$20 apiece, Mead continued.

Miche Bags are usually sold through distributors and sales representatives through the company. However, Miche Bags are also available in Greenville at Artisans just off Evans Street. All of the products can also be found and ordered at www.micheinthepines.com.

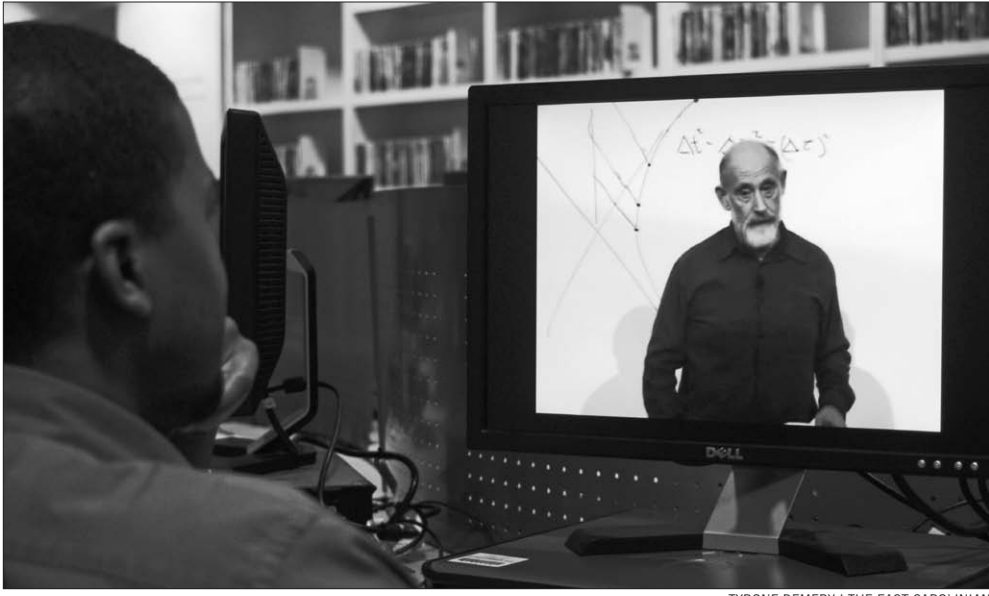
"As a distributor, I have sales representatives that work under me and are the direct link to the customer," explained Mead. "I love being able to help make someone's life a little bit more fun, and the freedom it gives some of these women — whether it's as a second income to help their family, or just something to bring a bit more joy into their lives."

Abegayle Neri, junior business marketing major, said she loves the Miche Bag because it is very practical, and "it's great for the girl on the go because you have one bag that you can keep everything in, and the only thing you have to do to switch up the look is change the cover!"

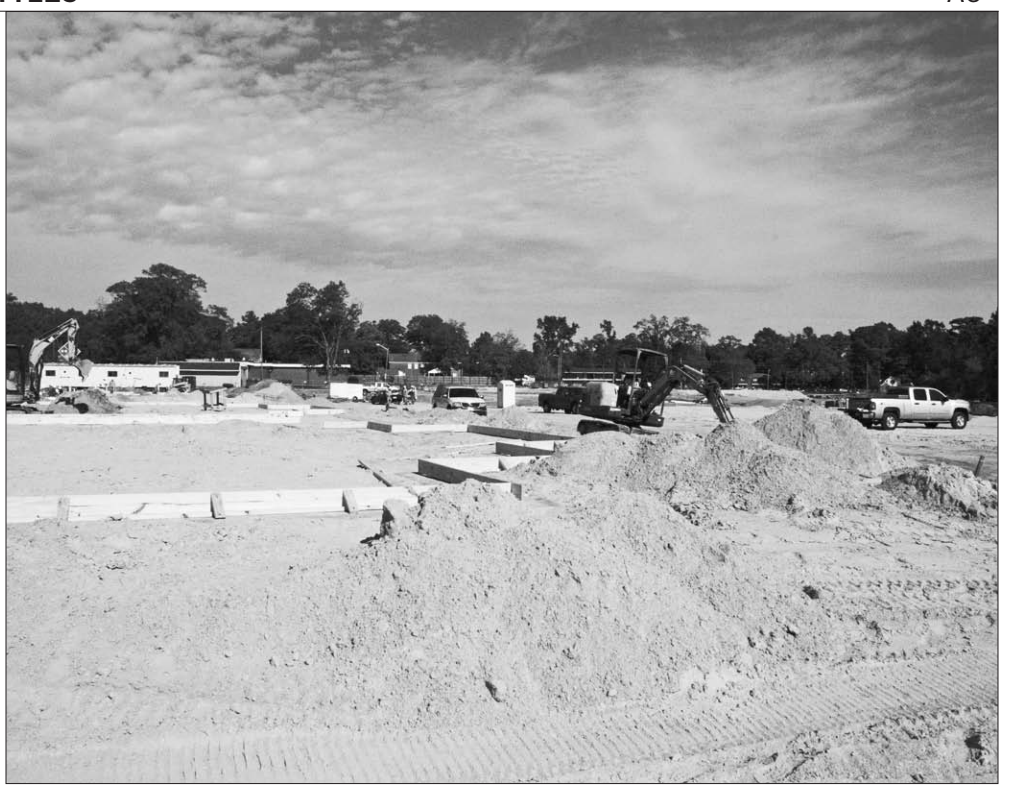
For students looking to switch to a convenient and more organized bag, visit www.micheinthepines.com and take a look at Miche's trendy options for the perfect handbag.

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Advanced technology is becoming prevalent for university classes



MBA graduate student Ryan Thurmond follows a Stanford Cosmology course via YouTube podcast.



A new ECU apartment complex in the process of being built near the corner of Charles Blvd and 14th St

'The Province' comes soon to Greenville

'The Province' offers students new and unique housing options

Alexandra O'Halloran
ASSISTANT LIFESTYLES EDITOR

Looking for a new place to live next year, but not sure where to start? Well, The Province, an apartment complex that is going to be built in the upcoming months, may be a choice to look into. With about 28,000 students and climbing, there is a constant need for an abundance of student housing, and this particular complex will have a prime location. It will be on Charles Street next to Domino's, and it is walking distance from Dowdy-Ficklen Stadium and Joyner Library.

Carolyn Clements, the director of marketing for this particular project, said she thinks the location and the great product would be what would appeal to students most.

"We're really lucky with our location. I think students will really like that," Clements said.

This particular company also has many amenities within its complexes to appeal to students.

Tenants can live in anything from a solo apartment to a quartet, and prices vary depending on the options. Clements said they usually start at

about the \$530 rate for shared apartments, and the solo apartment is usually more around the \$800 range.

The complex includes a pool with a sun and party deck, a media and gaming theater that has stadium seating, a clubhouse with a theater, poker tables, a foosball table, a game room with PS3, Wii and Xbox, a billiard table, a lounge, a state-of-the-art fitness center, tanning beds and a computer room.

These amenities, particularly the unique theater and movie library that they will have, are what Carolina Herrera, assistant manager for the Greenville location of The Province, thinks make their property special.

"Our movie library is great because students don't have to go to Blockbuster and rent," she said. "No late fees!"

She also noted that the apartments themselves are special, "The quality of our apartments is wonderful."

They offer individual leases, private bedrooms with private bathrooms, full kitchens with a refrigerator, oven, microwave and dishwasher, individuals locks, washer and dryer, Internet and cable, a panic button in each bedroom, 24-hour emergency maintenance and they come fully furnished.

Clements said she also thinks the nice leather furniture and the 9-foot ceilings with crown molding really do make

a difference. "When they see it, they really will see a difference in quality," she said.

Herrera agreed, "Parents will see it and say 'Wow!'"

Herrera and Clements have been spending time in Greenville interviewing people to work at The Province when it opens in August.

Clements said, "We use a great number of students for help." She noted that when the property is open, it will consist of the property manager, assistant manager Carolina Herrera and a lot of student help.

They are also already accepting early leases for students who want to get a head-start on their living situation for next year, and Clements noted that they have received a few already.

However, there is room for about 700 students in the complex, and they will continue to accept applications in the coming months and when the complex is built.

Clements said they are excited to be here and they are here to support the university in any way they can. Herrera added, "Go Pirates!"

To find out more about The Province, visit greenville.livetheprovince.com, and for leasing inquiries, e-mail Greenville@livetheprovince.com.

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Is it important for students to meet face-to-face in the classroom anymore?

Alexandra O'Halloran
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A survey conducted in August by Intercall, a conferencing and collaboration service provider, asked the question of whether college education should continue to be more technology-based. The researchers surveyed 504 college students from the ages of 18 to 25 throughout the nation. They discovered that the majority of the students have had at least one class in which a professor used web streaming.

While this is a small sample, technology is changing the way students learn every day, and this is evident at ECU. While many face-to-face professors still reserve lectures for in-class time, they are making use of different Blackboard features, and many distance education professors use podcasts and various advanced forms of technology.

Cindy Elmore, a journalism professor in the communication department at ECU, teaches some courses, such as Basic Reporting, in the online public relations degree.

Elmore says she likes to use different technology for her courses. "I started out using podcasts tied to the PowerPoint," she said.

She explained that this worked well because students could hear her voice through the lecture, but she had to audibly tell them when to change slides. That's when she decided to use a technology called Camtasia that ECU supports.

She said this technology allows her to put her slides up with her voice and it will sync together so she does not have to tell her students to change it.

Richard Davis, a distance education student in the public relations program who has taken classes from Elmore, said he likes the use of podcasts because it makes a big difference to have a person there.

"It makes it feel like you're in a real-life classroom," he said.

However, Davis said he doesn't think it matters what technology is used, but rather how well they use it.

"My experience with distanced instructors is that they can be just like in class — some are good and some are bad," Davis said.

On the other hand, Elmore believes that technology-based online students will not be successful unless they are self-motivated.

"I don't think that it's for everybody," Elmore said of strictly online distance education courses.

She said that she has had students that were in one of her face-to-face classes and then one of her online classes, and they didn't do as well in the online class as in the face-to-face class because they needed that interaction.

"I think some students just need

the requirement to keep them on task," Elmore said and explained that in her online classes she really leaves it up to the students to do their work, while trying to provide them with as much help and information as they would get in a face-to-face class.

So, the argument about online teaching through the use of advanced technology is complex. Many of the students surveyed at various universities believe that face-to-face interaction is becoming unnecessary and there are more benefits to online courses.

According to the Intercall survey, 63 percent of students surveyed say that they like that they had the ability to "attend" class even when they weren't physically in one place. Students also cited the benefits of not having to get dressed to go to class, being able to exercise more, being able to stay up later at night, being able to choose the information that is most helpful to them and various other reasons, many of which are tied to the idea of independence.

However, even with these positive reactions to online classes and advanced technology, Elmore said face-to-face classes need to exist and should not be replaced by online classes.

"I think it can be as effective as in-class," she said. "I think it really depends on the students."

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Swimmers and divers top Campbell and College of Charleston

The ECU swimming and diving teams returned to action after a two-week hiatus Saturday afternoon with a trio of victories in a tri-dual against Campbell and College of Charleston at Minges Natatorium.

The ladies' team improved to 4-2 on the season with a 178-90 win over Campbell and a 176-105 triumph over College of Charleston. The men's team won its fourth consecutive dual meet with a 173-110 win over CofC to improve to 4-1.

The Pirates posted the fastest times and highest scores in 29 of 32 events. ECU finished first, second and third in three of the 16 events.

Junior Natalia Favoreto posted a trio of individual first-place finishes. She touched ahead of the field in the 50 free (23.10), missing the NCAA 'B' cut by a tenth of a second, and out in front in the 100 breast (1:03.65), two-tenths of a second shy of the pool record. Favoreto was also a winner in the 200 IM (2:07.00) as well as helping the 200 medley relay team capture first place.

Kylie Francis swept the backstroke events, winning the 200 by more than three seconds and touching more than a second in front of the runner-up in the 100.

Tommy Ryan won both the breaststroke events on the men's side, each by more than a second over one of his teammates.

Thiago Cavalcanti dominated the middle-distance free events, finishing seven seconds in front of his nearest competitor in the 500 free and nearly two seconds in the 200 free.

Cavalcanti's win in the 500 free assured an ECU victory in the 25th event, while Kristen Giese's triumph in the 200 breast secured a win for the ladies in the 22nd event.

The lady divers claimed the first five spots on both boards with Meghan Coyne winning both the one and three-meter springboard competitions. Kristie Russell and Katie Yamamoto each posted NCAA Regional Zone qualifying scores.

The Pirates return to competition, Thursday, Nov. 18, at the prestigious Nike Cup in Chapel Hill, N.C. The preliminaries begin at 10 a.m. inside Koury Natatorium.

Rices edges past Pirates in four-set match

ECU won the third set after dropping the first two to force a fourth frame Saturday, but Rice recovered to clinch the match (25-21, 25-9, 22-25, 25-9) at Tudor Fieldhouse. The Pirates dip to 1-27 overall and 0-16 in Conference USA play while the Owls are now 15-14 and 10-7.

Junior Amanda Lutzow paced the offense with 10 kills while classmate Nicole Jones picked up 13 digs. At the net, freshman Kasey Kavanaugh racked up two solo blocks.

Rice put down 59 kills on 131 attempts to post a .282 hitting mark as compared to a .076 showing by ECU. The Owls also held the advantage in digs (62-41) and service aces (4-3) but the Pirates had the best of the blocking 9-6.

Down 15-11 midway through the first set, ECU rallied with four-straight points to tie the score. Whitney Campbell kept the Pirates close with a kill to make it 19-18 in favor of the home team, but the Owls pulled away by taking the next three rallies.

A 3-3 deadlock would be the closest score of the second frame, as a 10-1 run pushed Rice far into the lead. ECU failed to reach double digits in the set, allowing Rice to go ahead 2-0 in the match.

The Pirates reached set point at 24-19 but it took four rallies and a Britney Roper kill to dispatch the Owls in the set.

Rice rolled out to a 4-0 lead in the fourth frame and never looked back, allowing ECU just nine points to capture the 3-1 win.

ECU returns home for its last three of four matches, against Southern Miss.

SPORTS

ECU wins over Erskine and Campbell



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Jamar Abrams hits the free throw line against Erskine on Friday's season opener. Abrams scored 18 points on Friday and nine points on Monday against Campbell.

Chase Kroll

STAFF WRITER

Through the first two games of the basketball season the Pirates let everyone know that they are good at three things: shooting 3s, getting to the free throw line and winning.

ECU has made a combined 19 3-point shots in two games, including 11 against Campbell. The Pirates reached the foul line a combined 56 times. These factors, along with a stingy defense, have allowed ECU to start off the season in the right direction.

"Defensively is where we felt we had to make the biggest adjustment and our biggest improvement and the kids have bought in pretty good to that," ECU Head Coach Jeff Lebo said.

The Pirates are 2-0 in this young season, defeating the Campbell Camels by a score of 76-63.

At the beginning of the second half of Monday night's showdown with the Camels, the Pirates were locked in a four-point game.

After extending their lead to 10, sophomore guard Corvonn Gaines came up with a crucial steal and an ensuing lay-up while drawing a foul. As he sank the shot to complete the 3-point play, he pushed the lead to 42-29 and put the game's momentum securely in the possession of the Pirates, who played without guard Brock Young and center Chad Wynn.

"(Last year) we would come out in the second half in a slump," said Gaines. "This year we wanted to pick it up, keep the same intensity for 40 minutes and keep going hard for the whole game."

The story of the first half was made up of two main components: fouls and 3s. The Pirates netted 15 of their first 19 points from beyond the 3-point

line with Jontae Sherrod shooting three of four from long range. On the defensive end of the court, ECU committed 10 team fouls to Campbell's nine. The teams finished with 21 and 27 team fouls, respectively. But the defense held strong with six blocks and five steals going into halftime, with the score 29-25 in favor of ECU.

The Pirates finished the game shooting 49 percent from the field (48 percent from 3-point range) and 63 percent from the foul line. Sherrod led the team with 21 points, followed by 12 from Erin Straughn and 11 from Gaines.

In earlier action this weekend, ECU defeated the Erskine Flying Fleet by a score of 74-46. Senior Jamar Abrams led the Pirates in points with 16, with sophomore Erin Straughn adding 12 and Sherrod and junior Darrius Morrow both netting nine apiece.

There were plenty of rea-

sons to feel good about Pirate hoops on opening night, as Lebo would begin his tenure at ECU with a victory. The closest game ever got was a five-point Pirate lead, with the Fleet on a 9-0 run. The run was cut short by a technical foul called on Erskine's bench. After the foul, ECU regained composure and steadily built on their lead while shooting 43 percent from the field and out-rebounding the Fleet 40-24.

ECU dominated this matchup, never surrendering the lead from the opening whistle. The Pirates' first five points were all from the free throw line, where they shot 24-29 total on the night.

"We got to the foul line, which is where we wanted to be, and obviously shot the ball a lot better from the foul line than we did in the exhibition

Fifth straight bowl eligibility

OPINION



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What does 6-4 mean to you? To the casual observer who is looking at this article, those are two numbers that seem to not belong together. Besides being even numbers, what do they have in common? But for those of you who live and die with Pirate football, those two numbers should create in you several emotions. Pirate Nation especially should be feeling the emotions of joy, surprise and the hope for a bright future for ECU football. So what does 6-4 mean? Well in the plainest terms possible, it means that under the worst circumstances still left for ECU, they have clinched no worse than a 13th game and a fifth straight bowl bid — something that hasn't been done in this state for quite some time. In his first year at the helm of the Pirate Nation, Head Coach Ruffin McNeill has taken a team that graduated the most players in the FBS, started nine players on opening day that had never started before, a new quarterback, new running back and a bevy of new players at the skill positions to a bowl game when most thought that impossible. Coming into the season, most ECU fans were hesitant to make predictions or even give a thought to a winning season. So many commentators were quick to dismiss the Pirates as a team that had potential but would never reach that this season, and one Raleigh radio host who predicted a 2-10 season for the Pirates delivered the most painful of all. Now after defeating a tough UAB team on the road, a game that many thought would be lost after an embarrassing loss to Navy and a short week to prepare, the Pirates find themselves where no one thought they could be. The credit goes to the players, coaches and yes, even fans, for sticking with this team through the ups and downs. The Pirate fan base is mocked in

Club hockey freezes Seahawks



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Defenseman Sam Duering, blasts a shot from the blue line in action against UNCW. He netted two goals for the Pirates in their 5-4 win over the Seahawks.

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SPORTS EDITOR

It was open season for the Seahawks this past weekend as the ECU club hockey team made a clean sweep of UNC-Wilmington in a home-and-home series.

The Pirates topped the Seahawks 5-3 in Wilmington on Saturday to complete the weekend, but began it with a thrilling 5-4 overtime win on home ice in Greenville on Friday.

Less than two minutes into the sudden death overtime on Friday night, ECU forward Dave "Cheese" Orlando banged home a fluttering rebound to clinch a character win for the Pirates.

"Going into overtime was little surprising for us," Orlando said. "There was shot in from the point, I just picked it up and

luckily I was able to bang it home."

ECU headed into the third period with a healthy two-goal cushion, but the Seahawks came out with new life as they produced three unanswered goals halfway through the third to give UNCW a 4-3 lead.

Seeing their lead rapidly evaporate, the Pirates regrouped and brought a barrage of pucks on the net. Finally, with 7:30 left in the third, veteran blue liner Sam Duering knotted the game at 4-4 with a blast from the point on the power play.

"I was proud of the boys from the standpoint of maintaining their discipline," ECU Head Coach Paul Hinrichs said. "When (UNCW) tied it up, these guys dug in and kept battling hard."

It was all ECU in the second stanza as freshman netminder Chris Stollings kept the Seahawk attackers at bay, allowing

the Pirates to open fire on UNCW goalie Brendan Hayes.

Pirate captain Sean Burns remarked on the composure level of the young goalie.

"I don't think he has a heartbeat," Burns said jokingly. "You definitely feel confident when you have a kid that doesn't get flustered out their backing us up. It keeps everybody cool."

ECU scored two goals in the second with both shots coming from the blue line. The defense had quite an offensive night, as freshman defenseman Chris Scannella notched one, which would be followed up by Duering.

"The point shot, that's where we were tonight, all those were going in," ECU

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Lady Pirates split first two games



Allison Spivey crosses up an American defender in the Lady Pirates' home opener. The senior guard picked up 11 points against the Eagles on Friday.

Jordan Anders
FOR THE EAST CAROLINIAN

The Heather Macy era opened on a disappointing note Friday night, as the Lady Pirates lost their season opener 72-68 to the visiting American Eagles.

The game was a tough debut for coach Macy, who saw her team fall behind by as many as 16 points in the second half after trailing at halftime by only four.

"This is the kind of loss that leaves just a nasty taste in your mouth," Macy said after the game. "The kids fought back to make it a game at the end, but you don't come away with the W and obviously you're extremely disappointed."

Junior guard Ashley Clarke was a key part of the team's ferocious comeback, scoring 14 of her team-high 18 points in the second half to help the Lady Pirates mount their charge. Kim Gay and Allison Spivey were the other two Pirates to score in double figures, tallying 11 and 10 points, respectively.

"We had some bad possessions, but we were able to convert at times," Clarke said. "I think it was a learning experience for us."

The game was tight for most of the first half. ECU jumped out to a 9-5 lead in the first four minutes, but the Eagles outscored the Lady Pirates 26-14 over the next 15 minutes to pull ahead 31-23 late in the half. ECU was able to use two free throws by Kim Gay and a jumper by Celeste Stewart at the halftime buzzer to pull to within 31-27 heading into the locker room.

When the two teams came out to begin the second half, ECU's defense promptly fell apart. American was able to beat the Lady Pirates' full court press on multiple occasions, going on an 18-6 run in the first seven minutes of the half to go ahead 49-33.

But just when it seemed like the Eagles were about to run the Lady Pirates out of their own

building, coach Macy's team stepped up and began chipping away at the lead. A jumper by Shala Hodges at the 8:29 mark of the second half made the score 58-45 in favor of American.

From there, the defense dug in and ECU outscored American 25-11 in the next eight minutes, culminating with a layup by Chareya Smith with 24 seconds remaining to cut the Eagles' lead to one, 69-68.

After American guard Michelle Kirk, who scored a game-high 21 points, hit two free throws to make it 71-68, the Lady Pirates had one final chance to tie the score and force overtime. But Kelly Smith could not handle Allison Spivey's long inbound pass, and committed ECU's 23rd and final turnover. American guard Ebony Edwards hit one of two free throws with two seconds left to make the final margin.

In the end, the Eagles made 40 percent of their shots from the floor, while ECU made 39 percent. American was able to escape Greenville with a victory despite the fact that the Lady Pirates led most statistical categories. ECU outscored American in the paint 38-14, outscored them in points off turnovers 33-19 and also held slim advantages in second chance points, fast break points and bench points. But American made 6-14 three-point attempts, compared to just 2-15 for ECU. They also converted 34-43 free throws while ECU made 16-25.

The Pirates notched their first win of the season on the road at Western Carolina, as they topped the Catamounts 80-76.

The Lady Pirates' next home game will be Friday, Nov. 19, when they host UNC-Wilmington inside Williams Arena at Minges Coliseum. Tipoff is scheduled for 8 p.m.

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captain Sean Burns said. "We got the screen in front and got a lot of traffic in front of the net, and we haven't had that all season."

UNCW drew first blood on Friday night as Tim McKeag delivered a screaming one-timer from the point on the power play halfway through the first period to give the Seahawks an early lead.

ECU pelted the Wilmington goalie Brendan Hayes throughout the period but penalties and missed opportunities in front of the goal kept the Pirates out of the score column.

As the period was winding down, sophomore center Jeff Landau gathered the puck in the corner and put on a dizzying display of stickhandling, resulting in a beautiful backhand goal to end the first period at 1-1.

The Pirates remain undefeated on home ice and will now hit the road once again to finish out the semester at the Mid Atlantic Collegiate Hockey Association Showcase, starting Dec. 3.

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game," Lebo said. "Any time you can go 83 percent and get there close to 30 times, you feel good as a coach."

The Pirates unveiled their new offense and ran it particularly well against Erskine's soft, limited-pressure defense.

"I think we did a great job of moving the ball and knocking down shots when they were open," Abrams said. "I give my team a lot of credit."

The enthusiasm for the offense was shared by teammate Straughn.

"I love it. We just keep

moving the ball and it creates open shots, easy open shots."

The Pirates' victory was won by committee, as 11 players logged in double-digit minutes on the court, all making at least one shot. Six of the 11 players registered at least one assist in the game as well.

"The kids have really bought into the unselfish play, and you can see that tonight with our balance," Lebo commented.

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Guard Jontae Sherrod scored 21 points against the Camels.

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most circles around this state from Chapel Hill to Winston Salem. The ECU fan is looked at as the ugly cousin that no one wants to talk to, but that's not what we are. We are a passionate group that no matter the adversity has stuck by our team. After crushing defeats at the hands of both Virginia Tech and North Carolina, the Pirates came home to face the Wolfpack, and instead of mailing it in, the fan base generated an atmosphere that rivals any in the state. This has been a season where unlikely heroes have risen up and saved games by making heart-stopping plays. Starting with the first game of the year, the destiny of this team was sealed. Freshman Justin Jones, playing in his first game as a Pirate, caught a Hail Mary pass against Tulsa, giving coach McNeill his very first win. A defense that had been beaten up kept the Pirates in a game at Southern Miss, allowing the offense to come alive late for the win. And back up safety Damon Magazu made a remarkable interception in overtime against NCSU, giving the Pirates their biggest win since defeating Virginia Tech two years ago.

This has been a year where disaster hasn't ruined a season, but instead gave these players the drive to get back out there and redeem their pride. This has been a season where leadership has never been a question no matter the issues facing the team. Against the Blazers on Thursday, the entire

season for the Pirates seemed to be at stake. It seemed fitting that everything that has gone well in this season happened, and everything that has gone wrong also occurred. There were tons of offensive yards, over 50 points scored by the Pirates and the passing game continued to be a success. On the other side, the defense gave up tons of yards, tons of points, but as they have done so many times this season the Pirates hung tough and became bowl-bound for a fifth straight year. So how do five straight bowl bids stack up against the rest of the state of North Carolina? NCSU is headed to a bowl game for the first time in two years and just their second in the last four. The Duke Blue Devils have continued their complete disinterest in football. Wake Forest is 2-8 no more needs to be said for them, and finally North Carolina is headed to a bowl game for a third straight year. So what does 6-4 mean to you? Well to me it means that no matter how the season ends, this has been a season that has excited us, thrilled us and, yes, at times made us grab our hair and pull it out. But remember, no matter what happens the rest of the way, this team has shown the entire state that real football resides in the eastern part of heaven.

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