



BRIEFS

ECU releases statement on First Amendment

Staff Reports

Dr. Virginia Hardy, vice chancellor for student affairs, released a statement on the university's record and responsibilities regarding the First Amendment and The East Carolinian.

The statement was delivered shortly after 4 p.m. on Tuesday and addressed the university's concerns surrounding its decision to terminate its director of student media as it relates to the First Amendment.

Hardy asked that the public and advocacy groups trust the university's internal process, which, "has been deliberate, correct and legal," declared the statement.

The university wants to move forward as it addresses two separate issues, a personnel matter and the First Amendment.

According to the statement, "The First Amendment demands public universities provide student journalists the opportunity to make their own news decisions and learn from them without interference."

Hardy said that the university has always upheld and put this principle first.

She discussed the university's full support of The East Carolinian and explained that open, informational discussions were held with the editorial board of the paper to talk about the impacts of news decisions.

"We have and will continue to support their right to make decisions in publishing a newspaper for their fellow students," said Hardy.

School of Medicine offers new summer program

Staff Reports

Students and recent graduates who are looking for careers as physicians are encouraged to participate in an eight-week summer program at the Brody School of Medicine.

The program will run from May 14 to Jul. 12 and the only requirement is that participants be North Carolina residents.

Students should have satisfactorily completed one year of biology, chemistry and physics. Organic chemistry is strongly recommended.

The program will be tuition-free but participants are responsible for living expenses. Those eligible will receive stipends.

The application deadline is Mar 2. For more information, visit ecu.edu/spfd/.

Student responsible for several sorority break-ins

Staff Reports

Greenville Police have arrested 20-year-old Michael James Ferguson in connection with a string of break-ins at university sorority houses.

Ferguson has been charged with first-degree burglary and underage drinking for the incidents.

According to WNCT, Ferguson broke into the Tri-Sigma, Delta Zeta, Alpha Delta Pi and Chi Omega sorority houses.

An ECU alert was sent out to students describing one of the incidents on the corner of Fifth and Rotary Streets.

Sorority women told WNCT that Ferguson had stolen their sorority composite pictures.

Members of Alpha Delta Pi said that when police brought Ferguson to their door at 5 a.m., he told them it was all part of a prank.

Gas prices rise with new year



NICK FAULKNER | THE EAST CAROLINIAN

Gas prices increased after the state gas tax rose and a 30 year ethanol tax credit expired on Dec. 31.

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ASSISTANT NEWS EDITOR

With the new year came a spike in prices at the pump for North Carolina drivers.

Gas prices across the state jumped once a new tax was implemented, totaling about 4 cents on every gallon purchased.

The new tax raised the total tax on gas to 38.9 cents per gallon, an all-time high in North Carolina.

The new tax began on New Year's Day, only a few months after the North Carolina House of Representatives voted to cap the gas tax at 35 cents and half a year after the previous tax hike of 2.5 cents in July.

The state Senate chose not to endorse the bill that would limit the tax, placing North Carolina in sixth place for highest gas taxes in the nation.

In addition to the tax, a federal subsidy on ethanol, which ended on Dec. 31, increased the price of gas by 4.5 cents.

"As a student, I use a lot of gas to get back and forth from home and school," said sophomore Hannah Fortune. "The tax on gas has really just become a burden, especially for students who have to drive long distances."

According to the American Petroleum Institute's website, the gas tax in N.C. amounts to 57.6 cents, 9.8 cents lower than the highest in New York and 31.2 cents higher than the lowest, Alaska.

The site combines local, state and federal gas taxes in order to arrive at its total tax figures.

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Local gun shops in Pitt County saw an increase in permit purchases in 2011.

Pitt County gun permit applications increase

Jamie Harper

STAFF WRITER

Reports by the N.C. Justice Department show a 14 percent increase in applications for concealed gun permits. This past year, there was also a significant increase in the number of people applying for purchase and concealed gun permits in Pitt County.

In North Carolina, a purchase permit application can be acquired at most gun stores and at county Sheriff's Offices. A person, at least 21 years of age, must notarize the application for the permit and a background check will be completed. The application process is different in each county in the state. The purchase permit is valid for five years.

In order to receive a concealed carry permit, the applicant must complete a concealed carry class or firearms training course that has been approved by the state. The Department of Justice has a list of

certified instructors and courses available. The class consists of two tests: a shooting accuracy test and a written test concerning the laws.

After completing the course, the applicant must submit his or her application in person to the local sheriff in the county he/she reside. Upon applying, the applicant must submit full fingerprints to the sheriff, and the Sheriff's Office will then review the application. If the application is approved, it is then sent to Raleigh, where the state reviews the applicant.

A mental health and criminal background check is also conducted for all applicants. Once the application is approved by both the sheriff and the state, the applicant can pick up the permit. The concealed carry permit must be renewed every five years.

According to Don Peaden,

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ECU ranked in Board Certified Teachers

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STAFF WRITER

For the first time, The National Board of Professional Teaching Standards has released the list of top 50 public and private colleges and universities that have alumni receive National Board Certification in 2011.

The university came in second nationwide with 118 Nationally Board Certified Teachers, falling only shortly behind fellow North Carolina school Appalachian State University with 130.

Upon graduating, a teacher must receive a state license to be able to teach. National Board Certification goes beyond the degree and license and gives a teacher not only recognition, but a boost in salary as well.

The National Board for Professional Teaching Standards said it is achieved "upon successful completion of a voluntary assessment program designed to recognize effective and accomplished teachers who meet high standards based on what teachers should know and be able to do."

The success of the board certified alumni of the university can be associated with the importance placed on education.

"Teacher education is at the roots of ECU; it started as a teacher's college," said Marilyn Sheerer, provost and former dean of education. "The leadership of the university has never shied



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away keeping it a key program."

Sheerer attributes the high number of National Board Certified Teachers from the university to the quality of education they have received while in school.

"When I was dean, we spent a lot of energy and focus on trying to decide, 'What is a quality teacher?' and one of the ways we did that was to work really closely with the public schools," she said.

This method is still used today with the "hands-on" experience students receive working with schools through hours of observation, which he or she can apply to his or her future classroom.

Senior elementary education major Jacy Summerlin said that the training the College of Education has provided allowed her transition into teaching during her internship to be easier and less stressful.

"I've always had good professors in the College of Education. They do a good job preparing us for teaching," said Summerlin. "During our sophomore year, we do practicum, which gives us hours observing and

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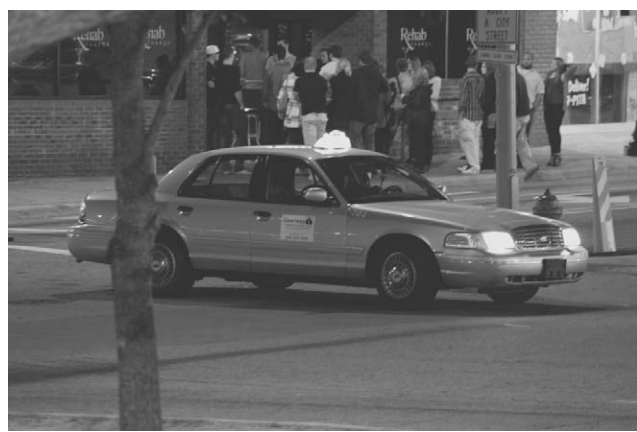
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Drivers with BAC under 0.08 still warrants charge



Taxi's offer students an alternative to drinking and driving.

Jamie Harper
STAFF WRITER

Drivers who are 21 years of age or older can be charged with driving while impaired, regardless of if their blood-alcohol level is below the 0.08 legal limit.

According to the North Carolina Department of Crime Control and Safety website, "It is illegal to drive a vehicle while noticeably impaired."

A driver may not have a BAC of .08, but may be impaired and therefore charged with a DWI.

Sara Lindish, a freshman elementary education major, said "I did know that, but I don't think the university should punish you also."

A DWI conviction is a misdemeanor, which will remain on driver's criminal record. After a driver is charged with a DWI, the driver's license is revoked for 30 days. In some cases, after 10 days, a driver may be eligible for limited driving privileges.

An officer may stop any vehicle if they feel, in their professional opinion, that they have "probable cause."

When a driver is convicted of a DWI, there are five different levels of punishment. Level one is the most serious of the levels. In this level, the driver has had more than one conviction in the last seven years, driving with a license that has been revoked due a prior conviction of a DWI, driving with a child under 16 years of age in the car, or have caused injury to another due to their driving while impaired. Level five is the least severe punishment that a driver can receive. This level is usually for drivers that are first-time offenders and has no "aggregating factors," according to statute NCGS 20-178.

Aggregating factors or negative factors, can include a Breathalyzer reading of .16 or more or excessive reckless driving. When a driver's BAC is .16, they will be required

to have an interlock system installed in the vehicle. There is an initial cost for the interlock system and monthly fee.

The popularity of designating driving services is increasing in N.C. There are services that use a designated driver to drive you home in your own vehicle and either take a scooter back or have another driver in a separate vehicle follow behind. "Zingo" has an employee drive the vehicle home and then the employee takes a scooter back. There are also chauffeur and a chaser services, like "Safe Ride Home" and rickshaws. Rickshaws are a bike-powered transportation service.

There are options for students to avoid drinking and driving. Alexis Fernandez, freshman nursing major, said, "I think there are other options for students. You can get the bus, or taxi."

Lindish agreed, "You can always get a sober friend to drive you."

ECU continues to provide late-night bus services with Pirate Express for students from student housing to the downtown Greenville area, as well as Safe Ride.

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The Tax Foundation released a report last February that revealed the gas tax to be 30.2 cents per gallon, which means the recent tax hike is 8.7 cents higher than last year around this time.

A chart also published by the foundation shows gas tax in the South to average to about 38.5, which is about 10 cents less than the entire country's average.

"Even though the gas prices in North Carolina have gone up because of the new tax, at least we're below the national average," said junior elementary education major Sarah Young. "We could have taxes like New York"

The extra revenue raised by the tax will be combined with federal funds in order to pay for repair and maintenance of roads and the con-

struction of new ones.

According to the American Automobile Association, as the new year began, state gas prices were 24 cents higher than the previous year.

WITN recently reported that AAA says that current gas prices are up 10 cents from last week and nearly 30 cents from the previous year.

The association suggests searching for the best deals

in the consumer's area and utilizing the resources that are available.

One such resource is NorthCarolinaGasPrices.com, which, as of Tuesday, mapped the cheapest gas price in Greenville at \$3.29 per gallon and the highest at \$3.49 for regular gas.

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clerk at the Pitt County Sheriff's Office, it usually takes about two or three months to receive the permit, if the applicant meets all the necessary credentials. "It was 90 days to receive the permit, but the law is currently changing, so we are unsure what the outcome will be regarding exactly how long it will begin to take," said Peaden.

The recent increase in sales of handguns has been evident in stores, like Overton's. According to Danny Bowen, salesperson in the hunting and fishing department of the Greenville Overton's store, "There has been an increase in handgun sales. People are mostly buying the smaller type that you can

conceal easily and carry."

According to the North Carolina statute 14-269.2, no weapons can be carried, open or concealed, on educational property. "Weapons" refers to all firearms and explosives. Carrying these weapons on educational property is a felony. Carrying weapons, open or concealed, such as BB guns, air rifles, air pistols, Bowie knives and fireworks, is a misdemeanor.

"Educational Property" refers to "Any school building or bus; school campus, school grounds recreational area athletic field, or other property owned, used, or operated by any board of education or school board of trustees or directors for the

administration of any school."

Bronson Nicholson, a library security employee, said, "My personal opinion is no, I don't think people should carry on-campus. I don't think having random people carrying weapons is safe."

According to the National Conference of State Legislatures website, in 2011, 18 states introduced legislation that would allow weapons to be carried on campuses, but only two have passed, in Mississippi and Wisconsin.

"I don't think carrying weapons on-campus should be encouraged. I don't really like the idea of having them on-campus," said Kelly Cana-

day, a sophomore art major.

Currently, 25 states give the right to the university to decide whether weapons can be carried on campus grounds and Utah is the only state that does not allow any university to ban carrying concealed weapons on-campus, according to the National Conference of State Legislatures website.

Noah Shepherd, a freshman business management major, said, "I don't see a reason people should need weapons on-campus."

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"It has been difficult because almost everything [the university] does is good," said Mitchelson. "So the question is, of all these good things that we do, what might we do less of? The answer lies in the productivity of the program."

In order to make the best decisions possible, the committee devised a plan for ranking programs, keeping the three factors of productivity, quality and centrality in mind.

Mitchelson said the committee judged productivity by the number of graduates and number of degrees as well as student enrollment. Quality included factors such as faculty and student honors and awards. Centrality includes how closely the program relates to the university's mission.

"Our university has a mission statement that has a strategic plan, and so we're judging programs on how central a program is to the mission, as well as in terms of societal demand and what society needs," said Mitchelson.

He also stated that the PPC is not trying to say which classes are important and which ones are not, it is more-so whether it is vital for the university to keep it, or allow another university to teach it.

Robby Dodson, a senior kinesiology major, believes the change is necessary, due to the demand of particular majors at certain times. He feels strongly about his major and the exercise field and does not want to see any negative changes come to it.

"I can see why they want to change the structure of the university to get rid of unnecessary programs," said Dodson. "Exercise majors in general are growing though, so it would be a shame to get rid of any."

The committee strongly encourages feedback from both students as well as the campus community before finalization in order to make the best decisions possible.

According to Mitchelson, most of the feedback the PPC has received thus far has been positive and has come from both students as well as the community, including the hospital and school system.

The complete list of recommendations can be found on the PPC's section of the university's website. The draft includes suggestions for programs to be eliminated, maintained, reduced or invested in.

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assisting, and junior year, we're able to teach lessons, so we get the chance to try out teaching on our own."

In addition to providing a solid education, Summerlin also said that her professors have been very supportive with her future plans and goals.

"Most of my teachers push for us to go to graduate school and try for National Board Certification," she said.

The state of North Carolina was a standout on the list of alumni with National Board Certification, having representation from eight colleges and universities.

UNC-Chapel Hill came in ninth with 65, UNC-Greensboro ranked 10th with 65, North Carolina State University is listed as 14th with 51, UNC-Charlotte was 18th with 45, Western Carolina placed 22nd with 39, and Meredith College came in 37th with 26 graduates.

The release of top schools with Board Certified Teachers showcases the success of education programs in North Carolina colleges. Sheerer believes this positive light will show future applicants the dedication the university has to the education program.

"When you do National Board Certification, it's not an easy deal. They develop really intensive portfolios and

they have to do case studies," said Sheerer. "It means that our people are well enough prepared to go after it."

This positive achievement is felt among students

as well.

"If we came in second, that means we're pretty good, so it will increase our image," said Summerlin. "Some people think ECU is just a

party school, but this shows we're doing something right."

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To be posted on the top of the rant list: Before everyone makes up some retarded new title, the new Pirate Rant Person is officially named "Pirate Rant Bro." I, the Pirate Gent, have spoken.

It's not okay to put a barely discernible picture of a stalker in the paper, but it's okay to have a story about a man who got arrested for screwing a dog? Really.

Since the school seems to not have enough money, I think we should sell the Chancellor's house on fifth street. Probably worth a lot!

The awkward moment when an old couple driving on the highway stares at you in fear when you wave them the "pirate hook." I thought the ECU license plate meant they were Pirate fans!

Yo momma's so fat that her Splash attack does damage.

I saw you buying pink mesh fabric at Wal-Mart, but I didn't have the nerve to ask you what you were working on.

I can't believe my rant about the deaf girl got published. If I hurt your feelings, I apologize.

Dear ECU Staff, just in case you haven't heard it from your supervisor lately, you're doing a good job, even if you haven't had a raise in over four years. It's been about that long, too, since anyone has told me that they appreciate me or the job I'm doing. But, thank you for all that you do.

ROFL!!! JK, I'm still in my chair.

Stupid white girls. Patting their hair like they have a weave...

Got on the bus Monday and "Under the Sea" from "The Little Mermaid" was playing overhead. Best start to a semester ever.

To the new Pirate Rant Guy: Are you straight? Post this if you are. I'll assume you're gay if you don't.

Drank so much last night I got wasted. But not as wasted as a donation to Rick Perry.

To the person who put the sign up in the bathroom in Bate: If we're really adults, then why'd you have to put a sign up to tell us to flush?

Pirate Rant Bro: This is your mission, should you choose to accept it.

And that's why you always leave a note.

I saw a guy dressed as a banana on a skateboard.... either it was a rough first day back, or I am hallucinating again.

To the Pirate Rant Bro: I'm not gay. I just didn't know you were a guy.

The first day back was my birthday. I am still waiting for a card ECU.

WEB POLL

Do you know about the changes to the academic integrity policy?

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It's almost time to pay up, seniors



Morgan Logan
OPINION COLUMNIST

Public Health Major

When I received the email that read, "Your ECU refund is now available in your HigherOne account," my Christmas season began all over again.

There will probably be a 10 year interval between now and the next time I see figures like that in my account. It has been a blast obtaining racks on racks on racks every semester, but unfortunately for me, and most of those who came in 2008, it's time for our bankroll to cease. No more balling until you drop at the beginning of the semester, and definitely no more living refund to refund. Worst of all, come December, it will be time to start payments on your borrowed money.

FAFSA defines the borrower grace period as the six months after you graduate, leave school, or drop below halftime enrollment. Meaning, some of our peers have already dealt with this issue.

It is very important to make the payments on time. According to FAFSA, the loan servicer will provide repayment information and notify the individual on the date that repayment for the loan begins. The site goes on to stress that not only should these payments be on time, but they should be paid in full as well.

Do the words "promissory note" sound familiar? Within this clause, you

legally signed a deal with the green devil indicating that you would repay your loan according to those terms. Failure to do so is known as a "default," which has serious consequences.

The website StudentAid.ed.gov outlines the consequences of a default as: your credit rating will be harmed; loan payments can be taken out of your paycheck; state and federal income tax refunds can be withheld and applied to the amount owed; late fees and collection costs will be added to what you owe, and ultimately, you can be sued.

Sounds great, doesn't it? If there is any advice you take to from the Opinion section, let it be this: pay your loans on time. Do not be an adult who cannot buy Christmas presents for their child because they are in debt up to their eyeballs. This all could be prevented. On FAFSA, there is a layout on different increments in which you can repay your debts to Uncle Sam. You can, however, select which percentage of the loan you choose to repay back at the moment.

If you seek to your old high school lair as a source of housing post-college graduation and spend your days highlighting the Classifieds section of the local newspaper, no need to worry. A student may request "deferment."

Per FAFSA's site, a student is eligible for deferment when they have trouble making loan payments. A deferment is a temporary suspension of loan payments for specific situations. You must, MUST contact the organization of which you sought out your loan and this process will prevent late fees being charged.

So, while I've enjoyed the large amounts of dough being easily tossed into my HigherOne Account, I am aware that the US Department of Education will be calling for my payments sooner than later. I hope that you, as well as I, abide by the rules and regulations of loan repayment before we are thrown into an ordeal we are not prepared for.

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MCT

Online courses limit opportunities



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More students today are enrolling in online classes. Some choose these courses to meet their credit demands, or just simply because of the nature of the class. Either way, according to the Sloan Consortium, there has been a 17 percent increase in enrollment for online courses in schools across the nation, with the biggest benefit of online classes being the overall convenience that they provide.

But since when has the principle in achieving a higher education within a positive structured learning environment been diluted? Technology is the wave of the future, and we're all being succumbed to the awareness that all courses may one day be potentially online. It's not too foolish to

picture if you think about it.

I understand that many students, in order to balance their busy schedules, choose to take online classes to relieve them of the overbearing pile of work sitting on their desks. Many students within this generation have been inclined to be technologically savvy, something that makes online classes appear appealing this day and age. Although, as technology evolves, there will always be modifications and imperfections with its use.

I've heard from many students that enrollment for online courses can sometimes be confusing. There is also the worry in the back of your mind that your computer could shut off at any moment in time. For students who would prefer to enroll in online courses, I ask, why not enroll in an online school?

If you're looking for convenience, there is a pile of it incorporated with online degrees, not to mention the downgrade in cost. It makes sense. I've noticed many more online schools are popping

up. Certain people, I feel, wouldn't want to be recognized for their online degree. Perhaps they think it would symbolize embarrassment. You cannot agree with online courses to satisfy your convenience if you consider online schools incompetent.

The media is to blame for this social stigma. I can't tell you how many times I've seen those painfully written online school commercials that leave me sitting mundanely on my couch, such as the one for SchoolASAP.com. I'm not implying that online schools are inferior to "normal" universities or colleges. The way I see it, more people will accept online schools for their education the farther we get into the future.

The premise of my thought is to put the roots back into education. Getting the full experience and the knowledge you receive, especially for the cost you are paying, goes far beyond the computer screen. Online courses have a good strategic angle; I'll give them that. They are slowly starting

to shape the conventional lining around education and may soon enough even consume it. However, having an educated teacher to guide you through your course(s) with a hands-on approach and helping you with all aspects of the experience can make the difference. We must put the passion back into educating our youth.

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ALBUM REVIEWS

Stephen singles out the best albums of 2011



Stephen Mason
COLUMNIST

A note before you dive in and find your favorite band isn't listed here: A longer, multi-faceted and more "comprehensive" list consisting of over 100 albums and a breathless, needless essay (not to mention the results of our readers' poll) is available on *The East Carolinian's* website under the "Lifestyles" section.

Considering it's too long for the print edition, I present to you as a primer my 10 favorite albums from 2011 with a choice cut from each in parentheses. It's an enjoyable hodge-podge I would recommend to any music lover, though results aren't guaranteed.

If you're easily dissuaded by anything that requires a modicum of sincere listening or are affixed to instant gratification, give up now. Same goes for lovers of metal, so-called "alternative" rock, and glitzy, polished pop pap. Such are my biases, and I'm willing to defend all of them. Nevertheless, I suggest you check the more detailed online list—nearly all the aforementioned genres are represented in some way, which means even music I normally avoid occasionally has something to say to even a crank like me.

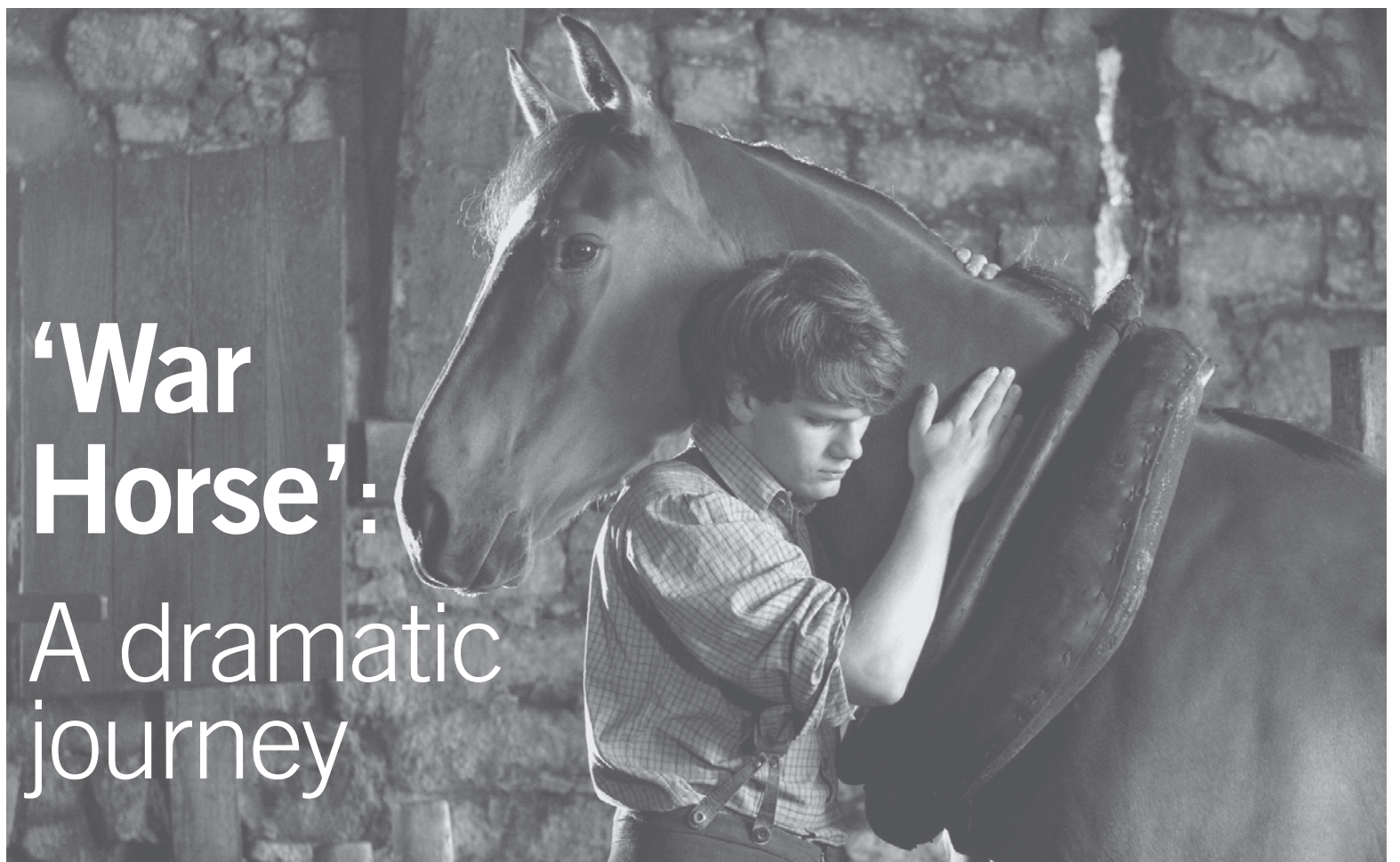
1. TUNE-YARDS – *Whokill*: Merrill Garbus's first question out of the gate is to America: "How come I cannot see my future within your arms?" Clearly echoing a sentiment shared by many, she sorts out answers over an array of 10 funk-laden, hip-hop teasing, hip-shaking grooves, all accompanied by sporadic bass lines, out-of-left-field horn flourishes and general unpredictability. Even with her wonderful addition of a plus-size band, her passion-drenched howl (or her soft, motherly whisper) is the most exciting instrument deployed on this sophomore effort. ("Bizness")

2. STEPHEN MALKMUS & THE JICKS – *Mirror Traffic*: No formal innovations or wild experimentations, and since it lacks the unexpected stop-and-start-or-something-else's of his *Pavement* days, some cry banality. Though tame with a refusal to meander on jams like *Real Emotional Trash*, this swinging 15-cut Beck-produced alt-rock rocker, rocks from start to finish and may be the finest solo statement Malkmus has made to date. ("Stick Figures In Love")

3. THE ROOTS – *Undun*: Not quite how to get over *How I Got Over*, this reverse concept album details the short life of fictional Philly hustler Redford Stephens. I can't attest to the storyline's coherence — are guests Big K.R.I.T. and Greg Purn adding to Stephens's narrative, or is it just *Black Thought?* — but I'll swear by its message, support ?uestlove's lifelong search for the perfect beat, and preach their choruses even if it's to the choir: "Don't worry about what you ain't got / Leave with a little bit of dignity." ("Kool On")

4. LCD SOUNDSYSTEM – *London Sessions*: Live in the studio performance loosens the computer's grip and succeeds on the band's tight, top-notch performance (which somehow manages to humanize James Murphy), resulting in a veritable best-of of sorts that occasionally trumps originals: "Drunk Girls" and "Daft Punk is Playing at My House" benefit especially,

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'War Horse' follows the separate journeys of Albert and his horse Joey during World War I. It was directed by Steven Spielberg and came out on Dec. 25.

Hunter Ingram
COLUMNIST



Grade: B+

Painted with a masterful brush by a man whose own name is forever coupled with the modern cinematic epic, Steven Spielberg has crafted "War Horse" into a marvelous film that, while flawed, is a true shiny example of the inspirational power of film.

Beginning in the English countryside on the cusp of World War I, the film tells the story of Albert, a young man who is given the daunting task of breaking in a young and stubborn thoroughbred horse that was impulsively bought by his aging father. From here, an undeniable bond forms between the boy and his horse, which has been named Joey. But as war breaks out, Joey is sold to the military and begins a journey that crosses borders and spans the length of a world

at war. Spielberg, probably the most well-known director in contemporary Hollywood, has truly created something special with this film. It is the epitome of epic filmmaking and this story and its characters deserve nothing short of that honor, which Spielberg is obviously skilled enough to give them.

War films are always a tricky subject for audiences to grasp because they can become too gruesome or too complicated with all of the military speak and different accents (in the case of world wars). But when reflecting on "War Horse," it becomes apparent that this film isn't just about using the gritty nature of war as a backdrop. Yes, it does spend the majority of its runtime tracing battlefields and weaving through the trenches, but it's more about the tragedy of war—the sacrifices of

war that everyone must pay. Joey is trying to survive the war, and life itself, just like every man who he crosses paths with in his journey. That simplest of human natures is truly universal because, as Joey crosses borders and sides of the war, regardless of the changing accents or motives, that need to survive never disappears.

Spielberg's biggest star in the film is the horse itself. This film is spectacular in the way it gives realistic human personality and, dare I say, emotion to Joey and the other animals he meets, a quality that really drives this film home.

Joey, as a character, goes through the realiza-

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Pirates pledge to get fit



Sara Davis
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A big New Year's resolution

stick with it. "A lot of people start motivated," Smith stated. "(But) as the semester proceeds, other things start to take priority. There is not time to commit to these behavioral changes."

She reminds students that instant results are not typical and it takes time for a new habit to stick. "Patience is something you need to have," Smith said. If a student usually takes the elevator to the fifth floor, she suggests they take the stairs but not overdo it. "Take one flight of stairs and then get on the elevator," she said. It is also important to remember that exercise does not need to occur in a gym, walking a little more on campus can count as daily fitness.

Samantha Canada, a graduate student in public history, is currently following a diet plan. "I follow a diet called Fat Loss 4 Idiots. It's a calorie confusion diet that is based on calorie shifting," she said. "You follow the specific meal plan for 11 days and then you get three cheat days off to eat whatever you want."

She has already lost weight after her first 11 days and is ready for her next 11. "I pack my lunch because it requires that I eat 4 times a day and I eat whenever it is time, even if I am in class," she said.

"Do the best you can in the situations given. Put the focus on the nutrition if there is little time for exercise," Smith said. Exercise should be done for overall health and not just for weight loss. Smith believes that nutrition and exercise should ideally be about 50/50 for the benefits of everything to show.

Nutritional information can be confusing and there is a multitude of information on the Internet that can be misleading and sometimes false. It is important to utilize the resources on campus. "If you feel lost, go to someone who knows. The process of getting fit can be different for everyone," Smith added. She said that some people want to be too strict on their diets and it becomes unattainable. "It's hard to go from eating fast food every day to trying to eat fruits,

The New Year promises an end to holiday overeating and drinking. It also means making a resolution or two. A common resolution for students is to lose weight and get fit. Many students want to look good for their Spring Break trips to warm, sandy beaches, while others are just tired of feeling the way they do. If one goes to the Student Recreation Center at any time of the day when school resumes, they will see a jam-packed gym. Sadly, many of these gym attendees will stop going once school gets more time consuming and their television shows premiere a new season. Diets will become a thing of the past and sugary or salty treats will become the norm again.

Tara Smith, assistant director for nutrition services, has some advice to help students make a routine and

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Graduates face tough job market

TJ Weaver
STAFF WRITER

Graduation. While it's a time that most look forward to, for many, the months and years to come may seem unclear.

In an unstable economy and a slow recovering job market, two recent graduates, Sahra Rahili and Michael Ryan, have faced what many will do or have already done. After 4-5 years of studying, attending classes, and making the grades, they've graduated and are now on the hunt to find a job in their career fields.

Although Ryan and Rahili majored in different subjects, they both face an uphill battle in trying to find a job. Both Pirates graduated this past winter: Ryan with a B.F.A. in professional acting and Rahili with a B.S. in geology.

Since graduation, Ryan's been traveling back and forth between Greenville and New York City. He's been lucky enough to find a spot in two professional dance companies in New York City.

"I'm going to NYC in January for a week to dance with the David Dorfman Dance Company and then I'm coming back to ECU to do Dance 2012," said Ryan. "Then the day after that, I head back to NYC for the month of February because BalaSole Dance Company hired me to perform for them."

Ryan nearly struck gold, but not everyone is so fortunate. Rahili, who walked across the stage to receive her diploma this past winter, received an upsetting phone call informing her that she was missing one credit hour.

"Before graduation, I had been applying for jobs in retail and waitressing, but also for jobs in my field of study," said Rahili. "Three days ago, a professor told me I was missing an hour. I sent in my senior summary this past summer so I should've been notified earlier. Someone screwed up down the line, and so I've had to put my life on hold because of someone else's mistake."

After graduation, some students find that their interests have shifted in another direction, while others discover better job-hunting tactics, bringing them closer to their dream job.

"I'm not moving to L.A. like I had originally planned to do," said Ryan. "The dancing jobs have postponed my acting career, which



Michael Ryan graduated in December.

upsets me a bit." According to a study performed by the Bureau of Laboring Statistics in 2010, 317,000 waiters and waitresses, 80,000 bartenders and 18,000 parking lot attendants all have bachelor degrees. And in total, 17,000,000 Americans are doing jobs that the BLS says requires less than the skill levels associated with a bachelor's degree.

"Lots of people get stuck doing jobs they're not happy with and that can become a security blanket," said Rahili, "but for me, working other jobs while I find my dream job is perfectly OK, as long as I return to what I love to do, which is geology."

For these two Pirates, furthering their educating in graduate school is in their future, just not right away. Both would like to scope out their options before getting back into the books.

"If my dreams do not come true, I plan on going back to school so I can teach college," said Ryan.

Rahili believes ECU has prepared her with the skill level to compete with other hopefuls in the tough job market; however, she realized how important it was to have a professional looking resume.

"Having the skills to making a great resume is more important than most think," said Rahili. "It wasn't until last year when I realized that I didn't have a set resume ready to hand out, detailed with my skill level and what I've done. That was a big thing for me."

Ryan learned that the assets he's gained from college can be applied not only to the job search, but also

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while personal favorites like "I Can Change" or "Get Innocuous!" offer unorthodoxy that repays with replays. ("Daft Punk is Playing at My House")

5. RADIOHEAD – *The King of Limbs*: According to the way Ed O'Brien explained their recording process, it doesn't sound like much was done live in studio, which *In Rainbows* definitely was (at least live in decrepit house), and I'm positive that's the only reason these eight tracks don't soar as high as they could. How do I know? Save for Yorke's vocals, their always-explosive "Live from the Basement" sessions let "Bloom" flower and "Lotus Flower" blossom. ("Lotus Flower")

6. SHABAZZ PALACES – *Black Up*: Ishmael Butler's chorus to "Free Press and Curl" is a proclamation of freedom and ends the song with a repetition of "Konjo," meaning "beautiful." As if such an obvious introduction wasn't enough, he hits you again with the album's coda: "Black is you / Black is me / Black is us / Black is free." Why such bludgeoning? Probably because the beats are so infectious, the haunting, heavy rhythms and wailing backing vocals of children so off-setting it takes a few listens to notice. How Sub Pop signed 'em, I've no idea. ("Free Press and Curl")

7. SONDRÉ LERCHE – *Sondre Lerche*: I'm probably the only person in the country who would put this Norwegian's self-titled sixth album in a best-of, but I'll defend it against the pretentious (even someone as pretentious as me finds them pretentious) morons at *Pitchfork* all day long. Six of these 10 tracks are dynamite: the opening four, "Domino" and "Tied Up to the Tide," all of which alternately flaunt Nilsson exuberance, P.

Simon witticism, and Van Morrison jazziness. The point, though, is that he sounds all his own. ("Red Flags")

8. THE ANTLERS – *Burst Apart*: I know, I know. Nothing like *Hospice*, American Radiohead, rakka rakka rakka. Personally, I'm glad Silberman's focus is on sonic atmosphere rather than half-baked concepts and his lyrics too personal (and coherent) to be Yorke-ian. It liberates them from previous self-imposed restrictions and negates lazy contemporary comparison. ("No Widows")

9. WILCO – *The Whole Love*: The only drawback to Wilco is Jeff Tweedy's continuing inability to say much of interest, a handicap lethal in the long run. That's probably why he picked up the guitar: Without it, the humor of setting his kids on fire in "I Might" not come through, "Black Moon" would run dangerously close to sentimentality, and the rolling, ethereal "One Sunday Morning" would feel as ordinary as the title implies. ("Black Moon")

10. FLEET FOXES – *Helplessness Blues*: I side more with this camp than Bon Iver or Mumford & Sons, though, even here, I tepidly stake ground. *Helplessness Blues* is an album I'm only glad to hear when it's actually playing — and I really am glad to hear it when I do. But when it's not on, the only wood-folk-harmony-whatever tune that gets me jonesing is the title cut. It's about wanting to be part of something, to serve something greater than oneself, even if it's soul-crushingly, incomprehensibly huge. And it doesn't have to be God, either. ("Helplessness Blues")

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tions and hardships that every person must go through in his or her own journey and the audience sees that in his mannerisms and attitude. It's immensely engaging to watch this horse move so fluidly through this war and fathom just how much hope and emotion the audience has put in such a majestic character that never speaks a word.

Jeremy Irvine, who plays Albert, is also extremely well-cast, capturing the youthful wonder that has become a staple of Spielberg's films since the days of "E.T." Heartbroken by the loss of Joey to the war effort, Albert joins the fight in search of his friend, leading him on his own journey, which parallels Joey's.

As the film progresses, the two end up weaving their way through the carnage and travesties of war, giving the audience just enough to contrast their pure, innocent friendship with the gritty, gruesome nature of war.

And Spielberg does give the audience several awe-inspiring moments of battle, one of which depicts the men rising from a wheat field onto their horses and charging into battle. Joey also gets a beautifully shot scene where he runs fiercely through a war-torn battlefield, dodging artillery fire and dead bodies.

But sadly, the film does have its flaws. Its tone is slightly off-putting in some scenes. One minute we are tense from seeing young men die in the heat of battle, and the next we are laughing at a goofy soldier. This can cause emotional whiplash for some, while other moments like this are a little easier to grasp, especially in the beginning on

the farm.

Being that this is an epic film, Spielberg also tries to cover too much ground. There is the story of Joey and Albert, which intertwines with the war, which was preceded by the land dispute surrounding Albert's farm, which comments on the class systems of the time. And then there are smaller stories that manifest while Joey travels and is intercepted by new people. Even though these stories are touching, it's hard to really invest in each one when something else is quickly coming down the pike.

The film also tries a little too hard to be dramatic. The emotion and heartbreak surrounding Joey and Albert, and the war itself, are already so easily expressed through the acting and the narrative. This is really apparent in the film's final shots, which are set against a deep, warm orange and red sunset. This is a magnificent shot but it is only there because Spielberg is trying to milk as much emotion out of the moment as possible, when it was already emotional enough.

"War Horse" is essentially the "Forrest Gump" of horse films, sliding through history and making its mark at each turn. But that's ok because Joey and Albert's journeys are fantastically moving and their friendship is more than realistic. The film radiates an inspiring and moving feeling that truly reminds moviegoers just how great movies can be.

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vegetables, grains, and lean meats," she reminded. It is also possible to eat too much healthy food. Many people do not know what actual hunger or fullness feels like. Smith stated that it is important to have someone who is educated in nutrition teach the feeling.

On campus, there are a slew of resources to help confused students. The SRC offers cooking demonstrations, fitness classes, personal training and exercise equipment to students. They even have books, DVDs and cookbooks to loan.

Campus Recreation and Wellness issues a monthly newsletter entitled, "Arrrgh You Eating Well?" which contains nutritional information and recipes. They also have a blog on the Inner Pirate Network called "The Scoop." From now until Jan. 16, SRC is offering free group fitness classes so students can see what they enjoy and if the classes are

right for them. These classes range from belly dancing to Yoga. They even offer the popular Zumba class. The real goal is to make exercise enjoyable.

Student Health helps create an individualized approach to nutrition with their registered dietician. Even campus dining has online resources, which lists the nutritional information for all their foods. They also have a dietician to help students select the right foods from the dining halls.

Campus is full of resources that can aid in students' healthy endeavors. Do not be embarrassed by lack of knowledge or conflicting facts. ECU's campus helps students to find someone who is willing and able to help them fulfill their goals and maintain a healthy lifestyle.

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to life.

"ECU's School of Theatre and Dance prepares you on how to audition, how to handle yourself in an audition, to be early — because if you're on time, you're late," said Ryan, "and to never do anything that implies there's something wrong with you and most importantly, to not burn any bridges."

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Ryan Adams – Ashes and Fire
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The Antlers – Burst Apart (2)
Atlas Sound – Parallax
Bad Meets Evil – Hell: The Sequel (2)
Beastie Boys – Hot Sauce Committee, Pt. 2
The Black Keys – El Camino (2)
Bon Iver – Bon Iver
The Boxcars – The Boxcars
The Civil Wars – Barton Hollow
Miles Davis – B****es
Brew Live
Death Cab For Cutie – Codes and Keys
Drake – Take Care
The Drums – Portamento
Eisley – The Valley
Fleet Foxes – Helplessness Blues

Foster the People – Torches (2)
Future Islands – On the Water (3)
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I Break Horses – Hearts
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M83 – Hurry Up, We're Dreaming
Modeselektor – Monkeytown

The Mountain Goats – All Eternals Deck
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Raekwon – Shaolin Vs. Wu-Tang
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Trent Reznor & Atticus Ross – The Girl With the Dragon Tattoo Soundtrack
The Roots – Undun
Royce da 5'9" – Success is Certain
Tech N9ne – All 6's and 7's
Toro Y Moi – Underneath the Pine
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JUCO transfer here to stay

Forward Maurice Kemp joins the men's starting five

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No athlete will admit that he or she hopes for a teammate to get injured. But sometimes, in sports, it takes such an unfortunate event for a player to get the chance to shine.

With starting forward Robert Sampson hampered by thumb and ankle injuries over the last month, ECU basketball coach Jeff Lebo has turned to junior transfer Maurice Kemp to pick up the slack.

Now, Sampson might have a hard time earning his spot back. "It was unfortunate that Rob went down," Kemp said. "But it gave me the opportunity to be on the floor a little bit more and show the coaches what I can do and how I can contribute when I'm in the game."

Kemp has contributed plenty since taking a starting role. He has scored in double figures in ECU's last eight games, the last seven of which saw him in the starting five. Averaging 22.6 minutes per game in 2011, Kemp ranks third on the team in scoring at 10.9 points per game, and leads the Pirates with an average of 7.0 rebounds per contest.

While those numbers are solid, examining his overall numbers versus his averages as a starter reveals a drastic uptick in production. In his seven starts, Kemp has averaged five more points (15.9) and two more rebounds (9.1) than his season marks in those categories, including a dominant 25-point, 14-rebound performance against Virginia-Wise on New Year's Eve.

Kemp, though, says that those numbers are more of a byproduct of simply playing more minutes, rather than any mental boost that comes from now being a starter.

"(Starting) helps you get comfortable a little faster," he said, "but it's not really much of a difference because I come out and play hard regardless. This has just given me a chance to be out there more."

ECU marks the third stop for Kemp as a college player. After a wildly successful prep career in his hometown of Miami, Fla., he played as a freshman at Alabama A&M, where he averaged just 13.2 minutes per game and a meek 5.3 points per contest. After just one season there, Kemp transferred to Miami Dade Junior College, where he averaged 16.9 points and 9.9 rebounds per game in 32 games for the Sharks.

In three years, that's three schools in three states, three sets of teammates and four coaches (the coach at Miami Dade was fired midway through Kemp's season there). Kemp said that the periods of constant moving, adjusting and readjusting were difficult, but now he feels he has finally found a place that he belongs.

"It just feels good to be back at the Division I level," he said. "I love the system and the coaches here. It's just a really good fit for me. I've learned so much since I've gotten here, working with (Assistant Coach Tim) Craft and those guys. They know their stuff and they've helped my game out a lot."

Indeed, they've helped Kemp take his game to another level. But there is still one thing he has struggled with that he is dying to change: He is 0-15 from behind the arc as a Pirate, which is something that has been nagging at the 6-foot-8 forward.

For a kid who shot 52 percent from three-point range last year at Miami Dade, that's a stark contrast, and one he's ready to correct.

"It's coming," he said, shaking his head. "I don't know what it is. I knock them down in practice, but in the game, it's always something. But it will fall eventually."

Lebo echoed Kemp's remarks, noting how he has seen him knock down numerous three-pointers in a row in practice. Earlier this season, he joked that, "When one finally goes in, we might run off the bench and all of us get a technical foul and just tackle him."

That kind of camaraderie is one of the things that makes Kemp believe transferring to ECU was the right choice. His days of bouncing from team to team are over, and he said he's excited to finish out his college career as a Pirate.

"I love it here," he said. "I'm not going anywhere."

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Maurice Kemp (2) awaits a pass during Saturday's loss to UFC.

Pirates set to hit the pool

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STAFF WRITER

With a meet against Old Dominion looming on Saturday to start of the spring semester, the ECU swimmers and divers must work hard as the meet is expected to come down to the last relay.

It happens to be Old Dominion's parents and alumni weekend this Saturday, leaving the Pirates to face the current conference dominator and their fans.

"The meet against Old Dominion will be tough, fun and interesting," head swimming and diving coach Rick Kobe said. "The team just returned from eight days of training in Florida where they practiced for five hours a day. We wanted to have a meet against NYU, but it didn't work out."

With the completion of the fall semester, many of the Lady Pirate swimmers excelled in and out of the pool. With 33 of 35 female swimmers receiving academic honors, 11 of which received a 4.0 GPA, it appears evident that the swimmers dominated academically, as well as athletically.

"We had many women stand-out so far in the season and expect more hard work to come," Kobe said of his team. "The Nike Cup we competed in back in November was the best Nike Cup we have had with regards to performance. We had 100 percent best in season times."

With these strong performances, many specific athletes are standing out. The women's swim team has top-notch times and performances by Holly Berenotto, Lauren Gray, Megan Rossi, as well as seniors Natty Favoreto, Kylie Francis and Kristen Giese. Meaghan Rauscher broke an ECU record on the 1,000 meter and mile races.

Top women divers include Meghan Coyne and Katie Yamamoto, while top men divers include Tyler Dunsmore and Kyle Comiskey.

On the men's swim team, there were many top performers, including freshman Rokas Cepulis and Daniel Wood. Other top performers are sophomore Attila Kiraly with the all-around swim, junior JD Flanagan as a 200-meter flyer, seniors Jonathan Bailey is top-distance swimmer, and Ailton Temotio is the Pirates' best sprint flyer.

"These are great athletes who know how to work hard and have fun while doing what they love, and good coaches who have a great plan and work hard as well," Kobe said of his men's team and staff.

Following the Old Dominion meet will be a showdown on Jan. 21 between the Campbell University women, the Pirate men and women, and the elite teams of William & Mary. The Pirates will hit the road on Jan. 27, to South Carolina to compete against the Gamecocks and the Vanderbilt Commodores.

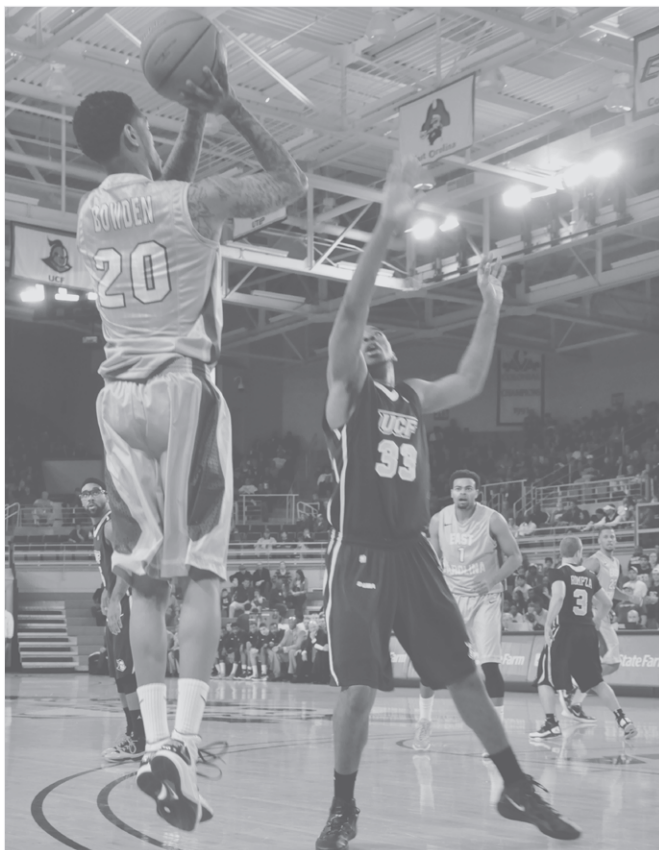
The road trip will be the Pirates' final dual meet before the conference championship. The men's and women's swimming and diving teams will compete against the best in Conference-USA in Houston, Texas starting Feb. 15.

With past performances excelling over the years, the men and women swimming and diving teams are expected to do well in the conference standings.

Catch the Pirates' last home meet against Campbell and William & Mary on Jan. 21.

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Conference race ready to heat up



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Shamar Bowden (20) fades away on a 3-point attempt on Saturday.

Ronnie Moore
STAFF WRITER

With the conference schedule just starting and some teams looking very good one game and mediocre the next, it can be a toss up for any Conference USA team to steal wins, and even the conference title.

The favorite year in and year out is the Memphis Tigers. Their non-conference schedule is as tough as they come in college basketball every year and they seem to still win the majority of those difficult neutral-site games.

This year, the Tigers' strength of schedule stands fifth in the nation and they have two wins over Tennessee and close losses to Big East powers Louisville and Georgetown. With that said, the Tigers stand at 10-5 and 1-0 in conference play. They can still be highlighted as the

favorite to win the conference title until someone knocks them off their plateau at the top. Will Barton is the C-USA scoring leader at 18.9 PPG.

The breakout team this year may be the Southern Miss Golden Eagles. As of this weekend, the Golden Eagles are on an 11-game win streak and they stand at 15-2 and 2-0 in conference play with wins over the Pirates and the Tulane Green Wave. Southern Miss seems on the rise but they still won by slim margins in conference play, so it is still uncertain whether they can be the giant killer and take down the relentless Tigers. Southern Miss also had a challenging non-conference schedule, ranking 63rd in the nation in strength of schedule.

UCF looks strong as well as they entered Minges Coliseum and routed the Pirates Saturday evening. Four Knight starters ended the game

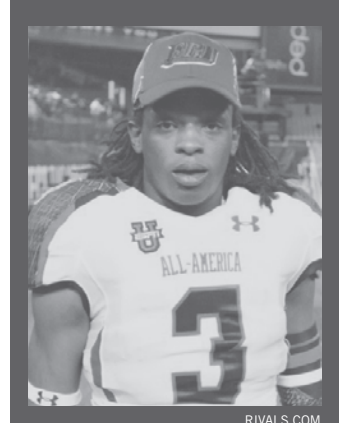
in double figures with Isaiah Sykes leading UCF with 20 points. Marcus Jordan is second in the conference in scoring at 17.2 PPG. He only totaled 12 points against the Pirates and the Knights still prevailed. At 12-3 and 2-0 in conference, they are near the top of C-USA and may continue to stay there. UCF is currently the only C-USA team to have a victory against the top 25, when they defeated No. 4 UConn early in the season 68-63.

Despite recent struggles against conference foes, the Pirates can still bring their game up to the level that can compete with every team in conference. And they may be able to make an NCAA tournament push if they can tidy up some mistakes and win a few close games. A bright note 15 games into the season is that the Pirates' new point guard Miguel Paul is third in C-USA in scoring at 16.2 PPG and leads the league in assists with 5.7 per game. If they can get their post scorers to produce at a consistent pace and the offense can flow with Paul, then the Pirates' season does look hopeful.

The Marshall Thundering Herd currently sits third in C-USA with a record of 11-4 and 2-0. DeAndre Kane is the offensive leader of this team, as he is averaging 15.6 points, 5.6 rebounds and 3.7 assists per game. He nearly achieved a double-double in the Herd's single-digit loss to the now-No. 1 Syracuse. He did struggle offensively in that game, only producing nine points. Kane has reached double figures in points in all but three games this year. The Thundering Herd rolls into Minges Coliseum on Feb. 11, which will give both Marshall and ECU time to improve its records until then.

C-USA may be full of surprises this season and multiple teams will have a chance to win the title crown. Five teams are undefeated in conference but that number may shrink as conference games start back up this weekend.

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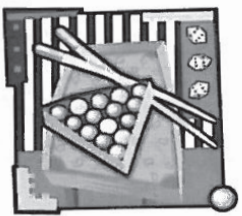
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Bowling

Wed., Jan. 18th 6pm-11:30pm
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Table Tennis

Fri., Jan. 20th 6pm-11pm
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Billiards Lounge
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Spades

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Chess

Sat., Jan. 21st 10am-5pm
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There is a \$2.00 registration fee for each tournament. Registration forms are available at the Billiards Center and the Outer Limitz Bowling Center located on the ground floor of Mendenhall Student Center. Call the Welcome Center at 328-4700 for more information.

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Dr. Julianne Malveaux

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Tuesday, January 17, 2012, 7:00 p.m.

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The public is invited to attend this free event.

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