



BRIEFS

Bojangles' offers Crimestoppers reward

Staff Reports

In a press release on Tuesday, Bojangles' stated that it has partnered with Crimestoppers in Pitt, Greene, Wilson, Martin and Beaufort counties.

Bojangles' is offering up to \$10,000 in rewards for information leading to the arrest and conviction of those responsible for the recent robberies in the East.

This month alone, five Bojangles' have been robbed in Eastern North Carolina, stated a WITN news article.

New speaker series targets graduate students

Staff Reports

Thursday will mark the beginning of the university's first Graduate Leadership Speaker series.

Beginning in April, four lectures featuring university administrators and a retired military leader will be presented.

The lectures will be split between the east and west campuses and have been scheduled monthly.

The idea was formed after Al Delia, a former university administrator, visited campus in November.

Delia works as senior policy adviser to Gov. Bev Perdue and was recently appointed as interim secretary for the N.C. Department of Health and Human Services.

The first series will primarily feature university leaders and will be kicked off by former chancellor, Richard Eakin.

Registration for the lectures is highly recommended, as space is limited. To register, email graduateleadership-series@ecu.edu.

University Health Services changes name

Staff Reports

Tuesday, the health care center formerly known as University Health Systems of Eastern North Carolina officially changed its name to Vidant Health.

The name change has been a subject of debate by the public, but the change was finalized with newly constructed signs at hospitals and facilities and throughout the East, reported WITN.

Local restaurant becomes latest victim of robberies

Staff Reports

Andy's Burgers on Arlington Boulevard was robbed late Sunday night by an intruder.

According to WITN, the store was closed when the incident took place and was reported just after midnight.

A police report stated that the intruders smashed in the glass backdoor and stole money from inside.

Just last Tuesday, an intruder smashed in the window of Golden Nails and Spa, just a few doors down.

Anyone with information is urged to call (252) 758-7777.

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Governor proposes tax increase

Jamie Harper
STAFF WRITER

Gov. Bev Purdue will propose a temporary sales tax increase in her budget proposal for next year. This proposal is an attempt to restore money for educational needs, public schools and universities across the state.

The proposal would increase the sales tax to three-quarters of one cent on sales. This would increase the sales tax in most counties in North Carolina to 7.5 percent versus the current 6.75 percent currently in place.

The proposed increase is defined as "temporary" in Purdue's budget, but its exact duration has not yet been determined.

Ethan Garner, a sophomore exercise physiology major, said, "I don't think it would work. A balanced budget would have prevented this from needing to be done."

The proposed temporary



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Governor Beverley Perdue will propose a 7.5 percent sales tax increase in her budget for the next fiscal year.

Greenville approves grant for greenway expansion



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Senior business major Kayla Kostarelos runs on the bridge on the Greenway located off First Street over the Tar River.

Megan Stalls
STAFF WRITER

The Greenville City Council has approved an almost million-dollar federal grant to implement Phase III of the South Tar River Greenway, which will extend the greenway through the west side of town.

Phase III of the South Tar River Greenway will run from Pitt Street to Moye Boulevard and will connect the east side of town by the Tar River

to the hospital.

However, for Greenville to receive this grant, the city had to raise \$200,000 in matching funds. In an interview with WNCT, Greenville city councilwoman Marion Blackburn said she thinks the decision will pay off in the long run.

Blackburn's goals for Greenville for the next two years include the completion of Phase III of the greenway and other quality-of-life issues, such as clean energy and alternative

transportation.

Many university students and Greenville residents use the trail for exercise and leisure, and have been supportive of the extension.

The council is also working to finalize plans that will be used for repairing a section of the greenway that was damaged by Hurricane Irene.

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University launches brand new website

Abbey Way
STAFF WRITER

Thousands of members of the Pirate community discovered a new version of ECU's website on Monday as part of the university's mission to create the best homepage possible for all users.

Some of the new features include larger fonts, bigger photos, a wider page, expanded content, greater accessibility and new tools.

"The new design was developed and executed by a talented group of people from across the university that understand both the daily operations as well as the overall goals for the web," said Clint Bailey, assistant vice chancellor for university marketing. "The group solicited and received feedback throughout the process to help them arrive at the design now online."

The beta website was launched in September and its design team worked to fine tune the site up until the official launch

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Student Governments discuss tuition

Cameron Gupton
ASSISTANT NEWS EDITOR

On Jan. 20 and 21, UNC system school Student Government Associations met at UNC-Pembroke to discuss tuition issues and how they are affecting each school individually.

School representatives in attendance met with UNC system president Tom Ross to discuss the matter and gain insight into what the system plans to do about future tuition hikes and budget deficits.

East Carolina University sent representatives to the meeting. The university has amassed about \$129 million in cuts over the last three years, with \$49 million of that number being in the last year alone.

The Student Government Association President, Josh Martinkovic, was present at the meeting and had a chance to discuss his concerns with Ross.

"This is going to be a difficult time for the university. We don't have the money to do what we did five years ago," said Martinkovic.

According to Martinkovic, Ross offered a number of key facts that suggest the future of tuition and cuts might remain bleak.

Ross told those at the meeting that the state is projected to have a \$250 million downfall in Medicaid, as well as the previous stimulus fund money running out. A potential European recession could also affect the price of tuition in North Carolina.

"If we keep getting these cuts, we can't maintain the same quality," said Martinkovic.

Junior Michaela Ashworth said that she feels that programs and other items have to be eliminated to preserve quality.

"I know that the tuition increases at State and Chapel Hill are much higher," said Ashworth. "I think

everyone should realize that we are all in this together."

Martinkovic said that the tuition increases are going to hurt a little, but ultimately have to happen.

The money that is coming from this year's tuition increase will only cover \$12 million of the university deficit, which means there will be a cut in class offerings and faculty.

Ross is expected to release his official report and recommendations on tuition on Feb. 10.

According to Martinkovic, it might include capping the tuition hike for this year at 2 percent and 4 percent for the following year.

"He was very open and honest with us," said Martinkovic.

The new plans for tuition provided by Ross will look at five revenue sources.

These resources include saving through reprioritization, private donations and partnerships, continuing to make the case with the

legislature, grants and contracts and tuition and fees.

"I think it's good that they're going to consider other areas when looking at tuition," said English education major Bill Schmidt. "Sometimes areas may be overlooked."

The presidents of the UNC system Student Government Associations are planning to release a statement about the meeting tuition increases this weekend.

The group wants to get the "other side of the argument" from students.

For now, Martinkovic and those in SGA want to get the message out to students and raise awareness about tuition.

"You're starting to see the changes and it's just going to get worse unless we rebound," said Martinkovic.

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Math 3229 sees largest fail rate at ECU

James Williams
FOR THE EAST CAROLINIAN

Elementary Statistical Methods II, or MATH 3229, is East Carolina University's most failed math class, with a 33 percent rate of failure among students who were enrolled in the class, according to an analysis of grades issued since 2006.

The data received from the Registrar's Office shows that since 2006, only 120 students have taken MATH 3229, compared to the nearly 25,000 students who have taken other MATH classes in that time. Although the class roster may be smaller than some, based on percentage, this still makes 3229 the most failed math class within the past five years.

The reason for the small size enrolled in 3229 is based on the fact that only computer science majors must take the class to graduate. MATH 3229 is the next level course after MATH 2283, Statistics for Business, which is required by a much larger population. Unlike the lower-level statistics class, MATH 3229 only has one scheduled slot per semester, usually with no more than 15 students enrolled.

Peng Xiao, a professor at ECU since 2007,

was teaching MATH 3229 last semester. Xiao says that he believes one of the main reasons students have problems with the class is their reliance on a different type of logic.

"Students who are computer science majors use a different set of knowledge. They are used to data programming and fixing problems. It's hard for them to switch over to the mathematical elements," Xiao said. One way Xiao thinks grades could be improved would be to implement a more integrated method of teaching the class between the Computer Science Department and the Mathematics Department. "There really is no other way to say it. The class is hard to teach and hard to learn," Xiao said.

Professor Said Said has taught MATH 3229 multiple times since he was hired at ECU in 1982. Said says he thinks there is another reason why students have trouble in this particular course. "Students don't come to class. The main reason they are doing poorly is because they simply are not showing up," Said said. Said isn't too shocked by the number of failures in 3229. "There have been times I have

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"I've been wanting to do something about it with my sorority," Wehrle said. "After the hurricane, there was so much damage. I mean, some parts (of the greenway) looked like there had been an earthquake. It was that bad. The walkway was just broken up and there was sand everywhere."

Graduate student Lucas Maia said he thought expanding the greenway was logical.

"I see a lot of people walking (the trail)," Maia said. "It's near my apartment. I also see a lot of people walking their dogs on it."

Maia lives on Tenth Street, near the part of the greenway that connects to the Green Mill Run Greenway. He said that he has only been on the greenway a few times, but that plenty of other people seem to be using it.

Some students, though supportive of the project, think the community should be responsible for repairing the greenway.

"I think it'll be worth it," said Wehrle of Greenville having to match the funds for the grant. "But I don't think they should have to spend a lot of money to fix it. There are plenty of groups on campus who are looking to do service projects, who are involved in service organizations. A lot of us have done Habitat for Humanity, and we know how to follow instructions and use tools."

Wehrle, who bikes to school and uses her bicycle as her main mode of transportation, said, "It would be great if people could get around Greenville on the greenway and not have to use open roads. Drivers don't really care about bikers. The greenway would be a much safer way to get around."

The group Friends of Greenville Greenways (FROGGS) works with the City of Greenville to promote the city's greenways and trails. There is a map on their website that shows the current greenways and a five-year plan for future

additions, including Phase III of the South Tar River Greenway. Their aim is to encourage the city's residents to make use of the greenways and to be aware of environmental conditions and issues. They also want to increase Greenville's appeal to tourists and its citizens.

The greenway extension is, as titled in the City Council's agenda minutes, a "municipal agreement with the North Carolina Department of Transportation for the design and construction of the South Tar River Greenway - Phase 3 - Pitt Street to Moye Boulevard."

The Greenville City Council met on Monday, Jan. 9, and the decision on the agreement was the only item to be continued until the Thursday, Jan. 12 meeting.

The funding to build Greenville's greenways comes from federal transportation grants.

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this week.

"During that time, feedback was collected from individuals accessing the site," Bailey said. "The overwhelming majority of those users indicated that they liked the new site and felt it was easier to read and use."

Brooke Kott, a junior secondary education major, said she thinks it looks appealing, but it took her a while to find everything at first. "I'm not used to the new (site), but my feelings may change when I start using it more," Kott said.

The links to access E-mail, Banner, BlackBoard and OneStop are now all grouped together on the right side of the home page in a "MyLinks" toolbox. With the addition of the toolbox, users can now be anywhere on the site's domain and, in one click, access their

ECU bookmarks. Anyone with an ECU login can add and delete links and share links by e-mail, Facebook or Twitter.

Simon Nauert, a senior hospitality management major, is in favor of the change. "I like it a lot because it's a much cleaner design and it's a lot easier to find and access information," Nauert said.

The previous site had 770 pixels and the new site has increased to 960 pixels. This created a wider page that will give visitors to the site a more pleasant and readable experience. In addition to larger photos and font, the pixel increase also makes more space between the various elements on the page so the content will not be as crowded.

"It looks like they made it a lot simpler to navigate

and find what you are looking for easily," said Dennis Aliotta, a senior sports studies major.

He also added that the old site made it difficult to navigate to the Athletics page.

"As an athlete, I especially like the fact that they have updates of Pirate Athletics on the main page, as well as a link that goes straight to the athletics page," Aliotta said.

Tony Bunn, senior health fitness major, said he was thrown off when he first saw the site.

"It kind of made me mad that they didn't give us a heads up, but now that I figured out where everything is, it's easier to use."

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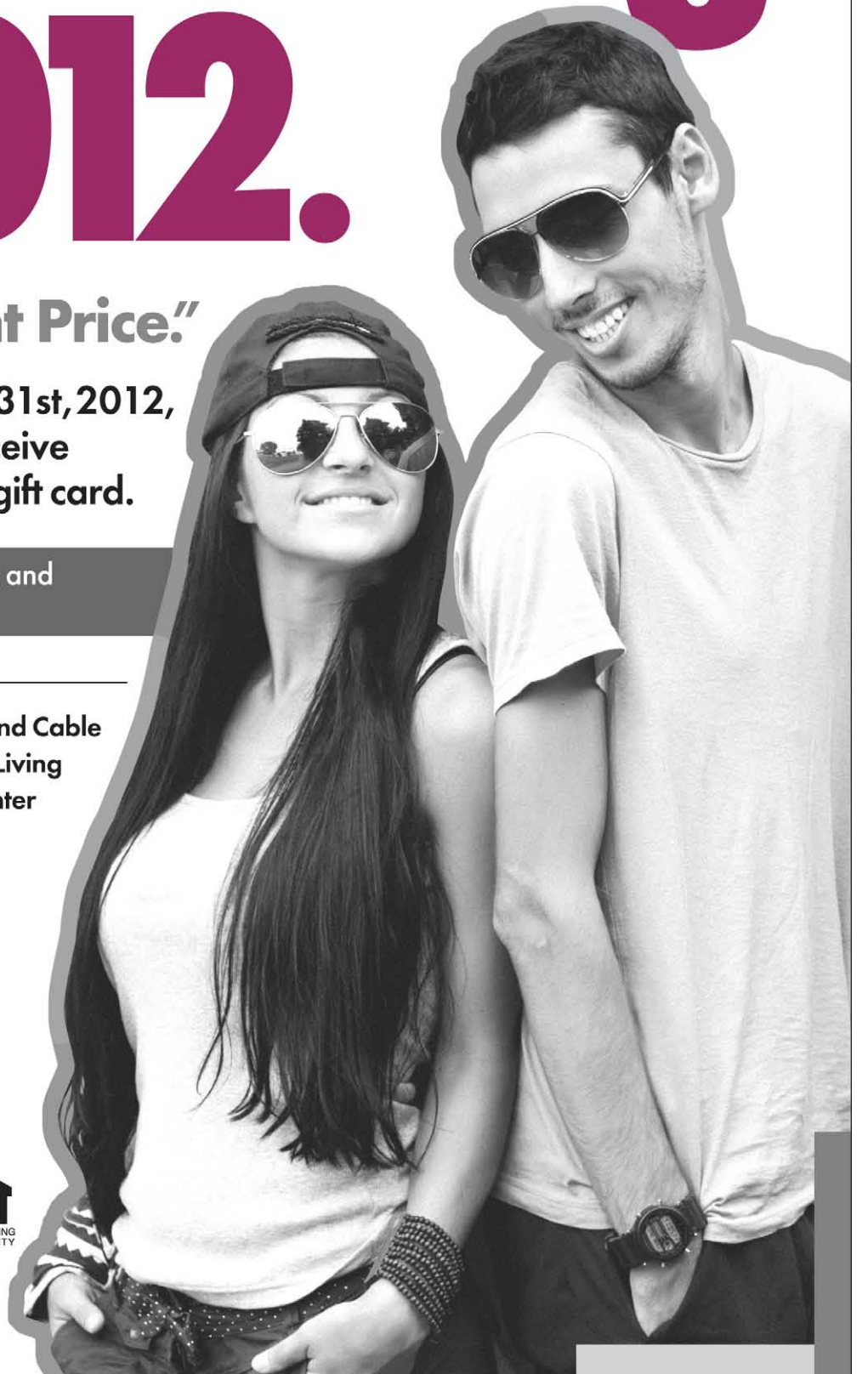
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increase would have the potential to generate an estimated \$700 million to \$800 million revenue to be used for educational funding, according to members of Perdue's office. For the average family, the increase would also result in an estimated \$15 increase per month in expenses.

House Majority Leader Paul Stam said he worries that increasing the sales tax in North Carolina could "hurt families and take a toll on already-struggling companies and lead to thousands of jobs lost in the private sector," according to WRAL.

Garner said, "I don't think it would hurt the N.C. economy. Who really is going to go elsewhere just because of a small, almost \$1, increase?"

Brittany Boone, a sophomore accounting major, said, "I think people would travel. I mean, people travel to other places all the time, like New York, so they would probably go to surrounding states."

Gov. Perdue said, "Education has always been part of the fabric of who we are as a people in North Carolina and it's the key to our future. We must stop the deep and unnecessary cuts that are going on in North Carolina's schools. That's why I'm for temporarily restoring three-quarters of the one-cent sales tax that the Republican-controlled General Assembly eliminated and for dedicating those funds to North Carolina schools."

Boone said, "I don't think people would like that at all. People would be outraged; there are many other ways that we raise money to help education."

The recent educational budget cuts eliminated approximately 4,000 vacant positions and 2,400 lay-offs of current positions, according to State Superintendent June Atkinson.

"Education is the key to our children's future and to North Carolina's economic


future. Investing in education is central to our ability to attract new jobs and busi-

nesses to our state. We owe it to our children and our state to stop these cuts and make

education a priority again — a fraction of a penny for progress," said Gov. Purdue.

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taught the class and about half the students in it have failed." Said's syllabus includes 10 bullet points of advice, with the very first bullet reflecting his worries: "Your worst enemy is attendance. Make every effort to attend class regularly."

"I know a lot about stats, and I try to teach to aid whatever major you are in," Said said.

Although Said said he tries to help his students out as much as he can, he believes that they just don't seem to put their priority on the mathematics course. "It is almost like they are so focused on their major-related classes that they don't even care about this one," Said said.

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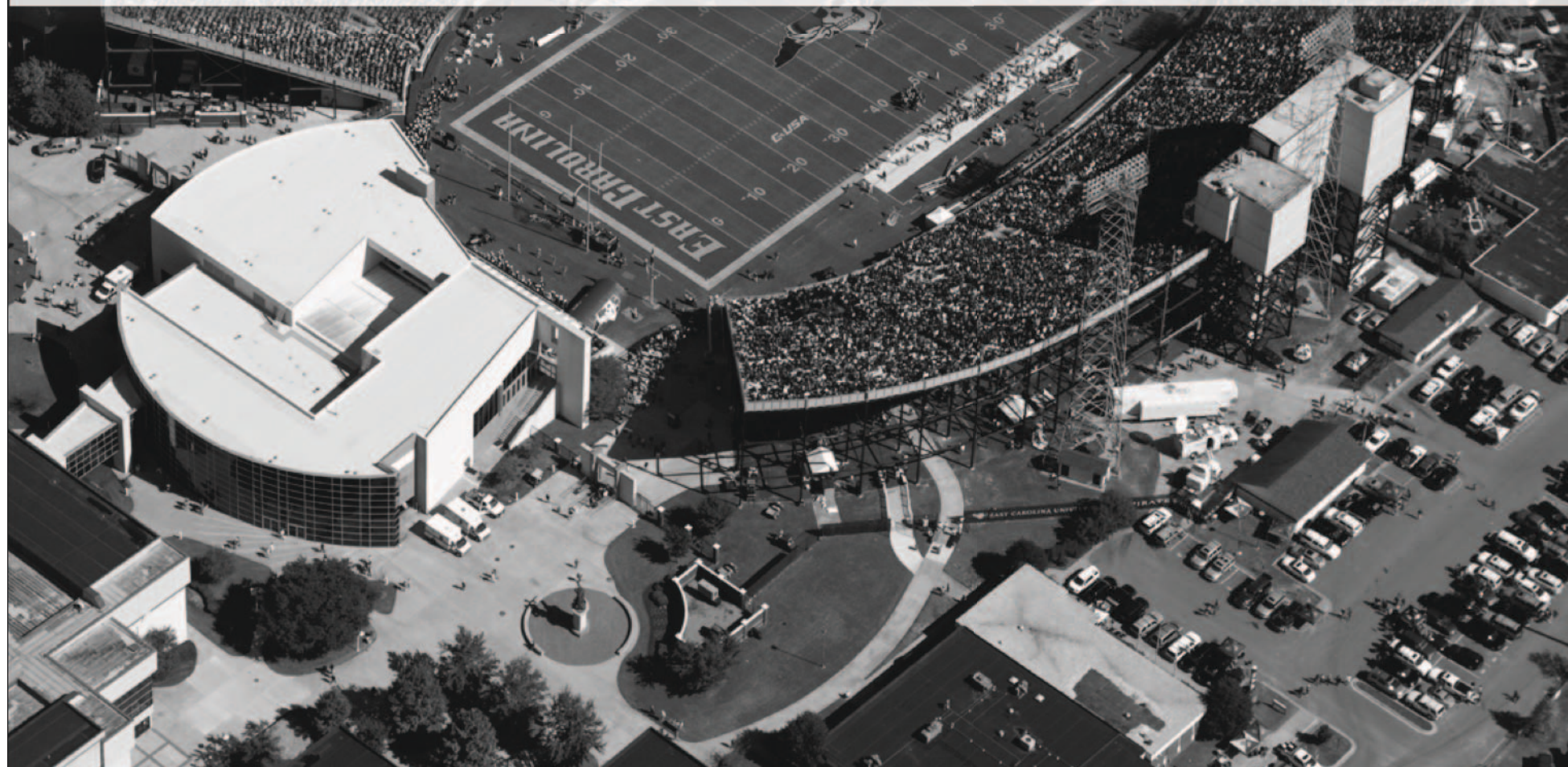
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Have a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.5

Have a class standing of sophomore or higher

This is a **paid** student position. All applicants must fill out a student homecoming chair application.

Applications can be picked up at the Mendenhall Student Center in the Student Activities/Organizations Office, or by emailing Emily McLamb, Homecoming Advisor, at mclambe@ecu.edu. All applicants must be submitted to Emily McLamb no later than February 3, 2012.



PIRATE RANTS

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I feel like all of my professors get together and plan how to make my life a living hell.

You stink dude. Stop being shy and go use the dorm showers. I CANNOT FOCUS!!

If your friends only take you out with them to be the DD, you might want to consider wasting your money on something other than being in Alpha Phi.

Honestly, if Brother Ross is going to Heaven I'd rather go to Hell.

Just because you can quote Twitter does not mean you know anything about politics...

You know you miss ECU when all you do at your GROWN UP job is read PIRATE Rants to your co-workers at UNC!

Am I the only person who can see "SmOkE wEeD" written in chalk on the side of SciTech? It has been there for months.

Why can't Pirate Rants just have their own page? Seriously, I don't want the whole paper.

Dear boss: I know you said that everyone should learn life isn't fair, but I think you should know life is great and you suck at your job.

Dear iDrive: At what BAC does a person lose their legal competency and forfeit their right to use your services?

Dear Professor, can you reschedule when my 15-page paper is due so I can watch the Super Bowl? Pretty, pretty please with a cherry on top?

I read Pirate Rants more than I use the \$500+ books that my professors "require" for class.

Everything that Vanilla Ice describes in "Ice Ice Baby" is in similitude with life as an ECU student.

If my vagina were a restaurant, it would be Subway: Where Winners Eat.

Dear Jesus man preaching on the Mall: I love how you are taking advantage of your freedom of speech, but I'm just trying to get to class, not burn my way into hell. Thanks.

If she wears silly bands to the club, she's too young for you bro.

ECU should have a history class on famous pirates. We are the Pirates after all.

Dear students, you can't read my handwriting on your papers because I needed an entire bottle of vodka before your paper made any sense. Sincerely, your professor.

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Politicians and baby diapers need changing often and for the same reason.

If you got it then flaunt it, but if you have too much of it ... please just put it away.

How did none of my rants get published last week?



ECU DIGITAL COLLECTIONS

Above: Evans Street circa 1966.



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Right: Fifth Street in 2011

What's the matter with Greenville?



Angus McKellar
OPINION
COLUMNIST

Graduate
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Sometimes, when I am having a beer at Winslow's, I like to wander away from the noise and activity of the bar. There, hanging on the walls in the back, are pictures of old Greenville. The sidewalks are filled with people strolling, cars line the streets, and signs overhang the bustling storefronts.

You won't see that now. The streets of downtown Greenville are empty during the day, and when you peer in the windows, you are more likely to see a reflection than a person inside. Only at night does downtown come alive, and Fifth Street has become choked with pool halls and third-rate dance clubs, which cater to the nightlife. ECU is famous for its party scene because, in this town, there is little else to do.

Despite all of the approximately 27,000 students attending school here, Greenville doesn't feel like a college town. Where are the Hare Krishnas, the socialist bookshops, the kids playing guitar on the sidewalk, the eccentrics, the hipsters, the booming coffee shops, the radicals, the reactionaries ... where is the weirdness and energy that makes college towns so special? How is it that this city, with a historic downtown located right on the edge of a huge university, cannot even sustain the simulacrum of college culture? What's the matter with Greenville?

We students are partly to blame. I am shocked at how many students have never seen the courthouse and do not know where Tippy Teapot is. Do people no longer explore? The first thing one ought to do on arriving in a new town is wander, discovering what a place has to offer. But maybe it is easier to drive to Greenville Boulevard rather than have to walk five hundred feet to Evans Street.

ECU has unwittingly played a part in downtown's demise as well, by creating a complex of fast-food joints that divert business away from the sandwich shops and restaurants located along Fifth and Evans streets.

We all suffer from living in a town that is lethargic and boring. But no one suffers more than ECU, and it is unlikely that the university will be able to achieve its institutional or educational goals as long as downtown Greenville continues to fail.

The best students want to be in a place that is exciting and interesting. Even a rinky-dink college like UNC-Asheville has transformed itself into a top-flight school simply by offering a vibrant and stimulating downtown as a reason to go there. Greenville offers little more than football and dollar-draft nights, which can only draw students for whom tailgating and tail-chasing are the limits of their imagination. And how can ECU retain its star faculty when Greenville cannot even offer an independent movie theater, a good music venue or even a good conversation?

It even affects athletics. ECU may show off its football stadium and become nostalgic about its tradition, but no amount of purple and gold can cover up the gray that is beneath. Recruiters at Chapel Hill, or Athens, Georgia, or Austin, Texas can offer the cities themselves: "Don't you want to be here?" they ask.

More importantly, Greenville's failing downtown compromises the very mission of the university. The college experience is about much more than taking classes and earning a degree; it is about opening eyes to the possibilities of culture, and transforming kids into literate, free-thinking adults.

When a college freshman buys his first Tom Waits album, or first tastes ethnic food, or stumbles through his first conversation about philosophy, he is going through a rite of passage that students everywhere ought to have. This takes place as much outside of the classroom as within. But it requires the kind of place that encourages cultural growth.

Greenville's business district, which seems to be an endless strip of box stores and chain restaurants, virtually ensures that you will never see or taste anything that you haven't seen or tasted before. As for personal growth, I am concerned that many students leave Greenville with little more than a diploma and a hangover.

The City of Greenville has made numerous efforts to inject life into its downtown, paying

for the upkeep of facades and making grants to small businesses to encourage growth. But the city has proven limited in its ability to drive revitalization; it cannot do it alone. ECU is the only player with the funds and power to make a decisive difference in downtown's fortunes. And if ECU is to ever accomplish its goals as a university, it must take dramatic steps to ensure downtown Greenville's prosperity.

Perhaps ECU should help to subsidize downtown businesses. A portion of campus living fees could be set aside as only spendable in designated locations downtown, such as The Scullery or Cubbies. Does this sound strange? Then perhaps you ought to consider Pirate Bucks, which every student living on campus is required to buy with their meal plans. Pirate Bucks, which can only be spent at campus dining facilities, act as a subsidy to the various Subways and Chick-fil-A's that permeate ECU.

Fast food on campus is convenient, for sure, but what are these restaurants bringing to the life of ECU students that merits the university effectively forcing students to buy there? A Chick-fil-A sandwich purchased at the Croatan tastes the same as a sandwich from any of the other 1,600-odd Chick-fil-A franchises that dot the South. A student eating here is not creating any memories that are particular to ECU, much less Greenville. Besides, most of these campus fast-food joints can prosper without university support: their central location and brand recognition ensure their survival.

ECU should consider either eliminating Pirate Bucks, which artificially raises the price of campus meal plans and drives money to campus fast-food joints, or it should consider transforming them into a tool that encourages students to use and discover downtown Greenville. Even the businesses that are not designated as places where Pirate Bucks can

be used would benefit. A student that goes to Courtside Café for an omelette will have to walk past the Scullery, Sojourner and Expressions. Who knows? They may decide to pop in after breakfast.

Another thing that ECU could do is open an upscale hotel near downtown. Other universities have found these to be quite profitable, as a nice place for parents to stay when they visit their children and as a place for alumni when they return to watch football and relive their college days. These guests will expect to find nice restaurants and a quaint downtown or at least something more charming than Memorial Drive has to offer.

Finally, has ECU considered locating classes on Evans Street? Even two or three classrooms used daily would bring several hundred students a week downtown, and the associated foot traffic would be a benefit to the shops, coffeehouses and restaurants in the area.

Lest students balk at the distance, let me remind you that Evans Street is closer than the Belk building or, God forbid, having to commute to West Campus. Renting space in these underused locations can hardly be more expensive than creating and maintaining new structures on campus.

Savannah College of Art and Design has used this model in its own efforts at city revitalization, purchasing and renovating historic buildings for the school's use. These efforts have not only helped transform Savannah into a tourist destination, but also made SCAD an attractive college to students, despite the hefty tuition.

These moves would place ECU at the forefront of city revitalization and draw national attention to the university. More importantly, they would help turn Greenville into the kind of place it needs to be. The kind of place where we want to be.

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Cancer (June 21 -July 22)
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Keep your money where it is today — there are no investment opportunities that are as good as they appear to be at first glance. That's not to say that you should turn into a miser, though!



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Your critical thinking is as sharp as ever, but it might cut a friend's ego if you wield it too freely. Try to keep your advice positive, and reserve the rough stuff for those you know can handle the truth.



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You need to accept that sometimes things don't go as planned — like today! That does not mean everything is falling apart, just that you need to be ready to adapt to evolving circumstances.



Scorpio (Oct 23 -Nov 21)
Your softer side is out in force today, so you ought to be able to show your sweetie how it is — or to attract a new sweetie, if that's where you're at in life today. Think about what you really want!



Sagittarius (Nov 22 -Dec 21)
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Aquarius (Jan 20 -Feb 18)
Nobody likes dealing with finances — there's always something better to do! You need to focus on your spending, though, as it is way too easy for you to break the bank on a day like today.



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Try to reach out and expand your social circles today — your energy is strong enough to take whatever comes your way. It gets better — your own situation is strengthened when you bond with others.



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Beerfest



into Pirate Nation

RYAN HARPER | THE EAST CAROLINIAN

Corinne Kuziw pours beer on tap at Winslow's. The restaurant is one of the sponsors for Saturday's Annual Jolly Skull Beerfest at the Convention Center.

Leila Falls
STAFF WRITER

The Beer Army is tapping into Greenville's tastes for round two of the Annual Jolly Skull Beerfest at the Convention Center on Saturday with more than 190 craft beers. From the ales stouting onto the Viking-worthy meads to Dubbleliscious, Companion, Kill-A Man Irish Red and 'Til the Bitter End, beers will be flowing.

The idea for Beer Army came when founder and beer enthusiast Dustin Canestorp asked fellow Marine buddies their opinion on his home-brewed beers during Spring 2008. "After all, the Marine Corps were born in a tavern in Pennsylvania," said Canestorp, whose Marine roots inspired the use of a Latin phrase to convey his message: "Poto Cervesia," which means "drink beer."

Poto Cervesia is written on the logo that was designed from a photo of Canestorp's barking Doberman — an interesting image that became the symbol of the Beer Army.

"Beer Marine doesn't roll off the tongue," said Canestorp as he described Beer Army's history. "Plus, (the domain) beerarmy.com was available," laughed Canestorp.

Canestorp wanted to spread his passion for beer throughout the already-growing microbrewery success in Eastern North Carolina.

"I want this part of N.C. to become a beer destination," said

Canestorp as he brought up the summer tourism around the OBX and Atlantic Beach.

Although Canestorp lives in Maysville, his haven is New Bern — home of Beery Army's first Brew Bern Beerfest in June 2010. Afterward, the success moved onward to Greenville.

The purpose of the festivals is to expand beer knowledge and provide an opportunity to raise money for charities. This year, there will be philanthropy support for the Museum of the Marine and the North Carolina's Brewers Guild.

"N.C. is becoming a beer state with three breweries. I want to bring on a beer revolution," said Canestorp, who hopes to one day build a brewery and have a Beer Army brand of beer.

"Twenty-two percent of craft beer sales have grown in Pitt County in the last 12 months, and 12 percent growth in sales nationally," said Canestorp while discussing his newly-revealed project to open the Beer Army Bottle Armory in New Bern.

Winslow's, located in downtown Greenville, is this year's presenting sponsor. "We're the leader in craft beer in Greenville, so we found each other quickly," said Winslow's general manager Katherine Wetherington. "Plus, we're just really big fans."

The unofficial meeting spot for the brewers and the official pre-party full of giveaways will begin

on Friday night, when Winslow's will unveil its 46 taps of Beerfest-featured specials, which continues through Sunday.

"We also have 220 bottled beers and a lot will be at Beerfest," said bar manager Ashley Wetherington.

Winslow's will be serving two types of sandwiches, chips and soft pretzels at its expo booth at Beerfest, then providing a free trolley ride after the event to Winslow's and then back to the Convention Center for car pickup. "It continues the Winslow's experience afterwards," said Katherine, who believes Beerfest is a dream event.

Canestorp changed the event to an earlier time to avoid cutting into the local business nightlife. As a result, the official after party is at Tie Breakers at 7 p.m.

The Beerfest event ends at 6 p.m. for everyone, but begins for the \$35 general admission tickets at 2:30 p.m. The newly-added \$50 VIP tickets allow entrance at 1 p.m. for the indulgence of limited-release beers.

"Beer enthusiasts should definitely get VIP. For example, Brooklyn Brewery is bringing a 2007 vintage chocolate stout," said Canestorp, who thinks it's important to purchase tickets to avoid the extra line and potential sold-out status of the festival.

The \$15 designated driver ticket is a new safety awareness option, alongside the nearby hotels and taxi service discounts.

"We want people to be safe," said Canestorp, who explained that designated driver tickets have a different color wristband and no tasting glass.

"It's fun for socializing, but really about showing varieties and redefining beers for people," said Canestorp, who appreciates the right beer and meal flavor combination, even before becoming a certified beer judge.

"We love the challenge of a customer who likes only domestics," said Katherine after she explained the mini-beerfest that Ashley does on Mondays, when an appointment is scheduled through their website.

"People don't want to order a \$4 beer then take a sip and not like it," said Ashley, explaining the importance of finding the right beers.

More women have discovered their beer tastes. A 30 percent increase says Canestorp who enjoys helping people find the X-marks-the-spot good beer that they can score in their festival pamphlet.

"When I see all the people line up, it's an accomplishment for the team," said Canestorp, who is eager for the new beer fans, beer enthusiasts, volunteers, sponsors and brewers to all come aboard.

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MTV helps students with college

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From the people who immortalized the music video industry, brought to light the "GTL" craze of Jersey Shore and pushed out the inner recklessness with "Jackass" and "Nitro Circus," MTV has teamed up and created a college-friendly app to help students in receiving money for college.

On Jan. 18, Devin Valencia, MTV and College Board saw their newest brainchild come to life. With the help of Facebook, MTV and its partners have created an online Facebook app that guides students in finding and filling out scholarships.

"We know that college affordability is a major issue for our audience," said Jake Urbanski, MTV senior publicist. "If we can connect with our fans on the issues that are important to them and support them, we're going to be a much more meaningful brand."

With the simple application of a few key words and the press of a button, up to "\$6 billion in available scholarship aid and \$45 billion in federal and state grants," arrive at a student's fingertips, said an MTV spokesperson. Within seconds, applications will flood the screen and beg to be completed. And with "My College Dollars" tools, such as "My Calendar," applicants can "save any key deadlines to your calendar, including state deadlines and scholarship deadlines, even if you haven't started working on it," said Urbanski.

Along with the hundreds of scholarship applications available, My College Dollars also gives step-by-step instructions on how to complete the dreaded, yet sometimes helpful, FAFSA form. But if these step-by-step instructions weren't helpful enough, financial aid advice from celebrities such as pop icon Jason Derulo give further insight into how to successfully get the help

students need to succeed, how to talk to parents about the necessity for college and more.

But if Jason Derulo wasn't enough to get a student motivated, My College Dollars "provides connections to peers and experts for support and guidance, as well as the ability to share and track each other's progress in the process," said an MTV spokesperson.

With the technology of instant online communication, MTV saw that it was important for students to be connected through Facebook because it "offers an easy way to walk each other through the process of finding money for college and sharing tips," said Urbanski.

Since its creation only a week ago, Urbanski said that the "traffic has been steadily increasing

as students share it with their friends," and adults and experts have said they wished something like this has been created a lot earlier.

To get started with the My College Dollars application set up, Pirates can go to MyCollegeDollars.com and fill out the initial information that will eventually help sort out the list of scholarships. Within the scholarship search field, information such as age, gender and state are required, whereas extra information about someone's intended major, ethnic background and current school can also be provided to help further narrow down a student's scholarship

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A student browses MTV's new Facebook application that helps students find scholarships that they're eligible for.

'The Little Couple' star comes to Greenville

Staff Reports

On Tuesday, ECU brought Dr. Jennifer Arnold (left), star of TLC Network's, "The Little Couple," to the university to talk with students, faculty and staff about facing and overcoming obstacles and challenges someone might deal with in life.

Arnold, who is the medical director of the Texas Children's Hospital's pediatric simulation center and assistant professor of pediatrics at Baylor College of Medicine, was brought to speak by ECU's Campus Living Diversity Education Team, The Residence Hall Association and Student Involvement and Leadership.

Due to a rare form of skeletal dysplasia, better known as dwarfism, Arnold, who is 3 feet 2 inches tall, didn't let her disorder damper her dreams of becoming a doctor.



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To make sure that the newest, most pertinent scholarships are available, MTV works "closely with College Board to make sure we have a complete list of scholarships available for students," said an MTV spokesperson about collaborating with other organizations.
And to make things even better, MTV and the Get Schooled non-profit organization working with My College Dollars are offering rewards for signing up and applying. The grand prize includes a \$500 gift card and two tickets to MTV's highly-anticipated "Video Music Awards." Other prizes include gift cards ranging from \$100-\$500 for people who sign up and save a scholarship within the next six weeks.

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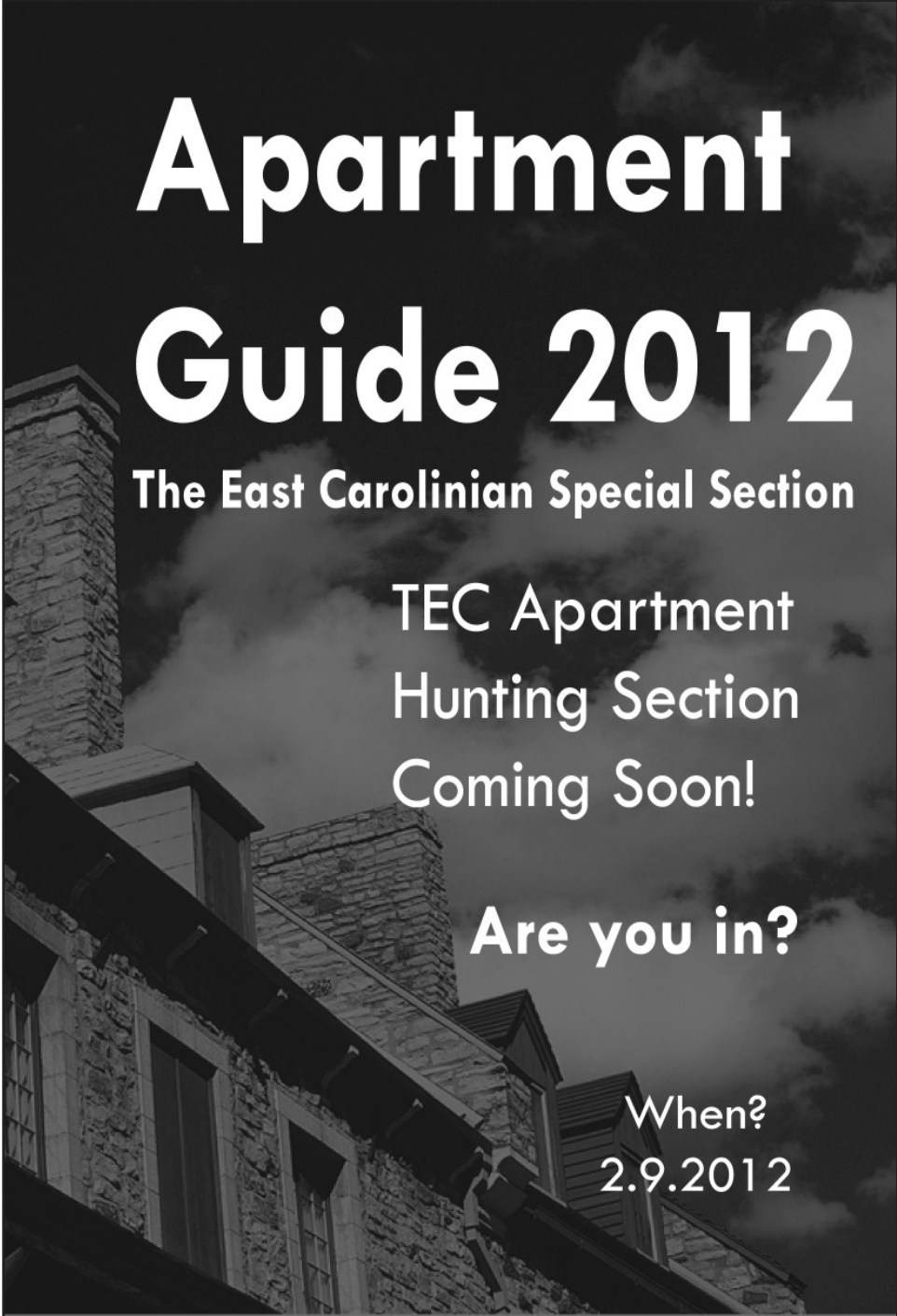
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Athletic self-reports NCAA violation

Staff Reports

ECU Director of Athletics Terry Holland announced Tuesday that Head Baseball Coach Billy Godwin will serve a two-week suspension without pay as a department-imposed corrective action for a self-reported National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) violation that involved impermissible housing benefits for volunteer coaches.

Godwin's suspension will prohibit the seventh-year skipper from performing any coaching, recruiting or administrative duties from Feb. 1 to Feb. 14. He will also be issued a formal letter of reprimand from Holland for his involvement in the infraction.

After a five-month investigation, ECU Office of Athletics Compliance officials discovered that from Fall 2004, one year before Godwin's appointment as head baseball coach, to 2011, four volunteer coaches received impermissible housing benefits.

As an additional term of the corrective measure, the volunteer coach position at East Carolina has been suspended for one calendar year, retroactive to Oct. 17, 2011.

Repayments of the improper housing benefits by three coaches during Godwin's tenure have already been submitted, received and verified, while the baseball program and ECU Educational Foundation (Pirate Club) staff have completed ancillary NCAA rules education training. Revisions to donor gift-in-kind and contributed services approval forms, and the procedural documentation of rental agreements by future volunteer coaches have also been implemented.

ECU submitted its report to the NCAA on Dec. 12, and will now await the association's official ruling, which is expected in the near future.

Impermissible benefits, gifts and services to other ECU sports, coaches and student-athletes were not found during the process of the self-investigation.

Godwin, who owns a 217-138 record as the Pirates' head coach, has led East Carolina to NCAA Regional appearances in four of six seasons. ECU, which will begin its in-season practice schedule tomorrow and open the 2012 campaign on Feb. 17, turned in a 41-21 mark and advanced to the Charlottesville Regional a year ago.

In his absence, Godwin said, assistant coach Nick Schnabel will fill his role on a daily basis.

Football series to begin with BYU

Staff Reports

ECU and BYU have agreed to a two-year, home-and-home football series in 2017 and 2018, according to a joint announcement by both institutions Wednesday.

In 2017, the Pirates will open the series by welcoming the Cougars to Dowdy-Ficklen Stadium before a trip to LaVell Edwards Stadium in Provo, Utah, a year later.

BYU is coming off its first season as a football independent in 2011, with a 10-3 record and a 24-21 victory over Conference USA member Tulsa in the Bell Helicopter Armed Forces Bowl. The Cougars finished the year ranked No. 25 in the USA Today Coaches Poll, earning a spot in the final top-25 poll for the fifth time in the last six seasons.

The Cougars began playing football in 1922. In 87 seasons, BYU has earned 23 conference titles and appeared in 30 bowl games, winning five of its last six bowl appearances. The Cougars won the National Championship in 1984.

ECU posted a 5-7 record and third-place finish in C-USA's East Division during the 2011 campaign. Despite having 25 players start their first career games in 2011, the Pirates rebounded from a 1-4 start to a 4-3 finish and narrowly missed making their sixth-straight bowl appearance.



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Guard Miguel Paul (0) attempts to drive past a Southern Miss defender on Wednesday night.

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Still winless in C-USA

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For the first 10 minutes of action inside Minges Coliseum the Pirates looked like they would be on their way to snapping a five game conference losing streak. If only a game was 10 minutes long.

After beginning the game with a fight that had been missing for weeks ECU was unable to fight for the whole 40 minutes falling 72-60 Wednesday night.

The tale of the Pirates 6th consecutive loss can be traced back to a 31-point disparity in bench points and a rebounding edge that favored Southern Miss by 17.

"Offensive rebounding really hurt us," head coach Jeff Lebo said following the Pirates 12-point defeat. "Not having offensive production from our bench at all really hurt us. We had too many guys who didn't give us any kind of offensive production in the game."

Point guard Miguel Paul had his second straight 20 point game as he put in 21 points while playing 30 minutes. After the game Paul was asked to reflect on his decision to transfer to ECU in the aftermath of Missouri's top ten ranking. To Paul's credit, he remained confident in his decision.

"They are a great team," Paul said in response to the question. "I still talk to a lot of my former teammates. They understand that I wanted to help another program win, I told Lebo there are a lot of players here that could play on that team I promise you that."

Coming out of the half in a big hole, ECU replicated the quick start they got off to in the first half, trimming the Golden Eagles lead down to seven just 6:38 into the second stanza. But seven was as close as the Pirates would get as USM exploded for a 10-4 run over the next 3:46 to basically seal the deal.

"That's a good basketball team we lost to," Lebo

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Home meet ends on high note

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The swimming and diving teams swept Saturday's meet inside Minges Natatorium against William & Mary. The win ensured the men's squad a winning record for the 29th consecutive season.

The men's squad improved to 4-3 on the season, while the Pirate women's team now stands at 7-2.

The men registered a 165.5 - 122.5 mark against William & Mary, while the women beat the Tribe 150 - 136. The Pirate women also topped Campbell's women's team with a score of 193-101.

"I'm extremely pleased with where we are," swimming and diving Coach Rick Kobe said.

For the men's squad, freshman Rokas Cepulis registered a win in three of the individual events. He won the 100-yard breast-

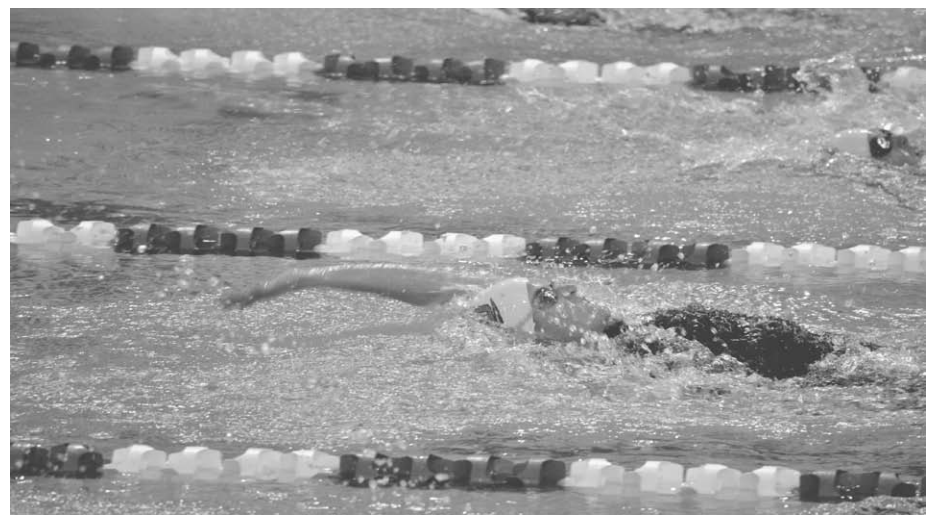
stroke with a time of 57.50, the 200-yard breaststroke at 2:06.20, and the 200-yard individual medley at 1:54.50.

"Rokas is emerging as one of our stars," said Coach Kobe. "He's really someone to watch at our conference meets."

Another freshman, Nikola Simic, won two swims for the Pirates, registering first in the 100-yard freestyle event with a time of 46.52 and first in the 200-yard freestyle with a time of 1:41.49. Simic finished second in the 50-yard freestyle (21.42), just four-hundredths of a second behind William & Mary's Andrew Strait.

Sophomore Attila Kiraly took first place in the 200-yard backstroke with a time of 1:53.70 and placed second in the 200-yard individual medley with a time of 1:58.58.

The Pirate men's team of Cepulis, freshman Andre Smedstad, senior Ailton Temotio and junior Geof-



Kelsey Brosi swims the backstroke at a meet in Fall 2011.

frey Bobsin won the 400-yard medley relay with a mark of 3:25.25. The 200-yard freestyle relay team of Simic, Bobsin, Temotio and freshman Jeffrey Mead finished second with a time of 1:25.38.

Senior Natalia Favoreto led the women's team with a pair of victories. Favoreto won the 100-yard butterfly

with a time of 57.57 and the 50-yard freestyle with a time of 24.09. Junior Holly Berenotto won the 200-yard freestyle with a time of 1:54.43 and placed second in the 100-yard freestyle with a time of 52.78. Freshman Lauren Gray registered a meet-best of 2:07.67 in her 200-yard butterfly win.

Senior Kristen Giese

won the 100-yard breaststroke with a mark of 1:06.60. Giese finished in third place for the 200-yard breaststroke with a time of 2:06.11. Sophomore Anna Gibas won the 100-yard backstroke with a time of 57.81, while also finishing second in the 200-yard indi-

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Basketball builds for future success



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Williams Arena at Minges Coliseum is shared by several athletic programs.



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Recently, I was sitting in class talking to a

friend of mine. In conversation, she brought up the "Virtual Bowl" campaign that the Pirate Club ran right after the disappointing end to the 2011 football season.

Of course, the whole thing was just a clever way to secure donations for the "Step Up to

the Highest Level" campaign, which is the catchy name that the athletic department has put on its fundraising efforts to build a new \$15 million practice facility for the men's and women's basketball teams.

My classmate remarked that she did not like the fact that we, as students, were being asked to help fund this thing, and that she didn't see any reason why the basketball program needed a new building when they get to practice at Minges Coliseum and at North Campus Crossing.

First off, we didn't pay for it — at least not totally. Currently, approximately \$13 million has

been raised for the project, leaving ECU about \$2 million short of its goal. So far, most of which has been raised was through donations to the athletic department by various boosters and alumni; a couple of which pledged a cool \$1 million to help get the complex constructed. Not to mention that "Virtual Bowl" actually raised almost \$15,000 on top of that.

But beyond that, and more to the point, the programs do need their own facility, and here's why.

No one who has a shred of knowledge about ECU will confuse it with a so-called "basketball school." Unlike in-state counterparts like North Carolina, Duke or Wake Forest where basketball trumps all other sports, ECU is a school where fans care about football first and everything else second.

That said, this is still North Carolina, and people around here still love college basketball and are yearning for the Pirates to give them something to cheer about on the hardwood.

But in order for ECU's basketball programs to truly reach the "highest level," they must first be housed in surroundings that match that mantra, and that sparkling new practice building they want to build adjacent to Minges would be a huge step in that direction.

Look at what the men's and women's basketball programs have to do now just to practice in their

own building at Minges. Not only do they have to schedule around each other, but they also have to deal with volleyball, fall graduation, and even EXSS classes that use Williams Arena inside Minges.

You think there are any other programs in the country that are worth anything that have to do that? Me either. Even schools in our own conference like UCF, UTEP, and SMU have their own practice facilities for their basketball programs.

Building this facility is going to make ECU look like it cares about its basketball programs. Minges, while homey on the inside, is over 40 years old and only seats 8,000 people. It looks small by most basketball arena standards, especially given the behemoth that Dowdy-Ficklen Stadium has grown into right next to it. The 48,000-square-foot building that is planned would bring ECU basketball back to the forefront up on Charles Boulevard and at least give off the appearance that hoops is a big deal around here.

A gleaming new complex would also give the place a little more "pizzazz" when recruits come to town. It's tough to say whether or not Pirate basketball's lack of facilities has truly hindered recruiting, but it's safe to assume that most high-ranked prospects probably aren't clamoring to come

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to a program that has to deal with all the aforementioned roadblocks just to get into their own building to work on their game.

Being able to dazzle recruits with a state-of-the-art facility where they can lift weights, watch film, and have access to their own gyms for practice would likely go a long way in securing the absolute most-

talented players possible for both the men's and women's programs.

The path to success for ECU basketball is simple: For the fans to come, the basketball has to be good. For the basketball to be good, great players have to want to play for the Pirates. For great players to want to attend ECU, they have to have top-notch facilities.

That's why men's and women's hoops having their own building is not just important; it could be the biggest determining factor between the Pirate basketball programs languishing in mediocrity or truly ascending to the highest level.

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said. "They are well coached, well disciplined and very tough. Give them credit they did the things that make them good. That's the stuff that hurt us tonight."

Improvement in all phases of the game was how an observer could describe the first ten minutes of action in the first half for the ECU Pirates. However, status quo described the final 10 as the Pirates turned a six point

advantage into a 15 point deficit in a matter of minutes.

USM closed the first half on a 29-8 run in 10:26 of game action, taking a 38-23 advantage into the halftime break.

Paul led all scorers in the game with his 21 points on 5-of-11 shooting, including 3-of-4 from behind the 3-point line. Joining Paul in double figures was Morrow and Erin Straughn who each

scored 14 points.

Southern Miss had five players score in double figures. Forward Jonathan Mills scored a team high 13 points, while Page added 12, Dodson and Torye Pelham netted 10 and Neil Watson scored 11.

The Pirates return to action Saturday night at 8 p.m. when they visit UAB.

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vidual medley with a 2:09.17 time. Gibas finished fifth in the 200-yard backstroke as well.

The Pirate women finished second in both relays. The team of senior Kylie Francis, juniors Pamela Hess and Heather O'Toole and freshman Charlise Lincoln registered a time of 3:59.00 in the 400-yard medley. Senior Kali Gaskill, Favoreto, O'Toole and Berenotto barely missed first place, losing to William & Mary, 1:35.82 to 1:35.48.

The Pirates return to action this Friday to face South Carolina and Vanderbilt at 5 p.m. in Columbia, S.C.

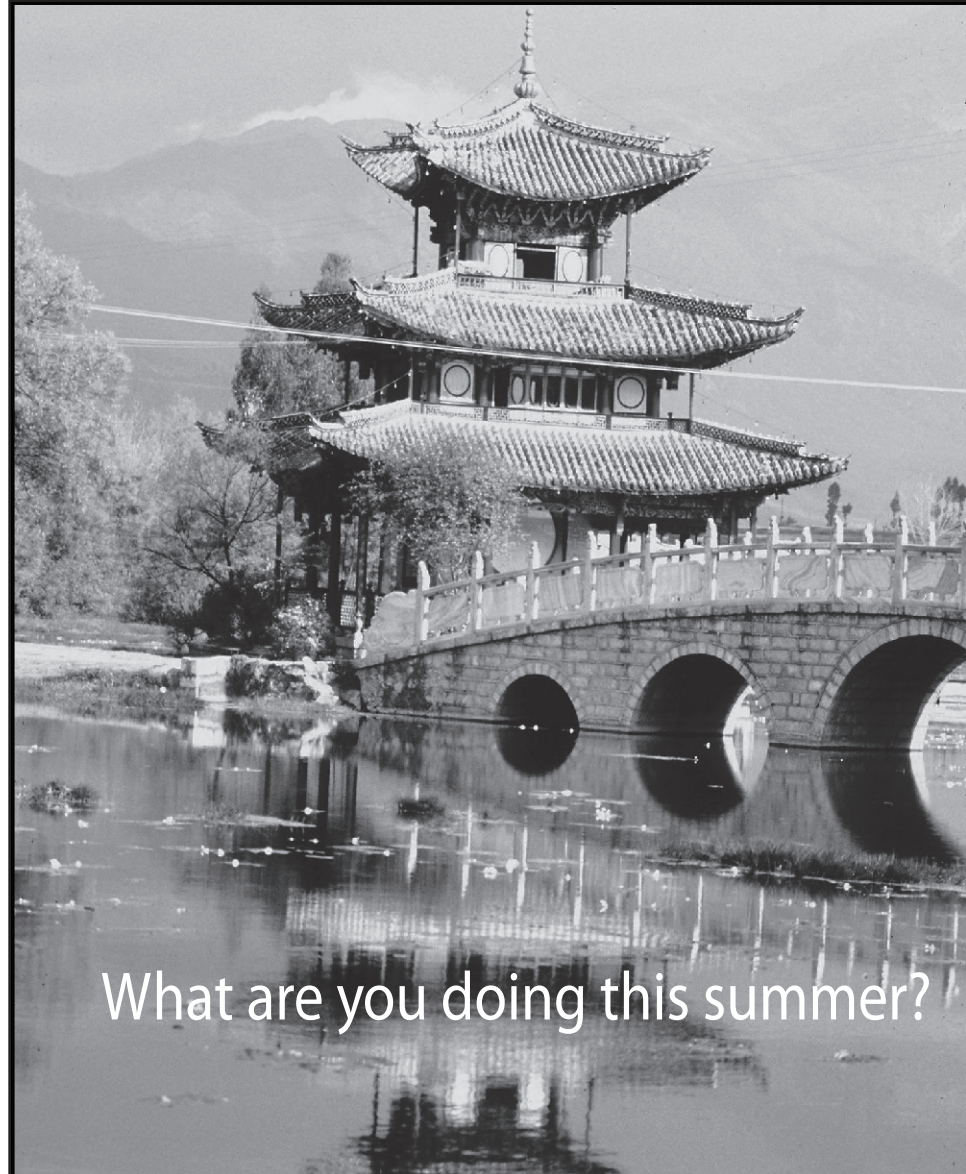
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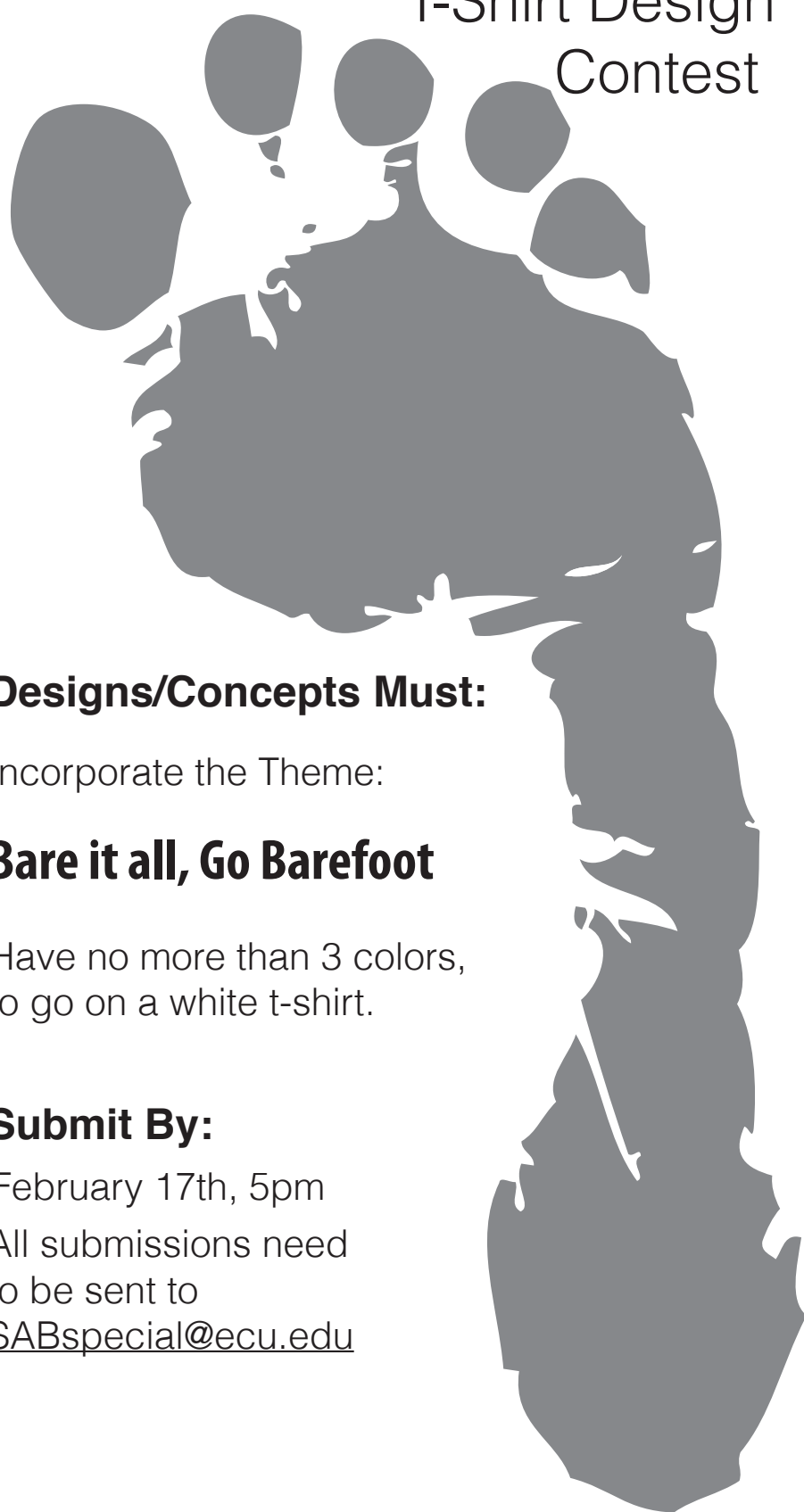
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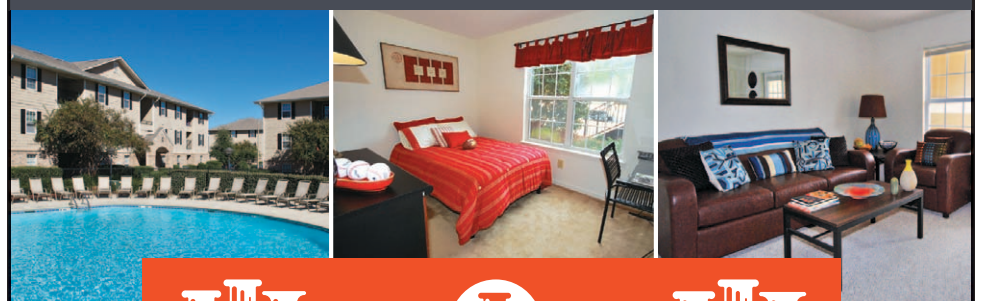
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