



Curtis McGraw discusses human trafficking concert.

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## Flags lowered for Marines

Following the death of seven U.S. marines on March 18, U.S. and N.C. flags will be flown at half-mast on April 23 from sunrise to sunset. The seven marines were killed in a training exercise at Nevada's Hawthorne Army Depot; several other marines were also injured. All marines killed were based out of North Carolina's Camp Lejeune.

Flags were previously lowered last week in response to the Boston Marathon deaths.

## 'FaculTea' hosts English professor Jerome Loving

Joyner Library will be hosting Jerome Loving at their April 25 FaculTea, a lecture series that began in 2008 that includes tea, snacks and a research presentation.

Loving has been an English professor at Texas A&M University since 1973 and has written four novels including "Mark Twain: The Adventures of Samuel L. Clemens." He will speak at the event in a lecture titled, "Mark Twain's Civil War Confession."

The event is supported by the David Julian and Virginia Suther Whichard Distinguished Professorship in the Humanities.

## Board of Trustees meets

The outgoing chair of the Board of Trustees, Bob Lucas, was honored Thursday with a certificate of appreciation. Lucas also served as the Student Government Association President in 1974-75.

The meeting also spoke about the new student centers and the aims of the new complexes. The members hope to make the new centers better suited for student needs. They also spoke about the replacement of Belk Residence Hall as well as the upgrading of White, Clement and Greene hall. They hope to have these renovations by Fall 2015.

The board members also discussed making the campus more pedestrian friendly. These improvements could include closing the street entrance to campus by the Bate building and adding more sidewalks.

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# New addition to uptown

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Demolition started last week to begin building a student apartment complex at the intersection of Evans Street and Reade Circle.

Developers Tom Taft and Jim Ward are building the \$40 million complex, which has yet to be named.

Mike McCarty, the director of development for Taft Family Offices, said the apartment complex has an edge over other student living because of its "truly walkable location."

"There are few places in town that have the amenities that everyone is used to, but you don't have to have a car," said McCarty.

Being less than 100 feet away from main campus provides students with the same conveniences

as living on campus.

"(Students) get access to the library, Campus Recreation and Mendenhall Student Center," said McCarty.

The complex, which has a pedestrian and student focus, will feature a first floor dedicated to retail space. The four floors above it will be student housing. The 245 apartments will have 550 beds and be available in studio or one, two, three and four bedrooms, with every room having its own bathroom.

The complex will span four acres and will be 11,000 square feet, taking up the entire block. Along with the retail space, other amenities include three courtyards with pool and volleyball and a 429 spot parking deck.



COURTESY OF MIKE MCCARTY

The \$40 million complex will house 245 student apartments next to campus.

The project began later than anticipated because of economic struggles.

"We tried to start it a couple

times, and for the past year we've been really deep into the design

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# Running strong



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The Pirate football team lifts eight-year-old Noah Roberts on their shoulders after his touchdown run in the spring game.

## Inspiring story caps Purple-Gold game

Saturday's contest was highlighted by a player not on the ECU roster, but one that still resides in the program. Eight-year-old Noah Roberts scored a touchdown on the teams final play, but he is still running today thanks to the video that went viral. ESPN, CBS Sports and many other outlets have latched onto his story and his struggle against Neurofibromatosis.

Neurofibromatosis is a genetic disorder of the

nervous system. It mainly affects how nerve cells form and grow. It causes tumors to grow on nerves. Strength and Training Coach Jeff Connors brought Roberts into the program about two years ago and the program has certainly embraced his fight with cancer. Roberts was put back into the hospital on Monday to go through more testing and treatment. **For game coverage, turn to A6.**

## Developer aims to revitalize uptown

David Rush  
STAFF WRITER

Last week, a private developer unveiled plans to transform six downtown Greenville properties into mixed-use office and retail space.

CommunitySmith, a Raleigh-based commercial real estate firm that specializes in regional adaptive re-use and downtown revitalization, is developing plans for four new structures. Construction on the project is slated to begin in the fall with targeted completion by 2014.

The plans call for construction at 201, 203, 205 and 207 E. 5th St., 417 Cotanche St. and 703 Dickson Ave. The new structures are expected to house approximately 22,000 square feet of professional offices and stores.

Similar to shopping districts in Raleigh and Chapel Hill, the new buildings will be a one-stop shopping destination in a central downtown location.

The project will likely include up to \$4 million in private investment and is expected to qualify for local, state and federal funds, said CommunitySmith managing partner Holton Wilkerson.

"This redevelopment will lead the way in transforming a key block on 5th Street from an underperforming area to an attractive space between the university and Uptown Greenville," said Wilkerson.

Greenville mayor Allen Thomas said in a press release that this is another indication of the great transformation happening in Uptown Greenville.

"We are fortunate to have excellent partners like CommunitySmith serving as catalysts. It is exciting to watch this take shape in the heart of Greenville as the area continues its conversion into a true focal point of vibrancy for our citizens to live, work and play," said Thomas.

Carl Rees, economic development manager for the City of Greenville, said the idea behind the project is to bring more people to the downtown area and to better utilize the properties, some of which are not currently in use.

"Some of these buildings are empty or only used for a few hours at night. I think you'll see stores and offices that are much more vibrant and will employ people throughout the day," said Rees.

According to Rees, the developers will retain the historic value of the properties.

"A number of the buildings being looked at are toward the end of their lifespan. They are looking old, tired and dilapidated. The developers will redo the buildings and get them closer to what they have historically looked like," Rees said.

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## Barefoot: A Pirate A-Fair

Students anticipate 35th annual festival

## Staff Reports

This Thursday, the annual Barefoot on the Mall event will once again sprawl its way across campus. The theme for this year's Student Activities Board event will be "A Pirate A-Fair" with carnival-themed food and events.

A Coca-Cola sponsored host, Motor Mouth Mike, will emcee the event that takes place from 2 to 8 p.m. and will be giving away prizes to students.

Aramark will be providing turkey legs, fried Oreos, corn and popcorn for students. Those interested can use either OneCards or cash to pay for food and beverages.

Inflatable activities will include jousting, obstacle courses, human foosball and more games. Dozens of booths will also be present to represent numerous university organizations.

The Battle of the Bands winner, Coppertones, will start off the musical festivities at 3 p.m. Brett Young, a Californian making waves in the country music industry, will then begin his set at 5 p.m. The musical event concludes with headliner Lauren Alaina, an American Idol alumna country star, taking the stage at 7 p.m.

After the conclusion of Barefoot, the SAB Films committee will be hosting a special outdoor screening of the hit comedy, "Pitch Perfect." The film will begin at 8:15 p.m. on the mall.

The annual end-of-the-year festival first began on campus in 1979 with an attendance of 200 students. These numbers grew to 8,000 students during last year's "Bare It All" event. Over the years, the Barefoot stage has hosted such large names as Jason Mraz, John Mayer, Jason Derulo and Carolina Liar. Last year, New Boyz headlined, while Matt Phillips and The Philharmonic, Thicke as Thieves and The Ethnographers opened for the hip-hop group.

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work," said McCarty.

Construction on the parking deck will begin this summer, and the "sticks and lumber" building will begin around February, said McCarty. The project's anticipated completion is May 2015, so students may move in before the start of summer 2015 classes.

"We're really excited," said McCarty. "We think it's going to do a lot for Greenville. It instigates and promotes other developers...we hope this is the first in the long line of private development. It makes for a better quality of life."

Taft owned the Georgetown Apartments, which were torn down for the project.

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Demolition began to clear land for a student complex in uptown.

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Some students expressed interest in the redevelopment, citing an opportunity for student jobs and an increased value to the community.

"Anything that can bring any kind of value to downtown and job opportunity is welcome," said Ryan Lake, a junior biomedical engineering major.

Lake also said it is important the redevelopment will restore the historical look of the buildings.

"Any time you can get something back to original with a little bit of modern taste, that's important," he said.

However, other students

expressed concern that the redevelopment would lessen downtown Greenville as a nightlife destination for students.

"I think it's good because it would offer jobs to students, but they could put it somewhere else. (The nightlife) downtown is crazy," said Shaylan Miller, a freshman nursing major.

The property on Cotanche Street once housed Rumors nightclub, and 203 E. 5th St. is occupied by Smoke Out hookah lounge.

The project includes construction and engineering by Rehab Builders Inc. and Rehab Engineers Inc. with architectural design

by Dunn and Dalton of Kinston.

Efforts are underway with local stakeholders to populate the buildings with new occupants to stimulate additional economic development.

According to Executive Director of Uptown Greenville, Bianca Shoneman, the 27,000 students at the university have a combined spending power of more than \$600 million a year.

Last month, another private firm announced plans for a multi-million dollar student apartment complex and new parking deck.

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Getting real tired of these tours. Try and run me off the sidewalk and not even attempt to move slightly to the side while passing me? Have some respect, I've gotta get to class.

There were some hotties at the AIMO Fashion show.

Whenever I see a really hot girl with an ugly guy, I think "Klondike bar."

If there's grass on the field, play ball!

You'll always be "My little Redhead and my Pirate nurse."

I feel like the return to colder temps is nature's way of saying "Whoa Nelly...that work of art needs a little more sculpting before it goes on display at the beach all summer." Point taken. See y'all at the rec.

Ok, who did it...who the hell decided "mom jorts" are fashionable? That's like saying "cameltoe ain't so bad..."

I'm beginning to wonder if my professors know how much I fantasize about them.

Whenever the dining hall doesn't have pudding cups, I just...I don't know. I just feel very wronged.

I wish people wouldn't freak out when my friends call me "Fat Amy."

There are 20 people standing on this bus...move your F\*\*\*ING Bag!

I wish there was a bikini top that kept my boobs up while sitting poolside, and down while swimming laps. I nearly motor-boated myself to death this weekend. --

I'm forced to fall for my professors because they're the only men I can find who actually know more than I do.

I'm in love with my best friend and he won't even give us a chance.

Hint #974536: I really dig you, but I'd love to have a little something more to tie me over until fall. Tick tock ;)

To that girl who got robbed Saturday, I hope you're doing okay!

Why does Walmart have so many lanes when they only ever have a max of five open?

When no one is around, I secretly wear shirts that remind me of you, because even though it's been a few months, I still love you.

Every time I see a black man on campus I automatically assume I've had a drunken one-night stand with him.

If an athlete's in your group, that means you're doing all the work.

**Stop by TEC's table at Barefoot on the Mall, show us you like us on Facebook, or follow us on Twitter to enter to be the Pirate Rant picker for the day!**

# Molding leaders for tomorrow

JL Summers  
OPINION EDITOR

A few weeks ago, I had the great pleasure of having a local Cub Scout troop visit our newsroom. As I gazed into their young eyes, and watched them tour our facilities alongside their parents, I knew they were America's future leaders.

These young men were not shy at all, and did not balk away from questions or jumping at the opportunity to voice their opinions. Civic organizations like Cub Scouts, Girl Scouts, Boy Scouts, etc. provide a vital service in this darkening society. It is my personal belief that they mold leaders, create understanding and promote unity.

In this day and age, the world is full of followers, but only a select few can be labeled as leaders. Leaders are not simply men and women telling their inferiors to heed their commands. On the contrary, it is men and women willing to sacrifice their own needs for that of their followers so that the job may be done. These types of characteristics are honed by these civic organizations.

For example, I remember when I was a scout and was a patrol leader within my troop. I was always first to take credit for when my scouts got into trouble and last to accept credit when they excelled. It was because apart of the scout characteristics is to be humble. Many people fail to realize just how important it is to be humble, especially when everyone wants to be in the spotlight.

Personally, I believe it takes a stronger person to be humble and sacrifice applauds and cheering for



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the quiet comfort of your followers being happy; even more so as a young adult to take the brunt of a punishment for action they had no part in because they are a leader of younger impressionable minds.

Thus, leading me to my next point, and that is the creation of understanding. Civic organizations such as scouts and the Boys and Girls Club, bring together numerous children from different walks of life.

When you know someone on a personal level, and interact with him or her on a daily basis, then I believe it is impossible to be ignorant or prejudice. How can you hate some-

thing that is a part of your day-to-day life in a good way? How can you fear someone that is there for you in times of trouble? The answer is that you truly cannot. When you walk through life with someone who shares the same values, beliefs and mindset as you, then you begin to forget about the color of their skin, religious affiliation and nationality. You just see the person that has essentially become another brother or sister in arms with you.

All of these things create unity in an organization. When you have people who are willing to sacrifice, see past differences and accept

people for who they are, then you have the ingredients for success. These steps are what will make a better tomorrow and stamp out the seeds of ignorance, prejudice and hatred.

The young men and women of the world need leaders who have walked hand-in-hand with an individual from a different walk of life than their own. How else can you expect to lead a multitude of people with various backgrounds? These organizations have provided a service for our nations for decades, and their importance may not be as noticeable to all, but their contribution is invaluable. It may seem like a stretch for some, but to others it may seem reasonable.

Therefore, I leave you with this ladies and gentlemen; do you want your future children to grow up in a world and possibly be lead by someone who does not understand their walk of life? Have them toil beneath the hands of a prejudiced tyrant? Be led by a man or woman who is not willing to sacrifice for the success of the mission? Do you want your child to be the next Adolf Hitler or Myra Hindley?

For some, it may be a big stretch to think about children, but for many, we have already started families. Therefore, do not be afraid to place your children within these organizations so that they may experience new and different opportunities while learning new skills that will make them an asset and not a liability.

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# This one's for Anne

Torre Grills  
OPINION COLUMNIST

Today is April 23rd 2013, a Tuesday. It's as normal as any other day, a random Thursday in the middle of a month.

You've probably already checked your Facebook and sent Snapchats to all of your best friends during your first class. You've probably already gone through and deleted all of your useless emails for the first time today. More than likely you checked some other form of social media, be it Instagram or Twitter, before you even got out of bed.

In brainstorming the idea for this article, it's come to my attention that this new generation of teenagers, even people my own age, have a complete lack of knowledge of who influential people throughout history are, even though they spend so much time on the Internet, the most accessible history book we all have.

Now, I'm not talking about who all the Rugrats are or Cory and Topanga (though I am very excited for the revival of my first ship of all time). Rather, I mean to talk about people like Anne Frank, the girl who suffered a tragedy so great that every student I knew read her diary before graduating

middle school.

I was reading an article on Thought Catalog that talked about how Justin Bieber recently visited Franks house. It also described some of the fans that tweeted about his visit and truthfully I was appalled. Bieber said: "Truly inspiring to be able to come here. Anne was a great girl. Hopefully she would have been a Belieber."

Not only is it disheartening that this is what Bieber chose to say about Frank, but also, the response from fans is what is truly scary. Many fans responded with tweets such as: "Who is this Anne Frank and why is he visiting her house?" "Who is Anne Frank" and the worst of all is a girl who proclaimed hatred for Frank and wished death upon her because Bieber was "her boyfriend."

When did this happen? When did we get to a point so caught up in the mirage of celebrity that we forgot about the girl who wrote an account of one of the most horrific times in history. Is it more culturally relevant to allow children to worship celebrities who coin terms like "swag" rather than reading Shakespeare or learning about the tragedy that was the Holocaust? I'm not saying that students aren't being taught these things, but the importance on history and the

influence it has on where we are now has been sorely missed.

Teenagers are obsessed with the idea of fame and fortune, and society stresses that in order to be successful and happy, those two things are necessary. We live in a culture where more teenagers spend time on Tumblr or Facebook than they do outdoors or getting to know people.

There have been many studies on how we are the most connected generation, yet the loneliest. With the rise in technology, a huge fall in social skills has developed and many people no longer know how to communicate effectively.

This brings up the question on of the relevance of history on society. Most high school students I talk to now would argue that it is not necessary to spend time reading books written by a Holocaust survivor or a dead British poet. They're more concerned with who's dating who and the most recent celebrity drug scandal. I'm not saying that all teenagers are like this, nor am I saying this is limited to the younger generation. I've talked to grown adults who care more about Real Housewives of Orange County than telling their children stories that their parents told them of a time much worse than we know now.

I understand that it's not typical coffee conversation to bring up the first major depression in the United States or what Franklin D. Roosevelt did within his first 100 days, but why isn't it? Why have we settled to talking about things that are fruitless, rather than things that foster intelligence? I find myself guilty of this many more times than I would like, discussing wearing white before Labor Day rather than foreign policy.

Wouldn't it be nice to talk about the global news more often than when tragedy strikes? We are the most connected we've ever been and maybe it's a lofty dream to wish that we would use that for growth rather than as a crutch. I'd like to hope that maybe, just maybe, we could be the change that this country needs.

Enrich your mind and enrich others around you. Challenge yourself to talk about more than People magazine and the bikini body you're working toward. Teach young people about history, art and literature. It's time we stop selling ourselves short, it's time we remember that it's because of people like Frank that we have something to be grateful for.

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## Human trafficking benefit concert on campus

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"Slavery was abolished 150 years ago, right? While it is true that slavery is illegal almost everywhere on earth, the fact is there are more slaves today than there ever were..." This quote by Robert Alan, who is an American author, is featured on Love146.org's website. This organization works to fight the second most profitable criminal industry worldwide—human trafficking.

Another organization that works to fight modern day slavery is East Carolina Abolitionists, and tonight at 7 p.m. the Hendrix's stage will play host to their human trafficking benefit concert. The concert will feature Steve Moakler.

"Steve Moakler, I've known about for a couple years, and he is a singer/song writer based out of Nashville kind of in the John Mayer category," said Ryann Lievens, East Carolina Abolitionist president. "He got involved with Love146 in 2011...and he started his own organization "He makes birdhouses and he sells them and he gets celebrities to paint them sometimes. He'll auction them off for a lot of money, and then the money goes to Love146."

While each student gets a free ticket, everyone is encouraged to donate. Non-student tickets cost \$10 each. All the proceeds from the concert, just like the profits of Moakler's business, will be donated to Love146.

"The concert is going to be about an hour set from Steve Moakler," said Lievens. "Then at the beginning and a little bit at the end we are going to have a few short clips of just what human trafficking is and maybe a story of one of the survivors, so people can get an idea of what they are supporting."

While Lievens wants the event to be successful, she also hopes to accomplish the specific goals the organization has for the event.

"As with anything that we do, we really want to raise awareness and also raise funds," said Curtis McCraw, promotions coordinator. "We want to be able to send money to Love146 in this instance, or the



Curtis McGraw (left) and Ryann Lievens (right) talk about tonight's human trafficking benefit concert held in the Hendrix Theatre on campus.

A21 campaign, who we are kind of affiliated with, because it is real. Human trafficking is here, 27 million slaves in the world. We want to be able to proclaim freedom to these people."

According to merriam-webster.com, human trafficking is "organized criminal activity in which human beings are treated as possessions to be controlled and exploited (as by being forced into prostitution or involuntary labor)."

And, the East Carolina Abolitionists aren't the only local group who are working to fight this major problem. Two other local groups that the abolitionists work closely with are Restore One and Eastern North Carolina (ENC) Stop Human Trafficking Now.

"Restore One has, with Chris Smith...

really been giving us guidance, as well as Pam Strickland over at Eastern North Carolina Stop Human Trafficking," said McCraw. "With ENC Stop and with Restore One, they have offered training to the community overall, but also to our members to work with people, teaching us how to deal with victims of human trafficking."

The East Carolina Abolitionists and these community organizations work closely together in efforts to expand their reach outside of their specific audiences. That is, the abolitionists partner with these community organizations to expand not only their knowledge, but also their reach to the Greenville community.

The abolitionists just got started last fall and have been promoting awareness through

a festival last semester, as well as with other on campus demonstrations. Lievens and McCraw's Christian beliefs and experience at Passion 2012, a Christian conference, helped spur them to take a stance against human trafficking.

"As far as the group goes, we make a conscious effort to remain unaffiliated just so everyone is involved," said Lievens.

And they hope that their push for student and community involvement will help inspire other people to take up the fight against what they feel is one of societies biggest injustices.

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Nikki Giovanni, a world-renown activist, poet and educator, will speak in Wright on Wednesday night.

## Celebrating 50 years of desegregation

Kristen Martin  
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The culmination of the yearlong 50th anniversary celebration of the desegregation at East Carolina University will be with a visit and lecture from Nikki Giovanni, a world-renown activist, poet and educator.

The lecture will take place in Wright Auditorium at 7 p.m. on Wednesday. The event will also count as a Premier Wellness Passport event for students.

"It's a way of bringing all of that celebration to a close in an appropriate manner and still talk about the importance of education and diversity

within education," said Virginia Hardy, the vice chancellor for Student Affairs.

Giovanni was chosen as the final speaker, not only because of her work as an activist, poet and educator, but also because of whom she is personally.

"She is a friend of ECU and a very prominent person who reflects the ideals of what we were trying to do in terms of having the courage to change," said Melissa Haithcox-Dennis, the event planner. "She is inspirational to students and her co-workers."

She is very similar to the speaker who kicked the celebration off, Laura Marie Leary Elliott, who was the first African-American student enrolled in the university.

"When you look at Laura Marie and think about Ms. Giovanni, there are some similarities in the courage and bravery and the willingness to push the envelope in a very respectful manner," said Hardy. "Giovanni uses her voice in poetry and oration and Elliott uses her voice in her quiet strength and how she shares her story."

The title of Giovanni's speech is "Having the Courage to Change: Yourself, Our Community, and the World." It's about "how a single person can make those changes in their own special way," according to Haithcox-Dennis.

This topic is very special to Giovanni, who is strongly committed to the fight for equality.

She believes that everyone can make a difference in themselves, and therefore in others.

It's possible that Giovanni will have created an original piece of poetry to share at the lecture, but that isn't the focus of the event.

"She's crafting this based on our story here at ECU and our timeline of events in terms of us being integrated and some of the things that happened around the country at that time," said Haithcox-Dennis.

Other than her lecture, Giovanni will spend time with students and people in the community.

"She's going to be meeting with the students from Word of Mouth," said Haithcox-Dennis. "They're going to have a meal with her and speak with her."

Word of Mouth is the campus spoken word group, who will be performing on Wednesday night.

Also, there will be a special video aired.

"Last semester, the campus did a thank you video to Ms. Elliot, thanking her for being brave enough to desegregate the university, and that video will be premiered at this time," said Hardy. "We were hoping she would be able to attend, but unfortunately she will not be able to due to health issues."

The lecture will not only be an opportunity to listen to a world-renown poet, but also a learning experience.

"They can understand what it must have been like 50 years ago to step on campus and be the only African-American woman on campus and how things have changed,"

said Haithcox-Dennis. "We still have much improvement that can be made. They can make ECU a home for others who are coming behind them in the future."

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## Album review: April 2013

David Cucchiara  
MUSIC COLUMNIST

Copper Tones  
Album: "In A Dream"  
Released: Sept. 30, 2012

Copper Tones' second EP, "In A Dream," revives the classic reggae sound rightly comparable to that of Rebelution. The quartet of college students from southern New Jersey merges customary reggae instrumentals with excellent harmonic vocals from lead singer Greg D'Amico and Sean Gillece. The song "In A Dream" seems to drag on and ride the beat a bit, but some interesting lyrics keep the listener engaged. "Senorita," undoubtedly the best song Copper Tones has produced to this point, really forecasts this band's true potential. The song integrates keyboard into the reggae beat, carried by bassist Tommy Woolston, and blends the vocals perfectly. While the young band needs to improve the complexity of their instrumentals, their performance at this year's Doggie Jams was topnotch. Copper Tones maintained energy throughout the performance, setting the stage perfectly for one of the east coast's best cover bands, Kristin and the Noise.

**Grade: 7/10**

Iron & Wine  
Album: "Ghost on Ghost"  
Released: April 16

Iron & Wine's fifth studio album, "Ghost on Ghost," encompasses jazzy-folk instrumentals with decent lyrics and rather flat vocals. Overall, Samuel Beam was unable to piece together the musical puzzle as well as his previous award winning album, "Kiss Each Other Clean." The instrumentals are all over the place and fail to blend with Beam's voice. "Low Light Buddy of Mine" is the most well done song on the album, followed closely by "Singers and the Endless Song." Both songs are some of the more progressive on the album and balance saxophone carried beats with smooth vocals.

**Grade: 5/10**

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# Ethnic Film Series presents: 'A Thousand Years of Good Prayers'

Jessica McGettigan  
STAFF WRITER

**T**onight at 6 p.m. in Bate 1031, The Ethnic Film Series will be presenting a film to ECU students, faculty and staff titled: "A Thousand Years of Good Prayers."

The Ethnic Film Series is an organization that presents two to four films each semester in an effort to promote an understanding of cultural diversity. "We try to include films that include the ethnic and international experience," said Su-ching Huang, assistant professor in English and director of Ethnic Studies. "It is the purpose of the film series."

"We try to encourage linguistic and cultural exchange by presenting different views on world events and global diversity. We also choose films that could represent each historically neglected culture in the United States," said Huang.

"A Thousand Years of Good Prayers" represents Asian-American culture and new Chinese immigrant culture.

"This is a very interesting film," said Huang, because it is about a father daughter relationship that has been strained due to thousands of miles of separation. When the father becomes widowed, he decides to travel to the United States to visit his daughter. At first it seemed as though the two had nothing in common due to different cultural upbringings, but little do they realize they have more in common than they know.

This film also expresses how the United States unites different cultures. While in America, the father estab-

lishes a friendship with an Iranian woman, despite the fact that they did not always understand each other because both of them speak very broken English.

"This film is a very good example of how people from different countries, from different cultures, even speaking different languages, are able to come together and connect on a different level," said Huang.

Throughout the film, there is a prevalence of cultural clashing, not only between the father and the daughter, but between everyone the father encounters as a Chinese immigrant.

"A Thousand Years of Good Prayers" is an opportunity for the university to open its eyes to Asian-American culture; a culture that

Huang believes is slightly over looked.

"There is a stereotype about Asians and the Chinese that they are foreigners," said Huang. "I am hoping that through the screening of this film we can get people to better understand the background of Asian and Chinese immigrants and to learn about their culture and where they come from."

Immigrating to the United States herself, Huang has an appreciation for the diversity in this country.

"America is like a salad bowl. You can throw anything in the bowl, yet you can still taste the individual ingredients. They still maintain their individuality, but the different ingredients complement each other," said Huang.

"American culture

becomes a mixture of all of its different cultures complimenting each other, like the ingredients in a salad bowl," said Huang.

Huang, who will be teaching Asian American Literature and Film next semester, hopes that students and faculty will gain respect for Asian-American culture and an understanding of what it is and what it stands for after viewing this film.

"I am excited to introduce ECU's community to Asian-American literature and film," said Huang. "I am hoping, through such a screening, more people will be interested in this subject just as I am."

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## ECU Dance topples personal records

ECU Dance Team placed eighth at the NCA/NDA Collegiate Cheer and Dance Championship in Daytona Beach Florida. The team competed in Dance Division IA with a routine consisting of all three dance styles: Jazz, Pom and Hip Hop.

This was the team's highest finish ever in the division, and advanced straight to finals, which is also a first for the team. Also scoring the highest they have achieved, a 9.167 out of 10.

## Golf C-USA Championships

The ECU Men's golf team is tied for ninth-place after two rounds of play at the 2013 Conference USA Championships being held at the par-72, 6,935-yard Texarkana Country Club.

The Pirates are currently at 20-over 596 for the championship, which is tied with Southern Miss. Houston and SMU, each ranked in Golfstat's top 30, are tied for the team lead at 10-under 566. UCF is in third-place with a par score of 576.

Individually, ECU junior Eric Brady shot 72 Monday to move into the top-15 at 1-over 145 (73-72), tied for 14th. Brady recorded three birdies and three bogeys with 12 pars in round two. He was 1-under through 17 before he bogeyed the final hole to finish the day at even par.

Junior Ryan Eibner fired a 2-over 74 for the second consecutive round to move to 4-over 148 for the tournament, tied for 27th. Freshman Stephen Lavenets shot 3-over on the day with fellow freshman George Kilgore carding a 5-over 77. Lavenets is tied for 44th at 9-over 151 (76-75), while Kilgore is in 46th at 10-over 152 (75-77). Senior Zach Edmondson sits in 60th at 21-over 163 (81-82).

## Dowdy-Ficklen turns the big 5-0

The ECU Department of Athletics announced Friday the official launch of its Celebrating 50 Years of Dowdy-Ficklen Stadium Campaign designed to honor a landmark that has impacted the ECU campus and Greenville community, and provided decades of great moments and memories for generations of Pirate fans.

The 2013 season will mark the 50th anniversary of the facility, which opened its gates for the first time on Sept. 21, 1963 when 17,000 fans watched ECU defeat Wake Forest 20-10.

ECU will commemorate this milestone in late summer before an extensive schedule of promotions and activities the week of the opener against Old Dominion on Aug. 31. In addition to interactive elements and anniversary-specific retail merchandise, decade-based themes will be implemented for each of the six home games. Over seven million fans have seen the Pirates in action at Dowdy-Ficklen Stadium since 1963, and in the last five years, ECU has averaged over 46,000 per game.



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Ruffin McNeill and the ECU Pirates football team ended spring with the annual Purple-Gold game. Familiar faces and a new coordinator highlighted the day.

## Shane Carden and the Pirates end Spring on high note

**Ronnie Moore**  
ASSISTANT SPORTS EDITOR

Football is back. Well, it was back, even if for just a brief moment. Ruffin McNeill and the ECU Pirates took the field Saturday to showcase a new defense coordinator and to check out some old faces.

To the delight of the Pirate faithful, Shane Carden led the first team offense down the field on their first possession and scored on a 21-yard touchdown pass to Lance Ray. That was Ray's only catch on the afternoon, but it was a good sign, as Ray seemed lost in his first season with the Pirates. The explosive senior has shown "SEC" caliber talent, but after coming into ECU's fall camp late in the process he has struggled to pick up the offense.

Carden completed 14 of his 22 passes for 137 yards and one touchdown. Chip Thompson picked off Carden on his final series, which is a good sign for the Rick Smith coached defense.

Kyle Tudor (10), Gabe Woullard

(7) and Jeremy Grove (7) led the way in tackles. Woullard also collected a sack on the afternoon.

"The three linebackers we have are special," said Smith. "I am really pleased with them. Thompson and Adonis Armstrong are making progress as well."

Star wide receiver Justin Hardy was blanketed all afternoon and only collected one catch for eight yards. Hardy attracted the attention of multiple defenders and it allowed his teammate Danny Webster to rack up the most yards.

"Hardy is a great player and he is going to draw more than one defender," said Webster. "He is a presence on the field even without the ball."

Webster grabbed eight passes for 93 yards. Carden and the other Pirate quarterbacks hooked up with Webster on multiple occasions, and he made the most of it as he fought for extra yards on each attempt.

Justin Jones broke out with five catches and 47 yards, while second-

year receiver Antonio Cannon caught a 32-yard touchdown strike from freshman quarterback Kurt Benkert.

From the rushing perspective of the offense, ECU faired well, even without 2012 standout Vintavious Cooper. Cory Hunter was the main tailback and it was obvious as he ran the ball 15 times for 61 yards and a score. Hunter ran with confidence and certainly didn't shy away from contact, as he was occasionally seen dragging defenders.

Who knows how many touches, if any at all, Hunter will receive once fall camp opens when Cooper, Terrell Lane, Breon Allen and Chris Hairston are healthy and participating in practice.

Defensively, the Pirates did well against their offensive counterparts. Although, Smith will try to tell you differently, the Pirate secondary held the potent passing game to only 316 yards on 56 attempts. No doubt that Smith wants his defense to progress, but his words may come

across as harsh.

"They talk about winning a championship, they better have their a\*\* ready on the first play," said Smith. "Not just the d\*\*n second half."

Take his comments with a grain of salt, but there is no doubt that Smith came to ECU to win. In his previous stint with the Pirates, his secondary was near the tops in many categories and the defense was a big reason why the Pirates won C-USA championships.

Second year player, Montese Overton, spoke about the progress of Smith's new defense.

"Coach Smith has put some hard work and time into the plays," said Overton. "He has done new things to get the players motivated for practice and games."

From the looks of the spring game, the defense and the Pirate football team are on their way to a good season in the making.

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## Pirates dust the Blazers in 'Bama

**Patrick Meine**  
STAFF WRITER

ECU completed its first series sweep of a conference opponent, and only its second series sweep of the season, when it defeated the University of Alabama at Birmingham in three straight away games this weekend.

The series sweep pulls the Diamond Bucs back to 20-20 in the win/loss column and should provide a big confidence boost for a team who has its back against the ropes heading into the latter part of the schedule. At .500 this late in the season, the Pirates will likely not be able to make an at large bid for the tournament, and will need to win the Conference USA Championship in order to advance to post season play.

ECU finished the sweep Sunday afternoon in a come from behind 9-5 win.

The Blazers jumped out to a 3-0 lead before ECU notched its first tally pulling to 3-1 in the fourth. UAB answered with another run to stretch its lead to three before the Pirates unloaded for five runs in the seventh inning.

ECU scoring started when Chase McDonald reached first base on a fielding error, and then advanced to third on a Ben Fultz double. McDonald scored on the next at bat when Jay Cannon grounded out to short.

The seventh inning rally started with a lead off single from



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Pirates get back to .500 with the sweep.

Cannon who advanced to second when Dylan Brown walked. Bryan Bass walked to load the bases with one out before all three runners advanced, scoring Cannon on a wild pitch.

Jack Reiheimer was then hit by a pitch to load the bases again still with only one out. The Blazers turned to their third pitcher of the inning, who was scorched by Drew Reynolds for a three-RBI double down the left field line. Fultz singled to right scoring Reynolds for the final score of the inning.

UAB responded with a run in the bottom of the inning pulling back to within one run.

Brown led off the eighth inning with a double and advanced to

third on a sacrifice bunt by Sam King. A Bass single to left center extended the Pirate lead to two by scoring Brown.

ECU was not done scoring yet, adding two more runs in the ninth inning off a McDonald homerun and a Travis Watkins RBI single that scored Fultz, bringing the tally to its 9-5 final.

Ryan Williams got the start for the Pirates and allowed three runs on four hits while walking one, striking out one and hitting three batters in three complete innings.

Jake Harris was first in relief and surrendered only two runs off two hits, while walking two and striking out two, and hit one batter. Harris was credited with the win.

Joseph Hughes and Reynolds split duties for the remaining two and two thirds innings and allowed no runs on no hits. Reynolds was credited with a save.

ECU wrapped up the series win on Saturday with a 4-1 win, featuring solid pitching from the Pirates. David Lucroy got the start for the Pirates and pitched six and a third innings allowing just one run on four hits. Brett Mabry was the lone relief pitcher allowing no runs on two hits for the remaining two and two thirds innings. Bass led ECU in batting going three-for-four in the game with two runs and one RBI.

The Pirates started the series off with a tightly contested 5-4 win on

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## Softball sweeps

**William Farrar**  
SENIOR WRITER

The ECU softball team both hosted and swept the Memphis Tigers this weekend for its second consecutive sweep of a Conference USA opponent. In doing so, the Pirates are now 21-25 overall, with an 11-7 record in conference play.

The Pirates completed the sweep on Sunday in a dramatic fashion when they came racing back late to take a 4-3 advantage against the Tigers. The game was all knotted up in the bottom of the sixth when freshman Kelsi Briggs approached the plate to hit a solo game-winning home run for the Pirates.

Before Briggs, senior Kai Clark tied the game up for ECU, after she hit a two-run homer. With the win, the Pirates have won seven consecutive conference games.

Sophomore Sarah Christian allowed all three runs with three strikeouts and a walk in her 15th win and 16th complete game of the season. Memphis did all of its damage in the fifth inning, when they tallied three unearned runs.

In the sixth inning rally for the Pirates, freshman Casey Alcorn started the momentum with a single to left field. Behind 3-1, Clark came up to blast her fourth

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## CALENDAR

"What an awesome moment. If you didn't have goosebumps or a tear in your eye then you need to check your pulse." - Lincoln Riley about Noah Roberts and his touchdown at the end of the Purple-Gold game.

"[It was a] special moment for a special kid." - Zico Pasut commenting about Roberts fight with cancer.

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