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## BRIEFS

## Staff Reports

### Brody School receives million dollar grant

The American Medical Association has awarded a \$1 million grant to the Brody School of Medicine.

Brody is one of 11 schools in the nation selected for the award, entitled "Accelerating Change in Medical Education." This award is focused on schools that educate students concentrated in rural and underserved populations.

Changes to the medical school as a whole will be implemented due the grant's funding, such as a new comprehensive core curriculum in patient safety and clinical quality improvement, training for faculty members to teach new curriculums, as well as an added 10 student program called "Leaders in Innovative Care Scholars."

The grant winners were announced on Friday as a part of the annual AMA meeting in Chicago.

### Camp Rainbow to Begin

The Brody School of Medicine has made it possible for children with cancer, hemophilia and sickle cell disease to take part in summer camp.

Camp Rainbow is designed to provide children with a chance to participate in activities like sailing, swimming, canoeing and crafts all in a monitored environment to meet their medical and psychosocial needs.

The Don Lee Center on the Neuse River near Arapahoe will play host for the camp from June 16-22 for approximately 60 campers from all over North Carolina.

### Jolly Trolley route to be expanded

The privately owned, old-fashioned streetcar, The Jolly Trolley, in Uptown Greenville will be expanding its Umbrella Market route to include neighborhood service.

The 30-person streetcar will be present at all of the Umbrella Market events from May 15 to Sept. 25.

The conductor of the trolley often gives architectural history lessons during rides and tells jokes from an on-board microphone. The route expansion hopes to enrich the entertainment at the Umbrella Market, as well as generate a larger interest in the Uptown District.



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## Freshmen overload

Campus Living crams for August arrivals

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The incoming freshmen class is affecting the way ECU Campus Living accommodates all incoming students. Due to such a large class being enrolled this May, changes to the housing system were necessary in order to make sure all the new Pirates all have a home in the fall.

Some of the changes were made in order for all incoming students to apply for on campus housing earlier this year. By getting applications in earlier, Campus Living had more time to find proper living situations for all new students.

Associate Vice Chancellor for Campus Living William McCartney said, "The increase in applications being completed earlier is not any one reason; it's due to a combination of several things."

McCartney attributed the rise in completed housing applications to reasons such as "the application being available online earlier and making a greater push through open house events and community visits with admissions in order to encourage people to apply earlier this year."

The changes have achieved the desired effect of increasing the amount of completed applications. As of June 9, there were 893 more completed on campus housing applications than at this time last year.

In order to accommodate this historic number of freshmen, housing had to cut back on opportunities for other students to live on campus. This includes no longer accepting transfer students' applications or returning students who wanted to live on campus again as of the third week of May.

Transfer students are the group most affected by the freshmen class, as there will only be 137 transfers this year. This is significantly less than the above 200-250 transfers

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To accommodate for the oversized incoming freshmen class, single-rooms on campus have been turned into doubles.

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## SGA connects with city council

Jamitress Bowden  
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Last school year, senate members of the Student Government Association began attending Greenville City Council meetings in search of a deeper connection.

The new constitution, voted on last school year, made it a requirement that the student serving as the Executive Director of Local and State Affairs, must serve in some capacity, with the city council, according to SGA advisor and Associate Director of Student Leadership and Engagement, Dr. Patrick Edwards.

Members of last year's community initiatives committee, formed by SGA Senate members, were encouraged to attend city council meetings. Former chair of the community initiatives committee, Marcella Camara, wants to see a strong bond between the city council and SGA.

"We can help each other a lot," said Camara. She hopes the committee members continue to use the open portion of the council meetings to voice their concerns about Greenville. "ECU is in Greenville, students should know both can help each other."

Councilwoman Marion Blackburn, would like to see more student engagement and involvement. Blackburn said city council and SGA should have regular meetings and that would be the first step to cultivating student participation.

According to Blackburn, ECU students have ran for public office and served on commissions.

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## Greenville Police continue green effort

Brittany Sanderson  
STAFF WRITER

A new all-electric motorcycle will make going green and securing safety easier for Greenville police.

The police department introduced the Enertia Plus Electric LE Police Motorcycle to its fleet less than two weeks ago.

Sgt. Joe Friday said the motorcycle will be primarily used for patrolling Greenville's greenways, neighborhoods and special events. The motorcycle will be used in all festivals, like Pirate Fest.

"It's a customer friendly device, a great way to engage people in conversation," said Friday.

There are no emissions, gas or oil changes to worry about, according to Friday. The motorcycle is rechargeable and can go travel to 100 miles on a single charge. It will be used for patrolling in small areas, like the greenways, where the officers won't drive more than 100 miles.

Friday said the motorcycle is good for patrolling in high crime areas because "it sounds like a golf cart." People won't hear it and it won't draw as much attention as a car.

Greenville police have taken steps toward going green for several years. They use bicycles and two-wheeled Segways for greenway patrols. The police department also uses the Toyota Prius, a hybrid car, for traffic safety enforcement.

The electric motorcycle also could be used for traffic safety since it can reach speeds of 60-70 mph. Police officers who use the motorcycle will be required to have a North Carolina motorcycle endorsement on their driver's license.

Councilwoman, Kandie Smith, introduced the idea of an electric motorcycle to Greenville police.

She first saw the motorcycle when she attended the National League of Cities conference in late 2012. Brammo, an Oregon-based company, manufactures the motorcycle.

"Brammo had a table set up; I saw the motorcycle," said Smith. "I got on it and I thought, 'I like this. This is nice.'"

Greenville police tested the demo electric motorcycle for several weeks earlier this year. The department decided it was worth the cost to buy one.

Smith said the motorcycle offers long-term benefits to the community. "It's the solution to potential problems. It deters crime," she said. "It's time to stop talking about it and do it."

The motorcycle will be used as a tactical device. Smith said it's an innovative method for safety patrol, especially on the greenways.

"This is a new tactic," she said. "[It's] like using technology to help find suspects."

Criminal Justice major Aerial Smith said she thinks the city police's electric motorcycle is a great investment that will help the community in the long run.

"It saves the planet and it saves money on gas. It will last longer than a regular vehicle," she said.

Smith said the motorcycle would be beneficial if the police had to chase someone because it can travel through areas where cars can't fit.

However, Health Fitness Specialist major Jonathan Huntley said the electric motorcycle wouldn't be able to keep up in a high-speed chase, even though it can reach up to 70 mph.

Huntley said in situations like drug-busts or car chases, the police officers would be in more danger.



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The Enertia Plus Electric LE motorcycle will mostly be used on the greenway.

"Two wheels are less stable than four wheels," said Huntley. "They could get shot easier because they don't have the metal protection on the motorcycle like they do on cars."

But when it comes to the ECU police force, Smith and Huntley said it needs an electric motorcycle.

"It could stop unnecessary vio-

lence on campus, downtown and in the grid," said Huntley. "It would [make campus] safer for students to walk home from the library because it would interrupt crimes like mugging."

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that ECU normally admits. Cutting into the amount of transfer students is just one of the big changes the class of 2017 have caused before even stepping onto campus.

Because of factors including the closing of Belk in January and the oversized freshmen class, housing has made tangible changes to the campus in order to house all students who will be living on campus next year.

One of the biggest changes was the elimination of single rooms all over campus. The single-rooms were turned into doubles, which resulted in about 80 more room spaces becoming available.

Another solution being discussed about housing

the incoming class is giving resident advisors roommates.

"RA contracts allow for a temporary roommate and allows them to gain additional compensation if the situation lasts past Labor Day," said McCartney.

While some would view the opportunity to gain additional income a welcomed addition to their job, Resident Advisor and junior Paul McGuire would not relish the opportunity for extra cash at the sacrifice of his single room.

"Having a roommate would greatly impact my ability to do my job," said McGuire. "My room is viewed as a safe zone where I can help kids in a professional environment, and having a roommate would

make that environment somewhat deteriorated."

As a RA, McGuire feels the responsibility of connecting with and helping his residents with any problems they have as an essential part of his job that would be negatively affected by the presence of a roommate in his dorm.

"If RAs had roommates, the number of returning RAs would greatly decrease," said McGuire. "It is always beneficial to have returning RAs so giving us roommates could potentially decrease the experience and helpfulness of RAs across campus that are one factor in making living in the dorms so great."

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The Mayor of Greenville, according to Camara, spoke with students in attendance after one of the city council meetings. The mayor informed the students that there used to be a liaison representative from ECU's SGA, to give reports about how the city can better help the students.

Blackburn, a current graduate student at ECU, says the council tries to be student-friendly and it is important for the council and the students to meet regularly, to share common interests and talk about them.

Edwards encouraged students to attend the meetings

and attend some city council meetings with the students during the 2012-2013 school year.

"The students now know that their voices can be heard," said Edwards.

Edwards said that SGA is going to continue to keep working on the connection between the students and the city, to inform the student body about what is going on in Greenville. Edwards also said he wants to see increased student-engagement with the council so that students could be involved and increase civic engagement as a learning tool.

As a result of increased student engagement with the city, Edwards believes "the council can be proactive instead of reactive with issues concerning the students."

If there was a partnership between SGA and the city council, Blackburn said she would ultimately want to know what the student's expectations are for the position. "I would want to know how they can help me do my job better, come to council meetings and serve on a commission."

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Being home in Jersey makes me miss all the beautiful minority women at ECU.

I am shocked that no one at ECU has become a porn star. Some of these girls have real talent.

Cartoon Network isn't for kids anymore.

I'm not saying I would kill anyone, but if "The Purge" was real, a few people would have reasons to be worried.

Four years at ECU has made my hoe-dar better than my gay-dar.

You might be at ECU when you hear, "Oh yeah, I took that class during football semester."

Whoever is coming up with these AT&T commercials with the kids is a genius.

The new Monsters Inc. just won't be the same without Boo!

The Walking Dead, Scandal, and Game of Thrones have ended. What am I supposed to do with my life in Greenville?

Please remind me again why I took summer classes? I need a beer.

Peasant's Pub is the best hangout spot in Greenville. If you haven't been, go.

I keep thinking that when I graduate from ECU I will quit drinking, but I feel like I am just preparing my liver for a lifelong disaster.

All of my pregnant friends, I smile in your face but I secretly think you are absolutely insane.

I parked on campus today and actually DIDN'T get a ticket. It's a miracle.

To the person that robbed my house; I hate you.

The theft appraiser was nice enough to come check out my car at Mug Night so I didn't have to leave. Thank you.

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## EDITORIAL

# Our view

# A fresh start

### Editorial Staff

As upperclassmen, walking around campus and seeing the swarms of upcoming freshmen venturing through student orientation has allowed us to reminisce on our past years at ECU. We remember the days that we received information packets, maps, new schedules, and wrecked-nerves that take a lot of time to dissipate. Coming directly to a university after high school evokes more freedom and opportunities.

But, making choices that will potentially affect the rest of your

life is a mind-boggling realization. Many young adults believe they are ready for the real world, but college is just a step closer to obtaining the knowledge you will forever capture in your mind. Your years at college should be the best, most knowledge-gaining time of your life, and is one of the many stepping-stones on this journey.

As advice for the upcoming freshman, we wish you the happiest, healthiest, most enjoyable time in the great Pirate Nation. Realize you are joining a family of Pirates that will assist you by any means necessary.

Do not lose focus on your goals, keep your eyes on the prize: your diploma. Use this as an opportunity to break free from the high school stereotypes and broaden your horizons to a more mature, open-minded environment. Take all of the advice you can, and learn whole-heartedly from every mistake you have, and will make. The editorial staff at The East Carolinian wishes you all the best of luck, and we know you will enjoy the ride.

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# Paying the price to park



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With the thousands of parking spots scattered through the city of Greenville, it is a strong possibility that you will receive a ticket, a boot on your tire or be towed from any of them. Whether you are parking for school, work or a safe place to leave your car for a night of drinking downtown, the city has left us with

very few options to park without receiving consequences.

After a fun-filled night in downtown Greenville recently, I walked to my car to head home to prepare for the stressful day ahead of me. When I reached my vehicle, I noticed a boot had been placed on my tire at approximately 2 a.m. As a broke college student, the \$65 I was forced to pay to have the boot removed was much more than I spent downtown. My pleasurable night had been ruined, and naturally, I was irate. Luckily, I was approached by the man booting my car before he was "forced to tow my car" for \$130, so I scrounged up my hard-earned money so he could spend less than 30 seconds removing this metal trap of aggravation.

Now, I understand during the day the bustling streets of Greenville become crowded, and parking is limited. But it has been made clear to me that the city would rather us drive home intoxicated than get a ride from a taxi and leave our car safely where we parked. But the risk of a \$130-\$150 fine when you find out your car has been towed from its safe haven is the last thing anyone needs after being responsible.

I guarantee it would not be a burden to the city to have a designated parking lot close to campus and the downtown area

that is specifically zoned for students attending class and people attending downtown entertainment. Our streets are not safe enough to be walking home alone in the dark. I understand the city pays for the parking lots and they create mass revenue every time we get little yellow envelopes on our windshields containing \$20-\$50 citations, but as residents of Greenville and students of East Carolina University, we pay more than our fair share, and a cement space lined in spray paint should not cost me \$65 to park in.

I have been towed from my place of work, while I was in class, and also while I was spending my hard earned money in the local businesses of downtown. It is nonsensical to me that this has become such an issue in this town. Parking enforcement scours the town like a hawk over a dead carcass; ready to pounce on the first vehicle they see parking "illegally." If every parking enforcement officer put on a badge and walked the streets looking for criminals rather than cars innocently parked in our city, life might be a little safer.

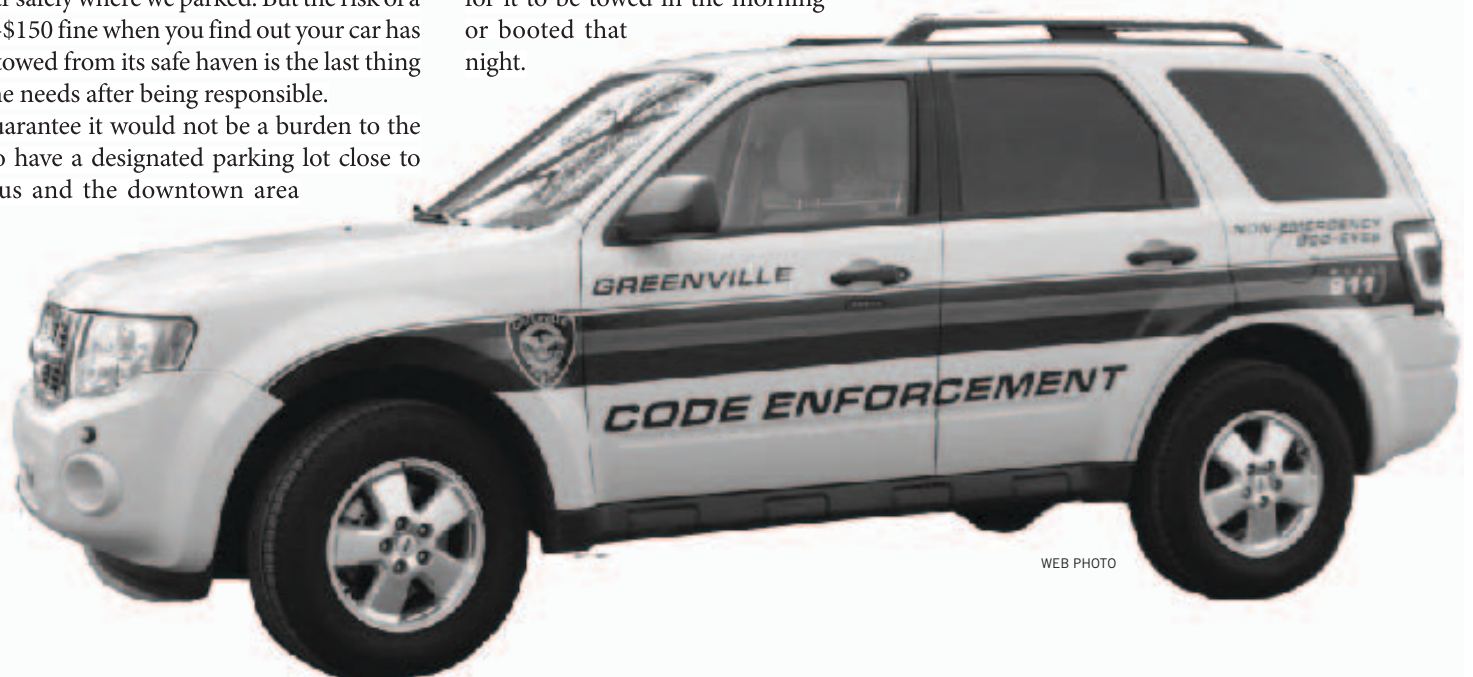
There are many answers to this problem, but I am positive the students and residents would have no problem suggesting solutions. Whether it is a designated free parking lot, a \$5 overnight parking pass, a parking garage or easily accessible transportation to and from our residences, I am sure the city can do something to help us rather than continue to drain our wallets. I can only speak for myself, but I work way too hard to go out, have fun and attempt to be responsible by leaving my vehicle overnight downtown only for it to be towed in the morning or booted that night.

Also, with the recent debate regarding the blood-alcohol concentration level being lowered from .08 to .05, our parking issues can be taken into consideration in comparison to this potential drinking and driving law. For a responsible driver, it is an easy decision to leave your vehicle in its original spot to avoid a dreaded DUI. But, even the most responsible driver might risk driving home intoxicated to avoid waking up to their vehicle locked behind the dark, dungy gates of the tow yard.

Personally, I know hundreds of people that have said "screw it, I'm driving," and drove home over the legal limit to guarantee they have their car in their driveway in the morning. Although this sounds illogical because the risks of drinking and driving far surpass the risk of leaving your car downtown, lets face it, it still happens. People are drinking and driving constantly to avoid the misfortunes of Greenville parking.

There are bigger fish to fry in our town. There is no criminal intent behind leaving your locked car in a safe location while doing any number of things in this town. Students parking on side streets and local parking lots should not be ticketed while attending their expensive classes and downtown goesers that bring our city enormous amounts of money should not be punished when one of the few alternatives to avoiding a ticket is to drive home intoxicated.

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# Rebekah Todd: Greenville's folk heart and soul

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From the banks of the Tar River to the dazzling lights of Manhattan, ECU graduate Rebekah Todd is well on her way to becoming one of Greenville's most prominent solo artists.

"It's different from what you normally hear," said Senior Biology major John Caban. "It's a nice change of pace from the radio. You can tell she really feels the music and it comes from the heart."

Hailing from the small town of Benson, N.C., Todd's musical prowess began at an early age, singing by age three and receiving a black Washburn guitar from her father at age 11. The rural backdrop and accommodating home life provided the young protégé with the necessary tools to grow as an artist.

"Playing music has been something I've loved for so long. It's just become a huge part of me and a part of my identity," said Todd. "I love what I do and have fun every day."

Todd entered a small but tightly knit music community when she decided to attend the university after high school. Through playing at local venues while taking classes, she quickly became a household name for Greenville music enthusiasts and was given the opportunity to play

alongside names like Jim Avett, Paleface and Holy Ghost Tent Revival.

"When I first got [to Greenville] there were a lot of house shows," said Todd. "I love playing stuff like that because you're in a tiny room. It's extremely intimate, people are like two feet away from you and everyone is sweating bullets. When you're that close and uncomfortable, that's where you see the true song writer for who they are."

Todd has performed in a variety of venues for an assortment of crowds, earning the respect of local business owners throughout the Emerald City.

"She's an amazing person and a wonderful singer. I would welcome her back anytime," said Topsy Tea Pot owner Delia Liuzza.

Todd continued to enhance her musical repertoire through college. After graduation, she hit the road in September of 2012, touring the East Coast and eventually landing in the pinnacle of the East's music scene – New York City. Buried deep in the confines of Lower Manhattan, Todd found herself in a foreign land considerably different from her two-mile wide hometown.

"I was really scared that it was going to swallow me whole, chew me up and spit me out," said Todd. "Eventually, it's my turn to play and I go to the backstage and at first there were only three people there. By the

time I finished, the room was full and it was standing room only."

Her enchanting voice captivated the crowd and captured the attention of every attendee at The Living Room. It was the biggest and most significant show of Todd's career.

"I just got the feeling that people in New York really care about their music and they're listening to every word you're saying," said Todd. "I felt that when I played."

Now back in the Southeast, Todd continues to tour across North Carolina, including shows in Chapel Hill, Raleigh and Wilmington. This Thursday, Todd will embark on her first Georgia tour.

"Any time like this where it's the first time I've been to a city, I just want to meet as many people as I can, get my name out there and make some new friends," said Todd. "Even if I only meet 10 people, that's OK; it'll help me get through the next time I'm there."

The tour begins in Savannah with stops at Athens, Ga. and the famous Red Light Café in Atlanta. She returns to Greenville on June 28 for a show at Villedge Restaurant & Bar.

On top of her tour, Todd is preparing to record her first full-length album this summer. Like many up and coming musi-



WEB PHOTO  
Rebekah Todd has 23 days to raise money to fund for her first full-length album which is scheduled for release this Fall.

cians of the 21 century, Todd is using Kickstarter, a website that helps raise money for projects such as albums, with an overall goal of \$4,800.

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NICK FAULKNER | THE EAST CAROLINIAN  
Courtside Cafe, located uptown across from the Pitt County Courthouse, reopened for business a few weeks ago.



# Local restaurant gets a facelift Courtside Cafe reopens under new management

Kristen Martin  
STAFF WRITER

The first impression when walking into Courtside, a restaurant on the corner of Evans and Third Street, is of a 1950s diner that has been revamped for the modern age.

"That's exactly what we were going for," said Stephen Emory, the part owner and operator.

The diner's color scheme is white, black and lime green. With a clear view of the entire restaurant, polka dot tables and tile flooring, Courtside offers a very open and inviting atmosphere that is different from how things used to be.

"Well it was definitely like 1940s grandma. It had the eggshell walls and all of the old 'Little House on the Prairie' type pictures, like one of those places that they cut out magazine articles and framed them," said Emory. "It was very, very old-timey."

The menu was completely changed as well and includes Boar's Head meat and cheeses. "We're the only provider of Boar's Head in all of Greenville that we know of, aside from Harris Teeter," said Emory. "We definitely go outside of the box with our sandwiches. It's pretty much classic breakfast and new age sandwiches."

One of the things that haven't changed are the chairs. "All of these chairs were actually here. I didn't want to get rid of them because they were made in North Carolina," said Emory. "They're made in High Point and I'm all about local. So we decided to keep the chairs and just got them reupholstered and refinished."

Courtside is open Monday through Friday from 7:30 a.m. until 5:30 p.m. They serve breakfast all day, as well as sandwiches and homemade soups at lunchtime. "We do things like Egg Benedict but not at an outlandish price,"

said Emory.

Everything is made in the restaurant. "The fact that it was homemade was a plus for me," said A.B. Robinson, a junior business major.

The prices at Courtside are moderate. The average price for a breakfast plate is \$6 and their specialty sandwiches are about \$8 a piece.

"We waited a little while for our food but it was definitely worth it," said Caitlin Melton, a junior exercise physiology major. Anna Hinton, a junior dance major added, "It was a good price, especially because it was all made right there."

A variety of customers dine at Courtside. "We hit the spectrum for sure," said Emory. "We really wanted to do something for everybody. We knew we were going to be

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## EVENT CALENDAR

### Tipsy Teapot

**Today**

7p.m.  
3 Chords and a Song  
Shellshag

**Friday**

12p.m.  
Slingshot Dakota  
Airhorse

**Thursday**

7 p.m.  
Comedy Open Mic

**Saturday**

6:30p.m.  
Swamp Song  
Serenade  
Benefit Bash

### Peasant's Pub

**Thursday**

10 p.m.  
Big Something

**Friday**

10 p.m.  
The Ends

**Saturday**

10 p.m.  
Those Meddling Kids  
Eclectic Renuion Show

You have to be at least 21 to attend any shows after 10 p.m.

### Uptown Events

**Today**

5-8 p.m.  
Umbrella Market

**Thursday- Saturday**

Magnolia Arts Center  
Don't Cry For Me, Margaret Mitchell

**Sunday**

7 p.m.  
Sunday in the Park  
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# A synopsis of 'The Purge'

Jessica Powell  
OPINION EDITOR

## Grade: B+



In a country plagued by an outlandish amount of violence and chaos, the “New Founding Fathers” sanctioned a day beginning in 2022 where all crime, including murder, would be legal for 12 hours. Hospitals were shut down and no emergency rescue personnel would be available. The opening credits allowed moviegoers to understand that since the nation was aware of this day of punishment-free debauchery, the crime rate would remain at an extremely low 1 percent during the other 364 days. This is because people would prepare for their right to purge, therefore cleansing their soul of all hatred without any consequences.

“The Purge” depicted an exhilarating journey through the insane events that occurred to the Sandin family and their heroic efforts to save themselves and the life of a stranger that was about to be sacrificed during the annual purge.

This adrenaline charged movie began in a peaceful, elite area of town where lead actor Ethan Hawke, portraying father and business man James Sandin, revealed the good news to his family that his security system company received top sales in preparation for the annual purge.

James Sandin created and sold impenetrable home security systems that would keep out any purge-related intruders. The Sandin family chose not to participate in the purge and although the crime that was committed rarely entered their highly protected neighborhood, the Sandin family preferred to be safe rather than sorry.

In preparation for the purge, the seemingly pleasant neighbors drove through the neighborhood slowly, wishing a safe and purge-free night to everyone they encountered. The story began with Adelaide Kane, portraying daughter Zoey Sandin, sneaking around the Sandin mansion with her boyfriend Henry, played by Tony Oller. Her odd younger brother, Charlie Sandin, was busy in his bedroom hiding spot playing with his technological creations, which would later play an important role in the film.

James Sandin was against his daughter Zoey dating her older boyfriend Henry, whom quickly evacuated the house before the Sandin family locked down for the purge. The Sandin family sat in the control room of their mansion and pressed a button allowing all security systems to enforce. The family planned on going on with their night in a calm and controlled manner.

Zoey Sandin was surprised in her bedroom by her boyfriend Henry, who had snuck in unannounced before the lockdown began. Henry convinced Zoey that he wanted to sit down with her father once and for all and speak to him about them being together. Zoey was hesitant, but Henry demanded this be done and headed downstairs.

Meanwhile downstairs, son Char-

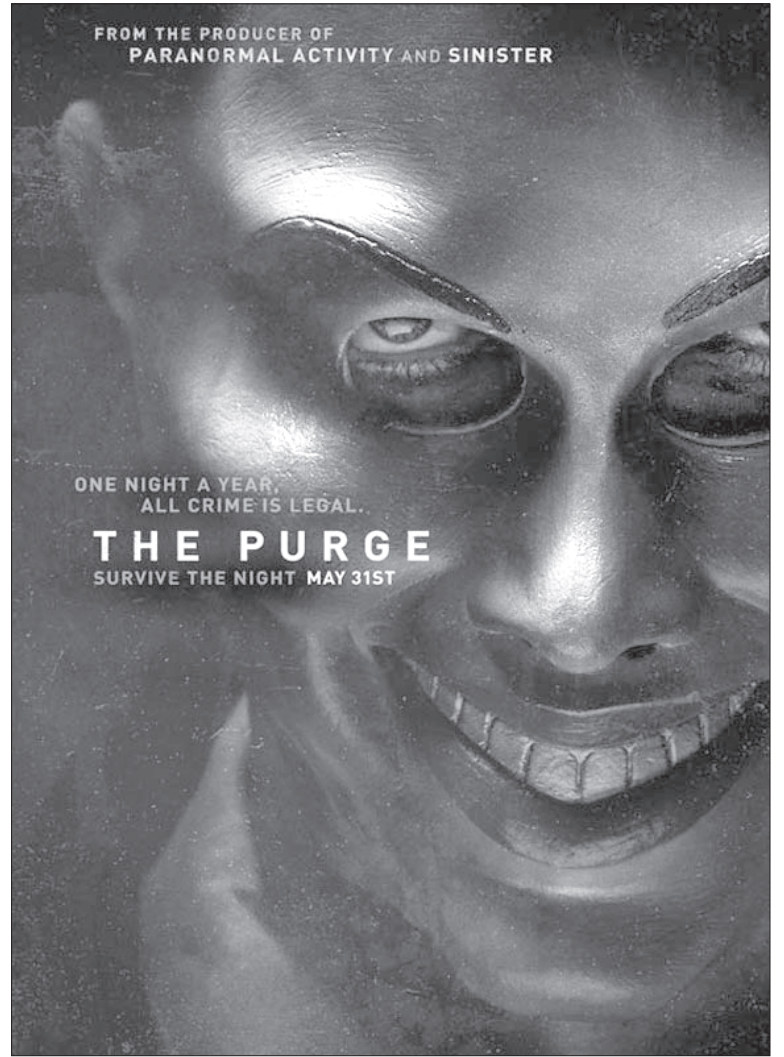
lie Sandin being the curious child he is, sat in front of the security video screens until a frantic man screaming for help, claiming he was being followed in the street, caught his attention. Not knowing whether or not this man was dangerous, Charlie rapidly disarmed the security system and yelled for the man to come into the house. Hearing the commotion, his father ran into the foyer of their house, and the stranger was standing there. Confused and irate, things escalated quickly when Henry came down the stairs with a gun, aiming at James Sandin and pulling the trigger. A shootout began, killing Henry, and during the hectic situation, the welcomed intruder disappeared into the dark abyss of the Sandin home.

Badly shaken, the Sandin family began the search for the man in the house, disregarding the death of Henry because they were in such shock. Shortly after, the doorbell rang and deranged lunatics in exultant masks approached the door, demanding their right to purge the “homeless pig” that they believed the Sandins were protecting.

Threatening the life of their family, actor Rhys Wakefield demanded that if the Sandin family did not release the man they were withholding, alive, their whole family would die.

After a search of the house, the man was found, harmed, bound and gagged and agreed to go outside to sacrifice his life to save the Sandin family. When the Sandin’s realized this stranger offered himself as a sacrifice, they decided to fight against Wakefield and his sick and twisted troupe.

After a blood-filled massacre, James Sandin was brutally murdered and the twist at the end of the film



WEB PHOTO

“The Purge” hit theaters June 7, bringing in over \$34 million opening weekend.

portrayed the rage of the neighbors for the wealth and prosperity of the Sandin’s, and the neighbor’s decision to purge the Sandin family to release their anger. In the end, the main characters walked away emotionally scarred for life, yet alive; never to live the seemingly perfect life they had at the start of the film.

I was intrigued by this film due to the aspect that the purge was designed to eliminate the people that are unable to protect themselves

during these 12 hours of unpunished crime. This government-induced process of natural selection was designed to keep peace in the world a majority of the time and only the strong would survive after the conclusion of the annual sanctioned purge. The irony is clear due to the fact that the safest house in the neighborhood was under the harshest attack.

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something completely new to Greenville.”

Creating a diner that would suit everyone and provide a new flavor was why Emory came to Greenville. Previously, he lived in Wilmington and Asheville.

“I looked at Greenville as a place that was so far behind that it needed a revamping,” said Emory. “I’ve brought a little bit of that hippie vibe to Greenville.”

Emory wants to do more things in Greenville. “I want to do a place that’s all local — all local produce, everything,” said Emory. “I’m all about supporting local business, supporting a small community. I just feel that Greenville is all chains and it needs something new.”



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### Israel: A Light unto the Nations

**Those who demonize Israel are either misinformed or malevolent**

If that proverbial man from Mars came to visit and read the world’s newspapers, especially those in the Arab and Muslim world, he would be convinced that Israel was the most evil nation in the world and the source of all of the world’s strife.

#### What are the facts?

**A nation to be emulated.** The reality, of course, is that Israel is a nation, a society, that should be admired and emulated by many countries in the world. The very fact of how the State of Israel came into being is one of the most inspiring in history. Born out of the ashes of the Holocaust, it has emerged as one of the most advanced, productive and prosperous countries in the world.

The demonization of Israel, assiduously cultivated by the Muslim world, reached a crescendo following Israel’s defensive actions in Gaza. Instead of being grateful to the hated Jews for having totally withdrawn, the Palestinian Gazans showed their “gratitude” by almost daily pounding of Israeli towns with thousands of rockets and bombs. After countless warnings, Israel ultimately decided to put an end to this travesty.

When Israel finally did invade Gaza it took the most elaborate precautions not to hurt civilians. As a first in the history of warfare, Israel dropped tens of thousands of leaflets, warning the population and urging it to abandon areas in which military action would take place. The Israeli military made thousands of phone calls urging people to leave areas that would come under attack. But fighting in a densely populated environment is difficult and loss of civilian life is hard to avoid. Hamas fighters wear no uniforms. It is impossible to tell them from civilians. Is a person who allows a rocket launcher in his backyard a civilian or a fighter? And how about using schools, hospitals and mosques as munitions depots and staff centers? The hue and cry of Israel’s demonizers of using “disproportionate force” is totally absurd. The ultimate insult, comparing Israel to the Nazis, is freely bandied about by Israel’s detractors.

**Israel is not an “apartheid state.”** Another familiar tack of Israel’s vilifiers is to call it an “apartheid state,” on the model of former South Africa. But that

is so ridiculous, so preposterous, it is hard to believe that serious people can countenance it. The exact opposite is the case. Israel is the only country in its benighted neighborhood in which people of all colors and religions prosper and have equal rights. Israel, expending substantial effort, rescued tens of thousands of black Jews from Ethiopia. And it has given assistance and absorbed countless Christian expatriates from Sudan, who escaped from being slaughtered by their Muslim countrymen. Israel’s over one million Arab citizens enjoy the same rights and privileges as their Jewish fellows. They are represented in the Knesset, Israel’s parliament, and are members of its bureaucracy, of its judiciary, and of its diplomatic service.

All over the world, Leftists, including in the United States and, sad to say, even in Israel itself, tirelessly condemn and vilify Israel. Why would they do that? First, of course, there is good old-fashioned anti-Semitism. Second, many of those who hate the United States vent their poison on Israel, which they consider being America’s puppet in that area of the world. But Israel should certainly get top grades in all areas important to the Left. In contrast to all its enemies, Israel has the same democratic institutions as the United States. All religions thrive freely in Israel. Also, in contrast to all of its enemies, women have the same rights as men. The Chief Justice of Israel’s Supreme Court is a woman. One-sixth of the Knesset are women. Compare that to Saudi Arabia, a medieval theocracy, where women are not even allowed to drive cars, where they cannot leave the country without permission of a male relative, and where they can be and often are condemned to up to 60 lashes if the “modesty police” deems them not to be properly dressed in public. Gays and lesbians are totally unmolested in Israel; in the surrounding Muslim countries they would be subjected to the death penalty.

In spite of demonization and vilification by so much of the world, Israel is indeed a Light unto the Nations. The State of Israel is the foremost creation of the Jewish enterprise and Jewish intellect that has benefited every country in which Jews dwell, certainly our own country, the United States of America. Second only to the United States itself, Israel is the world’s most important factor in science and technology, way out of proportion to the small size of its population. Israeli Jews are at the forefront of the arts, the sciences, law and medicine. They have brought all these sterling qualities to bear in building their own country: Israel. By necessity, they have also become outstanding in agriculture and, most surprisingly, in the military. What a shame that the Arabs opted not to participate in this progress and in this prosperity and chose instead the path of revenge, of Jihad and of martyrdom. As the prophet Isaiah presaged: Israel is indeed a Light unto the Nations.

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**Staff Reports**

**Swimmer receives C-USA scholarship award**

East Carolina senior swimmer Hannah Lee was one of 12 student-athletes who were selected as recipients of a Conference USA Jim Castañeda Postgraduate Scholarship Awards on Tuesday. The conference annually presents the \$4,000 Postgraduate Scholarship awards to graduates selected by the C-USA Faculty Athletics Representatives and approved by the Board of Directors.

A four-year letterman, Lee was recognized as ECU's 2012-13 Outstanding Female Scholar-Athlete. The Wake Forest, N.C., native achieved a 3.973 cumulative GPA with a degree in health education and promotion.

A two-time Conference USA Championship finalist and a four-time recipient of the C-USA Academic Medal, Lee plans to attend dental school this fall.

**Johnson named to CFPA Defensive Watch List**

After leading all East Carolina defenders in sacks, tackles for lost yardage, fumble recoveries and quarterback pressures a year ago, senior outside linebacker Derrell Johnson has earned inclusion on the 2013 College Football Performance Awards (CFPA) Defensive Watch List, according to a release by the organization Monday.

Johnson, who is one of 41 players on the CFPA's Linebacker Trophy Watch List, was an All-Conference USA performer for the Pirates last fall. He stood among the league's top 10 with 7.0 sacks and netted 11.0 overall stops behind the line of scrimmage while starting all 13 contests. In addition, the Baltimore prep product was credited with a pair of fumble recoveries, keyed a pass rush with eight pressures and logged 62 total tackles — 27 solo.

Johnson will open the 2013 season with a streak of 36-straight starts and a run of 25 consecutive contests with at least one tackle.

**Women's volleyball, swimming receive gold stars for academics**

In addition to a listing of passing grades for all 19 of East Carolina's athletic programs, two gold stars were included on its annual NCAA report card that tracks academic progress of scholarship athletes.

All ECU sports teams scored above the 930 multi-year APR minimum in 2011-12, according to the NCAA's release. The report also identified five Pirate teams — men's tennis; and women's golf, swimming, tennis and volleyball — achieved graduation success rate scores, or GSRs, of 100.

This year, the NCAA gave special public recognition awards to two ECU teams as the women's volleyball and women's swimming programs each achieved APR rates in the top 10 percent of all squads nationwide in their respective sport.



Miguel Paul (left) and Maurice Kemp (right) workout in their home state Florida in preparation for the upcoming NBA draft on June 27 at the Barclays Center. NICK FAULKNER | THE EAST CAROLINIAN

# Pirates prepare for Pros

“**Everything we did Coach Lebo had me prepared for.**”

**- Miguel Paul**

**Ronnie Moore**  
SPORTS EDITOR

The opportunity to play professional basketball isn't given to everyone, but two Pirates are making the most of the chances laid before them.

Come June 27, only 60 of the best amateur players will be selected in the NBA draft. College basketball, possibly a fan favorite among sports fanatics, has begun a trend where many talented freshmen will jump ship after only one year on a college campus. The NBA seeks these highly talented players because of their raw athleticism and their potential talent, along with other factors.

This has been a successful

system in some regards as players like Kyrie Irving, DeMarcus Cousins, John Wall, Anthony Davis and Derrick Rose have succeeded in the league after leaving at such a young age.

College seniors used to be recognized as cherished players and the most physically "matured" players of their time. Now this no longer desired. With the combination of the new trend and playing at a smaller basketball school, like ECU, it puts good players like Maurice Kemp and Miguel Paul in tough situations.

The off-season is made for progress and improvement, which is exactly what these two seniors have been doing in preparation for

team workouts and examinations.

Kemp and Paul are native Floridians and have returned to their home state to work out on their own. For Paul, he has worked out with the Washington Wizards. That took place on June 3, where Paul and five other collegiate players ran drills and competed in some three-on-three action.

"I felt like I played really well and shot the ball extremely well," said Paul. "Everything we did Coach Lebo had me prepared for."

Along with his work out in D.C., Paul and his agent have also scheduled an upcoming workout

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**OPINION**

## Athletics step into the spotlight

**Bradley Harwood**  
STAFF WRITER

ECU sports have always fallen under the shadow of the in-state ACC schools. The prime examples are UNC Chapel Hill, Duke and N.C. State. However, in recent memory the Pirates have begun to hold their own both on and off the playing fields.

When asked about ECU, most people outside of Greenville would say it's a school that is decently well known, but not in the national spotlight. That could all change with the conference move set for 2014 when the Pirates will join the newly named "Big East", now known as the "American Athletic Conference."

The movement to this conference will bring a multitude of national exposure for the Pirates

along with a TV deal. With all sports on the right track to be successful, there is no reason why the Pirates can't grasp their new spotlight and make the most of it.

The football program is coming off an 8-5 record and their first bowl appearance in three years. They locked up Head Coach Ruffin McNeill with a conference extension and have 23 of 26 offensive players who saw action last year returning, with most of their star players only beginning their junior year.

Pirate baseball had a disappointing season, missing the postseason, but with multiple recruits on the way next spring could be a return to winning ways for the program.

Winning the CollegeInsider.com Tournament last season and

appearing on Sportcenter's Top 10 multiple times has given the men's Pirate basketball a sense of belonging. Another bright spot in the season was when they lost to UNC Chapel Hill by six points in Chapel Hill while scoring the most points allowed in a single half by a Roy Williams coached team. The women's program had an outstanding season and look to be on track for another next year.

Pirate athletics is on the come-up, so to speak, and the future is bright. The new conference will bring unrivaled attention to the football program and potential future Pirates (recruits) are beginning to take notice. In my time covering ECU recruiting I have heard multiple recruits say that they know the program and

school is on the right track to becoming a powerhouse.

None of what is said above denounces the success Pirate athletics have had in the past, it simply says that the pieces are in place to have even more. It's obvious the Pirates are tired of being in the shadow of their rival in-state schools and are ready to take the next step. With highly decorated and new Athletic Director, Jeff Compher at the head, Pirate athletics have a chance to make noise in the coming years.

Only time will tell whether the Pirates are ready to take center stage and continue to shock the masses. I'd like to think they would do just that.

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## CALENDAR

"I felt like I played really well and shot the ball really well. Everything we did Coach Lebo had me prepared for it." - said Miguel Paul about his training leading into the NBA draft.

Wednesday 6/19	Thursday 6/20	Friday 6/21	Friday 6/21
College World Series	College World Series	College World Series	College World Series
Oregon State vs. Indiana	Game No.10	Oregon State/Indiana vs. Mississippi	Game No. 12
7:00 p.m.	7:00 p.m.	2:00 p.m.	7:00 p.m.





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N.C. State's Carlos Rodon threw a complete game against in-state rival UNC Chapel Hill.

## N.C. rivals clash in Omaha

**Josh Graham**  
SENIOR WRITER

Despite taking substantially different routes to get to Omaha, both N.C. State and North Carolina represent the state in the NCAA Baseball College World Series.

The Wolfpack have yet to lose a game in the tournament en route to their first world series since 1968, while the No. 1 ranked Tar Heels survived numerous scares in both the regional and super regional rounds to clinch their sixth trip to Omaha since 2006.

Fittingly, the two sides faced off for the fourth time of the season Sunday—their first meeting since UNC's 2-1 18-inning win in the ACC Tournament—to showcase the state of the North Carolina on the national stage.

Throughout much of the season, N.C. State wasn't able to provide run support for its ace Carlos Rodon. But against its in-state rival, the Wolfpack's bats rose to the occasion when it mattered.

From the first inning on, N.C. State overpowered UNC and its All-American southpaw Kent Emanuel on its way to an impressive 8-1 win at TD Ameritrade Park.

Meanwhile, Rodon worked through the Tar Heel lineup efficiently. Unlike his previous start against Rice, which he allowed a season-high 11 hits when his slider wasn't landing, Rodon struck out five of his first eight batters (four with the slider) and

didn't surrender a hit until the fifth inning.

In a complete game, Rodon threw 109 pitches (73 for strikes), struck out eight and only allowed five hits. This shouldn't be a surprise to anyone.

In three of his last four starts against UNC, Rodon has pitched at least nine innings, but didn't get any help. In his last meeting with the Tar Heels on May 26, the Wolfpack wasted various chances, while the sophomore lefty tossed ten innings. Even though he only surrendered one unearned run, it wasn't enough to get him over the hump.

Rodon's teammates weren't going to settle for the same result on the national stage in Omaha.

In the top of the first inning, the Wolfpack jumped in front on Tarran Senay's two-out bleeder into left field that scored Trea Turner from second base. But as they have learned from previous struggles, they didn't stop there.

With the bottom of the order due up in the top of the third, N.C. State took command of the game. Third baseman Grant Clyde was the first of four batters to log RBI hits in the frame — preceding New Bern native Brett Williams, Bryan Adametz and Logan Ratledge — and prompted Mike Fox to sit Emanuel in favor of Chris McCue.

In his 2 2/3 innings, Emanuel threw 64 pitches and was on the hook for the Wolfpack's first four runs on six hits. On the other side, Rodon held the Tar Heels without a hit until catcher Brian Holberton's two-out single in the fifth.

UNC built on that in the bottom of the seventh and showed its first sign of resistance with base runners on first and second base, but it wasn't to be. Shortstop Michael Russell sharply grounded into an inning-ending 5-3 double play to extinguish the threat.

In the following inning, the Wolfpack ended any hopes of a comeback on Austin's sacrifice fly to score Ratledge and extend its lead to 6-0. Adding insult to injury, they added two more insurance runs in the ninth on back-to-back RBI groundouts by Jake Armstrong and Ratledge.

Rodon's shutout bid was spoiled in the bottom of the ninth on Landon Lassiter's RBI-double into the gap in right-centerfield, scoring Chaz Frank.

The College World Series operates with a double elimination format, so there is a chance these two foes could meet again. Regardless, it is abundantly clear that the state of North Carolina reigns supreme on the diamond, in addition to the hardwood.

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with his hometown Orlando Magic. That is slated for later this month.

Unlike Paul, it seems that senior sensation Maurice Kemp hasn't met with NBA teams in a workout format. He has been in Miami training, but has yet to break news of any workout sessions. The 6-foot-8-inch forward has faced difficulties in being called not physical enough for the pros, which are the few questions about his game. Many teams are probably wondering that right now but the possibility of Kemp being drafted at the end of the draft

is still there.

Paul Seaver, head sports writer for Rant Sports, admires Kemp's game and as a player scout he hopes that an NBA team will give him the opportunity come summer.

Most likely these two Pirates will go undrafted, but will immediately get offers to play on summer league teams. The summer league gives players the opportunity to develop under NBA coaching and earn the right to make a professional roster.

With the emergence of Danny Green and other second round picks, it

remains to be seen if using a second round pick on a college senior is the way to go instead of spending them on European players. Certain collegiate players have grown up under the guidance of coaches who have been around pro basketball or were once college players.

If all goes well, ECU will see two of their all time great players suit up for a team this summer and possibly by the start of the season come November.

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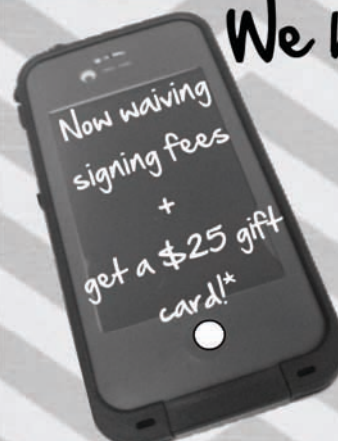
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