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Staff Reports

ECU FoodMASTER Camp

Twenty-eight middle school students will participate in the ECU's FoodMASTER Summer Science Camp this June and July.

The camp is set up to provide hands-on math and science experience to students from the Pitt County Boys and Girls Club. Faculty from the departments of hospitality leadership and nutrition science will teach students to cook and garden in an effort to review concepts from biology, chemistry, horticulture, nutrition science and math.

The camp was created in 1999 by Melani Duffrin along with Sharon Phillips to bring science, math, and nutrition concepts to life through activities using common household items such as measuring cups, cereals, flour, fruits, vegetables and milk.

Comfy footwear may present danger

JUNIOUS SMITH III (MCT)

Flip-flops have become as much of a staple to American fashion as almost anything else. They are a \$2 billion industry in the U.S. with 23 million sold annually—mainly because of the fit and feel.

Not everyone is a fan of flip-flops. The strap between the toes can be irritating to some and have been known to cause blisters.

Medical expert John Whyte posted a story in The Huffington Post in 2011, saying "A recent study found that flip-flop wearers tend to grip the footwear with their toes, causing shorter stride length and improper force when their feet hit the ground. What does this mean? Basically, a powerful force is transferred up our legs, putting additional stress on our lower body."

Whyte also wrote about the lack of arch support in flip-flops, which could cause plantar fasciitis—a painful inflammation of connective tissues on the sole of the foot—with prolonged use.

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ECU employee saved shoppers

Jamitress Bowden
STAFF WRITER

A woman saw Friday's shooter, Lakim Faust, 23, walking towards the Toys R Us off of Greenville Boulevard and took action.

Erin Pierce, assistant director of athletics ticket operations, was eating lunch at the Applebees restaurant when she saw the shooter crossing the parking lot. Pierce did not know Faust had already shot people near the Wal-Mart side entrance by Hooker Road.

"He was walking with purpose, but he was in no hurry," said Pierce. Pierce noticed Faust was walking towards the Toys R Us and immediately her previous emergency training had kicked in. During her time with United Airlines as a flight attendant supervisor, the tragic September 11th event occurred.

"My mind kicked in to say, this is about to happen and not happening, so how can I help?" said Pierce as she thought to call. "I thought he was trying to hide in the store."

According to WNCT, there was such a high volume of 911 calls that the emergency operators called their newsroom to inform the public that emergency crews were approaching the scene.

Pierce called the Toys R Us to inform the staff of a shooter in the parking lot and to lock the doors immediately. "It's one thing to see

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An ECU employee witnessed a gunman crossing the Walmart parking lot and notified the nearby toy store.

In case you missed it...

Marcella Camara
STAFF WRITER

On June 21st around 11 a.m., 23-year-old Lakim Faust of Greenville, N.C. opened fire outside of Kellum Law Firm on Greenville Boulevard.

Armed with a pistol grip shot gun, Faust shot one person in their car outside of the law firm. He

then traveled across the street to the Wal-Mart parking lot, where he shot and injured three more people.

Police responded to the shootings at approximately 11:44 a.m. and tracked Faust down near Hooker Road behind the Toys R Us. After a brief shootout between

Greenville police and Faust, officers shot and disabled him, taking him into custody, charging him with four counts of attempted murder. After the incident, Greenville PD shut down Greenville Boulevard, starting from the intersection of Evans Street, for approximately five hours.

LOCAL STRIKE



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Walmart butchered by protest

Local animal rights activists held a demonstration outside Walmart to call attention to the superstore's pork supplier's practice of confining pregnant sows to small gestation crates for most of their lives.

Orientation adjusted for majors

Brittany Sanderson
STAFF WRITER

Changes to the student orientation schedule have been made this summer to make the sessions more beneficial to new students.

ECU's Office of Student Transitions is constantly working to improve the new student orientation. Karen Smith, associate director of student transitions, thinks students will appreciate the changes for the 2013 orientation. Smith said a new section was integrated into the already busy orientation schedule. The section is for students to explore their majors.

"They will learn a little about their major, what it entails, jobs they can get and requirements," said Smith.

Along with the new section, a new method for asking questions has been implemented. Now, students are given a number where they can text any questions they have. The questions go to a Google Voice Account, where the orientation staff is waiting to answer.

Smith said this is another way to make sure students are fully informed. "The orientation assistants are trained in all areas to answer questions," said Smith. "Most departments on campus keep representatives around to answer the more in depth questions."

The math placement test is taken online during orientation. "The students have to go to a com-

puter lab to take the placement test," said Smith. "We [orientation staff] are still getting used to this change."

Orientation isn't mandatory at the university but it's highly recommended. "If students don't come to orientation they can't register for classes or get their one card until they arrive in the fall," said Smith.

Smith said orientation is meant to introduce students to campus organizations and resources. "We want students to feel confident and excited about coming back," she said. "We also want the parents to feel confident about

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Alert system sends text accidentally

Jackson Sipperly
STAFF WRITER

Last Monday, an ECU Police Operator accidentally sent a test message out from their emergency notification system -- ECU Alert.

The alert was sent out just before 7:30 p.m. and stated that the university was on lockdown because of a violent intruder on campus near Brewster. A follow up message was then sent at 8:21 p.m. stating that the previous message was to be disregarded, as it was just a test message.

This message caused different reactions from students across campus. Some, such as Junior Business Major Kevin Robinson, hardly even knew the initial test tweet happened.

"I only heard about the intruder through some of my friends retweeting the message that said the previous tweet should be disregarded," said Robinson. "I never would have known about the test if it hadn't been for that."

There were plenty of people who did see the test message immediately after it was sent out, such as Junior Communication Major Uri Andrews.

"When I first saw the news, I was really concerned and I prayed that none of my friends or loved ones would be affected," said Andrews.

Even though the people who heard the news initially worried for an hour, eventually their concern was replaced with a sense of calm stemming from the reveal that the tweet was just a test.

"It was a great relief to find out that it was just a test and it gave me peace of mind knowing no one in my community would be hurt in this matter," said Andrews.

One thing that made this particular alert so alarming to students was

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that on TV, and it's another thing to be 100-feet from him," said Pierce.

Pierce said people in Applebees initially thought someone had robbed the McDonalds because of the amount of employees standing outside of the establishment. Police eventually came to the Applebees to clarify some information about the situation and to instruct the staff not to let anybody else in or out of the restaurant.

Once the lockdown was over, Pierce called the toy store again to make sure everyone was okay and then went back to work. She says

she hugged her children for "a really long time" that evening.

Pierce later found out that her sister-in-law was in the parking lot texting, when the shooter walked past her car. Her mother, children, nieces and nephews were heading to the Fuji Japan for lunch.

Faust, the suspected shooter, is being held on a \$6 million bond and has requested a public defender, according to WNCT. In 2006, Pitt Community College Police arrested Faust for violating the ban placed after classroom disruption while attending GED courses at PCC, reported by WNCT.

The victims named were released yesterday afternoon: Timothy Edwards, 64, Carroll Oakes, 70, Vernon Leggett, 69, and Haywood Whichard Jr., 50 were taken to Vidant Medical Center, where they are all currently listed under stable condition.

A laptop computer and a Play Station 3 were seized from Faust's apartment on June 25. Greenville Police officials, for analysis, have requested audio files, pictures, emails and internet history from the past year.

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leaving their student here."

The university holds eight orientation sessions during the summer for new students. Because of the size of this year's freshman class the number of students attending each session has increased. Smith said the staff size is the same as previous years.

"My orientation assistants are awesome. They make my job easier," said Smith.

Smith said the students really benefit from talking with the orientation assistants. "They talk with faculty and staff, but when they come, they want to talk to a real ECU student," she said.

Recent Nursing graduate Samantha Meinsen is attending orientation with her younger sister. She

said the orientation assistants hadn't changed from when she first attended as a freshman. "They were so pumped and excited," she said. "That's what I remember most about my orientation."

Meinsen said letting the students learn about their major before they start it is a great idea.

Public Relations Major Michael Wright agreed with Meinsen about students being able to learn more about their major.

"My first major was history. I didn't know anything about it until I started taking classes," he said. "If I had known more, I might not have wasted a year or two."

Wright said the experience of being on campus and getting used to Greenville was the most impor-

tant part of his orientation.

"It was the first time I had been to ECU. It was cool to be in the dorms and I met people that later became friends," he said.

Wright said he was amazed with the dining halls. "I ate like a king for the first few weeks, and then I realized I was eating the same thing every day," he said.

Criminal Justice Major Matthew Peaden was also impressed with the dining halls. "I thought the food would be crappy because it's a dining hall, but it wasn't," he said.

Peaden is now a sophomore and he said seeing the freshmen on campus is weird. "Everywhere I go, there is a flock of them," he said.

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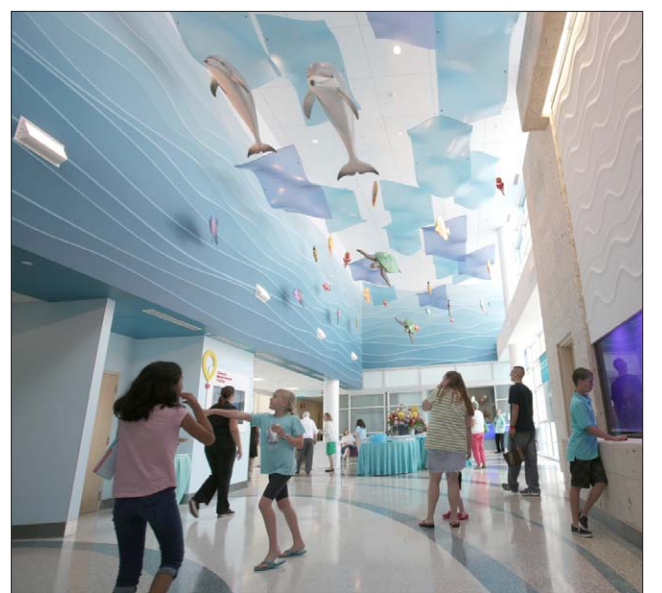
Children's Hospital Opens at Vidant

Staff Reports

The James and Connie Maynard Children's Hospital at Vidant Medical Center officially opened last week. The 78,000-foot addition to the medical center was built to care for children in the 29-county region served by Vidant, according to a press release.

The \$48.2 million facility was financed by fundraising events as well as a \$9 million gift by James and Connie Maynard of Raleigh after which the new building was named. The Children's Miracle Network has been raising funds for the Maynard Children's Hospital for over 26 years, totaling \$18 million for the construction and maintenance of the hospital.

The new center offers the hundreds of thousands of children whose families live east of I-95 in North Carolina 130 inpatient beds,



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The Maynard Children's Hospital will serve 29 counties in NC.

67 outpatient beds and a special care nursery, consisting of 21 beds, each in a private room.

The state-of-the-art facility is split into five different units, including the neonatal intensive care unit, pediatric intensive care unit, special care nursery, pedi-

atric day/medical unit and kids immunosuppressed specialty unit. The entire new facility will be connected to the Vidant Medical Center, as well as the Brody School of Medicine.

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that the location mentioned in the tweet was around a normally populated area on campus, the Brewster building.

"Seeing this alert about someone violent and dangerous was particularly scary to me because this alert was regarding a crowded spot on campus, whereas alerts are normally about random robberies that happen blocks away from campus," said Andrews.

Despite the accident that resulted in the test message being sent out, some students around campus still view ECU Alert service as

a great way to notify people about the different dangers occurring in their community.

"ECU Alert helps me learn a lot about how to stay safe in Greenville. Looking at the addresses of where the incidents in the alerts happen educates me on what parts of town I should stay out of," said Robinson. "I have also learned how dangerous the walk back from downtown can be due to the number of alerts about people being robbed while walking back to campus from downtown."

Most ECU students understand the importance

of having an alert service in an area where crime often strikes close to home.

"The alert system lets me stay connected with what is happening in my community and helps me learn how to avoid situations like the ones highlighted in the alert messages," said Andrews. "Because of the alert system, I've learned never to walk places by myself at night and always be aware of where I am and of my surroundings in order to ensure I'm not the next victim to be included in an ECU Alert."

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The main benefit of taking summer classes: getting first dibs on the new booty during orientation.

ECU Parking and Transportation has reduced the parking spots for the CDL from four to two. So how do I pick up or drop off my toddler when there are no spots to use? I will not be paying your stupid tickets so you better not ticket any CDL parent.

Don't you just LOVE people that only respond to you when they need something?

My first Rant as a jobless Pirate alumnus: "Stay here. Stay here as long as you can. For the love of God, cherish it."

Guys in Greenville need to get it together. When you move elsewhere, girls will not speak to you.

Big lips doesn't always mean a good kisser any more than big shoes means...

There are only two times I get off my skateboard: when I fall in love, and when I fall off. I'm still on my skateboard.

As girls get fatter, their shorts seem to get shorter.

To the person who didn't get a ticket for parking on campus; better check your OneStop. I know people who walk around pulling those tickets off cars.

I wonder if I show ALE my planner if they would excuse me from a ticket.

Is anybody else pissed that Summer Session 2 started right after 1? First my ex won't give me a break, now my school?

Every time I submit a Pirate Rant and it doesn't get printed, a little piece of me dies.

I'm tempted to jump in one of these orientation groups just for the free stuff.

I don't know if my sanity or liver can last until graduation in May.

These girls try way too hard in downtown Greenville. You look like a desperate clown.

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EDITORIAL

Our view

Finding room for freshmen

With the largest amount of incoming freshman that our university has ever seen, the issue with housing all of these students has been a debacle. ECU Campus Living has had to try to accommodate returning students, transfer students and incoming freshmen into the dorms, and there is just not enough room for such a large amount of students. Because ECU now requires all incoming freshman to live on campus, there is no other option than to deny returning students and transfer students wanting to live on campus.

Students fresh out of high school are craving freedom and although the university believes living on campus is beneficial to the success of new students, this may not be the case when not enough space is available. To ensure that every dorm room will be filled, this rule was instated.

The editorial staff believes that freshman should be able to choose where they live.

Many off-campus housing and apartments are taking a hit when it comes to these large amounts of students being required to live on campus their first year. To us, although living on campus is convenient and allows you to delve into every aspect of the university, some students thrive on freedom and independence, which is what college is all about.

Transferring from a community college, many of us were not required to live on campus when coming to the university. For us, this was a breath of fresh air, which did not force us to live with strangers in a confined space, but rather a local apartment complex with convenient transit.

Requiring such a large class of incoming freshmen to live on campus is possible if many current residents are relocated, but this is not an ideal situation for many. If the reason this rule was put into place was to guarantee that all rooms were filled, this seems irrelevant because there is now a

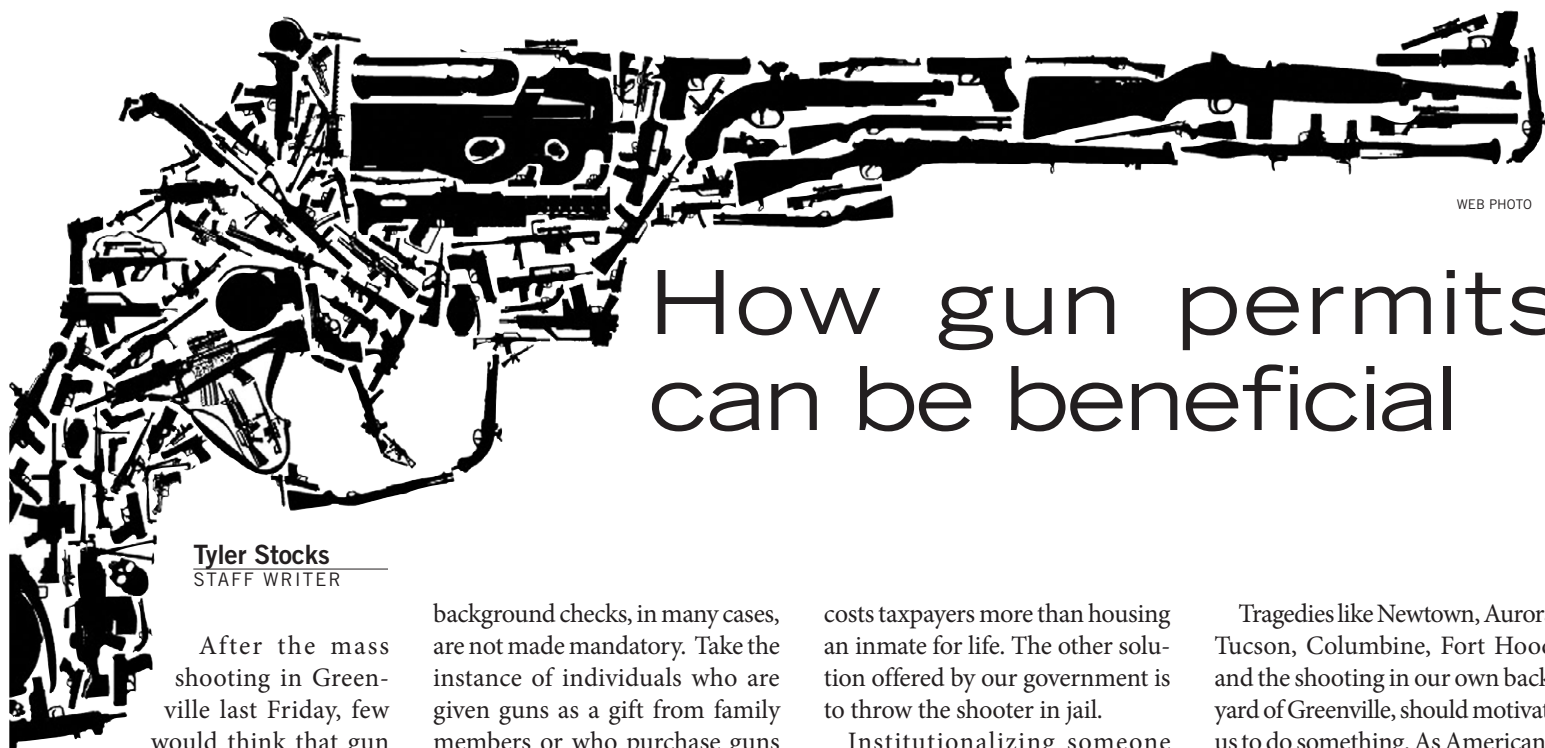
problem with overcrowding.

These changes also bring up the problem of converting all single rooms to doubles, creating 80 more rooms, but inconveniencing RAs who pride themselves on having a safe environment where students can come to them with problems. Many RAs have a problem with being set up with a new roommate due to overcrowding, but with a lack of rooms, this may be the only option.

There are dozens of local apartment complexes and housing units in the grid that can accommodate the amount of incoming students, and although the university will not directly receive revenue from this housing, they are still creating large quantities of money from tuition and other university expenses that will ensure that the university will prosper.

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Victims without a voice



WEB PHOTO

How gun permits can be beneficial

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After the mass shooting in Greenville last Friday, few would think that gun violence is declining in Greenville, let alone nationwide. In fact, most people think the problem is getting incredibly worse.

Research conducted by the Pew Research Center finds that gun violence in the US has declined 49 percent. But despite these statistics, the response to gun violence shouldn't be to do nothing.

Lawmakers need to do something to address violence in Greenville. Lives are at stake and they matter to the families who suffer at the hands of a deranged gunman.

Friday's shooting at the Kellum Law Firm and Wal-Mart parking lot should wake us up. Instead of reacting solely on our emotions, our thinking should be more intellectual. We need to mandate background checks, address our broken mental health system and require mental health screenings for prospective gun owners.

In America, it has become so easy to obtain firearms. One major reason for the easy access is that

background checks, in many cases, are not made mandatory. Take the instance of individuals who are given guns as a gift from family members or who purchase guns at gun shows.

Individuals sell their guns to random strangers or personal friends. Chances are those who become gun owners haven't had a background check. Now that new gun owner can go to Wal-Mart and purchase as much ammunition as he or she needs.

Making background checks mandatory is only the beginning of finding solutions to the problem of lax gun laws.

Individuals suffering from mental illness don't need guns. The gunman who went on a shooting spree in Greenville last Friday is a prime example.

Individuals suffering from obvious mental health problems get neglected. They become irrational, go out on a rampage, and kill innocent victims, often without a straightforward motive.

The first knee-jerk reaction to a shooting by so many people is to advocate the death penalty. Capital punishment solves nothing and

costs taxpayers more than housing an inmate for life. The other solution offered by our government is to throw the shooter in jail.

Institutionalizing someone instead of addressing the lack of mental health services available to him or her is an issue that no one seems to talk about.

Every year, mental health budgets get cut and yet people wonder why shootings are so frequent. Individuals with obvious mental health issues end up taking matters into their own hands and lose their entire rational mind. They are desperate for attention and no one is listening.

The government needs to figure out a way to help rehabilitate instead of institutionalize everyone. Eventually, facilities become overcrowded, underfunded and dangerous for inmates and employees, and the goal of reducing crime becomes an epic failure.

Mandatory mental health screenings will also help. Prospective gun owners should be required to undergo screenings. Checking to make sure that a person is mentally stable is not far fetched. If anything, it's common sense.

Tragedies like Newtown, Aurora, Tucson, Columbine, Fort Hood, and the shooting in our own backyard of Greenville, should motivate us to do something. As Americans, the opportunity to change begins with accepting that as President Obama so eloquently stated, "We are the change we seek."

People have become desensitized to gun violence. Meanwhile, the victims of gun violence continue to suffer. Instead of getting anything accomplished in Washington, the debate over the Second Amendment and politics is more of a priority.

America continues to be dysfunctional. People choose political sides and consequently, we become divided as a nation. But, with more of a socially responsible conscience and less extrapolation of the Second Amendment, Americans can come together as one.

We can end the violence that runs rampant in our country. Until then, the narrative of senseless killings continues. And victims are left without a voice.

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Musical prodigy turned professor

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Music is more than notes on a page or harmonies resonating through headphones. For some, music has seeped so deeply into the cracks of their soul that it's shaped and reshaped their disposition on the deepest of levels.

Glenn Hubbard, ECU communication professor, became absorbed into a musical environment at an early age. The son of an accomplished musician and a mother whose musical prowess was not to be undervalued, Hubbard's feel for music is more than simply an acquired trait; it's an inherited gene.

"My family was just all about music," said Hubbard. "Both my parents had other day jobs. Nevertheless, they paid for lessons for me and my brother. It was just sort of understood that we all do music."

Hubbard developed his technical ability from his father, who was a product of the Duke Ellington-Benny Goodman driven Big Band Era of the 1940s and early 1950s. His father was the leader of a local Miami jazz group, which gained recognition by performing at fraternity parties and venues all over the city.

Enter Elvis Presley and The Beatles. As America became immersed in rock 'n' roll and the demand for jazz artists sharply declined, Hubbard's father hung up his saxophone and bounced around from job to job. After attending graduate school, he went on to become a professor, a journey mirrored by his son 30 years later.

"When my brother and I were kids he wanted to give us the opportunity to be



CONTRIBUTED PHOTO

Hubbard was considered a prodigy when his passion for music thrived during early childhood.

serious musicians too, so he got back into it and started a big band," said Hubbard, who was playing saxophone in middle school at the time. "There was a retiree kind of scene in Western North Carolina where I grew up. I started playing in that when I was 13."

The rock 'n' roll movement that ended his dad's professional career would later spark Hubbard's interests and lay the foundation for his future musical endeavors.

"He was real young, four years old, and he was being covered by a local news station for a broadcast news report," said Barbara Bullington, a current co-worker and office neighbor of Hubbard's for the last three years. "He was playing the piano and classic music

and just real young—a real prodigy.

In high school, Hubbard, his brother and a few musically inclined friends tried to emulate his father's fraternity swaying success by forming jazz band of their own.

"We started just booking wedding receptions and company parties," said Hubbard. At some point we realized, 'We're not perceived as cool for doing this. This is kind of a dorky thing we're doing.' Mostly we were just playing old music for old people."

Nevertheless, the geeky high school ensemble gave way to some accomplished artists, including Matt Vance of Chuck Owen & The Jazz Surge. Vance's group was nominated for a Grammy Award in 2010 for Best Instrumental Arrangement.

Hubbard continued to play in various groups with a range of genres after high school and in college. In 2011, he joined The Shake Doctors, a cover party band based out of New Bern, but after two years became displeased with the bar bound direction the band was heading.

A few months before his departure from The Shake Doctors, Hubbard decided to rekindle an old flame, reconnecting with his friend Rog.

"Rog and I started writing songs and recording on my old 4-Track cassette machine when we were 15-years-old," said Hubbard. "It was always fun and always a creative outlet for me that just seemed better than the stuff I was playing for money."

After a 10 year sabbatical from playing together, the two reunited in Brevard, N.C. to combine their talents and create a professionally recorded full-length album.

"We surprised ourselves," said

Hubbard. "We came up with a lot of ideas that we liked so much that we just started immediately refining them and trying to make an album. It was like a runaway train. We just did it."

The album, "Close the Club," resembles a 1970s jam band sound with crisp instrumentals and corky lyrics. While he denies the release of a second album, Hubbard admits that the duo has already written close to 15 new songs in the last year. "Music is perceived as being more of a commercial venture than painting, visual art, said Hubbard. "I think of recording as a piece of art."

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Book Review

James Bond, 'Chu' your heart out

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What does Roen Tan, an overweight IT Technician, who spends every day at a job he hates in order to support his cat Meow Meow, have in common with Genghis Khan,



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William Shakespeare, Napoleon Bonaparte, and Steve Jobs? Each one is a host for an alien race called the Quasing. The Quasing have been stranded on Earth since the Jurassic Period when their spaceship crashed and inadvertently caused the ice age that wiped out the dinosaurs. Unable to survive in the Earth's atmosphere, the Quasing have to form symbiotic relationships with hosts to live; by jumping from one host to the next they are essentially immortal. The Quasing then shepherded the evolution of the human race in order to advance technology far enough so that they can return home.

Unfortunately for us, the two factions have very different ideas about how to reach this goal. The Propheus, created by Tao, the alien protagonist of the novel, wish to advance society by peaceful means; they plan on leaving the natives of earth intact after their departure. The Genix on the other hand, believe that conflict and war is the only way to develop the technology required for their return home. The Genix are also willing to burn the earth to a cinder if it expedites their goal. This sets the backdrop to a clandestine war that has been raging since the Spanish Inquisition. No one expects the Spanish Inquisition, especially Roen Tan who is still feeling it's effects some 500 years later as the war still rages. Roen is simply minding his own business, attempting to drive home drunk and eat a frozen pizza, when Tao's hand is forced and he claims Roen as his host. Roen may not be the first, second, or even 30th choice to replace Tao's old host, who is Sean Connery incarnate, but he has nothing but potential.

"The Lives of Tao" is equal parts homage and spoof of the more famous James Bond franchise. Everything for a good spy novel is there: gunplay, martial arts, secret safe houses, cover-ups and everyone drinks scotch. Where this novel deviates from the average template is when

it pokes fun at the staples of the genre, and the whole alien conspiracy thing. When the lack of lairs hidden in volcanoes on private islands is brought up, Tao responds that evil-doers need cable and groceries too. Not to mention that beachfront property is too expensive for either organization to afford. There are numerous one-liners poking fun at the spy genre through the characters who act like Average Joe's. This isn't your dad's spy novel with agents who are too-cool-for-school.

It is impossible to not care for Roen. What makes him so endearing is even after he are turned into a lean-mean-fighting-machine, he is still terrified and sickened by battle. He is never cocky or forgets the heights to which he has climbed through the aid of Tao. The only thing worse than seeing the nerd getting picked on is seeing the nerd become the bully. It is almost a coming of age story, even though Roen is 30, he starts as a loser and becomes a man on his path to super-spydom. The book is riddled with more action scenes and jokes than a paper target at a gun range has holes but, there are also plenty of touching moments.

Roen's story is truly inspirational; he turns his life from something he loathes into something he is proud of. Roen is the epitome of the underdog-nerd who is too scared to talk to a girl or tell his boss that he doesn't want to work weekends. It is a triumphant moment when he begins standing up for himself. *The Revenge of the Nerds* couldn't have done it any better. This is Wesley Chu's first novel, and I believe that it is destined to be a hit. This novel is what the love child between *Office Space* and *Goldeneye* would look like with a healthy dash of extraterrestrials thrown in for good measure. Four scurvy preventing oranges out of five.

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Do It Yourself:

Melted crayon art

Kristen Martin
STAFF WRITER

One of the things I dislike more than anything are blank walls. However, paintings and other decorative items can get a little monotonous after a while. When scrolling through Pinterest one day, I came across melted crayon art and fell in love.

While this may sound like a kid's art project at first mention, there are several different takes on this art trend including some "grown-up" canvases that people of any age would love. Two types immediately popped out to me: 3D flowers and silhouettes.

SUPPLIES

- A wide variety of crayons.
- Glue.
- A canvas – your choice of size. I used an 11" x 14" for my flower canvas and an 8" x 10" for the silhouette.
- A hair dryer. A diffuser attachment can also be helpful.

HELPFUL HINTS

Most DIYs on melted crayon art recommend using a hot glue gun. Although hot glue guns are very useful for this, if you don't already have one it's an unnecessary expense.

For my canvases, I used Krazy glue, which can be bought at any grocery store. Personally, I believe the brush-on kind is best for this type of craft since it gives great coverage.

Although you can use any brand of crayons, Crayola crayons are typically the best because they melt easier, faster and smoother. For my flower canvas, I used a mix of Crayola and Roseart and noticed a better color turnout from the Crayola crayons. Dollar General sells the big 64-pack of Crayola crayons for only three dollars.

It's possible to create melted crayon art without gluing the crayons to the canvas. You can glue the crayons to a paint stick and hold it above the canvas as you heat the crayons. The effect will basically be the same.

For the flower canvas, after allowing the wax to dry, I glued flowers to the taller wax drippings.

THE BASIC METHOD:

- Gather all of your materials together. Spread newspaper in the area that you're working in so wax doesn't ruin your carpet or table.
- Sort the crayons out. For the flower canvas, I had to sort the greens out of several boxes, as well as sorting the blues out for the rainy silhouette.
- Glue your crayons along the top of the canvas. You can leave the wrappers on or take them off. Since I used Krazy glue instead of hot glue, I found it easier to leave the wrappers on so that the glue adhered better to the crayon. For smaller canvases, breaking the crayons in half allows for more space for the color to run.
- Allow at least an hour for the glue to completely dry and the crayons to settle.
- Prop the canvas up at a slight angle; a glass underneath the top edge works perfectly.
- Begin heating the crayons with the hair dryer. I used the low setting and a diffuser so that I wouldn't have the splatter effect that the high setting causes. Also, pointing the dryer downward helps the wax to run better.
- Keep heating the crayons until you get the effect you want.
- Leave the canvas propped up for a few minutes. The wax will dry almost instantaneously.
- Hang and enjoy!

For a rainy, umbrella silhouette canvas, a little more prep work is involved.

- Either before or after gluing on your blue crayons, find the silhouette you want to use and print it out. Cut it out and paste it on to your canvas in the desired location.
- Create a barrier so the wax doesn't drip over your silhouette. I just used cardboard and tape but Saran wrap or aluminum foil also works equally well.
- Let the wax drip off the bottom edge of the canvas and spread out to mimic a rainstorm.
- After it's dry, remove the cardboard and tape barrier, hang and enjoy!

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Hardy added to All-Purpose Performer watch list

Justin Hardy, junior inside receiver, has been named to the 2013 College Football Performance Awards list. The all-purpose performer-of-the-year candidate is among 36 players selected on the FBS level. Teammates Shane Carden (offense) and Derrell Johnson (defense) also accompany him on the 2013 CFPA Watch list.

Hardy logged 1,105 yards receiving, third all-time at ECU for a single season, is primed for another breakout year on offense. The Vanceboro, N.C. native is a dual threat as he also returns punts for the Pirates special teams squad.

More than 130 CFPA recipients have signed professional contracts, while 21 have been first-round NFL Draft selections.

Six Pirates named to Preseason All-CUSA team

Athlon Sports released their preseason all-conference selections for the 2013 season. Six different Pirates graced their selections, while Justin Hardy was selected twice. Not only was Hardy a first team selection for offense but he also is expected to be the conference's best punt returner. Joining Hardy on the first team offense is offensive lineman Will Simmons.

Two defensive players were named to the *Athlon Sports'* first team defense. Linebackers Jeremy Grove and Derrell Johnson were added to the list as well. Grove received All-Conference USA honors for the second straight season after his 83-tackle season. Johnson led the Pirates with seven sacks on the season, along with his 62 total tackles.

Junior quarterback Shane Carden and senior tailback Vintavious Cooper represented the second team offense for the Pirates. Carden threw for 3,116 yards and 23 touchdowns. The mobile quarterback also rushed for eight touchdowns, which led the Pirates. Cooper was named the Conference USA Newcomer-of-the-Year after starting eight games and rushing for 1,049 yards on just 200 carries. His seven touchdowns were second on the team and he ran for over 100 yards, four times.

Hudson places fourth at Championships

Cameron Hudson, men's long jump All-American, finished in fourth place at the 2013 USA Junior Outdoor Track and Field Championships last week.

His jump of 6.91 meters earned him a fourth place finish. Earlier in the season he tied the ECU school record of 7.86 meters.

During the ECU outdoor campaign, Hudson registered four first-place finishes in the long jump, a trio of second-place finishes in the 100-meter dash, and first-place finishes in the 4x100-meter, 4x200-meter, and 4x400-meter relays.

Summer ball begins

Several Pirates and former Pirates swing into summer play

Ronnie Moore
SPORTS EDITOR

Even though the 2013 season didn't finish and go as expected, the Pirates can be proud of the talent that ECU has produced in order to move onto the next level.

Two Pirates were selected in the Major League Baseball Professional Draft. Jack Reinheimer and Chase McDonald were both selected by teams that reside in the American League West division. Reinheimer, selected in the fifth round by the Seattle Mariners, was praised for his constant hustle and work ethic, as well as his natural instincts at the shortstop position.

"He can play short. He can run. He can hit. He's a nice player," Mariners Scouting Director Tom McNamara said. "We spent a lot of time watching him in the summer, and again, we were happy he was there when we picked."

Unlike his defense, his offense is still a few steps behind. The junior shortstop has played in eight games for the Everett AquaSox, which is the Class A Short-Season Northwest League affiliate of the Mariners.

In his eight games thus far, Reinheimer is batting a mere .179 with just five hits. The good thing to see is that on those five hits, he has four runs batted in (RBI). Along with his RBIs, he has four walks and four strikeouts. He is batting .500 against lefties this season, but just a dismal .091 against righties. The sample size is too small to tell how Reinheimer will do in his time, but over the next few weeks it should be evident if he is ready to step up to the next level of his game.

The Houston Astros selected one of Reinheimer's infield teammates, Chase McDonald, in the 12th round. The first



Chase McDonald (42) has yet to sign his minor league contract with the Astros.

base slugger has yet to sign and participate in the minors, but as of now he is playing Collegiate Summer ball for the Morehead City Marlins. The junior is coming off one his best seasons and Anthony Boyer, blogger for the Houston Astros, is curious to the reason why he hasn't signed yet.

"It's conceivable that McDonald might go back to college to try and improve his stock, but this is a guy who hit .299/.398/.519 with 11 home runs and went in the 12th

round," said Boyer. "It's hard to see how he could perform much better, and he would simply be a year older with the same skill set."

In 20 games this summer, McDonald is hitting .250 with four homeruns and 10 RBIs. He also has nine walks to his credit, something that the Astros liked about the slugger. He can hit with power and gets on base via the walk at a decent rate.

Other than Reinheimer and McDonald, eight other notable

past and present Diamond Bucs are playing this summer as well.

Outfielder Garrett Brooks, of the Peninsula Pilots in the Coastal Plain League, is hitting .240 with four RBIs and seven walks in his 18 games.

Dylan Dickens and Nick Durazo are both on the Asheboro Copperheads in the Coastal Plain League. Dickens has three saves in as many tries, while Durazo has 12 strikeouts in his 15 innings, while posting a 2.40 ERA.

Third baseman Zach Houchins is batting .208 with 5 RBIs so far in his short time with the Wilmington Sharks (Coastal Plain League).

Starting pitcher David Lucroy has a perfect 2-0 record with the Lakeshore Chinooks in the Northwoods League. He holds a 3.24 ERA in his 3 appearances and has 15 strikeouts in his 16.2 innings pitched.

In the minor leagues, John Wooten, Zach Wright and Kevin Brandt represented the 2012 team.

Wooten is with the Beloit Snappers, the Class A Midwest league affiliate of the Oakland Athletics. The centerfielder is batting .277 with 11 homeruns, 39 RBIs and nine doubles in his 71 games this season. On Saturday, Wooten belted a three-run homer.

Wright is with the Inland Empire 66ers, the Class A Advanced affiliate with the Los Angeles, and he is batting .236 with two homeruns and 15 RBIs.

Brandt is in the Tampa Bay Rays organization with their Class A affiliate, Hudson Valley Renegades. Brandt is 2-1 this summer and 1-1 with Hudson, his current team. He holds a 3.32 ERA overall.

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OPINION

Revenue: booze it or lose it

Dan Hunt
SPORTS WRITER

In the ever-expanding lucrative business of college football, the rich football programs are getting richer with each year, while the have-nots are showing an increasing interest in opening up the market for new options.

It might be time for the lower income, even middle income FBS schools to explore the option of selling alcohol at football games to boost their revenue.

Several television contracts were recently renewed by the "power" conferences that gives each university record prospective dollar amounts and it widens the gap between them and members of less prestigious conferences, such as the MAC, Sun Belt and Conference-USA.

The American Athletic Conference (AAC) and ESPN reached a TV deal this spring, worth what should be considered a healthy \$126 million, giving each member (including ECU in 2014) roughly \$1.8 million in total revenue. However, these numbers pale in comparison to deals like the one the Big Ten recently signed, which is worth \$248.2 million in the first year, providing each member with \$20.7 million in yearly revenue.

If income is the primary concern for teams in middle and lower tier conferences, then their leaders could seriously consider the sale of alcohol

at their home venues.

Several MAC schools have already turned the idea into reality; such as Bowling Green, Kent State and Akron, as they try to at least remain in the footsteps of their big brother, Ohio State. Bowling Green began the sale in 2008 and has not wavered on the decision yet.

Despite the incentives for lower

“Over 20 teams have jumped on board with alcohol sales...”

tier conference schools being greater, it has not stopped some BCS programs from selling alcohol as well.

In 2011, West Virginia opened up a bar at their games and earned \$520,000 in net profit that year. They are not alone; schools such as Pittsburgh, Miami (FL), Minnesota, as well as ECU's future conference opponents, Cincinnati, South Florida, Tulane, Houston and Memphis, have all been selling alcohol at games.

Believe it or not, money isn't the only reason for increasing interest in the idea. In the age of technology and mass media, HD televisions are closer to the "real thing" than ever,

and more games are available on television than ever before. Some universities, such as Michigan State, Georgia and even Alabama have noticed a disturbing trend of fans leaving games early to renew their "buzz" and watch from the comfort of their own home. The sale of alcohol could be a preventative course of action for this problem.

Over 20 teams have jumped on board with alcohol sales, a number which has more than doubled in the past decade.

There is no NCAA rule banning the sale of alcohol at home football games, only NCAA postseason games. However, institutions that have established a "dry" campus may not sell alcohol at their games if the stadium is on campus. If the stadium is off campus, those schools have the right to sell.

Critics of the new trend claim that the sale of alcohol at games is hypocritical because universities work hard to preach academic excellence and a party-

free atmosphere. They claim that the sale of alcohol openly endorses partying, which tarnishes the already blemished party image of American universities.

Furthermore, there remains the fact that checking the ID's of thousands of young adults is no easy task, especially considering that some people of age would undoubtedly provide for minors.

Iowa State Athletic Director Jamie Pollard summed up what is probably a popular mentality between other AD's these days. "I'm torn on the idea," he said. "While I was once against it, I also realize that it's clearly a significant revenue stream in a day when we have to create revenue."

ECU might not be the perfect example of a university who needs to explore this option because of their consistent attendance of over 40,000 fans per game, an elite number for a program that is not a member of any of the power five conferences.

Geography also plays a factor. Schools in the north are more likely to sell alcohol because of the false sense of warmth that it provides to an individual, and maybe the last thing ECU needs at a 100-degree game, like against Appalachian State in 2012, is alcohol.

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CALENDAR

"I'm getting closer to having full status on the PGA tour. That's the goal. The goals don't change because of how you play — they stay the same and you have to find a way," - Former ECU golfer Harold Varner after his appearance in the U.S. Open Sectional

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Round two for the 'tremendous trio'

Josh Graham
SENIOR WRITER

Just two years ago, Shane Carden, Justin Hardy and Vintavious Cooper were not household names at ECU and certainly not expected to be focal points for the offense.

Carden was a scout-team quarterback behind Dominique Davis, Rio Johnson and Brad Wornick in the depth chart. Hardy, a walk-on inside receiver from West Craven High School, was overshadowed by standout Lance Lewis. Meanwhile, Cooper played quarterback at Southwest Mississippi Community College, before transferring to the university as a tailback.

Though their roads to ECU were different, each had remarkable seasons in 2012 and will be relied on heavily this fall.

Head coach Ruffin McNeill named Carden the Pirate's starting quarterback on Sept. 10. From that point on, he noticeably made strides game-by-game and had the numbers to back it up—23 touchdown passes (eight rushing) and 3,116 yards.

Entering his fourth year with the Pirates, Offensive Coordinator Lincoln Riley specifically brought in Carden from Houston, Texas, to run his Air Raid offense.

"I certainly expect a lot of him," said Riley. "I really think he wants to take the next step, as far as the leadership, as far as the playing, but it's how he impacts the team...and everybody within the program that can continue to grow as he gets more comfortable."

Riley—who coached both Green Bay Packers quarterback Graham Harrell and San Francisco 49ers wide receiver Michael Crabtree while at Texas Tech—said it would be easy for Carden to follow up his impressive sophomore campaign by trying too hard.

"[Carden's] got to resist that temptation. We need Shane to be a great leader. We need Shane to improve and do his job better, but we don't need Shane to be superman."

Carden's No. 1 target will undoubtedly be fellow junior inside receiver, Hardy. Last season, Hardy was added on the Biletnikoff Watch List—which is annually



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Shane Carden (5) is primed for a great second season as ECU's quarterback.

awarded to college football's most outstanding receiver—after posting 88 receptions for 1,105 yards and 11 touchdowns.

Hardy is on pace to become the most decorated receiver in school history and inside receivers coach Donnie Kirkpatrick says 2013 will be the year he receives national recognition.

"I think now people are now beginning to know who he is," said Kirkpatrick. "I am very confident that he will be even better next season because he's not a guy who rests

on what he's already done."

Carden and Hardy's astronomical offensive numbers didn't turn many heads given how frequently the ball is thrown in the Air Raid offense. The same can't be said for what Cooper did.

After only playing sparingly in the early part of the season, Cooper set himself apart in the Pirate's crowded backfield and became the school's first 1,000 yard rusher (1,049) since 2009. Cooper's status with the team was in jeopardy earlier this year when he

was suspended from team activities for a drug-related citation. But according to Riley, he's back with the team for summer workouts and is expected to be the team's No. 1 back this fall.

"[Cooper] is 100 percent good to go with us. He's done everything he could do and we're looking ahead," said Riley.

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Last Year's Stats

Shane Carden

- 273 completions on 413 attempts (66.1%)

- 3,111 passing yards, 23 TD's, and 10 INT's

- 8 rushing TD's

Vintavious Cooper

- 200 carries, 1,049 yards, 7 TD's

- 26 receptions, 229 yards, 1 TD

- 1278 All-purpose yards *

Justin Hardy

- 88 receptions, 1,105 yards, 11 TD's

- 20 punt returns for 175 yards long of 43 yards

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