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## CAMPUS LIFE

### Belk hall residents moved to new dorms

Ryan Clancy  
TEC STAFF

Campus Living has relocated students affected by the demolition of Belk Residence Hall this semester.

Belk Hall will be demolished and replaced by Gateway East and West, two new dormitories that will hold more students.

Freshmen students who had to move out of Belk at the end of the fall semester were moved into now vacant dorms in West End, Central and College Hill.

"We had students placed across the three neighborhoods," said Aaron Lucier, the university's director of operations for Campus Living.

According to Lucier, the open dormitory rooms were due to students who were not returning this semester. This includes transfers, dropouts, students who are studying abroad and students who are taking a semester off.

While some students moved their belongings out before winter break, Campus Living allowed students use a storage service if they were unable to bring their belongings home with them.

Campus Living attempted to keep roommates together when they were moved into their new dorms.

"We tried to keep together roommates who wanted to stay together," said Lucier. "Unfortunately not all of them were, but some were, which we're pleased about."

The university managed to

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Early Wednesday morning a pipe burst in the first floor men's bathroom of Aycock residence hall flooded the basement and surrounding dormitories.

## Burst pipe floods dorm

Amanda Adkins  
TEC STAFF

At 1:30 a.m. on Wednesday morning, a 2-inch pipe connection broke in a men's bathroom on the first floor of Aycock Residence Hall on College Hill.

The on-call plumber shut down the water to begin repairs. Water from the pipe flooded most of the first floor of Aycock and places in the basement. Some residents stayed overnight with friends while others stayed in temporary spaces during clean up.

"I was coming up from the basement and the ceiling just looked like it was raining. When I got

upstairs, there was at least five inches of water on the first floor carpet," said Frank Letchworth, freshmen business major. "I live on the first floor and so far I've seen carpets in rooms with damages and wires such as Ethernet cables that got ruined."

According to Letchworth, a student spoke with Jonathon Blount, Aycock's resident coordinator, about the pipe leaking and Blount then reported the leakage.

Aaron Lucier, director of housing operations at Campus Living, said, "At this time, we do not know the cause of the pipe breaking. Our first concern was to shut off the water rather than see what it was

that had caused the pipe to burst. We did not issue an evacuation on the building because there was no immediate safety concerns. The students just left on their own."

Campus Living staff responded by 2 a.m. to clean up and remove the water. They worked until 5 a.m., and at that time, a private fire restoration company arrived to complete the clean up.

The first round of clean up was completed by 6:30 a.m. and workers will continue the clean up today.

Joshua Spence, freshman business major, said, "I had a few friends who had to sleep on couches in the lounges and I saw

students just wading in the hallway as the water made its way down the first floor. It was crazy. It was like we had our own swimming pool."

University personnel will be working with students who have any follow-up issues, including damages to their property in their room. Campus Living staff said that all student rooms affected by the water damage should be normal and dry later today.

Floors above the first floor were not affected by the water valve break. Students were able to move

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## City Council to revitalize downtown scene



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City council wants to see new, thriving businesses in the First Street Corridor.

William Franklin  
TEC STAFF

Greenville City Council will be focusing on student safety and the revitalization of downtown as part of this year's agenda.

Top of that list, according to council members Marion Blackburn and Calvin Mercer, is safety.

"I believe that anyone should be able to come downtown anytime of the day or night and walk back to the university in safety," said Blackburn.

Safety seems a top interest to students as well, according to Matthew Hoshko, a sophomore engineering major.

"[Downtown is] an area of high

risk and I wouldn't want to travel in anything less than a group," said Hoshko.

Junior construction management major Brian Segers said, "Safety is a huge thing. People seem to be getting messed with a lot. They should increase patrols."

Mercer said desired measures are neighborhood watch programs, aggressive investigation of crimes, and increased visibility of police officers. Some of these measures may already be in place.

Another major issue that city council wants to address this year is developing downtown into a more diverse and vibrant area.

"We want a 24-hour downtown," Mercer said. "We want all sorts of businesses in the day time. We want evening restaurants and music scenes and late night entertainment that is safe."

There also seems to be a push to develop the First Street Corridor, which is the area surrounding Town Commons and includes businesses across the street.

"We need to put our money where our mouth is and fund some improvements there," said Blackburn.

One of the things that Blackburn

> **CITY COUNCIL** page **A3**

## BRIEFS

### Annual Community Unity Breakfast to be held on Monday

The Greenville-Pitt County Chamber of Commerce and the City of Greenville are holding their 17th Annual Community Unity Breakfast on Monday from 7:30 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. in ECU's Murphy Center.

The event's theme is "MLK 2014: Leadership in times of challenge and controversy." Keynote Speaker is Dr. Virginia Hardy, Vice Chancellor for student affairs.

### Affordable Care Act's impact on N.C. legislation investigated

House Speaker Thom Tillis and Senate Leader Phil Berger have announced the formation of a Joint Legislative Study Committee to investigate the impacts of the Affordable Care Act on North Carolina's economy and citizens.

The committee will explore the real-world impacts that the law caused.

### GPD seized 4.5 pounds of crystal meth, valued at \$130,000

Greenville Police Department seized 4.5 pounds of crystal meth during a traffic stop Monday.

The crystal meth has estimated street value of \$130,000. Suspects were charged with numerous conspiracies and trafficking charges.

They are incarcerated in the Pitt County Detention Center under a \$1 million secured bond.

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Freshmen who were removed from Belk, due to its demolition, were relocated to dormitories across campus in Central, West End and College Hill neighborhoods.

keep the freshmen living in Belk last semester out of off-campus apartments.

"The only people that were offered off-campus housing were transfers and returning students," said Lucier.

Certain Greek students were also allowed opportunities to move out of Belk and into their Greek houses.


"We allowed a limited number of Greek students to transfer into their Greek houses," Lucier said. "We allowed a few, but they were people with high GPAs, not just anybody."

At first there were some concerns that there might not be enough open spaces for all the freshmen.

"It was in line of what we thought and thank God it was," Lucier said. "There were a few panic moments."

Lucier attributes the success of finding housing for Belk's residents to preparation.

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**Meet Olivia Richardson**

2013 was a big year for Olivia. She was treasurer and co-president of the East Carolina Native American Organization and helped organize ECU's annual Native American Pow-Wow. She also received a **\$2,500 scholarship** from the East Carolina Alumni Association.


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OFF-CAMPUS FLOODING



The Tar River's water rose and flooded the parking lot and dock area of First Street Park in downtown Greenville on Jan. 15.

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would like to see is a multi-functional performing arts center and visiting artist program.

"I want us to fund a visiting artist program. The city, to me, can come up with 10 thousand dollars as a stipend for visiting artists."

This all transitions into the economic development that City Council would like to see for the area.

"We've got to make sure it's a place that people want to come and do business in," said Blackburn.

The economic development could also benefit the university. Hoshko said it could create a more competitive university by providing jobs after graduation.

"I think that if we want to be competitive, we have to be able to offer jobs to our graduates after graduation," said Hoshko.

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back in around late morning. Representatives from Campus Living held a meeting in the basement of Aycock yesterday evening for students who had any questions about the situation and to discuss bringing the building back to where they want it to be.

"We really want to just meet with students and see the extent of the damages

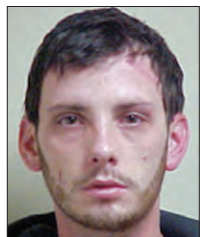
that may have occurred and then we will see how we can help to fix it," said Lucier.

Students are also being encouraged to wash any clothes that may have come in contact with the leaking tap water.

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Student charged in NCC break-ins

Amanda Adkins  
TEC STAFF



Curtis Andrew Prax

Detectives from the Property Crimes Unit of the Criminal Investigations Bureau recently investigated 19 break-ins and larcenies that occurred at North Campus Crossing Apartment complex.

The investigation led to an interview with a prior maintenance employee, Curtis Andrew Prax, who was working at the complex in return for rent while he attended college.

The break-ins all occurred last year, from October through December and

victims reported money, electronics and jewelry missing. Most of the residents at North Campus Crossing are college students, which is why the bulk of the break-ins took place during holiday break.

"There was no forced entry in any of the break-ins which led detectives to

investigate current employees and anyone who may have had access to keys in the past," said Kristen Hunter, Greenville Police Department public information officer.

Prax was taken into custody on Jan. 3 and was issued a \$100,000 secured bond. He was charged with 19 counts of felony breaking and entering and larceny after breaking and entering.

The case has not gone to court yet because of the lack of physical evidence and no more reports of break-ins have been made.

"So far we haven't received

any reports of more break-ins, but we know that there is the possibility that we will receive more as the students start returning from winter break," said Hunter. "Anyone who returns and finds items missing is encouraged to give us a call."

Detective C.S. Dawson of the Greenville Police Department is accepting calls at 252-329-4179 from anyone who can provide additional information about the suspect.

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CORRECTION:

In the Jan. 13 issue of *The East Carolinian*, the "Recital to be held at Fletcher" article's featured performers were Andrew Pfalz and Akeem Lipford.



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GREEK LIFE

# Cook-off welcomes back students

Emily Schultz  
TEC STAFF

The Interfraternity Council at ECU is welcoming back students on Friday with a chili cook-off in the Mendenhall Student Center brickyard from 2 p.m. until 5 p.m.

The chili cook-off provides an opportunity for all fraternities to win money for their respective charities, as well as bragging rights to the "Chili Crown." The top three winners will receive a donation to the charity of their choice.

Current IFC President and Chairman Donald Rose II said, "The main goal of it is to improve the Greek

life image amongst ECU administrators, as well as with Greenville officials."

Each fraternity will make 25 pounds of their best chili, using their own recipes. The chili will be judged based on taste, consistency, originality, aroma and aftertaste. Judges will consist of university student athletes and administrators and Greenville officials.

Judges are women's basketball coach Coach Macy, starting quarterback Shane Carden, starting receiver Justin Hardy, ECU Assistant Chief of Police Jason Suggs, Greenville Deputy Chief

of Police Ted Sauls, and Vice Chancellor of Student Involvement and Leadership Bobby Woodard.

Rob Hinton, senior public relations and English major, said, "I think this event really does a great job of bringing together not only Greek students, but non-Greek students and potential new members for the rushes."

Tickets are available for all students and faculty for \$3 beforehand and \$5 at the door. T-shirts will also be available to buy.

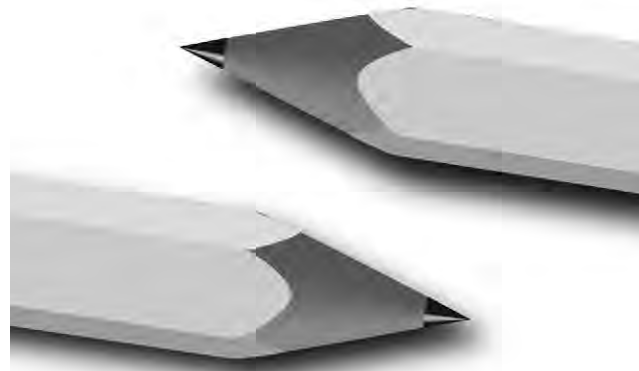
"You get a lot out of your three bucks... There will be corn hole, redneck

horseshoes, Frisbee and football," said Rose.

Rose created the cook-off to show a different side of the fraternities because movies portray members of Greek life a certain way.

"There is this bad representation of Greek life in movies, where we do nothing but drink and party and womanize, so I was trying to show the better side, the other aspects of Greek life, that we do give back to the community, raise money and do philanthropic events," said Rose.

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CAMPUS AWARENESS

# Groups bring trafficking to attention

Emily Schultz  
TEC STAFF

January is National Human Trafficking Awareness Month and both Eastern North Carolina Stop Human Trafficking Now and Restore One are raising awareness on this issue.

Both organizations are groups that advocate for the prevention and public awareness of human trafficking. This month, both organizations are promoting awareness of trafficking through social media and education on trafficking.

Pam Strickland, founder and CEO of ENC Stop Human Trafficking Now, said the first way that anyone can get involved in preventing human trafficking is being educated on it.

"The way that we believe we need to be working to prevent human trafficking is two-fold," said Strickland. "One is demand reduction, which is the idea that we need to make it less appealing to purchase sex, especially for minors, by increasing penalties and making it less acceptable."

Strickland said another proactive prevention method is education about the subject.

"The other thing is that we need to educate young adults, particularly young girls in middle school and high school about the way that pimps manipulate and recruit girls, and to talk with them about their own self worth," Strickland said.

One upcoming event Strickland encourages students and faculty to attend is a training conference called "Light Dispels Darkness-Shedding Light on Child Trafficking in N.C." in Raleigh on Jan. 23 and 24. Strickland said training is geared toward students in programs where they will deal with children.

Strickland said, "We're also going to have a speaker there talking about how gangs are getting more involved in sex trafficking which is an issue for our area because we know

we have gangs in the middle schools and high schools of Pitt county, and almost every county in North Carolina."

In addition to talking about gangs and minors, the conference will be about the N.C. Safe Harbor law that went into effect on Oct. 1. The Safe Harbor law ensures that minors who are forced into sex trafficking do not get arrested as prostitutes.

Justine Williams, director of prevention for Restore One, said that Restore One is a local anti-trafficking ministry that has been around for about two years. Currently, Restore One's chief project is the opening of the Anchor House, which will be the first safe home for boys who are victims of sex trafficking within the U.S.

Williams said Restore One is spreading awareness for Human Trafficking Awareness Month by social media.

Restore One posts tweets on Twitter, provides Facebook statuses and shares photos on Instagram for people to spread awareness on their own accounts.

"Social media is just so huge right now and we're just challenging everyone to go and tweet the daily tweet, on the Facebook event share the statuses, post on Instagram if you have a picture for that day," said Williams.

Williams got involved in Restore One after meeting Chris and Anna Smith, the founders of Restore One, and after a mission trip to Thailand, during which she saw firsthand accounts of human trafficking while working in the Red Light district with prostitutes.

"My life was changed when I was in Thailand and I knew when I got back I couldn't ignore it and I couldn't not be involved," Williams said.

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January 15 • 8:30-10:00am • Wright Plaza,  
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### **January Art Exhibition Lecture - "The Storybook"**

January 17 • 5:30pm • MSC Room 244

### **Interfraternity Council Chili Cook-Off**

January 17 • 2:00-5:00pm • MSC Brickyard

### **Gathering72**

January 19 • 6:00pm • MSC Room 244

### **MLK Day of Service**

January 20

### **Talking Across Differences: Hill Harper Lecture**

January 21 • 7:00pm • Wright Auditorium

### **LWCC Open House**

January 23 • 3:00-5:00pm • LWCC

### **Polar Bear Plunge**

January 23 • 7:00pm • SRC

## February

### **Big Game on the Big Screen**

February 2 • 6:00pm • Hendrix Theatre

### **Hypnotist Michael C. Anthony**

February 4 • 8:00pm • Hendrix Theatre

### **Live Group Sex Therapy**

February 5 • 7:00pm • Hendrix Theatre

### **Get a Clue**

January 23 • 6:30pm-8:00pm • SRC

### **Highlight the Night: DJ Dance Party**

January 24 • 10:00pm-2:00am • SRC

### **IFC Recruitment**

January 27-30

### **Hot Chocolate Giveaway**

January 27 • 8:30-10:00am • Wright Plaza,  
Brewster, Health Sciences

### **Sophomore Resource Fair - For Current and Rising Sophomores**

January 27 • 3:00-4:30pm • MSC 221, 244

### **Panhellenic Continuous Open Bidding Kickoff**

January 28 • 6:00-7:30pm • MSC Great Rooms

### **Live Band Karaoke**

January 28 • 5:00pm • West End Dining Hall

### **DiversiFY! Henna Tattoos**

January 30 • 6:00pm • MSC Social Room

### **National Society of Leadership and Success New Member Recruitment Social**

January 30 • 7:00pm • Rivers 102

### **POP Thursday Open House**

February 6 • 2:00-4:30pm • The Career Center

### **February Art Exhibition Lecture - "Drift Wood"**

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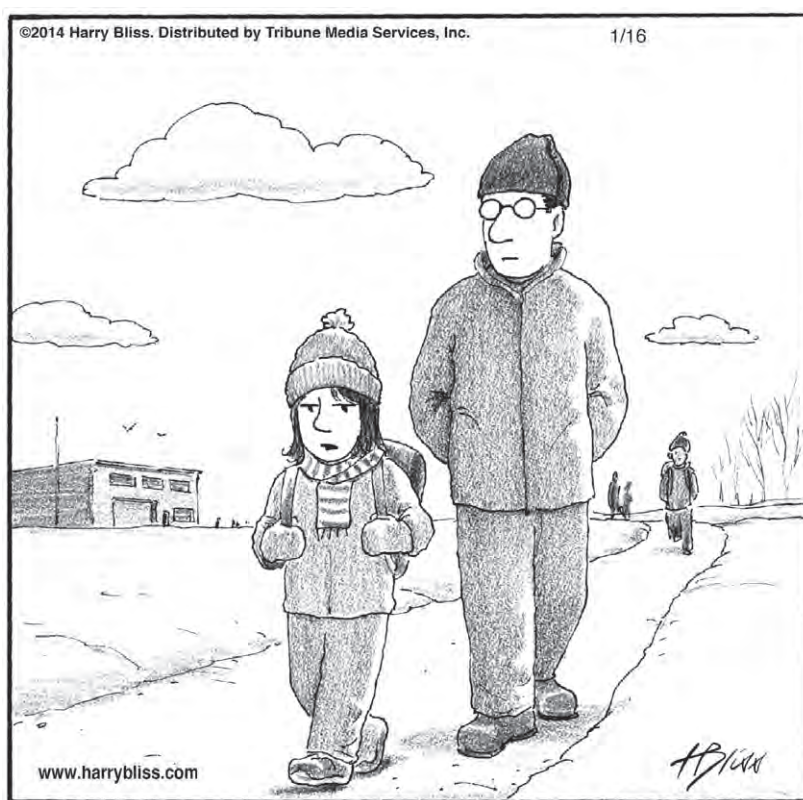
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- Simplicity
- Dundee damsel
- Ledger entry
- Cannonball, e.g.
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- Invitation "S"
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- Empty (of)
- "Reward Your Curiosity" soda
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By Robin Stears 1/16/14

### Solution to Monday's Puzzle

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**PIRATE RANTS**

Dear sweet baby Jesus, Pirate Rants are finally back! It's been too long!

If you're in college using online dating - stop. It's pretty sad that you're surrounded by hundreds of real people everyday but only talk to people online.

I may just start following cute running boys on the grid to get fit. I mean, it is motivational!

It really took that long to do so little in terms of construction on this campus! I really hope this at least teaches construction majors what not to do!

A sophomore slump is something they don't warn you about. But ECU is so amazing, I'm determined to bring myself out of it this semester!

TEC on a Monday... What in the world?

If your bus is overcrowded, here's a thought: TRY RIDING AN EARLIER BUS! By the way, we drive slower when there are 70 people riding!

If you've been here since 2006, you gave it the "old college try." Time to move on.

Not appreciating my professor attempting humor at 8 a.m. on a Monday.

The little girl's smile on the ECU home page makes me smile every time.

My professor began a story with, "When I first started watching the Young and the Restless..." and ended it with "...nicotine is not as strong as crack." So, clearly the tenure system is working.

I hate seeing rants about sucky roommates! Just get along.

The other day, I ate lunch with the dumb kids from my class as a social experiment and my hypothesis was correct! They really did just talk about booze, boobs and sports.

My girlfriend only drinks cheap beer. Every time I go down on her, I get a hangover.

To the library worker who had to turn me away from Joyner the other night because my card wouldn't work: You're gorgeous.

Don't give me the stink-eye because I took most of the washers. I ain't trying to spend all night washing clothes. I got stuff to do.

I don't need anger management. I need people to stop pissing me off.

To everyone everywhere on campus: If you are going to watch some annoying crap on your laptop, use headphones. No one wants to hear cats meowing for five minutes.

How do you people even find TIME to have/want a relationship?

I just want two things: To eat delicious food and have a hot body. I'll keep dreaming.

Is there any good guys left at ECU...NOPE.

I really want to know what percent of chicks don't wear underwear with yoga pants... awesome.

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## Our view

# Lady Pirates strong at halfway point

One of ECU's basketball teams is off to a historic start and yet, it has almost gone unnoticed. Women's basketball Head Coach Heather Macy and her team are off to a 13-2 start. After going 12-1 in the non-conference portion of their schedule, the Lady Pirates started Conference USA play a little rough with a narrow victory over Florida Atlantic and a tough one-point loss in overtime against Florida International.

Yet, the Lady Pirates don't have the draw in student

attendance that they definitely deserve. When the demographic for games are elderly Pirate fans and young whippersnappers, something may need to change.

We as an editorial staff believe getting students to show up and cheer on their home team will give the Lady Pirates the luxury of home court advantage. When fans fill basketball arenas for their favorite college basketball teams, an atmosphere is formed that makes knocking off the home team extra challenging.

# Temperature tantrum

### Take on the Nation



**Houston Davis**  
TEC COLUMNIST

The weather has been a little, well, random this later half of the year. It felt like summer time up through the

first half of October. Even when we started to have autumn weather, it was almost Christmas time. We haven't really seen cold until last Tuesday.

We went from 15 degrees on Tuesday to somewhere in the 70's on Saturday. I guess you could say the weather has been a bit unpredictable.

The frigid spell that hit us like a wall has been dubbed a polar vortex and it has caused a few

people to become unsettled. I have heard people on both sides of the climate change issue trying to use the polar vortex to prove their points. It has even spurred some political action out of a couple of our representatives.

Senators Barbara Boxer, D-Calif., and Sheldon Whitehouse, D-R.I., used the sudden drop in temperature to try and get a rise out of Congress. According to the Washington Post, the pair stated last Tuesday that they wanted to make climate change a major issue in congress this year.

In addition, Boxer and Whitehouse said they are forming a "Climate Action Task Force" comprised of an array of other Democratic senators. The senators all have their own ideas on what to do, but one goal that is being pushed unanimously is to put a price on carbon emissions to try and slow down the titanic flow of carbon emission that comes from our everyday lives.

Our excessive amount of carbon that is released into the atmosphere is what the senators are trying to blame this polar vortex on. I do not think that is the case, but carbon emissions are directly correlated to the rise in average temperatures and our lack of a winter.

According to nasa.gov, the Earth's average temperature has increased by 1.4 degrees Fahrenheit since 1880. That may not really

### A deep freeze

Polar vortices occur seasonally at the North Pole with frigid polar winds circling the Arctic at more than 100 mph (160 kph).

#### Polar vortex moving down

- 1 Spinning counterclockwise; winds trap cold Arctic air
- 2 Vortex weakens, splits apart
- 3 Arctic air moves south; system is not just cold air, but actual Arctic air
- 4 Vortex weakens, dissipates

NASA images of 2009 vortex



#### Why split?

• NOAA scientists have suggested that warming temperatures in the Arctic may be responsible for disrupting a vortex

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Last week (Jan. 6), temperatures dipped well into the negatives.

seem like much, but when you think that most of the rise in temperature has taken place since 1975 it seems a tad more drastic. If the temperature is higher and faster every year, we might have a bigger problem in another 100 years.

I'm not a tree hugger hippie guy by any means, but it is completely irresponsible for us to have all of this research and data showing us what we are doing to our planet and the effects that come along with our planetary abuse.

Why don't we focus more on clean energy? We spend tons of money

researching all kinds of trivial things, but we can't be troubled with taking care of our home. It's our planet. We only get one.

Climate change is very real and may not be an immediate threat to us, but it will be if we don't start treating the planet with a little more respect. For these reasons I am really excited that maybe we can get some better, greener regulatory laws put into place.

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# Time to get it together, seniors

### Because Laura Said So...



**Laura Said**  
TEC COLUMNIST

For most of you, you're in the midst of your time at ECU. You're excited about next football season and you're already planning on places to live for next year. But for some of us, myself included, this is our last semester in college. We'll be packing our bags and heading out into the world with a degree.

I've had my fun at this university. I've gotten too drunk at football games, but managed to avoid any drinking tickets. I've made friends and lost them. I've lived just about everywhere and experienced both great and horrible roommates. I've skipped classes and begged for a better grade.

However, this last semester, I'm doing something I've never done before: I'm studying and getting my life on track.

I always enjoyed going out most nights of the week, but I've found that change is suddenly necessary. We all think that drinking every night of the week is the only way to get through college, and most of us base our friendships on downtown or other drunken adventures. Time to be honest with ourselves; if we only see our friends when we're drunk, they're not really our friends.

Since it's my last semester, I'm doing things completely differently. I'm managing my time better, using my planner, taking notes, and writing lists. But most importantly, I'm learning to balance my life. I think most of us take college for granted and just give into the idea of partying all the time.

If you can master a social life, having a job, getting enough

sleep, and making good grades in your classes, you can master just about anything. That's what we should be doing our entire time throughout school, though most of us don't. If you're like me, you wait until the last minute.

It's going to be bittersweet leaving Greenville, but I honestly couldn't be more excited. I've never been someone to stay in one place for long, but Greenville has left its mark on my heart and the people I've met will be a part of my memories for the rest of my life, no matter the distance.

I am also anxious for the plans I've made for myself. I want to see the world and live in it. I want to experience things I don't understand and go places that I'll get lost in. I know we all say, "I want to see the world." But how many of us actually do? Sometimes, we'll just talk about the future to escape the present.

I'm not naïve, though. I realize

that part of graduation is finding a career. A lot of people will just move somewhere familiar and stay there for the rest of their life. Most of you won't have to worry about that yet, but for the seniors that are graduating, we have to figure it out in just the blink of an eye.

It's scary, but it's also wonderful knowing that we can be whoever we want to be.

So, in the words of Harvey MacKay, "Life is too short to wake up in the morning with regrets, so love the people who treat you right, forget about the ones who don't, and believe that everything happens for a reason. If you get a chance, take it. If it changes your life, let it. Nobody said life would be easy, they just promised it would be worth it."

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# Big road win for Lady Pirates

## Women's hoops battle through 21 lead changes to sink Tulane

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TEC STAFF

The ECU women's basketball team captured its first Confer-

ence USA road victory of the year Wednesday night in New Orleans.

Junior shooting guard Abria

Trice poured in 29 points, including a go-ahead three-point play with 1:08 remaining, to steer the Lady Pirates (14-2, 2-1 C-USA) past the Tulane Green Wave

(11-5, 2-1 C-USA) 69-65.

The six-foot, UNC-Wilmington transfer went 9-of-18 from the field, converted on all 10 of her free throw tries and accounted for 23 of ECU's 36 points in the second half.

"Abria is a great player and got some really high percentage jump shots and was able to get to the free throw line," said ECU coach Heather Macy. "We got stops we needed to, we got rebounds when we needed to (and) I'm certainly proud of this team."

ECU's first C-USA road game ended in heartbreak last Saturday in Miami – falling 76-75 in overtime against Florida International. Four nights later, the Lady Pirates did not fold down the stretch and closed out the Green Wave.

Trice hit a lay-up to put ECU in the lead 53-52 with 7:18 remaining in the game and her team would not let go of it this time around.

"It feels good (to win) because we learned a lot from Saturday's game," said Trice.

What she learned was to be aggressive and it paid off – earning a crucial trip to the free throw line. Leading 65-63, Trice drained a pair of foul shots with 20 seconds remaining to stretch Tulane's deficit to two possessions, subsequently putting the game away.

"I thought we executed when we needed to and got baskets when we needed them," said Macy. "It was a really neat game to be a part of."

ECU's leading scorer Jada Payne turned in a solid bounce-back outing after struggling in her first two C-USA contests. The 6-foot 2, La Salle transfer scored 16 points, on 6-of-12 shooting, to go along with five assists and a game-high 10 rebounds.

Tulane quickly jumped out in front 5-0 before ECU recovered, scoring seven consecutive points for its first lead, 7-5. The rest of the first half continued at a frenetic pace, laced with several lead changes and both teams entered the locker room with the

score knotted up at 33 going into halftime.

Payne set the tone by doing it all for the Lady Pirates early on. She amassed 13 points, four assists and three rebounds and C-USA's reigning sixth Player of the Year, Kristine Mial, came on strong for eight points in the latter stages of the opening half.

Meanwhile, Green Wave forward Tiffany Dale put up 12 points before committing her second personal foul at the 7:57 mark of the first half, which sidelined her until halftime. Dale closed tied for a team-high 18 points along with junior Jamie Kaplan.

Trice broke the tie by scoring the first six points of the second half to secure ECU's largest lead of the game at 39-33.

Tulane responded with an 11-3 run due in large part to freshman guard Leslie Vorspahl—who drilled a three-pointer to recapture the lead 44-42.

The Lady Pirates always had an answer, though. Mial buried a three-pointer on ECU's next possession as the game stayed tight down the stretch. Mial finished with 13 points.

Although she had just five points, junior Shae Nelson scored all of them in the game's final minute. Leading by a point, Nelson stepped up and hit a three-pointer with 31 ticks remaining to extend ECU's advantage 65-61. Later, she hit a lay-up in the final seconds to seal the road win.

ECU returns to Minges Coliseum Saturday at 5 p.m. when the Lady Pirates play host to Louisiana Tech (5-11, 0-3). The Bulldogs are 0-3 to start their inaugural season in C-USA, falling 82-68 at Rice Wednesday.

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Janesha Ebron (33) skies for a layup in the Lady Pirates Conference USA opener against the Florida Atlantic Owls.

### MEN'S TENNIS

# Serving up a dose of tennis

Shane Cuthrell  
TEC STAFF

After a long fall season and a lot of unpredictable weather, the ECU men's tennis team will travel to Chapel Hill tomorrow to face the UNC Tar Heels in their 2014 season opener.

Before students were welcomed back to the new semester, the Intercollegiate Tennis Association released its National Singles Rankings. ECU was among that list with two players cracking the top 125.

Senior Joran Vliegen, who was ranked 87th for the fall pre-season, elevated to no. 23 for the spring season. Vliegen added to his history making fall season by becoming the highest ranked ECU singles player ever.

Freshman Miles Holvoet, who posted a record of 7-0 during the fall season, was placed at 110th.

This is the first time in school history that two players are in the national rankings.

After competing in the NCAA Doubles Championships

and posting a near perfect 17-1 record, the duo of Vliegen and Sophomore Colin Roller rose to the 53rd best tandem in the ITA Doubles Rankings.

The North Carolina Tar Heels, who currently sit 43rd as a team, also have two players grace the singles top 125.

Freshman Ronnie Schneider cracked the top 20 nationally (17) and Sophomore Brett Clark is just outside, sitting at 36. Clark made it to the National Indoor Championships at the end of the fall season, but lost in the round of 16. He posted a record of 16-5 last fall.

One of Clark's losses came to Vliegen. The two faced each other in the final round of the ITA Carolina Regional. Vliegen defeated Clark in straight sets (7-5, 6-4). This win resulted in Vliegen becoming the first Pirate in program history to reach the USTA/ITA National Championships.

UNC also has two top 50 doubles teams in the National Doubles Rankings. Junior Esben Hess-Olesen and the aforementioned Clark come in at 29th. Junior Oystein Steiro

and Senior Nelson Vick (50) are just three spots above ECU's Vliegen and Roller.

On paper, the Tar Heels have the more talented team, but Vliegen showed the nation that rankings do not matter. He posted a 6-2 record against ranked opponents — all of whom were ranked higher than him.

ECU Head Coach Shawn Heinchon said that he expects UNC to show up prepared. He believes that they will become a top 15 team.

Heinchon says the key to having a successful spring is for his players to stay healthy, but he wants to really focus on doubles. The doubles teams weren't as solid as he expected them to be during the fall season, but he knows that his players are capable of having a successful spring.

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### TAKEAWAYS

#### WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

The Lady Pirates beat Tulane on the road, 69-65, to improve to 2-1 in Conference USA action.

#### MEN'S BASKETBALL

The Pirates travel to Boca Raton, FL, to take on Florida Atlantic in ECU's second game of conference action.

#### ECU BASEBALL

The baseball team will host its annual "Meet the Pirates" luncheon on Feb. 8.

#### CHARLOTTE BOBCATS

The Bobcats sit at 16-24 this season, ninth in the Eastern Conference.

#### CAROLINA PANTHERS

Head Coach Ron Rivera and the Carolina Panthers lost to the San Francisco 49ers in the second round of the NFL playoffs.

#### FOOTBALL

ECU football expects 22 recruits to visit Greenville this weekend. National Signing Day is Feb. 5.

#### PIRATES IN THE PROS

ECU baseball's all-time saves leader, Seth Simmons, was invited to the Arizona Diamondbacks' spring training, which begins on Feb. 7 in Phoenix, AZ.



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MEN'S SWIMMING

# Pirates eyeing conference championship

## ECU dives into spring schedule with high hopes for '14

**Wayne Hall**  
TEC STAFF

A month removed from a historic 2013 season, the ECU men and women's swim teams have their eyes focused on the championships in Atlanta.

The Pirates (4-1) in dual meet competition and the Lady Pirates (5-0) are coming off of arguably one of their best semesters in school history.

Last semester, the Pirates soundly dealt with nearly all competition, en route to their highest ranking in school history. The Lady Pirates (35th) also came back from a slow start to take a second place finish behind North Carolina in the annual Nike Cup Invitational, while the men (38th) fought for a fifth place finish to end 2013.

Going into 2014, both teams look to continue finding the magic that made their 2013 campaign so special.

"We had a great first semester," Assistant Coach Matthew Jabs said. "Our freshman and sophomore classes really stepped up for a semester and will continue to get better with more experience."

Bailie Monahan, Anastasia Amoiroglou, Michael Dugan, and Tori Angermeir are a few of the notable underclassmen that contributed greatly to the team last semester.

With a new year upon them, the Pirates have trained vigorously over winter break.



ECU takes on Old Dominion in its opening meet of the 2014 season with championship aspirations.

"We'd like to continue [the success we've had]" said Head Swimming and Diving Coach Rick Kobe. "Our focus right now is to train hard and to continue to swim fast in these dual meets, but our ultimate focus is to swim really fast in our championship."

With the Conference USA Championship

meet still more than a month away, the Pirates have instead focused their attention on preparing for tough matchups. Old Dominion, Catawba and William & Mary are the opponents coming up on the schedule.

"We're mainly focused on our championship meet at the end of the year," said Jabs. "We use our

dual meets as tune-ups and opportunities to race and get ourselves prepared for the end of the year."

With only six weeks and three meets remaining before the winner-take-all meet in Atlanta, the Pirates are both prepping themselves for a title run, while also monitoring their Saturday matchup against conference-foe Old Dominion.

"They are one of the better teams on our schedule," said Kobe. "It's always been a great meet at their pool."

The last time the Pirates squared off with Old Dominion was during the Dowd Nike Cup Invitational in Chapel Hill. The Lady Monarchs finished sixth behind Navy, while the Monarch men finished also placed sixth behind ECU to round out the final day of competition.

Starting the year off on the road in a hostile Monarch Natatorium will be a challenging feat for the team to accomplish. "It will be a tough environment for us, it's a tough place to swim but we'll be ready," Kobe said.

The Pirates will head to Chandler Natatorium Saturday, looking to shake off the rust after over a month without a dual meet and defeat the Monarchs.

"It's like everyone else," said Kobe. "You'll have to reintroduce yourself to racing the guy right next to you, so it should be a really good meet."

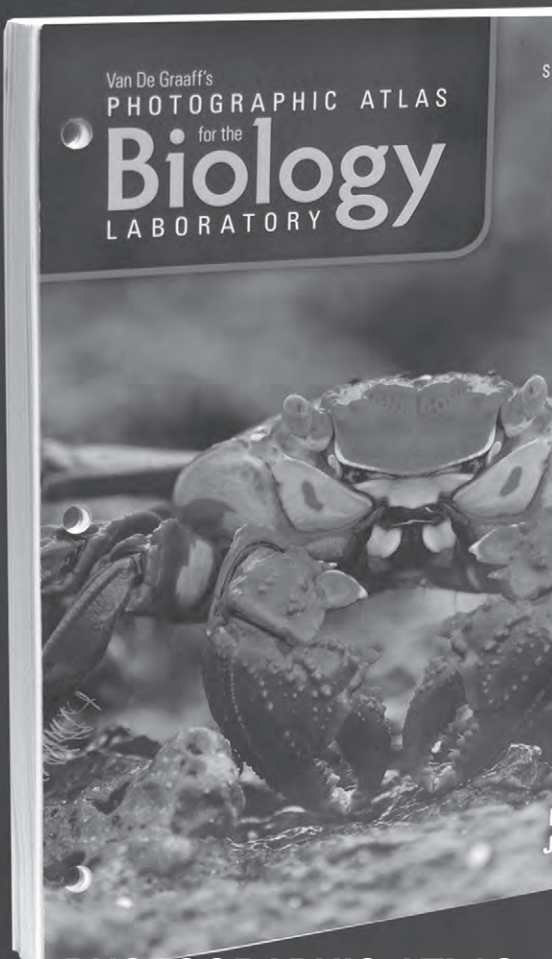
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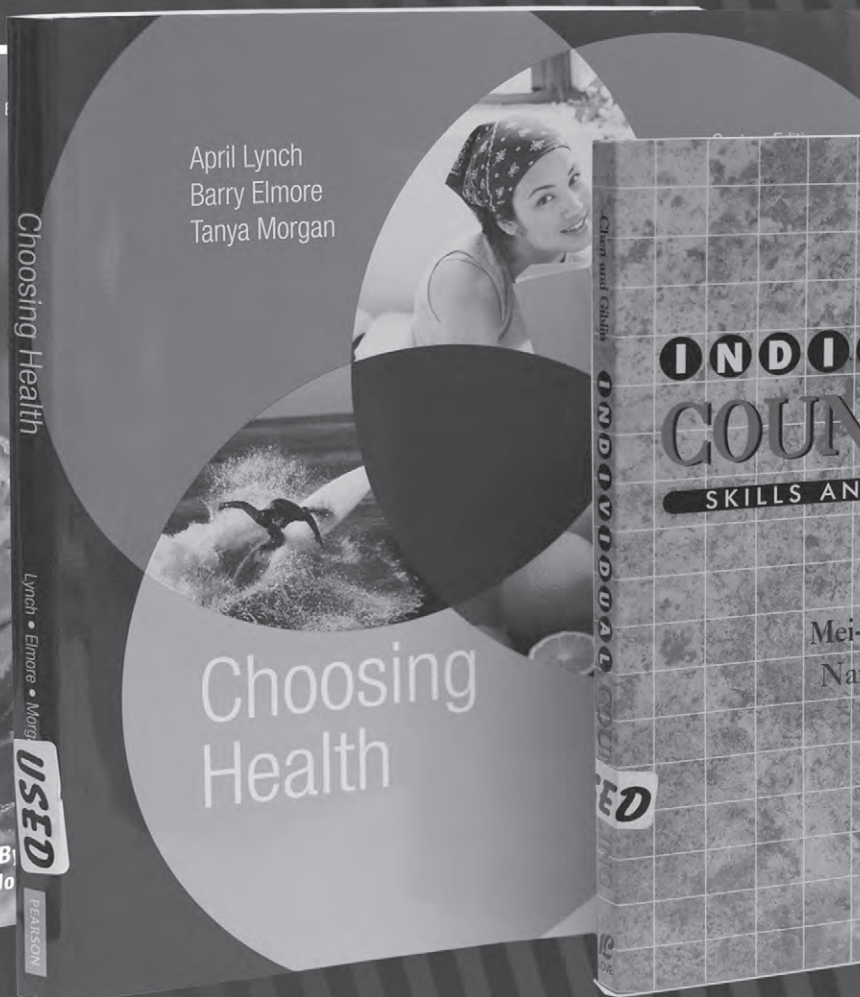
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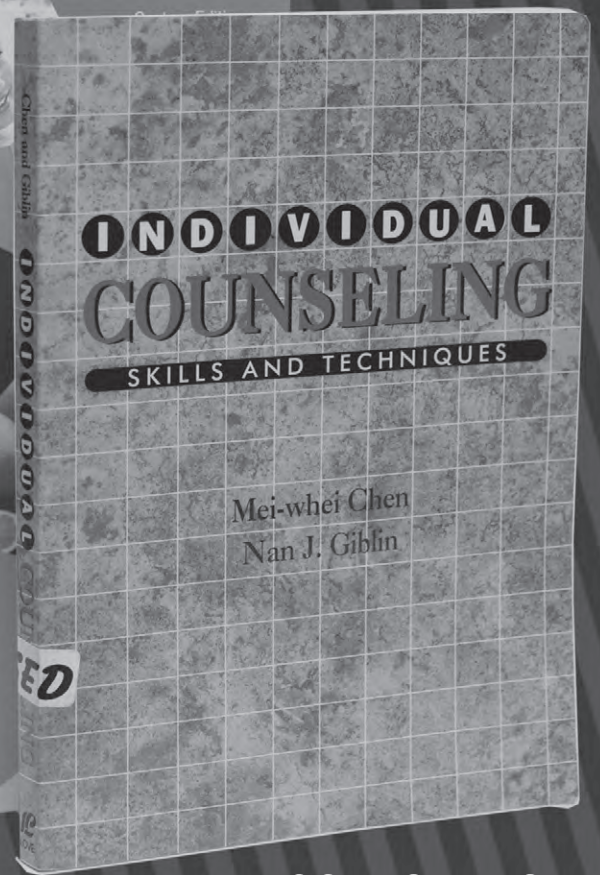
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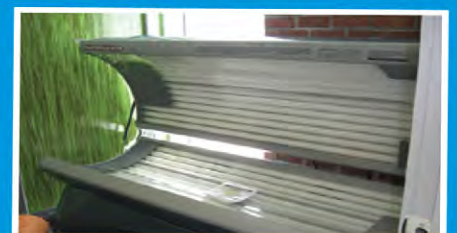
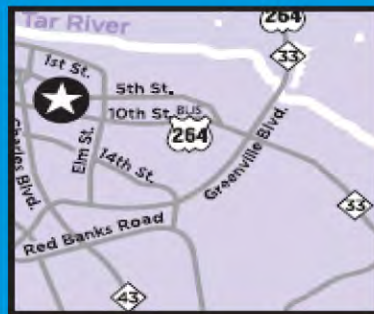
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# Pirates set sail to Sunshine State

## ECU basketball heads to Florida for two-game road trip

Jess Deal  
TEC STAFF

The ECU men's basketball team will travel to southern Florida in search of its first Conference USA win of the season.

After falling to Old Dominion in a home conference matchup Saturday night, the Pirates (11-5, 0-1 C-USA) will challenge the Florida Atlantic Owls (5-11, 1-1 C-USA) tonight at 7 p.m. in Boca Raton, FL.

On Saturday at 5 p.m., ECU is set to play the Florida International Golden Panthers (9-8, 1-1 C-USA) in another conference road contest. FIU is 5-2 playing at home in Miami.

Both of these games will be crucial to the Pirates, due to the competitiveness of Conference USA this season.

"I'm looking forward to playing games back-to-back," said senior guard Akeem Richmond.

Florida Atlantic has been subpar in 2013-14, but has had a few solid wins. It garnered a 73-68 conference win on the road against Rice (5-10, 0-2 C-USA) and won 75-64 at home versus UCF (9-5, 1-2 AAC).

Maryland (10-7, 2-2 ACC) narrowly defeated the Owls at home, 66-62, in what was a solid showing for FAU.

In mid-November, FAU was crushed at Duke (13-4, 2-2 ACC) in a 97-64 landslide. Four days later, the Pirates lost to the Blue Devils by only nine points and had a far more respectable appearance in Durham than the Owls.

A week ago, the conference-leading Louisiana Tech Bulldogs (14-3, 2-0 C-USA) handled the Owls easily in an 84-64 home win.

FAU is carried by its senior guard and scoring leader Pablo Bertone. Bertone has averaged 18.6 points per game (ppg) and 3.6 rebounds per game (rpg) in his best season yet as an Owl. Sophomore guard Jackson Trapp has been a threat on the court with 10.3 ppg and 3.5 rpg.

The Pirates will look to silence the two talented FAU centers. The 6-foot-9 junior Justin Raffington and 7-foot senior Dragan Sekelja combine for an average of 15.4 ppg and 14.8 rpg.

ECU's Brandan Stith and Michael Zangari have the task of preventing a performance like the one that NC State's 7-foot-1 senior Jordan Vandenberg had against the Pirates a few weeks ago in

Raleigh. In that game, Vandenberg was unstoppable in the paint and went nine-for-ten from the field with seven dunks. He posted a career-high 18 points on the Pirates.

Both Florida Atlantic and Florida International are ranked higher in offensive rebounds and blocks per game than the Pirates, while ECU has advantages in shooting percentage and points per game.

On Nov. 30, Florida International won 61-60 at home against a talented Georgia State Panthers team (10-6, 3-0 Sun Belt). A month later, Georgia State marched into Greenville and delivered ECU an 89-82 loss.

Like the FAU Owls, the Golden Panthers have won at Rice and have lost badly at Louisiana Tech. They beat Rice 71-60 on Jan. 9 and suffered a 34-point loss to Louisiana Tech two days later.

FIU sustained endured a brutal 85-56 home defeat at the hands of 18th-ranked Louisville (14-3, 3-1 AAC) on Dec. 21.

The Golden Panthers' senior forward Tymell Murphy has put up a balanced stat line this season of 16.2 ppg, 7.9 rpg and 2.1 (apg). He also shoots 60 percent from the field.

Another senior forward, Rakeem Buckles, is a Louisville transfer and has impressed at his new school with 13.4 ppg and a team-high 9.6 rpg. Junior guard Dennis Mavin has averaged 11.5 ppg and 4.2 rpg for the Golden Panthers.

"Hopefully, we can improve upon our performance from the last game [against ODU]," said ECU Head Coach Jeff Lebo. "We need to have accountability amongst ourselves as players. If that's a senior being held accountable by a freshman, then that's the way it has to be."

The outcome of these next two matchups could be an indicator of where the ECU Pirates stand talent-wise amongst the rest of the Conference USA teams.

The loss to Old Dominion was disheartening, but a pair of wins during this Florida road trip could re-energize a Pirate squad that has shown a lot of promise.



Prince Williams (4) eyes his options during a 81-70 home loss to Old Dominion on Saturday. DREW CARTER / THE EAST CAROLINIAN

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# Varied approaches to non-conference games

## Some in-state teams schedule tough games while others take easy route



**Ronnie Moore**  
TEC STAFF

The ECU football program has taken an approach to scheduling out of conference opponents that few schools do—they take on the big boys of the region.

The Pirates were once known as “giant killers” in college football as they beat the likes of West Virginia, North Carolina and Virginia Tech as underdogs within a span of two seasons.

Each season it seems that ECU football has contracts negotiated with three higher-level opponents, spaced by a “gimme” game against a team like Appalachian State, Old Dominion or next season’s NC Central.

People may say that ECU does this because of the lackluster conference that they have been relegated to, but with the Pirates moving to a more known American Athletic Conference, the schedule is just as competitive. With games against NC Central, North Carolina, South Carolina and Virginia

Tech, the Pirates have a long row to hoe next season.

Schools like UNC, NC State, Wake Forest and Duke don’t tend to schedule a strenuous grouping of teams for football season and there can be speculation as why that is. Maybe, it is to give some easy wins and make a bowl game more attainable. Exiting the non-conference with three or four wins can propel a team into the driver seat for a decent bowl venue.

For example, the Wolfpack didn’t test themselves in the non-conference except for their late season bout with the Pirates. They finished 3-1 out of conference with wins against Louisiana Tech, Richmond and Central Michigan, with the loss coming to the aforementioned Pirates.

Duke had a successful campaign with a 10-4 final record, tying ECU (10-3) for the most wins in the state. Yet the Blue Devils had the lousiest out of conference schedule besides Wake Forest. Duke coach David Cutcliffe and his Blue Devils played NC Central, Memphis, Troy and Navy (23 combined wins). While the Demon Deacons scheduled programs like Presbyterian, Louisiana-Monroe, Army and one admiral team in Vanderbilt (21 combined wins).

ECU did favors for the Tar Heels and Wolfpack by winning 10 games, which boosts the continuity of their out of conference opponents. On the flip side, NC State dropped the ball with just three wins and UNC had a subpar seven-win season that was spurred by six wins in their last seven games—heightening the strength of UNC on ECU’s schedule.

Switching gears to basketball, ECU takes a completely opposite approach to opponent selection. The Pirates continuously schedule Division II teams and even venture into the realm of Division III competition.

Meanwhile the ACC opponents down the road are featured in preseason tournament brackets, thus garnering national recognition.

ECU could have used the CIT Championship from last season to coerce bigger and better opponents to Greenville and even travel for great matchups. Yes, the Pirates played Duke and NC State, but those two close losses



**Guard Akeem Richmond (1) runs the fastbreak against Old Dominion last Saturday at home.**



**Bryce Williams (80) catches a touchdown pass from Shane Carden against North Carolina State.**

don’t necessarily make up for scheduling the lackluster programs like Mount Olive, NC Wesleyan and Fayetteville State.

Winning those games may balance out the losses on the final record, but they don’t mean anything to the program. The football team may have the right idea when it comes to opponent selection, but that remains to be seen.

Head Coach Jeff Lebo and his squad have risen to the occasion when facing Duke in a hostile Cameron Indoor Stadium and, even last year, when the Pirates invaded the Dean Smith Center to face the Tar Heels.

Undoubtedly, Lebo knows how to prepare his team for those big moments, so my only question is why play the likes of St. Andrews, Washington and Lee, Methodist and NC Wesleyan if they do nothing for building and sustaining a program?

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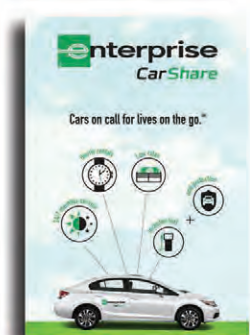
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## HOW TO BEAT THE WINTER BLUES

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# Winter heats up with new TV series



**Jessica Richmond**  
TEC STAFF

Though your extended napping and home cooked meals have come to an end thanks to the unfortunate return of classes, there is good news: new shows are coming to your television to help you deal with the depressing nature of syllabi and those all-too-soon first assignments.

Though new shows kicked off shortly after the new year, yesterday was one of the most anticipated premieres. Matthew McConaughey and Woody Harrelson star in True Detective on HBO and, if the star-studded line-up doesn't draw you in, then the 8-part drama's plot should do the trick. The series will follow two detectives (McConaughey and Harrelson) as they track down a serial killer in Louisiana over a 17-year period. With a bombardment of police shows in the past decade, a new take on police work is definitely welcomed.

In case you missed it, Enlisted, a show about three brothers stationed at the same Army base, started last Friday on FOX. The show stars Geoff Stults of 7th Heaven fame, Chris Lowell who you may have seen on Life As You Know It or Private Practice, and Randy Hill from Suburgatory. The number of chiseled jaws alone will be enough to carry the female audience through the first episodes for sure.

Coming up on Jan. 23 is an American adaptation of the Australian show Rake. The main advertising feature behind the show is the fact that Greg Kinnear is in it. He plays

a criminal defense lawyer with recklessness for life that calls to mind Robert Downey Jr. circa 1998. Other than that not much is known about the premise and FOX is keeping very tight-lipped about it, which makes it 50 percent likely to be absolutely awful and 50 percent likely that it's going to be your new favorite show.

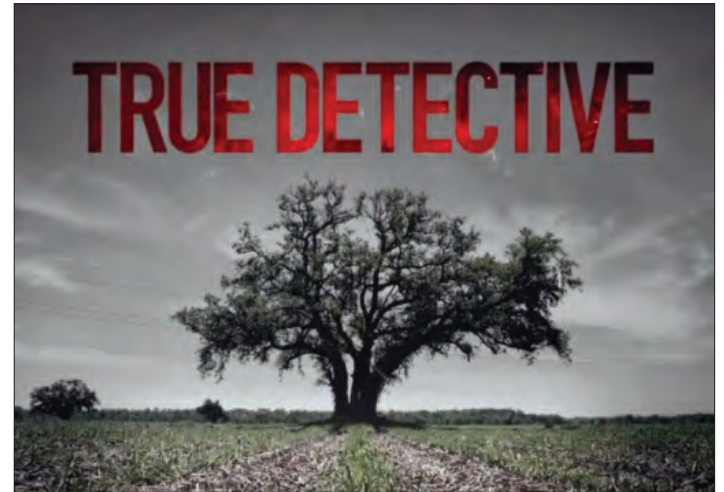
February brings to television the Winter Olympics, making programming all the more difficult for networks but some networks seem to be ignoring the phenomenon altogether.

The CW will premiere a new series called Star-Crossed about a human and an alien falling in love. Aimee Teegarden, the one downside of Friday Night Lights, and Matt Lanter of 90210, star. If that's not enough to make you watch bobsledding, I don't know what is.

The good news is that after suffering through what is sure to be a Twilight-inspired train wreck, Jimmy Fallon is taking over The Tonight Show on Feb. 24. Seth Meyers will be replacing him on Late Night the following week. Lorne Michaels is slowly infiltrating the entire late night line-up with his former Saturday Night Live minions and honestly, I don't hear anyone complaining.

Along with these new shows comes the return of your favorites and your not-so favorites. Game of Thrones announced they will be returning on April 6 which gives you just enough time to finish reading everything George R.R. Martin has ever contributed to the world, and then some. Oh and homework. You should do homework, too.

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# THE SPLIT

## TONIGHT

### Comedy Night

8 p.m.  
Topsy Teapot (see directory)

### 'Community'

8 p.m.  
NBC

### 'Parks and Recreation'

8:30 p.m.  
NBC

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## FRIDAY

### Four Season's Chamber Conert

8 p.m.  
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### *Big Something (Rock/Alternative Rock)*

9:30 p.m.  
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## SATURDAY

### Great Decisions Program

10 a.m.  
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### *Supatight (Funk/Reggae/Rock)*

10 p.m.  
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### Women's Basketball:

#### ECU vs. Louisiana Tech

5 p.m.  
Williams Arena at Minges

### Oops Comedy Improv

7 p.m.  
Topsy Teapot (see directory)

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## SUNDAY

### Grad Recital: Andrew Pflaz

5 p.m.  
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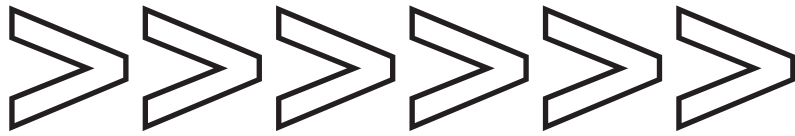
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10. *Turbo* — Fox

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## “American Horror Story”

The Ryan Murphy phenomenon “American Horror Story: Coven” returned on January 8th from their mid-season hiatus to 3.49 million viewers—one of the lowest numbers the show has experienced this season. The witch-themed season has featured New Orleans predominately as a backdrop to a rather dark season. On Nov. 6, the show was picked up for a fourth season with several actors confirmed as returning including Evan Peters, Frances Conroy, Patti LuPone, Kathy Bates, Sarah Paulson and Angela Bassett. Jessica Lange, who won an Emmy for her work in the first season of the show, has been confirmed as returning but in a more limited capacity than in previous seasons. The show airs on FX on Wednesdays at 10 p.m.

## “Community”

The long awaited return of the NBC show “Community” began on Jan. 2nd after a seven-month hiatus where the show’s future was in the balance. Dan Harmon, the original showrunner, returns for season five after relinquishing the role in season 3 to pursue other projects. The one-hour season premiere rewrites the show’s premise in a “re-piloting” that places the main character of Jeff Winger as a teacher and the rest of the returning cast as returning students. The show calls attention to the fact that it is a re-pilot several times in a way that “Community” fans will recognize as the show’s own brand of breaking the fourth wall. Though the show tries to recover what they have lost in the long break, it ultimately falls short of the charm that used to captivate the audience in previous seasons leaving a shadow of the former show. “Community” airs Thursdays at 8 p.m. on NBC.

## “Parks & Recreation”

The 100th episode of “Parks and Recreation” premiered on Jan. 9th to an audience of 3.43 million viewers, the highest of the sixth season. The show had begun a steady decrease in viewers as well as quality since mid-season five but the change of time slot has brought new life to the dying show. The return of Chris Pratt to a main cast member as well as the return of focus on the characters lives rather than the interworkings of politics has led to an increasing quality that had been missing from the past season and a half. Unfortunately, Rob Lowe and Rashida Jones will be leaving the show after the thirteenth episode entitled ‘Ann and Chris’ which is set to appear on Jan. 30th. “Parks and Recreation” airs on NBC on Thursdays at 8:30 p.m.

## “Pretty Little Liars”

The Halloween special, which plays as an episode in between seasons, presented a shocking realization. Ali was alive. With the recent premiere of season 4, viewers made several additional discoveries. With Ezra still as the lead suspect of A in the eyes of the viewer, he is covering his tracks and pulling Aria in to a tighter embrace. The girls are still unaware of his involvement in the ‘A team.’ With Ali now alive, the girls plan to uncover whose body is lying in Ali’s grave. Meanwhile, Hannah and Caleb’s relationship got rocky when he decided to return to Ravenswood to uncover the mystery behind the town after he discovered his face on a tombstone there during the Halloween special. Season 4 is filled with the many mysteries that have loomed in seasons past as well as new answers and questions. Tune into ABC Family at 8 p.m. on Tuesdays.

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## “New Girl”

“New Girl” returned on Jan. 7th with a bottle episode entitled ‘Clavado En Un Bar’. A bottle episode is an episode of a sitcom that takes place in a single location and usually includes a lot of flashbacks. They’re mostly used to fill time before a bigger more complicated storyline arises. Friends utilized this technique more than any other show but it tended to be some of their greater episodes. “New Girl”, however, fell short on their bottle episode in a bar that spanned the plot time of 19 minutes. The season, however, has been a great follow to their disappointing sophomore season promising more interesting plots and characters than before. Damon Wayans Jr. returns after his other show “Happy Endings” was cancelled. Though Coach was a welcomed surprise at first he ultimately is overstaying his welcome as he overshadows Winston, the character that replaced him after the pilot. Creators promise more interesting Winston storylines though as well as a possible reveal of Schmidt’s first name, “New Girl” airs on Tuesdays at 9 p.m. On Fox.

## Recent Movie Releases



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## “Frozen”

The new Disney movie that premiered on Nov. 27 has earned \$317,661,000 nationally and \$712,261,000 worldwide as of Jan. 12. Many film critics have named it the best Disney film since its Renaissance era that included “The Lion King” and “Beauty and the Beast”. The movie has been commended for its portrayal of female empowerment and family values. The movie employs the voice talents of Kristen Bell, Idina Menzel and Jonathan Groff in an adapted telling of Hans Christian Anderson’s story “The Snow Queen”. The story was first pitched in 1943 but was shelved repeatedly until 2012 when it finally advanced into development for the first time since the late 1990s. The overwhelming success of the film has been met with several awards and has risen as the second highest-grossing Disney film after “The Lion King”. The film will be released on Blu-ray and DVD on March 18th.

## “Lone Survivor”

Based off of the National Bestselling book, “Lone Survivor” tells the tale of Operation Redwing, a mission that led to the Navy SEALs largest loss of life in history. In the center of it all was SO1 Marcus Luttrell, who deployed with his four best friends to track down known Al Qaeda leader, Ahmad Shahd. Fast forward five days and Luttrell was the only one alive, sheltered and gravely injured in the Hindu Kush Mountains. “Lone Survivor” is Luttrell’s recollection of the gripping firefight and his eventual escape but, more than that, it is a testament to the men who fought and died by his side.



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## TONIGHT'S SHOWTIMES

**Devil's Due new!**  
R, 1 hr 29 min  
10:00p

**Jack Ryan:  
Shadow Recruit new!**  
PG-13, 1 hr 46 min  
9:00p

**Ride Along new!**  
PG-13, 1 hr 40 min  
8:00p 10:20p

**Lone Survivor new!**  
R, 2 hr 1 min  
1:10p 4:10p 7:15p 10:10p

**The Legend of  
Hercules 3D new!**  
PG-13, 1 hr 38 min  
2:30p 7:45p

**The Legend of Hercules new!**  
PG-13, 1 hr 38 min  
5:10p 10:20p

**Paranormal Activity:  
The Marked Ones**  
R, 1 hr 24 min  
1:25p 5:20p 7:40p 10:25p

**Grudge Match**  
PG-13, 1 hr 53 min  
1:50p 4:40p

**The Secret Life of  
Walter Mitty (2013)**  
PG, 1 hr 54 min  
2:00p 4:45p 7:30p 10:15p

The previous movie times are for Regal  
Grande Stadium 14 located at 750  
Greenville Blvd. S.W.



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## WZMB'S MUSIC CHOICES FOR THE WEEKEND

### “TELEVISION SHOW PLAYLIST”

For this week's playlist, we have put together a list of songs that inspired, or were inspired by, television shows.

1. **Grace Michelle** – “Maneater”
2. **Black Mamba** – “White Woods”
3. **Travis Porter ft. Tyga** – “Ayy Ladies”
4. **Birdy** – “Wings”
5. **Florence + The Machine** – “Addicted to Love”
6. **Wallpaper** – “Drunken Hearts”
7. **Chaeli XCX** – “You (Ha Ha Ha)”
8. **The Naked and Famous** – “The Sun”
9. **CeeLo Green** – “Piece of My Heart”
10. **Delta Rae** – “Dance in the Graveyards”

### HOT UPCOMING RELEASE



#### SWITCHFOOT “FADING WEST”

Our favorite nostalgic alternative rock band, Switchfoot will be releasing their ninth studio album January 14. The album will host new experimentation sounds of handmade guitars and saxophone. Co-producer of “Dare You to Move”, Charlie Peacock will be featured on this album. WZMB loves Switchfoot's singles, “Who We Are” and “Love Alone Is Worth The Fight” as we anticipate their release.

### THIS WEEK'S SINGLES TO CHECK OUT

#### 1. FATHOM LANE

“Perfect Day”

#### 2. YOUNG & SICK

“House of Spirits”

#### 3. JONES JNR.

“Real and I Love It”

#### 4. ADAM ZWIG

“Everybody Love”

#### 5. MY DARLING FURY

“The End of The World”

