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Being Boston Strong

Bombing survivor shares inspirational story

Seth Gullede and Lindsay Rayner TEC STAFF

Boston bombing survivor Jeff Bauman spent last night telling his version of the internationally known tragedy that took his legs and almost his life.

The event was held as a premiere passport event in Wright Auditorium, which prompted a large gathering of students. The speech was focused mainly on the adversity that Bauman faced on his road to recovery, providing an inspirational tale that urged those attending to be strong and fight through the day-to-day challenges that they face.

"A lot of people ask me how I found that inspiration. I don't have a choice; I'm either going to do this or I'm not going to do it. It's my only option—to keep moving," said Bauman. "That's what it's all about, having a great team and using them."

Bauman, whose injuries led to the amputation of both of his legs, was attending the Boston Marathon on April 15, 2013 for the first time in his life to support his then girlfriend, Erin, who was running the race. Bauman arrived at the finish line of the marathon a little before he expected her to cross it and began to immerse himself in



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Jeff Bauman spoke to students last night about his experience during the bombing and his recovery.

the entertainment of the runners and charged atmosphere of the crowd. It was then that Bauman first saw Tamerian Tsarnaev, one of the two infamous Boston bombers.

"This kid bumped into me. I looked at him and I was like, 'what are you doing?' He was trying to cut through the crowd," said Bauman. "He kind of looked at me and I was

staring at him."

Bauman said that after seeing the Tsarnaev brother,

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ECU set for photo finish in AAC race

Adam Decker TEC STAFF

As the American Athletic Conference standings are shaping up to be a photo finish, the East Carolina baseball team will look for its first NCAA tournament bid in the Cliff Godwin era and first since 2012.

Things won't be so easy, though. ECU is tied with three other teams atop the conference standings, with seven of the eight AAC teams in the race for postseason play according to the Rating Percentage Index (RPI).

RPI ranks the nation's best teams based on wins, losses and its strength of schedule.

It does not into account margin of victory or games played.

The AAC has proven to be one of the best conferences in baseball as all seven contending teams rank in the RPI's top 55, within 21 spots of each other.

Despite being tied for first in the conference, ECU is currently fourth in conference RPI, ranking 44th.

USF, Houston, UConn and Memphis all boast higher RPI rankings at 24th, 26th, 39th and 42nd respectively.

The next two weeks can potentially make or break the Pirates' regional hopes, as they are set to face Liberty, UConn and Houston.

The Pirates will face formerly-ranked Liberty tomorrow in an attempt to climb up the RPI rankings. "Every win is improving our

RPI," Godwin said. "That's why we schedule that game on Wednesday at Liberty is because their RPI is very good and we can go on the road and get more RPI points."

ECU will then play consecutive weekend series against higher RPI teams, playing UConn inside Clark-LeClair Stadium and Houston on the road.

"Last home series of the year against UConn," Godwin said. "UConn is one of the best teams in the conference, got really good pitching Friday and Saturday."

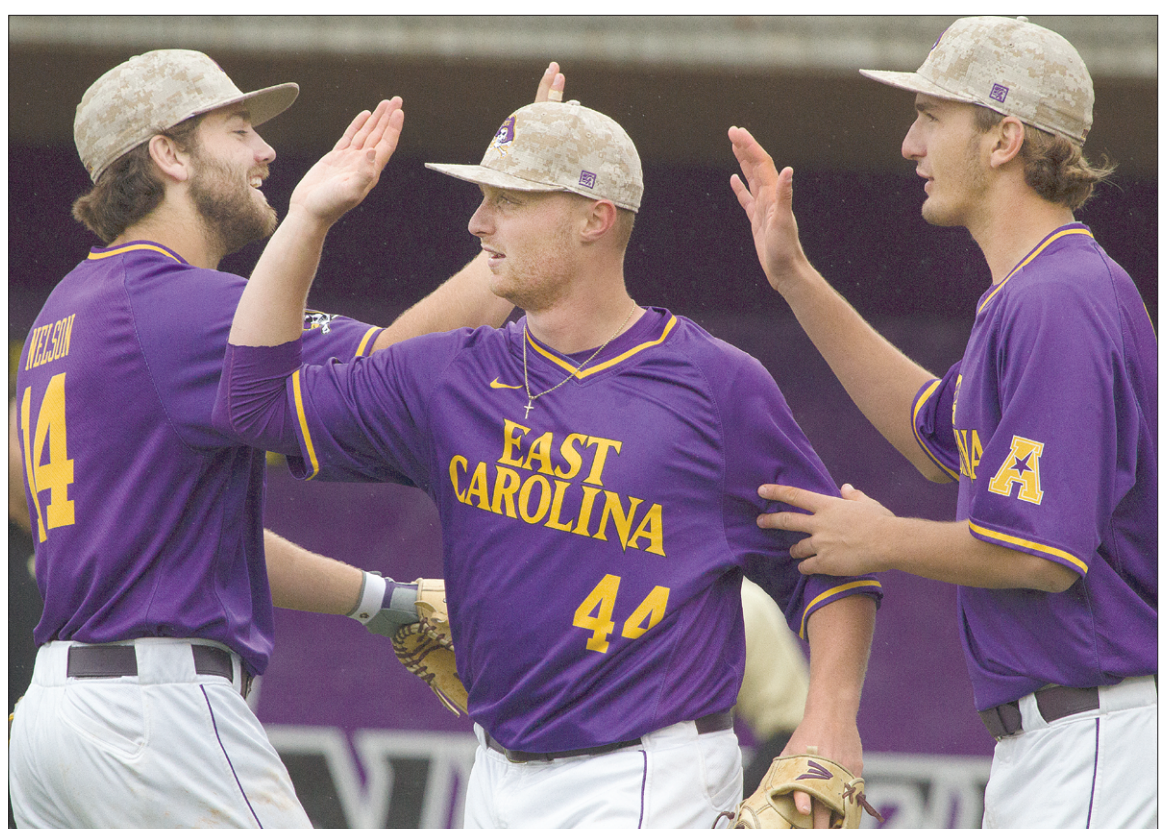
A couple of weeks into the season, Baseball America had Houston ranked third in the country. Houston has since fallen out of the top 25, struggling in the tight conference race.

The Pirates are coming off of a series sweep against No. 24 ranked Central Florida and are arguably playing their best baseball of the season, as they have won six straight and nine of their last ten.

Another possibility to make regionals is to win the American Conference tournament, as all conference tournament champions receive an automatic bid. The selection committee then fills the remaining spots, calling on RPI rankings.

If ECU can beat Liberty and win both weekend series, it would seem unlikely that they wouldn't get a tournament bid.

It's also unlikely that the Pirates will finish the season leading the



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ECU players Jeff Nelson (14), Evan Voliva (44) and Ross Gardner (right) celebrate ECU's Friday win over rival UCF.

conference in RPI ranking, as South Florida is ranked 20 points higher and took a series from the Pirates earlier this month.

Unless ECU can claim the AAC tournament championship, it seems their fate will rest in hands of the selection committee.

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TEAM	RPI	RECORDS (RANK)
USF	24	29-13, 9-6 (T-1)
Houston	26	29-15, 9-6 (T-1)
UConn	39	28-17, 7-8 (5)
Memphis	42	29-13, 9-6 (T-1)
ECU	44	29-16, 9-6 (T-1)
Tulane	45	27-16, 8-7 (4)
UCF	55	26-19, 5-10 (7)

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BRIEFS

Early shooting outside nightclub results in injury

There was a drive-by shooting outside of a nightclub on 5th Street in Greenville early Monday morning. Police from the Greenville Police Department said just before 3 a.m. there was a fight in the parking lot of Club Faiz in the 1300 block of W. 5th Street. The fight was broken up, but a short time later a vehicle drove by and fired shots into the parking lot. One person was hit in the leg and was transported to Vidant Medical Center. Greenville Police continue to investigate and are searching for a blue Chevy Lumina that may have been involved.

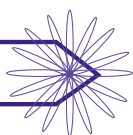
Vehicle runs into Greenville Hardee's

A car jumped a curb and ran into a Greenville Hardee's yesterday morning at the corner of Moye Boulevard and Memorial Drive. Reports stated that the restaurant will remain open but the wall is dented from the impact of the car. Crews on scene say no one was injured.

Researchers display Blackbeard's relics

The Queen Anne's Revenge (QAR) Conservation Laboratory at East Carolina University hosted its annual open house on Saturday, drawing about 300 visitors. The lab is a collaboration between East Carolina University and the N.C. Department of Cultural Resources and it works to preserve and recover artifacts gathered from a shipwreck site off the North Carolina coast that has been identified as the Queen Anne's Revenge, the pirate Blackbeard's flagship that was lost when it ran aground in June 1718 in what is now the Beaufort Inlet.

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Stimulant use rises

Jesse Deal
TEC STAFF

A college student has three homework assignments due the next day on top of multiple final exams to study for – not to mention a disorderly apartment that desperately needs attention – so what gives?

Many students are turning to Adderall, Vyvanse and other similar stimulants to help them get tasks done quickly, especially around the stressful period that is finals week.

The amphetamine medications, which are prescribed by physicians to treat issues such as attention deficit hyperactivity disorder (ADHD), narcolepsy and eating disorders, have been used and abused by thousands. According to a 2012 study published in the Journal of American College Health, two-thirds of students are offered stimulants by their senior year of college.

While the Drug Enforcement Agency has classified these stimulants as Schedule II drugs alongside cocaine and morphine, some users are ignoring the dangers that result from excessive and illegal usage.

"I understand that Adderall is available in the street and is a drug of abuse. It's a trend that's of concern," said Dr. Thomas Penders, clinical associate professor and medical director for The Brody School of Medicine's Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Medicine at East Carolina University.

Penders, a certified addiction psychiatrist with expertise in substance abuse, said that there may be somewhere



STUDENT MEDIA ARCHIVE

Stimulant use increases in students looking to stay alert to study around the time of final exams.

between seven and 10 percent of students on campus who occasionally use a stimulant for performance-enhancing purposes rather than recreational use.

"Generally, for somebody who has ADHD, it helps a lot more because they have a decrement in their ability to pay attention," he said. "If you're taking Adderall to stay up and focus on anything more than several hours, you're probably going to end

up doing worse than if you didn't take it."

According to Penders, stimulants like Adderall have benefits like increased focus and awareness, but also have drawbacks like insomnia and anxiety. A student might spend all night studying for an exam, only to suffer from fatigue and irritability on the day of the test.

"I think Adderall helps me get my homework done quicker but the quality of the

work isn't as good as normal," said an ECU student who chose to remain anonymous. "It's definitely a tradeoff"

Though students will undoubtedly continue to use amphetamines to gain an edge on finals week, Penders says they should be aware that psychiatric illnesses are possible consequences of long-term abuse.

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Living with a roommate

Sara Ataalla
TEC STAFF

For many freshmen, living in a dorm will be the first time they reside with someone that is not a member of their family. Roommates can be randomly selected or could be a friend from home; they may turn out to be a new best friend or someone you never talk to again.

Taylor Summers, freshman child development major, said she has always been told not to live with your best friend because you will end up hating each other by the end of the year.

"When one of my close friends and I found out we both accepted to East Carolina University, we decided that we wanted to room together. It was good in the beginning, and then we began drifting apart and things between us were not going to well," said Summers.

Halfway through the year, Summers' roommate moved out. Summers said the space helped save their friendship.

"We are still good friends, but the split was definitely needed. I am very excited to move into an apartment next year with some of the girls I have gotten really close to from my hall," said Summers.

Random selection can be a terrifying idea to many students. The outcome can be a great experience or a nightmare.

Freshmen roommates Carly Bryant, fashion merchandising major, and Maddy Minnick, psychology major, first met each other through a mutual friend when they lived right across the hall from each other.

"I got along well enough with my former roommate, but she wasn't able to come back for the spring semester. I asked Maddy if she wanted to room with me instead since she did not necessarily get along well with her roommate at the time," said Bryant.

Minnick moved in with Bryant second semester and the two have lived together without issues this semester.

"I was so relieved to switch roommates and move in with Carly. Now looking back I do not know how I could have made it through the rest



Roommates Edgar López and Cruz Castaño are packing to go home for the summer. CYDNEY SMITH | THE EAST CAROLINIAN

of the year had I not changed rooms," said Minnick.

Some freshmen are not so lucky for their first year living situations. Samuel Hall, freshman English education major, said that he had a total of five different roommates since the beginning of the year.

"I really got unlucky with my living situations honestly," said Hall. "My first roommate and me really did not see eye to eye, and he ended up moving out. My second roommate felt that ECU was not the college for him and left. However, my recent roommate was a great roommate, but he got deployed."

Hall said even though he did not have the best rooming situations living with random roommates really helped him learn new things and helped him gain experience with getting to know people.

"Next year I will be a resident assistant, and I am really looking forward to meeting all the incoming freshman. I feel that I can be a mentor to them, especially with opening themselves up to meeting new people," said Hall.

Even though living with a roommate for the first year may be nerve wrecking for students, resident assistants are also anxious to make sure roommates are happy and comfortable in their living arrangements.

Katelyn Waldrop, senior education major, said that as an RA, she has seen residents go through a lot during their freshman year as roommates.

Waldrop's advice for roommates is to think of your roommate situation as a growing experience whether you liked it or not.

"I have had residents in the past who become complete best friends sophomore year and end up moving in with each other when they get an apartment and I have seen others who haven't spoken to their roommate since freshman year," said Waldrop. "Whether you choose to be best friends or would rather stay apart, that person will always be your freshman year roommate."

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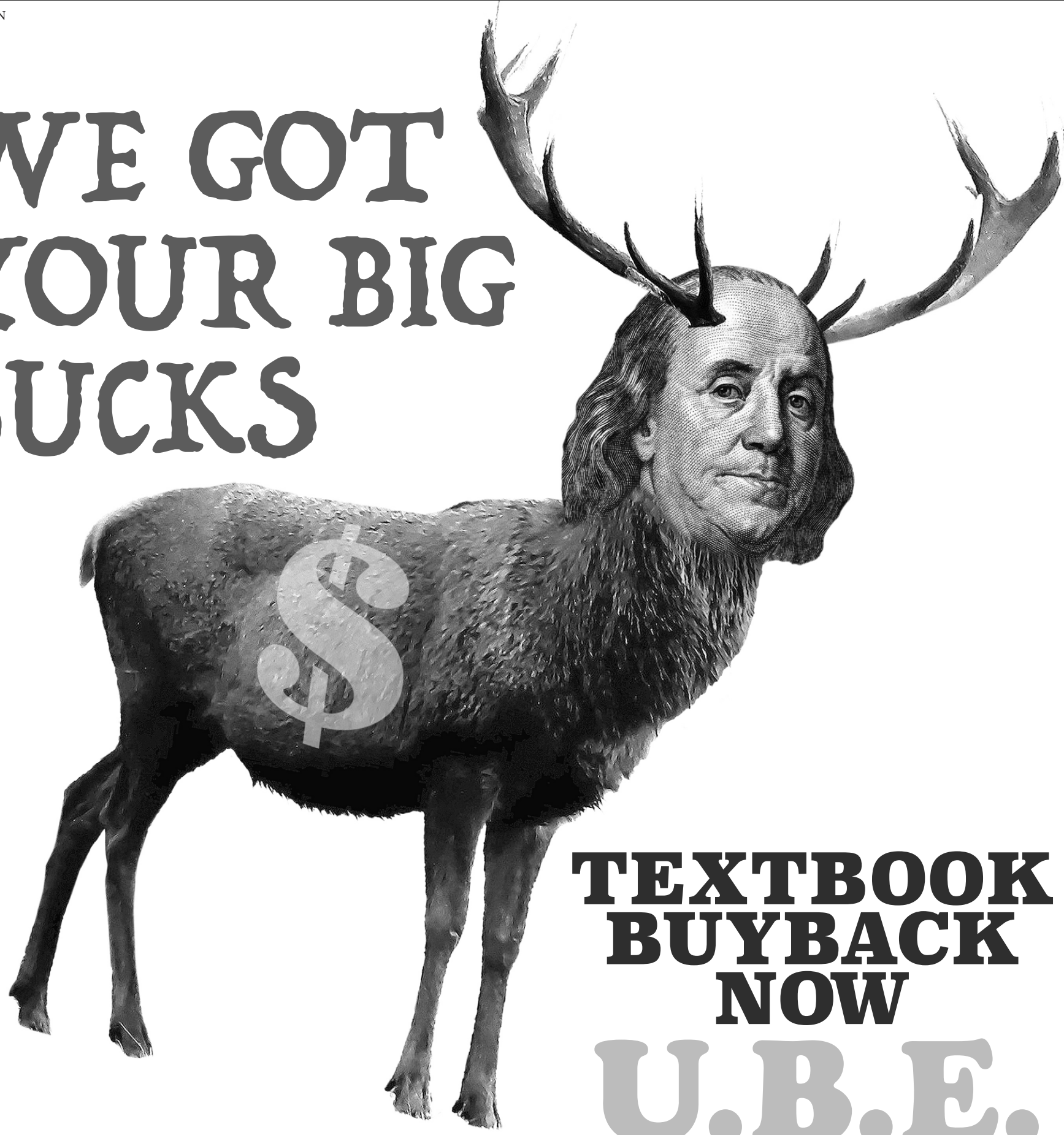
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Students seek exam stress relief

Anna Parrish
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Finding an empty room in Joyner Library is never more difficult than during exam week when you have a thousand things to do. There are study guides to make and papers to finish and it all becomes extremely overwhelming, and as exams quickly approach, students are experiencing anxiety and stress.

The East Carolina Counseling Center said that they see an increase of students during and before the week of exams.

“There is an increase in walk in appointments, so we try to keep a lot of room in the crisis schedule for those students,” said Lauren Thorn, staff counselor and outreach coordinator for the ECU Counseling Center.

The counseling center said there are certain steps to take when talking to a student with high-test anxiety.

“You either have the student is the perfectionist with high expectations or the procrastinator students, who are under-prepared,” said Thorn. The counseling center helps students to conquer their test anxiety with simple steps. The center keeps brochures explaining detailed steps that provide students with an outline of how to prepare before their test.

Thorn said beginning the day with a moderate breakfast and staying occupied until the test will help a student do well on an exam. Study breaks are a good way to pace oneself to avoid becoming overwhelmed.

Thorn also said there are an assortment of apps students can download to help them succeed. Some of the apps include breathing techniques, positive reinforcements, and study guides that help students review.

In addition, different organizations around campus try to



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A student fills out a standard bubble sheet like those used during exams. Exam week shows a spike in anxiety in students on campus.

help students by putting on workshops about time management and stress management.

For example, Joyner Library puts on the event called puppy therapy. The dogs are brought to Joyner to attempt to relieve the stress of students. Joyner also gives out free snacks to help students recharge and take a step back from the busy schedules.

According to the ECU’s 2014 annual report, anxiety and

stress account for 27.4 percent of student visits to the counseling center.

“I try to encourage students. It goes by quickly and it will be okay. In the grand scheme of things this is not going to make or break you,” said Thorn.

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Pirates pursue internships

Collyn Sheaffer
TEC STAFF

With summer break approaching, students are faced with the decision of finding an internship or staying in Greenville to take classes.

Students have spent the last few months applying for internships, registering for classes and preparing for the next couple of months until school starts back up in the fall.

Mary Tucker-McLaughlin, undergraduate coordinator for the School of Communication, is responsible for any willing communication majors to get credit for their internships.

Tucker-McLaughlin said the process begins with an application that should be filled out by the student as well as the advisor for the internship position and should then be turned into the School of Communication office for review. The

application asks for simple information about the student and the internship position as well as specific learning objectives that each student expects to achieve during their experience.

According to the application, the student must document meeting the learning goals throughout the summer using things like a journal, photos, portfolio, written reports, and more to show their progress.

East Carolina’s Career Center also offers help to students looking for opportunities over the summer. The career center’s website allows access to applying for internship opportunities with over 2,800 organizations with concentrations in all majors offered at East Carolina.

Another summer option for students would be to register for and take classes, whether online, on East Carolina’s campus or at a campus elsewhere. For

example, if a student will be home for the summer, they can still take classes at a university in their hometown, as long as the credits can properly transfer towards their graduation process at East Carolina.

The first summer session at East Carolina begins on May 18 according to the university’s calendar, and the second session begins on June 25. Each session is almost five weeks long and has one day for final examinations.

Jenna Light, junior hospitality major, has taken classes over the summer and said that she personally enjoys taking classes in the fall rather than summer because the summer seems to be so rushed.

“I think an internship over the summer is more valuable because you get actual hands on experience,” said Light.

Whether students are

working for a company as an intern or taking classes, there are several ways for students to be productive over the summer and work towards their future. Getting credits toward your major and being able to add more experience to your resume are both ways that students can excel and make their time in college more beneficial for post-grad life.

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his attention was diverted by a companion, but he looked back over later and saw a backpack laying in the location.

Bauman said he recognized the backpack as the one the Tamerian was wearing and became suspicious of the bag and considered contacting the authorities. It was during this time that the backpack exploded — one of two bombs that caused over 200 hundred injuries and the death of three people.

“There was a flash of light and a pop, three pops, and I was on the ground. I opened my eyes and I remember thinking, ‘what was that?’ I lifted my head and I could see all of this chaos,” said Bauman. “I was like this is bad; this is really bad. I’m going to die. I’m going to die here.”

Soon after, Bauman was attended to by emergency responders and others helping survivors out of the chaos. Bauman said that as he was taken to the hospital, he told personnel that he knew who was responsible for the explosions.

When Bauman woke up the following day,

he helped FBI and police officers identify the bombers, which led to the infamous manhunt.

Bauman’s fight however, had little to do with manhunts. Over the next couple years, Bauman fought every day as he learned to deal with his various injuries. He was given prosthetics sometime after his injury and has since learned to walk again unassisted for long periods of time.

Bauman said that he owes his recovery process to his wife, family, friends and all of the national support he has received since the incident.

At the event, Dowdy Student Store was present selling copies of Bauman’s book ‘Stronger’ which recounts the day of the bombing and the road of recovery since in detail.

Bauman stayed after his speech to answer questions and sign copies of his book for students and other attendees.

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Puppy party offers stress relief

Joyner Library hosts 'Pet Therapy' for students during finals week

Brianna Horton
TEC STAFF

Wet noses, paw prints and smiling students will fill Joyner Library this week thanks to the return of "Pet Therapy."

East Carolina University has partnered up with Pet Partners of North Carolina in Greenville for the past five years to provide a stress reliever for students who are preparing for final exams.

"We always have a great turnout for such a small investment. We learned on the web and through professors that this is a very stressful time for students and we want to help them out," said Carolyn Willis, outreach coordinator and research and instructional services for Joyner Library.

Pet Partners of North Carolina brings extensively trained to Joyner Library for students to interact with, with hopes that they can get students' minds off of finals for at least an hour or so. There will be two to three different dogs each day visiting campus.

There will be three different sessions of Pet Therapy, the first beginning on tomorrow from 12 to 1 p.m. The second session is on Thursday from 1 to 2 p.m. and the last session of Pet Therapy will be hosted on May 5 from 5 to 6 p.m. Each Pet Therapy session will be held inside of Joyner Library in the reading room area on the first floor.

"One year we had JJ the boxer dog come and this one young lady was so stressed out, I mean she was almost in tears in the library, and JJ put his two front paws on her as if he knew she was stressed and she started smiling, it was just awesome," said Willis.

According to Willis, Mark Sanders who is an assistant director of public services at ECU heard about Pet Therapy through



COURTESY OF ECU MEDIA RELATIONS

A student sits in the front of the library relaxing with a dog while studying for finals. 'Pet Therapy' will begin tomorrow and last through next week.

library conferences, journals and blogs.

For any student worried about traveling into Joyner but has pet allergies or are just not keen to dogs, the employees of Joyner have stressed that the dogs are clean and will remain in this one area of Joyner off to the side of the entrance.

"On Monday we'll have Jitters coming to the library, she's a great dane and is very laid back," said Willis. "She was in an accident

and ended up with a broken jaw and massive face trauma and she was found on the streets now she's up for the American Hero Dog award."

Willis also said that Pet Therapy is by far her favorite event that Joyner hosts during the school year.

The 2011 school year was Joyner Library's first year hosting this event and since then there have been a few regular dogs that return to visit.

"I'm really excited," said Caroline Eby, freshman public health major. "My RA told me about it and I mean no dog can compare to mine at home but playing with these dogs will help me refocus and push through finals week so I can get back home and see my dog and not have to worry about exams."

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MOVIE REVIEW



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Blake Lively and co-star Michiel Huisman walk together on a country-side road in the movie. The two fall in love in the film.

'Adaline' for all ages

Roger Moore
TRIBUNE NEWS SERVICE

Hollywood long ago ceded "love that stands the test of time" to the realm of science fiction and fantasy, so "The Age of Adaline" falls neatly into a genre that includes "The Time Traveler's Wife," "About Time," and even "Somewhere in Time."

But building this film around all the willowy, world-weary grace that

Blake "Gossip Girl" Lively can muster pays off. As a twentysomething who stopped aging 80 years ago, Lively suggests several lifetimes of experience in a love story that ranges from wistful to hopeful, a romance whose female half understands its consequences.

A pedantic narrator introduces Adaline under "her current alias," Jenny, on New Year's Eve of 2014, then backtracks to give a quasi-scientific explanation to the aging that stopped after an icy car

wreck in the early 1930s. Widowed, we meet her child, see the first attentions her agelessness draws from law enforcement (in the paranoid McCarthy era) and watch her go underground — changing names, changing jobs, investing her money in long-shot stocks so that she's never pressed for cash. Now she works in the San Francisco city archives, and she and her retirement-

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Professor creates film about college experiences

Arvanna Smart
TEC STAFF

East Carolina University professor Michael Tierno wrote science-fiction film, "Through a Class Darkly," which depicts the many struggles that college freshmen encounter.

"Through a Class Darkly" is a musical based on the life of a girl named Madeline as she makes her way through her freshman year at college. She battles with what is right and wrong within her Christian faith, dating, helping friends with addiction while simultaneously trying to be the savior of another battle between good and evil that is happening in a different realm.

The battle consists of an extraterrestrial being telling Madeline that she can receive immortality if she helps fellow students commit suicide. The battle of morality goes on within Madeline as her Christian faith is tested.

Madeline, played by senior musical theater major Amanda Higgins, is a very introverted character that is very relatable to the average student.

"I can relate to her in some ways in the fact that she is a Christian. I identify very strongly in that way," said Higgins. "I think that is a typical, very relatable journey for a freshman in college."

Other characters in the film include Madeline's best friend Caitlyn, played by senior theater major Amber Sweet, and her crush Benjamin, played by junior theater major

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age daughter (a sparkling Ellen Burstyn) are the only ones who know her secret. Then a rich do-gooder of a suitor, Ellis (Dutch actor Michiel Huisman of TV's "Game of Thrones") fixes his eye on her. And her many polite rebuffs fail to deter him. Reluctantly, she falls for him.

The script cleverly has Adaline/Jenny catch herself, blowing off a come-on as something she first heard "from a young Bing Crosby...type." Give Ellis a line that works. He quotes Leigh Hunt's poem "Jenny Kiss'd Me."

"Say I'm weary, say I'm sad. Say that health and wealth have miss'd me. Say I'm growing old, but add, Jenny kiss'd me."

And for an hour, "Adaline" is warm and charm-

ing, with a somber edge. She's buried generations of spaniels. She can't bear to bury another lover.

Then Harrison Ford shows up for the third act as he and the ageless Kathy Baker play Ellis's parents. And Ford, in a performance as affecting as any he's ever given, lifts this romance in ways we never see coming.

But it's Lively's show, and she wears the period clothes and formal wear as easily as Adaline wears the burden of a body that never ages, even as the memory never forgets history learned, a language mastered or what love felt like when you last let yourself experience it.

Roger Moore is a writer for Tribune News Services and this article was originally published on April 23.

Popular Summer Redbox rentals

Amanda Adkins
TEC STAFF

With exams here, the stress can be overwhelming and one way to relieve some of the tension can be to relax and watch a movie.

Every Tuesday new movies are added to the selection of options offered by Redbox rental stands.

Movies can include recently released movies or popular movies from years past.

These top movies provide options for all film genres, so students can pick a film that helps them unwind however they choose.

This week's top movies can be found in Redbox rental stands that are located at most grocery stores, pharmacies, and gas stations.

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| 1. Unbroken | 6. Interstellar |
| 2. The Hobbit: The Battle of Five Armies | 7. Into The Woods |
| 3. Exodus | 8. Big Hero 6 |
| 4. Night At The Museum III | 9. Wild Card |
| 5. Penguins of Madagascar | 10. Dumb And Dumber To |

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This week's top ten redbox rentals include box office hits such as Exodus and Interstellar.

FILM continued from A6

Matthew Blake-Johnson.

"Caitlyn serves as a contrast to Madeline because she is very wild and crazy and lives life to the fullest," said Sweet. "Caitlyn is a character who struggles a lot and she wants a lot of different things and it is very important to show college students that we all can relate to each other because we are all trying to figure out who we are."

According to Higgins, the way that she and Madeline live out their faith may be a little different from than one another and a lot of the film deals with Madeline trying to figure out what she does and doesn't believe in.

According to Tierno, some of the reasons he wrote the film were to explore different issues, such as spirituality, and in turn, created this musical.

"I like writing songs, [which] brought it all together," said Tierno. "The only way to express the things that I wanted to express about Madeline's journey and what she is offered can only be expressed in a science fiction way."

Assistant Director of the film, BJ Emerson, helped with the production of the film including choosing some of the film's locations.

"Hopefully we will have a great film as a result and be submitting it to film festivals for distribution on Netflix and things like that," said Emerson.

This writer can be contacted at arts@theeastcarolinian.com.

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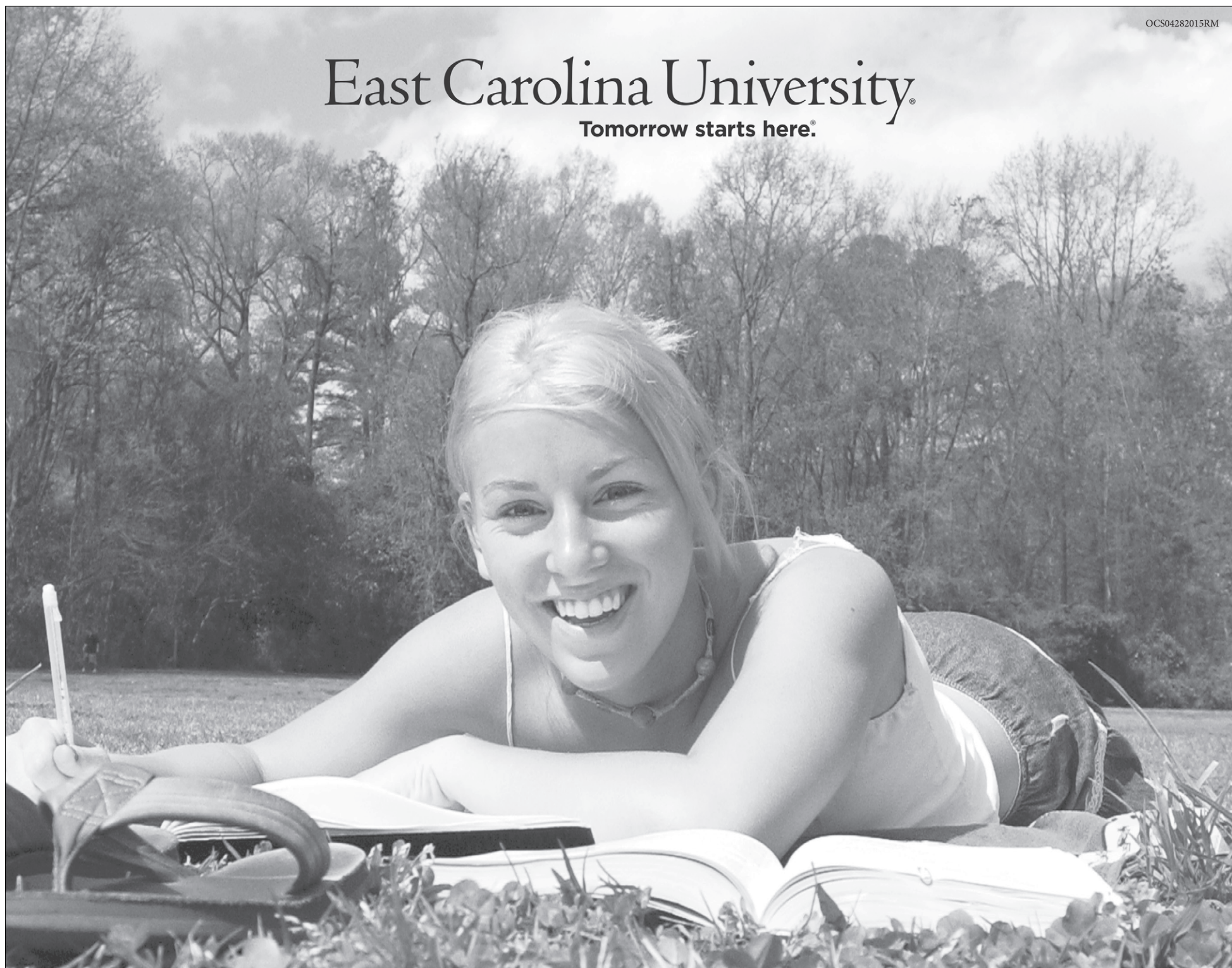
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PIRATE RANTS

My student reported another faculty member's inappropriate sexual behavior toward her; we went to my Chair and nothing happened to the offending faculty member. Students continue to work with this person every day. Until the administrative culture changes, our students are not safe.

The police already investigated a criminal matter, yet TEC is trying to come up with their own narrative. This is how you get the student body to lose trust in whatever you write. TEC is now a tabloid.

Dear TEC, because of your blackened pseudo-social-activist front page, I made sure I held the paper by its edges.

Why is The East Carolinian attempting to become another Rolling Stone? Let's not add ECU to the list of universities which has had public cases proven to be hoaxes. Behave yourselves accordingly.

I LOVED THE BLACK PAGE.

This is towards people being upset that administrators asked about clothes that were worn on the day or night of a sexual assault. Why they ask for what clothes you were wearing isn't because they think you asked for it, it's to see if anyone could identify you and corroborate your story.

Does this paper know the definition of slander?

Can you suck up enough to the liberals?

If you don't know the truth, you can't just make up something because you are not a true journalist.

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Our view

Stressing the need for change

In response to the article that printed in last Thursday's edition of TEC regarding how East Carolina handles cases of sexual assault, administrators have released an informative statement as to how they plan to better the system. While their information is important to acknowledge, additional student input is still another aspect to consider.

We as an editorial staff believe that the following ideas should be reviewed by administrators and those close to the system:

Questions within interview sessions should always be regulated. Faculty and staff who sit in on these sessions should be provided with a pre-approved list of questions and statements which solely aim to gain information on the allegation. Therefore, the inquiries in question will always be worded in an appropriate manner when dealing with sexual assault or harassment cases.

Complainants should be sent a much more personal summary at the conclusion of their thoroughly completed investigation. Generated emails are astronomically insensitive and impersonal when dealing with issues that

will undoubtedly damage the emotional stability of the recipient. Providing complainants with a more personal response will only aid in their emotional recovery along with presenting the facts of their own unique case and what specific support systems they could pursue.

Perhaps the most prevalent of issues centers around the immediate actions the University can take after a rape allegation. A simple dorm reassignment or week-long suspension of the accused party simply isn't enough to completely ensure the safety and peace of mind of a sexual assault victim.

In order for the system to truly change and better itself, improvements must be made to the resolution process and, most importantly, incorporate the very people it aims to protect: students, faculty and staff.

The safety of all students should always remain the number one priority of the University, as well as the faculty and staff. It is true that the system may never be perfect, but it can always be improved.

Official ECU response



Virginia Hardy
GUEST COLUMNIST

Sexual assaults are high profile concerns on college campuses around the state and nation. Unfortunately, East Carolina University is not immune. But the university is not sitting quietly.

We applaud The East Carolinian staff and editors for asking questions and advocating for their fellow students on this issue. This is a conversation that must continue for positive improvement and efforts.



Bill Koch
GUEST COLUMNIST

A safe campus requires everyone working together — students, faculty, staff and administration working together to make our campus a secure environment. Here are some things about our education, investigation and support efforts we would like for students to know:

ECU continually reviews policies, processes and educational programs dealing with sexual assaults and sexual misconduct. What the campus has seen this academic year is just the initial roll-out; there is more to come.

Prior to 2011, the perception of Title IX was that it primarily related to gender equality in athletic programs. However, following the "Dear Colleague" letter published by the Office of Civil Rights (OCR) in 2011 and the "Not Alone" report from the White House in 2014, Title IX shifted significantly to focus on sexual assault, sexual violence and sexual misconduct. These guiding principles and reports forced, in a very positive way, colleges and universities to evaluate existing reporting processes associated with Title IX incidents as well as identify whether the resources and services available for the campus community were meeting the demand.

At ECU, there were successful programs already in place to educate students about campus safety and preventing sexual assault. In fact, safety training programs in the residence halls, and with populations such as Greek Life, Club Sports, and student athletes have been conducted annually long before the OCR and White House reports were released.

Additionally, the ECU Police Department conducts R.A.D. (Rape Aggression Defense) training along with crime prevention and reporting education throughout the year and specifically upon request for student groups and students living on and off campus.

While these programs continue to be successful, ECU leadership is committed to tackling Title IX and sexual assault head-on. A full commitment is essential to maintaining ECU's institutional integrity.

An external review confirmed that ECU's



CYDNEY SMITH | THE EAST CAROLINIAN

Last Thursday's edition of The East Carolinian shed light on issues surrounding sexual assault at ECU.

processes within the Office of Student Rights and Responsibilities aligned with best practices across the country and offered suggestions to strengthen our processes even further. Additionally, the UNC System's Campus Security Initiative recommended all students be removed from the Student Conduct Review Panel. This was implemented at ECU in fall 2014; the review panel is now fully comprised of ECU staff and faculty.

While the OCR strongly encourages universities to complete investigations within 60 days of the initial report, circumstances may arise where delays occur and the timeframe has to be extended. In these situations, investigators notify both parties (complainant and respondent) that an extension is needed. It is important to note that Title IX investigations are conducted on a neutral party basis, which means investigators must ask thorough and comprehensive questions of the complainant and the respondent to afford a fair investigation.

Since summer 2014, ECU has also implemented a mandatory online training program called "Preventing Discrimination and Sexual Violence." This training educates faculty and staff about different forms of discrimination based on sex, sexual misconduct, sexual assault, University policies and procedures, and available resources. Specifically for students, there are three mod-

ules (AlcoholEDU, Pirate Safety, and HAVEN) required of all freshman that are geared towards educating about general safety measures/initiatives, alcohol decision making and responsibility, sexual assault, relationship violence and stalking.

Starting in August 2014, the university launched a new Title IX website (ecu.edu/TitleIX), which showcases official university incident reporting options, confidential and non-confidential resources at ECU and in the Pitt/Greenville area, and key terms/definitions associated with Title IX.

ECU has significantly increased education and communication to the campus community over the last 18 months related to Title IX, sexual assault and campus safety. Resources include an ECU Cares 24-Hour Phone Line (737-5555), and the ECU Cares Website (www.ecu.edu/ECUCares) was launched in Jan. 2015.

ECU is committed to creating a safer campus and we will continue to take deliberate steps to improve processes and educate our campus.

We encourage sexual assault victims to come forward and report. East Carolina University has the support system and resources to help.

We want our students to know ECU Cares.

Dr. Virginia Hardy is vice chancellor for Student Affairs and Bill Koch is associate vice chancellor for environmental health & campus safety.

Poll results

Do you feel ECU is properly handling cases of on-campus sexual assault?

Yes - 35.3%
No - 64.7%

Poll question

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PIRATE RANTS

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Is this paper a joke or what? do u really print anything anyone cares to read about?

In the real world, when you print lies, you are subject to lawsuits, i suggest you get you get your facts straight and wait for a process server!!!

I hope the so called editor of this rag never finds a job in journalism.

Glad somebody spoke up about the dining hall. Maybe they'll listen and I won't have to just eat salads anymore.

There is so much more going on in the world that this crap about diversity? Who cares?

Sometimes I honestly wish feminism was a man-hating cult of witches. That way we could cast a body switching spell. Things would change real quick.

Remember when Sup Dogs was just a fun bar that wasn't trying to be the next Hooters? Hint: It was before they changed their Facebook cover photo to a picture of all of the female employees' butts.

5 years. 4 apartments. 3 mental breakdowns. 2 majors. 1 day. GRADUATION! BOOYAH!

I've paid for my tuition twice over in parking tickets! Here's to the last week of undergrad ever!!!

I've been talking to my professors recently about their recommendations regarding the development of skills and other competencies most employers want nowadays because I have come to the realization that University doesn't teach you any of those things. Well, at least they give you someone to talk to about those things.

If she doesn't know about the "gunbrella", she's too young for you bro.

Not only did I get a rant published, I got a butt-hurt response from an offended person! I can now graduate happy.

Shoutout to the Pirate Rants from an ECU alumni in Tennessee. Good luck during the upcoming finals! It's worth it in the end.

My grandpa told me this over the weekend: "Sorority girls don't have to work. They can just marry a medical grad student and not have to worry about their careers."

Did PeeDee propose to anyone else at Friday's baseball game or was that just me?

I just bought a candy bar from the P.O.D. in Jones that expired in November 2014.

Your shoes are untied...

Wait. Did you just say 'White'? Excuse me, but I prefer Non-native American. Racist!

ECU. What is the point of having a website if nothing ever works and just leads to a purple hole of nothingness. Come on now!

So to the guy yelling on the third floor of Joyner about your 57 in your class...You should probably work on that instead of yelling it to the ENTIRE library!

"Sleep?" What is this thing

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Land of the Lotus-Eaters

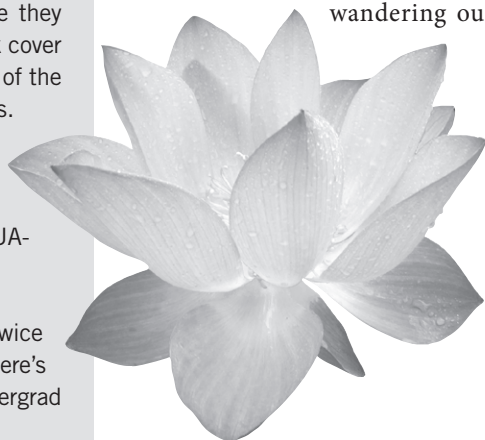


Jessica Richmond
TEC STAFF

On this, my last night at the helm of this ship we call TEC, let me tell you a story:

After many nights battling the sea, Odysseus and his men arrive on the shores of an island. He sends three of them off to find out if the island natives are peaceful. When they don't return he assumes the worst and rushes to find the men only to find them perfectly content with the rest of the natives. These natives are the eaters of the lotus flowers, a magical flower that intoxicates men and makes them forget their home. Odysseus saves the three intoxicated gentlemen by forcing them to leave, though they wept loudly to stay on the island forever. The seas ahead of them were treacherous and staying ignorant to the world would be their easiest option.

I have found in my years at East Carolina many a lotus eater wandering our

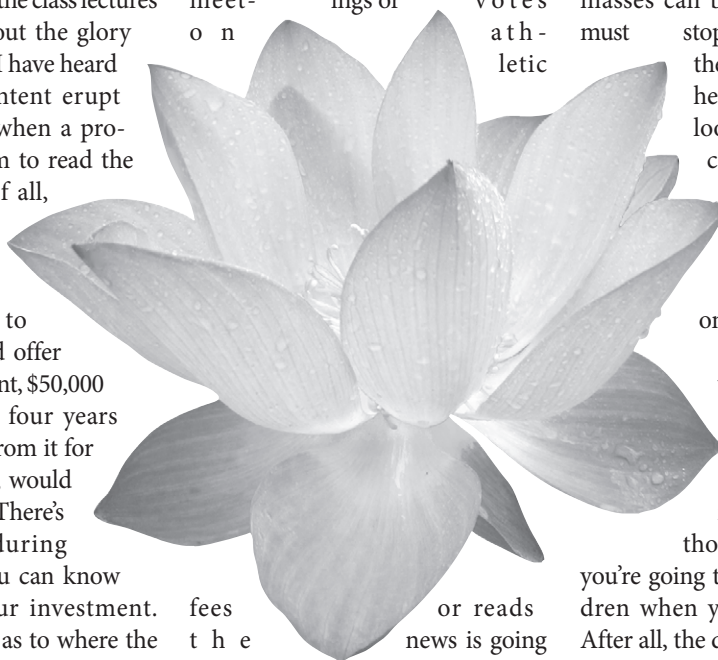


campus. I have witnessed their glazed, hung-over eyes as they push their sluggish body through the day. I have seen an auditorium filled with students mindlessly clicking away on Facebook as a man at the front of the class lectures enthusiastically about the glory of political science. I have heard whispers of discontent erupt across classrooms when a professor requires them to read the news. And worst of all, I have seen others accept their fate as their own.

If a man were to walk up to you and offer you a great investment, \$50,000 down now, and in four years you might benefit from it for the rest of your life, would you take the deal? There's a catch though, during these four years you can know nothing about your investment. You cannot inquire as to where the money is going and you cannot meet the people who are in charge of the money. You just have to cross your fingers and hope that everything

works out. Most of us wouldn't take that deal in a million years, right? Then why, oh why, are there so few students on this campus paying attention to where their money is going?

This campus is a microcosm of America, the problems we have on this campus right now are going to be the problems we see manifest in our real world. The student government officials will be real government officials, student athletes will be real athletes, student journalists will be real journalists. So the fact that no one shows up to the student government meetings or votes on athletic



fees or reads the news is going to produce a world of adults that don't care about what's going on around them. The great hope in all of this is



that the curse of the Lotus Flowers is not permanent. The spellbound masses can be saved they simply must stop eating. Stop drinking the Kool-Aid. Pull their head from the sand and look around them with curiosity. The seas are rough ahead and it only becomes more treacherous without a vigilant eye on the horizon.

So spit out those wretched blossoms, take control of the Fates, navigate the grey waters and most of all put great thought into the stories you're going to tell your grandchildren when your odyssey is over. After all, the details make the story.

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Reflecting on four years



Josh Graham
TEC STAFF

Over the years, I've always loathed when reporters shamelessly insert themselves into their stories. So please bear with me, even if it's only for this one time.

However, that's just part of the reason why piecing together this story has not been an easy exercise. The other reason it has proven to be difficult is because I know this will be the last time my name prints on an East Carolinian byline, marking the end of my four years covering the Pirates for TEC— and closing the first chapter of my career in journalism.

Looking back on my time as a student-journalist, this newspaper has opened several doors for me and taken me to some neat places.

For instance, I once stood on a football sideline inside a baseball stadium in 2013 as the final seconds ticked down at Tropicana Field and ECU had captured its first bowl victory since 2007. Moments later, the jubilant group of Pirates poured onto a spongy turf field in Tampa. One of those players was offensive tackle Ike Harris, who I witnessed steal Pee Dee the Pirate's sword amidst the euphoric celebration.

There was another time this job crammed me into a courtside seat at storied Cameron Indoor Stadium for a game ECU fans said they would have been satisfied if their beloved Pirates had only lost by 20 points. Instead, Jeff Lebo's bunch struck fear into the hearts of the Cameron crazies and nearly knocked off Mike Krzyzewski's sixth-ranked Duke Blue Devils, falling short by the narrow margin of 83-74.

The East Carolinian also sent me to Pitt-Greenville Airport at 4:30 a.m. — just a few hours before I had an 8 a.m. Spanish exam — to meet the recently crowned CIT Champions, who had just beaten Weber State on a buzzer-beating, game-winning basket. On the ride over to the airport, my fellow TEC colleague and good friend, Ronnie Moore, and I discussed what kind of turnout we thought there would be. What we saw next exceeded anything we could have imagined: a lobby overflowed with hundreds of people awaiting the Pirates' arrival.

I don't remember how I did on that test, but I'll never forget the looks on the faces of those players when they were first greeted by that many people at that hour in the morning.

Thanks to The East Carolinian, I've gotten to see some incredible game day environments too. But as great of places Williams-Brice Stadium at South Carolina and Lane Stadium at Virginia Tech are to take in a football game — their respective pre-game entrances of "Space Odyssey" and "Enter Sandman" could easily be the two noisiest moments of my life — there is something special about "Purple Haze" and specifically, Saturdays in the fall in Greenville, N.C.

Anybody who has been here for even the most abbreviated of stretches likely has some memories of the sights, sounds and smells of that walk down 14th street on a game day — through a sea of purple-and-gold clad tailgaters — that leads up to the massive structure Ruffin McNeill simply calls, "The Fick." In that stadium, I once watched a streaker take the field during a half-



Josh Graham (far left) sits courtside during ECU's game against Duke at Cameron Indoor Stadium in 2013. COURTESY OF ECU ATHLETICS

time military appreciation ceremony, marveled at 70-41 (need I say more?) and witnessed a former walk-on quarterback break the NCAA FBS record for career receptions.

The East Carolinian essentially served as a learning laboratory for a loud, athletically unimpressive kid who loved sports and telling stories, while allowing him to work with some great people and make even greater friends.

Moreover, what the paper did for me was confirm what I already knew — that journalism is what I was put on this Earth to do.

It may not have seemed that way when the first of my five great sports editors thought I had plagiarized on my first assignment. But since then, I've been a writer, sports editor, football editor and will leave the newsroom as a featured columnist and one of the two co-hosts on the recently created TEC TV program.

But as much as I loved covering the games themselves, it was the never-ending challenge associated with this craft and the readers' craving to constantly consume content about the Pirates that kept me coming back for more.

After all, it was your passion for ECU athletics that made my job neces-

sary in the first place. And for that, I can't thank you all enough.

This paper will always own a special place in my heart.

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Dear The Eastern Carolinian



Dan Hunt
TEC STAFF

I can't wait to see your seniors leave. What a bunch of heathens! I bin listenin' to the radio here in

Greenville and the man told me that I should be mad at the TEC Carolinian — so I am.

Here I am just trying to read about how great our five-loss football team is and looking for something to get me through UNC's basketball offseason (Go Heels! My second cousin went there); and you show the audacity to print images of anti-abortionist campaigns, cocaine and partial nudity from a real ECU Snapchat account.

How dare you report the news objectively!

You're making our university look bad! Where's your school pride? It's not like you're an independent news outlet or anything.

Now about the Pirate Rant. Public forums like these should be banned. I can't believe you let someone mention the topic of race in your paper. Racism doesn't exist so why talk about it?

And now you're going to tell me sexual assault is improperly handled? Give me a break. As if an institution that 30 thousand students call home, one that makes millions of dollars, has any motive to sweep something controversial under the rug.

I don't want my privileged child to grow up in a world where we acknowledge real issues and display real images.

Student newspapers have three jobs: Overhype our sports teams, spread the Word of God and spit on the First Amendment. Your so-called "senior leaders" have failed to deliver any of that this year.

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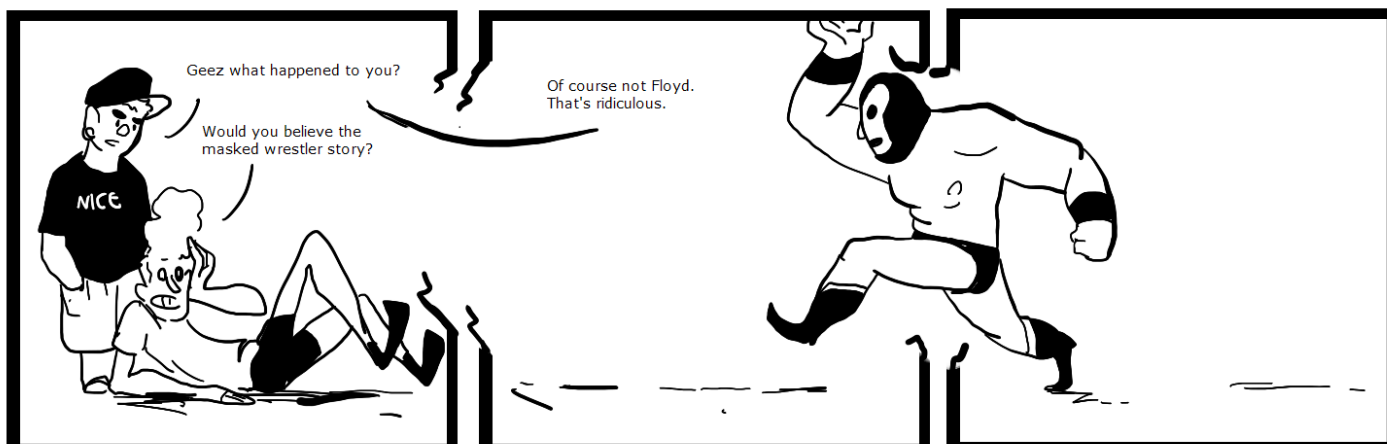
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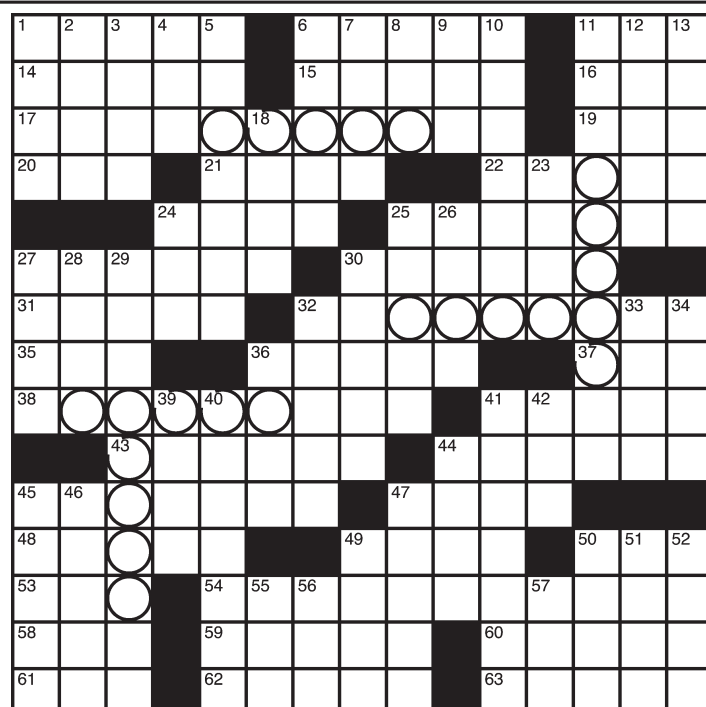
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- 25 "The Maltese Falcon" novelist
- 27 "That's enough!"
- 30 Get started, as a grill
- 31 One-eighty
- 32 Flour packaging
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- 36 Animal skins
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- 38 Diva's big moment
- 41 "Another card, dealer"
- 43 Citizens under Caesar
- 44 Gorge
- 45 Pure joy
- 47 Quaint dagger
- 48 Controversial Nixon records
- 49 Blue jay or oriole
- 50 Down in the dumps
- 53 Actress Thurman
- 54 Pocketful of coins, and what literally occurs in the circled letters in five puzzle answers
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- 59 Elaborate display
- 60 The "A" in "CAT scan"
- 61 Fair-hiring abbr.
- 62 Thick-furred dog
- 63 Colorful tank fish



By Robert E. Lee Morris

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THURSDAY'S PUZZLE SOLVED

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Diamond Bucs roll past Knights

Adam Decker
TEC STAFF

The East Carolina baseball team has now won six straight games and nine of its last 10 as it completed a weekend sweep of American Athletic Conference opponent No. 24 Central Florida.

The ECU starting pitching was phenomenal in all three games, but the bullpen struggled and never allowed the Pirates to get comfortable.

The weekend starters turned in quality performances, allowing two runs each. Friday's pitcher Evan Kruczynski totaled 10 strikeouts and Saturday's starter Reid Love tallied nine, both career highs. Love was named AAC Player-of-the-Week Monday for his performances both on the mound and at the plate.

The Pirates (29-16, 9-6 AAC) bullpen surrendered multiple runs in the ninth inning of each game against the Knights (26-19, 5-6 AAC) but got the job done, winning by one run in each game.

"Did you think it was going to be easy? Did you really think it was going to be easy," ECU Head Coach Cliff Godwin joked after the sweep. "They are a good team, they were ranked in the top ten earlier in the year. You don't get ranked in the top-10 by accident."



David Lucroy lets go of a pitch in Sunday's win over UCF. The junior allowed an unearned run in two-thirds of an inning.

The Pirates capped off the important series sweep with a strong performance from the ECU bats and starter Jacob Wolfe winning, 6-5.

The team started the first inning with two leadoff singles, scoring its first run on a wild pitch. Luke Lowery then blasted his team-leading ninth home run to score an

additional three runs and give the Pirates a 4-0 lead.

In the ninth inning, UCF mounted a comeback scoring three runs, piling together four base hits and three walks. Freshman Evan Voliva entered the game with two outs and two runners on and after surrendering a walk and got a flyout to right field for the games final out.

Although they got the victory, it became very apparent that the Pirates are in need of a clutch performer that can close games out.

"We are kind of by committee. The guy that is the most fresh goes out there," Godwin said. "We just don't have that guy on our staff... We don't have one guy, that's tough to come by." Once again the Pirates didn't

make it easy on themselves Saturday, as they won, 3-2, making the game interesting down the stretch.

The starting pitcher Love was dominant as he earned the victory throwing eight and two-thirds innings.

Junior center fielder Garrett Brooks gave the Pirates an early 1-0 lead, hitting his first career home run in the third inning. Brooks previously had 328 plate appearances without a home run.

With the Pirates up 3-0 in the top of the ninth and two outs, Love allowed two base runners allowing a walk and base hit.

Freshman pitcher Joe Ingle then entered and surrendered a UCF run on a single to left field. Then with the bases loaded, Ingle threw a wild pitch, scoring another run to make the game 3-2.

With the game on the line, Ingle struck out the UCF batter to win the game and earn the save.

"He [Ingle] gets in those jams all the time, sometimes he creates them but he always gets out of it," Godwin said. "Tremendous poise as a freshman. There's not many freshmen in the country that are

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Smith powers softball past UConn

Andi Caruso
TEC STAFF

Freshman Karlie Smith hit two grand slams this weekend as she helped lead the East Carolina softball team to a series win against American Athletic Conference-foe Connecticut.

Smith was named AAC Player-of-the-Week Monday after her strong showing against UNC and UConn.

The Pirates (16-36, 7-11 AAC) beat the Huskies (17-30, 4-10 AAC) in five innings on Sunday and secured the series victory with an impressive 12-0 win.

The Pirates' offense exploded as it notched 12 runs off of 10 hits. With a 7-0 advantage in the third inning, Smith hit her second grand slam in two days that increased the Pirates lead to 11-0.

"Karlie is an unbelievable hitter, but



Karlie Smith

she has to believe in herself," Interim Head Coach Steve Jaecks said. "She believes in herself now and that really helps. It's a process and she has come in and done really well."

Smith currently holds a .281 batting average with 15 RBI this season and 14 runs off of 26 hits.

"I think confidence is a big thing," said Smith. "Our team has been hitting really well lately and hits are contagious."

Along with Smith, sophomore Kacie Oshiro went 4-for-4, crossed the plate twice and had two RBI.

"If you're hitting, you know you are going to

go up to the plate and give your all and do what you can to get runners in," said Smith.

Sophomore pitcher Lydia Richie (4-7) held the Huskies offense to two hits as she struck out four batters.

"I think it's just getting innings and getting out there," said Richie. "I have a great defense behind me. Going out there with a lead makes you feel more relaxed."

Sarah Christian pitched her 109th career start Saturday and only gave up three runs.

"Sarah is a given," said Jaecks. "You know exactly what you are going to get out of her time in and time out."

She pitched four innings, surrendered four hits and struck out three batters.

However, the Pirates scored eight runs in the second inning. The momentum started when senior Casey Alcorn hit a single, then

was moved to second after a walk by first baseman Ali Ramirez. With the bases loaded, senior Andie Johnson hit a sacrifice fly to score the Pirates first run.

Up 4-2, senior catcher Abby Wynne hit her 15th home run of the season, a grand slam that brought the Pirates score up to 8-2.

The Pirates went on to finish the game with a 15-3 win.

During the first game of the series, the Pirates lost, 3-1. With a 1-1 scored in the sixth inning, starting pitcher Richie gave up a home run to the Huskies. In the seventh inning UConn scored another run to secure its victory.

This series marked the last series in AAC play for ECU. The Pirates have a week off before playing in the AAC Tournament.

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Track & Field sets records in weekend

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TEC STAFF

Both the East Carolina men's and women's track and field teams once again performed strongly and set new personal records at the Tom Jones Invitational at the University of Virginia.

Senior Desi Brown won the men's javelin throw with a distance of 52.81 meters, a new personal record. Behind him in second place was sophomore teammate Joey Muzzio who threw 47.86 meters.

Senior Alexander Mobley-Hollie wasn't far behind them as he places fifth with a throw of 37.30 meters.

With this win also came many new personal records and even a school record set.

Sophomore Taylor Drummonds set a new ECU record in the women's pole vault with a jump of 3.85 meters (12' 7.5"), placing fifth among the competition. She beat the previous record by roughly an inch.

On the men's pole vault side, senior Henry Johnson placed

second with a mark of 5.17 meters (16' 11.5"). Sophomore Adam Manns set two new personal records for himself at the meet in the shot put and in the hammer throw.

Manns shot put throw put him in second place with a throw of 16.51 meters. His second personal record set was a throw of 48.18 in hammer throw finishing eighth overall and now is ranked tenth overall in the record books.

On the track side, ECU also set new personal records. Senior



Jorge Montes

Aiesha Goggins ran a 52.83 in the 400-meter dash, an American Athletic Conference leading time and holds the ECU record in the event. Goggins placed seventh in the event.

In the 3000-meter run, junior Shewit Weldense set a personal

record of 10:06.34 knocking seven seconds off her previous time, placing second overall.

Jorge Montes once again had a top performance.

At the previous two meets he set new school records and at this meet set a new career-best time in the 1500 meter at 3:53.97 placing 15th.

He is now sixth all-time in the record book.

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TAKEAWAYS

BASEBALL

ECU (29-16, 9-6 AAC) swept No. 24 Central Florida over the weekend including a walk-off victory Friday night.

SOFTBALL

The Pirates (16-36, 7-11 AAC) took two-of-three over the weekend from UConn in their final AAC series of the season.

BASEBALL

Senior pitcher Reid Love was named the American Athletic Conference Player-of-the-Week.

WOMEN'S GOLF

Frida Gustafson Spang will compete in the NCAA regionals from May 7-9. The regional will be hosted by N.C. State.

BASEBALL

Senior shortstop Hunter Allen was named to the Brooks Wallace Watch List, which is given to the top shortstop in college baseball.

TRACK & FIELD

Desi Brown won the men's javelin throw at the Tom Jones Invitational at the University of Virginia over the weekend.

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going out there in those kind of jams.”

Friday night’s game resulted in a 6-5 walk-off victory, their third consecutive walk-off win at the time.

After ECU allowed a ninth inning run, Pirates’ safety blanket pitcher Nick Durazo entered and allowed UCF first baseman James Vasquez to hit a game-tying two-run home run in the top of the ninth inning, Durazo’s second consecutive blown save.

The Pirates opened the bottom of the ninth with two singles and runners on the corners.

Lowery was thrown out at the plate after a Travis Watkins chopper to the shortstop. Then with two runners in scoring position, UCF struck out the next

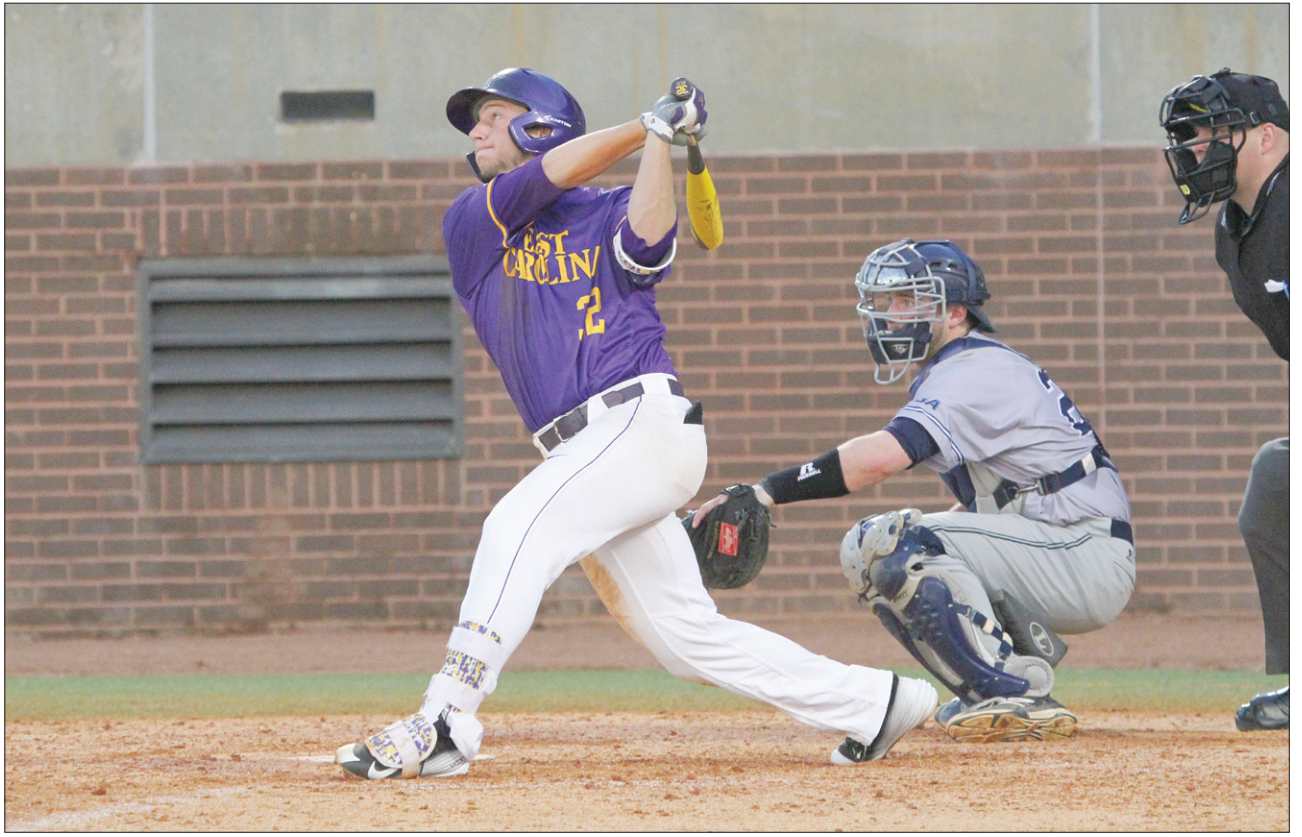
two ECU batters to send the game into extra innings.

After the Pirates pitched a scoreless top of the tenth, Hunter Allen hit a leadoff single and was moved to third base after a sacrifice bunt and groundout.

Eric Tyler then entered the batter’s box, 0-5 on the day. Tyler swung and hit the first pitch back up the middle to score Allen.

“There’s a new guy everyday. I told them joking in the locker room before we started ‘hey lets try to win one in regulars today’ we still didn’t do that,” Allen joked. “It’s still like a kid on Christmas every time a walk-off happens.”

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Reid Love makes contact with a pitch. He was named American Athletic Conference Player-of-the-Week after going 8-for-18 over the week.

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