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## Heroin bust in Pitt Co.



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The money, firearms and heroin was seized by the Greenville Police Department following the search of Williams' car and residence.

## Two month investigation leads to two arrests

Seth Gullledge  
TEC STAFF

The Greenville Police Department has arrested two Pitt County men on multiple counts of trafficking in heroin.

The arrests concluded a two month investigation, which resulted in the seizure of 9,650 bags of heroin, in addition to four and a half ounces of uncut heroin.

The Greenville Police Department held a press conference yesterday afternoon to announce the arrest of James Christopher Alexander and Davarus Tarcel Williams.

Williams, 35, was arrested on Thursday after a traffic stop was conducted in the area of Firetower Road and Charles Boulevard.

The officers searched his vehicle and residence, where they found a total of 7,400 bags of heroin, \$30,128, two handguns, and four and a half ounces of uncut heroin.

The approximate street value of the heroin seized is \$260,150.

Officers discovered a hydraulic hidden compartment in William's vehicle, in which a large amount of heroin was hidden. The compartment was discovered when officers noticed non-factory alterations to the vehicle during an inspection.

Deputy Chief Ted Sauls said the dis-



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Deputy Chief Sauls shows the hidden compartment in Williams' car where heroin was stored.

covery demonstrates the importance of training for officers, who may have missed the compartment otherwise.

Due to the hidden compartment, the vehicle will not be allowed to recirculate into the public, and awaits the court decisions regarding its usage or disposal.

Alexander, 45, was arrested Thursday night at his residence located in

Grimesland, North Carolina Alexander was already on house arrest at the time.

The arrest followed a two month long investigation conducted by the Greenville Regional Drug Task Force. During the investigation, detectives

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## Club sports adds gender identity policy

Kelsey Padgett  
TEC STAFF

The East Carolina University Club Sports program has implemented a new standard of operation concerning gender identity.

With this new standard, transgender students on campus will be able to participate in intramural and club sports with the gender they identify with.

ECU is the first public university in the state to implement a standard of this kind.

The ECU Club Sports currently services over 1,200 athletes with 39 clubs. The program partnered with the LGBT resource office to create the new standard.

There are currently five club sports that offer both a men's and women's team: basketball, soccer, lacrosse, volleyball, and rugby.



Justin Waters

According to Assistant Director of Club Sports Justin Waters, a transgender student must participate as a single gender during a year. He said this is to keep students from claiming they identify as another gender just to fill an open gender specific spot on one team.

Waters also said if an ECU club sports team is playing a school that does not have a Gender Identity Inclusion standard, the student will have the right to play as a regular member of the team unless the school has a policy that prohibits it.

Waters said after attending a national conference for the last two years he realized this standard was needed.

"We didn't have an operating procedure that covered this population of our student body so I wanted to make sure we were proactive in creating this standard operating procedure," said Waters.

The Club Sports program has also required teams participating to agree and abide by the university's diversity policy that "no person shall be discriminated against or refused membership based on age, gender, race, ethnicity, sexual orientation, religion, or political affiliation."

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## New delivery service comes to Greenville

Seth Gullledge  
TEC STAFF

The former managers of Alfredo's NY Pizza have teamed up again for a new delivery service in Greenville.

Former general manager Daniel Barrett and his partner, Colby Thomas,

former assistant manager, opened up their delivery service Lazy Pirate last week.

According to Barrett, the Lazy Pirate business model is designed after a simple idea: If you want something, they'll deliver it.

Barrett said his delivery drivers will pick up anything with the exception of restricted drugs, alcohol and tobacco.

"We don't say no until the government or Greenville says no," said Barrett. "They wanted us to limit it to just restaurants, but there's nothing in the world that says you can't order groceries from Harris Teeter, and I can't come deliver them for you."

This policy has led Barrett and Thomas to deliver a range of items, and even providing transportation service for one customer.

Barrett said the idea for the company came to him while he was still working at Alfredo's. He wanted coffee one night, but could not convince any local coffee stores to deliver to him.

"I decided then I was going to open a place that would deliver coffee, but then I thought, why should we limit ourselves to coffee," said Barrett. "These kids in the dorm, they need everyday stuff too."

Barrett said he believes Greenville needs a delivery service such as his, because of the amount of college students who do not have cars, or do not wish to drive on weekends.

He said he thinks there is a lack of companies that will deliver to drunken college students, especially since Alfredo's closure on July 1.

According to Barrett, the delivery

"We don't say no until the government or Greenville says no."

-Daniel Barrett



charge of 20 percent of the total order cost, plus \$0.25 per mile delivery fee makes his service affordable.

Barrett said his company is still small, but since their beginning on July 21, it has made a small amount of deliveries that encourages him to pursue expanding the business.

Part of his plan to expand involves finishing the creation of the mobile application and website, as well as marketing more around East Carolina University.

"We're what Greenville needs," said Barrett. "We're here to help out the Pirate Nation. Whatever anyone needs we're here to help, and make a little bit of money along the way."

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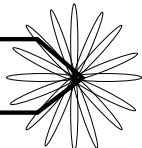
New student club supports Pirate parents

Students are holding an interest meeting for a prospective club. Proud Pirates Who Parent will be a group for current undergraduate or graduate students at East Carolina University who are either pregnant or parenting. The club will hold an interest meeting in the Ledonia Wright Cultural Center on Wednesday, July 29, from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m. to gauge interest and answer questions.

GPD responds to home invasion

The Greenville Police Department arrested 38-year-old Vinson Little after he allegedly broke into and assaulted his ex-girlfriend in her home at the 2700 block of Bluff View Drive. Little fled from officers responding to the scene but was located behind a house by Officer Paul Armstrong and K9 Dierks after a mile and a half long search. Little was transported to Vidant Medical Center for respiratory issues. The GPD has stated that he will be charged upon his release. Warrants have been secured against him for 1st degree burglary, Assault on a Female, Larceny after B&E, Interfering with emergency 911 and Child Abuse/Endangerment.

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learned Williams and Alexander were supplying eastern North Carolina and Pitt County with heroin. Sauls said the task force does not have any reason to believe that either Alexander or Williams have any gang affiliations. He also said the task force does not have reason to believe the heroin or suspects have any connection to the tainted batch of heroin that led to multiple deaths last spring. The Greenville Regional Drug Task Force is a multi-department coalition composed of officers from multiple local and state agencies, including the GPD and East Carolina University Police Department. Both Williams and Alexander are being held at the Pitt County Detention Center under a \$2 million secure bond.

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A two-week long summer camp for autistic teens was held on campus this summer. The graduation for the camp was held last week.

ECU hosts multiple camps for Pitt County children

Kelsey Padgett TEC STAFF

East Carolina University is taking this week to give back to the youth of Pitt County with multiple educational opportunities.

Kayaking grant benefits kids

The ECU Adventure Program received a \$2,500 grant to take Pitt County kids kayaking on the Tar River. The Paddle Nation Grant Program awarded ECU with the grant in order for rafts and other equipment to be purchased. The Adventure Program is a part of ECU Campus Recreation and Wellness in the Division of Student Affairs. The Adventure Program regularly offers trips, skill classes and equipment rentals to students.

Three paddle trips with the new equipment have been scheduled, the first of which was Friday, July 23. The second is scheduled for today and the third is Friday, July 31.

The Adventure Program will take 15 to 18 fifth through eighth graders on each trip. Each launch will leave from the Greenville Town Common boat ramp.

"For many of these young people, this is their first time in a kayak," said Brad Beggs, assistant director of adventure in Campus Recreation and Wellness. "In fact, we have found that it's the first time on the water in any capacity for some of the kids."

The Paddle Nation Grant Program looks to connect young people to the waterways in their area. The program is funded by the National Park Service, Outdoor Retailer and several paddle-sport industry manufacturers, retailers and stakeholders.

The program regularly awards grants to organizations like the Adventure Program to fund their project ideas. One of the requirements for each project is that it must increase youth participation in recreational paddling activities.



A whitewater experience was hosted by the Adventure Program on the Haw River.

Camp for diabetic children

This week the Brody School of Medicine's Department of Pediatrics will be hosting the 30th annual camp for children with Type 1 Diabetes.

Camp Needles in the Pines is a one-week residential camp for eight to 14-year-olds in eastern North Carolina.

The camp, which began on Monday, is held at Camp Boddie in Blounts Creek.

The mission of the camp is to provide a fun, safe and educational camping experience for the 75 campers living with Type 1 Diabetes.

The staff of the camp will consist of volunteers from the Brody School of Medicine and other ECU departments, Vidant Medical Center and a local private practice.

ECU pediatric endocrinologist Dr. Jennifer Sutter will be the medical director for the camp.

STEM to STEAM camp

The East Carolina University School of Art and Design is hosting a STEM to STEAM camp this week

for Pitt County children.

Sixty-two children between the ages of five and 15 will attend the camp.

During the camp, campers will have the opportunity to learn more about art forms such as metal design, ceramics, 3-D printing, origami, paper-mache, sculpture and photography. They will also engage in activities to teach them about science, technology, engineering and math (STEM) and how it relates to art (STEAM).

ECU students majoring in art education, computer science and elementary education will serve as counselors throughout the week. Two Pitt County Schools art teachers will also assist.

ECU Associate Professor of art education Robert Quinn will act as the camp director.

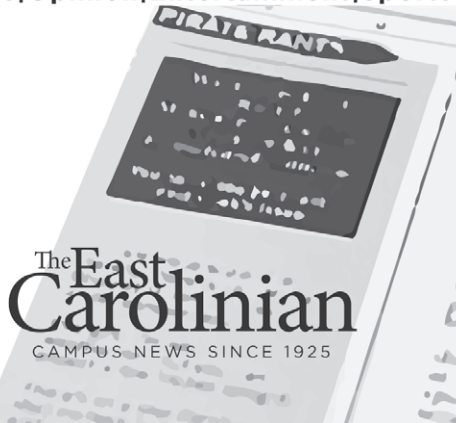
The camp was funded by the North Carolina Space Grant Consortium.

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**PIRATE RANTS**

I just realized that summer classes end this week! Summer school went by sooo fast. Only 25 days to go until the Fall semester starts and we have Pirate Football back again!

The best part of attending ECU is the girls.

I whole-heartedly miss everything.

Everyone complains about Republicans taking blood money to fund their campaigns, and now it turns out the democrats have been profiting from selling unborn baby organs. Makes you wonder which is worse.

Every piece of software needs to have a purpose. If it doesn't have a purpose it is not a piece of software; it is a piece of sh\*\*.

The best source of comedy in the country is the US media.

Women outnumber men. The artificial "pedestalization" of the vagina is the reason why men are getting shafted. Dudes, pay attention to your studies, women are available in droves.

That moment when you learn that the woman your ex cheated on you with is a lying, opioid dope fiend. Priceless.

Sure, when you're married with children, you should absolutely, always be the center of attention and put your priorities first, mom.

I've submitted at least two rants per week, and we still can't get 1/2 of a page filled. Come on fellow Pirates!

I'm so glad our society has moved on from MySpace. I don't think I have 8 friends anymore.

It is best you don't rant about political issues and the media if you can't support your claims. Doing so makes you sound like an ignorant fool. Confirmation bias, look it up. That is why the supporters of either party are both so ignorant and delusional.

Some of the political rants I've been seeing are so ignorant and delusional. Seriously, just stop embarrassing yourselves. It's so pathetic. I have never seen this much ignorance in one area...

The East Carolinian does not endorse statements made in Pirate Rants. Questions regarding rants can be directed to Ryan Clancy at [opinion@theeastcarolinian.com](mailto:opinion@theeastcarolinian.com).

## Our view

# Greenville needs diversity in music

In last week's A&E column "Local venues offer varying experiences," different concert venues in Greenville were reviewed. We appreciate the live music offerings of the area, but we believe that Greenville could better showcase more of a variety of music genres. Many of the uptown bars and clubs offer very few or no concert options. While other college towns often have thriving local music scenes, Greenville's could benefit from more venues that attract artists outside of indie and alternative rock bands.

Over two weeks ago, the music streaming service Spotify released a study showing a 'musical map of the world' after it analyzed the streaming data of almost 20 billion from over 1,000 cities. The results showed that hip-hop is the most listened to genre in the world, according to said data.

Greenville doesn't seem to represent these results. In eastern North Carolina there is a huge demand for hip-hop and country artists, a need Greenville could fill as a live music hub.

The closest area to see a major concert is typically Raleigh, an hour and a half away, and the amphitheater in uptown Greenville could be more ambitious in reaching out to artists that would appeal to a college crowd. These artists would not necessarily have to be big names, just ones that would still appeal to college students.

We as an editorial staff believe that while Greenville has made progress in expanding its music scene, it still has room to diversify its output.

# 'Bland' case hurts police credibility



**Kai Jones**  
TEC COLUMNIST

The Washington Post stirred up social media when they reported that "police have shot and killed people on all but 12 calendar days so far this year." The Post also reported "police officers have shot and killed at least 518 people so far

this year."

The number of bodies killed by police officers is unacceptable. These numbers come after the controversial deaths of Eric Garner, Tamir Rice and now Sandra Bland.

Sandra Bland is the latest of controversial deaths of people of color, and what makes the controversy even worse is the dash cam video of the encounter between Officer Brian Encinia and Bland. The video shows the entire encounter, except the arrest, when things seem to escalate.

From the video that is visible, Encinia had the right to stop her, even though it was a petty failure to signal. He technically had the right to ask her step out of the car, even though the original Supreme Court ruling says that legally the officer must feel in danger and be unable to see what's going on in the car. But in the video, Encinia asked Bland to get out of the car because she would not put out her cigarette, casting doubt on whether he really felt in danger.

The situation gets pretty questionable

**" People of color feel devalued by the justice system because it seems like the police are free to continue killing people of color without consequence "**

*-Kai Jones*

when Encinia says to Bland, "I will light you up," when Bland refuses to get out of the car. Statements like that exemplify the problem with police and the perception of the police.

The police to minorities have always seemed to be the enemy. Hip-hop often tells the story of this. In 1988, controversial rap group NWA made a song called "F-k The Police." Recently Vince Staples had his friend Haneef Talib offer his take on police brutality on Staple's debut album "Summertime '06."

"Speaking on the unjust way the justice system is justifying crimes against our kind," said Talib. "Justice is supposed to be blind, but continue to cross color lines."

People of color feel devalued by the justice system because it seems like the police are free to continue killing people of color without consequence. Garner's killer was not

charged with murder despite using an illegal chokehold. Rice's killer was also not charged, despite killing a 12-year-old boy who was only playing with an Airsoft replica.

Both of these officers were brought to grand juries, but were not charged, a fact not lost on Talib.

"These realities drift and appear to inform black boys and men of the dangers outside their doors," said Talib. "Slain in society by sworn protector. Protected by their peers, grand juries full of friends. No charges brought against them. They kill and arrest us, transgress and oppress us."

Many people of color feel that when they deal with the police, the officer can act illegally and never be caught, because the police aren't policed or held to a standard. According to [scotusblog.com](http://scotusblog.com), a Supreme Court ruling even states that a police officer's reasonable mistake of law can justify a traffic stop under the Fourth Amendment. It is essential that police officers know the law, and the Supreme Court's justification of policing errors is unfortunate and further damages police credibility.

It now seems like it's open season for police officers, and the officers have no fear in being the judge, jury and subsequently the executioners.

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# Varied candidates good for GOP



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TEC COLUMNIST

For Republican presidential hopefuls, the all-important Iowa caucuses are just under seven months away. These past few months have been packed with big named Republicans throwing their hats into the ring, preparing for a long battle for the White House.

Observers of politics are thrilled to see the superstar-loaded field assembling their teams and readying for battle, but the sheer amount of candidates can't make any moderate conservative pulling for a GOP victory comfortable. With a field this packed, the Republican Party finds itself in danger of a party dividing battle. Still, a group of people with ideas this diverse could actually be just what the Republicans need to defeat Hillary Clinton and the Democrats.

One of the major problems facing the GOP in recent years is the extremely conservative Tea Party. While their ideas appeal to many, moderate voters simply aren't willing to vote for a candidate labeled as extreme, and they certainly won't vote for Donald Trump. With so many Tea Party candidates in the mix, last election's Republican candidate, Mitt Romney, was forced to sell himself as more conservative than he truly was to simply win the GOP's nomination. That hurt his image in the eyes of the nation, which quickly labeled him a "flip-flopper". This time around, while the Ted Cruz's of the world still are powerfully represented, there is an equal pull from centrists calling themselves Republicans.

Chris Christie, the governor of New Jersey, is one of these candidates. Christie is a conservative in terms of spending. The governor cut spend-

ing and worked to shrink the size of government, one of the GOP's major principles. Still, on social issues that often drive voters away from the party, Christie finds himself very much moderate. Unlike Cruz and Texas governor Rick Perry, Christie isn't vehemently against gay marriage or abortion. His silence will balance the Tea Party's screeches on those issues.

The pull to the left offered by Christie should allow a moderate conservative like Jeb Bush to run his campaign honestly. Bush won't need to appeal to the far right, because compared to Christie he's as conservative as they come. This will dispel the flip-flopping problem Mitt Romney had when he tried to slide back to the center after winning the republican nomination.

Also helpful for moderate conservatives is the sheer amount of Tea Party candidates. Ted Cruz and Rand Paul are bound to take each other down because they are so similar in views. Tea Partiers will be torn between them, Wisconsin governor Scott Walker, Ben Carson and Rick Perry. Moderates, meanwhile, will all likely flock to Bush, his market far less flooded.

Republicans know that this election will go far in deciding the future of the party. Taking a crushing loss in 2012 made the party reconsider some of its views, and a fracture between moderate conservatives and tea partiers seems imminent. This crop of candidates will allow the GOP to nominate a candidate strong enough to win back the White House without drifting too far to the right.

Tyler Kelbaugh is a rising senior majoring in communication and a TEC columnist. To contact him, email [opinion@theeastcarolinian.com](mailto:opinion@theeastcarolinian.com).

## Poll results

Should there be a frisbee golf course at Tar River Park?

**Yes-51.9%**

**No- 48.1%**

## Poll question

Did police properly handle the Sandra Bland situation?

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# Arts & Entertainment

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## 10 UPCOMING EVENTS PLAN TO GO:

- 1 Uptown Umbrella Market  
Five Points Plaza  
July 29, 5 p.m.

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- 2 Play: "Godspell"  
Magnolia Arts Center  
July 31, 7:30 p.m.

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- 3 Concert: "The Fritz"  
Crossbones Tavern  
July 31, 10:30 p.m.

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- 4 National Night Out Street Food Festival  
Five Points Plaza  
Aug. 4, 5 p.m.

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- 5 Concert: "Slingshot Dakota"  
Crave  
Aug. 6, 7 p.m.

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- 6 Once in a Blue Moon  
Block Party  
Uptown District  
Aug. 7, 5 p.m.

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- 7 Concert: "Lipbone Redding"  
Crave  
Aug. 7, 7 p.m.

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- 8 Concert: "Spare Change"  
Tavern on 4th Street  
Aug. 14, TBA

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- 9 Concert: "Assembly Required"  
Crossbones Tavern  
Aug. 15, 9 p.m.

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- 10 Concert: "William Seymour"  
Winslow's Tavern  
Aug. 15, 9 p.m.



Villa Verde, a popular Caribbean food truck in Greenville, will be one of many trucks represented at the food festival on August 4. WEB PHOTO | FACEBOOK

## Food festival arrives in Greenville for third year

Carlyn Legg  
TEC STAFF

Food, friends and community are what National Night Out is all about, and Uptown Greenville has partnered with the Greenville Police department to promote safety within the Greenville community for a third annual event.

Uptown has been reaching out to local and regional food truck owners since May to organize this summer's festival and to encourage students, families, and friends to go out to celebrate. The national awareness campaign for police and community partnerships is celebrated on August 4.

Uptown Greenville intern Gabby Khoury has headed this year's event. With local and traveling vendors, Khoury said returning trucks like "Freaky Fresh Food" and "Chirba Chirba" are crowd favorites.

"We have a lot of returning trucks this year, which is exciting because people who come out will want to see their

favorite vendors again," said Khoury. "We have all different kinds of food that will be offered, from mediterranean to veggie burgers, and even wood fired pizza."

Attendees of the National Night Out Street Food Festival will have the opportunity to try new foods with snack foods, dinner options, and even dessert foods available from different vendors.

"There will even be a Coldstone truck serving ice cream and another truck offers New Orleans Beignets," said Khoury.

In partnership with the Greenville Police Department, the Five Points Plaza in the uptown area will provide a safe community environment for the Street Food Festival. The third annual Street Food Festival will be the biggest Greenville has seen with an anticipated audience of 2,000 to 3,000 people.

"We want to hopefully, eventually, expand [the Street Food Festival] to a down-the-street thing, all the way up

Evans Street and into the Uptown Area," said Khoury. "We don't want to have so many trucks that they don't make money, but if we can get to a point where we have a ton of trucks and great turn out, we'd love to have everybody come out and have a good time and make some money."

There will be a live D.J. performing and games are planned for students, families and Greenville residents to play for prizes.

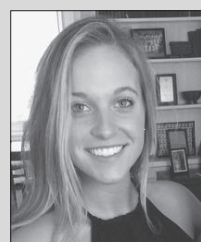
"We'd love to see ECU students come out and see what it's all about," said Khoury. "We want to try and do something like this often - to promote local business and encourage people to participate in safe community events."

National Night Out Food Truck Festival will be held at the Five Points Plaza from 5 to 8 p.m. on Tuesday, August 4.

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## BOOK REVIEW

### Harper Lee returns with 'Go Set a Watchman'



Ashley Federici  
TEC STAFF

The highly-anticipated "Go Set a Watchman," written by Harper Lee (author of the Pulitzer Prize-winning "To Kill A Mockingbird") was published July 14 and became Amazon's most pre-ordered book since "Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows."

Fans of Lee's first novel were anxious to read "Go Set a Watchman," as it is the original draft of "To Kill a Mockingbird" and Lee's first novel in over 50 years.

The story is told from the perspective of a grown-up Jean Louise Finch (or Scout) as she returns from New York to her small hometown of Maycomb, Alabama. When she returns she finds a strong air of racism and bigotry that has her torn between what she feels is right and the people who she loves. Her father, Atticus Finch - a well-respected lawyer - had been pictured as a fair and noble man in "Mockingbird" as

he defended an African American against alleged rape charges.

This is the impression Jean Louise has of her father until she finds a "Black Plague" pamphlet among his things and follows him to a Citizen's Council meeting, where he sits among some of the most racist men in their town. Jean Louise is repulsed by the things she hears at the meeting and spends the rest of the novel grappling with the idea that her father is not the righteous man she had believed him to be.

"Watchman" flashes back and forth from Jean Louise's childhood in Maycomb to the drama happening in the present, creating a vivid sense of what growing up in a small Alabama town is truly like. There is also Jean Louise's on-and-off love affair with her childhood friend, Henry Clinton, and her debate between settling down in Maycomb or continuing her independent life in New York.

The beginning of the novel is very slow and spends a great deal of time building up the characters. Although, about halfway through, it picks up as Jean Louise begins to stand up for her beliefs by confronting the people that

she loves and turning her back on the ways of her town.

Lee does a great job of showing the internal struggle that people had during the civil rights movement of letting go of what they were used to and coming to terms with change. She uses the set of characters to exemplify the different mindsets of that time period.

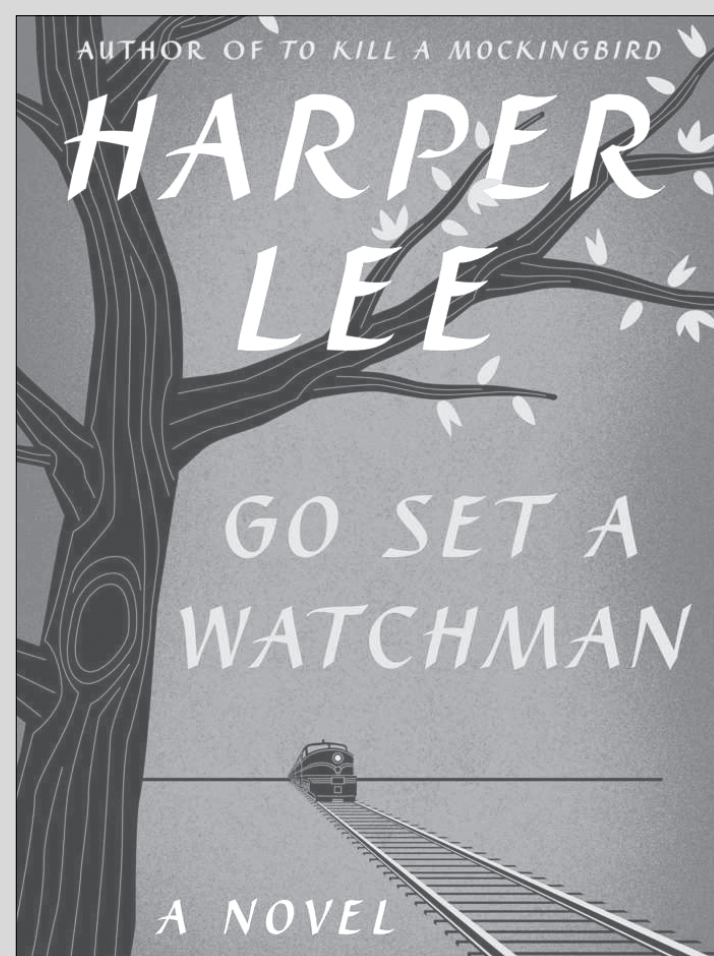
"Watchman" was the original draft of "Mockingbird," and when Lee brought it to the publishers, they requested she write a new draft from the eyes of a young Jean Louise. Without "Mockingbird" being published first, "Watchmen" would not be fully developed, and reading its precursor would make Lee's latest novel more enjoyable.

#### RATING:



3.5 out of 5

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Harper Lee's latest novel is the acclaimed author's first release since 1960. WEB PHOTO | NYMAG.COM

# MOVIE REVIEW

## 'Paper Towns' film lacks book's mystique



**Carlyn Legg**  
TEC STAFF

Actors Nat Wolff and Cara Delevingne (both of Nickelodeon fame) take the world by storm in this weekend's new movie, "Paper Towns," where John Green, author of "The Fault in Our Stars," once again overwhelms audiences with emotion.

The coming-of-age drama doubles as a love story between Quentin (Wolff), whose long-time crush on Margo (Delevingne) turns into an all-night scavenger hunt before she mysteriously disappears, leaving behind a trail for Quentin and his friends.

The equally comical and sentimental story dives into the life of Margo at a rate no audience is prepared for, and as Quentin uncovers details about his crush, he realizes she isn't exactly the girl he thought she was.

When their road trip leads to clue after clue, Quentin and his friends make it their ultimate goal to find the girl of his dreams and bring her back into his life. The journey pushes Quentin to reevaluate the true meaning of friendship - and ultimately love - as the awe-inspiring story of the girl-next-door turns into an emotional roller coaster. "Paper Towns" puts a mysterious twist on a high school love story but leaves Green's readers' expectations behind.

Although some details of the novel aren't practical on a Hollywood screen, others were simply overlooked by screenplay writers Scott Neustadter and Michael H. Weber, who adapted John Green's novel for big screen. For example, in the book Quentin detours the roadtrip to go to every paper town on the east coast, or so it seems, on the journey to find Margo but only one paper town is visited in the film. That alone takes some of the mystery and effect of the story out of the movie adaptation.

Additionally, the movie plays around with the book's seemingly insignificant character, Angela (played by Jaz Sinclair), by bringing her along on the road trip and making her a promiscuous rebel. The only big detail the film misses (that Green makes abundantly clear in the novel) is the possibility that Margo is dead. The anticipation readers have of the real possibility that Margo has died feeds their imagination. Movie-goers, however, miss out on the devastation of that possibility on the big screen.



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Cara Delevingne and Nat Wolff portray Margo and Quentin, the protagonists in the film based on author John Green's 2008 novel.

Finally, with an alternate ending, readers who see the film find they don't get what they expect. The film version of "Paper Towns" is one that has been commercialized for the big screen, and like "The Fault in Our Stars" and so many movies before it, has been changed to fit Hollywood standards instead of sticking to the important details of the book.

The summer release leaves box office predictors at a loss for words - "Paper Towns" made only \$12.6 million in the domestic box office in its opening weekend. With a budget of \$12 million, the film barely broke even, whereas its sister film, "The Fault in Our Stars," had the same budget and

made \$48 million on its opening weekend alone.

### RATING:



3 out of 5

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### Who Owns the "West Bank"?

**The ancient lands of Judea and Samaria, east of Jerusalem, have been part of the Jewish homeland for 3,000 years. Today Arabs demand all of it.**

*Judea and Samaria, the land where Jewish ancestors Abraham, Sarah, Isaac, Rachel, David and Solomon created Biblical history, was renamed the "West Bank" during Jordan's brief, illegal 19-year occupation. Today, some 380,000 Jews own land and live in the territory, yet their rights are denied by Palestinian Arabs.*

**What are the facts?**

Following the collapse of the Ottoman Empire after World War I, the Allied Powers, which were the only parties with the right or power to resolve ownership of vast tracts of the Middle East, allotted to the Jewish people the land west of the Jordan River, including Judea and Samaria. This resolution, made at the San Remo Conference, was effected through the Mandate for Palestine, which was adopted by the League of Nations in 1922 and assumed by the United Nations in 1948. This document, based on "the historical connection of the Jewish people with Palestine," secured "the establishment of the Jewish national home." Nothing since 1922 has changed the legal status of those internationally binding documents.

Much of the land allocated to the Jews, including most of Judea and Samaria, was taken from them by Egypt, Iraq, Jordan and Syria following Israel's War of Independence in 1948, when the Jewish state was attacked by those Arab nations—the latter three of which were also established by the Mandate for Palestine. Jordan illegally seized the "West Bank" and east Jerusalem, and expelled all Jews from these Biblical homelands.

In fact, the territories of Judea and Samaria have never been part of any nation except the Jewish state. In 1967, when it was again attacked by Arab armies, Israel defeated the invaders and recovered the occupied "West Bank" from Jordan. It should be noted that during Jordan's occupation of the "West Bank," no Arab Palestinian movement emerged in favor of independence. Indeed, it wasn't until Israel reclaimed the land and Jews returned to their ancestral home that claims of Jewish "occupation" were raised.

Today, most land in present-day Judea and Samaria is not privately owned, but rather is unsurveyed—without proven ownership. Israel claims about 30% of the public land in the territory. However, the Supreme Court of Israel has ruled that unsurveyed land in Judea and Samaria can be acquired by Arabs who cultivate it consistently. Arabs, through deed and cultivation rights, own about 95% of private land in the territory. Jews, however, are not granted similar rights, so Jewish farming on unsurveyed land does not entitle Jews to private ownership. Nonetheless, Jews own about 5% of all private land in Judea and Samaria.

Israel offers land for peace. Israel has a clear, millennia-old historical claim to Judea and Samaria, and it reacquired the territories defending itself against an aggressive war. In addition, Israel has an irrefutable legal claim to these territories backed by the 96-year-old San Remo Resolution. Nonetheless, recognizing that its claims are disputed by Arab neighbors, the Jewish state has shown uncommon willingness to share the land.

Starting in 1967, following the Six-Day War, Israel has offered to give up almost all the land it controls in the "West Bank"—plus a Palestinian capital in the eastern part of Jerusalem—in exchange for peace. Unfortunately, despite numerous such land-for-peace overtures by Israel, including two most recently in 2000 and 2008, the Arabs have consistently rejected them.

Not only do the Arabs reject any Jewish claims to land in Judea and Samaria, they have also insisted during peace negotiations that the territory be made *judeonon*—free of Jews. Worse, many Palestinian Arabs, such as the terror group Hamas, maintain that the entire land of Palestine—from the Jordan River to the Mediterranean Sea, including all of Israel and the "West Bank"—belongs only to Arabs. Today, official Palestinian maps do not depict the state of Israel.

How will the dispute over Judea and Samaria be resolved? Over Israel's 67 years, it has become a world-class cultural, economic and military power. Its standard of living is among the highest in the Middle East. Clearly the Jewish state is here to stay. Yet despite its strength, Israel has shown willingness to negotiate and exchange land for peace. Sadly, this willingness has not been matched by Palestinian leadership. Until such negotiations are consummated, the "West Bank" will remain in dispute—a no-man's land in which claims of ownership remain cloudy and contested.

*While Israel has clear rights to ownership of Judea and Samaria—also known as the "West Bank"—it has taken a practical position, offering to trade those rights and that land for peace with its Arab neighbors. As of yet, however, tragically, no Palestinian leader has been willing to compromise his people's unrealistic expectation that all of Palestine—from the river to the sea—belongs only to Arabs.*

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# Soccer seeks successful campaign

## Donnenwirth, Lady Pirates look to build off 12-win 2014 season

Allison Jobe  
TEC STAFF

The women's soccer schedule for the 2015 season was announced by Head Coach Rob Donnenwirth as he makes way to his 17th season as a part of the women's soccer program at East Carolina University.

"It takes about two to three years to put the schedule together," Donnenwirth said. "The conference schedule is given to us, but we put together the non-conference schedule. It's gonna be another tough year. We're looking forward to playing the teams, and we have a few that we haven't played in a while."

The Pirates will kick off their first two matches of the season at home at Johnson Soccer Stadium. The opener is scheduled for Friday, Aug. 21, against George Mason. ECU will host Loyola University Chicago two days later.

"We're excited to open up at home - it makes the season easier opening up home. It makes it a little harder, playing before school begins though. Freshmen will be moving in; our marketing team has been helping us. I'm sure we'll get good fan support from the community," Donnenwirth said. "George Mason has a new coach, so I'm sure things will be different from last year. If we're playing at our best, I think we will have better chances."

After playing at home, ECU will take on four away matches. The Pirates will begin at William & Mary on Aug. 28 and George Washington on Aug. 30, ending the road trip at James Madison on Sept. 4 and UNC Greensboro on Sept. 6.

ECU will return home to host three of its final four non-conference matches, starting with Western Carolina on Sept. 11. ECU will leave home to compete against Charlotte on Sept. 13. The Pirates will host UNC Wilmington on Sept. 17 and close the non-conference contests Sept. 20 against Old Dominion.

"William and Mary and James Madison will be two teams to beat," Donnenwirth said. "Wilmington is always a battle when we have to play them. We've played them every year since I've been here - 17 now."

The Pirates will kick off their second year in the American Athletic Conference, after making a semifinal appearance in the American Championship last season. ECU will have road matches at Houston Sept. 24, and SMU Sept. 27.

ECU will return home to host two conference contests against UCF on Oct. 1 and USF on Oct. 4. The team will head to Storrs, Connecticut, to compete in three away matches,



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Lana Spittler (5) dribbles through the midfield against Marshall during her freshman season. She led the team with 8 goals last year.

beginning with UConn on Oct. 8, Temple on Oct. 11, and closing in Cincinnati on Oct. 16. The Pirates will host the final two conference matches at home against Tulsa and Memphis on Oct. 23 and 25.

"As far as conference play goes, Memphis will want some revenge after last year. The team that was very good last year and I think will be even better will be Cincinnati," Donnenwirth said.

"We don't get to play too many turf teams, so it will be fun seeing where certain teams play. This is our first time playing UConn, so we're looking forward to the challenge."

The 2015 American Athletic Conference Champion-

ship will be the first week of November, hosted by SMU in Dallas, Texas.

The Pirates completed their 2014 season with a 12-8-1 overall record and 4-5 mark in conference play. The team has 20 returning players and 10 newcomers.

"We built a really good team last season, even with tough injuries," Donnenwirth said. "Getting the two captains back, and our goalie will be great (after their injuries). We have been recruiting girls for two years or even longer and we're excited that they're here and excited to see what they can do."

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## Pirates in the Minor Leagues

Corey Keenan  
TEC STAFF

With the professional baseball season in full swing, former ECU players are making their mark in the minors and looking to establish themselves in their respective organization.

### Jeff Hoffman

Hoffman was traded from the Toronto Blue Jays to the Colorado Rockies Tuesday. Hoffman, two other pitching prospects and Jose Reyes were sent to the Rockies in exchange for All-Star Troy Tulowitzki.

Hoffman will report to Double-A New Britain for the Rockies. In Double-A New Hampshire, Hoffman threw 11 and two-thirds innings in two starts and allowed two earned runs for a 1.54 ERA. Hoffman, a ninth overall selection by the Blue Jays last season, made his professional debut this season after his year of rest following Tommy John surgery last May.

### Luke Lowery

Lowery finished off a solid junior season at ECU before he was taken in the 14th round of the MLB Draft by the Arizona Diamondbacks. Lowery has proven that he can hit in the rookie leagues while splitting time between catcher, first base and designated hitter.

The 6-foot-2, 220-pound Midlothian, Virginia, native was named a 2015 Pioneer League All-Star earlier this week. He is hitting .327 in 34 games this season with seven home runs and 26 RBIs. He has cut down on his strikeouts as he has 29 compared to 20 walks. A call-up may be in the cards for Lowery shortly.



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Ryan Williams (left) was drafted in 2014. David Lucroy (right) was taken by the Brewers this year.

### Ryan Williams

Williams was selected by the Chicago Cubs in the 10th round of the 2014 Draft and has progressed quickly since the start of his professional career. Since his call-up to Double-A Tennessee, Williams has made eight starts on his way to a 2.72 ERA over 46 and a third innings of work. Williams has kept his strikeouts high (41) and his walks low (11).

### David Lucroy

Like Lowery, Lucroy chose to sign a professional contract over returning for a senior season. The Milwaukee Brewers selected Lucroy in the 20th round - the same organization that his brother Jonathan catches for.

David Lucroy has started his professional career in the Arizona League with the Brewers. He has a 4.88 ERA in nine games (one start)

with 24 innings pitched. He has struck out 15 batters and has issued nine walks. Lucroy has logged a save and has finished two games out of the bullpen.

### Reid Love

After being selected in the 10th round by the Baltimore Orioles this past June, former ECU southpaw Reid Love threw one game in the Gulf Coast League before earning a promotion to the team's Low-Single-A affiliate in Aberdeen, Maryland.

Love has struggled in his first three outings for Aberdeen. The 23-year-old has recorded a 6.08 ERA over 13 and a third innings in three starts. Love has taken the loss in all three of his outings. Despite his shaky start, Love has picked up seven strikeouts and issued three walks.

### Mike Wright

Wright was a 2011 Draft pick by the Orioles and made his MLB debut this season with a spotless seven-inning performance against the Los Angeles Angels and earned the win.

Since then, Wright has bounced between the Orioles and their Triple-A affiliate, Norfolk. Wright has experienced varied success as he holds an 8-0 record with a 2.41 ERA in Norfolk, but a 2-3 record and 5.16 ERA in six starts at the Major League level. Wright is currently on the 40-man roster for the Orioles but may find himself back in the big leagues before September.

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## TAKEAWAYS

### FOOTBALL

Larry Williams was dismissed from the football team for a violation of team rules.

### BASEBALL

Former ECU pitcher Jeff Hoffman was traded from the Blue Jays to Colorado along with Jose Reyes and other prospects for Troy Tulowitzki.

### SOFTBALL

Head coach Courtney Oliver added Matt Nandin as an assistant to complete the signing of her staff.

### MEN'S BASKETBALL

ECU is scheduled to play in the Continental Tires Las Vegas Invitational Nov. 26-27.

### MEN'S GOLF

Wes Conover, Al Dickens and Jacob Hicks were named All-American Scholars last week by the Golf Coaches Association of America.

### MOREHEAD CITY MARLINS

ECU's Luke Bolka is hitting .279 with a .430 slugging percentage this summer.

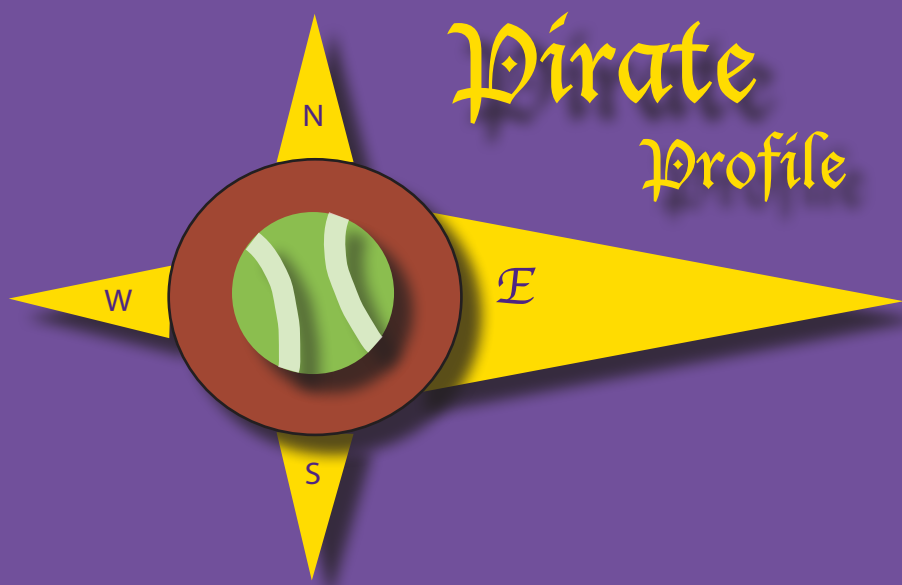
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## >> Kirstin Burgess

# International tennis assistant finds home at ECU

**Kai Jones**  
TEC STAFF

In 2003, East Carolina became home for assistant women's tennis coach and former tennis player Kirstin Burgess.

Burgess came to ECU as a native of Benoni, South Africa. To go out of state for student-athletes can be tough, but to change continents can be even more of a burden.

“It was a pretty big adjustment,” said Burgess on changing continents. “I came from a big city in South Africa — South Johannesburg. But the biggest adjustment for me was food. Things are just so differently cooked here.”

Burgess said she has been told that she's resilient, and that it eased the transition.

“People always say I have this adaptable personality,” said Burgess. “So it doesn't matter where I am, I'm going to have a good time. Culture wise, I didn't struggle at all.”

Burgess said that another big adjustment she had to make was coming to play in America with a team, an experience uncommon in South Africa.

“Tennis is such an individual sport that there is not

really many opportunities to participate in South Africa as a member of a team,” said Burgess. “That was a lot different. I think it was a huge plus actually.”

Burgess posted a career singles record of 60-48 as a singles player and a doubles record of 77-31. Burgess' best season came as a senior where she earned 17 singles wins. Paired with Gillie Bailey, Burgess earned a 15-4 record in doubles. According to ECU records, the tandem of Bailey and Burgess rose to a national standing of No. 48 in the FILA Collegiate Tennis Rankings — a first for an ECU doubles team in the modern era.

Burgess was clearly a better doubles player than singles player; she said that she plays doubles best because she learned how to play it with her mom.

“That's (playing doubles) really how I learned, playing doubles with my mother growing up,” said Burgess. “In doubles, you can hide your weaknesses.”

Burgess always knew she wanted to be a teacher, but she thought it would be in a high school in South Africa. But she figured out that despite her education degree in America,

she'd have to redo the process of getting her teaching degree in South Africa. She said she wanted to help develop players from a young age.

Between being a player at ECU and becoming an assistant coach, Burgess learned how strong the Pirate family is when she took a job at a law firm. She was hired by now-lawyer and former women's tennis player at ECU, Meredith Hinton, who she never even played with. Burgess said that ECU's former athletes and students really look out for each other.

“The old adage is ‘it's not what you know, it's who you know’ when you're looking for a job,” said Burgess. “I think that could not ring anymore true to the fact where one of the girls that graduated (from) ECU on the tennis team in 2011 is now working for that same law firm.”

Burgess said the women's tennis program is taking a step in the right direction and the American Athletic Conference will really help the program because of the better competition, and that her and head coach Tom Morris are working hard.

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# Sophomore O-lineman dismissed from program

Staff Report



Larry Williams

Redshirt sophomore offensive lineman Larry Williams was dismissed on Tuesday from East Carolina's football program.

Coach Ruffin McNeill announced that the dismissal was because of undisclosed team rule violations.

“It is always disappointing when someone is dismissed from the program, but there comes a time when an individual's actions force the loss of a privilege, which in this case is being a part of our team,” McNeill said. “We all have the responsibility of being accountable.”

Williams is a Wilmington native and came

to the program and redshirted as a freshman in 2013. In high school, Williams was a two-way starter as a sophomore, junior and senior.

In Williams' redshirt freshman year, he played in all 13 games as mostly a special teams player.

The 6-foot-4 331-pound lineman was expected to compete for playing time and potentially a starting job for his sophomore season. Williams was slated to be the starting right guard leaving spring camp. Coaches spoke highly of the potential seen in the rising redshirt sophomore.

He was highly touted for his strength as well. Williams recorded a program-high 27 reps on the 225 bench press. He also recorded 27.5 inch vertical jump and a 5.14 40-yard dash time.

Williams is the fifth player dismissed from the football team in 2015.

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