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ECU, Greenville prepare for hurricane

Kandice Scarberry
FOR THE EAST CAROLINIAN

Greenville and East Carolina University are taking actions to ensure the safety of the city and the university from Hurricane Joaquin that is estimated to hit the coast of North Carolina sometime this weekend.

ECU's Continuity and Emergency Planner Lauren Gunter, said

her team has been in contact with many operations to prepare for the growing threat of a hurricane.

"We have taken many steps to ensure student safety," Gunter said. Many of these safety precautions include sandbags and flood gates getting installed to protect the buildings, any construction equipment left is secured, and the sewage drains are being cleared out so flooding is

as minimal as possible Gunter said.

Hurricane Joaquin, a category two, is currently hitting the Bahamas, and many tracks have it making its way along the East Coast. It is still possible for the hurricane to take a different course, but, as the days pass, it is becoming more likely it will hit the coast.

A plan has also been put in place for flood-prone places such

as the College Hill and Minges Coliseum parking lots.

"Those parking lots will be evacuated Friday afternoon and moved to a different location," said Gunter.

ECU police are also keeping watch on the Green Mill River and the Tar River in case flooding occurs.

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Check out our Hurricane Joaquin tracker at theeastcarolinian.com

Greenville rated eighth worst city to be hospitalized

Collyn Sheaffer
TEC STAFF

A report by 24/7 Wall Street has Greenville ranked as one of the "ten cities where you don't want to get sick." Greenville was ranked eighth on the list.

The website graded Greenville's healthcare system with a D- and reported the area's hospital received the second lowest safety score of any U.S. city hospital system. The site said the hospital safety scores measure the safety of the hospital's procedures and processes as well as the patient outcomes.

The readmission rate in Greenville was particularly high compared to other hospitals, according to 24-7, at 17.2 percent. This rate is a full two percentage points higher than the national rate and one of the highest rates in the nation.

"However, certain departments do not fare as poorly," 24-7 Wall Street's website said. "Greenville hospital had the fifth lowest heart attack mortality rate, better than some of the best hospitals in the country."

More findings through this study included a 12.8 percent of hospital admissions that results in death within 30 days which is 1.3 percentage points higher than the national hospital mortality rate.

Christine Mackey, spokesperson for Vidant Health, said the hospital and staff are aware of the report.

Vidant released a statement that said, "We are aware of the 24/7 Wall St. report. Vidant Health is committed to providing safe, high-quality care to the people of eastern North Carolina. We use rigorous methods to collect, measure and analyze safety and quality data. Transparency, patient and family centered care, and engagement of leaders, physicians and staff are core strategies in this work. We are relentless in identifying opportunities for continuous improvement and implementing practices to achieve the very best outcomes for patients and families. We remain steadfast in our goal to achieve exceptional experiences for the people we serve."

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MICHAEL SEEGARS | THE EAST CAROLINIAN

Jenny Betz, Luke Davis, Alex Prunka and Nicole Cort (left to right) sit at the roundtable in the SGA offices at Mendenhall Student Center.

SGA awaits student approval for restructured constitution

Seth Gullede
TEC STAFF

Following the unanimous approval of the Senate, a new constitution making several fundamental changes to the Student Government Association is currently awaiting student ratification.

The new constitution will restructure the current three-branch system into a one-branch hybrid parliamentarian system.

The system will be organized into a large student assembly, the president and vice president being elected separately, but still serving as nonvoting members of the assembly. Certain roles that currently exist will be included, such as the attorney general and secretary, but will be elected by the Student Assembly or appointed by the president.

The rest of of the Student Body will be separated into committees, with executive directors appointed by the president heading each committee.

The change came after a American Student Government Association review revealed a number of flaws and loopholes within the current constitution and governing by-laws.

SGA Attorney General Nicole Cort said they were aware of the issues, and the original had simply been amended too many times to fit the needs of ECU for it to function properly.

"There was not much correspondence in between the two," said Cort. "The constitution would say one thing and the by-laws would say another thing, and that would leave room for a lot of interpretation, which is never good."

Both President Mark Matulewicz and Cort said the reasoning behind combining the branches into this assembly is to increase coherence within the SGA, encourage more cooperation between members and to create a blank slate on which to rebuild a system that will

complement the university.

Matulewicz said the most important reason for changing to this system was to encourage SGA members to work more closely together as a whole instead of in individual branches.

"The most important part for this constitution is that all of the student government representatives are working together as a whole," said Matulewicz. "With the new branch, it's constructed so that students are working together to achieve other goals and collaborating ideas."

The proposed constitution was drafted this summer by Cort, alongside the Constitution Review Committee, composed of several members of the SGA including Matulewicz. The constitution was also reviewed by ECU administrators, including Kristen Bonatz, the associate university attorney and Associate Vice

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CNN analyst lectures on national security

Javeria Salman
FOR THE EAST CAROLINIAN

CNN National Security Analyst Peter Bergen broke down many misconceptions of Americans and national security during the premiere lecture of this year's Voyages of Discovery Series to a packed crowd at ECU's Wright Auditorium.

Dr. William Downs, dean of Thomas Harriot College of Arts and Sciences, introduced the guest speaker and the topic for the evening, "Making Sense in a World of Trouble."

Bergen began his lecture by telling the story of Samir Khan, an American student from Charlotte that founded the first English language website sympathetic to Al-Qaeda and later, in partnership with radical cleric Anwar al-Awlaki, created the first English language magazine for jihadists called Inspire. Bergen said both Khan and al-Awlaki were both American citizens who grew up just like any other American but they had become radicalized.

He said this story shows a few concerns, mainly that, contrary to what most people believe, Americans have played a role in



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CNN analyst Peter Bergen speaks in front of students in Wright Auditorium on Tuesday night.

these groups.

Bergen's main points of discussion included the role of the internet in radicalizing people throughout the world, America's response to terrorism, the rise of The Islamic State (ISIS) and what can be done about it, the issues currently facing the Arab world,

Afghanistan and the domestic situation at home regarding terrorism.

Bergen discussed the rise of ISIS and why it has been such a successful terrorist organization. He said ISIS's appearance is related to [the United States] invasion of Iraq in 2003. He also said that ISIS isn't a new group that

just suddenly emerged in Iraq, but rather it is a group that died down in 2008 and has come back under this new name of ISIS.

Bergen said there are a few main reasons as to why ISIS made a resurgence. He said ISIS took advantage of the Syrian civil war in 2011 and started re-grouping in Syria. Many of the people that lead ISIS were officers in Saddam Hussein's army and knew how to lead a war.

In addition, Bergen said ISIS for the most part, functions like a proper nation, providing social services to the citizens.

"They have taken advantage of social media in a way no other group has in history," said Bergen.

Bergen also said there are a few things that Americans can do to stop the effects of ISIS such as limiting their reach on social media sites like Twitter, emphasizing defection, keeping up a military campaign against them, support for Muslim clerics in this country who are discouraging young Americans to join ISIS and bringing awareness to the fact that most of ISIS's victims are Muslims.

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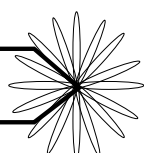
Trial study researches heart medication

Systolic Blood Pressure Intervention Trial (SPRINT), a new clinical trial involving East Carolina University's Brody School of Medicine, shows that a more aggressive use of medications can actually improve one's cardiovascular outcomes.

Sponsored by the National Institute of Health, SPRINT includes more than 9,300 participants ages 50 and older who have high blood pressure and an increased risk of heart or kidney disease. Approximately 250 of these participants are receiving care at East Carolina University's Brody School of Medicine.

The initial findings of the trial demonstrate that when one receives a larger treatment, it reduces the rate of heart attacks, strokes, and heart failure by a third – and the risk of death by almost 25 percent.

ONLINE



Athletes & Activists join student groups

Brody grant aims to prepare students

Mayoral candidate seeks aid for poor

Hurricane Joaquin Tracker

*Corrections/
Clarifications*

The Girls Pint Out fundraiser is tonight at 6:30 p.m.

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Chancellor Erik Kneubuehl.

In addition to restructuring the branches, the constitution will change the election system by implementing run-off elections and two-person tickets.

The new system will allow only candidates vying for the president and vice president positions to run together, and positions previously included on tickets, secretary and treasurer, will be elected by the Student Assembly.

The new runoff election system dictates that a ticket must receive a majority vote to win, constituted as at least 50 percent plus one vote, or the election will be extended between the two tickets that received the most votes.

Cort said these decisions were based on hopes



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SGA President Mark Matulewicz speaks at a meeting this year.

to encourage candidates to run on platforms that better reflect their personal characters and ideas, rather than form platforms that reflect the common ideas of larger groups.

Cort said student interest played a factor in the decision, and said they hope the smaller tickets and simplified government will encourage students to take a larger

interest in future elections.

Though the constitution has been approved by the SGA Senate and administration, it cannot become active until it is approved by at least five percent of the student body, which Cort said amounts to around 1,500 votes.

Cort said they are concerned with accumulating enough votes, citing last

year's Homecoming elections, in which barely 1,000 students participated. Voting will begin on Monday, Oct. 5, at 8 a.m. and end on Wednesday, Oct. 7, at 5 p.m.

In order to encourage student interest, the SGA has partnered with Homecoming king and queen voting. Students can cast their votes for the constitution and the Homecoming king and queen on their Onestop during the polling times.

Cort said if ratified, the new constitution will serve as a skeletal structure, and multiple by-laws will still be necessary to make the structure complementing to ECU. She said if the constitution does not receive enough votes, it will go back to the Senate for another vote and be proposed again before the elections in February.

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"[Bergen] is very opinionated on how to solve problems with regards to ISIS," said Alyssa Coleman, freshman English and biology major. "I could tell he knew what he was talking about."

Bergen said ISIS is a symptom of the regional sectarian civil wars that have engulfed Iraq, Syria, Yemen and Libya. He said the massive refugee influx in Europe right now is another sign of the chaos surrounding the Middle East at the moment.

Bergen also touched on the current situation in Afghanistan and what the U.S.'s role is in the country. He said there are many things that can be criticized about in Afghanistan but there have been positive changes in the country now that it is out of Taliban control.

Bergen said U.S.'s project in Afghanistan has been an overall success and disagrees with President Obama that U.S. should pull out all troops from the country.

Towards the end of the evening,

Bergen discussed the domestic situation and asked the audience a rhetorical question about safety in the post-9/11 world.

"The big question is 14 years after 9/11, are we safer?" said Bergen.

The answer, Bergen said, is yes. He said the U.S. is considerably safer, pointing out that the U.S.'s watch-list process is much more thorough now, the FBI has become more of a gathering intelligence organization than before, and the establishment of the Transportation Security Administration (TSA), the Department of Homeland Security and National Counterterrorism Center (NCTC).

According to Bergen, the biggest change is the increase of public knowledge on terrorism.

"On 9/11, there was no public knowledge that terrorism was an issue," said Bergen.

Bergen said the U.S. has been very successful in managing terrorism in this country and we have built defensive measures that make the U.S. a very tough target.

However, Bergen said we do face a small problem from homegrown terror-

ists. Not just jihadi terrorists, but also extreme racists and anti-government militants.

"The likelihood of you being killed by a terrorist, is extraordinarily low," said Bergen. "You are 10 or 15 times more likely to be killed by an enraged dog than an enraged terrorist in the United States."

At the end of the event, Bergen took audience questions, many concerning the current Syrian refugee crisis.

"(The lecture) incredibly insightful to someone who is interested in security studies and international studies," said Michael Joy, senior double majoring in political science and economics. "I asked him about the refugee crisis because I've heard some negative connotations so I wanted to get his perspective. To have someone of his experience share his thoughts on the subject was very valuable."

Downs said Bergen gave an excellent account of the topic on national security.

"He gave us a tour of critical events up to 2015," said Downs. "He has a masterful command of the region and the people."

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PIRATE RANTS

8chan > 4chan

Instead of new student center, how about an updated library that can seat more people. Isn't education supposed to come first?

Girls, even though cooler weather is coming if you could still wear short shorts that'd be great.

To the cute boy who handed me a free sample cup at Dowdy, I wanted your number! Come back!

To the alum complaining about students who complained about printing. Did you go to school when printing cost? No? Then Shut Up!

Who remembers the Great Earring-in-the-Bed Controversy that unfolded in Pirate Rants several years ago? Good times?

Apparently, we all need to go over the lesson again. Singular male: alumnus. Singular female: alumna. Plural female: alumnae. Plural collective: alumni.

If you're so concerned about grammar nazis, quit making stupid errors that you're no doubt also making elsewhere, where it matters.

What do you do when your non-native English speaking professor has an accent you cannot overcome? I want to go to another professor in the small department but I do not want my instructor to find out due to fear of academic repercussions from the offence this course of action is likely to incur.

Pirate sluttiness has taken to a whole new level this year. It's embarrassing and degrading, and it does nothing to help the school's reputation.

I have a feeling that the people that want to change the name of Aycock aren't the ones that are able to donate to make it happen

Sure hope Democratic Socialism isn't anything like National Socialism.

I'll be graduating in December, and I have yet to have sex in the stacks of Joyner Library. Makes me feel like my college career is incomplete...

The East Carolinian does not endorse statements made in Pirate Rants. Questions regarding rants can be directed to Kai Jones at opinion@theeastcarolinian.com.

Poll results

Should we provide aid to Syria?

Yes- 53.8%

No- 46.2%

Poll question

Will you vote for the new SGA constitution?

Visit theeastcarolinian.com to vote.

Our view

BOT's Heritage Hall plan needs execution

The East Carolina University Board of Trustees discussed its plans to change the name of Aycock Residence Hall last Friday. Steve Jones, chairman of the Board of Trustees, crafted a motion that the board raise \$300,000 in pledges by Dec. 1 towards the creation of Heritage Hall and the transition of the residence hall's name during the break between semesters.

We, as an editorial staff, believe that the intention to raise \$300,000 by Dec. 1 to begin the Heritage Hall process is noble and attainable, if it is acted upon. However until this decision, the board has willingly delayed the transitioning process time and time again, concerning itself with unimportant details that are unrelated to stripping the name from the hall.

In order to achieve this goal, the board needs to be vigilant

and proactive in its fundraising efforts and not prolong the process any further. The board did not waste time in coming to a decision about the concept of Heritage Hall, as well as agreeing to unname Aycock Hall. However, it has failed to make any quick decisions since the day they announced plans for the changes and has repeatedly created bureaucratic barriers to its ultimate goal.

We agree that the board made a bold and positive decision in February, and for that they should be commended. However failure to complete the task in a timely manner detracts from any message that the decision would otherwise suggest. Their hesitance to complete the task creates a negative image that could ultimately deflate the Student Body's opinion and trust in the Board of Trustees.

Letters to the editor

Dark matter not a dangerous matter

Your editorial of Sept. 24 has some amusing moments but your readers may not understand that we not only cannot create dark matter, but we cannot even detect it at present. That of course is why it is called dark matter.

Only the gravitational effects of dark matter are presently clear in such matters as our galaxy's rotational behavior as we move from the center to the edge. This detection problem is what the CERN scientists are addressing. Harnessing dark matter for

energy then lies far into the future - if ever.

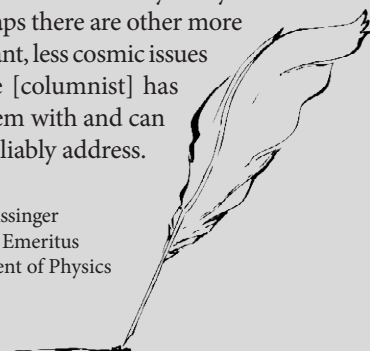
Here on Earth, we are literally bathing in an all-pervading dark matter as our solar system moves in our Milky Way galaxy and our galaxy moves through our universe. This stuff is everywhere and has been for a very long time.

Is dark matter dangerous? If - whatever dark matter is - it passes right through the body without interacting, then it is every bit as unthreatening as the 400 billion neutrinos from just our sun passing through every

square inch of our body every second.

Perhaps there are other more important, less cosmic issues that the [columnist] has a problem with and can more reliably address.

George Bissinger
Professor Emeritus
Department of Physics



Scientific illiteracy the true concern



Edson Justiniano
GUEST COLUMNIST

In its opinion page on Tuesday, September 29, 2015, The East Carolinian published a column entitled "CERN research

cause for concern" by its columnist Joseph Perez. My first message is to restore calm to our community; you can go back to your busy lives - the fundamental research done at CERN will not bring about the end of the world, not tomorrow, next month, or ever. The only thing that their research may help destroy is our ignorance about the Universe in which we live, and this is a good thing!

Many times I like to fantasize how the world appeared to the first members of our species as they evolved some 200,000 to 100,000 years ago and then started to spread out and colonize our planet starting some 60,000 years ago. At that time, nights were really dark (no light pollution) the air was really clear (no air pollution) and I picture the night sky must have been nothing short of awesome. I wonder how that individual reacted to such an experience. Perhaps it was a feeling of wonder, of curiosity running wild, creating the same rush of excitement that we experience today in laboratories large and small, when Nature reveals another of her secrets to us. Most likely, unfortunately, my putative individual was overtaken by a sense of great fear.

The fear of the unknown, the fear of the unexplained, the fear of the ultimate bogeyman. Today, we are still subject to this dichotomy - genuinely appreciating the scientific and technological gains we made in these millennia while being paralyzed by the fear of all that we don't understand. The lesson from our own experience as a species is that to keep on going, to escape our natural fear of the unknown, we must continuously work towards replacing ignorance with knowledge.

I don't fault the TEC columnist for his ignorance regarding dark matter and dark energy. Nobody is born omniscient, and these are patently difficult concepts that the physics community is far from fully describing. I am disappointed, however, that Mr. Perez did not try to learn more about these subjects before writing his column - after all, as a member of our university community, Mr. Perez should, at this point in his studies, know better. As educated citizens we must remain committed to continuously seeking new knowledge. To this end we must exploit the opportunities offered to us to enrich our intellects. Just a couple of weeks ago, on September 11, the Department of Physics hosted Prof. Adrienne Erickcek from UNC-CH who presented a colloquium on her research on dark matter. Anyone attending that colloquium have learned that our universe is composed of, roughly speaking, 26% dark matter and 70% dark energy. Everything that we can see or

touch comprises a minuscule 4% of the universe. Further, he or she would have learned that a considerable number of specialists in the field agree that all dark "stuff" was produced less than 0.08 seconds after the Big Bang. In other words, our universe has been mainly composed of dark "stuff" for the past 13.8 billion years and is still going strong. The sky has not fallen yet, and it will certainly not do so because of any experiment done at CERN. Of course, in subjects such as this, another option available to our community is simply to ask any of us in the Department of Physics faculty. We are always thrilled to explain what the facts are in anything dealing with physics including, of course, the dark "stuff" business. Either way, learning the true facts, is a fantastic antidote, capable to dispel anyone's fears of pending planetary annihilation.

The research being carried out at CERN, to the extent that it addresses the issues of dark matter and dark energy, is directed towards finding experimental evidence of the existence of supersymmetric elementary particles. Supersymmetry is a theory that provides an alternative to the unified theory of electromagnetic, weak, and strong interactions known as the Standard Model. Supersymmetry would, for example, be a requirement to substantiate Prof. Erickcek's model, explaining the dark matter content of the universe. Presently, however, no experimental evidence has been found supporting

the existence of supersymmetric particles, and so the search must proceed. None of the research being carried out at CERN, or anywhere else for that matter, attempts to produce dark matter. The conditions that prevailed in the universe when its dark "stuff" content was formed are prohibitively far from the capabilities of CERN's Large Hadron Collider, the most powerful particle accelerator currently in existence. In fact, it is an instructive exercise to figure out how large a particle accelerator would have to be in order to mimic the conditions under which all dark "stuff" in the universe was produced. The answer is that employing, as one would expect, our very best technology, such an accelerator would have to be one and a half times the size of our galaxy.

So, let us go on living our lives without the fear of this modern day bogeyman. Remembering always that dark "stuff" makes up 96% of all there is. We live immersed in it; it is part of us. Our universe was like this much before there were atoms, or stars, or galaxies, or us, and will continue to be like this for a long time to come. The only possible outcome of this research, as indeed of any scientific research, is to replace our ignorance with new knowledge - producing the light that chases away the darkness of our fears.

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'Trongone' performs at Crossbones

Nneka Walson
FOR THE EAST CAROLINIAN

Tonight at Crossbones Tavern, The Trongone Band will bring their rock 'n' roll and soul vibe to the Uptown District.

The band formed originally as a family with the Trongone brothers and their father, John Sr. Soon after, keyboardist Ben White and bassist Todd Harrington joined the group. They made a name for themselves in nearby cities and sold out shows in Blacksburg and Harrisonburg, Virginia.

The Trongone Band consists of four members, Andrew Trongone, Johnny Trongone, White (Wolfe), and Harrington. Along with being vocalists, they play instruments such as the guitar, drums, keyboard and bass guitar. The genre of music the band plays is rock 'n' roll combined with soul.

The band is touring along the East Coast, performing in cities such as Charlotte, North Carolina, Washington D.C., Baltimore, and various cities in Virginia.

Owner of Crossbones Tavern, Mark Munoz said he and his staff are ready for the band to come after a month of preparation. According to Munoz, more than 50 people are expected to be there, along with multiple confirmed Facebook attendants.

"This will be the first time they play here at Crossbones," said Munoz. "We have live music every weekend, generally on Friday and Saturday nights. We rarely do Thursday shows unless we know we can get a pretty decent band."

Although Crossbones Tavern is a restaurant at heart, tables and chairs are moved to create a dance floor for people to crowd around the front of the stage.

"High energy, funk, and a lot of fun really gets the crowd working," said Munoz. "It's just really high energy."

The restaurant's crowd includes various types.

"We definitely have a mixture of locals, people from out of town, people that come



Band members Steve Blasko, Gabriel Pettit and Scott Koempel perform at the United We Rock Festival, and will perform at Crossbones on Saturday.

Mostley Crue rocks Uptown

Carlyn Legg
TEC STAFF

This weekend the Rock and Country Bash returns to Greenville with a live music day festival which will feature Mostley Crue, a tribute band to Motley Crue.

Out of Raleigh, North Carolina, the band started about nine years ago. Although none of the four band members are full-time musicians, they all thoroughly cherish their opportunity to perform in the band.

"I always wanted to be a singer," said Gabriel Pettit, vocalist of Mostley Crue. "It never really developed as a full-time thing, but that love of music never went away. This group allows me to get out and get onstage and get my performing fix and do what I love doing."

Covering Motley Crue songs from their popular hits to seldom recognized songs from their early albums, the band enjoys belting

out a variety of rock tunes. This weekend the band will perform a multitude of Motley Crue covers that they revel in playing.

"Crowd response is my favorite part of the whole thing," said Pettit. "There's something about being on stage doing stuff that other people really enjoy watching and when a crowd gets into a performance there's a certain energy that you feed off of and it's something that becomes addicting and it's why people get up and do this. It's just a lot of fun."

Their favorite songs to perform aren't the commercialized over-played on the radio Motley Crue songs that most people think about when they hear the band's name. Pettit prefers to sing the songs that few people recognize, but can delight in.

"One of my all-time favorite songs to play is called 'Sick Love Song' and I don't think anyone's ever heard it," said Pettit. "We get really good responses off of

it when we play it. It's just a fun tune."

Since they are a tribute band, Mostley Crue will perform Motley Crue songs, but that doesn't limit the quality of their performance or the level of enjoyment they experience as performers.

"All the music we'll be doing is Motley Crue, so we'll be covering their material from early years all the way through the last album," said Pettit. "Since Crue is on their final tour right now, it's kind of a fun thing that we get to continue on where they're leaving off."

Mostley Crue regularly performs bi-weekly events, but doesn't tour on a full time performance schedule. The band mainly performs in the eastern North Carolina region and the triangle area. On performing at the Rock and Country Bash, the band is excited to reach a new audience.

"My agent called and asked if

this was something we would be willing to do, and I was looking through the list of other bands and thinking 'this is gonna be really interesting,'" said Pettit. "You don't typically think about Motley Crue and country together, but there's fans of all different types of music and I consider it an opportunity for a whole new fanbase."

The Rock and Country Bash, referred to as eastern North Carolina's Premier Day Fest, will take place at the Pitt County fairgrounds in Greenville. Included in the music-based celebration is a handful of live bands, bull riding, celebrity meet and greets and food vendors from local and surrounding areas.

The festivities will begin around noon on Saturday and will continue until 9:30 p.m.

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TV REVIEW

'Scream Queens' falters in week two



Altavia Lowery
TEC STAFF

Me an girls make a comeback in FOX's new horror-comedy "Scream Queens."

The season premiered last Tuesday, Sept. 22, and with two episodes complete, the new show is now a trending topic.

As you can guess from the title, there is a lot of screaming, but not in a scary way. This overly dramatic show infuses stereotypical sorority girls with the realities of college life. Discrimination, bullying, sexism, alcoholism and drug abuse are just a few topics that have been brought up so far, but only in a satirical way.

Using subliminal references to popular shows like "How to Get Away with Murder" and the horror film "The Texas Chainsaw Massacre," "Scream Queens" mimics their investigative plots while diminishing the movies' serious tone.

Who is the Red Devil? That is the question "Scream Queens" focuses on answering. The show centers on rich, evil and perfect Chanel Number One (Emma Roberts), the president of Kappa Kappa Tau who likes

her pumpkin spice lattes extra hot with no foam.

Under scrutiny, KKT is forced by the university's dean of students, Munsch (Jamie Lee Curtis), to accept anyone who wants to pledge. Munsch claims that KKT "represents everything that is wrong with youth girls today" and has made it her personal mission to eliminate the charter. Upset by this, Chanel makes it her goal to make the new rushers drop out, even if that means killing them all off.

The show goes back and forth between the year 1995 and the present year 2015. Within the flashback viewers witness the death of a KKT member. Now, on the twentieth anniversary of her death, she possibly returns for revenge.

Grace, a freshman moving into college, is determined to pledge KKT in attempt to follow in her deceased mom's footsteps. Grace is amongst five others pledges who are the complete opposite of what KKT wants to represent. Zayday (Keke Palmer) is Grace's roommate and the only black pledge. Tiffany "Deaf Taylor Swift" (Whitney Meyer) is a deaf Taylor Swift obsessed pledge. Hester (Lea Michelle) wears a neck brace, Predatory Lez (Jeanna Han) is a lesbian,



Grace, played by Skyler Samuels, stands in shock after a dramatic scene.

and Jennifer (Breezy Eslin) is a candle video blogger. Immediately thrown into the evils of KKT, the six pledges are eventually just trying to stay alive while searching for the identity of the Red Devil.

"Scream Queens" properly connects with the collegiate

millennials who are glued to their Twitters and re-tweets anti-bullying campaigns. The horror-comedy is childishly scary so you will not find yourself covering your eyes

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Student stars in 'Las Meninas'

Sunshine Yang
FOR THE EAST CAROLINIAN

France comes to East Carolina University today in the form of a play called, "Las Meninas," where lonely Queen Marie-Therese of Spain faces consequences of a scandalous relationship with her servant.

The play illustrates a historical event concerning the marriage of Princess Marie-Therese of Spain to Louis, the King of France.

During this period, he was known for his countless affairs with other women during their marriage, which causes Queen Marie-Therese to partake a secret affair with her African servant, Nabo.

Anna Higginson, junior double major in professional acting and musical theater, plays the female lead in tonight's show. Although

this was her first year auditioning, she received two callbacks for the roles "Mother Superior" and "Queen Marie-Therese."

"I was terrified. I had never auditioned and gotten a callback for a show," said Higginson. "There was no way I was getting this part. All of these other people are so much better than me and I just didn't think I performed my best during the auditions."

Higginson wanted the female lead because she had felt a connection with the role as soon as she read the script.

"I'm a very dramatic person and the Queen is a very dramatic person and she's gone through a lot of heartbreak," said Higginson. "Last year, I had just gone through a weird breakup too, so I was feeling the same emotional stress that she was feeling."

Higginson believes this is her chance to really shine, especially since she can relate to her character on a personal level.

Although many actors were given only a short amount of time to learn their lines, Higginson was lucky to have more than enough time to memorize her lines.

"Normally we have only two weeks to memorize our lines, which would be really stressful," said Higginson. "But I had the summer to memorize the show."

Higginson said before performing onstage, she has to overcome insecurities.

"When you're given a blessing like this, you don't have a choice but to do it. You have to do your best," said Higginson.

Higginson looks forward to her first big opening.

"It's very humorous. It's funny. I mean, there's a giant penis onstage for an entire scene so if that doesn't bring ECU students in, I don't know what will," said Higginson.

According to Higginson, the feelings acted onstage are so real and relatable to the audience that she thinks they can feel the emotions being played out and radiated offstage.

"It's unlike a play that we've ever done at ECU. It's very unique and it's very real," said Higginson. "You feel these character's pain and what they go through and you see the love between Nabo and the Queen. It's a beautiful story and it has the capability of being brilliant."

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Fraternity hosts scholarship pageant

Victoria Schule
FOR THE EAST CAROLINIAN

The Upsilon Zeta chapter of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity will present their first "Fast & Furious: Race to Royalty" Scholarship Pageant at Hendrix Theatre at 2 p.m. on Saturday.

The chapter will crown their first queen to be the new Miss Omega Psi Phi. The five contestants are in the race to royalty for a chance to not only be queen in the pageant, but also to be awarded a scholarship.

The contestants, Yakira Hairston, Eliza Monroe, Nia Tilbert, Kyla Francis, and Amber Warford each raised money for the scholarship through different platforms for the pageant.

"Each girl has a different platform and what they want to promote in the community," said Najee Brown, the pageant event planner and senior public relations major.

The girls raised money for the scholarship in the pageant through their platforms.

"Most of the girls tried to reach out to younger generations by doing workshops and activities with different age groups," said Brown. "Some of the girl's platforms are geared towards the ECU community."

Brown said the pageant will be a first for the fraternity and is supposed to be a big event for the chapter.

Brown said they chose the movie theme because it is unique and relevant to their chapter.

"The chapter is really big on cars," she said. "They love their cars so it kind of goes along with what they stand for as men."

During the pageant, each beauty contestant will undergo a series of events in the contest which will determine who will be queen. Like many other pageants, there will be an introduction of the contestants, a swimsuit category, formal gown section, talent section and a fishbowl question.

"We have contestants dancing and singing, while a couple are doing spoken word," said Brown. "They get the chance to show the judges they really are dedicated and really want to be apart of the organization."

The judges panel will consist of alumni and old fraternity members along with some ECU female faculty members.

The beauty queen wins the scholarship while the runner-ups will win smaller scholarships.

"The scholarship money will go towards books and tuition for the spring semester," said Brown.

There will be three crowns given and three smaller certificates. The three crowns awarded are Miss Omega Psi Phi, Miss Upsilon Zeta, and Miss Purple and Gold. The three smaller certificate are Miss Scholarship, Miss Congeniality and Miss Viewers Choice. Miss Scholarship is awarded to the con-

testant who raised the most money. Miss Congeniality is voted by the contestants on who they feel deserved the crown and Miss Viewers' choice is based on the audience's votes.

During intermission, the audience will get to see performances from local groups and artists as well as vote for their favorite contestant through a poll via text-message.

According to Brown, the fraternity is hoping to make the Fast & Furious pageant first of many in the future.

"We want everyone to be wowed," she said. "The girls have worked very hard and so have the guys, between helping me and the contestants out with the show. We all put in a lot of work so we want everyone to enjoy the show."

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just to see the band, we've got people that go to East Carolina University, friends, family and alumni," Munoz said. "It's a very good blend and cross of locals and people that are new to the area."

ECU students are looking forward to the performance.

"I've never eaten while listening to music," said Lynn Porcher, junior industrial engineering technology major. "This should be interesting."

Jason McCleary, junior chemistry major, said he saw the event on Facebook and even though he has never been to Crossbones before, it is an event he is interested in.

Jalecia Beatty, sophomore nutrition science major, plans on bringing all of her friends.

"I'm expecting to have a fun night," she said.

The Trongone Band is primarily rock 'n' roll, but that isn't the only genre of music played in the restaurant.

"I know that we try rock 'n' roll, jam bands, jazz, bluegrass, country and R&B," Munoz said. "We definitely are a more diverse venue when it comes to genres of music."

Munoz said his goal for hosting these musicians is to bring back the idea of food and a show in the Uptown Greenville area.

"I think it's taken off really well so we're just gonna keep going," Munoz said. "We are just a cross between good food, good service and good entertainment."

The entrance fee for the night is \$5.

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but an "Eww gross" will suffice.

The show mocks the stereotypes of current life issues but just by watching it you will be afraid to laugh because at the end of the day the topics just aren't funny. With its easy plot, viewers can choose a character they relate best to and can stick with them throughout as long as they don't get killed by the Red Devil. And they probably will die being that four characters have already been murdered and there are now two Red Devils roaming around.

"Scream Queens" makes you wish your sorority was as cool as Kappa Kappa Tau, but then makes you want to change your mind and join a peace group on your school's campus. "Scream Queens" appears to be worth keeping up with every Tuesday on FOX at 8 p.m.

RATING:



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Greenville Recreation & Parks Department is currently recruiting youth basketball referees and scorekeepers for the winter basketball program for boys and girls ages 5-18. Applicants must possess a good knowledge of refereeing, scorekeeping, setting up for practice and games, and ensuring proper care of program and facilities. Hours are between 5:00 PM-9:30 PM Monday-Friday, 8:00 AM-6:00 PM Saturdays, and occasionally some Sunday afternoons. Work hours are flexible based on class schedules. This

program will run from November 16- early March with games being in mid-January. Referees will be paid \$12/game and scorekeepers will be paid \$8.00/hour. For more information, please call 252.329.4550, Monday through Friday between the hours of 12:00 PM-7:00 PM. To apply, please visit www.greenwillenc.gov. Applications will be accepted until Sunday, October 11.

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Complete the grid so each row, column and 3-by-3 box (in bold borders) contains every digit, 1 to 9. For strategies on how to solve Sudoku, visit www.sudoku.org.uk

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Los Angeles Times Daily Crossword Puzzle

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 20 Ash, for example
 21 Rise
 22 ___ Gay
 23 Waikiki wreath
 24 "Green Acres" co-star
 26 "___ We Meet Again": 1940 romance film
 28 2006 skating silver medalist Cohen
 33 Classic sci-fi play
 34 Squeezed (out)
 36 Gossips
 37 "The Wealth of Nations" author Smith
 39 Complaint
 41 Puts on
 42 Muscle cords
 44 Snowman in "Frozen"
 46 1973 Court decision alias
 47 MLB Network analyst Martinez
 48 A/C measure
 49 Take the blame for
 51 What "I" may indicate
 53 Fill the tank
 55 With 61-Across, radar trap question ... and a hint to what can precede each part of the answers to 3-, 6-, 30- and 40-Down
 58 Sticks
 61 See 55-Across
 62 Hunker down for the duration of
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 64 In times past

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 3 Cheaper market option
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 5 Nary ___: no one
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 7 Horrify
 8 Break down, in a way
 9 Exact
 10 Roof extension
 11 Site of the 2000 USS Cole attack
 12 Email
 13 Fla. summer setting
 18 Young hombre
 24 Understand
 25 War hero
 27 Fool
 29 Common link
 30 Protected from violent weather
 31 Ho Chi Minh Mausoleum city
 32 Diamonds, say
 35 Metric wts.
 36 Vocal nod
 38 Marseille sight
 40 Keep at it
 43 Troubles
 45 Style
 48 Lays siege to
 50 Piano piece for four hands
 52 Concise

Tuesday's Puzzle Solved

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Taurus (April 20-May 20) -- Today is a 7 -- Don't waste your money. Figure finances over the next few days. Pay bills before treats. Use your feminine side to diplomatically sidestep a controversy. Don't be intimidated. Ask for what you were promised. Someone important is paying attention.
Gemini (May 21-June 20) -- Today is an 8 -- A hunch could get profitable. You're strong and growing stronger over the next few days.

Get innovative, but don't gamble with the rent. Discover a magnetic attraction. Avoid a conflict of interests. Heed the voice of experience.
Cancer (June 21-July 22) -- Today is a 6 -- Slow things down. Deadlines loom, so leave nonessential tasks for later. Private meditation and review serve you today and tomorrow. Postpone socializing. Study a mystery and discover a secret. Finish your work in private. Keep your wits.
Leo (July 23-Aug. 22) -- Today is a 6 -- Friends come through for you over the next few days. Hold meetings. Make a decision together. Avoid stepping on toes. Don't talk about a party to someone who's not invited. Watch for unexpected changes. Listen. Revise plans.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) -- Today is a 7 -- Crazy dreams seem possible, but breakdown potential is high. Don't try new tricks. Advance your career today and tomorrow. Slow and steady wins the race. Handle responsibilities. Postpone partying. Avoid a grump. Look before leaping.
Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) -- Today is a 6 -- Travel appeals, but it's not without peril. Avoid extravagance. News affects your decisions for the next two days. Study the road ahead. Do the filing. Weigh options. Don't get mad when others remind you to stay on task.
Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) -- Today is a 7 -- Family comes first. Today and tomorrow are good for financial planning. Show your love

for an elder. Avoid doing stuff you know will irritate your partner. Organize paperwork and keep accounts current. Stay objective in a tense situation. Share appreciation.
Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) -- Today is an 8 -- Somebody would like to share your load. Give kind words, not expensive treats. Complications could arise. Compromise is required for the next two days. Guard against overspending or overindulging. Decide together. Dance with the circumstances.
Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) -- Today is a 6 -- Slow down to get things done quicker. Save time by avoiding do-overs. There's plenty of work today and tomorrow. Obstacles merit careful steps. Avoid reacting automatically, and wait on big decisions. Focus on the job

at hand.
Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) -- Today is a 5 -- Go play today and tomorrow. In a stalemate, don't ask for favors. Patience serves you. Don't fall for a trick. A temporary clash between love and money could irritate. The person yelling loudest isn't always right. Get creative.
Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20) -- Today is a 6 -- Wait to advance. Arguments are to be expected. Get feedback from close family and friends first. Get support with differences of opinion. Don't overlook domestic chores. Make your home more comfortable today and tomorrow. Get some time to yourself.
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Pirates set for road matchup with Mustangs

Adam Decker
TEC STAFF

In what looks to be a pattern this season, East Carolina football is set to face another team that utilizes a dual-threat quarterback and multiple 4-2-5 defensive scheme, as the Pirates take on the SMU Mustangs in Dallas, Texas, at 4 p.m. Saturday.

The Pirates (2-2, 0-1 American Athletic Conference) faced similar skill sets in previous matchups versus Florida and Virginia Tech, games they performed well in. The offense has averaged 371.5 yards and 29.5 points in games versus that particular defensive formation.

ECU has yet to face a team that relies as heavily on their quarterback than SMU (1-3, 0-0 AAC) does in Matt Davis.

Through the Mustangs' four games, Davis has combined for 1,330 total yards and 12 touchdowns. He leads SMU with more than 200 rushing yards, averaging 99 yards a game. He has also passed for 933 yards with just two interceptions on the season.

Davis is very reliant on wide receiver Courtland Sutton, as Sutton has been the recipient of five of Davis's six touchdown passes. The redshirt freshman leads SMU receivers by more than 250 yards, averaging 23.5 yards per play and leading the Mustangs in every receiving category.

Even with the spread attack, SMU's offense is extremely balanced, averaging 233 passing yards and 221 rushing yards a game.

ECU's rush defense was under question the past couple of weeks, but look for the Pirate secondary to have to step up this week, as it tries to neutralize SMU's spread out formation.

"[We'll] try to make sure we control the run game, affect the pass, turnovers are

key, and make sure we win third downs," McNeill said. "We are facing a team that can score a lot of points... we have to do a good job on all three sides of the ball."

At first glance, SMU looks to be a weak team, winning only two games since the start of the 2014 season. The Mustangs hired former Clemson offensive coordinator Chad Morris in the offseason, however, and is a much more dangerous team than their 1-3 record indicates.

Two of the Mustangs' losses came against college football powerhouses, TCU and Baylor, both of which are undefeated and ranked among the top five teams nationally.

Their third and most recent loss came at the hands of James Madison in a 48-45 shootout. Despite being an FCS team, JMU is also undefeated and ranked sixth in the nation in FCS polls. All three losses show that the Mustangs are battle-tested.

"They have played some really good offenses so it's kind of tough to tell," ECU offensive coordinator Dave Nichol said. "Baylor and TCU, then James Madison are really good. Once it all washes out, the statistics will start to go the other way."

With that being said, the Mustangs rank last in the conference defensively, allowing 43 points and 603 yards per game. With those poor rankings aside, the Mustangs' defense has recorded seven interceptions on the season, causing concern for ECU as they have averaged two turnovers a game.

The Pirates' depth chart Monday indicated that quarterback Blake Kemp will start over backup James Summers on Saturday, though both are likely to see the field.

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Quarterbacks James Summers (11) and Blake Kemp (10) throw passes in last week's non-conference matchup against the Hokies.

ECU calls on both QBs

Tyler Kelbaugh
TEC STAFF

Dual quarterback offenses are a rare sight across college football, especially among the nation's most elite programs, but East Carolina is going to try to make the system work for the foreseeable future.

According to offensive coordinator Dave Nichol, both Blake Kemp and James Summers will take snaps on Saturdays for as long as the team needs. Still, the Pirates will need to overcome some of the many drawbacks that have

stopped more coaches from trying the system out themselves.

Following Tuesday's practice, Nichol said that he doesn't expect Kemp or Summers to play with the fear of being replaced in mind, a common concern in two quarterback offenses. While performance on the field will ultimately dictate which quarterback plays more, both players feel secure in their role on the team.

"We handle all of that in the meeting room. We've been talking about stuff like that from an attitude and team

standpoint since they've been here," Nichol said. "I told them that nobody has a tight leash or anything like that."

Despite playing the role of superstar last Saturday, Summers said he's more than happy with the size of his current role. He also said he told his team and coaches that all he wants to do is help the team, and that Kemp was helping him achieve that goal.

"What can [defenses] defend? He

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Basketball looks to new season



Pirate guard Lance Tejada dribbles in a game.

Tyler Kelbaugh
TEC STAFF

This Friday, sophomore B.J. Tyson and his teammates will return to the court looking to build off the experience they gained during the Pirates inaugural season in the American Athletic Conference.

East Carolina understandably struggled to find its footing in the deep conference last season, finishing 5-12 in conference play with a 13-19 record overall. Head coach Jeff Lebo's team did, however, manage to post significant wins at home. The Pirates beat both Cincinnati and Memphis, two regulars in the NCAA Tournament.

"We have a chance to be as good as any team that I've had here," Lebo said. "I'm sure there will be a lot of

factors involved in that. We need to get increased play from our inside guys.

As a freshman last season, Tyson seized the spotlight and became the face of ECU basketball. He won the attention of fans with his explosive dunks and dependable scoring before being unanimously named to the AAC all-freshman team. Now in his sophomore season, Tyson said he's excited to take his game to the next level.

"I've been here for a year now and I've learned a lot," Tyson said. "I've been looking at a lot of film on myself from last year to see what I can improve on. The coaches are

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TEC'sports The East Carolinian Sports' experts predict this weekend's football game



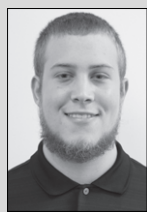
Tyler Kelbaugh
Football writer
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Who Wins? ECU, 45-34
Why? SMU's offense is no joke, but the Pirates have the tools to win a shootout.



Adam Decker
Football writer
@decker2217

Who Wins? ECU, 38-31
Why? The Pirate secondary will step up against SMU's spread and force some turnovers.



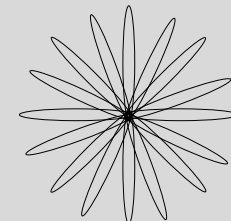
Jesse Deal
Football editor
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Who Wins? ECU, 38-24
Why? The Pirates have momentum coming off a big win, and SMU can't match them offensively.



Brian Wudkwyh
Sports editor
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Who Wins? ECU, 35-28
Why? The Pirates opened up a new dimension of their offense and, I expect them to keep rolling.



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TAKEAWAYS

FOOTBALL

The Pirates (2-2) will travel to Dallas, Texas, to play SMU Saturday at 4 p.m.

MEN'S TENNIS

The Pirates will participate in the Elon Fall Tournament this weekend in Elon, North Carolina.

GOLF

The Pirates will travel to Chapel Hill, North Carolina, for the Tar Heel Intercollegiate on Oct. 3-4.

CROSS COUNTRY

The Pirates are running in the Paul Short Invitational in Lehigh, North Carolina, Friday.

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Pirate sophomore guard B.J. Tyson drives around an opposing defender in a game last season.

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helping me out, especially working on avoiding turnovers.”

Lebo has not decided what players will be on the court when the Pirates host Grambling State on November 13, but Tyson figures to factor into that equation. The sophomore said he wouldn't go so far as to call himself the starting point guard, adding that he's actually been working on playing other positions.

“I have three positions that I'm learning now,” said Tyson. “The point, shooting guard and small forward. There's a lot of expectations on my end, but there's also expectations from my teammates too.”

While the Pirates young core remains in-tact, a few key pieces have moved on over the off-season. Starting point-guard Antonio Robinson graduated, and three-point specialist Terry Whisnant left to pursue a pro-career.

Without those veterans, junior Caleb White will have more weight on his shoulders. White started almost every game for the Pirates in his sophomore campaign, scoring double-digit points 23 times.

“I'm trying to take a different leadership role this season,” White said. “Last year I led by example, being one of the better veteran players. This year I'm trying to lead more with my voice. I can influence other people based not only on how hard I play, but how I communicate on the court.”

Without Whisnant, a lot of the Pirates

three-point scoring will fall on the shoulders of Tyson and White. Lebo said last season that he wanted White to be more aggressive, an approach that the junior is fully embracing this time around.

“[Replacing Whisnant] will be a team effort overall,” said White. “Being one of the better scorers I'll have to be more aggressive with my mindset. They've been trying to get me to do that since I've been here, but now it's definitely what the team needs. It's do or die now.”

The jump from Conference USA to the American was every bit as difficult as Lebo expected. Even though the Pirates now have experience playing in tough road environments, where the Pirates posted a 1-11 record, Lebo doesn't expect conference play to get any easier.

“Our league is really strong. The majority of the league is returning its best players. I've seen several publications that have up to three teams from our league in the top 25. That's more than some of the 'power five' groups. We're right up there.”

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can pass, I can run. He can run too. He ran for a touchdown last weekend,” said Summers. “We work together. We just love it.”

A lot of quarterbacks, like Ohio State's Cardale Jones, don't love the system because they feel it makes it too difficult to get into the rhythm of the game. Kemp said he doesn't find that to be a problem, especially because the guy he's sharing snaps with is so gifted.

“James is a great guy, and some of the plays he made out there made him look like the best athlete on the field,” said Kemp. “With his skills and my skills, we're going to do whatever it takes to win. To me it's exciting.”

Having two different quarterbacks to prepare for game-time makes things a little more challenging for Nichol. Still, he said that employing two quarterbacks gives his offense an edge over unsuspecting defenses.

“I guess maybe surprise is the biggest advantage,” said Nichol. “Surprising the defense is one big thing.”

One of the most impressive components of ECU's execution of the dual quarterback

system was how seamlessly the offense transitioned from Kemp to Summers Saturday. Still, Nichol said that may have been an anomaly.

“You'd love to dial it up like that,” said Nichol, whose offense scored consecutive touchdown drives despite changing quarterbacks. “I doubt it will always go like that. You just kind of go with it. Our players are just kinda like 'oh, he's in? okay, let's go.' That's just how they are, they're good teammates.”

Kemp said that, as a competitor, it was difficult to stand on the sidelines for the final three quarters of the Virginia Tech game, though he enjoyed watching the show Summers put on.

“Who wouldn't want to be out there every play?,” said Summers, echoing Kemp's sentiment. “But I know there's a good guy in Kemp out there playing ball. There's a fierce competitor there, so I can take my seat sometimes.”

At the beginning of the season, head coach Ruffin McNeill told his players that every position's starting job is up for grabs if somebody earns it. While the three touchdowns Summers posted on Saturday would seem

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Women's golf claims tournament crown

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The East Carolina women's golf team took home the Lady Pirate Intercollegiate championship after recording a three-round total of 27 over-par, 891.

The tournament was hosted by ECU and held at Brook Valley Country Club in Greenville over the weekend and ECU faced several strong teams.



Lisa Pettersson

Head coach Kevin Williams said he knew Old Dominion would be ECU's toughest competition in the field, but felt depth was a big advantage for ECU.

"I felt like we are deeper than they are. I felt like our five were better than their five, plus being at home I think that helped us a lot," Williams said.

Three top-10 performances and a strong finish in the third round by sophomore Lisa Pettersson and senior Nicoline Engstroem Skaug led the Pirates to a seven stroke win over the second place finisher Old Dominion, which shot 34 over-par 898.

ECU was led by Pettersson and Skaug who finished tied for second after each shot 4-over par 220 for the tournament.

Pettersson and Skaug were only three shots behind the tournament's individual champion, William & Mary's Alessandra Liu, who finished with a 1-over par 217.

Frida Gustafsson Spang recorder her 14th career top-10

“ They wanted to make sure that we keep the focus. ”

-Kevin Williams

finish, finishing tied for seventh, with an 8-over par 224.

Freshmen Catherine Ashworth and Kate Law each competed in their second tournaments at ECU. Ashworth finished just outside of the top-10, tied for 14, with an 11-over par 227, while Law finished tied for 43rd with a 24-over par 240.

Lane Gakeler competed in the tournament as an individual and finished tied for 84 with a 49-over par 269.

Williams was pleased with his team's patience, as they had to deal with inclement weather and a challenging course.

"We played three very good rounds of golf and I was very pleased with how well we played and handled windy conditions, off and on rain, a wet golf course and tough greens," he said.

The team dealt with steady rain throughout the tournament, which made good shots much harder to come by. Williams said his team did well handling the wet conditions and not letting it affect their play or their confidence.

"I think they were accepting a bad shot if they hit one because of the wet conditions," Williams said, "They didn't let themselves get down. They blamed it on the wet conditions and said I'll hit the next one better."

Playing on such a difficult course left members of other

teams visibly frustrated, but ECU, playing at home, was much more relaxed. Williams said that relaxed play helped the team play well throughout the tournament and helped lead to their first place finish.

"They were at peace with the fact that it's a hard course. They told themselves 'I'm just going to be willing to accept whatever my score is today' and because of that they didn't beat themselves up mentally," Williams said.

The win was ECU's first championship at the Lady Pirate Intercollegiate since three-straight first place finishes from 2000-2002. Last season, ECU won its first tournament of the season, but then struggled in the second tournament, so avoiding a letdown this season was a focus for the team.

Williams said his team was very focused for the entire tournament and wanted to build off of their success in the first tournament of the season.

"Last year we won at Minnesota and the next week we played awful and they remembered that. They wanted to make sure that we keep the focus," Williams said.

Winning the tournament was an accomplishment in itself but the momentum gained from the success could prove to be an integral part of the team moving forward.

"I told them afterwards, regardless of whether you got a trophy or not, the thing you take from this is that we played three really good rounds of golf and everybody contributed to that," Williams said.

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