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Cougars crush Pirates

Three-point shooting lifts Houston past ECU

Chase Carroll
TEC STAFF

You could hear a pin drop in Minges Coliseum after the Houston Cougars hit their seventh 3-pointer in seven tries and the momentum never shifted the Pirates' way as the Cougars cruised to a 74-58 victory.

Houston (13-4, 4-1 American Athletic Conference) came into the game No. 2 in the AAC and No. 34 in the nation in 3-point field goal percentage at 39.5 percent and it was evident in its win over the Pirates. ECU had no answer for the Cougars as they shot 13-for-23 from behind the arc. The loss marked the fourth in a row for ECU (9-9, 1-4 AAC).

"Boy, did they shoot it well," said ECU head coach Jeff Lebo. "That was as good of a start of a game as I have seen in a long time. Their guard play was outstanding, that's the strength of their team, and when they shoot it like that they are tough to beat."

Although there was no true scorer for the Pirates, center Andre Washington was a dominant force for ECU, as he made all four of his field goal attempts and went to the line seven times, converting on four. He ended the game with 12 points and 11 rebounds, earning him his third double-double of the season.

"[Washington] played well, he rebounded the ball well," said Lebo. "It was a tough game for him. They played small, but he did a good job tonight rebounding the ball well for us, scoring the ball well for us around the rim, and he shot it a little better at the foul line, so that was a good sign."

The Pirates will have little time to regroup their composure, as they will face the No. 22 Cincinnati Bearcats Sunday at home. Lebo knows getting his team back on track will not come easy against a tough opponent.

"We're going to do what we always do, we are going to work hard, prepare our team like we always do. We are always prepared," Lebo said. "Our guys are working hard, they are shooting at game speed. It's in their head now. It's easy to see that."

Junior guard B.J. Tyson, the team's leading scorer, went down in the second half after an alley-oop dunk, apparently injuring his left knee after landing. Though Lebo didn't speculate on a potential return for Tyson, he was seen using crutches after being helped off the court.

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Andre Washington takes a shot with defenders in his face in a 74-58 loss to Houston.

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Alpha Sig to host tribute for late brother

Rebecca Sefter
TEC STAFF

The brothers of Alpha Sigma Phi will present the first annual "Jam Out for Josh" Sunday at Pantana Bob's in downtown Greenville to honor the late brother Josh Whitlock, who passed away from heroin overdose in July 2016.

"Our brother, Josh Whitlock, who was actually my big [brother] in the fraternity, overdosed this summer," fraternity brother Kevin Kuhl, a friend of Whitlock, said. "So, me and another brother, Jonathan Cook, said, 'We need to do something for this, let people know the consequences of drugs and [promote] drug awareness.'"

The event will begin at 10 p.m. Sunday and will benefit recovering drug addicts seeking to be admitted to the Wilmington Recovery houses. Proceeds from the night will go directly towards funding a scholarship in Josh's name. Linda Whitlock, mother of Josh, will be aiding in the selection process of scholarship recipients.

"Drug rehab is extremely expensive," Kuhl said. "Not everyone has \$120 [a week] they can spend to get well, and this is a moderately priced [facility]. Linda, being a licensed psychiatrist, asked around a lot of places in Wilmington and used her contacts to figure out which place would benefit the most."

Candidates for the scholarship will be referred to Ms. Whitlock and will reach out to her either via mail or interview. An ideal candidate is one who aims to combat his or her addiction, but may not have the financial means to do so. Funds will go directly to Wilmington Recovery, in the name of the recipient.

Sunday's event will include a performance from popular beach music band, The Embers, along with various speakers. Josh's mother and sister will also be present at the event.

"People can go and hear live music, socialize, have a couple drinks and enjoy themselves," Kuhl said. "There will be a couple speakers that will say what we're doing and what this is all about, and give a brief overview of Josh's history."

Although monetary contributions are greatly appreciated, Kuhl stressed the importance of making people aware of the consequences of

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Remembering the life of Rebecca Fay

EDITORS NOTE This submission was sent by Douglas K. Schneider

During the semester break the Department of Accounting, the College of Business and East Carolina University lost one of our most accomplished and respected faculty members. On December 30, 2016, Dr. Rebecca Fay was involved in an auto accident in Roanoke, Virginia while she and her family were visiting friends for the holidays.

While Dr. Fay's two young children and husband escaped the accident with minor injuries, Dr. Fay suffered serious injuries. After being rushed to a nearby hospital she was put on life support. When the doctors determined there was no hope for a recovery, life support was removed on Monday, January 2nd and Dr. Fay officially passed away on that date.

Dr. Fay joined the faculty at ECU in 2011 after earning her PhD in accounting at Virginia Tech. She previously earned bachelor's and master's degrees at Liberty University and was also a CPA in the state of North Carolina. She soon became a popular instructor in the classroom receiving positive feedback from the students in her classes. In 2015 Dr. Fay was

awarded ECU's Scholar-Teacher Award for the creative manner in which she integrated her research into the classroom to enrich the students' experience. Upon learning of Dr. Fay's passing numerous former students expressed their sorrow and loss. One student shared: "I cannot believe such a sweet soul was taken so early. The accounting department just won't be the same. She was such a great professor who really enjoyed seeing her students excel." Another student stated: "I am extending my heartfelt condolences at this time as I remember Dr. Fay. She was such a great person and always took her students' situations into consideration before assigning any projects. She always had great tips for interviews and genuinely cared about her students' futures." One additional former student expressed: "She was a wonderful professor and such a valuable asset to the accounting department. The joy she had for teaching combined with the kindness she showed to everyone really made her stand out." Similar comments were received from other former students of Dr. Fay's.

Becky, as she was known to the faculty, was equally popular among her colleagues and was always friendly, polite and

professional and never had an unkind word towards anyone. Becky served as President of Beta Gamma Sigma, the honor society for the College of Business, thereby providing students the opportunity to receive the academic recognition they deserve. The last two years Dr. Fay served as one of the faculty advisors to Beta Alpha Psi, the honor society for accounting majors, and brought innovation to the administration of the chapter.

Though her career was cut short, Becky still established an exemplary publication record in her field, having published in well-recognized accounting journals, including Journal of Accountancy, Issues in Accounting Education, the CPA Journal, Managerial Auditing Journal, Current Issues in Auditing, and Research in Accounting Regulation. She also made numerous presentations of her research at the American Accounting Association Audit Midyear meeting and annual conferences.

At the August 2016 Annual Meeting of the American Accounting Association in New York City, Becky was recognized on stage for co-authoring the Best Paper Award in Issues in Accounting Education, a highly respected journal. All of her

colleagues at ECU were proud to see Becky receive national recognition. The Dean of the College of Business, Dr. Stan Eakins, spoke of the loss of Dr. Fay's to the College: "There are simply no

words to describe our sense of loss and our sympathy for her family. In addition to being a delightful colleague and friend, she was a rising star in the college. She will be tremendously missed."

Devoted to her family, friends, profession and community, Becky was remembered at a funeral service in Lynchburg, Virginia on Saturday January 7. A memorial service will be held at 6:00 pm on Sunday, January 15th at Christ Presbyterian Church in Winterville, North Carolina.

She is survived by her husband Patrick who works for ECU as the Marketing and Communications Manager for Enrollment Services, and her two young children, Erin and Wilson. Though her life was far too brief, Dr. Fay will live on in the memory of her family and friends and her many former students and colleagues.

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BRIEFS

Office for Equity and Diversity to host MLK Celebration

East Carolina University's Office for Equity and Diversity will host the annual MLK Celebration in Wright Auditorium next Thursday at 7 p.m. Titled "Building Community in an Hour of Chaos," author Dr. Marc Lamont Hill will headline the event as the keynote speaker.

CORRECTIONS & CLARIFICATIONS

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'Operation Janus' cracks down on gang violence

Melissa Glen
TEC STAFF

Greenville Police Department arrested 61 individuals in a round up known as "Operation Janus" last week, as part of an initiative to limit gang violence in the city.

"Operations such as this one are vital in maintaining the safety of our neighborhoods. I would like to thank all of our local, state and federal partners for helping make this operation a success. Your efforts have helped make a safer start to the year possible," said Greenville Police Chief Mark Holtzman in a news

release regarding the round up.

The three-day operation started on Jan. 3 and zeroed in on anyone with outstanding warrants and drug or gang related violations.

By working with United States Marshals Service, North Carolina State Bureau of Investigation, Pitt County's Sheriff's Office, NC Department of Public Safety, and the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms, GPD serviced more than 400 warrants.

Kristen Hunter, GPD's public

information officer, said in an email interview the operation was not only about preventing future gang violence, but also about reducing drug traffic in certain areas which will in effect help relieve some of the gang activity.

"While some people may question whether the operation focused on real crime, the fact of the matter is that there is a direct link between drugs and many of the gang-related and violent crimes in our community, including shootings, robberies and home

invasions," said Hunter.

Just this operation alone resulted in the seizure of five guns, as well as \$96,194 in drugs and \$8,100 in revenue.

Hunter said this is not the first operation the department has done regarding this issue, and it is common for GPD to work with outside law enforcement agencies to do these kinds of operations, especially around the holiday season.

Along with the 61 individuals who were taken into GPD's custody, there are still around 19 fugitives the department is looking for in relation to the operation.

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drug use. "For Josh's family, people learning about drug awareness and what they can do to prevent somebody spiraling down as fast as Josh did, I think that means more to them than actually raising money," Kuhl said. "If one person can leave the event and save somebody's life, then everything means so much more."

Kuhl spoke of how his religion kept him afloat during the loss of a close friend.

"[I prayed] about Josh, and even though he died, for his mom and family," Kuhl said. "There's too much ungodly things going on in the world, and I think that if people turn their focus to God, the world would be a much better place. I'd like to think [Josh] is looking down, watching over us."

Tickets will be sold for \$10 in advance or at the door. ECU's Alpha Sigma Phi is also selling

PLAN TO GO

» **WHO:** Alpha Sigma Phi's Jam Out for Josh

» **WHERE:** Pantana Bob's

» **WHEN:** Sunday Jan. 15, at 10 p.m.

individual and group tickets as well as event t-shirts on its Facebook page.

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PIRATE RANTS

The East Carolinian does not endorse statements made in Pirate Rants.

#LockUpBergdahl

Cat Cora does know that ECU is in North Carolina? Right? #HB2

Hindsight is 2020. #StillSanders. Something tells me Pirates still #FeelTheBern

So...it seems like somebody is filing the swamp up..not draining it.

Don't you wish the person who parks that big pickup in the flood lot would learn how to park between the lines?

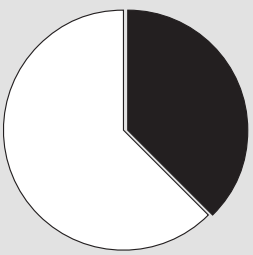
This is the sh****st school newspaper out there. 3 highschool students could slap together a higher quality and more informative newspaper

Questions regarding Pirate Rants can be directed to Seth Gulledge at opinion@theeastcarolinian.com.

ANSWER

Did you benefit from ECU cancelling classes two days early?

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NO - 37.5%



QUESTION

Do you plan to participate in community service for Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day?

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Our view

Honoring MLK Day, those who made history

As Martin Luther King, Jr. Day approaches, we as a staff are reflecting on what the holiday means.

This week, America is preparing for its first ever African American president to leave office. We feel that it is appropriate that the end of President Obama's time in office coincides with this important national holiday.

The purpose of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day is to celebrate everything that King stood for and the legacy that he left. King's impact was revolutionary and his work paved the way for America to grow into what it is today. King's work made it possible for an African-American to become president of the United States.

As president Obama leaves office on Jan. 20,

America will be witness to the end of one era and the birth of another. In the spirit of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, we as a staff hope that this change is met with the same peacefulness and unconditional love that King surrounded himself with.

King dedicated his life to equality for all and making sure that America became the country that President Obama could lead. As he leaves office, we as a staff think that everyone should keep this in mind.

In the memory of Martin Luther King, Jr., we believe his memory should be honored through service and dedication to our community both on the holiday and everyday.

Serve community with TEC



Seth Gulledge
EDITOR IN CHIEF

Thank you. To our readers, to our supporters, to our fans and to our critics, to all of the members of our community, I'd like to say thank you. For organizations you staffed, for the charities you ran, for the jobs you tirelessly worked, you have my sincere gratitude. As a part of our local community, these deeds, and the hundreds like them, serve as the lifeblood of our common bond, represent our commitment to our fellow citizens and the shared love for our city.

As students of East Carolina University, we seek to discover the ways in which we can grow, the careers that will allow us to prosper, but while doing this, many more look to avenues in which we can serve our university, our fellow students and the community around us.

For each student these avenues may vary,

some even find purpose within many, but whether be student government, Greek life, non-profit charities or student interest group, the purpose largely remains the same, to unite, or share and to serve.

At The East Carolinian, we believe our service lies in offering a diverse set of voices to our student body and in exposing our community to the events and lives that characterize the environment around us. Through this we hope to empower, to educate and to promote discourse, all in purpose for the development of our community. We believe that only by presenting the truth, naked and without bias, can true discourse be created. We believe that only through the discovery of the stories and deeds throughout our community, both laudable and condemnable, can we serve to unite.

I'd like to invite you to join us in such service. Our staff is composed of a group as diverse as the community we serve, from all beliefs and creeds, political affiliation and

academic disciplines, we are united only in dedication to discovery, dissemination and service. To those who share these goals, I'd like to invite you to our newsroom Tuesday night at 5 or Wednesday afternoon at 3 to tryout for our staff. Please feel free to email me with any questions.

In a time of increasing divisiveness, mistrust and misinformation, the importance of student journalism has never been so vital. At a time in which the political climate demands of you a choice of two narratives, the necessity for more voices, more narratives, and more clarity is unquestionable. To those who serve in other ways throughout our community, I thank you again, and ask only that you continue to participate in our community, and continue to share with us your stories and your voices.

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Looking forward to the future



Connor Wilkins
GUEST COLUMNIST

We have a serious problem in America, and it has nothing to do with race, but everything to do with people.

I told myself over and over that I wasn't going to write about such a controversial topic, but sometimes you have to do things that you really don't want to do. With the election of Donald Trump still fresh in our minds, it only seemed fitting to address the issue that has divided us the most over the past couple of years; relations between certain groups in America. Please, take the time to read the rest of this piece before you jump to any conclusions.

Even before this election cycle, there was a clear dividing line between certain communities that left me wondering, "why can't we just all get along?" Movements sprouted all over the place advocating for the success of certain races and ethnicities. Black Lives Matter took root all

over the country, arguing that African-American people were being "systematically targeted" and "oppressed" just because they were black. The deaths of Trayvon Martin, Michael Brown and Eric Garner affirmed their position, and in turn riots and protests occurred. Whether you support the Black Lives Matter movement or not is irrelevant but rioting and protesting is not the way to go about getting your voice heard if you have something to say.

On the other hand, the fact that Donald Trump got elected dug the rivets of division in this country even deeper. The rhetoric he used during his campaign scared many different groups of people. African-Americans, Muslims, Latinos and members of the LGBTQ community all were concerned for their safety. I am in no place to say whether their concerns are valid or not but I can say that I am confused as to why some white people are so willing to just brush these concerns off like nothing has happened. They are humans that live in America just like us, so they deserve the respect to have their voices heard.

I guess what I have been trying to say this whole time is that we need to respect each other. We live in the 21st century, the discrimination that occurred in this country is in the past, and every other civilized country in the rest of the world has had to deal with it at some point.

It's time for all of us to look towards the future, to new beginnings, to a place where everyone lives in harmony and people aren't scared for their well-being or being accused of oppressing someone because of the color of their skin. If you are a police officer, if you wear a hijab, if you have just moved here from Mexico or if you just got married to your partner, love one another and stop the hate because it gets us nowhere. Let's mend the divisions, because let's not forget, we are "One Nation Under God, with Liberty and Justice for all."

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TUNE IN



EVERYDAY





TODAY

Mixer Night
Dickinson Avenue
Public House
5:30-8 p.m.

FRIDAY

Applewhite Invitational Exhibit Opening
City Art Gallery
6-8 p.m.

African American Music Series - Vaughn Ambrose and Mitch Butler
Emerge Gallery and Art Center
7-10 p.m.

The Nitrogen Tone with Barefoot Monty
Crossbones Tavern
10 p.m.-1 a.m.

SATURDAY

Create-Your-Own Diffuser Bracelet and Intention Setting Workshop
YogiVibes Studio
2-4 p.m.

Spiritual Junkies Trunk Show
Wright Auditorium
2 p.m.

Noche Latina 3
Villa Verde
10 p.m.-2 a.m.

The Dick Richards with The Goblins
Crossbones Tavern
10:30 p.m.-1 a.m.

SUNDAY

Lipbone One-Human Orchestra
Christy's Euro Pub
12-3 p.m.

Natal Chart Readings
The Sojourner Whole Earth Provisions
1-4 p.m.

Brand New Beginner Yoga Workshop
YogiVibes
3-5 p.m.

Seventh annual multimedia show

City Art Gallery to host art inspired by southern poetry Friday

Andy Li
TEC STAFF

Tobacco farms, pastoral woods and laborers sweating under the Piedmont sun collide with swirling galaxies, planets and gleaming stars in a new art gallery inspired by the poetry of Dr. James Applewhite.



James Applewhite

It's hard to find, but Applewhite sees the link between the American south and the heavens and on Jan. 13, the City Art Gallery will showcase the work of artists who are inspired by his vision.

Applewhite is a retired creative writing professor from Duke University and a member of the North Carolina Literary Hall of Fame. City Art Gallery will be hosting its seventh annual multimedia show featuring pieces inspired by two of Applewhite's poems.

"He has a flavor," Torrey Stroud, owner of City Art Gallery, said, "because he grew up in this area in Greene County, of what it's like grow up here in eastern North Carolina."

Applewhite's poems are heavily inspired by life in the south as well as his passion for the cosmos. This, on paper and through words, is where the connection between the two seemingly different concepts meet. And as a result, an inspiration was found not just in Stroud, but in other artists as well.

"There are words and images that are so vivid that come to mind when you're reading these poems," Stroud said. "I think the artists have really enjoyed reading them then reflecting on it and trying to incorporate that in some image because they are so vivid."

Jordan Parah, one of the gallery associates, graduated from ECU in 2015 with a master's of fine arts in sculpture and a minor in art history. Parah uses metal to create abstract sculptures.



Spectators view artwork at a previous Applewhite Invitational Exhibit. All artwork is inspired by poetry. COURTESY OF BLOG.ECU.EDU

PLAN TO GO

WHAT: Applewhite Invitational Exhibit Opening

WHEN: Tomorrow at 6 p.m.

WHERE: City Art Gallery

"For this show, we interpreted the poem, of course," Parah said. "I chose the poem called 'Thinking With Clouds.' And it talks about kind of the mystery of nature and the mystery of clouds."

Parah uses her work to emphasize equality, creating every shape to be harmonious with every other one. She found Applewhite's poems to work perfectly with her own artistic nature.

"It was easy to work with these poems because they were very nature based," Parah said. "That is something that normally inspires me in my daily work."

Parah is not the only ECU alum to showcase her art in City Art Gallery and Stroud is proud of that.

"We want to work with ECU in any way we can," Stroud said. "And many of the artists that participate in this show are graduates from ECU or affiliated with ECU in some way."

The 2017 Applewhite show will run from Jan. 13 to Feb. 10. More information can be found at www.cityartgreenville.com.

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MOVIE REVIEW

NASA 'Hidden Figures' highlighted in new film



Arvanna Smart
TEC STAFF

When describing a movie like "Hidden Figures," one might be inclined to use words like inspiring, empowering and warm-hearted.

"Hidden Figures" is a movie based on the nonfiction book by Margot Lee Shetterly and tells NASA's untold stories following Katherine Johnson, Dorothy Vaughan and Mary Jackson. These three overlooked black females were human computers who did the calculations necessary for rocket launches and flight paths and helped put John Glenn into orbit.

Johnson, played by Taraji P. Henson, is a brilliant mathematician who's recruited to help calculate and check the work of the numbers for Project Mercury. She's faced with a standoffish superior who resents that his work needs to be checked, an office of co-workers who are terrified when she grabs a cup of coffee from their pot, and a demanding boss.

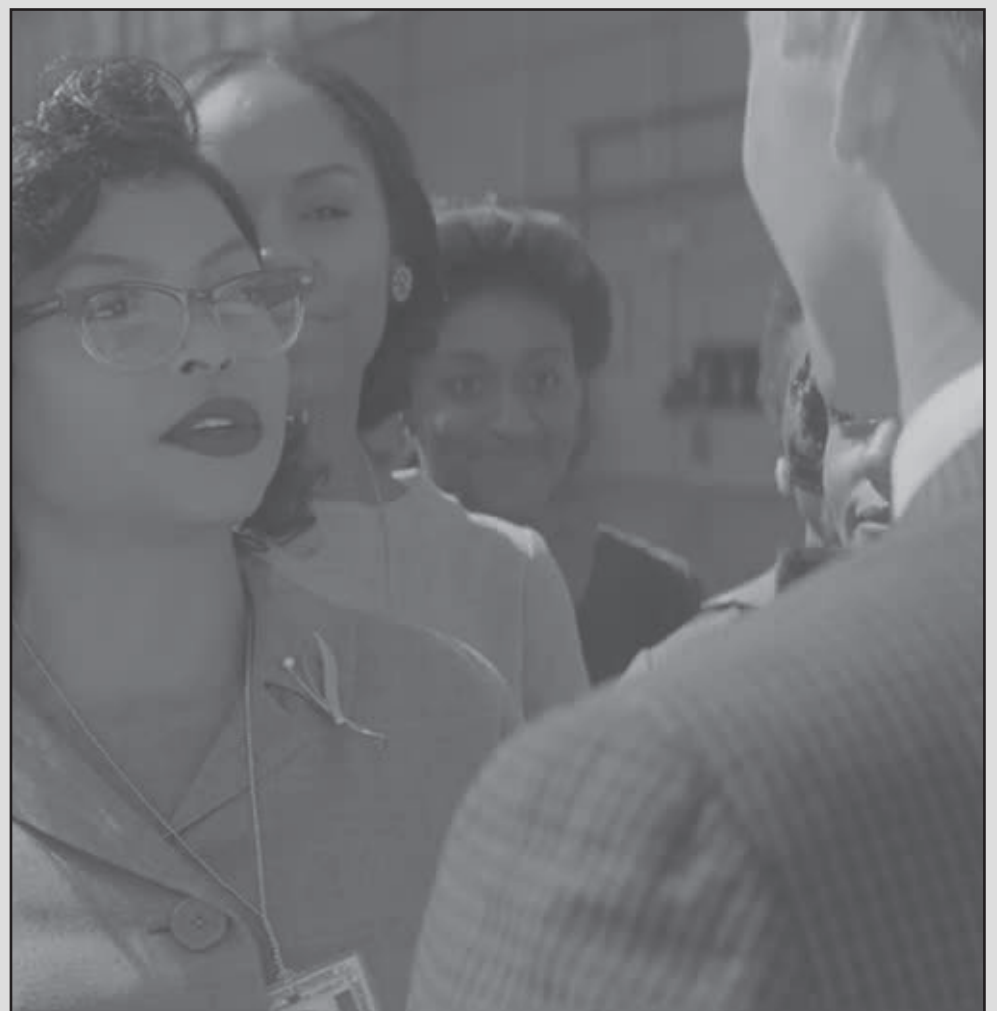
In a notable scene, on top of the already tense working conditions in the office, Johnson has to travel half a mile just to use the bathroom because there is no colored-only restroom in the new building she is placed in. This is the scene where Henson successfully brings Johnson to life. She doesn't miss a beat when relating to the character.

The rest of the plot keeps viewers engaged as the director grasps the time period beautifully through the costumes, scenery and mini storylines. At one point in the story, Johnson's co-worker must also take the long route to use the bathroom. This is executed so well that the struggles of Johnson can be felt through the actions of the coworker.

While Johnson's story is front and center, her co-workers Vaughan, played by Octavia Spencer, and Jackson, played by Janelle Monae, are right there with her as they too face their own barriers.

Vaughan is essentially doing the work of a supervisor without the title or pay. She teaches herself and the other girls in the program how to work on the new IBM computers so that the women will not be without jobs.

Jackson wants to become an engineer, but has to go to court to take the classes she needs to make it possible since the high school that



Katherine Johnson, played by Taraji P. Henson, faces Civil Rights challenges in "Hidden Figures." COURTESY OF MEDIA-IMDB.COM

the classes are offered at is a white-only school.

Monae's portrayal of Jackson is a highlight of the movie as she takes over the screen in nearly every scene she appears in. She takes on the role as a determined and motivated young woman who won't let anything in her way of completing her dreams. Viewers can see the relation that Monae has with her character which makes the movie even more relatable.

While the film only shows small hints of the Civil Rights Movement, it focuses more on what Johnson, Vaughan and Jackson faced in and out of the office. This separated "Hidden Figures" from other similar movies about African Americans persevering during the Civil Rights Era.

The movie can be somewhat predictable at times. The viewers can already assume

how the end of the movie will turn out, but the acting, plot and realism of the film invite viewers to stay hooked. "Hidden Figures" leaves the feeling of women empowerment, determination and perseverance as the viewer is forced to go through the daily struggles and triumphs of three strong, smart African-American women in a predominantly white male industry.

RATING:

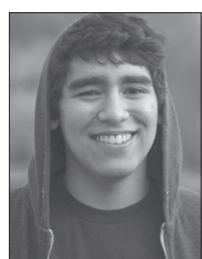


5 out of 5

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>>COLUMN

ALBUM RELEASES TO LOOK FORWARD TO IN 2017



Jose Hernandez
TEC STAFF

With artists like Drake and Iggy Azalea, and bands like Nine Inch Nails and U2 already releasing new albums, music in 2017 is already looking bright.

their presence known in this upcoming year. Industrial rock band Nine Inch Nails is set to debut “two new major” projects in 2017, along with an anthology re-release of previous works.

Having been active since 1988, this long-standing band has been a staple in many rock enthusiast’s collections and those fans will be happy to know more is on the way.

Drake, “More Life”

First and foremost, many listeners can look forward to Drake’s newest album, “More Life.” This 2017 release will feature production from various names such as The Weeknd, Frank Dukes and Vinylz to name a few.

Three singles have already been released from the Canadian-born artist as the album was hoped to have been released in December, yet other sources confirmed that early 2017 is the timeframe for release.

The prospect of another release from the near-legendary MC is nothing to be missed by any hip-hop fan; Drizzy is always a treat to look forward to.

Iggy Azalea, “Digital Distortion”

Iggy Azalea, the Australian native who broke out into the music scene in late 2011, is releasing her first studio album for in three years. “Digital Distortion” will be Azalea’s second original studio release, following “Reclassified” which was a reissue of her debut album.

One single, “Team,” from “Digital Distortion” was already released in March of 2016, and was met with reasonably positive reviews from critics.

Maybe the three-year hiatus that has generated the anticipation in the press is giving in to what is perhaps a shrewd career move for Azalea.

Nine Inch Nails, Anthology Collection

Longtime veterans are also making

U2, TBA

Irish rock band U2 is set to make a comeback in the new year, yet unlike many of the other artists on this list, they have a lot to make up for.

U2 has been relatively silent for the past three years, and for good reason. Its last album, “Songs of Innocence,” was a terrible release in both production and distribution. It came as part of the newest iOS update and was forced into the library of anyone with an iTunes account.

Whichever way some may feel about the Irish band’s previous methods, one can’t help but be interested in what moves may lay ahead for them.

My Morning Jacket, TBA

Originally from Kentucky, My Morning Jacket lead-singer Jim James laid out plans for the band’s newest release in an interview with Rolling Stone. Having been performing since 1998, My Morning Jacket has been known for its rock and country roots while at the same time not being afraid to delve into a more psychedelic sound.

It already seems that 2017 is going to be a good year for music, as artists both new and old are getting ready to either deliver their consistent sound or innovate on a proven formula.

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Customers purchase food at the new Parker's Barbecue location at 1801 Arlington Blvd.

Parker's BBQ unveils third Greenville location

Alaina Corsini
TEC STAFF

Parker's Barbecue opened a new restaurant location on Arlington Boulevard yesterday. The Greenville franchise has been in the process of opening the new location. The eastern North Carolina restaurant has become known to students as a great place to go and try authentic pork barbecue with tangy vinegar sauce. Originating in Wilson, North Carolina, Parker's

Barbecue has become a regional landmark and a definitive place in Eastern Carolina to get pork barbecue. According to the Parker's Barbecue website, “Over 10,000 pounds of barbecue, several thousand pounds each of chicken, slaw, potatoes and Brunswick Stew are purchased weekly from the Greenville locations.”

The original Parker's Barbecue restaurants in Greenville are located on Memorial Drive and

Greenville Boulevard. As the third Parker's Barbecue location in Greenville, the restaurant will include dine in and drive through.

The new location is at 1801 Arlington Blvd. and will be open from 10:00 a.m. to 8:30 p.m. Monday through Saturday and 10:00 a.m. through 8:30 p.m. Sunday.

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Thursday's Puzzle Solved

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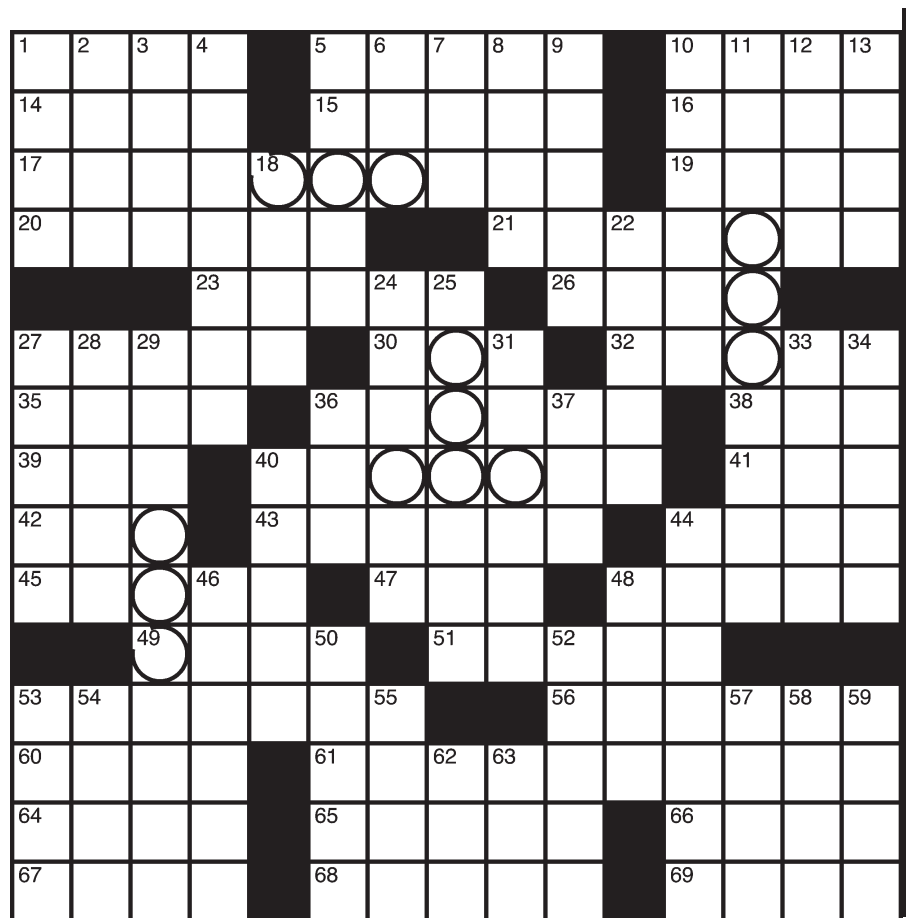
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PUZZLES

ACROSS

- 1 Doofus
- 5 Dodge Aries and Plymouth Reliant
- 10 Smack on the mouth
- 14 Letter-shaped support piece
- 15 "For real!"
- 16 Pop singer Brickell
- 17 Dice roller's exhortation
- 19 Scrabble piece
- 20 TV preview
- 21 Taken as a whole
- 23 Satchel feature
- 26 Margarita glass rim coating
- 27 Curved sword
- 30 Application info: Abbr.
- 32 Pool measure
- 35 What soccer shootouts resolve
- 36 Peaceful state
- 38 P-like Greek letter
- 39 Actress Thurman
- 40 Actor with near-synonymous first and last names
- 41 Museum hanging
- 42 Amount after costs
- 43 Suitcase attachments
- 44 Yuletide
- 45 Not so hot?
- 47 __ Lanka
- 48 Swollen
- 49 Upper, in Ulm
- 51 Male voice range
- 53 "Toodle-oo!"
- 56 Evaluate for tax purposes
- 60 Wee bit
- 61 Cause trouble ... and a hint to this puzzle's circled letters
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- 65 Emulate Vesuvius
- 66 Scarlet letter of fiction
- 67 Slow Churned ice cream brand
- 68 Hagar of Van Halen
- 69 Wine bottle number



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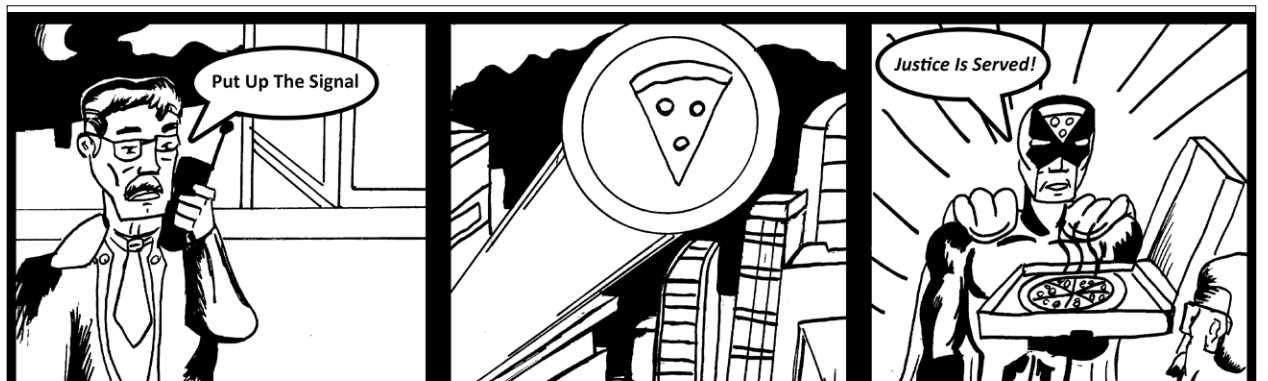
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- 2 Woodwind instrument
- 3 Dalai __
- 4 Locks on heads
- 5 Soup mix brand
- 6 "Blue Bloods" extra
- 7 Pie-mode connection
- 8 TV host Kelly
- 9 Applies weatherstripping to
- 10 Stovetop whistler
- 11 Pretty darn simple
- 12 Housecat's perch
- 13 Watermelon eater's discard
- 18 Four: Pref.
- 22 Saddled (with)
- 24 People with skill
- 25 Toaster snack
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- 28 Evangelist __ Sample McPherson
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- 33 Burglar
- 34 "Deck the Halls" greenery
- 36 Free (of)
- 37 Yearbook gp.
- 40 One on horseback
- 44 Room with a crib
- 46 Steel girders
- 48 Luxurious
- 50 Greets the judge
- 52 Well-dressed
- 53 Mention in a footnote
- 54 Broke up some clouds
- 55 Senorita's "other"
- 57 Weapon with a tip guard
- 58 Scotch go-with
- 59 Walk of Fame figure
- 62 Periodic table suffix
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ECU falls to 1-3 in conference

Turnovers plague Pirates on road against high-powered Temple

Tyler Gavin
TEC STAFF

It was another tough offensive night for the East Carolina Pirates when they traveled to Philadelphia to take on American Athletic Conference foe Temple University, losing 78-47 last night.

"Temple is a very good basketball team, I give them a lot of credit for that," ECU head coach Heather Macy said. "We have got some things we need to work on. I was thrilled with some play from an execution standpoint. We have got to finish plays and tonight we weren't always doing that."

Before the season started, the Owls (12-3, 3-0 AAC) were picked to finish second in the AAC behind the Connecticut Huskies and have now won eight games in a row. The Pirates (10-7, 1-3 AAC), who have lost four of their last five, were picked to finish sixth.

Turnover problems plagued ECU once again as it committed 20 turnovers, leading to 21 points for Temple. The Owls also scored 21 second-chance points off 19 offensive rebounds.

Only one Pirate scored in double-figures, as freshman Raven Johnson connected for 10 points. The team's leading scorers Kristen Gaffney and Bre McDonald combined for 14 points on 29 percent shooting. Nobody on ECU made a 3-pointer, as the team combined to shoot 0-for-6 from behind the arc.

"They are very talented players and I think they have matured quickly as freshman," said Macy. "I thought that Dominique (Claytor) did a nice job responding when I challenged her in the first half, she really competed there at the end of the first half and overall throughout the game."

ECU started the game strong, and found itself ahead 4-2 early. This was the only time the Pirates led the game, as they immediately allowed a 11-point run to the Owls, and trailed 19-8 after the first quarter. Temple showed how physical it was, grabbing seven offensive



Khadidja Toure (2) dribbles around a defender during a game. Toure had six points on the road against the Owls as the Pirates fell, 78-47, Wednesday.

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rebounds.

The second quarter belonged to Temple guard Feyonda Fitzgerald, who outscored the Pirates 11-9 by herself in the quarter. ECU couldn't make, or even attempt, enough shots to keep pace with Temple. The Owls closed out the half with a 3-pointer from Donnaizha Fountain and lead 39-17 heading into the locker room.

Nothing changed coming out of halftime and the Owls continued to turn the Pirates over and take advantage of mistake after mistake. They pushed the lead up to a 39 points

early in the fourth quarter, when Monasia Bolduc hit a jumper to make the score 73-34.

"We executed well tonight, we got some good looks," Macy said. "We need to get better as a basketball team, and we can get better. I think that over the next couple of weeks you will see a better team start to develop. My expectation is that we compete harder each game and that we are going to defend and rebound."

Fitzgerald continued her hot streak, scoring a game-high 22 points and dished out nine assists. Three other Owls scored

double-figure, one being Alliya Butts who hit three 3-pointers. Tanya Atkinson was one rebound short of a double-double, grabbing nine rebounds and scoring 13 points.

The brief road stint will continue for the Pirates when they head to Tampa, Florida to square off with conference foe South Florida, hoping to rebound from the loss before returning home where the Pirates are 7-2.

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TAKEAWAYS

BASEBALL

The Pirates received their highest preseason ranking since a No. 11 ranking in 2010 by Rivals.com with a No. 10 ranking for 2017 by Perfect Game Wednesday.

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

ECU will travel to Tampa to face South Florida in its fifth conference game of the season Saturday at 7 p.m.

SWIMMING AND DIVING

The Pirates will kickoff their spring season at home Saturday at 1 p.m. against Old Dominion.

MEN'S BASKETBALL

ECU will play at home Sunday at 4 p.m. against the UConn Huskies in an attempt to turn its season around.

Pirates set to kick off at Carolina

Robbie Milton
TEC STAFF

After a long off-season, East Carolina's track and field team is eager to return to the indoor season to improve from its performance in last year's appearance at the American Athletic Conference championship.

ECU's men's team placed seventh and the women's team finished fourth in last year's indoor championship. Although the team was successful in reaching the championship last season, head coach Curt Kraft has his eyes on higher ranks looking forward.

"(The team wants to) do really well in the world we live in, the American Athletic Conference, if we cannot reach the conference championship maybe we can reach second or third," said Kraft.

The Pirates have many freshmen this year which will help continue improving the track and field programs. Along with this benefit comes the downside of losing high jumper Avion Jones who graduated last year, and Kraft believes he

will be a Hall of Famer for ECU. However, Kraft believes his team can step up and still compete.

"Hopefully the other areas make up with committee and can do their best to fill the hole that Avion left in both high jump and triple jump," Kraft said.

The throwers, jumpers and sprinters have long been the strength to the team so that is expected to be the strength this season, but Kraft believes that some of the distance runners are more than capable of stepping up and improving upon from last year.

Friday ECU will travel to Chapel Hill to compete in the Dick Taylor Carolina Cup to kickoff its season. Last season the Pirates had female weight throwers place second, third and fourth at the Carolina Cup at the start of last season which included junior Mohogany Baker.

The distance runners are coming off a good cross country season. The captains of this team will be a key part of improving



Tamarack Bolden runs during the season last year. ECU travels to UNC this weekend.

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the team, because their leadership should help lead their teammates to better determination and a better work ethic.

Kraft believes on the men's side both Houston and Connecticut will be the top contenders and on the women's side Southern Methodist, Central Florida and UConn. He also believes the women's team could possibly have

a top-five finish this year.

This track team works on being a cohesive unit all year round. It works through the season to improve and compete against and with each other. However, in the off-season and in the free time, teammates spend time together in social settings.

The Pirates will kickoff their season Friday in

Chapel Hill in an attempt to improve on their third place rankings for both men and women last year at the Carolina Cup. The team will be looking for a positive start to the 2017 season before traveling to Blacksburg, Virginia Jan. 20.

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Men's hoops falling short of expectations



Carson Cherry
TEC STAFF

If East Carolina men's basketball team continues to play as it has, head coach Jeff Lebo should start polishing the resume again.

At the halfway point in the season the Pirates' (9-9, 1-4 AAC) haven't met expectations, let alone taken the next step to conference relevance.

In ECU's defense, there were multiple players missing at the start of the season, starting with freshman point guard Jeremy Shepard. Since his return from three missed games due

to an undisclosed suspen-

sion, Shepard has become a key player for the Pirates. Shepard has averaged 7.7 points, 2.7 assists, and two rebounds per game, despite only playing 20.9 minutes per game on average.

Freshman guard Elijah Hughes also missed nine games this season due to a foot injury. Although he has only averaged 19.2 minutes per game, and six players have more minutes than him, he is still fourth in points per game.

To add to the early loss on the roster, senior forward Michel Nzege was sidelined for seven games due to a leg injury. Upon his return to play he has averaged 11.1 minutes per game.

Shepard, Hughes and Nzege were all absent for ECU's first loss of the season at UNC Charlotte. Everything looked to be going well in the Pirates' next six games, only dropping one.

ECU then played probably its toughest opponent of the season, Virginia on the road. The Pirates went on to drop their next two games as well to College of Charleston and UNC Wilmington.

In its first conference game ECU managed to pull out a win in a great performance over South Florida. The Pirates, with a full squad and everyone healthy, have now dropped four straight conference games.

There's no reason for ECU to have this disappointing of a stretch.

Several of ECU's losses this year have been done in the same way, the game starts out with ECU trading baskets with its opponent for most of the game and the scores are not separated by much. For some reason the Pirates just fade out in the final minutes of those games and end up with the loss. The team looks unorganized in the last few minutes and tends to end with each possession having one player get a touch and shoot up a desperate shot.

It's hard to tell if the players can't finish out the games themselves or if the coaching isn't directing them to finish out the games to win. This year's team, on paper at least, is better rounded with every role filled for the team.

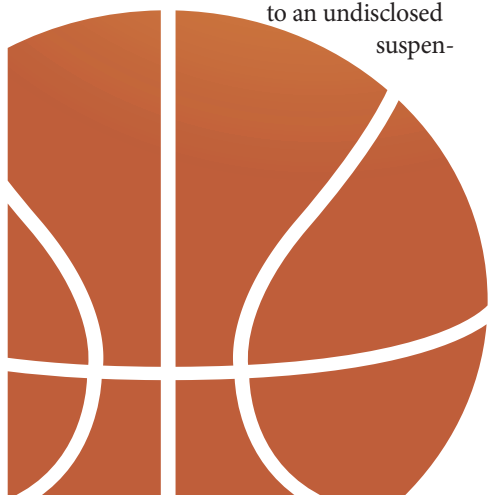
The inside game is much better with

four players who can play down low for the Pirates. Plus there is a true point guard with Shepard, instead of junior guard B.J. Tyson carrying the point.

Lebo has the players to have a successful season, but can he get them to play better to reach their potential? Despite putting up the best records ever by an ECU head coach in the Division I era, he still has never led a team to the NCAA tournament, let alone an NIT.

There's still time this season for the Pirates to turn things around, but time is running out. If Lebo can take ECU to the NIT and string together a run in conference play, it would be safe to call the season a success. A losing season, however, could provoke ECU to start looking for some other coaching options.

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