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MLK Day of Service



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A volunteer participates in a "Stop Hunger Now" event yesterday at Peace Presbyterian Church for the 2017 MLK Day of Service.

ECU, Greenville unite to volunteer

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TEC STAFF

Members of East Carolina University gathered at Peace Presbyterian Church to package food for Stop Hunger Now to celebrate and honor the life of Martin Luther King, Jr.

Students, faculty and members of the larger community participated in the event. The packaged food will be sent to developing countries around the world. Monday's event, as part of the "MLK Day of Service," was the sixth time the church has partnered with Stop Hunger Now in order to package meals.

Susan McCammon, chair of the Department of Psychology at ECU, was on hand to coordinate the food packing event.

"It has been terrific to have organized activities for students to be able to serve and they have been very enthusiastic and generous with their time," she said. "We have had ECU organizations like the Alpha Kappa

Alpha sorority, we had a service fraternity, we've got the women's basketball team and we had faculty."

McCammon said each meal contains a vitamin package, a cup of soy protein, a tablespoon of dried vegetable flakes and a cup of rice. Each package contains enough food for six meals.

Donations from Our Redeemer Lutheran Church and the Korean Fellowship joined Peace Presbyterian Church to raise the money necessary for packaging meals. The 200 participants in the morning shift and approximately 100 volunteers in the afternoon Monday packaged 22,000 meals, according to McCammon.

McCammon who is also a member of Peace Presbyterian Church said the partnership with Stop Hunger Now began a few years ago.

"Several years ago there was a multiple congregation initiative called 'Operation InAsMuch' where many local congregations of different faiths

come together and do community service," said McCammon.

After the 2010 Haitian earthquake, the church organized a Stop Hunger Now event to help those affected. The church held three events in total to help earthquake survivors and got some assistance from Carnival Cruise Lines to transport the meals.

"It's terrific and it shows that many of the students are eager to serve and if you organize an opportunity they are enthusiastic to serve," said McCammon.

McCammon called the Day of Service initiative a fitting tribute to Martin Luther King, Jr. and was proud to be a part of the ECU community.

"I am always proud to be a Pirate, especially to see the students, faculty and community enjoy working together to do something meaningful," she said.

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Academy 10: GFR's most diverse class

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The Greenville Fire Rescue Department started its 10th academy in conjunction with Pitt Community College Jan. 9, and it's the most diverse academy the city has seen yet.

Of the 17 new hires who started the academy on Monday, five are women and more than 50 percent of the participants are minorities.

Public Information Officer Rebekah Thurston for GFR said the ideal end goal would be for the department's workforce to "reflect" the true diversity of the city.

"Right now that is not actually where we are at as a department but is certainly something we are working toward," said Thurston. "I think this academy, Academy 10, is definitely a step in the right direction."

The new trainees also expressed their thoughts on how a diverse academy will be beneficial to them on the job.

"There's a lot of people that maybe normally you would have passed on the street and not say 'hey' to, but just to see all these guys, now we already feel like brothers," said Brad Parkstone, one of the fire rescue trainees.

Parkstone said learning from people who think differently will be beneficial to him, as he has to perform difficult tasks both during and after completing the academy.

"I hope to gain what I've pretty much gained already — a room full of brothers and sisters, someone I know that will have my back when we get to the real stuff," said Parkstone.

Another trainee said she is also excited about getting to experience this program with such a diverse group of people.

"I feel honored," said fire rescue trainee Marsha Roberts. "I feel like it's a blessing, and I feel like we have a great group of people to work with."

For Roberts, this academy is a chance to make a difference in the world and to continue a service-oriented profession. Roberts was a physical education teacher for 11 and a half years at Winterville Charter Academy.

"I love to help people," said Roberts. "I love to be out and to be able to help people in anyway that I can."

Thurston said the fact that the academy has five women enrolled is already a good indication of the progress the department is making, considering out of the whole department currently there are only three females out of the 161 employees.

"Five women, that's unheard of for this department. We've never had five women. I think the most we've ever had is one or two," said Thurston.

Thurston said from observing the group as a whole this first week, she can already tell they are going to be successful.

"I got out there today, and I watched them do the

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Macy earns Hall of Fame bid from high school

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As a little girl growing up in Hamptonville, North Carolina, Heather Macy had no idea how far one silly game of basketball would take her. Now she is in her seventh season as head coach of the East Carolina women's basketball team and will soon be inducted into her high school Hall of Fame.

On Jan. 21, Starmount High School will introduce Macy to its Hall of Fame for her work as the Rams' starting point guard from 1994 to 1996. During her time with the team Macy was a two-time All-Tri County and All-Northwest 2A Conference player, and led her team to a Conference

Tournament Championship during her senior year.

"It's a great honor to be inducted into the Hall of Fame," said Macy. "I am very thankful for Starmount High School and everything I learned during my time there."

Macy earned her starting position on the Rams as a sophomore and immediately made an impact, averaging 10.2 points and five assists per game. By the time she was a senior, she led the team to a championship, Macy improved her numbers to 14 points and six assists per game. That season she added to her resume an All-Northwest Honorable Mention by the Winston-Salem Journal.

"I had the privilege of coaching Heather during her sophomore and junior years,"

said Rams coach David Norman. "I could tell then that coaching was in her future as she was always my coach on the floor."

Eventually, Macy took her passionate play to Greensboro College. In her time playing for the Pride, Macy scored 707 career points, good enough for 11th in program history, and 213 assists, which is ninth in program history. Her team was inducted into the Greensboro College Hall of Fame in 2012.

Now, coaching for her seventh year, Macy is on a fast track to be inducted into possibly her third Hall of Fame. Macy sits just 10 wins short of ECU-all-time wins leader coach Sharon Baldwin-Tener's record of 126 victories.

"It was, and still is, a pleasure to keep

up with Heather and her teams," Norman said. "Just like her, her teams work hard to be successful. If you have ever heard her speak at a clinic or seen her coaching on the sidelines, she is still that little blonde ball of fire."

Macy's induction ceremony will be held at the Starmount High School Gymnasium at 2 p.m. with a reception for inductees and their guests to follow.

Up next for the Pirates is the Central Florida Knights. On Wednesday ECU will look to break its two-game losing streak and earn Macy her 117th win. The game will take place in Minges Coliseum at 7:00 p.m.

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ECU to host memorial service for Tylik Banner

A memorial service for late ECU freshmen Tylik Banner will be held today at 5:30 p.m. in the Memorial Garden outside for Mendenhall Student Center.

The memorial service is being hosted by students from Camp Pirates, the Dean of Students office and the Office of Student Transitions to remember Banner, who passed away on Dec. 21.

Greenville to host Croatan National Forest Meet

Greenville event, the Croatan National Forest Meet, will take place Friday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. for a day of hiking in the Croatan National Forest.

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Greenville participates in Women's March

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On Saturday, 165 women from eastern North Carolina will head to Washington D.C. to be part of the Women's March on Washington.

The event expects nearly 250,000 people to march from 10 a.m. until 1:15 p.m. when it concludes. The marchers will "stand together in solidarity... for the protection of our rights, our safety, our health and our families." They will be fulfilling their mission of "recognizing that our vibrant and diverse communities are the strength of our country."

All of the participants from eastern North Carolina will leave on three busses at 4 a.m. Saturday in order to make it to the event on time. The community members taking part in the event are united under the local leadership of Amber Wingate, Kelsi Dew and Katherine Johnson.

"It started with a few of us going up in minivans," said Wingate. "Now we have three busses with 165 people including 10 ECU students."

Wingate and the other women leading were ecstatic over the number of people who joined.

"I love the power of people coming together. This is going to be a great experience," said Wingate.

The historical importance of this event resonated with Wingate and as a North Carolinian she felt an even stronger urge to go.

"With North Carolina in the spotlight for HB2 and other political issues it's important to represent and show we care," said Wingate.

She said she realizes that each individual is going for different reasons but once everyone is at



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Greenville women attend a meeting to prepare for the Women's March taking place in Washington D.C.

the march they will be standing in solidarity.

"I want to go to be a part of history," said Dew. "To make a stance against everything negative from this election."

The march will take place the day after president-elect Donald Trump is sworn into office, marking a huge transition for D.C.

"This is not an anti-Trump rally. We will stand up for everyone because everyone is human," said Dew.

An East Carolina University sociology professor, Bob Edwards, met with the group to prepare them on what to expect during such a large demonstration. With social movements and organizations being a heavy concentration in his studies, Edwards passed on his expertise. He advised the individuals to know their rights, find the designated organizations there such as "Food

not Bombs" when they need assistance and to double check march protocol before they leave.

Though Edwards is not going to the event he has supported the group as they have prepared to leave. "I hope they organize when they come back," said Dr. Edwards. "They have a good size group and have created a good opportunity for Greenville."

As the 165 individuals head to the nation's capitol, they will be wearing green scarves to represent eastern North Carolina. The state will also be represented by marchers wearing purple.

"We are hoping to take our experience at the march and bring it back to Greenville," said Dew. "So we can move forward and have a more progressive future."

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'Barbershop Talks' to teach leadership

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For decades, the African-American community has used the barbershop as a conversation space, and now one man has a mission to use that very place to headline a series based in leadership.

Called "Barbershop Talk," the leadership series is directed toward young African-American males currently enrolled at East Carolina University. The series' initiative is centered around assisting and developing young men of color into young leaders and professionals.

Mirroring the realisms and transparency of barbershop-like conversation, "Barbershop Talk" also makes a historical approach to create authentic dialogue amongst its participants.

The creative mind behind this event, Randy B. Stitt, has been recognized as one of the Top 100 Young Black Men of Charlotte, North Carolina and selected as an Elite Pirate for ECU. With the hope of inspiring others in mind, Stitt has strived to inspire the upcoming generation of minority males to make a positive impact on their communities as leaders.

"Barbershop Talk" is one of many efforts to turn Stitt's hopes into action.

"This series will create an intimate setting where successful and older black males will share words of wisdom with the younger black male participants,"

said Stitt. "Leadership often stems from other leaders, and I think this series can do just that for these young men of color."

During the series, prominent African-American males from the ECU and greater Greenville community will come as guest speakers to share their individual journeys of leadership and to provide personal advice to the participants.

"Barbershop Talk" will discuss the unwritten rules for minority males in professional settings and the experiences that black men at predominantly white institutions face.

"One of the only rules is that what happens in the room stays in the room, but what is learned can leave," said Stitt. "Dialogue between men of color is necessary, and this series will aim to create that dialogue."

"Barbershop Talk" participants are selected via online application. On that application, the participants will share their leadership roles at ECU and what leadership means to them as a young, black men.

The ECU series will take place this later this spring, with the exact date to be announced after the participants are selected and notified. Stitt also plans to carry on the series at UNC Charlotte and other PWI's in the near future.

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ropes course, and they're a great group," said Thurston. "They're learning, and it will be a really cool transition I think to watch."

Battalion Chief Calvin Horne is in charge of the program and said he has been doing this work for almost 27 years, including running this academy and two others before. Horne said the academy is demanding, but will be worth it for the trainees in the end by teaching them the value of teamwork.

"I've seen maturity; I've seen people grow up," said Horne. "Seeing people

overcome their fears, weaknesses and achieving what they set out to do as a group, this is what fire rescue is all about."

The academy is a six-month long program, where participants receive both their fire and emergency medical services certificates at the end of the period in July.

Four out of the 17 new hires, already received their certificates at a prior academy, and the department will determine whether or not they have to participate in part of the program again or go straight to shift.

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To the person who said this is "the sh****st school newspaper out there," I disagree. It provides information about current events at the school, and that's all most students really care about in regards to this newspaper.

I love that some people dislike TEC just because the sports section isn't biased and doesn't say ECU is going to win everything

Sometimes, being part of a university family is more important than breaking a "sensational" story.

Just because you CAN write and publish an article doesn't always mean you SHOULD.

Its 2017, why can't I submit pirate rants on an app?

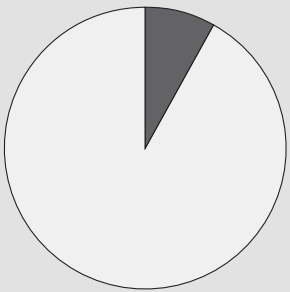
The Fay article could have been done better. Accidents happen and none of us are free from error when driving. I bet every driver has been fortunate enough to escape an accident that would have been our fault. Regardless of the cause, a husband lost his wife, children lost their mother. As a reporter, you have the choice to write in good taste and respectfully, or to be demeaning by not carefully choosing your words. Let's mourn a woman who was taken too early, and support a grieving family.

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Our view

ECU shows service with social media

Service projects in honor of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day filled social media yesterday as individuals recorded their acts and SnapChatted, Tweeted and posted them.

Students at East Carolina University even sent in pictures and videos to @officialECU on Snapchat, allowing others following the account to see a variety of service opportunities, such as packing bags of rice and dry food, participating in Stop Hunger Now and volunteering at the food bank, just to name a few. Many of the students featured in the Snapchat story urged their peers to also take initiative to help serve others in and out of the community.

Social media encourages others to join the movement and provides a plethora of unique ideas to viewers, not only on MLK Day, but throughout the year.

Though these acts should not be done solely for recognition,

rather in an effort to better the lives of others, it's a great tool for spotlighting the efforts of various student organizations and promoting events.

In the age of smartphones and technology in the houses of most, social media has the ability to reach more citizens than most other methods of communication.

Getting as many individuals involved as possible is a big part in uniting communities in an effort to truly make a difference, and social media's role in this is key. We commend ECU for connecting with students on a social media platform that is such a large part of our everyday lives. Showing live coverage of students serving the community strengthens our relationship with ECU's service motto and helps strengthen the University's ties to the community.

Meryl Streep makes history at awards



Melissa Glen
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The Golden Globes Awards, a night where people gather to see which celebrity will take home the trophy. It's a night where the greatest concern among the viewers is whose outfit will rock the red carpet this time or which Hollywood couple will be all the new craze.

However, this year, the awards show became about more than judging celebrities based off their acting or looks. It became about judging one man based on his actions and words.

I was shocked when I first heard Meryl Streep's speech targeting the new president-elect, but not because I disagreed with what she was saying. I just never expected politics to come up in such a non-political environment.

That's when I started thinking about it. Why shouldn't she have an opinion on politics? Why shouldn't any celebrity have an opinion? They live here. They pay taxes here. They vote here.

Actors spend their lives trying to understand different perspectives, trying to see the world through someone else's eyes. They have a certain

empathy some people will never have.

The same people who are bashing Streep for making her speech a political platform, voted for a man who was not an experienced politician but a reality star.

In an opinion article on *The Week*, one journalist criticized Streep saying, "But Streep presented that empathy as a gift to the rest of the country, as opposed to something she and her colleagues might learn from themselves."

Empathy is a gift though. It is something that I, myself, am grateful to have. It is something that we, as humans, should cherish not lose. People need to be able to put themselves in the mindset of others to ensure tolerance and peace in a community.

Another article on *Lifezette* called Streep's speech "obvious" and "rude," saying "It lacked your characteristic courage to surprise and challenge all of us. Yourself included?"

I could not disagree more. I think Streep showed courage by getting on that stage and fighting for what she believes. She challenged everyone in the audience and everyone watching at home to be an actor that night and to step into her world and see America from her eyes.

The article said Streep showed no respect for any of her fans who might have voted for Trump, but that is not the point. One should not change their beliefs because of the beliefs of others.

Streep had something she needed to say, something which had been weighing her down for a while, and she said it despite the fact she knew she would receive backlash. That is courage.

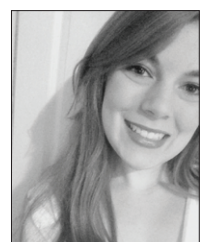
After giving her speech, Trump called her "overrated," but she is no different than everything he says he is fighting for. Trump does not hesitate twice before going on a Twitter war. He does not stop and weigh the pros and cons before saying what he wants. Why should she?

Streep got on that stage and promoted positive ideas. She promoted peace, equality, truth and she did it all without even calling Trump out by name. Trump got on Twitter and promoted name calling, denial, and hypocrisy.

Both celebrities. Both with their own political beliefs. Both not afraid to speak out for these beliefs. But only one is about to be the President of the United States.

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Emma Watson serves as positive influence



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Let's go back to where our generation first met Emma Watson. Watson was nine when she was cast as Hermione Granger, one of the two best friends of Harry Potter. The first film, *Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone* was released in 2001. Following this release, Watson's fame flourished and she became known globally. Watson's Harry Potter character was a fighter who was brilliant, compassionate and a fierce friend. Nothing short of the actress playing the character.

Many individuals of our generation, including myself, grew up watching the Harry Potter films. When the last Harry Potter movie was released, Watson had become a well-renowned actress and role model to millions. Her shining personality and work continued to gain her a massive fan base that followed her after the series ended. So, what else could Watson do to enthrall us more? She goes to Brown.

When people think of a well-renowned, successful childhood actor and celebrity, there is one thing they usually do not think of — college. The perception of celebrities seems to be that they are already financially secure, therefore a degree would just be an accessory to them. There is good reason for this too. When is the last time you witnessed Miley Cyrus lugging around a bursting North Face backpack across Berkeley? Or of Zac Efron meeting with his

professor at MIT?

However, Watson rebelled against the notion that celebrities do not need a college degree and enrolled at Brown University. A role model to her generation and younger, she helped fuel a fire in many to follow in her footsteps of higher education. In 2014, Watson graduated with a degree in English Literature. It may have not been a degree from Hogwarts, but an Ivy League degree is pretty good too, right?

Now, Watson had no interest in letting her degree be an accessory to her fame. Instead, Watson used her fame as an accessory to her degree. She took all the energy coming at her and channeled it into her work as the United Nations Women Goodwill Ambassador.

Watson was appointed UN Women Goodwill Ambassador in July 2014. A Goodwill Ambassador advocates for a specific cause. They generally deliver goodwill or promote ideals from one entity to another or to a population.

In an interview with *Vogue* U.K. on her position Watson said, "Everything clicked into place, in a way that it hadn't before. I understood what I'm here to do and knew where to channel all this energy that has been coming at me." She also said while she has done many things in her life, this position has given her the most feeling of purpose.

When Watson was appointed as the UN Women Goodwill Ambassador, she became a vigorous and active voice of our generation, along with a player in modern feminism.

Then, just a few months after being

appointed the UN Women Goodwill Ambassador, Watson announced the campaign HeForShe. On Sept. 20, 2014, Watson spoke on the new HeForShe campaign at the United Nations headquarters in New York City.

"I want men to take up this mantle. So their daughters, sisters and mothers can be free from prejudice, but also so that their sons have permission to be vulnerable and human too — reclaim those parts of themselves they abandoned and in doing so be a more true and complete version of themselves," Watson stated on the campaign.

HeForShe has gained a great deal of momentum over the past year as the solidarity movement to gain gender equality. HeForShe will be engraved in our history books as something that helped lurch forward the modern feminist movement.

From age nine to 26, Watson has been a role model to the masses, including myself. She has acted in numerous productions such as: *Harry Potter* (2001-2011), *Perks of Being a Wallflower* (2012), *The Bling Ring* (2013), and in the anticipated film *Beauty and the Best* (2017). Her vibrant, charismatic and commemorated roles gained her a massive fan base over the years.

Watson perplexed us, exhilarated us and taught us the importance of making a difference. And most importantly, she taught us how to say levOsia and not levoisA.

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MovieFest returns to ECU

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Every year, Campus MovieFest, the world's largest student movie festival, makes its way to East Carolina University to make it possible for students to moonlight as filmmakers for one week.

Campus MovieFest was set to take place during the last week of October last year but was postponed until Jan. 17 due to Hurricane Matthew.

"It kept getting postponed because of the weather, so I think that students who were eager to do it last semester are even more excited for it this time around," said Quincy Bazan, Campus MovieFest's tour manager.

Campus MovieFest was founded 17 years ago at Emory University by four college students. The main idea behind the movie festival is to give students a week to create a five minute film.

"They wanted to know what students could do with the right equipment in seven days," said Campus MovieFest Promotions Manager Joey Engelman.

Each student is given a laptop with Adobe Creative Cloud, a Panasonic LUMIX HD camera and sound gear. They are also provided with equipment training from Campus MovieFest.

"This is the main thing about us that

makes us [who we are]," said Bazan. "We provide basically everything you need to make a film in a week for free."

This year, the festival is sponsored by a company named Seeker. Students can win over \$100,000 in cash among the different categories of film. The filmmaking categories include comedy, social justice and the new Seeker category.

The Seeker category allows students to create a nonfiction work that deals with science, world, exploration and others. This new category also includes documentaries.

The last day of Campus MovieFest where all equipment is due is Jan. 23 and the festival will conclude with a red carpet event on Jan. 26. There, the top four movies from ECU will be announced.

Other awards that will be given at the finale event include awards for directing, editing and acting.

"We have prizes for everything," said Bazan. "We even give a drone to the person who [brings] the most guests to the showing of the final films."

The top four winners will receive a one year subscription to Adobe Creative Cloud and will move on to compete at the national event in Atlanta, Georgia in July along with all other participants

"Anyone who participated in the movie



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A student works with the camera and laptop provided by Campus MovieFest to create a film.

festival is invited to come to the national event in Atlanta," said Engelman.

Campus MovieFest starts on Jan. 17 in Mendenhall Student Center from 12-5 p.m. The festival ends with equipment collection on Jan. 23 and will conclude with a red carpet

finale on Jan. 26 at 7:30 p.m. in Hendrix Theater. For more information, visit campusmoviefest.com

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PERFORMANCE REVIEW

Whirligig brings British charm to Greenville in 'Earnest'



Andy Li
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Whirligig Stage's production of "The Importance of Being Earnest" reminds viewers about the delightful intimacy of community theatre. In one of its first productions, Whirligig's director Elana Kepner has given the classic farce a modern setting and maintained the trivial, light humor of the material.

The cast clearly enjoys the show, playing their characters with dogged enthusiasm. Allen Andrews, playing Jack Worthing, portrays his character exactly the way Oscar Wilde would want — earnestly. Either way, Andrews's Jack is pleasant enough, even if his idea of a British gentleman is rolling onto the balls of his feet and nervously tugging at his jacket.

ECU professor Jennifer-Scott Mobley portrays the formidable Lady Bracknell admirably well. This role is Mobley's return to the stage and, although her nerves seem to have gotten the best of her a few times, she is delightful to watch.

But it's Colin Burns, playing Algernon Moncrieff, who steals the show. Every actor emulates more of a British stereotype than actual British mannerisms which is sensible for this show, but Burns pushes his to the extreme, delicately plucking at cucumber sandwiches and lazily meandering across the stage, and produces hilarious results.

Another notable performance is that of Ted Willis who plays three characters, each with a unique idiosyncratic nature. The role of Reverend Chasuble is the strongest, and the funniest, and audiences will wish he had more stage time to make them laugh.



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The cast of "The Importance of Being Earnest" takes its final bows during the last dress rehearsal Thursday at Whirligig.

The other women of the cast, Jessica Gunn, Sophie Lewis and Rebekah Thurston, portray their characters well enough, but is nothing to be remembered. Gunn's Gwendolen Fairfax and Lewis' Cecily Cardew are rather plainly acted. Thurston's Ms. Prism, while funny, is a bit flat and her dips into hilarity are random and unmotivated.

The overall direction of the show was a bit directionless, but for a play with no intense moral theme, no political issue driving the actions, only the trivial conversations of rich people, perhaps that can be forgiven. For such a small theatre, the set was surprisingly adequate. Though set pieces were reused and refash-

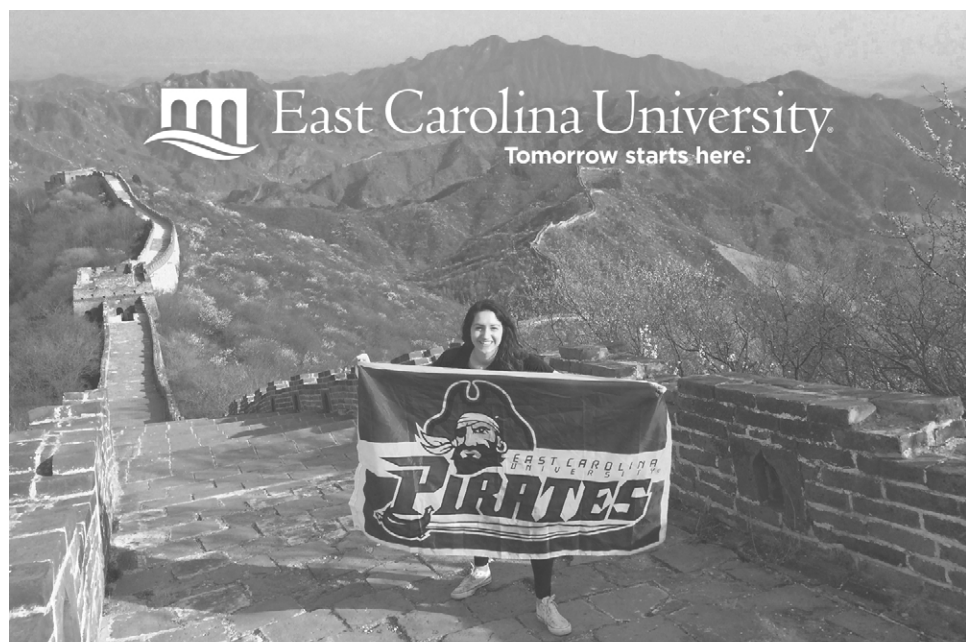
ioned, each scene had its own character and scenery. In the end, audiences can truly enjoy supporting local theatre by going to see "Importance of Being Earnest."

RATING:



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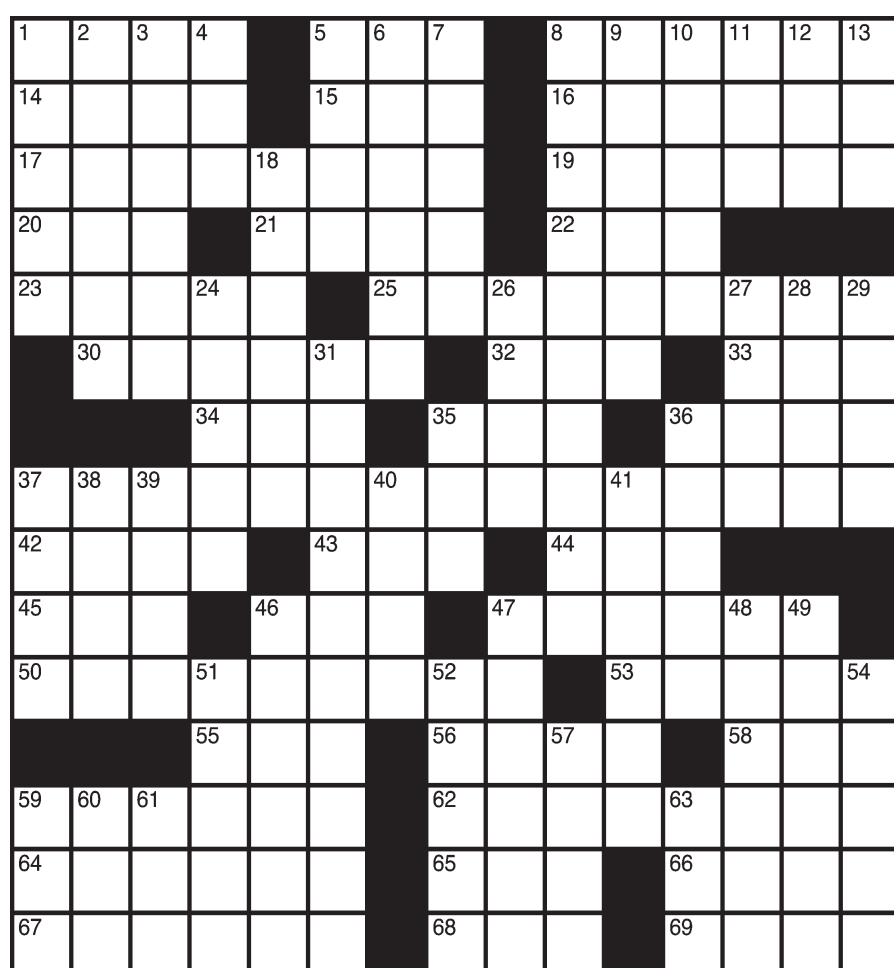
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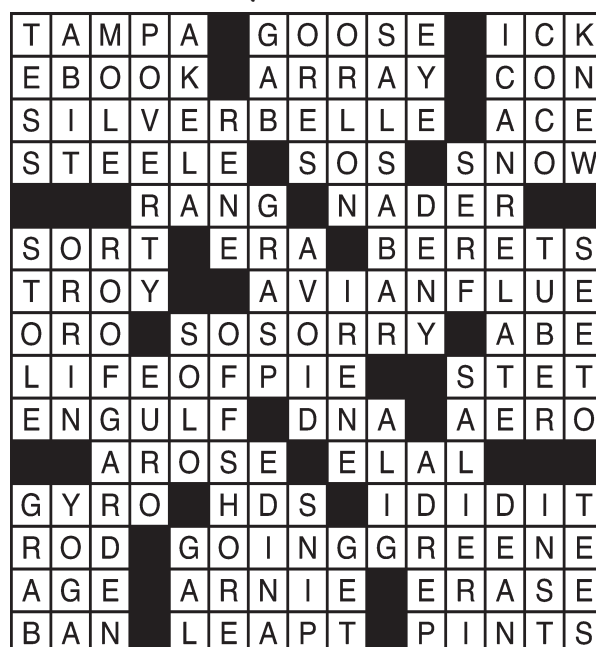
PUZZLES

- ACROSS**
- Baja vacation spot
 - Tree's sticky output
 - Neck mark from necking
 - Razor name
 - Suffix with pay
 - Taking the place (of)
 - Silly sort
 - Polish port where Solidarity was founded
 - Music producer Brian
 - Dueling sword
 - "Hannah and ___ Sisters": Woody Allen film
 - Formal pronouncements
 - Zeros
 - Pay with plastic
 - ___ of: done with
 - Not at home
 - The Judds, e.g.
 - Migration formation
 - Move in the wind
 - Anniversary celebration at the Met, say
 - Numbered musical piece
 - Grunting female
 - Slowing, on a music score: Abbr.
 - Little point to pick
 - Sick ___ dog
 - Spitball need
 - Disputed Mideast territory
 - R&B singer Baker
 - "That's all ___ wrote"
 - Fermented honey drink
 - The USA's 50
 - Nissan model
 - Infantile vocalizations, and a hint to the starts of 17-, 25-, 37- and 50-Across
 - Series of related emails
 - Luau instrument
 - Curved molding



- 67 Fort Bragg mil. branch
68 Boston hrs.
69 Dandelion, e.g.

Thursday's Puzzle Solved



- DOWN**
- Confined, as a bird
 - Not accented, as syllables
 - Ornamental pin
 - Doofus
 - Ivory in the tub
 - State without proof
 - Prefix with -lithic
 - Bogart film set in a California range
 - Truly
 - Irish county bordering Limerick
 - Next of ___
 - Wide shoe widths
 - Guffaw
 - Face adversity well
 - Cries of triumph
 - Layered cookie
 - Bridal attire
 - Avocado dip, for short
 - Eyelid sore
 - Dates one person exclusively

- Ex-Gls' gp.
- Lustrous fabric
- Bell hit with a padded mallet
- Samoan capital
- Skating leap
- Have a good laugh
- Address for a noblewoman
- Traditional Hindu retreat
- Delivers a lecture
- Facial expression
- Postwar British prime minister
- Autumn blossom
- Suffuse (with)
- Queried
- Help with a heist
- Actor Erwin
- "Come again?" sounds
- FDR agency
- Illegal parker's risk

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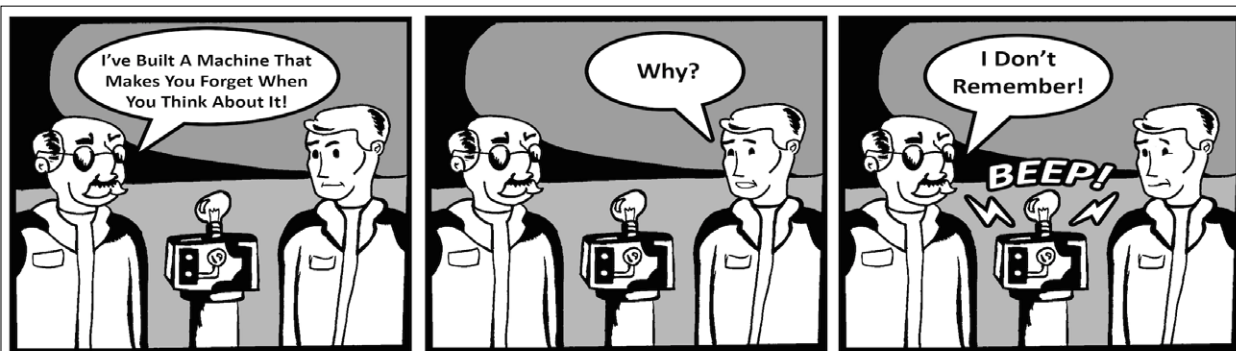
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Thursday's Puzzle Solved 1/17/17

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8	7	3	5	9	1	4	2	6
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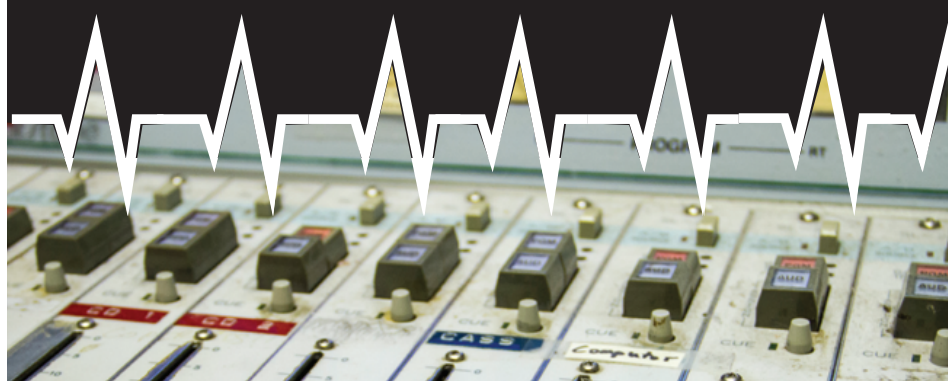
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Pirates crush Monarchs, win 29 of 33

Daniel Roberts
TEC STAFF

The East Carolina swim team took on the Old Dominion Monarchs Saturday and won in impressive fashion taking 29 of the 33 total events.

The women's team won 15 of its 16 events, outscoring the Monarchs, 171-117. It started off strong by winning its first six events before losing in the 100-yard breaststroke.

Junior Julie Lajoie had an impressive outing by winning the 1,000-yard freestyle, the 200-yard butterfly and the 200-yard individual medley event while junior Logan Graumann

won the 100-yard backstroke and the 50-yard freestyle.

Junior Alicia Roueche and senior Ashley Sams led the way for the Pirates in the diving events as Sams won the one meter and Roueche won the three meter.

The men's team won 14 of its 16 events, outscoring the Monarchs, 175-113. The Pirates won their first eight events before losing in the 50-yard freestyle by .04 seconds. Junior Boleck De Pawlikowski won the 100-yard and 200-yard backstroke events, while fellow junior John Myhre took first place in the 100-yard and 200-yard freestyle events. Myhre also helped the Pirates come in first in the 200-yard

medley relay and the 400-yard freestyle relay. Junior Matt Mullen won both the one meter and three meter diving events with junior Taylor Berkey finishing in second.

Those individual performers who were able to win multiple events were also a part of a balanced performance overall.

"This was a rivalry meet where we were stronger than our opponents. Coming off of a eight day training trip in Florida, we were tired but we stepped up and had great swims so I was real pleased with the team," head coach Rick Kobe said.

Next weekend against the University of Maryland Baltimore County will be the last

home meet of the season and Kobe's last home meet of his career. Kobe is due to retire at the end of the season after 37 years with ECU.

"We have a real tough opponent in UMBC coming in, we will have to be strong going in to win," Kobe said.

With the NCAA championships and American Athletic Conference championships coming up in the near future, Kobe said his team needs to continue to build momentum.

"If we swim and bring our A-game we will have a good shot. Everyone will have to be ready to go," said Kobe.

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Junior Esteban Araya competes in a butterfly event. The Pirates swim team kicked off its first meet of the season at home Saturday by winning 29 out of 33 events over the Old Dominion Monarchs.

Pirates place third in season debut meet at Carolina Cup

Robbie Milton
TEC STAFF

East Carolina's track team opened its indoor season in strong fashion, claiming two event titles, where the men's and women's both took third place as a team.

The Pirates kicked off their indoor season this past weekend at the Dick Taylor Carolina Cup competing against Duke, North Carolina and North Carolina State. UNC won on both the men's and women's side, but ECU did well, beating NC State on both sides.

ECU gained its first event title in the women's weight throw where junior Mohogany Baker racked up a distance of 15.89 meters. This distance currently has her ranked second in the American Athletic Conference and No. 26 in the nation.

"She (Baker) picked up right where she left off," head coach Curt Kraft said.

The other event title ECU won was the men's 60-meter hurdles where junior D'Ante Yarborough took first place running in 8.19 seconds. He was followed closely by fellow

teammate senior Vincent Ragland finishing in 8.27 seconds.

Along with earning event titles, ECU performed well across the board. In men's throwing the team took second, third and fourth in shot put lead by senior Adam Manns who threw a distance of 16.65 meters. In the men's 800-meter ECU took second and third. Other second place finishers were Jordan Martin in the 200-meter and Nick Ciaccia in the 3000-meter. Ciaccia moved into first place in the AAC by running it in 8:43.35.

"We look for him (Ciaccia) to lead the distance group after this strong start he had this weekend," Kraft said.

ECU heads to Virginia Tech next for its first invitational of the season. Kraft expects this next meet to be another test for ECU to improve and see where it stands. This invitational has different conferences in it which helps to get more competition for ECU.

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