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## ECU falls to Carolina



East Carolina first baseman Bryce Harman hangs his head during the Pirates' 6-2 loss to in-state rival UNC at home Wednesday.

## In-state rival UNC takes down Pirates

**Tyler Gavin**  
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The fans at Clark-LeClair Stadium on Wednesday night were ready to see the two best baseball teams in North Carolina face off in a high-stakes midweek game. Unfortunately, East Carolina forgot to bring its bats and dropped its third straight game against No. 9 North Carolina, 6-2.

In front of 4,971 fans, No. 25 ECU was overpowered by the UNC pitching staff, especially Rodney Hutchinson Jr. Entering the game in the fourth inning, the sophomore gave up no runs and only allowed two hits and two walks in his 4 2/3 innings of work.

"As good as our offensive numbers are we need to be better against better pitching," Godwin said. "No offense to Elon but the arms that went at us aren't the arms North Carolina threw at us."

Even though the ECU hitters didn't provide the run support, the pitching staff did just about everything it could but was burned by one throwing error. With two on and two out in the top of the fourth, Chris Holba was on to pitch for the Pirates and forced UNC's Cody Roberts

into what looked like an inning-ending ground ball.

But it was too slow for shortstop Turner Brown to handle. After fielding it cleanly, Turner threw it into the UNC dugout, forcing a dead ball and allowed a run to score and put two in scoring position. On the very next pitch, Brandon Riley made the Pirates pay for their mistakes by hitting a three-run home run to take the lead and break the game open, 5-2.

Riley broke out of his slump for the Tar Heels by going 3-for-4 with a double and the home run, driving home four UNC runs and scoring two more. After his homerun, Riley's single in the sixth scored the final Tar Heels run of the game.

"It just comes down to one inning. If I catch that ball at first we get out of it," first baseman Bryce Harman said. "I take the blame on that one."

The Pirates, who exploded for 11 runs on Tuesday at Elon, struggled all game to put together productive hits. Travis Watkins who drove in six runs in Tuesday's win went 0-for-4 with two strikeouts Wednesday.

Trailing by one run in the third, the Pirates appeared to be threatening when

Charlie Yorgen executed a perfect hit-and-run with a double down the left field line to drive home Dusty Baker from first. But with a man on second and no outs, three Pirates went down without a fight and squandered the opportunity.

ECU's only other run came off that bat of Harman in the fourth inning. With Eric Tyler standing on third with two away it appeared the Pirates were going to let another opportunity slip away, but Harman blooped a single to right field and drove home the final Pirates' run.

From that point on the only other ECU baserunners came off walks. The duo of Hutchison and Josh Hiatt locked down the explosive Pirates offense and struck out five of the final six batters.

"(All the loses) sting. We're trying to win every time we come out here," Godwin said. "I appreciate the fans making a big deal out of it but we need a lot of fans to come out here for Friday night."

East Carolina will look to get back to its winning ways against Towson in the final non-conference series this weekend at Clark-LeClair Stadium.

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## City Council to allow alcohol in Town Common

**Melissa Glen**  
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Greenville City Council unanimously voted in support of allowing select events to sell alcohol in the Town Common, starting with this year's PirateFest.

Beginning in April, any event which wants to be part of this new opportunity will have to gain approval from the city and obtain the required permits.

District 2 Council Member Rose Glover said the rule will only be in effect for a year, and then it will be brought back to the City Council to be re-evaluated. If the council still supports the policy after this length of time, it could become permanent.

She said the city felt a year would give them ample time to fully assess the advantages and disadvantages of the new approach, starting with the outcome of Pirate Fest. Glover said the council will look at this event specifically, as well as numerous others to see if this is something they want to continue with in the coming years.

"We are doing this on a trial basis," said Glover. "It's something new for us; It's something new for the community."

Glover said the idea is to bring more revenue and consumers to the area and help it grow. She said over the past few years, the city has faced limitations when attracting investors with an interest in the Town Common.

According to Glover, there have been many offers to host concerts at Town Common that have fell through due to the city's strict rules on alcohol.

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## Tomi Lahren set to visit ECU in April

**Mary Katherine Karcher**  
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Student Involvement and Leadership, Student Government Association and Turning Point USA will host Tomi Lahren in Mendenhall Hendrix Theatre on Monday, April 17 as she visits East Carolina University.

Lahren, who got her start as an online video host and anchor for On Point with Tomi on One America Network, was recently the host and political commentator for the show Tomi on The Blaze network. Lahren has garnered attention and a large following due to her willingness to unabashedly express her opinion in reporting the news. The New York Times recently described Lahren in 2016 as, "a rising media star."

Turning Point USA and the chapter that is active at ECU strives to promote limited government, capitalism and fiscal responsibility on college campuses, according to its Twitter account. The group has hinted at a special guest speaker for several weeks on its Twitter page.

Giovanni Triana, who currently serves as Turning Point USA's president, shares that the point of inviting Lahren to speak at ECU is to enhance the idea of diversity on campus rather than spark controversy. Triana made it clear that neither Turning Point USA or SGA align with or plan to promote Lauren's political or personal beliefs.

"We recognize that ECU and many other college campuses have been in favor of bringing more liberal speakers to speak and we obviously want there to be a diversity of thought when living up to ECU's creed of accepting everyone's opinions, thoughts a beliefs," said

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## Staton, wife promote study abroad

**Mary Katherine Karcher**  
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East Carolina University Chancellor Cecil Staton and his wife Catherine Staton have committed \$100,000 to fund international experiences for students at ECU. As a result students will have more access to international travel and education opportunities.

The Cecil P. Staton and Catherine D. Staton Study Abroad fund is Staton's way of promoting study abroad programs at ECU, as well as increase global awareness within activities on campus and student groups.

Staton outlined some goals he has had for the university, including a half-billion dollar comprehensive capital campaign for the university. Over the next five to six years, the administration hopes to raise

half-billion dollars to provide a foundation of resources for students working in research and scholarships, along with those who study abroad and participate in international experiences.

Staton said these opportunities can build important skills employers look for as students enter the workforce and global economy. Staton has many goals for ECU's advancement included expanding research and development and opening more doors for students.

"I believe that our university is America's next great national university," said Staton. "We've got so many wonderful things going on here and I want you to now most of all this afternoon that I am proud of you. Our students are what it's really all about at ECU, our job number one is student success and so we care about

you." Enhancing the internationalization of ECU through global academic initiatives to increase participation in study abroad while also bringing an international focus to activities on campus has been one of Staton's top priorities since he was selected as chancellor in 2016.

In a statement released to the media, Staton said, "Catherine and I are excited to financially support this great institution by creating an endowment to fund one of our top priorities — global awareness and understanding."

For those who wish to attend, there will be ceremony Friday in which Staton will officially be installed as the ECU's 11th chancellor at 10 a.m. in Wright Auditorium.

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### ONLINE

» East Carolina Native American students host 24th Annual PowWow

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## BRIEFS

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## ECU set to host National History Day

East Carolina University is set to the National History Day competition on campus in Mendenhall Student Center today from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. The National History Day competition is a nationwide academic event for middle and high school students. The theme of the competition this year is "Taking a Stand in History".

Following the competition, an award ceremony will be held in Hendrix Theatre. The winners of the competition today will head to the state competition in Raleigh.

## Minges Coliseum prepares for Storm the Stadium event

The second annual Storm the Stadium will take place this Saturday at 8 a.m. in Minges Coliseum. The event is one of the longest stair climb challenges in eastern North Carolina with a 3,200 step challenge. All proceeds will go to support scholarships and programming for student veterans. Registration ends at 11:59 p.m. tonight on RunSignUp.com. Those who register prior to the event will have access to the stadium stairs to practice for the event.

## CORRECTIONS &amp; CLARIFICATIONS

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## City report shows planned development

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**EDITOR'S NOTE: A story in The East Carolinian Tuesday about the Popular Annual Finance Report for the 2015-16 fiscal year incorrectly reported several central city financial investments. The information below has been updated and corrected.**

In the 2015-16 Popular Annual Finance Report, it was revealed a \$270 million investment from East Carolina University into three separate central city projects.

This investment included a \$120 million for the ECU Student Union, \$60 million for ECU Student Services and \$90 million for the ECU Millennial Campus.

"This investment will improve the city center and lay the groundwork for future growth in trade, investment, commerce and continued improvements in the urban core," according to the City of Greenville in the report. "We expect to see an increase in visitors from surrounding areas traveling to uptown Greenville to shop for goods and services, which will have an even greater positive impact on our city."

In addition to investments from ECU, the city noted multiple investments from downtown apartment complexes such as The Boundary and the upcoming Campus Edge. The Boundary invested \$42 million and Campus Edge \$54 million into downtown Greenville, according to the city report.

These investments will go to improving "the city center and lay the groundwork for future growth in trade, investment, commerce and continued improvements in the urban core," said the report.

The city also mentioned various projects to improve streets, sidewalks and greenways as well funding for buildings that will enhance the uptown area. The report highlighted several projects including the First Street Restriping, Dickinson Avenue Improvements and the 10th Street Connector.

"Investment in the central city is setting the stage for future economic growth that will further solidify Greenville as eastern North Carolina's place to live, work and play," according to the city report.

The city sees students as a vital key in bringing more attention and revenue to the new uptown scene.

Besides depending on students to boost the

economy, the city heavily relies on ECU to boost employment rates. With 5,795 employees, ECU is the second largest employer in the Greenville area only behind Vidant Medical Center, which employs 7,868 people.

"Greenville continues to be one of the state's top performing cities for economic growth with the healthcare and educational industries leading the way," the report stated. "35 percent of those employed in Greenville were employed in a healthcare or education field in fiscal year 2015-16."

With these leading employers, Greenville's unemployment was equal to North Carolina's 2016 unemployment average of 4.9 percent, which fell slightly higher than the country's average.

As ECU and the City of Greenville continue to expand, the economic standing of the city will also continue to evolve.

"Providing comprehensive and quality services while maintaining a sound financial position is a source of pride for the City of Greenville," said City Manager Barbara Lipscomb in the introduction of the financial report. "It is an important part of our financial mission to be transparent in providing you with complete information on the finances of our programs."

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"We want it to be fair for everyone, all the vendors who have wanted to have access to the Town Common," Glover said.

Glover expects the city to receive criticism from people worried about the effect this new proposal would have on the family atmosphere of the Town Common, but she thinks the city will be able to maintain the kid friendly environment for the families who use the area.

"Big events we are definitely going to be able to control," said Glover. "I'm not completely for it, but I

think we need to give it a chance to see what happens. I think there is a way you can do this and still keep it family oriented."

She said the Town Common will have a designated area set up for vendors selling alcoholic beverages, in order to try to keep the two environments separate.

Glover added the new policy will not include Greenville's Summer Sunday in the Park Concert Sessions. Since the event is more family oriented, she said the city plans to try to keep it alcohol-free.

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Triana. "We recognize that Tomi Lahren is a controversial person, and that a lot of people disagree with her and Turning Point USA is not unanimously in support of Tomi Lahren, however we respect free speech."

Triana also shared that controversy has arisen in response to the announcement of Lahren's visit. Turning Point USA's and Triana's personal Twitter pages have received some negative feedback including, "vitriol, a lot of hateful rhetoric, some racist things that were said," shared Triana.

In a statement released on Turning Point USA at ECU's Twitter page, the executive board of the group defended its decision to extend an invitation to Lahren as the announcement has already apparently been met with some

controversy.

"Our chapter of Turning Point USA has variety of personalities, backgrounds and opinions. For this reason, we have chosen to invite her to our campus, as we believe in the concepts of free speech, tolerance and diversity of thought," read the statement. "We understand your right to oppose her views and hope that you will understand the importance of allowing her to speak to ECU's diverse mindset."

There will be an open forum with an allotted time for a question and answer segment with Lahren at the event.

Doors for the event will open at 6 p.m. with the actual event starting at 6:30 p.m. and will be premier passport event, though seating will be limited. Tickets are available at the ECU Central Ticket Office and will be free of charge to students, faculty and staff with the presentation of a valid ECU One Card.

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## TUNE IN EVERY DAY



East Carolina University.

Thomas Harriot College of Arts and Sciences

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Presents

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The Thomas Harriot Lecture

7:00 p.m., Thursday, April 6, 2017

Wright Auditorium



Co-sponsored by The Thomas Harriot College of Arts and Sciences; ECU Division of Academic Affairs; Division of Health Sciences; Division of Research, Economic Development, and Engagement; Division of Student Affairs; College of Fine Arts and Communication; and the Honors College.

For tickets, visit [www.ecu.edu/voyages](http://www.ecu.edu/voyages).

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## ALCOHOL, PARTIES, &amp; THE LAW

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Author of the College Student's Guide to the Law

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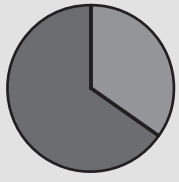
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# Our view

## TEC supports U.K. after recent tragedy

The City of London is reeling from a terrorist attack that has, at the time of publication, reportedly left five people dead and 40 injured. The attack took place yesterday afternoon outside the city's Houses of Parliament and led to city wide panic and disorder.

The attacker first drove a speeding vehicle into a crowd of pedestrians including school children who were standing on the Westminster Bridge. A man armed with a knife was stopped while trying to enter the Parliament building where he stabbed an unarmed police officer before being shot dead by the police at the scene.

While Scotland Yard believes it knows the identity of the suspect, as of yesterday evening, the assailant's identity had not been released. London's Acting Deputy Police Commissioner Mark Rowley said police suspect the terrorist attack was inspired by Islamist extremism.

We, the editorial staff of The East Carolinian, stand in solidarity with the people of London in the face of this horrific tragedy. As a generation that has witnessed a spike in acts of terrorism develop throughout our lives, it is critical that we never become complacent in our solidarity with suffering areas of our world and never forget to feel a connection to our fellow humans.

We must also reaffirm our understanding that this attacker does not represent the 2.9 million Muslims in the United Kingdom or the 1.7 billion Muslims in the world. Horrendous actions like the ones London has seen yesterday are committed by crazed individuals inspired by a litany of motives encompassing all walks of life, not specifically inspired by any one or general set of beliefs. Terror does not define the experience of whole swaths of people, in its purpose, it seeks to separate us, and we should never allow it to be successful in dividing us as a society.

# Technology to make a change



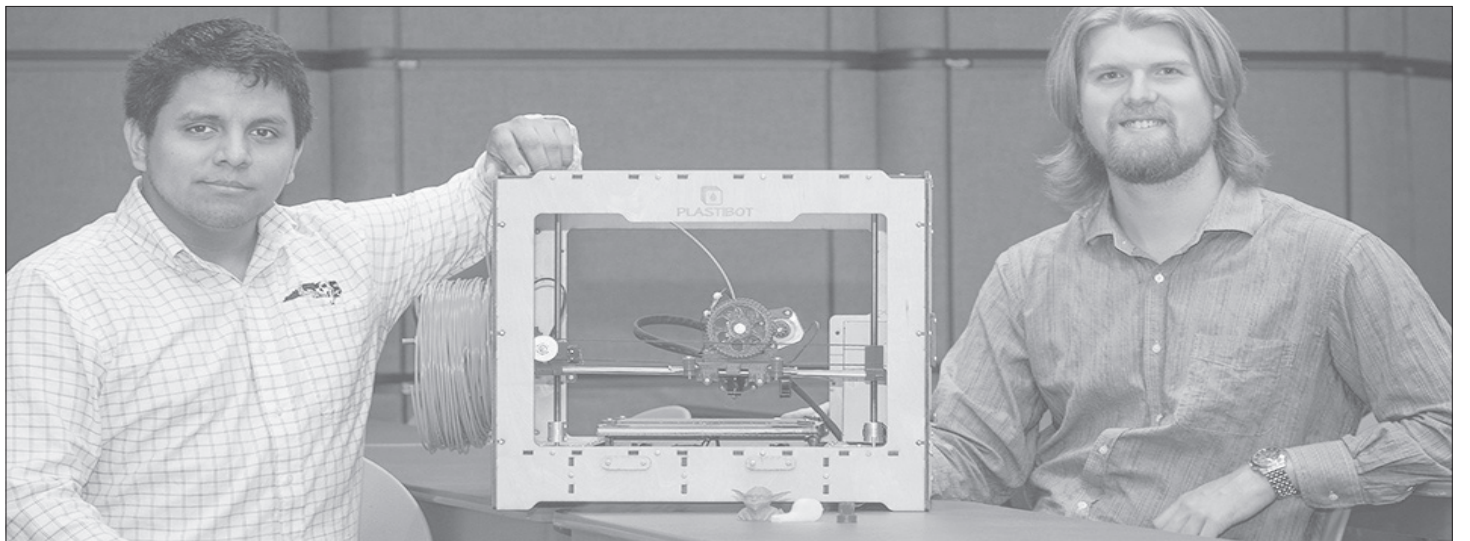
**Will Zahran**  
GUEST COLUMNIST

This past Saturday, East Carolina's Innovation Design Lab hosted its inaugural InnovateECU Make-A-Thon event. That may have sounded like nonsense, but let me explain why it is one of the most underrated initiatives at ECU. Innovation Design

Lab (IDL) opened its doors a little over a year ago on Jarvis Street, and it is now equipped with 3-D printers, Mac desktops, animation design technology and much more. Fortunately, since I have a few friends much smarter than myself who work at IDL, I get to hear about the awesome things going on there.

Most recently, IDL hosted InnovateECU, a "make-a-thon" competition designed to pose a problem to teams of students asking them to come up with innovative solutions. Those solutions could be in the form of a new product, business or service. This year's event was focused on natural disasters including preparation, response and relief.

The guidelines are not too narrow to allow for creativity. Seven teams, totaling about 30 students, pitched their ideas to a panel of judges



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ECU's Innovative Design Lab located on Jarvis Street contains a 3-D printer as well as Mac desktops, animation design technology and more.

for a chance to win some funding to turn their idea into a reality. The two winning ideas tackled problems regarding access to internet during a crisis and mosquito infestations due to still water.

It is inspiring to be reminded of the passion ECU students have for their community. The room was full of bright students and dedicated faculty members building solutions for the problems eastern North Carolina faces as a result of disasters like Hurricane Matthew. I

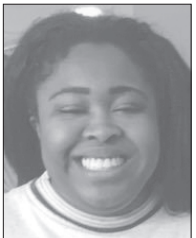
would even argue that there were no real losers in the "make-a-thon," as everyone walked away with new ideas and a community of support to implement those ideas, even though two teams were awarded funding.

Innovation Design Lab has been growing steadily over the past year as their available technology increases as well as the number of students involved. It provides students with valuable opportunities to solve real-world problems using hands-on equipment and practices.

It also enables them to pursue their interests outside of the classroom and enact real change. I expect the university will continue to support IDL over the coming years as there is increasing interest and community support. I hope that community members and local businesses also see the value in IDL and continue to partner with students to support their ideas.

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# Politicians need to respond to protests



**Blessing Aghimien**  
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The faces and voices of many frustrated constituents have become notorious in the media lately, this time in the form of attendance at GOP Town Halls in various states around the country.

People of all ages, genders and races who have voted on both sides of the aisle have stood firm in their strong uprising against the current president's policies, administration and rhetoric.

Behind the virality of the 7-year-old Arkansas child receiving thunderous applause for speaking to Tom Cotton or the woman bringing up Elizabeth Warren to a noticeably uneasy Mitch McConnell are many others who bring their concerns to these politicians in hope for change and a chance to be heard. Issues such as healthcare, immigration and education have been discussed in these Town Halls, and have given a platform to the ordinary citizen to have their words validated in the faces of those who sit on Capitol Hill. These concerns are both relevant and

legitimate. These legitimized concerns can lead people to become visibly and rightfully passionate. If this passion is shown through non-violent protest, then by all means, they should keep protesting. If this passion is shown through non-violent anger, then by all means, they have every right to be angry. No one has a place to tell someone how they should or need to feel about something. Not the senators, not the representatives, not even the person in the highest seat of the land.

In the midst of the anger, I hear pain in the voices of many. For some, that pain stems from feelings of fear, betrayal, disbelief or all three combined in an unsettling concoction of emotions. Despite the diverse blend of emotions, the only one that seems to reach the minds of most politicians from the Right is the one of anger, which has led to a number of them evading such meetings. Their reasoning? The hecklers and possible danger, of course.

Senator Marco Rubio is one of several right-wingers who have refused to hold Town Hall meetings, defending his actions by telling the media that activists will "scream and yell" at him. Rubio sees a "hostile atmosphere" in Town Halls as of recent, which

sounds like nothing other than an insufficient excuse for his cop-out. If Rubio envisioned Town Halls as always being a space of sunny skies and citizens singing "Kumbaya," he has some re-evaluations to make. In his moment of cowardice, I would advise Rubio to learn a thing or two from a fellow politician, Former Rep. Gabby Giffords.

In a 2011 shooting, Giffords was critically wounded outside a Tucson supermarket where she was meeting with constituents. Despite being shot on a Saturday morning, Giffords' offices were open to the public come Monday morning. Despite being shot while meeting with constituents, Giffords made sure that those same constituents were given the opportunity to reach her if needed. After months of recovery, Giffords wasn't deterred because she knew she had a responsibility. The responsibility of a politician.

With responsibility comes the real world. The government works for the American people, not the other way around. It is the job of a public official to hear out their constituents, the supportive and the critical, in order to validate the voices of the American people. The failure to do such a thing should be taken as a straying step from our nation's demo-

cratic process.

The ability to critique the government is a huge asset when it comes to making our country one of democracy. Our forefathers knew that when they decided to guarantee free speech as a right to all Americans with the First Amendment. One cannot simply turn their back on democracy. Ducking away from the rage may only lead to voters taking it out in the voting booth. No matter the party, if politicians cannot do so much as listen to voters, voters can and should vote for the politicians that will.

Instead of President Trump being stuck in the mindset that people are being paid to protest, our Commander-in-Chief has the responsibility to be open to the criticism. As president, you must represent, defend, and protect all Americans. Not just your inner circle or the top one percent. The ones who didn't vote for you. The ones who make less money than you. The ones who have something to say to you at each and every one of those Town Halls meetings.

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## TODAY

**2017 Spring Fashion Show**  
Bevello in Arlington Village  
7 p.m.

**Dance 2017**  
McGinnis Theatre  
8 p.m.

## FRIDAY

**Sip, Savor and Create**  
Emerge Gallery and Art Center  
6:30 p.m.

**Dance 2017**  
McGinnis Theatre  
8 p.m.

## SATURDAY

**Dickinson Avenue After Dark**  
Eighth Street, between Dickinson Avenue and Washington Avenue  
7 p.m.

**Dance 2017**  
McGinnis Theatre  
8 p.m.

**Kappa Kappa Psi Recital**  
Fletcher Music Hall  
4 p.m.

## SATURDAY

**Dance 2017**  
McGinnis Theatre  
2 p.m.

# Spazz Fest VIII



The Out of Limits performs. It will kick off day one of Spazz Fest at Fire American Tavern tonight.

## Four-day music event to start tonight

Lauren Sura  
TEC STAFF

Jose Hernandez  
TEC STAFF



With four days packed full of events, Spazz Fest will return for its eighth year of music and community in Greenville starting today.

Spazz Fest was created before it became an actual festival. The Spazzetorium was a venue on Dickinson Avenue where creator Jeff Blinder booked shows.

Over the years, the venue shut down, but Blinder wouldn't let that stop his impact on the Greenville music community.

"He noticed that there was a particular weekend where a lot of bands really wanted to play and it happened to be after South by Southwest, when a lot of bands were making their way back up the east coast," Alyssa Karpa, Blinder's partner, said.

The event is a four-day music festival, with each day featuring four to eight events, with at least four different music performances in the evenings.

The event started yesterday evening at the pre-party at Trollingwood Taproom and Brewery, where event-goers could pick up a festival pass or golden ticket, giving them easy access to the events.

The festival features a variety of bands and genres from all over the east coast and some from the midwest and west coast.

"We tried not to book the same genre of music at the same time so whatever you're interested in you can find something to go to," Karpa said.

Kicking off day one of Spazz Fest at Fire American Tavern, and back again for the third time is The Out of Limits – an intro-surf/punk group based out of Greenville.

Born out of a mix of interdimensional enlightenment and planet exploration, The Out of Limits members have elected to preserve their anonymity; only being referred to by their proper titles and wearing tinfoil hats.

"It's a mix of all the craziest conspiracy theories you can find out here," said guitarist and theremin master Mercurius Ter Maximus – chthonian soul-thief, prankster-high-priest and Minister of Propaganda.

From the extra-terrestrial crashing at

Roswell, New Mexico to the possible NASA structure at the Zeeman Crater, The Out of Limits' mission is to show the world that there is no such thing as coincidence.

"We're just trying to grab all of it and cram it together, and we believe it all," said Ace Quantum, suave interstellar super-spy who occasionally moonlights as an earthly drummer.

With their Demo EP "Rough Masters" already in tow, the group is in a limbo of sorts – caught between the quasi-ethereal realm of their main mission and submitting to the whims of their own musical prowess.

"We have more songs, it's just a matter of going to a recording studio and putting it together," Field Marshal Raumschiff, keyboardist and master of the telekinetic arts, said.

Inspired by the surf bands of yore, along with extensive backgrounds in punk and metal, the key themes of the band's presence are what fuel the creativity behind the illusive monikers and the name of the group itself.

"We all grew up listening to that stuff, and when we formed the band it kind of just came naturally to us," The Mighty Dr. Illusion, bassist and chrono-criminal/master of time, said.

Along with Tom Tato, A.K.A. The Man with Two Organoids, a liege of guitar and androgyny, The Out of Limits is thankful to lift the veil of complacency off the heads of ECU students.

"We really appreciate being in the same town as ECU," Mercurius Ter Maximus said. "When you do something as weird as we do, it's good to be around this type of crowd."

The "Spazz" team tries to showcase as many local musicians as possible, and reaches out to bands the group has worked with before.

"I hope it makes the community aware that Greenville has a lot of talent," Karpa said. "There's so many musicians in this one area and it's important to create a venue for these musicians to play."

The organization books events year round in Greenville and in Philadelphia.

"I also think it's interesting to create something different, cause there's music that happens all the time but Spazz Fest is something different," Karpa said. "It's big, it's an event that people look forward to and I think it definitely helps keep that music scene alive."

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# Fraternity band to host spring show

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Celebrating its 16th anniversary, band fraternity Kappa Kappa Psi will host its spring recital in Fletcher Music Hall Saturday at 4 p.m.

Sarah Dumont, a sophomore music therapy major, holds the leading title as music chair. Having already had a performance this fall, Dumont took it upon herself to build more experiences in her new position to lead her first recital this spring.

"I'm the music chair for Kappa Kappa Psi and we are supposed to hold a recital every year," said Dumont.

Dumont has targeted the performance towards those who enjoy listening to music, but find themselves drifting off into an abyss.

"We have people playing songs and music, and then we have like a couple skits to break it up so it's not like all music," she said. "It's to break up the music so everyone is not like, 'Oh music all the time.'"

It is not always for certain that the audience picks up on the theme of a musical performance. As it tends to get involved in the rhythmic beats and unfamiliar sounds, the audience can easily become withdrawn from the significance of the performance itself.

"Some of the themes (are) we're going to have something that celebrates the women of Kappa Kappa Psi, and then something that's the men, like a brotherhood skit," said Dumont.

Kappa Kappa Psi, a coed Fraternity, ensured that both genders would be recognized in its recital.

"I want people to see how easy it is for a bunch of people with different backgrounds who are different majors, to see how easy it is for them together and like make music. Music is like my thing," said Dumont. "I also want people to come out, have a good time, listen to some different genres of music that they may not listen to originally on their own."

With today's societal issues, Kappa Kappa Psi had the inspiration to dedicate its 16th anniversary theme towards unity.

"It's not necessarily perfect," said Dumont. "We drilled the music for six hours every single week. It's a bunch of people from different majors and different backgrounds coming together and making music and having fun."

The Kappa Kappa Psi band will be performing music from the classical genre all the way to show tunes and modern day contemporary music.

"We have what we call the Kappa Sigma Jazz Band," said Dumont. "They're not playing jazz this time, but they're playing 'We Are the World' because that is what we are going to be playing for Play for Peace."

There will be various solos from singing to playing the tuba and the saxophone, as well as what Dumont referred to as "an unusual" pair: a clarinet and trombone duet.

To pull together the theme of unity, playing "We Are the World" is meant to connect the crowd and the band participants to fulfill the experience of Kappa Kappa Psi's 16th anniversary.

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# PiCASO to host adult-only event

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A new event is popping up on Dickinson Avenue, a brewery hotspot in Uptown Greenville.

"I think folks will be surprised by the area of Greenville that they may not have been to before, but which is growing and developing," said Aaron Lucier, one of the Dickinson Avenue After Dark coordinators. "There is a lot of new things coming to this area."

Dickinson Avenue After Dark is an event hosted by Pitt County AIDS Service Organization, which is a volunteer group focused on breaking the stigma around HIV and AIDS. Lucier is PiCASO's Board President in addition to helping coordinate DAAD.

"This is the first event like this for PiCASO," said Lucier. "Our partners, Uptown Greenville, have hosted events like this, but this is the first event like this at this particular location."

Lucier's position with PiCASO is a volunteer position that allows him to support what he is passionate about.

"The draw for [DAAD] is combining my passions for supporting HIV/AIDS



DAP House sits on Dickinson Avenue where the events of Dickinson Avenue After Dark will take place.

prevention and my love for craft beer," he said. "I have been to fun events like this before, in other areas, and wanted to replicate it here in Greenville."

The adult-only festival will feature musical performances by Lipbone Redding, Jessy Esterline and a few others that have yet to be

announced. There will also be food available, such as Patty Cakes adult bite-sized cupcakes and food from Shep's Farm to Truck food truck. This will not be the first time that PiCASO has partnered with restaurants.

"PiCASO hosts a monthly drag brunch on the second Sunday of each month at The

Scullery," said Lucier.

In addition to the food, Dickinson Avenue After Dark will have a few attractions and a series of breweries participating, including local favorites like Uptown Brewing Company and Trollingwood Taproom & Brewery.

"It is a free event. Beer samples, beer and food will be available at a charge," Lucier said. "There will also be a divination tent to get your fortune told, as well as a few other surprises."

Other breweries involved include non-locals such as Tarboro Brewing Company, 217 Brew Works, Mother Earth Brewing, The Duck-Rabbit Craft Brewery and 3rd Rock Brewing.

Though PiCASO has already gathered large interest on social media, this event is the first of its kind for the organization.

"I would love to add, just come check it out, this is a first year," said Lucier. "The event will return and grow."

The event will be located on 8th Street, between Dickinson Avenue and Washington Avenue, this Saturday.

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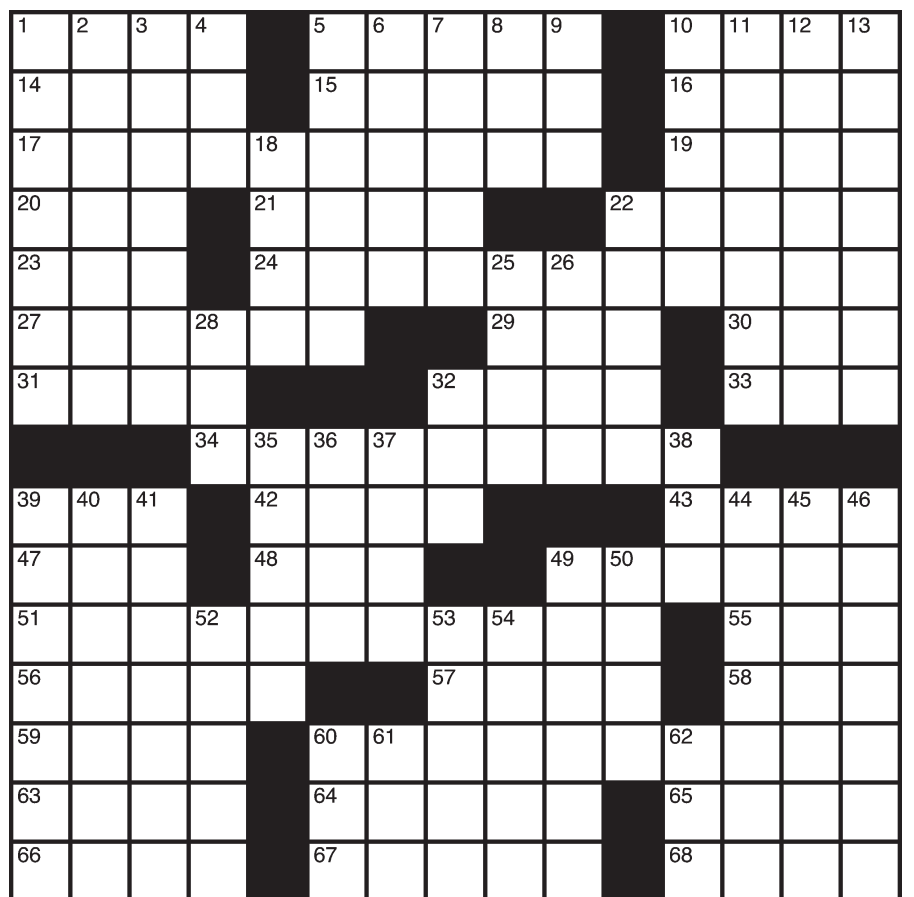
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### ACROSS

- 1 \_\_\_ torch: party light
- 5 Gone from one's plate
- 10 "Eleni" author Nicholas
- 14 Nailed, as a test
- 15 Carne \_\_\_: taco filling
- 16 Loads (of)
- 17 \*Home of baseball's Royals
- 19 Online journal
- 20 Terminate
- 21 Sign light
- 22 Dutch cheese
- 23 Federal hush-hush org.
- 24 \*Diagonally
- 27 Lament
- 29 Clod
- 30 "Silk Stockings" actress Charisse
- 31 Wine collector's datum
- 32 Gumbo vegetable
- 33 Laugh half
- 34 \*Large venomous snake
- 39 Young fellow
- 42 Opposite of spicy
- 43 Nile wading bird
- 47 Here, in Haiti
- 48 Santa \_\_\_ winds
- 49 GI's mess work
- 51 \*Hang out (with)
- 55 X, in old Rome
- 56 Cultural spirit
- 57 Not on base when req.
- 58 Org. whose awards ceremony Vince Gill hosted or co-hosted from 1992-2003
- 59 Indian bread
- 60 \*Martial arts move
- 63 Raison d' \_\_\_
- 64 Exchange suggestive glances, say
- 65 Cub scout units
- 66 Marries
- 67 Strikeout victim of poetry, and a phonetic hint to the answers to starred clues
- 68 Canadian tribe



### DOWN

- 1 Impressed with
- 2 Words when the blindfold comes off
- 3 Japanese ball-and-cups toy
- 4 Passports, e.g.
- 5 Enter slowly
- 6 Foppish neckwear
- 7 Besmirch
- 8 Summer hrs. at Yankee Stadium
- 9 Thumbs-down vote
- 10 Eva or Zsa Zsa
- 11 Out for a midday meal
- 12 The one without the patch, for Bazooka Joe
- 13 Dueler's cry
- 18 "Puppy Love" singer Paul
- 22 Excel in one's career
- 25 Ono from Tokyo
- 26 Low-\_\_\_ diet
- 28 Mork's planet
- 32 Med. condition that may involve excessive hand-washing
- 35 Apple desktops

### Tuesday's Puzzle Solved



- 36 Bogotá boy
- 37 Glittery rock genre
- 38 Help
- 39 Refurbished
- 40 Protective plastic film
- 41 Fanatically devoted
- 44 Cleaver user
- 45 Agenda start
- 46 Neural transmission point
- 49 \_\_\_ pine: paneling wood
- 50 Gomer of TV
- 52 Corn breads
- 53 "Les Misérables" city
- 54 Not clueless
- 60 Col. Sanders' chain
- 61 \_\_\_ carte
- 62 Atlanta-based public health org.

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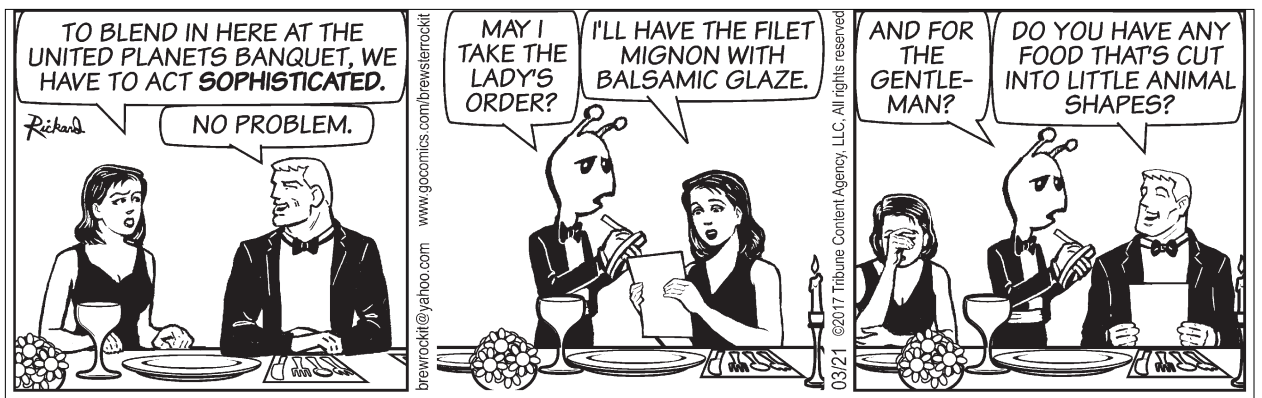
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Complete the grid so each row, column and 3-by-3 box (in bold borders) contains every digit, 1 to 9. For strategies on how to solve Sudoku, visit [www.sudoku.org.uk](http://www.sudoku.org.uk)

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## Softball splits midweek games

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The East Carolina softball team split a pair of midweek games against two in-state opponents with a walkoff win over Campbell before a loss against Elon.

In a final tuneup game before conference play, the Pirates played a surging Elon team Wednesday, falling to the Phoenix 10-9.

ECU faced an early 5-0 deficit after the third inning to Elon after a reversal of an out call at first base, which would have ended the inning.

Elon scored its fourth run and the Phoenix took advantage, earning another run after that. The call flustered the Pirates and they started the game down 9-0 after the top of the fourth inning.

Although this call hurt the Pirates, ECU head coach Courtney Oliver did not blame them on the loss of her team.

"Obviously we felt pretty passionate about both of those plays, they were supposed to be the other way," Oliver said. "But you know, all the little things we did prior to put ourselves in that position is what got us in trouble, so I wouldn't necessarily say those two calls, while they were game changers, I wouldn't say they were the reason why we lost."

The Pirates fought back from a nine-run deficit in the fourth inning to cut it within one in the bottom of the seventh, but came up just short.

Although her team could not come back and win, Oliver was happy with the effort the team put in to come back from such a large deficit.

Oliver said if the team can fix its defensive problems, it will be fine by the time conference play starts up this weekend against Memphis.

"All season long, we give great effort," Oliver said. "We have to do a better job tightening up our defense in the middle innings.



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ECU left fielder Ali Ramirez hits against Elon in the Pirates' matinee Wednesday. She was the walk off hero Tuesday when she hit a two-run homer.

There are a lot of plays where we weren't really there for, and unfortunately defense is a big part of this game."

Tuesday, the Pirates faced Campbell in a 6-5 win at home where outfielder Ali Ramirez proved why Oliver's season message of ECU being a seventh inning team is true with her walk off home run.

Trailing 5-4 to start the bottom of the seventh, infielder Meredith Burroughs singled down the right field line after what seemed to be a long at-bat. She read the pitch of Camel pitcher Amber Schisler to knock a hit down the right field line for a single.

After pinch runner Ashley Weingartz came in for Burroughs, catcher Alex Mycek hit the ball to the shortstop that awarded her a single, but got Weingartz tagged out at second. No double play was attempted however,

although spectators would argue there was a clear shot for the double play. Ramirez stepped up to the plate and cranked the second pitch over the right field wall for the walkoff victory.

"I tried to treat it as it was the fourth inning rather than the bottom of the seventh," Ramirez said. "I was taking outside pitches all game, so I knew they were going to throw me an outside pitch. I saw it and I just drove it."

ECU fell behind early as Campbell (17-16) took a 2-0 lead with just one out in the first on an Schisler home run.

The Pirates then gained control in the bottom of the third as they tacked on three runs. After starting Camel pitcher Megan Richards was pulled for Holly Brooks, it looked to be a three-up, three-down inning with Burroughs and Mycek hitting into two quick outs.

However, Ciara Ervin reached base on a throwing error to first that scored Karlie Smith who picked up the first hit of the inning for the Pirates. Directly after that, Kacie Oshiro doubled to bring home Ervin and Megan Quick. The three-run inning ended after Ramirez struck out swinging.

The Camels took a one-run lead in the fourth after another two-run homer by Caroline Smith, who had three runs batted in on the day. Both teams picked up one run in the fifth inning before Ramirez became the hero in the seventh.

"This year has been kinda great for us in the bottom of the seventh," Oliver said. "We've just always rallied behind our hitters and never lost confidence."

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