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Election Day hits ECU, city

Student leaders express importance of voting

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TEC STAFF

When glancing across the campus of East Carolina University, most people can see students walking to and from their classes, but today, many students can also be seen taking time out of their everyday schedules to vote in Greenville's 2017 municipal elections.

Since early voting began on Oct. 18, the Willis Building downtown, as well as other precincts, have been brought to life by the sudden burst in activity. By just driving down the road, students can see billboards stating campaign slogans or signs with candidate names in the yards of local residents, the fact that it is election season seems almost impossible to avoid.

However, for some ECU student leaders, the amount of student presence in the local elections is still up in the air.

"I think there is a lot of apathy for student voters but also there's not a lot of knowledge of the election," Zealy Helms, the secretary of ECU's College Democrats, said. "I was out on the mall on Friday, asking people if they had plans to vote, and most of them didn't even know there was an election going on right now."

Helms, a freshman biochemistry major, participated in a march to the polls the organization held Friday, where the club encouraged people to march with them to the Willis Building to vote that day. She said, for her, local elections were just as important, if not more important, than national elections, which is why she wanted to make sure she voted by voting early.

"Local elections are where, in my opinion, it's where politics kind of start from the ground up," she said. "Who you vote for in local elections will influence state government which influences the federal government, so it's just really important for me personally to vote, because that's how my voice is heard."

Voting locations will be open today from 6:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. for all registered voters, according to Pitt County's Board of Elections website. Polling places include the Willis Building on 300 E 1st Street and the First Presbyterian Church on 1400 S Elm Street, among others.

According to the website, voter registration cards are not needed to cast a ballot, but first-time voters will have to bring either their North Carolina driver's license or the last four digits of their social security number. If the identification can not be verified, an individual may be asked to show a current and valid photo ID and a utility bill, pay stub, bank statement or government agency document with a name and current address, according to information on the website.

ECU College Republicans president Trey Jerman said

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Charlie Kirk, founder of Turning Point USA, compared political systems to ECU students Monday in Mendenhall Student Center.

Kirk talks Capitalism

Turning Point founder compares political systems

Julie Estep
FOR THE EAST CAROLINIAN

Turning Point USA founder Charlie Kirk came to East Carolina University last night, where he aimed to "smash" socialism and highlighted the advantages of a capitalist society during a stop on his "The Melting Snowflakes & Smashing Socialism Campus Tour."

Kirk, a controversial political speaker, spoke to more than 200 people in Mendenhall Student Center, hosted by Turning Point USA. Turning Point USA, which Kirk founded in 2012, is a nonpartisan political organization which focuses on spreading the idea of limited government.

"Capitalism is the absence

of government involvement in the economy," Kirk said in his speech.

Kirk said the goal of his speech was to tell students his viewpoints, which he believes might not be typically heard in lecture halls or frequently on campus.

In his speech, Kirk said America has set a good example for other countries when it comes to increasing the amount of diversity in the world.

"This might come as a statement you might not have heard, but America is the least racist country in western civilization," Kirk said in his speech, as the room responded with laughter. "Nowhere but America are there this many racial, ethnic and religious



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Audience members hold up Turning Point signs during speech.

backgrounds able to peacefully coexist together."

Kirk said the "three P's" which are key to capitalists societies are prices, profits and private property.

"We (Turning Point) believe prices matter and are an

indicator of what people want, how they want things and when they want them," Kirk said during his speech. "Profit, in order for entrepreneurs and businesses to exist, they have to

Parole given in St. Patty's assault case

Matthew Prenskey
TEC STAFF

Six Greenville residents were sentenced to one year of probation Monday in relation to a double assault that occurred on St. Patrick's Day 2016.

Theresa Marie Lee, 23, Christopher James Hill, 21, Mack Humbles, 26, Mark Privette, 33, Jesse Clay Wilbourn, 22 and Chase Montanye, 19, all received one year's probation, according to sentencing information from the Pitt County Courthouse.

All six suspects were originally charged with one felony count of assault inflicting serious bodily injury on Patrick Myrick, 26 on March 17, 2016. The crime began in the early hours of St. Patrick's Day when the group left Club 519. According to 911 recordings, after Myrick pushed Amber Best, 23 to the ground, a "street fight" began.

"The victim in this incident is African-American; the suspects are all white. We understand the investigation thus far provides no confirmation that race played a role," said former ECU Chancellor Steve

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ECU TO COMMEMORATE VETERANS THIS WEEK



THOMAS WEYBRECHT | THE EAST CAROLINIAN

Flags honoring current and past service members displayed on ECU's mall yesterday as part of a field of honor. The flags were sold by the Pirate Veterans Organization to raise money for student veteran scholarships. This week, ECU will hold a number of events in honor of Veterans Day Saturday.

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OUR VIEW

Local elections deserve attention from students

After months of campaigning to students at East Carolina University and other Greenville residents, the elections for Greenville City Council and the mayoral race will take place today.

We, the editorial staff of The East Carolinian, feel students and residents need to begin to pay more attention to what is going on in the community, especially when voting in the municipal elections. When it comes to electing local officials, it is very important for every Greenville resident to exercise their voting rights and play a role when selecting representatives in our local government.

Voting gives Greenville residents the power to play a role in our local community government, from campus and road safety to economical improvement. Greenville voters also have the chance to hold candidates accountable for their campaign promises when at the voting booth, and casting that ballot binds them to their candidate of choice and the progressive future they hope to have with them in office.

The time has come for students and residents in Greenville to use their right to vote and elect the candidate of their choice that would best benefit the community. All there is to do now is find a voting area near you and make the appropriate plans to exercise your democratic rights.

Today is the last call, so we urge students who have not yet cast their vote to get out to a voting booth and make sure your voice is heard.

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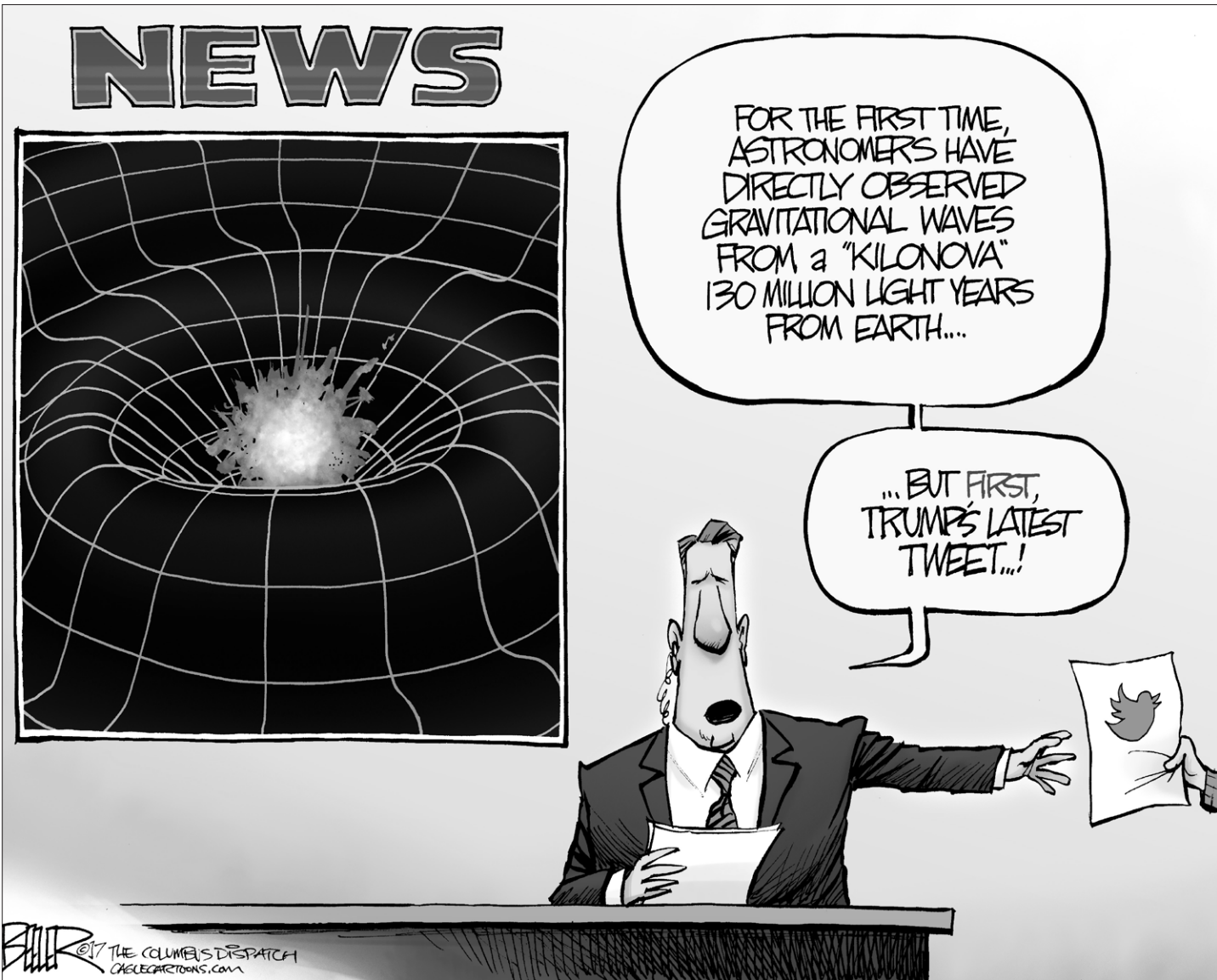
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Gun debate needs facts



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Don't Mind Matt

At least 26 people lost their lives Sunday at a church worshipping God. They were enjoying their passion for Christianity, amongst the comfort of being with friends, family and fellow Christians.

On what many consider the Lord's day, these 26 Americans became 26 angels, called to Heaven far too soon. For that reason, among a million others, the sadness I feel in my heart can only be expressed in a simple, but lackluster phrase, "My deepest condolences are with the victims, their families, their community and their friends."

The phrase is lackluster because expressing sadness is a matter of politeness. It's no commitment to action or promise of help. Quite simply, it won't bring back the dead or heal the piercing wound left by the power of a gun.

What will it take for this nation to understand we face a problem that is becoming more frequent? The problem is mass shootings. It's taken innocent children from their parents, kind neighbors from their communities and loving Americans from their significant others.

It should be clear mass shootings are a problem. However, while America mourns the loss of yet more innocent bystanders, before liberals decry gun violence and conservatives staunchly defend gun rights, let's reach one common understanding. We don't know what the true problem is.

Liberals will say America has too many guns without enough regulations. Conservatives will say the Second Amendment is a fundamental right, which shouldn't be infringed.

However, before we consider gun reform, gun rights or anything of the sort, let's gather the facts. Let's use the tax dollars millions of American pay and allow the Center for Disease Control and Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives to conduct an unimpeded, unbiased and truly independent assessment of that state of guns in America.

If we don't truly understand the problem surrounding mass shootings, how can we accurately correct the issue?

When a person goes to the hospital complaining of chest pain, no sane surgeon will immediately perform open-heart surgery. A team of doctors will perform tests to find the appropriate treatment for the issue. The same should be performed for mass shootings.

Let us gather a team, in this case the CDC, ATF and other government agencies. Let us then allow them free

range to test America's policies on guns, mental health, immigration and any other topic which they deem related to the problem of mass shootings.

It seems only logical to gather all the facts before we make any decision about how to handle mass shootings.

It's clear mass shootings are becoming more regular, but that shouldn't stop us from conducting a thorough review and reaching a sound conclusion of why mass shootings seem to be happening.

However, while we must proceed with care to understand why mass shootings are happening, we should do so soon. No American should have to die, especially when there is a path forward on how to stop mass shootings.

It is my greatest fear as a college student who goes to a university in a state proud of its guns, that my loved ones will be the next victim of a mass shooting. I can't fathom the horror of losing a loved one to a mass shooting.

Therefore, before another innocent American has to be buried because of a mass shooting, let us unify in our understanding that we need more facts before making a decision on how to stop mass shootings.

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Society favors certain surnames



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Bless The Press

In an effort to bring together young girls for the future of female advancement and empowerment, Glamour Magazine and Orange is the New Black actress Uzo Aduba hosted the International Day of the Girl rally last month, where Aduba delivered a speech that earned her a standing ovation.

When using her opening keynote speech to discuss the reason why she made the conscious decision to not change her Nigerian name for the convenience of Hollywood, Aduba referred to her mother as she told the audience the story of when she came back home after a day of name ridicule from her classmates :

"I went home and asked my mother if I could be called Zoe. I remember she was cooking, and in her Nigerian accent she said, 'Why?' I said, 'Nobody can pronounce it.' Without missing a beat, she said, 'If they can learn to say Tchaikovsky and Michelangelo and Dostoyevsky, they can learn to say Uzoamaka.'"

Aduba's remarks also gives way to the acknowledgement of a well-neglected subset of racial discrimination: surname discrimination.

Growing up as a child of two Nigerian immigrants was a journey in itself. The last name "Aghimien" subjected me to years of ridicule that are forever engrained into my mind. From the tight crossing of fingers when it came time for a substitute teacher to take attendance to the close mispronunciation of my surname as I walked across the stage at my own high school graduation, each joke and poor pronunciation attempt targeted at my name's expense mounted up to a feeling that at times, still are sound to my 19-year-old self: the feeling of being less than.

Surname discrimination also transcends beyond the classroom, as stated in the findings of a 2017 study. Researchers at Northwestern University, Harvard University and Norway's Institute for Social Research looked at every available field experiment on hiring discrimination from 1989 through 2015. Their research found that anti-black racism in hiring is unchanged since at least 1989, and concluded that on average, "white applicants receive 36% more callbacks than equally qualified African Americans while white applicants receive on average 24% more callbacks than Latinos."

Despite your birthplace or your crystal clear native accent, a last name can subject someone to a lifetime of ridicule and disrespect, all stemming from an

unhealthy assumption.

It's easy to simply attribute a mistake when pronouncing a name to a poor-tasting joke. However, once a poor-tasting joke makes the transition to a bad habit, it's even easier to lose mindfulness of what may offend others.

It's okay to mess up when pronouncing someone else's name. We are humans and we are all bound to make mistakes. What isn't okay is turning a mispronunciation of a name into a comedy performance or an encore of apologies. Apologize once, ask politely how the name is pronounced and attempt once more. Don't shake your head, only to move on to the Johnsons or Clarks or Martins in an effort to minimize your error.

Along with racial discrimination, we must not forget that surname discrimination is alive and well in today's society. America is a country that thrives and flourishes with differences in race, ethnicity, religion, gender, sexuality and of course, surnames. Until each person in every one of the 50 states recognizes that, we're at a standstill when it comes to making the necessary steps towards a more just nation.

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Trevon Brown receives extra year

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Senior wide receiver Trevon Brown will be granted an extra year of eligibility, thanks to a redshirt he received last season instead of the original ruling of being ineligible, according to head coach Scottie Montgomery.

“Yes, he will be eligible to play football next year,” Montgomery said.

Brown, when healthy, has been one of ECU’s biggest threats this season and in his career playing for the Pirates. In his last game against the University of Houston, Brown caught 11 passes for 141 yards and two touchdowns leading all ECU receivers.

This season, he joined three other receivers on the roster in Jimmy Williams, Davon Grayson and



Trevon Brown

returning for one extra year next

Quay Johnson as 1,000-yard receivers in their careers. Brown currently has 599 yards so far this season and 1,359 in his career.

With Brown

season, it will give ECU the leadership it will need for the 2018-19 campaign as Williams and Grayson are due to graduate. The big play capability and great hands could catapult him into the No. 1 role at wide receiver as long as he stays healthy.

“I expect his role to improve and increase as we continue to go on, I expect his catches to go up,”

wide receivers coach Keith Gaither said. “He’s going to become one of our main playmakers and we are going to feature him.”

Tyler Gavin contributed to this report.

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Defense fails ECU in Houston

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Nothing looked good for East Carolina University’s defense in its American Athletic Conference matchup against the University of Houston on Saturday.

The Cougars 6-3, 4-2 AAC, continued to light up the Pirates’ defense like ECU’s previous opponents have done. Houston’s quarterback D’Eriq King, who before this was listed as a running back/wide receiver on the roster, received his first start for the team and led them to a 25 point victory, in a defensive takedown, 52-27.

“I think the one thing is we have got to continue to grow our leadership on the team both vocal and active,” head coach Scottie Montgomery said during his weekly presser.

Though the Pirates’ offense had to adjust to captain quarterback Gardner Minshew entering the game in the first half for Thomas Sirk, the offense almost competed with the Cougars. Minshew had a field day, airing the ball out for 463 yards three touchdowns, for an ECU program record of 52 completions. However, his efforts, along with wide receiver Trevon Brown’s two touchdowns, were not enough to turn it around.

“(We’ve) got to get better and try to find a way to see some of our young players,” Montgomery said. “We are going to definitely try and build on some of the young players,



RYAN CUMMINS | THE EAST CAROLINIAN

Linebackers Bruce Bivens (38) and Cannon Gibbs (33) combine to complete tackle against BYU Oct. 21.

not turn our back whatsoever on our older players.”

Houston becomes the seventh team to defeat ECU (2-7, 1-6 AAC) by 20 or more points this season. The Pirates have struggled against dual-threat quarterbacks, losing to AAC conference opponents: the University of South Florida, the University of Central Florida, Temple University and now Houston.

King surprised the Pirates with his arm. On just 15 completions, he racked up 330 yards and three touchdowns to add to his one on the ground.

“Defensively, we’ve got to do a better job in our coverage, I think our defensive front and the guys that play close to the line of scrimmage did a good job,” Montgomery said. “They (Houston) thought they would

have a great opportunity to come in and put together some quarterback runs and different runs of sort. To see a quarterback that runs a lot beat us with his arm is very hard to watch.”

The Pirates’ secondary looked helpless, unable to make tackles or continue

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coverage downfield. Defensive back Bobby Fulp

allowed a 22-yard touchdown to Cougars running back Duke Catalon as Fulp missed an open field tackle, opening a path to the end zone. Fulp seems to have let the Pirates down with missed tackles in each game this season and also later left the game in the second half with an injury and did not return.

Houston challenged the

Pirates on deep plays and seemed to have no issue getting behind the coverage. With the Cougars playing at a quick pace, the defense, controlled by defensive coordinator Robert Prunty and defensive analyst John Gutekunst, looked sluggish once again.

“Coverage definitely has to get better; we’ve got to coach it better,” Montgomery said.

Due to ECU’s shortcomings on defense, Houston easily was able to send the Pirates back to the drawing boards as they prepare to host Tulane University this Saturday night inside Dowdy-Ficklen Stadium.

“We’re going to need all of Pirate Nation to come out and give us that same atmosphere that we had for homecoming,” Montgomery said.

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Lajoie leads swim and dive

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The East Carolina University women’s swim team has been dominated by Julie Lajoie, whose scores have consistently helped maintain the Pirate women’s 5-1 record this season.

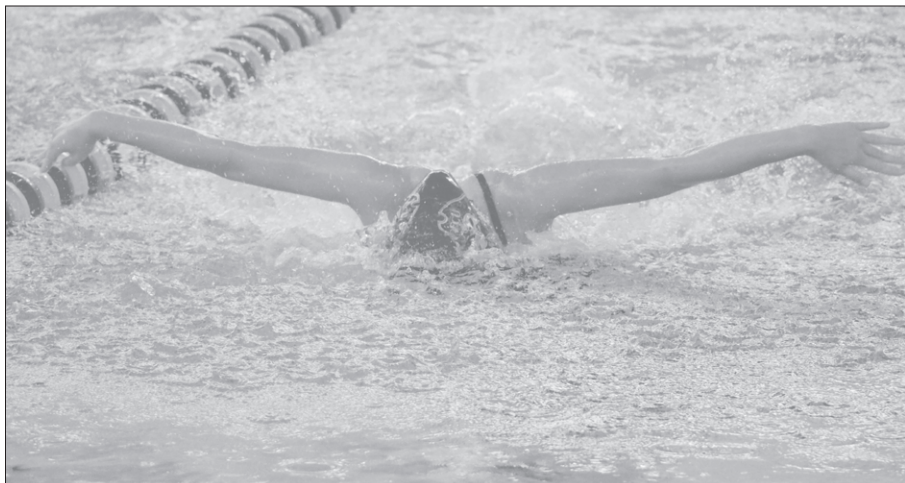
“I began to love swimming at a young age,” Lajoie said. “I had an older sister who swam and a young sister who swam too; I was part of a swimming family. I was lucky enough to swim in college and having that love for swimming and the drive and determination has helped me get to where I am.”

In her first year at ECU, Lajoie competed in seven dual meets where she was a member of the Pirates’ American Athletic Conference Championship meet squad. She scored 27 points in the AAC Championship meet and earned All-Conference honors with a third-place finish in the 400-yard Individual Medley (IM) race, earning her the ECU freshman record.

She also posted an eighth place finish in the 200-yard backstroke in the championship finals, while helping set the ECU varsity record in the 400-yard Medley Relay. Lajoie was voted ECU’s Most Outstanding Rookie and posted nine first-place finishes and eight second-place finishes, according to ECU coaches and meet results.

“When I came to ECU for the first time, I had a great time,” Lajoie said. “The team was really friendly and the coaches were awesome.”

As a sophomore, Lajoie competed in eight dual meets and scored 34 points in the AAC Championship meet. She was a two-time conference championship finalist, placing fourth in the 400-yard IM and seventh in the 200-yard butterfly.



RYAN CUMMINS | THE EAST CAROLINIAN

Swimmer Julie Lajoie competes in a butterfly event during an ECU home meet this season.

Lajoie had 21 top-three finishes during the regular season of this year with 14 individual victories in races. She was the recipient of the ECU Coaches Award and a member of the AAC All-Academic Team.

“We would train the events I would swim in, but she would train with me. It was not her best event, but she was still able to completely be competitive in it and do really well in the set even though it was not her main event,” Bridie Burke said.

In the 2016-17 season, Lajoie competed in 12 regular season meets with 35 top-three finishes and accumulated 280 dual meet points. She scored a team-high 39 points at the AAC Championship meet this season, while also recording NCAA B qualifying times in the 200-yard butterfly and 400-yard IM, which she set the ECU varsity record in for that season.

“Lajoie is incredibly versatile,” Burke said. “She swims in many different events and succeeds in every single one of them. She is able to focus on everything she does and she does it really really well which is

very admirable.”

Lajoie has improved on not only her times, but her level of contribution to the team as well.

“I have become smarter as a swimmer. I look more into my swims and analyze how I did and what I can improve on, which is something I did not do as much when I was younger,” Lajoie said.

This year, Lajoie has dominated in all of the meets beginning with the road trip to Navy and continuing up to this point in the season. Lajoie has posted multiple first places in all four meets, which has come in events such as the 100 and 200-yard butterfly, the 500-yard freestyle, the 200 and 400-yard IM and the 200-yard backstroke.

“We may have not had all the victories we have had without her on the roster,” Jabs said. “We can put her in almost anything and she is going to go out and do what she needs to do, she has been a big part of what we have accomplished thus far.”

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Pirates recap for weekend exhibitions

Staff Report
TEC STAFF

Women’s Tennis

The East Carolina University women’s tennis team capped off an excellent fall season this weekend at the Kitty Harrison Invitational in Chapel Hill.

The Pirates finished with a combined record of 3-5 in doubles and an excellent 12-5 record in singles matches. ECU had to compete without junior standout Celia Ruiz, who competed at the Oracle ITA National Fall Invitational Championships in California.

Although Ruiz fell to Mayar Sherif from Pepperdine University in the first round of women’s singles matches, she is still the only representative for ECU to log any match play in the event.

Men’s Tennis

Teams from the Big 10 and the American Athletic Conference joined East Carolina University’s men’s tennis team as they all competed in the Wake Forest Invitational this past weekend in Winston-Salem, North Carolina.

Austin Allen competed in singles with a record of 2-1 and in doubles with a record of 1-2, but also exemplified leadership qualities this weekend that will help the team in the future, according to Van Cott.

“This tournament turned into a great success because a lot of the things we have been working on in practice really started to click in the last few matches,” redshirt sophomore Austin Allen said. “This gives me a lot of confidence.”

Volleyball

The East Carolina volleyball team clinched a winning season after bringing its A-game this weekend, winning both matches at home on Friday night and Sunday afternoon against the University of South Florida and the University of Central Florida.

The immense energy from the Pirate win on Friday, after a 3-1 victory over the Bulls, definitely carried into Sunday’s game when ECU also defeated the Knights in a similar 3-1 fashion.

“I try to lead by example and take the team into my own hands if I need to. I just remind everyone to come together, relax and see that the other teams are the ones under pressure, not us,” senior Ashton Mares said.

Men’s Basketball

East Carolina University, along with the University of North Carolina at Wilmington and University of North Carolina at Greensboro, competed in a round-robin scrimmage.

All the funds generated from this event went to Governor Roy Cooper’s Disaster Relief Fund, which distributes it to nonprofit and faith-based organizations helping in relief efforts from Hurricane Matthew. Even though it’s been more than year since the catastrophe, it was estimated that there was \$1.5 billion in damage which hasn’t all been restored.

Men’s Ultimate Frisbee

The East Carolina University men’s ultimate frisbee team competed at the University of North Carolina at Wilmington in the 2017 Fall Eastern Championship over the weekend.

They failed to pick up a win all weekend, finishing 0-7, and in last place, during the Pirates’ final tournament of the season. They never made it out of group play in order to make it into the championship bracket to have a shot at the fall title.

Losing like this is a similar scene for the Irates, according to junior club member Zack Baldwin, but he also said the Irates are still holding their heads high however despite the poor weekend results.

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(March 21-April 19) -- Today is a 7
-- Enjoy domestic projects for a few days. Family cash flow increases this month, with Venus in Scorpio. Complete a job under budget. Find a sweet deal.

Taurus
(April 20-May 20) -- Today is an 8 -- Communications can unlock doors today and tomorrow. A partnership flowers over the next month, with Venus in Scorpio. Your mutual esteem deepens.

Gemini
(May 21-June 20) -- Today is an 8 -- More income is possible over the next two days. Physical action produces satisfying results this month, with Venus in Scorpio. Your health and vitality blossom.

Cancer
(June 21-July 22) -- Today is an 8 -- Follow a personal dream for the next few days. A dream romance materializes, with Venus in spicy Scorpio. Sizzle up something sensational.

Leo
(July 23-Aug. 22) -- Today is a 5
-- Rest and recharge your batteries through tomorrow. Domestic beautification projects flourish over the next month, with Venus in Scorpio. Invest creativity into your family's nest.

Virgo
(Aug. 23-Sept. 22) -- Today is an 8 -- Participate in groups. Schedule time with friends. Your research and communication skills are finely tuned, with Venus in Scorpio. Express what's in your heart.

Libra
(Sept. 23-Oct. 22) -- Today is an 8 -- Plan for two days in the professional spotlight. There's extra money available this month, with Venus in Scorpio. Keep doing what's working. Save some.

Scorpio
(Oct. 23-Nov. 21) -- Today is a 9 -- Expand your territory over the next few days. Upgrade your personal style over the next month, with Venus in your sign. Hone your brand. Take pictures.

Sagittarius
(Nov. 22-Dec. 21) -- Today is a 7 -- Manage shared financial accounts for a few days. Thoughtful review over the next month, with Venus in Scorpio, supports your long-term planning. Consider what's ahead.

Capricorn
(Dec. 22-Jan. 19) -- Today is a 7 -- Compromise with your partner for a plan that works for you both. Your popularity rises over the next month, with Venus in Scorpio. Socialize.

Aquarius
(Jan. 20-Feb. 18) -- Today is a 9 -- The pace is picking up today and tomorrow. Professional opportunities appear this month, with Venus in Scorpio. Accept new responsibility and your influence rises.

Pisces
(Feb. 19-March 20) -- Today is a 7 -- Romance sparks over the next few days. Exploration, travel and intellectual discovery flourish over the next month, with Venus in Scorpio. Expand your territory.

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21 FDR's Blue Eagle
22 Actor Alastair
24 Armstrong or Myerson
26 CD-____
29 Cabot of "Checkmate"
33 Arkin of "Chicago Hope"
35 Leading ISP
36 "Sopranos" star Falco
37 Nickelodeon cartoon series
40 Byrnes of "77 Sunset Strip"
41 Kermit, for one
42 Blake Edwards movie
44 Hawaiian garland
46 "Dallas" commodity
48 "The ____ Purple"

- 52 Part of ELO
55 "Finding ____"
56 "____ McBeal"
57 Sch. in Baton Rouge
58 Gabor and Tanguay
59 Buttons and Barber
60 Gullible person
61 Ferrell or Banks

DOWN

- 1 Vigoda and Lincoln
2 "Auntie ____"
3 Columnist Bombeck
4 Mikita and Musial
5 "Diary of a ____ Housewife"
6 Kinnear or Evigan
7 1979 Bill Murray comedy
8 ____ Mahal
9 Raymond Burr dramatic series
10 Jay of "SNL"
11 Mrs. Babish of "Laverne and Shirley"
17 Jed of "The Chris Isaak Show"
19 Adele to Fred Astaire, e.g.
23 2004 Lindsay Lohan film
25 Sault ____ Marie
26 Go team!
27 "____ to Billie Joe"
28 "Leave It to Beaver" town
30 Ghost's greeting
31 Lend a hand to
32 Homer's neighbor Flanders
34 Besmich
38 Stephen of "NewsRadio"
39 Disney dwarf
43 "A Different World" star
44 "Maude" producer
45 Model Macpherson
47 First name of 43D
49 Eugene of "SCTV"
50 Sharif of "Funny Girl"
51 Signoret film, "Madame ____"
53 Young and Coleman
54 Kevin Costner movie, "Tin ____"

Solution from Thursday

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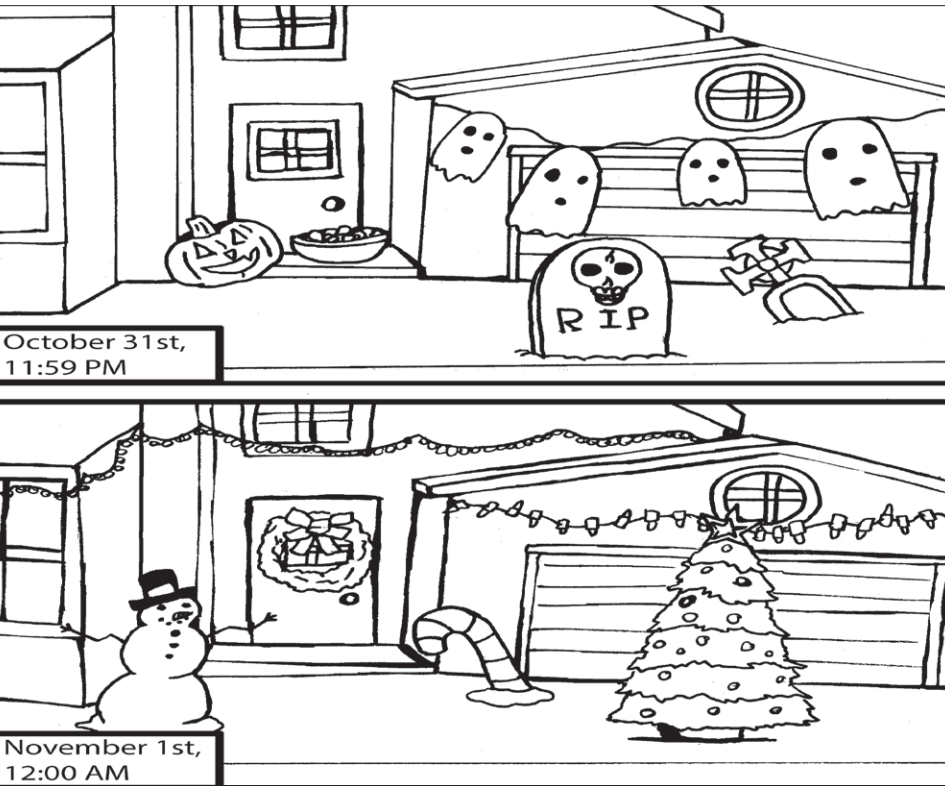
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Complete the grid so each row, column and 3-by-3 box (in bold borders) contains every digit, 1 to 9. For strategies on how to solve Sudoku, visit www.sudoku.org.uk

Solution from Thursday

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EVENTS

TUESDAY

Storytime
The Painted Peacock
5:45 p.m.

Diá de los Muertos
Starlight Cafe
6 p.m.

Unamused Dave & Hey Thanks! live
Trollingwood
7 p.m.

WEDNESDAY

Live Music
Dickinson Avenue Public House
7 p.m.

Intro to Whitewater Pool Session
Student Recreation Center
7 p.m.

Comedy Open Mic Night
Pitt Street Brewing Company
7:30 p.m.



Madison Lawson
TEC STAFF

Editor's Note: This is part 10 in a 10-part series which aims to highlight 'mom and pop shops' and meal options under \$10.

Translating from Italian to English as "come and eat, dinner's ready," Atavola attracts hungry customers of all ages and taste palettes with its diverse menu and welcoming atmosphere.

Sitting in the Lynndale Shopping Center at 620 Red Banks Road, the restaurant greets its customers with a whiff of parmesan cheese, freshly dusted on top of a pan of oven-baked lasagna. Its clean, spacious dining area, complimented by a lively bar, is open seven days a week—Monday through Thursday 11 a.m. to 10 p.m., Friday and Saturday 11 a.m. to 11 p.m and Sunday 11:30 a.m. to 9 p.m, to accommodate the most customers.



Mark Phillips

and, four years later, expanded and took over the Weight Watchers that used to be next to us and added a full-functioning bar with liquor and beer taps. Before, we just had a couple of wine racks; it's crazy to see how far we've come."

Because the restaurant is known for its Italian roots, some popular Italian dishes that can be found

Pasta, wine under \$10 to be found at Atavola



A pasta dish is served at Atavola Market Café, located on Red Banks Road.

for under \$10 include Mama's spaghetti and cheese for \$9.95, baked ziti for \$8.95 and fettuccine alfredo for \$9.95.

In addition to the comforting pasta, the market cafe also serves a variety of sandwiches for \$7.95 including the pesto chicken panini on multigrain bread, a spinach tortilla wrap stuffed with chunky chicken salad and even some vegetarian options such as the grilled vegetable panini with roasted peppers, squash and zucchini.

With most of the items on the menu reaching the \$10 mark and averaging anywhere from \$12 to \$14, Phillips said the quality of the food and the portion sizes is what makes the prices higher.

"Most of our items are below the \$12.95 range, but we give you a lot of food for what you pay," Phillips said. "The quality is also higher, so it's going to cost a bit more. We make

our own crust, we have unusual toppings and we give people the ability to create their own dishes based on the ingredients I know we have. I think it's worth it."

Sitting at a larger table on the bar side of the restaurant, a group of customers chatted and enjoyed drinks before ordering their food. With the hum of chatter and music in the background, the group enjoyed the atmosphere around them and said they didn't feel the pressure to order.

"This is my neighborhood bar and restaurant," long time customer and member of the group, Elizabeth Forrestal, said. "They have a great selection of wines and I'm a wine drinker, so that's a plus. They're always great about switching it up and keeping us on our toes."

Admiring the art on the walls, the group then took a moment to point out some of the ones they

haven't seen before, starting new conversations amongst themselves.

"The Greenville Brushstrokes is a local artists amateur group that displays their art for sale in our restaurant," Phillips said. "It's a mutual benefit; they have a place to show their work and we get awesome art to decorate our walls with. We always try and give back to the community in any way possible."

Greeting Phillips and patting him on the back as they walked by, customers entered the restaurant with confidence, as if it was their second home.

"This is a normal thing," Phillips said. "We've had customers who walked to Atavola the day after Hurricane Matthew knowing we'd be open. The place was packed and I had to call my wife and my oldest son for help since most of our staff couldn't get here. It was hectic, but that's the kind of customers we have, it's like an extension of the home in here, a community."

Scott Wells, another member of the six person group, said the restaurant was the "Cheers of Greenville." Cheers, a 1982 American sitcom starring a group of wacky and funny characters all sitting and chatting at a bar in Boston, reminded Wells of her times at Atavola.

"I've eaten here for 14 years and I've only had one mishap, one mishap in 14 years, now that's something to say," Wells said. "On Friday I was in here twice, for lunch and dinner. The staff is wonderful and there is something here to eat for everybody"

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ECU bands to perform

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With a wide variety of music and unique style, the East Carolina University Bandorama concert will take place tomorrow night at 7:30 in Wright Auditorium.

ECU's School of Music has three concert bands: the symphonic wind ensemble, the symphonic ensemble and the concert band. All of these groups are set to perform at Wednesday's showcase.

Three different selections will be played at the concert. The first will be "The Leaves Are Falling" by Warren Benson, the second, "For precious friends hid in death's dateless night" by Martin Mailman and last, "Concerto for Wind Orchestra" by Colin McPhee.

Molly Lowder, a ECU junior majoring in clarinet performance and international studies, said the pieces challenged her.

"The music is a little bit different than what we're used to which is great," Lowder said. "It's both super interesting for the audience and it's also a real challenge for us to pull it together because we're not as used to doing this kind of music."

Scott Carter, the director of the symphonic wind ensemble at the School of Music, said the purpose of choosing unique musical selections is to teach and challenge the students in the School of Music.

"Well, the purpose of the ensemble is to teach the school of music students various types of styles," Carter said. "So what we try to do is have a wide variety of things, things that are fast, things that are slow, things that are soft, things that are loud, and it's teaching them to understand that there is a wide, wide variety of repertoire available..."

Lowder hopes the audience members take away a new appreciation for a unique style.

"I hope the audience can come to our concert and just see that wind ensemble, in particular, have the ability to do so many different styles of music," Lowder said.

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CUPOLA CONVERSATIONS

"Gun Violence: A search for answers"

The increasing number of mass shootings, such as Las Vegas and Orlando in the last two years, continues to paralyze and traumatize cities, communities and college campuses throughout the country. Many question whether there is anything that can be done to prevent the next situation from happening.

This Cupola Conversation features a panel including ECU students with differing perspectives on gun control, ECU's new Police Chief Jon Barnwell, a Greenville community member and an ECU trauma surgeon.

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