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Bowen named new SGA adviser

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In his officer report at Monday's senate meeting, Student Government Association President Mark Matulewicz announced Hank Bowen will be the new official Student Government Association adviser.

"I am so excited that Hank

Bowen will be serving as the next SGA adviser," Matulewicz said. "Hank will be a great mentor to students and will be a great asset to SGA as a whole."

Bowen has worked as the coordinator for first year programs at ECU since November 2010 in the Office of Student Transitions for Student Affairs. He served as the



Hank Bowen

facilitator for ECU from August 2005 to September 2010. During

acting assistant director of student veteran services from November 2014 to July 2015.

Bowen was a leadership

this time, he was also a marketing teacher for Green County schools.

He graduated from ECU in 2008 with his masters of education in Business Education. He also completed his undergraduate at ECU in 2004 with a bachelor's of science in business and marketing education.

Bowen will formally take over

as SGA adviser on Apr. 17, at the night of the SGA banquet. He will direct the organization after former adviser Jessica King left the university for a new position.

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HB2 continues to draw ire

Local businesses, groups stand against new house bill

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Since the passing of House Bill 2 two weeks ago, Greenville and East Carolina University community members have expressed their displeasure with the bill through protests and rallies.

North Carolina passed the bill, which prohibits transgender individuals from using a public bathroom with the sex they identify with. The bill forces individuals to use the bathroom that correlates with their biological sex even if it is not the gender they live as during their day-to-day life.

Protests against the bill in Greenville began March 26 with a rally on the courthouse steps and moved through ECU's campus last

week during UNC system President Margaret Spellings's visit.

Businesses in Greenville have also stood against the bill and shown solidarity with LGBT members, most notably Sup Dogs. Owner Bret Oliverio said he is always looking to promote a welcoming business as he displayed a sign that read: "We value and love all our customers. Please use whichever bathroom fits your personal needs. We love everyone the same. Just please don't leave a floater in the toilet."

Oliverio said he came up with idea and displayed the sign in both of his Sup Dogs locations in Greenville and Chapel Hill, North Carolina. His decision was derived from wanting to be supportive of his customers and

primarily geared towards making customers feel happy regardless of their situation. His goal was to keep the message light hearted.

"I wouldn't consider myself necessarily a liberal [but] this is 2016 and everyone deserves to be happy and comfortable," Oliverio said.

Progressive non-profit New Greenville has also been outspoken against the bill since its passing.

Uriah Ward, one of four founding members of New Greenville, has been relentless in his support of the repeal of the bill and has helped organize events to stand against HB2.

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Students and community members protest House Bill 2 on ECU's campus last Wednesday. Protests have occurred across the state since its passing.

Chancellor search hits final stretch

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After the East Carolina University Chancellor Search Committee meeting last week, final recommendations for three candidates were sent to the University of North Carolina system President Margaret Spellings.

The committee consulted the University Attorney in closed session, where it considered confidential personnel information and reached a final decision.

Spellings said the interview process to determine candidates has come to a point where now it's time for her and the UNC Board of Governors involvement.

"I make the final decision after the recommendations of the search committee," said Spellings. "This will be happening within the next few weeks where I'll be interviewing the candidates."

According to Spellings, the search committee has already sent her their recommendations for the top three candidates and she will begin her interviews soon.

"I want to develop a relationship with that person just as I have with Chancellor Ballard," said Spellings. "He's a major leader of a major part of the system."

Spellings said the new chancellor should be announced by end of this month or May 1.

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Pirates claim series over Cougs

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East Carolina baseball won two of three games this past weekend against conference foe Houston, taking the series from the No.15 Cougars in its first American Athletic Conference series of the season.

After the series both freshman Dwanya Williams-Sutton and senior Parker Lamm lead the AAC in batting average, hitting .366 and .360 respectively. The series win helped knock Houston's (17-10, 1-2 AAC) first baseman Joe Davis, who went 1-for-13 in the series.

The Pirates (19-9, 2-1 AAC) couldn't hold on for the sweep and dropped Sunday's contest, 6-1, and had a poor showing on both offense and defense. The Pirates had just seven hits on the day and Williams-Sutton's triple in the seventh inning was the only hit that went for extra bases.

Freshman shortstop Turner Brown had a forgettable day in the field, as he picked up two more errors on the day, making his season total reach eleven, the highest in the AAC. Starter Jacob Wolfe took the loss for the Pirates, allowing six runs, only three of which were earned.

"We made four errors, we walked guys, we made errors in the same inning, gave up



Freshman Pirate outfielder Dwanya Williams-Sutton embraces his teammates during a game.

multiple runs. We have a problem that when one guy makes an error everybody wants to make an error," ECU head coach Cliff Godwin said. "If you don't play your best baseball, you're going to lose."

The bullpen kept the Pirates in the game Sunday, as Godwin decided to use six different pitchers, none of whom gave up a run. Four of the six pitchers used were freshman.

"The only positive I can take out of today was the freshman pitchers that came in and

threw up zeroes," Godwin said. "They didn't look like freshman today."

The Pirates picked up another win during Saturday's outing to claim the conference-opening series, taking the second game from Houston.

Jimmy Boyd got the start against Houston's National Pitcher-of-the-Week, Seth Romero, who was sporting a 0.58 ERA. Through five innings, the Pirates built a 1-0 lead thanks to a Williams-Sutton's two-out

base hit in the second. In the top of the sixth inning, the Pirates rattled Romero, forcing him to give up four runs, three of which coming with two outs, resulting Romero's ERA to boost to 1.72. That inning forced Romero out and the Pirates didn't look back as they went on to win, 5-1.

"I have to minimize mistakes, and play my game," Boyd said. "If my number is called, I'm ready to go out there."

Williams-Sutton had three RBIs and Brown added another, accumulating for four of the five RBIs for the Pirates.

Friday sported a low-scoring, yet highly emotional game, as ECU won game one, 3-1. Evan Kruczynski had another quality start for the Pirates and picked up his fourth win of the season, keeping him undefeated.

After hitting a homer in the third inning, Bryce Harman was hit by pitches in his following two at-bats and was ejected in the sixth inning after slamming into the catcher while trying to score at home plate.

"You have to make a really good effort in sliding early, and I don't think I did that," Harman said.

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BRIEFS

Veteran Writing Workshop hits ECU

The Veterans Writing Workshop and Book Project are coming to ECU this month. These events encourage veterans and their families to write about their experiences in life and war. The Veterans Book Project is a weeklong bookmaking project that will cover different aspects of storytelling like how to write a screenplay, non-fiction journal writing, poetic narrative, photography and collage. The book project will also focus on writing technique and methods while using demonstrations and strategies for visual expression. The workshop will be held 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. this Saturday in Room 221 in Mendenhall Student Center. The Veterans Book Project will start tomorrow and end April 13 in Room 2222 on the second floor of Joyner Library.

School of Art and Design hosts Art Society students

ECU School of Art and Design will host NC National Art Honor Society students for an annual retreat on Friday. Approximately 200 talented high school art students from schools throughout North Carolina are expected to participate in art workshops conducted by ECU School of Art and Design faculty. Students will choose two workshops to participate in, selecting from classrooms as canvas, screen-printing, shoot a short, eye tracking, enameling, collage, book arts, make a TV show, non-traditional drawing and painting, and shooting a video interview. In addition to the workshops, students have the opportunity to tour ECU's art facilities and campus. ECU has the largest studio art program in the state.

ECU to host events for Public Health Week

In honor of National Public Health Week, ECU will host a series of events to increase public awareness about the field of health and its contributions. The week will also highlight issues important to improving health regionally and nationally. Events will include a blood drive and Zumbathon as well as other activities. ECU's departments of Health Education and Promotion, Public Health and Campus Recreation and Wellness are hosting the activities while the American Public Health Association organizes National Public Health Week. All activities are free and open to the public.

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LiveSafe app officially launches

Staff Report

East Carolina University officially launched the LiveSafe mobile application yesterday as a part of a continuing effort to keep campus and the Greenville community a safer place for students and residents. The app, available for Smartphones and tablets, offers two-way anonymous communication with campus safety representatives. Communication can be in the form of text messaging, video, audio or photos. Users can anonymously share their location with ECU police when witnessing a crime. Another important feature of the application is SafeWalk. When activated, users can have family or friends virtually watch the user walk to their destination via GPS. Users on the other end can notify police if the other user goes off of the GPS path.

The app launched in demo mode in early Feb. with help from the ECU Student Government Association and the ECU Police Department. During the demo time of the application, ECU police officers were trained in the app and had time to learn through usage of the app. "The app will help ensure the proper authorities are aware of the concerns and are making efforts to either correct or reinforce the programs and resources at ECU," said Lauren Gunter, continuity and emergency planner for the Office of Environmental Health and Safety, at the time of the demo launch. "The app is only effective if the ECU community uses it." It can also connect users to various mental health and victim services. For questions or comments, contact news@theeastcarolinian.com.

GPD garners support from community

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The Greenville Police Department's response to Brandon Mateo, the man who posted a photo flipping off the camera while humping a GPD car, has marked a success in their strategy to improve community relations. More than two weeks after Greenville Police issued its response to Mateo, Greenville citizens have rallied behind the department. With more than 17,000 Facebook shares and over 21,000 likes, the post quickly took social media by storm. The response even drew national attention, landing Chief of Police Mark Holtzman and Greenville Police Public Information Officer, Kristen Hunter, to join Fox News' "Fox & Friends". "We received dozens of calls

and emails from concerned citizens who first alerted us to this photo," Hunter said. "Once we publicly responded, the amount of support we received was tremendous. Calls and messages came pouring in from all over the world." According to Hunter, a response from the GPD was needed since the picture was directed toward the GPD and the community was reacting so strongly to the image. The response Greenville Police issued to Mateo was a challenge to join the police on a ride along in hopes of changing his view of law enforcement. According to Hunter, this gave the department a chance to educate Mateo and the public. "I like how Greenville Police responded to the incident by offering him the ride along in the front seat of the car without him being charged. I like their response because it was very mature in my opinion," said Nicholas Schaut, a junior studying information and computer technology. Starting in 2015, the GPD began a concentrated effort to start building a better relationship with the community. At a Greenville city council meeting in early January, Holtzman explained to the city council how his department was implementing programs that would train officers about unbiased policing. "When you begin to work with the community and give the community the things that they need that they can help you, in the policing, when it comes to partnership with the community," said Rose Glover, Greenville City Council Member for District 2. Councilwoman Glover is the

council liaison to the Police Community Relations Committee, which is set up to give community members a productive tool to talk about issues in the area with Holtzman and the police department. The committee meets twice a month in order to improve community and police relations. "In a time when police officers are often ridiculed and scrutinized, it was quite refreshing to see what a positive reaction we received from the community. One person's opinion of the police, in this case Brandon's, certainly doesn't reflect the opinions of our entire community," said Hunter. Hunter does believe the community policing programs are working, stating that the department's efforts to be transparent seem to be working. For questions or comments, contact news@theeastcarolinian.com.

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"Obviously I'm very disappointed in the legislature and the governor decided to pass this law and I think it's going to be an incredibly negative thing for our state," Ward said. "I'm hopeful that we'll be able to show that people across the state are not happy with this. I hope our governor and legislature will repeal this.

New Greenville has another event scheduled for Monday, April 11. The event will start at City Hall at 5:30 p.m. with a press conference, before heading upstairs for the City Council meeting. "We are trying to bring as many people to City Hall to ask the City of Greenville to pass a resolution, requesting the repeal of HB2," Ward said. "This is something that Chapel Hill and Carboro have already done. We hope that adding Greenville as a

voice to the mix, showing that this city does not support this legislation will encourage our state leaders to repeal it." A few more places around Greenville have decided to follow Oliverio in opening their restaurants to fit a wide range of customers by allowing them to use the bathroom they desire as well. Crave, Happy Girls Bras and Breastfeeding and Unitarian Universalist Congregation have all opened up any bathrooms to

their customers. A graphic designer, Emily Waggoner, originally from Raleigh, North Carolina helped create a map that showed other businesses in North Carolina that also had a response like Sup Dogs. You can find a list of bathrooms that are gender friendly through Google maps For questions or comments, contact news@theeastcarolinian.com.

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"Late April, May 1 is the induction, I think, in that window," said Spellings. The ECU Board of Trustees have likely already gone through the interview process with the possible candidates. Back in January, Steve Jones, chair of the ECU Board of Trustees, said the board hoped to bring in candidates for interviews by the end of Feb. or early March and forward the names of three unranked finalists to Spellings. Upon final nomination by the president, the new chancellor must be elected by the BOG. In the last few weeks, there has been much talk as to what kind of leader ECU needs, not only during this time of transition but also going forward. Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs Virginia Hardy said she hopes the next chancellor will be committed to what ECU is already committed to, which is providing affordable education, accessible education and quality education. "We want to make sure we have a leader, a chancellor who will continue to be committed to who we are," said Hardy. "To the identity and

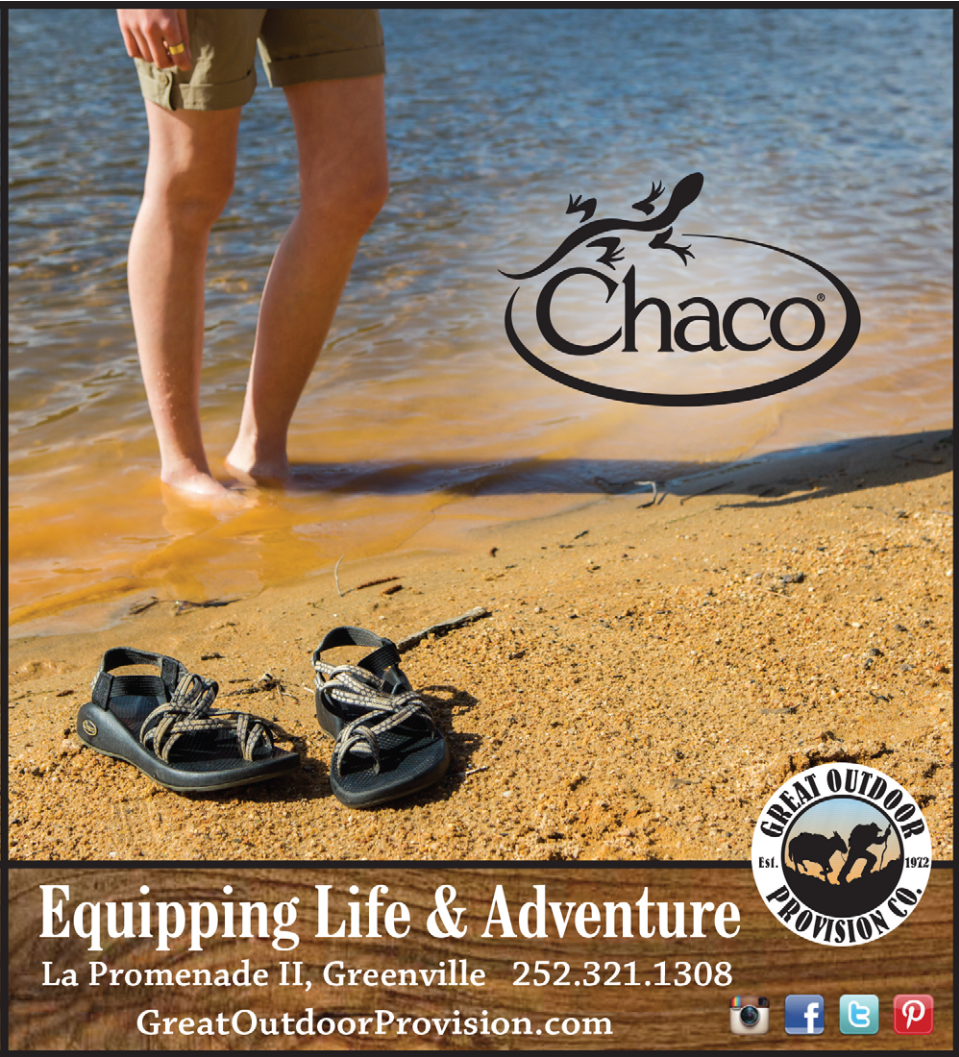


Chancellor Steve Ballard speaks during Margaret Spellings's visit to ECU. Ballard will step down in July.

to the brand of East Carolina University. To our mission and then help us to grow and keep us on that trajectory that we are on." Hardy added she also hopes the next chancellor will be one who is committed to diversity and inclusion. "That was something the students brought out," said Hardy. "And not just from a numbers perspective but in changing and building a culture of acceptance of the differences that exist among our students and our employees, the faculty and staff. That individuals can bring their whole selves to campus and be accepted and respected." During A Legacy of Leadership week honoring Ballard from March 21-23, many ECU and UNC leaders also voiced their opinions on the topic.

Tom Ross, president emeritus of the UNC system before Spellings, said especially during a time of transition a university such as ECU needs a strong leader. "We are facing enormous issues regarding higher education in North Carolina and it takes leadership who can stand up with courage and do what's right for the future and the university and the state," said Ross. He said it's not an easy task in today's environment but having a leader that "leads from integrity" and "in a transparent, open way" are highly important. "It does create a lot of stress on a leader and I think finding a leader who can manage that is really important," said Ross.

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PIRATE RANTS

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Just saw an irresponsible Pirate not pick up after his dog. There's now a steaming pile of dog crap in front of the Student Health Center. Dude, clean up after your dog. The people that saw you judged you... we judge you HARD.

Hillary believes unborn children have no constitutional rights. How can people complain about HB2 and at the same time side with her? If we follow her lead, then is it okay to only apply the rules for those we like?

Kai, you claim to love everyone but somehow you always point out how the wealthy white man is the blame for oppression.

If dreadlock's friend hadn't been recording the encounter, that guy would have been expelled and his career would be over. ALWAYS BE RECORDING (It is not paranoia).

A guy in Sweden was arrested after a woman claimed she was disturbed by him farting in front of her. Is this the direction where young socialists and democrats in the US want to take us? Oh yeah, let's not forget about the WAPO article that found that millennials LOVE socialism, until they get a job that pays more than \$40,000. #themoreyouknow

If meth was a person, it'd look like my neighbor.

GMU School of Law is being renamed after the late Justice Scalia. Antonin Scalia School of Law... ASS Law.

If Ballard actually said "I like seeing the interaction between she and the students...", perhaps he might schedule a refresher course in English grammar during his coming year off.

What do you call an angry buccaneer? p-IRATE #punster

Why did the buccaneer crew sell their baked goods for \$3.14? Because it's the pi-rate #punster

Why didn't the pirate captain have food on his ship? Because he had a skeleton crew! #punster

Everyone is arguing about politics and I'm over here wondering how many cookies I can sneak out of the dining hall. #priorities

Questions regarding rants can be directed to Tyler Kelbaugh at opinion@theeastcarolinian.com.

Poll results

Are you in favor of House Bill 2?

Yes- 41.1%

No- 58.9%

Poll question

Were you rooting for UNC on Monday night?

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Our view

In an attempt to improve safety on the road, the Pitt County commissioners approved the notion of installing more security cameras above busy Greenville intersections.

Greenville Police Chief Mark Holtzman presented the idea to county commissioners Monday morning who then approved the proposal later in the afternoon. The project is still in the works, as the program will be discussed at the Board of Education meeting as well.

We as an editorial staff think that this has potential to be very beneficial to everyone in Greenville. Far too often cars blow through solid red lights without regards to their own safety and the safety of others.

At the same time, however, it will not be the silver

Traffic cameras one small step to safety

bullet that will make every Greenville intersection safe. Greenville has an abundance of dangerous intersections and while the installation of these cameras will ultimately push drivers to stop running red lights, it will not solve the problem all together.

In some cases, these cameras may actually increase the risk of crashes. Drivers approaching a yellow light may attempt to speed through the intersection safely, notice the cameras, and jam on the breaks at the last moment.

The attempt to make Greenville's busy intersections safer is long overdue. Street light cameras are a positive step in the right direction, but ultimately the problem will not be solved unless safe driving education is improved.

Trump delusional on assault



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IT'S ALL GREEK TO ME

By now most of us have heard the continuing events surrounding Donald Trump, his campaign manager Corey Lewandowski, and former Breitbart

reporter Michelle Fields. With more twists, turns and shocks than a serial drama, it seems every week the narrative changes based on the newest leak or development.

Fields made an accusation that on March 8, in Jupiter, Florida at a press conference for Donald Trump she was, in her own words, "jolted backwards. Someone had grabbed me tightly by the arm and yanked me down. I almost fell to the ground, but was able to maintain my balance. Nonetheless, I was shaken." She confirmed shortly after with an eye-witness, Ben Terris of the Washington Post, that the man who had grabbed her was Lewandowski.

What I found most baffling about this and the events that have happened since, is that whenever things like this happen, campaigns usually issue an apology or something similar. Instead Lewandowski denied ever touching or meeting her, calling her delusional. Trump told CNN a similar story, saying "Everybody said nothing happened. Perhaps she made the story up. I think that's what happened" and "When we left, I spoke to [The Secret Service]. Nothing happened. This was, in my opinion, made up." These statements

are blatantly untrue. Two videos have been made public showing Lewandowski grabbing and pulling Michelle Fields, along with Terris's witness account. Trump has also lied about what Fields' statement was and has said she has kept changing her story, something Politifact looked into and gave a "Pants on Fire" rating.

Once the videos had leaked and the evidence started to mount, Trump and his supporters switched their narrative immediately. They said, for example, that the bruises may be fake or caused by something else. Another absurd example is Trump saying that Fields actually assaulted him when she asked him a question on Affirmative Action, or tweeting a picture of Fields holding a pad and paper in one hand and a pen in the other, with the text saying "Why is this reporter touching me as I leave news conference? What is in her hand??" He later elaborated "[The] Secret Service is not liking because they don't know what it is, whether it's a little bomb," Trump said. "It could've been a knife. It could've been just a pen, which is very dangerous."

Trump must think Fields went to the Jason Bourne school of combat training. First off, Trump acknowledged all reporters at campaign events go through security before being allowed into events. The check includes a back check, wandering and a metal detector. Second, this is not the first time Trump has exposed himself to the public. He has waded into adoring crowds with reporters getting close to get their questions answered before. Third, it wasn't security that grabbed and pulled Fields away, it was Trump's campaign manager.

Security did not think of her as a threat. An annoyance maybe, but not a threat. Campaign staff should not be enforcers to the candidate.

Finally you get to the more desperate claims and rationalizations, "it's not really battery." The definition of simple battery in Florida is "Any actual and intentional touching or striking of another person against that person's will (non-consensual), or the intentional causing of bodily harm to another person." By this standard what we see in the videos and Terris' account, this meets the definition with room to spare. Perhaps "It wasn't that hard" and "she is exaggerating" are better arguments? Well one, you are already admitting he grabbed her, but two, "The defendant is hyperbolic" isn't a legal defense, not to mention by saying that you are already admitting that the battery took place.

This should have never been a story. The Trump campaign could have done away with this easily with an apology like Fields originally asked for. Instead, keeping with what makes him popular, Trump doubled down and refused to back off, even if he had to change his narrative several times from "It never happened" to "the video exonerates Lewandowski" to "The bruises are fake, she's exaggerating" to "She might have had a bomb, or a pen! You don't know!" Yes, Donald, we do know. Lewandowski knows too, now that he's been indicted on simple battery. Hopefully he can stick to one story in the courtroom.

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Old-school basketball has died



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EVERYBODY HATES KAI

It's an exciting time in basketball right now. Last night was the Men's NCAA Championship, tonight is UCONN going for the 4-peat, and yesterday was

Hall Of Fame announcements.

This class of Hall of Famers includes names like Tom Izzo, Yao Ming, and Jerry Reinsdorth. And the two most notable names Shaquille "Shaq" O'Neal and Allen "The Answer" Iverson. These players along with the retirement tour of Kobe Bryant and the renaissance play of the Golden State Warriors make me realize that the era of basketball I grew up on is dead.

Basketball is no longer filled with amazing isolation players who can easily go 1-on-5 offensively. It is now a team game of ball movement and finding a way to get shooters a good look.

Gone are the amazing players like Allen Iverson, Shaq, Kobe Bryant, and Tracy McGrady who will take your whole team to the basket and score. Now the game is filled with guys who run around screens and shoot threes. Not saying it's bad, it's just different.

The three-pointer is king now. Analytics have officially taken over basketball. There's not an emphasis on developing a full game as a player. There are more niche players than ever. There's less emphasis on defense as well.

The great thing about this new era of basketball is the fun of watching how the ball moves and how the off-ball cuts are made. There are more athletes in basketball now than ever before. The shooters are absolutely berserk as well. Watching Stephen Curry make shots that no one should make is so fun to watch.

But my childhood's brand of basketball is missed for sure. Watching phenomenal great players like Kobe, McGrady, and Iverson taking 25+ shots a game and guarding the other team's best player was epic. Post players like Shaq, Tim Duncan, Kevin Garnett, and Dirk Nowitzki

absolutely working the other team from the low block...absolutely classic.

It's absolutely bizarre that basketball legends hate the new ballers. You would think guys like Oscar Robertson would embrace the league and it's new look. But sadly, it seems basketball legends appear to be jealous, and it's a really bad look.

Basketball is an amazing game, but there is no place for downplaying the current look of basketball because it doesn't match the look of the old one. Furthering basketball as a game should be over all the egos of the players.

Change is good for the game. The game staying the same does not further the game, it holds it back. Yes I am sad that basketball is no longer the game I fell in love with, but like everything it changes. Change for the better? Change for the worse? That's your call, but you can dwell on the change, or just enjoy the game.

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The business of beads

Student creates jewelry line out of life-long passion

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For junior communication major Whitley Henderson, balancing being a full time student with a budding jewelry business is just another day in the life, and the business is gaining traction every day.

Henderson and her business partner Harris Parker have been making jewelry together since they were kids.

“We’ve always been really good friends, and we started making little friendship bracelets in elementary school and middle school,” said Henderson. “People were starting to want to buy them so we started turning that into necklaces.”

Since then, Boho Beads has developed into a jewelry line that is sold in 86 different stores throughout the country, not to mention in two international stores, according to the Boho Beads website.

Even with their large number of retailers, Henderson and Parker continue to make each necklace themselves.

“[It’s] just us two,” said Henderson. “Our families [do] help out a lot.”

With 77 different necklace styles including a children’s line, Henderson said the amount of time it takes to make one necklace just depends.

“We’ve really gotten used to it,” said Henderson. “One of our basic necklaces, just our tassel necklaces, probably takes like seven minutes.”

Henderson said she finds inspiration in traveling, Pinterest, friends and celebrities. According to the Boho Beads Instagram account, necklaces have been personally given to celebrities such as Mariska Hargitay and Kelly Ripa.

“When we travel to New York or Miami, we’ve seen [celebrities] then given them [necklaces.]” said Henderson. “It’s been really great.”

Boho Beads has also been featured in magazines, when Henderson said one celebrity was shown wearing their stacked bracelets.

When it comes to balancing Boho Beads and school, Henderson said “I have to go home like every weekend to work but it’s not too bad, we manage it.”

Henderson said her communication degree will help with the social media side of the business, and she really likes managing the Instagram account.

When asked how it felt to see Boho Beads so successful, Henderson remained humble. “We know it’s gotten big and stuff but it doesn’t really get to us, we think it’s normal,” she said.

Henderson said her goals for Boho Beads are to continue expanding into more stores, and her personal favorite necklace is the “extra large leather tassel necklace” which she said she wears all the time.



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Whitley Henderson and Harris Parker create handmade pieces that are sold around the world.

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Greenville band to tour U.S., Europe

Rebecca Sefter
FOR THE EAST CAROLINIAN

Local band August Is Ours will be trying to put Greenville on the map this summer by touring the United States and Europe.

Lead vocalist JT Ackerman will be representing the band by performing acoustic versions of AIO songs in the UK, Germany, Belgium and the Netherlands.

“I’m traveling with two singer/songwriters,” said Ackerman. “One’s from the UK, James Walker, and another person, Kira Decker, who’s from the Netherlands.”

Ackerman, who has decided to work as a full-time musician, will have a packed schedule in Europe for the duration of April and May, leading up to his return to the U.S. for the group’s Luminescence tour.

“We’ll be [performing] stuff off of our new album, stuff off our acoustic album and we’ll throw in covers depending on the venue,” said Ackerman.

Luminescence, the name of AIO’s newest album, is scheduled to be released during the month of May. This is the first time that the band will featured on iTunes, a big milestone for their career.

August Is Ours describes itself as an alternative/folk/pop/punk band, consisting of Joey Hunike on drums and vocals, Matt Elton on bass and JT Ackerman with lead vocals.

“Some of our stuff goes a little bit more celtic-based, some goes Americana-based, some stuff goes blues,” said Ackerman. “It just goes all over the place.”

August Is Ours was originally created around a year ago, but has since undergone changes in band members, finally settling on the current group about four months ago.

“I think [the sound] has gotten a little bit harder since I came in,” said Elton. “Just because my finger style is different. I play a lot differently than the old bassist.”

AIO has avid fans all over the world, with their largest fan bases located in Chicago, Orlando and Philadelphia, all of which are cities that will be visited on the Luminescence tour.

“We’re playing some of the best venues in the country,” said Ackerman. “[We’re excited to] be able to travel and have fun.”

The Luminescence tour is self-financed, so the band encourages fans to support them via donation website gofundme.com.

Several tour dates have been announced, but there are more to come in the near future. Information regarding the tour is located on the August Is Ours Facebook page.

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TV REVIEW

TWD finale reveals game changing surprises



Jennifer Hines
TEC STAFF

to me. The season finale of “The Walking Dead” completely lived up to expectations.

Staying true to form, the season finale came with plenty of gore and uncertainty. The entire episode left viewers guessing at who was going to die next.

With the cliffhanger ending of last week’s episode, this episode began very rushed and confused for the audience which set the tone of impending doom that lasted throughout the episode. The group of zombie killers that audience members have come to know and love spent the season finale searching for a way to get Maggie to medical care.

The road to medicine was not an easy one as the group encountered five roadblocks of men, vehicles, trees and even zombies

that “The Saviors” constructed to get their attention. This half of the season has been building up to a meeting with “The Saviors” and their terrifying leader, Negan.

Leading up to the much anticipated reveal of Negan, the season finale featured creepy whistling and flash shots after every commercial that brought a bone-chilling effect to the episode.

While half of the episode focused on Maggie’s medical care, the other half followed Morgan trying to help Carol through her crisis.

In other words, she was being a drama queen. The introduction to new characters who came into play helping Carol with her wounds was quickly overlooked as Negan’s awaited appearance finally came.

Most of the meat of this episode happened during the last 15 minutes when the issue with “The Saviors” finally came to a head as Rick’s group learned that there were a lot more “Saviors” than they thought. Surrounded by blood-thirsty thugs, they had no choice but to submit.

After finally learning what happened to Daryl after last week’s

cliffhanger, the big man himself shows up. Played by “Supernatural”’s Jeffrey Dean Morgan, Negan was much more terrifying than anticipated.

He carried a baseball bat covered in barbed wire that he affectionately and creepily called “Lucille.” His big reveal was no disappointment to the anticipation built up over the season as he has been set up to become the most evil villain on the show thus far.

Morgan’s appearance was chilling yet savory. He became the bad guy that you love to hate.

Even though he was threatening to do major damage with “Lucille,” he did so in a terrifyingly charismatic way that made the audience just as afraid as the characters. His unpredictability will make an excellent addition to next season’s storyline.

In accordance with all other “Walking Dead” season finales, a death was sure to occur. The hard part lies in the fact that the character’s identity is still a mystery.

The last scene of the episode was brilliantly shot from the character’s point-of-view as Negan

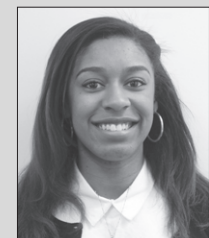


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Rick Grimes, Carl Grimes and Eugene Porter arm themselves against potential danger in the sixth season of The Walking Dead.

MUSIC REVIEW

Zayn Malik's new direction hits high note



Arvanna Smart
TEC STAFF

Since he left One Direction a year ago, Zayn Malik has been embarking on his own solo career and recently released his first solo album titled, “Mind of Mine.”

When he sings the chorus of “Like I would” on the tonight show with Jimmy Fallon, “He-eeee / won’t touch you like I do,” Zayn is clearly starting to loosen up compared to the awkwardness his early solo stage performances had been. He gives a few rhythmic shrugs and meaningful gazes at the middle distance, but as a solo star his presence on stage is a little unsteady.

In One Direction, Zayn contributed a distinct personality and an emotional reserve, which contrasted with the adolescent sound his former band.

On his own, his vocals can sound shapeless at times. His highly anticipated solo album is the typical R&B album as it swerves in and out of focus. But his voice doesn’t stand out for the entirety of the album, and on textured songs like “tRuTh” and “BoRdErSz,” he’s just an additional background noise.

In other songs like “fOoL fOr YoU,” more of a Beatles-esque sound can be felt from the song. With piano and drum instrumentals, Zayn’s voice sounds pinched and exposed. To contrast the rawness of his voice on some of the album, on “sHe” and “dRuNk,” Zayn’s voice sounds the most assured. There’s a certain feel to “sHe” that seems vacuumed out of the rest of the album, his vocal moves swiftly among blurred pulses of guitar and inverted piano clusters.

When he unleashes his falsetto, it pierces the track on “sHe.” It’s the only instant on “Mind of Mine” that seems to hint at his actual

singing capacity for pop artistry.

There’s also something cool and distinctive to his voice on the intermission, “fLoWeR,” which is sung entirely in Urdu, the native language of Zayn’s father show’s a different side to the R&B singer.

The first single, “PILLOWTALK,” expresses this development as soon as the record begins. While his former band sang about love through adolescent lyrics and tones, Zayn shares his adult and mature themes throughout the track. He describes the emotional aspects of sex simply by calling the bedroom a “paradise” and a “war zone.” The contrasting viewpoints on passion of sex are heard in and out across the album, creating completeness.

On “Mind of Mine,” Zayn’s influences are heard throughout each track as his fans can sense the vibe from other R&B/Pop artist such as Justin Bieber and the Weeknd. The song

“sHe” could just as easily be a Justin Bieber song, and “BRIGHT” would fit in with any one of The Weeknd’s albums. But Zayn creates a different vibe with the songs that neither artist would be able to pull off.

“Mine of Mind” is both fun and relaxed as listeners get a more personal connection with Zayn from his usual sound that was with One Direction. Throughout the album, listeners can hear the experimentation of different sounds and are able to work with Zayn as he tries to find his own sound as a solo artist with his first solo album.

RATING:

★★★★☆

4 out of 5

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brought “Lucille” down on their head. Accompanied with chilling bat-meets-body sound effects, this was certainly the most gruesome cliffhanger in a season finale yet.

The season finale of “The Walking Dead” was wonderfully written and shot and the introduction of Negan was right on point. The

constant suspense was quite annoying after an hour and a half, but it was necessary to build the storyline.

RATING:

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4 out of 5

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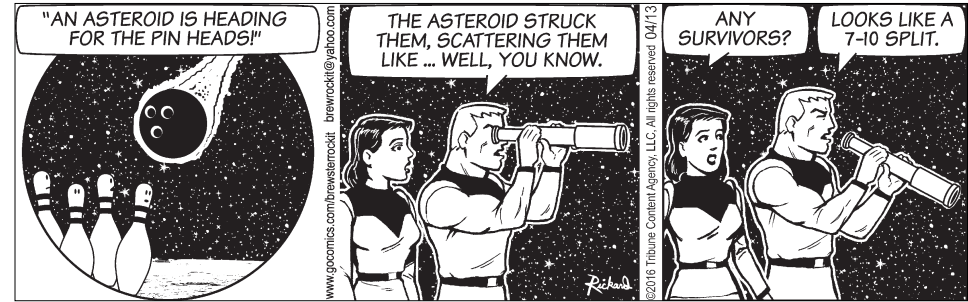
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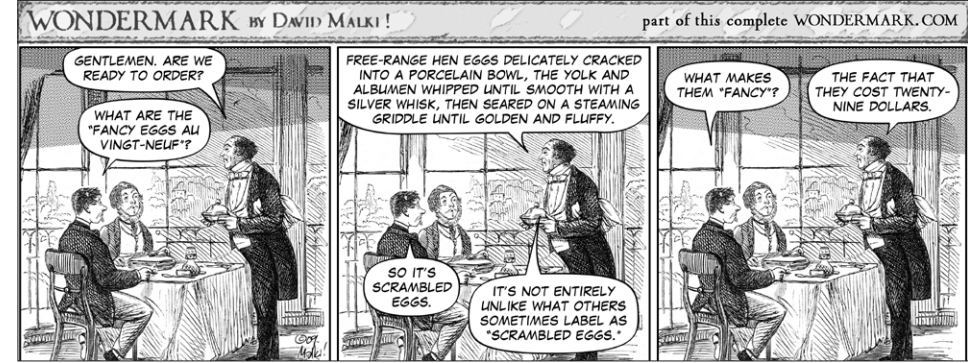
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ACROSS

1 Riffles (through)
6 Kitty cries
10 Like some chatter or threats
14 Birdbath buildup
15 Plant "pet"
16 Bellyache
17 "Game with a barrel-throwing gorilla"
19 "Flip or Flop" cable channel
20 Dueling sword
21 Stare unsubtly
22 Slammer
23 Wreck completely
25 "Moi?"
27 Lingus
28 Reason for an R rating
31 "I ___ thought of that"
34 Place to overnight
35 Crooner Cole
36 Stat that's better when it's lower
37 "Lock insert"
41 Expressive rock genre
42 Architect Maya ___
43 Serengeti grazer
44 Crease-resistant fabric
46 Sewer system entry points
49 Back when
50 Alpine warble
51 Art form profiled in the documentary "Between the Folds"
55 Joint sometimes twisted
57 Fishing decoy
59 Have ___ : be connected
60 "Are you for ___?!"
61 "Karl Marx opus"
63 Motown's Marvin
64 Prefix meaning "all"
65 Singer Baker
66 Call router: Abbr.
67 Bread served with chicken tikka masala
68 Go to pot ... or a phonetic hint to the answers to starred clues

DOWN

1 Stored in the hold
2 Become running mates?
3 Dancer de Mille
4 Skin bronzing from a bottle
5 "Understand?"
6 Jim of "Wide World of Sports"
7 Self-help website
8 [Don't take me too seriously]
9 Hang loosely
10 Announcement from the foyer
11 "Temporary housing for Fido"
12 Behind schedule
13 Green-eyed monster
18 "Son of Frankenstein" role
22 D.C. insider
24 No longer working: Abbr.
26 Sharpen
28 Computer invader
29 Hunter's garb, for short
30 Thames school
31 Captain's position

Tuesday's Puzzle Solved

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Aries (March 21-April 19) -- Today is an 8 -- You're more confident today and tomorrow. Try a new style. Begin a financially savvy phase over the next few weeks with Mercury in Taurus. With Venus in your sign for four weeks, you're irresistible.

Taurus (April 20-May 20) -- Today is a 6 -- Savor peaceful introspection today and tomorrow. For four weeks with Venus in Aries, fantasies and dreams abound. You're especially clever for the next few weeks, with Mercury in your sign. Your creativity seems boundless.

Gemini (May 21-June 20) -- Today is a 6 -- Collaborate with friends today and tomorrow. Profit from socializing over the next month (with Venus in

Aries), despite a pull toward introspection over the next few weeks (with Mercury in Taurus). Share your dreams.

Cancer (June 21-July 22) -- Today is a 7 -- Assume more professional authority today, tomorrow, and over the next month, with the Moon and Venus in Aries. Communication and team collaboration come easily for the next few weeks. Hold meetings, parties and gatherings.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22) -- Today is a 7 -- Expand your territory over the next month, with Venus in Aries. Study and travels flow, especially today and tomorrow. Your communications skills advance your career, with Mercury in Taurus for the next few weeks.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) -- Today is an 8 -- You're especially brilliant with finances and negotiations over the next month. Earn more and save more. Plan a trip to study a fascinating subject over the next few weeks. Broaden your horizons.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) -- Today is an 8 -- Have fun with your partner over the next month, with Venus in Aries, especially today and tomorrow. With Mercury in Taurus for about three weeks, you're clever with book-keeping and budgets. Determine shared priorities.

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tomorrow. Make agreements, promises and sign contracts over the next three weeks. Collaborate and compromise.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) -- Today is an 8 -- You're lucky in love and games this month, with Venus in Aries, especially today and tomorrow. Creativity inspires your work over the next three weeks, with Mercury in Taurus. Follow passion.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) -- Today is a 7 -- Your heart is at home over the next month. Beautify your family's spaces. Nurture your garden. Creative inspiration colors your writing and communications over the next three weeks. Play with words.

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) -- Today is an 8 -- Learn voraciously over the next month, with Venus in Aries. Study what you love, especially today and tomorrow. Beautify your home over the next three weeks, with Mercury in Taurus. Read and write.

Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20) -- Today is an 8 -- This next month (especially today and tomorrow) can be especially lucrative. You have a special gift with words over the next three weeks. Write your novel. Share what you're learning. Promote good causes.

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Freshman Pirate infielder Morgan Halo holds the ball during a game. Halo notched her first college home run against Tulsa last weekend.

ECU hopes to reverse losing streak

Carson Cherry
TEC STAFF

With 15 games left in the regular season, the East Carolina softball team will look to change momentum in its favor as postseason play draws nearer.

The Pirates (18-21, 0-6 AAC) are not in rhythm, as they currently sit on an eight game losing streak. Their last win came on March 22 against North Carolina State and their next game is at Campbell (16-19, 3-6 BSC) this evening, where ECU hopes to end its losing streak.

“Right now this is not where I want to be at this point in the season,” ECU head softball coach Courtney Oliver said. “This is not where we want to be at all.”

Despite Oliver not being satisfied with where her team is currently at in the season so far, she her team has already gotten more wins this year, with 18, compared to the 16 wins it got last season. What’s more, Oliver is in just her first season as ECU’s head coach.

If the Pirates finish the rest of the season undefeated it could total 33 wins, which is unlikely but would be impressive nonetheless. The last time the Pirates finished a season with over 30 wins was 2010-11, where ECU won 41 games and were crowned Conference USA champions.

“There’s a lot of the year left,” said Oliver. “We can’t just pack it in, we’ve got to keep getting better.”

The Pirates have one consistent pitcher on the mound, with junior right-hander Lydia Ritchie. Ritchie has an ERA of 2.68, which is the lowest on the team. The entire Pirate pitching staff has an ERA of 4.04.

“Lydia has been a strong hold for us,” said Oliver. “Our hitters need to get more to give relief for the pitchers.”

Only seven of the next 15 games are at home for the Pirates. The Pirates have only tallied one win in another opponent’s home stadium this far, showing that playing on the road has not been profitable for ECU.

“It’s nicer when we are at home, we get to play on our own turf, and the girls get to sleep in their own beds and prepare themselves like they would normally,” said Oliver. “These long stretches of away games can be tiring.”

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Three-and-out Pirates swept in weekend series by Tulsa

Allison Jobe
TEC STAFF

In American Athletic Conference play, the East Carolina softball team fell to Tulsa over the weekend, dropping all three games in the three-day series.

The Pirates lost their lead Sunday afternoon after the Golden Hurricane (26-7, 5-1 AAC) toppled ECU (18-21, 0-6 AAC), 11-3 in five-innings, to close out the sweep.

“It didn’t go very well. It didn’t go how we had planned or expected. We’re a little limited in the circle right now, and right now we just have to try and outscore our opponents,” head coach Courtney Oliver said.

For the first time in the series, the Pirates received a lead when junior first baseman Ali Ramirez crushed a 2-2 pitch over the left center field fence, putting ECU ahead 1-0, in the top of the second.

Freshman infielder Morgan Halo recorded her first collegiate home run in the top of the fifth inning. Halo ended the day with a run scored and two RBI. Freshman Mary Williams (3-8) tossed her third complete game of the season and allowed 11 runs on eight hits with three walks and a strikeout.

The Pirates dropped an 8-0 decision in five innings Saturday against the Golden Hurricane. Senior outfielder

Nicole Cheek collected ECU’s only base knock of the game in the first inning.

Junior RHP Lydia Ritchie (11-8) allowed a run on one hit with two walks and a strikeout in 2 2/3 innings of work, while Tulsa’s Emily Watson (9-6) tossed a complete-game shutout with three walks and nine strikeouts.

Sophomore Kerry Butler earned her first start of the campaign, as she started at second base Saturday. The Golden Hurricane scored in each of the first four innings Friday as they took a five-inning,

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TAKEAWAYS

BASEBALL

ECU (19-9, 2-1 AAC) took two of three over conference opponent Houston last weekend.

BASEBALL

Pitcher Jimmy Boyd was named the AAC Pitcher-of-the-Week Monday afternoon.

MEN'S GOLF

The Pirates will host the second leg of the East Carolina Intercollegiate at Brook Valley Country Club.

WOMEN'S GOLF

ECU’s Frida Gustafsson Spang and Nicoline Skaug both tallied top-10 finishes at the Bryan National Collegiate.

SOFTBALL

The Pirates (18-21, 0-6 AAC) were swept by Tulsa over the weekend, extending their losing streak to eight.

CHARLOTTE HORNETS

The Hornets (44-32) dropped Sunday’s contest with the Cleveland Cavaliers, 112-103.

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Pirate offense takes shape

Gerin Honeycutt
TEC STAFF

With the hiring of head coach Scottie Montgomery, change has been inevitable for the East Carolina football team. That statement is no more true than on the offensive side of the ball where new offensive coordinator Tony Petersen is already leaving his fingerprints.

Last year was considered a disappointing season for the Pirates. Going in with high expectations under former head coach Ruffin McNeill, the season had almost ended before it started when starting quarterback Kurt Benkert went down in training camp with an ACL tear. Benkert’s injury would leave the team in the midst of a season-long quarterback battle between James Summers and Blake Kemp, both of which will be absent in the ECU backfield this upcoming fall.

However, after getting Benkert back for his junior season and bringing in Rutgers transfer quarterback Philip Nelson, the quarterback situation is quite different from the one the Pirates found themselves in last season. The welcomed return of both the signal callers means Petersen has more weapons to upstart the offense.

“To be honest, our quarterbacks are ahead of where we are offensively. They know it. They’re ahead, they know our offense, they’re having to line guys up sometimes,” Montgomery said. “It’s good they know what we’re doing but they have a tremendous amount of talent. This [competition], it’ll shake out when it shakes out.”

Both quarterbacks will have the luxury of working with the new coordinator Petersen. Petersen was recruited from Louisiana Tech, where he coached under former Pirate head coach Skip Holtz.

Quarterbacks have been known to thrive in Petersen’s passing attack offense. Petersen’s latest quarterback at LA Tech, Jeff Driskel, finished his senior season with 27 touchdowns to only eight interceptions, managing to post a whopping 154 quarterback rating. Throughout his coaching career Petersen has developed quarterbacks Byron Leftwich, Chad Pennington, Bret Myers and Rakeem Cato, showing his capability to teach the position.

“I got two legitimate quarterbacks and



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An East Carolina running back carries the ball during one of the Pirates’ spring practices.

they’re both doing well. They’re both learning really fast. They know the offense better than anyone out there and we’re excited about both of them,” Petersen said.

Petersen himself was a quarterback at Marshall, where he led the Thundering Herd to the NCAA Division I-AA National Championship Game behind a school record 35 touchdown passes. He was named the 1988 Southern Conference Athlete-of-the-Year and the SoCon Offensive Player-of-the-Year in 1987.

Though Peterson is a quarterback whizzer, running backs thrive in his system. His offense is one that uses a running back in every way possible. Be that running down the defense’s throat, outside zones, blocking, splitting out wide or catching out of the backfield. Running back is probably the most utilized position in his scheme.

The ECU offense will look much different with Montgomery’s passion for physicality, putting the quarterback under center and running the football. Physicality has been Montgomery’s favorite word all spring, and he says it starts up front in the trenches.

“You get a first down, that ain’t physical

enough. You’ve got to be able to score the football on third-and-one and fourth-and-one when everyone in the building knows that you’re going to run it and there’s ten in the front,” said Montgomery.

Though Montgomery and Petersen have a ways to go before their offensive scheme is complete, they both love the new plethora of athletes ECU presents them with and their capability to pick up everything they’ve been taught in such a short amount of time.

“I think we’re adjusting very well, I think we’re ahead of the schedule for how quickly we’ve been putting things in. But at the same time, you can tell we still have quite a few plays and things to install,” Philip Nelson said.

Though it’s important, learning the offense is not Montgomery’s main focus. The first-year head coach is leaving that in the hands of Petersen. However, the identity of the team comes straight from Montgomery’s time in the AFC North.

“I just want to see us be the most physical and dominate physical team,” Montgomery said.

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Senior pair impresses

Golfers Skaug, Gustafsson notch top-10 finishes

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Over the weekend senior golfers Nicoline Engstroem Skaug and Frida Gustafsson Spang fought through a difficult course in the wind to land themselves in top 10 finishes at the Bryan National Collegiate in Greensboro, North Carolina.

“I think the weather probably played a little bit of a factor in it, but more than anything else the greens are really tough,” said head coach Kevin Williams. “It was a tough golf course. You had to be really patient and I thought a lot of times our younger players didn’t have as much patience, and that’s something they’ll learn.”

Skaug led the Pirates in the first round on Friday after she managed to record four birdies to earn a score of 3-under on the front nine. Skaug finished the opening round with a score of 2-under par 70, allowing her to lead the field. On Saturday, she shot four bogies and fired a 2-over 39 on

the back nine. On the final day Skaug claimed her second top 10 finish of the season after placing eighth. She also led the field in total birdies over the weekend.

“She’s really focused and driven to make something special out of her senior year,” said coach Williams. “She’s an excellent player...there’s no question her experience helped her a lot on a tough golf course.”

Spang, who entered the tournament No. 8 nationally by Golfstat, also recorded a top 10 finish after continuously advancing positions each day to finally land her in seventh. Spang closed the first round tied for 22nd after carding 3-over par 75. She then jumped seven spots to tie for 15th on day two with four bogeys, two birdies and 12 pars.

“She battled really hard to shoot 75 that first round, and I thought as each round went along she became more trusting in her golf swing and more patient in playing the golf

course,” said coach Williams.

Freshmen Catherine Ashworth and Kate Law closed out the tournament tied for 40th and tied for 51st, respectively. Junior Lisa Pettersson tied for 60th with a score of 239, and senior Lane Gakeler finished 82nd as an individual.

“We battled even as the freshmen and sophomores struggled this week, there were some really nice rounds out of them,” said coach Williams. “They’re working hard and I think the experience was a big plus this weekend.”

The Pirates will return to action April 9 in Wallace, North Carolina, to compete in the River Landing Classic.

“Being closer to home is a big help,” said coach Williams. “We’re playing a little more this spring than we have in the past, so I think playing close to home is important since we’re playing so many times.”

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12-3 victory over the Pirates.

Ritchie gave up five runs on five hits in 1 2/3 innings of work while striking out one batter. Williams threw the final 2 1/3 innings and allowed seven runs [four earned] on seven hits with no walks and three strikeouts.

The Pirate pitching staff did not walk a batter for the second time this season. Smith reached base for the 16th-straight game and notched her team-leading 10th multiple-hit effort of the campaign.

Sophomore third baseman Karlie Smith and senior outfielder Meredith Mitchell led the ECU offensive efforts with two hits apiece. Junior outfielder Ciara Ervin posted her team-leading fourth home run of the season in the top of the fourth inning.

“I thought Karlie Smith had a pretty good weekend, she was swinging it pretty good. Lydia, when she was in there, did a decent job. Ali Ramirez had a

pretty good couple of bats, and Morgan Halo had her first collegiate home run,” Oliver said.

The Pirates dropped to 1-8 on the road, while Tulsa improved to 8-0 at home.

ECU will face Campbell tonight for a single contest in Buies Creek before continuing conference play this weekend at home for a three-day series against Memphis.

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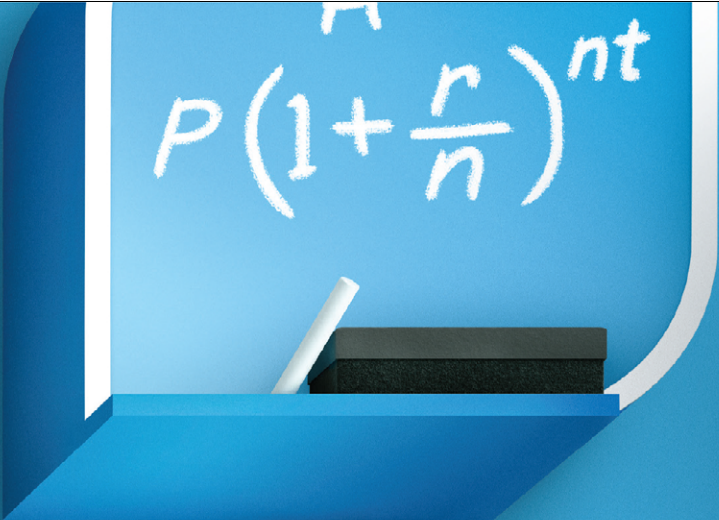
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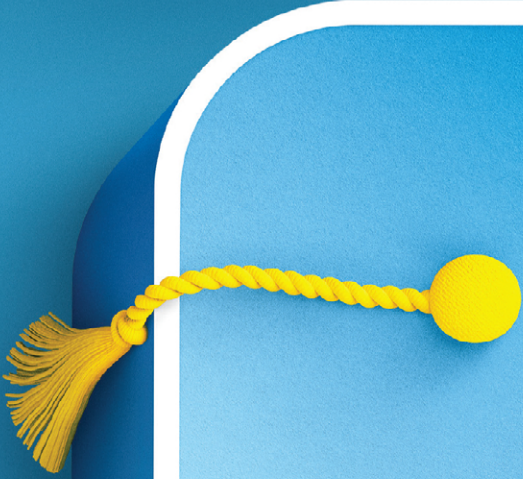




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