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Students charged in breaking and entering

Matthew Prensky
TEC STAFF

According to the Greenville Police Department, six East Carolina University students have each been charged with a felony stemming from a disagreement last weekend.

Brandon Stroud, 18, Taylor Larson, 19, Casey Dyer, 20, Tanner Bridges, 21, Caleb Quinn, 20, and Dylan Cole, 19, were all charged by the GPD with one count of felony breaking and entering, according to the police

records. The six individuals are still actively enrolled at ECU, according to university records.

“The victims reported they were upstairs when they heard loud banging on their front door,” said Kristen Hunter, spokeswoman for Greenville Police. “They went downstairs to discover that a group of males had entered their unlocked apartment through the front door and took their dog.”

The men allegedly entered apartment 122 at The Bellamy apartment complex just before 1

a.m. last Saturday. The residents, who were home at the time, told police that the men had entered their home through the front door which was unlocked. They also told police the intruders had stolen their dog. After the intruders left, they tried to re-enter the residence by pushing through the front door. Eventually the six men left without the dog. Neither the dog nor residents were hurt as a result of the break in.

“A short time later the suspects called one of the victims

while police were still on-scene and advised him to meet them in the 200 block of Library Street to fight,” said GPD.

Greenville Police responded to the 200 block of Library Street where the six intruders asked to fight the residents. Police detained the individuals at that scene.

“After further investigation, officers determined the suspects targeted the apartment with the intent of getting revenge against one of the victims because of an earlier alleged incident between

the victim and a female who was a friend of the suspects,” said Hunter.

The home received minor damage as a result of the forced entry, according to the police report. Each of the accused, if convicted, can face up to 25 months in jail. The six men will come before a Pitt County judge next month in relation to their charges.

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Debate raises awareness for ECU students

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Turning Point and the Political Science department at East Carolina University hosted a debate Tuesday night between representatives of ECU’s College Democrats, Young Americans for Liberty, and College Republicans in the Science and Technology building.

Students flocked in great numbers to the lecture hall, which had been converted into a sprawling debate platform, to fulfill passport requirements and watch the showdown between the three political organizations.

Mediated by ECU political science professor Peter Francia, the debate featured questions centered on prevalent national issues such as national security, domestic policy and the economy.

With a total of 11 questions brought up in the debate, the issues of terrorism, the war in Iraq and foreign nuclear policy surrounding North Korea and Iran were the most thought-provoking for the participants.

“Iran has not been making empty threats because Iran is a serious threat to national security, but had we not struck a deal with them, I’d hate to see what the outcome would’ve been,” said Vice President of the College Democrats Kristoffer Rixon.

The Libertarians and Republicans differed in opinions on the Iran Nuclear Deal which was signed last year by Democratic Secretary of State John Kerry.

“The Iran deal is the second most embarrassing thing I’ve ever seen next to Obamacare as a Republican,” said College Republicans President Roger Villarreal.

All sides agreed that the war in Iraq had a detrimental effect to the Middle East, but the participant’s stances on confronting terrorism and general foreign policy mostly reflected the positions of their desired presidential candidates.

“By siding with the right [Republicans] or the left [Democrats], the American people are subscribing to the sanctioned murder of innocent people,” said ECU College Libertarians Co-President David Fitzgerald.

The Libertarian group stood out during foreign policy sections of the debate, even correcting the Republican and Democratic sides while also offering historical references to explain the turmoil in the Middle East.

The economy and accumulating national debt was another pressing topic throughout the debate. The College Republicans used Obama’s handling of economic policies as a talking point.

“As a country, unfortunately President Obama has failed us in terms of economics regarding

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SEARGENT IN CHARGE



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Sophomore cornerback Corey Seargent points to a fellow Pirate defender during ECU’s dominating 52-7 win over Western Carolina.

Sophomore corner making early impact

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When starting sophomore cornerback Corey Seargent decided to choose East Carolina over Big 12 schools Kansas and Kansas State, he had playing early in the front of his mind.

The Rock Hill, South Carolina native made it clear that he wanted to be a Pirate as a high school senior because of ECU’s strong recruiting presence and the high possibility of early playing time, though nothing was guaranteed.

“Kirk Doll, he’s no longer with us, he did a great job recruiting, he’s the one who found Corey Seargent, he’s the one who found Colby Gore, and those two guys are as good of corners as we’ve had since I’ve been here,” said defensive backs coach Rick Smith.

Fast forward two years later, and as a true sophomore and a starter, Seargent often appears to be the best cornerback on the field, no matter the team.

“In my mind I’m the best player on the field so who ever comes up against me has to be on their best

because I’m going to be on mine,” said Seargent.

Though Seargent’s seven tackles and three pass deflections through three games won’t jump out at any statistician, what does stick out is his blanket coverage on tape. With his ability to play both the wide and boundary side of the field, Seargent has taken his game to another level and if needed, could be asked to shadow a receiver.

Coming up with a huge play in the season opener on Western Carolina’s opening drive, Seargent stripped his receiver off the ball, leading a Travon Simmons’ interception. He didn’t receive the glory Simmons got for the interception, but any cornerback will tell you, if you don’t hear their name that usually means the game is going in their favor.

Ultimately, this has become the case with Seargent’s stats, too. It’s awfully hard to fill the stat sheet with interceptions and pass break ups when quarterbacks are throwing away from him.

Listed at 6-feet, he showed it didn’t matter when the Gamecocks

sent their 6-foot-6, 240 pound tight end to the flats on a first quarter third down. Seargent closed in on the bigger opponent, made a perfect formed tackle while dragging the tight end to the ground.

“Size doesn’t matter to me, I’m going to always be a little guy, so my size and physicality help me out a lot,” said Seargent.

No corner is perfect, but for now Seargent is perfect in the fact that he hasn’t given up a touchdown this season. The likelihood of keeping who he is covering out of the end zone is slim at best. But ECU has a true lock down corner in Seargent. And if he keeps playing this way, National Football League scouts will begin to take notice, if they haven’t already.

“I stay in the film room and read my playbook, that’s a big part of the game,” said Seargent. “If I’m in the film room and in my playbook, and staying focused on the field, then all the high hopes [Smith] has, I can fulfill them.”

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ONLINE

» Full production brewery set to open in early October

» Photo gallery of Carson Rhodes’ memorial on campus

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BRIEFS

ECU Event To Read Stanford Victim Letter

The passport event coming to East Carolina University, “To Girls Everywhere, I Am With You.” The event is a reading of the Stanford Victim’s Letter to her Attacker” taking place Wednesday, September 21 in Wright Auditorium at 7 p.m.

There will be a panel that follows where students can talk with representatives from the Center for Counseling and Student Development, ECU Police, Student Health Services, the LGBT Resource Office, the Department of Sociology, and the Pitt County Justice System. Students will also be able to hear the stories of survivors of sexual assault.

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ECU prepares for hurricanes

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With the busiest part of the hurricane season approaching, Pitt County and East Carolina University are ready for any storm system, with extensive plans that have students’ well being in mind.

ECU is prepared for the storm season and ready to make sure students who live in the dorms stay safe. Campus Living along with other departments have an emergency plan for hurricanes, according to Aaron Lucier, director of housing operations for ECU.

“It also depends on what the university plans,” said Lucier. “If the university makes the decision that we are closing for a few days, we are going encourage our students to go home. If the university is staying open and we are going to be shutting down for the time of the storm, we are going to give out much different messaging to our students.”

Lucier said his department tries to identify the type of impact that is predicted, then coordinate a response that would be the best fit.

Campus Living partners with other committees and the Department of Environmental Health and Safety at ECU in order to have an organized plan.

In the event of a potential evacuation Lucier said, “What we would do is encourage students that can go home to take advantage of their transportation.”

He explained that for the students that stay, either because they were from other countries or lived in coastal areas, depending on the university response, dorm residents would be asked to shelter in place. With the number of remaining students, they would either be sheltered in different buildings across campus or consolidated into one or two for their safety.

“If it looks like the impact of the storm is going to be lengthy, we would work with ECU Transit to transport students that could not go to another UNC system school,” said Lucier.

For Pitt County and the city of Greenville, coordinating with ECU to keep the area safe is important. For the Pitt County government, partnering with surrounding agen-

cies is vital.

“We are partnering with the agencies inside the City of Greenville whether that be fire rescue, whether that be the administration, as well as we are in communication with the Health and Safety Department on campus at East Carolina,” said Allen Everette, director of Pitt County emergency management. “It really becomes a partnership to work together between the university, the city and the county.”

His department begins planning for a hurricane response up to 96 hours ahead of the predicted impact. The department checks with local partners to make sure the needed resources are deployed and ready, like Pitt County schools or the American Red Cross. The department also communicates with the National Weather Service about the latest predicted impact and sends out the important safety information to the public through social media and news outlets.

Everette said depending on which storm system is incoming, the response will be different.

“Our plan will cover a wide range of things, anything from

aircraft or aviation mishaps to chemical spills, large fires, severe weather, drought and public health outbreaks,” said Everette.

Everette said there are a few safety tips people can keep in mind to be prepared during the storm season.

“We would want you to make sure that you have a preparedness kit, whether that be in your apartment or dorm, to be able to have those things like flashlights with a fresh set of batteries, water and canned food with a can opener,” said Everette. “All those things we have learned growing up through secondary education about all of those emergency preparedness kits.”

One major project the City of Greenville is currently planning is the Town Creek Culvert. The project is currently in the planning stage and is projected to be completed in two years. The plan is set to address stormwater issues in the downtown area, according to Brock Letchworth, public information officer with the City of Greenville.

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Counseling center drives mental health conversation

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With September being suicide awareness month, East Carolina University’s counseling center is hosting numerous events to encourage students to talk about suicide and mental health despite the stigmas around it.

Staff Counselor Lauren Thorn, who also serves as the outreach coordinator, said they are hosting an event about mental health on campus today at 4 p.m., along with Fresh Check Day on Nov. 2, which gives students the opportunity to check up on their mental health. Other events like suicide awareness week and tabling events were held earlier this month.

“We’re really just trying to get the message out there,” Thorn said.

In addition, the counseling center offers year-round services to students in need. The

counseling center is open for appointments Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., where students can meet with licensed counselors like Thorn.

“One of the things we do throughout our work, is we’re here to ask the hard questions,” Thorn said.

In every assessment, the counselors are responsible for identifying the difference between suicidal thoughts and actually following through with them. They also offer information on emergency services such as the ECU Crisis Center, crisis text line, chat options and the Trevor Project, which is a national suicide hotline for gay and questioning youth.

Students also can join organizations like To Write Love On Her Arms that help get the message of suicide and mental health awareness out. Vice President of TWLOHA Brittany George, who is a junior family and community services major, said she has experienced and witnessed the struggles people face with mental health.

We want to reach students with mental health struggles.

Brittany George

“My sister has attempted suicide numerous times,” George said. “On top of that, I struggle with anxiety and depression. It has been a long road, but I’m grateful for clubs like TWLOHA that encourage awareness and talking about the problems.”

TWLOHA started in 2006 by a student whose sister committed suicide, and George joined the club last spring. She said she joined the club to develop a support system and help raise awareness for the issue of mental health and suicide.

“People need people,” George said. “We want to reach students with mental health struggles and those who struggle with self-harm and suicide.”

Likewise, Thorn said she believes communication is key. She said to not be afraid to talk to a friend who seems like they’re struggling.

“Just being able to let someone know, ‘hey I’m worried about you’ to ‘I don’t want to damage our friendship, but if you want to talk about something I’m here,’” Thorn said. “Just by leaving that door open, that if someone has interaction with you, this person will listen.”

Coping issues are a big reason why students commit suicide, said Thorn. Students who feel alone and trapped feel like suicide is their only option.

“Some people don’t know that it’s okay to talk,” George said. “It’s a big problem, and not many people realize how big of an issue it is.”

According to a study done by the Center for Disease Control in 2013, suicide was the second leading cause of death for people 15-34 years-old. It also said 7.4 percent of 18-24 year-olds have suicidal thoughts.

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Health officials monitor Zika virus in Pitt County

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The number of cases for the Zika virus in North Carolina has risen over the past few months, but there have been no cases in Pitt County as of last week.

Associate Director for Clinical Operations at ECU Student Health Ellen Goldberg said the virus is being monitored, but is not a huge concern for most people in the area as of now.

“It seems like every day new information is coming out and the people that are researching it are finding out more and more about it each week,” Goldberg said. “So we’re definitely staying on top of it and kind of keeping an eye on where it’s moving around and places that it’s starting to pop up and how it’s transmitted and all of those things.”

Zika is something health officials at ECU keep in the back of their minds, particularly if a student who has travelled comes in, according to Goldberg.

“We are most concerned about people that are actually travelling. So anybody that’s going to go overseas to any of the countries where it is heavily occurring now or if they’re travelling

to some other places that have had, like Miami, certain areas even in this country have seen kind of an up-kick in the cases,” Goldberg said. “So we would certainly recommend to anybody travelling to areas where mosquitoes are prevalent to use repellent.”

Knowing that students would be travelling over the summer, student health put some information out on its website about Zika. Goldberg said individuals protecting themselves from mosquito bites by using sprays and lotions that have mosquito repellent in them, dressing appropriately, staying indoors, etc. are the most helpful things to help prevent getting the Zika virus when travelling.

“Some students are travelling to very remote places, so we talk to them about even netting when they go to sleep, making sure that they’re covered when they’re sleeping, because we want to prevent those bites as much as we can,” Goldberg said.

For students who are not travelling, but concerned about Zika, Goldberg said taking precautions with sex is important.

“We do know that Zika is sexually transmitted and that’s been proven. A

lot of the cases that have happened in this country are a result of someone having sex with someone who has travelled to a Zika area,” Goldberg said. “If they know that their partner has recently travelled to an area that Zika is prevalent, then certainly, they would need to use protection.”

Goldberg said while the biggest risk is to women who might get pregnant or are pregnant, it has been proven that men can transmit the virus as well.

“So if you’re going somewhere, mosquito protection is very important,” Goldberg said. “And if you’re going to be with someone who has travelled, then certainly taking precautions to prevent sexual transmission is important.”

If students have questions about Zika, Goldberg said they should contact student health so she and other health-care officials can help direct them to good resources.

“We are getting calls about it, so certainly if students have questions they’re more than welcome to call,” Goldberg said. “We also have an email service; it’s gotquestions@ecu.edu.”

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DEBATE continued from A1

Domestic policy responses stances such as same-sex marriage hit home for representatives like Rixon, who shared a little about his personal life.

“I truly believe that the US Supreme Court ruling

in Obergefell v. Hodges was correct because being gay myself, I really believe that LBGTQ rights are human rights,” Rixon said. While no clear winner was stated, the general consensus among students that attended was favorable towards the Libertarians.

Turning Point USA President Giovanni Triana said

he hopes to get a bigger venue for the next debate in order to market the event more.

Triana said he believes the event accomplished the goal of educating students about politics, but he encourages students to do their own research.

“We covered a very vast array of issues,” Triana said. “Now you can’t

really find out everything about the issues that are in our country in just two minute segments, so I encourage students to do their research on their own.”

At the debate, Turning Point USA had a table set up

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PIRATE RANTS

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

Alumni here, you lazy undergrads need to stop complaining and use rants how they are supposed to be used; for talking about how ****faced you got last night.

Blood Drive Thursday! Mendenhall 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Show how you bleed Purple and Gold!

I hate both candidates, rather a potato be president

Fire #isitreal

My cat can type better rants than what I've been seeing.

Drink machine, ice machine, elevator list of broken **** #umstead

Hey ladies bikini season never ends #hottubseason

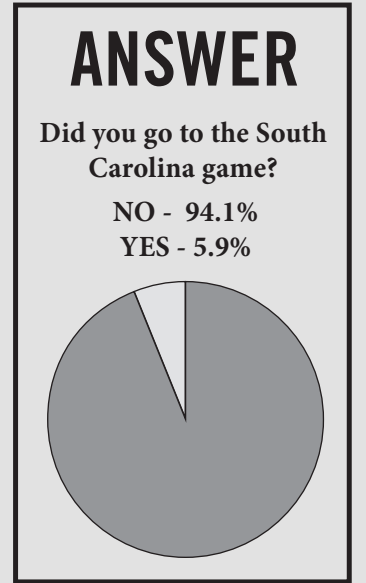
Need practice talking to girls? Starbucks lines are the place. Regardless of what you say they are waiting for coffee

I wish I could turn rain into wine, that way I could get drunk going to class

For all you freshmen who passed your first exams, don't worry there are plenty more to fail

Girls these days are savage. Acting all sweet and sugar and I love you and then 50 shades of gray behind your back.....SMH

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Our view

Lack of knowledge leads to gas panic

Following this past weekend’s gas fiasco, we as an editorial staff believe the attention surrounding the leaking pipeline was blown way out of proportion. Anyone with access to social media was aware of the leaking pipeline in Alabama that caused gas to become scarce and prices to skyrocket in the southeast. While as a result of the pipeline leak, there was a shortage in gas, it has not reached epidemic levels as once speculated. As drivers lined up down the street at local gas stations just to top off their tanks, they left others who were actually in need of gas in long lines waiting for an open pump. The mass panic that resulted from the leaking pipeline caught like fire as people started to imagine

living without gas for a week when in reality, they had enough gas to last them until the pipeline was fixed. We believe the overreaction was unfortunate and simply reading an article about the burst would have let people know the shortage was only to last until Tuesday morning. The pipeline leak was presented as a major problem that would put an entire quarter of the country at a loss. What was started as regular news coverage to inform the public soon became a windstorm of panic at near mass-hysteria proportions. We believe the panic could have been minimized if only people had focused less on the the possibility of a gas shortage and more on actual problem at hand.

Author leaves her mark



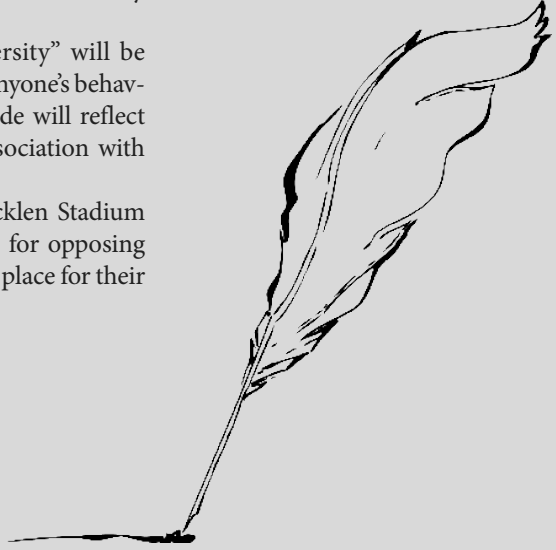
Lindsay Rayner
OPINION EDITOR

“The Opposite of Loneliness” by Marina Keegan is undoubtedly one of the best books I have read in all my 21 years. My favorite piece from the book is “The Opposite of Loneliness,” an essay that had appeared in the graduating issue of the *Yale Daily News*. Within a week of Keegan’s death, more than a million people had read the essay. In this essay, Keegan describes how it feels to be a student at Yale — a feeling that has no one word but would be best described as the opposite of loneliness. “It’s not quite love and it’s not quite community; it’s just this feeling that there are people, an abundance of people, who are in this together.” I feel the truth of Keegan’s words at ECU everyday. On my walk to class through a crowded campus, as I circle every floor of Joyner Library looking for a seat and when I scan the crowd of purple and gold during a football game in Dowdy-Ficklen Stadium. An abundance of people, who are in this together. I didn’t know Marina Keegan, and this book isn’t even a story of her life. But she had a brilliant way of putting the average young person’s thoughts into words. She built a connection with her readers with every one of her stories, and because of that I feel myself grieving her death as if she was an old friend. Keegan was an award-winning author, journalist, playwright, poet, actress and activist. Only five days after graduating magna cum laude from Yale University, Keegan was tragically killed in a car accident. Her boyfriend was driving her from brunch with her grandmother to her family’s summer home on Cape Cod to celebrate her father’s birthday. Keegan’s boyfriend fell asleep at the wheel, causing the car to hit the guardrail and roll over twice. Her boyfriend was unhurt but she perished. In honor of Keegan’s talents and determination to become a writer, her parents and teachers put together a collection of Keegan’s essays and stories. The best way to describe what makes this book is so great was said by Anne Fadiman, a professor, mentor and friend to Keegan during her time at Yale. “Marina was 21 and sounded 21, a 21 who knew her way around the English language, a 21 who understood that there were few better subjects than being young and uncertain and starry-eyed and frustrated and hopeful.” Keegan wrote about things that all 20-something-year olds can relate to like relationships, life after college and family drama. She even wrote about random things like whales and the life of an exterminator. No matter the topic, every meaning was remarkably clear. Each short story was busting with so much vivid detail that made me feel as if I was watching a movie as I read. Keegan’s work is simply amazing, and from this point on I will strive to write with as much integrity as she had. Lindsay Rayner is a senior majoring in communication and the TEC opinion editor. To contact her, email opinion@theeastcarolinian.com.

Letters to the editor

Leave aggression to players on field

As an alumnus (’80) who went to every home game during my four years in Greenville, I watched the ECU/NC State game last Saturday with great excitement. The players played their hearts out, the stadium keeps getting bigger and better and the crowds are amazing. Two days after the game, I was talking with a friend who is a NCSU grad. He and his wife went to the game and he told me that it will be his first and last visit to Dowdy-Ficklen. When they were leaving the stadium, a student emerged from a group of people just 10 feet ahead of them and yelled, “F*** State” in their faces. He said that a woman who went to the ladies’ room in the stadium had a similar unprovoked experience. The overwhelming majority of our fans show up to cheer our team and not to hurl insults and profanities at the fans of opposing teams. If you are one of the few who engage in that behavior, then you should take the high road and stop it now. If you see any of our fans behaving in that manner, then say something to them. “East Carolina University” will be written on your diploma and anyone’s behavior that is inconsiderate or rude will reflect negatively on you by your association with that name. Let’s make Dowdy-Ficklen Stadium a brutally tough environment for opposing players on the field, but a great place for their fans. Go Pirates! Signed, Hansen Matthews



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RE CARS

Carson Wayne Rhodes
October 6, 1992 - September 18, 2016

Carson Wayne Rhodes was born on Oct. 6, 1992. Rhodes passed away suddenly on Sep. 18, leaving behind

his parents, Trina and
brother, Collin Rhodes;
Anna Rhodes.

Carson graduated from Carolina University in 1997 with a bachelor's degree in psychology.

"I remember when I first met him, he had this glow about him. Like, 'I want and you're gonna allow it' lol and you bet your [expletive] it was worth it. Every day at our office was a constant catty battle but after a few p[er]iods with a white gay man

"When I found out about Carson passing on Sunday, I was in comp all, nonetheless work side-by-side with him at our first internship. He was Carson could never say they don't have a friend, because that's how he t and learned so much from him in the process. Not only did he teach me me what a good leader looks like, he taught me how much diplomacy ar while they're still here. My thoughts are going out to his family, and to all

"Carson, there was never a dull moment in your presence. Your s

"I am honored to say that not only was Carson a fellow pirate, but I

were so excited. I always turned to Carson if I had a question about cam

ticket and give it to me. He lived his life as an ECU Pirate to the fullest! T

"I transferred to ECU from Maryland in January 2016. I knew not me to the people of Aim Higher Now, a non-partisan political non-profit brother, nonetheless. We're all saying it poured on Greenville the following because of him I'll be graduating ECU with a political science degree, and unfortunately, there's an empty spot in the audience I'll never get over. Whether because of Carson. I hope to be half as compassionate

"Carson was my best friend, we shared so many memories and laughs. He was like my twin, we were literally two peas in a pod. He was a true LGBTQ+ friend."

"Carson. Some of the best months of my life were spent at the Belair Hotel in Baltimore. I'll never forget the night we met on Instagram. I'll never forget the night we danced in the kitchen. I'll never forget the complete stranger who ran out of gas. I'll never forget my first LGBT meeting. I'm sorry we lost touch. I'm so

"So many ways to describe Carson Rhodes. Just a few that come to mind. I was never close to him, but I was out with him more often than I did, Carson still left an impression on me. I was grateful I had the opportunity to meet this extraordinary person and to be around him. He was always throwing the best parties, of course. Carson always made me feel

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REMEMBERING CARSON RHODES

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Carson was well known in his community in Greenville, North Carolina, because he served in many committees. He was involved in the

Higher Now. Carson's dream was to one day run for office. There will a celebration for Carson's life tomorrow at 7 p.m. on campus in Hendrix Theatre.

- Amir Rankin

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-Arianna Blakeslee

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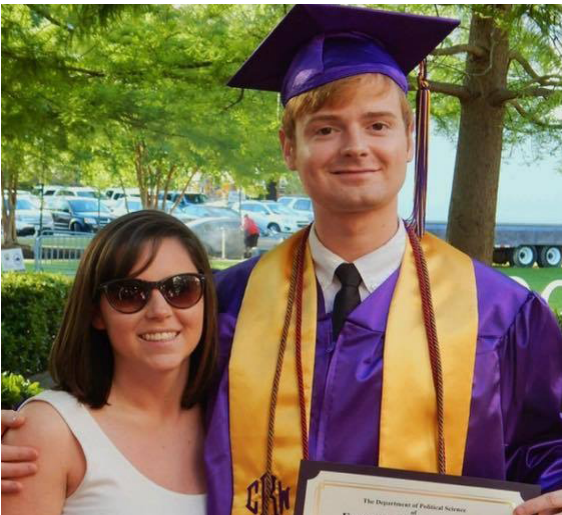
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-Brittany Clark



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Until Sept. 25

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FRIDAY

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Minges Coliseum

6:30 p.m.

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Minges to host Travis Tritt

Big names bring positive image to local music scene

Arvanna Smart
TEC STAFF

Following the success of August's first ever Carolina Kickoff, an abundance of country talent will be making their way to Greenville starting off with Travis Tritt this Friday.

The Grammy award winning country artist is well-known for hit singles "It's a Great Day to Be Alive," "Help Me Hold On," "Best of Intentions," and "Take It Easy," a collaboration with The Eagles. Tritt, who won new artist of the year at the Country Music Awards in 1991, has been playing music for over two decades.

Along with Tritt, other country musicians such as Brad Paisley, Parmalee and Blake Shelton are also set to perform in Greenville throughout the coming year.

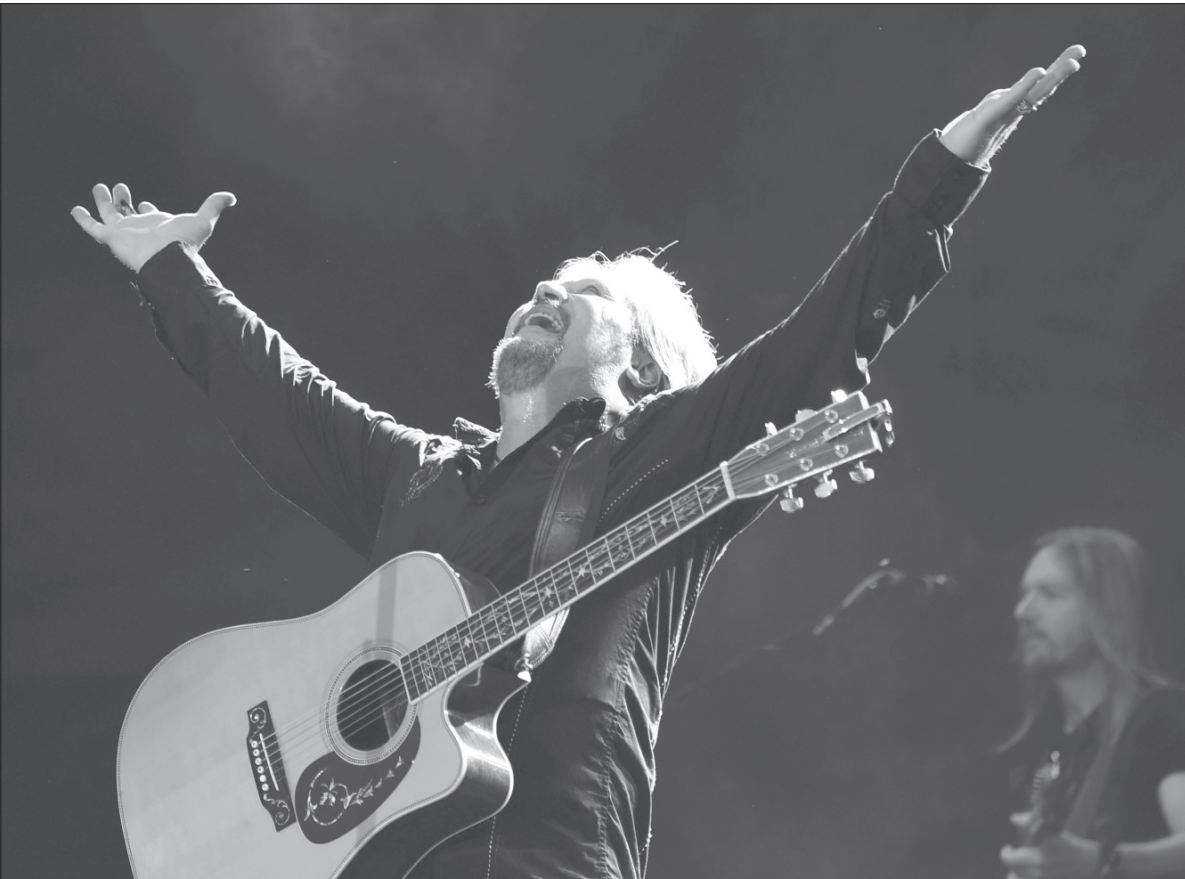
For Brad Bogaczyk, a freshman sports physiology major, seeing Travis Tritt and other big names come to ECU has helped shape a positive view of the university in the time that he has been here.

"I love what ECU is doing for its students," Bogaczyk said. "Having these artists play here really builds a new respect for the music and for the school."

In a statement made by ECU's Athletic Director, Jeff Compber, following the announcement of Blake Shelton as Carolina Kickoff's 2017 headliner, hosting concerts is largely a part of the university's goal to utilize sports venues as a way to establish Greenville as a music destination.

"A few years ago we made a decision that we wanted to use our venue for more than just sporting events, that we wanted to actually become a venue for other events; concerts, shows and make Greenville and ECU a destination," Compber said. "This is a big part of that and also part of our branding as a university and as a community."

Blake Shelton is a five-time male vocalist of the year winner and Grammy nominee. He also won Country Music Association's 2012 "Entertainer-of-the-Year," and has 17 consecutive No.



Travis Tritt finishes performing a song on stage. The Grammy award winning country artist will be performing at Minges Friday.

1 singles, making the singer one of the big names ECU aims to bring in in an effort to establish Greenville as a concert destination.

Even though country may not be the genre of choice for students like Kyra Brown, a senior public health major, bringing in names like Shelton and Tritt is well worth the effort, as Brown predicts it will help to create a better image for Greenville's music scene, while also bringing in revenue.

"It'll generate a lot of money for [the area]," Brown said. "I'm not really a country music person but I do know who Blake Shelton is. I feel like everyone knows who he is like we all know who Taylor Swift is."

Much like the upcoming concerts aim to do, freshman business major Myles Kilnes hopes the performances of these country artists will continue to attract more big names to the area.

"I'm really excited to see ECU put

on the map by these [artists]," Kilnes said. "I can't wait to see what the school has in store for the future and I hope to see more big musicians and artists perform here."

For the country music enthusiasts in Greenville and at ECU, the surge in country artists performances have already drawn them in for what's to come.

"I'm so excited [Tritt] will be coming here to ECU to perform," said Gena Horton, sophomore hospitality management major. "I hope to see it continue. I went to [a concert] last year with Lee Brice and loved it. I would definitely go again especially if there are more country bands and artists since I love country music."

Tritt will be performing on September 23 at 6:30 p.m in Minges Coliseum. Tickets start at \$20 and can be purchased online at ecutickets.net

For questions or comments, contact arts@theeastcarolinian.com.

PLAN TO GO

WHAT: Travis Tritt Performance

WHEN: Friday @ 6:30 p.m.

WHERE: Minges

Dragon Dyes breathes life

into tie-dye fashion scene

Alaina Corsini
TEC STAFF
Andy Li
FOR THE EAST CAROLINIAN

A popular '60s and '70s dying trend is coming back into Greenville's style thanks to one local business and its mission to bring tie-dye back into fashion.

"My favorite thing about tie-dye is the pursuit of the perfect shirt, or tapestry," said Bedford Mundell, part owner

and head dyer at Dragon Dyes.

Over the summer, Dragon Dyes displayed its best and brightest tie-dyes for sale at downtown's weekly Umbrella Market.

The local business prides itself in using 100 percent all natural materials with its garments.

Mundell sees tie-dye as a staple item in fashion, influencing various trends throughout the decades.

"I feel that cool shirts have been part of the culture since the sixties," said Mundell. "There have been times where it was difficult to sell them but I feel that everyone can enjoy them."

Mundell's dyeing process involves time, patience and a large variety of colors. "There is no right or wrong but there can be ugly so 'pretty' is what I shoot for," he said.

At any one time he can be found using a base of 22 colors, with his favorites including "cool blues and very loud rainbows."

"The process takes a week for one or 100. There are no shortcuts," Mundell said. "The shirts are stripped then soaked, wrung, folded, dried, dyed and cured."

The items are then washed twice more to ensure shrinkage and colorfastness in the shirt. According to



Junior accounting major Molly Kube browses through Dragon Dyes shirts at the Umbrella Market.

Mundell this dyeing process is one he has honed over the last 28 years.

Some of Mundell's favorite pieces include those that explore more intricate designs than just the well-known tie-dye swirl.

"My favorite piece so far is a shirt that had a 16-point purple lotus on the front and an eight-point lotus on the back," Mundell said.

Though demand for tie-dye has remained constant, the style of the items has changed with today's evolving fashion trends. Recently Dragon Dyes has experimented with boutique type clothing in order to expand its collection.

"It has paid off in spades," Mundell said. "I love working with more expensive clothing

and my clientele loves them. We have introduced rayon to the lineup as well as pants, skirts, tights and leggings this year."

Dragon Dyes garments can be purchased through their etsy store at <https://www.etsy.com/shop/DragonDyes-TieDyes>.

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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

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37 Lease alternative

38 Babies, or what some babies wear

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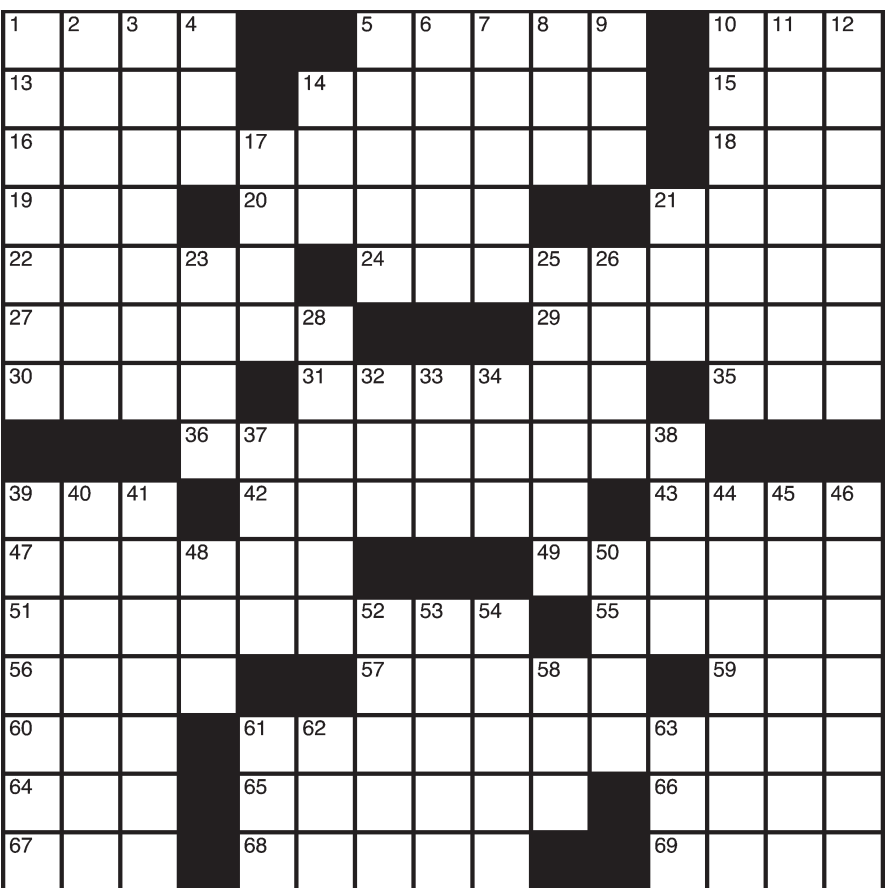
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HOROSCOPES

Aries
★★★★★★
It's easier to clear misunderstandings with Mercury direct. Communications barriers dissolve, especially regarding finances. Develop your partnerships and alliance this coming month, under the Libra Sun.

Taurus
★★★★★★
Talk with your partner. It's easier to express yourself, with Mercury direct. Grow your physical strength and vitality over the next four weeks with the Sun in Libra.

Gemini
★★★★★★
You're especially charming this month, under the Libra Sun. Romance blooms. Join friends and

family for fun adventures. Learn new health and work routines, with Mercury direct.

Cancer
★★★★★★
Tackle household renovation projects this month, with the Sun in Libra. Shine your light on home and family. Communication eases, with Mercury direct. Shipping and traffic flow.

Leo
★★★★★★
Communication flows more smoothly with Mercury direct. Research and write your discoveries. Promotions and marketing projects thrive this month under Libra Sun. Speak out for a good cause.

Virgo
★★★★★★
It's easier to reach consensus. Money and travel flow easier, now that Mercury's direct. Profitable ventures around this next month, with the Sun in Libra. Send invoices. Libra

★★★★★★
The spotlight's on you this month, with the Sun in your sign. Develop skills and talents. Communication channels open, with Mercury direct. Traffic issues resolve. Speak out. Scorpio

★★★★★★
Peace and quiet soothe your spirit over the next month (with Libra Sun). Private productivity

satisfies. Finish old business, and make plans. Consider old dreams and invent new ones.

Sagittarius
★★★★★★
A "glass ceiling" is dissolving. It's easier to get your message out with Mercury direct. Get social this month, with the Sun in Libra. Share love with friends. Capricorn

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It's easier to advance with Mercury direct. Brainstorm to crowd-source solutions. Professional opportunities are available over the next month (under the Libra Sun). Your status and influence are rising.

Aquarius
★★★★★★
The Libra Sun shines on the open road over the next month. Traffic and travel flow with renewed ease, now that Mercury's direct. A move or relocation is possible. Pisces

★★★★★★
Words, transport and money travel faster and further with Mercury direct. Bring home the bacon over the next month, with the Sun in Libra. Save for your family's future.

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Record 3-0 ; Closest score - 1

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Who wins? ECU, 41-27

Why? ECU will want to prove itself after losing to USC. ECU's defense will maintain VT's run game. The Hokies have overlooked ECU once again.

Gerin Honeycutt

Record 2-1 ; Closest score - 1

Football writer

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Who wins? ECU, 35-24

Why? First, I chose ECU- to lose, but after a loss full of mental errors, Scottie Mo won't take practice lightly. James Summers shines against VT again.

Adam Decker

Record 3-0 ; Closest score - 1

Football Editor

@decker2217



Who wins? VT, 24-13

Why? VT fumbled five times in its only loss. The Hokies have the second ranked defense in the nation and haven't allowed a 100 yard passer yet this season. Scary for ECU.

East Carolina running back Devin Anderson (25) celebrates after a touchdown against South Carolina. ECU plays Virginia Tech Saturday in Blacksburg.

Pirates ready for Hokies

Tori Poole
TEC STAFF

After enduring their first loss of the season, the East Carolina Pirates will hit the road again to face the Virginia Tech Hokies, in hopes of winning their seventh straight

against Atlantic Coast Conference opponents.

“We'll be prepared. I'm really looking forward to it,” ECU head coach Scottie Montgomery said. “Our guys are excited. They understand the problems. We know how to fix it. We will fix it and we'll move forward getting ready for the Hokies”

Both teams enter the Saturday matchup with identical 2-1 records. So far the Hokies have only traveled away from home once, which was their only loss of the season against the No. 14 Tennessee Volunteers.

ECU will be entering another large stadium on the road this weekend, after traveling to play the Gamecocks in their home opener last Saturday. Even though it will not be as challenging as the first road game, it will be a welcomed return home for a team coming off of a 49-point shutout win against Boston College.

In two of its three games, Virginia Tech had over 200 rushing yards, and still managed to gain 186 yards on the ground in its only loss. In every game, running back Travon McMillian has been the leading rusher with close to 40 carries on the year.

For the first time this season, the Pirates will be facing a team who has a set quarterback going into the matchup. Jerod Evans is a junior transfer from Trinity Valley Community College, standing at 6-foot-4. Evans managed to turn heads in just eight games at Trinity, as he threw for 3,164 yards and 38 touchdowns. Evans is a mobile quarterback and with his size, he will be a tough tackle for the ECU defense.

Evans also has several weapons on offense including wide receiver Isaiah Ford and tight end Bucky Hodges. So far this season, Ford has caught three touchdown passes and collected over 200 receiving yards. Hodges follows closely behind Ford with two touchdowns and 129 all purpose yards.

“[Hokies head coach Justin Fuente] has been blessed with some really good players,” said Montgomery. “Jerod Evans, his quarterback, has complete faith in No. 1 [Ford] and Bucky [Hodges], and those two combined together give them some great talent and weapons in their offense.”

So far this season, the Hokies defense has been tight and managed to keep every team they have faced from reaching 100 passing yards. The defense, coached by defensive coordinator Bud Foster, ranks second nationally, allowing only 204.7 yards a game.

The Hokie defense will prove to be a challenge for the Pirates offense coming off of a tough battle last week against South Carolina. Being able to get receivers like Zay Jones open, and allowing quarterback Philip Nelson enough time in the pocket could potentially be critical to the outcome of Saturday's game.

“They do a really, really good job offensively, defensively and on special teams,” Montgomery said. “Any time you hold a team like Boston College to a scoreless game, then you know you're playing a good football team.”

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