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ECU offensive utility player James Summers takes a moment for himself during Virginia Tech's 54-17 blowout win over the Pirates.

BLOCKED IN BLACKSBURG

Pirate special teams blunders pile up in ECU's loss

Tori Poole

TEC STAFF

As the final seconds ticked away on the clock and Virginia Tech took a knee to bring the 54-17 game to an end, the East Carolina attempted comeback fell short, as yet another game was lost due to sloppy play.

After a close loss to South Carolina the week before, the Pirates seemed poised to travel to Blacksburg, Virginia to face the Hokies. Instead, ECU delivered a performance that rivaled Week 3's loss to the Gamecocks in terms of disappointment.

ECU's special teams had some major deficits, the offensive line could not stand up to the physicality of the Virginia Tech defensive line, and there were several dropped passes that, if caught, could have altered the outcome of the game.

"We didn't win the line of scrimmage, whether it was the offense or defense. [Virginia Tech] won the line of scrimmage," ECU head coach Scottie Montgomery said.

"All in all, our guys, all coaching, playing, we've all got to do much better Monday through Friday."

The game started well with the Pirate defense holding Virginia Tech to a three-and-out. ECU's defense showed improvement against the run, as the Hokies attempted to rush three straight times for a total of only seven yards. Momentum appeared to be on the Pirates' side before a costly special teams mistake set the tone.

The game changed when ECU went three-and-out, in large part thanks to a Jimmy Williams drop on a deep ball. Worth Gregory then outkicked the coverage on his punt and Virginia Tech's Greg Stroman found a gap and returned the punt 87 yards for the first score of the game, sparking the more than 63,000 fans.

The second quarter started the Pirates' tumble, as the Pirates drove 73 yards and had their 26-yard field goal blocked, keeping the Pirates off of the scoreboard for the first half.

Following the block, kicker Davis Plowman didn't return to the game, and was limping after the game while icing his ankle. The game marked back-to-back games that the Pirate special teams unit had field goals blocked.

In addition to allowing the punt return touchdown and the blocked field goal, the Hokies blocked an ECU punt, forced a Worth Gregory turnover on downs, as well as downing C.J. Maybin after a muffed punt.

"Our special teams play has got to be light years different [starting] tomorrow," said Montgomery after the loss.

ECU's defense continued to play well in the first quarter to force two more three-and-outs after the special teams score, but then the Hokies found their rhythm on offense and began to move the ball successfully down the field.

Much like the Gamecocks game, ECU

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GPD issues murder charges after overdose

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The Greenville Police Department recently charged a local man with murder in a drug overdose that brought the issue of heroin addiction back into the public spotlight.

On Sept. 12, Ernest Lee Thompson Jr., 57, of Greenville received a true bill of indictment for one count of murder in a heroin overdose case by the grand jury. Detectives with the Greenville Police Department's Major Crimes Unit presented evidence to the jury showing how Thompson was directly responsible in the death of Kaelyn Danielle Rich, 21, of Grimesland. In late July of this year, Rich was found deceased by a relative at the Baymont Inn and Suites as a result of a heroin overdose.

Police worked through the summer to identify, then charge Thompson in the case. When police finally announced the murder charge and arrest of Thompson, Greenville Chief of Police Mark Holtzman released a personal statement about heroin addiction, "Having seen a personal friend suffer through the loss of his daughter to a drug overdose, I am deeply affected by cases such as this"

"In North Carolina, when a person supplies drugs to another, they are directly responsible if that person dies as a result," said Holtzman later in his statement. "This is an offense that the Greenville Police Department will pursue, whenever possible, to help stop the spread of this epidemic. We hope this arrest serves as a warning to anyone who views selling drugs as a victimless crime."

GPD officers interact with heroin and other addictive drugs on a regular basis, according to Sergeant Joe Friday with the GPD. Between enforcement duties, investigations and responding to overdose cases, the department interacts with the drug on a daily basis.

"We look at people with addiction issues as victims and we feel that it is critical to our mission and to the public safety of our citizens to try to identify these people, the dealers who are supplying this poison and who are the root of this opioid epidemic and hold them accountable for the havoc they are creating," said Friday.

After every overdose case, authorities work to identify the seller and provider of the drug. In some cases it leads to successful convictions, through Friday noted that at many times it is difficult to find the responsible individuals. He estimated in the last couple of years, GPD successfully charged and convicted multiple individuals who were responsible in the death of a drug addicts.

For individuals enrolled at East Carolina University, the Center for Counseling and Student Development provides students with free and confidential counseling services.

"We work with students to reduce their substance use as well as to abstain," said Hillary Liles, alcohol and drug staff counselor, at the ECU Center for Counseling and Student Development. "Also, addressing things that may have lead the student to cope with substances is important."

CCSD also provides students with community based recovery programs and other treatment options to help them. Liles said that the clinical staff is bound by confidentiality

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Greenville kicks off Oktoberfest events

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With Oktoberfest in full swing, Greenville will be kicking off festivities this week to celebrate German beer, food and fun.

Dickinson Avenue Public House (DAP House) and Christy's Euro Pub will be hosting events dedicated to the 16-day adopted holiday.

"I think it's a good cultural [experience]," said Taylor Johnson, general manager of Christy's. "It's bringing a little taste of [Oktoberfest] to right here in Greenville."

No stranger to Oktoberfest traditions, Christy's has been hosting this event annually for nearly 10 years.

"I'm a big Oktoberfest fan," said Christy's owner Tandi Mahn. "My heritage is German and we've done an Oktoberfest at Christy's ever since I've owned it."

Tickets will be sold for \$15 and will allow for an unlimited amount of tastes.

More than 10 beers will be offered, including both imported and craft beers from Germany and North Carolina-based breweries.

"I get a variety of imported and craft beers that are brewed in the marzen-style fashion," Johnson said, "or throw a little pumpkin in

there every once in awhile, because some people love the pumpkin stuff."

In addition to the variety of brews, Christy's will also be offering traditional German food items.

"We do an Oktoberfest-style menu," John-

son said. "So we bring in German sausages... schnitzel and [other] traditional menu items."

Johnson encourages all Greenville residents to attend, as they often serve a wide age range of customers, including many students.

"I think it helps that our location is close to campus," Johnson said. "We already have a big following of college students coming in."

Thursday night will be Dickinson Avenue Public House's first Oktoberfest event, after having been open for nearly a year.

Christy's owner Tandi Mahn is also the co-owner of DAP House and hopes to use her Oktoberfest event experience to make the new restaurant's event just as successful.

Tickets for DAP House's beer tasting will be sold for \$10 and will allow the customer to sample four different beers.

In addition to the eight different Okto-

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State employees to host forum on ECU/Vidant merger

The State Employees Association of North Carolina will be hosting a forum to discuss public dialogues with lawmakers and the Greenville community about a planned merger between ECU Physicians Group and Vidant Health and the impact on their employees. This event is taking place due to the rising concern that the merger could affect state employees wages, benefits and futures.

The SEANC ECU Town Hall meeting will be open to the public and take place Oct. 5 from 5:30-8 p.m. It will be located at the Eppes Recreation Center on 400 Nash St.

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O’Malley campaigns for Clinton at ECU

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Former presidential candidate Martin O’Malley visited East Carolina University’s campus Thursday to reach out to students on behalf of the Hillary Clinton Campaign at an event hosted by College Democrats.

“I am one of the very few human beings who could appear in front of you and say that I have campaigned with Hillary Clinton, and I have campaigned against Hillary Clinton,” said O’Malley. “I can tell you without any reservation that for the very tough job of president of the United States we are fortunate as a nation to have one tough person who is ready to do that job.”

Gov. O’Malley discussed a range of issues Clinton hopes to combat if elected, including college affordability, environmental issues, police brutality and the economy.

“I hope that by taking the time and the trouble to be here that maybe some of the students who were here tonight realize just what a powerful position they’re in to have an affect on the outcome of the race in swing state like North Carolina,” said O’Malley.

Anniken Williams, vice president of College Democrats of North Carolina, said having the governor come was crucial in giving students someone to voice their concerns to, as well as a resource to learn more about what Clinton will do for students, specifically with college affordability.

“I think it’s really important for ECU to have people like this to come listen to us and to come hear us,” said Williams.

O’Malley said the Clinton Administration

plans to increase funding for federal grants such as the Pell Grant, as well as increase the number of grants given to students based on income and the funding given to traditionally African-American colleges. O’Malley said war should not be the only answer to making college more affordable.

“My dad’s generation went to college on a G.I. Bill. My own kids did not go to college on a G.I. Bill, they went to college on a mountain of bills,” said O’Malley.

O’Malley said Clinton also plans to establish the repayment of student loans in terms of individual income to allow these students to pursue a career debt free.

The governor said colleges and universities should have the mindset of degree production by reforming the system of higher education from a corporate institution to one focused on the success of students.

“Do we want to go down this road where we turn college into a Lexus lane that only the wealthiest of us can pay for, or do we want to restore that rung on the ladder opportunity of affordable college for all,” said O’Malley.

O’Malley said the economy is another concern of Clinton. The nominee hopes to increase jobs to enhance the economy and to increase the minimum wage, making it a “living wage.” Clinton plans to create jobs by having the largest investment in infrastructure since Eisenhower, he said.

O’Malley served two terms as mayor of Baltimore and two terms as governor of Maryland and has experience balancing the police force and

the people they serve through the use of body and dash cams. The Clinton Administration has taken note of O’Malley’s past progress in this area and has said it plans on increasing community policing and having a national standard for use of force in response to instances of police brutality.

“The American Dream is not some amorphous idea floating out here some place in fantasyland,” said O’Malley. “It is the very real culmination of choices that we’ve made over time based on our belief and the dignity of every person — the common good we share, the truth that we are all in this together.”

During his speech, O’Malley also discussed environmental issues on the Democratic Party’s platform. O’Malley said the Clinton Administration was endorsed by the League of Conservation Voters over Bernie Sanders and even himself.

O’Malley said Clinton plans to address issues of overfishing, climate change and clean energy jobs. O’Malley said Donald Trump is not taking this issue as seriously as Clinton and even refers to global warming as a hoax as part of China’s plan to distract the United States.

O’Malley challenged people who may not have been supporters of Clinton in the beginning to realize the Democratic Party has become more progressive since the start of the race and needs their votes to improve.

“If they’re true progressives they need to drop their preciousness, get off the couch and get in the game. This is real, this is very, very real,” said O’Malley. “This is not entertainment. This is your country. Get [up] and do something about it.”

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Author discusses racism, memoir with students

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Prize-winning author Jim Grimsley met with East Carolina University students and the public last Thursday to discuss racism, cultural acceptance and his memoir, “How I Shed My Skin.”

Grimsley’s memoir retells history as his hometown, Jones County, North Carolina, began to integrate schools in 1968. His life changed when three young black girls came to his class and challenged his illusion of white superiority. The memoir gives readers insight into his life as he not only had to overcome basic struggles of adolescence, but also factors of his racist upbringing.



Author Jim Grimsley

“I was and am a racist,” said Grimsley. “Once it’s in you, it’s in you forever. You can learn to control it and understand it, but it’ll always be in you.”

In Grimsley’s afternoon discussion, he adamantly urged students to go out and discover the truth of history through the various resources ECU provides.

Through the discomfort he felt, Grimsley said he grew.

“You start to see how blind you were,” said Grimsley. “To change in that way can

be uncomfortable.”

Grimsley said he wrote his memoir so that race relations from the past and in the present could be openly reasoned through.

During the book talk, an ECU graduate student and a moderator for the event, Cameron Green, said, “Race is an uncomfortable thing to talk about and that’s why it’s not addressed. In our generation, there is repression and deep aggression.”

Throughout the talk, students repeatedly questioned Grimsley about how he surpassed his racist roots and how he sees race relations in today’s world. Grimsley admitted he believes things today are far from perfect.

This open discussion was just what ECU English professor Alex Albright was hoping

to create for his students when he organized the event. Albright has been a professor at ECU since 1981.

“The talk hasn’t gotten easier,” Albright said. “Race, homosexuality and drugs are things adults don’t want to talk about, but that’s what matters to students.”

“How I Shed My Skin” and the open dialogue it produced allowed many ECU students to have the discussion. Though the picture might not always be pleasant and simple, Grimsley said, “It’s time to end the sophisticated system to justify racism to ourselves.”

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Clement Hall renovations to affect freshmen

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Clement Hall is getting ready to undergo major changes in the next few months, which will have an impact on the students currently living there, forcing them to find housing elsewhere on campus.

Students have three options for alternative housing. Since all Clement residents are freshmen, there is no

option for off campus housing due to contract obligations.

Aaron Lucier, director of housing operations said residents can go through the open room change period that is currently going on right now. In early November, Campus Living plans to send out an email to all Clement residents asking them to update their neighborhood preferences.

Campus Living will start making new room assignments before Thanksgiving break, giving students the opportunity to move into their

new rooms before finals.

The last option would be for students to fill the vacant rooms left by students who are transferring schools, studying abroad, or pursuing internship opportunities, according to Lucier.

While the living situation isn’t ideal for some, the end results have proven themselves with the White Hall renovations last year, but not everyone is happy about the renovation process. For some students, it has created mixed feelings in regards to the proj-

ect.

“I really enjoy being on West End because I have really easy access to the dining hall and the rec center really isn’t far,” Sydney Degnan, a freshman intended elementary education major said. “It’s kind of inconvenient having to leave [your dorm] your first year of college.”

Residents of West End may remember seeing the exterior renovation of White Hall last spring. In May, the entire building was covered in a long white tarp. When students returned this past August, many noticed the

residence hall had a refreshing new look.

“We’re excited about it,” said Lucier. “It’s a great opportunity for Campus Housing to do some major renovation to a building”

Students can expect to find a similar layout for Clement Hall that is soon to come. The renovations are expected to be completed by next fall. Over the summer, phase one of the renovations took place by remodeling the bathrooms, study lounge and laundry rooms. Phase two is expected to begin in December to finish the renovations of the exterior

portion of the building.

“The university likes to go around and make sure that all of the buildings are up to date,” said Lucier. “The goal is to be able to meet the needs of today’s students instead of the needs of the back then.”

There aren’t any expected road closings that will occur with the renovation of Clement Hall, although Reade Street may be effected by an upcoming storm drain project being conducted by the city of Greenville.

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which can only be broken in certain situations like the threat of harm or by a judge’s order.

Friday was very supportive of Chief Holtzman’s statement about his mission to fight drug addiction.

“For the chief to personalize it in the way he did, it sort of validates it that drugs do not know any boundaries,” said Friday. “They do not know any social boundaries, there are no class boundaries, no race boundaries, no socioeconomic boundaries and everyone is affected by this epidemic.”

Friday admitted he had a personal connection to drug addiction, “I have an extended relative who is an addict so drug addiction creates victims. This type of addiction disrupts an entire family structures, it rips families apart. It destroys lives.”

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PIRATE RANTS

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Where were all the other two page memorials for all the other students who have lost there lives while ATTENDING ECU. Very disrespectful

Can anyone explain how destroying a city helps your cause?

Oh Hillary, I'm going to be furious if you give away college degrees now that I'm still paying for mine! My taxes will probably go toward paying for the other guy's too!

Don't be scared of the end zone football team...I promise it won't bite!

ECU Football team better show-up on Saturday. These last two games have been embarrassing!

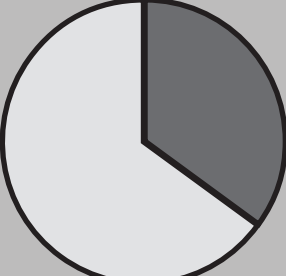
Does anyone remember our athletic department saying that we were going to WIN this season in football if we got a new coach....not looking so hot right now!

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Our view

Greenville needs to prepare for Zika

Joining the ranks of recent health scares, the Zika virus' appearance in North Carolina has yet to hit Greenville.

However, with the possibility of it crossing over into our county lines at any point, we as an editorial staff believe that both students and locals should continue to educate themselves on the virus and the different ways it can affect individuals and be spread.

While it can be transmitted via mosquito bite, the fact that it can also be transmitted sexually is something that the students of East Carolina University should acknowledge and keep in mind as well-known sexually transmitted diseases are already a concern among college students.

Though many are already taking precautions to protect against these diseases, with the possibility of Zika lurking in our state, going the extra mile during this time of uncertainty is important.

While it may seem easier to ignore a virus that has yet to manifest into a local problem, playing even the slightest part in helping to prevent its spread is something we should all be striving to do.

Even if we are fortunate enough to never have Zika hit Pitt County, protecting ourselves and others from the virus is worth the effort.

Keep the message in mind



Altavia Lowery
GUEST COLUMNIST

49ers' Colin Kaepernick took a knee during The Star-Spangled Banner at a preseason game and a few million American's feelings were hurt. His reasoning for doing so included the social injustice and the racial inequality that black men in America continue to face. In an interview with USA Today, Kaepernick claimed that he did not want to "kneel forever" but that he needed to see some major changes before doing so.

NFL players slowly but surely followed in protest including Malcolm Jenkins, Ron Brooks, Eric Reid, Antonio Cromartie and even members of the Seattle Seahawks linking arms together to symbolize unity. The protest has now stretched down to the high school football level with players kneeling. However, not everyone will support Kaepernick and have chosen to turn a blind eye to the point he is trying to make.

Marshawn Lynch, former Seattle Seahawks running back, appeared on Conan and voiced his opinion on the National Anthem protest. "With what's going on, I'd rather see him take a knee than stand up, put his hands up and get murdered," Lynch said.

Now the next question is, why are the same people who are upset about athletes protesting, not upset about minorities getting murdered by police with their hands up?

Terence Crutcher, 40, died Sept. 16 after being shot by a Tulsa police officer. Aerial and dashcam footage released after the shooting sparked outrage due to the fact that the video disproved authorities claim that Crutcher refused to put his hands up.

Keith Scott, 43, died Sept. 20 after being shot by a Charlotte police officer. After refusing to release the video, Charlotte Mecklenburg Police Department gave into the pressure of protests in the city and released it four days later. Both of these incidents, not even a week apart from one another, has added fuel to the fire on the topic of excessive force used by law enforcement on minorities.

Marshawn Lynch claimed he would rather see Kaepernick take a knee then a man get shot with his hands up, and I couldn't agree more. The nation cried boo-hoo when Kaepernick refused to stand during the national anthem and ignored his plea for a change in law enforcement killings. Yet everyone who was once mad at Kaepernick fell silent during the police involved killings that happened back to back in the past week.

I long for the day that every American can stop downplaying the seriousness of police brutality on minorities. Being a part of #BlackLivesMatter does not make one "anti-cop." I personally appreciate every risk and sacrifice taken on the day-to-day basis by American police and I think most African-Americans agree.

But this doesn't excuse shooting unarmed men because you're scared and they appear to be a threat solely based off of their skin color.

If, as an American citizen, you are more upset about a football player sitting during the National Anthem then you are when police murders an unarmed citizen with his hands in the air, you are a part of the problem. If when you see a video involving inexcusable police brutality, you create some bogus excuse like, "Well we don't know the full story," you my friend, are a part of the problem. And lastly, if your beliefs are similar to former Bears coach Mike Ditka and you "don't see all the atrocities going on in this country that people say are going on," you are the biggest supporter of the problem.

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Letters to the editor

Protest violence hits home in NC

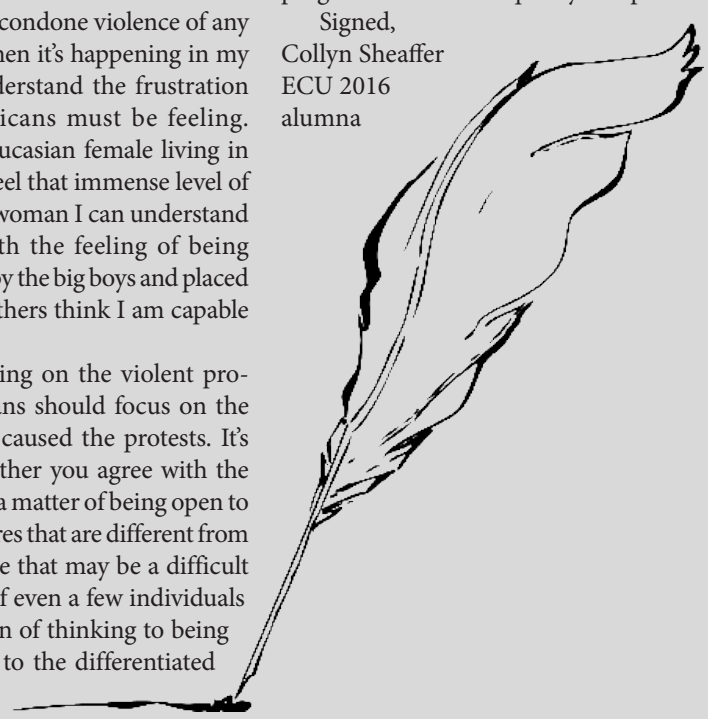
It's hard to believe what has been happening in the place that I've called home for 22 years. It's been hard to put into words what exactly has been running through my mind for over a week now. I always thought the next time I'd be writing for The East Carolinian was when Kanye actually runs for president or when something scandalous happens at the VMAs. But as someone who's always found journalism as a stress reliever, I couldn't think of a more therapeutic way to deal with these issues.

As I watched the live news coverage of the first night of protests in downtown Charlotte, I had many thoughts, but only one emotion: sadness. I was sad that the city that has always been a safe haven for me, the city that I've learned and grown in for my whole life, was being destroyed. I was sad that there is such a huge portion of this country's population who feels so disconnected and polarized and underrepresented. I was sad that the people I was watching on the news were so angry and unhappy that they felt that they could only turn to violence in order for their voices to be heard.

Although I can't condone violence of any nature, especially when it's happening in my backyard, I can understand the frustration that African Americans must be feeling. As a 22 year-old Caucasian female living in America, I'll never feel that immense level of frustration, but as a woman I can understand and sympathize with the feeling of being overlooked, hushed by the big boys and placed into a box of what others think I am capable of accomplishing.

Instead of focusing on the violent protests, more Americans should focus on the problems that have caused the protests. It's not a matter of whether you agree with the other side or not, it's a matter of being open to understanding cultures that are different from your own. And while that may be a difficult task to accomplish, if even a few individuals changed their pattern of thinking to being more open minded to the differentiated needs of others, we might actually be able to begin a process of progression towards equality and peace.

Signed,
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Award-winning guitarist to perform at ECU

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In Silviu Ciulei’s childhood home, a guitar sat gathering dust. Purchased by his grandfather, the guitar was originally intended for his older brother. However, his brother took up sports instead and the guitar went unused until Ciulei, 10 years his brother’s junior, took interest in the once forgotten instrument.

For Ciulei, this early passion for guitar is one that has led to a multi-award winning journey across the world.

As part of his east coast tour, he will be making a stop at East Carolina University tonight for a free performance.

Ciulei, who grew up in Constanta, Romania, discovered this passion for playing the guitar at age six.

Because of his brother’s success with athletics, Ciulei’s parents believed he would choose a similar path.

However, Ciulei was not interested in sports at all.

“I was what you would call an anti-sports,” Ciulei said. “My dad tried soccer and my mom tried swimming and all kinds of stuff and, I just...I got pretty good but I never like liked what I was doing.”

While his parents tried to find hobbies for him to participate in, Ciulei entertained himself by making use of the previously unused guitar in his family’s home.

“I picked up the guitar since I was

like a kid, like three or four years-old and I was riding it in the house like a motorcycle,” Ciulei said.

That’s when Ciulei’s parents decided to start him in guitar lessons before the first grade.

“My parents were trying all these things to see if I had special attributes for anything and, you know, just to give me something to do at that age,” Ciulei said.

Ciulei studied guitar for about a year under one teacher, who helped him get into the conservatory for the guitar, where he began to study music seriously.

“Everybody who was a non-pianist had to take piano, and I was also a singer in the choir and I can play bass guitar a little bit but nothing nearly as good as on guitar,” Ciulei said.

Before beginning high school, Ciulei had gone on a family vacation to Spain, where he witnessed native guitarists and became inspired by them.

“I saw these amazing flamenco players and I was like I need to play like that,” he said. “These guys were playing all these flamenco guitars all crazy with all these techniques and the strumming, so I was like ‘I need to learn how to do this.’”

With the inspiration and his talent, he decided to bring his music to America after meeting Doctor William Yelverton from Middle Tennessee State University.

“He basically recruited me,” Ciulei stated. “He helped me apply

“Whatever happens, just keep practicing and do what you know how to do really well, the best way you possibly [can.]”

Silviu Ciulei



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Silviu Ciulei plays guitar at Indiana University. The award-winning guitarist will perform tonight in A.J. Fletcher’s Recital Hall.

for other schools in the U.S. but just in case there wasn’t going to be enough money to actually give me a full scholarship, because otherwise I would not have been able to afford to come to school.”

Ciulei originally planned to study music in Germany because of the free cost of school if accepted. But once the scholarship for MTSU came through, and because of his relationship with Dr. Yelverton, he pursued his music career stateside.

After studying under Dr. Yelverton for his bachelor’s degree, Ciulei continued his education at Florida State University, which is considered

the top program in the U.S., and then to East Carolina University to study under professor Elliot Frank.

While being in the U.S., Ciulei has taken advantage of multiple opportunities that it can offer.

“It’s a much bigger country. So because of that you can go to all these places and do a lot of things,” Ciulei said. “In Europe all those states, all those countries are different countries, they speak different languages. In the United States the same thing happens with one language and there are people from all different kinds of cultures, from all parts of the world.”

In Ciulei’s years of playing, he

says the challenges he’s faced have helped shape him as a performer, so he encourages students to persist, even when facing obstacles.

“The most important thing is that there will be many challenges...the most important thing is to stick with it,” he said. “Whatever happens, just keep practicing and do what you know how to do really well, the best way you can possibly [can.]”

Ciulei’s performance will take place in A.J. Fletcher’s Recital Hall beginning at 7:30 p.m. and is free for all attendees.

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‘Medea’ set to take McGinnis

Amanda Shea
FOR THE EAST CAROLINIAN

While most of East Carolina University’s students spent the summer on vacations or sitting by the pool, preparations for the fall semester had already begun for a few aspiring actors.

With auditions being held this last spring for “Medea,” those cast in the show spent their summers memorizing lines, allowing them to jump straight into rehearsals once the fall semester began.

The show, directed by Associate Professor Gregory Funaro, brings Euripides’ classic story of revenge to the stage.

After Medea’s husband returns home from his quest of finding the golden fleece with a new wife, he banishes Medea and her sons, leading to Medea’s vengeance and drive to take charge of her life in a male-dominated world.

For main cast members, like senior Casey Scarboro, a double major in theatre and

political science who plays the nurse, rehearsing six days a week has prepared them to live up to both the School of Theatre and Dance’s standard and Funaro’s overall vision for the show.

“It’s just a very gut wrenching, very emotionally-driven show,” Scarboro said. “You really have to believe what you’re doing. You really have to just devote all your attention and dedication over to the show.”

Scarboro is no stranger to the rehearsal process. She’s been acting since sixth grade and has tackled roles in other productions at ECU like the nurse in “Machina” and musical roles such as Emma Goldman in “Assassins.”

The nurse in “Medea,” she says, has been the hardest role she has tackled at ECU.

Scarboro said she draws inspiration for her character from her everyday life.

“Outside of roles, Erica Turner, who plays Medea, is one of my closest friends,” she



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The set of “Medea,” which premieres Thursday night at 8 p.m.

said. “Being able to take what feelings I already have for her of admiration and everything and being able to amplify that and kind of throw it into the circumstances makes it easier to play my part well.”

This week, rehearsals have moved onto the main stage at McGinnis Theatre.

“We have what’s called our 10 out of 12, which is where, out of a 12-hour rehearsal period, we rehearse 10 hours,” she said. “It’s basically just getting acclimated to the space and to our new set.”

“Medea” is set to open Thursday at 8 p.m. in McGinnis Theatre.

Tickets are available online at ECU’s School of Theatre and Dance’s website, with prices beginning at \$10 for students and youth and \$15 for the general public.

While she gave no specific insight into the events of the play, Scarboro advises audience members to bring tissues and to come prepared ready to delve into the play.

“Just be ready for anything,” she said. “Because Medea definitely throws quite a few curve balls that normal audience members would not expect.”

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7:07 series brings carnival to Dowdy

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TEC STAFF
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Following last week’s 97th annual Pitt County Fair, students at East Carolina University will have the chance to enjoy similar festivities on campus.

As part of its 7:07 series, the Student Activities Board will be hosting a carnival tonight at Dowdy-Ficklen Stadium.

“It’s going to be similar to the state fair,” said Darrius Barrow, the assistant director of student activities.

Among some of the carnival’s main attractions, Dowdy-Ficklen will be home to a ferris wheel, hard slide and mechanical swings for the evening.

“It’s not every day that you can say there is a ferris wheel at your school,” Barrow said.

Attendees will also be able to participate in games and be entered in to win various prizes while attending the carnival.

Free food will be offered at the event as well, with options ranging from carnival favorites such as popcorn and funnel cakes, to other familiar options such as burgers and nachos.

“It’s [going to be] great,” Barrow said. “A lot of planning went into [the carnival.] I hope ECU will love and appreciate it.”

This semester SAB plans to continue hosting events for its 7:07 series, including an upcoming show featuring ghost hunters, an event which has been a student favorite in years passed.

The carnival is set to begin at 7:07 p.m. tonight at Dowdy-Ficklen Stadium.

Entry is free for students upon presenting their one card.

“Come and be a part of one of the biggest [events] happening at ECU this year,” Barrow said.

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berfest-style beers, a variety of
German food options will be
offered.

“We’ll have our main menu
but then we’ll have our feature
menu and that will be focused
completely around German
food,” Mahn said. “So, we have
German sausages that we got
from a company that is based in
Wisconsin but is actually origi-
nally from Bavaria, Germany,
and then we’re going to make
traditional German schnitzel
and... traditional German des-
serts.”

Christy’s Euro Pub will be
hosting its event starting at 6
p.m. tonight, with Dickinson
Public House’s event to be held
Thursday evening.

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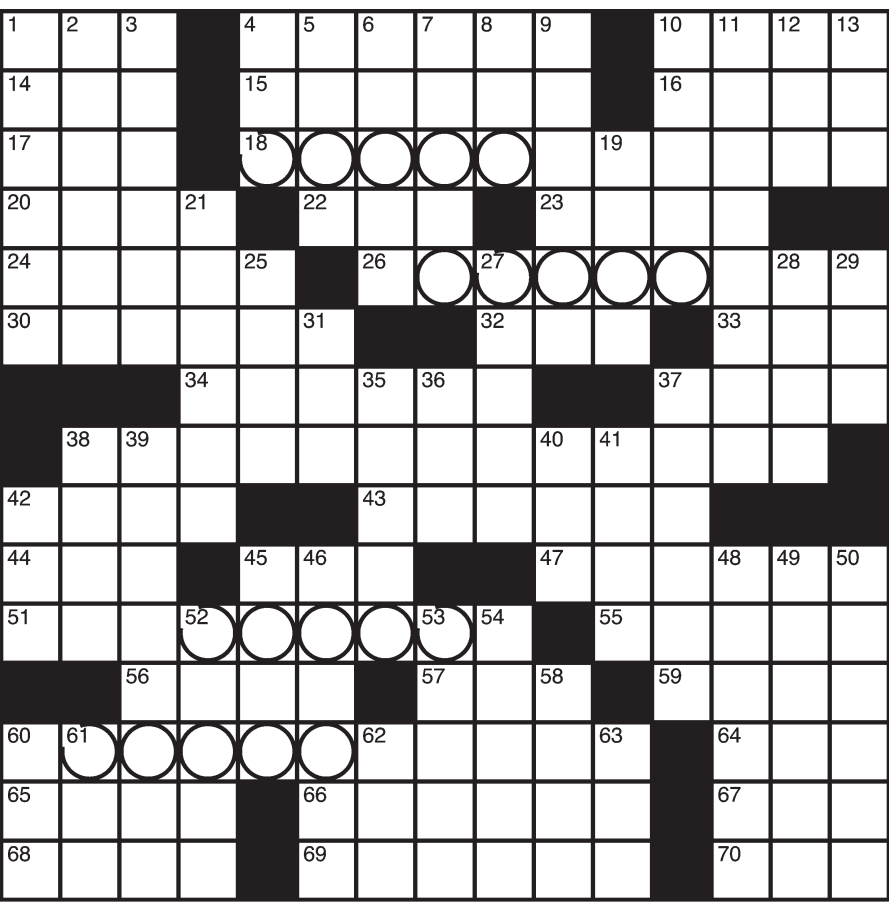
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Complete the grid so each row, column and 3-by-3 box (in bold borders) contains every digit, 1 to 9. For strategies on how to solve Sudoku, visit www.sudoku.org.uk

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PUZZLES

- ACROSS**
- 1 Civil ____
 - 4 Tropical fish with large peepers
 - 10 Add to the staff
 - 14 Jungle swinger
 - 15 Rapper whose professional name sounds like a candy
 - 16 Sport, for ports: Abbr.
 - 17 Kindled
 - 18 Churchgoer's "If it's meant to be"
 - 20 Explorer Ericson
 - 22 Kitchy-__
 - 23 Blame taker
 - 24 Curtain material
 - 26 Another name for the gladiolus
 - 30 Cable box display
 - 32 Dispensable candy
 - 33 High bond rating
 - 34 Geological epoch in which mammals arose
 - 37 Leave __: reward the waiter
 - 38 Post-Cold War hierarchy ... and what is literally contained in the circled squares
 - 42 Mortar carriers
 - 43 __ Fables
 - 44 Nonprofit URL ending
 - 45 Adherent's suffix
 - 47 Muscat residents
 - 51 Out-of-the-office assignment
 - 55 Point of view
 - 56 Peau de __: satin-weave cloth
 - 57 Wide shoe width
 - 59 In any way
 - 60 They're often passed on the road
 - 64 Holiday threshold
 - 65 Starting course
 - 66 Austrian capital
 - 67 " __ Misérables"
 - 68 Chris of "The Good Wife"
 - 69 First female Shuttle pilot __ Collins
 - 70 H.S. 12th-graders
- DOWN**
- 1 NYSE locale



By Lonnie Burton and Nadine Anderton

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- 2 Per unit
- 3 Head to bed
- 4 Brussels' land: Abbr.
- 5 "Don't worry about me"
- 6 Copter predecessors
- 7 Provide with funding
- 8 Evergreen that's a homophone of a vowel
- 9 Political refugee
- 10 Judaism : kosher :: Islam : __
- 11 Start
- 12 Took part in a marathon
- 13 Cake mix need
- 19 City southwest of Warsaw
- 21 Reporter's quintet of questions
- 25 Ask for Whiskas, perhaps
- 27 Opinion columns
- 28 Lion's den
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- 36 Marlins' MLB div.
- 37 Source of media revenue
- 38 "Me neither"

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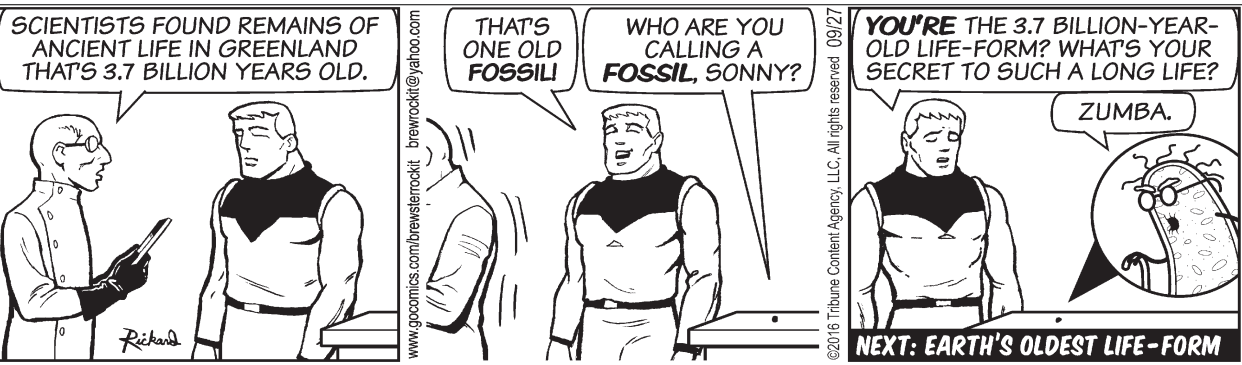
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- 40 Valentine card hugs
- 41 LP measures
- 42 Baseball inst. in Cooperstown
- 45 " __ it my way"
- 46 Turn sharply
- 48 Orange choices
- 49 "Well, __!": "What an outrage!"
- 50 Blood pressure elevator
- 52 Acid test outcome, possibly
- 53 Party hearty
- 54 Nancy Drew creator Carolyn
- 58 White-tailed coastal bird
- 60 Nine-digit ID
- 61 Lav, in Bath
- 62 Three on a sundial
- 63 __ Antonio

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Aries
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The truth is revealed, with Pluto direct today. Illusions and clouds of confusion dissipate. Research new professional ideas and opportunities. Mysteries finally resolve. You see the ladder rung clearly.

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Long-distance travel, communications and shipping flow with greater ease, now that Pluto is direct in Capricorn. It just got easier to take new territory. Save up and go.

Gemini
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Assets you've had hidden finally start to grow. Record keeping is

getting easier. Invest for long-term growth, especially now that Pluto is direct. It's easier to make money.

Cancer
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Grow long-term bonds and partnerships stronger, now that Pluto is direct. Suddenly, you understand each other better. New methods and equipment make your collaboration easier. Share the load.

Leo
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An aspect of work or health that was invisible to you comes into focus, with Pluto direct. You can see farther. Wisdom comes from near and far. Count your

blessings.

Virgo
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Now that Pluto is direct in your sign, initiatives from long ago seem newly possible. You can advance much quicker now that the road is clear. Revive a personal dream.

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Inquire into deep philosophical and spiritual questions, with Pluto direct. Complete old business. A dream returns to capture your thoughts. Make long-term plans and map your vision.

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Pirates look past loss in Blacksburg

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After suffering his first ever blowout loss at the hands of Virginia Tech, East Carolina head coach Scottie Montgomery is looking forward to returning home, when the Pirates face-off against the Knights of Central Florida inside Dowdy-Ficklen Stadium Saturday.

“This is a great test for us to start the [American Athletic Conference], but the best part about all of this is being able to start it in the AAC in Dowdy-Ficklen,” said Montgomery. “We needed to return home, it’s time for us to return home.”

Alluding to his recent loss, Montgomery felt his players could take away a few things from what the 3-1 Hokies were finding success in.

“[Virginia Tech] did feed off of [its] crowd momentum and I thought that [its] team enjoyed to play,” said Montgomery. “We used them as an example on how we played at times when we played at Dowdy-Ficklen we have to come back and be prepared to go at a high level.”

Though Virginia Tech was arguably the best opponent ECU will face this season, due



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James Summers runs the ball against the tough Hokie defense in the loss last Saturday against VT.

to size and athleticism, Montgomery’s biggest emphasis on the loss was pad level. Pad level is a big reason Montgomery credits the Hokies with dominating the trenches, especially on special teams.

ECU has been fortunate to have the upper-hand in the majority of its games when it came to the trenches, but like Montgomery said, fundamentals end up winning. Sprinkled with multiple errors on special-teams, and ECU proved to be out of the game early.

“We had a lot of mental errors on special

teams, the blocked field goal and the blocked punt goes back directly to what I said earlier, they played lower than us,” said Montgomery. “You’ll start to see a lot of our starters on special teams, we knew that we needed to get to this part of the year going through a tough non-conference schedule. We learned a lot about our team, and now it’s time to win the AAC and the way that we do that is put our best foot forward in every situation.”

After getting past an overtime loss against Maryland, UCF beat Florida International,

53-14 and unlike ECU will have the hot hand coming in.

Another devastating blow to the Pirates’ confidence is the potential loss of nose tackle Demetri McGill, who Montgomery calls one of his most productive players. He suffered an injury in the game that the team is still awaiting results for.

To compromise, defensive end Fred Presley will move inside, resulting in an ever-changing defensive line rotation for the fifth straight game.

Although ECU isn’t too high on momentum right now, the team will look to turn over a new slate as conference play starts, and Montgomery understands how last week’s loss can play into helping him prepare for this week’s conference opener.

“I don’t like to lose, but I’ll tell you what, disappointment sometimes can be the pathway to creativity and that is what we’re looking for right now,” Montgomery said. “We’re going to be as creative as we possibly can to give our kids the opportunity to go out and be 1-0 in the ACC.”

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TAKEAWAYS

FOOTBALL

ECU lost to Virginia Tech, 54-17 Saturday. The defeat was the Pirates’ first loss in their last three matchups with the Hokies.

WOMEN’S TENNIS

The Pirates had a strong showing in their first tournament of the fall season. They posted a 19-5 individual record and an 11-2 doubles record. Four players finished with a perfect 3-0 record for the day.

VOLLEYBALL

ECU lost consecutive conference matches to SMU and Tulsa over the weekend. After the Pirates started undefeated they are now 10-2, and 0-2 in conference play.

CROSS COUNTRY

The ECU women’s team took home first place at the ECU Pirate Invitational this weekend, with Grace Sullivan placing first. The men’s team recorded a second place finish.

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Cross country takes first place

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FOR THE EAST CAROLINIAN

The East Carolina women’s cross country team won the ECU Pirate Invitational with a perfect score over Norfolk State and Wake Tech Friday, with the men finishing second to Norfolk State.

Sophomore Grace Sullivan, the highest placing Pirate for the last two races, won the women’s 5K race with a time of 18:15.06, as her teammate, sophomore Victoria Cooke, took second with a time of 18:54.30.

The Pirates also took third through ninth place, giving the team a perfect cross country score of 15 — 35 points better than second place Norfolk State.

Felix Kiprotich of Norfolk State took first place in the

men’s race, running the 5K in 15:18.60. His teammate, Ronald Korir, took second place after finishing the course five seconds after Kiprotich.

Senior Jorge Montes, the highest finishing Pirate in the men’s race, came in third with a time of 15:29.76.

He was closely followed by sophomore Nick Ciaccia, who ran the course in 15:34.83, as the Pirates finished 10 points behind the Spartans.

“One of the things we were focusing on going into this meet was packing things up, closing the gap between our top five, top 10 runners,” ECU assistant coach Brie Berkowitz said. “We take each practice day-by-day and each practice I always tell them

‘Let’s focus, stay in the present, focus on today.’ If we focus on getting better each and every day, then that will bring us to our ultimate goals.”

The Pirates seem to enjoy running at Overton’s Lake Kristi in nearby Grimesland, North Carolina. The women’s team has won every ECU Pirate Invitational since 2009.

“It feels good to be able to have parents, teachers, and other student-athletes and students come out and watch you do the sport you love and you’ve been working hard for,” Sullivan said.

Sullivan, a Charlotte native, added that she briefly thought about going for her personal 5K record of 18:09.29, set at last year’s ECU Pirate Invitational,

but figured she’ll save it for another event.

Montes on the other hand, who holds the school record in the 5K at 14:58.19, set high goals for himself this year.

“I have been all-conference the last two conference championships, but now I’m trying to get in the top five, top six because I’m really close to that,” the Tijuana, Mexico native said. “I want more people to be all-conference with me. This year is the most athletic team ever in ECU’s history.”

The next meet for the men’s and women’s teams is the Paul Short Invitational, held at Lehigh University in Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, on Oct. 1.

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DEFEAT continued from A1

quarterback Philip Nelson continued to get hit, as massive amounts of pressure were brought on each play.

Also similar to last week’s game in South Carolina, ECU struggled in the red zone again. Saturday’s woes weren’t as bad as last week’s three turnovers, but the Pirates went 0-for-2 in the red zone. ECU’s only points scored came off long passes that the receiver took several yards to make their way into the end zone.

With Nelson getting beat up, ECU also potentially suffered a major loss on defense as Demetri McGill injured his ankle in the loss and didn’t return. McGill was seen on the sideline using crutches in a walking boot.

“We’ll find out a little more about (McGill) to come,” said Montgomery. “Tomorrow will be an interesting morning in just trying to figure out what we got going on, and what we came out with. That was a big boy game there.”

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Coach Scottie Montgomery looks down in defeat during ECU's loss in Blacksburg.

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