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The Speedway gas station north of Greene Street bridge is flooded Thursday following Hurricane Matthew.

## Pitt County deals with economic impact of hurricane

**Matthew Prensky**  
TEC STAFF

As residents around Pitt County begin to rebuild after Hurricane Matthew, experts believe the local economy should not feel any major effect from the storm.

One of the major centers for business in the area is Pitt-Greenville Airport. During Hurricane Matthew the airport did not see any major impact, but ahead of the threat of flooding they were forced to shut down. Much of the flood waters overtook the airport leaving some hangers around the airport with up to two feet of water, according to Gordon Rowell, general manager for the Pitt-Greenville Airport.

"We do not have the traffic that goes in and out of here as far as airlines go," Rowell said. "We take anywhere between 100-250 people a day in and out of here and obviously they have not been able to make that since last week."

Due to the airport shutdown,

flights into Pitt County were either cancelled or rerouted to other areas. The airport closure greatly affected both commercial and private business. Rowell said many airplanes housed at the airport belonged to local businesses and with the closures, he believed they would be negatively affected.

Airport officials prepared both aircraft and buildings for the flooding as best as they could. All aircrafts that could fly were relocated to other areas in order to keep them from getting damaged, according to Rowell. Another major effort for the airport staff was saving valuable documents from low areas.

Currently airport officials are bringing in contractors to inspect damaged hangers and clean off the runways. The airport hopes to reopen to the public Saturday.

"We are eager to get the airlines going again here," said Rowell.

As of now, Rowell could not esti-

mate the financial damage the airport has received from Hurricane Matthew. With many of the repairs yet to be accounted for, it was hard to predict the financial losses, he said.

Between the weather, curfews, evacuations and shutdowns, local businesses felt the pain of Hurricane Matthew. As East Carolina University shut down for fall break, many businesses saw even slower sales because of the treacherous conditions left in the wake of hurricane.

For Mike Horton, general manager for Chico's Mexican Restaurant, Hurricane Matthew impacted the bottom line over the last two weeks.

"When the city and county put out mandatory curfews we did abide by their rules and closed," said Horton. "We lost a lot of business those three days, but we were able to stay open during lunch time and early dinner."

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## Hurricane, flood make mark on local students

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East Carolina University students who stayed in Greenville this past week may have found themselves caught in the crossfire of Hurricane Matthew. But students who returned back home were not immune to the storm's destruction either.

Makenzie Sasnett, a freshman intended nursing major, lives outside of Kinston and went home for the break. Sasnett spent most of her Fall Break helping her family prepare for the flood at their house, which sits beside the water.

"The past week was really tough for me and my family," said Sasnett. "Last week started out with my family and I clearing out my dad's shop."

Sasnett's father has a shop built beside their house, which he uses for his own logging business as well as for personal use. It is built much lower to the ground than the house, so her family anticipated there would be a lot of damage. However, the flood also damaged part of their house and garage.

"We did have damage to my dad's shop, our garage and some parts of our house," Sasnett said. "The ductwork underneath because the it flooded completely under my house."

Sasnett said her family was luckily able to move most of their items, so they were not ruined. She said the flood made it almost impossible to get anywhere, since most of the roads had water damage.

"Nearly 50 percent of the roads in Kinston are either flooded or washed out," said Sasnett. "Just to even get to my grandparents house so that we could stay with them, we had to take many detours."

Even though the experience was not easy, Sasnett said she came out of the situation with a new perspective of family.

"When we had all our family and friends over trying to help move everything out of our house, it really helps you realize just how much you can appreciate those that are always there for you," said Sasnett.

Sasnett was not the only student who suffered because of the damage to Kinston. Sophomore social work major Emleigh Hughes saw first hand the consequences a hurricane this severe can have, as both her mother and father's income was affected by the flooding.

Hughes' mom owns a local tax business in Kinston, which was damaged during the flash flooding. Hughes said

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## Stilllife to host breast cancer awareness event

**Rebecca Sefter**  
TEC STAFF

Stilllife Nightclub customers have the opportunity to have a good time while supporting a good cause this evening, as it hosts the fifth annual "Candyland Breast Fest" in honor of Breast Cancer Awareness Month.

Continuing through the weekend, Stilllife will also be selling custom-made t-shirts for which 100 percent of the proceeds will go

to Breast Cancer Research. A portion of the cover charges collected will also be donated directly to the Breast Cancer Research Foundation.

Stilllife owner Travis Hixon said this event is something that he decided to do five years ago in an effort to give back to a charitable cause.

"We want to give back to the community and show that we're not into the business just

to sell alcohol," Hixon said. "It's not just a club, we like to be involved."

Last year's Breast Fest night raised over \$1,000 for the Breast Cancer Research Foundation. This year, Stilllife hopes to double last year's goal to raise \$2,000 with an expected attendance of 1,000 customers.

"Every year since we've started doing it, we've raised more and more money, and it's all donated to breast cancer research," General

Manager Cameron Renna said

The club will be covered in Candyland-themed decorations along with breast cancer awareness-themed decorations and favors, such as breast cancer wristbands and balloons. They will also be providing themed drinks.

"We deck out the club in all pink and

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BRIEFS

SGA to host tuition and fees forum

ECU’s Student Government Association will hold a tuition and fee forums on Monday from 12-1p.m. in the Mendenhall Student Center Social Rooms. The purpose of these meetings is to offer input and ask questions about proposed fee increases.

Early voting kicks off today

Early voting for the 2016 Presidential Election begins today and ends on Nov. 4. Locations are open Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. and on Saturday from 8:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Visit [pittcountync.gov](http://pittcountync.gov) for information on polling locations and materials needed for voting.

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# Students aid in disaster relief

Cayla Rodney

FOR THE EAST CAROLINIAN

From sports teams, fraternities and sororities, to clubs and organizations, East Carolina University students are coming together to provide relief as Greenville recovers from aftermath of Hurricane Matthew.

Just three days after the storm hit, student-athletes from seven of ECU’s athletic teams headed to areas of need. Cypress Glen, a retirement home located on Hickory Street, faced threats of major flooding as the Tar River began to rise.

“Just in the hour or so we were there we could watch the water rising,” said Student-Athlete

Advisory Committee Vice President Pol Sollanes, an ECU track runner. “It meant a lot to be able to help and see its effect.”

As the water continued to flood the area, student-athletes rushed to create sandbag barriers around the retirement. Later that week when the water began to recede, the student-athletes returned to Cypress Glen to begin repairs and move residents back into their rooms.

Furthering relief efforts, many of ECU’s fraternities and sororities continue to collect clothes, blankets, and food for North Carolinians displaced by the hurricane. The president of Beta Theta Phi, Chris

Turpin, had his fraternity organize a virtual food drive through the Food Bank of Central and eastern North Carolina to raise \$2,000. In addition they have set up 12 donation boxes in various downtown businesses and restaurants. The fraternity also plans to volunteer with Habitat for Humanity.

“We have had a lot of our brothers personally affected... and a lot of people in the community are suffering from the same thing,” said Turpin. “We want to show our gratitude to them [Greenville community].”

Spanning beyond the Greenville community, ECU’s Habitat for Humanity chapter is putting efforts into raising money for victims of the

hurricane in Haiti. With hundreds dead and thousands of homes ruined, Haiti will be facing a major battle in terms of recovery. ECU’s Habitat for Humanity is hoping to alleviate some of that pain.

“This is a great organization. I can reach the community and even further,” said Candice Cudjoe, a member of the club. Cudjoe added helping in the community means a lot to her and she is proud to be a part of the organization.

Whether the victims are oceans away or just down the road, ECU students have made relief work from Hurricane Matthew a priority.

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Chico’s did see many slow business days while the university and city were closed due to the flooding. Although, after the flood waters receded and students with the university began to move back to Greenville, Horton said his restaurant did see a jump in business.

“I do not believe [Hurricane Matthew] will be a major disruption to the Pitt County economy,” said Nicholas Rupp, professor in the department of economics at East Carolina University. “The Pitt County economy thrives on East Carolina University which is still operating, it thrives on Vidant Medical Center which is still open for business and so those two employers are still operating and up-and-running.”

With many individuals returning to work, the county economy should not feel a major effect due to the hurricane. Rupp said the loss of business seen during the hurricane then subsequent flooding was inconvenient, but should not factor into the greater regional economy.

A major concern for local and state officials in the aftermath of Hurricane Matthew was the potential for price

gouging. As of Saturday, the state of North Carolina had received 150 price gouging complaints, according to North Carolina Attorney General Roy Cooper.

“When you have a limited number of goods and after a natural disaster and you have a large number of people who want those goods,” said Rupp. “In economics we would indicate that there is an increase in demands and potentially a lower supply so the natural mechanism to allocate these scarce goods is to raise the price.”

The state of North Carolina protects consumers during times of disaster from price gouging. The anti-price gouging law prevents businesses in the state from raising prices on goods in order to take advantage of consumers.

In some cases, however, the need to raise prices may reflect market conditions, according to Rupp. For a hardware store selling power generators after a hurricane, raising the price on the item may help the business ship more products into the affected areas, according to Rupp.

“On the flip side with the price gouging law, you are more likely to have the same price, but more likely to run out of the item,” he said.

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most of her mom’s employees could not get to work as well setting her behind.

“When you own a local business it is different than if you are with a corporation that can replace it for you,” said Hughes.

Hughes’ mom had to move to a new office because the building had extensive water damage.

Hughes said she helped her mom clear out most of her files and paperwork before they were damaged but there were many personal items her and her mom could not save in the end, including childhood books, old yearbooks and photos.

Hughes’ dad is a truck driver and could not make deliveries or replace the load he lost to the flood. Since he makes his money on commission, it was a big loss for him financially.

Hughes’ power was out for a week due to the storm, and she had to stay at a friend’s house for the majority of the time. For her, this was nothing compared to the flooding at her mom’s office and what other people were facing.

“Once we realized that the office was flooded, losing power was really irrelevant,” said Hughes. “Going home to a bed that was dry meant more than anything else...seeing everything flooding put into perspective that some people aren’t going to go home to a bed.”

For Hughes this was an experience she will never forget, but she believes it made her town stronger.

“For Kinston, at least, it was nice to see people coming together, and it brought a lot of people to our town,” said Hughes.

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## IN RESPONSE TO THE BAND PROTEST

### A Petition of Concerned Faculty at East Carolina University

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We the undersigned East Carolina University faculty hereby affirm and express our support for ECU students to engage freely in all activities consistent with the exercise of their U.S. Constitutional Rights and the institutional values of intellectual freedom, respect for diversity and thoughtful and responsible action set forth in the East Carolina University Creed. These rights include expressions of peaceful protest and assembly, civil and constructive dialogues and other methods of intellectual department commensurate with the imperatives of an academic community such as ECU.

We the undersigned faculty concur with the ideas articulated by Chancellor Cecil Staton in response to the kneeling of members of the ECU Marching Band during the National Anthem at a football game. In his initial statement Chancellor Staton set forth for us all a position that should become the essential order of the day for a productive work and learning environment. His message acknowledged that East Carolina University is an institution that is committed to the core principles of free intellectual inquiry, diversity of thought and engagement, the promotion of civil discourse and the protection of constitutional rights. Collectively, these qualities must serve as the vital fuel to propel our students’ incessant quest to create for themselves and future generations a better and more inclusive world than that of our own.

We the undersigned believe that one of the goals of a liberal arts education is to prepare students to interrogate the social order, articulate informed positions and engage perspectives that differ from their own. As a part of upholding the institutional values highlighted by Chancellor Staton, and in recognition of a tradition of student activism that has oftentimes been responsive to and reflective of broader social, cultural and political issues, we urge the administrative leadership of the University to reject any position or action that would infringe upon the rights of students to freely and peacefully express their ideas, demands for change, protests against injustice and or dissenting opinions of any kind.

Finally, we the undersigned conclude that our students should be encouraged to learn and express themselves without fear of any real or imagined administrative machinations; that they should be provided the necessary protections inherent in safe environments; and that they should never be forced to feel that their methods of free inquiry, protest, and self-expression can be easily throttled or shut down. Thus, we encourage the administrative leadership to take an unequivocal stand against any efforts designed to diminish the voice of students as they express their understanding of the world that they live in or their vision for social change.

### Signed,

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PIRATE RANTS

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These people are so hateful and literally Nazis. "LET'S FIRE BOMB THEM BECAUSE WE'RE NO BETTER."

People in the past had different moral attitudes than ours today. And our descendants aren't going to hold our views. Stop viewing the past through your biases.

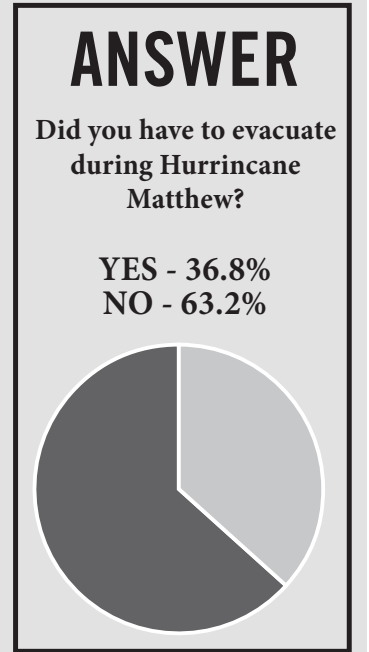
If people could understand newspapers before criticizing them that would be awesome. Y'all sound ignorant as hell. They didn't disagree with the band protest they got more public opinion on that side. That's it. Write something other than a pirate rant and you too can have your voice heard. Stop screaming bias when there is none.

Hey, BLM did you know in 2015 50 percent of people killed by police were white, and 26 percent were black? Maybe if everyone would stop threatening the police they wouldn't get killed. #CopsLivesMatter

How can (mostly) white people be outraged by someone taking a knee, but when an innocent black life is taken by the police..silence

How can people honestly say the Confederate Flag is culture when they don't even know anything about the flag? I find it humorous to see people flying the Confederate battle flag (which means separation from the North) along with the US flag. How about you Confederate Flag lovers fly the actual Confederate Flag not the battle flag. There are two different flags with two different meanings.

Questions regarding Pirate Rants can be directed to Seth Gullledge at [opinion@theeastcarolinian.com](mailto:opinion@theeastcarolinian.com).



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Our view

Practice the right to vote this election

“Go Vote,” is a simple expression that has haunted us since this election began. As sick of hearing those two words as you may be, it is crucial to listen to them.

According to the Center for Information and Research on Civic Learning and Engagement, only 19 percent of 18 to 29 year olds cast ballots in the 2014 election. That was the lowest youth turnout rate ever recorded.

We as an editorial staff encourage you to vote. We are facing a tough election. Many people feel as if they do not want either presidential candidate taking office, so they decide not to vote at all.

However, abstaining from the ballot isn’t going to make these candidates go away. Refusing to vote only eliminates your voice. Come Jan. 20, 2017 either Hillary Clinton or Donald Trump will be taking office, whether you like it or not.

But it’s not too late to make a difference. The time has come to get serious. The time has come to spend the time researching what each candidate claims to bring to office. The time has come to watch the debates for the content, not for the humor. This election will directly impact OUR future. So educate yourself, make a decision and go vote.

Learning a lesson from Matthew



Matthew Prensky  
TEC STAFF

After the last two weeks where eastern North Carolina saw both a hurricane and historic flooding, one important question still needs to be addressed. Were we actually prepared?

While every city and county government across eastern North Carolina turned to emergency managers to warn residents and protect the community, much of the destruction could have been avoided if people changed their lifestyles after Hurricane Floyd.

After the 1999 historic flood, people should have learned that water will always win and that it must be respected. Maybe some learned that lesson, but for the homes both north and south of the Tar River that received several feet of water, obviously that lesson did not reach them in time.

Many areas experienced record flooding in 1999 as a result of Hurricane Floyd. The flooding from Hurricane Matthew this year did not eclipse the record, but came very close. Many of the areas that flooded in Hurricane Floyd were inundated with flood water yet again in 2016. Some of the same residents who had to leave only to return to a home destroyed by the power of water in 1999 faced that same horror in 2016.

“This may be kind of a sign of things to come. There is just going to be an even greater chance of having these major events as we go into the future,” said Scott Curtis, atmospheric

science professor in the Department of Geography, Planning and Environment for East Carolina University.

Whether climate change is a real phenomenon or not is irrelevant. The two major flooding events in the last 20 years should be the only proof people in eastern North Carolina need to learn to respect the water. While it may be beautiful to buy or build a home near a river, the consequences of flooding seem to be forgotten.

If these storm systems continue to push through North Carolina, this region should make changes now in order to prevent both the potential loss of life and property damage that can occur with river flooding.

Municipalities should work with developers and engineers to make sure the houses built near bodies of water are safe in the event of a flood. If schools run fire drills to make sure students are ready for a potential fire, why as homeowners do we not take precautions to protect our homes. A fire in a school may never happen just as a flood in eastern North Carolina may never happen again. Although for a low-lying area with dozens of major waterways like eastern North Carolina, it is probably better to be prepared than not.

Three important lessons should be taken away from Hurricane Matthew. First, developers need to account for flooding when they build homes near the Tar River. If they build a home and sell it to a family, the least they can do is build it on higher ground to protect the structure from water.

Second, municipalities should be prepared

when flooding occurs. For instance, Town Commons. It is a beautiful area of Greenville, but for several days residents could walk right up to the swift moving flood water. Curiosity may not be a bad behavior, but remember it did kill the cat so it probably is not always the best decision.

Thirdly, municipalities need to make sure residents understand the danger of flooding. Between pulling individuals out of trapped vehicles on flooded roads or plucking overly curious people from the cresting river, first responders spent the last two weeks dealing with too many who underestimated the power of water. The job of convincing those individuals that water will always win falls on local officials. While North Carolina has a starkly grim campaign against driving through flooded roads, “Turn Around Don't Drown,” to some the message is not received. Whether that is because of ignorance or just not hearing the message it is an answer municipalities should investigate themselves.

No one can predict the future. Another major flooding event like Hurricane Matthew or Hurricane Floyd may happen next month or in the next decade, but nonetheless it never hurts to be over prepared. If a resident who lived near the Tar River had the choice of not making any changes or putting their home on stilts, I would hope they have learned something over the last 20 years.

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Rethinking philanthropy on campus



Will Zahran  
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You have likely walked through Wright Plaza on your way across campus only to be harassed by clubs and organizations selling \$1 baked goods. Maybe you have been invited to a “percentage night” at a local chain restaurant like sweetFrog, where 10 percent of your \$3 frozen yogurt is donated to charity. Based on my experiences, the majority of people contributing to a percentage night are just members of the hosting club, who could have donated the full \$3 to their nonprofit of choice.

Unfortunately, I have to plead guilty to membership in organizations that have hosted these percentage nights and sidewalk sales. However, it seems like hours of time go

into these efforts that raise measly amounts of money for our chosen organizations.

Fundraising is incredibly hard, and the challenges are exacerbated on a college campus. It takes a group of committed people, a worthy cause and an effective method to successfully raise money. Few people will readily give to an obscure cause for nothing in return, and even fewer people are able to spend their undergraduate careers as philanthropists. It makes no sense for broke college students to be attempting to raise money from other broke college students.

So is philanthropy on a college campus pointless? Maybe. The idea of giving what you can is great; many local nonprofits are appreciative of any small gifts. But it is almost a waste for student groups to be partnering with organizations only asking for monetary donations. I think it's worth considering other

ways we can contribute to worthy causes.

For example, an executive board I served on this past year easily put in 100 collective hours planning a fundraiser last spring. We barely raised enough to cover our costs, and I can't help thinking that a local nonprofit would prefer 100 hours of volunteer service over a few hundred dollars. Instead of painstakingly extracting a few dollars from each member and begging for attendance, maybe our efforts should be refocused on encouraging more volunteering in the community.

ECU student leaders need to start thinking outside of the box for their charity work. There are tons of nonprofits in Greenville and neighboring towns that are underserved, but we have to get away from the idea that we can only benefit these organizations with monetary donations.

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TEC'sports

The East Carolinian Sports experts predict this weekend's football game

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Record - 4-2
Closest Score - 1
Who wins? ECU 24-17
Why? An unexpected bye week will really benefit the Pirates as they get healthy and will be looking to get back on track.

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Record - 3-3
Closest Score - 1
Who wins? ECU 27-14
Why? A finally healthy ECU team will be able to take its losing streak aggressions out on a Cincy offense that can't find its groove.

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Record - 5-1
Closest Score - 3
Who wins? ECU 35-24
Why? Neither team has looked good this season. The Pirates have finally hit the soft part of their schedule and cannot fumble this opportunity. ECU steps up.

TAKEAWAYS

FOOTBALL
The Pirates (2-4, 0-2) will look to end their four game losing streak Saturday, as they are set to clash with Cincinnati (3-3, 0-3 AAC) at 7 p.m.

SOCCER
The Pirates (4-9-1,0-4-1 AAC) will embark on their final road trip of the season, as they travel to South Florida to play the Bulls at 7 p.m. tonight.

MEN'S GOLF
ECU finished fourth in the Elon Phoenix Invitational Tuesday. The Pirates have finished in the top five of their final four fall events this season.

WOMEN'S GOLF
East Carolina claimed fifth place in the Greenville Regional Preview at the local Brook Valley Country Club.

SWIMMING & DIVING
ECU freshman swimmer Grega Popovic was named the American Athletic Conference Male Swimmer-of-the-Week Tuesday.

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ECU wide receiver Zay Jones leaps and catches a pass over the middle against Central Florida.

ECU to battle Cincy

Gerin Honeycutt
TEC STAFF
A rested East Carolina football team looks to gain confidence and its first conference win, as it heads to Cincinnati in hopes of spoiling the Bearcats' homecoming Saturday night.
"Our whole team, now, is probably as healthy as it's been since we went into training camp," said ECU head coach Scottie Montgomery in his weekly press conference Monday.
At 2-4, the Pirates can still finish bowl eligible. Getting back starters Philip Nelson, Demetri McGill and Corey Seargent couldn't have come at a better time.
Nelson will also try to play his first full game since going out in each of the last two games with similar injuries. The Pirates got some semblance of a boost from sophomore backup Gardner Minshew off the bench against South Florida two weeks ago. But for now, all of Montgomery's faith is in Nelson as the sure starter.
McGill and Seargent, both anchors to the defensive unit, have been injured for the past three weeks. McGill will bring production to an ECU pass rush that has only recorded one sack this season.
"We have Randall Anderson back, he's healthy and back being able to rush the passer and [gives us] some more speed," said Montgomery. "Demetri can come back into the center and now we can put those guys back out on the edge a little more and create a better package for rush."
On the other side, Cincinnati has 14 sacks this season. It's not an unbelievable amount, but the pressure has forced opposing quarterbacks into bad decision making, considering the Bearcat's 12 interceptions on the season, third amongst FBS teams in that category. With 14 turnovers, Cincy also ranks ninth in the nation in giveaways.

The Bearcats secondary against the Pirates receiving core and Zay Jones will be the key match-up on the day.
"Defensively, what you see is a team with double digits in interceptions and double digits in sacks, which give them a chance in any season to play well," said Montgomery. "Another thing that I think they've done a good job is not just their interceptions, but also they're aggressively trying to take the ball away by swiping and punching either from the back of the offensive player or just all over the field holding guys up and getting the ball out. They've done a good job defensively trying to get the ball away."
On offense, the Bearcats have been fighting the turnover bug much like the Pirates. Cincinnati depends on its struggling running attack, and a passing game that relies on the run to open it up. The Bearcats are only averaging 23 points per game this season.
"The issues that they've had are the same issues that we've had," Montgomery said. "They've also had turnovers that hurt them at crucial times of the game."
It's not out of perspective to see a possible low-scoring game this weekend, however in the past 20 games ECU has scored under 20 points, the Pirates have lost. It's vital ECU gets its aerial attack and new starting running back James Summers going.
Coming into this game, the Bearcats are 0-3 and the Pirates are 0-2 in the AAC. Not only is each team looking to start it's steep climb to a bowl berth, but pride is on the line now too, as the Bearcats knocked the Pirates out of bowl contention last year. ECU has also lost the last five matchups to Cincinnati, even though the Pirates hold the all-time lead 12-7, the Pirates have lost the seven of the last 12.

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Saturday a must-win for Pirates

Adam Decker
TEC STAFF

Halfway through the 2016 season, East Carolina has already approached a potentially



Adam Decker
that has produced top FBS bowl appearances and a plethora of National Football League talent, but just like every other program has, it is experiencing a rough patch this season.

Despite Cincinnati (3-3,0-3 AAC) having a better record than the Pirates (2-4,0-2 AAC), the Bearcats sit in last place of the American East Division. That's not saying much though, as both teams come into the matchup winless in the AAC. Not to mention the fact ECU hasn't won a football game in over five weeks.

From a morale standpoint, from a confidence standpoint and from a statistical standpoint, ECU cannot lose Saturday, on the road and in primetime, and realistically think its postseason hopes are still alive.

To be eligible for a bowl appearance, the Pirates have to finish their season at 6-6 or better. And with the rescheduled matchup with Navy still looming in a month, ECU needs to get it in gear and put together a winning streak.

Cincinnati poses a serious threat, as the Pirates have dropped their last five contests against the Bearcats, showing Cincinnati's recent college football trajectory. Since the beginning of the AAC, the Bearcats have earned a 17-7 AAC record, including a 7-1 conference mark in 2014, showing the surprise in its 0-3 start this season.

Playing on the road always seems to be tough for ECU as well, as it is yet to notch a victory away from Dowdy-Ficklen Stadium this season.

Good news for the Pirates is that Hurricane Matthew — while terrible for the state — rewarded them with an unexpected bye week, allowing the team to rest. Had the matchup against Navy not been postponed, ECU would have turned in a hobbled Zay Jones and most likely would have been without starting quarterback Philip Nelson, cornerback Corey Seargent and run-stopping anchor Demetri McGill.

The absence of Nelson, Seargent and McGill would have been unbelievably crucial, as the three are arguably three of the most impactful players for the Pirates.

This is why ECU needs to capitalize. Had Hurricane Matthew not overtaken Greenville, the Pirates would be extremely banged up, spiraling out of control, sitting at three games below .500.

The bye week gave ECU a second chance of sorts on its season, as the Pirates are healthy and have had a longer time to prepare.

Although ECU has seemed doomed for quite some time now, it's not too late.

A win Saturday can potentially get the Pirates in a groove and help turn their season around. The next four games come against teams in the bottom of the AAC, none of which the Pirates can't beat.

Saturday is the telling test of what the final verdict of ECU's season will be. A win, and the Pirates could get back on track to maybe reach the postseason. A loss, and ECU is sitting in the same seat it was last season — disappointment.

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Swim & dive excited about season

Dylan Johnson
FOR THE EAST CAROLINIAN

East Carolina's men's and women's swimming and diving teams are optimistic and excited to continue their recent success within the American Athletic Conference.
The women's team is poised to take another step further in the AAC, with both the team and head coach Rick Kobe confident that this year's teams have the ability to finish very strong.
"The girls look as strong as ever," said Kobe. "And It was just a few years ago that they actually went undefeated."
The women's team will be led by senior freestyle swimmer Marion Abert, junior backstroke and butterfly swimmer Julie Lajoie and junior breaststroke swimmer Vendela Norrman.
The men's team on the other hand, looks to solidify its stronghold on the conference by capturing its third consecutive AAC championship.

As if the confidence from having two straight conference championships wasn't enough, senior breaststroke swimmer Will Hicks also feels that this team could be better and could even be one of the best ever assembled at ECU.
Leaders amongst the men include senior breaststroke and freestyle swimmer Erle Craven, Hicks and freshman freestyle swimmer Grega Popovic. Popovic has emerged greatly, winning the AAC swimmer of the week last week.
Both Pirate teams have started their season already, having their Purple-Gold intrasquad meet September 30 and their first dual meet against Navy over the weekend. Both teams lost against the Naval Academy, and were out-touched in nine races by less than 1/10 of a second.

The Pirates will be on the road the rest of the semester facing a very difficult schedule, highlighted by a meet at South Carolina on January 27 and 28.
Kobe said his team will get faster as the season progresses and is hopefully swimming its best, late in the season before conference championships.
"The ultimate goal is to perform very well at conference championship," said Kobe. "Because then if you swim and dive as well as you can, then whatever place you get, you get. And if you've got the talent, then usually that's first place."
ECU's next match is Saturday at 1 p.m. as it hosts Catawba and Campbell and a diving match against Clemson and UNC-Wilmington.

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**Oct. 21** ..... **SAB Rocky Horror Picture Show  
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Student Recreation Center  
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# Young Dolph set to perform in Greenville this weekend

Arvanna Smart  
TEC STAFF

After successful performances in Greensboro and Charlotte, trap rapper Young Dolph will be bringing his talent to Greenville Saturday.

Young Dolph, who was born on the Southside of Chicago and raised in south Memphis, rose to stardom after becoming one of the only independent musicians to have multiple Top 20 and Top 40 records with tracks like, "Preach," "California," "Make the World Go Around" and "Pulled Up."

Young Dolph's latest known hits are "Get Paid" and "F\*\*k It," which are both off of his most recent album "King of Memphis."

"We chose him because of the nature of his stardom. We saw he did good in Greensboro and Charlotte, so we thought why not try him here in Greenville," said Brentley Richardson, Chief Executive Officer of Triple R, one of the head organizers. "This is something we would want to keep up this trend here in Greenville and surrounding areas."

With Greenville still dealing



Young Dolph raises his arms during a performance. The rapper is scheduled to perform in Greenville this weekend.

with the aftermath of Hurricane Matthew, Richardson also plans to use this event as a way to help benefit those affected.

"Some of the proceeds will be going to the hurricane victims and to a local charitable organization," Richardson said.

To help make the concert possible, Richardson also teamed up with East Carolina University alumnus and CEO of Lotus Entertainment on Demand Kristopher Montford-Brown.

Through Lotus Entertainment, Montford-Brown has helped to promote and bring many events to life in Greenville.

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# Bringing Narnia to life

## 'The Lion, The Witch and The Wardrobe' to open Friday

Amanda Shea  
FOR THE EAST CAROLINIAN

East Carolina University's Storybook Theatre is pulling a childhood favorite from the pages of a book and bringing it to life.

"The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe" is set to take the stage in Wright

Auditorium this Friday.

The play, based on the book by C.S. Lewis, follows the Pevensie children, who discover a magical wardrobe that leads them to another world: Narnia. The creatures living in Narnia need the Pevensie children's help to over-

come their evil ruler, the White Witch, who makes winter last year round.

Nick Lease, a junior double concentrating in professional acting and theatre for youth, is breathing life into Mr. Tumnus, who is the first to befriend Lucy Pevensie when she

arrives in Narnia.

However, this isn't Lease's first role. He's tackled parts in a wide variety of plays and musicals, from high school to ECU.

"I have been acting, probably since fifth grade. I really got into the gut of acting in high

school," he said.

Lease has played characters such as Jim Hawkins in Treasure Island at ECU and Wilbur Turnblad in Hairspray in high school.

Among each of these

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Chance The Rapper performs at Fader Fort. A student recently began a petition to get the rapper to perform at this year's Barefoot on The Mall.

# Student begins petition to bring Chance The Rapper to Barefoot

Andi Li  
FOR THE EAST CAROLINIAN

Rallying together in hopes of creating a more memorable Barefoot On The Mall this spring, students have started a petition to bring Chance The Rapper to East Carolina University's campus.

Barefoot On The Mall, which is held every spring, showcases musical artists, while also serving as an organizational fair featuring inflatables, games and food for students.

The petition's creator, Kirstie Raimo, said that an appearance by Chance could truly make this year's concert special.

"In the past, many students have been disappointed by the selection of artist for various reasons such as unknown songs and cancellations," Raimo said. "This year we would like to unify the student body at Barefoot through the performance by Chance the Rapper."

Chance's mixtape "Coloring Book" was released in May to critical acclaim. The album peaked at No. 8 on the U.S. Billboard 200.

Chance also gained attention on social media for his joyful interaction with Beyoncé at the 2016 Video Music Awards. He is also well known for his activism against racial injustice and gun violence, through his work with My Brother's Keeper and #May23.

Last year, Barefoot was slated to host Charlie Puth, a singer-songwriter who gained initial fame off of YouTube. But, just a few days before his performance, he cancelled citing illness.

The festival still hosted several local bands, including Eastern Comfort, which performed original music along with country and rock covers.

"Last year the headliner cancelled," Raimo said. "And the year before that was an artist who I only knew one song by, and it was the same song you would hear on the radio 15 times a day."

Many students feel that Chance The Rapper more accurately reflects ECU's student body.

"His music can be found on almost every college student's playlist, and even

if you don't know who he is, his music is still catchy and has great beats to listen to," Raimo said. "He would be good for ECU because of the energy he brings to the stage, and because there is such a large volume of students that listen to him here."

Among the petition signer's, ECU alumnus Blake Monger said he also feels Chance would help to bring together the university.

"His unique genre resonates well with ECU because here in Pirate Nation we pride ourselves on diversity," Monger said. "Chance The Rapper could be the artist that brings together many Pirates who are all different but share one common interest."

Alexa Pantazonis, a biology sophomore, specifically mentioned Chance's themes of happiness and self-expression as unifying for ECU students.

"I feel like just the positivity in it,"

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# Pulitzer winning poet set to visit Museum of Art

Allexis Walters  
FOR THE EAST CAROLINIAN

Poet, professor and Pulitzer Prize winner Stephen Dunn is a man of many accomplishments.

The award-winning poet has travelled to many colleges and universities and is scheduled to make a stop in Greenville Saturday at Greenville's Museum of Art for a poetry reading event.

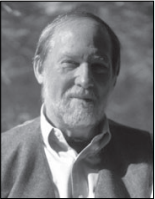
Along with Greenville's Museum of Art, East Carolina University's great books program and director Helena Feder were instrumental in planning the event and making it happen.

"We're lucky he was already coming to North Carolina," Feder said. "I heard from a friend that he was visiting and I saw an opportunity."

Dunn, who has written 15 collections of poetry, won the Pulitzer Prize for Poetry for his 2001 collection "Different Hours."

As a fan of Dunn's work herself, Feder said some of her favorite poems come from his collection "Lines of Defense," citing "In Love, His Grammar Grew," "If The Poet," and "Sea Level" as some of her favorites.

"Good poetry can change your life," Feder said.



Stephen Dunn

Even for those that aren't typically interested in poetry, Feder still encourages students and locals to come and see what Dunn has to offer.

"His work is accessible," Feder said. "People who don't often read poetry can pick up his work and understand it"

Food and wine will also be available for those who are of age at the event.

"Swing by and give it a shot," Feder said. "If you find that poetry isn't for you, you'll still have time to go out for drinks later."

The free poetry-reading is set to begin at 5 p.m. Saturday. Following the reading, Dunn will be available to answer questions and sign books.

"People can expect their lives to be enriched with lyrical beauty and insight into what it means to be human," Feder said.

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Patrons dance at Stilllife. The club will host a 'Candyland' themed breast cancer awareness event tonight.

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candy and we turned it into the child board game Candyland,” Hixon said. “We have decorations all in the club and candy for the customers.”

After becoming the owner of Stilllife in 2011, Hixon made an effort to increase community involvement and support charitable causes.

This March, the club will host the second annual “Light

it Up Blue” event in which proceeds will support autism. It also plans on hosting a play-day for autistic children during the month of March.

“We’re going to contact a few centers in town that have autistic children and we’re going to invite them down during the day,” Hixon said. “We’re going to [open] the club for them almost as a play area and invite all the staff down to play with them.”

Hixon aims to continue to support the community through various events and causes.

“I just want more of a positive impact on the community, on this area,” Hixon said. “For some reason, the entertainment district can be frowned about, but just know that we are doing good things down here and we are trying to make a difference in any way we can.”

Stilllife is located at 511 Cotanche St. and doors open at 10 p.m. for tonight’s event.

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“We want this to be more of a personal feel. We actually have V.I.P tables and things so you can stand up and sit down,” Montford-Brown said. “The show is from 10 p.m. to 2 a.m. so that it can be like a party feel as well.”

Young Dolph’s performance will also be accompanied by various local artists.

Montford-Brown said he hopes that the concert will also help to prepare people for next week’s homecoming events.

“I feel like if you plan on going to

[homecoming] then I feel like a lot of people will come to this,” Montford-Brown said.

The concert will be held this Saturday at the National Guard Army Building, located at 1401 N Memorial Drive and is set to begin at 10 p.m.

Tickets are on sale for \$30 on Eventbrite. Tickets can also be bought in person from Montford-Brown.

“I think it will be a fun time,” Richardson said. “I think it will be good for Greenville.”

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Pantazonis said. “You know, nowadays, a lot of music is very negative and it’s just bad connotations connected to rap music. It’s also just the word he’s spread, positivity and trying to be an individual in your own self.”

Pantazonis went to Barefoot last year and was also disappointed with the lack of diversity in music.

“It was just all of the side acts,” Pantazonis said. “I mean, they were kind of fun, but the excitement you would’ve gotten from seeing someone really well known was kind of diminished.”

The petition currently has 310 signatures out of the 500 needed and is available online at [www.change.org](http://www.change.org) by the title “Chance The Rapper at Barefoot on the Mall at ECU.”

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roles, he says that the hardest to tackle has been a one-act play he starred in his junior year of high school that went on to a competition called SCTC.

“It was really emotional,” he said. “There were only two people in the show and it was just us the whole time.”

Going into rehearsal for “The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe,” Lease said his inspiration is drawn from the movie, Narnia, as well as a few other things.

“I actually looked up different Irish accents and people who are actually Irish,” Lease said. “I’m also kind of basing him off of a leprechaun...[Mr. Tumnus] is kind of crazy, he’s really skiddish and wild.”

In addition to portraying Mr. Tumnus in the play, Lease has designed the set that will appear on stage. The set will help immerse the audience into the world of Narnia, but Lease



Nick Lease

said they shouldn’t expect to see something too similar to the movie.

“The characters are all a little more over the top and animated because it’s a children’s show,” Lease said. “It’s [also] much more fast paced because we’re under a time crunch. We’re not supposed to go over an hour.”

“The Lion, The Witch, and the Wardrobe” opens Friday with a morning performance at 10 a.m. and an evening performance beginning at 7 p.m.

“We are actually pretty much sold out for the morning performance, and the evening performance at seven...I heard there are about 30 tickets left,” Lease said.

The remaining tickets are available for purchase online at [ecu.edu/familyfare](http://ecu.edu/familyfare) beginning at \$8 for youth and \$11 for adults.

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