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Residents of and visitors to the City of Greenville could be affected by increased fees such as \$1.75 per hour for on-street parking.

## Parking affects locals

### Proposed changes could impact Uptown life

Elizabeth Johnson  
TEC STAFF

Proposed parking changes relevant to Uptown Greenville have the potential to impact the number of visitors and residents regularly utilizing the free parking areas as the cost of fees, fines and citations could rise.

Restaurants in the Uptown area offer trivia, comedy and open mic night, Interim Executive Director of Uptown Greenville Meredith Hawke said. The First Friday Artwalk runs September to August and is the first Friday of every month, she said.



Meredith Hawke

The First Friday Art Walk is an event series in Uptown when there are new art exhibits, restaurants open their doors for the event allows residents to experience the culture and cuisine of Uptown Greenville, according to Hawke.

"There's many options to choose from (in Uptown Greenville), it's kind of like a menu. Where you

pick an appetizer, you pick an entre, you pick a dessert. There's a lot of options to choose from events at restaurants or nightlife or out in the public sphere," Hawke said.

City of Greenville Parking Supervisor Jimmie Tyrrell said there is parking at Five Points Plaza, along Cotanche Street and at Chico's which currently provides two-hour parking. Due to the Town Creek Culvert Construction, parking on Reade Circle is currently not available but parking is available in the Hodges lot, behind Stillife and Backdoor Skateshop.

Reade Street parking is available until 1 a.m. There is no parking on Reade Street between 1 a.m. and 8 a.m., which is considered a tow-away zone to allow ride-sharing services to pick people up until proposed parking lanes are installed.

Parking is free all night after 6 p.m. Uptown in timed lots such as Five Points Plaza. On Reade Street, by Sup Dogs, parking is free from 6 p.m. until 1 a.m., and during this time frame cars will be towed in order to move people out of the area.

"We try to keep the pedestrian

traffic from jaywalking in front of the cars, we don't want them to get hurt. We want to keep our traffic coming back, the weekend after next," Tyrrell said.

Parking tickets start at five dollars and after each offense can raise to \$20 if the car is not moved. Parking enforcement officers use handheld devices which allow them to see how many times a vehicle has received a citation in an area which is why repeat offender vehicles receive a ticket of \$20.

If a vehicle that has stayed in a parking spot for more than 72 hours, and has received multiple citations still has not moved, the vehicle will be towed, Tyrrell said. Vehicles with outstanding parking citations can also be towed.

When individuals who are inebriated attempt to operate a vehicle, parking enforcement officers do not have the ability to arrest so they will try to get the individual to take an Uber or Lyft, Tyrrell said. If not, a police officer will have to address the individual legally, he said. A

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## Hardware errors delay Gotcha Bikes

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Hardware errors delayed Gotcha Bike's arrival to East Carolina University but improvements have been made, and brand new Gotcha e-bikes are expected to hit campus in early September.

ECU Parking and Transportation External Operations manager Joshua Rossnagel said the parking and transportation department wanted Gotcha Bikes on campus by move-in day. There was a delay because Gotcha launched bikes in two other locations there were issues between the app and the bike communicating.

There was a hardware error with the bike and it had to be reordered from China which caused the delay, according to Rossnagel. Improvements have been made and brand new bikes will be brought to campus, he said.

"Well, rather than bring them to campus and have them not work we decided to delay. We're looking at the beginning of September, which is going to be the first or second week. We'll have all 200 bikes on campus," Rossnagel said.

About 25 bikes will be brought to campus at a time over the course of one to two days, Rossnagel said.

There will be 20 to 30 geofenced "hubs" to leave Gotcha Bikes on campus based on data from Lime, Rossnagel said. These hubs will show up on a map via the app but there will also be signage and ground decals to indicate where the hubs are, according to Rossnagel.

Gotcha Bikes will first be launched on ECU's main campus and then the program will expand to the Health Sciences Campus. The hubs will cover west to east campus, college hill, Minges and Curry Court.

Hubs will be located in areas such as the Student Recreation Center by Mendenhall, the ATM at Wright Plaza, between Bate and Flannagan and at Fletcher Music Library, Rossnagel said. The hub at Minges will be at each covered bus stop. Three to four Gotcha Bikes will be placed by the bike racks, Rossnagel said.

"So when you're looking for a bike you won't have to chase it down like you had to do with Lime where it can be anywhere in the area. You can just go to a hub and there's a good chance there's gonna be a bike there," Rossnagel said.

On game days, there will be "reverse geofence" areas around Dowdy-Ficklen Stadium making it a "no bike zone," Rossnagel said. There may be temporary hubs on game days but due to the number of pedestrians it will be blocked in the stadium location to prevent accidents, he said.

Students can begin to download the Gotcha app now

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## Umbrella market comes to season end

Chloe Easton  
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Weekly Uptown Greenville farmers market, The Umbrella Market, prepares for its final summer session tomorrow evening at 5 p.m. located at Five Points Plaza.

With the start of the summer season, The Umbrella Market made its return to uptown this past May providing over 50 North Carolina native vendors a community to share home grown produce and hand crafted goods. Director, Robin Ashley, describes the market as a gathering for local farmers,



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Kettle corn and lemon shaker company Pops & Pucker serves freshly squeezed lemonade at the Umbrella Market this past June.

artists and craftsmen who use it as an opportunity to share their products with a broader audience.

Ashley said besides the weather challenges and road work that took place around Greenville this summer, overall this past season ran smoothly as expected.

"It was a good summer overall, we had some weather challenges this year that we haven't had as much lately just with the heat being really bad this summer," Ashley said. "Overall we had a lot of good markets and we had a good season, the vendors who came out still enjoyed themselves and the people

coming out still had fun."

Following the appearance of President Donald Trump in Greenville, Robin said she believes the market is a place where people felt included during a time of uncertainty.

"I didn't feel any difference based on that (Trump's appearance), I don't think we had any issues from people feeling like they weren't safe to come out," Ashley said. "In fact, the market has always been a really fun and inclusive space in that way,

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## BRIEFS

## SAB hosts Welcome Back Cookout

The Student Activities Board (SAB) is scheduled to host a Welcome Back Cookout tonight from 5 to 8 p.m. on the Main Campus Student Center Lawn.

The SAB encourage students to attend the event while enjoying music and food, also to get to know the organization's executive leaders and how to join.

## Resume workshop scheduled for students

East Carolina University Career Services and the Student Employment Office will hold a back to school resume workshop tomorrow at 11 a.m. in the Human Resources building room 283, at 119 Cotanche St.

Counselors and student employment representatives will be available to aid students in crafting their professional resumes.

## Adventure Week morning yoga to take place at MCSC

Today at 8 a.m. on the Main Campus Student Center Lawn, the Adventure Leadership Program will host a morning yoga session. Free T-shirts will be given out to those who participate, and those interested in attending are encouraged to bring a water bottle and a yoga mat.

## Disc golf opportunity available at HSC

Today from 5 to 7 p.m., a roaming disc golf event will take place starting in front of the Rec Center on ECU's Health Science Campus.

## CORRECTIONS &amp; CLARIFICATIONS

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Interim Chancellor Dan Gerlach sits at his desk in the Spillman Building, looking over a schedule for the afternoon's events on the day of captured image.

# Budget freeze impacts faculty

## ECU officials and faculty members address hiring freeze

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East Carolina University officials and faculty members are addressing the after-effects of budget revisions and how the current hiring freeze impacts staff, students and the future of the university.

On June 4, Interim Chancellor Dan Gerlach announced ECU would be instituting a hiring freeze and a budget reduction of \$16 million due partly to lower enrollment numbers.

Gerlach said enrollment is lower now than in the past, but partly due to a higher graduation percentage and a continually steady enrollment number.

"We currently have fewer students and lower enrollment by credit hour than two years ago," Gerlach said. "One major reason for this is that the number of ECU students graduating is up 10 percent from 2 years ago and we didn't have an increase in incoming class sizes to keep enrollment stable."

Gerlach said the reason for the budget reduction and hiring freeze is to help combat lower revenue from tuition and other financial issues. He said ECU is approaching the budget cutbacks with the university and students in mind.

"By planning ahead, ECU will be able to make better choices to address the short-term reality of lower revenue from tuition, fees, and state appropriations," Gerlach said. "It's our goal to manage the reduction smartly and limit impact on students."

Gerlach said he has worked on public budget sectors for 20 years and will continue to be transparent in his strategy when it comes to keeping students, faculty and staff informed of his plans.

In response to the possibility of the hiring freeze affecting course quality at ECU, Gerlach said he is confident in ECU's ability to continue to provide an "excellent education" for students.

"It's a tough question, but frankly, our faculty have shown incredible resilience and resourcefulness to serve our number one goal of maximizing student success," Gerlach said.

Gerlach said he plans to implement a variety of methods to improve ECU this upcoming year and in the future during his time as interim chancellor, with the help of the new Associate Vice Chancellor for Admissions Stephanie Whaley.



Dan Gerlach

whose graduates may want to attend ECU in the future.

Gerlach said that there is also more economic development to come at ECU, with the help of officials.

"I'm focusing on a short and long-term financial plan to balance all the needs of the university, with the advice and insight of our Board of Trustees," Gerlach said. "We're also going to work on raising outside funds for particular needs, and develop a thoughtful plan to show the Governor and the General Assembly that state funds entrusted to us will give a high rate of return."

Gerlach said he is optimistic for the future of ECU and potential enrollment increases and is confident ECU's incoming classes will continue to grow in the future.

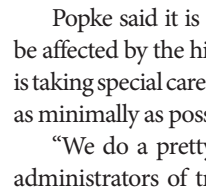
"We're investing in strategies that our Enrollment Management Task Force devised to help attract more Pirates. The class of 2023 will be one

of the largest incoming classes in our history," Gerlach said.

Jeff Popke, professor of geography and chair of ECU's Faculty Senate, said he believes the budget reduction and hiring freeze is a difficult scenario to face from a staff perspective, but a necessary measure.

Popke said although the hiring freeze is non-strategic, it is the only measure available due to faculty having the protection of tenure, meaning most staff cannot be fired if a department were to have too many faculty members. He said it could result in problems for departments with open positions which are now unable to be filled.

"So what it is going to mean, I think, in certain departments is that faculty are going to have to step in and, in some cases, perhaps teach more classes, or class sizes may have to increase because there will be fewer faculty members working here at ECU next year at this time," Popke said.



Jeff Popke

Popke said it is possible course quality might be affected by the hiring freeze, but the university is taking special care to ensure students are affected as minimally as possible.

"We do a pretty good job, both faculty and administrators of trying to protect the students when something like this happens," Popke said. "I think the number one concern is always to make sure that these kinds of decisions do not have negative repercussions for students."

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Parking changes were discussed at last Tuesday's public meeting in Sheppard Memorial Library.

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notice will be put on the individual's car to not ticket or tow it, Tyrrell said.

Proposed parking changes in the Uptown area were discussed last Tuesday and Thursday at Sheppard Memorial Library to inform the public before any changes were brought before the Greenville City Council for a vote.

The proposed parking changes would result in increased parking fines for first-time offenses, add paid parking and parking after 10 p.m. which would cost \$15, according to City of Greenville Special Event Liaison Corey Barrett.

To offset the cost of private security, parking enforcement and additional police staff in Uptown parking after 10 p.m. would cost \$15. Barrett said large events such as Freeboot Friday require security.

Barrett said the cost of paying for

security Uptown falls back on taxpayers. Barrett said "there is no such thing as free." He said taxpayers are currently paying for the free parking downtown.

First time parking offense fines would be raised from five dollars to \$20. The first citation would be a warning. On-street parking would be free in the first hour and every additional hour would cost \$1.75. The fee for off-street parking Uptown would be a dollar an hour.

"We want to basically move away from your on-street of two hour free parking, and throughout the entire Uptown district have the on-street spaces at \$1.75 per hour, with the first hour being free and the person chooses to utilize anytime beyond the first hour then they can pay for whatever time they feel is necessary at that time," Barrett said.

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so that when the bikes arrive they can "scan and go," Rossnagel said. He said students can begin to put money into their accounts.

With an educational email address it costs \$6.99 a month for a one hour ride every day of the month and every minute after costs 10 cents, Rossnagel said. He said the average ride per day is seven minutes.

"You can ride an entire month, every day, for 6.99 a month. If you do it hourly it (costs) two dollars to unlock and then 10 cents a minute, so after three rides it's the same as the monthly. So if you're anticipating riding three rides a month or more we definitely encourage you to do the monthly (option),"

Rossnagel said.

University Stability Manager at ECU, Chad Carwein, said there's environmental, financial, health and personal benefits to biking.

Less than five percent of adults get 30 minutes of physical activity every day, Carwein said. He said riding the bike to and from classes could be the recommended thirty minutes of physical activity. He said bikes benefit the community as a whole by reducing vehicle emissions.

Gotcha will help connect ECU's transportation options, Carwein said. Students will have the opportunity to take the bus to class and then can bike around campus, he said.

There are financial benefits to those

who are able to use the bus and the bike-share program along with walking, Carwein said, because they wouldn't need a car and wouldn't have to pay for the expenses associated with car ownership.



Chad Carwein

saving if you can do without a car," Carwein said.

Sophomore finance major Ryan Andrews said he believes students will exercise more once bikes are brought to campus because biking provides students the ability to work-

out without going to the gym.

Andrews said \$6.99 a month to ride Gotcha Bikes are affordable because it is similar to the cost of Apple Music and Amazon, which many students are subscribed to.

"I think it would be beneficial because, right now, there's a high demand for the buses and there's a lot of traffic so I feel like biking would be an easy way to get to class along with getting exercise in," Andrews said.

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## Pirates and Spiders end in draw

### Draovitch notches ECU's lone goal as opener ends in 1-1 tie

Anna Felber  
TEC STAFF

On Sunday, the East Carolina University soccer team battled it out against the University of Richmond, resulting in a tie late into the second half on a goal by senior forward Daria Draovitch.

Both teams had a rather slow start to their season as each club's opener was cancelled due to weather. This match for the Pirates and Spiders then truly became their real first full game.

In the first half, ECU had a lot of momentum, but weren't able to create many good chances. Although they had eight shots, none of them were on target. For Richmond, they had three shots, but two of them were on frame.

Junior forward Cashlin Copley had the best scoring chance in the half. She received a cross into the box and was able to bring it down and turn, but was not able to get a true shot off.

Nine minutes into the second half, Richmond capitalized on an ECU mistake allowing them to put the ball in the back of the net. Junior forward Katie Tritt intercepted a Pirates' pass just outside of ECU's 18-yard box.



Jason Hamilton

"We have to give credit to Richmond, I thought they outworked us tonight and deserved to get a result against us," head coach Jason Hamilton said. "This is something that we have to learn from moving forward."

Tritt was then able to slot a pass to redshirt junior forward Alyssa Walker who was able to beat redshirt junior goalkeeper Melanie Stiles inside the near post, giving the Spiders a 1-0 advantage.

"That is who we were last year, the team that went out and battled and outworked our



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Senior forward Daria Draovitch booted in the game-tying goal for the Pirates, after she beat a Richmond defender to the net in Sunday night's match.

opponent," Hamilton said. "We have a lot of areas that we didn't show discipline in tonight and as a group we have to be focused at getting better in those areas each day."

The Pirates continued to fight and press the momentum of the game. In the 66th minute, Copley fought her way down the right side of the field and was able to get a shot off, but it bounced off the crossbar.

Before that, in the 55th minute, senior defenseman Jayda Hylton-Pelaia managed to get herself behind the Spider's defense after a through ball came from freshman midfielder Sophia Denmark. However, Hylton-Pelaia's shot was smothered by Richmond's goalie.

With eight minutes left in the match, the Pirates had their chance to score. Hylton-Pelaia

took a throw-in over on the right side of the pitch which was placed right to Draovitch's feet.

Draovitch accelerated into the space she was given before launching a left-footed shot on goal. The shot curved right between the far post and the goalie, thus tying the game 1-1.

Regulation ended in a tie, so both teams took the field again to try and break through in overtime. Both teams had their own separate chances, but neither was able to capitalize ending the match in a 1-1 tie.

"We did not show in this game like we did

on Thursday or in our exhibition game. We showed good fight after they scored and put them under pressure until we equalized, and we also fought hard in the second overtime," Hamilton said.

ECU will leave home for the first time this season as they will travel to Charlottesville, Virginia to take on the University of Virginia, Friday at 5:30 p.m.

"Our schedule only gets tougher from here on out, and I think we are still hanging on to last year's success," Hamilton said. "We have to focus on right now and improving each and every day."

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## Cross Country ready to run into new year

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The East Carolina University Cross Country team is set to hit the track and open up a new season on Friday at 5 p.m. at the Covered Bridge Open.

Last season, the Pirates opened the season with a win at the Carolina Challenge. The men came away with a one point victory over Clemson University, Coastal Carolina University, Winthrop University and South Carolina State University. The women's team also won, with Clemson coming in second place.

ECU hopes to have a repeat of last season's opener this year at Appalachian State University for the Covered Bridge Open, but their main focus is just about getting better everyday and having success in the postseason.

"At the end of the day this year we have been stressing the fact that we want to be successful in the regular season, but we know that we need to be successful in the postseason," Junior Josh Spare said. "This team is really taking the season day-by-day and our focus right now is on the App State meet. But regardless of the outcome, win or lose, we know that when we get back on the bus to head back to Greenville that our focus needs to be on the Navy meet."

The Pirates enter the year as a very young team. On the men's side, they will lose only one player to graduation this season while the women's team will lose three.

"It is really going to force our freshmen and sophomores to step up into some roles they may not be used to," head coach Josey Weaver said. "However, after assessing where



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Graduate student Nick Ciaccia runs in a meet.

we are now compared to when we first came back, I am very pleased."

The players aren't very concerned about being so young, as their main focus all throughout training has been on taking what they did last year and building on it.

"This year we really want to build on the success we had last year. Eventually, we'd love to win a conference title, so this year is about taking steps forward towards that long-term goal," sophomore Abby Yourkavitch said. "We have a really strong group of underclassmen this year. There's so much natural talent and so much potential in them and we're excited to see how they can impact the team."

Even with such a young and inexperienced team the end goal remains the same; to bring home a conference championship. A point known by everyone on the team, from the players and the coaches.

"The goal is to chase the championship.



Josey Weaver

Since I got here, day one that has been the goal. We are much closer to that now than we were three years ago," Weaver said. "We won't be going into anything expecting to be second or third. "We have our work cut out for us, but our goal is to knock someone off the throne and be able to stand on top of the mountain."

The Pirates' season officially begins on Friday at 5 p.m. in Boone, North Carolina.

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## OUR VIEW

### Discussions on campus necessary

After President Donald Trump's campaign rally on July 17, East Carolina University released a statement signed by officials which neither denounced or accepted the controversial chants that had taken place.

The statement reiterated the university's position regarding the campaign rally regarding how it was following federal and University of North Carolina System guidelines. The statement issued to the community by ECU News Services said the university wasn't endorsing nor hosting the Trump event.

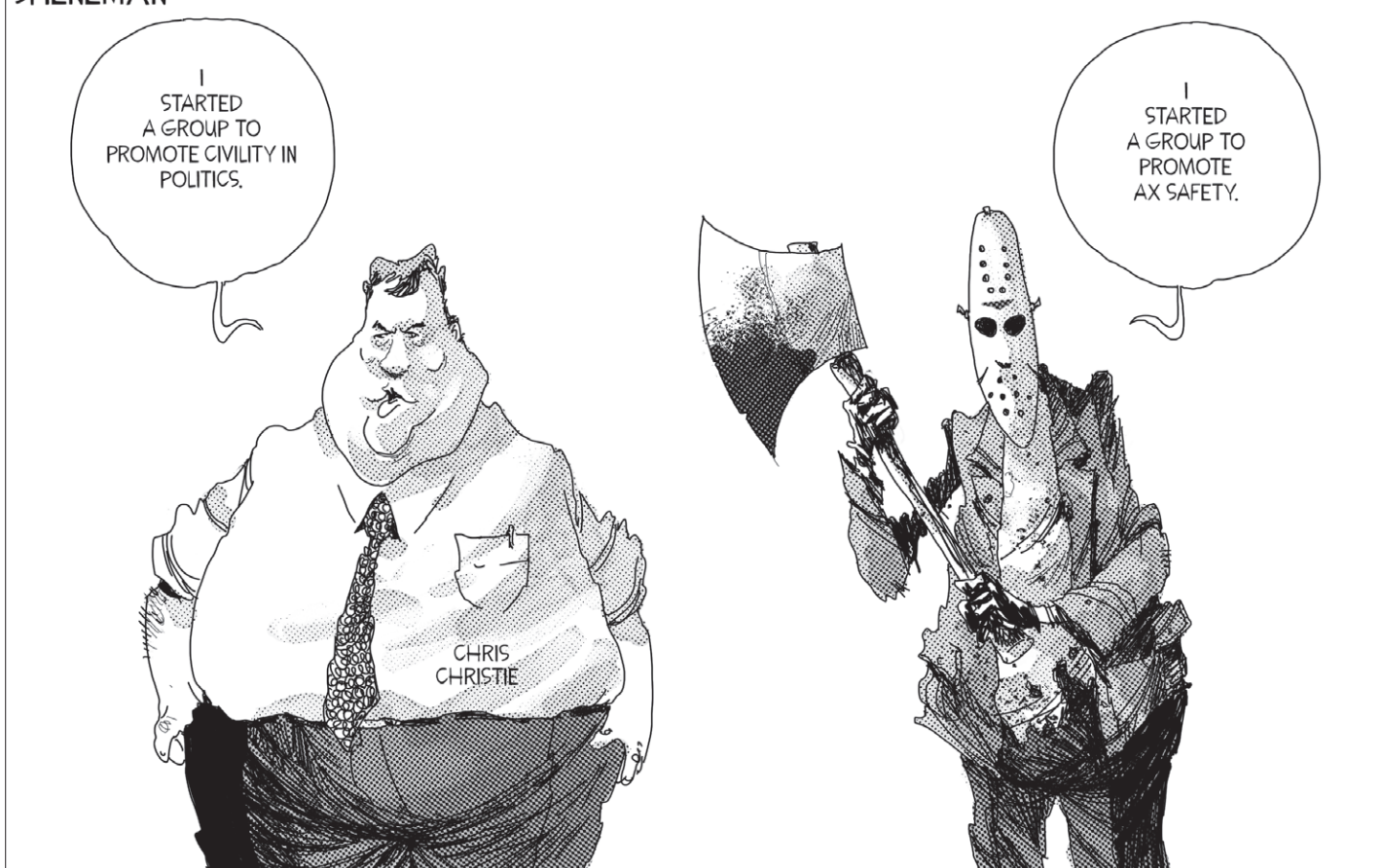
The feeling of betrayal was felt by many throughout the ECU community after the campaign rally, who believed there wasn't enough warning for the event or the event should not have been held on campus, which was brought to the attention of panel members at the first Cupola Conversations of the fall semester.

Last Tuesday, the Cupola Conversations allowed for there to be "facilitated such conversations on campus in the fall." In the case of last week's event, ECU officials discussed the Trump rally as well as the future of politicians visiting campus.

We, the editorial staff of The East Carolinian, believe the conversation on past and future political visits to ECU's campus are needed to be heard by everyone within the campus community.

The topic of the Cupola Conversations allowed for students and faculty members to voice their opinions, or to ask questions regarding the Trump rally. Additionally, it allowed for ECU officials to address the subject matter in person following the response to the rally.

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## Joining a so-called sisterhood

### ECU Student shares her opinions on joining a sorority



Chloe Easton  
TEC STAFF

"Joining a sorority" are three words every freshman girl seems to spit out of her mouth once she arrives on campus. Becoming a part of the so-called "sisterhood" can be beneficial, depending on which one you chose.

From tales of forcing girls to sit on washing machines in their bra and underwear to see what "fat" shakes on their body, to paying over \$200 for an outfit to wear for a pancake breakfast, I have heard every sorority horror story possible.

Don't get me wrong; not all sororities are like this. Many can be a place where you meet lifelong friends and help make a difference on campus and within your community. However, what many incoming students fail to realize is the abundance of organizations offered at East Carolina University that are both beneficial to your experience here on campus and life after graduation.

I have never been a part of a sorority at

ECU and have not had to face the financial consequences they provide for their members. Understanding that specific organization requires payments and fees is not the issue here, but not realizing that there are so many options that won't dig into your bank account is.

If you're looking for a place to share your thoughts and beliefs through the power of words, Word of Mouth is the perfect organization to join. Established in 2008, Word of Mouth is an organization filled with ECU "poets, writers, lyricists and emcees," according to their [organization page](#) provided by OrgSync.

Though the group travels to nationwide competitions, which from my understanding are inexpensive, there is no experience needed to join. Like most creative writing organizations, Word of Mouth provides students with a safe place to share their life struggles and built-up emotions in a positive environment.

Sexual assault prevention organization, A Better World, established themselves based on the goal to raise awareness of the sexual assault cases happening around

ECU campus. The organization claims they "spread information of the resources available to students, but also give students an outlet to speak out on such a difficult issue," according to OrgSync.

Witnessing first-hand sexual assault during a fraternity party my freshman year here at ECU, A Better World is an organization I encourage every incoming first-year student to join. Those who are planning on joining Greek life, where cases seem to arise most out of based on my personal experience, are the ones I especially encourage.

Whether incoming freshmen choose to involve themselves with the chaos that comes with being apart of the "sisterhood," or decide to direct their time here at ECU to better themselves through other means, it is important to remember that Greek life is not the only option.

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## Greek life gives you support

### Sorority member invites girls to join ECU's Panhellenic



Megan Muncie

After dancing my whole life and joining the ECU Club Dance Team as a freshman, I knew I wanted to do something different but still have the friendships and support I gained through dancing.

I didn't know a lot about sororities or greek life in general so I was very nervous but going through recruitment as a sophomore was possibly one of the best decisions I made. After going through the recruitment process, I was able to find the most amazing group of women for me in Alpha Xi Delta.

They constantly support me and are there for me whenever I need them. Sisterhood events such as Taco Tuesday, Ice Skating and formal events have allowed me to become closer with all of my sisters. Being in a sorority has not only given me these friendships but has allowed me to take leadership positions, focus on my grades and volunteer for our philanthropy, Autism Speaks. When it comes to leadership positions, every Panhellenic chapter here at ECU offers so many opportunities to gain the leadership position you would like in areas like event planning, community service, finance and communications. Grades have always been very important to me. Being able to have so many advisors and sisters that excel in so many different subjects that will be there to help you will allow you to achieve the grades you can be proud of. I would encourage anyone to go through recruitment and be a part of

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Panhellenic Association here at ECU is something I am proud to be a part of as a whole. Every chapter here is so special in their own way with so many incredible women. If I had never gone through recruitment and joined a sorority, I might have not had such special friendships with women in other chapters. Everyone just lifts each other up because they want the absolute best for you and your chapter and you want the same for them. Greek life and the Panhellenic Association here at ECU also puts so much time into the chapters here. The Panhellenic executive board does such an amazing job every year making sure recruitment goes great for every potential member. Panhellenic exec is made up of women from all different sororities here at ECU which is a prime example of how these chapters work together. The amount of dedication and sleepless nights these women put into recruitment and so many other things show their love for not only their chapters but for all of Panhellenic. This Panhellenic love is

special at ECU and I believe everyone should get to be a part of it. People constantly say that being in a sorority is just people paying for their friends but it is not that at all. It is friendships that will last forever, women that will always support you no matter what chapter they are in, the service that you do to support such amazing causes, the pride you have wearing your letters and so much more.

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## HOROSCOPES

**Aries** (March 21-April 19) -- Today is an 8 -- Have fun with friends and family. Enjoy time with someone sweet. Expect the unexpected. Relax, and get restored by laughter and satisfying flavors.

**Leo** (July 23-Aug. 22) -- Today is a 9 -- Step into your comfort zone. Focus on a personal objective. Pamper yourself with a style upgrade. Dress for success, and step onstage. You're especially hot.

**Sagittarius** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) -- Today is a 9 -- Anticipate changes along the road. Chaos mingles with beauty. Resolve details as you go. Wait for confusion to pass. Pull over to resolve mistaken directions.

**Taurus** (April 20-May 20) -- Today is a 7 -- Household projects may not go as planned. Measure carefully. Pad the budget for unexpected costs or delays. Review options, and choose for durability.

**Virgo** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) -- Today is a 7 -- Look back for insight and inspiration for the road ahead. Notice dreams and symbolism. Consider recent changes. Adapt plans and strategies. Monitor and measure.

**Capricorn** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) -- Today is a 9 -- Handle financial matters. Coordinate tasks with your partner. Contribute your share to a joint venture. Adapt to unexpected circumstances. Together, you can work wonders.

**Gemini** (May 21-June 20) -- Today is an 8 -- You're uncovering a fascinating story. Keep digging and reveal the root cause. Discover a surprise. Disagree respectfully and persuasively. Don't react without thinking.

**Libra** (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) -- Today is an 8 -- Develop your team strategy. Hold meetings and collaborate for a larger cause. Keep your side of the bargain. Investigate all options, and report back.

**Aquarius** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) -- Today is a 9 -- Rely on your partner's strong support. Discuss strategy, timing and ideas. Brainstorm and consider creative options. Align on the best solution. Share your appreciation.

**Cancer** (June 21-July 22) -- Today is a 9 -- Estimate potential expenses, and pad the budget for the unforeseen. Confirm intuition with data. Maintain lucrative practices. Generate dough for cookies and bread.

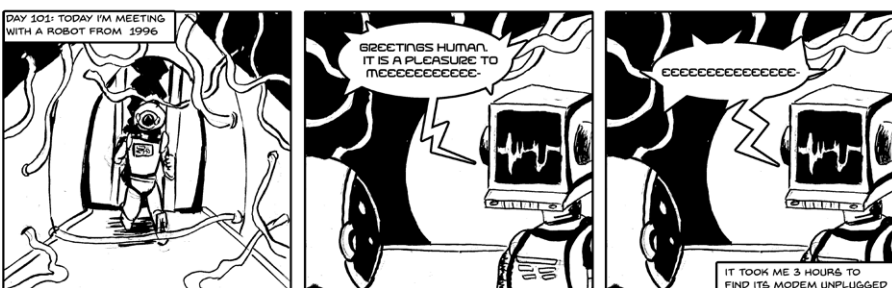
**Scorpio** (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) -- Today is an 8 -- Prepare for an upcoming test. A career opportunity requires a demonstration or display. Submit bids and proposals. Get your team set up. Thank your supporters.

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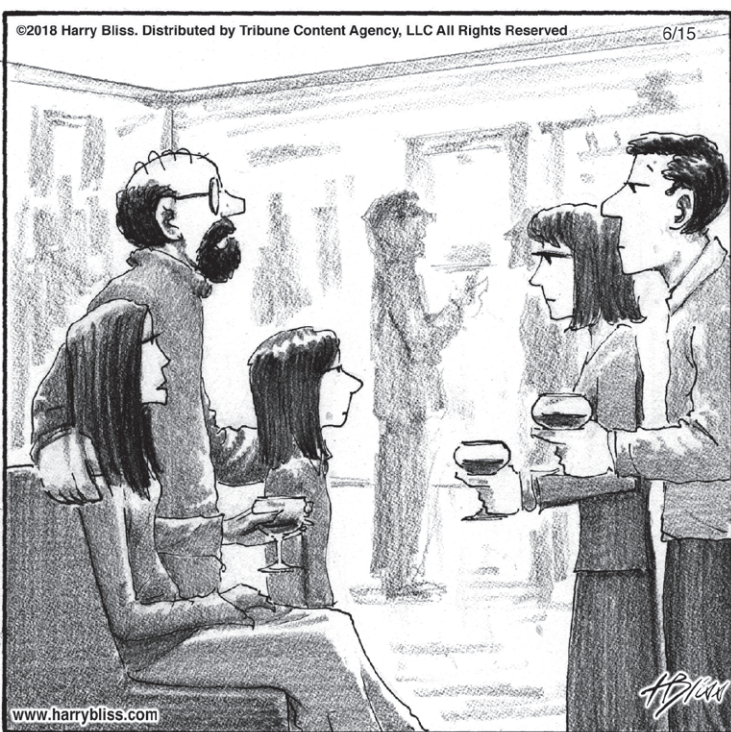
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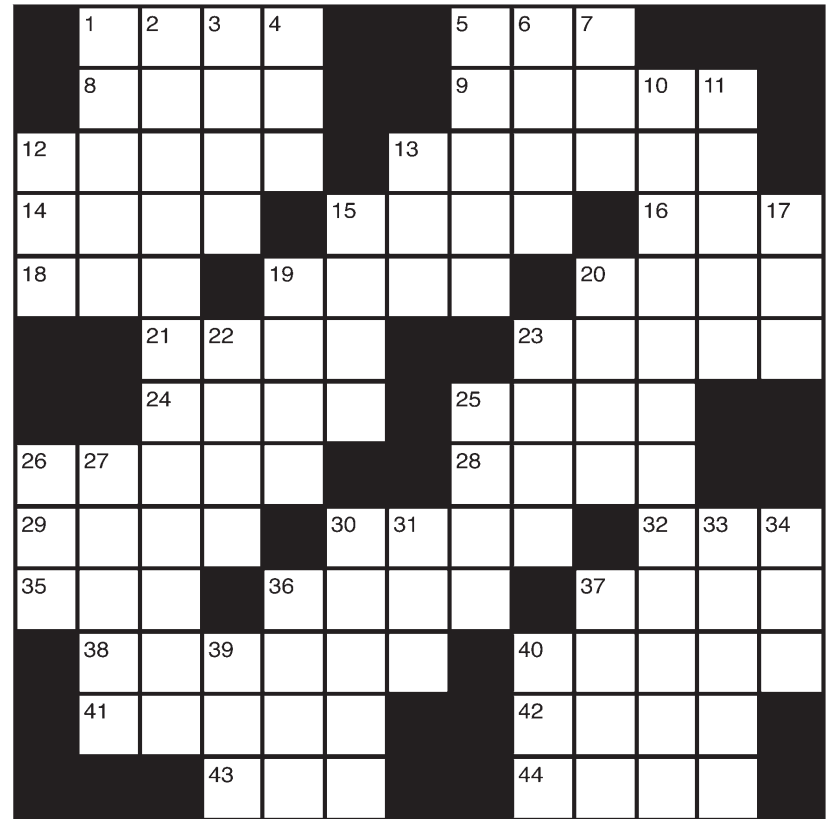


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## CROSSWORD

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- 8 Sitcom for Sherman Hemsley
- 9 \_\_\_-the-mill; ordinary
- 12 Computer command
- 13 Star of "Everybody Loves Raymond"
- 14 Sensed; perceived
- 15 Rather and Aykroyd
- 16 Refrain syllable
- 18 "\_\_\_, the Beloved Country"; James Earl Jones film
- 19 "Happy \_\_\_"
- 20 Professors' degrees, for short
- 21 Trudge
- 23 "Say Yes to the \_\_\_"
- 24 Skelton and Buttons
- 25 Betty of old cartoons
- 26 "One Hour \_\_\_"; Robin Williams movie
- 28 "Back in the \_\_\_"; film for Frank Whaley
- 29 PC alternatives
- 30 "While You \_\_\_ Out"; reality series

- 32 "Not \_\_\_ Stranger"; movie for Frank Sinatra
- 35 Command to Fido
- 36 "The Man Who \_\_\_ Liberty Valance"; James Stewart film
- 37 Cosby or Bixby
- 38 Michael or Diane
- 40 Actress and singer \_\_\_ Channing
- 41 "Family Matters" nerd
- 42 Largest continent
- 43 "Tarzan, the \_\_\_ Man"
- 44 "Now and \_\_\_"; Demi Moore film

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- 1 More exposed
- 2 "CSI: Miami" actress
- 3 Shipped
- 4 Explosive letters
- 5 Actor Jeremy
- 6 Bacardi products
- 7 Hilda's portrayal on "Ugly Betty"
- 10 "Little House \_\_\_"
- 11 Glenn and Harrison
- 12 Private first class: abbr.
- 13 Billy \_\_\_ Cyrus
- 15 "My Two \_\_\_"; Paul Reiser sitcom
- 17 Beast of burden
- 19 Nincompoop
- 20 Experts
- 22 "\_\_\_ Make a Deal"
- 23 Prescribed amount
- 25 Actor Reynolds
- 26 Noon followers, for short
- 27 Three-line Japanese verse form
- 30 "The \_\_\_ Nine Yards"; movie for Bruce Willis and Matthew Perry
- 31 Long, long time
- 33 Dr. Mark \_\_\_; Dick Van Dyke's role in "Diagnosis Murder"
- 34 "\_\_\_ My Children"
- 36 "\_\_\_ by Step"
- 37 Bad-mouth
- 39 Letters before an alias
- 40 "The \_\_\_ in the Hat"

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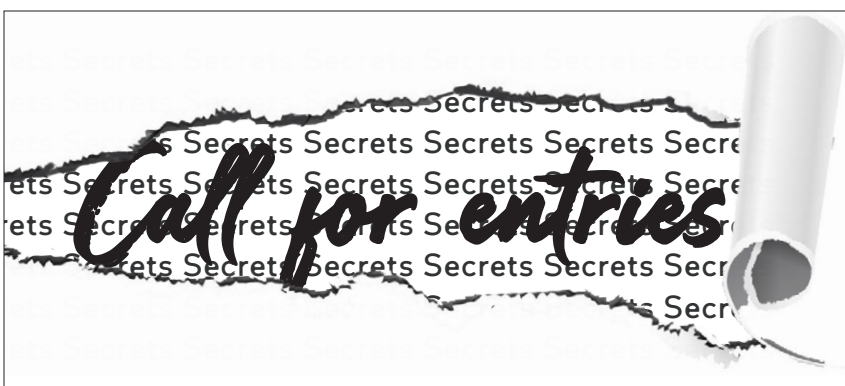
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## Expressions

Expressions is ECU's minority publication that strives to provide an alternative voice to address the experiences, concerns and perspectives of minority groups on campus. Expressions is looking for creative submissions in the form of poetry, short stories, non-fiction works, photography and illustrations.

Submission Deadline September 14th Submit to [expressions@ecu.edu](mailto:expressions@ecu.edu)



## EVENTS

### TODAY

**Parks and Recreation Trivia**  
Uptown Brewing Company  
7:00 p.m.

**Karaoke Night**  
Pitt Street Brewing Company  
7:00 p.m.

### TOMORROW

**Beer and Bottle Painting**  
Jack Brown's Beer and Burger Joint  
7:00 p.m.

**Morning Yoga**  
Health Science Campus  
8:00 a.m.

### THURSDAY

**Mims Distributing August Wine Tasting**  
Dickinson Avenue Public House  
5:30 p.m.

**Comic Book Club**  
Smashed Waffles  
7:00 p.m.

**Ladies Night**  
Halo Home  
5:00 p.m.



East Carolina University senior photography major TyQuarius Pittman strikes a pose for the camera in Greenville native clothing brand Ryder. L.J. MURPHY | COURTESY OF INSTAGRAM

## ECU senior shares passion

**Giana Williams**  
TEC STAFF

Growing up around his mother who enjoyed music and dance, TyQuarius Pittman, known as CoolBroJoeee on Instagram, picked up a love for dance and turned it into a passion that he shares through social media platforms today.

Pittman, senior photography major at East Carolina University, said the reason behind the start of his dance career is the feeling he gets when his body moves carelessly on its own to the sound of music. Pittman claims he inherited a connection to the art of dance from his mom and has been improving ever sense.

"The style I'd like to call my dancing is animation, hip hop, and pop lock," Pittman said. "But I'd also like to learn a vast variety of other styles. The more you know, the more you can mix."

Pittman said he saw how dance can speak to people in ways that he

wouldn't imagine. He uses Michael Jackson as a prime example of how contagious dancing could be and how it brings others together as a form of entertainment.

Pittman has worked with local artists since he has been apart of the Greenville area, including musician Jeremy "Jemonthekes" Duncan. For video production and photos, he has worked with multiple photographers and cinematographers, such as Tareq Edris, Francis Byungura and Carlos Crupi.

Junior dance performance and choreographer major, Sailor Drum, has worked with Pittman and recently released a dance cover on Instagram. Drum states that she enjoys the experience that comes with working with Pittman and that he brings a lot to the table.

"I'm always so willing to do a collab and love moving with different people and he definitely brought a lot of new ideas onto

the table," Drum said. "He's a very open person and doesn't hold back on anything. He's very honest with himself and with other people he's working with."



**Jeremy Duncan**

Pittman said he keeps in contact all the supporters he has gained over the years, family, and the people he has kept close in his friend circle as inspirations that kept him motivated to push him further into reaching his dreams.

Business administration ECU alumni and musician, Jeremy Duncan, has built a strong friendship with Pittman during his time spent at ECU and said one of the first things he noticed about the dancer was his talents and passion for his work. "I think people should check

out CoolBroJoeee's dancing and just his overall social media and everything because he truly loves what he does," Duncan said. "He loves to dance, he shows it every day no matter what we're doing."

Pittman said he would love to perform more this year to work his way up to being an all-around entertainer. He said his number one goal is to stay humble and keep a good character during his journey to continue dancing longterm and stay consistently productive.

"One thing that I always say is that to achieve something in life you need a solid team," Pittman said. "Once you find that team, remain solid, break bread, support each other and grow together."

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## UMBRELLA continued from A1

we've always had a really good mix of people and I think they've always felt really welcome in this space."

Past markets have included vendors such as Good Stuff Juices, Oceanmind Desgin and natural health and wellness company, Today's Natural Mom.

Owner and operator of the Today's Natural Mom, Ashley Licari, said she created her company after she read the packaging label off of one of her skincare products back in 2013 when expecting her first child. Following her discovery, Licari decided she wanted to create natural and zero plastic alternatives for everyday health and beauty products.

Licari said the company has enjoyed being apart of The Umbrella Market in the past and she has used it to influence the growth of her company to a wider audience.

"I'm actually in the process of changing the LLC name to something a little bit different," Licari said. "I had a lot of college students...the young mom nitch really hasn't been my customer bases, really just people looking for health conscious alternatives to the products they are using already."

Tomorrow evening's market will feature vendors such as Patty Cakes Cupcake Boutique, Tip Of The Caps Mushrooms and Duck-Rabbit Craft Brewery.

Founder and owner of Duck-Rabbit Craft Brewery, Paul Philippon, has been a returning vendor at the market for the past several years and describes it as a gathering of producers who share a sense of passion.

"To me it seems like a really fun gathering of artisanal producers, you know small producers people who are making things by hand, making things from a sense of passion," Philippon said. "Often it's good stuff to eat rather it be grown in the ground, made in the pasture or baked in the oven."

More information on tomorrow's market and a list of vendors and entertainment can be found on Uptown Greenville's website. The market will run from 5 p.m. with vendors closing down at 8 p.m. Market goers are advised to arrive early to insure available parking amid the construction.



**Paul Philippon**

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## REVIEW

### Taylor Swift has a brand new "Lover"



**Lydia Ryan**  
TEC STAFF

For years pop sensation, Taylor Swift, has tried to keep her romantic life private, until this past Friday night, when she shared a "Lover" she wants the world to know about.

On August 23, Taylor Swift released her seventh studio album titled "Lover." Appropriately named, the 18 track album has a clear theme of love, relationships and heartbreak. The album has yet to hit the charts but has received positive reviews from both Billboard and Rolling Stone.

The first track on the album is "I Forgot That You Existed." The ultimate upbeat breakup song, the lyrics describe that feeling of finally being over someone who might have broken your heart.

In contrast, "Cornelia Street" describes that attachment one feels to a certain time or place they have been with someone they care about. Swift sings about how she hopes to never lose the person in the song and if she did there were certain places that would be too difficult to return.

Towards the middle of the album "The Archer" is one of the slower songs on "Lover." While still a great song, it is probably the most skippable on the album. Compared to other songs, it doesn't have the same quality, but does add a nice balance in sound.



Taylor Swift's debut album cover from "Lover" released this past Friday night. COURTESY OF TWITTER

In contrast to Swift's sixth album, "Reputation," "Lover" has a lighter feel. "Reputation" helped Swift continue to explore her sound as an artist and moved away from her initial pop-country sound. With "Lover" you can hear Swift find a happy medium in her music.

"Lover" includes Swift's single "Me!" featuring Brendon Urie, lead singer of Panic at the Disco, that released this past April and peaked at number two on the Billboard Hot 100 charts. Her second single for the album, "You Need to Calm Down", was released this past May and has been nominated for a Teen Choice Award and MTV Music Awards' Song of the Summer.

In addition to the collaboration with Urie, Swift teamed up with country music trio, Dixie Chicks. The song "Soon You'll Get Better" reaches out towards people dealing with chronic illness and includes lyrics inspired by her own mother's battle with cancer. The combination of the Dixie Chicks and Swift relates back to Swift's

early career in the country music industry, before her jump to the world of pop.

Swift has already received some negative feedback on the song "London Boy" off of the album from London natives on social media. According to Fox News, the locals in London are mocking the "rose-tinted view" that Swift paints of the city.

Overall, "Lover" truly showcases Swift's talents as an artist. It has a consistent flow and theme that makes it enjoyable to listen to all the way through. Billboard chart rankings and album sales will determine the album's popularity in the coming weeks. Meanwhile everyone can debate who she was singing about in each song.

**RATING:**  
★ ★ ★ ★ ☆  
4 out of 5

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