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Governor Roy Cooper declared a State of Emergency for North Carolina on Friday and asks for citizens to prepare for hurricane.

## Dorian pushes north Governor Cooper urges for preparation

Elizabeth Johnson  
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Summer Tonizzo  
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Monday afternoon, North Carolina Governor Roy Cooper briefed the public on Hurricane Dorian's expected landfall in North Carolina after he signed an executive order on Friday declaring a state of emergency ahead of the hurricane.

Cooper said his thoughts are with the people of the Bahamas and as the storm heads towards North Carolina, those in the state could feel the impacts by Wednesday morning. He said he has been in constant contact with the National Hurricane Center and have consulted North Carolina experts.

Within the next 24 hours, Hurricane Dorian is expected to turn north and pick up speed, Cooper said at yesterday's briefing. North Carolina's local leaders have been consulting state emergency management and considering evacuations, Cooper said.

"We know that these evacuations are difficult, inconvenient and sometimes costly, but we must realize the potential deadly cost of refusing to evacuate when told. We have to respect the threat that Dorian brings," Cooper said.

Some areas are considering evacuations and some areas have ordered evacuations this afternoon, Cooper said. He told citizens to follow evacuation orders even though they may be costly. The cost of life is more important than the cost of evacuating, Cooper said.



Roy Cooper

so North Carolina can receive federal help if needed.

Cooper said he has activated 300 members of the North Carolina National Guard and hundreds of highway patrol troopers monitoring major roadways throughout the state. North Carolina Department of Transportation has moved resources from unaffected areas towards the eastern side of North Carolina.

Swift-water teams and search and rescue teams are in place to respond if needed, Cooper said. Incident teams of emergency managers from non-affected areas will help areas impacted by Dorian, Cooper said.

As the storm has picked up speed, Cooper warned citizens to make sure their family and pets are prepared with supplies and evacuation plans for the storm. He said preparations now can save citizens lives and lessen their chance of needing to be rescued during the storm.

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## Construction project falls 15 weeks behind

Elizabeth Johnson  
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Construction, currently impacting the Lawn of the Main Campus Student Center (MCSC), is running more than three months behind schedule has a new expected completion date of late November.

Project manager Robert Still said construction on all three phases of the project is expected to be completed by the end of November. He said completion dates change due to weather delays. Obstacles below grade such as abandoned utilities and utilities located in areas not shown on records also caused delays, Still said.

"We have run into a lot of unforeseen conditions and other obstacles including weather delays. So we're about 14-15 weeks behind schedule," Still said.

All three phases have an expected completion date of late November, but variables such as weather delays and unforeseen conditions could delay the completion date, Still said.

Phase one of the three-phase project is located in front of Slay Hall, through the woods between the MCSC and on the sidewalk connecting Joyner to the MCSC. This construction began in January 2019 and is expected to end in mid to late September, Still said. The sidewalk between Joyner and MCSC will open when phase one construction is complete, he said.

Phase two of the project borders the MCSC site most of the utilities in that location have been relocated and their locations are known, Still said.

Phase three will take place behind Joyner Library and hasn't been updated since the expansion of Joyner Library in the 1990's, Still said. This area has "old dirt" and he suspects there will be problems they don't know about in this area of the project, but it's not located in public spaces as phases one and two are, he said.

"We're still in phase one of the project so as we start digging in phase two and move over to phase three if we ran into problems like we ran into in phase one of the project will be delayed even further, it's unavoidable," Still said.

During phase two of the project, the sidewalk between the MCSC and Joyner Library will be closed, Still said. Those who use the parking garage will have to exit into the courtyard of the student center, he said.

Construction on College Hill Drive project has been delayed as no contractors showed up to bid the job, Still said.

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Eastern North Carolina modren metal band Nova Mortis featuring vocalist and guitarist Tommy Smith and Kane Cerny, Josh Williams on drums and Elijah Slater on bass rocking out to the audience.

## 5th Street Annex to take on metal bands

Chloe Easton  
TEC STAFF

Melodic Metalcore band, The Anchor, featuring Raleigh modern metal band Nova Mortis, makes its Revive Tour appearance to uptown Greenville this Friday night at 8 p.m. located at 5th Street Distillery Annex.

Comprising of lead vocalist Linzey Rae, gutairst Cory Jones and Ryan Miller, drummer Adam Johnson and bass player Sham Sundura, the Denver based band originated out of a previously existing band between Rae, Jones and Miller, according to Jones himself.

"Me, Linzey and the other guitarist (Miller) were in a band about six years ago and we were in that band for about two years and then we switched our name, kind of did a rebranding

thing, and that's whatever turned into the Anchor," Jones said. Since the evolution of the band, The Anchor has released popular YouTube series "Metal Kitchen" back in 2015 and has received over one million views.

The series runs as a parody, with Rae singing along to cooking instructions from a variety of different recipes. Jones said the feedback from the series was unexpected and ever since the band has been balancing both new music releases and Youtube.

"We kind of started dabbling in YouTube a bit and released a series called Metal Kitchen and that kind of exploded in our faces, we did not expect it to do that it did," Jones said.

Rae expressed the bands sound leans more to a positive metal core and focuses on basing their messages around her own life experiences. Rather than directly writing lyrics to

express one experience or emotion, the band tries to leave their music open to interpretation, according to Rae.

"It's positive metal core with old school breakdowns," Rae said. "We talk a lot about self worth and just kind of finding inner strengths through whatever challenges you may be dealing with, but we also try to express a wide variety of different emotions."

Joining the performance, Raleigh metal band Nova Mortis featuring vocalist and guitarist Tommy Smith and Kane Cerny, bassist Elijah Slater, drummer Josh Williams and vocalist Jacob Best are excited to see what the Greenville music scene has to offer.

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### ONLINE

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### SOCIAL MEDIA



**BRIEFS**

**Learn financial literacy s101 today in the MCSC**

Campus Living and Off-Campus Student Services will host a financial literacy 101 event this afternoon from 4 to 5 p.m. in the Main Campus Student Center room 307. The event will focus on teaching students the concept of personal finance and money management.

At the event, guest presenter Dean Smith will speak to students about off-campus housing, budgeting and credit cards. Smith will discuss how students can use funds for the right purposes.

**Study abroad information session to inform students**

Today from 4 to 5 p.m. at ECU's International House a study abroad information session will be held to inform students on the different programs offered by the university and scholarships which are available to them. There are expected to be more dates through Dec. 3.

**Gender to a Tea to be hosted in Bate**

An event in the Gender to a Tea series will be held tomorrow from noon to 1 p.m. in the Bate Building, room 1006. The event will feature Dr. Kirstin Squint, the 2019-2020 Whichard Chair (ENGL and GENS) to present "Conversations with LeAnne Howe."

**CORRECTIONS & CLARIFICATIONS**

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# Workers clock-in for holiday

## Community appreciates those who spent Labor Day at work

**Summer Tonizzo**  
TEC STAFF

With another year's Labor Day holiday weekend passing, City of Greenville officials and working community members took a moment to appreciate the men and women who remain on the clock during holidays.

Greenville Mayor P.J. Connelly said in an emailed statement to *The East Carolinian* that it's important to recognize the workers who play a "vital" role in the city's community and may not be getting a day off to celebrate the holiday, due to the nature of their jobs.

"Not everyone who works in public safety, healthcare or in the private sector has the ability to step away from their jobs, but the work that they perform is certainly important. It is my hope that those individuals will soon get their own opportunity to relax and enjoy time with family and friends as well," Connelly said.

Connelly acknowledged the men and women who do get to take the Labor Day holiday off and recognized the work these individuals do. He said the holiday is a recognition of their work and the hours they spend serving the citizens of Greenville while making it "a great place to live, work and play."

As the summer months come to a close, Connelly additionally took time to mention and appreciate the role played by Greenville's workforce in the



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Greenville Fire Rescue (GFR) currently has six stations throughout the city.

"prosperity of the city."

Rebekah Thurston, Greenville Fire Rescue's (GFR) public information officer, said the men and women who work for GFR work 365 days a year, seven days a week and operate 24 hours a day. She said GFR takes a lot of pride in serving the City of Greenville.

"We take a lot of pride in serving the city and the citizens and visitors of Greenville," Thurston said. "We don't take time off so that we are around when you need us (GFR). Labor Day is one of those holidays."

Thurston said GFR is proud to serve and hopes the community members and visitors had a safe holiday weekend. She said GFR does not do its job for recognition, however, the workers are grateful when individuals choose to show their gratitude.

Sometimes city residents drop off baked goods or thank you notes for GFR's service,

Thurston said. GFR workers have a certain skill set and a duty to serve the City of Greenville through medical and fire-related services.

"I would encourage people to take a moment to be grateful for those that are serving on those holidays such as Labor Day," Thurston said. "The police, just like fire, any of us, just like the hospital, we all work so that other people can take a day off. These aren't the things you would want to lapse in services, no matter what day of the year it is."

Thurston said GFR values the community in which it serves, and in the instance of an emergency or non-emergency setting, the fire department

takes pride in being able to help those in the community.

On holidays, GFR celebrates in its own way by having cookouts together, according to Thurston. She said the celebration does have to stop when there is a call, but it, hopefully, gets started back up when the workers return to the station.

Jessie Harris, GFR Captain, worked yesterday during Labor Day. He said providing fire and rescue services is important for the community every day.

"You miss birthdays and Christmas and Labor Days and stuff like that, but I think it's important for the folks who are celebrating to enjoy these holidays with their families and know there's people there ready to take care of them if needed," Harris said.

Harris said GFR sometimes sees an increase in community members who stop-by the station on holidays to drop off snacks, or on the occasion restaurants in Greenville will serve GFR workers a meal.

Harris said he enjoys working for GFR, and is proud to give back to the community and helping others when need be.

"To me, (working for GFR) helps out a lot in that you can just know that you have a sense of purpose and that you help others," Harris said. "And while you have to sacrifice holidays and time at home for that there is a tremendous sense of value in being able to help others and know that you contribute to something bigger than just yourself."

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P.J. Connelly



Rebekah Thurston

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This type of construction is not a "normal" construction project in eastern North Carolina unless it's at ECU or on a military base as it occurs more often in big cities, he said.

Still said he is still trying to bid the job but there aren't any dates set for bidding the job yet. He said as a result of this, construction won't begin until December or January. Fencing for the project was expected to go up in July but will not go up until after final exams in December, Still said.

"That has a lot to do with the timing of the job relative to the other work that's being done in eastern North Carolina, and there's just not that many of these types of contractors (Site steam distribution) bidding this type of work," Still said.

Assistant Director for Assessment and Engagement at Joyner Library Heather White said, students are very vocal in person and on social media but she hasn't seen any complaints from students about the construction on the lawn impacting their commute.

Students can provide feedback at the public service desk, security desk and the circulation desk in Joyner if they have concerns, White said. There may be a one to two-hour delay in response if students provide feedback via social media,

she said.

"I think that students have been patient through a variety of phases of construction on campus and through those various ones still found a way to get to us (Joyner Library), so we're thankful for that," White said.

White said there are many seating options in Joyner and in the event construction is loud, students can move to another area of the library. Additional seating has been added to the library, she said.

Study rooms in the Faulkner Gallery are equipped with white noise machines so students can study when music, lectures or other events are taking place in the gallery, White said.

Assistant Director for Public Services at Joyner Library Mark Sanders said phase three of the project will close Joyner's loading dock. He said the library may receive complaints in later phases of the project when the sidewalk is shutdown.

Sanders said the library received complaints from students and other members of the ECU community during construction on the MCSC due to no parking.

About two years ago, the roof of Joyner was replaced which resulted in a lot of noise complaints, Sanders said. If students are hearing



Mark Sanders



MICHAELA EMORY | THE EAST CAROLINIAN

Construction in front of the MCSC is 15 weeks behind schedule.

construction noise inside the library from construction outside they should contact Joyner, he said.

"I mean I just worry about people being inconvenienced (from the construction) but the noise I'm not worried about yet," Sanders said.

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"Because this storm is anticipated to pick up speed, time is running out to get ready. So please, stock your emergency kit to support your family and pets for several days, know what you will do if you have to evacuate with your family. Stay informed and know how to get severe weather alerts," Cooper said.

All commercial fishermen should remove all gear from the water before the storm hits, Cooper said. Boat owners should secure their boats before the storm hits, he said.

Cooper said shelters are being set up in local areas and a statewide shelter is being set up in Durham.



Mike Sprayberry

"We want people to heed evacuation orders. We don't yet know the path of this storm, so we don't know how much damage wind will bring we always know that water can be damaged, can be a real problem for our state," Cooper said.

North Carolina Emergency Management Director Mike Sprayberry said the state emergency center is fully activated at a level one. He said he has had conference calls with the National Hurricane Center every day. There have also been

conference calls with county partners each day, Sprayberry said.

"Rain, storm surge and winds will be a significant threat for hurricane east of (NC) I-95 with the greatest hazards being along our coastline," Sprayberry said.

Sprayberry said North Carolina may begin to feel the effects of the storm as early as Wednesday. He said citizens should be fully prepared with emergency supplies by Wednesday.

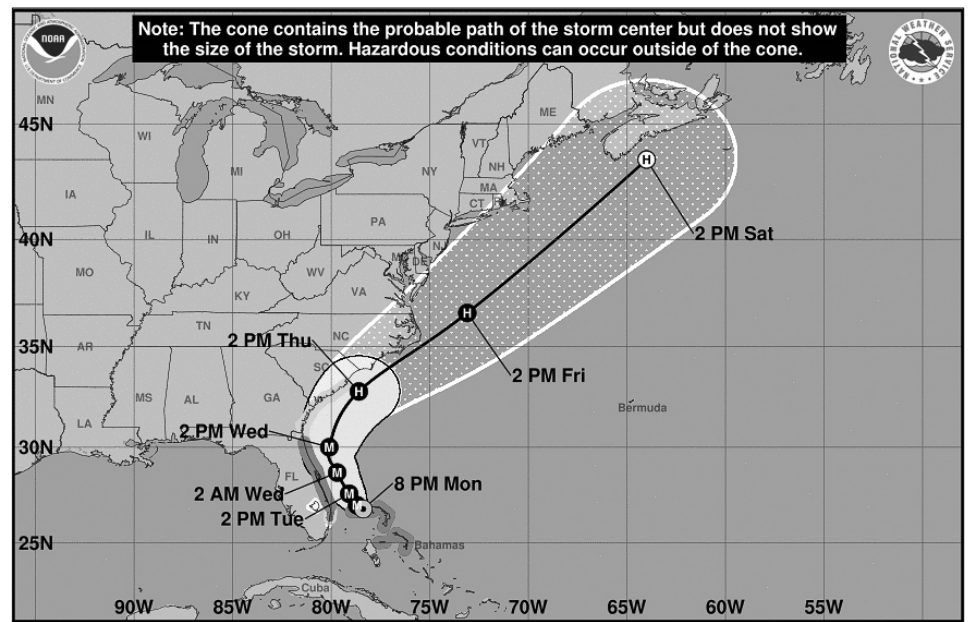
"We've activated our sheltering operation for both medical support and general population and we're prepared to shelter pets as necessary," Sprayberry said.

A lot of highwater vehicles are stationed on the eastern part of the state to get into Wilmington on I-40. Upon the request of New Hanover County "We'll surge in there," Sprayberry said.

Meteorologist Katie Webster said the storm could still move eastward or westward. She said at this point, North Carolina is not expecting the amount of rain Hurricane Florence brought last year.

Right now, five to 10 inches of rain is expected for North Carolina and 15 inches of rain for areas closer to the North Carolina coastal line, according to Webster.

"After talking with the hurricane center we have good confidence that the storm will be moving pretty quickly as it crosses our coast," Webster said.



COURTESY OF THE NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE

Hurricane Dorian is expected to move North and make rainfall in North Carolina on Wednesday.

Pitt County Director of Public Information Mike Emory sent an emailed statement to *The East Carolinian* yesterday saying the county is continuing to monitor the progress of hurricane Dorian.

"We have already begun the process of reviewing resources, including staffing, equipment, and sheltering materials; and are communicating with State and regional partners, including the National Weather Service, to identify any additional resources that may be needed as the exact forecast becomes more clear," Emory said.

As of Monday, the Emergency Information Page of the official Pitt County website has begun to be regularly updated. Emory said he encourages everyone to save the website in their browsers and refresh often for updates from Pitt County Emergency Management during Hurricane Dorian.

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## EVENTS

### TODAY

**Disney Movie Trivia**  
Uptown Brewing Company  
7 p.m.

**Karaoke**  
Pitt Street Brewing Co.  
7 p.m.

**Sustainability Film Screening**  
Main Campus Student Center  
6:30 p.m.

### TOMORROW

**Fleet Feet Pub Run**  
Uptown Brewing Company  
6:15 p.m.

**Olde Hickory Flight Night**  
Dickinson Avenue Public House  
5:30 p.m.

**Coachman Creations Beers & Bottle**  
Jack Brown's Beer and Burger Joint  
7 p.m.

### THURSDAY

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

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

### FRIDAY

**Coalescent Concert**  
Uptown Brewing Company  
8 p.m.

**Jazz Night**  
Starlight Cafe  
8 p.m.

**SUP Yoga with Moxie Yoga**  
Port Terminal Boat Ramp  
9 a.m.

### SATURDAY

**Bass Planet**  
Whirligig Stage  
9 p.m.

**Pilsner Release Party**  
Duck-Rabbit Craft Brewery  
3 p.m.

**Nephew Tommy and Friends Comedy Tour**  
Greenville Convention Center  
6:30 p.m.

**Kale Earnhardt Concert**  
Backdoor Skate Shop  
8 a.m.

**Bass Planet Series**  
Whirligig Stage  
9 p.m.



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Previous 110 Years of Excellence: In Memoriam exhibition in The Wellington B. Gray Gallery at Jenkins Fine Arts Center hosted spring semester May 2018.

## Gallery to honor retired faculty

Olan Bryant  
TEC STAFF

Former East Carolina University art professors will return to campus for the reception of the Celebration of Excellence exhibition tomorrow evening from 5 to 8:30 p.m. located at the Wellington B. Gray Gallery.

The exhibition will feature works of art from all mediums produced by the retired faculty to commemorate their years of service to East Carolina, as well as a tribute to former professors who have passed on.

The exhibit will also serve as an opportunity for current students to receive a glimpse into older methods of producing art. The idea came about two years ago, when the staff for the gallery went through proposals for future exhibitions, according to curator of the Gray Gallery, Maria Modlin.

"We had gone through proposals and one was for retired faculty. We reached out to our living retired faculty and asked if they wanted to participate, and 20 out of 26 agreed to be in the show," said Modlin.

Unfortunately, two of those former faculty members passed away in the intervening period,

and a portion of the show has been turned into a tribute to their memories.

Modlin also noted that student feedback has been positive, and that alumni have come from as far as Florida to attend last year's show.

For former educators, the show is a chance to reflect on their time at ECU and how times have changed since their retirement. Former art professor Norman Keller, whose work will be featured in the exhibit, expressed his opinion on how art styles have changed over the years.

"It's a very dynamic situation in terms of what goes on now," Keller said. "A lot of material comes from computers, and it's a whole different ball game. I like collecting iron materials and spending a week using a sledgehammer to break them down."

Keller retired from ECU in 1993 and also reflected on the university's history as one of the leading art schools in the nation.

"There was a time when the School of Arts was one of the best in the southeast. It was oriented toward things that demanded a lot of hand-eye coordination. Students aren't really interested in that type of thing anymore," Keller said.

However, Keller was optimistic that students would come away from the exhibition inspired by those who came before.

Christine Zoller, a more recent retiree, expressed hope that the show would allow people to see how the education that ECU provides causes people to grow internally.

"If you have people that are giving back to your community, it makes ECU well known and lets parents know that their children can be successful," Zoller said. "ECU fosters those opportunities in our students because of the knowledge we give them."

Zoller also elaborated more on the exhibition, commenting that it "gives the students the opportunity to see their professors as working artists. We're a lot like them in many ways, and we have different points of view that we communicate in our work."

The exhibition is on view at Gray Gallery located in the Jenkins Fine Arts Center on central campus until September 20th at 7:00 p.m.

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## REVIEW

### Lana Del Rey releases studio album



Giana Williams  
TEC STAFF

American singer and songwriter, Lana Del Rey, released her sixth studio album titled "Norman F\*\*king Rockwell" this past Friday, two years since her last album release.

After her last album "Lust For Love" in 2017, Lana Del Rey is back two years later with her 14 track "psychedelic rock" playlist which includes four prerelease singles titled "Mariners Apartment Complex," "Venice B\*tch," "Hope Is a Dangerous Thing for a Woman Like Me to Have - but I Have It" and "Doin' Time."

This album will not disappoint long-time Lana Del Rey fans. She keeps her signature "sadcore" style and the 1950's and 60's Americana aesthetic she is widely known throughout this album. Following the tragic love story theme in the album, she still remains the same Lana Del Rey but with a new story to tell her audience.

Starting off the album with the title track, Del Rey expresses her sadness about the guy she's with describing being with him "colors her blue." The lyrics, "your head in your hands as you color me blue" are linked to her third track song, "Venice B\*tch," where Del Rey shows her creative songwriting skills by using an oxymoron and tells her lover to "paint her

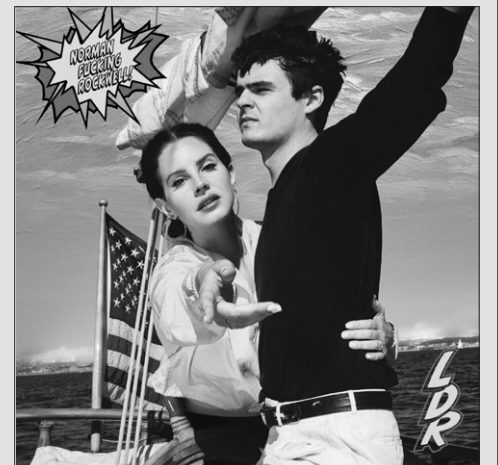
happy in blue."

"Mariners Apartment Complex" talks about how Del Rey's lover took her sadness away and she returns the favor by guiding and protecting him from his sins. This act of kindness by Del Rey is shown as a weakness and explains the up and down emotions she has been dealing with and goes back to her dark and deep, melancholic mood she is often known for.

"Doin' Time" is a cover of the American reggae-rock band, Sublime's song that was released in 1996. Del Rey samples the music from the original song, but puts her spin on the track with her iconic jazzy, low range vocals by using the word "summertime" instead of "doin' time," which usually was a constant theme in her past songs.

"Hope Is a Dangerous Thing for a Woman Like Me to Have - but I Have It" is one of the most popular songs on the album and maybe one of the darkest and emotional tracks. The song has a lot of references from American poet and novelist, Sylvia Plath, who is known for her writings that talks about her constant battle of her depression. Del Rey shared to BAAZAR Magazine that the meaning behind the song that everyone has their own trials and gets stressed, but being surrounded by people that you adore and closest to give you a lot of hope.

The album overall was not a disappointment and we got to see the same Lana Del



COURTESY OF TWITTER

Lana Del Reys album Normal F\*\*king Rockwell.

Rey that America has come to love, but in a different era of the music industry. This album requires a level of intelligence to understand the many references from notable figures throughout the track. Though the album has many bops, Del Rey did not shy away from talking about real-life issues like depression, tragic romances, and female empowerment and has put an end to the "hot girl summer" era.

**RATING:**  
★★★★★  
5 out of 5

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Smith said the band got its start in a similar way to The Anchor and curated from a previous projected known as Of Malice.

"About two and a half years ago the band started out as a project called Of Malice, and just members changed so the name changed, we grabbed our guitar player that we have now, Kane, and it was me him and Eli when we chose the name Nova Mortis," Smith said.

Following the completion of the band, Nova Mortis has released their latest album "Iris: Black" this past year. For those who

have never experienced a Nova Mortis performance, Slater said it will be a very intense show.

"The first time you're going to come see us, it's going to be visual shock, intense vocals, intense instruments and a very diverse sound with more of a prague hard core, metal core, deathcore kind of feel," Slater said.

Both The Anchor and Nova Mortis have its latest released Apple Music. For more information on their upcoming performance, fans are encouraged to check out the event page on Facebook.



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Nova Mortis bassist Elijah Slater sings out to fans.

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## OUR VIEW

### Crime unit will help students

According to the safety section on East Carolina University's website, it states "ECU takes the safety of the Pirate Nation seriously by investing numerous resources that help protect everyone on campus." After the robbery that occurred on Aug. 17, we're constantly left with the question of if ECU is actually safe for students and the Greenville citizens that live around campus.

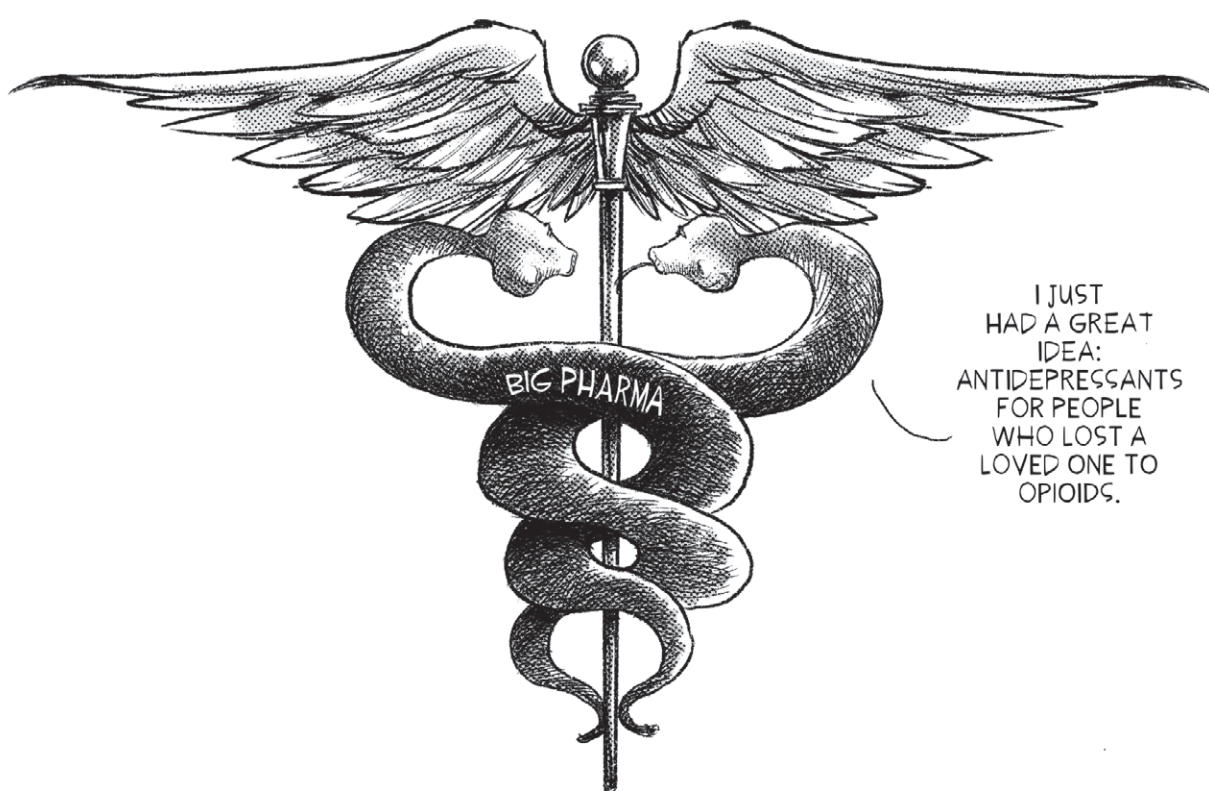
Since move-in day, there have been a number of incidents that have occurred around campus that have been documented in the ECU PD crime log, but with a stronger police unit, they can reduce the number of crimes that happen on campus to ensure the safety of students.

We, the editorial staff at The East Carolinian, believes the crime reduction unit will be beneficial to students and citizens living in the campus area. This unit is the next step to help keep the community safe and students can feel safe while attending ECU.

We encourage people living in or around the campus to sign up for the ECU Alerts to be alerted when there's a crime nearby or any emergency alerts sent by the campus. LiveSafe also serves as a tool to report safety concerns easier and less intimidating

We also encourage students to travel in groups and learn necessary safety precautions and be aware of their surroundings if they were to go out around campus late at night to help lower the risk of crimes that happens in the Uptown Greenville area.

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## Safety comes before classes

### ECU officials need to make a Hurricane Dorian call

*Living like Libby*



Elizabeth Johnson  
TEC STAFF

As someone that survived Hurricane Matthew, hurricane preparedness is very important to me. My family was living in the Wilmington area at the time and I had a first-hand account of how the storm impacted our community.

My family moved to Greenville by the time Florence hit last year and we were lucky enough to not feel the impacts many residents of eastern North Carolina were forced to endure.

As Hurricane Dorian made landfall over the Bahamas Sunday night as a Category 5 hurricane, Hurricane Dorian made landfall on the Bahamas Sunday and has hovered over the island for more than a day moving at 1 mph. The death toll of the storm has already reached five.

I worry about the safety of my classmates and residents of coastal and eastern North Carolina. The City of Greenville has been posting constant updates since Saturday of last week tracking the storm and warning citizens to prepare for the storm.

East Carolina University didn't post their first update via a tweet about the storm until Sunday saying "Too soon to tell how #Dorian might affect #ECU + @GreenvilleNC, but we are continuing to monitor this hurricane closely + will

update as soon as we have solid info."

UNC Wilmington has been posting updates about Hurricane Dorian since Thursday of last week and announced on Monday via Twitter that all classes after 5 p.m. on Tuesday would be canceled. In the current forecast, eastern North Carolina is still expected to feel the impacts of hurricane Dorian.

The ECU Alert sent out to students on Monday said campus can expect winds of 30 to 35 mph with gusts of 40 to 45 mph and 4 to 6 inches of rain. Most students don't have all of their classes in one building so expecting them to walk from one building to the next in these conditions is absurd.

While Florence didn't hit Greenville as bad as expected last year, we should still keep this storm on our radar.

Students without cars have to wait for parents or whoever can pick them to help them evacuate. If ECU makes the call too late, parents may not be able to pick their kids up before the storm hits.

Out of state students may be driving into the hurricane. Students need more time to prepare resources such as money and emergency supplies. They can evacuate from their home states but they also need time to do so. The last minutes notice to evacuate from Greenville is barely helpful to in-state students but can have severe impacts on out of state students.

Yesterday, Governor Roy Cooper briefed the public on hurricane prepared-

ness. He discussed how the storm has picked up speed and citizens are running out of time to move to prepare for the storm. Cooper told citizens although it is inconvenient and costly to evacuate, it is important to save lives.

North Carolina may begin to feel the effects of Dorian by Wednesday but most definitely will be impacted by the storm on Thursday and Friday if it continues on its expected path.

ECU officials are running out of time to make a decision to evacuate students. They should take into account the governor's warning. Eastern North Carolina has felt the impacts of the past two hurricanes, Matthew and Florence and we cannot forget this. While it is difficult to predict the path of the hurricane at the moment, ECU should be doing more to keep students informed.

It's better to miss a few days of classes with no weather impacts than keep students here and make a last-minute call to cancel classes and evacuate campus.

My education is very important to me. I study hard and only miss class when I am sick. I do not want to miss classes but I will not be attending classes with 4 to 6 inches of rain and 30 to 35 mph of wind. My safety becomes more important than my education and I hope ECU recognizes that for all of its students.

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## Parking changes need rethinking

*Doing the Dan' Thing*



Daniel Roberts  
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Officials within the city of Greenville for the past couple of weeks have proposed changes in parking fees that will impact downtown Greenville. I believe that these parking fees will cause more problems for Greenville officials in the end as opposed to actually benefiting them.

The proposed parking changes will increase the parking fines up to \$20 from the previous dollar amount of five dollars for first-time offenses. On top of that, fees will be added to those who choose to park after 10 p.m., which will be \$15. I feel that this is just another way for the city to get money off of everybody because being able to park at uptown is vital to everyone that stays or visits Greenville.

Taking a full look at what the City of Greenville proposed, it will affect those who live in uptown the most. Being that uptown has all of the nightlife activities from clubs, all the way to things such as both trivia and karaoke night at different venues, it has attracted people of all ages over the years. Everyone looks for ways to park near their intended destinations so they won't have to do much walking as well as be close enough to their cars whenever they are ready to leave Uptown.

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The proposed parking changes will begin to steer away customers from wanting to go uptown because of the complications with how to deal with being able to park their cars.

Every night of the week, numerous students attending East Carolina University and surrounding colleges and schools nearby Greenville find their way to uptown especially on Thursday nights through the weekend. Students already have enough problems with having to pay a lot of money for a parking pass on campus. There are times where they may want to go uptown and might want to park their car at uptown just so they won't have to go far to get to it. Knowing that the fees to park uptown are going up more and more students may become hesitant to do that because if they are not careful they will be paying more than they had to before in the past.

Don't get me wrong, you can go anywhere pretty much especially the big cities and deal with some type of parking issues/fees. For there to be proposed parking changes in the month of September when

students are just getting back to school and the city of Greenville is getting full again there has to be some rethinking done.

I say that the proposed parking changes should not be implemented until January 2020. It will be a new year, new start, and it seems ideal for something as big as how to fix the parking within the town with all of the construction that is going on throughout the city. People will not have as much as a hard time to adjust with the parking changes, even though the parking changes is just another way to make money off of everybody that drives through uptown in Greenville. For me it is too early to say how these parking changes will affect the city but I would say after a few months we will be able to truly see the impact of the decisions. made by those who help run the town.

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## HOROSCOPES


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**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.
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**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.
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**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.
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**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.
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**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.
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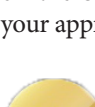
**Capricorn** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) -- Today is a 9 -- Handle financial matters. Coordinate tasks with your partner. Contribute your share to a joint venture. Adapt to unexpected circumstances. Together, you can work wonders.
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**Gemini** (May 21-June 20) -- 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.
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**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.
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**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.
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**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.
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**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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**Pisces** (Feb. 19-March 20) -- Today is a 9 -- The physical pace picks up. Stay in the action to make your deadlines and goals. Avoid risky business. Slow around sharp objects. Rest and recharge.

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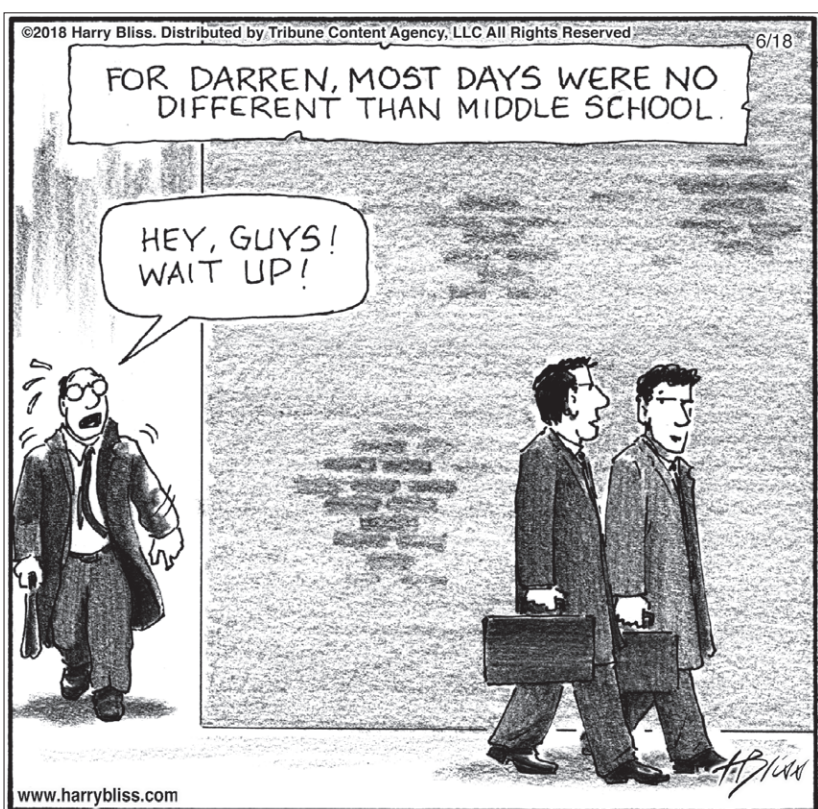
WE'RE NO LONGER GOING BACK IN TIME! HOW'D YOU FIX YOUR RE-DO DEVICE?

WHEN I WENT BACK IN TIME, I DESTROYED THE RE-DO DEVICE THAT I USED TO GO BACK IN TIME TO DESTROY IT!

WON'T THAT CREATE AN UNSTABLE TIME LOOP?

YOU'RE RIGHT! I NEED TO BUILD A RE-DO DEVICE ...

### BLISS



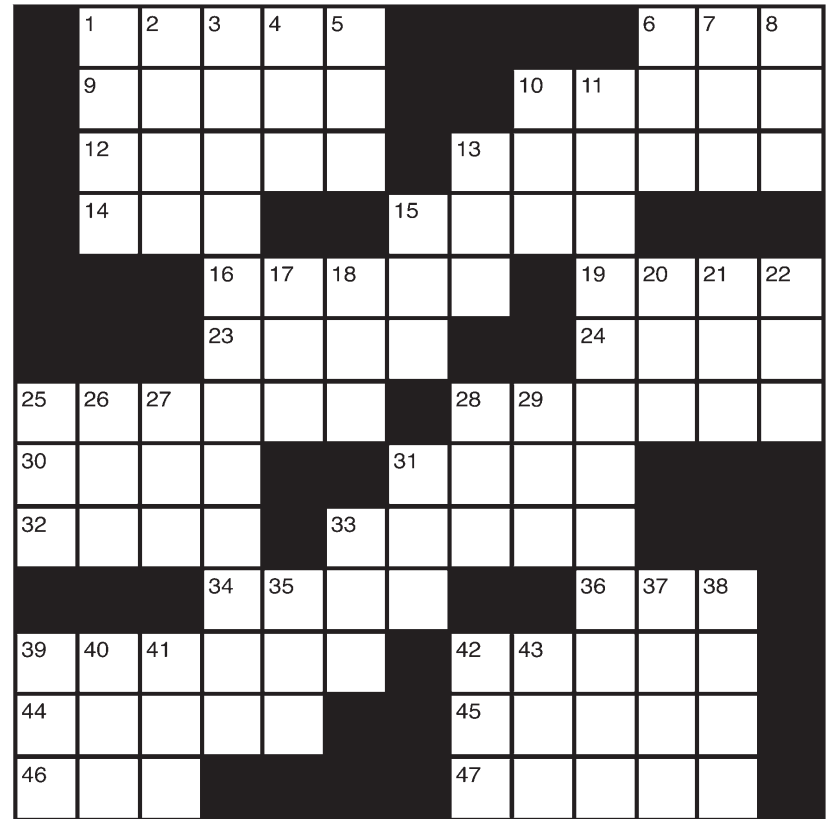
FOR DARREN, MOST DAYS WERE NO DIFFERENT THAN MIDDLE SCHOOL.

HEY, GUYS! WAIT UP!

## CROSSWORD

# THE TV CROSSWORD

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- 6 "How I \_\_\_ Your Mother"
- 9 Refrigerator brand
- 10 Native New Zealander
- 12 Neighbor of Saudi Arabia
- 13 "Candid \_\_\_"
- 14 180° from NNE
- 15 Actor Danza
- 16 "Broken \_\_\_"; movie for John Travolta and Christian Slater
- 19 Oldest of the three boys on "Home Improvement"
- 23 "The A-\_\_\_"
- 24 Pest-killing spray
- 25 Actress Ally
- 28 Sitcom set at a Boston bar
- 30 "...and a partridge in a \_\_\_ tree."
- 31 Soleil \_\_\_ Frye
- 32 Carney and Linkletter
- 33 Actress \_\_\_ Hunt
- 34 "\_\_\_ Mom"; reality series
- 36 Ending for Japan or Canton
- 39 Anna \_\_\_ Smith
- 42 Farr of "M\*A\*S\*H"
- 44 "The \_\_\_ and the Ecstasy"

- 45 \_\_\_ fours; crawling
- 46 When doubled, Yogi's little buddy
- 47 Richard Gere movie set in WWII

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- 2 Singer and actor Ed \_\_\_
- 3 Jack McCoy's portrayal on "Law & Order"
- 4 "\_\_\_ Tree Hill"
- 5 Actress Fabray, to friends
- 6 One of the Three Stooges
- 7 Goof up
- 8 Tamera Mowry's twin
- 10 "Last \_\_\_ Standing"
- 11 Star of "Judging Amy"
- 13 "...the cat and the fiddle, the \_\_\_ jumped over the moon..."
- 15 Bergeron of "Dancing with the Stars"
- 17 "The \_\_\_ Skelton Hour"
- 18 Actor Liotta
- 20 "Norma \_\_\_"; Sally Field movie
- 21 "Up in the \_\_\_"; George Clooney film
- 22 Letters after a dentist's name
- 25 Jacuzzi
- 26 "Death Becomes \_\_\_"; movie for Meryl Streep
- 27 "\_\_\_ Pray Love"; Julia Roberts film
- 28 Denver's state: abbr.
- 29 Garden tool
- 31 "Two and a Half \_\_\_"
- 33 "\_\_\_ Haw"
- 35 Actor Ron \_\_\_ of TV's "Tarzan"
- 37 "\_\_\_ Stalkings"; Rob Estes series
- 38 Snakelike fishes
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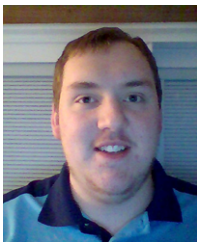
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Members of the East Carolina University football team break the huddle during Saturday's season opening 34-6 loss against North Carolina State University in Raleigh, North Carolina.

## Run game crucial for ECU

» ANALYSIS



Daniel Shepard  
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Going into Saturday's matchup against North Carolina State University, Pirate head coach Mike Houston knew how vital it would be to get East Carolina University's running game going.

"I do think it's very important for us to be balanced," Houston said in the days leading up to the game. "In order for us to be able to throw the ball effectively, we're going to need to be able to run the ball effectively."

Running the football is something the Pirates struggled with last season under Scottie Montgomery as they totaled 1,556 yards on the ground as a team, with quarterback Holton Ahlers leading the way with 592 yards. Anthony Scott racked up over 400 yards in 2018, but is no longer with the team after graduating, leaving the running duties to junior Darius Pinnix Jr. and senior Hussein Howe.

Combined, that duo logged an average of 3.6 yards per carry on their 126 attempts last season, hardly an inspiring number for the new coaching staff to work with this season.

On Saturday, fans received their first taste of Pirate football in the Houston-era. A lackluster



Sophomore quarterback Holton Ahlers looks to complete a pass during Saturday's season opener.

showing on both sides of the ball resulted in a 34-6 loss at the hands of the Wolfpack and provided multiple learning points for ECU's program.

Perhaps most importantly, it showed just how important running the football will be this season, especially as opposing defenses begin figuring Ahlers' tendencies under center. A strong first quarter saw the Pirates possess the football for nine of the 15 minutes and rack up 115 yards of total offense (86 passing yards, 29 rushing yards).

Solid runs by Pinnix allowed Ahlers to be perfect through the air on the Pirates' opening possession, before a fumble in the endzone by the sophomore quarterback ended a 12-play drive.

"That was a big play in the ballgame cause that completely changed the outlook of the first half," Houston said in a press conference after the game. "If you go into the end of the first half tied or ahead, then obviously that's a completely different mindset coming out of the tunnel in the second half. So we've got to take step one,

which is where we are and we've got to start getting better."

Following that opening drive turnover, NC State seemed determined to keep the Pirates out of their territory.

"Last year we played ECU in three down (three linemen on the line of scrimmage) the entire game," Wolfpack head coach Dave Doeren said. "When (co-defensive coordinator) Tony Gibson got here, we are kind of bridging the gap from third down to being able to play it on first and second. We feel like it gives us a lot more answers for RPO football."

Obviously, with a mobile quarterback in Ahlers, ECU loves the run-pass option on offense. After the first quarter, however, the Pirates were able to generate very little production, either through the air or on the ground.

Houston was quick to assure the media he was not hanging the loss squarely on Ahlers' shoulders, but rather on the team as a whole. Obviously, that beings with the offensive line's ability to open holes for the running backs.

ECU will open its home schedule at Dowdy-Ficklen Stadium on Saturday against Gardner-Webb University at 6 p.m.

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## New features to greet fans at Dowdy-Ficklen

Staff Report  
TEC STAFF

Fans of the East Carolina University football team will get to experience several new enhancements that will be made available to the public for the six home games that the Pirates will be playing this season at Dowdy-Ficklen Stadium.

In a press release sent out by ECU Athletics, ECU has made many changes that will enhance fan experience inside Dowdy-Ficklen Stadium.

"The Kids Zone will be in the grass area right behind Sections 10-11 with Gate 4 being the nearest gate. The kids zone will contain inflatables, interactive games, corn-hole, giveaways, three-hole mini golf, face painter, balloon artist, giant Connect Four and Jenga among other games, the Kids Zone will be open two hours prior to kickoff," the press release said.

In addition to the games, the area will have a device charging station



Fans enter the newly finished Townebank Tower at Dowdy-Ficklen stadium ahead of ECU's first home game on Sept. 7.

and a photo zone where kids can try on uniforms and take pictures in PeeDee and ECU player cutouts.

Simply Natural Creamery Ice Cream, Smash Waffle and Kona Ice food trucks will be located nearby as well. Food and beverage prices will be lower this year for several items

offered throughout the stadium. Fans can now buy a soda, hot dog and popcorn for just \$8 total.

For the first time, fans 21 and older can purchase alcohol at the stadium, and will be given a wristband signifying they are of age. Throughout the eight stand-alone vendors in

Dowdy, a wristband and a valid ID will be needed to purchase alcohol.

Pirate Walk is another feature that fans will be able to enjoy. The ECU marching band and members of the spirit squad will lead head coach Mike Houston and students athletes down the walkway leading

to TowneBank Tower.

According to the press release, "The group will make their way in front of historic Scales Field House toward the Ward Sports Medicine Building before concluding at the Pirate Statue between the entrance to Ward Sports Medicine Building and Gate 4." The walk will begin two hours and 30 minutes before kickoff.

The Athletic Department has also added the Pirate Lights App, a new feature to encourage fan participation and connection during football games. The app allows fans to play trivia against fellow stadium-goers, synchronize phone lights into certain parts of the game, and participate in a selfie cam that is integrated into the video board.

The entire list of new additions is available on ecupirates.com.

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## ECU volleyball opens season with two convincing wins

Anna Felber  
TEC STAFF

ECU was supposed to open up their season against George Mason University, Providence College and the University of Evansville, but the teams were not able to make it to Puerto Rico as the tournament was cancelled due to Hurricane Dorian. However, the Patriots, Friars and Pirates met up at George Mason University in Fairfax, VA. in order to have a start to their 2019 season.

To begin their weekend, ECU took on George Mason. The Patriots put on a good fight against the Pirates as each set was a close fought battle. The Pirates ended up sweeping them 3-0 but the sets were tight, 26-24, 25-22 and 25-23.

"It was an unusual set up having to play back-to-back matches," head coach Julie Torbett said. "We were able to sweep the first match and have time to prepare for Providence. We definitely remembered to (the Friars) two years ago and wanted to right that wrong."

Notably, junior right side hitter Bri Wood took charge in the sweep against Mason as she would have 16 kills on 31 attempts

with only one error. Junior outside hitter Sydney Kleinman would also have an impact as she produced 11 kills, seven digs and four aces.

"I feel like our pins did an amazing job terminating balls and our hitting percentage was very high," Torbett stated. "Bri and Sydney (Kleinman) are hitting and passing all six rotations so it was great to see minimal errors from them. Our middles did a good job and hit for a high percentage, but we didn't find them enough."

Junior setter Shelby Martin received the first double-double of the season as she had 28 assists and 13 digs. To add to her stats, she also took with her two aces of her own.

As a team, the Pirates had 46 kills and only 10 errors on 119 attempts. This allotted for them to have a .303 hitting percentage. The Patriots on the other hand had 46 kills as well and took control in digs as they would have 55 to ECU's 43.

Immediately following their head-to-head with the Patriots, the Pirates went to take on Providence. This match was a true battle between the two teams as the Pirates would go to win three



Junior Bri Wood spikes the ball against an AAC opponent in Minges.

sets to two. The sets were tight and hard fought (25-21, 23-25, 25-16, 18-25, 15-9). The Pirates will continue their season next weekend by participating in the UNF Invitational.

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