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Dowdy Student Stores, located in the Main Campus Student Center, will open in the fall with changes to accommodate social distancing.

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ECU Transit experiences route cuts

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Several changes have been implemented for East Carolina University's fall 2020 semester due to COVID-19 within the parking and transit services in an effort to secure safety and convenience to students.

ECU Transit Director Wood Davidson said one significant change to the transit services will be the elimination of the Pirate Express late night service, which usually transports students to and from the Uptown area on the weekends.

Davidson said there has been multiple conversations in an effort to understand how bus routes will operate due to reduced capacity limits and several stops some of the bus routes have. He said purple and brown routes usually have several stops and he hopes to have an extra bus available in case the bus is full before the route is over.

"Another concession that we're making is, buses that are coming from off-campus apartments, if they have capacity available, that our operators are going to talk back and forth," Davidson said.

The main concern ECU Transit has now is the unknown peak times the fall semester will bring, according to Davidson. He said class schedules are continuously changing and it is hard to know when buses will be needed the most until after the first week of school.

Davidson said the NextBus phone application students use to track bus routes and stop times will be able to tell the user whether or not the bus is occupied under low, medium or high capacity.

Barriers will be put in place around the drivers and they will have what they need to clean their space after every shift, according to Davidson. He said the entire bus will be cleaned after every shift.

"A bus that goes out and comes back here to the garage will be cleaned and sanitized before it's used again," Davidson said. "That's what we do for our buses and our Safe Ride vehicles."

Davidson said masks will be required while on board and hand sanitizer stations will be provided on each of the buses. He said seats will be marked for appropriate social distancing and one door will be used for the exit and the other for the entrance.

ECU Safe Ride will look more like an Uber service, according to Davidson. He said group rides will be limited, capacity will be reduced, vehicles will be sanitized

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Dowdy, Joyner plan for Pirates

ECU resources prepared for students' return in August

George Martin
TEC STAFF

Dowdy Student Stores will operate normally in the fall with social distancing and an initiative to incentivize online ordering of products, while Joyner Library will offer online materials that will help students from home.

Bryan Tuten, the director of Dowdy Student Stores, said both the Main Campus student store as well as the student store on the Health Sciences Campus will both be open in the fall, but with restricted hours.

Bryan Tuten

Online purchases are encouraged by Tuten so social distancing may be maintained within the stores. Social distancing allows for students to stay out of close contact with each other. Close contact is defined by the university as being within six feet of

someone else for 15 minutes or more.

"We plan to ship books if requested and provide pickup in the student center, but outside the store to help reduce the number of people in the store," Tuten said.

Dowdy Student Stores plan to have a promotion for free shipping on any online orders greater than \$100 until Aug. 1, Tuten said. These online orders include textbooks or computers.

Tuten said Dowdy Student Stores has provided shipping on orders since mid-March, after the university was shut down due to the coronavirus.

"We have and are willing to work with customers to meet their needs through local delivery or shipping," Tuten said.

William Thomas, the assistant director for collections and scholarly communication at Joyner Library, said he hopes students will search the library's catalogue and e-book portal in order to find resources.

Joyner Library is able to offer

some required textbooks for classes for free through its website. Overall, Joyner currently offers 176 books which are required by classes.

"Where we can purchase books that are required readings we do, we can't always do that, it depends on the publisher, sometimes they'll sell to the library (and) sometimes they won't," Thomas said.

Joyner Library partners with the bookstore to find which required texts they should search for in order to purchase, Thomas said. Certain major publishers, like Pearson or Cengage, do not sell to libraries, so Joyner is unable to provide textbooks from these companies.

Thomas said the library is unable to scan books for public consumption

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SAB alters fall plans

Activities board puts safety first for events

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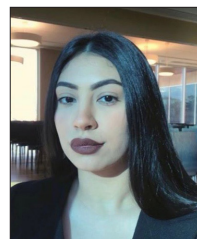
As the fall semester approaches, the Student Activities Board (SAB) will continue to make plans for its events for the year, and will figure out if it will be able to host face-to-face events or continue with virtual programs.

Lilah El-Halabi, an incoming junior computer science major who serves as the SAB President, said the SAB has continued to have virtual events for the time being, which are hosted on its social media accounts. She said these events include online trivia nights and Bingo.

El-Halabi said the SAB will monitor the COVID-19 situation throughout the fall semester and decide if it wants to host in-person events, and figure out how it can host these events safely.

"It kind of depends on if we (SAB) can execute an event safely, or if we can have bigger groups of people together. We'll definitely be hosting safe events on

campus. That could kind of range from outdoor movies that are a drive-in theater or our make your own events where you can pick things up and do it on your own at home. Whatever we're able to do, we will definitely do," El-Halabi said.



Lilah El-Halabi

The SAB hosted a few events during virtual freshmen orientation, which had its last round on June 6, El-Halabi said. These events included a trivia night where freshmen were able to join and play through their phones and laptops, as well as an online caricature, which was done over Zoom. She said the SAB had a magician who performed over YouTube Live.

The SAB's virtual events have seen a decent amount of participation, El-Halabi said. She said some events can see around 20 to 30 participants, but some may see less.

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Pirate Baseball team dogpiles after 2019 NCAA Regional finale against Campbell University Camels.

ECU hits rewind

Brendan Cavazos
TEC STAFF

East Carolina University Athletics has continued to find ways to keep Pirate fans entertained during the absence of sports, including ECU Classic Rewind, which replays past games for fans to enjoy.

Last Wednesday, ECU Classic Rewind showed the Pirate baseball team finding

victory in the final of the 2019 Greenville Regional Championship game against the Campbell University Camels on July 6, 2019. The game was capped off with what ECU head baseball coach Cliff Godwin called a memorable dogpile to signify the importance of winning this game.

"So many moments: Brickhouse's jack, Turner Brown's play," Godwin said via ECU

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ONLINE

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BRIEFS

Dean of Students to host informational event

Today, East Carolina University will celebrate Dean of Students Day with an online event from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. The event will consist of informational sessions from the offices under the umbrella of the Dean of Students. The event will kick-off with the Dean of Student's at 10 a.m. and will be followed by Student Health at 11 a.m. More information and a link to the event can be found on the Dean of Student's Twitter.

ECU to host third summer Cupola Conversation

Thursday, East Carolina University will host the third summer virtual Cupola Conversation at 4 p.m. The Cupola Conversation is entitled Driving Out Darkness: Students Empowering Students and will include student representatives from multiple campus affiliates. More information can be found on ECU Dean of Student's Twitter page.

Second summer nearing withdrawal deadline

Friday, East Carolina University's second summer session withdrawal period ends at 5 p.m. It is the last day for undergraduate and graduate students to withdraw from term-length courses or withdraw from classes without grades. More information about this deadline can be found on ECU's website.

CORRECTIONS & CLARIFICATIONS

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The Rawl Building, located on East Carolina University's Main Campus, houses many face-to-face classes, including many in the English department.

Instructors prepare for fall 2020

Professors reflect on distance education versus face-to-face classes

Cayla Menges
TEC STAFF

East Carolina University instructors will continue to navigate the changes brought to the fall 2020 semester due to COVID-19 as some instructors transition to hybrid-style courses.

English teaching instructor Kimberly Thompson said she is ready for the challenge the fall semester will bring. She said she has been assigned face-to-face English courses for both Block A and Block B but plans to integrate online components to her curriculum.

In the spring 2020 semester, Thompson said she spent a lot of her time modifying assignments and creating videos with a screen capture device. She said she wanted to make sure her materials, assignments and videos were accessible regardless of the device a student had access to.

"I know not all students have high speed internet, not all students have access to computers, and at that moment in time I just wanted to ensure that everyone was going to be successful," Thompson said.

The transition to a hybrid course comes with the challenge of having to learn to navigate new technologies, according to Thompson. She said she is receptive to feedback from students to create the best environment to learn and will ask students what they want to do in the class.

Thompson said, as a former student herself, she knows virtual instruction can be difficult and she wants students to know they can be successful online with the right discipline. She said online work can tend to be overlooked and due dates can slip away.

As an instructor, Thompson said she tries to be open and flexible with students on assignment due dates and to provide potential extensions.



Kimberly Thompson

Everyone within the English Department worked together to find a path forward, according to Thompson. She said the professors have decided hybrid courses will have dominant face-to-face instruction and a slight online portion.

Thompson said she has decided on face-to-face instruction for personal reasons. She said she thinks teachers are helpers for students who need mentors too.

"I'm ready for the challenge of teaching this

semester. I'm excited about it because I like being in the classroom. As an educator, I feel very called to teach," Thompson said.

Associate Professor in the School of Communication Brian Massey said the skills acquisition courses he teaches rely on face-to-face instruction to help students excel. He said he is nervous for the delivery of these courses through hybrid instruction.

Massey said he has worked for several weeks now to adjust the course materials and delivery to suit both face-to-face instruction and virtual components. He said larger lecture courses flow smoother online but that COMM 2500 Media Writing and Reporting, a course he teaches, relies on communication through instructor and student.

How to turn a course COVID-19-friendly is the task at hand, according to Massey.

"At some points I send students out into the field to gather their own information and write their own stories but now with COVID, how do I do my classroom component? Normally, I would sit next to you (student) and go through your writing as you're doing it. I can't do that now," Massey said.

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FULL STORY



What you Need to Know to PARK on Campus.

RETURNING STUDENT INFORMATION

Permits from 2019-2020 bought by currently enrolled students are valid until at least September 1, 2020.

Returning students with a 2019-20 permit, will continue to use their 2019-20 permit until new permits go on sale.

Commuter students with a resident permit from last year must park in commuter lots beginning August 1, 2020.

All currently enrolled 2019-2020 permit holders will be emailed information about purchasing a 2020-21 permit.

Students will purchase their 2020-21 permit **ONLINE** through **Pirate Port**.

There is no rate increase for 2020-21.

NEW STUDENT INFORMATION

2020-21 ECU Parking Permits go on sale July 16 for students who do not currently have a permit.

All orders will be placed **ONLINE** through **Pirate Port**. Permits will be mailed to the address on the order/renewal.

GENERAL INFORMATION

There will be no on-site purchasing at the parking office until further notice.

Keep in mind that parking permits are required.

The Parking Garage will be free, as space is available, until at least August 1, 2020.



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due to copyright laws, but they are able to scan selections from books which are required by professors.

"Say there's a book that has 20 chapters and the professor really needs all the students to read chapter one, well that's probably fair use so we can probably scan chapter one and make that available," Thomas said.

The library will be open in the fall while following university guidelines, which limit the number of people allowed in the building at any time as well as signage which will promote social distancing. There will also be plexiglass barriers at service desks to help stop the spread of the virus.

In the spring, after classes had been moved online, Joyner Library began to offer a shipping service of print books to students who needed them. Once these books are returned, Thomas said they are placed under a quarantine so if the virus was present, it will not be spread.

"We plan to continue offering it (shipping service) to any student, at least for

the first part of the fall semester, and that we expect to reevaluate it as the semester proceeds," Thomas said

Students will still be allowed to check-out books from the library once it reopens, Thomas said. Self-checkout machines which use ECU OneCards have been added so face-to-face interaction will be limited.

Jackson Donald, a sophomore political science major, said online resources have never been his go-to due to having unreliable WiFi connections in his apartment.

"A lot of these online resources just take too long to load if I'm not on the university's WiFi, so it makes it frustrating and difficult to try and use them for my classes," Donald said.

Donald said it's important the university keeps computer labs open for use in the fall so students who don't have easy access to WiFi have a way to keep up with classes.

Updates on how ECU is handling the coronavirus can be found on the university's coronavirus updates webpage.

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and additional vehicles will be provided.

Junior communication major Gerald Huffman lives at Sunchase apartment complex and uses the bus frequently. He said he has worn a mask in public since March and the notion to wear a mask on the bus will be a good thing.

"ECU does do a really good job with making sure everyone's, like, taken care of correctly," Huffman said. "I feel like they (ECU) will take the proper precautions."

Huffman said he's used to riding the bus 10 to 15 minutes before class, so the time changes that may come with reduced capacity and limitations might change his normal timeline and routine.

Parking and Transportation Director Deb Garfi said registration for parking permits will look different than last year. New students who have never obtained a parking permit before are able to register on July 16 and returning students will be able to use their previous parking permit until September.

"We just wanted to get the new people permits and then we'll catch up with the

returning students that had permits before in September," Garfi said.

Parking permits for returning students, who've obtained a parking permit before, are set to go on sale Sept. 8, according to Garfi. She said students will receive an email which will inform them of their options to renew when it's available.

Garfi said the parking garage's gates are currently up and anyone can use the garage for free, but the gates are set to go down for operation on Aug. 1. She said it will remain \$1 per hour and students still have the option to purchase evening passes.

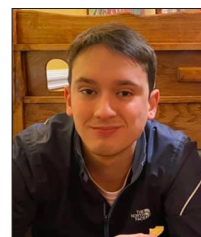
"We put things out on Twitter and if people email us or call our number we have someone answering the phones and we are someone answering the parking email account all the time and answering questions," Garfi said.

Garfi said if individuals have any questions, they can visit the Parking and Transportation website or contact the department directly at (252) 328-6294.

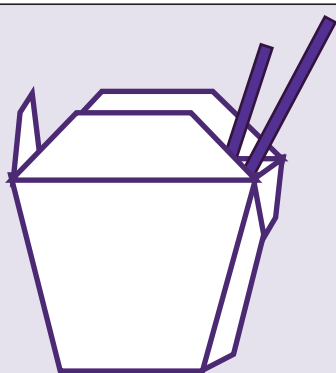
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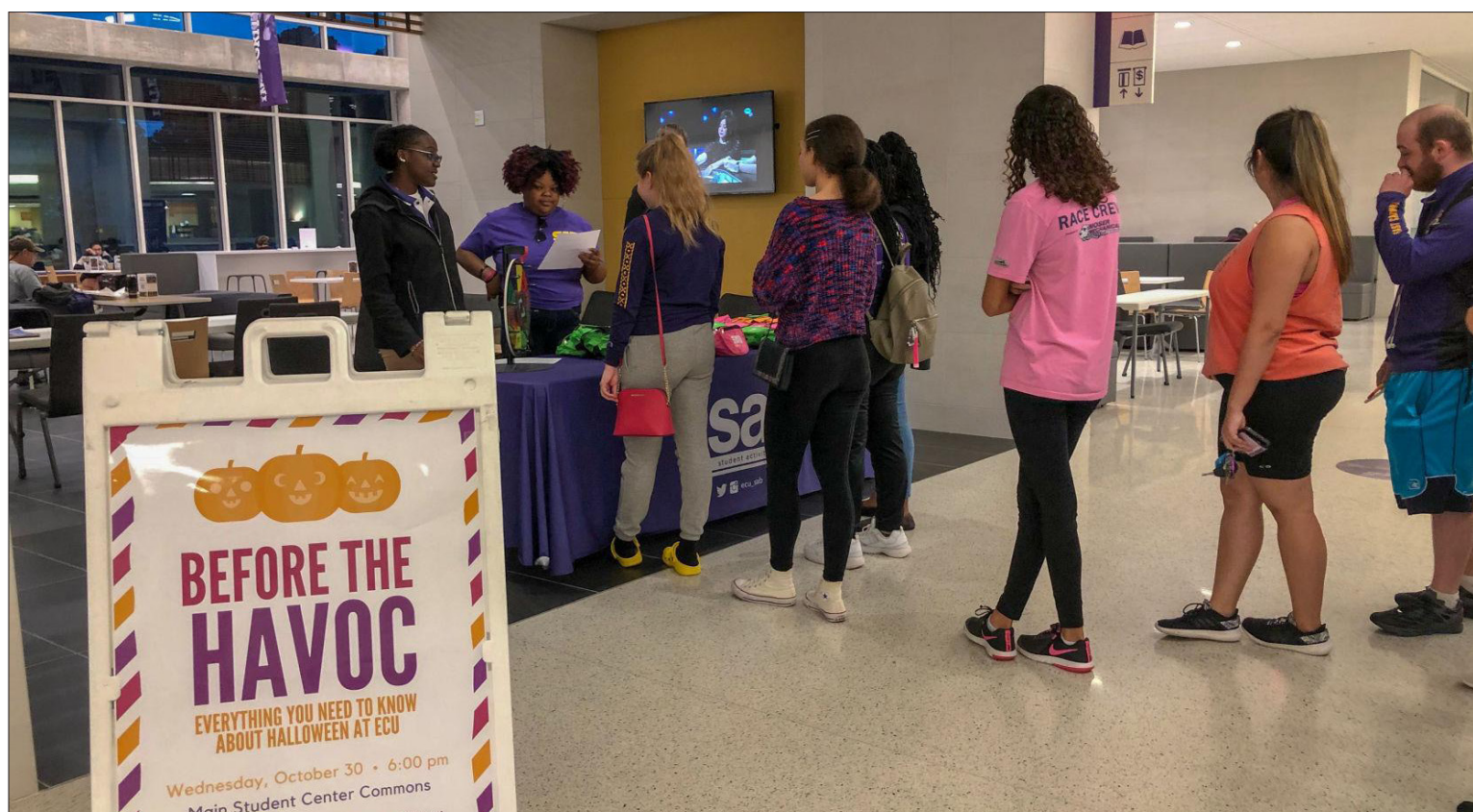
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Students wait in line at the Main Campus Student Center to speak with Student Activity Board members at their "Before the Havoc" event last October. AHREN RAU | THE EAST CAROLINIAN

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"I want to say that our events have been well attended for the virtual program. It's really hard to justify the same numbers we would be getting with face-to-face interaction versus virtual interaction. I think a lot of schools are still struggling with the idea of virtual programming, and I'm lucky to see even five people join sometimes," El-Halabi said.

Regardless of the turnout, El-Halabi said SAB has gotten a lot of positive feedback from students and faculty members who have participated in online events. She said she believes these events help give people something to do during the pandemic.

El-Halabi said the SAB's first goal for its fall events, whether held virtually or face-to-face, is the safety of students and faculty members who participate. She said the organization wants its participants to enjoy themselves.

"Honestly, (the goal) is just for people to have a good time. I know that there are a lot of things that are changing next year, there's a lot of things still up in the air. So, it's just another opportunity for you to get your mind off things," El-Halabi said. "The normal things we do on campus, we want to figure out how we can do that off campus and virtually."

El-Halabi said she believes students and faculty members should attend SAB's events to help them feel closer with the Pirate community, and for freshmen, to give them a feel of how campus life is at ECU.

Miriam Harb, junior computer science major, serves as the chairperson for the SAB's Features Committee, a new committee SAB recently added.

"The whole point of Features is just to bring culture and diversity to campus and just be more inclusive through an educational platform as well as showing films," Harb said.

SAB plans to continue to host film events, which it usually hosts every week in Hendrix Theater, Harb said, but due to social distancing, the films will be held every other week either online or as a drive-in theater event.

Harb said the drive-in theater event would allow SAB to host face-to-face events, without having a lot of people together in one area and having to kick people out due to capacity limits.

"I've always wanted to do a drive-in theater, so I thought it would be a cool idea to

enhance our previous events that we have done in the past. In the past we have done apartment bingo and grocery bingo. Those will be hopefully done through an Instagram Live, just because we don't want to have any students miss out on events due to capacity," Harb said.

Attending the SAB's online and in-person events can help students and faculty members keep their mind off things and have a good time, Harb said. She said she believes the SAB will be able to offer fun and educational events throughout the school year, and is looking forward to seeing what the Features committee will do.

"We (SAB) are bringing back the traditional events as well because we don't want to wipe those out because they are pretty popular. I would like to do more events that include culture and diversity, but as far as the pandemic, that's still in the process of planning," Harb said.

More information on the SAB and its events can be found on its Instagram and Twitter accounts or the organization's website.



Miriam Harb

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OUR VIEW

ECU offers resources for transfers

East Carolina University's Pirate Promise is a program which aims to simplify the transfer process and ensures enrollment for those transferring from any of the school's partner community colleges across the state. The program helps community college transfers make a smooth transition to ECU while also including perks such as purchasing an ECU OneCard and having access to campus resources such as Joyner Library, the Student Recreation Center and athletic events.

We, the editorial staff of The East Carolinian, believe that programs like Pirate Promise are an excellent way for the university to increase enrollment and open its doors to another demographic of students. Many students at four-year universities started their post-high school education at a community college for a number of reasons, whether it be affordability, family issues or poor performance in high school, amongst others. None of these should be a reason to keep a student from attending a four-year university.

In recent years, students are seemingly choosing the community college route after high school more often because it's much more affordable. Transfer students also have the time to develop new strengths such as study habits and management skills for when they arrive at ECU.

Students who attend a university that does not offer a similar program may have issues arise before having ever set foot on campus. ECU's willingness to work with students who may have chosen two years of community college over a freshman and sophomore year at East Carolina proves a willingness to adapt to a changing school of thought.

Community colleges are breeding grounds for prepared and determined college students. High school students don't always come to campus with the right kind of experiences and preparation that they could have received by attending a community college for just one semester or year.

Opening the door to community college students the way that ECU's Pirate Promise has done will create an easy avenue for students with four-year university-ready experiences and skill sets.



AMERICAN EXCEPTIONALISM

Positive effects of plant ownership

Benefits can include improved mental health and life lessons learned

Ranting with Ryan



Lydia Ryan
TEC COLUMNIST

Someone should have told me that I would randomly decide to acquire 30 plants in my mid-twenties and how amazing it would be for my mental health. I know that sounds a bit crazy, but let me explain.

At the beginning of this year, I was struggling with my mental health. I was continuing to regroup after the sudden end of a very emotionally draining relationship and found myself grappling to let go of a toxic friendship that was no longer benefiting either party. Combined with school, work, everyday stressors and anxiety, it wasn't an easy time.

I have always been the type of person that holds on to people even if they are no longer good for me and have always felt the need to pour a lot of myself into caring for others. This year, I woke up one day and decided I needed to transfer that energy to something else and stop relying on other people to fill that need to fix and care for something.

My first year at East Carolina University, I was given a succulent as a "dorm-warming" gift and I killed it. Somehow that didn't deter my odd, all-consuming need to buy plants that came over me one day. I put a lot of thought into it as well. I did the research and looked up

plants that didn't require a lot of maintenance.

Fast forward five months and I have about 30 plants of various sizes and varieties. Needless to say, it escalated quickly. I will admit that the stay-at-home order didn't help things. Plus I have an online shopping problem and yes, you can buy plants online.

I am happy to report that all of my plants are mostly alive. By mostly, I mean some of them have lost some leaves and had some bad days as I have navigated caring for a growing collection of plants that have different needs and requirements. I can honestly say that I feel like I have grown with them.

Having house plants is great for boosting oxygen levels in your house and many varieties of plants help keep your air clean. Not to mention they are very aesthetically pleasing, even if your sister glares at you when she sees a new plant on the shelf and says the house is turning into a jungle. House plants have also been known to help reduce anxiety and stress.

For me, there is a comfort in walking around my house and checking all of my plants on a regular basis. It definitely has given me something to do while being inside more. Checking for dead leaves, making sure that they don't need to be watered and just admiring their individual beauty.

Even in the short amount of time that I have had my plants, they have taught me several things about life and myself. One being

that I actually can keep the right plants alive and succulents aren't as easy as everyone says.

Life lesson number one, sometimes things just don't work how you want them. No matter how hard you try and how much you love something, sometimes it just isn't the right environment for something to grow. You can follow all of the instructions and take all of the outside advice and it will still die. It is a part of life and at some point, you have to accept that you can't save everything and move on.

The second lesson I will share is that you have to be patient and let the roots develop before you see the real growth. You can't always see the roots growing and with some it takes a really long time. You just have to be patient and trust the process and I know that it can be hard, but it is so worth it when you see that new healthy growth forming.

My plants have given me an outlet to pour myself into in a productive way that doesn't have me relying on unhealthy relationships. Growing them has helped me grow as a person. It has been challenging, fruitful and amazing. I have learned that some plants just don't like it at my house and that's okay.

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Cancel culture has become problematic

Williams' World



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We've all heard the phrase, "What happens on the internet, stays on the internet." This phrase was often used to warn us about being careful with what we say or do on the internet because one day it could be used against us. With

the rise of "cancel" or "call-out" culture on social media, you never know when your past mistakes will resurface and hinder you from achieving greater things in life.

If you are unfamiliar with "cancel culture" or what being "canceled" means, it's a boycott against a person, mostly celebrities or well-known figures, who have done or said something controversial or questionable in the past or present. Cancel culture happens mostly on social media and has affected the lives of many celebrities. But due to society's deep attachment to celebrities, some get away with their actions and still go on to have successful careers as if nothing happened.

As a society, we need to refrain from worshipping celebrities and putting them on a high pedestal compared to everyone else just because of their fame. Stop using the fact that "they were young" when the controversial action occurred and start holding them accountable for it. This attachment to celebrities has interfered with some people's morals of what's right and wrong.

Cancel culture has become so toxic on social media, there are some instances where people use cancel culture to humiliate others

"As a society, we need to refrain from worshipping celebrities and putting them on a high pedestal compared to everyone else just because of their fame."

to make them feel better about themselves in order for society to turn against the person being targeted. Social media often twists up words or information that could possibly be viewed as "problematic" to some people. But spreading false information about someone, and damaging someone's career for your own pleasure, could potentially have consequences such as being sued for defamation.

In other cases, cancel culture has done some "good" and highlighted a person's true character due to resurfaced evidence such as audio recording, videos or screenshots that prove them being "problematic." For example, Shane Dawson, a popular YouTuber and internet personality, has had videos recently demonetized due to resurfaced controversies.

Due to the Black Live Matter movement calling for an end to institutionalized racism and systematic oppression, a lot of racial or discriminatory actions from celebrities have resurfaced, which has caused a lot of them to lose partnerships with companies and even fans. In Dawson's case, past behaviors of his such as racist sketches that incorporated blackface and racist slurs have been brought back to light toward the end of June.

Although he uploaded an apology video

on his YouTube channel taking accountability of his past actions on June 26, another video resurfaced on the internet soon after of Dawson supposedly touching himself in a sexual manner to a poster of 11-year-old Willow Smith. After these incidents, Target announced to Insider on June 29 that it will remove Dawson's published books from its stores and YouTube indefinitely suspended monetization on all three of his channels a day later.

Did Dawson deserve the consequences of his actions? In my opinion, yes, because racism and pedophilia are morally wrong and should not be used for "comedic purposes." Of course, some of his fans defended him on his actions, despite knowing what he did was disturbing. But there should be a line that is drawn when the joke is blatantly unacceptable and is just pure ignorance.

This situation made me realize how quickly cancel culture could ruin someone's whole career due to old content on the internet. Cancel culture does have its purpose for good in most cases, but sometimes it's questionable if it's even effective.

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Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) — Today is a 7 — Reach out for a long-distance connection. Support a community cause with a persuasive case. Stay objective as you research potential solutions. Rise together.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) — Today is an 8 — Take your mind off long-term matters to focus on fun in the here and now. Enjoy the excellent company. Cook up something delicious together.

Gemini (May 21-June 20) — Today is a 7 — Imagine the perfect results. Finish up what you've begun. Build strong foundations by organizing and planning. Edit your persuasive argument carefully. Make your best case.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) — Today is a 7 — Carefully review family budgets and operating systems. Navigate disruption and change. Consult an expert when needed. Avoid controversy. Discover new ways to save.

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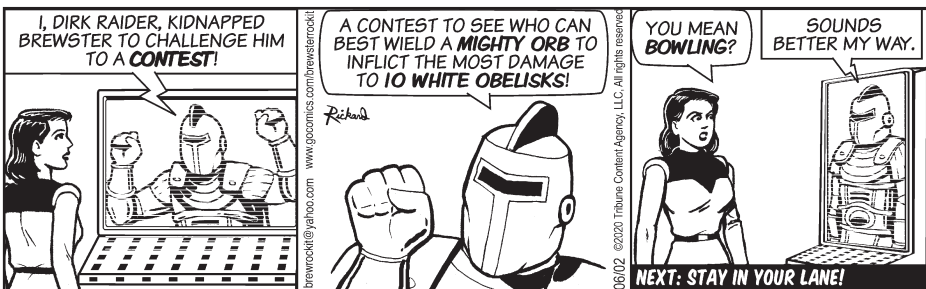
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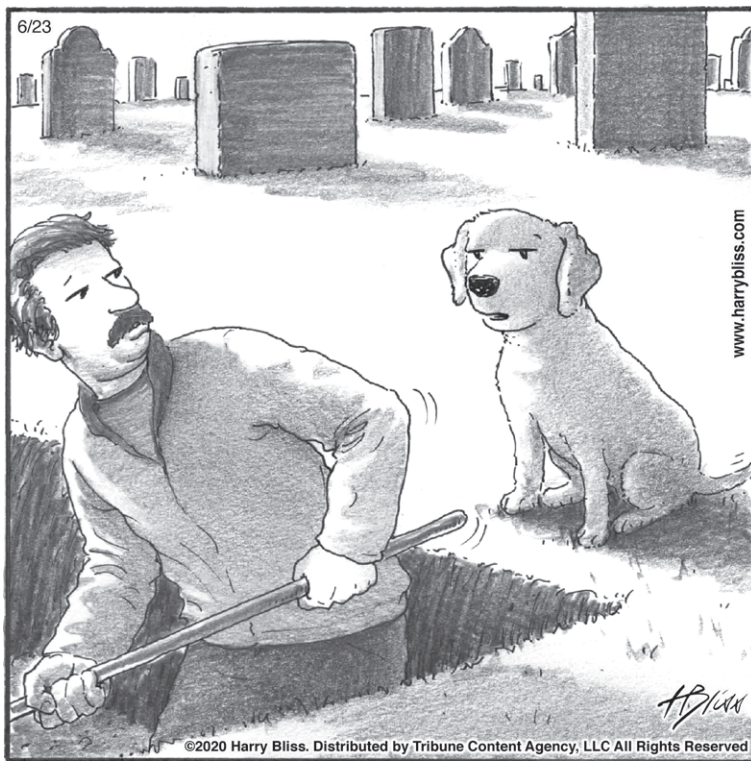
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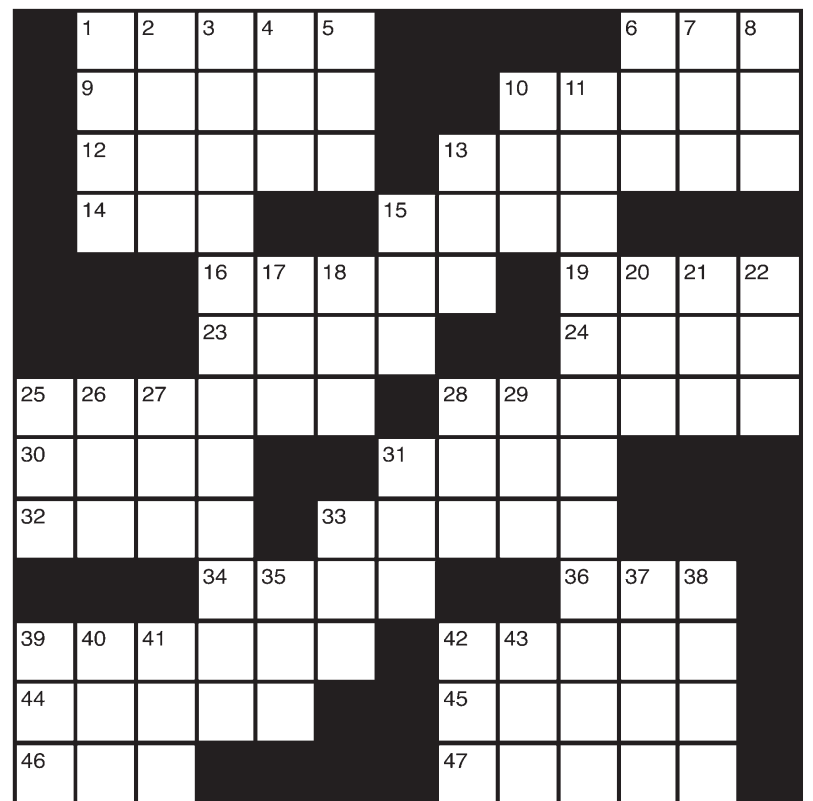


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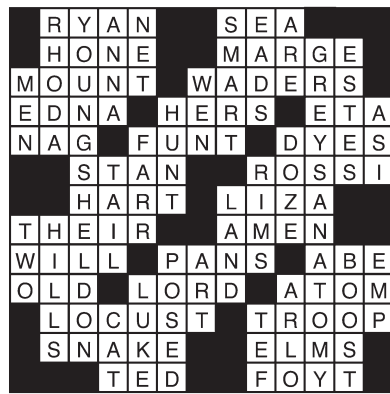
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- 1 Julie ___ of "Modern Family"
- 6 "The ___ Skelton Hour"
- 9 ___ Supplee of "My Name Is Earl"
- 10 ___ McGarrett; "Hawaii Five-0" role
- 12 "Who's Minding the ___?"; Jerry Lewis film
- 13 Minnie of "Speechless"
- 14 Disabled car's need
- 15 Injure
- 16 Steve or Woody
- 19 Mayberry boy
- 23 ___ Patrick Harris
- 24 Take care of, as a garden
- 25 "A ___ Man"; Patrick Wilson series
- 28 Greece's capital
- 30 Gabor and Mendes
- 31 "About ___"; series for David Walton
- 32 Camp shelter
- 33 "Requiem for a ___"; Ellen Burstyn movie
- 34 Leave out
- 36 Actor McBride
- 39 Actress Pam ___
- 42 Mr. ___; nearsighted cartoon fellow

DOWN

- 1 "Father Knows ___"
- 2 Last name on "American Housewife"
- 3 "___ a Millionaire"
- 4 ___-shattering; painfully loud
- 5 180 degrees from SSW
- 6 Gun the engine
- 7 "Last Man Standing" role
- 8 German article
- 10 ___ Lanka
- 11 Role on "NCIS"
- 13 Rather or Aykroyd
- 15 Alice's boss
- 17 Jonny ___ Miller
- 18 Can cover
- 20 "___-Wee's Big Adventure"; Paul Reubens film
- 21 Hostel
- 22 Bradley and Begley
- 25 "How to ___ Away with Murder"
- 26 "___ Got a Secret"
- 27 "The ___"; Robert De Niro baseball movie
- 28 Rebecca's husband on "Breaking Amish"
- 29 "Ode ___ Nightingale"
- 31 Mr. Linkletter
- 33 Spielberg or Scorsese: abbr.
- 35 "___ in Trees"
- 37 Brass instrument
- 38 Smidgen
- 39 "Brylcreem, a little ___'ll do ya..."
- 40 Tavern order
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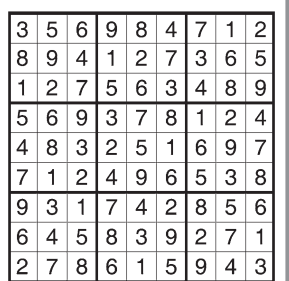
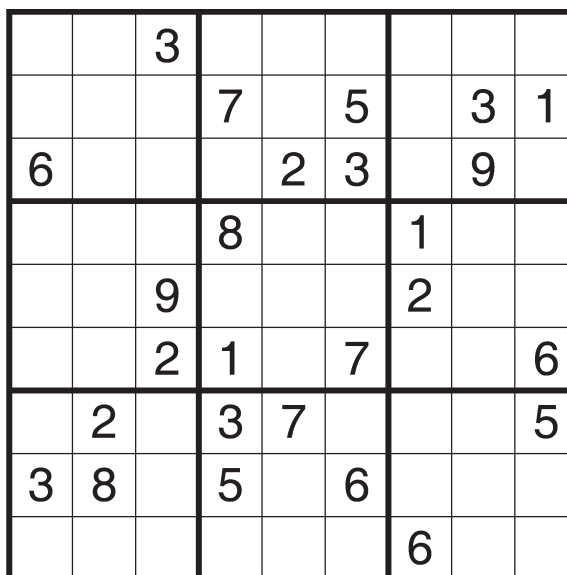
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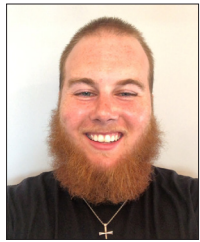
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» ANALYSIS

Triple option is ECU's kryptonite

Pirates will go 1-1 in weeks seven and eight against Navy and Tulsa



Dylan Woolard
TEC STAFF

In weeks seven and eight of the 2020 college football season, East Carolina University will host the United States Naval Academy (USNA) in a Saturday bout on Oct. 17 before a quick bye week and then a Friday night road matchup against the University of Tulsa on Oct. 30.

Home or on the road, lining up against the Navy Midshipmen has hardly ever fared well for the Pirates. ECU has never proven it can stop the triple option that the Midshipmen have run for a number of years. The two teams have met seven times all-time and the Midshipmen have dove, pulled and pitched their way to six wins over the Pirates. Over those seven contests, Navy has outscored the Pirates 348 to 186.

Even in the Pirates' lone win in 2011, it took a 372-yard and two touchdown performance from former Pirate quarterback Dominique Davis and the game was still decided by a missed field goal from the Midshipmen. Defending the triple option is about discipline, and even the proven Pirate football teams over the years have failed to defend it successfully in the past.

Last season's Pirate squad was embarrassed in a 42-10 loss on the road and by no means were they expected to win that game, but a 32 point loss isn't even respectable. Pirate defenders could be seen missing assignments left and right while Navy backs ran all over the field.

The Midshipmen will be without last year's starting quarterback Malcolm Perry, but plugging a new quarterback into a system that runs like a well-oiled machine should be no problem for Navy head coach Ken Niumatalola.



ECU quarterback sneaks into the end zone for a score during a previous contest against the Midshipmen.

Niumatalola has posted an overall record of 98-60 with a bowl record of 6-5 while serving as Navy's head coach and has even posted a pair of 11 win seasons in 2015 and 2019.

The Pirates' matchup with Navy this season will be another loss as the triple option will surely prove to be effective once more against the Pirates, but this year's Pirate offense will score far more than just ten points. ECU and Navy will be a close contest going into the fourth where Navy's offensive play style will eventually tire the Pirates out and give them the advantage late.

Following the loss to Navy, the Pirates will have a week off before hitting the road en route to Tulsa, Oklahoma. The bye week before the meeting with the Golden Hurricane could prove to be an interesting one, though. Because the Pirates are playing Marshall University during college football's week zero, they were granted special permission

from the NCAA to begin practicing a week before teams scheduled for week one.

The special permission may seem like a slight advantage to begin full practice during the COVID-19 pandemic-stricken off-season, but it comes with a caveat. Teams that are participating in week zero and starting earlier will have to forgo certain football activities during a week of their choice during the regular season. ECU could choose to take this particular week off and use it as a big-time rest week before the long haul to Tulsa.

Regardless of what happens with the bye week, the Pirates will go on the road and take on the Golden Hurricane. This is a series that has some history as it dates back to both teams' days in Conference USA. The Pirates lead the series 8-7, but have lost the last two matchups by three or more scores each, including last year's 49-24 loss in the season finale.

The Golden Hurricane will return last season's starting quarterback Zach Smith as well as last season's starting running back Shamari Brooks. Both are seniors and both recorded stellar numbers against the Pirates' last season. Brooks set the tone with over 200 yards rushing on just 16 attempts while Smith managed five touchdowns through the air.

Size seemed to be a visible issue in last season's matchup, as the Golden Hurricane just appeared bigger and stronger behind its offensive and defensive line groups when compared to the Pirates. It was a similar look and feel as when ECU head coach Mike Houston came to Greenville as the head coach of James Madison University and bullied the Pirates to a 34-14 victory in 2017.

With that in mind, size should become less and less of an issue the longer Houston remains at ECU. A little bigger and experienced this season, the Pirates will make the jump from the bottom-feeder position that Tulsa perpetually exists in and finally become the middle of the pack and above-average football team that ECU used to be.

The Pirates will take down the Golden Hurricane in a shootout due to the experience returning on offense for both teams. Two high-powered offenses that will get off the field quickly will be too much for defenses that are usually solid at best.

All in all, weeks seven and eight will be explosive and entertaining, but very dangerous and could turn out as two wins or two losses. It's no exact science, but football teams get better in the offseason and these two games will be fair tests which will highlight the areas of improvement for the Pirates, as Navy and Tulsa both are formidable foes with familiar faces on the field.

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REWIND continued from A1

Athletics' Twitter account. "There were just so many moments in that game."

The Pirates were on the brink of elimination as the first seeded team and host of the regional. Losing to fourth seeded Quinnipiac University 5-4 in the opening round forced the Pirates to play every game as an elimination game.

After stumbling against Quinnipiac, ECU found the bats and eliminated both second seeded North Carolina State University 9-2 and Quinnipiac 13-3. The only team remaining without a loss was Campbell University and the Pirates stepped up and scored 22 runs over the course of the final two games against Campbell. Final tallies of 10-3 gave Campbell it's first loss and 12-3 won the regional for the Pirates.

The final game opened up with the Pirates taking control early, scoring six runs in the first four innings. Recent MLB draft pick Alec Bursleson opened up the first scoring opportunity in the bottom of the first. Junior Bryant Packard ran in for the first score of the game following Bursleson's first hit at bat. The Pirates then went on a 5-0 scoring run through the bottom of the third.



Alec Bursleson

Junior pitcher Gavin Williams led ECU in holding the Camels scoreless during the first three innings, which put Campbell in a rough situation to start out. Williams left the pitcher's mound at the top of the fourth inning while the score was 5-1. He struck out two players and walked one, and gave ECU a solid lead to start the game.

Williams was replaced with sophomore infielder Ryder Giles who allowed the only other two runs of the game. He struck out three batters, but after only pitching for a short time, he allowed three hits and two scores for the Camels.



Jake Kuchman

Junior pitcher for the Pirates Jake Kuchman finished the game almost flawlessly. He allowed one hit and zero scores during his time on the mound, sealing the game for the Pirates.

To put the game away, ECU scored five runs in the bottom of the eighth inning. All it took was three outs from

Kuchman at the top of the ninth to officially seal the game. The team then celebrated with a dogpile after securing the win.

Campbell only scored three runs for the game, with one in the fourth and two in the fifth inning. While their opponent was held for multiple scoreless innings, the Pirates continued to score runs and pile onto the lead.

Former Campbell senior infielder Luis Gimenez scored one run during the top of the fourth and one during the top of the fifth. The only other Camel to score was senior outfielder A.J. Hrica, whose run came at the top of the fifth inning.

Pirates' former senior Turner Brown, senior Spencer Brickhouse, and Giles all put up two runs each for the game while several others had a run of their own. Brickhouse led the Pirates in RBI with four for the game.

Winning the Greenville Regional Championship launched the Pirates to a Super Regional matchup against the University of Louisville where they lost both games to the Cardinals.

The 2019 Pirate baseball team recorded an overall record of 47-18 and split a two game regular season series with Campbell before facing them. The Pirates lost 6-7 while on the road against the Camels and then won in another tight contest while hosting Campbell.

Rattling off four straight wins was something the 2019 team was accustomed to as they went on winning streaks of equal or greater length four times during the regular season.

ECU Athletics uses Classic Rewind for fans to continue to be fans in the absence of sports. Several replays of games for multiple sports are accessible on the ECU Pirates website.

"To be able to get Kuch back in the game, which he didn't pitch well against Quinnipiac, he gets three at bats," Godwin said via ECU Athletics. "Was able to take him out of the game and take Washer out of the game in front of a standing O. To get Volv, the fifth year senior to be able to close out the game and us dogpiling, I'm getting chill bumps as I talk about it."



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