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Fall has arrived, football and tailgating season is in full swing and we are rapidly approaching **Homecoming 2005: Purple Reign – Sharing the Treasures of East Carolina**. This year we will face the Golden Knights of the University of Central Florida on Saturday, October 29th. Homecoming weekend kicks-off on Friday, October 28th with the annual **Scholarship Golf Classic**, a lunch and campus tour, **Freeboot Friday**, and the **Outstanding Alumni Awards Ceremony**. Start game-day by attending the **Open House** at the Taylor-Slaughter Alumni Center and enjoy the Homecoming parade at 10:00 a.m. If you are hosting a private tailgate, register for the **Pirate Tailgate Contest** to claim the title as the Pirate Tailgate Champion and win some prizes for your next tailgate. There are also several reunions and campus colleges are hosting alumni events throughout the weekend, so read on and visit [Homecoming.PirateAlumni.com](http://Homecoming.PirateAlumni.com) for a complete list of Homecoming 2005 events and activities.

October also marks the start of our new online community, Pirate's Cove. Please visit the **Online Community section of [PirateAlumni.com](http://PirateAlumni.com)** and learn more about the online community and register to network with fellow Pirates online.

We hope to see you in October!

## Alumni Events

**Chancellor's Tour**

The Chancellor's Tour continues this October. Alumni in the Tidewater Virginia area and in New Bern will have an opportunity to meet Chancellor Steve Ballard and hear his vision for the future. These events take place on **October 11th in Virginia** and **October 12th in New Bern**.

## A Look Back

**First Homecoming Queen**

Homecoming was first celebrated on Founders Day at East Carolina in March of 1932. Homecoming continued to take place as a part of the Founders Day celebration in the spring for many years. In 1941 the first Homecoming Parade took place on March 18, 1941. There was then a four-year absence of homecoming events due to World War II. Homecoming reconvened in 1946. The first fall homecoming took place in November of 1947. On October 10, 1953, Mrs. Kitty Garringer Brinson '54, was named the first Homecoming Queen.

## Alumni In The Spotlight

**NY Metro Alumni Chapter**

The NY Metro Alumni Chapter's mission is to function as an extension of the Alumni Association to spread awareness of the university and connect alumni within the New York, New Jersey and







### Homecoming

#### **PURPLE REIGN...Celebrating the Treasures of East Carolina**

Celebrated each fall, Homecoming at ECU is a chance for the Pirate Nation to converge upon Greenville. The Alumni Association celebrates Homecoming with a scholarship golf tournament, the Outstanding Alumni Awards dinner, the ECTC/ECC Reunion Dinner and Dance, an open house breakfast at the Alumni Center during the Homecoming Parade, and a tailgate before the football game. For a schedule of events and more information, visit [Homecoming.PirateAlumni.com](http://Homecoming.PirateAlumni.com)

#### **ECU Alumni Scholarship Golf Classic**

Player and sponsorship opportunities are going fast for this year's Alumni Scholarship Classic. The tournament is set for Friday, October 28th at Ironwood and tees off at 9:30 a.m. For more information or registration, visit us at [Golf.PirateAlumni.com](http://Golf.PirateAlumni.com) or contact Doug Smith '00 at 252-328-1959. We are also looking for raffle donations. The Alumni Scholarship Golf Classic – a day on the links with fellow Pirates to benefit scholarships for ECU students!

#### **Outstanding Alumni Awards Ceremony**

The East Carolina Alumni Association's Outstanding Alumni Award recognizes alumni who show outstanding and uncommon achievement in their profession, civic affairs, and/or politics. Join us at this year's awards ceremony as we recognize four outstanding alumni:

- James "Jim" Cromartie, '66, innovative artist
- Dr. Deitra "Dee" Leonard Lowdermilk, '66, clinical professor
- Clay Walker, '89, senior vice president of the National Football League Players Incorporated (PLAYERS Inc.)
- Conwell S. Worthington II, '72, chairman of Cornerstone Entertainment International Inc.

The ceremony includes a reception, dinner, and presentation of the awards. The event will take place on Friday, October 28th at the Hilton Greenville. To register, click [here](#).

#### **Pirate Tailgate Contest**

Sign up today for the 2005 Alumni Tailgate Contest and make your bid to be named the Pirate Tailgate Champion. Each tailgate captain will receive a tailgate contest apron and the Champion will receive two tailgate chairs, a pirate grill cover, and the respect and admiration of the Pirate Nation! To register, visit [Homecoming.PirateAlumni.com](http://Homecoming.PirateAlumni.com) by October 21st.

Connecticut region. This group of volunteers has done this with commitment and persistence – providing a platform, on which alumni, recent graduates, and university friends can socialize, network, and provide service to the university and to each other.

The chapter hosted its first incoming freshmen sendoff picnic in late July and recently held their 3rd annual baseball game outing to Yankee Stadium. This month New York Metro alumni are invited to gather for the ECU vs. Memphis viewing party at Brother Jimmy's "The Bait Shack" located at 1644 3rd Avenue at the corner of 92nd Street. This event will feature eastern North Carolina barbecue and is sure to help our alumni in the North reconnect and reminisce of their days at East Carolina.

Resourcefulness and teamwork are their keys to planning successful events and the NY Metro chapter exemplifies this. Continue to look for great things from our East Carolina alumni in the New York Metro area. Thanks to Richard and all for all you do for ECU!

For more information on this group and their activities, please contact Richard Holt '96 at 856-912-2500, [rholt@nyc.rr.com](mailto:rholt@nyc.rr.com), or visit [ecuNYmetro.com](http://ecuNYmetro.com).

[Share Your Memories](#)

### Homecoming

Do you remember Homecoming? Did you participate in the parade or Homecoming week activities? If so, what was the theme of the float and

### Reunions

This Homecoming weekend will feature three alumni affinity group reunions. If you attended East Carolina during the ECC or ECTC years, are a member of the Black Alumni Chapter or were part of Campus Radio WWWS/WZMB/WECU, please visit [Reunions.PirateAlumni.com](http://Reunions.PirateAlumni.com) to register for your reunion.

### Society and College Homecoming Alumni Events

Individual school and college receptions will welcome back alumni throughout campus during Homecoming weekend. Currently the College of Business, Department of Chemistry, College of Education, School of Nursing, and Department of Physics. For the most up-to-date information, visit [Homecoming.PirateAlumni.com](http://Homecoming.PirateAlumni.com).

### Cutter & Buck Alumni Collection

Show your Pirate spirit and wear the latest clothing line offered exclusively for East Carolina Alumni and friends.

The East Carolina Alumni Association and University Book Exchange are pleased to offer a new line of clothing that gives our alumni the opportunity show their Pirate Spirit at home, work, or play. Cutter & Buck sportswear is authentic and true, pairing luxurious craftsmanship with technical expertise. The diversity and range of this line gives our alumni the flexibility of wearing high quality and attractive Pirate wear on the golf course, on casual Fridays in the office, or at a tailgate party outside of Dowdy-Ficklen Stadium. Please visit [www.Piratewear.com](http://www.Piratewear.com) for more information and to order your East Carolina Alumni Piratewear today.

### Hurricane Relief Efforts at ECU

On September 3rd the Alumni Association and the Pitt County Red Cross raised \$2,458 at the first Alumni Tailgate for victims of Hurricane Katrina. Our thanks go to everyone who contributed to this effort. There are still many ways that ECU is helping support hurricane relief efforts. For example, the School of Music will be holding a benefit concert in Uptown Greenville on Friday, October 7th at 7:30 p.m. at Mudslingers Coffee Co. For more information on this and other ECU efforts click [here](#).

### A Pirate's Life for Me!

Tune in to Pirate Radio 1250 and 930 AM or [www.PirateRadio1250.com](http://www.PirateRadio1250.com) on Saturdays at 10:00 a.m.\* for *A Pirate's Life for Me!* This half-hour radio program features interviews with East Carolina alumni. We'll talk about their time at East Carolina as well as what they are doing today and how they got there. Check out the alumni events section

what do you think of when you hear Homecoming? Share your memories by e-mailing us at [alumni@PirateAlumni.com](mailto:alumni@PirateAlumni.com). The first two people to send in their memories on East Carolina Homecoming will receive a Tailgate package to our sold out [Homecoming Alumni Tailgate](#) on October 29th, featuring eastern North Carolina barbecue from Parkers and live music.

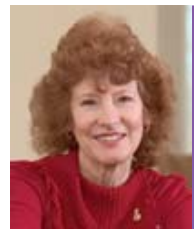
### Alumni Achievements

#### 2005 Outstanding Alumni

This year's Outstanding Alumni Award recipients will be recognized on Friday, October 28 th. We invite you to attend this special ceremony to celebrate the achievements of these four outstanding alumni. If you would like to register for this event, please visit our [Web site](#) or call 800-ECU-GRAD.



James Cromartie '66



Dr. Deitra "Dee" Lowdermilk '66



below to see our upcoming guests. October's guests include Charlie Martin '79, Clay Walker '89, Jeremy Wallace '91, Ronnie Barnes '75, and Earnest Byner '84.

\*Check our [events calendar](#) for exact times as shows may play earlier due to football game times.

### Freeboot Friday

The 2005 Freeboot Friday season wraps up in October on home football game weekends at Freeboot Friday from 5 – 8 p.m. Freeboot takes place at the corner of 6th and Evans in Uptown Greenville and features, live music, free food samplings from Uptown restaurants, and a children's area. Enjoy Freeboot and the sounds of [Parrotbeach](#) on October 7th and [The Clumsy Lovers](#) on October 28th.

### ALUMNI LOAN CONSOLIDATION PROGRAM

East Carolina alumni and their parents can reduce their monthly student loan repayments by consolidating their eligible federal student loans. Lock-in a fixed interest rate, lower your monthly payments by as much as 50%, simplify your repayments by making only one monthly payment, and choose from a variety of flexible repayment options. Call a dedicated ECU loan counselor toll-free at 866-924-4491 or visit <http://ecualum-studentloans.com> for more information.

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#### ***A Pirate's Life for Me!***

Featured guest: Charlie Martin '76, Parent's Council president

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Clay Walker '89



Conwell S. Worthington II,  
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*If you would like to nominate a fellow Pirate for the Outstanding, Distinguished Service or Honorary Alumni Award, please visit our [Web site](#) for more information and to download nomination forms. The 2006 alumni award recipients will be selected in January.*

*If you or a fellow Pirate have a special achievement you'd like to share with the Pirate Nation, please contact [alumni@PirateAlumni.com](mailto:alumni@PirateAlumni.com)*

**October 1**  
**Alumni Tailgate - SOLD OUT!**  
**Sponsored by The Honey Baked Ham Co. and Cafe**  
Greenville  
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**October 6**  
**Durham/Orange Chapter Meeting**  
Durham  
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**October 7**  
**Freeboot Friday featuring Parrotbeach**  
Greenville  
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**October 8**  
***A Pirate's Life for Me!***  
Featured guest: Clay Walker '89, senior vice president of NFL Players Incorporated (PLAYERS INC) and 2005 Outstanding Alumni Award recipient  
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**October 8**  
**Alumni Tailgate - SOLD OUT!**  
**Sponsored by Chico's**  
Greenville  
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**October 11**  
**Chancellor's Tour - Tidewater**  
Norfolk, Virginia  
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**October 12**  
**Chancellor's Tour**  
New Bern  
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**October 12**  
**Greater Greenville Chapter Meeting**  
Greenville  
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**October 15**  
***A Pirate's Life for Me!***  
Featured guest: Jeremy Wallace '91, television producer, actor and Emmy award winning reporter  
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**October 15**  
**Texan Pirates Tailgate - ECU vs. SMU**  
Dallas, Texas  
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**October 21**

**Live @ 5 / Pirate Social**

Memphis, Tennessee

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**October 22**

***A Pirate's Life for Me!***

Featured guest: Ronnie Barnes '75, VP of Medical Services and Head Trainer for the New York Giants

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**October 22**

**3rd Annual New York Metro Football Kick-off Party**

New York, New York

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**October 22**

**DC Metro Viewing Party - ECU vs. Memphis**

Washington, DC

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**October 22**

**Philly Metro Viewing Party - ECU vs. Memphis**

Cherry Hill, New Jersey

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**October 22**

**Atlanta Viewing Party - ECU vs. Memphis**

Alpharetta, Georgia

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**October 22**

**Central Florida Viewing Party - ECU vs. Memphis**

Winter Park, Florida

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**October 22**

**Jacksonville Florida Viewing Party - ECU vs. Memphis**

Jacksonville, Florida

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**October 22**

**Wilmington Viewing Party - ECU vs. Memphis**

Wilmington

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**October 22**

**Maryland Viewing Party - ECU vs. Memphis**

Fredrick, Maryland

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**October 25**

**DC Metro Homecoming Social**

Arlington, Virginia

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**October 28**

**ECU Alumni Scholarship Golf Classic**

Greenville

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**October 28  
Lunch and Campus Tour**

Greenville

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**October 29  
Freeboot Friday featuring *The Clumsy Lovers***

Greenville

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**October 29  
Outstanding Alumni Awards Ceremony**

Greenville

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**October 29  
Alumni Open House & Homecoming Parade  
Sponsored by ARAMARK**

Greenville

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**October 29  
*A Pirate's Life for Me!***

Featured guest: Earnest Byner '84, Former NFL player, ECU Sports Hall of Fame inductee and now Assistant Coach with Washington Redskins

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**October 29  
Pirate Tailgate Contest**

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**October 29  
Alumni Tailgate - SOLD OUT!**

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**October 29  
Black Alumni Reunion After-Hours Party**

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**October 29  
Campus Radio Reunion Dinner**

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**October 29  
ECTC/ECC Reunion Dinner Dance**

Greenville

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