ECSU's Founders Day Gala VII illuminates honorees

The March 8, 2014 annual Founders Day Gala brought approximately 300 people to the Kermit E White Graduate and Continuing Education Center in support of the university's seventh scholarship gala. Faculty, staff, students and alumni not only celebrated another Founders Day weekend, the 123rd, but joined guests in support of the five honorees illuminated for their contributions in business, education, government and the military. Organizers were most appreciative of supporters who contributed to the scholarship gala as well as those who attended the black tie, event--- the university's premier fundraising event.

Barbara Hamm Lee, a media executive, journalist, and talk show host with WHRO/WHRV, was this year's guest mistress of ceremony who assisted Chancellor Charles Becton with the introduction of
Dr. Shirley Turnage, an award-winning educator/administrator and consultant is the president of a grant writing firm, "Dominion Consulting & Grant-Writing, LLC." She has written and/or assisted with the writing of funded proposals in excess of $20,000,000. Turnage graduated from the institution in 1967 and served as the Bearer of the Mace—the graduate with the highest grade point average—for her class. Turnage accepted the award reserved for the education/arts category.

ECSU recalls founding fathers during 123rd anniversary

Elizabeth City State University students, staff, faculty and alumni celebrated the institution's 123rd anniversary on March 7. Donnice Brown, an out of school youth administrator for the mayor's office in Baltimore Maryland, was the speaker for ECSU's Founders Day assembly. Brown is the great-granddaughter of the institution's second president, Dr. John Henry Bias and his wife, Frances Lane Bias. Brown also serves on the ECSU Foundation board.

Dr. Kacey DiGiacinto receives Hally Beth Poindexter Young Scholar Award
Sexual Assault Awareness Month Clinic

4.12.14
Spring Open House

4.15.14
Sexual Assault Awareness Month Clinic

4.23.14 - 4.24.14
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4.25.14
ECSU Jazz Festival

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Dr. Kacey DiGiacinto, an assistant professor in the Physical Education and Health Department, received the National Association for Kinesiology in Higher Education's (NAKHE) 2014 Hally Beth Poindexter Young Scholar Award. During the 2014 National Association for Kinesiology in Higher Education's Collaborative Congress, Dr. DiGiacinto presented her paper titled "Diversifying Kinesiology: Untapped Potential of Historically Black Colleges and Universities."

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Social work students inducted into Phi Alpha

Ten students at Elizabeth City State University were recently inducted into honor society for social work majors, Phi Alpha, the Pi Psi Chapter:

- Elizabeth A. Casey, a junior from Elizabeth City, N.C.
- Jasmine D. Harvey, junior from Elizabeth City, N.C.
- Jennifer L. Cope, a junior from Barco, N.C.
- Tashay N. Daise, a senior from Hubert, N.C.
- Anitra M. Hill, a junior from Elizabeth City, N.C.
- Quarda C. Fobbs, a junior from Rocky Mount, N.C.
- Marsheia S. Frazier, a senior from Greenville, N.C.
- Joan Tant, a junior from Currituck, N.C.
- Teresa L.
University Police announce personnel updates

Chief John Manley, of University Police at Elizabeth City State University, announces two new changes in personnel:

Darlene Beasley was recently promoted from sergeant to captain. In her new position, she will be responsible for patrol operations and criminal investigations. Captain Beasley has been employed five years at the university. She has 23 years of experience after working for the Elizabeth City Police Department and the Pasquotank County Sheriff's Office. She graduated from Northeastern High School and has further education at San Antonio Community College and the College of the Albemarle.