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Three-peat

The Panther men's track team defends its Ohio Valley Conference indoor track title Saturday.

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Chairs lose the choice of being on councils

By John Chambers
ADMINISTRATION EDITOR

Many academic department chairs say they liked having the option of serving on university councils.

They no longer have that choice available after a Faculty Senate constitutional amendment was approved Thursday limiting chairs from serving on senate and other major faculty councils. The Faculty Senate passed the amendment two weeks prior to the vote.

The amendment, passed by a ballot vote 26-25 Thursday, was one of two accepted by tenure, tenure-track faculty and department chairs.

Chairs can still vote for senate and council membership. Interim President Lou Hencken still has to approve the amendments.

"I see a contradiction in the two amendments ... we are the electorate, but we cannot be the candidate," said Mahmood Butt, secondary education department chair.

Because of the position chairs are in as administrators, half of their position serves a faculty function, he said. Many chairs teach classes after their time in the position. "In general, I feel this is discrimination ... we also have faculty rank," he said.

It is possible a conflict of interest can arise from chairs serving on councils, physics department chair Keith Andrew said.

Andrew, chair of the Council of Chairs, said the council was divided on the amendment.

"If there was a consensus, I think we would have tried to make a statement," he said previously.

The amendment "answers concerns that have been expressed by both faculty members and department chairs regarding membership held by departmental chairs," according to the senate's rationale for the proposed amendment.

A conflict of interest could have been avoided, Butt said. Chairs can abstain from being involved in decisions relating to their departments during council meetings.

Sociology and anthropology chair Gary Foster agreed there would likely be no conflict of interest.

Foster, who served on Faculty Senate for 12 years, said he stepped down from the senate when he was appointed chair after being elected each term as an instructor.

Chairs are considered more administrative and should be restrained to only voting for council members, said psychology chair William Addison.

Addison said his opinion was not in the majority. "Most of the department chairs would like to retain the ability to serve on councils."

Faculty members' vote or discussion when serving with department chairs could be influenced, since chairs represent departments and evaluate faculty performance, he said.

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Pageant winners named



STEPHEN HAAS/ASSOCIATE PHOTO EDITOR

Above: Lexie Nuckolls, a junior marketing major, claims the Ms. Fitness competition against two other contestants Saturday night in the Grand Ballroom of the Martin Luther King, Jr. University Union.

Right: Brandon Turner, a physical education graduate student, executes a mandatory pose for the Mr. EIU fitness competition in the Grand Ballroom of the Martin Luther King, Jr. University Union Saturday night. Turner won the overall award as well as the Bantam category, his weight class for under 140 pounds.



♦ Lexie Nuckolls is Ms. Fitness, Brandon Turner is Mr. EIU

By Jennifer Chiariello
ACTIVITIES EDITOR

Lexie Nuckolls, a junior marketing major, is this year's Ms. Fitness and Brandon Turner, graduate student in physical education, is Mr. EIU.

The pageant consisted of 10 male and 3 female competitors.

Ms. Fitness Competitors included Sandy Hussey, graduate student in dietetics, Elizabeth Gephart, graduate student in business administration and Nuckolls. Contestants were judged on strength, flexibility, and aerobic fitness.

"I'm really, really excited. It felt really good performing in front of people, it's exciting," Nuckolls said.

Hussey said it was her third year participating.

"It's a real fun pageant. I love it every year," she said.

The men competed by weight class and were judged on body symmetry, mandatory poses and individual routines.

All judges are certified body building judges selected by Jim Dinasso, a past judge, personal trainer and owner of a fitness club in the square and Ben York, a senior recreation administration major, organizer and master of ceremonies for the competition.

The panel consists of two female judges and three male judges.

The judges selected were Chad Graham, Rex Vaught, Linda Middleton, Daryl Lach and Tonda Perry.

Turner was awarded the trophy in the Bantam (under 140) class.

Chris Herrera, a senior double major in business management and pre-physical therapy was awarded the trophy in the lightweight (140-159) class.

Robert Browning, graduate student in political science, and Christopher Fischer, a junior finance major, also competed.

Thomas Leong, a graduate student in mathematics with teacher certification, was awarded the trophy for the middleweight (160-179) class. Robert Brooks, a sophomore accounting major, and Mike Mantonya, a senior speech communication major competed also.

Raleigh Jennings, a senior science major, was awarded the trophy for the light-heavyweight (180-199) class. Thomas Weathers, a sophomore physics major, and Todd Miller, a senior mathematics major, also competed.

There were no competitors in the heavyweight (200 plus) class.

Competitors not receiving trophies for their weight class were awarded medallions.

Turner was named Mr. EIU 2003 in competition with weight class winners Herrera, Leong and Jennings.

"Basically it's been a goal of mine since my first show in '99," Turner said. "It's something I've always wanted to do. It's always been a goal of mine and took over four years to do."

He said it's been a long road and he is glad to be Mr. EIU.

"It's my second year competing and I think everybody looked really great out there. We all worked

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March weather 'more ups than downs'

By Carly Mullady
CITY EDITOR

Central Illinois began its march toward spring, a local weather observer said Sunday.

Dallas Price, a former Eastern geology professor, said despite below-average temperatures and above-average precipitation this winter, March should be a month of mild weather.

"This March will have more ups than downs," Price said.

Accompanying spring break will be the slow transition into spring-like temperatures. Daylight time will be an hour longer than it was in December, allowing more time for solar heat.

This is a welcome change from February's 24 days with snow on the ground and five degrees-below-average

temperatures.

Charleston received 10.5 inches of snow compared to the average of four inches. The average February temperature was 25 degrees compared to 30 degrees.

After the first four days of February, temperatures plummeted and remained below the average temperatures.

"It is one of the coldest winters I have recorded," Price said.

Cold air masses from Siberia and Canada have been overpowering potential warm air masses from the Gulf of Mexico.

"The battle between air masses has been won by the Siberian air masses," Price said.

His records show this winter's snowfall accumulation has doubled the normal amount.

This month should mean change for the cold temperatures and heavy snowfall.

"It will change. If it doesn't, the end of the world is near," he said with a laugh.

Price said temperatures should begin warming next week, progressing toward spring just as November leads into Winter.

"March is a late Winter month," Price said. "It is like November in reverse."

The average March temperature is 42 degrees, Price said. On average, three inches of snow falls in March.

Air manufactured in the Arctic will continue cooling the area, but without the harsh cold of past Winter months.

"The Arctic manufacturer is going to run out of steam," he said. "Or at least out of ice."

Warm, pleasant spring weather usually does not arrive until April, but Price thinks the extreme cold will pass.

"We're heading out of the bitter cold we've had," Price said. "Or at least I believe so; I am an optimist."

Essays for African-American Heritage contest due Wednesday, prizes will be awarded

The deadline for *The Daily Eastern News'* African-American Heritage Celebration 2003 essay contest is Wednesday.

Prizes, including free movie rentals and food certificates, will be awarded to winners.

Interested students should submit an essay that correlates with the theme "The Ties that Bind: Culture and Heritage."

Essays should be between 500 and 600 words and are due by 3 p.m. Feb. 25 in Buzzard Hall Room 1811. Submissions also can be e-mailed to majones@eu.edu.

Three faculty members from different departments will judge the entries, and the top three essays will be published in *The Daily Eastern News* after spring break.

Today
Partly cloudy



37° 32°
HIGH LOW

Tuesday
Cloudy



44° 18°
HIGH LOW

Wednesday
Partly cloudy



35° 26°
HIGH LOW

Thursday
Partly cloudy



49° 44°
HIGH LOW

Friday
Showers



52° 35°
HIGH LOW

Saturday
Partly cloudy



47° 28°
HIGH LOW

Sunday
Partly cloudy



47° 26°
HIGH LOW

Art festival needs artists, food vendors

By Carly Mullady
CITY EDITOR

Artists and food vendors are needed for Eastern's 26th annual arts festival.

The event is scheduled for May 2, 3, and 4, but applications for vendors and artists must be completed by March 28.

Dan Crews, Director of "Celebration: A Festival of the Arts" said they are now soliciting for food and art vendors.

Food vendors come from across the state, each with their own specialty foods. Italian, Greek, Mexican and Asian vendors are desired as well as those with traditional foods like French Fries and hot dogs.

Past local vendors include Big Al's Dugout, which specializes in lemon and strawberry shake-ups, and Roger's French Fries.

Ethnic or international dish vendors are encouraged in addition to any traditional festival foods and desserts.

Community groups sometimes offer their goods also, Crews said.

"This is the perfect opportunity for community groups to raise money through food or art sales," Crews said.

The arts festival has no relevance to specific company names as vendors, though many professional food vendors travel here for the event.

"We welcome any groups that would like to generate money for their organization," Crews said. "The recreation has done that in the past."

Crews said from 10,000-12,000 people have attended past arts festivals.

"The turnout varies depending on the weather, but we expect it to be somewhere around that number again," Crews said.

More than 50 artisans contributed to the Celebration's fine arts and crafts fair last year, Crews said.

Live music performers will display their talents during the week-end's events. Arts and crafts demonstrations and children's events will be featured as well.

Food vendors must meet all public health requirements. Spaces are limited and only 10-14 food vendor openings are still available.

Vendor or performer applications can be picked up from Crews or downloaded from the group's Website.

Registration forms can be sent out from the planning office as well. The contact number there is 581-2113, or Crews can be reached at csdec1@eiu.edu. The arts festival website is available at www.eiu.edu/~festival.

"We hope to have the download forms available from the website by the end of this week," he said.

Taylor Mill's roles as lover, mother exposed

By Jennifer Chiariello
ACTIVITIES EDITOR

Harriet Taylor Mill's roles as a lover and mother will be the focus of a presentation titled "The Intimate Voice of Harriet Taylor Mill."

Jo Ellen Jacobs, chair of the department of philosophy at Millikin University and Charleston resident, will give a keynote presentation.

Jacobs will examine the relationship between Mills and her second husband, the famous utilitarian philosopher, John Stuart

Mill, a press release stated.

Jacobs also will discuss Mill's relationship with her daughter, Helen Taylor. Jacobs will address Mill's mothering skills, including her portrayal as a "controlling demon" to her daughter and two sons, a press release stated.

The presentation is part of Women's History and Awareness Month events.

The presentation will begin at 7 p.m. Monday in the Charleston/Mattoon Room of the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union.

The free presentation is open to the public.



STEPHEN HAAS/ASSOCIATE PHOTO EDITOR

Members of the comedy group Lunchbox Voodoo perform a sketch depicting men with P.M.S. during their act in the Seventh Street Underground Friday night in the Martin Luther King, Jr. University Union.

Lunchbox Voodoo entertains

By Jennifer Chiariello
ACTIVITIES EDITOR

Lunchbox Voodoo entertained more than 50 audience members Friday with short sketches, brief comic interludes and a performance by a musical guest.

For the past semester Lunchbox Voodoo performed at residence halls.

The group consists of 17-20 students of different backgrounds of study.

Members of the group performed original acts as well as an act from Saturday Night Live and Monty Python.

Andrew Reaves, a senior theatre major and member, said the group was formed because there are so many improv groups on campus. The group decided to form a troupe to do that, put signs up and went from there.

"EIU needs more laughter," said Taylor Doll, a junior sociology major and Lunchbox Voodoo member.

The group said it tries to do new material each time and new material will be introduced at its next show.

To come up with show material, the group holds round table discussions, Ben Marcy, a freshman undecided major and member, said.

"A lot of people say there is not a lot to do at Eastern, he said. "So we try to provide entertainment."

"I think our strength is you can come to a show and never know what you will get, Shawn Easter, a senior electronics major and member of the troupe, said. "You could have seen our show and we could have completely turned it around. You will not leave our shows not having laughed."

It played well with the crowd too.

"It was really funny. I've been to most of their shows and this was the best one so far," Kelly Bryan, a freshman undecided major, said.

Musical guest, Holly Henschen and Lauren Richards of "For Lack of a Better Word" covered songs from groups such as Sublime, Blind Melon and Jane's Addiction during intermission and after the show.

Prizes were also handed out to members of the audience between sketches.

"I have never been to a show before," Lindsey Kapper, a sophomore sociology major, said. "It was cool to see female artists. They played cool music and did a good job."

Erin Carson, a junior English major and member, said the group is always looking for new members and musical acts.

Those interested in more information on joining or becoming a musical guest can contact Erin at 581-5054 or Ben at 581-2004.

Lunchbox Voodoo will perform at 9 p.m. Wednesday in Ford Hall.

Forum place to voice concerns

The Student Senate will host a forum Monday to gauge students' concerns on campus.

Lindsey Baum, chair of the Student Relations Committee, said students can talk about any issue of concern at the forum.

"This forum is for the students to voice their complaints over university policies and procedures; anything about the grounds, parking or any other specific topic," Baum said.

Members of various committees of Student Senate, like External Relations and Student Relations, will be on hand to answer any questions students may have.

"If there is a question that we can't answer that's more directed to an administrator, we will take that student's question to the proper administrator and then get the answer to that student," Baum said.

Baum said the forum will give senate members a good grasp of what it needs to work on in the future.

"The forum will give us a lot of ideas, and could be the start of future resolutions. This will let us know what the students want us to work on," Baum said.

The Student Senate forum will be from 7 to 9 p.m. Monday in the

Casey Room of the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union.

— compiled by Avian Carrasquillo, student government editor

Facts, myths about biotechnology to be revealed in lecture

The School of Technology Centennial Symposium will examine education's influence on technology and facts and myths of biotechnology.

"Impact of Technology on Current Educational Efforts" will be presented by Charles Rohn, dean of the College of Education and Professional Studies. Rohn will discuss how education has influenced technology and also how technology has affected education in the past 100 years.

"Biotechnology— Fact and Myth" will be presented by Kipp Kruse, chair of the biological sciences department. Kruse will discuss the enormous effects technology has had on biology in the past century.

Kruse said he will mainly focus on biotechnology and

DNA recombination, but he also will discuss cloning, genetic engineering and disease.

"Mostly I will talk about what biotechnology is and some myths about it — what it is and why it has incredible promise to help solve the world's biggest problems," Kruse said. "It has a bad reputation because people don't understand it and are afraid."

Biotechnology is used for pharmaceuticals, DNA recombination techniques and to increase food production and fuel production, Kruse said.

Kruse said some people are scared of gene manipulation and he will try to expose myths in his presentation. A lot of myths are associated with biotechnology, Kruse said. People are afraid something will be created and destroy the world.

Kruse used computers as an example of a great advancement in technology that can be harmful if used improperly, but also is needed.

The presentation will begin at 7 p.m. Monday in the Arcola/Tuscola Room of the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union. The free presentation is open to the public.

— compiled by Jennifer Chiariello, activities editor

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(Left) Mitchell Hayden, 4, of Mattoon, holds his war protest sign as parents John and Bonnie Moore get other signs out of their truck Saturday morning in the Newman Center parking lot on Roosevelt Avenue and 4th Street. Two protest groups converged on Old Main, one from Newman, the other from the Neal Welcome Center.

(Below) Charleston and Mattoon residents united with Eastern students and other area members to protest the potential war with Iraq. Protesters talked to each other in front of Old Main, before heading to Lincoln Avenue to display their signs.

Protesters make their case against war

By Matthew Kent
ACTIVITIES REPORTER

Students, teachers and community members joined to protest the possible war in Iraq Saturday.

Approximately 60 people marched Saturday afternoon in separate groups: one from the Newman Catholic Center and one from the Neal Welcome Center. They gathered in front of Old Main to voice their opposition to the war.

Event organizer Bryan Miller, associate professor of biological sciences, said the rally was organized to oppose preemptive war and to propose better alternatives.

Signs reading "What on Earth are we leaving for our children?" and "Stop Mad Cowboy Disease" along with a picture of an Iraqi young girl reading "Is she our enemy? No War in Iraq!" were held by protesters at the rally.

Campus minister Roy Lanham distributed a "Pledge for Nonviolence" flier and asked people to read it together aloud.

"Our goal is to expose and prevent the U.S. government's plan to use force against the people in Iraq," was one statement read. He said the United States should continue to work with the international community in disarming Saddam Hussein. "I don't understand the rush to war; it would be a nice gesture to disarm ours (weapons of mass destruction) too," Lanham said.

Stefanie Michaelis, a senior sociology major, said small communities like Charleston are making a difference.

"We want to make sure our voices are heard no matter how small the community; it's about small communities standing up against preemptive war," Michaelis said. Charles Spivey, a junior history major, said there are alternatives to war. "I don't think war is good for anything; we need to go through the

U.N. (United Nations)," Spivey said. Charles Delman, professor of mathematics, said people are dealing with two different types of people: "The Beast of Baghdad," referring to Iraqi President Saddam Hussein, and "The Walleye of Washington," a comment directed toward President George Bush.

"We're out here to prevent our government from committing mass murder in our name," Delman said.

"Remember these words: government lies," he added.

"As I think of my children and people here young and old, I say 'Can I afford not to act?'" Delman said. He also asked the crowd to reach out and hold hands.

"In your hand you are holding onto a connection that is beautiful," Delman said.

"You are holding onto the truth ... hold on tight and don't let go."

Not everyone in attendance was opposed to war; a small group of five pro-war individuals stood off to the side with signs that read "Saddam kills men, women and children, but at least he doesn't discriminate" along with another that said "Besides ending fascism, slavery and Nazism, war never solved anything."

Meredith Kruse, director of the University of Illinois Disciples Foundation, said the U.S. government has a "short-sided hypocritical policy."

"I'm in crisis as a U.S. citizen; we should be thinking about what we stand for," Kruse said.

Lanham asked people to stand along Lincoln Avenue in front of Old Main for 15 minutes to show that their actions are making a difference. In response, several cars could be heard passing by with their honking horns. Weekly peace vigils will now be held at 5 p.m. Mondays in front of Old Main.




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EDITORIAL

Events expand horizons

Eastern's campus may not be as diverse as administrators and faculty would prefer, but nonetheless, no shortage of activities paying tribute to the various heritages exists.

Currently 10 percent of Eastern's population are categorized as minorities.

Along with a slew of activities held during February, African American Heritage Month, a concerted effort has been made to salute other minorities on campus through activities and events students are invited to attend.

In the article "Bringing diversity to campus," published in the Jan. 21 edition of *The Daily Eastern News*, interim President Lou Hencken said he is a big believer in increasing diversity at Eastern. He said students who attend diverse schools fare better in society.

Johanna Jones, director of Minority Affairs, previously said, "There has been an objective or goal of sorts to have the university's population match diversity in the state."

Although Eastern doesn't match up with other state schools, the diversity events and speakers brought to campus this year, such as the cultural hunger banquet, the Miss Black EIU competition and the speech by minority Minnesota Supreme Court Justice Alan Page, show the university wants to expand students' horizons and inform and educate people on minority happenings.

On March 23, International week kicks off, and the university once again will have an array of activities and events for students. Some of those activities include a concert involving Indian bands, an international dance, an international potluck dinner and a international dance in 7th Street Underground during the week. Also, March is Women's History and Awareness Month, and events such as "The Intimate Voice of Harriet Taylor Miller" and "Gender Equality in Athletics: Questions and Controversies" are just two upcoming happenings that will take place to help commemorate the month.

It is refreshing to see the university display such an interest in having events for the minorities on campus.

The activities not only give minorities a chance to come together for a fun time, but also bring students of various backgrounds together and help them learn more about each others' cultures.

Despite Eastern's campus only being comprised of 10 percent minorities, the university should be commended for showing such a keen interest in promoting diversity.

The editorial is the majority opinion of *The Daily Eastern News* editorial board.

At issue
Eastern's conducting various diverse events on campus

Our stance
The university should be commended for showing interest in promoting many diverse activities.

OPINION

Don't push direct deposit



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I won't switch to direct deposit. No amount of inconvenience will change my mind, so I wish the university would not push the students.

Human Resources has said it wants 90 percent of the student body to get direct deposit; members of the university made presentations at a Student Senate meeting; and the university changed the procedure of picking up a paycheck if a student does not have direct deposit.

Forty-nine percent of the student workers use direct deposit. Obviously, 90 percent of the student workers do not want direct deposit without a little pushing first. I'm willing to guess some of those students with direct deposit only use it because of the change in picking up paychecks.

Human Resources and this university are not just offering a convenient service for those who want it; they're inconveniencing those who do not want it. They have an agenda, and they're not unbiased on the issue.

They're not just getting the word out; they're pushing it. Although it's commendable they know what they want to do and are going after it, it's obnoxious.

Before Friday, students picked up their checks from their supervisors. It was a convenient way of getting a paycheck. Students just

"(Human Resources) is not just getting the word out; they're pushing it."

picked up their paycheck when they were at work, just like they'd pick up a paycheck from Wal-Mart at Wal-Mart or the mall from the mall. Employees don't have to go to Wal-Mart corporation, and, in Eastern's case, employees didn't have to go to the "headquarters" of the Cashier's Office in Old Main.

I'm not afraid of computer glitches or anything like that; maybe I'm just traditional, and I like to get my check. Also, I'd like to get my check and chose to put it in checking or savings every month. Other people may be the same way, or they may want to actually cash their check.

When news of the switch first came about, students feared a long line as all student employees attacked the Cashier's Office, wanting their paychecks. I wasn't sure what the scene would be like, but I didn't really fear a long wait. As it turned out, I did not have to wait in line.

Still, the first thing I noticed was a sign saying to get direct

deposit to avoid the hassle. Someone either knows the new pick-up procedure is a hassle, or they want the majority of workers who are still receiving a paper check to think it's a hassle, so they'll get direct deposit.

The change is not that much of a hassle. Many employees will probably have to walk out of their way, but that's OK. Soon the weather will be nicer, and the North Quad really is one of the more beautiful parts of campus. Being almost forced to walk there will force me to take 10 to 15 minutes of my day once a month to relax a little and will give me some good thinking time.

Students also might see some people they don't see too often. Friday I saw a girl from high school I rarely see on campus, another friend I don't see often enough and interim President Lou Hencken — people I would not have seen had I just had to walk across the hall from the newsroom office to pick up my check.

Nonetheless, they are working to take away students' choice. Faculty members already don't have a choice; they have to have direct deposit. The situation could be worse for students. At least as long as we don't mind the "hassle" of getting to walk to the North Quad and not waiting in line, we can still get a real paycheck.

Cartoon by Ryan Vila



YOUR TURN: LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Promote tougher, tighter inspections

Don't you wonder why Bush is now buying votes on the United Nations Security Council to support war with Iraq (*The New York Times*, Feb 21, 2003)? Could it all be about money and prestige? We are offering billions to poorer countries like Angola, Guinea, Cameroon, Mexico, Chile and Pakistan on the Council, not because we want them to succeed, but to buy them off! They were essentially worthless, of no concern, just days ago. Now their vote is worth billions. Wasn't this sort of being out-lawed in this country? This is Tammy Hall all over again! Is this Bush "foreign policy" coercing the world with our weapons and dollars?

Could this 'buyout' be as much about flaunting the "superpower status" Bush thinks he is owed by the rest of the world as it is the "danger" Saddam poses to the world? Could he simply be trying to 'save face,' rather than save the world? The "evidence" of this is in front of you. The "evi-

dence" of Saddam being a threat to the world is not there, especially as long as UN keeps inspectors within Iraq. It's the same type of evidence that told us to duck and cover in the 50's — it's makeshift and biased.

Let's promote tougher, tighter inspections and return to active removal of facilities and munitions. But not war which will needlessly kill and maim and waste more billions of dollars you and I will repay. Disarmament can be achieved without war! This is madness! Will you allow yourself to be dragged down by this madness?

Bryan Miller
Associate professor for biological sciences

Place the blame where it belongs

In response to David Helmeid's letter published in the Feb. 21 edition of *The Daily Eastern News*, as a war

supporter, let me say I don't appreciate being called 'gullible.' I know the facts and choose my stance willingly. I haven't been swayed by propaganda and slanted journalism, like most war protesters. I can respect Helmeid's stance, but most of the anti-war population has the wrong motivations. Our soldiers chose to join the armed forces willingly, so no one is marching them to their death.

Obviously, Helmeid is not that brave, because, as he said, "I wouldn't follow an order (from the President) to kill people". Well, people do follow orders to kill — they're called terrorists — and they need to be stopped. Saddam isn't stupid enough to attack the United States, but he could supply terror-

ists with weapons to do his dirty work. I also would like to see tax dollars used for something more constructive, such as education, but no amount of money can repair the lives lost and damaged by terrorism. In a perfect world, war wouldn't be an option, but with the likes of Hitler and Hussein, it is sometimes the only option. It shouldn't take another 9/11 (or worse) for us to take action. Helmeid is so concerned about our government lying, but what about the Iraqi government? Sure, Bush isn't perfect, but let's at least place the blame where it belongs.

Brendan Nelson
Junior biological sciences major

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Marketplace entices many students inaugural week

By Tim Martin
CAMPUS EDITOR

The Marketplace at Thomas Hall averaged 300 to 350 customers in its inaugural week with consumer interest varying from student to student.

"Half the people I have talked to said the convenient center was good, and the others say there isn't much there," Roshen Chacko, a junior physical education major, said.

The Marketplace, which began construction in fall of 2002, opened at 8 a.m. Feb. 24 in the north end of the Thomas Dining Center.

"I was very pleased with the first week. We had a good first week," Danita Timmons, assistant director of Panther Dining, said. "And those numbers should only go up."

Student feedback, Timmons said, has been positive for the most part, with compliments about the late operating hours and ability to use dining dollars.

"I like a lot of the products and it is nice that it's accessible," Jonathan Monts, a junior physical education major, said.

But not every student left pleased. "I've been there, but they really didn't have anything I needed," Shelly Severs, a junior elementary education major, said.

Jessica McLaughlin, a junior elementary education major, has not made the trip to the marketplace yet.

"I probably won't make it down there unless I really need something," she said.

"Otherwise, I'll just go to Wal-Mart."

But competing with off-campus establishments is not a goal for the Marketplace. Timmons said university bylaws state it can't carry some products seen in stores like Wal-Mart or Casey's General Store.

"There's a fine line there, but the ultimate decision is above me (on what products the Marketplace will sell)," she said.

Mark Hudson, director of housing and dining, said he had not seen the official numbers yet, but that the university took a "soft opening" approach with the marketplace.

"Given that it is located in a residential community, we knew that news of it opening would spread by word of mouth," he said. "We let people trickle in so we can work out any bugs we may have." The biggest student complaint has been the inability to enter the marketplace from inside the dining center.

"I'm already here in my pajamas and I don't want to go out there," Monts said.

Michael Blankenberger, a freshman industrial technology major, also found the outdoor entrance inconvenient.

"There's no point to have to go outside if you're already inside — I thought that kind of sucked," he said.

Despite a few complaints, Timmons said the numbers were what she expected.

"I didn't know what to expect, it was my first endeavor like this," she said. "But I was surprised by the turnout."



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Jerry Vanderhei, a sophomore undecided major, takes freshman undecided major Brian Galbin's Panther Card Sunday evening in the Marketplace at Thomas Hall.

Java B & B's upcoming closing does not alarm all students

By Tim Martin
CAMPUS EDITOR

With mid-terms approaching students before spring break, the need to brave exhaustion and keep up with assignments is at a premium this week.

Although courage does not come in a pill, it can come in the form of a coffee bean.

Unfortunately, Java Beanery and Bakery, the coffee shop in the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union, closes before most students open their books.

"They close at too early of an hour," Brandon Rowatt, a freshman industrial technology major, said. "It seems like they are in this for the teachers and not the students."

Shae Johnson, a senior sociology major, agreed with Rowatt.

"For most people, they study at night, not during the middle of the day," she said. "And they

need coffee late at night to stay up."

Java Beanery & Bakery is open from from 7:30 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday to Thursday and from 7:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday.

"You drink coffee either to wake you up or keep you up," Johnson said. "It's not like people at noon are like, 'Hey, let's drink coffee!'"

Meg Williams, a sophomore art major, suggested a possible operating hours change.

"I think they need to be open in the mornings and at nights and closed during the day," she said.

The student time discrepancies could be one of the reasons why Keith Bliss, the current leaseholder and manager of Java B&B, exercised his 90-day exit clause from his annual contract last week.

Management of Java B&B will switch from Bliss, also the owner of Jitters and Bliss located on 424

W. Lincoln Ave., to the university in mid-May.

Students also cited the inability to use Dining Dollars as a reason for not providing more business.

"It's a lot easier to have Mom and Dad paying for it rather than out of your own pocket," said Katie Fischer, a sophomore marketing major, and Java B&B employee.

"Right now I go (to Java B&B) about once a week because I'm only on the north campus two or three times a week," Marla Thompson, a senior speech communications major, said. "But if we could use Dining Dollars, I would probably go more often."

The ratio of students using money, as opposed to Dining Dollars, is greatly unequal, said Johnson, who works at the Subway in the food court.

"It has got to be so hard on (Java B&B)," Johnson said, "because we only get one out of

maybe every 100 or 150 people that use cash (at Subway)."

Fischer said she thought the ability to use Dining Dollars would increase business.

"I think there would be a great increase because we get comments from customers complaining they can't use their Panther Cards," she said.

Kelly Bryan, a freshman undecided major, said Java B&B faces stiffer competition than the student body in the other companies in the union.

"Their biggest competition is the coffee machine in the food court," she said. "Would you rather buy a cheaper cup of coffee (at the food court) with dining dollars or pay more (at Java B&B) with your own money?"

"It's not fair (to Java B&B) to have coffee machines up here because people will come up to the food court first, not downstairs." If it comes down to price,

"Their biggest competition is the coffee machine in the food court."

—Kelly Bryan

Johnson, who recently moved to Charleston from Salt Lake City where coffee is more prominent, said most students will go for the cheaper alternative.

And that rationale may provide some reason why Bliss chose to opt out of his contract.

"In Utah, people are carrying coffee everywhere. You see students with them in class and teachers have them on their desks," Johnson said.

She said people don't care what brand of coffee they drink.

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All-student show ceremony commended art pieces Sunday

◆ More than 100 entries were submitted for awards show this year by 55 students

By Matthew Kent
ACTIVITIES REPORTER

The 2003 All-student show awards ceremony was held Sunday afternoon in Tarble Arts Center awarding this year's winners of art pieces.

More than 100 entries were submitted this year by 55 students, whose pieces were judged by three art professionals. Glenn Hild, chair of the art department, presented the awards to winning students.

Many of the students exuded joy after coming out winners at the annual event.

Jesse Baumgartner, a senior art major, was the recipient of the "Outstanding Senior Award" for his work in graphic design along with honorable mention for his work in electronic media.

He also won the Paul T. Sargent Award, which is presented to students who exhibit outstanding achievements in the art department. Megan McKenna, an art major, received a show award for her piece, "Reflection," along with a merit award for "Harley-Davidson Direct Mailer," an award presented in the graphic design category.

"It was a surprise," she said.

Jason Bly, a senior art major, won awards in the categories of honorable mention and a merit award for his work in painting.



COLIN MCAULIFFE/PHOTO EDITOR

Jason Bly, a senior 2-D art major, looks at one of the many student art pieces on display Sunday afternoon during the Tarble Arts All-student show.

He said he believed this year's competition was good and added that it was memorable he won.

"I feel good that the hard work paid off," Bly said.

Nam Clark, a senior art major, also received a merit award for his piece.

"I was not expecting this, but I'm proud," Clark said.

Haley Nivens, also an art major, won the best of

show for her award winning piece, "Sterling Silver Vessel." She also won a show award for "Marathon Brochure and Application," a graphic design piece.

"I'm excited and overwhelmed," Nivens said.

The All-student show will continue until March 30 at the Tarble Arts Center.

Manifesto brought to Student Government to uplift minorities

◆ Co-writer Blackmon helped with the writing ideas and the editing of the document

By Alicia Spates
STAFF WRITER

A plan has been created to bring the African-American students on campus together with Recognized Student Organizations to uplift the Black race.

A Manifesto, "a declaration of intent or principles," was brought to the Student Government as a proposal last spring and was written to declare a "new precedence in Black unity, greek relations, academic achievements and the uplifting of Black heritage."

Co-writer Steven Blackmon, a senior sports management major, helped with the writing, the ideas and the editing of the document.

Besides Blackmon, the writers involved with the Manifesto are members of Black Greek organizations.

The authors include Darrius Frazier, Ronnie Hughes, Raleigh Jennings, Zhena King, Johnny Lane, Earl Solomon, Winton Stacy, Dennis Thomas and Sherman Thomas.

The proposal of the group was to try to get the document placed in the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union where students could see it and individuals who chose to participate and live by it could sign it, Blackmon said.

Blackmon said that the document would add to the African-American heritage theme the Union lacks with only one picture of Martin Luther King in the entire building.

The Manifesto began as a class project, but kept developing long after the assignment was over with the group's expectations including leaving behind a positive aspect to Eastern, Blackmon said.

Many of the authors expressed pleasure at being able to bring the document into fruition.

"(The) Manifesto was made to help ease all the problems that minorities

"(The) Manifesto was made to help ease all the problems that minorities feel on Eastern's campus ..."

—Steven Blackmon

feel on Eastern's campus just because we don't have the resources or we don't have the outlets," Blackmon said.

Created over a year ago, the Manifesto was designed especially for minorities, by minorities, Blackmon said.

The document states the need of proactive support in the surrounding community and on campus, Blackmon said.

The document was brought to the Student Government last spring, but not much support was received by the African-American student community or from the student body as a whole, Blackmon said.

"One of the biggest problems is that we don't get the proper publicity that is needed to let people know that there is something out there that is for us, by us that can help us," Blackmon said.

Blackmon said the lack of support for African-American activities and functions on campus was the cause behind the document.

He also said he saw the unfairness minority students were receiving from the college — whether it was through support or financially — so the group decided to do something about it.

It is uncertain when, or if, the proposal will be brought back to the Student Government.

It was not acknowledged the first time, and Blackmon thinks it won't be acknowledged again.

"It is important that we once again support each other in everything that we do," he said.

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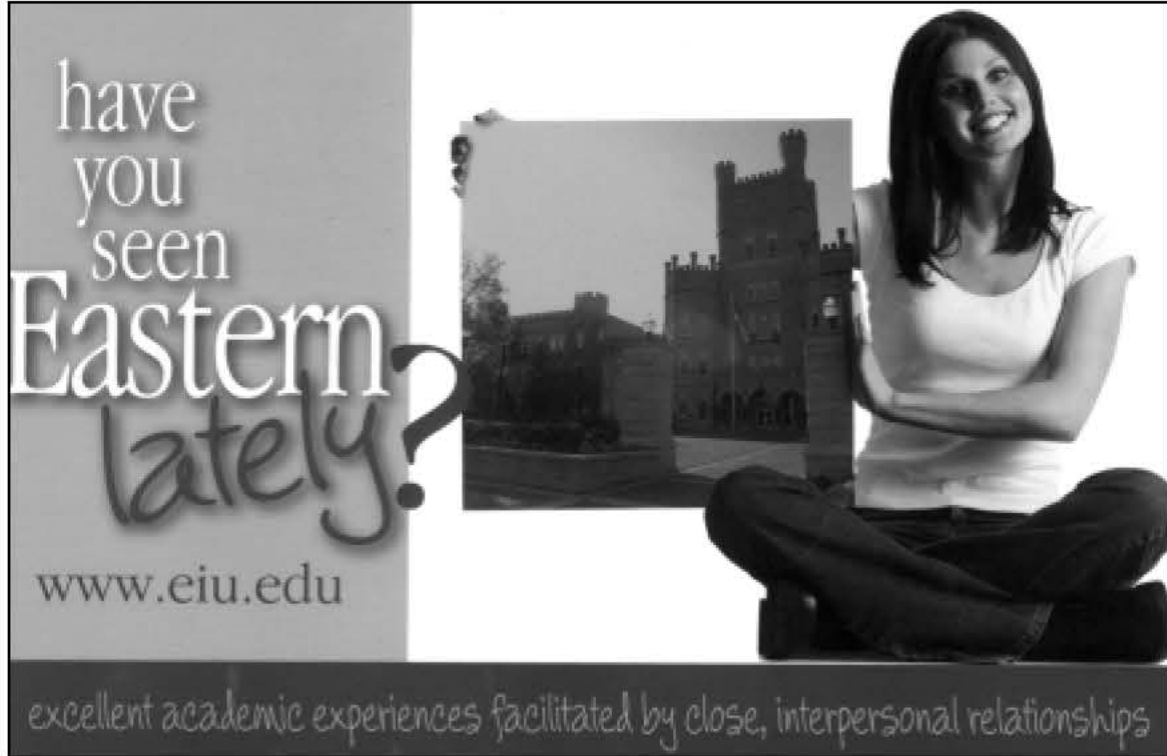
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The Legislative Action Team hopes this card will make an impression on legislatures the next time it goes to Springfield. The back of the card displays statistical information about Eastern. The action team of administrators lobbied for Eastern's interests in Springfield for the first time this year last month.

Legislative Action Team hopes to make impressions with card

By John Chambers
Administration editor

The Legislative Action Team hopes to make an impression on legislatures with a 4-by-6-inch card.

The Action Team of administration and faculty lobbied for Eastern's interests in Springfield for the first time last month. The group brought with it an informational card to personally hand to legislators or leave for the ones they were unable to meet with, said Jill Nilsen, vice president for external relations.

The Action Team was formed in December as a subcommittee to the Council on University Planning and Budget.

The back of the card includes information such as enrollment numbers, average class size, university ranking and retention rate. Eastern's retention rate freshman to sophomore year is listed at 81 percent.

Some of the information, including the graduation and retention rate, shows results of the university,

Nilsen said.

"The information that is on the card is our statistical information ... the outcome stories," she said. "One of the things we know legislators are really interested in is our outcome."

Legislators have busy schedules and the card is a convenient way to convey points about the university without confronting them with pages of information, Nilsen said.

The front of the card features a woman holding up a photo of Old Main. Eastern's Web site is listed below the words, "Have you seen Eastern lately?"

The photo is a purchase photo not of an Eastern student, said Julie Abell, director of planning and institutional studies.

The cards have contributed to optimistic responses from legislators, she said.

"We've had really positive feedback," she said. "This is all on how we market the university."

She said the card is modeled after a graduation card mailed to

announce commencement proceedings.

Abell said a fact sheet with more comprehensive information also is mailed to legislators.

While Nilsen said she personally will be back in Springfield three times this week, the Legislative Action Team will likely be back in April.

The Student Action Team also is working on a different way to make an impression in Springfield.

The group is working on a "view book" of the university, said Marty Ruhaak, student vice president for public affairs.

"It has the fast facts on there and then we have some personal statements," he said. "It's basically a book that brags about Eastern a little bit."

The book also includes pictures of Old Main and other campus buildings, he said.

While the book is not a quick glance like the card, it will not have an overwhelming amount of information, Ruhaak said.

Chairs:

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When being elected to councils, chairs have an advantage, Addison said.

"The chair holds a unique position in evaluating faculty," he said. "I think department chairs might have kind of an unfair advantage in the election process ... chairs tend to be more visible in a lot of places."

The university will suffer because of the amendment revision, said political science chair Richard Wandling.

"What concerns me is there are some chairs on campus who have an interest in making a contribution to the university bodies," he said. "If you're going to allow people to vote, you should allow people to run for office."

Wandling said chairs can offer a perspective making votes and discussion by councils more diverse.

With the past option to serve,

some chairs still would not have taken advantage because of time constraints.

"I personally have no desire to serve on bodies such as CAA (Council on Academic Affairs) or faculty senate ... the primary reason is I'm simply too busy," Wandling said.

Wandling voted no Thursday.

Eight out of the 51 who voted were department chairs. About 500 total were eligible to vote, said physics professor Doug Brandt, chair of the senate elections committee.

"(Brandt) was simply trying to clean up the constitution," by changing the wording so chairs cannot serve, said senate chair Anne Zahlan.

The senate was acting on what they perceived chairs felt was their own role on councils, she said.

"We thought that most of the chairs actually thought that chairs should not serve on CAA, for example," Zahlan said. "We were in fact reflecting the reality of what we perceived to be the situation."

She said the revision was not meant to divide faculty and department chairs.

The second amendment change brought the senate's constitution in unison with other committee's bylaws and current practice regarding memberships selected by university colleges instead of at large.

Constitutional amendment revisions are usually voted on at the same time as faculty elections, but since they impact candidate selection they were voted on Thursday before elections, which will take place March 25 and 26, Brandt said.

Pageant:

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really hard and I think it really paid off," Leong said.

York said: "Definitely I think there was a good turnout, all competitors got themselves into amazing shape and the audience had a really good time. I think the competitors are having a good time as well. They are all friends, win, lose or draw."

York said there are also many volunteers behind the scenes who made the evening possible in addition to the judges.

The pageant included perform-

ances by Pink Panthers and Jolie and music provided by DJ Lee Michaels.

"This is my third year attending the pageant and I think Brandon really deserved it because he worked hard," Lisa Keller, a sophomore marketing major, said.

Tracy Robinson, a sophomore engineering major said: "It was my first year at the pageant and it was a very good show. Both the guys and girls put up a really good performance."

Scott Zielke, a junior physical education major said: "The girls are typically self-conscious about their bodies and the fact that they went up there and were in spectacular shape is something everyone could be proud of. It's a credit to them as individuals."

Justin Vencill, a junior recreation administration major and volunteer at the competition said: "The performances were incredible and their aesthetic appearance was awesome."

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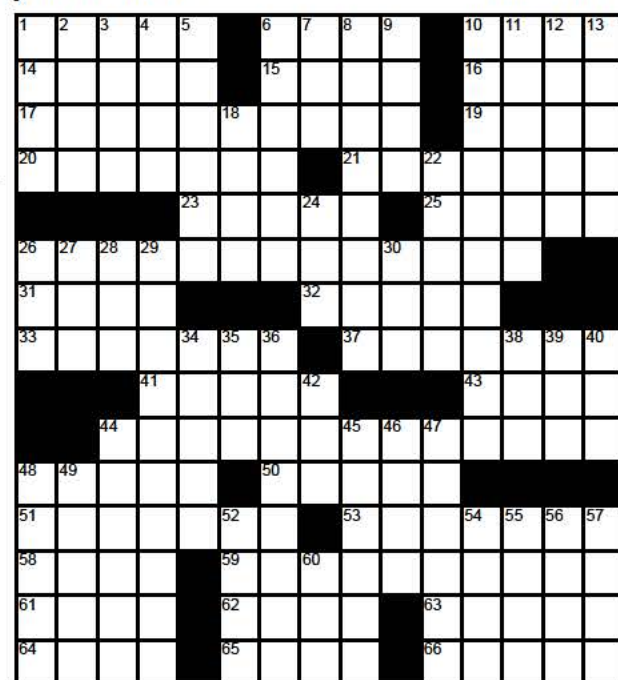
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Spit-and-polish military town upset by Air Force Academy scandal

COLORADO SPRINGS, Colo. (AP) — As a song lamenting the fate of a wounded soldier plays on the VFW Post jukebox behind him, Bob Campbell talks with disgust in his voice of the treatment some young cadets say they've been getting from the Air Force Academy.

"I think it is terrible that these kinds of things can happen. It should be an honor to be there," the Vietnam veteran says of reports that female cadets were punished by the academy after reporting they had been raped or sexually assaulted by upperclassmen.

"I believe it is going on now — and has been in the past," he says.

Across this spit-and-polish military town of 500,000, Campbell's sentiment echoes among the civilians as well as the military employees and retirees who make up more

than a fifth of the population.

"This is a terrible black mark on the academy," says retired Air Force Col. Dick Rauschkolb, who directed the office of enrollment programs at the academy. "We want the best and brightest to come here."

Since late January, at least 22 female cadets have said they were ostracized or reprimanded for minor infractions after they reported being raped by upperclassmen. The Air Force is conducting investigations and at least four senators have called for an outside investigation, which Air Force Chief of Staff Gen. John Jumper has said he would welcome.

Academy Superintendent Lt. Gen. John Dallagher, speaking Friday on ABC's "20/20," said it was as serious as the 1991 Tailhook

scandal, when women at a hotel were groped or assaulted by drunken pilots at a Navy booster group's convention.

At Colorado Spring's primary rape and crisis center, counselors have helped 22 alleged rape or assault victims from the academy, said Carl Davis, the center's executive director.

She said many of them are afraid to complain for fear they'll lose their chances to advance in the military.

"If you want to be a fighter pilot, you don't have any other options," she said.

On the academy campus, beyond the large letters at the entrance that spell out, "Bring Me Men," young men and women in uniform walk from the coed dorms to their classes along the wooded hillsides

of Pikes Peak.

The property is closed to the public because of heightened security measures, but during an appearance last week by Air Force Secretary James Roche, military public relations officials escorted reporters in to speak with some of the cadets.

Two female cadets, both members of a voluntary group set up to help victims of assaults, said the students at the academy work together to overcome gender barriers. About 4,000 cadets a year train at the academy, created in 1954. It opened its doors to the first female cadets in 1976.

"You're all face down in the mud together," said Cadet 1st Class Sarah Miller of Enola, Pa., who wants to be a pilot.

"I honestly believe this is a won-



derful place, and a few bad apples are spoiling the bunch," said Cadet 1st Class Katie Veseth of Malta, Mont.

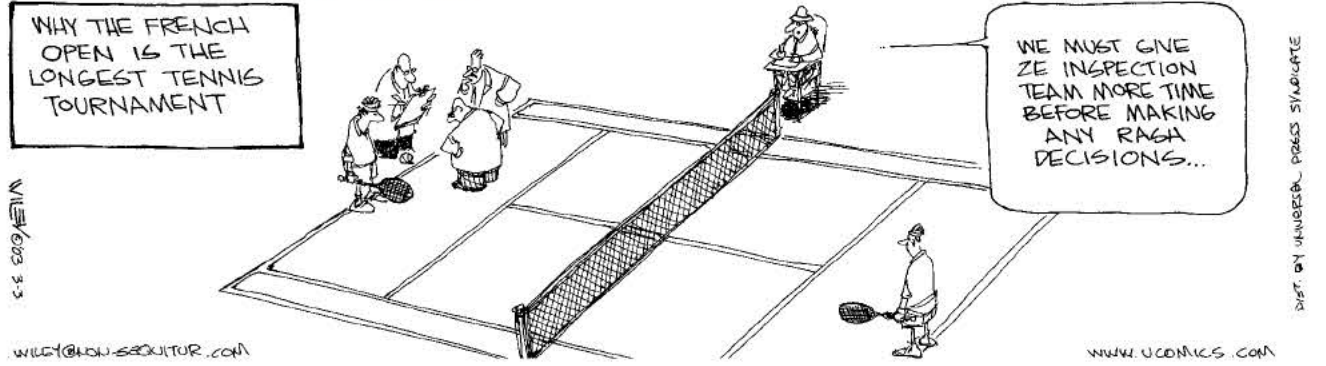
Janette Tinianow said her twin daughters, who graduated at the top of their academy class in 2000, never had any trouble with classmates. "I never heard of anything that was hushed or put down. I am very skeptical that that is true.

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TENNIS

Panthers' streak stopped at four

◆ *Billikens bounce Eastern 6-1, Panthers follow with win over Southern Mississippi*

By Jason Blasco
STAFF WRITER

Eastern had a turbulent weekend against Conference USA opponents Saint Louis University and Southern Mississippi this weekend.

In the Panther women's tennis team's (6-2) match against the Billikens, they were defeated 6-1.

"We got caught in a couple of injuries and illnesses and that diluted our team effort," Eastern head coach Brian Holzgrafe said. "We lost to a team we probably should have dominated and that was probably the worst match of the season."

After the match, Holzgrafe had a meeting with his team about its performance.

"(During the meeting) we talked about it and came out of it and responded better in the next game," Holzgrafe said.

The Panthers' match against

Southern Mississippi (4-1) went more according to Holzgrafe's plans. Eastern made a clean sweep in its singles matches. Senior Jana Matouskova won the first match 6-0, 6-4. Junior Becky Bruner won the second 6-3, 6-4, and sophomore Sarah Freeman won the third match 6-2, 6-1.

"I felt like the girls responded and played well (in the second match)," Holzgrafe said.

"It is difficult to go from an indoor surface to an outdoor surface. That is definitely something that is commendable on their behalf."

Bruner and Freeman teamed up to win a doubles match as well.

"The second match was a step in the right direction," Holzgrafe said.

"It was one thing to go out there when things aren't going well and you have to overcome. I keep seeing the characteristics (I am looking for) and this team has such an ability to bounce back and we will need that."

The Panthers next match will be against Samford and Birmingham March 13 at 2 p.m.

Domercant-can't:

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run which including eight points by Domercant and suddenly the deficit was down to 60-52.

Within the next six minutes of play, Domercant's supporting cast remained scoreless while the

OVC Preseason Player of the Year scored 10 consecutive points.

But the Panthers could not come any closer than seven during the second half, and over the final 3:18, the Panthers were outscored 14-8 due to the Golden Eagles near-perfect foul shooting (7-8).

Williams:

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pull the weight off the young kids' backs and be the leaders head coach Rick Samuels has been looking for all season.

One thing is for sure: Neither myself nor the Panthers' ideal situation right now is to return to

Murray.

We would all like to be sitting safely in Lantz and having our fans in our back seats.

None of this is possible, so the NCAA tournament run begins in Racer country.

Maybe now we both understand what it takes to survive Murray and have them tasting the exhaust fumes this year.

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

Golden Eagles' fly past Panthers

By Jamie Hussey
STAFF WRITER

Despite the Panthers second half efforts, they could not get a win against the Golden Eagles on Saturday in the Panther's last regular season game.

Tennessee Tech's win allowed the Golden Eagles to move past Eastern into sixth place in the OVC. The Golden Eagles (11-16, 6-10) earned the sixth seed in the OVC Tournament and will face third-seeded Eastern Kentucky. The Panthers (6-21, 5-11) will have the seventh seed and draws second seed Southeast Missouri.

Tennessee Tech was able to defeat Eastern by 13 points by a final score of 84-71.

The Panthers could have maintained sixth place with a victory against Tech.

Although they moved down a seed, head coach Linda Wunder thinks the loss was a learning experience for the team.

"We did some good things against Tech and that is something to build on for Tuesday," Wunder said.

Eastern had the lead only once at the beginning of the game. Once Tennessee Tech gained control, they kept the lead for the rest of the game.

Freshman guard Megan Sparks ended the night as Eastern's leading scorer with 22 points, one shy of her career high. Sparks also had six rebounds, four assists and two steals.

"I thought Sparks was very aggressive offensively," Wunder said. "She looked for a shot and she took them when she could. It was nice to see her step up and see her make them as well."

Junior guard Katie Meyers was able to finish the game as Eastern's second leading scorer with 14 points and six rebounds.

Junior guard Lauren Dailey finished the game with 12 points. Dailey also had three rebounds and two assists.

Eastern had trouble stopping a pair of Tennessee Tech freshman, forward Emily Christian and



STEPHEN HAAS/ASSOCIATE PHOTO EDITOR

Panther redshirt-freshman point guard Ashley Kearney looks to pass during a recent home game. Kearney had three assists and two steals in Eastern's 84-71 loss to Tennessee Tech

guard Jenna Baltimore.

Christian finished with a resounding game high 39 points and contributed to the team's win with six rebounds, five assists, two blocks and one steal.

Christian also made 12 out of 15 from the free throw line.

"Christian had a terrific game and she played very very well," Wunder said. "She got some of her points from the 12 foul shots."

Baltimore made 17 points overall and finished with four rebounds, six assists and one steal.

Eastern gave Tech many chances to score from the foul line. Wunder pointed out the post players alone had 13 fouls. Five of

the 24 personal fouls were from senior center Brooke Gossett.

Tennessee Tech earned 31 chances to score from the line. They made 24 of the 31 attempts.

Wunder said the turning point in the game came when Gossett fouled out of the game.

"We were making a run during that time and from that point on our run kind of stopped and our momentum shifted back to Tech," Wunder said.

Tech was shooting 77 percent from the foul line in the first half. They ended the game keeping consistent with their first half foul shots again shooting 77 percent from the foul line.

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WOMEN'S TRACK

Tigers out-pace host Panthers

By Matt Meinheit
SPORTS EDITOR

The Panthers finished in fourth place in the tightly contested Ohio Valley Conference Indoor Track & Field Championships in Lantz Fieldhouse this weekend.

Eastern recorded 117 team points, less than 23 points behind first place Tennessee State (139.50).

Tennessee State won the meet with a victory in the final event – the 4 x 400 meter relay. The Tigers team of Leslie Leary, Mercy Udoji, Rebekah Robinson and Crystal Ewell finished with a time of 3:47.55, over six seconds ahead of Southeast Missouri, who was favored to win the team championship coming into the meet.

SEMO finished in second place with 136 points.

"I'm really excited," Tennessee State head coach Chandra Cheeseborough said. "It came down to the wire. I'm just happy to come out on top. I knew it was going to be close."

Eastern took first place in three of the 16 events in the meet.

Eastern's distance runners lived up to their reputation in the OVC. Senior Nicole Millici won the mile run with a time of 5:03.16 to defeat Semo's Kaci Pilcher by nearly five seconds.

Millici also helped Eastern's distance medley relay team take first place. Freshman Jaylee Carr and seniors Jennifer Cowan and Amanda Galvin composed the other members of the winning relay team, who set an OVC record (12:17.29). The previous record was set by Eastern in 2001 with a time of 12:18.99.

"Nicole (Millici) did a great job," Eastern cross country coach John McInerney said. "It was just a huge weekend, great weekend for her."

Eastern sophomore Angie Simone had a pair of second place finishes in the 3,000-meter run and the 5,000-meter runs.

Junior Mary Wood gave Eastern its only other first place finish of the meet with an 11'4 1/2" run in the pole vault.

In the remaining events, Eastern didn't have an individual finish higher than third in an event.

Sophomore Alicia Harris ran the



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Eastern freshman Megan Garrity (right) runs in the 60-meter hurdles during Saturday's Ohio Valley Conference Indoor Track Championships. She finished eighth in the event. The Panther women's track team finished fourth.

400 meter dash in 56.71 for a third-place finish. Cowan finished behind Harris with a time of 58.46.

In the 800 meter run, Galvin finished in third at 2:15.82 and Millici took fifth with a time of 2:17.34.

Senior Tiffany Greenley finished third in the 20 pound weight throw with a distance of 52-foot-2

3/4-inches.

"I'm really, really proud at how our women competed," Eastern head coach Mary Wallace said. "We couldn't have done any better. I was just a matter of three teams that had a better day than we did."

Wallace hopes Eastern's young team will be able to build on this

year's results.

"I hope this will be a starting point for what we're going to build for the future," Wallace said. "It seemed we had someone battling it out for a championship in each event, we just didn't have enough to get us over the hump."

BASEBALL

Panthers post first win in 10-inning thriller

By Matthew Stevens
SPORTS REPORTER

Eastern picked up its first victory of the season during its weekend tournament at the University of Alabama-Birmingham.

The Panthers' (1-4) win came between a pair of losses in Birmingham, Ala., to Alabama-Birmingham (11-0) and Marshall (3-5).

The Panthers (1-4) opened up the weekend Friday with a 10-4 to Alabama-Birmingham behind a career-high 12-strikeout performance from Blazers senior pitcher Lucas Trotter.

The entire Alabama-Birmingham pitching staff combined to strike out 17 Panthers and allowed only three hits.

Trotter pitched six innings of one-hit ball before allowing Rusty

McIntyre to finish off the game with a 9-0 lead.

"I thought Lucas gave us a great performance," Alabama-Birmingham head coach Larry Giangrosso said. "Every game it seems like it's a different guy stepping up."

The Blazers continue to have their best start in school history and tied the best start in Conference USA history.

One bright spot for the Panthers was senior designated hitter Bret Pignatiello's three-run homer in the eighth inning for the final runs of the game.

"We really threw the ball around like some t-ball kids," Panther head coach Jim Schmitz said.

The situation looked grim in the second game Saturday after junior Kentucky center fielder Casey Gilvin hit a solo home run to break

a 2-2 tie with two outs in the top of the tenth inning.

With two outs in the bottom of the tenth inning, the Panthers answered with two runs off Wildcats reliever

Rob Bland to earn the 4-3 victory. Senior designated hitter Danny Jordan singled to score Pignatiello. Senior left fielder/pitcher Nathan Stone followed Jordan with the game winning single driving in senior right fielder Kirk Walters.

"We really responded real well from their home run," Schmitz said.

Before the 10th inning, the Wildcat bullpen had allowed three hits in four and two-thirds innings.

"We are really hitting well coming out of the Fieldhouse because it's really hard coming out of the gym," Schmitz said.

Panther closer Nathan Stone

picked up his first win of the season after allowing one hit (a home run) in two and a third innings.

"Nathan really has the mindset of a closer but is having problems with left handed batters," Schmitz said.

"To get a win against a Southeastern Conference opponent says a lot about our program," Schmitz said.

The Marshall Thundering Herd ended its four-game losing skid by defeating Eastern in the final game of the weekend.

Left fielder Scott Henning hit the game-winning double down the left field line off Stone.

Thundering Herd pitcher Chris Koutsavlis pitched seven and one-third innings and scattered seven hits while allowing three runs in his first career start.

After the top of the third inning

Eastern tied the game after Marshall center fielder Joe Glevenyak misjudged junior short-stop Kyle Haines' fly ball scoring junior center fielder Marcus Jackson.

"Kirk Walters and Kyle Haines both had great weekends at the plate," Schmitz said.

Marshall (3-5) notched four runs in the fourth inning aided by from errors by senior first baseman Aaron Shelbourne and Haines.

Marshall reliever Steve Zirolli got the win after only two-thirds of an inning on the mound and Panther reliever Andy Kuntz took the loss.

Eastern will travel to Jacksonville, Fla. this weekend to begin its spring break trip where they will play eight games in 10 days.



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OUT OF BOUNDS



Matt Williams
ASSOCIATE SPORTS EDITOR

How to survive a Murray trip

Load up the bus, we're going to Murray, Ky.

An Eastern loss to Tennessee Tech and a Murray State win over Tennessee-Martin means the Panthers and I get to go back to our favorite place.

Oh, how we have missed that nice little town. After last year's trip to perdition, I vowed never to return again. The Panthers 47-point defeat at the Regional Special Events Center still haunts me today, and not all of it has to do with the game.

Last year we had not even made it on the interstate yet and our voyage was already tainted. The unpleasant weather conditions sent our car into the I-57 on-ramp railing making it a fitting start to a wonderful night of Ohio Valley Conference basketball fun. It is kind of bad when you can make a game out of how many cars you see in the ditch on the way to Kentucky.

We arrived to a friendly parking lot attendant who happily ask: "You boys from Eastern?" Followed by, "I hope y'all lose tonight." Well buddy, you got your wish. I can't say I was surprised by his comments considering all the state of Kentucky has is college basketball and horse racing.

The basketball game I watched turned into a slam dunk contest. Murray State took advantage of fast-break after fast-break to give the crowd several poster shots.

Did the weather get any better on the way home? It sure didn't. Spinning out at 65 mph kept me wide awake until we arrived back in Charleston. Old Main never looked so good.

Now that I look in the face of round two against the Racers, I might be dreading Tuesday more than the Panthers. Maybe not. Forty-seven points is a whole lot and I'm not going to mention the fact Eastern has lost to Murray State in each of the last four contests. Oops, just did.

Lets hope both of us will be more prepared this time around.

I have started with four new tires on my car and a sand bag in the trunk. Eastern is going to need more than just one tire pumped up this time.

Henry Domercant cannot score 46 points every night so he will need someone else to contribute. Other players have proven themselves in the past, but not at this level of pressure. So lets hope they aren't overly pumped up or they will get popped in the first two minutes and be towed into next season.

Eastern also needs to get the sandbag known as the Racer fans out of its trunk.

The fans in Murray, as we have already discussed, love their basketball. The environment is going to be overwhelming for some, but the senior-filled Eastern roster needs to

MEN'S TRACK

A Panther three-peat

◆ Eastern wins third straight OVC Indoor track & field title in Lantz

By Matt Meinheit
SPORTS EDITOR

Everything went according to plan for Eastern in Lantz Fieldhouse this weekend at the Ohio Valley Conference Indoor Track & Field Championships as the team ran away with its third consecutive title at Lantz Arena.

With 197 team points, the Panthers left everyone else far behind them, leading the rest of the pack by at least 75 points. Eastern Kentucky finished a distance second with 122 points, followed by Southeast Missouri, 114, and Tennessee State, 113. Murray State and Morehead State limped in with 48 points and 16 points respectively, while Tennessee Tech and Tennessee-Martin failed to record any team points.

The Panthers' dominance was capitalized by the second to last event of the meet - the 3,000 meter run. Four of Eastern's seniors, Kyle O'Brien (8:31.15), Josh Vance (8:41.78), Andy Derks (8:45.96) and Jeff Jonaitis (8:47.65) runners finished first, second, third and fourth in the event respectively.

"We had some pretty big plans coming in and everything just went as planned," O'Brien said.

The win was sweetened by the fact all four of Eastern season took the top four spots on the podium.

"That was wonderful," O'Brien said. "We took a look at the heat coming in, and we knew it was possible."

O'Brien also won the 5,000 meter run, finishing less than three tenths of a second ahead of Jonaitis, who was followed by junior Jackson Johnson.

O'Brien was named Co-Athlete of the Meet along with Nick Horton of Tennessee State, Steve Maina (Eastern Kentucky) and Shelton Scott (Southeast Missouri).

Horton won the 200 meter (22.04) and the 400 meter (48.5) dashes and ran a leg on the winning 4 x 400 relay team. Two-time defending OVC champion Eastern senior Jarrod Macklin was



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Eastern sophomore Roger Driver (left) paces the pack during a short distance event Saturday at the Ohio Valley Conference Indoor Track & Field Championships in Lantz Fieldhouse. Driver fourth in the 400-meter dash.

not able to defend his title in the 400 against Horton because he is red-shirting this season.

Maina won the 800 (1:53.63) meter run and mile (4:16.28). Scott won the long jump (23'2 1/2") and triple jump (49'7").

Derks and Vance helped Eastern win the distance medley relay along with juniors Jermain Jones and Kevin Atkins.

The quartet finished over 12 second ahead of Eastern Kentucky's teams with a time of 10:20.05.

Jones claimed first place in the 60 meter dash with a time of 8.19.

Eastern head coach Tom Akers was named Coach of the Meet.

Akers was happy with his team's results.

"You're always happy when you win," Akers said. "If you're not happy when you win, something's wrong."

Akers gave a lot of credit to the distance crew, which dominated the meet.

"The distance crew did a fantastic job," Akers said. "They dominated the conference, no one even tried to battle them in the 3K and 5K."

O'Brien, Vance, Derks and Jonaitis' imminent departure at the end of the year did place a slight damper on the victory.

"I hope the freshmen were paying attention," cross country coach John McInerney said. "It's always tough (to lose four guys to graduation). They've done such great stuff for us. They went out the way we wanted them to."

MEN'S BASKETBALL

Domercant can't do it all

◆ O'Henry's 46 points aren't enough to beat Tennessee Tech

By Matthew Stevens
SPORTS REPORTER

In a contest representing the entire Panther season, Eastern guard Henry Domercant carried the team as far as he could Saturday night, but the Panthers fell at Tennessee Tech 97-84.

"The unbalance in the scoring was a big key in the game," Samuels said.

The loss became even more demoralizing after Murray State won 80-59 on the road against Tennessee-Martin moving the Racers (16-11, 9-7) into fourth place in the Ohio Valley Conference and the Panthers (14-14, 9-7) into fifth. The two teams' final standings send them to Murray for a rematch of last season's first round OVC Tournament game, which the Racers won 103-56.

"Going to Murray isn't fun but we are confident we can play well there," Samuels said.

In his last appearance at the Eblen Center in Cookeville, Tenn., Domercant broke the arena record with a career high 46 points on 12 of 20 shooting. It was the first time Domercant earned a career high during a Panther loss.

"Henry was moving very well without the ball and attacking the basket," Samuels said.

However, the rest of the Panthers only scored a total of 38 points with freshman Josh Gomes the only other Eastern player in double digits with 11.

Both teams shot the ball well at nearly 50 percent from the floor, but the key was Tech's ability to get five players in double digits and shut Domercant's teammates down.

"We simply couldn't guard them no matter what lineup we had in," Samuels said.

Because Tech head coach Mike Sutton started five seniors on Senior Night, junior guard

OVC Tournament pairings

First round (at higher seed)

No. 1 Austin Peay vs. No. 8 E. Kentucky,
7:30 p.m. Tuesday

No. 4 Murray State vs. No. 5 Eastern,
7 p.m. Tuesday

No. 2 vs. No. 7 SE Missouri,
6 p.m. Tuesday

No. 3 Tenn. Tech vs. No. 6 Tenn.-Martin,
7 p.m. Tuesday

Cameron Crisp, who started and in all 28 of Tech's games prior to Saturday, came off the bench to earn a double-double with 26 points and 11 assists on nine of 17 from the field and five of eight from beyond the arc.

"It was a real hostile environment with Senior Night and they had a high energy level," Samuels said.

After the opening tip, both teams went back and forth until Tech went on a 14-6 run to increase its early lead to seven and never trailed for the rest of the evening.

With 7:55 left in the first half, Tech held a modest 28-17 lead, but went on a 14-8 run while senior Damien Kinloch was having trainers retaped his right ankle.

The Golden Eagles rode the momentum from those runs to a 46-29 halftime while off rebounding the Panthers 24-11 in the half.

"We really have to make a better effort to keep people off the boards to defeat anybody," Samuels said.

The Golden Eagles came out of the locker room to increase their advantage to 22 points within the five minutes of the final half while Eastern switched to a 2-3 zone defense.

The Panthers responded by going on a 14-0



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Freshman guard Josh Gomes puts up a shot during a recent game. Gomes scored 11 points Saturday against Tennessee Tech.