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ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT

Nadler to temporarily fill McDuffie’s position



McDuffie

President hopes to bring fresh leadership to department

By Marco Santana
Editor in Chief

Note: A version of this story was originally published at www.den-news.com on Tuesday.

Eastern’s athletic director, who was recently named in a sexual harassment complaint, was relieved of his duties and placed on 12 months paid administrative leave last Monday afternoon.

Rich McDuffie, who was set to begin his 11th year as athletic director, will be replaced by Dan Nadler, the vice president for student affairs, on a temporary basis until the uni-

versity names an interim director of athletics.

“(McDuffie) may be assigned special projects yet to be determined by the president,” said Vicki Woodard, the school’s director of media relations.

Under Eastern regulations, employees who have been with the school five years must be given a year’s notice before they can be ter-

minated.

President William Perry held a meeting with the athletic department Tuesday morning.

During the meeting, he asked the staff to send recommendations to him for a replacement athletic director and to list the pros and cons of each candidate.

SEE MCDUFFIE, PAGE 2

COMPLAINT

Perry has not stated whether or not McDuffie’s relief is related to the sexual harassment investigation which concluded on Aug. 8.

MOVE-IN DAY

A little moving help from above

Hauling boxes in got a lot easier for one family when President Perry decided to help

By Scott Richey
Online Editor

Frank Omiecinski stood by his car looking after the usual move-in day fare of personal effects while he waited for his daughter Megan to return from check-in procedures at Carman Hall.

Eastern President William Perry and Dan Nadler, vice president for student affairs, approached the father of five from Evergreen Park as he waited in the parking lot.

Perry said he walked up to Omiecinski because he bears a striking resemblance to former Chicago Bears head coach Mike Ditka. Perry said he himself does not resemble former Bears’ lineman of the same name, William “The Fridge” Perry.

At this time, however, Omiecinski did not know whom he was talking with. Perry introduced himself simply as Bill. It was not until Omiecinski asked what the two gentlemen he was talking with did on campus that he learned they were both top Eastern administrators.

Perry said he did not have the intention of introducing himself as the university president to students and their families.

“I’m Bill Perry, and that’s who I’ve always been and that’s the way I like to relate to people,” he said. “If it comes out in the course of the conversation I’m the president, that’s fine.”

The look on Omiecinski’s face was one of shock as he learned Bill Perry was also President Perry.

SEE MOVING, PAGE 5

THE QUAD GETS ISLAND FEVER



NORA MABERRY | DEN

A steel drum band performed at this year’s annual “Quakin’ in the Quad”. This year’s event drew in many students with a variety of events.



The annual “Quakin’ in the Quad” was given an island face lift this year with a steel drum performance, slip n’ slides, island-themed games and free leis.

By Taylor Thompson
Staff Reporter

Students at Eastern started out their school year with a touch of island fever. No, it was not malaria or any other tropical illness, but a night of fun, games, music

and food. Did you catch the fever?

The annual “Quakin’ in the Quad” event was held Saturday in the South Quad. The rhythmic beat of the steel drum band and the smell of free food lured many students to check out the activities. At the island-themed event students were able to enjoy pizza, a bingo game for prizes and tropical smoothies.

“They definitely have the theme down and it’s very refreshing with the live band,” said senior merchandising major Joseph Reyes. “The atmosphere makes it easier for the students to mingle and make new friends at Eastern.”

The water attractions drew a large crowd.

SEE QUAKIN’, PAGE 2

MOVE-IN WEEKEND’S TIME LEI OF EVENTS AS THEY HAPPENED

Thursday, Aug. 16

- Students returned to campus for the first time since the Spring semester

Friday, Aug. 17

- Freshmen/Transfer welcome
- Up All Nite: Lites Out

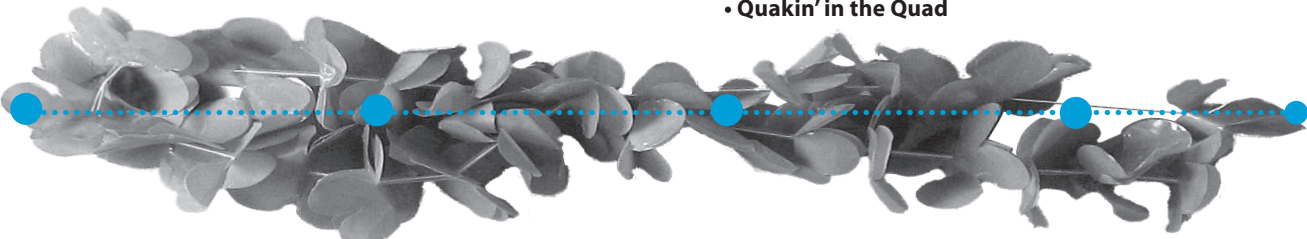
Saturday, Aug. 18

- Prowl Service Project: Car painting for kids
- Eastern scavenger hunt
- Quakin’ in the Quad

Sunday, Aug. 19

- First Night

Monday, Aug. 20
Classes Begin



WEATHER OUTLOOK

TODAY
81° | 70°
T-Storms



TUESDAY
82° | 71°
T-Storms



WEDNESDAY
91° | 70°
Partly Cloud



MCDUFFIE, FROM PAGE 1

Nadler to take over temporarily

Pam Collins, Eastern's director of athletic development, filed a complaint with the office of civil rights April 2 against McDuffie.

An investigation concluded in July that there was not enough evidence to follow up on the allegations. On Aug. 1, Perry sent a letter to the athletic department staff offering support for the "thorough and impartial investigation."

Perry did not clarify what had changed since that time, when

McDuffie was expected to keep his job.

"I have been here 1 ½ months," Perry said. "I make decisions based on multiple factors. It's time for a change."

Board members for the Panther Club, which supports Eastern athletics by helping raise funds, met with Perry and the vice president for external relations, Jill Nilsen, on Aug. 6 to express their thoughts and concerns on the matter.

Club president Michael Smith said the board supported the decision to replace McDuffie and wanted to help shift the focus of the athletic department.

"It's going back to where it should be," he said. "With the athletes and the coaches."

Perry's goal is to name an interim athletic director within a couple of months. The interim will come from within the university but from outside of the athletic department.

QUAKIN', FROM PAGE 1

Quad Quakin' brings island fever to campus



NORA MABERRY | DEN

A student takes part in the painting flying discs activity that was available at this year's "Quakin' in the Quad."

The slip 'n slide and water slide provided a way to cool off.

It took a little coercion from the staff hosts in order to get students to join in on the wet fun, but the students were unable to stop once they started.

Besides the steel drum band East-

ern provided other forms of entertainment.

Hula dancers and a machete blade dancer also showed their talents. They preformed separate times throughout the event.

Students were also able to decorate Frisbees and have a picture

keychain made as a little token of the event.

"I think this is an excellent gathering," junior political science major Nathaniel Leitner said. "Love the band and this is a great last get-together for the students before classes begin."

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QUAKIN' SLIDESHOW

University Board continued its calendar of events for the first weekend with an island-themed Quakin' in the Quad Saturday night. Island music and hula dancers were two of the themed features.



KATEY MITCHELL PODCAST

Senior Campus Reporter Katey Mitchell spoke with freshman Emily Senteno during move-in Thursday morning to find out what it's like to be living away from home for the first time.



PERRY HELPS STUDENTS

Eastern President William Perry visited with students and their families, experienced textbook rental and helped one freshman move into her new room Thursday at Carman Hall.

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Packing up and moving in

Leaving home an emotional experience for some students

By Katey Mitchell
and Jordan Crook
Staff Reporters

August 16 marked the start of another school year as students of all ages packed up their belongings and moved to Eastern.

For some, it was routine, coming back for another, and perhaps, final semester. For others, it was a hectic day filled with the emotion of leaving family behind.

Senior Matt Unterfenger has seen it all before. The chemistry major has moved into Ford Hall each of the last two years and said he is used to the hustle and bustle of moving day.

Unterfenger said he does not think about his life at home when he moves in, but thinks anxiously about school in the weeks preceding the semester.

Like many seniors, he said he is ready to move into the “real world” and be done with college.

Freshmen Rich Rinaldi, Spencer Leffelman and Charles Maurice are excited about the start of a life of independence.

The men applied for dining service jobs during summer orientation and were allowed early move-in to Thomas Hall for work.

They said they are looking forward to their newfound freedom.

For Maurice, of Mt. Prospect, and Rinaldi, of Frankfort, moving to Charleston is a culture shock.

“Last night I biked out to explore the area and, without going very far, I biked out to the forest outside the city,” said Maurice. “It was awesome. Living in the city, you can’t do that.”



AMIR PRELLBERG | DEN

Students and parents unload their cars and storage units and move them into their rooms Thursday, Aug. 17 at Carman Hall. A total of 581 students moved into Carman on Thursday.

Both are excited to come down to a smaller community.

For Leffelman, the move from Mindota to Charleston meant living in a bigger city.

Each of the men, while excited about living on their own for the first time, had concerns about the college workload.

Maurice said his high school teachers told him college would be intimidating.

Students are not the only ones getting used to new surroundings.

Max Sweeney, also a freshman, had his parents help him move into Carman Hall Thursday.

This is his first time away from home for more than a week. He said

he was nervous about meeting new people and being away from family. However, he is looking forward to having fun at Eastern.

Laurie Sweeney, his mother, has adjusted well to the idea of her son entering college. Max is her first child to move away from home.

She is happy for him but is also upset he is leaving.

“It’s kind of hard,” said Laurie. “It’s exciting because you know what it’s going to be like for him, but sad because there will be an empty place in the house.”

“It’s like standing in line for a rollercoaster and you get that feeling in your stomach that’s both exciting and apprehensive.”

NUMBER OF STUDENTS CHECKING IN ON MOVE-IN DAY – THURSDAY, AUG. 16.

McKinney Hall – 39
Weller Hall – 38
Pemberton Hall – 72
Stevenson Hall – 78
Lincoln Hall – 56
Douglas Hall – 84
Carman Hall – 581
Andrews Hall – 250
Lawson Hall – N/A
Thomas Hall – 233
Taylor Hall – 200*
Ford Hall – 60
University Court – 120

*approximately

CAMPUS BRIEFS

Job/internship workshop offered this weekend

Eastern’s Career Service Office will conduct a one-day workshop for students wishing to develop job search and internship skills.

The Career Boot Camp will be Saturday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union and will provide students with a training manual, lunch and an ice cream social to conclude the event.

Students are required to register for the workshop and can do so by calling Career Services at 581-2412 or in person in Room 1301 in the Human Services Center.

Textbook rental hours extended through Thursday

Textbook Rental Service will remain open from 8 a.m. till 7 p.m. today through Thursday to accommodate students.

The regular hours of 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. will resume Friday.

Rocky Horror auditions to be held at Charleston Alley Theatre

The Charleston Alley Theatre will have open auditions for Richard O’Brien’s *The Rocky Horror Picture Show*.

Auditions will be Aug. 27-28 at 7 p.m. at the Charleston Alley Theatre, 718 Monroe Ave.

Those auditioning should bring a prepared 1-minute monologue and 16 bars of music to sing. Cold auditions will also be accommodated with provided script reading and well-known music.

Comfortable clothing and shoes should be worn and a personal schedule and headshot should be brought if possible.

The show will be performed Oct. 19-22 and again October 26-29.

For more information, call the Charleston Alley Theatre at 345-2287.

Booth exhibit to raise awareness of art programs in schools

Art from students from throughout east-central Illinois will be on display at Booth Library this week.

The exhibition, titled “Cultivating Creativity 2006-2007,” will showcase the work of 44 students from 44 different schools.

Each of the schools’ art program put together their part of the exhibit, which is to help raise awareness of art programs in schools and their importance.

– Hayley Clark, News Editor

ON CAMPUS

TODAY

Event | Honors Ice Cream Social
Time | 7:30 p.m.
Location | Taylor Dining Hall
More info | 581-2017

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‘Lights out’ but many awake at the Union

Music and dancing, comedy and karaoke attract students to Up All Nite

By Jane Ruppert
Staff Reporter

Karaoke.
Free prizes.
John Bush’s comedy.

There were several reasons students attended Up All Nite this weekend.

But laughing at others showing off their dance moves was an unforeseen bonus.

“It’s funny to watch people dance,” said freshman biology major Mathew Edwards. “It’s fun. The DJ is good.”

The University Board event Up All Nite kicked off the semester Friday night, giving students a chance to relax and leave with prizes.

The event, held in the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union from 8 p.m. to 1 a.m., featured a black light lit ballroom, cosmic bowling and endless neon-glowing accessories and face paint.



ROBBIE WROBLEWSKI | DEN

Tiandra Burns, a freshman Physics major, shows off her dance moves at a dance off during Up All Nite: Lites Out, Friday night in the Grand Ballroom.

A DJ played dance music in the pitch-black room, lit by 3 large black lights and the flashes of neon-glowing necklaces and bracelets.

Edwards started off the night by playing pool in the basement of the union, before checking out the

dance party.

The event also hosted three video game tournaments and a showing of the movie “Fracture.”

There was karaoke in the Grand Ballroom and the Health Education Resource Center wellness booth was set up offering massages

“It’s funny to watch people dance”

— Mathew Edwards
attendee at Up All Nite on Aug. 17

and information in the Alumni Lounge.

Heather Sea, a sophomore education major, attended the dance party and planned to attend comedian John Bush’s performance, which took place in the Grand Ballroom.

Bush has appeared on “Late Night with Conan O’Brien.” He has worked with comedians such as Adam Sandler and Chris Rock.

Krystin Conboy, a senior early childhood education major, said she came to Up All Nite for the free prizes.

Many students stopped by the Bridge Lounge to pick up an air-brushed pillowcase and try their luck at the prize wheel to win prizes including jewelry, movie tickets and T-shirts.

The Up All Nite events are hosted by the University Board and made their debut last fall.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Putting the customer first

Returning to Charleston to visit friends moving back onto campus looked promising.

After moving to Carbondale for a job after graduation, I’ve come to appreciate what Charleston offered: a mid-size town with a small-town atmosphere.

Driving down Lincoln Avenue, some improvements are highly noticeable and make the main drag more attractive.

Decrepit old buildings have been torn down or replaced with new buildings such as Gateway Liquors. And the new McDonald’s looks amazing.

But there’s where the glory of the expanded fast food restaurant ends.

While the décor has greatly improved, it seems like employees have forgotten the importance of customer service while the restaurant was closed for the summer.

Service seemed slower than usual, but that’s not a big deal. The place was packed and everything. It was annoying, but not a huge deal.

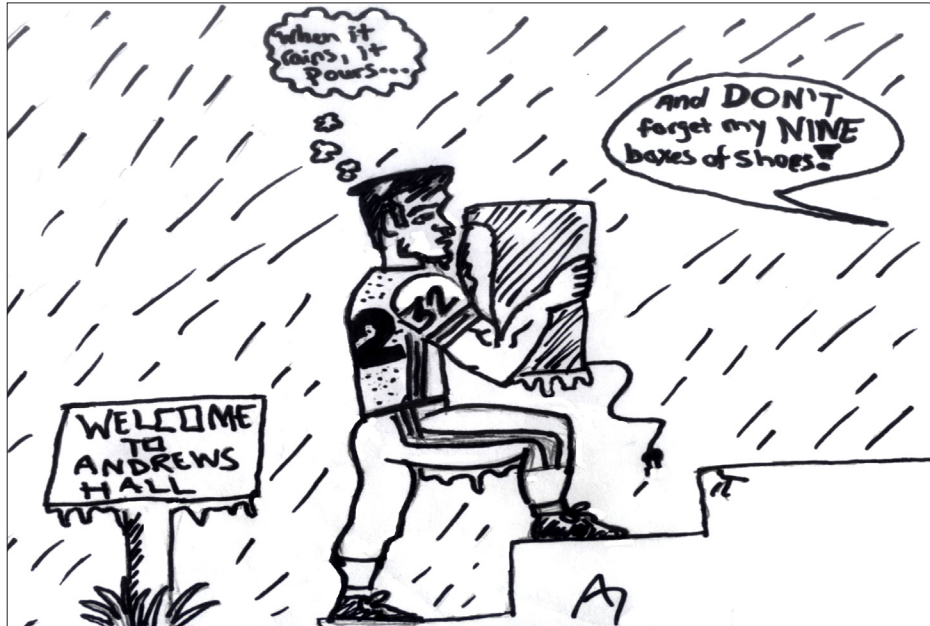
The problem was when my guest told one of the employees, “This is the worst service I’ve ever had at McDonald’s,” the employee kind of shrugged and said, “Yeah.”

I would have asked to speak to a manager and officially file a complaint, but my food would have gotten colder than it already was when they served me.

Don’t get me wrong. The new restaurant looks great aesthetically and is already showing an effect on the economy of Charleston. All I’m saying is we all need to remember that in the service industry, the customer should come first.

Adam Testa – 2007 alumnus

DRAWN FROM THE NEWS | ADAM TEDDER



STAFF EDITORIAL

Eastern welcomes
students to campus

Welcome back to Eastern!

The Daily Eastern News would like to welcome all new and returning students back to campus for an exciting new year.

We would also like to commend all the Panther Pals, Faculty Fellows and staff who worked hard to move all of the students and their thousands of TVs and refrigerators into the residence halls.

Eastern prides itself in its friendliness and it shows in the willingness of veteran students to help move thousands of complete strangers in to the halls. This friendliness especially showed this year because in addition to the backbreaking work and the exhausting stairs and stress, a storm brewed and soaked the campus. However, with much determination the Panther Pals soldiered on in true EIU fashion.

This was a fantastic welcome to new students and truly shows how much we want them to join our campus. The DEN commends all of your hard work and thanks each student and staff member for a great move-in despite Mother Nature’s agenda.

With our return to campus the Opinions page has a fresh look and is ready for new things.

The editorial page is not just a forum for the views of the editorial

board and columnists in the journalism department. Anyone in the Eastern community can write a column to express their opinion on a topic.

Wednesdays are reserved for guest columnists to have their work published in the DEN.

New this year is an op-ed section called “Let’s Give Them Something to Talk About” that will run on Fridays. A leading Democrat and Republican on campus will take on how they feel about a topic and readers are invited to submit their own opinion on the topic to be published in Friday’s paper.

This week’s topic “Is governor Rod Blagojevich doing his job with the current state of Illinois’ budget?”

Feedback can be 100-250 words and must be submitted before 4 p.m. on Thursday to DENopinions@gmail.com to run in Friday’s paper.

Readers can also submit letters to the editor to that email at any time. Submitted work must be brought to the newsroom office at 1811 Buzzard hall with identification or emailed from your EIU email address. It is DEN policy not to run letters without the author’s name.

EDITORIAL POLICY

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STAFF

Mistakes
are a part
of learningMARCO
SANTANA

It is a well known saying in the journalism department made famous by one of our professors: “The news does not sleep on the weekend.”

Nor does it wait for the semester to begin.

As news broke of complaints of sexual harassment against Eastern’s athletic director last week, The Daily Eastern News had to scramble into activity.

The few staff members in town had to weigh how to cover the story and had to decide when to make the first move.

But when president William Perry relieved Rich McDuffie of his duties Monday, the decision to act was made for us.

All of a sudden, we had to report. And once we reported, as journalists, we were obligated to follow up for our readers.

At a moment’s notice, we could be dropping everything, changing all of our plans and completely scrapping our next day’s issue because a new story is breaking as we’re trying to meet deadline.

Because of this, we begin our semester with a training week, one week before the long haul begins. We hit on as many aspects of journalism as we can during training.

We do this is to try and avoid making mistakes. Unfortunately, however, mistakes happen.

Consider this: if you make a mistake on an exam, it is reflected in your grade. But who knows about it? You and your parents, maybe.

However, if a DEN staffer makes a mistake, it is out there for everybody to see and criticize.

These mistakes range from choosing the wrong story type to keep a reader interested to committing two of journalism’s biggest sins: misquoting a source or misspelling a source’s name.

We have thousands of readers and many of them will catch mistakes and point them out. But we don’t ask for sympathy. This is what The DEN is. It is a collection of stories assigned, written, edited and designed by students.

We chose our majors and one thing that we knew coming in is that if we did make mistakes, they would be talked about. As a newspaper, we try and correct those mistakes. Several times throughout the semester, we will run corrections on Page 3. If they are not pointed out to us, however, they can’t be a part of the learning process.

That is why if you find a mistake, I ask that you contact me or our news editor, Hayley Clark, directly. My phone number is 581-7936. If you prefer e-mail, send one to deneic@gmail.com or dennewsdesk@gmail.com.

Only when we open a line of communication, will we have a chance to get better. And that is what every student at Eastern and The DEN tries to do.

BEATING IN THE NEW SEMESTER



AMIR PRELLBERG | DEN

Freshmen engineering major Kyle Rauch drums at First Night Sunday night in the South Quad. Athletic teams, greek organizations and student government were wat the event.

Perry impresses parents on Move-In Day

MOVING, FROM PAGE 1

As the conversation of two men getting to know each other continued, both Perry and Nadler offered their assistance in helping Megan Omiecinski, a freshman early childhood education major, move into her third-floor room in Carman.

Omiecinski said he thought it was fantastic that the president of the university was out on campus helping with the move-in process.

“I’m glad I had a chance to find out what they did here because he didn’t come up and say that, he just came up as a friend,” Omiecinski said. “It’s just remarkable,” he laughed; “He’s ready to pitch in.”

Megan Omiecinski had no idea the president of the university and one of its vice presidents would be around to help students move in.

“It’s really nice and very thoughtful that they’re helping move in,” she said.

Her mother Sue Omiecinski shared the same sentiment about her daughter’s special move-in help.

“I’m totally impressed,” she said. “This is fantastic that they’re helping out. It’s good PR. It welcomes us to the school.”



AMIR PRELLBERG | DEN

Eastern president William Perry (right) and Frank Omiecinski (far left) help Frank’s freshman daughter, Megan, move her stuff into Carman Hall on Move-In Day.

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Ford Heights man charged with dogfighting, pit bulls seized

The Associated Press

FORD HEIGHTS — A 48-year-old suburban Chicago man was charged with dogfighting after local authorities said they recovered three pit bulls living in filthy conditions from his residence.

"There was feces and urine strewn around the yard, garage and driveway," said Cook County sheriff's police spokeswoman Penny Mateck.

Aaron Hardy, 48, was charged with six counts of felony dogfighting and one count of providing a struc-

ture for dogfighting. He was ordered jailed on \$100,000 bond Saturday.

Hardy and 30-year-old Terrell Hester, who lived at the same residence, were arrested Friday. Cook County sheriff's police executed a search warrant for animal cruelty, Mateck said.

Alleged Chicago mobster denies racketeering charges

CHICAGO — He made big-money deals in Florida and Las Vegas real estate. FBI agents secretly taped him whispering advice to the head

of a \$1 billion pension fund and discussing Wall Street Journal articles.

Yet Joseph "Joey the Clown" Lombardo lived in a basement apartment and now claims he's broke.

He told a jury last week that his only job at the time he was advising the Teamsters Central States Pension Fund was running a floating craps game. But he flatly denied federal prosecutors' claims that he's a Chicago mobster.

Lombardo - along with convicted loan shark Frank Calabrese, 70, convicted jewel thief Paul Schiro,

70, reputed mob boss James Marcello, 65, and retired Chicago policeman Anthony Doyle, 62 - is on trial in an alleged racketeering conspiracy that included gambling, extortion, loan sharking and 18 long-unsolved murders.

Authorities identify man shot in domestic dispute

MARYVILLE — Authorities say they've identified a 36-year-old St. Louis man as the person fatally shot by a Maryville police officer during a domestic disturbance.

Madison County Coroner Stephen Nonn says David Corbett died after being shot in the chest.

State Police Lieutenant Mark Bramlett says Corbett allegedly stabbed his ex-wife with a knife at her home before she was able to run to a neighbor's house and call for help.

He then allegedly shot at police responding to reports of a domestic disturbance.

Bramlett says Corbett allegedly fired a gun, hitting a neighbor's garage window, before being shot by police.

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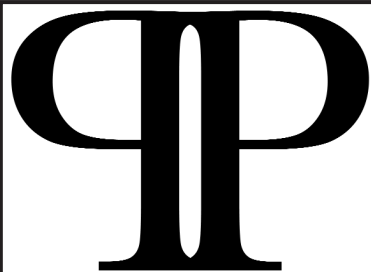
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WEIRD FROM THE WIRE

Virginia for lovers, not heart symbols

Tourism agency to ditch gang gesture from ad campaign

The Associated Press

RICHMOND, Va. — Virginia is still for lovers, but the state's tourism agency will eliminate images of people making heart symbols with their hands in its upcoming advertising campaign because the gesture is also used by a violent street gang.

The Virginia is for Lovers "Live Passionately" campaign will remove images of models making the hand gesture, one of several signs associated with the Chicago-based Gangster Dis-

ciples, Virginia Tourism Corp. officials said Friday. The gesture shows thumbs and index fingers formed into a heart.

"Our intent was to show people using their hands to make a heart to signify 'Virginia is for Lovers,' " the state's longtime tourism slogan, the agency's president Alisa Bailey said in a statement. "For the majority of people, the heart sign is a symbol of love — and the campaign's images intended to convey a love of travel and a love of Virginia."

At first, tourism officials thought the gang was a small group in South Carolina and continued with the ads.

Then the agency received e-mails this week pointing

out that the gesture is flashed by members of Gangster Disciples, also known as Black Gangster Disciples.

The group is known for its large-scale crack-cocaine operations, and was featured in a chapter of the best-seller "Freakonomics" in which a sociology graduate student gained the trust of gang members to learn about the group's operational structure.

"Out of respect to those who have concerns about the use of this symbol, we will adjust the creative images in our ad campaign to eliminate any further misinterpretation of the heart/hand symbol," Bailey's statement said. "We regret if anyone interpreted the symbol as anything other

than a symbol of love as was intended."

The tourism agency has been running selected ads to preview its "Live Passionately" campaign, but the full campaign doesn't roll out until spring, spokeswoman Tamra Talmadge-Anderson said. "So now we have got time to make adjustments" before the formal launch, she said.

Bailey has said that about \$400,000 was spent on developing the campaign, excluding the purchase of ad time on broadcast outlets. The ad was designed by Virginia Beach-based BCF, which also has done work for the Washington Redskins, the Discovery Channel and Amelia Island, Fla.

WRESTLING FROM PAGE 12

Eastern wrestling gets cut for low APR

“Coach McCausland could not have done any more to help grades besides actually doing the work for us,” said sophomore wrestler Ed Carpenter. “Too bad a few undisciplined kids had to ruin it for him.”

Eastern president William Perry took he position July 1, and immediately was confronted with the reaction to the wrestling program being cut.

Perry stayed silent for his first couple of weeks about the decision until he made an official statement on the subject himself on July 12 stating that he would not revisit the decision made by the university.

“I felt like I needed to look at this,” Perry said. “I received several e-mails asking me to reverse the de-

cision.”

Perry said he sympathized with those opposed to the decision, but after researching the matter himself, decided he would not change the decision.

Not all the wrestlers on the squad suffered academically. Junior wrestler Greg Perz was named to the 2007 National Wrestling Coaches Association Academic All- American squad. Perez was named to the squad in 2006 and has a 3.73 cumulative GPA and had the 11th-highest GPA of the 57 wrestlers honored this year.

“He’s a great student and a great wrestler,” McDuffie said. “But he’s a part of a group and that group has been judged. It’s not my judgment, it’s the NCAA’s judgment.”

“Coach McCausland could not have done any more to help grades besides actually doing the work for us.”

—Ed Carpenter
sophomore wrestler

The NCAA’s judgment could include punishment for the entire athletic department, McDuffie said.

If a Division I team is cited four times the NCAA puts the team on restricted membership status,

McDuffie said.

If an institution is unable to correct the problems in their program they are placed on correspondent membership and then the entire program loses all membership privileges in the NCAA, including postseason play, McDuffie added.

“You face a decision,” McDuffie said. “Do you potentially put the entire athletic department in jeopardy? I don’t think so.”

McDuffie waited to make the final decision until the NCAA released its three-year report and spring semester grades were released.

“Neither of them was very pretty,” he said.

The wrestling team had a spring GPA of 2.63, the second-lowest of

any Eastern sport. Men’s basketball had the lowest GPA at 2.60.

“I really think that the GPAs issue was just an excuse to get rid of us,” said Kenny Robertson, a three-time qualifier for the national championships during his career at Eastern. Robertson used his last year of athletic eligibility this past season.

The decision was made by McDuffie and former Eastern President Lou Hencken and had been discussed for a few months, McDuffie said.

Neither McDuffie nor Hencken told the wrestling team the program was in jeopardy of being cut because of their academic performance, McDuffie said.

SUCCESS FROM PAGE 12

Eastern needs success to beat bad reputation

McDuffie was relieved of his duties as of August 13 after a decision was made by President William Perry to find new leadership for the athletic department.

This decision came after an investigation that concluded August 8 that involved McDuffie and sexual harassment complaint, though there was not enough evidence made in the investigation to say McDuffie was guilty of any such claim.

It seems like with the recent events, and an inevitable AD candidate search on the way, the spotlight will shine on athletic department for several months, rather than on the athletes where it belongs.

“Right now, their best weapon to avoid the spotlight would be to count on the success of the student athletes and programs.”

—Adam Tedder
sports editor

Though it sounds as though I’m trying not to give the athletic department and faculty their due, it is quite the opposite.

They do deserve their credit, but

this is not the attention they are looking for nor need.

Right now, their best weapon to avoid the spotlight would be to count on the success of the student athletes and programs.

It seems like the only way out of this mess.

And the sooner the better.

Fall sports will have the first crack at amounting to new highs of success.

Football needs to at least match the success it had last year by making the post-season again.

Soccer for both men’s and women’s teams would also have to go back to their post-season tournaments and

make it past the first round.

The men’s team finished with 11 victories last season as well as a victory in the Missouri Valley Conference Tournament.

They have a good chance at repeating that success with nine starters expected to return to the team.

The women’s soccer team also had a good season last year.

The women’s team fell in the semi-finals last season to Moorehead State in the Ohio Valley Conference Tournament.

If both teams repeated their success and possibly they could also draw in a new crowd of fans and potential recruits.

But these are just a few sports and the weight will not just fall on the 2007 Fall teams or even on the Winter or Spring teams of these upcoming seasons.

It may take a few years.

But the overall success of the athletic programs will eventually wash the bad taste out of the public’s mouth.

Though hoping for success of Eastern’s athletic teams is nothing new and a bit of a no-brainer, right now, it appears as though it is the only way that Eastern may divert the attention off of the athletic department and put it back on to the athletes.

FOES FROM PAGE 12

Familiar faces return as foes

The current roster is filled with underclassmen as it has five freshmen, six sophomores, one junior and two seniors.

She said the younger girls have changed the environment by not bringing their frustrations into the gym and not taking them out as well.

Bennett said she liked the numbers she saw her team put up.

She said she was not surprised by her team’s performance, as this is what she has been getting day in and day out at practice.

“Statistically, we did some very good things,” she said.

Returning senior Eliza Zwetler had a solid match with 17 kills and a .424 hitting percentage.

The Panthers had their best stats in game two when they had a .531 hitting percentage and only 2 errors.

Welch led the alumni team with 7 kills and a .130 overall hitting average.

She said she was impressed with how this year’s roster was shaping up.

“It was fun to compete

“I knew most of the girls from the alumni team. It was a lot of fun and it was good to get some variety of players, instead of playing against ourselves.”

—Shaina Boylan
sophomore volleyball player

against them since I’ve already played with them,” Welch said. “They have improved so much. They’re fast, and they have improved on their communication since last season.”

Both Welch and Brown said they see this current squad going far this season.

“I know they’re ranked 9th, but I don’t think the deserve that,” Welch said.

“They’re a younger and faster team. I think they’ll make it to the OVC Tournament this year.”

The New York Times Crossword

Edited by Will Shortz

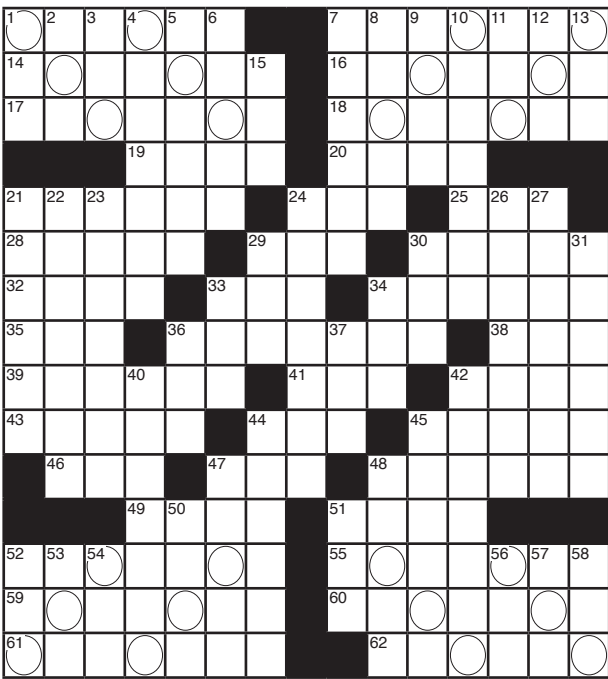
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NATIONAL SPORTS | ROUNDUP



SCOTT STRAZZANTE | MCT

The Cardinals’ Albert Pujols disputes an out called by home plate umpire Ted Barrett after a wild pitch by Chicago’s Carlos Marmol in the sixth inning on Saturday. Sunday’s game between the two teams was postponed because of the rain.

Cubs-Cardinals game postponed because of rain

The Associated Press

CHICAGO — Sunday night’s game between the St. Louis Cardinals and Chicago Cubs was postponed following a 1-hour, 48-minute rain delay in the bottom of the third inning. A makeup date was not immediately announced.

The game was scoreless. Cubs ace Carlos Zambrano, who agreed to a five-year, \$91 million contract Friday, retired all nine batters he faced. Chicago’s Matt Murton beat out an infield single for the game’s only hit to start the bottom of the third. Moments later it began to pour. It had rained most of the day in the Chicago area but tapered off and then stopped in time for the game’s first pitch to go off as scheduled.

Seattle sweeps White Sox

SEATTLE — Jose Guillen sparked the Mariners offense with a two-run homer in the first inning and finished with five RBIs as Seattle swept the slumping Chicago White Sox 11-5 on Sunday.

Guillen and the Mariners leading the wild card by a half-game over the Yankees and two games back of the Angels in the AL West will play 17 of their next 20 games on the road, with the likes of Detroit, New York and Los Angeles looming on the schedule.

“It’s going to be very interesting to see,” Guillen said. “This is the time everybody has to be ready and rested because every game is going to be very important.”

Guillen, known for his fiery attitude and run-ins at previous stops in his career, has been a model citizen in the clubhouse and the punch missing from Seattle’s offense in recent seasons.

His homer on the first pitch from Jon Garland was his 17th of the season, clanging off the fence in the back of the White Sox bullpen. Adrian Beltre added a solo shot two batters later, and everyone in the Mariners’ lineup except for Raul Ibanez and Jose Lopez had at least one hit by the time Garland was pulled with two outs in the third.

“This is a team where it isn’t one guy doing everything, carrying the team,” Guillen said. “You guys can see, every day it’s a different player. Everybody is contributing.”

Garland (8-9) gave up 10 hits and 10 runs only five were earned and fell to 0-2 with a 10.80 ERA in his four starts this month. It was the second time Garland failed to last three innings this month, getting pulled after just four outs against the Yankees on Aug. 2.

The White Sox have lost eight straight for the first time since May 15-23, 2001, and went winless on a road trip of more than six games for the first time since the 1991 season.

“Besides a bad game, it was a bad road trip,” manager Ozzie Guillen said. “When you go on a road trip and your closer shows up in one game, that’s how bad we played on this road trip. Our club is real frustrated.”

White Sox sign Myers

SEATTLE — The White Sox signed veteran left-handed reliever Mike Myers on Sunday, and he will join the team on Monday in Chicago.

Myers was designated for assignment earlier this month by the New York Yankees. He will receive a prorated contract for the rest of this season that includes an option for next year. The team plans to make a roster move on Monday. Myers was 3-0 with a 2.66 ERA in 55 games with the Yankees. He had been struggling against left-handed batters, who hit .312 against him this season, and that was the main reason behind his release by the Yankees.

Chicago will be Myers’ ninth team.

Sky lose season finale

NEW YORK — Shameka Christon scored eight of her 15 points in the final 6 minutes to lead the New York Liberty to a 58-52 victory against the Chicago Sky on Sunday.

Dominique Canty scored 14 points for Chicago (14-20), which had a nine-win improvement from its inaugural season last year.

WOMEN’S SOCCER | BUTLER 1, EASTERN 0

Eastern loses on a breakaway

Panthers drop first preseason game

By Kevin Murphy
Staff Reporter

Freshman goalie Kaylin Lorbert blocked one of Angie Muir’s shots but not the other.

Lorbert blocked the first shot from a Butler breakaway, but Muir scored from 20 yards out on a rebound in the 86th minute as Butler defeated Eastern 1-0 on Saturday.

“I came out for the rebound, and she kind of beat me to it,” Lorbert said.

Lorbert, who saw her first collegiate competition in Indianapolis, made eight saves and started the sec-



Senior Kellie Floyd

BUTLER 1, EASTERN 0

•Key performers: Angie Muir, Bulldogs, 1 goal, six shots, four shots on goal; Kaylin Lorbert, Panthers, 1 goal against, 45 minutes, eight saves

•Next match: Eastern against Indiana-Purdue-Indianapolis, 4 p.m., Aug. 25, Lakeside Field

ond half against the Bulldogs.

“We were kind of caught in transition,” Eastern head coach Tim Nowak said.

Before Muir’s shots, Eastern had its best opportunity to score when sophomore forward Rachel Hamilton centered a ball toward freshman forward Angela Ziemba. Ziemba and the other Panthers were not able to score, which led to the Butler breakaway.

“It was in the right spot,” Nowak said. “We just couldn’t get the shot off.”

Senior forward Kellie Floyd led the Panthers with two shots and

“It was in the right spot. We just couldn’t get the shot off.”

— Eastern head coach Tim Nowak on a missed scoring opportunity.

both of those shots were on goal. Floyd was last year’s co-Ohio Valley Conference player of the year.

Sophomore goalie Jenny Williams played the first half and made two saves. Williams was named to last year’s All-OVC Newcomer team.

Eastern struggled to put up the numbers. They managed six shots compared to Butler’s 21. Floyd’s two shots were the only ones that were on goal.

The other four were off target and did not hit the post.

Eastern will conclude its preseason against IUPUI at 4 p.m. on Aug. 25 at Lakeside Field.

SCOREBOARD

MEN’S SOCCER

Saturday	
Evans vs. Odds Alumni Match at Lakeside Field	
Goals by period	1 2 Tot
Odds	1 3 - 4
Evans	4 4 - 8

WOMEN’S SOCCER

Saturday	
Butler 1, Eastern 0	
Goals by period	1 2 Tot
Eastern	0 0 - 0
Butler	0 1 - 1
SCORING SUMMARY:	
Second Half	
2. 85:09 BU Muir, Angie	

VOLLEYBALL

Saturday	
Eastern 3, EIU Alumni 0	
	1 2 3
EIU Alumni	15 14 14
Eastern	30 30 30
Alumni Leaders— Kills: Welch 7, Kennedy 5; Digs: Kohlbecker 15, Vance 9; Assists: Vance 17	
Eastern Leaders— Kills: Zwettler, E. 17, Sopcie 7; Digs: Boylan 10, Zwettler, A. 19; Assists: Crabtree 30	
Team Blocks: ALM 3.0, EIU 4.0; Team hitting pct: ALM .010, EIU .393	

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FOOTBALL | NOTEBOOK

Smith's knee injury puts his season in limbo

Top running back out due to injury in spring season

By Matt Daniels
Staff Reporter

Norris Smith, Eastern's anticipated starting running back, could miss up to half the season with a knee injury, offensive coordinator Jorge Munoz said.

Smith is Eastern's leading returning rusher from last year after a stellar 2006 season. The 5-foot-9, 220-pound junior rushed for 656 yards and six touchdowns, splitting time with senior Vincent Webb Jr. Webb finished his career with 4,233 yards, the second-highest career rushing total in Eastern history.

"Norris brings a lot to the table," Munoz said. "Hopefully something happens where he can come back mid-season or beginning of the season. It's doubtful (that he could return at the start of the season), but there's a chance it could happen."

Look for junior Travorus Bess (5-8, 176), who redshirted the 2006 season, to take over at the No. 1 spot. Senior Ademola Adeniji (5-10, 207) and sophomore Ron Jordan (5-8, 173) should also split time in the backfield.

Adeniji has the most experience, having served as Webb's backup in 2004. After sitting out the 2005 season because of academic ineligibility, Adeniji rushed for 354 yards last year in a limited role.

"At least Ademola has played considerably," Eastern head coach Bob Spoo said. "He's a power runner. He's a tough guy who likes to mix it up. And it's good to have a player with that much experience returning at that position."

Spoo wouldn't specify when he anticipated Smith coming back – but is preparing for the worse.

"I'm planning on him missing the whole year, to be honest," Spoo said.



KARLA BROWNING | DEN

Junior running back Travorus Bess runs for a touchdown Sunday afternoon at O'Brien Stadium. Bess red-shirted last season and was the team's No. 2 rusher in 2005 with 87 carries for 318 yards. He averaged 26.5 yards a game in 2005. Bess also caught 15 passes for 495 yards and two touchdowns in 2005.

Inexperienced secondary becomes even weaker

Seymour Loftman was slated to be the team's only returning starter in the secondary.

But a shoulder injury and subsequent surgery this summer will force the junior free safety to miss the entire year.

Junior Adrian Arrington will take his place at safety while junior Ke'Andre Sams is slated at strong safety.

"I think our (defensive backs) have played better than we expected them to," Eastern defensive coordinator Roc Bellantoni said. "That doesn't mean we didn't expect anything out of them. I think they've exceeded our expectations."

Kesler's string of injuries start before the regular season

Junior wide receiver and kick returner Adam Kesler has had injuries flare up during each of his first two seasons. This year, however, the injuries to the 5-9, 180-pound Kesler started before the season.

Kesler tore his anterior cruciate ligament (ACL) in his right knee on Aug. 5 and is expected to miss the season.

Kesler was one of the few returning wide receivers with any previous game experience. He caught 10 passes for 54 yards his freshman year and three for 13 yards last year at an inside slot position.

With Kesler's injury, returning All-American Micah Rucker and se-

nior Alicus Nozinor, who was academically ineligible for the 2006 season, are the only two returning wide receivers that have caught a pass in an Eastern game.

And while the senior wide receiver hasn't practiced all spring while he recovers from a sprained left foot he suffered on Aug. 5.

"We won't be very deep at (that) position going into the fall," Spoo said. "But hopefully, as time goes on, those younger guys will come along and provide us with some depth."

Reeder stands out at the end situational scrimmage

The Panthers held their third and final scrimmage of fall camp on Sunday. It was a situational scrimmage,

with the offense working on certain scenarios that would happen during a game.

"We executed a lot of special situations today that we needed to get done," Spoo said.

Jordan scored on an eight-yard run up the middle, while Bess also scored on a 20-yard run.

Returning quarterback Cole Stinson connected with senior tight end Jordan Campanella for a five-yard touchdown pass. But it was backup quarterback Bodie Reeder who had the best throw during Sunday's scrimmage.

Reeder hit redshirt freshman wide receiver John Gadson over the middle of the field on a crossing route. Gadson caught in stride between two Eastern defenders and sprinted past the rest of the defense for the touchdown.

Good health, passion inspire Coach Spoo for 20th season

Spoo says he still has a mean streak in him.

For Spoo, about to enter his 20th year as Eastern's head football coach, those words that he still has the passion – and this year, the health – to coach are good news to his players.

Spoo missed the entire 2006 season after undergoing a medical procedure. *The Associated Press* reported on Aug. 16 that Spoo said he had several aneurysms in his abdomen, which caused him to miss all of last year.

"You definitely feel his presence at practice and that's what a lot of these guys needed for a long time," junior kicker Zach Yates said. "I hope he has a few more years left, and the drive and fire are still lit within him to stay around even longer."

Spoo returned to the football offices at O'Brien Stadium in early-December of last year. He attended all spring practices and hasn't missed a fall practice yet.

Spoo has started his routine of exercising five mornings a week.

MEN'S SOCCER | EVENS 8, ODDS 4

Time after time: Clemmer, alums reunite with soccer

Soccer alumni stay in top shape for annual Lakeside Field game

By Kevin Murphy
Staff Reporter

Phil Clemmer became frustrated on Saturday at Lakeside Field.

Clemmer's shots sailed above the goal or they were kicked directly to the goalie in the men's soccer alumni match.

Clemmer, an '07 grad, returned to Charleston this weekend after not being here for the summer.

Clemmer, and other Eastern alumni, returned to play as the even-numbered graduates defeated the odd-numbered graduates, 8-4.

It was the first time in five years the even-numbered graduates had won.

Although, Clemmer was on the losing side, Clemmer made key contributions while he was a Panther.

He played in 65 games during his career and started all 18 games his senior year. Clemmer redshirted in 2002, scored three goals and 38 shots in his career.

Since then, the recreation administration major has been playing in a men's league in Springfield.

He's looking forward to Rich-

EASTERN ALUMNI GAME

Evens 8, Odds 4

•**Next Match:** Intersquad Match at 7 p.m. on Aug. 24 at Lakeside Field

•**Regular season opener:** vs. Belmont at 7 p.m. on Aug. 31 in Peoria (Bradley Classic)

•**2006 regular season results:** 11-7-2 (1-3-2 in the Missouri Valley Conference); sixth in the regular season, semifinalist in the MVC Tournament

woods' opening match against Granite City on Aug. 25.

"It's really fun getting back there and teaching the guys," Clemmer said. "They're right there but you got to push them there so they're ready for college."

Clemmer is also looking for the full-time job as well. He's working part time at the high school and at the Peoria Park District.

"The people at work are pretty nice to be very flexible with my schedule," he said. "Soccer's a big part of my life."

He was named the 2001 Peoria Journal star boys soccer player of the year.

Clemmer said he will watch the Panthers when they play in the Bradley Classic later this month.

The Panthers open up the regular season against Belmont at 5 p.m.



AMIR PRELLBERG | DEN

Head men's soccer coach Adam Howarth crosses a ball during the alumni match on Saturday. Howarth played on the evens team that won 8-4 at Lakeside Field.

on Aug. 31 at the Bradley Classic in Peoria.

Clemmer was just one of the

alumni on hand in the alumni match. Even head coach Adam Howarth, assistant coaches Dino

"He's a pitbull; he just goes."

— 2007 grad Phil Clemmer about George Janovich's play at the alumni soccer match.

Raso ('92) and Chad Jones played on Saturday.

George Janovich was another alumnus who came back.

Janovich runs a soccer academy in West Bloomfield, Mich., for 6- to 15-year-old boys and girls.

Clemmer was amazed by Janovich.

"He's a little worker," Clemmer said. "He's a pitbull; he just goes."

Janovich, played with Canadian Youth National team before coming to Eastern and played in Europe, the United States and Canada professionally after graduating.

"It's like a family reunion," Janovich said. "I haven't seen these guys in a year or more. You come back and time warps back until you play again."

The forward graduated with a graphic design degree in 1993. He scored two of the odd-numbered goals. He joked about the changes since graduation including his weight gain.

"It's not bad when you're carrying an extra 60 pounds," Janovich said.



ALUMNI SOCCER MATCH

For coverage on this past weekend's alumni soccer match, see inside.

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TRIPLE THREAT



Adam Howarth

Men's soccer hosted its annual alumni match in Charleston on Saturday at Lakeside Field. The Evens defeated the Odds 8-4. There were plenty of Eastern graduates on the field. Even Eastern grad and head coach Adam Howarth (above) played in the game along with assistant coaches Dino Raso and Chad Jones. Men's soccer players have had success after leaving Eastern. Jimmy Klatter, who graduated in 2006, was drafted by the St. Louis Steamers and went to the Major League Soccer's Senior Combine. Here are three soccer players that left Eastern and made successful careers in soccer.

George Janovich – Janovich owns a soccer academy in West Bloomfield, Mich., and played for the Canadian Youth National Team and played in Europe, and a variety of U.S. teams. The '92 grad also played for the London Lasers and the Detroit Wheels. The Wheels was a member of the United States International Soccer League. The Lasers competed in the Canadian-based National Soccer League.

The running game – Harkness is a '94 grad who went onto play soccer and currently works at the Chicago Board of Trade. He also is an assistant men's soccer coach at St. Xavier University in Chicago. Harkness played for the Chicago Power, the Chicago Stingers and the Detroit Rockers. The Rockers and the Power competed in the National Professional Soccer League. The Stingers competed in the United Systems of Independent Soccer Leagues. Harkness also was the women's head coach at Moraine Valley Community College and was an assistant at his alma mater, Brother Rice.

Jason Thompson– Thompson was an All-American who was drafted by the MLS in the second round. He was Eastern's first draft pick before Klatter. Thompson also represented Eastern on the U.S. Under-23 national team. Thompson played for D.C. United and as a freshman at Eastern was named the Missouri Valley Conference Newcomer of the Year.

-Kevin Murphy

Eastern needs success to beat bad reputation



ADAM TEDDER

Eastern is in waist-deep when it comes to trouble with the athletic department.

There has been heavy scrutiny on the department since May 17 with the decision to cut the wrestling program at Eastern. With the firing of former athletic director Richard McDuffie, the criticism is at an all-time high.

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Eastern wrestling is no more

Program eliminated because it did not meet academic expectations

By Nora Maberry
Associate Online Editor

A sports program that had been at Eastern for 59 seasons will not be around for this upcoming season.

Former Eastern Director of Athletics Rich McDuffie announced on May 17 that Eastern's wrestling program would be discontinued. McDuffie cited the team's poor

academic performance as the reason the team was cut.

Three years ago, the NCAA adopted a program called the Academic Progress Rate is collected Data on athletes' eligibility status, graduation rates and retention rates.

According to the NCAA, the APR includes a formula that calculates the academic performance by a student-athlete.

The formula gives each scholarship athlete two possible points, one each for remaining at the same school and for staying academically eligible.

They then divide earned points

by total possible points.

A perfect score is 1000 – 100 with the decimal moved to the right – while the NCAA cutoff is 925.

For the 2004-2005 Academic Progress Rate Institutional Report, wrestling had an APR of 851, with 26 athletes represented in the collected data.

The NCAA has collected three years of data on Division I teams.

“We have been required to reduce our scholarship aid to the sport,” McDuffie said. “We will be penalized again and that means further reduction to scholarships.”

The NCAA requires institutions

that have teams with an APR below 925 to develop and implement an academic improvement plan for these teams.

“They were required to come up with a plan and I guess they implemented the plan but did they show up?” McDuffie said. “I understand they didn't, some did and some didn't.”

Wrestling head coach Ralph McCausland urged his wrestlers to take homework on road trips and increase their grade point averages, McCausland said back in February.

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ALUMNI

VOLLEYBALL

FAMILIAR FACES RETURN AS FOES



Amir Prellberg | DEN

Junior middle hitter Lauren Sopczic attempts a kill during the Alumni match Saturday afternoon at Lantz Arena. The 2007 Panthers went on to beat the alumni squad 3-0.

Seven alumni return to face off against current Panther squad

By Adam Tedder
Sports Editor

Saturday's match may not have counted for much.

But the volleyball's alumni match meant a good deal to the current and former Panthers.

It was a unique experience for the

Panthers as it had a mix of fun and competition within one match with familiar faces.

It was a chance for the current roster Panthers to meet with former teammates, but also to face some competition besides each other.

“I knew most of the girls from the alumni team,” said sophomore Shaina Boylan. “It was a lot of fun and it was good to get to see some variety of players, instead of playing against ourselves.”

The returning alumni got a chance play the game again and put on some familiar uniform colors.

Mary Brown, a 1982 alumna, said it felt great to return to the Lantz Arena to play volleyball again.

“Playing today brought back a lot of memories,” she said.

The current Panthers as well as alumni said they were excited to see Brown play and were impressed with play.

“Mary played so well,” said last year graduate Mary Welch. “I hope I play as well as she does at her age.”

Coach Lori Bennett was happy with both her team's performance and the chance to see the alumni return to play against her team.

“It was a lot of fun to have the girls back,” she said. “We could count on them to be competitive. It was nice to see them in Eastern uniforms.”

Bennett said she was happy with her team's performance. The Panthers won the match 3-0, winning game one 30-15, game two 30-15 and game three 30-14.

Bennett said her team was a little nervous coming into the match, but she attributed that to a majority of the team being younger.

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