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ALUMNI | BACK TO SCHOOL

BLACK HISTORY | CELEBRATION

February marks struggle, triumph

African-American history commemorated through campus events

By **Stephen Di Benedetto**
Senior Activities Reporter

For Joycelynn Phillips, African-American Heritage Month is much more than a celebration.

It reminds Phillips of how Americans have evolved on the issues of equality and diversity.

“It gives me pleasure in terms of I can see change within my own lifetime,” said Phillips, the Chairperson of the African-American Heritage Month planning committee. “Civil rights laws have been passed and it has given all Americans opportunities.”

The month of February is devoted to African-American history, but Phillips said the celebration is vital to any American.

“African-Americans need to know their own history,” Phillips said. “I think other Americans need to know African-American history beyond the month of February. We need to know and appreciate that African-Americans have contributed in many ways.”

On the other hand, Michael Loudon believes the importance of African-American Heritage Month still needs to be known.

“It’s really the untold American history month and it needs to run from February to February,” said Loudon, acting coordinator of African-American Studies. “You can’t consider the contributions and repression of black Americans for only one month out of 12 and get very far and fast.”

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JAY GRABIEC | THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS
Mark Hudson, director of housing and dining (left); Kelly Miller, assistant director of housing and dining (center); and Jody Stone, assistant director of housing and dining (right), stand in front of a window overlooking the library quad with their Eastern degrees in Hudson’s office Wednesday afternoon. The trio work together and earned their undergraduate and graduate degrees at Eastern. “It’s really neat to work for your alma mater,” Hudson said.

‘Back where we started’

An estimated 200 to 300 alumni are Eastern faculty members

KEN BAKER | DIRECTOR OF CAMPUS RECREATION

By **Ashley Rueff**
Senior University Reporter

Kelly Miller had plans to work in a big city with a downtown office in the corporate world after graduating from Eastern.

But President Lou Hencken, who was the director of housing and dining at the time, had different plans for Miller.

“He told me ever since I was a freshman in college, ‘You’re going to work with college students, this is what you’re going to do,’” Miller said. “He thought I had a knack for working with students.”

“People aren’t just professionally committed to Eastern; they’re personally committed...they’re all capable of going other places but their heart keeps them here.”

Miller started as a student worker in the housing and dining office as a freshman in 1985, and today, she is the assistant director of housing and dining.

Miller never planned on staying in her hometown of Charleston, but like many other Eastern alums, she has planted her roots around the university and community and could not imagine leaving the place where she began her career in higher education.

“I love the university environment and I absolutely love Eastern,” Miller said. “I’ve never had a day when I woke up and said, ‘Gosh, I don’t want to go back to that place.’”

While there is no exact number of how many Eastern alums are employed by the university, you could be hard pressed to find someone who does not know of one.

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CAMPUS EVENTS | BOWLING

Transfer students to bowl and mingle

35 percent of Eastern’s undergraduate population are transfer students

By **Beth Hackett**
Activities Reporter

A new school can be intimidating.

Students transferring to a new university sometimes need help meeting new people and the Transfer Student Bowling Night is one way they can do that.

“The transfer student bowling event is a great way to become acquainted with other new students and can help ease the initial shock of a new school,” said Dana Wiant, a senior communications major and transfer student.

Transfer students make up about 35 percent of Eastern’s undergraduate population.

Wiant attended the event last January when she transferred from Hartland Community College in Bloomington. She said it really helped her in meeting new people and was a lot of fun.

“(Transfer Student Bowling Night) is an opportunity to become acquainted with people in the transfer student office,” Wiant said. “The office employees are always there to help with any advice or question (transfer students) may need.”

The event has been going on since Fall 2005. It started off as a bingo event, but students gave suggestions and ultimately, bowling had the best response, said Sonia Fischer of the admissions office.

“It is a great way to get transfer students to

interact with each other while having a good time,” Fischer said.

Rita Pearson, transfer student coordinator, said this event welcomes new students and encourages them to network with one another.

“It’s a good time to have this event now because it is the beginning of the semester and students are looking for fun things to do while it is so cold out,” Pearson said. “The event is held at the beginning of each semester so students can develop connections.”

The event will offer free prizes, giveaways, music, pizza, cookies, punch and discounted bowling.

The event, sponsored by transfer relations, will take place tonight at the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union Bowling Alley from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m.

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GOVERNMENT & POLITICS | LECTURE



JOHN BAILEY | THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

Stephen L. Wasby, professor emeritus of the University of Albany, gives the lecture "Attacks on the Judicial Courts" in Lumpkin Auditorium Wednesday evening.

Defending the third wheel

Professor says judicial branch not as visible as other two branches

By Beth Hackett
Activities Reporter

Professor Stephen Wasby doesn't worry about people agreeing with him.

He thinks the judicial branch of government is overlooked too often.

But even if people disagree, he said they should still take it upon themselves to defend the judicial branch.

Wasby, professor emeritus of the University of Albany, spoke Wednesday to a nearly full Lumpkin Auditorium. Students, faculty and members of the community attended Wasby's lecture, "Attacks on the Courts."

Wasby wanted to give not only the entire community, but specifically Eastern students, an opportunity to learn fresh perspectives about the judicial system outside of the classroom.

"A lecture of this sort can give some flexibility to what they may or may not say inside of a classroom," said Wasby.

Joe Astrouski, a freshman journalism major, attended the lecture because he said that campus lectures are rarely exciting, but he saw Wasby's lecture as an exception.



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Retired Eastern faculty member Bob Whittenbarger questions professor Wasby about habeas corpus, a writ ordering a person in custody to be brought before a court.

"I thought this would be a chance to hear someone who is obviously qualified to talk about a serious current issue and learn something new at the same time."

Much of the lecture pertained to judicial salaries, which Wasby said are inadequate, the inequality of different courthouses' budgets and the relationship between the legislature and the courts.

"The judiciary is the third branch of government and it is important for people to pay attention to it," Wasby said.

He said that the judiciary tends to be less visible than the other two branches of government. The

disparity is even lower in states than on the federal level, he said.

The judicial branch is not in a good position to defend itself, so it is up to others to raise questions about how it is being treated.

Ninos Oshana, a senior economics major, stayed after to listen to the question and answer portion of the lecture.

He said it was a good opportunity to learn more about the judicial system and the influence that the executive branch has on it.

"It is important for individuals and corporations to understand the processes of law and the influences of the outcome on each case."

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Prescription not needed

Eastern Health Service now provides Plan B over the counter

By Molly Clutter
Staff Reporter

If a woman has sex while she's on antibiotics, her contraceptive won't always work.

Mistakes, forgetting and "oops" moments can also affect forms of birth control.

That's why there's Plan B, and Eastern's Health Service is now offering it to students over the counter.

Plan B, otherwise known as the morning after pill, is a form of emergency contraception.

"If you have intercourse while on antibiotics and birth control and you forget to use a condom, you are susceptible to getting pregnant," Hollender said. "Antibiotics could alter your birth control, which leads to accidental pregnancies."

Plan B comes in a two-pill package, which should be obtained as soon as needed.

The pills are to be taken 12 hours apart with the first pill taken no longer than 72 hours after sex. However, Plan B does not work 100 percent of the time.

If taken within the first 72 hours, the pills have an 89 to 90 percent chance of working. If a woman waits more than 72 hours, she is more likely to get pregnant.

Women used to need a doctor's prescription, but Plan B is now available over the counter.

Dr. Kim Hollender from Health Services held a "lunch and learn" session Wednesday in the Martin Luther King, Jr. Union for students to learn more about Plan B.

"The pill works in one of two ways," Hollender said. "The pill may stop the egg from being released and, therefore, not able to be fertilized. Also, if the egg is fertilized, then the pill may change the lining of the uterus so the egg won't attach and grow," Hollender said.

Hollender also mentioned that after a woman takes Plan B, her regular menstrual cycle will go back to normal.

The side effects are minimal. The pills may cause nausea and breast tenderness. However, Hollender does not suggest Plan B as an alternative for regular birth control.

"If Plan B is taken repeatedly as a form of birth control, then it could possibly mess up your menstrual cycle," said Hollender.

The pills are obtainable at Health Services on campus and at local pharmacies, including Walgreen's, Wal-Mart or CVS. The prices vary from each pharmacy.

Christa Smith, the Sexual Health Education Coordinator at Health Education Resource Center, suggests that students go to Health Services because it's a less expensive pharmacy.

"Plan B is available at Health Services for only \$20," Smith said. "At Walgreen's it costs \$40, at Wal-Mart it costs \$42.62 and at CVS it costs \$51," Smith said.

Senior health studies major Kamari Thompson thinks that Plan B is a good alternative for women.

"I think that Plan B is a good idea," said Thompson. "It gives women options just in case something happens."



ERIC HILTNER | THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

Student senator Megan Ogulnick listens to fellow senator Richard Luce talk about senate bylaw change 06-07-05. The bylaw change passed 14-4-4, and now makes it the responsibility of the external relations committee to research and prepare information for the voting member of Illinois Board of Higher Education-Student Advisory Committee.

Rec proposals introduced

Student Senators examine costs of disc golf course, exercise machines

By Matt Hopf
Student Government Reporter

Student feedback will be an important factor when it comes to the approval of three proposed additions to the Student Recreation Center.

The allocation proposals for a disc golf course, two additional elliptical machines and a 10-machine Life Fitness Circuit Series set were tabled at Wednesday night's Student Senate meeting.

The three proposals would total approximately \$50,000.

Student Senate members need to research where the money would be coming from along with asking questions to members who voted to appropriate money before, said Student Senate Speaker Jeff Lange.

"Do your research and talk to your peers," said senate member Kent Ohms.

Student Body President Sean Anderson also expressed the same sentiment.

Senate members make promises to students to see what students want, Anderson said.

He said he would feel uncomfortable not talking to students about a large amount of money.

Levi Bulgar, student vice president for business affairs, presented the proposals to the senate.

The nine-hole disc golf course would cost \$15,769 for equipment and installation.

The course would begin by the campus pond

pavilion and use parts of the former campus golf course, Bulgar said.

The Life Fitness Circuit Series set uses hydraulics as resistance, he said.

The \$23,026 set would be non-intimidating and easier to use for beginners, Bulgar said.

The two elliptical machines would cost \$10,940, which Ken Baker, director of campus recreation, said are the most popular workout machines in the rec.

While some senate members were concerned that the disc golf course would only appeal to a small group of students, more members were concerned with the cost of the Life Fitness set.

There are plenty of machines already and they won't do anything special, said senate member Nate Dissi.

Senate member Tyson Holder said that he talked to people about the machines and found that many were not in favor, but he would be talking to more people.

Baker will be at next week's senate meeting to answer any questions or concerns that members may have.

The Apportionment Board previously approved the allocations.

A bylaw change was approved by a 19-4-4 vote. The change would require the Student Senate External Relations Committee to research and prepare information for the voting member of the Illinois Board of Higher Education-Student Advisory Committee.

Also, recently appointed senate member Ingrid McCallister submitted her resignation citing time constraints.

RESIDENCE HALL ASSOCIATION | WINTER GAMES

RHA Olympics to be finalized

First event to be a cardboard sled race around the South Quad on Wednesday night

By Katey Mitchell
RHA reporter

The Residence Hall Association's Winter Olympics will begin Wednesday and teams for each of the halls need to have their completed sign-up sheets turned in at tonight's RHA meeting.

The main focus for this week's meeting will be finishing up with Winter Olympic business, said Carrie Mueller, RHA president.

Eric Dusanek, RHA programming and diversity coordinator, will finalize the details of how the events will be run, Mueller said.

"I was going to ask for further questions," Dusanek said. "Make sure they (the halls participating) have their cardboard sleds ready by Wednesday."

RHA MEETING

- » **Who:** Residence Hall Association
- » **What:** Weekly meeting
- » **Where:** Ford Hall
- » **When:** Today at 5 p.m.
- » **Why:** To discuss finalizations concerning Winter Olympics
- » **Fun Fact:** Ford Hall will be having a black and white theme for Thursday's meeting.

Winter Olympics will be held Wednesday through Friday and will have one event per night.

The first event scheduled is a cardboard sled race around the South Quad.

"All sleds must only consist of cardboard and tape," Dusanek said. "There will be one person in the sled while three people pull the sled around South Quad and there will be obstacles."

Winter Olympics are judged on a points system. Points will be given to the hall that wins an event, for participation and for hall residents in attendance.

"The hall with the most spirit can win the entire event even if they do not win the scheduled event," Dusanek said.

The prize for the winner of Winter Olympics will be a trophy that Dusanek said RHA hopes to be passed along to the winners from year to year.

In connection to Winter Olympics, RHA will co-sponsor the next University Board "Up All Night" event, scheduled for Friday, Feb. 9.

The Las Vegas-themed event will be taking place in the South Quad halls' lobbies and will be counting as the Winter Olympic event for Friday.

"Residents will get points for their participation in the event," said Dusanek.

RHA executive board members will ask for volunteers to help work the event at Today's meeting

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» This short audio show condenses all the latest local news into one easily digestible serving.

Brazilian professor to speak on Argentina living conditions

» Joel Outtes, an associate professor of geography at the Universidade Federal do Rio Grande in Brazil, will speak today on "Housing, Living Conditions of the Poor, and Family in Brazil and Argentina."

The Departments of History and the Latin American Studies Program are co-sponsoring the lecture at 3:30 p.m. today in the Effingham Room of the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union.

Muggles welcome at Harry Potter club meeting

» The Harry Potter Club, will hold a meeting today. The club is a place where Harry Potter fans can meet and discuss the books. The meeting is at 8 p.m. in Coleman Hall Room 3140.

Medieval and renaissance ensemble comes to Eastern

» The early music vocal quartet Gravitacion will present a concert at 2 p.m. on Sunday, Feb. 11 at the Tarble Arts Center.

Gravitacion is Millikin University's faculty medieval and renaissance vocal ensemble. The performance is a part of the Tarble Chamber Music Series.

Admission is \$5 for the general public and \$3 for students and seniors.

Haitian art on display in Tarble Arts Center

The Saints in Sequin: Vodou Flags From Haiti exhibition is ongoing at the Tarble Arts Center. The exhibition began on Jan. 20 and will run through Feb. 25.

Saints in Sequin is a collection of Haitian Vodou flags made of sequins and beads hand-sewn onto fabric.

— compiled by Marco Santana

police report

» Hit & Run - On Jan. 26 it was reported that a white 1999 Pontiac was struck by another vehicle while it was parked in a Greek Court parking lot.

» Burglary to Motor Vehicle - On Jan. 28 it was reported that a radar detector was stolen from a vehicle parked in S lot on Eastern's campus.

» Criminal Damage to State Supported Property - On Jan. 29 it was reported that a set of stack dryers had the controls damaged at University Apartments.

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YOUR TURN | LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

We at the Daily Eastern News have received a large reader response over the publishing of a Jan. 31 Letter to the Editor titled "White males are scapegoats" by Don G. Smith. The following letters are written concerning his statements:

Museum brings oppression to light

In his letter to the editor, Don G. Smith criticizes the recent Museum of Oppression for presenting a biased world view that blames whites for many of the oppressions in society. He encourages white heterosexual students at EIU to educate themselves about history by going to The National Alliance Web site, (which) represents exactly the types of oppression the Museum of Oppression tries to combat.

Smith has directed students to a Web site that calls for the genocide or forced relocation of all minorities from Europe, North America, Australia and South Africa. That IS oppression of the worst kind. The National Alliance Web site is proof that the horrors exposed by The Museum of Oppression do not exist only in the "distant past" as Dr. Smith argues. In fact, his letter and the Web site to which he sent us demonstrates the continued need for programs such as The Museum of Oppression. I would like to offer my personal thanks to those who worked to bring it to us.

Terri Fredrick | Assistant Professor of English

All racists use scapegoats

By happenstance I found myself visiting the Beyond Words Exhibit. While walking through the museum I saw exhibits on such topics as LGBT, Native Americans, Asian Americans, people with disabilities, accomplishments of African-Americans, homelessness, as well as how men and women view their own body images. Not once did I see anything about the "Great Oppressors."

If anyone uses scapegoats, it has to be you. A few clicks on this (National Alliance) Web site and I saw T-shirts of Hitler on sale for \$8.99 and statements such as "Bring our troops home and put them on the border."

Corporate America and the Elitists own the media that not only allot our daily information, but they also produce our textbooks from kindergarten through college. Information outlets, such as these, rarely if at all acknowledge the accomplishments of different ethnic groups as well as women. These media possessors are comprised of the same people who you are saying the media degrades: Caucasian males. If this is not an enigma, I have no clue of what is.

Does being an African-American female in Charleston attending a predominately Caucasian university make me a conformist to a certain degree? No, it does not! And I highly doubt that my peers are less likely to express their own viewpoints because they have two or three African-American students in their classes. To even believe such a thing not only says how you might have taught as a professor, but how you felt about your students, on an intellectual level.

Tamika Purnell | Student

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ourview

Enrollment should not rise too rapidly

Eastern's enrollment is the second highest in history, with 11,336 students currently attending the university. More than 3,000 of these students are seniors this semester.

Eastern President Lou Hencken has said, "It might be difficult to replace all these people this coming fall."

But Eastern should not worry about replacing all these students.

Granted, more students mean more tuition dollars, but if the enrollment of Eastern increases much higher, the quality of student's education will suffer.

Hencken has done a good job managing enrollment and not letting it rise too rapidly as part of his nine goals in his presidency. He and future presidents should continue to treat enrollment this way.

Eastern is prided on its small class sizes, intimate student/professor relationships and the ability to provide a quality education in a much more personal environment than most state schools. If the enrollment at Eastern becomes much larger, this may change.

The average class size at Eastern is 23 students with a student to faculty ration of 16:1.

Western Illinois University has an enrollment of 13,400, an average class size of 28 students and a student to faculty ration of 17:1.

Illinois State University has 68 percent of their classes with 29 students or fewer, and 85 percent of their classes have 39 students or fewer. ISU boasts a student to faculty ration of 19 to 1.

While those are all respectable class sizes, Eastern's emphasis on small class sizes and student interaction with faculty is what the university is known for and touts to prospective students. If enrollment increases due to the university trying to replace all the graduating seniors, the student faculty interaction and small class sizes that Eastern is known for will diminish.

While enrollment actually went down from last spring, the fact that the university

is worried about replacing these students is cause for worry.

Previously, Hencken said that enrollment figures could be hard to maintain without additional funding from the state.

Where would this money come from? There is no

guarantee that Eastern will be allotted more money from the state.

With the completion of Doudna scheduled for December 2007, Eastern will try to lure in more art and music majors. With the nursing program starting in Fall 2007, the enrollment of Eastern will only increase more.

While this expansion is welcome from the academic benefits it will bring students, Eastern should be careful to limit enrollment in order to preserve the educational environment that it is known for.

"Eastern is prided on its small class sizes, intimate student/professor relationships and the ability to provide a quality education in a much more personal environment than most state schools."

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

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FEATURED BLOGGER | ERIC HILTNER



"The last time the Bears made it to the Super Bowl, they won with less than a legendary quarterback. And they will do it again."

YOUR TURN | LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

How much free speech can be tolerated?

The National Alliance has been labeled "America's leading hate group" by the Southern Poverty Law Center. The Anti-Defamation League identifies the Alliance as being, in the recent past, "the most formidable presence in the white supremacist world." Fortunately, the group's membership has declined dramatically since the 2002 death of its founder, William Pierce. This man wrote "The Turner Diaries," a gruesome depiction of a race war that apparently inspired the terrorist bombing of a federal building by Timothy McVeigh.

Students who learn these details about The National Alliance are more likely to resist its efforts to enlist them as soldiers in its fight for preservation of the supposedly endangered white race. And editors of a campus newspaper who learn such details about the material in submitted articles might think twice before printing recommendations of such a group, whose members have advocated the violent overthrow of our government and social order, all so that whites can safely maintain that which they've never actually had, racial purity.

What's next—an article in the *DEN* arguing more explicitly that Hitler was

Tim Engles | Associate Professor of English

Museum of Oppression helps us understand

This dilemma presented by (Mr. Smith) is what James Baldwin calls "White Man's Guilt." In his same titled essay, Baldwin explains that 'white' Americans are defending themselves from accusations that are not being made. Yet, heterosexual, white Americans seemingly need to defend the actions of others in the past for the current conditions of the present. But on the other hand, "the white American remains proud of that history for which he does not want to pay, and from which ... he has profited so much."

The reason why some may feel a need to defend the actions of others in the past is because they cannot accept the history itself. They cannot accept the fact that their price for privilege was at the expense of other human beings.

I know well enough that Mr. Smith is only guilty of spreading propaganda and rhetoric that he hopes will elevate his 'race.' This is not a crime, and is protected by the Constitution. But what I believe Mr. Smith has failed to come to terms with him as being a white heterosexual male, is the country that he is so proud of his ancestors for building is not the country he wants to live in.

He does not want to live in a country that values and strives for diversity. He does not want to live in a country that reminds people of a bloody history, that gave him his privilege. He does not want to be reminded that others have suffered and were oppressed in the name of progress, productivity, and even God. He wants the privilege that history provides, but chooses to remain ignorant of the cost to others after all, he did not have to pay.

I will never fully understand what it's like to be African-American, Asian-American, or any other racial or minority group besides my own. But I can choose to understand. I can choose to be educated about the past and how that reflects current situations we face as a nation today. I can choose to understand that 'race' is a socially constructed concept and is not biological or a law of nature. I can choose to reconcile the privilege I receive in this country with the past that afforded it to me. I can choose not to be ignorant.

Rachel Alejandro | Student

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» Alumni

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Steve Rich, director of alumni services, estimates that about 200 to 300 Eastern graduates are employed by the university.

"People enjoyed their time so much here, whether they were from this area or came from somewhere else, they have really developed a love for the institution," Rich said.

Some alumni on campus include Hencken; Jill Nilsen, vice president for external relations; Mark Hudson, director of housing and dining and Ken Baker, director of campus recreation.

Baker has a long family history embedded at Eastern that drew him back to teach 20 years after graduating.

"I missed being around college students," Baker said. "I came back to teach and that gave me my summers free."

He used those summers to continue his career as an NFL official. The NFL took him away from the young people he liked to work with, so Baker found a compromise.

He worked at Eastern and for the NFL until 2001 when he became the director of recreation

STEVEN RICH | DIRECTOR OF ALUMNI SERVICES

"People enjoyed their time so much here, whether they were from this area or came from somewhere else, they have really developed a love for the institution."

and retired from the NFL. He has since become an NFL replay official, working on the weekends, but spends most of his time at the university that he has known since childhood.

Baker's father and four uncles and aunts all attended Eastern. He and his sister followed in their footsteps. Baker met his wife while at Eastern and his daughter also pursued her education here. In 2006, his granddaughter, Anna Sipes, was the homecoming princess.

"People aren't just professionally committed to Eastern, they're personally committed," Baker said. "They're all capable of going other places but their heart keeps them here."

Baker is active in the alumni association and was featured on the cover of the Fall 2006 alumni magazine.

"Eastern graduates are everywhere," he said.

On the other end of the alumni spectrum is Megan Kennedy, a Spring 2006 graduate who started working as an admissions advisor just three months after graduation.

Originally from LaGrange, a western Chicago suburb, Kennedy took a liking to Eastern during her four years as an undergrad.

"I still love the town, I love Eastern," she said.

She was interested in a recruiting job after graduation and found one in the admissions office.

"It was for sure my top choice," Kennedy said. "It went to my advantage that I went to school here because I know a lot about Eastern."

There's a difference at Eastern for employees and students, she said, but her co-workers helped her make the transition and now she loves her job and the community.

"The people here are the reason I came in the first place and that's the reason I stayed," Kennedy said.

She uses her own love and experience as an Eastern student to recruit new students to the university.

Kennedy said she would like to continue her education but is unsure if she will do so at Eastern or at another university.

Blair Lord, provost and vice president for academic affairs, said several other Eastern employees take classes here and have become alums after they are employed. Many contracts include some kind of tuition reimbursement for employees.

"Many people take advantage of that," Lord said.

Also, more staff positions are filled by alumni than faculty positions because Eastern does not offer a doctorate program.

"We can't immediately grow our own faculty (with doctorates)," Lord said. The university often hires faculty from the national marketplace, while staff positions

are more often filled by local residents.

"So you're drawing significantly from the local community and the community is full of Eastern alums," Lord said. "They like the community, they settled in the community."

That's what happened to Charleston native Pam Collins, the director for academic and professional development in the School of Continuing Education.

"It's not that I didn't intend on going other places, it just never happened," Collins said. "I did, but I always had something here that kept me around," she said.

That something was family.

Her father was a professor at Eastern so she grew up with a sense of importance for higher education.

When she was young, she used to think about what residence hall she would live in once she got to college, even though she ended up living at home when the time came.

"I just always had a passion for education and that's how I ended up in the field," Collins said.

And now she is feeding that passion at the same place it all began: her alma mater.

» Heritage

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Loudon said he needed to improve his overall knowledge of history in college after the assassinations of Martin Luther King Jr. and Malcolm X in the 1960s.

"I needed to make it fuller, deeper and I had increasing awareness that the history of African-American struggles was really my struggle, too. That the races could not be separated, and destiny could not be separated," Loudon said.

Phillips hopes the African-American Heritage Celebration spreads knowledge about history and diversity.

"For (African-American students) to come here and be so far away from things that validate their culture, it is important for the university to reach out to those students," Phillips said. "It is also important for the university to expose non-African-American students to the contributions African-Americans have given to America."

AFRICAN AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH

- » **Friday, Feb. 2**
Reception and banquet with Walter King Jr. "The Spellbinder" co-sponsored by UB and Illinois Arts Council at 5 p.m. in the Grand Ballroom of the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union
- » **Monday, Feb. 5**
"The Covenant with Black America" book by Travis Smiley, presentation by Michael Loudon, Martin Hardeman, Craig Eckert and Kevin Anderson at 6 p.m. in the Coleman Auditorium.
- » **Tuesday, Feb. 6**
Jay Blackwell, director of HIV Education and Training, Rockville, Md. at 6 p.m. in the Charleston/Mattoon Room in the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union
- » **Wednesday, Feb. 7**
National Black HIV Awareness Testing Day sponsored by Delta Sigma Theta from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the 1895 Room of the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union
- » **Thursday, Feb. 8**
EIUnity brown bag lunch in the Room 1895 of the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union at noon
AACP State of the Black Union Address in the Paris Room in the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union at 5 p.m.
"HIV Looks Like Me" presentation sponsored by UB in the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union at 7 p.m.

- » **Friday, Feb. 9**
Movie: "Lost Boys of Sudan" with special guest speaker Peter Makuach. Co-sponsored by International Programs and State of Illinois Library Diversity Program at 6 p.m. in the Lumpkin auditorium
- » **Sunday, Feb. 11**
Student/faculty basketball game at in the McAfee Gym at 3 p.m.
Unity Choir Gospel Explosion at in the Grand Ballroom in the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union at 7 p.m.
- » **Monday, Feb. 12**
"Charged and Ready! Understanding Credit and Identity Theft" presentation by Marissa Smith of Health Services at 7 p.m. in the Coleman Hall auditorium
- » **Tuesday, Feb. 13**
"Motown Night," ESPNU Basketball game at 7:35 p.m. in Lantz Arena
- » **Monday, Feb. 19**
EIUnity Game Show: Who wants to be a...
7 p.m. in Room 1501, the auditorium in Buzzard Hall
- » **Tuesday, Feb. 20**
Black History Jeopardy sponsored by NPHC at 7 p.m. in the Effingham Room in the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union
- » **Wednesday, Feb. 21**
"\$40 Million Dollar Slave: The Rise, Fall and Redemption of the Black Athlete" by W. Rhoden.

- Presented by Kevin Anderson, Grace Buchanan, Craig Eckert, Michael Loudon, Willie Morris and Domesha Perkins at 6 p.m. in the Oakland Room of the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union
- » **Thursday, Feb. 22**
"Idlewild" film sponsored by University Board at 7 p.m. in the Buzzard auditorium
- » **Friday, Feb. 23**
Comedian Tracy Ashley, sponsored by University Board at 9 p.m. in 7th Street Underground
- » **Saturday, Feb. 24**
Black Student Union presents: Miss Black EIU at 8 p.m. in the Grand Ballroom of the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union.
- » **Monday, Feb. 26**
"Representations of Revolution: The Legacy of Black Power in the Media & Culture" presented by Angela Aguayo, Tony Chauncey, Kristen Hoeri. Sponsored by communication studies at 6 p.m. in the Arcola/Tuscola Room of the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union
- » **Tuesday, Feb. 27**
Readings from famous NPHC members, sponsored by Phi Beta Sigma and Zeta Phi Beta at 7 p.m. in the Martinsville Room of the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union
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Oils, shampoos, soaps have cause breast cancer in boy

BOSTON — Lavender and tea tree oils found in some shampoos, soaps and lotions can temporarily leave boys with enlarged breasts in rare cases, apparently by disrupting their hormonal balance, a preliminary study suggests. The study reported on the condition, gynecomastia, in three boys ages 4, 7 and 10. They all went back to normal when they stopped using skin lotions, hair gel, shampoo or soap with the natural oils. It's unclear how often this problem might crop up in other young children.

Feud over best way to test athletes for growth hormones

SAN FRANCISCO — Olympic athletes soon will have their blood tested for human growth hormone, but the NFL and baseball officials instead are embracing the unproven concept of urine testing in their bid to stop use of the performance-enhancing drug.

An effective urine screen is years away, meaning players can continue using HGH with little fear of getting caught. Critics question whether the pro leagues truly are intent on rooting out HGH, thought to be widely abused because no one currently is testing for it. But baseball and football officials say they are stymied by union contracts that prohibit taking blood from players, and they cite privacy concerns and doubts about the accuracy of blood tests.

Study says U.S. has botched job of training Iraqi police

WASHINGTON — Training the police is as important to stabilizing Iraq as building an effective army there, but the United States has botched the job by assigning the wrong agencies to the task, two members of the Iraq Study Group said Wednesday.

According to the report, co-authored by former Rep. Lee Hamilton and former Attorney General Edwin Meese, the U.S. erred by first assigning the task of shaping the judicial system in a largely lawless country to the State Department and private contractors who "did not have the expertise or the manpower to get the job done."

Suspicious packages a ploy

RUSS KNOCK | HOMELAND SECURITY DEPARTMENT SPOKESMAN

Turner broadcast creates havoc while promoting "Aqua Teen Hunger Force"

The Associated Press

BOSTON — Ten blinking electronic devices planted at bridges and other spots in Boston threw a scare into the city Wednesday in what turned out to be a publicity campaign for a late-night cable cartoon. At least one of the devices depicts a character giving the finger.

Highways, bridges and a section of the Charles River were shut down and bomb squads were sent in before authorities declared the devices were harmless.

"It's a hoax — and it's not funny," said Gov. Deval Patrick.

Turner Broadcasting, a division of Time Warner Inc. and parent of Cartoon Network, said the devices were part of a promotion for the TV show "Aqua Teen Hunger Force," a surreal series about a talking milkshake, a box of fries and a meatball.

"The packages in question are magnetic lights that pose no danger," Turner said in a statement. It said the devices have been in place for two to three weeks in 10 cities: Boston, New York, Los Angeles, Chicago, Atlanta, Seattle,

Portland, Ore., Austin, Texas, San Francisco and Philadelphia.

"We regret that they were mistakenly thought to pose any danger," the company said.

The marketing company responsible for the campaign, Interference Inc., had no immediate comment.

A woman who answered the phone at the New York-based firm's offices on Wednesday afternoon said the firm's CEO was out of town and would not be able to comment until Thursday.

Police said only that they were investigating where the device came from, but an angry Mayor Thomas Menino said a stiff penalty will be pursued against whoever was responsible for the devices.

"It's about keeping a city on edge. It's about public safety," he said.

Homeland Security Department spokesman Russ Knocke praised Boston authorities for sharing their knowledge quickly with Washington officials and the public.

"Hoaxes are a tremendous burden on local law enforcement

and counter-terrorism resources and there's absolutely no place for them in a post-9/11 world," Knocke said.

Authorities said some of the objects looked like circuit boards or had wires hanging from them.

The first device was found at a subway and bus station underneath Interstate 93, forcing the shutdown of the station and the highway.

Later, police said four calls, all around 1 p.m., reported devices at the Boston University Bridge and the Longfellow Bridge, both of which span the Charles River, at a Boston street corner and at the Tufts-New England Medical Center.

The package near the Boston University bridge was found attached to a structure beneath the span, authorities said.

Subway service across the Longfellow Bridge between Boston and Cambridge was briefly suspended, and Storrow Drive was closed as well.

A similar device was found Wednesday evening just north of Fenway Park, police spokesman Eddy Chrispin said.

Wanda Higgins, a 47-year-old Weymouth resident and a nurse at Massachusetts General Hospital, heard about the threat as she watched television news coverage while preparing to leave work at 4 p.m.

"I saw the bomb squad guys carrying a paper bag with their bare hands," Higgins said. "I knew it couldn't be too serious."

Messages seeking additional comment from the Atlanta-based Cartoon Network were left with several publicists.

"Aqua Teen Hunger Force" is a cartoon with a cultish following that airs as part of the Adult Swim late-night block of programs for adults on the Cartoon Network.

A feature length film based on the show is slated for release March 23.

The cartoon also includes two trouble-making, 1980s-graphic-like characters called "mooninites," named Ignignokt and Err — who were pictured on the suspicious devices.

They are known for making the obscene hand gesture depicted on the devices.

South Dakota disciplines senator

State Senator censured after sharing bed with 18-year-old male page

The Associated Press

PIERRE, S.D. — The South Dakota Senate on Wednesday refused to expel a lawmaker accused of fondling an 18-year-old legislative page in a motel bed, but voted to censure him instead.

Democratic Sen. Dan Sutton had admitted sharing a bed with the page last winter but denied groping him.

The censure amounts to a public reprimand that has no effect on Sutton's legislative powers.

The motion to expel Sutton

failed 14-20, and the censure vote was 32-2. Sutton left the chamber when the debate began over his future, and he was the only senator not voting.

Sutton, 36, said afterward he believes the censure vote will end the matter. "Yes, it's a relief," he said.

"We believe that is the appropriate punishment," said state Sen. Scott Heidepriem, vice chairman of the Senate's disciplinary committee. He noted that law officers have investigated the allegations against Sutton for nearly a year but that no criminal charges have been filed.

Attorney General Larry Long said that the criminal investigation was continuing and that he could not comment further.

Austin Wiese, now 19, testified

that Sutton, a longtime family friend, touched him inappropriately while the two shared a king-size bed at a motel last February. Wiese was 18 at the time.

While it is The Associated Press' policy not to identify people who say they are victims of sexual assault, Wiese's name was used in the public hearing, which was carried live on the Internet, and has been circulated by other media in the state.

The teen's father, Dennis Wiese, watched the debate from a third-floor gallery overlooking the Senate floor and said he thought Sutton

should have been expelled.

"I'm so proud of my son for living through a year of hell. I admire Austin for coming forward immediately and going to the attorney general," Dennis Wiese said.

The father said Austin Wiese was at college in Virginia during the debate and did not wish to speak to reporters.

But Wiese issued a statement on his son's behalf: "He was appreciative that the Senate looked into this, and he said it felt good to get the truth out."

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Plot to torture soldier foiled

British police uncover conspiracy reportedly to kidnap and behead Muslim soldier

The Associated Press

BIRMINGHAM, England — Police foiled a major kidnapping plot, the first of its kind in Britain, with the arrests Wednesday of nine terror suspects who reportedly planned to torture and behead a British Muslim soldier and broadcast the killing on the Internet.

The alleged plot, said by British media to mirror the brutal executions of foreign hostages in Iraq, was in its final stages and uncovered during a six-month surveillance operation by anti-terror officers in this city of more than 1 million in the heart of England.

The arrests came in a

pre-dawn raid on homes and businesses in several Birmingham neighborhoods, which were mostly Pakistani.

"The threat from terrorism remains very real," said Assistant Chief Constable David Shaw, who would not confirm reports from the British Broadcasting Corp. and other media outlets that the intended victim was an army soldier to be killed in an "Iraqi-style" execution and broadcast on the Internet.

Britain has been at the heart of several thwarted alleged terror plots, including a scheme by a British Muslim to blow up the New York Stock Exchange and other landmarks, and a plan by Muslim extremists to use liquid explosives to blow up as many as 10 flights between the United States and Britain.

But the Birmingham kidnapping plot raised fears that a new type of terrorism has reached

Britain, one which uses individual victims to send a message through kidnappings and publicized beheadings.

Although the motive in the new plot was not disclosed, the announcement coincides with other indications that young British Muslims are becoming increasingly angry over this country's involvement in the American-led wars in Afghanistan and Iraq, and the U.S. detention camp in Guantanamo Bay, Cuba.

The four British Muslims who attacked London's transit system in Europe's first suicide bombings had expressed rage over Britain's role in the wars.

Their attack at rush hour on July 7, 2005 killed 52 people.

In the past year, the object of that anger has spilled over to the 330 Muslims who serve in the 180,000-strong British armed forces.

The potential victim of the

latest plot was reportedly a British Muslim soldier who was under police protection, British media reported, though the Defense Ministry would not confirm this.

Britain's first Muslim soldier to be killed in Afghanistan last year was from Birmingham, where the death prompted militant Islamist Web sites to denounce Cpl. Jabron Hashmi, 24, as a traitor. One site — that of extremist British sect al-Ghurabaa — posted an image of the soldier surrounded by flames.

His brother Zeeshan Hashmi, who left the British Army in September 2005, was alerted to the arrests by concerned officials at the Ministry of Defense.

"I'm extremely proud of my role in the British army and my brother's sacrifice," Hashmi said. "My brother didn't just go as a soldier but as a human wanting to help other humans in a region where they were suffering. It had nothing to do with politics."



worldbriefs

The Associated Press

Chavez gets unprecedented power in Venezuela

CARACAS, Venezuela — President Hugo Chavez was granted free rein Wednesday to accelerate changes in broad areas of society by presidential decree — a move critics said propels Venezuela toward dictatorship.

The law gives Chavez, who is beginning a fresh six-year term, more power than he has ever had in eight years as president.

His critics call it a radical lurch toward authoritarianism by a leader with unchecked power — similar to how Fidel Castro monopolized leadership years ago in Cuba.

Iraq stops flights to Syria in readiness for new security plan

BAGHDAD, Iraq — Iraq indefinitely halted all flights to and from Syria and closed a border crossing with Iran as the government prepares for a new security crackdown aimed at crushing violence in the capital and surrounding regions, a member of parliament and an airport official said Wednesday.

The airport official said flights to and from Syria would be canceled for at least two weeks and that service had been interrupted on Tuesday. The actions were seen as a signal to both countries not to interfere in Iraq's affairs as U.S. and Iraqi forces prepare for the major crackdown on armed groups in the capital.

Germany arrests 13 for kidnapping

CIA agents allegedly abducted German citizen after act of anti-terrorism

The Associated Press

BERLIN — German prosecutors said Wednesday that they have issued arrest warrants for 13 suspected CIA agents who allegedly abducted a German citizen in an apparent anti-terrorist operation gone wrong.

It was Washington's second

European ally to seek the arrest of purported CIA agents for spiriting away a terrorism suspect. Italian prosecutors want to question 25 agents and one other American in the alleged kidnapping of an Egyptian cleric suspected of terrorism.

Munich prosecutor Christian Schmidt-Sommerfeld told The Associated Press that warrants in the latest case were issued in the last few days. He said the unidentified agents were sought on suspicion of wrongfully imprisoning Khaled al-Masri and causing him serious bodily harm.

Al-Masri, a German citizen of Lebanese descent, says he was detained in December 2003 at the Serbian-Macedonian border and then flown by the CIA to a jail in Afghanistan, where he was abused. He says he was let go in Albania five months later and told he had been seized in a case of mistaken identity.

Rights activists have seized on al-Masri's story and other cases to demand that the U.S. stop "extraordinary rendition" — moving terrorism suspects to third countries where they could face torture. Some European governments have been

accused of winking at the practice.

Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice and other U.S. officials have declined to address al-Masri's case. However, German Chancellor Angela Merkel has said the Bush administration acknowledged making a mistake with al-Masri.

Germany's government refused to comment on the arrest warrants, as did the CIA. The State Department's deputy spokesman, Tom Casey, said only that the U.S. would review the allegations.

NDR television released a list of 11 men and two women reportedly named in the warrants.

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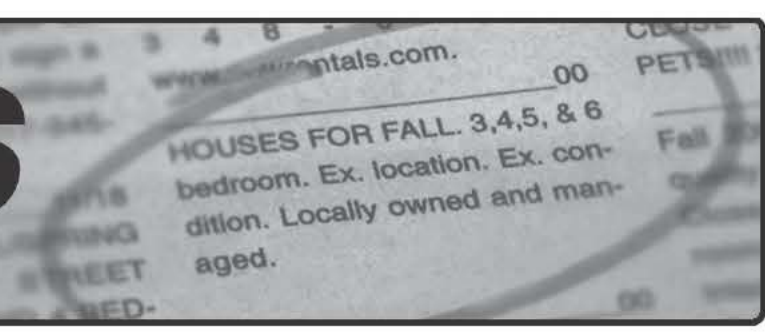
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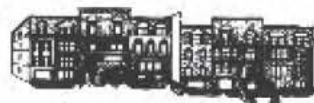
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Sophomore guard Ellen Canale and outside linebacker Lance Briggs have a good deal in common. Briggs, at 6-foot-1, is slightly undersized for his position but plays with great intensity and determination. Canale is the same way; she is a tenacious defender and often is shorter than the opponent she has to guard.

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“While certainly the facial hair is a glaring difference, freshman point guard Lauren Sturtevant is reminiscent of Kyle Orton. Thankfully Sturtevant has left the Grizzly Adams impersonating to Orton.”

Sturtevant has left the Grizzly Adams impersonating to Orton.

Both have had some time in the spotlight but are currently working from the bench. Sturtevant is a ball-control point guard and leads the team in assist-to-turnover ratio.

Orton was reigned in by Bears offensive coordinator

Ron Turner and made safe throws to receivers last season while filling in for the injured Grossman. Senior Amanda Maxedon had a career game Jan. 20 against Morehead State but, for the most part, she is a bench player that gets overlooked but always contributes.

Hunter Hillenmeyer has a similar role, but for the

Bears. The outside linebacker is always in the large shadows cast by Urlacher and Briggs but he is an underrated performer on the best team in the NFC. I could go on and on with the comparisons. Senior forward Megan Scaggs as wide receiver Muhsin Muhammad; their veteran leadership is important for both teams. Megan Edwards

is like veteran safety Mike Brown, who, like Edwards, has watched from the sidelines because of an injury but is still a valuable presence on the team.

But the most important comparison of all is postseason success. The Bears stand on the verge of being Super Bowl champions, the ultimate prize in the NFL.

The Panthers sit in ninth place in the Ohio Valley Conference, but some inspired play down the stretch could vault Eastern into the top eight and give it a spot in the OVC tournament.

With their young talent, much like the Bears at Soldier Field in January, no opposing team wants to see them in the postseason.

INTRAMURALS | NOTEBOOK

Foul ends battle of unbeaten teams

By **Chris Sentel**
I-sports Reporter

Normally, when two undefeated teams play each other in a sporting event, it figures to be a good game. The teams Flame Sauce and Sig Ep Starsky and Hutch played each other on Tuesday in a fraternity B intramural basketball game.

During the second half of the game, Flame Sauce had the lead until close to six minutes left on the clock, when the game came to a screeching halt.

A player from Flame Sauce got a rebound when two members of the Sig Ep Starsky and Hutch team tried to reach in and strip the ball. The players missed the ball and managed to get their arms tangled with the Flame Sauce player's arm. The player from Flame Sauce fell to the ground and looked up for the referee to call a foul. But the referee was behind the incident and unable to see the foul take place. After seeing that the ref was not going to call a foul, the player spiked the basketball and began to yell and curse at the ref. The ref immediately called a technical foul, and when the player became more agitated, the ref called another technical foul and ejected the player. Flame Sauce committed three technical fouls in the game. The referee called the game and declared Sig Ep Starsky and Hutch the winner.

“I would rather not see the game end that way,” said senior communications major Joey Mioni, captain of the Sig Ep Starsky and Hutch team. “You can't act like that whether you were fouled or not.”

Indoor soccer play continues

The Alpha Gamma Delta intramural indoor soccer team was able to start their season off Monday with an 11-4 victory against the Sigma Kappa team. The Alpha Gams appeared to be a well practiced team and passed well.

Team captain, Kristin Klauser, a senior family and consumer sciences major, said the team hasn't really been practicing much. She said they just went out and played and everything turned out good.

The Alpha Gam team did have one major setback: Emily Dawson, an elementary education major, hurt her knee while trying to make a play.

Klauser is unsure of the extent of the injury but she said Dawson will miss at least one game.

“She is on crutches right now,” said Klauser. “I haven't had much of a chance to talk to her about her knee, but she said she has had bad knees for a long time. Hopefully it's not serious and she can come back and play soon.”

First round of badminton ends today

Badminton began Monday with 24 people competing: 17 men and 7 women. The tournament continued on Tuesday and Wednesday and will end today.

“How many participants sign up will determine how many games they're going to get,” said Kevin Linker, intramural sports director. “If we have 16 or more, then each participant should get to play in three or four games that night.”

The winners of this week will go on to the final four on Monday.

Sudoku By Michael Mepham

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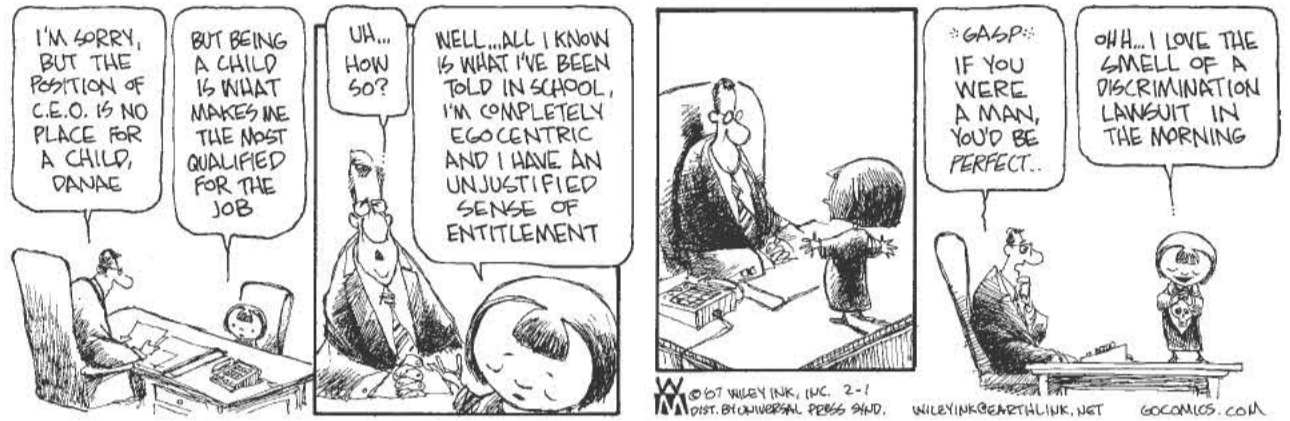
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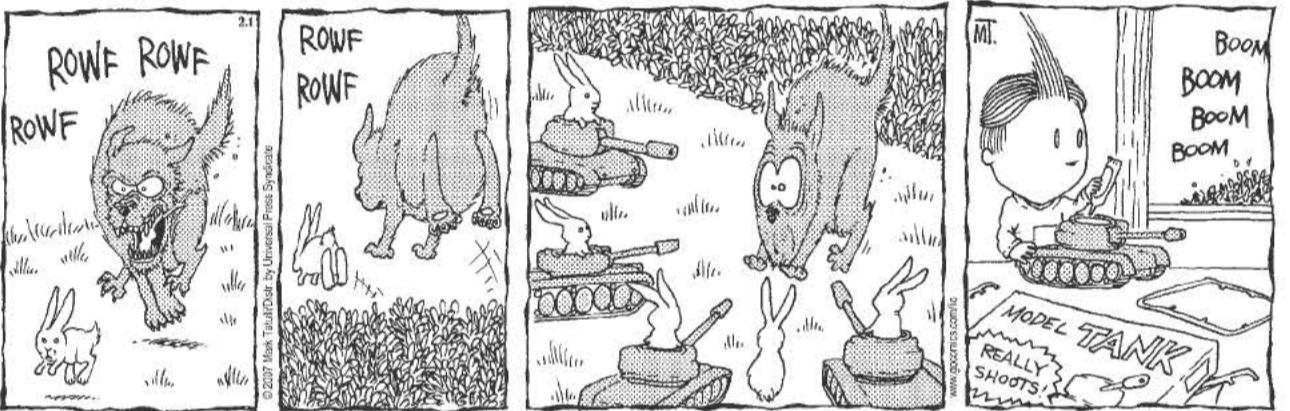
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MEN'S TRACK AND FIELD |
NOTEBOOK

EIU runners competed at Indiana

By Kevin Murphy
Associate Sports Editor

Some Eastern athletes traveled to Bloomington, last weekend separate from the team to compete in the Gladstein Invitational.

Senior Dan Strackeljahn and junior Jillian Blondell had tests on Friday and drove themselves to Bloomington, Ind., along with senior Brad Runnion. Runnion, competed unattached because he only has one season of eligibility left in the outdoor season.

Runnion ran the mile in 4 minutes, 22.73 seconds, and finished in 18th place. Strackeljahn competed in a 3,000-meter invitational race. His time of 8:31 earned him 11th place.

"In the last 1,000 meters, it didn't feel like I had another gear," Strackeljahn said.

Wesley Corir of Louisville won the event in a time of 8:14.68. Strackeljahn competed against runners from bigger schools like Louisville, Ohio State, Indiana and Tennessee.

Strackeljahn's time is the third best in the Ohio Valley Conference this year in the 3,000-meter race. He had the best time in the OVC (15:18.52) in the 5,000-meter race when he ran that mark at the Mega Meet on Jan. 20. Strackeljahn said he plans to run the mile and the mile leg of the distance medley relay in his second straight weekend in Bloomington as the Panthers



JOHN BAILEY | THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

Freshman Justin Stewart (left), sophomore Nate Atkinson, and freshman Alex Soto run the mile during the Eastern Track and Field Mega Meet at Lantz Arena. Eastern competes at the Indiana Invitational in Bloomington, Ind., this weekend.

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Vaulters have highs and lows

Eastern pole vaulters experienced ups and downs – literally – this past weekend. Two pole vaulters set personal bests this week while one no-heighted.

Sophomore Ben Hinds and senior Ed Miller set season bests. Hinds and Miller vaulted 15 feet, 5.5 inches. They are tied for second and in the conference behind senior

Kyle Ellis. Ellis, who no-heighted, is the only member of the Eastern track squad to qualify for the NCAA Indoor Championships.

"It'd be nice to get somebody back to the indoor championships," said head coach Tom Akers. "It's a very, very elite group to get to the indoor championships."

Jumps coach Nate Davis said the vaulters were working at a longer distance.

"(Ellis) could have made the bar at a shorter run," Davis said. "We're

trying to get his long run down."

Ellis' vault of 17 feet, .75 inches is 15th-best in the nation and best in the conference.

Schultz honored by the OVC

The OVC named senior Jimmy Schultz field athlete of the week. Schultz threw 54 feet, 3.75 inches in the 35-pound weight throw competition at the Northern Iowa Invitational.

He placed second despite having a hand problem, which may limit

how he can throw.

"Once that hand heals, hopefully he'll be battling for conference titles (in the shot put and the weight throw)," Akers said.

The throw at UNI was a season best for Schultz. He is second in the shot put in the OVC this season with a throw of 52 feet, 8.25 inches.

Eastern has won all of the OVC field athletes of the week except for week. Jan. 23, John Berry of Southeast Missouri shared honors with Ellis.

» Brock

FROM PAGE 12

Eastern head coach Mike Miller went and saw Brock in a game where he made three 3-pointers, scored 19 points and finished the game with six straight free throws, Smith said.

Miller said he noticed that Brock had a knack for scoring, was big-bodied and had skill.

Brock has also been adjusting to the difference in the competition level from high school to college.

He said in high school, teams had only one or two players on their team that were key players.

At the college level, all five players are dangerous.

"It is a huge difference in the speed of the game too because non-stop you're moving; you're moving all the time," Brock said. "In high school, it seems like you got so many more breaks."

One break that Brock did not get was during high school basketball practice.

His high school head coach Jeff Kasparie said one day he noticed Brock was lagging and not getting

anything done.

He then sent Brock to the sidelines to run but soon noted that he wasn't trying hard.

Kasparie then threw a ball in his direction to change his pace.

"I meant for the ball to hit him in the side or bounce off the bleachers, you know just get him moving," Kasparie said.

"After I threw it, some of his teammates yelled 'Justin, look out' so as he turned his head, the ball hit him square in the face," Kasparie said.

College basketball has hit Brock square in the face, as well.

He hasn't played in three games this year.

Miller said Brock has been especially productive in practice the

last few weeks and it has transferred into the games.

All he needed was a break – and not the injury type.

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MEN'S BASKETBALL | EASTERN VS. JACKSONVILLE STATE

'Our backs are against the wall'

Panthers, Gamecocks meet in game that could decide both team's postseason fate

By Matt Daniels
Sports Editor

Eastern head coach Mike Miller has said all season the biggest game on his team's schedule is the next game.

Actually, whomever Eastern happens to be playing on a particular night is his team's most important game of the season.

Those words ring true for tonight's game against Jacksonville State, but with even more weight.

An Eastern loss against the Gamecocks and the Panthers' faint chances of qualifying for the Ohio Valley Conference tournament will become more dim.

An Eastern win makes Saturday's home against Samford the biggest game of the season.

This is the situation the Panthers (6-16, 2-11 OVC) are looking at, currently sitting in last place.

The situation is almost identical for Jacksonville State (6-16, 4-9), who is two games ahead of Eastern in 10th place.

Both teams are potentially one loss away from ending any chance of making the eight-team conference tournament.

Miller said he thinks his team



JAY GRABIEC | THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

Red-shirt freshman guard Freddie Perry guards sophomore guard Mike Robinson during practice Tuesday afternoon at Lantz Arena. Eastern will be playing Jacksonville State on Thursday evening and Samford on Saturday evening at Eastern.

has played better in the last several weeks, but like the case has been all season, they haven't made the extra play to win a game.

The Panthers did make the extra play in last Saturday's 65-62 win at Morehead State.

"Our backs have been up against the wall for a couple weeks now," said Miller, whose team just ended an eight-game winning streak with the win at Morehead.

"Getting one win doesn't make up for anything. It just leads you to the next day."

The Gamecocks come in fresh off a 72-64 win Tuesday night against Tennessee State. What might not be fresh are JSU's legs.

JSU bussed overnight from Jacksonville, Ala., to Charleston, a trip that takes nine hours and covers 557 miles.

After tonight's game, the Gamecocks have to travel back to Jacksonville for a Saturday night home game against Murray State.

But Gamecock head coach Mike LaPlante said traveling this long distance is better after a win than a

GAME PREVIEW



Jacksonville State (6-16) @ Eastern (6-16)

Time: 7:35 p.m.

Place: Lantz Arena

EIU's last game:

65-62 W at Morehead St.

Jacksonville St.'s last game:

72-64 W at Tennessee St.

per game.

"We're going to focus a lot of attention on Courtney Bradley because he's a really athletic forward so we're really going to have to help down on him," said Eastern sophomore guard Mike Robinson.

Miller said he is uncertain about what type of defensive schemes Eastern will use to slow down JSU.

When Bradley is in the game and Eastern is playing man-to-man defense, the most likely player guarding him will be junior center Jake Byrne.

The 6-foot-8, 220-pound center has a height advantage on him, but he admitted it would be a tough match-up for him. Byrne compared him to a smaller Shaun Williams, Morehead State's 6-foot-6, 216-pound scoring leader.

"He's going to be a little bit smaller (than Williams), but with that comes athleticism," he said. "(I) just have to kind of keep my feet down and play good defense."

Stopping the athletic Gamecocks from getting offensive rebounds and fast-break points is a key to the game, Miller said.

And Robinson and his teammates know what their season will be with a loss tonight.

"We're trying to win all the rest of the games to put us in the best position to make the playoffs," Robinson said. "So we basically can't lose. If we lose one game, we're out of it."

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL | EASTERN VS. JACKSONVILLE STATE

Panthers face tough matchup in Slaughter

By Marc Correnti
Staff reporter

Brady Sallee was too late.

By the time he was named women's basketball coach at Eastern, Courtney Slaughter was already picked over.

At the time, Slaughter, a Dolton native, was one of the more underrated recruits in Illinois. Sallee knew when he arrived in Charleston that time was short.

Sallee attempted to call Thornwood High School, Slaughter's alma mater, but the 5-foot-7 junior already committed to playing at Jacksonville State.

"She was one of the recruits that slipped through the cracks," Sallee said.

While Sallee looks back at the one that got away, he'll see plenty of Slaughter and the rest of the Gamecocks tonight at Lantz Arena.

"She's got one of the best 1-2 dribbles in the league," Sallee said. "The first thing we must do is stop dribble penetration. Her quickness will kill you. We're gonna have to use a lot of different people on her."

Even though Sallee plans different defensive looks against Slaughter, Ellen Canale will draw most of the responsibility in limiting Slaughter.

It will be up to Canale to carry out Sallee's game plan of "banging (Slaughter) around a little bit."

"She's very quick and athletic," Canale said. "She brings aggressiveness to that team. The quick girls have an advantage on me because I'm not as fast. It's fun playing someone as athletic as she is. I thrive on that."

Slaughter has continued her strong play from last season (13.2

GAME PREVIEW

Jacksonville State (6-16) @ Eastern (7-14)

Time: 5:15 p.m.

Place: Lantz Arena

EIU's last game:

59-71 L at Morehead St.

Jacksonville St.'s last game:

76-69 W at Tennessee St.

ppg) to this season (14.0 ppg), where she has taken a leadership role on a Gamecocks (6-16, 3-10 OVC) team decimated by graduation.

Going into the season, Jacksonville State had to adjust to the losses of two of its top four scorers from last season. With the graduation of Rebecca Haynes (13.6 ppg) and Anne-Marie Healy (11.2 ppg), most of the burden has been put on Slaughter and LaTonya McKinney.

"Courtney is playing real well," Jacksonville State coach Becky Geyer said. "She's the person leading our team. She has a real savvy for the game that can't be taught."

With Eastern (7-14, 4-8) favoring the half-court press most of the season, their defense may be forced to shift gears against a Jacksonville State team that relies on four guards with quickness.

As many guards as Jacksonville



AMIR PRELLBERG | THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

Sophomore guard Ellen Canale and freshman forward Marie Baker fight for the ball during a tumble at practice on Wednesday at Lantz Arena. Eastern will play against the Jacksonville State Gamecocks at 5:15 today at Lantz Arena.

State uses, it will give the Panthers a chance to get rebounding opportunities that could result in second-chance points. Jacksonville

State ranks last in the Ohio Valley Conference with a minus-7.9 rebounding differential.

"A lot of our rebounding relies

on Rachel (Galligan) having great (rebounding) games," Sallee said. "We really struggle when the other team's (big players) are athletic."

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JOE WALTASTI | THE EXTRA POINT

Comparing Panthers to Bears

The Super Bowl is only three days away, but the Chicago Bears are not the only team with an important game this weekend.

Eastern's women's basketball has two important games starting tonight against Jacksonville State and continuing on Saturday against Samford.

The similarities between the two teams do not stop at their schedules this weekend. Many Panthers have similar abilities, styles of play or attitudes as members of the Bears.

The most obvious similarity is between freshman point guard Jessica Huffman and quarterback Rex Grossman. The pair both led their respective teams and have, at times, been inconsistent.

Grossman has put up ridiculous numbers in some games but been terrible in others. Huffman has not had any lows quite like Grossman, but she has had the highs.

Huffman scored 38 points Dec. 20 against Morehead State and averages 18 points per game. But her turnover problems, like Grossman's interceptions and fumbles, have been a drawback.

Another easy comparison to make is between linebacker Brian Urlacher and sophomore forward Rachel Galligan.

Galligan is the heart and soul of the team and head coach Brady Sallee looks to her to consistently perform well everyday. Bears head coach Lovie Smith looks for the same consistency from Urlacher.

Senior guard Meggie Eck, with her long-range shooting and accuracy, is the Robbie Gould of the women's basketball team. While Gould is making his shots from a longer range, both have a specialty they have perfected.



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TOP CAT | JUSTIN BROCK

Getting the break

Freshman produces in Eastern's win, is slowly learning to adjust to rigors of Division I basketball

By Brandy Provaznik
Staff Reporter

Justin Brock arrived at Eastern no stranger to injury.

The freshman on Eastern's men's basketball team had them scattered throughout his athletic career.

Brock broke his foot in a go-kart accident when he was 13-years-old.

Gym class also proved to be dangerous for Brock, who broke two bones in his arm playing wiffle ball and his index finger playing volleyball.

The last injury Brock, a 6-foot-8, 240-pound center, received resulted in nine stitches in the back of his head from freshman Ousmane Cisse's elbow earlier this season.

"We were playing five-on-five in the gym and Ousmane came down on the back of my head with his big, old elbow," Brock said. "He gave (junior) Jake Byrne stitches in his chin and (freshman) Brandon D'Amico a black eye with that elbow of his. Cisse has lethal elbows."

His mother, Sylvia Brock, said the reason he gets injured is because of his competitiveness and risk-taking.

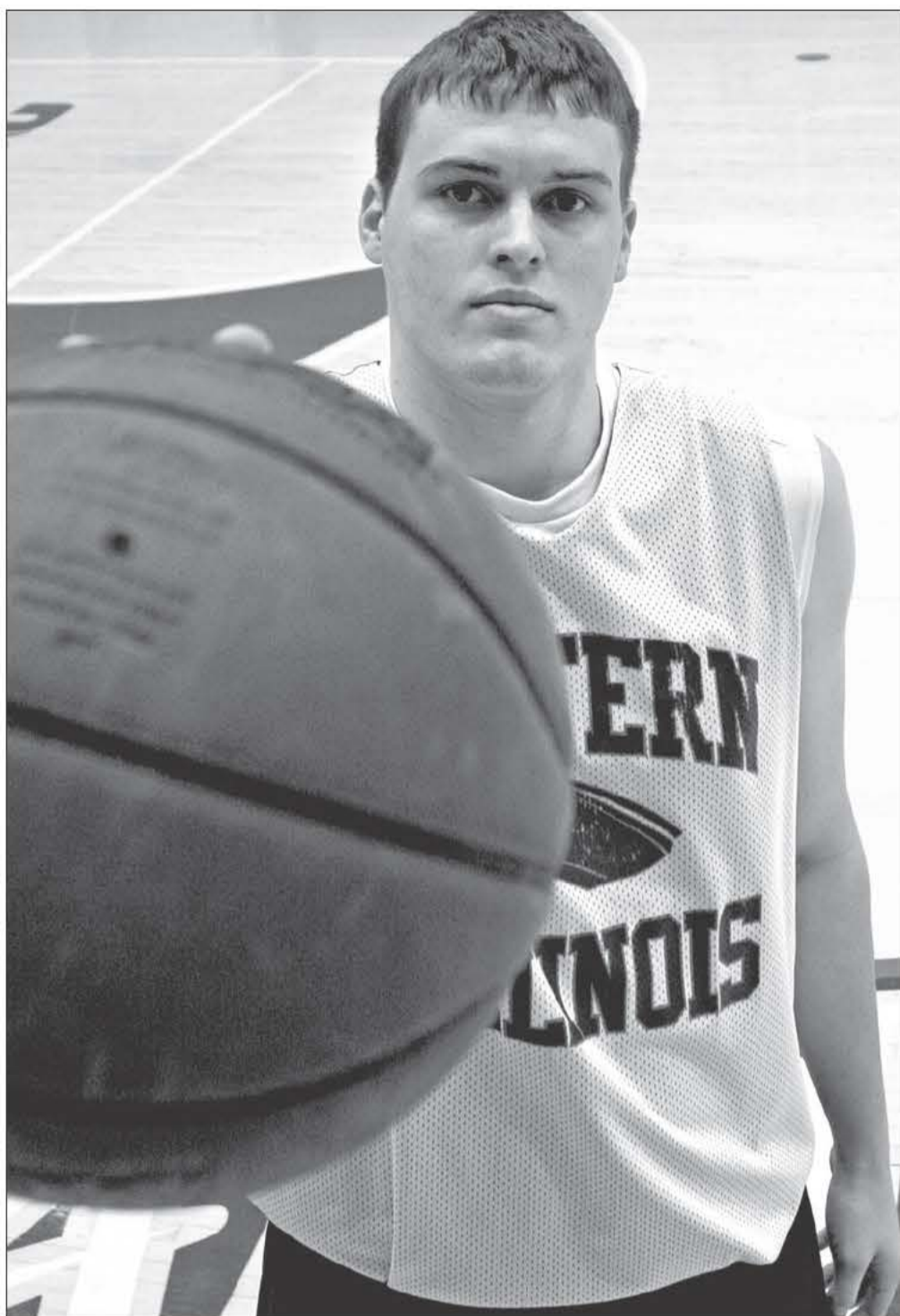
Brock would be playing basketball with his sister, who is six years younger, and he would play as hard as he could, Sylvia said.

That competitiveness proved vital this past Saturday as Brock scored nine points in only 13 minutes, helping Eastern defeat Morehead State and end the Panthers' eight-game losing streak.

"It doesn't matter what it is, if he likes it he will try so hard to be the best at it," said Tim Smith, Brock's cousin. "It could be basketball or Halo or whatever. If he wants to, he will put a lot of time and energy into it."

However, Brock did not always know that he wanted to play basketball.

It wasn't until he moved from Fort Wayne, Ind., to Quincy at the age of 12 that he realized



JAY GRABIEC | THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

Freshman forward Justin Brock contributed off the bench last Saturday in Eastern's 65-62 win at Morehead State. Brock scored nine points in 13 minutes against the Eagles and helped the Panthers end their eight-game losing streak.

how much he loved the sport, his mother said. "Basketball is huge in Quincy and he figured out he was good at it and he liked it so he stuck with it," Sylvia said.

After a year, his family moved to the small farm community of Liberty, not far from Quincy.

Brock said by his senior year he was the just about the only "city boy" on the basketball team.

"They didn't lift weights at Liberty," he said. "You got all your strength from bailing haystacks and doing all that."

Brock also remembered how the community came together for basketball games.

His high school team made the state finals his junior year, and he was excited his small school competed at that level with bigger schools.

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MEN'S BASKETBALL | NATIONAL TELEVISION

Eastern to play on ESPN2

Panthers hope game will help in recruiting efforts, bring national exposure to team

By Joe Waltasti
Sports Reporter

ESPN is coming to campus on Saturday afternoon, and it's not because of Tony Romo.

The men's basketball game against Samford on Saturday at 5 p.m. will be nationally televised on ESPN2.

"I'm really excited," said junior center Jake Byrne, who hopes to see a big crowd. "I hope we can pack the place."

Byrne also added that the game will give his friends back home in Elsberry, Mo., a chance to watch him play.

"It's too far for them to come to games but now they can watch it on TV," Byrne said.

Besides friends from home getting a chance to watch an Eastern game, there are other important benefits to the program as a whole.

Head coach Mike Miller said he has told recruits about the game for a while now.

"When you have a chance to get national exposure, it's a great thing," Miller said. "We

MIKE MILLER | HEAD COACH

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The decision to broadcast Saturday's game was made by both Ohio Valley Conference and ESPN officials.

OVC assistant commissioner for media relations, Kyle Schwartz, said ESPN gives the conference available dates and then ESPN producers and conference administrators get together to determine "the most attractive match-ups."

The OVC has an agreement with ESPN to have a set number of games televised each season.

But the majority of those games are aired on ESPNU, the station's all-college sports channel that is not a part of most cable providers' basic plans, including Mediacom.

The Panthers' game against the Bulldogs will be the only regular season OVC game to be televised on ESPN2.

The championship game of the conference tournament will also be shown on ESPN2.

Dr. Jerry Punch and Bucky Waters will be the on-air talent for Saturday's game.

Samford has a home game tonight against Tennessee State in Birmingham, Ala., and will immediately get on a bus and make the eight-hour trip to Charleston overnight.

Samford head coach Jimmy Tillette said the long distance for the game is a negative but playing on ESPN2 is always a positive, especially since the school is debating a switch to the Southern Conference.

With all the added attention and a much larger crowd expected to be at Lantz Arena than for most Eastern games, Byrne said the Panthers would likely feed off the atmosphere.

"It really shouldn't, but I know it will," Byrne said about the attention affecting the team. "Maybe we will play longer and with more energy."