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South Quad Mixer helps break the ice

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Missing comedian no problem for event

T-shirts, snacks given away in busy Bridge Lounge

By Kayleigh Zykowski

Activities Editor

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Students were found on every floor of the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union for Up All Night Friday evening.

The University Board hosted one of its largest events of the year with around 2,000 students coming to the Fantasy Factory.

A comedian, Theo Von, was advertised to perform, but after a misunderstanding with the comedy chair Matt Caponera, Von was scheduled for Saturday night instead.

"We had issues with the date being misunderstood, but felt there was too much going on to-

night so we thought (Saturday) night would be a better fit, anyways," Caponera said.

The Grand Ballroom housed two activities including a booth to make a music video and past favorite, laser tag.

Maria Gajewski, a senior, took advantage of the opportunity and made a music video with two of her friends.

"It was a blast. I think last year they had the same thing, but this year we actually get a CD," Gajewski said. "It has been a fun night with free shirts and free

The Bridge Lounge held the most traffic with members of the UB handing out free Tshirts on every hour and snacks.

Brittanie Bishop, a sophomore Resident Assistant at Pemberton Hall, brought some of her residents over to get

air brushed tattoos and spin art sunglasses in the University Ballroom.

"I was in line for a while. There are a lot of people trying to get the painted glasses, but they seem pretty neat," Bishop said.

Otis Seawood, special events coordinat for the UB, said a couple new things were tried this year, including the game show Blizzard of Bucks.

'We had never done a game show before so we thought it would be a good idea to try to bring Blizzard of Bucks in," Seawood said. "We also brought back some old favorites like Bingo which has become a tradition at Up All Night."

"Angels and Demons" was also shown on the third floor and racecar simulators were outside.

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HOUSING & DINING

Dining halls overhaul hours

Hours extended at Union, most dining centers

By Sarah Jean Bresnahan **Campus Editor**

Students eating in the dining halls will notice an increase in the hours and food options available in the dining centers across campus from last year.

University Housing and Dining Services added an additional 21.5 hours of operation throughout the

Hours were extended at all dining halls and at restaurants in Martin Luther King Jr. University

Students who attend Late Night Pizza at Thomas Hall and Reservation Only Dining at Stevenson Hall will now be able to enjoy those meals on Sunday nights as well.

The only cut was Java B and B now closes at 2 p.m. on Fridays.

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Weekday hour Changes

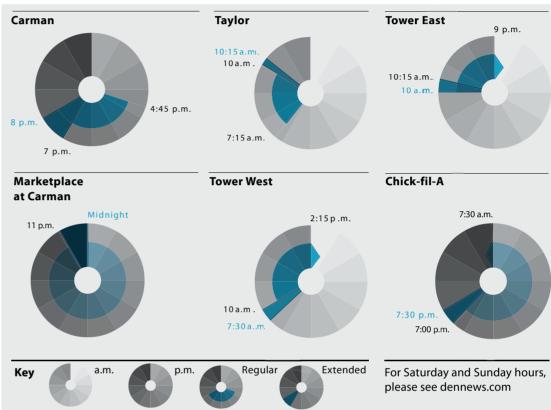


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HOUSING & DINING

Jamaica theme hit with students

Event drew in estimated 3,000 people

By Emily Steele

Student Government Editor

Jumping high over the crowds, Miranda Ambuske could see wary people holding snakes and eager students racing through an inflatable obstacle course during Saturday's Quakin' the Quad.

Ambuske, a second year graduate student in College Student Affairs, pointed her toes as she did flips and stunts on the XTREME trampoline, a bungee system which propels a person up to 24 feet in the air, which she had previously experienced when training as a diver.

"I think it's great that the (Residence Hall Association) and Student Government plan this for us, so you might as well use it," Ambuske said.

She was one of an estimated 3,000 people who attended Saturday's Jammin' Jamaica themed event, said first-time coordinator Otis Seawood.

Seawood, the special events coordinator for The University Board, got the idea at home while watching a Jamaican band on TV and started planning from there.

"This year it was a free-for-all for me to do my thing," said Sea-



KAROLINA STRACK | THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

Evan Davis, a junior, attempts to kiss a boa constrictor at the live reptile and amphibian show during Quakin' the Quad Saturday in the South Quad.

wood, who tried to find a variety of events such as the rock-climbing wall, sand art and a table where students could take a photo in front of a green screen and have it printed into a postcard.

Free pizza, Jamaican style food and more than 500 T-shirts were handed out all evening, as all the lines remained long. The bingo tent spilled over with students playing to win prizes like a Wii game system, Rock Band and a 40-inch TV.

Phillip Huang, a first year graduate student in administration, won a miniature refrigerator on only his second round playing bingo as he beat out two other people in his first game of rock-paper-scissors.

"I leave the luck to other people," Huang said.

The event cost approximate-

ly \$19,000, said Seawood, who was pleased with how Quakin' the Quad turned out.

"The beginning of the year is stressful," he said. "We want to make the transition as easy as pos-

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WEATHER TODAY



Mostly Sunny

A beautiful start to the semester with mostly sunny skies. High pressure dominates the region this week with highs reaching 87 by Wednesday. Expect a chance of thunderstorms and showers on Friday. The weekend will be cooler with highs near 80.

WEATHER TOMORROW



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CAMPUS BRIEFS Study abroad informational session

Come and learn about the study abroad opportunities Eastern has to offer and find out where you will go at 9-9:30 a.m. today. This information session is being held in 2103 Blair Hall.

There will be other informational meetings at 2-2:30 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday in the same

Free flu vaccinations for students

Seasonal flu vaccines are available at the Health Service Clinic. Walk-ins are welcome, beginning today and continuing during the first week of classes.

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Textbook Rental Service Observing Extended Hours

Textbook Rental Service will be open from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. Monday through Friday, Aug. 24 through 28. Regular business hours of 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. will resume Monday, Aug. 31.

—Compiled by Associate News Editor Bob

Faculty Laureate welcomes new students



ALYCIA ROCKEY | THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

Reed Benedict, Eastern's 2009-2010 Faculty Laureate and professor of criminology, spoke to the incoming freshman class in Lantz Arena for Eastern's 12th Annual Convocation Ceremony and Panther Prowl Welcome Friday. Benedict spoke of his college experiences and gave students

advice toward improving their college experience. President Bill Perry and Student Body President Michelle Murphy also spoke to the new students, who were required to attend. At the same time, transfer students met in the Student Recreation Center to hear speakers Blair Lord, provost and vice president for academic affairs and Jean Wolski, Eastern's Faculty Laureate in 2003-2004.

BLOTTER

Morgan McClain, 21, of Shelbyville, was charged with driving under the influence of alcohol after a 12:49 a.m. Friday arrest at Fourth Street and Grant Avenue, according to the University Police Department.

Michael Caramusa, 19, of Barrington, was charged with possession of cannabis after a 1:44 a.m. Friday arrest in Carman Hall, police said.

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School spirit alive at First Night

A video exploring the First Night before class in the South Quad.



The 34-hour day

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Expenses don't end for college students

By Sarah Ruholl

Administration Editor

Tuition and room and board are not the only costs of going to college. Students also need computers, clothing, school supplies and many other necessities that may not be immediately obvious.

"At home, pens are in the drawer, but here they're not," said Ed Gillespie, a sophomore nursing major.

The cost of these items adds up. Students often spend more than \$700 on a computer, \$50 on a pair of jeans and \$100 or more on a mini fridge and microwave for a dorm room.

Students are finding ways to save money on bigger ticket items.

"My refrigerator was my brother's," said Cameron Herre, a sophomore undecided major.

Off campus, students are finding inexpensive ways to furnish their houses or apartments as well.

"I kind of found it all from my friends or at my house," said Terry Ryan, a junior business management major. "Me being broke helped my decisions. I'm not going to spend the

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Summer happenings affect university, city

As students worked back home or hit the beach on vacation this summer, na, 22, along with Justin Sleezer, 22, Eastern and Charleston witnessed several important events. Here are some of the main headlines you may have missed while away.

Student deaths

• Andrew Galo, a senior political science major from Northbrook, died in a car accident while visiting his home May 22.

Galo was a passenger in a Chevrolet Silverado pickup truck traveling southbound on Lakewood Avenue. The vehicle left the road and struck a parked semi-trailer near the intersection of LeBaron and Monroe Streets, police

of Yorkville, were killed in a bus accident May 30.

The two men's heads struck the I-57 overpass while the 1975 Leyland double-decker bus was traveling eastbound on Route 16.

The group was coming back from a trip to Lake Shelbyville but stopped at the McDonald's in Mattoon before going back to Charleston.

• Christine Miller, a Missouri police officer, pleaded not guilty on Aug. 12, to charges in an alleged drunk-driving accident that killed four people March

Three of the victims, Priya Darshini Muppavarapu, Anusha Anumolu and

• Eastern student Cameron Cha- Anitha Lakshmi Veerapaneni were in- academic affairs, serves as the chair for ternational graduate students at East- the search committee.

The case will be tried before a grand jury and the trial date has not yet been

Administrative changes

• Jerry Donna was appointed as the new financial aid director at Eastern July 20. Donna replaced 30-year Eastern employee Jone Zieren.

Donna was the director of Financial Aid at Salem College in Winston-Sa-

• Jill Nilsen, vice president for external relations, announced her retirement June 24, effective Dec. 31. Blair Lord, provost and vice president for

Campus, town improvements

• The Student Success Center moved from its temporary location at 1125 McAfee Gymnasium to the new addition of the Ninth Street Hall. The center will have a grand opening Sept.

• The three dilapidated rental houses on Polk Avenue and Fourth Street were demolished Aug. 15. Developers Chad and Hadley Phillips plan to construct a 56-bedroom apartment building on this property, and are seeking a variance in the city's density requirements to build 22 two-bedroom and 12 one-bedroom apartments.

The city zoning board is set to consider their variance petition on Aug.

• A portion of Grant Avenue was named "Panther Way" June 16.

Grant Avenue, from University Drive to Fourth Street, will now have a sign above the street sign that reads "Panther Way."

 Ne-Co Asphalt Co. was hired Aug. 12, by Charleston to resurface parts of West Polk Avenue, 14th Street, University Drive and Ninth Street this fall. The company will be paid \$421,390 from federal economic stimulus mon-

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Changes big and small



Tyler Angelo

Walking around campus earlier this month, there were some obvious changes from the last time I'd been here.

I saw about 100 new Apple computers in Booth Library's computer lab. Then, after a short stroll to the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union, and a relaxing 20-minute stay, I finally pried myself from the luxury of one of the new massage chairs. Driving down 4th Street, I was sad to see the disappearance of the panther statue outside Marty's bar.

It happens almost every summer; changes are made and many are left wondering, 'Why did this happen?' or 'When's this going to be finished?'

The Daily Eastern News is here to find the answers to those questions.

Many might not be used to change, like freshmen living away from home for the first time, or those who graduated and moved on to the real world, which must have been quite a change. I actually had a tiny taste of that when I worked an internship at a newspaper in Ottawa this summer. I battled truck drivers, lane closures and idiots driving while talking on their phones for two hours each day just on my commutes. But it was my first glimpse into life beyond college's walls, and the change was sort of a wake-up call.

But along with learning of the changes around here, *The DEN* will find out the basic who, what, where, why, when and how of each story to inform you, the readers.

We'll submit our work to this campus five days a week and we'd love to start a conversation with you all.

As editor in chief, I'd like to hear what you think of everything by sending letters to the editor, leaving comments online or coming in and talking with us in the newsroom in Buzzard Hall.

To encourage conversations between *The DEN* and you, the readers, we will feature usergenerated comments from our Web site on page 4, along with the usual columns, cartoons and editorials. The topics of our editorials will again be written from the collective opinion of our Editorial Board, which is listed on page 2.

Among other *DEN* changes, you might notice mostly the difference in appearance. Chris Lee, our managing editor, has reworked *The DEN*'s aesthetic and added nuances to accommodate the leaner look. Our online edition will also add multimedia experiences, so be on the lookout at www.dennews.com.

A newspaper functions best when its readers are involved with the informational process. Part of this process comes from readers' input and ideas you can bring forth for us to report on. Remember, *The DEN* is funded by student fees and is just as much your paper as it is ours.

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DAILY EDITORIAL

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

Move-in day goes smoothly, despite a few bumps

ith the end of summer comes the beginning of a new semester at Eastern. For some, it is the culmination of 18 years of nervous anticipation, wiling away the hours during that final semester of high school, daydreaming about the promise and opportunities that college may bring.

For others, it is simply a ho-hum burden, a repeat occurrence that, like past years, must simply be muscled through with great patience and a false smile glued to one's face.

For better or worse, move-in day is a far greater experience than its name alludes to.

What can one expect from a day that promises thousands of students, old and new, attempting to cram the majority of their worldly possessions into a room barely larger than a broom closet?

In a story that appeared on www.dennews.com Friday, Mark Hudson, director of housing and dining services, said more than 2,000 students moved in Thursday with another 500 or so Friday. Add to that the requisite parents that accompany said students and possibly a few siblings and it is easy to see why Hudson refers to move-in day as "organized chaos."

This year, though, went off for the most part with few hirches.

"It was a fantastic day," Hudson said. "It's always a team effort. Everything went very smoothly."

Something must be said for the nearly 400 Panther Pals roaming campus. The volunteers helped students with everything from unpacking all the way to comforting the undoubtedly nervous.

"For better or worse, move-in day is a far greater experience than its name

alludes to."

As the new students watched their parents' car slowly shrink into the distance and as they came to the realization that they are, in fact, all on their own now, the Panther Pals were there to ease the nerves.

The efforts of these individuals who sacrifice their time and effort to help acclimate new students is invaluable. Added muscle is always useful when moving, but the true quality must have come in the form of knowledge.

From directing families to the correct building/room to having been in the shaky shoes of new students before, the Panther Pals are always key in the efforts of move-in day.

One could focus on the negatives, though. The nearly hour-long wait for elevators in Carman Hall that would test even the most stoic person's patience all the way to the daunting lines for said elevators that stretched through the lobby doors, down the ramp and around the corner into the parking lot.

But what can be expected when more than 5,000 people descend on a town that only has a permanent population of 11,000?

Move-in day often leaves many on campus with the feeling of a collective deep breath and the anticipation that rises inside just before plunging into waters too dark to see the bottom. It is a harrowing task for all involved.

That being said, this year's was much smoother than most and the efforts of so many did not go unnoticed.

In fact, move-in day 2009 seemed to have much more organization than it did chaos and now, as a whole, Eastern can look ahead to the fall semester knowing students have finally settled into their new home.

FROM THE EASEL



ABOUT THE NEW DESIGN

Clarity, consistency key to new look

When the decision was made to redesign *The Daily Eastern News*, it wasn't only because of stale looks, but it was to make sure we could better accommodate our readers' needs.

We know we aren't the flashiest newspaper in the world. We aren't fortunate enough to be able to have color photos spread throughout our pages. But that doesn't deter us from making our newspaper as clear and professional as possible. This redesign, we feel, is the best way of doing just that.

Overall, the new look takes inspiration from the cutting edge of news design from domestic and foreign papers. *The Guardian*, Portugal's *Publico* and *The Virginia Pilot* are just a few of the award-winning papers that have inspired the design of *The DEN*.

The front page flag is a staple of *The DEN* and has been for years. The revamping of the flag works because it uses traditions of the past while still maintaining the iconic blue. The teas-

ers we've placed on that page are to help remind our front-page readers what's inside, whether it's a news page, sports page or on our Web site, www.dennews.com.

Page 2 is another new feature in *The DEN*. It will change each day, bringing different features on a campus, local and national level. It should be your go-to page for any tidbit of information

The online content has changed drastically. News on campus and around the area is abundant and stretches far beyond the reaches of these eight (and sometimes 12) pages. *The DEN* is expanding its coverage to the Web to make sure any and all news you care about is covered. If it can't fit in these pages, it can surely fit in the unlimited space of the World Wide Web.

Basically, we want to make *The DEN* as clear and concise as possible for our readers, and to use our Web site to expand our coverage in new and exciting ways.

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Move-in day dodges weather bullet

Kayleigh Zyskowski

Activities Editor

The traffic around Charleston started swelling on Thursday morning.

Volunteers in bright blue Panther Pal shirts could be seen across campus, and hundreds of students were lined up at elevators in resident halls with nervous smiles and sweaty palms.

This could only mean one thing: Move-in day.

About 2,000 students moved to campus Thursday, with 500 more students arriving throughout the weekend, said Mark Hudson, director of Housing and Dining.

After a strong storm came through the Charleston area Wednesday evening, Hudson said he was bracing for the worst, but the day went smooth-

"It was a forecast for storms all day, but it all went away and ended up being a gorgeous day," he said. "You can't beat temperatures around 70 with a little breeze."

Many students found themselves asking for more breeze, though.

While most of the residence halls have elevators, the south tower of Taylor Hall has five floors with only stairs.

Kirstin Bowns, a desk assistant for



ERIC HILTNER | THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

Kiley Lefevour, a freshman marketing major, talks on the phone Thursday during her hour-long wait to use the elevator in Carman Hall.

Taylor Hall, has adapted to not us-

ing the elevator.
"I lived in the south tower last vear, and move-in was the worst," Bowns said. "But after that you just get used to it, and it's a good work-

Kyle Bakke, a freshman on the

fifth floor of Taylor Hall, said moving in was not difficult.

"So far it's been pretty easy," he said. "We got a parking space right away and the volunteers have been really nice and very helpful. I also packed light so it isn't bad at all."

Assisting those moving in were

600 to 700 volunteers.

Panther Pal Tara Dawson ran down the stairs of the south tower of Taylor Hall out of breath and a bit sweaty, but with a huge smile on her face. She found another family pushing a blue cart and ran back up the stairs with another armload of belongings.

"So far it hasn't been so bad," Dawson said. "They split us up into groups and said we could switch if we got tired. I think I may be doing that

While Carman Hall does have elevators, it is the line outside them that gets the new Carman residents down.

Elevator lines wrapped around the north side of the building and down past Carman Pond.

Olivia Angeloff, a freshman in Carman Hall, waited in line for 15 minutes before getting up to her room.

"I chose Carman because when I came for a tour, the guide said most freshmen live here," she said.

Hudson said although it may seem all freshmen live in Carman, 40 percent of the freshmen live in Carman.

Kaitlin Szymanski, a junior business management student, moved into Stevenson Hall for her second semester. Stevenson Hall houses juniors and seniors.

"I had to move back into the dorms again because my mom made me," Szymanski said. "I am excited but it would also be nice to eventually have my own place."

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HOURS, from page 1

The extended hours come as a result from the Resident Hall Satisfaction Survey, given by the University Housing and Dining Services last fall. The survey had a response from more than 45 percent of residents.

Mark Hudson, director of Housing and Dining, said one thing the students expressed the most interest in was increasing dining hall hours.

Although 93 percent of those who responded to the survey reported being satisfied with the serving hours in the dining centers, Housing and Dining has made it a goal to make that number even higher. Of those who responded, 3 percent gave the dining centers an overall negative rating.

MOTHERS

Increased hours require extra shifts

Housing and Dining hires approximately 600 students to work at various jobs, such as dining workers, desk assistants, night assistants, etc.

To compensate for the increased hours, Housing and Dining will hire more employees to cover the extra shifts. The number of new hires is not yet known because some current student employees work multiple shifts.

Housing and Dining workers are paid minimum wage, which increased to \$8 per hour July 1.

The cost to pay for the extra shifts, as well as other Housing and Diningrelated purchases, comes from room

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Room and board costs are determined by the type of room a student lives in and his meal plan choice. For example, a student living in Lawson Hall in a double as a single with a 7 Plus meal plan pays \$3,584, plus \$800 for the single room.

"The money we get is from those who live with us," Hudson said. "Our interest is really strong in enhancing service."

New options added

Another noticeable change is the food served in Tower Dining, located in Stevenson Hall.

Tower Dining will now have buildyour-own options rotated each week, such as build-your-own nachos and noodle bowls. These options will be rotated to make all the options available to work with students' schedules.

For the second year in a row, nalgene water bottles will be given to students for free the first time they enter the dining halls. The bottles are blue this year, but students can still use the black bottles from last year.

Information about the changes and a list of all dining hours and meals can be found at www.eiu.edu/~dining.

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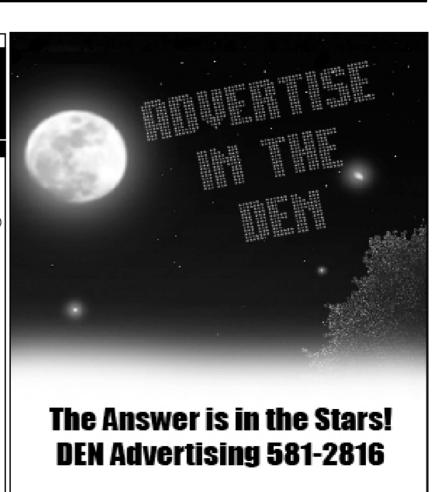
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ESPA (Eastern Student Parent Association) is having a Family Dinner at Pizza Hut 105 W. Lincoln on Tuesday, August 25, 2009 at 5pm. Children 10 years old & under eat FREE. Every parent and older children will have to pay for their own meal. A magician will perform for

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Jake Christensen, the newly named starting quarterback, lines up under center at Saturday evening's intersquad scrimmage at O'Brien Stadium.

to the school as a graduate student and backs have done a good job." granted a waiver by the NCAA for a fifth year of eligibility.

But Panthers offensive coordinator Roy Wittke insists the competition between Christensen and Reeder was legitimate. Reeder started all 12 games for the Panthers a year ago and the final nine games of his sophomore season in 2007. Wittke said the decision was made not because Reeder played poorly, because he didn't. It was just the fact left. There's still work to do but I think that Christensen was flat-out better.

"(Reeder) performed about as well as he has since he's been here and had a very good camp," Wittke said. "He simply got beat out, and he's handled it tremendously."

choice.

"It was what was best for our football team," Spoo said. "I think he's done a good job, but I think all of our quarter-

While the present of the Panthers offense will undoubtedly include Christensen, a learning curve has been evident. Christensen didn't join the team until early August and had to adapt to a whole new system. He said Reeder has helped him learn the offense and he feels he's progressing each day.

"I'm getting there," Christensen said. 'We still have a week of camp mode we have enough time left where we can get it done."

One thing is for sure, Christensen's presence has sparked optimism throughout the Eastern locker room.

"I'm excited to see what Jake Chris-Head coach Bob Spoo said he feels tensen can do with the offense," redconfident the decision was the right shirt senior strong safety Adrian Arrington said.

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MEN'S SOCCER | EASTERN 3, ST. XAVIER (CHICAGO) 2

New faces lead to exhibition victory

Seven new players start at Effingham **High School**

By Dan Cusack

Assistant Sports Editor

Soccer fans who made the trek down I-57 to see the Eastern men's soccer team play St. Xavier (Chicago) at Effingham High School Tuesday saw plenty of new faces.

Eastern started seven new players, but the youngsters did not disappoint as they defeated the Cougars 3-2.

Senior midfielder Jeff Kupiec, junior forward Alex Harrison and freshman midfielder Kendal Spurgin each found the back of the net in the exhibition match that consisted of three 30-minute periods.

Kupiec opened the scoring with a penalty kick in the 20th minute from

the far right side, with Harrison adding another goal 10 minutes later with time winding down in the first period on a free kick to give Eastern the 2-0 lead. St. Xavier battled back, scoring two goals of its own, but Spurgin notched the game winner in the 58th minute with a rising strike from 15 yards out.

Kupiec said because the match was being played at a high school field it was not as big as what they were used to and that the middle was more compact. He said he thought the team performed well for its first match of the

"The intensity and the aggression was there," Kupiec said. "On our field or a different field I think it would have been a different result."

Eastern head coach Adam Howarth said the effort was good with the team and that with all the new Panthers it will take time for the players to get used to playing with each other.

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PANTHER BRIEFS

Volleyball beats alumni

The Eastern volleyball team held off a group of alumni Saturday, winning in four sets in their final tune-up before regular season action begins.

The Panthers won 26-24, 25-16, 21-25 and 25-19 in Lantz Fieldhouse, where the match had to be moved because of renovations to the Lantz Are-

The alumni were made up mostly of members of the 2004 Ohio Valley Conference co-championship squad.

Leading the way for the Panthers were junior outside hitter Alex Zwettler who had 14 kills, and sopohomre middle blocker Melanie Boykins with 13 kills.

-Compiled by Collin Whitchurch.

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and was able to beat (the defender) down the line," she said. "The second goal the pass went past the defender and I was able to hit it in. They were both really good passes."

assisted Streid's first goal, while junior forward Kaitlin Sullivan registered an assist on the second.

Perala praised her team's halftime adjustments, saying they made great strides.

"The first half for us was slow," she said. "We were soft on challenges, not connecting on passes. At halftime, we Freshman midfielder Jessie Morgan laid out our goals again and we were able to find some feet, hit some good combinations and scored two goals off

The Jaguars set program records last season, winning their first Summit League championship with a 13-7 overall record.

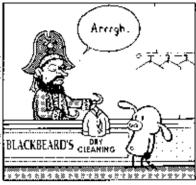
The Panthers next game is August 28, at Eastern Michigan at 3 p.m.

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DEN sports gets more interactive



Collin Whitchurch

It's not uncommon in the world of collegiate journalism to see quite a bit of changes in a student newspaper from year to year. With new students come new editors, and new editors means new ideas.

This is true all over the country and you see it right here in The Daily Eastern News.

As you look through this paper and compare it to last year, you'll see a number of new names, new designs and an overall new look in the coverage and layout of The DEN.

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WOMEN'S SOCCER | EASTERN 2, IUPUI 0



Senior midfielder Alexis Miller tries to get away from a Southeast Missouri defender in a game October 26, 2008, at Lakeside Field. The Panthers got off to a 1-0 start to their 2009 season with a 2-0 victory over Indiana-Purdue-Indianapolis Friday in Indianapolis.

Panthers roll in season opener

Red-shirt freshman Streid scores both goals in victory

By Collin Whitchurch **Sports Editor**

What a difference a year can make.

The Eastern women's soccer the road." team got off to a red-hot start to the 2009 season Friday night, rolling to a 2-0 victory over defending Summit League champion In-

The Panthers got off to a 0-12-1 start with only one goal in their first 13 games a year ago.

"I think it's a good step in the right direction," said junior goalkeeper Kaylin Lorbert, who kept the Jaguars off the scoreboard and registered five saves. "The future for us is bright and it's great to get off to this kind of start, especially on

The teams battled to a scoreless tie at halftime, but in the second half it was all Ashley Streid.

The red-shirt freshman forward diana-Purdue-Indianapolis in Indiconnected on a pair of goals just

Upcoming Schedule

28 - at Eastern Michigan 30 - at Cleveland State

September

4 - vs. Indiana State

6 - vs. Miami (Ohio) 11 - vs. Iowa State

13 - vs. Northern Iowa

18 - at Illinois State

20 - vs. Wisconsin-Green Bay

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four minutes apart. That was all the offense the Panthers would need.

"(Streid) was huge for us," said first-year head coach Summer Perala. "She is one of those players who works hard the entire game and takes what the coaches say to heart. She stretches the defense and has great speed."

Streid's two goals came in her first career game as she was forced to sit out the 2008 season with a knee injury. She credited both of her goals to great passes.

'The first goal, I took the pass

see ROLL, page 7

FOOTBALL

New quarterback sparks optimism

Christensen wins battle with former starter Reeder

By Collin Whitchurch Sports Editor

It didn't matter to Jake Christensen when the Eastern football team's that he had won the starting quarterback position for the upcoming

For Christensen — the highly touted Iowa transfer who beat out senior, and former starter, Bodie Reeder for the job — winning wasn't enough to generate excite-

"I think it's more of being excitcoaching staff announced last week ed to finally move forward and start

preparing for the season more than just being happy to have the job," the fifth-year senior said. "I don't think any of us should be satisfied just to be starters. We want to excel. We want to push this team and

Christensen announced his intentions to transfer following a 2008 season at Iowa that saw him his replacemnt as starter by sophomore Ricki Stanzi. Speculation abound immediately that Eastern would be on his short list of teams to attend, mainly because his father Jeff was a star quarterback for the Panthers in the early 1980s.

In August, it became official that Christensen would attend Eastern as a fifth-year senior. He was admitted

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EASTERN SPORTS SCHEDULES

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