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Team loses despite second half lead

Scherle takes on senate speaker position

By Nike Ogunbodede

Student Government Editor

The Student Senate will reconvene for the spring semester under Jarrod Scherle, a senior finance major and the new student senate speaker.

Scherle has been on the student senate for six semesters making him the second longest member of 2010 student senate.

After last semester's online fall elections the senate has seven open seats due to senators not returning.

As speaker, Scherle is now in charge of appointing new senators until they are elected by the student body and said it will be his first order of business.

Scherle is currently the director of membership and recruitment of Panther Nation.

Panther Nation is currently Eastern's largest group founded in 2009 by Student Body President Michelle Murphy.

Scherle plans to use his contacts and bring more of his recruitment ability from the Panther Nation to the student senate.

"I feel like I have a good grasp on where I can find the leaders on campus. Many of them I'm already friends with," he said. "I'll use my existing networks."

Getting multiple view points will help the senate, Scherle said.

A new viewpoint might be needed according to the former Student Senate Speaker Ja-

"I feel like I have a good grasp on where I can find the leaders on campus. Many of them I'm already friends with."

Jarrod Scherle, senior finance major and the new student senate speaker

son Sandidge, who resigned from his position during the last senate meeting.

Sandidge said he did not see the senate his brother, Isaac, spoke of years before and therefore could not be a part of something he no longer believed in.

"I want you (senators) to think about why the student government has been called into question this year," Sandidge said.

Tyson Holder, a student affairs graduate student, was on student senate for eight semesters also stepped down.

"I remember the same senate that (Isaac) Sandidge spoke of. In the past senators were able to leave the personal stuff out," Scherle said. "There is definitely a different feel in the senate."

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SETH SCHROEDER | DAILY EASTERN NEWS

Mary Lane, a sophomore athletic training major and internal affairs chair of student government, counts time cards Dec. 2, 2010 to ensure that senators complete their weekly office hours.

UNIVERSITY

Two-year contract to be determined

By Shelley Holmgren

Administration Editor

Members of Eastern's chapter of the University Professionals of Illinois will soon vote to ratify the tentative two-year contract agreement reached by the union and the administration's bargaining teams by end of last semester. After months of negotiations, both teams came to an agreement in the late evening of Dec. 13, 2010.

The tentative two-year agreement provides across-the-board salary increases of 1.5 percent the first year and 1.25 percent the second year. More specifics could not be given until the UPI/ EIU members are given the opportunity to review the terms of the tentative agreement at Wednesday's union meeting.

At the general meeting, members of the negotiation team will explain the tentative agreement and respond to questions from chapter members, said John Allison, the UPI/EIU chapter president. Later a ballot will be sent by campus mail to bargaining-unit members.

"It takes a simple majority to approve the agreement," he added.

The UPI is the collective bargaining agent for faculty and academic support professionals at

If ratified, the agreement will go to the Board of Trustees for final approval. However, voting will not be completed in time for Friday's Board of Trustees meeting.

Negotiations began in early June and have been progressively more involved since then. Concerns over furloughs, safety and contractual language weighed down the negotiations and brought them to a standstill. Because of this, both parties agreed to bring in a federal mediator on Oct. 20.

With the end of the semester, the pressure was on to come to an agreement on Dec. 13. After nine hours going back and forth, both parties were finally able to come eye to eye.

Bob Wayland, the chief negotiator for the ad-

ministration, said his team felt "fairly comfortable" going into the session that an agreement could be reached.

'We were so close on so many of the issues," he said. "I would have been surprised if we had walked away without an agreement."

Days after the tentative agreement was reached, Jon Blitz, the UPI/EIU chief negotiator, said he "started feeling physically better."

Wayland shared the same relief.

"It was kind of nice to go into the holidays knowing we've got an agreement," Wayland said. "It takes a lot out of you physically and emotionally everyone was very tense over it.'

Although Blitz is pleased with the tentative agreement, he said the work is not done yet.

Not only do we have to get (the contract) ratified, there are (some provisions) that haven't been put into contract language," he said. "I hope there are not any hiccups.

Both parties had previously agreed that a twoyear contract was the best route due to the state's shaky economic climate.

We both felt that we didn't want to extrapolate that far into the future," Blitz said. "We didn't want to bind ourselves to promises we may not be able to keep."

Wayland said although the road has been a sometimes-rocky one, he believes the tentative agreement will please both parties.

"No one walked away disappointed," he said. "There may be some who feel like the union should have got a little bit more, but for the most part both parties were very satisfied." Blitz agreed.

"I don't think we would have signed off on everything that we weren't satisfied," Blitz said. 'We always have to give something up. That's the nature of the beast we have an agreement that both sides could live with."

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Negotiation time line

Early June Negotiations

begin

Aug. 31 The previous Eastern chapter of the University Professionals of Illinois contract expired Aug. 31.

2010

Oct. 20

Both sides agree to bring in a federal mediator

Nov. 4 Federal mediator first arrives, UPI members hold a rally in front of **Booth Library**

Nov. 19 UPI members speak at Board of Trustees meeting

Nov. 29 Met with federal mediator and came to an agreement over two work-related issues

Dec. 13 Met with federal mediator for third time, UPI and the administration come to a tentative agreement

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Jan. 15

Next general UPI membership meeting

CITY COUNCIL

Restaurant liquor license to tentatively change

By Elizabeth Edwards

The city council voted to allow the County Market grocery store to continue the plans

County Market, which is owned by Niemann Foods, plans to move to a new location north of its current location on 1460 E.

During the meeting on January 4. The council voted to allow Niemann Foods to buy the lot at the northwest corner of Lincoln Avenue and E Street.

"It's a big win for Charleston and will be very well received by the community," said Mayor John Inyart. "I am very excited about

Gerry Kettler, a spokesperson of Niemann Foods, said the new location will be updated to a state-of-the-art grocery store, which will include perishables, meat, and traditional groceries.

Kettler said the old store will stay open until the new store is built.

The construction of the new store will be finished in 2012.

The council also voted to tentatively change the restaurant liquor license policy.

The new ordinance will require restaurants and bars to not shut down their kitchens while liquor is served.

Inyart said the purpose of the new ordinance is to allow patrons to be able to purchase food late at night instead of only liquor.

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what's on tap

MONDAY

8 a.m.- 8p.m. Textbook Rental

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6 p.m. Islam Workshop

What Really is Islam? A three part workshop unveiling the basics on Islamic faith in Blair Hall, Room **TUESDAY**

9:30 a.m.- 3 p.m. Driver's License Illinois Secretary of State Mobile

Services will be in the bridge lounge for services such as driver's license renewal.

5 p.m.- 6p.m. Rubber Lovers

Rubber Lovers open session in the Charleston/Mattoon room in the MLK Jr. Union.

7 p.m.- 9 p.m. Book Signing

Paola Gianturco will lecture on her work and sign copies of her book Women Who Light the Dark in the lecture hall in the Doudna Fine Arts Center.

If you want to add to the tap, please e-mail dennewsdesk@gmail. com or call 581-7942.



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The Step By Step Studio Dance Team from Altamont performs during halftime of the men's basketball game Jan. 3 in Lantz Arena.

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EIU History Lesson

January 10

Eastern English professor David Carpenter made a bid for a seat in the Illinois Legislature.

Brian Nordin, Eastern alum, appeared on the Charleston 1989 mayoral ballot after getting the required number of signatures on his petition.

> Karate school opened on Eastern's campus. The program was developed and taught by the physical education department. There were four black belt instructors.

Darrell Mudra resigned from his position as Eastern football coach. Mudra was referred to as "Dr. Victory."

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Lives devoted to Catholic religion

By Melissa Sturtevant

Staff Reporter

Draped in purple robes—a sign of the time in the liturgical year-Father John Titus stands thoughtfully in front of a full audience at the front of the St. Philip Neri Cha-

He walks slowly up to the altar where the unconsecrated bread and wine await his blessing. The soft swipe of his shoes is heard on the hard floor. The black open-toed sandals paired with his black socks are an obvious fashion faux pas, however, such things are of no importance to him.

Titus lifts up the bowl containing the bread made of flour and water toward the sky. Pointing his gaze in the same direction, he holds it there for several seconds. When it is laid back down on the table, it has become the body of Christ.

This bread, called the Eucharist, is a key part of the Catholic faith.

This is the main part of a Catholic Mass. It comes right after the homily, or message, that Titus gives.

Now a priest at the local Newman Catholic Center, he was born into the Methodist faith and raised in a Presbyterian church; his career goal at one time was to become a Presbyterian minister.

"It was really scary when I real-

ized I was being drawn to the Catholic Church. That meant not having a wife or kids." Father said.

However, in his words, it was a trade off, not a sacrifice that was made when he decided to enter the

"It's one thing to say you're going to do what God wants you to do, but to really do it is different," he said, pushing his glasses to the top of his nose. He explained that his nieces and nephews have always played an important role in his life. To Titus, the people who attend his masses are his children, and the church, his wife.

As of 2001, almost a quarter of the U.S. population was Catholic, according to adherents.com. The church, referred to in the feminine form, she, is a universal one.

Next door to the Newman Center sits the Christian Campus House. Danah Himes, the Associate Campus Minister, said that at this nondenominational church, the members see the bread as a symbol of Christ's body.

"When I receive it, I visualize it being the body and blood, but I don't believe it actually is," she said, trying to settle her 6-month-old squirming baby whom she brings with her to the office many days. "Here, we allow anyone to partake in communion as long as they be-



MELISSA STURTEVANT | THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

Father John Titus is the priest at the Newman Catholic Center in Charleston.

lieve Jesus Christ is who he says he

Himes graduated from Eastern in 1999. While she was in college, Himes said that God transformed her life through campus ministry. She explained that this is a crucial time in a person's life because a person can claim his or her religion as

"I can't imagine doing anything

different," she said.

Titus's hands move toward the cup holding the wine. In the same way as he did the bread, he lifts the cup up toward the heavens, consecrating it. He gingerly sets it back on the table taking great care not to spill a drop of what is now Precious

Stereotypes about all Christian Churches exist, and many of those have to do with the Catholic

The church worships Mary (the mother of Jesus), it praises idols, even the subject of cannibalism has been brought up because of the belief of transubstantiation in the bread and wine.

Titus, however, disputes these things.

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Panthers to donate clothing to homeless

By Nike Ogunbodede

Student Government Editor

With Illinois' cold winters, some Eastern student organizations chose to collaborate and organize a clothing drive that will take place throughout the month of January.

"I think that there is a real need in the Charleston area for warm clothing during the winter season," said Zach Samples, a student senate member. "It's easy for us as college students to forget that there are homeless people in the town that we live in.

The "Panthers Care Winter Clothing Drive" was organized by the Student Senate, the Student Community Service, the Residence Hall Association and the Student Volunteer Center.

There will be donation bins lo-

ter, resident halls, and the Newman Catholic Center. The organizations ask for donations in good condi-

"In high school I organized a similar event, so I went and talked to former (student) senator Victoria Greer, who had done a similar drive at Lakeland, and Kaci Abolt and it went from there," said Samples, a freshman history major.

Samples said he expects to collect more clothes than the three truckloads he collected in high school.

"I'm hoping we can get quite a bit of clothing," Samples said. "When I did this in high school we collected three truckloads of clothes in my town of 800 students and 5,000 residents."

The clothing the community collects will be given to local charities.

"We will be giving them to Cath-

Locations like Catholic charities and PADS are where people in need tend to go the most when they are in need, Samples said.

'So it just makes the most sense to donate them there," Samples

Throughout the month of January, there will be three events associated with the clothing drive. On Jan. 17, there will be an open

community drop off located in the parking lot of Lantz Arena.

"It makes the community more involved and makes it more accessible for others," Samples said.

There will also be an event called, "Close the Court" where community members can bring a winter clothing item to a home basketball game and get in for a lower price. During half time those who brought an item will throw their

"It's our hope that the clothes brought will cover the entire court,' Samples said.

Another event will be the student distribution day, which will take place on Jan. 31. The event will be at the Newman Catholic Center and will allow Eastern students who are in need to be the first to pick up items.

There will however be a limit to how many items a person can take.

"Because we have 12,000 students I have a feeling we will be able to amass a large amount, but if we do deplete our funds by giving it to the students then I would still be happy because we met a need, which was the goal," he said.

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BLOTTER Telephone harassment reported

At 2:36 p.m. on December 16, 2010, a private property accident involving a green Mercury and a red Dodge occurred in a parking lot on the south side of campus. No citations were is-

At 9:31 a.m. on December 15, 2010, a Telephone Harassment report was taken at University Apartments. This incident is under investigation.

At 11:37 p.m. on December 31, 2010, Mathew McCullough, 25, 808 Daralea Dr., Marshall, was arrested at the 900 block of Edgar Drive. He was charged with DUI-Alcohol and Blood Alcohol Content greater than .08 and released at 1:33 a.m. after posting 10 percent of a \$100 bond.

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STAFF EDITORIAL

Start fresh, begin the **New Year** with a plan

Winter; traditionally a dark, drab and dead season will heed new life on campus today when students and professors return to the classroom for another semester. Some may be finishing their last semester at Eastern, while others may just be starting.

The start of a new semester means new

No matter what semester a student is starting, they have the chance to start over again. The semester brings new classes, new professors, new classmates and room for selfimprovement.

Last semester may not have been the best, but that is one of the good things about being in school; students get to hit the redo button every four months.

This semester is also a chance to restart those New Year's resolutions made 10 days ago at the stroke of midnight.

Starting off the semester right could bring students success in the following months before the close of the semester and graduation. For those with the ever-popular resolutions like improving their GPA or eating healthier, this semester is a chance to do so.

Grades start over again for the spring 2011 semester and by not letting the depression of the small amount of daylight during the winter months interfere with study habits, or sleep habits, this semester could bring some students the grades they desire. This semester is another chance for students to improve grades and continue learning more about their chosen field of study.

By choosing a resolution, students should try to follow through with it in order to improve themselves and learn how to set plans and stick to them. As the semester begins, students should also try something new, go outside of their comfort zone and make their

Even though some students may still be in winter break mode as they fall asleep in their 8 a.m. classes today and think longingly about those pajama-clad lazy days of winter break, the edit board believes students should hit the ground running this semester. Start off strong by pushing to do their best and keep resolutions made for the New Year. It is not too late to make a change for the better.

So this semester resolve.

Resolve to start the semester off on the right foot. Resolve to actually step foot in the library. Resolve to crack a book more than once in awhile. Resolve to remember your Saturday nights. Resolve to call family members, if only just to prove you are alive.

Most importantly, just resolve to something and stick to it because now, perhaps more than any other time in an individual's life, is a time for change.

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COLUMN Tell us the truth and don't be afraid

"Tell the truth and don't be afraid."

These simple words run across page 1 of the Daily Eastern News every day. I only recently found out that Livingston C. Lord, the first president of Eastern, said them.

Whoever adopted this as our motto understood the importance of those words and what they mean for journalists.

Now is a time when those words mean more than they ever did. Now the lines between journalism and the media, and a reporter and paparazzi, have blurred to be almost indistinguishable. Now is a time when the future of the entire industry is shaky at best.

I recently read a Huffington Post article titled You're Out: 20 Things that Became Obsolete this Decade" which, among VCRs, bookstores and landline phones, listed newspaper classifieds as no longer necessary. This is a problem because newspapers, including The Daily Eastern News make most of their profits from advertising, specifically classifieds.

For years now people have been foretelling the extinction of reporters and newspapers.

Still, every day dozens of people work on this newspaper writing articles, taking photos, creating videos and designing pages. Your peers, your students, people you see walking across



Emily Steele

campus, dedicate themselves to what some would call a dying industry.

But I disagree with those critics who doom newspapers and journalism. As long as people have a passion for the news and there are people who want information, the news industry will

Watergate is the shining beacon of investigative journalism that most people look to when they think of the power of the gatekeepers and the unofficial fourth branch of our government.

So where would we be if 10, 25 years in the future no one was there to hold our government accountable? Will we have to rely entirely on citizen journalists and inexperienced bloggers to make sure that our taxes are being used appropriately and the laws represent the needs of the people?

Most people who go into journalism do it because they want to serve the public. Not to get their name in print, not to make money, not to become famous. Journalists want to help

Right now the biggest threat to journalism is not the internet or even the cost. Our biggest problem is forgetting that we work for the people and it is our job to tell them in whatever format may come, what is the news.

I stand by Lord's words and our dedication to tell the truth, knowing that even so we will make mistakes, after all we are human, and that they are part of the job. But it is also our job to correct those mistakes and to be accurate and truthful in every story, every photo and every video.

With this in mind I encourage everyone at Eastern to join the conversation, to be part of the community. Please send us a letter, comment online at dennews.com or just come into our office in 1811 Buzzard Hall and talk sometime. We welcome all comments, critiques and corrections in our never-ending quest to tell the truth and not be afraid.

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FROM THE EASEL



SHELLEY HOLMGREN | THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

The final test: grad school applications

Applying to grad schools has been a journey for me.

First off, there is the Graduate Record Exam. which I took in October. This is one of the hardest tests I have ever taken. I do not usually have to study for tests. I didn't study for the ACT and did well so I thought it would be the same for the GRE.

I felt like I basically needed to know every word in the dictionary, and the math was stuff I hadn't done since high school.

Along with the GRE, there are all of the applications and things that go along with the ap-

All of the schools I applied to had me submit everything online, which was nice because I did not have to deal with mailing anything.

The application wasn't bad, except for the application fee.

I understand universities need money, but I think it's a tad bit ridiculous to pay \$60 to simply apply to a program.

Then it came time to send in transcripts.



Audrey Sawyer

For some reason some schools want three transcripts from each prior institution. That means I had to send them a total of six transcripts because I took classes at a community college.

Why do they need so many transcripts? It makes no sense to me and it's just more money that I had to spend.

After paying all the fees and submitting everything I thought that I had everything done and that now it was time to play the waiting game.

I thought wrong.

At one school, I applied for a program that is no longer offered. Apparently the school did not update its website or the application for the

So I've been playing phone and e-mail tag with multiple people from different departments trying to figure out what to do.

I don't think anyone really knows. However, I did find out that now there is a fee for me to change programs.

I feel I should not have to pay because it's not my fault the university did not update its

Plus, apparently I will not get a letter in the mail. Instead I'll get an e-mail. So there will be no waving a letter in the air saying 'hey mom I got in!' This disappoints me.

So at this point I'm wondering why I decided to go to graduate school because all it has done so far is stress me out and cost me a lot of

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NATION

'Get down! Get down!' as gunfire erupts

By Associated Press

TUCSON, Ariz— She arrived right on time — smiling, as Gabrielle "Gabby" Giffords so often did, as she made her way through the small crowd that had assembled for her first "Congress on Your Corner" gathering of the new year.

The meetings had become one of her hallmarks as a congresswoman, a way to get face-to-face with the people she served and hear them out, from those who cheered her close re-election to those who opposed her positions on health care or immigration.

Her Twitter account extended an invitation to one and all for the event at La Toscana Village, a suburban shopping center dotted with a nail salon, bakery and a Jenny Craig on the northern outskirts of Tucson: "Please stop by to let me know what is on your mind ..."

Some two dozen people did stop in, collecting out front of a Safe-way store. At 10 a.m. sharp, standing near a banner adorned with her name and the U.S. House of Representatives seal, Giffords began to greet the crowd. Among them were old friends, such as John Roll, a federal judge who put off household chores to go say hello after Mass.

There was also at least one new admirer, a third-grader with ebo-

ny hair and a big smile of her own who'd been elected to her school's student council.

A neighbor brought little Christina Taylor Green along, believing she'd enjoy meeting a real politician

Off to the side, volunteer Alex Villec helped keep things running smoothly.

"There's a line forming to your right," he told those who asked. "Give her 25-30 minutes. She'll be happy to talk to you."

When the man in the black ski hat, baggy pants and bulky jacket approached, Villec recalled thinking he looked somewhat shady, and yet his question was hardly unusual for this type of function: Where was the congresswoman?

Villec directed the man to the back of the line, and he walked away, appearing almost uninterested

Giffords had already finished talking with her first visitor and was on to the next two, a couple. Mark Kimble, an ex-newspaperman who works as a communications specialist for Giffords, was answering a question about Medicare reimbursement.

In the slow-motion blur that takes over the mind in times of trauma and tragedy, Villec saw the man in the black hat return.

RELIGION, from page 3

"On a very human level, [the stereotypes] make me angry. It makes me want to respond. But after a few seconds of reflection, I realize I've heard it all before. It's more like, 'Here we go again."

Stereotypes were broken on Nov. 15, when women who had taken vows to become nuns were invited to the Newman Center to share their stories. Women from the Sisters of St. Francis of the Martyr St. George in Alton, and one from Springfield, talked to college students about their own journeys of faith. Wearing the traditional habits, they enthusiastically shared their stories with college-age women around a throbbing fireplace. For 53 minutes Eastern female students sat and listened intently to these women.

Sister Mary George dreamed of going to college and meeting the man of her dreams. However, after feeling a tugging at her heart, she joined the sisters right after high school. She is now a music teacher for the seminary.

Sister Mariela, 23-year-old, decided she wanted to give herself fully to the Lord. After a visit to where the sisters lived, she saw how at peace they were. She also witnessed them, surprisingly, in a rousing game of soccer. It was after this visit that she felt something telling her to give herself fully to Him. She made her vows earlier this year.

Sister Teresa, from Rantoul, was a coach with the Springfield Dominicans at the Catholic high school. After she and Steve, the man who she thought she was going to marry, had been dating for two-and-a-half years, she felt the Lord talking to her. After thinking it over and talking to Steve for quite some time, she had to say goodbye to him and she joined the sisters.

Titus places a small square of the Body of Christ in his mouth with his eyes closed in reflection. Immediately after, he takes a sip from the chalice. With a white cloth he wipes the rim of the cup so as not to leave any remnant of the blood behind.

"I'm probably not normal by society's standards. People may assume I'm crazy because I've devoted my entire life (to God)," Father John Titus later said. "I see myself as a parent to those who come to church. I have come to love them all. I try to meet them where they're at and bring them to the next good step."

Titus explained that all he can do to try to lead people toward the faith that he loves so much is to share his own enthusiasm and his love of faith, the sacraments and the word.

"I share what's real. Even if people don't agree with me, they will see a witness," he said. "You can be sincerely wrong, but you have to be sincere, first."

Himes said that to her, one of the most important parts of the church is the gospel.

"God is holy, loving and just, but people are not perfect. So God has done what he can to bridge that gap for us," she said, coaxing a pacifier into her son's mouth. "He has taken the initiative to pursue a right relationship with every person."

She explained that she has many different types of relationships with God. As a fairly new parent, she reflects on God's love for her as His child. As a married woman, she sees God as the lover of her soul.

"He loves us through different angles," she explained.

Titus pours the blood into four different cups and hands them over to the volunteers who have lined up behind him waiting to help give communion to those sitting in the pews. Bowls with the body are given out to the other half of the volunteers.

As they were trained, they exchange turns offering and consuming the body and blood before taking their places at the front of the aisles and offering it to the rest of the congrega-

Most Protestants and Catholics believe in the same God (this one God has three different manifestations: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit). However, Father John explained that there are key differences in how Protestant leaders of churches and priests do their jobs.

"A priest has to consecrate the body and blood of Christ. He has to absolve people of their sins," he said. "Other churches have clear stances, but it's not as defined (as the Catholic Church). I think that's because everyone has heard of the Catholic Church."

Titus lifts up pieces of the bread and offers the body to those who come forward. He blesses those who aren't able to take communion by simply saying, "God bless you." and offering a comforting smile.

As the lines dwindle, the pews fill again, and Titus pours the wine from all four cups into one wiping the empty ones with the white cloth to make sure none of the precious liquid is wasted.

He drinks the last remains in the final cup and wipes it, as well. The consecrated bread is stored in the tabernacle for later use during communion and for followers to pray in front of the presence of Christ.

As he invites people to stand for the final prayer before the closing of mass, his green robes flow with his arms as they fly upward as a cue for the congregation to rise.

He places his right hand on his forehead, his chest and then his left and right shoulders, in that order, to signify the end of the prayer.

"In the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit. Amen."

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SCHERLE, from page 1

Scherle along with Murphy and student senate member John Poshepny, a junior finance major, will be trying to implement a senator grading system in an attempt to hold those voted into power accountable.

"We will have an anonymous survey where every senator will review

the executives, the speaker, and the committee chairs on whether or not they are living up to their expectations," Scherle said.

Much like the actual senate, the student senate has been divided.

But, with spring elections Scherle said it could change with the appoint-

ing of new senators.

"It's going to set the tone for if we are going to keep the same old same old or if we are going to turn ourselves around," Scherle said. "Just because someone doesn't agree with you on a political basis doesn't mean we can't be civil to one another."

Student senators must maintain at least a 2.3 GPA, work at least two office hours a week, and be considered a full time student.

"We are looking for really good student leaders to represent the student body," Scherle said.

Student senate applications are

currently available in the Student Activities Center of the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union and are due on Jan. 19.

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COUNTY, from page 1

The ordinance will not affect the 51 percent food and the 49 percent liquor requirement.

Inyart does not want the ordinance to affect banquets facilities such as wedding banquets.

Inyart said purpose of the new ordinance is not to affect these banquet facilities and he wants provision to the ordinance that will exclude these facilities.

The city attorney, Brian Bow-

er, will draft a revision to the ordinance, which will be voted on at the next council meeting.

A total of 14 businesses will be affected by the new ordinance.

The council also voted to expand

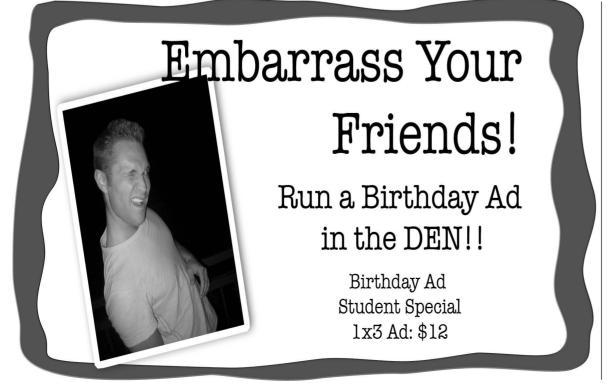
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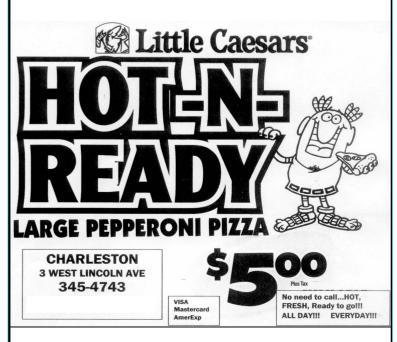
Inyart said the council will expand the life of its TIF for an additional 12 years.

The TIF has existed for 23 years

and allowed the council to repair buildings in the downtown.

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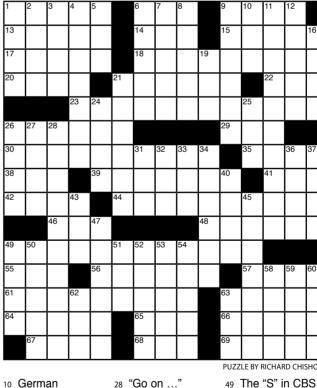
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SWIMMING

Top competition good for Panthers

SPORTS

Meets prepare swimmers for Summit Championships

By Brad Kupiec

Staff Reporter

Last week while most Eastern students were enjoying their last week of winter break, the Panther swimmers were hard at work in Auburn, Ala., taking on the Auburn Tigers in a modified

Head Panther swimming coach Matt Bos said that the team has been working hard over the academic break and had some good swims in Au-

'We had 12 solid workouts in six days, as did Auburn," said Bos. "They were all pretty tired, but there still were some very impressive swims."

Coach Bos also said that it was beneficial for the Panther swimmers to experience such high level competition in South East Conference powerhouse Auburn.

"Seeing some real top level talent was nice for our athletes," said Bos. "Auburn is one of the top programs in the country, having won 11 national championships in the past 10 years between their men's and women's programs."

The Panthers are continuing to work toward their ultimate goal of winning the Summit League Championship Meet next month in Indianapolis, Ind.

"We are coming off our best training of the season and feel we are in a position to post our best performances of the season over the next few weeks," Bos said. "We are coming down the home stretch and will be starting to back off on our training in preparation for the Summit League Championships Feb. 16-19."

While they had some success at Auburn, Bos said that the team has lost some of their best swimmers due to health issues, but he is still optimistic that the team will keep improving as they move toward the Summit League Championships next month.

"Unfortunately, we have lost some of our top athletes to injury and illness which could affect our overall team goals," said Bos. "But nonetheless we are in a great position to post some really fast times individually the remainder of the season."

The Panthers also just finished up a meet in Tunica, Miss. on Saturday, and their next meet will be against in-state rival Western Illinois on Jan. 15.

After the meet in Macomb, the Panthers will head to Indianapolis for the Indiana University/Purdue University Indianapolis Jaguar relay meet on Jan. 17, before hosting IUPUI on Jan. 28 and Saint Louis on Feb. 5.

After those meets, the Panthers will have two weeks to prepare for their final meet of the season, the four-day Summit League Championships on Feb. 16-19 in Indianapolis.

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Mary Lacine, a freshman individual medley swimmer, swims the backstroke Oct. 24 2010 at Padovan Pool during their meet against Ball State.

NIXON, from page 8

Mitchell led the team in steals, with five. Mitchell also had seven rebounds. Sallee said junior forward Hillary Held played well off the bench despite only playing for eight minutes.

The Panthers were 3-2 over winter break, and will be playing at home Thursday against Eastern Kentucky at 5:30 p.m. in Lantz Arena.

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LOSS, from page 8

The Panthers' three losses came against Tennessee Tech, Western Michigan and SEMO. They are currently ranked seventh in the OVC standings. Austin Peay is in possession of first place with a 5-0 start to the OVC season.

Senior guard Tyler Laser sat out his fifth consecutive game due to injury.

The Panthers return to action Jan. 13 against Eastern Kentucky for its sixth OVC game of the year. Tipoff is scheduled for 7:30 in Lantz Arena.

STATE

Blackhawks use big 2nd period to beat Islanders

By The Associated Press

CHICAGO — For the past couple of days, Blackhawks coach Joel Quenneville has emphasized the need for a quicker pace early in games, hoping it would carry over for the rest of the night.

He got exactly what he was looking for on Sunday.

Marian Hossa and Patrick Kane scored in Chicago's four-goal second period, leading the Blackhawks to a 5-0 victory over the road-weary New York Islanders.

'We haven't played this type of game for a long time," Hossa said. "We don't have to worry about the score. We were dominating right from the beginning and I think we can build on this win.

Hossa also had two assists and Patrick Sharp, Niklas Hjalmarsson and Kane each finished with a goal and an assist as Chicago had its biggest offensive output since a 7-5 loss at Colorado on Dec. 13. Corey Crawford made 29 saves in his first shutout since March 5, 2008, against Anaheim.

"The start there, that set us up for the whole night," Quenneville said.

The Blackhawks snapped a six-game losing streak against New York with their first victory over the Islanders since a 3-2 road win on

New York completed its longest trip of the season — an 11-day itinerary that also included stops in Detroit, Calgary, Edmonton and Colorado — with a 3-2-0 record. The Islanders were coming off a difficult 4-3 overtime victory over the Avalanche and looked tired in their last game before returning

We talked about trying to get the crowd out of game," interim coach Jack Capuano said. "Play a simple road game, eliminate our turnovers, get pucks deep, establish our forecheck. We did none of that."

Chicago honored its 1961 Stanley Cup championship team before the game, with team ambassadors Bobby Hull and Stan Mikita receiving two of the loudest ovations from the sellout crowd. That was the franchise's last title before the Blackhawks beat Philadelphia in six games to win the Cup last year.

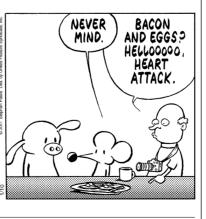
"That was great, you know, see the guys in the uniforms with the big smiles coming off the ice," Hossa said.

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VIEWS



Alex McNamee

Nixon makes team better

When you talk about athletes who make everybody around them better, look better and play harder, you talk about people like Peyton Manning in the NFL, or Kobe Bryant in the

But when you shrink the scale level of the leagues you're looking at, you find the Ohio Valley Conference, for example. Enter Eastern sophomore guard Ta'Kenya Nixon.

I had to write this column because it was on the budget. But when I started writing, I wanted to write something about Ta'Kenya, a great person and a great player.

She had a double-double Saturday. That's not something you just brush off your shoulder like Jay-Z. It's not dirt.

For as long as I can remember, Eastern head coach Brady Sallee has said Nixon is one of those special players that can make everyone around her look good – including the coach.

So even though Sallee is already wearing a suit every game, Nixon goes out on the hardwood and makes him look better.

Time and time again, Nixon has done just enough to push the Panthers over the hump for

She's been doing that since she got on the campus last fall.

In her first game last year, against Ohio State, Sallee said that Nixon looked liked she should be playing with the Big Ten kids at Ohio State.

From then on, she's been a star.

This season, Nixon is averaging 15 points per game, six rebounds and five and a half assists.

She's nearly leading the team in all of those categories. To be exact, Nixon averages 6.2 rebounds per game. Junior forward Chantelle Pressley averages 6.3 rebounds per game.

Is that close enough to call?

Nixon is a safety blanket when the team needs her. You can always count on her. Nobody will tell you differently.

I was set back earlier this season when I sat down with Sallee and he told me that one of the areas Nixon improved was between her ears. What he meant by this was that she knows the offense better now than she did during her freshman season.

He said that last season, at times, Nixon was doing things on her own, conceivably "winging it." This year, she has more knowledge, so she's not winging it.

However, when she dishes a sweet behindthe-back pass to sophomore guard Kelsey Wyss for an easy lay-up, some might call that "wing-

Others, that's just being creative.

So when you talk about athletes like Nixon, Manning and Bryant, you're talking about players that make everyone look good.

While Eastern is 8-7 right now, you can rest easy because with Nixon, Sallee and Co. the Panthers are going to have a shot to win every night.

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MEN'S BASKETBALL

Team loses despite second half lead

Panthers win two of five over holiday break

Staff Report

Eastern Men's Basketball team blew a 17-point lead against Southeast Missouri State dropping its record to 6-9 overall and 2-3 in the Ohio Valley

The win improves Southeast Missouri's record to 5-11 overall and 4-2 in the OVC.

The Panthers led 44-29 at halftime, while shooting 49 percent from the field. During the first half, Eastern made 4-9 three-point shots and 11 different players scored.

The second half was another story; Eastern extended its lead to 17 with 16:47 remaining. From that point on, SEMO controlled the pace of the

The Redhawks were able to tie the game at 63-63 with 6:45 left to play. In the second half the Redhawks shot 57 percent from the field including 3-5 from beyond the three-point line, as they outscored the Panthers 49-31.

Eastern was able to trim the Southeast Missouri State lead to 2 points when junior guard Jeremy Granger knocked down two free-throws with five seconds left to play.

The Panthers quickly fouled Lucus Nutt who was unable to clinch the game by making one of two free throws. Granger got the last shot of the game; however, his game-winning three-point shot fell just short as they lost 78-75.

All five Redhawk starters scored double digits. Forward Leon Powell made all seven shots from the field, while leading the Redhawks with 17 points. Forward Cameron Butler posted a doubledouble with 10 points and 10 rebounds.

The Panthers were lead by Granger who had 17 points and three rebounds while playing 38 minutes. Sophomore forward Sean Pratl scored nine points in the first half, but was not as effective in the second half as he finished with 15 points and six rebounds.

Over the holiday break the Panthers went 2-3. Highlighting the two wins was a 80- 47 victory over Anderson University. Eastern was also able to knock off OVC rival Jacksonville State 61-54.

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Zavier Sanders, a junior forward, goes up against Anderson University Jan. 3, 2011 in Lantz Arena. The Panthers are now 6-9 after a 75-78 loss to Southeast Missouri Saturday.

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

Nixon leads team to victory against Southeast Missouri

Sophomore notches double figure points, rebounds

By Alex McNamee

Staff Reporter

The Eastern women's basketball team answered a 7-0 run by Southeast Missouri to begin the game by scoring 18 consecutive points on its way to beating the Redhawks, 68-43.

Out of those 18 points, sophomore guard Ta'Kenya Nixon scored the first seven on her way to 13 total points in the game.

Eastern head coach Brady Sallee said Nixon played well in a number of different areas. The best area Nixon played, Sallee said, might have been setting up her teammates.

"She helped get Mariah (King) going," Sallee said.

Nixon got King going, as King scored 17 points in the game to lead all scorers. Sophomore forward Sydney Mitchell also notched double figures for the Panthers, scoring 13

"I thought Sydney played really, really hard," Sallee said.

The leading scorer off of the bench was freshman guard Jordyne Crunk, who scored nine points. Sallee said Crunk provided good energy coming off of the bench.

"The game was won on defense," Sallee said. The Panthers held the Redhawks to 30 percent shooting from the field. In the second half alone, the Redhawks struggled, shooting 28 percent.

"I think the kids did a good job of sticking to the game plan," Sallee said.

The Panthers won the battle in turnovers and rebounds. The Panthers turned the ball over only 17 times, while forcing 22 on the Redhawks. The 22 turnovers led to 16 points off of turnovers for the Panthers.

Although the Panthers were winning the battles, Sallee said the game was not an easy

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"It wasn't as easy (of a win) as we would've liked it."

Brady Sallee, women's basketball head coach

Sallee said.

In the second half, the Panthers outscored the Redhawks, 41-24. The lead only changed hands once, when Eastern took the lead in the first half after a 7-0 run by the Redhawks.

The two other Panther starters, sophomore guard Kelsey Wyss and junior forward Chantelle Pressley, were not able to reach double figures. Wyss notched five points, while Pressley notched four.

Along with 13 points, Nixon handled 12 rebounds to notch a double-double. Nixon also added six assists.

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Women's basketball

Thursday vs. Eastern Kentucky 5:30 p.m. - Lantz Arena

Men's Basketball Thursdy vs. Eastern Kentucky 7:30 p.m. -- Lantz Arena

M&W Swimming

Saturday vs. Western Illinois 1 p.m. -- Western Illinois

Women's, Men's Basketball Saturday vs. Morehead State

M&W Track Saturday at Wisconsin Invite

7 p.m. on ESPNU

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NATIONAL SPORTS

Baltimore at Pittsburgh 3:30 p.m. on CBS

New York at New England 3:30 p.m. on CBS

NBA Detroit at Chicago 7 p.m. on Comcast Sports Chicago

NHL Boston at Pittsburgh 6 p.m. on Versus

College Basketball Bethune-Cookman at North Carolina A&T