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The Eastern women's basketball team takes on Illinois State tonight at Redbird Arena in Normal.

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Alyssa Hilbert, a 19-year-old Lake Land student, is directing her first show for the Charleston Alley Theatre.

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Eastern goes red for AIDS awareness

By Kennedy Nolen
Staff Reporter | @KennedyNolenEIU

Eastern's Health Education Resource Center and the Social Justice, Diversity and Civic Engagement committee are teaming up with the Greater Community AIDS Project of East Central Illinois to raise awareness and educate students on AIDS and HIV.

Lucas Johnson, a senior political science major and member of the SJDCE, had the idea to spread awareness on campus about World AIDS Day.

Johnson previously hosted an event on this day in Ford, McKinney and Weller Halls.

Johnson had a connection with the GCAP and was able to have the organization director come speak for World AIDS Day.

The HERC will be hosting a trivia wheel from 12:30 to 2 p.m. in the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union on the third floor.

This will help educate students on AIDS and help "crush the myths" about it, Lauren Bergholz, the complex director of Andrews and Thomas Halls and member of the SJDCE said.

The director of the GCAP Mike Benner will speak at 1 p.m. today in the Martinsville room of the Union.

He said he will speak to students about HIV prevention methods, HIV and AIDS in Central Illinois, and about the GCAP organization itself.

The GCAP of East Central Illinois is a non-profit organization based in Champaign.

The group provides transitional housing to those with HIV or AIDS, help with education on the diseases and also offers assistance with rent and utilities.

The organization was started by gay men in the Champaign-Urbana area and was first referred to as the Gay Community AIDS Project in 1985.

In 1996, the name was changed to the Greater Community AIDS Project, since AIDS is not restricted to the gay community, Benner said.

Benner has been to Eastern to speak a few times in the past about HIV and AIDS.

In the past for World AIDS Day, the GCAP also has put on candlelight vigils, presentations and productions depending on the year.

The Coles County Health Department and the Champaign-Urbana Public Health District will be providing free, confidential HIV testing from 1 to 4 p.m. in the Paris room of the Union for all Eastern students interested.

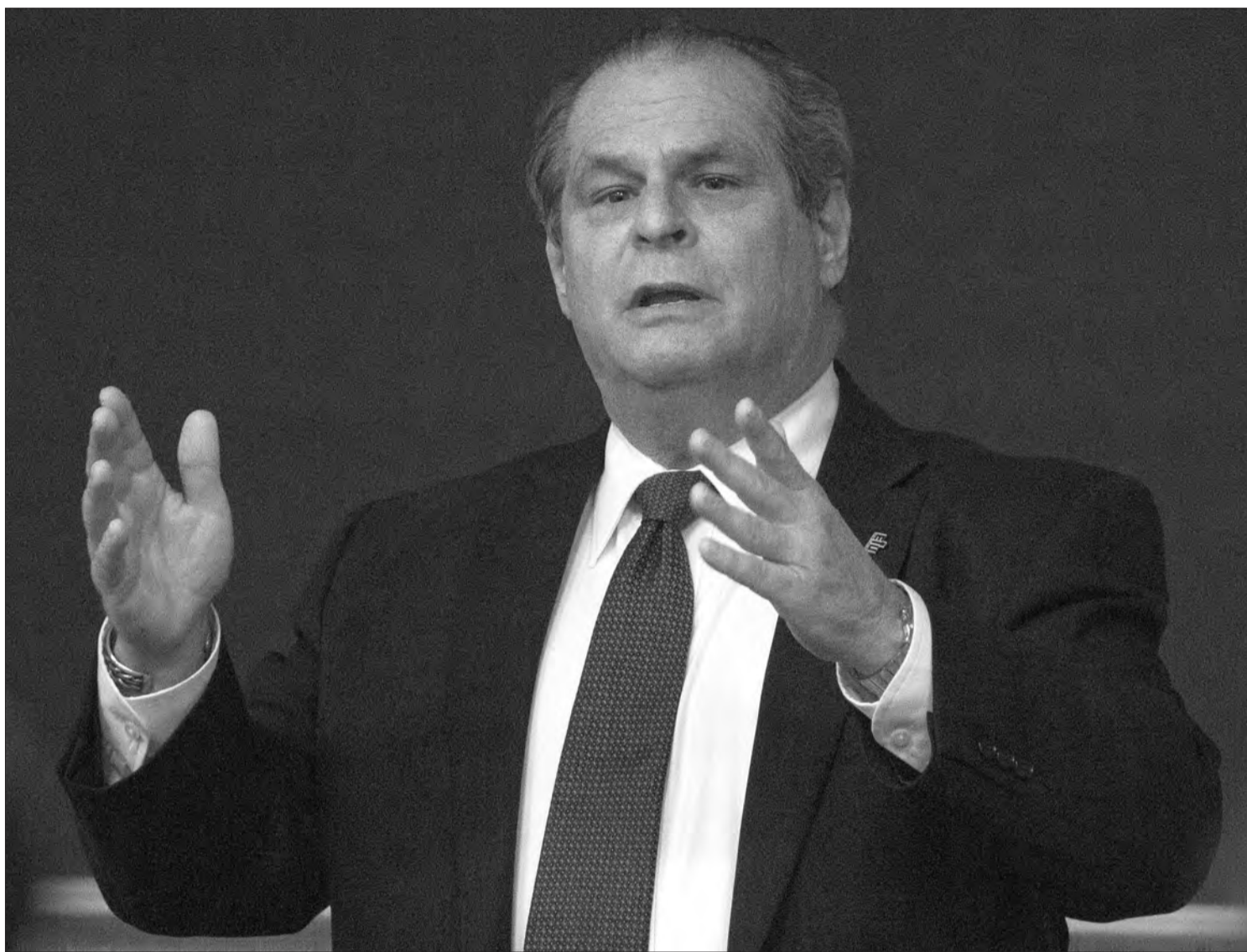
A candlelight vigil will be at 5 p.m. in front of Old Main. Bergholz said the castle will be cast with red lights and the vigil will be a place to show hope for people with AIDS and HIV.

"We want to support students who have it and to educate students," she said. "We don't want to be afraid of it."

Bergholz said there will be a lot of free food, which will be all red, and ribbons will be given to students to wear around campus.

Donations can also be made at the vigil and at the events in the Union.

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Eastern President David Glassman explains his role in the implementation of changes following the final workgroup recommendations, which will be submitted Thursday Dec. 15, during the all Task Force meeting Wednesday in Coleman Auditorium.

Final project recommendations due Dec. 15, to be posted in January

Workgroups No. 8, 9 will continue working into spring semester

By Cassie Buchman
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Final recommendations from vitalization project Workgroups No. 1 through 7 will be posted on the project's webpage at the onset of the spring semester in January, Eastern President David Glassman announced at a meeting for the entire Task Force.

"As soon as everybody comes back for spring they will be up there," he said.

The spring term opens Wednesday, Jan. 4, 2017, and the first day of classes will be Monday, Jan. 9, 2017.

All recommendations will be posted as they come in, Glassman said.

However, any recommendations by a workgroup considered, by the president or Task Force Chair Ryan Hendrickson, to be "egregious or harmful to the university" will be retracted from the recommendation list before it is posted.

"If there's something that's never going to happen and it's not anything that I believe would be in the best interest of the university to put in our website as far as recommendations, the two of us will retract that," he said.

While Glassman said he does not anticipate this being the case, he decided to state it as a safety clause.

The recommendations posted will have the



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Amy Rosenstein, a member of Workgroup No. 8, asks about specifics regarding finalized workgroup recommendations during the all Task Force meeting Wednesday in Coleman Auditorium.

name of the workgroup along with what the group is recommending.

The names of the people who made the recommendations or voted for or against them will not be included.

A prioritized list of final recommendations from Workgroups No. 1 through 7 are due Thursday, Dec. 15. Their preliminary recom-

mendations were due Tuesday, Nov. 1.

When these groups submit their final recommendations, their official charge will be over. Workgroups No. 8 and 9 will keep working into the spring semester, and can ask for feedback from Workgroups No. 1 through 7.

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Stein requests recount in Michigan

LANSING, Mich. (AP) — Green Party presidential nominee Jill Stein on Wednesday requested a full hand recount of Michigan's presidential vote, making it the third state narrowly won by Republican Donald Trump where she wants another look at the results.

Stein previously asked for recounts of the votes in Pennsylvania and Wisconsin.

President-elect Trump defeated Democrat Hillary Clinton by about 10,700 votes out of nearly 4.8 million ballots cast in Michigan, or two-tenths of a percentage point. But Stein alleges that irregularities and the possibility that vote scanning devices could have been hacked call the results into question. Election officials in all three states have expressed confidence in the results.

Michigan's recount could start as

early as Friday, though a challenge to the recount by Trump may delay it.

"We simply won't know if there was hacking or interference in this election unless we look at the votes — every vote systematically, impartially and by hand," Jessica Clarke, a lawyer for the Stein campaign, said during a news conference outside of the Michigan Bureau of Elections.

University of Michigan computer scientist Alex Halderman, who says voting machines and optical scanners that count ballots are prone to errors and outside manipulation, told reporters that the recount will show "for sure" whether cyberattacks have occurred.

"More importantly, (the recount) will provide a defense in the future and a deterrent to any adversary who might want to try to hack future elections."

Trump's victory is highly unlikely to be reversed in any of the states.

The GOP says a Michigan recount would cost taxpayers far more than the \$973,000 Stein paid when filing her recount petition.

Secretary of State Ruth Johnson, a Republican, called Stein's request "unusual," especially since there is no evidence of fraud or "even a credible allegation of any tampering."

"Nevertheless, county clerks have been gearing up to complete this recount under a very challenging (Dec. 13) deadline," she said. "They'll be working nights and weekends. I know they will do a great job because we have some of the best clerks in the country here in Michigan."

Meanwhile in Wisconsin, where Trump defeated Clinton by roughly 22,000 votes, Stein's campaign

said it will not appeal a judge's ruling that Wisconsin's recount can be done without counting every ballot by hand. Most counties plan to do hand recounts anyway. That recount is due to start Thursday.

The Wisconsin Republican Party filed a complaint with the Federal Elections Commission on Wednesday alleging that Stein's recount effort amounts to illegal coordination with Clinton designed to circumvent the law and public scrutiny.

Stein's campaign manager, David Cobb, said in a statement that Stein isn't coordinating with anyone and he dismissed the complaint as a "PR stunt to push a false narrative that will ultimately have no impact on the recount in Wisconsin."

Trump defeated Clinton in Pennsylvania by about 71,000 votes, or about 1 percentage point.

STATE AND NATION BRIEFS

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More Illinois residents sign up for 'Obamacare' plans

CHICAGO (AP) — Officials say more than 68,000 Illinoisans have selected health plans using the Affordable Care Act's insurance marketplace, up nearly 1,400 compared to the same time last year.

The sign-ups are happening as President-elect Donald Trump and Republican leaders in Congress discuss repealing the law known as "Obamacare." It is unclear what might replace the law if they do repeal it.

Meanwhile, open enrollment for HealthCare.gov began Nov. 1 and continues through Jan. 31. People must enroll by Dec. 15 if they want their coverage to start Jan. 1.

The marketplace policies are the only way some people who aren't insured through their jobs can get government tax credits to help bring down the cost.

Officials say many Illinois enrollees can find plans with a monthly premium of less than \$75.

Lawmakers ask Illinois governor to resume contract talks

SPRINGFIELD, Ill. (AP) — Nearly three dozen Illinois legislators of both political stripes are asking Gov. Bruce Rauner to resume contract negotiations with the state's largest public-employee

union.

The lawmakers said Wednesday the issue is crucial to the struggling state.

Decatur Democratic Rep. Sue Scherer says "nothing happens if you're not at the table."

Republican Rauner ended talks last winter with the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees state council. A state labor board sided with Rauner this month that talks were at "impasse." That means the governor can impose his terms.

He did that a second time Wednesday in announcing an employee drug and alcohol testing plan.

AFSCME says in a statement it will talk. Rauner spokeswoman Catherine Kelly says the two sides should cooperate on implementing the governor's provisions.

Illinois House OKs symbolic measure opposing tax increase

SPRINGFIELD, Ill. (AP) — The Illinois house has approved a symbolic measure expressing opposition to passing an income-tax increase during a lame-duck session when fewer votes are required and outgoing legislators don't have to worry about re-election.

Legislators approved a resolution on the matter on a vote of 87 to 12 Wednesday. Resolutions are not binding, but the vote puts lawmakers on record.

Lame-duck sessions occur for about a week in January when incumbents are still in office and before new lawmakers are sworn in. Only a simple majority is needed to pass legislation then.

Republican Rep. David McSweeney, the resolution's sponsor, opposes a tax increase and says his measure makes lawmakers accountable to voters. Democratic Rep. Jack Franks, who also backed the resolution, says retired or defeated lawmakers shouldn't "slam through" a tax hike.

U. of Illinois to study 'sanctuary' status for immigrants

URBANA, Ill. (AP) — A University of Illinois working group will study legal ramifications of making the campus a sanctuary for students living in the U.S. without legal permission.

The school's Chancellor Robert Jones says the university supports such students, but creating a legal safe haven is a complex issue. The (Champaign) News-Gazette reports an administrative working group headed by Associate Chancellor Katherine Galvin will examine legal and regulatory issues.

Jones says the school is "doing a thoughtful analysis."

President-elect Donald Trump promised during a campaign speech to "end the sanctuary cities" and said those "that refuse to cooperate with federal authorities will not receive taxpayer dollars."

There is no legal definition of the term, which is opposed by some immigration advocates who say it doesn't reflect that people can still be deported.

3 more bodies found in Tennessee wildfire ruins; toll at 7

GATLINBURG, Tenn. (AP) — Three more bodies were found in the ruins of wildfires that torched hundreds of homes and businesses in the Great Smoky Mountains area, raising the death toll to seven, a Tennessee mayor said Wednesday.

The mayor said authorities are still working to identify the dead and did not release any details about how they were killed. State law enforcement set up a hotline for people to report missing friends and family. Officials have not said how many people they believe are missing.

More than 14,000 people were evacuated from Gatlinburg on Monday night, and many of them are still nervously awaiting word of when they can get back in the city to see if they still have homes.

Storms moved through the area as part of a system ravaging the Southeast, spawning suspected tornadoes in parts of Alabama and Tennessee, killing five people and injuring more than a dozen.

Gatlinburg Mayor Mike Werner said officials were discussing re-opening the city on Friday so business owners can assess damage and hopefully begin paying their employees again.

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Lakeland student to direct first show for CAT

By Angelica Cataldo
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Out of the spotlight and into the director's chair, Lake Land College student Alyssa Hilbert tries her hand at directing her first Charleston Alley Theatre show, "The Blue Bird."

She has been involved with theater since she was 8 years old and is still involved during her time at Lake Land. Now, at 19, she is directing her very first play by herself.

"I've never directed a show by myself before, but everybody's been on board with me," Hilbert said. "It's a very good way to get my start."

Hilbert previously performed in CAT's productions of "The Rocky Horror Show" as Columbia and "Much Ado About Nothing" as Beatrice.

She is working closely with original CAT board members Linda and Duke Bagger. Duke, who will be playing the narrator for the show, said that the board had approached Hilbert about directing the company's next show after her work in "The Rocky Horror Show."

"Alyssa showed dedication to the company, and talent," Duke said. "For her first time directing, she has done a very good job. She's an asset to (the company)."

She has also student directed a show while at Mattoon High School.

"(Theater) is going to be my life," Hilbert said. "I definitely would love to direct again."

Hilbert said she hopes to one day own



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CAT board member and actor, Duke Bagger plays the radio narrator in Charleston Alley Theatre's production of "The Blue Bird." The show will be performed as if it were a live radio broadcast and is in conjunction with Christmas in the heart of Charleston.

her own theater, and she is also writing a radio drama herself.

She is a business administration and theater double major who will be transferring to Eastern after graduating from Lake Land in the spring.

"It's stressful, but rewarding," she said.

"I'm very fortunate and it's kind of humbling. I'm so young, but everyone has taken such faith in me and wants me to see me succeed."

Hilbert is directing an annual Christmas show that has become a tradition for more than 10 years for CAT.

Every year, CAT performs a Christmas themed show in conjunction with Christmas in the Heart of Charleston, and this year they take to the stage with a stage radio show.

Bagger said this year the company board wanted a show that would be fam-

ily friendly and include children.

In the past, the content and target ages for the audience varied from adult humor to classic Christmas stories.

CAT is on its 26th season and sixth and final show for 2016, and will be closing the season as part of Charleston's Christmas festivities by marching 4:45 p.m. in Saturday's parade and performing their show over the course of the weekend.

"The Blue Bird" is a Christmas fairy tale originally written in 1908 about two children who learn about the meaning of happiness.

The show will be performed as if it takes place in a 1940s live radio broadcast. CAT transformed their stage into a radio broadcast set complete with an on-air light-up sign, Christmas decorations, vintage handmade microphones and the actors wear period clothing.

The performances will be 7:30 p.m. Friday and Saturday and 2 p.m. Sunday at the theater.

Adult admission is \$8, and children under 12 years of age can get in free of charge.

Tickets are available by calling the theater box office at 217-345-2287 or can be purchased at the door one hour before curtain at Charleston Alley Theatre, located at 718 Monroe Ave.

Free or reduced prices for tickets are available for those financially unable to pay.

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Student Senate discusses online fee increases

By Samuel Nusbaum
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The Student Senate discussed online course fees and graduation costs in their meeting Wednesday night.

Executive vice president Maralea Negrón talked about the discussion during the Board of Trustees meeting the Friday before break.

One of the topics discussed in the student affairs committee, which Negrón is a part of, was a fee increase in online courses.

"The reason they are proposing this increase is because there has been a substantial amount of students who are taking these online courses while also taking courses on campus," Negrón said. She said the fee increase

was proposed to "level out the playing field" between those taking both online and on-campus classes and those just taking online classes.

It was not voted on because most of the committee did not support the idea.

Blair Lord, vice president of academic affairs, and Lynette Drake, interim vice president of student affairs, suggested the fee increase for online classes.

Negrón said most students who are taking courses online are taking courses on campus as well. She said students are using the library and the tutoring center and other resources the university has to offer, but they are not paying the same fees as students who are taking courses solely on campus.

Negrón brought up the graduation fee increase from \$25 to \$40. This will become active in fall of the 2017 academic school year. The increase is because it costs more to put on the graduation ceremony and this increase will help cover the cost.

Student Body President Catie Witt and the "It's On Us Campaign" committee will meet Dec. 7. She said the committee has brainstormed many ideas.

"We want to get everything finalized. We cannot reserve rooms, dates and times until right when we get back," Witt said.

Witt said the committee has come up with a dodgeball tournament, bowling, getting public speaker Jackie Mortillaro to come to campus with

the possibility of a discussion panel afterwards, and having someone from the Health Education Resource Center give a seminar called "Sex is Like Pizza," where students learn about consent.

Luke Young, student vice president of academic affairs, said he emailed Barbara Warmoth, of the Charleston Community Early Learning Center, about a school supply drive. So far they are aiming for April to do the drive.

The learning center said they are willing to take any non-used school supplies and the logistics of it will be figured out next semester.

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BLOTTER

Hit and run under investigation

- A hit and run was reported at 7:52 p.m. Tuesday near McAfee Gym. The incident is under investigation.

- A domestic disturbance was reported at 10:50 a.m. Wednesday near the 3rd block of Grant Ave. The incident was referred to the Office of Student Standards.

- Criminal damage to state property was reported at 10:45 a.m. Wednesday at Stevenson Hall. The incident is under investigation.

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Shelby Niehaus

Make your complaints known, stick to your guns

If you complain about something that harms you, you should stand by your complaints.

There is a large range of actions, statements and life changes that can be counted as “standing by” your complaints, but I firmly believe that a complaint should not be made and then immediately dropped.

Too often, we identify problems or complain about social, political and personal issues that affect us, but we do not often enough use these critiques to effect any kind of meaningful change.

I think that standing behind your complaints and identified problems can mean many things; obviously, demanding that all opinionated people commit time and money to activism and social change would be classist and shortsighted. Not everyone has that kind of time or skill or dedication. But standing behind criticism can mean more than it does in the traditional sense of activism.

Sticking to your guns and using your complaints to make change can, of course, mean dropping everything and changing the world. It can mean going out and fighting hard for what you believe in and against what harms you.

On the other hand, it can also mean teaching other people. These other people might teach in turn or may commit their lives to fights that you cannot give the time and energy for.

Sometimes, sticking by your criticism can mean understanding that your stance is based on small and biased amounts of information and knowing that you have to learn more before you take action. Your best course of action, in some cases, is strategic inaction.

Whatever you do, I beg that you support your own opinions. You and the world deserve that much. Take your opinions, your ills and your complaints out into the real world in any way you possibly can. Support your opinionated friends as best as you can, even when you do not share their opinions.

I do not always stand by my criticism, but I have been trying to more and more. Sometimes it is hard to stick to my guns, but often good things come from bravery.

For instance, once I took a stance that *The Daily Eastern News* had too many spelling errors. I followed through with my criticism and took a job at the copy desk. This was a year and a half ago.

I have other friends whose complaints led them into activism, which leads them into lifelong jobs and passions. Others merely use their complaints and opinions to color the jobs they already do: teachers who use their experiences in misogyny to support their female students, journalists who write with race in mind, scientists who invite queerness and femininity into some of the most male-dominated disciplines.

But the saddest people I have met, by far, are the ones who do not let their complaints change them and will not try to change at least a little part of their worlds based on the things that have hurt or disappointed them in the past.

We feel anger and disappointment for a reason. These are our mechanisms for finding problems and fixing them.

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Black Friday Battle



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Staff Editorial

Giving Tuesday a much needed morale boost

To show thanks to Eastern as a whole, Eastern President David Glassman sent out an email encouraging everyone to get involved in the inaugural Giving Tuesday campaign.

The campaign is through social media and has the purpose of showing appreciation to current and future donors as well as sharing the stories of alumni, faculty and staff during their time at Eastern.

According to Eastern's Instagram page, the campaign helped to raise a total of \$70,963 in gifts and pledges. *The Daily Eastern News* believes that this campaign is a nice way to not only raise money for the school, but also to boost morale by sharing the experiences people have on this campus, because that is what makes Eastern so great.

It is important, especially after more than a year without full funding, to see that there is still something positive to come out during a negative situa-

tion and time.

For students considering Eastern for their four year college careers, seeing the experience and opportunities for currently enrolled students can often be the way prospective students choose to become Panthers and bleed blue.

Even the current students and faculty can learn something from across each department, because it is easy to stay focused on what is going on within your own world. The campaign allows everyone to evaluate the stories of everyone on campus.

For alumni, seeing this campaign means delving into the past, whether it is relating to the students' current experiences or comparing them to their own.

In addition to these thoughts of the future for prospective students and strolls down memory lane for alumni, the campaign shows the collaboration

between everyone who attended or worked at Eastern. *The News* thinks it is important to show appreciation to those who have contributed their donations to the university because if it were not for them, there would be several opportunities unaccounted for or eliminated, like scholarships.

Donations have and will positively affect Eastern in some way in the past, present and future, whether it was for alumni, current students or future students.

Even if it is just a photo on Instagram, a Facebook post or tweet, a little can go a long way, and sticking together and showing support in the university's time of need is the best way to keep moving forward.

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

FOIA requests keep workgroups accountable

Concerns over transparency in the ongoing vitalization project have been detailed in many articles in *The Daily Eastern News*.

As a student journalist, it is my job to look into these concerns and fight for the freedom of information and openness in public bodies.

This is why I made the potentially unpopular decision to file an aptly named Freedom of Information Act Request for the emails to and from members of the vitalization project workgroups.

Since a FOIA request can only be so broad, I was told to narrow my original request to the emails from one specific Workgroup: No. 7, the one on academic programs.

The point of filing the FOIA request was not to target this group or any person in it. Members of *The News* are not out looking for personal information or to get anybody in trouble.

We are not headline-hungry journalists, looking for whatever juicy details these emails will uncover. That is not our purpose.

The only information we are interested in is anything that will affect the members of the campus community in substantial ways so we can let people know what is happening. So we can answer the questions people need to know and keep people accountable for the decisions they make.

As it has been acknowledged by everyone on campus, the recommendations the workgroups make have the potential to make changes to the university that could affect peoples' lives, jobs and different aspects of the university they know and love. Eastern President David Glassman has said he will consider them when making decisions for the future of the university. And no matter how many of the recommendations the administration uses, they still say a lot about the direction people feel this university needs to go in to make it stronger.

When the vitalization project was first announced, people were hopeful from what I saw. They were also concerned, and for good reason. There has been tension on this university's campus ever since the fallout from the budget crisis. So many negative changes came to Eastern in such a short amount of time, and many departments both academic and nonacademic were left reeling from the loss of valuable staff members.

The university has lost so much. We are all protective of what remains.

So naturally, when it was announced that more



Cassie Buchman

changes were being planned as a part of this vitalization project, many people had questions about what it would mean for their department or area. Many of these recommendations will be done on a large scale, potentially changing how the university looks or operates. While there has been talk of getting areas more funding and how to fix programs to boost enrollment, groups are also charged to recommend how programs and services could be consolidated, outsourced or even eliminated.

People are wondering, “What will my department look like when the vitalization project is over?” They are wondering if they will still have a job and if they do, if it will look the same as it did before. Not knowing this information creates the same tense and anxious atmosphere the university had during the budget crisis, where people were waiting for the other shoe to drop, to get the announcement that a huge aspect of their lives would change.

As journalists, it is our job to answer questions for a public that is waiting anxiously for answers. But this can only be done if discussions of these recommendations are as transparent as possible. Having open workgroup meetings allowed this, as it helps people see and understand what the workgroups are suggesting. If there are discrepancies between what the workgroup recommends and what a department or area sees in them, they should be known and noted as soon as possible. People need to have their say now.

If the broader campus community is able to see and hear what the workgroups are doing, it gives people less of a chance to feel sidelined or like they are being targeted when changes take place.

Unfortunately, it came to *The News'* attention that some groups were circumventing these open meetings by doing their work via email or other methods that allowed them to avoid discussing

actual operations and anything substantial in their meetings.

This is why I chose to FOIA for these documents and emails. To make sure transparency was being upheld in all the hard work these groups are doing.

And it is hard work. When going to workgroup meetings, I saw the sacrifices many of the members have had to make when balancing the vitalization project with their own busy careers and personal lives. There is also that stress of knowing that by making these recommendations, there will be people who are angry, and that is a scary feeling. But at the end of the day, these decisions need to be made. Some sort of change needs to happen to keep the school afloat and taking out anger or anxiety on the people in the workgroups is not going to make this need go away.

But at the same time, people need to be held accountable when these recommendations are made. It is not fun to feel scrutinized or held under a microscope. I understand that. However, members of the vitalization project became public officials when they started discussing issues that could affect the public of Eastern. A public who deserve to know what is happening at the university they love.

This accountability does not just end with the workgroup members or administration. Everyone at *The News* strives to be as transparent as well, so if you have any questions about our editorial or reporting process, just ask. Any member of our staff would be more than happy to answer or find someone who can answer these questions. And if you do not like something we wrote, let us know. That is why we print our emails at the end of our stories. We want to be held as accountable as we are asking you to be.

Everyone at Eastern wants the university to be the best it can be. But this cannot happen when people are being secretive or when people do not know what is happening on their own campus.

We need answers. We need transparency. But we also need to find the compassion for each other we all had before. I believe if through this vitalization project process we can be as open with each other as possible, Eastern will be better off.

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Historic homes on display at Holiday Housewalk

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Students, faculty and community members can visit seven homes in Charleston for the 2016 Holiday Housewalk from 1 to 4 p.m. Sunday.

Houses to be toured for the

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Tickets for the housewalk are \$20 and can be purchased in advance by calling CASA at 217-

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Tickets can also be purchased the day of the housewalk at Ambero Antiques.

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Central Illinois and the Charleston Historic Preservation Commission are sponsoring the event.

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Glassman has also asked Lynette Drake, interim vice president of student affairs; Paul McCann, interim vice president of business affairs; and Blair Lord, vice president of academic affairs, to provide a list of their own recommendations for programs and services in their area by Thursday, Dec. 15.

Neither the vice presidents' nor the workgroup's recommendations will be weighted higher than the other, Glassman said.

Any recommendation that suggests the deletion, consolidation or outsourcing of an academic or non-academic service or program will lead to Glassman meeting with the leaders of the impacted unit or department.

The affected areas will have the opportunity to provide information they believe is important for the consideration of the administration.

He said the administrative decision-making and prioritizing process will also begin in January, as they begin looking at the recommendations.

Not every recommendation will be implemented, Glassman said, and the ones implemented will be based on what the administration thinks will have the greatest positive impact on the university.

"The implementations of decisions will occur on an ongoing manner based on prioritization, timing and available resources,"



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Billy Hung, a member of Workgroup No. 2, asks Eastern President David Glassman about whether a public forum for feedback regarding workgroup recommendations will be available during the all Task Force meeting Wednesday in Coleman Auditorium. Glassman replied to this inquiry by saying anyone is welcome to comment and make suggestions at any time throughout the process.

he said. "It has to be a strategic, thoughtful reflection on what the vitalization project all about- efficiency in operations, making ourselves marketable and increasing enrollment."

Glassman said the university community will be updated on all of the administration's decisions

on the vitalization project's website.

"You will be able to follow along as decisions are implemented (and) which recommendations were essentially accepted by administration in making a decision and what decision was made relative to that recommendation," he

said.

The Board of Trustees will be informed on the decisions. Any eliminations of academic programs have to have their approval, per a contractual agreement, but they will not necessarily have to vote on other decisions.

Billy Hung, a member of Work-

group No. 2, looking at university technology, asked if Glassman plans on setting up formal channels for public feedback before decisions are made.

"So far preliminary (recommendations) have gone out through the VP's to the impacted units," Hung said. "The time frame is pretty tight and not everyone even in the impacted units have had chance to provide the feedback they wanted to."

Glassman said anybody can review the final recommendations and provide responses individually or as a group.

Now, in the final weeks of the semester, Workgroups No. 1 through 7 will begin to review responses prepared by impacted departments after they saw the preliminary recommendations.

The groups will then reassess their recommendations based on these responses and can request more data or information that will assist them.

Workgroups will then consider whether to reaffirm their preliminary recommendation, modify it based on the additional information or delete it all together.

The workgroups are also able to add new recommendations, but they will need to list these on a new page of their report.

"That page has to be marked clearly that these are new recommendations, not one's first developed at the preliminary stages," Glassman said.

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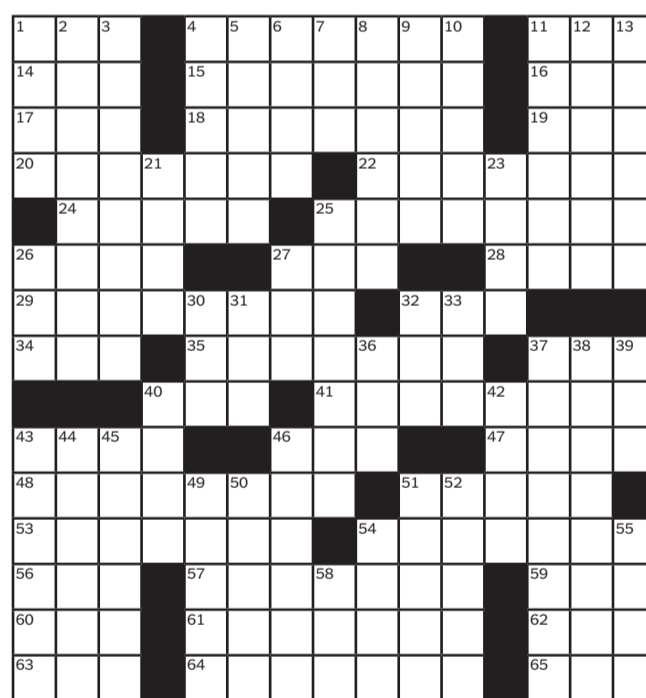
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Professor of sociology Michael Gillespie explains the concept of food insecurity and its effects on specific demographics in America during the Appetite for Equality Oxfam Hunger Banquet Wednesday in the Grand Ballroom of the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union.

The New York Times Crossword

Edited by Will Shortz No. 1027

- ACROSS**
- 1 Blu-ray ancestor
 - 4 European History and Physics C: Mechanics, for two
 - 11 One may be open at the bar
 - 14 Fair-hiring inits.
 - 15 Midriff-showing garment
 - 16 "Kinda sorta"
 - 17 Area ____
 - 18 Tile in a mosaic
 - 19 The "World's Most Dangerous Group"
 - 20 Like fish and chips
 - 22 Like many celebrity memoirs
 - 24 Some gold rush remnants
 - 25 Sister publication of 16 Magazine
 - 26 What's done in Haiti?
 - 27 Suffix with drunk
 - 28 Column on an airport screen: Abbr.
 - 29 #1 hit for Bill Withers (1972) and Club Nouveau (1987)
 - 32 ____ es Salaam
 - 34 Address not found on a GPS
 - 35 Full of ghosts ... like four answers in this puzzle?
 - 37 "Now I ain't sayin' ____ a gold digger" (Kanye West lyric)
 - 40 ____ Pérignon (brand of bubbly)
 - 41 Milton Berle hosted the world's first one
 - 43 Berry said to have anti-aging qualities
 - 46 Crew leader, for short
 - 47 Advice between "buy" and "sell"
 - 48 Zapper
 - 51 Campfire entertainment
 - 53 Monster film hit of 1984
 - 54 How the fashionable dress
 - 56 Grp. that brought Colbert to Baghdad
 - 57 "That was over the line"
 - 59 Like on Twitter, informally
 - 60 Bleu expanse
 - 61 School assignment specification
 - 62 Word before "Happy New Year!"
 - 63 It went boom, for short
 - 64 Repeat offenses, metaphorically
 - 65 GPS lines: Abbr.
- DOWN**
- 1 Sink or swim, e.g.
 - 2 Package delivery person
 - 3 Fit for a queen
 - 4 It follows a curtain-raising
 - 5 Inauguration V.I.P.: Abbr.
 - 6 Comedian Daniel
 - 7 Brief records, in brief
 - 8 Knight's ride
 - 9 Shredded
 - 10 4,200 feet, for the Golden Gate Bridge
 - 11 One involved with underground rock bands?
 - 12 "This ____!" (fighting words)
 - 13 Tête-à-têtes
 - 21 Element #50
 - 23 Ingot, e.g.
 - 25 Home of the Thunder, the Double-A affiliate of the Yankees
 - 26 Certain bug
 - 27 ____ Darya
 - 30 "Now you're talking!"
 - 31 "Smokey, this is not _____. This is bowling. There are rules" ("The Big Lebowski" quote)
 - 32 Joe Biden's home: Abbr.
 - 33 Suffix with hater
 - 36 Ted Cruz's home: Abbr.
 - 37 Aimed at
 - 38 Suriname colonizer
 - 39 Last song recorded by all four Beatles, with "the"
 - 40 German article
 - 42 By way of: Abbr.
 - 43 Reunion attendees
 - 44 Welfare worker's workload
 - 45 Of ____ (so to speak)
 - 46 More adorable
 - 49 Boxing segments: Abbr.
 - 50 Joint ailment
 - 51 Bit of dust
 - 52 Tap options
 - 54 Take a long bath
 - 55 Fashion's ____ Saint Laurent
 - 58 Early fifth-century year



PUZZLE BY MILO BECKMAN

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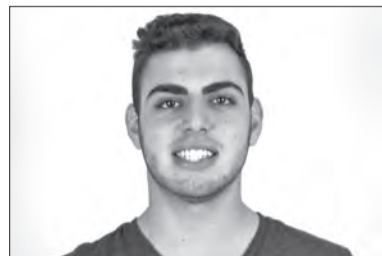
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OPINION

3-point shooting falters in OT loss

By **Maher Kawash**
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In basketball there is a relatively known phrase that says a team can live by the three or die by the three, and for the Eastern men's basketball team it was the ladder that led to an overtime downfall.



Maher Kawash

With Bradley in town for a mid-week affair, the Panthers had a shot to keep their undefeated home record alive until 25 percent shooting from deep proved to be the difference in an 87-83 loss.

Eastern was down in the first half and almost all of their points came inside the arch as the team knocked down just three of its 11 3-pointers to start.

"It was a combination of them playing really hard on defensive and trying to get us out of our offensive sets," junior Cornell Johnston said.

Eastern's offensive sets relied on the paint where the Panthers found 31 points as well as 29 points off Bradley's turnovers.

Adjustments were made offensively in the second half, but none behind the arch as the Panthers only got worse by making just 20 percent of their 3-pointers to end the game.

The struggles from deep were apparent throughout for Eastern, but perhaps clearest when Montell Goodwin had a chance to hit the game-winning shot as time expired in regulation.

But like many other 3-pointers from the Panthers Tuesday night, it rattled off the rim and sent the game to overtime with both teams tied at 72.

Eastern's slow start in overtime allowed Bradley to jump out to a big lead until senior Demetrius McReynolds broke the trend from deep.

The inconsistency behind the arch had a chance to disappear for the Panthers as McReynolds knocked down a three to bring Eastern within two with 42 seconds left on the clock.

But Bradley's adjustments proved to be too much for the Panthers and limited Eastern's offense.

"They guarded us hard and forced us into the shots we took," Spoonhour said.

Eastern did not struggle completely on offense as a team, mustering out 40 percent shooting from the field while scoring more than 80 points for the third time this season.

The Panthers offense is best when the athleticism is present in juniors Goodwin, Ray Crossland and Muisa Dama.



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Sophomore forward Patrick Muldoon hauls in one of his two rebounds Tuesday against Bradley at Lantz Arena. The Panthers record moved to 4-3 after the 87-83 loss to the visiting Braves.

That was clear in the second half when Dama slammed home an alley-oop to seemingly give the Panthers all the momentum they needed.

But in the end, Eastern's struggles from deep were fatal and sends the Panthers to now turning their focus to Illinois-Chicago this weekend.

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UPCOMING SCHEDULE

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7	at Northern Kentucky	6 p.m.
10	at Western	2 p.m.
17	at Missouri	2:30 p.m.
19	Fontbonne University	7 p.m.
21	Indiana State	4:30 p.m.
31	Jacksonville State	3:15 p.m.

Howse reflects on successful track and field career

By **Kaitlin Cordes**
Track & Field Reporter | @DEN_Sports

Although senior Janie Howse will not be competing as a weight thrower in field events this year, she said she will maintain a presence on her team by cheering them on at meets this season.

Howse will be graduating in December this year, and she said she will always be proud of her decade-long career in athletics, especially her time at Eastern.

"I have never and will never regret one second of my time as an EIU Panther. I am proud that I competed here, and I will be proud to graduate from here," Howse said.

While at Eastern, Howse broke two school weight-throwing records in the indoor weight throw and the

outdoor hammer throw. She was also named the Eastern Female Athlete of the Year for the 2015-16 season.

Howse earned First Team All-Ohio Valley Conference honors in the indoor throw in 2016 and Second Team All-OVC honors in discus in 2013.

In her last full season as a Panther, Howse received the Eastern Presidential Award for academics, an OVC Medal of Honor and a United States Track and Field and Cross-



Janie Howse

Country Coaches Association All-Academics honor.

Howse's track and field career began when she was a sixth grader at Central Assumption and Moweaqua school, and she continued to participate at Moweaqua Central A&M High School, winning the Illinois class IA state title in discus her senior year.

Howse said over her 10 years as a track and field athlete, her family has been her biggest supporters.

"My family has been a huge motivator in my track and field career. Even in college, they never missed a meet, and they usually came with cookies in hand," Howse said. "Track has always been a family affair; my mother, father, grandma and grandpa are my biggest supporters."

I always had high expectations for myself so I competed for me, but I also competed for them."

Howse modeled her family's motivating spirit as a leader of the throwing squad. She said that as a senior, her job was to build up her teammates and help them have the best possible experience as a college athlete.

Being a part of the Eastern track and field has also taught Howse to have pride in her achievements and how to hone in on more than just physical strength.

"In my time as an athlete, I have taken away lifelong friendships that can never be replaced. I have taken away a sense of accomplishment from achieving goals I never even thought I had, and I have learned that strength comes from more than

your muscles," Howse said.

Howse said being a part of Eastern athletics has shown her she is often the one thing standing in the way of achieving her goals, so she is the only one that can move those obstacles.

She said the most valuable thing she has taken away from her career at Eastern are not the awards or honors but the friends and memories.

"I also learned that hardware gets dusty. I have had much success in my career and earned many medals and plaques, but the memories that I now carry with me from this experience will shine bright long after the hardware tarnishes," Howse said.

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Panthers begin road trip at Illinois State

By Mark Shanahan
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The Eastern women's basketball team is back on the road for two games starting with the Illinois State Redbirds tonight.

The Redbirds (2-3) have reached above .500 for the first time since the 2012-13 season following a home opening victory over Valparaiso. Since the victory over Valparaiso, Illinois State is on a two game losing streak, losing to Yale and Northern Illinois.

This is the 41st meeting between Eastern and Illinois State with the Redbirds leading the series 31-9. The Redbirds hold the 15-4 advantage when hosting the Panthers. The last meeting between the two teams ended in a 59-58 victory for Eastern.

Senior Taylor Stewart is the leading scorer for the Redbirds averaging 14 points along with 3.6 rebounds and 11 assists per game. Stewart is shooting 41.9 percent from the 3-point line this season. Junior Hannah Green has also been impressive averaging 10.5 points, 5.3 rebounds, 2.0 blocks and 2.3 steals per game.

Eastern coach Debbie Black said the Redbirds have the ability to shoot the 2-pointer well.

"They're an interesting team," Black said. "They really shoot the three ball well on some nights and they really don't shoot the three well. They have one player in particular that we have to stop (Stewart). When she hits three's, they win."

Illinois State did well handling the ball in the loss to Northern Illinois with a season-low 10 turnovers. They are averaging 11.7 turnovers per game.



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Freshman Allison Van Dyke dribbles the ball Monday against Indiana State at Lantz Arena. Van Dyke scored seven points shooting 3-9 from the field and 1-2 at the free throw line, she also hauled in four rebounds in Eastern's 88-61 loss.

The Panthers are averaging 15.9 turnovers per game this season. The Redbirds started a different lineup last game for the first time with freshmen Megan Talbot and Frannie Corrigan making their first career start and senior Brechelle Beachum made her first start of the year.

Eastern is coming off an 88-61 loss to Indiana State Monday night. The offense is led by junior Grace Lennox

who is averaging 12.6 points, 3.9 assists and 1.7 steals per game. Freshman Allison Van Dyke has received Ohio Valley Conference Freshman of the Week each of the past two weeks and is averaging 12 points and 4.7 rebounds per game.

Black is still seeing how her team bounces back from losses this season, but the first loss this season was an early indicator.

"The big one was on the road at Stet-

son and we were on the road again at Florida A&M, and I thought we had a good game," Black said. "I guess we'll have to see how it goes, but I think today and obviously Saturday will be a good test for us."

Black said after the Indiana State loss that when you give up 88 points, you are not going to win games. She said for Thursday night's game they will show different defensive looks.

"We will mix up our defense," Black said. "I think you'll see a little more zone, a little more pressure, I liked our full-court pressure the other night, we're going to do a little more of that."

The game is set to tipoff at 7 p.m. at Illinois State.

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Freshmen key to success early on for Eastern

By JJ Bullock
Women's Basketball Reporter | @DEN_Sports

In just the first month of play, the Eastern women's basketball team has eclipsed their entire win total from last season, and much of the credit for that can be handed to the strong play of the freshman class.

With two in the starting lineup and two playing key roles off the bench, the freshmen on Eastern coach Debbie Black's squad have earned their keep.

"To tell you the truth they have all been doing a great job. I mean they

have all earned it because I certainly tried other people," Black said. "They're (the freshman) not afraid. They want to win, they bring winning attitudes to this team and I think that's the big thing."

The decision to put two freshmen in the starting lineup is not typically an easy one, but Black knew early on it was the right call.

"(In the preseason), my best lineup was when Allison (Van Dyke) and Jen (Nehls) were on the wing," she said. "I probably knew midway through preseason (that Van Dyke and Nehls would start), but I let it ride, I started oth-

er people in the exhibition games, but these two came to the top."

Headlining the newcomers for Eastern, Van Dyke, was just awarded her second-straight Ohio Valley Conference freshman of the week honor. Van Dyke is second on the team in points-per-game (12), and is the only freshman in the top-30 leaderboard in the conference for scoring.

"She is uncanny," Black said of Van Dyke. "Probably her best asset, which most people don't know, is the fact that she has a basketball IQ that's hard to teach. You can coach your butt off, but

when you have kids that know how to play the game that really helps."

Van Dyke's size at the guard position brings an element to the court that Black has been hunting for sometime.

"She brings a level of confidence to us, and its kind of what I've been missing in a guard," Black said. "I've wanted, I told my staff, a guard that's big and that can play. She is a 5'11" guard, that's really made an impact for this team."

Although it is just her first month playing in the NCAA, Van Dyke has not missed a beat in shouldering her offensive responsibilities, something she

became used to at the high school level.

"I've sort of always had that on every team I have been on, so it doesn't really feel like anything different for me," she said. "I am just trying to help out in anyway I can."

Along with Van Dyke, freshman Jennifer Nehls has made strides in the starting lineup, doing extra work after practice to improve her ball handling, playing both the guard and the forward position for Black.

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Coach Schuette signs 3 to 2017-18 Eastern softball team

By Sean Hastings
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Eastern softball coach Kim Schuette announced the signings of three players set to join the team for the 2017-18 season. Joining the Panthers next year will be junior transfer Brea Cooper and high school seniors Megan Burton and Morgan LaMore.

"I'm excited. I wish they could come now," Schuette said. "But I like our team now, and I think that they'll be great additions to the three seniors that we're losing."

Cooper hit .494 in her first season at Rend Lake Community College with 17 home runs. She had the highest batting average in the district.

"She's a left-handed power hitter, which we needed in the lineup and very excited about her experience coming in," Schuette said.

Cooper saw split time in the outfield and at first base for the Warriors at Rend Lake in her first year of college softball.



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Members of the Eastern softball team pause before a game for the national anthem during the 2015-16 season.

She was also a member of the NJCAA All-Region 24 team.

Burton, in her junior season at Danville High School, hit .424 and drove in 14 runs. Burton can play any position on the field, Schuette said. She is a

three-sport athlete in softball, basketball and volleyball.

LaMore is a catcher out of Bradley-Bourbonnais High School and has been the starting catcher her previous three years. She is also on the volleyball team.

LaMore was named to the SWSC All-Conference Team last year.

This is Schuette's first season as the Panther's head coach after replacing Angie Nicholson who resigned suddenly. Schuette previously coached the Eastern

softball team from 2006-13.

"When I got the job here I knew what they had lost because I knew those seniors that they had last year," Schuette said.

After the team went through the fall season, Schuette and the rest of the team decided what holes needed to be filled to make them stronger in certain areas.

"Recruiting is a crazy beast," Schuette said. "People who know you will call and say 'coach you need to go see this kid; she fell through the cracks, you need to go see her.' And I got those phone calls from lots of different people about the same kid."

Schuette said she is most excited about how athletic each of the three new signees are, especially with Burton and LaMore. She added that Cooper is athletic as well, but the power she brings to the plate is her biggest asset.

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