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

Changing Charleston



Lacey Buidosik / Assoc. photo editor

John Muller, 30 year Charleston resident and attorney, walks to Weber Jewelry on the square Monday afternoon. Muller said he has seen a large decrease in business on the square in recent years.

Lincoln Avenue has replaced historic Square

Nicole Meinheit
Features editor

Mack Moore started working in the shoe business at Mitchell Brother's Shoe Store on Charleston's Square in 1917.

Moore was a college student then and his part-time job at the shoe store helped pay his way through school.

After Mack Moore graduated he stayed in Charleston, bought Mitchell Brother's Shoe Store, changed the name to Mack Moore Shoes and began what has become a family business. His son, Jerry, now owns the store.

"He started working the shoe business, his kids got into the business, now I've got two sons and a daughter in it," Jerry Moore said.

While Mack Moore was building the business and even after he passed it on to his son, the business stayed on the Square.

That is until last year.

After 65 years on the Square, Mack Moore Shoes moved to 305 W. Lincoln Ave.

"We hated like everything to move," Moore said.

Since the move, Moore has had to increase his business hours, staff and stock.

"We stay open an extra hour a day and open

later on Fridays. We should be open on Sunday afternoons, but we just don't have enough hands," Moore said.

The new location has increased business to the point where Moore had to add more merchandise lines, including Birkenstock and Doc Martens.

The new location is closer to Eastern, but the bulk of Moore's customers are drawn off of Lincoln Avenue, he said.

"We probably have a few more Eastern students that shop at the new location," he said. "They buy Doc Martens, they buy Birkenstock, of course town people do too."

Moore said the new location attracts people who are just passing through Charleston.

Moore's shoe store is just the latest deflection from the Square.

Since the beginning of the 1900s, the Square has slowly gone from an economic center to a business district.

In the past, offices were located in the second story above storefronts, but those offices have been replaced by apartments and gradually, as the storefronts moved off the Square, the offices have moved into the storefronts' spaces.

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Case against Santi dropped

Grand jury refuses to return indictment for criminal sexual assault charges

By Deana Poole
Editor in chief

The charges against the Eastern student suspected of using "date-rape drugs" to sexually assault an 18-year-old freshman have been dropped after a grand jury could not find probable cause for him to stand trial.

Adam T. Santi, 22, of Mundelin, was charged in late October with allegedly having intercourse with a woman without consent Oct. 20 at his Charleston residence, 1616 Ninth St.

The case was sent to the grand jury in December for investigation. Friends of the woman and Santi's roommates who were present during the night in question were subpoenaed and forced to testify, said Ron Tulin, Santi's attorney.

Tulin said he nor John Watson, the assistant state's attorney, were present during the grand jury deliberations. The 12 jurors, of which nine would have had to vote in favor of indictment, returned a "no true bill," which means the jury did not find evidence the offense was committed.

"That doesn't happen very often; It's very unusual," Tulin said. "As they say, a grand jury would indict a sandwich if the state's attorney wanted them to."

"That they didn't, shows that there wasn't a very strong case," he said.

Court records state the woman met Santi, a senior speech communications major, at an unknown apartment in Pinetree apartments

on Ninth Street, after which she allegedly accepted an invitation to return to Santi's residence. The woman told police she accompanied Santi to his room, where he made her a drink.

They had several sexual encounters, but she repeatedly told him she did not want to have intercourse, court documents said. The woman told police she lost consciousness shortly after taking the drink.

Santi told police the woman originally refused but then consented to have sexual intercourse, police records said.

The day after the alleged incident, the woman requested a blood test for the date-rape drug Gamma Hydroxybutyric Acid, or "Liquid G." Tulin said the test results revealed no evidence of "Liquid G" in her system.

Police obtained a search warrant for Santi's residence after the woman identified him in a photo lineup and reaffirmed she did not give consent to the sexual activity. Glasses, bottles and other evidence were taken to the crime lab for testing. Tulin said no date-rape drugs were confiscated from Santi's residence.

If Santi was convicted of criminal sexual assault, which is a Class 1 felony, he could have faced a maximum of 15 years in prison and no less than four years.

Tulin said the case could be reopened if the state's attorney finds a reason to, but "I

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Student Senate looking to fill position vacancies

By Chris Sievers
Student government editor

Student Senate members today will open an application pool to fill two open positions on the senate and various other senate staff positions.

Senate Speaker Bill Gruen said two off-campus positions still remain empty after the last Student Senate election.

Applications can be picked-up in the Student Government Office located in the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union, Gruen said.

He said the senate is looking for people who are interested in participating in Senate to be available to fill in if there is an open seat sometime this semester.

These students will be informed with current issues going on in the senate and will be able to step in whenever there is an empty seat, Gruen said.

The senate will open up the application process for students who are interested in being involved in the staff program.

Gruen said the senate staff is similar to

staff members for Congress and state legislators.

Senate staffers will work in the office with senate members, take phone calls and could have responsibilities in terms of recognized student organizations, Gruen said.

He also said being on senate staff is an entry step to being in the Student Senate.

Gruen said senate staff would need a lot of interest in order to keep the program going for next semester.

"This semester we are feeling it out to see if it will work," Gruen said. "If it is successful we can get concrete plans for it."

Gruen said students can apply for both the two open positions and the senate staff positions.

Gruen said Senate staffers would have to attend Senate meetings and they would be a solution to a problem of not having enough Senate members to represent all of the RSOs.

More inside

New Senate Speaker optimistic about seats being filled.

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Minister and family found guilty for death of child

NORRISTOWN, Pa. (AP) - A minister was arrested in Georgia on child endangerment charges Monday, two days after the beating death of the 4-year-old boy he and his wife were caring for.

The Rev. Javan McBurrows and his wife, Jane, were found in Georgia's DeKalb County, along their five children and the brother and sister of 4-year-old Michael Davis, Montgomery County prosecutors said.

Prosecutors had few other details but said the charges stemmed from the treatment of

the seven children. They said no charges were filed in connection with Michael's death, although an investigation was continuing.

McBurrows and his wife disappeared soon after Mrs. McBurrows took the boy to Abington Memorial Hospital early Saturday, prosecutor Bruce Castor said. Mrs. McBurrows told hospital officials the boy had fallen in a tub, authorities said.

Michael died later that day at Children's Hospital of Philadelphia.

On Sunday, Castor said autop-

sy results showed the boy was a victim of a severe beating.

"We're not saying that the McBurrowses killed this child," Castor said Sunday.

Michael and two of his siblings had been left in the McBurrowses' care by Michael's mother, Erika Daye, who has several other children and said she was unable to care for them all, Castor said.

The McBurrowses were believed to have left with their five children and Michael's siblings.

Castor said the search for McBurrows intensified when he didn't show up for Sunday services at his Third Christian Church in west Philadelphia.

Authorities searched and condemned the McBurrowses' "squalid, uninhabitable" two-story house in North Hills, Castor said.

"The chief of police told me that when he was in Southeast Asia in the poorest sections during the Vietnam War, he never saw anything like this," Castor said.

Extended Hours

Textbook Rental Service:

8 a.m. to 7 p.m. Tuesday Jan. 12 through Thursday Jan. 14
8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Friday Jan. 15 (regular hours)

Student Recreation Center:

5:30 a.m. to 10 p.m. Tuesday Jan. 12

Health Education Resource Center

Closed until Wednesday

Square

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The past president of the Charleston Uptown Association moved his business off the Square because it just could not deliver enough revenue, said Tonya Wood, secretary of the Charleston Uptown Association and owner of Lincoln Book Shop, 619 Monroe Ave.

"I was lucky, my husband was able to support my family, but if your business has to support a family you have to do what you have to do," Wood said.

The 25 to 30 businesses remaining on the Square are struggling for customers from both Eastern students and the Charleston community, Wood said.

Gail Warner, owner of Art Space, 714 Monroe Ave., said she also has trouble getting business.

Warner's hours are tailored around the school schedule so it is convenient for students to shop there, she said.

Warner, a teacher's aide, has her business open in the evenings and on Saturdays.

She works with an art instructor who gives lessons on different crafting techniques. Warner also teaches classes on making hemp jewelry and beeding. While the classes are usually well attended, Warner still needs more customers.

"There used to be a lot more people coming and going, more students, more town people," Wood said.

When Wood opened Lincoln Book Shop in the 1960s, it was located on Lincoln Avenue. She moved her store to the Square about four years ago, she said.

"There was a time when it seemed very prosperous and a lot of people opened small shops," Wood said. "Two or three years ago, it was reviving, but in recent times students no longer feel as welcome here."

In 1960, when Wood first came to Charleston, the Square was "the heart of the town," she said.

Lincoln Avenue was just getting widened and the Square was home to a number of businesses including clothing stores, Mack Moore Shoe Store, restaurants, grocery stores, theaters, hotels and candy stores.

The Square, in 1960, was a different place than it is now, said Dan Thornburgh, former president and current trustee of the Coles County Historical Society.

"Anything was possible. You could buy anything on the Square," Thornburgh said.

Thornburgh says business gradually began moving out to Lincoln Avenue after 1960, when Lincoln Avenue was widened.

Before the 1960s, Lincoln Avenue was the end of Charleston. Eastern's campus was surrounded by fields.

"There were no hamburger joints (on Lincoln Avenue). There was nothing except for one restaurant and Ikes," Thornburgh said.

The economic center of Charleston was the Square, which played home to a variety of businesses and drew Charleston residents and Eastern faculty and students.

"If you went (to the Square) on a Friday or Saturday night up until 1960, it would have been loaded with people," Thornburgh said.

Students were attracted by the restaurants, especially Snappy Service, Thornburgh said.

Snappy Service was the first fast food restaurant in Charleston and they specialized in the 10 cent hamburgers sold 10 for a \$1.

Students also patronized the movie theaters.

At that time, there were two other theaters in addition to Will Rogers Theater, 705 Monroe Ave., but the big draw was "Whiskey Row," Thornburgh said.

After prohibition, the mayor of Charleston at that time decided all the taverns needed to be

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Tonya Wood,
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confined to one part of the town, Thornburgh said.

That part of the town was a few blocks of Monroe Avenue west of Sixth Street. Mother's, 506 Monroe Ave., remains on "Whiskey Row" but other taverns have spread out across Charleston.

After Lincoln Avenue was widened the planners promised that business would stretch from Charleston to Mattoon and there were hopes that Charleston and Mattoon would become twin cities much like Bloomington-Normal, Thornburgh said.

"It may happen, but it hasn't," Thornburgh said.

By the 1980s, Lincoln Avenue had attracted the wide array of fast food restaurants that are there now, but a location on Lincoln Avenue does not guarantee a successful business.

LuLu's Cajun Grille opened in August of 1997 and closed in July of 1998.

Despite businesses like LuLu's, many, like Mack Moore Shoes, have moved off the

Santi

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believe this case is finished."

Watson was unavailable for comment.

Santi said the past few months battling in and out of court has made him a stronger person.

"I've gone through a lot; I had a gun pointed at my head, was arrested and spent two days in jail," Santi said.

Santi said since the day after he was arrested, he stood by what he

called his mission statement: "I had faith that the truth will set me free."

He said many faculty members urged him to drop out of school but he was determined to continue his education.

"I paid \$2,000 just to get an education," he said of his bail money, which has been reimbursed since the charges have been dropped.

Santi said he had the support of his family and friends throughout the ordeal.

"I don't blame anyone who believed (the stories in the newspaper)," he said. "I believe everything in the newspaper."

Square in search of new customers.

Mack Moore Shoes' new location not only places it closer to Eastern's campus, but it also places it on Lincoln Avenue, which has become the new economic center of Charleston.

The relocation of the economic center has even forced some stores to close their doors.

The General Store, a coffee shop on the Square, was not even open a year before it had to close its doors, Wood said.

The Co-Vault Drug Store was located in the building that now houses the Charleston Police Department at 520 Jackson Ave., Wood said.

"If you had a bad summer, you used to say 'It will pick up in the fall when the kids come back,' but the past few years you can't tell a difference," Wood said. "It doesn't have the bustle of a college town."

Instead of the bustle on the Square, Eastern students and Charleston residents are going to Champaign, Wood said.

In her book store, Wood can order any book and does not charge a shipping fee, but customers have repeatedly told her, "I'll just pick it up in Champaign," Wood said.

Businesses on the Square have worked to draw more people to the Square. All summer long Scott Johnston ran the Farmers' Market on the Square, selling fresh fruits and vegetables and various organizations have organized festivals on the Square.

While the festivals have brought new business to the Square, they have not been a permanent solution. The businesses still on the Square will have to work out a more permanent solution, and they have to hope the new Panther Express shuttle bus will make the Square more accessible to Eastern students.

In the early 1900s, Eastern had a shuttle bus system called the Interurban, which was a lot like a street car, and it followed a similar route to the current Panther Express, taking students from campus to the Square and to Mattoon, Thornburgh said.

"The Students were there (on the Square). They went to the movie house, they frequented the Square because there was no other place to go until the 1960s," Thornburgh said.

It is the hope the shuttle will bring more students to the Square, but businesses like Moore's can see the advantages of moving.

"We'll never go back," Jerry Moore said.

The old location of Mack Moore Shoes sits vacant. A sign in the window directs customers to the new location, away from the Square.

If Moore can find a renter for the space, he will rent it out. But right now he is considering using the building for office space.

After all, his children do business with a safety shoe division and sell to factories all over Illinois. This is a growing business.



Lacey Buidosik / Assoc. photo editor

Jennifer Parker, a senior sociology major, leaves Booth library Monday morning. The library will be offering technology classes to faculty, staff, and students in the Technology Training Room of the library.

Free computer workshops offered

Booth library offers technology workshops on how to use computer programs

By Matt Neistein
Staff writer

There is hope for those bewildered by the intricacies of personal computing, word processing and the Internet.

Booth Library is offering technology workshops this semester to students, staff and faculty.

The classes are held in the Technology Training Facility, or Room 132, in the library.

Linda Spangler, library operations assistant, said library staff members act as instructors for the workshops, which range from beginner-level classes to advanced-level classes for those already comfortable with basic computer skills.

The workshops have been offered for the past year and a half, Spangler said. Class size is limited to 21 students, and sign-ups are on a first-come, first-serve

basis, according to a press release.

Students can learn how to use many different programs, including Windows '95, ILLINET, Eudora, PowerPoint, Netscape, and most Microsoft accessories.

Workshops also are offered on how to research the World wide Web, use E-mail and create a personal web page.

Several workshops are offered to help with typing papers, Spangler said. And many of the classes are held twice to accommodate students with busy schedules.

Information on each workshop can be found online at www.eiu.edu/-booth/resources/sched.html, and registration for a workshop can be done by calling Library Services at 581-6061.

To register for a workshop, students, faculty and staff can call Library Services at 581-6061.

There is no cost to sign up for the workshops.

Student senators make the grade

By Chris Sievers
Student government editor

Student Senate members are hopeful they will not be faced with the same situation of not having a full senate, which is what happened last semester.

Newly elected Speaker of the Senate Bill Gruen remains optimistic this semester's senate will not have the same problems as last semester with losing senate members.

Gruen said there was a variety of reasons so many seats were lost last semester.

"We need to remember that senators are students first," Gruen said. "Their first responsibility is to get their grades."

Gruen said when and if there is a problem with grades, it needs to be the students' focus.

"We (Student Senate) should not work to keep a student in senate," Gruen said. "They need to work on classroom grades."

Gruen said grades should not be an issue with student senators.

"Theoretically or ideally, students who want to be in senate (are) going to be the brighter students," he said. "Theoretically or ideally,

we won't have to worry about grades this semester."

Gruen said involvement is the key to keeping students in senate.

"The first thing is to make sure (senators) always have projects," Gruen said.

Gruen said he would like to see committees work on projects to inform students of what is going on around them.

Gruen said there is no requirement for senators to work on projects. The only requirements for senators are to attend weekly meetings, attend their recognized student organization meetings and keep their office hours.

Gruen said he would like to see more senators writing legislation.

"When you do that, that is when senate is more interesting," Gruen said.

The senators who already know how to write legislation need to include others so they will learn how to write legislation, he said.

Controversial issues that come before the senate also can keep people interested, he said.

"Controversy is not bad," he said. "I like it. It makes senate more interesting."

Deadline set for Boulay's psychologists' reports

By Joe Sanner
Senior reporter

The Eastern student accused of murdering his ex-girlfriend has finished meeting with psychologists, but lawyers are still waiting for the final report to be submitted.

Circuit Court Judge Ashton Waller Monday set the deadline for submitting psychologists' reports for Feb. 5, which is the date set for Justin "Jay" Boulay's next pretrial hearing.

Boulay has met with psychologists for the prosecution and defense with expectations that Public Defender Lonnie Lutz will argue Boulay could have been temporarily insane or suffered another affliction at the time he allegedly committed the murder.

State's Attorney Steve Ferguson requested the prosecution's experts examine Boulay to dispute the defense's case of temporary insanity.

Judge Waller has been schedul-

ing pretrial and status hearings to keep track of the status of the case since it began last February.

He said once all the psychologists' reports are in, there should be nothing to delay the March 2 jury trial any further.

Boulay's case was originally scheduled to go to trial in September and that date was rescheduled to Dec. 8.

The Dec. 8 date was delayed so Boulay could finish meeting with psychologists from both the defense and prosecution.

Boulay is charged with the strangulation murder of his former 18-year-old girlfriend and Eastern student Andrea Will, of Batavia. Miss Will's body was found Feb. 3, 1998 in Boulay's apartment near campus.

Boulay is currently under home confinement in Kane County where he wears an electronic monitoring device and can only leave for court appearances and meetings with psychologists.

Judge sets trial date of May 11 for Jenkins

Christy Kilgore
City editor

A circuit court judge Monday set the trial date for the man accused of shooting a Coles County Sheriff's deputy for May 11.

Michael L. Jenkins, 29, of Mattoon, stands accused of attempted murder and other charges originating from the shooting of Sheriff's Deputy Bob Butler on April 1, 1998.

Jenkins was recently sentenced to 20 years on federal weapons and

bank robbery charges that he was convicted of committing on the same day Butler was shot.

The federal charges allege Jenkins stole a car from a Mattoon gas station and used the car to rob a bank in Lerna.

After the Lerna robbery, Jenkins



Michael Jenkins

allegedly hid for several hours and attempted to walk to Charleston when Butler picked him up.

While Butler was driving to the Coles County Courthouse, Jenkins allegedly pulled a gun and ordered Butler to pull over on the 600 block of Jefferson Avenue.

After Butler pulled over, he was shot in the neck and face. Jenkins allegedly took Butler's gun and fled on foot.

Jenkins was arrested on charges of shooting Butler the next morning at a home west of Charleston.

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Assessment improved

A new initiative being proposed by the Office of Academic Affairs could eliminate the writing competency exam and replace it with a magnetic portfolio.

The new initiative, which is only a possibility, would be a tremendous improvement to the writing competency exam because it tracks the progress of students' writing throughout their college career instead of basing the assessment on an exam taken in just a few hours.

Charles Evans, professor of political science and former associate vice president for academic affairs, said the electronically based portfolio would contain writing samples from a lower-division general education course, an upper-division general education course, a senior seminar and a course within the student's major.

Writing competency

A writing sample portfolio would be a easier and more effective judge of students' writing abilities.

Students are required to take a standardized test and write two essays within three and a half hours for the writing competency

exam, and this is supposed to determine if students are competent enough to graduate. There also is the bonus of paying \$18 to take the exam at 8 a.m. on a Saturday morning.

The office of assessment would hold the writing portfolios on magnetic disks and at the conclusion of the students' college career, a group of trained faculty members would read and assess a sampling of the portfolios to ensure students are meeting the minimum literacy requirements.

The second initiative Evans presented is a standardized objective test to be administered to all rising juniors. The test would be like an ACT test where students would fill in the blanks. But this is not to be confused with the test taken for the writing competency exam. This initiative does not take the place of the test, only the portfolio would.

Teshome Abebe, vice president for academic affairs, will present the initiatives to the General Education Assessment Committee and the University Academic Assessment Committee later this week, said Mary Herrington-Perry, assistant vice president for academic affairs.

Perry said the initiatives are still in the works and nothing has been finalized.

The magnetic portfolio does seem to be a simple, workable idea, if it can be funded. Students will see both a better assessment of their writing and an extra \$18 in their pockets.

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

Today's quote

If we cannot end now our differences, at least we can help make the world safe for diversity.

John Fitzgerald Kennedy
35th president of the United States 1917-1963

Buying in to selling out

The following essay won first place in the lower division of the 1998 Cultural Diversity Essay Contest.



Stephanie Isaac
First place

There is a lot of cultural diversity in our society today. Cultural diversity gets a lot of press and most affect on our society. Racial diversity between blacks and whites can show up in occurrences between states, within different parts of a single state, and even within one's own town and school. Most people fail to realize the fact that the challenges and opportunities associated with cultural diversity between blacks and whites but there are also differences within the same race.

Racial diversity between blacks and whites is everywhere. There was racial diversity when our country was first founded and there will always be tensions and differences between these two races. It is very true that there will be discrimination if there is not will to stop it. When I first arrived at Eastern Illinois University, I noticed that all of my roommates were black and that they were from the south side of Chicago. My three roommates asked me where I was from and where I had graduated high school. When I answered that I had graduated from a high school in Iowa, I was immediately excluded from the "group." I was excluded because I had a lot of white friends and I did not necessarily act or talk "black." My roommates assumed that I was a "sell out" because of my geographical location. They assumed that I possessed no African-American culture because of where I lived. They just knew that there were no black people in Iowa. These assumptions were not true as my roommates know now, and I am now included and accepted. All it really took was for my roommates to get to know me and then they were able to realize that I was just like them except I had just come from a different part of the country. It is a fact that if a cultural group feels that a person of their own ethnic group does not act a certain way, that person will be discriminated against by other groups.

Racial diversity is everywhere and racial discrimination and ignorance can occur at any time. It does not have to happen because of differences in geographical location, it can happen right in someone's own town or school. This situation happened to me. I grew up attending my high school, I experienced a lot of things because of what people had assumed about me. The students at my school immediately assumed that I was a really good athlete and that I was a fighter who grew up in the ghetto because I was black. When they asked me what state I was from and I answered Illinois, the students

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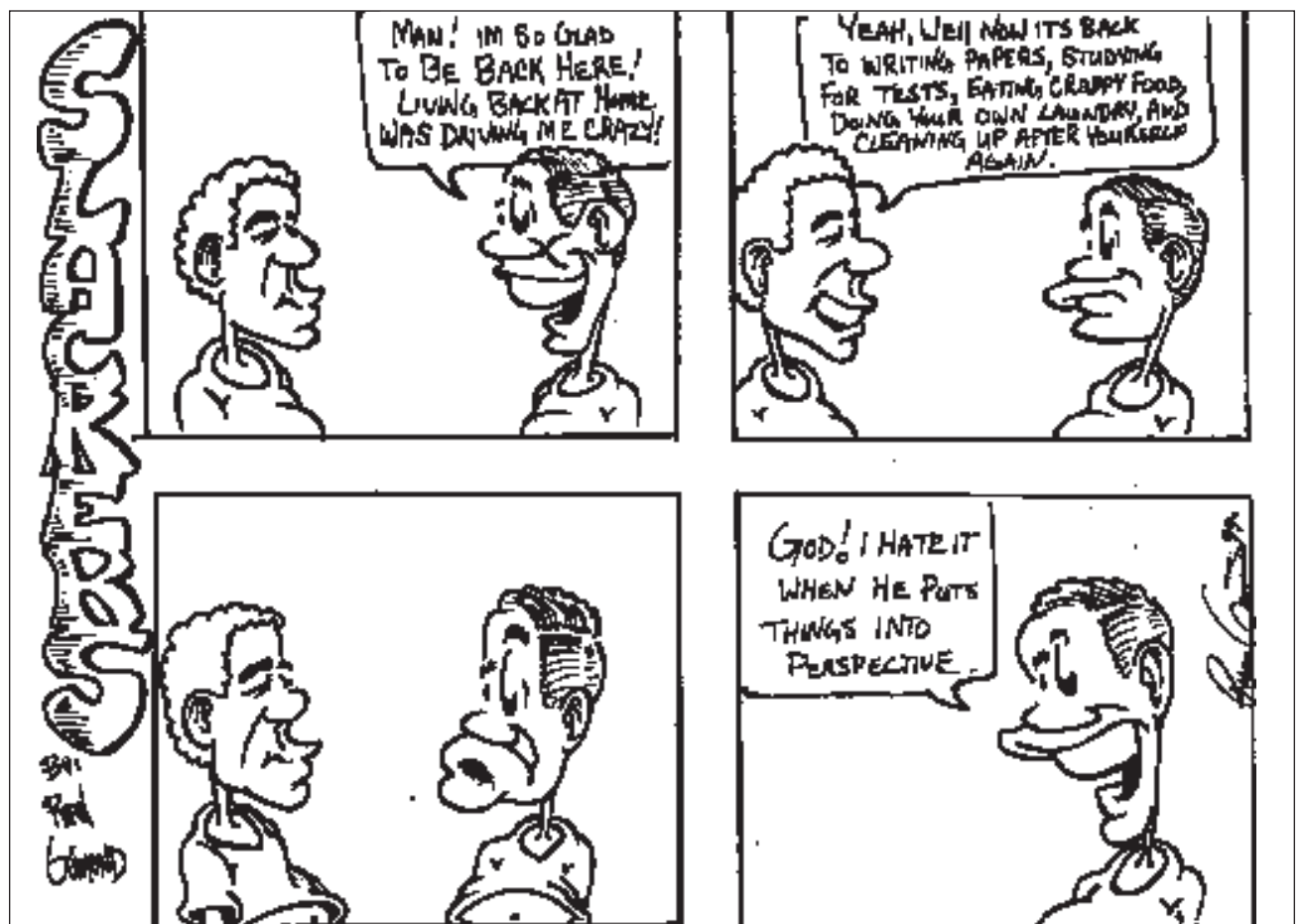
immediately assumed that I was from Chicago. All of these assumptions were not true, but this shows how an uneducated population will assume things about someone or a group that are not true. The assumptions can come from stereotypes, television, and even family beliefs passed down from generations. Diverse assumptions are very evident in our society and I have experienced them first hand both

within my own cultural group and also from other cultural groups. They can be particularly frustrating when they come from either one.

The fact that segregation and discrimination occur within a single racial or cultural group points both to the problem and the solution. It is clear that the problem is not only between blacks and whites but that it is also within a racial or cultural group. Since cultural diversity issues are evident within a given culture, such as the African-American culture, the solution may be to learn to tolerate, accept and even celebrate diversity within the same racial community. The challenge to accept others who do not conform to the expectations of the "majority of the minority" will always be a challenge.

The opportunities of accepting another culture can be very exciting. The opportunities can be to learn more about culture. By learning more about a specific culture, people can learn to make friends of other backgrounds and also do away with some of the stereotypes and assumptions that can come along with the miseducation of a culture. Another opportunity to learning more about a culture is to bring races together. Races do not necessarily have to mix and become one, but they can work together to make our society a better place to live in and to be a part of.

There is a lot of cultural diversity and racial discrimination in our society, and there is definitely a need for the races to work together. There is still too much racial discrimination and the examples can be frightening. Not only is there discrimination between races, but there is also discrimination within the races. There is discrimination because of differences in geographical location and differences locally. Too many people have "bought in" to the idea that being different is "selling out." Even though racial diversity and discrimination will always be a part of our society, it is good to know that people can be educated upon cultures other than their own. Also, people can learn to accept differences in their own culture. The education can bring about opportunities for races to work together in a society that is now so full of stereotypes and assumptions.



Supreme Court not a place for frivolous suits

Public bathrooms, by their very nature, are a place of limited privacy and questionable sanitation.

Is a slight violation of these things worth \$5.4 million? Apparently it is, according to a lawyer who attempted to sue the city of San Diego for not preventing a restroom-related situation that left him "angered, upset, embarrassed, distraught and (feeling) violated."

By this point, you're probably wondering what this horrific situation was. Well, apparently this man's sensitive

nature – and we do mean sensitive – was bruised when women at a Billy Joel-Elton John concert were not stopped from using the men's restroom when the women's was full.

The lawyer, Bob Glaser, said women used the men's restroom while he did. This offended him, apparently, to the degree of \$5.4 million. To top it off, Glaser included vendors in the lawsuit for selling him the beer that made his trip to the bathroom necessary.

Viewpoint

Fortunately, when the case made it to court, it was promptly thrown out by a judge whose sanity is slightly higher than Glaser's. In the realm of frivolous lawsuits, let's face it, this one takes the cake.

Restroom etiquette is not a matter for the Supreme Court, just as the American courts are not part of a get-rich-quick scheme. Let the courts serve their true purpose: keeping our streets - and public restrooms - safe from the real criminals.

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Cultural Diversity: Challenge and Opportunity

The following essay won second place in the lower division of the 1998 Cultural Diversity Essay Contest.

Cultural diversity is a challenging issue that many people have a hard time understanding. It includes being able to respect other people's ethnic backgrounds and allowing these people to have the same treatment that Americans do. Most people would argue that foreigners should not be allowed in our country. Because of this belief, these certain Americans are rude and very disrespectful. They are the reason most people in other countries are not willing to come to the United States. If Americans are informed and taught at an early age that discrimination is wrong, then this issue would probably not be a problem. I was taught at a youthful age that I should treat everyone equal. Because of this understanding that I learned, it was very easy for me to introduce myself to a very special person when the challenge came up. I did not know then that this girl would turn out to be my best friend. This challenge turned out to be a positive experience for me and something that I will always be able to keep with me.

It was a bright sunny day about eight years ago when something happened that changed my life forever. My fifth grade class and I, under the instruction of Mrs. Shanks, were outside playing for our morning recess. It was the same old routine. I, as usual, was deep into a four-square game. This game is played with four people, each standing in their own square. One bounces a ball into someone else's square and if that person does not catch it, they are out. On the other hand, if they do catch it then the person that threw the ball is out of the game. The other games that were usually occurring were tether ball, flag football for the jocks, kick ball, and some of my fellow classmates would just stand around and gossip about other people or what their plans for the weekend were.

I had many friends while I was in the fifth grade. It was basically the same group of friends that I had had all my life, so I really was not looking to make any new ones. Everyone already had their own little clique, and I was very content with mine. After I got knocked out of the four-square competition, I

went to get a drink of water from the fountain. As I was walking back, I saw something different. There was a new girl standing with our teacher. She was tall, slender, and one could tell she was obviously of a different background. She had black hair and her skin color was darker than ours. She was wearing much different clothes. Her skirt, red and black, hung to her ankles. Her shirt was white with colored flowers and it had lace around the bottom of the sleeves. None of my friends nor I ever wore skirts. Also, I noticed that she had what appeared to be handmade necklaces around her neck. They were colorful and on the charms were Chinese writing. They were hanging around her neck by red string.

I guessed that she was really shy because she did not even act like she wanted to talk to us. She just stood there with her eyes wide open — not looking like she was ready to begin her big challenge in this awkward environment. I walked back over to my friends and told them about what was going on. They started teasing her and making fun of her. They were calling her stupid and laughing at the way she looked. It began to bother me because it was almost like she was helpless. She reminded me of a young, beautiful flower trying to grow in a field of tall weeds. She could not even defend herself. I questioned a couple of my friends and asked them to go with me to introduce myself. But no one would go with me. They would have rather made fun of her than try to make new friends.

I am so shy that I had to build up the courage inside to go and talk to her. I left the game and started to walk around on my own. As I was walking, I was thinking about how I was going to approach her, what I was going to say, and what other people were going to think of me. I was always scared about the opinions that others were developing of me. Finally, after a while of walking and thinking, I walked over to this small, precious flower and introduced myself. I told her my name and asked her what her name was. She said in a very shy voice that her name was Mary Peng and that she was from Taiwan.

We got to talking and we hung out for the rest of the recess. We talked about Taiwan and the city where she came from. I gave her an overview of Mattoon — her new



Jennifer Wade
Second place

"If Americans are informed and taught at an early age that discrimination is wrong, then this issue would probably not be a problem."

home. We talked about what we like to do, about our families, and I explained to her how our school worked. She did not make much eye contact with me at first and her voice was very quiet. As the time progressed, she began to look up from the ground and speak in a normal voice. She stood with her hands in front of her, crossed at the waist. Her perfume was very sweet and when I asked her the name, she replied with a Chinese brand. I laughed and that made things easier at the moment. By the end of recess, she was used to me and not shy towards me anymore.

After we returned to the classroom, my friends were harassing me about talking to Mary. It really upset me, and I told them to leave her alone because she really was a nice girl. One thing that was really weird was that Mary would not talk to anyone except me. She would not speak what little English she could to any of the teachers because she was ashamed. If a teacher were to say something to her, Mary would tell me what she wanted to say, and I would answer for her. I would have to, in a sense, translate what she was saying because we grew closer as friends and she trusted me.

I began to teach Mary the American ways of life — the ones I knew anyway. In return, she would tell me about her country and traditions. Mary taught me how things worked in Taiwan. She also showed me exciting activities like how to do origami, how to make friendship bracelets, and how to count to 10 in Chinese. But the most important thing I learned from Mary was not to be prejudiced towards anyone. Just because she was from a different country did not mean that I should be rude to her. We spend tremendous amounts of time together. It helped that she lived only about a mile away from me. I still remember the first time we spent the night at each other's house. When she stayed with me,

she would not even talk to my parents. She was also worried about eating American food. That night we fixed hamburgers and french fries. She was scared to try it at first, but after she ate it, she enjoyed it

very much. Also, that night was the first time she had ever sat on a waterbed. I remember her sitting down on it and as soon as I told her there was water in it, she jumped up very quickly. I then had to explain how a waterbed was set up.

When I stayed at her house, I was really scared because I did not know anything that her family was saying. The language was fast and choppy, but every once in a while, I was able to decipher my name. Mary would have to translate because her parents did not know any English. Also while I stayed with her, I learned that every time one walks into a person's house in Taiwan she is supposed to take off her shoes. I noticed that her family did not wear shoes very much at all. Every time my parents would come to pick me up from their house, Mary's dad would come out of the house with no shoes on, snow or shine, and stop traffic so we could back out of the driveway. They like to be courteous. That was also the first time I ate Chinese food.

When it was time to register for the sixth grade, the principal automatically put Mary in my class because he knew she would feel more comfortable around me. This also happened in junior high. We were involved in all of the same activities, and we even did homework together. There was never a time when one did not see Mary and I together. We would go to the park, take walks and walk her poodle named Snoopy. He was a very unique dog because by the time we entered sixth grade, he could understand Chinese commands. For example, if Mary would say "chibah," the dog would lie down. He also ate Chinese food for all meals.

The summer after eighth grade year, I found out some very bad news. My best friend was going to be moving to California. We tried to get her to change her parents' minds, but there was no hope. She was going to have to move. My

heart was broken. I had never experienced anything so traumatic. I was losing my best friend. I cried for days. How could she leave me like this? We were such great friends. Why was her family making her move? Then I realized that if we just kept in contact, maybe it would not be all that bad. A letter here, a visit there — at least it would be better than not keeping in touch at all.

The day she left, she came to visit me. We took a long walk and laughed about the fun times that we had had together. After we discussed when we were going to call one another and when we were going to visit, the moment became very quiet. We just sat there — staring at one another. We really did not know what to say. After a couple of moments of being silent, we turned and gave each other the biggest hug. We were both crying. We exchanged addresses and vowed that we would stay best friends forever. Her mom then came to pick her up and it was then that I really realized that they were leaving the state.

I watched as they pulled away, waving and crying. When they got to the corner of my street, Mary turned around to look at me through the back window and she smiled and waved. I then saw her wipe her eyes as they pulled onto the highway. I have only seen Mary once since then, but we write each other all of the time. I will never forget her and the joy she brought to my life.

This friendship that I experienced was not only challenging but it was also a great opportunity. I learned many new things that I will keep with me forever. For example during the time I was friends with Mary, I ate Chinese food for the first time I was introduced to Chinese customs, and I learned how to speak in Chinese. Being able to have a friendship like the one I had with Mary is a great opportunity for anyone to have. It not only teaches one about other cultures but it also makes one understand that it is cruel to discriminate against cultures. It is not fair to segregate people just because of their ethnic background. I have accepted the fact that even though people may be of a different culture; it is still very important that we all share the same world without argument. This is a challenge that I have accepted, and it has given me the opportunity of a lifetime.

Lights of Love: learning to accept different religions

The following essay won honorable mention in the lower division of the 1998 Cultural Diversity essay contest.

It was December 25th and our family was sitting next to a beautiful Christmas tree. The children's faces were aglow not only from the Christmas lights circling the tree, but also from the flickering of the eight bright candles symbolizing the eight days of Chanuka sitting on the table in the Menorah. My family members are all Christians with the exception of my Uncle Larry, his wife Gail, and their four children; they are Jewish. America is a country warmly lit with cultural and religious diversity. We have had to learn to work and live together not only as a nation, but in some cases, a family.

Being a Christian means believing in Christ as the Son of God and the only way to salvation. When my aunt married my Uncle Larry, we all had to reevaluate what we had believed to be true. Was their decision to raise the children in the Jewish faith acceptable to us?

At first I looked at it as though it were a clear cut case of right or wrong. It was right to be Christian and wrong to be anything else. Many people make this exact same mistake. They believe what is right for them is right for everyone else as well. But, assuming there is only one way will only lead to trouble. Problems begin when people look at something that is different and think it is the opposite. When I see black, the opposite is white. When I think Christian, the opposite is Jewish. It was OK for me to see the differ-



Lee Keller
Honorable mention

"I wish that everyone could see the similarities that exist between people of different religions and cultures."

ences, but I also needed to look at the similarities.

Before Larry became a part of our family, I knew very little of the Jewish religion. I knew they didn't believe that Jesus was the Son of God and I knew a little of the hate between the Jews and Christians in History. What I didn't know was how much their religion is like my own. My uncle is giving, compas-

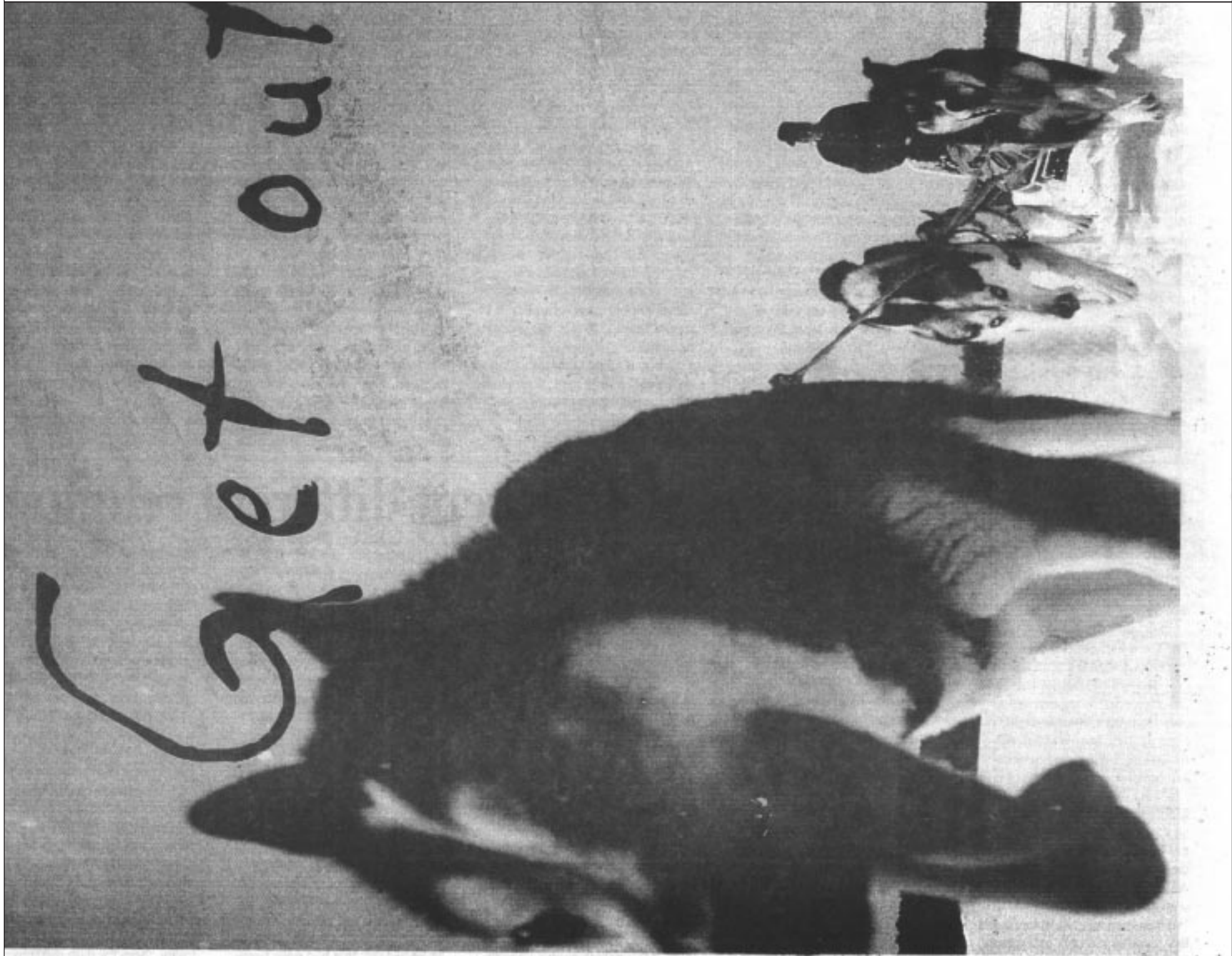
sionate, intelligent and faithful to God. He is raising his children to be good people who treat others the way all people should be treated. The Jewish religion teaches respect, love, generosity and compassion. They are

people with faith and love for their God. Because of my uncle, I have learned not to predetermine what a person or group of people are like.

You might think it would be awkward sharing Christmas with loved ones who don't believe in Christ as the Son of God. But as the candles gave off a warm glow, the awkwardness that had once been

there melted away leaving behind a bond that was made stronger because of our difference. The heat from the fireplace my grandpa had going washed over us and the delicious smell of the roast turkey my grandma was cooking mingled with the traditional Chanuka delicacy my uncle brought.

We have been so fortunate to have this religious diversity within our own family. I wish that everyone could see the similarities that exist between people of different religions and cultures. I didn't have to compromise my own beliefs to understand my uncles. It is possible to understand someone else's beliefs without believing them yourself. We need to stop judging people who are different from us. I hope that we can learn to look for similarities while loving them for their differences.



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Off-campus courses offer convenience

Classes will be offered at 22 locations and will serve about 1,300 students and residents

By **Laura Irvine**
Campus editor

Students interested in picking up extra semester hours will have the opportunity to do so through 150 off-campus classes being offered this semester.

"This program is basically for working adults who are part-time students but any student can take them," said Thomas R. Hawkins, director of off-campus credit programs.

William Hine, dean of the

School of Adult and Continuing Education, said off-campus classes are offered every semester, including intercession. He said 150 courses, including one course offered on the Internet, will be offered this semester at 22 different locations and will serve about 1,300 students.

Hine said 300 on-campus students will be taking off-campus classes this semester.

"We have seen an increase in on-campus students taking off-campus classes," Hine said.

Two of the classes offered in January will be taught at the Sarah Bush Lincoln Health Center and include principles of career development and portfolio development.

Principles of Career Development, a graduate course, begins Jan. 14. The class will meet from 6 to 8:40 p.m. Thursdays through April 29.

Portfolio Development, an undergraduate course also taught at the health center, begins Jan. 20. The class will meet from 6 to 9:40

p.m. Feb. 3 and 17 and March 3. This course has a prerequisite of either three semester hours of career occupations course work, or the student must also be enrolled in a career occupations course.

Courses being offered at Lake Land College include courses in educational guidance, zoology and art. Courses offered at the Kluthe Center in Effingham include journalism, family and consumer sciences, health studies, zoology and physical education.

"There is no difference in how

(the classes) are taught or with credit hours," he said. "There is a difference in terms of convenience and time but they are the same classes."

Individuals interested in taking off-campus courses must be admitted to Eastern to register for courses. There is a \$100 fee to register and registration and payment must be done 48 hours before the class begins.

For more information regarding off-campus courses, students can contact the School of Adult and Continuing Education at 581-5115.

Direction of senate to be examined

Faculty Senate members will discuss senator's letter regarding the senate's efficiency

By **Meghan McMahon**
Administration editor

The Faculty Senate today will discuss a letter written to the senators regarding the direction and efficiency of the senate.

The Faculty Senate will meet at 2 p.m. in the BOG Room of Booth Library.

Senate member Mori Toosi wrote the letter to the senate in hopes of increasing the efficiency of the group.

"Faculty Senate is productive now, but it can be more productive," Toosi said. "Anything can be improved."

Toosi said he was prompted to write the letter because he feels the senate may not always be given

enough time to research issues before discussing them.

"The discussion (of the letter) would be related to the subjects we are discussing at Faculty Senate and the time we are spending on each subject," he said.

Toosi said he also hopes a research committee can be added to the senate's standing committees to "collect and gather data" on issues related to the university.

In other business, the senate may discuss the possibility of a forum on departmental mergers, said Faculty Senate Chair James Tidwell.

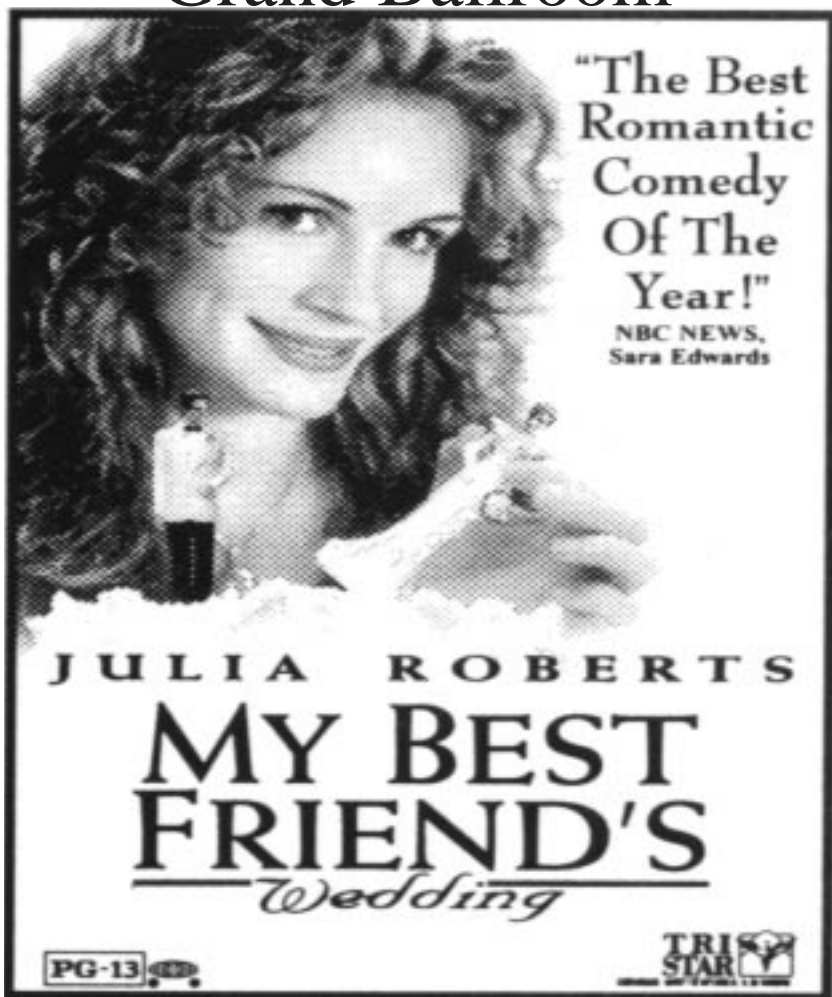
Tidwell said the senate may also hear a report from the election committee regarding bylaws for elections.



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Eric Thornburg, a freshman business major, locks up his bike Monday afternoon outside McAfee Gymnasium. He was going to pick up a copy of his schedule for this semester. Students braved the cold weather Monday as highs only reached in the low 20s. Temperatures are expected to reach the 40s by the weekend.

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Clinton preparing for address

Show will go on, with appeal to Clinton's fellow baby boomers

WASHINGTON (AP) - On one level, the state of the union is a breeze. "In a sentence, here's how I assess our present condition: America is working again," President Clinton says. Capitalize the letters - as in, State of the Union - and things get complicated.

With official Washington tied up in knots over Clinton's impeachment trial, some in Congress have called for a postponement of his annual prime-time speech to a joint session of the House and Senate. But the congressional leadership has not officially asked Clinton to put it off.

White House aides are emphatic that the show will go on Jan. 19 even though that is the day Clinton's lawyers are scheduled to open his defense in the Senate trial on charges stemming from the Monica Lewinsky affair. Senate Minority Leader Tom Daschle, D-S.D., said Sunday that Clinton should give the address, even though it may be "uncomfortable."

Many of the president's political advisers view the speech as an immensely important opportunity to convince

Americans that he can still lead. A high job approval rating is his best defense against a Senate conviction, they say, and Clinton's poll ratings generally improve after State of the Union addresses.

"Our objective is to show continued vitality and energy," said White House deputy chief of staff Maria Echaveste. "We have a lot of work to do."

Over the weekend, Clinton scribbled a 20-30 page, double-spaced second draft of the speech. Another revised draft or two, and he will begin rehearsing in the White House family theater.

Whether Clinton directly addresses the Lewinsky matter when he faces lawmakers and TV cameras in the House chamber is largely a personal decision and "one that most likely will be put off until the end," press secretary Joe Lockhart said.

The president didn't mention the scandal last year, days after it surfaced, and his poll numbers jumped.

Also on hold for now is how specific Clinton will get on Social Security reform. One top adviser, speaking on condition of anonymity, said the White

House is struggling with how to progress beyond last year's clarion call to "Save Social Security first," without boxing Clinton in on details not yet weighed by congressional Democrats.

"We want to move the ball forward a little without making anyone feel they've been left behind," this adviser said.

The president has been very publicly working out the rhetoric and policy of the speech.

To the Democratic Leadership Council, he spoke of a "Third Way" alternative to the old, ideological lines of conservatives and liberals.

Addressing the Detroit Economic Club last Friday, he tested the catch phrase "American economic renaissance," which echoed of the "New Covenant" from his 1995 State of the Union address.

The sound bite from Clinton's Jan. 6 celebration of a \$76 billion surplus - "We can say the era of big deficits is over!" - rang like the headlines from his 1996 State of the Union when he proclaimed, "The era of big government is over."

world inbrief

Albright says no to clemency for convicted spy

WASHINGTON - Secretary of State Madeleine Albright tells President Clinton that there is no diplomatic reason to grant clemency to convicted spy Jonathan Pollard, as Israel has demanded.

Clinton asked key national security agencies for their recommendations by Monday, and Albright's position, combined with the opposition of the CIA, Pentagon and FBI, could seal Pollard's fate.

NYC smut, strip club crackdown survives Supreme Court challenge

WASHINGTON - New York City's crackdown on strip clubs and smut shops in Times Square survives a Supreme Court challenge.

The justices reject an appeal in which X-rated businesses and their patrons argued that their free-speech rights are getting trampled.

Arafat murky on statehood issue

JERUSALEM - Presidents, foreign ministers and diplomats have pleaded with Yasser Arafat not to declare an independent Palestinian state on May 4, fearing it will spark violence and hurt the Palestinians' chances for real independence.

Arafat's response for now is to leave everyone guessing about what he has in mind.

Aide to Kosovo Albanian leader shot; soldiers held hostage

PRISTINA, Yugoslavia - An aide to Kosovo's top ethnic Albanian leader was assassinated outside his home Monday, hours after hard-line Yugoslav President Slobodan Milosevic set a deadline for rebels holding eight Yugoslav soldiers hostage.

Presidential aides seem united in opposing clemency

WASHINGTON - President Clinton's senior national security aides appear united in opposing Israel's request for clemency for Jonathan Pollard, the former U.S. Navy intelligence official who spied for Israel in the 1980s and is now serving a life sentence.

Murder charges dropped against students blamed for dormitory fire

MURRAY, Ky. (AP) - Prosecutors dropped murder and other felony charges Monday against all seven people accused in a fatal college dormitory fire that was originally blamed on hazing by members of a rugby club.

Prosecutor Mike Ward gave no explanation when he asked a judge to dismiss the charges, but he and other investigators had said last week that there might be a new suspect in the blaze Sept. 18 at Murray State University.

The fire killed 19-year-old Michael Minger of Niceville, Fla., and seriously injured a second student.

"I know we got blamed for something we didn't do," said John Haney, 20.

After Monday's hearing, Ward declined to be specific about his reasons for dropping the charges, saying only that an individual who is not charged, "did some things that put a monkey wrench in our case." He would not elaborate.

Law enforcement officials initially said they believed that members of the campus rugby club set the fire as a hazing prank.

All seven defendants either belonged to the club or

knew some of its members, and five of them were Murray students.

None of the defendants were in jail as of Monday. The only one charged with murder, Fred McGrath, 23, had already been freed on bail. He was not a student at the school in rural western Kentucky. The other felony charges against the defendants included arson, assault and complicity.

Four still face misdemeanor charges of falsely reporting a fire, stemming from telephone calls made before the blaze. Defense attorneys had maintained that the prank calls were a coincidence and not evidence of any involvement in the arson.

Mike Levine said angrily that his 21-year-old son, Brian, never should have been charged because there never was any evidence linking him to the fire. "It's been a witch hunt from the word 'go,'" the elder Levine said.

"I would like an apology, but I don't see it coming," said 20-year-old Lana Phelps, who had been charged with conspiracy to commit arson, assault and wanton endangerment. "I don't see it coming at all."

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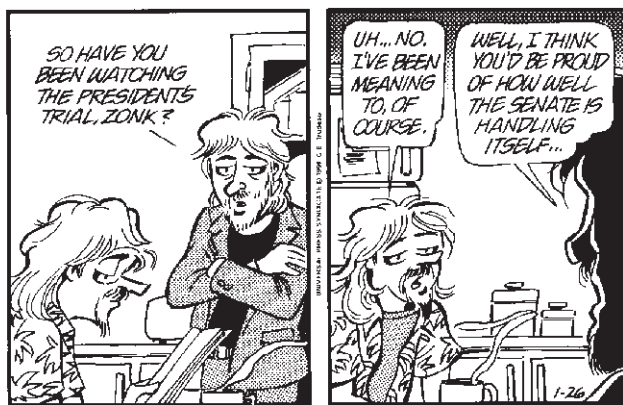
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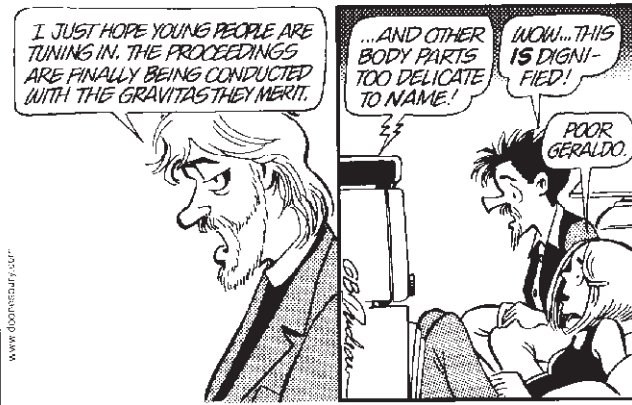
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Women hope homestand can stop skid

By Kristin Rojek
Staff writer

With the next five games for the women's basketball team at Lantz Gym, the Panthers (3-10) will be given a chance to improve their 1-5 Ohio Valley Conference record as they face Tennessee State tonight.

Despite Eastern's 77-60 loss to the Tigers last month, head coach John Klein is hoping for a different kind of game that will add another win to the season.

"We are very anxious for the game, but we need to do a better job defensively," he said.

Tennessee State has a balanced team because many of their players have the ability to score.

Two seniors, Cari Hassell and Schronda Moore, are returning conference leaders in scoring from last season. Hassell was the leading scorer for the Tigers (23 points) in the first game between the two schools.

With Eastern junior center Leah Aldrich being the leading scorer in the OVC, many teams will put their defense on Aldrich and Klein is looking to take advantage of that.

"Other players need to capitalize by scoring and establishing an inside game with Leah because the teams will have their defense on Leah," Klein said.

Although Eastern is near the bottom of the standings, Klein is still hopeful for a turnaround in the season. By improved play on the court and increased performance while taking care of the ball, Klein believes

this season can be better.

"We certainly want to improve and we need to because we're certainly not satisfied," Klein said.

Sophomore guard Renee Schaul has also noticed that the team needs to eliminate its turnovers. Better passing and working on rebounding is what she, along with teammates, believe will

increase their game.

"We need to meet passes and take care of the ball," Schaul said. "We can't panic."

The Panthers have had several health problems recently that have affected their playing ability, and a few players are still inactive.

Junior forward Kate Atkinson is still out with a stress fracture, and it will be at least two more weeks until she will return.

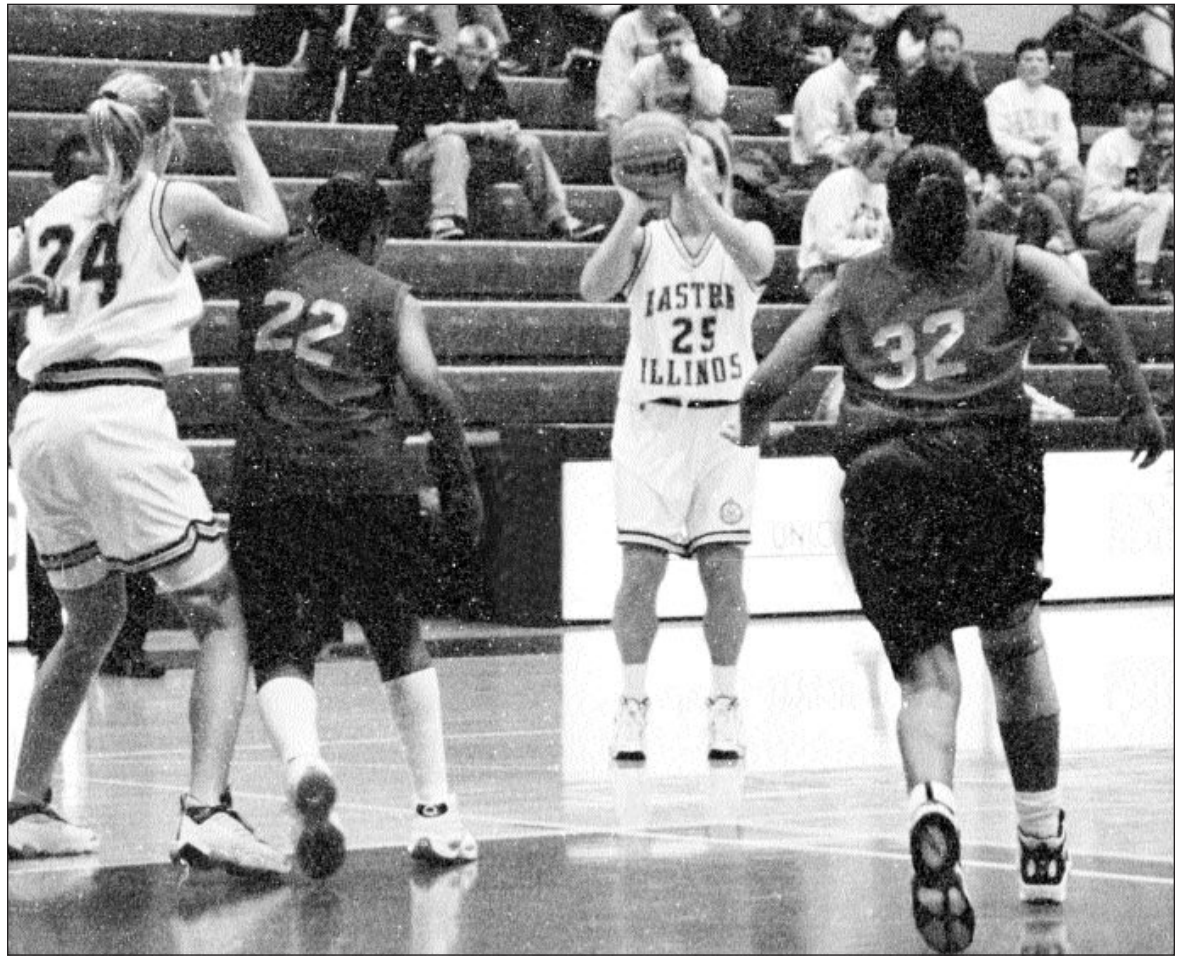
Freshman Brooke Gossett is back practicing after missing the start of the season with mono, but she has been red-shirted and will not play until next season.

Some of the players have had the flu and are not at full strength yet, but because the team won't be traveling until the end of the month, Klein is looking for this to be a time of strength rebuilding within the team.

"When you play at home you're not as run down," Klein said. "Being at home will help continue to get health increased."

Both junior guard Monica Bernat and sophomore guard Lori Moore have stepped up in scoring and Klein hopes more players will continue to do so.

Women's hoops



David Pump / Staff photographer

Eastern guard Monica Bernat takes a shot in an exhibition game earlier this season. The women are currently 3-10 and have the luxury of a five-game homestand starting tonight at 4:45 p.m. against Tennessee State.

"Tennessee played a great game against us last time, but we've been on the road for a while and being home is an advantage for us," Bernat said. "As the team's health improves, our season can only improve."

Power forwards have the ability

to score for the Tigers, and the Panthers are hoping to recognize and eliminate some of their problems they faced when they were defeated by the Tigers earlier in the season.

Klein said they need to recognize when to shoot and improve on their execution of shots and when to hit

the shots.

"We need to play good team defense, and with a balanced pack from Tennessee, we can't focus on one player," Klein said. "We have to take advantage of the double team with the back court to lead us to a win."

Panthers seek better results second time against Tigers

Tennessee State stands in way of Eastern win streak

By David Pump
Staff writer

Eastern prepares for its upcoming four-game home stand, against Ohio Valley Conference opponents, beginning tonight, against rival Tennessee State at 7:05 p.m. at Lantz Gymnasium.

"It is one game at a time," Eastern coach Rick Samuels said. "Tennessee State, from top to bottom, has the best talent in the league."

The Panthers (9-7, 4-2) lost 67-59 to the Tigers (6-6, 3-2) on the road Dec. 3, giving Eastern its first conference loss of the season.

Tiger forward Jason Johnson presented a problem for the Panthers, posting a double-double (16 points, 19 rebounds) in the teams' first meeting, but Jamie Roberts is leading the conference in scoring at 20.8 points per game.

Marc Polite (19 points) and Kyle Hill (17 points) had the majority of Eastern's offense

against an aggressive Tiger defense. Panther guard Jack Owens was held to three points and shot 0-for-10 from the field in the first meeting, but has been shooting better lately.

Eastern has had problems against physical teams this season like Illinois State and Tennessee State.

"Their big kids were tough for us physically, and our three perimeter kids had a rough night," Samuels said of the contest at Illinois State. "We need to hold (teams like Illinois State) to respectable numbers."

One player that has caused a problem for Eastern was the Tigers' Johnson. The senior had a presence on the boards at both ends of the court for Tennessee State in the first game, posting 11 offensive rebounds and eight defensive rebounds.

The Panthers are looking to redeem themselves at Lantz



Men's hoops

against the Tigers after being upset by Tennessee State 84-79 last season in the conference tournament.

Eastern is currently on a four-game winning streak, but have had close encounters against Morehead State (86-82) at home, Tennessee Tech (68-63) and Middle Tennessee (75-73) on the Panthers' most recent road trip.

"I hope we continue to get better, but we are going to play in a lot of close games," Samuels said. "We would like to be able to keep leads, but it is nice to have the lead and to hold on."

For the Panthers to be successful Samuels said it will come down to his players' shooting percentage and their ability to apply pressure on the defensive end of the court.

"If our shooting percentage continues to improve and we continue to play defense reasonably well," Samuels said, "we should

national sports inbrief

Schottenheimer quits as Chiefs coach

Marty Schottenheimer quit as coach of the Kansas City Chiefs Monday following a season in which his team was one of the NFL's biggest disappointments.

"After 10 years it's time to give someone else an opportunity to implement their plan," he said. "I've decided to take a break, to take some time and relax."

The announcement, which had been widely speculated since Sunday, followed Schottenheimer's first losing season as an NFL coach, in which the Chiefs finished 7-9 and missed the playoffs.

Schottenheimer had a franchise-record winning percentage of .636 (101-58-1) in 10 seasons in Kansas City, but the past season was especially disheartening.

"I fully understand and respect Marty's decision to step

away," Chief president and general manager Carl Peterson said. Schottenheimer said his resignation had nothing to do with marital problems, calling the rumors "absolutely false and untrue."

NCAA mulls cost of antitrust lawsuit

The NCAA is trying to distribute the cost among its schools of the more than \$67 million it must pay in an antitrust suit regarding coaches' earnings.

"The NCAA is healthy and continues to be solvent and will get through this," Graham Spanier, chairman of the NCAA Division I board of directors, said Monday. "But there is no question that the legal fees and the potential settlement cost of this lawsuit poses a significant challenge for all of us."

A U.S. District Court jury in Kansas City, Kan., last May awarded \$67 million in damages to about 1,900 entry-level "restricted earnings coaches" in an antitrust lawsuit against the NCAA.

The court ruled the NCAA acted unlawfully in capping salaries of entry-level coaches at \$16,000 annually.

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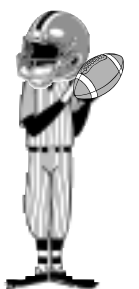
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EIU CALENDAR

Today
 4:45 p.m. - Women's basketball vs. Tennessee State (Lantz Gym)
 7:05 p.m. - Men's basketball vs. Tennessee State (Lantz Gym)

Wednesday
 No scheduled events.

NFL

Playoffs At A Glance
Wild Cards
 Saturday, Jan. 2
 Miami 24, Buffalo 17
 Arizona 20, Dallas 7

Sunday, Jan. 3
 Jacksonville 25, New England 10
 San Francisco 30, Green Bay 27

Divisional Playoffs
 Saturday

Atlanta 20, San Francisco 18
 Denver 38, Miami 3

Sunday
 New York Jets 34, Jacksonville 24
 Minnesota 41, Arizona 21

Conference Championships
 Sunday, Jan. 17

Atlanta at Minnesota, 12:35 p.m. (FOX)
 New York Jets at Denver, 4:05 p.m. (CBS)

Super Bowl
 Sunday, Jan. 31
 At Miami

Conference champions, 6:18 p.m. (FOX)

Pro Bowl
 Sunday, Feb. 7
 At Honolulu

AFC vs. NFC, TBA

NHL

EASTERN CONFERENCE
 Atlantic Division

Team	Pts	GF	GA
Philadelphia	52	120	82
New Jersey	49	116	104
Pittsburgh	45	107	94
N.Y. Rangers	39	110	111
N.Y. Islanders	29	96	124

Northwest Division

Team	Pts	GF	GA
Ottawa	49	124	91
Toronto	48	129	114
*Buffalo	48	109	77
Boston	44	104	89
Montreal	37	95	108

Southeast Division

Team	Pts	GF	GA
Carolina	43	106	101
Florida	38	97	102
Washington	33	92	97
Tampa Bay	21	83	142

WESTERN CONFERENCE
 Central Division

Team	Pts	GF	GA
Detroit	42	120	110
St. Louis	39	103	96
Nashville	32	94	129
Chicago	28	89	132

Northwest Division

Team	Pts	GF	GA
Colorado	40	99	106
Edmonton	37	114	109
Vancouver	33	106	123

Team	Pts	GF	GA
Dallas	56	113	74
*Phoenix	47	99	76
Anaheim	40	100	93
*Los Angeles	34	96	104
*San Jose	34	87	95

*Late games not included
 Monday's Results

Montreal 3, St. Louis 1
 Washington 4, N.Y. Islanders 3
 Ottawa 4, N.J. Devils 2

Philadelphia 8, Nashville 0
 *Buffalo at Phoenix

*Los Angeles at San Jose
 Today's Games

Toronto at Tampa Bay, 7:05 p.m.
 Montreal at Detroit, 7:30 p.m.
 Chicago at Colorado, 9 p.m.
 Dallas at Edmonton, 9 p.m.

COLLEGE

Men's Basketball

Monday's results

Chattanooga 85, E. Tenn. St. 74
 Virginia Military 91, W. Carolina 72
 St. John's 71, Georgetown 69
 Charleston Southern 84, Elon 79
 Butler 67, Illinois-Chicago 62
 Valparaiso 71, Belmont 68

Ohio Valley Conference

Standings

Team	Conf.	Overall
Southeast Missouri	6-0	9-5
Murray State	5-0	13-2
Eastern Illinois	4-2	9-7
Tennessee State	3-2	6-6
Morehead State	3-3	6-8
Austin Peay	2-3	4-8
Middle Tenn.	2-3	4-11
Tennessee Tech	1-4	5-8
Tenn.-Martin	1-4	3-9
Eastern Kentucky	0-6	1-13

Today's games

Tenn. St. at Eastern Illinois, 7:05 p.m.
 Morehead St. at Murray St., 7:30 p.m.
 Austin Peay at SEMO 7:30 p.m.
 E. Kentucky at Tenn.-Martin, 7:30 p.m.
 Middle Tenn. at Tenn. Tech, 8 p.m.

OVC Leaders

SCORING OFFENSE

Team	G	W/L	Pts	Avg/G
1. Murray State	15	13-2	1182	78.8
2. Morehead St.	14	6-8	1076	76.9
3. Tennessee St.	12	6-6	864	72.0
4. Austin Peay	12	4-8	838	69.8
5. Eastern Illinois	16	9-7	1111	69.4
6. SEMO	14	9-5	956	68.3
7. Middle Tenn.	15	4-11	983	65.5
8. E. Kentucky	14	1-13	901	64.4
9. Tenn. Tech	13	5-8	824	63.4
10. Tenn.-Martin	12	3-9	719	59.9

SCORING DEFENSE

Team	G	Pts	Avg/G
1. SEMO	14	875	62.5
2. Murray State	15	988	65.9
3. Tennessee Tech	13	899	69.2
4. Eastern Illinois	16	1108	69.3
5. Tennessee-Martin	12	844	70.3
6. Middle Tennessee	15	1065	71.0
7. Tennessee State	12	890	74.2
8. Austin Peay	12	916	76.3
9. Morehead State	14	1104	78.9
10. Eastern Kentucky	14	1145	81.8

SCORING

Player-Team G Pts Avg/G
 1. Jamie Roberts-TSU 12 250 20.8
 2. Erik Brown-MORE 14 281 20.1
 3. Trenton Hassell-APSU 12 228 19.0
 4. Isaac Spencer-MUR 15 245 16.3
5. Kyle Hill-EIU 16 254 15.9

REBOUNDING

Player-Team REBS Avg/G
 1. Bud Eley-SEMO 138 9.9
 2. Trenton Hassell-APSU 117 9.8
 3. Ryan DeMichael-UTM 112 9.3
 4. Jason Johnson-TSU 105 8.8
 5. Corey Williams-TSU 91 7.9

ASSISTS

Player-Team G Ass. Avg/G
 1. Aubrey Reese-MUR 15 79 5.27
2. Jack Owens-EIU 16 80 5.00
 3. Darius Acuff-EKU 14 66 4.71
 4. R. Duncan-MTSU 15 70 4.67
 5. Andrae Betts-UTM 12 55 4.58

STEALS

Player-Team G Steals Avg/G
 1. R. Duncan-MTSU 15 37 2.47
 2. Joe Crumby-UTM 9 21 2.33
 3. R. DeMichael-UTM 12 27 2.25
 4. Andrae Betts-UTM 12 26 2.17
 5. Aubrey Reese-MUR 15 29 1.93

Big Ten

Team	Conf.	Overall
Iowa	3	0 1,000 11 1 .917
Ohio St.	3	0 1,000 13 3 .813
Purdue	1	1 500 13 3 .813
Northwestern	2	1 667 9 3 .750
Minnesota	1	1 500 10 2 .833
Michigan St.	1	1 500 12 4 .750
Michigan	2	2 500 8 9 .471
Wisconsin	2	2 500 14 3 .764
Indiana	1	3 250 14 5 .737
Penn St.	1	3 250 9 5 .643
Illinois	0	3 000 8 7 .533

Today's Game

Iowa at Ohio State
 Wednesday's Games

Northwestern at Indiana
 Minnesota at Michigan State
 Wisconsin at Penn State
 Illinois at Purdue

Women's Basketball

Monday's results

Florida 89, Central Florida 59
 Virginia 60, N. Carolina St. 46
 Duke 74, Wake Forest 59
 Penn State 90, Michigan State 66

Ohio Valley Conference

Standings

Team	Conf.	Overall
Tennessee-Martin	4-1	9-4
Middle Tenn. St.	4-1	8-5
Tennessee Tech	4-1	8-5
SE Missouri St.	4-2	9-4
Eastern Ky.	4-2	7-6
Tennessee St.	2-3	6-6
Austin Peay	2-3	3-10
Murray St.	1-4	2-11
Eastern Illinois	1-5	3-10
Morehead St.	1-5	3-10

Tuesday's Games

Tenn. St. at Eastern, 4:45 p.m.
 Morehead St. at Murray St., 5:30 p.m.
 Austin Peay at SEMO, 5:30 p.m.
 E. Kentucky at Tenn.-Martin, 5:30 p.m.
 Middle Tenn. at Tenn. Tech, 5:45 p.m.

OVC Leaders

SCORING OFFENSE

Team	G	W/L	Pts	Avg/G
1. Tenn.-Martin	13	9-4	1001	77.0

SCORING

2.E. Kentucky 13 7-6 987 75.9
 3.Middle Tenn. 13 8-5 975 75.0
 4.SEMO 13 9-4 974 74.9
 5.Tenn. Tech 13 8-5 922 70.9
 6.Morehead St 13 3-10 908 69.8
 7.Tenn. State 12 6-6 817 68.1
 8.Murray State 13 2-11 836 64.3
9. Eastern Illinois 13 3-10 836 64.3
 10.Austin Peay 13 3-10 828 63.7

SCORING DEFENSE

Team G Pts Avg/G
 1.Southeast Missouri 13 856 65.8
 2.Tennessee State 12 800 66.7
 3.Tennessee Tech 13 894 68.8
 4.Murray State 13 915 70.4
 5.Tennessee-Martin 13 924 71.1
 6.Middle Tennessee 13 937 72.1
 7.Austin Peay 13 943 72.5
 8.Morehead State 13 1001 77.0
9. Eastern Illinois 13 1008 77.5
 10. Eastern Kentucky 13 1058 81.4

REBOUNDING

Player-Team G TOT Avg/G
 1.D. Watts-MUR 13 106 8.2
 2.M. Gadsom-MUR 12 93 7.8
 3.Jennifer King-EKU 13 98 7.5
 4.A. Suffren-APSU 13 96 7.4
 5.P. Iverson-SEMO 13 95 7.3

ASSISTS

Player-Team G Ass. Avg/G
 1.T. Fields-UTM 11 59 5.36
 2.H. Bates-MUR 13 66 5.08
3.Lorie Moore-EIU 13 55 4.23
 4.H. Daulton-MOR 13 45 3.46
 5.K. Stepey-TSU 12 41 3.42

STEALS

Player-Team G Steals Avg/G
 1.H. Bates-MUR 13 43 3.31
 2.J. McClure-MTSU 13 28 2.59
 3.Tessa Fields-UTM 11 28 2.55
 4.H. Daulton-MOR 13 32 2.46
 4. A. Suffren-APSU 13 32 2.46

TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL

American League
CLEVELAND INDIANS - Signed RHP Jim Brower and C Angelo Encarnacion to minor-league contracts.
TAMPA BAY DEVIL RAYS - Named Doug Witt an area scouting supervisor.

National League

CINCINNATI REDS - Agreed to terms with C Brian Johnson on a one-year contract.
PITTSBURGH PIRATES - Agreed to terms on one-year contracts with LHP Jeff Tabaka, RHP Marc Wilkins, and RHP Mike Williams.

New York-Penn League
JAMESTOWN JAMMERS - Named Norma Marvell assistant general manager.

Western League

GRAND FORKS CHANNEL CATS - Signed OF Aaron Larsen.
WAUSAU WOODCHUCKS - Signed RHP Andy Dooley.

Western League
CHICO HEAT - Signed OF-DH Terrell Hansen to a one-year contract.
SACRAMENTO STEELHEADS - Signed 1B Wayne Weirheimer, OF Darontaye Hollins, and C Jeff Brown.

FOOTBALL

National Football League

GREEN BAY PACKERS - Named Ray Rhodes coach.
KANSAS CITY CHIEFS - Announced the resignation of Marty Schottenheimer, coach.
PHILADELPHIA EAGLES - Named Andy Reid coach.

Canadian Football League

CALGARY STAMPEDERS - Announced P Tony Martino has signed a 1999 contract with the Philadelphia Eagles. Re-signed DL Jeff Traversy.

HOCKEY

National Hockey League
MONTREAL CANADIENS - Assigned G Philippe DeRouville to Utah of the IHL.
TORONTO MAPLE LEAFS - Recalled G Francis Larivee from Chicago of the IHL.

TENNIS

Women's Tennis Association
WTA - Announced the promotions of Peachy Kellmeyer to senior vice president, Blair Capleto to chief financial officer, and Joe Favorito to vice president of communications and development.

COLLEGE

BAYLOR - Named Greg Meyer offensive coordinator.
CALIFORNIA - Named Ed White offensive line coach.
EASTERN KENTUCKY - Announced F Charles Thomas is giving up basketball because of a chronic back injury.
JACKSONVILLE STATE - Named Mike Bugar defensive coordinator and Greg Chatham secondary coach.

ON THIS DAY

1951 - Ezzard Charles knocks out Lee Oma in the 10th round at Madison Square Garden in New York to retain the heavyweight title.

1958 - Dolph Schayes of the Syracuse Nationals sets an NBA record for career points in a 135-109 victory over the Detroit Pistons. Schayes scores 23 points to bring his career mark to 11,770, breaking the record of 11,764 held by George Mikan.

1958 - The NCAA rules committee makes the first change in football scoring rules since 1912 by adding the two-point conversion.

1960 - Syracuse's Dolph Schayes becomes the first player in NBA history to score 15,000 career points.

1969 - New York Jets quarterback Joe Namath "guarantees" a victory before the game against the 17-point favorite Baltimore Colts, then leads the AFL to its first Super Bowl victory, a 16-7 triumph over a Baltimore team that had lost only once in 16 games all season.

1975 - The Pittsburgh Steelers totally shut down Minnesota's offense, handing the Vikings their third Super Bowl defeat, 16-6. Franco Harris, the game's MVP, sets a Super Bowl rushing record with 158 yards.

1986 - Chicago's Denis Savard ties an NHL record for the fastest goal to start a period by scoring four seconds into the third period of the Blackhawks' 4-2 victory over the Hartford Whalers.

Kaye

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"I won't be as nervous since I've been with the Pacers and worked with the Bulls," Kaye said. "Now when I stand next to multi-millionaires, I realize that they're human beings also."

He said the lockout agreement both benefited and had a bad effect on undrafted players coming out of college, such as himself. Kaye said it hurt him because the season should have started a long time ago and he

was itching to play.

Kaye finished his four-year career at Eastern No. 11 in career scoring with 1,351 points, with 570 points in his final season at Eastern. He was also the runner-up in the Ohio Valley Conference Player of the Year voting in 1998.

Kaye was used more as a shooting guard for the Panthers, but with a little work, Samuels said Kaye could be transformed into a point guard.

"He's got good individual skills and is good in the open court," Samuels said. "It might take a little time, but he has the skills to become a point guard."

Stadium

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expanded to somewhere between 3,400-3,600 square feet.

Along with the expansion of the weight room, the athletic department also has plans to hire a full-time strength trainer.

After the new weight room is built, the current weight room will be replaced by a team meeting room that will be subdivided into four separate rooms.

In order to accommodate the larger weight room and new meet-

ing rooms, the concession stands will have to be moved.

The football coaches can also expect some changes to their offices. When the renovations are complete, each coach will have a separate office and can expect new neighbors. The renovation plans call for the soccer, golf and baseball offices to move into the stadium.

Until the improvements have been completed, all offices housed in the stadium will have to be relocated. Mobile trailers will be set up on the nearby tennis courts and serve as temporary facilities for the coaches.

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Stadium project finalized

Work at O'Brien set to begin later this week

Editor's note: this is the first in a three-part series looking at the upgrade of the Eastern athletic facilities.

By Kyle Bauer
Associate sports editor

If everything goes as planned, the Panthers will have a new den to play in next football season.

Plans to expand the area under O'Brien Stadium by 4,000 square feet will get underway Friday.

This is the first part of a four-phase plan by the Athletic Department to renovate the stadium and make improvements to other athletic facilities.

The \$1.69 million bid, which includes a 10 percent contingency fee in the event that unexpected costs arise during construction, was approved by Eastern's Board of Trustees.

"This is an exciting project," Assistant Athletic Director John Smith said. "It has been well received by the community and the people on campus."

The athletic department has been raising money for the project through the "Reach for the 20th Century" campaign. Additional money raised by the campaign will be used for a four-phase plan that will benefit other athletic facilities.

The renovations to O'Brien Stadium will start with the removal of asbestos from the ceilings of what is now the football coaches' offices and workers will then move on to major renovations.

The first on the list of those major improvements will be the construction of a new team weight room. The new facility will be

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(Sacramento) King of the Hill?

Kaye confident about his chance to realize NBA dream

By Matt Wilson
Staff writer

After turning down offers to play overseas and going through summer workouts with the Indiana Pacers, former Eastern basketball guard Rick Kaye is shifting his attention out west.

With the NBA lockout over, Kaye is preparing to attend the Sacramento Kings camp beginning next week.

"My agent said they were looking for guards and it was looking very positive for me to go to the camp," Kaye said. "I have the same agent as Toni Kukoc and I'm planning to go to Sacramento next week, so this whole week I'm shooting and running sprints."

To prepare himself, Kaye spent Monday working out at the Chicago Bulls' Berto Center in Deerfield. Monday was the first day players could work out at any of the team training facilities, but coaches were not allowed to attend the workout. Instead of coaches, workouts were supervised by the teams' trainer and/or the strength and conditioning coach.

Kaye knows that just because he was invited to the Kings' camp, that does not mean he's guaranteed a final spot on the roster.

"I still have to prove myself because I'm a kid from a small school," the Elk Grove native said.

Panther head coach Rick Samuels said since Kaye attended Eastern, it might hurt his chances of making it in the NBA.

"Name recognition does have something to do with it, and also the camps are going to be shortened so they (coaches) will be less likely to look at somebody with potential," Samuels said.

Kaye said that was the hardest part about working out with the Pacers.

"That's why I'm glad I have a high-profile agent," Kaye said. "When I had the opportunities with the Pacers, nobody knew me at the beginning. But by the end, all the coaches were coming up to

me and telling me what a great job I was doing. I just let my play speak for itself."

One of the terms of the agreement the players and owners came to was that there is only going to be two exhibition games before the 50-game schedule. Now Kaye will have even less time to prove he's worthy to play pro basketball.

If he does earn a roster spot with Sacramento, or any other NBA team, Kaye will be guaranteed the league minimum of \$285,000 a year.

But all hope is not lost for Kaye, as five former Eastern players have been able to make it to the NBA. The most recent being Jay Taylor, who was signed by the New Jersey Nets as a free agent in 1989.

The highest drafted player to come out of Eastern was Kevin Duckworth, who was picked in the second round as the 33rd overall pick in 1986. But Duckworth was not the only Panther to be drafted in 1986, as teammate Jon Collins was picked in the fifth round by the Denver Nuggets that same year.

Samuels said one of the big assets of Kaye's game that will shine at the Kings' camp will be his defense.

"Day in and day out, he was one of our best one-on-one defenders, which is what they play in the NBA," Samuels said.

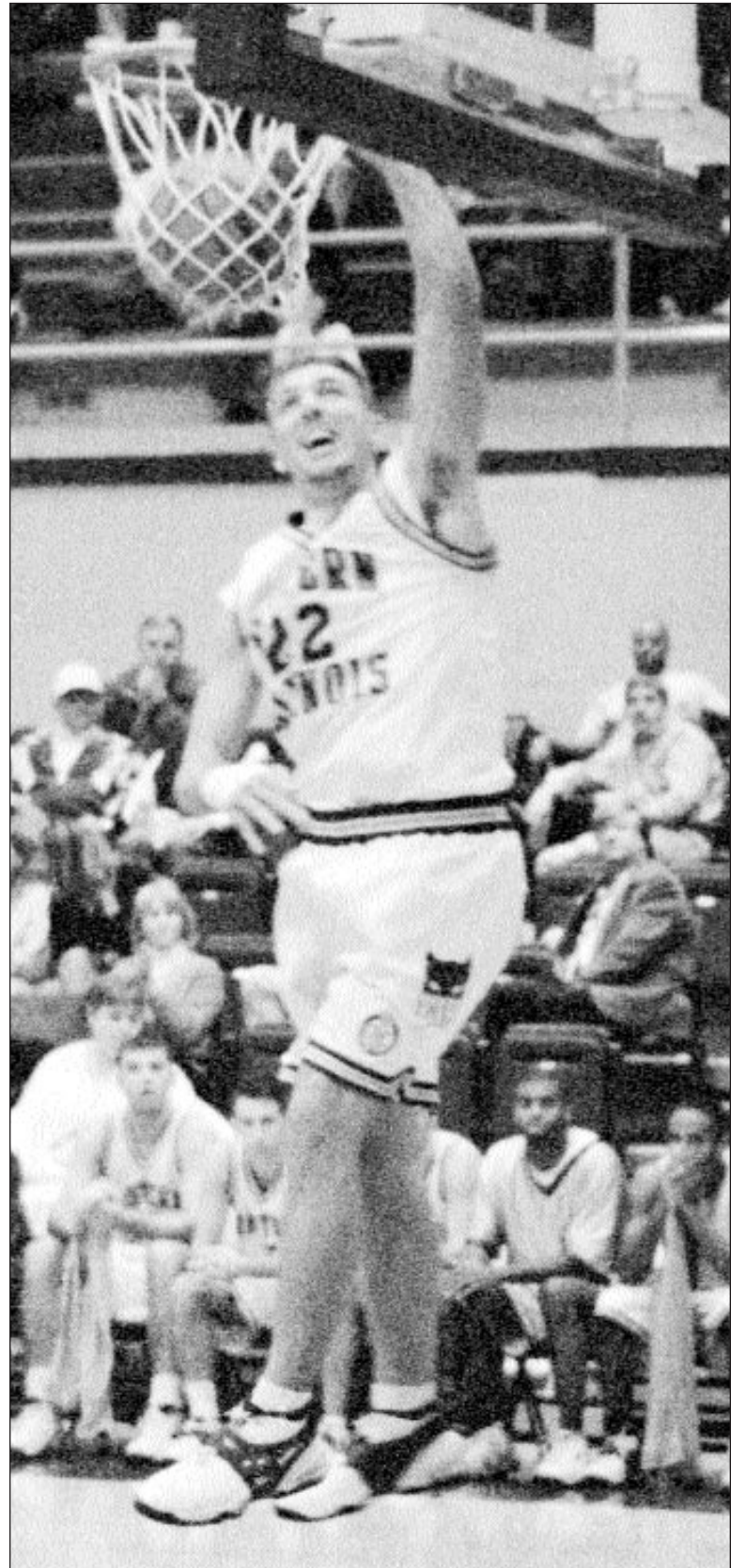
And if it does not work out with the Kings, Kaye said the option to play overseas is always there.

The latest offer to play overseas came on Christmas Day when his agent's assistant offered him a chance to play for the Russian National team in the EURO League.

Before the lockout, Kaye was invited to the Pacers' rookie camp, but he knew his chances were slim with only one or two roster spots open in Indiana.

However, the experience Kaye got from the Pacers will help him as he moves on to other camps.

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File photo

Former Eastern basketball star Rick Kaye dunks the ball in last year's season-opener against Viterbo College. With the lockout over, Kaye likes his chances of making the NBA.

Thank goodness – now they can feed the children

Let's all be thankful the NBA has finally resolved its labor dispute. Finally, Patrick Ewing can feed his kids.

I am glad to hear that Ewing was only thinking of his family during the long, ugly lockout. The pampered superstar was so concerned about his family's well being that he made the comments that 'the players were just trying to feed their kids.'

Apparently it now takes more than \$14 million a year to feed a family. Kind of makes you wonder how you survived all these years, doesn't it?

Shortly after Ewing's comments, Alonzo Mourning came out and publically blamed the lockout on the percentage of black athletes in the league, saying that if the league were predominately white, the lockout never would have occurred.

As hard as it is to top that one, the players still managed to when they decided to play the so-called "charity game". NBA superstars

agreed to get together to play a game and donate a good portion of the proceeds to their favorite charity – the underprivileged players. How nice and thoughtful of them. But one question remains: what exactly is an underprivileged player? Can you really be underprivileged if you are making a five-figure salary?

Throughout the entire ordeal, players continued to insult the fans' intelligence through their words and actions. Now that it is all over the fans are supposed to come cheerfully running back to the game.

If history repeats itself, it will not be that easy. Earning fan support back is a long hard task. Just ask anyone involved in the baseball



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fiasco of a few years ago. Only after a couple of years and an unbelievable season did baseball start to win back fans.

The owners have taken steps to try and get those hardcore fans back immediately, but why would you go back?

Have you already forgotten those millionaires who need more money to feed their kids that have already robbed you of half the season?

Besides, who needs the NBA when the college game is stronger than it has ever been?

In an attempt to bring the fans back, the NBA has arranged free admission to all preseason games and also made 500 seats in every arena available for only \$10.

After paying outrageous prices for nose-bleed seats for so long, this should have been done anyway.

Wait until March Madness comes around and buy a ticket for the tournament games. Eighty dollars will get you a seat for three of four postseason games. What do you think

three tickets to an NBA post season game will cost you?

College sports is the last place that you can find athletes before they make that last great leap to that next level.

Sure, some will argue that college sports has become just as bad as the pro version as of late, but when you really think about it, college sports have a long way to go to catch up to the pros.

College is the last place to find players who play for the love of the game. It is impossible to say that pro athletes play simply for the love of the game when players are making more than the franchise they play for is worth.

If they were really playing for the love of the game then this whole silly mess could have been avoided.

Remember those old Charles Barkley commercials where he said that he didn't want to be anybody's role model? No problem Charles, I don't think you will have too many takers now-a-days.