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City looks at past for new City Manager

◆ Former City Manager, Bill Riebe is the primary candidate for the City Manager position currently filled by Ted Ghibellini

By Holly Henschen
STAFF WRITER

Charleston City Council held a closed-door session Tuesday night, while deciding the reappointment of Bill Riebe as City Manager.

At press time the outcome was not known. If Riebe is not reinstated,

Charleston Chief of Police Ted Ghibellini will continue to act as interim city manager.

Riebe was the city's first manager, elected in 1997 by the city council.

Charleston passed a referendum in that year to move the city's government from the city-commission style to the council-management form.

"The council selects a manager who is delegated substantial responsibility of day-to-day running of the city. The city manager position is equivalent to the chief executive officer of a corporation," said Dr. Richard Wandling, chair of the Political Science Department at Eastern.

Responsibilities of the city manager include "significant powers in areas of personnel management, overall administration processes and government budgeting," Wandling said.

Riebe is a professional engineer, which makes him "like a neurosurgeon in that field," Charleston mayor Dan Coughill said.

"Riebe left the public sector to work as the regional manager for a major water treatment plant corporation. I think everyone on council is very appreciative that

we can get someone of the caliber of Riebe, a proven professional," Coughill said.

Since the resignation of Riebe's successor, Alan Probst, in mid-May, the interim city manager has been handling double duty as both police chief and city manager.

"I've been focusing on personnel situations," said Ghibellini.

As city manager, he said he has hired temporary city workers and permanent ones, as well, to replace retiring employees. Ghibellini meets with the directors of city

departments every other week to make sure "operating status remains constant."

Ghibellini said his chief of police duties have recently included the departmental project of constructing the city's new police training facility.

If Riebe is not elected, a national search by the city council and a consultant

is the next step in finding a new city manager. This is the method recommended by the International City Managers Association.

In this case, Chief Ghibellini will remain the interim city manager.

Mayor Coughill estimates that if Riebe is not re-hired, a new search for a city manager could take four to five months.

"I wonder if the ICMA will count this as our fourth city manager, or back to three?" the mayor wondered.

Coughill said city workers were happier with efficient output and higher morale under the administration of Riebe.

Residence Halls get new furniture

By Kenneth Bauer
VERGE & FEATURE EDITOR

Students returning to Thomas Hall next fall will walk into very different looking rooms than what they left this spring. Thomas Hall is currently undergoing remodeling that will dramatically change the living atmosphere provided to its residents.

Mark Hudson, Director of Campus Housing and Dining Services, said Thomas hall is the first of the residence halls on campus to undergo the change from "a cold concrete and tile atmosphere to a carpeted, warm and friendly atmosphere."

Among the new features, Eastern has begun changing the type of furniture used in its residence halls to "LEGO typed furniture," according to Hudson. "The beds and desks are all the same widths and have tops and bottoms that can be securely stacked with the slip of a few pins. It will allow the students to make the rooms look however they are most comfortable with them."

Refurbished ceilings, new doors, and carpeting are also on the list of new items. Hudson said the cost of cleaning and maintaining carpets is countered by the sound deadening qualities and warming and comfort effects carpeting brings in winter months.

Eastern is purchasing the new furniture from Illinois



Mark Hudson demonstrates the stackability of the "lego-like" furniture, as he shows a bunk loft held securely over two desks. The furniture is held in place three inch pins.

Correctional Industries (ICI). According to Hudson, the university and students benefit from the deal because both the purchaser and seller are state entities and therefore are able to enter into contracts that private businesses would never agree to.

Illinois Correctional Industries is a company ran by the Illinois Department of

Corrections. It allows inmates to build skills usable in mainstream society and is proven to lower repeat offender rates among inmates. Hudson explains there are no downsides for the university, students or taxpayers in this deal.

"The lowest bidders in the private sector were companies located in Michigan. So, it's not like the ICI is getting

business that would have gone to an Illinois company. We are saving everyone money by doing it this way," said Hudson.

Eastern has negotiated a 10 year contract with ICI for the purchase of the new furniture which ICI has agreed to store free of charge for the university until needed.

Canceled classes were necessary

By Avian Carrasquillo
EDITOR IN CHIEF

State-shared budget tensions threatened to wipe-out summer school a few months ago, as Eastern feared it would have to give back eight percent of its budget back to the state. However, when the time for the cuts came, the governor announced that Eastern would only have to give back 2.7 percent of its 2003 budget.

Summer session was salvaged, but some classes had to be canceled.

William Weber, acting associate vice-president for Academic Affairs explained how the Academic Affairs department made the course cuts.

"When it came to monitoring summer enrollment, we made those decisions on which courses to cancel up at the deans level. There was no single criteria in determining whether or not to cancel a course.

Weber said the Academic Affairs office gave some basic enrollment guidelines, such as a suggested number of enrollments for courses to meet so that they could break even and get enough tuition revenue to cover costs.

"Other things we looked at when we considered canceling courses, were course essentials for graduating seniors. If we had an upper level course where three fourths of the students were graduating seniors, we tried not to cancel them, or make sure that those graduating seniors had other options," Weber said.

Weber did not have any details as to the number of courses canceled, but said it did not appear that many more classes were canceled this summer as compared to summers past.



David Barker, Second, stares at the empty classrooms due to the canceled classes because of the budget cuts.

"When it comes to the effects on students, our department chairs have done a wonderful job in contacting the affected students and reworking their schedules. We haven't had any complaints come to this office regarding cancellations. That makes me think that the number of cancellations was, if anything just slight," Weber said.

As for next fall Weber said it looked as if the number of tenured and tenure track faculty will be up slightly from last year, and while numbers aren't final yet, Weber said it looks as though the annual-

ly contracted work force will be close to the same numbers as last year.

For Chelsey Biggs, a junior elementary education transfer student this summer from Southern Illinois University-Edwardsville, course cancellations have been a big inconvenience.

"As a transfer student, I wasn't given the option of signing up for classes before they decided which ones to cut. As a result I was only able to get two of the three classes I really needed. That means I'm a class behind where I need to

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Abercrombie faces discrimination suit

SAN FRANCISCO - Abercrombie & Fitch, the clothing chain that promotes a "casual classic American" look, has been hit with a discrimination lawsuit accusing it of cultivating an overwhelmingly white sales force.

When it does hire minorities, it channels them to stock room and overnight jobs, says the lawsuit, which seeks certification as a class action.

The lawsuit, filed Monday by nine Hispanic and Asian plaintiffs, alleges that Abercrombie discriminates against blacks, Hispanics and Asians. It says company policy requires all sales people to exhibit an all-white "A&F look."

Catalogs and store promotional materials display models who are mostly white, according to the lawsuit.

"If you look at the material they put out, they are cultivating an all-white look," said Thomas Saenz, vice president of litigation at the Mexican American Legal Defense

and Educational Fund, one of the attorneys for the nine Hispanic and Asian plaintiffs. "It is difficult to understand why, given that their target age demographic is even more heavily minority than the rest of the population."

The company, based in New Albany, Ohio, targets college students with its upscale casual clothing. Its Web site says it features clothing "that compliments the casual classic American lifestyle." It has about 600 stores and some 22,000 employees nationwide.

Spokesman Tom Lennox said Tuesday that Abercrombie had not received a copy of the lawsuit and he declined to comment on its specifics, but said the company does not discriminate.

"As a company that prides itself on diversity we are dismayed by the lawsuit and take this matter very seriously," he said. "Abercrombie & Fitch represents American style. America is diverse and we want diversity in our stores."

One of the plaintiffs, Johan Montoya, alleges a Canoga Park store refused to hire him because he is Hispanic, even though he had experience working at another store in the same mall.

"It's one of those things I never thought would happen to me," said Montoya, a student at the University of California at Santa Barbara. "We live in a day and age where discrimination is looked down upon so heavily, it was simply absurd."

The company has been accused of racial insensitivity in the past. Last spring, it removed T-shirts from stores after Asian-Americans complained about depictions of two slant-eyed men in conical hats and the slogan "Wong Brothers Laundry Service — Two Wongs Can Make it White."

The lawsuit was filed by the Mexican American fund with the Asian Pacific American Legal Center and the NAACP Legal Defense and Educational Fund.



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Spring into Summer

An iris flower finally blooms in full to mark the beginning of summer. The iris is located over in the North Quad of campus.

"Roe" changes stance on abortion rights

DALLAS - The woman once known as "Jane Roe" whose case led to the legalization of abortion in the United States 30 years ago filed a new court challenge on Tuesday in a bid to overturn the landmark Supreme Court decision.

Norma McCorvey, who went by the name Jane Roe in the landmark Roe v. Wade ruling but later joined the anti-abortion movement, filed a motion in Dallas federal court claiming changes in the law and advances in medicine had rendered the court's original decision unjust.

At a Dallas rally, she told supporters she regretted her part in the original lawsuit.

"I want to thank all the wonderful women that are standing here. I'm so sorry that I filed that affidavit," McCorvey said.

"I long for the day that justice will be done and the burden from all these deaths will be removed from my shoulders," she said in a separate statement.

Planned Parenthood president Gloria Feldt said the case was not viewed as a threat to abortion rights.

"We don't expect the court to take it seriously. And the reason is because it was a good decision," she told Reuters. "Roe v. Wade enabled women to participate in the social, financial and political life of this country."

The move is the latest challenge to U.S. abortion rights and comes after the House of Representatives and the Senate each approved a ban on a procedure critics call "partial birth" abortion. Minor differences in the two versions remain to be worked out before the legislation goes to the White House.

The ban, supported by President Bush, would be the first time a specific abortion procedure has been criminalized since the 1973 Supreme Court decision.

In Tuesday's motion, written by a Texas-based conservative legal group called the Justice Foundation, McCorvey said Roe v. Wade was decided on false assumptions and that no meaningful trial was held to determine the

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Administration hard at work to limit the impact of budget limitations

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be to graduate. I'll have to take more classes next fall," Biggs said. For Weber despite a budget crisis, one thing remains important.

"As we handle these budget challenges, the quality of our academic programs is our first priority," Weber said.

Weber doesn't anticipate what's next out of Springfield.

"The budget situation coming

out of Springfield is still extremely fluid, as pieces of legislation are considered, some go forward, some get failed. We'll have a better idea of what's happening with our budget, but for now we're simply going to have to be patient and wait for developments in Springfield to work their way through the system," Weber said.

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Summer camps give EIU a boost

By Kenneth Bauer
VERGE & FEATURE EDITOR

Summer camps and conferences will bring over 13,500 high school students to Eastern's campus this summer, according to the office of Camps and conferences. The camps serve a wide variety of functions to many high school students visiting our campus each year during the hurried pace of Eastern's summer semester. Larger camps like the Illinois boys and girls state track meets, which bring 4,500 - 5,000 students annually, to select music and journalism camps can be seen on campus from May 17 through August 4.

Camps and conferences are activities engaged in by people other than Eastern students or faculty during the summer semester. Most often camps and conferences involve prolonged stays on campus utilizing otherwise dormant services ranging from classrooms to computer labs and dining services.

"The camps last from two days to six weeks," said Jody Stone, former Director of Camps and Conferences. "The camps work to promote the university in two ways. First and foremost, the summer camps give Eastern a lot of exposure to potential students that we simply couldn't get by any other means," explains Stone. "No matter how much advertising we do, no matter how many pamphlets we send out, no matter how many speakers from Eastern go to high schools to recruit, nothing is as valuable (a recruiting tool) as

so at Illinois universities, making the summer camps very attractive as a recruitment tool.



The Office of Camps and Conferences estimates 13,500 high school students visited Eastern's campus last year through events scheduled by their office. The IHSA track meets brought 5,000 visitors alone and are expected to generate the same numbers in the future.

"Camps currently on campus include Upward Bound (an inner city youth organization), Panther Soccer Camp, Universal Cheerleading Association, and Illini Girls State. Illini Girls State is an American Legion Auxiliary sponsored program that gives high school girls exposure to governmental procedure," said Matt Boyer, Camp and Conference Coordinator.

Boyer said that camps in the near future will include the Smith Walbridge Clinics and the Civil Air Patrol Illinois. "Civil Air Patrol brings people from all over the United States to learn how to fly aircraft including hot air balloons, small airplanes and gliders."

Eastern students may find it hard not to notice the presence of high school students jostling around in obvious places like the Triad computer lab, Booth Library, or the Student Recreation Center. The campers storm the campus with eager expressions and excited voices happy to be away from their parents and hometowns for a couple of weeks. Besides the noise and sometimes slightly irritating behavior of the high school campers, camps also bring extra revenue to Eastern.

"Summer camps pay for their use of the university facilities at an average rate of \$26 per day per student for room and

use," stated Stone.

Stone noted that camps and conferences originating from outside Illinois pay higher rates for their use of Eastern's facilities, as they don't pay standard Illinois taxes throughout the year.

The total brought in each year from camps is just under \$1 million, according to the Office of Camps and Conferences. These fiscal benefits boost services offered to Eastern students through the summer semester. The revenue is gained by utilizing facilities not being used by the students and helps keep the total number of people, students and non-students, using school services higher than it would be if only Eastern students were present. This allows the university to keep more qualified year round faculty employed than it would be able to if the camps were not present.

Stone explained the campers are usually well behaved even though they tend to be louder than most Eastern students. The number of Eastern student and faculty complaints about the camps and campers has been on a sharp decline over the past five years.

Stone also notes that despite expulsion of camps in the past, no camps have been asked to leave for inappropriate behavior in the last five years.

Summer students at Eastern study at a break neck pace for 4-week intervals. These courses run simultaneous to the high school campers partaking in the college atmosphere of Eastern. Sometimes Eastern students get a little agitated with the campers according to Stone and Ken Baker, Director of the Student Recreation Center.

Baker shares the views of Stone concerning the tremendous value of the summer camps recruiting potential and added revenue for Eastern. Baker explained that the money the camps are charged to use the recreation center pays for extra student workers at a higher than minimum wage rate of pay.

Baker says that camps pay to use a limited number of the basketball courts at the student recreation center and are told to use only those parts of the recreation center.

"We make sure to leave enough space so students using the recreation center and campers aren't right on top of each other. Students studying through the summer semester tend to be a little more on edge than usual," Baker notes.

According to Baker, student complaints are most often related to minor incidents on the part of campers.

"Generally things like campers being in the weight area acting like teenagers do, wandering upstairs and being a little annoying, basically hanging out where they are not supposed to be is what we usually hear about. Anything more serious than that I report to Stone and it gets dealt with right away," Baker stated.

The biggest concern for the recreation center faculty is making sure the cost of damaged equipment gets billed to the right camp, "which they always pay," Baker explained.

Sandra Nees, Assistant Director of Information Technology Services, a.k.a. the Triad, said direct contact with the adult representatives from each camp has kept the campers to a low roar in the Triad.

"There are many instances when the



campers get a little too noisy for the Eastern students trying to concentrate in the hurried pace of the summer semester, but few instances where campers become a major problem," Nees stated.

"Students have been kicked off the campus for inappropriate behavior, but those instances are few and far between," Nees explains.

Nees explained that campers checking out materials for only five minutes, then returning them and checking out something else is something that creates long lines for Eastern Students trying to use their own facilities.

"When you have 80 campers checking things out nonstop it can get a little tense," Nees stated.

Nees reiterated what Stone and Baker expressed, "When you add up everything, the camps are by far a plus to Eastern."



having high school students actually come here and have a fun time while learning," stated Stone.

Stone estimates 95 percent of the camps visiting Eastern are composed of high school students from Illinois. Most of these students who attend college will do

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EDITORIAL

Another Charleston Summer

Ah, Charleston in the summertime.

Students who attend Eastern's summer school this year, whether they are enrolled in a single intersession course or a full 15-hour load, are acutely aware of the ins and outs of spending their would-be vacation in the judicial and cultural center of Coles County. Yes, while luxuriating in the nearly Mediterranean climate and enjoying a night life positively crackling with excitement, summer school students are privy to the very best Charleston has to offer.

Okay, maybe Mediterranean is the wrong word. Saharan is probably more appropriate. And on second thought, our night life is less 'crackling with excitement' than it is 'permeated by a vacant ennui.' Our fair city may indeed be the cultural capitol of Coles County, but such a distinction doesn't communicate much considering the competition. Admit it—most of Eastern's summer school students could, without hesitation, list about a dozen places they would rather spend their summer.

As if the situation needed exacerbation, the university has approved a cost-cutting measure requiring all but three of the buildings on campus to shut off their power (and with it their air conditioning systems) every weekend. When students go to class on Monday mornings, the temperatures in their classrooms will closely approximate a Native American sweat lodge.

Many students complain ceaselessly that there is little to do in Charleston during the regular academic year. If those students remained in town during the summer semester, they would understand just how good they have it. The annual spring exodus of most of the student body is accompanied by a pronounced dip in the number and quality of parties, and crowds dwindle at local drinking establishments. Indeed, Charleston in the summertime is a regular 'Desolation Row.'

But rather than carping about the searing heat and stifling humidity, instead of whining about the abject lack of things to do, Eastern's summer school students should manipulate these factors to their advantage. So it's hot. Go to Booth Library, crack a book, and bask in the air conditioning (it's always on, even over the weekend). Bored?

With a little effort, summer school students can channel the summer blahs into a GPA-boosting academic boon. Nobody spends the summer in Charleston because they prefer it to Grand Cayman. Immerse yourself in your studies, and watch the time fly.

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

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OPINION

University up, Students down



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College has never been an easy time for me, and I don't mean academically. When I refer to difficult I mean financially. Every semester, I'm not one of the many students anticipating a refund check to blow on partying or paying for my trip to Cancun for Spring Break. I dread my trip to the financial aid office every semester, because I know I'm going to come up short. It doesn't matter that my parents don't contribute a cent to my education, and I've at one time or another worked four jobs at a time to stay in school. That was before I crashed and burned, and went to the hospital for sleep deprivation. My only other option this semester was to max out several credit cards to pay the tuition, instead of going with just a few hours of sleep a night to keep my jobs.

I see how the university recruits new students, rolling out the red carpet for them on campus visit day and orientation. Filling their naive little heads with promises seldom kept. Much as the pimp lures his prospective new employee, because that's what the university really is a

"The university really is a pimp. What else would you call someone that you work for, who would turn around and demand all your hard-earned money."

pimp. What else would you call someone that you work for, who would turn around and demand all your hard-earned money. Then threatens you constantly when you can't pay up. I'm tired of this vicious cycle. Every month you look forward to the few pennies that constitute a pay check, only to be disappointed like a child on Christmas morning receiving a lump of coal. It seems like every semester we are bombarded with pointless fees, like air consumption, that eat up your minuscule pay check.

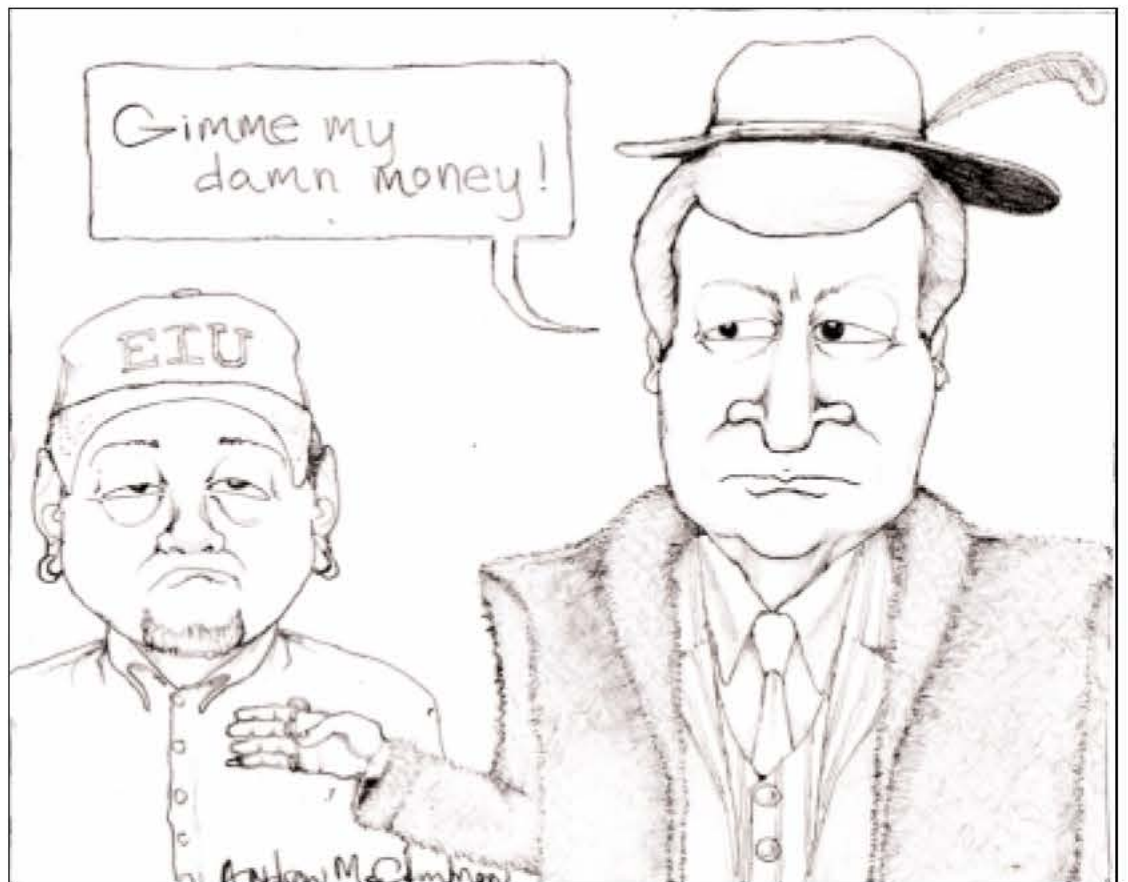
There are fees upon fees, and after the Board of Trustees approves the latest batch of fees

and an inevitable tuition increase at it's Monday meeting, students will have even less money in their bank accounts. My claims may seem a bit farfetched to some, but let's take a look at this newly proposed network fee, which was proposed as an attachment to the technology fee, so that it wouldn't show up as a new fee. Many students were in opposition to it, and many were misinformed on it.

Student Government, which is supposed to act as a voice for the student body, failed miserably to inform students on the proposed fee, before passing it, and giving the administration the green light to approve the fee. A fee, which I admit would improve the quality of the internet capacity on campus. However, will not go into effect if passed until I have left Eastern for the real world. But despite that fact, I will still have to dig into to my pockets to help foot the bill.

If the university wants students to show more pride in the institution, than maybe they should cut the act, and be more understanding to students, especially the poorest ones.

Cartoon by Andy McCammon



YOUR TURN: LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

The disabled should be recognized

From a very early age, we have all, at least once, learned and found out first hand what it feels like to be different or not accepted. Sometimes it might hardly affect us, and other times it might really hurt to know that we do not belong. For some people it goes in one ear and out the other; they do not worry if some group of people does not accept him or her into her clique. For me, the concern is not whether or not I fit in with those around me, but my heart hurts for those individuals with disabilities that society has tended to ignore and shy away from. You see, eventually I will find a group that accepts me, but for people with disabilities, it becomes much harder to find someone that will welcome them into his or her life.

Individuals with disabilities are a part of our society just as much as those of different race, social status, culture and so on. Just because they have a handicap does not mean they do not belong with the rest of us that do

not. The problem is this: all too often a person with a disability is ignored like they do not even exist. They are overlooked, going unrecognized as a part of society. For example, while working at the Specialized Living Center, a place where adults with developmental disabilities live, even the employees act like it is more of a chore to give the extra help and effort that is needed to take care of these individuals. I noticed that they really just did not understand fully the different disabilities that each person had. They were merely there to clock in, work, and clock out. Oh yeah, I forgot—they wanted their paycheck, too.

O.K., so one problem is that people just do not care enough about individuals with disabilities, mainly because they are not sufficiently educated about disabilities and how they affect their victims. Another problem that I see that causes the ignoring of people with disabilities is that people are just afraid. They are afraid

that they might say the wrong thing and offend the person with the disability. They might also be afraid that they might not only say something wrong, but that they might do something wrong as well. Questions run through their heads like: "How do I even start a conversation with this person?"; "What do I do once I do get a conversation started?"; "How do I act, and What do I say?" These can be difficult to answer, but you will never know what to do or say if nothing ever happens in the first place. How would you feel if no one ever talked to you just because they were afraid of how you might react? The fear of doing or saying something wrong is not a good excuse for ignoring those with disabilities. "Behold the turtle. He makes progress only when he

sticks his neck out." Take the chance to get to know someone that is different from the "norm" because of a disability. Yes, there is always the possibility of saying or doing something wrong, but nine times out of ten you will not upset someone with disabilities by making the effort to talk to them. Instead, you will probably make their day, because too many other people ignore them rather than trying to get to know them.

Individuals with disabilities are members of our society too, and they deserve to be recognized in just the same way as those of us who do not have disabilities. Ignorance and fear are not valid excuses. Educate yourself and walk on the edge.

Amanda Schaefer
 Special education major

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Pixar Studio's Nemo does not flounder

♦ "Finding Nemo" teaches about letting go and taking risks

By Chris Kee
STAFF WRITER

"Finding Nemo" is the big fish in this summer's deep sea of movies. Insanely imaginative and beautifully rendered, you will not find a summer film that so effortlessly combines art, heart and smarts. The lucrative Pixar/Disney marriage spawns a fifth child that will most likely out swim his older cinematic brothers at the box office. And rest assured, the proud parents have no reason to hold their breath over the abilities of this little clownfish - bad fin or not.

"Finding Nemo" follows the basic format of the other Pixar films - just add water. Heavy emphasis is given to story, characters, and visuals all the time aiming for the adult crowd while pretending to be a film for the little ones. But the anchor that keeps Pixar's films from floating out to sea is the prominence given to relationships. Whether it's a friendship between monsters, a connection between toy and child, or a father-fish's love for his only son. This, above all else, is why these films are in a league of their own.

Although a colorful film, "Finding Nemo" starts off dark. A tranquil scene of a mother and father Clownfish admiring their



Vegetarian shark Bruce chases Marlin and Nemo in Pixar's latest release "Finding Nemo".

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soon to be hatched brood is disrupted by an attacking barracuda. Only the father, Marlin (voiced by Albert Brooks) and his unhatched son Nemo (voiced by Alexander Gould) survive. We fast forward as Marlin readies young Nemo for his first day of school. Marlin, overprotective to the extreme, dotes continually on Nemo (who

has one fin smaller than the other) never letting his son experience anything. Nemo's ocean life is one claustrophobic fish tank. Ironically, Nemo's biggest adventure happens later in the film when he is physically confined in a real life aquarium. Resentment eventually builds to a breaking point, which leads the

risk-taking Nemo to take a dare which lands him in the hands of a human scuba diver. Nemo soon finds his new home is a dentist's office aquarium in Sydney, Australia. And at this point the story diverges into two separate, yet equally rewarding adventures: Marlin's quest for Nemo and Nemo's aquarium-bound

adventure.

The uptight, neurotic Marlin is joined in his undersea journey by a memory-impaired Blue Tang named Dory (voiced by Ellen DeGeneres). Dory provides much-needed comic relief to Marlin's sea quest. The film is stocked with the lively characters we have come to expect from Pixar. Along the way our duo meets Bruce (voiced by Barry Humphries) the leader of a self-help group for aspiring vegetarian sharks. And they also get to hang ten with a totally cool (and extremely laidback) sea turtle named Crush, who really knows how to go with the flow while dispensing numerous, "Dudes". Treacherous jellyfish and eager sea gulls are just some of the creatures that float/fly in the way of our two chums finding Nemo.

Back in the dentist's office, Nemo embarks on his own adventure with a host of imprisoned, stir-crazy sea creatures. He finds a father-figure in the life-scarred Angel fish, Gill (voiced by Willem Dafoe), and a surrogate family among his fellow prisoners. In this new environment, and free from his watchful father's eye, Nemo truly finds himself.

The true adventure of "Finding Nemo" is self-discovery. Nemo discovers what he is truly capable of without his father's safety net and Marlin discovers that true parenting is knowing when to let go. All this is done within the framework of a genuine, non-concocted story about fish. "Finding Nemo" is one you don't throw back.

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Osbourne debut album is OsBORE-ing

By Chris Kee
STAFF WRITER

has just released her new CD titled, ironically, "Shut Up". One would think just the threat of her releasing a CD would be enough for the earth to rebel and hurl itself into the sun. No such luck. One brief listen and it becomes painfully (heavy emphasis on painfully) apparent that Kelly Osbourne is the Tom Arnold of the rock world. And like Arnold there is no explaining her rarified status or continued existence in the world of entertainment.

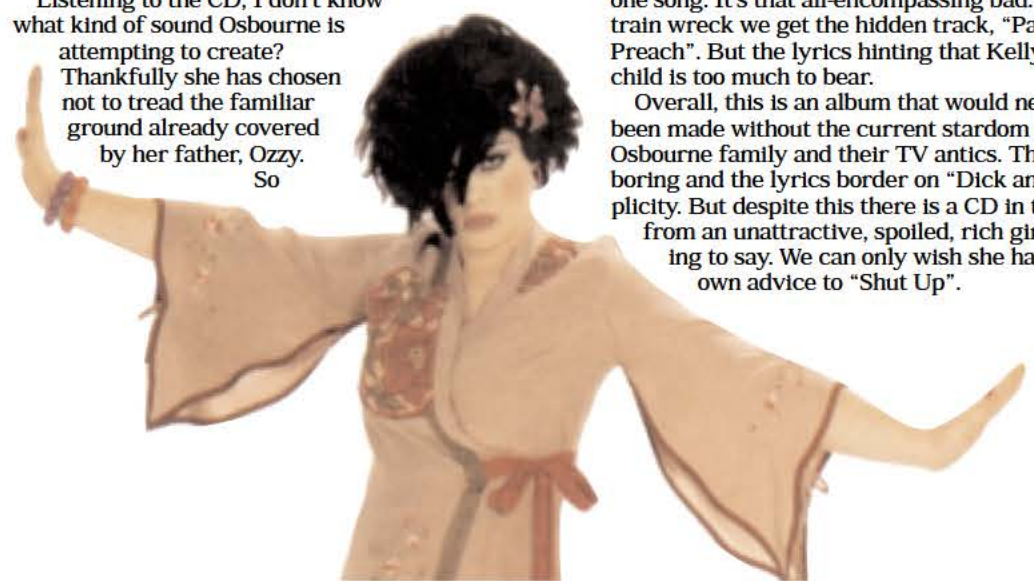
A quick survey of my friend's opinion on this CD yielded a prevailing verbal outburst that would make even Satan blush, if such a thing were possible. Personally, I agree with the sentiment but not their choice of words. As of this writing, I have listened to the CD three times. So far it hasn't grown on me, but if it did I would be forced to seek out a reputable surgeon skilled in the art of amputation.

Listening to the CD, I don't know what kind of sound Osbourne is attempting to create? Thankfully she has chosen not to tread the familiar ground already covered by her father, Ozzy. So

You may not know or care, but Kelly Osbourne

what's the best way to describe her sound? Imagine the Go-Go's with zero talent and without the chubby fun of Belinda Carlisle and the elfin magic of Jane Weidlin. It's like a trip back to the 80's but someone has sucked out all the fun - it's an Oreo that's all bitter cookie and no sweet filling. If you like lyrics penned by spoiled brats and music by faceless studio musicians then this is your holy grail. For ten tracks the album lurches from one uninteresting song to another taking monotony to a whole new level. Only on the eleventh track, "More than life itself" does Osbourne shift/grind the gears. At this point we are taken to a whole new level of "badness". And we come to a song so bad that even Christina Aguilera would refuse to sing it. How does one describe, "More than life itself"? Let's just say this song could make Yoko Ono run screaming for the hills. Yes, it's that bad. So bad, that if Saddam Hussein had buried this CD in the desert it would be classified as a weapon of mass destruction for the inclusion of this one song. It's that all-encompassing bad. After this train wreck we get the hidden track, "Papa Don't Preach". But the lyrics hinting that Kelly is with child is too much to bear.

Overall, this is an album that would never have been made without the current stardom of the Osbourne family and their TV antics. The music is boring and the lyrics border on "Dick and Jane" simplicity. But despite this there is a CD in the stores from an unattractive, spoiled, rich girl with nothing to say. We can only wish she had taken her own advice to "Shut Up".



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WERDEN:

McInerney's nephew comes to help Eastern cross country and track

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Later that day, Werden ran the 800-meters and charged down the straight-away from sixth to finish second.

"That is just one of the toughest doubles there is," McInerney said. "The two prelims and then two finals, that is pretty brutal."

Werden's performance at state followed a successful cross country season when he finished sixth at the 2002 IHSA Cross Country State Finals. Prior to earning sixth in 2002, Werden finished seventh at the 2001 IHSA Cross Country State Finals.

Werden became the first Charleston athlete ever to place in the top 25 at state in cross country and earn all-state recognition.

Between his cross country season and his outdoor track season, Werden placed fifth in the 3,200-meter run at the Illinois Prep Top Times Indoor State Meet. He ran a time of 9:31.94 which stands as the school record in the event for Charleston.

At the indoor state meet Werden simply lowered his personal best time in the 3,200-meter run. He originally set the record during his sophomore season. When Werden broke that record, Charleston track head coach Steve Craig realized he had a Division I College runner under his wing.

"Pretty much the indications were there his sophomore year," Craig said. "He was a typical freshman; he didn't know what he was capable of. His sophomore year of track a switch just turned on; that was probably the first time I noticed (he could run in college)."

For three of those years at Charleston, Eastern sophomore runner Scott McNamer ran as a teammate of Werden's. McNamer feels that Werden can continue his high school success at Eastern next year.

"He's got, as far as I can see, real good potential, unlimited as far as I can see," McNamer said. "He'll do a fine job. Coach (McInerney) is really good at what he does and will know what to do and how to make him better."

McInerney and Werden have known each other for a long time since McInerney is Werden's uncle. Their relationship definitely helped Eastern to land one of their best distance recruits in several years.

"He's definitely one of our biggest signings even though he's a local kid and related," McInerney said. "He was one of our highest priorities to keep him in town."

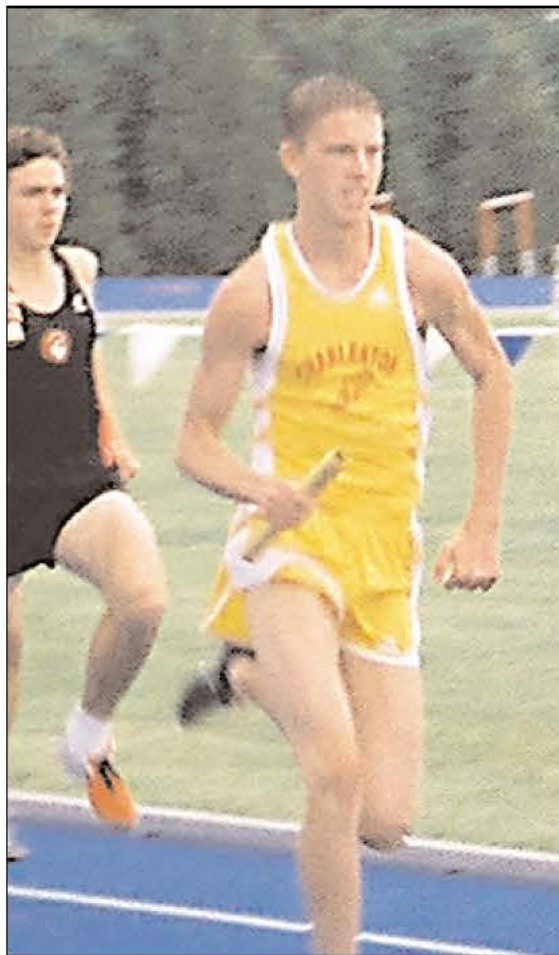
"Erik's definitely a big recruit for us. It's hard for a small school to get a top 5 or top 8. If I can latch on to a senior that's in the top 10 that's a pretty big catch for us."

Eastern's persistence also helped them land the successful local runner.

"Coaches would call, but none of them would set up a meeting," Werden said. "By track season it was either Illinois or Eastern."

The opportunity to come in right away and contribute definitely made Eastern more appealing to Werden.

"The other schools that wanted me to go there, I might not have had a chance to run there," Werden said.



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Charleston's Erik Werden competes in the 4x800-meter relay during the IHSA Track and Field State Finals. Werden signed to run for Eastern beginning next fall.

McNamer knows what Werden is capable of and sees that he could come in and help right away.

"I think he'll have a huge impact," McNamer said. "I'm pretty sure he can do it. In big races, he has a strong desire to do well and he has natural talent. Those two together really help to make him a good runner."

McInerney sees that Werden can contribute to Eastern cross country and track because he still has the capability to improve significantly.

"There aren't many kids in the 800 that ran as well as he did in the 800," McInerney said. "It's just the potential that you see; we have to make the most of it."

"He has an unlimited amount of potential. I don't think he's anywhere near tapping what he's capable of."

Craig watched almost every race Werden ran over the last four years. After watching Werden rake in four medals from the state track meet (two each in 2002 and 2003) and two from the state cross country meet, improvement is almost definite in Craig's opinion.

"I think that he likes to excel, he likes to run and he is interested in his running," Craig said. "I'd be surprised if by his sophomore or junior season he is not doing a lot better."

High school is done, Weber now to weigh signing with Cubs

By Jamie Hussey
SPORTS EDITOR

The Cubs had not been able to discuss all the fine details with Rockford Boylan senior Matt Weber since he was still currently involved in high school baseball playoffs.

Now that baseball season is over Eastern baseball head coach Jim Schmitz is sure the Cubs are setting up a time to meet with Weber.

Weber was being recruited to come to Eastern as a quarterback for football coach Bob Spoo and a pitcher for Schmitz.

There may be a snag in the coaches' plans if Weber decides to go to the Chicago Cubs. The Cubs announced in the amateur baseball draft picks that they are interested in picking up Eastern's recruit.

The Cubs chose Weber as their possible 16th round pick.

Spoo said it is hard to say anything at this point because the Cubs had not been able to meet with him.

"I have talked to him and he said he will weigh them both and make a decision," Spoo said.

Weber had 1,893 yards and 18 touchdowns with only five interceptions last season with the Class 6A Rockford Boylan football team who went 8-3 for the season.

During baseball season, Weber

went 31-1 and pitched in 90 2/3 innings while only allowing four earned runs and 11 walks. He struck out 148 batters.

Now that the high school season is over with, who is to say what Weber will do.

Even though he is going up against the legendary Chicago Cubs, Schmitz still feels good about Weber's decision to come and join Eastern.

Schmitz said he visited Weber and his family over the weekend.

"I have tried to sit down with him and we have had really good discussions, and I will keep in contact," Schmitz said.

Weber has a very important role in Eastern baseball if he makes his decision to come here.

Schmitz said he would be one of Eastern's top three arms and he would be taking the place of former pitcher Damon White.

"Weber will be a dominant pitcher at the college level, it is a chance to land a big name and that will say a lot for our success next year," Schmitz said.

"He is a kid who can come in and be a weekend guy and he is a kid who we thought we did a nice job of finding. He is one of our go-to-guys we definitely think we could go to and that is a lot for a freshman."

PRO:

High school athletes should consider non-monetary incentives of going to college

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love to have a six figure paycheck for a couple of years, I think they would rather have education to fall back on when they injure themselves, and the professionals stop paying.

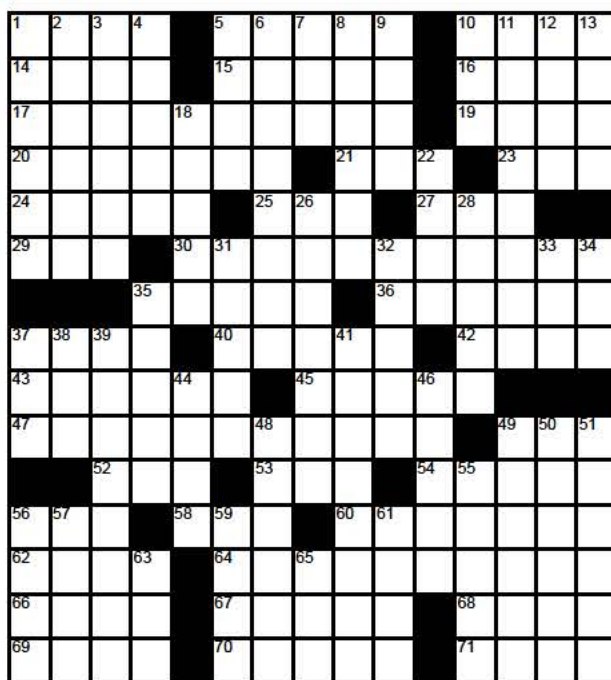
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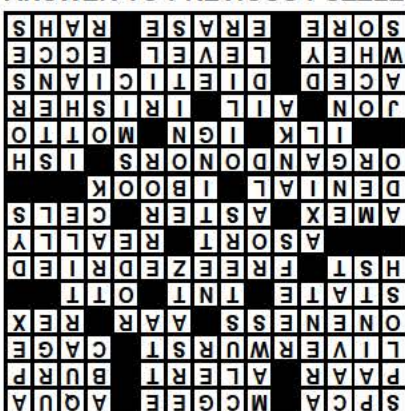
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Puzzle by Alan Arbesfeld

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The pros can wait

Jamie Hussey
SPORTS EDITOR

Okay, college is not for everyone. Some people go to trade school, others go to the work force, while many go off to see the world, and some people go to a four year university or college to earn their degree.

However, there is a problem with people when they totally disregard college or any type of higher learning to go straight into professional athletics after high school.

It seems that more and more high school graduates are opting to go straight to the pros. It began with people quitting college a year or two earlier to go to the pros, but the athletes are getting younger and younger.

One player in particular that Eastern should be concerned about is Matt Weber. Weber recently graduated from high school and he was being recruited to come here to Eastern as a pitcher and a quarterback but since the Cubs drafted him as their 16th round pick there no telling what he is going to do.

Now don't get me wrong, to know an athlete is good enough to go to the pros right out of high school is amazing.

However, there are so many experiences that Weber and other athletes would miss by going straight into the pros and skipping college.

For instance: In college the athlete would get more attention from the coaches, than he/she would at the professional level.

In college the athlete is given four more years to develop themselves and their sport to be all it can be when they do go to the pros.

In college athletes have the chance to have more exposure to professional recruits so they have more of a variety when they get into the pros.

In college they are earning a degree so that if the worst happens and they can not play their sport anymore they have something to fall back on financially.

In college they are going to get more of a chance to play in games than they would in the pros.

In college they can get used to the rigorous work schedule they will have with more games than they did in high school.

In college the athlete would also become accustomed to traveling a lot and being on the road with the road games.

In college the athlete has more time to mature not only physically, but emotionally and mentally, so when their team loses they are able to handle it in all aspects.

In college the athlete would make lifelong comrades, whereas athletes in the pros are traded so often they don't have time to make alliances.

In college if the athlete is being looked at by professional teams than they are probably good enough to have a full ride scholarship to almost any school.

Although any athlete would

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Ball State drops track program, puts Fasnacht back on the market

By Jamie Hussey & Erik Hall
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The Eastern track team may be getting a boost from right here in Charleston for next season.

Derek Fasnacht a hurdler and middle distance runner who just recently graduated from Charleston High School has a decision to make on where he is going to go to college and run. His plans after graduation were to attend Ball State in Indiana.

Those plans were thrown astray when Ball State made the decision to drop the track program after the 2003-2004 season.

Fasnacht has two offers in front of him from Eastern and Indiana State.

Fasnacht was the anchor on Charleston's 4x800-meter relay team that won the Class AA state championship. He also finished eighth place in the 300 intermediate hurdles and eighth in the 4x400-meter relay at the 2003 IHSA Track and Field State Finals.

Fasnacht has other accolades that he earned in his high school career.

He placed first in the Charleston Sectional meet in the 300 hurdles, long jump, 4x400 relay and the 4x800 relay.

He also won the Apollo Conference title in the 300 intermediate hurdles, long jump and triple jump.

Track and field was not the only sport Fasnacht excelled in during high school. He held a spot on the 2000 varsity soccer team that reached the IHSA Quarterfinals.

In 2001, Fasnacht helped Charleston's cross country team to reach state for just the third time in school history. Charleston track coach Bob Edwards suggested a strong possibility that Fasnacht would continue cross country in college.

"He's a pretty good cross coun-

Werden stays home for track

By Erik Hall
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After becoming the most successful male runner ever at Charleston High School, Erik Werden decided to stay in town and try to continue his success at Eastern.

"I wanted to go somewhere I could fit in and get better," Werden said.

Werden's career at Charleston saw him earn three school records in the 4x800-meter relay, the 800-meter run, and the 3,200-meter run.

The 4x800 relay record was set this year at the IHSA Class AA State Track and Field preliminary race with a time of 7 minutes, 44.23 seconds. In the final of the 4x800, on the following day, Werden helped Charleston to the school's first track and field state title since 1906.

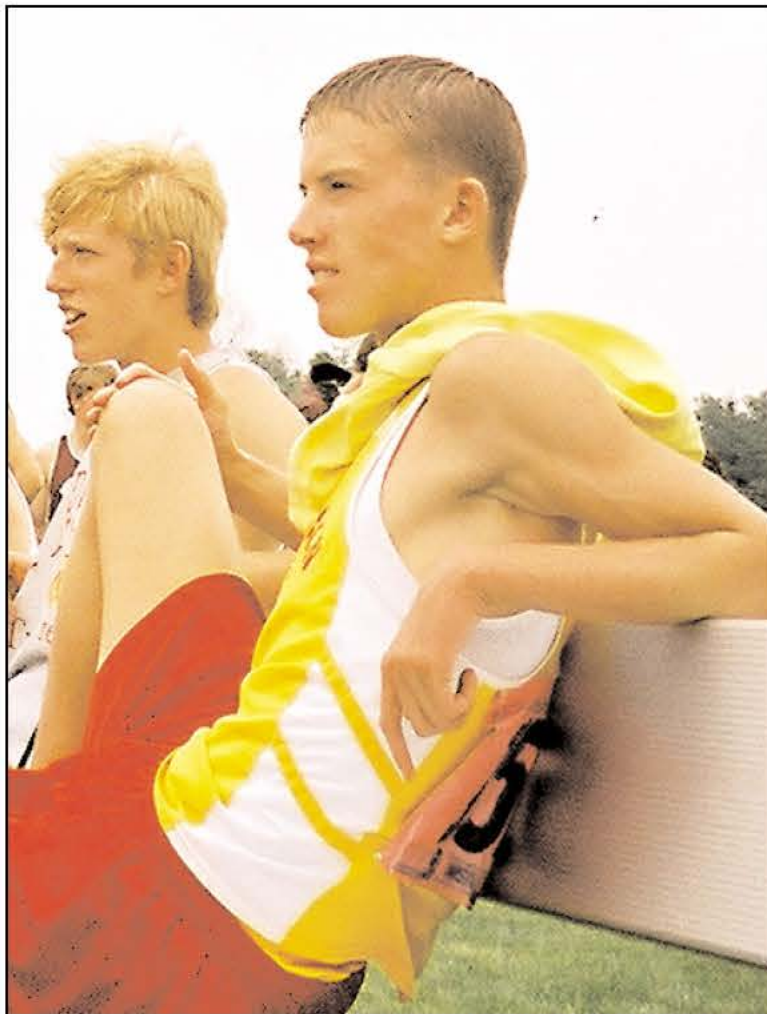
"I was excited for him and his teammates at just the fan level," said John McInerney, Eastern men's and women's cross country coach.

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try guy and he can only get better," Edwards said.

At the 2002 Centralia Cross Country Sectional, Fasnacht narrowly missed an individual berth to the state meet ranking sixth when only the top five individuals advanced.

Fasnacht said Eastern talked to him right after the state track meet and then a week later Ball State called about the future cancellation



Fasnacht (left) and Werden (right) await their medals at the IHSA State Track & Field meet. Eastern hosted the state meet at O'Brien Stadium.

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of their track program.

"I was glad that Eastern talked to me because I had not thought about another school," Fasnacht said.

It would definitely help that his friend and Charleston teammate Erik Werden would also be attending Eastern and participating on the track team Fasnacht said.

"We have been real good friends for a long time," Fasnacht said.

Edwards also would like to see the duo of Derek and Erik both sign to run at Eastern.

"It'd be nice if him and Erik could run together for four more years," Edwards said.

Fasnacht said no matter what school he ends up at he wants to compete in the 800 meter run, the 400-meter hurdles and the long jump.

Expos draft Pignatiello, Cards choose Pals

By Jamie Hussey
SPORTS EDITOR

Eastern baseball head coach Jim Schmitz has a lot to be pleased about these days after two of his players were picked up in the Major League Baseball draft.

On the first day of picks senior pitcher Jordan Pals was chosen by the St. Louis Cardinals in the 20th round, 605 overall.

Former Eastern catcher Bret Pignatiello was drafted to the Montreal Expos on the second day in the 27th round, 807 overall.

Schmitz said he was very happy for both Pignatiello and Pals.

Pals was unable to play this year for Eastern because of academic requirements after transferring from Lakeland Community College in Mattoon.

Schmitz said it was very sad what happened with academics with Pals.

"He is a great guy, he worked hard, I would be happy to have him back but I am excited that he gets a chance," Schmitz said.

Pals had a 8.38 ERA at the end of the 2002 season. He also struck out 25 batters in 29 innings and finished with a record of 1-2. Pals had one more of eligibility at Eastern.

Pignatiello ended his career by being named second team in the Ohio Valley Conference.

Schmitz said that with Pignatiello being a senior it was key for him that they are going to sign him.

"Pignatiello is going right to High A, he gets right into the swing of things," Schmitz said.

Pignatiello finished his college career with a batting average of .313 and 10 doubles. He led

the team with an overall finish of 17 home runs this year. The 17 home runs added up with the other three years to a grand total of 35 home runs for his career which puts him third for most in the Eastern's history.

He scored 52 runs himself, and had 59 RBI. Pignatiello's home runs and RBI totals tie him a month the Eastern season 'Top 10' leaders, respectively, at third and fourth.

After working through a shoulder injury the year before, Pignatiello started at catcher.

He threw out 14 of the 37 runners who tried to steal against the Panthers. Pignatiello and Pals both consulted Schmitz on going into the Major Leagues.

"We don't give advice, we just give them information," Schmitz said.

Pignatiello and Pals both had more schooling to do until they were completely finished with their degrees.

Schmitz said they are only going to get one chance at going pro so they should get going and do it.

"There are stars in the pros that are 21 years old and it is age factor really and you only get one chance to make that kind of money," Schmitz said.

The Major Leagues are not the only ones interested in Eastern's players, the independent leagues have shown interest too.

Former Eastern pitcher Nathan Stone is playing independent baseball in the Frontier League.

Stone is presently on the Kenosha Mammoths.

Schmitz said the Frontier League is a very good league and players are picked up from



FILE PHOTO

Brad Pignatiello is third overall in Eastern's history for home runs.

there to go to higher leagues.

"If Stone throws very well and his name gets out, he is performing in a pro setting, and other teams get to see him," Schmitz said. "He could get picked up, it is a great opportunity."

Stone ended this season with a 2.66 ERA and a record of 4-6.