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CAMPUS | PROJECTS



FILE PHOTO | THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

Students hustle into the current Textbook Rental building earlier this spring to receive their books. The current building is located on Fourth Street next to Pemberton Hall; however, it might be moving soon to an area on Edgar Drive near Greek Court.

Textbook Rental plans underway

Design drawings completed; funding still in process

By Stephen Di Benedetto
Associate News Editor

The new Textbook Rental building is closer to fruition, but a final end date for the project has not been set.

Schematic design drawings for the new facility are complete, said Steve Shrake, associate director of design and construction.

"We have budget numbers put together," Shrake said. "We are at the point where we need to complete the funding phase of the project so

we can move with the construction documents."

One of former President Lou Hencken's goals before he left as president of Eastern was to move Textbook Rental.

In May, it was reported that the estimated cost of the project would be between \$2 million and \$2.5 million. Jeff Cooley, vice president for business affairs, said funding for the project would come via numerous sources such as student fees and capital money acquired through fundraising.

Eastern needed design drawings to show potential donors the kind of project Eastern is planning.

"That's one of the reasons why we wanted to get to this stage in the design and development," Cooley said.

The plan is to place the new Textbook Rental facility somewhere on Edgar Drive, near Greek Court.

Cooley said the Honors College and the nursing program would then be moved into the present Textbook Rental facility.

Booth House, the current home of the Honors College, is in need of major repair.

After Textbook Rental is moved, Booth House will be torn down and a parking lot would be added to the west side of campus.

Parking is one of the main reasons Hencken wanted to move Textbook Rental to another location.

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CAMPUS | STUDENT GOVERNMENT NOTEBOOK

Controversy arises on day one of election

Bulgar to contest candidate eligibility; rewriting of bylaws a possibility

By Rick Kambic
Student Government Reporter

Members of the Student United Party will contest Paul Reid's petitions to enter the April 2008 Student Government election as a candidate for student executive vice president.

"We feel that there is somewhat of a discrepancy between the petition that was submitted and the requirements themselves," said Levi Bulgar, party leader and presidential candidate. "We feel that we met all the requirements, and we will be in Ceci Brinker's office as early as 8 a.m. to contest what's officially on the ballot."

Laurel Fuqua, Student Activities Center receptionist, confirmed at 3:40 p.m. on Tuesday that all petitions had been reviewed for eligibility, and three students were not eligible.

Four students, however, have been approved to run for student body.

Dominic Capparelli entered the race under the Campus Action Party

(CAP). Capparelli is the only member of the party. He is a sophomore communications studies major who helped his uncle Jim Capparelli run for U.S. Congress during the February primaries.

"I think it's time to end the 'business as usual' era of Student Government, like the current administration has going for them now," Capparelli said.

Capparelli said the low voter turnout will work to his advantage and that his competitors' Greek alliances will not affect his campaign.

"I'm not worried about the voting right now," Capparelli said. "Posters are being made as we speak, and I have a lot of Chicago supporters right now. The last election only turned out less than 10 percent of Eastern's population."

Voter turnout has been decreasing from 498 votes last April to 387 votes during the December 2007 election.

Student Body President Cole Rogers ran unopposed last April.

This year, however, four parties are competing for control of the executive board.

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FILE PHOTO | THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

Student Senate Speaker, Megan Ogulnick, speaks during the weekly Student Senate meeting in February. When approached by Student Senate member Eric Hiltner on Monday concerning the hiring of Scott Murray, she declined to discuss the issue at the time.

LOCAL | CITY COUNCIL

Jenkins becomes permanent chief

Announcement comes at end of the council meeting

By Matt Hopf
City Editor

Mark Jenkins was named Charleston police chief at Tuesday night's city council meeting.

City Manager Scott Smith made the announcement near the end of the meeting. Jenkins was named interim police chief after Paul Welch resigned in December to become police chief in Edgewood, N.M.

Jenkins said he didn't know about the decision until 7 p.m. Tuesday.

The council did not have to vote on the decision. The decision falls under the discretion of the city manager, Smith said.

"Obviously, I advised the council on the decision prior to the announcement," he said.

Jenkins, a lifelong Charleston resident, said as interim chief, some changes were made internally as a whole department.

He said he plans on getting the department more involved in the community.

The city council also unanimously granted a conditional-use permit for a drive-in movie theater at 375 N. 14th St. The parking lot in the theater will also be allowed to have a gravel parking lot instead of asphalt, as long as weeds and dust are kept under control.

Council Member Lorelei Sims raised concerns about the additional traffic on 14th Street because of the theater, and about the possibility that the buffer would not shield residents whose homes faced the screen.

The screen would be 30 feet high but would sit on 15-foot supports.

Mayor John Inyart told the council the buffer on the ground would only stop drivers from seeing the screen.

"I don't think we are going to be able to buffer that 45-foot screen," he said.

Council member Larry Rennels said he drove along East Madison Street to see the area of the proposed screen.

A resident would be able to see the screen but would not distinguish it, he said.

He also addressed concerns about the volume of movies being played.

The theater plans to provide audio through car radios, which shouldn't reach any of the residents in the area.


"I would be surprised if it got to the bike path as well," Rennels said.

Public comment was not allowed during discussion of the drive-in.

During public comment at the end of the meeting, Charleston resident Ed Carter expressed his disappointment that the floor was not open to public comment.

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EIU WEATHER

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Today, it will be mostly sunny with a daytime high in the high 40s. Tonight, rain will move into the area, accompanied by an overnight low in the high 30s. Rain will fall throughout the area until Friday night.

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ENTERTAINMENT | A DAILY LOOK

Woman arrested on suspicion of stalking Cusack

The Associated Press

MALIBU, Calif. — A woman who was ordered to stay away from John Cusack has been arrested on suspicion of stalking the actor and violating a restraining order.

Emily Leatherman was taken into custody Sunday after Los Angeles County sheriff's deputies were called to Cusack's neighborhood, where a cab driver reported that a passenger didn't have enough money to pay for the ride to get there, sheriff's spokesman Steve Whitmore said Monday.

As the deputies were responding to the situation, they were flagged down by Cusack.

"He told them he recognized the woman in the cab and that she had been stalking him," Whitmore said.

Leatherman was arrested on investigation of stalking, violating a restraining order and petty theft. She was being held on \$150,000 bail.

In July 2006, Cusack was granted

a temporary restraining order stipulating that Leatherman stay at least 500 feet away from him, his home, his work, his car and offices or companies in which he does business.

In court papers, Cusack said Leatherman "is showing unusual interest by stalking, throwing long letters of interest over my fence in bags with rocks and screwdrivers inside, making unannounced visits to offices of people I work with in an attempt to meet with me and listing my address as her own during a recent arrest."

Sandler's broken ankle will not affect film production

LOS ANGELES — Adam Sandler may wish he stuck to being "The Waterboy."

The 41-year-old actor broke his ankle over the weekend while playing basketball — but still won the game — according to a statement sent to The Associated Press from Sandler's rep-

resentative. Sandler, who starred in "Happy Gilmore" and "I Now Pronounce You Chuck and Larry," is currently shooting Walt Disney Pictures' "Bedtime Stories." In the film, due out later this year, Sandler plays a hotel handyman whose bedtime stories magically come true. The statement said the injury will not affect production.

Wayans brothers drop bid for Oakland movie studio

OAKLAND, Calif. — The Wayans brothers have dropped their bid to build a movie studio and shopping center at the former Oakland Army base over conflicts with the nearby port of Oakland.

The Wayans' business partner Britten Shuford said the brothers failed to get a commitment from the city to preserve the site's San Francisco Bay views. The port plans to stack storage containers and build a wall that would block views.

PHOTO OF THE DAY

Studio time



BRYCE PEAKE | THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

Freshman jazz studies major Jesse Farrar looks back at junior Joe Burress during the EIU Jazz Ensemble's recording session at Pogo Studios in Champaign late Tuesday night

WHAT THE... | WEIRD, UNEXPECTED, BIZARRE NEWS

Woman gets call from police about car, tries to buy crack

The Associated Press

LAKE CHARLES, La. — Police officers suspected that a car they had pulled over was stolen, so they called the registered owner and left a message.

But when the owner called back, officers say, she apparently thought the message was from a drug dealer, and she was busted for allegedly trying to buy crack cocaine.

"Officers put in a lot of energy to close a case, so we never mind getting one on sheer luck and stupidity," Lake Charles police Sgt. Mark Kraus said of last

week's arrest.

He said officers Hope Kingery and George Miller stopped a vehicle for a traffic violation and the driver could not produce identification or a valid driver's license.

Miller called the car's registered owner and left a message, but in the meantime they determined that the vehicle wasn't stolen and allowed the driver to leave, Kraus said.

About an hour later, Miller got a call on his cell phone from the apparent owner of the car "who stated that she would like to buy \$150 in crack," Kraus said.

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CAMPUS | PARTICIPATION

Some fraternities excluded

Honorary frats cannot do Greek Week, but most do not mind

By Emily Zulz
Activities Reporter

Three years ago, Kappa Kappa Psi wanted to know if its members could participate in Greek Week.

They could not. Kappa Kappa Psi is an honorary fraternity for the band department.

Because Greek Life does not govern honorary organizations, they are not included in Greek Week activities.

Robyn Paige, special assistant to Dan Nadler, vice president for student affairs, said Greek Week is an event sponsored by the Greek Life Office, which oversees the social fraternities and sororities associated with the National Pan-Hellenic Council, the National Panhellenic Council and the National Interfraternity Conference.

"Honorary Greek letter organizations are typically associated with a specific academic department and do not fall under the umbrella of Greek Life," Paige said.

Kappa Kappa Psi president Alan Cychosz said the fraternity did not know in the past that it was not included in Greek Week activities, so members talked about trying to get involved.

Cychosz, a senior music education major, said "nobody really wanted to participate," and then found



FILE PHOTO | THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

The men of Sigma Pi compete in Big Men's tugs at Campus Pond during last year's Greek Week. Sigma Pi and other social fraternities are regular participants in Greek Week activities, but honorary frats are not included.

out they could not, anyway.

Kappa Kappa Psi has 27 active members, and Cychosz said they all have busy schedules with practice and classes.

"I know even if we could do it, I don't think we would," Cychosz said.

He said if they participated in anything, it would probably be the "Greek Sing" event because they are a music fraternity.

While not being able to participate in Greek Week has never bothered Kappa Kappa Psi, Cychosz said he thinks it is a little unfair.

"I think a fraternity is a fraternity," Cychosz said.

The lack of participation in Greek Week does not bother several of the

honorary fraternities on campus as well.

Alpha Psi Omega, an honorary organization for students interested in theater, would not have enough members to participate in the activities, said Leslie McGinnis, president of Alpha Psi Omega.

McGinnis, a senior theater major, also said most of the members' time in the evenings is spent in rehearsal.

"It would simply be impossible for our members to fully participate," McGinnis said.

Emily Smith, a senior accounting major, is president of Beta Alpha Psi, which has 35 members, all with accounting, finance and management information systems majors.

She said the honorary fraternity members did not even notice they were not allowed to participate.

"I don't think that's where we are in the social light," Smith said. "We're more focused on the professional aspect of helping students get jobs."

Smith said Beta Alpha Psi encourages members to be in social fraternities as well because they do not give members the social aspect.

"In some way, we already do participate because a lot of our members are also in social fraternities," Smith said.

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CAMPUS | FACULTY SENATE

External relations, voting results shared

Nominations for positions on University Boards and Councils also at meeting

By Brittnei Garcia
Faculty Senate Reporter

External relations is working to complete President Bill Perry's goals and priorities, said Jill Nilsen, vice president for external relations.

During Tuesday's Faculty Senate meeting, Nilsen updated the senate with information on external relations along with directors from her staff.

"External relations deals with the outreach of the university," Nilsen said. "We are responsible for fundraising, marketing and board relations."

Steve Rich, director of alumni services, said alumni services focuses in three areas, including outreach, annual funds and Banner.

"We maintain contact with alumni through a number of means," Rich said. "We have a monthly email that goes out to alumni with news and links."

This year, 42 events will be held for alumni.

Last year, 35 events were held. Significant changes make the \$210,000 alumni relations has now available year to date possible, Rich said.

Last year the annual fund totaled \$210,000.

Karla Evans, external director of development, explained to the Faculty Senate that her area focuses on

FACULTY SENATE ELECTION RESULTS

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Results are pending in the Sanction and Terminations Hearing Committee LCBAS and Academic Program Elimination Review Committee COS elections.

the plan-giving.

"On average, \$5.5 million is raised," Evans said. "This year, we are going to exceed our goal of 6 million."

Denis Roche, general manager for WEIU — also a part of external relations — discussed updates and how WEIU partners to benefit Eastern.

"We at WEIU are involved with student training, what we call real life building," Roche said.

Roche said WEIU is a way for broadcast students to develop skills and résumés for careers outside of Eastern. He explained that WEIU offers the best possible equipment

and learning situations students can receive during their education at Eastern.

WEIU is partnered with PBS and has 200 memberships for the station.

Roche said a challenge the station faces is that by letting outside businesses donate funds, businesses may want more say in the university.

WEIU has been looking for ways to receive more funding, he said.

"The strategy is to not do interrupting a program to ask for money," Roche said.

Also at the meeting, John Henry Prommier, chairman of the nominations committee, asked for nomi-

nations for Faculty Senate-appointed positions on University Boards and Councils for 2008-09.

Also, Faculty Senate election results were presented.

Anne Brownson, chairwoman of the elections committee, was disappointed in the number of people who voted. Forty-six percent of people eligible to vote voted in the elections on March 26 and 27.

"I am disappointed with it, given the simplicity of the system," said Brownson. "I was hoping for 60-percent range."

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CAMPUS BRIEFS

Jason Mraz tickets still on sale for April 25

Tickets for the April 25 concert at Lantz Arena featuring singer Jason Mraz are on sale.

Cost of tickets are \$13 for the public and \$10 for Eastern students. For tickets, call 581-5122 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Mraz's performance is scheduled to start at 8 p.m. and features opening acts Bushwalla, and magician Justin Kredible.

Last year's spring concert featured the Goo Goo Dolls, which drew a crowd of 3,500.

Hearing aid seminar to be held this month

The Department of Communication Disorders and Sciences is offering sessions for individuals who are considering hearing aids or for those who already own hearing aids and would like to maximize the benefits.

The sessions are scheduled for 11 a.m. to noon on April 4, 11, 18 and 25 on the second floor of Eastern's Human Services Center. The cost is \$20.

Call 581-2712 for more information.

'NewsWatch' honored at regional level

WEIU-TV's "NewsWatch" is a first-place winner in the TV Newscast Category for its region (Illinois, Indiana and Kentucky) in the Society of Professional Journalists' Mark of Excellence Awards.

Regional awards will be presented at the spring conference, set for Friday and Saturday at Indiana University in Bloomington, Ind.

Regional winners are forwarded on to the national competition, and national winners will be honored at the 2008 SPJ Convention and National Journalism Conference in Atlanta from Sept. 4-6.

Opt to return your textbooks early

Students can return textbooks to Textbook Rental any time during the semester. The final deadline to return Spring 2008 textbooks is 3 p.m. on May 2.

Visit <http://www.eiu.edu/~textbks/> for more information.

— Compiled by Editor in Chief Matt Daniels

CORRECTION

On Page 3 of Monday's edition of The Daily Eastern News, the location of the 2008 Shantytown was misidentified. The event will take place at Charleston High School.

The DEN regrets the error.

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THAT’S SO FRAT

Illinois State U. — There he is, walking through the Quad with his gelled hair, designer jeans and, let’s not forget, five inch letters sewn on to his shirt. That’s so frat.

There he is, out late at a party, hitting on girls and binge drinking like it’s his job. That’s so frat.

There he is, with his “brothers” cleaning up a park, raising money for charity and getting good grades in school. THAT’s so frat.

With the negative stigma that is associated with fraternities and sororities across many college campuses, it is amazing that Greek Life is still allowed on any campus at all.

However, those stigmas and misrepresentations of what Greek Life is cover up some of the truly positive things that fraternities and sororities do.

In fact, since joining my fraternity, when I think of fraternity, I no longer think of drinking or spikey hair.

I think of all the hard work that Greek Life members put in. Fraternities and sororities spend large amounts of their time working with each other to raise money, awareness and understanding about a variety of different causes.

An obvious example of the time and effort that goes into living Greek life happened this past weekend when thousands of dollars were raised for the Make-A-Wish Foundation at the Chi Omega sponsored “March Madness.”

Activities just like this happen almost every week.

Greeks are not all techno pumping, steroid shooting alcoholics. In fact, we are just like everyone else.

Sometimes you have to look past the letters, to the people, to realize that not all stereotypes are true and that groups with the worst reputations can be responsible for some of the best things.

Eric Mills
The Daily Vidette

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Drawn from the news | Chris Lee



STAFF EDITORIAL

Passengers need rights, too

Last week, a New York State law surfaced that imposed airlines to be more responsible for their passengers.

The Passenger Bill of Rights sparked a Congressional debate, not about whether passengers should have certain unalienable rights, but whether or not states or the federal government can tell airports what to do.

Unfortunately, the courts ruled that no, states don’t have control about what airlines do or don’t do. That is up to the federal government.

So what?

Well, if you were stranded for 10 hours on an airplane — not in an airport — you would probably assume that the \$300 plane ticket you bought would cover basic amenities, like food, water, access to a working toilet and fresh air, for the duration of that 10 hours.

Former New York Gov. Eliot Spitzer signed a law that would protect passengers who were stranded on the tarmac for three hours or more, requiring airports to supply at least these bare-minimum services.

The law came about when thousands of people were stranded for 10 hours on a plane at the Kennedy International Airport last year.

They complained of the toilets overflowing and were naturally upset they were denied food or water.

OUR VIEW

• **Situation:** Last week, New York State proposed a Passenger Bill of Rights that would allow stranded passengers basic amenities.

• **Stance:** Since it’s up to Congress to enact a law like this, it should do so soon. Without it, airlines don’t even have to provide bathrooms.

An appeals court questioned the New York law and said, according to the Chicago Tribune, it “interferes with federal law governing the price, route or service of an air carrier.”

At least they gave those stranded passengers something to chew on.

The Air Transport Association of America said the law giving customers a Passenger Bill of Rights was praiseworthy, but the association had a problem with giving individual states the authority to pass laws of this nature. Ahem, by the way, this happens to be the first law of this nature.

The courts insist it’s up to Congress to write up a Passenger Bill of Rights ensuring airline passengers who have access to toilets and clean water.

Surely, it’s at the top of Congress’ list.

Until the Passenger Bill of Rights is written into action, though, stranded passengers will have to trudge through the frustrations of traveling by air.

Campaigns replace state funds

President Bill Perry set a lofty goal to raise \$40 million.

But we believe in him.

And we’re certainly depending on him.

Gov. Rod Blagojevich didn’t give much support to higher education in his state budget this year and many schools are hurting.

According to the Chicago Tribune, Illinois universities chose to increase tuition because of “stagnant state funding and higher health-care and energy costs.”

University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign just raised its tuition last week partially as a result of Blagojevich snubbing higher education. Tuition jumped to a little more than \$20,000, up 9.5 percent from last year.

Other schools, like Western Illinois University, planned earlier this month to drive up tuition 9.5 percent, too.

Southern Illinois University at Carbondale will go up 9.9 percent and Northeastern Illinois University’s tuition will increase 12.8 percent.

Perry and his steering committee, made up of 25 prominent people, have taken it upon themselves to raise money themselves instead of waiting around for the state to fork it over.

Committee members won’t meet until September, so they don’t know exactly what’s on the agenda for appropriating the money.

OUR VIEW

• **Situation:** President Bill Perry set a goal to raise \$40 million that will go toward capital projects on campus.

• **Stance:** While other Illinois schools are substantially raising their tuition, we’re grateful Perry is campaigning to avoid tuition inflation.

It will most likely go to capital projects around campus, such as infrastructure and building projects. Part of it may go to endowment growth.

The last philanthropic campaign took place in 2003 in reaction to higher education, once again, being pushed aside in state appropriations.

Through hosting alumni events across the nation, the campaign ended up raising \$11 million by 2006.

The money went toward endowment, infrastructure and university operations.

We have confidence that Perry and the university will be successful in his campaigning efforts.

While we watch as other Illinois universities heedlessly raise their tuition prices, Perry is making sure Eastern remains the state’s most affordable public university with his \$40 million campaign.

And we are grateful that he’s taking some initiative instead of jacking up the cost of tuition as many other Illinois schools have already done.

CONTINUE THE DEBATE



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Visit DENnews.com to read Dylan Divit’s blog, “Movie: ‘Into the Wild.’”



“Materialism, lack of creativity and excitement drowns the human spirit. Lack of adventure in life is lack of life.”

-Dylan Divit



SCOTT A. MURRAY

Petting the bunny

This week, a newspaper called the Daily Record revealed a startling fact: “Girls masturbate, too.” The column, which ran last Monday, explained that women masturbate just as commonly as men, although they are “much less likely than boys to talk about it.”

Such a state of affairs is unfortunate, given that the women and girls that do talk about masturbation insist that it is a very crucial part of female sexuality. In one recent survey of nearly 600 women, for instance, 48 percent of the respondents said that masturbation using their hands, a showerhead or a vibrator was the “easiest way” for them to achieve orgasm.

These findings are consistent with those of other sex studies, which regularly conclude that masturbation is the “fastest and easiest way for many women to have orgasms.”

In addition, research finds that masturbating is the “most common way for a woman to come for the first time,” and that females who masturbate are “far more likely” — 40 percent more likely, to be precise — to achieve orgasm by themselves or with a partner than those who do not masturbate.

Masturbation is not the only important aspect of women’s sexuality that goes unnoticed. A recent study carried out by *Glamour* magazine found that nearly 9 out of every 10 women ages 25 to 39 “enjoy porn as part of their self-defined healthy sexual lifestyles” — that is, they watch pornography and take pleasure in it. Furthermore, mass media and industry figures reveal that 9.4 million women visit adult Web sites each month and comprise one-third of Internet porn viewership. It’s also reported that 13 percent of women admit to looking at porn Web sites at work.

Other illuminating research on the subject of women and porn exists. *Hormones and Behavior*, a scientific journal specializing in neuroendocrinology, published a study in 2007 which “surprisingly” found that “men are more likely than women to first look at a woman’s face before other parts of the body (such as the genitals), and women focused longer on photographs of men performing sexual acts with women than did the males.”

In spite of the clear, abundant evidence that women enjoy sex, porn and masturbation as much as men, their sexuality is regularly vilified in our culture. The *New York Times Magazine* plainly illustrates this phenomenon in a feature story published last Sunday. It recounted how Lena Chen, a student sex blogger at Harvard, was called “Harvard’s Jezebel,” “slut,” “whore,” “total whore” and — most creatively — “whore whore slut” by commenters when she dared to speak at a debate at her own college.

The rampant demonization of women’s sexuality must be defied. While these attitudes are complex and deeply-rooted in our culture, both men and women can help counter this chauvinist hegemony by acknowledging and embracing, rather than stigmatizing, the diverse, healthy sexual appetite of females. As long as the sexist tendencies in our culture are allowed to persist unchallenged, women and men alike will remain unwilling and unable to realize their potential as free, sexual beings.

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Council

FROM PAGE 1

He said the only benefit from a drive-in movie theater would be retail tax.

The negative consequences the area would see would include the possibility of showing R-rated films with children in the area, the fact that numerous homes would be exposed to the screen and the potential hindering of future development in the area.

He asked if the council would also consider a go-kart track on Lincoln Avenue or an adult bookstore next to a church.

Carter also spoke his concerns about the drive-in theater on Thursday to the Charleston Board of Zoning, Appeals and Planning.

In other business, the council approved a 9-percent increase to Charleston water and sewer service rates.

The water and sewer service rates increased to \$9.96 per 1,000 gallons, while just water service rate is \$9.03 per 1,000 gallons.

When a user goes over 10,000 gallons, the rates will be \$9.58 per 1,000 gallons for water and sewer service, while it will be \$8.29 per 1,000 gallons for just water service.

The university, which receives its own water and sewer service rate, will now pay \$9.58 per 1,000 gallon. Water and sewer rates were increased 11 percent last year, and it is projected to increase by 7 percent next year.

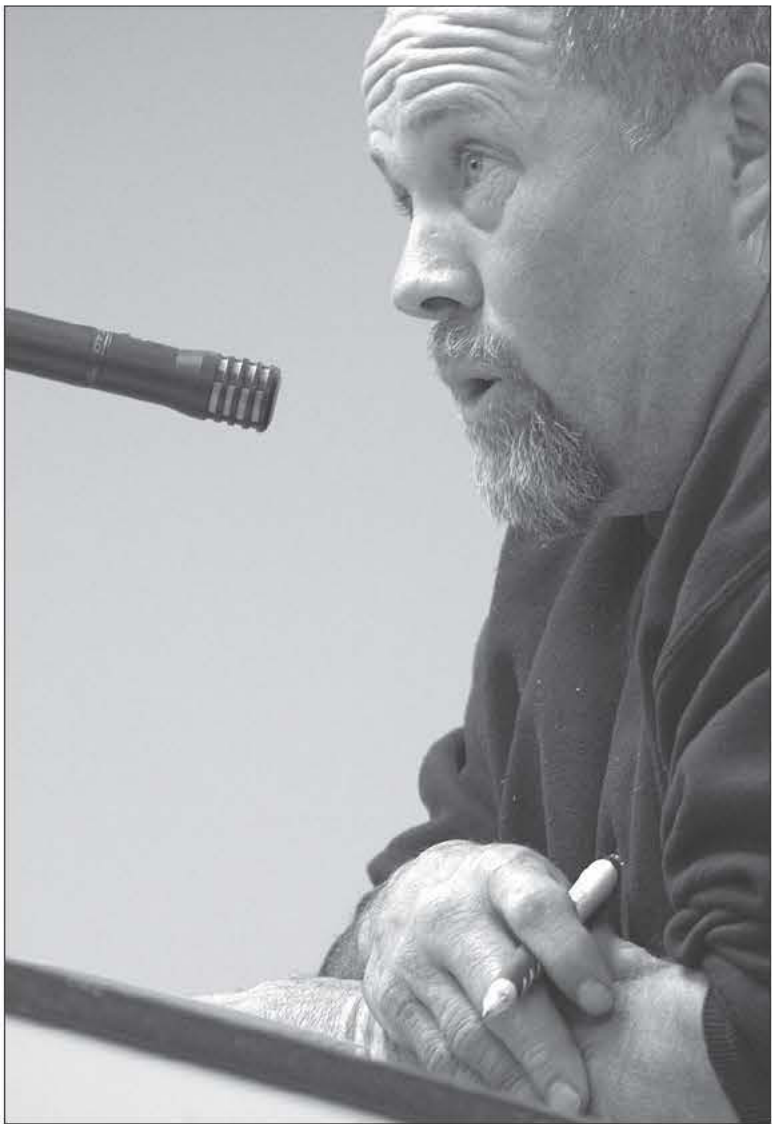
The increase will be used to help fund improvements to the Waste Water Treatment Plant and pay off bonds to the Water Treatment Plant.

It will also start a fund to help start a reserve capital fund so the city may not have to sell bonds when the next upgrade comes.

The plants need to be renovated every 20 - 25 years.

The council also approved to raise parking fines from \$10 - \$15. If the fine is not paid within 48 hours, the fine is raised to \$20.

This is the first increase to park-



MITCH SURPRENANT | THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

Ed Carter, of Charleston, expresses his disappointment to the Charleston City Council after it voted in favor of a conditional use permit for a drive-in movie theater on 14th Street.

ing fines since January 1995.

The council also approved street closures for the "Kick Butts" Anti-Smoking Footrace, spending \$12,500 of tourism funds to pay for entertainment for the Red, White and Blue Days on July 3 and 4 and a \$42,000 bid to Tom Busher Construction of Mattoon. The bid will pay for labor in repaving Parking Lots A and F in downtown Charleston.

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DEATH OF FORMER MAYOR ANNOUNCED

Charleston Mayor John Inyart announced former Mayor Wayne Lanman died Monday in Arizona.

Lanman served as mayor from 1988-1992. He previously served on the city council from 1964-1988. Lanman's major accomplishments included Edgar and Roosevelt drives and the expansion of the ambulance service, Inyart said.

Lanman died in Arizona where he lived. He was 83. The city council took a moment of silence in his honor.

Election

FROM PAGE 1

The newly formed Students Wanting Action Today (SWAT) party has a candidate on the ballot for each executive position. Neither the Student United Party (SUP) nor United Party of Students (UPS) could acquire enough students to fill those ballot positions.

Both SUP and UPS have candidates for the positions of student body president, vice president for academic affairs and vice president for student affairs. However, Student Senate members Tiffany Turner of SUP and Kevin Lee of SWAT are the only candidates for vice president for business affairs.

Eric Wilber of SWAT is the only candidate for student executive vice president unless Reid is allowed in the election. Wilber is the Student Government liaison to the Charleston City Council, an Apportionment Board member and an intern for Rep. Chapin Rose.

Bobbie Mitchell, the SWAT presidential candidate, said his experience as student body president at Lincoln Trail College has prepared him to replace Rogers at Eastern.

Bulgar is the current student executive vice president and was the student vice president for business affairs last year. The candidates' position on the ballot will be determined at 12:30 p.m. on Thursday in the Bridge Lounge of the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union. Election Commissioner Ashlei Birch will draw names from a hat.

Murray's position may be reconsidered

Student Senate member Eric Hiltner claims Student Senate Speaker Megan Ogulnick refused to meet with him Monday to discuss re-writing the bill that hired Scott Murray as the marketing director.

"Personally, I do not feel as though I 'refused' to meet with Eric," Ogulnick said. "Rather than meeting with him and rushing into writing a new bill, I wanted to meet with Ceci (Brinker) first."

Brinker is the Student Government adviser. On Thursday, Ogulnick deferred comment about Murray's technical employment designation to Brinker. Hiltner said Murray should become a paid liaison because the March 19 resolution that passed 19-6 to hire him violated the senate bylaws.

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- Eric Hiltner - United Party of Students
 - Levi Bulgar - Student United Party
 - Bobbie Mitchell - Students Wanting Action Today
 - Dominic Capparelli - Campus Action Party
- Executive Vice President**
- Eric Wilber - Students Wanting Action Today
- Vice President for Student Affairs**
- Ryan Kerch - United Party of Students
 - Sean WYROBEK - Student United Party
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- Tiffany Turner - Student United Party
 - Kevin Lee - Students Wanting Action Today
- Vice President for Academic Affairs**
- Christopher Kromphardt - United Party of Students
 - Alison Kostelich - Student United Party
 - Jackie Alexander - Students Wanting Action Today

Hiltner decided to approach Ogulnick on Monday, but Hiltner said Ogulnick didn't show up to their 6 p.m. appointment.

Hiltner claims that Murray is acting as the organization's director of public relations, a position that exists in the senate bylaws. Hiltner said the marketing director position does not exist, but Brinker insists the job is a temporary student aid position.

"I respect Eric's opinions, and I will discuss them with Ceci this week and meet with Eric shortly," Ogulnick said.

The approved resolution authorizes Student Government to pay Murray \$10 per hour for up to \$500 per semester.

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Textbook

FROM PAGE 1

Hencken said he felt the cars students park on Fourth Street when using Textbook Rental posed a safety concern. The university might entertain the idea of using geothermal

energy for the infrastructure that would make it more energy-efficient, he added.

As far as technology for the new facility, Cooley said the university wants to look into bar-coding capabilities for checking out textbooks.

"They want to at least have the option of self-service," Shrake said.

BLDD Architects Inc. was chosen

to design the new building. BLDD Architects has designed Schroeder Hall at Illinois State University, ADM-Scovill Hall at Millikin University and The Alice Campbell Alumni Center at the University of Illinois.

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LOCAL | STATE FUNDS

State money received on city population

Charleston will not seek special census

By Matt Hopf
City Editor

The U.S. Census Bureau reported Charleston had a population of 21,039 after the 2000 census.

These numbers are important to the city because they factor into the amount of funds received from the Motor Fuel Tax Fund and from the State Income Tax.

City Manager Scott Smith said Charleston receives a tenth of the state income tax revenue, a portion of the Motor Fuel Tax and one percent of the auto rent tax.

At one point, the city was looking at the possibility of a special census in November to gain the additional revenue from the growth since the last census, Smith said.

A partial census would have cost the city

\$90,000, while a complete census would have been much higher.

The city chose not to pursue the census with the lack of time to earn enough revenue from the growth to pay for the census, Smith said.

The next census will be conducted in 2010. "Four or five years ago, the answer would have been different," Smith said.

That would give the city more time to pay off the census with the growth revenue.

"I can't just do that with two years left," Smith said.

Mayor John Inyart said with the growth anticipated, the city provides services to more people, yet does not receive any additional funding.

Inyart added that a special census might not have shown the increase the city thought it had.

"It's a number we have to live with," he said. "It's not something we can do too much about."

The money the city receives from the state

TAX MONEY FROM THE STATE

Income Tax

Budgeted	Projected	Actual
08-09	07-08	06-07
\$1,960,513	\$1,903,410	\$1,824,110

Motor Fuel Tax

Budget	Projected	Actual
08-08	07-08	06-07
\$600,632	\$602,000	\$617,652

is part of the proposed \$27,438,437, which will be up for vote in front of the Charleston City Council later this month.

The numbers vary on the amount the state takes in, but the city gets a certain part per capita.

The amount received from the Motor Fuel Tax varies because it is a portion of the 19-cent per gallon tax. With the high price of gas, less gas has been purchased in the state.

The amount cities receive varies based on the number of miles driven in the state.

For the upcoming fiscal year, which starts May 1, it's estimated the state will give \$28.40 per capita from the Motor Fuel Tax. This would give the city about \$597,500.

The city has budgeted slightly higher to \$600,632 for the year.

In the 2007-08 budget, the city is projected to take in \$602,000. The state gave an estimated \$28.70 per capita.

For the 2006-2007 year, the city received \$617,652 from the Motor Fuel Tax when the per capita rate was \$28.93.

With the new budget, the city budgeted \$1,960,513 received from the state income tax. The state is estimated to give \$92.70 per capita.

This would be up from the \$1,903,410, or \$90 per capita, from the current fiscal year, and from the \$1,824,110, or \$84.22, received in the 2006-2007 budget.

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STATE | FRAUD

Former state treasurer employee charged with taking \$750,000

Three-count indictment claims money transferred to bank account created in 2005

The Associated Press

SPRINGFIELD — A former employee of the state treasurer's office was accused Tuesday of embezzling \$750,000 in taxpayer funds.

A federal grand jury indicted Debra Kirby on charges of wire fraud and money laundering, U.S. Attorney Rodger Heaton's office said. Prosecutors seek forfeiture of \$263,408, the amount they claim she used for her own gain.

The 53-year-old Taylorville resident worked for the state treasurer from 1973 until she retired in May 2006.

The three-count indictment claims Kirby transferred \$750,000 to a bank account she created in October 2005.

Kirby earned \$67,000 a year as the head of the division that handled payments between state agencies and banks.

She allegedly created paperwork showing the Revenue Department requested return of an overpayment of \$750,000. Instead, she allegedly transferred the money to her account, prosecutors said.

According to current Treasurer Alexi Giannoulis — who took office in 2007 — Kirby allegedly covered her tracks by replacing part of the money she took with \$263,408 that Pekin Hospital had intended to pay the federal government but sent to the state.

She allegedly repaid the balance of the \$750,000 with a check from the account she created. Giannoulis said his office discovered the discrepancy last fall and investigated the matter before alerting federal authorities.

A phone number for Kirby could not be located. Officials said no attorney had filed with the court to represent her.

The court will issue Kirby a summons to appear in court later.

If convicted on all counts, Kirby could be sentenced to 20 years in prison.

STATE | FIRE

At least 1 killed at hotel blaze in suburb

The Associated Press

LOCKPORT — A five-alarm fire tore through a suburban Chicago hotel early Tuesday, killing at least one person and injuring two others, authorities said.

The fire broke out at the three-story Towpath Inn just before 4 a.m., according to the Lockport Township Fire Protection District. Firefighters from several communities battled the blaze in the century-old brick building for hours before bringing it under control later in the morning.

One body was found on the third floor of the building, where the fire apparently started, Chief Rob Cronholm said. The body had not been identified Tuesday afternoon, and it was unclear whether the person was a resident at the hotel, he said. Two other people were being treated for non-life-threatening injuries.

The cause of the blaze was unknown. But Cronholm said an initial investigation, including a search by a dog trained to sniff out accelerants, had not revealed any indication the fire was intentionally set. The hotel registry showed as many as 14 people were staying at the hotel,

authorities said. All had been accounted for by the afternoon, Cronholm said, though he acknowledged officials were not sure of the registry's accuracy.

Cronholm said firefighters continued to search the building Tuesday afternoon.

Ed Zamora said he was sleeping in the second-story room, where he had lived about a week, when he heard people banging on his door and yelling. He had to rush out without any possessions, and "when I got outside, the whole roof was engulfed in flames."

"I'm very lucky to be alive for the fact that I was asleep, sound asleep, until all the yelling started," he said. "My alarm clock was not going to go off for another two hours."

Cronholm said when firefighters arrived, smoke and flames were pouring from the building, and crews had to run hoses from outside the downtown area to get enough water to fight the blaze.

"We didn't have enough water to fight the fire initially," Cronholm said. "Water mains downtown aren't quite what they should be for a water flow like this."

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NATION | FEDERAL PROJECTS

361 more miles to go

**Bush administration
bypasses more than 30
laws to finish 670 miles
of border fence**

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The Bush administration will use its authority to bypass more than 30 laws and regulations to finish building 670 miles of fence along the southwest U.S. border by the end of 2008, federal officials said Tuesday.

Invoking the two legal waivers, which Congress authorized, will cut through bureaucratic red tape and sidestep environmental laws that currently impede the Homeland Security Department from building 267 miles of fencing in California, Arizona, New Mexico and Texas, according to officials familiar with the plan.

The officials spoke on condition of anonymity because they were not authorized to comment publicly about it.

The move is the biggest use of legal waivers since the administration started building the fence, and it will cover a total of 470 miles along the Southwest border, the department said.

Previously, the department has

used its waiver authority for two portions of fence in Arizona and one portion in San Diego.

"Criminal activity at the border does not stop for endless debate or protracted litigation," Homeland Security Secretary Michael Chertoff said in a statement.

"These waivers will enable important security projects to keep moving forward."

As of March 17, there were 309 miles of fencing in place, leaving 361 to be completed by the end of the year to meet the department's goal.

Of those, 267 miles are being held up by federal, state and local laws and regulations, the officials said.

One waiver will address the construction of a 22-mile levee barrier in Hidalgo County, Texas.

The other waiver will cover 30 miles of fencing and technology deployment on environmentally sensitive ground in San Diego, southern Arizona and the Rio Grande; and 215 miles in California, Arizona and Texas that face other legal impediments due to administrative processes.

For instance, building in some areas requires assessments and studies that — if conducted — could not be completed in time to finish the fence by the end of the year.

Chertoff had said using the waiv-

ers would be a last resort.

The department has held more than 100 meetings with lawmakers, environmental groups and residents in an effort to work out obstacles and objections to fence construction.

The department will conduct environmental assessments when necessary. But the waivers enable the department to start building before completing the assessments.

Chertoff said the department will continue to ask for input on the construction plans.

Even as the fence is being built, debate continues about whether it will stem illegal immigration.

Fernando Carrillo, a 32-year-old construction worker who was deported from Arizona six months ago, said the added security wouldn't stop him from trying to get back to his wife and three children in Phoenix. His youngest child was born while he was in Mexico.

"They can do what they want, but we will keep trying," he said while walking Tuesday with two other migrants along the newly built wall west of Nogales.

He said they were heading to an area where the wall had yet to be built.

"Whatever they do, you just have to keep trying because there, if you work hard, you can make ends

meet," he said.

Residents and property owners along the U.S.-Mexico border have complained about the fence construction. In South Texas, where opposition has been widespread, land owners refused to give the government access to property along the fence route.

The government has since sued more than 50 property owners in South Texas to gain access to the land. Environmentalists have also complained about the fence because they say it puts already endangered species such as two types of wild cats — the ocelot and the jaguarundi — in even more danger of extinction.

They say the fence would prevent them from swimming across the Rio Grande to mate.

"Unwilling to consult with local communities or to follow long-standing laws, Secretary Chertoff chose to bypass stakeholders and push through this unpopular project on April Fool's Day," said Sierra Club executive director Carl Pope.

"We don't think the destruction of the borderlands region is a laughing matter."

Chertoff has said the fence is good for the environment because immigrants degrade the land with trash and human waste when they sneak illegally into the country.

WORLD BRIEFS

The Associated Press

**Raul Castro allows
shopping, new crops**

HAVANA — Cubans snapped up DVD players, motorbikes and pressure cookers for the first time Tuesday as Raul Castro's new government loosened controls on consumer goods and invited private farmers to plant tobacco, coffee and other crops on unused state land.

Combined with other reforms announced in recent days, the measures suggest real changes are being driven by the new president, who vowed when he took over from his brother Fidel to remove some of the more irksome limitations on the daily lives of Cubans.

**Colombian drug lord
sentenced in Brazil**

SAO PAULO, Brazil — A reputed Colombian drug lord whose cartel is accused of having shipped hundreds of tons of cocaine to the United States was sentenced Tuesday to more than 30 years in prison in Brazil for crimes committed in that country.

Juan Carlos Ramirez Abadia, who was arrested last year in Brazil, was found guilty of money laundering, corruption, conspiracy and use of false documents in the South American country.

**Britain halts plans to
withdraw 1,500 soldiers**

BAGHDAD — Britain froze plans Tuesday to withdraw about 1,500 soldiers this spring after the faltering effort to drive Shiite militias from Basra raised doubts whether the Iraqis are capable of maintaining security in oil-rich southern Iraq.

**China labels Dalai Lama
a 'wolf in monk's robes'**

BEIJING — China has branded the Dalai Lama a "wolf in monk's robes" and his followers the "scum of Buddhism."

It stepped up the rhetoric Tuesday, accusing the Nobel Peace laureate and his supporters of planning suicide attacks.

The Tibetan government-in-exile swiftly denied the charge, and the Bush administration rushed to the Tibetan Buddhist leader's defense, calling him "a man of peace."

NATION | JUVENILE CRIME

Third-graders' planned attack on teacher foiled

**Steak knife, handcuffs,
duct tape confiscated**

The Associated Press

WAYCROSS, Ga. — A group of third-graders plotted to attack their teacher, bringing a broken steak knife, handcuffs, duct tape and other items for the job and assigning children tasks including covering the windows and cleaning up afterward, police said Tuesday.

The plot involving as many as nine boys and girls at Center Elementary School in south Georgia was a serious threat, Waycross Police Chief Tony Tanner said.

School officials alerted police Friday after a pupil tipped off a teacher that a girl had brought a weapon to school.

Tanner said the students apparently planned to knock the teacher unconscious with a crystal paper-

weight, bind her with the handcuffs and tape and then stab her with the knife.

"We did not hear anybody say they intended to kill her, but could they have accidentally killed her? Absolutely," Tanner said. "We feel like if they weren't interrupted, there would have been an attempt. Would they have been successful? We don't know."

The children, ages 8 to 10, were apparently mad at the teacher because she had scolded one of them for standing on a chair, Tanner said.

Two of the students were arrested on juvenile charges Tuesday and a third arrest was expected.

District Attorney Rick Currie said other students told investigators they didn't take the plot seriously or insisted they had decided not to participate.

"Some of the kids said, 'We thought they were just kidding,'"

Currie said. "Another child was supposed to bring a toy pistol, and he told a detective he didn't bring it because he thought he would get in trouble."

Currie said the children are too young to be charged as adults, and probably too young to be sentenced to a youth detention center.

Police seized a steak knife with a broken handle, steel handcuffs, duct tape, electrical and transparent tape, ribbons and the paperweight from the students, Tanner said.

Currie said he decided to seek juvenile charges against two girls, ages 9 and 10, who brought the knife and paperweight and an 8-year-old boy who brought tape.

He said all three students faced charges of conspiracy to commit aggravated assault, and both girls were being charged with bringing weapons to school.

Nine children have been giv-

en discipline up to and including long-term suspension, said Theresa Martin, spokeswoman for the Ware County school system.


She would not be more specific but said none of the children had been back to school since the case came to light.

The purported target is a veteran educator who teaches third-grade students with learning disabilities, including attention deficit disorder, delayed development and hyperactivity, friends and parents said.

The scheme involved a division of roles, Tanner said. One child's job was to cover windows so no one could see outside, he said. Another was supposed to clean up after the attack.

"We're not sure at this point in the investigation how many of the students actually knew the intent was to hurt the teacher," Tanner said.

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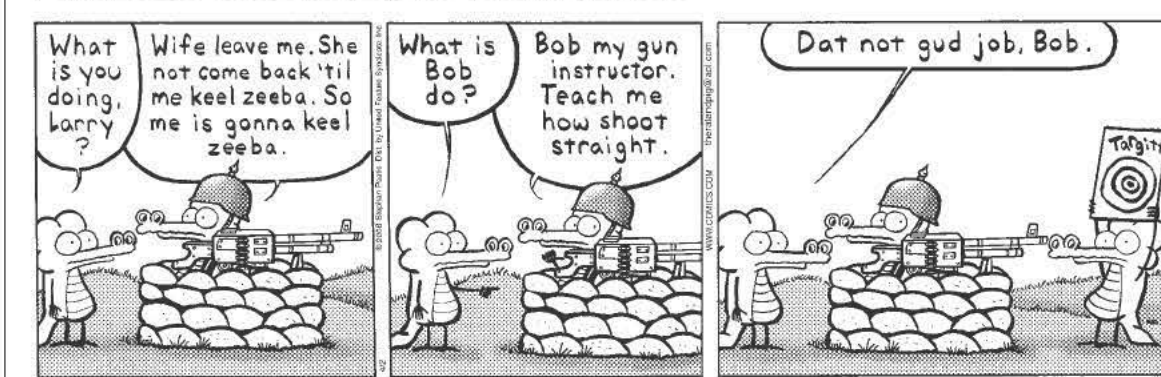
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PEARLS BEFORE SWINE | BY STEPHAN PASTIS



GET FUZZY | BY DARBY CONLEY



The New York Times Crossword Edited by Will Shortz No. 0220

ACROSS

1 Cause of a skin rash

7 Rug, so to speak

10 Bugle tune

14 Quenched

15 Very close friend, in slang

16 Miner's entry

17 "Back to the Future" subject

19 Guadalajara greeting

20 Police dispatch, for short

21 Hare Krishnas' wear

22 TV station, e.g.

23 Eastern way

24 Old master's work

25 Best suited

26 Marine raptor

28 Fans often have it

31 Moonshiner's setup

33 Give a ticket

34 ___-cone

35 Earthquake site

39 Medium's claim

42 Fraternal org.

43 Interior designer's focus

47 Flaky sort

51 Horror film staple

52 Parts of a Christmas Eve service

DOWN

1 Homes with electronic gates, maybe

2 Some newsletter pictures

3 Machine on a skating rink

4 Barely make, with "out"

5 Way around Paris

6 Far from klutzy

53 Court org.

55 Hwys.

56 Some doctoral exams

57 Simon Wiesenthal's quarry

59 Opus ___ ("The Da Vinci Code" group)

60 Defaulter's loss

61 C-E-G triad, e.g.

63 Some Feds

64 ___ disadvantage

65 It can precede the first words of 17-, 28-, 35-, 47- and 61-Across

66 What matches are made of

67 It may leave marks

68 Doesn't stick to the straight and narrow

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PUZZLE BY CHUCK HAMILTON

7 Hi sign?

8 Sews up

9 Styling aid

10 "Omoo" island

11 Devoted fans

12 Enters helter-skelter

13 Opening of

18 Having the right stuff

22 Stick on

25 Italian wine city

27 2003 Will Ferrell title role

29 Made a scene?

30 Army, navy and air force: Abbr.

32 Prada and Fendi

36 Food pkg. markings

37 Mauna ___ org.

38 Brain scan letters

39 Offerers of arms

40 "Puh-lease!"

41 Defensive wall

44 Spanish capital under the Moors

45 Not helter-skelter

46 Lives

48 Parts of analogies

49 Automaker Ferrari

50 Alternatives to 'Vettes

54 Race site since 1711

57 Brussels-based

58 It's "stronger than dirt"

61 War room fixture

62 "Ben-___"

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE

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FOOTBALL | NOTEBOOK

Panthers back to gridiron

By Scott Richey
Sports Editor

Eastern started its spring football practices last Wednesday.

Head football coach Bob Spoo said he couldn't be more pleased with the effort the Panthers have put in through the first of the early-season practices.

"I think they know what's at stake, and I'm real pleased with their efforts," Spoo said. "I think our guys are playing hard."

Spoo said he is not yet focused on individual improvements or competition at positions. He's looking at the progress this spring from more of a team aspect, he said.

Eastern's drive during the spring practices is making that progression easier. Spoo said the intensity of the practices is one thing he has noticed the most.

"I want to see them keep the same kind of tempo and the same kind of attitude," Spoo said.

He said it was the coaching staff's responsibility to make sure the team didn't falter in its effort and its attitude during spring practice.

Red-shirt sophomore quarterback Bodie Reeder said the team's drive has come from wanting to be back on the field after a long winter. He said one of his motivations was to move past Eastern's first-round loss in the 2007 Football Championship Subdivision Playoffs.

"We have a bad taste in our mouth after losing to Southern (Illinois)," Reeder said.

Freshman quarterback Luke Hockaday said Eastern's new offensive coordinator, Roy Wittke, has brought new energy to the field.

Hockaday said Wittke is energetic and upbeat during practice. Although Wittke will fearlessly get in players' faces if they mess up, he is also quick with encouragement.



NORA MABERRY | THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

Freshman quarterback Luke Hockaday calls the play from the shotgun formation during the start of football spring practice at O'Brien Stadium last week Hockaday said the new offense takes time to get adjusted to.

Adjusting to a new offense

Spoo made his intentions clear when he announced Eastern would look into switching from its pro-style offense to the spread offense during the 2008 National Signing Day.

"We set out intentionally not to bring in a 6-5 drop back quarterback," Spoo said when he announced the 2008 recruiting class on Feb. 6.

"That's not our style any longer."

Spoo's intentions remain the same through the first week of spring practices.

The Panthers' offense lined up in a traditional spread formation, with a single running back and three wide receivers. This is a departure from last season when Eastern used a two-back backfield (one fullback).

Spoo said the switch to the spread offense has meant learning new formations and sets.

"The kids are picking it up," he said. "They're adapting well."

Adjusting to the new offense has been a challenge, Reeder said. Wittke demands a lot from the quarterbacks, but it is good to be pushed to the limits.

Although he is the returning starter at quarterback, Reeder said the switch to the spread offense has jumbled the depth chart.

"Usually, the returning starter will have more experience than the guys behind him," Reeder said.

That is not the case this year, as learning a new offense has put all three quarterbacks on the same level, Reeder said.

Spoo said Reeder is more relaxed and comfortable running Eastern's offense because of his years of experience, but he said Reeder could not rest on that.

"Anybody can move ahead of anyone else," Spoo said.

Hockaday said he is picking up the new offense a little more each practice. Everybody is getting better each day, but it is difficult because the spread is a different style than he is used to playing, he said.

Secondary gets more depth

Eastern's defensive back corps is back to full strength with the addition of junior free safety Seymour Loftman.

Loftman missed the entire 2007 season following summer surgery for a shoulder injury. He said it felt good to be back on the field, but he said he did feel some hesitation.

"Once you get the pads on, it's OK," Loftman said. "I'm excited to be back with my teammates. I'm a little behind on technique. I've got to be ready to hit again."

Every day is a competition among Eastern's defensive backs because six or seven guys could compete for playing time, Loftman said.

"I think we have a lot of experience," he said about Eastern's secondary. "We expect to be the leaders of the defense."

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SOFTBALL | EASTERN AT ILLINOIS (DH)

Pitchers take experience against Illini

After defeating Illinois for the first time last season, Panthers look to do it again

By Kevin Murphy
Associate Sports Editor

The Eastern softball team finally did it.

The Panthers beat Illinois for the first time in school history last season.

But that was Illinois and Eastern last season.

Both teams will have a different makeup this season when the Panthers play Illinois at 4 p.m. today at Eichelberger Field in Urbana.

Eastern's pitching staff has the most experience against the Fighting Illini (17-17).

Senior Karyn Mackie and junior Kathleen Jacoby have pitched the past four games against Illinois.

Mackie was instrumental in last season's win against Eastern.

She gave up five hits, four runs, walked three and had one strikeout, but she had enough run support to get the 9-4 win.

"It was exciting to just beat them for once," Mackie said.

Illinois head coach Terri Sullivan said Mackie did a solid pitching job against them last year and she expects the same this season.



JOHN BAILEY | THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

Junior pitcher Kathleen Jacoby practices her swing at Williams Field. Jacoby has been an affective reliever this year and might have to take some at-bats this season with an injury-prone squad. The Panthers will play Illinois in a doubleheader that begins at 4 this afternoon in Urbana.

EASTERN PITCHERS AGAINST ILLINOIS										
April 24, 2007: Eastern 9, Illinois 4; Illinois 5, Eastern 3										
Name	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	AB	BF		
K. Mackie	7	5	4	1	3	1	27	30		
K. Jacoby	9	3	5	5	5	8	30	37		
April 26, 2007: Illinois 5, Eastern 3; Illinois 4, Eastern 3										
Name	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	AB	BF		
K. Jacoby	6	8	5	2	5	1	27	32		
K. Mackie	6	7	4	3	1	1	24	25		

Mackie said she plans to follow a similar game plan this season.

She said she would use a variety of pitches to keep the Fighting Illini off-balance.

Jacoby pitched nine innings in a losing effort last season giving, up five runs on three hits in a 5-3 Illini win.

Close games have been common

between Eastern (10-13) and the Fighting Illini. The Panthers lost 5-3 and 4-3 in 2006 and 4-2 in 2005.

Even though Illinois does not lead the nation in home runs – a stat they held the last time Eastern played them – the Fighting Illini are still a home run threat.

"We feel good about our offense," Sullivan said. "(Although), the bats can just get quiet on you."

Illinois senior shortstop Angelena Mexicano leads the team with 11 home runs and 30 RBIs this season. She led the Fighting Illini in RBIs and was second in home runs last season.

"You intentionally walk her or don't give her anything to hit," Jacoby said. "You throw way too outside or way too inside."

Eastern is also looking to use the doubleheader against Illinois to help drive it toward three conference games against Samford this weekend at Williams Field.

The Panthers have won six of their past nine games and two in a row.

But Eastern head coach Kim Schuette said she wants to play games no matter who the opponent is.

"We're just excited to play," Schuette said.

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EASTERN (10-13) AT ILLINOIS (17-17)		
DOUBLEHEADER		
Where: Eichelberger Field in Urbana		
When: 4 p.m.		
Series: Illinois leads 10-1		
Last Eastern win: Eastern 9-4 in 2007		
Eastern Probable Starters		
Pos.	Name	Average
SS	M. Nelson	.309
LF	S. Militello	.000
2B	S. Coppert	.364
RF	R. Mackie	.324
3B	K. Holtz	.254
CF	D. Menzione	.274
P	K. Mackie	.186
C	A. Nolte	.119
1B	M. Jackson	.293
Starting Pitcher		
K. Mackie (5-5) 2.52 ERA		
Illinois Probable Starters		
Pos.	Name	Average
2B	D. Zymkowitz	.336
SS	A. Mexicano	.352
3B	S. Diller	.382
C	L. Armstrong	.317
LF	H. Pinchback	.303
RF	H. Howell	.291
CF	S. Bryers	.257
DP	K. Ross	.203
1B	A. Gallien	.184
Starting Pitcher		
C. DeVreese (12-11) 2.59 ERA		

NATIONAL SPORTS

MLB
Toronto vs. Yankees |
6 p.m. on ESPN
NBA
Indiana at Boston |
7 p.m. on ESPN
MLB
St. Louis vs. Colorado |
7:15 p.m. on Fox Sports Midwest

TRIPLE THREAT



Kim Schuette

Eastern head softball coach Kim Schuette (above) and the Panthers play Illinois in a doubleheader at 4 p.m. today at Eichelberger Field in Urbana. Illinois and Eastern played last year, and the Panthers won for the first time ever against the school 45 minutes to the north, with a 9-4 win in the first game. Illinois came into last year's game against Eastern, leading the nation in home runs with 78. While the two teams meet earlier in the schedule and Illinois doesn't lead the nation in home runs this year, the Fighting Illini are still a respectable long-ball threat.

This season, Illinois head coach Terri Sullivan's team has only 36 and is 15th in the nation in home runs per game. By comparison, Eastern has only hit nine home runs this season.

Here are three home-run hitters Eastern pitchers should watch out for today.

1. Angelena Mexicano — The senior from San Jose, Calif., leads the team with 11 home runs and 30 RBIs this season. Illinois' shortstop led the team last season in home runs as well.

2. Shanna Diller — The senior from Bloomington has six home runs this season. Illinois' third baseman can be an imposing sight at the plate, standing at 5 feet, 10 inches and batting left-handed.

3. Lana Armstrong — Armstrong broke Illinois' single-season RBI record with a home run against the Panthers last season in Eastern's 9-4 win. The junior catcher from Rowlett, Texas, is third on the team this season in home runs with five.

-Kevin Murphy



DAN CUSACK

Any condition goes

Last Saturday was the men's and women's first outdoor meet of the season — and the weather was chilly.

One look at the bleachers saw fans bundling up in blankets and moving around to keep warm.

We sat and watched as these athletes performed in tights and shorts, performing in the same weather we were trying to combat.

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BASEBALL | EASTERN 4, MONMOUTH COLLEGE 3

Panthers escape with win

Two-run triple in seventh inning drives Eastern to victory over Fighting Scots

By Scott Richey
Sports Editor

Eastern rallied against Monmouth College in the bottom of the seventh for a 4-3 victory on Tuesday afternoon at Coaches Stadium.

The Panthers scored two runs in that frame to take the lead after the Fighting Scots had scored two runs in the top of the fourth inning to regain a one-run lead against Eastern.

Monmouth took an early lead in the first inning when junior shortstop Kevin Sashko scored after drawing a leadoff walk.

Eastern scored two runs in the bottom of the third on a two-run single by sophomore left fielder Curt Restko to take a one-run lead.

The Panthers took the lead for good in the seventh.

Sophomore first baseman Alex Gee led off the seventh with a swinging strikeout as he chased a ball low and away.

Junior right fielder Ryan Lindquist followed Gee's strikeout with a groundout to third base.

Freshman shortstop Cameron Strang started the Panthers' rally with a two-out single to left-center field and advanced to second on an error by Monmouth freshman left fielder Robbie Hinkle.

Freshman catcher Bart Thyer drew a walk to put runners on first



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Junior pitcher Brian Morrell threw a perfect eighth inning against Monmouth on Tuesday at Coaches Stadium. Morrell struckout one batter. The Panthers won 4-3. Eastern will be play Chicago State at 3 this afternoon at Coaches Stadium. Eastern junior centerfielder Brett Nommensen hit a two-run triple in the bottom of the seventh inning. Nommensen went 3-for-4 and also scored a run. Freshman pitcher Ryan Green earned the save.

and second.

Eastern junior centerfielder Brett Nommensen then laced the first pitch he saw over Monmouth senior right fielder Matt McIntire's head for a two-run triple, scoring Strang and Thyer.

Monmouth head coach Roger

Sander said he went into Tuesday's game trying to play as many players as possible, but with the expectation to win.

"If we don't hit a nine hitter and walk a nine hitter (Thyer) who comes around to score twice, Eastern's still batting in the ninth, and

we're leading 3-2," Sander said.

Nommensen said his focus at the plate in the seventh was to score the runner on second to tie the game. With two outs, he said he wasn't trying to hit the ball hard.

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MEN'S AND WOMEN'S TENNIS | EASTERN VS. CHICAGO STATE

Women could be down three

Men confident going into match against Chicago State at Darling Courts

By JC Clark
Staff Reporter

The Eastern women's tennis team could be shorthanded when they play Chicago State at 4 p.m. today at Darling Courts.

Eastern head coach John Blackburn said Tuesday the women's team could potentially be without freshmen Cara Huck and Abby Allgire and sophomore Hayley Homburg for today's match.

Blackburn said they would be listed as day-to-day, and he would not know until the warm-ups before the match.

The trio sat out Sunday's match against Tennessee State because Blackburn said they could use the rest.

However, the three players sitting out made room for junior Lydia Pond to play in her first match of the season at No. 5 singles.

Pond won 1-6, 6-3, 10-7.

The women's tennis team (10-4) had to forfeit the sixth match



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Senior Chris Thomas hits a forehand volley during tennis practice at Darling Courts. The Panthers take on Chicago State at 3 this afternoon.

because it did not have enough players.

The men's and women's tennis teams are also supposed to play their first games of the season at Darling Courts.

The cracks in the courts' surfaces were repaired last week and if the weather permits, the home match will be played as scheduled.

The weather forecast calls for a dry afternoon with temperatures in the 50s today.

Junior Natalie Martin said she

and her teammates are anxious to play at home.

"We love our home courts," Martin said. "We'll have home court advantage, and even if it could be a little warmer, it definitely beats driving five hours to play somewhere."

Martin said the Cougars' strong top of their lineup, combined with the weather conditions could make for a difficult afternoon.

"It'll be a tough match, especially since we haven't been playing outdoors," Martin said.

The match against TSU was moved to Lantz Fieldhouse because of inclement weather.

Two matches against Ohio Valley Conferences foes Tennessee Tech and Tennessee-Martin were moved to the Atkins Tennis Center in Urbana last weekend.

The Eastern men's team (10-6) is confident going into today's match against Chicago State.

Blackburn said last Friday's win against Eastern Kentucky was a huge morale boost for his squad.

Sophomore Jeff Rutherford won both of his matches in front of his family and friends from Richmond, Ky.

Last season, Eastern Kentucky defeated the Panthers, 7-0, at Darling Courts and 4-2 in the first round of the OVC Tournament.

Rutherford's doubles partner and junior Vuk Milicevic echoed the coach's sentiments.

"If we can beat ECU, we can beat anyone," Milicevic said.

Even with their high level of confidence, Blackburn said Chicago State should be a competitive match.

"They've always had a talented men's team," Blackburn said.

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EASTERN SPORTS SCHEDULE

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Today vs. Chicago State |
3 p.m. — Coaches Stadium

MEN'S AND WOMEN'S TENNIS
Today vs. Chicago State |
3 p.m. — Darling Courts

SOFTBALL
Today at Illinois (DH) |
4 p.m. — Urbana

OUTDOOR TRACK
Thursday at Big Blue Classic |
All Day — O'Brien Stadium

WOMEN'S GOLF
Friday at Illini Spring Classic |
All Day — Urbana