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ENERGY BOOST



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President Bill Perry discusses the features of the upcoming Center for Clean Energy Research and Education Wednesday in Rotary Room A in the Charleston Carnegie Public Library.

Perry describes center's future

By Marcus Smith
Online Editor

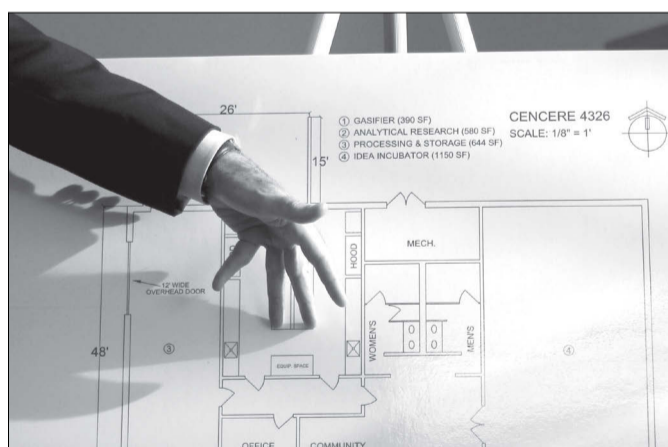
The people of Charleston came out Wednesday to Rotary Room A at the Charleston Carnegie Public Library with their questions and ideas for the upcoming Center for Clean Energy Research and Education estimated to cost \$1 million and take one year to build.

One person, who identified himself as a carpenter here at Eastern, suggested the eaves be moved out to provide more shade to keep the building cooler and save on energy cost.

President Bill Perry said that the suggestion would be taken into consideration and that it will be discussed further at the second meeting Wednesday at 6 p.m. and also said that energy efficiencies will be a concern in the design and construction of this building.

"But it doesn't have to be that way," Perry said. "As we found out when we took down the old scrubber the folks in the student services building had to wear sunglasses in the morning...so point taken."

Another person asked what other things would be planted on the land West of the Renewable Energy Plant, other than the poplar that has al-



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President Bill Perry goes over the floor plan of the upcoming Center for Clean Energy Research and Education Wednesday in Rotary Room A in the Charleston Carnegie Public Library.

ready been planted there and it was reported that a variety of grasses and other types of trees.

Perry said there is four out of ten acres of land in use presently.

One person asked if community gardening would be considered, and Perry said there are issues of access that would have to be looked at and there are a number of aspects to take into consideration.

He said that there will be chemistry labs and a community learning space also.

Perry envisions the center as away to inspire young students to become interested in the sciences and said they are in talks with the Charleston School district to incorporate an entrepreneurial class at the center.

He said if they could use the center to get these young students excited about renewable energy that there would be an area set aside called the Idea Incubator, for students to start working with concepts they envision and develop them into something tangible.

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CAMPUS

Emergency drill to be performed at Eastern

Drills performed to remain secret until Tuesday

By Seth Schroeder
News Editor

Eastern officials are planning on having numerous emergency vehicles and personnel swarming the campus Tuesday; however, it will only be a drill.

According to a press release from Eastern, the drill will be part of the Illinois Emergency Management Agency's 2012 State Level Exercise. The exercise is held annually and rotates through different parts of the state.

Vicki Woodard, coordinator of public information, said in an email that the drill is expected to start around 8 a.m. and be over by noon. There will also be a press release at 3 p.m. in the Grand Ballroom of the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union for those with questions about the exercise.

According to the press release, the drill will be the first time a drill of this magnitude will take place on campus. There will be sirens, simulated gunshots, a helicopter flying overhead and warning messages sent out through email and text messages.

The messages will have disclaimers letting recipients know the emergency is only a simulation.

There will be no parking on Seventh Street between Johnson and Grant avenues.

Woodard said the drill has been in preparation for two years and will be more extensive than the annual emergency training that many campus employees go through.

"We want to be prepared," Wood-

Numerous parking lots and streets will be closed to accommodate for the exercise including:

- The parking lot on Ninth Street and Roosevelt Drive (directly West of Greek Court)
- The parking lot East of the Doudna Fine Arts Center by Ninth Street
- The University Police Department parking lot between the UPD and Doudna
- The McAfee Gym parking lot
- The parking lot of the Student Services Building
- The Blair Hall South drive

ard said. "This helps strengthen our emergency preparedness and helps our interaction with emergency organizations."

She said the exact details of the drill will remain a secret until the exercise starts in order to better simulate a real-world emergency.

"We don't want to give the game away ahead of time," Woodard said.

Eastern's emergency management team will be called together as they would be in a real-life emergency and will respond as if the situation was real, Woodard said.

In the press release, William Weber, vice president for business affairs, advised those on campus not to be surprised by what they see.

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CITY

Charleston community views Venus transit

Planet passes in front of Sun, causes uproar

By Seth Schroeder
News Editor

As a child, Charleston resident Bob Rubendunst vacationed with his family to Michigan. He said that is where he first became interested in astronomy.

"It was the first time seeing the night sky without the city lights. It was kind of awe-inspiring," Rubendunst said.

He said when he moved out to the country he decided to take advantage of the good views.

Rubendunst, along with several other community members, set up a variety of telescopes Tuesday outside the Charleston Carnegie Public Library to give the public a chance to view a rare astronomical event that will not happen again until December 2117.

The event involved Venus traveling across the face of the sun in a manner similar to a solar eclipse. The planet's transit is nearly impossible and dangerous to view without a solar filter.

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In the feature photo "Be Jammin" in the June 5 edition of *The Daily Eastern News*, Jake Bays, Jesse Wilson-Brown, Josh Keck and Dylan Coffey's year in school was incorrect. All four are incoming freshmen at Charleston High School. *The News* regrets this error.

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CITY



SUBMITTED PHOTO

Members of the Vineyard Church gather outside of the building.

Vineyard Church to open near Eastern

By Seth Schroeder
News Editor

Pastor Tim Wheeler said the Vineyard Church tries to balance its ministry between being biblically rooted, culturally relevant and spiritually powerful.

Wheeler, his wife and several other members of the Vineyard community are currently working on opening a church on Seventh Street, east of Old Main.

The church will be a part a larger group of Vineyard Churches with campuses across the nation. Wheeler said the Charleston "campus" of Vineyard will likely have its first service 9:15 a.m. and 11 a.m. on September 30.

Currently, Wheeler said groups of Vineyard's members have been meeting at the church on Sunday evenings.

He said Vineyard is always hoping to connect with people and that students will likely see them on campus doing give-

aways.

"We hope to have a good college ministry," Wheeler said.

He said even though Vineyard will be very close to Eastern's campus, it will not be exclusively aimed at college students.

"We're a real diverse group," Wheeler said. "We're really a place for anybody here."

As Vineyard gets established, Wheeler said they will likely try and provide services needed in the community like the local food pantry.

He said Vineyard will not aim to compete with or be better than other churches in the area, but will instead work with them when they can.

Services at Vineyard will be contemporary and include music, Wheeler said.

"Stylistically we want to be culturally relevant," Wheeler said. "We want to speak the language of the culture."

He said the building only recently got sound equipment,

but the location they are renting does not require too many significant renovations. Wheeler said they hope to improve their signage, set up a coffee-and-welcome center and decorate their kids area with castle designs to better fit their theme.

Wheeler said he and his wife were actively involved in the Vineyard Church in Syracuse, N.Y., and when they moved to the Midwest in 2009 they visited the Vineyard location in Champaign. From there they decided to help start the Vineyard location in Charleston.

"We just kind of realized God was calling us," Wheeler said. "Not just Charleston specifically but new church work."

He said he and the church hope to have real conversations with people.

"There's a lot of lonely people. How do we have conversations with those people?" Vineyard said. "It's OK if we disagree."

Wheeler said their goal is to

"We're a real diverse group. We're really a place for anybody here."

Pastor Tim Wheeler

continue the ministry of Jesus and to help people develop a connection with a community of hope in a real way that changes their lives.

"There's a lot of people disconnected from Jesus," Wheeler said. "We believe God is real and he's crazy about the world."

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Debut groups bring business to University Union bookstore

By **John Downen**
Opinions Editor

With Debut orientation programs for Eastern's incoming freshman and transfer students officially underway, many businesses on campus are seeing orientation as a way to generate revenue.

The employees at the Union Bookstore in the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union see these groups as a huge staple of their success over the summer and plans around Debut's hours and tours.

Mitch Coe, manager of the Union Bookstore, said the Debut program gives significant business to the bookstore.

Coe said orientation is by far the busiest time during the summer.

While the influx of Debut groups definitely gives the bookstore more business, Coe said the groups have been more spread out this year than in the past.

Coe said the bookstore runs promotions and sales throughout the summer to encourage new students to come in, including distributing coupons for 10 percent discounts at the bookstore.

"We pass out coupons and promotional stuff to Debut groups in order to attract them to come in," Coe said.

The change in the Debut schedule for this year has also affected the

way that the bookstore is staffed.

Coe said in past years, the busiest time for Debut groups to visit the bookstore was at lunchtime.

Coe said he brings in more staff during the lunch hours but also keeps more people on for later in the day, which because of the change in Debut hours is when most groups finally have free time to shop.

The bookstore is usually open 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday to Thursday and 8 to 11:30 a.m. Friday.

Coe is more flexible with the hours with Debut groups.

"Sometimes we stay open later than 4:30 (p.m.)," Coe said. "Pretty much, we stay open until every group and family has had a change to come in."

Because Debut groups do not visit on Fridays, the bookstore sees much less business than on other weekdays.

Coe said while profits during the summer do not usually match those of the regular school year, the bookstore sells a large portion of Apple products, including laptops.

Coe attributed the rise in laptop sales to their necessity among college students, although the bookstore sees little profit from the sale of Apple products.

However, the store also sees a sizeable increase in the amount of clothing purchased, as incoming students are eager to finally buy Panther



FILE PHOTO | THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

Illinois Valley Central High School student Stephanie Hawkins, of Chilli-cothe, Ill., shops for sweatpants February 21, 2011 in the University Union Bookstore.

clothes.

Katie Dusek, who will be attending Eastern in the fall, said she bought Eastern clothes for next year.

"I'm an incoming freshman and need a new wardrobe," Dusek said.

Her mother, Nancy Dusek, also said they were also purchasing clothes for her daughter's siblings to get them excited for their sister's arrival on Eastern's campus.

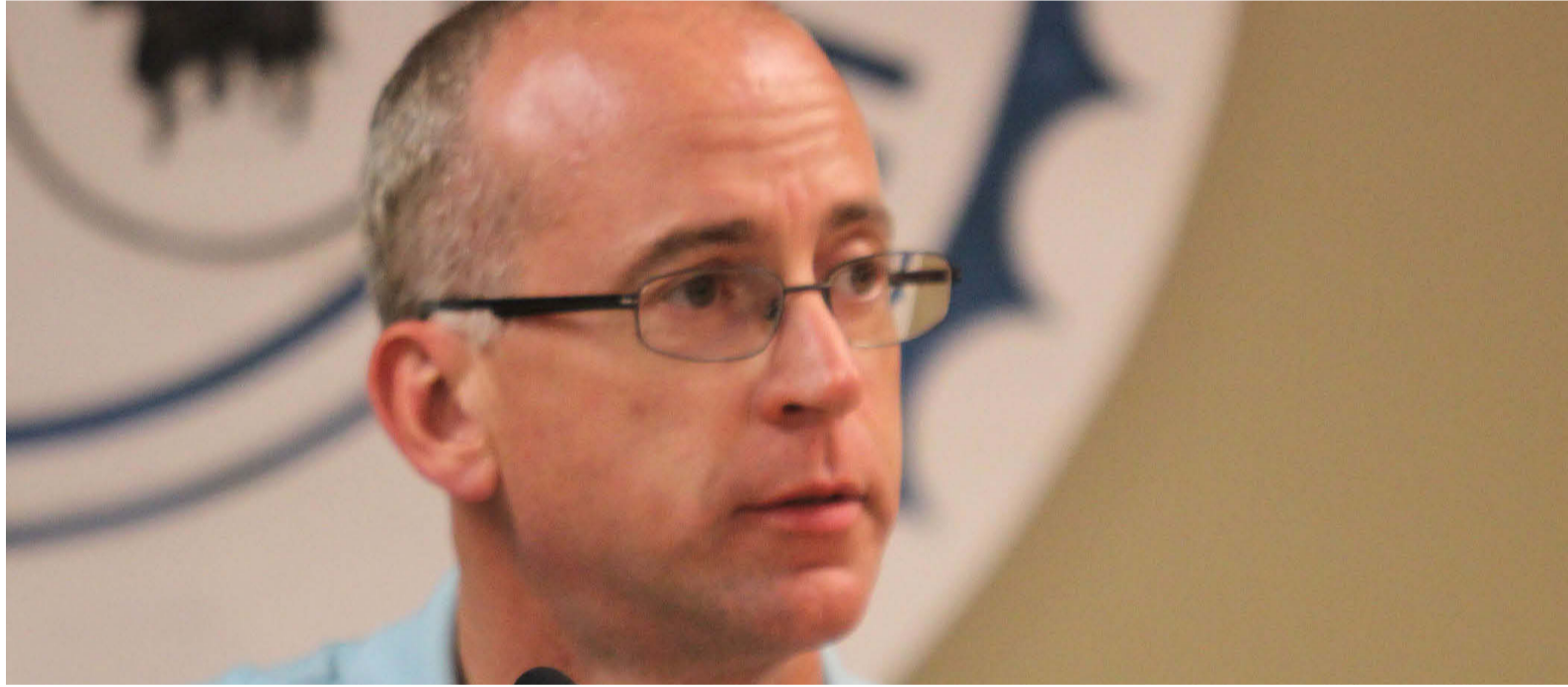
Katarina Warner, another incoming freshman, bought sweatshirts, a

glass and T-shirts as part of a present from her mother and father for high school graduation.

Beth Piestir, an incoming freshman, was eager to buy Eastern gear, as well as an EIU lanyard. "It's a must-have item," Piestir said.

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CITY COUNCIL



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Mayor John Inyart speaks during a City Council meeting Tuesday at City Hall. During their meeting the Council approved several road construction projects and street closings.

Charleston to close, widen streets

By **Tim Deters**
Managing Editor

The Charleston City Council voted on Tuesday to close several streets on or near Eastern's campus for construction and state exercises.

The city council also voted to close a section of Monroe Avenue to parking, granted funds to Eastern's athletics department and approved bids for replacing a sewer lift station and construction at 513 Seventh St.

The city council unanimously voted to close Seventh Street between Johnson and Grant avenues from 7 to 11 a.m. on June 12.

The Illinois Emergency Management Agency will be conducting exercises on and near Seventh Street to test preparedness of state agencies for shooting and hazardous ma-

terials situations, Mayor John Inyart said.

The council also voted unanimously to close Fourth Street along the Lantz Arena east parking lot between Grant Avenue and Roosevelt Drive from June 25 to 29.

A new fire line will be constructed on the east side of Fourth Street to set up a fire hydrant to serve Ford, McKinney and Weller halls.

The council also voted to acquire right-of-way property from several residents near the intersection of Ninth Street and Polk Avenue.

The purchase will allow the city to widen both streets, Inyart said.

A date for construction to begin widening Ninth Street and Polk Avenue has not yet been set, said Greg Culp, assistant director of public works.

Construction is expected to last 12 weeks, he said.

In other business, the council voted unanimously to:

- Prohibit parking on the north side of Monroe Avenue between Fifth and Sixth streets and creating a bus stop at the location
- Grant \$3,000 in tourism funds to Eastern's athletics department
- Grant \$2,000 in tourism funds to Eastern's department of kinesiology and sports department
- Approve a bid of \$82,149 from Vandevanter Engineering Co. of Decatur to replace a sewer lift station, used to pump sewage uphill, on Stoner Drive
- Approve a bid of \$72,456.32 from Kross Masonry of Newman for masonry work at 513 Seventh St., property acquired by the city to

ensure the surrounding buildings' structural integrity

- Approve a bid of \$29,213 and \$11,500 from GEM Carpentry of Charleston for carpentry work at 513 Seventh St. for structural integrity and to replace second-story windows, respectively.
- Approve a bid of \$17,950 from Superior Glass and Aluminum Company of Mattoon to replace a storefront window at 513 Seventh St.

The Charleston City Council meets the first and third Tuesday of every month at 7:30 p.m. in City Hall.

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EDUCATION

Students gear up for exams

By **John Downen**
Opinions Editor

With the four-week session of summer school ending this week, Eastern's campus has resumed its usual hustle and bustle for final exams.

While most students certainly do not look forward to spending the first week of June studying for final exams, the warm weather provides many different places to study.

A simple walk across Eastern's campus shows that students are migrating out of the Booth Library, using the nice weather as a change of scenery for studying.

Deborah Fennema, who works at the library's reference desk, said during the summer session, the library sees significantly smaller crowds of students.

"I would say that we get maybe one-tenth of our regular amount of students during the summer," Fennema said.

Fennema said the library is usually busiest around dinnertime during the week, and credits the earlier arrival of students to their condensed hours.

Because the library is only open until 10 p.m. during the summer, more students are choosing to study elsewhere, including outside.

John Zappa, a senior elementary education major, also said his study habits change during the summer.

"Since it's nice out, and because of the condensed workload of my classes, it's easier for me to study outside in between my classes," Zappa said.

He also said even though classes are only in session for four weeks, he has to study more vigorously than he would normally.

Although classes are much shorter, students are still expected to learn as much as they would in a regular semester-long class.

Because of the immense amount of material often covered, many students started studying for their finals earlier in the summer than they normally would in the regular school year.

Rachel Mayer, a junior accounting major, said she prefers regular classes to taking classes in the summer.

"I don't like it because a week of school is like a month of regular class," Mayer said.

"I have to pretty much study every day after class because of how much stuff there is."

Nala Tin, a sophomore management information systems major, also prefers normal classes.

Tin said she likes how short the classes are in the summer, but she prefers taking classes during the regular school year.

While the length of the first summer session may appeal to those looking to earn quick credit hours, the dense course loads that accompany many classes can sometimes be daunting to students.

Most students said, while they are only taking one or two classes during this session, they feel they have to work much harder and prepare further in advance than they would for normally scheduled class.

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STAFF EDITORIAL

A whole world of information awaits students

Last week, members of our staff traveled to Indianapolis for a seminar on “watchdog journalism.”

In the seminar, we were refreshed on the importance of the Freedom of Information Act and how to effectively investigate companies, political bodies and even individuals.

While there, we were charged to “be advocates for the advocate-less”—essentially, the idea that journalists should serve as an intermediate between government and the masses.

As a publication, we approach that endeavor with the utmost seriousness, using the conference as a way to learn how to improve as an organization.

However, the public should not necessarily rely on media to completely inform them. Instead, you should try to understand your right to certain information. Any group working as a governmental body is legally committed to share most of their operations, including meeting agendas, sign-in sheets, call and text message logs, and even certain types of emails.

The general public should educate themselves on what is rightfully theirs, as it only enhances political awareness and activism.

While in Indianapolis, our staff also learned some important methods for procuring information—methods we believe should be shared, as they are mutually beneficial to all of us.

A large part of the seminar focused on how Google, while it may have quirky logo changes and quick searches, only represents a small fraction of available information.

However, by utilizing other search engines, as well as learning to use Google’s advanced search options, research becomes much easier and efficient.

Google’s advanced option allows searches of domain and file types, making results more specific and relevant.

The conference also taught our staff the importance of examining .gov and .org websites. For example, a quick visit to the website FollowTheMoney.org gives insight into how money flows through state governments and how lobbyists affect representatives.

Another site, Opensecrets.org, provides background information on government officials, including previous employers and bills they have supported or voted against.

These public databases can give legitimacy to our government, and with America in the midst of an intense presidential election, knowing the facts is incredibly important.

However, while these websites are undoubtedly useful, they may not have as direct an effect on the average American as the following do: SocialMention.com, ZoomInfo.com and 123People.com.

These sites offer free searches of ordinary U.S. citizens. SocialMention.com serves as a database of a person’s interactions on a variety of social networking sites (yes, including Facebook!). The site even measures the sentiment of your name on the Internet, divided into “Negative, Positive and Neutral” categories.

Other websites we have listed do similar searches, even of criminal records.

The reason we tell you this is not to make you feel paranoid or afraid—it’s to inform you of your right to information, as well as management of such information. And maintaining your online record can only benefit you in future, and everyone should learn how to do so.

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COLUMN

Forget “Stand Your Ground,” stand for life

“Stand Your Ground” laws have been a major issue in the media lately, with the slaying of Trayvon Martin in Florida and the killing of Daniel Adkins Jr. in Phoenix bringing attention to the controversial laws.

In both cases, a minority is involved.

In both cases, one individual is armed and another is unarmed.

In both cases, the armed individual ends up shooting and killing the other. In the end, the shooter claims self-defense and basically walks away to continue living their life.

The controversy of “Stand Your Ground” laws poses a dangerous problem, blinding the public to the real issues and evidence in cases like the slaying of Trayvon Martin.

The idea behind “Stand Your Ground” laws is that a person should never have to retreat if they feel uncomfortable, and are allowed by law to use deadly force if they do not want to run or feel threatened.

Do we really need these laws?

Couldn’t we just stick to using a simple self-defense claim?

Because the fact is that neither Martin



Marcus Smith

nor Adkins should have been killed.

With Martin, it wasn’t even a case of “stand your ground.” It was a case of “chase someone down, initiate a physical confrontation and when you feel as though you lost control of the situation, pull out your nine millimeter to regain control.”

Martin was trying to flee and only fought when he had no other choice. Near as I can figure, Zimmerman owes the state of Florida a 60-year bid or better. I figure he cheated Martin out of more than 60 years of life, so “an eye for an eye” and all.

In the case of Adkins, his killer claims that he was swinging a bat, pipe or something of the like at his car, and he felt as

though his life was in danger.

The biggest problem with this case is that the police found no bat or pipe at the scene. Forget the fact that Cordell Jude, the shooter in this case, could have driven off or fired a shot in the air to scare Adkins off. The fact of the matter is the evidence doesn’t support his claim of Adkins swinging a bat at his car.

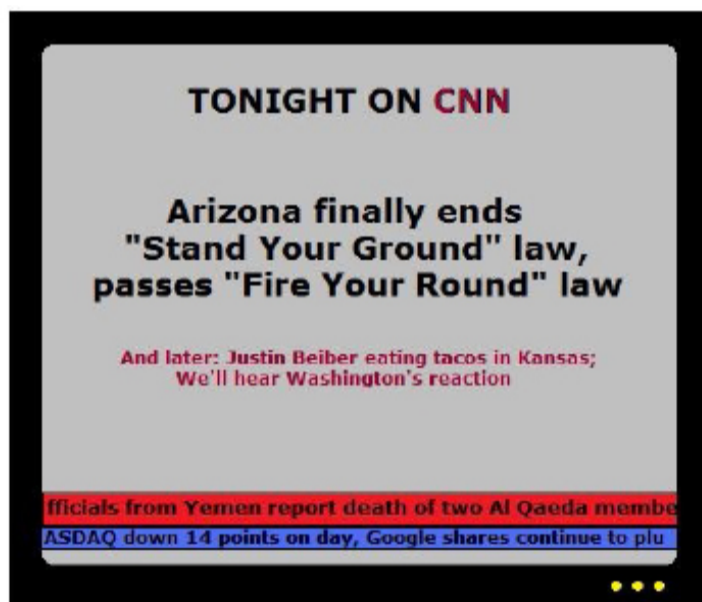
Back to the matter at hand: “Stand Your Ground” laws. They are unnecessary. The fact of the matter is there are justifiable homicide defenses for cases in which it is needed.

“Stand Your Ground” laws will in effect turn America back into the Wild, Wild West, where every problem is solved with a gun.

Let’s just remember going forward that we do have a right to defend our lives, but guns are a permanent solution to an often fleeting and temporary problem.

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FROM THE EASEL



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COLUMN

Zombie watch ‘12: Are you ready?

Seeing a man’s half-eaten face—void of nose, dripping blood, eyes filled with fear and pain—does something to a person.

This is not a blood-and-gore FearNet movie—I am talking about a real-life occurrence that took place in Miami.

And this is not just one freak accident; cases like these have been spout up across the country—thankfully my city of Chicago remains unscathed, but it is only a matter of time.

But Texas, where a mother killed her newborn son and ate part of his brain and three toes, cannot say the same.

And neither can the state of Maryland, where a college student told police officers that he killed a man and ate his heart and part of his brain.

New Jersey is also not safe, with reports of a man stabbing himself 50 times before throwing piece of his intestines at police.

I love the supernatural as much as the next person, but things are getting out of hand and into the realm of heebie-jeebies. As my favorite slayer would say, “The world is doomed.”

Fear not, I offer my services as a devoted watcher of “Buffy the Vampire Slayer,” “Charmed,” “Angel,” “Supernatural,” “Roswell,” “The X-Files,” “Smallville” (not sure if that is relevant here, but I’m sure I’ve learned something that would pertain to the encroaching apocalypse), as well as countless zombie movies.



Nike Ogunbodede

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention is trying to quell any fear that American citizens have by declaring that there is no zombie apocalypse afoot—because they would tell us that. Pff!

If there isn’t a zombie virus going around, then why did The CDC release a preparedness video just last year? Hmm...seems like they foresaw this happening.

As a watcher of many apocalypses, let me tell you, President Obama, that you need to send out everybody...and I mean everybody.

The National Guard, Air Force, Navy, Marines, Coast Guard, Black Ops and whatever secret government agencies we civilians aren’t supposed to know about: Mulder & Scully, Sylvester Stallone, Madonna and Tom Cruise—because let’s face it, Tom Cruise would probably survive, and he knows how to fly a plane. Send ‘em all!

To all of those creepy kids at the back of the class whom I mostly stayed away from because

you were taking notes while reading “Zombie Attack Survival Guide,” I apologize—this is your time to shine.

Luckily for you people of Earth, I, too, am a closeted nerd. Here are some tips brought to you by my messed-up mind.

1) Keep a small aerosol can and lighter with you at all times. This will create a nifty flame thrower—also, to mask the smell of burning, decaying human flesh, get a scented aerosol.

2) FOR THE LOVE OF ALL THINGS HOLY, IF A ZOMBIE STILL HAS ITS HEAD, IT ISN’T DEAD!!

3) Keep a backpack or satchel. In this backpack or satchel keep a crossbow.

4) Screaming does not scare a zombie, so don’t do it. Note: Zombies are known to be bad at running, so run away.

5) Take a shower later. This might not pertain to zombie movies, but when all hell is breaking loose outside, don’t reach for a bar of soap. I’d rather be alive and smell like death than be dead and smell like roses.

I hope these tips helped.

The end is nigh. Fall in line, people, and suit up.

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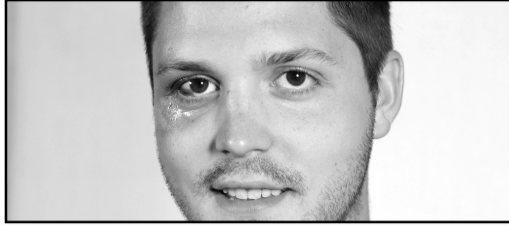
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Album Review



John Downen

“Born and Raised” is solid, delivers

Fresh off a two-year hiatus from the spotlight, John Mayer has returned from the rolling hills of his Montana sanctuary with the release of his new album “Born and Raised.”



According to Mayer, the two-year break was a form of rehabilitation not only for his reputation in Hollywood, but for his personal health as well.



The break, which was originally planned for Mayer’s recovery from a throat surgery in October of last year, seems to have helped Mayer mature both musically and personally, and “Born and Raised” is indicative of the importance of Mayer’s time off.

“I’m glad I actually stayed out of the spotlight,” Mayer said. “I lost my head for a little while. I lost touch, and I didn’t want to ask for directions.”

As the old saying goes, for every door that closes, a window opens.

Because of his throat surgery, Mayer says he was unable to sing for a considerable time.

Luckily, it appears that time away from the microphone gave Mayer a chance to approach his music from a new angle, and the freshness and uniqueness of “Born and Raised” prove Mayer’s newfound style.

Lacking the poppy love songs that have come to define Mayer’s music, “Born and Raised” is inarguably mature. Mayer says that the trip to Montana was a way for him to “be 33 and 34 instead of 28 for the fourth year.”

With that in mind, “Born and Raised” sounds less like an album and more of a sung apology. The album, from open to close, is the most honest of Mayer’s career.

The album’s first single, “Shadow Days,” seems to summarize the last few tumultuous years of Mayer’s life. The most striking aspect of the album is its modesty. As stated, Mayer seems to have matured with “Born and Raised.” There are no grandiose guitar solos or indulgent lyrics.

Instead, the album blends together acoustic guitars, lap steels and even harmonicas to create a sound previously unheard from Mayer.

“Born and Raised” was not crafted by the same 22 year old who once wrote hits like “Your Body is a Wonderland” and “Neon.” The album lacks the pop vibe of Mayer’s earlier work, and its style is reminiscent of late Eagles and Neil Young albums.

While the album lacks any truly memorable guitar parts (which, if you’re both a musician and Mayer fan, you’ve come to expect), the blend of instruments utilized by Mayer carries an almost-perfect tone.

Unlike his previous work, in which Mayer was often reliant on complex guitar parts to make his music work, he seems to have approached “Born and Raised” from a purely musical standpoint.

Ultimately, this approach is indicative of Mayer’s personal growth.

On “Born and Raised,” Mayer seems to understand his place and how being in the spotlight is not always conducive to success. “Born and Raised” is, for all intents and purposes, the most complete and solid work of Mayer’s career.

Mayer has matured both personally and musically, and “Born and Raised” seems reflective of that growth.

While many people may dislike, or even hate, Mayer for his antics and behavior, “Born and Raised” is unlike anything Mayer has ever done.

Even his biggest critics should give the album a chance, as there’s a good change it might grow on them.

Movie Review



HUNTTED

‘Snow White and Huntsman’: Charlize Theron steals show

Reviewed by Kimberly Foster

I wanted to like “Snow White and the Huntsman.” Despite my rampant and oft-vocalized contempt for all things Kristen Stewart, I thought Charlize Theron’s perfection and Chris Hemsworth’s face (and body, and beard) would more than make up for it.

Sorry, Thor. Not even you could save this one.

Coming out of the theater, the first thing I said to my brother, who was the one to convince me to go instead of seeing “The Avengers” again, was, “Half an hour shorter and *maybe* it would be better.”

And it’s true.

Toward the end I was close to dozing off, even though I knew somewhere in my wandering mind that the epic battle should be starting.

I can, without question, say this: said epic battle, just like the rest of the film, was visually exquisite. Breathtaking, even.

The same cannot be said for Kristen Stewart’s performance.

Even though I expected it to some degree, Stewart’s infamous lack of facial emotion was painfully highlighted at various parts.

Sorry, Thor. Not even you could save this one.

One scene that sticks out is when Snow, coming across an enormous, scary, bridge-guarding troll, stares it down in what I assume was supposed to be an imploring, innocent, calming manner.

She looked constipated.

It was like this throughout the entire film.

The basis of Snow White’s character is her ability to inspire; inspire the Huntsman sent to kill her to fall in love instead; inspire a group of eight (eight!) dwarves to follow her into battle; to inspire that ugly bridge troll not to crush her and the Huntsman into oblivion.

The problem, at its core, is that Kristen Stewart, in this film as much as in many of her others, is entirely uninspired, and it ruins the effect Snow White is supposed to have.

These problems could be solved by one or both of two things: the afore-

mentioned cut in time, and *more Charlize*.

I would actually consider picking more Charlize if I was forced to choose. Everything about her portrayal of the evil Queen Ravenna was perfect. She was equal parts terrifying, insane and blood-thirsty.

The idea that she was avenging her past physical and emotional abuse by sucking the souls of beautiful women kind of negates any feminist themes the movie was striving for, but... that’s not on Charlize.

Her range is unreal.

Her moments of quiet, controlled, glassy-eyed rage managed to be even freakier than her ear-splitting screams and literal heart stealing.

The verdict: See it. I would say wait for DVD, but your eyes will appreciate the visual feast the theater provides.

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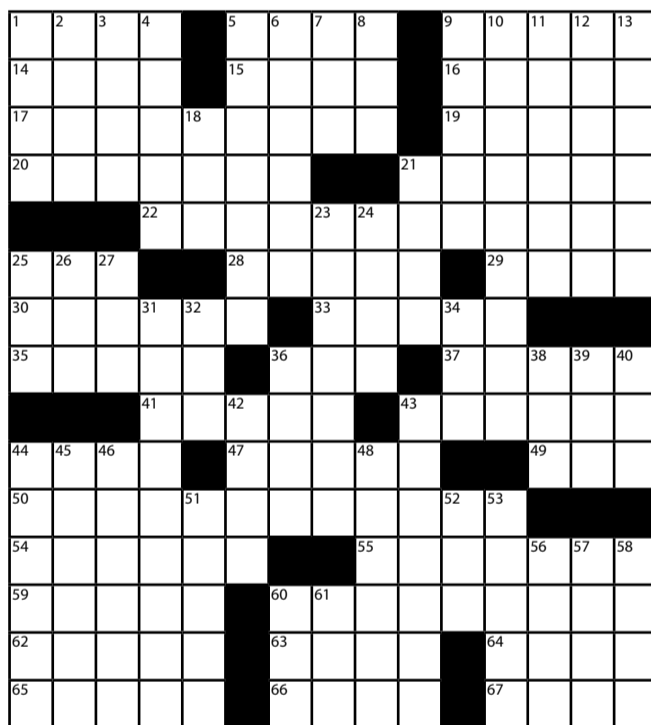
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Rubendunst brought eclipse glasses as well as a telescope with a solar filter so people could view the transit without damaging their eyes.

Rubendunst said he enjoys showing people various celestial bodies, especially Saturn.

"This is fun for me," Rubendunst said. "The sun is a bit of a tougher sell. Some people don't even want to look at it because they've been told not to. The right filter makes it OK."

He said it is great to be able to get kids interested when they live in a world with so much else to get their attention.

Jemmie Robertson, a professor of music, said he brought his wife and son to view the transit and said it was a good family event.

"It's the only time I get to see it with my son," Robertson said. "He might see it again, but it might be more likely that his kids see it."

Beth Lugar, the library's youth program coordinator, said the viewing went exceptionally well.

"The biggest thing for me is seeing how excited people are getting; every-

body is talking," Lugar said. "It's not just a lot of people waiting quietly."

Lugar said many of the children at the viewing may not appreciate the significance of the event yet, but they likely will when they are older.

She said it might be confusing for them since they are almost always told to not look at the sun, but for the transit they are doing the opposite.

Lugar said this is one of many astronomy events the library hosts, and they try to have one every month.

Rubendunst said the transit is so rare because the orbital planes of Earth and Venus are seven degrees off. If they were perfectly aligned, they would happen much more often.

He said transits happen in pairs and that the previous transit occurred in 2004.

"It's actually a twice-in-a-lifetime event," Rubendunst said.

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SETH SCHROEDER | THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

Jarad Burns, Charleston resident, holds up Riley Mcelee, 6, Tuesday at the Carnegie Public Library in order for her to get a better view of the Venus Transit through a solar-filtered telescope. The transit involves Venus moving in front of the sun, and the next one will not happen until 2117.

STATE

Officials disagree on pension reform

By the Associated Press

Illinois officials emerged from a closed-door meeting Wednesday divided over the next steps in solving the state's most pressing financial issue: somehow closing an \$83 billion funding gap for its retirement systems.

The top Democrat and Republican in the Senate and the House Republican leader argued for quickly adopting a proposal that has the widest support before continuing to negotiate. But Gov. Pat Quinn and House Speaker Michael Madigan are insisting on a more comprehensive solution that would include a transfer of pension costs to school districts, a proposal that scuttled negotiations last week.

Legislative leaders, taking up the issue after talks collapsed in the final days of the spring legislative session, are under pressure to act soon as bond-rating agencies have made it clear they will downgrade the state's already-low credit rating unless Illinois finds a way to reduce the strain state pensions put on the budget.

At the heart of lawmakers' dispute is whether to make suburban Chicago and downstate schools pay for their own employees' retirement costs, which

the state currently pays. Republicans and some Democrats fear that would lead to property tax increases, but Madigan and Quinn say the change is necessary to fix the pension system long term.

"We have to eliminate the free lunch for local school districts," Madigan, a Chicago Democrat, told reporters after the meeting. "That's how we should move forward. If you wish to provide for reform of the pension systems, if you want to have responsibility in developing pensions, then you have to provide that the people who spend the money actually pay the bill."

Senate President John Cullerton, Senate Minority Leader Christine Radogno and House Minority Leader Tom Cross want to put aside the question of who pays the employer share for teachers and immediately pass a widely supported measure reducing retirement benefits for state employees and legislators.

Quinn's public stance on the schools cost issue has shifted. Last week, he asked Madigan to take the issue out of a proposed bill, and Quinn's original pension proposal contained no specifics on the cost shift, focusing on cost-of-living adjustments and the retirement age.

CLEAN ENERGY, from page 1

It was also suggested that the university use the center in open houses. Perry said the university could add a questionnaire and ask questions about the environment and then the center could be made part of their tour.

"I think the possibilities are unlimited," he said. "To me the most exciting thing is to create more opportunities for Charleston and in time the region."

Perry said another product that has been considered for use in the Renewable Energy Plant is corn stover, the leaves and stalks left in the field after

harvest. He said if the stover was mixed 50/50 with wood chips it would only take 10 percent of the stover in Coles County to power the plant for one year.

"It will be great for our students," Perry said. "It will be great for the students in the community and it will be great for some individuals who have some ideas that might get started here."

Perry is hoping to break ground by Jan. 1.

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EMERGENCY, from page 1

While the specifics of the drill are still under wraps, members of the Charleston City Council said during their meeting Tuesday that the drill will simulate shooters and hazardous waste.

Woodard said Eastern is doing as much as it can to let people know about the drill beforehand so they do not panic or get confused. She said they are using social media outlets and posting information on Eastern's website.

"We are doing the best we can to

blanket the campus and let them know it's a drill," Woodard said.

She said after the exercise is completed, Eastern will be able to look back and find where they can improve.

"We're not going to point fingers or find fault with an individual, but find ways to improve," Woodard said.

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Also, hits above the neck are more heavily fined and can be cause for suspension.

Still, this doesn't solve the problem of heads crashing to the ground, the head and neck recoil of a solid, legal hit, or the head rattling that happens between offensive and defensive linemen on virtually every play.

In the end, technology may be able

to quell the numbers of concussions and other injuries, and medicine may find a way to deal with those troublesome brain proteins. But for now, another football season is coming up, and guys on all levels will be getting concussions. The game is arguably the most popular event in America in the fall, so it isn't going anywhere anytime soon. But the NFL must tread carefully in its

future steps in injury prevention. Unhappy fans due to more rules, or more devastated families due to depression and suicides? Its going to be one or the other.

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ATHLETICS



Barbara Burke, athletic director, introduces Coach Lee Buchanan Monday in the Club Room at Lantz Arena.

MARCUS SMITH | THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

Burke's search for new leaders ends

By Joshua Bryant
Sports Editor

The retiring of legendary football coach Bob Spoo, the heightening career of Brady Sallee and the aftermath of the #FIREMIKEMILLER campaign each left Athletic Director Barbara Burke to lead a nationwide search into for leaders of more than 107 Panthers over the past semester.

University procedures jumpstart the campaigns, with required checkpoints at each stage of the hiring process in order to keep all offices in the loop.

"We work with internal offices to properly post for the job," Burke said. "We then set up a selection committee that meets to gauge interest in the posi-

tion," Burke said.

Selection committees can be found at all levels below professional sports in order to gain a wide perspective into which candidate is best for the school.

In pro sports, this is taken care of in front offices and at the owner's desk, which can sometimes lead to dissatisfaction with fans.

The university processes are generally favorable to campus communities, despite the fact that interviews and hirings are mostly behind closed doors versus the mounds of candidate coverage splashed across ESPN for the pros.

Once interest is gauged by the committee, skill sets are measured, Burke said.

"We work to fit resumes to make sure

that each candidate meets the criteria for the job," Burke said. "Then we do phone interviews, followed by a request to bring candidates to campus. From there we are granted permission to offer," Burke said.

The vice president and the Office of Civil Rights are the final hurdle of the hiring process, with them holding the power to grant that permission.

After scouting nationwide for the one person to get the job done right, all eyes are finally opened to new faces of the programs.

Dino Babers replaced Spoo, Jay Spoonhour replaced Mike Miller and Lee Buchanan took the reigns from Sallee.

That's plenty of work finally cleared from Burke's desk.

"It feels wonderful. It has been a long process and long year for all three, but it's been great, and I think the process helped us identify quality candidates for each position," Burke said.

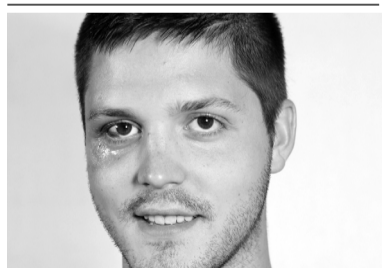
"It does feel good to have it done. But more importantly, in my heart, I feel like we have the right people in place to lead these three programs," Burke said.

Overall, the job isn't finished. Babers will be the first coach under the spotlight to show off Burke's searching skills in his first Panther football showdown on the night of August 30 versus in-state rival Southern Illinois.

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COLUMN

Miami Heat, LeBron James finally champs



John Downen

When the Miami Heat won the NBA Title last week, I can't say I was shocked.

They had been playing well all playoffs, taking down the Knicks in four games.

They trounced the measly Pacers—I'm pretty sure even Reggie Miller was a Heat fan at that point.

With Bosh finally practicing with the team, the Miami Heat were an unstoppable juggernaut, their domination of the league, the hoisting of the Larry O'Brien trophy, the first

championship of seven.

Granted, I hadn't watched any games, nor had I really checked scores. I DID watch Sportscenter, though, and considering their non-bias, I trusted them when they crowned Miami as champions.

Wait, what?

The Heat are a game away from elimination? It can't be. Who could dethrone the kings of the NBA?

WHAT?? That group of geezers from Boston? There's just no way. I figured they'd be cashing in their AARP cards at a buffet right now.

Unfortunately for the Heat, heart matters in the playoffs.

Unfortunately for the Heat, so does experience. As does coaching. As does bench play.

As does hustle. As does every single thing that defines this Celtics team.

There's a reason that the Celtics have rings. It's the same reason the Spurs have championships.

Unfortunately for the Big Three of Miami, crowning yourselves the champs without playing a single game does not fall into that reasoning.

While I'm by no means assuming that the Celtics win this series, I AM stating that they have the will to do so—something that seems lost to both Heat players and their fans. Since the Big Three came together in 2010, assumption has plagued the Heat. The assumption that the walk to a trophy is a walk, only proves the ignorance of this team.

The assumption, written ever so discretely on LeBron's mouth guard, that procuring a championship is a simple sixteen-game vacation only proves the ignorance of this team.

The fact that, with their backs against the wall, one game away from packing their bags, the Miami Heat's fans are still writing Boston off as a fluke, only proves the ignorance of this team.

In all honesty, there were times when I almost believed the narrative perpetuated by the Miami Heat.

Derrick Rose's injury and the inevitable bouncing of the Bulls from the playoffs seemed the last stop between the Heat and a trophy (or at least a Finals berth).

To put it simply, we all slept on Boston. Maybe it was the absolute neglect of their team by Sportscenter and ESPN. Maybe it was their series against the lowly Sixers (I'm still bitter) being pushed to seven games.

Whatever it was, it's only made their success in this series that much sweeter, and should they win out, NBA fans should rejoice. Boston's victory won't just be over the Miami Heat. It will be a victory over the arrogance and conceit that has plagued the league for far too long.

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COLUMN

Injuries that last: concussion crisis in NFL



Joshua Bryant

Professional football players train year-round to become bigger, stronger, faster and smarter than their opponents.

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Concussions leave people disoriented, nauseous, seeing colors or nothing at all. Repeated collisions without diagnosis is where things get bad.

Football culture is one built on toughness. No man wants to leave his teammates on the battlefield to fight without him, especially if he has an injury that isn't even visible. In young men the ability to persevere and fight through injury earns him respect and brings the bond of brotherhood closer than before.

But sadly no amount of comradery seems able to save the lives of former NFL greats who suffer from depression years after leaving the game they love.

Brain impacts lead to a build-up of protein in the brain that can lead to depression and subsequent suicide.

Neurodegenerative diseases due to concussions is the issue, as confirmed by the autopsy done on the brain of Dave Duerson, a former Chicago Bears safety, who took his own life after suffering from severe depression.

Duerson shot himself in the chest so that doctors would be able to examine his brain and find a way to help people like him before it's too late. The examination confirmed chronic traumatic encephalopathy. The condition works just like Alzheimer's, except coming from head impacts.

This is where it gets ugly.

The NFL has over 1,000 lawsuits on its desks from former players. Why?

Because the NFL was aware of the dangers of concussions long ago, and did nothing about it.

Twelve players have killed themselves in the past 25 years, with more complaints about depression and memory loss.

In response, the NFL has mandated that each team have a specialist on the sidelines to diagnose concussions, with it being up to his/her discretion whether or not the player can return to the field.

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