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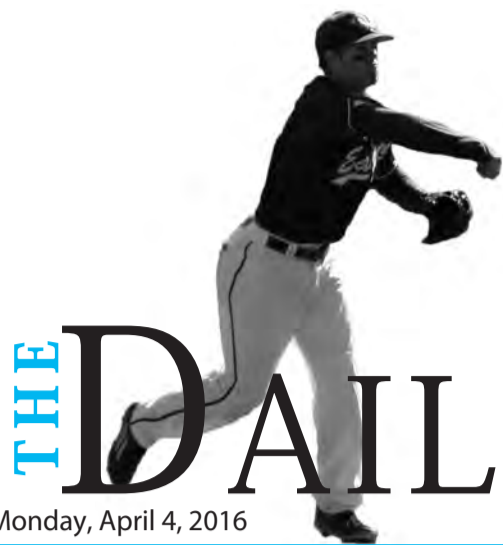
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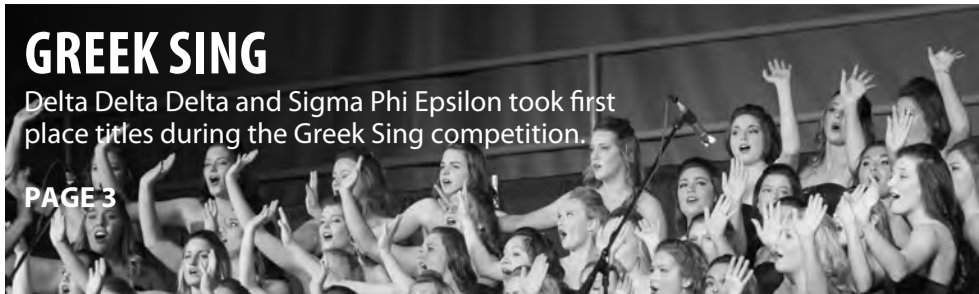
The Panthers won the last game in their 3-game series against the Racers.

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GREEK SING

Delta Delta Delta and Sigma Phi Epsilon took first place titles during the Greek Sing competition.

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Students, faculty rally for funding in Chicago

By Cassie Buchman & Abbey Whittington
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A group of 53 Eastern students and faculty traveled to Chicago to participate in rallies for higher education funding along with other chapters of the statewide University Professionals of Illinois.

These rallies were a part of a "Day of Action" that included a strike by the Chicago Teacher's Union and "Fight for 15," which was a protest advocating for a \$15-an-hour minimum wage.

The rallies started at Chicago State University. Many people held up signs saying, "Save Illinois Schools" and "Education is Power."

Before the rally started, the Chicago State Singers sang "We Shall Overcome," and others were dancing.

At the rally, various speakers, including William McNary of Citizen Action Illinois; the Rev. Jesse Jackson; Karen Lewis, the president of the Chicago Teachers Union; and John Miller, the president of the University Professionals of Illinois, talked about the lack of a state budget and how it is affecting teachers and universities.

McNary acknowledged each state university, including Eastern, and called on Gov. Bruce Rauner to pass a budget.

"(We are gathered here) to let Gov. Rauner, and all the millionaires and billionaires know they need to work for the students and not just for themselves," McNary said.

Miller said their fight is for the future.

"We all deserve to fight. To have a voice. To have a future," Miller said. "To demand funding for our students, for our children, for quality education for all."

Chicago State students such as Christopher Glen, who is also the National Pan Hellenic Council president, talked about what Chicago State meant to them.

"They say Disney World, Disneyland is the place where dreams come true," Glen said. "I disagree with that. I say Chicago State is the place where dreams come true."

Glen said education is a right for all, and it is not right to have a governor and state legislature that cannot work together to agree on and pass a budget.



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A mixture of professors and students from state universities stand outside the Thompson Center in downtown Chicago during a rally Friday. Some of the schools with representatives at the rally include Eastern, Chicago State, Northeastern Illinois, along with the Chicago Teachers Union.

"What do these people really want for us?" Glen asked. "How are they serving us, our communities?"

Eastern biology professor Eric Bollinger said he canceled classes that day to come to the rally because he thinks it is important to stand up for what is right and for students to learn the importance of this.

As a professor, Bollinger has seen the effects of the budget crisis as it has caused funding to be frozen and made it harder to order equipment and impaired students' ability to do their thesis.

He said it is aggravating that time that could be spent on teaching, research and advising had to be spent rallying for funding.

"It is galling to me that someone like the governor, who grew up in a rich family, attended Dartmouth, is trying to deny higher education

to people much less financially well off," Bollinger said.

Eastern chemistry professor Barbara Lawrence said it is tragic that Chicago State might close.

"CSU really supports a population that does not get much support," Lawrence said.

Like Bollinger, Lawrence was also able to talk to members of Chicago State's UPI.

"They're very scared, and hopeful that things are going to change and the governor will pass a budget and they will be able to continue," Lawrence said.

Lawrence said shows of solidarity like the union are important to get people energized and to get people to do more in the future.

"Whatever it takes," Lawrence said. English professor Carol Jean Dudley said all unions need to stand together in order to sup-

port each other.

She said the message of solidarity was something that stuck out to her and there needs to be work to connect with other unions.

"(We need to) demonstrate that unions are, in fact, a very positive thing in our society," Dudley said. "(Gov. Rauner) is trying to destroy our unions and we don't want that."

Jalen Myers, a junior biological sciences major, said she decided to come to the rally because Eastern is her home.

"I could stay at Eastern forever and not complain," Myers said.

Kimya Barden is a professor in inner-city studies education at Northeastern Illinois University, who also taught social work at Chicago State.

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Airband amazes crowd, Greek Week royalty announced

By Analicia Haynes
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The Lantz Arena shook with cheers and roars Saturday night as the 2016 Airband Competition kicked off for this year's "The Endless Summer" Greek Week.

Nineteen fraternities and sororities piled into Lantz and danced their hearts out, their fellow brothers and sisters cheering them on every step of the way, for a chance at a glowing trophy and points toward an overall Greek Week victory.

The king and queen for Greek Week were also nominated Saturday.

Talia Persico from Alpha Phi was named Queen of Greek Week, and Daniel Guerrero from Sigma Phi Epsilon was named King.

"I'm in shock, I couldn't believe it," Persico said. "When I heard my name, and I couldn't hear it at first but when everyone looked at me I was like 'is that possible?'"

Persico said she could not have done it without the help of the student body, and she cannot believe she got nominated in the first place.

Persico said she was nervous and did not know how to prepare after receiving the nomination.

"It's an honor," Persico said. "I think (Alpha



MACKENZIE FREUND | THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

The women of Alpha Phi sorority performing part of their routine during the Greek Week Airband competition Saturday in Lantz Arena. Alpha Phi came in first place for the sorority division for Airband.

Phi) are all on cloud nine and I think everyone can celebrate with me."

Alpha Phi took first place for sororities in Airband, and Pi Kappa Alpha took first for fraternities, a step up from last year when they tied for first with Sigma Phi Epsilon.

Dancing to choreographed routines that many spent countless hours perfecting, the teams matched their music to their own innovative themes that set them apart from each other.

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Greek Week

Tugs Schedule:

Monday: Little Men's & Women's Tugs
4 p.m. Campus Pond

Wednesday: Big Men's & Women's Tugs
4 p.m. Campus Pond

Friday: Little Men's, Big Men's & Women's Semi-Finals
4 p.m. Campus Pond

Saturday: Consolidation & Finals
Noon Campus Pond

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Percussionists bringing tour to Eastern

By Abbey Whittington
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The World Percussion Group will be coming to Eastern as part of members' two-month 2016 USA tour at 7:30 p.m. Monday in the Dvorak Concert Hall of the Doudna Fine Arts Center.

The percussion group will be at Eastern for two days.

The first day is for members of the World Percussion Group to perform with the EIU Percussion Ensemble on Sunday.

The second day is for the group's performance on Monday.

Both performances will be in the Dvorak Concert Hall.

Monday's performance will also feature local percussionists in the World Percussion Group's show.

The World Percussion Group consists of percussionists from various countries, including Taiwan, China, the United Kingdom, the United States and Spain.

"The World Percussion Group has been delivering clinics, lessons and master classes to Universities including the EIU Percussion Ensemble across the U.S.," according to a press release.

Eastern's Percussion Ensemble is directed by Jamie Ryan, a percussion professor, and consists of a group of about 12 students.

According to the group's official website, Maraca2 is a percussion duo made up of members Tim Palmer and Jason Huxtable who direct the World Percussion Group.

Both men met while studying at Birmingham Conservatoire in England, where the both of them now



SUBMITTED PHOTO

The World Percussion Group will be visiting Eastern as a part of their two-month world tour Monday at 7:30 p.m. in the Dvorak Concert Hall in the Doudna Fine Arts Center.

tutor percussion students.

Maraca2 has regularly performed in many festivals, concert halls and more than 40 universities worldwide, and came up with the idea for the World Percussion Group in 2014.

Members are chosen through auditions from hundreds of applicants worldwide with a mission to represent the best young percussion players.

Members chosen to be a part

of the World Percussion Group are expected to have their own presentations, clinics, lessons, performances, master classes and put together a touring ensemble for when the music group presents their work to the USA educational market.

The World Percussion Group's mission statement states that members want their group to not just inspire audiences and students, but also to give an international plat-

form to the best percussionists of the next generation, providing an opportunity for cultural sharing. This music group also serves as the next chapter in the evolution of the Maraca2 duo.

Ticket prices are \$15 for general admission, \$12 for seniors and employees and \$7 for students.

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ASA set to show African fashions, dancing

By T'Nerra Butler
Multicultural Editor | @DEN_News

Models are set to strut and pivot four scenes across the length of the Grand Ballroom in African garments at the African Student Association's eighth annual fashion show, taking their audience on a trip to Africa and then back to the U.S.

"Coming to America" will begin 5 p.m. Saturday in the Grand Ballroom of the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union. Pre-sale tickets are \$6 and are \$8 at the door.

With around 20 models, Jalen Washington, the ASA special events coordinator, said the easiest part was giving them a scene and letting them work with their own creativity.

The ASA has been planning for this evening throughout the entire semes-

ter, Washington said.

He also said the show was one of the reasons why he applied for his position.

The plot is going to be somewhat different from the film "Coming to America," where the woman helming the show will choose between two men, instead of having it being the man's choice like in the original movie.

"Too much goes into planning an event like this," Washington said. "The models, the plot, those things take time to sort out, in order for it to make sense."

Washington said fashion shows give the campus and community a chance to see something different from the students and show what students are capable of when it comes to putting on events.

"It gives an opportunity for them to possibly connect," Washington said. "You never know who might be in the crowd that can help you out in the future."

This shows will give viewers an African feel with a modern American flair, Washington said. He said the Merchandising and Apparel Design Association, an organization that creates different pieces of clothing, has made a lot of the garments will be seen at the show. The president, Brandon Mata, has made a lot of them by himself, Washington said.

Collaborations help to shine positive light to both organizations, Washington said.

The ASA dancers will also be performing that night as the opening act before the fashion show.

Julianne Adegoriolu, the president

of the ASA, said the beginning of the movie "Coming to America" with the wedding scene will be incorporated into the show.

Adegoriolu said a night like this will show that there are no limits with this organization. She said she hopes the show would bring culture and vibrant fashion to Eastern.

"It's been a long but exciting journey," Adegoriolu said.

This is the biggest event that ASA has put on, and they have put countless hours into having a good show, Adegoriolu said.

The ASA will have a flash sale where tickets are \$4 sometime during this week. Doors open at 4:30 p.m. Saturday for the show.

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To have your event listed, email Betsy with the details at cejewell@eiu.edu.

Greek Sing brings harmony to campus

By T'Nerra Butler
Multicultural Editor | @DEN_News

Delta Delta Delta Sorority's harmonizing and precise movements helped them to win the Greek Sing for the eighth sequential year Sunday.

The men of Sigma Phi Epsilon Fraternity took the win for first place in the men's section.

Marissa Muskiewicz, a senior communication studies major and coach for Tri Delta Sorority, said a huge weight was lifted off her shoulders after winning.

She said the women had been practicing for months and the win paid off.

The women of Tri Delta stood in front of their crowd dressed in pale blue dresses as they sang a mix of songs including "Calling All Angels" by Train, "Video Games" by Lana Del Ray, and "Hallelujah" by Jeff Buckley.

"The hardest part was getting the girls to slow down because of all of the nerves on stage," Muskiewicz said.

Ben Misselhorn, a senior marketing major and member of Sigma Phi Epsilon, said the fraternity's hard work paid off.

"It's very gratifying, and you can't help but be humble for everything that you've done and to see what everyone has worked on," Misselhorn said.

The men sported all black with rows of members wearing different colored ties.

Misselhorn said Greek Sing brought a sense of community and showed another side of the Greeks.

"This event brought a lot of unity," Misselhorn said. "A lot of people view Greek life (as having) this negative connotation and they can gain a new respect at this event. It bridges this gap between Greek life and everyone else."

The men practiced a couple times every week for three to four months, Misselhorn said.

Tri Delta's performance was centered on the idea of being angels.

Muskiewicz said they picked that theme because a lot of students



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The members of the Delta Delta Delta sorority sing during Greek Sing in Lantz Arena Sunday. Delta Delta Delta took first place in the competition.

around campus refer to them as angels.

The runners up in the sorority section were the women of Alpha Phi Sorority who wore black halter dresses and sang in a Broadway musical style.

The coach of the sorority, senior communication studies major Leah Davis, said even though they were in second place there was tough competition this year.

"Tri Delta always brings their A-game, so second to us almost feels like first," Davis said.

Davis said this was her third time coaching and they practiced for a couple months Monday through Friday this year.

"Even though it's a competition, we're all here, doing the same thing and we've all invested the same amount of time," Davis said. "It pushes people to step out of their comfort zone."

There was a lot of competition

this year, admissions counselor Omar Solomon said. Solomon, one of the judges this year, said they based their judgments off of a rubric. The guidelines included tone, diction, creativity and overall performance.

"It was a tough decision but at the end of the day I think (the judges) believed that Tri Delta did an amazing job," Solomon said. "Everyone did a great job though."

Two alumnae of Eastern came back to see their fellow sorority sisters from Tri Delta. Ali Lohr and Danielle Sanders said that while at Eastern they both participated in Greek Sing.

"It's amazing to see what people who aren't in a real choir sound like," Sanders said.

Lohr said she has never seen a competition as fierce as this year's Greek Sing.

"It keeps getting better with years. I think (Tri Delta) continues to grow as a house each year, and



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Members of the Sigma Phi Epsilon fraternity perform at Greek Sing in Lantz Arena Sunday. Sigma Phi Epsilon took first place in the competition.

you can see that with all of the other chapters."

Twelve Greeks performed at this year's Greek Sing even though 13 were scheduled to perform.

The president of Sigma Chi came

to the stage and apologized for misconduct and said that they would not participate in the singing.

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Stephanie Markham

Greek Week is a week worthy of coverage

Months of preparation are finally culminating in a week of singing and dancing competitions, coming together for charity, strolling to show unity, and tugging for glory.

As the warm spring weather begins to settle over campus, it is that time of year again for Greek life to battle it out and let Eastern know how hard their fraternities and sororities have worked to claim their desired titles.

This year's Greek Week, themed "The Endless Summer," kicked off this past weekend with Airband, a lip-syncing and dancing competition that saw Alpha Phi and Pi Kappa Alpha emerge victorious, and Greek Sing, a singing competition ending in first-place wins for Delta Delta Delta and Sigma Phi Epsilon.

Greek organizations also participated in and donated to Friday's Relay for Life Kickball Tournament hosted by the EIU Colleges Against Cancer service group to fundraise for the American Cancer Society.

Also on the schedule for this week are several Tugs competitions, Trivia Night, Cans for Construction, the Unity Stroll, Pyramids and other service projects.

The staff at *The Daily Eastern News* will be putting in some extra work during this special week as well.

We have been talking with fraternity and sorority members to inform students about these events, and we will continue to be in contact with them as the week commences to provide our readers with the most current and useful information.

We want our readers to feel free to check our daily print edition for coverage of Greek Week events as they unfold.

Readers can also check www.dailyeasternnews.com as well as The Daily Eastern News Facebook page and @DEN_News on Twitter.

Through our online presence, we will provide video and photo coverage to further illustrate how each event goes down to anyone who is interested.

The Verge, which is the arts and entertainment section we publish every Friday inside our regular edition, will have additional photos and features regarding Greek Week.

We know how important these events are to Eastern's Greek organizations and how hard members have worked to make them happen.

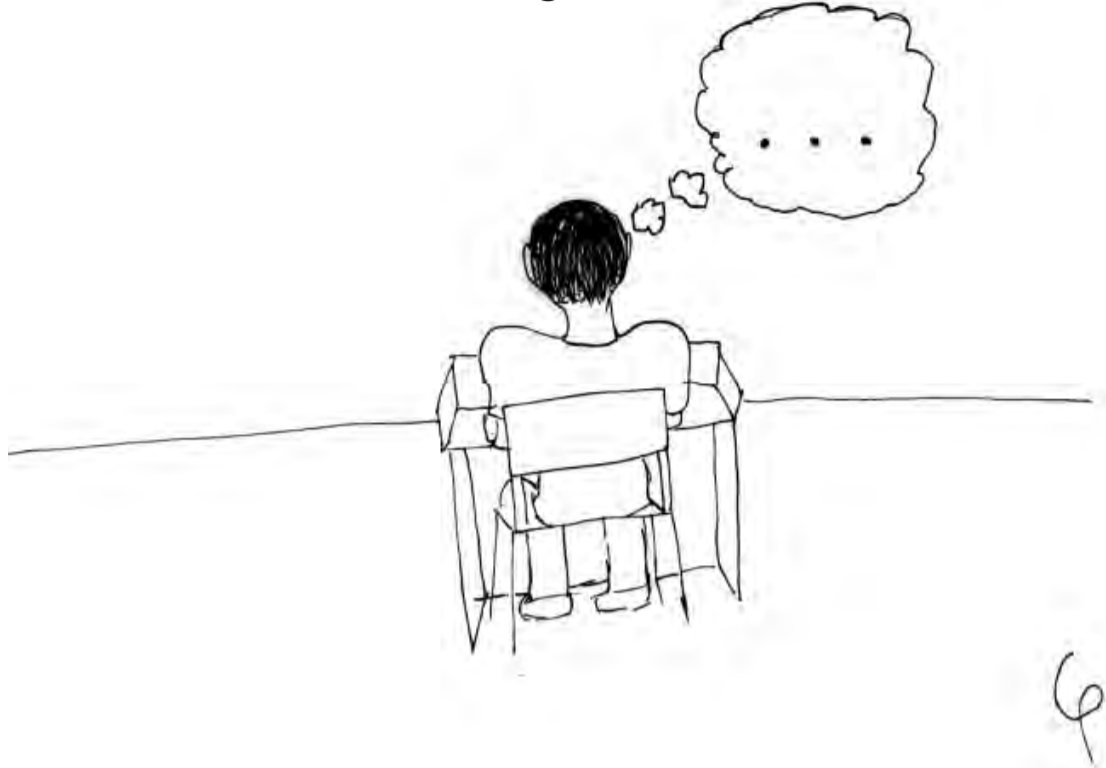
We also realize that even students not in Greek life are interested to know how their friends in fraternities and sororities are faring throughout the week.

This is why *The News* staff will continue to be as helpful as we can in providing updates and coverage of Greek Week moving forward.

We wish our fellow students in Greek life the best of luck, and above all we wish for them to enjoy themselves for the rest of Greek Week.

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Drawing a Blank



CHRIS PICKARD | THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

Staff Editorial

Respect the choices of other students

The college experience is different for many students.

Some students like to go out on the weekends with their friends, and others like to spend a night in with some friends.

But the perception that many people have of college is that it involves going out every weekend and blacking out.

You can see it on social media platforms where most people ask, "Where the party is tonight?"

Sometimes having fun can turn into a habit and eventually that habit turns into a dependency or an addiction.

According to Addiction Center, college students make up one of the largest groups of drug abusers in the country.

The most commonly abused drug according to Addiction Center is alcohol.

When people think of the college experience, alcohol would be the item that is the most closely associated with it.

Addiction Center reported in a survey of

students that admitted to drug abuse said that 80 percent of students abused alcohol.

Addiction can come about from stress, curiosity or peer pressure, but once you start, it may be hard to stop.

In Friday's edition of *The Daily Eastern News*, the article titled, "Sobriety group to support students," said the group College Recovery Community is attempting to provide an environment for students that are dealing with issues of substance abuse or staying sober.

Mike Tozer, an alcohol prevention, intervention, and recovery specialist, said the group is currently trying to recruit students. Tozer said if students started signing up, it would help other students come forward.

It is not for every student, but it is a place for students to go on campus to feel safe and help them through a problem they might be having.

Like Tozer said in the article, "Recovery is an OK thing. It's not something you have to

be ashamed about it."

It could be a difficult thing to admit a problem can exist.

People may try to tell themselves that it is normal instead of facing a possible problem, and this could cause a problem to worsen.

The group is meant to help people be free from an addiction and to help people who want to refrain from alcohol and have gone through a treatment.

People might not think they have a problem, and they might not, but if there is ever a chance you think a habit or addiction is consuming your life, there is group on campus that can help.

College is not just about going out and drinking every weekend.

It is different for everyone, and the only thing someone can do is to respect the choices of other people, and respect the decisions that people make.

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

Please leave the '80s, '90s nostalgia alone

"Mulan." "Tarzan." "Beauty and the Beast." "The Little Mermaid."

These are all Disney movies you should recognize from the '80s and '90s.

But did you know they are all going to be made into live-action movies within the next few years?

We've seen this a thousand times already; "Cinderella," "The Jungle Book," "Alice in Wonderland," and "Peter Pan" have all been made into live-action movies recently.

But why?

It's not like those years were that long ago. It would be different if they were remakes from 50 years ago.

Are filmmakers really that unoriginal these days or do they just think we are all stuck in this '90s nostalgia?

Don't get me wrong; a lot of great things came out of the '90s. But a lot of things should also stay there—platform sneakers, slap bracelets, and scrunchies to name a few.

And sometimes TV shows and movies.

Movies and TV shows from the '80s and '90s seem to be being remade left and right these days.

We have had "Footloose," "The Karate Kid," "21 Jump Street" and soon we will add "Ghostbusters" to that list. "Dirty Dancing" is even being remade into a three-hour musical version that will air on TV.

But wait, there's more.

"Boy Meets World" recently had a spin-off



Lauren McQueen

"Girl Meets World." The sappy, yet relatable, '90s show we all loved traded in Cory Matthews for his daughter Riley as she navigates through junior high, but the new show doesn't even come close in comparison.

Spin-offs and sequels are usually bad enough, why put us through remakes, too?

Some of my favorite shows and movies from when I was younger are being remade and so far, I have been nothing but disappointed. I had waited for "Girl Meets World" to air since I was in high school and was immediately let down.

And I can't say "Fuller House" did much more for me. While I would have been even more disappointed if they hadn't brought back the original cast, I felt like I found myself

laughing more at the new characters anyway.

We also saw "Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles" be remade, but "The Powerpuff Girls" and "Hey, Arnold!" are also making comebacks soon.

Some of my favorite movies from the '90s are also being remade, and while I want to say I will give them a chance, part of me really doesn't want to ruin the original.

"Jumanji" and "She's All That" are in the works to be remade. Both of these movies have actors who have recently died, Robin Williams and Paul Walker, and I don't think a sub-par remake of their classic movie is going to do them any justice either.

"Kindergarten Cop" is getting a sequel which, by the looks of the trailer, is going to be mediocre; and "The Mummy," a movie I have seen a million times, is getting a remake in which Tom Cruise will play the main character. I'm so not excited.

Lastly, "Baywatch" is going to be remade into a movie starring Dwayne Johnson and Zac Efron.

Despite the lack of enthusiasm I have toward these remakes, I don't doubt some of them will be worth watching.

But I'll let others be the judge while I'm over here watching "Saved by the Bell" and waiting for the Spice Girls reunion tour to kick off.

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Pi Kappa Alpha welcomed the audience to their jungle adventure routine introducing them to the “animals” they have become.

Daniel Hernandez and Alexis Sheehy, the captains for Pi Kappa Alpha, said it took a lot of work before they could even consider a victory including setting their friendships aside for the sake of doing better.

“I had to be stern with the guys and I had to let them know that I’m in charge,” Hernandez said. “I told them, ‘you have to listen to me now, I’m trying to do what’s best for us.’”

Hernandez said he asked his teammates for their respect and asked that they respect Sheehy as well who perfected the final dance before show-time.

“(I told them) we’re trying to win, we’re trying to get first place, and we’re trying to do the best we can do.”

Sheehy said having the right people who were willing to work helped lead them to their victory.

“We had good people who would do that and who were serious about it,” Sheehy said. “Sometimes they have more respect for an outsider and they were good (to me).”

Hernandez said the inspiration for the routine came to him after listening to classic rock with friends particularly “Welcome to the Jungle” by Guns N’ Roses.

However, though it was a solid idea, Hernandez said it was difficult to train for the dance and his teammates had to break out of their comfort zones to perfect their routine.

Hernandez said he told his team to get out of their normal character and give it their all as if they were never going to do it again because if they did not then their routine would not look good.

“Some of the guys are new and they didn’t know that you had to take this a lot more serious than you think it is,” Hernandez said. “You hear a dance competition between fraterni-



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The men of Pi Kappa Alpha fraternity perform their jungle themed dance during the Greek Week Airband competition Saturday in Lantz Arena. Pi Kappa Alpha won first place in the fraternity division for Airband.

ties and think ‘oh this is going to be funny or a joke’ but we took it serious.”

After placing first, Sheehy said she felt happy, and Hernandez said all the stress he had from coaching his team was all worth it in the end.

The dance team for Alpha Phi, dressed in matching leopard print, said they were born to be wild as they made the crowd go wild with their themed routine.

All dancing in the same step and never missing a beat, the girls from Alpha Phi showed the crowd what they were made of and brought them

to their feet when they used a stuffed Simba in their routine.

Gianna Coco, Kailin Haugh, and Vanessa Abraham, the captains for Alpha Phi said it took dedication, persistence, consistency and hard work to earn their first place victory.

“First we had to come up with the choreography, which took a couple days and hours and we taught all of them the basics and then we started getting really picky with running it over and over again and making it clean,” CoCo said.

Abraham said disputes were bound to happen considering they were

working with 14 women, but in the end they set aside their differences and worked toward their common goal.

“We are all dancers and we know that there is a certain level of professionalism that you have to have,” Haugh said. “We’re all adults and we don’t get hurt about it and I feel like we’re very mature in that aspect.”

As for placing first, the women said standing on stage and hearing the names run off was nerve wracking.

“I remember when they were announcing third place, second place, we were squeezing each others’

hands,” Coco said. “My stomach was dropping every time the pause happened.”

After their victory, the entire sorority circled their team onstage and in one collective voice they sang the sorority song with pride for their sisters.

“We are very proud of ourselves, we put in so much effort for this and I just feel like we had so much banking on this,” Haugh said. “It’s just an amazing feeling.”

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Barden’s daughter Zuri also went to Chicago State when she was younger.

“Both institutions are dear to me but as a south sider, I came to support students and to express my solidarity,” Barden said. “As a kid I grew up on this campus, going to daycare.”

Damon Williams, a member of the Black Youth Power 100, who were protesting at the rally, said the budget impasse is a dire crisis that is man made.

“When you take away schools and you take away hospitals and you take away the services people need to survive, that is violent by definition, and that violence is destabilizing and causes chaos,” Williams said.

After the rally, there was a march to the McDonald’s in solidarity with the “Fight for 15” workers and to Harlan Community Academy High

School in support of Chicago Teachers Union members.

As protesters marched, they yelled “Hey, hey, Ho, Ho, Bruce Rauner has got to go,” “Freedom, Freedom,” and “They say cut back, we say fight back.”

As the ralliers made way to their destination, a couple of cars honked in support of their cause.

Students and UPI members were also present for a larger rally in the Thompson Center later that day, where more groups and unions were rallying.

More signs could be seen, with “Save students not bankers,” and a skeleton wearing a graduation gown and cap waving in the air.

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Ralliers unite around the Thompson Center in Chicago to protest the lack of funding for higher education on Friday.

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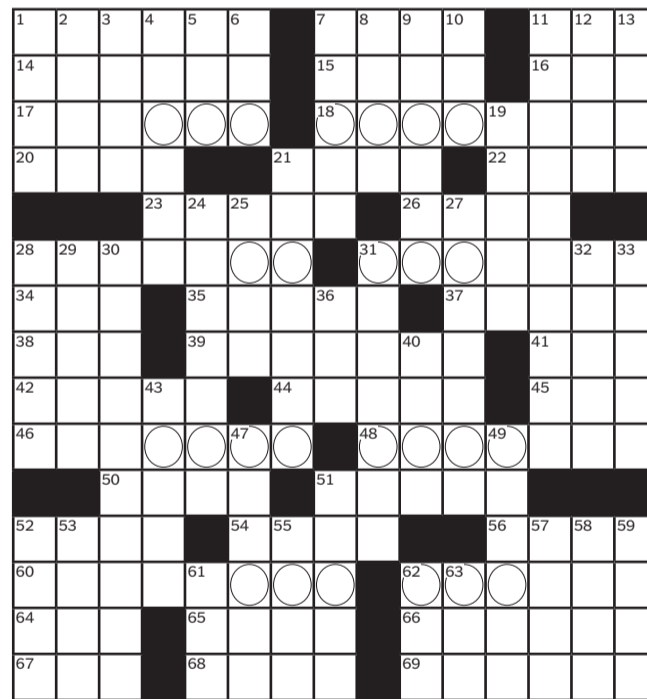
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 - 11 4.0 is a great one, in brief
 - 14 Frigid time, climatically speaking
 - 15 Repair
 - 16 Male sheep
 - 17 Witty remark
 - 18 The past, from a feminist standpoint
 - 20 Social slight
 - 21 Crafty Norse god
 - 22 Loud laughs
 - 23 "No more for me, thanks"
 - 26 ___ Crunch (Quaker cereal)
 - 28 Milan opera house
 - 31 Reason to stare off into space
 - 34 Mine find
 - 35 Finnish telecom giant
 - 37 Auto with the slogan "Zoom-zoom"
 - 38 ___ populi
 - 39 2/29/16, e.g. ... or a hint to the circled squares in this puzzle
 - 41 German article
 - 42 Louvre pyramid architect
 - 44 "Well, I ___ hand it to you ..."
 - 45 Regret
 - 46 Gullibility
 - 48 Kidnappers' demands
 - 50 How to address a king
 - 51 Area of a rectangle = length x ___
 - 52 Tiny bit
 - 54 "Quickly!," in an order
 - 56 Helper: Abbr.
 - 60 Once-ubiquitous red fixture seen along London streets
 - 62 Out of neutral
 - 64 Feel sick
 - 65 Become less full, as the moon
 - 66 Quality of a diva
 - 67 ___ Equis (Mexican beer)
 - 68 Things dyed for Easter
 - 69 Call for help
- DOWN**
- 1 Kids in the fam
 - 2 Clickable image
 - 3 Waiter's handout
 - 4 ___ pentameter
 - 5 Long, long ___
 - 6 Ping-Pong table divider
 - 7 "Can we turn on the A/C in here?!"
 - 8 Look for
 - 9 Fermi of physics
 - 10 Newspaper staffers, in brief
 - 11 Where the 9/11 Memorial is
 - 12 The "P" of PRNDL
 - 13 Schumer and Poehler
 - 19 Highly competitive, as a personality
 - 21 Possible result of a cracked pipe
 - 24 More macho
 - 25 ___ gin fizz
 - 27 Tropical insect that "marches"



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- 28 "I'm ___ it" (McDonald's slogan)
- 29 Scent
- 30 Johnny Rotten's punk band, with "the"
- 31 Scary experience for an LSD user
- 32 Intense hatred
- 33 What male lions have that lionesses lack
- 36 Wall St. debut
- 40 Somewhat
- 43 Aquafina rival
- 47 Lipton item attached to a string
- 49 Scooby-Doo's pal
- 51 Becomes fuller, as the moon
- 52 Apple tablet
- 53 Its postal abbreviation is also an exclamation
- 55 Ballad, e.g.
- 57 Edible part of a sunflower
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Eastern baseball team takes win in 3-game series

By Maher Kawash
Staff Reporter | @DEN_Sports

After two rough losses to start the three-game weekend series, the Eastern baseball team bounced back in the finale for its first conference win of the season.

The Panthers allowed 40 runs combined in the first two games of the series against Murray State, but held the Racers to just three in the finale.

The highlight of the series for Murray State fans at least was a 31-11 blowout of the Panthers.

But after a historic loss like that, Eastern was able to end its 0-8 start to Ohio Valley Conference play.

Game one offered multiple chances for the Panthers to take a win, but Murray State's offense never let up.

The Racers got out to an early lead on Eastern's junior starter Michael McCormick by putting two runs on the scoreboard in the first inning.

Murray State went on to add another run in the third to push the lead to three, but the Panthers had an answer.

Eastern answered with two runs in the fourth inning to cut the deficit to one, and that is when the back and forth affair began.

The Panthers tacked on two more runs in the fifth inning, but the Racers answered with two runs of their own in the bottom half of the inning.

But Eastern was not able to top



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Sophomore second baseman Cale Hennemann throws the ball over to first base for the out March 25 against Jacksonville State.

Murray State's 5-4 lead as the Racers added runs in the seventh and eighth innings to earn a 9-4 victory.

Game two offered a historic blowout for the program.

Senior Matt Wivinis started on the mound for Eastern, and fell in a deep hole after just one inning.

Wivinis allowed six runs in the first, and the Racers never looked back from there.

Murray State torched Wivinis out of the game after just one inning pitched and 10 runs allowed.

But after posting 16 runs in the first two innings the Racers still were

not done.

Murray State scored runs in every inning except for the fifth, and topped Eastern for a 20 run victory.

The Panthers were able to score 11 runs in the game off some solid individual performances, but that was not nearly enough.

Freshman Nick Maton, sophomore Cale Hennemann and sophomore Hunter Morris all hit solo home runs in the game.

But the MVP of the game was Murray State's Tyler Dixon.

Dixon had a record performance as he hit four home runs for the Racers to tie a program and OVC record.

While game two offered a tough setback for Eastern, the series finale brought much more success to the program.

The Panthers fell into a 1-0 deficit after the second inning but brought home three runs in the fourth to take the lead.

Murray State was able to bring it within one in the bottom of the fifth inning, but the Panthers did not allow a comeback.

Eastern added runs in the seventh, eighth and ninth innings to earn a 9-3 victory in game three.

The Panthers improved to 1-8 in the OVC after the victory, and 5-22 overall on the season.

Eastern does not have much time to celebrate over the win as the team travels to Champaign Tuesday for a matchup against Illinois.

The game against Illinois is the first of a home-and-home series between the Fighting Illini this season.

First pitch in that game is at 6 p.m.

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Men's tennis team falls twice in weekend matches

By Tyler McCluskey
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The Eastern men's tennis team dropped two conference matches this weekend.

The Panthers (3-12) had two close matches, each coming down to a third and final set, against Belmont and Tennessee State.

The Panthers lost both matches 4-3.

Their record sits at 1-4 in Ohio Valley Conference play.

In the second set of senior Robert Skolik's match against Belmont's Robin Demasse, Skolik was ready and waiting for Demasse to serve and then return for match point.

Even after Demasse questioned a couple of Skolik's calls, Demasse served and Skolik returned.

After a couple more volleys back and forth, Skolik hit the ball down the line with his forehand.

Demasse backhanded it coming up short.

Skolick earned his fourth straight

match victory winning 7-5, 6-2 at the No.2 position.

"(Demasse) was a competitive guy, he kept pumping himself up even though he was losing, so I knew he was going to fight," Skolik said. "(Demasse) was getting chippy at the end where he was questioning my calls, and I knew I had to keep playing steady and not let him get into my head. So I just buckled down and told myself to keep pushing and it finally ended up where I got the match point."

Coach Sam Kercheval said Belmont was a loud and boisterous team throughout, even during the women's match.

"From day one we have said 'control what you can control; you can't control how your opponent plays, acts, talks, the crowd, the wind and a lot of things we experienced,'" Kercheval said. "Rob did a good job just playing the game, and he really dominated that match from start to end."

Another key victory for the Panthers was from sophomore Grant Rei-

man at the No. 3 spot.

He defeated Adam Rudowski 6-2, 6-4.

Grant Reiman was attacking the net to finish out.

"The win for Grant might be the biggest of his career," Kercheval said. "He came forward more than usual because it's what we had to do. (Rudowski) was crafty and didn't hit a big ball and combined with the wind which slowed everything down, we had lots of opportunity to move forward and finish points."

The match came down to senior Rui Silva's third set against Zak Khan. In which ultimately he lost 2-6, 6-3, 6-3.

"Rui knew it was coming down to him and before I said anything he was already in a good frame of mind," Kercheval said. "There were a couple of small tactical points we talked about but by the third set you usually know the game plan and then it is about execution."

Sophomore Trent Reiman finished the day with a victory over Toby

Nicholson 6-2, 7-5.

Freshman Ognjen Jevtic lost to Bruno Russo 6-3, 6-2.

Senior Ryan Henderson lost 6-2, 6-4 against Cedric Dujacquier.

For doubles, Henderson and Jevtic lost 6-2 to Khan and Caio Neil.

The Reiman brothers lost 6-1 to Russo and Rudowski.

Skolik and Silva went unfinished against Demasse and Dujacquier.

Wind was another major factor in the match.

At some points, the ball would either hang in the air and land on the same side or it would end up being long.

"Weather was certainly a big factor because the wind was some of the strongest I've ever experienced," Kercheval said.

Saturdays match against Tennessee State was moved indoors to the Danville Tennis Center because of the weather.

The Panthers suffered their first loss to the Tigers after being 17-0.

The Panthers started strong win-

ning the doubles point.

The Reiman brothers won 6-3 over Jorge Rodriguez and Shashank Nautiyal.

Silva and Skolik defeated Amir Daniel and Daniel Bernal 6-3.

Grant Reiman and Silva's matches went to three sets.

Grant Reiman lost to Rodriguez 7-6 (7-4), 4-6, 6-3.

Silva was defeated by Kyle Burton 6-0, 4-6, 6-2.

Skolik won 6-3, 6-2 over Nautiyal.

That is Skolik's fifth straight singles match victory. Jevtic beat Daniel 6-2, 6-2.

Henderson lost 6-1, 6-4 against Bernal.

Trent lost to Grant Maddox 6-3, 6-4.

Next up for the Panthers are a couple of home matches against Jacksonville State at 10 a.m. on Friday and then at 11 a.m. Saturday against Tennessee Tech.

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Women's tennis team sweeps 2 OVC opponents

By Kaitlin Cordes
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The women's tennis team took home two more conference wins from Friday's match against Belmont and Saturday's matchup with Tennessee State.

The wins put the Panthers at 11-5 overall and 5-1 in the Ohio Valley Conference.

Eastern swept the Belmont Bruins 7-0 on the Darling Courts at home.

The Panthers' win put the Bruins at 2-11 overall and 0-4 in the conference.

The tennis team took an early lead, opening the match by earning the opening doubles point.

The Panthers went on to snatch the remaining doubles contests.

Senior Ali Foster and junior Kelly Iden trumped the Bruins' Abbie Mather and Laura Van Eeckhoudt 6-3 in the No. 2 contest.

Freshman Srishti Slaria and junior Kamile Stadalninkaite added a ninth win to their doubles record with a victory over Mical Johnson and Suzanna Stapler, 6-2.

Senior Hannah Kimbrough and sophomore Grace Summers earned the win in their unfinished match against Lindsey Whitehead and Kendall Warren.

Summers said the match went unfinished because the team was able to clench their doubles matches.

Clenching the matches means as soon as two of the three doubles matches are won, the third competition stops.

Because Foster and Iden and Slaria and Stadalninkaite won their contests, Kimbrough and Summers' matchup ended.

Summers explained that this is done in order for the matches to not last as long.

The Panthers rolled through their singles matches with only one going into three sets.

Iden defeated Van Eeckhoudt at the No. 1 spot 6-3, 6-2, starting the Panthers domination of the remaining five matches.

Foster beat Warren in their No. 2 matchup, winning 6-4, 6-3.

Summers competed at the No. 3 position and rolled past Stapler with her 6-0, 6-1 win.



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Senior Hannah Kimbrough, along with sophomore Grace Summers, defeat Belmont in their doubles match on Friday at the Darling Courts.

The win puts Summers at 13-1 in singles.

In the No. 4 match, Kimbrough trumped Belmont's Maddie Gilley 6-4, 6-1.

Slaria earned the victory over Mather with a pair of 6-4 wins.

Freshman Abby Carpenter's No. 6 match against Johnson went to three sets.

Carpenter pulled out the win 2-6, 6-2, 10-4 to round out the singles wins.

The Panthers posted another sweep over the weekend, beating Tennessee State 4-0.

Eastern's doubles duo had a total takeover of the doubles matches.

Kimbrough and Summers rolled

through their matchup against Abhilasha Vishwanath and Pragati Natraj.

The Panther pair took home a 6-1 win.

Foster and Iden also posted a 6-1 victory over Phoenix Gandy and Taylor Patterson.

Slaria and Stadalninkaite's match defaulted to an unfinished result to round out the Panther wins.

The doubles teams are now a combined 28-8 and 9-1 in the OVC.

In singles, Kimbrough, Slaria and Carpenter's matches went unfinished because the first three matches saw wins for Eastern.

Iden defeated Ani Popiashvili 6-3, 6-1, and Foster topped Natraj 6-2, 6-1.

Summers breezed past Gandy 6-0, 6-1.

Summers was awarded Co-OVC Female Athlete of the Week last week for her second consecutive conference honor.

Mia Frogner of Southern Illinois-Carbondale was the co-recipient.

The sophomore earned the honor after another perfect performance in singles and doubles, this time against Murray State and Austin Peay.

Summers' Mar. 25 matchup against Murray State's Haily Morgan went to three hard fought sets with Summers pulling out the 5-7, 6-4, 6-2 win.

Her match with Austin Peay's Helena Kupig went more smoothly as Summers won 6-4, 6-0.

Summers and Kimbrough downed their opponents last weekend with a pair of 6-4 wins in doubles.

The duo leads the team with a 12-3 record.

Other players nominated for the honor were Corentine Bodin of Eastern Kentucky, Genevieve Ulanday of Jacksonville State, Ayaka Terashia of Morehead State and Phyllicia Hemp-hill of Tennessee State.

The Panthers' next contest will be a home match against the visiting Southern Illinois- Edwardsville Cougars on Wednesday April 6 at 1 p.m.

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Panthers softball team takes win against Racers

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After dropping both games in the doubleheader on Saturday, the Eastern softball team came back on Sunday to get a 2-0 win, ending its seven-game losing streak.

Senior first baseman Kylie Bennett continued to be a big run producer for the Panthers, driving in a run in the first inning on a double to left center field.

Senior third baseman Haylee Beck scored on the play.

She reached base on a fielder's choice.

Bennett now has 17 RBIs this season.

Bennett tries to clear her head and tells herself she is a better hitter than any pitcher before each at bat, she said.

"Before this weekend, I was struggling a little bit," Bennett said. "But this weekend really helped with my confidence. I love helping my team and getting the RBIs, and of course I wouldn't be able to do that without

them getting on base."

Sophomore pitcher Jessica Wireman got back into her usual form, pitching seven innings and allowing just two hits and no runs.

She struck out three and walked two batters as well.

The win improved her record to 8-16.

Wireman got the loss in the first game on Saturday.

Eastern held the 1-0 lead all the way until the seventh when Beck found herself on the other end of the scoring play driving in freshman Mady Poulter.

"As a team the difference about (Sunday) was the overall energy," Bennett said. "We went into that game knowing we were the better team and knowing that we had to prove it."

Murray State scored four early runs in the first game of the series and that is all they would need to get the win against the Panthers.

Murray State got on the board in the first inning off a double steal.

Two innings later, Cayla Levins hit

"We are a better team than we are showing, and we are finally ready to show everyone that."

Kylie Bennett, senior first baseman

a three-run home run in the third inning to give the Racers a four-run lead early in the game.

The Panthers matched the Racers in hits, but Eastern was unable to get their base runners around to score, and Murray State did.

Eastern threatened to score in the sixth inning, getting two runners on with just one out.

Poulter reached base on an error and was moved to third on freshman Kayla Bear's single down the right field line.

Murray State got the next two batters out and end the inning.

The Panthers also got runners on in the fourth and seventh inning.

Wireman took the loss on the mound, going six innings allowing three earned runs.

The run in the first inning off the double steal went unearned because of an error by senior shortstop Katie Watson.

Bear, Watson, Bennett, senior April Markowski and freshman Jennifer Ames each got a hit in the game.

Beck had a big performance in the second game of the doubleheader, but it was not enough as the Panthers fell 7-5.

It was a back-and-forth game, but Murray just got by the Panthers.

Bear led off the game reaching on an error.

She was not on base for long as Beck homered to left field to make it 2-0.

Markowski made it 3-0 by singling to the right side driving in Watson.

Beck gave the Panthers a 4-3 lead

in the third inning after Murray State tied it in the bottom half of the first inning.

Murray State regained the lead in the bottom of the third and added to it in the sixth inning.

Bennett drove in Bear in the seventh to make it 7-5, ending the game. Two errors by the Panthers' defense made a big difference in the game.

Sophomore pitcher Michelle Rogers was on the mound and took the loss.

Rogers went six innings giving up seven runs but only three of them were earned.

Eastern is now 10-23 overall and 4-6 in conference play.

"I think as a team we have gained so much confidence just from (Sunday's win) and hopefully it's good enough to carry into the next weekend," Bennett said. "We are a better team than we are showing, and we are finally ready to show everyone that."

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