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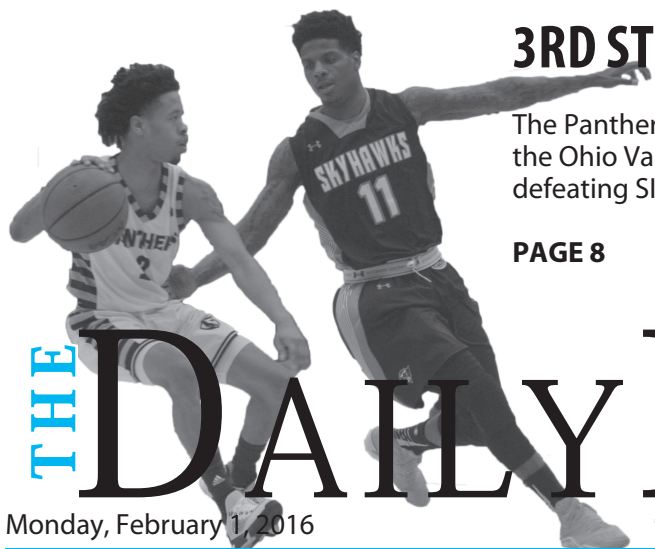
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The Panthers moved into first place in the Ohio Valley Conference West after defeating SIUE 60 to 46.

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Eastern's Astronomy Club held an open house Friday where guests viewed Orion.

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Community enjoys start of warm weather

Students, residents head outside while warm temperatures take over winter

By Analicia Haynes
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Unusual weather took Eastern by surprise Sunday afternoon, alleviating students' cabin fever and briefly curing the winter slump.

Whether it was by walking the dog, playing catch or enjoying study time on the Doudna steps, students and community members swarmed the campus, soaking up the warm weather before winter returns from vacation.

Cameron Craig, an Eastern climatologist and geology professor, said the reason why winter is becoming warmer is because of El Niño in the central pacific.

"El Niño is a major global pattern that influences long term forecasting," Craig said. "It's a chain reaction; whatever happens in the central pacific happens in the Midwest."

Warmer weather will most likely continue into the beginning of the week, with Monday seeing a high of 50 degrees and a low of 34 degrees and Tuesday seeing a high of 61 degrees and a low of 36 degrees.

Tuesday also could see potential clouds and rainfall.

Fawaz Sarumi, a senior psychology major, said the unexpected weather was amazing, and he spent the afternoon walking with his dog, Idris.

"I feel bad that I can't walk him as much over the winter, but he enjoys this," Sarumi said.

Sarumi said he and Idris are taking advantage of the warm weather while it lasts, and they typically enjoy longboarding together on warm days.

Sarumi said he likes to have Idris pull him along on the long-board while he hangson to the leash.

"I want to enjoy it before things get serious, and it makes the week go by easier," Sarumi said. "It puts me in a better mood."

Sierra Murray, a junior marketing major,



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Idris (right) kisses 10-month-old Madison Staskiewicz (left), a Charleston resident, Sunday afternoon in the Library Quad.

"I'm looking to see when the daffodils will poke out. We'll have to wait to see but enjoy the ride."

Cameron Craig, Eastern climatologist and geology professor

said she loved the weather.

"It's nice to have, but it is extremely strange," Murraray said.

Murray was outside on the Doudna steps studying and doing some reflection but she later said the weather made her want to play instead of work.

Murray said she was outside because she does not like being cooped up, and it was peaceful.

"The winter, it just makes me feel restricted, like I have to be inside," Murray said. "I don't want to go outside and freeze my butt off."

Murray said she can not remember when the weather has been this unpredictable.

Ichiro Ohira, sophomore communication studies major, said the weather could be worse.

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CFD responds to fire alarms during weekend

By Cassie Buchman
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The Charleston Fire Department was called Sunday to University Court to investigate a burnt food incident.

The incident occurred at 3:12 p.m. in one of the downstairs apartments of the Cooper Building.

The residents were cooking supper for the evening when one of their pans overheated and started smoking up the food in the apartment.

There was not a fire in the apartment, only smoke from the pans caused the fire alarm to go off.

To get the smoke out, the fire department ventilated the apartment on the bottom floor using an electrical cord running from the generator on the fire truck and hooked up the cord to an electrical fan.

Capt. James Calvert said the fire alarms would be reset after everyone was let back into the building.

He said the smoke caused no damage.

The students were let back in around 3:32 p.m., about 20 minutes after they evacuated Cooper.

"It's pretty much a cut-and-dry case for us," Calvert said.

The Charleston Fire Department was also called around 2 p.m. Saturday to the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union.

The reason for this was an activation of a detector head in one of the rooms of the Union where someone was working.

The detector head was activated when some water got into it because of a plumbing project.

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Three firefighters hook up a fan to the power source coming from the fire engine to ventilate one of the apartments in the Cooper Building at University Court Sunday.


Local weather

MONDAY



Partly Cloudy
High: 50°
Low: 34°

TUESDAY



Rainy
High: 61°
Low: 36°

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Lions in Winter celebrates writers

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The fourth annual Lions in Winter conference was held in the Doudna Fine Arts Center Friday and Saturday. Moira Crone acted as the keynote speaker for this year’s event, and the featured writers included a poet, a creative writer, a fiction writer, and a children’s writer and illustrator, Jan Spivey Gilchrist has illustrated more than 73 award-winning books for children, and the first book she illustrated, “Children of Long Ago,” won the People’s Choice Award. Jan Spivey Gilchrist hosted story hour in the Booth Library Ballenger Teachers Center. “I was very honored; I was very flattered to be asked,” Jan Spivey Gilchrist said. “They were going to give me the babies, and I love that. So I just did the reading for the children. That’s my favorite thing ever.” Jan Spivey Gilchrist said she has always been an artist ever since she was little. “As a kid I was an artist, I mean like little, 3, 4, 5 (years old), and I have been doing paintings (and) galleries for all my life,” Jan Spivey Gilchrist said. Jan Spivey Gilchrist said around 1986 she met renowned author Eloise Greenfield at her autographing where she gave Greenfield one of her drawings.

“So I met her, never thinking I would ever illustrate for her,” Jan Spivey Gilchrist said. “She and I ended up doing 29 collaborations.” Jan Spivey Gilchrist said the Lions in Winter reading in the library went great, and by the time she was done reading, the children came up and hugged her like she knew they would. “Those kids were great. We had a ball; we had a really good time,” Jan Spivey Gilchrist said. “I told the babies before—they were all kind of standing off—I said, ‘before I am done you’re all going to want to hug me,’ which they did. They all come over one at a time showing me their art.” Jan Spivey Gilchrist said she read the book “The Girl Who Buried Her Dreams in A Can.” Angela Vietto, co-organizer for Lions in Winter and an English professor at Eastern, said this was her first year helping out with the literary festival. “(I) served on the creative writing committee this semester this year, and so I was a part of organizing this wonderful program,” Vietto said. “So it an exciting opportunity to bring in great writers on campus for Eastern students. But it also attracts students from other campuses and colleges. So it’s a great way for us to showcase Eastern by getting students from other places here on our campus.”



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People look at and sell books during a book fair at the Lions in Winter Literary Festival Saturday afternoon in the Doudna Fine Arts Center.

Vietto said she does not require her students to attend Lions in Winter but does encourage them to come. She said she is pleased to see that most of her students did attend Lions in Winter. McKenzie Dial, a graduate English student, said attending Lions in Winter was a great opportunity for her. Dial said her fortes in writing are poetry and fiction, so the two seminars she attended this Lions in Winter helped her out. “I went to Bradford Tice’s poetry craft talk and Moira Crone’s fiction craft talk, and they were both incredi-

ble. I learned a lot and feel very motivated to go out and write some more.” Charlotte Pence, organizer for Lions in Winter and assistant English professor, said Lions in Winter this year had a great turnout. “I want to be able to bring to the community and to students the chance to interact with writers,” Pence said. “To get inspired and learn more about their craft and just celebrate books.”

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Novelist discusses 'dangerous childhoods'

By T’Nerra Butler
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During the Lions In Winter Literary Festival, the keynote speaker shared her writing style insights with two rooms of people. Novelist Moira Crone read excerpts from her novel “The Ice Garden” Friday in the Doudna Fine Arts Center Lecture Hall to a crowd of students, faculty and staff. Crone’s subject was literature and dangerous childhoods, which were discussed at her craft talk Saturday. Craft talks, book fairs and workshops were all fused together in this year’s festival. At her craft talk, Crone brought up different examples of how writers depict a childhood as terrifying. Some of those examples included “Cinderella,” “Little Red Riding Hood” and “Hansel and Gretel.” Crone’s asked her audience why people write stories about sometimes traumatizing childhoods. “Because they want to tell. There is an enormous desire to tell,” Crone

said. “There’s outrage and it’s anger. They want to expose what has been hidden.” Crone said many writers write to show the reader what happened and to tell how trauma can be overcome. One of her lines stuck so well with the audience that one person mentioned it during the question and answer section at the end of the session. “She went through a room like a magnet, pulling every man’s mind behind her,” Crone read from “The Ice Garden.” The excerpt described the main character’s mother from “The Ice Garden.” The excerpt took the audience on a trip to show how a mentally ill woman is seen through her child’s eyes. Crone said the book was originally called “Beauty.” She said her experiences as a child inspired her to write a short story in college, that later turned into the book. “I was very interested in the idea of a little girl who needs to protect her baby sister and in families that

are breaking down and how the children care for each other,” Crone said. “Those were some of the subjects I was interested in.” Crone said the mother in the book was the epitome of the word beauty, but she was cold. She said the two names for the book came from those concepts. “Currently there are so many memoirs about terrible childhoods that many people read, and I was really interested in it as a subject,” Crone said. Crone said she thinks that one of the reasons people read is to have some type of psychological experience that is healing. “If you start at a place that is really vulnerable, but things turn out better, there’s a experience in the reading,” Crone said. Alexandria Dean, an English graduate student, sat in on Crones keynote speech and her craft talk. Dean said she is a horror fiction writer. “I enjoy making interesting characters that people react to,” Dean said.

“I found that I was best able to express myself in ways that frightened people.” Dean said she enjoys presenting her readers with fear but moving them in a way that is more than just scaring them. “The craft talk offered this idea of excitement as the opposite side of the coined to joy,” Dean said. “I never envisioned it as the other end to terror.” Dean said the craft talk helped her to consider a book as a rollercoaster that keeps the reader on edge. “You can always close the book if you don’t like what you’re reading,” Dean said. The craft talk offers a chance for students to see literature outside of a lecture hall, Crone said. “If you’re in a curriculum where you see the same professor every week, this gives you a different perspective,” Crone said. “It’s energizing for all who are concerned.”

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What’s Happening on Campus?

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Tarble Arts Center

Freedom from Smoking: Session 1 | 12:00 - 1:00 PM
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Observatory guests view Orion Nebula

By **Analicia Haynes**
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The numbing cold and lack of a telescope did not stop members of Eastern’s Astronomy Club from showing off the observatory at the open house Friday night.

The observatory was built by students in October of 2004 and has since been used for research, class projects or just to see what the night sky has to offer.

James Conwell, the former observatory director for nearly 30 years, said he continues to come out and show his support for the physics department despite his recent retirement.

“I do it for the students,” Conwell said. “The physics department has seen an increase in enrolment for its majors.”

Although the telescope was not working as a result of a faulty circuit board, visitors were still able to see constellations as well as the great Orion Nebula by using green light laser pointers and binoculars.

“We use green laser pointers because they help with pointing out things to the general public,” Conwell said.

Horn said it is also nice to attach the laser to the telescope so it is easier to view things.

Conwell said when it comes to space, the distances are vast and it is possible to look at stuff before the sun was even born.

“For example, the Whirlpool Galaxy is about 35 million light years away so you’re actually seeing what it was 35 million years ago,” Conwell said.

Conwell also said the Andromeda Galaxy, which is the closest and biggest galaxy, is the most distant object a person can see with the naked eye on a very dark night.

“It’s two and half million light years away,” Conwell said. “That means you’re looking at it before people were on earth.”

Nathan Barnett-Bishop, the secretary for the club, said “we have even seen the dark side of the moon and there is no giant robot.”

Lauren Horn, the president of Astronomy Club, said sci-fi movies have been the biggest influence on her choice of major.

“I love everything about this,” Horn said.

Horn said being in the observatory is like being in a classroom and doing her hobby.

Students also do research on asteroids and super novas at The Astronomical Research Institute, which is just 15 miles away from campus, Conwell said.

“Bob Holmes runs it (the institute) and it currently contains the worlds largest privately owned telescope, which is three times bigger than the telescope in the observatory,” Horn said.



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Nathan Barnett-Bishop, a sophomore engineering major, examines the telescope Friday night during the open house at the Observatory.

Horn said she found an asteroid but is waiting to find out if she was the first person to discover it so she can name it.

Horn and Conwell also said to avoid “buying a star.”

“It’s a scam,” Horn said. “My par-

ents did it and I had to tell them.”

The observatory open house takes place on the last Friday of every month rain or shine, Conwell said.

Horn said when it comes to bracing the cold during cold open house days, she learned to layer.

“Any one can join the astronomy club,” Conwell said. “It’s not just for physics majors.”

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African-American Heritage Month events begin

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With years of bringing events that celebrate African-American Heritage Month, 2016 is no different with the “Black Awakening,” as the committee’s theme.

This month begins Monday with a kickoff event and will go on to have events almost every day during February.

Yolanda Williams, a Gateway adviser and the African-American Heritage month chair, said the committee looked at what was going on with African-American students not only at Eastern but nationwide.

“The rallies, the stuff that was going on at Mizzou and all the protest was a new awakening for black people and black students,” Yolanda Williams said.

The students around campus contributed a lot to the month with their overabundance of ideas, Yolanda Williams said. She said they heard the final theme and ran with it.

Tiyaji Williams, a junior communication studies major, was part of this year’s committee, and said she felt honored after joining the group.

She said this year’s theme has great timing.

“In all of the things that are going on, the set backs we’ve had, people are now becoming more educated and fighting back, and it’s definitely the black awakening,” Tiyaji Williams said.

Yolanda Williams said this year the budget for the month was cut by a few hundred dollars, and negotiating was key in bringing some of the events to campus.

“It’s still important. Diversity is im-

portant whether we have \$5 or \$5 million,” Yolanda Williams said. “It’s important especially at a predominantly white institution.”

Yolanda Williams said this year was a waiting game when it came to being able to setting dates for different presenters. She said when the money is delayed, the calendar is delayed and it makes it harder to lock in a presenter.

When it came to asking other departments, Yolanda Williams said she did not want to ask for money.

“It just wasn’t there,” Yolanda Williams said. “All of us are in the same boat with our budgets, so it would be unfair for me to ask for money. That was the sad thing about this year.”

With the budget aside, Yolanda Williams said the celebration of African-American Heritage Month is essential.

“As a society, as a world we aren’t at a place where we are so diverse and connected with each other’s history that black history is no longer needed,” Yolanda Williams said. “We are not there yet. We’re not post-racial.”

Yolanda Williams said the message the students should take from the month is that the black awakening goes farther than just the month of February.

“It means being awake on what’s going on globally with people of color,” Yolanda Williams said. “Really look at what is going on in the world when it comes to young black people.”

With an event to attend almost everyday, Yolanda Williams said students would take away something with going to just a few if they cannot make them all. She said students should go to the mixer on Monday to

find out about the month of events.

Yolanda Williams said one misconception about the month is the celebration is just for the African-American community. She said the month was designed to celebrate a heritage, but it is still inclusive and people from all backgrounds can take from the month.

“You should already be awake, but if not this is it,” Yolanda Williams said. “Find out what you can do to help you and the people of color in this world.”

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For a full calendar of events for the month, visit us online at www.dailyeasternnews.com.

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Jack Cruikshank

Be a solution to Eastern's problems

Two years ago, almost to the day, I wrote a column for *The Daily Eastern News* titled "Be the solution to enrollment problems," and hopefully I am not imploring these same ideas two years from now.

In the column, I addressed how Eastern's fall enrollment had declined from 12,179 in 2007 to its Spring 2014 number: 8,833.

I wrote that while Eastern's enrollment waned for a number of reasons. It was every student's prerogative (and arguably, an obligation) to act as a recruiter for our university.

Today, I see an even more grievous threat to the institutions such as Eastern all around the state. With this spring's enrollment of 7,876, Eastern has not rebounded to anywhere close to those 2007 numbers.

With no appropriations from the state, Eastern is owed around \$40 million plus another \$9 million promised for Monetary Award Program grant reimbursements.

With apathetic attitudes abounding, I don't know what to do anymore.

It is time for every student to start caring.

Why are we all spending large amounts of money and considerable chunks of our young lives here on campus? Academic prowess gleaned through learning should be why we're here.

Learning should be fun; learning should be entertaining; learning should be making you want to jump out of bed every morning (or early afternoon – I'm not judging) to tell someone you know more now than when you graduated high school.

If learning is not even one of those things above, maybe simply earning a diploma is why you are here. If so, that's fabulous!

That diploma could take you anywhere in the world, opening up new pathways you never even knew existed.

Not to toot my own horn, but because of the excellent study abroad program here at Eastern, I spent last semester exploring multiple countries in East Asia. One day I saw Tiananmen Square and another I was crawling through the Viet Cong tunnels in southern Vietnam.

These experiences, whether they occur in Charleston or China, are the reason we are all here to learn from professors who truly care about what becomes of our lives.

However, if your academic career is somehow cut short or the quality is critically lowered because of budget cuts, shouldn't all students have a vested interest in it?

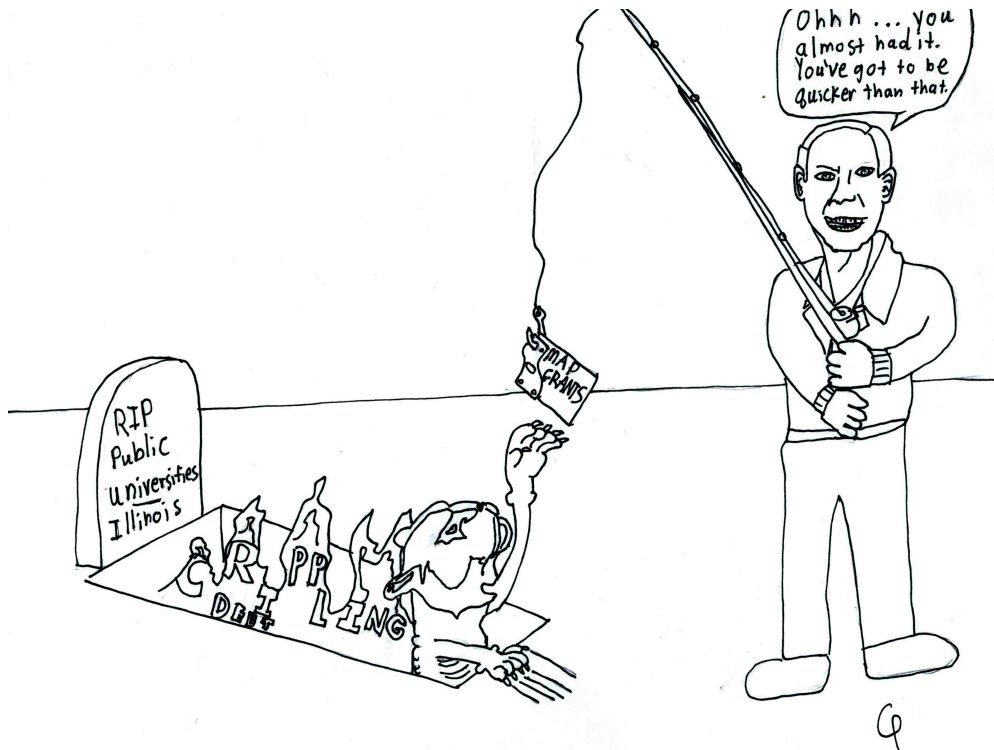
I know I do, and I hope I have inspired others to care as much as I.

If you really are concerned about education in our state and want to learn more about what you can do to help Eastern remain a viable option for higher education in Illinois, attend the Fund EIU rally being held at 4 p.m. this Friday in the Library Quad.

Show up to express support for anyone who is EIU, from alumni and students to faculty and staff. No matter what one does at Eastern, remember that you are EIU.

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Got to be Quicker



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Staff Editorial

Enrollment drop is considered normal

The spring enrollment numbers for Eastern were released early last week, and this semester's numbers are quite lower than what they have been in previous semesters.

Blair Lord, the vice president for academic affairs, said the change in the numbers was expected.

In this academic year alone, Eastern has lost 644 students.

While the trend of gaining more students in the fall than in the spring semester and losing students from the fall to spring is considered to be normal, there is a bleak future on the horizon.

Currently, Illinois still has no state budget, which would make it harder for any of Illinois institutions to continue their operations as they normally would.

There are some positives to take note of in the numbers said about Eastern's enrollment.

The number of international students has gone up, which is a favorable sign for the university, and the number of seniors at Eastern has also gone up as well.

The biggest surprise of the rising numbers was the number of graduate students enrolled.

In Friday's edition of *The Daily Eastern News*, Lord was quoted as saying this was unusual for a school like Eastern, but it was considered to be a good sign for the university.

Even with these positive numbers, the rest of them are not as good. Looking at the total number of students enrolled at Eastern in the fall 2014 semester, there were 8,913, which then decreased to 8,214 in the following spring.

During the fall 2015 semester, the total student enrollment was 8,520 students, and this semester, there are only 7,876 students currently enrolled at Eastern.

These trends of fewer students at Eastern in the spring rather than in the fall will mostly likely end up getting worse without a state budget. Students may not be able to afford going to school in the future.

Earlier in the semester, Chris Dearth, the former directors of admissions, left his position here at Eastern to pursue a job offer elsewhere.

While he was still at Eastern, Dearth did a good job in terms of trying to bring in more students, and for the most part Dearth was successful in his endeavors.

Now without a new director of admissions and no state budget, Eastern now faces bigger challenges when it is faced bringing in and keeping more students in the years to come.

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

Research charities before giving money

The urge to give is a great thing. Many people give frequently when presented the opportunity, whether they give generously or not. However, not many people actually research charities before placing money in their hands. This can be unwise, depending on the charities one interacts with.

To avoid giving money to unscrupulous or inefficient charities, it's important to evaluate every charity thoroughly. The best way to evaluate a charity is to check their financial records, usually on Charity Navigator.

According to Charity Navigator, the best charities use at least 90 percent of their funds on program expenses. For example, the Susan G. Komen Foundation uses just under 50 percent of its revenue for education and around 26 percent of its revenue on breast cancer screening and treatment, ranking it as less than efficient.

Not every piece of information about a charity is available on Charity Navigator, however. Some charities function on misinformation, even when their ratings may technically be good.

Take for instance Invisible Children, the charity that created the infamous Kony 2012 campaign and its viral awareness scheme. While it holds a three- of four-star rating on Charity Navigator (a star more than the Susan G. Komen Foundation), this charity functions on misleading and dangerous false information.

As the *Huffington Post* claims, tensions in Uganda are a long-standing, deep-rooted affair,



Shelby Niehaus

and removing a single man from the scheme will not fix the problem at its origin. Furthermore, another *Huffington Post* reporter claims that Joseph Kony has not been sighted since 2010.

Furthermore, even if a charity is technically airtight and well intended, the charity's moral code and functions may be unsavory for some people. For example, while the Salvation Army does good work, they discriminate against LGBT people, and I no longer donate money to them through personal preference.

There are some other red flags that some charities send up that are less obvious than the first few. While these red flags are telling, they may not be a sign of corruption or disorder when seen individually. They are simply smaller evaluative tools.

One of the red flags is a "free stuff" model. Remember Invisible Children? Their charity model, when cultivating the Kony 2012 campaign, involved sending loads of free knick-

knacks to their donors. Sturdy wristbands, bags, glossy posters and advertising materials, T-shirts... all for a quaint little donation price. After all that manufacture, however, where has that donation money gone?

Some charities also use manipulative tactics to get donations or give services. For instance, PETA, in interacting with Flint, Mich. residents during their ongoing water crisis, offered free, clean water for a month to any family that tried a vegan diet.

Of course, this sounds chincy and possibly harmless, but in reality, it's a means of making the needy jump through hoops to receive something a charitable organization already possessed and was willing to give. It also does not take into account the expenses that go into vegan diets, and Flint's vast food desert (in which healthy foods are hard or impossible to come by).

Before giving to a charity, check them out on Charity Navigator, and look for their financial data. If at all possible, give locally, and give items that the charity has said they need. Alternatively, one may also give directly to research labs, shelters and hospitals rather than navigate a third party.

Charity is a great thing, and very praiseworthy most of the time, but beware: don't part with money that won't be going to a just cause.

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No Stress, All Dress



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Payton West, a sophomore at CHS, goes through dresses Saturday during the prom dress resale fundraiser at the Mattoon Cross County Mall with Emma Bruce, a sophomore at CHS. The two volunteered to work at this event for the marching band.

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“(The weather is) pretty nice, and I’ll take it,” Ohira said. Ohira spent the afternoon playing catch and getting away from the tension of school with friends Nicholas Tkachok, a freshman physics major, and Anthony Schell, a freshman biology major. “It’s weird going from negative-degree weather to 60-degree weather,” Schell said. Craig said the days that lead up to spring will experience a roller coaster effect, meaning that it will be warm one day and cold the next. Charleston resident Jen Staskiewicz was out walking in the Library Quad with her family.

She said her 7-year-old daughter woke up and saw the sun, making them want to go out and enjoy the weather while they can. “We haven’t been out here since October, so we thought we’d come on out and check it out a little bit today,” Staskiewicz said. Staskiewicz’s 10-month-old daughter was enjoying the warmer weather as well. “When we first got her out, she was grabbing on to the stroller, feeling the wind on her face,” Staskiewicz said.

“Everybody enjoys the warm weather because they don’t have to bundle up.” Despite the unusual weather, Craig said he believes there will be an early spring. “I’m looking to see when the daffodils will poke out,” Craig said. “We’ll have to wait to see but enjoy the ride.” *Cassie Buchman contributed to this article.* *Analicia Haynes can be reached at 581-2812 or achaynes@eiu.edu.*



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Fawaz Sarumi, a senior psychology major, enjoys the unusual January weather Sunday afternoon with his dog, Idris in front of the Doudna steps.



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Panthers’ losing streak continues after SIUE

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The Eastern women’s basketball team nearly earned its first win in almost three months, but fell to Southern Illinois Edwardsville for its 21st straight loss.

With the loss, Eastern falls to 1-21 and 0-10 in the OVC while SIUE improves to conference best 9-1 and 14-9 overall.

Eastern made 11 three-pointers and shot 50 percent from beyond the arc.

This is the third time this year where they have made 10 or more three-pointers.

Five players finished in double-digits for SIUE. They were led by Shrona Butts, who had 20 points, seven rebounds and six assists.

Sophomore Jalisha Smith scored the first basket of the game for Eastern, but the Cougars went on to score the next 16 points and led 16-2 midway through the first.

Freshman Halle Stull ended the run with a three-pointer, giving the Panthers life.

They went on a 13-5 run after that and pulled within six points of SIUE after a three-pointer from Carmen Tellez.

Eastern trailed 23-15 after one quarter.

Eastern started the second quarter with a three-pointer from Tellez, making the score 23-18, but SIUE followed with a 9-0 run.

Smith ended that run with a layup as they trailed 32-20. Smith finished with a career-high 14 points. SIUE took a 45-32 lead going into halftime.

Eastern shot 40 percent in the first half and remained in the game thanks to players coming off the bench, as they outscored the Cou-



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Sophomore guard Grace Lennox scored nine points in the Panthers’ 85-77 loss to Morehead State on Jan. 16 in Lantz Arena. Lennox also had nine points during the Panthers’ 85-77 loss to Southern Illinois-Edwardsville on Saturday in Vadalabene Center in Edwardsville, Ill.

gars 17-7 in that category. The second period started with the two teams trading baskets. Eastern trailed by 10 points for most of the third quarter.

Junior Erica Brown scored a layup with 2:47 remaining in the third to bring the Panthers within six points.

SIUE went on to score the next five points and went into the fourth quarter leading 62-54.

Stull brought the Panthers within four with a three pointer to start off

the fourth quarter. The teams continued to trade baskets for the rest of the game. SIUE ended up winning the game 87-75.

Eastern shot 55.2 percent in the second half, which helped make the game close.

Stull was the leading scorer on the team with 19 points.

She added two blocks and two steals to her stats.

Sophomore Grace Lennox led the team with assists with seven. She and

Brown each had nine points in the game.

They will return home for a matchup against the Southeast Missouri University Redhawks on Saturday.

The Redhawks have found success in OVC play with a 6-3 conference record. SEMO got back into the win column this weekend with a 71-69 victory over Austin Peay.

Erin Bollmann was the Redhawk’s leading scorer with 15 points. Imani

Johnson also scored 15 points in the contest.

SEMO was able to get nine different players involved offensively in the game. Adrianna Murphy led the team with five assists in the game.

She also had two steals in the game. Murphy was also a threat down low with 10 total rebounds.

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Women’s tennis defeats Western, ready for Redbirds

By Kaitlin Cordes
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The Eastern women’s tennis team improved to 2-1 with a 7-0 victory over Western this past Saturday.

The Panthers had a strong showing in all five matches of singles play.

Senior Ali Foster won three sets at the No. 1 spot against Western’s Courtney Lubbers. Foster won the first set but struggled in the second, falling to Lubbers 5-7. The match went into a full final set, and Foster came out on top, winning 6-3 in the third set.

Senior Hannah Kimbrough competed at the No. 2 spot, facing Maria Bessmertnaya. Kimbrough trumped Bessmertnaya in the two

sets, winning 6-4 both times.

At the No. 3 spot, Freshman Srishti Slaria was pushed to a tie-breaker to start off her dual against Arianna Demos. Slaria took the set, 8-6, but came back and won the second 6-1.

Another new face on the women’s tennis squad, freshman Abby Carpenter, appeared in her first match of the season and earned her first career win at Eastern. Carpenter won her three-set match, 6-2, 6-7 (7-9), 1-0 (12-10), against Jenna Wallace.

Junior Kamile Stadalninkaite won her singles match with two decisive set victories, 6-4 and 6-1.

Stadalninkaite described her contribution to the overall points as a win for the team, not just for herself.

“It’s not so much about myself individually but what I can do for the team,” Stadalninkaite said.

The No. 6 singles match was claimed by Eastern by default.

On the doubles side, the team of Kimbrough and sophomore Grace Summers faced the Leatherneck duo of Lubbers and Bessmertnaya. The Panther pair took the victory at the No. 1 spot with a 6-1 win.

Junior Kelly Iden and Foster competed against Western’s Demos and Nicole Jones, clinching the doubles point at the No. 2 spot in a quick 6-2 decision.

According to Western’s Athletics website, interim head coach Lisa Melz-Jennings described the squad as a “very experienced EIU team”. The Leathernecks prepared for this match with two weeks of practice.

“It’s not so much about myself individually but what I can do for the team.”

-Kamile Stadalninkaite, junior tennis player

Western faced Illinois State Jan. 31 and suffered another 7-0 loss. Western is now 0-2 overall.

Next up for Eastern will be Illinois State

Illinois State has a record of 2-0, posting wins over Southeast Missouri State (6-1) and Western Illinois University (7-0). ISU finished the 2015 fall season with two doubles and one singles conference title.

Doubles play was the Redbirds’ strong suit last semester, as they finished the fall season 27-13.

Eastern’s recent stellar doubles play will prove to be an excellent match up for Illinois State.

ISU took the three doubles points against Southeast Missouri and earned two points against Western; the third point was won by default.

The Panthers will head to Normal to square off with Illinois State at 3 p.m. next Saturday.

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Swim teams end regular season at SLU

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The Eastern men's and women's swim teams wrapped up their regular season at St. Louis combining for 13 first place finishes. The Panthers will head to the Summit League Conference meet Feb. 17.

Their 13 first place finishes, though, were not capped off with another win, as both the men's and women's teams fell short of the Billikens. The men lost by a score of 165-110 and the women by 177-93.

Although the teams lost, coach Jacqueline Michalski said she was happy with how they swam especially being so late in the season.

"I was extremely impressed with how they swam," Michalski said.

The Panthers were also able to post times that will help them with seeding when conference rolls around in two weeks.

Freshman Jason Manning earned a fourth place finish in the men's 500-yard freestyle at 5:06.66 but dropped nine seconds from his previous best time. Senior Jake Roberts won the event with a time of 4:54.78.

Manning's previous best time was 5:15.10 from the House of Champions meet on Nov. 20.

"Knowing that I can drop that much time before shaving and tapering makes me very excited because once I'm rested I know I'll be able to go much faster," Manning said.

Manning said he is relieved to have finished the regular season because he was nervous coming in. He now said he is excited for the conference meets and knows that the team will do well and post good times.

Senior Kelsey Ferguson was one of the 13 Panthers who touched the wall first Saturday afternoon. She took first place in the 200-yard breaststroke with a time of 2:29.25, just two seconds from setting a personal in-season best.

"This part of the season is always really hard because we are all tired and



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Sophomore Renae Johnson swims the 200-yard individual medley against Western and Butler at Padovan Pool on Jan. 16.

worn down," Ferguson said. "But seeing that I can swim like that, tired, makes me really excited to see what I can do at conference this year because I know all the hard work I've put in will pay off in the end."

Sophomore Matt Jacobs took first place in the 200-yard breaststroke for the men. Jacobs finished with a time of 2:15.53.

The men and women both shined in the 200-yard freestyle relay. The relay team of sophomore Stephen Truchon, junior Brogan O'Doherty, junior Shane Witzki and sophomore Steve Fishman took first with a time of 1:26.12, out touching the SLU team by just .42 seconds.

The women, however, did not win the event but came just .53 seconds

behind the SLU team. Senior Kelsey Ferguson, senior Joann Wakefield, sophomore Dani DiMatteo, and senior Kaylee Morris swam the event for the Panthers.

Both Eastern have been working hard since the beginning of the season, training 20 hours a week without tapering, but swam at a level that was higher than what was expected of them, Michalski said.

"They wound up swimming faster times than they did the weekend before," Michalski said. "They just did a really good job overall and I can't be more proud of where we've come as a team."

The Panthers have just over two weeks to taper down and get ready for conference, which is held at Indiana-

Purdue University Indianapolis and will be a great meet for the team, Michalski said.

After winning his first career event last weekend, freshman Nicholas Harkins almost grabbed win number two but was out touched by the SLU by just .07 seconds.

Michalski called it the most competitive event of the meet and that it was competitive from the start.

Junior Paige Eavenson also earned a first place finish for the women in the 200-yard butterfly, just three seconds shy of an in-season best time.

Freshman Lauren Oostman won the women's 200-yard backstroke with ease, coming in at 2:09.45, almost six seconds faster than the sec-

ond place SLU swimmer.

The Panthers now have two weeks to prepare for conference as this was their final meet of the regular season.

For the freshmen, this is their first run at conference, but for seniors like Ferguson, this will be their fourth time there.

"Having gone through conference three times already does make me feel more relaxed knowing what I'm going into these next couple of weeks training," Ferguson said. "I know what the atmosphere will be like when we get to our conference meet so I feel very prepared going into it."

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Men's basketball team wins 3rd straight game

By Maher Kawash
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The Eastern men's basketball team moved into first place in the Ohio Valley Conference West after defeating Southern Illinois Edwardsville 60-46 for the team's third straight win.

With their fifth win in the last six games, the Panthers improved to 9-13 overall on the season, and 6-4 in OVC play.

Eastern used a 16-2 run to open the second half which helped build a strong lead as the team would never look back from there.

Defense was key from the beginning as the Panthers held SIUE to just 27 percent shooting in the first half.

The Cougar's 27 percent shooting was the lowest any team has shot against the Panthers this season.

Eastern also allowed its lowest point total of the season with 46 from SIUE.

In just 27 minutes played, senior Trae Anderson led the Panthers with 19 points in the game.

After scoring less than 10 points in three straight games, Anderson has bounced back to score double digits in the team's last three games. Anderson continues to lead the



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Sophomore guard Cornell Johnston dribbles the ball up the court during the game against Tennessee-Martin Thursday in Lantz Arena. Johnston scored 14 points during the game at Southern Illinois-Edwardsville where the Panthers won 60-46.

Panthers with an average of 14 points per game.

Eastern also received another solid game from sophomore Cornell Johnston, who had his 14th game of scoring double digit points.

Johnston scored 14 points against the Cougars on his way to his sixth straight game with 10 or more points.

Johnston continues to be a leader on the team with an average of

11 points and 5.5 assists per game.

The win also moved Eastern up to half a game ahead of Murray State for first place in the West.

The Panthers were able to find a win away on the road, even though

that has been a problem for them this season.

Saturday's win was Eastern's third win away from Lantz Arena, as they hold a 3-8 record on the road.

The good news for the Panthers is that road games will not be much of a worry for the rest of the season.

Eastern will play five of its last seven regular season games at home.

The Panthers begin a four-game home stand on Monday night as they welcome St. Ambrose into Lantz Arena.

This will also be Eastern's final non-conference matchup of the season.

St. Ambrose comes into play at 7-14, and is also 5-10 in the Chicagoland Collegiate Athletic Conference.

The Panthers should feel good about their chances as the team has won its last three games in Lantz Arena.

Eastern is 6-3 at home this season, while the Fighting Bees come into play at 3-7 on the road.

Action will tip-off at 7 p.m. on Monday, as the Panthers look for their fourth straight win.

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