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President's house may be for sale

With BOT approval, remaining money may fund banquet room

By Tammie Sloup
Administration editor

The University House, which has housed Eastern's past presidents for 27 years, may be for sale next summer when Eastern's President David Jorns retires.

The final decision will be made by Eastern's Board of Trustees, said Tom Johnson, board member and chair of the campus presidential search committee.

The decision isn't final but the board will most likely vote to sell the house, he said.

"Many universities are converting to housing allowances," Johnson said. "The amount would be a negotiation."

Johnson said the amount would be priced for an "equivalent facility" if the board chooses to change the housing arrangement for the president.

"The final decision is made by the BOT but we will discuss it with the candidates first," he said.

The money received from the house will be used exclusively for on-campus projects and needs, Johnson said.

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Tailgating turnout low

Live D.J.s, bands considered to increase participation

By Joe Sanner
Student government editor

Eastern's Student Government has announced it may consider hiring live entertainment to help boost tailgating attendance for the remaining home football games.

Last year, an average of 2,000 people attended each tailgating party, said Student Body President Steve Zielinski. This year, tailgating parties have averaged about 400 people.

"I don't know if people don't realize it's happening there or what," Zielinski said. "Everybody pretty much has a great time with it."

Victoria Markley, student vice president for student affairs, has been in charge of organizing tailgating parties this year and said she is considering hiring some live bands or a professional disc jockey.

"It has been disappointing," she said. "There is a lot of student organizations going out there, but other people just aren't going out."

Markley said tailgating has been pretty successful this year, but she doesn't know why attendance has been so low.

"This past Saturday, there may have been events planned that overlapped it," she said. "I don't know if

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Internet relief?



Katherine Thomas / Staff Photographer

Jerin Ping, a freshman undecided major, works at a computer Thursday in the Taylor Hall computer lab.

Campus may see increased speed in Internet access as result of new high-speed phone line

By Amy Thon
Campus editor

Internet users on campus may finally find relief from the bogged down system with the addition of a high-speed phone line.

Since students returned to campus in August, Internet and e-mail access from the university's server have been slow and inundated with problems.

Dave Henard, associate vice president for information technology services, said the university anticipated a large increase in Internet traffic and began planning for that last year.

"We did not fail to predict the increase in traffic," he said.

To handle the increased traffic, Information Technology Services ordered a second T-1 circuit (a fast telephone line that sends 1.544 megabytes per second).

The installation of the circuit was delayed until August while the university negotiated the \$20,000 per year cost for the line.

When students returned to campus, the influx of usage could not be handled by the new installation.

"In general, Internet usage increased on a national scale," Henard said.

He also said many courses are emphasizing web usage for research in class.

"Our instructors are making more use of (the Internet) and are encouraging students to make more use of it," Henard said.

The university has also increased the number of files being downloaded from the Internet, which slows down the system.

Additionally Henard said the traffic from West Coast to East Coast Internet usage also must pass through the Midwest and increased usage on these routers will slow down Eastern's system.

"We have several hopes within the Chicago area," Henard said. "Any time there is a slowdown between routers, it affects us."

Initially, a defective router (an electronic box that connects the local network to the T-1 lines) was provided that created an intermittent problem.

The problem was identified on Sept. 9 and replaced on Sept. 11. Line errors continued on one circuit

until Sept. 16 when a loose connection was found by the telephone company. A third set of problems was identified on the new circuit. The latest problem was caused by a faulty digital modem on the Champaign end of the Internet link.

The router that was provided when the circuit was initially installed was not fast enough to handle the amount of traffic, Henard said.

Plans are being made to add a new router which will better handle the increased usage.

"We've really already solved the biggest parts of the problem," Henard said.

If the usage continues to increase at the current rate, Information Technology Services is planning an order-of-magnitude increase in long line capacity for next fall.

This change will make Internet access 10 times faster but will cost two to three times more than the service the university currently pays for.

"We want to be sure we are right in projecting that much traffic," Henard said.

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Government withholds JFK records

WASHINGTON (AP) - The government for decades "needlessly and wastefully" withheld millions of records about the assassination of President Kennedy, causing Americans to mistrust their government, a federal review panel concluded.

The Assassination Records Review Board closes shop this week after gathering and releasing a mountain of detail - tantalizing and mundane - about the Nov. 22, 1963, assassination of Kennedy in Dallas.

The documents it has collected over the past four years include new information about events in Dallas, the alleged assassin Lee Harvey Oswald, the presidential autopsy, photographs and reactions of government agencies to the assassination. It provides new fodder to be debated by historians and conspiracy theorists alike.

"The review board's experience leaves little doubt that the federal government needlessly and wastefully classified and then withheld from public access countless important records that did not require such treatment," the board said in a 208-page report.

Such secrecy "led the American public to believe that the government had something to hide," the report said.

"Change is long overdue and the review board's experience amply demonstrates the value of sharing important information with the American public," the board said.

It plans to make its first public comment on the report after presenting it to President Clinton on Wednesday at the White House. The board was created by Congress in response to public frustration that the government was withholding information about the assassination.

Disagreement over the Warren Commission's conclusion in 1964 that a lone gunman killed Kennedy and government conspiracy claims in Oliver Stone's 1991 movie "JFK" led to a consensus that it was time to open assassination records for public inspection.

However, the board was not charged with reopening the investigation, and while it added to the millions of documents at the National Archives touching on the assassination, it did not address the question: Who killed Kennedy?

"Although the review board intended to search for any 'smoking gun' document that might still exist, the board knew that its greatest contribution would likely be to provide to the public those records that would frame the tragic event," the board's final report said.

Author Gerald Posner, whose book "Case Closed" accepts the lone-gunman conclusion, said the board made a significant contribution by providing "documents that help fill in the details of this horrible event in Dallas 35 years ago."

Others believe the identity of Kennedy's killer or killers remains an open question.

"There is physical, medical, ballistics evidence that leads you to conclude that one person could not have fired all the shots," said James Lesar, a lawyer who runs the private Assassination Archive Research Center. "That's the one solid thing we know. As to who was behind it, it is still up in the air."

David Lifton, author of "Best Evidence," a 1981 book concerning medical evidence about the assassination, said the new material released by the board will forever change the debate.

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Jill Nilsen, acting vice president for external relations, said Johnson also said funds received from the house might be used to add space for an additional reception room in the University House.

One of the functions of the house, Nilsen said, is to hold receptions for visiting dignitaries and so forth.

Nilsen said there are rooms on campus available for receptions but sometimes the 1895 Room in the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union is too small and the Grand Ballroom is too big. The only other medium-sized room is the Lord Dining Reception Room in Pemberton Hall.

Eastern's fourth President Gilbert Fite was the first president to reside in the University House in 1971, Nilsen said.



Todd Musso / Staff photographer

The University House at 1112 Williamsburg Drive, Charleston may be sold next summer following the retirement of Eastern President David Jorns.

Johnson Tuesday announced that a new president could be selected as early as December if the search committee stays on the timetable proposed at the committee meeting.

Chicago mom gets four years in prison for starving baby

CHICAGO (AP) - A mother who stopped for a manicure instead of taking her starving baby to a hospital was sentenced Monday to four years in prison for his death.

A doctor had told Dianna Meeks, 25, that she needed to take 2-month-old Dontory Jordan immediately to the hospital because he was dangerously underweight. He died while wrapped in a blanket in the nail salon.

Ms. Meeks was convicted of involuntary manslaughter after a non-jury trial. Dontory weighed 5 pounds, 11 ounces at birth but was down to just 3 pounds, 7 ounces when the doctor saw him at a clinic in 1997.

Tailgating

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it was that or if it was the weather."

Markley said some fraternities and other student organizations have brought their own sound systems to previous tailgating parties and tailgaters have shown a positive response. She said this is something she would like to take one step further for some of the remaining games.

"We're looking into getting some funding for some kind of band or professional DJ for the two remaining games after Parents Weekend and Homecoming," she said.

Markley said it is not yet known where the

funding would come from, but at least one of the two games after Homecoming would have live entertainment.

Tailgating takes place before each home game at 4:30 p.m. behind O'Brien stadium and ends 15 minutes before kickoff.

Markley said people who park in the tailgating area are not allowed to leave until after the fourth quarter for safety reasons.

If you are 21 or older you can drink alcohol, but no bottles or cans are allowed at the tailgating events.

"Everyone has surprisingly been abiding by the rules," she said. "We haven't had anyone try to leave before they are supposed to or anything."

Markley said she will be sending letters to

various organizations to remind them of the event and inform them of the possible change.

"It's a great time and a great way to relieve stress," she said. "Because I know stress is at a high level this year."

Zielinski said Student Government, overall, has been disappointed by this year's low turnout and will be looking for ways to improve tailgating attendance.

"Eight senators are coming to each game and regulating it themselves just so students can have this," he said. "It's frustrating to us that students haven't supported it as much."

"I encourage all students to go out there and have a great time and support our football team who's been having a great season so far," Zielinski said.

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Please Recycle it!

Mexican women's suffragist remembered

By Laura Irvine
Activities editor

A woman's suffragist who fought for women's rights in Mexico was deemed the most advanced woman politician of her time Monday by a historian from Mexico.

Piedad Peniche, head of the state archives in Yucatan, Mexico presented a speech titled "Women's History: A Mexican Perspective" Monday night in the Arcola/Tuscola Room of the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union.

Peniche read a paper she wrote, titled "Elvia Corrillo Puerto and the Fight For the Women's Vote in Yucatan, Mexico from 1916 to 1926."

"I would like to express my happiness in being here for the Latino Heritage Celebration," Peniche said.

Peniche began her speech by explaining the history of how women were treated in Mexico. She said women were dependent on men, and were only allowed to buy and sell goods with their fathers, brothers and husbands. Women were also not allowed

to represent themselves in court and did not have the right to vote.

Elvia Corrillo Puerto, a women's suffragist from Mexico, was famous for fighting for women's rights. She fought for women's rights to participate in congress, and said that if women were able to read and write they should be able to hold a position in congress.

Corrillo Puerto and Rosa Torres, another women's suffragist, fought the socialist government for many years in order to establish equality among women.

"Socialist politicians used to promise women certain rights, but did not follow through with them," said Peniche.

Corrillo Puerto traveled from her home in Yucatan to Mexico City to fight for women's rights, where she started petitions to fight for women's rights. Although she was repressed, Corrillo Puerto continued to fight.

"Elvia Corrillo Puerto gained culture and education for the women of Mexico," Peniche said.

Corrillo Puerto died poor at age 87, but got to see women in Mexico get the right to vote in 1953.



Todd Musso / Staff photographer

Piedad Peniche, head of the state archives in Yucatan, Mexico, spoke Monday night on "Women's History from a Mexican Perspective." The speech was held in conjunction with the Latino Heritage Celebration. Peniche spoke about women's rights in Mexico and about Elvia Corrillo Puerto, who fought for women's rights.

New associate vice president may be selected this week

By Tammie Sloup
Administration editor

The selection for the new associate vice president for academic affairs could be named by the end of next week.

"The search committee will meet Wednesday and assess the candidates' strengths and weaknesses," said Teshome Abebe, vice president for academic affairs.

Abebe will meet with the search committee after the meeting and get the committee's assessments on the three candidates.

The candidates are Rochelle Kanter Kelz, currently the dean of liberal arts and sciences at Mott Community College; Lloyd Hammonds, currently the vice president for academic affairs at Ranken Technical College; and Jeffrey Cross, currently the vice president at Ferris State University.

Abebe said the 30-minute time slot set aside for students to interview the candidates was successful.

"The (interviews) worked out better than I planned," he said.

The executive committee of the Student Government attended the interviews and Abebe said the candidates thought they asked a wide variety of questions and did-

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Teshome Abebe,
vice president for academic affairs

n't focus on just one in particular.

"They were interested in things such as management styles and the interaction with students," he said.

Abebe said he was impressed when some students asked how the candidates will work with him.

"I found that very insightful on part of the students," he said.

Abebe said he will call and do his own "checks" on the candidates before he names the position.

The estimated salary for the new position is between \$72,000 and \$82,000, Abebe said. The salary is open for negotiation.

"My goal is to start the person by Oct. 15 and at the latest Oct. 30," he said.

The responsibilities of the associate vice president will include serving as a liaison in areas of institutional research,

distance and other educational learning technologies, as well as being responsible for issues related to space allocation, remodeling and rehabilitation of academic facilities.

Abebe previously said he is looking for five qualities in the next associate vice president:

- Experience in management of complex budgeting systems.
- Not only the ability to manage faculty contracts, but have experience in contract negotiation.
- Considerable experience and a clear view on the issues related to education technology in its various forms and applications.
- Administration experience in a staff position with academic affairs.
- Unlimited capacity for service.

"My primary focus is that the person

fits in very well," Abebe said. "The person must understand faculty and small towns."

Abebe said he was impressed with all the candidates but he hasn't seen the evaluations that were distributed during the interviews.

The position was vacated in June of 1995 when former associate vice president, Terry Weidner, became acting vice president for academic affairs. Weidner retired in July.

Abebe previously said he doesn't know why the position wasn't filled after Weidner retired but said he feels the Office of Academic Affairs could "not operate without (the position)."

Members of the search committee include: Ted Ivarie, chair of the search committee and dean of the College of Business and Applied Sciences; Kim Furumo, budget director; Gary Foster, professor of sociology and anthropology; Mary Herrington-Perry, coordinator of curriculum development and publications; Ellen Keiter, chair of the chemistry department; Charles Phillips, director of human resources; David Radavich, professor of English; Gail Richard, professor of communication disorders; and Ted Weidner, director of facilities planning and management.

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An example to follow

Teshome Abebe, the university's new vice president for academic affairs, is doing an honorable job of listening to students' concerns in his first fall semester at Eastern.

The university's search committee for a new associate vice president for academic affairs has been carrying on its duties without a representative from the student body, an apparent violation of Eastern's Internal Governing Policy, according to some students and faculty members who recently called it to attention.

Abebe, entering a climate in which following the Internal Governing Policy has been a problem, quickly responded to the concerns of student representation.

Student representation

Setting aside a time for student questions during the interviews for the candidates for associate vice president for academic affairs was an appropriate solution in a bad situation.

Eastern administrator Ted Ivarie, chair of the search committee, said earlier that the group likely would not have student representation because it had already finished its

review of applications for the associate vice president position and had invited candidates to the campus for interviews.

Rather than appointing a student to the search committee at this point – after it had already completed the important task of narrowing down the candidates for the position – Abebe came up with the best option in his given situation: to open up the interviewees for questioning by the entire student body.

With distaste still in the air about a lack of student representation last year on the university's search committee for an assistant vice president for business affairs, Abebe was dealing with more pressure than he might have realized at first. And although new to the university, Abebe has set an example for his fellow administrators to follow.

His action last week to include students should not necessarily set a precedent for the university to follow in the future, for the search committee should have had student representation in the first place. But his quickness to find an available solution is to be commended because the administration otherwise might have written off student representation this time around and hoped for a better day.

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

“ Today's quote ”

Everyone is bound to bear patiently the results of his own example.

Phaedrus,
Roman fabulist, first century A.D.

A friend of mine said something the other day that greatly disturbed me. We were discussing Dale Righter and Carolyn Brown Hodge, political candidates for state representative, and my friend negatively criticized Righter based on his personality. With eyebrows raised, I asked if he had ever met him. He responded with by saying he hadn't but continued his verbal assault – which mainly took the form of childish name-calling.

It's a scene that occurs far too often with college students. I don't mind if people criticize candidates for political office – or any other administration position, for that matter. It is a right endowed to us by our forefathers and should be taken advantage of to keep new viewpoints and fresh faces in public offices.

But it bothers me when people criticize a candidate they have never conversed with, or if such an opportunity is unavailable, are unaware of the person's true stance on political issues.

As former city editor for *The News*, I met several political candidates and saw their reactions as I asked them questions. It was an eye-opening experience that provided me with a first-glance at politicians who would meet my eye when answering me, and those who would avoid my gaze.

Although this is a singular experience most students won't have, there are ways to go about self-education that do not include reading letters to the editor that may or may not be accurate. Students especially are easily swayed by opinions of their peers, even if the opinions they value remain rooted in falsehoods.

My suggestion is to be informed before you make your decision and lambaste political candidates. If you're well-informed, you won't look stupid when someone out-argues you.



Jaime Hodge
Verge editor

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One way around being misinformed about the candidate's stances and misguided in your political choice for office is to write to the candidate's campaign headquarters. Ask for a letter or even a pamphlet on his/her views. They usually provide adequate information on what they believe in, along with a patriotic, not-so-subtle photo of the candidate in front of an American flag. (It makes a nice touch for the

overly zealous who want to post it on their walls.) Any political candidate will be more than eager in obtaining a student's vote, so you'll have no problem getting the information.

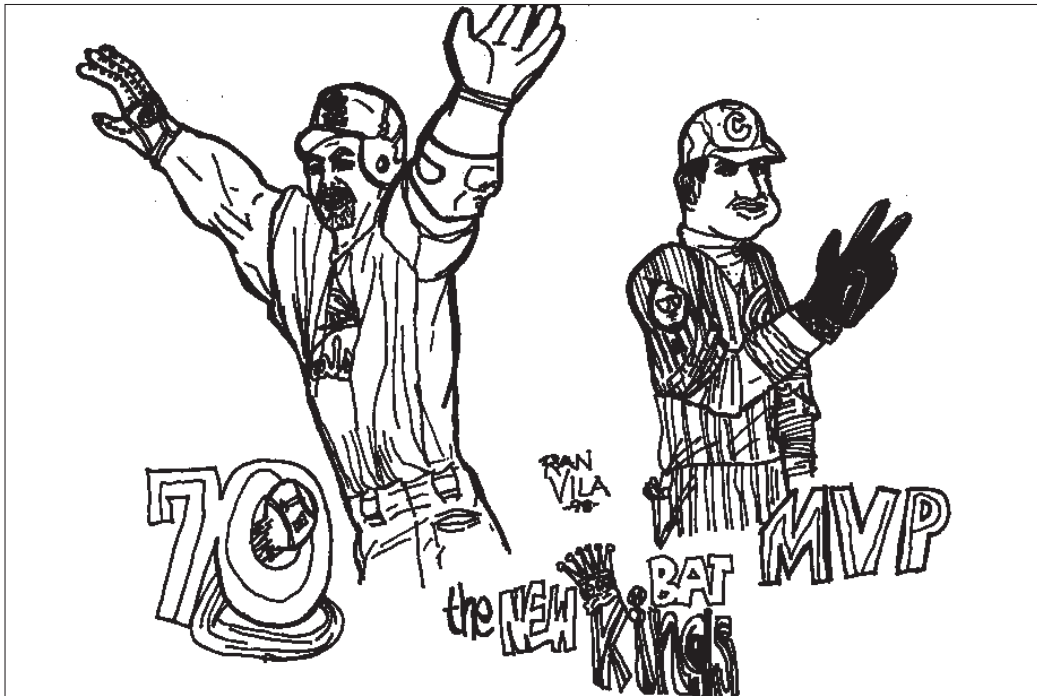
For the less ambitious, newspapers are a good source of information if you read articles that do not hold a political slant. A news article can assist you with identification of the candidates and their political opinions as long as you are not basing your opinion through that of an editorialist or columnist. These are fun to read, but journalists are human and don't always base their ideals in fact, either.

For the beer-sucking, pizza-stuffing loungers out there who barely manage to drag themselves to class, don't rely too heavily on the TV ads. They are too heavily slanted to hold any real value, and use viewpoints that focus on and rip apart a political opponent's bad points. Besides, those bad points are often inconsequential and blown way out of proportion.

For those of you who remain stubbornly clinging to falsely rooted, misinformed views, I wish you the best of luck in protecting your dignity against a well-educated student. You will undoubtedly feel like the world's biggest ass and run off after you stomp your foot in frustration.

Thank you to all the people with ambition to be intelligent and informed.

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Those who would like to criticize, check facts

In recent weeks, there have been several letters to the editors of this and other papers concerning my record as your state representative here in the 106th district. Unfortunately, as November draws near, many of these letters bear little resemblance to the actual facts of the issue they claim to address. They have simply become campaign tactics to distort my beliefs and spread falsehoods.

Recently a letter appeared concerning my position on obscenity standards as they are defined here in Illinois. I particularly want to address the letter from Earl Turner, former Democratic chairman of Clark County. Turner's letter was wholly false and misleading.

It's time to set the record straight. As the father of two young children, I am concerned, as are all parents, about what they see and hear in our society today. Central to that concern is the ability we should have locally to set a

Your turn

Letters to the editor

standard for obscenity. Not some general standard applied statewide or defined for Chicago or East St. Louis but what we say here.

I know my two young children, as with the rest of our children here in the district, would be better protected from the negative effect of obscene and pornographic materials if the people in East Central Illinois helped set their standards. I am, and always have been, in favor of setting our standards by county level rather than statewide. Despite baseless allegations to the contrary, my belief on this issue has never changed or wavered. As a former prosecutor I fought long and hard to protect our children, our community. I know the importance of having the right tools to help wage the war against criminals and pornographers.

The most recent legislation to

achieve local standards was introduced in the spring of 1997 and was voted on four months prior to my taking office. This important legislation failed to pass the House of Representatives by only two votes. Over two-thirds of the Republicans voted "yes" in support, while less than one-third of the Democrats did. And while the leaders of the Republican Party in the House voted "yes," House Speaker Mike Madigan said "no" to allowing us here in East Central Illinois to have a say in what is acceptable for your children and mine to see and hear.

As I stated earlier, this letter is intended to set the record straight. It is my sincere hope that those who want to criticize me, whether through negative ads on television or radio, or letters to the editor, will check their facts before doing so. It is an honor to serve as your state representative, and I ask for your help to continue my service.

Dale Righter
State representative

Low tuition gives students another chance

I don't think I've ever seen so much admiration in my mother's eyes as the time I returned from a visit to Eastern my senior year in high school.

As I blew through our front door, I started spewing out tidbits about Eastern to my mom and stepfather while throwing brochures and booklets on the counter. I honestly doubt my mom had seen me so enthusiastic about school since kindergarten.

I had planned to go to community college and be on my way after two years, but after visiting Eastern's campus with one of my friends, I knew that was not the route I wanted to take.

I also saw hurt in my mother's eyes when I rambled on and on about how much I wanted to go away to school.

She was thinking: "How can we afford a four-year university?"

I was waiting for this to happen, and I was prepared. One of the things I remember is our tour guide



Tammie Sloup
Administration editor

"Hencken recently said Eastern is taking 'giant leaps' forward. But is administration looking before it jumps? They can see their destination from where they're standing, but don't see who they're stepping on to get there."

pushing on us how Eastern was the cheapest school of its size in Illinois. This is how I sold my mom on the idea of letting her daughter move three hours away and enroll in a four-year institution just five months before I was to start community college.

Lou Hencken, vice president for student affairs, said he thinks Eastern wants to be known as one of the best universities rather than one of the cheapest.

Well, pretty soon we're going to be paying the same tuition as the

University of Illinois and other similar universities because our tuition keeps rising. And are we really going to be looked upon like U of I? Doubt it.

Money is still money, and I know my parents and I do not have \$1,094 to toss away on tuition at a school that doesn't even appeal to me. If I wanted to go to Illinois State University, for example, my family would come up with the money somehow. I didn't set out looking for a college that was cheap just to go to college.

Hencken said the proposal is needed to create more classes, renovations of classrooms and equipment for classrooms.

Do these campus needs sound familiar? They should because the Campus Master Planning Committee has already started tackling these projects. One of the committee's top priorities is to examine the Life Science, Physical Science and Fine Arts buildings to determine whether they should expand or construct new buildings.

Tom Johnson, a member of Eastern's Board of Trustees and chair of the Campus Master Planning Committee, said one attempt to raise funds would be through major donors. He did not say tuition increases.

The formal administrative proposal calls for tuition to be paid by the hour and a 3 percent tuition increase. If approved, students would pay \$94 per credit hour for every credit hour they take. For 15 credit hours, a student would pay \$1,410. Currently, a student pays \$91.25 per credit hour at the same rate for 12 to 18 hours. With the current system a student would pay \$1,094 for 15 credit hours.

This is an increase of \$316 for students taking 15 hours.

The new system would be phased in on a yearly basis. Next year, students with less than 30 credit hours would be charged \$94 for each credit hour they take.

Beginning in the fall of 2000, freshmen and sophomores would pay by the new credit hour system.

In the fall of 2001, freshmen, sophomores and juniors would pay \$94 per credit hour.

How many students have taken a couple extra courses to leave room for a drop or two? I'm guilty of it and I prefer to register this way.

I'm paying for these classes and that earns me the right to pick and choose which courses I think I can suffer through for a semester.

Hencken recently said Eastern is taking "giant leaps" forward. But is administration looking before it jumps? They can see their destina-

tion from where they're standing, but don't see who they're stepping on to get there.

Some students have opposed the increase saying they are seriously considering leaving the university to attend junior college to save money. Is this something the administration has considered? Most likely not.

Another project the committee is considering is constructing a new Student Services building, and one of the reasons is because the building mainly consists of stairways. Well, obviously the next question is: What's going to happen to the old building? Why not use the facility for new classrooms?

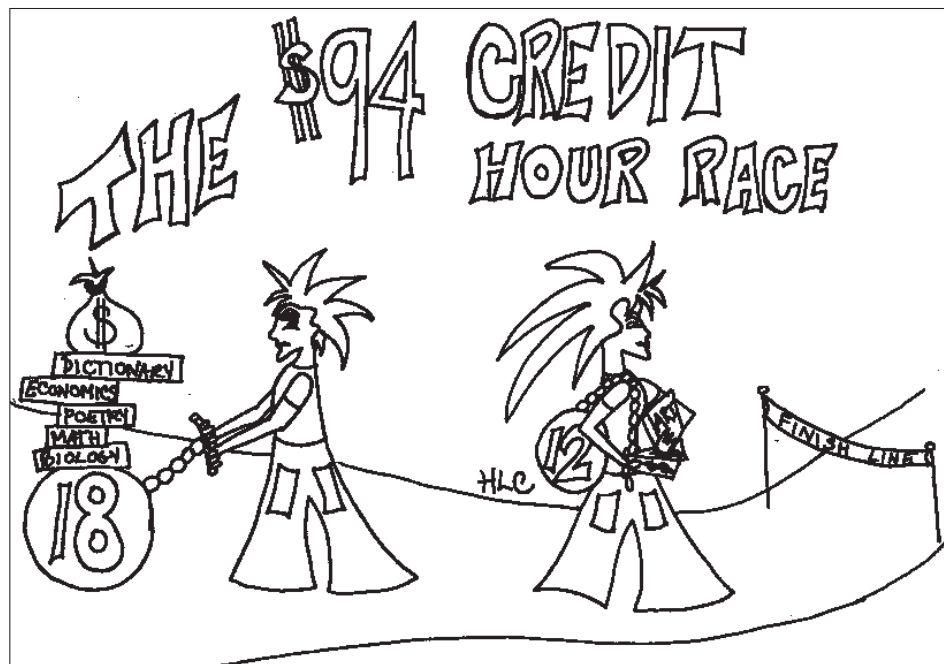
There also is a chance a new reception area will be built with funds from the University House, if it is sold. Why does the campus need one more reception area?

Yes, one of the functions of the University House is a reception area for visiting dignitaries and such types of people, but what is the difference between the 1895 Room and the president's reception room? If the 1895 Room isn't large enough to hold certain receptions and functions, there are the Grand Ballroom and the Union Ballroom. As a matter of fact, there also is a dining area in Pemberton Hall and there is the Livingston C. Lord Dining Room in Pemberton Hall.

It's a good thing we don't have this terrible dilemma with our classrooms! It would just be so difficult to choose from five or six rooms. And what if we ran into the problem of the rooms being too large? What a crisis!

The university is more concerned about constructing a room where our guests can wine, dine and schmooze with administrators for one night rather than building another classroom students will use every day.

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Eastern known for quality, not quantity

The new tuition increase and charging tuition by the hour is a GOOD idea. For everyone who questions this opinion, I urge you to read on, for the facts presented may sway your opinion.

The proposal is to increase tuition by 3 percent for all students next year and to charge students of freshman status (29 hours or below) by the credit hour.

Sophomore-status students will be charged by the hour in the 2000 to 2001 school year. Junior-status students will pay by the hour in the 2001 to 2002 school year, and senior-status students will pay by the hour in the 2002 to 2003 school year.

What this basically says is that the majority of students at Eastern right now will NOT have to pay by the credit hour. Unless you are a freshman taking only 12 hours a semester, or unless you will be here more than four years, you are protected. This means that you will pay the straight tuition and get to see the benefits of the increased



Erinn McFadden
Student senate member

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revenue, an estimated \$800,000 per year.

Now you may wonder how anyone will see where this money goes, but the resolution in consideration also states that the extra money generated by this increase will be spent on general education classes, classroom repair, instructional equipment and faculty salaries. I am confident every student here will agree that these are all areas where extra money is needed.

Students (myself included) often discuss how it is a mystery where our money really goes. Well, like the shuttle bus fee that you

approved last week (yes - you voted on that!); these extra tuition dollars will be spent on increasing the quality of our school, therefore increasing the quality of YOUR education.

The money spent on general education courses will go toward adding more classes. I am sure that many of us remember what it is like to be blocked out of a required core class and had to ask the teacher for permission to get in or wait a semester to try again.

Adding more classes will lessen this problem and hopefully aid students in graduating faster.

The money spent on instruction-

al equipment will help update the science equipment, which is sorely outdated.

It will also help other colleges keep up with constant technology growth.

The revenue used to repair classrooms will help the entire campus. Look at the ceilings in the Physical Science Building and the classrooms of Coleman Hall. Just looking around should help you to understand the kind of work that needs to be done to rehabilitate and update our learning areas.

Another area that the money will be spent is on our faculty.

Currently, Eastern has the second lowest paid faculty in the state. I would hope that every one of us knows at least one faculty member who has gone the extra mile to help us out and who deserves the pay increase for his or her extra work.

I realize that many students will be here more than four years because of a double major, etc. But it is important to remember that you pay for what you get.

Therefore, it makes sense for

someone taking 15 semester hours to pay more than someone taking 12. Those students are using more services of the university, which warrants a larger bill.

The bottom line is that tuition must go up between 2.5 percent and 7.5 percent every year to keep up with inflation (it is stated in the Tuition and Fee Review Committee's bylaws).

This proposal is increasing tuition by the near minimum percentage and protecting the majority of students presently enrolled here.

Yes, it will cost a bit more to attend, but if a student's no. 1 goal is to attend the CHEAPEST school around, there are plenty to choose from. If, however, the goal is to get a QUALITY education at a reasonable cost, Eastern is the school for you.

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Victoria Vassallo, a senior graphic design major, is a striker for the "Smoke Stacks" intramural girls soccer team. Monday afternoon Vassallo helps her team to a victory of 2-1 against the Alpha Phi's.

Blood drive falls 46 pints short of goal

By Laura Irvine
Activities editor

The American Red Cross fell 46 units short of its goal Monday collecting only 104 of its 150 unit daily goal.

The campus blood drive, sponsored by Papa John's Pizza, is being held all week from 12 to 6 p.m. Tuesday and Wednesday and from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Thursday and Friday in the University Ballroom in the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union.

"There is always a need for blood and platelets because there is no substitute for it," said Bryan Miller, faculty coordinator for the drive.

The American Red Cross, who is holding the event, hopes to collect 900 pints of blood over the week. Since the American Red Cross is a national organization, it can transfer blood across state lines and around the country.

"The blood you give may support someone from your hometown," Miller said.

Students who want to donate blood should go to the Ballroom to register. Donors will get a name tag and information about donating. Donors also are asked about their medical history. Donors then find a donor bed, give blood, and spend a few minutes having something to drink or a slice of free pizza from Papa John's.

In order to donate blood, donors must weigh at least 110 lbs., not be on antibiotics, not have gotten a tattoo within the last 12 months and not have any illnesses, such as the flu or mononucleosis. Students

who have had a professional body piercing can donate, but students who have a body piercing not professionally done are asked not to donate. Students are advised to wait about two months after they donate blood before they donate again.

"Make sure to eat a good meal and drink plenty of liquids before coming in to donate," said Debra Silcott, a donor recruitment representative.

Students who want to donate platelets need to contact Miller at 581-6383 or Silcott at 345-2907 to make an appointment. Miller said platelet donation is a little more complicated because the process takes about two hours. Platelet donors are also given information about donation and asked about their medical history. Their blood cell amount also is tested, because if it is too low, platelets will not be taken.

Platelet donors do not experience weakness or nausea because no blood is actually taken from platelet donors. NCAA athletes also can donate platelets during their playing seasons.

Platelet collection is important because it takes 10 blood donors to equal just one bag of platelets.

Additional blood drives will also be held this semester. There will be T-shirt raffles for the rest of the week, and people who donated Monday can go back to the blood drive and enter the raffle.

Miller said that only 5 percent of the population donates blood and platelets, and students are encouraged to help.

"There is no substitute in the world for blood and platelets," said Miller.

Mock interviews to help students prepare

Offers students critique of their interview style

Shinnelle Dismukes
Staff writer

Career Services will conduct mock interviews Wednesday and

Thursday to help students learn to relax during the interview process.

The mock interviews, which will be held in Room 11 of the Student Services Building, can help students learn how to be interviewed successfully by being able to watch themselves on tape and see how they act while being interviewed.

"By participating in the interview workshop, this will help our students better prepare for success-

ful interviews," said Shirley Stewart, director of student and career services.

Mock interviews can help students become more confident and successful in the work place, she said.

Stewart said although there is no dress code for the mock interviews, she suggested students wear professional attire while being interviewed.

Mock interviews can help stu-

dents learn how to be interviewed successfully by receiving constructive criticism after the tapings and being in a comfortable, safe environment during the interviews.

Stewart also said that the taping process will give students an opportunity to see themselves on tape and to become comfortable with being interviewed.

"Over 100 students are scheduled for interviews this fall," Stewart said.

Students interested in doing mock interviews should call Career Services at 581-2412, which is open Monday and Friday from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Tuesday through Thursday from 8 a.m. to 6:45 p.m. and Sundays from 2 to 6:45 p.m. to make appointments.

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Secondhand smoke may raise fetus' risk of childhood cancer, study found

By the Associated Press

Pregnant women who are exposed to other people's cigarette smoke might be raising their fetuses' risk of developing cancer in childhood.

A study found that babies born to exposed mothers showed higher rates of a kind of genetic mutation in blood cells. This kind of mutation is caused by a particular enzyme, and it is often found in childhood leukemia and lymphoma.

Experts said it is the first time scientists have linked secondhand smoke to genetic mutations in a fetus. Prior research found elevated mutation rates in fetuses from women who themselves smoked

during pregnancy.

The study doesn't show a direct link to cancer. In fact, the specific gene mutations it monitored are harmless because they occurred in a gene unrelated to cancer.

The findings only suggest that if a pregnant woman is exposed to cigarette smoke, the mutation-making enzyme might become more active in her fetus, raising the risk of hazardous mutations in cancer-related genes.

The study couldn't define how big a risk secondhand smoke might pose, but it's rare for children to get leukemia or lymphoma at all. Only about 3,000 new cases, mostly leukemia, are expected in the United States this year in children up to age 14.

The work was presented in the October issue of the journal *Nature Medicine* by Dr. Barry Finette, Dr. Richard Albertini and colleagues at the University of Vermont in Burlington.

It's an important finding that requires follow-up study, said Frederica Perera, director of Columbia University's Center for Children's Environmental Health. A fetus is "exquisitely sensitive" to exposure to many toxins, including those in tobacco smoke, because the defense systems present in adults are still developing, she said.

The study involved 24 newborns from nonsmoking mothers. Half were born to women who said they had been exposed to other

people's smoke at home, at work or in both places. The other half were born to women who reported no such exposure.

The researchers inspected white cells in blood from the placenta. They looked for mutations in a gene called HPRT. This gene has nothing to do with cancer, but researchers used it as an indicator of how often particular kinds of mutations had occurred generally in the newborn.

The key finding pertained to a kind of genetic splicing carried out by an enzyme called V(D)J recombinase. Normally, the enzyme helps the immune system prepare to fight a variety of germs. But when the enzyme makes a mistake, it can set the stage for cancer.

Successful arm transplant performed in France

LYON, France (AP) A 48-year-old man who got a new right hand and forearm is eating and drinking normally four days after the 13-hour surgery, the hospital reported Monday.

The grafted right hand, the hospital said, was "well colored" — an apparent sign of satisfactory blood circulation.

The five-line hospital statement identified the patient for the first time by name: Clint Hallam. Hospital personnel said Hallam is from New Zealand but lives in Perth, Australia.

"Clint Hallam ... had a very good weekend," the statement said. It added that the dressing was changed and "he will be able to get up today."

Neither the press service for the Lyon public hospital system nor doctors at Edouard Herriot Hospital could confirm whether Hallam did, indeed, leave his bed Monday.

The hospital described his condition simply as "satisfactory."

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Dr. Jean-Michel Dubernard, co-leader of the transplant team

Dr. Jean-Michel Dubernard, co-leader of the transplant team, was not immediately available for comment.

"It gives hope to all those who are victims of domestic or work accidents, anti-personnel mines, or have congenital deformations," Dubernard told French television after Thursday's surgery.

The surgery was carried out in hopes of giving Hallam a right hand — his own was

amputated in 1989 after an accident. An anonymous donor provided the replacement body parts.

In the operation, arteries, veins, nerves, tendons, muscles and skin were attached after the two bones of the forearm were set.

Doctors in Ecuador tried the procedure in the 1960s, but the patient's body rejected the hand after two weeks. The University of Louisville Medical Center in Kentucky plans a donor hand transplant this year.

The surgery involves serious risks. Patients must take anti-rejection medication that suppresses the immune system to keep the body from destroying the foreign tissue. But the suppression of the immune system leaves the patient more vulnerable to other diseases.

Even if the patient doesn't reject the donor hand, he could face other problems, including the failure of nerves to regenerate sufficiently to allow sensation, such as hot and cold.

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9/29 Lambda Chi's and Tri-Sigmas: Fire up for homecoming 98! Go Pippi! Pomp! Pomp!

9/29 Congrats to the men of SIGMA PI on winning world series. Love, Ladies of AST.

9/29 PINK PANTHERS- This weekend was so much fun. Got to love those Bears fans. Can't wait for Bonfire! Love, Kasper.

Personals

Dan Gunther and Chris Keck of Sigma Chi: Thanks for everything. You guys were the BEST coaches ever! Love, your AST girls!

9/29 Jen Polkow of AST, you did a great job with your Panhel Exec. position. Your sisters are so proud.

9/29 To everyone who was involved with the AST World Series; umpires, participants, coaches, sisters. Thank you for your hard work!

9/29 MELISSA MIKUS of Alpha Sigma Tau: Happy B-Day! We love ya! Your roomies.

9/29 Monica Mickelson of ASA- Congrats on being named pearl of the week! Keep up the hard work! Love, The Rubies

9/29 Congrats Alphas on placing 3rd during Sigma Chi Derby Days! Thanks Buster & Matt for being great coaches! Your both were a lot of fun!

9/29 Karen McKee and Sarah Blair of Alpha Sigma Alpha-Great job with Derby Days. You girls are AWESOME! Alpha Love, Your Sisters.

9/29 Great job Alphas-During Sigma Chi Derby Days.

9/29 1st Place-Banner 3rd Place-Dec-A-Sig 4th Place-Volleyball 3rd Place Overall Keep up the Spirit!

9/29 Krista McVicar get excited for Thursday night. I can't wait to meet you. Tau Love, Your Mom.

9/29 Congratulations Christy Kracht of Alpha Gamma Delta on your new position on Executive Panhellenic Council. We are so proud of you. Love, your sisters.

9/29 Tri-Sigma New Members: Keep up the great work! You're doing wonderful! Love, your sisters.

9/29 Come to the Tau Kappa Epsilon House for Informal Rush Friday, Oct. 4 at 4p.m. Come party Jimmy Buffet style drinks and food provided.

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PHI SIGMA PI. Meeting at 7 p.m. today in the Charleston/Mattoon Room in the Union. Pledges meeting is at 5 p.m. in the Greenup Room in the Union.

BAPTIST COLLEGIATE MINISTRIES. Bible study today at 6 p.m. in the Shelbyville Room in the Union. All are welcome to attend. Call Doug at 348-6779 for more details.

PHYSICS CLUB. Meeting today at 5 p.m. at Jerry's Pizza. Anyone with an interest in Physics is cordially invited to attend. NEWMAN CATHOLIC CENTER. Mass today at 12:05 p.m. at the Newman Chapel located on the corner of 9th and Lincoln Ave.

WOMEN'S EMPOWERMENT. Meeting today at 9:45 p.m. in the Alpha Sigma Alpha house.

HOMECOMING COMMITTEE. Meeting today at 9 p.m. in the Arcola/Tuscola Room in the Union. All committee members must attend. Pictures for the booklet are due from the organizations.

CIRCLE K. Meeting today at 7 p.m. in the Martinsville Room in the Union. Everyone is welcome to attend.

PRE-LAW SOCIETY. Meeting today at 2 p.m. in Room 109 in Coleman Hall.

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Bjorkman wanted U.S. in Davis final

STOCKHOLM, Sweden (AP) – Nothing wrong with a trip to Italy. But Jonas Bjorkman, the workhorse for defending champion Sweden, would have preferred the United States in the Davis Cup final.

"The Americans would have been a tougher opponent, especially if they had their best players," Bjorkman said after leading the Swedes to a 4-1 win Sunday over Spain in the semifinals. "But it would have been more fun to play the Americans. They would have been hungry for revenge."

Bjorkman helped Sweden to a 5-0 shutout against a U.S. team led by Pete Sampras in last year's final at Goteborg, Sweden.

With top-ranked Sampras, Andre Agassi and Michael Chang skipping the other semifinal, the United States was eliminated by Italy in Milwaukee.

If Italy, which will stage the

final Dec. 4-6, picks clay as the surface, Bjorkman may only play doubles.

"I think they'll chose clay, and that means it will be difficult for me to get a singles spot," he said.

Clay is Bjorkman's weakest surface. Even though indoor clay generally is faster than outdoor clay, Swedish captain Carl-Axel Hageskog probably will rely on his three Magnuses – Magnus Gustafsson, Magnus Norman and Magnus Larsson – for the singles matches if the Italians pick the slow surface.

"This win shows a lot about the Swedes and our team," Hageskog said. "This year we have used seven singles players, and that's fantastic."

"It doesn't matter who we meet. The players are used to changing surfaces and we'll deal with that when it comes."

Hageskog has a team for every surface.

The Swedes faced Slovakia on indoor clay in the first round. Gustafsson clinched the victory after the defending champions fell behind 0-2 on opening day. The quarterfinals in Germany was played on hardcourt and the semis against Spain on a faster Taraflex court.

Bjorkman, who played both singles and doubles in the last two ties, also won the 1994 final against Russia in Moscow.

"Even though I've won the final twice, it's always nice to get a third one," he said. "I may be a little bit more relaxed than the first time in Russia. But when you go to the court to play, you're still getting a little bit nervous and feel the atmosphere of a final. So it's definitely something you want to win again."

Women's golf ties for 11th in Murray State tourney

By Sandra Simousek
Staff writer

The women's golf team just finished up at the Murray State Tournament where it tied for 11th place with Austin Peay State with an overall score of 363. Arkansas State University took first place with a score of 310.

Coming in behind Eastern and Austin Peay were Belmont University, which scored a 377, and Lincoln Memorial University, which scored a 394.

The four scores that went into

Eastern's total score of 363 were shot by Ann Ankerbrand, Kara Dohman, Heather Adams and Steph Donaldson.

Out of the 76 women who made up the 14 teams, Ankerbrand finished 46th overall with her score of 86, Dohman came in at 53rd with her score of 89, Adams finished out the tournament in 59th place with her score of 92 and in 68th was Donaldson with a score of 96.

Next the women's golf team has a tournament at Bradley University on Oct. 19 and 20.

Grand Slam Cup missing Grand Slam winners

MUNICH, Germany (AP) – The Grand Slam Cup doesn't live up to its name this year – at least among the men.

Of the four Grand Slam men's champions this year, three are not participating, including the two top players in the world, Pete Sampras and Patrick Rafter.

But the women, competing in the \$6.7 million event for the first time, are here in full force, with only Monica Seles absent. Seles has refused to play in Germany

since being stabbed at a tournament in Hamburg in 1993.

Martina Hingis, No. 1 in the world and the Australian Open champion, will be joined by No. 2 Lindsay Davenport. Davenport beat Hingis for the U.S. Open title this month.

The tournament, which gives out more prize money per player than any event, starts Tuesday in Olympic Hall, with 12 men and eight women in the field.

Hingis opens the tourney

against Conchita Martinez, followed by two men's matches, Tim Henman vs. Jonas Bjorkman and Nicolas Escude vs. Felix Mantilla.

The tournament began in 1990, with the idea of bringing together players with the best records in the four Grand Slam events of the year – the Australian, French and U.S. Open and Wimbledon.

But this year, only one Grand Slam male champion is here: Petr Korda, winner of the Australian Open. Seeded No. 2 is Marcelo Rios.

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To avoid a repeat of the Loyola match in which the Panthers fell behind early and almost lost the match, Eastern needs to be ready play right from the start.

"We talked about going out and playing good in the first game. They are a scrappy young team that has given us tough matches in the past. We have to be ready and take control early," Panther head coach Betty Ralston said.

The main focus for the Panthers will not be so much on UIC, but rather more on what they have to do. "We have to play

smart, not get down early and play together as a team," Cutler said.

On the court, the Panthers need to keep on doing what they have been and improve on a few things.

"We have to serve tough and keep passing well. Our passing has saved us in a lot of games this year," Ralston said.

"We just need to get a little better with our setting and blocking. We need to get a few more blocks."

This match will mark the end of a long three game stretch on the road for the Panthers, who will finally get an opportunity for some rest as they return home for two matches this weekend.

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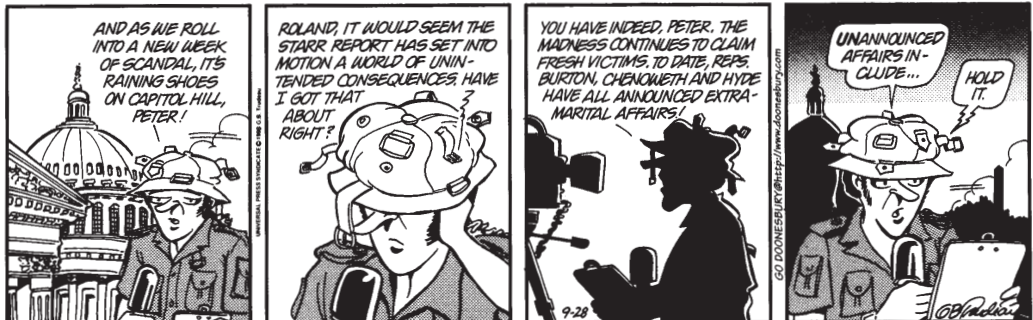
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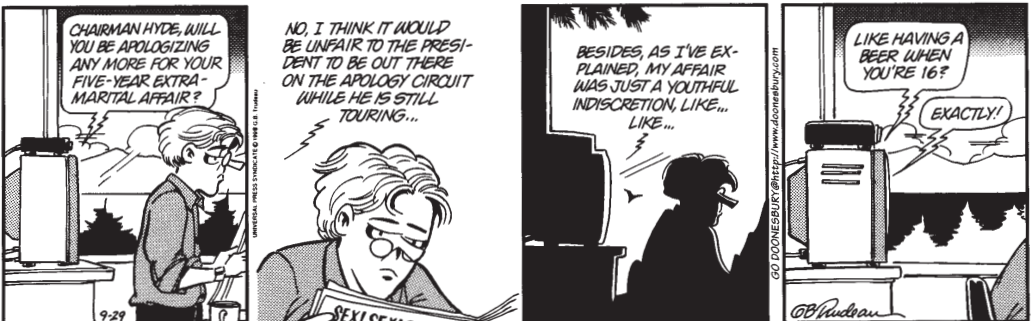
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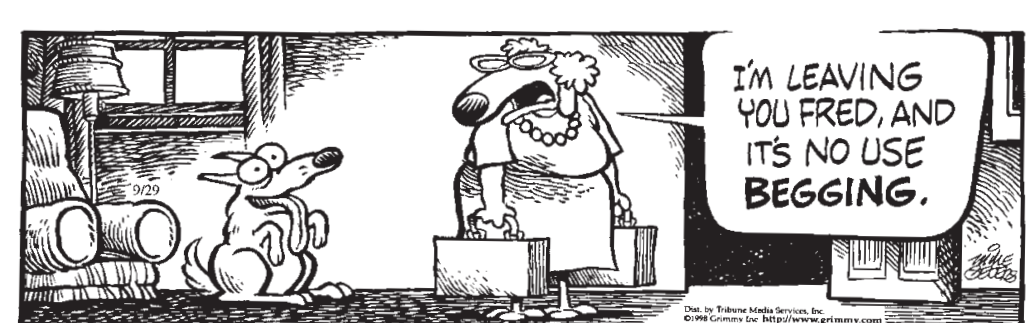
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Cubs beat Giants

Chicago heads to postseason for first time since 1989

CHICAGO (AP) — Now, Steve Trachsel will be remembered for more than giving up a historic home run. He's pitched those lovable losers, the Chicago Cubs, into the playoffs.

With a home run boost from castoff Gary Gaetti and two key singles by Sammy Sosa, the Cubs beat the San Francisco Giants 5-3 Monday night to win the frenetic one-game playoff for the NL wild-card spot.

They survived despite a three-run rally in the ninth by the Giants. Barry Bonds, who grounded out with the bases loaded to end the seventh, came up again with the bases loaded but managed only a sacrifice fly.

The Cubs haven't been to a World Series since 1945 and haven't won one in 90 years, yet they're going to the postseason for the first time since 1989.

And now it's on to Atlanta, an extension of one of the most exciting seasons in their storied, sometimes laughable, always eventful, history. The Cubs, who won six of nine from the Braves, play Game 1 Wednesday.

The Cubs nearly did not get this far, losing six of their previous eight games, including Sunday's finale in Houston. But they were saved when Colorado rallied from a 7-0 deficit to beat the Giants 9-8, forcing the first one-game playoff in the NL since 1980.

Controversial fly ball ousts Panthers

Softball team wins three straight before falling to Evansville 1-0 in extra innings

By Matt Wilson
Sports editor

The Panther softball team came out of its first fall softball tournament with some positive results.

Eastern went 3-2 and made it to the eight-team single elimination tournament at the tournament hosted by Western Illinois.

"We were very close from getting into the final day and we beat some big teams like Missouri," Panther Head Coach Lloydene Searle said.

The Panthers were 3-1 going into the single-elimination tournament, but fell to Evansville 1-0 in extra innings and got knocked out of the tournament. It was a controversial loss, as a fly ball was hit to right fielder Lindsay Klockenga and the runner from third base left early and none of the umpires saw it.

Eastern had four hits compared to Evansville's two, but had three costly errors in the game. Juniors Julie Fonda, Klockenga and Sara DeLaere all went 1-for-3 in the loss.

DeLaere took the loss for the Panthers.

"DeLaere pitched a great game against Evansville," Searle said.

To be able to get to the elimination round, the Panthers came away with three straight victories. The final of the three victories was a 5-1 victory over Drake on Saturday.

Eastern gave up a costly run in the bottom of the seventh inning to the Bulldogs. If the Panthers could have held Drake scoreless, they would have made it to the championship round on Sunday.

Eastern pounded out nine hits in the game, with sophomore Carissa Friedwald going 3-for-3 in the win.

Senior Stacy Siebert gave up four hits in seven innings to take the win for the Panthers.

"Siebert has really stepped it up this year," Searle said.

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"We were very close from getting into the final day and we beat some big teams like Missouri."

Lloydene Searle,
Eastern softball coach

fer Amanda Perjeoski, Eastern defeated Bradley 5-0 in the third game of the tournament.

"Perjeoski pitched a great game for us," Searle said. "She came in with a lot of experience and did an excellent job."

The Panther bats pounded out eight hits in the game led by Klockenga who went 3-for-4 in the victory.

The first win of the tournament came over a good Big 12 Missouri school 1-0. Fonda had both of the Panther hits in the game as Eastern scored one run in the top of the fourth and DaLaere kept the Tigers bats silent. Missouri had only three hits in the game.

The tournament did not get off to a good start for the Panthers, as they fell to Northern Illinois 2-1.

"That was our first game our bats didn't get going," Searle said.

This game also had its share of controversy as a Huskie batter bunted a ball that hit her bat twice. The base umpires were looking at the runners on base and the home plate umpire was blocked by the catcher, so none of the umpires saw what happened.

Eastern was not the only Ohio Valley Conference team to compete in the tournament, as Eastern Kentucky and Southeast Missouri also participated.

Defending OVC champions Southeast Missouri made it into the championship round Sunday where it faced Northern Illinois. Eastern Kentucky lost to Illinois State 6-2 in



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Panther pitcher Sara DeLaere took the defeat in Eastern's 1-0 loss to Evansville but pitched a great game, according to head coach Lloydene Searle.

the single-elimination tournament Saturday.

"SEMO had some solid games and I saw them have a couple of solid hits, but I was not able to see that much," Searle said. "I did not see Eastern Kentucky at all. I think our conference did well, we were all pushing for that No. 1 spot in the pool."

Searle said she saw one major positive come out of this fall tournament.

"I said in a previous discussion to somebody at Eastern that our team is working together and our No. 1 strength is depth," she said. "We played everybody in every game and they didn't miss a beat."

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Panther tailback Shaun Grace hits the ground during Eastern's win over Tennessee Tech on Saturday. The Panther defense has allowed an average of 17.8 points per game this season, putting Eastern at second best in the Ohio Valley Conference. Tech leads the conference with its 17 ppg average.

Dave Pump
Staff photographer



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Survey says

With the win over Tech, Eastern moves up three spots to No. 22 in the ESPN/USA Today I-AA poll. Murray State drops from No. 9 to No. 11 and Eastern Kentucky goes

into weekend play with a No. 10 ranking, up two slots from the week before.

It's good

Thanks to Chad Lamer's two 27-yard field goals Saturday against Tech, the Eastern placekicker is now 4-of-5 on the season, the third-best percentage in the conference.

Murray State's Greg Miller is 6-of-6 while Tech's David Collett is 5-of-6 on field goal attempts.

Hitting the road, finally

Southeast Missouri closed out its four-game homestand to start the season with a 41-14 win over Tennessee-Martin.

SEMO (2-2, 1-1) heads to Charleston Saturday to play Eastern and follows that up with another road game against Tennessee Tech.

■ Compiled by Chad Merda, managing editor

Rugby team hammers Western

Eastern men try not to be cocky about lopsided 87-0 win

By Jarrett Wells
Staff writer

The men's rugby team went into Saturday's game with Western Illinois expecting a hard fought game. What they got instead was a blowout victory. Eastern tallied two scores within the first 20 seconds of the game on its way to an 87-0 rout of the Leathernecks.

Men's rugby

Western Illinois	0
Eastern	87

"Our teamwork was outstanding," Bryan Reidy said. "This was one of the best efforts the team has had this year."

The victory raises the Panthers' record to 4-1 overall and 2-0 in the Midwest Union. With its 2-0 record, Eastern remains at the top of the Union standings.

Although Eastern doesn't have a national ranking, it remains one of the best teams in the Midwest.

"We lost to Illinois-Chicago in the playoffs last year, so that's what people are judging us by," Reidy said. "We are looking to prove ourselves in the playoffs this year."

Before entering the playoffs, though, Eastern still has three regular season games left.

"We are really confident about ourselves right now, but we're not overconfident," Reidy said.

"We talked after the Western game, and everybody knows that we could get beaten like that somewhere down the line, so we try not to become cocky."

The next game for the Panthers will be a week from this Saturday against Southern Illinois down in Carbondale.

"This is a big game for us," Reidy said. "It's a Union game, and Southern is one of our biggest rivals, so we expect a really good game."

After the game against Southern, Eastern entertains Illinois State on Homecoming, then travels to Northwestern to end the regular season.

Doak Walker dead at 71

DENVER (AP) - Doak Walker's friends said he fought the crippling ski injury that claimed his life as hard as he ever fought on the football fields that made him famous.

"Doak would not give up. He was tough until he died. His spirit, attitude, everything was incredible, very positive. He was a courageous individual," said friend John Nichols.

Walker, the 1948 Heisman Trophy winner who starred on two NFL championship teams, was paralyzed in a skiing accident earlier this year. He died Sunday at age 71.

He was at Routt Hospital in his beloved Steamboat Springs, the ski resort 100 miles north of Denver where he had made his home for

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That survey has been going on for the last four to five months, according to Nitzschke.

But former SEMO and current Eastern Athletic Director Rich McDuffie said the idea of making a move is something that has been tossed around in the past.

"When I was athletic director there, I had discussions with the MVC three to four years ago," McDuffie said. "But at that point, there were no openings in the MVC and to my knowledge there aren't any now."

The MVC currently has 10 teams, just like the OVC.

While interim SEMO Athletic Director Caroll Williams did acknowledge the possibility of switching to the MVC, he said much of the speculation is premature.

"People have gotten the wrong idea; some people have gotten such an assumption because we're playing in an MVC basketball doubleheader this year in St. Louis," he said. "But we play a lot of MVC teams just like (Eastern) does. Our connection with the tournament is that St. Louis is a major connection and we're playing in the tournament to try to recruit students and get more media coverage."

"To my knowledge, there has been no contact with the MVC as far as becoming part of that conference," Williams said.

If the move is made, it would probably be a few years away and McDuffie does not anticipate it would have a great impact on Eastern.

"It would have a minimal effect because the OVC is a fairly strong and stable league," Williams said.

While the conference has 10 teams, only eight compete in foot-

ball due to Morehead State and Austin Peay's non-scholarship football team. With Middle Tennessee going I-A next year, Western Kentucky will return to the OVC and take Middle's spot.

This season the Ohio Valley put together a conference for women's soccer, which Eastern is participating in as well as the MVC. SEMO is slated to start a team next season, but even if it does move from the OVC, the conference would still have the five teams required in the by-laws to crown a champion.

Nitzschke said in any case, more research needs to be done after the informal survey already conducted. "When it's informal, it's not scientific; until we do a formal study, we don't know how valid (the informal one) is," Nitzschke said. "We're just testing the waters. The view is that given the location, and where we draw our students from, we ought to be looking if any other conference would benefit us."



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Spikers take 9-2 record to UIC



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Kim Blackwell, from left, Missy Hollencamp, Kim DeMage and Meleah Cutler of the Panther volleyball team eye an airborne ball against DePaul University. Next on the Panthers' schedule is a trip to Chicago to play the University of Illinois at Chicago.

Panthers looking to improve play after near loss to Loyola

By Kyle Bauer
Staff writer

For the second time in four days, the Panther volleyball team will travel to Chicago for a non-conference match.

This time the opponent will be Illinois-Chicago. The Flames will enter the game with a 3-8 overall record and an 0-1 Mid Continent Conference record.

Eastern will be trying to spoil the Flames' home opener and improve on its 9-2 overall record.

The Flames are coming off of an 11-21 season in which they finished fourth in the MCC. This year's team features a good mix of young and old players. UIC's six returning letterwinners are joined by six newcomers.

About the same time that Eastern was struggling with Loyola Friday night, UIC was busy beating up on Cleveland State. The Ramblers, who forced a five game match against Eastern, defeated Cleveland State earlier in the season.

The Panthers could have their work cut out for them if they are not careful. "Usually in the past they have not been up to our level, but they are playing really well. They just beat a good team. We can't take them lightly like we did with Loyola or we will lose," junior Meleah Cutler said.

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Strong 'D' boosting low scoring output

Four weeks into the season, it's a complete turnaround for the Eastern football team. The defense is strong – fourth in the Ohio Valley Conference in overall defense and second in scoring defense (17.8 ppg) behind Tennessee Tech (17.0 ppg).

The strong Panther "D" has helped carry much of the team behind a struggling offense. The Eastern offense is second to last in scoring, with only a winless Tennessee-Martin squad having hit paydirt with less frequency.

It's total offense of 275 yards per game puts the Panthers at No. 6 in the conference.

Four weeks into the season, the traditionally strong running game is fourth best in the conference with its 128 yards per game – Eastern Kentucky leads with 181 yards each time out.

But the struggling offensive numbers can be a bit deceptive. After all, since Anthony Buich took over the starting quarterback job, the Panthers are 2-0, including the 24-10 win over I-A Northern Illinois.



Buich is 35-of-58 for 300 yards with two touchdowns and two interceptions in action so far.

Tied up top

Wins by both the Panthers and Eastern Kentucky this past weekend force a three-way conference tie, with Murray State being the other team with a 3-1 overall and 1-0 OVC record.

Murray State is coming off a 43-9 road loss against BYU on Saturday. The Racers' ground game struggled by only rushing for 35 yards on 37 attempts.

Eastern Kentucky had to come from behind against Middle Tennessee and secured the 28-24 win on an 11-yard pass from Jon Denton to Rondel Menendez. Middle was driving late in the game but a fumble on the 7-yard line secured the Eastern Kentucky win.

Middle has now lost three in a row after starting out the season with a 28-27 win over Tennessee State.

USA Today/ESPN 1-AA College Poll

Rank	Team	Record	Previous
1.	McNeese State	4-0	1
2.	Youngstown State	3-0	2
3.	Georgia Southern	4-0	3
4.	Villanova	3-1	4
5.	Hofstra	4-0	6
6.	Hampton	4-0	7
7.	Northwestern St.	3-0	8
8.	Delaware	3-1	10
9.	Appalachian State	3-0	11
10.	Eastern Kentucky*	3-1	12
11.	Murray State*	3-1	9
12.	William and Mary	3-1	5
13.	Western Illinois	3-1	14
14.	Connecticut	3-0	15
15.	Weber State	4-0	21
16.	Southern	3-1	16
17.	Florida A & M	3-1	18
18.	Northern Arizona	3-1	17
19.	Troy State	3-1	19
20.	Northern Iowa	2-2	20
21.	Montana	2-2	13
22.	Eastern Illinois*	3-1	25
23.	Furman	3-1	24
24.	Western Kentucky	2-2	22
25.	South Florida	3-0	NR

* denotes Ohio Valley Conference schools

The Colonels have this week off while Murray State hosts perennial conference doormat Tennessee-Martin.

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Conference rival SEMO looking to abandon OVC

By Chad Merda
Managing editor

Southeast Missouri is not keeping it a secret any longer – it is indeed considering leaving the Ohio Valley Conference.

"We're not anywhere near the stage of making a decision," Southeast Missouri President Dale Nitzschke said. "We're just talking out loud and talking to everyone. If we decide to enter another conference, it's not because of any displeasure with the OVC."

The university is exploring the possibility of moving into the Missouri Valley Conference, which geographically makes more sense. The MVC's headquarters are in St. Louis and many SEMO students come from that area as well.

"We're surveying the administration, students and the booster club to find out everybody's view on the issue," Nitzschke said.

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