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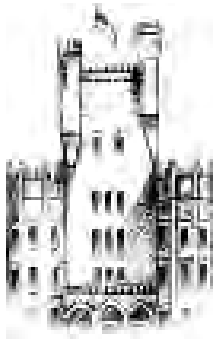
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Search will start from scratch

Associate Vice President for Academic Affairs for Technology position remains unfilled

By Jamie Fetty
Administration editor

Provost Blair Lord told the Faculty Senate Tuesday that he would, "with great reluctance," reopen the search for an Associate Vice President for Academic Affairs for Technology.

After Lord's reexamination of the search finalists, it became clear that neither would be a good fit for Eastern and vice versa.

After the search committee for the position narrowed down the search to two possible candidates, Lord said he checked their references, interviewed them and spoke more with them about the position.

"There are many reasons why these searches don't succeed, and several were present in this case."

One candidate, Glenn S. Everett, currently serves as the director of Informational Technology at the University of Tennessee-Martin. He earned his doctorate in English at Brown University and his master's in English from George Washington University.

The other candidate, Dale E. Bower, has worked for two years as a postdoctoral assistant studying methods of instructional technology at the University of South Florida. She has written several unpublished research papers on Web-based learning, including "The Emergence of Virtual Learning in a Knowledge-Based Economy" and "Teaching and Learning Circa 2004: Wireless,

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A jazz-filled finish

Caitlin Bullis
Staff Photographer

Waylon Schroeder jazzes through a solo part in "A Country Boy" Tuesday night in the Dvorak Concert Hall. "A Country Boy" was written by Herb Ellis.



Caitlin Bullis/Staff Photographer

The Eastern Illinois University Jazz Ensemble played "Party Time", which was written by Bob Mintzer

EIU Jazz Ensemble provides festive atmosphere for last concert of semester

By Mary Sarah Hoole
Staff writer

Before the last jazz performance of the semester began, Sam Fagaly, director of the EIU Jazz Ensemble, said, "I hope the audience will be able to enjoy some of the old-style music to contemporary music being played at tonight's performance."

The performance took place at Leo J. Dvorak Concert Hall in the Quincy V. Doudna Fine Arts Center Tuesday night.

The Jazz Ensemble featured special guest soloist Faculty member Michael Stryker, music professor, on the piano gracing the audience at intermission with a few selected holiday tunes.

The show was highlighted by arrangements by Bob Mintzer's "Party Time." Soloists in Mintzer's piece included Scott Hargis on the trombone and saxophonist Waylon Schroeder.

Schroeder also performed in other pieces such as Ellen Rowe's Latin piece "Cross Currents," "Midnight Bells" by Les Hooper and "81" by Miles Davis and Ron Carter.

"Davis and Carter's piece was exceptional with the student soloists," Rick Howder of the audience said at intermission.

At the end of the performance Megha Patel and Rick Howder both agreed that, "with the aid of the instruction of Sam Fagaly, the Jazz Ensemble's rendition of "Cross Currents" by Ellen Rowe was magnificent."

"Midnight Bells" by Les Hooper also was said to be very well done.

The last song to be played before intermission was "81" by Miles Davis and Ron Carter off of Davis's recorded album "ESP".

"It was directed beautifully," Patel said as she was standing outside with others during intermission.

The second half of the evening included Simon Marks' "All of Me", Herb Ellis' "A Country Boy", Frank Mantooth's "The Slug," and Spence's, Bergman's, and Keith's piece "Nice and Easy".

Fallout of Jitters plan leaves sour taste in mouth of business, university

By Maura Possley
Campus editor

The proposal for Jitters and Bliss to locate in the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union never materialized, leaving the university blaming Jitters and Bliss and Jitters and Bliss pointing the finger at Eastern.

Keith Bliss, owner of Jitters and Bliss, said he feels burned by the

university's practices during negotiations.

Since Bliss worked with Eastern for three years to develop the new coffee shop in the Union, and the university continually approved his proposals, Bliss said he is left wondering why the university dropped the local business from consideration to develop plans of its own.

"They've reneged on their

promise," he said. "I always thought there was a hidden agenda."

But Eastern officials say that a contract was never signed and developments between Jitters and Bliss were not going as smoothly as needed.

Mark Hudson, Housing and Dining Services director, said the university ultimately decided to go ahead with its own plans because

the two sides were unable to come to an agreement since last fall.

"It's been a long, drawn out process," Hudson said. "We never seemed to come to an agreement."

However, Bliss said the only issue remaining was whether his establishment would sell soda. In fact, up until the university decided to go out on their own, Bliss had moved \$40,000 of equipment to the

Union, he said.

Shirley Stewart, interim vice president for student affairs, said there was never a final agreement.

"[Bliss] made a proposal, but there was never any contract signed or agreed to," she said.

Bliss said he was asked to meet with the university at the end of this

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Portfolio advice available through workshop for faculty

By Jenny Johnson
Staff writer

Faculty on the tenure track, or those looking for promotions, can receive tips on portfolio preparation at the Portfolio Preparation Workshop today.

David Radavich, president of Eastern's chapter of the University Professionals of Illinois and English professor, and Jeffrey Cross, associate vice president for academic affairs, will host the meeting at 1 p.m. in the Martinsville Room of the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union.

Billie Rawlings, a member of Cross' staff, said the workshop is

provided for faculty who are up for tenure in the spring, or for those who are looking to be evaluated for tenure, promotion or profession advance increase.

The workshop will cover what information goes into the portfolio and how that material is evaluated, Rawlings said.

Rawlings also mentioned that Radavich and Cross will explain how to organize a portfolio and provide tips on the general guidelines, contract timeliness, evaluation period and criteria of the portfolios.

Radavich and Cross will distribute handouts covering the main points, Rawlings said. Rawlings also mentioned that the

speakers will also detail the relevant articles in the UPI collective bargaining agreement.

The workshop is important for faculty because the portfolio is the basis of retention evaluation. Everything the faculty is evaluated on belongs in the portfolio, Rawlings said.

The portfolio is then evaluated at four levels. The individuals who apply will have their portfolio reviewed by their academic department, department chair, the college dean and the university personnel committee.

The Portfolio Preparation Workshop will last about two hours, and all faculty members are invited to attend.



Laura Milen/Staff Photographer

Lending an ear

Eastern students, who wish to be unidentified, listen in to an Eastern counselor speak about how to help friends in stressful situations on Tuesday night in the Charleston/Mattoon room of the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union. One of the topics addressed was how to console friends with suicidal thoughts.

Senate to elect new speaker tonight

By Jessica Danielewicz
Student government editor

The Student Senate tonight will hold elections for the new speaker of the senate and discuss a constitutional amendment regarding qualifications for the City Council Liaison.

Student Senate bylaws mandate that the speaker of the senate elections be held each semester. The speaker of the senate is the presiding officer of the senate, the chairperson of the Legislative Leadership Committee, delivers a State of the Senate address each semester and appoints committee chairs.

Qualifications for the City Council Liaison were discussed at last week's meeting, but senate

bylaws required it to be tabled before it could be voted on, Speaker of the Senate Joe Robbins said.

The amendment states the candidate must be a sophomore with a minimum 2.5 grade point average and have a demonstrated knowledge of student government and Charleston government.

A resolution concerning credit card solicitation has been on the senate agenda for several weeks but has not been voted on because of confusion about rules already in existence.

A requirement is already in place for any credit card applications given out in the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union to have a financial responsibility pamphlet given along with it, Robbins said.

The proposed resolution would make the same stipulation for applications given out in the residence halls, but there has been confusion on the issue because housing policy prohibits credit card solicitation in the first place.

The senate will meet at 7 p.m. tonight in the Arcola/Tuscola Room of the Union.

In other business, the senate will discuss a bill allocating Student Government funds for a hotel room and car for those attending the Illinois Board of Higher Education Student Advisory Committee meeting at Western Illinois University this weekend.

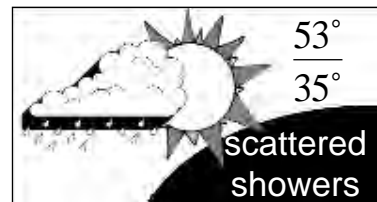
The senate will also choose a senator of the semester and the spring 2001 senate, which was elected last week, will be seated.

three-day forecast

today



Thursday



Friday



Christmas party will include music, trees

By Aaron Carlson
Staff writer

Eastern's campus is invited to attend the "Holiday at the Castle" and enjoy festive music performed by local students in two separate performances.

The festive shows will feature different instrument arrangements along with choir groups from Charleston High School and Eastern. The first show will take place at the foyer of Old Main today from 5 to 7 p.m., and the second performance will be from 2 to 4:30 p.m. on Thursday at the same location.

Eastern Strings group, along with the Charleston High School (CHS) Madrigals will perform on Wednesday.

The CHS Madrigals are a separate group from the CHS choir and band, and will offer songs and hymns of Christmas spirit.

Thursday's performance will feature Eastern's flute choir as well as the Eastern brass group.

"Both performances are free of charge to Eastern students as well as the public, and will offer festive refreshments on the side," said Vicki Woodard of the Media Relations Department.

Woodard said that some of the local junior high schools and elementary schools will also have a hand in the performances, offering ornaments for Christmas trees.

"There will be one main Christmas tree, with two smaller ones next to it, all of which will be decorated with ornaments made by students from Jefferson, Ashmore, and Carl Sandburg elementary," said Woodard.

Residents in the dark on council members' terms

By Brandi Volk
City editor

At last night's city council meeting, Charleston resident Bob Lewis questioned why residents did not know sooner that council members Lorelei Sims and Marge Knoop would only be serving a two-year term instead

of a four-year term due to switching of city manager form of government.

"My main concern that it was dropped as a bombshell. I find it unacceptable that this has sat there for four and a half years," said Lewis.

The statute was discovered by the League of Women Voters.

"People are expressing concern because no one was privy to this knowledge," said Sims.

"I wish we'd all known but I'm pleased the League of Women Voters pointed it out," said Mayor Dan Cougill during the meeting about the issue.

Also during the meeting, the council passed the ordinance that

will increase the rates for the ambulance service of the city to be on public inspection. "More service is being provided," said Cougill.

"I can guarantee that we've saved a lot of lives," said council member John Winnett about the city's ambulance service.

Other ordinances that were

passed to be on public inspection were the addition of stop signs to the following intersections: Hawthorne and Shawnee Drive, Sawnee and Tanglewood Drive and Fawn Hollow Drive and Lincoln Highway Road.

The tax levy for the fiscal year of 2002/2003 was also placed on public inspection.

Local farms offer variety of live Christmas trees

By Brandi Volk
City editor

Picking out a Christmas tree has become a time-honored tradition for many families and students, and there are several local options for honoring that tradition.

Blair Tree Farm, Mandana Pine Christmas Trees and Homann Tree Farm are three area farms where holiday shoppers can find a wide variety of Christmas trees. Scotch pine, white pine, fraser, balsam fir, Norway spruce, blue spruce and North Carolina hybrid are just a few varieties customers can select from.

Depending on where one goes, the tree can be pre-cut or cut once it's picked out. Blair Tree Farm has workers who will cut the tree down once it's selected, or it has balsam fir and fraser trees pre-cut. They also have Scotch and white pine trees for \$3.50 a foot. Scotch trees are popular for their freshness, Marsha Blair said.

Besides the trees, Blair Tree Farm also has custom-designed wreaths that range in size from 10 inches to three feet. On weekends they also have pony rides for children. Balsam trees are \$4.50 a foot and Frasers are \$44 for a five-foot tree. "They are like the Cadillac of Christmas trees," Blair said. Frasers are shipped in from out of state because they cannot grow in Illinois.

Blair Tree Farm, located six miles east of Charleston on Illinois Route 16, is open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily. The farm can be reached at 349-8688.

The trees at Mandana Pine Christmas Tree farm start at \$20, and rise in price depending on the size and type of tree. The farm, formerly called Sturgeon's, has been in opera-

tion for three years. Owner Dana Matheny said fraser trees have been popular this year.

Students living in the residence halls must get their tree sprayed with a fire retardant by Eastern's grounds department, Facilities Planning and Management.

Matheny said that while quite a few students have purchased trees this year, selecting the perfect tree can be an event for the whole family.

"My fun is just seeing the families come out and enjoy the popcorn and cocoa," he said. "You don't see many families doing stuff, so it's good to see them come out."

Mandana has wreaths, refreshments, and will shake and bail the trees. Mandana is located four and a half miles east of Charleston on Illinois Route 16. The farm can be reached at 345-5588 and is open weekdays from 1 to 6:30 p.m., Saturday 10 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. and Sunday noon to 6 p.m.

Homann's Tree Farm, owned and operated by Harold Homann, has been in business for 25 years. The 93-year-old Homann, who grew up on the farm, said he gets customers from anywhere from Champaign to Farina. His customers come anytime from 6:30 a.m. to 8 p.m. to view the wide variety of trees on his farm.

Homann sells Scotch and white pine, blue and Norway spruce, and North Carolina hybrid. Apparently, big trees have been big business this year for Homann.

"There has been a great market for 10-foot-tall trees," he said.

Homann's Tree Farm is located three miles north of Mattoon on Route 45. Their trees are \$15 and \$20.



Ryan Begy/Staff photographer

Hordes of Christmas Trees are waiting to be purchased Tuesday afternoon at Wal-Mart Supercenter on Lincoln Avenue. Other places to purchase Christmas trees this season are Blair Tree Farm, Mandana Pine Christmas Trees and Homann Tree Farm.

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Expand the Panther Card

It's nice to see attempts are being made to catch our little plastic Panther Card up with some of the other student identification cards around the state. Student Senate member Nick Skipitaris is pushing for the Panther Card to function as a debit card at area businesses.

In a semester that has seemingly been plagued with inactivity by the Student Senate, it's good to see a positive effort for improvement being made by at least one senate member. If activated, this new use

would be the first expansion for the Panther card since its ATM function was activated through a partnership with First-Mid Illinois Bank & Trust.

The debit function is something that has caught on at other state universities already. The NIU One Card at Northern Illinois University has a partnership with TCF Bank that allows students to not only use their student ID as an ATM card but as a debit card at any business worldwide that carries a debit processing machine.

At first, Skipitaris has indicated this new debit function would be limited to local businesses, but it could soon be used at participating businesses worldwide through a Visa Plus Network program.

While the implementation of the debit program is a good one, and Skipitaris should be commended for his work, efforts to expand the Panther Card shouldn't stop there.

The debit function doesn't appeal to the majority of Panther Card holders, just those that hold an account at First-Mid. However, a change in the Dining Dollars function of the card would further benefit many other students living both on and off campus.

Bradley University's BU Card isn't affiliated with a bank, but it does have a "quick cash" dining dollar function that allows students to purchase food both in the university's food court and at businesses throughout the community. An expanded use of Dining Dollars in the community also is something NIU is working on implementing, Mike Gotthardt, the university's director of student life, said.

Perhaps more options for spending Dining Dollars would help revive local businesses that seem to be struggling on Lincoln Avenue. While Skipitaris' efforts to activate the Panther Card's debit function is a great step, we should be sure not to stop and fall behind the rest of the pack again.

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

Student Senate's numbers do not lie

Earlier this year, someone on Student Senate said the Warbler yearbook was "not a worthy cause," according to an article in The Daily Eastern News. This statement was made during tuition and fee review time, when the senate doles out recommendations for fee increases.

I'm not going to debate that point, although I think it was an asinine comment. What I am going to do is break it down in comparison to something I think actually has proven to be an unworthwhile cause: the Student Senate.

Students pay about \$4 in activity fees per year for the yearbook, and for that pittance, they each have the opportunity to get their hands on a quality, 250-page publication that holds as many memories as it possibly can.

Students also pay a portion of their activity fee for the Student Senate's budget. They get five executive members and a senate speaker, who all receive tuition waivers that come to roughly \$15,000 total. They also provide senate with a budget for travel, pay phone and printing bills and other various administrative costs.

In total, that budget comes to about \$45,000 a year. Let's look at what students get for that. Since it's only been a semester, we'll have to examine the last four months and see if it's been worth \$22,500, or half the senate's budget.

The Student Senate has three different sorts of legislation it deals with: bylaw changes, bills and resolutions. Bylaw changes are entirely self-contained — they deal with the inner workings of senate and Student Government. Resolutions are essentially proclamations: they are signs of support for various individuals or organizations. So bills are about the only thing that actually gets anything done that affects the university.

Some bills are matters of process, such as the tuition and fee recommendations, that have to get done every year. Therefore, those are not generated by the senate or its members — they are annual university matters.

It took the Tuition and Fee Review Committee two tries this year because it couldn't count how many people were in



Matt Neistein
Director of night production

"Among the lame ideas they came up with, tried to pass or just filibustered..."

their elected representatives for. Yet another set the cap for this year's experimental fee review process at \$29.20. The last two involved giving the University Board a total of \$5,200 for concerts and the RSO Fair.

For all intents and purposes, Student Senate didn't come up with one novel concept, improvement or creation to improve the campus or the day-to-day lives of the students, faculty and staff at Eastern.

Among the lame ideas they came up with, tried to pass or just filibustered about were signs by fire alarms telling people to not pull a false fire alarm (I can only assume signs by windows saying not to jump were next), expensive water purification systems for the residence halls (because 99 cents for a gallon at Walker's apparently was too much), and unsnarling a "new" parking problem that the University Police Department said doesn't exist.

They've had plenty of time to brainstorm something realistic or useful. According to Student Senate's minutes for this semester, they've spent over 28 hours in senate meetings, not to mention countless hours of committee meetings and senate member office hours in the Student Activity Center.

Is the pot calling the kettle black? I think so. I think that 250-page yearbook is worth more than what Student Senate has done for me this semester. I think that the \$22,500 I contributed to has pretty much gone down the drain.

I think Student Senate has another semester to show it's a "worthwhile cause."

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Keep up with the pack

The university needs to continue to expand the role of the Panther Card to keep up with other state universities.

Letter writer needs to learn comprehension

I have sat patiently and read many not-so-brilliant (being polite) responses in this column that deserved a good thrashing. Alas, one provoked me to respond.

Matthew Taylor wrote an article in the Nov. 30 column that heavily criticized a hilarious Nov. 28 article written by Joseph Ryan.

Ryan's article theorizes a system for hiring a president, which intentionally goes astray of the standard norms of outlining administrative and academic qualities typically found in university hierarchy. Ryan humorously dives into scenarios depicting the new university leader as an experienced partier who knows when to take his necktie off and

Your turn

Letters to the editor

"kick it" with us common folk.

Taylor apparently did not grasp the self-evident humor of Ryan's article. After a dew babbling paragraphs, Taylor uses the phrase, "If Ryan meant the column as a joke ..." "If..." "If..." What do you mean, "If..." Matthew? Of course it was meant as a joke. I gathered Ryan's article was a joke within the first few seconds of reading it.

Taylor's self-indulgent rant gains momentum by making the implication that Ryan's humorous article was a waste on something ridiculous which degrades and embarrasses everyone at Eastern.

Well, well, well, Matthew...I see you

listed yourself as a junior with an English major. I strongly suggest you immediately seek the guidance of your academic adviser and look into something known in the English Department as "comprehension."

Please do this immediately. As you implied in your response, one person should not degrade and embarrass everyone at Eastern. You should not attempt to guard Eastern against humorous columns, nor should you consider yourself the spokesperson of Eastern's identity. I shudder at the thought of you venturing out into the world and maniacally misinterpreting all sorts of things, all the while identifying yourself as a fellow Eastern graduate.

Kenneth Bauer

Junior journalism and pre-law major



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University breaks even on home playoff game

Ticket sales cover NCAA's \$30,000 requirement

By Jessica Danielewicz
Student government editor

While the Athletic Department does not yet have exact attendance figures for Saturday's football playoff game, it did sell enough tickets to cover the \$30,000 payment due to the NCAA.

Assistant Athletics Director Dave Kidwell said the game broke even on the required \$30,000 for NCAA as well as \$3,000 for expenses.

"At this point the most important thing is knowing we made the guarantee," he said.

NCAA regulations state that hosting schools must guarantee \$30,000 in ticket sales for the first round playoff. Eastern would have been required to guarantee an additional \$40,000 if the Panther football team played a second-round game at O'Brien Stadium.

The required amount was obtained through gate receipts, sponsorship from the Apportionment Board, gifts and corporate sponsorships, Kidwell said.

The AB sponsorship was the \$5,000 given by AB for free tickets, and "gifts" include individual donations, he said. However, he said he could not detail the specific funds that were derived from corporate sponsorships, donations or ticket sales. Kidwell said attendance figures would not be known this week.

The Athletic Department received \$5,000 from the Apportionment Board reserve account to purchase 1,000 student tickets at \$5 each to be given away for free. Kidwell said all of those tickets were given away for the game.

Had Eastern gone on to host a second playoff game, they would have received an additional \$5,000 from the same account to purchase another 1,000 free tickets for the second game. But since the Panthers lost the first game the AB funds were not appropriated for the now non-existent second game.

Purchasing student tickets to hand them out free was proposed to the AB by the Athletic Department because it was thought students, who usually get into games free, would not be willing to pay to attend the game.



Sara Figiel/ staff photographer

Eastern football players head to the O'Brien Stadium locker room in O'Brien Stadium during Saturday's 49-43 first-round playoff loss to the Panthers of Northern Iowa.

Senate gets update on Illinois Board of Higher Education's plans

Technology grants also revealed

By Jamie Fetty
Administration editor

Journalism Department Chair Les Hyder addressed the Faculty Senate Tuesday about the business of the Faculty Advisory Council of the Illinois Board of Higher Education.

Within the council, Hyder serves on two committees: one being the Budget Committee, which has equal numbers of representatives from four-year public institutions, community colleges

and private universities, and the other being the Assessment Committee.

Hyder said the Budget Committee's report asks the Board of Higher Education to work to retain faculty and staff, addresses the issue of Illinois' status as the highest exporter of students to out-of-state institutions, balances monetary award program disbursements that favor private universities and prioritizes appropriations based on need.

Hyder chairs the Assessment

Committee of the council, which is working to keep the state from applying state standards with tests and other methods to all Illinois institutions.

In addition, he said the council amended its bylaws and changed the name from Faculty Advisory Committee to Faculty Advisory Council, which "better articulates our role and status," Hyder said.

In other business, John Pommier, associate recreation administration professor, announced how Technology Enhanced and Delivered Education Grants will be divided

among various categories of proposals.

Professional development grants received \$24,245 of their request of about \$30,000. Technology enhanced courses got \$65,087 of more than \$135,000 requested.

Technology delivered courses were granted \$61,444 of their more than \$80,000 request and technology delivered programs got \$40,000 of \$63,070 requested.

Pommier said the discrepancies between requests and awards had more to do with how the grants were written than with the finite supply of available funds.

The senate touched on a resolution it and Student Senate passed in recent weeks addressing issues of exceptionality and commencement. The resolutions are now in the hands of the Council of Academic Affairs, Faculty Senate Chair Bud Fischer said.

The CAA meets at 2 p.m. on Thursday in the Arcola/Tuscola Room of the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union.

Senate members discussed their upcoming Spring Forum, which is tentatively scheduled for Jan. 29. This year's topic is scheduled to be faculty development.

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Retired Chicago police sergeants indicted in cocaine conspiracy

CHICAGO (AP) — Two retired Chicago police sergeants and three other men were charged in a federal indictment unsealed Tuesday with taking part in a long-running plot to steal drugs and cash from drug dealers.

The indictment was returned by a federal grand jury on Nov. 27 and unsealed following the arrest Monday in Las Vegas of Larry Hargrove, 57, a 31-year veteran of the force who retired as a sergeant in March 2000.

The indictment charges that Hargrove and three other men plotted to get cash, narcotics and other property through a wave of robberies, extortion and theft directed at drug dealers.

The three others were Eddie C. Hicks, 52, a retired sergeant with 30 years on the force; Matthew L. Moran, 56, a former civilian employee of the police; and Lawrence W. Knitter, 42, a former police motor pool mechanic.

Moran also spent 10 years as an investigator for the Illinois Department of Professional Regulation, beginning in 1990, according to a statement issued by the U.S. attorney's office.

Also charged in the case was Albert M. Fontana, 45, of Chicago, who was never a police officer or department employee, officials said.

Hicks, Moran and Knitter were arrested Feb. 1 after they allegedly

stole money and tried to steal cocaine that they believed belonged to drug dealers from two apartments on Chicago's South Side.

In fact, the three were snared by federal agents in an undercover sting operation and captured with electronic eavesdropping and video surveillance equipment, according to court papers.

The documents quoted an unnamed cooperating witness as saying that Hicks was part of a police "ripoff crew." The witness was quoted as saying that the crew got search warrants and raided drug apartments, grabbing up cash and narcotics, and leaving without arresting anyone.

Friend says accused child killer was upset but a 'great mother'

WHEATON (AP) — A woman accused of killing her three children was depressed and upset in the days before the deaths but was a good parent who didn't seem capable of killing her kids, a friend testified Tuesday.

Ann Hahn-Baiyor said Marilyn Lemak was a "great mother" who was patient with her children, kind and always kept a meticulous household. Starting in the fall of 1998, however, Lemak seemed stressed over her failing marriage to Dr. David Lemak and acknowledged having insomnia, experiencing pain

in her teeth from clenching her jaw and taking medication, Hahn-Baiyor said.

On March 3, 1999 — the day before Nicholas, 7, Emily, 6, and Thomas, 3, were drugged and suffocated in their Naperville home — Hahn-Baiyor said she ran into Lemak as the two volunteered at their children's school. Lemak was in tears.

"She was visibly upset, crying (and) shaking," Hahn-Baiyor said. "I asked her what was wrong, and she said she saw Dave's girlfriend's car parked outside his rental house."

Ryan's O'Hare plan would demolish 500 homes

CHICAGO (AP) — After months of negotiating with Chicago Mayor Richard Daley's administration on an airport expansion plan, Gov. George Ryan has forged ahead without him.

Ryan, answering congressional pressure to deal with long delays at O'Hare International Airport, said Congress should pass legislation to expand O'Hare, build an airfield in the Chicago suburb of Peotone and keep Meigs Field open for the next

25 years.

The governor's proposal, expected to cost at least \$6 billion, also includes a controversial south runway at O'Hare that will require the demolition of about 500 homes.

Ryan's proposal Monday is virtually identical to a deal with Daley that fell apart Thursday over who would pay to keep Meigs open. The commuter airfield on Chicago's lakefront is scheduled to be shut

down in February and turned into a park.

The governor's plan calls for airlines, not the state, to subsidize any deficit at the airport from the fees they collect at Midway and O'Hare.

Ryan said the plan is virtually all of what he thought had been negotiated with the city last week.

"This is basically the mayor's plan," Ryan said. "It's everything that he wanted."



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Spreading holiday cheer

Carman Hall Council members sing a few bars of "Silent Night." The carolers got together on Tuesday night at Sarah Bush Hospital on Route 16.

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Husband of *San Jose Mercury News* photographer arrested in her slaying

OAKLAND, Calif. (AP) — The estranged husband of a slain newspaper photographer has surrendered to face charges that he shot her to death.

Raymond Houston, 38, an electrical technician, surrendered Monday, police spokesman George Phillips said. An arraignment is scheduled for Wednesday.

Luci S. Houston, 43, a photogra-

pher with the *San Jose Mercury News*, had been missing for nearly a week. Her body was found Nov. 25 covered with a tarp in the back seat of her company car near a cemetery about a mile from her home. She died of gunshot wounds.

The couple had planned to divorce, Phillips said.

Police Sgt. Tim Nolan said his department believes the evidence

will show Houston was shot at the couple's Oakland home.

The *Mercury News* reported Monday that police alleged Raymond Houston patched a bullet hole in a bedroom wall in the couple's home and repainted the wall.

Luci Houston started working at the *Mercury News* in 1993. She previously was a photographer for *The (Cleveland) Plain Dealer*.

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summer and he was told his business no longer had the location.

"That is going to affect me," Bliss said.

Hudson said the university decided to go it alone, because of the belief that that way they would "capture a large enough percentage."

"From my experience, this whole thing has been based on financial issues, nothing beyond that," he said.

Stewart said the university had to consider the cost of labor, utilities

and , "investment to build the space vs. the amount of money and the split that [Bliss] would give us and what he would keep."

The goal of the university has been to get the service to students and faculty as soon as possible, but "we didn't feel we could (do that with Bliss)," Hudson said.

"We tried, tried and tried with Jitters and Bliss...people were just tired of waiting," Hudson said.

Bliss said he put a lot of time and effort into the location and now "they're using his research for their own business."

Stewart pointed out that the university had ideas for a coffee shop before Jitters and Bliss was

involved.

"We've been offering coffee and baked goods for at least four years...before [Bliss] was even involved in the conversations," she said.

The university is content in their decision to go out on their own, instead of continuing with Jitters and Bliss, Hudson said.

"I'm confident that the students will like the outcome," he said.

However, Bliss said he still doubts the university and contends that the university is "staying on even ground."

"The facts are shady right now because they're nervous of what I'm going to do," he said.

Search

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Wondrous and Worldly."

Among the responsibilities of the position is managing the Center for Academic Technology Support, which helps faculty scout out new

technologies to use in classes. The office also involves providing support and information to students in online classes and programs.

Lord stressed that the lack of an appointment is not the fault of the committee. Senate member James Tidwell, journalism professor, has agreed to chair the committee again, and Lord offered all members

of the first committee the opportunity to serve again.

The second search process "won't be wildly different" than the first, Lord said. Filling positions related to technology is difficult at colleges and universities, he said, because the demand for technology experts is great and the supply is modest.

Police: FBI, DEA serve warrant at home of O.J. Simpson

MIAMI (AP) — The FBI and federal drug agents searched the home of former football great O.J. Simpson early Tuesday, but authorities refused to give a reason for the search.

The warrant was served by the FBI, the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration and the Miami-Dade Police Department, according to Detective Ed Munn, a spokesman for the countywide police agency.

Agents arrived at Simpson's house around 6 a.m. eastern time, he said, and the former football great was at home.

Simpson attorney Yale Galanter

did not immediately return a call seeking comment.

Munn refused to say if the warrant was drug-related.

"Obviously it's a joint investigation and I'm sure that once the facts are gathered at his house, then we'll know more what this is all about."

The incident was not Simpson's first with the law since he moved to the neighborhood 15 miles southwest of Miami.

He was acquitted in a Miami trial Oct. 24 of grabbing another driver's glasses and scratching the man's face in an alleged road-rage argument Simpson insisted was started by the other guy.

Cable companies cement deal with Excite for three months

SAN JOSE, Calif. (AP) — ExciteAtHome's biggest remaining cable customers have agreed to pay hundreds of millions of dollars to ensure that the bankrupt Internet access provider keeps its service up and running for the next three months.

Cox Communications Inc. and Comcast Corp. said Monday their separate \$160 million deals will give them time to develop their own networks for cable Internet service. ExciteAtHome provides fast Web access for 570,000 Cox accounts and most of Comcast's

792,000 Internet subscribers.

Another large ExciteAtHome cable partner, Toronto-based Rogers Communications, struck a similar deal to protect its 425,000 customers while it develops its own service, though the price was not disclosed.

And Insight Communications, the nation's ninth-biggest cable operator, said it also had agreed to pay ExciteAtHome to stay on, ensuring access for its 75,000 customers. Insight will eventually shift customers to alternate Internet service providers.

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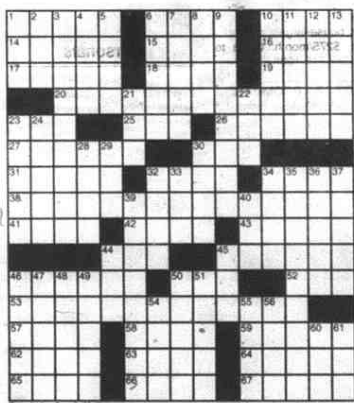
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Israelis strike Arafat's headquarters

RAMALLAH, West Bank (AP) — Israeli helicopter gunships attacked Yasser Arafat's headquarters in this West Bank town on Tuesday and three missiles hit just a few yards from the Palestinian leader's office, witnesses said. Arafat was present during the attack, but no one was injured, officials said.

Palestinian officials fled the compound in panic. Palestinian officials said Arafat did not leave the building.

The air strike came just hours after Israel's Cabinet branded Arafat's government a supporter of terrorism and singled out two organizations affiliated with the Palestinian leader as terror groups — the Tanzim militia and Force 17, a branch of the Palestinian security forces.

Israeli Prime Minister Ariel Sharon has declared an all-out "war on terror" in response to suicide bombings and shooting attacks by Islamic militants on Israelis that

killed 26 and wounded nearly 200 during the weekend.

Israel's reprisals were aimed at symbols of Arafat's rule. They effectively grounded the Palestinian leader and confined him to Ramallah.

On Monday, Israeli missiles damaged Arafat's three helicopters parked near his seaside office in the Gaza Strip. Early Tuesday, Israeli troops tore up the landing strip at Gaza International Airport.

An adviser to Sharon, speaking just before Tuesday's attack on the Arafat, said Israel was not targeting Arafat directly.

"We have stated publicly that we do not intend to harm him personally," said the adviser, Danny Ayalon. "But since he is responsible for the wave of terrorism which has been going on, we had to hit something close to him personally."

The Cabinet declaration means that Israeli officials can only meet with members of the Palestinian Authority for the purpose of

obtaining a cease-fire, Ayalon said.

Another adviser, Raanan Gissin, said the declaration was intended to step up pressure on Arafat to crack down hard on militants and prevent attacks on Israel, but was not an opening signal for a major assault on the Palestinian Authority. "We'll use all the measures at our disposal with greater frequency, with more impunity, to put pressure on Arafat to comply," Gissin said.

Ministers from the moderate Labor party left the Cabinet meeting in protest before the vote was taken. Transport Minister Ephraim Sneh hinted that Labor might quit the coalition, saying that "the unity government is important to us ... but not at every price." Labor favors rehabilitating ties with Arafat.

Israel's retaliation began Monday afternoon when helicopter gunships destroyed or damaged three helicopters in Gaza City. F-16 warplanes also bombed Palestinian security installations in the West Bank town of Jenin.

Harrison's ashes to be scattered in India

VARANASI, India (AP) — Hare Krishna followers in India prepared for the arrival of the ashes of late Beatle George Harrison, a fellow devotee whose family reportedly planned to scatter his remains in the holy Ganges River.

Officials of the International Society for Krishna Consciousness told The Associated Press that Harrison's widow, Olivia, and their 23-year-old son, Dhani were to arrive in India on Tuesday.

"There is a lot of secrecy. What I can tell you is that they haven't arrived in India," B.N. Das, a spokesman for the Krishna society in New Delhi, said Tuesday. "They are expected today. The ceremony will held today or tomorrow in Varanasi."

The family would not confirm any aspect of the reports, spokesman Gavin de Becker said in Los Angeles on Monday.

Harrison, 58, died of cancer in

Los Angeles on Thursday.

He was cremated hours after his death at Hollywood Forever Memorial Park, a cemetery worker said. He was dressed in traditional Indian robes and two of his closest friends, both Hare Krishnas, chanted quietly at his side, according to the Press Trust of India news agency.

In Harrison's hometown of Liverpool, England, more than 1,000 people attended a vigil in his memory, standing silent for a minute on Monday night as requested by Olivia Harrison.

"George was a truly gifted musician. But he was much more than that. His ideals and his love of peace inspired countless thousands," said Liverpool mayor Gerry Scott. "His loss will be deeply felt but his vision will live on."

In a tradition dating back more than 3,500 years, Hindus are cremated on riversides and their ashes immersed in holy waters.

11 killed in blaze on bus near Moscow

MOSCOW (AP) — A bus carrying merchants burst into flames near a Moscow market early Tuesday, killing 11 people and injuring two.

The fire was most likely caused by the explosion of a gas cylinder, said Yevgeny Boblyov, a spokesman for the Moscow Fire Service. The passengers were likely

using the gas canister to cook food, NTV television reported.

The driver and one other person managed to escape through the front door of the burning bus, while the others apparently ran to the back door, which did not open, Alexander Nazarov, fire chief of Moscow's eastern district, told NTV.

The chartered bus was bringing traders to Moscow's Izmailovo market from the Krasnodar region, about 750 miles south of Moscow, NTV said.

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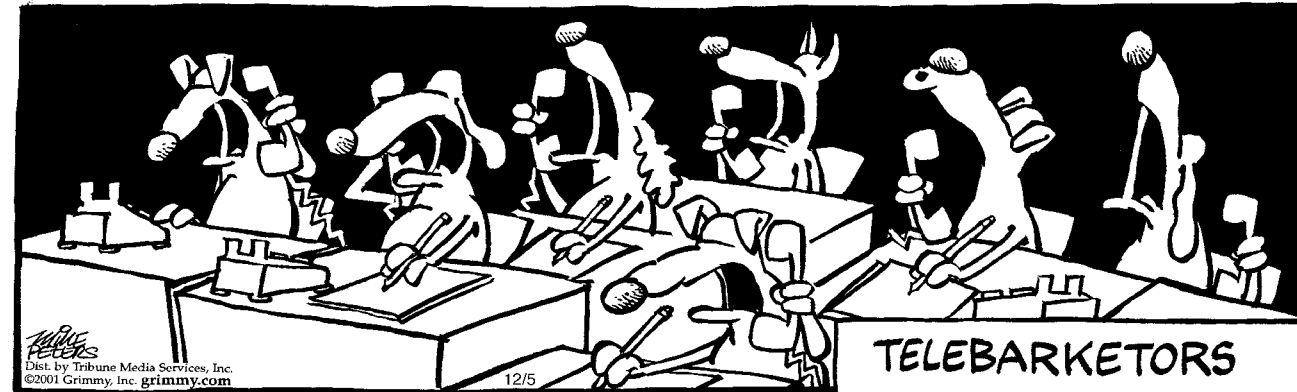
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Illini make Sugar Bowl plans

NEW ORLEANS (AP) - The Sugar Bowl wanted Illinois.

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"One reason Illinois is appealing to us, besides the fact we've secured the Big 10 champion and an exciting team, is that they have a very enthusiastic group of supporters and they are eager to see them in a bowl," Sugar Bowl executive director Paul Hoolahan said Tuesday.

Illinois' opponent, most likely Nebraska or LSU, will be announced on Sunday. LSU would

be the choice if it defeats Tennessee in Saturday's Southeastern Conference championship game.

Ticket sales when the Sugar Bowl does not host the national championship game are always a concern, Hoolahan said, and LSU would give sales a boost.

In wake of the terrorist attacks and the later date for announcing the bowl matchups, the Sugar Bowl and Orange Bowl both hoped revealing one of the opponents Tuesday would help.

"We're a week behind the whole process," Hoolahan said.

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Herrera made his first start Saturday against Augustana and has seen his minutes increase each game.

"I'm more conscious when I'm on the court now," Herrera said. "I try to control the tempo and get the ball to our shooters."

Defensively, the Panthers could find some trouble guarding Evansville's big shooters.

"It will be a challenge for us to

defend against them," Samuels said. "Our players will have to go out on them because their big kids can shoot the three."

The game could come down to who possesses the ball better and does not turn the ball over.

"That is going to be a huge key," Herrera said.

"When we get rid of our mistakes, we will be in good shape," Samuels added.

Eastern leads the all-time series against Evansville 8-5 after winning last year's meeting 91-73 at Lantz Arena.

Olympic torch reaches U.S.

ATLANTA (AP) - The Olympic torch returned to the United States Tuesday for the first time since the 1996 Summer Games, beginning a 46-state tour to the 2002 Winter Olympics in Salt Lake City.

The torch arrived before dawn at Hartsfield Atlanta International Airport from Athens, Greece, on a Delta Air Lines jumbo jet painted specifically for the occasion. Olympic gold medalists Nikki Stone and Bonnie Blair delivered the torch.

"This is a proud, proud day," Delta chairman Leo Mullin said. "Great things are going to happen from now on."

The torch relay — averaging 416 miles per day — will visit 80 American cities, with about 11,500 people carrying it more than 13,500 miles before its arrival in Utah for the Feb. 8 opening ceremony.

Minnesota, North Dakota, South Dakota and Hawaii are the only states not on the torch route.

Among the torch bearers will be Lyz Glick, the wife of Jeremy Glick, one of the passengers aboard United Flight 93, which crashed Sept. 11 in Pennsylvania after passengers apparently struggled with hijackers. Glick is scheduled to carry the torch Dec. 23 in New York City.

"The torch relay will hold a

unique significance for all of us in the United States and around the world, and because of September 11th, new significance," said Caroline Shaw, a spokeswoman for the Salt Lake City organizers.

The 3-pound torch was designed by Sam Shelton, a professor of mechanical engineering at Georgia Tech, who also designed the 1996 Summer Olympics' torch. It has a glass crown designed to simulate ice, with the flame emanating from deep within.

It was constructed to withstand weather ranging from minus 40 degrees to 80 degrees, including gusty wind and heavy rain, Shelton said.

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Heimann said when she was a freshman, she was scared to make a mistake. But she got over it by playing in some big matches and encouragement from her teammates.

"Sometimes you think the seniors are thinking of you, 'you

suck, come on,'" Heimann said. "But I kept talking to (Erica), because I know I needed it as a freshman."

The six seniors who will leave the squad after this season have made a great impact on the program at Eastern.

They accomplished almost every goal they made for themselves this year and put into their blue goal bucket. But their greatest impact on the volleyball program may not be

discovered until long after they leave.

Will the seniors of next year — Karen Liss and Jennifer Fisher — play like the leaders this year's seniors were? Or will they play scared when put under pressure?

The fear and intimidation factor will be high, but to return to the NCAA Tournament again, next year's leaders must rise above it.

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Curing Arizona phobia

Some have arachnophobia, others are afraid of heights, leery of black cats or the number 13. Last Friday, Eastern freshman Erica Gerth had Arizona phobia.

"I was scared to death for almost the whole game," said Gerth, an outside hitter on Eastern's volleyball team.

Fear was a common emotion on the court from some of the Panthers' youngest players in their first round match with a bigger, faster Arizona team. In other words, a team so good, it's scary.

After losing six seniors to graduation after this season, the Panthers will be a young squad next year. Does that mean they'll play scared all year?

Ask any psychologist or counselor and they'll say the only way to get over fears is to confront them.

If a prescription could be written for each young team, or young players on a team to play in a match of great significance, it would be done. But only Eastern received doctor's orders with an Ohio Valley Conference Tournament win.

Gerth could have been called fearless throughout the regular season. She put fear into the hearts of opponents quickly as she was named the OVC's freshman of the week in the first week of the season.

She led the team in kills, and was a major part of Eastern's balanced attack throughout the season that led the squad to Eastern's first-ever trip to the NCAA Volleyball Tournament.

Gerth had no logical reason to be afraid, but she wasn't alone.

"I think there were a lot of nerves there," senior outside hitter Amy Heimann said of playing in the NCAA tourney game in the University of Illinois' Huff Hall. She didn't count herself among those who were nervous.

Instead, Heimann made the most of her last collegiate volleyball match and led the team in digs. She had no fear.

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Football Season Wrap-up

As disappointment lingers ...



Sara Figiel/ Staff photographer

Junior Clint Alexander chases down UNI junior wide receiver Ben Sanderson in Saturday's 49-43 loss at O'Brien Stadium. Eastern now moves into the off-season while Northern Iowa prepares to host Maine in the quarterfinal round of the NCAA Division I-AA playoffs.

Football team still emotional after UNI loss

By Kristin Rojek
Sports editor

The football players have moved into the weightroom and the coaches have started recruitment, but the memory of Saturday's first-round playoff loss to Northern Iowa still lingers throughout the team.

"The disappointment is greater the more I think about it," head coach Bob Spoo said. "I watched (the tape) and it only adds to the disappointment. It takes team effort, and all 11 guys out there, to put it together. That two percent is the difference that we didn't accomplish. It's a matter of executing."

The 9-1 season was sparked by a win at Indiana State, highlighted by a win against Tennessee State, and topped off by an Ohio Valley Conference crown for the team's second consecutive trip to the NCAA playoffs.

While the 'L' will forever be next to the Northern Iowa game, the memory will slowly fade into the off-season and into another year.

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Three games down, three more to go

By Matt Williams
Staff writer

The men's basketball team carries a three-game winning streak to Roberts Stadium at the University of Evansville today.

After taking wins from Hartford, Indiana State and Augustana, the Panthers continue their quest for six consecutive wins before facing Oklahoma and Ohio State.

The Panthers (4-3), play their first road game since facing Illinois Nov. 19, but were in Las Vegas at a neutral site over the Thanksgiving break. The Purple Aces will take the home court advantage, coming in with a 2-3 record.

Evansville is coming off of a win over the University of Miami (Ohio) on Monday night where they saw the return of senior guard Adam Seitz and senior forward/center Chuck Hedde.

Hedde had been sidelined with a broken jaw while Seitz suffered a broken right hand in a scrimmage against Indiana University-Purdue University at Indianapolis Nov. 3.

Eastern head coach Rick Samuels predicts Evansville to be a different team with the return of

Seitz and Hedde to the lineup.

"They are potentially a lot better with them out there," Samuels said. "Seitz is a very versatile player. He can shoot the three, he can drive and he can defend."

Seitz was second on the team last season with 11.5 points per game and currently averages 14 points per game to lead the team.

The Purple Aces are also led by junior Ian Havanan. The 6-foot-6-inch forward has averaged 14 points per game while shooting 64 percent from the field after five games.

Samuels feels the teams are closely matched and knows Eastern has a tough task ahead of them.

"It's our first real road game since Illinois because we had neutral sites for the Las Vegas Tournament," Samuels said. "(Evansville) is a difficult place to play at."

Samuels said the key of the game will be to get a good flow offensively and have good use of every possession. This could be determined by the play of sophomore guard Chris Herrera.



Amanda Douglass/ Staff photographer

Junior guard J.R. Reynolds takes a shot over an Augustana opponent Dec. 1 in Lantz Arena. Eastern takes on Evansville tonight.

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