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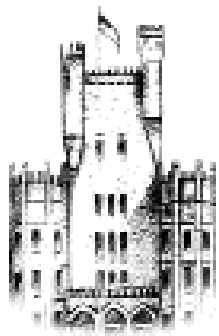
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BOT to lease two buildings for Fine Arts move

By Erica Foltz
News Editor

The Eastern Board of Trustees unanimously voted Wednesday to lease two buildings to house the art and theater departments during the renovation and expansion of the current Doudna Fine Arts Center.

The former Wilb Walker's East building on 18th Street will house the theater department while the former IGA/Max Market building in West Park Plaza will be home to the art department.

The buildings will be leased until Aug. 31, 2005 while construction is being done and will then be leased on a monthly need basis until the project is complete after Aug. 31.

The university will pay a total cost of \$487,994 to rent the buildings as well as \$412,159 for renovations to be done to the buildings.

Also at the meeting, bids totaling \$5.6 million were accepted for general and specialized contractors for the construction of the new Human Services Building to be built between Klehm and Thomas halls where a parking lot is currently located.

Hannig Construction of Terre Haute, Ind. won the general con-

struction bid and will be paid \$3.5 million for their services. Bodine Electric of Decatur will handle all electrical work and TA Brinkoetter & Sons will take care of plumbing and heating for the building. Industrial Roofing of Mattoon will handle ventilation and FJ Murphy & Sons will take care of the fire protection system.

The new Human Services Building will be two stories and will house clinical services, the communications disorders and sciences department, career services, and the counseling center.

The BOT also voted for procurement card services to be provided by JP Morgan Chase of Salt Lake City, Utah. The procurement cards will make it possible for the university to make one payment each month instead of hundreds of payments to different vendors used by the university.

A vote was also passed for the hiring of Freeman United Coal Mining to supply up to about 21,5000 tons of coal to the heating plant as well as back-hauling waste, Storage Technology of Poplar Grove to purchase and install a virtual disk array, and Levi, Ray & Shoup of Springfield to purchase and install a new enterprise server for the university.



Geoff Wagner/ Photo editor

Thank you, just booking around

Erika Atwood, an Eastern alumna from Carbondale and Levi Woollen, an English graduate student, browse through a selection of books at the Pensees Bookshop Tuesday during its first day open. The bookshop, located at 501 Seventh St., specializes in used books and hopes to have a grand opening sometime next week.

Extraordinary security clampdown for burial of Afghan vice president

JALALABAD, Afghanistan (AP) — Vice President Abdul Qadir was buried Sunday with full military honors a day after he was gunned down in an attack that Afghans fear may bring new instability to a nation struggling to build peace after decades of war.

An estimated 10,000 people followed Qadir's body as it was transported on a gun-carriage from Jalalabad's White Mosque to Amir Shaheed Gardens in the city center. Afghan troops in full uniform marched in the procession.

As the body, wrapped in a green, red and black Afghan flag, was lowered into the grave, a Pashto-language poem read over a loudspeaker hailed Qadir as "a unique man" and "a hero of Afghanistan." Seven shots were fired into the air, and mourners wept and chanted his name.

Qadir, who also served as minister of public works and governor of Nangarhar province, died Saturday in a hail of bullets after two gunmen opened fire on his vehicle as it was leaving his office in Kabul. His driver, who was also a son-in-law, was killed too but the gunmen escaped.

Afghan President Hamid Karzai

will call for foreign help in cracking the case if local authorities are unable to make progress in their own investigation, Afghan television reported Sunday.

State-run television said two men had been detained for questioning after they were stopped at a Kabul checkpoint in a car similar to the one used by the killers for their getaway.

Qadir's body was flown here to the Nangarhar capital from Kabul aboard a helicopter provided by the international peacekeeping force following a prayer service attended by Karzai and thousands of mourners.

No one claimed responsibility for the attack. Turkish Army Col. Samet Oz, spokesman for the 5,000-strong international peacekeeping force in Kabul, described the killing as "an individual attack designed to destabilize the transitional government."

Qadir was the most prominent ethnic Pashtun in the government after Karzai himself, and his assassination threatens to stir unrest here in Nangarhar province, a relatively wealthy trading and opium poppy-growing region that borders Pakistan.

Instability in such a key region could complicate efforts by the

Karzai government to extend its authority beyond Kabul. Qadir was one of five presidents appointed during last month's grand council, or loya jirga, to bring ethnic balance into a government that had been dominated by ethnic Tajiks.

In Washington, U.S. lawmakers said Qadir's assassination should compel the United States to consider an active role in providing security. U.S. operations have been directed at pursuing Taliban and al-Qaida fugitives rather than peacekeeping.

"This was definitely a throwback to the old Afghanistan and a setback to the establishment of the new Afghanistan," said Sen. Bob Graham, chairman of the Senate Intelligence Committee, on NBC's "Meet the Press."

During a speech to the mourners, Afghan Chief Justice Fazle Hadi Shinwari promised the government was doing everything possible to find the killers and he urged people to remain calm.

"This is a test for the people of Afghanistan, of Nangarhar," Shinwari told mourners here. "They should be aware of this and pass this

test."

Qadir was a controversial figure in Afghan politics for nearly 25 years, and residents said a number of groups could have been responsible for his death. As Nangarhar's governor before the Taliban took power, Qadir welcomed Osama bin Laden to Afghanistan in 1996. Later, he joined the opposition northern alliance, which overran Kabul in November after the Taliban fled intensive U.S. bombing.

"We are very upset over the killing of Haji Qadir," said one of the mourners, Gul Badshas. "It's a conspiracy against the Afghans because when we are closer to peace and stability in Afghanistan, this incident happened."

Throughout the day, armed police manned checkpoints on all approaches to Jalalabad and roamed the largely deserted streets. Most merchants closed their stores although Sunday is a business day.

After arriving at this city's airport, Qadir's coffin, draped in a green, black and red Afghan national flag and sprinkled with red and white

roses, was placed on a gun-carriage and driven past thousands of mourners lining the three-mile route to his family home. From there, the body was taken to the White Mosque for final prayers.

Dozens of armed security troops stood guard at the Qadir family home as mourners paid their respects. One man was arrested Sunday morning in front of the White Mosque carrying a small amount of explosives, security chief Ajab Shah said. The man was being questioned and the explosives were being analyzed.

The ceremonies earlier in Kabul were held at the Eid Gah mosque in the old city. Hundreds of Afghan and international troops cordoned off the area, and peacekeeper helicopters hovered overhead.

"This is a tragedy for my family," said Din Mohammed, an elder brother. "I don't know whom to blame."

Mourners included veterans of the 1980s war against Soviet invaders. Qadir served as a commander.

"We are so sad. This is a big loss and it is a big loss for all of Afghanistan," said Haji Saki, a former guerrilla fighter with Qadir. "Whoever did this must pay."

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Quebec forest fires blanket north-eastern United States with smoke

MONTREAL (AP) — Firefighters battled dozens of raging forest fires in Quebec on Sunday, as smoke and haze from the blazes blanketed the northeastern United States and stretched as far south as Washington, D.C.

At least 85 fires — 10 of them out of control — were burning Sunday, the Quebec forest fire protection service said. They have destroyed more than 250,000 acres of forest.

With no rain expected before Thursday, the fires will likely grow, the service's spokesman, Eric Santerre, said.

Lightning and dry conditions sparked the fires that have been burning since July 2 in two separate regions southeast of James Bay between 200 and 400 miles north of the U.S. border.

More than 500 firefighters — some in planes dropping water — worked to control 45 fires in a region above Lake St. Jean about 150 miles north of Quebec City,

Santerre said.

"For part of them we are doing nothing for now because they are too big," he said. "These are really big fires. We are using firebreaks, sprinklers, hoses and motorized pumps."

In the Nemiscau region south of James Bay, about 40 fires were burning. Some 75 firefighters dug firebreaks and poured water on the flames, but dense smoke prevented use of aircraft to drop water.

The fires in Nemiscau have led to the evacuation of two Cree Indian villages, Nemaska and Chisasibi.

Propelled by strong winds from the north, the fires have created a plume of smoke and haze stretching from Michigan to Massachusetts visible as far south as Washington, D.C., U.S. meteorologists said Sunday.

Downtown Baltimore experienced haze and a smoky smell Sunday, said meteorologist Dewey Walston of the Sterling,

Va., office.

The Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection advised residents of 20 counties, especially those with respiratory conditions, to stay indoors until Monday afternoon.

Rising to 10,000 feet, the plume of smoke blanketed Montreal and reached New York City.

"All of our major airports are reporting smoke and haze and visibility restrictions of two miles," said David Wally of the National Weather Service in New York City.

Wally said the plume probably will shift north and east by Monday morning, moving off the New England coast.

The smoke had moved from north-central Pennsylvania to the southeastern part of the state by Sunday afternoon, said Peter Jung, a National Weather Service meteorologist in State College, Pa.

President attends church, says pledge, then goes fishing

KENNEBUNKPORT, Maine (AP) — President Bush sang hymns, recited the Pledge of Allegiance and then ducked out of church just after Communion on Sunday to squeeze in a last fishing trip.

The president — returning to Washington on Monday — joined his father and daughter Jenna aboard former President Bush's speed boat, Fidelity II, with just enough time for the two George Bushes to change out of their Sunday best.

Father and son attended

morning services at the ocean-side St. Ann's Episcopal Church with first lady Laura Bush, former first lady Barbara Bush and other family members who spent the weekend at the Bush compound on Walker's Point.

At midservice, Chaplain M.L. Agnew Jr. departed from the regular program and asked the congregation to stand and say the Pledge of Allegiance. It has become somewhat of a fixture of Bush's public appearances since its phrase "under God" was ruled unconstitutional by a federal

appeals court last month.

The president did not stick around for the closing hymn, "America the Beautiful." Before communion, Agnew explained that Bush would take the bread and wine and then leave because he did not want himself and his family in the front pew to be a distraction to the sacrament.

"It's not that they don't love you," Agnew said.

Rt. Rev. Chilton R. Knudsen, the Episcopal bishop of Maine, opened her homily —

on the theme of God's message "you are my beloved child" — by noting that the president's 56th birthday was Saturday.

"However many years we are carrying on our frames, we all are babes" in the eyes of the Father, she preached.

At the White House on Monday, Bush planned to attend a Medal of Honor ceremony and finish work on the speech he gives Tuesday on Wall Street to address the scandals in corporate America and try to blunt their effect on the economy.

Flooding forces more evacuations in already devastated southern Texas counties

NEW BRAUNFELS, Texas (AP) — From the air Sunday, Gov. Rick Perry saw firsthand the devastation days of torrential rain have brought to central Texas: houses surrounded by a sea of roiling, muddy water, uprooted trees and overturned vehicles.

And the bad news just kept coming. Floodwater that devastated the San Antonio area spilled into even more houses Sunday as it flowed toward the Gulf of Mexico.

"The devastation is extensive," the governor said after his helicopter tour. "Obviously when the water goes down we're going to see the impact on residential property is going to be substantial."

About 160 miles to the north, residents of Brownwood frantically piled sandbags around homes and businesses as water rushed through downtown. Lake Brownwood was 7.65 feet above its spillway Sunday and was expected to crest overnight a foot or more higher.

The governor said Sunday the death toll from the week of flooding had risen to 12, up from eight.

The flooding has been blamed for tens of millions of dollars in property damage. In some places, rivers have crested as high as 28 feet above flood stage.

Perry said he would seek federal aid for 17 counties. President Bush has already declared 13 Texas counties federal disaster areas.

Also Sunday, forecasters said the first tropical depression of the season could be forming in the Gulf of Mexico with the potential for additional rain in Texas.

Severe flooding hit the Abilene area, following a surprise storm that dumped a foot of rain Saturday. Most evacuees began returning to waterlogged homes Sunday.

In south-central Texas, where more than 30 inches of rain fell in places last week, water levels were dropping in the Hill Country and San Antonio on Sunday.

In areas where evacuees were returning, the overflowing rivers were still a threat, said William Ayres, a spokesman for the Texas Division of Emergency

Management in Austin.

"It's still a very dangerous situation," Ayres said Sunday.

Steve Dean returned to his house on the bank of the Guadalupe River in New Braunfels on Sunday, and to his surprise found only a little water on the floor. The house stands on reinforced stilts rising from the foundation of a house destroyed by the record flood of 1998.

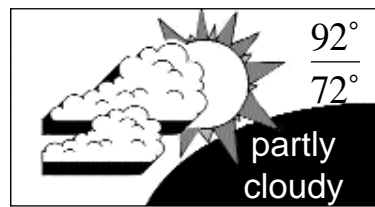
"It's not as bad as what we thought," said Dean, whose neighbors' homes were carried away by the river on Friday and Saturday. "I thought when the water started getting up higher, it would take (the house) off those concrete columns."

The Guadalupe and other rivers originating in the Hill Country were flooding cities and croplands across a low-lying coastal plain leading to the Gulf of Mexico on Sunday.

Large numbers of cattle were believed to be isolated or drowned along the San Antonio River, which was expected to crest 30 feet above

Campus forecast

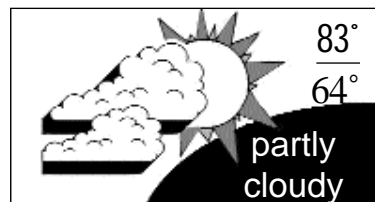
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Food warehouses under attack by feds, rodents

CHICAGO (AP) — On the city's South Side is a six-story brick warehouse. Behind its walls are 14 million pounds of meat and poultry, and several million pounds of butter, fish, nuts and other food.

And it is home to some very well-fed rats.

It's the rats — determined creatures that apparently swam into LaGrou Cold Storage from the sewer — that led authorities to put a legal padlock on the door last week and raised the real possibility that all that food would be destroyed.

The food is now in limbo. The U.S. Department of Agriculture is waiting to see if dozens of companies with meat stored there can come up with a proposal to prove to the agency that at least some of the meat remains safe to eat. Meanwhile, federal officials have asked a judge to condemn the rest of the food.

Such a massive lockup is unusual. USDA spokesman Steven Cohen said nobody in his office can recall more meat being "detained." At the same time,

though, it is just another chapter in the ongoing war to protect meat and other food.

Last year, a Chicago wholesale food distributor and its chief executive pleaded guilty to federal charges stemming from the discovery of more than 61,000 pounds of rat-infested poultry products.

The charges came after an inspection of Hop Kee Inc. revealed, among other things, more than 50 live rats and several dead ones. There was evidence that some had enjoyed some meat in the freezer.

The presence of rats almost always signals other problems, and that was the case at Hop Kee. Along with the rats, inspectors found dead birds and "live and dead cockroaches in the bean wash room and bean incubator room, including inside pails of soaking beans..." according to a press release issued by Patrick Fitzgerald, the

United States Attorney for the northern district of Illinois.

In 2000, a USDA compliance officer described conditions at Helmos Food Products in Chicago as the worst he'd ever seen. The officer told of live mice and rodent droppings covering a pallet of meat. Officials ended up destroying about 100,000 pounds of food. Theodoros Mantas, the owner, was convicted of federal charges related to storing and distributing rodent-infested products.

Mantas appealed, arguing that the meat was so rotten that no one could possibly believe that he intended to sell it. His appeal was rejected.

Sen. Dick Durbin, D-Illinois, a longtime critic of the uneven way food is inspected in this country, said one reason for the kind of situation uncovered at LaRou is that there are too many agencies involved.

"The system is so bureaucratic it is a miracle our food supply is safe," said Durbin. "We do daily inspections of meat processors, but that's not

the case with other food products." And, as the LaGrou incident illustrates, it is not the case with the storage of unprocessed meat, Durbin said.

Nowhere is the battle to protect food waged more openly and with more enthusiasm than in Chicago. In the city that once was Hog Butcher to the World, that means taking control of the vast network of alleys, where people leave their garbage.

This is important because if the city can keep the alleys clean, there will be nothing to attract vermin. And if the vermin aren't hanging around the alleys behind restaurants and warehouses, the theory goes, they won't be trying to get inside, where the real food is.

A major focus of the city's efforts is on its rats. Since the 1970s, when an estimated 6 million rats called Chicago home, the city has gone on a rat killing spree. Today, there are only about a half million rats in Chicago, said Al Sanchez, who heads the city's streets and sani-

tation department.

A big reason is the city's aggressive efforts to cut off the rats' food supply. "If you get rid of their food, they'll die," said Sanchez.

To that end, the city has moved to get rid of oil drums that once were widely used as garbage cans in favor of dumpsters with lids.

The city has a team of rat assassins who hunt and kill rats. That means trapping, poisoning and even smoking them out of their homes and clubbing them to death with shovels if they show themselves.

There also is Mayor Richard M. Daley's Dumpster Task Force, a team whose job it is to patrol the streets to make sure the dumpsters are being used properly and there's nothing laying around that would prompt rats, bugs or any scavengers looking for a food source to set up shop. The team has 10 members. Eleven if you count Daley.

"He was on his bicycle once," Sanchez said. "He came across a dead rodent and made a call."

Trial to begin for couple accused of planning bombing to start 'racial holy war'

BOSTON (AP) — Police thought they had stumbled onto a simple counterfeiting case when an off-duty officer noticed a young woman passing a phony \$20 to a Dunkin' Donuts cashier.

But authorities say they discovered a deeper plot: The counterfeiting was being used to fund plans to blow up Jewish or black landmarks in Boston.

Now a couple described by prosecutors as white supremacists are to go on trial Monday on federal charges they planned a bombing to ignite "a racial holy war."

Leo Felton, the son of civil rights activists, and Erica Chase, his pen pal while he was in prison, were arrested in April 2001 on counterfeiting charges.

Then police searched their apartment and found the bomb-making materials, including a 50-pound bag of ammonium nitrate — the same type of fertilizer used by Oklahoma City bomber Timothy McVeigh.

Authorities also found books on terrorism, including one describing how to kill people with nerve gas and other poisons, newspaper clippings of a upcoming ceremony at the New England Holocaust Memorial and photos of a bridge named after a late Jewish leader.

While prosecutors say they do not know an exact target, they said in court papers that the goal of the plot was to "blow up some structure, building, property or memorial associated with Jewish- and/or African-Americans, thereby advancing the defendants' anti-Semitic and white-supremacist goals and igniting a 'racial holy war.'"

Felton and Chase have both pleaded innocent to charges of conspiracy, making counterfeit bills, obstruction of justice, firearms and explosives violations. Felton is also charged with bank robbery and conspiracy to commit bank robbery and could get life in prison if convicted. Chase faces a max-

imum of 35 years.

Chase told investigators she and Felton never intended to blow up any target but were collecting materials to build a bomb they could detonate on a beach for "entertainment."

"These were not any kind of terrorist plans in any way at all," she said, according to court documents.

Felton's lawyer, Lenore Glaser, said there is no evidence that Felton and Chase planned to bomb an ethnic target.

Assistant U.S. Attorney Theodore Merritt declined to be interviewed.

Felton, 31, was born in Silver Springs, Md., the son of a white mother and a black father who were civil rights activists. After his parents divorced, he lived with his mother and her female partner.

He became involved in white supremacist groups while in a New Jersey prison, where he served a three- to nine-year sentence for attempted mur-

der in the beating of a black taxi driver. Prosecutors allege he is a member of the White Order of Thule.

In a letter to a Boston newspaper, Felton blamed his parents and their interracial marriage for his troubles. He said the commingling of black and white blood was "evil."

The 6-foot-7 Felton sports an assortment of racist tattoos and the words "Skin" and "Head" tattooed on his shaved head.

Chase, 22, knew Felton's cellmate and began writing to Felton in prison in April 2000.

After his release, Felton lived briefly with a woman he had married in 1993 while he was in prison. Prosecutors say he began buying books on how to conduct terrorist actions, assume a new identity, and make explosives.

Three months later, he moved to Boston to live with Chase.

Chase, who graduated

from Nauset High School on Cape Cod, had returned to Massachusetts from Indiana using counterfeit money Felton allegedly made on his computer.

She met Felton for the first time in person in April 2001. Ten days later, they were arrested after Chase tried to pass the counterfeit \$20.


Glaser, Felton's lawyer, said she is concerned that the prosecutors' emphasis on Felton's alleged ties to white supremacists and the public's fear of terrorism could sway the jury.

"It labels them in extreme ways which then might make a jury skip over the evidence and make decisions based on emotion or prejudice or preconceived ideas," she said.

Robert Leikind, director of the Anti-Defamation League, said news of the alleged plot frightened the Jewish community.


"We shouldn't underestimate the seriousness of the charges," he said. "These are profoundly serious charges."

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Shuttles don't replace walks

July 4, is great for relaxing and getting together with family, but celebrations should be safe. Communities have the responsibility to provide safe entertainment in a memorable environment. One thing everyone appreciates is a short distance to travel. Let's face it, July 4, is a dangerous time for travel. On any Holiday, alcohol and driving become a factor when traveling.

Fireworks should be local

Nothing can compare to the communal experience of a local show

Anybody traveling outside their community already accepts the risks associated with holiday travel. But when the community you live in forces you to travel, residents

need to voice their concerns to town representatives.

The July 4, fireworks used to be held here on Eastern's campus. Community members enjoyed what many have recalled as a great production and convenient, communal event.

A local business owner described the July 4, celebration as a time when the whole town of Charleston would come together, spread out blankets, open lawn chairs, and be part of the community.

Since Mattoon and Charleston pooled their funds to put on the July 4, show a few years ago, residents have been forced to travel to the Coles County Memorial airport in Mattoon.

Many have said the show is better, but travel remains a common concern of for residents of both towns.

Shuttle buses are provided and run fairly regularly, but perhaps more need to be commissioned to provide the same convenience once enjoyed in the local fireworks shows.

No celebration brings together a community quite like July 4, fireworks shows. It is positive to bring together two towns as closely related as Mattoon and Charleston.

The little things like nice summer walks to the local show and children lighting pre-show sparklers are aspect the airport show lacks.

The community and its decision makers need to decide whether the more elaborate show compensates for the loss of a once-intimate summer community event.

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

Today's quote

“If peace cannot be maintained with honor, it is no longer peace.”

Lord John Russell,
1792- 1878

Sept. 11, 2001 represents a watershed in the history of our nation. The sole surviving super power was attacked by a handful of terrorists who, in the name of their religion wanted to settle their perceived grievances against U.S. policies in the Middle East.

Little did they realize the attack on the World Trade Center and the Pentagon would change the political landscape forever; not only in the United States, but over the but over the world.

The attacks awakened the nation from its self imposed stupor and false sense of security.

In one respect, the US embarked upon a concerted effort to immediately and forcefully respond to the challenge of asymmetrical, unconventional warfare launched by the terrorists.

In another respect, a serious effort was launched to improve internal security through a massive restructuring of governmental institutions responsible for global and domestic intelligence and homeland security against similar sneak attacks utilizing weapons of mass destruction.

It has been evident that the campaign against international terrorism will be a complex, time consuming affair.

The events of Sept. 11 have increased our interest in our knowledge about Islam and Muslims as the US embarks upon these immediate and long-term measures to punish the terrorists and enhance homeland security.

President Bush made it clear at the very outset that the international terrorists do not represent Islam or the majority of Muslims.

The fanatical fringe of fundamentalists the terrorists represent cannot and will not be allowed to hijack the religion representing one-sixth of humanity.

While the political ends of the terrorists may include starting a religious war among civilizations, the civilized world must stay on guard against such an eventuality. It is therefore necessary that we go beyond the stereotypical and superficial media portrayal of Islam, both as a religion and a cultural force.

Add an arm to the body politic

By Aaron Rury-Daily Illini

The last time a third-party candidate ran for a congressional office in the 15th district was 1914. His name was Ira C. Copley and he ran as a candidate for the Progressive Party.

Copley ran on a radical platform of women's suffrage, prohibition of child labor and a 40-hour workweek. The election was a landslide in favor of a "republicrat" (republican or democrat) candidate.

No one believed any of the issues Copley put forth could be resolved in the manner he proposed. They were just too radical, too unrealistic and too idealistic. All parts of his platform have now become realized in our country, some of them very shortly after the 1914 election.

This November, the local Green Party hopes to have a third-party candidate running for this same congressional office.

The Greens are resting their hopes for winning on a statement that the candidate, Carl Estabrook, brings up as much as possible.

Estabrook says, "republicrats" only speak to 20 percent of the American populace and the other 80 percent can be spoken for by third-party concerns.



Mahmood Butt
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"There is a great need for the scholarly study of Islam in our universities throughout the country."

It is in our long-term national interest to refine our understanding of Islam, not only because of our global geopolitical commitments, but because Islam is the most rapidly expanding religion in the country.

The six-million plus Muslims who are citizens of the United States are by-and-large as patriotic and law abiding residents as others.

They represent, as well as hope for, reinvigorating the pristine purity of Islam as a religion of peace and brotherly love among all mankind. Muslims of North America have come from a variety of national and ethnic backgrounds. Backgrounds tied together by a common faith demanding deliberate and disciplined creation and sustenance of a righteous social order which recognizes the fundamental human rights of all.

American Muslims are committed to this vision of peace and harmony—in stark contrast to the misguided ones who are bent on sowing the seeds of discord and destruction.

There is a great need for the scholarly study of Islam in our universities throughout the country. Such study will lead to unbiased and objective engagement with the scholarly literature, produced over 14 centuries, on which Islamic faith, ideology, jurisprudence and concept of community is based.

Such an in-depth study can lead to the development of a common Judeo, Christian and Islamic tradition on which these three divinely inspired, monotheistic religions are based. It is a great need of the hour to add this scholarly effort as another way to fight the terrorists within and abroad.

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Guest View

University Columnists

If the "republicrats" are the solid and established parties they present themselves as, then how can they be flexible to everyone's needs? They must have solid platforms that define the ideals of the party and draw other believers in to have a voter block.

Alternative parties push "established" parties to pass legislation that might not get passed otherwise by cutting into those parties' voting block. They open the eyes of many blind Americans on issues that are never talked about in mainstream, "republicrat"-dominated media like ending the war on drugs, environmental concerns and women's issues extending past just whether someone is pro-life or pro-choice.

The most important contribution of third parties, however, is giving a voice to those who have felt they had none. They give options to voters who don't follow the same platforms and ideology of the "republicrats."

Imagine this scenario: You are asked what your favorite color of the rainbow is, but you are only allowed to choose from blue, red and yellow. It doesn't seem fair to have to choose from only this pool. Maybe it's a hue of one of these colors that speaks to you, like sky blue, or a combination like black.

What do you do? You have very lit-

tle room to be an individual which is similar to our country's political situation.

Should we expect someone who likes forest green to vote blue or yellow or not at all? Who are we to say who can and can't be voted for? Forest green should be on the ballot. The beauty of this country is that we can believe whatever we want, but the problem is we can't always exercise those beliefs in our politics.

The obvious rebuttal to this argument is saying a large number of political parties will divide the country to a point where the government cannot operate on its necessary level. This implies that not everyone is going to get exactly what she or he wants out of his or her politicians.

Some might even argue this an inherent part of life — you don't always get what you want. This argument, however, is problematic in this context. The argument is right in saying too many political parties would make running the country problematic, but does not point to two parties as the optimal political system.

It points out a balance in the amount of political parties. Not too many, but not too few. No single taste in color is better than any other. Red, white and blue all carry the same value. It's important to remember this with our politics. All colors are useful in the proper context and the same goes for politics. This November, remember forest green.

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U.S. needs new approach to AIDS epidemic

BARCELONA, Spain (AP) — The United States must revive the passion it once had for tackling the AIDS epidemic, otherwise infection rates could start climbing again, the U.S. AIDS prevention chief said Sunday.

U.S. AIDS cases and HIV infections have remained fairly stable since 1998 at about 10,000 new infections every three months, but that overall stability may mask reported increases in HIV infections among heterosexuals, said Dr. Ronald Valdiserri, deputy director of the National Center for HIV, STD and TB Prevention at the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

About 1 million Americans are infected with HIV, which causes AIDS.

The lack of additional progress against the virus likely stems from several factors, including the large number of infected people who either do not know they have the virus or are not getting treatment.

"Today's epidemic is very different from the one we faced a decade

ago. The populations at risk, the attitudes about infection and the science of HIV have all changed. And so must our prevention efforts," said Valdiserri, who presented new research at the International AIDS Conference in Barcelona.

More than 15,000 people from around the world have gathered here for the weeklong 14th International AIDS Conference, looking for solutions to an epidemic infecting 40 million people worldwide, more than half of them in Africa.

Dr. Peter Piot, executive director of the U.N. AIDS program, said Sunday there was no indication the epidemic is leveling off worldwide, and strategies known to prevent its spread still are grossly underused.

Scientific discoveries in HIV and AIDS also seem to be merely incremental, experts said. New drugs that do the same thing — but slightly better — are emerging, but there's no vaccine or blockbuster treatment around the corner.

Making more progress against HIV will require getting more peo-

ple tested and treated early in their infection, and developing drugs that work better and are simpler to take, Valdiserri and other experts said.

However, the ultimate goal is to prevent infections from occurring in the first place.

Valdiserri presented research on new HIV infections in 25 states to provide a snapshot of the situation in the United States. There is no national HIV surveillance program, so complete nationwide figures do not exist.

The 25 states exclude California, New York and Florida and account for only one quarter of the HIV infections nationwide, he said.

Because 13- to 24-year-olds are more likely to have been recently infected, trends in this age group are a more accurate indicator of recent HIV infection patterns, Valdiserri said. Diagnoses among that group remained somewhat stable throughout 1994 to 2000.

"This seeming stability may not tell the whole story," Valdiserri said.

When the researchers examined

the statistics by risk group instead of age group, a different picture emerged.

"There have been slow but steady increases among heterosexuals, with diagnoses increasing 10 percent between 1998 and 2000," he said.

The majority of those infections — 75 percent — were in black Americans, with black women accounting for almost half the cases among heterosexuals between 1994 and 2000.

While Latin Americans account for a low proportion of HIV cases in the 25 states studied, at a national level they are disproportionately affected.

The first step to making progress now is to recognize that the HIV epidemic is different today than it used to be, Valdiserri said.

There is a growing group of people infected with HIV who face a lifetime of maintaining safe sexual practices. Those people are living longer, healthier lives thanks to new treatments, and they continue having sex.

Valdiserri said research suggests

that almost 70 percent of people recently diagnosed with HIV report being sexually active within the last year. Between 57 and 75 percent said they used a condom the last time they had sex.

For those without the disease, the growing pool of HIV infections means a greater chance of becoming infected and an even greater need to protect themselves, Valdiserri said.

"Americans ... don't have the same sense of urgency or crisis which characterized the early years of the epidemic," Valdiserri said. "Some are becoming bored with HIV after 20 years, some are simply tired of the messages and behavior change. And many didn't realize they were signing on for a lifetime of condom use."

Many people speak of complacency now that HIV is treatable, and some even are skeptical that further progress can be made in the United States, Valdiserri said.

"We can't sit back and wait for a vaccine. Instead, we must renew HIV prevention in the United States," he said.

Friends mourn deaths of victims in shooting at Los Angeles airport

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Friends and relatives gathered Sunday to mourn the two people killed in the July 4 shooting at the El Al ticket counter at Los Angeles International Airport, which was condemned by some as an act of terrorism.

The FBI says it still doesn't know why Hesham Mohamed Hadayet targeted the ticket area of Israel's national airline, where he gunned down Yaakov Aminov, a 46-year-old diamond jeweler, and Victoria Hen, 25, who worked behind the El Al counter.

Aminov, a father of eight with another child on the way, was remembered Sunday as a selfless man dedicated to family and faith.

"This morning we say our final shalom to Yaakov, a man who valued Jewish tradition beyond all else," Rabbi David

Adatto told hundreds of mourners outside the storefront Orthodox synagogue that Aminov helped found in San Fernando Valley.

"He was my best friend, a true soul mate," said Michael Shabtai, the friend Aminov had taken to the airport on the Fourth of July.

After the service, Aminov's remains were taken to the airport where they were to be flown to Israel for burial on Monday.

Mourners gathered in the Mission Hills section of the San Fernando Valley to pay their respects to Hen.

"She was one big smile. A loving person. She loved children, all she wanted to was settle down and have children," family friend Joe Knoller said.

Many who grieved for the victims said they considered the killings an act of terrorism, though U.S. authorities have said

nothing from their investigation indicated that.

"Yaakov Aminov died because he was a Jew, because a culture of hatred has been fostered," said Rabbi Aaron Tendler, one of the speakers.

Outside Groman-Eden Mortuary in Mission Hills, a few people held signs reading "Stop terrorism now" and "Vicki's murder was an act of terrorism."

"It is a very tough moment for us but we will survive. We will come through," Rabbi Samuel Ohana told mourners.

Hadayet was the fourth person in line at the El Al counter Thursday when he opened fire, killing Aminov and Hen and wounding three others, authorities said. He fired 10 or 11 bullets before he was killed by an El Al security guard.

FBI special agent Richard Garcia said Saturday it still wasn't known if Hadayet harbored

anti-Israel feelings, as a former employee claimed he did. Authorities had not ruled out terrorism as a motive, but were considering the possibility that Hadayet was despondent over his personal or business affairs.

Arab Americans in the Los Angeles area have publicly condemned the killings as a crime. The Web site of the American-Arab Anti-Discrimination Committee posted a statement denouncing the attack in the "strongest possible terms."

Quietly, however, some Southern California Muslims said they fear the high-profile killing could revive the anti-Arab discrimination felt in the aftermath of the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks.

"We hope that people can make the distinction between one crazy person and a whole

community of 6 or 7 million people in the United States," said Sabiha Khan, a spokeswoman for the Council on American Islamic Relations in Anaheim.

She praised the FBI for its careful handling of the investigation and said people across the Muslim community were speculating about Hadayet, a limousine driver who immigrated to California from Egypt 10 years ago. He lived in Irvine with his wife, Hala, and their sons Omar, 14, and Adam, 8.

Hadayet wasn't known at the major mosques in the area, according to the Muslim Public Affairs Council in Los Angeles.

"We are horrified by what happened," Khan said. "We pray for the victims and their families because nobody should ever die like that."

Florida shark attack set off 'summer of sharks' national frenzy before terror attacks

PENSACOLA, Fla. (AP) — Before the Sept. 11 attacks, the anthrax letters and the steady drumbeat of terror alerts, much of the nation had focused its attention, and fear, on sharks.

"The summer of sharks," as it was dubbed, began on a Panhandle beach in the twilight hours of July 6, 2001, with the dramatic attack on 8-year-old Jessie Arbogast, whose uncle wrestled a 6 1/2-foot bull shark out of the water.

The fascination with Jessie's story and sharks continued for two months, fed by a record string of attacks around the nation, two of them fatal.

"It was one thing after another," said

George Burgess, director of the University of Florida's International Shark Attack File. "You couldn't make a made-for-TV movie with all that happening without people saying, 'This isn't real, it's not believable.'"

The attack, which nearly drained Jessie of blood and also took a large chunk of his right thigh, left him brain-damaged. He recognizes people, seems alert and smiles, doctors say. But Jessie can't talk, and doctors question whether he will ever regain learning ability.

The boy's parents, David and Claire Arbogast, of Ocean Springs, Miss., have declined interview requests.

Jessie's progress has been steady but slow. He can take a few steps

with a walker and has limited movement in his reattached arm.

"Whether he'll continue to have improvement or not is anybody's guess," said Dr. Tim Livingston, a pediatric neurologist with Pensacola's Sacred Heart Hospital. "I really don't consider this a vegetative state since he appears communicative."

Doctors are looking at several treatment options including medications to increase brain function and botox injections to loosen muscles. There is nothing they can do, however, to regrow damaged nerve cell connections or determine the exact nature of his injury.

The loss of oxygen and nutrients

caused damage similar to that suffered by people who almost drown, doctors said.

Jessie was at the Gulf Islands National Seashore near Pensacola with his uncle, Vance Flosenzier, 39, aunt and five cousins.

Flosenzier was on shore watching the sunset, which is feeding time for bull sharks, when he heard his son, Brendan, then 10, yell "shark!" He turned and saw the dark creature with Jessie's arm in its jaws.

"It was in the process of devouring him," Flosenzier said in a May interview with the Pensacola News Journal. Jessie was yelling: "He's got me! Get him off me!"

The uncle, a muscular 6-foot-1,

225 pound triathlete, ran into the water and grabbed the shark's tail as it rolled.

Another beachgoer grabbed Jessie and brought him ashore after the shark snapped off his arm. The boy's uncle kept pulling the shark's tail until it was on the beach.

Jessie's aunt, Diana, began CPR, something she had learned for her job at a chemical plant. An off-duty paramedic and a tourist from St. Louis helped until the boy could be flown to Pensacola's Baptist Hospital, where doctors and nurses immediately began infusing the first units of nearly two gallons of blood Jessie would receive over the next 10 hours.

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Panthers named preseason All-American

Six Eastern Illinois University Panther football players have been named to The Sports Network's pre-season All-American team for NCAA I-AA.

Three of them, senior quarterback Tony Romo, senior offensive guard Kevin Hill, and junior linebacker Nick Ricks, were chosen First Team.

Sophomore offensive tackle Mike Bujnak was a Second Team selection while senior tailback J.R. Taylor and junior strong safety Fred Miller were named Honorable Mention.

Romo, a two time Ohio Valley Conference 'Player of the Year', has already been tabbed as the leading contender for the Walter Payton I-AA 'Player of the Year' award after leading the nation in passing efficiency last year.

He's been 10th the past two years in Payton balloting. A poll of I-AA coaches combined with last year's statistics have propelled him

to the top of the list for 2002.

Romo needs 25 touchdowns passes to become Eastern's all-time career leader in that category. He's completed 60.6 percent of his passes for 5,047 career yards and 51 touchdowns.

Hill, Bujnak, Taylor, Ricks, and Miller were also First Team All-OVC selections last fall. Ricks led the conference in tackles with 125 while Miller was right behind him with 117 tackles.

Taylor moved to 10th on Eastern's all-time rushing list with 2,183 yards and fourth in touchdowns scored with 33.

The Panthers, who are going for their third straight trip to the NCAA I-AA playoffs, have won 18 of their last 24 games.

They open the year at the University of Hawaii on August 31, play at Kansas State on September 14 and then return to O'Brien Stadium for the home opener on September 21.

5K and 15K to be held Saturday

The Panther Prowl is back again.

The Panther Prowl 5,000 meter (3.1 miles) and 15,000 meter (9.3 miles) races are to be held on Saturday, July 13th at 7:15 a.m.

Pre-registration fee is \$5.00 if received prior to Wednesday, July 10. Pre-registration fee should be sent to John McInerney; EIU Track Office; Charleston, IL 61920.

Race day registration will take place from 6:15 to 6:45 a.m. at the Eastern Pond Pavillion and the fee is \$10.

Checks for the entry fee should be made payable to the Charleston Parks and Recreation Department.

The 5,000 meter race is over a flat fast loop course along South Fourth Street, University Avenue,

and the Panther Trail south of Lantz Gymnasium.

The 15,000 meter race is a hilly course that goes South of Charleston on back roads.

Both races begin and end at the Campus Pond Pavillion on the campus of Eastern Illinois University.

Awards will be given to the top five overall male and female in each race. Top two in each age group.

5,000 meter age groups—10 and under; 11-14; 15-17; 18-24; 25-29; 30-39; 40-49; 50 and over.

15,000 meter age groups—16 and under; 17-19; 20-29; 30-39; 40-49; 50 and over.

For more information contact John McInerney at 217-581-6647.

Women's basketball goes Down Under in August

Eastern Illinois University's women's basketball team is traveling to Australia for five preseason games during August.

The trip is tentatively scheduled for August 8-19 with five games likely to be played in the Melbourne and Sydney area.

"This is a great opportunity for our women's basketball team," said Dr. Rich McDuffie, Director of Athletics. "This is something we have been working on since 1998 as part of our multi year agreement with World Wide Basketball. We began setting aside funding four years ago. This trip has finally come to fruition.

"Two years ago the men went to Europe for six games. Coach Rick Samuels really believed the amount

of time the men's team spent together coupled with the level of foreign competition gave his squad a good head start on a season that ultimately wound up with a NCAA tournament spot," said McDuffie.

"We're hoping that history can repeat itself with the women's program benefiting by this trip. It's a great cultural experience for these student-athletes in addition to getting a jump on the basketball preparation for the Ohio Valley Conference race."

This is the third Panther women's team to travel outside the continental United States but the first to visit a foreign country. The volleyball team played in an Alaska tournament last September while the softball squad competed in

Hawaii two years ago.

The basketball team returns four starters. "I felt we ended last season on a good note...we played well the last month," said Coach Linda Wunder. "We see the trip as a very positive experience...not only because of the games but also giving everyone the chance to experience another culture.

"Pam O'Connor (Second Team All-OVC) cannot play on the trip due to knee surgery and Lauren Dailey will be limited due to a stress fracture so this is a great opportunity for our younger players to step up and make a difference...to establish themselves a bit more prior to the start of regular season practice in October," said Wunder.

2002-2003 Eastern Women's Basketball Schedule

Date	Time	Opponent	Location
Feb. 1	5:15 pm	TENNESSEE STATE *	Lantz Arena
Fri.-Sat. TBA		at Central Florida Classic:	
Nov. 22-23		Central Florida, EIU, Monmouth, and Sam Houston State	Lantz Arena
Nov. 26	TBA	at IUPUI-Indianapolis	Lantz Arena
Nov. 29	7:10 pm	NAVY	Lantz Arena
Dec. 3	TBA	at Loyola (Chicago)	Lantz Arena
Dec. 7	5:15 pm	SOUTHERN ILLINOIS	Lantz Arena
Dec. 10	TBA	at Wisconsin	Madison, WI
Dec. 22	TBA	at Louisville	Louisville, KY
Dec. 30	TBA	at Indiana State	Terre Haute, IN
Jan. 2	7:10 pm	CHICAGO STATE	Lantz Arena
Jan. 4	TBA	at Southeast Missouri *	Cape Girardeau, MO
Jan. 11	TBA	at Eastern Kentucky *	Richmond, KY
Jan. 13	TBA	at Morehead State *	Morehead, KY
Jan. 18	5:15 pm	TENNESSEE-MARTIN *	Lantz Arena
Jan. 20	7:10 pm	MURRAY STATE *	Lantz Arena
Jan. 24	7:10 pm	IUPUI-FORT WAYNE	Lantz Arena
Jan. 27	TBA	at Austin Peay *	Clarksville, TN
Jan. 30	5:15 pm	SOUTHEAST MISSOURI *	Lantz Arena
Feb. 3	7:10 pm	TENNESSEE TECH *	Lantz Arena
Feb. 8	5:15 pm	MOREHEAD STATE *	Lantz Arena
Feb. 10	7:10 pm	EASTERN KENTUCKY *	Lantz Arena
Feb. 15	TBA	at Tennessee-Martin *	Martin, TN
Feb. 17	TBA	at Murray State *	Murray, KY
Feb. 20	5:15 pm	AUSTIN PEAY *	Lantz Arena
Feb. 27	TBA	at Tennessee State *	Nashville, TN
Mar. 1	TBA	at Tennessee Tech *	Cookeville, TN
Mar. 4	TBA	OVC TOURNAMENT:	
		First Round on Campus Sites at Top 4 Seeds	
Mar. 8	TBA	at OVC Tournament:	
		Semifinal Games Louisville Convention Center in Louisville, KY	
Mar. 9	TBA	at OVC Tournament:	
		Championship Game (televised LIVE on ESPN) Louisville Convention Center in Louisville, KY	

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After the death of the 'Splendid Splinter', the Williams family has a feud over remains

By JIMMY GOLEN
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BOSTON (AP) — The Boston Red Sox will celebrate Ted Williams' life on July 22 with two memorial services at Fenway Park that will include baseball's all-time greats, ordinary fans and the family that continues to fight over what to do with his remains.

"We'd like to see all of the stars of Red Sox history, and we'd like to see all of the great stars of baseball history who can get there that day," team spokesman Charles Steinberg said Sunday as he departed for the All-Star game in Milwaukee to try to recruit participants.

Though the details are still being determined, the team has decided to hold one free event in the morning to allow fans to pay their respects at the ballpark and another, ticketed event in the evening with the proceeds going to Williams' favorite charity, The Jimmy Fund.

Initial plans are for a morning event that would allow fans to file into the ballpark, per-

haps walk on the warning track and stand in left field, where Williams played from 1939-60 except for the five years he served in World War II and Korea. Steinberg said the team is considering draping Fenway's famous left-field Wall with a giant replica of Williams' No. 9 jersey, and playing a video on the scoreboard that would take fans through his career.

"It's a chance for the fans to reconnect with their hero," Steinberg said. "It's a way for them to pay their respects in a real way."

At night, the team would bring out baseball's biggest stars. Plans are to invite Williams' colleagues from baseball and the military and other baseball notables, such as members of the 500 home run club.

All three of Williams' children have been invited, Steinberg said. The team is hoping the events will be free of any acrimony even though Bobby-Jo Ferrell, Williams' daughter with his first wife, said she will seek a court injunction on Monday to stop her half brother, John Henry Williams, from trying to have their father's body or DNA frozen.

"I will rescue my father's body," she told The Associated Press late Saturday night. "Me and my attorney are working on that."

Williams, the last major league hitter to bat better than .400, died at the age of 83 in a hospital near his home in west-central Florida. According to his wishes, no funeral will be held.

Ferrell did not return a call seeking comment on Sunday. But she told the AP on Saturday that she a "very important person" at Hooper's Funeral Home in Inverness, Fla., said that her father's body had been moved to Scottsdale, Ariz., on Friday.

She would not identify the person. "My father's body was put on a plane yesterday with people from Alcor," she said, referring to Alcor Life Extension Foundation, a cryonics company. "I'm imagining they were trying to keep it quiet."

A spokeswoman for Alcor said the company has a policy against commenting on "patients."

John Henry Williams has not returned repeated calls seeking comment. Ted

Williams' attorney, Eric Abel, did not return a phone call from the AP seeking comment on Sunday but had previously refused to confirm or deny that cryogenics was a possibility.

Dwight Hooper, vice president of the funeral home, has declined to comment on whether the body was still at the funeral home because the family has requested privacy.

Ferrell said her brother brought up the idea of freezing their father, or a part of it, after his health took a turn for the worse last year. She told him he was against it, and on Saturday she called it immoral and not what her father would have wanted.

Ted Williams' appearance at the 1999 All-Star game in Boston is an event that few will ever forget when he threw out the first pitch at Fenway Park with the assistance of Tony Gwyn.

Though Ted never won a World Series ring and only made one appearance ever in the Fall Classic there is little doubt that he deserved the ring that always seemed to go to his Yankee rivals.

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Runners invade Eastern's campus for week of training and learning

By Erik Hall
Sports Editor

For the 11th year in a row Charleston drivers will be forced to avoid an extra 60 junior and senior high school runners who will be taking over the city's streets.

Beginning at 1 p.m. today, 60 junior and senior high school runners will be coming to Eastern's campus to partake in Eastern head cross country coach John McInerney's 11th annual distance running camp.

"Some people say 'Why would you spend money to go to a distance running camp just to do a lot of distance running?', but we cover a wide variety of topics and a lot of it is on the mental side," McInerney said.

Apparently it is an enjoyable time for the runners as well. Of the 60 runners expected to partake in the camp, McInerney says that at least 20 are returning campers.

Robert Gooden attended the distance running camp last year after his freshman year of high school and is going to be attending the camp again this year.

"It was fun and exciting," Gooden said. "It gets you prepared for the season; it opens up running for cross country. That is also about the time you should start seriously training (for the cross country season)."

Last year's camp definitely didn't hurt Gooden in preparation for a cross country season in which he was named All-Apollo and qualified for the IHSA AA State Cross Country Finals where he finished 115th of more than 300 runners with a time of 15 minutes and 58 seconds on the three mile course.

With talented runners like Gooden attending the camp it would definitely appear to give McInerney an advantage when it is time to recruit these runners.

"It is beneficial some on the recruiting side, and we have had some of our top kids come to camp," McInerney said.

Some of those "top kids" that went on to be successful Eastern runners have included Andy Derks and Beth Martin.

In 2002, Martin set the Eastern 3,000 meter steeplechase school record. In 2001, Derks and Martin were both First Team All-OVC in cross country. In 2000, Derks was First Team All-OVC for cross country and Martin was Second Team All-OVC in cross country. Each runner just finished their senior season running for Eastern.

Zach Fairfield of Crystal Lake Central who has already signed a scholarship to run at Eastern will be one of the individuals attending this year's distance running camp.



Eastern Head Cross Country Coach John McInerney (left), last year's Panther Prowl 5,000 meter race winner Erik Werden (center with UMKC shirt), and former Eastern runner Steve Butti (far right with outstretched hand) following the 2001 Panther Prowl. Werden will be attending the 2002 Eastern Illinois Distance Running Camp this week after a junior year of high school where he finished seventh in the IHSA AA State Cross Country Finals and fifth in the IHSA AA State Track and Field 800 meter Finals.

Fairfield finished 201st at last year's IHSA AA State Cross Country Finals and then was a member of Crystal Lake Central's 3,200 meter relay team that finished seventh at the IHSA AA State Track and Field Finals.

Along with experienced runners like Fairfield and Gooden there will also be seventh and eighth grade runners with little experience with distance running.

"The camp is more beneficial for the kids to get to spend a week on campus and get to experience the seriousness of distance running and it gives them a perspective of what college running can be like," McInerney said. "We try to expose them to a whole bunch of high school athletes and college athletes who are fired up about running and try to make them more fired up when they leave."

McInerney also uses several knowledgeable speakers to provide beneficial information regarding becoming a better runner. Some of this week's speakers include sports psychologist Dr. Gary Canivez, physiologist and nutritionist Dr. Jake Emmett, sports nutritionist Susan Kundrat, endocrinologist Dr. Paul Wilson, University of Virginia runner Meg McGarvey, former Eastern men's track coach Tom Woodall, and five to six other high school and college coaches.

"We do so much more than just running, and that is one of our big pushes that when we do our runs we are serious. When we aren't running we have fun," McInerney said.

"It is a lot of the other things, along with some of the speakers that really surprise them as well. We try to keep it a highly motivated and fun camp."

The campers tend to enjoy the speakers for the knowledge they present as well as a chance to catch their breath.

"Last year I enjoyed the coach from St. Joe-Ogden's speech about running consecutively for the past 35 years," Gooden said. "I also like the weight training session where we talk about training on weights. I've found that helpful and beneficial."

At the end of a tough week of distance running training, all the campers participate in the Panther Prowl races sponsored by the Charleston Parks and Recreation Department. There are 5K (3.1 miles) and 15K (9.3 miles) races. These races are also open to the public.

Approximately a total of 100 runners participate in the two races and about 70 of the runners are in the 5K race. Race day registration begins at 6:15 a.m. at the Eastern Pond Pavilion.



Submitted Photo

Robert Gooden (far left) and Erik Werden (far right) will both be attending Eastern's Distance Running Camp this week. This photo was taken after the two completed the 2001 Panther Prowl 5,000 meter run.

Doctor and nutritionist to provide bone loss information for women on Wednesday in Lumpkin Hall

A seminar titled "Bone Loss: Prevent a Problem/Perform Better" will be hosted by Eastern Illinois University and head cross country coach John McInerney.

The seminar is free and open to the public on Wednesday, July 10, 2002 at 7 p.m. in the Lumpkin Hall Auditorium, Room 2030.

Dr. Paul Wilson, an endocrinologist at Carle Clinic, will outline the problem of bone density loss among young, female athletes.

Susan Kundrat, a sports nutri-

tionist in Champaign, will share information on good nutrition—the necessary fuel to perform better.

Meg McGarvey, a varsity runner at the University of Virginia, will talk about her experience in dealing with bone density loss since high school.

Most people think that osteoporosis is a disease for older women, but some distance runners and other female athletes have experienced the loss of bone mineral density (BMD) while still in high

school. In a careful manner, we want to talk about this problem and discuss things that can be done now to prevent potential bone density loss in young female athletes.

The seminar leaders will elaborate more on the causes and warning signs of bone loss and expand on ways to avoid the problem by focusing on the benefits of good nutrition. Consuming an adequate number of calories is one of the key factors in maintaining healthy bones, and it also provides more

energy, resulting in better performance.

The purpose of this seminar is to share information and resources with female athletes, their parents, trainers, coaches, athletic directors, and any other interested people.

For more information contact Coach John McInerney at cjpm1@eiu.edu or 217-345-5700. Also contact Meg McGarvey at megmcgarvey1@hotmail.com.

Eastern hires new coach

Charlie Partridge, director of football operations at Iowa State University the past two years, has been named defensive line coach at Eastern Illinois University.

Partridge recruiting efforts at Iowa State helped the Cyclones win nine games in 2001 and their first ever bowl victory. Iowa State has been to the 2000 Insight.com Bowl and 2001 Independence Bowl.

In 1998-99, he was the Cyclones defensive graduate assistant coaching the linebackers.