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# THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

April 3, 2003 ♦ **THURSDAY**

## Panthers claw Cougars

The Eastern baseball team sweeps a doubleheader at home against Chicago State.

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## Will give speech for cash

♦ *Students win money prizes for giving speeches*

By Matthew Kent  
ACTIVITIES REPORTER

A speech on suicide prevention cashed in on first-place honors Wednesday in the final round of a public speaking contest.

Six students competed in the final round with hopes of winning prize money.

The event, sponsored by Doug Bock, professor of speech communication, has been run for the past 12 years and is open to undergraduate speech communication majors who qualified for the final round.

"It provides (speech communication) majors to showcase their skills," Bock said. "I believe that persuasion is important."

Contestants each presented a seven to 10-minute persuasive speech to a panel of five speech communication professors who evaluated each speech using the "speech rating scale."

Christopher Hightower, a sophomore from Danville, titled his speech "Love and Live Life," speaking about suicide prevention.

"We're losing our young people, and that's why I stand before you today," Hightower said.

He described his youth experiences and said, "At the age of 17, I felt like I wasn't anybody ... I don't want you to put that all-black suit or all-black dress and look at the casket and ask yourself 'What could I have done?'"

Hightower won \$300 and a plaque for his speech.

"I wasn't expecting to win, and I was lucky enough to make it to the finals; I was fortunate enough to win," Hightower said.

Other winners include: second-place winner Mark Wonderlin, a junior from Bolingbrook, who won \$200 and a plaque and third-place winner Jessica Jarrett, a junior from Burbank, who won \$100 and a plaque.

Wonderlin spoke about his experience studying abroad in Spain for four months.

"The most important thing about studying abroad is knowing your surroundings," Wonderlin said.

People are concerned about safety issues in other countries, but in actuality people have a "1-in-9 million chance of being in a terrorist attack," he said. "A picture is worth a thousand words, but seeing it in person is worth 10,000 words."

Jarrett spoke about why college students don't vote in a speech



COLIN MCAULIFFE/PHOTO EDITOR

Jamie Baker, a freshman speech communications major, one of six contestants, gives her speech on Habitat for Humanity during the final round of the Bock Public Speaking Contest in Room 1255 Coleman Hall.

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## Bliss backers will take action

By Jamie Fetty  
MANAGING EDITOR

A group of concerned students are sticking up for local business owner Keith Bliss, who they say was forced by Eastern into a contract that prevents him from being profitable.

Bliss signed a lease to manage Java Beanery and Bakery in the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union this fall. Bliss also owns the Jitters and Bliss shop on Lincoln Avenue.

The union shop sold java from national distributor Seattle's Best Coffee instead of cheaper, Champaign-based MicroRoaster, which supplies the off-campus shop. That and Java B & B's inability to accept Dining Dollars is forcing the shop out of business, said members of Eastern's Fair Trade Coffee Coalition.

"I'm pretty sure he won't stay if he doesn't have Dining Dollars and his own roaster," said Jen Price, coalition co-chair and junior art major.

Bliss did not return phone calls Wednesday. He plans to opt out of his annually renewable five-year contract and vacate Java B & B shortly after the spring semester ends.

Price and other members of Fair Trade set up shop in Coleman Hall and the Union for several days, passing out fliers alleging that Bliss was "forced" into the Seattle's Best agreement and "denied access to Dining Dollars." The fliers also said the university plans to accept Dining Dollars in its operation despite remarks that Bliss' shop couldn't handle the volume.

Price said the group learned of problems between Bliss and the university while working with Bliss and Mark Hudson, director of housing and dining, to promote Fair Trade Coffee on campus.

About 300 students signed letters voicing support for Bliss' demands, and Fair Trade plans to deliver them early next week to Hudson, Interim President Lou Hencken and Shirley Stewart, acting vice president for student affairs.

That won't change the fate of the shop, Stewart said.

"We've accepted his letter to leave in May," she said. "We know he has a thriving business on Lincoln Avenue, and we wish him luck."

Stewart said Bliss chose not to accept Dining Dollars in favor of collecting more commission and using Seattle's Best was a provision since the beginning of talks.

"He agreed to it. He signed the contract," she

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## This Jimmy hopes to crack more than just corn



Jim Shonkwiler  
"I kept reminding people I was not an April Fools Day joke."

♦ *No joke, new budget director faces many challenges*

By John Chambers  
ADMINISTRATION EDITOR

His wife works in health services, his 80-year-old mom bartends and now he is Eastern's new budget director.

Jim Shonkwiler started April 1.

"I kept reminding people I was not an April Fools Day joke," he said.

His first step is networking — from a borrowed graduate student's computer.

"I'm just sort of squatting on his workplace to do emails and stuff — learning everything Eastern now does

that touches the budget office," he said.

The position has been vacant since December.

Jeff Cooley, vice president for business affairs, and other administrators have been working through state budget woes.

The university has yet to hear back from the Bureau of the Budget regarding Gov. Rod Blagojevich's request for public universities to stash away 8 percent of this year's fiscal budget.

"I will be helping vice president Cooley immediately," Shonkwiler said. "We all understand in higher education that it is education that fuels the economic machine."

Eastern divided up the expected reserve funds among 15 areas equaling \$4.1 million, with about \$1.3 million already in reserve.

Shonkwiler said he did not want to speculate on where he would suggest funds be taken.

"I've only had a short conversation with vice president Cooley about those things," he said. "I think he's probably trying not to scare me in the first 24 hours that I'm employed."

The governor will deliver his budget presentation April 9.

"I think there's still guidance that's coming from the Bureau of the Budget," he said. "We're definitely still

in a learning mode about what is needed by the governor."

Shonkwiler's last job was faculty specialist at the University of Missouri-Columbia.

He received a bachelor and masters of science in finance, and a doctorate in higher education administration from the University of Illinois Champaign-Urbana.

He has held eight faculty or administrative positions in Florida, Missouri and Illinois since 1964.

Shonkwiler grew up in Platt County, about 40 miles northwest of Coles

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COMING UP

# Debating the death penalty

◆ *Newman Center holds two discussions*

*on Capital Punishment*

By Jennifer Chiariello

ACTIVITIES EDITOR

The Newman Catholic Center will host two discussions on the death penalty Thursday.

An informal presentation with questions will begin at 12:15 p.m. at the Newman Catholic Center as part of the Center's Soup and Substance Series.

Jane Bohman, executive director of the Illinois Coalition to Abolish the Death Penalty; Bill Jenkins, member of murder victims' families for reconciliation; and Gary Gauger, a man released and exonerated from death row in Illinois after being found innocent, will discuss the opposition to the death penalty, said Roy Lanham, Newman Catholic Center campus minister.

Gauger was accused of murdering his parents in 1993 and sentenced to death Jan. 11, 1994. In March 1996, his innocence was established, and he was released.

Jenkins' son, William, was shot and killed in August 1997 during the robbery of a fast food restaurant.

Jenkins is the author of "What To Do When The Police Leave: A Guide To The First Days Of Traumatic Loss."

The presenters will share their stories, answer questions and present the opinion that there are alternatives to the death penalty.

The presentation is open to the public, admission is free, and lunch will be served.

A forum in favor of the death penalty will begin at 7 p.m. Thursday in room 2080 of the Life Sciences Building.

Grant Sterling, assistant professor of Eastern's philosophy department; Duane Deters, assistant state's attorney for Coles County; and Bohman, Jenkins and Gauger will participate in the forum.

The five panelists will focus on the pro/con take of the death penalty in a dialog, Lanham said.

"The community has been profoundly impacted by Shannon McNamara's brutal murder," Lanham said.

He said the lecture is timely, but they wanted to be sensitive and wait until after the trial to discuss the topic.

"Is the death penalty the answer? Will the family ever find peace with the death penalty?" Lanham said.

Mertz's lawyers filed an appeal last week, and Lanham said the family will have to deal with it for the next 12 years.

Both discussions are free and open to the public.

## New voting procedures in order for RHA?

By Jamie Hussey

STAFF WRITER

New voting procedures may take charge when proposed at Thursday's Residence Hall Association meeting.

RHA President Stina Heldmann said there will possibly be a proposal made for RHA to have new voting procedures for its executive board.

The executive board was elect-

ed in last week's meeting, but the RHA still must elect a vice president of finance.

The new executive board will be sworn in the April 24 last RHA meeting.

Heldmann said plans for RHA Karaoke Night were on track.

"I want to push RHA Karaoke Night that will also be Thursday," Heldmann said.

RHA meets at 5 p.m. Thursday in Taylor Hall.

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Tami Garner, a senior sociology major, winces as she gives blood Wednesday afternoon in the University Ballroom of the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union. Garner has given blood many times, but she still gets nervous about the needle.

## 'Food for blood' ups ante at drive

By Aaron Saudargas

STAFF WRITER

"Give blood and get free food" could be the Red Cross's new motto for blood drives. Many people came to the blood drive Wednesday to donate blood and eat free food.

Volunteer Kristin Giglietti, a junior biology major, said the blood drive was a great success. Near the end of the drive, it looked like its goal would be reached.

"We are hoping for 250 (donors) by 7 p.m., and we have 212 now."

The event was sponsored by Alpha Phi Omega and the American Red Cross. Blood drives have been held at Eastern since it was built, Giglietti said. Another blood drive, taking place Thursday, also is being hosted by the American Red Cross but a different sponsor.

Sarah Kistler, a freshman biology and pre-med major, said it was her first time attending a blood drive at Eastern.

"I donated blood back home — I thought I would do it here."

Some people who were donating said it felt like they were contributing to the conflict in Iraq.

After the blood is taken from the donor, the blood is transferred from the drive to a process center, then distributed to hospitals nationwide, Giglietti said. If there was an excess, the blood would be transferred nationwide to other processing centers.

The Red Cross said O-negative blood is currently needed.

Giglietti said about one pint is taken when someone gives blood. The human body has about eight to 12 pints, and males and females both give the same amount of blood.

Amanda Liter, a sophomore biology major, volunteered to help at the drive.

"I am getting extra credit for my human anatomy class," she said.

For the human anatomy students, extra credit was given for volunteering at the drive or giving blood, Liter said. This was her motivation.

## Now it's UB's turn to listen

◆ *Listening Party gives students chance to play what they want to hear*

By Jennifer Chiariello

ACTIVITIES EDITOR

An Underground Listening Party will give students the opportunity to play what they want to hear played.

The Underground Listening Party is for students to present CDs of bands they would like to lis-

ten to at Eastern that might want to perform here, said Caleb Beirmann of the University Board Mainstage.

It is a new event through the UB Mainstage.

The Mainstage committee decided this semester's mainstage programming has not been what the committee would like it to be, Beirmann said. The mainstage currently has a low attendance.

When Beirmann took over the coordinator position, he thought

"students' money could go someplace better with different things such as bigger acts, but not so much as bigger acts as concerts," Beirmann said.

The goal of the party is to get students interested and involved as well as to give suggestions to the mainstage.

The listening party begins at 8 p.m. Thursday at 7th Street Underground.

Admission is free and food will be provided.



# Jail profits from housing

By Jeremy Pelzer  
CITY REPORTER

The Coles County Jail is holding inmates from the federal immigration service for the first time in four months.

On March 20, 20 inmates arrived at the jail, said Capt. Brian Marvin, head of the jail's corrections department. Currently, 13 of those inmates are still being held.

Almost all of the inmates are illegal aliens who have served time for a crime and await a deportation hearing in Chicago, Marvin said.

The Bureau of Immigrations and Customs Enforcement, formerly called the Immigration and Naturalization Service, sends potential deportees to Coles County because of overcrowding in Chicago jails, he said. However, no inmates had been sent to Coles County since November 2002.

Coles County has agreed to hold immigration convicts since 1999, Marvin said.

Marvin said he did not know

exactly why there was a four-month drought in immigration inmates.

The time spent in Coles County varies by inmate, Marvin said — some of the 20 new inmates have already left for trial, he said, while others may spend months in the facility.

The arrival of the new inmates restores a vital source of revenue for local law enforcement. Marvin said the immigration service pays the county \$60 per inmate per day and reimburses the county for the inmates' medical expenses.

This year's budget projected \$340,000 in revenue from holding immigration inmates, he said.

Ideally, Marvin said Coles County would like to constantly hold about 20 immigration inmates.

Despite a high level of methamphetamine arrests this year, Marvin said there was no danger of the jail becoming overcrowded.

Currently, about 100 prisoners are being held in the jail, which can hold 156 convicts, Marvin said.

# Education College plans puts research on display

By Lisa Meyer  
STAFF WRITER

Many people have experienced the atmosphere of a science fair at one point or another in their lives.

The kids standing aisle upon aisle aside their prized experiments waiting to be judged, while hoping to prove they are the best.

For some Eastern graduate students and faculty, it may be hard to clear away the cobwebs from past memories. But they can relive childhood memories at the sixth annual Research Fair and Luncheon.

The fair will take place from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Friday at the Arcola-Tuscola and Effingham rooms in the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union.

Except, this time around, there will be no judges or kids; there will be researchers and scientists.

Members of the College of Education and Professional Studies are sponsoring the fair, which will display the research of those at Eastern and across the state.

Beverly Findley, an educational administration professor and of the research and grant committee, said: "The event is very low-key, but is very fun because you get the opportunity to share your research with people that you may not see across campus.

Findley also spoke of how people form different colleges attend and visit with the researchers.

"There is usually a steady stream of people that attend the fair," she said.

Marilyn Lisowski, a science education professor, said the fair is a good way to share ideas.

"Not only do we get to share projects and research and show what

we're doing, but also to see what others have done."

Findley said any student in the College of Education and Professional Studies or those who apply for a grant are eligible to participate in the event.

The grants help provide a researcher with the funds needed to complete their research.

The CEPS research and grant committee will be awarding money to two recipients for upcoming research in 2003-2004.

This year, Rebecca Cook, associate professor of special education, and Audrey Edwards, secondary education professor, will receive grants.

Findley also said those who received grants in the previous year are expected to attend the fair and display what they have researched.

The research topics are diverse.

For example, Lisowski's research topic was titled, "Flora and Fauna online and outdoors." Her project involved working with teachers who will be doing species inventories around their schools and posting the information onto the Internet.

Grace Nunn, an early childhood elementary and middle level education professor, researched a program called "Reading Improvement project grades 3-6."

Nunn helped students with reading deficiencies.

Charles Rohn, dean of the College of Education and Professional Studies, the CEPS Research and Grants Committee, the CEPS graduate school and CEPS Telefund Committee are sponsoring the Research Fair and Luncheon.

Attendance is open to any member of CEPS.



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Ann Carr, a language arts teacher at Cumberland Junior High School, shows Kim Papeck, a senior early childhood education major, and Jamie Doman, a junior early childhood and elementary education major, how her students created digital writing portfolios from their class assignments Wednesday afternoon in the Grand Ballroom of the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union.

# Fair explores teacher technology

By Kelly Schumacher  
STAFF WRITER

Future teachers were able to get ideas for integrating technology in a classroom at the second-annual Educational Technology Fair Wednesday.

Informational tables were set up for interested students to observe technological advances in the teaching field.

The purpose of the program is to redesign courses by integrating technology into them, said Jennifer Smith, assistant to the director of school and university partnerships. It allows Eastern faculty the opportunity to work with area elementary school teachers.

"It benefits teachers as well as students," Smith said.

The event was funded by Preparing Tomorrow's Teachers to Use Technology, also known as PT3, and featured 30 interactive displays involving area schools, including several projects not involved with PT3.

The displays featured information and activities for all age groups, preschool through high

school. The displays featured digital albums and online projects, as well as presentations providing many different aspects of technology.

The "A is for America Movie Project," which featured digital albums, provided many options for young children to learn and interact.

Pam Storm, a media specialist at Carl Sandburg Elementary, said the project was effective at Carl Sandburg.

"It (the project) highly motivates them," Storm said.

The event also provided several learning opportunities for future educators.

"I think it is really neat to learn what is available for future teachers," said Shauna Rohr, a junior elementary education major.

"It is so overwhelming what kids can do with technology," said Lisa Toombs, a junior elementary education major.

The event was sponsored by the school and university partnerships, department of the college of education and professional studies, Smith said.

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## EDITORIAL

# Get chairs off faculty councils

Faculty councils are just that: faculty councils. They exist to represent and serve Eastern's faculty. Currently any instructor, assistant professor, associate professor, full professor or department chair may serve on committees like the Council on Academic Affairs.

But the Faculty Senate says, and rightly so, that department chairs on these councils do not represent faculty and approved a constitutional amendment removing their eligibility from serving but preserving their right to elect people to the councils.

Many faculty don't consider department chairs to be peers. Faculty Senate, which includes professors from all colleges, supported the amendment on the grounds that a department chair is more administrator than professor.

Chairs don't always teach classes. They make decisions that affect all faculty and students within a department. During faculty contract negotiations, the university suggested allowing chairs to decide a professor's salary.

A person who doesn't teach can't voice faculty complaints about problems like class overload, lack of time for research and crowding — all things faculty had to deal with this year. Chairs are inherently unable to represent the average professor.

The *Daily Eastern News* reported the sentiments of a group of department chairs split on the issue. Keith Andrew, chair of the physics department and the Council of Chairs, said the council debated the issue of serving on faculty councils and couldn't come to the consensus.

The amendment passed by a vote of 26-25 tenured or tenure-track faculty, and interim President Lou Hencken vetoed it, asking the senate to survey more constituents and send it back for reconsideration.

Faculty have councils to give themselves a voice in matters of university governance. Chairs already have a voice by virtue of being administrators. They should realize serving on a faculty council is not only a conflict of interest but a corruption of Eastern's system of shared governance.

Other professors should take this time to contact Faculty Senate, other councils and Hencken to get chairs off of faculty councils. Make your voices heard now, so they can continue to be heard later.

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

**At issue**  
Chairs serving on faculty councils

**Our stance**  
Faculty councils exist to represent faculty. Chairs already have an advantage because they're administrators.

## OPINION

# From 'Wolfboy' to GI John



**Nate Bloomquist**  
News editor and bi-weekly columnist for *The Daily Eastern News*

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John was the guy in gym class who opted to walk the track instead of playing the sport de jour.

He called a few weeks ago. He said the army would send him to Turkey, but he didn't know when.

The answer came last week. He said in an e-mail he would leave in a few days. But he didn't know exactly when or where. He knew why, as everyone else does.

But direction would be a new thing to John. His young life floated around accidental, like on the breeze.

He bumbled his way through life without any sort of spit-shine polish.

John held more than a dozen jobs before finding military fatigues. But held isn't the right word. He loosely grasped each one before being fired or quitting, usually only a few months after the initial job interview. Wal-Mart sought his help twice, but more than prices fell when he was on the clock.

Not to say John was a person of bad character. He simply had too much character for his own good.

Few dares were too steep for John to take. No matter what the concoction, if you dared him,

"He was like a cartoon mix of Tazmanian Devil and the Big Bad Wolf."

he'd eat that for a dollar.

He was so rowdy local police almost knew him on a first name basis, but never for anything major. Outside of John, no one got hurt.

He pushed the party envelope constantly. He was like a cartoon mix of Tazmanian Devil and the Big Bad Wolf.

John, two other friends and I threw rocks into the Illinois River on a tame summer afternoon while he told us he decided to join the army.

His rocks sank quickly while mine skipped over the surface with ease. If the decision didn't work out, life would drown him.

His call to join the army didn't come from a higher authority — this was a last resort.

My friends and I quickly chipped in and formed a pool placing bets on how long he'd last. Some said weeks, others days. Two months was the highest benefit of the doubt John

received.

No one won our pool.

John not only survived army training, he thrived. The army brought out his full potential — something all of his friends knew was there, but we figured he'd never work to hone it.

I worked out with him during a weekend he came home on leave. The guy who once had little interest in any physical activity left me in the dust during a 1-mile jog. While I huffed and puffed for the final quarter mile, he pushed for a longer run. My ego took a deep wound, but I couldn't have been more proud of John after the run.

He found a wife, some great friends and responsibility in the army. The guy my father once called "Wolfboy" showed he had evolved into a man.

Part of what makes America so great is even a former truck-stop coffee junkie can wind up in a gas mask and fatigues fighting for another country's freedom in an undisclosed location.

John is the reason I pray for the folks overseas fighting every day.

Whether you're anti- or pro-war doesn't matter. Pray for the troops because thousands of Johns are over there who need your prayers too.

Cartoon by Jeremy Pelzer



## YOUR TURN: LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

# Thoughts were not based on truth

The ignorance of *The Daily Eastern News* editorial page reached a pinnacle on Wednesday. In Matt Meinheit's March 26 column "Stand by your convictions," he states "I am not arguing Saddam is a good leader, but I'm raising the question of how much better is America?" America is 100 percent better.

In Iraq, a person can be put to death for belonging to a certain political party or insulting Saddam Hussein or the Ba'ath party.

If a dissenter is lucky enough not to get the death penalty, he will go to jail where he will be tortured.

The writer states "Supposedly America needs to stop Saddam because he is hoarding chemical weapons and weapons of mass destruction, but did he do this because he thinks he needed to defend his people after the United

States and the rest of the United Nations levied heavy sanctions on Iraq crippling its economy."

That doesn't even make sense.

How are chemical weapons and weapons of mass destruction going to protect Iraqi citizens from United Nations sanctions?

I find it irritating this garbage is even published. *The Daily Eastern News* is not a tabloid.

If something is going to be printed in the school paper, the thoughts expressed should at least be coherent and based in truth.

Charles Gurtler  
Junior finance major

Those not supporting Iraq actions wrong

I truly don't know where to

begin in my response to the letter to the editor titled "vigil was not 'disturbed,'" published in the March 25 edition of *The Daily Eastern News*. While I usually don't write to newspapers or get involved in demonstrations, I believed I had to step up in this case.

I will do everybody the favor of not pointing out the myriad of reasons why I think those not supporting our actions in Iraq are wrong — not different — but wrong. I wish instead to focus upon the watery gruel of logic being employed in the letter.

Does a group have the right to get together in the public square for a peace vigil?

Certainly. As a matter of fact, the Iraqi population will soon have that right themselves. The issue starts arising when an individual denounces "the behavior that broke off the vigil."

Why is this behavior being denounced? I didn't read that any criminal activity took place. I didn't see any arrests being made. The original article seemed to me to be very balanced in that a healthy vigil/counter-vigil took place, and ideas were exchanged (albeit not in the hushed self-aggrandizing tones which some may wish to hear).

Stan Czerwien  
Chicago resident

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Is anybody out there?

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From 1:30-4 p.m., when people supporting the troops in Iraq were supposed to have filled the Library Quad; the quad was filled with people playing frisbee and having a good time.

Senate debates student fees, funded board budgets presented

By Avian Carrasquillo  
STUDENT GOVERNMENT EDITOR

After heated debate over the proposed \$48 network fee, the Student Senate agreed to take the issue to students in a referendum in the upcoming Student Senate election.

A new network fee is being proposed to help improve the quality of Eastern's network. The fee was proposed to be \$50, but the senate's Tuition and Fee Review Committee approved \$48 instead.

The majority of Student Senate members voiced disapproval over the new fee.

"I don't agree with the 120 percent increase the network fee would bring students," said Speaker of the Senate Bill Davidson.

The election will take place April 22.

Budgets for the five fee-funded boards funded by the Apportionment Board were presented to the senate as well as the other fee increases decided on by

the Tuition and Fee Review Committee.

Student Senate tabled all the bills, so senate members can discuss the proposals further with their constituents.

The budgets for the five fee-funded boards for the 2004 fiscal year are as follows:

The Dramatic Players will receive \$9,238; University Board will receive \$204,104; Apportionment Board will receive \$22,277; Student Government will receive \$31,900; and Sports and Recreation will receive \$194,856.

The student fee increases receiving a final vote from Student Senate at next week's meeting are as follows:

The Recreation Center would increase by \$3.80 per semester for a total price of \$66.80 per semester. The Graduate student fee increase would rise a \$1 for a total of \$2 per semester. The textbook rental fee would increase by \$3.80, for a total of \$98.95 per semester. The Health Service and Pharmacy fee could increase by

\$3.55 for a total of \$70.05 per semester. The Athletic fee will be increased by \$2.45 for a total of \$63.50 per semester. The Union/Bond Revenue fee would increase by \$4.65 for a total of \$120.30 per semester. The Student Activity fee would increase to \$1.70 for a total of \$32.50 per semester and would be split three ways among Student Legal Services, which would receive a 32 cents increase; Student Publications, which would receive a 20 cents increase; and the Apportionment Board, which would receive \$1.18 fee increase. The Computer Technology fee would increase by \$1.60 for a total cost of \$89.60 per semester.

The Student Senate also discussed a recommendation to the AB to make better use of its reserved funds and revise its bylaws accordingly, and the bill as tabled for next week.

A letter of correspondence to the Illinois House Higher Education Appropriations Committee was approved.

Council to discuss speech communication

By Jennifer Farone  
STAFF WRITER

The Council on Academic Affairs will continue its review of the Department of Speech Communication Thursday, focusing on course revisions.

The department has proposed a revision of course SPC 4500, currently called Corporate and Non-Broadcast Video. The course has not been taught in a couple years.

The revised course will be a special topic course in Electronic Media Production. It will be all production oriented, said speech communication professor Michael Bradd.

Since it is a special topic course, it will change every semester but stay focused on production. The course also places prerequisites on students so they will have the proper background before coming into the class, Bradd said.

An option in mass communication with a concentration in electronic journalism and communication also will be up for revision by the CAA.

In mass communications, there will be a public relations option to better prepare students to function effectively in this environment.

The CAA will discuss another proposed revision of the political science major with the international studies option.

The CAA also will discuss a request by the Honors Council to amend the admission criteria for the University Honors College.

The 2002-2003 university undergraduate catalog currently states a student must be in the upper 10 percent of his or her high school graduating class. The Honors Council is looking to add to the catalog, "or a 3.5 Grade Point Average on a four-point scale."

The CAA will meet at 2 p.m. Thursday in the Arcola-Tuscola Room of the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union.


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# Day sheds light on child abuse

By Carly Mullady  
CITY EDITOR

Residents have an opportunity to light a candle in recognition of abused children during the national Light of Hope Celebration.

The celebration will create a path of light for abused or neglected children.

The Coles County Branch of the Court Appointed Special Advocate program is joining in the national program, honoring Child Abuse Awareness and Prevention Month by hosting a candlelight program and fundraiser at 7 p.m. Thursday in front of the Coles County Courthouse on Jackson Avenue.

Illinois Supreme Court Justice Rita Garman and author Stephen Elliot will be guest speakers at the event.

"One of the guest speakers, Stephen Elliot will be selling his book as part of the fundraiser," said CASA member Teresa Rowell. "The publisher will receive the cost value for the book, and the rest of profits will go to our CASA branch."

Rowell said CASA cookbooks will be sold as another source of fundraising.

The Charleston First Presbyterian Choir will perform during the event as well as local

*"Since I am from Charleston, I want to be involved."*

—Ryan Groff

musician Ryan Groff.

"Motherload performed last year but they had a conflict this year and we found Ryan Groff to perform for us," Rowell said.

Groff, an Eastern senior music composition major, is working with CASA for the first time.

Groff said a co-director of the event recognized him from his performances at Jackson Avenue Coffee and asked if he was interested in playing for charity.

"I said yes, of course. Since I am from Charleston, I want to be involved and I think a combination of charity and paid performances are good for a musician," he said. "This is a good charity gig. It is always nice when people are interested in local musicians."

Groff was asked to perform before and after the speakers and said he will be playing music by James Taylor, Elton John and some of his own original selections.

"I'm going to play light, easy

background music, and hopefully give people a reason to hang around after the speakers," Groff said. "This is a good organization. I hope they are happy with the turnout."

This is the second Light of Hope ceremony for CASA of Coles County. Rowell said this branch was established in 1994 to help abused children.

"We are a volunteer group that works within the court system to keep children a part of the system for as little time as possible," Rowell said. "Our goal is to provide abused or neglected children with a safe and permanent home in as little time as possible."

The local branch has worked with 81 children since the beginning of the year, Rowell said.

Each volunteer advocate has a child's case that is brought to the court system. The advocate learns all possible information about the child, then makes recommendations to the court based on what appears best for the child, Rowell said.

"We are independent reporters for the court, the judge makes final decisions," she said.

Daily, more than 8,775 children are reported abused or neglected nationwide. The CASA program was established to help children facing abuse or neglect.

## Funding board will discuss reserve money

◆ *The Student Government recommended the Apportionment Board keep \$75,000 instead of \$100,000 in fund*

By Angela Harris  
STAFF WRITER

Reserve account usage will be the main focus of Thursday's Apportionment Board meeting.

The Apportionment Board meeting will be 7 p.m. Thursday in the Tuscola Arcola Room of the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union.

Amy Leonard, vice president of Student Affairs and AB chair, said Student Government will present the resolution to change the amount held in the reserve fund from the current \$100,000 to \$75,000.

The Apportionment Board bylaw states the reserve account needs to be maintained at \$100,000 except in the event of dire emergencies, and Student Government recommended the Apportionment Board consider revising this bylaw.

Leonard said students pay into the reserve account from student activity fees.

She said the students need the present monies for funding new equipment for their Student Recreation Center and for other places where there have been budget cuts.

Rec center director Ken Baker presents a proposal at the meeting for more equipment.

Leonard had planned to change the amount held in the reserve account from the beginning and the rec center request is not her primary motivator.

"There has never been an emergency situation to call upon large amounts of money from the reserve account," Leonard said. "The students could take advantage of money that they have paid into this account while still having a reserve of \$75,000 on hand."

"Student needs can be met by revising the bylaw while still maintaining a large amount of reserves."

### Director:

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County, on a farm his grandparents ran.

"I guess I probably learned my work ethic from my grandfather," he said. "You learned to do a job and do it well so you can be had back next summer."

Eastern might need a budget director more now than in the past.

Whoever holds the position is "coming in at a difficult time because the state is low on funds. The hardest part is when you don't get

enough money from the state," said Kim Furumo, Shonkwiler's predecessor.

But Shonkwiler said the state situation would "help shorten that learning curve as much as I can."

He said he would like to remain director until he retires, which is not anytime soon.

"I'm not big on retirement. My mother will be 80 years old this month, and she's still working."

His mom works as a bartender in Missouri, something she has done most of her life.

Members of a fraternity at Southwestern

Missouri State consistently frequent the bar she tends.

She was eventually inducted into the fraternity.

"Now she goes to all of the fraternity functions. She dresses to the nines and goes to the dances," Shonkwiler said. "When any of the guys get married, they come pick mother up."

As a side business, Shonkwiler makes kettle corn poppers for those wishing to purchase an individual unit or start as entrepreneurs.

"I brought Kettle Korn for everyone on my first day."

Shonkwiler, who named Home Depot as his favorite place to market the popcorn makers, said women account for 95 percent of sales for individual machines.

"Women are very good shoppers. The place where you would want to set up your stand is where women are shopping."

He said the principles of small business can also be applied to big business.

He has a Web site at jimmycrackscorn.com.

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# Family of rescued POW rejoices

PALESTINE, W.Va. (AP) — More than a week of worry over Army Pfc. Jessica Lynch quickly turned into a gleeful celebration with blaring sirens and fireworks as her family and friends rejoiced over her rescue in Iraq.

Lynch's family was told at about 6 p.m. Tuesday that the 19-year-old supply clerk with the 507th Maintenance Company had been rescued from an Iraqi hospital.

"I thought at first it was an April Fools' joke," said her father, Greg Lynch Sr. "I thought this was a cruel joke. I can put up with most things, but not that. They assured me, no, it's not a joke."

About 20 friends gathered for breakfast at Greg and Deadra Lynch's two-story, wood-framed house Wednesday to wait for word on Lynch's condition.

"They told us we would be receiv-

ing a call and we haven't got that yet," Lynch said. "We want to hear from her and know what condition she's in. Not knowing is the hardest part."

A photograph of the soldier was released showing her being carried on a stretcher.

Gregory Lynch Jr., Lynch's brother and also an Army soldier, said hearing her voice "would bring up morale even more."

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titled "Voiceless."

She started out by asking why college students don't vote.

"Is it laziness? Is it a lack of knowledge about the candidates? Will my vote count?" Jarrett said.

She said college students often pick up newspapers everyday to see how much tuition will be in the future. She encouraged everyone to go out and make their voices heard.

"Sometimes I wonder, do we really have a voice?" Jarrett said.

Other contestants included Jamie Baker, a freshman from Brighton, who spoke on Habitat for Humanity; Kenyatta Greer, a senior from DeKalb, who spoke on "Turning Dreams into Reality" and Brent Furrow, a junior from Forsyth, who spoke on the benefits of air travel.

**Bliss:**  
**Hudson: Bliss missed last few meetings with administrators**  
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said. "He shouldn't have signed if he didn't want to do Seattle's Best."

The university hasn't yet decided whether to use Dining Dollars in its coffee shop, Hudson said.

When Bliss moves out of the shop, the university will take over operations indefinitely and not seek another operator, Stewart said.

"We're going to continue offering a coffee and bakery shop business," she said.

The university built the shop and leased the space to Bliss. Eastern owns most of the major appliances, Hudson said, but Bliss has offered to sell some

of the things he owns to the university. But Hudson said even those talks have progressed slowly.

"Our communications have not been as frequent over the last six weeks," Hudson said, remarking Bliss has missed his last several regular meetings with university administrators.

Price said Fair Trade still plans to fight for Bliss, who carried the only Fair Trade-approved line of Seattle's Best coffee at Java B & B, because he is a small business owner up against a university.

"I don't know if this is so much about Fair Trade but the small local business owner," Price said. "Fair Trade Coffee is about the small coffee farmer, so we have to support the small business owner, too."

Hudson and Stewart both said the university is open to the idea of using Fair Trade coffee, a line of coffee grown on ecologically sound farms by farmers paid a decent living wage.

# U.S. Black Hawk helicopter shot down in Iraq

WASHINGTON (AP) — A U.S. Army Black Hawk helicopter was shot down south of Baghdad Wednesday, military officials said. There were conflicting reports on the number of casualties.

Pentagon officials said seven soldiers aboard the helicopter were killed and four were wounded and rescued. U.S. Central Command headquarters in Qatar released a statement saying six were believed to have been aboard and "casualties have not been confirmed at this point."

The helicopter was downed by small-arms fire near Karbala, Pentagon officials said. The Euphrates River city was the site of fierce fighting between the Army's 3rd Infantry Division and Iraqi troops, including Republican Guard forces.

The Black Hawk was the second U.S. helicopter to go down in combat. An Army Apache assault helicopter went down March 24 during an assault on Republican Guard forces; its two pilots were captured by Iraqis.

The UH-60 Black Hawk is one of the Army's main utility and troop transport helicopters. Each is flown by a crew of four and can carry up to 11 soldiers.

The helicopters are equipped with advanced avionics and electronics, such as global positioning systems and night-vision equipment.

A Black Hawk crashed in a remote, wooded area of Fort Drum, N.Y., during a training exercise last month, killing 11 of the 13 soldiers aboard.

In February, a Black Hawk crashed during night training in the Kuwaiti desert, killing all four crew members. The Kuwaiti military said sandstorms were reported in the area at the time the chopper went down.

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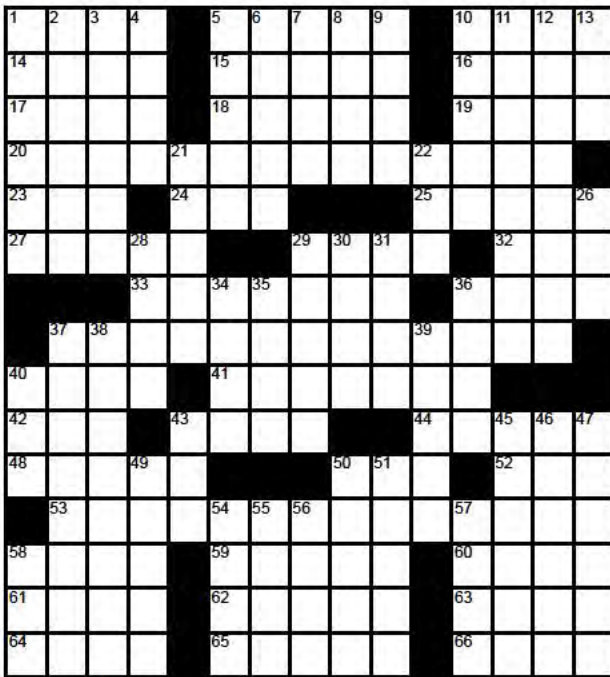
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# U.S. forces close in on Baghdad

By The Associated Press

American forces fought their way to within sight of Baghdad's skyline Wednesday and claimed the destruction of a pair of menacing Republican Guard divisions. An Army helicopter was shot down, killing seven of its 11 crew members.

Bombs shook the capital as Army and Marine armored columns took separate, converging paths toward the city from the south. "The dagger is clearly pointed" at the heart of Saddam Hussein's regime, said Brig. Gen. Vincent Brooks.

The rapid advances brought thousands of troops within the so-called red zone — an imaginary line on the map near the capital

where Iraqi use of weapons of mass destruction is most feared. Troops in some lead Army units donned chemical protection suits, and Marine helicopter pilots were ordered to be prepared to do so.

The Army Black Hawk helicopter was downed by small-arms fire near Karbala, site of fierce fighting between the Army's 3rd Infantry Division and Iraqi troops, including Republican Guard forces. Seven soldiers were killed and four were wounded and rescued, officials said.

The military campaign unfolded as Pfc. Jessica Lynch, a 19-year-old prisoner of war freed in a daring nighttime rescue, was flown to Germany for medical treatment.

But the joy over her freedom was tem-

pered by word that the special forces who rescued her also found 11 bodies. "We have reason to believe some of them were Americans," said Navy Capt. Frank Thorp.

Increasingly, there were signs that Iraqi civilians were eager for the arrival of invading forces. Some smiled and waved as Marines rolled through Nasiriyah in tanks and other military vehicles.

There were moments of humanity, as well, in the 2-week-old war. In Nasiriyah, American snipers summoned help for an Iraqi woman in labor in a pickup truck. Navy Hospitalman 1st Class Kyle Morris delivered a healthy baby and named her "America."

"It was a pretty cool way to start the day,"

he said.

But there was bad news, too. The U.S. Central Command, which is overseeing the war, said it was investigating reports that warplanes had bombed a Red Crescent maternity hospital in Baghdad.

Despite the gains on the battlefield, Defense Secretary Donald H. Rumsfeld and others cautioned that some of the toughest fighting of the military campaign may lie ahead, seeking to dampen speculation that the war might end quickly.

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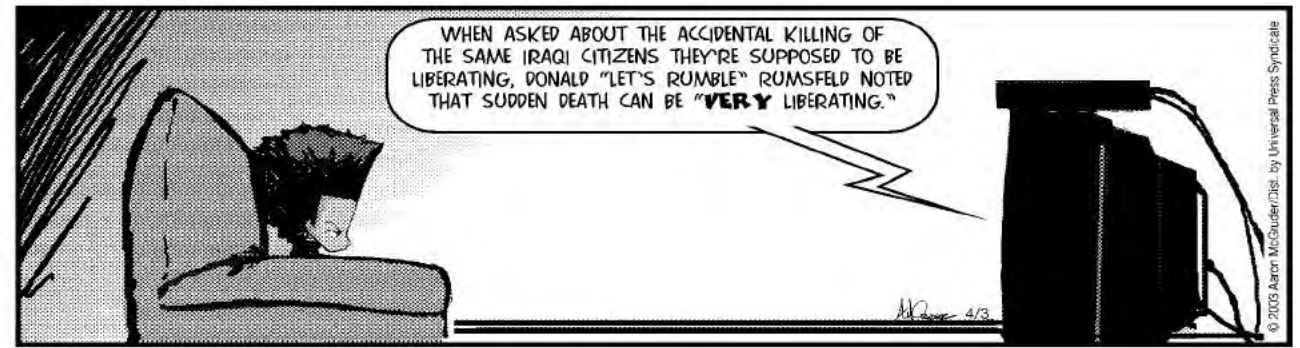
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VOLLEYBALL

# Club team takes tournament championship

By Matt Williams  
ASSOCIATE SPORTS EDITOR

Most people probably didn't know that Eastern has a men's club volleyball team. One thing is for sure: the Midwest now does. The 10-man self-organized and self-funded organization won the Midwest Intercollegiate Volleyball Association Division II Championship Tournament in Ann Arbor, Mich., last weekend. The tournament consisted of 11 different teams, including Eastern. Teams from Central Michigan, Kent State, Michigan, Michigan State, Ohio State, Rose Hulman, University of Illinois, Wittenburg, Wright State and Xavier also competed. After dropping three of its four games in pool play, the team earned the second to last seed in the tournament bracket and would have to face an upward climb in the double elimination round. Club president Jerry Teresi said the team was put at an early disadvantage because it was forced to forfeit the first game in its first match of bracket play against Michigan State.

"We were forced to forfeit our first game because we drove past our exit while on our way to the tournament," Teresi said. "Without any warmup time, we were able to beat MSU the final two games and win the match." Eastern then beat Central Michigan, who had defeated Eastern the previous day and had not previously lost. The team then beat Xavier in the third game to earn a shot to play Illinois in the championship match. "I think we shocked ourselves by how well we all played," Teresi said. "We ended up having a positive frame of mind going into the tournament Sunday." That positive frame of mind gave them what they needed to top Illinois 15-25, 25-23 and 15-8 in three games. Teresi credits outside hitter Chris Schulte as being the team's MVP of the weekend. "(Schulte) was just bombing balls all weekend," Teresi said. "Everyone in the gym knew that the majority of our offense was him, and he still could not be stopped." Teresi said the team is made up of a lot of different guys from different backgrounds, and many of the players played in high school.



SUBMITTED PHOTO  
The Eastern men's club volleyball team poses with its trophy from the Midwest Intercollegiate Volleyball Conference tournament championship.

He gives a lot of thanks to Eastern women team's coaches Brenda Winkeler and Melissa Beitz. "They are always willing to help us out any way that they can," Teresi said. Other officers consist of Pete Grazzini, captain; Matt Kulp, public relations; and

Roger Sugure, treasurer. Teresi, a junior, is in his first year of running the team, taking over for former women's assistant Ryan Thies, who is now coaching at Indiana University. For information on next season's tryouts, call Teresi at 348-6074.

## Short: Eastern can't come up with win in extra innings

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fielder Cassandra North set the tone for the inning. After North was moved into scoring position, another junior outfielder, Jessica Irps, came up with the big hit. Irps' RBI single scored the tying run and sent the game into extra innings. After the eighth inning the game remained tied at one, but the Illini took advantage of Becker's fatigue in the ninth inning. Starting with a single by infielder Katie O'Connell, the Illini promptly loaded the bases. Erin Jones came up with the clutch double, bringing home all

three of the base runners, which broke the game wide open. "Becker pitched a great game, and when a pitcher pitches that well, you want to let them finish what they start," Searle said. "But that is a situation where we really miss Trish Sanders, because she is our closer. When they got runners on, it would have been nice to turn to her." The Illini used that strategy and used their closer, Amanda Fortune, to pitch the last couple of innings. This worked well against Eastern, especially in the bottom of the ninth when she only allowed one walk. The first game of the double header was much less competitive as the Illini defeated Eastern 8-1. The Panthers started freshmen Ashley Condon who gave up seven runs in four innings. She allowed four walks and did

not strike out any batters. In this game, the Illini proved its talent was able to hit the ball for power and run the bases well. "This is my third year with this program, and I feel that this team is the most balanced we have had," Illinois manager Terri Sullivan said. "You can do a lot of things when you have a team that can both hit for power and have the speed to do some things on the basepaths." As Eastern looks forward to its Ohio Valley Conference schedule beginning, this double header against Illinois was supposed to allow the Panthers to see what point they were at. While the losses were disappointing, proving they could play with the Illini raised the Panthers' confidence as they start competition with teams they are much more familiar with.

## Control: Pignatiello's streak ends

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Chicago State starter Danny Braswell was stung by six Cougar errors. The junior allowed 11 runs on nine hits through 4 2/3 innings, but only two of the runs were earned. "This lineup is the order we feel is more offensive than any other," Schmitz said. Kyle Walters finished a home run shy of the cycle while centerfielder Jason Pinnel, who got his first collegiate hit and RBI, had a pair of hits. "Walters definitely had a big day along with Nolan who was battling a hamstring injury," Schmitz said. The only sour note was catcher Bret Pignatiello who had his school record streak of five consecutive games with a round-tripper as well as his 10-game hitting streak come to an end.

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## MEN'S AND WOMEN'S TRACK &amp; FIELD

# Seven-team field fights for classic

By Michael Gilbert  
STAFF WRITER

Seven teams from the Midwest, representing five conferences, will be in Charleston for the Big Blue Classic track and field meet Thursday through Saturday.

The Missouri Valley Conference will have the most representatives, as athletes from Bradley University, Illinois State and Indiana State are all scheduled to appear. Mid-majors, including the Horizon League and Mid-American Conference, will send talent from Wisconsin-Milwaukee and Ball State, respectively. Western Illinois, from the Mid-Continent Conference and Ohio Valley Conference Panthers of the will compete in Eastern's only home outdoor track and field meet of the year.

All schools, with the exception of Bradley will be sending their men's and women's programs. The Braves' women's crew will only be in the competition, but that squad features two women who had a field day during the indoor EIU Mega Meet and the EIU Quadrangular in January.

Tam Hart, a senior sprinter for the Braves, finished third in the mile run at the EIU Mega Meet and, a week later, took home first place in the 1,000-meter run at the EIU Quad. Hart's teammate, junior Teresa Caplinger, impressed in the mile by winning the event at the EIU Mega Meet. Both will be back this weekend.

The Redbirds of Illinois State will be flying high as they arrive from Normal. The men and women both started their outdoor seasons strong by placing second at the Saluki Spring Classic last week in Carbondale. Illinois State has a solid hammer and shot put crew led by Rhett Hillard who won both events at the Saluki Classic.

Indiana State got off to a fast start with the men and women winning the Bulldog Invitational hosted by Mississippi State last weekend. The Sycamores have a very talented sophomore sprinter in Alicia Miller. Miller won the 400-meter dash in 55.74, nearly two seconds ahead of her nearest competitor.

Wisconsin-Milwaukee got its season underway by participating in a meet at Western Michigan last Saturday. The event was not team-scored, but UW-Milwaukee did have

several strong performances including three first place finishers. Freshmen Ryan Mosher (100-meter) and Sean Cludy (triple jump) were both victorious, and junior Eric Gresham won the 400-meter dash.

The Ball State women will head into the meet after a disappointing finish at the NCAA Championships held last month in Terre Haute, Ind. The Cardinals placed 27th out of 31 teams. Senior distance runners Stacie Ritz and Jill Scully are the leaders on a team looking to turn things around at Eastern.

The final opponent for the Panthers will be local rival Western Illinois. The Leathernecks had their opener canceled due to rain. Men's and women's head coach Mike Stevenson admits his team may be rusty, but he is confident they are ready to go this weekend in their make-shift opener.

Eastern will face steep competition, but both the men and women come into the meet with confidence.

The men won the 2003 OVC Indoor Championships in March and started the outdoor season right where they left off by winning the Saluki Spring Classic.

Senior sprinter James Benson, who has a history of performing well at the Big Blue Classic, will lead the men. Benson had a personal best run in the 100-meter (10.64) at the 2001 'Classic' and will look forward to running on his home track.

On the women's side, sophomores Alicia Harris and Angie Simone will need a strong showing in order for the Panthers to be competitive. Head coach Mary Wallace was pleased with how the girls started their outdoor season last week.

Harris, in the sprints, and Simone, in the distances, had a good showing (at Southern Illinois)," Wallace said.

Eastern will get a boost from Tiffany Greenley in the throws. Throwing events are not held during the indoor season and Greenley is anxious to star.

"She (Greenley) is eager to get started and have a good meet," Wallace said.

Wallace is counting on the team as a whole, not certain individuals, to shine on Eastern's home track.

"We're looking for the team to have a big performance," Wallace said.

The Big Blue Classic will begin at 9 a.m. Thursday.



STEPHEN HAAS/ASSOCIATE PHOTO EDITOR

(Top) The men's track team looks to continue from a victory at the Saluki Spring Classic.

(Right) Senior distance runner Lauren Rapacki (left) and sophomore distance runner Angie Simone take some laps during practice.



## Erwin:


### Immature cry babies in baseball

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unfinished, forfeited game, and teams will also be forced to deal with pressure from networks losing millions because of a hothead with a bat and an ax to grind.

Fighting has no place in professional baseball and needn't be tolerated. A culture of revenge and retaliation may have sprung from a few well-placed inside pitches, but when standard measures can't quell an insurrection, it may be time to hit teams, not players, where it counts: the pocketbook.

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Ben Erwin  
STAFF EDITOR

## Sports hurt by childish professionals

Maybe it's because they're overpaid crybabies who sit out for months at a time, or maybe it's because they play the least intense and least physically demanding of all major American sports, but for whatever reason, baseball players sure do enjoy a good fight.

In the past few years, any high and inside fastball has become a reason to either retaliate in kind or simply charge the mound like a child throwing a tantrum.

Most recently, Mets catcher Mike Piazza went after Dodgers pitcher Guillermo Mota, and anyone watching the game saw the rage in Piazza's eyes.

After a pitch hit Piazza in the back, he felt compelled to charge the mound while Mota ran into the dugout and was escorted home after the game as protection from the still steaming Piazza.

In essence, fans are left with one guy getting beamed in a literally meaningless game and taking the offense as a personal attack, while a bench-clearing melee ensued and umpires were left standing helplessly by the wayside. Even when a hit batsman doesn't result in petty violence, a clear culture of violence and retaliation has sprung from baseball where it has become perfectly acceptable to intentionally go after players months after an incident.

So Piazza and any others involved in fighting will be fined and suspended. But how effective are either of these measures when a player chooses the games he misses and is ultimately able to deduct fines levied as a business expense? There is a reason fights are rarely seen at the college or minor league levels, and it is primarily because college players are quite possibly more mature than the average Major League Baseball player and such behavior is simply not tolerated at the college or minor league levels.

If you want to punish baseball players for charging the mound or degenerating a game into a bench-clearing brawl, forget fining the player a pittance he can simply earn back when tax season comes. Instead, give umpires the power to forfeit games when someone decides to charge the mound rather than take the base. Translation: You charge the mound, you lose the game.

But for some teams perennially out of contention, a loss has no effect on a season or team morale. In addition to a loss in the standings, why not take a team's portion of the money from the gate as well? While charging an individual player a few thousand dollars for a childish indiscretion most surely won't bring change, taking away six figures from a team will. Add to this television revenues lost for an

BASEBALL

## Panthers control cat fight

By Matthew Stevens  
SPORTS REPORTER

Eastern took care of Chicago State (2-15) in Wednesday's doubleheader with the Cougars, winning 9-6 and 11-6.

Eastern (10-14) used these two games in the middle of the week to prepare for its Ohio Valley Conference opening three-game series at Morehead State.

"The idea in a mid-week game is to get the freshman (pitchers) into a rhythm," Schmitz said.

Freshman left-hander Kirk Miller started game one and struggled to allow the Cougars to bat around in the opening inning. When the damage was done, Chicago State had four runs on four hits in the first inning. Miller did calm down and did not allow another another base hit for the next two innings he was on the mound.

Eastern responded with a two-run single from Kirk Walters and an RBI single courtesy of Danny Jordan.

Jared Marshall (2-1) relieved for the next two innings and gave up two runs on only two hits but received the victory for his work.

In the sixth, Mike Budde became the third consecutive freshman to see action by pitching a perfect inning.

The game was tied at six going into the sixth inning, but the Panthers got three runs in the next two innings off of Cougars reliever Alins Kyota (0-1) who suffered the loss.

Senior closer Nathan Stone picked up his third save of the season by earning two strikeouts in the final inning.

"It was nice for the veterans to close out both games for the freshmen," Schmitz said.

In the second game, freshman Alex Chapple made his NCAA debut and took a while to settle down. Chapple gave up a lead off of a single to Cougars left fielder Brian Grippo, and then walked the two batters. However, other than a run scoring wild pitch, Chapple was able to wiggle out of the jam.

In the Panthers' opening inning, Eastern scored four unearned runs off three hits and three Cougar errors. Designated hitter Nolan Cork's two-run single blow the inning wide open. Cork finished the pair of games 4-7 with three RBIs.

In the third, Chapple walked the first two batters and Cougars first baseman reached on a error by Chris Uhle.

Senior right-hander Matt Tyson (2-1) was called from the bullpen and received the victory after allowing only four scattered hits in four innings of work.

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Freshman pitcher Alex Chapple lasted two innings, giving up three runs (one earned) on one hit, but walked six batters in the second game of a doubleheader against Chicago State.

SOFTBALL

## Eastern falls short against Illini

By Aaron Seidlitz  
STAFF WRITER

Eastern manager Lloydene Searle watched as her team was able to hang with Illinois throughout the entire second game of a doubleheader against Illinois Wednesday. She also watched as her team managed to tie the game in the bottom of the seventh. But, ultimately, she watched another game slip away to the Fighting Illini.

Senior Kristen Becker pitched the entire ball game, even as it went into extra innings, but couldn't finish off the Illini in the eighth inning. Becker finished the game pitching nine innings, giving up 11 hits, four runs, two walks and striking out one batter.

Becker was matched by Illinois freshmen Jackalyn Diekemper, who pitched the first six innings of the ball game. She only gave up one run on four hits while striking out two and walking two.

The second game remained scoreless for the first six innings of Monday's second game. In the seventh, the Illini struck first with an RBI single by Rachelle Coriddi.

The Panthers answered back in the bottom half of the inning. A leadoff base hit by freshmen out



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Junior Kari Hagerty takes some warmup pitches before entering in the first game of the Panthers doubleheader against Illinois. Hagerty pitched three innings of relief, giving up one run on two hits.



# Greek diversity issues in black and white

Story by Nate Bloomquist ♦ Photo by Stephen Haas



Diversity is an important issue, most students say, but some in the greek community think it isn't carrying over there.

"I would say that the fraternities and sororities are all kind of the same," said Shonda Clancy, president of Sigma Gamma Rho sorority. "It seems like every other sorority has a stereotype or has a standard. They have to look like this, and they have to think like this. That's not right."

Clancy said Sigma Gamma Rho, a historically black sorority and a part of the Black Greek Council, doesn't admit members based on race. While no white members belong to the sorority, Clancy said there have been in the past. All six sisters of the sorority who live in Greek Court are black.

"I think our sorority is diverse," Clancy said. "We like it that way, and we think the rest of the greek community should strive to be that way."

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Lindsay Wilp, a sophomore family services major who is a member of Alpha Gamma Delta (left), and Jeff Sigler, a senior recreation administration major and a member of Delta Tau Delta, show the height diversity in the Greek system.

## BRAIN BUSTERS

The mind behind the questions for Collegiate Bowl reveals his methods for gathering them.

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## SING ALONG

Greeks gear up for Greek Sing, an event that features a "show choir" style of competition.

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## TUGS TIME

Competitors in tugs train for several months with some injury risks in preparation for Greek Week's showcase event.

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## ROW YOUR BOAT

The campus pond will fill up with boats full of greeks Thursday for the canoe competition.

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# For 52 years, Greek Week tugs plenty of history

By Avian Carrasquillo  
STUDENT GOVERNMENT EDITOR

With Greek Week overtaking campus this week, students may wonder how the week started.

Eastern's director of Greek Life, Robert Dudolski reflected on Eastern's greek history and the introduction of the Greek Week phenomenon.

Dudolski said the first fraternity at Eastern was Phi Sigma Kappa which was founded in 1930, but it is no longer recognized at Eastern.

Dudolski said the oldest existing fraternity is Sigma Pi, which was founded in 1949, and the oldest existing sorority is Sigma Sigma Sigma, founded in 1942. The oldest existing National Pan Hellenic Council greek organization is Alpha Phi Alpha, founded in 1968.

"Greek Week has been held on our campus for at least 52 years," Dudolski said. "The traditional events that have been held as a competition between the chapters include Greek Sing and the tug of war across the campus pond. There have been many events that have come and gone over the years, but those are the two staple events that have occurred throughout the years," Dudolski said.

Dudolski said the events of Greek Week are to highlight the variety of aspects that fraternities and sororities provide to their members including academic achievement through the Collegiate Bowl competition, philanthropy through the "Up 'til Dawn" for St. Jude Children's Hospital, community service through the annual Jefferson Elementary School Fun Day, athletic events such as "tugs" and cultural events such as Greek Sing and Airband.

"It also provides the fraternities and sororities a chance to reflect on their brotherhood and sisterhood," Dudolski said. "It allows them to come together to work on these projects and share their common experiences as a community."

## Diversity:

### Some greeks say more outreach needed for diversity to be achieved

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Bob Dudolski, director of greek life, said a greek community only can be as diverse as the rest of the campus.

"I think the greek community has changed with the times," Dudolski said. "As universities become more representative, I think the students get more. There's always room for dialogue for that."

Dudolski said the background of students who live in Greek Court matches that of the rest of the campus.

Of the 479 residents of Greek Court this semester, 424 are white (88.5 percent), 37 are of Asian decent (8 percent), seven are Hispanic (1.5 percent), seven did not list an ethnic background and there are no Native Americans or international students.

Enrollment figures from the fall semester state 86 percent of the campus enrollment (11,163) is white, 7 percent black, 2 percent Hispanic, .7 percent Asian, .1 percent international, and .1 percent Native American.

Some diversity dialogue began two months ago. Fraternities and sororities participated in an event called "Seeking Alliances through Leadership and Diversity." Representatives from fraternities and sororities talked to Recognized Student Organizations about what his or her fraternity had to offer.

The event was designed as a way to reach out to the rest of campus.

"It was meant to bring awareness, and it was to bring our three government councils together and to see that the needs of all students being met," Dudolski said.

Alpha Phi sorority president Allison Chrelkeld, a junior accounting major, said she thinks her sorority is diverse. But according to statistics released by the Department of Housing and Dining, all 26 residents of the Alpha Phi House

are white.

"We don't use race as a factor of joining," Chrelkeld said. "If there's an African American who wants to join, we'd treat them just like any other. The fact that they are a black could be a plus — it just depends on what way you look at it."

Michelle Ortiz, one of three Hispanic members of the Alpha Sigma Tau sorority house, said she joined the sorority over the Hispanic sorority on campus, so she could be involved in Greek Week and other activities.

"We're not a very diverse group," said Ortiz, a senior speech communication major. "Race is never an issue with us, and I don't think it is in the greek community."

Ortiz said she thinks a lack of diversity isn't an issue in the greek community, but others disagree.

Tavian Espisloti, president of Lambda Theta Phi, a historically Hispanic fraternity, said diversity in the greek community shows plenty of room for improvement.

"I think the diversity is working, but I also think it could be better," Espisloti, a senior finance major, said. "It's come a long way from the past couple of decades. Most fraternities are well-known nationally, and that has helped."

He thinks a push for diversity should be of the utmost importance to those in the greek community.

"We have all kinds of different people in this world," he said. "The only way we're going to learn anything about other people is to have diversity."

Clancy thinks more events like Unity Week would help the greek community reach out across racial and ethnic lines.

"We need to collaborate," Clancy said. "Right now, I think a lot of organizations are for themselves."

## Greek Court breakdown

House	White	Black	Hispanic	Asian	International
Alpha Gamma Delta	35	0	0	0	0
Alpha Phi	28	0	0	0	0
Alpha Sigma Alpha	24	0	0	0	0
Alpha Sigma Tau	31	0	3	1	0
Delta Chi	28	1	1	1	0
Delta Sigma Phi	21	0	1	0	0
Delta Sigma Theta	0	6	0	0	0
Delta Zeta	23	4	0	0	0
Kappa Delta	30	0	0	0	0
Lambda Chi Alpha	26	2	0	0	0
Phi Beta Sigma	1	6	0	0	0
Pi Kappa Alpha	18	0	1	1	0
Sigma Chi	29	0	0	0	0
Sigma Gamma Rho	0	6	0	0	0
Sigma Kappa	37	0	1	0	0
Sigma Nu	26	1	0	0	0
Sigma Phi Epsilon	31	5	0	1	0
Sigma Sigma Sigma	34	0	0	0	0
Zeta Phi Beta	2	6	0	0	0
Total	424	37	7	4	0
Percentage	90	7	1.5	.8	0
% campus wide*	87	7	2	.7	1.3

Source: Housing and Dining Office  
\*Source: Enrollment office

This is not to say no such of outreach exists.

"There are a lot of white fraternities who reached out to us," Espisloti said. "I think definitely that type of outreach is better among greeks in general. We'd do the same for them."

Clancy said improved diversity could start with the rush process.

"It's really competitive," Clancy said. "You're always trying to recruit members for your own group. We compete more than we try to unify."

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# Greek Week packed with competitions

◆ Events mark highlight of year for greek community

By Jennifer Chiariello  
ACTIVITIES EDITOR

"Let the Greek Times Roll" is the theme of this year's Greek Week.

Lara Renner, co-chair of Greek Week, said the week is the highlight of the school year for fraternities and sororities.

"The goal of Greek Week is to bring chapters together and to have a good time," Renner said.

Greek Week events include: bingo, Airband and Coronation, Greek Sing, tugs, pyramids, canoe races, collegiate bowl, unity bowling, Jefferson Sunday and fun games.

Greek Week also sponsored the "St. Jude's Up Til Dawn" lock-in fundraiser Saturday.

Eastern has had the event in the past, but this was the first time it was sponsored by Greek Week, Renner said.

The awards banquet will conclude Greek Week.

Awards and scholarships will be presented to the first, second and third place trophies awarded by point accumulation during the week.

Each Greek Week event is judged on a point scale by the Greek Week steering committee.

Points are given for participation and place in competitions and chapter attendance at events.

The committee consists of about 45 members of different fraternities and sororities and was selected by interview process in November by the Greek Week co-chairs and Bob Dudolski, director of Greek Life.

Co-chairs were selected by an interview process in October by the interfraternity president, the panhellenic president and Dudolski.

The steering committee is broken down into 14 committees that oversee the different events.

Greek Sing and Airband are judged by four judges with musical background, not student judges.

The elections for king and queen of Greek Week are selected by an application, interview and ballot process.

More information on Greek Week is available at [www.eiu.edu/~greekwk](http://www.eiu.edu/~greekwk).



FILE PHOTO

A participant in the 1999 Airband competition dances and lip syncs. Airband is one of Greek Week's marquee events. Other events include bingo, coronation, greek sing, tugs, pyramids, canoe races, collegiate bowl, unity bowling,

# Collegiate Bowl tests greek IQs

By Chris Luther  
STAFF WRITER

The Collegiate Bowl, a chance for fraternities and sororities to test their knowledge against peers, will be held from 6 to 11 p.m. Tuesday in the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union.

"All fraternities and sororities have the opportunity to participate in the Collegiate Bowl," said Lara Renner, co-chair of Greek Week and a senior career and technological education major.

Representatives from sororities and fraternities are paired on teams for the event.

Each match lasts 15 minutes and each team has one captain.

If the initial, toss-up question is answered correctly, the team is given 10 points. After the first question is

answered correctly, the team gets a chance to answer a bonus question.

"Teams are determined by luck," sophomore English major Jenn Grim said. "Sorority and fraternity names are placed in a hat. Teams are picked randomly."

Teams are made up of four people.

"The questions are made up of mostly academic information. Some of them are miscellaneous information too," Grim said.

Howard Price, journalism professor, writes all of the questions used in the Collegiate Bowl.

"I make about 600 questions for the toss-up questions and about 300 bonus questions," Price said. "However, all the bonus questions have four parts."

The questions Price makes for the Collegiate Bowl come from entertainment, science, current events, history and miscellaneous sources.

"I make a very wide range of questions," Price said. "I find it very interesting to see how much people know."

Price gives the questions to the Collegiate Bowl Committee, and the committee asks the questions during the event.

The Collegiate Bowl Committee is a two-person committee and consists of Joe King, a senior hospitality major, and Stephanie Hackett, a senior special education major.

"Not many people view the Collegiate Bowl as a major event in Greek week," Grim said. "However, the bowl gives the same amount of points as the majority of the other events."

*"I make a very wide range of questions. I find it very interesting to see how much people know."*

—Howard Price

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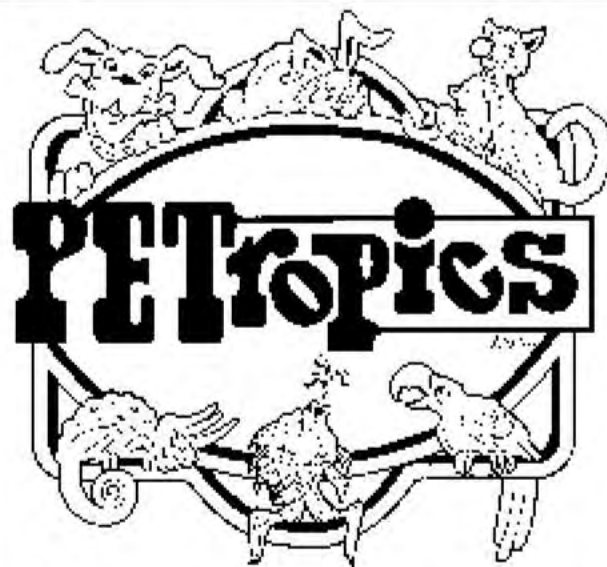
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# Greeks will sing for their supper

◆ *Greek Sing brings 'show choir' style music to Lantz*

By Matthew Kent

ACTIVITIES REPORTER

The Greek Sing competition Sunday will be a vocal free-for-all, and is part of the 52nd annual Greek Week.

Members of Eastern fraternities and sororities will compete in formal and informal categories. Informal competitions consist of switching around lyrics to songs, said Andy Zalon, co-chair of Greek Week.

Each chapter picks its own music for the show choir-style performance, which is the largest amateur choral competition in the Midwest, said Lara Renner, fellow co-chair of Greek Week.

Renner said each chapter is limited to five minutes during each performance and is allowed to spend \$20 per costume.

Renner called Greek Sing a "show-choir" and said at least 50 percent of each sorority house's members must participate in Greek Sing to be eligible; 25 percent of each fraternity house's members must participate.

Each chapter has a director, which can be any active member. Each chapter can practice an unlimited hours from 8 a.m. to midnight to prepare.

Chapters are limited to a piano, drum set and three hand-held instruments. Participants also are limited to a minimum of six people singing at once up to 45 seconds, a press release said.

The points-based competition will be judged by four judges — all of whom have musical backgrounds, Renner said.

The judges include: Althea Pendergast, Sandy Reed, Fran Daniels and associate professor of music Patricia Poulter.

"There is a lot of competition involved in every event."

—Lara Renner

Each chapter is awarded five points for participation while additional points will be distributed for first place (six points); second place (five points); third place (four points) and fourth place (three points).

Judging is based on a scale of one to 10 on diction, musicianship, tone, level of difficulty and overall presentation, Zalon said.

Differing numbers of points will be up for grabs in every event.

"There is a lot of competition involved in every event," Renner said.

Last year's sorority winners were: first place, Sigma Sigma Sigma; second place, Kappa Delta; and third place, Alpha Sigma Tau.

The 2002 fraternity winners were: first place formal division, Sigma Phi Epsilon, and first place informal division, Sigma Nu.

The event is open to the public and tickets will be sold at Lantz Arena before the event, which will begin at 1 p.m. Sunday in Lantz Arena.

Tickets are available for \$8 for floor seats, while balcony seats will be available for \$5.

"It's a tradition that many alumni and parents come down for," Zalon said.



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Above: Corinne Whitlatch leads her Sigma Kappa sorority sisters in song during Greek Sing practice Tuesday in the chapter house. The event will be at 1 p.m. Sunday.



Left: Sigma Kappa sisters D'Anna Cepela and Lindsay Rosales practice one of their songs for Greek Sing Tuesday in the chapter house.

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Above: A sorority member is knee deep in the Campus Pond as she struggles to pull on the rope in a game of tug of war for Greek Week.

Right: Two women grit their teeth and pull on the rope in their attempt to win the tug of war competition.



# Greeks hold, pull to avoid a dip in the campus pond

◆ *Tugs competition involves training, injuries not uncommon*

By Matt McCarthy  
STAFF WRITER

Competitors in the tug of war competition will try to pull the other team into the Campus Pond next to Lantz Arena.

The victors' motivation, if nothing else, will be to remain dry.

Tug of war, a favorite competition between fraternities and sororities, will leave rivals dripping in success or failure.

Greek organizations began practice for tugs on Feb. 3, which gave everyone plenty of time to prepare for the battle.

John McFall, a member of Sigma Nu, explained the weight and total person qualifications. The little men and the women can have a maximum of 10 tuggers, while the big men can have only eight. The women cannot exceed 1,650 pounds, and the big men can not exceed 1,800 pounds. Little men must be no more than 170 pounds each.

"A lot of what we we work on in training has to do with our leg endurance and weight," McFall said. "Lunges and weight lifting are typical exercises we do, as well as watching what we eat."

For the female competition, the training is very similar to the men's routine.

"We work on building up our leg endurance most of all," said Cathy Frasier, captain of the Alpha Sigma Tau tug team. "It is the most necessary factor in having a winning team."

Tugs with women and little men start Monday. The big men competition starts the Tuesday.

Team dedication shows when the teams are seen preparing for it all of the time around campus, McFall said.

"The teams practice night and day, in rain or shine," McFall said.

"A lot of what we work on in training has to do with our leg endurance and weight."

—John McFall

Kristan Slover, of the Sigma Sigma Sigma sorority, said her team goes the extra mile, literally.

"Our group of girls do sprints, long distance running and even stair running in preparation for the tugs," she said.

Frasier said much of the training is focused on snapping and how team members are set. Snapping consists of the initial tug when teams run out at the same time as the other side hoping to get an upper-hand in the tug.

The difference between a good snap and a failed one is either detrimental or helpful to the outcome of a tug, she said.

Sometimes their perseverance may go too far, as a few injuries are related to tugs.

"A lot of the girls end up with sore and bruised ribs and bruising under the arms due to the snaps and tension their bodies have to endure," Slover said. "Worst case scenarios could even include pulled sockets!"

The threat of injury is intimidating to some potential tugs members.

"Some people at the beginning of training just can't cut it, and they end up quitting," McFall said.

Anyone can be a tugger, assuming, of course, they are in a fraternity or sorority.

"It takes a little athleticism, much dedication and a lot of practice," Barrie Grapenphen, captain of the Sigma Kappa tug team, said. "A winning team has a combination of those traits, as well as an attitude that they will win."

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# Coronation way for greeks to represent their houses

## Nine males vie for king title

## Seven women will compete for queen of Greek Week

By Jennifer Chiariello  
ACTIVITIES EDITOR

Nine male candidates will represent their fraternity chapters for Greek Week Coronation.

"All candidates are chapter nominated," said Andy Zalon, a senior industrial technology major and co-chair of Greek Week.

King candidates are judged by the following scale: 60 percent by interviews with judges, 30 percent by the student body and 10 percent by their applications.

Females vote for male candidates, and males vote for female candidates. Students with a Panther Card can vote at a table set up during Unity Bingo, which will be held from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday in the Library Quad. The event is open to all students and will have free food and prizes.

The candidates include: Joe Mark, of Sigma Phi Epsilon; Bob VanDeven, of Sigma Nu; Joe King, of Delta Tau Delta; Jason Antesberger, of Sigma Pi; Jared Mathey, of Sigma Chi; Anthony Carbonari, of Delta Sigma Phi; Lee Benbenek, of Delta Chi; Matt Beck, of Pi Kappa Alpha; and Jim Gawla, of Lambda Chi Alpha.

"I'm honored to represent my house for

Greek Week," VanDeven said. "It is a good experience and good practice with interviewing."

Benbenek said coronation is a good way to show fraternal pride.

"It's a good week for the fraternities and sororities to compete against each other and represent their houses as best as they can," Benbenek said. "It's my way to best represent my house, and not only my house, but the chapter itself."

Coronation will be held in conjunction with Airband. During the intermission of airband performances, Coronation candidates will be introduced with a brief biography as they walk down the aisle, Zalon said.

A presentation of past kings and queens also will be given. Winners will be crowned and given a sash, plaque and/or trophy.

Winners also will receive points toward Greek Week scores that will be tallied at the end of the week.

"It's nice to see everybody support their brother (fraternity) or sister (sorority). It shows camaraderie," Zalon said.

Airband will be held from 7 to 10 p.m. Saturday in Lantz Arena.

By Tara Dunham  
STAFF WRITER

Seven very nervous, yet very excited girls will represent their sororities Saturday.

The female candidates for this year's Greek Week coronation are Leah Thomas, of Alpha Sigma Alpha; Courtney Mullin, of Sigma Sigma Sigma; Desiree Collado, of Sigma Kappa; Andrea Taylor, of Alpha Gamma Delta; Annie Frederick, of Alpha Sigma Tau; Lori Coyle, of Kappa Delta; and Jenny Hayes, of Delta Zeta.

Each chapter nominates one woman it thinks best represents its house in every aspect to run for queen. The nominee then fills out an application and turns it into the Elections Coronation Committee, said Andy Zalon, co-chair of Greek Week.

"I am honored that my sisters would nominate me to represent my house," Thomas said. "It's a great way to represent Alpha Sigma Alpha during Greek week."

The three judges are faculty members who are not associated with greeks or the greek system; therefore, conflict of interest

does not occur, Zalon said.

"We try to work with the same judges every year to keep consistency."

The judges conduct individual interviews with each candidate.

The interviews are worth 60 percent of the candidates' final scores. Another 30 percent is from voting, and the last 10 percent is from each girl's application.

"I was nervous about my interview, but I think it went pretty good," Coyle said.

Frederick, a first-time candidate, said, "It's the greatest honor I've ever had throughout the past four years in my sorority."

The coronation for both king and queen will be held Saturday night during the intermission of Airband, another Greek Week competition where groups lip sync to songs.

Coyle said she's a little nervous but is anticipating Saturday.

"Mostly I'm really excited. It's my first time and I'm excited to represent my chapter."

Airband will be held from 7 to 10 p.m. in Lantz Arena.

# Keynote speaker to address improving greek community

◆ *Event returns after a two year hiatus*

By Ameer Bohrer  
STAFF WRITER

A very articulate barn animal will be the keynote speaker for Greek Week this year.

Rick Barn, an alumnus of the agricultural fraternity Farm House at Texas Tech University was chosen this year.

Barn will speak at 7 p.m. Wednesday in the Grand Ballroom of the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union.

Bob Dudolski, director of greek life, said Barn will address "steps to improve the greek community itself by taking action, and the core values to greek life."

Barn has spoken on more than 150 campuses before. He also is on the Board of Trustees for the North American Inter-

### Keynote address

- ◆ Who: Rick Barn
- ◆ Topic: Improving the greek community
- ◆ When: 7 p.m. Wednesday
- ◆ Where: Grand Ballroom

Fraternity Council.

Alex Gornik, President of Sigma Sigma Sigma sorority, said the presentation "will be

good for all the chapters on campus since they can better recognize why they are greek and what is expected of them."

A keynote speaker has not been a regular event during greek week every year.

The last time greek week celebrated with a keynote address was two years ago when Nonie Cameron spoke on relationships and dating etiquette.

Some of the important themes of Greek Week are "reflecting

on membership and leadership and bringing the chapters together as community so they can have a little fun," Dudowski said.

Gornik also said Greek Week is important.

"It improves all the chapters' morale, and everyone has a lot of fun," Gornik said. "(Greek Week) shows the community all the effort greeks put forth, and lets all our talents shine through."

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# Greek Life director has roots in Iowa's Delta Sigma Phi

By Avian Carrasquillo  
STUDENT GOVERNMENT EDITOR

It all began in Iowa. Bob Dudolski, director of Greek Life, grew up in Sumner, Iowa, until he graduated from high school. He then attended the University of Iowa where he got his first taste of Greek life when he joined the Delta Sigma Phi fraternity on campus. Dudolski majored in vocal music performance and eventually transferred to a small private college called Wartburg College in Waverly, Iowa, where he received his bachelor of music and education degrees. "I did do some professional vocal performing for a while," he said. "But during that experience, I made the decision that I wanted to pursue a career in higher education. I had served as a resident assistant during my time at Wartburg College, and from my fraternity experience in Delta Sigma Phi and my experience in residence life, I found that my passion lies in higher education."

Dudolski began his career at Eastern in Student Affairs through the university housing department as an associate resident director in Greek Court. He has been at the university for seven years.

In the fall of 1996, he was in the Pi Kappa Alpha and Alpha Sigma Alpha chapter houses in Greek Court as their assistant resident director while he worked on his masters degree in the Counseling and Educational Psychology Department.

Dudolski gained his masters of science in education in College Student Affairs, and when the greek adviser position became open in the spring of 1999, he was appointed the acting assistant direc-

tor of Student Life/Greek Affairs. During the fall of 1999, a University Housing Office representative approached him to take on the responsibility of supervising Greek Court Housing as well as the role of greek adviser. "At that time, Shirley Stewart was the associate vice president for student affairs and combined the responsibilities together to create the director of Greek Life position where I served in the acting position until being officially hired full time by the university where I have now served as the director of greek life," Dudolski said.

Dudolski has a hectic schedule describing all of his responsibilities. "My job is to oversee all functions related to fraternities and sororities on our campus," Dudolski said.

In addition to that role, he advises the major governing councils including the Interfraternity Council, the National Pan Hellenic Council and the Panhellenic Council and all of the member chapters, all of the major greek programs on campus including recruitment, the NPHC Step Show and Greek Week. Dudolski also oversees the operations of Greek Court Housing, including supervising the Greek Court staff and serving as a liaison between the university, the fraternities/sororities, their alumni and their national organizations.

In what little spare time Dudolski has left over, he serves on the Delta Sigma Phi Fraternity National



Bob Dudolski

Grand Council, the North American Interfraternity Conference House of Delegates and the Association of Fraternity Advisors. He was awarded the American College Personnel Association this spring for Outstanding New University Administrator Award called 'Annuit Coeptis.'

"My experience here at Eastern has been extremely positive and that is based on the outstanding students I get the privilege of working with each day," Dudolski said. "I truly love the greek students on our campus, and the student leaders I get to see on a daily basis know that I consider them 'my kids' and I do my best to take care of them."

Dudolski said he knows that as director of greek life, he may not always make the popular choice, even if it's best for an organization.

"At times, through my position, I am viewed as holding the chapters back from doing what they consider fun," he said. "But I also know that eventually they come around to see that I only want the best for them and to gain the best experience possible by living up to their fraternity and sorority rituals and values."

Dudolski said students of the greek community constantly break negative stereotypes associated with greek life through their performances.

"Our greek student leaders are extremely intelligent and driven by the pursuit of excellence and that has been proven by consistently being recognized and awarded each year through the Greek Council's National Association," Dudolski said. "I am very blessed to be associated with the EIU fraternity and sorority community."




FILE ART

Alicia Wroblewski, of Alpha Phi, attempts to catch eggs in a wire basket on top of her head last year during one of the many Greek Week activities. As director of Greek Life, Bob Dudolski oversees and helps with all greek events and matters, including Greek Week.

## Greek Week events

- ◆ **Friday**
  - ◆ Bingo, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., Library
  - ◆ Quad Election voting, noon to 4 p.m., Library Quad
- ◆ **Saturday**
  - ◆ Airband/Coronation, 7 to 10 p.m., Lantz Arena
- ◆ **Sunday**
  - ◆ Greek Sing, 1 p.m., Lantz Arena
- ◆ **Monday**
  - ◆ Tugs, little men, 4 p.m., campus pond, followed by women and big men
- ◆ **Tuesday**
  - ◆ Pyramids, 4 p.m., campus pond, followed with canoe races
  - ◆ Collegiate Bowl, 6 p.m. to 11 p.m., University Ballroom
- ◆ **Wednesday**
  - ◆ Tugs, little men, 4 p.m., campus pond, followed by big men
  - ◆ Greek Week key note speaker, 7 p.m., Grand Ballroom
  - ◆ Unity Event, bowling and billiards, 9 p.m., Union bowling alley
- ◆ **Thursday**
  - ◆ Fun day at Jefferson Elementary School, 8:30 to 10:30 a.m., 12:30 to 2:30 p.m., Jefferson Elementary School
- ◆ Fun games, 4 p.m., campus pond
- ◆ **Friday**
  - ◆ Tugs, little men, 3 p.m., campus pond, followed by women's and big men
- ◆ **Saturday**
  - ◆ Tugs final, 2 p.m., campus pond
- ◆ **April 17**
  - ◆ Greek awards banquet, 6 p.m., Grand Ballroom

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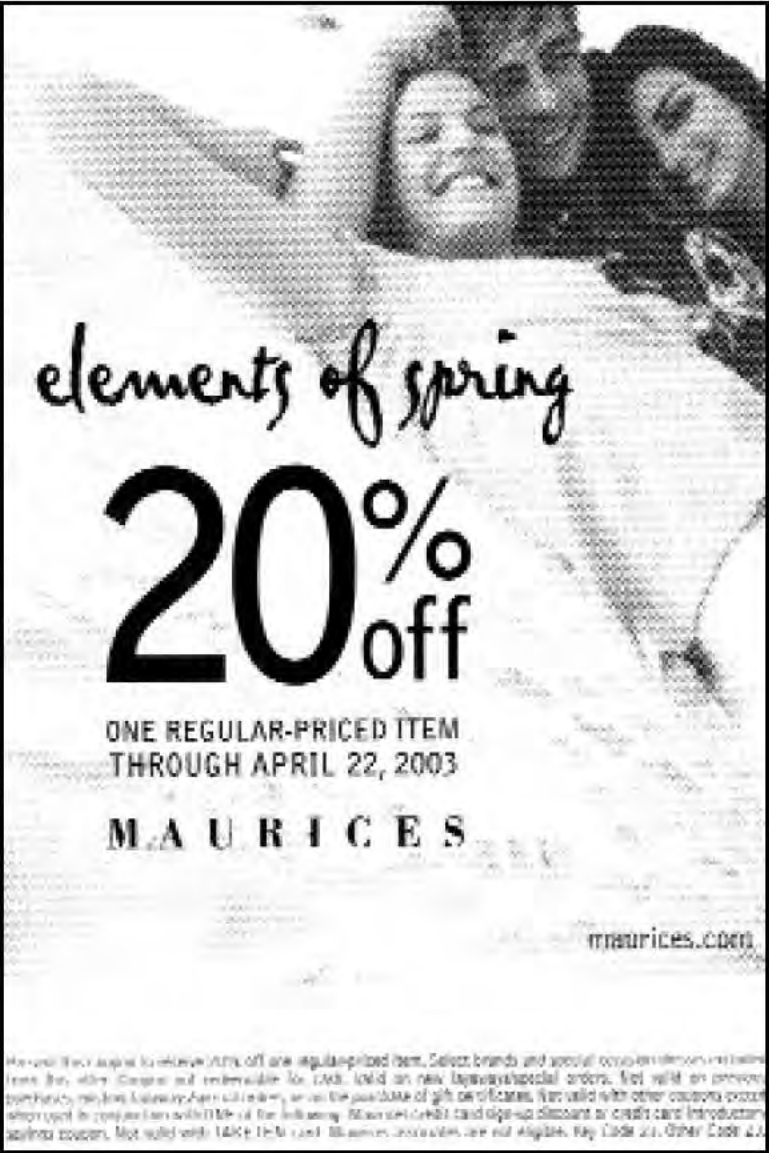
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Members of a sorority form a pyramid for the Greek Week competition. Participants are judged on speed and time. They also must keep their heads up for a few minutes.

# Climbing to the top of the pyramid

By Lea Erwin  
STAFF WRITER

Running, climbing, balance — they're all involved in the annual Greek Week's Pyramids contest.

Pyramids are part of Fun Games, which will begin Tuesday near the campus pond and also includes canoe races and tug of war.

Pyramids consist of 10 people per team. Participants run down the 25-yard lane in three to four heats, or sections at the zone at the end, and then form a pyramid, said Corey Duzan, of the rules and games committee.

He said no prizes will be awarded this year, but participants will earn points for their chapters.

The teams are picked at random, and sometimes organizers fill in spots to make up the teams, Duzan said.

Pyramids usually take about 20 minutes to a half an hour and consist of nine fraternities and nine sororities; one captain per team is allowed to organize the chapter.

The sororities compete against each other and the fraternities compete against each other, said Ryan Nicholson, of the Greek

*"Some are real, real competitive — some choose the day off."*

—Andy Zalon

Week rules and games committee.

Participants usually have a lot of speed and ability, Nicholson said.

Andy Zalon, a senior industrial technology major and co-chair of Greek Week, said choosing captains depends on the chapter.

"Some are real, real competitive — some choose the day off," he said.

The judges for these teams rate performance on such factors as speed and time. Participants also have to keep their arms locked and heads up for a few minutes while in the pyramid.

The top three teams with the best times advance to the final round.

At the end of Fun Games, each chapter tallies up the points resulting in a first, second and third place.

# Greeks will paddle canoes as part of Greek Week games

By Carly Mullady  
CITY EDITOR

Greek Week games participants will paddle their way to victory in the canoe race category.

Eighteen fraternities and sororities will compete in the races.

"There will be one canoe per fraternity or sorority," said Greek Week co-chair Andy Zalon.

Two members of each fraternity or sorority will be in each canoe at one time and will paddle their fastest from start to finish.

"There will be one heat, and the winners will be chosen based on time," Zalon said.

Contestants will begin in their canoes at a starting point near the pond's bridge. Zalon said the finishing point of the race is directly across from the bridge on the opposite side of the pond.

The canoe races will take place in the Campus Pond near Lantz Arena. They are scheduled for Tuesday following the Greek Week Pyramids contest.

Pyramids are scheduled to begin at 4 p.m.

Zalon said most canoe racing participants do not have preparation time beforehand.

"We get the canoes for the race from a place in Danville, so I doubt anyone gets a chance to practice," he said.


Last year's sorority winners were Alpha Gamma Delta in first place, Kappa Delta second place and Delta Zeta received third place, co-chair Lara Renner said.

Sigma Pi reigned as canoe race champions last year followed by Sigma Chi in second place and Sigma Phi Epsilon in third place.



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Two members of a sorority form race in the canoe portion of Greek Week. Participants normally do not get to prepare much before the event.



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