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## Runners on the panther prowl

The race concludes the running camp.

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# Student Recreation Center gets new equipment

♦ *Apportionment Board allocation allows Student Recreation Center to pump up its equipment inventory. Students give rave reviews.*

By Avian Carrasquillo  
EDITOR IN CHIEF

The Student Recreation Center is currently in the process of replacing some of the older machines that have been around from the center's opening in 1991. The new equipment was funded by the Apportionment Board, which delegates student activity fees to the five fee-funded boards consisting of Campus Recreation, University Board, The Dramatic Players, Student Government and the Apportionment Board.

The AB also provides general supervision of all expenditures of student activity funds.

Ken Baker, director of campus recreation, said that he went to the AB with three proposals. One was to fix equipment as it broke down, which became a problem with the Trotter company, which had gone out of business. The second proposal was for a piece by piece replacement, which Baker said would not have been good for continuity. The third request which Baker admits was a bit unusual was for a multi-year commitment from the AB to replace the old equipment.

"In the end, the AB decided a multi-year commitment would've been an unfair commitment to make for future Apportionment Boards, but they worked with us," Baker said.

In April, the AB voted 4-3 in favor of allocating an additional \$38,000 to the student recreation center in addition to the \$194,000 allocated for their 2004 fiscal year budget.

Since a longstanding AB bylaw mandated that \$100,000 be kept in the reserve account



PHOTO BY JOAQUIN OCHOA / PHOTO EDITOR

Senior math education major Todd Miller incorporates the new rubber weights into his exercise routine. The new weights were purchased with money allocated by the Apportionment Board.

at all times. The AB voted to change the bylaw to lower their reserve account from \$100,000 to \$75,000 to be able to allocate the funds to the Student Recreation Center.

In addition to the allocation, the AB passed a resolution that would extend to future AB boards. The resolution called for future allocations to the student recreation center when it was financially feasible to do so.

Prior to any purchases, Baker said he surveyed students to see what equipment was

desired. Surveys were made available at the student recreation center and printed in *The Daily Eastern News*.

Baker said he looked at four major manufacturers, traveling over 1,000 miles to and from Chicago and St. Louis with student workers and members of the Apportionment Board to look at equipment.

"In the end we went with Nautilus. Could we have gone cheaper? Sure, but I didn't want to take that risk with the over 2,000 stu-

dents a day that go through the rec center," Baker said.

Of the allocation Baker said it gives students a chance to see their money at work right away, instead of having to wait a couple of years.

"We promised the students it would be here in the fall when they got back, and it's there, we don't take promises lightly. As a matter of fact the equipment was delivered on June 30."

Baker said the equipment that was replaced was traded in and provided the student recreation center with an extra \$15,000 for equipment purchases, along with \$15,000 the student recreation center provided on their own.

"Our goal is to replace the remainder of the weight machines this coming year. The old machines are the original equipment from 1991 when the SRC opened," Baker said.

Baker said that more equipment will be purchased for the coming school year with money allocated by the AB for their fiscal year 2004 budget.

Todd Javorski, a Student Recreation Center worker, and a senior physical education major said that so far everyone that has commented on the new equipment has given it good reviews.

Becky Smith, an Eastern alum said the new equipment has brought a welcome change to her exercise routine.

Todd Miller, senior math education major said he noticed the difference in results he got from the new equipment.

"Before, when I would use the metal weights they were flimsier and not as steady."

The rubber weights are a lot sturdier, and it's easier to keep your balance with them. It really makes a big difference," Miller said.

Baker said that most importantly, there has been a great response from the students.

"I am looking forward to the fall when the rest of the students return," Baker said.

## EIU in four and no more

♦ *Program designed to get students in and out of Eastern in four years.*

By Joaquin Ochoa  
MANAGING EDITOR

After 104 freshman students signed up for EIU Four last year. Eastern's EIU Four Coordinator Joshua Hayes hopes to double that amount for this year's incoming freshman class.

"As of right now, we're still getting numbers in and we're at 63. Our goal is to get to 200," Hayes said.

Changes in EIU Four's deadline will help Hayes meet those goals. Last year's freshman had to decide by the end of their first semester. This year's freshman will have a May 1 deadline.

According to EIU Four, Nationwide statistics stated that more than half of all college students were taking longer than four years to complete a four year degree. EIU Four guarantees graduation in four years or Eastern will pay the cost of any remaining courses.

"It obviously gives them time and money and provides them with additional support throughout the four years," Hayes said.

Eastern students seeking to get into education won't be eligible to take part in EIU Four because not all of the degrees offered at Eastern are valid for eligibility into EIU Four. Any degree with teacher certification or other certification.

The possibility of a guaranteed four year teacher certification or education major is difficult to consider Hayes said.

"It's not impossible at this time, but there are no concrete signs for the future. There's a good portion of the student population who will be ineligible for the guarantee," Hayes said.

Hayes added, "Some majors have a little tighter sequencing, but our academic advisers have provided me with four year sequences."

Hayes hopes it will generate interest in students and parents who are interested in completing a four year degree at Eastern.

The future of EIU Four is uncertain but Susan Ambrose, assistant director of admissions agrees with the positive possibilities of EIU Four. "It's a good deal for the kids, if they can get education in there it could be a great draw for Eastern. At this point we don't know what the rewards will be," Ambrose said.

Tangible statistics and analysis of EIU Four will be best made when last year's inaugural EIU Four freshman students graduate, three years from now.

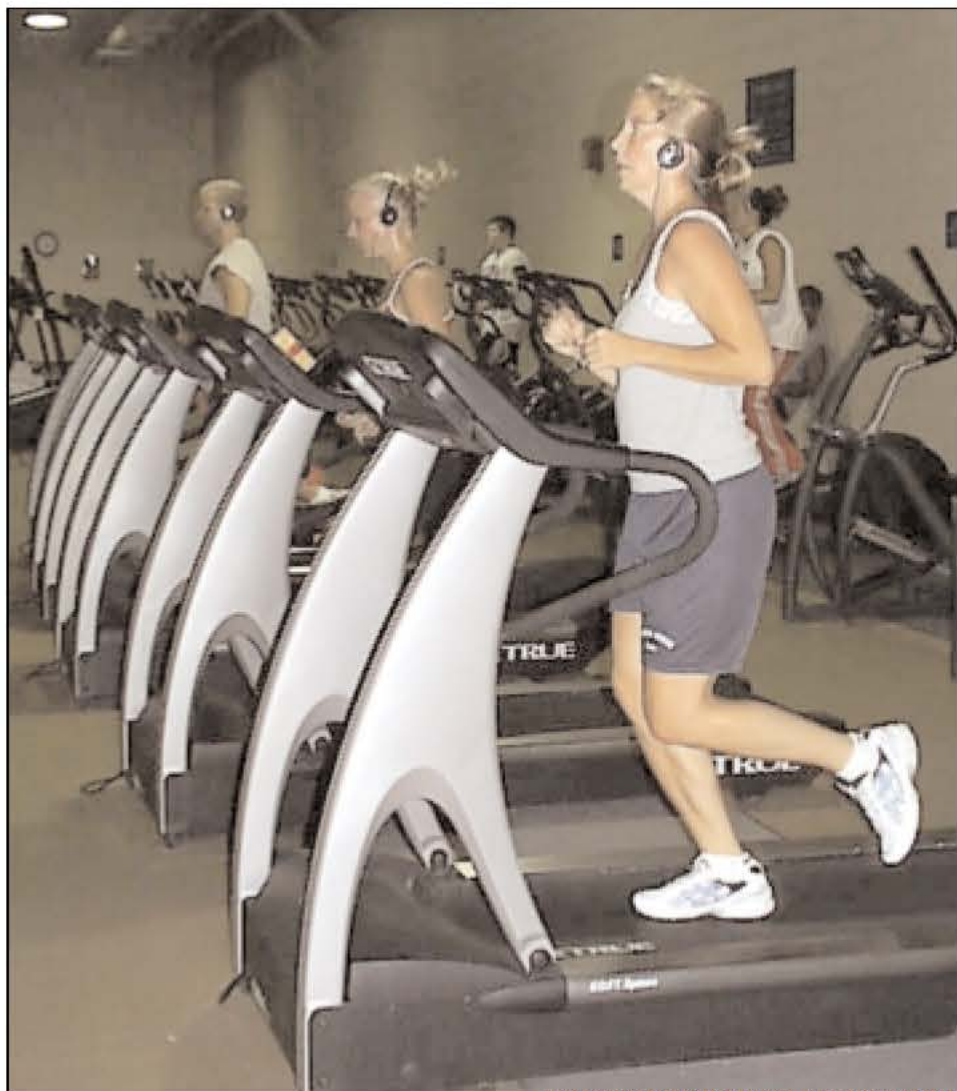









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A student jogs on one of the new treadmills bought with money from student activity fees that were delegated to the Student Recreation Center in April by the Apportionment Board.



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# Conjoined twins die in separation surgery

SINGAPORE (AP) — Iranian twins Laleh and Ladan Bijani, joined at the head for 29 years, died within 90 minutes of each other Tuesday after doctors separated them but were unable to control their bleeding in the unprecedented surgery.

In their homeland, people cried out in shock or wept as state television broke out normal programming to announce their deaths during the third day of surgery in Singapore.

"Is my beloved Ladan really not with us anymore?" Zari Bijani, an elder sister of the twins, said after Ladan's death was reported. Seconds later, she fainted.

Hospital officials said Ladan died 90 minutes ahead of her sister Laleh, with both deaths because of blood loss. They died while still under anesthesia.

"Everyone upstairs is crying," said the nurse, speaking on condition of anonymity. "We treated them like family because they had been here for seven months."

It was the first time surgeons tried to separate adult craniofacial twins. The surgery has been performed successfully since 1952 on infants, whose brains can more easily recover.

The twins had gone into the surgery saying they knew the risks but wanted to achieve their dream of living independent lives. Speaking in English to journalists last month, their joined heads wrapped in a single scarf, the smiling and laughing sisters said they wanted for the first to look at each other face-to-face.

"We have different ideas about our lives,"

Laleh said. "Actually, we are opposites," Ladan interrupted.

"If God wants us to live the rest of our lives as two separate, independent individuals, we will," Ladan said before the final tests Saturday ahead of the surgery.

The risky, marathon separation procedure began about 10 p.m. EDT Saturday. Before the operation, doctors warned that the surgery could kill one or both of the twins, or leave them brain-dead.

"When we undertook this challenge, we knew the risks were great. But we were hopeful. Ladan and Laleh knew the risks too," said Dr. Loo Choon Yong, chairman of Raffles Hospital. "As doctors there is only so much we can do as the rest we have to leave it to the Almighty."

From the start, doctors ran into unexpected obstacles not found in the infants that the operation has until now been performed on. It took longer to cut through portions of the sisters' skulls because their older bones were denser than previously believed.

And though the Ladan and Laleh's brains were separate, they had adhered to each other after years of growing and sharing the same space. That forced doctors to meticulously cut the organs apart, "millimeter by millimeter," Raffles hospital spokesman Dr. Prem Kumar said.

"As the separation was coming to a close, a lot of blood was lost. The twins were subsequently in a critical state," said Kumar.

Working in two groups, surgeons gave each twin blood transfusions, but in the end they were unable to cope with the unusual

blood flow patterns, he said.

"I was concentrating very hard on Laleh at the time," lead neurosurgeon Dr. Keith Goh said, recounting the moment when he knew the operation had gone wrong. "I was very saddened when I looked over and saw them struggling, of course at the same time, we were struggling too."

A crucial part of the surgery had been to deal with a finger-thick vein shared by the sisters that drained blood from the brain. In 1996, German doctors had told the twins that shared vein made surgery too dangerous.

During the operation, the surgeons grafted a similar sized vein from Ladan's right thigh to her brain, then rerouted the shared brain to her sister.

But Ladan's new vein became congested, and surgeons Monday night considered whether to call off the rest of the operation and leave the twins joined or "continue with final stage of the surgery, which we knew would be very, very risky," Loo said.

"The team wanted to know once again what were the wishes of Ladan and Laleh," Loo said. "We were told that Ladan and Laleh's wishes were to be separated under all circumstances."

For more than 50 hours, the team of 28 doctors and about 100 medical assistants worked in tight spaces in front of and behind the twins, who were in a sitting position in a custom-built brace connected to IVs and monitors. Classical music played softly, and surgeons whose expertise was not needed at the moment would slip out of the room for rest.

In the final hours, the surgeons had to contend with unstable pressure levels inside the twins' brains just before they worked to uncouple the sisters' brains and cut through the last bit of skull joining them, Kumar said.

"I am very sad, as all of us are," Goh said. "Over the last six months, everyone who came in contact with them was touched by their personalities and the kind of people they were."

The courage of the twins won them a place in the hearts of Iranians. Television devoted many programs to the twins. Newspapers published page after page about their life and the protracted operation.

Parents of the twins, Dadollah Bijani and Maryam Safari, thanked the Iranian nation for praying for their children, the state-run Tehran radio reported.

"It's a national tragedy," said Ahmad Mahmoudi, a photographer in Tehran.

Housewife Noushin Nowrouzi promptly parked her car after she heard the news on the radio so she could cry in peace.

The sisters were born into a poor family of 11 children in Firouzabad, southern Iran, but grew up in Tehran under doctors' care.

The Iranian government said Monday it would pay the nearly \$300,000 cost of the operation and care for the twins.

Participating neurosurgeon Dr. Benjamin Carson, director of pediatric neurosurgery at Johns Hopkins Children's Center in Baltimore, has separated three sets of craniofacial twins.

# Liberians plead for U.S. intervention

MONROVIA, Liberia (AP) — Thousands of Liberians swarmed American military experts Tuesday, pleading for help end a ruinous three-year civil war in the West African country.

At a high school filled with people displaced by fighting, the refugees surrounded the U.S. team, waved American flags and chanted, "No more war, we want rest."

As the Americans moved on, crowds chased their 15-vehicle convoy. In the confusion, one diplomatic car ran into a young boy, who was brought to the American Embassy for treatment. Liberian police fired shots in the air to disperse the crowds.

The team, which arrived in the country a day earlier, are on a mis-

sion to evaluate how the United States can help restore order in the country.

The United States faces mounting international pressure to send troops to lead a peacekeeping force in Liberia, a nation founded by freed American slaves in the 19th century. But Washington is leery of becoming deeply involved in a complicated West African conflict and says it wants President Charles Taylor to step down first.

President Bush, speaking Tuesday in Senegal on the first stop of a five-nation African tour, said he had not decided on the extent of U.S. involvement in Liberia.

He also repeated his demand that Taylor relinquish power.

Indicted on war crimes charges, his capital surrounded by rebels,

Taylor — a one-time Boston gas station attendant, escapee from a Massachusetts jail and warlord — is viewed by international prosecutors, diplomats and some of his own citizens as the main impediment to peace.

The United Nations and European leaders have sought U.S. troops to enforce an oft-violated June 17 cease-fire between forces loyal to Taylor and rebels fighting since 1999 to oust him. West African nations have offered 3,000 troops and suggested the United States contribute 2,000.

Taylor urged the United States to send the troops.

"They owe it to us," he said.

Taylor told The Associated Press on Monday that he is ready to resign, but only after a peacekeeping force is deployed to prevent "chaos and anarchy."

In the past month, Taylor has repeatedly promised to step down. On Sunday, he accepted an offer of asylum from Nigerian President Olusegun Obasanjo — but did not specify when he would leave.

U.S. Navy Capt. Roger Coldiron, who heads the 32-member military team, told reporters Monday that his mission is to "assess the security environment" in the country and study the humanitarian needs of its

3 million people.

The team attempted to continue to one of the largest camps on the outskirts of the capital, but the 15-vehicle convoy was turned back at a checkpoint.

Liberian Defense Minister Daniel Chea said he issued the order because he wanted the team to come meet with him. "People should know we have a government in this country," he said.

Taylor, who waged civil war for seven years as a rebel leader before being elected president in 1997 with threats of plunging the war-weary country into bloodshed again if he lost, now faces an uprising by rebels who include some of his former rivals from the 1989-96 civil war.

He is also wanted by a war crimes tribunal in neighboring Sierra Leone on charges of aiding that country's notoriously brutal rebel movement, whose signature atrocity was chopping off limbs and facial features of civilians.

Referring to the war crimes charges against him, Taylor complained he was the victim of an "international conspiracy" to destroy him.

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# Lawsuits to follow porch collapse

## ◆ Two lawsuits pending over collapse of third-story porch

CHICAGO (AP) — Two lawsuits have been filed against a variety of defendants over the collapse of a third-story porch that killed 13 people.

Both lawsuits filed Monday are seeking undisclosed monetary damages.

A wrongful death lawsuit filed on behalf of the family of victim Kelly McKinnell, 26, accuses management company

LG Properties, company Philip Pappas and Restoration Specialists LLC of constructing the porch improperly and in violation of city codes.

Michael Ficaro, an attorney for Pappas, did not immediately return calls seeking comment.

No phone number was listed for Restoration Specialists.

David Dermejian, 23, who was injured when the porch gave way, filed a lawsuit Monday naming the city of Chicago, Pappas, LG Properties and building manager Jack Emery.

The city filed its own lawsuit last week against Pappas and contractor George Koutroumbis, saying the porch was too

large, was improperly supported and lacked permits.

Pappas has said he was cooperating with the city's investigation.

About 50 people were crowded on a third-floor porch in the affluent neighborhood of Lincoln Park when it fell during a party June 29. Seven men and six women died, most of them crushed on the porches below. At least 57 people were injured.

# Piece of new capitol ceiling in Springfield falls

## ◆ Officials say the extent of damage and repair costs are still being tallied

SPRINGFIELD, Ill. (AP) — A multimillion dollar effort to repair old, crumbling ceilings at the Capitol hasn't completely solved the problem.

A piece of the newly refurbished ornate ceiling in the state House chambers broke loose over the weekend and dropped large pieces onto the unoccupied desk of a lawmaker.

Officials say the extent of the damage and repair costs are still being tallied. The piece of the plaster ceiling is in an area where moisture collects from the building's air conditioning system.

The state spent more than \$6 million in 2000 to restore ceilings in the House and

Senate to their original look and repair water leaks that damaged the ceilings.

Falling plaster that nearly hit people forced officials to approve the remodeling, which was paid for by selling bonds that could not be used to help reduce the state's budget deficit or pay for other expenses.

Large nets were strung up in the House and Senate chambers to catch falling chunks of plaster while workers repaired the ceilings. Lawmakers were even forced to meet in an old auditorium of a nearby state office

building in June 2000 for a short special session because of the construction.

A spokesman for House Speaker Michael Madigan, D-Chicago, said this is not the first time plaster has fallen since the remodeling was completed.

"It will be repaired and repainted," Madigan spokesman Steve Brown said.

# Gunman opens fire in Mississippi plant

## ◆ Shooter kills five people before fatally shooting himself

MERIDIAN, Miss. (AP) — A factory worker known as a racist who talked about murdering others opened fire with a shotgun and a rifle at a Lockheed Martin plant Tuesday, killing five people before fatally shooting himself, authorities said.

Dozens of employees at the aircraft parts plant frantically rushed for cover after the gunman started firing in the nation's deadliest workplace shooting in 2 1/2 years. As many as eight people were wounded, some critically.

"At first I thought it was something falling on the ground. Then I walked to the aisle and saw him aiming his gun. I took off. Everybody took off," said Booker Stevenson, a Lockheed Martin employee who was helping assemble an airplane when he heard the

first shot.

The gunman was identified as Doug Williams, who was an assembler at the plant in this city of 40,000 near the Alabama line. Stevenson said Williams, who was white, was known as a racist who did not like blacks.

"When I first heard about it, he was the first thing that came to my mind," said Jim Payton, who is retired from the plant, but had worked with Williams for about a year.

He said Williams had talked about wanting to kill people. "I'm capable of doing it," Payton quoted Williams as saying.

One of those killed was Lanette McCall, a black woman who had worked at the plant 15 years. Her husband, Bobby McCall, said she expected Williams to harm someone someday.

"She said he made a threat against black people," a distraught McCall told reporters.

Four of Williams' victims were black and one was white, but Sheriff Billy Sollie said it appeared he fired at random with a shotgun and a semiautomatic rifle.

"There was no indication it involved race or gender as far as his targets were concerned," Sollie said.

The sheriff said he had no information on whether the gunman had been in trouble with his bosses. "We are not sure if those killed were friend or foe," the sheriff said.

Law officers made vehicles go through checkpoints outside the plant as about two dozen people waited to hear about the fate of their loved ones.

John Willis said he drove to the plant when he heard his brother, assembler Thomas Willis, had been shot.

"They've just had us standing out here," John Willis said solemnly, struggling to find words as he awaited word on his brother's condition.

A worker who did not want to be identified or speak to reporters was offered a cold drink by friends. His hand shook violently as he drank from the plastic foam cup.

It was the nation's deadliest workplace shooting since a software tester in

Wakefield, Mass., killed seven people the day after Christmas in 2000.

Officials at the plant declined to comment and a Lockheed Martin national spokeswoman was unable to immediately provide details.

Gov. Ronnie Musgrove said: "Mississippi's family grieves today for this senseless tragedy. My thoughts and prayers are with the families and friends of those lost."

Meridian has an economy largely dependent on the military. Besides the Lockheed Martin plant, the area is home to a naval air station and an Air National Guard training facility.

The Meridian plant employs about 150 people and builds parts for C-130J Hercules transport planes and vertical stabilizers for F-22 Raptor fighter jets.

Lockheed Martin is the largest defense contractor in the United States. The corporation had sales of \$24 billion in 2001. It employs about 125,000 people.

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## EDITORIAL

# Wal-Mart places blinders on consumers

Countless young boys have been tantalized by the protective wrapping that swaths the adult magazines sold in convenience stores and gas stations. Those who viewed the same steamy images and language when they at last came of age would likely agree that, for the sake of children and other sensitive consumers, some magazine covers should themselves be covered.

Certain magazines are clear choices for in-store swaddling: covers of publications such as Playboy, Penthouse, Hustler and others with names too tasteless to mention here are routinely and justifiably obscured. But now Wal-Mart, that ubiquitous

icon of American homogeneity, has taken magazine cover censorship a step further. Of course, Wal-Mart stores don't sell Playboy or Penthouse, protective wrapping or not. But the corporation has taken offense to the covers of some other, slightly less tawdry publications. Redbook, for example.

Wal-Mart brass, at the urging of several incensed customers, has resolved to obscure the covers of Redbook, Marie Claire, Glamour and other prominent women's magazines with "U-shaped blinders." Wal-Mart spokesman Tom Williams insists the blinders are necessary to "accommodate those customers who are uncomfortable with the language on some of the magazine covers."

The Wal-Mart corporation claims to have the best interests of consumers at heart. But the magazines in question—the stuff of dental office waiting rooms and the coffee tables of soccer moms—are hardly pornographic. Sure, Julia Roberts' cleavage is bound to offend a few, but what about the cover photography of publications like Sports Afield or Field and Stream. Surely some animal lovers are horrified by images of a fish with a mouthful of treble hooks or a hunter hoisting the fresh carcass of a deer by its antlers. In fact, every magazine cover on Wal-Mart racks probably offends some people, however few. The corporation should stop hiding behind the complaints of a few customers and reveal the "U-shaped blinder" for what it really is: a tool for the enforcement of their value judgments.

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

**At issue**  
Wal-Mart will place "U-shaped blinders" on the covers of women's magazines this July.

**Our stance**  
The blinders should cover all potentially offensive covers, not just reflect the corporation's value judgments.

## OPINION

# 'Kiddies' come in all ages and ranks



Ken Bauer

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My June 23, 2003, opinion piece entitled "Kiddies can't solve world's woes" has received a weird response. Now don't get me wrong, I didn't expect my opinion piece to earn me a big round of hugs from all of the good folks in the Journalism department.

However, the extent of the pouting by a select few has surprised even me. Sometimes it is best to let arguments such as this die off and go gently into the night. This is not one of those times.

When I wrote my editorial I was, in fact, speaking out loud what has been whispered around the DEN for as long as I can remember. That is, the opinion writers' knowledge of the topics they often vent about, in both the DEN's editorial board column and their frequent opinion pieces, is quite often limited at best.

In response to my June 23 piece, I received my share of "about damn time" compliments, pat on the backs, and general gestures of appreciation from all corners of the campus, except my own corner. I was not at all surprised to receive criticism. But I was both surprised and disappointed by the quality of the criticism received.

First, two former editors jointly wrote in and loosely criticized one of my stories and then made a

"Former editors wrote in, comparing me to a flag burner. The DEN is not the American flag."

very poor analogy, comparing me to a flag burner. Their analogy took the liberty of placing themselves and others who disagree with me on a higher plane, where they must silently look down on my actions (criticizing the DEN) in the same manner that true patriots must tolerate flag burners. The DEN is not the American flag.

I'll give you a much more accurate analogy of them and their responses to my criticism of their sacred cow. But first, it is important to note that I have never known them to have never been so offended when their former editors took blind, ignorant, potshots in the dark at student government, every other department on campus, every level of administration, and every level of government in the nation. But let one of their own state the self-evident about them and WHOA! Look out! It seems they don't like their own medicine.

A more accurate analogy is that they are a bunch of kids that have

always enjoyed the privilege of throwing rocks at people. When they got a rock thrown back at them, they fell down on the ground and started kicking, screaming and crying their "widdle" eyes out.

Former editor in chief Manker, in her response to my piece, also took the liberty of assuming that everyone who read my article found it to be absurd (not very perceptive is she.)

Lastly, she wrote that I had burned my bridges with former and future editor in chiefs of the DEN. Damn the luck!

I used attention-getting language to make my observations clear. I was criticized for that. But that was the whole point. If former editors would have received half of the criticism for their absurd op/ed pieces that I received for my own, then I wouldn't have had reason to write my column in the first place.

Freedom of the press allows journalists to speak truthfully about all—read my words carefully—ALL, that includes us. Anyone who takes issue with my June 23 piece should carefully consider the manner in which the DEN usually allows its opinion writers to rant about whatever it was they may have learned from strippers.

Cartoon by Andy McCammon



## YOUR TURN: LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

# Harris' biblically-based views assailed

To the editor,  
I am writing in response to Angela Harris' opinion column, "The Line Has to be Drawn" from July 7, 2003. Ms. Harris states that marriage is a "biblical institution" based on "biblical beliefs." Since when did the writings of the Bible spark the beginning of marriage? I hate to break the news to Ms. Harris but the "institute of marriage" existed long before the Bible came around. And if marriage is based on biblical beliefs then someone better tell the Hindu's, Taoists, Buddhists, Muslims, Wiccans, atheists and Native Americans so they know to leave marriage to the morally upright Christians of the world.

And please don't hide behind lines like "I am not to judge the gay community because Christ himself did not come to judge the world." Don't pretend not to judge others when you so obviously are. Perhaps you

should follow the steps of Jesus Christ a little more closely. For there is no doubt that Jesus would embrace the gay community as fellow sisters and brothers in the true loving spirit of God.

Jennifer Price  
Senior, Studio Art Major

To the editor,  
I applaud Ken Bauer's editorial written on June 23, 2003. It took an astute, courageous, journalist to come out and say the things he did. I also have to commend the current editor-in-chief for having the backbone, honesty and integrity to consider other points of view other than last year's editors. I'm sure you guys will catch a firestorm from inside the Journalism Department for stating the obvious.

The former EIU Editor-in-Chief Katherine Vana Wanker, and former EIU Sports Editor, Robert Wanker, officially join last years edi-

tors in proving that "A prudent man conceals his knowledge, but fools proclaim their folly." The editor-in-chief that wrote in needs to re-examine her logic in lambasting the truest journalism shown by Mr. Bauer - the ability to criticize your direct peers despite damage that may come your way.

To back Ken up, I can remember many articles on the peace marches, candlelight vigils, and countless editorials lambasting those that supported the war effort. The editors made it sound like the majority of those on campus were vehemently opposed to the war (quite the contrary).

It is about time we had some true, non-slanted, honest editorials. All school year, student editors at the DEN

used the Easter Daily News to stand up on their soapbox and spout their ignorance. Ken finally stepped up to the plate and spoke like a "non-flag burning American", and gave a viewpoint most students at Eastern agree with, despite what last year's editors would have had us think.

When the Mankers wrote their criticism of Mr. Bauer they failed to substantiate their arguments with the type of examples that Mr. Bauer did. She blasted his ability to write, but her ego would be fast crushed if she were to compare her letter next to his.

Nick Gober,  
Junior, Communication Disorders Major

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# T3 gets medium to great reviews

**By Nic Camfield**  
VERGE WRITER

I cannot ever wanting to see an action movie that starred an actor a good 10 years past his prime. There a few things in show business more ridiculous than an aging action star trying to prove to the next generation of bad-asses that he's still got it. Has anyone seen a Steven Segal movie in the past 5 years? What was Jean-Claude Van Damme's last picture - America's scariest police run-ins? The list goes on and on.

So, going into Terminator 3: Rise

of the Machines, I was afraid to get my expectations up at all. Let's face it, Arnold is pushing 60 years now, flirting with political office, and hasn't had a smash hit since True Lies, in 1994. To be fair, not all of his movies since have been bad, just mediocre for the most part.

Arnold was the quintessential action star during my formative years (sorry Sly Stallone fans, the Terminator would have eaten Rocky). He was Conan the Barbarian, the Terminator, Commando...you get the picture. No one more than myself wanted to see Arnold Schwarzenegger back

in action on the Silver Screen as a machine from the future sent back to save it for humanity.

Terminator 3 is the best of the Terminator movies — I know I couldn't believe it either! No James Cameron, no Linda Hamilton, no Edward Furlong (hal) - I didn't think it would stand up to the other two films of the franchise. It decimated them, and made them obsolete. The thirds film wraps up the mythology and the storylines of the first two, and leaves you stunned by the film's end. Arnold himself looks a good 15 or 20 years younger thanks to

the magic of Hollywood's makeup techniques. He got himself into fantastic shape yet again for the requisite nude entrance that all beings from the future must tolerate - ugh.

The film's cast is terrific, especially Nick Stahl, who takes on the role of John Connor in this film. He portrays Connor's confusion and terror of his own destiny very well, and without the whiny bitching that Furlong brought to T2. The directing by Jonathan Mostow was very impressive for a young filmmaker helming a blockbuster franchise. There are some problems

with the movie, most noticeably the fact that it is unbalanced, but the enjoyment factor is still there.

Overall, I would recommend any guy or gal who enjoy a good action flick go see T3 while it is still in theaters. This movie isn't life changing, life affirming, or Oscar material, but it is still a damn good picture. He said "I'll be back," and he is!

On a scale of 1 to 5 shots of hard alcohol, 5 being the worst because that's how many you'd need to sit through it, I give this a 2.5.



**By Dave Lange**  
VERGE WRITER

Walking into the theater to see T3, my stomach was in knots. Of course, I wasn't sure if that was from the anticipation of seeing this film or the fear of seeing a almost 56-year-old naked Schwarzenegger travel back in time. Being a huge fan of The Terminator story I was a little nervous that this third installment was going to be the next Aliens, just another Hollywood moneymaking scheme. Turns out my instinct was right.

Director, Jonathan Mostow, does an admirable job of recreating James Cameron's feeling. This film lacked the structure that the first two had. I wasn't sure where the first half of the story was going and I'm pretty sure that neither the writers nor the director did either. The problem...the plot was underdeveloped and Schwarzenegger is forced to carry the burden of the film from his first appearance. How many one liners can one character be expected to give? If there is a record for this then he shattered it in the first half of the movie.

Thankfully, T3 does pick up by the second half of the movie. The plot finally catches up with the action and viewers are treated to a glimpse of what the whole film should have been. Towards the end of the film, Connors (Stahl) and Brewster (Danes) are finally able to have some type of character interaction that starts to explain what the future will be like. I kept thinking , finally, this is why I came to see this movie. After all, isn't the Terminator saga about what takes place in the future?

All in all, this was nothing more than a B-movie that had one hell of a special effects budget. This movie succeeded in closing the book on the first two films, while we are presented with a totally new story. As a loyal fan of the first two movies, I can't in good faith jump on the band wagon for this. While it was loosely entertaining it failed to turn mature what we wanted it to be...the best movie of the trilogy. Trilogy? I am not sure if it should even be classified as that, but I guess that depends on whether or not Arnold becomes the next governor of California or not. Don't take my word for it though; I'm just a guy who spent \$10 to sit in an air conditioned theater for 110 minutes. I guess there are worse places I could have been.

On a scale of 1 to 5 shots of hard alcohol, 5 being the worst because that's how many you need to sit through it, I give it a 2.

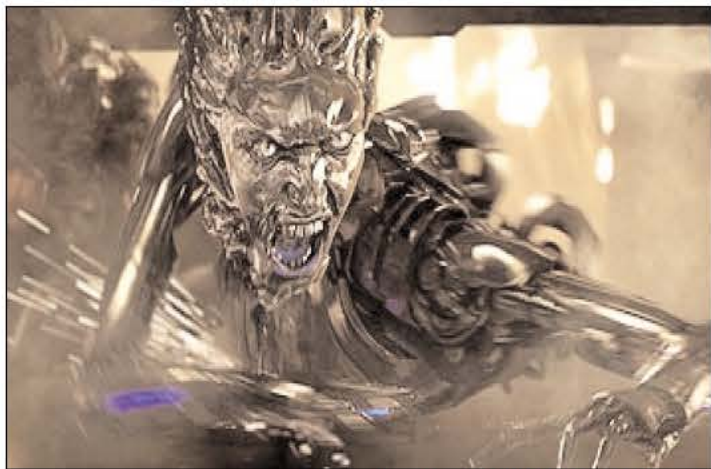


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Kristanna Loken plays T-X, the latest version of robotic killer machine that plagues the original Terminator

## Things to do just out of Charleston

**By Kenneth Bauer**  
VERGE & FEATURES EDITOR

Those of you looking for something to do this weekend can easily find it within driving distance. Once again our collegiate neighboring town of Champaign comes to the rescue and breaks the summer monotony with an explosive nightlife.

Both the Canopy Club and Cowboy Monkey will have great bands and low cover charges this weekend as well as an extensive list of upcoming summer shows.

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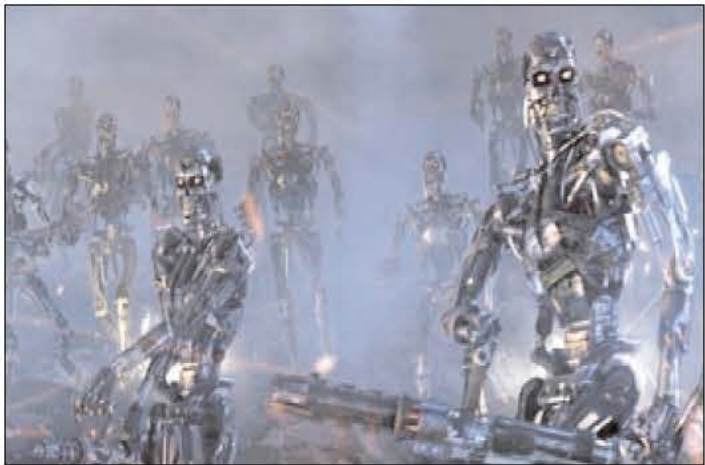


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Far Above: Arnold Schwarzenegger returns make Terminator 3  
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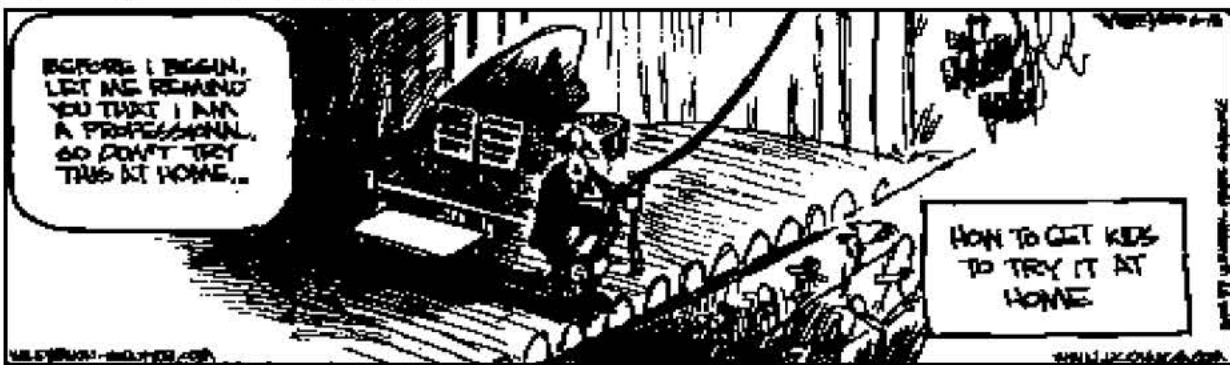
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# Bryant's charges on hold for possibly a week

EAGLE, Colo. (AP) — It may take another week before Los Angeles Lakers guard Kobe Bryant knows if criminal charges will be filed against him.

Little information was given Monday by prosecutors about the case against the 24-year-old NBA star who is accused of sexually assaulting a woman at a resort near Vail. But Bryant's lawyer, Pamela Mackey, said her client "expects to be completely exonerated."

According to an arrest warrant, Bryant attacked a woman June 30. Authorities said only that it happened at a hotel. Officials at the Lodge & Spa at Cordillera in nearby Edwards said Bryant stayed there June 30-July 2.

Under Colorado law, sexual assault could range from fondling to rape.

Bryant surrendered to authorities Friday and was released after posting \$25,000 bond. Mackey said her client had been in Colorado for surgery on his right knee at Vail's Steadman Hawkins Clinic.

## CAMP: Eastern host of distance running camp

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the Chicago area in Illinois."

Even after holding the camp for 12 years, McInerney still deals with question of the reason for a running camp.

"Most people who don't run, don't understand why somebody would pay a couple hundred bucks to go to a running camp," McInerney said. "We can maybe teach them a few things to do when they go home and some technique things. We can introduce them to some training theory."

The goal of the camp is to improve the enjoyment of running for the campers, but that cannot be done by having them run the entire week.

"We do a lot of fun things other than just the running," McInerney said. "We'll go out to Fox Ridge and obviously run on the trails and spend the afternoon with kind of a picnic lunch, play some ball games and have a water balloon fight."

"I hope for most of the kids it's a real fun camp, more fun than they expected they were getting into."

The accusations against one of the NBA's biggest stars made headlines nationwide and stunned the sports world. Dozens of reporters and camera crews descended on this mountain town about 100 miles west of Denver.

Since entering the NBA straight from high school, Bryant has drawn comparisons to the league's greatest players. He was married in 2001 and became a father earlier this year.

Eagle County District Attorney Mark Hurlbert said he is reviewing the merits of the case submitted by the sheriff's office and could make a decision on whether to file charges against Bryant within the next week.

"Sometimes it takes a while to get through everything," Hurlbert said Monday. "It may be beyond the end of the week."

He said Bryant might not be charged at all, but refused to discuss details of the allegations against the five-time NBA All-Star.

Mackey accused the sheriff's office of "complete bias," saying it ignored the wish-

es of the district attorney in obtaining the arrest warrant.

"We were told that the matter was under consideration by the district attorney's office but that there was insufficient information to issue a warrant or to file charges," she said in a statement.

Mackey did not return calls seeking elaboration.

At Monday's news conference, Hurlbert refused to address Mackey's claims.

"What's done is done," said Hurlbert, standing a few feet away from Sheriff Joe Hoy, whose office is leading the investigation. "I'm not going to comment on whether it was prudent or not. A judge found probable cause."

The sheriff's office sought the arrest warrant from a judge instead of making the request through the district attorney, which is the usual practice. Only the district attorney's office can file charges.

Hoy said his investigators learned of the case July 1 and spent nearly 30 hours on the

case before contacting Bryant. Defense attorneys were notified on July 3 and Bryant returned to Colorado the next day, sheriff's spokeswoman Kim Andree said.

"There wasn't any urgency. We felt we were doing the right thing for everyone involved," Hoy said. "We wanted to give people the time to themselves to adjust" because of the holiday.

Hurlbert said he talked to the woman, who "seems to be doing OK considering the circumstances."

The case against Bryant unfolded as details of two other NBA players' legal troubles were released.

Orlando Magic guard Darrell Armstrong was arrested after being accused of fighting with a female police officer outside a Florida nightclub, and Portland Trail Blazers' Damon Stoudamire was accused of trying to pass through an airport metal detector with marijuana.

## PROWL: 5K and 15K race on Saturday to test runners

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each other through most of it and then maybe racing the last couple of miles a little bit," McInerney said. "It's not anything they get real fired up about. They more enjoy coming back and hanging out together."

Eastern senior Stephanie Bone will be among the competitors coming back for Saturday's race. Bone won last year's women's 15 kilometer race, but McInerney is unsure if Bone will be running this year.

"I just got a call from her and

she's been battling a kidney infection the last week or so," McInerney said. "She's coming down and may or may not run a race."

The leg injury that kept Bone out of the 2002 cross country season has healed fine according to McInerney.

The 15 kilometer race is not an unusually long distance for Eastern's veteran runners, but incoming freshmen Susan Stamm and Jill Blondell are not looking forward to running a race approximately 9.3 miles in distance.

"It's a little intimidating at first," Stamm said. "I did a 10 mile race in May, but I didn't do a lot of work to begin with. This (week) will help that I've been getting in shape the whole week (at Distance Running Camp)."

Blondell's sentiments mirror the

statement made by Stamm.

"I feel like it is going to be a little tough; we'll see how it goes," Blondell said. "I've never run a race that long before, but I have run that many miles before. It might not be as fast as I want it to be, but it will be OK."

The races conclude at Eastern's Campus Pond, the site of race day registration.

Volunteers are still needed to work Saturday's race.

"I could always use people to come out and watch and help man a corner or the finish line," McInerney said.

For questions regarding the race or to volunteer to help, McInerney's Eastern phone number is 581-6647. The phone number for the Charleston Recreation Department is 345-6897.

## RAMON TAYLOR: Taylor tells first-hand experience of rookie camp

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week he said was aided by going through Rick Samuels's, Eastern men's basketball head coach, practices and playing against Eastern All-American Henry Domercant on a regular basis.

"I think everything we went through in practice educated me," Taylor said. "Henry's a great shooter and

what our offense did was really free up a lot of people.

"The way they play in the NBA, a lot of teams are running and getting up and down. Basically people are creating shots on their own. It is more of an open floor game. It is similar in some ways (to Eastern), but it is different in the way they get up and down."

Taylor made the adjustment seamlessly to the style of play needed to compete against the Nuggets' players. As excited as Taylor became anticipating this week, his attitude has changed now that he is in Denver.

"I was probably more excited when I was coming; right now it is just like playing basketball," Taylor said. "It is what I love to do. It is what I dreamed of doing. It doesn't really feel like I'm at an NBA camp, I'm just playing basketball and if I make it this is great."

While on the basketball court, Taylor's comfort level increased compared to when he returned to the hotel the Nuggets have him staying in for the week.

"The living expense right now is pretty good, I'm in probably a six star hotel and it is a suite probably," Taylor said. "They gave us like \$250 for meals over two days. The living expense is real good right now and I'm really enjoying that."

Taylor thinks there is a reason that the Nuggets only gave players enough money for two days.

"I'm assuming there are going to make some cuts after (Tuesday)," Taylor said. "I feel that I was picked amongst the guys to play with the summer league guys for a reason, but they don't guarantee anything."

Despite battling difficult breathing in Denver's high altitude, Taylor made extraordinary memories going through the NBA process.

"Playing with NBA players is a great experience; it feels good," Taylor said.

## America: Americans don't give Lance Armstrong enough credit for astonishing feats of physical endurance

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pennant race whether you are a Cub fan or a Cardinal fan.

I do, however, hope that Lance Armstrong wins the Tour de France just because he is an American and well we all know that the French are not big fans of us.

It would be great for us to steal their glory for yet another year.

## The New York Times Crossword

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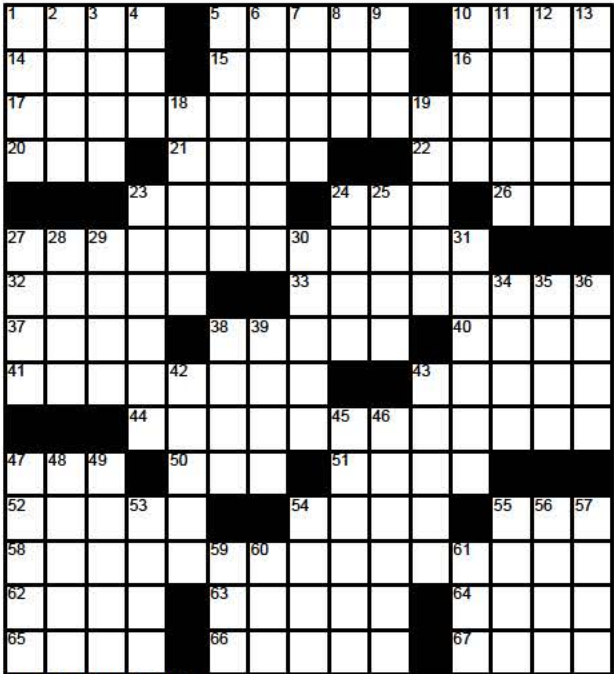
### ACROSS

- 1 Fine stone
- 5 Pops
- 10 Pelée spew
- 14 Reunion attendee
- 15 It was once advertised as "Good for tender gums"
- 16 He gave us a lift
- 17 Making of handicrafts, say
- 20 Pivotal
- 21 Getaway places
- 22 Neutral shade
- 23 Latin 101 verb
- 24 Gone by
- 26 Camp sack
- 27 Character in a Beatles "White Album" tune
- 32 "Have \_\_\_\_" (waiting room offer)
- 33 Perfect, as an alibi
- 37 Regan's father
- 38 Put a strain on
- 40 Paris's \_\_\_\_ d'Orsay
- 41 Ballpark figure
- 43 Other: Fr.
- 44 Certain pleasure craft
- 47 J.F.K. regulators
- 50 Same old, same old
- 51 House member

- 52 Vice President Barkley
- 54 Eastern priest
- 55 Lettuce variety
- 58 Object formally
- 62 Like tights
- 63 Lake rental, maybe
- 64 Go with
- 65 Hard to grasp
- 66 "Fun, Fun, Fun" car
- 67 Lens type

### DOWN

- 1 Trunk item
- 2 Hand cream ingredient
- 3 Shirkers shirk it
- 4 CPR giver
- 5 Nod, at auctions
- 6 Not dismissing out of hand
- 7 Roast spot
- 8 Cape \_\_\_\_, Mass.
- 9 In a blue funk
- 10 Give the slip to
- 11 Room at the top?
- 12 Neighbor of Leo
- 13 So far
- 18 Draw a bead on
- 19 It takes two nuts



Puzzle by Alan Arbesfeld

- 23 Kind of mushroom
- 24 Rose's love
- 25 Fasten with a belt
- 27 Bind with haywire
- 28 Partakes of
- 29 Nifty
- 30 Like a candle
- 31 Bromine is one
- 34 Gumption
- 35 Racer of fable
- 36 Bireme section
- 38 Prohibition: Var.
- 39 Fighting
- 42 Scene of two W.W. I battles
- 43 Hearing-related
- 45 Hue and cry
- 46 Won easily
- 47 Two-timing
- 48 Stag
- 49 Paula of pop
- 53 Like custard
- 54 Actress Anderson
- 55 "See you later!"
- 56 Not fooled by
- 57 Originate
- 59 Do something
- 60 Urban transport
- 61 Woodworker's tooler/ poet Smith

### ANSWER TO TODAY'S PUZZLE

W O O Z   Q U I B I   A T E E  
E I V Q   E O N V C   G N N S  
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# SPORTS

## Summer sports camps calendar

FOR NEXT WEEK	
DISTANCE RUNNING CAMP	JULY 7-12
HIGH SCHOOL BOYS' BASKETBALL CAMP II	JULY 11-13
ADVANCED BOYS' SOCCER TEAM CAMP	JULY 13-17
JUNIOR HIGH GIRLS' VOLLEYBALL CAMP	JULY 14-16

### REAL



## America is lazy

Seth Allen Frank  
GUEST COLUMNIST

The temperature is getting hotter and hotter, summer is in full swing, and the furthest thing from most sports enthusiasts' minds is the Tour de France. Or as it has been called for the past four years, the Tour de Lance.

The Texan, Lance Armstrong, has dominated the cycling world since conquering testicular cancer in early 1997.

The Tour, a three week marathon of time trials and mountainous terrain might just be the toughest battle of endurance and will that any sporting event has to offer. Over the course of 21 days participants will travel 2,100 miles throughout the outskirts of France ending by the Eiffel Tower in Paris.

In between the start and the finish, participants are subjected to countless drug tests before and after each stage, then have to deal with the media everyday.

Just this week Tyler Hamilton, former teammate of Armstrong, broke his collar bone, finished the stage for the day and ultimately decided to continue the race. The most fascinating fact about this accident isn't the heart that he has to continue the race, but that he is doing it without any prescription drugs to help ease the pain because they are banned by the cycling commission governing the race.

I cannot fathom any person subjecting themselves to the grueling pain of riding over 100 miles a day at speeds up to 40 miles per hour. That is sick!

For the most part, the race is like running a marathon a day for 21 consecutive days. I can barely run a mile, let alone a marathon, forget about a Tour de France.

I am impressed, but perhaps, the thought of a guy riding a bicycle for countless miles and even more countless hours across France just does not fly well with Americans.

Americans are for the most part lazy, "how do you know?" you might be asking yourself. I know because I am lazy.

We don't respect the accomplishments of riders such as Armstrong and Hamilton because it's just not something we would want to do and it's not exciting to us, just like most people don't care much for soccer here in the states. Maybe we don't respect the sports because we have never experienced them first hand.

As I sit here writing this article for you fine people, when in all actuality I wish I was there in France with over the two million devoted fans each day who come out to watch the riders do something that seems all but impossible by us mortals.

The Tour gets little TV coverage, if any, on the major networks except for a minute or so to show who has won the various stages on a given day. Americans don't care and the media gives them no reason to either. We are entangled in a

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John McInerney, Eastern men's and women's cross country coach, times runners during an exercise Tuesday.

## Running camp emphasis on mental toughness

Erik Hall  
ASSOCIATE SPORTS EDITOR

John McInerney, Eastern men's and women's cross country head coach, brought 70 runners to Eastern this week trying to change the way they think about running using the 12th Annual Distance Running Camp.

"Our main objective is always to kind of fuel their inner fire, to really get them to love running and to increase their passion for the sport," said McInerney. "We're not going to change them physically. Our main goal is to change them mentally and change their hearts and to get them leaving here just more fired up about running than when they came."

McInerney started the Distance Running Camp in 1992 with just 18 individuals attending the camp. He got the idea for the camp after working at a running camp for the Fellowship of Christian Athletes in 1982.

"It was just a blast; we had a lot of fun. The kids really enjoyed it," McInerney said. "When I became a college coach, I thought it would be something good to have on our campus as well."

The campers enjoy the running camp that McInerney puts on and continue to learn from the knowledge McInerney has developed since he began coaching cross



A pack of runners go by Eastern's pond on Tuesday. Future Eastern runners Jill Blondell, far right with striped shorts, and Susan Stamm, red shorts, get used to cross country coach John McInerney's workout.

country at Charleston High School in 1979.

"I just enjoy getting to know different people and a lot of the hard runs are going to help for next year," said camper Susan Stamm from Naperville Central High School. "I think these different seminars we've had have been good. He's been doing it for 13 years; I bet he knows a lot. I haven't learned a lot yet, but I will."

Stamm is one of four runners

attending the camp this week that are going to be running for Eastern next year. Jill Blondell, Emily Schmanski and Stamm will be joining Eastern's women's team and Erik Werden will be joining Eastern's men's team.

"It is a good recruiting tool," McInerney said. "For Central Illinois, at the time when I got it started, us and Illinois were the only two running camps outside of

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## Closer to hoop dream

By Erik Hall  
ASSOCIATE SPORTS EDITOR

By Monday night, former Eastern point guard Ramon Taylor had concluded the first day of the Denver Nuggets' rookie camp.

Taylor kept a short focus not wanting to look ahead fearing this opportunity could end at any moment.

"I'm not really looking ahead because I may be gone after (Tuesday)," Taylor said. "Focusing on (Tuesday), that's the only thing I'm doing right now. I'm trying to get through everyday; I'm taking it one day at a time."

After Monday, Taylor had some reason to be looking ahead to the prospect of playing with the Nuggets through the summer.

Taylor's day on Monday began with playing basketball from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. All the players attending the Nuggets' rookie camp were divided into two sessions with

approximately 12 players in each session.

"We did drills and defensive drills and then we scrimmaged at the end; then the next group came on," Taylor said.

During those drills and the scrimmage Taylor must have impressed the Nuggets' management because he along with two other players were chosen to come back to Monday's afternoon session to play with players already slated to play on Denver's summer league team.

"That was a good thing, I'm assuming, but I haven't heard anything," Taylor said Monday night.

Vincent Yarbrough and Carmelo Anthony were among the players that Taylor competed against. Yarbrough played last season for Denver as a rookie and Anthony was chosen by the Nuggets with the No. 3 pick in the 2003 NBA Draft.

Taylor feels he now understands



Ramon Taylor defends against an Austin Peay player at Lantz Arena on Senior Night 2003.

why Anthony was chosen by the Nuggets so high in the 2003 draft.

"He's real good, he's probably 6-foot-8, he can really handle the ball and he makes good decisions," Taylor said of Anthony. "He is

## Panther Prowl Saturday

Erik Hall  
ASSOCIATE SPORTS EDITOR

After winning an IHSA track and field state championship this spring for Charleston High School, Clint Coffey does not have high expectations for Saturday's Panther Prowl 5 kilometer race.

"I'll probably get last," said Coffey, who will be a senior at Charleston next year.

The Panther Prowl race concludes this week's Distance Running Camp with both a 5 kilometer and 15 kilometer race beginning at 7:15 a.m. at the corner of Fourth Street and Coolidge Avenue.

John McInerney, Eastern men's and women's cross country head coach, expects about 120 competitors on Saturday in the two races.

"We'll have most of our 70 campers with about 20 or 30 of our college kids back; then there are about a couple dozen people from the community and around," said McInerney.

Early registration is due to the Charleston Recreation Department today for the discounted \$5 fee. Race day registration costs \$10 and goes from 6:15 a.m. to 6:45 a.m. at the Eastern Campus Pond south of Lantz Arena on the west side of Fourth Street.

The men's 5 kilometer race is guaranteed a new winner breaking the dominance by two runners over the race's over half decade history. The first several Panther Prowl race were won by Saint Joseph-Ogden High School coach Jim Acklin before Erik Werden won the race in 2001 and 2002.

Since Werden plans to run for Eastern next year, McInerney will require him and all of Eastern's other runners to run the 15 kilometer race.

With between two and three dozen Eastern runners expected to participate in Saturday's race, the competition could become tight and aggressive, but based on years past McInerney does not expect a 15 kilometer fight for first place.

"They usually end up helping

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