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STUDENT GOVERNMENT

Tabled fee increase to be voted on

■ If approved, Student Health Service fee may increase nearly 10 percent.

By NICOLE WESKERNA
STAFF REPORTER

The Student Health Service fee, to be voted on tonight, could be increasing from \$75.90 to \$82.90 for the fiscal year 2007.

Health Services has been in a \$170,000 deficit for the last three years. The 9.2-percent increase is going toward the rising cost of medical expenses and pharmacy rates.

Health Services representative Lynette Drake, who could not be reached for comment, presented the budget request on March 25 requesting the \$7 increase in Health Service fees.

The request says the increase in fees will help with the rising costs of pharmacy medications, medical services, over-the-counter medications, health education materials, laboratory fees and X-ray fees.

Mark Bates, co-chair of Tuition and Fee committee, said the increase in the Health Service fee will benefit students because a lot of students use it as their primary health care.

"The effect on students should be positive because the quality and level of service will improve or be maintained at the current level," Bates said. "Without the increase, critical service could be cut or eliminated, thus putting students' health and well-being at risk."

He also said Health Services was hit hard with an increase in pharmacy prices and lab costs, which pushed them into debt.

"(Health Services) could have just raised the pharmacy rates or lab rate, but they feel that it would be better for the

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Health Service Fee Information

#1 Fee will increase 9.2 percent from \$75.90 to \$82.90 in 2007, if passed.

#2 Fee will go toward rising cost of medical expenses, pharmacy rates.

#3 Health Services has acquired a \$170,000 deficit over the last three years.



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A member of the Sigma Kappa pyramids team climbs to the apex Tuesday by the campus pond. Sigma Kappa won first in the sororities' category, while Sigma Pi took the fraternities pyramid championship.

Greeks battled gravity and each other Tuesday to build the best pyramids, but only two teams proved themselves by

STACKING UP TO THE COMPETITION

By SARA RANNELLS
STAFF REPORTER

The Sigma Pi fraternity and Sigma Kappa sorority won this year's Pyramids competition for Greek Week.

The girls on the Sigma Kappa team were screaming and jumping with excitement after their win.

Lauren Klein, a senior family and consumer sciences major, said the team has been practicing for a week and a half to prepare for

the competition.

Shannon Bowler, a senior communication studies major, said, "The practicing really paid off, but we couldn't have done it without our coach, Petey Mac."

Erin Atkinson, a senior special education major, still competed despite her injured leg. "I did it for the team," she said.

Sorority and fraternity members gathered around the field by campus pond to watch the event wearing bright colored shirts displaying their house letters.

Each house had a team of 10 members who competed in the competition, which consisted of two sets of heats.

In each heat, three teams lined up at the start line and when given the signal, ran downfield to build their pyramid.

Each pyramid had four members on the

More Inside

♦ Greek canoes rock 'n roll across campus pond.

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bottom, three stacked above them, two more above them, and one person on the top.

After their pyramid was completed, a Greek Week steering committee member counted to three and gave them the signal to disassemble their pyramid and run back to the finish line.

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FACULTY SENATE

Changes made to proposed mission statement

By KAYLA CROW
ADMINISTRATION EDITOR

The Faculty Senate viewed the changes made to the Eastern Mission Statement from the Council on University Planning and Budget at its meeting Tuesday.

The original presentation to update the Mission Statement was given by President Lou Hencken on Sept. 6.

The changes were made after

Hencken asked university groups to review the statement.

The Faculty Senate made a few changes and will send them to the CUPB, which has posted the statement in the University Newsletter for all faculty members to view.

Senate member John Pommier, head of the nominations committee, announced the positions that will be open next year. He said a list of those positions will be e-mailed to all facul-

ty members.

He said he would like to have names by next week so the choices can be presented to the senate by April 18.

Jeff Ashley, chair of the elections committee, announced that the faculty elections went well and that 272 of the 418 faculty members eligible to vote did.

This is an improvement Ashley contributes to the fact that the elections were online. He also told the

senate that a survey will be sent to everyone who was eligible to vote asking them if they encountered any problems.

Faculty Senate members addressed upcoming events, including faculty development events and student events, including the Minority Student Panel on April 12 at its meeting Tuesday.

The executive board of the senate informed the senate members of com-

munications from the University Professionals of Illinois about the role of the executive committee in collective bargaining.

Faculty Senate Chair Assege HaileMariam told the senate that the executive committee, UPI, Lord and Hencken agreed that the committee has no part in the bargaining.

The next Faculty Senate meeting will be at 2 p.m. April 18 in Room 4440 in Booth Library.



KATEY MITCHELL
SOPHOMORE
JOURNALISM MAJOR

"It appears that box-office history for March has been made this past weekend."

Out of all the movies that ever came out in the month of March, the box-office record-breaker seems to be the powerful, the moving "Ice Age: The Meltdown." How sad is that?



NORA MABERRY
ENGLISH GRADUATE
STUDENT

"Wal-Mart has gone all philanthropist."

Wal-Mart said Tuesday it would open stores in distressed areas and help small business thrive once they move in. Doubtful. Very Doubtful.

FIVE-DAY WEATHER

TODAY	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
64	63	67	50	61
45	59	39	34	42
Mostly Sunny	T-Showers	T-Storms	Showers	Sunny

WTF?

Donkeys even more valuable than wives

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

NEW DELHI – A textbook used in western India compares housewives to donkeys – and concludes that the pack animals make more loyal companions, a newspaper reported Tuesday.

"A donkey is like a housewife," declares the Hindi language primer approved by the state of Rajasthan, according to *The Times of India* newspaper.

"It has to toil all day and, like her, may even have to give up food and water."

"In fact, the donkey is a shade better," continues the text meant for 14-year-olds, "for while the housewife may sometimes complain and walk off to her parents' home, you'll never catch the donkey being disloyal to his master."

The book, reportedly used in Rajasthani schools, has sparked protests from the women's wing of the Hindu nationalist.

Rajasthan is known to be one of India's most traditional states, where conservative attitudes toward women predominate, and state education officials said the comparison was meant to be funny, nothing more.

"The comparison was made in good humor," state education official A.R. Khan was quoted as saying.

8 gas-pump nozzles stolen

DETROIT – A gas station on the city's west side had to turn away angry motorists in need of fuel Tuesday morning.

After all, it's hard to pump gas without a nozzle.

Someone stole all eight nozzles overnight from the pumps at the Cirgo station.

"We don't know what they would do with them," employee Sani Alsad told the *Detroit Free Press*.

Alsad said he hoped to have the nozzles replaced later Tuesday.

Detroit police were investigating.



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SMOOTHING IT OVER



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Bill Stieglitz, a cement mason for the Core Construction Company, smooths some freshly poured cement for a new sidewalk in the Library Quad Tuesday morning.

COLLEGE & UNIVERSITY NEWS

Estrogen dominates college

By LAURA CORISH
DAILY COLLEGIAN (PENN STATE)

UNIVERSITY PARK, Pa. – In their pursuit of higher education, women on average are applying to colleges at a higher rate than their male counterparts, although Pennsylvania State University is not following the national trend.

The 2005 Admission Trends Survey states that nationally, 58 percent of college applicants are female while 42 percent are male.

Judy Hingle, director of professional development for the National Association for College Admission Counseling — the organization that conducted the survey — said the average is the same for four-year institutions, while two-year institutions have an applicant pool that is 55 percent female and 45 percent male.

Penn State, however, still has a male-dominated enroll-

ment and applicant pool, said Patrick Smith, director of communications and customer services for the Office of Undergraduate Admissions.

According to 2005 University Budget Office Fact Book statistics, overall enrollment for the Penn State University Park campus is about 45.5 percent female and 54.5 percent male.

Internal records for the admissions office showed that Penn State applicants for the fall 2005 semester were about 48.5 percent female and 51.5 percent male.

A consistent pattern of more male student enrollment and applications to Penn State could be because of the university's reputation in typically male-dominated programs such as engineering and earth and mineral sciences, Smith said.

The survey, to which 661 institutions responded, is considered to be slightly more representative of private institutions.

The national survey also shows that colleges with fewer than 3,000 students have seen more female applicants than schools with more than 20,000 students.

Both, however, are receiving more applications from females than males.

"Women tend a little bit more to apply to smaller colleges than men do," Hingle said.

A recent article on www.insidehighereducation.com, "Affirmative Action for Men" by Scott Jaschik, addressed the issue of increasing female applicants and how colleges are reacting to the increase.

Check it out!
WWW.DENNEWS.COM
will be frequently updated during Greek Week events

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A collision occurred when the Delta Delta Delta canoe rammed the Kappa Delta canoe during Tuesday afternoon's Greek Week Canoe Races on the campus pond.

Greeks battle it out on the campus pond

BY KATEY MITCHELL
STAFF REPORTER

Students gathered around campus pond on Tuesday to watch the annual Greek Week canoe races.

Delta Zeta won the canoe races for the women, with a time of 1 minute and 50 seconds.

Sigma Pi won for the men with a time of 1 minute and 28 seconds. They were followed by second-placers Alpha Phi and Sigma Phi Epsilon. Jen Dunavan, a junior art education and elementary education major and member of Sigma Sigma Sigma, said she was really happy for the women in her house that won third place in the women's division.

"It's always fun to see houses come out and compete in the competition," Dunavan said.

The set up of the game had two houses race each other at the same time. Two people from each house must canoe across the pond until they reach the white milk jug toward the other end of the pond. Then

they must turn the canoes around and head back. The first one who reaches a spot in between the two trees at the starting point finishes first. Then when everyone has gone, the team with the fastest time wins.

Stephanie Koenig, a member of Delta Zeta and a senior communication studies major, said that the racers were picked randomly at a meeting about one month ago.

Koenig said people like the tradition of the canoe races but also like the canoes for the pure entertainment value.

"It's a tradition that's always been done," Koenig said.

"Normally, people like to watch it because it's entertaining."

Members of each Greek house were in attendance cheering on their housemates. Some people were cheering their friends to win, others were chanting, "Dig" or "Hit them" when a team cut off the other team around the turn.

Besides cheering, those in attendance showed their support in

other ways. Sean Anderson of Delta Tau Delta ran around the pond with a pirate flag in support of his teammates, who in their canoe were dressed as pirates.

The pirates of Delta Tau Delta were not the only wacky ones out at the races. Sigma Pi had one of their own members swim into the pond to retrieve a hat dropped in the water by one of the racers. He was then brought back to land by a canoe while being cheered on by everyone there.

The racers for Phi Kappa Theta were clad in foam fish for hats, but also lost an oar during the race and crashed into the bridge so hard at the end they fell over.

Racer Kyle Hatton, a freshman physical education major and Phi Kappa Theta member, admitted later that it was his first time canoeing.

When asked what he did to prepare he said, "Wear the hats and watch 'Finding Nemo.' We had the hats last year so we must keep up the tradition."

PYRAMIDS:

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Sigma Kappa, Sigma Pi come out on top

The team to cross the line first won that heat and proceeded on to the final heat.

The finalists were Sigma Kappa, Alpha Phi, and Alpha Gamma Delta sororities and Sigma Pi, Sigma Nu and Sigma Chi fraternities.

The steering committee authorized practicing for this and all other competitions on Jan. 22.

Cailey Swartz, one of the overall co-chairs for the steering committee, said most of the teams have been practicing for about a week for the Pyramids competition.

"It's not that big of a deal," she said, "It's just a fun game."

Swartz said the competition was not worth a lot of points compared to some other competitions, which is why teams did not practice as much for Pyramids.



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The pirate-themed Delta Tau Delta canoe team finishes the circuit around the campus pond Tuesday afternoon during the Greek Week Canoe Races.

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COMMENTARY



DIANE HOWE
GUEST COLUMNIST

LIVING THE GREEK LIFE

When you go away to college, you begin to search for your place in the world. You meet the people who will be your friends for life.

When I came to Eastern as a freshman in the fall of 2001, the idea of joining a sorority was far from my mind. Yet now I cannot imagine life without it. Joining a sorority or fraternity is one of the best ways to get involved around campus and meet so many great people. All fraternity men and sorority women belong to a special group that defies words: you have to experience it for yourself.

As a member of Alpha Gamma Delta and the larger Greek community at Eastern, I knew that no matter how far from home I was there would always be a shoulder to cry on, a phone call when I was away, soup when I was sick and flowers on my birthday.

Memories of late-night study breaks, date parties, fraternity formals, community service projects and nights full of endless laughter will surely last a lifetime. Just to be together — just for the fun of it — was what made our sisterhood so strong. As overwhelming as college life can sometimes be, I knew there was nothing I could

not handle with my sisters by my side.

Being Greek is not something that is celebrated for just one week a year, although Greek Week provides everyone a great sense of tradition, unity, and community through events like Greek Sing, Airband, Tugs, Collegiate Bowl and more.

Fraternity men and sorority women spend time practicing, and then they go to these events throughout the week to cheer for each other and show their support.

Everyone has a great time because each accomplishment that is made, competition that is won and heart that is broken is met with open arms and warm hearts. However, being a member of an international Greek organization it is something we (as collegiate members and alumni) take great pride in year-round.

Greeks at Eastern donate thousands of dollars and hundreds of hours to philanthropic organizations year-round. Each member is taught the importance of scholastic achievement, integrity, and true friendship. I feel very blessed to have found some of my very best friends within the Greek community at Eastern Illinois University.

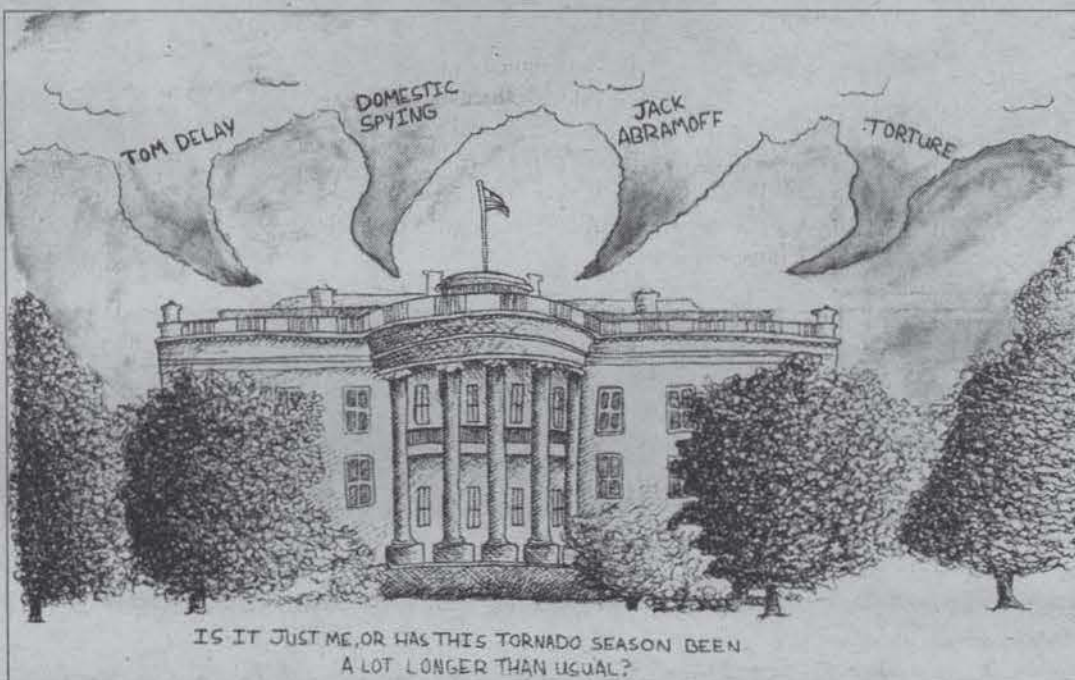
As former Panhellenic President and Greek Week Overall Co-Chair, I can look back as an alumna and appreciate everything that being a member of Eastern's Greek Community offered me.

As I prepared to drive down with my old roommates and sorority sisters to watch the Greek Sing and Airband performances last weekend, I was reminded of all of the fun times I shared with great friends while I was at Eastern. I sincerely hope that sorority or fraternity life proves to be as memorable and fulfilling for all of you as it has been for us!

I would also like to personally wish good luck to all members of fraternities and sororities in Greek Week 2006.

*Diane Howe is an Eastern Alumna.
The DEN reserves Wednesday columns for guests.*

EDITORIAL CARTOON BY DAVID PENNELL



EDITORIAL

Database would help in meth prevention

Now headed to the governor's desk after passing through the Illinois House of Representatives and the Senate without a nay vote is a bill regarding an Internet database meant to track methamphetamine producers.

For many years one major problem of tracking and limiting methamphetamine production was the fact that it was such an underground drug. Authorities did not know how to fully recognize and target production labs, legislators didn't know how to effectively limit its production and people were getting away with meth use and production on a regular basis.

But this bill would create a database that would "include the convicted person's name, birth date, the type of crime and the county where it was committed," an article in the *Chicago Sun-Times* stated.

Beyond some basic fears of privacy, which are really unfounded and off-base, this bill should be effective in what it is meant to do; track and provide the public with information regarding methamphetamine production.

"Responsible and accurate information is always a good factor in eliminating problems such as methamphetamine use," state Sen. Dale Righter (R-Mattoon) said. "I suppose there are

At issue

The House and Senate passed a bill to allow an Internet database to track methamphetamine producers.

Our stance

Gov. Blagojevich should support this bill because it would provide public information about methamphetamine production. This bill is the next step in the right direction.

basic fears, such as invasion of privacy — people saying they would be embarrassed if they committed the crime and the public could know — but I'm more concerned with the safety of the people who are surrounded by the crime than of those who commit the crime."

Now that the state has improved the knowledge and capabilities of the police forces, and has made it harder to purchase the over-the-counter drugs that make up methamphetamine, this next bill seems like a logical next step.

"Obviously it is very important, whether they are homebuyers or just ordinary citizens of the community, that these records are made available,"

Righter said. "I don't know many people who would want to purchase a house or live in a community where meth production is happening near them, and without their knowledge especially."

State Rep. Roger Eddy (R-Hutsonville) constructed the bill and told the *Chicago Sun-Times* that he would also like to see meth lab locations highlighted on the database.

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

YOUR TURN: LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

DIVERSITY REQUIREMENT IS THE SIGN OF A PROBLEM

Recent debate has been raging on the issue of the Diversity Requirement and those Student Senators who have been chastised by the self righteous within Student Government.

As another former Senate Speaker, Vice President, and a concerned student who sees a requirement that's been repeatedly marked by failure, I ask what's the point?

Instead of pointing fingers at good, hard working student representatives and talking about obligations, why doesn't Student Senate examine what this requirement actually accomplishes?

I mean, we could talk about accountability within Student Government, but then we would have to look at all members that do not abide by their own job descriptions as stated in the Student Body Constitution, but the finger pointers won't do that.

The simple truth is that diversity is an ambiguous concept that is thrown around all the time, and is different for every student. Students vote senators into office because they feel that those individuals are already best suited to represent them.

"Facilitating" some program that someone else deems diverse does nothing more than waste the senators time and take them

away from the job that the students elected them to do. The requirement is an insult to all students who vote and trust those who they elect.

Being a better leader is a personal journey, and deciding who's qualified or diverse, is a public choice, that's democracy.

I personally applaud those of you who didn't meet your "requirement," you were probably off working on something meaningful.

ADAM HOWELL
SENIOR POLITICAL SCIENCE MAJOR

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Event Calendar For Today

MANAGING AWAY YOUR WORK OVERLOAD

8 a.m.

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**Charleston-Mattoon Room
Martin Luther King Jr. Union**

CAMPUS BRIEFS

Faculty Development teaches educators time management

The Faculty Development Office will produce a workshop titled "Managing Away Your Work Overload."

The workshop is designed to teach overworked faculty to deal with their stacked schedules.

The event will take place from 8:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. in the Charleston-Mattoon Room in the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union.

The office will also be holding a "Fast But Fair" grading seminar from 1 to 4 p.m. in the Charleston-Mattoon Room.

Counselors put students to sleep

The Counseling Center will present "Getting Good ZZZZs," a lecture on good sleeping habits to students.

The event will take place today at 7:30 p.m. in the Charleston-Mattoon Room in the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union.

Emerson Drive coming to Eastern

The country band Emerson Drive will be Eastern's spring concert when they perform at 8 p.m. April 21 in Lantz Arena.

Tickets are on sale. The price is \$18 for the

public and \$14 for students.

They can be purchased at the University Union ticket office from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. weekdays.

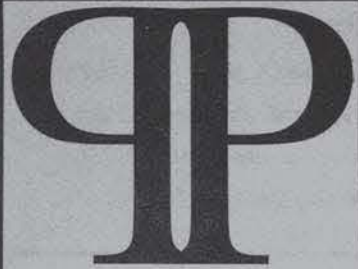
Meet the ITS director candidate

The Eastern campus community can meet and ask questions of John Henderson, a candidate for the position of the director of instructional technology services today.

The session is scheduled for 1 p.m. in the Title Room at 1205 McAfee Gym.

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Workshop represents various majors for undecided students

By CRYSTAL REED
STAFF REPORTER

Jennifer Reed, an academic adviser for the Academic Advising Center, wanted students to learn about their academic possibilities from people who had been in the situation.

Students who have undecided majors had the opportunity to hear from fellow students about 10 different major possibilities Tuesday afternoon at "What is Your Major," a lecture for undecided majors.

The event featured 10 students representing 10 different majors who discussed what a student's major focuses on, what kind of classes a student takes, what job areas students can

work in, and how much the average starting salary is in that major.

Reed organizes this event once every semester.

"The goal of this presentation is to get (students) thinking about what is available to them," she said.

She estimated that there are a total of 400 students with undecided majors on campus.

One of the presenters was Jessica Petruszak, a senior family consumer sciences major with a dietetics option. Petruszak said that those in dietetics work with schools and vending and distribution companies among other industries.

"I was a transfer student and got my associ-

ate's (degree) in science, and after an internship, decided to get into dietetics," Petruszak.

Cassie Shuemaker, a senior communication disorders and sciences major, said there are two different programs: audiology and speech pathology. The program offered here at Eastern is an undergrad program that prepares communication disorder majors for graduate school.

Shuemaker said the major involves classes in physics, neurology, psychology and special education. Schuemaker is going to begin grad school here in the fall.

Mike Comiskey, who presented on physical education-sports management, started as an accounting major and then his sophomore

year changed over to sports management. Comiskey said the major involves core classes in physiology and kinesiology as well as courses in business and athletics. Also required for this major is a six-hour internship.

"I found it helpful because I have no idea what I'm going to do; it opened up my mind," said freshman Katie Daly.

Another method for students to discover or choose a major is an externship. Externships are offered through Career Services and allow students to spend a few hours to a day with a person in their field of interest. More information on externships can be found at <http://www.jobsvr.ciu.edu> or by calling Career Services at 581-2412.

Senate will vote on fee increases

Higher charges for students may begin to cause concern

By TIARRA STEELE
STAFF REPORTER

The University Union fee increase will be the main concern at the Student Senate meeting tonight.

"That item produced a lot of questions and concerns within the senate that were not answered," said Student Senate Speaker Sean Anderson.

Anderson also said the Health Service fee increase is another item of importance, although the senate was more satisfied with the answers given by faculty and staff from Health Services.

When the issue of fee increases arises, students generally share the same sentiment.

Shawn Ready, Shuttle Bus Committee chair, said students on campus he has talked to usually have a problem with fee increases.

"Of course nobody likes fee increases, so what I tried to do was briefly explain where the money from the fee increase goes and why the fee increases are needed," he

said.

Ready said students felt, although the university needs money, it also needs to find other ways to get the money besides increasing the fees.

Seven items will be voted on at the meeting including four budgets for fiscal year 2007 and a bylaw change that includes several different issues.

"A lot of things needed to be changed, and if you change one thing you have to change another, that's why we felt we had to vote on a bulk of them instead of individually," said Kenny Kozik, co-chair of the Tuition and Fee Review Committee.

One Student Senate member shares the same belief as Kozik, saying the bylaw change should be handled that way.

"You have to do it all at once because one change might affect everything," said senate member Jeffrey Melanson.

Student Senate will meet at 7 p.m. tonight in the Arcola-Tuscola Room in the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union.

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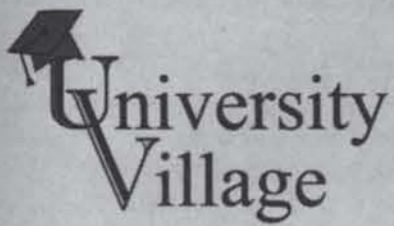
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Senate members say students approve fee increase

students if they weren't nicked and dimed to death for every service that Health Service offers to the students," Bates said.

Senate member Eric Glenn said he talked to 20 to 25 students about the fee increase.

Even though only about half of the students he talked to have used Health Services, he said, "I haven't talked to anyone that thinks it's a bad thing."

Sean Anderson, Speaker of the Senate, said he talked to three people about the fee increases.

"(The people I talked to) were for it because (Health Services) offers so much," he said. He said the students he talked to were accepting of the increases.

According to Kenny Kozik, who serves as the other co-chair of the committee, one alternative to the increase in fees was to charge students individually for medicines, lab work and even making appointments. He said Health Services has been trying to save money and succeeded by doing a lot of their paper work electronically.

Kozik said this significantly cut printing costs, saving Health Services \$20,000 to \$35,000.

"This is a service that gets used every

day by students," Kozik said. "Students are utilizing (Health Services) more and they need a little more help."

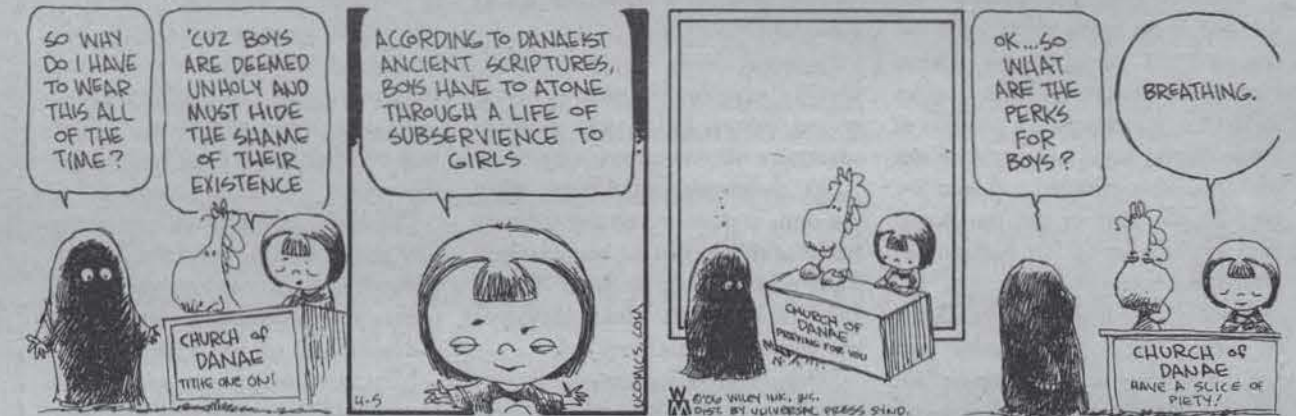
Kozik said the fee increase will benefit the students because the fee needs to match the service students receive.

Eastern students have it easy, though, compared to the health service fee at the University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign.

According to UIUC's Web site, the health service fee for an enrolled student is \$188.00 for spring 2006. The fee covers care by a doctor or nurse, X-rays, lab tests, most medications, preventive and health educational services and mental health services.

The Student Senate meets at 7 p.m. in the Arcola-Tuscola Room in the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union to vote on the fee increase.

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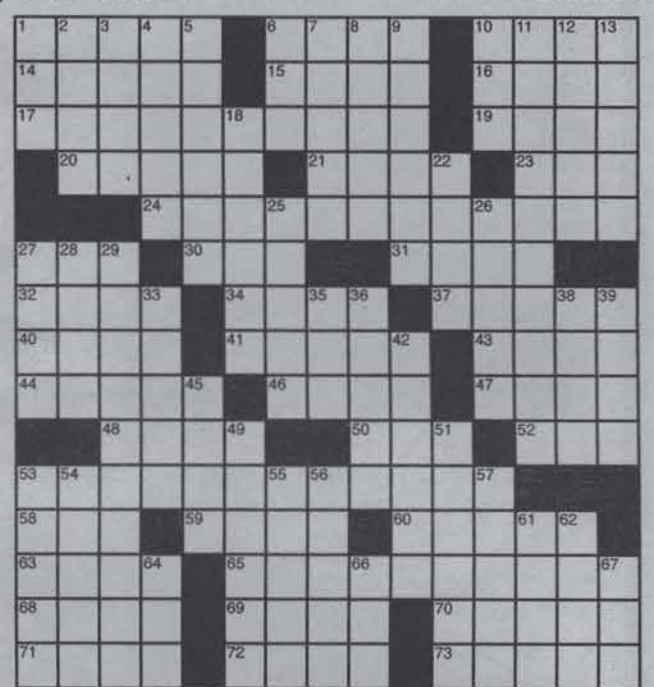
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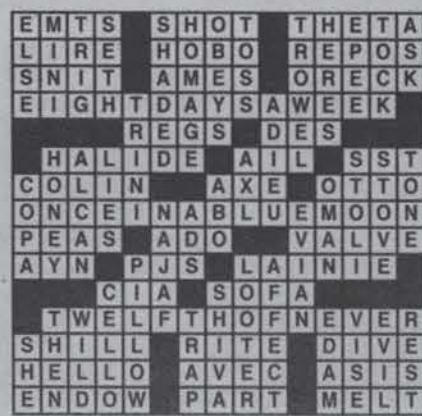
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ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE



Freshman produces under pressure

BY JOE WALTASTI
STAFF REPORTER

At the start of the third set of his No. 6 singles match against Tennessee-Martin's Chris Slabbert on March 26, freshman Jordan Nestrud received word that his match would be the deciding point of the day.

"We started the third set when we found out that it was 3-all and all eyes were pretty much on me," Nestrud said. "I was serving with the score at 3-4 and I double faulted three times. He held, and that was pretty much it. It was a ton of pressure; I never had anything like that in high school."

Slabbert went on to win the match, 6-3, and UT-Martin prevailed.

At Morton High School, Nestrud was the king of the tennis courts. After just two years of taking serious lessons, Nestrud was competing at No. 2 singles on varsity as a sophomore. A year later in 2004, Nestrud would lead the Potters to a conference championship and earn the Boys Tennis Player of the Year Award from *the Peoria Journal Star*. Nestrud had an even better year in 2005.

He excelled individually winning the conference singles championship and also the sectional singles championship. He was named second-team all-state and won the PJS's Boys Tennis Player of the Year Award again, the first ever to win it two straight years.

"Jordan is a competitor," said Joal Stanfield, his former high school coach. "He hates to lose. Anything he does, from practicing to playing ping-pong, Jordan wants to win."

Because of that competitiveness, Nestrud was hard on himself after the loss versus Tennessee-Martin and was ready to prove himself.

"After that match where I lost, I felt like I let a lot of people down and I wanted to get back and win one," he said.

He would get his chance the following weekend against Morehead State.

Again with the match on the line, Nestrud won 6-0, 6-0, defeating Morehead State's Martin Dorcich, clinching Eastern's first Ohio Valley Conference victory of the season.

"Jordan absolutely smoked those guys last weekend," freshman Vuk Milicevic said.

Nestrud won both his singles matches last weekend. He was the only singles winner for the men or women against Eastern Kentucky on Saturday.

Playing at No. 6 singles after coming from such a successful high school background, Nestrud had to make a difficult adjustment when he came to Eastern.

"It's challenging and different when you come to practice every day and there are five or six guys that can beat you when you're used to being the best," Nestrud said. "I'll be honest; Chuck (LeVaque) and Vuk can beat me pretty bad."

When Nestrud first came to Eastern he started off at No. 7, which is a reserve role on the team and at that position he would only see action if one of the top six players was injured or tired.

But opportunity presented itself after junior Ryan Blakenbacker's injured his knee. Nestrud was quick to step in and try to help out the team and the coach that bailed him out earlier in the summer.

Nestrud originally committed to Eastern under former coach Brian Holzgrafe. But after Holzgrafe's resignation, Nestrud's tennis future was up in the air. At a summer league try-out in Springfield, another school made an offer.

"The University of Illinois-Springfield coaches were there and they offered me a lot of money so I decided to verbally commit to them," Nestrud said. "They kept telling me that everything was set then two weeks before school was supposed to start they told me it didn't work out and I got denied. I was lucky enough that Coach Blackburn worked something out for me, and I got in here."

He has a record of 6-1 in No. 3 doubles play with Milicevic.

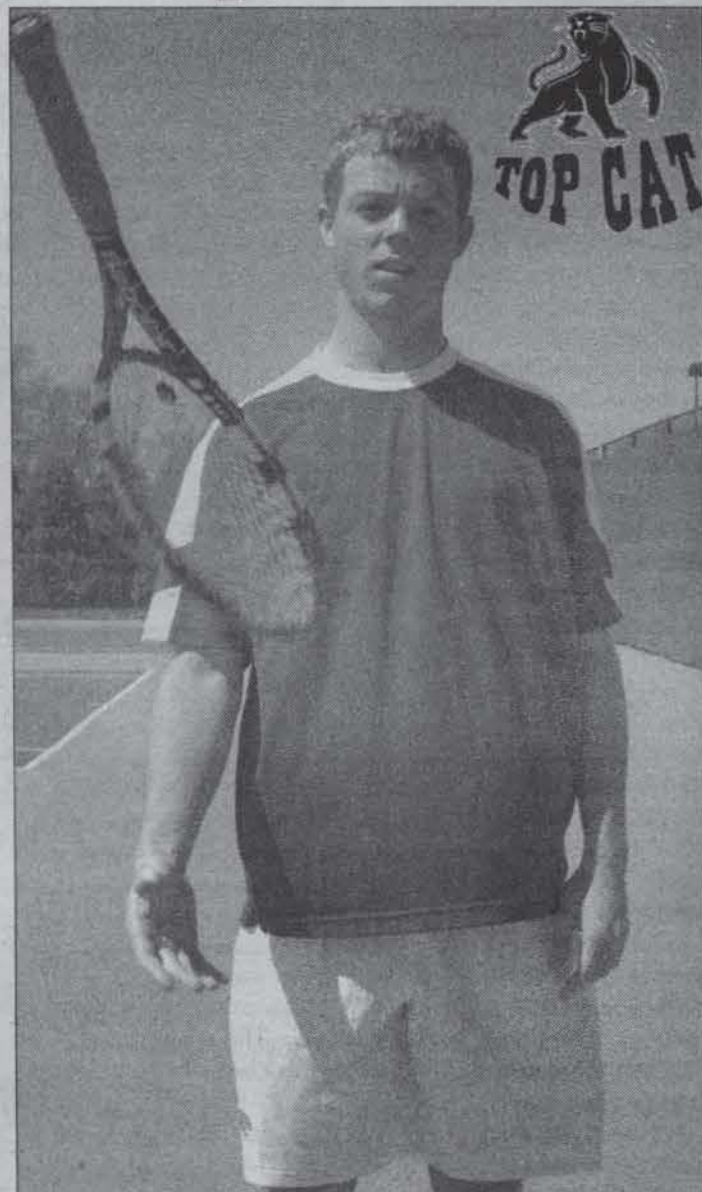
"I never played with somebody as good as Vuk," Nestrud said. "I have so much confidence because I know if I don't make my shot, I know he will make his return."

Milicevic agrees with Nestrud about how comfortable they are together on the court.

"We have a very laid back style, a very easy-going attitude on the court," Milicevic said. "I always support him 100 percent with his decisions during a match, and he supports me 100 percent as well."

Nestrud started playing tennis when he was little, but it was only casual. Not until the summer before his freshman year in high school did he begin taking serious lessons.

"I feel like at this point in many people's careers they have already peaked," Nestrud said. "I'm still improving more than other people because they started younger; my peak is still to come."



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Freshman Jordan Nestrud defeated Martin Dorcich, 6-0, 6-0, during last weekend's match against Morehead State, securing the Panther win.

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TENNIS

Eastern outlasts Austin Peay at home

By JOE WALTASTI
STAFF REPORTER

Down in the third set of her No. 2 singles match, junior Madina Mambetova fell to the ground holding her ankle. She would get up and continue the match, pulling out a tough, exhausting victory that lasted more than two hours.

Exhausting was the theme of the day as Eastern's match-up against Austin Peay had to be moved into the field house to be finished because the sun set before the final matches could be decided.

Senior Jill Wirtz and sophomore Sean Bush won the deciding matches for the Panthers as Eastern beat Austin Peay. The men won 5-2

and the women beat the Lady Govs 4-3. "Sean and Jill were exceptional for us today," said head coach John Blackburn. "They were the standouts for us."

The men, like the women, won the doubles point and got singles victories from Chuck LeVaque, Vuk Milicevic, Sean Bush, and Jordan Nestrud. Milicevic won in straight sets at No. 2 singles but it was not an easy match-up.

"I went up quickly and won the first set but I lost focus a little," said Milicevic. "I get nervous sometimes thinking about all the people I want to win for, but coach Blackburn talked with me and calmed me down and I got the win."

The women added to their doubles point with singles wins from Sandra Sasidharan,

Mambetova and Wirtz. Both Panther teams were able to get their first victories at home this season, and the women added their first Ohio Valley Conference victory. The women improved their record to 4-11 (1-4 OVC) and the men are now 8-7 (2-3 OVC).

The Panthers have Thursday off, but go on the road to Murray, Ky., to take on three OVC opponents in three consecutive days.

The Panthers will face the host Racers at 3 p.m. Thursday, then they will battle Jacksonville State on Friday before finishing with Samford at 10 a.m. on Saturday.

"Instead of going all the way to Alabama, Murray was kind enough to give us some neutral courts so we could meet Jacksonville and Samford half-way," coach Blackburn said.

GOLF

Panthers finish rough tournaments

The men's golf team competed at the Belmont Intercollegiate at the Legends of Tennessee in Nashville Monday and Tuesday, and the women's team competed at the Payne Stewart Memorial Sunday through Tuesday.

The men's team took 10th of the 11 teams. Senior Dustin Sloat highlighted the weekend with Eastern's top finish. He tied for ninth, shooting a 74-71-70 for the 54 holes for an overall score of 215 (+2).

The women's team did not do well, said junior Jackie Bodis. Bodis forgot to sign her scorecard after the first day of competition and was disqualified from her first round. "We just overall played bad," she said.

The team finished 13th of 15 teams with a team score of 1042. Amy Simons was the top Panther and tied for 39th place.

Brief compiled by Katie Anderson, staff reporter.

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Mackie twins step up in their sophomore year

through injuries during her two years at Eastern, fighting through a stress fracture in her shin and tendonitis in her ankle her freshman year. This year she has had to battle back pains, but that has not slowed her down.

"She's really good at getting batters to swing, to keep them guessing and on their toes," junior catcher/first baseman Sandyn Short said of Mackie, who throws a drop ball and a changeup to keep hitters off-balance.

Schuetz said that even though the girls are twins, they are different people.

"Robyn's a little more feisty, a little more stubborn," she said about her multi-purpose player. "Karyn can be more of a little girl sometimes and Robyn's more kind of the mom."

Short, who splits time at catcher with Robyn and freshman Shea Lodes, said that one would expect the Mackie twins to be inseparable, but that is not the case.

Karyn is the older of the two, by 1 hour, 16 minutes.

However, that does not make her more responsible, a quality she said Robyn has more of than her.

Robyn has caught Karyn 10 times this year, a combination that Schuetz is somewhat hesitant using.

"Sometimes they work really well when they're pitching and catching together," she said. "Other times they get on each other, so it's better when they're not together."

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Players should stop popping their jerseys

Illustrated during his junior year, proudly showing off the "Illinois" on his jersey.

It's not that I'm completely against celebrations — just the showing off of the jersey.

The NFL (more and more each day becoming true to the nickname 'No Fun League') is cutting down on touchdown celebrations.

I'm all for Chad Johnson performing CPR on a football. Also his proposal to a Bengal cheerleader and using the pylon as a golf club were creative.

Johnson's celebrations may irk some fans, but

he can back up his antics by the way he plays.

Steve Smith (Charles Tillman is still haunted by the Carolina Panthers' wide receiver) can no longer jump on a goalpost and slide down it.

Now NFL teams will be penalized 15 yards for excessive celebration.

But according to the Associated Press, spikes, dunks, Lambeau leaps, spins, dances and simple celebrations are tolerated.

Once again, the NFL has contradicted itself and caused mass confusion about what a celebration really is.

But at least the teams won't be representin' by popping their jerseys.

Oh wait, the NFL would probably penalize a team for doing that too.

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TODAY	BASEBALL AT WESTERN ILLINOIS	3 p.m.
	SOFTBALL AT ILLINOIS STATE	4 p.m.
THURSDAY	MEN'S AND WOMEN'S TENNIS AT MURRAY STATE	3 p.m.
	TRACK AND FIELD AT THE BIG BLUE CLASSIC	All Day
FRIDAY	MEN'S AND WOMEN'S TENNIS VS JACKSONVILLE STATE	TBA

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SOFTBALL

Twins work double time for the Panthers

By MATT DANIELS
ASSOCIATE SPORTS EDITOR

At any given time this season, odds are that there will be a Mackie on the field for Eastern. Sophomore twins Karyn and Robyn Mackie have provided a spark for the Panthers (21-13-1) this year.

The identical twins will try and keep up their production entering today's doubleheader at Illinois State.

The two have been a part of every Eastern game this year, with Robyn making 33 starts and Karyn appearing 18 times on the mound.

Robyn has played three positions this year (catcher, first base and second base) as head coach Kim Schuette has used her versatility to help the team.

"We've kind of thrown her in a lot of different positions and that takes a good athlete to handle that," said Schuette. "You've got to be tough because you don't always get the same reps at every position since you are playing three positions."

Robyn has done the majority of starting behind the plate, making 17 starts as a catcher, and eight each at second base and first base.

"I guess it's good for coach because she feels she can put me anywhere," said Robyn about her playing multiple positions.

This is Robyn's first year playing first base, but she said that she is getting acclimated to her new position.

Robyn has also batted in various spots in the lineup, from the leadoff

spot to batting second to hitting sixth or seventh in the order.

"I'll do whatever it takes to help out the team," she added.

The two have been playing softball since they were 6 years old. Robyn has been a catcher since the age of 12 and Karyn has been pitching since she started playing.

Karyn credits her older sister, Heather, who played softball at Truman State, as an influence on her pitching.

"I guess I've always followed in her footsteps," Karyn said.

Robyn has been catching her sister for seven years, and Karyn is comfortable with her sister catching her.

"It calms me down a little bit I think," Karyn said.

TODAY'S GAME

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Eastern Illinois (21-13-1, 4-5)		Illinois State (19-10, 8-3)
Last game 6-3 Loss Jacksonville State		Last game 9-1 Loss Southern Illinois
Standing 6th place - 5 back (Ohio Valley)		Standing 3rd place - 2 back (Missouri Valley)

Karyn has compiled a 1.99 ERA this year, to go along having a 9-7 record. Karyn has had to battle

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OUT OF BOUNDS

MATT DANIELS
ASSOCIATE SPORTS EDITOR

Act like you've been there

You won. Congratulations. Now act like you won.

Why is it that every time an NCAA basketball team wins a supposed big game, the players have to show everyone the front of their jersey?

Usually this consists of the player grabbing the jersey right below their armpits and making the team name stand out.

The general consensus is the player is letting everyone know that it was a team effort, but if it was a team effort, why are you making such a spectacle about it?

Take Monday night for instance. After Florida defeated UCLA in one of the worst title games in recent memory, about half the Gators let the entire world know what team they play on.

From Corey Brewer to Joakim Noah to Taurean Green, it seemed every player Billy Donovan had on his roster was popping his jersey.

Let's see, you've won five games in the tournament and are in the national championship.

For a sports fan living in a cave, maybe they didn't know your team was in the title game.

So let's have Noah and Brewer make sure that everyone can see that they are in fact, from the University of Florida.

It was a constant the whole tournament, from Northwestern State to George Mason to Bradley.

Yes, all three of those mentioned teams had a right to be excited when they pulled off miraculous upsets, but enough with the pulling on the jersey.

When Eastern upset Murray State on Jan. 16, none of the players celebrated hysterically or popped their jerseys.

Maybe they were in shock of what they accomplished, but the team showed class and did not upstage the Racers.

I still have nightmares from last year when Bucknell guard Donald Brown proudly displayed "Bucknell" to the nation on CBS after his team beat Kansas.

Most of the people that watched the tournament or had any idea about college basketball had a fair idea who Bucknell was.

Dee Brown of Illinois made it a national phenomenon when he was on the cover of Sports

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BASEBALL: EASTERN 10, OLIVET NAZARENE 7

Eastern wins coaching battle

Late-inning moves rally the Panthers

By MARCO SANTANA
SPORTS EDITOR

Give this victory to Eastern head coach Jim Schmitz.

In a game that featured Olivet Nazarene head coach Elliot Johnson and Schmitz trading off good coaching moves, Eastern's head coach had the final one in the bottom of the eighth inning.

Pinch hitter Daniel Fox lined the first pitch he saw to right field for a two-run single, and the Panthers added two more runs to outslug Olivet Nazarene 10-7 at Coaches Stadium Tuesday.

"You don't win when your closer doesn't shut them down," Johnson said.

Eastern (12-12) won for the fourth time in five games as they came from behind in their final at bat. The lead changed hands four times, but the Panthers finally pulled it off when they scored four runs in the eighth inning.

Second baseman Blake Meyer and shortstop Adam Varrassi singled to begin the inning before Johnson brought in freshman Nathan Krumsieg.

"Blake got a good pitch away," Schmitz said. "It's the basic hitting approach. You can call it a flare but it got the job done."

Center fielder Casey Spears followed with a bunt down the third base line to move the runners up 90 feet.

After outfielder Mark Chagnon was intentionally walked, Fox lined his single to right field.

"It was a good time to get a fastball on the first pitch and drive it," Fox said.



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Junior center fielder Casey Spears is congratulated by senior designated hitter Keiji Salzo after being the first Panther to cross home plate in the Panthers win against Olivet Nazarene 10-7 Tuesday afternoon at Coaches Stadium.

"I've come off the bench a couple of times. It's not like it was the first time."

Two batters later, catcher Jason Cobb hit a two-run double to the left-center field gap that gave the Panthers some breathing room.

Junior Chris Vaculik came into the game in the ninth, relieving Ross Jeske after Jeske walked the first Tiger batter, and picked up his second save of the season.

Eastern jumped out to a 2-0 lead after two innings.

Spears walked and stole second with two outs. He scored when Chagnon singled to right field.

Olivet (15-11-2) scored three runs in the third inning on a two-run single by left fielder Richard Rossano and a bases loaded walk by relief pitcher Mike Budde.

The Panthers walked nine batters in the game.

"It seems that every time we bring in a pitcher, they walk the first batter," Schmitz said.

Eastern led 6-5 entering the top of the eighth inning. With two outs and a runner on first base, shortstop John Arisohn singled to center field. Arisohn, who finished the game 3-for-4 with two runs scored, reached sec-

ond base when Spears couldn't come up with the ball cleanly.

This would cost the Panthers the lead when Johnson sent Joe Peachy in to pinch hit for designated hitter Nic Higgins.

Peachy sent the first pitch to left field and two runs scored.

"Peachy's pinch hit for us several times," Johnson said. "His first at bat is usually his best at bat."

The win was not pretty, but a win is a win, Schmitz said.

"I tell them all the time," he said. "There's no such thing as an ugly win."