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IF YOU WANNA GO GREEK ...

Those interested in Greek Life are given the information they need at forum on Tuesday.

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ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT

EIGHT DAYS AFTER MCDUFFIE'S RELIEF A NEW INTERIM ATHLETIC DIRECTOR IS NAMED – BAKER

WHY HE WAS GIVEN THE POSITION

According to EIU President William Perry, "Ken Baker was the right person at this time to be interim athletic director. Baker has high integrity, is hard working, and cares for Eastern and the community."

WHAT WILL BAKER DO?

Ken Baker will act as temporary Athletic Director for Eastern until a true successor to Rich McDuffie is named.

By Matt Hopf
Associate News Editor

Ken Baker was named interim athletic director Tuesday, just eight days after the former athletic director was relieved of his duties.

Rich McDuffie was put on 12 months paid administrative leave Aug 13.

"We're here to move forward," Baker said.

As acting director, Baker will be responsible for the development and administration of the athletics department.

"A lot of good things have happened, and a lot of good things are happening," Baker said. "We want to make sure this is a very special place."

University President William Perry met with the athletic department last week and asked the staff to give him a list of names of whom they though should serve as interim athletic director.

According to Vicki Woodard, director of media relations, Perry made the decision along with Dan Nadler, vice president for student affairs.

"Ken Baker was the right person at this time to be interim athletic director," Perry said.

"Baker has high integrity, is hard working, and cares for Eastern and the community."

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BY NORA MABERRY | DEN

Sean Oliver, 3, and Tenya Lones, 6, play on the playground equipment at Morton Park in Charleston. Their mothers, Trevon Lones and Keanna Mahone, are members of Eastern's student Parent Association. E-SPA held an ice cream social for members Monday at Morton Park.

"WE ARE EIU, TOO"

A group of parents join together to help each other through the experience of raising children while attending school

By Katey Mitchell
Campus Reporter

As an economics graduate student, Keanna Mahone has a lot to do. But her main focus is being a full-time mom for her 3-year-old daughter, Brianna.

She feels isolated from groups on campus because most don't focus on family or family activities.

"We can't take our kids on a bar crawl," Mahone said. "We are not 'traditional students.' We are also full time parents, students and workers."

So Mahone founded the recognized student organization, Eastern Student Parent Association, E-SPA, as a support system and organization geared for student-parents at Eastern. With the creation of E-SPA in October 2004, student parents could now participate in an RSO where many of the events are geared toward including children. As their slogan says, "We are EIU, too."

Joycelynn Phillips, academic advisor for the Gateway Program and former social worker, is the official adviser for E-SPA. She said the program is a good place for student parents to not only have family oriented events, but to also be a support system for one another.

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E-SPA WEEK

- Today: Parent-to-Parent, Lawson basement 5-6 p.m.
- Thursday: Minority Affairs Faculty Reception, University Union Grand Ballroom 3-5 p.m.
- Friday: Disney movie night, Lumpkin 2030 6-9 p.m.
- Saturday: Picnic, Sister City Park, 2-5 p.m.

While you were away...

Over the summer, Eastern underwent some upgrades — here's what you missed

By Katie Anderson
Campus Editor

Mark Hudson, director of Housing and Dining, is an overachiever.

In 2002, the first year the Residence Hall Satisfaction Survey was held, 84 percent of students surveyed said they enjoyed living in the residence halls.

In 2004, the number rose to 90 percent.

In last year's survey the results came back at 93.4 percent.

But Hudson is not satisfied.

"The critical piece for us is making sure everyone's needs are met," Hudson said.

And he means everyone.

"We approach it kind of like Maslow's Hierarchy of Needs," Hudson said.

He said Eastern is not just about providing food and water, but also a place for learning and fostering companionship.

Like Hudson, Gary Reed, director of facilities planning and management, and Steve Shrake, associate director for design and construction, are concerned with pleasing their "customers" and have initiated a new online maintenance request system.

Reed and his team work closely with Hudson and Shrake to maintain the campus and to make improvements that will not only last but also be economically and environmentally smart for the university. The goal is not just to make quick fixes.

The directors and planners draw their construction and design plans in large part from results of the Residence Hall Satisfaction Survey.

The survey is a 165 question online survey given to random third of those who live on campus every other November.

The survey is directly proportional to the population on campus and covers all aspects of the residential experience such as common areas, RAs, and dining.

The results are tallied and distributed to the relevant departments in January.

Each department creates action plans to fix lower scoring areas.

Next, the departments work together looking at the plans and trying to work them into the big picture through an administrative process.

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WEATHER OUTLOOK

TODAY
91° | 72°
Partly cloudy

THURSDAY
94° | 72°
Sunny

FRIDAY
93° | 69°
Partly Cloudy

E-SPA looks to support parents

E-SPA, FROM PAGE 1

"As members get to know each other they tend to form friendships and from that help with each others childcare," Phillips said. "Also by being there for one another (the members) encourage one another to graduate. It gives people an idea of, they can do this- have a family, be a parent and can graduate."

Eastern student Earline Bower moved to Charleston in July 2005 with her husband and four children. After her husband's deployment to Iraq, Bower was looking for a support system to help her raise her children, now 14, 11, 10 and 2. She found that in E-SPA.

"I like the support chain and activities," Bower said. "The kids are always involved. I felt a part of something because everyone has kids."

Bower, now vice-president, said she likes that programs are out there for non-traditional students, students who are not coming out of high school, who have kids and who have the wisdom and go to school to better themselves.

The RSO plans to schedule a meeting time where the members, currently six adults and approximately 11 children, can get together and discuss some issues concerning them as parents. In the past, the group has brought in speakers from financial aid, Trio and the counseling center and how their programs gear toward student parents.

Eastern aiming for a fully satisfied campus

CONSTRUCTION, FROM PAGE 1

Hudson said with the help of information gathered by the survey, the percentage of returnees living on campus has gone up every year for the last five years.

"Half of our population is new incoming students, the other half of that is returners. After that first year students can pick, 'Where am I going to live?'" he said. "So we have to be very sensitive to making sure that we are delivering service at a level that's working for them."

Hudson also values the surveys for their encouragement to his staff.

"What's challenging sometimes about working in this environment is you spend your time working with the small percent of students who have problems. It's easy to forget that 94 percent feel like it's rocking for them."

Hudson attributes the increases to a hard-working staff, physical improvements on campus such as residence hall refurbishments, but also the more personal aspects of campus life like continually updated RA training.

UPGRADES THAT YOU MIGHT HAVE MISSED

DINING HALLS
- Thomas Food Service extended their hours and will now be open straight through lunch into dinner, adding 3 hours a day.
- The Java Beanery and Bakery has added hours and is now open 7:30 a.m. – 10 p.m. Monday through Friday and 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. Saturday.

FURNITURE
- Andrews Hall
- Lincoln Hall

SIDING
- Giffin of University Court

WINDOWS
- Giffin of University Court

LAUNDRY AND LOUNGE
- Lincoln Hall
- Douglas Hall

CARPET
- Lincoln Hall
- Andrews Hall
- Carman Hall
- Giffin of University Court

"SMART CLASSROOMS"
- Carman Hall

PAINT
- Lincoln Hall
- Andrews Hall
- Carman Hall – men's tower
- Giffin of University Court
- Sigma Kappa student rooms
- Sigma Sigma Sigma student rooms
- Union Food Court

CABLE
- Negotiated a New TV contract. Eastern cable will now have 2 Spanish channels, 8 HBO channels, and more channel guides at no additional cost to the students.

EFFICENCY LIGHTING
- Andrews Hall

FIRE ALARM SYSTEM
- Andrews Hall

RECYCLING ROOM
- Union Food Court
- Douglas Hall

SECURITY CAMERAS
- Union
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STUDENT-PARENT PICNIC
Eastern's Student-Parent Association kicked off their activities with an ice cream social Monday at Morton Park in Charleston. Drumstick ice cream cones and popsicles were treats of choice.

ISSUE OF THE WEEK
In the first issues podcast of the semester, political science department chair Dr. Richard Wandling discusses how the budget impasse between Illinois and Gov. Blagojevich is affecting the state.

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UB programs campus

University Board's responsibilities include fees, planning events

By Dylan Divit
Activities Editor

The University Board has the responsibility of turning $300,000 in student activity fees into roughly 80 sponsored events throughout the academic year.

Besides balancing the books, the board also acts as entertainment connoisseurs, filling the campus calendar.

Last year the highlights included two sold-out Lantz Arena concerts – Foreigner and the Goo Goo Dolls – and appearances made by TV personalities Dennis Haskins, who played Mr. Belding on "Saved By the Bell," and Jodie Sweetin, who played Stephanie Tanner on "Full House."

UB meets Tuesdays at 7 p.m. in the Arcola/ Tuscola room in the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union.

"The overall mission of the University Board is providing quality entertainment at an affordable cost that is both socially and educationally integrating," said Ceci Brinker, director of Student Life.

Brinker is the faculty adviser and has worked with the student-run organization for 22 years.

She said she has noticed that the board has recently become more innovative with its activities.

UB events are more than just concerts. They range from lecture series to comedians, musicians, movie showings and open mic nights, which allow students to share their talents with their peers.

The first open mic night in the Coffee House Series will be Sept. 19.

"The hardest part (of serving on UB) is finding the best artist at the right price that students will enjoy seeing," said Pat Lamorte, a communication major and UB vice chair. "We rely heavily on student input."

Lamorte is responsible for budgeting, contracts and organizing the board's meetings.

He said while student input is helpful, the biggest factor when booking talent is attending the National Association of Campus Activities conference, where the majority of the board's programming is done.

NACA networks schools with booking agents, musicians, comedians and speakers with hopes that schools will find the best entertainment.

Melissa Schaefer, an education major and UB chair, said attending the conferences is helpful because the coordinators get a live preview of the artist's talent.

"There have been a few occasions when we have been disappointed by an artist," Schaefer said. "When that occurs, we contact their agents and fill out evaluations to assist other schools in their decision as well."

FILE PHOTO

Johnny Rzeznik, lead singer of the Goo Goo Dolls, shook hands with the crowd and sent shout-outs to those in the upper bleachers during the band's March 4 concert in Lantz Arena. The concert was sponsored and organized by the University Board.

GREEK LIFE

Forum shows a buffet of Greek options

Members introduced their chapters, explained what they do on campus

By Ashley Mefford
Activities Reporter

Students interested in being involved with Greek Life were offered a buffet of choices.

Tuesday was the Greek Forum Informational in the Grand Ballroom.

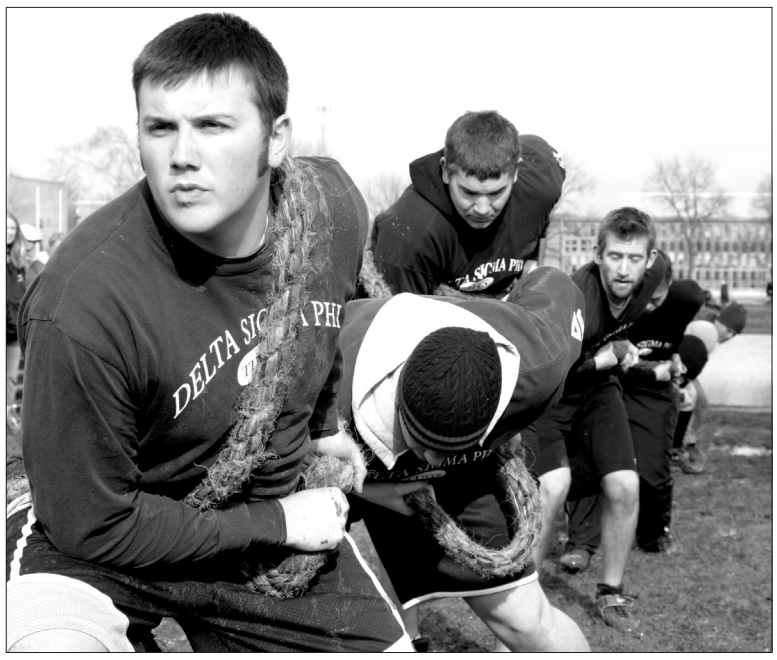
Information on 27 different Greek chapters including sororities, fraternities, and service sororities were offered.

Students could make their way around the room or only go to tables that interested them.

Each organization had a table set up displaying accomplishments, such as awards and winning events.

Most sororities and fraternities at the forum were strictly there to inform students about what goes on in their particular chapter.

Corie Grinder, a junior family and consumer sciences major and member of Delta Delta Delta, said she was there to answer questions and to help get new women involved with the sorority.



FILE PHOTO

Students from Delta Sigma Phi competed in Tugs during Greek Week in April. Greek chapter members explained at Tuesday's Greek Forum Informational that events like these are only part of the community of Greek Life.

Other organizations were interested in not only getting more recruits but getting out information about their chapter.

Denisha Smith, a junior communication studies major, was interested in "getting Zeta Phi Beta's name out."

The forum was a way for students to come see what Greek Life is like. Interested students still have a couple of weeks to register for recruitment.

Some students might have somewhat of an idea as to which group they want to join, but for most it was an overview of everything they could join.

Pi Kappa Alpha was proud of their house.

"Our house shapes young adults into men," said Pike member Jordan Poremba, a senior exercise science major.

Joe Kassem, senior English major and Phi Kappa Theta member, said that he would tell interested students that Phi Kap had an array of different people in it.

"We're not cookie cutters," Kassem said.

The informational was the first event of the school year regarding Greek Life. Students still have a couple of weeks to decide if they want to be involved with the Greek community.

Melissa Schaefer, senior art education major, said there are three or four more informationals after this one.

The forum allowed students to see that Greek Life does a lot for the community, which not everyone might know about.

Some newcomers to the Greek community were interested in just that.

Olivia Przeski, a freshman biology major, said she came to the informational to get involved with a sorority and also volunteer work.

CAMPUS BRIEFS

New theatre productions to be introduced tonight

Students interested in theatre arts or majoring in theatre arts are invited to attend an informational today.

Refreshments will be served and students can learn about the upcoming productions.

The meeting will be held at 5:30 p.m. at Tarble Arts Center. All are welcome.

Safety, sexual awareness booth in South Quad

The Counseling Center will have a booth set up today for awareness of safety and sexual assault.

The booth will be in the South Quad from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. today.

For more information, contact the Counseling Center at 581-3413.

EIU Police available to meet in Library Quad

The University Police will be available to meet with students on campus today.

They will have a booth in the Library Quad from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. to answer any questions anyone might have.

For more information, contact the Orientation Office at 581-6435 or e-mail them at orient@eiu.edu.

First Astronomy Club meeting, tour to follow

The Astronomy Club will have its first meeting of the semester at 8:15 tonight.

No astronomy knowledge is needed. A tour of the campus observatory will follow the meeting.

The meeting will be held in Room 2153 of the Physical Science Building.

– Hayley Clark, News Editor

ON CAMPUS

TODAY

TurningPoint Basic Workshop
Time | 9 a.m. to 11 a.m.
Location | CATS Training Lab
More info | 581-8397

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"Brandt Snedeker has all the momentum heading into the start of the FedEx Cup playoffs this week. His victory last week at the Wyndham Championship vaulted him to ninth place in the cup standings. Could this tour rookie to win it all?"

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"LETS GIVE THEM SOMETHING TO TALK ABOUT"

Is Blagojevich doing his job with the budget?

To submit your opinion on this week's topic, bring it in with identification to the DEN at 1811 Buzzard Hall or submit it electronically from the author's EIU e-mail address to DENopinions@gmail.com by 4 p.m. Thursday.

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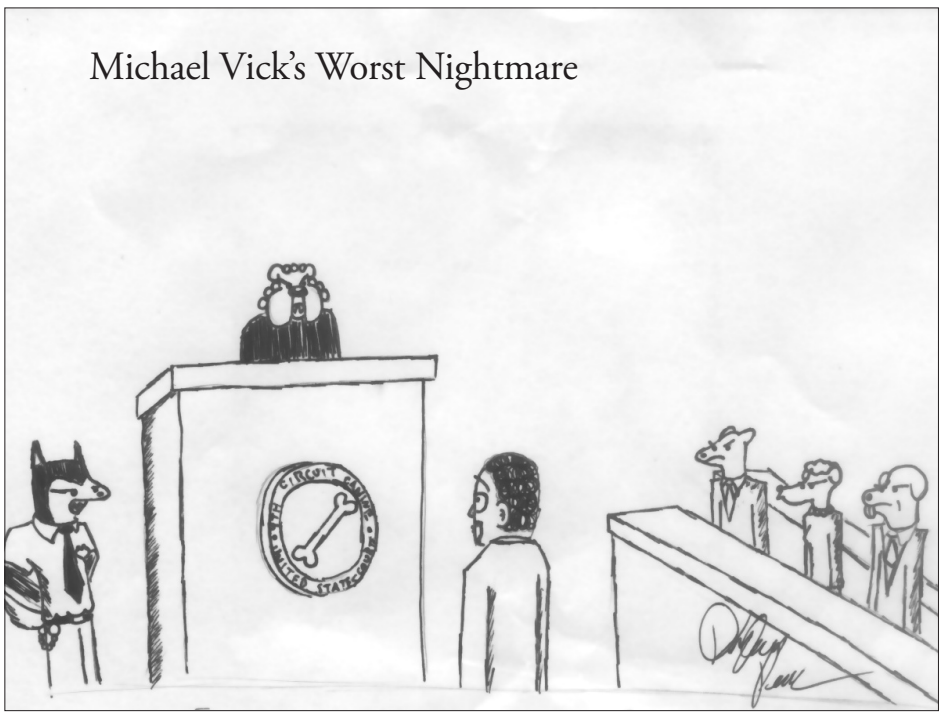

STAFF EDITORIAL

The athletic department has had a dark cloud looming over it since the removal of Rich McDuffie as Director of Athletics on Aug. 13, which came on the heels of an investigation into a sexual harassment complaint against him.

McDuffie was relieved of his duties more than one month after the investigation concluded and whatever occurred between that day and the day he was reassigned might never be revealed.

Eastern president William Perry has said there were other factors that went into the decision, although none of these factors have been made public.

On Tuesday, the decision to name Ken Baker interim athletic director showed the department was moving forward. The administration made the right choice in choosing Baker.

Baker, who has been the director of campus recreation since 2000, has a history with the coaches in the department.

Because of his office's location near Lantz Arena, his interaction with them on a day-to-day basis is much greater than other candidates and he has their respect.

This is important because an interim director does not have the luxury of an extended period of time to develop a rapport with the staff.

One duty of an athletic director, and a duty the university expects Baker to perform, is helping the university raise funds. Baker can do this.

He is a longtime Charleston resident with ties to the community and a 1972 Eastern graduate. He also received his master's degree from Eastern in 1973.

EDITORIAL POLICY

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An athletic director is also expected to interact with athletes and always have the students' best interests in mind. Baker has always done this with the students at campus recreation.

Baker takes the time to talk to students and has always made their needs and desires the No. 1 priority of the recreation center.

Baker has also always been transparent with every line of his budget.

The Daily Eastern News wants to commend the quick manner in which Baker was named interim.

At a meeting with the athletic department Aug. 13, Perry said he wanted to compile a list of candidates and make a decision sometime in September.

The administration seemed to drag its feet before deciding to remove McDuffie, but not so this time.

Finishing the decision-making process before the end of August, as the fall sports prepare for the start of their respective seasons, makes it easier for fans and the athletes to start refocusing their attention onto the fields and courts.

The administration made the right choice in choosing Baker and they also did a positive thing by not letting the decision linger and become an in-season distraction.

The DEN is hopeful they move as swiftly and decisively in finding a permanent replacement.

POLITICAL CARTOONISTS AND GUEST COLUMNISTS NEEDED

The Daily Eastern News is looking for artists who would like to draw political cartoons for the DEN and get their work published. The DEN also has a weekly spot open on Wednesdays for anyone in the Eastern community to submit a column.

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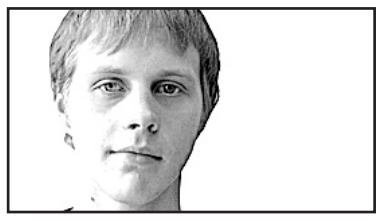
GUEST COLUMN

Spielberg should help Darfur



JACOB
FOSTER

Somewhere right now, shuttered up in a room foggy with swirling curlicues of expensive tobacco smoke, saturating in the sweet smells of single-malt scotch, world-renowned film guru Steven Spielberg is daydreaming about his plans to make the ceremonies of the upcoming Olympics "the most emotional anyone has ever seen." Half a world away, across the desert plains of Sudan, thousands of people continue to live out their nightmares.

OK. So I don't actually know where Steven Spielberg is or what he's doing at this moment or his taste in tobacco or alcohol. For all I know, he could be a fan of Marlboro Reds and cheap blendeds.

That's not the point. The point is what I do know. I do know from articles appearing in the Village Voice that China has appointed him "to orchestrate and direct the opening and closing ceremonies in 2008."

I also know that since Mia Farrow published an op-ed in the Wall Street Journal, China has become the focus of a worldwide shaming campaign aimed at exposing China's relationship with Khartoum.

According to an article in Reuters last week, support from China helped lift "Khartoum's income to at least $1.3 billion a year from oil revenues." The report also showed "China as the largest military weapons and parts supplier to Sudan in 2004 and 2005" with the total in 2005 nearly reaching $25 million.

Figures like these led many people to the same conclusion: the only way the Sudanese government will end the genocide is if China makes them. The problem is, with altruism apparently ruled out, China has no motivation to do so.

Until recently. An article in BusinessWeek noted that China sent a military engineering unit to Sudan after activists had begun to call Beijing 2008, the "genocide Olympics." China also joined in a UN Security Council vote to send 26,000 troops to Sudan.

I do know language that included the threat of UN sanctions should Khartoum fail to comply was removed from the original bill. I do know that foreign troops are not authorized by this resolution to pursue war criminals sought by the ICC like the leader of the Janjaweed militia, Ali Kosheib. I do know that China continues to give Khartoum financial and military aid.

To be fair to Spielberg, he claimed to have been unaware of China's involvement and sent a letter expressing his disapproval. I don't know if I believe him but either way he hasn't threatened to walk away from the project if the atrocities continue.

I also know Olympic Dream for Darfur continues to look for volunteers to help keep the pressure up on China. Now you do, too.

What're you going to do about it? Hopefully, more than send a letter.

CITY

City Hall to be renovated over winter

Building to get new elevator shaft and drive-up window

By Michael Peterson
City Editor

Burgener Plastering Inc. will construct the Exterior Insulation Finishing System for the City Hall's renovation project, as they were the only company to bid on the project.

The Charleston City Council awarded the bid to the Monticello company for $128,700 at Tuesday's meeting.

Talk of renovating for the City Hall has been going on since last year, and all other reconstruction bids were finalized at the last meeting.

Some of the other renovations include building a new elevator shaft, and a drive-up window will be put on the building's west side.

Renovations will begin this fall and should be completed in the spring, said Charleston Mayor John Inyart.

"The building might look kind of odd during the winter," Inyart said.

In addition, the council authorized a lease agreement from developers Charles and Nancy White for a vacant site along Garfield Avenue in the Fields subdivision. The site will be used as a Charleston Junior Football League practice field. The lease was $1 for an entire year.

They also approved an application for the Assist Program, which is a first-time homebuyer's down payment assistance program.

"(The Assist Program) is a great deal," said council member Larry Rennels. "I'm sure there are a lot of people who qualify for the program who don't even realize it."

Charleston has been using the Assist Program for nine years, and has served more than 100 families.

The board also approved the closing of the intersection of Courtland Street and Lover's Lane, as well as on Douglas Street from Hayes Street to McComb Street for the Charleston Challenge Duathlon.

The streets will be closed long enough for participants to pass during the race from 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Sept. 22.

"Realistically the streets are probably only going to be closed for 10 or 15 minutes while the runners go through that part of the street," Inyart said.

The council also approved raffle permits for the Charleston Area Chamber of Commerce Lootery at the County Club, the Gary Craig Memorial Scholarship, and Lincoln Heritage Chapter–Pheasants Forever.

CITY COUNCIL MEETING

- **Where:** City Hall, 520 Jackson Ave.
- **When:** 7:30 p.m. on the first and third Tuesdays of every month

Faculty Senate meetings off to a smooth start

Senate hopes to increase number of incoming freshmen

By Beth Hackett
Faculty Senate Reporter

Brenda Major told the Faculty Senate Tuesday that Illinois is the second highest exporter of college-prepared high school graduates in the nation; California is the first.

The bottom line, how can Eastern get more of those students on to campus earlier?

Major said that although the number of transfer students for this semester has increased, they would like to see a higher number of initial freshmen enroll at Eastern.

Major, Eastern's Director of Admissions, told the senate that more students are applying for colleges online than ever before, and, as a result, many do not thoroughly read through enrollment packages to gain a full understanding of the school.

"When they apply online they are less likely to communicate with their guidance counselors," Major said.

Major has been a regular at the first Faculty Senate meeting of the year for many years and Faculty Senate Chair Lynne Curry said her presence is beneficial for senate members.

"We find it to be a good way to find out who our students are and have an idea of the numbers," Curry said.

Major said Admissions has been working very hard to send the enrollment packages directly to the students and guidance counselors.

The department will also focus on connecting on a more personal level with high school juniors and seniors.

"We are also going to start contacting those students through e-mail, mail, and telephone to talk them through the enrollment process," said Major.

"When (prospective students) apply online they are less likely to communicate with their guidance counselors."

— Brenda Major
Director of Admissions at Eastern

She said the Admissions office will also be working more closely with Financial Aid, Housing, and Orientation to make sure that each student is continuing to get consistent information throughout the process.

Curry said the meeting accomplished important objectives that will help the year go by efficiently.

Faculty Senate members were appointed to several committees, including the nominations committee, student faculty relations committee, and faculty forum committee.

The Faculty Senate Web site will be undergoing improvements throughout the next weeks but will still be accessible.

3rd Annual Union Bookstore Juried Photo Contest

Information and Important Dates

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Dates:

Entry deadline.....Midnight, Sept 4, 2007
Selected photos printed/displayed.....Sept 28, 2007
'People's Choice' voting in Bookstore...Sept 29-Oct 9, 2007
Awardees Announced in DEN.....Oct 19, 2007

Entry Format / Media:

A complete entry includes both of the following:

1. Entry form (below) filled out and turned in to the Union Bookstore Customer Service counter (one form per photographer).
2. Original photographs (digital or scanned), e-mailed to ***eiubookstore@yahoo.com***.
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Subject matter is "open", but should relate to EIU or Coles County in some way.

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STATE BRIEFS

Schools want governor to cut through red tape

SPRINGFIELD (AP) – School officials complained Tuesday that Gov. Rod Blagojevich, a man known for bending the rules occasionally, is doing nothing to cut the red tape blocking money to repair crumbling old school buildings.

A new law entitles 24 districts to share $150 million in construction funds. But Blagojevich says the law didn't take effect until after a paperwork deadline, so he can't deliver the money.

"I am pleading with the governor for the children of my community: Please release this money," said Ruth Schneider, superintendent of Stewardson-Strasburg District 5A.

Former Gov. Ryan's conviction upheld

CHICAGO (AP) - George Ryan's hope of avoiding federal prison flickered to its dimmest level ever Tuesday only to flare up again in a fresh twist to the former governor's racketeering and fraud case. A federal appeals court upheld his April 2006 conviction and later, with Ryan under orders to report to prison within 72 hours, decided to let the 73-year-old former governor remain free pending further appeal.

"We are grateful," former Gov. James R. Thompson, a member of Ryan's defense team, said. Ryan hopes to press the appeal that failed before a three-judge panel of the appeals court before all 11 actively serving judges.

The day began with the U.S. 7th Circuit Court of Appeals upholding Ryan's conviction.

CHICAGO

Tribune Co. consents to buyout

Company will soon be owned by employees, unions complained

The Associated Press

Tribune Co. shareholders consented to the $8.2 billion buyout of the media conglomerate on Tuesday, an expected but noteworthy milestone in a drawn-out transaction that still awaits federal approval and billions of dollars in promised financing.

The shareholder meeting in Tribune Tower, the last scheduled for the 160-year-old company, was marked by unions' complaints that employees of the soon-to-be employee-owned firm will have no formal role in running it.

Some shareholders also voiced concerns about its ability to operate in a struggling newspaper industry under a mountain of debt.

But Tribune easily secured the backing of shareholders for the deal to take the company private under an employee stock ownership plan _ a foregone conclusion since the $34-a-share transaction will pay them significantly more than the current value of the languishing stock.

Preliminary results indicated 97 percent of those casting votes, representing a majority of shares, had approved the April 1 deal led by billionaire Sam Zell.

Chief Executive Dennis FitzSimons, who will cede the chairman's role to Zell when the deal is complete, said the real estate mogul had a prior commitment.

CHUCK BERMAN | MCT

Shareholder Martin Glotzer (left) chats with Dennis FitzSimons, Tribune Company chairman/president & CEO, at the shareholders meeting to vote to approve a $8.2 billion plan to take the company private.

Zell later issued a statement through the company reiterating his commitment to the deal: "I believe Tribune Co. is reasserting itself as a national leader in news generation and distribution. Despite the recent upheaval in the credit markets, my view of the company as an investment has not changed."

FitzSimons told shareholders the company anticipates receiving approval from the Federal Communications Commission in the fourth quarter, with the deal closing soon afterward.

He said Tribune expects its operations to remain in compliance with creditors, as required to hold lenders to their commitment for an additional $4.2 billion in financing.

He also assured employees that their retirement benefits are "safe and secure," calling some union claims to the contrary "a blatant misrepresentation of facts."

Several representatives of the International Brotherhood of Teamsters, which represents about 2,000 Tribune employees, objected to the lack of clout that Tribune workers will have under the employee stock ownership plan.

They were unimpressed by FitzSimons' statement that employees will be represented by a trustee, the GreatBanc Trust Co., which will vote on board directors.

"We're going to continue to push for employee representation on the board and the ESOP," Teamsters representative Louis Malizia said afterward. "These are future owners of the company now, and they deserve a fair shake."

Tribune, which owns 11 daily newspapers, 23 TV stations and the Chicago Cubs, needs the FCC to grant it waivers from rules banning same-market ownership of television and newspapers.

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NATION BRIEFS

Wal-Mart pet food contained melamine

LITTLE ROCK, Ark. (AP) - Tests of two Chinese brands of dog treats sold at Wal-Mart stores found traces of melamine, a chemical agent that led to another massive pet food recall in March, a spokeswoman said Tuesday.

Wal-Mart quietly stopped selling Chicken Jerky Strips from Import-Pingyang Pet Product Co. and Chicken Jerky from Shanghai Bestro Trading in July, after customers said the products sickened their pets. Company spokeswoman Deisha Galberth said 17 sets of tests done on the products found melamine, a contaminant that's a byproduct of several pesticides.

More than 150 brands of pet food were recalled earlier this year after U.S. inspectors said wheat gluten from China that was used to make the food was tainted with melamine. An unknown number of dogs and cats died.

Residents return home after 800-acre wildfire

BILLINGS, Mont. (AP) - Residents of a subdivision were allowed to return home Tuesday as authorities said an 800-acre wildfire that had destroyed two homes was under control.

Mop-up efforts were expected to continue for the next couple of days in the 300-home subdivision near Billings where two homes and a church cabin were destroyed by the fast-moving fire Sunday night and early Monday morning.

Obama: no military solution to war in Iraq

e KANSAS CITY, Mo. (AP) _ Democrat Barack Obama said Tuesday the recent increase in American troops in Iraq may well have helped tamp down violence, but he insisted there is no military solution to the country's problems and U.S. forces should be redeployed soon. Obama spoke a day after his main Democratic presidential rival, Hillary Rodham Clinton, made similar comments.

Space shuttle makes safe landing

Gouge repaired in early-mission space walk does not hinder return of Endeavour

The Associated Press

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. – Even as the wounded space shuttle Endeavour brought its seven astronauts safely home Tuesday, NASA is looking ahead to three more launches at risk for the same kind of damage.

There is a striking parallel with the 2003 Columbia disaster in the space agency's failure to anticipate the harm from breaking ice or insulating foam – this time from a new area of the shuttle's fuel tank.

The 3 1/2-inch-long gouge in Endeavour's belly did not put the astronauts at risk. And as soon as the damaged tiles are popped off, engineers will know whether repairs are needed to the underlying aluminum structure. The gash seemed to weather the return flight well, NASA said.

But for the early part of Endeavour's 13-day mission there was an eerie sense of deja vu.

Back before Columbia flew its last mission four years ago, NASA knew it had a foam problem with its fuel tanks but never imagined a piece of the airy insulation could severely wound a space shuttle.

RED HUBER | MCT

After returning back to earth from space, astronaut Barbara Morgan (right) receives a hug from Ed Campion, NASA public affairs officer Tuesday after landing at Kennedy Space Center in Florida.

The result: Columbia shattered during re-entry to Earth's atmosphere, just five days before engineers were to propose possible repairs.

This time, NASA knew it had a foam problem with brackets on its fuel tanks but never imagined a stray piece would ricochet off the tank and smash into the shuttle.

The result: Endeavour was gouged.

Retired Navy Adm. Harold Gehman Jr., who headed the 2003 Columbia investigation, was reluctant to comment this week on the troublesome brackets, which support the fuel feed line on the tank. He said he didn't have enough information.

But he observed: "You have to assume things are going to happen and you have to mitigate the consequences, that's what our report was all about."

Endeavour's gash was too small for scorching atmospheric gases to penetrate and cause serious damage, mission managers said during the flight. It was also on the belly, a more benign area than the nose or wings, which are subjected to much higher heat. The platesize hole that brought down Columbia pierced the left wing.

Commander Scott Kelly said he was "a little bit underwhelmed" when he saw the gouge for himself after touchdown. "We knew how big it was conceptually. We were told the dimensions. But to see it, it looked rather small," he told reporters.

Officials who checked out Endeavour on the runway said there was no apparent charring to the exposed felt fabric, the last barrier before the aluminum frame.

But now NASA finds itself playing catch-up. It's analyzing a variety of temporary bracket solutions, which may or may not be in place before the next space station construction mission in late October.

Making the brackets with titanium, which would require far less foam insulation than the aluminum version, is the permanent solution ordered after the problem first cropped up last summer.

But that won't happen until next spring. By then, NASA will be two years from retiring its three remaining space shuttles after wrapping up a schedule for finishing construction of the international space station.

Engineers are considering a variety of short-term options: shaving some foam from the brackets or possibly applying an oil to the foam to reduce condensation and the buildup of ice.

Minnesota to get federal help with crises

Bush declares emergency for state reeling from flooding, I-35W bridge collapse

The Associated Press

MINNEAPOLIS – President Bush said Tuesday the federal government will use its power to accelerate Minnesota's recovery from a bridge disaster and flash flooding.

Bush's comments here, after a briefing from federal and state authorities, were meant as a boost of confidence for a state that has dealt with twin crises this summer.

The Interstate 35W bridge collapsed into the Mississippi River nearly three weeks ago, killing at least 13 people and shutting down a major transportation artery. And over the weekend, heavy Midwest storms and flooding killed at least 20, six of them in Minnesota.

Bush confronted both topics before heading nearby for a Republican fundraiser.

"Our job now is to cut through the bureaucracy, as best as possible, and get the people down here a new bridge," Bush said from the Minneapolis/St. Paul Air Reserve Station.

Bush commended those who have led recovery efforts, including military divers who have searched for bodies. He personally met with about 20 of the divers to thank them.

"The spirit that caused the recovery to be well coordinated is the very same spirit that's going to cause this bridge to get rebuilt," Bush promised.

With the search for bodies over at the site of the interstate bridge collapse, authorities will focus on removing tons of wreckage from the Mississippi River so a replacement bridge can be built over the next year.

Bush on Tuesday declared an emergency exists in the state, freeing up the city and state for more federal aid in their recovery efforts.

On the flooding, Bush said the government would move quickly to process requests for help from Minnesota, so that residents could count on a "flood of help" to come down.

He later attended a fundraiser for Sen. Norm Coleman, a Republican whose seat is considered vulnerable in 2008.

The event raised $1.2 million for Coleman and the Minnesota Republican Party.

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WEIRD FROM THE WIRE

Flushing away the competition

Cincinnati food market sweeps up top prize, defeats restaurant from Flushing, Mich.

The Associated Press

FAIRFIELD, Ohio – A suburban Cincinnati grocery store cleaned up Tuesday in an annual contest for America's tidiest toilets.

The restrooms at Jungle Jim's International Market appear to be portable toilets, but they actually lead to real jungle-themed restrooms with flowers, marble and tropical pictures. They were named the nation's finest in a nonscientific online poll sponsored by a bathroom supply company.

"I'm all about putting smiles on people's faces," said store owner Jim Bonaminio. "People are so tense these days. Those bathrooms just seem to make people laugh and that's what we're all about: laughing and having fun."

Cintas Corp., a uniform supplier and provider of bathroom products and services based in Cincinnati, said Tuesday that tens of thousands of online votes were cast in the sixth competition, choosing from finalists selected for hygiene, style and public access.

Also-rans included a Las Vegas hotel lounge and an upscale restaurant in Flushing, Mich.

Anyone could nominate a restroom online, and Cintas picks the final list of 15 nominees to put to the Internet-based vote.

Baker's interim appointment met with positive reaction

REACTION, FROM PAGE 12

President William Perry announced Baker full-time as the interim athletic director in an

Before Baker was named, Dan Nadler, vice president for student affairs, served as the temporary athletic director.

"A lot of us scattered," head women's rugby coach Frank Graziano said. "So we all went to work.'

Baker did not seem too shocked that he got the job either.

Most of the coaches and faculty at Eastern share the same feelings when it comes to the hiring of Baker.

"Ken is real familiar with the EIU community and athletic department," baseball coach Jim Schmitz said. "It's a quick decision, but a good decision. He'll provide the leadership we'll need for the next few months."

Sports Information Director Rich Moser said he felt confident about Baker's hiring and was happy for Baker.

A national search will begin the fall with input from the university and the athletic department.

"(Baker will) be a good representative of Eastern athletics," said head softball coach Kim Schuette. "His energy and compassion for the university is great as well he trusts people to do their job."

Schuette said leadership is an integral part of athletics.

Supporting people through hard times and helping lead them to the right answers is an integral part of being a leader, she said.

Another coach is also excited about having Baker as athletic director.

Graziano has developed a good working relationship with Baker for the past nine years.

"It's a nice, nice fit for the next three or four months," Graziano said. "I don't know anybody in the department that would say anything negative about Dr. Baker."

Graziano thinks Baker will be fine with all of the work he has handled.

"We all multi-task," Graziano said.

Baker was chosen from several nominees, and as much as he is happy with the decision, he has been told that as of right now, Baker will only serve as interim and will probably not return as the athletic director after this year, though that's not because he does not want him to return.

Baker said that he is taking this one day time and is not too worried about next year or the next selection of AD.

"I have no personal agenda in mind," Baker said. "I have no plans to apply."

YOUR OPINION

'WHAT ARE YOUR THOUGHTS ON KEN BAKER BECOMING INTERIM ATHLETIC DIRECTOR?'

"He needs to know he has a big responsibility."

Steve Grzybek
Sophomore
Engineering

"Our loss is their gain."

Mindy Meehliing
SRC Secretary

"I think he's a great choice. He has experience, knowledge and people skills."

Heather Katzenmeier
Asst. Athletic Trainer

"It's very exciting, and (he) can do a lot of great things in moving the athletic department forward."

Amy Schreiber
Asst. Volleyball Coach

Moving athletes to different halls is unfair

MOVING, FROM PAGE 12

In order for Eastern to comply with an NCAA regulation that calls for residence halls to be composed of at least 51% non-athletes, the track and cross country teams as well as a few other athletes were asked to move from Lincoln and Douglas Halls out to Taylor Hall.

Effective with last year's incoming freshmen, student athletes were required to live on campus for their freshmen and sophomore years as opposed to just their freshman year.

This regulation doubled the amount of athletes placed in Lincoln and Douglas and forced Eastern to take action in order to comply with the NCAA ruling.

Track and Field was one of the main sports chosen for the move because their team had the most people and would help to even out the numbers.

I realize that Taylor is not a ridiculous walk to the Rec Center or the field house and I am not going to argue that these athletes have to walk an extra 100 meters to practice.

The extra 3-minute walk these athletes are going to have to make is not the argument here.

Head track and field coach Tom Akers said, "If our track athletes can't make that extra walk then we are going to have serious trouble as a track program."

The argument is that by trying to comply with the NCAA rules, to treat athletes the same as non-athletes, they are instead treating the athletes unfairly by forcing them to live somewhere else.

Athletes like Phegley, or fellow sophomore thrower Kandace Arnold who had already acquired leadership positions in their hall, are not being treated fairly because they no longer have the ability to fulfill jobs they had earned.

"By trying to comply with the NCAA rules, to treat athletes the same as non-athletes, they are instead treating the athletes unfairly by forcing them to live somewhere else."

Other athletes that may not have had leadership roles did at least develop some relationships with other athletes in the Lincoln, Stevenson, Douglas complex and are now isolated from them.

The regulation was put in place when larger Division I schools started making their athletic residence halls the elite halls on campus.

That is not the case here at Eastern, with Lincoln and Douglas being some of the oldest halls, it is not like the athletes are getting preferential treatment by staying in these buildings.

The only advantage of putting athletes in Lincoln and Douglas is the proximity of those buildings to their practice facilities, not to give them added luxuries that non-athletes don't get.

Staying in Lincoln or Douglas was not about luxuries and fancy things for these athletes. It was about being close to their practice facilities, coaches, and other athletes on campus.

It wasn't meant to exclude non-athletes but to keep athletes included with easier and efficient opportunities to train.

EIU veteran takes over as interim director

BAKER, FROM PAGE 1

Baker has served as director of campus recreation since 2000.

"I enjoy working with students," he said. "It's fun to have all the students back and get school started again."

In a written statement, Nadler said the university will immediately begin reviewing temporary leadership alternatives for that area.

Besides his work at Eastern, Baker has been a football referee for the Big Ten and the NFL. Although he retired from refereeing on the field in 2001, he has been a replay official since 2003.

Prior to Baker being named, Nadler served as temporary athletic director before an interim director could be hired.

The athletics department will still report to Nadler, Perry said, because it makes it easier to communicate.

"(Nadler) and I are right down the hall from each other," Perry said.

There will also be regular meetings between Perry, Nadler and Baker.

A nationwide search for a permanent athletic director is set to begin this fall. A search advisory committee should be formed by September, Perry said.

Perry said Baker will not be a candidate for the permanent position.

The New York Times Crossword

Edited by Will Shortz

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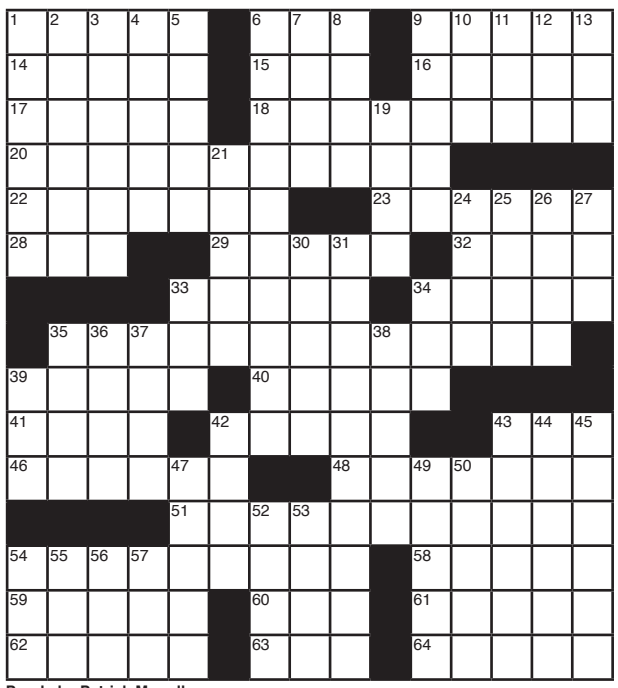

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6 50 Cent piece
9 Constantly change lanes
14 "Peachy!"
15 Voters liked him twice
16 Stan's partner in old films
17 Poke, in a way
18 Mature before being picked
20 Sport played on the first word of its name
22 Ax user, e.g.
23 Page turner
28 Eerie
29 Tot's wheels
32 Say "uncle"
33 Popular clog-buster
34 California's state bird
35 Sport played in the first word of its name
39 Gucci competitor
40 Scrabble draw
41 Prefix with -gon
42 The lion in "The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe"
43 Go out, as embers
46 Organized crime
48 "You can come out now"
51 Sport played on the first word of its name
54 It may get stuck in a movie theater
58 Home of Brigham Young University
59 Fictional Scarlett
60 Lead-in to many a chef's name
61 Fan's opposite
62 "Shucks!"
63 Horse color
64 Alley pickup

DOWN

1 Boxing combo
2 Installed anew, as flooring
3 Took a taxi, with "it"
4 Ringlike island
5 Scattered over the earth
6 They run rapids
7 Related
8 William for whom a colony was named
9 Not as good
10 Inventor Whitney
11 European peak
12 Compete
13 Poetic darkness
19 Limerick's home
21 Neon ___ (fish)
24 Contents of una fontana
25 Use a rotary phone
26 Dr. ___ of "Austin Powers" films
27 Divinity sch. subject
30 How sardines are often packed
31 Pitcher who says "Oh, yeaahh!"
33 Crime lab evidence
34 Some hikers' targets, for short
35 St. Louis attraction
36 Appraise
37 Noted cheese town
38 Tither's amount
39 Poker payoff
42 Irish Rose's beau
43 Some Plains Indians
44 "Should that come to pass"
45 Pooh's mopey pal
47 Words after court or rule
49 Frosh, next year
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GOLF | SCHEDULES

Tiger's best shot at being MVP is to go MIA

Past proves that Woods performs better by setting his own pace

The Associated Press

HARRISON, N.Y. – Tiger Woods has played four straight weeks on the PGA Tour only five times in his career, and two of those stretches came in 1996 when he was a 20-year-old rookie trying to avoid going to Q-school.

So his absence from the first of four playoff events in the FedEx Cup should have come as no surprise.

Nor should it be a problem.

Once the inaugural "PGA Tour Playoffs" head toward a conclusion, no one will remember that Woods skipped The Barclays. Even if he doesn't win the FedEx Cup, odds are he'll be in the running. And that beats any interest golf used to have in the fall, which was next to nil.

Truth is, Woods might have done the tour a favor.

Considering how he has been playing lately (two straight victories), and how he finished last season (six straight PGA Tour victories), it was conceivable the world's No. 1 player could have wrapped up the FedEx Cup and gone home before the Tour Championship.

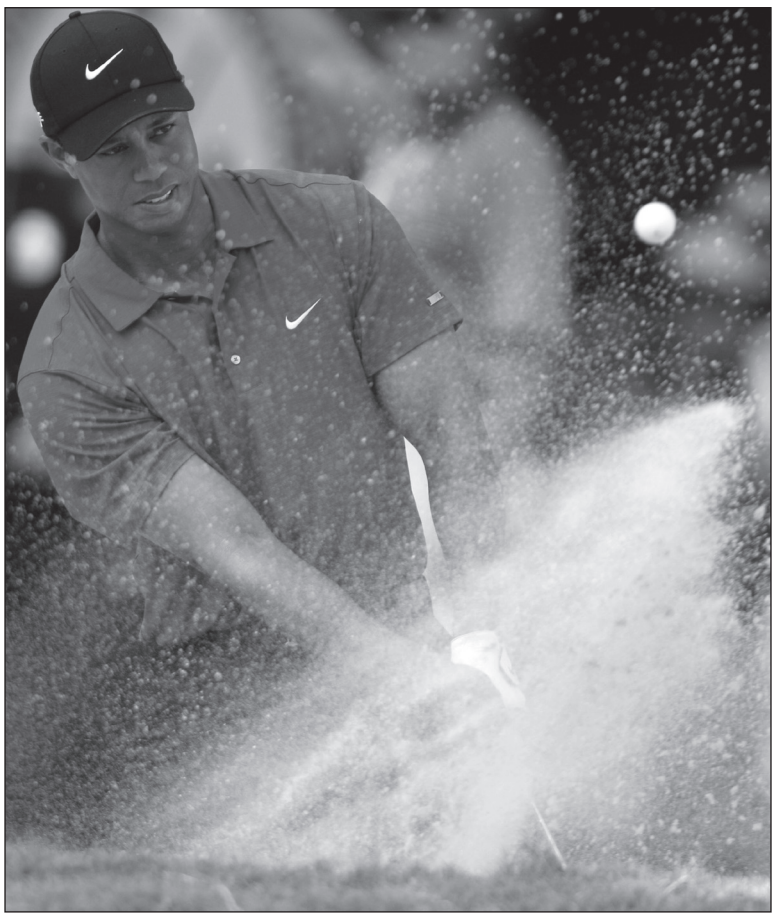
Which would have looked worse: Woods skipping what amounts to a wild-card game or sitting out the Super Bowl?

"Maybe he figured he had a first-round bye," Woody Austin said Tuesday on a dreary day of rain at Westchester, which seemed to set the mood for those who believe the playoffs already are a bust because one guy didn't show up.

Woods, of course, cares more about himself than an organization he could have supported by showing up in New York.

Nothing wrong with that, either.

The tour is bringing a team concept to golf with these playoffs, but it's still an individual sport.



TRAVIS HEYING | MCT

Tiger Woods hits out of a bunker on the 13th hole on his way to winning the PGA Championships at Southern Hills Country Club in Tulsa, Okla., on Aug. 12. Woods won the tournament by two strokes over Woody Austin.

PGA Tour commissioner Tim Finchem must have come to the same conclusion Sunday during the final round of the Wyndham Championship, the last tournament to qualify for the playoffs. Yes, he was disappointed that Woods decided not to play The Barclays, especially after the tour was banking on all the stars playing the final four weeks of the FedEx Cup.

"On the other hand," Finchem said, "I can't second-guess Tiger about what he thinks he has to do to win."

History shows that Woods plays his best golf when he paces himself, just as Jack Nicklaus did before him.

The best example might have been in 1996, when he played four straight weeks while trying to earn enough money to get his PGA Tour card. With a job secured and his energy drained, Woods unceremoniously pulled out of the Buick Challenge, then won two of his next three starts to qualify for the Tour Championship.

The most he has ever played in a row on the PGA Tour was five weeks in early 1999. His lone victory during that stretch came at the Buick Invitational, where he flirted with missing the cut before a 62-65 weekend.

Of his 59 tour victories, Woods has won only 10 times while playing his third consecutive week.

He has a formula, and it seems to work.

Contrast that with Brandt Snedeker, who won in Greensboro to improve his seeding in the playoffs from No. 32 to No. 9. The tour rookie also played in the PGA Championship, so he could finish the season playing six straight weeks.

"Some guys play their best golf after weeks off. That's just the way it is," Snedeker said. "Everybody is different. I seem to play my best golf when I go on stretches like this where I play a lot on the road for some reason."

K.J. Choi once closed the 2000 season by playing six straight weeks. He missed the cut five straight times before a tie for 29th in the Southern Farm Bureau Classic.

"By the fifth week, I was so worn out," Choi said. "All my shots were weak and I had no energy."

If there's a problem with the FedEx Cup, it might be asking players to cram so much golf into such a short stretch. Golf is more about quality starts than endurance, which is why so many players set their schedules accordingly.

Woods is among those who can get away with it.

Scott Verplank already is thinking about skipping round two at the Deutsche Bank Championship. He is No. 11 in the standings and is virtually a lock to play in the Tour Championship at East Lake, a course on which he feels as though he can win.

"I know me better than anyone else, and my body is not going to hold up over four weeks," the 43-year-old Verplank said. "If I'm beat up and dead tired going to Atlanta, on a course where I feel I can win, what good is that?"

PANTHER SCHEDULES

WOMEN'S SOCCER

SATURDAY	IUPUI (exhibition) Lakeside Field 4 p.m.
AUG. 31	at Eastern Michigan Ypsilanti, Mich. 4 p.m.
SEPT. 2	at Bowling Green Bowling Green, Ohio 11 a.m.

MEN'S SOCCER

FRIDAY	Intrasquad Match Lakeside Field 7 p.m.
AUG. 31	vs. Belmont (Bradley Classic) Peoria 5 p.m.
SEPT. 1	vs. Lipscomb (Bradley Classic) Peoria 5 p.m.

VOLLEYBALL

FRIDAY	vs. McNeese State (SMU Invitational) Dallas 4:30 p.m.
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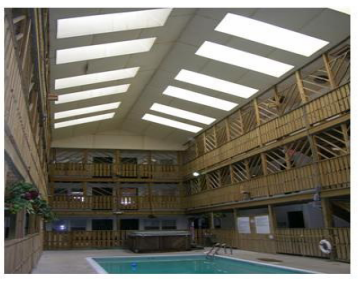
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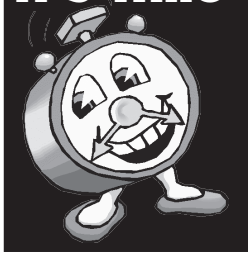
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FOOTBALL | NOTEBOOK

Rugby-style punt may be no more this season

By Matt Daniels
Staff Reporter

KARLA BROWNING | DEN
Freshmen tight end Alex Jones, runs down field during an intersquad practice game. The Panthers open their season at home against Tennessee Tech next Thursday at 6 p.m.

Eastern may not use what has become its signature punting style this season.

The Panthers have used a rugby-style punt the past two years. The style has the punter roll out to their right and kick a low, line drive punt that will bounce on the ground and roll – either forward, backward or sideways.

Former special teams coach Jeff Choate, now the special teams coach at Boise State, brought the style to Charleston in 2005.

Tom Schofield averaged 39.3 yards per punt that year, which was second in the Ohio Valley Conference. Last year, Zach Yates averaged 36.1 yard per punt, which ranked seventh.

This year, Eastern has red-shirt freshman Kevin Cook at its disposal. Cook is a traditional drop-back punter who is slated to start.

Yates said he is hopeful the rugby punt will still be used, especially in situations where Eastern opponents would begin their series in bad field position.

"We got a good red-shirt freshman in Kevin Cook who can just bomb them when given the opportunity," Yates said. "But the rugby punt is pretty effective in pin situations."

Yates, last year's starting place kicker, is competing with junior Tyler Wilke for the job this season. Last year, Yates made 12-of-16 field goal attempts and converted 33-of-38 extra point attempts.

"It's my job to lose at this point," Yates said. "But you know, Wilke's a great kicker. The better he does, the better I do."

Panthers to appear on TV 11 times during 2007 season

Seven of Eastern's 11 games this season will be televised, including a national television audience for its home opener.

Eastern's game against Tennessee Tech Aug.30 will be televised by CSTV with a 6 p.m. kickoff scheduled.

CSTV can be seen in nearly 20 million homes across the country, both on cable and satellite, according to its Web site.

The Big Ten Network will televise Eastern's game at Purdue on Sept. 8 at 11 a.m.

Munoz new offensive coordinator, philosophy to remain

Jorge Munoz was promoted to offensive coordinator last April, a role he shared last season with Hutson.

Munoz said not much will change in terms of this year's play-calling.

"The overall philosophy: we're going to be no-huddle," Munoz said. "We're going to pound the ball and establish the run. We're going to try to get (wide receiver Micah) Rucker the ball more. Not just deep, but also some screens."

Rucker, nursing a foot sprain that has kept him from practicing yet, said he is prepared to be the focal point of opposing defenses this year. Last year, he caught 49 passes for 966 yards and 13 touchdowns. He was named by the Sports Network to its third-team All-American team last year and has been named by various publications to different All-American teams this preseason.

"I think I kind of saw some of the things last year when teams would play defense and they would double-team me," he said. "Bring a linebacker under or bring a safety way over the top to take away the deep ball. We've got some new stuff and some new plays in this year to kind of single me out and get me moving in some different motions."

Daniels' closing thought:

Any out-of-town media or visiting sports information director usually is surprised once they see Eastern punt.

The rugby-punt has certainly left people a little confused the first time they see it, but it is an effective punt – when done correctly. Yates had a punt travel 59 yards in last year's playoff loss to Illinois State and pinned the Redbirds at their own 5-yard line.

But the ball was only in the air for maybe half the distance.

The ball rolled the rest of the way, and slowed as it approached the end zone, allowing Eastern's special team members time to down the ball.

Then again, Yates had a punt blocked deep in Samford's territory in last year's game against the Bulldogs.

Yates rolled out to his customary right, but Samford overloaded the right side of the line.

The result: Yates' punt was easily blocked.

Panthers travel to Purdue, host Illinois State this year

Key conference game looms against Tennessee-Martin

By Matt Daniels
Staff Reporter

It still pains senior linebacker Donald Thomas to talk about it.

By the time Eastern hosts Illinois State on Sept. 15, it will have been exactly 300 days since ISU defeated the Panthers 24-13 in a first-round Football Championship Subdivision playoff game at O'Brien Stadium.

It was the second loss Eastern suffered to the Redbirds following the regular-season's 44-30 loss in Normal. In the regular-season game, ISU scored a late touchdown in the final minute to win by two touchdowns. After the game, ISU linebacker Cameron Siskowic said, "I haven't lost to them in four years and we don't lose to Eastern."

In fact, Eastern has lost its last five games to Illinois State, out of the Gateway Conference, and eight of the last nine games in the longest-standing football rivalry in Illinois.

"I think who leaves the nastiest taste in my mouth, non-conference, is Illinois State," Thomas said. "The first game we played them (last year) was a real close game and the playoff game left a real bad taste in my mouth."

By the time the two teams meet Sept. 15, Eastern will have already played two games and have a good idea just how important the game against the Redbirds is.

The Panthers' open the season is next Thursday night at home against Ohio Valley Conference opponent Tennessee Tech. The game was originally scheduled to be played Nov. 3, but Tech arranged in late-January to play at Auburn on that day. Eastern and Tech worked out an agreement to have their seasons start with the first conference game in the FCS.

The following Saturday Eastern travels to West Lafayette, Ind., to face Big Ten foe Purdue. The trip will be Eastern head football coach Bob Spoo's first trip to coach against his alma mater and the school he coached at from 1978-86.

Senior wide receiver Micah Rucker, who transferred from Minnesota prior to last season, said that game will be a good test for the team.

"I tell you, that's going to be a live game," Rucker said. "They've got some crazy fans."

After hosting Illinois State, the Panthers are on the road for the next two weeks. They travel to face another Gateway school in Indiana State on Sept. 22 and then OVC opponent Southeast Missouri.

During Family Weekend, the Panthers host Eastern Kentucky on Oct. 6 and host Tennessee-Martin on Oct. 20 for Homecoming. UTM beat Eastern 15-9 last year in the Panthers only conference loss in the last two seasons.

"My sophomore year, I had a terrible game against those guys," Thomas said about UTM. "Last year, I had an OK game. They just beat us and it just hurts because we were a better team than those guys."

Eastern ends the regular season on Nov. 17 with a home game against Samford. That game will be Samford's last game playing football in the OVC.

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TRIPLE THREAT 3

THE VALLEY
MISSOURI VALLEY CONFERENCE

Eastern men's soccer was picked to finish third in the Missouri Valley Conference (above). Last year the Panthers finished sixth in the conference and made the semifinals of the conference tournament. They are picked behind perennial MVC powerhouse Creighton and they are also behind Bradley. The Panthers went 11-7-2 in 2006 and will once again be led by head coach Adam Howarth.

Here are the MVC preseason picks and why they will help the Panthers.

1. Mick Galeski – The senior captain from Blackburn, England started all 20 games as was All-MVC last year. He finished tied for second in the conference for assists and had the most assists for the Panthers since 2000. As a junior, he was also named to the MVC Tournament team and the Bowling Green Invitational All-Tournament team. As a sophomore he was named to the Honorable Mention All-MVC team and as a freshman was named to the Vanderbilt Puma Classic All-Tournament team.

2. Brad Peters – Peters shared similar honors with Galeski. He was named first team all-conference, to the conference tournament team and the Bowling Green Invitational All-Tournament team. He registered his first career hat trick last year and led the conference in goals and points and second in game-winning goals and shots.

3. Brad Earl – This senior from Coppell, Texas, will continue to lead the Panthers as well. He was named to the Honorable Mention conference team as a junior. Earl was also named to College Soccer News National Team of the Week and Soccertimes.com National Honor Roll last season. Earl also scored the game-winning overtime goal against Western Illinois and scored twice in the Wisconsin-Green Bay Classic for the Panthers to clinch the Bowling Green Invitational Tournament title.

– Kevin Murphy

SISTER, SISTER

Sisters and fellow Panther volleyball teammates Eliza and Alex Zwettler are the first EIU sisters to play volleyball together at the same time. Senior Eliza transfered from Troy University two years ago and Alex is a freshman. The sisters discuss their upbringing in sports, family and how to play on the same team together without letting the sister rivalry hurt the team's success.

AMIR PRELLBERG | DEN

Sisters Eliza and Alex Zwettler are excited about being on the same team at Eastern this year and that their family will see them play together.

By Adam Tedder
Sports Editor

How was it growing up? Was it very comepetitive both being athletes?

Eliza: It was very competitive. Both of our parents are coaches and athletes, and our older sister Callie Meiller (whom was recently married) actually played at the University of Minnesota Duluth. She had a very, very good career there and was actually a two-time All-American. Growing up, we all always played softball, basketball, volleyball and soccer. We didn't do that very long. We would always go to the back yard and play homerun derby and lighting. It was very competitive, but we all enjoyed it and were all each other's biggest fans. My dad was a high school basketball coach and my mom coached all three of us for three years each in volleyball. We have a younger brother, Jack, who is very competitive as well. He's a really good sport about coming to all of our games and we try to do the same for him for baseball and football.

When did you discover volleyball was the sport you wanted to play?

Alex: I thought ever since I was very young, probably since 8th grade, that it was going to be mine. I grew up watching my sisters play volleyball. I did play basketball and softball, but I always thought that volleyball was going to be my thing because of my sisters and growing up in their footsteps.

Eliza: My first love was basketball and it still is. I think it just came natural to play volleyball in college because of the opportunities there are with club ball and all and I never played basketball. I am very short, even for a volleyball player and I would have been short as a basketball player. My whole life I was told that if I wanted to play collegiate volleyball, I would play back row, which is something I wanted to show they were wrong, and that I could play front row being 5'6 ½.

What does Coach Lori Bennett say about you two on the same team?

Eliza: There hasn't been a lot said about it. I think they look at us as two individual players and two individual teammates. I don't think they treat us any differently than they treat the rest of the team as teammates or player-coach relationship.

What is it like to come to a team where your sister has already played here before you? Was it encouraging or difficult?

Alex: Yeah, it was probably part of my decision to come here. I thought it would be an easier transition from high school to college.

SEE *ZWETTLERS,* PAGE *9*

Athletes sent packing

BRANDY
PROVAZNIK

Sophomore thrower Jaimee Phegley had already picked her room assignments and been nominated for president of Lincoln Hall when she was informed that she would have to move to Taylor Hall for the 2007-2008 academic year.

SEE *MOVING* , PAGE *9*

Baker ready for next challenge

Campus recreation director ready for new job as interim athletic director; no plans to apply for full position

By Adam Tedder
Sports Editor
and
Kevin Murphy
Staff Reporter

Newly appointed athletic director Ken Baker insists his new job does not frighten him.

He is prepared, backed up with his history in the Charleston area – his first Eastern contact dating back 53 years ago – and both college and professional sports.

Baker even met his wife, Sandy, here 33 years ago when she was a Pink Panther.

He graduated from Eastern in 1972 and attained his masters from Eastern as well. He taught at Eastern and Lake Land College. He also coached and taught at Charleston Junior and Senior High Schools.

"I think he is very well-received," said Mike Miller, Eastern's head men's basketball coach. "(His interaction with the community) is very consistent and I respect it."

Baker also earned the Eastern Distinguished Honors Faculty Award in 1999 and earned a varsity letter in 1972 as a senior.

Baker has also served as National Football League referee.

Baker will continue to serve as the director of campus recreation and also an active NFL replay official.

He said he was content with his position before the recent appointment.

"I love my job at the Rec center," Baker said. "I wasn't looking for this job, but I am looking forward to this position."

Baker will serve as the head athletic director until a replacement is found.

He replaces Rich McDuffie, who was put on paid leave on Aug. 13 following charges of sexual harassment.

"I'm prepared for the job ahead of me," Baker said Tuesday evening. "I was just in front of 10 to 20 million people this past weekend.

But is there work to be done? Yes, and that's why I'm still here at 5:30 today."

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