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DROPPING THE BALL
The Eastern men's basketball team lost to Murray State Wednesday in the first round of the OVC tournament.
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PANTHER PLUNGE
Eastern students will take the plunge into Lake Sara in Effingham on Saturday to raise money for Special Olympics.
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House fails to override funding veto

By Cassie Buchman
Associate News Editor | @cjbuchman

The Illinois House of Representatives failed to pass an attempt to override Gov. Bruce Rauner's veto of SB2043, which would have funded Monetary Award Program grants and community colleges Wednesday.

Rauner vetoed SB2043 because he said it would "explode the state's budget deficit, exacerbate the state's cash flow crisis, and place further strain on social service providers and recipients who are already suffering from the state's deficit spending."

The bill would have appropriated \$721.5 million to MAP grants and community colleges.

The House voted 69 to 48 to override the veto, but the override needed 71 votes, making them two votes short.

This came after the Illinois State Senate voted to override the veto in a vote of 37 to 17.

Rep. Reggie Phillips was one of the 48 representatives who voted no to overriding the veto.

Travis Akin, a spokesperson for Phillips, said Phillips voted not to override the veto because the \$9 million that would be given to Eastern was not enough, and there was no realistic way to pay for the funding.

"It's not a realistic solution," Akin said. "There's no funding mechanism to fund these bills."

Akin said the bill was just symbolic and did not address the key issue, and it would just be another bill the state could not pay.

He said all the bill did was authorize funding, but there was no way given to free up money to make the payments.

"Where does (the money) come from?" he asked.

Senator Dale Righter voted no to overriding the bill when it was in the Senate as well.

Righter said he vetoed the bill because it did not fund four-year universities, only MAP grants and community colleges.

"There's not one dime in this legislation to pay for utility bills, to pay for teacher staff or support," Righter said. "There's not one dime to pay for student workers."

Righter also voted against SB2043 when it first passed through the Senate.

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Shuttle, Union hours expected to change

By Analicia Haynes
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The Student Senate heard the proposed revisions to the shuttle bus schedule and the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union hours at their meeting Wednesday night.

Lynette Drake, the interim vice president for student affairs, presented the revisions to senators and said it was necessary to reduce the hours.

"We have to be prepared," Drake said. "We tried to be as efficient as possible with the fewest number of people possible to try to make this work."

Drake said there were two positions for bus drivers that became vacant last semester and as a result of the recent layoffs and hiring freeze, student affairs was unable to fill the positions.

However, Drake said because of the five temporary drivers that have offered to help out as much as they could, the shuttle bus system was able to get by with its regular schedule.

Drake said if an appropriation is not passed by the time students go on spring break then the positions cannot be filled and the temporary workers will not be readily available, resulting in the reduction of shuttle bus hours.

"We're hoping to be able to fill those two positions because then we'll be able to keep our shuttle bus schedule the same," Drake said. "We won't know until we find out next week whether or not there's something that comes through in Springfield."

Drake said the university needs to get through the school year and the revised hours will most likely be in effect after spring break.

Drake said it will give them the summer to regroup and figure out if they can start the next year on the regular schedule.

"We're not throwing away any of the old (schedule) cards," Drake said. "We're hanging on to all that stuff because we fully intend for the schedule to be up and running again in the fall."

Drake said Lt. John Hatfill, the interim chief of police, Jennifer Sipes, the special assistant to the vice president for student affairs and two of the full-time bus drivers helped create the revised schedule.

They decided to base the schedule off of the peak times when students were most likely to ride the bus.



JOSH SAXTON | THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

Panther shuttle driver John Hamilton smiles while making a stop at the Martin Luther King Jr. Union Wednesday. The Panther Shuttle hours are going to change after spring break if a state budget is not passed.

Currently, there are two full-time drivers and one part-time driver operating the buses.

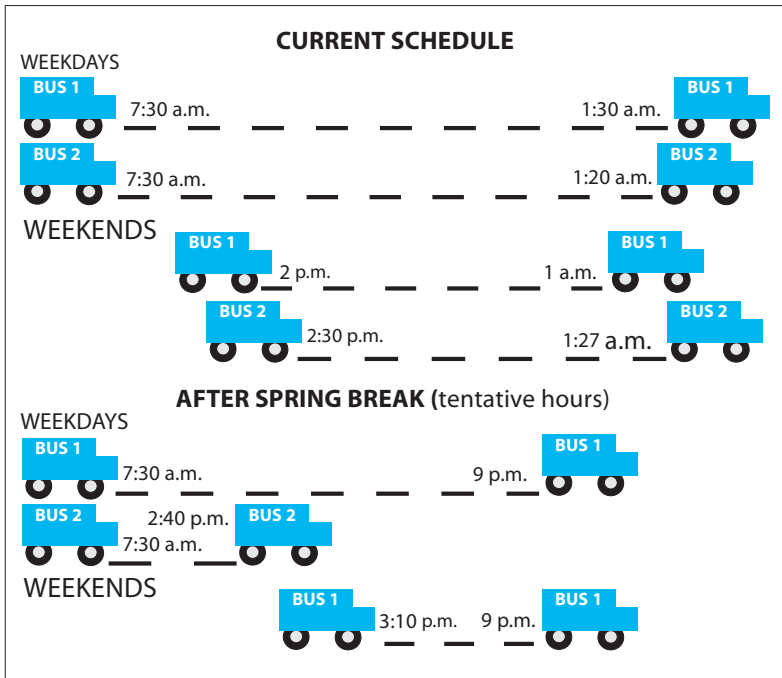
According to the revised schedule, starting at 3 p.m. from Monday through Friday, there will only be one shuttle bus operating as opposed to two and the shift will end at 9 p.m.

"Originally we were looking at about a 30 percent hour reduction which would have ended at about 7 p.m. instead of 9 p.m.," Drake said. "We think that it's important for students to get out of class, relax for a little bit, have a meal, get to the grocery store, have time to do what they need to do and make arrangements for doing that knowing that the bus will end at nine and to be back by then."

Drake said because the part-time driver was willing to put in some extra hours, they were able to extend the hours to 9 p.m.

Drake said the weekend hours will be the same as the revisions made to the weekday schedule since they only have three drivers and said the reduction of hours is not ideal.

"We really don't have much of a choice," Drake said. "We had to take into consideration the required lunch break for drivers and we can't have



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As a result of the budget impasse and hiring freeze, the two Panther Shuttle driver positions affected by layoffs cannot be filled. If a budget is not passed by spring break, then these revised hours will go into effect. On weekends with only one bus in operation, students would have to wait 40 minutes rather than 20 minutes for the next bus.

hours in order to get through the semester.

The Union also took a hit and is now preparing for a reduction in

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1,900 tickets sold for spring concert

By Luis Martinez
News Editor | @DEN_News

Close to 2,000 tickets have been sold for the spring concert, featuring Panic! at the Disco, as of 4 p.m. Wednesday.

Tickets were made available to the public Wednesday.

Before, tickets were only sold to students.

Canaan Daniels, a graduate assis-

stant in the Student Life Office, said 581 tickets were sold to the public Wednesday.

In total, more than 1,900 tickets have been sold for the concert, with 1,351 tickets sold to students.

"Ticket sales go all the way until the concert, where they can be bought at the concert if it is not sold out by then," Daniels said.

Panic! at the Disco will be performing at Eastern on April 15 in Lantz

Arena.

The concert is scheduled for 8 p.m. and will feature a special musical guest, but there is no update as to who the special guest will be.

Panic! at the Disco formed in 2004 and has had five studio albums.

The band released their latest album, "Death of a Bachelor," Jan. 15, 2016.

It was announced on the band's website that both Panic! at the Disco

and Weezer would begin touring this summer with special guest Andrew McMahon in the Wilderness.


Ticket sales and concert dates for the tour can be found on the band's website.

Panic! at the Disco announced on Wednesday that they will be playing at Summer Sonic 2016 in August.

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Nature Center to host butterfly exhibit

By Abbey Whittington
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Between 10 a.m. and 12 p.m. Friday in the Douglas-Hart Nature Center, people can learn how to create their own butterfly gardens by using plants native to Illinois.

To attend, members can pay a fee of \$12 and non-members can pay a fee of \$15.

Jennifer Tariq, the education director for the Douglas-Hart Nature Center, and Marissa Grant, the botanist and land steward director, will teach the program.

Grant said there has recently been a decline in the amount of pollinators such as bees and butterflies.

“The idea behind the program is for people to realize that one plant can help,” Grant said. “It will attract pollinators and attract a larger butterfly population.”

Tariq and Grant will talk about 50 native plants in Illinois, and inform participants of their characteristics and how these plants can fit into different gardens.

Some native plants that can be incorporated in the butterfly gardens are purple coneflowers, milkweeds, royal catchflies, aster, gentian, wild bergamots and blazing stars.

“Most people think that be-

cause we live in Illinois we only have weeds,” Grant said. “The plants we talk about are very colorful and look fun in a landscape.”

The center has had other gardening programs, but this is the first time they will be incorporating butterflies into their presentation.

Grant said during the presentation she will be pushing for people to use milkweeds in their gardens, because the milkweed is a host plant that can help caterpillars develop into a butterfly.

During the presentation people can bring a photo of their gardens to use as a blueprint for designing their own butterfly garden.

Grant and Tariq will talk about plants that can be used in the butterfly garden, and how different kinds of plants can fit based on the location of the plants, the amount of caretaking, the color and their size.

“I think people will be surprised at how many options there are for their garden,” Grant said. “Since the plants are native they can understand Illinois’ crazy weather and support the wildlife here.”

Grant said it is also important that the plants in the garden are planted now and last through the fall when the monarch butterflies migrate.

During the butterflies’ migration,



SUBMITTED PHOTO

Douglas-Hart Nature Center will be teaching patrons how to create their own butterfly garden by using the plants native to Illinois.

“Most people think that because we live in Illinois we only have weeds. The plants we talk about are very colorful and look fun in a landscape”

-Marissa Grant, botanist and land steward director

the center conducts an activity where they tag the monarchs.

After the presentation, those who attended will be given samples of the plant that they liked and have the op-

tion to purchase more.

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CAA to discuss revisions, new courses

By Analicia Haynes
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The Council on Academic Affairs will be adding several items to their agenda at their 2 p.m. meeting Wednesday in Room 4440 of Booth Library.

They are adding the items to the agenda so they can add them to the catalog in time for next semester.

The items call to revise the courses in the catalog for Fall 2016.

The deadline to revise courses or majors is March 11.

The revisions include changes to geography, math, psychology and applied engineering technology courses as well as a proposal to modify the School of Business’ catalog.

The psychology department is requesting the revisions to three courses.

These courses are PSY 2999, Orientation to the Psychology Major; PSY 3310, Biological Psychology and

PSY 3805, Research Methods and Experimental Design.

The revisions for PSY 2999, PSY 3310 and PSY 3805 will let students take all three courses online.

According to the revised proposals for the courses, the psychology department is planning to offer enough online courses so students can complete a undergraduate degree in psychology online.

According to the rationale for PSY 2999 and PSY 3805, “Because the course is required of all psychology majors, revising this course for online delivery will allow students to complete a BA in psychology fully online.”

The rationale said the addition of online instruction for PSY 3310 is another necessary component for the online degree.

Another revision seeks to allow MAT 2250G, Elementary Statistics to be taught as an online course.

According to the course propos-

al, the reason for revising the existing MAT 2250G class is to update the course language as well as allow for online delivery.

According to the rationale for MAT 2250G, the possibility of online delivery provides more scheduling flexibility for undergraduate students.

The AET department also plans to revise nine courses and add two new courses to the fall catalog.

The courses will be offered online and there are several reasons for these revisions, including that they will let Eastern compete with other public universities.

According to the rationale for several of the revised courses, other equivalent institutions such as Illinois State and Western Illinois are offering a similar course in this format.

Other reasons to offer the course online include giving students the opportunity to enroll in a given course in a convenient manner.

AET 4903, OSHA Certification

for General Industry and AET 4913, OSHA Certification for Construction were two new courses that will be added to the catalog.

According to the rationale for AET 4903 and 4913, the courses will provide students with the opportunity earn the OSHA-30 General Industry and Construction certification that will make them more desirable for future employment.

“As federal enforcement and focus on safety increases, certifications for employees, particularly for supervisors and project managers, have become a more desirable quality in applicants,” the rationale read.

The rationale said people who complete this course will have the knowledge to help protect themselves, employees, co-workers and employers and foster a safer workplace.

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CORRECTION

In Wednesday’s edition of *The Daily Eastern News*, in the story “Deadline to renew ACF contracts closer,” the number of ACFs cited in the College of Arts and Humanities was inaccurate.

The News regrets the error.

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‘Stroll like an Alpha’ marches to campus

By **Jocelyn Jones**
Staff Reporter | @Oldyell0wbricks

Different teams will display their perception of Alpha strolls, be judged on their ability to keep up with songs and get a chance to show their creativity at “Stroll like an Alpha” at 7 p.m. Friday in the McAfee Gym.

Members of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, who teach women the basic strolls of their Greek organization, present the show.

Darien Ghostone, vice president of the Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, said teams compete for a trophy and bragging rights, which boil over until next year’s event.

“(Stroll Like an Alpha) is probably one of the biggest events we have during Alpha week. Last year was probably the best we’ve ever had,” Ghostone said.

Attendees will witness traditional, slow and creative strolls perform, Ghostone said.

Fraternities perform traditional strolls at parties and when travelling. Slow strolls are other traditional strolls where the fraternity can add their own unique flair.

Creative strolls are thought of on the spot.

“That’s probably the hardest thing to do, is the creative stroll for the competition,” Ghostone said.

Ghostone attended his first “Stroll Like an Alpha” his freshman year and did not know anything about fraternities.

He said after attending his second, he fell in love with Alpha strolling.

“It’s one of the reasons I wanted to become an Alpha myself. It’s always a grand time and brings a lot

of people to our campus,” Ghostone said.

This show helps those who participate gain confidence Ghostone said.

Phillip Love, president of Alpha Phi Alpha, said strolls are competitive, display the unification within organizations and have roots back to African dances.

“We are all competitive people, so we display it. You can see the work that we put into each and every stroll that the girls do,” Love said. “I would definitely say it has enhanced itself each year.”

“Stroll Like an Alpha” is also an opportunity to fundraise for canned food drives.

Last year, the fraternity gave the donated canned foods they received to the Bookstore in the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union, which was then donated to the Wesley Food Pantry.

This year’s event will have a \$3 donation or \$2 worth of canned goods for admission.

Ghostone said performers have to put energy out on the floor to get the crowd involved.

“They would have never thought that they could (stroll) in front of people before the two months of practice,” Ghostone said.

Brion McBeth, a senior communication studies major, was the host of the 2015 “Stroll Like an Alpha” and was able to get the crowd to interact with the show.

“The way he hosted the show got the crowd really involved, and that’s one of the reasons why it became one of the best shows we’ve ever had here at Eastern,” Ghostone said. “The way he carried himself and how he could vibe with the crowd; that’s how you



FILE PHOTO | THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS
Cameron Douglas, an Eastern alumnus, leads the men of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity in the NPHC Stroll Off in March 5, 2015, at the McAfee Gym. Alpha Phi Alpha is hosting “Stroll like an Alpha” at 7 p.m. Friday at McAfee Gym.

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-Darien Ghostone, vice president of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity

really make a show happen.”

Ghostone predicts that this year’s “Stroll Like an Alpha” will have a good turnout.

“Like last year, it’s going to be a grand time. I’ll use the word ‘turnt’ as a key word to definitely give you a vision of what it will be like,” Ghostone said.

Ghostone said people from all

over come to see “Stroll Like an Alpha” because not every school in Illinois does it.

Students from Northern Illinois University, Illinois State University and the University of Madison-Wisconsin are expected to attend along with Eastern students and alumni.

“The atmosphere about it is what makes it that much more fun,”

Ghostone said. “It’s a big social event for Eastern’s campus, so it brings a lot of people out from all different territories, races and ethnicities on campus too. It’s definitely a good time.”

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WHAM to present on women’s gender in politics

Editor’s Note: The title of the event in this article contains profanity.

By **T’Nerra Butler**
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Women’s History Awareness Month will kick off with a speech from a keynote speaker who will also be talking to women studies’ classes throughout the day.

The “Hillary Clinton, From ‘Bitch’ to ‘Badass’ and Beyond: Women, Feminism, and Pop Politics,” keynote speech is at 5 p.m. Thursday in the Lumpkin Hall Auditorium.

Being that this is the 33rd annual Women’s History Month and it falls under an election year, the theme is

gender and politics; Melinda Mueller, a political science professor, said the women’s studies committee wanted to focus in on that.

The keynote speaker will be Karin Vasby Anderson, a communication studies professor at Colorado University.

Mueller said in politics, women get scrutinized for what they say or wear.

She said people have to be aware of the challenges women face from their male counterparts.

T.M. Linda Scholz, a communication studies professor, said it is likely that there will be a female candidate in this year’s election and it is important to look at the role that women play in politics.

“There are many women who are running for other offices beside president, so no matter what happens with Hillary there are probably thousands running on a state or local level,” Scholz said.

Upon coming up with the theme, Scholz said she knew Anderson would be the perfect fit as the keynote speaker.

She said Anderson has written extensive articles about the topic.

Jeannie Ludlow, the coordinator of women’s studies, said Anderson has strong expertise in the ways women are seen, described and critiqued on the campaign trail.

Ludlow said many feel disempowered by politics and Anderson’s talk can help explain why people

have come to feel that way.

“I would love it if this event could bring us all increased awareness of the forces behind political rhetoric and how political rhetoric tries to shape our thinking,” Ludlow said.

Mueller said much like other departments across campus, the women’s studies committee encountered funding issues because of the budget impasse.

Scholz said those restrictions did not stop this year’s events, even though it was hard.

“We have a strong schedule despite the budget constraints,” Scholz said. “We had a lot of faculty, student workers and staff that met in September that started to plan this.”

In the morning, Anderson will be speaking to intro to women’s studies and feminist theory classes.

Mueller said she hopes to increase awareness about the role of women in politics and how important that is in 2016.

Ludlow said heritage months give people a chance to put oppressed persons’ experiences at the center of attention.

“To me, it means setting aside a bit of space and time to talk about events and people in history who often don’t get quite as much attention as they deserve,” Ludlow said.

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Tyler McCluskey

Vote Donald Trump in this year’s primary

How do you make America great again? You vote for Donald J. Trump of course!

The soon-to-be Republican nominee won seven states on Super Tuesday. Gaining more delegates, Trump is the sure favorite to win. To win you need 1,237 delegates, and Trump currently sits at 336. This is ahead of Ted Cruz at 234 and Marco Rubio at 113. Trump already has made himself the face of the Republican Party.

People say that he is a joke, and he is doing this for publicity. Well America, he’s actually doing something, and he actually might just be the next President of the United States.

Not so long ago, America voted into office an actor. His name? Ronald Reagan. I know Trump could be considered a reality star, but c’mon, who doesn’t love saying “You’re Fired?”

The Apprentice was a success for 14 seasons, and he gave something people could talk about and still continues to draw in media attention.

Trump is a billionaire. His net-worth, according to Forbes, is estimated around \$4 billion.

He’s the wealthiest of all the candidates. Who wouldn’t want a person who has built an empire from the ground up to run our country?

In these tough economic times, he could essentially change America to being what it once was- an economic powerhouse.

Trump has been leading the polls for months and has gained more of a following, especially from celebrities. The likes of congressmen and other political figures like Sarah Palin and New Jersey’s current Gov. Chris Christie, to Kid Rock, Mike Tyson, and NASCAR CEO Brian France, and countless of other celebrities.

Trump’s media attention brings people to him and that brings more voters to the polls, which in turn, would make the party stronger than it is now.

America wants- no, needs- a person like Trump: fierce, strong, and versatile in business and in politics. Already, one-third of Republicans have voted for Trump. So why stop there?

The only way Trump could be stopped by the GOP is if the candidate field drops down to two or three candidates, which would be Trump, Rubio and Cruz. But that won’t happen, at least for a little while longer.

Listen, I’m not the biggest fan of some of his ideas, but I’m just a fan of how he holds true to what he believes in.

He isn’t afraid to make people angry, he’s not afraid to say what he wants, he is who he is, and America needs to adopt this attitude.

All I’m saying is if you want a real leader with a track record to prove it, then you can bet that Donald Trump is the way to go. He will “Make America Great Again.”

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Staff Editorial

Cleaning up after ourselves is easy

When students, faculty and staff return after spring break, the newest round of layoffs will have taken place and the effects may be substantial.

In an article titled “BSWs undergo trial system to cope with layoffs” in Tuesday’s edition of *The Daily Eastern News*, Mark Hudson, the director of housing and dining, said the number of building service workers on campus after the layoffs will be roughly 75, down from the 104 at the beginning of the year.

The Eastern community will be affected in many different ways.

Hudson said bathroom, hallway, entranceway and classroom cleanliness are the priorities, and that means tending to them as often as possible.

Hudson also said there were no dining or residence hall cuts, because those positions are paid for with room and board fees.

But still, students may find the bathroom trashcans overflowing or the soap dispensers and paper towels running low in the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union, and professors may find their classroom floors littered with trash left behind by students.

During the current trial period, Hudson said there will be five teams of three BSWs who are assigned to a particular set of buildings.

This is a very small number of workers who already do so much for our campus.

We should all take the precautions to keep our school as clean as possible. BSWs aren’t always going to be around to pick up after us.

Don’t pile paper towels and to-go containers in the bathroom trashcan that is already overflowing and may not be changed for another day.

Take your empty water bottle with you when you leave class and toss it in the recycling bin outside the classroom door.

Clean up after yourself when you eat in the Food Court and you make a mess or spill a drink.

Throw away your candy wrappers after a basketball game in Lantz Arena.

We are all adults, and it is not hard to

pick up after ourselves.

The trial system has included recently moving the trashcans from academic building classrooms into the hallways to make the cleanup efforts quicker and more effective.

While this may be a small inconvenience to us, think about how it will help keep the environment cleaner in the long run.

In a column titled “Students can help relieve budget stress,” in Tuesday’s edition of *The News*, Shelby Niehaus said that students should be more responsible for their own messes, and that will help take some of the stress off of the overworked BSWs.

These BSWs are overworked. They are working for hours every day to keep this campus clean, and now, nearly 30 of them are being laid off next week.

We as a campus community should do everything we can to help make their jobs easier.

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

Stay healthy during the cold, flu season

With the cold and flu season still in full swing, I thought I would take it upon myself to make it through the season cold -free to enjoy some beautiful spring break weather completely healthy.

Little did I know, however, that there are some every day habits you can acquire that will ensure that you make it out of the season without sniffing.

I found a website called health.com, where they gave 20 ways to prevent a cold. Here are just a few that I found that were the most interesting and easy to adapt to.

Drinking alcohol downgrades sleep quality and interferes with deep sleep, called REM sleep that is the most restorative part of sleep. Therefore, students who engage in more partying and less sleeping and rest on the weekends are more likely to get a cold because they aren’t getting the quality sleep that they need, and it’s wearing their bodies down.

By ditching the alcohol and getting more sleep, drinking more tea with lemon and honey, for example, can prevent a cold because the steam aids in breathing while the lemon thins mucus and the honey works as an antibacterial to fight off bad germs.

Another way to ward off a cold can be in your everyday diet. Research shows that many people’s diets are too low in protein, which can deplete the immune system. Be sure to eat protein-rich foods throughout the day to prevent this from happening. Foods such as fish, eggs,



Maria Baldwin

yogurt and meat are all protein powerhouses.

Also, try to incorporate vitamin C into your diet if at all possible. I always chug Emergen-C whenever I start to feel the symptoms coming on, and it usually does the trick! Halls cough drops even make vitamin C levels drop when you can take them whenever you feel the symptoms coming on. Either way, try to go crazy on the orange juice. Vitamin C does wonders!

There are even easier ways than those to prevent a cold, and even the way you breathe can make all the difference!

Studies show that if you focus on breathing out when walking past someone coughing or sneezing and wait 10 steps away from them before you breathe in, you will be less likely to take in the germs from them. Preventing a cold

is as easy as breathing differently!

The cold months may prohibit your gym usage, but cold season is especially the time to want to be in the gym.

Running can either make you feel stronger or weaker, but sweating out the day’s toxins can prevent the germs from causing you to have a cold. Also, the happy feeling you get from working out can make you feel better in the meantime.

However, be sure to wash off equipment in the gym before you use it! Imagine all the sweat and bacteria that live on them, especially from a person who sweat out their cold-causing bacteria. Disinfect, Disinfect, Disinfect.

And while we are on that subject, I advise students to carry sanitation spray or wipes with them to class and wipe down their desks before they touch them.

The other day I was in class and I read something someone had written on the desk, and it made me cringe.

It said, “here’s proof that these desks never get washed, wash your hands people!” The little note was dated in September of last year.

I hope these little tips helped you as much as they helped me! With midterms this week and spring break around the corner, it’s essential to be healthy to study efficiently, and to relax and have fun without worrying about a cold!

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Students to ‘plunge’ for Special Olympics

By Nicholas Teresky
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Groups of Eastern students will jump into Lake Sara for the annual Polar Plunge Saturday in Effingham.

The Polar Plunge will benefit Area 9 of the Illinois Special Olympics and the athletes that participate in the program.

There is a competition between various groups to raise the most money for the Special Olympics prior to the event.

Eastern’s fundraising group has 47 members and has raised \$6,465 for this year’s event.

So far, the groups taking part in the Polar Plunge have raised \$28,273.92 in total from 380 participants.

A common tradition among Polar Plunge participants is to wear a humorous costume to the event, with many teams wearing matching outfits.

Eastern’s team will be wearing customized T-shirts with their group’s logo and the theme for the event, which will be “Swan Lake” this year. To go along with the “Swan Lake” theme, members of the team will also be wearing pink

tutus.

Jessica Nolen, the president of Sigma Rho Epsilon, an honorary fraternity for special education majors at Eastern, has participated in the Polar Plunge for all four years that she has been a student at Eastern.

She said she is really looking forward to this year’s event.

“It’s a fun event. (It’s) something different that I never thought I would do before,” she said.

Nolen said Eastern’s Polar Plunge team is a mix of members from SRE, Best Buddies and the Student Council for Exceptional Children.

The department of special education’s fundraising group already has some plans in place for when they enter the waters of Lake Sara.

One thing the team is hoping for is at least one of the Golden Plungers, which are given out for various team achievements.

There are also perks for raising money individually, such as a sweatshirt earned after receiving \$100 worth of donations and a Bluetooth speaker after an individual raises \$500, among other prizes.



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Members of the Alpha Sigma Alpha sorority enter the icy water as their sisters cheer from the shore during the Law Enforcement Torch Run Polar Plunge on Feb. 28 2015, at Lake Sara in Effingham. Special Olympics is one of the organizations that the sorority gives to nationally.

An after-party for participants will be held at the Knights of Columbus

Hall in Effingham, with food provided by Catering By Martin’s.

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Righter said he took no joy in voting the way he did, because he also represents the community colleges which would have received funding, but the universities and colleges needed to be funded together.

“You can’t leave one portion out,” Righter said.

Righter said the other issue he

had with the bill was that universities would lose the community college in the coalition to get higher education funding, because they would have already gotten their money.

He said the bill would leave 200,000 college students and employees out in the cold.

Democrats argued that the bill

would help students who receive grants be able to attend school and give universities who are floating the grant to students the money they need.

Senate President John Cullerton said the Governor let the students who were promised financial aid by his administration down when he vetoed SB2043.

All of the senators who voted to override the veto of SB2043 are Democrats, and all the ones who voted not to are Republicans.

There was one Democrat in the House who voted against overriding the bill.

Steve Brown, spokesperson for House Speaker Michael Madigan, said after listening to the al-

ibi hour Wednesday, the Illinois House will be asked to consider an alternative proposal to fund higher education.

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According to the revision sheets given to senators, from Monday through Thursday the building hours will remain the same but the hours for Friday, Saturday, and Sunday will change.

The union will close at 11 p.m. on Friday instead of 1 a.m. and at 10 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday instead of 1 a.m. on Saturday and 11 p.m. on Sunday.

From Monday through Thursday,

the bookstore will close at 5 p.m. instead of 7 p.m. and will be closed on Saturday.

The Panther Print and Copy center will now be open from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Thursday and

8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Friday and the ticket office will be open from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday through Friday.

The bowling lanes will be open from 9 a.m. to 10 p.m. Monday through Thursday, 4 p.m. to 11 p.m.

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Sam Przygoda, a junior applied engineering and technology major, and Seth Houston, an undecided freshman, play “Mario Kart” on Nintendo 64 in the Grand Ballroom of the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union on Wednesday during the University Board’s “You Got Game?” video game night.

The New York Times Crossword

- ACROSS**

1 Stop daydreaming

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15 Starting now

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17 Lumberjack contests

18 Takes back

20 Response to “How’d you get the answer so fast?”

22 Boil

23 Dessert wine

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26 Both, for openers

29 Emulate Snidely Whiplash

31 Mineral suffix

32 Kind of separation

33 Twofold
- 35 Raises

36 Ostrichlike bird

39 Party staple suggested by connecting this puzzle’s special squares

41 Mother of Eos and Selene

42 Available, as for work

44 Actress Laura of “ER”

46 “What ____ surprise!”

47 Good name, informally

48 Pillowcases

52 High-end Swiss watch

53 Candidate of 1992 and 1996

55 Toolbar image

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49 Want in the worst way

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Indoor track, field season comes to thrilling close

By **Mark Shanahan**
Staff Reporter | @DEN_Sports

The Eastern men’s track and field team took first place at the Ohio Valley Conference Indoor Track and Field championships on Saturday, while the women took second to finish off the indoor season.

The Eastern men edged out Southeast Missouri by six points to win the conference as the women were runner up to Tennessee State, who won the women’s division with 132 points.

Tom Akers, track and field head coach at Eastern, won the Men’s Coach of the Year honor in the OVC. Akers was proud of the way the men competed at the conference championship meet.

“Considering some of the injuries to some of our top kids and some missing pieces of the puzzle that weren’t there and not being expected to win makes that victory that much sweeter,” he said.

Junior Riley Kittridge won first place honors in the men’s shot put. He was one of the men that impressed Akers.

“Kittredge throwing three feet farther than his personal record in the shot put, that’s a big chunk,” he said. “Not only did he just have one throw, but he had a couple throws so I thought his performance in the shot put was key.”

Akers also recognized junior John Piper for his performance in the 55-meter dash at the OVC championships.

“Piper in the hurdles, he was ranked third coming into the conference championships and he comes out as the champion,” he said.



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Junior cross country runner Riley McInerney competes during the John Craft Invite on January 23, 2016.

“There were times when one group would perform well and another group may not earlier on in the season when we started to go to Notre Dame and Grand Valley.”

-Tom Akers, track and field coach at Eastern

Akers said the team looked good all around last weekend compared to a few of the meets earlier this year.

“There were times when one group would perform well and another group may not earlier on in the season when we started to go to Notre Dame and Grand Valley,” Akers said. “We would have bits and pieces here and there, but all in all talk about performing across

the board in the throws, people coming through in the jumps, sprints, middle distance and the distance and hurdles it was really a team effort.”

Junior Paxson Menard received praise from Akers from beating top competition in the men’s 5000-meter run at the OVC Championships.

“Menard in the 5,000 meters beating the Kenyans from ECU and the favorite from Southeast Missouri,” he said.

The men’s team enjoyed success throughout the season earning second place in the EIU Early Bird, Illini Classic and the EIU Friday Night Special. They won first place in the EIU John Craft invite early in the season. Those were the only meets that featured team results.

The women started the season finishing in third at the EIU Early Bird and the Illini Classic. They responded in the next two scored meets with first-place finishes. The women even finished the first night of the OVC Championships in first place before losing the lead in the second day.

Three women won First Team All-OVC honorees from their performances in the championships. Junior Bryn Buckwalter earned the honor in the shot put, while senior teammate Janie Howse took first in the weight throw. Sophomore Haleigh Knapp earned her honoree in the high jump.

The outdoor season will not begin until March 25, when the teams will head to SIU Carbondale.

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Tennis team’s winning record contains 5 sweeps

By **Kaitlin Cordes**
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The women’s tennis team has swept more teams so far this year than in each of the past two seasons.

The Panthers sit at a 5-4 record with each win a domination of all possible points. Three of the sweeps are over in-state rivals including Western Illinois, Saint Francis and Chicago State. Matches in Indiana round out the wins; the team took victories at Evansville and Butler.

In the 2014-2015 season, the tennis squad had four total sweeps, one of those being over Western. The previous season brought the Panthers only two sweeps: 9-0 over Saint Francis and 7-0 over Tennessee State.

Three of last season’s blanking scores were over Ohio Valley Conference teams. Eastern brought down Tennessee State (5-0), Southeast Missouri (7-0), and Belmont (4-0).

The consecutive wins over Tennessee State could be indicative of the Panthers’ performance against the OVC rival on April 2.

The Tigers are currently 4-2 with two 7-0 sweeps of their own. However, Tennessee State is 2-2 on the road, so Eastern could have a home court advantage.

No strangers to win streaks

Freshman Srishti Slaria, junior Kamile Stadalninkaite and sophomore Grace Summers have posted the highest streaks this season so far.

Slaria and Stadalninkaite have been doubles partners for the entire season. The duo has seen a five-match winning streak with just one loss to their record.

Slaria was recently named the OVC Player for the Week of March 1, as she was the only Panther to retain a win in both doubles and singles play over the past weekend.

The duo easily toppled their Evansville opponents Doreen Crasta and Leah Helpingstine on Saturday, winning 6-1. Their match against Indiana University’s Danielle Wolf and Sarah Baron proved to be a harder battle, as Slaria and Stadalninkaite edged their counterparts 7-6, 7-5.

On the singles side, Summers has gone 7-1 overall. The sophomore’s

lone loss was handed to her early in the season by University of Illinois’ Jerricka Boone.

In the fall season, Summers posted a 9-2 singles record. She also won three consecutive matches to qualify for the main draw of the Intercollegiate Tennis Association Midwest Regional, which was a first for Eastern women’s tennis.

Panthers to take on Southeast Missouri

The Panthers’ first OVC matchup will be a home match against Southeast Missouri.

The Redhawks are currently 1-4, posting a 6-1 win over Chicago State. Eastern will be Southeast Missouri’s first OVC match of the season as well.

Southeast Missouri’s most recent match resulted in a 5-2 loss from Lipscomb University on Feb. 28.

The Redhawk’s only wins came in singles play as Mariya Kostiuik defeated Lipscomb’s Hannah Gamage, 7-5, 2-6, 6-4, and Isabella Krupa trumped Katrina Kandyba 6-4, 3-6, 7-6.

In singles, Southeast Missouri is 32-48 overall.

The team is 13-24 in doubles.

The Panthers will face the Redhawks on March 18 following Eastern’s matchup with Arkansas State on March 12 in Jonesboro, Ark. at 10 a.m.

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Basketball team eliminated from OVC tournament

By **Maher Kawash**
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NASHVILLE— The Eastern men's basketball team tipped-off its fourth consecutive Ohio Valley Conference tournament Wednesday night, and was sent home after just one game.

The Panthers took on Murray State in the first round, and were eliminated from the tournament with a 78-62 loss.

"It was a good year regardless of what anyone is going to say," Eastern coach Jay Spoonhour said. "We have all these guys, with the exception of a couple, coming back next year."

Eastern struggled for most of the night, shooting 2-10 from the field to start the game, and allowing Murray State to jump out to a quick lead.

The Panthers struggled on both sides of the ball, but especially on offense.

Eastern's top scorers could not get much going either, as senior Trae Anderson and junior Demetrius McReynolds did not have a shot attempt in the first half.

"I thought they guarded us really well," Spoonhour said. "They defensively took us out of a lot of stuff that we have been able to do all year."

Junior A.J. Riley was the only player to score in double-digits to start the game, as he went into the half with 11 points.

The Panthers shot just 38 percent from the field in the first, and came out in the second half with more of the same.

Eastern began the second half shooting 1-8 from the field, and finished the game shooting 40 percent.

Riley was not able to capitalize on his strong first half, as the Murray State defense was just too much for the Panthers.

"We were out there trying to survive, but they just played really good defensively," Spoonhour said.

While there were small glimpses of hope that Eastern could turn things around, the obstacles only grew as the game went on.

The Panthers were plagued by three technical fouls in the game, with all of them seemingly coming at the worst time.

With the fouls adding up, and the

Murray State offense pouring it on, Eastern fell apart.

The Panthers allowed four players from Murray State to finish with double-digit points, as Wayne Langston led the way with 22.

"They shot it well early, and we couldn't get any stops," Spoonhour said. "Langston is really good at posting up, and they were able to get it to him."

While Eastern struggled to get defensive stops, the team did not get much on the offensive side either.

McReynolds rebounded in the second half, finishing with 14 points, but Anderson could not get anything to fall.

In his final game for the Panthers, Anderson finished the game with just six points.

Anderson shot 2-10 from the field while grabbing six rebounds.

With Eastern's leading scorer struggling, other players had to step up although it wasn't enough.

Sophomore Cornell Johnston finished with 12 points, and freshman Patrick Muldoon scored 10 points in the game off the bench.

Although the loss stings for the Panthers, there is still plenty of hope for next season.

Spoonhour said he is optimistic in what this team can do in the next few seasons.

With optimism high for the future, Spoonhour has one thing in mind for the Panthers.

Spoonhour said he wants his team to be able to earn the double-bye in the future, which can be done by earning one of the top two seeds in the tournament.

"We have things we have to get better at, but I don't think we are far from being able to play on Friday," Spoonhour said.

The top two seeds do not have to play in the first two days of the tournament, and automatically advance to the semi-final round that is played Friday.

Optimism will continue to rise for the program, as the Panthers are bringing back 11 players next season.

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Senior wing Trae Anderson scored 6 points in the Panthers' 78-62 loss to Murray State on Wednesday in Nashville.

Panthers anticipate bright future even after loss

By **Sean Hastings**
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NASHVILLE— The 2015-2016 season is over for the Panthers, but the future is bright for the Eastern men's basketball organization.

Eastern will graduate four seniors: wing Trae Anderson, guard Luke Norman, forward Joe Kuligowski and forward Luke Piotrowski. Anderson was the team's lead-

ing scorer.

Anderson, however, did struggle in the final game Wednesday night against Murray State, scoring just six points.

The Panthers will return 11 players next season, including guard Cornell Johnston. Johnston has been the team's point guard since he came in last season.

Junior Demetrius McReynolds will also come back for the Pan-

thers. Coach Jay Spoonhour said they brought McReynolds into the Panthers' organization for his scoring ability, but turned out to be one of the team's best defenders. McReynolds hit 49 3-pointers this season and scored 326 points.

The Panthers will also return six freshmen from this season: Casey Teson, Marshawn Blackmon, Aleksa Novakovic, Patrick Muldoon, Lucas Jones and Aboubacar Diallo.

Teson was the team's strongest 3-point shooter, hitting 64 shots from beyond the arc.

Spoonhour said it took the team a little while to figure out how to play with each other at the beginning of the season because there were nine new players on the roster.

Eastern will now look forward to next season with a chance for another OVC title, and "make it to

Friday without playing Wednesday or Thursday," Spoonhour said.

Eastern finished the season with a 9-8 record in OVC play. In the tough league that the Panthers play in, nine wins is a good season. Six other teams besides Eastern finished with more than nine wins.

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Upset: No. 8 Austin Peay knocks out Tennessee Tech

By **Sean Hastings**
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NASHVILLE- The Austin Peay men's basketball team barely got into the Ohio Valley Conference tournament as the No. 8 seed, but that did not matter come Wednesday night when the final buzzer sounded, ending No. 5 seed's Tennessee Tech's season.

That night, the Governors defeated the Golden Eagles, 92-72, in the Nashville Municipal Auditorium in

the first round of the tournament.

Austin Peay will go on to play Tennessee State in the second round of the OVC tournament. Tennessee State received a first-round bye and is playing as the No. 4 seed.

Chris Horton was the story of the game for the Governors as he dominated Tennessee Tech's defense scoring 37 points. Horton had 16 rebounds halfway through the second half. He finished the game with an astounding 21 rebounds.

Not only was Horton just making

shots, but he also threw down multiple dunks and alley-oops.

He missed just three shots the entire game from the field. He was 11-18 from the free throw line.

The next highest scorer for the Governors was Chris Porter-Bunt with 12 points. Porter-Bunt was the leading assist man for Austin Peay.

The Governors led by just 12 points at the end of the first half, but jumped out to a 20-point lead in the first few minutes of the second half. Austin Peay continued to dominate

the Golden Eagles, who never came close to getting back into the game.

Tennessee Tech got the game within 10 points in the first 1:15 of the second half, but a big dunk by Horton sent the Governors on a scoring frenzy expanding the lead to 15 points 2:08 into the second half and the lead grew from there.

Austin Peay led by as much as 26 points in the game. At that point, the Golden Eagles started to foul the Governors sending them to the free throw line each possession.

Tennessee Tech finished the season 11-6, and ended it in what could be called upsetting fashion. The Golden Eagles were a five-point favorite coming into the game.

Torrance Rowe was the leading scorer for the Golden Eagles scoring 18 points.

Austin Peay will take on Tennessee State at 6 p.m. Thursday night.

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