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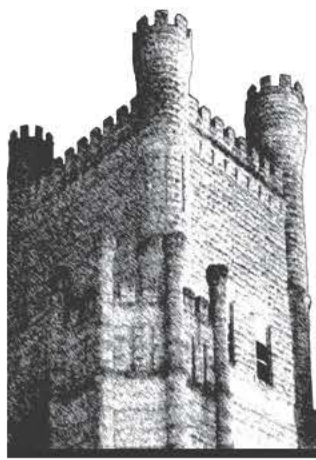
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## Two old, two new

### Sims, Rennels welcome two new members

BY ERIN MILLER  
CITY REPORTER

Two veteran Charleston City Council members, Lorelei Sims and Larry Rennels, will welcome two new members, Jim Dunn and Jeff Lahr, to the city council.

Sims received the majority of votes with 1,913 and will serve a four-year term along with Dunn, who received 1,578 votes.

Rennels will only serve a two-year term, receiving 1,535 votes.

"I hoped to be reelected, but I figured whatever was going to happen will happen," Rennels said.

Lahr received 1,551 votes and will also serve a two-year term. This is Lahr's first time serving on city council.

"I feel very honored that the residents

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♦ Charleston consolidated election results

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Charleston Mayor Dan Gougill looks over the election results with city council member Larry Rennels Tuesday evening at the Coles County Courthouse. Rennels was elected for a two-year seat on the council.

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## Library addition voted into town

### Referendum passes as city shows support for addition

BY HILLARY SETTLE  
CITY EDITOR

In a vote of 2,224-837 the referendum to expand and renovate the Charleston Carnegie Public Library passed Tuesday night.

While local candidates waited in anticipation at the Coles County Courthouse for election results, supporters of the referendum waited at the library for the referendum decision, something they had been planning since the beginning of their campaign, said Sheryl Snyder, executive director of the library.

Their location didn't stop them from showing excitement, however, as supporters cheered and hugged when the final vote tallies were revealed.

"We were confident, but the margin did surprise us," Snyder said. "We're thankful. A lot of people worked long and hard for this."

The bond approved by voters will



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Judy Looby, the children's librarian at the Charleston Carnegie Public Library, calls a friend to spread the news about the library referendum, which passed with a 2224-837 vote Tuesday evening.

allow the library to raise up to \$7 million through property taxes, but Snyder said not all would be collected because the library board has raised money for the project and will continue to do so.

Some land to accommodate the expansion has already been pur-

chased from money raised thus far, Snyder said.

The expansion, which will triple the size of the current library, has been in the works for over five years, said Eric Huddleston, president of the Library Board, noting the difficulties of remaining positive

through process.

"It makes me think of a lot of times we were in the dumps wondering if we'd ever get here," he said. "It's exciting to know so many people support this project; it's been a long time coming."

Snyder said she hoped construction would start in the fall but said there was a lot of work that needed to be done first, including drawing up blueprints and putting together bid packages.

The new library, however, will be well worth the time, money and effort citizens are willing to put into it, Huddleston said.

"This is actually future generations we're accommodating," he said. "Our new facility will last for several generations; it's almost hard to put (my joy) into words."

And many people, like Huddleston, see the library expansion as a place to initiate more development in Charleston.

"Typically, when you have companies coming to town, the two things they look at are educational opportunities and the library," he said. "Charleston has suffered; we see this as a starting point (for development). It's a vision, what's going to happen (with the library)."

## Hit Mix rocks with new format

### Eastern's radio station receives positive feedback

HOLLY MOHR  
STAFF WRITER

In the beginning of this semester, Hit Mix 88.9 made some changes to its format and has received positive feedback.

"Requests are more than ever since we've switched formats," said Jeff Owens, station manager.

The station does not subscribe to a ratings system, so there is no way to measure its demographics in numbers, but Owens said the frequent requests lead him to believe more people are listening than ever before.

**"I listen to it every morning. Now that they play the music I like, I can support the station a lot better."**

"I like the station's change," said Anthony Corelis, a junior history major. "I actually listen to it now."

JENNIFER MARQUIS,  
A JUNIOR HISTORY MAJOR

Despite a few negative comments in the beginning, most of Hit Mix's feedback has been positive.

"A few people were upset about the format change and complained at the beginning," Owens said. "But we haven't had complaints since."

Jennifer Marquis, a junior history major, said she believes listening to the station is a way to support Eastern.

"I listen to it every morning," she said. "Now that they play the music I like, I can support the station a lot better."

The staff also approved of the change.

"The staff here gets a more valued education with the new format," Owens said.

Robyn Drozd, a junior communications major and Hit Mix disc jockey, said she has received a lot of positive responses from the community and students.

Drozd runs "Illinois" at 10 p.m. to midnight each Sunday. "Illinois" is the station's commitment to local bands in the state. Chicago bands reign during the two-hour program, with Champaign bands coming in second.

"We want more bands from central Illinois," Drozd said.

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WEDNESDAY, APRIL 6, 2005

### CAMPUS BRIEFS

**12 to 1 p.m.** The Third Annual Eastern Minority Student Panel in the Buzzard Hall Faculty Development Center. The panel provides an opportunity for faculty and student insight and discussion for all members of the college.

**1 to 2 p.m.** Turnitin Training in CATS Training Lab, McAfee Gym, Room 1214. For participants who want assistance adding their courses and assignments using the Turnitin software tool. Topics covered include: a quick overview of Turnitin, how to add courses, how to add assignments and how to submit files.

**2 to 6 p.m.** showing of film documentary "The Greatest" in the Afro-American Culture Center. The film and questions and answers lecture will be one hour, and if audience would like to see it in its entirety, they may stay afterwards. People who are interested in fields of trade, history and business partnerships are especially welcomed.

**3 p.m.** Who Moved My Cheese? The Neotradition Student in American Higher Education in Booth Library, Room 3202. Speaker: William C. Hine, Dean of the School of Continuing Education. Today the adult nontraditional student is the new majority in American higher education. This dramatic growth from 8 million students in 1970 to more than 15 million today demonstrates the most rapid growing cohort of students. This presentation will discuss the demographics of this change, look at reasons for this growth and examine how higher education must respond to this student population.

**7 to 8:30 p.m.** Eastern Chapter National Speech-Language-Hearing Association Campaign is sponsoring a purse and jewelry party in the Communication Disorders and Sciences classroom of Human Services Center, second floor. Percentage of proceeds will be donated to the NSSLHA Loves Campaign.

**7 p.m.** Student Senate meets in the Arcola-Tuscola Room of the Martin Luther King Jr. Union.

Adam Due, chief of University Police, will answer questions submitted to the Student Senate by students. The senate will also vote on a pamphlet to help students who live off campus. Approximately 1,500 copies will be distributed next semester.

### AROUND ILLINOIS CAMPUSES

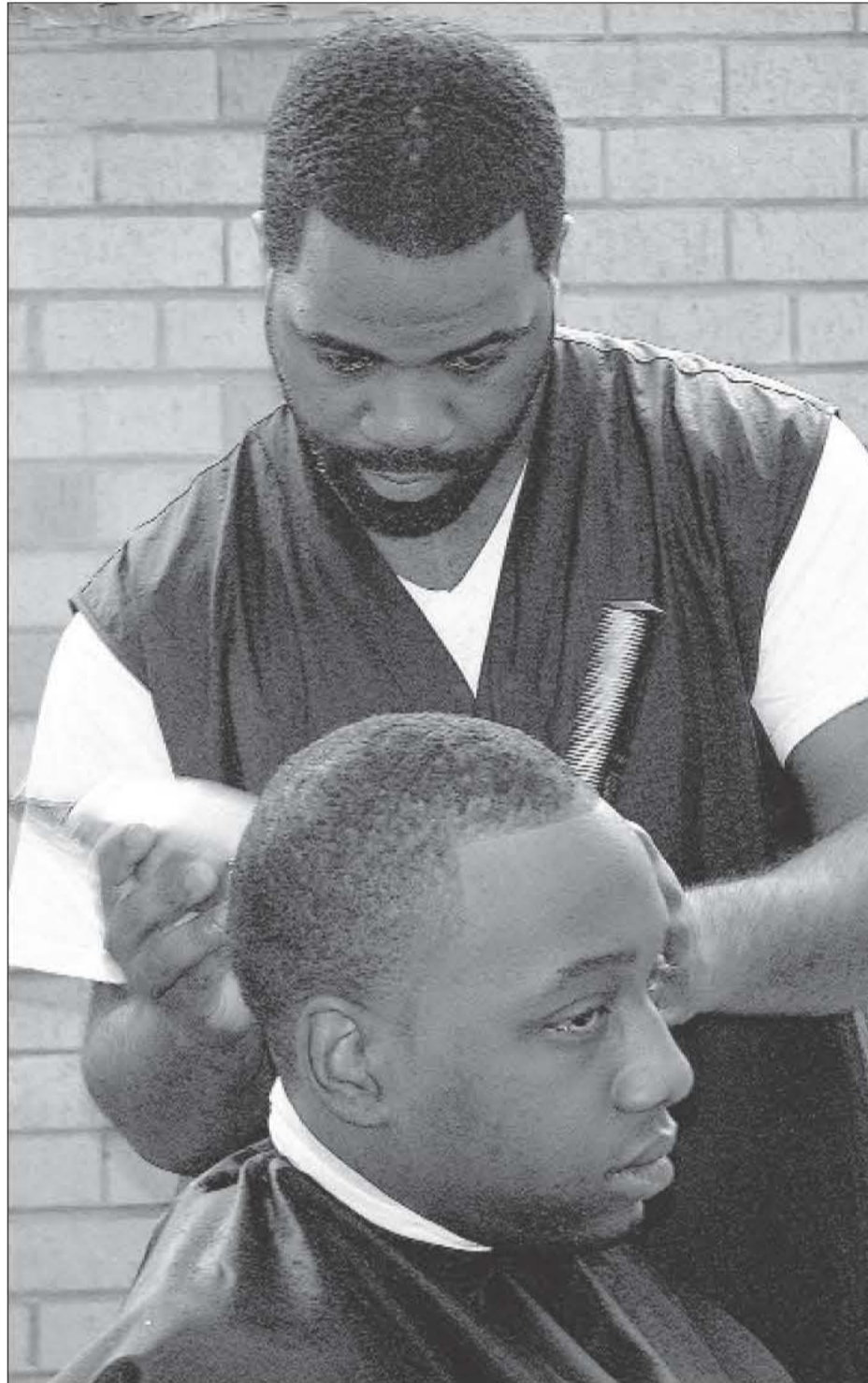


## UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS Students get fake IDs

CHAMPAIGN — It is no secret that many underage students use fake ID cards. If the fake is good enough, they can get underage students past the campus bars' bouncers and into their favorite nighttime hot spots. With the bars' high level of popularity on campus, University of Illinois students are finding ways to obtain fake IDs and, apparently, they are not that hard to come by.

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### CLIP CLIP HERE, CLIP CLIP THERE...



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Stylist James Whitaker trims Bradley Williams', a junior business major, hair at the opening of the Union Salon Tuesday afternoon in the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union. Whitaker says that he "looks forward to working with the community of Charleston."

### ONLINE POLL

What do you think of the name change from Stix to Panther Paw Bar & Grill?

- A) A name change isn't a big deal as long as the place maintains its liked atmosphere (and Prowler does n't show up - we like Billy).
- B) Change is fine. It would be nice to have an establishment tied to Eastern's mascot.
- C) A name change is unnecessary. What was wrong with the familiar "Stix" name?
- D) If a name change was a must, couldn't they think of anything better? Now we have a bar that can possibly be referred to as "The P.P."

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### WTF?

## Stripping is not art

BOISE, Idaho — Art night at Erotic City apparently wasn't artistic enough. Police raided the Boise bar Monday night for violating the city's nudity ordinance, which requires that dancers wear at least pasties and a thong unless they are engaging in a performance with "serious artistic merit."

The club had tried to beat the ordinance by distributing pencils and sketch pads to patrons during special twice-weekly "art nights," when the dancers performed nude.

"It's actually pretty clear in the city ordinance that there are exemptions for dance and theater and artistic merits, but the law also clearly states that the exemption does not apply to adult businesses," said police spokeswoman Lynn Hightower.

### PEOPLE

## Jennings has cancer

NEW YORK — Peter Jennings, who revealed he has lung cancer Tuesday, plans to continue on "World News Tonight" as much as he can after beginning chemotherapy next week. Jennings, ABC's chief anchorman since 1983, was replaced by Elizabeth Vargas on Tuesday but taped a message telling viewers about his diagnosis.

"I will continue to do the broadcast," he said. "On good days my voice will not always be like this. Certainly, it's been a long time. And I hope it goes without saying that a journalist who doesn't value - deeply - the audience's loyalty should be in another line of work."

### COUNTING DOWN

# 29

Days until Cinco de Mayo.

### WORD DU JOUR

yawp:

- 1.) to make a raucous noise: squawk
- 2.) clamor, complain

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**GREEK WEEK ACTIVITIES**

**Competing for points in Pyramids, Canoe Races**

By KATHERINE ROCHE  
STAFF WRITER

Fraternities and sororities gathered near the Campus Pond to compete in Greek Week events Tuesday, Pyramids and Canoe Races.

The first team to make it back to the finish line after creating a human pyramid and holding the position for five seconds won the pyramids contest and five points toward their overall score for Greek Week.

Creating a human pyramid without falling proved a hard task to accomplish, but the fraternities and sororities stuck it out, and Sigma Phi Epsilon fraternity and Alpha Phi sorority came out on top.

Following pyramids, canoe races, also worth five points, took place in the Campus Pond while members of the Greek community gathered around to cheer on its teams.

"The reason the canoe race is my favorite event is because you never know what is going to happen," said Mia Donini, a junior family and consumer sciences major and member of Delta Zeta sorority. "It's funny because you actually never know who is going to fall in!"

Several racers did fall into the chilly waters of the pond while onlookers laughed and cheered.

With two teams racing at a time, some teams couldn't even make it to the halfway point without experiencing some difficulty.

Colleen Noha, a junior elementary education major and member of Delta Delta Delta sorority, was disappointed that



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The Phi Kappa Alpha canoe team reacts as it hits the water during the Canoe Races at Greek Week Tuesday afternoon at the Campus Pond. The team finished with a time of 3:49.

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her house didn't win the race, but she said she was excited to participate in her first Greek Week.

"Since it's our first time at Greek Week and our first year as a sorority, we are really concentrating on making a name for ourselves," Noha said.

In the fraternity division, Sigma Chi came in first place with Sigma Phi Epsilon in close second and Sigma Pi in third place. For the sororities, Sigma Sigma took first place, Delta Zeta took second and Alpha Sigma Tau took third.



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Alpha Phi competes in the finals of the Pyramids event of Greek Week at the Campus Pond Tuesday afternoon. Alpha Phi won the sorority division with a time of 19.12 seconds.

**Greek Week unity speaker offers useful advice to audience**

By AMANDA DUGAN  
STAFF WRITER

T.J. Sullivan told the Greek community how to handle "Confronting the Idiot in Your Chapter."

T. J. Sullivan, who has been to more than 1,000 universities and spoken to more than one million students, appeared as this year's Greek Week

unity speaker.

Sullivan talked about confrontation, caring and communication within a chapter. He explained the importance of talking with the "idiot" in a chapter and stressed when talking to the person, it needs to be at the right time, the right place and the right person addressing the issue.

Sullivan asked the audience if it had

ever dated, worked with and/or lived with an "idiot." Most of the audience agreed, and he then told personal stories of the people he has dealt with in his life and how he handled each situation.

"I think the audience related to the people he talked about because we have all had to deal with idiots in our lives," said Micah Tanner, a freshman unde-

clared major and member of Sigma Pi.

"(It's time to) stop thinking like a sorority or fraternity and start thinking like a sister or brother," Sullivan said.

Sullivan also encouraged members of the Greek community to seek outside help in tough situations.

"Every time you talk to someone, based on the promises you made, you have already succeeded," Sullivan

reminded the Greek audience. "Live your ritual."

Sullivan's words proved to be useful for his audience.

"I thought he did a great job. What he spoke about is definitely going to be useful, not only in our chapters, but with your friends and family too," said Alissa Rendall, a freshman elementary major and member of Alpha Phi.

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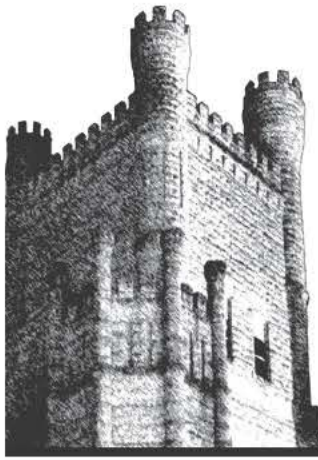
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### COLUMN

## Vegetarian options on-campus need help



LOGAN HAMILTON

SENIOR, ART MAJOR

Hamilton is a guest columnist for *The Daily Eastern News*.

As I look back on my time here at Eastern, I realize that the school has vast room for improvement in one area: serving students well-balanced meals not based around meat. I am a vegetarian, and for four years I have continually been disappointed with the meal options for people who either do not eat meat or want an additional healthy option.

Vegetarians have three basic choices in the dining centers: cheese filled pastas, Boca Burgers and side dishes such as salads and vegetables. Most vegetarian offerings here are high in starches and carbohydrates while low in protein and nutrients.

My sophomore year I approached a worker in Taylor Dining after I swiped yet another meal and found that both main course options had meat in them. Many weekends have similar occurrences since the options for meal-swipes are only Taylor and Stevenson deli during the day.

At night, reservation-only dining offers steak every night but only pasta for vegetarians, and meals are hit-or-miss when the campus regularly consolidates to Taylor.

I had several meetings with a Housing and Dining employee which did little but allow me a meatless option to be cooked when I asked. But this often took ten minutes and was rarely up to par with the meat-filled offerings others ate.

This past year, I again approached a Taylor Dining Supervisor who proved sympathetic to my dilemma. Taylor has since offered chilled and sliced tofu as a source of protein to be mixed with salads and rices. But little else has been offered to vegetarians that is seasoned and cooked like other main dishes.

While Boca Burgers and tofu were added in the last two years, there is little variety for vegetarians to choose from. The meatless soups that many dining centers offer are repetitive, with broccoli cheese and vegetarian vegetable making multiple appearances in a week.

Combining the options of all dining centers on a random night, vegetarians could have eaten soup, chips, vegetables, cheese pizza, cereal and the usual salad bar options. None of these serve as a main dish, and all lack a strong protein source for a fully balanced meal.

Despite a lack of vegetarian options, Housing and Dining Services does cater their menu to other people's needs. I have noticed this year that the Stevenson deli offers low-carb bread wraps, and during Lent dining centers have offered meatless soups and fish on certain days.

Eastern sends a negative message to vegetarians in catering to religions and fad diets, but not to people who choose a meatless lifestyle.

Judy Horn, director of Dining Services, has consistently told me that attempts are being made to cater to this need. I, along with other vegetarians, have written to Housing and Dining offering advice, as well as had letters to the editor published in *The News*.

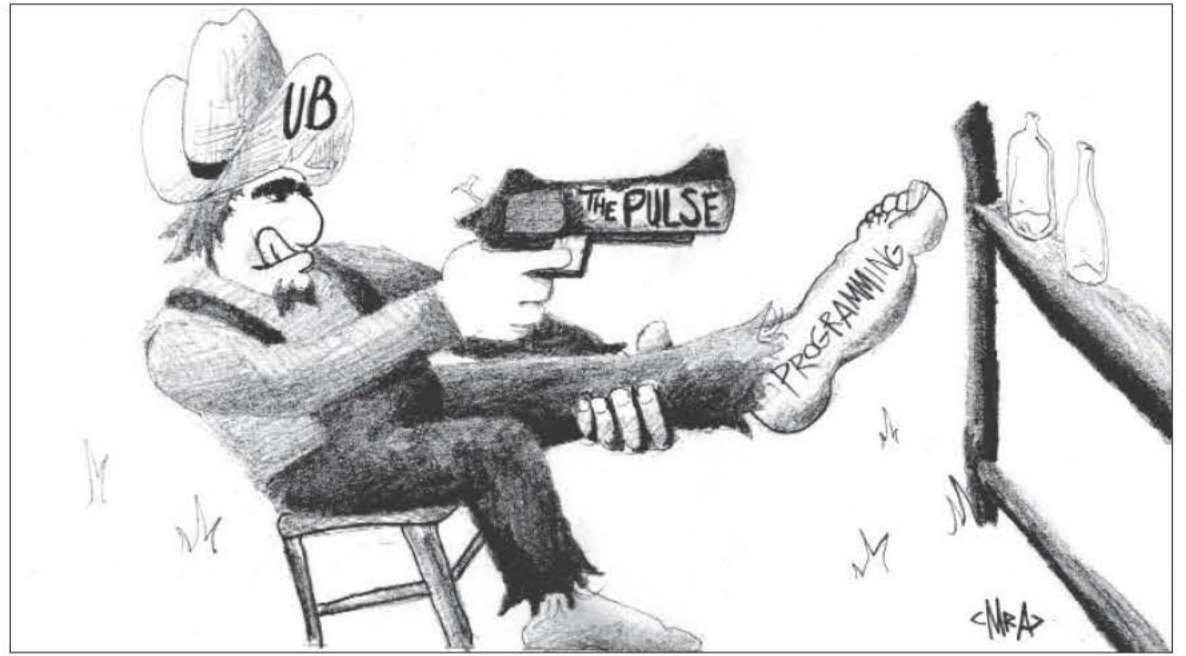
Yet dining center options have failed to address vegetarians' needs. We enjoy living on campus and would appreciate it if the mandatory meal plan that comes with housing could accommodate vegetarians as it does for other people. All people can enjoy vegetarian options while those of us who eat them daily would greatly appreciate being able to take full advantage of our meal plan.

If you feel the same way, please contact the director of Dining Services, Judy Horn at <cfjrh@eiu.edu> to make her aware of your concerns as well as share possible vegetarian options.

While it may seem hard to think of a "vegetarian meal," it simply involves removing the meat and adding protein while still preparing it as you would usually appreciate it.

With such changes, the dining centers will be able to live up to their mission statement to attempt to "satisfy customers based... on what they tell us they want."

### EDITORIAL CARTOON BY MICHAEL ABERNATHY



### EDITORIAL

## UB should host events first

The job of the University Board is to provide a diverse set of events for the student body to enjoy.

It brings comedians, concerts and other special events with hopes of getting positive turnout and feedback.

Last week at the Apportionment Board meeting, the UB presented its budget for next year, and what were missing were events.

Instead of keeping events like the Chinese Golden Dragon acrobats, which 200 people attended, the UB has decided to cut several events to help resurrect the PULSE, a publication that was created to promote UB events.

But even that has not been done. Previous PULSE publications have had articles about Ashmore Estates, sports, palm reading and an observatory - - located in Champaign. Not exactly UB-sponsored events.

Besides the acrobats, other events cut in favor of the PULSE were three comedians, an independent movie series, several lectures and prizes for Texas Hold 'Em tournaments.

If UB's job is to bring entertainment for students, then why would it be cutting its events to continue a failed product?

The PULSE failed to live up to its promise to be self-sufficient by March, producing only two issues this semester.

#### At issue

The University Board cutting programs next year to fund its PULSE publication

#### Our stance

This appropriation of student fees is not in the best interest of students. The programs are more important than advertising for them.

It failed, and students shouldn't miss out on events just to see it fail again. The goal of the PULSE was to better promote UB events, but spending more money on promotion for fewer events is definitely not the way to go.

Maybe the logic is with fewer events, the UB can do a better job of promoting the ones it does have, but anyone can see that just doesn't make sense.

The UB already had to make suggested cuts proposed by the Apportionment Board, so spending more than \$22,000 for the PULSE is not in the students' best interest. UB could bring back Ciara for four songs with that kind of money.

One of the ways to reduce costs is to sign local businesses to year-long advertisement contract, but that gets risky if the PULSE isn't able to produce for the entire year.

It would be safe to guess that businesses aren't knocking down the door to advertise in a publication that has yet to make it through an entire year.

The main goal UB should have is to try to preserve as many events as it can, possibly even adding events as it sees fit. Instead, it is giving students monthly origami lessons and promoting non-UB sponsored events.

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

## YOUR TURN: LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### EXPERIENCE DOES NOT MAKE A GOOD COUNCIL

I'm upset that *The Daily Eastern News'* editorial board chose other candidates over Brent Byrd, who wants to do so much for students and the

school.

He would be a better ally to Eastern than any of *The News'* endorsements. "Experience" with city government is a horrible excuse for endorsing or not endorsing any candidate.

Incumbents and career politicians aren't always the best candidates. *The News'* endorsements are flawed and so is their logic.

JEREMY BOWLING

JUNIOR POLITICAL SCIENCE MAJOR

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# Students suggest other teaching methods

By KYLE MAYHUGH  
STAFF WRITER

The Honors College Fishbowl gave students a chance to decide what kind of learning experience they want.

A panel of 10 honors students discussed their preferences on teaching and learning styles while more than 20 students and teachers watched and listened.

"Depending on how this goes, I hope to make this an every-year or every-other-year thing," said Honors College Dean Bonnie Irwin.

The only rule was students could not mention a specific teacher or class they had taken, whether the comment was positive or negative.

One topic that came up was the balance between open discussion and lecture information in class.

"It just gets frustrating," said Rachel Dent, a senior mathematics student. "We could go around and around in circles on abortion (in a social problems class), but it needs to



LINDSEY CHOY/THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

Honors students discuss in a fishbowl formation Tuesday in the 1895 Room of the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union their likes and dislikes about honors classes they have taken.

be put into context for us to learn anything."

Gabe Holmes, the moderator of the event, said he appreciated the discussion, but he said when it's over, he wants to learn something concrete.

"In the end, tell us what the green

light on the dock means," Holmes said, referring to a literary device in "The Great Gatsby."

Cassandra Baker, a biology major, said she appreciates teachers who show flexibility in class.

"I really like how (the teachers in)

my honors classes can gauge what we are interested in and focus the discussion around that," Baker said.

The group also discussed the characteristics of a good teacher. What it came up with included understanding students, showing enthusiasm,

having clear grading guidelines and having a flexible syllabus.

One panelist complained that, in some classes, the teacher would fall hopelessly behind if students asked to go back to a subject discussed on a previous day.

## Speeding up PAWS

### New features to aid in accessing grades, schedules

By ASHLEY RUEFF  
STAFF WRITER

Information Technology Services has alleviated the frustration of reaching Panther Access Web Services during high traffic periods by adding new features to the system that allow more students to view their grades and schedules simultaneously.

The new PAWS Express Grades and PAWS Express Schedule are read-only options that allow students to view their grades and schedule without bogging down the system.

"Students had trouble logging into PAWS at the end of the (fall) semester to view grades and at the beginning of the (spring) semester to view their schedules," said Sue Harvey, acting registrar at the university records office.

Before the new features, students were logged directly into the main system, Harvey said.

"Students used the interactive features to look at everything on the menu, staying in the system for a long time and making it difficult for other students to log into PAWS," Harvey said.

When the system was overloaded, students were prompted with a message that said "the maximum number of users is signed on."

"There weren't a lot of complaints, but there were a lot of questions as to what the message meant," Harvey said.

ITS wanted to fix this problem for students. "We wanted to provide a method that would require less interaction, fewer 'clicks' by the student and also move the students through the system more quickly," said Kathy Reed from ITS.

Harvey said not many students have accessed the new features yet.

The express grades and express schedule were both made available to students over spring break, said Vicki Phillips at ITS.

"It will probably be the end of the semester before we know how successful it will be because that's when most students will be accessing their grades," Harvey said.

Jennifer Benarczyk, a junior marketing major, was glad to hear about the new features.

"Right before the semester, there are so many people trying to get on, you have to try multiple times to get to your schedule," she said. "If that's all you're trying to get, it will be nice to go ahead and get your schedule without affecting everything else on PAWS."

Links for the express features have been made available on the Eastern home page, the student tab on the home page, the PAWS page and through the SPIN links page.

## Groundwater proposal put on file for public inspection

### City council files water, sewer rate increase as well

BRIAN GARTLAN  
STAFF WRITER

A city ordinance prohibiting the use of groundwater as a potable water supply to promote local development was put on file for public inspection by the Charleston City Council Tuesday night.

The Environmental Protection Agency has requirements to remove contaminated soil off land before it is sold, said Larry Rennels, city councilman, noting the EPA has relaxed its current requirements.

"The landowners can sell it at a reasonable price (if this passes) to help build new businesses in Charleston," Rennels said.

Groundwater currently has to be clean enough so any resident can drill a well for drinking water, according to the regulations of the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency.

"If we currently did nothing, anyone who owns those sites would have to spend a lot of money to take all the dirt out and put back in clean dirt," said Mayor Dan Cougill.

The ordinance approval eliminates the cost of removing the contaminated dirt for property owners and possible buyers.

Also at the meeting, a 6.23 percent increase of water and sewer rates were put on file for public inspection as part of the city's proposed budget for next year.

Bids for water and sewer materials were also awarded at the meeting.

All bids were submitted March 29, and National Waterworks of Granite City was awarded the bid for water mains and accessories at \$102,009.81. Midwest Meter of Edinburg was awarded the bid for copper and brass materials at \$6,655.

The council proclaimed April as Teen Reach month in an effort to raise awareness for Charleston's Teen Reach program, awarded two raffle permits and granted five Tax Increment Financing loans/grants to help renovate the downtown TIF district.

The mayor thanked the Black Student Union for picking up trash from Fourth Street to Division Street and Grant Avenue to Buchanan Avenue last weekend when approximately 20 people picked up more than 100 bags of trash.

"It's not glamorous, but they were enthusiastic, and we're thankful," he said.

Lorelei Sims was not present at the meeting.

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# Student parents aid in addressing day care

By JENNIFER PERYAM  
ADMINISTRATION EDITOR

Eastern's Student Parent Association expressed its concerns with the university not offering a campus day care at the Faculty Senate meeting Tuesday.

ESPA is a recognized student organization on campus that consists of 15 members who are Eastern students that have children.

The Faculty and Student Senates have been assessing the need for a campus day care by distributing a child-care survey regarding child-care issues. Some of the questions on the survey inquire to see if the surveyor notices a need for a day care

and how much he or she is willing to pay for services.

"As of last Monday, we have received 69 responses," said day-care search committee chair John Pommier. "We are trying to find individuals who would benefit from child care."

ESPA contributed insight into the day care discussion and expressed their experiences with balancing child care and classes.

"When I looked at Eastern, I was told there was day care on campus; I feel shorted," said Alijah Levi, secretary of ESPA.

Levi said she has missed classes because she had to take care of her children, and

there were no facilities to help her. ESPA members have used their associations to help one another in child-care duties.

"We know we have to help one another out," Levi said. "This is our life, and we have to plan ahead."

ESPA members take turns in providing child care and transportation to other members of the organization.

Other ESPA members spoke about the struggles they face in not having a day care to take care of their children.

"If students don't have child care they can't go to class," said ESPA President Theresa Lindsay. "This is a journey for all of us."

Lindsey spends Tuesday and Thursday

mornings providing child care for ESPA members' children.

Faculty Senate members responded to the organization's concerns.

"We will continue with this issue, but we have to be realistic in the process," said senate member Assege Haile Mariam.

Haile Mariam said establishing a day care would require following state and federal rules and would not be something that would happen overnight.

"Child care is important, and I hope it will not be something pushed aside," Pommier said.

The Faculty Senate meets at 2 p.m. on Tuesdays in Booth Library Conference Room 4440.

## FORMER STANDOUTS ARE SENTENCED FOR MURDER

METROPOLIS - Two former athletic stars at Meridian High School were sentenced to a combined 77 years in prison in the death of a 22-year-old woman.

Judah Watkins, 18, of Metropolis, was sentenced to 50 years Monday after being convicted by a jury in February of first-degree murder in Andrea Perdeu's May 2004 death. Watkins' high school basketball honors included being named second team all-conference in the South Egyptian Conference for the 2003-2004 season.

Sharod Roundtree, 25, of Metropolis, who played semipro football after high school graduation, was sentenced to 27 years in prison. He pleaded guilty in the case in January.



## ATTORNEYS ASK FOR AN APPEAL IN CICERO CASE

CHICAGO - Attorneys for Cicero's former town president and six others urged an appeals court Tuesday to overturn their clients' convictions in a \$12 million insurance scam, arguing the group was found guilty based on testimony from a witness with drug problems and other suspect evidence.

The former town president, Betty Loren-Maltese, is serving an eight-year sentence in prison in California for what prosecutors say was a massive, mob-linked fraud aimed at the

west suburban community.

New York appeals lawyer Alan M. Dershowitz told the panel that U.S. District Judge John M. Grady erred in refusing to allow the jury to hear about minutes of a key town council meeting, saying they included remarks by town Treasurer Joseph DeChicco that would have cleared Loren-Maltese.

## TORNADO SEASON STRENGTH UP IN THE AIR

PEORIA - Weather forecasters suggest keeping umbrellas and jackets handy this spring but say it's anybody's guess whether the soggy outlook might spin up a third straight year of heavy tornadoes in Illinois.

Last year's 80 twisters doubled the state's yearly average and came

on the heels of a record 120 tornadoes in 2003. At least one is already on the books this year - a brief touchdown in a field a few miles east of Peoria during a wave of storms that rolled across the state last week.

"Some people think we'll have a normal year, some people think we'll have more than usual and others think we'll have less. Really, there's no way to know," said James Auten, a meteorologist with the National Weather Service in Lincoln.

Long-range forecasts for cooler-than-normal temperatures and above-average rainfall through June are little more than fodder to argue all sides of the debate, said Jim Angel, state climatologist with the Illinois Water Survey in Champaign.

## JOHN MALKOVICH SPEAKS AT ILLINOIS STATE

NORMAL - Oscar-nominated actor John Malkovich returned to Illinois State University for the first time in almost 30 years, and he left with a diploma in hand.

Malkovich, 52, spoke to ISU students Monday about acting and directing, and he also confirmed a story that has become sort of an urban legend on campus.

Malkovich had enough credits to graduate from ISU in 1976, but he first had to take a required Constitution test. The Benton native said he thought the test room was hot and stuffy, so he walked out before completing the exam and hitched a ride to Chicago.

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- ◆ Mike Sullivan
- ◆ James D. Shaffer

### TRUSTEES OF THE COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT TWO-YEAR TERM

◆ Anne M. Kabbes

## TWO:

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of Charleston want me to serve," Lahr said.

The candidates that received the most votes will serve four-year terms, and the other two candidates will only serve two-year terms.

This form of government creates staggered terms for city council members to prevent an entire new council every four years.

John Winnett, who has served on city council for many years, was not reelected to serve another term.

"I spent 32 years on (city council), and I was happy with the results," Winnett said.

Winnett only received 1,204 votes, placing sixth in the overall election.

"When you're 68 years old, that is a lot of years," he said. "I told my wife tonight it was about time to retire."

The new council members hope to maintain the dynamics of the current city council.

"I think we will probably continue with the things we started like the five-year plan," Rennels said.

The new mayor, John Inyart, ran uncontested.

"I really didn't know what to expect, and I'm willing to work with anyone," Inyart said. "All of the candidates ran for the right reasons."

Tom Watson followed Rennels and placed fifth with 1,220. Brent Byrd placed seventh with 1,149 votes, and Bob Murphy placed eighth with 1,130 votes.

**"I really didn't know what to expect, and I'm willing to work with anyone."**

JOHN INYART,  
MAYOR

## HIT:

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Charleston bands Forgetting Paris, Sleeping Past Ten and Fortyminusone are also on the playlist, Drozd said.

To be heard on "Illinois," bands need to send a demo and biography to "Illinois" to Hit Mix Radio, 600 Lincoln Ave. Charleston, IL 61920.

Another popular program on the air is the "4 at 4," with Kevin McDonough, a senior communications major and "4 at 4" DJ.

"Listeners can win CDs from various artists if they listen to the four songs at 4 p.m. Monday through Friday and find the connection between them," McDonough said.

He said some days are easy, and other days depend on listeners'

music knowledge.

"I call in at least twice a week to try and win," said Marquis. "I haven't won yet."

McDonough said there has been a winner every day on the "4 at 4."

Listeners can call 581-6116 to play the "4 at 4" or to call in requests.

Students interested in volunteering at the station can contact Owens through Hit Mix's Web site.

# EPA says 21 counties meet standards

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON — The Environmental Protection Agency announced Tuesday that 21 counties in nine states are being removed from the government's watch list of areas in the country with the dirtiest air.

The government had identified 225 counties in 20 states that were either unclassified or not meeting its new clean-air standards for reducing the amount of microscopic soot in the air, putting those areas on notice that they must devise a pollution-reduction plan.

## INMATE, WARDEN'S WIFE FOUND AFTER 10 YEARS

OKLAHOMA CITY — A convicted murderer and a deputy warden's wife who disappeared nearly 11 years ago have been found living together and raising chickens in Texas. The woman said she was held captive the whole time, staying with the killer out of fear her family would be harmed if she fled.

Bobbi Parker, 42, was reunited with her husband Tuesday as authorities tried to piece together details of the strange case.

## SCHIAVO REMEMBERED BY MASS IN FLORIDA

GULFPORT, Fla. — Hundreds of mourners gathered Tuesday to remember Terri Schiavo at a funeral Mass arranged by her parents,

## NATIONAL BRIEFS



the total \_ came from 15 Washington schools designated as in need of improvement under the No Child Left Behind Act.

## VERMONT TOWN TO VOTE ON LIMITING RETAIL CHAINS

BENNINGTON, Vt. — Mike Bethel likes downtown Bennington. Narrow streets lined with small shops and cafes squeezed into the ground floors of historic buildings, it's quintessential New England.

But he doesn't mind going out to the retail strip known as Northside Drive and shopping at the local Wal-Mart, either.

WASHINGTON — A tiny percentage of students in Washington's most troubled public schools applied for private school vouchers under the nation's first federally funded program, according to an Education Department report released Tuesday.

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## DELIVERYMAN STUCK IN ELEVATOR FOR DAYS

NEW YORK — A deliveryman who vanished after taking Chinese food to a Bronx high-rise apartment building was found alive Tuesday after apparently spending more than three days trapped in an elevator that had become stuck between floors.

Ming Kuang Chen, 35, had been the subject of a widespread search after he failed to return to his restaurant Friday night with \$200 in receipts, prompting speculation that he was the victim of armed bandits or some other urban horror.

## FIREPROOFING COULD HAVE CAUSED COLLAPSE

NEW YORK — Federal investigators said Tuesday the World Trade Center buildings probably would not have collapsed in the Sept. 11, 2001, attacks if fireproofing had adhered firmly to the columns and floors.

The National Institute of Standards and Technology also concluded that the average survivor took more than double the estimated time to descend emergency stairwells, and that better communication between emergency responders could have saved more lives.

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# Saudi forces end their biggest battle yet with Islamic militants

RASS, Saudi Arabia — Security forces stormed a walled compound Tuesday where Islamic militants had been barricaded for days, ending the kingdom's largest gunbattle yet and killing 14 armed extremists, including top leaders in the Saudi branch of al-Qaida.

At least six others were captured during three days of heavy firefights in the desert town of Rass, state-run television said, reporting the death toll and citing security officials after the battle was over. Fourteen members of the security forces were wounded.

"There was no chance for anyone to escape. We got them all," Interior Minister spokesman Brig. Gen. Mansour al-Turki said.

The standoff ended when security forces stormed the partially built walled villa compound Tuesday night, but he would not confirm the number of people killed and captured.

The size and ferocity of the battle in Rass, 220 miles northwest of Riyadh, suggested the security forces had uncovered a major cell of the al-Qaida-linked militant networks that the kingdom has battled in a crack-

down launched in 2003 following a string of deadly suicide bombings.

For nearly 48 hours, up to 10 gunmen who survived initial fighting Sunday were holed up in the villa compound with a large arsenal of weapons. Surrounded by hundreds of Saudi special forces, they fired heavy volleys of automatic weapons fire and grenades.

Residents said they heard a furious 30-minute long exchange of gunfire as troops stormed the villa and police cars streamed into the area.

"We could hear all the action but

we couldn't see anything. It sounded like fireworks at a wedding," said Mahboob Alam, 21, a Bangladeshi worker in an ice cream parlor.

After the fighting was over, security forces closed off parts of Rass, a conservative town with mosques on nearly every corner in a region of the kingdom known for its hardcore fundamentalists. An Associated Press reporter in the town saw half a dozen ambulances leaving the village, their sirens blaring.

It was the longest single gunbattle against the largest band of militants that Saudi forces have faced in the two-year

crackdown — and the highest number of militant casualties in a single fight. Previously, the highest was six militants killed in July 2003 when police raided a farm in Qassim, near Rass.

The dead from the Rass fighting included Nos. 4 and 7 on Saudi Arabia's list of 26 most-wanted terrorists Moroccan Kareem Altohami al-Mojati and Saudi Saud Homood Obaid al-Otaibi, a leading figure in al-Qaida's branch in Saudi Arabia and the Gulf region a senior military official in Rass said on condition of anonymity.

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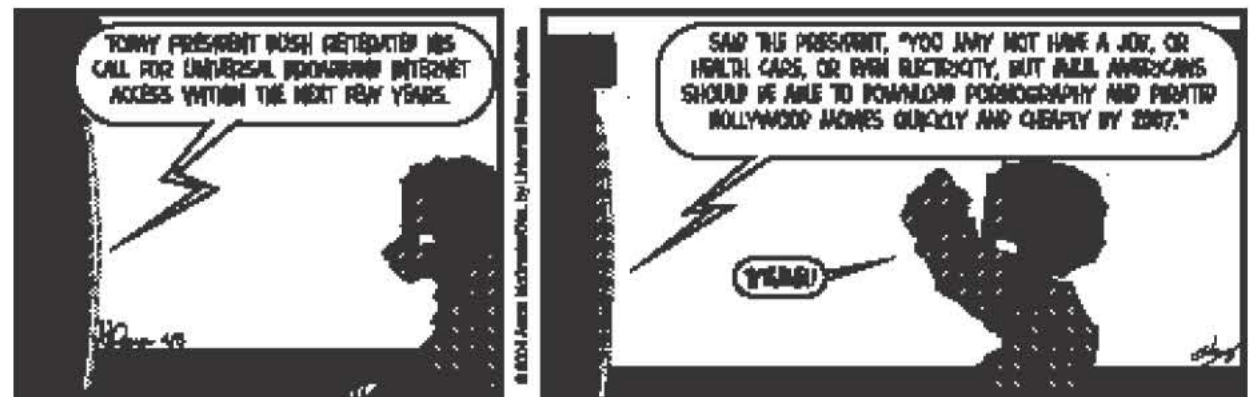
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## BASEBALL

# 17 hits not enough for a win

STAFF REPORT

The Panther baseball team failed to capitalize on 17 hits at Sycamore Field in Terre Haute, Ind., as Eastern fell 16-6 to Indiana State Tuesday night.

The Sycamores got 12 hits, but Indiana State took advantage of six Panther errors.

The Panthers (6-19, 3-3 Ohio Valley

Conference) did get two home runs off of the bat of sophomore catcher Joe Hernandez in the loss.

Eastern had a golden opportunity in the top of the sixth inning, trailing 6-3 with the bases loaded and one out. But the Sycamores (13-14) were able to turn their 12th double play of the season.

Eastern returns home to Coaches Stadium today to take on in-state rival Northern Illinois at

3 p.m. The Huskies (6-16) are sending senior left-handed pitcher Jeff Hall (0-0, 8.64 ERA) to the mound, and Eastern counters with sophomore righty Brian Long (0-0 7.52 ERA).

Senior right fielder Eric Sansouci's .349 batting average leads the Northern offense. His outfield mate, senior centerfielder Jeremy Busch, is also hitting over .300, carrying a .322 average to go along with a team-best six home runs.

## NCAA WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

## Baylor routs Michigan State 84-62 to win title

INDIANAPOLIS (AP) — As she walked toward her bench before tipoff, Kim Mulkey-Robertson, forever the little point guard, clenched her fist and saluted thousands of Baylor's adoring fans.

Their coach was ready, and so were their Lady Bears.

Twisting and turning with every shot on the sideline from start to finish while wearing a powder-blue — or was it North Carolina championship blue? — suit on Tuesday night, Mulkey-Robertson, who five years ago inherited a program in the Big 12's sub-basement, brought Baylor all the way to the top of women's college basketball.

"Little things, the first year when we had a winning season, and then we upset a ranked opponent," she said after the 84-62 title game win over Michigan State. "When you're building a program, you got to take the little things and

**"It's not the coaching, it's these guys taking me for a tremendous ride."**

KIM MULKEY-ROBERTSON, BAYLOR COACH

make them monumental, and that's what we've been able to do."

In doing so, Mulkey-Robertson, who won two national titles at Louisiana Tech in the 1980s, became the first woman to win a national championship as a player and head coach. On the men's side, Bob Knight and Dean Smith are the only ones to accomplish the rare double-double.

And at the rate Mulkey-Robertson is going, she just might do it again.

In the closing seconds of Tuesday night's

game, Mulkey-Robertson replaced some of her starters, greeting each with a warm embrace before giving them a swat on the backside.

That's her to a tee, loving and forceful, the demanding mother who refuses to let her kids settle for second-best.

When the final horn sounded, Mulkey-Robertson broke into tears as her children, 13-year-old Makenzie and 11-year-old Kramer, rushed into their mom's arms to celebrate a victory no one in college basketball could have predicted at the beginning of the season.

But with their coach, who starred at Louisiana Tech leading the way, the Lady Bears forced their way through their conference and then through the tournament, winning 20 straight games to end the season.

"It's not the coaching, it's these guys taking me for a tremendous ride," said Mulkey-Robertson.

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(9-21, 2-6) for the first five innings before Morehead finally got on the board in the sixth.

Eastern added an insurance run in the bottom half of the sixth and closed the game out, winning 5-2.

Mackie picked up her second win of the year, allowing two runs on nine hits and walking one batter.

Sophomore infielder Katy Steele came up big for the Panthers, collecting four hits and two RBIs and scoring one run in the doubleheader.

In the second game, junior third baseman Rachel Karos had two hits and drove in two runs in the Panther win.

Eastern will play the rubber match in its three-game set with Morehead tomorrow at 1 p.m. at Williams Field.

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Iowa. The company is an independent corporation that sells instructional videos and equipment to schools nationwide.

McDuffie stated that he, along with the search committee, was not concerned about his year away from the coaching profession.

"He displayed the leadership qualities that we were looking for to turn this program around," McDuffie said. "No, that was not discussed at all."

Close got back into the game by taking the head coaching position at Regina High School in Iowa for three years before accepting the assistant position under Bo Ryan at Wisconsin.

In his two seasons as a Badger, he has tallied a record of 50-16 with Wisconsin making two NCAA Tournament appearances, including this season's

Elite Eight loss to national champion North Carolina.

Close's ability to recruit is mainly based in the Midwest even though the career assistant is originally from New Jersey.

"We feel like anybody can be successful in that regard, and he can recruit across the country," McDuffie said.

Close exemplifies what the search committee requires for succeeding off the court, as Wisconsin is one of the leading academic institutions in the Big Ten.

The Badgers' most recent NCAA four-year graduation rate for men's basketball was 73 percent, and Wisconsin had an Academic Progress Report score of 962 (0-to-1000 scale) compared to Eastern's 923 and the national average of 906.

"These are the kinds of qualities that we are looking for in regards to representing us on the floor and in the classroom," McDuffie said.

The other two candidates will be interviewed Thursday and Friday.



GARY CLOSE

## HOHENADEL:

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his wallet schedule to see the Cubs play at 1:20 p.m., so he gets a Budweiser, sits on his recliner and turns to WGN to find out that the Cubs game will not be shown. Grandpa's choices are to watch "Will and Grace" reruns, curse at the TV and throw the remote, or do something else that grandpas do.

Chances are any choice Grandpa makes, he's not going to pass down Cubs tradition to little Jimmy.

Dare I say, Grandpa goes out and orders the YES network, and, instead of worrying about what channel the Cubs play on every day, he just turns to the YES network and watches the Yankees every day.

But radio, of course, is a different story. Thank god for Ron Santo.

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05 with a 17-12 overall record.

The Monmouth native has been a protégé of Wildcat head coach Jim Wooldridge as one of his top assistants at both Texas State and Kansas State.

At the age of 29, Miller became the second-youngest Division I men's basketball head coach and the



MIKE MILLER

11th men's basketball coach in Texas State history.

In 1997, Miller was part of a Bobcat basketball program, which advanced to the NCAA Tournament for the second time in four years. That berth was his first as a head coach and came as Miller was named the Southland Conference Coach of the Year.

The Bobcats claimed the conference postseason title before falling to Final Four-bound Minnesota in a first-round match-up in Kansas City.

The Daily Herald and Comcast SportsNet reported Illinois assistant coach Jay Price is rumored as a candidate for Eastern's head-coaching vacancy.

Illinois sports information director Kent Brown said Illinois had no official position on Price leaving and gave no official comment to the most recent reports involving Eastern's interest.

Eastern director of athletics Rich McDuffie had no comment on the interviews occurring Thursday and Friday.

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## TOP CAT

# SILENT BUT DEADLY

Sophomore Chuck LeVaque is a fierce competitor without the emotion

By MATT DANIELS  
STAFF WRITER

Sophomore Chuck LeVaque isn't like most tennis players.

He definitely is no John McEnroe when it comes to temperament — not really questioning calls or throwing his racket in disgust.

In fact the Canadian native is one of the most humble individuals that head coach Brian Holzgrafe has seen in his coaching career.

"(LeVaque) is sometimes almost too humble," Holzgrafe said.

LeVaque, from a small town about an hour from Montreal, does have his quirks though, Holzgrafe said.

"I mean, come on, he's Canadian," Holzgrafe joked. "You know how they are."

His even-keeled nature should not fool people, though.

LeVaque is a fierce competitor with a 10-5 record at No. 1 singles and a 5-1 record in the Ohio Valley Conference. The only blemish came this past weekend to Morehead State's Greg Johnstone.

After recording a 12-6 record last spring at No. 3 singles, LeVaque has shined in his first season in the role of No. 1.

An all-conference selection last year, LeVaque is in the running for the OVC Men's Player of the Year.

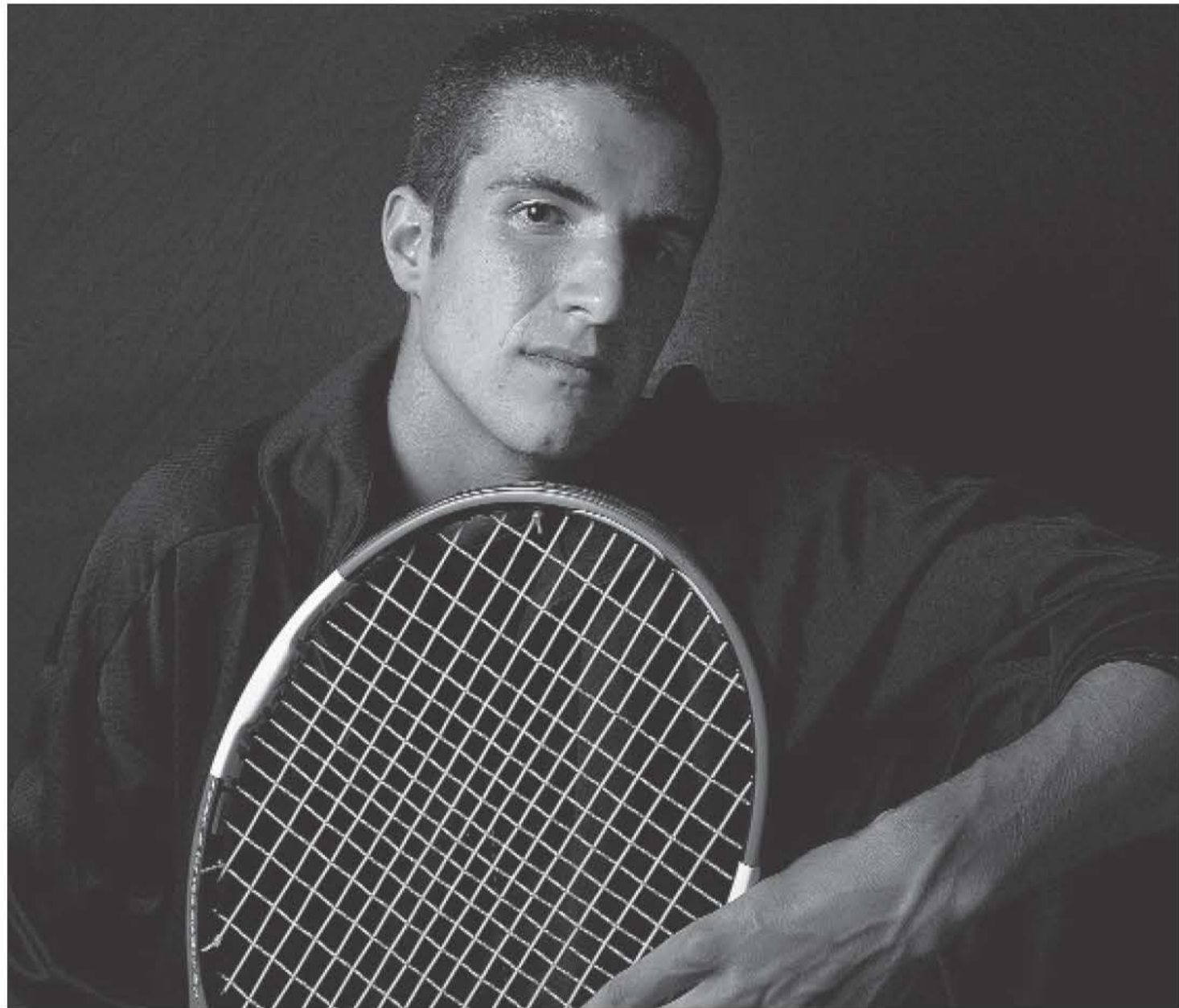
If he does accomplish that feat, it will be the second straight year an Eastern men's tennis player has taken that honor. Last year current Eastern graduate assistant C.J. Weber took home the award.

"(LeVaque) is a leader by example, just like (Weber) was last year," Holzgrafe said.

LeVaque also thinks that having Weber around this year has helped his game.

"(Weber) can really relate to what I'm going through since he was at No. 1 last year," LeVaque said.

The season has been a disappointment for Eastern as a team with a 3-12 overall record and a 1-5 mark in the OVC, good for ninth place in the OVC. The team likely will not qualify for the conference tournament one season after finishing fifth in the OVC and third in the conference's tournament.



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Sophomore Chuck LeVaque has a 10-5 record in his first year as No. 1 singles, ranking as one of the top players in the Ohio Valley Conference. Head coach Brian Holzgrafe said LeVaque has filled in nicely for C.J. Weber

Although the team's win-loss column is shrinking, LeVaque has not stopped growing as a player.

LeVaque's loss to Johnstone snapped a four-match winning streak and was his first loss in nearly a month.

"(LeVaque) has grown with each match

that he has been in," Holzgrafe said.

Despite his obvious growth as a player, LeVaque tries not to base his individual game on any particular professional.

"I try and have my own type of game where I'm a more defensive player who sticks to the baseline," LeVaque said.

LeVaque's cool demeanor on the court also reflects how he is off of it.

"I'm really relaxed," LeVaque said. "Actually, I'm really shy."

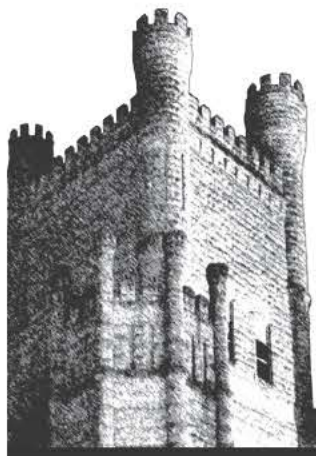
"I'm really not a talker, but more of a listener."

He's definitely no John McEnroe.

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**JOHN HOHENADEL**  
SPORTS REPORTER

## Channel surfing for Cubbies

Remember when Comcast Sports Net used to be Fox Sports Net? Remember when Fox Sports Net used to be Sports Channel? Remember when the Cubs never played on any of those channels?

It used to be strictly WGN for the Cubs, but now, looking at my handy wallet schedule, they will play at least one game on six different channels.

The channels include, of course, WGN, Comcast Sports Net, Comcast Sports Net Plus, FOX, ESPN and WCIU, "the U."

Why can't the baseball gods make it easy for Cubs fans?

Remember in 2003, when the Cubs choked in the playoffs and everyone was walking around campus with Cubs gear on? Well, I'm going to go out on a limb here and say most of those Cubs supporters were from the Chicagoland-area, but some of them weren't.

The ones that weren't from the Chicagoland-area most likely supported the Cubs because those rabbit ears on top of their televisions were still able to receive WGN.

If they were able to receive WGN, they were able to tune in to all 162 Cubs' games, up until 10 years ago or so.

Some people, I'd imagine, tuned into the Cubs games solely because Harry Caray reminded them of summer.

He and Steve Stone were great together, but then, of course, Caray died in 1998 and was replaced by his grandson Chip.

Stone took a couple years off and returned to the booth only to be run out by crying players and managers, as was Caray.

Now the Cubs aren't on WGN every game. They don't have a recognizable voice of summer, and, on top of that, when Cubs fans actually believe it's "The Year," they choke.

All of this leads me to believe that Cubs fan base is deteriorating. I could be dead wrong on this whole thing.

Maybe the fan base right now is at an all-time high, but in the near future, it won't be because people that want to flip to WGN and see the Cubs play every game aren't going to be able to.

Imagine grandpa pulling out

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## SOFTBALL

# Pitching keys mid-week split



STEPHEN HAAS/THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

Sophomore infielder Chelsea Adams hits in the first game against Morehead State Tuesday afternoon at Williams Field. Adams went 3-for-8 with one run.

## Panther pitchers only allow three runs in doubleheader

BY DAN RENICK  
ASSOCIATE SPORTS EDITOR

The Eastern softball team split a doubleheader Tuesday at Williams Field, dropping the first game 1-0 and coming back strong with a 5-2 win.

In the first game, senior pitcher Heather Hoeschen threw 10 innings, allowing no earned runs on six hits, striking out a career-high 10 batters and walking just one.

But Hoeschen's outstanding pitching performance wasn't enough to lift the Panthers over the Eagles, as they lost 1-0 in extra innings.

"I thought I did as much as I could personally to win," Hoeschen said. "In the ninth, I started to get really tired, and when we huddled up, I told the girls we need to finish it."

The only run of the game came in the top half of the 10th when, because of international rules, each team started the inning with a runner on second after the inning.

Morehead first-baseman Michelle McCrady drove in her sister, Amanda McCrady, for the eventual winning run.

"It was kind of disappointing to lose just because the rule gives them a runner on second," Hoeschen said, "but we did have a chance to win it when we got a runner on second, too."

Unfortunately the Panthers (6-17, 3-5 Ohio Valley Conference) weren't able to plate a runner to tie the game, and Eastern head coach Lloydene Searle knew it was a tough loss for the Panthers, who had only four hits on the day.

"I was disappointed for the players and for Hoeschen; she pitched a phenomenal game," Searle said. "The wind took a couple hits away from us today."

Senior Stephanie Hernandez picked up the win for the Eagles, also throwing 10 innings, allowing four hits and striking out four.

But the Panthers came out strong in the second game, scoring two runs in the second and another two in the third to jump out to an early lead.

Freshman pitcher Karyn Mackie shut out the Eagles

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## MEN'S BASKETBALL SEARCH

# Panthers get 'Close' to hiring new coach

## Wisconsin assistant is first interview for men's basketball job

BY MATTHEW STEVENS  
SPORTS REPORTER

Eastern is looking north for the first of its three men's basketball coaching interviews.

The Panthers athletic department announced Tuesday that Wisconsin assistant Gary Close will be in Charleston on a day-long interview today.

Close has been an assistant for 18 years with stints at Stanford, Iowa

and Wisconsin.

"His experiences at high-quality institutions under a couple very good coaches impressed us," said Rich McDuffie, director of athletics.

At Iowa from 1987-99, Close was under the tutelage of Tom Davis and was involved with nine NCAA Tournament teams along with a pair of NIT bids.

Known as the "Shot Doctor," Close is highly regarded for this ability to coach shooting as his Hawkeye teams shot better than 48 percent five times during his period in Iowa.

When the Hawkeyes hired Steve Alford, Close was sent packing and was forced to take an alternate route

## KSU's Miller is last, but is Price right?

BY MATTHEW STEVENS  
SPORTS REPORTER

A source close to the Panther men's basketball team said Kansas State associate head coach Mike Miller will be on campus Friday to interview for the men's basketball head coaching vacancy.

Miller works closely with the day-to-day, on-the-floor coaching duties at Kansas State. He also plays a major role in recruiting, including helping Kansas State sign three Top 25 recruiting classes.

Miller helped Kansas State post its first winning season in six years in 2004-

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back to coaching.

For one year, Close took a job as the director of Basketball Operations for

Championship Productions in Ames,

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