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The DAILY EASTERN NEWS

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UNIVERSITY | TEACHER POLICIES

Perry limits grad assistant teaching

Grads can only teach 3 percent of all classes

By Stephen Di Benedetto Senior University Reporter

raduate assistants will not be able to teach more than 3 percent of Eastern classes.

President Bill Perry made the decision to create the 3 percent lock because he said he feels 3 percent is the proper fit for Eastern.

"While it is a valid part of our program, the faculty are the arbitrators of quality in instruction," Perry said.

The 3 percent lock on graduate assistants being used for supervised instruction was part of Perry's memorandum of the Graduate Assistant Instructional, Research and Service Mission statement, which the Council on Graduate Studies approved early last semester.

The 3 percent lock and statement went into effect Monday – the start of the spring semester.

Dean of the Graduate School Robert Augustine said he thought Perry's decision was appropriate.

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KAROLINA STRACK | THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

Michelle Arnold, a graduate student, goes over course information during her introduction to a speech communications class. Arnold is a second year graduate student and has instructed various courses at Eastern during her career.

CAMPUS | TEXTBOOK RENTAL

IN SEARCH OF MORE SPACE

New building intended to ease crowding issues in current facility

By Ashley Mefford

Senior Campus Reporter

Lorraine Edwards, a senior business management major, is looking forward to the shorter lines Textbook Rental will have.

Textbook Rental Service, currently located adjacent to Pemberton Hall, is scheduled to move.

A new building for Textbook Rental has been Eastern's plan for several years, said Dan Nadler, Vice President of Student Affairs.

Edwards works at Textbook Rental and knows first-hand what new technology could mean for the textbook rental service.

"The new building will make the lines decrease because of technology," Edwards said. "We are working toward putting the books on a computer scanning program."

Textbook Rental would be moved to Edgar Drive in a larger facility, Nadler said

It is uncertain when exactly the move will take place.

"There is no specific timeline established," Nadler said. "Presently we are in the schematic design phase. We will not have any additional details until we look at cost and funding models."

The current building used for Textbook Rental was a gymnasium



MITCH SURPRENANT | THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

Dan Eungard, a sophomore geology major, returns books to the correct shelves on Wednesday afternoon. Eungard works at Textbook Rental, and helps students check out the books they need for the semester.

before McAfee was around, said Carol Miller, deputy director of Textbook Rental.

It was not built for Textbook Rental, but the new one will be, Miller said.

shuttle bus and parking.
"It would be more comfortable and customer-friendly," Miller said.

The new building would offer a

The current building is on three different floors, but the new building would have everything on one

"The advanced technology as well as having everyone work on one floor of a facility will be a great improvement," Nadler said.

Ashley Mefford can be reached at 581-7942 or almefford@eiu.edu.

MORE ONLINE

• Associate Online Editor Nicole Milstead went to Textbook Rental on

Monday to check out how busy it really was.

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MATTOON | FUTUREGEN

FutureGen meets the neighbors

Construction on new fuel plant will create 1,000 jobs, officials say

By Rob Siebert

Staff Reporter

Representatives from Future-Gen and Coles Together met with residents at a luncheon yesterday to discuss plans for Mattoon's zeroemissions fossil fuel plant.

Jerry Oliver, senior vice president for project development, and Roger Gilchrist, department project director, were both on hand from FutureGen.

Oliver and Gilchrest praised the Mattoon community for its support and enthusiasm, adding that their city was chosen because it was worthy.

"You guys won on the merits of the site," Oliver said. "There were no politics involved."

Oliver said the plant is moving along "very nicely" from a design standpoint, and the company is currently working on procuring the 420-acre land site.

Though the plant hasn't been approved by the Department of Energy, Gilchrist said that the funding is there to get the land purchased.

In the event the FutureGen project was not approved, Oliver

THE COMPETITION:

- In March 2006, seven states submitted 12 locations as possible sites for FutureGen.
- A committee narrowed the candidates down to Mattoon; Tuscola; Heart of Brazos, Texas; and Odessa, Texas.
- •The four sites were evaluated to see which could host FutureGen with the least environmental impact.
- Mattoon was chosen Dec. 18.
 Source: wwwfuturegenalliance.org

said that the land would still be a good investment.

He estimated its value at \$7,000 per acre.

The plant would create more than 1,000 new construction jobs once building commences.

Gilchrist said FutureGen would look to local business to help supply them with resources such as copiers, fencing, and laborers.

"We don't want to go much further than we have to get anything," Gilchrist said.

FutureGen hopes to set up an office in Mattoon to handle such negotiations.

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ENTERTAINMENT | A DAILY LOOK

Judge drops felony count in Thurman stalking case

The Associated Press

NEW YORK — A judge threw out a felony charge against a former mental patient accused of stalking Uma Thurman on Wednesday, leaving him to face two misdemeanor counts at a trial that would likely require the "Pulp Fiction" star to tes-

The basis for the coercion charge was an e-mail that Jack Jordan sent to Thurman, saying he would kill himself if he saw her with another man. Justice Gregory Carro agreed with the defense that the threat was unlikely to have any effect on Thur-

The judge set Feb. 5 as a tentative trial date.

Defense lawyer George Vomvolakis said that if the case goes to trial, prosecutors would have to call the 37-year-old Thurman to testify that she feared for her life because Jordan repeatedly tried to contact her.

Jordan, 36, was arrested last year on charges of stalking Thurman for two years, including trying to get into her trailer on a Manhattan movie set and sending her and her family members numerous e-mails. He has been free on \$10,000 bail.

Kidman expecting child

LOS ANGELES - Nicole Kidman and Keith Urban are expecting their first child together.

The news was announced Monday by Kidman's publicist, Catherine Olim. It was also posted on Urban's Web site.

"The couple are thrilled," Olim

She was due to start filming for Stephen Daldry's post-World War II drama, "The Reader," later this month, but her Australian publicist, Wendy Day, said she understands Kidman has withdrawn from the movie because of her pregnancy.

Kidman has two children, Isa-

bella, 14, and Connor, 12, from her marriage to Tom Cruise. They divorced in 2001.

Letterman shaves beard

NEW YORK — David Letterman had the bushy beard he grew while off the air during the strike by the Writers Guild of America shaved Monday on his "Late Show."

One barber buzzed the beard with an electric razor; the next one lathered him up and finished the job with a straight razor.

"We have to say goodbye to an old friend tonight, and I'm just sick about it," Letterman said.

He said he was "being pressured" to shave, although he wouldn't say by whom. Not shaving added 15 minutes to his day that he could use to goof off, he said.

He had fun with newspaper photos and cartoons about his beard, including one in which a couple sat at home watching his show.

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Photo of the day: New Year crunches



KARLA BROWNING | THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

Students work out in the aerobic room, trying to keep their New Year's resolutions of getting in shape, during the advanced abs class Wednesday evening in the Student Recreation Center. Lisa Vitale, a sophomore special education major and advanced abs instructor, said that classes have doubled since the start of the new year.

WHAT THE ... | WEIRD, UNEXPECTED, BIZARRE NEWS

Man makes move into Ikea to escape cockroaches

The Associated Press

PARAMUS, N.J. - When Mark Malkoff thought about where he could stay while his New York City apartment was being fumigated for cockroaches, he quickly ruled out friends' places (too small) and hotels (too expensive).

Instead, the comedian and filmmaker decided to move into an Ikea store in suburban New Jersey, where on Monday he unloaded two suitcases into a spacious bedroom at the store.

At night when the store is closed, he says he'll play laser tag with security guards and even plans to host a housewarming party.

"The fact that Ikea is letting me do this is mindboggling," said Malkoff, lounging on a bed in his new room. "There's no way I'm going back. I love this way

Malkoff, who works for Comedy Central's "The Colbert Report" as a ticket handler, is allowed to stay

until Ikea closes at about midnight on Saturday; the store, famous for its low-cost do-it-yourself furniture, is closed on Sundays. Malkoff, 31, is known for his 2007 video "171 Starbucks" which documents his visits to all of the coffee chain's Manhattan stores in a single day.

Deputy store manager Julie Mott said Malkoff contacted the store about three weeks ago and presented a proposal to move in.

We thought it would be a lot of fun and interesting," Mott said.

He is being followed by a camera crew documenting his stay for a video, which will be shown on his Web site, http://www.marklivesinikea.com.

But despite the hospitality, Malkoff did find a few problems: The sinks don't work, and neither does the toilet, refrigerator, flat-screen television or the washer

He must shower in the staff locker room and will have access to the staff cafeteria to cook his own meals, if he chooses, Mott said.







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Student traffic increases police work

Heavy traffic, parking on Fourth Street among complaints

By Cathy Bayer

Police and Courts Reporter

Mark Jenkins is no stranger to battling the harsh elements while waiting in long lines of anxious students at Textbook Rental.

The Charleston interim police chief is working toward his Master's Degree in public administration. After returning his four books for the six credit hours last semester, Textbook Rental has caused problems in his job, too.

Throughout Dec. 9-18, the Charleston Police Department issued 88 non-moving violations. Several of those citations were in the 1500 block of Fourth Street — near Textbook Rental.

The previous week, CPD's ticket count was only 10.

"Textbook Rental couldn't be in a worse location," Jenkins said.

When students park on both sides of Fourth Street, it's nearly impossible for emergency vehicles to pass through, he said.

The city cracked down in the fall by posting signs and warning students about parking on Fourth

"It's always been a problem," Jenkins said. "Lincoln Avenue is especially dangerous."

Police have warned that vehicles will be ticketed and possibly towed if left unattended on Fourth Street, and it seems the signs and tickets are helping.

Friday and during the weekend, Jenkins said the department didn't have any issues with parking.

This week, CPD issued 18 parking tickets, although he didn't know if those were issued near Textbook

Students increase collisions

Accidents also happen more often when students come back to town, and it's not always from wintry weather conditions.



ROBBIE WROBLEWSKI | THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

An Eastern police officer places a ticket on a vehicle during the first week of classes.

"Without a doubt, our activity goes up when kids are here," he said.

Charleston residents become used to fewer cars and less traffic when students are home on break, Jenkins said. The weekend students return, accidents usually increase, he said, although he hasn't noticed an increase so far.

Increased highway activity increases patrol

Extra police officers don't frequent Interstate 57 just because they know students are on their way back from break. However, they show up because of the increased traffic.

When there is a high volume of traffic, officers from the Illinois State Police Department will be directed toward that area, said Sgt. Bill Emery, safety education officer for the Illinois State Police District 10 in Pesotum. State police patrol high-

UPD NOTICE

Please do not leave unattended vehicles parked on 4th Street. Unattended vehicles on 4th Street, by City Code, will be ticketed and/or towed by the Charleston Police Department. You may, however, leave attended vehicles parked on East side of 4th Street while returning textbooks (through Friday). Please do not block driveways or handicapped parking spaces.

-Source: University Police Department

ways, country roads and towns – wherever necessary. More students on the road specifically don't alert police, but more traffic does, Emery said.

Campus cops handle more of the same

University Police don't notice much of a difference between the first week and the rest of the semester said University Police Department officer Art Mitchell.

UPD doesn't ticket student lots during the first week of school, Mitchell said, unless the car is illegally parked. That includes parking in a handicapped parking space or blocking a driveway.

"We're pretty much the same 24/7, 365," Mitchell said.

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CAMPUS | STUDENT GOVERNMENT

Former AB member applies for Senate seat

After resigning, Darby applies for position in Student Government

By Rick Kambic

Student Government Reporter

Despite losing the Dec. 7 runoff election to Sarah Shaw, Keith Darby has officially submitted his application for appointment to the Student Senate in the wake of his resignation from the Apportionment Board.

His resignation inadvertently avoided a potential conflict of interest, which is stated in the AB bylaws. If he had won election, or if he becomes appointed to the senate, he would have been making financial allocation decisions pertaining to the senate while being a beneficiary of those allocations.

"I was very surprised that he resigned and is now running for appointment to student government, just from the fact that his letter said he wouldn't have enough time for the Apportionment Board

STUDENT SENATE APPOINTMENT

- Nine senators can be appointed.
- Application deadline is Wednesday at 4 p.m.
- Interviews will be scheduled upon submission of applications
- New senators will be sworn in during the Jan. 23 meeting.
- Contact Speaker of the Senate Megan Ogulnick at meogulnick@eiu.edu for further information.

this semester," said Leah Pietraszewski, chairwoman of AB. "As someone who sits on student government as well, (I know) that student government takes up more time than Apportionment Board would and I'm shocked at his decision considering his reason."

As the senate's vice president for Business Affairs, it's Pietraszewski's responsibility to chair AB and contribute without a vote.

However, AB Adviser Ted Hart said Darby was not in conflict, yet, and no action would have been taken until a senator position was awarded.

Darby plans to participate with the senate by becoming a non-voting member of a committee even if he is not appointed to the senate.

He submitted the application on Tuesday and Speaker of the senate Megan Ogulnick confirmed receiving it, and that she is adding him to the list of interviewees to meet with.

Although Hart has not been informed of Darby's resignation, the letter was given to Pietraszewski before the Dec. 7 runoff election.

"Keith has been on the Apportionment Board for a couple of years and he's a very (important) part who brings experience," Hart said. "We have several experienced Apportionment Board members and his experience will be missed."

Now applying for appointment to the senate for the fourth time in two years, Darby said he's always had an aspiration to be a senator during his nearly two years on AB.

"When I was running for appointment, I always notified the chair(person) that I would be resigning if I were appointed," Darby said.

"It was understood that if he did win senate, that he would unfortunately resign from AB," Pietraszewski said. "He is very familiar with the bylaws."

AB is consists of 15 members, in which eight students and three appointed faculty members vote. There are four ex-officio non-voting members as well, some of whom are from the Student Senate.

As chairwoman, Pietraszewski will now attempt to replace Darby before AB's first meeting on Thursday and was accepting applications until Wednesday.

Ogulnick said she will decide who to appoint for senate by Thursday, and the appointed senators will be sworn in during the Jan. 23 meeting.

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CAMPUS BRIEFS

Faculty workshop to help prepare portfolios

A faculty portfolio workshop is scheduled for 7 p.m. today in the Effingham Room of the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union.

The workshop will be conducted by Jeff Cross, associate vice president for academic affairs, and Charles Delman, mathematics professor and president of Eastern's chapter of the University Professionals of Illinois faculty union.

It is designed to provide faculty with information on preparing their portfolios for promotion, upcoming retention and tenure review.

Guitar duo coming to perform on campus

Guitarists Fareed Haque and Goran Ivanovic will perform Sunday, Jan. 20 at 3 p.m. for the 2007-2008 Tarble Arts Center Chamber Music Series.

The series is co-sponsored by the Music Department.

Haque switches between jazz and classical guitar and Ivanovic is a jazz guitarist who combines Eastern European folk tunes with jazz-influenced compositions.

Admission is \$10 for students, \$12 for Tarble members and seniors, and \$15 for general public. The event is free to Eastern music students.

For more information call 581-2787 or email tarble@eiu.edu. Tarble is located on Ninth Street at Cleveland Avenue.

Passport Fair coming soon to Eastern

The Passport Fair and usps.com Day is coming to Charleston on Jan. 24.

Small business specialist Gary Cerceo will be at the Charleston VFW Post 1592, located at 1821 20th St., to help people with tools that are available at usps.com.

Also, postal employees will be there to help people in obtaining passports.

People who want to apply are required to bring a certified copy of their birth certificate and a picture identification. They must also have a check or money order for payment of required fees.

Passport photos for those needing them at a cost of \$15 for six wallet pictures will be available.

For questions or more info, contact Butch Hackett, Charleston postmaster, at (217) 348-1112.

 Compiled by Kristina Peters and Matt Daniels

ON CAMPUS

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RHA Meeting Time | 5 p.m. Location | Thomas Hall Lobby More info | 581-5624

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A MEMORABLE 3 HOURS

Eastern Washington U. - Saturday night, the top Republican and Democratic candidates participated in a lively political debate that should be marked and remembered. I

t was both parties in one night, in a New Hampshire debate three days before the state's primary.

The Republican debate was held first with six candidates, and was followed minutes afterward by the Democratic debate in which only four candidates participated.

A moment that is now special in American history took place between the debates: both the Republican and Democratic candidates shared the stage for a few moments, and exchanged greetings in a moment of unity.

Shortly after the Republican debate was over, the four Democrats, Hillary Clinton, Barack Obama, John Edwards and Bill Richardson, were invited onto the stage for a short, polite face-to-face meeting with the Republicans.

It was a brilliant slice of American culture. In a world of politics that is too often like a battlefield, both of America's major parties were able to greet each other and exchange kind, if brief, words in front of the nation.

The short meeting of the two parties was interesting and entertaining, as well as exciting and calming. Seeing the opposing candidates come together live on TV was an intense event, but it was also calming to be reassured that America is still unified as one country.

Russel Stahlke The Easterner

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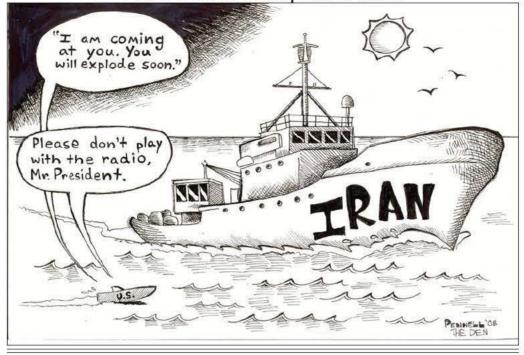
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STAFF EDITORIAL

No excuses for elected officials

↑ he Student Senate failed to hold its first meeting of the semester yesterday for reasons that are unjustifiable.

The officials in our student government were elected last semester and should have been well prepared for the first meeting of the semester. Now, the student senate is one week

They have only 15 weeks left to evoke a change, enforce policy or make a difference. The first meeting of the semester is reserved for appointing a chairperson to every committee, which will now be pushed to next week.

Here are the reasons no meeting was held last Wednesday: Speaker of the Senate Megan Ogulnick told The Daily Eastern News' student government reporter Rick Kambic that the bylaws required an agenda to be done 48 hours before a meeting takes place. That means the agenda would have to have been finished by Monday or by the end of last semester.

There is no reason that an agenda could not have been written between the end of last semester and the beginning of this semester. Student senate members had nearly three weeks to drum up an agenda.

OUR VIEW

• Situation: The Student Senate did not hold its first meeting of the semester yesterday.

· Stance: Senate members should have easily been able to prevent the circumstances that prevented them from holding a meeting.

Here's another reason the elected officials were unable to meet: according to Ogulnick, they needed to get settled into school after the long winter break. Again, the explanation is

Ogulnick also said senate members had schedule conflicts that would be worked out next

The scheduling conflicts could have been dodged if all of the senate members submitted their schedules before the end of last semester and the problem could have been averted beforehand.

This is not a positive way to start a new semester. Students need to know that the senate members they elected are working for them, even if that means senate members have to work a little bit before break.

The show (and strike) goes on

 ★he Writers Guild of America has been on strike against the Alliance of Motion Picture and Television Producers (AMPTP) since Nov. 5

For the last nine weeks, 12,000 film, television and radio writers have fought for a fairer contract, which would give a larger cut of DVD and Internet-broadcast sales to the writers.

As 2008 emerged with no end to the strike in sight, many late-night talk show hosts have decided to make a comeback, with or without their writers.

While this presents an interesting spin on latenight comedy shows that heavily rely on their writers, it also spars the strikers.

According to the Agence France Presse, the last strike of this nature, where no contract could be drawn to make amends, was in 1988 and lasted 22 weeks, costing the entertainment industry approximately \$500 million.

The strike today will halt profits in the entertainment business, which a source from the AFP estimates this strike will last several more months and cost about \$1 billion if it persists.

So just how horrible are the demands of the writers that the entertainment industry is willing to take a \$1 billion hit?

The writers are striking for a noble cause. They are striking against corporate greed and for a larger cut of new media sales and DVD sales, to which they have every right.

The writers are striking in order to raise the cut of these profits by five to eight cents per sale.

The AMPTP feels this will cost too much money, and therefore, the industry will continue

However, the show must go on, as many talk show hosts have made a risky comeback without

OUR VIEW

- Situation: Despite the current Writers Guild of America strike, late-night talk shows are coming back on the air.
- Stance: With the shows coming back on the air, it will take longer for the Alliance of Motion Picture and Television Producers to agree on a fair contract and end the strike.

the backbones of their shows: the writers. By coming back on the air with no writers to speak of, the strike may be prolonged.

The AMPTP industry is profiting again and thus negotiations for the strike may be put on the backburner.

Making the 2008 writer-less comeback is starting to become a trend. Late-night comedy talk shows like "The Tonight Show with Jay Leno," "Late Night with Conan O'Brien," "Daily Show with John Stewart" and "The Colbert Report" have made stirring comebacks.

And hosts like Jay Leno lent support to the strikers in the beginning. But now his show is back on the air, accumulating some kind of profit for the AMPTP, thus stifling any urgent need to make an agreement with the writers on strike.

That means Americans will be entertained slightly less by the shows that used to be clever before the writers strike.

The ratings for these writer-less shows will probably suffer, too.

The late night talk show hosts who have made a bold comeback are indefinitely pushing back any signs of an end to the writer's strike.

The only way the industry suffers is if the writers demands aren't met and this strike isn't



ANTHONY HESSELDENZ Living with regret is a pain

Living with regrets is a pain. And yet, we all do it. We've all made choices that we decide later weren't good ones.

And then we simply have to deal with

However, you probably know people who claim to have no regrets at all.

While they may mean what they say, the truth is that they have still made bad decisions, just like the rest of us.

What may be different about these people is that they've learned to forgive and forget.

They do not allow regret to hold them back or weigh them down, and in that sense, they really are free from regret.

I pride myself on being logical. But the decisions I have the most regret about are the major choices that I made ratio-

Take, for example, college. When I first chose a major, I picked a subject that I was good at and would get me a high-

And though I spent more than 10 years in that career, I found that I was not content. I eventually became so frustrated that I did something irrational - I quit with no plan on what to do next.

That decision was probably based on my emotions, but the ones that followed were definitely instinctive.

I decided to go back to college and study subjects that had no direct relevance to my current life; they simply appeal to me.

And I've never enjoyed college so much in my life.

Since then, other aspects of my life have come together as well; more than likely due to the fact that I am happy with what I'm doing.

So, what does this have to do with anything? Even though I'm talking about regret, which is something that comes after a decision is made, I can actually use this concept to help make better decisions

I'm not talking about learning from my mistakes; sometimes that takes a while and regret doesn't necessarily have anything to do with it.

I'm talking about the decisions that require a choice between following your instincts or your reasoning.

In general, these choices are the ones that have consequences for the rest of your life. In these cases, I have found that instinct is often the best way to go.

With little effort, you can rationalize any choice you want, but your instincts will most often lead you right.

At least, if you're being honest with yourself and not simply rationalizing that your desires and your instincts agree.

Keep in mind that there is a difference between your instincts and your desires. I'm not suggesting you go out and do whatever comes to mind.

That line of thinking is simply your rational mind twisting what I'm saying for your own purpose.

My point is that our instincts tell us we're about to make a bad decision and it is our rationality that allows us to override such an impulse.

We spend most of our adolescence trying to learn to be adults.

We spend much of our adult years trying to make good, practical decisions.

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EWS 5

Working the books a fun job for some

Monday, not Sunday, proved busiest day for rental office

By Sara Cuadrado

University Reporter

Long lines, long hours and uncooperative weather couldn't stop the textbook rental workers from getting their job done.

Textbook Rental opened on Thursday Jan. 3, but barely had any customers until Sunday, according to Amy Jones, supervisor at Textbook Rental.

Brothers and Charleston residents Anthony and Ian Ippolito have worked since Friday.

Ian, a freshman at Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville, has worked at Textbook Rental for a year.

He said the past couple days have been crazy with nonstop work.

Working long hours, from 7:30 a.m. to 7 p.m. with two breaks and a half hour lunch, Ian said he enjoys the downtime when they are not too busy.

Anthony, a junior at Southern Illinois University at Carbondale, has worked at Textbook Rental for three years. He said Monday was extremely busy for the workers.

"The whole place was packed,"

Anthony said.

Mallory Ahrens, a sophomore elementary education major, missed Monday's rush, but said Tuesday was busy.

Even though Tuesday was her first day working at Textbook Rental, she hasn't had any problems.

"Someone showed me what to do, and I caught on pretty easily," Ahrens said.

She said the setup is nice and easy to follow, it is just finding the numbers that match the books.

Ahrens said she likes the job because it works around her class schedule and since it's on campus, she can walk to work.

Handing out books is not the workers' only responsibility. According to Anthony, the staff has to make sure the shelves are stocked in the morning, the counters are clean at night, and bring books from the basement upstairs during the day to keep the shelves stocked.

The staff also agreed that there have been few problems and complaints in the past week.

Ian said some students might complain if a book looks used because they are afraid they will be charged. His brother said he had heard different complaints.

"People say the process is ineffective, but I think it works fine," Anthony said.



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Emily Schweizer, a junior hospitality major, helps a fellow student check out textbooks for the semester.

Eilidh Hall, a junior elementary education major, agreed with Anthony

Even though workers said Monday was the busiest day, Hall said she went right before it closed, and it only took 20 minutes to get her books.

Hall said the worker at the door made sure everyone was moving in

as far as possible to get as many people through the door as they could, to escape the cold wind outside.

"The people inside worked fast to get everyone their books and out of the building," she said.

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» Grads

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"We have always remained in that range," Augustine said. "That seems like a totally reasonable range to me, and I think we will be able to function within that range."

Graduate assistants taught 1.8 percent of classes in the fall semester.

The art, communication studies, English, mathematics, chemistry, counseling and student development, physical education and biology departments all use graduate assistants to teach class.

Augustine said the Graduate School would make sure graduate assistants being used for supervised instruction does not exceed 3 percent. He added he plans to monitor that through his annual report, which is composed at the end of each spring semester.

The annual report collects data

on how graduate students are being used in the areas of instruction, research and service.

Augustine then gives the report

Augustine then gives the report to Blair Lord, provost and vice president for academic affairs.

Lord said the percentage of sections taught by graduate assistants is how the university knows how many Eastern classes graduate assistants are teaching.

He added he also believes the 3 percent lock was the appropriate figure.

"It has not exceeded this percentage in 30-plus years that (graduate teaching assistants) have been involved in instruction," Lord said. "There is no expectation that it will change in the foreseeable future."

Augustine said the only time there is an increase in supervised instruction is when a program changes its focus. He added the supervised instruction percent does not fluctuate often.

Augustine said the statement itself is an annual definition of how graduate assistants are being used on campus. The statement was last reviewed three to five years ago.

The Council on Graduate Studies made no significant changes to the actual statement when it was approved in September, he said.

Instructional assistance is also a part of the instruction section of the statement, and the 3 percent lock does not apply to that area.

Instructional assistance is when a

graduate assistant helps a professor in terms of grading or in the classroom, but does not actually teach a part of the class.

The biology department recently implemented the use of graduate assistants for supervised instruction last semester, and the move has drawn criticism from many faculty and students. They argued the change was not in keeping with Eastern's character.

"We are not changing from the kind of institution we have always been," Lord said. "The notion that there is a change afoot is simply incorrect. We are not going down the road of a U of I or any other research-extensive institution."

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» FutureGen

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Oliver said the plant would bring new research and development to Mattoon, encouraging more individuals to attend college and be well suited for employment.

Gilchrist said the plant has generated, and will continue to generate, interest in the city.

"The world knows about Mattoon, Illinois, that's for sure," Gilchrist said.

Gilchrist said the project has the potential to serve as an example, and prove that it is possible to produce near zero carbon dioxide emissions.

"This project represents the chance to do something no one has ever done, and that's protect the future for our children," Gilchrist said.

As the enticement package for FutureGen included a commitment by Coles Together to cover \$3 million in early expenses, the group is currently looking to the community for continued support.

Steve Grissom, board chairman at Coles Together, publicly acknowledged Max Cougill and Gene Baur, founding members of the organization who each pledged \$50,000 to the FutureGen project.

Cougill called his contribution "an investment in the future generation."

FutureGen will use coal gasification, which converts coal into hydrogen and carbon dioxide. Using the hydrogen, the turbine will be powered, thus creating electricity. A second turbine would create electricity from the steam from the first turbine.

The plant will capture and store 90 percent of the carbon dioxide emissions in the deep geological reservoirs more than one mile underground in the Mt. Simon Sandstone reservoir.

Creating 175 megawatts of electricity, the plant will be able to provide electricity to 150,000 homes.

The new plant is to be located in the northwest part of Mattoon at the intersection of Dole Road and Illinois Route 121 and will cost an estimated \$1.5 billion to build.

Construction is scheduled to begin in 2009, with the plant starting operations at the end of 2012.

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LOCAL I WEATHER

Unseasonably warm weather poses concerns

By Ashley Mefford

Senior Campus Reporter

Kevin Elliott, an Eastern alum who graduated with a degree in geography in Dec. 2006, can remember that one day he felt a drastic change in the weather.

It was when he experienced "a blast of winter," as he put it.

That day was a day in the early 60s. This happened last spring when he was working at the Wal-Mart garden center putting out

The blast of winter and increased temperature was part of global warming - an ongoing concern.

In that one-day alone, the weather had increased over 20 degrees. Elliot went from wearing a heavy coat and goggles one day to wearing a light windbreaker the next.

"Temperatures have been climbing regularly since the industrial revolution," said Kathy Bower of the geology/geography department. "Fossils are an impact from the Industrial Revolution."

While not every scientist will give the exact answer on the problem, there are some factors of the problem that most scientists will agree on, like the ozone layer.

The dwindling ozone layer is allowing

more solar radiation to reach the surface of the Earth," said Cameron Craig, instructor/ climatologist who also runs the EIU WeatherCenter from the department of geology/ geography.

Some of the problematic factors for the warmer weather are related to rapid increase of greenhouse gases, such as: carbon dioxide, methane, chlorofluorocarbons and nitrous oxide from burning fossil fuels, said Belayet Khan of the geology/geography department. More of the greenhouse gases contribute to the greenhouse effect.

There has been a trend of carbon dioxide in recent years, which is increasing temperatures," said Kathy Bower of the geology/geography department.

Another cause of the warmer weather has to do with the sun.

"The notion that the sun is in a changed state and the sun has been the strongest over the past decades, contributing to increased global temperature," Khan said.

A number of new hazards are not just affecting humans. If the weather has been warmer for a prolonged amount of time, damage will likely be done, Khan said.

"Severity of the hazards will likely depend on how extreme the temperature is and how persistent that extreme is as well," Khan

The affects of the warmer weather usually last a while.

"It can certainly affect our everyday life by adversely impacting agricultural production, water shortage, transportation, and energy consumption," Khan said. "Hazardous effects of extreme temperatures may also incorporate many facets of our environment such as epidemics, diseases, heat strokes, resurgence of deadly diseases."

The hazardous effects are most likely not going to be the same for different locations because not every location will have had the same exact weather increase.

"While some locations will see a drastic warming, others will have a slow warming,'

Even if everyone started to "go green," not much could be done to reverse the damage that has already been wrought, Craig

"When we reduce our harmful influence, we can reduce the effects but not reverse them. On the other hand, if we continue on this path as we have in the past, the effects could be catastrophic," Craig said.

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STATE I WEATHER

ILLINOIS RIVERS FLOOD BANKS, KILLING ONE

The Associated Press

Rescue workers, boats and sandbags were rushed to towns hit by flooding that has killed one person and forced hundreds from their homes in east-central Illinois — the latest twist in a week of turbulent weather that included a rare January tornado.

About 200 Iroquois County residents left their homes when the Iroquois River spilled its banks.

In Pontiac, flooding drove about 25 people from

The city used school buses to evacuate flooded houses and some residents took shelter in the city's recreational center while they waited for the river to

At least one person died in flooding caused by heavy rainfall earlier in the week.

The Ford County coroner said Bradley Swan, 24, of Paxton, died Tuesday morning at a Gibson City

Paxton, about 25 miles north of Champaign, received more than 3.5 inches of rain earlier in the

The state sent 10,000 sandbags to Mahomet in Champaign County, where the Sangamon River was overflowing its banks.

Gov. Rod Blagojevich directed the Illinois Emergency Management Agency to work with local authorities elsewhere to provide help where it was







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POOR VISIBILITY CAUSES CRASH; FOUR PEOPLE KILLED

The Associated Press

LAKELAND, Fla. - About 70 vehicles crashed on an interstate blanketed by fog and smoke from a brush fire early Wednesday, killing four people, authorities said.

Nearly 15 miles of Interstate 4 between Tampa and Orlando was closed by several crashes, including the

Aerial footage in the early morning showed the soupy mix of fog and smoke covering the landscape for miles and giving the sky an eerie golden col-

The poor visibility forced rescuers to walk along the closed interstate checking individual vehicles for injured motorists, Florida Highway Patrol Trooper Larry Coggins said. The con-

ditions cleared in late morning, showing mangled, charred trucks and cars pinned underneath some tractor-trailers.

Workers were still trying to rescue one man pinned beneath an overturned truck. There is no estimate on when I-4, the main east-west artery for central Florida, will reopen.



In this aerial view, a pileup of about 50 cars blocks at least 15 miles of Interstate 4 between Tampa and Orlando on Wednesday. The cars crashed on a highway blanketed by fog and smoke.

Coggins said 38 people were injured, five seri-

Tractor-trailers overturned on the roadway, including a tanker. At least six of them burned

"Everything came to a halt," Robert Ellison, who was driving east on the highway about 6 a.m., told The Tampa Tribune and WFLA-TV. "You can't see your hand in front of your face."

One of the first people involved in the accident was a sheriff's deputy, Polk County Sheriff Grady Judd said.

The deputy told Judd that conditions on the road worsened suddenly.

"It was clear, it was a little foggy, then it was total darkness, Judd recounted the deputy saying.

The sheriff said the deputy was shaken up, but helped move people to safety as vehicles continued to crash - the sounds of metal grinding and gnashing in the dark-

The Florida Highway Patrol is investigating the crash and the role of smoke from the fire, which started as a con-

trolled burn and grew out of control. The fog was a contributing factor to the crashes, Coggins said, but he downplayed the smoke as a cause, saying deputies who were patrolling the

area earlier Wednesday morning reported smoke was not an issue.

POLITICS | 2008 ELECTION

Richardson drops out of presidential race

The Associated Press

MERRIMACK, N.H. — New Mexico Gov. Bill Richardson ended his campaign for the presidency Wednesday after twin fourth-place finishes that showed his impressive credentials could not compete with his rivals' star power.

Richardson planned to announce the decision Thursday, according to two people close to the governor with knowledge of the decision. They spoke on a condition of anonymity in advance of the governor's announcement.

The Richardson campaign would not comment on the governor's decision, reached after a meeting with his top advisers Wednesday in New

Richardson had one of the most wide-ranging resumes of any candidate ever to run for the presidency, bringing experience from his time in Congress, President Clinton's Cabinet, in the New Mexico statehouse as well as his unique role as a freelance diplomat. As a Hispanic, he added to the unprecedented diversity in the Democratic field that also included a black and a woman.

But Hillary Rodham Clinton and Barack Obama dominated the spotlight in the campaign, and Richardson was never able to become a toptier contender. He accused his rivals of failing to commit to bring troops home from Iraq soon enough.

He portrayed his campaign as a job application for president, and ran clever ads that showed a bored interviewer unimpressed with his dazzling

The commercials helped fuel his move to double-digit support in some early state polls, and advisers argued he was poised to move past former vice presidential nominee John Edwards for the role of third-place challenger.

But he was not able to build the momentum and came in a distant fourth place in Iowa and New Hampshire. Richardson didn't get quite 5 percent in the New Hampshire primary Tuesday and came in with just 2 percent in the Iowa caucus last week.

NATION BRIEFS

Bodies of four youths found in D.C. home

WASHINGTON - The decomposing bodies of four young people were found Wednesday by U.S. marshals delivering an eviction notice, and a woman who answered the door was taken into custody for questioning.

Investigators were trying to determine whether the woman was related to the four victims, who had been dead at least two weeks, authorities said.

Mayor Adrian Fenty said the condition of the bodies made it difficult to identify them.

Ex-CIA official won't testify about tapes

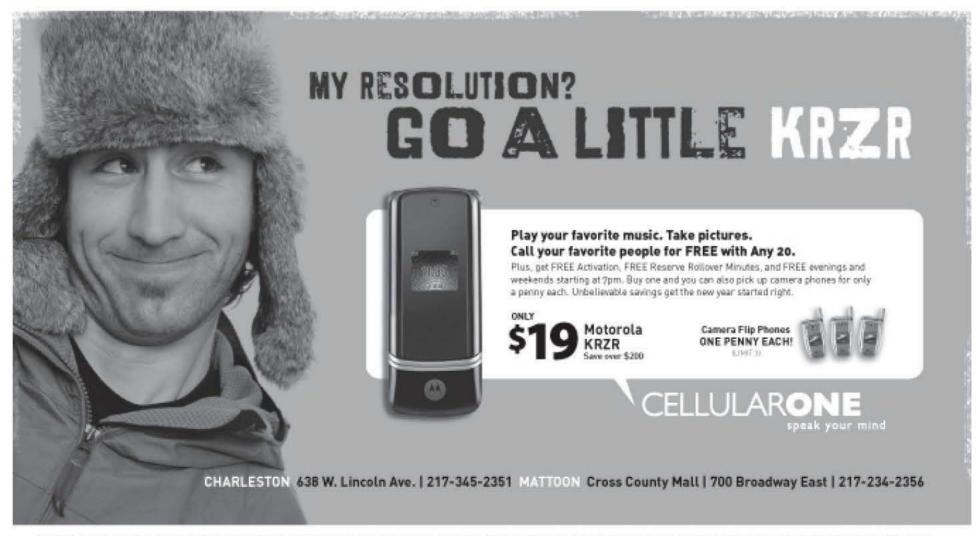
WASHINGTON — Jose Rodriguez, the former head of the CIA's National Clandestine Service, won't testify before a House Intelligence Committee on Jan. 16 without a promise of immunity, two people close to the tapes inquiry said Wednesday.

Rodriguez ordered that the tapes, which show harsh CIA interrogation of two al-Qaida suspects, be destroyed in 2005. Rodriguez is scheduled to testify before the House Intelligence Committee on Jan. 16.

More troops set to depart for Afghanistan

WASHINGTON — The Pentagon is preparing to send at least 3,000 Marines to Afghanistan in April to bolster efforts to hold off another expected Taliban offensive in the spring, military officials said Wednesday.

The move represents a shift in Pentagon thinking that has been slowly developing after months of repeated insistence that the U.S. was not inclined to fill the need for as many as 7,500 more troops that commanders have asked for there.



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SPORTS

Record

FROM PAGE 12

Hudson is shooting 47 percent overall from the field

"He was always a great scorer," Campbell said, "but not always a great shooter. Sitting out made him hungrier."

Hudson is not the only UT-Martin player Eastern will have to try to contain tonight.

Senior forward Gerald Robinson and freshman guard Marquis Weddle both average more than 15 ppg.

When you bring in that many weapons, it gives you a little wider margin for error because you score so much," Miller said.

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GAME 16 UT-MARTIN (7-9, 3-3 OVC) AT EASTERN (2-13, 1-6)

When: Tonight at 7:15 Where: Lantz Arena UTM head coach: Bret Campbell (93-150 in ninth season at UT-Mar tin and ninth overall)

Eastern head coach: Mike Mill er (18-54 in third season at Eastern; 105-133 in ninth year overall) Series history: Eastern leads 13-11; Eastern won the last meeting, 74-59, on Feb. 10, 2007. On air:

TV: WEIU TV with Mike Bradd (playby-play) and Jack Ashmore (analyst) Radio: WEIU 88.9 FM - Bradd and Ashmore

Richey

FROM PAGE 12

Robinson is the second Ohio Valley Conference Freshman of the Year to leave the team.

George Tandy was the first.

The forward from Indianapolis won the 2004-2005 OVC Freshman of the Year award following a season in which he started 15-of-28 games and averaged 6.4 points and 5.1 rebounds per game.

Tandy was a Rick Samu-

els recruit. When Eastern did not renew Samuels' contract following the 2004-2005 season, Tandy expressed interest in transferring. It didn't happen that year, but it did one year later. Tandy, along with four other players, left after Eastern posted a 6-21 record in Mike Miller's first year as head coach.

The only former OVC Freshman of the Year left on Eastern's roster is Martin – a player Eastern just can't

If Martin plays against the Skyhawks on Thursday, Eastern's

chances to win drastically improve. He gets good dribble penetration and can either take the ball to the basket or pull up short for a 15foot jump shot, and he can stretch defenses. Martin's offensive output either makes or breaks Eastern.

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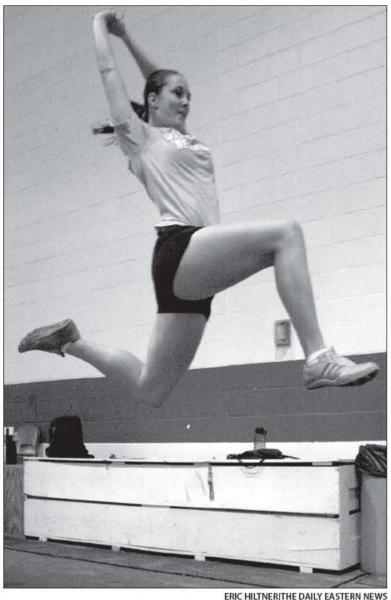
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WOMEN'S INDOOR TRACK | NOTEBOOK

Running way ahead of schedule



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Junior Jenna Uhe practices her long jump during practice Tuesday afternoon in the Lantz Fieldhouse.

By Dan Cusack

Sports Reporter

It's the beginning of track season, but many of the athletes on the women's indoor track team are approaching personal bests in many

Many athletes are ahead of where they were last year, said Eastern head track coach Tom Akers.

"If you compare this year to last year, we are ahead from where we were," Akers said. "It may be early in the year, but a lot of girls are close to their personal bests."

Akers said this improvement is a combination of things including the hard work by the women.

"Track training is an accumulation," Akers said. "They have shown the benefit from working hard."

Akers could not pinpoint one event improving more greatly than any other from last year, but said each event has stepped up from last

"Across the board every event has stepped it up," Akers said. "A lot has happened since our last event in December so we'll see if we can continue."

Women's team wins five events at Early Bird Invite

The women's indoor track team won six events during the Early Bird Invite Dec. 8 at Lantz Fieldhouse. The Panthers defeated Butler and Western Illinois in the event.

In the track events red-shirt sophomore hurdler Chandra Golden won

OVC FEMALE TRACK & FIELD ATHLETES OF THE WEEK

Track Athlete: Dominique Holmes, Tennessee State senior -Holmes picked up wins in the 400 meters (54.72) and the 4x400-meter relay (3:52.62) at the Ed Temple Classic.

•Co-Field Athlete: Carrie Burggraf, Austin Peay senior

-Burggraf won her second consecutive pole vault competition at the Ed Temple Classic with a vault of 11'00.00."

•Co-Field Athlete: Kathy Onwu, Tennessee State junior

-Onwu won the weight throw with a toss of 54'08.50" at the MTSU Christmas Classic.

the 60-meter hurdles with a time of 8.87 seconds, while junior sprinter Shawana Smith won the 200-meter dash with a time of 25.58 seconds.

In the field events, sophomore thrower Kandace Arnold won the shot put event with a throw of 44 feet, 10.75 inches, junior jumper Jenna Uhe won the triple jump with a jump of 39 feet, 01.59 inches, and junior Nicole Walcott won the high jump with a jump of 5 feet, 3.75 inches.

Smith said the first meet showed a lot of promise and was impressed by the performances of freshman Kasey Wilson and Golden.

"Our first meet showed a lot of potential," Smith said. "(Wilson) did good in the 200-meters and (Golden) did a great job in winning the 60-meter hurdles."

Smith said she ran a personal best in the 60-meter dash.

"I think personally I did all right," Smith said. "I ran a personal best 7.72 seconds and that's encouraging because it shows I can get down to 7 seconds."

Second shot at Indiana State at Mega Meet

The second meet of the season for both and men's and women's indoor track teams will be the Eastern mega meet Jan. 19 at Lantz Field house.

The Panthers will get another shot at Indiana State, the only team to beat them at the Early Bird Invite.

Akers said it will be good to see Indiana State again, because they match up well and are good compe-

"ISU will be back at the mega meet and that will be good," Akers said. "They are always good competition and it will let us see where we

Smith said the team is looking forward to avenging the loss from early in the season.

We are looking forward to redeeming the loss from earlier in the season," Smith said. "With the first meet there are always a lot of jitters, so this time I think we will be more relaxed."

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FOOTBALL | POSTSEASON AWARDS

Eastern players tabbed for All-American honors

Six Panthers receive honorable mention

By Scott Richey

Sports Editor

Eastern's football players received more postseason honors with the release of The Sports Network 2007 All-America team this weekend.

Six Eastern players - senior center Drew Cairo-Gross, senior tackle Anthony Rubican, senior wide receiver Micah Rucker, senior linebacker Donald Thomas, sophomore guard Chaz Millard and red-shirt freshman punter Kevin Cook - all received honorable mention nods.

Thomas, a finalist for the Buck Buchanan Award, was a first team All-OVC selection and finished the season with a team-high 91 tackles.

Eastern defensive coordinator Roc Bellantoni said Thomas played better this year than he did last year even though he had 127 tackles in the 2006 season.

"His problem was his injury,"

each unit

Bellantoni said about Thomas' lower tackling statistics.

Thomas missed one full game and parts of two others with a foot injury. Bellantoni said it would be hard to replace Thomas because of his leadership, but has multiple options to replace him.

"I'm pretty excited about Allain (Marcelin), Nick Nasti and Cory Leman and their development down the road," Bellantoni said.

Cairo-Gross, Rubican and Millard were all members of an offen-

the nation in least amount of sacks allowed. All three were also on All-OVC postseason teams with Rubican and Millard making the first team and Cairo-Gross making the second team.

The Panthers' offensive line also blocked for a 1,000-yard rusher for the fourth consecutive season. Senior running back Ademola Adeniji rushed for 1,254 yards and 15 touchdowns.

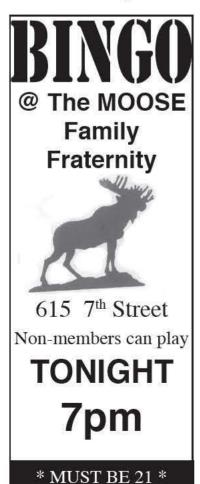
Cook was ranked fourth in the

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sive line that was in the top five in nation in punting with a 44.6yard average and was also a secondteam All-OVC selection. His punting average broke the Eastern record held by former National Football League punter Jeff Gossett.

Rucker was also a first-team All-OVC selection after catching 55 passes for 777 yards and nine touchdowns, ranking him in the top five in all three categories in the OVC.

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RACHEL GALLIGAN

Top Cat is a weekly feature that displays one of the top athletes from the past week and gives a profile of the player and moments from the sporting

VISION FROM THE SIDELINES

Junior forward plays through injury, guides team through conference play

By Kevin Murphy

Associate Sports Editor

The pain that resonated in Rachel Galligan's toe has actually paid dividends for head coach Brady Sallee's bench production.

The junior forward injured her toe in late November and had to miss five games because of the inju-

"I've never missed that much basketball," Galligan said of either high school or college basketball. "It (was) rough having to be out for that long.'

Once she came back on Dec. 19 at Morehead State, the Panthers were in the midst of a six-game winning streak. She finished with eight points in only 17 minutes that night in Morehead, Ky.

During the last three games, the Bloomington native has shown the consistent scoring prowess that made her a first-team All-Ohio Valley Conference selection last year.

Galligan has finished with 70



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Rachel Galligan, junior forward, leads the team with average rebounds per game (6.3), points (161) and average points per game (16.1) so far in this season's 10 games.

points in the last three games.

She had 27 against Murray State, 17 against Southeast Missouri and scored 26 on Monday at Austin

But Galligan doesn't even notice the toe injury now.

"I've been trying not to think

about it," she said.

Galligan said she feels fine without the protective boot on her toe and that it doesn't even hurt when someone steps on it.

Galligan said being out helped her see more of the court and what was working and what was not

The OVC preseason selection averages 16.1 points per game and 6.3 rebounds per game.

Galligan credited sophomore forward Maggie Kloak for stepping in successfully and filling her role. Kloak finished with double figures in all of the games Galligan missed. Kloak even finished with a doubledouble against Tenneseee Tech.

Kloak has taken the starting position away from Galligan, but Galligan still receives plenty of playing time.

Galligan is averaging 23.6 minutes off the bench in the five games she's played in a reserve role.

"She's been a great presence," said red-shirt sophomore Megan Edwards. "(She's) helped us a lot."

Edwards said Galligan doesn't stand around waiting for the action to happen, which is different from most post players who wait for an entrance pass into the post.

Edwards complimented on how well Galligan was finishing.

Galligan finished 10-of-14 against Austin Peay on Monday and finished 6-of-6 from the free throw line.

"Clearly, the kid's playing like one of the better players in the league," said Eastern head women's basketball coach Brady Sallee. "Her production is everything you would want out of that position. It's fun having someone playing down (in the post) playing at a very high level."

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WOMEN'S BASKETBALL | NOTEBOOK

Team gets new road warm ups

By Kevin Murphy

Associate Sports Editor

Eastern sophomore forward Maggie Kloak and the rest of the team are enjoying their new silver jumpsuits.

The team wears the silver warm ups for road games.

"It's a joke that we look like big (astronauts)," junior forward Ellen Canale said. "Putting that big flag on the moon for the first time. Yeah, we're looking pretty snazzy."

But the Panthers won't get to wear their snazzy new warm ups very often the rest of the season.

The Panthers are playing a program record number of games at home (15). The Panthers have won three straight road games this season, all in the Ohio Valley Conference.

Carpenter played in her first college game Monday

Eastern freshman guard Jerika Carpenter saw her first collegiate action of her career on Monday night.

Carpenter came into the game at Austin Peay and scored on her only

Sallee said he was impressed by her and the fact she kept working all

"She kept her head on," Sallee said. "In crunch time, she answered."

Three players on top in the **Ohio Valley Conference**

Red-shirt sophomore guard Megan Edwards is a good ball han-

Edwards is the starting point guard for the Panthers and is second in the conference in assist-to-turnover ratio (2.18).

In the weekend series against Murray State and Southeast Missouri, Edwards had 11 assists compared to just one turnover.



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Sophomore guard Megan Edwards looks past Southeast Missouri senior guard Ashley Lovelady. Edwards is ranked second in the Ohio Valley Conference in assist-to-turnover ratio with a ratio of 2.18.

"She played the same way (her freshman) year," Canale said. "She's that type of point guard. She looks to pass first. She is the point guard that you want to play with. She's a completely different player than (sophomore point guard Jessica Huffman). And they both had great advantag-

Edwards also is fourth in the conference in free throw percentage and sixth in the conference in minutes played.

Canale is also warming up in conference play from beyond the arc. She is the conference leader at 57 percent from three-point range. In conference play, Canale is 12-of-16 from three-point range and is 16-of-28 this season.

Successfully limiting their opponents post players

The Panthers have limited opposing post players in recent games.

Eastern limited Indiana State's

Laura Rudolphi to 10 points and four rebounds. The Panthers then held Loyola of Chicago's Brittany Boeke to two points, three rebounds and five fouls. Tennessee Tech's Kristina Tyler had 17 points and nine rebounds, but she also fouled out near the end of regulation against the Panthers.

Eastern Kentucky's starting post players combined for 17 points and eight rebounds, but both starting players played with nine fouls. Murray State center Angela Brown finished with 10 rebounds and seven rebounds, but also had four fouls. Southeast Missouri's Missy Whitney sat out more than 15 minutes in the first half on Saturday because of foul

The preseason league player of the year finished with 12 points and sev-

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Presence

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Fuller has filled in the role of graduated senior Andreika Jackson this season.

And last season, Fuller filled the role of Jackson in possibly the biggest game in UTM women's basketball history with a 20-point, 12-rebound performance against Murray State in the tournament semifinals.

"She leaves everything out," Tansil said. "She's hard to figure out. She's hard to stop."

The Skyhawks were close with the Racers and lost 66-65 in overtime.

"I knew what I had to do," Fuller said. "(Winning was) the only thing on my mind."

Last season, Fuller averaged 8.6 points per game and 6.6 rebounds per game. Jackson started 22-of-23 games

last season and averaged 11.5 points per game and 5.8 rebounds per

Tansil believes the inside threat of Mitchell and Fuller can help her

Tansil said Fuller's an undersized post and can get the job done.

Except for four games this season, either Fuller or Mitchell has been the leading scorer. And, except for two games, either Mitchell or Fuller was the leading Skyhawk rebounder.

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A LOOK AT WHERE TONIGHT'S **PLAYERS RANK IN OVC STATS**

UTM'S CRYSTAL FULLER

-8th in scoring (14.7) -3rd in rebounding (9.2)

Eastern's Ellen Canale

-1st in 3-point FG percentage

Eastern's Dominique Sims -3rd in 3-point FG percentage

GAME 16 TENNESSEE-MARTIN (3-12, 0-5 OVC) **AT EASTERN**

(6-8, 6-1)Location: Charleston

When: Tonight at 5 · Where: Lantz Arena

• Capacity: 5,300

 Tennessee-Martin head coach: Tara Tansil (37-64 in 4 years at Ten nessee-Martin and same overall)

• Eastern head coach: Brady Sallee (37-63 in 4 years at Eastern) · Series History: Tennessee-Martin lead 9-16; Eastern won last meet

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G	D. Sims	5-10	So	10.2
G	E. Canale	5-9	Jr.	8.7
G	M. Edwards	5-7	So.	6.7

Top Reserves

Probable Starters								
Tennessee-Martin (3-10, 0-5)								
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SCOTT RICHEY

Healthy Martin needed

Romain Martin is listed as a probable starter for Eastern's game Thursday night against Tennessee-Martin at Lantz Are-

That's the best possible news for the Panthers.

Martin, a sophomore guard, has missed the past two games for the Panthers, and his presence on the floor has been noticeably missed.

Martin not only leads the team in scoring, but he is also its offensive spark. His ability to come out early and put points on the board is something Eastern relies on.

If he's on the court and doesn't get into an offensive rhythm early, the Panthers struggle as well. When he plays poorly, so does Eastern.

Martin did not score the first 15 minutes of the Panthers' game against Tennessee Tech, and the Golden Eagles jumped out to a big lead the Panthers could not recover from.

Senior guard Julio Anthony has stepped into the role as Eastern's primary offensive weapon. He has scored 39 points in the Panthers' previous two games.

Freshman guard Tyler Laser has also become more - albeit somewhat inconsistent - of an option in Eastern's offense. Laser can be a threat from three-point range, but he needs to be more patient and not force shots with a defender in his face.

Anthony is pulling double duty for the Panthers with Martin on the bench.

In addition to scoring, he is also being asked to run the offense as the point guard. Anthony never played point guard before. Asking him to score and run the point is a lot, but he's done well so far.

Anthony is in this predicament of sorts because Eastern's point guard early in the season, Mike Robinson, was dismissed from the team in December for an inability to follow team poli-

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MEN'S BASKETBALL | EASTERN VS. TENNESSEE-MARTIN

Panthers face record setter

By Scott Richey Sports Editor

Nate Thurmond was the first National Basketball Association player to do it in 1974.

Alvin Robertson was the second 12 years later.

Then, Hakeem Olajuwon (1990) and David Robinson (1994) became the third and fourth.

But Tennessee-Martin's Lester Hudson stands alone.

Hudson's 25-point, 12-rebound, 10-assist and 10-steal performance in the Skyhawks' 116-74 win over NAIA opponent Central Baptist College Nov. 13 was the first quadrupledouble in Division I men's basketball history.

This was, however, the second quadruple-double in college basketball. UCLA's Ann Meyer had 20 points, 14 rebounds, 10 assists and 10 steals in a 1978 game against Stephen F.

The numbers are still coming for the junior transfer guard from Southwest Tennessee Community College. He is averaging 26.7 points, 7.5 rebounds, 4.0 assists and 3.6 steals per game for the Skyhawks heading into tonight's game against Eastern.

Hudson is second in the nation in scoring but leads the nation in total steals (58) and steals per game.

Eastern senior guard Julio Anthony said the defensive plan against Hudson is to start off playing man-toman, but switch to different defenses if Hudson starts the game hot.

"At some point in the game, we'll play one-and-one, our box-and-one

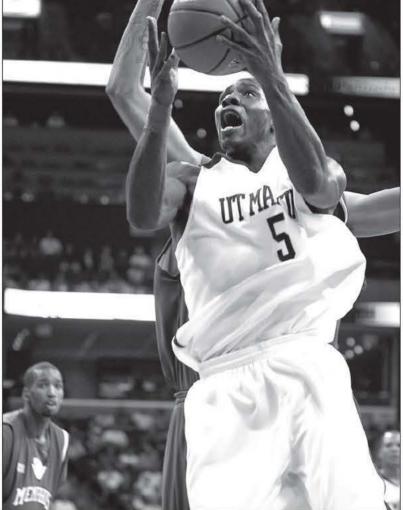


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Tennessee-Martin junior guard Lester Hudson goes up for a shot against Memphis. Hudson is second in the country in scoring with 26.7 points per said. game. Eastern plays the Skyhawks at 7:15 tonight at Lantz Arena.

(defense)," Anthony said. "We'll play said Eastern's defense will focus its tight on him."

Eastern senior forward Jake Byrne

attention on Hudson.

"At the same time," Byrne said, "a

lot of times this season we've done a good job stopping the best players and it's been some other guys that have stepped up on their team.'

Even with a scorer like Hudson to defend, Eastern head coach Mike Miller said the key to beating the Skyhawks would be to make sure his team plays well first. Miller said Eastern has been playing well the past few games, and its 73-57 loss to Austin Peay on Monday night was not a good indicator of the way the Panthers (2-13, 1-6) were playing.

Defense will be the main key to victory, though.

"You can't give up the easy (shots)," Miller said. "You're not going to stop guys like that. You just have to make sure they have to work for them."

UT-Martin head coach Bret Campbell said he knew Hudson could come in and be an asset to the team. But he didn't think Hudson would be having the statistics he's put up this year.

Hudson transferred to UT-Martin last year, but sat out the basketball season because he was not academically eligible. Campbell said Hudson's grade point average was fine, but he did not have the requisite core classes from his junior college.

Hudson spent that season in the practice gym working on his shot.

"Every time (the team) had practice, I was just shooting," Hudson

Campbell said he could see the difference in Hudson's shooting this

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WOMEN'S BASKETBALL | EASTERN VS. TENNESSEE-MARTIN

Despite post presence, UTM struggles

Fuller, Mitchell create inside play for Skyhawks

By Kevin Murphy Associate Sports Editor

Phyllisha Tennessee-Martin's Mitchell and Crystal Fuller are some of the top rebounders in the Ohio Valley Conference.

However, that hasn't translated into any OVC wins for the Skyhawks

Mitchell pulls down 9.7 rebounds a game, which is tied for first in the conference. Fuller gathers in 9.2 per game, which is third in the confer-

Mitchell and Fuller also bring a solid inside scoring presence. Fuller averages 14.7 points per game (eighth in the league) and Mitchell contributes with 11.3 ppg.

Without the two post players, the Skyhawks (3-12, 0-5 OVC) could be in a worse position than they already

Now, tonight they'll try to end a 10-game losing streak with a 5 p.m. game against Eastern.

And it all starts with this duo.

"She's a good all-around person," Fuller said of her counterpart in the post. "She can be a dominating person. Her determination... is a natural thing. She can do a little bit of everything. She's been key everywhere."

The early-season failures of the team could be considered a disappointment considering last year's suc-

Mitchell, a junior, was the spark behind Tennessee-Martin's success last season when she helped the Skyhawks finish in sixth place and made it to the OVC Tournament semifinals under fourth-year head coach Tara

Mitchell's composed on the court, but finds herself more composed on the golf course, especially in the off season, where she can relax.

"I'm better at basketball than in golf," said Mitchell, who played in high school. "It's quiet out there and you can just relax."

Mitchell is also relaxed off the court when she's not getting double teamed on the court.

"She's funny, very funny, humorous," Fuller said. "When it comes time to get down to business, she

Mitchell garnered preseason conference honors before this year.

Tennessee-Martin's struggle has been to win games on the road with a team that has athletic talent.

Mitchell and the Skyhawks finished 11-1 at home last season and are 3-1 this season.

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PHOTO SUBMITTED BY TENNESSEE-MARTIN SPORTS INFORMATION Tennessee-Martin senior forward Crystal Fuller leads the Skyhawks in scoring with 14.7 points per game. Fuller averages 9.2 rebounds per game as well. Eastern plays UT-Martin at 5 tonight at Lantz Arena.

EASTERN SPORTS SCHEDULE

Tonight vs. Tennessee-Martin 7:15 p.m. - Lantz Arena

MEN'S AND WOMEN'S SWIMMING Friday vs. Millikin 5 p.m. - Lantz Natatorium

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL Saturday vs. Eastern Kentucky 5 p.m. - Lantz Arena

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