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CITY

Eastern receives installment from state

By Shelley Holmgren
Administration Editor

The budget situation just got a little easier, but the university is not in the clear just yet.

Recently, Eastern received a major installment on appropriations from the state in the amount of approximately \$12 million, that reduces what the state owes the university for fiscal year 2010 to about \$600,000, said William Weber, vice president for

business affairs.

Prior to this, Eastern received a figure close to \$6 million on July 9 from the state, reducing the university's fiscal year 2010 budget deficit by 12 percent.

Even though the installment is more promising than before, the university is still finalizing numbers for the 2010 fiscal year.

Under legislation passed by the state, the Board of Trustees had previously approved to borrow up to \$7 million

against the expected appropriations. Because of the installment received by the state, the option of short-term borrowing is no longer being considered.

It is good news for the university to receive these appropriations, though a little later than some would have liked, he said.

For the upcoming 2011 fiscal year, the university expects general revenue funds from the state to be possibly cut by \$3.125 million.

"We will probably also be asked to

"We have an amazing task in front of us that will unfold over the next several weeks."

Michael Maurer, director of planning

hold back some of our appropriations on reserve, just hold on to it and not spend it just in case the state needs us to send it back," said Weber.

Another factor that will affect fiscal year 2011 is enrollment. The school is waiting to see how enrollment is shaping up because tuition and enrollment

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CITY

FutureGen lacks future

Obama administration sees FutureGen as old news, use of existing plant now in effect

By Allison Twaits
City Editor

Federal officials informed citizens of central Illinois on that the FutureGen 2.0 project would not be built.

Steven Chu, the U.S. Department of Energy secretary, and Sen. Dick Durbin announced that the plan to build a coal-fueled power plant would no longer be a possibility.

The plant was to be built in Mattoon, Ill., and would have brought jobs to the community and stimulated the economy.

Rep. Chapin Rose has stated his displeasure in the progress of FutureGen.

"People in Washington who have made this decision, apparently without even consulting the FutureGen 2.0 Alliance, and definitely without consulting the local community, need to come here and explain what's going on and why," said Rose in a public statement on Aug. 6.

Throughout the past four years, the budget for the project has slowly been increasing. In 2006, an estimated \$1 billion was to be spent for the construction of the plant. As of March 2009, the estimated cost had doubled to \$2 billion.

The FutureGen 2.0 is "old news," according to the Obama Administration and Durbin.

Instead, the revised plan is to use an already existing plant located in Meredosia, Ill., and use underground pipes to transfer carbon dioxide emissions from Meredosia to Mattoon, a distance of 175 miles.

The underground storage for the carbon dioxide emissions will then be used to benefit workers to become trained in cleaner coal methods for future facilities to be built in Illinois.

Many communities are confused about the decision and state officials have expressed their concern.

State Senator Dale Righter is among the many who have questioned the U.S. Departments of Energy's decision.

"...True partners, working together for an outcome beneficial for all, do not hide information from each other for months, then make decisions without consulting others," said Righter.

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CAMPUS



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Matt Corey on the saxophone accompanies Scott Erickson a senior sports management major and winner of So You Think You Can Rap Wednesday in the 7th Street Underground.

Saxophonist shares sounds

7th Street Underground rocks out to musician, Matt Corey

By Marcus Smith
Staff Reporter

An act that will soon be opening for Jay-Z stopped by campus Wednesday night to put on a show at 7th Street Underground.

Matt Corey, who has been touring as a musician for five years, put on a show last night with his recently formed band. The band is a three-piece ensemble featuring Matt Corey

on saxophone, Matt Vick on bass, and Chase Williams on drums.

The band played covers that can be heard on the pop and hip-hop charts.

They draw their inspiration from all over and record with long-established acts, such as The Ohio Players.

"We have original music, but we are not putting our music in our set till it's on the radio," said Corey, "Cause we don't want to play music you don't know yet."

Last year's open-mic winner, Renegade, opened for the band.

Once Corey and his band took the stage, Renegade was invited back to join them.

"He is bad ass, give it up for Renegade," Corey said.

"He is bad ass, give it up for Renegade."

Matt Corey, musician

At one point they opened the floor to requests, names that were thrown out were Justin Bieber, jokingly, and Michael Jackson.

The next stop for Corey and his band mates will be Atlanta where they will perform at several clubs. Then they will make a few appearances in Iowa.

"I liked the drummer a lot," said Sherry Seat, a nursing major. "I liked them both the rapper and the band."

The University Board: Unplugged series planned the event.

"We will be hosting two events a month," said Cassie Falco, the UB mainstage coordinator.

A schedule of upcoming events can be found on Eastern's website under the UB link.

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EIU weather

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what's on tap

TODAY

FRIDAY

SATURDAY

7 p.m. - Dramatic film showing

The Eastern Theatre Department invites the campus community to a screening of the Tim Robbins film "Cradle Will Rock" in the Doudna Fine Arts Center Lecture Hall. The film is presented free of charge.

The film is a drama about theatre life in the 1930s during the times of the Great Depression, the Red Scare, fascism and unions.

7 p.m. - UB presents Iron Man 2

The University Board will show the movie, "Iron Man 2" in Buzzard Auditorium.

8:30 a.m. - Observatory Open

The observatory, located across from Taylor Hall and southwest of the Campus Pond, will be open for tours and viewing the stars rain or shine.

6 p.m. - Kelly Bell Band performs

The Kelly Bell Band, who plays "phat blues" music, will perform in The Theatre of the Doudna Fine Arts Center. It will cost \$10. More information can be found at <http://phatblues.com>.

If you would like to add to what's on tap, e-mail deneic@gmail.com or call 581-7942.

ONLINE TEASERS



Going Green Blog: Who benefits from going green?

Online Editor James Roedel blogs why green products are increasingly available to consumers. Read a section of his blog here, or to read the entirety, log on to DENNews.com.

Why would businesses produce green products, or employ energy conservation efforts?

Money.

I may sound like a conspiracy theory nut, but it's the truth behind the world's recent trend of environmental responsibility.

Playing baseball



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Peter Fagan (left), a junior biology major with teacher's certification, Rory Wallace (center), a junior physical education major, and Kyle Sinaeve, a junior marketing major, play ball on Wednesday on the intramural fields.

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EIU History Lesson

2008 Two emergency sirens were installed on campus. They were installed in response to safety concerns after the school shooting at Northern Illinois University.

1988 The Tarble Arts Center displayed "100 Watercolors -- China" by Dr. Walter Sorge, who was a professor in the art department.

1980 The building trades program, which is associated with the School of Technology, received a \$1,000 grant from the Illinois Institute of Natural Resources to assist with the design.

1976 Peter Moody, vice president for academic affairs and provost since 1970, announced his retirement plans. He said he would retire in June 1977. He refused to comment in *The Daily Eastern News*.

CAMPUS

Pantherpalooza highlights different organizations

By Kayleigh Zyskowski
 News Editor

The Tennis Club, the Student Services Office, and Pride were a few of the campus organizations that set up post in the South Quad on Wednesday for Panther Palooza.

Around 70 organizations took advantage of the biggest campus wide recruitment day of the year, said Dan Rolando, the student government vice president of student affairs.

"This is the largest gathering of all of the (Registered Student Organizations) on campus," Rolando said. "It really gives the student clubs a chance to show what they are all about."

Ave Coleman, an Eastern graduate, was recruiting students for the EIU Unity Gospel Choir even though she graduated in December 2009.

"A lot of people have signed up so far today," Coleman said. "Usually by the end of the year we have around 20 people, but today we have already signed up 22 people so hopefully our numbers will stay strong through-out the end of the year."

Because of the decent weather and date of the event, Rolando said this year's Palooza was more successful than the past.

"Last year's was a month into the semester when most fraternities, sororities and organizations have already done their recruiting and

departments have started their events," Rolando said.

Michelle Roberts, a graduate student in the Family and Consumer Sciences department, was behind the table for Colleges Against Cancer table.

"Today has gone awesome for us," Roberts said. "We plan the Relay for Life on campus and the added members would help with the organization."

After the event was over, Rolando handed out surveys to the organization leaders to receive feedback about the event.

"This is so we can look towards the future," Rolando said. "We want to know if they liked having chairs or if we should get a sponsor to pass out water during the day, we just want to make the day better for next year."

While the organizations gain a lot from the event, the students are the ones who can get the most out of the day, Rolando said.

"This day gives freshmen a chance to meet new people and see what is offered on campus, to find their place on campus," Rolando said. "It supplements everything that was done from their debut day until now, so they can really see what Eastern and its clubs are all about."

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Working the Alpha Sigma Tau table at Pantherpalooza, Bailey Mast, a junior elementary education major, speaks to students about the sorority Wednesday in the South Quad.

CAMPUS

ROTC commissions three members

By: Samantha Bilharz
 Activities Editor

Lance Spear, Chris McLennand and Amber Gensler are three members of the ROTC being commissioned to second lieutenant today at the Pond Pavilion.

During the ceremony, ROTC members will take an oath of office swearing to defend the Constitution, which lays out their duties and responsibilities. Orders are read and family members or friends pin the new rank on the cadet. This symbolizes the help the ROTC members have had getting to this point.

The sergeant will approach the new lieutenant to give the first official salute. The salute will be followed by the sergeant giving a silver dollar to the new lieutenant. This symbolizes the special bond between the sergeant and the officer, Lt. Col. Knotts said.

When an ROTC member is commissioned to second lieutenant, they

"The army helps give someone good leadership, people and planning skills."

Lance Spear, ROTC

are entrusted with the lives of others. Some second lieutenants may be responsible for 20 to 50 men and women, depending on their unit, said Lance Spear, one of cadets being commissioned. This responsibility is followed by the possibility of having to go to war.

Being in the military has been a dream for Spear since high school. For Spear, being commissioned to second lieutenant is an exciting, but nerve-racking time.

"It has given me a sense of pride," Spear said. "I am pretty happy, but a little bit nervous. I still have a lot to learn."

Spear also feels as though the army has helped him look towards the future.

"No one plans like the army," Spear said. A lot of people like potential employees who have been in the army. The army helps give someone good leadership, people and planning skills. All these things are attractive for a possible employer."

During high school Chris McLennand, one of the cadets being commissioned, knew he wanted to pursue a leadership career.

"I felt in high school that I wanted to do something bigger than myself," McLennand said. "I wanted to

lead people. I felt if I didn't do this (join the military) I would look back and regret it."

McLennand plans on staying in the military and making it his career.

"I do see in the future moving into active duty and making this my full time career," McLennand said.

Along with Spear, McLennand is also enthusiastic about being commissioned to second lieutenant.

"I'm excited! I feel like I have been well prepared to take up a leadership position," McLennand said. "I am just beginning on my career in the military. However, I feel well prepared and educated on how to lead other soldiers."

ROTC looks for individuals coming to college who are looking for a challenge and a leadership position, McLennand said.

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BLOTTER

According to the University Police Department, a harassment report was filed in the South Quad on Monday at 6 p.m. The incident was referred to the Office of Student Standards.

The UPD also reported that Brandon Mochel, 18, of 118 N. Morgan St. in Shelbyville, was arrested on Monday at 10:32 p.m. in Taylor Hall. He was charged with the possession of drug paraphernalia. He was released at 10:45 p.m. with a notice to appear.

An electronic harassment report was filed on Monday at 4:51 p.m. and is under investigation, according to the UPD.

The UPD also said that a theft was reported from the Student Recreation Center on Monday at 4:55 p.m.

A criminal damage report was taken at the Intramural Field on Wednesday at 8:15 a.m. The incident is under investigation, according to the UPD.

CORRECTION

In Wednesday's edition of *The Daily Eastern News*, the location for today's Rubber Lover's meeting was incorrect.

The presentation will be in the Charleston/Mattoon Room in the Union.

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STAFF EDITORIAL

Refund money not for play

Receiving a refund check can be one of the most beautiful things in the world.

But even though refund checks will be in mailboxes shortly, students need to remember they are still "poor college students," and shouldn't splurge the money they receive.

Parents are not always going to be there for them with extra money every week, like they might have done when they were in high school. Now that students are in college, it is the perfect time to learn financial responsibility.

Eastern graduates were recently found to have the second lowest debt among all mid-western schools. If current students want to keep it that way, they shouldn't spend the extra money they receive from their refund checks on parties every weekend.

Bills need to be paid every single month, so remember to spend accordingly.

Do not be stuck in a situation in April where the loan money is gone and an embarrassing call to the parents will follow.

Instead, they need to spend their money in moderation.

It's OK to buy the generic soda all the time. It tastes almost the same as the top brands. Other generic food items are also not a bad idea. Students shouldn't have to worry about impressing their peers with brand named items.

Students should not spend much money on junk food, either.

Junk food is probably one of the most expensive food items seen in a store. And if students are not buying it, they will not only save money, but also lose a few pounds while they are at it.

When students are out somewhere and are hungry, they need to be cautious of the vending machines. It is a rip off to pay 80 cents for a tiny bag of chips when they can get a full-size bag at the store for only a few dollars more. It is even more ridiculous that it costs \$1.25 for a drink, when you can get a 12 pack of soda for a little over \$2—at least with the generic brand.

If students get into the habit of bringing snacks and their own drinks with them in their backpack, they are less likely to be tempted by the vending machines.

Food is not the only thing students need to watch out for.

If there's a DVD or videogame that they are yearning for, instead of buying it for themselves, they should ask for it for Christmas.

It's only four months away, and it will come fast.

A good tip is to only carry cash. Students should spend that cash on necessities, and leave their credit and debit cards at home. That way, they can't use them.

Most importantly, students need to remember that this is still college and while they do not have very much money now, once they graduate and establish themselves with a job, they will.

PAWS Are 8 a.m. classes worth it?

By James Roedl
Online Editor

The sun comes up every day to find me at my computer checking e-mails and finishing up work from the previous day.

I do not get a lot of sleep, but I make sure to get up early and get a good breakfast before heading off to class before 8 a.m.

I go to what is considered an "early class," without discomfort or complaint.

The idea of 8 a.m. classes being too early is ridiculous. It is people just complaining because they are lazy.

If someone has a hard time getting up early, they need to go to bed sooner.

Time is important. When someone gets up early, it allows them to have more free time at the end of the day to study, work or just relax.

When students say they never get up before 8 a.m., it shows they are not ready for adult life.

Most businesses open at 8 a.m. or earlier, meaning students should start getting used to this "early" hour for the future jobs they hope to obtain.

College students are known stereotypically for sleeping in and missing early classes, but this can be the best time for class if a student is fresh from a good night's rest.

The reason 8 a.m. classes are such a problem is not the time they occur, but the way students prepare for them.

By going to bed at an earlier hour, students can enjoy 8 a.m. classes, feel more refreshed and get more accomplished during the day.

By Dan Cusack
Opinions Editor

When I came to college, I vowed never to take an 8 a.m. class ever again. Sure, there are positives, like getting your day going.

But the negatives are far much worse. The theory with 8 a.m. classes is that because your class is so early, you will be able to do things all day. It never works that way.

As soon as the class is over, you must fight the temptation to go back to bed. With that being the case, 99.895 percent of the time the nap usually wins.

We are college students; we are creatures of the night.

After years of being told what time to show up to class, we now have a choice to pick the times. A plus of having late classes is getting your schoolwork done in the morning. At the end of the day, the last thing you want to do is read a chapter of your history textbook.

All good television is on at night.

Watch the new episode of your favorite show-or sit there and do math problems?

Which one are you going to choose? With afternoon classes, you have little to distract you from your schoolwork (especially since Drew Carey completely ruined the "Price is Right").

The afternoon class is also always a major positive. You are fully awake. Having been up for a few hours, with food in your stomach, it is easier to pay attention to a lecture.

Following graduation, we will be waking up at dawn almost every day for the rest of our lives.

So for the next four years, sleep in.

FROM THE EASEL



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COLUMN

Take your time before signing on the line

My father is the kind of man who uses idioms, clichés and figures of speech like there's no tomorrow.

Some of my personal favorites are: you can lead a horse to water, but you can't make it drink; lead, follow or get the heck out of the way and I need this like I need a nail in the head.

But the one that has stuck with me the most is not actually a cliché, it's just common sense.

Read everything before you sign anything.

This may seem like the obvious procedure in formal settings; i.e., get contract, read contract fully, sign contract if in agreement with the terms.

But think about it.

How often do you actually do that? Maybe you'll read the terms of agreement for a new credit card or an apartment lease, but how about your cell phone contract?

Even as I was writing this column, a window popped up on my browser asking me to download a program so I could have access to the Eastern Wifi network.

I clicked the agree to terms button without reading them and thought nothing of it.

Most of the time people agree to things, im-



Emily Steele

portant things, without paying attention.

But every year, thousands of people are hit with charges and fees for something that was in the fine print. It is my policy to read any document fully before I sign, but where do digital contracts fit in?

Computer programs, social network website agreements and online registrations are confirmed with the click of a button.

While I make it a point to know what I am agreeing to when I sign something, based on the reactions I've gotten I do not think it is a common practice.

It seems the contract signing process is idiot proof.

The person will explain it, make it idiot proof

by marking it with an X, handing over a pen and telling you to sign and date it.

When I start reading, people seem impatient and to hurry up the process, they try to explain it further.

I smile and nod and go back to reading it.

Throughout life, I'm sure I will sign dozens of contracts and rather than pretend to understand the technicalities, at least I will have the wisdom of another generation to guide me.

Apartment leases, phone contracts, even if you're updating a computer program, it asks you to agree to their terms. Although it takes a long time, I always do it.

I even read through all the papers when I had a drug test (I had an internship over the summer).

But when filling out paperwork, make sure you read through everything first, whether it is enlistment, a contract or with a job.

That way you will not be sorry later.

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GUIDE

Back to school: surviving the semester

Once you are comfortable with taking a shower with shoes on, you have found your way through the textbook rental and finally are starting to get used to your roommate's quirks, one last item on your check list looms over your head: actually passing the semester.

College courses can be intimidating with the reading list, the endless papers and your professor's chalk scribbles you can't quite decipher.

However, with time comes experience and we are here to give it to those who may not have their own system yet.

Don't read every word that is assigned

Most professors have at least one textbook and a semester's worth of articles, stories, chapters or

units they request their students trudge through every week. To read every word ever assigned is impossible.

Instead, skim or read the section reviews. Few things in a college student's career are more draining than deciphering an entire biology book.

To save time, read the main ideas. Have an idea of what class discussion will be like the next class period and you should have no problem speaking up when your professor asks you a question on the spot.

Get your research gathered early

The one thing a college student may do better than any other person is procrastinate. So, by all means, wait until the night before to write

a paper or prepare a presentation, some people do their best work under pressure.

However, to save you time, money and a fake illness the next day during class, have your books and research prepared.

One feeling you do not want to experience is having your heart drop as you realize the only two biographies in the county you could use for your biography due tomorrow have been checked out by that guy who sits in front of you in economics.

So, get to the library early.

Get to know your classmates

On a small campus, it is not surprising that you may run into multiple people you recognize from class everyday.

By getting to know the students in your class on

a first name basis allows for small talk, which will lead to reminders you won't be expecting.

Talking to fellow students while waiting in line at Thomas Dining will allow other students to talk to you about deadlines or project ideas that could be useful to you.

Many times, deadlines and exam dates escape our planners.

It couldn't possibly be because we have forgotten to write them down, but somehow they slip off the page.

If you know the students in your class, the discussions of these dates will arise in your conversations as you complain about the day's lengthy 8 a.m. lecture.

They won't mind if you run off quickly and pale faced to pull an all nighter.

STATE

Dogs attack, kill boy; no charges filed

By The Associated Press

VARNA — A 7-year-old boy was attacked and killed by dogs on a central Illinois farm that he was visiting Wednesday with his mother, authorities said.

Jason Walter of LaSalle was alone when he was attacked and died in the driveway of a farm outside Varna, about 30 miles northeast of Peoria, Marshall County Sheriff Rob Russell said.

The dogs, three pit bulls and a mixed breed owned by people who lived on the property, were captured and euthanized, Russell said.

No charges have been filed, and there is no legal requirement to keep dogs on leashes, he said. The dogs' bodies will undergo testing for rabies.

"It was an emotional scene," Russell said. "Obviously, it's a tragedy."

The boy's mother was dating a man who lived on the farm and the boy was heading to the car to leave when the dogs attacked, the sheriff said.

An emergency helicopter was called to transport the boy to the hospital.

Coroner David Lenz Jr. said a doctor aboard the helicopter pronounced the child dead.

An autopsy is planned, and the death remains under investigation.

The boy was a second-grader at Northwest School in LaSalle, said Superintendent Dan Marenda.

Social workers and counselors will be available Thursday at the school to help students and teachers deal with the tragedy, Marenda said.

Pumpkin crop in jeopardy due to destructive mildew

By The Associated Press

CHAMPAIGN — University of Illinois scientists said they have found a destructive mildew in the state's pumpkin crop that could affect vegetables such as cucumbers and squash.

Plant pathologist Mohammad Babadoost said Wednesday that

downy mildew has been found in pumpkin fields in central Illinois.

He said the disease moves fast and can turn leaves brown in 10 days.

Babadoost said the impact on Illinois pumpkins grown for canning will be limited because many have already been harvest-

ed. But the disease can move to other vine-grown vegetables and fruits.

The University says farmers should quickly spray fungicides.

Illinois has about 25,000 acres of pumpkins and last year produced almost a third of the country's crop.

Man with cancer gets 20 years for DUI

By The Associated Press

URBANA — A Champaign County judge has sentenced a Rantoul man with terminal cancer to 20 years in prison for driving under the influence.

In passing sentence Wednesday on 56-year-old Douglas Sleight, Circuit Court Judge Richard Klaus noted that it was Sleight's sixth DUI conviction and said the defendant remained a very real threat to the

public. Klaus went beyond the prosecution request for eight to 10 years.

Sleight's defense attorney said any prison term would amount to a death sentence.

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CAMPUS

Former chair introduces new sculpture

By Sara Hall
Staff Reporter

When students look around Eastern's campus, they may notice some of the many sculptures. At nine ft. and 1700 pounds, one sculpture in particular has recently received significantly more attention. This eye catching, curve-filled project is the recently completed work of Professor James Johnson.

A graduate of the University of Kansas, Johnson first became interested in art as a young child. Unlike many children who play with toys for entertainment, he was more interested in clay or paper.

Later he took his pastime and turned it into a career after receiving his MFA. Johnson was brought to Eastern's campus in 1978 when he accepted the position of chairperson of the art department. He also taught a 3D Design class.

Johnson created his project through the university's Summer Sculpture Residency Program. Headed by professor Jeff Boshart, this program has been in existence for three years. It offers graduate students the opportunity to create their own work by providing studio space and materials for them to use.

So far, 12 students have participated in the program.

"I view this as a positive experience because the students will tell others of their works and it brings more interest in art back to the campus," Johnson said.

In addition to having students create works, the program also invites guest artists to participate. The first artist chosen was Cary Knoop, and this year Eastern invited Johnson.

This summer he spent four and a half weeks creating his sculpture. When creating his sculpture, his experiences and interests inspired him. Most notably prevalent in his work is architectural design, specifically of the Mayan and Aztec cultures.

In addition, he reflected on his life for inspiration.

"I drew on my experiences in the

Midwest, where I was exposed to large spaces and man-made objects against the horizon," Johnson said. He drew on these ideas when creating the arch in the sculpture. There are notably no parallel lines, flat surfaces often move to curves, and open space contrasts different forms.

By designing this way, Johnson embedded movement and energy throughout his piece.

Developing the sculpture proved to be quite a task for Johnson. He had not done a project on such a large scale in some time, so it quickly became especially significant to him.

"To design the sculpture, I reviewed past drawings and sketches. I then developed five or six models as visual guides and worked with Boshart to decide what would work well," Johnson said.

Although he encountered problems throughout the creation, he made adjustments as he went along. The biggest challenge he came across was the technicality of the work's compound curves. He had to find a material that didn't bend and was strong enough to manufacture the curves. He ultimately chose core tin steel.

When building the sculpture, Johnson was especially fond of its location. Found near Circle Drive, it faces the Doudna Fine Arts Center.

"I like that the sculpture is accessible either by foot or from passing by traffic," Johnson said.

He takes pride that viewing the sculpture from different areas gives a unique perspective. The way light hits the sculpture at certain angles produces different views.

"I hope the sculpture will make people become more engaged with their surroundings," Johnson said. He also hopes his sculpture will bring more awareness to the Doudna.

Johnson said that since the sculpture is on such a large scale of size, he could not have created it without the help of others.

"I needed lots of teamwork," Johnson said. He is grateful for the help of Gary Fuller, a Food Services worker



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This sculpture, located on the circle drive on Seventh Street, was built by Jim Johnson, a former chair of the art department.

who is currently pursuing his BFA, and his sons, Brent and Tyler. He would also like to thank Facilities Planning and Management for their preparation of the site and instillation of the sculpture, Industrial Services, and Adams Memorial.

Johnson said he holds this project dear to his heart and hopes to build more sculptures in the future. Although he has officially been retired for one year, he is still active in art and has a design studio. Here, he actively creates models for large-scale projects.

He hopes these models will lead him to build projects with programs similar to the Summer Sculpture Residency around the country.

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STATE

Tax plan should include property tax relief

By The Associated Press

BLOOMINGTON.— Gov. Pat Quinn offered a new twist Wednesday in his plan to raise income taxes, while Senate candidates Alexi Giannoulias and Mark Kirk split over inheritance taxes and family farms. Quinn, speaking to agriculture leaders, said his proposal for an income tax increase would lead to lower local property taxes. Pressed afterward on how that would happen, Quinn said he would seek legislation

requiring schools to reduce property tax bills before they could get additional state support. "I think it should be mandatory," the Chicago Democrat said. "I think if the state helps local schools with more money ... it also means cutting local property taxes." Quinn hasn't previously linked an income tax increase to property tax relief. Giannoulias, the Democratic Senate nominee, also spoke to the Illinois Agricultural Legislative Round-

table and said he supports keeping the estate tax — or "death tax," as critics call it. But the Chicago Democrat says he would exempt family farms worth less than \$10 million. He said people should not be forced to pay a tax bill by selling property that has been in their family for generations. Kirk opposes the estate tax and accused Giannoulias of wanting to have it both ways by backing the tax but trying to shield farmers. "I would just ask, why would you

just exempt the family farmer and not exempt family owned businesses in Illinois that happen not to be in farming?" said Kirk, R-Highland Park. Quinn hammered his Republican opponent, Bloomington Sen. Bill Brady, for proposing to cut education funding. He said that would mean fewer jobs, worse schools and greater reliance on property taxes. In contrast, Quinn said, his tax plan would generate \$3 billion for schools and reduce property tax-

es. Eventually Quinn acknowledged he wants to force schools to cut local taxes. If they have to cut as much as they gain from the state, schools would be left with no increase in available money. Other tax plans that have been discussed in Springfield include a "tax swap" but generally in the form of credits to lower each family's overall bill. Forcing schools to lower property taxes appears to be a new twist.

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play an ever increasing role in the appropriated budget, said Weber. This number will be determined by the tenth-day count around Labor Day. During the next several weeks, the school will conduct a thorough top-to-bottom review of all appropriated budgets. The goals of this review will be to identify \$6 million in appropriated budget cuts over the next two years and to address existing structural budget imbalances. Leading this effort will be Michael

Maurer, the recently appointed director of planning, budget and institutional research. The review will start at the presidential and vice-presidential level, then proceed to the dean and director level, and conclude with the department and unit level, Weber said. One key guideline in this review is with regards to cuts of personnel. "We want to have cuts on the personnel side attrition based as much as possible," he said.

He said he believes that furloughs and layoffs should be a last resort after other options have been explored, however he expects to have another budget cut in fiscal year 2012. Throughout this review, the university will continue to have open discussions with the Council of University Planning and Budgeting and other campus governance groups. This review has already started and will continue to take

"We want to have cuts on the personnel side attrition based as much as possible."
William Weber, vice president for business affairs.

place throughout September. "We have an amazing task in front of us that will unfold over the next several weeks," Maurer said.

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FUTURE, from page 1

So what was FutureGen 2.0? FutureGen 2.0 is a coal-fueled power plant that will generate electricity and hydrogen while producing little emissions into the atmo-

sphere. According to futuregenforillinois.com, the project will take a significant step in strengthening the United States' ability to produce re-

liable energy, improve the environment and reduce our dependence on foreign oil. Mattoon was first chosen as one of four finalists, along with Tusco-

la, Ill. and two other cities in Texas. Mattoon was chosen primarily for it being one of the nations largest suppliers in coal. Mattoon is also an interchange point for the

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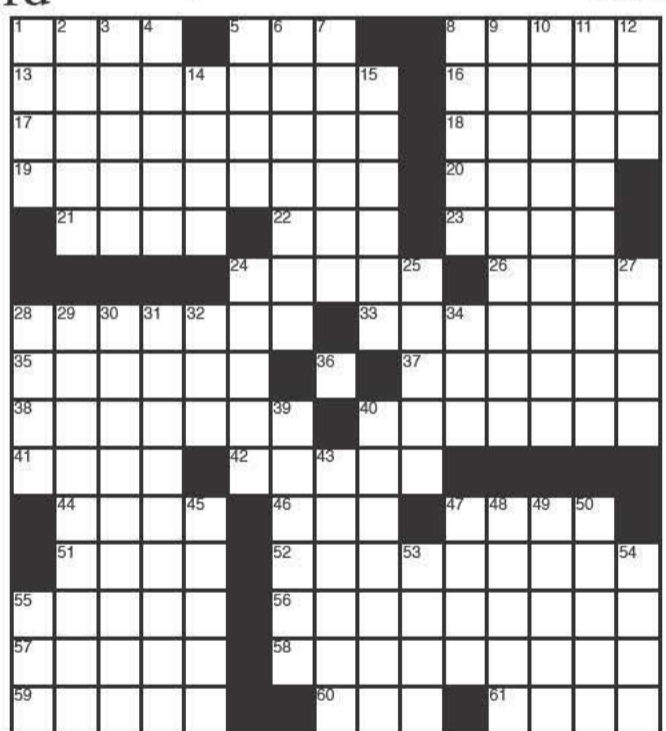
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NATION

NFL moving forward with 18-game season

Associated Press

NFL owners are eager to increase the regular season from 16 to 18 games.

The players aren't so sure. During a five-hour meeting at a posh hotel in downtown Atlanta, the push to add two more games to the regular season picked up steam Wednesday — at least among those who sign the checks.

"I think it's a win-win all around," said Bob Kraft, owner of the New England Patriots.

The owners also unanimously approved Stan Kroenke's proposal to purchase majority ownership of the St. Louis Rams, assuming he turns over control of two other teams he owns — the NBA's Denver Nuggets and the NHL's Colorado Avalanche — to his son.

Kroenke owns 40 percent of the downtrodden Rams and exercised his right to purchase the rest of the team from the Rosenbloom family for a reported \$750 million.

"Obviously, all of us know and respect Stan," commissioner Roger Goodell said. "He's been a terrific owner in the NFL and we're confident he will continue to be a great owner."

Kroenke must turn over operational and financial control of the Nuggets and Avalanche to his 30-year-old son, Josh, by the end of the year. He must give up his majority stake in the teams by December 2014 to meet NFL rules against cross-ownership of franchises in other NFL cities.

But talks on the expanded season dominated most of the meeting.

Goodell pointed out that the

league already has the right to impose an 18-game schedule — and keep four preseason games for each team — under the current labor agreement with the players. But that contract expires after this season, and it's clear the expanded schedule will be a central issue in talks on a new collective bargaining agreement.

The owners would like to keep the season at 20 weeks, reducing the number of preseason games from four to two.

"We want to do it the right way for everyone, including the players, the fans and the game in general," Goodell said. "There's a tremendous amount of momentum for it. We think it's the right step."

The owners held off on voting on a specific proposal that could be presented to the players union. Among the issues that still must be resolved:

when to start the expanded regular season, possible roster expansion to cope with more games, and changes in training camp and offseason routines to come up with ways for evaluating younger players who wouldn't have as many preseason games to make an impression.

"We want to continue to address a variety of issues before putting together a specific proposal, which our negotiating team will provide to the union's negotiating team," Goodell said. "There's tremendous support for it. Almost all the questions, all the discussions, are how to do it in a way that's fan friendly."

Around the NFL, however, many players questioned the wisdom of making an already grueling season even longer. At the very least, they want more money — and several proposed changes in the rules gov-

erning injured players, or adding an extra bye week to deal with the grind.

"With 16 games, every game is important and therefore the fans are very into it, the stadiums are packed because they know if their team loses, it pushes them further and further away from making the playoffs," Cincinnati quarterback Carson Palmer said. "I think if you go to 18, each game kind of loses a little bit of its significance."

The players clearly expect to be receive a bigger chunk of the multi-billion-dollar NFL pie if they're going to be putting their bodies on the line in two more games that count.

"Obviously the players want to be compensated for two more games," San Francisco 49ers linebacker Matt Wilhelm said. "That's the one thing the players have to get met."

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students could provide all necessary information that the NCAA requires and to give them a brief glance at what the team is all about.

The tryouts will be held Friday at 3 p.m. at O'Brien Field. Only students who attended the meeting on Wednesday can tryout for the team.

These tryouts are another way for Eastern to strengthen their roster heading into the regular season.

Around the MCV

Evansville's senior midfielder Robby Lynch was named a candidate for the Lowe's Senior Class award. He is among 30 other players throughout Division-I men's soccer. The award will be given to the player who best demonstrates the four C's: classroom, charity, character and competition.

Teams in the MVC do not get their official seasons underway until Sept. 1, when six of the eight teams begin their season. The Panther's season starts Sept. 3, when they take on Kentucky.

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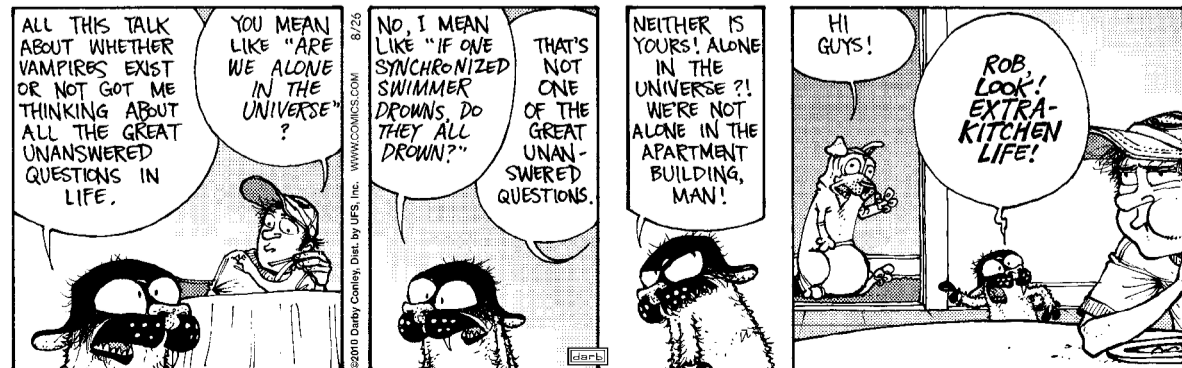
Junior midfielder Ryan Child, No. 4, fights for the ball while sophomore midfielder Jerry Maddi attempts to kick it away during the intersquad game held on Sunday at Lakeside Field.

COMICS

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STATE

Sox lose to a hot Matusz

Associated Press

Brian Matusz is quickly gaining the confidence of his new manager.

Matusz pitched seven sharp innings and Brian Roberts homered as the Baltimore Orioles beat the Chicago White Sox 4-2 on Wednesday night.

Matusz (6-12) held the White Sox to one run on three hits. He struck out five and walked one.

"Especially when you're playing them in their ballpark in the middle of a pennant race and every game means that much to them, it's impressive," Orioles manager Buck Showalter said.

The 22-year-old lefty backed up a fine outing in his last start on Aug. 19. In 4-0 win over Texas, he allowed five hits over a career high-tying eight innings, walking one and striking out six.

This time, his fastball was the key pitch.

"I was able to throw it for strikes, in and out. Mixing it up. The slider felt good," Matusz said. "To have that consistency and to be locked in a little bit is a good feeling."

Matusz finished his outing by getting Paul Konerko, Carlos Quentin and A.J. Pierzynski to hit three infield pop outs in the seventh.

"I thought his most impressive inning was the seventh. Those are the kind of things that young pitchers can reach back for as they go forward in their careers and know they're capable of doing it," Showalter said.

Matt Wieters doubled and drove in two runs for the Orioles.

Mark Buehrle (12-10) was wilder than usual, and the White Sox lost for the 11th time in 16 games. Their lone run off Matusz came on a solo homer by Gordon Beckham in the sixth.

Koji Uehara rebounded by striking out Pierzynski for his second save of the season.

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that has been impressive in fall camp," Wittke said.

After Potempa, the next few roster spots are open for competition. Three freshmen and a red-shirt sophomore are in competition for the second-string running back slot.

Freshman Jimmy Lera has been impressive in fall camps, according to Wittke, putting him in a favorable slot as the No. 2 running back, until Williams returns.

Williams was the starting running back last season, running for nine touchdowns.

Now a senior, Williams will once again be the starter; however, the earliest he could return is the second week — a home game against Central Arkansas.

Freshmen backs Cam White, AJ Woodson and Lera are competing with red-shirt sophomore Jake Walker, who is a transfer student from Toledo.

"Lera, White and Woodson have all been here competing, but now you have to add Walker to the mix," Wittke said.

While quarterback and running back are the main competitions on the offensive side of the ball, Wittke said posi-

tion battles last all season.

Wittke said he has been impressed with some players throughout the summer and fall football camps.

Red-shirt sophomore tight end Von Wise and red-shirt senior tight end Cody Bruns have shown Wittke a lot.

"Wise and Bruns have shown me that they are going to start playing more consistently," Wittke said.

Last season, Bruns had four catches for 49 yards. Wise didn't account for any recorded statistics.

Red-shirt sophomore offensive lineman Kevin Kapellas has shown Wittke that he can be versatile.

"Kevin will be good up front," Wittke said. "He can play all three positions — center, guard and tackle."

The Panthers season is nearing its start, and they will hit the road to play Iowa 11 a.m. Sept. 4 in Iowa City, Iowa. With the game eight days away, the Panthers are starting to swing their mindset from offseason mode, to Iowa mode.

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STATE

Pippen statue an honor

By The Associated Press

CHICAGO — Scottie Pippen is getting a statue at Chicago's United Center.

The Chicago Bulls said Wednesday that a bronze statue of the Hall of Fame player would be displayed permanently inside the arena by the end of the upcoming season.

Pippen's likeness will join a sculpture of Michael Jordan that has been outside the arena since 1994.

The Bulls say the same artists who created Jordan's statue also will make the Pippen statue.

Pippen was inducted into the Hall of Fame earlier this month and in July the Bulls named

Pippen an ambassador.

He called the statue "an amazing honor."

Pippen was a six-time champion with Jordan in the 1990s.

He also was a seven-time All-Star and two-time Olympic gold medalist.

Bulls chairman Jerry Reinsdorf says there's "no better way" to pay tribute to Pippen.

Urlacher sits out practice again

By The Associated Press

LAKE FOREST — Chicago Bears linebacker Brian Urlacher has missed his third straight practice with a strained left calf.

His status for this week is in question.

The six-time Pro Bowl pick was injured on the opening series in last week's loss to Oakland and did not return.

The Bears meet Arizona on Saturday in the third preseason game, a dress rehearsal for the opener with starters usually playing into the second half.

Coach Lovie Smith mostly side-stepped questions about Urlacher on Wednesday.

However, he did say the injury is "nothing serious."

The Bears open the season against Detroit on Sept. 12.

Urlacher, who suffered a season-ending wrist injury in the last year's opener against Green Bay, did not make himself available to the media on Wednesday.

Sports Briefs: Cubs improve game

By The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Alfonso Soriano and Tyler Colvin homered, Carlos Zambrano continued his resurgence since rejoining the Chicago rotation.

The Cubs improved to 2-0 under interim manager Mike Quade, who took over when Lou Piniella unexpectedly retired after Sunday's game.

Quade is the first Cubs manager to win his first two games since Jim Riggleman, now the Nationals' skipper, started 4-0 in 1995.

Zambrano (5-6) yielded a run on five hits over 7 1-3 innings, his longest outing of the year.

He walked one and struck out eight.

In four starts since returning from the bullpen, the right-hander is 2-0 with a 2.25 ERA.

The Nationals have lost three straight games and dropped a season-worst 20 games under .500.

Giants 16, Reds 5

SAN FRANCISCO — Pablo Sandoval homered and drove in four runs.

Buster Posey hit a three-run homer and the Giants routed the Reds for the second straight game.

The victory gives the Giants their first series win over a contending team in their last four.

Andres Torres hit a pair of two-run doubles for a career-high four RBIs.

San Francisco followed an 11-2 win Monday with a season high in runs to move into a first-place tie with the Phillies for the NL wild card.

The NL Central-leading Reds remained 2½ games up on the Cardinals after St. Louis lost at Pittsburgh.

Juan Uribe added a two-run homer, and Freddy Sanchez had a solo shot while getting four hits for the second straight night.

Newly acquired Cody Ross contributed an RBI single in his first start with the Giants.

Pirates 4, Cardinals 3

PITTSBURGH (AP) — Pirates rookie Neil Walker drove in three runs.

Last-place Pittsburgh prevented Adam Wainwright from becoming the majors' first 18-game winner, holding off a ninth-inning rally to beat St. Louis.

The Cardinals, down 4-2 when the ninth started, loaded the bases with one out and a run in on Jon Jay's single, but Evan Meek got Matt Holliday and Felipe Lopez to pop up in succession.

Meek converted only his second save in eight opportunities.

Wainwright (17-8) took a 2-0 lead into the sixth but couldn't hold it while failing for the second straight start to win his 18th. He lost 3-2 to Milwaukee on Aug. 18.

St. Louis had won three in a row since dropping five straight.

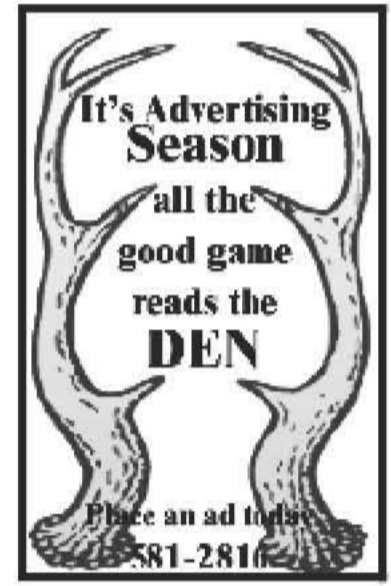
Pittsburgh won for only the third time in 16 games.

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Top Cat with sophomore Kristin Germann



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Sophomore midfielder Kristin Germann shot the game winning goal Sunday during Eastern's match against Evansville at Lakeside Field. The goal was scored 94 minutes into the match during a penalty kick.

MAXIMIZING the PENALTY

Sophomore strikes game-winning penalty kick

By Jordan Pottorff
Staff Reporter

Sophomore midfielder Kristin Germann had a big opening weekend for the Panthers contributing both offensively and defensively in both of the Panther victories.

She played well on Friday against IU-PUI but was the unquestioned player of the match Sunday against Evansville with her late game heroics.

The sophomore midfielder had multiple chances to capitalize on a goal in regulation, but was unable to convert until overtime. Germann capitalized on a penalty kick situation in the 95th minute and buried the ball in the back of the net giving the Panthers a thrilling 1-0

victory on Lakeside Field.

"I had a couple scoring chances for actual goals, but my main goal is to help the team and do whatever I can to get the win, and today that was scoring the winning goal," Germann said.

Germann got her season going in the right direction over the weekend, and will look to continue her strong play throughout the 2010 season.

"I knew KG was the person to take the penalty kick, and she put it in the back of the net," head coach Summer Perala said.

Germann was the most active player on Sunday leading the team in shots (4) and shots on goal (4) against Evansville.

She is coming off a sensational freshman season having started every game on the way to earning herself a spot on the Ohio Valley Conference All-Freshman Team in 2009. "Being selected to the Ohio Valley Conference All-Freshman Team in 2009 was a great accomplishment and I want to keep that going in 2010," Germann said.

"I knew KG was the person to take the penalty kick, and she put it in the back of the net."

Summer Perala, womens soccer head coach

Germann looks to build off of her freshman season and will be expected to play at an elite level throughout the 2010 season.

"I would like to be named to the Ohio Valley Conference First Team, and that's what I'm going for," Germann said.

Germann feels confident going into the second weekend of the season, especially against the opponents.

"As long as we play like we can, we will be good. We have to stay positive and keep going with our 2-0 run to start the season," Germann said.

This is the first time Germann has been named 'Top Cat' and is the first

Top Cat of the 2010 athletic season.

"It's my first time and it's exciting," she said.

Germann has set high standards for herself this season and looks to score at least eight goals for the Panthers and dish out a minimum of six assists.

Germann currently has one goal this season and will look to add to that total, as the Panthers will be back in action over the weekend starting Friday in Valparaiso, Indiana and ending the weekend back on Lakeside Field Sunday.

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CROSS COUNTRY

Searching, finding the depth

The Eastern football team finished the season last year with a loss to Southern Illinois-Carbonale and ranked 15th in the nation.

This year, they start 16th in the Football Championship Subdivision Coaches Poll. What does this mean? It means that there are high expectations for a team without a veteran quarterback and an injured running back.

It also means that the Panthers have a chance to show the growth of their football program, by letting their depth make up for key absences.

Sophomore Brandon Large will be tabbed as the starting quarterback against Iowa Sept. 4. He hasn't taken a snap in an official Eastern game, but he has looked good in scrimmages.

An accurate quarterback is a good quarterback. If you have arm strength, but no accuracy, you're in trouble. But accuracy can make up for a lack of arm strength – not to say Large doesn't have that, too. You get my point?

He will be thrown into the fire against Iowa in his first game. The Hawkeyes have one of the top three defensive lines in the nation – maybe even the No. 1 defensive line. My advice: do not look defensive end Adrian Clayborn in the eyes... too scary.

There are more questions in the Panthers' backfield. With senior running back Mon Williams injuring his knee in practice last week, the Panthers will start senior Jimmy Potempa against Iowa.

Aside from Potempa, Eastern has a good group of quick running backs – all freshmen – including Jimmy Lera, Cam White and AJ Woodson.

From what I saw in the Panthers second scrimmage Saturday, the future is bright at running back, with a solid core group of freshmen. This season, they'll have to learn as fast as they can run.

You could say that there are questions at tight end, with the leading man from that position only having four receptions last season, but offensive coordinator Roy Wittke said red-shirt senior Cody Bruns and red-shirt sophomore Von Wise have shown promise in practice.

Despite the questions, the offense is set. I mean, Williams will be returning in 2-3 weeks, enough time to get his health back to 100 percent for the heart of the Ohio Valley Conference schedule.

And let it be said that the conference schedule is the most important part of the season for Eastern – not the Iowa game.

On the defense, the Panthers should be business as usual. The defensive line played especially well in Saturday's scrimmage. Head coach Bob Spoo said he was pleased.

With playmakers like red-shirt junior linebacker Cory Leman, senior linebacker Nick Nasti, senior cornerback CJ James, and red-shirt senior Rashad Haynes anchoring the defense, you can count on that unit.

This season presents a golden opportunity to show the OVC – the nation – how strong Eastern's football program is, and prove to the FCS that the Panthers deserve to be ranked 16th in the nation.

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FOOTBALL

Position battles heat up



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Red-shirt junior and wide receiver Sean Sobolewski gets tackled by the defense during a scrimmage Saturday at O'Brien Field.

Panthers begin to prepare for Iowa

By Alex McNamee
Sports Editor

As the countdown to kickoff hits eight days, the Eastern football team is as competitive on the practice field as ever.

While most positions on the depth chart are starting to solidify, others are still up for grabs.

Sophomore quarterback Brandon Large is a sure fit as the starting quarterback, but players will be in competition for other roster slots all season.

The quarterbacks behind Large have not found a steady spot in line.

"The number two and three quarterback positions aren't decided," offensive coordinator Roy Wittke said.

According to Wittke, freshmen Jimmy Garappolo and Taylor Duncan, and red-shirt sophomore Shadonta Travis are in open competition.

"Garappolo and Travis might be ahead right now, but you can't count Taylor Duncan out at all,"

Wittke said. Along with the quarterback competition, there is another battle in the backfield – at running back.

With senior running back Mon Williams injured for two to three weeks, senior running back Jimmy Potempa has stepped into the starting role.

"Jimmy Potempa has been a guy FOOTBALL, page 9

MEN'S SOCCER PREVIEW

Panthers try to prove doubters

Tryouts set for Friday

By Rob Mortell
Staff Reporter

This season the Eastern men's soccer team will try to show their doubters that they are a team to be reckoned with in the Missouri Valley Conference.

The preseason ranking pegged Eastern to finish seventh out of the eight teams in the conference.

The Panthers are returning eight starters and only lost three seniors. Among the returning starters is Alex Harrison who was second team all-MVC. He scored two goals last season to go along with nine assists.

Evansville is projected to be the team to beat returning nine of their 11 starters. The only other team

to receive any first place votes was Missouri State, who is returning seven starters.

Last season the Panthers struggled to produce offense, finishing last in the conference with 19 goals. Their defense was third in the conference allowing only 24 goals over the course of the season.

One major key of the Panther's offseason was to work on finishing chances around the net, according to the head coach Adam Howarth.

They have shown glimpses of what they can do in the preseason thus far scoring two goals on Tuesday against Butler, the 2009 Horizon League champions.

Walk-ons are welcomed

The men's soccer team held a meeting Wednesday night for students who wanted to tryout for the men's soccer team.

The meeting was held so SOCCER, page 9

COUNTDOWN TO PANTHER FOOTBALL



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SEPTEMBER 4, 11 a.m.



EASTERN SPORTS SCHEDULE

Women's Soccer
Friday at Valparaiso
7 p.m.

Men's soccer
Saturday vs. Green Bay
12 p.m.

Men's Cross Country
Saturday vs "Peace For
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Women's Cross Country
Saturday vs "Peace For
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Football
Saturday at Murray State
1 p.m. – Murray, Ky.