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Maintenance needed for campus parking lots

By Beth Steele
Staff Reporter

In 2009, the price of parking permits increased for the first time in 11 years.

The increase was part of a five-year plan that will end in 2013, Dan Nadler, vice president of Student Affairs said.

The plan increased parking fees from \$150 for underclassmen and \$50 for upperclassmen by \$20 for the 2009-2010 school year with an increase of \$10 for every school year thereafter.

According to Nadler, there will be no more increases in fees after the 2012-2013 school year.

The fee increase will allow for more maintenance to the lots, as the university parking currently has approximately \$6.5 million in deferred maintenance.

“Increases create an option for additional parking in the future and maintenance can be completed which was deferred due to lack the lack of funding,” said Adam Due, university police chief.

Each parking spot on campus requires more than \$300 a year to maintain, which does not include the staff or enforcement. With students paying much less than that all maintenance has not been completed.

The needed maintenance is different for each campus parking lot. Some lots have drainage issues that need to be addressed, and other lots need more than the top coat that has been done over the years.

Nadler said some lots need more than a million dollars in repairs.

“A few years ago, we analyzed the 45 acres of parking lots and determined the conditions of them,” said Gray Reed, director of facilities and

planning management.

Reed said the parking lots were categorized from worst to best. The worst needed to be completely rebuilt. The University Court parking lot is surveyed as in the worst condition.

“Tree roots can come up through lots and blacktop can crack over a period of time,” Nadler said. “You can only patch for so long, but at some point you need to put another real layer or to start over.”

Other maintenance in parking lots are replacing the light bulbs in the lights or replacing the lights as needed.

Enhancements are also needed in the parking lots. Additional lighting in areas is needed as well as “Code Blue” phones in strategic areas. Security cameras are also an enhancement that is being looked into.

University police officer Ryan Risinger said there are currently 19 “Code Blue” phones around campus.

Due said students have requested cameras in the lots and the request has been considered, but there has not been a budget to allow it.

Risinger said when there is an incident in the parking lot it is reported and investigated and there is usually not closure on those cases.

“Cameras would help, but without high quality cameras, you can only see the person doing it and not their face,” Risinger said.

Student input is considered when deciding where to enhance the parking lots.

Nadler and Bill Weber, vice president of business affairs, make the final decisions but almost every semester Nadler takes students on a walk of campus for their input on where there should be more lights and phones.

“We work closely with students, administration, and the city itself,”



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A sign telling students where to get parking permits is located outside of the full Stevenson Hall parking lot Sunday.

Nadler said.

Desire for more parking has also been expressed. Nadler said the university looked into building a parking structure that would cost \$20,000 to build. He said it became an issue of how much people were willing to pay for parking. With the building of the structure maintenance would go from around \$300 a spot to around \$1,200 a spot, quadrupling parking costs.

Permits for the 2010-2011 school year cost \$80 for an upperclassman permit and \$180 for an underclassman permit.

According to the University Parking regulations, a underclassman is a student under the age of 21 with less than 60 credit hours.

“Since people are not willing to pay so much more for parking there is no way to fund the structure because there is no appropriated money for it,” Nadler said. “We would not want that money taking away from academics.”

Weber said the money from parking permits stays with the parking division.

“Not one penny of appropriated money goes into parking operations,”

Nadler said.

The money accumulated from parking permit fees is divided into staffing and operations. Operations are the maintenance and upkeep of the parking lots on campus including painting parking lines and adding a topcoat of sealant when needed.

Fees also staff some of the university police officers and the student workers that monitor parking regulations.

“Parking is a stand along unit that is expected to be able to sustain itself,” Nadler said.

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EDUCATION

Eastern rated ‘fair’ toward
future teachers preparation

By Shelley Holmgren
Administration Editor

It is no secret that Eastern is known for its education program, especially when one out of four Eastern students are on the education track. However, a recent report published by the National Council on Teacher Quality, published on Nov. 9, puts forward that a majority of Illinois education graduates are not adequately prepared for the post-graduation job market.

The study evaluated 111 undergraduate and graduate programs in 53 education schools across Illinois. It also determined that the two of the biggest producers of teachers, Illinois State University and Northern Illinois University, were ranked lowest.

When rating undergraduate elementary programs, Eastern ranked as “fair” alongside schools like Western and Southern Illinois University. Elmhurst College, University of Il-

linois at Champaign-Urbana and Chicago were ranked highest. Programs that preformed poorly include Illinois State University and Lewis University.

However, Dean Diane Jackman said she believes that the study’s finding do not fully reflect Eastern’s education program.

“We are known for producing high quality teachers no matter what the NCTQ study says,” Jackman said. “Principals and superintendents across the state tell me that they will hire an EIU teacher education graduate if one is available. Our graduates are well prepared to assume a position as a teacher.”

Jackman said programs in education are continually being evaluated against rigorous standards. Unfortunately, the group conducting the NCTQ survey did not identify the standards that they used to grade education programs.

“(The NCTQ) study focused on

inputs to the program, not the outcomes from the program. As you can see in the NCTQ chart, EIU fell in the next to the top category,” Jackman said.

Jackman said one of the reasons Eastern fell into the second category is due to the university’s differed admission requirements from the schools in the first category, such as Northwestern University and University of Illinois.

“While I may disagree with the results of this study, it provides our programs and faculty additional information to consider as we continually strive to create excellent programs,” Jackman said.

However, Eastern does an excellent job preparing its undergraduate elementary teacher candidates to teach reading, according to the NCTQ study.

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ELECTIONS

Online student senate
elections begin today

By Nike Ogunbodede
Student Government Editor

Student government’s fall senate elections begin today and there are 13 students running.

Elections will take place for the first time online. A link will be provided on the updated student government website, and from there, students will be using their E-numbers to vote.

“They’ll enter their E-numbers and click on who they want, then submit it,” said Christine Anderson, director of the elections commission. Links will be available on both the student government and student life websites.

The student senate currently has 18 open seats, but because some of the senate members are not choosing to return there will be five open seats.

Since there are only 13 candidates each student voter will only get 13 votes, Anderson said.

“If reelected, I also plan to take a

better look at the parking situation on campus,” said James Patton, a junior political science major.

Patton said he hopes to sit down and take a look at the possibility of maybe changing the classifications of parking in certain areas on campus.

Patton has been on the student senate for a semester after he was appointed by current speaker Jason Sandidge and has been working on the Panther Express committee.


Henry has been on the student senate for two semesters and is running as a Party for United Leaders Supporting Excellence, or PULSE, candidate along with eight other students.

“PULSE is dedicated to listening to students and using what they hear to help serve the student body,” Henry said. Henry is also a co-chair with Tommy Niernan, who is also running, on student government’s leadership organization, Senators in Training.

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EIU weather

TODAY



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TUESDAY



partly cloudy
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what's on tap

MONDAY

10a.m.-2p.m. March of Dimes
Help support the March of Dimes by purchasing a March of Dimes bracelet for \$2, or making a donation, in Lumpkin Hall.

5-7p.m. Winter Wonderland
The Office of Student Community Service and the National Residence Hall Honorary invite the campus and Charleston community to "Winter Wonderland." It will take place in the University Ballroom at the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union.

TUESDAY

4:30-8p.m. Holiday Dining
Come celebrate the holiday season with your friends at Panther Dining. The dining halls will be serving a Christmas meal at all the dining centers during dinner hours Tuesday.

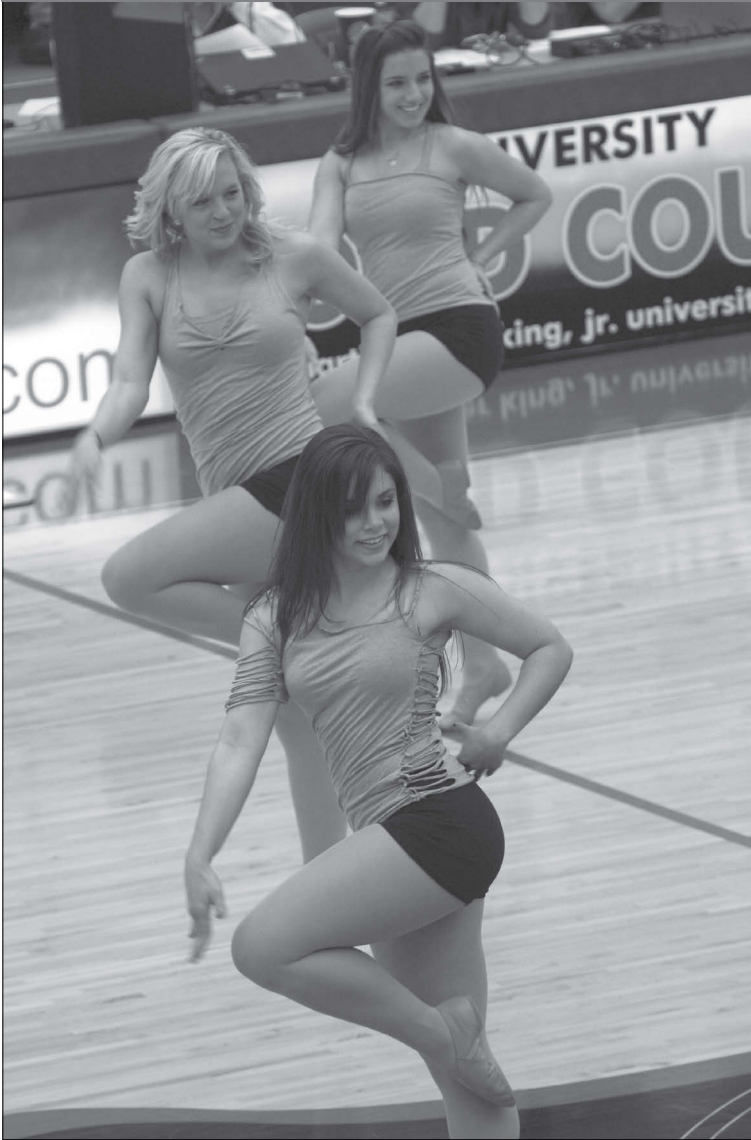
6:30 p.m. AMA Guest Speaker
The American Marketing Association is sponsoring a guest speaker Brian Titus, sales and marketing specialist for Lorenz Supply Company. This event will be in Room 2020 Lumpkin Hall.

WEDNESDAY

7-9p.m. Tutoring Sesion
These sessions will be available to any student enrolled in Communication Disorder and Science classes. Freshmen, sophomores and juniors are encouraged to use this service. This event will be in Room 2101 Human Services Center.

If you want to add to the tap, please e-mail dennewsdesk@gmail.com or call 581-7942.

Let's Dance



AUDREY SAWYER | THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

The Pink Panthers Dance Team performs during the half-time show of the women's basketball game Saturday afternoon in Lantz Arena.

ONLINE



Blog: A winter walk

Eastern finally became a winter wonderland this weekend. No part of Eastern's campus was spared from the snow. See photos like the one below of Sunday's snowfall in the Photo Blog: A winter walk at DENnews.com



CORRECTIONS

In the Friday edition of *The Verge*, Ryan Cress's name was misspelled in the story titled "Wagons' a story of revenge."
The title of the play "The Informer" was misspelled in the story titled "Informant' to keep audience guessing."
The story titled "Annual show singing holiday cheer" which was about Sunday's music event titled "Holiday Concert Eastern Symphony Orchestra and EIU Choral Ensembles," said the show would feature a selection of traditional holiday carols. The show did not feature all of those selections.
"Jingle Bells" and "Sleigh Ride," in addition to "Sussex Mummers' Christmas Carol will be included in a concert of the Concert Band as well as several chamber ensembles at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday in the Dvorak Concert Hall in the Doudna Fine Arts Center.
Thursday's opinion page was reprinted in Friday's edition of the *DEN*. The editorial, column, editorial cartoon and letter to the editor are running in today's issue.
The *DEN* regrets the errors.

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EIU History Lesson

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2005 Eastern was named school of the year by the Great Lakes Affiliate of College and University Residence Halls at its annual conference. This is the highest honor awarded by the Great Lakes Affiliate of College and Residence Halls.

1988 Eastern student, Denise Harris, was reported to be in good condition at Sarah Bush Lincoln Health Center after reportedly being stabbed by her roommate. Neighbors said the two reportedly argued frequently and it was not known why Harris was stabbed.

1973 Student government elections were delayed and marked by violations and one unlocked ballot box. It was reported that the ballots in the unlocked box were thrown out and a re-election called.

EVENT

Holiday concert spreads festive sounds

By Rachel Rodgers
Staff Reporter

People of all ages filled the Dvorak Concert Hall in the Doudna Fine Arts Center to attend Eastern's annual holiday concert Sunday night.

The holiday concert had a large turnout, with the concert being almost sold out.

"Overall tonight, the performances were phenomenal," said Caity Walsh, a freshman journalism major. "It sounded like a real recording with all of the surround sound, and it was great to go to right in the comfort of Charleston."

The holiday concert consisted of the Eastern Symphony Orchestra and Choral Ensembles, including the University Mixed Chorus, the Concert Choir and the Charleston High School Advanced Chorus.

Richard Rossi, director of orchestral and choral activities, conducted the concert and acknowledged the participation of Janet McCumber, director of the University Mixed Chorus, and Julianne Sharp, director of the Charleston High School Advanced Chorus.

This was the first time that members of the Charleston High School Advanced Chorus performed in the



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Conductor and Music Director, Richard Robert Rossi, leads the Eastern Symphony Orchestra, University Mixed Chorus, Concert Choir and Charleston High School Advanced Chorus in a rendition of "Gloria" by John Rutter during the Holiday Concert in the Doudna Fine Arts Center's Dvorak Concert Hall.

holiday concert.

"Performing with so many people was very different," said Daniel Tuylman, a senior at Charleston High School and a bass in the advanced

chorus. "It's harder to hear yourself than normal, but I felt more relaxed because it would be safer to make a mistake."

The holiday concert included

"Wassail Dances" by Philip Lane, "Fantasia on Christmas Carols" by Ralph Vaughan Williams and "Gloria" by John Rutter.

Special performances were made

during "Fantasia on Christmas Carols" by Jay Ivey, an operatic baritone, and Ka-Wai Yu, a cello player and doctoral music student from the University of Illinois.

Aaron Eckert, a sophomore music education major, said he enjoyed performing "Fantasia on Christmas Carols" the most.

"I really liked performing because it's not often that you get to sing with a full orchestra, and it was just a lot of fun and a great experience," Eckert said.

Walsh said her favorite part was during the end where everything was loud and crazy.

"The end really gave me goose bumps, and it was a great way to end (the holiday concert)," Walsh said.

Practice for the holiday concert started in October, and over the past few weeks there have been combined rehearsals and dress rehearsals with the performers.

Tuylman said Rossi would often go to the practices at the Charleston High School and help work with the students.

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UB

Chuck E. Cheese for the win

By Drew Van Wert
Staff Reporter

Grant Molen earned his first place title during Friday's Last Comic Standing.

By winning first place, Molen, a freshman Theater Arts major, earned his own one-hour show for the spring semester. He spoke about Chuck E. Cheese and shared his own idea for a reality show theme song. Molen was excited about winning first place and plans to spread Christmas cheer with his winnings.

"I'm really stoked that I got paid to be funny tonight," Molen said.

Mandy Smith, a senior English major, took second place in the competition. She joked about her relationship with her twin sister, sibling rivalry and her "would be" stripper name.

Even though Smith did not win first place, she was still happy with the outcome.

"I wanna, go out and dance, and I'm really happy for Grant," Smith said.

"I'm really stoked that I got paid to be funny tonight."

Grant Molen, contest winner



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sister something nice with her winnings, after using her for the theme of much of her act.

Anthony "OC" Boyd, a senior management major, took home third place with his act. Women wearing skimpy clothing during winter, pre-sex pep talks and what happens when you mix Nicki Minaj with Disney were focal points of his routine.

Boyd said he felt "Relief...I did the job that I came to give." He added, "I wanna, thank all the people that came out to support me."

Rovion Reed, the University Board comedy coordinator, was excited to hear each contestant's standup acts. After the show, Reed said he was extremely happy with the show's turnout.

"I wanna' thank everyone that par-

ticipated, came out and the committee. We won one for diversity. It was a diverse crowd. Greeks, nerds, nobody's, etc," he said.

Lenze Davis, a senior Management Information Systems major, hosted the event. He has been performing impromptu since 2007 and also performed stand up this past spring at Eastern.

Megan Couty, a sophomore English major, attended the show and said it was a lot of fun. She said OC Boyd "knew how to work the crowd."

Couty's favorite topic was not exclusive to one comedian. She enjoyed when the comedians were honest about themselves.

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LECTURE

Professors discuss future of business

By Mel Boydston
Staff Reporter

Eastern faculty members will share their research on how decisions made during the life of a business affect its survival or failure today in Lumpkin Hall, Room 1120, from 11 a.m. to 12:15 p.m.

The combined efforts and research of professors Richard Flight, Marko Grunhagen, David Boggs, and visiting professor Laura Lucia Palacios, of the department of Business Management from University of Zaragoza in Spain, will culminate in a presentation "The Organizational Ecology of Franchises in the Automotive Services Sector."

"We are trying to understand how franchise organization grow and develop and merge over time," Boggs said.

Given the economic climate that businesses are currently facing, this

research holds particular importance for businesses and classroom.

The effect of the recession on business has been evident, and there are hopes that this study can aid in economic survival.

"We're looking at a business like a being that has to survive in that environment," Grunhagen said.

The study will be submitted to the Academy of Management, an annual conference, where it will be reviewed with the intention of eventually being published.

"Assuming it is submitted and accepted we would present this information at a conference, longer term we wish to have the work public, which would make it available for scholars and students throughout the rest of time," Boggs said.

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STAFF EDITORIAL

Online voting a little too soon this year

The student government fall elections will take place Monday and Tuesday with 13 senators vying for 18 open seats.

For the first time, voting will be done entirely online. In the past, students cast scantron ballots with voting available in the both Coleman Hall and in the Martin Luther King Jr. Union.

Students can find a link for voting on the student government website. Each student has one vote per E-number.

For the first time, the elections will be completely online with the student government website providing a link. The website can be found through eiu.edu.

This is not the campus's first foray into Internet voting. This year, the elections for the Homecoming court were done exclusively online.

Voting for the student government exclusively online has both its advantages and disadvantages.

In the past there have been accusations by students of tampering with voters on election day by campaigning too close to voting stations. Voting online will eliminate this and lead to a more fair election.

The *Daily Eastern News* editorial board expects voter turnout for this election to be even lower than past elections, where the campus has shown much apathy toward choosing the student government member.

The website is convenient for students to vote from homes, dorms or apartments, but many students do not know about the student government website.

The link will probably be passed along through social networking sites such as Facebook and Twitter, but unless a person is a friend or acquaintance of someone running for a position they probably will not go out of their way to find the link and vote.

In past elections, students frequenting the Union or Coleman Hall would stop and vote because they walked past and figured they should have their voices heard. These students did not go out of their way to make sure that they voted, but just voted because the opportunity presented itself.

With the elections online, the board feels these students have the attitude "out of sight, out of mind" and will not vote.

Voting online will save money, because there will be no need for scantrons, pencils and other materials needed to put on an election.

The board thinks the elections, at least for a few years should be done both online and with voting stations on campus.

Because the people who run the elections use the E-numbers to keep track of who voted, the online elections should happen two days in advance, so students cannot vote twice and their names can be taken off of the list.

Online voting is a step in the right direction, but should still be accompanied by traditional voting measures.

COLUMN

With uncertain economy students still find jobs

As the semester winds down we find ourselves filled with different emotions.

Mainly the feeling of enjoyment as we think of the month long break we have coming up in between semesters.

Not to mention the feeling of all the food we're going to load up on during break and all the family members we will see around Christmas time and New Year's partying.

However, for some of our seniors and super seniors a very different kind of emotion is creeping up as graduation approaches.

The feeling is the uncomfortable wonder of whether or not a career awaits them in today's unstable job market.

Once college is over they ask, "What now?"



Julian Russell

Illinois ranks among the top states in the unemployment category and that leaves some of us feeling rather uneasy.

Despite the grim numbers that flash across the news on a daily basis there is still light waiting at the end of the tunnel.

For instance, former summer Editor in Chief of this very newspaper Sarah Jean Bresnahan is currently working her dream job just six months after graduation!

Sarah is now an editor of the *LeRoy Press* in Champaign.

When asked how it felt to have this opportunity so fast out of school Sarah said it was a dream come true.

"I am still in shock over it," Bresnahan said. "It's a lot of work but it's exciting to be out in the world doing what I spent all this time in college learning about."

I asked Bresnahan if she had any advice for our soon to be graduates.

"My advice is to not give up and to always read your e-mails," Bresnahan said. "I got my job because of a Facebook message from a friend who works for the same company."

So there you have it seniors.

Sarah is one of many who have found their place in the

job market right out of college and it just goes to show that with hard work and plenty of effort that your time spent here at Eastern pays off.

If you want something for yourself all you have to do is set yourself on the right path and choosing Eastern for your education is the first step of that achievement.

I give my best to all of you graduating this semester, it has been a pleasure spending time with you all.

I know that one day all of you will be living out your dream in your field just like Eastern's very own Sarah Jean Bresnahan.

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FROM THE EASEL



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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

A slow and painful process

In Wednesday's *Daily Eastern News* Bob Wayland, chief negotiator for the administration, describes the negotiations process as "slow and painful."

Well, yes.

We're in our sixth month of negotiations with no end in sight.

Painful? You bet.

The professors, instructors and academic adviser on the UPI-EIU negotiations team have spent untold hours in largely fruitless meetings.

The last one was over five hours long.

What I don't understand is how this process has been "painful" for Wayland.

He has retired from Eastern and is surely being compensated by the administration for his time (and his travel expenses since he lives in Arkansas).

He earns more if it takes lon-

ger.

Our team, on the other hand, just loses more of the time and energy they need to fulfill their myriad duties, including their primary duty--supporting and mentoring Eastern students.

The rest of us in the bargaining unit, who are working to support the team (and waiting for raises earned last year), are in the same boat.

And that's a shame, because we all have much better things to do.

It's time for the administration team to stop focusing on "managerial rights" and start focusing on what is best for Eastern as a whole.

Surely we can figure out a way to manage Eastern's resources—particularly its human resources—more productively.

Fern Kory, Professor of English

FROM AROUND THE STATE

Angel through each season

Renee Changnon
The Daily Vidette
Illinois State University

All it takes to realize the holiday season is upon us is the first falling of snow and the twinkling of Christmas lights wherever our path takes us.

As I walked home today, with the snow falling, I remembered the feeling of wonder and the twinkle in my eyes when I saw that mark of the beginning of the holidays as a child.

Hearing school was canceled, allowing us to make snow forts or falling down on the ground leaving a snow angel impression brought the simplest pleasures without a price tag.

Why is it that objects have become the bigger emphasis than truly experiencing a moment?

That pricey camera or expen-

sive perfume and even shopping sprees give us a temporary feeling of bliss, yet what's sad is that it doesn't necessarily bring us happiness.

Looking back at past holidays, even as a child, the funny thing is you typically don't remember what that gift was that you received.

What you remember are the people you spent your time with, like your family and friends.

College is an easy time to get wrapped up in the material things, and I am one who has faced that challenge as well.

Not having a camera this semester since mine broke has been difficult, yet somehow I've still managed to have a fun semester without it.

To read more go to videtteonline.com

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PREPARATION, from page 1

Six principals surveyed regarding placements from Eastern consistently reported active participation of the education school.

As a part of the study, Jackman said the education department provided the NCTQ with the names of 10 principals the council could contact.

“We involve our K-12 partners in many different ways,” Jackman said. “They help us in curriculum redesign and work with our teacher candidates during their practice and student teaching. Both teacher and administrators sit on our program advisory boards.”

All of Illinois public institutions participate in a survey operated by Eastern as an outgrowth of the state Teacher Data Warehouse. This Teacher Graduate Assessment provides feedback from hiring districts on their graduates’ job performance one year into their teaching careers.

In their study, the NCTQ examined the detail at the design of education schools to determine such criteria as whether graduates will be able to teach reading or manage a classroom, if they are sufficiently knowledgeable about their content area, if students know about different types of assessments and whether their mentors themselves are effective teachers.

Last year, the Illinois State Board of Education approved a policy that limited aspiring teachers to five attempts at passing the basic skills exam

The state also required applicants to pass all four subjects: reading, math, language arts and writing. Just 22 percent of test-takers passed in September under the new requirements, Linda Tomlinson, an IBSE assistant superintendent, told the *Chicago Tribune*.

Jackman said the university will be receiving the results for the basic skills test within the next week.

Universities ranked by the National Council on Teacher Quality Undergraduate Elementary Programs

Strong: Loyola University Chicago, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign and Chicago, Elmhurst College

Fair: Eastern Illinois University, DePaul University, Western Illinois University, Augustana College

Weak: Millikin University, North Central College, Northeastern Illinois University, Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville, Northern

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Failed: Illinois State University, Lewis University

Secondary Elementary Programs

Strong: Northwestern University, Principa College

Fair: Augustana College, Eastern Illinois University, Loyola University Chicago, Millikin University

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Source: National Council on Teacher Quality

The report found that too many schools fail to instruct prospective teachers on the most effective ways to teach reading, particularly to poor students. In those schools, professors load college students with irrelevant and unfocused coursework. They do not pair student teachers with effective mentors, a problem that stunts the development of tomorrow’s classroom professionals.

Jackman believes Eastern’s education program is more accurately assessed by the recent reaccreditations of the program from the National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education.

This accreditation process is a rigorous examination of all of the teacher education programs at Eastern.

The team that visited Eastern in early November looked at all of the data that Eastern provided to them, talked with students, alumni, faculty, staff, administrators, P-12 teachers and administrators, Jackman said.

One area the reaccreditation focused

on was follow-up studies of graduates and employers that indicate the graduates’ preparation in the content area.

Eighty-Five percent of graduates responded that they are moderately/extremely prepared for teaching in the primary subject/content area and supervisors respond that graduates are 91.7 percent moderately/extremely prepared.

“The team verbally indicated that EIU met or exceeded all of the standards for our NCATE reaccreditation,” Jackman added.

The Illinois Board of State Education is currently developing a data system to track new teachers from graduation into their careers and measure how well their students perform, but that will not be available until 2018.

NCTQ plans to broaden their study to include 1,400 education programs across the country in 2012, the *Chicago Tribune* reported.

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One Acts



KIM FOSTER | THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

Jordan Sigunik and Andrew Buel practice Wednesday for “The Informer”, a play directed by Shelly Hanson for “An Evening of Student-Directed One Acts.”

Three students directed acts that were performed Friday at 7 p.m., the first night of the weekend show, at The Black Box Theatre in the Doudna Fine Arts Center. “An Evening of Student Directed One-Acts,” gave Shelly Hanson, Ashley Corbett and Jacob Foster the opportunity to direct their own production. The three acts included “The Informer,” “27 Wagons Full of Cotton” and “Sorry, Wrong Number.”

ELECTIONS, from page 1

Henry has been on senate for two semesters and is running as a Party for United Leaders Supporting Excellence (PULSE) candidate along with eight other students.

“PULSE is dedicated to listening to students and using what they hear to help serve the student body,” Henry said. Henry is also a co-chair with Tommy Nierman, who is also running, on student government’s leadership organization, Senators in Training.

Henry was appointed by Sandidge to work along side Nierman.

“I enjoy being on student government and will work my hardest to represent the students and achieve what they want,” Rebecca Johnson said.

Johnson, a sophomore social science major, has been on senate for one semester and is working with Henry and Mary Lane on “What Can You Do with Your Major”.

Kaylia Eskew, a freshman journalism major, plans on continuing her work with student government’s academic affairs committee.

Eskew has never been on senate, but is currently in the SIT program.

“I have learned a great deal through SIT and through observing the senate meetings and because of that I would be able to jump right in,” Eskew said.

“I love Eastern and want everyone that walks through Charleston to love it just as much as me. ”

Mary Lane, candidate

Samples has been on senate one semester and is one of three senators was selected to attend the Conference of Student Government Associations (COSGA) at Texas A&M.

Mary Lane, a sophomore athletic training major, is currently the chair of student government’s internal affairs committee.

“I love Eastern and want everyone that walks through Charleston to love it just as much as me,” Lane said.

Alex Boyd, Nierman, John Griffin, Neil Majd, and Caitlin Nagle could not be reached for comments.

Nike Ogunbodede can be reached at 581-7942 or ovogunbodede@eiu.edu

The candidates	Year/Major	Semesters on senate	Projects
Kaci Abolt	Sophomore, political science major	One	Information not provided
Alex Boyd	Sophomore, political science	Two	Chillin’ for Charity
Kaylia Eskew	Freshman, journalism	None	Eskew in Senators in Training (SIT)
Holly Henry	Sophomore, political science	One	(Along with Nierman) created SIT
Rebecca Johnson	Sophomore, social science with teachers certification	One	Alumni projects, informing students what they can do after graduation
Mary Lane	Sophomore, athletic training	Two	Internal relations chair and member of Panther Nation
Tommy Nierman	Junior, business	Four	Information not provided
James Patton	Junior, poltical science	One	Information not provided
Zach Samples	Freshman, history with teacher’s certification	One	Information not provided
Kyle Scherle	Freshman, kinseiology	One	Information not provided

PARKING, from page 1

Due said the budget staffs the people who write tickets and sell the permits to students.

The cost of permits on Eastern’s campus is similar to other state universities. Western Illinois University and

Northern Illinois University both have permit fees of about \$70 a year for students who live on campus.

Southern Illinois University at Carbondale charges \$52 for student parking permits. Illinois State University’s

parking cost students \$376 a year and University of Illinois charges \$480 for nine months of parking on campus.

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- 6 Playboy centerfold, e.g.
- 11 Col. Sanders's restaurant
- 14 Go round and round
- 15 Tennis champ Agassi
- 16 "... ____ he drove out of sight"
- 17 Aid for a person with a limp
- 19 Yang's counterpart
- 20 Sound from a mouse
- 21 Blue Ribbon beer brewer
- 23 Brussels ____
- 26 Arabian V.I.P.'s
- 27 River past Westminster Palace
- 28 Party handouts
- 30 "That's ____!" ("Not true!")
- 31 Cosmetician Adrien
- 32 Machine tooth
- 35 ____ Alamos, N.M.
- 36 Drug from Colombia
- 38 "Long ____ and far away ..."
- 39 Virgil's 61
- 40 Long-armed ape, for short
- 41 Late West Virginia senator Robert
- 42 W.W. II admiral Chester
- 44 Island where many a 40-Across lives
- 46 Disheveled
- 48 Most boneheaded
- 49 One out of prison
- 50 Mick Jagger and bandmates, informally
- 52 ____ carte
- 53 1941 Orson Welles classic
- 58 Architect I. M. ____
- 59 French word before cuisine or couture
- 60 Respected tribe member
- 61 ID on an I.R.S. form
- 62 ____ a positive note
- 63 Actress Winona

DOWN

- 1 Opposite NNE
- 2 Old "Up, up and away" carrier
- 3 Texaco's business
- 4 Irritating
- 5 In-group
- 6 Senate gofers
- 7 Early Peruvian

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PUZZLE BY HOLDEN BAKER

- 8 Fargo's home: Abbr.
- 9 Keats's "Ode on a Grecian ____"
- 10 Hotel room door feature
- 11 Nixon's Florida home
- 12 Pat down, as for weapons
- 13 Number after a decimal in a price
- 18 Items in a Planters can
- 22 ____ Lingus
- 23 Play for time
- 24 Showy flowers
- 25 Creating a ruckus
- 26 Stereotypical Swedish man's name
- 28 Writer Kafka
- 29 Fat as ____
- 31 Nervous as ____
- 33 Fairy tale monsters
- 34 Whom Vladimir and Estragon were waiting for, in a Beckett play
- 36 War chief Black Horse's tribe
- 37 Copier input: Abbr.
- 41 In a quick and lively manner
- 43 Judge in the O. J. Simpson trial
- 44 Common shape for a dog biscuit
- 45 First game of the season
- 46 Harvests
- 47 Connections for car wheels
- 48 Egg carton count
- 50 Poker variety
- 51 Latin jazz great Puente
- 54 Author Fleming or McEwan
- 55 Put two and two together
- 56 Jacqueline Kennedy ____ Bouvier
- 57 Blunder

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NATION

Favre has sprained shoulder from hard hit

By The Associated Press

MINNEAPOLIS — Brett Favre has become something of a medical expert through the years, a quarterback who has minored in pain management as he has put together a streak of consecutive starts that stands among the most impressive records in all of sports.

Yet even a 41-year-old who has played 20 seasons in the league still can learn something new, and Favre is now faced with a pain and an injury that he's never felt before.

Favre sprained the sternoclavicular joint in his throwing shoulder af-

ter getting crunched by Bills linebacker Arthur Moats on Sunday, an injury that leaves the Minnesota Vikings quarterback unsure of whether he will be able to start his 298th straight regular season game next week.

"If we were talking ankles or elbows, thumbs or something like that, I would probably be a little more up to date on how to deal with it," Favre said after the Vikings beat the Bills, 38-14. "First time in 20 years I have ever done anything like that, so it is kind of surprising."

The SC joint is located where the collarbone meets the breastbone. The more common shoulder injury for

athletes is an AC joint sprain. According to Harvard Health Publications, SC joint sprains occur most often "when a driver's chest strikes the steering wheel during an auto accident, or when a person is crushed by an object."

For Favre, it was the latter case.

On the third play of the game Sunday, Moats came flying off the right edge and blindsided Favre just as he was about to throw a pass.

The 250-pound linebacker flattened Favre, landing on top of him as he drove the quarterback into the turf.

The pass fluttered and was intercepted by Drayton Florence, and Fa-

vre was slow to get up. He staggered to the sidelines and was replaced by Tarvaris Jackson on the next series.

"He took a pretty good lick in the back as he was coming back and getting ready to throw the ball," said running back Adrian Peterson, who picked up the slack with 107 yards and three TDs.

"I know that didn't feel good. I don't know the extent of his injury or what's wrong with him, but obviously for him not to come back in, it's must've been painful."

Favre headed to the locker room with athletic trainer Eric Sugarman for an X-ray, which revealed no bro-

ken bones and returned to the sideline later in the second quarter.

During the game, the team called his return questionable, but Favre said there was no way he could have been effective if he had to go back in the game.

Through it all, Favre has been in the huddle at the start of every game for the Vikings, and he made it clear that he wants that to continue if he is physically able.

"For me, I have always been willing," he said. "The reward has always been great enough. I just enjoy playing. ... I would love to finish this out, this whole year."

DIFFERENCE, from page 8

"They're a very good team, so this is a very good win," Mitchell said.

Austin Peay made it hard to get a win, Mitchell said.

"Coach was telling us we have to work hard against this team because they are a pretty tough team," Mitchell said. "And you saw that they are. They played hard and weren't letting up, so we just kept going."

Sophomore guards Ta'Kenya Nixon and Kelsey Wyss led the team in minutes, playing 32. Wyss scored nine points and had three assists, while

Nixon notched 10 points and added four assists and three steals.

Eastern only committed 10 turnovers compared to 22 by Austin Peay. The Panthers converted 22 Austin Peay turnovers into 22 points of their own.

The Panthers next game is Wednesday on the road against Indiana State. Tip-off is set for 4:30 p.m.

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LOSE, from page 8

"(The game) came down to turning the ball over and rebounding," Miller said.

The Panthers committed 19 turnovers, 11 of which came in the second half. Austin Peay dominated in terms of rebounding.

The Governors out rebounded Eastern 37-31, 22 of the 37 rebounds were offensive rebounds.

The 22 Austin Peay offensive rebounds mark the highest total the Panthers have given up this season.

Sophomore forward Sean Pratl led the Panthers with a career-high 21 points on 8-of-9 shooting from the field. He also pulled down seven rebounds.

"(Rebounding) was bad. I think we gave up 13 offensive rebounds in the first half, and it was going good until there was five minutes left in the game. That's when (Austin Peay) started getting a lot of three-point plays," Pratl said.

Edmonson had 33 points and 10 rebounds, seven of which were


offensive rebounds.

Miller said the Panthers will not dwell on this game because they need to forget about this loss if they are going to be successful the rest of the year.

"We played well in spurts. We know what needs to get fixed. It's a long year, and there is a lot of road ahead of us," Miller said.

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By The Associated Press

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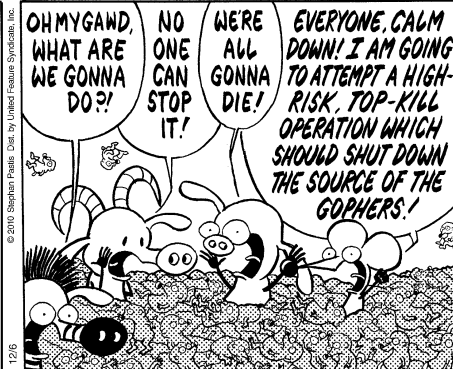
Illini Athletic Director Ron Guenther said Sunday in a news release that the bowl is a great destination and a good reward for a season of improvement.


The Illini finished 6-6 (4-4 Big Ten) a year after going 3-9. Illinois closed its season Friday with a 25-23 loss to Fresno State.


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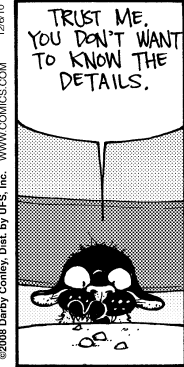





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Alex McNamee

Peay is not just going away now

Yes, it's important to beat their arch nemesis, Austin Peay, this early in the Ohio Valley Conference season, but the women's basketball team hasn't seen the last of the Govs.

They will go to Austin Peay Feb. 24, and will likely be seeing them in March in the OVC tournament.

Look back to last season, the team went 1-1 vs. Austin Peay in the regular season. In the tournament, they lost in the title game to the Govs.

The Panthers win against Peay came nine days before they lost to them in the title game.

The year before last, the Panthers beat Peay twice in the regular season, but lost in the title game in double overtime to the Govs.

Right now, it will be nice to celebrate this win, proving that they are still the cream of the crop in the OVC. But the team cannot take it too far.

Yes, bringing up bad memories after a happy win is not the best thing to do, but let this serve as a warning to the team that they are not out of the woods yet.

They might have beaten Peay once, but there is still one more, if not two games to go before they can say that they have the Govs' number.

The good thing is I think the team knows that.

They can prove themselves in March. Everything before that is just building wins, confidence, experience and momentum.

At times Saturday, the Panthers looked far better than Peay, but not all the time. The Panthers looked tired at times, which is because Peay never gave up and they kept testing the Panthers.

Eastern got into some foul trouble. Mariah King fouled out of the game, ending with 12 points; however, Hillary Held was there to pick up the slack.

Although Held did a great job, King has to be careful not to foul out when she has to go up against a player like Jasmine Rayner, of Peay. The Panthers are 4-4, now 2-0 in the OVC. They are off to a very good start. They beat Austin Peay, but it wasn't easy.

The most positive thing I saw Saturday, above all, was that it seemed like every player on Eastern's squad knew the importance of the game, playing that team.

From Sydney Mitchell to Jordyne Crunk, the Panthers carried themselves like they had to prove themselves and beat a bitter rival.

From the tip off, I felt like this wasn't an ordinary game. That's a great feeling. The Panthers will have to get used to that because I think they might be seeing Peay two more times before it's all said and done.

A great win, yes, but more a big step in the right direction this season.

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WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

Mitchell makes big difference

Panthers sneak by rival Austin Peay

By Alex McNamee
Sports Editor

Sophomore forward Sydney Mitchell's 16 point-five assist-five rebound night led the Panthers to a win, 79-58, over rival Austin Peay Saturday.

From the first offensive rebound Mitchell made, head coach Brady Sallee said he knew she was ready to play.

"She came ready to play and was a huge, huge difference," Sallee said.

Mitchell said she was just playing her game, as she led the team in scoring and assists.

She was second on the team in rebounds. Sallee said Mitchell helped the team in the second half keep a lead on Austin Peay, which was fighting back.

The Panthers never let their foot off the gas.

"When it was winning time, I thought we stepped up and made some shots," Sallee said.

Between the two teams, there were 42 fouls, but Eastern survived, especially when sophomore forward Mariah King got into foul trouble.

Junior forward Hillary Held came into the game off the bench and played 14 minutes. She scored nine points.

"Coach kind of hinted (I would play) in a couple days of practice,



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Chantelle Pressley, a junior forward, and Kelsey Wyss, a sophomore guard, double team Austin Peay's Brooke Faulkner Saturday afternoon in Lantz Arena. The Panthers beat the Governors 79-58.

so I knew that if Mariah got into foul trouble and Taryn got into foul trouble that I'd be going out there," Held said.

Sallee said the plan going into the game was to get Held some minutes, but when players like King, junior forward Chantelle Pressley, and freshman forward

Taryn Olson got into foul trouble, she had to play long minutes.

"She was able to finish," Sallee said. "Now I feel like if we can build on that. We have a three-headed monster down there."

King fouled out of the game late in the second half, finishing with 12 points and two rebounds.

Beating Austin Peay was a big win for the team, according to Held.

"It shows everybody else that we are for real," Held said.

Mitchell said beating a team like Austin Peay, being as good as they are, is huge for Eastern.

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MEN'S BASKETBALL

Panthers lose 13-point lead, fall in OT

Team gives up 22 rebounds in home game

By Rob Mortell
Assistant Sports Editor

With about 30 seconds to go in overtime, the Panthers had the ball with a chance to tie the game.

Junior guard Jeremy Granger dribbled left off a pick and was met by two Austin Peay players. Granger got the shot off with contact, but no foul was called and Austin Peay got the rebound.

"I knew time was running out. I just wanted to go to the hole strong and try to get a basket. I felt like there was contact, but the referee said (the defender) went straight up and there was no call," Granger said.

After that, Austin Peay guard Tyshawn Edmondson knocked down two free-throws to seal the victory.

At one point in the game, Eastern's men's basketball team held a 13-point lead, but it was unable to

hold on for a win, losing 77-73 in overtime.

The Panthers came back from nine points down in the first half to take a lead as large as 13 with 9 minutes remaining in the game.

Then Austin Peay turned up the intensity with a full-court press, which enabled them to tie the game and force overtime.

Eastern had the final possession in the second half; however, Granger was unable to make a running lay-up as time expired.

Granger quickly put the Panthers in the lead in overtime with a lay-up, but a three-point shot and a three-point play put Austin Peay up by four with 1:41 remaining. From that point on, the Panthers never got closer than two points.

The loss dropped Eastern's record to 3-5 overall and 1-1 in the Ohio Valley Conference, while Austin Peay improved to 5-4 and 2-0 in the OVC.

Head coach Mike Miller said it was a tough loss to take because the Panthers had such a large lead in the second half.

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Shaun Pratl, a sophomore forward, struggles over the ball with an Austin Peay player Saturday evening in Lantz Arena. The Panthers lost to the Governors 73-77 in overtime.

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Texas A&M at Duke
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