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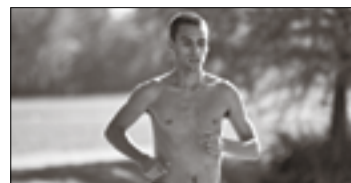
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The Music Man

Eastern welcomes new interim director of bands R. Alan Sullivan



KIMBERLY FOSTER | THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

R. Alan Sullivan, interim director of bands, leads the Panther marching band in exercises prior to practice Wednesday on the Tundra. Sullivan will also conduct the Eastern wind symphony.

By Nike Ogunbodede
Campus Editor

The Panther marching band is officially under new management.

After directing Eastern's marching band from 2008 to 2011, Barry Houser took a position at his old alma mater, the University of Illinois

at Urbana-Champaign, leaving his former position up for grabs.

R. Alan Sullivan chose to uproot his family from Nevada, where he previously worked as the director of Athletic Bands and associate director of bands to become Eastern's interim director of bands, the director of the Panther marching and wind sym-

phony.

After eight years at the University of Nevada-Reno, Sullivan said he was ready for a change.

"I was the No. 2 person there and here I am the interim director so that is a step up," Sullivan said.

Everyone in the band has been very open to the suggested ideas and

changes that have been made, Sullivan said.

On a day where it was 92 degrees, more than 100 sweaty Eastern students gathered on the Tundra to continue its daily practices, Sullivan said he was not surprised that band members showed up.

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DINING

Lack of trays prompts discussion

By Kathryn Richter
Staff Reporter

Colleges across the nation are diminishing the use of trays in on-campus dining halls in an effort to reduce costs and to implement environmentally friendly practices.

This practice has now been applied to Thomas and Taylor Dining Halls during the current fall semester; Carman Dining went trayless during the 2010-2011 school year.

However, some Eastern students are uncertain about whether or not removing trays from the dining halls is beneficial to them.

Although initiatives across the nation promoting trayless dining are increasing rapidly in the wake of a more environmentally consciousness society, many administrators implementing these policies are receiving backlash from students.

Rudy Rodriguez, an art major with teacher certification, said he thought the new policy could be fundamentally better or could cause more disruption than it is worth.

"(It could) go either way," Rodriguez said.

The hassle of multiple trips is likely to deter students from taking more food than needed, Rodriguez said.

Kejuan Meeks, a junior sociology major, is a student checker at Taylor Dining and said trayless dining has left more work for those working in Dining Services.

"Without the trays, a lot of people leave bowls and silverware," Meeks said. "They don't feel like going back and forth to clean up after themselves."

Mark Hudson, the director of University Housing and Dining



MARCUS SMITH | ASSISTANT ONLINE EDITOR

Diamond Bell, a freshman accounting major, and Amber James, a freshman psychology major, talk after finishing dinner Wednesday at Taylor Dining Hall.

Services, said he is glad Eastern decided to give the system a chance.

"I think it will take a little bit of adjustments," Hudson said.

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CITY

Sports bar to replace Georgie Boy's

By Sara Hall
City Editor

While the abrupt closing of local diner Georgie Boy's surprised many Charleston residents, they can take comfort knowing the restaurant will soon reopen under new ownership as a sports bar.

Reggie Phillips, Unique Homes manager and owner of the Georgie Boy's property, said his company will be reopening Georgie Boy's, which closed in June, under a new name with a completely different theme and different food.

Phillips said the new restaurant will also have a bar that seats 15 people and will serve alcoholic drinks such as margaritas and draft and imported beers, a change he said he thinks will please customers.

"It's going to be a really nice place to get food and drinks at a fair price," he said.

Phillips said he got the idea for a sports bar after a restaurant in a local college town incorporated the alcohol appeal as well as an inviting atmosphere for families looking for an enjoyable meal.

Phillips said he is currently working on revamping the menu to be comparable to other sports bars such as Buffalo Wild Wings.

He said the restaurant will serve bar-friendly foods including appetizers, chicken and turkey wraps, handmade specialty burgers and French fries.

Although the restaurant will have a bar, Phillips said he still thinks the restaurant will be a place all ages will enjoy.

"We're going strictly after the campus crowd, but anybody can come in with a family," he said. "I think people are going to like it."

Tracy Baker, a sophomore family and consumer sciences major, said she is excited to see the restaurant to take on a new spin.

"I think it will be different and good for the town if they can do well," she said.

Phillips said because he no longer wishes for the restaurant to be named Georgie Boy's, he is currently working on developing a new name for the establishment.

He said he is even open to suggestions from Eastern students.

Phillips said if he decides to use a student's suggested name idea, he will award the student 50 free meals when the restaurant reopens.

Call Unique Homes at (217) 345-5022 for name suggestions.

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Reggie Phillips, Unique Home manager and owner of the Georgie Boy's property

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Jam session



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Students walking past Thomas Hall Wednesday afternoon could hear some improvised lyrics from Andy Coules, freshman undecided major, as he played the guitar and sang about anything from losing his wallet to complimenting passerby's clothing choices. Coules was joined by his friend Robby Mitsos, a freshman biology major, who chimed in with his own improvised lyrics.

OFF-CAMPUS HOUSING

Charleston apartments thrive despite decreased enrollment

By Sara Hall
City Editor

Although enrollment at Eastern for the fall 2011 semester has declined, local apartment complexes are not feeling the effect of this decrease in the number of students.

Logan Graves, senior leasing consultant for Campus Pointe Apartments, said the fall 2011 semester has been the complex's most profitable year to date.

"This year has been record-breaking in terms of number of tenants and space available," she said. "It's been the best year for the property since our company has owned it."

Graves said Campus Pointe, which leases two and three bedroom apartments, only has a few three-bedroom apartments left.

Linda Ceeley, employee of Youngstown Apartments, said Youngstown only has a few vacancies

open for prospective tenants.

"We've been really fortunate," she said.

Sharon Turner, property manager for Lincolnwood Apartments, said the complex has not been negatively affected because students continue to show a need for apartments.

"It's not devastating at this point," she said. "We know enrollment is down, but there's still a need for one bedrooms and studios."

Jennifer Carver, property manager of Youngstown Apartments, said renters began signing leases for the complex's 88 apartments early in the year.

"We usually start renting right before and after Christmas," she said.

Carver said she believes the reason apartment complexes have thrived is because they cater to a variety of customers' needs.

"We have a combination of family and student rentals," she said. "We

also usually have a lot of graduate kids, even couples, working people. They're not all students."

Nancy Stone-Johnson, apartment manager for University Court, said although U-Court apartments are still considered on-campus housing, they still experienced the same renter increase as off-campus housing.

"Our apartments were fully leased in March, which was the earliest I've had all my apartments leased since four years I've been here," she said.

Although the demand for apartments has increased, managers for all apartments interviewed said rent prices have stayed consistent.

Ceeley said Youngstown Apartments has kept their prices the same for this school year to ease the burden on renters.

"We tried to hold it this year given the economy the way it was," she said.

Eastern students said they avoid

the renter rush for apartments by looking into apartments a year in advance.

Kathryn Sims, a senior elementary education major, lives in University Court this year and said her roommate and she began looking for apartments in October of last year.

"We were trying to get ahead of the game so we wouldn't end up homeless," she said.

Blake Andrews, a senior therapeutic recreation major, said he signed the lease for his apartment in Millennium Apartments in November of last year.

"The apartment complex fills up quickly, so I try to get (the apartment) as quickly as possible," he said. "It's easier to find an apartment the earlier you go."

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THEATRE ARTS

'High Art' takes the stage

By Samantha McDaniel
Activities Editor

Students and community members can see a unique twist on dancing, when the Pendulum Aerial Arts comes to Eastern.

The Pendulum Aerial Arts will perform their show High Art at the Doudna Fine Arts Center in The Theatre on Thursday, Friday, and Saturday.

"The performance group is a dance group, but it's a little bit more," said Dan Crews, director of patron services at the Doudna Fine Arts Center.

Crews feels the Pendulum Aerial Arts offers a unique experience for Eastern students.

"If you start with the flexibility of a contortionist and fearlessness of a trapeze, the athleticism of a gymnast and the grace of the dancers makes it unique," Crews said. "It is really unique, especially for our stage. What we try to do is offer unique experience for students and the people in the community."

Suzanne Kenney, the artistic director and founder for Pendulum Aerial Arts said she feels High Arts is a journey.

"(High Arts) is a surreal portrait of the soul. It is the journey of someone's life," Kenney said.

Kenney said the program is called "High Arts" because the story is told

"('High Arts') is a surreal portrait of the soul. It is the journey of someone's life."

Suzanne Kenney, founder of Pendulum Aerial Arts

through works of art. Some of works that inspired the performance include eight paintings, such as Gustav Klimt's "The Kiss" and Pablo Picasso's "A Girl Before a Mirror."

"They (the Pendulum Aerial Arts) recreate works of art on stage through dance movements," Crews said.

A gallery of the artworks that inspired the show will be displayed outside The Theatre before each show.

"The show is inspired by works of art because I believe the human body to be a work of art," Kenney said. "And the dancers are the canvas."

Kenney said she thinks the audience will be amazed by the pure athleticism of the dancers.

"I think the audience will find it interesting," Kenney said. "I'm a really good story teller and there is a strong emotional connection to the

story."

This is the first time Pendulum Aerial Arts: High Arts has been performed outside its hometown of Portland, Oregon.

"Our stage seems tailored for them," Crews said.

Crews also said that the height and the equipment available in the Theatre work well for the performers.

"The stage is wonderful, and Doudna Fine Arts Center is beautiful," Kenney said. "The crew has been great and even the student staff has been so nice."

The High Art group is made up of 11 dancers.

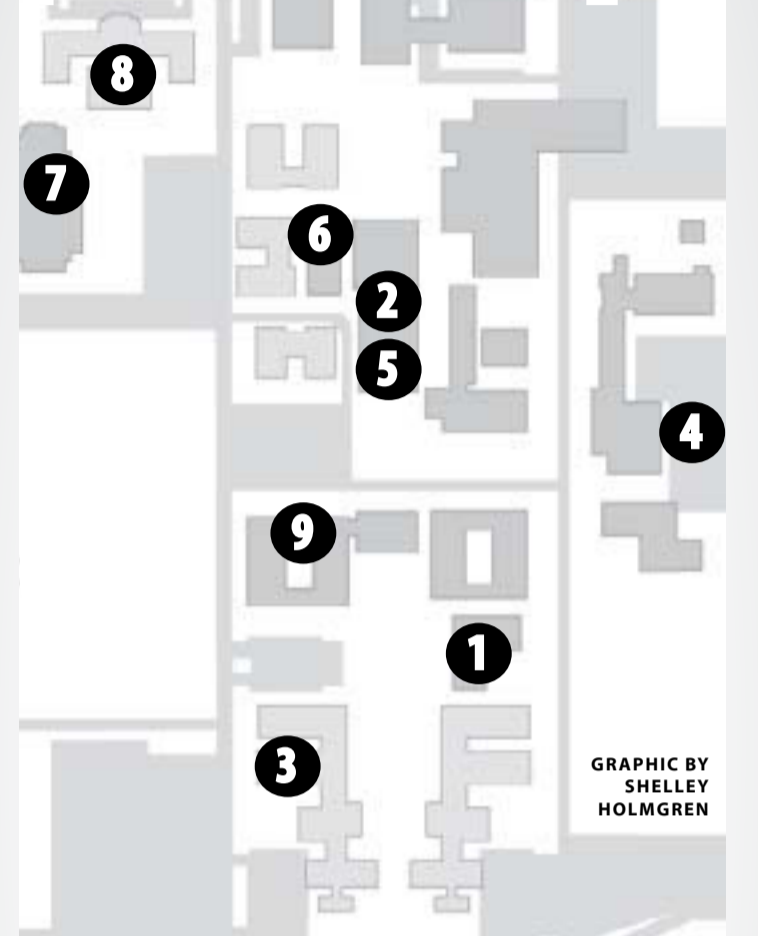
"I've been a performer for 16 years," Kenney said. "Most of the dances have been with us for four or five years. The least someone has been with us is almost a year," she said.

There will be a question and answer session with the performers after each show, Kenney said. The show is about two hours long with an intermission and a "talk-back" session, she said.

Performances will take place on Thursday and Friday at 7:30 p.m. and on Saturday at 2 p.m. Tickets are \$10 for students and \$20 to the general public and can be purchased at the Doudna box office.

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Top 9 unused, but useful, places on campus



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1) Career Services, located in the Health Services Center building, provides resume building workshops, mock interview sessions, networking tips and job fairs.

2) The free reference printing lab is located on the second floor of Booth Library and is great for students who need to have professional sources for papers for class. The free printing applies to only programs on the Booth Library server.

3) The computer virus labs are open for all students, in Carman, Taylor or Stevenson Halls, who are having issues with their computers and cannot pay for it to be fixed off campus. It is free.

4) Free movies are shown by the University Board and available almost every Friday and Saturday at 7 p.m. located in the Buzzard Auditorium.

5) The Booth Library media collection (video and music) is great if

students do not want to go to Family Video.

6) The Gregg Technology Lab has computers for students to use and also checks out cameras, video cameras, headphones, MacBook laptops, cables and webcams to students for a set period of time.

7) The Student Recreation Center provides different classes and different intramural teams. You paid for it. Use it.

8) Stevenson Reservation Only Dining allows students to have "elegant" meals by swiping with meal cards. Students will need to register online before going to eat. Groups are welcomed and required to register together.

9) The Writing Center is located on the third floor of Coleman Hall (3110) where students can schedule times to go over essays and general papers. It is also free.

ACADEMIC AFFAIRS

CAA faces curriculum change

By Rachel Rodgers
Administration Editor

Members of the Council on Academic Affairs face curriculum restructuring in the coming weeks to comply with federal financial aid law, according to Chris Mitchell, chair of the CAA.

"This law will create a bit of business as a lot of departments may be affected by the law as it prohibits financial aid from being offered to students who need to take a course more than twice," Mitchell said.

According to the Standards of Academic Progress Policy, students are allowed to take the same course twice if they receive a failing grade and receive financial aid.

"Financial aid will not pay a

student to attempt a class for the third time," Mitchell said.

Mitchell said that in order to comply with the law, class course numbers could be changed so students will not be penalized by the policy.

He said the process of this starts at the departmental level.

"It will then go up the chain to individual curriculum committees and, after that, it will be brought up to us," Mitchell said.

The first CAA meeting this semester is at 2 p.m. today in Booth Library Room 4440.

Doug Klarup, a member of the CAA, said he does not expect the meeting to include much discussion because in the agenda, there are no new items to be acted upon.

"There will be an orientation to

begin the meeting, which is just a way to show members the ropes for CAA," Klarup said.

Mitchell said the orientation will involve reminding members to review the CAA bylaws and templates.

Mitchell said the agenda for today's meeting is relatively short and they will be reviewing reports that have accumulated over the summer, but there are no issues up for debate.

"There will be a more substantial agenda next week as courses come up the pike," Mitchell said. "It has been very interesting work to see the ins and outs of how courses are structured."

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STAFF EDITORIAL

Dining halls should not be tweeting

Eastern Housing and Dining Services got Facebook and Twitter accounts in July, joining the many departments and organizations with Facebooks and Twitters.

There are millions of people, places and things on both social networking sites, but we want to ask: Where should the line be drawn?

Is @EIUHousing really a necessary Twitter? Does Housing and Dining really need a Facebook page?

Jeremy Alexander, coordinator of residential life, told *The Daily Eastern News* in Wednesday's edition that Housing and Dining is trying to communicate with students as much as possible.

We understand they have good motives, even good intentions, for launching themselves on the two popular social networking websites, but we don't understand why it's necessary.

The university is on both Facebook and Twitter already. We believe it is a useful way for Eastern to connect with prospective students, current students and alumni.

We like that the university as a whole is using social networking, and we like that departments like music use social networking because those can be valuable resources for recruiting students and contacting alumni.

But what can Housing and Dining do on its own Twitter or Facebook that they wouldn't be able to do on the University's accounts?

Some of the recent "tweets" include, "Having a blast at First Night in the South Quad!" and "It's awesome at Quakin' in the Quad!"

Other Tweets include links to the Eastern website, where students can check out dining menus and hours.

Alexander also created Facebook pages for each residence hall on campus to allow those living in the halls to communicate with each other.

We believe Eastern should be promoting more face-to-face interaction and encourage students to get out of their rooms and meet people, rather than giving them another excuse to sit on their bums in front of their laptops.

Part of college is getting to know new people by going to campus events, talking with people in classes and dining halls, and going to floor meetings in your residence hall.

All of these involve students getting out of bed, turning off their computers and TVs and being social - not on social networks.

To be fair, Housing and Dining is only playing into the rapid trend toward social everything. We think students don't need every dining hall detail delivered to their Facebook or Twitter. If you want to know what's going on, walk downstairs and check.

Housing and Dining doesn't need to be wasting time on social networks talking with students about housing and dining.

It's not worth the time it takes to "tweet" or update Facebook, especially when you're

COLUMN

The convenient truth about inconvenient food

Ever since the first caveman dropped a wooly mammoth steak on his campfire, humans have been home chefs.

Since then, the number of ingredients at the average person's disposal has steadily expanded and we have so much more than the hunks of prehistoric meat our ancestors had to make do with. One would think that we would do more with these ingredients than heating them up in the microwave.

Unfortunately, the closest that most of us interact with the ingredients that make up the food we eat is when we try to read them on the side of the mac and cheese box.

As tasty and convenient as it is to eat the orange food made of whey, corn syrup solids, maltodextrin, palm oil, modified food starch, medium chain triglycerides, sodium tripolyphosphate and other difficult-to-pronounce chemicals, you probably couldn't picture them all individually in your head. I certainly have no idea what guar gum looks like before I pour it on noodles along with everything else in the powdered cheese packet.

The goal of this column is not to bash people who have eaten boxed, canned or frozen convenience food, because all of us have. I just want to share the great experience I've had this summer making my own meals from scratch.



Doug T. Graham

mer making my own meals from scratch.

The reason I started cooking my food from scratch was the same reason I've bothered to acquire most of my skills: I had no other choice.

This summer was the first I've spent away from my parents, so I was cut off from my father's cooking and the food of Eastern's dining halls. It was either make food myself or die.

I suppose I could have stocked my apartment's pantry with canned vegetable soup, but after I realized how fun and cheap it is to cook half a diced onion in butter for five minutes, add chicken stock, spices and chopped vegetables and cook until done, I resolved to see how long I could go without convenience meals. Since then, the number of canned, boxed and frozen meals I've made could be counted on one hand.

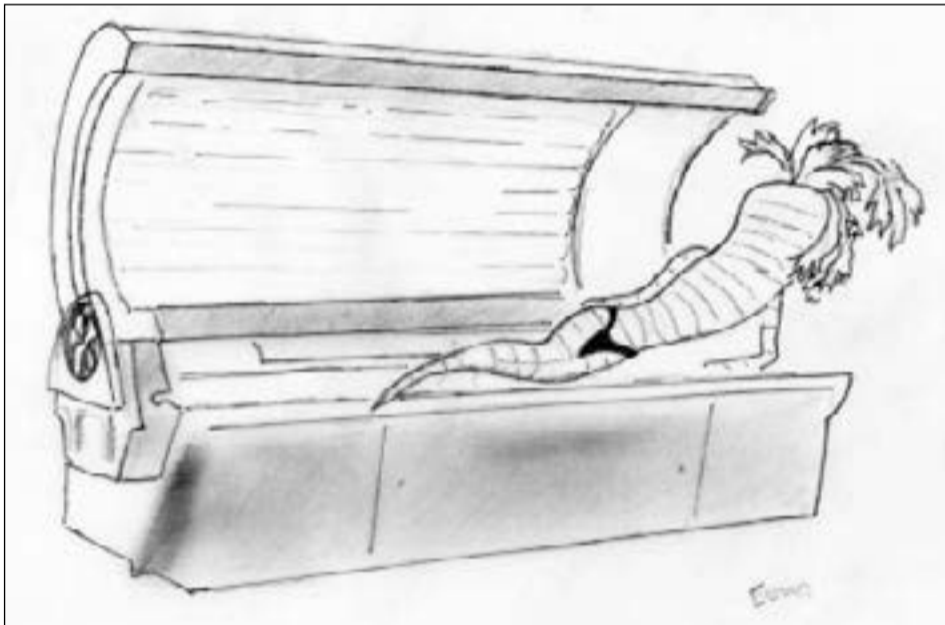
After that first soup in May, I gradually became more and more ambitious in my culinary creations. I braised my first pork chop in June, made chicken stir-fry with homemade Thai peanut sauce in July and made my own Chicken McNuggets (nicknamed McDouggets so I don't get sued) earlier this month.

Last weekend I made perhaps the ultimate homemade pizza. I spent Saturday making the dough, sauce and even the cheese from scratch with ease and much pleasure. The only non-homemade thing in the pizza were the toppings: slices of fried ham that I didn't make from scratch because I don't think tenants are allowed to raise and slaughter their own pigs in Charleston apartments.

I am not going to claim that I had the time to make my own dinners seven days a week and not all of it was great. As my class work begins ramping up, I foresee more meals out of a bag than I'd prefer. I hope with planning and effective use of leftovers that I will be able to eat my own food more often than not.

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FROM THE EASEL



ETHAN KINSELLA | THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

COLUMN

What 1,652 skeptics do in Las Vegas in July

The ground floor of South Point Casino in Las Vegas is a sea of gullibility. Located a few miles south of the Strip, the Mediterranean palace's gilded windows reflect an undistinguished swath of Las Vegas Boulevard that give it an air of opulence it could never expect if it were seated among its better known brethren to the north.

But inside, it's like any other casino: vacationing hopefuls feeding pensions and paychecks into slot machines and onto tables, confident the next \$500 will come back to them tenfold.

So it was with a hint of irony that the world's largest gathering of self-professed skeptics took place in the conference center on the second floor July 14-17. The Amazing Meeting (TAM), bills itself as "an annual celebration of science, skepticism and critical thinking." More than 1,600 skeptics attended the conference, most referring to it, not just as a celebration, but as a movement.

Society (and the Internet) teems with individuals and groups claiming to be "skeptics." For example, there are "climate skeptics" who don't believe in climate science, "Darwin/evolution skeptics" who don't believe in biology or paleontology, "vaccine skeptics" who don't believe in modern medicine and "9/11 skeptics" who don't believe in anything that contradicts their assertion that the government planned the 9/11 attacks.

The skeptics at TAM were generally skepti-



Dave Balson

cal of the skeptics listed above, but also about homeopathic medicine, ghosts, dowsing, God, faith healing, psychics, UFOs and almost anything having to do with the supernatural, the pseudo-scientific or Deepak Chopra.

The majority of the weekend was devoted to lectures and workshops, often led by prominent scientists and authors like astrophysicist Neil deGrasse Tyson, host of the PBS series NOVA ScienceNow and director of the Hayden Planetarium; evolutionary biologist Richard Dawkins, author of several best-sellers and probably the world's best-known atheist; and Bill Nye, whose television show Bill Nye the Science Guy introduced millions of youngsters to the wonders of science in the mid-'90s.

It is neither a coincidence nor an act of God that these ritual debunkers meet at TAM. The Amazing Meeting is the brainchild of James "The Amazing" Randi, who gained international notoriety in the early '70s when he debunked the "mystical" abilities of Uri Geller, a self-proclaimed psychic who used his superior mental

abilities to bend spoons, of all things.

Randi's decades-long battle against purveyors of pseudoscience, or "flim-flam" as he calls it, led him to found the James Randi Educational Foundation (JREF) in 1996.

TAM is clearly Randi's party. Besides being named—or maybe nicknamed—after him, speakers and attendees expressed nothing but the kindest words and highest praise for this godfather of the movement. All the reverence and devotion garnered by The Amazing One can come off as a kind of atheist idolatry. But meeting Randi, it's not hard to understand why he is so beloved by his fellow skeptics.

An experienced magician, perhaps Randi's greatest illusion is not of his own design. His 82-year-old body hunches well below 5 feet and his long white beard, reminiscent of an elderly Charles Darwin, projects a bit as he looks up at whomever he is talking to. But watching him amble about all weekend, tirelessly hugging his guests, telling stories and signing autographs—listening to the passion he still has for his work—it's easy to forget how frail his shell appears to be....

Read more analysis of TAM, including interviews with speakers and attendees, online at dennews.com

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PANTHERPALOOZA



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PRIDE members Nico Canaday, a senior English major, Olivia Biggs, a sophomore family and consumer sciences major, and Erin Williams, a senior psychology major, talk to junior psychology majors Analysisia Aguilar and Brit-tany Thomas during Pantherpalooza Wednesday on the South Quad.

Students get a taste of RSOs

By Samantha McDaniel
 Activities Editor

Pantherpalooza brought together new and returning students Wednesday to find their own way of getting involved on campus.

Many different Registered Student Organizations and other organizations handed out information on the South Quad.

"Pantherpalooza is an opportunity to see what we have on campus," said Ceci Brinker, director of Student Life.

The organizations range from hunting, Greek life, sports and ice hockey, Brinker said.

The event is for both new and returning students and helps them find something they are interested in, said Kaci Abolt, the student vice president for student affairs.

There were more than 125 organizations registered for the event, Abolt said.

"It's a great way to get your name

out there," Abolt said.

Pantherpalooza gives organizations the opportunity to tell students what they are about and how the new members can participate in the group, she said.

RSOs could reach hundreds of students they would not normally be able to, Abolt said.

Also, students met and talked with more students who are involved in clubs than they usually would in one day, she said.

"We just filled our first page of emails, so we've had a lot of people stopping by," said Rachel Johnson, director of Best Buddies.

It is the first week, so all the freshmen and transfer students are looking for ways to get involved, Johnson said.

"We are trying to get more members," said Jessica Arteaga, a senior communication disorder and sciences major and a member of the Latin American Student Organization.

"There is such a small Latin population on campus, so we are trying to get our name out to other ethnicities too," Arteaga said.

Kim Ensign, a graduate assistant in the Student Community Service office, said she feels that Pantherpalooza is a good way to meet people around campus.

"(Student Community Service) likes to come to Pantherpalooza because depending on where you are on campus, there are a lot of students you never get to talk to," Ensign said. "It's good marketing."

There were 75 people who signed up in three hours, Ensign said.

Amanda Yamate, a senior marketing major, said she wanted to join something and heard Pantherpalooza was the place to do it.

"This is the most tables we've ever had there," Abolt said.

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ART EXHIBIT

Faculty show off art skills

By Samantha McDaniel
 Activities Editor

Faculty members have the opportunity to showcase their skills and their latest art work in the 2011 Art Faculty Exhibition.

The Tarble Arts Center will feature the 2011 Art Faculty Exhibition starting Aug. 26 that includes art displays from multiple Eastern art faculty members.

The exhibit showcases the artwork of many current, retired and deceased art faculty members.

"I think the faculty exhibit is a good way to showcase a great variety of art that the faculty can do and show what they are working on," said Michael Watts, director of the Tarble Arts Center.

Students can come see the skill of the art faculty and see how they contribute to the art society, Watts said.

The faculty artwork is featured in a range of ways from paintings, photographs and collages, to sculptures and graphic design.

The exhibit will feature artwork from Dorothy Bennett, an instructor

"Each faculty member has their own unique approach and materials in their art work. People will come away with what the faculty like to do."

Michael Watts, director of the Tarble Arts Center

in the art department, Jeff Boshart, an art professor, and Ann Coddington-Rast, an associate professor in art, among others.

The exhibit will also display some digital photos taken by Bill Hub-schmitt, an art professor who died on June 29.

"There is no one thing that students can come away with," Watts said. "Each faculty member has their own unique approach and materials in their art work. People will come away with what the faculty like to do."

This exhibit has taken place almost every year at the Tarble Arts

Center since it opened in 1982, Watts said.

Before Tarble was built the exhibit was shown in different places on campus including Old Main and the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union since about 1950, Watts said.

There will also be a gallery talk on Sept. 14 from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

The exhibit will be opened with a reception at Tarble Art Center from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. today, and everyone is invited, Watts said.

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GREEK LIFE

Recruitment begins

By Emily Provance
 Staff Reporter

The semester has begun and Eastern has been overrun with a mix of students adorned with Greek letters.

Greek Life recruitment happens each semester, but this year there is a little insight as to what the Greek community is doing and looking for in its recruits.

Eastern sororities chose to recruit new members starting Sept. 7.

Cori Christenholz, a junior nursing major and member of Alpha Phi, said her sorority looks for girls who have confidence and want to be involved.

"We also want girls that want to have a good time and that are going to feel relaxed and comfortable around us," Christenholz said.

Alex Kuhn, a senior psychology and nursing major, also from Alpha Phi, said during recruitment the Alpha Phi's try to make the girls feel comfortable because they know how stressful formal recruitment can be for the girls.

"We love to meet new girls and we don't want them to feel intimidated, so we lighten the atmosphere by wearing comfortable clothes like sweats and flip flops," Kuhn said.

Eastern fraternities are slightly different in the way they recruit new members.

Brandon Mendez, a sophomore finance major, is a member of Beta Theta Pi.

Mendez said their recruitment starts the first day they are on campus.

"We look for guys that show outstanding academics and high moral fiber," Mendez said. "We don't want guys that are going to get us in trouble with the law."

Ed Hotwagner, a senior math major, said the recruitment for sororities and fraternities at Eastern are very different

from each other.

Hotwagner is the former president of the Interfraternity Council.

"It's a lot less stressful," Hotwagner said. "Fraternity recruitment is more on the fraternity itself."

Aaron Wiessing, the current president of the Interfraternity Council, said fraternities look to recruit throughout the year and not just during the regular recruitment period.

"The process behind it is when a guy comes around and meets every fraternity regardless of the time," Wiessing said.

After a bid is placed, the recruit will go to the Greek Life office to sign an agreement to join the fraternity, Wiessing said.

Alicia Crampton, a junior art major, is now a member of Gamma Chi, a "sorority" that is comprised of members of other sororities activated only during recruitment times to help prospective members without the ability to influence their opinions.

"We help girls go through recruitment," Crampton said. "We take them to each house and answer any questions or concerns they have. You aren't allowed to say what sorority we are in until we are done with recruitment."

"You get to meet a lot of people, it looks good on your resume, and there are other girls who can really help you with your major," she said. "And it's fun."

Landon Hines, a senior business marketing major, said his fraternity, Alpha Phi Alpha, is going to be recruiting by getting their faces and letters out around campus.

"We look for someone with a good GPA who is service-minded, a hard worker, and is dedicated," Hines said.

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"This is what these kids do, we are outside when it's hot and humid and when it's cold and raining," he said.

Ashley Stanley, a junior pre-veterinary major, plays the trombone in the marching band and said she has high hopes for this semester.

Kayleigh Nuernberger, a sophomore music education major, who plays the sousaphone, said she has already seen growth in the material the band is able to perform.

Nuernberger said she would not have let Houser leaving keep her from continuing with band.

"I really like marching band so I was going to stick with it no matter what," she said.

Sullivan also brought his daughter, Michelle Sullivan, who is the only female in the marching band's snare drum line.

Michelle said she was nervous to be moving to Illinois on such short notice.

"It was nerve-wracking at first, but I felt really welcome," she said. "Marching band tends to be all one big family and it's great to be a part of that."

Eastern's marching band is a lot more serious than any other band that she has been a part of, Michelle said.

Michelle said it is a little weird to be in a band with her dad as the director.

"But I get to call him Mr. Sullivan," she said.

The weather is something that will take time to adjust to, Michelle said.

Sullivan said the band is prepared for the first football game and is ready to support the sport teams and represent the university.

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TRAYLESS, from page 1

Whether or not the added benefits of environmental conservatism and healthier eating outweigh the negatives is up for debate among students.

Eastern is not the only school abandoning traditional trays in favor of its cost and environmentally friendly alternative.

According to the Association for the Advancement of Sustainability in High Education's Sustainability Tracking Assessment and Rating System program, trayless dining reduces the waste of water and energy that was once used in washing the trays, as well as limiting the number of environmentally damaging cleaning solutions used.

The association said the health benefits of trayless dining will inevitably be

less food consumption and limited food waste.

USA Today reported in a July 2008 article that larger universities such as New York University, University of North Carolina and the University of Florida are all offering either the reduction, or elimination, of trays in dining halls throughout campuses.

Janelle Exson, a sophomore psychology major, said she considers trayless dining to be a necessary step for Eastern.

"I think it encourages you to eat less because you don't want to get up," Exson said.

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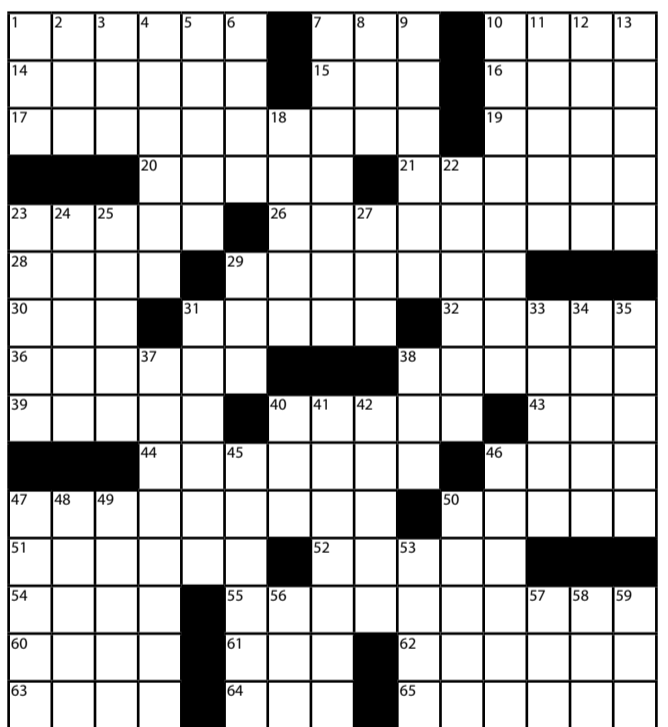
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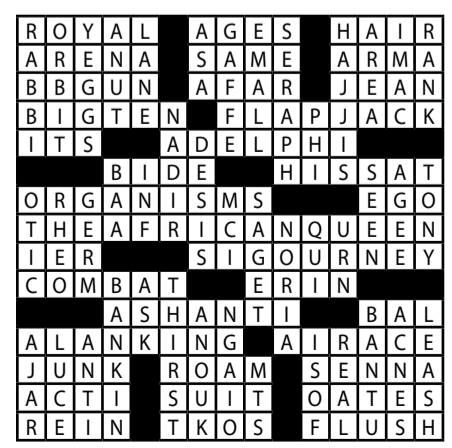
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INTRAMURAL SPORTS

Fall Intramurals imminent

Staff Report

The Student Recreation Center will begin its fall intramural sports season with wallyball and soccer both beginning Sept. 6. Registration is already underway for both sports and will continue until Aug. 30.

Other sports in the fall intramural season include dodgeball, basketball, flag football and volleyball. Dodgeball entries will be accepted from Aug. 31 to Sept. 6, with play beginning on Sept. 12. Basketball entries will be accepted from Sept. 7 to Sept. 13, with play beginning on Sept. 19. Flag football entries will be accepted from Sept. 28 to Oct. 4, with play beginning on Oct. 10. Volleyball entries will be accepted from Oct. 12 to Oct. 18, with play beginning on Oct. 24.

The intramural fall season offers sports for men and women, as well as co-ed events. Singles and doubles tournaments in a variety of sports, as well as special events in soccer, chess, basketball and powerlifting and others.

A list of full intramural sports, along with registration dates, deadlines and play times can be found at <http://www.eiu.edu/~crecsrc/schedulefall08.php>.



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 Brandon Woods of the team New Breeds takes a shot during an intramural basketball game on Feb. 8 versus team Loud in the student recreation center of Lantz Arena.

STATE Soriano homers in Cubs win

By The Associated Press

CHICAGO — Alfonso Soriano homered, Randy Wells pitched effectively into the seventh and the Chicago Cubs beat the Atlanta Braves 3-2 on Wednesday night.

Wells (5-4) held the Braves to one run and two hits over 6 2-3 innings, striking out six and improving to 4-1 in his career against Atlanta.

Carlos Marmol got the last three outs and joined Lee Smith as the only Cubs relievers to post consecutive 30-save seasons.

Soriano's two-run shot fueled Chicago's three-run rally in the second. He also walked and was hit by a pitch. Aramis Ramirez added a single and two walks, extending his hitting streak to 13 games.

Chipper Jones and Alex Gonzalez

hit a solo homers for Atlanta, which managed just three hits in the game.

Derek Lowe (8-12) took the loss, allowing four hits and two earned runs over seven innings, matching his longest outing of the season. Lowe threw a season-high 119 pitches.

The Cubs snapped the Braves' six-game winning streak and Atlanta remained 6½ games behind the Phillies in the NL East.

Wells has struggled this season, going 3-4 with a 6.16 ERA since coming off a seven-week stay on the disabled list on May 28. On Wednesday, he flashed the form that gave him the NL's 10th-best ERA as a rookie in 2009.

He got off to a fast start, setting down the first 10 Braves and striking out four. The only hit he allowed

through the first six innings was Martin Prado's infield single in the fourth.

Wells appeared to tire in the seventh, giving up Freddie Freeman's fly-out to the wall and Jones' home run into the batter's eye in center field. Wells threw 109 pitches and departed after Jones' blast, which moved him into a tie with Jeff Bagwell for 34th on the career list with 449.

Gonzalez homered off reliever Kerry Wood in the eighth.

Soriano gave the Cubs their first lead of the series in the second with his 22nd homer, a mammoth two-run shot to center field well over the 400-foot sign.

The Cubs added a run later in the inning thanks to the speed of Tony Campana, who reached on an error when Dan Uggla tried to hurry on a slow roller to second.

STATE Bears' Williams bristles when drops brought up

By The Associated Press

LAKE FOREST, Ill. — The Chicago Bears brought in receiver Roy Williams hoping he would rediscover his old Pro Bowl form in a familiar system.

It might happen. It hasn't yet.

Then again, the season doesn't start for a few weeks.

Williams played only a few snaps in the preseason opener against Buffalo and was not the target of any passes.

He had three thrown his way without a catch Monday night in a 41-13 loss to the New York Giants, and two probably could have been completed.

Just don't tell him he had a drop. Williams didn't like that.

"I had a drop? I didn't have a drop," Williams said Wednesday. "If you want to count it, you can. I think the DB (Aaron Ross) made a great play to knock it out as soon as it got into my hands, so I didn't drop the ball."

Williams was referring to a third-down bobble on Chicago's first possession that was initially ruled a 16-yard completion. The Giants challenged and the call got overturned.

On the Bears' next possession, a high short slant hit off Williams' fingers on third down.

About that, Williams said, "Yeah, I got to catch that ball, man. It's my fault. I'll catch it next time, Coach."

The Bears certainly hope so.

They gave the 6-foot-3 Williams a one-year deal and a chance to redeem himself after a disappointing run in Dallas, signing him late last month a day after the Cowboys released him, and made him their No. 1 receiver while dropping Johnny Knox to No. 2.

The hope is he flashes some of the skills that made him a Pro Bowl receiver with Detroit when Mike Martz was his offensive coordinator and that a reunion with receivers coach Darryl Drake provides an extra kick. The two have strong ties dating back to when Drake was on the staff at Texas, and under Martz, Williams had 1,310 yards in 2006.

Drake made one thing clear, though. Williams needs to step up his

play.

"He's not where he needs to be, and he knows that," Drake said. "He and I have talked about that, and the good thing about it is you've got Johnny Knox who's fighting and working hard. And believe you me, Roy understands that Johnny's there. Johnny's hungry, and Johnny wants his spot back. If things don't start changing, then Johnny's going to be in there. That's straight from the horse's mouth."

"I had a drop? I didn't have a drop."

Roy Williams, Bears wide receiver

Drops have been a big issue for Williams the past few years, and every time a ball hits off his hands, eyebrows are raised. They were up again on Monday, and Drake wasn't giving any free passes.

He said the first one should have been caught "for sure." And while he praised Ross for knocking the ball out, he blamed Williams for letting him do that.

Drake initially said the slant was uncatchable and that there should have been a pass-interference call. Even so, he put some blame on Williams.

"You've got to beat that," Drake said. "What I told him, he's just got to be more physical with him, get him off your spot and get in there cleaner. Don't allow that guy to get his arm in there and rip you around."

That also has been one of the knocks on Williams — that he's not physical, that he won't go up and get balls, that he plays small for a receiver who's 6-foot-3.

While he knows the system, he still is settling in.

Veteran free agents couldn't practice until Aug. 4, meaning Williams missed the first week, and he and Cutler are still adjusting to each other.

He's also getting into shape — football shape, that is.

"My fault, media," Williams said.

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Rob Mortell

Soccer needs more goals to succeed

By Rob Mortell
 Staff Reporter

Eastern's men's soccer team hopes rebound in its first season in the Summit League after a 4-12-1 season in the Missouri Valley Conference last year.

I think the Panthers have a good chance at being successful this season. Even though they lost their leading goal scorer, forward Alex Harrison, the team has plenty of capable and willing replacements.

Senior forward Ryan Child should be in store for a big season after leading the Panthers in points with 9 last year. This year, I believe he could score four to five goals and contribute about the same number of assists.

Senior defenseman/midfielder Graham Lynch should step into a significant role this season. He scored just one goal in his first season; however, he played mostly on the defensive side of the ball.

Eastern went 2-3 in Summit League games last season and has had success in the past against Summit League teams.

The Panthers were in the Summit League from 1983-1995 and they won five championships. A championship this year would give Eastern a chance at its first NCAA tournament appearance since 1983.

I don't know if a NCAA tournament appearance is reachable for the Panthers this season. The returning players and new recruits would have to play extremely well.

But, reaching the tournament is a goal that every team should have. Stranger things have happened than Eastern rebounding and making the tournament.

Head coach Adam Howarth added 11 new recruits to the team. He said they should add speed and help the team offensively, which is exactly what the Panthers need.

Eastern lost seven games with a score of 1-0 last year. If they had a little more offense, some of those games could easily be turned to ties or wins.

They only scored more than one goal twice last season. In order to win with any regularity scoring that few goals, your defense must be perfect or nearly perfect every game. That is a tall order for any team. Their lackluster offensive output must change if Eastern is going to win more games this season.

If the offense can add to the Panthers solid defense, they have a good chance of adding another Summit League championship.

The Panthers have set lofty goals for themselves and I think at the very least they will be a fun team to watch.

Maybe with a little luck, Eastern could be much more than that.

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MEN'S CROSS COUNTRY

Team adds 7 true freshmen

Staff Report

After a third place finish in the Ohio Valley Conference last season, the Eastern men's cross country team will try and put itself back among the OVC's best this year.

The team will return Matt Feldhake and Brad LaRocque for their senior seasons, two runners who proved very beneficial for the Panthers last season. Feldhake ran a top time of 25:39 EIU Panther Open last season. Feldhake won that race, narrowly defeating Josh LeBlanc of North Dakota in the event.

LaRocque, the team's only other senior, was a first team All-OVC selection last season. He placed 7th at the OVC Championships, while his top time of the season, 24:57, came at the Bradley Classic.

The Panther men's team had a number of freshmen and sophomores last year who will seek the same success as sophomores and juniors this season. Sophomores Ryan Ballard, Danny Delaney, along with juniors Nick Brehm, Matt Black, John Brassea, Graham Morris and twin brothers Brian and Doug Mateas will round out the Panther roster.

Nick Brehm missed most of the cross country season last year with a knee injury, as he only competed in three meets during the whole year. His top time, like teammates



FILE PHOTO | THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS
 Junior cross country runner Graham Morris jogs during practice on Sept. 28 at the Panther Trail by the campus pond.

LaRocque's, came at the Bradley Classic. His time was 27:17 on the 8K course.

A number of new faces also appear on the Panther roster this season. Freshman Bryce Basting comes to the team from Normal West High School. Basting is the younger brother of Reid Basting, who com-

petes as a sprinter for the Eastern track and field team.

Other freshmen include Joe Calio of Mattoon, Victor Delatorre of Lake Zurich, Max Gassmann of Olney, Laramie Immel of Carmi, Jeff Lester of Downers Grove and Bruyn Yunk of Belvidere.

After sitting out last season, red-shirt sophomore William Roth is set to compete this season after competing in two meets in 2009.

The Panthers enter the OVC ranked second in the standings. The Panthers are seated behind last year's OVC champions, Eastern Kentucky. Eastern Kentucky will return

with Soufiane Bouchikhi, who won the individual OVC cross country championship last season. Bouchikhi was also nationally ranked as a freshman last season.

Ranked behind the Panthers in the preseason poll is Southeast Missouri, who finished second, in front of Eastern at the end of last season. Senior Nate Shipley, former OVC Freshman of the Year, returns for SEMO. Shipley finished ninth at the OVC championships last season.

The team will run in its first event this weekend at the Peace To Meece 5K at the Panther Trail alongside the women's team.

CURRENT OVC RANKINGS

Below are the men's Ohio Valley Conference preseason rankings.

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| 1. Eastern Kentucky | 6. UT- Martin |
| 2. Eastern | 7. Tennessee State |
| 3. Southeast Missouri | 8. Jacksonville State |
| 4. Austin Peay | 9. Murray State |
| 5. Morehead State | 10. Tennessee State |

WOMEN'S CROSS COUNTRY

Panthers enter season in second

Staff Report

The Easterns women's cross country team is ranked second in the Ohio Valley Conference preseason rankings. The women's team has only two seniors, Brittany Arthur and Megan Gingerich, not including fifth-year runner Caitlin Napoleoni.

Arthur competed in each of the seven events last season for Eastern, while also being named to the All-OVC second team. Her top 5K time of the season came at the OVC championship where she crossed the finish line at 19:06.16.

Gingerich will return to the Panthers for her senior season as one of the most accomplished female track

athletes to ever run at Eastern. Gingerich was named the OVC Scholar-Athlete of the Year last season, as well as being named to the All-OVC team. Gingerich was also a first team District V All-American selection, as well as being named to the United States Track and Field Cross Country Coaches Association All-Academic list in 2011.

Also making her return to the team will be red-shirt junior Olivia Klaus, who was the top Panther finisher in the nearly all of the events last season. Klaus was first team All-OVC, as well as a fourth place finisher at the OVC championship. Klaus was the OVC Female Runner of the Week three times throughout the season. Her top time of the year

came at the first meet of last season, the EIU Panther Open, where she finished in 18:15.

The women's team has only two true freshmen, Kelsey Hardimon and Chelsea Sondgeroth will join the team as freshmen, while Breanna Bergbower, a sophomore, will compete this season after red-shirting last year.

Erika Ramos, Britney Whitehead, Gaby Duenas, Elizabeth Dole, Stephanie Peisker all return to the team for their junior seasons. Duenas was one of the team's top three finishers at the OVC championship last season.

Eastern Kentucky is ranked No. 1 on the women's side, just as they are on the men's side. The Colonels are returning four of their top ten finishers from last season, as well as Kenyan born senior Lydia Kosgei. Kosgei, who red-shirted last year's cross country season. Eastern Kentucky received eight of the 10 first place votes in the preseason poll, with the other two going to the Panthers.



FILE PHOTO | THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS
 Women's cross country runners take off from the starting line Nov. 10, 2010, at the Panther Open meet.

The Panther women's team will compete alongside the men at the Peace For Meece 5K this weekend at the Panther Trail.

CURRENT OVC RANKINGS

Below are the women's Ohio Valley Conference preseason rankings.

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| 1. Eastern Kentucky | 7. Tennessee State |
| 2. Eastern | 8. University of Tennessee- |
| 3. Southeast Missouri | Martin |
| 4. Murray State | 9. Morehead State |
| 5. Jacksonville State | 10. Tennessee State |
| 6. Austin Peay | |

EASTERN SPORTS SCHEDULE

Volleyball
 Friday vs. Miami (Ohio)
 1:30 p.m. - Lantz Arena

Volleyball
 Next Friday vs. Wichita State
 4 p.m. - Lantz Arena

Women's soccer
 Friday at Belmont
 4 p.m.

Football
 Sept. 1 vs. Illinois State
 6:30 p.m. - O'Brien Field

Men's Soccer
 Friday at Northwestern
 5 p.m.

NATIONAL SPORTS

MLB
 Oakland Athletics vs. New York Yankees - 1:05 p.m. on MLBN

MLB
 Detroit Tigers vs. Tampa Bay Rays
 1:10 p.m. on MLBN

MLB
 Boston Red Sox vs. Texas Rangers
 8:05 p.m. on MLBN

NFL
 Washington vs. Baltimore
 8 p.m. on ESPN

NFL
 Green Bay vs. Indianapolis
 Friday 8 p.m. on CBS