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## Catch me if you can

### Eastern employees told to handle personal identification with care

By CINDY TANNEY  
ADMINISTRATION EDITOR

Eastern employees have been advised to handle personal identification with extra care.

A recent Associated Press report on a Florida community college professor charged with stealing the identities of three students is a timely reason to raise awareness about identity theft, said Kathleen Moreno, Eastern's director of internal auditing.

"Identity theft occurs when someone possesses or uses your name, address, Social Security number, bank or credit card account number or other identifying information without your knowledge with the intent to commit fraud or other crimes," according to a definition by the Federal Trade Commission (FTC), a government sector which enforces protection of personal consumer information.

Moreno has published more than 15 "tips" in the Eastern's weekly newsletter about privacy rights and regulations and preventing identity theft.

"We want to prevent what's happened," she said. Sheila R. Simons, assistant professor of health studies at Eastern said she requests written permission from students to give out any personal information.

"It's tough to protect your Social Security number when so many agencies use the number as identification," she said. "(It is) strange, considering the government never intended it to be used in that manner."

Simons said she has stopped using the last four digits of students' Social Security number for test identification but shreds all personal materials after its use.

Nearly 4 million Citigroup customers could be at risk from consumer or identity fraud after tapes containing Social Security numbers, names, account numbers and financial history disappeared last month, according to a report by the Chicago Tribune.

Last month, computer tape records on 600,000 current

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Ted Williams, vietnam vet from Homer, Ill., explains to a group of campers how to line up in formation at Premier Boys State in the South Quad Tuesday afternoon. Look for an interactive slideshow at [www.thedailyeasternnews.com](http://www.thedailyeasternnews.com) on Tuesday.

## High school kids form Boys State

By SARAH WHITNEY  
CAMPUS EDITOR

Flyers scrawled in magic marker pleading for votes had hung from dorm windows around South Campus since Saturday.

These crudely drawn signs aren't advocating for Residence Hall Association or Student Government, but are a campaign tool used by Boys State in their mock elections for a fictitious 51st American state.

The Illinois American Legion started the first Boys State camp 70 years ago to teach high school students about democracy.

"Illinois was the first state to have Boys

State," Assistant Executive Officer Frank Yocum. "Now there's a Boys State in all fifty states."

According to the camps Program Director Tom Johnson, Boys State Camp was started to counteract similar camps being conducted in Nazi Germany before World War II by teaching the kids about government and democracy.

"It was a very patriotic pseudo-indoctrination thing in 1935, and (today) it is now a legitimate educational leadership conference," he said.

The boys spend a week learning about state and local governments, the political sys-

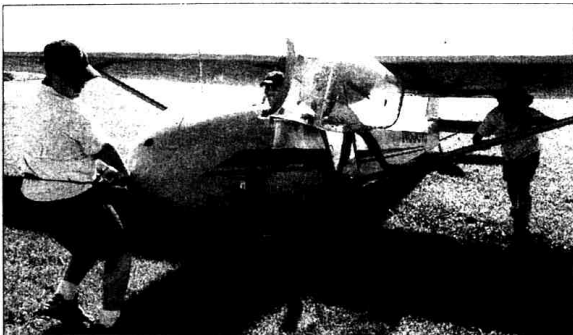
tem, voting and patriotism by actively becoming involved in the election process.

"It teaches the boys the two-party system," Yocum said. "They will learn more by doing the two-party system than probably in high school because they do get involved."

"Here we set up actual units of government," Johnson said. There are 32 cities and eight counties. The boys elect mayors, fire chiefs and on up to governor, for each he said.

"They will go through the motions on not exactly a 24 hour day but almost with an in-depth hand-on onsite program that no

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DANIEL WILLIAMS/THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

Cadets pull the Schweizer 233A Sail Plane hook on the runway of the Coles County Memorial Airport Tuesday after its flight. The Illinois Wing of the Johnson Flight Encampment ends Thursday. This is the 40th anniversary of the encampment.

## Coles County airport busy

### 50 cadets from around the country came to town for the Johnson Flight Encampment

By CHRIS LUTHER  
CITY EDITOR

During the past week, the Charleston sky has been filled with hot-air balloons, gliders and airplanes and citizens have the Johnson Flight Encampment to thank for it.

This is the 40th anniversary of the encampment, and 50 cadets from around the country are in town learning how to fly, Ron Diggs, a captain in the Civil Air Patrol, said.

"We've got kids out here from Florida, Ohio, Michigan, Wisconsin and Illinois," said Diggs.

Cadet Benton, a 17-year-old from Naperville,

expressed his enthusiasm about the Johnson Flight Encampment.

"It's honestly the most amazing thing I've ever done," said Benton. "We get to fly planes for a week straight."

Cadets also explained how hard the training is for the encampment.

"The training is very intense during the week," said Benton. "The amount of information, which is a lot, we are required to learn in a short amount of time is very hard."

Cadet 2nd Lt. Dan Speere, 18, of Crystal Lake, agreed with Benton about the intensity of

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**TODAY**  
**78**  
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Mostly sunny

**FRIDAY**  
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**80**  
59  
Partly cloudy

**MONDAY**  
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Mostly sunny

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### AROUND ILLINOIS CAMPUSES



## SOUTHERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY Deer attacks students

One or more deer attacked three people Tuesday morning, according to the Director of the Department of Public Safety, Todd Sigler, bringing the total number of deer attacks on campus to six.

The Department of Public Safety is taking measures to ensure the attacks will not be repeated by posting signs in areas where deer have been sighted and roping of wooded paths, but Sigler said the best protection is common sense.

"Leave the deer alone, don't go try to pet the fawns," Sigler said.

Wildlife ecologist Clay Nielsen said the mother is attacking because does are most aggressive this time of year. The fawns are very young right now and very unsteady on their feet. As a result, the mother doe will aggressively defend her young until they are able to escape from danger, he said. Nielsen said he expects the attacks to taper off during the next few weeks as the fawns become older and are able to follow their mother out of danger.

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## NORTHERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY Student information released accidentally

The NIU Department of Mathematical Sciences had a scare involving student's Social Security numbers that were posted online, but university officials were quick to respond after noticing the mistake last month.

"It was a simple mistake on the part of a teaching assistant," said Melanie Magara, assistant vice president for public affairs.

In spring 2004, a mathematics department teaching assistant accidentally posted approximately 60 student's names, homework grades and Social Security numbers on a personal Web site instead of e-mailing the information to themselves, Magara said.

This made the information available to anyone using the proper search engine.

"The thing about Web sites is that even if you delete one, it's still out there," said Walter Czerniak, associate vice president for information technology.

When university officials were notified of the situation, the search engine's cache, which held the students' information, was cleared.

READ MORE AT [WWW.NORTHERNSTAR.INFO](http://WWW.NORTHERNSTAR.INFO)

### CORRECTIONS

In the Tuesday, June 7 edition of The Daily Eastern News, a quote was attributed to Jim Shonkewiler, director of the budgeting office that should have been attributed to Rep. Chapin Rose. Also, the ultimate budget plan was attributed to Rose as opposed to Gov. Blagojevich. Rose had filed a request for an IBHE bill in contention with Blagojevich's bill. Rose did not support the governor's budget plan.

### WATER WORKS



DANIEL WILLIAMS/THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

William Turner, laborer for the Charleston Public Works, watches as Carl Bonner, foreman digs with a backhoe on Monroe Avenue Wednesday. Charleston Public Works are repairing the old water main in that area.

### WTF?

## Lucky lotto tickets

Some people seem to have all the luck. Just ask Donna Goepfert.

Earlier this year, she won \$1 million playing a Pennsylvania Lottery scratch-off ticket, then turned around and won another million-dollar jackpot last week.

"What are the odds of that?" the 55-year-old woman said, calling her good fortune "just unbelievable."

The odds of winning just once are 1.44 million-to-1, according to state lottery officials.

Goepfert's win in January allowed her to pay off her mortgage and her children's mortgages, buy a new Cadillac and save money for her grandchildren's education.

She purchased her most recent winning ticket for \$20.

### PEOPLE

## Romance is real deal

Tom Cruise says his romance with Katie Holmes is the real deal.

While in Berlin for the European premiere of his new movie, "War of the Worlds," Cruise dismissed speculation by tabloid newspapers and celebrity gossip columns that their relationship is a stunt to promote their new movies.

"Come on, it's just ridiculous," Cruise, 42, said Tuesday.

Cruise said Holmes was scheduled to attend an event Wednesday in Berlin to promote her new film.

The couple then planned to travel to Rome, where they were first photographed together in April.

Since then, the couple have made headlines, with Cruise declaring his love for Holmes in an exuberant appearance last month on "The Oprah Winfrey Show."

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Silence is the best answer to the stupid. The fool has his answer on the tip of his tongue.  
—Saudi Arabian proverb

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2. Cleverly conceived or made.

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# Nadler visits students, giraffes in Africa

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Despite being on vacation thousands of miles from home, recently appointed Eastern vice president for student affairs found himself surrounded by students.

Daniel Nadler visited an elementary school of 2,000 students from pre-kindergarten to the ninth grade in Namibia, Africa last week.

The living conditions were very

cramped at a nearby boarding house for the students of low socio-economic status, he said.

"They were practically lying on top of each other," he said.

The communication between Nadler and the students was not too difficult because a few students could speak some English, he said.

"I know some words here and there but not enough," he said.

During his stay, Nadler also spent a few days watching zebras, giraffes,

antelopes and warthogs graze.

"I had an absolutely incredible time," he said.

Nadler visited Eastern's campus Tuesday morning to meet with administrators and prepare for his role as vice president for student affairs which will take effect Aug. 1.

He will leave his current positions as associate vice president for student affairs and liberal arts and sciences instructor at Tulane University in New Orleans.

"Tulane has many, many challenges," he said. "Sometimes you just reach a point where you peak out at that (place) in higher education and you have to pack your bags and go."

To prepare for his new job, Nadler said he is reading several historical and recent reports on Eastern. He said he has also contacted various university employees to introduce himself and establish a line of communication.

Nadler has plans to encourage

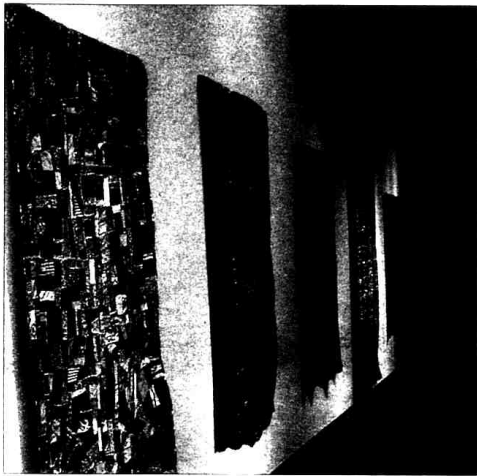
more interaction between Eastern students, faculty and staff. He also said he will try to strengthen the relationship between student affairs and academic affairs, according to the announcement of his appointment by Media Relations.

Nadler said he believes Eastern's campus is very inviting and comfortable.

"Location-wise, it's really ideal for me," he said. "I can easily load up the car and go visit my family."

**"Folk Art is (an art) form that is in danger of being forgotten, we don't want that to happen."**

MICHAEL WATTS, TARBLE ARTS DIRECTOR



DANIEL WILLIAMS THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

Quilts from several decades adorn the walls of Tarble Arts Center. The exhibit, which features work by a Mattoon quilter, runs until Aug. 14

## Quilts, history unite at Tarble

By SAMAYIA EWING  
NEWS EDITOR

The quilts in the Tarble Arts Center Folk Art Collection span millennia from an 1840s appliqué to present day teaching quilts.

Included in the exhibit are quilts, coverlets, rugs and pillows that previous curators and staff members thought were unique, said Michael Watts, director of the Tarble Arts Center.

Mattoon quilter Cora Meeks' work comprises a large part of the exhibit. Meeks, while born in 1898, did not gain recognition as an artist until she reached her 90s. At the age of 101, she received an Illinois Arts Council Individual Artist Fellowship Award.

Meeks' work in the exhibit includes denim quilts, crazy quilts and quilts

made from satin funeral bibbons.

One of the more unique quilts in the collection is an unfinished Barn Raising Log Cabin quilt top by Elvia Baker Tarble, mother of Newton E. Tarble, the benefactor for whom the gallery is named.

The Tarbles raised six children in Martinsville, where Elvia and her husband lived until his death in 1923.

Elvia began the Barn Raising Log Cabin quilt while recovering from a broken hip. Complications set in, and Elvia died in 1932, leaving the quilt top's edges unfinished; the state in which they remain today.

"Folk Art is (an art) form that is in

danger of being forgotten, we don't want that to happen" said Watts. Other artists included in the exhibition are Katie Kaufman, Eliza Schrock, Virginia Buckner, Louise Hageman, Charlotte Baker, Helen Albin, Iline Clark, Zora Moore, Alice Sturgell, Lola E. Wade and the Macon County Historical Society Woman's Folk Art Group.

The quilts and other artwork will be on display through Aug. 14. Exhibition hours are 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesdays through Saturdays and 1 to 4 p.m. Sundays. The gallery is closed on Mondays. Those interested in additional information may call (217) 581-ARTS.

## Music soars Thursdays at Kiwanis Park

By SARAH WHITNEY  
CAMPUS EDITOR

Sparrows and robins are not the only melody makers in Kiwanis Park. For the next five Thursday evenings, Charleston's community band will perform its 28th season in the Amphitheater.

June 16 is the second concert out of six planned for Thursday nights through July 14.

Concerts start at 7:30 p.m. and last for about an hour. Admission is free.

"The best part of the community band is the people they're just tremendous people," Director John Daum said. "We just have such a good time playing and rehearsing together."

Last week the band entertained the audience with "America the Beautiful," selections from "Show Boat," and "Hosts of Freedom March," said Daum.

However, according to Daum, the biggest crowd pleaser of last Thursday's performance was "I Saw the Light." Daum said he had added the song to the concert repertoire as a "spur of the moment" decision and didn't expect it to be such a crowd pleaser.

"That turned out to be one of the biggest hits," he said. "People enjoyed it, and it's been requested that we do it again."

For tonight, the band will be playing selections from "The Music Man" and "Amazing Grace" featuring a tuba melody.

### Concert Info

- ◆ **Who:** Community Band
- ◆ **What:** Summer Concert Series
- ◆ **When:** 7:30 p.m., Thursday nights through July 14
- ◆ **Where:** Kiwanis Park
- ◆ **Admission:** Free

"Amazing Grace" is one of Drum's favorite pieces in addition to being a repeated request from community members. The demand is such that he's included it in the Summer Series Concert repertoire for multiple years.

"It is not difficult at all, but it features the tubas and of course being a good religious song, as it is, it really goes over big," he said.

Dale Downs, retired Eastern Elementary Education professor, has played his saxophone with the band since its first season.

"As long as Mr. Daum is conducting, I'll be there," he said.

Over the years, the professor has supported the band playing alto, tenor and baritone sax as needed. For the past five, he has been playing bary sax.

"It's fun and that's something you can do when you get to be 70 and you still can't play baseball and football," he said.

Downs encourages any local musicians who aren't already members to "come and join the fun," and reminds the audience to "bring a lawn chair."

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### EDITORIAL

## Donation is the right of the donor

#### At issue

Women donating eggs for stem cell research procedure called somatic cell nuclear transfer

#### Our stance

Women should be educated in the procedure's health risks and then decide for themselves if they are willing to donate their eggs for science.

A recent Newsweek article explained a process called somatic cell nuclear transfer, or SCNT, which is "a complex technique that merges eggs (whose nuclei have been removed) with adult cells to create specialized embryonic-stem-cell lines."

This process involves women donating their eggs in a way similar to that used with in vitro fertilization, where an incision is made in a woman's pelvic cavity for egg extraction. However, instead of using these eggs to help create a child, scientists hope to create stem cells for research purposes.

SCNT would involve extraction of the eggs, either through the natural cycle process, where one egg released during a woman's monthly cycle is extracted through laparoscopy, or through the use of hormone drugs that triggers follicle growth which then increases egg production. Despite the benefits of having more eggs available for the research, there are health complications for SCNT female donors.

However, despite the benefits of having more eggs available for research if hormone drugs are used to create more ovarian follicle, there are health complications for the female donors.

One such female, Rachael Marchand, claims in the Newsweek article that she was rushed through an egg extraction procedure, causing 30 pounds of excess fluid to pool in her abdomen. Called ovarian hyperstimulation syndrome, this immediate complication can affect "anywhere from (2) to (5) percent of women."

But there are women so devoted to helping stem cell research along – usually in order to aid someone they know who is suffering from a disease that is thought to be curable by stem cell research – that they are willing to go through the extraction process, regardless of risk to their own health or the actual rate of success with such an experiment as SCNT.

One woman, Pat Parkhouse, "went through the egg-retrieval process for (in vitro fertilization) to produce twin toddlers." Eight years ago, her husband was in a car accident, causing traumatic brain injury. "If you were to tell me there's only a 1 percent chance (SCNT) would ever benefit my husband, I'd go with that one percent," she says in the article.

To many, the benefits of this procedure outweigh the risk to the woman who is donating the eggs for scientific research. Medical News Today says, "These ovarian stem cells could be used to generate several cell types used in stem cell research, and fertilized eggs procured in this way could produce cells capable of giving rise to embryonic stem cells for use in research and therapeutic applications."

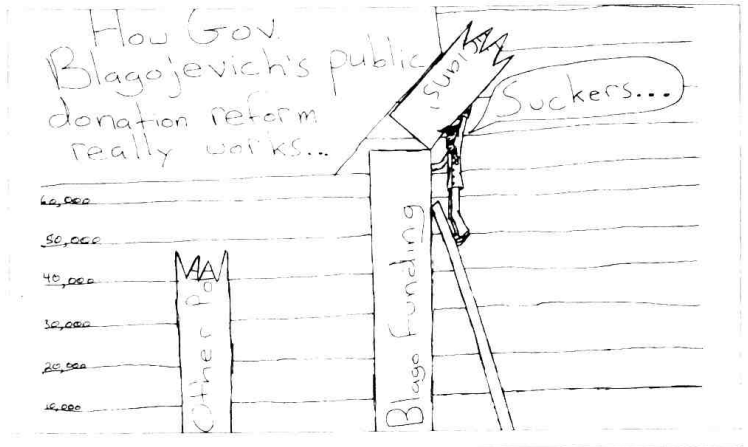
Some, like Judy Norsigian, coauthor of "Our Bodies, Ourselves," think the procedure is too premature to risk the health of those who would donate eggs. "The risks to would-be egg donors are not worth the hypothetical benefits," Norsigian said.

But the issue of this procedure, however, should not come down to whether it is worth the risk, whether it is right for women to sacrifice their health for science. It should come down to whether women are willing to donate their eggs for such a procedure, knowing the risks.

Whether or not the scientific benefits outweigh the health risks is something women will have to decide for themselves, and they should be allowed to choose for themselves.

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

### EDITORIAL CARTOON BY DAVID THILL



### COLUMN

## Governor does not follow his policy for campaign finance reform

Hypocrisy is not new in government.

Every day, politicians tell their constituents one thing and do another.

This week Gov. Rod Blagojevich did just that, except he told his fellow politicians one thing, as well as his constituents, and then did another.

Blagojevich has been pressuring the Illinois legislature to cap individual campaign contributions at \$2,000. During the week of May 11, the governor presented a campaign finance reform proposal sponsored by Sen. Carol Ronen and Rep. Brandon Phelps to the legislature.

The proposal was based on the McCain-Feingold Campaign Reform Act of 2002. This act, also called the Bi-Partisan Campaign Reform Act because it was sponsored by a Democrat and a Republican, was signed into law on March 27, 2002. The act bans the use of "soft money" and prohibited labor unions or for-profit corporations from sponsoring election ads.

Gov. Blagojevich proposed a total ban on all contributions from corporations and unions. He also proposed a maximum limit for campaign donations from individuals set at \$2,000, as well as limiting contri-



**NORA MABERRY**  
ENGLISH GRADUATE STUDENT

Maberry is Online Editor and a columnist for *The Daily Eastern News*.

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butions from political action committees to \$5,000. The proposal would also limit state party contributions to \$5,000.

While Gov. Blagojevich was suggesting to his fellow politicians that they limit their campaign funds, his political organization was mailing out invitations to a fundraiser that accepted donations up to \$10,000.

Surely this must have been a typo. A politician wouldn't say limiting contributions at \$2,000 was a good idea, and then ask for \$10,000.

Wrong. According to an article in the June

13 edition of the Chicago Sun-Times, Blagojevich had \$10.4 million in his campaign fund at the end of last year, and he is hosting a fundraiser today at the Field Museum in Chicago with the hopes of raising another \$4 million.

The Sun Times states that the invitations to the event show the governor allowing contributors to donate anything from \$1,000 to \$10,000.

Something smells of hypocrisy. But, of course, the governor's people deny any such thing. They told the Sun-Times that the governor was just following the current state law, and if he didn't, that would put him in a bad position for his 2006 re-election bid.

I wonder how he expects his fellow politicians to run campaigns that limit individual donations to \$2,000 if he himself seems unable to do just that.

If the governor truly believed in campaign finance reform, he wouldn't offer his contributors the option of offering \$1,000 to \$10,000, which he is doing at tonight's fundraiser; he would follow his supposed convictions and limit the donations to \$2,000 per person.

If the governor really believed in this cause, he would lead by example instead of, yet again, saying one

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## EVENTS CALENDAR

FRIDAY	BLACK AND BLUES BAND AT GUNNER BUCS	9:00 p.m.
SATURDAY	BELLY DANCING AT JACKSON AVE. COFFEE	7:00 p.m.
	JAZZ AT THE TIMES THEATER	9:00 p.m.
SUNDAY	ACOUSTIC NIGHT AT MAC'S UPTOWN	9:00 p.m.

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**THE GUIDE TO BETTER LIVING**

SAMAYA EWING  
NEWS EDITOR

## Summer in Charleston: a new way to burn

Mr. Sun has officially returned to get his sadistic thrills by shining down piss yellow rays of scorching heat on we wretched creatures here below.

Of the many things that are preferable to enduring a sweltering summer: (-lobotomies, gangrene, excessive fruit-cake consumption, dining on the plague ridden corpses of New York rats, Ebola) the one that most closely resembles the flaming inferno of the Charleston season is being burned at the stake via a fire fueled by green wood.

So pry the molten soles of your sneakers from the blacktop and prepare to take yet another step toward extra crispy blackened barbecue doom.

All hope is not lost; however, survival is possible for the creative and the well prepared.

Simply follow these basic guidelines to a cooler, more productive summer season.

Rub yourself down with cherry popsi-dels.

### UTILIZE COMMON SENSE

Head to the nearest grocery store, find that oversized freezer where they keep the bags of ice and climb in.

Call up a friend and say dirty things about cold weather.

Avoid turning on the oven.

For the suicide queens among us this will mean shelving the Sylvia Plath guide to the afterlife for the summer, but rest assured, razors, pills, and hanging work just as well.

Channel your inner snow-person.

Super Soaker fight, need I say more?

### USE THE BURNING RAYS TO YOUR ADVANTAGE

Collect your sweat in a galvanized bucket and when dehydration looms, bottoms up.

Saute' eggs on the pavement. This will enable you to avoid using your stove in addition to providing hours upon hours of joyous entertainment.

Give up liquids, sit out in the sun for hours and wait for the hallucinatory fun to begin.

Tan. Forget about ultra violet, melanoma, squamous cell carcinoma and suspicious moles, that's what chemo-therapy is for.

Coat your body in Crisco, wrap yourself in industrial sized, heavy-duty aluminum foil, give fate the finger and fry yourself up to a golden brown.

If all else fails, do as I do when the sticky squish of skin on cloth on skin progresses beyond the realm of bearable: get naked.

# MOVE YOUR BELLY



PHOTO SUBMITTED BY LUCY WARFEL

Lacy Warfel, a belly dancing instructor from Mattoon, will be performing Saturday at Jackson Avenue Coffee in Charleston on the square at 7 p.m.

## Jackson Avenue Coffee to offer dancing class

BY TIM EMMERING  
VERGE EDITOR

Think your abs are strong?

Place a quarter beneath your belly button and a small plate at the top of your stomach.

Now make the quarter leap up onto the plate without the use of

your hands or psychic abilities.

For the skilled belly dancer, this trick is simple.

Yet, it's only minor in comparison to being able to woo onlookers with vibrant step and wave-like contractions of the stomach.

According to the Web site of Fat Cannon Belly Dance, a belly dancing group in San Francisco, the dance is "a celebration of the female spirit and a physical display of the strength and beauty of women."

Though there are several different

styles, belly dancing originated from rituals of past matriarchal cultures and secular entertainment that developed further as the gypsies traveled throughout Asia, Europe and Africa.

One such style is known as the American Tribal Style (ATS), which differs from other styles by its steps, movements, gestures and costume design.

Symbolically, the varying styles have different meanings. Indian and Polynesian styles are usually telling a story while ATS is "almost devotional in its sense of sisterhood and female energy," said Lacy Warfel, a dance instructor in Mattoon.

Warfel has been teaching this dance for about a year and received most of her instruction in Champaign from other dancers.

Warfel, who uses the name Benazir on stage, meaning "the likes of which have never been seen" in some dialects, said the dance's acceptance has "swung back and forth" throughout time.

"In Egypt, the dance was performed openly at celebrations for womanhood and child birth," Warfel said.

"Then it went behind closed doors for women only to enjoy. Then out on the street as ghawazee in financially difficult times," said Warfel.

In some dialects, ghawazee means prostitute, Warfel said.

The dance is distinct by its reliance upon movements stemming from the core muscle groups, making strong glutes, abs and lower back

muscles a must.

"Well trained and practiced belly dancers develop what is called the belly dancer 8-pack with muscles that most of us don't even have," Warfel said. "I have seen footage of a woman rolling a quarter up one side and down the other of her stomach."

Warfel suggests that her students lay in a shallow tub of water and roll the water up and down their bellies to strengthen these muscles.

While it's true that much practice is needed in order to perfect the dance, Warfel said that it "welcomes women of all ages and sizes."

"I define a good belly dancer as a happy belly dancer," Warfel said. "Its low impact and most movements flow very naturally in a woman's body."

Warfel and two other dancers from her group will be performing and teaching the dance Saturday at 7 p.m. at Jackson Avenue Coffee in Charleston.

Evan Kubicek, an employee of the coffee house, said they've done a show like this in the past, but the upcoming show will involve the audience a lot more.

"[The performers] will be looking for a little bit more participation from the audience," Kubicek said. "It's going to be an interactive show."

The performance is free to attend and snacks will be provided.

## REVIEW ROUNDUP

### 'Cinderella Man' is simply a knockout

BY DAVID THILL  
EDITOR IN CHIEF

#### GRADE: A

Once upon a time there was "Rocky," Sylvester Stallone's home-grown movie that turned into, not only one of the greatest boxing movies of all time, but also an Oscar-winning classic drama. In 1980, Robert DeNiro brought life to the role of former middleweight champ, Jake LaMotta in "Raging Bull." The role was one of DeNiro's greatest and set another bar for boxing movies for caliber of acting and brilliance of screenplay.

Where the two meet in the middle is "Cinderella Man," the latest from the perennial team of Russell Crowe and Ron Howard.

As James J. Braddock, Crowe portrays a boxer once on the fast track to the top, derailed by the Great Depression and his own inability to fight up to his potential. The movie takes a very expected turn for the unfortunate as Braddock and his family is forced to move into a small, one-room basement apartment. Braddock, now a quickly failing fighter, continues his efforts to fight in vain. When he unexpectedly breaks his hand, his boxing license is

revoked and he is no longer able to fend for his family.

However, when a fighter unexpectedly drops out of a fight against the number two contender for the heavy-weight title, Braddock is given his chance to recapture his lost glory and continue on the path to the championship he was once denied. This time, however, no one expects him to win not even his own family.

The movie brings a unique combination of great acting, emotional connection and ultra-realistic cinematography, which makes for one of the most realistic boxing movies. Ever.

## Web site offers a plethora of free tunes

BY CINDY TANNEY  
ADMINISTRATION EDITOR

#### GRADE: A

Want to load up on music but don't have the cash?

Indie music's best kept secret just might be [cdbaby.com](http://cdbaby.com).

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Songs are often cut off about three-fourths through. But it's a step up from the standard 30-second sound clips available on [amazon.com](http://amazon.com).

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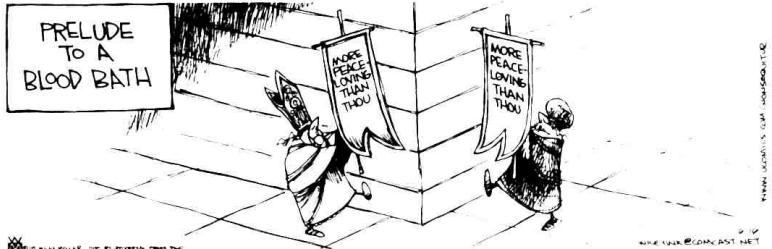
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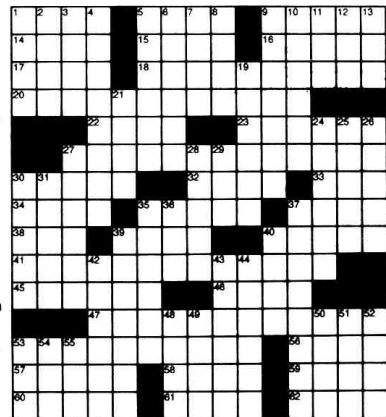
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### ACROSS

- 1 First one
- 5 Place for a shoe
- 9 Test
- 14 Horseplay?
- 15 Spray's target, maybe
- 16 Solid as a rock
- 17 Flush
- 18 Not taking no for an answer
- 20 Riding a bike, e.g., for most
- 22 Where nails should not be hammered
- 23 Like a gymnast
- 27 Everyone knows it
- 30 Egggy desserts
- 32 Protected
- 33 \_\_\_ chi
- 34 Not really believable
- 35 Lionesque, in a way
- 37 Underweight
- 38 & 39 Houston or Tulsa, popularly
- 40 Starts to come off
- 41 Annual October 24 honoree
- 45 Put a new handle on
- 46 Highway havens
- 47 What 20-, 27- and 41-Across contain, in a manner of speaking
- 53 Teaching method
- 56 Infant's word
- 57 Orchestra section
- 58 Frostbite treater
- 59 Expends
- 60 Presence
- 61 Balls (up)
- 62 Goes for the gold?

### DOWN

- 1 Hairy Halloween costumes
- 2 41-Across symbol
- 3 Actor Baldwin
- 4 Soporific delivery
- 5 Lots
- 6 City where Hans Christian Andersen was born
- 7 Green-skinned dancing girl in a "Star Wars" film
- 8 Stew
- 9 Mounted on
- 10 Funereal
- 11 Go after legally
- 12 Blank film reel
- 13 Drapers' meas.
- 19 Overruled
- 21 Entre \_\_\_
- 24 Cleans up
- 25 Where you might find "..."
- 26 Pulls (in)
- 27 Lincoln's first vice president
- 28 Big name in TV cartoons
- 29 Crowd's shout
- 30 Gravy ingredient
- 31 Frankie who sang "Moonlight Gambler"
- 35 Auto show display
- 36 Plant bristle
- 37 Started to freeze
- 39 Turbulence
- 40 Game with a paddle
- 42 Preferences
- 43 Closet fixture
- 44 East or West places
- 48 Eyewitness's words
- 49 Bubbly drink
- 50 Org. with a mission
- 51 \_\_\_ Prairie, Minn.
- 52 Freshness
- 53 Stay-at-home \_\_\_
- 54 Sash
- 55 "Uh-huh" equivalent



Puzzle by Chris Ballou

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# Kids unwind at Charleston coffee shop

## Thursday mornings dedicated to music and fun

STAFF REPORT

Local children can visit Jackson Avenue Coffee, which hosts a Kid's Music Day every Thursday at 10 a.m., to unwind, sing and dance.

Jackson Avenue Coffee has been hosting Kid's Music Days on an off-and-on basis for the past year, according to manager and Eastern graduate student Evan Kubicek.

"The atmosphere is great on kid's day," said Kubicek. "They run around and bang on things, it's a lot of fun."

Kubicek said it's a great opportunity for children to get an appreciation for music, which is hard because there are not many other places in Charleston for children to get that experience.

Even though Thursday mornings are Kid's Music Days, Kubicek said there is a wide range of ages that stop in the store.

Eastern professor Chris Hanlon plays the claw-hammer banjo for the children and Eastern professor Eric Hake plays the upright base.

"Kids really like to sing along so we play a lot of songs with repetition," said Hanlon. "We play songs that kids can get involved with."

# IDENTITY:

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and past employees of Time Warner were reported lost by a computer storage company.

The names and Social Security numbers of 16,000 current and past employees at MCI were stolen from a laptop computer in April. Computer tape containing personal information of nearly 200,000 current and former customers of Ameritrade Holding was reported in the same month.

The FTC received nearly 247,000 identity theft reports in 2004.

A presentation on safeguarding private information was provided by representatives of

Eastern's General Counsel, Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act privacy and security officers and the Internal Auditing and the Records office in September 2003. The group listed several ways to prevent identity theft and supplied a detailed background on federal legislation and university policies for privacy.

Although the privacy of students and employees is protected through several Board of Trustees regulations, identity theft is specifically mentioned under Eastern's internal governing policies 128 and 129.

# THREE FEDERAL PROVISIONS

Personal health information is protected for students, faculty

and staff by the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 (HIPAA).

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For more information about identity theft and federal privacy regulations, visit the FTC's Web site at [www.consumer.gov/idtheft/](http://www.consumer.gov/idtheft/)

# How to protect yourself

- ◆ Use initials instead of a full first name on address part of personal checks.
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- ◆ Never have Social Security number printed on personal checks.
- ◆ Keep photo copies of drivers license, credit card, Social Security card and other forms of personal identification.

source: Eastern's Internal Auditing Office

# FLIGHT:

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the training.

"We have to memorize an aircraft's limitations, ability, speeds and engine types very quickly," said Speer. "It is a month's worth of information condensed into one week at this camp."

Cadets Benton and Speer agreed that the Johnson Flight Encampment is a good opportunity for potential pilots.

"It's really neat that the Air Force lets us use their resources to learn," said Benton. "This is a great opportunity for future pilots to learn how to fly."

"If someone wants to be a pilot, this is a cheap way to get instruction," said Diggs. "Kids not only learn how to fly out here, they also learn how to behave."

Diggs said the encampment

encourages cadets to behave, maintain good grades and good conduct.

Former Commander of the Johnson Flight Encampment Ed Krey explained that the Johnson Flight Encampment is the only Illinois encampment that offers all three classes of flight. The three classes are glider, hot-air balloon and power (airplane).

The officers and cadets of the Johnson Flight Encampment

have been staying on campus at Eastern.

"We really appreciate being able to use Eastern," said Diggs. "The university has provided everything we need to be comfortable."

"We also would like to thank Coles County Airport for letting us use its facility."

The Johnson Flight Encampment started June 11 and will end Saturday.

# BOYS:

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# Boys learn how to form a government at Boys Sate

high school can duplicate," Johnson said. Kevin Shaffer, Naperville, a junior at Benet Academy said that he likes the camp because students are more involved with the government process than usual.

"You actually get to experience it, instead of sitting in a classroom all day and playing Jeopardy," he said.

Thursday the boys will hold their state elections. Camp staff split the boys between two parties—the Federalists and the Nationalists. Josh Boykin, a federalist from Rockford, Ill., and Ed Dumoulin, on the Nationalist ticket from Marine, Ill., are up for governor. The positions lieutenant governor, secretary of state, attorney general, state treasurer and comptroller are also on the ballot.

Boys State camp graduates include such names as former President, Bill Clinton, former Vice President Al Gore and Vice President Dick Cheney.

But in addition to these names, said Johnson, there are thousands of others who have served on the local school boards, church councils and neighborhood groups.

"We are trying to instill that kind of citizenship involvement," he said. "So that even if they don't go on in government what they learn here will be a benefit."

# Three arrests made in Newsday circulation inflation scandal

NEW YORK—Three former employees of the newspapers Newsday and Hoy were arrested Wednesday for their roles in schemes to inflate advertising prices by overstating circulation figures, prosecutors said.

The arrests were the first in an investigation by U.S. Attorney Roslynn Mauskopf into alleged circulation fraud at Newsday and the Spanish-language Hoy, both owned by the Chicago-based Tribune Co.

Edward Smith, of Hicksville, N.Y., who was Newsday's administrative circulation manager and a consultant to Hoy, and Robert Garcia, of Queens, who was Newsday's New York City circulation manager and Hoy sales and distribution manager, were arrested at their homes Wednesday, Mauskopf said.

Richard Czark, a former

Newsday employee and Hoy national circulation manager, was arrested in Bluffton, S.C., where he moved after leaving the Spanish newspaper.

The three men face charges of conspiracy to commit mail fraud.

Smith and Garcia each were released on \$250,000 bond Wednesday afternoon. Smith and his lawyer declined to comment as they left the courthouse.

Garcia's attorney, Margaret Shelley, said of her client: "He's obviously denying anything at all."

Prosecutors said Czark was expected to be extradited to New York next week.

According to Mauskopf, Smith orchestrated a scheme in which Newsday employees and other people posed as customers and bought multiple copies of

the paper from vendors around Long Island to fool observers from the Audit Bureau of Circulation, which verifies the circulation numbers used to set ad rates.

The vendors worked for a distributor that had been throwing away tens of thousands of papers daily and counting them as sold, Mauskopf alleged.

Garcia and Czark are accused of working with distributors to falsify circulation numbers for Hoy in Chicago and Los Angeles, Mauskopf said.

According to an affidavit filed Wednesday by a postal inspector who investigated the case, Garcia told an unnamed distributor that his false report of 3,000 daily sales of Hoy in Chicago, a 1,000-copy overstatement, was a "good number."

The affidavit also charges that

Czark arranged the creation of front companies and false bills from newspaper peddlers to cover up the false report that Hoy was selling 15,000 copies a day in Los Angeles, where it was actually selling 5,000.

Newsday spokesman Stu Vincent said the three men were among about a dozen employees fired last year as part of an internal investigation that led the paper to lower its advertising rates and set aside millions of dollars in compensation for advertisers. The circulation scandal also contributed to outbacks and employee buyouts at Newsday, Vincent said.

"We welcome prosecution against any individuals who have defrauded Newsday, causing injury to the relationships with our readers, advertisers and employees," he said.

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# SPORTS

THURSDAY, JUNE 16, 2005

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## An 'Itch' to be missed

I guess you could say Ron Guenther's 15-year "Itch" has finally been scratched. University of Illinois baseball players will no longer be influenced by this "Itch," which has affected their on-field performance for so many years.

But, perhaps I should tell the issue at hand before I get too carried away in my moniker mockery.

Richard "Itch" Jones, coach of the University of Illinois baseball team, has announced his retirement. With him into retirement, Jones will take an overall record of 1,240-752-6, one Big Ten tournament title and, a spot ranking 13th on the list of all time NCAA Division I winningest coaches.

Even more impressive than his record at the helm of the Illini baseball team are his accomplishments prior to U of I. Jones has had 12 prior NCAA tournament appearances, 10 of which were with SIUC, including a 1971 Saluki team that finished second at the College World Series.

Over his distinguished 39-year coaching career, Jones has instructed and worked with over 150 athletes and coaches who have gone on to have some sort of professional baseball career.

What then, is the closing note in the final chapter of this coach's remarkable career? It hasn't been a storybook ending and most definitely not what everyone expected after such an impressive season.

Though I'm sure "Itch" Jones is quite proud of his accomplishment last season, as he should be, I can't help but feel the last memory of his entire coaching career will be that of getting upset in the second game of the NCAA tournament. Maybe this is a case of déjà vu dating back to last fall when my beloved St. Louis Cardinals were easily swept in a four-game World Series by the Red Sox. Or, perhaps, this spring when the Illinois men's basketball team was beaten in the NCAA championship by the Tar Heels of North Carolina.

These instances in which teams are so triumphant, only to be conquered when the stakes are the highest, draws unwarranted weight and bad press. So, while Richard "Itch" Jones' career deserved to be concluded on a happier note, the reality of the situation is a bit different. The reality is the Illini were 20-12 and the best in the Big Ten, regardless of any post-season record. Not too bad at all for a guy named "Itch."

## Winkeler carries winning mentality to SIUC

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Winkeler said she was proud of the strides Eastern has made and the program "is the strongest it's been since I've been here."

The announcement took Junior Libero Heather Redenbo by surprise, though.

"It is very shocking," Redenbo said. "Especially due to the success we had last year."

That success was Eastern's best regular season record under Winkeler. The team went 25-6 overall and 15-1 against OVC opponents.



BRENDA WINKELER  
HEAD VOLLEYBALL COACH

Junior Aja Kohlbecker reflected Redenbo's feelings.

"At first we were all shocked," she said. "It kind of came out of nowhere. But when you think about it, it's an amazing opportunity for (Winkeler)."

"She related to us very well not only as student athletes but also as young women," Redenbo said.

Winkeler said the success of the previous season only made the decision more difficult.

"In 20 years this is the most special group I have ever worked with" Winkeler said. "They will do well. This group, we've been through good and bad times. The closeness, the bond is incredible."

"Brenda was respected by all of her

players," Redenbo said. "We will all miss her, she was very motivating."

Winkeler said what she appreciated most was the contact the administration had with the team.

"Eastern is a great school," she said. "Not many universities have president's who will come to every volleyball game."

But will Eastern's volleyball team be able to repeat the same success they had last season, despite losing an All-OVC-caliber player and their head coach?

"It's going to be a challenge but we'll over come it," Kohlbecker said. "We overcame two losing seasons to become conference champions, we'll overcome this."



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Jack Howard, Premier Boys State camper catches a ball in the end zone for the Kennedy team during a flag football game Wednesday.

## Record-setting Ralston accepts promotion

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Seven years ago, Betty Ralston's duties increased by approximately 4,000 percent.

She coached nearly a dozen athletes at Eastern. Now she oversees almost 500.

Beginning July 1, she will officially assume the role as senior woman administrator and associate athletic director at Eastern.

"It's mostly a title change and not really a change in duties," she said.

In 1999, Ralston stepped down as Eastern's head volleyball coach to take on the role of director of compliance. Two years later, she was appointed as assistant director of compliance and academic services.

She has served as interim senior woman administrator of Eastern's athletic department after predecessor Deborah Polca resigned last summer.

Ralston oversees student-athlete eligibility, the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) student assistance fund, student-athlete advisory council and all NCAA legislative issues.

Ralston's career at Eastern began in 1983 when she was hired as head volleyball coach. Lady Panther volleyball



BETTY RALSTON  
ASSISTANT ATHLETIC DIRECTOR FOR COMPLIANCE AND ACADEMIC SERVICES

pulled in a total of 306 wins over the course of Ralston's 16-year reign. Ralston said she has been proud of her players for excelling academically.

"We had, over 19 semesters in a row, a team with a GPA above 3.2," she said.

Academic All-Americans honors went to three of Ralston's players, Laura Bruce in 1986, Donna Sicher in 1989 and Vanessa Wells in 1996, according to an online report by NCCA from March 1999.

Ralston said she never expected to end her final year as head volleyball coach of the No. 1 team of the 1998 Ohio Valley Conference.

"No one expected us to do it," she said. "We had lost four seniors for four-year starters. We had a couple of seniors that pulled through that year,

It was a nice year to end on."

Ralston was also named Coach of the Year for NCAA District 6 and the Ohio Valley Conference.

"I remember the athletes more than I remember the wins," she said.

Ralston said she has remained in contact with most of her players.

Before working at Eastern, Ralston taught physical education and coached women's volleyball, basketball, softball and field hockey at Mount Assumption Institute in New York.

She also coached at Plattsburgh State University and Wisconsin-Oshkosh University, each for two years.

Ralston's overall collegiate record is 391-287.