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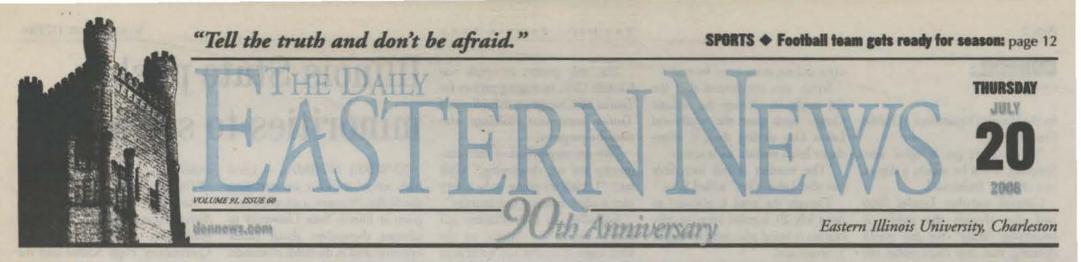
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Eastern president Lou Hencken isn't sure if he's coming back after this year.

WHAT'S

GONNA

By NORA MABERRY EDITOR IN CHIEF

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Come August, Eastern President Lou Hencken will sit in his office watching students return to campus. This, he says, is when he will know for sure if he is retiring when his contract is up in June or not.

"For the last 39 years, every August I get excited for the upcoming school year," said Hencken. "The way I am is about the first of August I start looking out there and saying, I really miss seeing students walking by here. If all of a sudden I look out there and say, 'Oh my gosh they're coming back,' then it's time for me to go."

Eastern president Lou Nencken speaks at Illinois Girls State in June. Hencken has been at Eastern for four decades, working his way up

Hencken faced a similar decision last year when the Board of Trustees offered him a one-year contract extension.

"Last year, when the board

extended the contract, I wasn't sure if I wanted to do this," said Hencken. "But I still do have the energy. I know I have another year."

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But whether he has any years beyond that is a question Hencken

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Sarah Bush's compost puts worms to work

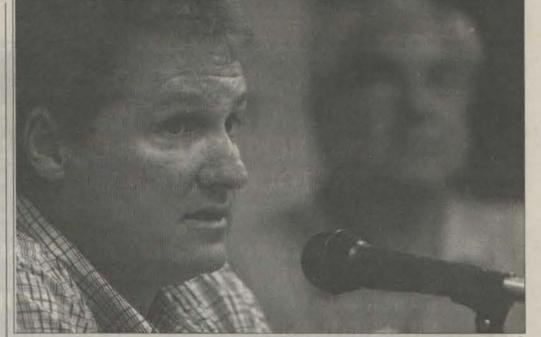
BY KEVIN KENEALY STAFF REPORTER

The cafeteria waste at Sarah Bush Lincoln Health Center will eventually be used for the building's grounds and landscaping.

that."

The castings are put into a mesh-lined water container, and then with an aerator, the once leftover cafeteria food will be able to be used on the grounds. According to Nichols, it makes the grass Even though the new process has been added to the recycling program, Sarah Bush is still involved in recycling everything from wood pallets to fax machines. In fact, Nichols mentioned an unofficial total of 26 items

through the student affairs department.



On July 14, Mattoon's Sarah Bush Lincoln Health Center installed a pulper unit in the cafeteria's tray line where all the food could be dumped, except for bones and Styrophoam. The pulper then squeezes out the food, making a juice pulped food. From there, the food is dispensed into a ten-gallon bucket and is fed to red wiggler worms in worm bins.

"The worms can eat half their weight in food each day, they'll digest the food and make castings out of it, which is the richest nutrient on earth," said Jeff Nichols, manager of custodial services at Sarah Bush Lincoln. "We'll harvest the castings, use it on the grounds, in the landscaping, like in the shrubs and extremely healthy and is sort of a worm tea.

By August, the vermicomposting process will come full circle to the health center as the pulped food will be set to be fed to the worms in an outside storage building. The new idea came as a result of what to do with the some 400 pounds of food waste that is dispensed on average every day at Sarah Bush.

"It's the right thing to do I think," Nichols said. "The president and the administration team here thinks outside of the box, looks for alternatives. So I think it's a wonderful idea, and in the long run, I think it will be saving Sarah Bush dollars. It may be able to reduce the amount of trash pick-up." that the hospital recycles and has said that they are building on that.

"The surgical tools that we're no longer allowed to reuse, we donate to medical missions in third world countries," said Nichols. "They're able to reuse those and they appreciate that."

Bob Sarkar, the regional director for food and nutrition services at both the Provena Covenant Medical Center in Urbana and Danville has said that they do not have a vermicomposting program, but do have a program similar to Sarah Bush's reuse of surgical tools.

"Whatever leftover food we have goes to community needs," Sarkar said of the Catholic Medical Center. Eastern president Lou Nencken speaks at Illinois Girls State in June. Hencken has been at Eastern for four decades, working his way up through the student affairs department.

City council approves University Village annex

BY ADAM TESTA CITY EDITOR

The opening of the Rotary Community Aquatic Center was a major topic of discussion at Tuesday's City Council meeting.

City manager Scott Smith announced that

the pool might be open as soon as July 29. The July 29 opening is dependent on weather conditions necessary for the protective coating to cure before filling the pool. The facility must also be inspected

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by the Illinois Department of Public Health.

"If we don't get it open next Saturday, it will be within a day or two of that," Smith said.

Council member Lorelei Sims said that though the public is becoming "antsy" for the pool's opening, that they must realize the final steps that must be done.

"We can't rush when we are so close to the finish line," Sims said.

One problem that the city has encountered with the pool's reopening is staffing issues, especially with lifeguards, Smith said. Being so late in the summer, many of the past staff members have found other employment.

"We've strategized ways to have employees who are not trained lifeguards," Smith said.

There are positions where people who are not certified lifeguards would be able to work, such as at the top of the water slide, Smith said. The hope is that having these people do this work may inspire them to become certified.

Due to staffing issues, Smith said he could not guarantee that the pool will be open all day, every day.

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"We're going to try to keep it

open as long as we can," he said.

Smith also announced that the city might try to keep the Aquatic Center open past the traditional Labor Day closing date, if attendance levels warrant such action.

"The weather is still incredibly hot after Labor Day," added Sims.

Though the pool is planned to open July 29, a grand opening celebration is being planned for August 5, Smith said.

All elected officials and workers involved with the project will be invited.

"I'm just glad it's going to open for a partial season this year because there were times it didn't seem like it would," Sims said.

The Aquatic Center was closed all last summer and this far into this summer due to renovations. Smith feels that the wait will be worth it to the community.

"I think the community will be very impressed with what we have to offer," he said.

In other business, the council unanimously approved the annexation of the University Village housing complex property, located between Wal-Mart and the Campus Pointe complex. Prior to voting, the council hosted a public hearing to hear comments about the annexation.

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The only person to speak was Cristian Galli, managing partner for Taurus of Chicago, a subsidiary of Taurus Investment Holdings who own the property.

"We are very proud of the community we are developing," Galli said. "I think it's going to be a very nice student housing community."

According to City Planner Jeff Finley, Taurus is working on the final stages of a street and water lines that are now part of the city because of the annexation. The approval of the annexation will allow for water service to begin to be provided to the complex before August 1.

In other business, the council:

 Authorized the placement of two stop signs, at the intersections of Franklin and McComb streets and Olean Place and McComb Street.

Currently, one of these intersections has nothing and the other has a yield sign.

•Purchased 30 decorative street lights from Springfield Electric in Mattoon to be used as part of the ongoing improvements on the Square.

•Appointed Human Resources Director Dustha Goddard as the authorized Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund agent, after the resignation of Tamara Morris as comptroller.

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makes it fun for the kids, O'Donnell said.

Illinois State pushes

minorities to science

(U-WIRE) NORMAL - Local

high school students are attending

the Bridge Program, a six-week pro-

gram at Illinois State University to

educate themselves about career

opportunities in the fields of science.

towards encouraging minority stu-

dents to take more of an interest in

the hard sciences like biology and

chemistry when they are deciding

what careers to pursue," Pat

O'Donnell a biology graduate stu-

includes fun, hands-on activities

that get students involved, although

the program in not a school course.

tion of what we would like the activ-

ity to encompass," O'Donnell said.

to people from biology, chemistry,

forensics, environmental health,

physics and the nursing department

and asked them if they would be

interested in creating a two to three

hour hands on activity. We hope the

activity is one that shows the presen-

ters passion for what they study and

"We give the presenters a descrip-

"We sent out e-mails and talked

O'Donnell said the program

dent, said.

"The Bridge Program is geared

Antishay Gardner, Bloomington resident, who just graduated from Normal Community High School said she liked when they went into the lab and learned how to take blood from a patient and test blood and urine.

"We got to look at the blood samples and were taught how to tell if drugs or something else is in someone's system. We also learned how to test the PH level of urine," Gardner said.

On Tuesday afternoon, Cheryl Nafziger from the Mennonite College of Nursing at ISU was teaching the high school students what a career in nursing is like.

Nafziger taught them how to put an IV in a patient's arm by using a virtual computer game and let students practice wheeling one another in and out of the door without any help.

"My favorite thing we learned so far this summer was today, when we learned how to lift a patient in a Hoyer lift," Gardner said.

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A quick take on news, scheduled

events and announcements.

Local band to release album

A Charleston band, "Airgith, will hold an open release CD release party on at 7 p.m. Friday at Top of the Roc.

The band consists of a fiddle, bass, guitar and banjo player.

Their first CD, "Bridging the Ages," will be available for sale at the part.

Band member John Bishop is a staff member at Eastern

E-mail upgrade scheduled for today

Panthermail, Eastern's web mail service, will be switched to a new program called Zimbria.

The upgrade is scheduled to take place from today through Saturday.

During the upgrade, all web services, including email, will be down except for WebCT

New employee orientation scheduled

The new employee orientation, for both staff and faculty, is set for 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. on July 27 in Booth Library Conference Room 4440.

The program introduces new employees to Eastern, emphasizing the "I Am EIU " philosophy.

Summer essays eligible for contest

Paper's written from a feminist perspective for summer classes are eligible for the Women's Studies program writing contest.

The deadline for submissions is in February. Cash awards will be given to winners in both the undergraduate and graduate categories.

Students get two pay periods

Because of the end of the 2006 fiscal year, students will receive two earning statements and two direct deposits in their accounts on July 31. The pay periods ended on June 30 and July 15.

TODAY'S EVENTS

Summer 2006 Regular Textbook Sale Textbooks that have been issued to students can be purchased Tuesday, July 5th through Friday, July 28th during regular business hours. Textbook Rental Service | All Day

Doudna's future tenants still wait

BY KATEY MITCHELL CAMPUS EDITOR

It has been over three years since Eastern has promised the art department a new fine arts building.

After budget set backs and construction delays, faculty and students at Art Park West, although somewhat comfortable where they are at, want to move into Doudna Fine Arts Center as soon as possible.

"The old place was a dump," said Chris Kahler, associate professor in painting. "The last semester at the old building, over the break all the radiators and water pipes burst, damaging everything. There were holes in the ceilings and a lot of people's work got ruined. They fixed it just enough for us to teach there, but after that we were out."

Kahler has been teaching at Eastern for eight years, and he prefers teaching in Art Park rather than the old Doudna building. Many of the classrooms were cramped for space, and the condition of the rooms was like working in a dump, said Kahler.

Even though the Art Park is sectioned off into separate classrooms by metal dividers, Kahler explained that it is so much better than Doudna was.

In Art Park, classrooms are doubled in size and have working equipment.

However, some faculty and students are not as optimistic as Kahler about working in Art Park.

Many of them are still angry at the fact that the new fine arts building was supposed to be finished at least a year ago.

But due to budget problems when Governor Rod Blagojevich came into office, the budget for the building was put on hold for two years.

When it was finally approved, the university had to modify the budget since the price of steel tripled. The new building is not set to open until fall semester 2007 at the earliest.

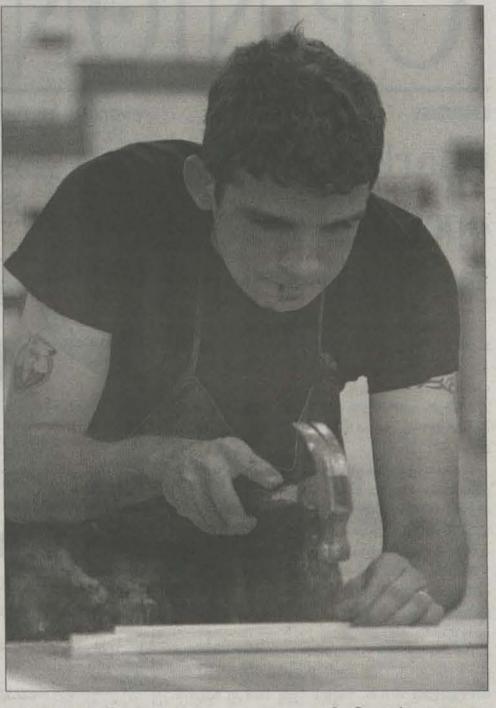
"We were promised a new building to be ready when I was a sophomore," said Courtney Becherer, art education major. "Now I am a senior and we are still without a building. That was one of the reasons I came to Eastern; we were promised a new building."

Many of the students at Art Park have never taken art classes in a building on the university campus.

Art Park has been there as long as they can remember.

Many seniors, like Becherer and Dave Trabilsy, also an art education major, will never be able to enjoy the benefits the new fine arts building will provide.

They will graduate spending all of their in



JAY GRABIEC/DAILY EASTERN NEWS A graduate art student teaches a painting class how to make a canvas frame. The painting class is attending classes at Art Park West until the Boudna Fine Arts Building is completed.

college years learning at Art Park.

"It's not as bad as it used to be now that I have a car," said Trabilsy. "It used to be worse because I would have to walk a lot farther to get here. They have a bus, but you can never count on it. It only comes at designated times and sometimes it would come ten minutes before your class ends so you would have to wait around for the next one or walk."

"It's really dangerous for freshmen who come here," said Becherer.

"For new students to walk 20-30 minutes to get back at night is not really safe."

Despite many objections, some of the other students like that at they do not have to worry about parking permits or parking in the wrong space at Ark Park. However, the fact that the spaces can get too crowded during the year and many of the students cannot stay as long as they need to work on their projects (Art Park closes at 11:30 p.m. during the main school year and 8 p.m. during the summer, and no one is allowed to stay later) upsets many students.

They want to move into the new building as soon as possible. Many are upset, though, that they will never get to see it.

Kahler concludes that Art Park "has been a great transitional space and we [art department and students] are looking forward to a new space. I know it has been really tough on students, but I also know that we look forward to being a part of the university community again."

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resume on August 21.

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Nadler spends first year working for students

BY KRISTINA PETERS

UNIVERSITY EDITOR

Dan Nadler first stepped foot on Eastern's campus as vice president of student affairs about an year ago and has

made quite an impression since then.

Upon arriving, Nadler showed that he was up to the task of vice president of student affairs through his past experience.

"Vice president DANIEL NADLER Nadler brought an Vice PRESIDENT excellent record of FOR STUDENT experience in student AFFAIRS affairs and a solid

understanding of the issues facing student affairs divisions both at Eastern and in higher education generally," said Blair Lord, vice president for academic affairs. Besides experience, Nadler showed that he wanted the best for the campus by learning fast and sharing his ideas.

"During the first several months he took his time to "learn" the campus. He was a quick learner and by the end of the fall semester, he was beginning to implement new programs for the campus," said President Lou Hencken. "I am pleased, with the new programs and ideas, especially a program that will begin with new freshmen this fall - alcohol.edu."

Alcohol.edu will be an on-line course aimed at reducing negative results connected with excessive alcohol use.

Nadler has also worked closely with the academic affairs office.

"Vice President Nadler has been a strong supporter of finding meaningful connections between the work of the Student Affairs professionals and the work of the Academic Affairs Division," Lord said. "I'm delighted with the initiatives that Vice President Nadler has undertaken with the Academic Affairs Division."

Nadler has assisted with the service learning initiative and coordinating student enrollment services, which are shared between student affairs and academic affairs

"He has great ideas and it is a pleasure to work with him," Lord said.

Nadler's work does not end there. He also hired more staff for the counseling center to benefit the students.

"He worked tirelessly last fall semester to relocate additional dollars so that additional staff could be hired in the counseling center to meet the needs of the students," Hencken said. "It has been great working with Dr. Nadler this past year and I believe that he will continue to move the Students Affairs division forward."



"Tell the truth and don't be afraid." PINION

EDITORIAL Charleston pool opening better late than never

The Charleston Rotary Aquatic Center will open next Saturday. The pool was originally scheduled to open July 4, but due to adverse weather during May and June, the opening was pushed back.

While the pool opening this summer is a good thing, the city should have worked hard to ensure it would open earlier in the summer.

The opening was then planned for July 10, but was again pushed back. On June 5, Steve Voris, the resident engineer and project manager who is overseeing the pool renovation, said, "Realistically, we are looking at July 10."

Now the city claims to be realistically looking at July 29.

Pool renovations have been underway since 2004 and while attending the pool in Charleston will be closer for Charleston residents, for two summers residents have been using pools in other towns.

The new pool will have many improved features including a zero-depth pool that will feature splash toys and water-spraying devices, features Lytle Pool in Mattoon already has.

Along with the zero-depth pool, there will be an expanded restroom, concession facilities and a new filtration system. While the upgrades may prove to be worth the wait, two years seems like a long time to upgrade restrooms and filtration systems. The city intends to have a grand opening a week after the real opening, which will include all elected officials and those involved in the project present.

If pool traffic warrants it, the city wants to extend the season past Labor Day. Which they should do. Opening the pool for roughly a month is a bad decision.

It is usually still warm in September and Eastern students return to classes August 21, which would give them just 15 days to use the new pool facilities.

Students and residents will no doubt use the pool to beat the late August and early September heat.

By keeping the pool open longer Charleston will allow residents and students ample time to use the pool this summer. THURSDAY, JULY 20, 2006

EDITORIAL CARTOON BY NORA MABERRY

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When the weak get desperate

Liberals are accused of having bleeding hearts, which would imply that conservatives' hearts don't. Yet, while liberals' hearts bleed, the heart of the conservative, rages at 100 moral sins a minute. The funny thing about the idea that liberals are the emotional party is that conservatives frequently use emotions to manipulate, I am sorry I mean motivate, the masses into voting for the supposed moral and just people.

The result of which gives us presidents with the last name of Bush.

Conservatives use the emotions of fear and hatred, which are helped out a little by sweet stupidity, to galvanize the troops for this cultural war.

They parade their blonde mascot Anne Coulter out to the front lines and she yaps like the little terrier she is and they all swoon.

Instead of dealing with the science of stem cell research and the reality of the present, the religious right throws around the idea that you are destroying future children (as if we have a shortage), innocent lives, and (my favorite) the person who could have possibly, maybe, by happenstance stumbled upon the cure for cancer. To hell with the present and the



"Then they decide that every, heart-stopping moral morsel is not only good for them but it is good for you as well. "

numerous people who, if one wants to deal with the 'future', could be helped, and science what is that?

The Republican Party is no longer the hottest ticket in town and since the image of 9/11 no longer automatically guarantees a red-vote, the party brings to the Senate and House dance floor samesex marriage.

They knew they would lose, but hey, at least they can say to the voters at home

Then when that annoying little Anne has peed on the carpet one too many times, when people pause and think about the idea of stem cells, when for one day people no longer care about other people's marriages and actually realize how much their own sucks, right when people stop to think and question the big steaming plate of manipulative idiocy they have been happily eating from, then the conservatives pull out the socio-political 20,000 calorie, you-know-it'swrong-but-it-looks-so-good piece of chocolate cake moral values.

And people eat it up like pigs at a trough, and they tell themselves that every bite is good for them.

Then they decide that every, heartstopping moral morsel is not only good for them, but it is good for you as well. And if you have the sense not to partake in their discrimination special of the day they will dutifully bend down onto their knees, clasp their hands together, and pray to God because he will of course make everything better for He, Bush, and the religious right have done such a stellar job so far.

The only problem the city will face is staffing. Many people who normally work as lifeguards already have other summer jobs.

The city knew this would occur when they pushed the pool opening back repeatedly. This should not be another excuse used to delay the pool opening.

The city has tried to find ways to have employees in positions who do not necessarily need to be trained and certified lifeguards, which is fine, but they still need to find and train lifeguards in order to keep the pool open past its scheduled Labor Day closure.

The pool opening is a good thing for the city, despite the summer being half over. The city should be commended for finally opening the pool, but needs to ensure that pool is open by July 29 so citizens have a chance to utilize and enjoy the new facilities.

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

The scary thing is that the people at home will embrace these politicians and ignore the damage to their lungs the smoke from the screen is causing.

Got comments? Let us know at DENeic@gmail.com

YOUR TURN: LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

The staff at *The Daily Eastern News* wants to know what students think about current events. Editorial cartoons run every day, while guest columns run once a week on Wednesday.

Anyone is welcome to write or draw a cartoon, but it is at the editor's discretion when to run the column or the cartoon.

Columnists Needed

Have an opinion? We want to hear it! The Daily Eastern News is looking for students interested in voicing opinions on campus, state, national and international issues through columns. The DEN reserves Wednesday guest column spot for students, faculty and members of the community. Guest columns should be a minimum of 550 words.

Cartoonists wanted

The DEN is interested in recruiting cartoonists that display artistic ability, particularly caricatures and tasteful humor as well as address campus issues.

A grasp of the news and current events is necessary for cartoonists to be effective. Columns, cartoons and letters can be submitted at room 1811 of Buzzard Hall. THURSDAY, JULY 20, 2006

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Death toll at 463, search continues for survivors

PANGANDARAN, Indonesia- Indonesia pledged to build a nationwide tsunami alert system as soldiers pulled bodies from ravaged beaches, homes and hotels Tuesday. Parents searched tearfully for their children and the death toll hit at least 463, with nearly 280 people missing.

Bodies covered in white sheets piled up at makeshift morgues, while others lay beneath the blazing sun in the tourist resort of Pangandaran, a 6-month-old baby among them.

The search for survivors continued Tuesday, with parents among the last to give up.

"The water was too strong," said Irah as she dug through a pile of rubble with her bare hands, close to the spot where she last saw her 6-year-old son. "Oh God. Eki, where are you?"

The magnitude 7.7 undersea quake on Monday triggered walls of water more than six feet high that crashed into a 110-mile stretch of beach on Java island, an area spared by the devastating 2004 Asian tsunami.

The waves destroyed houses, restaurants and hotels and tossed boats, cars and motorbikes far inland.

The government said Wednesday that emergency workers recovered dozens of more bodies, pushing the death toll to 463 with nearly 280 people missing.

Almost all the victims were Indonesians, but a Pakistani, a Swede and a Dutch citizen were among those killed, officials said. At least 42,000 people fled their homes, either because they were destroyed or in fear of another tsunami, adding to the difficulty of counting casualties. At the area's main hospital, in the town of Banjar, medics scrambled to treat a steady stream of patients, most from the Pangandaran coast. Some slept on dirty mattresses on the floot, while others were treated in the admissions hall.

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Soldiers reclaim town from Taliban

BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

KABUL, Afghanistan-Hundreds of Afghan and coalition soldiers reclaimed one town from the Taliban and moved on a second Tuesday, following an outburst of violence that has forced thousands of residents to flee their homes, the U.S. military and aid officials said.

A top Afghan security official accused Pakistani Islamist groups of helping the Taliban fighters chase police from the two towns in the south, where thousands of U.S., British, Canadian and Afghan soldiers are battling the worst surge in Taliban violence since the 2001 toppling of the hard-line regime.

Local lawmakers pleaded with Afghan President Hamid Karzai to do more to stop insurgents crossing the porous border with Pakistan.

The aid group International Organization for Migration reported about 4,000 Afghans have fled the violence in Helmand province, where the two towns were taken by the Taliban.

The militants long have operated freely in their former strongholds in the southern provinces. But their ability to capture towns highlighted the weakness of Afghanistan's police forces in remote areas, and the challenge faced by international forces in restoring order in the country.

On Monday, a band of insurgents overran Naway-i-Barakzayi and burned the town's police compound, a clinic and a school before leaving, said Helmand's deputy governor, Amir Mohammed Akhunzada.

Afghan and coalition forces retook the town Tuesday and unfurled the Afghan flag over the charred compound, Akhunzada said.



Wisconsin National Guard Capt. Okwundu Anekwe hands out grape-flavored candy to students at a boys school near Gardez in eastern Afghanistan on July 5, 2006.

a town of more than 50,000 on the Helmand River, where the Taliban on Sunday defeated 40 poorly armed policemen who had been holed up in a concrete compound for more than two weeks.

The U.S. military said Tuesday that coalition and Afghan forces had "experienced only limited small arms and rocketpropelled grenade fire" as they headed to Garmser.

Deputy Interior Minister Abdul Malik Sidiqi accused Pakistan-based Islamic groups Lashkar-e-Tayyaba which is suspected of a role in last week's Bombay, India train bombings and Jamiat Ulema-e-Islam, a pro-Taliban political party, of aiding the Garmser takeover.

Afghan officials accuse Pakistan of not doing enough to stop militants entering their country through the 1,470-mile border. Pakistan says it is doing all it can to crush insurgents and has deployed 90,000 troops along the frontier.

In the eastern Pakistani city of Lahore, Jamiat spokesman Riaz Durrani dismissed Afghan claims that his group's members were involved in the Helmand fighting.

"We are not helping any militant group in Afghanistan against (President) Hamid Karzai's government, but the fact is that he has failed to restore order," Durrani told The Associated Press.

Helmand, one of Afghanistan's most volatile regions, is dotted with small villages and towns linked by long, remote highways that provide ideal ambush sites for militants.

About 4,000 British troops, part of an expansion of NATO forces into the region, are deploying there at the end of the month to take over from U.S. forces.

The troops moved on toward Garmser,

Leftist candidate calls for 'civil resistance' in Mexico

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

MEXICO CITY - Leftist presidential candidate Andres Manuel Lopez Obrador told a vast crowd of supporters Sunday to wage a campaign of "civil resistance" to push for a manual recount of the election that he claims his conservative opponent won by fraud.

Lopez Obrador did not say what the campaign should entail, but the term "civil resistance" in Mexico often has meant protest camps and street blockades.

A crowd of more than 300,000 jammed the capital's central plaza, spilling down the city's main avenue for at least 1.5 miles and chanting "Vote by vote!" _ the slogan of the recount campaign. A recount is needed "for the economic, political and financial stability of the country," a stern-faced Lopez Obrador said, casting the coming days as "decisive days, days in which all will be tested."



"To defend democracy, we are going to be beginning peaceful civil resistance," he said.

The pro-Lopez Obrador city government estimated the crowd, packing the plaza for the second weekend in a row, at 1.1 million, although it appeared much smaller.

Felipe Calderon of President Vicente Fox's conservative National Action Party led the July 2 election by about 244,000 votes _ roughly 0.6 percent _ in official returns'. By law, he cannot be declared president-elect until the nation's electoral

Miguel Gomez, 62, marches during a rally to support the Democratic Revolutionary Party (PRD) presidential candidate, Andres Manuel Lopez Obrador, Sunday, July 16, 2006, in Mexico City, Mexico.

court rules on challenges to the election.

The court has until Aug. 31 to rule on appeals and until Sept. 6 to name a winner.

Recounts usually rely on election night tallies from each polling place, and Calderon says there is no legal basis for a complete recount. He is building a transition team and planning a nationwide victory tour.

Lopez Obrador's party has issued an 836-page appeal to the electoral court, alleging ballot stuffing, illicit government and corporate help for Calderon and other irregularities. The National Action Party has filed its own challenges, seeking to stretch Calderon's advantage.

Monitors from the European Union have said they found no

irregularities in the count.

Lopez Obrador has promised to keep convening massive marches until there is a vote-by-vote tally.

He said Sunday that "a civic committee would be set up to determine what actions would be taken."

Israeli officials say offensive could last several weeks

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

JERUSALEM-Israel declared Tuesday it was ready to fight Hezbollah guerrillas for several more weeks and possibly send ground forces into Lebanon, raising doubts about international efforts to broker an immediate cease-fire in the fighting that has killed more than 260 people and displaced 500,000.

Despite the diplomatic activity, Israel is in no hurry to end its offensive, which it sees as a unique opportunity to crush Hezbollah. The Islamic militants appear to have steadily built up their military strength after Israel pulled its troops out of southern Lebanon in 2000.

Israeli warplanes struck an army base outside Beirut and other areas in south Lebanon on Tuesday, killing 27 people, and Hezbollah rockets battered Israeli towns, killing one Israeli. Five big explosions reverberated over Beirut early Wednesday, and missiles hit towns to the east and south of the capital.

Israel's forecast of a lengthy campaign, coupled with President Bush's evident reluctance to bring pressure on 'srael to agree to a ceasefire, seemed to quash any hopes for an early resolution of the crisis, now entering its second week.

Hundreds of Americans and Europeans fled Lebanon aboard ships, and hundreds of other foreigners prepared to evacuate in coming days. Many Americans complained over what they saw as a slow U.S. response. And after criticism from Congress, the State Department dropped plans to ask Americans to pay for their evacuations on commercial vessels.

Families in southern Lebanon, the site of most Israeli airstrikes, drove north on side roads, winding among orange and banana groves and waving improvised white flags from their car windows.

In an interview with the BBC,



Lebanese citizens queue up at the Syrian-Lebanese border, hoping to be evacuated from Lebanon, July 18, 2006. Israeli airstrikes across Lebanon killed at least two dozen people, most of them civilians, while dozens of Hezboliah rockets crashed into northern Israel, killing one.

Lebanese Prime Minister Fuad Saniora said Israel is "opening the gates of hell and madness" on his country. He urged Hezbollah to release two captured Israeli soldiers but said Israel's response had been disproportionate. Bush said he suspects Syria is trying to reassert influence in Lebanon more than a year after Damascus ended what had effectively been a long-term military occupation of its smaller, weaker neighbor.

"We have made it very clear that Israel should be allowed to defend herself," Bush said in Washington. "We've asked that as she does so that she be mindful of the Saniora government. It's very important that this government in Lebanon succeed and survive."

Israeli Prime Minister Ehud Olmert blamed Iran for sparking the clashes between Israel and Hezbollah, saying the country was trying to distract the world from the controversy over its nuclear program. The offensive was sparked by the soldiers' capture July 12 but has now broadened into a campaign to neutralize Hezbollah.

"I think that we should assume that it will take a few more weeks," Maj. Gen. Udi Adam, head of the army's northern command, told Army Radio.

The army's deputy chief of staff, Maj. Gen. Moshe Kaplinski, said Israel has not ruled out deploying "massive ground forces into Lebanon."

Israel, which has mainly limited itself to attacks from the air and sea, had been reluctant to send in ground troops because Hezbollah is far more familiar with the terrain and because of memories of Israel's ill-fated 18-year-occupation of south Lebanon that ended in 2000.

But Kaplinski said Israel had no intention of getting bogged down for a second time.

'We certainly won't reach months, and I hope it also won't be many more weeks." he told Israel Radio.

Israeli Cabinet minister Avi Dichter said the country may consider a prisoner swap with Lebanon to win the soldiers' release, but only after the military operation.

White House spokesman Tony Snow said the administration opposed a return to the situation before the outbreak of violence.

"A cease-fire that would leave intact a terrorist infrastructure is unacceptable," Snow said. "So what we're trying to do is work as best we can toward a cease-fire that is going to create not only the conditions, but the institutions for peace and democracy in the region."

Diplomatic efforts to end the fighting, which has killed at least 237 people in Lebanon and 25 in Israel, continued Tuesday, as a U.N. mediation team met with Israeli leaders a day after speaking with Lebanese officials in Beirut.

Sudan faces increased pressure to accept U.N. force

Call for African Union troops to be replaced by U.N. peacekeepers



had assured him more would be provided later to keep the operation afloat.

Although NATO and the EU have provided training and other support, the AU force is thinly spread around the remote area Darfur continue a third year of suffering."

Since 2003, the Darfur conflict has killed some 200,000 and forced 2 million to flee their homes.

The violence in Darfur erupted when non-Arab tribes revolted against Sudan's Arab-led government, which is accused of responding by unleashing Arab militias known as the janjaweed, which have been blamed for the worst atrocities. Delegates expressed hope the Sudanese government was edging toward dropping its opposition to a U.N. force, which European Union foreign ministers described in a statement Monday as "the only viable and realistic" long-term option in Darfur.

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

BRUSSELS, Belgium -World powers pressed the Sudanese government Tuesday to accept a U.N. peacekeeping force in Darfur province to replace overstretched African Union troops who have struggled to protect civilians from rebels and pro-government militias.

Delegates from more than 70 nations at a conference on Sudan were united in calling for the U.N. force, which the Sudanese government is refusing to allow in to replace AU peacekeepers, and a halt to violence in the vast western region.

"This must stop immediately," U.S. Secretary-General Kofi Annan said, warning that those frustraring peace efforts could face international sanctions. SHASHANK BENGALI/MCT PHOTO

Maj. Gregoire Seshengero of the African Union takes notes as villagers describe a June 29 rebel attack on their village of Tarny, in northern Darfur. Darfur's once-united rebels are now fighting each other, leaving civilians dead and threatening a vaunted peace deal in western Sudan.

The daylong conference raised \$200 million in fresh donations to support the 7,300-member AU force in Darfur, about half what the AU says it needs to keep the mission running until the end of the year, when the U.N. hopes to take over

peacekeeping.

The United States provided \$116 million, the European Commission \$38 million and the Netherlands \$25 million.

The head of the African Union, Alpha Oumar Konare, said nations roughly the size of France.

In an appeal to the conference, aid agencies said the lack of manpower and equipment meant the African force could not adequately protect villages and refugee camps.

"This lack of funding means patrols in and around camps are impossible or have been scaled back," said Denis Caillaux, secretary general of CARE international.

"We are seeing people attacked, killed or raped as a result."

The conference also increased pressure on two Darfur rebel groups that rejected a May peace deal with the government.

"Those who have signed the Darfur peace agreement are not implementing it, and there remain two important parties who continue to refuse to sign it," said European Union foreign policy chief Javier Solana. "Meanwhile the people of "We are closer probably to having a change in that position," Solana said after talks with Sudanese Foreign Minister Lam Akol.

The United States is pushing for the handover to a U.N. force to be carried out as soon as September. "The key here is to move forward rapidly," said Jendayi Frazer, assistant secretary of state for African affairs. spokesman said.

News briefs from across the

United States.

disrupts flights

LOS ANGELES-A power outage at a radar facili-

ty cut communications and disrupted air travel in and out of Southern California for more than an

hour Tuesday, a Federal Aviation Administration

Control Center was reported shortly after 5:30 p.m.

and power was restored about 90 minutes later, said

Allen Kenitzer, a regional spokesman for FAA.

The cause of the problem was not known.

re-established," Kenitzer said.

them, Kenitzer said.

Kenitzer said.

Harold Johnson said.

Yates returns to court

testified Tuesday in her murder trial.

children," Dr. Michael Welner told jurors.

The outage at the Los Angeles Air Route Traffic

"The generator kicked in, and backup power was

Some planes were able to land in the region dur-

The radar center is located north of Los Angeles in

the high desert at Palmdale. It handles flights on

long-distance routes at 38,000 feet or higher in

Southern California and parts of Arizona, Nevada

and Utah. Most regional flights were not affected,

fifth-busiest in terms of passenger volume, was "pret-

ty much shut down" during the outage, spokesman

HOUSTON- Andrea Yates drowned her five chil-

dren in their bathtub because she was overwhelmed

and felt inadequate as a mother, not because of any

altruistic or religious motive, a forensic psychiatrist

"In my professional opinion, Andrea Yates

No symbols were found at the scene that would

suggest a religious motive, and when Yates initially

drowned her children to help herself, not to help her

Los Angeles International Airport, the world's

- The Associated Press

ing the outage because smaller air facilities, which were not affected, helped to communicate with

Radar outage

Senate approves stem cell bill

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON - There were no cameras to record it, but President Bush made history Tuesday in the confines of his Oval Office by vetoing the first bill of his presidency _ legislation that would have increased federal funding of embryonic stem cell research.

The ceremony came 40 minutes later, when Bush strode into the White House's grand East Room, packed with 18 families who have adopted leftover frozen embryos and have used them to bear 24 children _ and three more are on the way.

Bush was making the case that those children are the proper use of embryos. Others contend that leftover embryos that aren't donated could be used for research into curing life-altering diseases.

"This bill would support the taking of innocent human life in the hope of finding medical benefits for others," Bush said. "It crosses a moral boundary that our decent society needs to respect."

Most Americans disagree with the president, according to public opinion polls. A number of lawmakers expressed confidence the legislation would someday become law and some suggested Bush's stance could hurt Republicans in congressional elections this fall.

"Mr. President, we will not give up," said Sen. Edward Kennedy, D-Mass. "We will continue this battle.

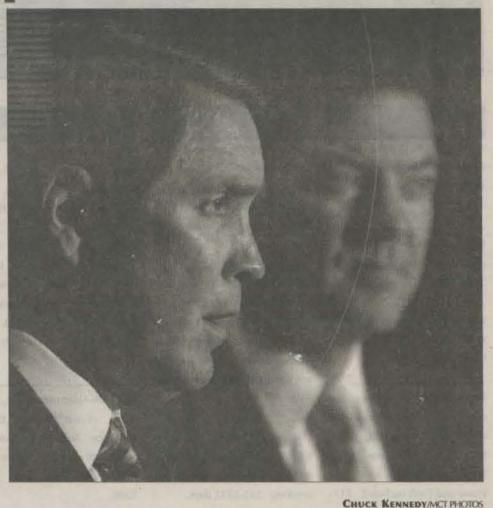
Bush was making good on a promise he made in 2001 to limit federally funded embryonic research to the stem cell lines that had been created by the time.

Bush's added his signature to the bottom of a two-page message that was promptly hand-delivered to the House of Representatives, where the legislation began.

Just over five hours later, the House voted 235-193 to override the president's veto, 51 short of the two-thirds majority necessary.

"If we are to find the right ways to advance ethical medical research, we must also be willing when necessary to reject the wrong ways," his message said. "For that reason, I must veto this bill."

Bush has made 141 veto threats during his time in office, and the Republicans controlling Congress typically respond by changing bills to his liking.



Senate Majority Leader Bill First (R-TN) left, and Sen. Sam Brownback (R-KS) take part in a Capitol Hill news conference in Washington, Monday, July 17, 2006 on stem cell research.

His single veto is a departure from the practices of other recent presidents _ Bill Clinton had 37, Bush's father had 44 and Ronald Reagan had 78.

Supporters of embryonic stem cell research have had powerfully moving proponents on their side, including the late "Superman" star Christopher Reeve and actor Michael J. Fox, who suffers from Parkinson's disease.

Bush tried to put a face on his position, too. On stage behind the president and in the audience were two dozen cheerful children wearing their Sunday best who were born from those leftover embryos.

"These boys and girls are not spare parts," Bush said. "They remind us of what is lost when embryos are destroyed in the name of research."

Also in the crowd were four embryo donor families and four patients who have been aided by adult stem cells. Those cells are found in various tissues, including bone marrow. Bush supports research involving

adult stem cells.

As he vetoed the bill, he signed another that was passed unanimously in both chambers that would ban "fetal farming," the prospect of raising and aborting fetuses for scientific research. "Human beings are not a raw material to be exploited, or a commodity to be bought or sold, and this bill will help ensure that we respect the fundamental ethical line," Bush said, drawing a shout of "Amen!" from one of the fathers on stage with him.

Bush said he was disappointed that Congress failed to pass a third bill that would encourage adult stem cell research.

Opponents said it would have given lawmakers political cover for opposing the embryonic stem cell bill. But Bush said it would fund vital and ethical research, and he would direct his administration to pursue this kind of science.

Pleadings from celebrities, former first lady Nancy Reagan and some fellow Republicans had failed to move Bush.

told police she killed the children, she didn't say that she sent them to heaven or was trying to save them from hell, as she later told a jail psychiatrist. Yates was convicted of capital murder in 2002, but the conviction was overturned by an appeals court

that said some erroneous testimony may have influenced jurors. Her retrial traces much of the same ground as the original.

If convicted, Yates will be sentenced to life in prison. If the jury instead sides with her plea of innocent by reason of insanity, she could be committed to a state hospital.

Dozens injured, two critically, when ship lists badly THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

PORT CANAVERAL, Fla.-A steering problem caused a new cruise ship to roll abruptly said Cape Canaveral Fire Tuesday, throwing passengers and crew to the deck and injuring dozens, including two critically, officials said.

who were critically hurt, 12 people were seriously hurt and about 70 had lesser injuries, Rescue Capt. Jim Watson.

"I was just holding on for dear life onto the banister of the ship."

posed to be "Titanic."

Stan Payne, CEO of the Canaveral Port Authority, said the cruise line wanted passengers to wait until other lodging could be arranged, but were free to leave the vessel if they wanted. He said the ship would remain in port for several days.

- The Associated Press

Cooler weather helps fight wildfires

YUCCA VALLEY, Calif.- Cooler temperatures and higher humidity helped crews battling a cluster of wildfires Tuesday that had blackened some 130 square miles of southern California wilderness and destroyed nearly 60 homes.

The fires showed little movement as temperatures dropped some 20 degrees from the triple-digit highs of last week and the humidity reached 45 percent or higher in the mountain and desert region about 100 miles east of Los Angeles.

"It's really looking good," said Art Morrison of the U.S. Forest Service.

One fire remained within a few miles of the tiny town of Rainbow and Big Bear, a community of thousands, but Rich Phelps of the Forest Service said it wasn't considered a real threat.

Crews hoped to fully surround the largest fire in the cluster, about 96 square miles, by nightfall Tuesday. The fire destroyed 58 homes and was believed to be linked to one death.

- The Associated Press

One passenger said seawater flooded several upper decks of the Crown Princess, forcing water from a swimming pool "like a mini-tsunami," and breaking windows and furniture.

The vessel, with about 3,100 passengers and 1,200 crew, had just departed Port Canaveral on Florida's east coast en route to New York when it listed badly to its left side, said Coast Guard spokesman Petty Officer James Judge.

The ship then righted itself before returning to port, where the Coast Guard said all passengers and crew had been accounted for.

Besides an adult and a child

Thirty-three people were taken to hospitals, he said. Most had bruises and minor back and neck injures.

Tom Daus, 32, was sunbathing on the ship's upper deck when the ship began to list.

"It became very disastrous because tables, glasses, lounge chairs went flying," he told The Associated Press in a cell phone interview. "I was just holding on for dear life onto the banister of the ship."

Daus, of New York City, said several of the upper decks were flooded and the elevators were inoperable. Gym equipment flipped over, TVs fell off their shelves and shattered glass was strewn across the deck, he said. "The water came gushing out of the pool like a miniTOM DAUS, PASSENGER

tsunami," he said. "It was really scary. People who were in the pool were shoved out."

Daus said most of the injured he saw were senior citizens being taken out on wheelchairs or stretchers. The remaining passengers were mostly calm, despite the chaos, he said.

Bonnie Storie, 50, of Rochester, N.Y., was traveling with her husband and teenage son. "It felt like (the ship) was going to fall over," she said. "It was shocking.

Chris Broadbent, a 33-yearold honeymooner from New York City, said Tuesday night's movie on the ship was sup-

Princess Cruises, one of 12 brands operated by Miamibased Carnival Corp., said it was investigating the cause of the incident.

'We deeply regret this incident, and are doing everything we can to make our passengers as comfortable as possible under these difficult circumstances," company spokeswoman Julie Benson said.

Martha Stewart christened the Crown Princess last month before it embarked on its maiden voyage to the Caribbean from its home terminal in the New York borough of Brooklyn.

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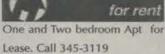
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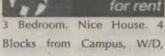
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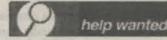
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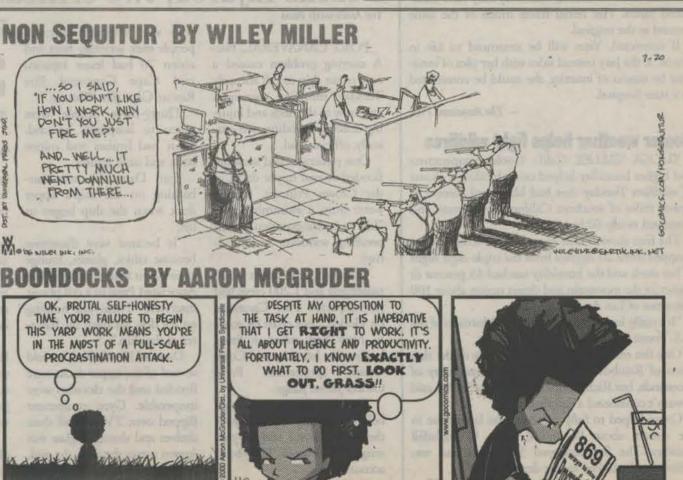
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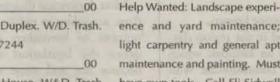
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"I have to be totally immersed and excited about this job," said Hencken. "And the questions is whether or not I have the energy level to keep it up."

Hencken's energy level has allowed him to serve Eastern for 40 years. Hencken began his career at Eastern as a resident hall adviser, then a graduate assistant and then as resident hall director. Hencken was named director of housing in 1975. In 1992, he was named vice president for student affairs. In 2001, Hencken was named Eastern's president when Carol Surles resigned due to health reasons. A national search was conducted in the fall of 2001 but was deemed unsuccessful. Hencken's contract was extended again in April and expires on June 30, 2007.

If Hencken does decide to retire, he wants the Board of Trustees to be prepared for the presidential search and transition that will take place.

"'I'm a person that's very pro active, if you hear that we're having meetings with the board about presidential transition then that's true," said Hencken.

Hencken wants the Board of Trustees to be prepared for the presidential search due to personal experience when he was president of the Sarah Bush Lincoln Health Center board of directors.

"I used to be chair of the hospital and one day the CEO came in and said, 'By the way I'm taking a job in Atlanta,'" said Hencken. "That was quite a shock and because that happened to me and I don't want that to happen to anyone else."

Board members have already begun to address the presidential transition process. Board member Roger Kratochvil attended a workshop on presidential transition during the Association of Governing Board Conference. During the April Board of Trustees meeting Kratochvil said that at the conference it was said that a planned exit is best, something Hencken knows.

"Ideally and I know this isn't possible," said Hencken. "The way I would like to go would be all of a sudden on a Friday say, 'I'm not coming back,' so I'm not a lame duck, but I know that isn't possible in this sort of a job. "

Kratochvil also learned at the conference that former university presidents should not be involved in the search but still be visible to the collegiate community.

Hencken has already admitted that during any presidential search his input will be non-existent.

"I will have to stay completely out of it, that is the only thing a president can do." Hencken said.

"The same is true during the hiring process because I would be bias and say, 'Well I think you should hire this person," Hencken said.

Whether Hencken decides to retire in June, he feels that it is important for the board to start planning for the eventual transition.

"You start having them think about that, and when you have a president that's 62 years old they have to realize, 'He's not going to be here forever,'" Hencken said.

This is not the first time Hencken has contemplated retirement during his 40-year tenure at the University. "Twe been thinking about retiring

for 10 years," said Hencken. The question Hencken asks him-

self when deciding whether to retire from the University is always the same. Does he have the enthusiasm for the job?

"Do I have the enthusiasm?" said Hencken. "I take this job seriously and think that I have to take students and do the best job I can so people don't get cheated."

Doing the best job he can means dedicating himself 24 hours a day to Eastern.

"It is a 24 hour and seven day a week job," said Hencken. "In the summer you get regenerated, the fall is a great time because people are excited."

While fall is an exciting time for Hencken, he admits that recently his excitement has lowered for participating in certain events.

"There is no question about it," said Hencken. "There are some things, that all of a sudden, are just a chore."

Even if Hencken does retire, his impact on Eastern will be felt long after his last day.

"He cares for students and loves this university," said Mark Hudson, director of housing. "He bleeds Eastern blue in the truest sense of the word."

Provost Blair Lord, one of Hencken's closest colleagues, said that Hencken was successful at Eastern because he believed in what he does.

"He became president on the same day I became provost, and we have a wonderful working relationship," Lord said. "He has brought real stability to the senior management team at Eastern."

While Lord praised Hencken's management skills, Allen Lanham, dean of Booth Library, praised his work with the library.

"He has been supportive of us providing the best possible information services to the students and professors," Lanham said.

It is Hencken's work with students that many believe will be his legacy at Eastern.

During a recent campus tour of housing office graduate students,

Hencken saw them outside of his office touring the campus and came outside just to say hello, said Hudson.

"I don't think you will find a university president who is as accessible as he is," Hudson said.

"I love being with students," said Hencken. "I really do."

This love of students does not go unnoticed by Hencken's colleagues.

"What I really appreciate is that he cares so much about students and he makes sure as an institution we keep that in the forefront," said Hudson. "Lou's legacy is care for the students."

If Hencken does choose to retire, he said he would finish out his term and then transition into teaching.

"In my contract it states I can teach part time for three years, said Hencken. "So I won't go from running to sitting down."

Whether or not he decides to retire, Hencken still has plans for Eastern.

"The biggest problem you face as president is funding," said Hencken. "I really do believe in quality and we want the best quality for the students, so the funding issue takes a lot of our time."

Next year Hencken plans on having the vice presidents doing more work on campus, so he can travel to Springfield to get more funding for the university and visit alumni for fundraising activities.

Hencken and the other administrators have a list of certain projects they want to finish. The first is the Fine Arts building, which is scheduled for completion in fall 2007. Hencken would also like to decide where to put textbook rental.

"I want to come to resolution on either we're going to move textbook rental or not," said Hencken. "And now that we have a pretty good estimate of what it's going to cost, I would like to do it."

The nursing program is another aspect of the upcoming year that Hencken is very excited about.

"The first class would enter in fall 2007. It might be nice to see the first class go in," Hencken said.

Funding for the nursing program and the fine arts building are the two main issues that Hencken faces in the upcoming year.

"The fine arts building is going to be a big building and we're going to need money to pay the utilities and we're going to need money for the equipment in there," said Hencken.

"I believe the only limiting factors in the size in the first classes of nurses is the funding," said Hencken. "We're working with the state and with the federal government."

Hencken returned to Eastern this week from a vacation, a vacation that was used to contemplate his future at the University.

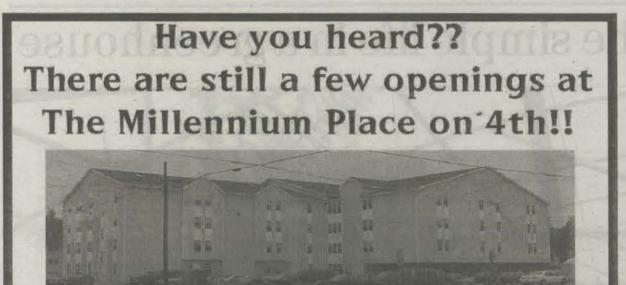
"My vacation was wonderful and I'm excited to come back," said Hencken.

Before he left for vacation, Hencken said, "I'm going to do a lot of thinking over my vacation period and let everyone know in September."

Whenever Hencken does decide to announce his retirement, be it this year or years from now, he has a clear vision of what that announcement will include.

"Whenever I announce that this will be my last year everyone will hear that this is what I want to do, I want to raise this amount of money, I want to finish this building, so people we see I have these goals and I'm working on them. "

"People are going to remember how I left as president, not the fact that I opened Stevenson tower or what a great job I did," said Hencken. "but they will remember how I leave."

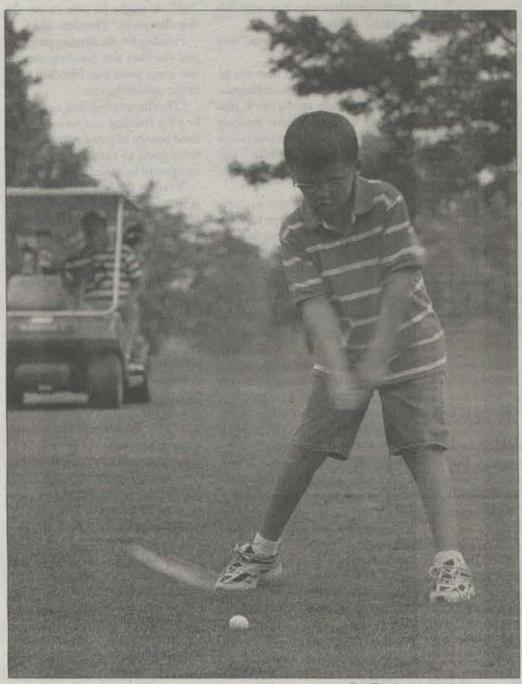




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Local golfers change habits to beat heat



JAY GRABIEC/THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

Seven-year-old Ryan Smitley takes a swing on the fourth hole fairway at Charleston Country Club golf course while practicing with his father Blaine Smitley. Ryan's mother, Jamie Smitley, teaches a speech pathology course at Eastern.

BY ADAM TESTA CITY EDITOR

Recent temperatures have caused many people to adjust their daily schedules. Among those affected are local golfers and golf course management.

With the heat and what not, people seem to adjust their habits to it," said Rich Neal of Bent Tree Golf Course in Charleston.

Many patrons of area golf courses have adjusted their schedules to be able to golf in the morning, in hopes of avoiding the midday heat.

They either come out earlier or they don't come out at all," said Dustin Sloat of Charleston Country Club, Sloat said that not many peo-

ple play during the anyway week because of work schedules.

"On Saturdays we have a lor of people come out between 7-11/ [a.m.], and the tee sheet is pretty empty after that," Sloat said. However, there are also many people that do not let the heat fize them enough to cancel their golf plans.

"There are a lot of them that come out at 1:00 in the afternoon and it doesn't seem to faze them," Neal said.

"Up until [Wednesday] people had been avoiding the 1:00 or 2:00 time, but [Wednesday] people filled it," said Chad Pellum of Mattoon Golf and Country Club. Ross Laux, senior physical education major, started a round of golf at noon Wednesday despite temperatures in the mid-90s.

"[The heat] doesn't really stop me," Laux said. "Maybe humid ity. I don't like humidity."

"It doesn't bother me, but I think it changes a lot of people's minds for coming out."

RYAN NEWLIN

Ryan Newlin and Craig Beaumont were finishing up the front nine in the noontime heat, but neither of the thought that the heat affected their desire to play the game. "[The heat] doesn't stop it at all," Beaumont

"It doesn't bother me, but I think it changes a lot of people's minds for coming out," Newlin said.

Weather has rarely been able to stop Beaumont from playing.

"The coldest we've ever played in was 30 degrees, and the hottest was probably 110 [degrees]," he said.

Peter Andrews, of Charleston, said that he tries to beat the heat by playing nine holes at a time rather than a full 18-hole round.

"I golf several times a week, nine holes at a time, so it's not too bad," Andrews said.

In addition to the people who adjust their schedules and those who play through the heat, there are also some golfers who just do not golf at all while the weather is this hot.

"One of the things I look forward to every summer is golfing," said Andrew Ehrlich, senior history and social sciences major, "but with this heat, playing 18 holes would probably feel like playing 100."

Green thumb enjoys the simple life in a greenhouse

BY MEAGAN MORGAN STAFF WRITER

Leaving the busy office life behind, Jill Deitz went back to a simpler time, to what she knows best, what runs in her blood; gardening.

Deitz, with her husband and twin brother, opened Four Seasons Garden Center 27 years ago at 312 N. Logan in Mattoon and purchased the one at 1050 Nursery Road in Charleston 17 years ago.

"My brother had a small landscaping company at the time and he asked my husband to become his partner," said Deitz. "It just kinda blossomed from there."

Before Four Seasons, Deitz worked as an insurance



clerk for a medical office, cleaned houses and raised her children.

Growing up on a farm, Deitz learned to work with her hands and with the land.

The family passion to work with the land has driven many of their careers. Deitz father was a farmer, her twin brother was in landscaping before Four Seasons and her son is a golf course superintendent taking care of the lawn maintenance.

"You have to have an interest for it," said Deitz.

The Charleston location is her primary shop, in fact, it is her back yard.

She considers Four Seasons medium in size when compared locally. The nursery is large at about eight acres with two ponds, said Deitz. The nursery in Mattoon is "not real big."

Although spring is her busy time, Deitz uses the slow summer months to catch up any unfinished work.

Increasing gas prices have made her job difficult, costing her \$4,000 a month to heat her greenhouses.

She has many regulars and what her customers purchase most: flowers, perennials and annuals. "People love flowers," said Deitz.

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Plants continue to thrive in the greenhouse at Four Seasons garden center in Charleston. Four Seasons' nursery is large at about eight acres with two ponds. Because of increasing gas prices it now cost \$4,000 to heat the greenhouse. Four Seasons opened 27 years ago at 312 N. Logan in Mattoon and the nursery at 1050 Nursery Road in Charleston opened 17 years ago.

Young campers learn fun side of basketball

Kindergarten to junior high boys participate in day camp

BY CHRIS SENTEL SPORTS REPORTER

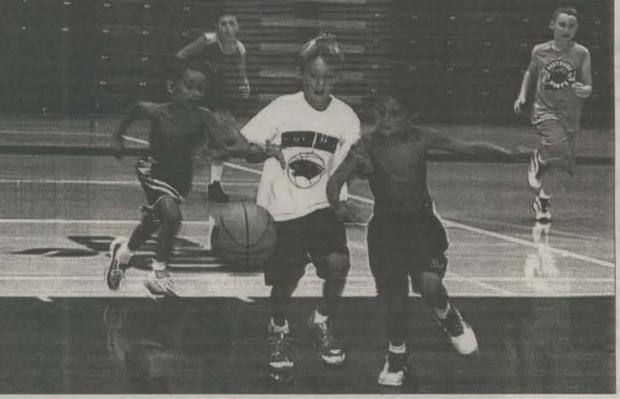
Eastern's boys' basketball day camp began on Monday, but it differed from the previous basketball camps.

All of Eastern's other basketball camps this year have ranged from junior high to the high school level.

This week's camp is for boys from kindergarten to junior high. Because of the difference in ages, the camp is run differently.

"We have some five- and six-yearold kids in the camp so we want them to have fun. We want them to have a chance to enjoy playing basketball and we are trying to teach them some fundamentals and just work with them," said men's basketball head coach and camp director Mike Miller.

With many of the camp participants being so young, the camp counselors have to be more patient with the kids and remember that the whole purpose of the camp is for the kids to have fun and make new



NORA MABERRY/ THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

Gampers at the Boys Basketball Day camp struggle for the ball during a down the court press. Monday at Lantz Arena. The campers were taught the fundamental of basketball.

friends.

We are trying to incorporate a little of both technique and focus on the fun side of basketball, the kids are here all day so we definitely have to incorporate some fun in there,

but the main purpose is to develop the fundamentals and teach them the true definition of playing basketball," said assistant men's basketball coach and camp counselor Marcus Belcher.

As with all of Eastern's camps this year, the day camp gives the kids a chance to interact with kids in the same age group as themselves and make new friends with a similar passion in sports.

"I came to camp to learn some new stuff and make some new friends, so far the best part has been the five-on-five scrimmaging," camper Jordan Boldig said.

Camp began Monday and concludes today, practice time begins at 9 a.m. and goes until 3 p.m.

The kids spend most of the day practicing and scrimmaging against each other but they are given frequent water breaks and chances to do activities that get them out of the hot gym.

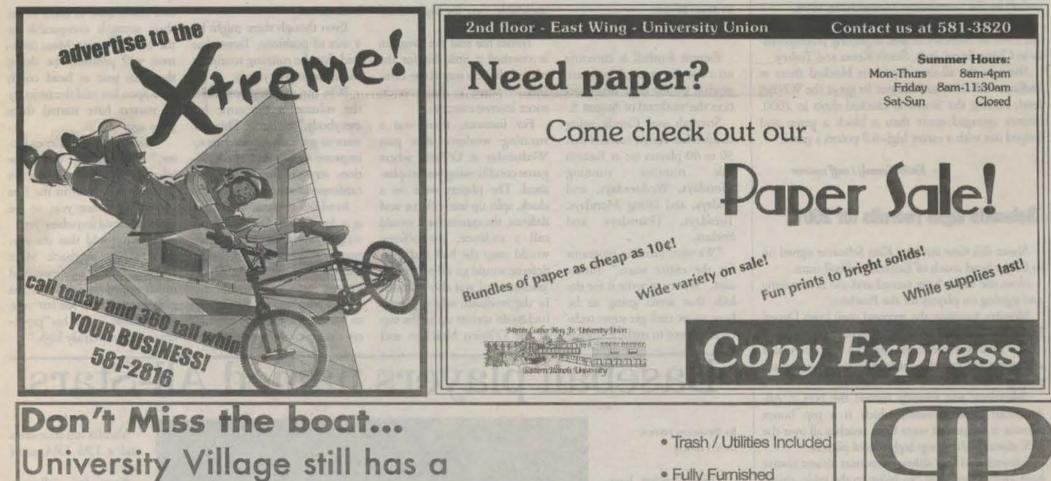
One of the activities the campers have been able to do to help cool off, is to take advantage of Eastern's indoor pool.

According to Miller, the kids are all from the nearby area.

He estimates that the campers are all from within a 30-mile radius of Charleston.

"My grandpa lives here and I wanted to get better at basketball, so I thought it would be fun to come to this camp. So far I've learned a lot about defense," camper T.J. Gates said.

When the campers leave Eastern at the end of the camp, they will be leaving behind all the friends they made here, but the counselors hope the things they learned while they were here will stick with them and help them down the road.



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Panthers hire assistant coach

Quacy Barnes played in the WNBA, coached at Indiana University and Austin Peay and is now joining the Panther's women's team as an assistant coach.

Barnes will join assistant coaches April O'Neil and recent addition Megan Sparks this season to try and improve over last year's 10-19 record.

The 6'5" Barnes will be a welcoming addition to this team's post players.

"I'm really excited," O'Neil said.

"We've accepted her so well, especially in the post position. She's 6'5," has played so many different arenas and will be able to bring that into her coaching experience."

For a senior 6'0" post player like Megan Scraggs, the opportunity to play under O'Neil is nothing short of exciting.

"Especially since she's a post coach, I think it [the coaching staff] would be complete with her," Scraggs said. "I'm just excited to learn from her."

Barnes became the first Indiana Hoosier alumnus to enter the WNBA draft, as she was selected 22nd overall by the Sacramento Monarchs in 1998.

She went on to also play for the Seattle Storm and the Phoenix Mercury as well as playing professionally in China, Israel, Italy, South Korea and Turkey.

She was the all-time leader in blocked shots at Indiana with 269, and did not let up at the WNBA level, leading the Storm in blocked shots in 2000. Barnes averaged more than a block a game and helped out with a career high 6.7 points a game.

- Kevin Kenealy / staff reporter

Schuette signs recruits for 2007

About this time last year Kim Schuette signed on to be the head coach of Eastern's softball team.

Now, the tables have turned and she is recruiting and signing on players for the Panthers.

Monday morning she received mail from Denee' Menzione that may help the team in the future.

The mail was Menzione's official letter of intent saying she will join the Panthers in the spring, completing Schuette's 2007 recruiting class.

Menzione was recently named the NFCA All-American award winner, which is a top honor because it consists of votes from coaches all over the U.S. distinguishing top high school players.

Schuette said that although recruits almost always have awards that they can bring to the table, this is her first time signing a NFCA All-American.



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Eastern Illinois University, Charleston

Eastern football's defense run drills at O'Brien Stadium Wednesday afternoon. Although temperatures reached 100 degrees, 35 members of the football team gather seven times a week to condition for the upcoming season.

Players prepare for fall season

BY KEVIN KENEALY STAFF REPORTER

Eastern football is currently on a five-day strength program gearing up for their first prac-

tices the weekend of August 5. Strength and Conditioning coach Matt Turner has said that

30 to 40 players are at Eastern summer running this Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays, and lifting Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays.

"We write summer programs for the entire team," Turner said. "We try to write it for the kids that aren't going to be here, so we can't get super technical; we got to make it understandable, easy for high school kids."

Turner has said the program is tweaked a little bit for the players that do stay at the campus, however, as they can do more intense exercises.

For instance, there was a running workout this past Wednesday at O'Brien where game conditioning was emphasized. The players were on a clock, split up into offense and defense, the quarterback would call a cadence, the offense would snap the ball and then defense would go off on that. A 'stadium run' was also included in the workout, where players had to do sprints up to the top of the O'Brien bleachers and back down.

Even though there might be a mix of positions, Turner has said that the running routine is the same for everybody.

"On the running emphasis, the volume is the same for everybody," he said. "Things I want to get accomplished are to improve agility and coordination, straight line speed and cardiovascular conditioning."

In addition to running, there is a four-day split routine on weight lifting that consists of two days on the upper body, two on the lower body, where presses, pulls and squats are always emphasized. According to Turner, the majority of players that sit out are freshmen

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Vaculik are both playing

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and this is done in order to get their strength comparable to the older veterans. More freshmen will probably be doing that this year as head coach Bob Spoo has said the majority of starters have started three years ago.

"We have the experience factor," Spoo said. "We know what it's going to take, but we did get shut down in the first playoff game last year, so we haven't arrived anywhere yet."

Spoo has said that the surprises of quarterback Mike Donato, Eastern's defense, and much-improved special teams play were nice to see last year, and because of that his "expectations are extremely high.

Baseball players named All-Stars

BY BRANDON NETLUK SPORTS EDITOR

Vaculik has four saves and a 1.76 ERA as of July 9. Eastern's all-time saves leader has also struck out 15 in 15 1/3 innings. Vaculik is taking the summer league opportunity to add another pitch to his repertoire. "I'm trying to work on my change-up," Vaculik said. A major difference between summer ball and league play for the Panthers is the use of wooden bats, as opposed to the aluminum bats the players are accustomed to. "You have to concentrate a lot more," Huber "If you aren't said. ready, you will break the bat."

"Denee gets it done defensively and is able to hit the long balls," Schuette said.

These are two of the main reasons why Schuette decided to recruit Menzione in the first place.

Schuette also liked the fact that Menzione is accustomed to winning throughout her softball career.

Menzione will be coming from Downers Grove South High School, which placed second in the IHSA State Championship this year.

We graduated Rachel Karos, a third baseman and excellent player," Schuette said. "This year and I want to see Denee' work on filling her shoes."

Although Schuette said third base is Denee's best position, she said Denee' is also capable of playing second base or outfield.

Despite the fact that Karos was the only starter that graduated this year, Schuette expects competition for all nine starting positions.

"This year we brought in more athleticism," she said. "They are a feisty bunch and will challenge returning players."

- Liz Richards / staff reporter

Three Panther baseball players were recently named to their wood bat summer league All-Star teams.

First baseman Erik Huber, third baseman Ryan Campbell and pitcher Chris Vaculik, all seniors, were each selected to play in their respective league's versions of the midsummer classic.

Huber led the Ohio Valley Conference in batting average and onbase percentage this past season and is continuing that success as he leads the Brainerd Blue Thunder of the Northwoods League of Wisconsin and

FILE PHOTO/THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS Junior first basement Erik Huber tries to put the tag down on an attempted pick off. Huber was named to the wood bat summer league All-Star teams.

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Huber likes the fact

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do not get a chance to work on during the spring as the results are not the most important thing during the summer.

"I'm trying to improve my swing for more power," Huber said.