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## Woodchuck Fest returns to Charleston

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### CAMPUS

# Energy center to break ground in October

### New facility scheduled to work by fall 2011

By Emily Zulz  
News Editor

The Renewable Energy Center is back on track with construction slated to begin in October.

"Our goal at this point is to have the Renewable Energy Center running by the third heating season,



PHOTO PROVIDED BY RYAN SIEGEL

**ABOVE:** An architect's sketch of the north side of the Renewable Energy Center, which will be commissioned in October 2011.

**RIGHT:** The southern side of the current coal plant set to be decommissioned in October 2012.

Winter 2011/2012," said Paul McCann, director of business services/ treasurer.

Before groundbreaking on the new facility can begin, the university must first complete construction contract negotiations and approvals from the Board of Higher Education, Commission on Fiscal Responsibility, and the Procurement Policy Board.

"Everything has been completed except the sale and issuance of the bonds and the signing of the contract with Honeywell," McCann said.

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### Renewable Energy Center construction timeline

Project approval of EIU Board of Trustees.	Permit application to IEPA.	Construction contract negotiations and Board of Higher Education, Commission on Fiscal Responsibility and Accountability, and the Procurement Policy Board approvals.	Ground breaking of new Renewable Energy Center's site.	Building shell completion.	Renewable Energy Center commissioned.	Coal plant decommissioned.
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TIMELINE BY CHRIS LEE | THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

### CITY

# Two local pizza places close; other development could happen soon

By Stephen Di Benedetto  
City Editor

The economy was to blame for closing one pizza place in Charleston, while the reason for closing another is still uncertain.

Lindsy Miller, director of corporate communications for Papa Murphy's International, said the Papa Murphy's outlet in town closed July 20, because of a poor economy.

"Due to current economic conditions, it wasn't performing to our standards," she said.

Corporate headquarters decided to close the store, which is located near the corner of Lincoln Avenue and University Drive.

Miller declined to comment about whether the outlet was losing money.

Across the street from Papa Murphy's, Villa Pizzeria closed around two months ago.

Jon Arena, owner of the pizzeria, declined to comment on the closing.

Both restaurants opened for business at the end of 2007, and each offered different options. Papa Murphy's specialized in the "take-and-bake" option where costumers could carryout pizza and cook it on their own.

Villa Pizzeria offered a sit-down atmosphere with a buffet option.

Their Mattoon restaurant, 2013 Western Ave., remains open.

Mayor John Inyart did not know the exact reasons why the pizza places closed so quickly,

but he said many businesses have operated with caution throughout the last year.

"I think they are a victim of the circumstances of today's economy," he said.

He said, as mayor, it was disheartening to see new businesses start and experience difficulties soon thereafter.

The crowded pizza market may have also caused the closings, Inyart said.

Charleston restaurants that offer pizza are: Pizza Hut, Pagliai's Pizza, Chubby's Pizza, Monical's Pizza, Jerry's Pizza, Little Caesar's Pizza, Domino's, Papa John's and Boxa.

"We have, perhaps, reached our peak for the number of pizza places that we can stand," Inyart said.

Other vacant areas along Lincoln Avenue could see some development soon, while the state of the economy may have halted additional commercial development in other areas.

Inyart said the owners of the "How Y'all Are" property, 107 W. Lincoln Ave., have expressed a renewed commitment to either redevelop or sale the property.

"That's probably all I want to say at this point," Inyart said.

How Y'all Are closed in 1998 and has remained vacant since.

Inyart said a developer has filed a building permit for the vacant Harrison's Cycling



AUDREY SAWYER | THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS  
Villa Pizzeria is among the businesses that have closed in the Charleston area.

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### CAMPUS

# Student body president wowed by Panther Nation turnout

By Sarah Jean Bresnahan  
Campus Editor

Michelle Murphy was shocked with the turnout at Thursday night's Panther Nation meeting.

"I sent out probably 300 e-mails to people who signed up on the interest list," said the student body president before the meeting. "I would be tickled to my core if I get maybe 100, 150. I don't want to think too big, but if it were up to me, I'd have every one of them."

Murphy got her wish. About 200 copies of the sign-up application were made, and Student Government was completely out of forms about 10 minutes before the meeting started.

Members of the marching band filed onto the stage in 7th Street Underground to open the meeting with a rousing performance of the school fight song, which had the audience on its feet, clapping and singing along.

The meeting began with Omar Solomon, senior communications studies major, leading the crowd in cheering, "E-I-E-I-E-I-U!"

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WEATHER TODAY



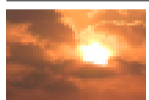
Chance of Thunderstorms

**HIGH 80°** Thunderstorms and showers are possible today as a cold front pushes through the region. Cooler conditions are expected this weekend under mostly cloudy skies on Saturday and partly cloudy skies on Sunday. Cool and dry conditions prevail Monday through Wednesday with highs in the mid to upper 70s.

WEATHER TOMORROW



**Saturday**  
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**Sunday**  
Partly Cloudy  
High: 73°  
Low: 50°

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Panther Nation, first day slideshow



"It's not Blue Crew, it's not the name change Blue Crew, it's a program that is in place and Blue Crew is not. Put stereotypes aside because we want all kinds of people."

Michelle Murphy, student body president

BLOTTER

A private property accident occurred between a green Honda and a silver Toyota at approx. 4:03 pm. Monday, police said.

CORRECTIONS

Wednesday's article and Thursday's editorial about Booth Library's purchase of new computer chairs contained two errors.

The total cost of the chairs was \$20,980. Also, there were 85 chairs purchased for \$246.82 each. The Daily Eastern News was not made aware of these figures until Thursday afternoon.

In Thursday's Student Government story, Eric Wilber was misidentified.

The DEN regrets the errors.

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CAMPUS BRIEFS

Labor Picnic honors union members

The Mideastern Illinois Labor Council is sponsoring a picnic for current and former union members and their families from noon to 4 p.m. Saturday at Fox Ridge State Park.

The free dinner will include roast beef, hot dogs, vegetarian burgers, potato salad, slaw, garden vegetables and fresh-baked doughnuts. Prize drawings and the Willie Pickit Band will be offered.

Guests will include local and area labor leaders, candidates and elected officials.

Looking at Lincoln

Sunday is the last day to see the Tarble Arts Center collection of Abraham Lincoln, exploring his life and times. The collection includes American Scene prints by Charles Turzak and others, and Illinois folk arts. The exhibit will be at 10 a.m. until 4 p.m. and is free

BSU holds first meeting

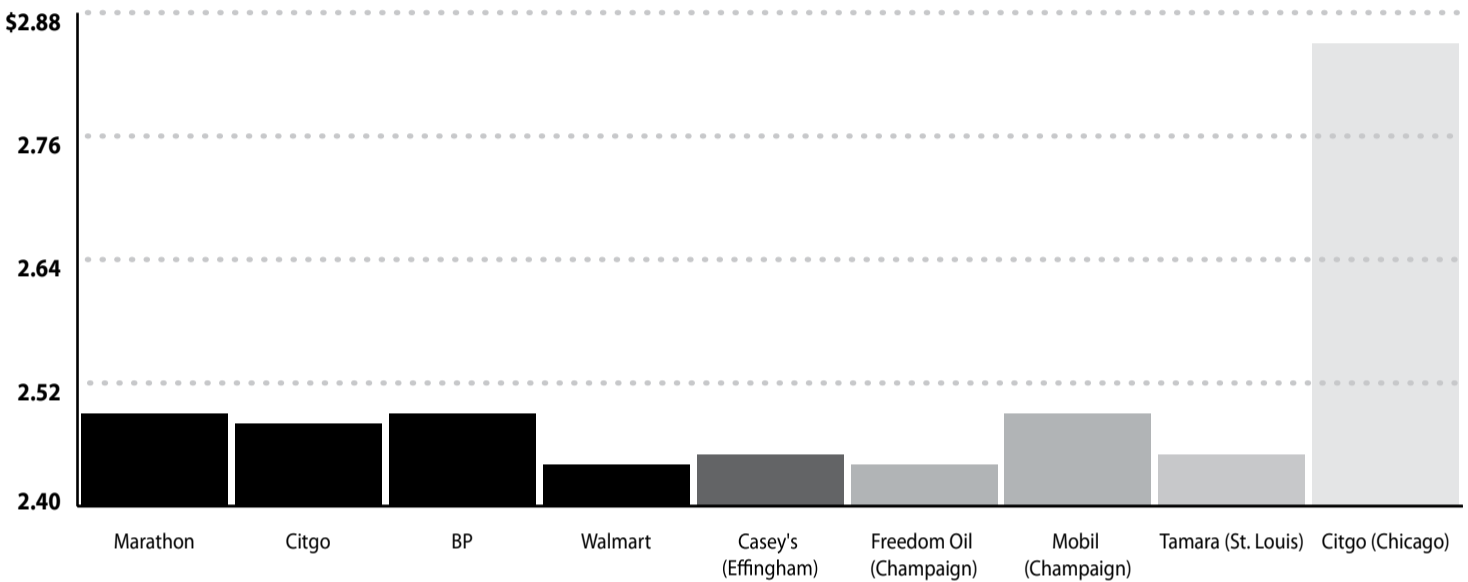
The Black Student Union is holding its first meeting of the year 6 p.m. Monday in the Charleston/Mattoon Room of the Union.

BSU hosts Gospel Explosion Sunday

The Black Student Union is hosting "Gospel Explosion" 5 p.m. Sunday in the Grand Ballroom at the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union. Admission is free.

—Compiled by Associate News Editor Bob Bajek.

GAS PRICES AROUND THE AREA



GRAPH BY CHRIS LEE | THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

AP STORY OF THE DAY

Senators question system of replacing retirees

WASHINGTON — With the death of Edward M. Kennedy, seven seats in the Senate have been opened since the last election or soon will be, the most in any one year in six decades.

Two of the vacancies resulted from the victory of Sens. Barack Obama and Joe Biden in the presidential election.

After that, Obama named two senators to the Cabinet ó former Colorado Sen. Kenneth Salazar to Interior and former New York Sen. Hillary Rodham Clinton to State. Since then, two Republican senators, Mel Martinez of Florida and Kay Bailey Hutchison of Texas, have said they will leave office this fall, before their terms expire.

With the exception of the Kennedy seat, the other six have been or will be filled by people appointed by their state's governors. The changes have not affected the balance of power thus far, because all the vacancies came where the departing senators are from the same party as the governor.

FairVote, a nonpartisan group that promotes greater access to the political process, said that the departures of lawmakers means that four out of the five most populous states ó Illinois, New York, Florida and Texas ó and almost 27 percent of the U.S. population, will be represented by unelected senators.

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UNIVERSITY UNION

## Massage chairs could help students academically

Chairs bring new relaxation to campus

Emily Steele  
Student Government Editor

Shake it up, sit down.

Four new massage chairs were purchased over the summer and are available for stress relief in the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union.

The chairs, two in the Bridge Lounge and two in the 24-hour study lounge, cost approximately \$1,300 each.

The money used to purchase the chairs did not come from student fees, said Health Service Director Lynette Drake.

The new chairs were purchased to replace the two older chairs in the basement.

After years of use, the old chairs were worn down and one no longer functioned.

Drake knew it was time to replace them and suggested the purchase to the totaleIU committee last May.

"We had heard several requests through the union, through orientation, through our office that those chairs were well utilized," Drake said.

The old chairs were not meant for high trafficked areas, but lasted almost six years and were a highlight on Eastern tours.

**"Stress is one of the No. 1 factors that students indicate affects their ability to be successful academically, and also it effects their overall health."**

Lynette Drake,  
Health Services Director

As part of the new totaleIU initiative, a committee of representatives from the Health Education Resource Center, Health Service, the Union, the counseling center and other departments on campus was formed. The committee focuses on promoting overall health, and one major point is preventing stress.

"Stress is one of the No. 1 factors that students indicate affects their ability to be successful academically, and also it affects their overall



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Omar Solomon, a senior communication studies major, studies in one of the new massage chairs in the Bridge Lounge Thursday afternoon.

health," Drake said.

Although still the first week of school, the chairs, which offer pre-programmed Swedish and shiatsu massages, have seen plenty of traffic.

Elizabeth Smith, a junior biology major, was amazed the first time she used the chair after walking through the Union and seeing a friend in one.

"I feel light and transient," Smith said. Smith plans on using the chairs

again soon.

While the chairs may momentarily relieve students of stress, Eric Davidson, associate director of Health Service, warns that students should focus on the source of the stress rather than the symptom of physical knots or tension.

"We all have stress, and if we are not effective at coping at the stress in our lives, what may be stressful in one area of our lives may begin to affect

the others," Davidson said.

To reduce negative stress, he recommends that students get seven to nine hours of sleep each night, exercise regularly and not procrastinate.

The Panasonic brand chairs, endorsed by the American Chiropractic Society, are wiped down by staff every day.

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UNIVERSITY

## The search for Nilsen's replacement is on

Position plays vital role in university finances

By Sarah Ruholl  
Administration Editor

The search to find a replacement for Jill Nilsen, vice president for external relations, began this summer, after she announced her retirement, effective Dec. 31, 2009.

"Dr. Nilsen has been an indefatigable and skilled vice president who has provided exemplary leadership

to our fundraising/development and legislative/community relations initiatives," said Blair Lord, provost and vice president for academic affairs.

Lord is heading the search for her replacement, which began right after she announced her retirement June 24.

The job title will be changed to the "vice president for university advancement" when the new vice president is appointed.

The appointment is expected on Dec. 1, after applicants are reviewed, interviewed and the committee makes recommendations.

"The task of the search committee is to find candidates who will be the



Jill Nilsen retired last year leaving an open spot for vice president for external relations

best fit for the position as described and consistent with the required qualifications," Lord said.

The job description, posted at [www.eiu.edu/vpuasearch/](http://www.eiu.edu/vpuasearch/) describes the function of the position.

"The vice president for universi-

ty advancement reports to the president, serves on the president's council and has leadership, administrative and budgetary responsibilities for an integrated internal and external university advancement program.

This program includes: fundraising, development, alumni relations, communication and marketing, and legislative, community and Board of Trustees relations," as stated on the Web site.

The vice president is also responsible for the supervision, coordination and administration of the Office of University Advancement and serves as the chief liaison officer with the Board of Trustees, the EIU Foun-

ation and the EIU Alumni Association Board of Directors.

"From the description, it is clear that a seasoned fundraising professional is desired," Lord said.

The position plays a key role in the financial well being of the university, a job Nilsen has performed well in during her career at Eastern.

"She provided similarly effective leadership to our public relations, planning and institutional studies, and WEIU broadcasting activities," Lord said. "She will be sorely missed by the entire EIU community."

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## Young minds 'wasted' are just a waste



**Sam Sottosanto**

I am 20 years, eight months and one-day-old and I still have yet to taste a drop of alcohol.

While I can see the bit of amusement in getting drunk or watching your friends get drunk, personally, I don't think I'd ever want to participate in something that involves being out of control of my own body.

Honestly, I don't see what's so appealing about going out every weekend and getting wasted with all of your friends—maybe that's why they called it being wasted?

I mean, don't you want to remember what you did?

I think a little alcohol is all right, for instance, if you decided you wanted to try the new margarita flavor at a local restaurant.

I just don't like the idea of going overboard and I especially don't like the idea of minors going overboard.

Even before I got to college, my peers had been going out drinking.

And although everyone knows underage drinking is bad because it's against the law and you can get in trouble, there is one obvious point we are overlooking when it comes to underage drinking: It affects the brain.

According to an article that appeared on CNN.com, adolescent brains are still developing and are in a 'learning' stage all the way into their early 20s.

Alcohol can damage the learning process in a young brain and can also affect a young person's memory.

And because young brains are still in this 'learning stage,' they are quicker to react to alcohol, meaning they will not feel tired or drowsy for a long time, unlike adult brains.

Since they have this longer period of time without becoming sleepy, it encourages them to drink more, hitting them with what CNN.com calls a "double whammy."

Adult brains, which are, according to the article on CNN.com, "more set in their ways," will get tired quicker, letting them know it's time to quit (alcoholism, of course, being another story).

And as I mentioned before, since young brains are in a 'learning' stage, alcohol can cause a disruption in learning development.

And according to [www.ahealthyme.com](http://www.ahealthyme.com), more often than not, adults with an addiction to alcohol began drinking while in high school or earlier.

I know that schools across the nation have tried to stop underage drinking with programs such as D.A.R.E. and AlcoholEdu.

But I don't think these programs work.

I mean, I don't drink and even I thought AlcoholEdu was pointless. I remember thinking, "Why should I fill this thing out when I know I'm not going to drink?"

Instead, I think parents need to step up.

Whether or not kids want to admit it, parents are our No. 1 influence.

If parents talk to their kids early and often about alcohol and its effects, I believe there would be a decrease in underage drinkers.

I think there would be even more of a decrease if parents quit drinking in front of their kids.

Because whether or not you choose to believe it, underage drinking is a serious problem.

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# THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

"Tell the truth and don't be afraid"

**DAILY EDITORIAL**

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

## Don't be so quick to silence all cell phones in classes

ALERT EIU: Coleman Hall is being consumed by flames; a meteor just struck O'Brien Field; there is a man with a flamethrower in the South Quad and you haven't received even one of these notifications because your professor can't stand the sound of a Kanye West ringtone interrupting his lecture.

It is safe to say that most of, if not all, those scenarios may never come to pass but, outlandish as they may seem, if some professors have their way, students in their classes may never receive a potentially life-saving alert via their cell phones.

This is due in part to the 'statement of principle' released by Blair Lord, provost and vice president for academic affairs, stating, "Each faculty member has the authority to establish the conditions for student cell phone use in his/her classroom."

The statement goes on to insure that while these conditions are up to the discretion of professors, they must still "provide that a university-initiated campus security text message can be received and disseminated to those in the classroom in a timely manner."

However, according to a story that ran in Wednesday's edition of *The Daily Eastern News*, the Faculty Senate agreed with the statement after Lord explained that professors would not be held accountable if there were an emergency and the professor prohibited cell phones usage in his classroom.

This seems like one giant mistake and one big accident waiting to happen.

No one should argue that a classroom is a professor's domain and he should have the right to make sure little to nothing stands in the way of providing higher education.

Though, this statement is not speaking about a professor's right to stop someone from text messaging throughout class but the right to keep students from having their

**"But what if someday lives are saved because that jerk who ignored a professor's directive to turn all phones off?"**

cell phones turned on entirely.

Nobody likes suffering through a class with that jerk who sits in the back and refuses to turn the sound off on their phone. But what if someday lives are saved because that jerk who ignored a professor's directive to turn all phones off?

Absolutely no one wants to see any tragedy affect Eastern's campus and/or student body, but to be ill prepared just to keep a classroom a bit quieter seems irresponsible.

Should the statement become a policy, which it currently is not, how would professors go about choosing whose cell phone would be left on in order to insure a timely dissemination of an emergency message?

What about students who have family members in ill health or even students with children who may need to make themselves available in case their own individual emergency arises?

And, even though Lord assured the faculty they would not be held accountable in the case of an emergency, in any legal or institutional fashion, can anyone really assure they will not be held accountable to their own consciences should any student be placed in harm's way?

We don't mean to plant sinister fears in anyone's mind, but merely play the devil's advocate and voice the concerns that many students may have about this statement's implications.

As students, we are here to learn and professors are here to teach. Nothing should be allowed to stand in the way of that. But safety should be a high priority, and the Alert EIU system is a good one, which should not be jeopardized simply to save a few the annoyance of hearing the occasional cell phone going off.

One day it may be just an annoying sound; the next day it could be the shrill ringing of a warning.

**FROM THE EASEL**



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**BEST COMMENTS FROM THE WEB**

**All Access with Matt Smiley**  
Article posted on 8/26/09

**"Why is this an all access? It's a feature story that doesn't give me "access" to anything except stuff I could find in his EIU bio."**

Shavonne, 8/26/09

**MAP grant's future uncertain**  
Article posted on 8/27/09

**"I don't get a MAP Grant. But I would like to ask why didn't the Legislator find other places to cut? We all know that IL Blows for Graduating College Student (Ranked 45/50th) and it is only making it worse. What a joke our State has become."**

John Poshepny, 8/27/09

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## ENERGY CENTER, from page 1

Although some design work still needs to be finished, McCann said the Renewable

Energy Center and several of the smaller Energy Conservation Measures that are not weather-related would start immediately.

"Each portion of the project will be different, but the design work for each item will be completed in time for the project to stay on schedule," McCann said.

The other Energy Conservation Measures that will start in October will include exterior lighting, water conservation, insulation of steam tunnel condensate lines and some heating work.

"The Renewable Energy Center site work will begin, with the foundation hopefully to follow as soon as we get the approval from the Illinois Environment Protection Agency," McCann said.

The university sent in a permit application in July to IEPA.

The current construction timeline, as provided by Ryan Siegel, energy and sustainability coordinator, slates building shell completion by June 2010, plant commissioning by October 2011.

The plan also includes the decommissioning of the coal plant, which was built around 1925, by October 2012.

"People have to be aware that with a project of this magnitude, there are going to be complications," Siegel said. "We're doing the best we can to mitigate impact to students and faculty."

Any impact, though, would be for

the long-term goal, Siegel said.

McCann said most of the portions of the project that will affect the students would be done during the summer.

"The construction of the Renewable Energy Center will not have a great impact on the students or the surrounding area because it will be done on ground that is currently being used for farming," McCann said.

### Planning history

The center, which will be located off the intersection of 18th Street and Edgar Drive, will supply heat and cooling to the campus by burning plant matter.

Eastern's Board of Trustees approved the project in June after Gov. Pat Quinn signed legislation that allows the development of the center.

The university announced on Nov. 7, 2008 that the Renewable Energy Center, a \$40 million project, would replace the steam plant.

On Nov. 18, 2008, the project was put on hold, citing the economic downturn.

In the original plan, construction on the center was slated for the spring semester, with the center commissioning in fall 2010.

"Certainly all of the delays have pushed the project back, but the two-year time frame for completion of the project is still intact," McCann said.



This story continues on DENnews.com

## PIZZA, from page 1

He said the developer plans to establish a small service on the property that could interest students. He declined to elaborate.

"I don't want to burst their bubble," Inyart said.

City Manager Scott Smith said several national retailers were interested in Charleston after Smith and Inyart attended the International Conference of Shopping Centers in Las Vegas in spring 2008.

He said most retailers have decided not to develop, whether because of real estate costs or the poor economy.

He said retailers that have contact-

ed city officials in the last year told them that further expansion would not happen until 2011 or 2012 at the earliest.

"Several indicated they'd still be interested in Charleston if someone would be interested in investing in the business locally," Smith said.

That investment would include the private commercial sector paying for franchise fees and management staff, he said.

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### CITY

## Zoning problem continues

By Stephen Di Benedetto  
City Editor

The Charleston zoning board unanimously recommended Thursday for a second time that City Council approves a variance petition for a 56-bedroom apartment complex at Fourth Street and Polk Avenue.

The decision, however, came after representatives of petitioners Chad and Hadley Phillips showed that the real estate investment would yield a profit return lower than reasonable, as set by industry standards.

Chad and Hadley Phillips requested a variance that would allow them to build 22 two-bedroom and 12 one-bedroom apartments, which would be marketed toward students, instead of three- and four-bedroom units, which current code permits.

The number of bedrooms, 56, and parking spaces, 75, would be the same regardless of the variance.

"This property cannot yield a reasonable return under the current reg-

ulations," said Chris Rankin, engineering consultant for Chad Phillips.

Rankin said that under Lyfords Asset Management standards, a developer should not consider rental properties a reasonable investment unless the return on investment is 7 percent.

According to Chad and Hadley Phillips' projections, three- and four-bedroom apartments on the Polk property would yield a 5.3 percent return. One- and two-bedroom apartments would yield a 6.89 percent return, which means the Phillips brothers would break even on their investment.

The revelation addressed a major council concern. The council opted Aug. 4 to send the petition back to the zoning board for further review, claiming requirements for variance were not met. One requirement is to show that the property in question cannot yield a reasonable rate of return.

Melissa Phillips, wife of Hadley Phillips, said the variance request

would not alter the viability of surrounding properties and property values — another requirement.

She said noise concerns should not be a problem because students wanting a quieter lifestyle would be drawn to one- and two-bedroom apartments.

No residents in attendance opposed the actual petition, but Annie Cross, a Charleston resident, opposed the idea of building an apartment complex so close to a single-family neighborhood.

She said the board should take into account the future of the community and be mindful of permanent residents in the area.

"Act on a vision of zoning for this community," Cross said.



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Otis Seawood, the special events coordinator for the University Board, told the crowd of the prizes they could win with the points they acquire for attending events, including professional sporting events tickets and apparel signed by alum Tony Romo.

When a member of Panther Nation attends a Panther Athletics event, their membership card is scanned and they receive points.

For Homecoming and opening games, 10 points are awarded and five points are awarded for each game attendance.

"You get rewarded for the more active you are," Murphy said.

Student Government had not yet decided how many points are needed to obtain prizes.

Seawood said he would like to have a raffle with the possibility of prizes such as free dining dollars, and tuition and room and board waivers.

At the end of the meeting, students lined up to finish filling out the application forms and receive their Panther packs and t-shirts.

Panther Nation is the student spirit section for Panther Athletics. This fall, they will be cheering on the Panthers in



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Students immediately flocked to the sign up tables as the meeting came to a close to fill out their Panther Nation applications.

football, volleyball, soccer and rugby.

Students that join Panther Nation will be able to attend tailgating parties, go to away games and win prizes by obtaining points for every game they attend.

Panther Nation is a partnership between Panther Athletics and Student Government, but is not a registered student organization.

Students who were not able to attend the meeting but would like to be a part of Panther Nation can go to the Student Activities Center and sign up in Murphy's office.

A \$20 fee is required to join the group.

Sarah Jean Bresnahan can be reached at dencampusdesk@gmail.com



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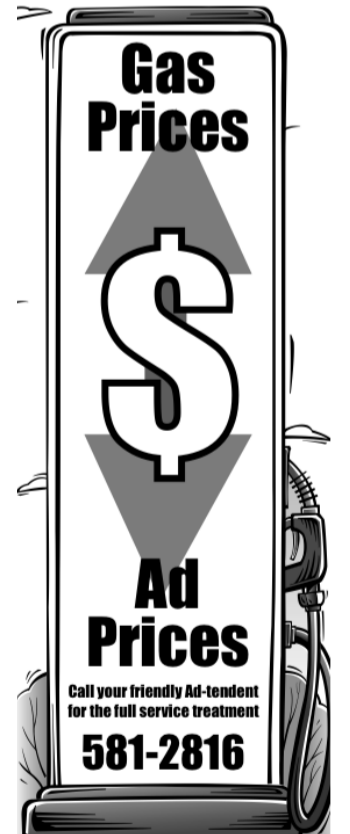
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PANTHER BRIEFS

# Women's soccer plays weekend road matches

Looking to build off the momentum from its season-opening victory against Indiana-Purdue-Indianapolis, the Eastern women's soccer team hits the road this weekend for a pair of matches.

The team's first match is today when they travel to Ypsilanti, Mich., to face Eastern Michigan at 3 p.m.

Sunday, the Panthers head to Cleveland to face the Vikings, capping off their road trip.

The match will be the first meeting between the Panthers and Cleveland State.

**Golfer misses cut**

Eastern sophomore golfer Gino

Parrodi competed at the 109th United States Amateur Golf Championships this week at the Southern Hills Country Club in Tulsa, Okla.

Parrodi missed the cut at the event, shooting a six-over 76 in the first round and following it up with a 10-over 80. Only the top 64 players advanced to the match play portion of

the event.

As a freshman Parrodi earned All-Ohio Valley Conference newcomer honors and was the Panthers' top finisher at the league championships.

**Football 39th in Poll**

The Eastern football team found themselves in the "others receiving

votes" category when The Sports Network released its preseason Top 25 poll for the FCS Wednesday.

The Panthers had 93 total points in the poll, ranking them as the 39th overall team in the nation by the poll.

Eastern was one of six Ohio Valley Conference teams to receive preseason votes in the poll.

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Junior defender Matt Crowley goes to pass the ball during Eastern's match against Butler Tuesday night at Lakeside Field.

The Billikens scored in the 8th and 73rd minutes as Missouri State could only generate 11 shots.

Drake had not finished its exhibition season as of Thursday afternoon with a Thursday night match in Fort

Wayne, Ind. Evansville is also competing against No. 20 Michigan State Thursday in Fort Wayne, Ind.

Dan Cusack can be reached at 581-7944 or at dscusack@eiu.edu.

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Kreke—who has transitioned to third base with the Braves but expects to move to shortstop again in the future—said he regularly exchanges text messages with Nommensen and Kehrer and they are enjoying going through this experience together.

"We're all enjoying a lifestyle that a lot of people don't get to experience," he said. "We keep in contact with each other and root each other on. It's cool that all three of us get to go through that."

Kreke is hitting .276 through 58 games with the Danville team.

He has two home runs and 14 RBIs with an on-base percentage of .364.

Nommensen, who was slowly recovering from a wrist injury through the beginning of the season, is playing in Wappingers Falls, NY, for the Hudson Valley Renegades of the Class A Short-Season New York-Penn League. He struggled early on, but since his wrist has improved so has his hitting.

He's batting .429 over his last 10 games to raise his overall average to .259.

**Other Panthers to watch**

**Erik Huber:** The two time All-Ohio Valley Conference honoree is hitting .290 with the Class A Advanced Lynchburg Wildcats, an affiliate of the Pittsburgh Pirates.

**Kyle Haines:** This former Panther is hitting .222 with Kinston Indians of the High-A Carolina League, an affiliate of the Cleveland Indians.

He also had 13 stolen bases through 51 games.

Meanwhile, Kehrer has been pitching in Orem, Utah, for the Orem Owlz of the Rookie Pioneer League. He's made 11 starts on the season and is 3-2 with a 4.29 ERA.

He has 47 strikeouts and 13 walks in 42 innings pitched and opponents are hitting .265 against him.

Collin Whitchurch can be reached at 581-7944 or at cfwhitchurch@eiu.edu.

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Like the rest of the team, Zwetler is concerned about starting anew and gaining knowledge at the IPFW Tournament to assist during the regular season.

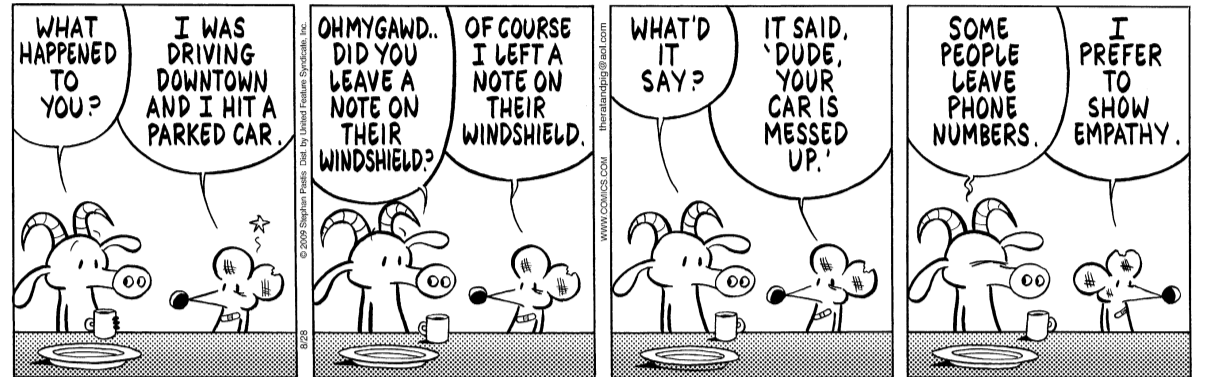
"A fresh start is always a good thing, constant knowledge is being given to us by coach Segal and coach Price," she said.

Eastern rounds out the tournament with a match against Butler at 9:30 a.m. Saturday.

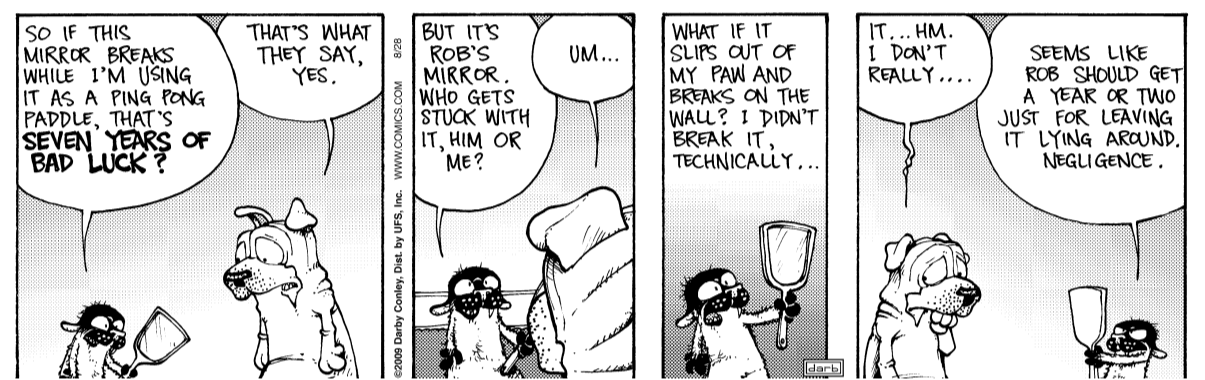
The Panthers close out the tournament against Drake at 2 p.m. Saturday.

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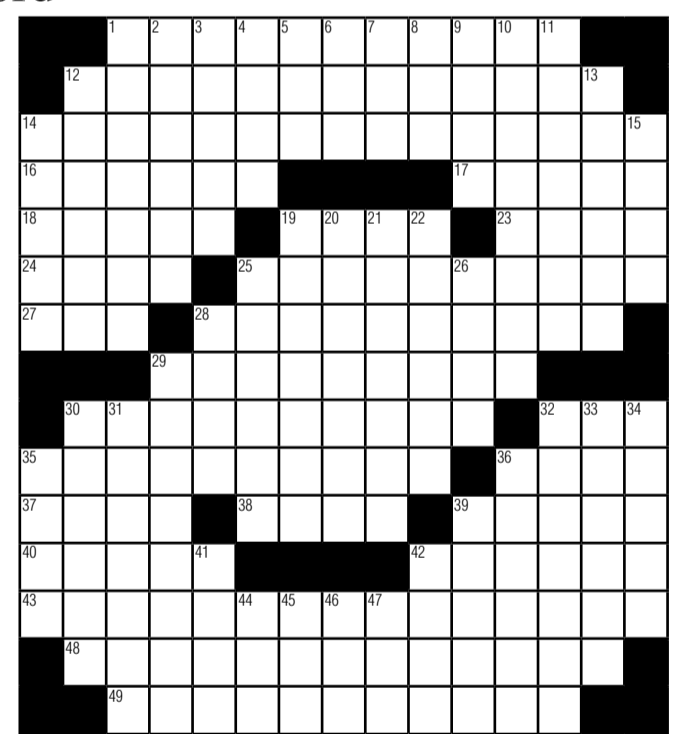


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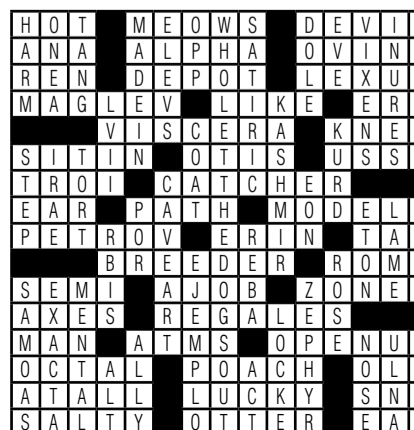
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  - 14 A soldier's gear, for example
  - 16 Bloomer after whom bloomers are named
  - 17 Raison \_\_\_\_
  - 18 Rent to another
  - 19 Toy from China
  - 23 "Young \_\_\_\_ Boone" (short-lived 1970s TV series)
  - 24 You might grind it out
  - 25 Fast hits
  - 27 With 5-Down, snooping aid
  - 28 Discussed at length
  - 29 Musical direction that means "lyrical" in Italian
  - 30 Actor who debuted in "Kung Fu: The Movie"
  - 32 Snooping aid
  - 35 Activities at punk rock concerts
  - 36 "Gotta run!"
  - 37 High bark
  - 38 End \_\_\_\_
  - 39 Foolish, in British slang
- DOWN**
- 1 Whim-wham
  - 2 It might contain a filling
  - 3 Diagonally set spar
  - 4 Bone involved in pronation
  - 5 See 27-Across
  - 6 Move quickly
  - 7 Spike's former name
  - 8 Ring contents, maybe
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  - 11 French painter Courbet
  - 12 Arise



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- 13 Pulitzer-winning historian Frederick Jackson \_\_\_\_
- 14 Outfits
- 15 Fish that can move equally well forward and backward
- 19 Team whose home arena is the Palace of Auburn Hills
- 20 Better
- 21 Company with a tree in its logo
- 22 Fluid dynamics phenomena
- 25 Convertible carriage
- 26 It's assumed
- 28 Bit of assistance
- 29 Local or regional Boy Scout gathering
- 30 Nullifies, as an oath?
- 31 Made a comeback
- 32 Medieval conquerors
- 33 Maximally
- 34 Max of video game fame
- 35 "\_\_\_\_ by Sinatra" (1982 collaborative jazz album)
- 36 Reaganomics recommendation
- 39 One addressed as "lord"
- 41 Parliamentary faction
- 42 1/6 of an inch
- 44 Ad \_\_\_\_ (at the place: Abbr.)
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Blog: This weekend begins the "real" start for fall sports at Eastern

**VOLLEYBALL | IPFW TOURNAMENT**

# Fresh start for Panthers

New coach, newcomers look to turnaround last year's 5-24 mark

By **Kevin Maras**  
Staff Reporter

With last season's 5-24 record in the history books, the Eastern volleyball team looks to start with a fresh slate in 2009.

The Panthers will begin their first tournament of the season this weekend at Indiana-Purdue-Fort Wayne in Fort Wayne, Ind. The Panthers play Kent State at 9:30 a.m. today, and will play the host IPFW Mastadons at 2 p.m. to start off the season.

Though the team had its struggles the past couple of seasons (17-41 in the past two seasons), optimism fills the air as the Panthers have found new direction: first-year head coach Alan Segal and assistant coach Katie Price.

"We have new coaches and great new players," said returning sophomore libero Brittany Wallace. "With all the newcomers, we have extra middles, extra setters, and everyone is battling for a spot."

Losing is not on Eastern's minds as the team is more concerned about starting fresh, winning Ohio Valley Conference matches and working slowly but surely to change the mindset of Eastern volleyball.

Though this is the first tournament of the season, Segal is keeping calm under with a whole new squad.

"You don't change things overnight," Segal said. "You have to learn to play together and learn how to compete. If you don't know how to compete, you don't know how to win matches."

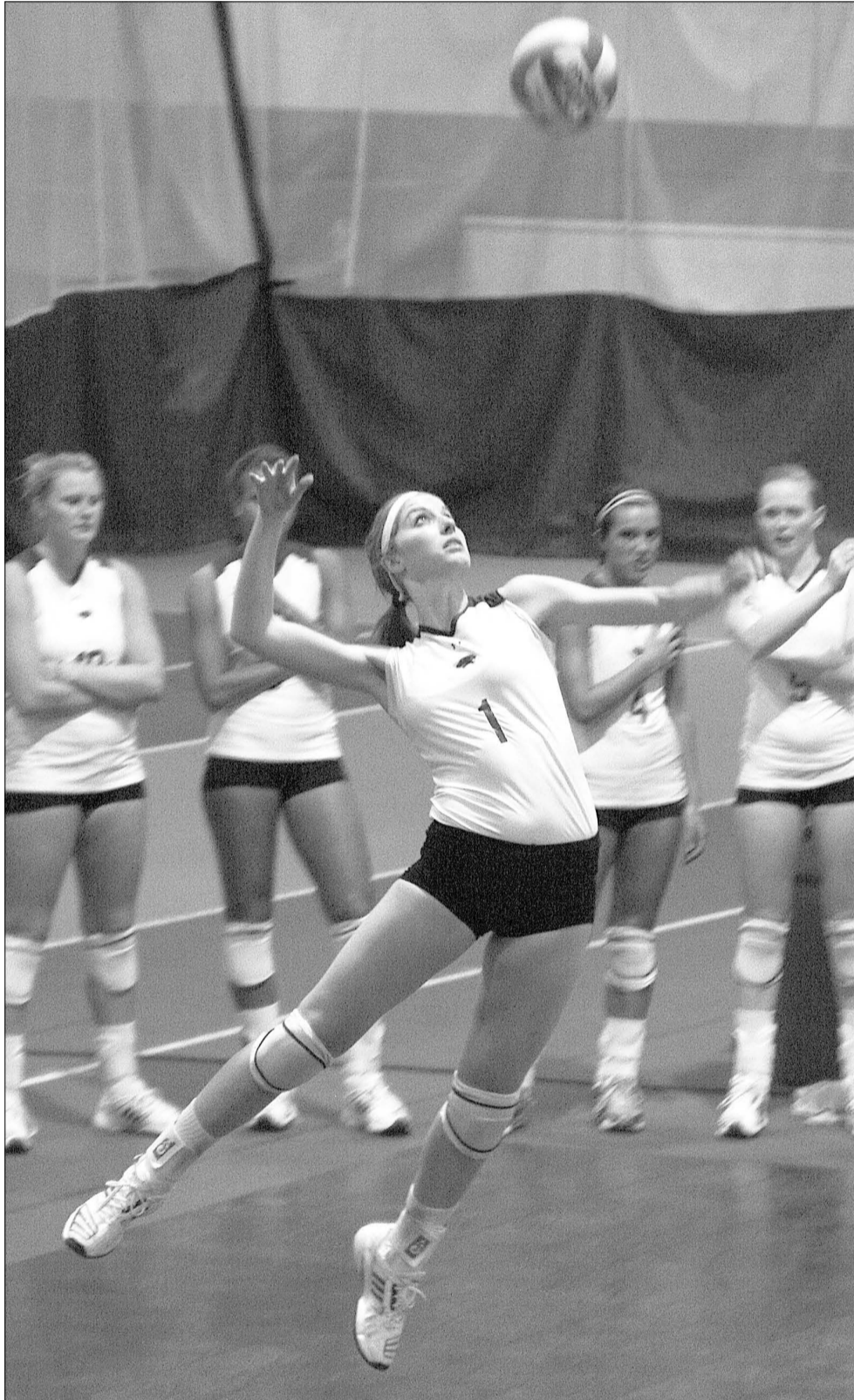
Though the team's starting lineup is not set in stone, Segal has an idea of what he would like the starting lineup to look like.

"I have an idea of eight or nine players who will be starting," Segal said.

The IPFW Invitational will most likely play a factor in decisions for a starting lineup for matches later in the season.

Even with players battling for spots, the team is not worried about starting positions at the IPFW Invitational.

"Once the season gets started, we'll think about it more, but it does keep everyone on their toes," said junior outside hitter Alex Zwetler.



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Freshman middle hitter Alison Berens focuses on hitting the ball while serving it during the alumni match Saturday afternoon in Lantz Fieldhouse.

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**MEN'S SOCCER**

# Team plays well early in season

By **Dan Cusack**  
Associate Sports Editor

The Eastern men's soccer team came into the season with lots of uncertainty with 10 new players joining the roster, but performed well winning both exhibition matches.

Eastern beat St. Xavier (Chicago) 3-2 in Effingham on Aug. 18 and defeated Butler 1-0 Tuesday at Lakeside Field.

Two freshmen contributed to the action as midfielder Kendal Spurgin scored the eventual game-winning goal against the Cougars, while midfielder Jerry Maddi scored the lone goal against Butler.

Spurgin notched his first assist in a Panther uniform, setting up Maddi with a cross from the far right corner.

**Match, overtime and shootout?**

In the exhibition match against Butler, Eastern led 1-0 after two halves of play, but the two teams proceeded to play a 10-minute overtime period and a shootout.

Eastern head coach Adam Howarth said he and Butler head coach Kelly Findley talked about playing the extra time and shootout before the match regardless of the score.

Findley wanted to do a 20-minute overtime period, but Howarth talked him down to 10 minutes.

"It was a fitness thing," Howarth said. "The biggest thing is you have to be fit, and it is not uncommon to do in college soccer during the preseason."

**Around the league**

The rest of the Missouri Valley Conference is in full swing in its exhibition season with three teams coming into today having played two matches.

Bradley split its exhibition season, beating Western Illinois 1-0 and falling 1-0 to Louisville—No. 25 in the nation according to the National Soccer Coaches Association of America.

Creighton also split its preseason schedule, but it had some lofty competition.

The Bluejays defeated the Red Fury Latin All-Stars 7-0 Aug. 22, at home, and played an impressive match against Major League Soccer's Kansas City Wizards, losing 4-2 at Swope Park on Aug. 24.

Creighton took the lead midway through the first half with the first of sophomore midfielder Ethan Findley's two goals.

The Wizards responded with two goals to take a 2-1 halftime lead.

Findley scored again early in the second, but Kansas City scored two straight goals to win.

"We wanted to have a preseason with a match where we'd have a lot of possession and a match where we'd be under attack," said head coach Bob Warming following the exhibition with the MLS team in a press release on Creighton's athletic Web site. "I think we got out of today what we needed to get out of it."

Missouri State beat Missouri University S&T 1-0 Aug. 18 at home, but could not take down No. 21 St. Louis at the STL Aug. 22.

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**BASEBALL**

# Three alumni transition to minors

By **Collin Whitchurch**  
Sports Editor

Jordan Kreke is living his dream and is loving every second of it.

The former Eastern shortstop—drafted in the 13th round (388th overall) by the Atlanta Braves in the Major League Baseball First-Year Player Draft back in June—is currently working his way through the Braves organization, playing for the

Danville Braves in Danville, Va. For Kreke, the transition from college athlete to professional baseball player has been strange, but he's enjoying the process.

"It's awesome. I love it," said Kreke, who was named the Ohio Valley Conference Player of the Year last season. "Every game we have fans out there waiting for autographs, we get our own baseball cards and stuff like that. It's fun."

Kreke is one of three members

of last season's OVC regular season champion team with a Major League organization.

Left-hander Tyler Kehrer was drafted 48th overall by the Los Angeles Angels of Anaheim, and center fielder Brett Nommensen was picked in the eighth round (259th overall) by the defending American League Champion Tampa Bay Rays.

Eastern head coach Jim Schmitz coached all three players during

their Panther careers.

He said he has spoken to them at different times throughout the summer and gets pretty much the same sentiment.

"They're all really enjoying it," Schmitz said. "They all have just said all the new things they've learned and they talk about how they're dealing with it day after day."

**EASTERN SPORTS SCHEDULES**

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**Volleyball**  
Today vs. IPFW |  
2 p.m.—Fort Wayne, Ind.

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Today at Eastern Michigan |  
3 p.m.—Ypsilanti, Mich.

**Volleyball**  
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# 'WE BLEED BLUE'

Barry Houser, director of athletic bands, looks at the drill sheet for the band's new formation from atop his scaffolding at practice Wednesday, Aug. 26.

ALYCIA ROCKEY | ON THE VERGE

## Marching band grows under director's second year

By Krystal Moya  
Verge Editor

The marching band members' voices echo over Eastern's tundra in militaristic cacophony. "E-I-U!" and the band marches forward in steps valued eight to five. They move mechanically, "PANTHERS!" seeking unison, a complete absence of individuality.

They move in time to a droning metronome stepping in counts of 16. But despite the armies of clarinets, tubas and drums, there is something fun in the air. It is visible in their t-shirts and tank tops, the smiles on their faces and in every "FIGHT!" shouted in step changes.

After 82 years as a traditional institution at Eastern, these students still carry the spirit. They have spirit, yes they do. But, why?

### Their Fearless Leader

Many of the band members believe their leader, who catalyses the entire band to eat, think and breathe Eastern. Barry Houser, associate director of bands and athletic bands director, is responsible for the shift.

In one year's worth of work, Houser has increased the

number of members in the marching band from 82 to 120. He said this is the product of strong marketing and intense recruiting.

"It is also the product of heavy enthusiasm," he said with a smile spreading across his face. "If you are positive and spirited throughout any of these processes—marketing, recruitment, garnering support, whatever they may be—and do it with a smile, you will usually yield better results. It's just contagious."

Houser looks at the program as a business, asking himself how he can make his client—a student going to a game or an incoming student musician—happy.

"We represent the pride and integrity of the university," he said. "Even though I did not graduate a Panther, I completely dedicate myself to this school. I bleed blue because I love this program."

Part of the recruiting process is allowing all musicians to apply for the bands and ensembles. Keeping it open and free are the keys to dedicated musicians and growing the bands, he said. The ability to play in the athletic band and other ensembles without taking a single music class in college is a rarity at state universities.

However, Houser believes it is the overall enthusiasm of his band members, the students involved, who have captivated the newest recruits. He commends his three drum majors this year for retaining the members recruited this summer and showing continuous Eastern pride throughout the process.

Drum major Libby Brauer insists it was Houser's pushing for fun, perfection and pride that made her last year the best she has had in band. She describes his incessant rallying for Eastern pride as a goal that kept her in the program. The other two drum majors, Don Fisher and Phil Maro, nod in agreement.

"He gives us his whole heart and in return we lead the band

with his enthusiasm," Brauer said. "We lead more than the band, we lead the crowd. We are in charge of the spirit and Houser has entrusted it to us."

### Money Can't Buy You Spirit

Despite what Houser calls "rocketing growth" and being one of the largest athletic bands in the Ohio Valley Conference, Eastern's athletic bands receive some of the lowest portions of funding.

"Because we are surviving, I don't think there is an acknowledgement that we could be better if we had more funding," Houser said. "However, the current state of the market does not allow for people to feel comfortable donating to any school funding. Unfortunately, everything needs funding."

Houser said the directors in the music department have not yet made fiscal plans to accommodate for next year's projected growth. The uncertainty of the economy makes the possibility of funding increases seem distant.

"Right now there is no plan to purchase instruments to accommodate for the growth," he said. "There is no plan to purchase uniforms either, which is a whole other story. Our uniforms are 17 years old with a life expectancy of 10 maximum, and that's pushing it."

Moreover, Houser and his students are faced with waning athletic support from students and the community. Students are not taking advantage of the experience of sporting events, of the everlasting bond school spirit holds, and are just not showing up to the games,

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Barry Houser smiles at the flutes as they march past him in unison during Marching Band practice Wednesday.

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Houser said. "Unfortunately, the general tone (of school spirit) is that of a second-class institution," he said. "It is like a community college. Kids go home on the weekends, watch games on TV."

Maro explained that the students and community members who attend sporting events rely on the band to increase the excitement of the game.

Houser agreed, "We play the fight song. We sing the fight song. Where else do you hear the fight song? We are the keepers of spirit."

Feeding off the energy, Fisher jumps in and explains how the band serves as metaphoric cheerleaders, feeding the crowd energy.

But, instead of pompoms and acrobatics, the marching band has music, art.

But yet another looming issue dangles overhead. Bauer, Fisher and Maro, who are all music education majors, face an uncertain future. Statistics in music education show drastically low occupational openings and performers are often underpaid and just as hard to get a coveted position. In addition, competition continues to increase as the job pool drains.

The feeling is there—the perpetual, "What if?" It is a very persuasive tool to transform these perpetual optimists into pessimists. But, the drum majors have Houser in their corner, and never unmask their doubt.

"I know I will get a job as a band director because I have

learned to work hard, and I commit myself to the band," Bauer said.

"I have a feeling that the job climate is better than it looks," Houser said. "The Baby Boomers will be retiring as soon as the economy bounces back and tons of jobs will open up."

Although fiscal issues and attendance are a large concern for an administrator, Houser never loses his smile. Instead, he cheers on his drum majors and band from the bright, blue scaffolding decorated in a Panther banner, his spirit echoing across the tundra.

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# VAUGHT PLANS VISION FOR DOUDNA PROGRAMMING

By **Krystal Moya**  
Verge Editor

The Doudna Fine Arts Center's copper and iron structure looms on campus as students pass by and walk through shuffling to class. Students lounge on the concrete steps consuming the last bits of summer through photosynthesis, soaking it in.

Other than the award-winning architecture, visible art seems to be sitting patiently on a shelf. To a novice, the unique building seems relatively unused, an expensive aesthetic roadblock on the way to the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union.

However, the veteran explores and finds art tucked in black box studios, whitewashed classrooms and through winding hallways leading to recital halls. Possibilities illuminate themselves, and Dwight Vaught believes they are endless.

Vaught, the new College of Arts and Humanities assistant dean and Doudna program director, said he has inherited "an absolute jewel" after Michael Watts' resignation. Vaught started his new role on Aug. 1.

The self-proclaimed music man had engrossed himself in art planning administration after working with non-profit local art groups planning events and exhibits. But, he confesses that Doudna is beyond anything he could have hoped for in his career.

As with his previous work, Vaught wants to capitalize on his jewel using Doudna's assets to reach community members in every form.

"We want people to associate Doudna as a regional space – not just something on Eastern's campus or in Charleston or in Coles County, but also something that stands on its own."

It is through entertainment Vaught hopes to accomplish this goal.

This semester, he and his team have already scheduled the Ahn Trio, a SonyBMG signed piano trio that "redefines the art and architecture of chamber music," on Sept. 18; and Chamber Orchestra Kremlin, a renowned Russian symphony orchestra, on Oct. 18. Both headliners bring a unique blend of tradition, culture and renaissance to their art, Vaught said.

The use of international acts incorporates the use of both an educational aspect and strong entertainment value.

"With all of our artists we think, 'What is the educational value of this?'" he said. "The question we ask is 'what else can you do for us?'"

"These acts are supposed to be



DWIGHT VAUGHT

fun, but I want to look beyond that into what they can bring to Eastern's campus other than performances or exhibitions. Can the artist teach a graduate class while they are here? Can they perform a question-answer session with students?"

Ultimately, he explains, the point of booking someone in the fine arts building is that "one someone sees it, watches the actor, listens to a musician, I want them to walk away inspired."

"They have to say, 'I learned something today,'" he added. "Performances come a dime a dozen."

In addition to "masters of fine arts," Vaught said he would like to expand his programming to integrate other disciplines and open Doudna to the entire campus. Examples of history-telling art exhibits and cultural dance performances involve not only art students but history or anthropology as well, he said.

"There is a need to involve the students in as much content as possible," Vaught said. "Currently, there is no student consortium on the programming, but it is a necessity."

The Doudna programming board also plans to coordinate with University Board and other organizations to utilize the space. In addition, Doudna has bookings for conferences and wedding receptions in the mix.

"My goal is to see every area of Doudna having simultaneous events going on for a weekend," Vaught said. "People would be able to feel that power and tap into that."

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## EDITOR'S NOTE

### 'ON THE VERGE' OF SOMETHING NEW

Tradition and history—these are terms usually far from arts and entertainment publications. However, they have been a part of the Verge since its installation as a Friday supplement in *The Daily Eastern News*. Originally, the *Verge* began as "On the Verge of the Weekend," a publication about what students could do over the weekend. It was an exploration of what the school and community offers, stretching past the square to surrounding towns and more. Issues were themed in order to pull these activities together and draw in readers. We will be returning to these traditions, but with new flare. Online is growing and the Around Town calendar will grace the virtual page. Video blogs, entertainment reviews, top-10 lists and more will become regular staples on dennews.com. This is motivation behind the fall semester's *Verge*.

#### About the Issue

"Re-Exploration" encompasses the ideology of rediscovering the arts, culture and entertainment that our community and our campus have already presented us. Diving back into the Doudna Fine Arts Center, revealing the inner spirit of the marching band and revisiting the Summer of '69 Charleston style are all new explorations of old favorites. We bring tradition and history to the present while breathing fresh Verge fervor back into its bones.



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# WOODCHUCK LOOSE IN CHARLESTON

## LOCAL BAND RENEWS FESTIVAL OF MUSIC, LOVE

By Brad York  
Assistant Verge Editor

Local bands rev up their enthusiasm for the possibilities the new school year brings, and Matt Schumake, member of Andy Van Slyke, sees no better way than kicking it off with a music festival.

"The Woodchuck Festival is all about the music," said Schumake, co-founder of the festival. "It's about getting people together. It's about boosting the music scene in Charleston."

The festival will begin at 6 p.m. Friday and run through Sunday afternoon. Tickets are \$10 for a day pass and \$15 for weekend admission.

There is also a \$5 parking fee, which can be avoided if the free shuttle is taken.

The shuttle bus will run throughout the festival's entirety and will meet at Campus Liquor and the corner of 6th Street and Monroe, in the square. Parking space is limited.

The event takes place on grounds a quarter of a mile south of town on University Avenue. Signs will mark directions from the intersection of Fourth Street and University Avenue. It is off the first road on the left.

This is only the second installment of the festival, but it has come a long way in less than a year.



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Kat Louise S. (Kat Slawson) of the band Andy Van Slyke laughs as Tyler Bixby, guitar, and Luke DeYoung, guitar, joke around at a practice session at the Paper Café in Charleston Monday night in preparation for their performance at Woodchuck Friday at 6 p.m. DeYoung is a co-founder of the festival as well as bassist Matt Schumake.

All contributors are hoping this fall will be much bigger than last semester's festival.

"Last year we put together the festival in less than a week," Scott Clements, co-founder of the Woodchuck Festival said. "We had about 300 people show up. This year, we are reinstating the festival as a benefit. The proceeds will be going to three different charities that are lo-

cal and global."

The charities Clements speaks of are the local chapter of HOPE Women's Shelter, which aids victims of domestic violence; St. Vincent DePaul, which helps out families that are suffering dramatically from the economy; and Youth With a Vision, which helps children that are suffering in Denninton, South Africa.

"This summer I went on a study abroad trip to South Africa," Clements said. "While we were there we did some social work. It touched me, and now I want to help out more. If we could have an annual event that could help support local charities and promote the live music scene in Charleston, I don't see any better way of doing it other than a music festival to help sup-

port the arts."

The event will be sponsored by Lincoln Garden and Finishing Touch Ink which are both located on Lincoln Avenue, Sugar Mountain Farm located on 18th Street, Mad Hatters on Fourth Street, H&H Shuttle and Taxi Services Inc. on Old State Rd., and Indio Cigar Shop located on 7th Street in the square.

Despite heavy sponsorship, most of the finances have come out of pocket from the co-founders of the event.

There are more than 25 bands performing over the weekend including Little Boy Jr., Mugwump Specific, Staff Blues Band and Mitch Davis. The festival founders have also brought in performers from surrounding towns and big cities such as Chicago and St. Louis. There are a wide variety of performers from many genres including jam bands, rock, folk, electronica and hip-hop.

In addition to the live music, there will be a bags tournament and a frisbee golf tournament. Patrons can bring their own beverages, alcohol included, but no glass is allowed on the grounds.

This is an all-ages event. Identification must be presented with use of alcohol.

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CODY RICH | ON THE VERGE

Tyler Bixby, guitar, and Bryant Fritz, drums, of the band Andy Van Slyke, play their instruments in their practice session Monday night at the Paper Café in Charleston.

## REVIEW

# 'ANDY' BRINGS THE FUN

By Brad York  
Assistant Verge Editor

The Paper Café's soft lighting and tan walls set the mood as I patiently waited on a 1970s floral-patterned loveseat for the band Andy Van Slyke. The walls were filled with authentic hippie paintings of peaceful purples and blues. Calming, yet appropriate, the building sets the tone as the band casually arrives one by one.

Andy Van Slyke consists of bassist Matt Schumake, a senior English major, vocalist Ryan Lane, 23, of Charleston, Tyler Bixby, 26, of Charleston, Luke DeYoung, 21, of Charleston, drummer Bryant Fritz, a senior biology education major, and vocalist Kat Slawson, a sophomore music performance major.

The band will perform at 10 p.m. Friday at the Woodchuck Festival. With vocals similar to Hot Hot Heat and musical stylings sim-

ilar to the Strokes or Rilo Kiley Andy Van Slyke is unlike any other band in Charleston.

"We don't want to knock any of the other bands in Charleston," Schumake said. "They are trying to do exactly what we are doing. Most of them are our friends. A lot of bands sound great and we really just adore, but we don't want to sound like them. We want to be different and just make good, pleasing music to the ears. A lot of bands will say they are trying to make music that no one has ever heard before. I mean you can try, but you will always draw from your influences."

From the soothing soulful and melodic voice of Slawson to the raw vocals of Lane this band carries a wide array of emotions with them to the stage.

The wood-paneled floors began to quake and the plastered walls started to shake as the band ripped through a set of foot tapping dance

driven guitars, and chaotic yet rhythmic beats to relaxing choruses and Sinatra covers intermingled. Andy Van Slyke seems carefree to the fact that this was only practice and played each song with the intensity and heart as though it were their last performance ever.

With a smile a mile wide I watched Lane stumble and stagger while belting angst driven vocals until finally spinning and tripping over an amplifier at the conclusion of the set, which eventually ended with a broken microphone. Fun is the only word running through my mind the entire night.

"With most of the music going on now, it's one thing or the other," Lane said. "It's either droning s--- or aggressive. A lot of stuff isn't that hip. We just like to play fun music."

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