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Illinois budget woes still affecting Eastern

By Amy Wywialowski
Staff Reporter

With the constant talk of the state's budgetary issues and debt, Eastern is receiving some good news.

The university has now received about 42 percent of the \$47.4 million of the appropriations owed from the state.

University treasurer Paul McCann said this increase is typical for the time of year.

"They've been doing better with the payments, but we expected this. The state is just now getting holiday sales tax money as well as money from the new income tax," McCann said.

What this means is the university can officially make it through the semester, McCann said. However he said the university will probably not get all of this fiscal year's appropriations until possibly late November.

"That may seem late, but we use state money before tuition and file accordingly so we will actually be ahead of many other institutions," he said. "What they've told us is when they get the money they will pay us."

The state has also currently paid fall 2010 Map Grants, but has made no indication of when it will pay spring

Money

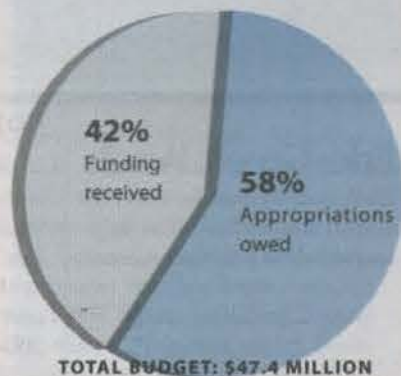


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Eastern has received 42 percent of the \$47.4 million from the state. The university should receive the rest of the appropriations by late November.

2011.

MAP grants are not the only aid taking a hit. The Illinois Student Assistance Commission recently informed the university that it will no longer aid in veterans' tuition payments, a cost Eastern is required by law to take on. Prior to this announcement the state paid half of the money for this expense

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CAMPUS



Dean Allen Lanham (left) watches as a Charleston firefighter enters the Booth Library Wednesday during a fire alarm.

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Alarm malfunctions at library

Students did not take alarm seriously

By Elizabeth Edwards & Nike Ogunbodede
City Editor & Student Government Editor

Booth Library experienced a malfunction of its fire alarm Wednesday morning forcing students and faculty inside to relocate outside.

Allen Lanham, the dean of library sciences, said the library staff made sure all students and faculty exited the building promptly.

He said the fire alarm went off because of a malfunction of the alarm.

"We followed the procedures," Lanham said.

The only exception to the procedure was they did not make students move further away from the building, Lanham said.

"If there was evidence of a fire, we

would have made the students move farther back," Lanham said.

Amanda Hermann, a sophomore sociology major, said nobody got up when the fire alarm went off at about 10 a.m.

"I was on Facebook when someone came in and told us it was not a drill," Hermann said.

Natalie Masciopinto, a senior family and consumer sciences major, thought the library was testing its alarm system and said she regrets not taking the evacuation serious, even though it was a malfunction.

"I probably should have reacted a little better but I didn't see or smell smoke," Masciopinto said. "I didn't think I was in danger."

Matt Bower is a fireman and paramedic with the Charleston Fire Department and has been with the fire department since 2000.

"It was just a malfunction," Bower said. "We were actually doing some ladder training in the area and it took about three minutes to get here."

Tori Nolfi, a junior family and consumer sciences major, was working on homework in the library when the fire alarm went off.

"I thought it was a joke," Nolfi said.

Jacob Uhumwangho, a freshman kinesiology major, was trying to work on a speech outline in the computer lab when the malfunction occurred.

"Everyone stayed in the computer labs as long as possible," Uhumwangho said.

Sandra Nees, the LAN administrator for the library, gives regular workshops and is in charge of managing the Library Technology Services' computer lab.

"We were doing a workshop on Microsoft Access," Nees said. "Luckily most of the workshop was over."

Students, faculty and staff were allowed back inside at 10:30 a.m.

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HISTORY CLUB

Members plan to escape slavery in simulation

By Rachel Rodgers
Campus Editor

Members of the Eastern History Club plan to travel to Fishers, Ind. Friday to participate in an interactive event that simulates escaping slavery in the 1830s.

"Follow the North Star" is a nationally acclaimed program offered by the Conner Prairie Interactive History Park where participants will take on the role of a fugitive slave traveling through the Underground Railroad to freedom.

Samantha Sauer, a senior history major and the president of the History Club, said they have been discussing the trip since November and 11 members of the History Club plan to participate in the event.

"This is our biggest event of the spring and members will be able to take a walk in the shoes of African Americans in the 1830s who would be fighting for freedom on the Underground Railroad," Sauer said. "This will give them a chance to actually experience what we learn in class and what we have read in books."

Sauer said the History Club participated in the "Follow the North Star" program two years ago and she thought it would be good to do again and bond as a group.

Hilary Graves, a junior psychology major and member of the History Club, said she thinks it will be inter-

esting to be put in a completely different mindset.

"None of us have been put in that kind of situation before and I think I will have more of an open mind after we do it," Graves said. "I am looking forward to gaining more knowledge on something that I have never been exposed to."

The "Follow the North Star" program started in 1998 and, since then 55,000 people have participated in the event.

Anthony Ernst, a junior pre-engineering major and member of the History Club, said instead of just talking about history, they will have the opportunity to try and experience a piece of history.

"The trip will give us the chance to acquire some insight into how slaves were treated throughout our nation's history," Ernst said. "A lot of the time history is presented in a dispassionate and scholarly manner so this will definitely be a unique experience."

Sauer said the people who run the "Follow the North Star" program are very dedicated to their work to provide a realistic experience.

"The experience is very dramatic and draining," Sauer said. "Two years ago, we were shouted at with hurtful and abrasive language while performing tasks like picking up firewood and we could hear dogs barking and a gun going off in the background."

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STATE

Outcomes-based funding bill passes

By Shelley Holmgren
Administration Editor

After only two months since the legislation was introduced, the Illinois House of Representatives passed the bill for outcomes-based funding unanimously on Tuesday. The bill will now advance to the Illinois Senate for further consideration.

Rep. Chapin Rose filed House Bill 1503 on Feb. 14, aiming to reform state funding for Illinois colleges and universities by appropriating state monies based on how the school performs at certain criteria, including retention rates, graduation and academics.

Now that his version of the bill has passed through the House, Rose feels a small sense of relief.

"No doubt, I'm relieved," Rose said. "My top three bills are all mov-

ing to the Senate. It's a good feeling. I get an even bigger sense of relief that the bill passed unanimously (in the House)."

In evaluating schools for outcomes-based funding, the IBHE and universities will come together to agree on the terms, Rose said.

"Some schools will be based on rankings, some will be based on retention. The nice thing about this is it's not a one-size fits all," Rose said.

To specify, only four to five percent of a universities' appropriated funds would be outcomes-based.

"It's just enough to gently push things in the right direction, but still have a strong basis for support," Rose said. "However, this would ultimately be a decision that would be made by the IBHE."

President Bill Perry has been a supporter of this method since last year. In

August, Perry wrote a letter to the Finance Study Commission highlighting his main reasons for pushing this effort.



In his letter, Perry notes Eastern only received \$4,566 per full-time student in 2008, based on university figures. This is the lowest of state funding among the six four-year public master's institutions in Illinois. However, Eastern had the highest student retention rate and the second highest graduate rate among the six institutions that same year.

Perry also testified on behalf of outcomes-based funding in front of the Senate Appropriations II Committee on March 9.

Both Rose and Chicago Democrat Sen. Edward Maloney, who has introduced similar legislation, will continue to push their individual bills in hopes one will ultimately be signed into law

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EIU weather

TODAY	THURSDAY
	
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what's on tap

THURSDAY	FRIDAY	MONDAY
<p>4:30 p.m. '70s themed dining Stevenson Grill is hosting a '70s themed meal by reservation only. Students are encouraged to dress for the theme.</p> <p>5 p.m. Free movie night As part of Asian Heritage Month, a movie will be shown in the Coleman Auditorium. The event is free and open to all students and staff.</p>	<p>12:30 p.m. Sciencefest The College of Sciences invites students to attend its annual Sciencefest Celebration in the University Ballroom of the MLK Jr. Union.</p> <p>7 p.m. "Bridging the past" reception The 2011 Historical Administration graduate students will open their exhibit "Bridging the Past: Paul Sargent's Coles County with a reception. The reception will take place in the Tarble Arts Center.</p>	<p>6 p.m. Sex Positive Fair The Doug Dibianco Sex Positive Fair is being put together by PRIDE and will take place in the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union.</p> <p><i>If you want to add to the tap, please email dennewsdesk@gmail.com or call 581-7942.</i></p>

ONLINE



Blog: Fly a kite
Online Editor Julia Carlucci wants to go fly a kite but with wet weather in the forecast she'll take her kite activities indoors. Read about it in the latest blog at DENnews.com.

Soundslide: Greek Week
It's Greek Week and Wednesday was Fun Games at Campus Pond. See what happened in the soundslide at DENnews.com.

CORRECTION

In Wednesday's edition of *The Daily Eastern News*, the national rankings of red-shirt freshman Mick Viken and red-shirt junior Zye Boey were misprinted. Viken is second in the men's pole vault, while Boey is second in the 100-meter dash and fourth in the 200-meter.
The DEN regrets this error.

Flash Fett



DANNY DAMIANI | THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS
Ryan Graff, a senior history major with teacher certification, dances as Boba Fett during a Greek Week flash mob in the South Quad Wednesday.

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EIU History Lesson

- April 7*
- 2005** Election precincts 16 and 17 were the only precincts dominated by Eastern students in Charleston, and precinct 16 produced the smallest percentage of voters, said Betty Coffrin, Coles County Clerk. A total of 19 voters turned out in precinct 16, and 35 votes were counted from precinct 17.
 - 1988** Eastern's concert choir was selected to perform in New York along with other choirs from around the nation. The choir will be accompanied by the Manhattan Philharmonic Symphony Orchestra and sang in a mass choir.
 - 1975** Eastern student Cindy Juras filed charges with the States Attorney's Office alleging that student Brian Johnson made harassing phone calls to her. Juras filed the charges after putting a tracer on her phone line.

STUDENT GOVERNMENT

Candidates value academics

By Nike Ogunbodede
 Student Government Editor

Christy Anderson, a senior communication sciences and disorders major, is the current student executive vice president—a position that currently has two Student Senate members.

Anderson has been the student executive vice president for one semester after a special election took place at the beginning of the spring semester.

As the student executive vice president, Anderson said she actually holds two position—chairwoman of the Student Action Team and Student Trustee.

“As the chair of Student Action Team, I work with a number of others to educate students on political and social issues facing our state, keep in touch with our

local representatives, attend IBHE-SAC meetings with student leaders from other campuses, and organize student lobbying efforts,” Anderson said.

This year, Anderson invited different executives and legislators to “Legislative Luncheon” to introduce student leaders to the administration and local legislators.

As the Student Trustee, Anderson is also in charge of representing students on the Board of Trustees.

“This job entails staying up-to-date on matters concerning the Board of Trustees, attending (the board) meetings, sitting on the academic and student affairs committee, and voicing student opinion to other members of the board,” Anderson said.

Christy said her most basic duties include attending weekly senate meetings to report on her accomplishments, meet-

ing with the other student government executives bi-weekly, and having occasional meetings with President Bill Perry, Dan Nadler, the student vice president for student affairs, and Ceci Brinker, the student government adviser.

“I have enjoyed my time as executive vice president and I am honored to represent the students of EIU,” she said.

Petitions for the fall 2011 student government executive branch are currently available in the Student Activity Center as well as online and will be due April 7.

Every member of the executive branch gets a 12 credit hour tuition waiver, but they do have to pay their student fees.

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Brad Saribekian
 Year: junior | Major: accounting | Party: LEAD
 Hometown: Joliet
 Time on Student Senate: 4 semesters
 Current position on senate: Student Action Team member

The student executive vice president is supposed to bridge the gap between the administration and the students.

Promise to students: As a party we don't have a lot of platforms, I would prefer the system where you are actually listening to what the student body wants.

Project goals: Over the summer the Student Trustee gets together with the other trustees to discuss issues so getting to know them during that time is important.

Defining moment on senate: when I went to Springfield—it was to lobby for the new steam plant.



Jarrod Scherle
 Year: senior | Major: finance | Party: PULSE
 Hometown: Red Bud
 Time on Student Senate: 7 semesters
 Current position on senate: Student Senate Speaker
 The student executive vice president is: the position that has always

been interested in me. As a business major, I feel like it is a better fit for me.

Promise to students: I promise to make student government relevant again. It's important that we become the voices of the student body.

First goal if elected: I want to fix the inner workings of student government and help us rebuild the relationship with the student body but before we can do that we have to be more cohesive.

Defining moment on senate: The Douglas versus Douglass debate, I took a stand at a time when everyone was saying lets dot this; even the Faculty Senate.

Biggest regret: I should have been tighter on checking that each commit-

Biggest regret: I don't believe in regrets

First goal if elected: to talk to the administration and see what is feasible.

Best candidate because: I've worked with the student executive vice president since my freshman year. I know the ins and outs; I just need the student body to give me a chance.

Student Action Team: will need to be started.

Favorite semester on senate: my first one.

Senate motto: Never stop learning.

One word to describe opponent, Jarrod Scherle: friendly.

tee was working on things they would be able to follow through with.

Best candidate because: I have been on senate for seven semesters, that is something that no one on campus—with the exception of Tyson Holder—can say.

Student Action Team: One of my strongest skills is my recruitment capability. I would easily be able to get the right people on the Student Action Team.

Favorite semester on senate: this one - my seventh.

Senate motto: Do your best, that's all anyone can ask of you!

One word to describe opponent, Brad Saribekian: determined.

MUSIC

Travis Porter not coming to Eastern

By Seth Schroeder
 Activities Editor

Unsatisfied with the artists scheduled for Eastern's spring concert, an Eastern student and the new the registered student organization Minority Entertainment tried to bring hip-hop act, Travis Porter, to the university.

The student, Courtney Davis, a senior marketing major, said he thought more students would be satisfied with Travis Porter than the current acts for the University Board's spring concert, Far East Movement and Mike Posner.

“Any party they throw on campus they play (Travis Porter's) music,” Davis said. “People like to dance to it. They make fun party music.”

But Travis Porter never came to Eastern and instead performed at a venue at Lake Land College in Mattoon.

Davis said the UB denied him a venue for the concert and they said they would not sponsor RSO events.

Ceci Brinker, the director of student life, said it was against Eastern's policy to sponsor concerts organized by individual students or groups other than the UB.

“It wasn't anything against (Davis) or his group, but we wouldn't do that

with any group,” Brinker said.

She said Davis signed a contract with Travis Porter without the University's permission.

“He was signing as himself, but he wasn't representing Eastern,” Brinker said. “Some of the things he would have done with that show Eastern Illinois University would have never done.”

The contract, Brinker said, had items that were against Eastern's policies. These included alcohol for Travis Porter's catering and payment before the concert. She also said the insurance outlined in the contract would have made Eastern too liable.

Brinker said multiple rumors of the concert spread throughout campus.

“Next thing you know the artist had ‘Eastern Illinois University (on) April 2’ on their website,” Brinker said. “April 2 we would never do. The venue was already reserved for Greek Week and they reserved it months in advance. There was no interest or even an opportunity for the concert.”

Brinker said even after the concert was moved to Lake Land rumors continued.

“The talk was out there that Eastern Illinois University turned this down and was against it, but it was all ru-

mors,” Brinker said. “The show wasn't canceled, there never was a show.”

With no funding from the university, Davis said he continued with money from 3230 Entertainment, as well as, a personal loan from a business partner.

Davis said they did not profit from the concert but they did make their money back. He also said he enjoyed the concert but was also disappointed by the lack of turn out.

“For future events I want to have more support from (the) UB and the student body,” Davis said. “The same way I support their events and not just get shut out. I'm hoping to receive more support from this campus, I did this for the students.”

Brinker said the main lesson from this event is concerts require a lot of planning big or small and require more money than most people think.

“I think this was Mr. Davis' first time in the music business and he was just in over his head,” Brinker said.

While he did not gain much financially, Davis said he is going to use the concert as a learning experience. He said he is already planning future events for Minority Entertainment.

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STUDY ABROAD SOCIETY



JASMINE RANDLE | THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

Emily Ebert a junior graphic design major; Fraya Andich a junior elementary education major; and Amanda Bosco a junior Early Childhood education major pose as members of the new study abroad RSO here on campus Wednesday.

Revived RSO sparks interest in study abroad

By Rachel Rodgers
 Campus Editor

The Study Abroad Society has returned as a registered student organization after four years with the mission statement to bring the world to Eastern, and bring Eastern to the rest of the world.

The Study Abroad Society has been inactive for four years since it was last established at Eastern, but on March 30 the organization was officially renewed with its first informational meeting of the semester.

Fraya Andich, a junior elementary education major and president of the Study Abroad Society, said one of the main purposes of the Study Abroad Society is to facilitate a community of students who share the common interest of studying abroad.

“We want to provide students with an extra resource for studying abroad to help them make connections and let them know that they are not alone,” Andich said.

Lisa Brown, the coordinator of the Study Abroad Office and adviser for the Study Abroad Society, said she sent an email to evaluate how much interest there would be for the Study Abroad Society and 83 students who have studied abroad in the past responded they would be interested in this organization.

Valerie Gilroy, a junior psychology major and the membership involvement chair of the Study Abroad Society, said about 12 people attended the first meeting, but the executive board met five times to organize the goals of the organization.

Andich said one of the goals is to have going-away parties for students who plan to study abroad and welcome-home parties for students who are returning from study abroad trips.

Brown said the organization is meant to be an intercultural exchange where like-minded people can share an appreciation for different cultural experiences and international issues.

“The Study Abroad Society will also allow them to be a part of a community where they can share their stories with

“We want to provide students with an extra resource.”

Fraya Andich,
 junior elementary
 education major

people who are excited to hear about them because sometimes students will return from studying abroad and they don't have an audience that understands and appreciates what they went through,” Brown said.

Amanda Bosco, a junior early childhood education major and the secretary for the Study Abroad Society, said students can receive unique study abroad insight with what to expect by joining the organization like what to pack, what foods to try and what different slang is used.

Andich said there are no requirements for students interested in joining the organization, but in order to be an executive board member of the Study Abroad Society, one must have studied abroad in the past.

Andich, Bosco and Gilroy studied abroad together at the University of Winchester last semester.

“I think it is very important for people to make connections with others who are studying abroad at the same place so they can see a familiar face when they go overseas and the Study Abroad Society offers that connection to students,” Bosco said.

Brown said the Study Abroad Society is an opportunity for students who are even remotely interested in cultural exchange to obtain information from people who have study abroad experience and are able to make others feel comfortable with the transition.

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BLOTTER

Hit and run reported on campus

• At 12:58 p.m. Sunday, a telephone harassment report was received at Greek Court. This incident was referred to the Office of Standards.

• At 3:21 p.m. Monday criminal damage was reported at the

W-Lot. This incident is under investigation.

• At 6:27 p.m. Tuesday a hit and run was reported at Coleman Hall. This incident is under investigation.

STAFF EDITORIAL

Big loser a bad choice to lecture university

"Jersey Shore" star Snookie was paid \$32,000 to speak at Rutgers University March 31. Another reality star will be visiting Eastern on April 18.

While no Snookie, Amanda Arlauskas, from season 7 of the NBC show "The Biggest Loser" will come to Eastern tell her story.

Arlauskas is being brought to Eastern by the University Board, which brings comedians, musicians and bands to campus. The UB, which is made up of 10 committees run by students, has a long tradition of planning a lot of great events for Eastern. It coordinates Quakin' in the Quad and Open Mic Night as well as performances by artists like Drake, Lupe Fiasco, and the Goo Goo Dolls.

This tradition of great speakers and entertainers has us questioning why Arlauskas will speak. For that matter, what could any reality TV show participant share with Eastern students?

While speaking at Rutgers, Snookie's greatest piece of wisdom to share with the 1,000 undergraduate students who attended was, "study hard, but party harder," according to *USA Today*. To add insult to injury, for its commencement ceremony Rutgers is paying Nobel-winning author Toni Morrison \$2,000 less than it paid Snookie to speak.

Yes, we are sure Arlauskas will be able to speak competently about the benefits of weight loss and how hard it was, especially to an audience that is close to her in age, but so could a representative from the Health Education Resource Center, who would also be able to provide sound advice.

The UB is the campus entertainment board whose goal it is to "strive toward achieving programs with quality, diverse entertainment for all of you! As coordinators, (the UB staff) work together to provide the best events to make sure all of Eastern's students have the best college experience," according to the UB section of the Campus Life website.

Surely, these reality intellectuals will help students have the best college experience.

Lecture speakers should be able to provide some meaningful and enriching knowledge to the student body. Many times, the only educational speakers being brought to campus are separate campaigns from individual organizations and university departments.

We encourage the lecture committee to seek out a variety of speakers and follow the guidelines on their website that read, "lectures sponsors a wide range of interactive, innovative and informative topics that are presented by prominent speakers that relate to a university audience."

What knowledge could these pop-culture icons possibly share with us that their hours of soul-sucking reality TV shows cannot? People already spend enough time watching and supporting reality stars on TV. Let's leave them there and give those who do not have a TV show time to talk.

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COLUMN

If you care for your brain, unplug it

The Internet has changed the way my mind works. If, like me, you prefer text messaging to phone conversations, skimming articles online to reading books, and checking your email every two minutes to focusing wholly on one a single task, it could have very well changed the way your mind works too.

Even now, as I write about my fear that new media has changed the way my mind works, I find myself unable to resist the urge to seek out new stimulation. I will find myself clicking over to my web browser to check my email, RSS feed or Facebook before coming back to my word processor, puzzling out the next sentence or two before clicking back to my browser to do it all again.

I have a strong suspicion my problem is not a latent case of insanity because there are several distinguished writers and researchers who have also written—though perhaps in a more focused way—about technology's effects on the mind.

Nicholas Carr, an author and writer whose columns have appeared in *The New York Times* and *The Atlantic Monthly*, has made this topic the essential focus of his work. His first major article on the subject appeared in the July/August issue of *The Atlantic* titled, "Is Google Making us Stupid?" (which the editors of *The Atlantic* ironically changed to "Is Google Mak-



Doug T. Graham

ing us Stupid?" so it would be easier for online readers to find the article using search engines like Google).

In the article, Carr talks about how the fast-paced nature of the Internet has shortened our attention span on a molecular level. Contrary to the claim that our brain cells are set in their ways by the time we reach adulthood, our brains are actually quite malleable. Carr quotes James Olds, a professor of neuroscience at George Mason University, who said the brain has the ability to reprogram itself on the fly, altering the way it functions.

This reprogramming happens when our brains are introduced to new technology. The invention of the Internet is not the first time this has happened. When the mechanical clock was introduced to a society that had largely relied on the sun to know when to wake up, it changed the way we operated. We gained an

ability to wake up precisely at a certain time, but lost our ability to be in tune with the sun.

The introduction of the Internet to the human mind produces a similar loss and gain in ability. In this case, we are losing our ability to focus on a particular task for an extended period of time and gaining the ability to do several simpler tasks at once.

This is not a fair exchange. Losing our ability to devote our full attention to a particular task makes our generation worse off when it comes to producing the next great writer or scientist. We need to devote our attention to one thing at a time. This isn't "Limitless," there's no magic pill that maximizes our brainpower. In fact, all we've got are machines that divide the functions of our brain and cripple our cognitive abilities.

I love my computer as much as the next man, but the thought that it is making me dumber than I already am is something I am having difficulty coming to terms with. Managing my life so I don't turn into another victim of computer-induced Attention Deficit Disorder is going to be a struggle, but if you care for your brain you will try to resist the urge to check email every five minutes with me.

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FROM THE EASEL



GARRETT GOBIN | THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

COLUMN

Nothing should be safe from criticism

You've all heard stories, I'm sure, about supposedly non-profit organizations tricking kind-hearted donors into giving away their money to what they believe is a virtuous cause. Instead, these organizations take these funds for only their own gain.

This is why the Federal Trade Commission started Operation Phony Philanthropy in 2003. They wanted to protect consumers and ensure they could give to legitimate charities without fear of getting scammed.

It shows there is nothing, not even philanthropy, we should not scrutinize.

On April 4, *The Daily Eastern News* ran a letter to the editor titled "Flash mob column was offensive, disappointing."

This is part of the letter: "I'm extremely offended by the April 1 article, titled 'Philanthropy flash mob a big flop'... I'm somewhat disheartened that, when the flash mob was covered in *DEN*, it was done in a negative light. I feel that when the word philanthropy is involved, there should only be positive support. I just hope in the future the writers at the *DEN* will consider the 'truth' they are not afraid to



Seth Schroeder

tell and consider the tone of their articles."

While I don't necessarily agree with the column this letter concerns, I completely disagree with withholding negative comments from anything, even philanthropy.

It may shock readers to know that sometimes people lie. Sometimes they have ulterior motives and sometimes they may not be seeking the best interests of others. For this reason, we still need to scrutinize those claiming to do good.

I'm not saying the organization involved with this flash mob did anything wrong or is anything less than completely legitimate. But even charities that seem completely honest

should not get a free pass.

Uncritical acceptance under the banner of "a good cause" leaves us naïve, and others are free to take advantage of our sensibilities.

Newspapers have the investigative tools at their disposal to uncover these types of corruption: But this is not just a journalist thing, this is a responsibility of those who want to be ethical consumers and citizens.

This goes for anything, not just charity. We need to constantly analyze our surroundings, the organizations we are involved in, the things we buy and the actions we take.

In moderation, skepticism isn't a bad thing. It can keep us from being manipulated.

It's possible to do this without being pessimistic; most of the time I hope you find that things are as they seem.

But be wary of deceit. Stay curious, stay safe. The truth is there, but sometimes we have to dig for it.

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STUDENT GOVERNMENT

Tree to live on, compensation to be cut

Oak tree will be planted April 22 in South Quad

By Nike Ogunbodede
Student Government Editor

The student government could be continuing its tree-planting tradition for this year even though a recent bylaw eliminated the previously required duty.

During Wednesday's senate meeting, the senate tabled two pieces of new business.

There was no old business that needed to be discussed.

Student Senate member Zach Samples wrote the resolution and said his committee still wanted to plant a tree for this year.

"Due to the fact that money is budgeted for this tree for this year we would still like to plant the tree," said Samples, a freshman history major.

The oak tree will be planted in the South Quad on April 22 and will cost an estimated \$167.

Green Week, which is set to take place on April 18 to 22, usually culminates with the student government planting a tree in a previously chosen location, but because of budget constraints the senate voted to end the tradition.

The senate also tabled a resolution to pay for an additional van to transport members of the Student Action Team to lobby on April 14 in Springfield.

Christy Anderson and Samples, the co-writers for resolution, are asking for \$97 to pay for a third van.

"We still have a few open seats," Anderson said.

Student who chose to go to Springfield will no longer have to pay for their meals, like originally thought, because the president's office offering to cover meal costs as well.

Anderson said those who are applying late would have to be able to make the next meetings.

Student Body President Michelle Murphy, a senior communication studies major, told senate members running for executive positions to remain respectful despite upcoming elections.

"Stay classy," Murphy said.

During announcements, Student Senate member Roberta Luna announced he is writing bylaw change that would change a current bylaw that mandates the executive branch and the student senate speaker receive a tuition waiver for 12 credit hours.

"I'm trying to cut the tuition waiver from 12 credit hours to nine," Luna said.

The student government asked for



Zach Samples, a freshman finance major and member of Student Senate, speaks with other members after Wednesday's senate meeting. Samples is working to continue the tradition of planting a tree every year on Earth Day.

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\$66,066 and \$38,000 would be going toward student executive tuition waivers, said Luna, a junior finance major.

"That is about 60 percent of our budget," Luna said. "If this happens that would save us \$10,000."

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APPORTIONMENT BOARD

University Board, student government get budget cuts

By Erica Aguilar
Staff Reporter

The University Board and student government's budgets will be a topic of debate today during the Apportionment Board meeting at 7 p.m.

The UB puts on events like Quakin' in the Quad, Up All Nights, Homecoming Week, movies, concerts and other events. The UB was told it has to work with a 76 percent budget cut for the upcoming 2011-2012 school year.

Krystina LaMorte, the chairwoman of the UB, said the student govern-

ment's budget does not serve the campus, but primarily goes toward waivers for the executive board.

"I wasn't happy about (the budget cut). We raised our budget by 4 percent and student government raised it 16 percent," LaMorte said. "We serve the whole campus."

The student government took a 26 percent budget cut for the next academic school year. Ashley Hoogstraten, a senior communication studies major, and chairwoman of the AB said the AB needed more time to think about the decisions it has to make.

"I feel as though the board made their decisions too fast two weeks ago," Hoogstraten said.

Two weeks ago, the AB gave the UB and the student government each an estimated \$12,000 that was supposed to be taken from their 2011-2012 budget requests, but after members from both groups voiced complaints during the March 31 meeting, the AB reconsidered its initial decision.

The AB told the two organizations to go back and re-do their budget because the money the organizations were asking for was not in the

budget, Hoogstraten said.

"I do feel bad that the University Board and the student government had to wait a whole week and redo their budgets yet again," Hoogstraten said. "These two organizations put a lot of work into the Eastern Illinois campus."

Student Body President Michelle Murphy, along with a few other senate members, presented the budget request to the AB requesting \$66,066.

"This is the most stressed I have ever been," Murphy said. "A ton of cosponsoring will have to be done."

Hoogstraten said she wants today's meeting to go as smoothly as possible.

"I just hope that everyone can make do with what they have been given," Hoogstraten said. "Times are hard but our budget comes directly from enrollment numbers, there is nothing much we can do short of recruiting more students to EIU."

The Apportionment Board meets 7 p.m. today in the Arcola-Tuscola room of the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union.

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UNIVERSITY NRHH hosts week of recognition

By Jordan Cryder
Staff Reporter

This week the National Residence Hall Honorary is having its annual recognition week to recognize different groups of campus leaders.

Colleen Nelson, the NRHH communication coordinator, said she planned and organized the different days for Recognition Week with help from the NRHH recognition committee, the NRHH executive board and the NRHH advisers.

"Recognition week is done by NRHH so we can recognize the leaders around campus for all their hard work, time and effort put into every-

thing," Nelson said.

Nelson said on Monday they recognized the Building Service Workers in all of the residence halls by giving them doughnuts.

On Tuesday they recognized the associate resident directors, resident directors, complex directors and area director with cookies at their monthly meeting.

Nelson said they also honored the building secretaries with a flower pen and inspirational quote.

"Also recognized on Tuesday were the central housing staff, who are the individuals that work in the housing office in the (Martin Luther King Jr. University Union) with cookies in

their mail room," Nelson said.

Wednesday, night assistants, desk assistants and dining workers were among the three groups honored.

"We recognized night assistants with cookies and desk assistants with a coloring book and crayons, so if they have extra time at the desk they can color," Nelson said. "We also recognized dining workers with candy."

Today, NRHH plans to recognize Hall Council executive board members and resident assistants with mini cupcakes during their meetings.

"NRHH wanted to let these people know that their hard work is not going unnoticed and that we appreciate all their hard work," Nelson said.

STATE

Televangelist gives deposition in murder trial

By The Associated Press

WATERLOO — Televangelist Joyce Meyer gave testimony Wednesday ahead of the trial of her former bodyguard who is accused of strangling his wife and their two sons in 2009.

Christopher Coleman, 34, is jailed without bond and has pleaded not guilty in the May 2009 killings of his wife, 31-year-old Sheri Coleman, and

the couple's two children, ages 11 and 9.

Meyer said she is praying for Coleman, whose trial begins next week.

"The state's attorney asked me to testify and I just did," Meyer said. "I answered the questions honestly and truthfully and I've cooperated fully all the way through."

Meyer's son and chief executive of the ministry's U.S. operations, Dan

Meyer, also testified at the Monroe County courthouse.

Meyer did not say what she was asked or how she answered questions. Court officials have said the recordings could be played in open court during Coleman's trial.

Authorities believe that Christopher Coleman was trying to escape his marriage so he could be with a Florida girlfriend when the killings took place.

BUDGET, from page 1

"We're caught in the middle. It is expensive for the university, but we do appreciate all that our veterans have done and want to say thank you," McCann said. "But cost doesn't change because the state decides to wave tuition," McCann said. "In the end, education is the highest priority."

McCann said the university is looking into helping other students in similar financial dilemmas.

"We are more than willing to work with them," McCann said. "If they

see holds on their accounts, I encourage them to go to the Bursar/Student Accounts Office, and continue to check their Panthermail. That is how we communicate as we continue to go paperless. We are here for the kids. They need to be in school."

The university has cut the supply budget by 25 percent and is currently in a partial hiring freeze. However, this does not include student workers. Currently, President Bill Perry or Blair Lord, the vice president for academic affairs, approve all faculty positions

needing to be refilled. As of right now 62 positions have not been refilled.

McCann said the university is also cutting down on computer purchases and campus construction projects where they can.

"The campus in general has been affected, but we are trying to make sure this doesn't affect classes," McCann said.

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NATION

Colorado police pepper-spray troubled boy, 8

By The Associated Press

DENVER — Eight-year-old Aidan Elliott had thrown a TV and chairs at his Colorado elementary school and was trying to use a cart to bust through a door to an office where teachers and other students fled for safety.

No one could calm the boy, not even the staff in a program for children with behavior problems like him. So they called police, who had intervened with Aidan twice before.

Police found him with a foot-long piece of wood trim with a knife-like point in one hand and a cardboard box in the other.

"Come get me, f---," he said.

When they couldn't calm him down, one squirted Aidan with pep-

per spray. He blocked it with the cardboard box.

A second squirt hit the youngster in the side of the head, and down he went, according to an account of the Feb. 22 standoff in a police report first obtained by KUSA-TV.

Aidan and his mother went on national talk shows on Wednesday to say using pepper spray on an unruly 8-year-old was too much.

Police and officials at Glennon Heights Elementary in Lakewood, Colo., say it could've been worse.

"Had the officers chosen to be hands-on with him, the potential for him getting some type of injury and, maybe even officers, would have been much higher," police spokesman Steve Davis said.

BILL, from page 1

"We usually try to position both bills on the governor's desk. This way he'll likely veto one and sign the other," Rose said.

The bill will now advance to the Senate for further consideration.

Rose does not foresee any obstacles when it comes to the Sen-

ate passing the bill. However, "five weeks to move all the bills that need to be moved is not a lot of time," Rose said.

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SLAVERY, from page 1

Sauer said coordinators at the Conner Prairie Interactive History Park perform the event at night to have more of a scary environment for the participants.

"It is a very engrossing experience because so much is going on and they are very successful in creating an intense atmosphere," Sauer said.

Sauer said the event is about

90 minutes and the History Club members will participate as a group.

"People do not get to experience events like this often so I think it will be a once in a lifetime experience," Ernst said.

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STATE

Bulls close in on No. 1

By The Associated Press

DEERFIELD — Joakim Noah has a pretty good idea what to expect on Thursday night.

The Chicago Bulls host the Boston Celtics in a game that could have a big impact on the race for the No. 1 seed in the Eastern Conference, and he anticipates a charged atmosphere at the United Center.

"I think it's going to be a zoo in here on Thursday," he said. "It's very exciting." These, indeed, are exciting times in

Chicago.

With 16 wins in 18 games and the No. 1 seed in reach, the Bulls haven't had it this good since the Michael Jordan championship era.

They were three games ahead of Miami and Boston at 57-20 after hanging on to beat Phoenix on Tuesday. A win over the Celtics would all but eliminate them from the race for the top seed. The Bulls would salvage a four-game split and be four games ahead of Boston four to go in the regular season.

The next tiebreaker if they finished with identical records would be conference play, and at the moment, the Celtics are 35-12 with the Bulls 34-13 against the East.

"It means a lot," veteran forward Luol Deng said. "(The top seed) gives you the homecourt, but also, just having the best record tells a lot about the kind of season you had."

Big things were expected after a major offseason overhaul that came on the heels of back-to-back 41-win seasons and first-round playoff exits.

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Maday pitched 2-2/3 innings and was tagged for the loss, dropping her season mark to 10-3 as she struck out two and walked one, but also allowed five of the Salukis' hits.

Senior Amber May pitched 1-1/3 inning and retired two batters via strikes.

The Salukis' scattered hits and got two runners across the plate to beat the Panthers on their home turf.

With Wood at-bat and the Panthers trailing, she kept fighting off pitches trying to get on base. Schuette kept yelling to her to just have fun and relax.

"I want to relieve as much pressure off of them as I possibly can,"

Schuette said.

When Wood recorded the final out, she dipped her head, but Schuette said she did a good job fighting off pitches as the final batter of the game.

The Panthers will have less than 24 hours to regroup as Eastern is scheduled to host OVC newcomer Southern Illinois-Edwardsville at 4 p.m. on Thursday.

The game will be the third in the league series between the two in-state OVC rivals, as the Panthers have already earned two wins over the Cougars, last week in Edwardsville.

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LOSING, from page 12

Freshman Kevin Bauman and freshman Volodymyr Zverkovsky were the only Panthers to record wins.

Bauman won in two sets 6-3, 7-5 and Zverkovsky won in three sets 2-6, 6-3, 10-8. Despite going into a third set tie-breaker Zverkovsky was still

able to finish his match before Bauman won his.

Bauman improved his overall record this season to 8-8; however, he and sophomore Warren Race had won three straight doubles matches, but they were unable to grab another win losing 8-6 in a one set match.

The Panthers take on Murray State, Saturday for their regular season finale and Sperry said it is the biggest game of the year. The result of the game will decide whether Eastern can make an

attempt at a post-season run.

"We are very prepared, it's going to be a good match but I think we can pull it off. It's going to be a real test for the team," Bauman said.

As for next year, Bauman said the team should be much better.

"It helps that we all have matches under our belt and our experience will make us a much better team next year," Bauman said.

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BASEBALL NOTEBOOK

Chicago State game canceled by rain

By Brad Kupiec
Staff Report

The Panther baseball team's game at Chicago State was canceled Wednesday because of poor field conditions at Brooks Field in Chicago.

Head coach Jim Schmitz said he got the call Wednesday morning that they had gotten rain Tuesday night and there was supposed to be more rain in the Chicago area Wednesday.

"You know, a bus costs us money," Schmitz said. "It's not a good situation. We wanted to see (freshman right-hander Joe) Greenfield pitch again. You always want to play games and get confidence in the games."

Fifth in the OVC

After the first two weekends of Ohio Valley Conference competition the Panthers sit at 3-3 in conference play and in fifth place in the conference.

The Panthers are behind Southeast Missouri, Austin Peay and Murray State at 3-2, and Jacksonville State leads the conference at 4-2. The Pan-

thers are also sitting even on winning percentage with this weekend's OVC opponent, Morehead State.

The Eagles currently sit at 1-1 in conference and 5-22 overall this season. Morehead State's only conference competition thus far came in the form of a split double header with SEMO 10 days ago.

Morehead also played Southern Illinois-Edwardsville last weekend. SIU-E will not be a part of the OVC league until next season, but the Cougars are still scheduled to take on all but one OVC team this season. Eastern takes on SIU-E May 14 and 15 in Edwardsville.

The Panthers will travel to Morehead State this weekend for a three-game set before returning home Tuesday evening to take on the University of Illinois at Peterson Park in Mattoon. The Panthers then play Illinois College at Coaches Stadium on Wednesday.

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Senior infielder Cam Strang swings at a pitch during the Panthers' game against Western Illinois on Wednesday at Coaches Stadium.

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Top Cat
with Zye Boey and Mick Viken

Boey, Viken snap records

Duo looks to build off impressive outdoor debut

By Rob Mortell
Sports Editor

Red-shirt junior Zye Boey and red-shirt freshman Mick Viken broke multiple records at the EIU Big Blue Classic last weekend.

Boey won both the 100-meter and 200-meter dash. Boey set a personal and Eastern best with a time of 10.15 seconds in the 100-meter dash. The record was not only Eastern's all-time mark, but it marked the best time ran at O'Brien Field. He currently ranks second in the nation in the 100-meter dash.

Boey ran a time of 20.67 seconds in the 200-meter dash. This was good enough to eclipse Eastern's former record by one one-hundredth of a second. He is also fourth in the nation in the 200-meter dash.

"I'm excited really to see what can happen two or three weeks from now," Boey said. "I feel honored to break the record and hopefully can keep reestablishing the record throughout the season."

"After I saw him jump the first time, I knew this kid was going to be good."

Zye Boey, red-shirt junior

Viken transferred to Eastern from the University of Wisconsin this season. He had a successful indoor track season, winning the Ohio Valley Conference's Freshman Male Athlete of the Year.

He broke Eastern's outdoor pole vault record that has been standing since 1989. Viken launched a jump of 17-feet, 4.25-inches, which broke the previous record by 4.5 inches.

"(Breaking the record) was really exciting, Viken said. "I know I can go much higher though if I get a nice day with a tail wind."

Boey said he has been very impressed with Viken in his freshman season.

"After I saw him jump the first time, I knew this kid was going to be good," Boey said.

Boey and Viken each won OVC Athlete of the Week honors for their perfor-



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Mick Viken, left, a redshirt freshman pole vaulter, and Zye Boey, a redshirt junior sprinter, both broke school records over the weekend in their respective competitions. Viken cleared 17'4.75" to break the pole vault record. Boey broke the 100m record with a time of 10.15 and the 200m dash with a time of 20.67 seconds.

mances, Boey winning Male Track Athlete of the Week and Viken winning Male Field Athlete of the Week.

Boey was named an All-American for his performance in the indoor track season after taking seventh 200-meter dash at the NCAA Indoor Championships.

"Boey is on a completely different level than everyone else," Viken said. "He has a great worth ethic, which is why he does so good."

Boey said he hopes to build on that success in the outdoor season.

"I want to be an All-American," Boey said. "Hopefully I can do better than seventh (at nationals), I would like to get down to fourth, third or second range."

The Panthers are coming off an OVC championship in the indoor track season and Boey said the team thinks they can do much better than that.

"Off course we want to win (the

championship). Our first goal is to advance more people to regionals," Boey said. "Hopefully we can do better there and advance four or five people to nationals."

"If we don't win the OVC championship we will be really disappointed to say the least," Viken said.

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Boey, Viken are in class above rest

Mick Viken and Zye Boey. Zye Boey and Mick Viken. Viken and Boey. Boey and Viken.

Two names I've been hearing nonstop ever since the weekend's Big Blue Classic.

Viken and Boey both broke school records in what was essentially not only the Panthers' first scheduled home meet, but the Panthers' first meet as an entire team.

The cancellation of Cougar Invite led to a short dual meet against Indiana State at O'Brien Field where only a portion of the team competed.

So when the Big Blue Classic rolled around, the Panthers wanted to start the outdoor season the same mindset that they ended the indoor season with.

Mick Viken was definitely a surprise in the indoor season, so I was eager to see how he would fair in the outdoors.

Viken's talent was no secret. He was a state champion at Rolling Meadows High School and was a member of the University of Wisconsin's recruiting class that was one of the best in the nation.

Viken came to Eastern and made a name for himself by breaking the school indoor record. It took Viken almost the entire season to break the indoor record, breaking it at the OVC Indoor Championship in February. However, he wasted no time in the outdoor season, breaking the outdoor record in his first event outdoors in a Panther uniform.

For Viken, there's nowhere to go but up, as he'll have plenty of time to break his own record with the outdoor season still young and only being a red-shirt freshman.

Zye Boey's success comes as no surprise. Boey has been the face of Eastern track and field, as the only Eastern representative at the NCAA Indoor Championship last month.

Boey had a phenomenal indoor season, breaking multiple records along the way. Boey began his outdoor season the same way, breaking a record that stood since 1984.

Similar to Viken, Boey also has nowhere to go but up, as he can continue to improve on his Eastern legacy with many meets remaining in the track season.

I think Boey and Viken have pretty much cemented themselves as two of the best athletes to ever put on an Eastern track uniform. They're both already the best in Eastern history and currently two of the best in the nation at their respective events.

I think they are both two track athletes that fans will talk about and remember many years after their time at Eastern has passed.

Perhaps we could one day add them both to the list of Eastern Olympians with John Craft, Tim Dykstra and others. Only time will tell.

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SOFTBALL | EASTERN 0, SOUTHERN ILLINOIS - CARBONDALE 2



Carly Willert, freshman infielder, gets a Southern Illinois University-Carbondale player out at second base Wednesday afternoon at Williams Field. The Panthers lost to the Salukis 2-0.

AUDREY SAWYER | THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

Salukis spoil party at home

Panthers lose first home game of season, 2-0

By Lenny Arquilla
Staff Reporter

The Panthers lost to Southern Illinois-Carbondale Wednesday, 2-0, as the Panthers moved to 23-7 on the season after losing

their first home game of the season.

Junior first baseman Amanda Bilina led all Panthers with a 2-for-3 day at the plate.

Starting pitcher, freshman Reynae Hutchinson, and sophomore catcher Abby Wood each added a single of their own. The Panthers were out-hit 7-4 by the Salukis in the game.

Head coach Kim Schuette made several visits to the pitching mound, one to Hutchinson in

the 3rd inning and one to freshman Stephanie Maday in the 4th inning. They each produced different results.

The Salukis had two runners on with one out, but the next Saluki batter hit into a double play to end the threat; in fact, the Salukis ended up stranding five runners while the Panthers stranded six.

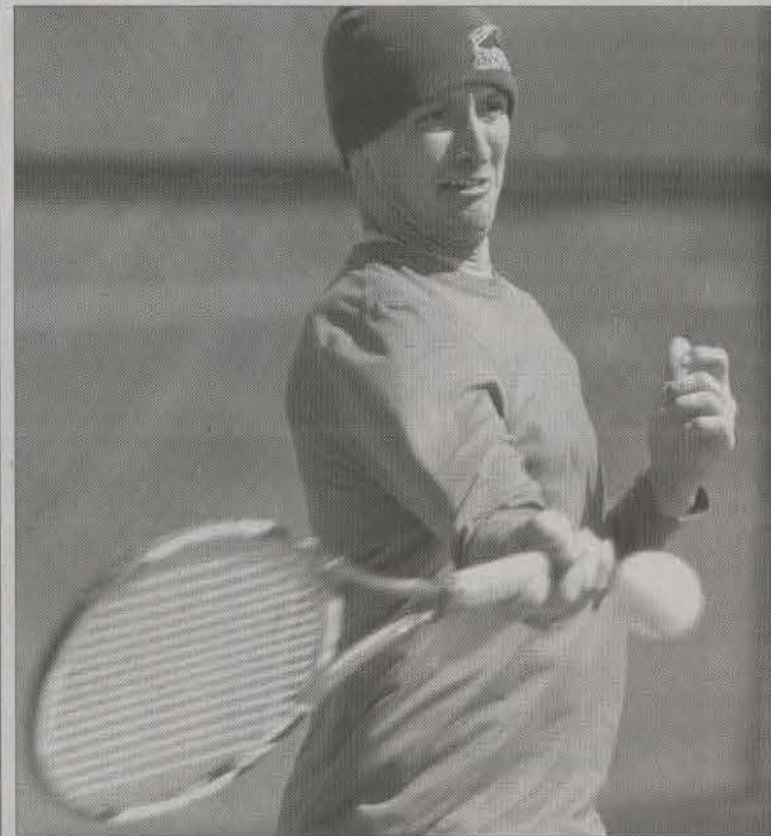
Schuette said she told Hutchinson to just relax and focus on what she had to do and it seemed to work.

The visit to Maday was not as promising. The Salukis took advantage of an RBI single in the 4th inning to score the first run, and the winning run. The Salukis got the lead early and the Panthers could not catch up.

The victory helped the Salukis improve the squad's all-time series lead over the Panthers to 25-14 and have now won 11 of the last 12 meetings between the two in-state rivals.

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TENNIS



Warren Race, a sophomore undecided major, attempts to return a serve against Morehead State March 27 at Rex Darling Courts.

DANNY DAMIANI | THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

Losing streak grows to six in Carbondale

Bauman records eighth win as team falls behind

By Seamus Riley & Rob Mortell
Staff Reporter & Sports Editor

Eastern's men's tennis team went down to Carbondale on a 70 degree day to face off against in-state rival Southern Illinois and suffered a 5-2 loss.

The Panthers now fall to 2-14 on the season. The loss also extends the Panthers losing-streak to six games.

Sophomore Michael Sperry lost his match in two sets to the Saluki's No. 1, Adam Fabrik, 6-1, 6-3. The win was Sperry's third of the season as he improved his record to 3-13.

Sperry was not as successful in doubles as he and junior Matyas Hilgert also lost their one set match 8-4.

Sperry said despite the loss the team feels it is progressing in the right direction.

"The team has come together, we are a young team and we try to build off of it every day," Sperry said.

Sperry said his proudest moment as a Panther was his first win at No. 1 versus Valparaiso and he is proud of the way his young teammates have played throughout the season.

"All of us on the team have been talking and we are going to train extremely hard over the summer and I plan on going to California to train with my older brother," Sperry said.

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