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Freshman's heroics propel **Panthers past Wildcats**

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COLES COUNTY AIR SHOW Stunt planes loop, swoop at air show

By Sara Hall City Editor

Coles County residents watched in awe as airplanes performed aerial tricks at the Coles County Air Show on Saturday.

While the air show may seem to have the same premise every year, attendees said they always find something new to enjoy.

Dennis and Tracy Williams, of Arthur, said they have attended the air show in previous years, but they always come back because it is always entertaining and pleasurable for them.

Martha Koons, of Neoga, said she was thoroughly impressed by the stunts performed by the pilots.

"I thought it was fantastic," she said. "I loved the flips."

Jenny Hagerstrom, of Neoga, said she brought her son, Will, because of his interest in flying.

"He loves airplanes," she said. "He wants to go on a ride in one."

Professional air show performers, The Red Thunder Air Show Team, a Chance Vought F4U Corsair and the Navy Aerobatics Air Show Team, participated in this year's air show.

Some performers, such as The Red Thunder, who have been performing in air shows for more than 30 years,

performed military synchronized maneuvers with the tips of their wings within three to four feet of each other.

Aircrafts on display included the Chance Vought F4U Corsair, Yak 52, Nanchang CJ-6A, T-6 Texan, North American SNJ and North American PS1 Mustang.

Jo Ann Walker, a member of Coles County Air Show security, said the event attendees tend to choose favorite airplanes, especially the Stealth Bomber and the swooping stunt planes.

Attendees especially enjoyed the Stealth Bomber, an aircraft that is invisible from radar, which flew from Scott Air Force base in St. Louis.

"You don't see that at very many shows," said Richard Elder, of Villa Grove.

Elder said he was impressed by how diverse the variety of planes the air show brought in.

"The show is really good for the size of the airport," he said.

The air show also provided other forms of entertainment for attend-

They could pay to take helicopter rides, as well as ride mechanical bulls and watch monster truck rides.

Food vendors were also on sight, selling fair food such as kettle corn, Zachary and Kyle, to the air show betainment the event provided.

"The kids are loving it," she said.

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ART SHOW 'Featured Artist of the Month' turns to pets for portraits

By Andrew Crivilare **Staff Reporter**

The Charleston art scene has gone to the dogs, cats and horses.

Local artist Kate West displayed her pet portraits on Sunday at Art Smart's "Featured Artist of the Month" closing ceremony.

Despite being an experienced, studio-trained artist, West said she did not start working with animals until this past year. "I'm new to pets, not new to art," she said.



DRINKING TICKETS Underage drinking comes with big risks

By Alicia Jenkins Staff Reporter

The Charleston Police Department issued 104 drinking citations to students from Aug. 19-21.

Deputy Chief David Chambers of the Charleston Police Department said the number of cita-

dards Specialist, said every circumstance is different but a student can face fines, community service, probation or even expulsion for alcohol related offenses.

Receiving a ticket could also affect financial aid if the agreement made stipulated continued good standing with Eastern, Roa said. Shawna Waller, the Substance Abuse Education Coordinator, said one of the main problems with freshmen or recently turned 21 year olds is that they do not know their limits and they drink too much.



David Shain points out a plane flying overhead Saturday for son Collin Shain, 2, at the Coles County Air Show at the Coles County Memorial Airport.

lemonade shakeups and funnel cakes

Michelle Roberts, of Tuscola, said while she originally took her sons,

cause of their interest in airplanes, they ended up enjoying all the enter-

Art has been a lifelong passion for West, but being as competitive as the art world is, West said she knew she had to find a way to stand out from the crowd.

"I wanted something people could have that would be something special," she said. "I thought where is the need that isn't being met."

Clients who commission a painting play a big role in the portraits' early phases. West met with the individuals as well as with their pets to better understand what people expect.

"I go and find out the personality of the client and the painting," she said. "Some want a lively and energetic portrait, others are looking for something more subdued and relaxed."

When the time comes to put paint to canvas, West works from photo-

KEITH SUTTERFIELD | THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS Painter Kate West explains one of her pieces of work on display Sunday as Featured Artist of August at Art Smart in downtown Charleston.

graphs of her restless subjects.

"I prefer to draw from life, but that is unrealistic here," she said. "I'll even help with taking a photograph of the pet."

West said her pet portrait technique has gone through stages of development in the time leading up to the show.

"I initially started with pencil and paper sketches," she said. "But then I found a much more fluid process on canvas and water."

Since then, West said she finds

chronicling her own progression pieceby-piece has become essential to expanding her vision.

"I found it gives me more freedom," she said. "Options aren't all black and white."

West said many people have been interested in the method that she uses to create the portraits.

Shannon Brinkmeyer-Johnston, owner of Art Smart Studio, first heard of West's pet portraits a month ago.

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tions given surpassed last year's 92 opening weekend citations.

"Most were related to alcohol in some way or another," Chambers said.

The vast majority of tickets given had to do with the purchase of alcohol by a minor or public possession of alcohol, Chambers said. According to the State of Illinois website, if a person is caught drinking underage, the underage drinker could be fined as much as \$500 as well as a serve six months in jail.

Those caught serving alcohol to an underage person would get up to a minimum of a \$500 fine but the fine could go up to \$1,000.

Driving while under the influence of alcohol can cause one to lose driving privileges, serve possible jail time and face up to a \$2,500 fine.

Besides the fines there are academic problems that can occur because of consuming alcohol.

Erica Roa, the Alcohol Stan-

When you go to a party and you're drinking out of the beer bong you don't realize how much you are actually taking in," Waller said.

At the Health Education Resource Center (HERC), the staff members try to educate the students so that students will know what to do when dangerous alcohol-related issues arise, Waller said.

'We pass out cards to freshmen that give information of when to call 911. For example, if your friend's lips are blue or if they are not breathing," Waller said. One of the main steps the

HERC has taken to help educate students on the dangers of alcohol is AlcoholEdu.

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Right on cue



DANNY DAMIANI | THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS Todd Lyznicki, a freshman undecided major, plays pool with Ethan Parsons, a freshman kinesiology major Sunday in Taylor Hall.

VOLUNTEER Fair to help students get involved

Staff Report

All Eastern students who want to volunteer, but do not know how get involved can meet with many of the volunteer organizations on Wednesday.

The volunteer centers of the Newman Catholic Center, New Student Programs and Student Community Service office are sponsoring a volunteer fair 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Wednesday on the South Quad.

Rachel Fisher, director of the Student Community Service office, said students could leave for class a few minutes early and walk through the fair and see all the ways to get involved on campus and in the community.

"It's a nice way to just stop by and meet the organizations of our community," she said.

The fair is a good way for students to find a

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"The goal of the G.I.V.E. fair is to connect students and organization together and highlight how both can help each other," Fisher said.

With the many service Registered Student Organizations and more than 30 off-campus organization, students can find something they are interested in, said Fisher.

"It is a great way for students to get interested in organizations, go to class learn more about their passion, and come out and use it," she said.

Going through the fair is an easy way to get involved, she said. "It's so accessible, you don't have to leave

voicemails or emails, you just go up and have a conversation," Fisher said. "It's an easy way to start your plan to volunteer.'

Fisher said students will come away with a better understanding of the variety of ways they

"I also hope students come away with a renewed passion about what service means to them and all the variety of ways they can be a difference," she said.

American Red Cross, Big Brothers and Big Sisters, the American Cancer Society and Sarah Bush Lincoln Health Center will be some of the organizations at the fair.

The volunteer centers of the Newman Center, New Student Programs and Student Community Service office has been sponsoring the fair for three years.

"It's a beautiful partnership because we each have a bunch of contacts both with students and people in the community," Fisher said.

The fair is the kickoff for the volunteering this year, she said. "It's really a party to celebrate all the ways you

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way that they want to help, she said.

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can volunteer on and off campus," she said.

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GREEK LIFE Delta Chi starts from scratch at Eastern

New fraternity chapter recruiting its first members

By Samantha McDaniel **Activities Editor**

The Delta Chi Fraternity started a new chapter on Eastern's campus and is recruiting students this fall, providing male students with a new option for Greek life.

Cameron Barnett, leadership consultant for Delta Chi, said Delta Chi has over 130 chapters internationally.

Jeff Melando, another leadership consultant, said Delta Chi is a social fraternity.

"We are a social fraternity in the sense that we inspire our members to live more social lives," Melando said.

Delta Chi has been going around starting kickball games and introducing themselves around campus, Barnett said.

"We want to create an organization that challenges the status quo on campus to break the model of what people think a fraternity is," Barnett said. "It's our goal to create an organization that not only challenged its own members, but challenge the community to raise the bar."

Delta Chi will be raising money for the Foundation for Cancer Research, a non-profit organization that raises money for scientific research to find cure for cancer, Melando said.

"We are going to do that through community service and various events on campus and develop the philanthropy that we will hold year after year and also to spread the goal of

We want to create an organization that challenges the status quo on campus

Cameron Barnett, leadership consultant

social excellence," Barnett said.

Members have to be outgoing and interested in building themselves personally and socially, Barnett said.

'When we look at prospects, we look for people that have good grades, are involved on campus or had leadership in high school," Barnett said.

The fraternity has 10 expectations which include academic achievement and integrity, according to the Delta Chi website.

Delta Chi's Eastern Chapter has no members yet, Barnett said.

"We are starting from scratch," Barnett said. "We hope to start giving out bids for membership from people we've met and people we are meeting day to day."

Also, Delta Chi is sponsoring a scholarship open to all male non-Greek students, Barnett said. 'The Leaders With Character' scholarship will be given to a male leader and there is no obligation to join Delta Chi.

Anyone who would like more information about Delta Chi can visit their website at Deltachi.org or on Facebook at Eastern Delta Chi.



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STUDY ABROAD Students view business world from across Pacific

By: Samantha McDaniel Activities Editor

A month-long trip to China allowed 13 of Eastern's School of Business students to experience a new culture, while learning about China's businesses.

Marko Grünhagen, Lumpkin distinguished professor of entrepreneurship, said when students graduate it is important that they have global experience.

'We want our students not only to learn about global business in the classroom, but experience it," Grünhagen said. Going to China is musthave experience for students, he said.

"I would argue that this is one of the most important things we can do for our students before they graduate is expose them to these environments in reality," Grünhagen said.



SUBMITTED PHOTO | THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS Entrepreneurship professor Marko Grünhagen, far left, and 13 students stand in front of the skyline of Hong Kong during a study abroad trip to China.

Beijing, one week in a small town in the Pearl River Delta and a week at Hong Kong.

they provide contrast between rural and urban and modern and history, he said.

Chinese faculty, as well as doing some sightseeing, he said.

Blair Jones, a junior accounting major, said the seeing the Great Wall of China was one of the best parts of the trip.

"I've seen pictures, but it was really cool to see it in person," Jones said.

Students also learned about some of the different customs. "It's an eye-opener for the students," Grünhagen said.

Some of the customs are different from ones in America, Jones said.

"They spit a lot, no matter if they are inside or outside," Jones said. "It's kind of gross."

Also, students had to learn that you cannot openly criticize the government, Grünhagen said.

We learned a lot about China's government," Jones said. "You get a new perspective on the communist party that most American's don't

Along with the new knowledge, comes a change in the student's perspective, Grünhagen said.

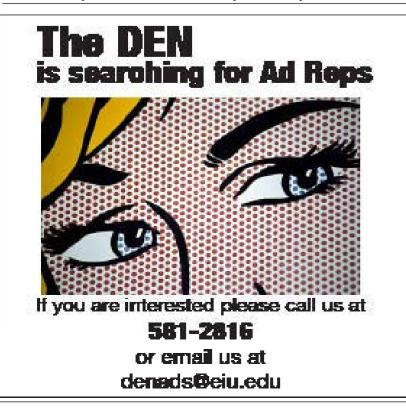
"As with any study trip, particularly one this long, students learn to appreciate a foreign culture, it changes students fundamentally," Grünhagen said. "Students grow up on a trip like this. You can see them change.

Grünhagen said the students become much more outgoing and less hesitant.

"The students learn how to adapt to new environments," Grünhagen said.

China was a new environment for Jones. "Just to get out of Charleston and the country was crazy," said Jones. "It makes you appreciate all the little things in America."

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STAFF EDITORIAL We cannot afford to fund failure

If at first you don't succeed, try, try again. Just don't expect the rest of us to keep paying for it.

Federal law now provides financial aid for students to retake a course they have failed, but will not pay for a student to take the course a third time.

We think this law is fair and good, which is why we are troubled by a recent meeting by the Council on Academic Affairs.

The CAA met Thursday to discuss, among other things, ways to "comply" with this law, as we reported in Thursday's edition.

CAA chair Chris Mitchell said that, in order to comply with the law, course numbers could be changed. That way, students would not technically be taking the same course three times (the course number being the only difference) and therefore would not be penalized by the law.

This is not so much seeking compliance with the law as it is finding a way around it. We think the CAA should follow the letter and spirit of the law, especially one as reasonable as this.

Financial aid is one of the most important investments we as a country make in our future. It is central to our commitment to upward mobility and a strong middle class. And, for the most part, we tend to think the more the better.

However, talk of spending cuts has already put financial aid too close to the chopping block. Defenders of aid programs should be the first to welcome the end of this wasteful use of taxpayer dollars on students who are not proving themselves to be a good investment.

It is fair to allow students funding to retake a course they have failed. There is a litany of unforeseen circumstances that might doom a student to fail a class their first time. Maybe a personal emergency like the death of a loved one or serious health problems caused a student to miss an exam. Maybe a teacher had it in for a student and sought to punish them.

These things happen occasionally and should not stop a student from being able to afford the necessary requirements for graduation.

But a student who has failed a course twice is exhibiting either an unwillingness to do the work or an inability to grasp the material. Either way, this student has not inspired enough confidence in his or her investors, the taxpayers, to deserve further funding for failure.

It is also unfair to the many students who could put the money to better use. There is a limited amount of money to fund students' educations and we ought to give priority to students who can better prove their worth. Let's encourage students to pass their class on the second go by telling them the next one is on them.

COLUMN The election conversation we should be having

With the election year approaching, casual chat frequently veers into the lane of political discussion, and there is a common Rolodex of topics to which most of us adhere. Granted are the usual topics of healthcare, taxes and social issues; but elections seem to open up more process-oriented discourse. And, importantly, how the election process is funded.

Though it seems that even in a system increasingly subject to the monetary tide that moves it, fewer and fewer Americans are engaged with, or even aware of, exactly who (or what) is behind that funding.

Enter Stephen Colbert and Americans for a Better Tomorrow, Tomorrow. Voted into existence 5-to-1 by the FEC, Colbert is now the founder of a Super PAC. He is legally able to raise as much cash as he can and spend it however he chooses, without disclosing a thing.

PACs, or Political Action Committees, are created and funded (predominantly) by corporations in order to provide a means through which they can legally make contributions to individuals seeking political office. Exploratory campaigns are almost always funded by PACs, and there is no limit to how much a PAC can spend.

Congressman Barney Frank said of PACs: "Elected officials are the only human beings in the world who are supposed to take large sums of money on a regular basis from absolute strangers without it having any effect on their behavior." Clearly, there's a problem with that, and it's get-

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Mia Tapella

ting worse.

The problem is not that PACs exist, or that corporations fund them. In a country where corporations have the same rights as individuals, it's not surprising that PACs form an important part of our political system. The problem is that it's all a big secret.

Major lobbying groups (Big Tobacco, American Heart Association, etc.) are pretty straightforward with their agendas, but it's not always so clear. And legally, PACs don't have to tell us what their plans are or who's behind them.

As recently as last year, congressional Democrats proposed the DISCLOSURE Act, which contained additional disclosure requirements for election donations as well as limited foreign involvement, but were unable to obtain the single Republican vote necessary for passage.

And of course the most current landmark Supreme Court failure, Citizens United v. Federal Election Commission, essentially repealed the McCain-Feingold Act, which regulates the financing of political campaigns and broadcast ads by limiting the use of funds not subject to federal limits.

The influence of powerful, well-financed Super PACs is clear, and that's why Colbert's cheeky experiment is so brilliant.

By making a joke of the joke that our campaign system has become, he's sending a powerful message about this huge problem for the direction of our political process

According to Mother Jones, 10 percent of Americans control two-thirds of the country's net worth, and if you're a Congressman, your chances of being a millionaire are one in two.

All politicians run campaigns and all campaigns cost money. PACs have money and PACs have interests. It doesn't take a Comedy Central host to come to the conclusion that serious campaign finance reform is necessary to restore any semblance of a democratic process.

It seems amazing to me that people are still so terrified of becoming a socialist state; in reality it seems much closer to an oligarchy.

We're an occupied nation of corporations that are taking over our political system, and if we expect to be taken care of (the other 90 percent of us, that is) I'm afraid we can expect to be wrong.

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR Students should volunteer with Sexual Assault Counseling and Information Services, help victims

To the Editor:

I was pleased to note that the DEN carried an article informing students about volunteer opportunities in the community. Please be aware that you left out SACIS, the Sexual Assault Counseling and Information Service, that has provided 500-600 Eastern students with volunteer opportunities over the past 34 years.

SACIS volunteers work on the 24-hour crisis line, provide advocacy for survivors at the hospital, assist with puppet programs in elementary schools, conduct public education programs, and assist with resource fairs and fundraisers.

Our student volunteers have proven to be very marketable when looking for jobs and gaining admission to graduate schools.

SACIS is a sexual assault crisis center providing services in six counties and it is located on Eastern's campus in the Lawson Hall basement.

In addition to providing free and confidential services for EIU students, people ages pre-school through senior citizens receive assistance.

The next SACIS 44-hour volunteer training class will start on Saturday, Sept. 10 with sessions held for eight hours on Saturdays and four hours on Sundays through Oct. 1.

Contact the SACIS office at 348-5033 or by email at sacisch@consolidated.net. The training is free.

Bonnie Buckley Executive Director SACIS

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By Andrew Crivilare Staff Reporter

A new generation of Coles County residents honored the past on Saturday at the 75th anniversary Lincoln Log Cabin State Historic Site, a tribute to area's rich history of the 16th president.

Jan Grimes, director of the Illinois Historical Preservation Agency, spoke about the connections Saturday's event shared with the initial dedication in 1936.

"Those here 75 years ago knew history mattered, and those here today know that as well," she said.

Dixie Howard, of Toledo, said she first started coming to Lincoln Log Cabins nearly 50 years ago, and she said much has changed since then.

"It's different now," she said. "Back then it was only the one cabin." Mathew Mittlestaedt, site manager for Lincoln Log Cabin Park, said the site draws about 88,000 visitors annually.

"All sorts of folk are interested," he said. "We get a lot of families, a lot of people from the community, people from upstate."

President of the Charleston Chamber of Commerce, Mark Esary spoke about Ben Weir, a 1930s Charleston business owner, for his foresight in buying land on which the Lincoln Log Cabins were to be built.

Challenged by his selfless dedication to the community, (Weir) worked to build a more enriching community in which to thrive," he said.

In addition to viewing the site's latest exhibit on the site's construction, attendees were also given the opportunity to a behind-the-scenes look at the historic site's permanent collection.

"Most museums display about five percent of their collection", said Maggie McAdams, an intern at the site.

Guests at the park could also interact with various volunteers portraying different real-life residents of Coles County circa 1845.

Volunteer reenactor Rex Colgrave, otherwise known by his 'cabin name' Alfred Hawl, said he always has to be conscious to play his part.

"People won't believe a word you say," he said. "You can't break character."

Jerry Groniger, of Mattoon, said the rededication ceremony made him think of his parents.

"It's a very nice event," he said. "I regret not asking my parents if they were out here 75 years ago.

Grimes closed the rededication with a positive outlook for the future.

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Brinkmeyer-Johnston said she moved quickly to establish West as Artist of the Month because she produced good material.

she said. "She always works."

Brinkmeyer-Johnston said she understands the positive reaction

"People have an amazing connec-

For more information on West or to view samples of her work, visit www.kateweststudio.com

an amazing connection to their pets"

Shannon Brinkmeyer-Johnson

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AlcoholEdu is an online program required for all freshman and transfer students.

Eastern is one of about 700 schools to use AlcoholEdu for its students. Western and Illinois State also use similar programs.

Eric Davidson, the associate director of Health Service, said when people look at higher education and alcohol use, it is typically when students enter the college environment that the conditions lead to an increase in alcohol consumption and the negative related harms.

"So a way to think of AlcoholEdu is kinda like a vaccination or a booster shot," Davidson said.

Some people may not take the AlcoholEdu program seriously, but over all the HERC believes that this program does help, Davidson said.

"Who wants to take a three hour online course, regardless of the topic, before they come to school," Davidson said. "What we find for the most part is most students will say it wasn't that bad and I did learn something."

Davidson said the alcohol cases seen on campus on are not as extreme as they were before AlcoholEdu was implemented.

The HERC will be having the upcoming Six Pack Program to help students learn more about alcohol.

Alex Race, a junior psychology major, is a transfer student and was required to take AlcoholEdu.

Race said the program did not give information that students did not already know, but it is good to be reminded.

"I would say keep doing it. It makes people think about it," Race said.

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at Lincoln Log Cabin's 75 year rededication.

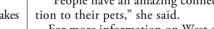
"I hope to see this kind of action

75 years from now," she said.

"People have

"I thought of Kate right away,"

West has had from clients.



All Eastern fans are encouraged to show their team spirit by wearing EIU Blue on Thursday, September 1st for EIU's first 2011 football game & College Colors Day, Friday, September 2nd.

COLLEGE COLORS DAY - SEPTEMBER 2nd

All EIU faculty, students and staff are encouraged to wear blue and grey on September 1st and 2nd.

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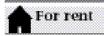
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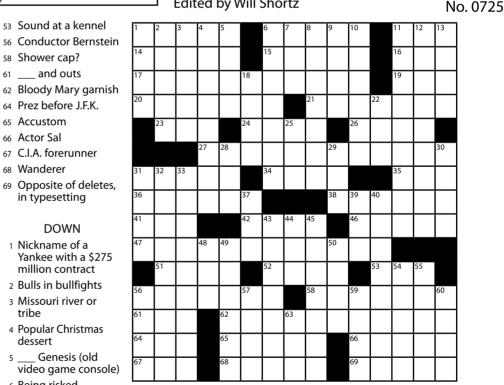


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MEN'S SOCCER



Senior midfielder Mike Picinich traps a ball Oct. 20, 2010, at Lakeside Field. The men's soccer team beat Northwestern in a 2-1 upset Friday.

Rookie's heroics propel Panthers past Wildcats

Butler's overtime goal seals victory

By Rob Mortell Staff Reporter

Northwestern held a 1-0 nearly the entire game, until senior defender Mike Picinich nailed a shot from 25 yards out to tie the game in the 77th minute.

Senior midfielder Graham Lynch was able to set up Picinich for the clutch, game-tying goal.

Eastern's men's soccer team was not about to let the dramatic momentum swing end there. Freshman forward Will Butler made his Panther debut a memorable one, connecting on the winning goal in overtime. He was tapped the ball in past the goalkeeper after a mishandled save attempt for his first career goal.

The win marked the first time the Panthers won a season opening game since 2007. It also gives Eastern a 5-4-5 advantage over the Wildcats in the overall series.

Head coach Adam Howarth said, in a press release, the first half was an adjustment period for the younger players, but in the second half the team came together.

Northwestern outshot the Panthers in the first half 4-2; however, the Panthers were able to grab control of the ball outshooting the Wildcats 7-2 the rest of the game.

"It is important to keep the ball well and we must do this when we are under pressure," Howarth said.

Sophomore goalkeeper Tyler Kelley was taken out after the first half. He made one save and allowed the one goal to forward Oliver Kupe. Kupe led Northwestern in scoring last season with 10 goals.

Kelley was later replaced by junior Evan Turner. Turner made two saves in 48:29 minutes of action.

Last season, the Panthers scored two goals in a single game twice all season. With 16 more games to play this season, Eastern seems to be on pace to score much more than the nine goals last year.

The team return to action Thursday at Bradley for a non-conference game.

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VOLLEYBALL

Panthers split opening weekend

Staff Report

Panther volleyball swept their second day of play at the Indiana State Quality Inn/ASICS Classic this weekend in Terre Haute, Ind., to even their record after dropping a pair of Friday matches to open their season.

The Panthers opened their season Friday by dropping their first match in four sets to Miami (Ohio) by set scores of 25-14, 20-25, 25-17 and 25-12 against the Redhawks.

Freshman outside hitter Katie Kirby led the Panthers against Miami with eight kills. Junior outside hitter Emily Franklin posted seven put-aways and junior middle hitter Alison Berens notched six of her own

Franklin also led the team with 12 digs, while senior libero Brittany Wallace finished with 11.

After their loss to Miami, the Panthers turned their focus to the tournament host, the Sycamores of Indiana State.

The Panthers were swept by Indiana State, 25-10, 25-14 and 25-14, as freshman middle blocker Kelsey Roggemann led the Eastern squad with five kills in the loss.

Eastern was out-blocked in both losses, 8-4 against Miami and 6-3 versus the Sycamores.

The Panthers came out strong Saturday morning, blanking Chicago State with scores of 25-21, 25-22 and 25-18 before downing Coppin State in four sets, 25-17, 25-14, 19-25 and 25-15.

Against Chicago State, Franklin led the Panther offense with 11 kills while sophomore middle blocker Amy Martin tallied 10 kills of her own, as both set career bests.

Senior setter Chrissie Albers notched assists on 36 of the 39 Panther kills against Chicago State, as she tallied a grand total of 112 assists over the four-match tourna-



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Brittany Wallace, a senior libero, throws the ball up to serve Nov. 5, 2010, against Austin Peay at Lantz Arena.

ment.

After the sweep of Chicago State, the Panthers took on Coppin State, beating them in four sets to improve their mark to 2-2 for the weekend and secure third place honors out of five teams in the tournament.

Kirby led the Panthers against Coppin with 12 kills while serving up a team-high pair of aces in the match.

Kirby earned all-tournament honors for the weekend, leading the team with 31 kills. Kirby also assisted on three blocks and dug 21 balls to complete a solid weekend.

The Panthers will now look to next weekend when they play three matches in Louisville, Ky., against Wichita State and Ole Miss in addition to the tournament host Louisville Cardinals.

CROSS COUNTRY Teams show unity at Peace to Meece race

By Olivia Sloss Staff Reporter

Eastern's men's and women's cross country teams started the season with the "Peace for Meece" Memorial 5K/ Alumni race on Saturday at the Eastern cross country course near Lantz Pond Pavilion.

The event is held in the honor of Ryan Meece, a former Eastern cross country and track and field member from 1993-1998. Head cross country coach Erin Howarth said she felt both the men's and women's teams did excellent. She said she was really proud of the teams because they expressed team unity.

"I was really happy that I heard the guys talking and having a lot of communication where they were encouraging each other," Howarth said. "I wanted everyone to hold each other accountable and ensure that it wasn't about 'me' it was about 'us'; it was about 'EIU."

Red-shirt senior Olivia Klaus was the winner for the women with a time of 19:05. Paul Howarth, husband of coach



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The group of 101 runners takes off from the starting line during the Peace to Meece 5k Run Saturday on the Panther Trail. Paul Howarth, a unattached runner, took first place with a time of 15:42.55. The cross-country team will host the EIU Walt Crawford Open Sept. 9.

Erin Howarth and member of the EIU Striders running club, was the winner for the men with a time of 15:42.

Prior to the start of the race, Klaus did a two-mile tempo run at a 6:30 pace along with the warm-up. Howarth said she felt that it showed her strength and all of the hard work she put in this summer, that she was able to do the tempo run and still come out and win on the women's side.

Howarth said she felt the freshmen on the team did extremely well for this being their first collegiate meet and with them only training with the team for a couple of weeks.

"The freshmen improved a lot from the time trail we had last week, especially Lauren Magnuson, a walk-on freshman, who improved by a minute 50

seconds and Chelsea Sondgeroth, who broke 20 minutes," Howarth said.

Freshmen Bryce Basting and Joe Calio finished in second and fourth place on the men's side with times of 15:46 and 15:49. Senior Brad LaRocque ran a 15:59 after previously running a 5k before the start of the race. Red-shirt sophomore Matt Black set a personal record for both cross

country and track and field with a time of 16:11

Juniors Erika Ramos and Brittany Whitehead got second and third place on the women side after Olivia Klaus with times of 19:15 and 19:16.

Sophomore Klaudia Susul and seniors Bridget Sanchez and Emily Quinones also competed in the memorial run. All three are members of the Eastern track and field team.

"We primarily used this race as a workout for preseason practice that starts Monday," Susul said.

Next up for the cross country teams is the Walt Crawford Panther Open, which is set to take place at 4:30 p.m. on Sept. 9 at the Panther Trail.

The Ryan Meece Scholarship Award this year went to junior cross country runner Britney Whitehead, who like Ryan suffered injuries throughout the cross country and track & field season, but never quit the team.

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