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Cearron Bagenda (left), a junior communication studies major, and Jason Iskalis, 21, of Naperville, play with Bagenda's Great Dane, Ariel, in the Library Quad Wednesday. Bagenda said she brought out Ariel and her other dog, Rosie, because of the warm weather.

DANNY DAMIANI | THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

CAMPUS

Chemists raise money for equipment, supplies

Proceeds go to Chemistry Dept. after lab vandalism

By Robyn Dexter
Campus Editor

Eastern student affiliates of the American Chemical Society will be selling wristbands to benefit the chemistry department, which was vandalized over Thanksgiving break.

The rubber wristbands are \$2 and are blue with lettering saying "I <3 Chemistry."

Rebecca Peebles, one of the ACS-SA advisers and an assistant professor of physical chemistry, said the fundraising is very beneficial for the department.

"It's good that the students are showing the department that they care," she said.

Peebles said although the damage done to the chemistry labs was covered by insurance, the emotional damage is still very much present throughout the department.

"We're doing what we can to get things back on track," she said.

Logan Erbacher, a senior biological science major, said the devastation affected the whole department.

"Since everything was destroyed, any money we can get coming in will help," Logan Erbacher. "My research adviser's lab was affected, so my research was put on hold at the end of last semester."

Erbacher said he was unable to finish the last part of his lab last semester because of the vandalism.

"Going in and seeing our lab trashed kind of impacted our motivation for a while," he said.

Felicia Roland, a junior chemistry major, said her work in the labs was directly affected by the vandalism and is glad ACS-SA members are doing their part to help.

"When I went in (after the vandalism), my stuff was all over the ground and I had to start all over," Roland said.

She said she is now working on someone else's project and did not get to finish what she had been working on.

Much of the chemistry equipment had to be replaced, so students had to wait for replacements to begin their work again, Roland said.

Chris Florido, the group's president and a senior health studies major, said the ACS-SA wanted to support the department.

"The vandalism affected many ACS-SA members and we felt we needed to do something to help," he said.

The ACS-SA will be selling the rubber wristbands from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Feb. 9 in the northeast stairwell of Coleman Hall.

"We thought it would be a good idea to show our support for the chemistry department by selling wristbands to help raise money for lab equipment and supplies," Florido said.

Since the group wants to raise as much money as possible, 100 percent of the funds raised will go to the chemistry department, he said.

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STUDENT GOVERNMENT

Senate approves SOPA resolution

By Amy Wywiałowski
Staff Reporter

After reviewing the Stop Online Piracy Act and Protect Intellectual Property Act resolution that was tabled at last week's meeting, the Student Senate voted unanimously to approve it.

John Poshepny, a Student Senate member and a senior finance major, co-authored the resolution with Student Senate members Mitchell Gurick and Jenna Mitchell.

"Even though SOPA and PIPA are currently tabled, they could come back in some other form and it is good that we show our support," Poshepny said.

In addition to the resolution passing, the Student Senate members also collected a total of 335 letters to send to U.S. Senators Dick Durbin and Mark Kirk.

The next steps in the process are

for the Student Senate members to write a letter explaining their process and send the student-signed letter.

"A lot of people, especially new (student) senators, stepped up and did what it took, showing they still care and we're still interested as a whole," said Gurick, a freshman business major.

The Student Senate also unanimously passed Jarrod Scherle's, the student executive vice president, funding proposal to attend the Illinois Board of High Education Student Advisory Committee meeting in February.

"It is a cut and dry (proposal) and since we are being fiscally conservative, the cost is much lower," Scherle said. "I am getting up early and driving there and back in one day, I would get \$0.51 per mile I drive."

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SHEA LAZANSKY | THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

Speaker of the Student Senate Zach Samples tells the members of the Student Senate about his experiences at this week's Faculty Senate meeting during the Student Senate meeting in the Union on Wednesday. According to Samples, the idea to create a block of time where no classes or meetings would be held was suggested during the Senate meeting.

DOUDNA FINE ARTS CENTER

Herwig to kick off 53rd jazz festival

By Jennifer Witt
Staff Reporter

Eastern's music department will be hosting its 53rd annual jazz festival on Feb. 10 and 11.

The festival will start off Feb. 10 with a concert by the jazz musician, Conrad Herwig.

The concert is scheduled to start at 7:30 p.m. in the Dvorak Concert Hall of the Doudna Fine Arts Center.

Herwig is a New York jazz trom-

bonist that has been active in the world of jazz for more than 30 years. He was voted No. 1 jazz trombonist in the 2002 DownBeat "Jazz Critic's Poll."

Herwig has recorded 20 albums, and his non-Latin recording, "Heart of Darkness," was given four and a half stars by DownBeat Magazine.

Herwig has been featured in well-known groups such as the Joe Henderson Sextet, Joe Lovano Nonet and the Horace Silver Octet.

"Being a complete musician is also incredibly important," Herwig said. "Arranging, composing, improvising, and sight reading skills, as well as playing in multiple styles, are crucial in today's music industry."

All together, Herwig has been featured on more than 200 albums throughout his jazz career.

Herwig will be playing with members of the Eastern jazz ensemble during his performance.

"It's an honor and pleasure to

be coming to Charleston, Ill., to perform and work with students," Herwig said. "We will be performing some of my originals, as well as original arrangements of John Coltrane's music, and some re-imagined standards like 'Body and Soul.' All of these will feature jazz improvisation by myself and the students."

Herwig said he will help students to become better musicians.

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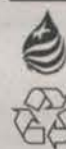
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CHARLESTON ALLEY THEATRE

Charleston Alley actors to perform one-act plays

Plays mark 100th show, start of 2012 season

By Kathryn Richter
City Editor

The Charleston Alley Theatre will be hosting its 100th show and its first show of the 2012 season, a collection of four one act plays.

The one-act plays are written by Christopher Durang and are entitled "Mrs. Sorken," "The Nature and Purpose of the Universe" and "Death Comes to Us All, Mary Agnes." The one-act plays are also recommended for mature audiences only.

The one-act plays are under the direction of Marie Jozwiak, who recently performed as the character of Olivia in the CAT's play "Twelfth Night."

Jozwiak said of the first show, "The Nature and Purpose of the Universe," that everything that could possibly go wrong in the story does.

"It's about how in life, God throws certain challenges at us," Jozwiak said. "It's all about how we deal with those challenges."

Jozwiak said another theme in the story is how far someone can be pushed before they snap.

Jozwiak also said the story is about how the main character deals with the issues in her family.

Those appearing in "The Nature and Purpose of the Universe," include Victoria Bennett, Thomas MacMullen, Kyle Probst,

Jacqueline Armstrong, Bill Stinde, Jacob Norris, Alexis Evans, Derek Wintermann and Mellissa Akins.

The second show, "Death Comes to Us All, Mary Agnes," is one that Jozwiak said is about the consequences of the choices individuals make in life.

The play features a mother who is in love with her two sons, the two sons that are in love with one another, a daughter who is loved by neither, and the father who is oblivious to it all.

Those appearing in "Death Comes to Us All, Mary Agnes," include Thomas MacMullen, Jacquelyn Armstrong, Pat Shannon, Rachel Anderson, Jacob Norris, Alexis Evans, Derek Wintermann and Mellissa Akins.

Alexis Evans, a senior communication studies major, appears in both one-act plays. Evans said

she began her involvement at the theater after seeing a flier in Coleman Hall.

Evans said her favorite thing about being involved in the one-act plays is the ability to ad-lib and being weird for the roles.

"You can be as off-the-wall as you want," Evans said.

The one-act plays will open at 7:30 p.m. on Friday with additional performances at 7:30 p.m. on Feb. 4, 6, 10, 11 and 13 and performances at 2 p.m. on Feb. 5 and 12 at the CAT, located at 718 Monroe Avenue.

The ticket sales will be \$10.

Tickets are available up to one hour before the performance and upon reservation by calling the theater at 345-2287.

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CHARLESTON ALLEY THEATRE

Theatre holding auditions for Shakespeare's 'Merchant of Venice'

3 women, 16 men needed to fill roles

By Kathryn Richter
City Editor

The Charleston Alley Theatre will present William Shakespeare's "The Merchant of Venice" this spring and will be having auditions at 7 p.m. on Feb. 7 and 8.

Duke Bagger will be directing and acting in the production, which will be presented in early April.

William Shakespeare's "The Merchant of Venice" centers on a man named Bassanio who needs money in order to wed an heiress, Portia.

When Bassanio's friend Antonio cannot loan him money, he offers to be a guarantor for Bas-

sanio for a loan from the Jewish moneylender, Shylock. Shylock's daughter Jessica had recently eloped with an anti-Semitic.

When Antonio fails to repay his debt, he must pay with a pound of flesh. Portia disguises herself as a lawyer to defend Antonio from Shylock's legal suit.

The auditions will take place at the Charleston Alley Theatre and participants must be prepared to read from the script. Bagger said the play requires 16 men and three women.

Bagger said double casting is common in larger shows and stated that Shakespeare often wrote shows for actors to play multiple roles, having only a small company available to him.

Bagger said double casting may be in order depending on the number of people who attend the audition.

"Whenever you cast a big show, it's always a big point of

concern," Bagger said.

However, Bagger said some auditions bring out numerous participants, such as the recent "Miracle on 34th Street" auditions that numerous people showed up to. Bagger said the "Miracle on 34th Street" auditions turned up so many people that they had to double cast the roles in order for everyone to be involved.

Bagger said Shakespeare originally wrote his plays to be all-day affairs, sometimes lasting up to five hours.

"Merchant of Venice" is also a lengthy production, Bagger said. However, the first thing that will be cut from the script will be social and political jokes that would have been relevant to the Elizabethan audience but may not be understood to Shakespeare's audience 400 years later.

Bagger said the theme of discrimination is still relevant in today's society.

"Shakespeare liked to write real people, warts and all."

Duke Bagger, actor and director

Shylock, who is Jewish, was not considered on the same social level of Christians, a theme that Bagger said continued until the 1950s in America.

Bagger also said Shakespeare also wrote characters who were never completely good or completely bad.

"Shakespeare liked to write real people, warts and all," he said.

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RESIDENT HALL ASSOCIATION



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Pemberton Hall resident Raquel Serrano, a junior nursing major, explains the tutoring program she founded and runs in Pemberton Hall Jan. 26 during the Residence Hall Association meeting in the Stevenson Hall lobby. Serrano and Aseret Gonzalez, student vice president for academic affairs, would like to get all residence halls involved in a hall tutoring program.

RHA to plan fundraising events

Residence Halls decide how to spend their \$29

By Elizabeth Grubart
Staff Reporter

The Residence Hall Association's February all-month event called "29 Dollars in 29 Days" is now in effect.

Each residence hall will be letting RHA know what they plan to do with the money in terms of local donations or community service expenses.

They also have many other community service planned events for the rest of the semester.

One event they are preparing for is the Disney-themed "Kids and Friends Weekend" coming up later this month. It will take place Feb. 24 and 25. All children, siblings and other people who are not yet in high school are invited to join.

Andrew Lilek, a junior art major with a focus in pre-graphic design, said he hopes everyone gets involved.

"Everyone should grab a few of their younger friends and siblings and get involved in this awesome event," he said.

Each of the residence halls will be assigned their own character themes.

Nick Allen, a freshman pre-business management major, shaved his head in support of the St. Balderick's Foundation, a charity for children with cancer during the men's basketball game on Monday, Jan. 30.

Eastern's Illinois Residence Hall Association delegation will have a meeting after the RHA meeting to work on their banner for the upcoming IRHA conference at DePaul University.

It will be Feb. 17 to 19. Each delegation from all of the participating schools is required to make a banner to display. The theme is

Themes for Halls

- Carman - "Mickey Mouse characters"
- Taylor - "Aladdin"
- Thomas - "Cars"
- McKinney - "101 Dalmatians"
- Lincoln - "Winnie the Pooh"
- Douglas - "Peter Pan"
- Lawson - "Finding Nemo"
- Andrews - "Disney Princesses"
- Weller - "Lion King"
- Ford - "Dumbo"
- Stevenson - "Hercules"
- Pemberton - "Alice in Wonderland"
- Greek Court - "Toy Story"

"IRHA Rock."

They also plan on discussing possible locations and dates for the events coming next school year.

The RHA will be meeting in the basement of Andrews Hall today at 5 p.m.

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CAMPUS

26th Scholastic Bowl will be Saturday

By Samantha McDaniel
Activities Editor

Only seven trophies will be rewarded at the Honor College Scholastic Bowl competition Saturday with 23 high schools in attendance.

The 26th annual Scholastic Bowl will begin at 8:30 a.m. Saturday in the auditorium of Coleman Hall.

Edward Hillman, the event coordinator, said there are always opportunities to learn new facts.

Hillman said during each round, two teams made up of five people will answer a toss-up question.

For each toss-up question the team that answers correctly will receive 10 points.

After a correct answer on the toss-up question, the team that answered correctly will be given a bonus question that each member works on, which is worth 20 points.

"The subjects range through pretty much anything: history, biological science, life sciences, English, sociology and random knowledge," Hillman said.

The seven teams with the most points will receive trophies. The five students who score the most points will receive medallions.

Hillman said the different topics provide the opportunity to learn about different subjects.

"It's one of those opportunities to learn something new, because there are all kinds of stuff that I looked through that I was just like 'man I don't know what this stuff is,' but the more you hear it the more you know it," Hillman said. "It makes you a more knowledgeable person all around."

Hillman said he participated in the scholastic bowl in high school.

"It's a competition that you don't have to be athletic to participate in," Hillman said.

Margaret Messer, director of Honors Student Affairs, said it allows student to excel in all areas.

"It allows them to excel academically, whereas many of their peers are excelling in sports," Messer said.

Messer said it gives students a chance to show what they have learned in school.

"It allows (students) to excel academically, whereas many of their peers are excelling in sports,"

Margaret Messer, director of Honors Students Affairs

"It's an opportunity for them to show skills and to use the information they learned inside the classroom," Messer said. "It is just a fun trivia event."

The competition also gives the students a chance to see Eastern's campus, Messer said.

"The purpose of the event is to provide students from east-central Illinois to come visit Eastern and to learn about the honor's college," Messer said.

Messer said in past years the competition has been heated.

"It's just fun to see the teams get excited as they win and become more proficient at the quiz process," Messer said.

Blair Lord, provost vice president of academic affairs, will welcome the schools.

"The teams will be from schools between Chicago and Springfield," Hillman said.

The schools that will be participating in the scholastic bowl include Armstrong, Arthur, Casey-Westfield, Charleston, Chatham-Glenwood, Cumberland (Toledo), Edwards County (Albion), Effingham, Fairfield, Oakland, Hutsonville, Marshall, Mattoon, Mt. Carmel, Neoga, Newton, Oblong, Paris, Robinson, Salem, St. Anthony (Effingham), Teutopolis and Windsor.

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The study abroad options are endless. Students can study abroad in New Zealand, Ireland, Mexico and England, among many other destinations.

In addition to having their choice of over 100 locations, Eastern students have many choices regarding how long they want to travel. Students can venture from Charleston for as long as a full academic year and as short as winter or spring break.

Studying abroad is a great way for students to learn and earn class credits while traveling the world.

The deadline for summer faculty-led programs and scholarship applications is today. Unfortunately that ship has sailed. But if you're interested in studying independently over the summer, fall or spring semesters, we suggest that you be proactive and start applying now. The deadline for study abroad applications for summer and fall is March 1 and the deadline for spring study abroad trips is Oct. 1.

It is also better to study abroad when you still have to complete some of your general education courses. This is advantageous because the international school of your dreams is far more likely to have an introductory political science course than an advanced biology class.

This is an opportunity for students to meet people from all around the world, learn about their culture, and learn about themselves in the process.

Studying abroad also looks good on a resume because it makes you stand out as a well-rounded person to potential employers.

Yes, studying abroad will typically cost more than the price of staying in Charleston, but students must compare the amount of money they are spending to study overseas to the amount they pay to live in Charleston.

The Office of Financial Aid estimates the cost for an academic year for on-campus students to be \$22,736, according to its website.

Contrast that with a year spent overseas. For \$17,235, students can study abroad at l'Université Catholique de l'Ouest in Angers, France. That figure, which is \$5,000 less than the cost to study in Charleston, includes airfare, tuition, room, board, passport fees and more.

Eastern has over \$100,000 available for students just through the Office of Study Abroad. That number doesn't even account for scholarships students can get through other departments at Eastern, such as the Honors College or the History department.

Though you wouldn't know it looking at it on a map, you can get an Eastern Illinois University experience in places thousands of miles from campus.

Take advantage of a study abroad opportunity while you are in school and are not tied down to a mortgage. You will be happy you did.

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COLUMN

'Wizard People' exposes Potter's gritty underbelly

There is a very specific emotion one feels when they find out someone else has learned about their favorite book, TV show, band or movie.

Everyone reacts to this phenomenon differently. Hipsters, for example, become moody and sullen when they hear their favorite song on mainstream radio.

Last week, I felt a great swell of pride when I learned that my favorite movie would be shown as part of a film festival on campus tonight. Well, it's not really a movie, but whatever it is, it is my favorite.

"Wizard People, Dear Reader," a "movie" by comic Brad Neely of creasedcomics.com, will be shown along with several other films as part of the "Detournement: Subversive Visual Communication" film festival at the Tarble Arts Center at 7:30 tonight.

I hesitate to call "Wizard People, Dear Reader," the hilarious product of Brad Neely's comic genius, a movie because its creator's input is solely auditory. The visuals for the "film" are provided by a well-known movie: "Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone."

Essentially, Neely has provided those who own the hugely popular film a new audio track that features him narrating what is going on.

Fans of the old TV show, "Mystery Science



Doug T. Graham

Theatre 3000" are probably familiar with the concept.

What separates Neely from being just another person making jokes in a movie theater is that he completely subverts the story the filmmakers intend the audience to experience.

In Neely's version of The Boy Who Lived's first year at Hogwarts, Harry's fattest guardian is Uncle Porkflaps, his half-giant friend is Hagar the Horrible and his most-hated teacher is an evil woman named Professor Snake.

But the name changes are just the beginning of how Neely alters the original work.

In "Wizard People, Dear Reader," Harry is not an honest boy in a world that wonders him but a hero who contains "stockpiles of nuclear-level energy" who deals with his troubles by producing many a "Wine-out-of-Nowhere Spell."

In Neely's version, Harry's parents were killed by Valmart, the scar artist, who "is so evil, as soon as he came out of the womb, he put a scar on his own forehead." Valmart's motivation for murder was not because of a prophecy, but because Harry's parents refused to murder for fun, a requirement of the Dark Side Club, of which all three were members.

Neely is also flat-out hilarious. Here is his description of the Halloween decorations in the Great Hall: "Gorgeous, floating Jackie-Os in the cafeteria, and every student is feasting. The spread is beautiful. Apples, candied apples, applied candy, candied whiskey, apple fritters, anything you could ever want."

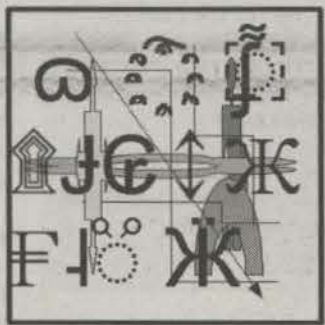
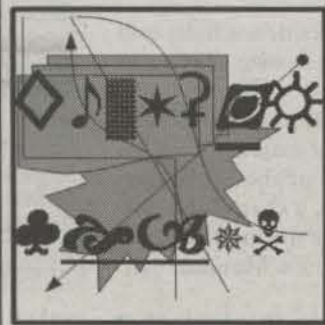
Neely is not the first to hijack a film and use it to tell his own story. In 1966, Woody Allen bought the rights to a Japanese action film "International Secret Police: Key of Keys" and re-dubbed it to make a comedy called "What's Up, Tiger Lily?"

The biggest difference between the works is that Allen had the legal right to subvert, which really doesn't make it true subversion.

Beyond being a hilarious experience, Neely created a new art form, and that alone is reason enough to experience it.

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Still time to remember not to forget Valentine's Day

Do not panic, but for all you men and women who are dating, unavailable, in some complicated relationship, married or just plain taken, I thought I would let you know Valentine's Day is 12 days away. You have less than two weeks to plan something if you or your significant other is into celebrating it. Not that bad, right? Wrong.

It's easy to plan something in 12 days when you both live in the same city. What about all the long-distance relationships out there? Never fear! I am here! I have been there and done that so many times I should have my master's in long-distance relationships by now.

Planning a romantic dinner could theoretically work out, as long as neither of you run into traffic. And then that only works out if the one who is arriving has transportation. Trains will not miraculously be running on time on Valentine's Day. Neither will the price of gas go down. If you are internet savvy then you have already been looking at ads for cheap Valentine's Day getaways. It is easy enough to buy tickets and meet in the middle but, unfortunately, Valentine's Day is a Tuesday this year. Who has a day and a half off for a quick getaway? No



Julia Carlucci

average college student, that's for sure. So I am going to stick to only gifts showing up instead of people.

There is the (almost) always reliable gift via mail. There are plenty of companies online that you could order gifts from and have them shipped to arrive right on Feb. 14.

But what about the timing? If your better-half has work and you send a giant edible bouquet (face it, everyone loves a gift they can eat) to their home they may miss the delivery. Send it to their work and some mooching co-worker (probably me) will eat it all. You could casually ask, "So hey, what time will you be checking your mail Feb. 14?" Too obvious? Alright. How about, "So what are you doing every

Tuesday of February?" Or you could just wing it. I prefer winging it. The best of both worlds is to send the gift to their home and a singing telegram to their work. That way you can embarrass them at work and when they get home an "apology" gift will already be there. Problem solved!

But what if, heavens forbid, they have a pollen or food allergy? Or they hate edible gifts? It would be absolutely, totally, and in all other ways inconceivable for someone to hate food. No one hates food, and even if they did they could not live without it. Out of courtesy, I will list other possibilities.

There are phone dates in the evening, hand-written letters, e-cards, buying them whatever it was they needed for their latest Xbox game, or even a wake-up call. I do not recommend wake-up calls unless you think you can wake up early.

If all else fails, just send a text in the morning with "<3" at the end. That will give you a few extra hours to plan something, if 12 days was not enough.

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COUNCIL ON ACADEMIC AFFAIRS

CAA meeting canceled

Staff Report

The Council on Academic Affairs scheduled meeting today was canceled because of a lack of items on the agenda.

Despite this, the council for learning goals subcommittees will meet at 3 p.m. in Room 4440 in Booth Library.

The learning goals are for undergraduates to be able to speak and

write effectively, think critically and function as responsible global citizens.

The CAA has also added two new courses, two revised courses and one revision of a minor to next week's agenda.

The possible new courses are two senior seminar classes titled Communication Organizations and their Environments, and Environmental Communication.

The possible revised courses are Communication Research Methods, and Introduction to Organizational Communication.

The minor scheduled for revision is the Environmental Sustainability Interdisciplinary minor.

The next regular CAA meeting will take place at 2 p.m. on Feb. 9 in Room 4440 in Booth Library.

HERWIG, from page 1

"One of the best talents to develop is learning how to make other people sound good," Herwig said. "Certainly if those around you sound good, and you can be a catalyst for an exciting performance, that makes for a successful career in music."

Bands from around the area will kick off the remainder of the jazz festival at 8:30 a.m. on Feb. 11.

Throughout the day, visiting bands will have the opportunity to participate and compete in clinics.

Samuel Fagaly, the director of jazz studies at Eastern, said Eastern jazz students will have the opportunity to be featured soloists throughout the festival as well.

The festival is scheduled to end around 7 p.m. with an award ceremony for the participating musicians.

Some students are getting excited for the jazz festival.

Tony Picuch, a member of a jazz combo, will not be playing in the festival but is very excited to be attending.

"I think it's great Eastern is able to host this jazz festival every year," Picuch said. "It gives a lot of young groups an opportunity to play in front of an audience. Playing live jazz is what it's all about. It helps people get excited about music."

The festival will cost \$10 for the general public and \$5 for students. Tickets can be purchased at doudnatix.com.

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RESOLUTION, from page 1

In his report, Scherle also shared points from the University Strategic Plan draft that he was presented with at the Jan. 20 Board of Trustees meeting.

During committee reports, Aseret Gonzalez, the student vice president for academic affairs, reported that applications for the Student's Distinguished Professor Award are now available.

The award will be presented at 4 p.m. on April 3 in Room 1895 of the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union.

The meeting concluded with the resignation of Rebecca Jakaitis, the Student Senate secretary.

"It has been exactly a year since I started this position, and this is proba-

bly the most I have ever spoken at one of these meetings," Jakaitis said.

Jakaitis received a standing ovation from the Student Senate. Her resignation takes effect after the Feb. 8 meeting.

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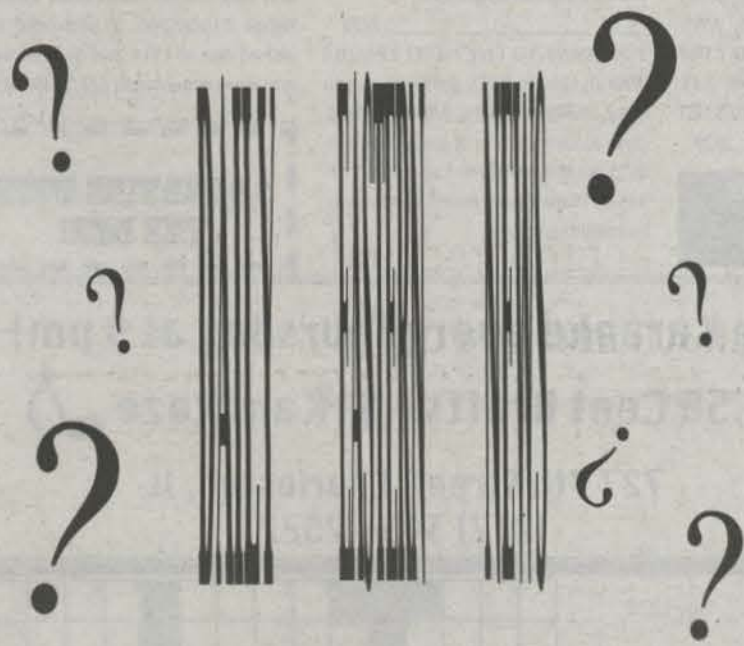
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Andrew Dudley, a freshman undecided major, prepares to catch a lacrosse ball while he practices on the Library Quad on Jan. 31. The unseasonably warm weather had Dudley, a captain of the club lacrosse team, and many other students heading outside to take advantage of the sunshine.

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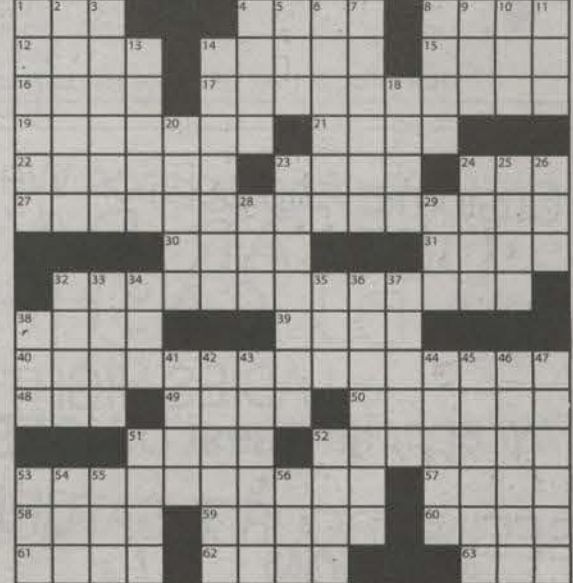
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PUZZLE BY DAVID STEINBERG



RECRUIT, from page 8

Joining Huey from the state of Texas will be defensive end Tyler Paulsen. Paulsen was the MVP of the Texas 4A state championship game, which his own Lake Travis High School won for the fifth straight year. Lake Travis High School, located in Austin, Texas, is the only school in Texas high school history to win that many consecutive championships. Paulsen finished his senior season with 87 tackles, 56 solo tackles and 11 sacks.

"He's from a championship 4A football team that's won five state championships in the state of Texas. It's never been done before," Babers said.

Another defensive player joining the Panthers is defensive athlete Ryan Meyer from Chicago's Marist High School. Meyer played wide receiver, running back, defensive back and kick returner in high school, leading his team to three straight playoff appearances.

"He can play all the positions; safety, linebacker, we don't know where we're going to play him at yet, but we like the things that he does on defense," Babers said. "He runs, he hustles to the ball; when he gets there, he's in a bad mood, and he separates people from the football. So he's the type of defensive player we're looking (for) here and we're excited about having him."

Kendal Butler will be another defensive back from the state of Illinois joining the Panthers. Butler played for Cumberland High School, where he played both quarterback and defensive back. A member of the National Honor Society, he intercepted 25 passes in his career at Cumberland.

The final defensive back added to the Panthers' National Signing Day class was Micah "Pono" Choy of Honolulu, Hawaii. Choy was named to the ESPN All-Hawaii team in his senior season.

"Pono Choy is one of those players that you look at and you can't understand, you can't explain why he does the things that he does on the football field; but all he does is make plays and wins games," Babers said.

Babers said he hopes Choy will influence future Hawaii recruits to come to Eastern.

"We're excited about having him," he said. "He's from a school with a great football tradition and a great academic tradition, Kamehameha High School. He's one of the players that we think is going to help to start moving some players in that direction from our area."

On the offensive side of the ball, the Panthers have added two linemen to the roster.

"We have two offensive linemen in this class, Evan Kanz and Jimmy Lowery. Both of those young guys are big-bodied guys, they're 6-foot-4, 6-foot-5, 270, 280 pounds," Babers said. "So that's kind of the frame that we're looking for is those wider, bigger guys that can drop the blade on people."

Kanz comes from Wisconsin's Luxemburg-Casco High School, where he was the No. 3 rated lineman in the state.

Lowery comes to the Panthers from Lombard's Montini Catholic High School, who won the IHSA Class 5A championship this season.

Also coming to the Panthers from Montini Catholic will be wide receiver

Anthony Taylor. Taylor had 59 catches and 957 yards in his senior season, while also catching eight touchdowns.

Babers said that though he still has scholarships available, he and his staff will be selective in their process.

"We could still add to this group, but we're going to be very, very selective," he said. "I think it's a situation where we have extra scholarships; we don't want to panic, we want to be very thorough in our evaluations and we want to be slow to pull the trigger on things."

The class has four signees from Illinois, three from Texas and one each from Hawaii and Kentucky. Still, Babers insists that his main areas of recruitment are in Chicago and St. Louis.

"Obviously our recruiting base is going start in the state of Illinois, and that means the city of Chicago," he said. "Outside the city of Chicago and this state, St. Louis is our main area we go to next, and then we start working out from the center of the state of Illinois. We always want this to be home, but we're looking for good football players wherever we can find them."

When recruiting this year's class, Babers said he did not look at the film from last year's season to see where he could find improvements.

"Did not look at the film from last year's team at all," he said. "I wanted to keep a clean slate so I could judge all these young men on a brand new, clean slate."

Babers said he consulted with coach Mike Lynch on what certain areas should be addressed.

"Coach Lynch told us the areas he

"Pono Choy is one of those players that you look at and you can't understand, you can't explain why he does the things that he does on the football field."

Dino Babers,
 Head football coach

felt that we should address," he said. "After we addressed those areas, we went, for the lack of a better term, for the best player available."

Some of the players targeted were also on his radar while he was still on the staff at Baylor.

"There's no question that some of those guys were on the list at Baylor," he said. "Really, I want to give some kudos; most of this class has been recruited by Coach (Mike) Lynch, Coach (Andrew) Sowder, Coach (Brian) Callahan, and Coach (Sterlin) Gilbert."

Babers and his team will take the field for the first time on Aug. 30 against Southern Illinois-Carbondale at O'Brien Field.

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SNAP, from page 8

Senior guard Joshua Jones provides Eastern Kentucky with a deep threat from beyond the three-point line. Joshua Jones is scoring 9.4 points per game, while making 1.4 shots from behind the arc and shooting 35 percent in the process.

One key to the Colonels success this season is their discipline.

They turn the ball over the least in the entire OVC, which makes it hard for teams to get easy baskets off turnovers. They are also second in the league in turnover margin at +2.2, showing that they are capable of forcing turnovers on defense.

On paper, this appears to be a pretty even match-up. Eastern Kentucky and Eastern are ranked six and seventh respectively in scoring offense in the conference, and fourth and seventh in terms of scoring defense.

The Panthers are led by senior guard Jeremy Granger. The pre-season all-OVC performer is averaging a career-high 15.4 points per game. Granger also leads the team in assists (3.5) and steals (1).

Tip-off for this conference rivalry game is scheduled for 7 p.m. in Lantz Arena, where the Panthers have posted a 6-4 record this season.

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"You're not just going to come out every game and win by 40, four minutes into it," Sallee said. "I didn't want to preach one thing and then me go cuckoo and counteract what I'm telling them."

"You saw me at the beginning of the second half when (the Redhawks) made a couple shots and I stayed seated. I just let (Eastern) run motion. I didn't call plays. I wasn't going to bail them out of this one. They had to work their way out of this on their own."

Nixon said the team stopped paying so much attention to the scoreboard and the clock, instead focusing on getting defensive stops.

The Redhawks' 75 percent shooting from the field fell by 30 percentage points by halftime. Then in the second half, Eastern held them to 37 percent shooting.

Mitchell said she and the team came out motivated in the second half after what Sallee said at halftime.

"We've heard that side of him before but not really often," Mitchell said. "When that comes out, the message gets across real quick."

Nixon was a major part of the Panthers comeback. She scored a season-high 24 points in the game and the first half was all hers, Sallee said.

"First half it was Ta'Kenya 34,

SEMO 24 and then we went and ran around the campus and found all of our other players and played with them in the second half," Sallee said. "She was my best post player, my best guard and she was my best rebounder."

Nixon had 12 of her 24 points in the first half and it was her back-to-back layup and jumper that gave Eastern a 26-22 lead before halftime.

Mitchell said Nixon's leadership to take over on the floor helped the Panthers wake up and play hard the rest of the game.

"Her pushing the ball and scoring gets us motivated," Mitchell said.

The Panthers won the game by 26 points, but Mitchell said it was definitely a wake up call for the team, which is 18-4 overall and 9-0 in the Ohio Valley Conference.

"Teams are getting better now," Mitchell said. "They're drawing up different plans. It's different now."

Eastern won't have to worry about past performances against teams when it plays Morehead State at 4 p.m. Saturday in Lantz Arena.

Eastern and Morehead State haven't met this season.

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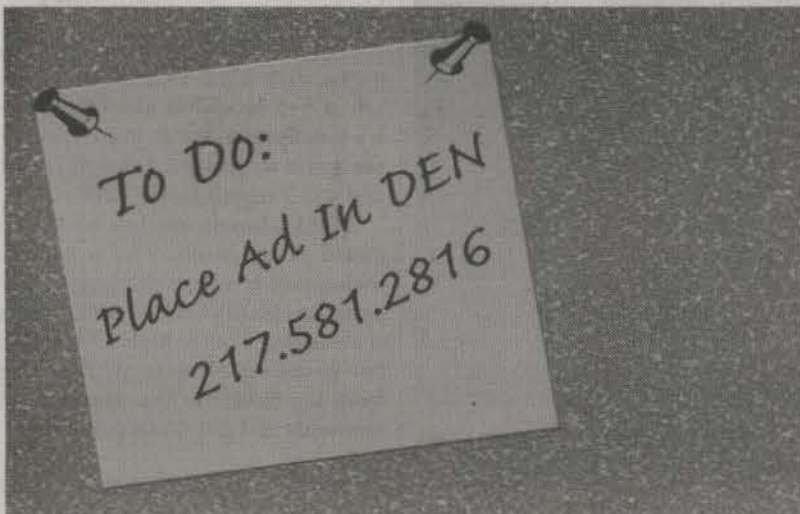
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FOOTBALL

Babers locks up first recruiting class

Team lands 10 new signings

By **Dominic Renzetti**
Sports Editor

Tuesday marked National Signing Day, where high school football players around the nation signed letters of intent deciding where they would be playing next season.

The Panthers signed a total of 10 players to become a part of head coach Dino Babers' first team next season.

The first two players to sign were

linebacker Jake McNair and wide receiver Keiondre Gober.

McNair, who originally committed to Eastern back in October, comes from duPont Manual High School in Louisville, Ky. McNair, who had 87 tackles in his senior season, helped the DuPont Manual team that finished sixth in the state of Kentucky in rushing defense.

Keiondre Gober, who comes from Friendship High School in Lubbock, Texas, will join the Panthers not only as a wide receiver, but will also look to assist the team as a punt returner or kick returner.

Gober also played defensive back on Brad Davis' Friendship team. He was

an All-District, All-City and All-South Plainses player

Also joining Gober from Friendship High School will be running back Bobby Huey. Huey recorded 1,640 rushing yards and 15 touchdowns in his senior year. Babers called Huey a bigger running back with excellent speed and hands.

"From the state of Texas, we had a running back, Bobby Huey," Babers said. "He's a bigger style back. 5-foot-11, 210 (pounds), we anticipate him being a 230-235 pound back that can go downhill for us. He has excellent speed, excellent hands."

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2012 EIU Signing Class

- Kendal Butler (Defensive Back) from Toledo, Ill.
- Micah "Pono" Choy (Defensive Back) from Honolulu, Haw.
- Keiondre Gondre (Wide Receiver) from Lubbock, Texas
- Bobby Huey (Running Back) from Lubbock, Ill.
- Evan Kanz (Offensive Line) from Luxemburg, Wis.
- Jimmy Lowery (Offensive Line) from Burr Ridge, Ill.
- Jake McNair (Linebacker) from Louisville, Ky.
- Ryan Meyer (Safety) from Evergreen Park, Ill.
- Tyler Paulsen (Defensive End) from Austin, Texas
- Anthony Taylor (Wide Receiver) from Wheaton, Ill.

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

'Lethargic' start doesn't bite team

By **Alex McNamee**
Staff Reporter

Eastern's players couldn't get the easy win against Southeast Missouri back on Jan. 14 out of their heads in time to start Wednesday's rematch off positively.

They were expecting the same Redhawks' team they beat handily, 73-46, in the previous match-up, despite the head coach Brady Sallee's best efforts this week to convince his team to forget that game.

Junior forward Sydney Mitchell readily admitted after the game the Panthers weren't prepared for the aggressiveness from the Redhawks. Even so, the Panthers ended up leaving Lantz Arena Wednesday night with a winning score similar to the first, 74-48.

Junior guard Ta'Kenya Nixon said there was a definite difference in the offense the team played in the first 15 minutes of the game compared to the way they usually play.

"We were trying to win the game in the first four minutes," Nixon said. "In the locker room at half time we looked ourselves in the mirror and asked, 'Is this really who we are — playing lethargic and not really playing our hardest?'"

The Panthers trailed 21-19 with 7:29 to go in the first half, with the Redhawks shooting 75 percent from the field compared to 35 percent for the Panthers. After that mark in the game, the Panthers went on a 15-2 run to go into the locker room with a lead, 34-24.

But having the lead didn't feel like it usually does in the halftime locker room. The mirror Nixon said she was looking in may have been broken. Finding out what happened in the halftime locker room depended on who was responding to the postgame question.

"All I can say is (Sallee) told us about ourselves. That's all I can say," Mitchell said.

Sallee had a different view of what happened.

"Cookies. Milk. We had some kumbayas, a couple sing-a-longs, and a little dance party. I think they were motivated by that. We'll leave it at that," Sallee said.

Sallee said he tried to keep his cool throughout the game because he had been preaching to the team about how winning is a process. That's why he decided not to rip into them after a "loosey-goosey" shoot around in the pregame.

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Junior Courtney Shiffer, forward/center for Southeast Missouri, fails to block a shot by senior forward Chantelle Pressley Wednesday during the Panthers' win over SEMO in Lantz Arena.

MEN'S BASKETBALL

Panthers trying for 6-game snap

Team has been on losing streak since playing SEMO

By **Rob Mortell**
Staff Reporter

Eastern's men's basketball team will do whatever it takes to end its six-game losing streak against Eastern Kentucky.

The Panthers are currently on a six-game losing streak that started on Jan. 14 against Southeast Missouri State.

Head coach Mike Miller said this is a tough stretch of games for the Panthers.

Senior forward Xavier Sanders agreed.

"It definitely is difficult losing," Sanders said. "All we can do is try to keep working harder and get through this. All we can do is work our best, but it is tough having a stretch like this. Just gotta keep our head up and keep fighting."

Beating Eastern Kentucky has been a tall order over the last few years. The Colonels are 12-3 over the teams last 15 meetings, including a sweep in last seasons series. Before this recent stretch, Eastern held a 10-6 advantage in the series that now stands at 18-13 in favor of Eastern Kentucky.

Eastern Kentucky heads into the game with a 12-11 overall record and a 5-5 record in the Ohio Valley Conference, while Eastern enters the game with a 9-12 overall record and a 2-7 record in the OVC.

The Colonels are led by senior guard Jaron Jones. The 6-foot-6-inch guard is one of the biggest surprises in the OVC this season. Jones is averaging a team-high 17.0 points per game on 57 percent shooting from the field. He also averages 3.8 rebounds and 1.4 steals per game.

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Fresh ideas! Fresh Perspectives! Fresh Voices!

NABJ president speaks to journalists

By Lauren Thomas
Staff Reporter

The staff of Fresh newspaper receives a special visit from Gregory Lee Jr., president of the National Association of Black Journalists on Feb. 9, 2012.

Lee will be talking to the staff about his experiences as a college student and how he got to where he is today.

"I love going back to the classroom to share my knowledge," he said.

Lee first became involved with NABJ in 1996, when he started a student chapter of the organization at Xavier University where he attended college. "Ever since then I have accepted the call of service to do my part to help NABJ succeed," he said.

He has held multiple positions within the organization, including secretary and treasurer, prior to being elected president. He has also served on several NABJ committees, including the Young Journalists Task Force and the Convention and Finance Committee.

Lee was elected the 19th president of NABJ last August. At age 37, he is currently the youngest member ever to hold the position.

"I thought it was time for someone to take NABJ into the next stage of its journey in

becoming a well-oiled business machine that will provide quality real-time training year-round and being stronger advocates in this ever-changing industry," he said.

Along with his position as NABJ president, Lee is currently the senior assistant sports editor of the Boston Globe, a position he has held since 2008.

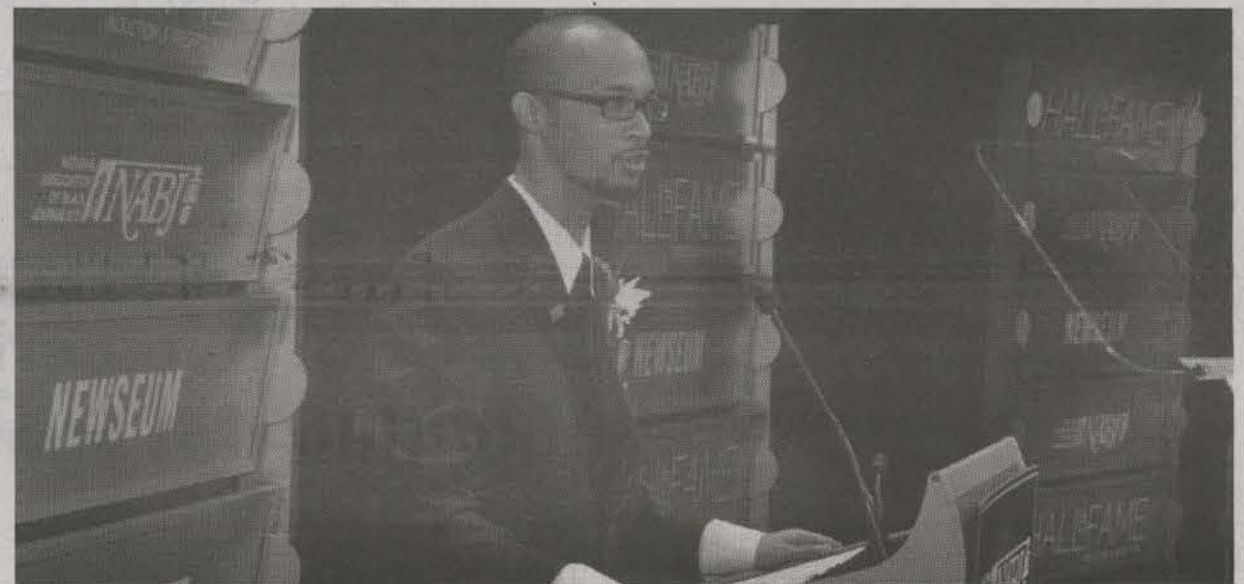
The NABJ was founded in 1975, in Washington, D.C. by 44 African-American journalists as a way to promote diversity in newsroom and gain fair representation for journalists of color. The organization's stated purpose is to provide quality programs and services to advocates on behalf of black journalists nationwide. It is currently the largest organization for minority journalists in the country. NABJ's mission includes strengthening ties among black journalists, encouraging black journalists to become entrepreneurs and sensitizing all media to the importance of fairness in the workplace for black journalists.

Lee will be visiting Eastern on Thursday, Feb. 9. He said he has plans to visit other minority student run publications, including a trip to Grambling State University this spring.

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Greg Lee, Charles McGee, Cuban Gooding Jr. and Maurice at the NABJ reception to promote the Red Tails Documentary. (Courtesy of Greg Lee)



Greg Lee, president of NABJ giving a speech at the NABJ hall of fame. (Courtesy of Greg Lee)

A fraternity that serves good purpose

By Jeremy Nowell
Staff Reporter

Alpha Phi Omega National Co-Ed Service Fraternity (APO) revolves around developing leadership, promoting friendship and providing service to humanity.

Kendall Jackson, the president of APO said the organization was founded on December 16, 1925, at Lafayette College in Easton, Pennsylvania. The organization was founded by Frank Horton and 13 other former boy scouts students.

"I decided to get involved in this frat because their organization is set out to help others," Jackson said. "Helping others is something that I'm really compassionate about."

Jackson said his initial reason for joining has also become the most rewarding aspect of being in the fraternity.

Kinyeta Porter, vice president of APO also said that community service was the most rewarding aspect of being in the fraternity. However, she also believes that the bonds built while doing the community service is just as rewarding.

"We stand for friendship and service," Porter said.

Some of the services APO participates in include campus/community cleaning and voter registration outreach sign up days.

Recently, APO held its Rush Week, which is a week that sees the fraternity host several events that include informational meetings and bonding opportunities for people interested in joining APO.

Keaira Williams, a freshman sociology major, attended the "Active Duty" informational Sunday and said she liked how welcoming the fraternity was.

"I came because I wanted to know about the organization and how it could benefit me," Williams said. "I liked the goals the fraternity set out to accomplish."

Jackson said that the turn out for APO's rush week was wonderful. Jackson said there is always room for growth.

"I wish we had shirts and more attendance," Jackson said. "But all of those things will come in due time."

Jackson hopes that in the future



Members of Alpha Phi Omega attend a BBQ Alpha Phi Omega at a BBQ at Eastern.

APO will be able to do more service projects and gain more respect on campus.

"That would be a great accomplishment," Jackson said.

"To know we have support from everyone because we were once and maybe still looked down upon."

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Breaking the chains of self-discrimination

Timothy Bell
Staff Reporter

Many African-Americans believe that being racially discriminated against is the major cause of their struggles in America. No. It's the self-discrimination within the African-American culture being the cause of struggle.

African-Americans form groups to keep themselves separated from other people whom they fill intimidated by or think may take their shine. So many African-Americans judge each other by what clothes they wear, the shoes they own, and the way they look out in public. When some African-Americans judge others based off personality or intelligence it is seldom in a positive way.

Brandal Miles, a junior kinesiology major here at the Eastern Illinois University said, "I believe that it is a mixture of both. I still receive looks of astonishment from my white classmates, as if I'm not supposed to be here. But on the flip side blacks as a race can keep each other down as well," he said. "We judge, and form cliques to make others feel like outcast because they don't have the latest apparel. We judge and label people "lame" when a brave individual of our race steps out of the cultural norms and does something new."

He also added, "It's sad because we spend so much time criticizing our own people, while everyone else is also criticizing us and putting us last," Miles said. "There really is no need for racial discrimination because we'll do it to ourselves. While we're busy watching who does what and being petty, other races are sitting back and watching us destroying each other mentally, physically, and emotionally?"

"I believe that we have a bigger issue with self-discrimination." Jandi Warren, a freshman undecided major, said. "That's because as a race, we are liable and known to harm our own people," she said. "When other people are racist towards us, who could we turn to when we discriminate and have hatred towards our own people? There will be no brotherhood or sisterhood. If we were more united as one, instead of separated, we would be strong and more supportive to our people."

It's time for changes if you see someone struggling, do not make it even harder on them try to help them. Just imagine if you were that person struggling wouldn't you want someone to help you? Remember that old song called *Lean On Me*? Well it is time for us all to become that person who people can lean on when in need.

Lets break this chain of self-discrimination that is holding us down; all it takes is all of us to do our part!

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Dana Jackson
Editor-in-chief

Mark Twain said it best "whenever you find yourself on the side of the majority, it is time to pause and reflect."

When someone is categorized as being included within the majority, do not be so quick to run with it. Being labeled as the majority does not specifically mean that you are above someone else. It also does not mean that the people within the minority should yield to that particular group either.

Everyone wants to feel comfortable and be within the majority, but lacking the understanding of what their purpose should be as an individual, which is to use the open-mind when dealing with the irate issues regarding racial segregation.

This is when the word majority sparks a positive image, which is when the power of numbers is used to accomplish great things within society.

The Daily Eastern News published a column in the newspaper about a week ago titled "Half a century after King's dream, we self-segregate."

In the column, the writer talks about how Martin Luther King Jr. Day really opened her mind about how far we have progressed in regard to race in the U.S., but we have not come as far as we think.

She went on to talk about the self-segregation, which is seen in the classrooms where African-American students seem to isolate themselves from the majority. She wrote "when I look around my class, I see some minorities mixed in with the majority race, sitting just anywhere in the classroom. However, some minority students just cling together in an isolated corner."

We as African-Americans or any race for that matter cling to people that we feel comfortable around. Now, that is not to say just because someone sits with their own race they are prejudice, only comfortable.

Isolation is upsetting; it can become a problem when we as people cannot branch out of our comfort zones in a place of knowledge production that offers a level of integration on campus.

Instead our actions as a whole contradict the idea of diversifying Eastern, not just because of the minorities selecting to sit with only

people of their race but because there is a "majority." According to the Eastern Illinois University profile the student population is 11,690 as of now 11 percent of the student population is African American and 78 percent are Caucasian.

We talk about African-Americans self-segregating themselves and not mingling with others, but as the majority (the same thing applies.)

Because of our lack of persistence in creating new solutions to solve issues to take the place of the ones that do not succeed. The Caucasians and African-Americans or all people for that matter encounter failure when dealing with the integration of race.

While people within the majority say, African-Americans isolate themselves from the majority; this society has been structure to silence the minorities, and keep them at a stagnant level in society segregated from jobs, education and any attainable resources.

Even though that is not an excuse to stop minorities entirely from mobilizing in society it does makes it a bit harder for minorities

to progress in the world.

What we see in our classrooms is a reflection of our society. In all actuality the "minorities" are not self-segregating critically speaking the "majority" is, because as a majority they have an obligation to do the right thing, especially when they are larger in number.

We as people need to stop living in a world of binaries that validate our lives as people such as "good" vs. "evil," "majority" vs. "minority" and as individuals do our part, and stop letting others have an influence on our minds.

Just ask yourself if you are categorized within the majority are you making the right decisions in life, not just to "keep safe" and be comfortable. Also as a minority ask yourself the same question.

Self-segregation has no face, and we as people need to remember that learning something and going along with it, is not right, but when someone can critically be able to think for themselves and work proactively to make a difference, no matter what race that person is they are the "superior one."

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Stop Bullying: Two verbs that need to work together not against each other

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Senior Reporter

Could you imagine a world in which you sit at your computer, a click away from opening up a social network, and find nothing but laughter, excitement and maybe some important information that could help benefit you? If you could have no enemies, and there is no "subtweeting" or "status update" about you, your business, or lies and rumors that cause you to second-guess your worth. The generation we live in doesn't depict this picture. In fact things are the exact opposite.

You would think that as you get older, everyone matures and bullying would not be as prevalent as it is today. There are several different types of bullying: cyber bullying, the bullying in schools as well as other forms of harassment. One of the most prevalent forms of bullying is known as cyber bullying.

According to Bullying Statistics 2011, Cyber bullying refers to Internet bullying. It is a form of teen violence that can do lasting harm to young people. Bullying statistics show

that cyber bullying is a serious problem among teens. The Internet is so commonly used amongst teenagers, that over half of adolescents and teens have been bullied online, and about the same number have engaged in cyber bullying.

Also, more than 1-in-3 young people have experienced cyber-threats online. Cyber bullying has become so common that more than half of the younger population do not tell their parents when cyber bullying occurs.

I believe that any form of bullying can have a huge impact on an individual. The fact that people can take time out of their day to participate in acts of negativity against another person is morally wrong.

Bully Statistics 2011, says that teens who experience bullying are often subject to physical, mental, and emotional problems. This issue is very important. People should pay closer attention to their children and their voices should be valued and not ignored, because no one knows how a child may react to the exposure of being bullied.

First of all, there are the

obvious physical problems and injuries that can result from physical bullying. However, bullying affects teens in other ways. These activities can lead to stunted social development, drug use, depression and suicide. These are problems that people are faced with everyday. It can affect a person well into adulthood.

Another problem can be that of retaliation. In some cases, bullied teens have violent fantasies of attacking or seeking revenge. As a human being, I am fully aware of the issues and problems teens face day-to-day. Bullying takes away someone's joy of living. It makes them question things that have never been questioned before. I, however, believe these situations are enough cushion to promote bullying.

I also strongly believe that the biggest part is educating the public. The perception of bullying has changed over time, and has become a major issue amongst youth. Although, a bullying policy can touch organizations such as schools, it is harder to reach families. People, who come from families in which bullying

is acceptable, have been exposed to behavior models that are not considered acceptable today.

These people need new behavior patterns to break old habits. Educating them on how to act on thoughts and feelings may help reduce the amount of bullying situations. Community education also falls into play. It is difficult and takes time. Many people feel that what happens behind closed doors is their business and is private and resent and reject suggestions for change. But, if dad bullies mom, or vice versa, and the children take this behavior as a model, what is behind closed doors can flow out into the community.

People should pay closer attention to their children and their voices should be valued and not ignored, because no one knows how a child may react to the exposure of being bullied. By being more aware of cyber bullying, teens and adults can help to fight it. feel this is an issue that needs to be talked about more in the schools especially with the extent of which the media influences everything around us.

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"EDUCATING A NEW GENERATION"

TUESDAY, JAN. 31ST
KAP: "Keeping it 100"
Physical Science Building, Rm. 1205 | 7:11pm

WEDNESDAY, FEB. 1ST
"Making of a Slave:
Reading of Willie Lynch Letters"
Strong M.E.N.toring
Physical Science Building, Rm. 1205 | 6pm

THURSDAY, FEB. 2ND
Z&B: "Did you Know?"
Coleman Auditorium, Rm. 1255 | 7pm

FRIDAY, FEB. 3RD
Old School Movie Night: "The Wiz"
Lumpkin Auditorium, Rm. 2039 | 6pm - 8pm

MONDAY, FEB. 6TH
The Global African Presence
Speaker: Ranako Rashidi
Grand Ballroom | 7pm

TUESDAY, FEB. 7TH
"Our Black Year"
Journalism Department
University Ballroom | 5pm - 6pm
6:30pm (Book Signing)

Comedian Arvin Mitchell
Sponsored by UB
Grand Ballroom | 8pm | Free Admission

WEDNESDAY, FEB. 8TH
ΔΣΘ: AIDS Testing
Arcola/Tuscola Room | 9am - 4pm

ΔΣΘ: Do You Know Your
2012 Candidates?
Coleman Auditorium, Rm. 1255 | 7:13pm

THURSDAY, FEB. 9TH
Blackademically Speaking
Speaker: Dr. Chandra Gill
University Ballroom | 7:30pm - 9pm

FRIDAY, FEB. 10TH
EiUnity Diversity Conference
University Union | 9am - 5pm

UB Movie Night: "The Help"
Buzard Auditorium | 7pm

SATURDAY, FEB. 11TH
UB Movie Night: "The Help"
Buzard Auditorium | 7pm

SUNDAY, FEB. 12TH
EIT: Food For Soul
(Dinner and Forum)
Cultural Center | 7:22pm - 10pm

WEDNESDAY, FEB. 15TH
"Culture is the New Crack:
Night with SpeakEasy"
7th Street Underground | 7pm - 9pm

SUNDAY, FEB. 19TH
Sista's in Shape
Lumpkin Auditorium, Rm. 2039 | 5pm

MONDAY, FEB. 20TH
"Not a Genuine Black Man"
Strong M.E.N.toring
Physical Science Building, Rm. 1205 | 6pm

WEDNESDAY, FEB. 22ND
Black Movement:
African Dance and Slide Workshop
University Ballroom | 7pm - 9pm

THURSDAY, FEB. 23RD
ASA's "Speak to Your Brother/Sister"
Coleman Auditorium, Rm. 1255 | 7pm

FRIDAY, FEB. 24TH
Old School Movie Night: "Boomerang"
Coleman Auditorium, Rm. 1255 | 6pm - 8pm

SATURDAY, FEB. 25TH
2012 MISS BLACK EIU PAGEANT
Presented By BSU
Grand Ballroom | 6pm

SUNDAY, FEB. 26TH
"Teach My Children to Praise"
Unity Gospel Choir
University Ballroom | 7pm

MONDAY, FEB. 27TH
"Post Traumatic Slave Syndrome"
Dr. Joy DeGruy
Coleman Auditorium, Rm. 1255
5pm - 6:30pm

WEDNESDAY, FEB. 29TH
Harlem Night: Then and Now
(Lip Sync Show)
Grand Ballroom | 7pm - 9pm

THURSDAY, MAR. 1ST
Gullah Storyteller: Aunt Pearl Sue
7th Street Underground | 7pm

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Column

Black History Month: West vs. Midwest

By Chantrell Nealon
Staff Reporter

Growing up in Los Angeles, CA, I remember Black History Month always being a highly celebrated event. The faces of famous historical black figures graced t-shirts and car flags, while billboards were sold on just about every corner. In school, we wrote reports about these figures, drew portraits of them, and learned about the beautiful history of blacks in this country so intensely I, too, believed that I could change the world with one dream, despite the color of my skin or the content of my character.

Moving to Central Illinois, however, showed me a completely different dynamic. If it weren't for the BET commercials highlighting different aspects of African-American history, it would have been March before I realized that Black History Month had passed me by.

Maybe it's just me, or the town I currently reside in, but as I get older I start to notice how black history, or the history of any culture for that matter, starts to become less and less important and the "American culture" becomes the culture that is to remain

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most prominent.

This Is America after all. But does that make it okay for us to disregard who we are and the history that brought us to this point?

During President Barack Obama's Presidential Proclamation of National African-American History Month last year, he described the many hardships and triumphs blacks in this country have endured. From Jim Crow segregation laws, bigotry, violence, to organized schools, churches, and neighborhood organizations.

"Bolstered by strong values of faith and community," said President Obama, "black men and women have launched businesses, fueled scientific advances, served our Nation in the Armed Forces, sought public office, taught

our children, and created groundbreaking works of art and entertainment."

He left out, however, one of our most important accomplishments: We have a black President! How cool is that!?

As you see, we have lots to be proud of. We don't need a single month to take the time out to acknowledge black history. It needs to be acknowledged every day. In the ways we treat each other and in our goals to be successful. Embrace it, love it, spread it.

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Bully, Cont.

It is very difficult to address teen bullying. However, there are some things that can help discourage bullying situations. A "Stop Cyber Bullying" article talks about different ways in which cyber bullying has impacted society through the media. In order to prevent any form of bullying from happening, I think the issue should be talked about in all levels of education.

Believe it or not, cyber bullying occurs on college campuses. Some ways to prevent an event could be to provide a bully policy, consequences for bullies, and continue to push the issue of educating people in society.

The bully policy should be a clear definition of bullying and a policy that prohibits it and lays out the consequences against this problem. When bullying is clearly defined, then it can be more easily recognized and separated from constructive criticism, discipline, and motivation to continue any negative acts. Any act of bullying should result in some severe consequences. Notifying teens that there are repercussions, they will second-guess their act of bullying.

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Bullying Statistics

18.5 percent were bullied at least once or twice in college by another student

18.7 percent report having bullied another college student at least once

27.5 percent reported seeing one college student bullied by another at least once or twice

45 percent reported having seen other students bullied by a teacher at least once or twice

Love your individual style



Angelica Moore, staff reporter

Each individual defines fashion. It's not a set of rules you must follow or an exact way you must look. It's a definition that will never stay the same. Many young girls and women in particular become pressured to look and dress a certain way because of the images they see in the media.

Wenyell McCray, junior family and consumer science major gave her opinion on the pressures that the fashion industry puts on females to look and dress a certain way.

"When you look into a magazine you don't see a lot of plus size models, it's like they put pressure on females to be a size six and below," McCray said.

McCray explained that when

plus size models are featured in magazines and media it seems like a joke.

"I feel like when it comes to plus size, no one takes a plus size model serious because of all the different videos they put them in to look funny or put them in a certain show, it's such a comedy thing instead of a real issue," McCray said.

McCray also gave advice to women to encourage them to resist the pressures of the media to look a certain way.

"In order for someone to love you, you have to love yourself. Confidence is not easy you do have to work on it, you have to love yourself and know you are beautiful no matter what," McCray said.

Fashion is a personality it's the way you think and feel it's the way you describe yourself it's personal said McCray. She also gave a description of her personal style and what keeps her confident.

McCray described her personal style as comfortable but standing out in a way.

"What keeps me confident is knowing that so many plus size women on EIU campus look up to me," McCray said.

McCray went on to say that she stays confident because

she feels that she is making a difference by being a role model to plus size women.

Aseret Gonzalez, senior sociology major said she definitely thinks there is pressure from the fashion industry.

"I think for each season if you don't follow that kind of guideline of the certain colors, girls or women in general kind of feel as if they are not keeping up with time."

Gonzalez expressed her feelings to women in order to stay confident.

"I think the best thing is when you know when you found like the perfect pants and they make you feel good, you need to wear them not to follow the super skinny jeans, I mean if they don't fit the way you want your body to look then don't wear them, you don't have to follow that trend," said Gonzalez.

Gonzalez went on saying that she is still into the flared jeans; so no matter what she is going to wear them.

"You just have to look confident and don't let anybody make you feel like you have to change for them and let society change you, if you feel really confident in something than do it," said Gonzalez.

Gonzalez's personal style is,

trying to keep a classy look but adding a little "spunk" to it.

"I love blazers, I always feel like no matter what, if I have on jeans or business pants on, a blazer always adds that classy touch to it," said Gonzalez.

Gonzalez gave her advice to women that may seem pressured to look or dress a certain way because of the media.

"I think people should not take so much time looking at beauty magazines or the media to influence their decisions on how they should look. Yea, they're fun to read but never try to compare yourself to that. Surround yourself around people you feel comfortable with rather than trying to compare yourself," said Gonzalez.

Don't fit the fashion industry



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make it fit you.

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Chicken and spinach with an egg on top

By: Dana Jackson

Ingredients:

- Olive oil
- 1 Package of chicken wings or drumsticks whatever preferred
- Mixed vegetables
- 1 egg
- Spinach
- Chicken tenderizer
- Chicken seasoning
- Seasoning salt
- Spinach seasoning
- Butter

Directions:

1. Heat conventional oven to 350 degrees.
2. Clean chicken well.
3. Then season chicken.
4. Put aluminum foil in deep pan then add seasoned chicken into pan.
5. Cook chicken for about 45 minutes to an hour.
6. Then boil a pot of water for 5 minutes.
7. Add butter and spinach seasoning.
8. Then cook for 10-15 minutes until soft.
9. In another pot add butter then the mixed vegetables cook until tender.
10. Then pour 2-3 cups of water into another pot, boil one egg for about 10 minutes
11. Serve as your desire

Budget \$25

Cooking for campus

A dinner prepared with chicken, spinach and an egg.



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