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'BLUES MAN' JOE

Musician Joe McLean brings his talent to Jackson Avenue Coffee and provides entertainment for many genres.

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HOT FROM THE LINE

The Eastern women's basketball team made 28 out of 33 free throws in Monday night's win against Murray State.

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"TELL THE TRUTH AND DON'T BE AFRAID"

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Jasmine Thomas, a freshman political science major, and Ivory Parker, a freshman Spanish major, hold their candles as they march to the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union Monday during the Martin Luther King Jr. vigil.

Eastern to get naked for cause

Staff Report

Eastern students and Charleston community members will be running a mile from the north entrance of the Carman parking lot, stripped down skivvies, in Eastern's first Nearly Naked Mile run at 10 a.m. on Saturday.

Throughout the race, runners will shed their winter clothes in boxes for hats, gloves, coats, shirts, pants and running shoes along the route.

Erin Clemons, assistant director for Alumni Services said in a press release that bathing suit areas must be covered. Participants can also wear costumes.

They are expected to bring clothing to donate. The donations will be given to Standing Stone Community Center, Charleston Food Pantry and Nike Reuse-a-Shoe.

Tuesday is the last day to pre-register for the run for \$10. Potential nearly naked runners will still be able to register at the race at 9 a.m. for \$15. To be guaranteed a long-sleeve race T-shirt in their size, runners need to sign up by Thursday or by emailing Clemons.

SAVE THE DATE

What: Nearly Naked Mile
Where: Carman Hall parking lot
When: Saturday Jan. 25
10 a.m.

*Participants are expected to donate clothing. "Bathing suit areas" must be covered.

Vigil commemorates MLK Jr.'s life

By Bob Galuski
Managing Editor | @BobGaluski

Illuminated by a wax candle wedged into a paper cup, Ronisha Frazier marched through campus Monday, just one of nearly 50 other members of the campus community.

Lyrics to the song "We Shall

Overcome," laughter and high spirits filled the night air as Frazier, a senior family and consumer sciences major, joined others to commemorate the life of Martin Luther King Jr.

The candlelit vigil sent

students and faculty members walking from Thomas Hall to the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union Monday in remembrance of King.

Frazier said one of the main reasons she decided to march was be-

cause it was a good way to honor King's life.

"I always want to make sure people know why he fought for us," she said. "I want to portray that out to this generation."

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Honors Housing to start in fall 2014

Location of housing will be in the south tower of Thomas Hall

By Jack Cruikshank
Administration Editor | @DEN_News

The Honors College, in conjunction with the Housing and Dining Services, is transforming two floors for honors housing in Thomas Hall starting in the fall.

Previously, honors housing has been an option for students when signing the housing contract; however, there were no true honors floors, only "quiet lifestyle" floors.

These honors floors, which will house only honors students, as well as having honors resident assistants, will be located in the third and fourth floors of the south tower of

Thomas Hall.

Mark Hudson, director of Housing and Dining, said he expects the new honors floors will help honors students form a group and foster an atmosphere of academic excellence.

"Honors students already have a number of classes together, so by having a shared living environment,

connect (with floormates) if you wish to, but there is still an opportunity for some separation. For those to whom it appeals, (living on a floor with others) adds an additional social connection with students who have a lot in common," Hudson said.

For Lenora Breeden, a freshman

oriented students occupying the same floor, as well as, maybe keeping things a bit more peaceful," Breeden said.

Breeden said she plans to move into the honors floor, and hopes she will be able to bond with others who have "academic similarities."

"I plan to move into the hon-

ors floor in Thomas next year, with hopes that I can be around more honors people and maybe get better sleep," Breeden said.

Hudson said he feels the addition of honors housing will also assist in the recruiting honors students.

"We have had good participation

with past honors living environments, and I believe this one will be even more successful, as it is a more full partnership with the honors college, which will enrich the experience," Hudson said.

Hudson said tentative plans exist to renovate Pemberton Hall and form an honors living experience in the hall, but that it is "several years off."

"Honors students already have a number of classes together, so by having a shared living environment, it allows them to more easily connect."

Mark Hudson, director of Housing & Dining

allows them to more easily connect," said Hudson.

Hudson said by living on a floor together, students have the ability to form strong bonds, which can carry over to classroom situations.

"Living on a floor allows you to

honors student and communication studies major, the idea of honors housing provides a new opportunity to bond with other similar students.

"I think it will bring the honors students closer together, and it would be nice having more study-

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Sing your heart out



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Visting singer Charlotte Martin, performs an original song Friday in the Black Box Theater of the Doudna Fine Arts Center. Martin grew up in Charleston.

Council to vote on marijuana moratorium

By Michael Spencer
City Editor | @tmskeeper

The Charleston City Council will review an ordinance Tuesday to establish a one-year moratorium, prohibiting the use of medical marijuana dispensaries.

The Illinois state legislature's bill that legalized medical marijuana went into effect Jan. 1. However, it will not be available for sale until later in 2014 as state agencies work to establish rules and regulations.

Charleston Mayor Larry Rennels said the ordinance is to be reviewed by the council would stop applications from being submitted to the city until such regulations are made available by the state of Illinois,

which could not be until late-2014.

"The rules and regulations have not even been published by the state yet and until they're published we can't look to see if there are certain zoning districts that we're allowed to allow any in or prohibit it from or any of those kinds of things," Rennels said. "We need to see those rules and they may not even be out until the end of the year."

Rennels said he wants to make sure that dispensaries in Charleston are operated legally and he would have to wait until after the data was released to form an educated opinion on the topic.

Illinois is one of 11 states to legalize medicinal marijuana in the U.S., while Colorado and Washington

have legalized the recreational use of the substance. Federal laws on marijuana still make the use of the drug illegal.

The council will also examine a regulation, which will extend a contractual agreement between the city and Eastern for continued assistance with the Geographic Information System Support Services.

GIS is used for the mapping of subterranean infrastructure, something that is essential to city planning in the future.

Eastern reached out to the city in order to create such a relationship in order for students to train with GIS equipment in exchange for assisting the city in mapping its underground infrastructure.

"We also share some of the university's software as a part of this agreement," Rennels said. "It's a situation where we get a little assistance from the university and the university gets the opportunity to use the city for educational purposes."

The city will pay Eastern \$6,250 in two installments over the next year in exchange for the collaboration.

In addition, the council will also take a look at public employee health benefits and the release of closed session meeting minutes.

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'Blues Man Joe' performs at JAC

Local youth's art showcased

By Michael Spencer
City Editor | @tmskeeper

Eclectic artists took the stage in front of a full crowd at Jackson Avenue Coffee Saturday.

Joe McLean, also known as "Blues Man Joe," quickly abandoned his set list, opting for a Bob Dylan song he said he hadn't played in more than a year.

"Every time I do it, I say I'm going to use a set list," McLean said.

McLean made small talk with his audience between songs before closing his eyes and letting his notes mingle with the drafty air in the JAC's dimly lit backroom. No space was empty as McLean took the crowd on a tour of blues, jazz and rock.

McLean is frequently promoted under the moniker "Blues Man Joe." It is a name he says is not necessarily indicative of the music he plays.

"I'm just Joe McLean, all things to all people," McLean said with a pause and a laugh. "I'm not 'Blues Man.' It sort of inspires me though. That name gets out there and I think 'I need to practice more.'"

McLean admits the blues were a big part of his development as a musician.

"I love the blues; it was a big part of my early influence," he said.

That influence manifested itself on stage Saturday as McLean played a mash-up of Stevie Ray Vaughan, Bob Dylan, Bob Marley, the Beatles and the Rolling Stones. He also played a handful of folk songs, which had been recorded and re-recorded by a whole host of famous artists, but whose origins were unclear.

An hour into his show, he brought up several of his friends to play with him, something he said he prefers to



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Customers at Jackson Avenue Coffee and friends of musician Joe McLean, perform on stage Saturday at the JAC.

solo work.

"I prefer in a group," McLean said. "That connection when you're playing with another person, it's sort of those interactions that you have with people that make life meaningful."

Before McLean took the stage, the JAC hosted a "Meet the Artist" session with local youth Ella Rose Wettig, 14.

McLean spent time promoting Ella Rose before and during his performance because the opportunity to foster young talent is something he said is a unique opportunity.

"I'm just impressed with somebody that age that seems so dedicated and knowing what they want to do and so inspired to do it," McLean said.

Ella Rose featured art from her entire collection, which focuses primarily on portraits including an element of abstract art.

"I really enjoy the structure of the human body, especially the face and bones that kind of pop out like the collar," Ella Rose said, gesturing to a photo next to her on the wall. "I just think it's really

interesting how each person is shaped and structured completely different."

She hopes to attend art school after she graduates high school and make a living as an artist.

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CGS to vote on Health Studies graduate degree

By Jack Cruikshank
Administration Editor | @DEN_News

The Council on Graduate Studies will hear a proposal for a new master's degree, Health Promotion and Leadership, at the meeting at 2 p.m. Tuesday in Blair Hall, Room 3108.

This will be the first time the council will meet this semester.

According to the program proposal, the new degree is necessary because of a predicted 37 percent growth in the field of health studies from 2010 to 2020.

According to the program proposal, "The mission of the department of Health Studies Graduate Program in Health Promotion and Leadership is to prepare leaders in the field of health practice."

The Health Studies department, as well as the college curriculum committee, has already approved the proposal.

In order for it to be completely approved for its tentative start date of Fall 2014, the Illinois State Board of Education will have to approve the final details.

In addition, the CGS will vote on

12 new history courses.

In addition to the approval of the new program and courses, Mahyar Izadi, the dean of the Lumpkin College of Business & Applied Sciences, has requested CGS executive action in order to remove two courses, FCS 5302, Family Budgeting and Debt Management, and TEC 5090A, Seminar in Occupational Education I, from the graduate catalog.

In an email, Izadi said the FCS 5302 course will not be needed, as all the Family and Consumer Sciences courses are being "adjusted."

Izadi also said the TEC 5090A course is no longer needed.

According to the request, "This (TEC 5090A) course has become obsolete, and it is requested to remove the course from the catalog. We will continue to incrementally remove and revise courses that are not current with technological developments or terminology."

The council will also vote on a request from Bob Augustine, the dean of the Graduate School, to revise requirements defining how many credit hours can be accrued

per hours of internship work.

For undergraduate work, 40 hours of work are required to equal one credit hour, whereas the current rule for graduate internship requires "30 to 40."

This proposal would change the requirement for graduate internships to 37.5 hours of work in order for the week to be counted as a credit hour of work.

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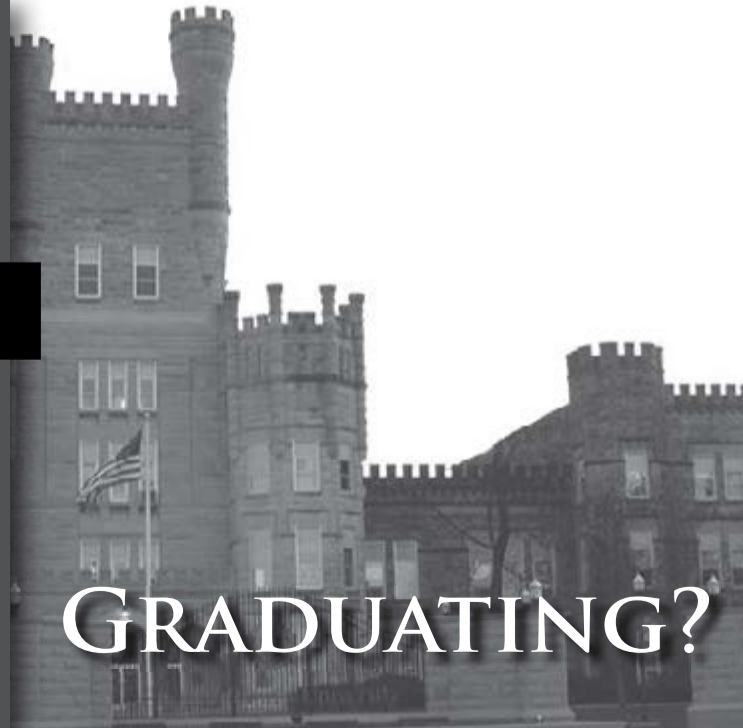
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STAFF EDITORIAL

Spring Panther Palooza has room for improvement

Last week's Panther Palooza event, put on by Student Government, went smoothly, but the spring edition of the campus RSO fair is met with several issues that could be improved for upcoming semesters to come.

When the time comes for the fall semester Panther Palooza event, tables and chairs are set up for RSOs in the middle of the south quad, allowing virtually all students walking

through campus to notice the event. When the event takes place in the spring semester, weather conditions move it indoors, which understandably allows for less options.

The location of the Grand Ballroom in the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union is too out of the way for passing students to walk through, unlike the south quad in the fall semester. Less students will be near the

Grand Ballroom in passing, which results in less curious attendees checking out groups.

Another problem with the event comes not from organizers, but from RSOs and Greek organizations themselves, often doing more standing around in front of their own booth, than actually advertising. This results in an intimidating atmosphere for students. The event has its benefits and is greatly useful for

students and RSOs alike, but compared to the fall semester event, the spring semester event has room for improvement.

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Today's quote:

Darkness cannot drive out darkness; only light can do that. Hate cannot drive out hate; only love can do that.

- Martin Luther King, Jr.

Racism is timeless issue, not to be ignored

Decades have passed since Martin Luther King Jr.'s "I Have A Dream" speech, but have we really come as far as King had hoped?

Equality seems more like a rarity than something that should be expected.

With Megyn Kelly from Fox News claiming Jesus was Caucasian and Phil Robertson from "Duck Dynasty" claiming that African-Americans in the south were happy when the Jim Crow laws were in effect, it is hard to believe that America has come very far since the civil rights movement in the 1950s and 1960s.

Racism is still a prominent issue in our country, but racist people might just be a dying species.

When a group's ideals are threatened by society, they might lash out and attempt to cause an even bigger problem in order to get their opinion across.

This is true no matter what the group's beliefs are - think about the 1968 Democratic Convention riots or even the Ku Klux Klan's marches.

Maybe there are not more racist people in the country, but maybe those who are racist have learned how to take more extreme measures to assert their perceived dominance over other races.



Liz Purcell

Most of these racial comments are based a whole lot of ignorance and no factual evidence.

Come on, Jesus was white? I think these comments are intended to create a "shock" effect, which is the cheapest method to get people's attention.

Anyone can shock someone, but it takes intelligence to use logic and facts to sway an audience.

Besides, shock fades rather quickly and people generally just forget about it.

Anyone who has watched PETA's animal violence video can attest to that.

But the real issue is not with TV show characters or bad news anchors. The issue is only real when we can see it in the people around us.

While Charleston is not the ideal town for racial liberalism and acceptance, the change must be evaluated based on how we

treat each other.

I personally have not heard many students say anything particularly racist on campus, but the ones who do are usually the ones getting defensive and throwing cheap shots to get a reaction out of people.

This is equally fulfilling and depressing. While most students are accepting of different races, there are still those who attempt to keep the dying species of racists alive.

In response to the "I Have A Dream" speech, I think we have come a long way, but we certainly have a long way to go.

Racist people's only chance for survival is to cause a scene and attempt to bring certain groups down.

Without logic, facts or supporters, it does not leave them much room to do anything else.

It may give a peace of mind to know that racists are fading away, but there is still a chance that they are gaining supporters.

All we can do is defend and accept everyone around us and know that those who are ignorant to race simply do not matter.

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Frazier added she thought the world might not be the way it is now if not for King.

Monday's candlelit march was the 27th march hosted by members of the Alpha Phi Alpha fraternity.

The march between Thomas Hall and the Union represents the Civil Rights marches that took place in areas such as Birmingham, Ala.

For students like Angelica Brack, a junior recreation administration major, the vigil represented a community coming together.

"It's about unity," she said. "Everybody is supporting and celebrating his life, and giving back to the community."

Salonje Dorsey, a sophomore pre-nursing major, said it was her first time taking part in a celebratory vigil for King.

"I wanted to start being more involved on campus," she said.

She added she believed King is relevant in modern society, especially on Eastern's campus because of how multicultural the campus is.

Before the march began, students were encouraged to write down what their dreams were, under the banner "Dreams Never Fade."

Chris Colson, a first year graduate student in the counseling department, wrote down his dream: "To be able to get back to my community, and have a positive impact on everyone I come in contact with."

Latarius Ferguson, a senior marketing major, also wrote down a dream pertaining to his community – but decided to go further.

"To see the growth and development not only in the local community, but nation-wide," Ferguson inscribed.

Other dreams, like Reggie Williams', a senior athletic training major, revolved around relationships between people.

"That unity continues to grow and improve with time," he wrote down on the poster.

Cameron Douglas, the president of Alpha Phi Alpha, said this year's vigil went as smooth as could be.

"Weather was pretty nice," he said. "It wasn't that rough."

As smooth as things went, however, Douglas said one thing he would like to improve on for next year's vigil would be the marchers' participation in singing.

He said a few ideas included handing out pamphlets with the



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ABOVE: Reggie Williams, a senior athletic training major, and Chris Colson, a first year counseling graduate student, write their dreams on a poster board before the Martin Luther King Jr. vigil Monday in Thomas Hall. Students, faculty and community members marched from Thomas Hall to the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union.

RIGHT: An Eastern student relights another student's candle during the Martin Luther King Jr. vigil Monday outside the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union.



lyrics or tweaking the lyrics to be easier to understand.

Along with the march, Andrew Robinson, a communications professor, was honored with the Alpha Image Award – an award that has been given out since the start of the vigil marches.

Robinson said he was extreme-

ly honored, but added no award comes from a lone person.

"No award is achieved by an individual," he said. "For this there were plenty of people involved."

Robinson said he served to help others in the campus community.

The Alpha Image Award defines

leadership and community service, qualities Robinson said were fitting given the day.

"The key is love," he said. "And Martin Luther King Jr. is the greatest example. He loved people."

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An Eastern swim team member dives into the pool during a meet against Evansville on Nov. 11 at Padovan Pool.

Eastern men, women fall to Ball State

By **Dan Hildebrandt**
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The Eastern men's and women's swim teams both fell to Ball State to start off the 2014 portion of the season over the weekend in Muncie, Ind.

The men ended up losing by a score of 148-75 with a total of three event wins out of 13. Freshman Harris Thompson came up with two of those wins; he won the 1000-yard freestyle and the 500-yard freestyle. Senior Josh Miller came up with the third win for the men in the 200-yard

backstroke.

The women lost by a final score of 164-62, winning two events along the way. In the final event for the women, which was the 200-yard freestyle relay, the squad consisting of Katie Paige, Kaylee Morris, Caitlin Danforth and Joann Wakefield took home top honors, winning the race with a time of 1:40.53 seconds.

For the other team win, freshman Carolyn Belford came up with a victory in the 200-yard breaststroke.

Despite the losses, coach Elliot McGill thought the team had a good

overall performance. He said that areas the team has been working on showed up in the results.

"Despite some times that were not what we wanted, we performed very well," McGill said. "The skills we've worked on are much, much better."

This being the first meet of the 2014 part of the season, the team might have been a little rusty in the pool, but McGill said he does not want the team to make any excuses.

"The long lay-off might have [played a role in the outcomes]," McGill said. "It's still not an excuse and

we know that. We are better than the times we put up, and will definitely perform better going forward."

The Panther men's team now stands at 0-6 on the season, while the women are 1-6.

Consistent improvement throughout the season has been a point of strength for Eastern this season, McGill said.

"We swam faster than last year at this time, so I was fairly content with our times," McGill said.

The only thing Eastern can control at this point is how fast it can

swim for the rest of the season. Everything else will fall in place as long as the Panthers keep improving their times, as McGill said he wants to see the team put up better times in future meets.

"Just swim faster," he said. "Everything else is coming together. So for now, just swim faster."

Eastern gets back to competition again when it hosts Western Illinois at 6 p.m. Friday at Padovan Pool.

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Smith, Panthers best Governors at home

By **Anthony Catezone**
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Guard Reggie Smith scored 15 points in the Eastern men's basketball team's 67-64 win over Austin Peay Saturday at Lantz Arena.

Leading 65-64 with 16 seconds remaining, forward Sherman Blanford tipped in a missed shot by Luke Piotrowski off the backboard to give Eastern a three-point lead.

On the ensuing possession, Austin Peay's Damarius Smith missed a three pointer from the left baseline as time expired and the Governors dropped to 8-11 overall and 2-3 in Ohio Valley Conference action.

The Panthers improved to 3-4 in the OVC and 6-12 overall.

Smith was 6-of-10 from the field and shot 50 percent from 3-point range, including a 3-pointer with one minute left that gave Eastern a 65-61 lead.

Austin Peay's Travis Betran answered with a 3-pointer of his own with 45 second left to cut the Governor's deficit down to one, before the Governors missed their final shot attempt to tie the game. Austin Peay shot 21 percent from the 3-point line.

Smith added five assists and two steals in the win, as he scored 42 points in the Panthers' last two games, scoring a career-high 27 points in a 70-66 loss to Murray State Thursday.

Around the OVC

Southern Illinois-Edwardsville's Rozell Nunn and Christian Salecich

combined for 33 points, as the Cougars held Murray State to a season-low 60 points in a 67-60 win.

The Racers previously beat Eastern on Thursday 70-66 in Lantz Arena. Each team in the Ohio Valley Conference now has at least one loss, as Murray State, the last to remain unbeaten in conference play, fell to 5-1 with the loss.

Nunn led all scorers with a career-high 20 points on 8-of-12 shooting from the field. He also led the team with seven rebounds.

The junior has combined for 35 points on 14-of-23 shooting and hauled in 13 rebounds during Edwardsville's last two games.

Salecich finished with 13 points thanks in large part to a 3-of-3 afternoon from beyond 3-point range. He added four assists and three steals. Salecich's had a 3-pointer with 8:33 to play that put the Cougars in front for good at 54-53.

The Cougars shot 50 percent from the field while the Racers shot 39 percent, which included 4-of-21 from 3-point range.

Morehead State, one of the OVC's hottest teams, winning five of its last six games, improved to 4-1 in conference with an 82-75 win over Tennessee-Martin.

Junior guard Angelo Warner tied his career-high with 25 points on 8-of-12 shooting and 9-of-11 from the free throw line.

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The Illini beat the Chicago Jr. Bulldogs of the North American Tier III Hockey League by a score of 6-1 on Friday. Despite the loss, Gallagher said the team enjoyed the experience, especially being able to play in front of a large crowd.

"It was definitely a lot of fun playing in front of a big crowd like that," he said. "That may of been the last time we will ever play in front of a crowd like that, especially for us seniors graduating. When the crowd is against you, you just have to feed off that in a positive way, which I think we did a good job doing that."

The 10 goals in the win for Illinois

were the team's most since the Dec. 14 17-3 win over Northern Illinois.

Eastern will take on the Illinois Division II team on Tuesday Feb. 4 at the David S. Palmer Arena in Danville. The Panthers had previously lost 11-6 in their first meeting with the Illini's Division II team on Sept. 20.

The Panthers will hit the road next weekend, heading south to Springdale, Ark., to take on the University of Arkansas. Gallagher said that facing Illinois would be good practice for Arkansas, which has won some tough games this season as well, including an overtime win over Division I Central Oklahoma.

"Well, Arkansas has beat a couple DI teams as well, so this game just showed us how the rest of our season will be like," Gallagher said. "We have to just shoot the puck more and not allow as many shots on goal. Our defense was not that bad in that game, even with the end result, but we have to fix a couple things at practice and just go out there and play hard like we always do."

The Panthers take on Arkansas Jan 24 and 25 at the Jones Center in Springdale, Ark.

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After a made jumper by Katlyn Payne, the Panthers and Racers would go back-and-forth for the rest of the game and Erica Brown iced the game with two free throws.

Payne, who has struggled in her last three games shooting the ball, struggled again from the floor in the first half of the game on Monday shooting 0-of-4.

In the second half, Payne shot 4-of-4 and credited all her success to Brown.

"She came up to me at halftime and was like, 'be confident, you know you can shoot, but you know you gotta do the other things,'" Payne said. "As much as she is a freshman,

she came for me and kind of boosted my confidence. I definitely contribute to everything I did in the second half to her."

Brown made an immediate impact when she entered the game at the 13:10 mark in the first half.

She blocked a 3-point shot from Bianca Babic and then at the other end of the court made layup and was fouled.

Brown finished with 13 points on 5-of-8 shooting and six rebounds and her teammates are starting to notice her contribution.

"It is always awesome to see a freshman step up," Payne said. "I mean obviously she came in and was

playing Sabi's position, and that is huge shoes to fill. I think she did a great job of not being nervous."

In the first half, the teams' combined for 47 points and Eastern held Murray State to four points in the first 13 minutes of the game.

Murray State was without its' leading scorer Keiona Kirby, who averages 18 points a game. Kirby went down with a knee injury 19 seconds into the Racers game against Belmont, Tuesday.

The Racers shot 6-of-31 from the floor and 3-of-17 in the first half.

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Freshman forward Erica Brown, looks to pass during Monday's game against Murray State in Lantz Arena. The team's next home game will be Feb. 1 in Lantz Arena against Southern Illinois-Edwardsville.

Eastern picks up win over Murray State

By Bob Reynolds
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The Eastern women's basketball team had five players scored in double figures propelling it to an 80-74 win against Murray State Monday night at Lantz Arena.

Sabina Oroszova had her eighth double-double in her last nine games, scoring 26 points and 13 rebounds for Eastern.

The Panthers shot 28-of-33 from the free-throw line and 24-of-27 in the second half.

Eastern coach Debbie Black

thought the free throw shooting was the biggest difference in the game.

"If you ask your girls, what we do more than anything in the gym is shoot free throws," she said. "We emphasize it. When we miss them, we run and it has been paying off."

With Eastern having a 28-19 lead at halftime, the Panthers started off the second half making their first seven shots, led by Jordyne Crunk, who had Eastern's first five points of the second half.

After the Panthers had a 40-26 lead with 17 minutes left in the

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second half, the Racers would go to a 20-9 run to cut the Eastern lead down to three, capped off by a jumper from Chanyere Hosey.

Black then called a time out and told the team to relax, make a stop and execute the next play.

Coming out of the timeout the Panthers would go on an 11-4 run

to put their lead back up to 10.

With about five minutes left in the second half, the Racers would cut the lead to three with a couple of free throw's by Julia Fox, who had 14 points.

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Panthers place 3rd, 5th at Illinois Classic

By Blake Nash
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Despite finishes in the top five Saturday at the Illinois Classic, Eastern track and field coach Tom Akers said believes his team is a long way from where they want to be.

"It was very apparent that we had a long break away from organized training and we need to make vast improvements each week to get where we want to be by the OVC Indoor Championships," Akers said.

The men's team finished third out of seven teams, while the women's team finished fifth out of 10 teams, with host University of Illinois taking first in each.

The reigning Ohio Valley Conference Female Athlete of the Week Jalisa Paramore led the women's team with a pair of top three finishes.

She placed second in the long jump with a distance 18-feet, 5.25-inches and third in the 60m hurdles with a time of 8.76 seconds.

Red-shirt senior Peter Geraghty brought home the only first place finish for the men's team in the pole vault. His vault of 17'6.50" bested All-American teammate Mick Viken's vault of 17'2.75".

Geraghty's vault ranked second on the Eastern career list behind Viken. Geraghty is a newcomer transfer from North Central College.

The Panthers women's team, led by Kirstie Wieber, also performed well in the pole vault. Wieber's vault of 11'11.75" earned her third place for the meet, and sixth on the Eastern career list.

All-American Jade Riebold did not score during the meet, but Akers acknowledged that she gave great effort during her training over the break.

Pablo Ramirez entered the Eastern top 10 career list with a fourth place finish in the 10K. His time of 8:21.06 ranks 10th on the all-time list.

"We have to continue to work hard and improve each week," Akers said. "More individuals have to step forward and become more competitive in order for us to defend our conference title. If last weekend was any indicator of what our future holds this season, we will be very disappointed come February."

Other point scorers for the Panthers included: Maura Cummins, who finished third in the high jump with a leap of 5'7.25" and Mike Hessler, who finished fifth in the mile with a time of 4:12.27.



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Sophomore pole-vaulter Annemarie Reid, vaults the bar during the 2013 OVC Championship meet in the Lantz Fieldhouse. The EIU John Craftt Invite will take place Saturday at 9 a.m. in the Lantz Field House.

The University of Illinois won both meets with more than 100 total points. The Illini scored nine first place finishes in their season opener, and were led by Alyssa Schneider who broke into the school's all-time list with a time of 4:47.46 in the mile.

After Saturday's meet, the Panthers can only move forward, Akers said.

"Let's hope it was more that we

needed to get back in the competitive spirit, and our meet at home this weekend shows us in a better state," he said.

Eastern hosts the John Craft Invite Saturday at Lantz Fieldhouse.

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DI Illinos too much to handle

By Dominic Renzetti
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The Eastern hockey club fell 10-2 on Saturday to the University of Illinois- Urbana Champaign Division I team at the Illinois Ice Arena in Champaign.

It was the first meeting between the two teams since December of 1975, when the Illini beat Eastern 10-0.

Senior forward John Scully had three goals for the Illini, with his first coming in the first five minutes of the game. Scully's wrist shot found the back of the net behind Eastern's senior goalie Andrew Teske.

Freshman defenseman Robert Koszka and senior forward Eddie Quagliata picked up assists on the goal.

A little more than a minute later, junior forward Jacob Matysiak scored on an assist from junior forward Mario Pacheco and freshman defenseman Cody von Rueden.

The Illini found the back of the net three more times in the first period within two minutes. Quagliata scored on an assist from Yoshi Shibata, followed by Scully's second goal of the game, and then a goal from freshman forward Jonathan Gauger. Leading 5-0 at the end of the first period, the Illini were in control of the game, holding the shots advantage 20-6.

Scully added his third of the game 96 seconds into the second period, giving him the hat trick. Scully, a native of Arlington Heights, has a career high 10 goals so far this season in his fourth year with the Illini.

Also in the second, sophomore forward Josh Baker and freshman forward Zach Morrison added goals to increase the lead. Quagliata added his second goal of the game, pushing the score to 9-0 entering the third. The Panthers trailed again in shots, with the Illini having a 20-3 advantage in the second period.

Senior forward Matt Welch scored the Illini's 10th goal of the game, coming at about 14 minutes into the third period.

The Panthers were finally able to find their way onto the scoreboard, when freshman Steve Kinnison scored on Illini goalie Zev Grument-Morris. Freshman Andy Insalaco and senior Chris Gallagher were credited with assists for Eastern.

Then with 35 seconds left, Eastern's Glenn Oskvarek scored to give the Panthers their second goal of the game, but it was too little too late, as the club dropped its sixth straight game. Seniors Joe Salazar and Tim Shannon were in on the assists.

Gallagher said the team knew what to expect going in.

"Well, going into the game, we definitely knew it was going to be a challenge," he said. "We got to score on a DI team twice in the last two minutes of the game. The one thing we never do in a game is give up, no matter who it is. It just showed real character from our team to even play in that game."

The Panthers were one of two last minute replacement games for the Illini, who were originally scheduled to take on DePaul. After DePaul dropped out, Eastern and the Chicago Jr. Bulldogs were added to the schedule.

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