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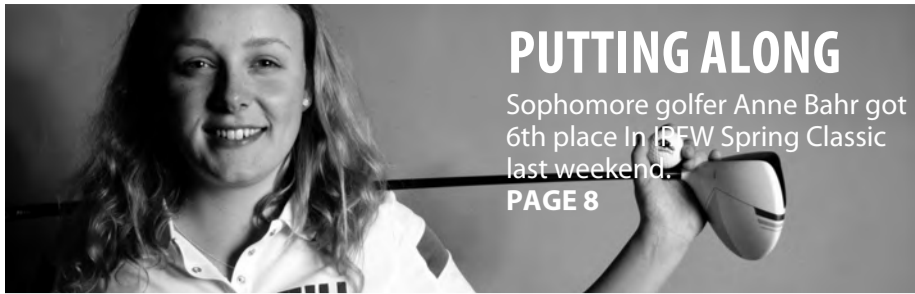
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Retired Chinese Justice to visit Eastern

By **Analicia Haynes**
Administration Editor | @Haynes1943

Eastern will welcome Justice Jingmin Zhai, the retired vice president of the Beijing Supreme Court at 7 p.m. Monday in the Lumpkin Hall Auditorium as part of his weeklong stay in Illinois.

There will be a forum followed by a reception at 8:30 p.m. where audience members can participate in a question and answer discussion.

James Irwin, the Eastern Public Policy Institute Conference Chair, said the visit is about looking at making some changes in China regarding the judicial structure.

Irwin said Zhai is looking more at the "Rule of Law," which is what our court system is based on in the United States.

Zhai will be speaking through an interpreter at the forum and discussing the possibility of implementing the "Rule of Law" in China after spending a week in Illinois learning about the judicial structure in America.

According to the United States Institute of Peace, the rule of law refers to "an end state in which all individuals and institutions, public and private, and the state itself are held accountable to the law, which is supreme."

Irwin said although Zhai is retired he still has a great influence in the Chinese court system because of his decorated career and status.

"(China is) much more of a one party system which makes it more of a unique opportunity (to attend the forum)," Irwin said. "We hear and we read certain things about China but here's your chance to ask them first hand."

Although the forum is about the "Rule of Law," Irwin said it will be a shorter presentation and thus offer lots of opportunities for questions during the reception.

Irwin said the forum will help participants expand their horizons without having to go to China and get some exposure to some issues without leaving town.

"(The audience) will get a little perspective on things with what other nations are grappling such as the courts," Irwin said. "We have our experience and we can compare it to their experience."

Irwin said students who attend the forum do not have to be a pre-law major to benefit from this session and it will bring people together while breaking down barriers.

"When I go hear a talk it's nice to hear the two-way interactions," Irwin said. "This is going to be an excellent opportunity for question and answer."

Zhai, who is currently the president of the Beijing Legal Association for Multiaspect Mediation, served 27 years as the vice president for the Beijing Supreme Court, which is the highest of three levels of court for the capital of China, according to the press release.

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Greeks perform during the Greek Week Unity Stroll event in front of Doudna Steps Thursday. Panhellenic and Interfraternity Council chapters teamed up with National Pan-Hellenic Council chapters for the stroll.

Unity Stroll brings Greeks together

By **T'Nerra Butler**
Multicultural Editor | @DEN_News

Tables turned and roles were somewhat switched when the Panhellenic Council and Interfraternity Council chapters did some of the traditional steps from the chapters of the National Pan-Hellenic Council.

Greeks were found dancing and singing throughout the Library Quad near the Doudna steps for the Unity Stroll.

While NPHC chapters executed some of their traditional strolls, PHC and IFC danced to their own beats.

Only three chapters from the NPHC were able to participate this year and that included Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority and Omega Psi Phi Fraternity. The first team included Lambda Chi Alpha Fraternity, Sigma Sigma Sigma Sorority, Alpha Sigma Alpha, Sorority, Delta Tau Delta Fraternity, Sigma Alpha Epsilon Fraternity, Alpha Sigma Tau Sorority, Alpha Phi Sorority, Sigma Phi Epsilon Fraternity, Kappa Delta Sorority, Delta Zeta Sorority and Delta Chi Fraternity.

The women of Sigma Gamma Rho took on the extra chapters and combined teams.

Team two consisted of Sigma Nu Fraternity, Sigma Kappa Sorority, and Pi Kappa Alpha Fraternity and was coached by members of Zeta Phi Beta.

The third team was led by Omega Psi Phi and consisted of Sigma Pi Fraternity, Delta Delta Delta Sorority, Phi Kappa Theta Fraternity and Alpha Gamma Delta Sorority.

Madison Endsley, a sophomore communications major, is a member of Delta Zeta Sorority and said the Unity Stroll brought all the Greek houses together. She said both Airband and the stroll incorporate dancing with goals of bringing overall harmony.

The first team danced to songs like Mi-go's "Dab," and "Drip From My Walk," by Famous Dex.



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The men of Phi Kappa Theta fraternity dance during the Greek Week Unity Stroll event Thursday at the Doudna steps.

Rihanna's "Work" followed by Fetty Wap's "Jimmy Choo," sounded when team two hit the cement. The women of Zeta Phi Beta stood on both sides and other Greeks stood in the middle as they performed.

The third team stood in a line as the Omega Psi Phi's known song "Atomic Dog" by George Clinton boomed through the speakers. The Omega men did their trademark headshake and hops while the song went on.

Christopher Dorsey, a junior applied engineering major, was a coach representing Omega Psi Phi and said the campus is heavily separated.

"This brings a good dose of diversity," Dorsey said. "Diversity is something that we can carry over to the workforce and it teach-

es us on how to deal with different groups of people."

JaLisa Smith, a senior psychology major, was a coach representing Sigma Gamma Rho and said she has been participating in the Unity Stroll for a couple of years and said she loved her team.

Smith said the day let the other fraternities and sororities in on how hard the chapters of NPHC work.

"It can be hard for someone to understand all the things that we go through," Smith said. "They love it, I love it. It's unity."

Smith said she took on three teams in one because of it only being three NPHC chapters participating.

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Hover Cup to take place Saturday

Staff Report

The second Hover Cup race will be Saturday from 2 to 5 p.m. in McAfee Gym. Anyone ranging from high school to college students can participate regardless of skills or their major.

The purpose of the Hover Cup is to give students and everyone involved a fun reason to use their hands and apply physics in a fun environment, even if the students do not know much about physics.

Stevie Momaly, an Eastern alumna, first coordinated the Hover Cup last year, and like last year's race, there will be prizes awarded to the winners.

These prizes ranged from gift certificates to gift baskets, but for the grand prize, the winning teams of the competition will have their names engraved into the Hover Cup trophy.

Last year, students created their own hovercrafts made out of plywood, duct tape, leaf blowers, and plastic.

Students must create their own teams of two to five students, and each team must build their own hover-



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Tom Sticha, a senior engineering major, and Paul Blackmore, a junior engineering major, race their hovercrafts at the EIU Hover Cup on April 11, 2015.

craft and it must race it across McAfee Gym. During the first Hover Cup race, the race consisted of different categories, which included the most creative hovercraft and, of course, there is the main race to determine which team wins the grand prize trophy.

Last year, four teams competed in the race. Team Flipper won first place during the series of races, while another team, Hyperdrive Engage, won in both the most creative and best design.

Anyone who is interested in registering for this Saturday's Hover Cup race can still do so by going to the offi-

cial Eastern Hover Cup Facebook Page for the registration forms. They can also find the rules and regulations for the race on the page as well.

Students can still register up until the day of the actual race, and the fee for registering for the race is \$5 per team member.

Theatre to perform last play of season

Staff report

The Charleston Community Theatre has announced the final play of its 2015-2016 season. The play, titled "Motherhood Out Loud," will be held at the Tarble Arts Center from April 15 to April 16, and April 21 to April 23 at 7:30 p.m.

There is also a performance sched-

uled for April 17 at 2 p.m.

The play will be directed by Gail Mason, and produced by Donna Karbasioon. The production of the play will consist of a collection of 20 monologues written by several contemporary American writers, arranged in five different chapters.

One to four actors will perform each of the stories, and each story will

only use a simple set with props.

"Motherhood Out Loud" takes a look at the different aspects of both traditional and non-traditional parenting. The shows starts with the delivery experiences of three women, and from then on, the show begins to cover a wide variety of issues including international adoption, step-motherhood, gay parenthood and empty nest syn-

drome.

The cast of "Motherhood Out Loud" includes Kim Bagwell, Mary Bower, Ann Bruehler, Kathy Davis, Terry Davis, Rachel Heicher, Gail Mason, Beka Murphy, and Dan Nerone.

Tickets for the performances are \$10 for adults, \$8 for seniors, and \$5 for students. The show is not appropriate for children.

UB to host Gatsby-themed comedy act

By Abbey Whittington
Entertainment Editor | @DEN_News

The University Board will be hosting a Great Gatsby themed comedy act featuring comedian Raneir Pollard at 7 p.m. Friday in the 7th Street Underground.

Pollard is from Miami, Fla., and according to his website, as a gay youth in a Baptist Caribbean family, he had to find a way to laugh in the challenging world by using his cynical and naughty sense of humor.

The comedian can currently be seen around Los Angeles, Calif., performing in the area and features in the Showtime comedy special, "Pride Comedy Jam!"

Nia Douglas, the UB comedy co-

ordinator, said she wanted to change up the UB show by having a theme for the event.

"Once I was hired as the new comedy coordinator, I hit the ground running. I wanted to do something different that would catch the student's attention," Douglas said. "I went to our storage room to see what types of decorations we had and it hit me when I saw the different props for a photo booth and the martini glasses. I figured why not have something a little more fun and classy than usual."

After Pollard's performance, there will be a photo booth set up for attendees, and they will be able to take them with different props and the comedian.

"UB Comedy always tries to keep

the comedians that we bring different and diverse. We try to bring comedians that attract people from all types of backgrounds and demographics," Douglas said. "Raneir Pollard was chosen because he appeals to both African American community and also the LGBTQA, allowing the event to have a more diverse audience, something all students can enjoy."

Douglas said when the UB decides which comedians will perform at Eastern; the decision is based on what type of humor the comedian has and how they will attract students.

"With every comedian we bring we want them to be better or have a different type of humor to them. The comedians themselves all have different approaches to their craft and different

personalities," Douglas said. "They also attract different groups of people so we always try to play off of that. The fact that this comedian prides himself on being 'black and gay' is what really made him stand out."

There will be giveaways for participants including tickets to the African Student Association fashion show, "Coming to America," two tickets for the spring concert for students who did not buy one before they sold out and an Amazon gift card.

The show will be free and open to everyone.

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CAA honors faculty member, revises courses

By Jeff Coy
Staff Reporter | @DEN_News



Richard Jones

The Council on Academic Affairs announced Richard Jones, a communication studies professor, as this year's Faculty Laureate Award winner and approved three course proposals during its meeting Thursday.

The Faculty Laureate Award Selection Subcommittee reported at the CAA meeting and selected Jones as the 2016 Faculty Laureate.

Jones' research focuses on how people communicate and perform intersecting identities in different circumstances.

Jones had a research article published in the journal "Qualitative Inquiry," titled "Queering the body politic: Intersectional reflexivity in the body narratives of queer men."

Jones is currently teaching nine sections of CMN 1310, Introduction to Speech Communication.

The department of mathematics and computer science proposed to

revise MAT 2250, Elementary Statistics and MAT 4370, Topics in Computer Science.

Math professor Grant Lakeland proposed for this course to be offered online back in the March 3 CAA meeting.

When Lakeland originally brought up the proposal people were concerned that students taking this course online would only

have the required textbook to learn material without any lectures.

This led to the original proposal being tabled.

A few of the CAA members were skeptical of the course and wondered how the instructors would regularly teach the class.

Lakeland said teaching this course online without the material already prepared would take a lot of time.

He also mentioned the department would make video lectures for the online course over time. "We would build (the material) up semester by semester," Lakeland said.

"It's not just YouTube videos," said Marshall Lassak, the chair of the department of mathematics and computer science. "It's a discussion board, PowerPoint slides, audio recordings."

The revision for MAT 2250 was unanimously approved.

The mathematics and computer science department also proposed to revise MAT 4370 to become

CSM 4370.

The rationale behind the proposal was to make an online addition to the MAT 4370 course.

This class focuses on topics in computer science, which vary depending on the interests of faculty and students, according to the course description in the 2016 catalog.

This class can currently be repeated for credit as long as faculty and students focus on different topics.

The course can only be repeated to receive a maximum of six credit hours, according to the catalog.

The proposal to revise MAT 4370 was unanimously approved.

The department of foreign language proposed to revise EIU 4125G, Cultural Diversity in the United States.

Spanish professor Kristin Routt spoke on the behalf of the department.

"This is another course that's been revised to offer online and

also significantly update the content of the course to incorporate critical thinking," Routt said.

The course examines the development of the multicultural nature of the United States, according to the course description.

Special attention in the course is given to the assimilation process and the struggle to achieve political, social and economic equality while maintaining cultural traditions and identities.

The proposed revision was unanimously approved.

The CAA's current pending items on its agenda are CTE 3000G, Consumers in the Marketplace; SOS 2400, Introduction to Teaching Social Studies and SOS 3400, Social Studies Teaching Methods.

These courses will be acted upon during next week's CAA meeting.

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Graduating students to be honored for achievements

By Cassie Buchman
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Students will be honored for their achievements in academics and leadership at the ninth annual Minority Affairs and TRiO Academic Recognition & Awards Reception at 3 p.m. Sunday in the Grand Ballroom of the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union.

When Maggie Burkhead, director of the TRiO program, came to Eastern in 2005, the TRiO program had its own separate awards ceremony for scholarships, graduates and student leaders in the fall and spring.

The Office of Minority Affairs was also going to have an awards program for minority students on the Friday before graduation, but Burkhead's supervisor asked if they could combine the awards program.

The awards program now includes graduating students who are in TRiO and minority students on Eastern's campus. The graduating students get a certificate signed by Mona Davenport, the director of minority affairs, and President David Glassman. Schol-

"It's good for students to see that their achievements aren't going unrecognized. I think it's good for faculty to show their support and encouragement."

-Maggie Burkhead, director of the TRiO program

arship winners and academic achievers will be recognized at the reception.

People can also nominate themselves or others for awards such as Outstanding Student Leader, Outstanding Graduate Student, Outstanding Athlete, Outstanding Minority Organization, or Outstanding Black Greek-Letter Organization.

A committee looks at the applicant's resume, things they have done, and their GPA to decide who wins the award. Burkhead said it is good for morale for students to get these awards.

"It's good for students to see that their achievements aren't going unrecognized, I think it's good for faculty to show their support and encouragement," Burkhead said.

Burkhead said as students can see

their colleagues achieve a lot and be inspired to do the same.

"(Other students) will be like 'Hey, I want to be getting an award; I'm gonna make sure I get my grades up, or I'm gonna be sure I join these programs,'" Burkhead said.

Another thing that Burkhead said is inspiring for students to see is people's goals after graduation.

"Some people say they want to be a teacher, or some want to obtain an internship, some are going to graduate school," Burkhead said. "Once again, this shows new students, hopefully these are things you're striving for."

Students' families are invited to see the awards ceremony.

Students help plan the ceremony and two students are emceeing the event, Lelonna Goodson and Marissa

Norris.

"There's a lot of work that goes into the planning, but we just hope it is a nice event for the students," Burkhead said.

The Unity Gospel choir and IC4C Praise Dancing will provide entertainment for the ceremony.

"I think it's good for people traveling to get a whole performance and again, these are students of Eastern who will be performing," Burkhead said. Burkhead originally expected 40 to 45 graduates. Instead, there are 81 students graduating this year.

Nathan Barnett-Bishop, a sophomore engineering major, is one of the students who helped plan the ceremony.

He said he knows a lot of people who have applied for awards.

"There's a lot of ambition, a lot of happiness going on," Barnett-Bishop said. "Someone said they did want to win but if they did not win, it was OK because it was better than where they were last year, signing up for no scholarships. Now, they're striving in

so many things."

Barnett-Bishop said people want to see that they went to college and brought something back with them to show for it.

"(It shows) they have effort, they have strength, they have sacrificed," Barnett-Bishop said.

Barnett-Bishop said these awards have inspired him to work harder and put his priority in better spots and Minority Affairs and TRiO have helped me with my internships, how to talk to professors and study tips.

He said without these programs, he would not be in the same position he is today.

"I would probably be somewhere in my room locked up, watching YouTube videos all day," Barnett-Bishop said. "I would go to class but I wouldn't study if it wasn't for TRiO and Minority Affairs saying hey, if you don't shapen up now, what's going to happen later?"

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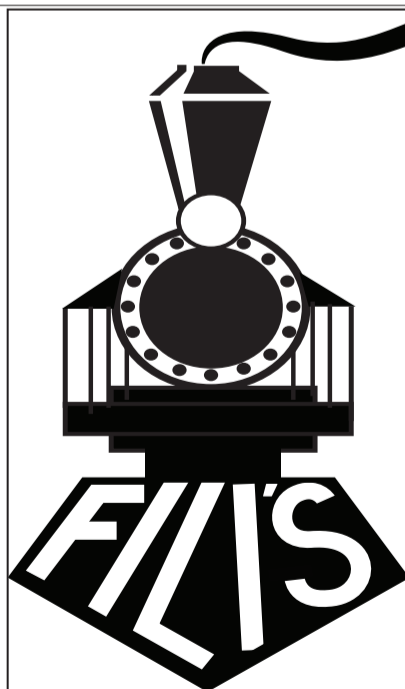
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Chris Picazo

Getting sleep can actually be helpful

Over the course of my undergraduate career, I have come to realize that I have developed an awful habit.

As I stare at the clock, it reads 2:37 a.m. I check my alarm, and it reads 8 a.m.

I need to wake up in approximately five hours and 23 minutes, but I still have to finish this column, and get as much homework done as I possibly can before I inevitably pass out from exhaustion.

I'll then wake up and go to every class because I haven't missed a lecture in almost two years. From there, I'll do all the work I need to do, study and do homework, and then most likely find myself in a similar situation that I was in the night before at 3 a.m. again.

I've managed to condition myself to somehow get by with four to five hours of sleep a night, and I've realized that this is probably one of the worst habits people can have.

I'm surprised that I can somehow get through the day without falling asleep on the floor of Buzzard Hall.

The least shocking thing about this is that I'm not the only student that has developed this awful habit of sleep deprivation. And students are not the only group that doesn't get enough sleep. It's actually pretty much everyone in the country.

When it comes to college students, the University of Georgia's Health Center reported that most students do not get the required amount of sleep a night and average a total of about six to seven hours.

While six to seven hours of sleep a night sounds like a glorious thing, it apparently isn't.

Students and adults should be getting up to 10 hours a night or at least try to aim for eight hours. If you're like me, which you probably aren't, you're probably thinking that 10 hours is almost half a day, and there is no way you can spend that much time sleeping when there is so much to be done.

But if you don't get enough of sleep, there are consequences that can affect everyday life and performance in school.

The same research from the University of Georgia said that lack of sleep can lead to stress and anxiety, increased likelihood to get a cold or flu, or the worst of it all, a drop in overall GPA.

If you happen to be stressing on an almost daily basis like I am, it's probably due to the lack of sleep.

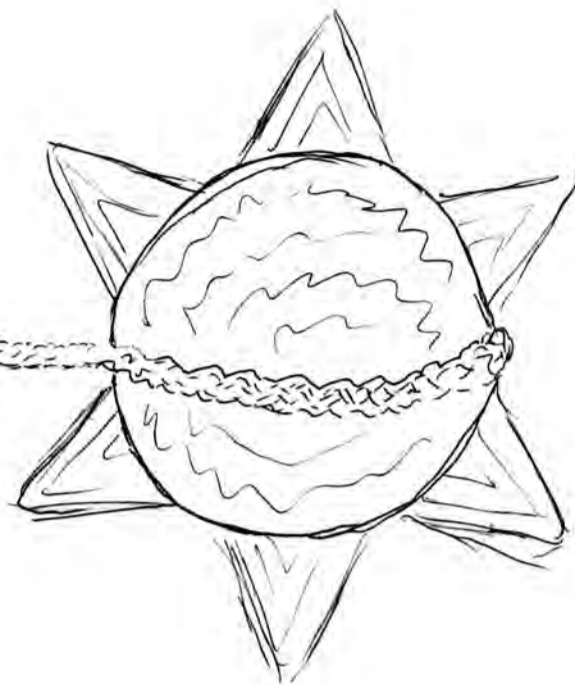
Sleep is meant to restore the energy we lost during the day, helps us to think more clearly and positively, and helps strengthen our memory.

While it is ironic that I research the benefits of sleep at a time when I should be sleeping, I do realize now more than ever that I, and many other people on this campus, have a habit that we should be trying to get rid of.

Sleep is an incredible thing, and nothing feels better than a good night's rest. So establish a sleep ritual that can help you succeed instead of one that can deprive you of success.

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Tugging Back the Nice Weather



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Staff Editorial

Be thankful for the Panther Shuttle

There was once a time when the Panther Shuttle ran past 9 p.m. every night of the week, but that time is now a distant memory of the past.

You may have noticed that after arriving to campus from a long spring break that something was not the same with the Panther Shuttle.

There was a difference in the hours of the bus service. What used to run until midnight Sunday through Wednesday and to 1:30 a.m. Thursday through Saturday no longer exists.

The new shuttle hours are 7:30 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday through Friday and 3 p.m. to 9 p.m. Saturday through Sunday.

In Wednesday's edition of *The Daily Eastern News*, the article titled "Students react to bus schedule changes" said two positions for bus drivers became vacant in the fall semester and could not be filled because of layoffs and a hiring freeze.

The lack of the state budget, which is now in its 10th month of a stalemate, has led to the positions not being able to be filled.

The ongoing budget impasse is once again affecting the students of the campus as they are now limited to the hours in which they can travel, and it took away the jobs of other drivers.

The change to the new bus hours were proposed at Student Senate meeting on March 2, and the original proposal was to have the shuttle run until 7 p.m.

While this is unfortunate to students, it is something we must deal with and get through.

Your late night trips to the grocery store or trips from off campus to Eastern's campus must now be planned to occur earlier, but be thankful that the Panther Shuttle is still able to provide service at the hours of the day when it is most needed.

According to *The News'* article, there are currently only two full-time drivers and one part-time driver with five substitutes that fill in when needed.

The next time you get on the Panther Shuttle, be thankful that it is still running

and thank your driver when you get off.

Drivers are going above and beyond at this time as they still drive still students to their destination.

They deserve all the recognition and thanks for the services they provide to us.

Students may not think the shuttle change hours affect drivers, but it most definitely does.

It is a change everyone on campus is experiencing because of the lack of a state budget.

But as a student said in the same *The News* article, the change in hours are not a terrible thing.

They are just an inconvenience, and it is something we can easily go through.

Just be thankful for what is available and given to us, and thank those that provide the services we use on a daily basis.

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

Sean Says: Anything can happen this year

So lemme tell you this. There is always a chance that things can get better.

You just have to keep believing that things can get better. Sometimes saying "oh there's always tomorrow," or "there's always next year," can keep you going.

There are plenty of reasons why you struggle and be unsuccessful for a long time and have a few bad days or year. Sometimes it just comes down to not having someone help guide you through.

But things can turn for the better right before your eyes, and all the struggling and failing is long behind you.

For example, let's say you meet a guy named Theo, and Theo knows what it takes to be successful. If you just follow his plans, things might get better for you.

But you can't always have one person help lead the way for you, so you need someone to stand by your side to "coach" you through things.

So you meet this guy named Joe, and Joe is a lot older than you, but he has had lots of success throughout his life.

What's so great about your friend Joe is that he is also kind of laid back and has fun with things, but he makes it work. He likes to keep things light, but he is also all about winning and being successful.

But the most important thing is meeting



Sean Hastings

a group of people who do the same thing as you and all share the common goal. Sometimes it will take the help of other people to get these guys to come around.

Not everyone has to be really old and experienced. Sometimes a group of younger guys can be the key to everything because they have different outlooks on things.

Every time you get a group of people together fighting to get one common goal, there are going to be some veterans, of course, who have done it before. But sometimes those rookies will make all the difference.

Say you're doing a group project, and the

ages of the group members vary.

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“One thing that is particularly interesting about this man is his career path, which in the United States would not be a typical career path (for the judiciary),” Irwin said. “I think our judges have been in law enforcement but to be the top law enforcement figure in China and also be one of the top justices in the Supreme Court is kind of a double whammy.”

The Asian Heritage Month Committee, Pre-Law Society and the Public Policy Institute are sponsoring the forum.

Before attending the forum on Monday, Zhai will also be in Mattoon at 1 p.m. Saturday for roundtable discussion and luncheon at Webb Hall in Lakeland College.

The luncheon is sponsored by the Coles County Cumberland Bar Association and hosted by The Tapella and Eberspacher Law Firm.

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The Greeks who came to practice always were enthusiastic and ready to learn their routines, Dorsey said.

He said now that the event is over with, he has gained new connections and even friends.

“I’ve built like 18 relationships and that’s something I probably would have never did without this event,” Dorsey said.

Fellow members of each Greek cheered loudly for those stepping.

Katie Ruane, a sophomore early education major and a member of Alpha Gamma Delta Sorority, said the integration of students on campus could be better but events like the Unity Stroll could open the doors for that to happen.

“One event is not going to bring everyone together, but it’s a start,” Ruane said. “Inviting everyone to more events could slowly bridge that gap.”

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Members of Sigma Nu fraternity, Sigma Kappa sorority, Pi Kappa Alpha fraternity and Zeta Phi Beta sorority dance together during the Greek Week Unity Stroll Thursday at the Doudna steps.

Authors discuss adventure, novel

By **Abbey Whittington**
Entertainment Editor | @DEN_News

The Academy of Lifelong Learning will be going to the Charleston Carnegie Public Library to listen to authors Larry and Donna Mahan discuss their book “20 Day Trips in and Around the Shawnee National Forest” from noon to 1:30 p.m. on Wednesday.

These two authors are married and spent nine years hiking trails, taking photographs and visiting towns in the area of the Shawnee National Forest, which is located in the deep southern tip of Illinois.

Larry Mahan just recently retired from teaching with 50 years of service and is the author of “In Search of Large Trees,” and Donna Mahan has also retired from teaching in Springfield and is from southern Illinois.

The book features more than 100 colored photographs taken by both authors, detailed places to visit in the Shawnee forest and surrounding areas, complete directions including GPS coordinates, facilities available at each location, the difficulty levels and length of hikes, a narrative of the authors’ experiences and some general facts about each area they visited.

The Shawnee National Forest spans more than 279,000 acres deep into southern Illinois and provides many activities for visitors including horseback riding, hiking, rock climbing and much more.

For the Mahans’ presentation, they will be lecturing from a slideshow that will feature photographs from the book and speak about the areas they visited along with answering questions the audience might have.

The Mahans’ book has the purpose of providing a guide with the information needed for anyone who is interested in the extensive hiking or camping experience so they know how to safely and proficiently explore what the forest has to offer.

The 20 Day Trips in and Around the Shawnee National Forest, received the Best Travel Guide of the Year award by Booklist in 2013.

Marita Metzke, the Academy of Lifelong Learning’s project coordinator, said another academy member suggested the academy have the couple come and speak.

People like to do weekend trips or short vacation trips, Metzke said. Participants will be able to learn about additional opportunities in the state to visit as well as see another national forest if they have never been to the tip of southern Illinois.

Anyone that wants to see the authors’ presentation can call the Academy of Lifelong Learning at 581-5114 or email them at academy@eiu.edu.

The authors’ presentation will be free to attend and there will be autographed copies of their book to purchase for \$17.95 before tax.

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Rearview Mirror



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Three-year-old Cosette Hutti, a resident of Charleston, practices gymnastics Thursday in the Doudna Fine Arts Center. Hutti was waiting for her 9-year-old brother, who participates in the community music program, to get out of piano practice.

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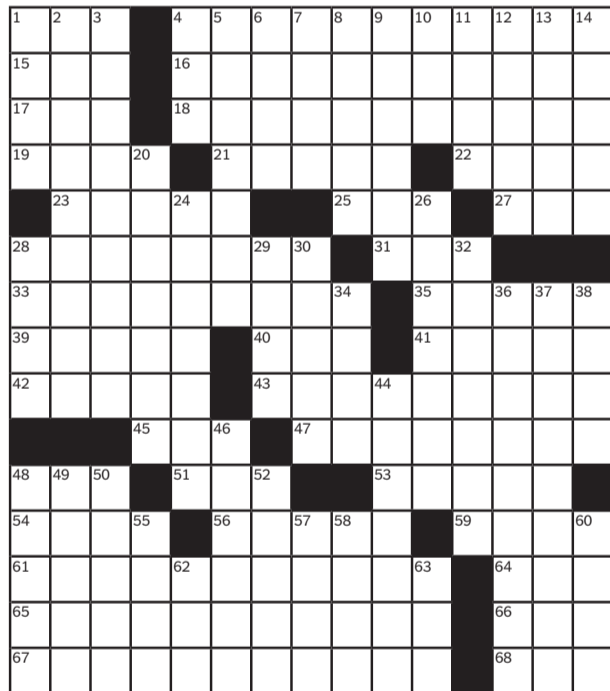
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Softball team returns home for doubleheaders

By Sean Hastings
Sports Editor | @DEN_Sports

After snapping its seven-game losing streak by stealing a 2-0 win from the Murray State Racers in the third game of the series on the road, the Eastern softball team is returning home to take on Eastern Kentucky and Morehead State in a pair of doubleheaders.

Eastern will take on Eastern Kentucky on Saturday and Morehead State on Sunday.

The Panthers' seven-game losing streak included three shut out losses and one shortened game because of the run rule.

Sophomore pitcher Jessica Wireman got back on track in the game firing the two-hit shutout.

Wireman has lowered her ERA to 3.86 and got her record to 8-16. Wireman has pitched 127 innings for the Panthers and has recorded 108 strikeouts.

Also expected to be a go on the mound is sophomore Michelle Rogers. Rogers has a 5.47 ERA and has 36 strikeouts in 79.1 innings pitched.

The Panthers will have to be at their best this weekend as Eastern Kentucky has a perfect 10-0 record in Ohio Valley Conference play.

The Colonels have three players

batting over .370. Paige Murphy is the team's top hitter with .436 average.

The team also has some power with 16 home runs on the season.

Eastern has hit 15 home runs this season. Seniors April Markowski and Kylie Bennett each have five.

Hayley Flynn is the top pitcher with a 1.99 ERA and 112.1 innings pitched.

Eastern Kentucky's last two OVC games came against Morehead The Colonels won by scores of 2-0 and 5-2.

They beat Austin Peay and Murray State the week prior.

Morehead State also has a team that can hit. Robyn Leighton has a batting average of .404 and 18 RBIs.

The Eagles are 6-4 in OVC play with the last three games resulting in losses to Eastern Kentucky.

Morehead State lost all three games by scores of 2-0, 8-1, and 5-2.

The Eagles rely on two pitchers for the most part with Mackenzie Grossman handling most of the innings with 104.2 innings pitched.

She has a 3.28 earned run average.

The Panthers split with Morehead State last season in the two games the teams faced off in, but



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Jessica Wireman fires a pitch against Butler March 22 at Williams Field.

the Colonels came away with two wins in two games against Eastern last year.

Senior Katie Watson leads the Panthers' offense with a 2.87 bat-

ting average.

Eastern will get underway with Eastern Kentucky at 1 p.m. on Saturday with the second game following right after at 3 p.m.

The games with Morehead State are set for noon and 2 p.m.

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Last home match set for women's tennis team

By Kaitlin Cordes
Staff Report | @DEN_Sports

The women's tennis team rounds out its home court play Friday as it will take on conference competitor Jacksonville State.

The Panthers are coming in off a 4-3 loss to Southern Illinois-Edwardsville, which ended their three-game win streak. The Panthers are now 11-6 on the season and 5-2 in the conference.

The Jacksonville State Gamecocks enter the contest with a 6-13 overall record; they are 4-2 in the conference.

Jacksonville State is coming off a 5-2 conference win over Morehead State.

The Gamecocks swept the doubles matchups in their last match and let two singles matches slip away.

In doubles, Courtney Conley and Sadey St. Amant earned a notable 6-1 win over Lindsey Wild and Aleksandra Savic.

Claudia Marsala and Diana Mirce-

ta took the other doubles win over Haley Wild and Maria Orenella in a 6-3 battle.

Olivia Nguyen and Genevieve Ulanday's matchup with Zina Mehikic and Ayaka Terashi defaulted to an unfinished result.

Conley also posted a 6-0, 6-0 win over Lindsey Wild in singles.

Ulanday kept the score tight, eventually winning 6-3, 7-5 over Haley Wild. Mirceta defeated Orenella in another close 6-4, 7-6 contest.

Nguyen and Marsala walked away with losses at their respective No. 1 and No. 2 positions.

St. Amant leads the team in singles wins with a 9-9 record. In doubles, Marsala and Mirceta have the best of the two winning records on the team as they sit at 6-3 on the season.

The Gamecocks' season singles record is 33-68 and 17-28 in doubles.

Jacksonville State is running on a one-game win streak and is currently 3-6 in away matches. The Panthers

have a winning home record of 4-1.

The two teams met in Jacksonville, Ala., last season, and the Panthers took home a 5-2 victory.

Juniors Kelly Iden and Kamile Stadalninkaite and senior Ali Foster all posted singles wins against their Gamecock opponents.

Iden defeated Marsala with a pair of 6-3 set scores.

Stadalninkaite trumped Danielle Kerindi in a three-set decision, 7-6, 0-6, 12-10. Foster had a notable run against Nguyen winning 6-1, 6-3.

Summers had a tough go against Ulanday, dropping her match 4-6, 7-5, 10-7.

The Panthers dominated the doubles matches, winning two of the three and the third defaulting to unfinished.

The Panthers' final home match will take place in Champaign, Ill. at 2 pm Friday.

Eastern will face conference opponents Eastern Kentucky and More-



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Senior Ali Foster defeated Belmont's Kendall Warren 6-4, 6-3 in singles play on April 1 at the Darling Courts. Foster defeated Southern Illinois-Edwardsville's Mia Frogner 6-4, 6-3 in singles competition on Wednesday in Terre Haute, Ind.

head State before participating in the Ohio Valley Conference tournament in Nashville, Tenn., April 21-23.

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Bahr improves on golf course

By Maria Baldwin
Assistant Sports Editor | @DEN_Sports

Sophomore golfer Anne Bahr started playing golf at 4 years old, and with that experience, she has taken her golf game to a new level this year.

"My parents got me into it when I was about 4, so I've been playing for a while," Bahr said. "They played golf, too, so they wanted to see if I liked it, too. I started competing competitively my junior year of high school."

Over the weekend, Bahr was a consistent force for the Panthers as she and teammate Chloe Wong tied for 6th place at the IPFW Spring Classic.

Bahr was strong in both rounds as she had back-to-back days of 80 to remain in 6th place for both days.

"I'm trying to take it one shot at a time because if you think about it too much, you get worried about it too much, and you probably won't do very well," Bahr said. "So I just try to take it one shot at a time and stay positive and keep in the moment because every shot you have to execute to the best of your ability."

As for the team, Eastern placed fourth in the field with a two-round total of 661.

"I thought as a team we did pretty well, especially considering the weather was pretty bad," Bahr said. "It was difficult but I know we're really excited as a team for the rest of the season to see how it goes because the next two weeks we have one more tournament and then conference so we're hoping to do well."

Coach Michael Moncel practices the team almost every day, but Bahr said that the short game of golf is what he wants his athletes to succeed at the most, and that is what they practice almost constantly every day.

"At practice, we work a lot on our short-game because that is what Coach Moncel is really into," Bahr said. "We do drills and lately we've just been trying to get the swing go-



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Sophomore Anne Bahr has been playing golf since the age of 4. Last weekend, Bahr tied for 6th place at the IPFW Spring Classic.

ing because we have a really short spring season."

The spring season consists of three meets before the Ohio Valley Conference championships at Hampton Cove in Huntsville, Ala.

She shot a personal best at the collegiate level last year as a freshman at conference.

"Personally, last year I shot my collegiate low at conference so I'm hoping to get back down there again and shoot hopefully lower than that," Bahr said. "I love the conference course so I'm excited to get back down there again and play it and hopefully get another top 10 like I did this past weekend."

While she is on par to achieve a new personal best score in her game, Bahr credits her success to the devel-

opment of her short-game abilities.

Eastern has not only been a place where Bahr knew she would excel in her athletics, but the environment of Charleston is what sealed the deal for her commitment to attend college here and to travel all the way from Boise, Idaho, to be a part of the community.

"When I was doing the college process in high school I knew that I wanted to play college golf," Bahr said. "The opportunities that Eastern would give me and I also really like the community here and I also loved the coach when I came to visit here. I thought it was the best fit for me, even though it was far away, I do miss home a lot, but I love the community here, my team, and the people. I'm really happy to be here and to play col-

lege golf."

Moncel is proud of Bahr's attitude on the course and her work ethic.

"We recruited her right out of a potato field in Boise, Idaho," Moncel said. "She is the hardest worker on the team and has a great attitude for the game. She has a lot of physical ability, and when her emotional and mental quotient meets and equals her physical talent, she will put some pretty good scores together. Last week was less than ideal conditions to play in. I'm sure she felt like she played better than her score."

The Eastern women's golf team will head to the Indiana State invite this weekend in Terre Haute, Ind.

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Tennis team set for final 2 home matches

By Tyler McCluskey
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The Eastern men's tennis team will have their last two home matches this weekend.

They will be facing Jacksonville State (7-12) on Friday at 11 a.m. in Champaign at the Dodds Tennis Center and then take on Tennessee Tech (9-6) on Saturday at 1 p.m. at the Danville Tennis Center.

The matches were moved because of the weather forecast.

The Panthers (3-12) are 1-4 in Ohio Valley Conference play.

That lone win came two weeks ago against Murray State when the Panthers won 5-2. The Golden Eagles are undefeated in the OVC with a 5-0 record. The Gamecocks are 3-2 in OVC play.

Senior Robert Skolik has won his last six singles matches. It started on March 12 when he defeated DePaul's Sten Leusink 6-4, 7-6 (5).

He then beat Southern Illinois-Edwardsville's Tristan Houle 7-5, 6-2. He also defeated Will True of Murray State 6-4, 7-6.

He also came away with a victory against Austin Peay's Almantas Ozelis 6-4, 7-6 (10-4). Skolik rolled over Belmont's Robin Demasse 7-5, 6-2. And last week he defeated Tennessee State's Shashank Nautiyal 6-3, 6-2.

"I think I've gotten some luck sneaking a few of the close ones out recently," Skolik said. "A lot of them could have gone either way."

Skolik said with only a few remaining matches left, he focuses on being confident and to trust what he has been working on for over the past four years here at Eastern.

The Panthers have faced both Belmont and Tennessee State and lost 4-3, while the Gamecocks and Golden Eagles won against both teams, 6-1.

The Panthers have never won against the Gamecocks, going 0-12 all time. They have lost the last three matches, 5-2.

Senior Rui Silva and senior Ryan Henderson are the only ones to have a singles victory against the Gamecocks.

Against Tennessee Tech, the Panthers are 1-15 all time.

The only win was in 2014 when the Panthers pulled out a 5-2 victory and a sweep in doubles play. Skolik, Silva, and Henderson both won their respective singles matches.

Last year the Panthers were swept, 7-0. The Golden Eagles will take on Southern Illinois-Edwardsville before taking on the Panthers.

The Panthers lost to the Cougars, 4-3, in their first OVC matchup this season earlier this year on March 20.

The Panthers last four out of five matches have been very close, losing 4-3. They also lost 4-3 earlier this year to Saint Louis.

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Panthers to begin 3-game home series

By Maher Kawash
Staff Reporter | @DEN_Sports

The Eastern baseball team continues to search for consistency this season, and the next task at hand is a three-game series with Tennessee Tech.

After five-straight road games, the Panthers return to Coaches Stadium for an Ohio Valley Conference match up with the Golden Eagles.

Eastern has struggled in conference play so far this season, holding a 1-8 record against OVC opponents.

The Panthers' one win in the conference came in the series finale against Murray State last weekend as they picked up a 9-3 win. The win came the day after a 31-11 loss to the Racers.

Eastern is 5-23 this season outside of OVC play, and the team is coming off a 9-7 loss to Illinois.

Three of the Panthers' five wins have come in the last ten games, but they are still searching for more.

Eastern will have a chance at that against a Tennessee Tech team that is 15-12 this season and 6-6 in OVC play.

It will be no easy task for the Panthers as the Golden Eagles are fresh off one of their biggest wins in program history.

Tennessee Tech is coming off a 34-6 victory over Alabama A&M, and it was the second time this season the

team has scored 20 or more runs.

Junior Michael McCormick is dealt the task of controlling the powerful Golden Eagles offense in game one.

McCormick pitched six innings against Murray State his last time out on the mound, and he allowed seven runs on nine hits and three walks.

McCormick is 0-4 this season in eight appearances while holding a 6.75 ERA.

As for game two of the series, the Panthers will send senior Matt Wivinis to the mound.

Wivinis has struggled so far in his senior campaign as he is still winless in eight appearances.

Wivinis fell to 0-6 in his last start against the Racers, and he allowed 10 runs on 12 hits in one inning pitched.

Eastern's starting pitcher for game three of the series has yet to be announced.

While those starters attempt to shut down Tennessee Tech, sophomore Andy Fisher is expected to have an impact out of the bullpen once again.

Fisher has been a dominant force for the Panthers in relief this season, and his most recent performance came against Illinois.

Fisher earned three strikeouts over one inning pitched in that game, and he leads the team with 36 strikeouts in 26 innings pitched this season.

The Panthers' offense is also still searching for consistency.



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Senior infielder Mitch Gasbarro had one run, one hit and two RBIs at four at bats during the Panthers' 9-7 loss to Illinois on Tuesday at Illinois Field in Champaign.

After scoring seven runs on 15 hits against the Fighting Illini, Eastern's offense is riding some momentum.

Although some the Panthers did have that success last game, the team is still struggling to bring in runs.

In Eastern's last three games, the team has left a total of 29 runners on base.

A large part of the Panthers' success on offense has come from senior Demetre Taylor.

Taylor drove in two runs after going 2-for-4 against Illinois, and that performance pushed him into sixth all-time in Eastern history with 138

career RBIs.

Senior Jason Scholl has also improved at the plate lately as he is riding an eight-game hitting streak.

With those seniors leading the lineup, the Panthers hope to earn their first series win this season.

Action will begin Friday with game one at 2 p.m.

Following this three-game series, the Panthers take on Southern Illinois Tuesday in a single-game matchup to begin a five-game road trip.

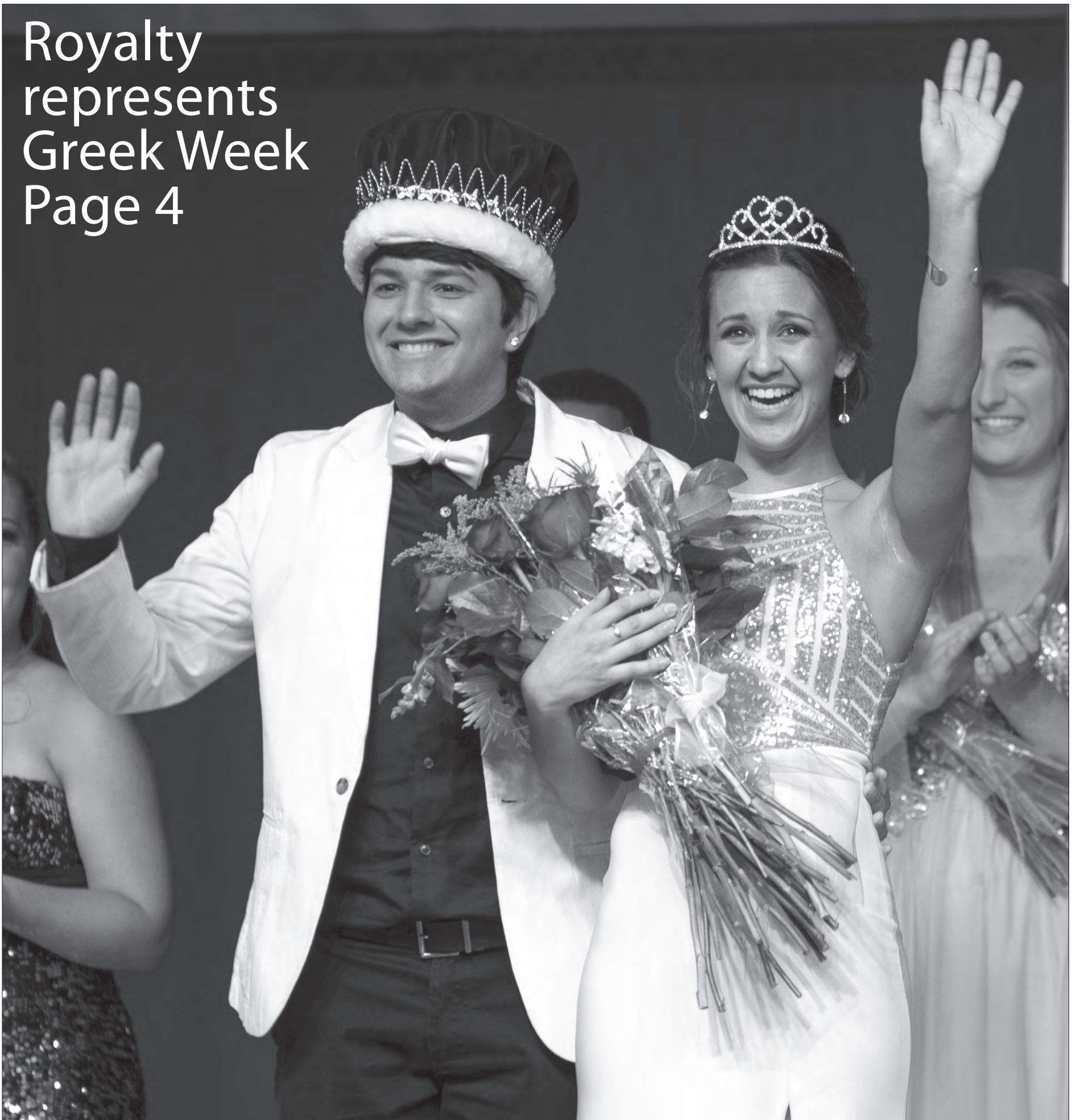
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Talia Persico, an Alpha Phi member, and Daniel Guerrero, a Sigma Phi Epsilon member, were crowned Greek Week King and Queen Saturday during the Airband competition. "The rush of excitement I received was unbelievable," Persico said.

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Pokken is a Japanese based combat game that is offered through the Wii U game pad or ProController.

Pokken: an enjoyable video game

Review by Andrew McCue
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There's been a shortage of quality fighting game titles on the current generation of consoles. Even recent releases like Street Fighter V have been short on content, at least at launch.

Nintendo, with the help of Namco-Bandai, has aimed to remedy that with Pokken Tournament, released on March 18 for the Wii U.

This game, a port of a Japanese arcade title from July 2015, fulfills the old dream of moving the ever-popular pocket monsters out of a turn-based RPG fighting style and shoving them into 1 v 1 real time combat, complete with colorful arenas, support Pokémon that players can summon mid-battle, and flashy finishing moves.

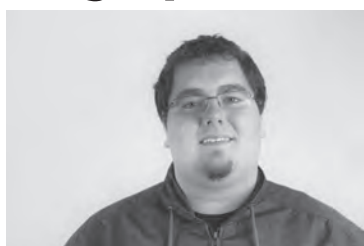
Overall, it's a blend of styles that holds surprising depth despite its lean roster and somewhat lacking single-player experience.

Pokken Tournament pits the player in a series of short, best-of-three matches against CPU-controlled opponents across multiple "leagues" of difficulty.

Players can challenge these leagues by choosing one of 14 partner Pokémon initially. Each character performs moves you'd expect them to, but unlike previous Pokémon games the type advantages don't matter in combat here.

Instead, Pokken uses a similar rock-paper-scissors hierarchy of moves: attacks beat grabs, counter-moves beat attacks, and grabs beat counter-moves.

These three options seem limiting, but in the midst of a fast-paced fight, players will have to outthink and outperform opponents while keeping this essential triangle of moves in their minds, as correctly using a dominant move will deal extra dam-



age in a Critical Hit.

Further accentuating the pace of the game is the Phase Shift system, where fights jump from the Field Phase, a 3D arena-style layout, to the Duel Phase, a traditional 2D fighting game field.

Each Pokémon's move sets change depending on which phase the battle is currently in, some only slightly, while others gain an entirely new way of dealing with foes.

A powerful attack triggers the jumps back and forth between the two styles of combat, with small bonuses such as better positioning and even health recovery for the player who executes the shift.

The battles themselves take place in delightfully animated arenas based on Pokémon-influenced takes on classic venues from fighting games.

There's Neos City, the stereotypical urban setting now flooded with pedestrians and their Pokémon; Ferrum Dojo, a training ground where all manner of Fighting-type Pokémon can be seen bulking up in the background; Dragon's Nest, a long plateau wreathed under the statue of a giant Legendary Pokémon and more.

These stages each brim with more personality than you'd likely see in a typical fighting game thanks to their unique background elements and visual effects. The game's soundtrack, keeps this fantastic sense of energy and pacing moving between battles.

I've talked about speed a lot in this review, and for good reason—everything in Pokken moves fast.

This can be daunting to fight-

ing game newcomers, but Pokken accommodates with a tutorial and training mode.

Outside of that, the aforementioned main story of the game offers nearly 100 battles against gradually more powerful CPUs to help prepare players for the real meat of the game: online fighting.

If there's one thing this game gets right, it's online modes, where matches are made within seconds, regardless of the distance between players.

In my over 100 online battles I had only two instances of lag, and all button presses either on the Wii U gamepad or Pro Controller (the game's two control options) felt accurate and responsive.

The only downsides of Pokken Tournament come from its roster lineup. A maximum of 16 Pokémon can be unlocked, with 15 more pairs of Support Pokémon sets that can be unlocked for quick assists mid-battle, but this accounts for a mere fraction of the cast of characters the series has sired in its 20 year existence.

With no DLC expected from Nintendo in the future, it's likely many gamers will miss out on seeing their favorite monsters as playable fighters.

The game is deceptively simple in its execution, blending elements of many other fighting series both old and new to create what is ostensibly an excuse to punch a Gengar in the face with a Machop.

Plus, there's a free demo for the game available on the Nintendo EShop, so any Wii U owner with an Internet connection can try it out now. If that's not enough to get gamers excited to play, I don't know what is. I see Pokken Tournament as a "super effective!" addition to any fighting game fan's collection.

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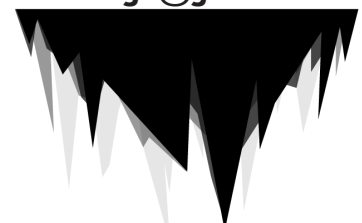


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Several students volunteer to be a part of the exhibition team. They are responsible for building the parts for all of the artwork displayed in the 'Making Illinois' exhibit.

Tarble to exhibit 'Making Illinois'

By Mercury Bowen
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The Tarble Arts Center is set to unveil the historical administration graduate class of Spring 2016's exhibition "Making Illinois" this weekend.

The themes of the exhibition include land, people, and experience and all of these themes are central to the overall theme of exploring the Illinois experience and what it means to be an "Illinoisan."

Rachel Tavaras, a graduate assistant at the Tarble Arts Center, said the exhibit has been in production since August. She said last semester was more focused on theoretical ideas, such as honing large ideas into what artifacts would go in the exhibit.

This semester has been more hands-on in trying to physically put together the conceptual ideas from last semester.

"You don't need to be born in Illinois and bred in Illinois to be a part of Illinois."

-Mary Challman, member of the historical administration class

Mary Challman, another member of the historical administration class, said that the name of the exhibition also focuses on the broader idea of production by people in Illinois.

Challman said that the biggest difficulty the team faced was that the idea for "Making Illinois" was so big and the exhibition team had to narrow it down.

"For people, we're looking more at the human interactions," Challman said. "Experience is more about applying meaning to the human experience."

According to Tavaras, distinguishing between people and experience was also difficult for the team.

Tavaras said it is difficult to

talk about Illinois without talking about the whole state, but that the exhibition team has tried to focus on East Central Illinois to tap into the locality of it.

Challman said that there is about a 50-50 split between native Illinois residents and "outsiders" in the historical administration class, and that it is interesting to see the Chicago versus the rest of Illinois divide.

She also said that the idea that the team has been grappling with from the beginning is "What makes East Central Illinois special?"

Tavaras said that it has been difficult to showcase that without dipping into the tension of the urban landscape versus rural landscape of Illinois.

"We didn't want to indulge that (tension), but instead tried to make everything look equally important in its own way," Tavaras said.

Kyle Dickson, another member of graduate class, said that the team was really focused on trying to keep the show local, as well as asking the question what it is to be an Illinoisan.

Dickson said that even within the group of people present there were three different backgrounds. Tavaras was born and raised in Illinois, Challman is from out of state, and Dickson moved to Illinois from Los Angeles in middle school.

Challman said that what makes the "Making Illinois" exhibit so interesting is that fact that it is on a college campus where there are students from both in state and out-of-state, and recently the team has been even more focused on keeping the exhibition Eastern-centered because of the Fund EIU movement.

"You don't need to be born in Il-

linois and bred in Illinois to be part of Illinois," Challman said. "(We are) showing very brashly and boldly to people like Governor Rauner and the Illinois state government that Eastern Illinois University is an essential community."

Tavaras said to do this exhibit is really important for everyone who lives in Illinois.

"It's been a really special time to do something like that because a lot of these little localities do feel threatened," Tavaras said. "Being able to show what makes them so special is really a unique opportunity."

The opening reception for "Making Illinois" will take place on Friday from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. at the Tarble Arts Center. The exhibition officially begins on April 9 and will close May 29.

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Babymetal mixes genres, defies expectations

Review by Stephanie Markham
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At first, the mix of the two opposing genres takes a minute to process, but give Babymetal a chance to settle into your ears and you might be pleasantly surprised at just how powerful the mashing is.

Babymetal consists of a base group of masked musicians well versed in modern styles of metal, called the Kami Band, and three teenage girls who provide vocals in the style of J-pop, or Japanese pop music.

Open-minded listeners who want a taste of something different can give the band's second full-length album "Metal Resistance" a try.

Released last Friday, the album contains strong, energizing tracks that are fun to listen to while stretching the boundaries of multiple genres in a brilliant defiance of



convention.

The album opens with "Road of Resistance," a colorful collaboration with the lead guitarists from British power metal group DragonForce.

The DragonForce style of speedy, dual guitars perfectly complements the epic atmosphere created by the Babymetal sound, making for a solid welcome track to the album.

The next song is the lead single, "Karate," which kicks in with chugging riffs in a Killswitch Engage style and establishes the degree of heaviness that follows for most of the rest of the album.

Each song has individual character, infusing various elements from melodic to death metal and thrash, all topped off with a layer of high-pitched pop vocals.

Many listeners, especially metal fans, will find the vocal style hard to palate.

Even for listeners of mainstream pop, this style is different in its distinctive Japanese touch.

But for the J-pop/idol style the girls emulate, they are well-trained singers. Su-metal, who takes the lead on most songs, really begins to show her skills.

Her voice carries the album, as she is able to sustain high notes and create anthems out of a kaleidoscope of songs.

Babymetal switches things up even further on the song "No Rain, No Rainbow," a ballad toward the end of the album, pushing the boundaries even further on what can

be considered a metal album.

The album may not seem unified, but the experimental element creates for an interesting set of songs, and as a sophomore effort, "Metal Resistance" seems to be leading the band in the right direction.

Aside from an English version of the closing track "The One," most lyrics are in Japanese, but that should not create too much of a detachment for those who cannot decipher precisely what is being sung about.

Babymetal songs have definite mood and impact regardless of their specific words; this band and its music are quintessentially Japanese, and one cannot appreciate their art fully without welcoming the musicians' native language.

However, "The One" as an attempt to connect more with international audiences certainly works on this album.

Babymetal has gotten more worldwide attention lately with the release of "Metal Resistance;" the band is currently on a world tour and performed on an episode of "The Late Show With Stephen Colbert."

Undeniably, Babymetal will not resonate with certain audiences; even some diehard fans of metal or J-pop do not find the meshing appropriate to the aesthetics and appeal of either genre.

However, Babymetal is becoming hard to ignore and could be considered an important innovator for breaking down musical and cultural barriers later down the line.

At the very least, give Babymetal a chance and take a listen to what "Metal Resistance" has to offer.

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Greek Week royalty represents community

By Kalyn Hayslett
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Daniel Guerrero, Sigma Phi Epsilon fraternity member, and Talia Persico, Alpha Phi sorority member, were shocked when they were inducted into Greek royalty last Saturday as 2016 Endless Summer Greek Week King and Queen.

Just simply being nominated by his house was an honor but winning was an exciting and humbling experience, Guerrero said.

"The whole week I had butterflies in my stomach," Guerrero said. "I was so excited all the hard work with the house was being noticed and it paid off."

However, Guerrero said walking in the gym with close friend Olivia Link was one of his favorite parts.

"It was awesome and super fun to walk down with him. We danced a bit of the salsa the whole way down the aisle to 'Suavemente!,'" Link said. "I felt so proud and happy for him once he was called King. No one deserves it more than him."

Alpha Phi sorority vice president Michala Wood said Persico was nominated because of her dedication to the sorority and her caring personality.

"She is genuinely nice to everyone she meets, and she is a highly respected member of our chapter," Wood said. "She is the perfect woman to represent Alpha Phi as well as the Greek community as a whole."

Both Guerrero and Persico joined the Greek community freshman year and have been active in their chapters ever since.

After seeing the coronation for the first time, Guerrero personally set a goal to eventually run for King because he thought it would be a cool experience.

"I remember watching it and I said, 'I would love to do that,'" Guerrero said. "I would have never thought as a baby freshman that I would get a chance to do this."

After the nomination the Greek members go through a process in preparation for coronation.

The first step is accepting the nomination, the second step is completing the application, and the third step is



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Alpha Phi sorority member Talia Persico gets crowned by Mackenzie Buob, last year's Greek Week Queen. Persico and Sigma Phi Epsilon fraternity member Daniel Guerrero were crowned the 2016 Greek Week royalty at the Airband competition Saturday in Lantz Arena.

a series of interviews from the judges and the last step is encouraging peers to vote for them.

The scores of each candidate determines the winner and the total score is made up of 20 percent from their peer's votes, 20 percent from the application responses and 60 percent from the interviews.

Three judges interviewed each candidate separately to determine who would best represent not only their chapter but the Greek body as a whole.

"It felt great to represent our house. I want to make our house as great as it can be," Guerrero said. "I just try to be a great representative."

The role of Greek royalty is to honor members in the Greek community who have impacted their chapter, have held an executive position, who demonstrate their chapter's credo and who can represent Greek unity.

Wood said all of the members con-

sider Persico a friend and a role model because of her involvement with the sorority.

"Two months into her joining the house she ran for a position on the executive board, and of course, won," Wood said. "In addition to being a leader and holding positions, Talia is always involved in everything going on in the chapter."

Guerrero has participated in Airband, Greek Sing, Pyramids, painted banners, Cans for Construction and the Unity Stroll.

This year, Guerrero was one of the coaches for Greek Sing which was a new experience for him while he also participated in Airband.

"Being able to coach was cool because I could help make the dance moves and pick the harmonies," Guerrero said. "I was proud of the guys that did it because they all did a great job."

Sigma Phi Epsilon fraternity won

first place in the Greek Sing competition on Sunday.

Persico, who participated in the coronation, was also a part of the Alpha Phi Tugs team.

The Tugs competition requires all of the members to use physical strength and energy to get the opposing sorority or fraternity members into the Campus Pond.

Alpha Phi sorority won the second round and will advance to the final round of Tugs.

"You can always count on Talia to be wearing a big smile and a positive attitude at all times," Wood said. "She is also hardworking and devoted to everything she gets involved in."

Both the King and Queen actively participated in Greek Week events and even though it can be time consuming it is all worth it in the end, Guerrero said.

"Greek Week in general is a cool way to bring Greeks together," Guer-

rero said. "You get to work with your brothers and it brings us closer for the better. I think it makes the brotherhood and sisterhood stronger."

Both the King and Queen are known for being social and for being open to talk to any one regardless of membership.

"She consistently puts others before herself," Wood said. "Talia is genuinely nice to every person she meets."

Guerrero said he wants to use his title to continue to spread unity and be a bridge of communication to all the Greek community members.

"I have always been a person who can talk to anyone in Greek life. I try to branch out," Guerrero said. "I always try to spread Greek unity. Realistically, we all can all be each others brothers and sisters."

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Campus greenhouse serves as learning tool for students

By Raquael Logan
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A variety of plants and bugs call the H.F. Thut Greenhouse, the large clear structure beside the Life Sciences Building, their home on campus.

Built in 1962, the Greenhouse serves as the biology department's botanical conservatory and is a facility for growing plants to use for research and classroom instruction.

The creation of the greenhouse has a colorful and unorthodox history, similar to the plants.

Dr. Hiram F. Thut, the greenhouse's designer, knew the university would be cutting the budget in half so he designed the greenhouse to be twice its original size.

After the budget was cut, Thut was able to get the size he actually wanted.

The plants in the greenhouse range from Venus Fly Traps to regular houseplants.

Steven Malehorn, manager of the Thut Greenhouse, said the most popular and unique plant in the greenhouse is the Titan Arum, or Corpse Flower.

"The Thut Greenhouse is the most noteworthy and (is) remembered as the place where the Corpse Flower is kept," Malehorn said. "What's special about this plant is that it blooms and opens up overnight."

Malehorn said people do not have to be a biology student to get a whiff of the tremendously large Corpse Flower.

"When it blooms, it smells like rotting meat; you can literally smell it from a mile away," Malehorn said.

In cultivation, the Corpse Flower generally requires seven to 10 years



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The blooming Corpse Flower is one of the many exotic plants in the Thut Greenhouse.

of vegetative growth before blooming for the first time. After its initial blooming, it is difficult to predict the next time the plant will bloom.

Some plants may not bloom again for another seven to 10 years while others may bloom every two to three years.

The greenhouse offers biology students a science-based understanding and helps them develop an appreciation of the plants.

Students can benefit from the botanical resources and the body of knowledge about the plants while professors can enjoy the increased opportunities for teaching and research.

Some people might overlook all of the hard work that goes into keeping up a greenhouse.

Malehorn said love and care for the plants is needed to keep the greenhouse in its best shape as well

as a lot of weeding and watering.

"In the spring, I plant the basic annuals," Malehorn said. "I get a variety of plants each year; most are perennials and grow year after year."

Planting in the greenhouse never stops as it is necessary for the greenhouse to be able to offer all of the plants.

The greenhouse also contains the Dawn Redwood plant, which was originally thought to be extinct. This plant was only found in fossil record until the 1940s.

A small grove of the plants were discovered in China and then were planted around the world.

Fortunately, the greenhouse features many of these Dawn Redwoods along with other native plants.

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