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## 17TH STRAIGHT LOSS

The Eastern women's basketball team lost its 17th game in a row Saturday to Morehead State.

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## WALK THE RUNWAY

Couture Models' hosted their "Mad House" fashion show Saturday night.

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## CUPB discusses budget, enrollment

By Cassie Buchman  
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President David Glassman talked about the consequences of not having a state appropriation and said the university had no comment on the Federal Communications Commission spectrum auction at the Council on University Planning and Budgeting meeting Friday.

Glassman said the next few weeks are pivotal for higher education in regards to how it will end up at the end of the fiscal year and how Eastern will conduct itself for the remainder of the semester.

"It's incredible that we don't have a budget by this time, it's incredible that we don't have appropriations at this time, it's incredible that we don't have (Monetary Award Program) reimbursements at this time, but that's where we are," Glassman said.

Glassman said Eastern depends on the appropriation it gets from the state to operate and those in Springfield are aware of that.

"We're fighting for ourselves, and we're also fighting for higher education in the state," Glassman said.

Glassman is preparing a statement to update the campus on what is happening.

He said the implications to Eastern will depend on whether or not the university gets funding.

"If we get funding, with everything we did at the beginning of the year, the position's just right to have a balanced budget and be completely strong with no problems," Glassman said.

The appropriation was originally going to be cut by 6.5 percent for the year, but Gov. Bruce Rauner asked for a 31.5 percent reduction.

"Right now, it could be minus 100 percent, we've got no appropriation," Glassman said. "So you can imagine that we are not in a position to just be status quo and run the rest of the year without making some difficult changes if we don't get an appropriation."

These include major cuts in spending in the university that are "non-instructional."

Glassman said if the implication is that Eastern would not get an appropriation from the state until later in the year, or not at all, the university will have to start looking at additional layoffs and additional furloughs.

"It's just the nature of the budget that we're dealing with right now," Glassman said. "I am hopeful; I remain optimistic that in the next few weeks they'll resolve this."

Glassman said something would have to happen by about mid-February or they would soon start cutting non-instructional spending and begin a complete hiring freeze no matter what the position is.

"Obviously, I don't want to do layoffs of a lot of people and then find out the week later that we have an appropriation," Glassman said. "I have to time it, but again, we have to get through our semester and do that for our students."

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Tyshawn Love, a sophomore communication studies major, sings during the march from Thomas Hall Monday. The Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity held this march and vigil that followed to commemorate Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

## Alphas host 29th annual march, vigil

By T'Nerra Butler  
Multicultural Editor | @DEN\_News

Quiet hymns filled the campus as around 70 campus community members marched to commemorate Martin Luther King Jr.

With lit candles placed inside cups to fight the bitter cold, those members marched from Thomas Hall to the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union. Lyrics to the song "Let My People Go," and "We Shall Overcome," were heard while they made their way to their destination.

The men of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity held Monday evening's candlelit march. This event brought out members from other Greek organizations such as Phi Kappa Theta Fraterni-

ty, Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity and Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority and others.

Tom Yimes, senior general studies major and a part of Phi Kappa Theta, said the fraternity comes to the vigil every year to show that they care. He said they like to preach Greek unity and by supporting other Greeks, they are practicing what they preach.

"We've done multiple events with them in the past, and it shows we care," Yimes said. "We love the (National Pan-Hellenic Chapter)."

Yimes said almost the entire chapter of their fraternity showed up to support.

Mike Embry, an Alpha Phi Alpha alumnus said it is good to see those who came.

He said it is important for people to understand the contributions and sacrifices made by King.

"It's important to look at those things so that we can be where we are now as humanity, not just as black people, but as Americans," Embry said.

Embry said King's legacy is now and will forever live on.

"We are not that far removed in years as our parents and grandparents, having to endure the things that happened back in the 50s and 60s and before that," Embry said. "We have constant reminders of things that shaped who we are."

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## Rauner memo calls out universities

By Cassie Buchman  
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In a memo from Governor Bruce Rauner's deputy chief of staff for legislative affairs Richard Goldberg, Rauner told lawmakers that state universities should be more accountable for their spending before the state finds money for tuition grants, according to the Sun-Herald.

The memo took a shot at Eastern for "paying" \$627,000 over 13 years to lobbyist Loreta Durbin, who is the wife of Senator Dick Durbin.

Paul McCann, in regards to these comments, said Eastern used Durbin's company Government Affairs Specialists, Inc. from Jan. 14, 1998, through Jan. 31, 2012.

"Government Affairs Specialists acted as our liaison to the Capitol," McCann said. "Government Affairs Specialists, Inc. did not lobby for the university. When lobbying was necessary, the university sent people from campus to do so."

The university paid Government Affairs Specialists, Inc. \$627,093.10 from 1998 through

2012, or an average of \$44,792.36 a year, for their services.

"As our liaison, Government Affairs Specialists kept us informed about what was going on in Springfield and acted as a conduit for communication with the legislature," McCann said. "We believe that they provided a valuable service to the university."

McCann said he did not know where the Governor's remarks put Eastern, but the university would continue to work on receiving an appropriation from the state.

He said Eastern has "plenty of ways of being held accountable," including providing the budget and letting people look at it, and auditing financial statements.

Richard Wandling, chair of the political science department, said he was concerned that the Rauner administration was pulling out the worst-case examples as representative of higher education spending in Illinois.

"Anytime you look at government spending, or for that matter, private sector spending, eventually you're probably going to run into some examples of bad choices or inappro-

priate spending and certainly that's an unfortunate reality," Wandling said.

He said it was a reach to say these choices represented a pattern in higher education.

"Rauner's chief of staff has obviously found an example of questionable spending by Eastern Illinois University; it obviously raised ethical questions. On the plus side for Eastern, that practice did stop," Wandling said. "I think it's unfair to trot out an example from some years ago as a way of saying anything about what is happening at institutions like EIU in 2016."

He said there was no evidence of Eastern wasting funds.

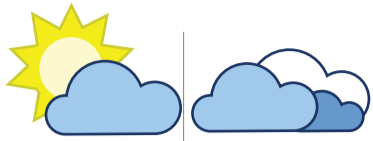
"EIU is as bare bones as it could possibly be in regards to its budget," Wandling said. "Part of the reason we are so bare bones is because the state of Illinois has not come through with a budget for us."

He said comparing Eastern and institutions that have had excesses in the past are like comparing "apples and oranges."

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# I love jiu, man



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Benjamin Smith, a resident of Charleston, and Larry Conlin Jr., a resident of Sullivan, practice Brazilian jiu-jitsu techniques Saturday at their dojo in Mattoon. Smith said jiu-jitsu helps him learn how to be comfortable in uncomfortable situations.

# Council to discuss alcohol permits

By Lynnsey Veach  
City Editor | @DEN\_News

The city council will look at amending an ordinance on alcoholic beverages at their meeting at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday at Charleston City Hall.

At the meeting the council will be looking at amending Ordinance Title 3, Chapter 3: Alcoholic Beverages, specifically alcohol permits.

One of these amendments is to change the part of the Ordinance that says "No person shall hereafter engage in the business as a retailer of any alcoholic liquor within one hundred feet of any undertaking establishment or mortuary."

The amendment states "the distance of one hundred feet shall be measured from building to building and not to property boundaries."

Another resolution to be proposed on the agenda is authorizing the de-

struction of audio or video recordings of closed session meetings.

The third resolution on the agenda will be approving agreement with the Illinois Department of Revenue for an Alcohol Enforcement Pilot Program, with the staff recommendation of waiving the layover period and approving the program.

According to the agenda, a new ordinance making new stop intersections at 5th Street and Van Buren Avenue are in the best interest of the community.

According to the ordinance, it will be unlawful to drive any vehicle into the intersection of Fifth Street and Van Buren Avenue without first bringing the vehicle to a full stop.

The Veterans of Foreign Wars Post #1592 has submitted a raffle license application so they can raise funds for the benefit of the community and local veterans.

According to the raffle license application form, tickets will be sold at the VFW and personal pawnshop starting Jan. 10 and will end when the tickets run out.

The Eastern Illinois University Police Department submitted the second raffle license application form.

According to the raffle license application form, the raffle will be Jan. 27 through March 9, tickets will be sold in order to support fraternal order and raise awareness through police work.

The tickets will be sold on Eastern's campus and the surrounding area, with the winners to be announced at the Eastern Police Department on 5 p.m. on March 9.

Mayor Combs will be announcing his appointment of Bob Newell to a three-year term on the Charleston Carnegie Library Board of Trustees.

Newell will fill the seat vacated by

Allen Lanham, who submitted his resignation from the Charleston Carnegie Public Library Board of Trustees along with his retirement from Eastern.

Another announcement that will be made by Mayor Combs is his re-appointment of Kathryn Morice to a three-year term on the Historic Preservation Commission.

The mayor's re-appointment of Lexe Volk and appointment of Jill Nilsen to five-year terms on the Board of Zoning Appeals & Planning will also be announced at Tuesday's meeting.

The public is welcome to attend this and all City Council meetings, which are held on the second floor of City Hall. The meetings are on the first and third Tuesday of each month.

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### BLOTTER

## Theft, cannabis complaint reported

- A theft was reported at Lantz at 8:33 p.m. Wednesday. The incident is under investigation.
- A cannabis complaint was reported at Lawson Hall at 12:06 a.m. Thursday. The incident was referred to the Office of Student Standards.
- Jonathan Craig, of 708 S. Stalling, Newman, was arrested at 3:12 a.m. Friday near Taylor Hall for driving while license suspended. He was released at 3:49 a.m. with a notice to appear.

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## What's Happening on Campus?

<b>Theatre Department Open Auditions for Spring Productions   5:30 PM</b> Globe Studio - Doudna Fine Arts Center Room 1080
<b>Booth Library Tours   10:00 AM, 1:00 PM and 5:00 PM</b> Booth Library, North Lobby
<b>Rubber Lovers   6:00 PM - 7:00 PM</b> Come learn the basics of safer sex. MLK Union

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# Models bring daunting edge to Eastern

By T'Nerra Butler  
Multicultural Editor | @DEN\_News

With precise pivots and lingering stares, the Couture Models' brought the "Madness" with their "Mad House" fashion show Saturday evening.

Walking down the center of the Grand Ballroom, in a straitjacket and hair covering his face, Couture's specialist Jalen Washington snapped his head back, hair flying and gave the crowd a fierce look.

The show started with a feel of theatrics, when a group of models found themselves lost at a mad house. Those lost models had red bags put over their heads and throughout the show the organization stayed with that storyline. They continued the story, telling it in four scenes, which were described as the white, black, red and shade rooms.

Instead of using the stage for the show, the models used the length of the ballroom for the majority of the night.

In one scene, male models picked Andrianna Fullerton, the president of Couture, up in the air and carried her and her floor length black cape out of the room. Before her exit, she touched one of the male models making him seemingly faint, and he was dragged out of the room.

In the red room, two models, including Washington, walked the scale of the ballroom with snakes on their wrist. During this scene, models were seen with bloodied makeup covering their faces and many of the models shared the runway in coupled walks. Those coupled walks included the

women being twirled and dropped into the male models' arms.

During the shade room scene, models ditched the scarier ensemble and wore brighter clothes created by designer Tony D. Banks. Banks said because the show was dark, he pitched to Fullerton the idea of bringing in color to the scene.

He said some of the garments were already made, but others he had been making within the last few weeks.

"I wanted to bring a pop of light to the show," Banks said. "It's all about the arts. It's creativity, and it brings to the campus a flair of style and gives people a perspective of what's out there and what's going on that's trendy as well as classic."

Banks said he always thinks of his pieces as classic designs that people can put on today and in five years still be able to wear them.

Brittany Davis, a sophomore early childhood education major, said events like "Mad House" bring excitement and enjoyment to Eastern. She said a big goal for Couture is to bring in a diverse crowd and she thinks shows like this one promote it.

"Couture itself has a pretty diverse group, and it's fun because I learn stuff from them and they learn stuff from us as well," Davis said.

Parrish Amos, a freshman education major, said the occasion brought something peaceful and thrilling to students.

"A lot of people don't go to events but this event looked like it got a lot of people out to support and that in itself is a great thing," Amos said.



SUBMITTED PHOTO

Couture Models' applaud after Andrianna Fullerton, Couture Models' President, delivered a closing speech during the last portion of the show titled "Mad House" Saturday in the Grand Ballroom of the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union.

Outfits throughout the night ranged from fake blood soiled tees to gowns and dressy wear. One style that was seen throughout was the flowing capes that the female models wore. Models also wore leotards, plunge-necked dresses and casual wear.

The dance group Rhythm & X-Tacy also did a performance that correlated with the night's theme of a mad house. One dancer approached the stage with a Freddy Krueger glove on her hand and

they danced to a mix of songs. The performers wore cut up shirts, which were soiled with fake blood and black pants.

Aigner Nash, a senior health studies major, said for Couture's first show they did "phenomenal." She said she is looking forward to seeing what else the organization has in store for the rest of the semester.

"I think everybody kept their own style and still had a chance to express themselves," Nash said.

Fullerton teared up after the show when presented with flowers from models in the RH School of Performing Arts.

Fullerton said she worked with the school and its owner since the age of 11. Each model now enrolled had a rose in hand as they waited for the model to come out of the ballroom.

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# HOPE seeking help from campus community

By Lynnsey Veach  
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Since it is only the third week of the New Year, students might be looking for opportunities to volunteer in the community for their "new year, new me" resolutions.

Housing Outreach Prevention Education has volunteer opportunities for community members and Eastern students.

Angie Hunt, who has been the housing program director at HOPE for over 15 years, said the organization is a comprehensive domestic violence program offering a wide variety of free, confidential services for anyone impacted by family violence.

HOPE's mission is to empow-

er people to live nonviolent lives through the provisions of housing, outreach, prevention, and education.

"When we are successful, the community is successful," Hunt said.

Hunt said there are many ways for Eastern students to help HOPE such as by donating their time.

Organizations such as the National Pan-Hellenic Council, TRiO, Student Government, the Sociology/Anthropology club, EIU FEM, the Student-Athlete Advisory Committee, Student Association of Family and Consumer Sciences, Student Community Service, Pemberton Hall, members of the Aging Studies program, the Gateway program and the Psychology club, volunteer with HOPE.

Hunt said Greek organizations on

campus also help out HOPE, including Zeta Phi Beta Sorority Inc., Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc., Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority Inc. and Delta Sigma Theta.

EIU FEM and women's studies are producing The Vagina Monologues on Feb. 25, 26 and 27, with some of the proceeds going to HOPE.

Hunt said volunteers and attendees would be needed for this as well.

"Honestly, we get so much support from EIU students," Hunt said.

Hunt said HOPE needs volunteers throughout the year, and there are many ways for Eastern students to get involved. There are internship opportunities every semester in their Housing and Children's Advocacy programs. Hunt said students that partic-

ipate in these opportunities and donate their time can gain practical experience.

"Volunteering is a wonderful way to gain practical experience, but it also looks great on a resume," Hunt said. "It's also a wonderful way to give back."

HOPE has several major fundraisers and events throughout the year such as Bowls of HOPE, which is scheduled for Feb. 23.

Hunt said this is an event that needs many volunteers, since it gives HOPE funds for the year.

Hunt said there are always different projects that need student assistance, from organizing HOPE's storage units to their holiday program. Students and any volunteers in-

terested in working directly with the clients can do so in HOPE's 40-hour Domestic Violence Training Program.

Hunt said she hopes and suggests students continue to volunteer since HOPE does help people in their age group.

According to [futureswithoutviolence.org](http://futureswithoutviolence.org), "One in five women will be the victim of attempted or completed sexual assault during her college years."

Hunt said if students are interested in volunteering at HOPE, they are encouraged to call the office at 217-348-8815.

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Lauren McQueen

## Be involved but set aside free time

When I first started at Eastern my freshman year, I chose to get involved in several different organizations all over campus.

Between walking around at Pantherpalooza and recommendations from my sister, who was a senior here, I ended up biting off more than I could chew.

For the past two and a half years, on top of classes and homework, I've been constantly going to meetings for different groups.

While I would encourage everyone to get involved in something they enjoy, I would also tell them not to overdo it.

I didn't get involved with *The Daily Eastern News* until my sophomore year.

Looking back, I should've been in there from day one instead of joining half a dozen other organizations that won't really help me with my professional career.

I'm not saying you should only join RSOs if they're going to benefit you in your chosen field. You should also join them based on your interests outside of your major.

And among other reasons, join them to make friends. I've met some of my best friends through the RSOs I've joined in the past couple of years.

But this can also make it difficult to quit if you do find yourself in over your head.

Once you join a group, it's hard to say no. You feel like you have an obligation to the other members to be there every week and help out as much as you can.

That can be a problem when you have several other groups to cater to as well.

Instead of joining every organization that intrigues you, maybe choose one or two that you are really interested in and give them your all.

It means a lot more if you're seriously invested in one or two groups instead of barely participating because you're involved in too many.

This is also one of the fastest ways to experience burnout in college.

Being overinvolved is stressful. You'll find yourself running to one meeting after another and putting your homework off until the very last minute. You'll also be stressed from having no free time.

Finding a balance between classes, homework, organizations and work takes skill. Having even an hour a day to relax is really important for your health.

Making sure you get enough sleep is equally important, and I know that's hard to do for any college student.

Setting aside time to watch a movie on a Tuesday night or to go out to dinner with your friends on Saturday makes all the difference.

College goes by fast, and if you're constantly busy, it will go by even faster.

Slow down, and take the time to enjoy it.

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## I Have a Dream

We hold these truths to be self evident, that all men are created equal...



CHRIS PICKARD | THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

## Staff Editorial

# What exactly has Rauner done in office?

It has officially been a little more than one year since Gov. Bruce Rauner took office in Illinois, and to say that his first year was a disappointment is an understatement.

The biggest concern that comes to mind when thinking of Rauner's first year is the fact that Illinois has somehow functioned the last six months without a budget and is now in month seven of a budget stalemate.

Despite this, Rauner said in an interview with CBS Chicago that he believes he did a good job in the position.

While he may believe that he did a good job, most of the state disagrees with the sentiment and is disappointed with the lack of work that was done in the year.

It is no secret that the budget impasse has affected Eastern, and this has been reported on several times by *The Daily Eastern News* and has been discussed in past editorials.

The lack of a budget has negatively affected higher education in the state, as universities have not received reciprocities. *Final Call News* reported on Jan. 12

that Chicago State University is facing an "uncertain future."

The budget impasse could force the university to close its door mid-semester.

Chicago State requires approximately \$5 million a month, according to *Final Call News*, but the university has been operating on reserves that have diminished to \$9 million.

A university that has been operating since 1867 is on the verge of closing because Rauner has not been able to agree on a budget with the Illinois General Assembly.

It is a harsh reality for the students, and Chicago State is not the only school suffering from the budget impasse.

In December, Rauner agreed to pay municipalities for things such as road salt and lottery winnings, but he said college and university operations would have to wait until a budget is agreed upon.

His actions show that he does not care about the state of universities in Illinois.

If Rauner wanted to help public universities in the state, he would have compro-

mised with Speaker Michael Madigan and others for a budget.

The budget is the most important thing in the state, but it seems Rauner does not have the time to pass one.

He still found the time in 2015 to approve of 237 new laws that took effect on Jan. 1, and he found the time to make pumpkin pie the official state pie.

Action is needed now, not later. Illinois lawmakers are not set to meet until after the Illinois primary on March 15, and the House is not set return until Rauner's State of the State address on Jan. 27.

Even with the lack of a budget, Rauner is still finding ways to spend money that Illinois does not have, which will impact Illinois taxpayers.

The budget is crucial right now for the state and as Rauner comes to the beginning of his second year, can anyone think of a positive impact that Rauner had on Illinois for his first year?

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

# Take the time to reflect on little things

Most people try to conjure up something to say they are thankful for around Thanksgiving, and even then they don't always put a lot of thought into it.

However, dedicating more than one day out of the year to contemplating what you are thankful for can be beneficial.

You don't have to go around saying "thank you" all day long, though letting people know you appreciate them is a nice practice.

Being silently grateful for what you have on a regular basis can improve not only your mood but also your overall outlook on life.

Although this can be easier said than done, taking the time to write down what you are thankful for every once in a while can help to make this type of thinking a habit.

I was inspired to start doing this a few months ago when reading the memoir "Dark Days" by one of my favorite singers, D. Randall Blythe of the heavy metal band Lamb of God.

In the book, Blythe talks about how making gratitude lists helped him both as a recovering alcoholic and during his time in prison, and he challenged readers to do the same.

He suggested those who have trouble getting started should write down that they are thankful to be breathing and go from there.

I took a few minutes to do this not think-



Stephanie Markham

ing I would go very far with it, but I actually have been keeping up with it and adding to it whenever I think of something new.

Before I knew it, I had more than 30 detailed entries on my list.

Doing this has actually affected my overall mentality. Whenever a stressful situation comes up, instead of dwelling on what I don't have, I shift my focus to what I do have despite the circumstances.

For example, Blythe explains in the book how he could have easily complained about the low quality food and living conditions in prison, but instead he thought of people in the armed forces who were not guaranteed three meals a day and a safe place to sleep.

In fact, it's easy to complain no matter

what your situation is.

Students complain about their annoying professors or having too much homework, when in reality getting an education is a luxury.

Something I often complain about is having to walk everywhere because of not having a car, so one thing I added to my gratitude list is that I have the physical capability to walk or run whenever I want to.

It may seem small, but to the person who cannot walk, it would mean everything.

As someone who has never been much of an optimist and who struggles with occasional depression, I've found that making a gratitude list is a simple way to bring a little bit of positivity into my everyday thought process.

Some people have a routine of relaying what they are thankful for through prayer, which is also a good way to remember to reflect.

For me, taking time for myself to write something, even though I'm the only one who will see it, is enough to remind me to put things into perspective during critical moments.

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Perry Benson from the department of communication at the University of Illinois was the keynote speaker for the evening after the march. He spoke about the call to action movement “Black Lives Matter.”

“Black lives do matter,” Benson said. “They have always mattered and will always matter.”

The program also integrated praise dancing from members of Apostolic Christians in Today’s Society Anointed Worshipers.

The dancers glided expressively onstage dressed in black flowing floor length dresses that held golden crosses at the center.

Awards were given out to two people who were either an influential student or faculty member.

Maya Pitts, a senior family and consumer science major, was awarded the Annie C. Singleton award and thanked the fraternity for honoring her.

Tina Leonard, a financial aid counselor, won the Alpha Image Award.

Contestants of this year’s Miss Black and Gold pageant recited King’s “I Have a Dream” speech.

The inspiration for the march came from the marches from Selma to Montgomery held in 1965.

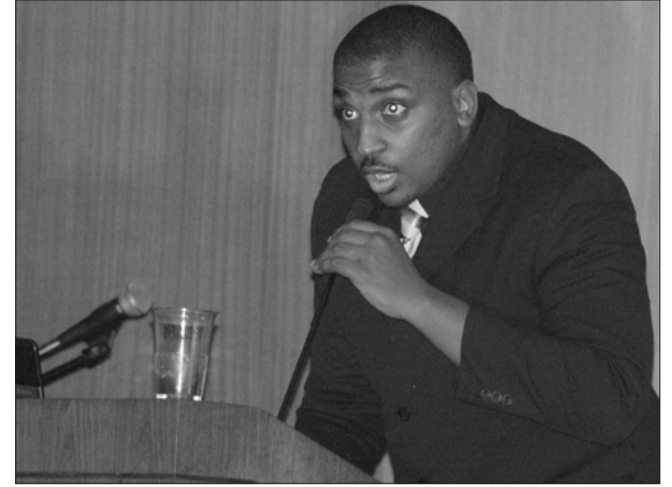
Darien Ghostone said this 29th annual vigil helps to continue the legacy of King.

He said doing community service and providing a sense of unity is important for campus and the Charles-

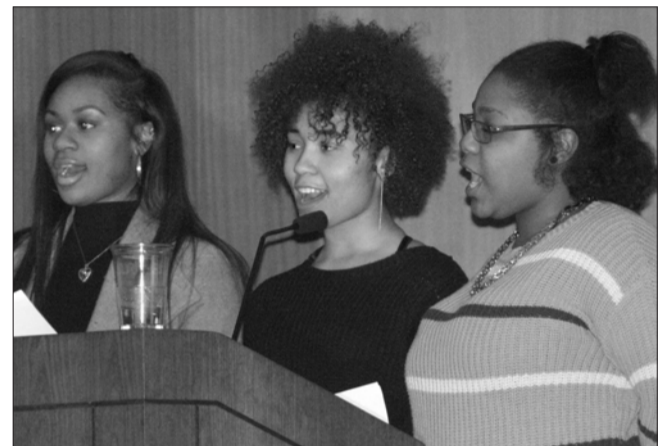


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Jessica Wallace, a senior health studies major, performs a praise dance along with other members of the ACTS Campus Ministries during the Martin Luther King Jr. Memorial event Monday in the Grand Ballroom of the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union.



Adolphus Barnes, an Eastern alumnus, describes what it means to be a leader during the Martin Luther King, Jr. Memorial event Monday in the Grand Ballroom of the Martin Luther King, Jr. University Union.



Junior pre-nursing major Janae Houser, sophomore health studies major Allison Oates and sophomore kinesiology and sports studies major Emonie Jordan recite part of the “I Have a Dream” speech Monday in the Grand Ballroom of the Martin Luther King, Jr. University Union. All three will be competing in the Miss Black and Gold pageant on Saturday.

ton community.

Ghostone said seeing other organizations around campus shows that the university is unified.

“It’s always special for people around the Eastern campus and Charleston area to come together to build a better place and a better world

that we’re all still searching for,” Ghostone said.

Members of Alpha Phi Alpha agreed the march is done every year as a way to recog-

nize the value of what King accomplished.

“What better way to honor him than to pay those same respects to him, as he has

done for us,” Ghostone said.

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» **RAUNER,** CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1

“What needs to happen is President Glassman and the Board of Trustees needs to be very proactive and direct in communicating with the Rauner administration how dire our budget is and how efficiently run we are,” Wandling said.

Wandling said this could conclude explaining how Eastern has pared down on its bud-

get.

“Our administration needs to work directly with our legislators to ensure the message is communicated very clearly to them,” Wandling said.

At Friday’s meeting of the Council on University Planning and Budget, Glassman addressed the comments made in Rauner’s memo.

Glassman said Durbin was

not lobbying for Eastern; she was instead a government relations person.

“They’re not sitting there lobbying saying get money for this, get money for that,” Glassman said. “They are finding out what’s taking place, what bills are taking place, asking us how we want to vote on bills and they are essentially our proxy to vote on bills.”

Glassman said they also tell the university to be aware of certain things going on.

“If we feel we have to lobby, then I go like I did on Wednesday to Springfield to talk to government officials and lawmakers and lobby for us,” Glassman said.

Glassman said in bringing up money spent on government relations, Gov. Rauner

and others were looking for instances that made the universities look like they are filled with money and using the money from state appropriations for lavish things.

“I would contend that Eastern is probably the best steward, and the history shows this, of taxpayers dollars,” Glassman said. “We are not only lean, we have high graduation rates,

high retention rates, high job placement rates, high student satisfaction.”

Glassman said the appropriation from the state was not a luxury to the school; rather it is needed to run and operate the university.

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» CUPB, CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1

Glassman said the two priorities the school has are the students and their academic excellence and the employees of the university and their payroll.

"It is a totally unbelievable situation in the state of Illinois," Glassman said. "It's as if they made EIU a private university without telling us."

On the topic of the Federal Communications Commission spectrum auction,

Glassman said Eastern had no comment on whether or not the university had filed the application to sell the spectrum for allotted WEIU-TV television operations.

"If I do say that we filed, it could affect other TV stations in the area as to what they would get," Glassman said. "It has been decided not to disclose (this information)."

Dominic Baima, a student representative on the CUPB, asked why the public forum on the FCC auction had not

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-David Glassman, Eastern president

been before January.

"It's something this committee should have talked about, because it is a large sum of money, possibly, most likely unlikely, and it's part of the planning," Baima said. "If you take that away, you're killing a vital part of the program."

He said having WEIU-TV was an important educational experience and by considering selling it, it seemed like they were bailing on the students.

"Just because of a couple dollars we might not even get?" Baima said. "(WEIU-TV) is vital for our community and students."

Glassman said he has read and answered emails from those who are against selling the spectrum, but there are others who think differently.

"I just think we feel blindsided by (the spectrum auction), especially students in journalism," Baima said.

Glassman said he is sensitive to the feelings of the students and journalism department.

Vice President for Academic Affairs Blair Lord also gave an update about enrollment for the spring semester.

"If you remember our fall figures, we were down just shy of seven percent," Lord said. "Typically, you would expect to see a similar reflection in the spring."

Graduate enrollment is up eleven percent, or 132 students from last spring.

Lord said he has been engaged with several units on campus and other institutions on trying to increase

Eastern's presence in the nursing programs.

At the meeting, Tim Zimmer, director of facilities planning and management, said they were down about 12 Building Service Workers.

He has asked a couple of academic departments if they can take some classrooms offline to maintain higher cleaning standards in other spaces.

"Otherwise, we clean every classroom every day," Zimmer said. "Every one of those classrooms we can take offline means we can dedicate resources to other areas and minimize the impact."

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The New York Times Crossword

Edited by Will Shortz No. 1214

- ACROSS**
- 1 Exiled leader of Iran
  - 5 Queries
  - 9 Rugby formation
  - 14 Like early vinyl records
  - 15 [Kiss!]
  - 16 Sonnets, odes and such
  - 17 National health insurance overhaul
  - 19 Range through Peru and Chile
  - 20 Clay monster of Jewish folklore
  - 21 Fed. agents
  - 23 \_\_\_ Lauderdale, Fla.
  - 24 Supply-side fiscal policy popularized in the 1980s
  - 27 "I'm paying"
  - 30 Commence
  - 31 Cat's cry
  - 32 Low-level Dungeons & Dragons monster

- 34 Puts a protective shield on
- 37 Dog's bark
- 38 Statement such as "They underestimated me"
- 40 Competition in which the winner always gets the last word?
- 41 Winter hand warmer
- 43 Record producer Brian
- 44 Lustful Le Pew
- 45 Benjamin of "Law & Order"
- 47 Nuclear reactor insert
- 49 Depression-era shantytown
- 51 Container in a dairy barn
- 52 Stopped working
- 53 Fundamentalist Palestinian group
- 57 Opposite of empties

- 59 Title held by the people who lent their names to 17-, 24-, 38- and 49-Across
- 61 Naval battle group
- 62 Gaze longingly upon
- 63 "Fare thee well!"
- 64 Seductive nightwear
- 65 Chick's place
- 66 Downward force felt on the surface of the earth, informally

- DOWN**
- 1 Airborne urban hazard
  - 2 Wanderer in search of work
  - 3 Rigidly uptight
  - 4 A to L and beyond, on a keyboard
  - 5 Channel for cinephiles
  - 6 Walks with a brash air
  - 7 Buddhist principle of fate
  - 8 Lusters
  - 9 Wellness retreat
  - 10 Verify
  - 11 Submarine in a Tom Clancy best seller
  - 12 Junkies
  - 13 Pioneering first-person computer game
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- 27 Muslim cleric
- 28 Hatcher who co-starred in "Tomorrow Never Dies"
- 29 Sentimental
- 33 Revolutionary Guevara
- 35 Vehicle seized for auction
- 36 Tournament front-runner
- 38 Wally's kid bro, in 1950s-'60s TV
- 39 Nonbelievers, to believers
- 42 Baited with incendiary remarks
- 44 Accept, as a lesser charge in exchange for admitting guilt
- 46 Stumble over
- 48 K-12
- 49 \_\_\_ Selassie, old Ethiopian leader
- 50 Threshold
- 51 Fizzling sound
- 54 Vicious
- 55 Initial money for the pot
- 56 Going without a date
- 58 Room where it looks like a bomb went off
- 60 Theater décor

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# Eastern women lose 17th-straight game

3rd quarter, turnovers doom Panthers

By Mark Shanahan  
Staff Reporter | @DEN\_Sports

The Eastern women's basketball team started off the game hot but fizzled out in the second half and lost their 17th straight game to Morehead State Saturday.

Junior Phylicia Johnson and freshman Halle Stull each earned career highs as they lead the Eastern offense.

Morehead State won the game, 85-77, during a big third quarter where they outscored Eastern, 22-13.

Johnson has earned playing time through her hard work in practice this season.

"I've just been working in practice a lot because I wanted to get that starting spot and I know I can bring a lot of energy to this team," she said.

Eastern shot 51.9 percent from the three-point line as they made 14 three pointers in the game, the most they have made in a game this season.

The loss drops the Panthers to 1-17 and 0-6 in the OVC.

Morehead State is now 7-12 and 1-4 in conference play.

Both teams came out of the gate quick as they were exchanging buckets.

Nothing changed from there in the first quarter as Eastern had the lead, 26-23, at the end of the first, the most Eastern had scored in the opening quarter this season.

Eleven of Johnson's 19 points came in the first quarter, as she was three for three from beyond the arc.

Eastern maintained its lead

through the second quarter, although Morehead State closed out the first half on a 7-3 run.

The Panthers led at the half, 41-38.

Head coach Debbie Black likes what she has seen from Johnson as of late.

"She brings energy for us," she said. "She rebounds for us. When she's shooting the ball that well that's even better. That's good stuff, that's positive for us and we just have to keep building on this as we play UT Martin on Thursday."

Eastern started to struggle in the third as Morehead opened up the second half on a 10-1 run to take the lead, 48-42.

The Panthers came back with seven straight points to regain the lead with 5:16 left to go in the third.

Morehead State shot 43.8 percent in the third and closed out the quarter on a 9-3 run.

Black was proud of the team's first-half effort, but sees the third quarter as a reoccurring problem.

"The third quarter seems to be our biggest problem," she said. "I felt in the first half we played as good of a game as we could've played."

Once Morehead State took the lead, they did not look back.

They led by as much as 13 points in the fourth quarter as they had an answer for every Eastern bucket.

Morehead State also won the rebounding battle, 52-39, and that helped them outscore Eastern in the paint, 40-18.

Black has been stressing the importance of rebounding to her team all season.

"People will score, but defense is going to win games and rebounding," she said. "If you can do that and we haven't been really good at it and there's a reason why our record is what our record is."



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Junior guard Phylicia Johnson scored 19 points during the Panthers' 85-77 loss to Morehead State on Saturday in Lantz Arena.

Eastern will wrap up its three-game home stand against UT Martin on Wednesday.

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# Track, field teams finish strong at invite

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The men and women's track and field teams continued to find success as the men finished the Illini Classic in second place overall and the women finished in third.

The men finished the meet with one first place finish and four second place finishes for Eastern.

The women had three first and second place finishes.

Senior Amy Yeoman continued her early season success as she earned her

second straight first place finish in the 800-meter run. Yeoman improved her season best time in the event with a time of 2:14.63 seconds.

Junior Bryn Buckwalter had the longest shot put in the meet with a put of 45'10.75". She had a second best mark in the weight throw with a distance of 48'03.25".

Senior Janie Howse also competed in the weight throw and shot put with teammate Buckwalter. She had the best finish in the weight throw with a throw of 53'07.25" and the second best mark in the shot put at 42'09.50".

Senior Amina Jackson had the second best time in the 600-meter run with a time of 1:37.40 seconds. The women's team finished the Illini Classic in third place overall with 85 points.

The home team, Illinois, took first place in the women's division with 142 points. Western Michigan finished in second place with 109 points.

Northern Illinois came in fourth place, while St. Louis, Bradley, Loyola, Butler and Northwestern rounded out the final standings for the women.

For the men, freshman Ashton

Wilson had the best finish for them with his height of 6'05.50 in the high jump. Junior John Piper had a time of 8.40 seconds in the 60-meter hurdles, which earned him a second place finish. Senior Calvin Edwards had the second fastest time in the men's 200-meter dash with a time of 22.11 seconds.

The men also earned second place finish in the pole vault and the long jump. Senior Eric Gordon had a finishing height of 14'01.25" in the pole vault. Sophomore Davion McManis had a distance of 22'07.00" in the long

jump.

The Panthers finished the meet second overall with a total score of 98 points. Illinois also took first place for the men with a total of 185 points. St. Louis finished the Illini Classic in third as Loyola, Bradley and Butler finished out the standings.

The men and women's teams return home next Saturday as they host the EIU John Craft invite at the Lantz Fieldhouse.

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## Seniors end final home meet with success

By Sean Hastings  
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The Eastern men's and women's swim teams celebrated senior night on Saturday and the women were also able to celebrate a pair of wins against Western and Butler.

The women defeated the Leath-erneckes for the second time this season, 125-76, and Butler by just one point, 102.50-101.50. The men lost to Western, 121-84.

The men and women combined for a total of 10 first place finishes in the meet and they were also able to bring home 11 second place finishes.

Eastern honored the 10 seniors in the swim program prior to the meet. Dylan Ferguson, Jake Roberts, Kyle Ruckert, Bridgette Bowen, Caitlin Danforth, Kelsey Ferguson, Laura Horvat, Beth Houghton, Kaylee Morris and Joann Wakefield were all recognized for their respective careers as Panthers.

"Senior night is always bittersweet," coach Jacqueline Michalski said of the 10 seniors who she has coached the last two years. "The more time I spend with a group of seniors, maybe the more bitter it is because I'm sad to lose them."

Michalski added that the bond between the seniors on each team is very strong.

"Jake (Roberts) and Kyle (Ruckert) are inseparable at times and it causes a lot of funny, funny moments and Dylan (Ferguson) is one that kind of helps keep them in line," Michalski said.

The women's bond began when they all came in freshman year. All seven have been here together since the beginning.

Morris and Wakefield started their nights off strong by helping the 200-yard medley relay team win the first event of the night with a time of



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Junior Fallyn Schwake swims in the 1000 yard freestyle event Saturday at Padovan Pool. Schwake placed third in the event and the women's swim team defeated Butler and Western Illinois in the meet.

1:50.67. Freshman Lauren Oostman and sophomore Dani Dimatteo were on the team as well.

Roberts and Ruckert also had strong starts to their senior nights by going 2-3 in the men's 1000-yard freestyle.

Roberts had another second place finish in the men's 500-yard freestyle with a time of 4:56.94, just .31 seconds behind Cameron Van De Velde of Western.

For Ruckert, Ray Padovan Pool became a second home.

"Saturday, definitely was emotional," Ruckert said. "When Elliot (McGill) recruited me to swim here, I still remember walking into Ray Padovan Pool for the first time. Then over my four years, the pool became a second home for me, that I was honored to

swim in given its history."

Morris, as she usually does, won the women's 100-yard freestyle with a time of 52.45.

Another senior who had a top place finish on her senior night was Kelsey. Kelsey finished first in the women's 100-yard breaststroke with a time of 1:09.65.

She also earned second place honors in the 200-yard individual medley at 2:15.48.

While the seniors only have a few weeks left in their swimming careers, they have made impacts on the younger swimmers in just one year.

Oostman is just one of the swimmers who has looked up to the seniors in the short time they have been together.

"Even though I haven't gotten to

know them for that long, I got close with some of the seniors and they have helped motivate me throughout this whole season," Oostman said. "If I ever need someone to talk to, I have them to talk to which is a great feeling."

Oostman also had a strong night in the pool for the Panthers. She was a part of the 200-medley relay team that took first place, she won the 100-yard backstroke with a time of 1:00.47 and took second in the 200-yard freestyle with a time of 2:02.80.

Fellow freshman Martee Grainger won the 200-freestyle at 2:01.79.

She had an in-season best time in the 200-yard medley relay at 28.71 and in the 200-freestyle at 2:02.80.

"I actually was not expecting that in any of my times,"

Oostman said. "I'm very happy with how I swam (Saturday)." This was the Panther's first meet since Dec. 4.

Michalski said she was happy with how the teams came back.

"We posted times that are pretty impressive for our first meet back," Michalski said.

The women were also shorthanded for the meet and were able to beat a full-strength Butler team by just a point.

"It speaks well for the program and it is showing where our women's team is going and even our men's team to kind of swim that fast, it's really boding well for our program."

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## Men's basketball team wins in OT thriller

By Maher Kawash  
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The Eastern men's basketball team came back from a 13 point deficit to defeat Morehead State, 84-82, in overtime on Saturday afternoon.

With two minutes to go in the game, the Panthers trailed by eight points, and their hopes of winning dwindled away as each second ticked off the clock.

But after a few defensive stops from Eastern, as well as some missed free throws from the Eagles, the Panthers found themselves right back in the game.

Freshman Casey Teson had the biggest moment of his young career as he hit the game tying three-pointer with 6.2 seconds left on the clock to send the Panthers into overtime.

The Panthers carried the momentum into overtime and kept Morehead State on the ropes with an early three point play from junior A.J. Riley.

Eastern never looked back from there as they went on to win and improve to 6-12 overall on the season, as well as 3-3 in Ohio Valley Conference play.

"We've had our issues trying to figure out how to win, and there are a lot of reasons for it," Eastern coach Jay Spoonhour said. "So to win a game, that you are not supposed to win like this, is a good thing for us mentally."

Riley was the story for most of the night for Eastern, as he went on to finish with 22 points to lead the team.

"We have been really working hard as a team, so to let another game slip away just was not an option," Riley said.

Cornell Johnston also played an important role in the team's victory as he scored 15 points while adding 10 assists as well.

The Panthers had three players who scored in double digits as Demetrius McReynolds was able score 14 points, while shooting a perfect 6 for 6 from the free throw line.

"We are a bunch of different guys who were able to help us win, and that is good to see," Spoonhour said. "It is a good sign that we are able to win games with different guys stepping up."

While the Panthers received solid play from multiple players, it was Teson who shined brightest with his game-tying three.

Teson scored just nine points in 22 minutes, but his three was one that may turn the season around for Eastern.

"It doesn't get bigger than that three from Casey, especially since he is just a freshman," Riley said.

The Panthers struggled in the first half to defend the Eagles, as Morehead State went into halftime shooting 56 percent from the field as well as 60 percent from behind the arc.



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Junior guard A.J. Riley scored 22 points in the Panthers' 84-82 overtime win over Morehead State on Saturday in Lantz Arena. Riley currently has 209 points on the season averaging 11.6 points per game.

But improvement was clear from Eastern as they forced Morehead State to shoot 33 percent in the second half as they completed the comeback.

"We were getting beat off the dribble in the first half, but we were able to make an adjustment in the second half and stay in front of

them," Spoonhour said.

After picking up two straight conference wins at home, the Panthers may be hitting their stride at the right time with a big OVC match-up against Murray State coming up.

Eastern will now hit the road for two games before coming back to Lantz Arena to play UT Martin as

they continue to make up ground in the standings.

"I think the guys are starting to feel like they are playing well, so you don't want to get in their way when they feel like that," Spoonhour said.

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