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A soggy commute



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Cars drive through flooding at the intersection of Lincoln Ave. and Fourth Street around 11 a.m. Wednesday. Officers directed traffic away from the intersection in the early hours of the day. Flash flood warnings were issued for the Charleston area at several points during the day.

NATION | EQUALITY

Supreme Court rules on same-sex benefits, voting protection rights

By Robyn Dexter
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The Supreme Court named a key part of the 1996 Defense of Marriage Act unconstitutional Wednesday.

By lifting the implications of the act, same-sex couples are no longer denied benefits that make a marriage less worthy than a heterosexual marriage.

The Supreme Court justices said the act violated equal protection laws, and it was passed 5 to 4.

President Obama issued a statement while aboard Air Force One to Africa, expressing his approval of the court’s decision.

“The laws of our land are catching up to the fundamental truth that millions of Americans hold in our hearts: when all Americans are treated as equal, no matter who they are or whom they love, we are all more free,” he said in the statement.

Richard Wandling, a political science professor, said the repeal of DOMA is a major advance in securing basic liberties and rights of same-sex couples.

“The DOMA ruling will be seen by generations of scholars and activists as an important milestone in the movement toward a more inclusive society,” Wandling said.

Same-sex couples will no longer be second-class citizens in the eyes of the federal government, he said.

“The rulings, however, do not represent a full extension of rights across the United States, since most states have laws and regulations against same-sex marriage,” Wandling said. “The rulings do not require states with more conservative approaches to marriage really to do anything different.”

Wandling said though the ruling is a step in the right direction, there is a fine line between individual rights of due process and equality, and states’ rights.

Yolanda Williams, the director of minority affairs, said she is excited about the Supreme Court’s decision.

“We still have a ways to go and some pieces we need to put together, but as a first step, it’s awesome,” she said.

Williams said she believes the repeal of the act will lead the formation of different views on campus.

“This can show people on campus that we’re just like everybody else,” she said. “There is no difference on how we love, and the federal government is saying it as well.”

Abby “Bug” Wilburn, president of EIU Pride, said she is “pretty pumped” about the DOMA repeal.

“It’s just a landmark win for the movement,” she said. “More than

anything, it gives people a little hope after the state of Illinois was essentially put on hold.”

Wilburn said she hopes the buzz about the repeal will inspire community members to read more literature about equal rights movements.

“This is what we need to get going,” she said. “I really hope that within my lifetime I will see full equality – that’s the ultimate goal.”

The day before the DOMA repeal was passed, a key part of the Voting Rights Act, which allows nine mainly southern states to change their election laws without advance approval of the federal government, was struck down.

There have been many negative reactions to the decision, rooted in civil rights and racial discrimination in voting.

“While the DOMA ruling is a milestone in the history of civil rights advances, it is unfortunate that it came in close proximity to a ruling that has great potential to do significant damage to the cause of rights in the electoral arena, from access to the ballot booth on through candidate choices related resulting from legislative redistricting,” Wandling said in reference to the Voting Rights Act decision.

He said he does not have much hope that Congress will be able to

handle the decision in a positive way and make the voting process more accessible.

“I am not optimistic about the ability of a polarized Congress to come up with reasonable and fair implementation guidelines to deal with the complexities of contemporary efforts at suppressing the vote and in general making it more difficult to exercise basic rights to participate in the political process,” Wandling said.

Williams said in order for positive outcomes in these decisions, everyone has to work together.

“Tuesday was a big hit on people of color, whereas Wednesday was a big ‘yes’ for the LGBTQA community,” she said. “For the future, we need to work all these points together, just like we do here on campus.”

Williams said though the excitement about the DOMA repeal is justified, people should not forget about the Voting Rights Act decision Tuesday.

“What happened Tuesday was four steps backward, and what happened Wednesday was three steps forward,” Williams said.

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CAMPUS

EIU Pride to acquire resource center

By Cayla Maurer
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A new office will be open this fall for the LGBTQA and EIU Pride groups in the Cultural Center on Seventh Street.

The LGBTQA Resource Advisory Committee was formed six years ago by Dan Nadler, vice president for student affairs, to look at the quality of student life issues and the needs of the students.

The committee is made up of students, faculty and staff members at Eastern. The committee is broken down into four action groups including: LGBTQA Academic, OUtreach, Grants and Funding and Safe Zone project.

“We wanted to get a group together, re-implement the safe zone training and create some kind of resource center,” Nadler said.

The original idea for the resource center did not mean a physical space, but rather access to the website and giving people access to that information.

Mona Davenport, director of minority affairs, helped set aside space in the Cultural Center for the new office.

“We have a designated work space, but we also have access to the whole center,” Nadler said. “If we want to do a program, event, activity... we have space for it.”

The advisory committee did fundraising for the new office as well as donating personal funds. Volunteers have stepped forward with time and money to the committee for supplies and equipment.

Students involved in EIU Pride will also be working in the office to keep the line of communication open to the students.

Lynette Drake, director of Health Services, has been the chair of the advisory committee for the last few years and will continue with that role.

Drake is in charge of gathering resources for the center such as free DVDs, brochures and pamphlets, and magazines without having to fundraise.

“The advisory committee advises vice presidents and various different groups on campus,” Drake said. “We will advise (Nadler) on things that he needs to work on for us.”

The LGBTQA WebCenter and the new office will not only be for students but faculty and staff too.


“We’ve come along way. There was a lot of conversation for a long time and I’m just really happy we’re getting things accomplished,” Nadler said.

The LGBTQA and EIU Pride office will have an official opening in the Cultural Center in August.

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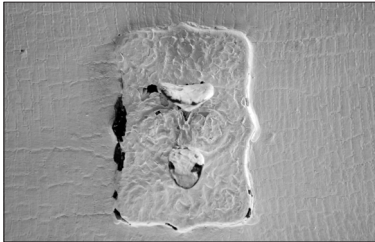
White paint is slowing chipping off of the original brick siding.



Nine layers of wallpaper line the closet of the second floor hallway.



Bargeboard trimming casts a shadow on the house.



An old style doorbell trigger still adorns the current front door.

By Robyn Dexter
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Editor's Note: This is the fifth and final installment in a series focusing on old, historical houses in and around the Charleston area.

Karenlee Spencer ran by the house constantly on her regular route when she attended Eastern more than 40 years ago. To her, it sat majestically on a little hill – the perfect little cottage. The first time she saw it in 1972, she said to herself, “Someday, I’m going to live there.” Spencer has lived in her nearly 150-year-old home at 834 10th St. for 10 years. The house, a hall-and-parlor-style cottage built in 1866, was originally built by a returning Civil War soldier for his bride. The style, Spencer said, essentially means the space of the home is divided up into two large rooms with a hall across the front of the house. “It was a very simple place when it was built, but there was an addition added in 1900,” she said. The house also has some components of the Gothic Revival style, including bargeboard and a steep, pitched roof. The structure of the house is brick and features a wood-frame addition that was built on after the original structure. At one time, there was a porch that ran alongside the wood addition of the house, but it has since been removed. Spencer said she is not sure when the porch was removed, but she is glad it was. “I think it just destroyed the integrity and simplicity of this little cottage,” she said. After Spencer moved in, she and her family and friends spent every day renovating and cleaning the house for nine months. Work included gutting the up-

stairs and downstairs bathrooms, gutting the kitchen and taking off nine layers of wallpaper in every room. “Down to the original plaster, the house had never been painted,” she said. “Wallpaper was the thing back then.” Though it is not original, Spencer left the wallpaper up in her studio that was there when she moved in. “It’s probably from the early 1900s, and it’s pretty funky,” she said. During the renovation process, Spencer, her family and friends had some interesting experiences, including the time they decided to take down the drop ceiling in the kitchen. “I was up on a ladder and had just started unscrewing the first piece of framing, and the entire ceiling fell on me. I was laughing so hard because I was literally under a whole pile of those icky ceiling tiles and all this metal.”

-Karenlee Spencer, homeowner


ceiling fell on me,” she said. “I was laughing so hard because I was literally under a whole pile of those icky ceiling tiles and all this metal.” Spencer said the bathrooms were a huge project because everything had to be re-plumbed and re-wired. The wiring was from when electricity had first been installed in the house. Spencer keeps a little photo book documenting the process of renovating the house that includes a before and after picture of the day she closed on the house. After five hours of yard work that included mowing the grass and trimming trees and bushes, Spencer said the house was finally visible from the road like it used to be.

“That day, people pulled over to the curb, got out and were shaking our hands, saying thank you for saving the house,” she said. A couple years later, Spencer said her ex-husband did a lot of work to the front of the house, replacing storm windows and repairing bargeboard. In 2008, they won an award from the Historic Preservation Commission for all the work that had been done to save the house and its history. Spencer found out through neighbors that the plot of land the house sits on had been a farm previously, and the property backs up all the way to Seventh Street, leading to an extensive, 400-foot-long back yard. “There’s no Eighth or Ninth streets that go through here,” she said. “It’s like a park that just extends all the way back.” Spencer had previously lived on 137 acres of forest, so the large yard was a selling point to her. Though she said it probably does not add value to the property, the yard was perfect for raising children. The back of the yard has a small basketball court and an apple orchard, which Spencer said she thinks was planted at the time the house was built. From what she can tell from the original abstract of the house, it has been through seven families. “It was passed down every time someone passed away,” she said. “I’m the eighth family to live here.” Some of the other original com-


ponents of the house include an old hat box found in the attic, about 85 percent of the original wavy glass windows and the exposed three-course brick sills. Spencer found out the house used to be a boarding house in the 1960s and 70s, and the upstairs bedrooms were rented out to college students. “When we first moved in, we found sinks in every closet upstairs,” she said. “They would have a sink in the closet and a hot plate to cook.” Spencer said over the years, people have stopped at her yard sales and told her they used to live in one of the upstairs bedrooms during their college years. “I always feel like I’m sharing this house with whomever,” she said. “This is a house you just have to share with people – it’s too wonderful.” When they did renovation on the house, including floor work, Spencer said they found out the house is supported by 28-foot-long oak beams. “That’s essentially a whole tree,” she said. “This house has been through tornadoes and earthquakes, but it’s a darn sturdy house.” The staircase to the upstairs was added on after the original construction of the house, and Spencer said it has been a challenge trying to figure out where it was originally. The front staircase is wide and directly ascends through the front door entrance. “If there’s one thing I don’t like about this house, it’s that I wish the stairs weren’t here,” Spencer said. “When you come in the front door, there’s really no foyer or gathering space.” Up the stairs, Spencer’s house features bedrooms with large closets, a bathroom with a claw-foot bathtub and a long, narrow storage space at the top of the staircase. “There are chimneys in all of the rooms, too,” she said. “There was probably a small gas stove in each room.”

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Homeowner restores residence from the ground up



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Karenlee Spencer stands in front of her 19th century home. Spencer said the original homeowner was a Civil War soldier and built the home for his bride. The house is a hall and parlor style cottage.

During their initial inspection of the house when they first bought it, Spencer said she and her ex found out the mud room addition to the house had a slightly slanted floor.

“He started kicking in the corner and noticed it was sort of falling in,” she said. “We learned there was a cistern in that corner, and the mud room was caving into it.”

As they filled in sand around the cistern and repaired the foundation to make the room stable again, Spencer found out her house was one of the first in Charleston to have a cistern.

“That meant they had a water supply,” she said. “It was very modern at the time.”

In the early 1900s, Spencer said a massive tornado ripped through Charleston.

A pile of rubble in Spencer’s backyard serves as a reminder of the storm.

“I like to dig out there every once in a while, and I find really old pieces of pottery,” she said. “All of the damaged houses across the street were just pushed into this pile in my backyard.”

Though she said keeping up with her house is no easy task,

Spencer treasures everything about it.

“I truly love everything about this house,” she said. “It looks like a little magical cottage, and I’m glad it was saved.”

Though Spencer said maybe someone else would have restored the house, she is glad she got to be the one to have such a big influence on its renovation and preservation.

“I’m amazed. I actually live in my dream house,” she said.

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Spencer points to a photo of her home taken after she moved in. The above photo is one of the home when it was purchased.

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Dan Carpenter

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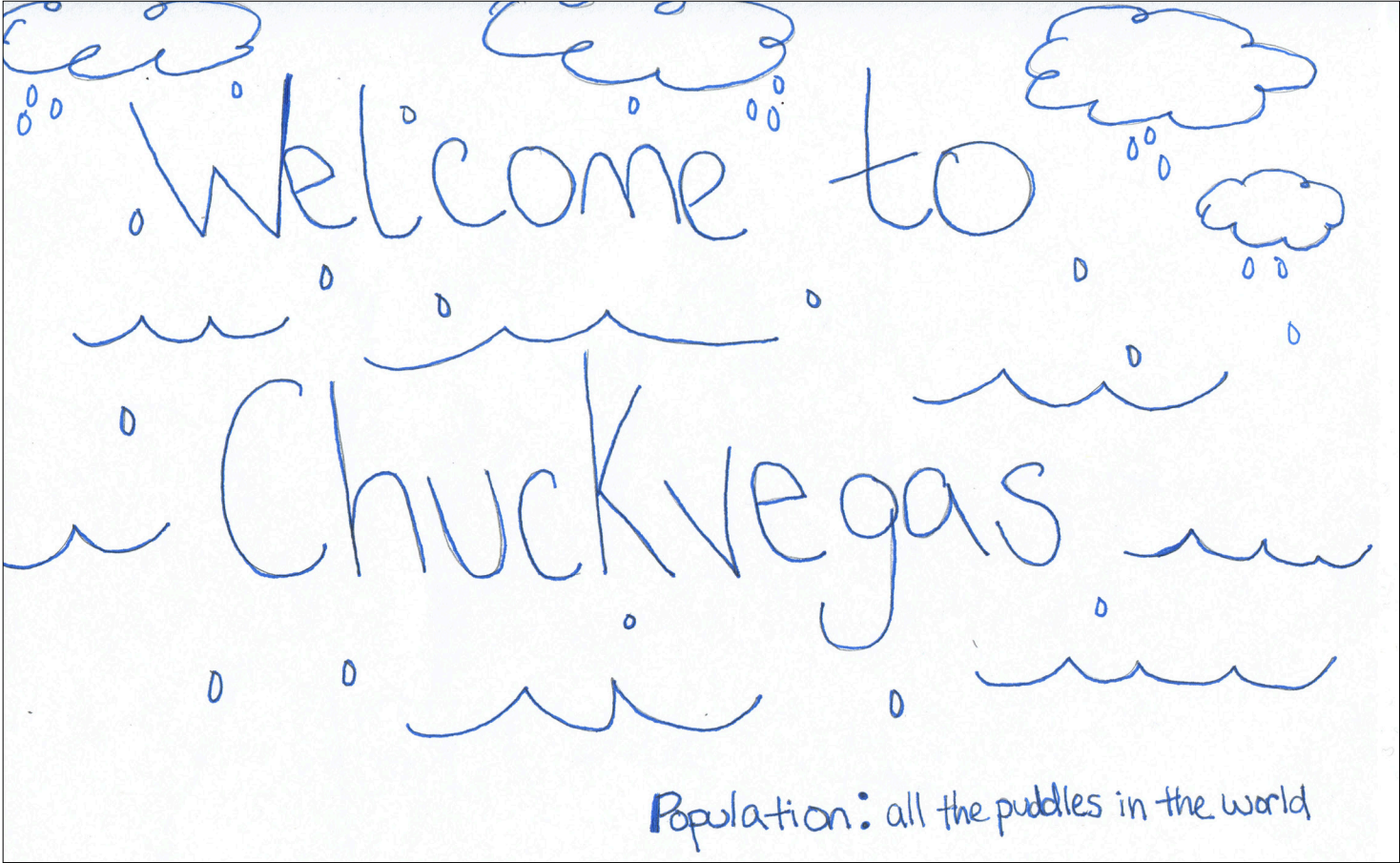
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STAFF EDITORIAL

Minority rights could be better even after DOMA ruling

Wednesday's ruling on the Defense of Marriage Act brought the United States one step closer to the unblemished equality its people deserve.

The Supreme Court decision brought same-sex couples one step closer to the rights they deserve.

This monumental move has taken Illinois Senate Bill 10, which allows for the equal rights of same-sex couples, out to the limelight by supporting the rights of same-sex couples on the federal level.

However, the court's ruling was a single victory in the fight for liberty and freedom in our country.

On Tuesday, the Supreme Court removed Section 4 of the Voting Rights Act, which was the 1965 law created to defeat the disenfranchisement of minority voters.

OUR POSITION

- **Situation:** The Supreme Court overruled the Defense of Marriage Act and removed minority protection in the Voting Rights Act.
- **Stance:** Although the removal of DOMA is a huge step forward in minority rights, the Supreme Court should not have taken away minority voter protections.

Section 4 basically says states, counties, cities and other jurisdictions that have a history of discriminating against minority voters have to be cleared whenever they update or change their voting laws.

The removal of Section 4 of the Voting Rights Act is a direct hit to the minority community — it is an underhanded blow to the rights and freedoms of every United States citizen.

By removing the protections of Section 4 of the Voting Rights Act and then, the following

day, removing the federal ruling against same sex marriage the federal government has moved the rights of minorities in the United States sideways instead of forward.

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

Everydayisanend-of-the-worldscare

In the last three years, the world has experience two highly publicized end of the world scares: The Rapture and December 21, 2012.

Although our survival of Y2K and countless other conspiracies should have provided a sense of security, something about the earth is always reminding us how finite it is.

When I heard about this week's "super moon," Earth's closest encounter with the moon in 2013, I was sure the world would be in frenzy, and when it wasn't, something seemed off.

The moon is something that puts people into perspective, and the bigger it looks, the smaller we'll feel.

History would suggest that having up-close, visual reminder of our mortality would be frightening.

I can only resolve that most peoples' fear of death is in some way intermingled with the idea of what it means to be alive — drawing from this that we must expect ourselves to do some massively important things.

Of course if the world comes to end, nothing can be worthwhile.

According to our fixation with the moon, this may be a thought worth combatting.



Katie Smith

Without delving into religion or a lack thereof, no one truly knows what happens when we die.

An explosive, flaming demise being more frightening than a close-up look the moon may have a lot to do with where the line between fearing for your life and fearing of your death is drawn.

Fearing your death indicates needing more time - that you as a single entity need to be in tact physically to exist, while fearing for your life implies a hesitance to cut your legacy short.

The difference is the implication of a legacy at all.

To put it simply: Are we fearful of dying

because we truly value our lives, or because we haven't seized the opportunity to do so?

We exist and perhaps have a thirst to do something selfless- a thirst that may not be ours to quench.

I'm not a particularly religious person; so on a spiritual level death may be less about where we end up and more about what is left behind.

The world is going to exist until it stops.

Whether you strive to spread positivity or hate, the state of the world is dependent upon what we put into it.

Our deaths then, are only corporeal.

The sky might be a comforting implication that we, as people don't really matter.

Rather, that each of us is only one small part of a finite place, but perhaps our actions, not our bodies, have the potential be unbounded.

As Walt Whitman proposed in his poem, "O Me! O life:" "The answer is that you are here- that life exists, and identity; That the powerful play goes on and you will contribute a verse."

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Sparks will fly



AMANDA WILKINSON | THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS
Gary Fuller, a building service worker, welds together two pieces of steel in a workshop in the Doudna Fine Arts Center Wednesday. Fuller was helping weld a piece in the series “Transparent Hollow Empty Box” by Jeff Boshart, an art professor. Boshart has several pieces from the series going to Iowa, South Bend, Ind. and the Quad Cities.

Dean position to be filled

By **Amanda Wilkinson**
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Patricia Poulter will be ending her 19-year career at Eastern on June 30, leaving the associate dean of the College of Arts and Humanities position open. Four candidates from four different departments in the college have applied for the position. Dean Bonnie Irwin has asked all faculty and staff members to comment on the applicants, Chris Mitchell, a theater arts professor, Grant Sterling, a philosophy associate professor; Glenn Hild, chair of the art department; and Nora Small, a history professor. Irwin said the interim position would be one year and was only open to Eastern faculty. A large part of being associate dean is being able to manage detailed work and dealing with student complaints and grade appeals. Irwin listed in an email, some of the usual duties of the associate dean as being a part of the college assessment committee, curriculum committee, grade appeal committee, supervising summer school planning and maintaining building and health codes. Sterling said if he were to be selected for the position, he would like to keep teaching since the position is only for a year. While he teaches philosophy, Sterling said he hopes he will have a chance to work with budgets on a larger scale.

“I’ve always been good at working with numbers and budgets and analyzing data,” he said. Sterling said the field he is in works well with the college administration position. “Philosophy is a field where you deal with arguments and reason,” he said. “Here’s a problem. Here’s a question. Now you try to analyze it and get clear about exactly what the question is that you’re asking, what reasons they’re holding this view, what reasons they’re holding that view and working through them.” Many of the philosophy alumni do not get jobs specifically in their major, Sterling said. “They get jobs, nevertheless, which they can use those sorts of reasoning and critical thinking skills,” he said. Sterling said the open position was an opportunity to delve deeper into budgets and try out an administrative position. Hild has been the art department chair for 17 years and said the open position was an opportunity to move up a level in the college administration. “The interim position would allow me to try something new before I actually retired,” he said. “The opportunity presented itself and I thought I would throw my name in the hat.” Hild said the associate dean position is different from his current position as chair. What the associate dean does it

much broader because it covers the whole college. “I’ll probably oversee some budgetary things but they may not be quite as detailed as the ones that are happening here at the department,” Hild said. Being an adviser to about 100 students a year and being the art department chair will help him if he is selected, Hild said. Small has been at Eastern for 18 years and currently works as a history professor and the historical administration program coordinator. After talking with Poulter about the position, she said, in an email, she thinks what she does now such as curriculum revision and development and student advising align with the associate dean position duties. Small said working with both undergraduate and graduate students will help her with the associate dean position. “In my 18 years here I have developed a great deal of respect and empathy for our students,” she said. Small said she is familiar with what she may be doing as the associate dean from her work as a coordinator and professor. “My strengths lie in being able to collaborate and cooperate, none of what I do is accomplished by myself,” she said. Mitchell said in an email that he would miss full-time teaching but he would enjoy the interactions he would

have with students and other faculty. He said he has many responsibilities such as developing and assessing accreditation for the theater arts department and summer school planning that are similar to the associate dean’s position. “I also have done advising for many years and would adapt well to addressing student concerns in the position,” Mitchell said. He said being a theater person who can adapt to various audiences, he will be able to represent the college well. Irwin said all four candidates have strengths that will help the position. “I was actually really pleased at the four people who stepped forward,” she said. “I thought they were very representative of the college community but also very strong in their own right.” Once she receives all of the comments about the candidates on July 1, Irwin will look through each of the resumes again. She said she hopes to have an interim associate dean by mid-July. However, Irwin said Poulter will be hard to substitute. “On one hand, as a person, she’s irreplaceable because she’s done so many things so well,” she said. “We have some very talented people in the college who will do the job very well but they’re not going to be Patty. It’s just going to be a different feel for a while.”

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CAMPUS BRIEF

Observatory to explore galaxies at open house

The EIU Observatory is hosting an open house at 9 p.m. Friday. The open house will enable attendees to view a selection of galaxies in Virgo. Even if it is cloudy, the facility will be open for tours. Eastern’s observatory, which features a state-of-the-art, 16-inch Schmidt-Cassegrain telescope, is located southwest of the Campus Pond.

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Arrest made at Weller Hall

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Book Review



Cayla Maurer

New Mr. Grey in town

Get ready ladies and gentlemen, there is a new dominatrix fiend in town. He’s hot, sexy and completely broken. What’s not to love?

Gideon Cross. Tall, dark and emotionally damaged. But what woman (or man) doesn’t like a good project to work on?

The third book in the Crossfire series, “En-twined With You,” will make Christian Grey look like a little boy next to Gideon.

At the end of the second book, “Reflected in You” Gideon and Eva Trammel, Gideon’s lover, were in a bad place mentally, emotionally and physically.

Gideon is involved in a murder investigation, Eva is worried enough for the both of them and to top it all off, the trust issues they both have with one another bring them to their breaking point.

As the third book starts, Eva is trying to wrap her mind around the fact that Gideon killed for her. Gideon is trying to understand why Eva does not see his love for her.

It’s a backwards, totally idiotic relationship that makes absolutely no sense and would never last in the real world but you will flip the pages so fast they might rip in half.

Throughout the third book, the relationship finds a steady pace and trust is built from the foundation up.

But the sneaking around and lies eventually catch up to them. Cary, Eva’s best friend, calls her out on her lies when Eva is never home to hang-out or help him deal with his life.

But the whole book is not all gloom and doom. Talk about hotter than lava sex scenes. Whew! This book is a porn in word form. Get ready to have a mischievous smile.

(Be prepared for smokin’ hot sex scenes in the shower and on Gideon’s plane that will make you feel so dirty that a shower will be needed.)

The down side of this book is that their pasts keep coming back to haunt them. CAN THEY JUST BE HAPPY ALREADY?!

Also, the book ends abruptly. It just stops and you are led to believe that the trilogy is over. But, thankfully author, Sylvia Day, decided to turn the triolgy into a quintet.

The good news is that the characters are always doing something to irritate the reader or make them fall harder for the love story.

Also, while Gideon has some stalkerish tendencies, you cannot help but want to have your phoned tracked like Eva’s is.

But in all reality, we all know the world of dom and sub relationships are real. Therefore, we all hope that we can find a tall hunk that would spank us without batting an eyelid.

Keep your eyes peeled for the fourth book in the series.

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PERFORMANCE PREVIEW



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Mary Maddox, a member of the Past Forward memoir-writing group, reads her memoir during the “Past Forward Summer Theatre” rehearsal Tuesday at the Charleston Alley Theatre, 718 Monroe Ave. The staged reading includes 12 memoirs written by local residents.

Reliving memories
Charleston residents to share stories at reading
by Amanda Wilkinson

The Charleston Alley Theatre will be presenting local family histories, travels and different music during a staged-mem-oir reading called “Past Forward Summer Theatre.”

Twelve Charleston locals will share their memoirs, along with two others who will read poems and excerpts from books.

The staged-memoir reading, directed by Duke Bagger, the president of the theater board, features authors experiences with sharks, a fear of cement mixers and shrunk-en heads.

The reading will be performed at 7 p.m. June 28 and 29 and 2 p.m. June 30 at the theater, located at 718 Monroe Ave.

Janet Messenger, a retired elementary art teacher, said people wrote a story that inter-ested them.

Each person in the staged-memoir read-ing is a member of the group “Past For-ward.”

“Some of them are doing family histories so they have written stories about what they remember, maybe in elementary school or learning to drive, their first date,” Messen-ger said. “It’s just a fun thing to do. All you need is a piece of paper and a pencil, and you’re in business.”

Messenger wrote a story from the point of view of her dog, Milo, winning first run-ner-up in a competition.

“In 2010, they had in the newspaper, Pawsitively Best Pet Contest, so I entered him” she said. “He kept a diary of how it went and think about what he might have to say.”

Messenger said she and Milo were really excited to win.

“He’s a spunky little character,” she said. “He’s taken a fancy to writing about his ad-ventures in his world with humans.”

Phyllis Bayles, the marketing board member for the theater, wrote a story about the Greek music and dancing called “Dance Lessons.”

The background for the story comes from her Greek father who immigrated to the United States on a boat.

“He was only 13 years old. While he was on this boat, he was scared to death because he was all by himself,” Bayles said.

What cheered him up, she said was all the other Europeans singing and dancing to their own music.

“That kept him from being too de-pressed and helped him make his journey,” Bayles said.

When her father arrived, he was intro-duced to completely different music and dance styles, she said.

Her story demonstrates that the Greek music and dance has survived over time, Bayles said.

Bagger is also reading a memoir by Mar-ty Gabriel about moving to a then rural Chicago suburb.

“At that time, he moved from the city of Chicago to a farmhouse with two acres in La Grange Park and the roads at this time were still gravel,” he said. “(The parks) were nowhere near as doped up as they are now.”

Messenger said writing down her mem-ories are an interesting way to preserve her family’s history.

“It’s our memories, so we pass those on to our families, our children or our grand-children,” she said. “It’s really a shame to let those memories go unwritten because if you don’t write them down, they’re lost.”

Tickets cost \$8 for adults and \$6 for se-nior citizens and students. Early ticket sales and reservations can be made by 345-2287.

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New music releases...

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- s “Rise” - Skillet
- s “SongVersation” - India.Arie
- s “Jammin’ with Friends” - Bret Michaels

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Director: Marc Forster
Writers: Matthew Michael Carnahan, Damon Lindelof
Plot: Gerry Lane is a retired United Nations worker who is asked to save the world after a rabies outbreak spreads internationally. The rabies turn people into zombies who are attracted to sound. Gerry is asked to find out where the outbreak originated. He leaves his family behind to head to Jerusalem to follow up on a lead from an ex-CIA member. Gerry must fight to stay alive to return home to his family and save the world from its own demise.



Manley transfers from New Mexico State

By Michael Spencer
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Former New Mexico State quarterback Andrew Manley has completed his summer transfer to Eastern.

Manley is a red-shirt junior who missed the 2011 season with an injury after starting three games.

He has two seasons of eligibility remaining.

Manley began practice with the panthers this week.

"I'm very excited to be here," Manley said. "I'm looking forward to being a part of a team that won their

conference last year."

Manley said the Eastern coaching staff was one aspect of the Panther football program that was particularly important to him.

"Coach Babers and his coaching staff really know what they're doing here, and I'm excited to learn what they have to offer," Manley said.

Manley played all three years at New Mexico State and threw for 2,764 yards and 18 touchdowns as the starter in 2012. That total placed him fourth in the Western Athletic Conference.

Manley had two games with more than 300 yards against UTEP and

Idaho.

Before being injured in 2011, Manley lead the Aggies over Minnesota of the Big Ten.

In that game, he threw for 288 yards and three touchdowns.

New Mexico State announced on May 8 that Manley was released from his scholarship and was hoping to transfer to another school.

The announcement came shortly after Manley was dropped down to third on the depth chart by Gregg Brandon, first year New Mexico State quarterback coach.

Brandon moved away from Manley, who had played in all three of his

seasons with New Mexico State, in favor of the more mobile Travaughn Colwell.

In an interview, Brandon said Manley is a tough football player and a good person.

Following his exit from New Mexico State, Manley said he wanted to move closer to the west coast or even to his home state of Hawaii.

The Hawaiian grabbed all-state honors while playing high school football at Leilehua High School. He threw for 3,676 yards and 31 touchdowns in his junior year and earned the 2009 Gatorade Player of the Year award for Hawaii.

Manley joins a crowded starting line up.

Eastern now has five quarterbacks on the roster, including Jimmy Garoppolo who finished 10th in the voting for the Walter Payton award, the equivalent of the Heisman award for the Football Championship Sub-division.

Additionally, sophomore Ben Krol, freshman Austin Green and freshman Addison Bounds are on the depth chart below Garoppolo.

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Youth participate in Eastern camp, running

By Jordan Cryder
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There are many different reasons as to why people run, but most overlook the basic structures and techniques that can make them better runners.

This week Eastern will host the Distance Running Camp to help runners learn the proper mechanics and nutrition that will make them better runners.

The camp began on June 25 and will go until June 29, when the camp attendees will participate in the Panther Prowl 5K.

The camp hosts both male and female athletes from grades 6 to 12.

These student athletes will have all Eastern's resources available to them.

Eastern cross country coach Erin Howarth said the camp is for anyone hoping to improve their running technique through intelligent training.

"This camp aims to provide these student athletes with knowledge, passion and love of the sport,"

Howarth said.

Howarth is one of many instructors that are on hand to help these athletes take their skills to the next level.

The other instructors include John McInerney, Thomas Woodall, Gary Canivez, Jake Emmett and Eastern's assistant cross country coach Brad Butler. There are also seven student athletes from Eastern who are helping out during the camp.

The campers have faced some adverse weather the past couple of days, but Howarth thinks this could be beneficial to them in the future.

Howarth said the adverse weather teaches them to be flexible and adapt. Additionally, she said the campers have adjusted quite well.

The camp will have various clinics that cover a range of topics including running mechanics, nutrition, elements of distance running, racing tactics, team-building, leadership, running shoe selection and motivation.

The camp also provides athletes with plenty of activities to keep them entertained outside of camp hours. Those include bowling, a



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Erin Howarth, a cross-country coach, takes a photo of her group of 10 children in the steeple-chase pit.

scavenger hunt and a camp dance.

The goal of the camp is to make sure these student athletes leave

Eastern with a better understanding of teamwork, motivation and long distance running.

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COLUMN

Coaching exodus leaves unanswered questions

By Michael Spencer
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Since mid-April, Lee Buchanan, Summer Perala and Kim Schuette have all left Eastern.

During that time, the ability to provide insight on these stories has been limited. It is important to understand why this has happened. It begins with the resignation of Buchanan.

Buchanan and his women's basketball team captured an Ohio Valley Conference title in February.

After one year as head coach, and only a month after his OVC victory, Buchanan left Eastern on April 15 for what he alleged were other professional opportunities.

In an interview with Journal Gazette – Times Courier sports editor Brian Nielsen, Buchanan said he had other deals in the works, giving no indication of his plans to take a hiatus from coaching or that he was forced out by anyone in the Eastern athletic department.

In the intervening months, there has been no sign of Buchanan or his supposed job offers.

The Daily Eastern News has reached out to the athletic department for comment on this subject.

On each occasion, Athletic Director Barbara Burke and Richard Moser, director of media and public relations for

the department, declined to comment on the record.

When Burke was approached to answer questions about Buchanan in May, she physically backed away and deferred to Moser who had already waved off interview requests.

A month after Buchanan's resignation, Debbie Black, former Ohio State assistant coach, was hired as Buchanan's replacement.

Following her hiring, the Daily Eastern News reached out to the athletic department in an attempt to set up an interview with Black.

The department said they would facilitate the interview.

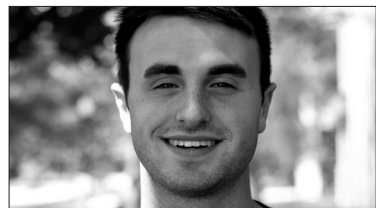
No such interview was ever set up and no phone call was ever returned.

Over the course of the past two and a half months, little information has been given to explain some of the more puzzling elements of this story.

In the case of Buchanan, it would seem that his resumé would attract offers from other schools.

Buchanan is a coach with six years of experience at the division one level and a conference title in his first season as head coach. Additionally, he has 20 years of collective experience in college basketball.

Job opportunities and more money at more prestigious schools appeared perfectly feasible in April.



Michael Spencer

It is now June 27 and there has been no word of Buchanan's plans for the future.

The women's basketball season starts in November with practices beginning well in advance of that date.

For the former Eastern coach, it appears that time is running out, despite what he said before his apparent disappearance.

The idea that Buchanan would leave Eastern after a successful season, without another job immediately lined up, is a difficult notion to understand given his professional situation.

Yet the Eastern athletic department has done nothing to contradict this thoroughly perplexing reality.

It is difficult to expect the women's basketball program to move forward with a new coach until some sort of explanation has been given for the disappearance of Buchanan.

But that was not the end of Eastern's head coaching woes.

On June 20, women's head soccer

coach Summer Perala announced that she will step down from her duties in July, leaving Eastern with only two months to find a new coach before the start of the 2013 season.

Perala's Panthers failed to reach the OVC tournament for the first time in her tenure with the team, following two consecutive seasons with 12 losses.

When asked to comment on the situation, Perala told the Daily Eastern News to go through Moser for information.

When approached, Moser deflected questions back to Perala.

Ultimately, Perala said she had no comment to offer on the situation, stating that all the information had been given in the Eastern press release.

The narrative continued Monday when Eastern softball coach Kim Schuette left Eastern for a head coaching job at Purdue.

Schuette won two OVC titles with the team in 2011 and 2013 while gathering conference coach of the year honors in both of those seasons.

Schuette said it was simply a case of the right offer at the right time.

"At this point in my career, I'm not a job chaser," Schuette said Monday. "It had to be pretty special for me to leave Eastern. Purdue is a good location for us."

When the Daily Eastern News

reached out to the athletic department through Moser, he said, "She went to a Big Ten school from the OVC, so that's a big step up for her."

Moser had found out about the move earlier in the morning Monday.

For the Eastern athletic department, the last two and a half months have been a strange combination of doors both revolving as well as closed.

Despite the apparent opinion of Burke and her colleagues in the athletic department, they are a part of a state institution, which means they are held to a standard of transparency on issues such as these.

It is the responsibility of the athletic department, and their spokesperson Moser, to aid in disseminating information.

The department appears to only be forthcoming when approached for comment on a positive issue, such as Schuette's move to Purdue.

Additionally, Burke should be willing to provide information on the personnel in her department who are also state employees. During these coaching changes, the athletic department has only acted as a hindrance to the Daily Eastern News.

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