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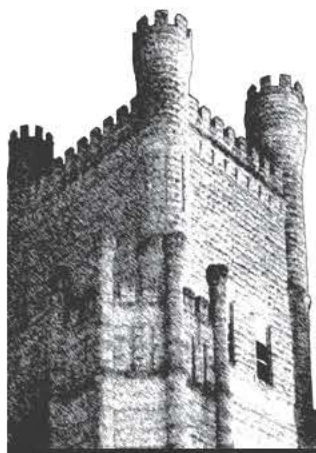
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## Cold for a cause

Polar Plunge takes place state wide, raises money for Special Olympics

BY NICOLE MILSTEAD  
STUDENT GOVERNMENT REPORTER

On Saturday, over 50 people plunged into Lake Sara's 39 degree water in Effingham to raise money for the Special Olympics.

The annual Polar Plunge took place in 14 locations across Illinois. The Polar Plunge in Effingham is organized by the area director, Michael Fulford.

To prepare for the plunge, Fulford lead over 100 people in the chicken dance.

Even though it was 35 degrees outside, many participants were wearing as little as bikinis or swimming trunks.

Others were more creative with their attire. There was a University of Illinois fan who came complete with lawn chair, Hawaiian shirt and sunscreen. Others dressed as Catwoman and Rory Steidl, a state trooper from



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Roger Sugrue, a junior sports management major, tackles Rory Steidl, of Charleston, who was dressed as the Lone Ranger for the Special Olympics Polar Plunge at Lake Sara in Effingham Saturday afternoon. "I tackled that cowboy like it was my business," Sugrue said.

Charleston, made an appearance as the Lone Ranger.

"This is a great cause," Steidl said. "This is my second year participating in the Polar Plunge and I have been involved in Special Olympics for 10 years."

A group of over 20 Eastern students participated on behalf of the Student Council for Exceptional Children. The group was lead by Cheryl Palmer, a junior special educa-

tion major and president of the SCEC; and Kyle C. Pratt, a senior special education major and vice president of SCEC.

"We are here to raise money for the Special Olympics," said Sarah Aldrich, a junior special education major. "It wasn't too bad while you are in there; but, it is really cold when you get out."

Each member of the group raised over \$75 for the cause.

The official temperature of the water was at 39 degrees, said Terry Trueblood, the commander of the Effingham County Dive and Rescue Squad. Because of that they had divers in the water and ambulances standing by.

No one was injured over the course of the day.

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## Faculty prepare to mentor

Honors mentoring program offers guidance to students

BY JACLYN GORSKI  
STAFF WRITER

Faculty members will get the opportunity to mentor students by participating in the Honors Faculty Mentoring Partnership Program.

Presidential scholars are students that are incoming freshmen. The minimum requirements for the program are a 28 ACT score with a 3.75 high school grade point average or a class ranking in the top 5 percent. A student could also have a 30 or higher ACT score with a top 10 percent rank or a 3.5 GPA.

"It has been a wonderful experience for both the faculty and the students," said Judy Sunderman, academic adviser for the Honors College. "I know the students have really appreciated the time and attention from their mentors. I think that all the faculty mentors have enjoyed their association with the students."

Bonnie Irwin, dean of the Honors College, is in charge of overseeing the mentorship program.

"We admit 20 students a year," Irwin said. "A faculty committee reviews the applications of all those students who meet the minimum requirements and recommend to me those with the most potential for academic success and leadership."

The student is then matched with a faculty member who is then the student's mentor throughout their career at Eastern.

The search for mentors is an ongoing process, Irwin said.

Notices are sent out periodically to inform faculty of the option to serve as a faculty mentor. The Honors College matches faculty members and students in the fall.

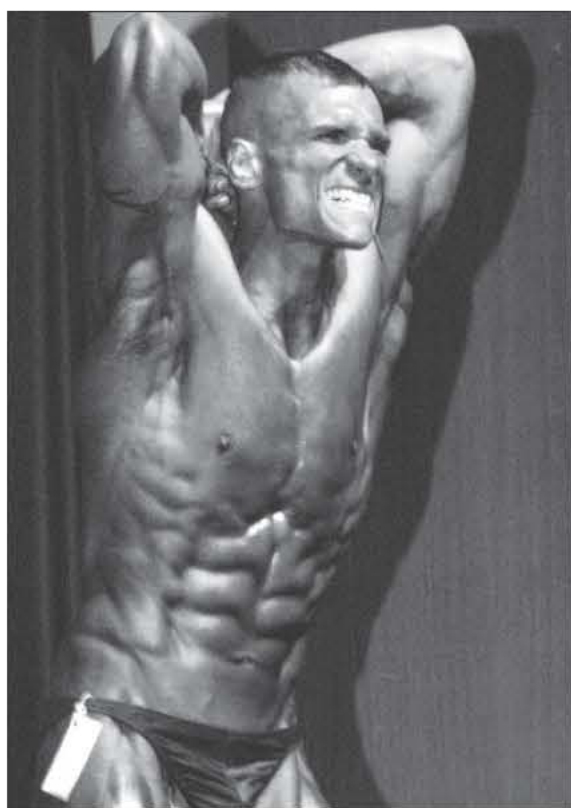
The Honors College takes the biographical information from the faculty members and the presidential scholars in their applications and matches their interests, Sunderman said.

"We don't want to match mentors and scholars too closely," Irwin said.

A student would not be paired up with a faculty member of the same department, she said.

The program gives the student perspectives on another major at Eastern, said Bud Fischer, associate chair of the biological sciences

## Eastern's buffest showcase their muscles



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Nick Grabarek, a senior physical education major, poses during his routine at the Mr. EIU and Ms. Fitness Competition Saturday night in the Grand Ballroom of the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union. Grabarek won the light-heavyweight class and the overall competition.

## Nick Grabarek, Rachel Hymes named Mr. EIU, Ms. Fitness

BY STACY SMITH  
STAFF WRITER

Bright lights, loud music and a lot of muscles were on display during the Mr. EIU and Ms. Fitness competitions Saturday night in the University Ballroom of Martin Luther King Jr. University Union.

After nine weeks of dieting and intense workouts, three females and 10 males competed to earn the names Mr. EIU and Ms. Fitness, a medallion, a trophy and pride.

Abbey Goss, master of ceremonies and event coordinator, said she was very surprised that more than 500 people attended the competition.

"The show was great," said Ken Baker, director of campus recreation. "The competitors took a lot of time preparing, and the audience was very enthusiastic and supportive."

Winners were declared in each weight class for the men: middleweight, light-heavyweight and

heavyweight, as well the overall title of Mr. EIU.

Nick Grabarek, a physical education major and winner of the light-heavyweight class, was declared the 2005 Mr. EIU.

Out of the three women who competed, Rachel Hymes, a graduate student in exercise and physiology, was declared Ms. Fitness 2005.

Goss said the competition was open for anyone to compete, and the competitors had the opportunity to meet every Thursday in the dance studio to practice poses.

Tim Addante, a management major and winner of the middleweight class, said the hardest thing during the competition was holding a pose without shaking. He said he was thankful for his personal trainer, Joel Rodarte, a management major, who kept him motivated.

The five judges were all blue-ribbon panel members, Baker said.

"There are four Mr. EIUs and one women's world power lifter champion (on the panel)," he said.

Chuck Bono, a sophomore exercise science major, won the title for the heavyweight class.

"I was very proud of Chuck. He did a great job and hopefully will be back next year and win," said Frank Bono, a sophomore industrial technology major and Chuck Bono's twin brother.



## FIVE-DAY OUTLOOK

TODAY

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Showers/wind

TUESDAY

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Sunny

WEDNESDAY

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Snow shower

THURSDAY

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Partly cloudy

## COLLEGE & UNIVERSITY NEWS

### KANSAS STATE UNIVERSITY Bush plan hurts farms

By ALEX PEAK  
KANSAS STATE

(U-WIRE) MANHATTAN, Kan. — President Bush proposed a reduction in farm subsidies for the next year that could significantly affect Kansas farmers. Bush's plan for the next fiscal year limits federal agriculture payments.

Brad Lubben, K-State agricultural economist, said an individual currently can receive as much as \$360,000 per year, but with Bush's new proposal, an individual would be limited to a maximum of \$250,000 per year. That amount also takes into account the benefits of up to three entitlements.

Decreasing grain and dairy payments is also in the proposal.

### UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII Navy denies UARC

By BART ABBOTT  
KA LEO O HAWAII

(U-WIRE) HONOLULU — The writer of the original proposal for a University Affiliated Research Center at the University of Hawaii said most universities approached by the Navy do not end up establishing UARCs because they lack the expertise required to do so.

The Navy has offered the UH a UARC proposal that could bring researchers about \$50 million over the next five years in contracts. The UARC would be a contractual agreement between the Navy and UH to establish a cleared facility where federal and military research could be conducted.

### TEXAS TECH UNIVERSITY Act upsets educators

By MEGHANN LORA  
UNIVERSITY DAILY

(U-WIRE) LUBBOCK, Texas — The federal No Child Left Behind Act has some Lubbock, Texas, educators upset about double standards and financial burdens.

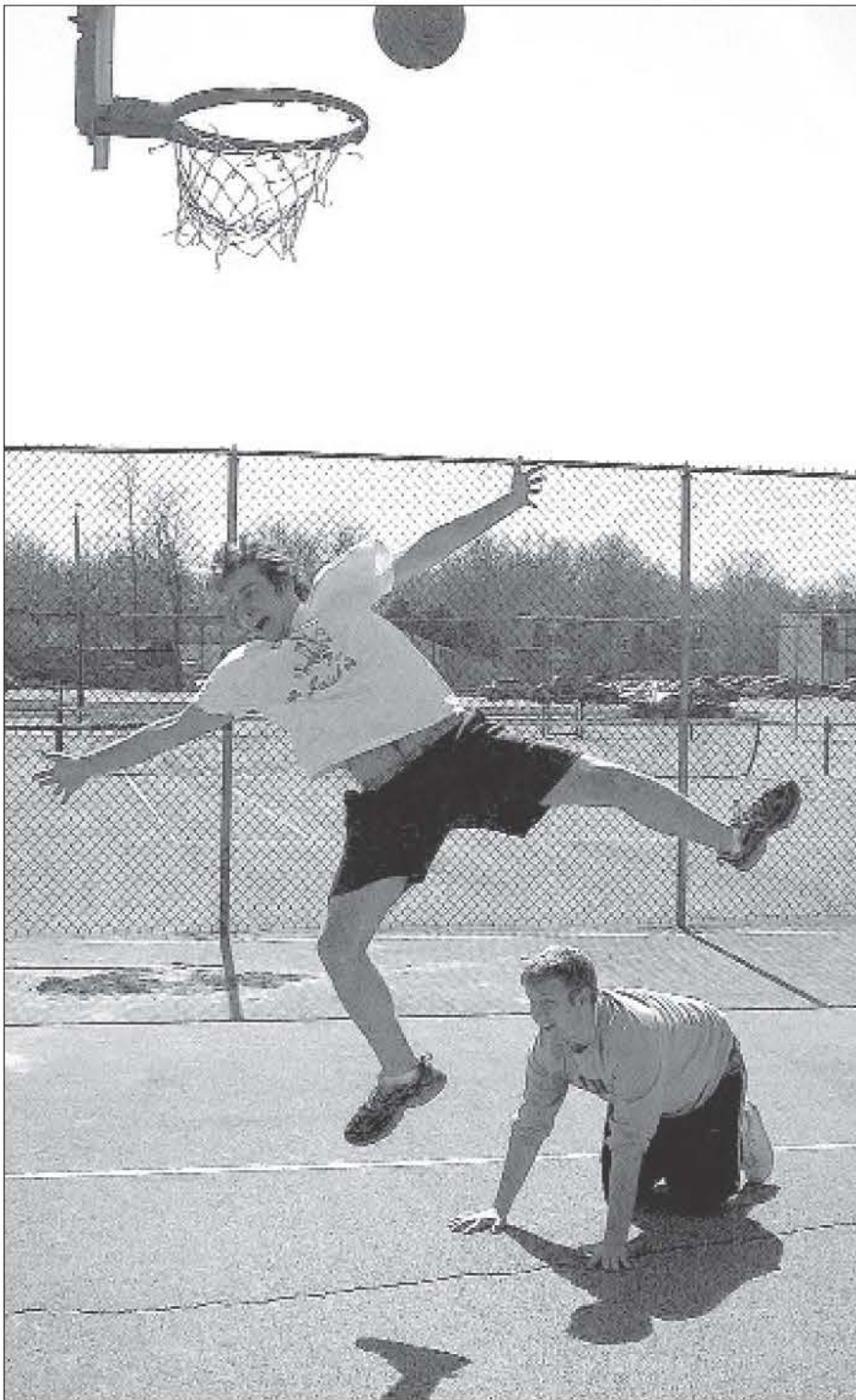
Educational spending in the United States totals more than \$850 billion, and about 90 percent of that comes from state, local and private sources, according to the U.S. Department of Education Web site, www.ed.gov.

## CORRECTIONS

In Thursday's paper, English Instructor Ashley Tellis was quoted as being a woman, when in fact, he is a man.

In Friday's paper, Connie Eldridge was misquoted and given the wrong title. Eldridge is a secretary in women's studies, not the coordinator. The actual coordinator of women's studies is Diana Slaviero. *The News* regrets the errors.

## SLAMMIN'



KELLY CREMENT/THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

**Quintin McKenna, a sophomore business major, jumps off of Jacob Hill's back, a freshman political science major from University of Illinois, to attempt a slam dunk Sunday afternoon.**

## ONLINE POLL

**Should the university have renewed coach Samuels' contract for a 26th year?**

- A) Yes. He should have been given one more year because of upcoming talent.
- B) No. No conference championship in 25 years equals need for a change.
- C) Yes. Samuels is a legend. He should have been let go when he was ready to go.
- D) Not sure if it was the best decision, but it won't be the end of the world for Samuels or Eastern.

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## WTF?

### Child arrested after tantrum

WILLIAMSBURG, Va. (AP) — Police arrested an 8-year-old boy who allegedly had a violent outburst in school, head-butting his teacher and kicking an assistant principal, when he was told he couldn't go outside to play with other students.

The 4-foot pupil was led away from Rawls Byrd Elementary School in handcuffs Tuesday and charged with disorderly conduct and assault and battery.

"It's not something that happens every day," Maj. Stan Stout said of what could be the department's youngest arrest ever.

Stout said the chair-tossing, desk-turning outburst occurred after a teacher, and later the assistant principal, attempted to stop the boy from joining his classmates.

## PEOPLE

### Stewart says she's changed

NEW YORK (AP) — Martha Stewart took up the cause of prisoners' rights during her five months in prison and calls her time behind bars "life altering and life affirming." Other white collar criminals have proclaimed themselves equally transformed after emerging from prison. But are they really?

"If you're changed, then let's see the action," said Fred Shapiro, a lawyer who served time for bank fraud in Philadelphia in the 1990s, and went back to prison for a separate episode of white-collar crime 10 years later. "Everyone says they've changed after they've left prison, but only time will tell."

## COUNTING DOWN

**4**

Days until  
Spring Break!

## WORD DU JOUR

**slapstick:**

- 1. broad comedy characterized by boisterous action
- 2. a stick or lath used by clowns, harlequins, etc.

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# Getting into character for History

Six Eastern students portray historical women

By JACLYN GORSKI  
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Yesterday, six female students portrayed six women throughout history, such as Elizabeth Blackwell, Hatshepsut and Georgia O'Keeffe, during the 17th annual Living History program.

The Living History program, sponsored by women's studies, consisted of performers dressing up in costumes that reflected their character's time period. Each performer was responsible for researching her character, developing a 10 to 12 minute speech on the woman and determining the most effective way to convey the information to elementary school children, said Gail Mason, professor of communication studies.

Writing their speeches in the first person to consume the identity of their subjects, the performers' gave

information on the women in history they chose and the time period they lived in.

Diane Reid, a sophomore elementary education major, performed as Hatshepsut, one of Ancient Egypt's few female pharaohs.

"(Ancient Egyptian) history is really interesting to me," Reid said.

Reid talked about the obstacles standing in Hatshepsut's way of gaining recognition as a legitimate pharaoh.

In order to be considered a ruler, Hatshepsut had to marry her half-brother, who died two years later, after which she married her nephew. She also had to say she was a child of Amon-Ra, one of ancient Egypt's gods, and dress in a male pharaoh's clothes when she was in public. She also spoke about the disappearance of Hatshepsut's body after her death.

"No one knows what happened to her," Reid said. "Her death was a mystery."

Allison Banducci, a freshman social sciences major, performed as Elizabeth Blackwell, a female doctor in the 1800s.

Banducci said women back then were not allowed to be doctors by the social majority, and Blackwell was not respected when she was studying medicine.

"I was like a plague, (no one) would talk to me," she said, while in character.

The students will perform in over 100 shows in Ashmore and Lerna, and at Mark Twain Elementary, Carl Sandburg and Jefferson schools in over 40 classes, Mason said.

"It's amazing how many performances they can fit into their schedules," she said. "It's a lot of fun."

The Living History program gives the performers a chance to get off campus and talk to kids, she said.

"The kids are so cute," Reid said.

The performers get a lot of funny questions during the performances, she said. One of her favorite questions was whether she liked hot dogs, even though Hatshepsut died before hot dogs were invented, in 1482 B.C.



STEPHEN HAAS/THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

Diane Reid performs as Hatshepsut Sunday afternoon in the Coleman Hall Auditorium as part of the Living History program sponsored by the women's studies minor.

# 'Rom and Julie' puts new face to 'Romeo and Juliet'

By SCOTT BANOVIC  
STAFF WRITER

The modernization of "Romeo and Juliet," titled "Rom & Julie," played this weekend at the Charleston Alley Theatre and will continue in Decatur.

Many audience members enjoyed the play, despite the changes made in the adaptation by writer and director Duke Bagger.

"It was not what I expected at all, and it was really good," said Greg Young, a sophomore business management major who attended the production Saturday.

At 8 p.m., Bagger welcomed the audience with announcements of upcoming Charleston Alley Theatre activities.

The lights went out and the cast sang a fugue, a classical song, about some of the problems that can occur in the dark and when a leading man has no understudy.

The production progressed by introducing a character who was not a part of the original "Romeo and Juliet" play, Goodie Schwartz, the good faerie, played by Brenda Neff.

Though Schwartz had difficulty in the past, her supervisor, the big faerie, gave her one last chance. Schwartz's



STEPHEN HAAS/THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

Rom, played by Mario Podeschi, and Griselda "Goodie" Schwartz, played by Brenda Neff, perform during the Charleston Alley Theatre production of 'Rom and Julie' Friday evening.

new assignment was to ensure Rom would find his true love.

Much of the play is centered on Schwartz's involvement in the love story. She helped Rom ascend to Julie's balcony, attained the sleeping potion for Julie and does much more

that it made it hard to believe the story worked without her before.

There are musical numbers throughout the play, including a fight scene directed as a rap piece.

During the death scene of Tybalt, some members of the audience found

themselves involved as Tybalt came into the audience and leapt into the laps of audience members.

Shakespearean English is only used sparingly in the production, in parody, because Bagger tried to make the play more modern with

his adaptation of the original "Romeo and Juliet."

"This is not your mother's 'Romeo and Juliet,'" Bagger said. "The play does follow Shakespeare's version scene by scene; however, there are some serious changes throughout."

As was customary in Shakespeare's day, actors posed as statues to indicate set changes.

The atmosphere is always light during the production as slapstick comedy, running jokes about body odor and allusions to sex are common.

Bagger was very satisfied with the weekend's performances, and he said he felt Saturday's performance was "fabulous."

"Rom & Julie" is not recommended for children.

"Rom & Julie" will be performed at 8 p.m. March 14 and 2 p.m. March 13 at the Charleston Alley Theatre. It will also play 8 p.m. March 11 and March 12 at the Shilling Auditorium in Decatur.

Admission at the Charleston Alley Theatre is \$8 for general admission, \$6 for students and \$5 per person for groups of at least 10 people.

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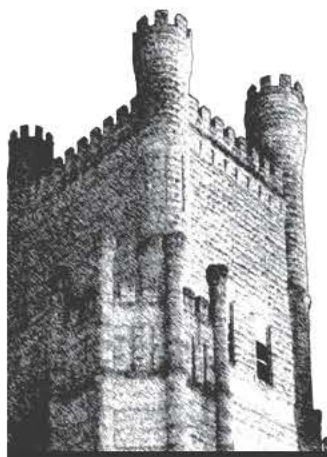
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"Tell the truth and don't be afraid."

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### COLUMN

## Spare the rod, spoil nothing



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For me it was just the threat of the wooden spoon, but mostly the warning of my father being told about what I had done when he came home.

I can never remember my mother ever taking that spoon out of the utensil holder (for cooking purposes either) or my father ever reacting in a way other than raising his voice or trying his hardest to hold back laughter.

Punishment was that simple and worked.

I was a child that generally found some form of mischief to get into (or as I would claim, it found me), but through it all I always learned my lesson without learning the force of a hand.

In school I was never in the position to face punishment, but do remember consequences including detentions, skipped recesses or trips to the principal's office as forms of punishment for those who misbehaved.

I would never expect myself or my classmates to experience what my parent's generation endured for misbehavior: slaps on the hand with a ruler from a towering linebacker dressed in a habit.

And I bet when Michelle Fallaw-Gabrielson picked up her rambunctious six-year-old, Chandler Scott Fallaw, from Schaumburg Christian School she was not expecting assistant administrator Linda Moreau to tell her to spank her child before she left or he would face suspension.

Although just more than half the states have banned corporal punishment by school officials since the 1970s, with Illinois taking that action in 1994, private schools have wide discretion in discipline matters and parents agree to school policies when they enroll their children.

Schaumburg Christian School's request was legal.

"Parent-administered corporal punishment" is part of their disciplinary system for pre-kindergarten through 6th-grade children. Parents sign a "statement of cooperation" which includes this guideline and the parent/student handbook states, "When this becomes necessary, parents will be asked to administer this form of punishment."

But, it is never necessary to hit a child. Taking away privileges to attend or participate in school activities or requesting parents promise punishment of this form at home is a more beneficial request than requesting physical discipline.

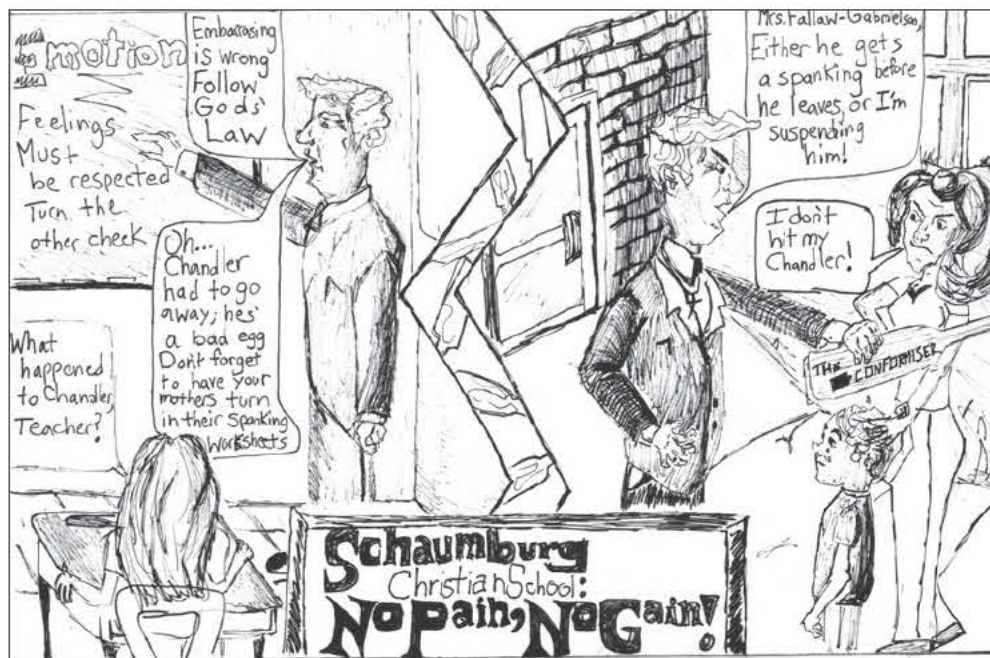
"Spare the rod, spoil the child" is an old saying most of us are not used to hearing for a reason. The motto has faded because there are many alternative choices to effectively punish children; educators and school administrators especially should know this, but unfortunately, the motto remains strong at Schaumburg Christian.

School administrator Randy Thaxton was quoted in Sunday's *Chicago Tribune* saying corporal punishment has a basis in the Bible in Proverbs 13:24, "He that spareth his rod hateth his son." Inside one desk drawer, he keeps two paddles—a ping-pong paddle, and a larger, lightweight wooden paddle that can be used for spanking.

Alarmingly, punishment policies and paddles on hand don't seem to frighten parents, which frightens me. The school has not been sued during Thaxton's 11 years in charge and instead, enrollment has doubled from 600-students.

Fallaw-Gabrielson may have refused to spank her son and withdrew him from school the next day, but what about the other 1,200 students there or the thousands of students at other private schools which allow these disciplinary measures? If parents are signing forms agreeing to perform such disciplinary measures on school grounds, one can only imagine discipline behind closed doors for these children.

### EDITORIAL CARTOON BY RICH LAKEBERG



### EDITORIAL

## It was time for a change

Many will disagree, but maybe it was time for a change.

When Rick Samuels was not asked to return for a 26th season as Eastern men's basketball head coach many people were shocked and upset by the news.

But what was most likely Director of Athletics Rich McDuffie's toughest decision in his eight years at Eastern was something that needed to happen.

Coaching is a difficult profession where no matter how well you are liked or how good of a person you are, the thing that matters most is victories.

Samuels' teams have had losing records in the last four seasons and have either had first round exits in the Ohio Valley Conference tournament or have not made it there at all.

Zero regular season conference championships in 25 years is also a difficult statistic to look at.

Nobody will argue that Samuels is a classy individual who is well-liked by his players and others involved in the pro-

#### At issue

The athletic department's decision to not renew Rick Samuels' contract after 25 years as the men's basketball coach

#### Our stance

Though Samuels has been a class act and has a high graduation rate, maybe it was time for a change

gram. He showed that by refusing to resign and leave his players with a new coach.

He also graduated his players at a high rate, which is important for a school that won't produce many professional basketball careers.

The other criticism to letting Samuels go is the amount of talent returning to the team next season. With leading scorer Josh Gomes returning and a freshman class that includes Ohio Valley Conference Freshman of the Year George Tandy, giving Samuels one more year may have been fair.

But what would have happened if the team lost next year? McDuffie would be criticized for not making the move when he did.

While the team has much promise to improve next season, it will be young and be able to pick up on a new system easier than an older team.

Though the university has lost a great man, it was time to get a new coach.

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

## YOUR TURN: LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### EASTERN IS SAYING GOODBYE TO GREAT MAN

It is with a strong sense of shock and sadness that I have been informed about the decision to release Rick Samuels as coach of the Panthers.

I was lucky enough to be broadcasting Eastern sports on what was then WEIC Radio when Rick was hired. I was somewhat new to the business at that time and remember the hiring fiasco of Jene Davis, and then Eastern settling on Rick.

He came into a situation where they had lost Davis after he held a press con-

ference, which was chippy at best. Rick came in and showed the class that he would exhibit for the next 25 years.

My years covering Eastern sports were a genuine joy for many reasons, and Rick was one of them. No matter how tough the game, no matter how long the road trip (and we had VERY long ones in the first year of Division I play), Rick was unfailingly classy and a true leader of men.

He took the game to heart. I have many memories, but one that springs to mind is when we were playing Central Missouri in Lantz, and a fight broke out, which caused a forfeit with the Panthers

winning. Rick came up to the booth for the live post game show, looking like someone just shot his dog and did a tough interview, saying to me "Ray, I have had things happen to me this season that I hope never happen to me again." And he went on with the show. That's just one of hundreds of times that he was great.

Eastern has lost a great man and leader in Rick, and I wish him well.

RAY SMITH

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# A full day playing dodgeball

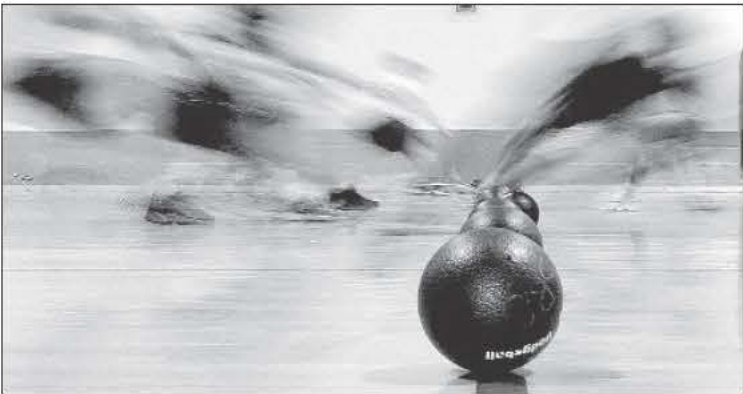
McKinney and Douglas Halls put on all day event

By ERIC SAXTON  
STAFF WRITER

“One, two, three, dodgeball!” This chant was used to start all dodgeball games during the all-campus dodgeball tournament Saturday afternoon at the Student Recreation Center.

McKinney Hall Council holds dodgeball games every Saturday and last Saturday they decided to team up with the Douglas Hall Council. Rahul Bhalla, Douglas Hall Council vice president, said he was pleased with the turnout of the dodgeball tournament, which was approximately 40 to 50 students.

“Douglas Hall Council usually has activities for students on Saturday afternoons such as video game tournaments, but we wanted to do something a little more active,” Bhalla said. “It is a fun way to get some exercise on the weekend and meet some peo-



STEPHEN HAAS/THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS  
Students run for the balls at the start of a dodgeball game between McKinney and Douglas Halls Saturday afternoon in the Student Recreation Center.

ple from around the campus.”

Five games were played in the three-hour tournament.

Games started out fast with people getting eliminated rapidly, but as the teams’ numbers dwindled down, the intensity picked up. When the pace slowed down, more strategy was used toward the end of the game.

The two teams that were playing were mostly composed of Douglas Hall residents against McKinney Hall residents. If a player was not part of these residence halls but wanted to play, they were dispersed evenly on whichever team had fewer players.

The first game that was played started the excitement of the day with a thrilling comeback by team Douglas. Douglas was down five players to one, and Andy Kopolnek, a sophomore physical education major, was the lone player for Douglas who

mounted the comeback and won the game.

“The best part of the day was the first game when I was alone, and came back to win against five others,” Kopolnek said.

Participants in the dodgeball tournament were pleased with the way things went.

“It is a good way to meet people, and have fun at the same time,” said William Cole, a freshman psychology major.

The tournament had many close calls, near catches and a very competitive environment.

“I have never played dodgeball before, but it was so much fun that I cannot wait until the next Saturday to play again,” Bhalla said.

Dodgeball is played from 2 to 5 p.m. every Saturday in the Student Recreation Center, at court number five. All students are welcome to participate.

# Effects of ‘Images of Violence Against Women’ in the media

Lecture on the issue of a woman’s role in pornography

By YOUNGCHI CHANG  
STAFF WRITER

As pornography has grown into an industry that grosses billions of dollars each year, it has generated problems that depict women’s images in the media.

As part of the effort to give more awareness about women’s history, Eastern will hold the lecture, “Images of Violence Against Women” at 7 p.m. in Lumpkin Hall.

Pornography has always been a form of media that sparks heated debate and generates emotional arguments, said Diana Slaviero, coordinator of women’s studies.

“It is important to discuss the effects that the production and consumption of sexually violent pornography have created on women in our society,” Slaviero said.

Keynote speaker, Gail Dines, sociology and women’s studies professor at Wheelock College in Boston, will discuss the images of women in pornography and mainstream media.

“Although women have made great strides, we are still the oppressed of the world,” Dines said. “The image of women in the media is sexist and depicts women as dehumanized sex objects.”

Dine said the negative images in the media train men to think of women as subservient and less than them. This translates into the oppression of women in law, education, work, religion and family, she said.

Dines will highlight the ways in which the codes and conventions of pornography images filter down to popular media such as *Cosmopolitan*, *Vogue*, MTV and box-office movies.

“I will address the issue of corporate control of our culture,” Dines said. “Never before have so few owned so much, and this threatens the democratic structure of our society.”

Her speech aims to provide audiences with media literacy skills, which are ways to make today’s society more democratic and equal.

“We live in a world saturated with media images, and few of us learn how to critically analyze these images,” Dines said. “We all need to become sophisticated consumers of images so that we can take some of the power away from the media.”

# Meeting Lindsay DiPietro



By ERICA MORISCO  
STAFF WRITER

As Lindsay DiPietro sits at the front desk of Carman Hall, she is greeted by many familiar people coming and going.

Some know her as the vice president of Carman Hall Council, others know her as the president of the Residence Hall Association. She even runs into people on her intramural volleyball team.

DiPietro said she has always been involved in Student Government in high school. When she came to live at Carman as a freshman last year, DiPietro decided to run for a position on the Carman Hall Council and hasn’t stopped being involved since.

She is an active member in hall council as vice president this year and works with other executive board members to make student programs for the residence hall.

“One of my favorite programs [we had] was Floor Feud,” DiPietro said.

Floor Feud was a program run by DiPietro as well as others in Carman. The game was just like “Family Feud,” but it was for each floor of the residence hall.

DiPietro is so devoted to her job, she is willing to “die” for the residents of Carman. She organized a new program called CSI:Charleston, which will take place Tuesday night. She will be “murdered,” and students can find different clues to solve the case at Carman.

When DiPietro isn’t working with hall council, most would see her doing work as the

president of RHA. As president, DiPietro’s duties include making agendas for board meetings and RHA meetings, upholding the RHA constitution and maintaining good contact with the news so the entire campus will know of any programs or news coming from RHA.

It can be a heavy workload at times, but DiPietro’s fellow executives say she does it very efficiently.

“[DiPietro has done] so much you can’t pinpoint one thing because she’s excelled at everything she’s done,” said Erin McGovern, vice president of RHA.

Since DiPietro is in such high standing with each organization, she is also part of another organization called the National Resident Hall Honorary (NRHH). This organization is comprised of the top 1 percent of residence hall leaders. NRHH is involved with recycling on campus as well as helping build leadership skills within residence hall executive boards.

DiPietro is also part of a group called the National Society of Collegiate Scholars (NSCS). This organization puts on one program per month to teach students time and stress management. DiPietro is an active member in this group as well.

“[I do all these programs] so that I can meet new people,” DiPietro said. “It’s nice to interact with different personalities.”

DiPietro not only meets new people from her activity on campus, but also admits that it helps her leadership skills as well. On top of her already busy schedule, DiPietro is also a front desk worker and has put together an intramural volleyball team.

Todd Kleine, a co-adviser at Carman Hall, said no matter what task it is, big or small, DiPietro takes on each one with power and grace.

“She is very much a person that I can push and she will go above and beyond,” Kleine said.

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# Lack of crowd at party stroll

By JESSICA PARKS  
STAFF WRITER

In order to wrap up the National PanHellenic Council Rush week, a party “stroll-off” competition was held on Friday night in the University Ballroom in the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union.

A party stroll is similar to line dances, only strolls are in a circle formation. This dance is typically done by African American greek members to “represent your organization,” said Orlando Drummond, president of Eastern’s NPHC chapter.

Drummond said the idea of the event was to have fun and join togeth-

er the Interfraternity Council, PanHellenic Council and NPHC to teach each other how to stroll. All of the organizations had met together a week before to practice for Friday’s event.

On the day of the performance, the scheduled Alpha Sigma Alpha sorority and Pi Kappa Alpha fraternity both hadn’t shown up.

“Our continuous goal is to promote unity among different nationalities on campus and between the greeks to show that we all could work cohesively,” Drummond said.

Drummond said he was personally let down by the poor attendance and lack of support from the campus and greek community. He said even though this event was not a success, he looks forward to more opportunities for more functions like this in the future.

Monique Cook-Bey, adviser of the NPHC, said one of the most likely reasons for the low turnout was because, “(we) just came off a busy weekend,” referring to the Miss Black EIU page-

ant held the week before. Drummond also said there were many contributing factors including midterms.

Phi Beta Sigma fraternity member and participant Michael Curtis Jr., a sophomore computer information systems major, came to support the event and said he was disappointed.

“When we were closing the doors (early because no one came) that’s when people were coming,” Curtis said. “They just came too late,”

The event, which was open to anyone, was \$4 per person to help raise money for the Nate Anderson Scholarship and Johnetta Jones Scholarship.

Cook-Bey said the NPHC had already donated \$750, a portion of the proceeds from the “Step-Show” held Homecoming weekend.

“(The) ultimate goal is to raise \$100,000 with anybody involved with minority affairs to recruit more minority students and retain them here,” Cook-Bey said.

# Low turnout for re-genderization factors research presentation

By JENNIFER ETHER  
STAFF WRITER

In support of Women’s Appreciation Month, the School of Business Faculty Research Colloquium Series hosted a presentation entitled, “The Re-Genderization of the Accounting Work Force in the United States.”

Less than 10 people attended the presentation, at 2 p.m. Friday in Lumpkin Hall, which dealt with the field of accounting and its genderization factors.

Barbara Kemmerer, Eastern professor in management, and Bill Wootton, Eastern professor in accountancy and finance, hosted the presentation. Kemmerer said the field of accounting has always been seen as a male-dominated profession.

“In 1930, you could not major in accounting if you were a woman,” Kemmerer said.

Thirty years later, in 1960, only 4 percent of women were accounting majors. While there is currently a high demand for accountants, there is a decline in the number of women going into this field.

“Because of discrimination laws and the demand for accountants, genderization factors play an important role in the field of accounting,” Wootton said.

This presentation was one of three scheduled this semester. Cheryl Noll, associate chair of the Lumpkin College of Business and Applied Sciences and coordinator of graduate business studies, said the Colloquium Series was started to encourage faculty from the different disciplines in the school of business, including management, marketing, computer information systems, finance and accounting, to share with each other the research that is unique to their area and to discover the commonalities among the areas.

“The presentation was a collaborative effort between faculty in accounting and management,” Noll said.

The first presentation, “Factors Influencing Student Intention to Switch from Peer-to-Peer to Pay-per-Track Music Downloading,” was held Feb. 4 by Harrison Green, an Eastern assistant professor in the school of business.

The last presentation in the series, “Wealth Effects of Financial Institution Strategic Alliances on Shareholders of Newly Allied Firms,” will be held from 2 to 3 p.m. April 8 in Lumpkin Hall, Room 2020.

# Position openings on Staff Senate

By CRYSTAL REED  
STAFF WRITER

Staff members who want to voice their concerns on university issues can let their voice be heard by running for a Staff Senate position.

There are five seats open on Staff Senate and eight committees which staff members can serve on.

Anyone interested in serving on the Senate should fill out a nomination petition and return them to Kathy Cartwright by April 6. The form can be attained by calling 581-2189. Senate elections will be from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m., April 27 in the Union Bookstore Lounge of the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union.

The Senate addresses university issues that may concern staff members.

Some issues the Senate has assisted with includes helping Eastern buildings become smoke free and looking into a campus day-care center.

“Staff Senate is important in that it provides a voice to concerns to the needs of our staff,” said Staff Senate member Eric Davidson

Davidson said it is important for individuals to serve on the Senate to provide additional and different viewpoints.

“Staff should apply for the Senate because it is a good way to be involved in the current issues on campus,” said Kathy Cartwright, Staff Senate president.

Cartwright said being on the Senate has been a wonderful way for her to meet people she would not have daily contact with.

“It’s allowed me to be on search committees and feel that I’m contributing to campus,” Cartwright said.

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KATHY CARTWRIGHT,  
STUDENT SENATE PRESIDENT

meetings so they can answer questions for staff members. The Senate also meets with the Board of Trustees and the state legislator, who both help Eastern with funding and regulations.

“This gives us the opportunity to bring staff issues directly to the people who govern the institution,” Cartwright said.

“Staff Senate is a place for the staff to have a voice,” said senate member Doug Slout. The senate allows members to have a voice in shared governance the university believes in, Slout said.

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Frank Bono said he had critiqued his brother's poses and eating habits throughout his training.

"Chuck would get up at 7 a.m. to eat chicken," he said.

Everyone agreed the most difficult part of the competition was dieting.

James Keller Jr., a sophomore computer information systems major and participant in the heavyweight class, said his diet consisted of high protein foods, and he had a hard time not eating anything with sugar in it. Keller said once he got into an eating routine, however, it became a lot easier.

Hymes said when she wanted to splurge she "thought about looking stupid on stage."

During the women's competition, each woman had to perform a short dance routine, showing off different muscles in their bodies and their strength. The women were then asked to come out, line up on stage and flex specific muscles to be judged.

During the men's competition, the competitors were instructed to go on stage one-by-one and flex their muscles to the beat of dance music. Then, the men were ordered to line up and flex specific muscles for the judges. The men had time in the competition to do whatever they wanted to compete for the judges' attention. Some stepped in front of one another, flexing their favorite muscles to music.

The crowd cheered and booed the competitors throughout the whole competition.

Tim Bonfill, a second-year graduate student in clinical psychology, said he was impressed with the competition.

"I have a lot of respect for people who do that (body building)," Bonfill said. "It is a lot of hard work."



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Rachel Hymes, a graduate exercise physiology major, poses during the group symmetry portion of the Mr. EIU and Ms. Fitness Competition Saturday night in the Grand Ballroom of the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union.

Selma voting marks 40th anniversary

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

SELMA, Ala. — Aging civil rights-era figures and a bipartisan congressional delegation walked across an Alabama bridge with a throng of thousands Sunday to commemorate the 40th anniversary of the Selma voting rights marches that opened ballot boxes to blacks across the South.

Among those participating was Coretta Scott King, whose husband, the Rev. Martin Luther King Jr., led a 1965 march to the state Capitol after participants in an earlier march were turned back by law enforcement.

"The freedom we won here in Selma and on the road to Montgomery was purchased with the precious blood of many," said King, who crossed

the Edmund Pettus Bridge in a car.

Police estimated the crowd at nearly 10,000.

Others on hand to commemorate the marches across the bridge included singer Harry Belafonte, who also took part in the demonstration 40 years ago, the Rev. Jesse Jackson, Senate Majority Leader Bill Frist, and Lynda Johnson Robb, whose father, President Lyndon Johnson, signed the Voting Rights Act into law in 1965.

"President Johnson signed that act, but it was written by the people of Selma," said Rep. John Lewis, D-Ga., who was clubbed on the head during the "Bloody Sunday" attack on marchers by state troopers and sheriff's deputies on March 7, 1965. He was among 17 blacks

hospitalized as that march was turned back while crossing the bridge.

A second march two weeks later, under the protection of a federal court order and led by King, went 50 miles from the bridge over the Alabama River to the steps of the state Capitol in Montgomery.

The attack and the marches inspired passage of the Voting Rights Act, which barred obstacles such as literacy tests that were set up by segregationists to keep blacks from registering to vote.

A re-enactment of the five-day march is planned this week, culminating with a rally at the Capitol on Saturday.

In a service at Brown Chapel, six blocks from the bridge, Lewis cited former President Bill Clinton, who crossed the bridge with Selma marchers in 2000, and former Alabama Gov. Don Siegelman as white politicians who have greeted modern civil rights concerns with open arms.

DRUG-COATED STENTS HELP MANY AVOID BYPASS, STUDIES SHOW

NATIONAL BRIEFS



ORLANDO, Fla. — A new generation of tiny metal scaffolds that prop open arteries has transformed heart care in just a few years and is allowing a growing number of people to avoid having bypass surgery.

The devices, called drug-coated stents, slowly release medication that prevents vessels from reclogging after procedures to open them up.

At an American College of Cardiology conference on Sunday, doctors reported that both brands sold today are equally great at keeping blood flowing smoothly, although one might be better for diabetics. Both were vastly better than the plain old metal ones that were standard just a few years ago.

GROUNDING ASTRONAUTS: WILL THEY EVER GET TO FLY?

SPACE CENTER, Houston — George Zamka has been an astronaut for almost seven years and he still hasn't made it to space. But he's far from alone.

Grounded for two years, a third of the nation's nearly 150 astronauts have never flown in space, and some wonder when they will.

"Part of being at NASA is very few people get to

fly in space," Zamka said. "Everyone else gets their enjoyment by contributing to the space mission."

The last class of astronauts has already been warned that it's unclear whether any of them will fly during the shuttle era, which ends in five years. All face an uncertain future and development of the next-generation space vehicle could take until 2015.

SCHOOLS MOVING TO RID MERCURY FROM SCIENCE LABS

WASHINGTON — As mercury spills in schools disrupt classes, teachers and environmental groups want to rid student labs of the versatile but dangerous metal.

In recent weeks, mercury was found in stairwells and corridors of a high school in the nation's capital. The building had to be closed twice for decontamination and still more traces were found Sunday even as cleaning crews were wrapping up their work in preparation for reopening the school Monday.

"We're shocked," District of Columbia Public Schools spokeswoman Leonie Campbell said.

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department.

"One of the most important things a mentor does is listen. They act as a sounding board for students to bounce ideas off of," Irwin said.

They can suggest directions for research projects, study abroad opportunities, graduate school applications and a whole host of other things a student might be interested in, Irwin said.

"Because mentoring happens outside the formal classroom setting and the fac-

ulty member is not grading the student, the student may feel more comfortable discussing a wide range of issues with that mentor," she said.

"The Honors College has merely formalized a process that occurs naturally between faculty and students all over the university," Sunderman said.

Faculty who are interested in being a mentor must submit biographical information. Additional information is available on the Honors College Web site at [www.eiu.edu/~honprog/faculty.htm](http://www.eiu.edu/~honprog/faculty.htm) or by calling Judy Sunderman at 581-2017.

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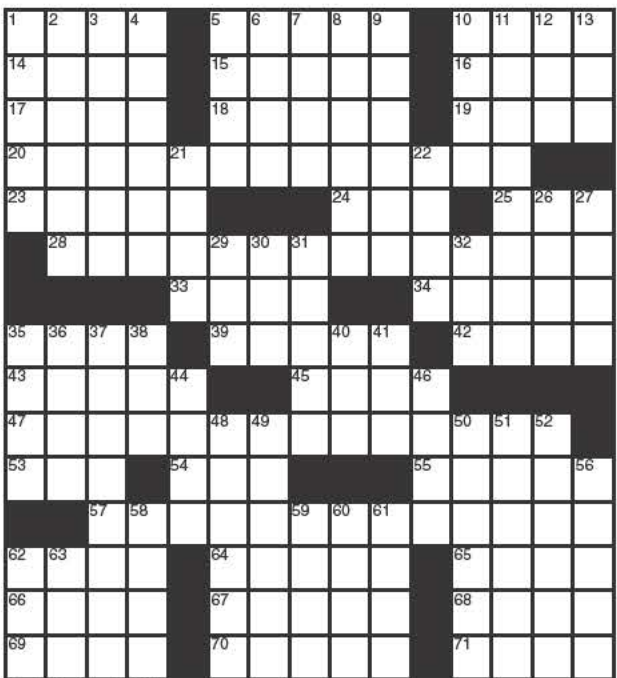
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O'Connor earned her bachelor's degree and is working on her master's in political science.

She said she's not sure what she wants to do after school, but she did mention possibly working for a government agency in Washington D.C. or Chicago.

Gomes led the Panthers and was fourth in the OVC with 16.8 points per game, which helped him gain the recognition of coaches around the league.

"It's a good feeling anytime you get an accolade like that," Gomes said. "I worked hard all year and I have confidence in myself."

Gomes scored a season high 32 points in an overtime win over Tennessee Martin, adding to his career total which stands at 943. If Gomes stays healthy, he will reach 1,000 points early next season.

"It's an accomplishment any time you can score 1,000 points for a school," Gomes said. "I haven't really thought about it yet; but when I do, it I can look at it and be proud."

What Gomes has thought about is next year and how much better they are going to be.

Gomes said he noticed early in the season that this year's team was better than last year's team. He said it was against Evansville and the game was going back and forth but the Panthers pulled away in the end. He said it's a game the 2003-04 Panthers would have lost. But they won.

"We really came together as a team and fought through adversity," Gomes said.

In addition to the two veterans, Tandy was named OVC Freshman of the Year.

"I really didn't expect to get it," Tandy said. "I thought there were a lot of other freshmen in the league that were better than me."

Tandy started 15 games, in which he averaged 6.4 points and 21 minutes a game and a team high



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Junior guard Josh Gomes shoots for two points against Murray State Feb. 26 in Lantz Arena. Gomes was a second team All-OVC selection.

5.1 rebounds per game. He also had a team high 42 blocks and countless electrifying dunks.

Tandy said his dunks in his first collegiate start and his dunk against Murray State are moments that stand out in his mind from this season. It goes without saying that starting as many games as he did and leading the team in blocks and rebounds as a freshman is something that he'll remember.

Tandy along with Bobby Catchings and Bil Duany all return next year, they all played significant minutes for the Panthers this season and they are all freshmen.

"We'll be a lot more mature and have more experience under our belts next year," Tandy said. "You can expect more from us next season."

four hits in 5 and 1/3 innings.

"Mike Budde pitched his heart out in game two," Schmitz said. "He really stepped up and did the job and with (senior left-handed starter) Ted (Juske) under the weather, that was key."

The bullpen almost crumbled again as Schmitz brought in redshirt freshman Mike Manns but only let him face one batter. The lefty from New Lenox gave up a home run rocketed off the bat of Taylor.

Schmitz learned his lesson from the opening game by immediately pulling the middle reliever for Vaculik.

The Panthers' closer went 1 and 2/3 innings for his first save of the season.

"He really is locating his fastball much better this year and mix that with his curve ball; he's really got a lot of confidence," Schmitz said.

## OHIO VALLEY CONFERENCE TOURNAMENT

# Eastern Kentucky earns both of the OVC's NCAA bids

### E. KENTUCKY 52, AUSTIN PEAY 46

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — Travis Ford has played in a handful of NCAA Tournaments and even a Final Four. Coaching his own team to an NCAA appearance easily beats anything the former Kentucky Wildcat ever accomplished on the court himself.

Zach Ingles scored 15 points and Eastern Kentucky earned its first NCAA Tournament berth since 1979 by holding off Austin Peay 52-46 on Saturday in the Ohio Valley Conference championship.

"This will be something that you remember for a lifetime," said Ford, who will be making his NCAA Tournament debut as a head coach.

The Colonels set a school record for victories in a season by winning their seventh straight and improving to 22-8 overall. This will be Eastern Kentucky's sixth NCAA Tournament berth overall.

Ford said he told his Colonels to seize an opportunity that may never come their way again in a conference where only the tournament champion is assured of an NCAA berth.

"I guarantee you if we win this game it moves to the very top without even questioning it, and it does. This is my greatest sports achievement to this date. I'm so happy for these guys that they get to experience it," Ford said.

Michael Haney added 12 points and grabbed 13 rebounds for the second-seeded Colonels. Ford joked that he had to beg the 6-foot-6 senior forward to help him rebuild a program that won only seven games during each of the coach's first two seasons.

Haney said he had faith that Ford would keep bringing in good players, and now he will get to finish his career in the NCAA Tournament — an unimaginable goal four years ago.

"It's just an unbelievable feeling," Haney said.

Austin Peay (13-19) was trying to earn its second NCAA berth in three years despite entering the OVC tournament as the No. 5 seed.

Coach Dave Loos wasn't too upset with a team that won only two of its first 10 games but came so close to an improbable finish.

"I prefer to see it half full. I think these guys, while our record wasn't that good, I think they accomplished some things," Loos said.

The Governors didn't make it easy on Eastern Kentucky.

The Colonels led by as much as 13 twice, the last at 32-19 on a 3-pointer by Ingles with

15:29 left. But Austin Peay got back into the game with a 16-5 run and pulled to 47-46 on a pair of free throws by Maurice Hampton with 50.6 seconds left.

Ingles answered with a long 3-pointer with 21.7 seconds to play to seal the victory.

"He was almost out of bounds," Hampton said of Ingles' 3. "He got a good look and got it off."

Zac Schlader led Austin Peay with 14 points. The Governors hit as many shots at the free-throw line (15-of-21) as they did from the floor (15-of-46). Eastern Kentucky also turned 14 turnovers into 19 points.

Senior guard Anthony Davis, who missed his first seven shots from the floor, got the Governors back into the game by starting the run with a pair of free throws and then drew a foul on a jumper — his first field goal of the game — with 14:37 remaining. Schlader capped the run with a layup that pulled Austin Peay within 37-35 with 9:04 left.

Eastern Kentucky led 22-15 at intermission after an ugly first half that featured poor shooting by both teams. The Governors didn't score from the floor in the final 5:11.

The Colonels weren't much better, hitting 9-of-26. But they took the lead for good on a 3-pointer by Ingles at 9-7, and he hit another to start a 10-0 spurt.

### E. KENTUCKY 84, SEMO 73 (2-OT)

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — Miranda Eckerle had 29 points to lead Eastern Kentucky past Southeast Missouri 84-73 in double-overtime Saturday, clinching the Ohio Valley Conference tournament title and its first NCAA tournament berth since 1997.

Eastern Kentucky outscored Southeast Missouri 18-7 in the second overtime. Nancy Hoist's free throws at 4:37 started an 8-0 run for the Lady Colonels (23-7), who extended their school record-winning streak to 15 games after starting the season 3-6.

Eckerle, the tournament's MVP, made 11-of-17 shots and added 12 rebounds. Laura Shelton and Ashley Cazee each had 14 points.

Natalie Purcell had 16 points for Southeast Missouri (22-8), which led 60-58 after Purcell's jumper with 9 seconds left. But Shelton scored on a driving layup with 1 second left to force the first overtime.

Neither team scored in the final 2:14 of the first overtime after Eckerle tied the game at 66.

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to tie the game. Vaculik gave up a sacrifice fly that could've resulted in a double play but Huber struggled to get the ball out in his glove.

"In an OVC game up 7-2, I hope I don't have to use [Vaculik] but that's why I did what I did," Schmitz said. "I've got to use some guys now otherwise they'll think I don't have confidence in them, but I really do."

With the Tigers up 8-7, Olivet Nazarene starter Rick Weber sat the Panthers down in order to get a rare save using only six pitches.

Eastern earned its first win in the nightcap of the doubleheader, beating the Tigers 5-4.

Szalo went deep for the second time this season putting the Panthers up 1-0.

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SOFTBALL

Panthers' packed schedule yields just one win in seven games

By MARCUS JACKSON  
SPORTS REPORTER

The Panther softball team opened the 2005 season with a full schedule, dropping six of seven games this weekend.

On Saturday and Sunday, Eastern (1-6) participated in the Wolfe Sycamore Classic at Indiana State. The Panthers' lone win came in their first game on Sunday, defeating Northern Illinois 5-3 in eight innings.

Sophomore pitcher Andrea Darnell picked up the win for the Panthers, scattering nine hits over eight innings and striking out five. Darnell also chipped in at the plate, going 2-for-4.

Sophomore infielder Katy Steele, and senior outfielder Cassandra North also had two hits apiece to lead the Panthers.

Later on in the day, Eastern fell to host Indiana State 7-5. Steele led the offensive attack, going 3-for-4, scoring two runs, and driving in another. Sophomore catcher Sandyn Short had two hits and a

run batted in, and Darnell drove in two runs for the Panthers.

Senior Heather Hoeschen took the loss for the Panthers dropping her record to 0-2.

The Panthers opened tournament play on Saturday by dropping a 1-0 decision to North Dakota State. Freshman outfielder Robyn Mackie recorded two hits for the Panthers in the loss. Mackie's twin sister, freshman pitcher Karyn, took the loss for the Panthers. Karyn Mackie allowed just two hits over six innings, giving up one run.

In Saturday's game two, the Panthers lost to the Butler Bulldogs 5-3 despite every starter recording at least one hit in the game. Steele, Robyn Mackie and freshman outfielder Brittany Castle each had two hits apiece.

Eastern opened the season at home on Friday afternoon at home, dropping a pair of games to North Dakota State.

Steele broke up a perfect game bid by NDSU freshman pitcher Allison Bakke with a double in the fifth inning of game one. Steele



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Sophomore center fielder Katy Steele drives the ball for a double against North Dakota State Friday afternoon in the first of two games at Williams Field. The Panthers dropped both games, 2-1 and 7-2, despite Steele's four hits and two RBIs in the losses.

drove in the Panthers' only run in the bottom of the seventh with a single up the middle, scoring junior outfielder Kelly McMahon.

Hoeschen took the loss for the Panthers, giving up two runs on 10 hits, and striking out five. Steele had two of the Panthers' three hits.

In game two, the Bison took advantage of five Panther errors en route to winning the nightcap 7-2. Darnell took the loss for the Panthers despite allowing just one earned run over seven innings pitched. Castle recorded two hits for the Panthers, while Steele, and

sophomore shortstop Chelsea Adams each drove in a run for the Panthers.

Eastern Illinois will be back in action this Wednesday, as the Indiana State Sycamores come to town for a 2 p.m. double-header at Williams Field.

TOP 25 NCAA MEN'S BASKETBALL

On Sunday, nothing was easy for Nos. 1, 2 and 3; Illini, UK fall

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

The end of Illinois' run at a perfect season turned out to be just one part of a wild Sunday for the top three teams in The Associated Press' college basketball poll.

Just hours after Ohio State handed the top-ranked Illini their first loss of the season, No. 3 Kentucky lost by the same one-point margin to Florida.

It took a game-closing 11-0 run for No. 2 North Carolina to beat No. 6 Duke by two points and avoid the top three all losing just days before the conference tournaments get under way.

Illinois (29-1, 15-1 Big Ten) was trying to become the second team in as many seasons to get to "Championship Week" without a loss. Ohio State reserve Matt Sylvester hit a 3-pointer with 5.1 seconds left to give the Buckeyes the 65-64 lead and the Illini's Roger Powell Jr. wasn't close with a 3-point attempt at the buzzer.

"Everyone says a loss will help. We'll find out,"

Illinois coach Bruce Weber said. "We'll learn from it and move on. This next stretch is the most important of the year and that's what people are going to remember."

Saint Joseph's was 27-0 last season when the top-ranked Hawks lost to Xavier by 20 points in the quarterfinals of the Atlantic 10 tournament. The loss didn't derail their season by any means as they reached the round of eight in the NCAA tournament, losing to Oklahoma State in a thriller one game short of the Final Four.

Stanford also made a run at a perfect season last year, winning its first 26 before losing to Washington in the last game before the Pac-10 tournament. The Cardinal won the conference tournament, then were upset by Alabama in the second round of the NCAA tournament.

Xavier's coach in that game against Saint Joe's was Thad Matta. He moved on to Ohio State this season and on Sunday he ended another long run at perfection.

"I'd like to be the other team just one time," Matta said with a laugh. "I'm living for the day I'm the No. 1 team and someone else is trying to do it to us."

The last team to reach the NCAA tournament without a loss was UNLV in 1991. The last team to go undefeated in a season was Indiana in 1976.

Illinois is still the top seed in this week's Big Ten tournament and it's hard to imagine the Illini losing the No. 1 ranking or a No. 1 seed in the NCAA's field of 65.

"I'd rather lose now than three weeks from now," Weber said.

North Carolina freshman Marvin Williams converted a three-point play with 17 seconds left to cap an 11-0 run and give the second-ranked Tar Heels a 75-73 victory over No. 6 Duke.

Sean May had 26 points and 24 rebounds to record his eighth straight double-double for North Carolina (26-3, 14-2), which won its first Atlantic Coast Conference regular season championship

since 1993, the same year of its most recent national title.

Florida ended an eight-game losing streak to Kentucky as Anthony Roberson scored 21 points, including two free throws with 15 seconds remaining.

The Wildcats (23-4, 14-2 Southeastern Conference) had a chance to win it, but Kelenna Azubuike's 3-pointer just before the buzzer bounced off the left side of the rim.

Like North Carolina, Kentucky had already sewed up the top seed in the conference tournament, but the loss to the Gators may wind up costing the Wildcats a No. 1 seed in the NCAA tournament.

There is no record of the top three teams all losing on the same day, although they have all lost in the same week several times. The last time it happened was in November 2003 when the top four — Connecticut, Duke, Michigan State and Arizona — all went down.

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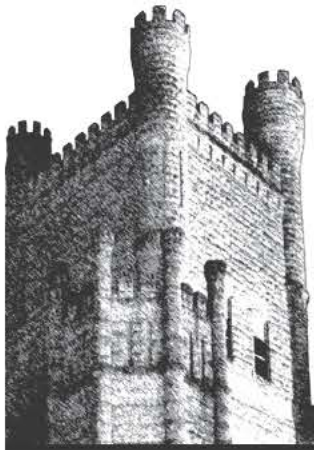
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## Two heads are worse than one

After a 5-6 season that could have easily been an 8-3 season had it not been for some untimely special teams mistakes, Eastern football made a step in the right direction when they got a special teams coordinator.

However with offensive coordinator Jon Carr's resignation and the hiring of Steve Brickey as quarterback's coach, it looks like the Panthers may be taking a step back.

With gigs at Iowa State and Indiana State as an offensive coordinator, Brickey certainly has an impressive resume'. So why wouldn't Eastern hire him as offensive coordinator on top of being quarterback's coach?

It appears that the Panthers won't pursue any further hirings on the coaching staff, and it's possible they'll have assistant head coach Mark Hutson and wide receivers coach Brian Flynn split the coordinating roles.

There's no doubt that Hutson and Flynn are coaches capable of coordinating the Panther offensive attack, but Eastern could lose some focus in the process.

The Panthers will have 10 starters returning from last year's offense that was second in the Ohio Valley Conference, and it will add Florida transfer Justin Midgett at quarterback and running back Norris Smith to an already strong running attack.

So, Eastern can't miss its chance to put together what could be the conference's best offense.

But even if it doesn't happen next year, Eastern will have another shot to put together a great offense. Eight of last year's starters were sophomores, so Eastern's offense is pretty well locked up until 2006.

But that's why it seems strange to have multiple coaches handle offensive coordinator duties.

If you have that much talent on offense and 10 coaches on your staff, why not let one guy focus just on offensive coordinating?

Well, no matter what the situation is on offense, the most important thing is that Eastern has identified and hopefully solved their biggest shortcoming from last season.

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### BASEBALL

## Panthers split; grab their first win

BY MATTHEW STEVENS  
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Eastern's doubleheader with nationally-ranked NAIA Olivet Nazarene could be looked at two different ways. The glass half-full argument states the Panthers were fortunate to get a split on Saturday and the opposite opinion is that they had an opportunity to sweep.

"I thought 13 out of 14 were really good innings," Eastern head coach Jim Schmitz said.

Eastern dropped the opening game by surrendering a five-run in the final inning to lose its sixth straight contest 8-7.

The Panthers were down early after designated hitter Brock Taylor crushed a Kyle Widegren fastball deep over the centerfield wall giving the Tigers a 1-0 lead.

After Olivet Nazarene led 2-0, Eastern knotted the score in the fourth on outfielder Erik Huber's two-run single plating Ryan Campbell and Keiji Szalo.

"I think the key is we are really excited about the middle of our order with Ryan and Keiji along with Kevin Carkeek and Erik Huber is a hitting machine right now," Schmitz said.

Eastern finally got the bats going against Tigers' starter Jay Sayes in the following inning when Campbell took Sayes deep to left.

What appeared to be a long out turned into a home run when Olivet Nazarene left fielder Darin



DANIEL WILLIAMS/THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

Sophomore Brian Long delivers a pitch during the sixth inning in the first game of the Panthers' doubleheader against Olivet Nazarene Saturday at Coaches Stadium. The Panthers lost game one 8-7, but won game two 5-4.

Zimmerman caught the ball, and then dropped it over the fence as he brought his arm back.

The Tigers brought in left-handed reliever Nic Higgins who proceeded to hit Kevin Carkeek and give up a RBI single to Huber and a bases-loaded infield hit by Jon Hickey completed the five-run fifth.

Brian Long pitched a shutout sixth inning but couldn't keep the momentum going in the final inning. Long started the seventh and gave up a sin-

gle, walked a batter, hit two and allowed a two-run single. Schmitz admitted to leaving Long on the mound too long, wanting to sort out his middle relief situation before Ohio Valley Conference play.

"I'll take the blame for that one and then putting Parsons in that situation," Schmitz said. "What people said is 'Why didn't you put in the closer?' and my answer was, 'I have to find out if Long and Parsons can do that.'"

Schmitz made the long walk to

bring in left-hander Ryan Parson (0-1).

The sophomore from Bethany faced one batter (Taylor), walked him, and was sent to the dugout in favor of sophomore closer Chris Vaculik.

Vaculik, who was brought in with bases loaded and no out, got a strike out on a curve but left the breaking ball hanging in the zone as shortstop Michael Nastav ripped a RBI double

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### BASKETBALL

## Three Panthers earn postseason OVC accolades

BY JOHN HOHENADEL  
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Three Panthers were recognized for their outstanding individual performances on the basketball court this season.

Junior guard Josh Gomes and senior center Pam O'Connor were named second team all Ohio Valley Conference by a league of coaches and sports information directors and center George Tandy was selected as OVC Freshman of the Year.

O'Connor led the Panthers and the OVC in field goal percentage (.599) in her final year. She also led Eastern in points per game (15.8), good for third in the OVC.

This is the third year in a row O'Connor has earned second team All-OVC.

"Since this was my last year I think this one's a little more special," O'Connor said. "We're in a great conference so it's quite an honor."

She did say, however, that the award was a little bittersweet, seeing as how her basketball playing days are over.

O'Connor said she already feels weird because she doesn't have practice every day.

She said on the one hand she's glad because she gets to relax her knee. But on the other hand her career is finished.

"My heart aches a little because I've been playing basketball my whole life," O'Connor said. "Understanding that it's all over is kind of hard."

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### Panthers All-OVC Performers

#### All-OVC second team

GP-GS	FG-FGA	.PCT	3FG-3FGA	.PCT	FT-FTA	.PCT	REB.	AVG.	AST.	STL.	BLK.	PTS.	AVG.
27-20	164-274	.599	0-1	.000	98-157	.624	143	5.3	17	27	4	426	15.8



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#### All-OVC second team

GP-GS	FG-FGA	.PCT	3FG-3FGA	.PCT	FT-FTA	.PCT	REB.	AVG.	AST.	STL.	BLK.	PTS.	AVG.
28-28	171-379	.451	28-75	.373	99-120	.825	101	3.6	55	27	4	469	16.8

#### OVC Freshman of the Year

GP-GS	FG-FGA	.PCT	3FG-3FGA	.PCT	FT-FTA	.PCT	REB.	AVG.	AST.	STL.	BLK.	PTS.	AVG.
28-15	55-106	.519	0-2	.000	68-84	.810	142	5.1	27	19	42	178	6.4