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**DEMOCRATS** 



ABBY ALLGIRE | THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

Democratic candidate for U.S. Congress David Gill and Democratic candidate for State Senate Josh Weger high five after the cutting of the ribbon at the opening of the Coles County Democratic Office.

# New headquarters open for candidates

By Abby Allgire City Editor

Democratic candidate for Congress David Gill and Democratic candidate for state Senate Josh Weger jointly cut the ribbon at the grand opening of the Coles County Democratic Headquarters on Sunday at the new headquarters located on 605 Monroe

The headquarters will be a satellite office for Gill and a primary office for Weger.

This will also be a place for other democratic candidates in the area to gain support.

During the opening, each candi-

date presented speeches and spent time socializing as well as answering questions from members of the community.

Gill said the new headquarters will be a good place to have staff members work to increase the support from Coles County and name recognition.

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OIL SPILL

## Documentary to release in fall

By Pablo Rodriguez Campus Editor

Produced by geography professor Cameron Craig, "Returning to Paradise: Humanity's Will to Conquer" is a documentary depicting the effects of the Gulf of Mexico's offshore oil rig explosion caused nearly two months ago.

The documentary consists of interviews from town residents and was shot in five different cities including Baton Rouge and Grand Isle, La., Mobile, Point Clear and Dauphin Island, Ala.

Craig said the narrative documentary is still in the production stage and will be released in the fall. Instead of being philosophical about the documentary, Craig said he wants to let the viewers come to a conclusion on their own.

In addition to the documentary, he said the team gathered enough material to produce a five-part series package as well. All packages were aired last week on WEIU-TV channel 51.

Craig said he is satisfied with the outcome of footage for the packages.

"I think the five packages were nicely put together by Zach (Nugent) and Mike (Gismondi), they did a nice job demonstrating what we experienced," he said.

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LOCAL

#### Concert funds trip

By Alesha Bailey Activities Editor

Megan ZuHone of Mattoon hosted a benefit concert Sunday at Immanuel Lutheran Church located on 902 Cleveland Ave. to help raise money for her future mission

A member of Immanuel Lutheran Church, ZuHone said she is leaving Aug. 22 and will be traveling to four states with the U.S. then end the trip in Denmark.

ZuHone said she has had some experiences traveling with people, but does not like dealing with drastic change.

"I feel like this is a calling, and even though I might be a little nervous, I know that this is all going to work out," she said.

During the concert, ZuHone sang at the performance with the church band. The songs played at the concert were composed of contemporary Christian music. Some of the songs referred to specific Bib-

lical passages.

ZuHone said one of the songs was written by her brother Kirk ZuHone. The song cited the passages of 1 Corinthians 13, which spoke about God's love.

"I think, for me, music and lyrics speak to you on some other level, some other universe," she said.

ZuHone said she has been singing since sixth grade, and first started to sing in the Immanuel Lutheran Church band in high school.

"Christian music helps me connect with God on such a personal level, and I think that personal connection draws me into the singing," she said.

ZuHone said she also graduated from Millikin University in December 2009, with a degree in commercial music and music business.

Although she does not her own songs, ZuHone said she creates harmonies to go with the song.

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CAMPUS

#### Workshop teaches journalism

By Harrison Bueno Staff Reporter

Started in the early 1990s, by annuitant John David Reed, the 2010 High School Journalism Workshop is a two-week course, teaching students about multimedia, print and broadcast providing a hands-on learning experience.

The workshop is funded by many different grants including: the Illinois Press Association, Dow Jones News Foundation, McCormick Tribune Foundation, and the Chicago Sun-Times.

Sally Renaud, workshop director, said The Illinois Press Association selects students for the course by balancing the diversity of the high school students through geography, journalism background, and need-based experience.

She said each student had to provide letters of recommendation, writing samples, and applications forms in order to attend the workshop.

The class is not all about journalism. Renaud said it consists of different levels of maturity, writing, and experience.

"It's about learning to get along with each other, being away from home and being in a college campus for two weeks," she said.

Renaud said many learning factors contribute to the course. Even if the students do not become journalists, she hopes they will become media consumers.

Neel Thakkar, a high school student from Mount Prospect, said he dislikes the fact journalism has moved away from print publications and more toward multimedia.

Although he does not enjoy multimedia, Thakkar said he will have to adjust in order to become a future journalist

"I figure that if I want to do it, I have to learn some of it. I really do prefer writing it, but you got to do what you have to do," he said.

Harrison Bueno can be reached at 581-7942 or at hbueno@eiu.edu.



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Participants in the 2010 Journalism Workshop, Shelby Jones, sophomore from Altamont High School in Altamont, and Esmeralda Moreno, senior from Richwoods High School in Peoria, return to the newsroom in Buzzard Hall to work on assignments after visiting five local area newspapers.

#### **MEATHER TODAY**



**Mostly Sunny** 

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#### WORROMOT REHTAR





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#### **CAMPUS BRIEFS** Minimum wage to increase in July

Minimum wage is set to increase from \$8 an hour to \$8.25 an hour on July 1.

For those under the age of 18, minimum wage is set to increase from \$7.50 an hour to \$7.75 an hour.

#### **Tobacco Coalition** Meeting on Wednesday

The Tobacco Coaliton will meet on Wednesday, June 30.

Anyone is free to join the coalition, which is also called PAST (Panthers Advocating a Smokefree Tomorrow).

The meeting will take place from 1 p.m. until 2:30 p.m. in the Martinsville Room in the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union.

Brad Tribble will lead the meeting.

#### No classes to be held next Monday

Due to the Fourth of July weekend, there will be no classes held on Monday, July 5.

Students should go to their professors with any questions involving the day off or anything else of that sort.

-Compiled by Sam Sottosanto, Editor in

# 6.29.10 Tuesday



JULIA CARLUCCI | THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

A bunny, who calls Eastern its home, looks for clovers to eat in the south quad on Monday afternoon.

#### **ONLINE TEASERS**



#### **Photo Gallery:** Auto Cross

Did you miss the Champaign County Sports Club Auto Cross at Coles County Airport? No problem.

See photos of the event in a photo gallery at DENNews.com.

#### Money Blog: College kids save money

Online Reporter Harrison Bueno writes about ways students can save money.

One method is to let your clothes dry outside instead of using the dryer.

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"Around the world it's fairly common for people to hang their clothes outside, or they hang them inside when the weather is bad. This may Chief | look tacky now . . .

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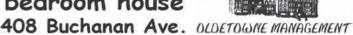
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**MEMORIAL AIRPORT** 

## **Autocross races past Coles County**

By: Pablo Rodriguez

**Campus Editor** 

The 2010 Champaign County Sports Car Club autocross competition was an opportunity for participants to improve driving skills as drivers pushed their cars to the limit last weekend at the Coles Country Memorial Airport.

While speeding cars is usually labeled as a dangerous activity, Barry Rowe, the black corvette Champaign County Sports Car Club president, said autocross racing is safe.

"It is a way to challenge yourself to challenge your car and enjoy your car in a safe way since you are not competing against another car," he said.

Rowe said he has been participating in this competition for 35 years. He said the best thing about autocross racing is not being limited to specific rules.

"You can go as fast as you want to go, you can be as serious as you want to be, or you can just enjoy it," he said. Steven Wright, a participant of the event, said autocross

racing is a family tradition.

"I've been in the course since 1999, and before the club allowed having go-carts, my son always went with me," he said

Wright also said autocross racing teaches people how to drive defensively.

"There is no better learning base outside drivers' education that would teach you accident avoidance – basically everything we do translates to accident avoidance," he said.

An age requirement is not mandatory to participate in auto crossing.

Children as young as age five can drive go-carts, just as long as their parents sign a waiver.

Teenagers can also participate but have to present a driver's education permit and a co-passenger must be present during driving at all times.

Devin Wright, 15, son of Steven Wright, said he drove his dad's car in the competition. He said he has been competing in the racecourse since he was eight-years old.

Wright said he does get nervous any-



CHARLES LEGRAND | THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

A driver and passenger prepare themselves to take on the autocross course prepared and hosted by Champaign County Sports Car Club at the Coles County Airport last Saturday.

more before the autocross races and when driving he only concentrates on the course.

"When I'm in the course, I see nothing but the course itself—no one else there," he said. "That is pretty much

because of the adrenaline and also because I've been doing this for many years."

The next autocross event will be on July 17 at the Rantoul Aviation Center site.

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STAFF EDITORIAL

# Transfers need to get prepared for EIU now

Transfer students planning on attending Eastern this fall semester, or any future semester at all, need to be prepared for college life before they begin.

This could even be said for incoming freshmen as well.

Many transfer students are coming to Eastern from community colleges, where many of them have still been able to live at

Living in a dorm away from family takes time and patience. Students may end up with a roommate that they don't get along

When this happens students should make a decision: the best decision in this case is contacting housing and asking for another room.

If this isn't done, they will spend the remainder of the year unhappy.

Students also need to get used to doing their own laundry, waking up in time for class, buying their own food and managing their money.

Another thing that most students ignore is their nutrition and how to manage their weight.

When their parents are away, students can eat whatever they want whenever they want and don't realize what they are doing.

Not everyone thinks they are going to gain the freshman 15, but it happens to most college students.

Students should log on to the HERC page on Eastern's website.

There is all kinds of information on there if students are clueless about anything such as alcohol use, managing their finances and their nutrition, sexual health, and even tobacco.

Students should also come to Eastern prepared to get involved. The more involved they are (without being overloaded) the better it is for their social health as well as their resume

Before coming to Eastern, students need to realize that it isn't all about partying and that the real reason why they are here is to get an education.

While it might have been easy to slack off at their community colleges or at their high schools for the incoming freshmen, Eastern classes are serious and will prepare students for their future.

In saying this, students should need to make sure to actually do the homework required of them.

Students need to realize that they need to get the most out of their classes while they are here and before it is too late.

The years at Eastern usually fly by so they only get one chance to make the most of it.

#### FROM THE EASEL



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**GUEST COLUMN** 

## Where should we point the finger?

This column is couresty of Illinois State University's newspaper, *The Daily Vidette*. To read more, log on to http://www.videtteonline.com

In light of the not-so-recent oil spill, many Americans are wondering where to place the blame. Does it lie with President Obama? Or should we assign it entirely to BP, the company charged with cleaning the spill and repaying Americans for the environmental damage? Can blame be placed on all of us, collectively, for being virulent demanders of a constant flow of oil?

Blame can effectively be placed upon all three. But while the president tries to address the people and reassure them the country will be fine and the fishing and tourism will rebound, we must sit and wait for the oil to leave the Gulf and perhaps flow right back up the current back to the United Kingdom. And sit we shall, perhaps for months.

Media attacks on the president, BP and Transocean leave American citizens hungry for more information on what went wrong and how it will be fixed—and fast. Criticism of BP, as the company in charge of drilling even though the drilling rig and personnel were

Transocean's, claims there should have been a back-up plan. We wholeheartedly agree.

Now we also wonder, what is BP's main objective? From hearing their top executives address the American public and describe all they are doing to stop the flow of oil and clean up the coast, we assume they are concerned with the environment. And they likely are. But priorities aside, BP is first and foremost concerned with their image and still has the rights to Google searches like "oil spill" and "BP," which bring you directly to their Gulf of Mexico response site.

We do not wish to fully discredit this effort to show the public what the clean up effort entails. The site provides valuable resources, including response contact numbers, video clips about wildlife rescue and environment clean up, a live feed of the oil spill and the latest news.

Unfortunately for Obama, this oil spill will inevitably define his presidency. Bob Herbert, a columnist for the New York Times, dubs it a "grotesquely harmful and wholly unnatural disaster."

What we also know is this: with a capitalist system comes advantages and disadvantages. Our president can do little to clean up the oil or even spur on BP's progress in the effort. What we all sometimes forget is the simple fact that giant oil companies have a sleeper hold on government. Oil is needed for our economy to survive in its current state, and we must also remember who demands this oil.

As consumers of this liquid gold, it is not right for us to place all shreds of blame on the company, the president, the government, or the oil deities. And as citizens of this country, it is perfectly acceptable to be furious that tar balls wash up on our shores, oil plumes float ominously under the Gulf's surface and birds wash up covered beak to tailfeathers in petroleum.

We hope fixing these issues in the future starts on the political side and ends on the corporate side, not the other way around. One day, if new technologies force us to undergo more dangerous procedures to procure resources, a strategic plan—easily accessible by the public—should always be in place. And, in the case of the current oil spill, this plan should be applied as it best works for the specific spill. Did BP learn from the 1989 Exxon Valdez spill by Alaska? Perhaps not.

The bottom line is this: as consumers, we demand oil. As citizens, we demand fast answers. But as people, we should work together and understand that mistakes will always be made. It is about correctly making them right.

#### COLUMN

## Drinking does not have to be a lifestyle

Someone shot me a strange look when I told him that I didn't drink.

Then he looked me straight in the eye and said, "You will, eventually."

People both on and off campus seem to develop this stereotype that all college students drink.

Here's a fact for anyone who thinks this:

not ALL college students drink or will drink during their college careers. According to the National Center on Addiction and Substance Abuse at Columbia

According to the National Center on Addiction and Substance Abuse at Columbia University, 3.8 million full-time college students in the country, or 49 percent of students, do drink.

If this statistic is accurate, then I know what about half of you are thinking: I must be the biggest loser ever.

Well, to prove how big of a loser I am, here are the reasons why I don't drink. I don't need to drink to fit in or make

new friends.

Drinks can relax you in social situations, but for me, it's better that I teach myself

how to be more relaxed around people with-



#### Alesha Bailey

out getting drunk and completely losing control.

I don't believe that I'm going to meet that "special someone" through partying or drinking.

I dated someone who did drink, but our social interests weren't in tune with one another.

Other reasons are because hardly any of my friends drink, and drinking goes against my religious and personal beliefs.

And, believe it or not, I absolutely hate the taste of beer.

But the most important reason why I don't drink is because I'm underage and my mom would have a heart attack if she heard

that I had gotten in trouble with the law. I would prefer not to take that risk.

And I'm not opposed to all parties, but sometimes the really big ones get way out of hand, particularly the ones where people keep me up until 2 a.m.

I'm not saying that all people who drink are alcoholics; that would be stereotyping on my part

But I do question whether or not nondrinkers are a minority on Eastern's campus since we are known to be a "party school."

I also wonder if Eastern may be developing a bad reputation, but that's not an assumption, it's just a question.

I'm not trying to judge or condemn anyone, but students can find other things to do, such as going to a concert without alcohol or throwing small parties without alcohol.

And I'm not opposed to drinkers. I'm just not one of them.

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#### CONCERT, from page 1

ZuHone said she is mostly inspired to pursue her music career and the mission trip in the hope of letting God work through her and others with music.

"In some way, I want to be involved in the

ZuHone said she is mostly inspired to pursue church, and if I can, I'd love to have my own band or work at a record store, or a radio station," she said.

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ALESHA BAILEY | THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

Trina Oetting on vocals, Megan ZuHone on vocals, Blake Akers on drums, Jon Schubert on guitar and John Dixon on bass guitar performed at the Immanuel Lutheran Church on Sunday.

#### HEADQUARTERS, from page 1

He said his theme for the upcoming election is "take the government back from the corporate dollars that have taken over politics and the government."

"I take no corporate money, and I take no money from political parties," he said. "I am strictly funded by individuals because that is whom I intend to work for when I get to Washington."

Gill said he wants to emphasize the likelihood of success to the public.

He also said the campaign is making steady progress.

"I fully anticipate victory," Gill said.

As part of his campaign, Weger said he wants to participate in solving the problems of Springfield.

"I'm all about finding solutions and getting results," he said. "We are working to build a party that puts people first."

Although the campaign will be tough, Weger said he is ready for the race and the fight.

"I intend to earn all of my votes in this election," he said.

Weger added he is appreciative for the

show of support given by Coles County and the positive outcome of the grand opening.

The host as well as Chairman of the Coles County Democratic Party, Paul Wieck, said the location for the headquarters was chosen because it is a central meeting place.

Wieck said the headquarters is open to anyone in the community to gather information, engage in conversation and discuss issues with political candidates.

"The theme of the Democratic Party is to encourage participation," he said.

Wieck said he hopes the headquarters will generate participation of community members

"We want to encourage the citizens that democracy only survives if we all participate and join together," he said.

The Coles County Democratic Headquarters is accepting volunteers to help with the campaigning.

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#### DOCUMENTARY, from page 1

Nugent, a graduate student, said the group interviewed a couple from Dauphin Island whose beach rental business experienced economic hardships before the oil reached their

Nugent said the couple had 200 cancellations in five weeks.

He said they made enough money to stay afloat during the summer months but with a 70 percent cancellation rate the oil spill accident is affecting their business drastically.

"It is the worst environmental disaster our nation has seen, but it's not as if oil is coating every beach, it's not as if it's everywhere along the gulf," he said.

Nugent said the Gulf of Mexico is such a large area and even though tons of oil has been wasted into the gulf, it's spread out and present but not visible in certain areas.

He also said many spots are com-

pletely clear of oil, some locations have a little and certain areas have spots where the oil has washed ashore.

"But it is so spread out and that is one thing I was not expecting," he

Michael Gismondi, a senior geography major who also accompanied Craig during the trip said most of their stories derive from Dauphin Island, a town in which tourism and real estate businesses have

been affected.

Due to the misperceptions tourists have about the oil spill and the condition of the town, the community's revenue continues to suffer, he said.

Gismondi said he too was expecting to see the images of tons of oil spreading through the waters depicted on TV, in contrast to people views the land and beaches still look amazing.

"Once we finally hit a beach and

we saw that it wasn't like that we didn't really know where the story was going to go," he said. "At that point we were like did we come here for no reason?"

To see the documentary's trailer and the five-part series packages visit http://gehd.blogspot.com.

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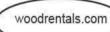
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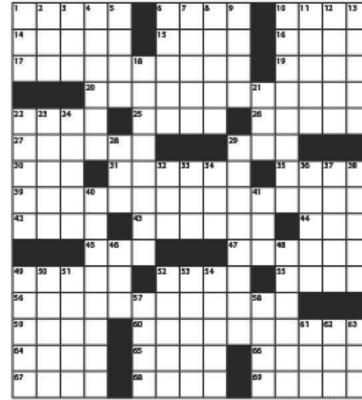
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She then came back to Illinois to coach her old high school girl's basketball team from Bloomington Central Catholic High School last year.

They won the championship for 2A.

Sallee said that Galligan's experience coaching high school would be a great benefit to her when she coaches college. He also said that he would have hired her anyway, even if she hadn't coached high school.

This season, the women's basketball team will only have six returning players, but eight more will join the team, according to Sallee. None of them will be seniors.

"I'm just so anxious," Galligan said. "I want this program to succeed just as much as anyone; whatever I have to do to make it work."

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"(Rachel) knew her and so I think she understands. I think she's ready to do a good job. I think Jackie would have been happy for Rachel to get this opportunity."

Brady Sallee, women's basketball coach

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Jordan Boner

## Time again for baseball

The World Cup is pretty much over for me. After the U.S. was eliminated, I became a casual fan. I'm just not as interested.

Sure, there are some great teams left: Brazil, Spain, the Netherlands and Argentina, but without the red, white and blue in the mix, I am just not as into it.

Now I can return to my true summer passion. The MLB season isn't even halfway over yet, and I am ready to immerse myself in baseball all over again.

I can get back to watching Washington's ace Stephen Strasburg pitch at a crazy high level for a rookie.

Strasburg recently suffered his first loss but still got the record for most strikeouts through a pitcher's first four starts.

Other rookie pitchers are also pitching at a high level.

St. Louis' Jaime Garcia is also throwing some great stuff this season.

Garcia is 7-4 with a 2.27 ERA and 70 strikeouts.

Mike Leake, of the Cincinnati Reds, has also been throwing gems all season long.

He has thrown 58 K's with a 2.29 ERA while winning five games and losing just one.

Atlanta Hawks outfielder Jason Heyward has amassed a decent rookie year as well. He has slowed down from the torrential pace he was at earlier this season, but he is still hitting well.

Ubaldo Jimenez has arguably been the most interesting player in baseball this year. He has dominated hitters all season long.

Jimenez has amassed 13 wins and just one loss. His ERA is an impeccable 1.60, and he has whiffed 95 hitters so far this season.

It will be interesting to see if he can keep up his dominance after the upcoming All-Star break.

Another interesting storyline this season is the tight division races.

No division in baseball has a clear-cut runaway right now.

The biggest gap between the number one and number two teams in any division is in the AL and NL West divisions.

In the AL west, the Texas Rangers and redhot outfielder Josh Hamilton hold a four-andhalf-game lead over the Los Angeles Angels.

The same gap stands in the NL West stand with the San Diego Padres leading the San Francisco Giants.

Most of the division races are extremely tight, with two or three teams within a few games of the lead, and will create great competition when the regular season comes to a close in September.

It is definitely time to put the World Cup on the backburner and watch the many great storylines playing out in baseball.

The second half of this season will be very interesting.

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#### COACH



FILE PHOTO BY ALYCIA ROCKEY | DAILY EASTERN NEWS

Rachel Galligan, alumna, played for the women's basketball team from 2005 until 2009 as number 52. She scored a total of 1,891 points, making her the all time lead scorer for the Panthers.

By Sam Sottosanto Editor in Chief

On July 1, a legend will be coming home.

Rachel Galligan, alumna and the all time leading scorer for the Panthers, has accepted the job as assistant women's basketball coach.

"(I am) beyond thrilled," Galligan said. "I can't even put (it) into words; it's the perfect fit, perfect opportunity. I want to seize the moment, learn as much as I can

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FILE PHOTO BY ALYCIA ROCKEY | DAILY EASTERN NEWS Rachel Galligan is seen in 2009 celebrating after a victory for the Panthers.

from the coaches who taught me so much as a player."

Galligan graduated from Eastern in 2009, and scored 1,891 points during her basketball ca-

Coach Brady Sallee said he made the decision to hire Galligan at the end of May.

He is confident that she will be as good of a coach as she was a player.

"She's definitely got a level of credibility here that is going to help her when she's talking to these kids," Sallee said. "I think she can approach it from a 'been there, done that' standpoint."

Sallee said it was important to him that the new assistant coach is loyal to the team.

Since Galligan played for the Panthers all four years she went to school at Eastern, she was a perfect fit.

The position became open when assistant basketball coach Jackie Moore died of valvular disease last November. Sallee said he could not compare anyone to Jackie.

"Rachel played for Jackie also, and knew her and so I think she understands. I think she takes that extremely seriously and I think she's ready to do a good job," Sallee said. "I think Jackie would have been happy for Rachel to get this opportunity."

Galligan also thinks that Moore would have been proud of her.

While she played under Moore for two years, she was able to see the way she coached and cared about each individual player.

Galligan plans to never forget that when it comes to coaching herself.

"Emotions come into play with Jackie and especially that I'm filling her spot," Galligan said. "Even though at the time I didn't realize I was going to be coaching at Eastern, Jackie was a role model for me."

Before accepting the job at Eastern, Galligan played professional basketball in Spain for a month.

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#### EASTERN SPORTS SCHEDULE

World Cup Paraguay v Japan Tuesday at 10 a.m.

World Cup Spain v Portugal Tuesday at 2:30 p.m. World Cup Netherlands v Brazil Friday at 10 a.m.

World Cup Uruguay v Ghana Friday at 2:30 p.m. World Cup Argentina v Germany Saturday at 10 a.m. World Cup Winner Match 55 v Winner Match 56 Saturday at 2:30 p.m.