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DEPARTMENT

Dean search down to five

By Mel Boydston Staff Reporter

For the next month, the Lumpkin College of Business and Applied Sciences will be interviewing the five final candidates to fill its current vacant dean position.

The candidates include: Jeffrey W. Steagall, from the University of North Florida,

Jeffrey McNabb, from Indiana State, Mahyar Izadi, from Eastern, Ronald D. Mc-Neil, from the University of Illinois-Springfield, and James E. Payne, from Illinois State.

However, the road to this final round of interviews has not been a short one. The national search began in October with advertising for the position in such venues as the magazine Chronicle of Higher Education, said Mary Anne Hanner, dean of the College of Sciences.

The dean search committee, chaired by Hanner, is responsible for the application and interview process. The candidates must have met the standard set by the committee and the university.

The new dean should: "encourage creativity, innovation, scholarship, and interaction among faculty; and foster diversity among faculty and students," according to the listed qualifications set by the committee.

The dean search committee is comprised of two representatives from every school within the college, in addition to one student representative and one representative from the military science department.

By November, the college had received 33 applicants for the position.

After narrowing the search down to 10 candidates, phone interviews with the applicants were conducted by the committee.

"It's about reaching a consensus," Hanner said. "The committee comes together with a lot of respect for one another and their opinions.

After further interviewing and reviewing of applications was conducted, the committee narrowed down the applicant pool to five final candidates.

These candidates will be visiting Eastern for their final interviews.

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CUPB to meet for first time this spring

Staff Report

The Council for the University Planning and Budget will meet for the first time of the spring semester Friday.

The agenda for the meeting was not yet available as of Wednesday.

The CUPB will meet at 3 p.m. Friday in the 1895 Room of the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union.

At the last meeting on Dec. 10, 2010, committee members discussed the university's new Strategic Planning effort, organized by William Weber, the vice president for academic affairs.

Council members were also invited to join the steering committee for the effort at the meeting. About 24 members will be appointed to the committee.

CAMPUS



Alyssa Gifford and Abbie Switzer, senior communication majors look at information about a study abroad located in Harlaxton College in England during Wednesday's Study Abroad Fair in the University Ballroom of the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union.

Study Abroad Fair shares information

By Kayleigh Zyskowski

News Editor

Applications to study abroad along with applications for scholarships to study abroad for the summer of 2011 are due Feb. 2.

With that in mind, faculty members and students set up booths in the University Ballroom Wednesday for the Study Abroad Fair to recruit students for their

Ty'Esia Neal, a senior biological sciences major, traveled to China in the summer of 2009 on a trip with the biology department and was promoting this trip at the fair.

"I've traveled to other places before, but never any where as exotic as China," Neal said.

able to study the different ways Chinese societies use plants for food and medication, said Gordon Tucker, a biological studies profes-

"Not only do we do a lot of studying with plants, we do a number of different cultural activities and see some of the wellknown landmarks," Tucker said.

During the trip to China, the students see Beijing, one of the major cities, but time is also taken out of the schedule to see the During this trip students are smaller towns and the different cultures outside the city.

"Other programs take the students to the cities, but students on this trip see both the cities and the smaller areas where the scenery is amazing," said Zhiwei Liu, a biology professor. "By seeing the smaller communities, the students

can see some of the people who have formed their culture, traditions and their own way of using plants."

Liu is originally from the Hunan area in China. During the trip the group takes a two-hour train ride to Hunan to spend 10 to 12 days experiencing the subculture within China.

Here there are national parks where scenes from the film "Avatar" were filmed, specifically the Hallelujah Mountains scenes.

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CAMPUS

'Up All Night' offers unique experience

Staff Report

The "Up All Night" for the spring semester will take place today from 7 to 11 p.m. on the second floor of the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union.

Otis Seawood, the events coordinator for the University Board and a senior family services major, said while the event takes place each semester, this semester the UB is cosponsoring the event with not only

the union but also the University Food Court, the Union's Book store and many more organizations to bring numerous features to the

Seawood said there will also be blue passports that can be found throughout the Union that will give students more deals.

"People should come to have fun, meet new people, and do something else on campus," Sea-

Up All Night events

- · 25 percent off on novelty items at the Union Bookstore
- Free bowling
- Free food and candy bars
- · A caricature artist, bingo
- · An exotic reptile zoo
- · Toilet bowl racing
- · An oxygen bar
- · A photo booth Several video games including the Xbox Kinect

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what's on tap

THURSDAY

7:30 p.m. - Gaudete Brass concert

The Chicago-based brass quintet named the Gaudette Brass will perform at 7:30 p.m. in the Doudna Fine Arts Center. The concert is free and open to the public.

5 p.m. - Dinner and a movie

Watch the movie "Dinner for Schmucks" in Carman Hall while eating. Students who swipe their Panther card for dinner can fill out an entry form and win the featured movie.

SATURDAY

10 a.m. - Happy Birthday Ben

Celebrate Ben Franklin's 305 Birthday in the Ballenger Teachers Center in Booth Library. A variety of crafts and stories will be available for children ages 3 to 6 who are accompanied by an adult.

2 p.m. - Bags Tournament

The Association of Information Technology is hosting a bags tournament in McAfee Gymnasium. Sign up is in the Lumpkin Hall Lobby Thursday from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Cost is \$5 a person.

All Day - Monical's Pizza fundraiser

Twenty percent of the proceeds from purchases made at Monical's Pizza will be donated to the Community Journalism Scholarship. Flyers, which must be used for the donation, are available by contacting Nick Persin at njpersin@eiu.edu.

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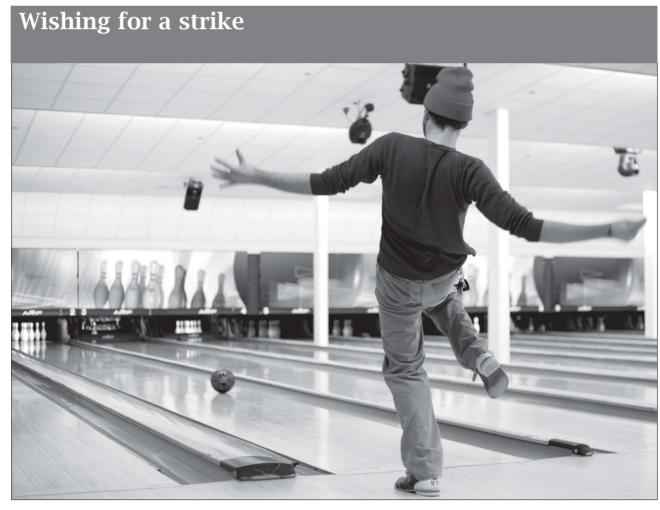
Blog: What tiger mother?

Have your teachers been talking about the Tiger Mother and you have no idea what they are talking about?

Well Doug Graham sums up the issue in his blog: "To push or not to push" at DENnews.

There are always many different experts that parents can turn to for advice on how to raise their children, but a recent column has caused a massive debate on whether the "hands-on" or "hands-off" approach is best when attempting to raise children.

Last week, the Wall Street Journal published a column titled "Why Chinese Mothers Are Superior," which was an excerpt from a new memoir by Amy Chua, a Yale Law professor and author, entitled "Battle Hymn of the Tiger Mother." Check out the rest of Doug's blog at DENnews.com.



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Gabe Przygoda, a junior a communication studies major, bowls during a youth group event sponsored by Central Christian Church Wednesday in the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union's Bowling Alley

Thursday

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2004

A hot water pipe burst in Carman Hall caused by an open window. Several inches of water covered the floor of the room and was leaking into the hallway and adjacent rooms. The flood was discovered when a student noticed water dripping form his ceiling.

1989

Spring fraternity rush was monitored for alcohol. The interfraternity council monitored the events to prevent the breaking of any rules. During rush all the fraternities were restricted from presenting alcohol in any way.

1981

A two-alarm fire destroyed the old Charleston grain elevator north of town on Rt. 130. The building was engulfed in flames by the time the Charleston and Lincoln fire stations arrived. After they arrived a second explosion shook the elKayleigh Zyskowski 217 • 581 • 7942

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STUDENT GOVERNMENT

Pantherpalooza set for Wednesday

By Nike Ogunbodede

Student Government Editor

The Student Senate approved the Spring Pantherpalooza budget unanimously while three other resolutions were tabled during Wednesday's meet-

The Apportionment Board first approved the line item transfer for the Spring Pantherpalooza last semester.

"The money has already been allocated for," said Dan Rolando, the vice president of student affairs.

So far 50 Registered Student Organizations have registered, Rolando

The Spring Pantherpalooza "Are You Panther Approved?" will take place from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Jan. 26 in the University Ballroom of the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union.

Pantherpaloozas usually only take place during the fall, but because of the overwhelming response of the last Pantherpalooza the student government decided to do one in the spring as well, Rolando said.

The event will have raffles, goodie bags, and other prizes.

"(The) last day to sign up is Monday on the (University Board) website," he said, during the Senate meeting. "Please come out and support through your RSO."

The senate members tabled three other resolutions including the allocation of COSGA and the UB's Special Events fund.

The third tabled item was a bylaw that would put set guidelines for how and when senate members are allowed to approach the AB.

'We have an unwritten rule about the process of going to (the) AB, but I think it is something that needs to be in the bylaws," said Ashley Hoogstraten, the vice president of business affairs and chair of the AB.

Hoogstraten, a senior corporate communications major, along with John Poshepny, a junior finance major, were the two senate members who authored the tabled resolution.

Student Body President Michelle Murphy motioned to pull the resolution because she said the wording needed to reworked.

"Regardless, of what day we vote on it this semester it doesn't go into effect this semester anyway," said Murphy, a senior communication major.

The tabled resolutions will be discussed during next week's senate meet-

During the audience participation, the co-chairwomen from the Illinois Residence Hall Association announced Eastern was picked to host the statewide conference, which will take place Feb. 18 to 20.

"To get the bid we first made a 30page document that outlined what would be going on for the weekend, anything from the hotels to entertainment," said Julia Novotny, a junior physics major.

The IRHA Conference will not be open to Eastern students, but IRHA 2011 Conference co-chairwomen, Karla Browning and Novotny did leave an invitation for senate members to participate in the conference.

"Right now, we have about 240 delegates registered to attend the conference," said Browning, a senior family and consumer science major. "Which is a really great turnout."

Tiffany Turner, a former student senate speaker, and an eight-semes-



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Kyle Scherle, student senate member, discusses UV special event budget allocations Wednesday evening in the Arcola/Tuscola room of the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union.

ter student senate member also spoke about Camp New Hope during the audience participation.

"I think (the first meeting) went smoothly. I'm very impressed with the new senate (members)," said Jarrod Scherle, the student senate speaker. "Change isn't pretty and it's not easy."

The next Student Senate meeting will be at 7 p.m. Wednesday in the Arcola-Tuscola Room in the Martin King Jr. University Union.

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EVENT

Concert will bring new funk

Music starts at 7 p.m.

By Seth Schroeder **Activities Editor**

The Mitch Davis Experience and the band Indigo Sun will perform at the 7th Street Underground in the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union today at 7 p.m. The event is known as the Moon Party Dance

This will be the first electronic music concert Eastern has hosted, said Cassie Falco, the event's coordinator for the University Board and a sophomore family and consumer science major.

"It will be a very good time with very good vibes," Falco said, "It's a different type of music not a lot of people have been exposed

The Mitch Davis Experience involves the music of Mitch Davis, a senior management information systems major, who said he looks forward to playing for his school.

"It's a different type of music not a lot of people have been exposed

Cassie Falco, event coordinator

have to travel too far, it looks good on a resume, and it's fun.'

Davis said his music includes many genres including jazz and funk. To create this sound he uses keyboards, drum machines, mix machines and talk boxes.

He said he must carefully select a small sample of his music for his 30-minute time slot, but there will also be lights and lasers.

The other band, Indigo Sun, is from the Chicago area. While they have never played for Eastern before, Kyle Liss, the band's keyboa srdist, said they have played in Charleston.

Liss said the band aims to heal people through its music.

"We are big believers in shamanic "It's great," Davis said. "I don't $\;\;$ tribes," Liss said. "We would like to

approximate that same positive energy through our music.'

Indigo Sun has played several shows in the Chicago area as well as The Woodchuck Festival of Music and Art in the Charleston area.

Like Indigo Sun, The Mitch Davis Experience has also performed at Woodchuck and has also played at Freydom Festival, Squarefest and several parties within Charleston.

Both bands also plan to play at the upcoming Ravechuck in Charleston.

The event is free to attend and includes several giveaways such as glow

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BOOTH LIBRARY

Franklin's funny side is shown at presentation

By Seth Schroeder **Activities Editor**

Booth Library will host a presentation titled "Benjamin Franklin's Standup Comic: The Speech of Miss Polly Baker" at 4 p.m. in the Conference Room. Parley Ann Boswell, an English professor, created the presentation and will deliver it as well.

The lecture focuses on Franklin's work, "The Speech of Miss Polly Baker" written in 1747. While Franklin never officially claimed the speech, modern day scholars have proven he was the author.

"I chose to do Polly Baker because it's so funny," Boswell said. "He makes up this woman's voice who's court for having her fifth illegitimate child. I call it Ben Franklin in drag."

Boswell explained when Franklin wrote the speech, he had an illegitimate son and had never denied him.

"In the 18th century, if you were an unmarried and a pregnant woman you were punished," Boswell said. "Franklin recognized this hypocrisy and likely wrote the speech to con-

Joclyn Tipton, the dean of library services, said the presentation showed another aspect of Franklin that many are not familiar with.

We know him for his inventions, but this is more about his comedy and writing," Tipton said.

Boswell said the speech is as good as any modern stand-up comedy and that like all good comedy, "you come away with it understanding something about the world."

"There's always something serious about comedy," Boswell said. "Usually it challenges the status quo and challenges hypocrisy, especially the hypocrisy of the powerful. (Franklin) understood what it was like to be poor, he understood what it was like to be rich. He used comedy to make his point instead of acting rich and powerful and lecturing or bullying someone."

It is part of the library's participation in a national program run by the American Library Association and National Endowment for Humanities.

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FINE ARTS

Thriller' exhibit explores multiple types of media

By Sam Bohne

Campus Editor

Adam Parker Smith's art installation "Thriller" will be on display in the Tarble Arts Center throughout the January until Feb. 20.

Smith visited Eastern in December of 2010 to speak about his artwork.

In the background of the dimly lit Tarble Arts Center the Jaws theme song played in the background as participants attended an artist lecture by Smith on Dec. 2, 2010. The Jaws theme song emanated from an adjacent room where Smith's "Thriller" exhibit was set up for students to

Smith began the lecture with photos of his work, spanning seven years, starting with projects he worked on in graduate school.

Smith, who used multiple forms of media, displayed several images of

Smith said he wanted his dolls to be different so he gave them eyebrows and genitalia. The dolls used in Smith's exhibits were modeled after people he knew or people he wanted to know.

When displaying a photo of an exhibit Smith showed an unclothed doll standing in front of several paintings. He shared that the doll was of a woman who worked at a grocery store down the street from where he lived.

Another piece Smith created with the dolls landed him in jail while he was in Italy. Smith snuck his dolls into the Vatican to take photos of them, but Smith was arrested and the dolls confiscated.

"The dolls remained in the Vatican's collection as evidence," Smith said jokingly.

He also displayed 2D pieces of artwork including a collage, "Salami," made up of magazine clippings of genitalia, eyes and lips.

"I got a bunch of adult magazines and I cut out all of the red and the pink bits," Smith said.

Lei Curtis, a graduate art student, thought "Salami," was interesting because of the way Smith took pornographic images and turned them into a piece of meat.

"The 'Salami' piece was really in-

teresting and kind of that poking fun at the idea of meat and people as meat or objects," Smith said. "You hear that referred to a lot in contemporary society and I thought that was kind of an interesting way to take the pornographic images and create actually a piece of meat."

Kate Grunst, a freshman special education major, liked pieces like Smith's hand built player piano.

"I like how he thinks about everything big and then breaks it down small," Grunst said.

The piano, built by Smith, was burnt piece by piece before it was assembled. Smith showed a video of the charred piano playing a piece written by Smith's brother.

This piece interested Kristy

Hughes, a graduate art major, as well.

"I'm so impressed with his ability just to make things and make them workable," Hughes said.

Maggie Crowley, a graduate art major, said she liked how Smith's work was both internal and external, like Smith's playing piano.

"I liked how there was a strong depth of creation surface wise, like 2D, but building the motor and the piano and building the piano to actually function," Crowley said.

Smith's exhibit, "Thriller" has been at the Tarble Arts Center since Dec. 4 and can be viewed until Feb. 20.

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STAFF EDITORIAL

Death row should still be an option

The death penalty is, and will always be, a touchy subject. Every person has a different opinion on how it should be handled, but it boils down to whether or not we should have

Eastern had a case 10 years ago, where a former student and worker, Anthony Mertz, murdered a student, Shannon McNamara. Mertz broke into McNamara's apartment, strangled her to death, stabbed her several times, and then sexually assaulted her with

Mertz was given the death penalty, and now sits on death row. If Gov. Quinn signs the bill to end the death penalty in Illinois, Mertz will still stay on death row.

Quinn will have the option to let those on death row have a prison sentence of life instead. Not only will Mertz not fully pay for his crimes again McNamara if he is taken off death row, but this will also cause all of McNamara's friends and family to relive everything that happened to her. They would have to cope with their loved one's killer getting a lighter sentence.

Even if Quinn does not let those already on death row off, that means the next person to commit such heinous crimes as Mertz will not have to face the death penalty. Or, what about someone who kills multiple children? The jury should have the option to suggest the death penalty in that case.

Yes, the death penalty is expensive, and some people find it to be morally wrong, but we should not eliminate it completely. If Quinn signs that bill, we no longer have that

We think each individual case is different and should be treated that way. We are not saying that the death penalty should always be an option, but it should be one in some

When someone has committed multiple murders or heinous crimes, then the death penalty should be available. Yes, there is that chance that the wrong person is being charged, but we think the death penalty should be an option in cases where all of the evidence points to the defendant 100 per-

The defendant would still have the chance to appeal, but there should be tighter limits on the appeals in death penalty cases. The whole purpose of the death penalty is defeated when the person remains in jail for 20 years before their death sentence is put into

The death penalty is an expensive and controversial punishment, but extreme cases call for extreme measures. The crime Anthony Mertz committed against Shannon McNamara was extreme and heinous. If Quinn signs the bill to eliminate the death penalty, the next person that commits such a crime will not be put to full justice.

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Master's Degrees not worth their plaque?

As the job market gets worse, more and more recent college graduates are choosing to go to graduate school and get an advanced degree before even attempting to take a crack at

Taking a look at the job numbers is enough to make any recent college graduate wary. There are almost twice the number of unemployed people now than there were just three years ago in January of 2008. Provided the economy adds back 150,000 jobs a month (something we have yet to do consistently in the past three years), we still have at least four years until unemployment is to what it was three years ago. Given that, it may seem beneficial to spend time that you could very well likely be looking for a job, in school getting a degree that may help one stand out all the more when they go looking.

That is the line of thinking that I had maintained my freshman and sophomore years. I would lie awake at night thinking of my future. Getting a graduate degree seemed like the best way to get a great job with no penalty other than adding a few more couple thousand dollars onto my debt load, which thanks to Eastern is among the lowest in the state (note: I'm kidding, the cost of college, gradu-



Doug T. Graham

ate school or not, is ridiculous and nothing to sugar-coat).

My view was shaken over the summer while working as an editorial intern for Consumers Digest magazine. I was helping one of the associate editors contact experts in the graduate school field for a story pitch on if the benefits of graduate school were worth the price. The people I spoke with ranged from admissions counselors, to authors, to graduate school deans and all of them had their own perspec-

One of the mantras that kept coming up in my interviews was the line "The master's degree is the new bachelor's degree, the bachelors degree is the new associates degree and the associates degree is the new GED." This trend of adding pressure all the way up the food chain

could drive students to pursue master's degrees not to stand out, but out of necessity.

The situation differs substantially for each type of advanced degree out there. In Tuesday's edition of The Daily Eastern News, Abby Allgire wrote of the substantial effort she had to exert to get into law school. Law school is essential for one to be a lawyer. However, getting a MBA may not be necessary for a business major looking to succeed in business. One expert told me that by getting a MBA, some prospective employees were making themselves unhirable because their starting wages would be higher than those who had no MBA.

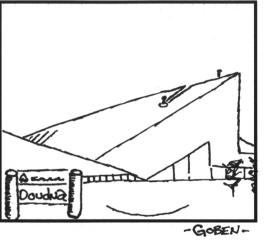
Ultimately the decision of going to graduate school depends on your situation, but I urge those who feel in their gut that it is the best move for them to consider the possibility that their degree may do nothing for them, or worse, harm their chances in the job market. An education, especially an exceedingly expensive one, is a terrible thing to be a waste.

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FROM THE EASEL







GARRET GOBEN | THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

COLUMN

Why feminism is not really a dirty word

A feminist. To many this word can be a dirty "f-word." Many think this is a person is over-bearing, self-righteous and pushy.

This version of a feminist comes with many negative thoughts of extremists and radicals.

These individuals have always been foreign in my eyes, I have never understood what they stood for and where they were trying to get.

But, earlier this week in one of my classes we discussed the different waves of feminism over the last 100 years and the different levels of feminism now.

The different eras have brought about voting rights, property rights, legal equality, reproduction rights, and have help our society make positive steps towards work place equality and violence awareness.

The strides forward have been brought into fruition by many different people.

However, this word can describe a variety of people including, men and women alike, and I have never considered myself one until this week.

I can honestly say I fall into the modern era of feminism.

And despite my previous thoughts, I realized I have been a feminist all along.

Before many turn up their noses toward my statement I feel I should explain.



Kayleigh Zyskowski

I know people who have said that anyone who is a feminist feels women should have more rights than men.

This is not true.

In my past understanding, I thought feminism was the idea that women should be treated the same or better than men, no matter the situation.

This definition did not quite sit right with me for obvious reasons.

Individuals differ, situations differ and for this reason there should never be an ultima-

I am not under the impression that people should be rewarded with a raise or a position simply because of a gender, race or religion, but I do believe that every person should be considered on their own work, experience and

However, noting the differences between individuals is important. To ignore the variations of a human takes away an entire viewpoint on society.

I personally know there are many things that are different between men and women.

Whether this is biological or social, it is true. And honestly, I am OK with that. I am fine that my boyfriend is willing to help me move a desk down three flights of

He is stronger than I ever thought of being; however, it is important for both of us to understand I can change a light bulb, pay a tab, and shovel the driveway, just as he can wash the dishes, fold the laundry and cook a din-

But simply because there are differences, does not mean it should become the rule.

To me, this is what feminism is about, acknowledging the physical differences between men and women, but realizing that simply because someone is a man or woman should not be a handicap for everyday tasks or within society in general.

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THEATER

Playwright attends first reading

By Rachel Rodgers Campus Editor

Playwright George Freek said he has been inspired to write comedies because he does not think there is enough humor in life and it pays to bring humor to people for even an hour or two.

Freek was able to bring humor to others as Eastern students from the theatre department and members of the Charleston Alley Theatre performed a table reading of Freek's comedy "The Road to Sidcup" Wednesday night.

Freek has been writing plays for 33 years. "The Road to Sidcup" is a parody revolving around the lives of couples in a family and unravels with the arrival of Ethelbert, a man who is trying to go to a town called Sidcup to find his shoes.

Instead, Ethelbert finds himself in the middle of the dilemmas in the family like the professional wrestler Lanny proposing that Ethelbert join a plot to kill her husband.

In the end, the three couples reconcile and Ethelbert receives a pair of shoes without going to Sidcup.

Paul Martin, a senior theatre arts and English language arts major with teacher certification major, read the stage directions during the table reading.

"Even though couples may be unhappy with who they are with and they complain, they all make up and realize that it is better than being alone," Martin said. "We cut some stage directions because they interrupted the rhythm of the lines and it is important to make sure your timing is right or else there is an awkward pause."

Elyse Waggoner, a senior theatre performance major, said she thought the leprechaun's Scottish accent was comedic and the dimensions of the characters added to the comedy of the play.

"I thought the play was really well written, especially because of the development of the character relationships," Waggoner said.

Nick Shaw, the assistant professor of technical theatre, also performed in the table reading.

"For the reading we had two rehearsals beforehand and I read the script on my own a few times to prepare for the first rehearsal," Shaw said.

About 15 people attended the table

"I thought that the actors did a very



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Julie Ann Zielinski, a sophomore theatre major with a performance arts emphasis, smiles as she plays the part of Ruthie in the play "The Road to Sidcup" Wednesday evening in the Movement Studio in the Doudna Fine Arts Center.

nice job with the play given their limitations and I wish more people could have been there, but, overall, I was happy with it," Freek said.

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STUDENT GOVERNMENT

Candidates to debate for position of executive vice president

By Nike Ogunbodede

Student Government Editor

A debate will be taking place today at 7 p.m. in the Arcola-Tuscola room of the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union between the student executive vice president hopefuls.

There are five candidates vying for the student executive vice president po-

Christine Anderson, Bradley Saribekian, Blake Pierce, Neil Majd and Zach Samples all submitted their candidacy by Tuesday's deadline.

Anderson, a senior communication disorders and sciences major, has worked on student government for about two years and has been the director of the elections committee and the Student Senate secretary.

"I have the organizational skills that will help the (student executive vice president), which is currently in shambles, become productive again," Ander-

"I have worked closely with each executive member of the Student Senate and I learned a lot from all of them."

Zach Samples, a sophomore history major with a teacher's certification, was one of six senators to sign the legislation impeaching the former student executive vice president, Aaron Wiessing.

"As a student senator, I took an oath to uphold the bylaws and the Constitution. The former (student executive vice president) was not doing his job according to the Constitution, which is why I chose to put my signature on the impeachment papers," Samples said.

Those appointed to the student government executive positions have to uphold the Executive Rules.

Six student senators signed the impeachment resolution because they said Wiessing did not "uphold his duties as laid out in the Eastern Illinois Universitv Student Action Team Bylaws," "uphold his duties as laid out in the Eastern Illinois University Student Body Constitution," or "uphold his duties as laid out in the Eastern Illinois University Student Senate Bill 08-09-01 'Student Lobbying Act Amendments."

Wiessing resigned during the Dec. 8 student government meeting.

"I hope the student body will turn out to hear the view of the various candidates," Samples said.

Blake Pierce, a senior finance major, has been on the student government for three semesters and said he is looking forward to the upcoming debate.

"I will put the students first and support the interests of the student body even if they are not in line with my own," he said.

Jarrod Scherle, the speaker of the student senate, said these debates will be different than the ones for the student senate speaker because the candidates will be debating each other instead of having students speak on their

"It's a good way to showcase peo-

ple's strategies and how they operate especially since public speaking is so important to the position," Student Body President Michelle Murphy said.

Murphy, a senior communication studies major, said the special election was necessary to start producing from the student executive vice president office as soon a possible.

Online elections will take place on Jan. 24 to 25 and the newly elected student executive vice president will be seated Jan. 26 during the Student Senate meeting.

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Tarble Arts welcomes "Morrie" production

By Kayleigh Zyskowski

News Editor

The Charleston Community Theater will present "Tuesdays with Morrie" starting Friday.

While the theater group is not directly linked to campus, many of the individuals involved are connected to Eastern.

Gail Richard, chair of the communication disorders and sciences department, will direct the play. Tim Mason, an economics professor, and John Oertling, former chair of the theatre arts department, will fill the two roles of the play.

Mason will play Mitch Albom, a sports writer from Detroit who finds out Morrie Schwartz, his former professor and mentor, has been diagnosed with amyotrophic lateral sclerosis, better known as Lou Gehrig disease. Oertling will play Schwartz.

Oertling and Mason have acted together in two previous plays, "Twelve Angry Men" and "Over the River and Through the Woods."

While Mason and Richard have

pus with students, they find time to enjoy the theater as well.

"Time comes from my family," Mason said. "I have two children in college, which makes it easier."

The Charleston Community Theatre has been around for around 30 years. Mason said in the late 1990s the group went on a hiatus.

When they brought the group back with the production of "Art," a friend convinced Mason to audition for the first time.

"They decided to cast the three men from the economics department who auditioned because the characters were supposed to be friends," Mason said.

Mason never participated in theater during high school or college, but has since he was cast in "Art."

"Rather than sitting around watching the Bears play I do this," Mason said.

"I have a facility for remembering lines. I really enjoy it."

Richard said because of her time constraints as a department chair she is only able to do one production every two years.

"It's about scheduling my down time," Richard said.

"If you have something that offsets your professional life that's very different it makes it enjoyable."

Richard makes time to get involved with the Charleston Community Theatre when she finds a story worth telling.

"I like a script that tells a story with morals," Richard said.

"This particular one is very appropriate because it's about the influence a professor can have on a student's life."

When casting, Richard said Mason and Oertling fit well in their roles because of their connections to a college campus.

The casting was done in December during finals week.

"Before Christmas we did a couple read throughs, but we have been hard at work for about four weeks," Richard said.

Mason said it is different to be in a play with just two characters, but he does not feel any extra pressure.

"You are on stage almost the whole time," Mason said.

"In other plays you may be back stage through the entire first act. You

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just have to do your best to bring the writer's vision to life."

"Tuesdays with Morrie" is a true story that was first written as a book. While many people are familiar with it, Richard said she thinks people need to see a different side of the story.

"People who know the story know it's sad," Richard said.

"To me that's not really the story. We're all going to die; it's just a matter of when. You just have to make sure you're living life to full quality."

"This is a play with a message about what life is about and what it's not about," said Cathy Sheagren, a board member of the Charleston Community Theatre.

The theater group partnered with the Tarble Arts Center to use the atrium for performances and auditions.

'We help each other," Sheagren said. "Our patrons can go to our shows but they also take advantage of the art space and view the displays."

The advisory board for the theater group is made up of 12 members. They are responsible for all of the sets, show dates and directors involved.

"One member of the board takes

an active role in each of the productions," Sheagren said.

"The board is responsible for whatever needs to be done to pull the production together. It is an advisory board, but we have to work to get the job done."

This is the second show of the cycle for the community theatre. The fall production was "Bad Year for Tomatoes," and the spring production will be "Driving Miss Daisy."

Students are welcomed to try out for the productions.

'We are a community theater and students are certainly part of our community," Mason said.

Tuesdays with Morrie" will be presented at 7:30 p.m. on Jan. 21, 22, 27, 28 and 29 and at 2 p.m. on Jan. 23. Tickets are \$10 for adults, \$8 for seniors and \$6 for students. Students will receive discounted tickets for \$5 on Jan.27.

Ticket reservations can be made by calling 581-2787.

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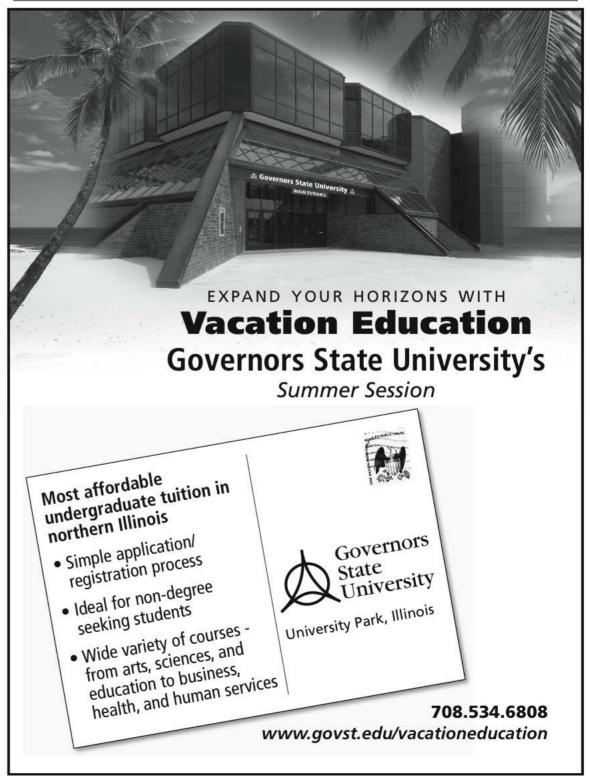
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Witness: Okla. house where 4 shot 'like a movie'

By The Associated Press

OKLAHOMA CITY — A frequent visitor to a house where a prostitute featured on the HBO reality series "Cathouse" and three others were shot to death testified Wednesday that there was so much drugs, cash and naked women around that "it was like a movie."

Karine Sanders, 21, described the scene inside the south Oklahoma City house where a drug distribution and prostitution ring was operated during the first day of a preliminary hearing for David Allen Tyner, 29. The former Marine is accused of shooting, stabbing and then burning the bodies of Brooke Phillips and Milagrous Barre-

ra, both 22, Jennifer Ermey, 25, and Mark Barrientos, 32.

Phillips had worked at the Moonlite BunnyRanch, a legal brothel near Carson City, Nev., that is featured in the HBO reality show "Cathouse." Because Phillips and Barrera were pregnant, Tyner faces a total of six counts of first-degree murder. He has pleaded not guilty.

Sanders, who said she is Tyner's cousin, said that in the weeks and months before the shooting she traveled many times to the house where Tyner worked as a bodyguard for Barrientos, the alleged leader of the drug operation.

She said she saw marijuana bricks stacked in piles inside the house,

quantities of cocaine and methamphetamine, tables covered with stacks of cash and naked women roaming around. Sanders said she frequently witnessed drug deals in which \$75,000 to \$100,000 would change hands.

"There was always girls and Casey was always having a party," Sanders said, referring to Barrientos by his nickname. "It was like a movie."

She said she used to visit the house with then-boyfriend Denny Phillips, 32, who she testified participated in drug transactions. She said Phillips and Tyner became upset with the amount of money they were receiving for their work for Barrientos and came up with a scheme to kill him.

"It was just a big stupid situation over money," Sanders said. She said Tyner at one point said they could leave no living witnesses to identify them.

Sanders, who said she broke off contact with the two men weeks before the shooting, faces no charges.

Prosecutors have no evidence that Phillips was at the scene of the shootings and he has not been charged in the victims' deaths. But District Attorney David Prater said the "investigation is not closed."

Phillips is being held in the Tulsa County Jail after being shot by Tulsa police three times in April when he allegedly pointed a gun at officers who found him at a motel.

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"We'll be interviewing these five candidates over the next three to four weeks," Hanner said.

After these final interviews, the summations and conclusions of the committee will be given to Blair Lord, the vice president for academic affairs, who will make the final decision

The chosen candidate will begin the position on July 1.

"We value the personal relationship with students, integrative learning, academic excellence, and high quality teaching," Hanner said.

Steagall, the first candidate, will interview today.

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"Beijing was cool, but my favorite part was traveling to the smaller cities," said Neal. "It was fun talking with the Chinese. At first they were afraid to speak English but after a while they warmed up to us."

Students on the trip have been able to study the uses of bamboo, kiwi and tea plants in China.

The study abroad trip to China lasts three weeks during the summer. This year the trip will last from May 18 to June 8.

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and Consumer Sciences department will take a group of students to Florence, Italy for the week. Alicia Hudson, a graduate student in the family and consumer sciences department, went on the trip during spring break 2009 while Hannah Hillaker, a senior family and consumer sciences major went during spring break 2010.

Each said they had similar experiences but each trip was adjusted according to how the previous trip went.

Hudson said the trip in 2009 included a wine tasting, a visit to a textile mill, and a cooking class.

"The cooking class was awesome because we cooked it and we got to eat it," Hudson said. "And one day an Italian fashion designer took us around to the highend designer shops in Florence." In high school, Hillaker went on a trip to Italy with her best friend and two of the teachers from Marquette High School in Ottawa.

Hillaker said she had been to Florence before, but she wanted to return to realize the culture she had only witnessed on her first visit.

"On my first visit to Italy I was able to just get at taste for Florence and the Italian culture, but on this trip I was able to go more in-depth with it," Hillaker said.

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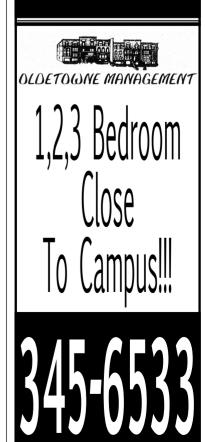






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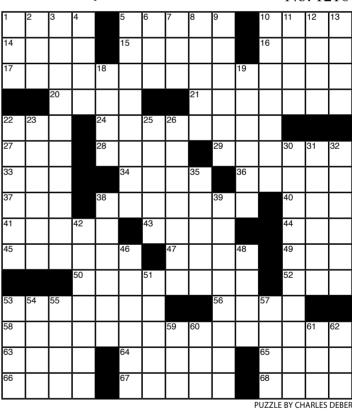
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Cubs trade Gorzelanny for prospects

By The Associated Press

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Washington also agreed to a \$2 million, one-year contract with utility player Jerry Hairston Jr., and unconditionally released pitcher J.D. Martin, who had lower-back surgery in August. Martin's move cleared space on the 40-man roster for first baseman Adam LaRoche, a free-agent whose contract recently was approved by Major League Baseball.

General manager Mike Rizzo hoped to land a top-of-the-rotation starter for the 2011 season, but that hasn't happened. The 28-year-old Gorzelanny is 36-37 with a 4.68 ERA in six major league seasons with the Cubs and Pittsburgh Pirates.

He went 7-9 with a 4.09 ERA in 23 starts and six relief appearances last year, and the Cubs dealt him after obtaining starter Matt Garza in a trade with the Tampa Bay Rays. Rizzo said Nationals scouts saw Gorzelanny consistently throw at 92 mph and reach 94 mph in 2010.

Before the trade to the Nationals became official, Gorzelanny avoided arbitration by agreeing to a \$2.1 million, one-year deal with the Cubs.

The Nationals sent outfielder Michael Burgess, right-hander A.J. Morris and left-hander Graham Hicks to

"We think there's still some upside to this guy, and we think he's going to have a big rebound year," Rizzo said. "We see him somewhere in the rotation. We're going to have a good competition there this spring training, and we're looking forward to it."

With Stephen Strasburg expected to miss most — if not all — of 2011 after reconstructive elbow surgery, the Nationals are expected to have Livo Hernandez, Jordan Zimmermann and Gorzelanny in their rotation, along with perhaps Jason Marquis, Yunesky Maya or Ross Detwiler.

Rizzo also noted that right-hander Chien-Ming Wang — who is trying to come back from shoulder surgery and hasn't pitched since July 2009 will be ready for the start of spring training. Pitchers and catchers are due to report to Viera, Fla., on Feb. 15.

"He's not in rehabilitation mode right now; he's in preparation mode to get ready for spring training," Riz-

"We think there's still some upside to this guy."

Mike Rizzo, general manager

The 34-year-old Hairston is a career .257 hitter with 59 homers and 341 RBIs across 13 seasons with six

He hit .244 with 10 homers and a career-high 50 RBIs for the San Diego Padres last season.

Rizzo said that Hairston, a member of the 2009 World Series champion New York Yankees, would be "very, very comfortable and very effective" playing any position in the field other than first base or catcher.

"He gives the manager a lot of options," Rizzo said. "He's a very versatile player. Very upbeat. High-energy guy. Good clubhouse presence. And a guy with a championship ring that knows how to win and knows how to be a good teammate."

Hairston can earn an additional \$1 million in performance bonuses.

NATION

If Bears in title, Obama will go

By The Associated Press

WASHINGTON - President Barack Obama is promising he'll be at the Super Bowl if his beloved hometown Chicago Bears make it in.

It's not clear, though, that his offthe-cuff comment represented a firm commitment — or just a lighthearted moment in a busy day.

The Bears would win a Super Bowl

slot if they beat the Green Bay Packers Sunday.

Obama was asked about his plans Wednesday by reporters being ushered out of his Oval Office meeting with the president of China.

Obama said laughingly: "Oh, if the Bears are in the Super Bowl, we're go-

The Super Bowl is Feb. 6 at the Dallas Cowboy's new stadium in Texas.

Ex-Iowa player on trial

By The Associated Press

IOWA CITY, Iowa — Jurors have gone home for the night without reaching a verdict in the sexual abuse trial of a former University of Iowa football player accused of having nonconsensual sex with a fellow student while she was passed out.

Jurors are expected to resume deliberations on Thursday. They deliberated for more than 7 hours Wednesday in the Johnson County courthouse.

Former Hawkeyes defensive back Cedric Everson faces third-degree sexual assault and other charges and could be sentenced to up to 10 years in prison if convicted.

HOME, from page 12

The Panthers can go out and do what they do best on their own turf in front of their own supporters. They will not have to deal with travel, lodging arrangements or anything else. They can go out, execute their game plan, and have a fun, success-

I think the Panthers will perform extremely well this weekend. I also think it is fitting that Panther legend John Craft will be honored at the meet as well. One of the best Panther track and field competitors of all time will get to see that Eastern track and field is still a force to be reckoned with and is still making noise not only throughout the Ohio Valley Conference, but throughout the entire nation (sprinter Zye Boey's 200-meter dash time is one of the top five in the NCAA). Perhaps this past Panther legend will get to see a few future Panther legends as well.

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Illini's Liuget to enter NFL Draft

By The Associated Press

CHAMPAIGN — Illinois defensive lineman Corey Liuget will skip his senior season and enter the NFL draft.

The university said in a news release Wednesday that the tackle has

decided to join linebacker Martez Wilson and running back Mikel Leshoure in leaving Illinois a year early.

Liuget is considered a potential first-round pick in the April draft.

In a statement, Liuget thanked his coaches, teammates and fans for their

Head coach Ron Zook said Liuget emerged as the anchor of the Illini defensive line in 2010.

Liuget was a second-team All Big Ten pick in 2010, who had 4.5 sacks and 63 tackles.

The 6-3, 300-pound Liuget is from

CHAMPS, from page 12

Murray State has been on fire as

The Panthers have struggled away from Lantz Arena this season, posting a 2-6 record in eight games. In their last 10 games the Panthers are

Miller said the team is going to go

into this game with the same approach it has had all season.

We just want to get better everyday and try win at least one game a week to keep the team going," Mill-

The overall series between Eastern and Murray has not been very competitive, with Murray holding a 33-9 lead in the 42 games played. The Racers have won six straight games dating back to Jan. 3, 2008, when the Panthers won 83-80 in overtime, but it has not been since 2002 since the Panthers won at Murray State.

The OVC conference game's tipoff is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. in Mur-

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of late, winning eight of its last 10 games, losing only to OVC leader Austin Peay 66-64 and Morehead State 75-65.

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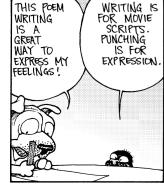






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Panthers see success in Indianapolis

Team prepares for championship in IUPUI pool

By Brad Kupiec

Staff Reporter

While most Eastern students were enjoying a day off from classes for Martin Luther King Jr. Day Monday, the Panther swimmers competed in the Indiana University-Purdue University Indianapolis Jaguar relay meet.

The Panthers were met with some success in Indianapolis, and although no scores were recorded, they had three relay wins, seven runner up finishes and five third place results throughout the meet, which consisted entirely of relay races, including many non traditional events.

The Panther first place finishes included the team of Ken Tiltges, Cody Showers, Mike Lehman and Joe Ciliak finishing the men's 4x200 free style in 1:28.10, Kelli DiCanio, Janis McGee and Sofia Pappanastos winning the 3x100 breast stroke in 3:39.23 and Hailey Foss, Megan Eshleman and Morgan Roberts finishing the 3x100 free style in 16:30.69.

The Panthers also had seven second place finishes, including Ciliak, Tiltges and Matt O'Hagan teaming up to take runner-up in the 3x100 breast stroke in 3:01.10, Showers,

By the numbers

First place relay wins at the IUPUI meet; two women's and one

Second place relay wins; five men's and two women's.

Third place relay wins; three women's and two men's.

Dan Enge and Nathan Moritz taking second in the 3x100 fly relay in 2:42.83, the 3x100 back stroke relay finished in 2:40.33 with the team of Rich Waszak, Mike Lacine and Colin McGill, as well as the 4x400 free style relay by Showers, McGill, Lehman and Ciliak in 3:16.22.

Also taking second for the men, were Waszak, O'Hagan, Moritz and Lacine in the 4x400 medley with a time of 3:40.04.

The women had a pair of second place finishes with Alyssa Lehman, DiCanio, Kate Paige and Mary Lacine finishing the 4x400 medley relay in 4:11.36 and McGee, Jada Smith, Roberts and Eshleman finishing the 4x500 free style relay in 5:05.82.

Third place finishers for the Panther men included the 4x400 medley relay in 3:43.13 by the team of Tiltges, Waszak, O'Hagan and Mike Lacine, and the 4x500 free relay in



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Freshman Mary Lacine swims toward the end of a lap during the women's 400-meter individual medley during a meet against Lincoln College on Nov. 5 in Padovan Pool. Lacine won the race.

4:24.06 by the team of McGill, Enge, Clark and Mike Lacine.

The women added a trio of third place finishes, with Foss, McGee, Tammy Bowden and Rebecca Ruffin finishing the 4x200 free relay in 1:49.92, Lehman, Eshleman, Mc-Gee and Roberts finishing the 4x400 free relay in 3:54.80 and the 4x800 free relay which was finished by Foss,

Mary Lacine, Bowen and Roberts in

Even though no team scores were kept, Panther coach Matt Bos said since the Panthers' conference championship meet will take place in the IUPUI pool, Monday's meet was primarily used to get comfortable with the surroundings.

"Swimming in IUPUI, where our

conference championships will be in a little over a month, we just kind of got used to being in that facility and starting off their blocks and making turns off their walls," Bos said.

The Panthers' conference meet will take place Feb. 16 to 19 at IUPUI.

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STATE

Martz in no hurry for new 'Greatest Show On Turf'

By The Associated Press

LAKE FOREST — Mike Martz insists he's not looking back. If he's feeling nostalgic for those "Greatest Show on Turf" days in St. Louis, he's keeping it to himself.

Besides, he tried it in Chicago. And it didn't work.

Mon, Jan 24, 2011

Now, the Bears are one win away

from the Super Bowl with a home date against Green Bay in the NFC championship game, and if they go back to their pass-happy ways, there's a good chance they won't be heading

"I've always been very pragmatic about football and how you impact a team offensively," Martz said. "You have to do what you have to do to move the football and be efficient and help score points and win. It changes everywhere."

What worked in St. Louis didn't work in Chicago earlier this season. A more balanced approach was a better fit for the Bears and helped them go on a season-saving 7-1 run after their off week, propelling them to the NFC North championship and a firstround playoff bye.

As for "The Greatest Show On

"That was a special place and time," Martz said. "I don't think we'll ever see that again. Those players were very, very special. That was then. Now is now. No, I would never try to mimic that or copy that. It's not going to happen. These are different players and they do different things and you try to go in the direction they take you, really."

The Bears hired Martz hoping he could get Jay Cutler to cut down on the interceptions after throwing a league-leading 26 last season — his first in Chicago — and provide the sort of early lift he helped give the Rams and Detroit Lions.

UNIVERSITY ADMISSION TO TEACHER EDUCATION MEETINGS - SPRING 2011

Students must attend a meeting to formally apply for University Admission to Teacher Education and to initiate the selection process. Students who have not previously applied must attend a meeting. The following meetings are available Spring 2011 Semester to initiate the selection process:

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Registration is not required

The next opportunity to initiate the selection process and apply for University Admission to Teacher Education will be during the Summer 2011 semester.

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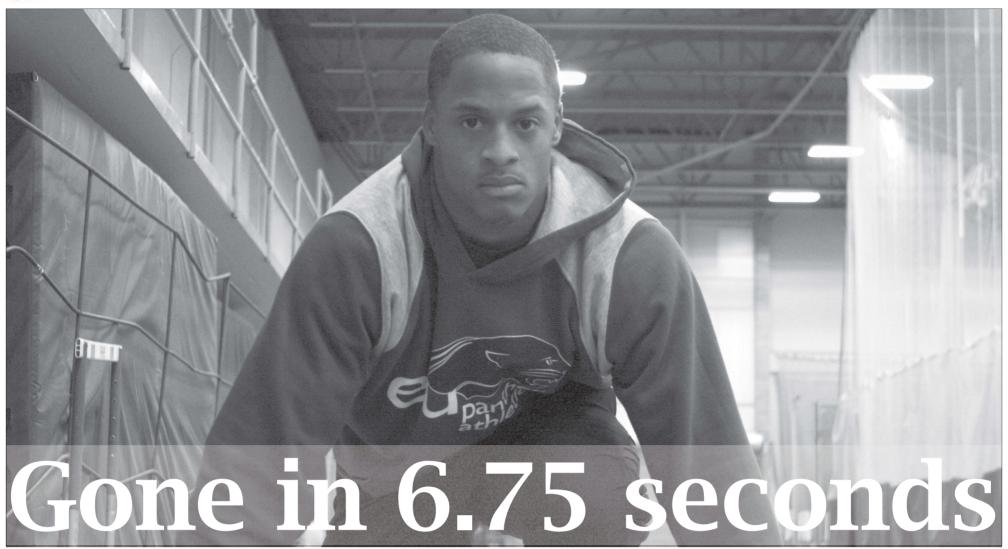
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Top Cat

with red-shirt junior sprinter Zye Boey



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Zye Boey, a junior sprinter for the track team, won the 60-meter and 200-meter dash at the Wisconsin Badger Track Classic over the weekend and earned his second straight Ohio Valley Conference Male Track Athlete of the Week Award.

Zye Boey holds one of nation's best times in 200-meter dash

By Dominic Renzetti

Assistant Sports Editor

Over the course of a long winter break, it could be easy for an athlete to slack off on his or her training regimen.

Surely everyone, student and athlete alike, has earned it after a long semester. Winter break would be the best time to sleep in late and enjoy the time at home. That is what all the other athletes are probably doing, right?

Not red-shirt junior Zye Boey. But then again, Zye Boey is not like oth"After the gun went off, I heard the guy coming up behind me, so I just put my foot down and held the guy off."

Zye Boey, red-shirt junior sprinter

er athletes.

"I just did exactly what the coaches told me to do. I followed the workout plan and executed it. I worked out all day every day," Boey said.

Sprinter Zye Boey is one of the best athletes Eastern has. At last weekend's Badger Track Classic, at the University of Wisconsin-Madison, Boey took first place in both the 60-meter and 200-meter dashes.

Boey's 60-meter time of 6.75 seconds currently stands as the best in the OVC, one spot above teammate Jacob Mitchell's 6.83.

The time Boey posted for the 200-meter dash last weekend is not only the best in the OVC, but also the third fastest time in the nation. Boey is just 0.18 seconds behind the current leader Gerald Phiri of Texas A&M. In the Ohio Valley Confer-

ence, Boey leads Eastern's Darren Patterson by 0.65 seconds.

"So far this season, I've been running good, I have a great attitude, I've been working very hard in practice, every time I go out I give it all I've got, and I just want to be there," Boey said.

Boey missed the entire 2010 indoor track season with a knee injury. Boey went on to recover and do well in the following outdoor season. He said his knee is still not yet 100 percent, but he still remains confident.

Even for someone who has been winning so consistently, Boey said he still felt nervous before the 60-meter event.

"Honestly, I was a bit nervous. My mind was pretty blank. I just had to run hard, compete, and do what I had to do, whether win or lose, just give it all I've got," Boey said.

Boey said he was even more ner-

vous during his 200-meter event.

"I was a little more nervous, just because it's a little longer race, and because over the break, even though I worked out, I still didn't know where my body was competition-wise," Boey said. "After the gun went off, I heard the guy coming up behind me, so I just put my foot down and held the guy off."

Boey said he feels confident he can produce the same results he has in the past. He says the key to success is to listen, stay humble and just to keep doing all the right things.

"I'm pretty sure it will be good for me to be doing the same things I've been doing," Boey said.

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MEN'S BASKETBALL

Defending champs await

Coming off upset, Panthers looking for one more win

By Rob Mortell

Sports Editor

Coming off of an upset against Morehead State, Eastern's men's basketball team looks to have a repeat performance against defending Ohio Valley Conference champions Murray State.

Last season Murray State shocked the nation when it upset No. 4 seed Vanderbilt in the NCAA tourna-

However, this season it lost three seniors including Danero Thomas, who hit the game-winning shot against Vanderbilt.

The Racers come into the game against the Panthers at 12-5 on the season and 5-2 in the OVC, while the Panthers are 7-10 overall and 3-4 in

The Racers have a balanced offense, as they have four players who average more than eight points a game.

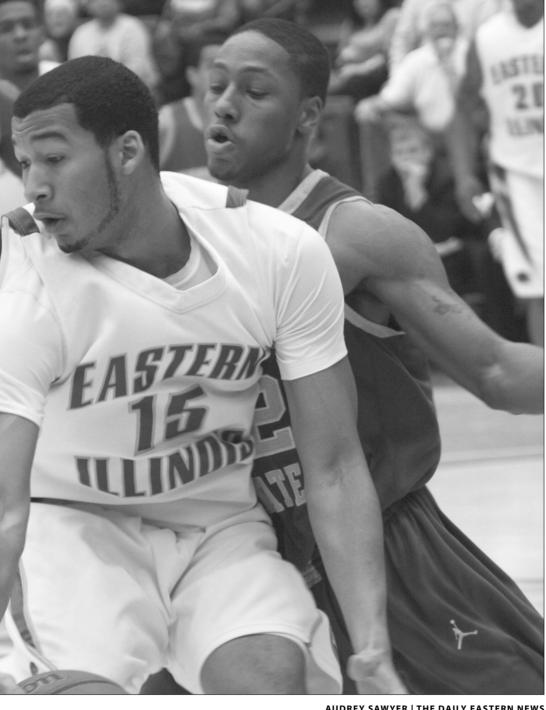
The group of scorers is led by senior guard Isiah Canaan who is averaging 11.6 points a game while shooting nearly 40 percent from the threepoint line.

The Panthers are coming off a record-setting performance against Morehead State.

The 87 total points was the lowest total in the history of Lantz Arena, and the 40 points scored by Morehead tied the all-time low for points allowed.

Eastern head coach Mike Miller said it was an unbelievable effort on the part of the team, and the Panthers look to continue that defensive pressure against Murray.

"We are going back to the basics," Miller said.



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James Hollowell, a junior forward, makes his way around Morehead State's Demonte Harper Saturday CHAMPS, page 9 evening in Lantz Arena. Hollowell had nine rebounds and three points against the Eagles.

VIEWS



Dominic Renzetti

Home field means wins

Eastern's track and field team will head back to Lantz Fieldhouse this weekend for the EIU Mega Meet.

The EIU Mega Meet will be the third meet of the season for the Panthers after having already shown impressive performances at their

I think the Panthers will continue their streak of superb performances again this weekend.

The Panthers have loads of talent in a variety of events on both the men's and women's sides, but because of the home advantage Lantz Field-

The Panthers' first meet of the season, back in December, was the EIU Early Bird, that took place at Lantz Fieldhouse.

The Panthers appeared comfortable and relaxed, and I think it had a lot to do with the team's solid performance.

Last weekend, the team took a long, six-hour bus ride spanning more than 300 miles to get from Charleston to Madison for the Badger Track Classic.

That, along with the Wisconsin snow, made things even more difficult.

The last thing any team needs while on a road trip is an unnecessary distraction.

Still, through and through, the Panthers pulled through with another impressive show-

This weekend, the Panthers are back home for the EIU Mega Meet at Lantz Fieldhouse, a place they know better than any other team that will be there.

The Panthers have also been back on campus for about two weeks, and should already be adjusted in to new classes, new dorms, and getting back in the swing of things for competition.

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WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

Racers present multiple challenges

Sallee said team needs to be more motivated in win

By Alex McNamee Staff Reporter

Murray State's Mariah Robinson is having a big season, averaging 14 points per game and five rebounds.

Eastern's women's basketball head coach Brady Sallee said Robinson has been on a tear lately, scoring 19 and 44 points in her last two games, respectively.

"Clearly she's playing with some confidence and they're running a lot of stuff for her," Sallee said.

Sallee said she is one of the players who could give Eastern some problems, but he said there are a lot of other players for the Racers that are

"They have a bunch of kids that can shoot it," Sallee said.

Sallee said Murray State looks a lot like they have in the past; however, they are just as good.

"They're maybe one (team) that's catching confidence at the right time," Sallee said.

Sophomore guard Ta'Kenya Nixon said she expects Murray State to play hard. Sophomore forward Mariah King said the Racers are going to be bringing their best game against

"It's a big game, and a hard one," Nixon said.

The Racers have two players who average double digits this season. Kayla Lowe averages 11 points per game, and Robinson averages 14.

Murray State has some players that are shooting a good percent from the field, including Robinson who is shooting 42 percent from the

Robinson is also shooting 82 percent from the free throw line.

"They always have nice shooters out there," Nixon said. The Panthers are coming off a close

loss to Morehead State Saturday. Sallee said in that game the team got away from how it usually wins

Sallee said the team is used to understanding its identity and then dar-

ing its opponent to try to beat them. Saturday, Sallee said the team

stopped doing that for some reason. 'We have to go back to who we are," Sallee said.

Saturday's loss will hopefully motivate the team to get back on the winning path, according to Sallee.

"I would think with the way things went down they are eager to get back on the winning track," Sallee said. "That's what a good team would do."

King said the team could not be bothered by Saturday's loss. Instead, she said it is time to move on.

"You have to move on and get ready for the next game," King said.

The Murray State game Thursday will be the first of a quick two-game road trip for the Panthers, before coming home for four straight games.

Tip off is set for 5:15 p.m. Thursday in Murray, Ky.

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AUDREY SAWYER | THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS Kelsey Wyss, a sophomore guard, makes her way around her opponents to take a shot during the game against Eastern Kentucky Thursday evening in Lantz Arena.

EASTERN SPORTS SCHEDULE

Women's basketball

Thursday at Murray State 5:15 p.m. - Murray, Ky.

Men's basketball Thursday at Murray State

7:30 p.m. – Murray, Ky.

Women's basketball Saturday at UT Martin

4 p.m. - Martin, Tenn.

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Men's basketball

Saturday at UT Martin 6 p.m. - Martin, Tenn. M&W Indoor track Saturday EIU Mega Meet TBA – Lantz Fieldhouse

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