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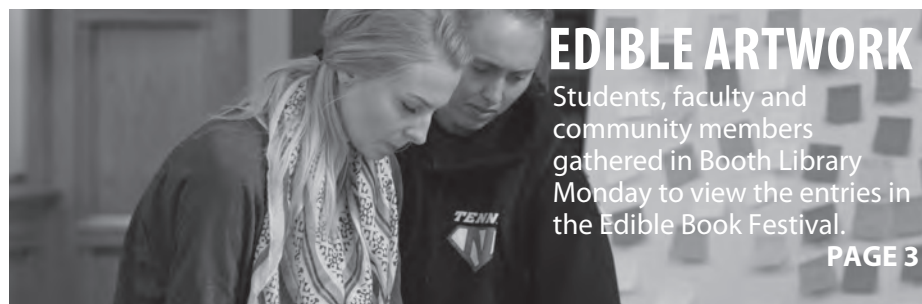
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FINAL TWO

The Eastern men's tennis team dropped its last two home matches to Jacksonville State and Tennessee Tech.

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EDIBLE ARTWORK

Students, faculty and community members gathered in Booth Library Monday to view the entries in the Edible Book Festival.

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Justice Jingmin Zhai, retired vice president of the Beijing Supreme Court, spoke on the differences and the history of the Chinese legal system on Monday in the Lumpkin Hall Auditorium.

Panel gives new name to globalization

By T'Nerra Butler
Multicultural Editor | @DEN_News

Cultural boundaries were broken as a retired vice president of the Beijing Supreme Court, Jingmin Zhai, answered questions regarding the similarities between the United States' and China's judicial system.

Zhai spoke in his native language throughout the entire panel discussion and was able to receive feedback from a translator, Jack Wang. This was Zhai's second time being at Eastern.

A series of questions were asked on the topics of the death penalty, due process laws, Internet usage and the differences between the juries in the two countries.

Zhai explained the four levels in China's legal system.

Following the description of each level came the conversation of how cases are handled.

In China, cases are given two trials, with the first being the civil service and the second with the option to appeal.

The moderator for the night, Vikram

"The event tonight was not only a chance to talk about globalization, but was an example of globalization."

Vikram Amar, panel moderator

Amar, dean of the college of law at UIUC, aided in the understanding in the similarities between Chinese and American law.

Wang translated that the two systems are structured alike in some ways.

He said China does not have a jury system; instead they have a group appointed by Congress that helps the judge decide.

Amar explained that in America, the jury's job is to eliminate governmental bias and control.

In America, Amar said, people depend on the insight of the community and that is why people are selected randomly.

One question asked by Luke Barkowski, a senior communication studies major, brought the discussion to the topic of the death penalty in China.

Wang translated that only serious crimes

are given the death penalty such as drug trafficking and murder.

In some cases, when a person commits murder, if they plead guilty, maintain a positive attitude and pay the family for the death of their loved one, the people of the system will reconsider the death penalty.

Wang translated that Zhai said the death penalty is constantly being questioned, like in the United States.

He said just like the states find reasons to argue both sides, China's judicial system has the same disagreement.

"Some people still want the death penalty and some say it's not right," Zhai said. "It's the same in China. In the future we will continue to discuss this issue."

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Woman identified in March hit-and-run

Staff Report

A woman was arrested Monday in connection with a hit-and-run reported to have occurred at 6:43 p.m. March 27 in the Charleston Wal-Mart parking lot, according to a Charleston Police Department press release.

After seeking help from the public in identifying the suspect, Shamika Austin, 21, of Charleston, was arrested on charges of a hit-and-run, driving while her license



Shamika Austin

in connection with the incident.

was suspended and operating a motor vehicle with a suspended registration

The CPD shared a video April 4 on its Facebook page in which a silver Chevrolet Malibu struck a vehicle as it was pulling into a parking spot.

The driver then left and parked in a different parking place after striking the vehicle, according to the press release.

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Eastern to begin offering nursing program

By Analicia Haynes
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Nursing students, who are seeking an associate degree at a chosen community college, now have the opportunity to enter a dual track program, giving them a head start on a baccalaureate education.

Last week, representatives from Eastern, the Danville Area Community Colleges and Illinois Eastern Community Colleges signed an agreement that will admit two-year track nursing students into Eastern's R.N. to B.S. nursing program after finishing one year at their respective community colleges.

Renee Kidd-Marshall, the director of the nursing program at Eastern, said this dual track program has been in the works for quite some time and is based on provisional admission, meaning students will have to meet certain standards before they are fully admitted.

These standards include earning at least a 2.5 GPA, passing their National Council Licensure Examination and having liability insurance.

"It just accelerates the whole process of completing a baccalaureate degree," Kidd-Marshall said.

According to a press release, in 2010 the National Institute for Medicine released a report stating that the number of baccalaureate-degree nurses in the workforce will increase to 80 percent by 2020.

The committee in charge of the report said nurses must obtain higher levels of education in order to meet the demands of a changing health-care system.

"(This program) facilitates that and it is a way to promote further education," Kidd-Marshall said. "This is an opportunity for nurses to complete the associate's degree and get their baccalaureate degree."

Kidd-Marshall said since the program is focused on the student's needs, the courses are offered online.

This makes it convenient for students who may already be in the workforce, allowing them to work while completing their degree, Kidd-Marshall said.

"Our delivery method is wonderful," Kidd-Marshall said. "We do synchronous and asynchronous so students have the opportunity to attend the class in an online classroom, but if they are unable to do so we can record that session and they can view it later."

The courses are writing-centered and there is a lot of research involved because the profession of nursing involves taking care of people, Kidd-Marshall said.


"We're an evidence-based practice, which means we take the research, we look at it and our students can critically analyze it and apply it," Kidd-Marshall said.

She said there is a mixed population of learners who will be taking the courses from novice to experienced nurses who will share ideas and enrich each other's education all while in an online format.

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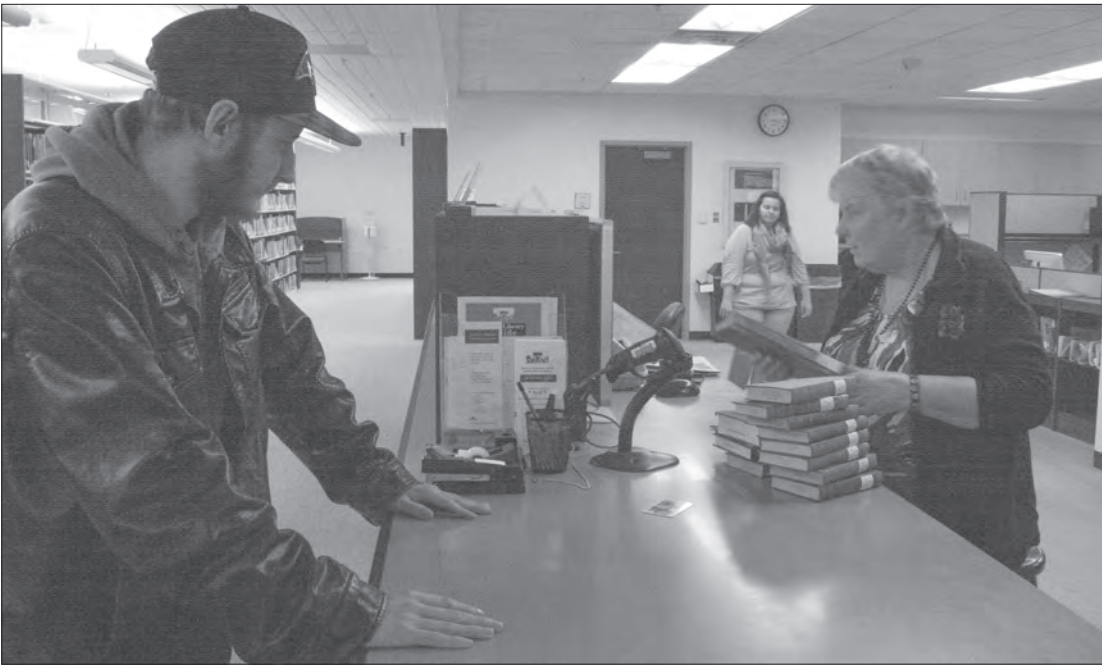


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When in Booth



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Nathan Strange, a senior history major, checks out Roman history books with the help of librarian Joann Daugherty Monday in Booth Library.

Students to shed light on studying in Asia

By T’Nerra Butler
Multicultural Editor | @DEN_News

Students wishing to gain more insight about studying abroad in Asia can do so at the Studying and Working in Asia panel at 4 p.m. Tuesday in the Charleston-Mattoon Room of the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union.

Jinhee Lee, the coordinator of Asian studies, said this panel has been in the making since January and has been in April for the past few years.

Lee said students often find the panel beneficial in their academic and career planning as they listen to the testimonies and tips from others who have studied or worked in different countries in Asia.

Lee said students need a starting point when it comes to choosing a country to go to, and the panel can aid in that.

“Once you come to the workshop you will find out how it transformed the participant’s life, impacting their ways of thinking about not only things Asian, but more importantly about themselves, their own cultures, and the world,” Lee said.

Half of the world’s population is Asian, Lee said.

She said employers look for those who have spent time in Asia, and some of the alumni who studied there overseas have come back sharing their experiences, telling how studying in the country has boosted their résumé.

“This workshop will help them to get some concrete and practical information as to what steps they need to take to discern if it is for them,” Lee said. “(Students can) get accurate information, and actually get out of their comfort zone.”

Kurt Olausen, the director of the study abroad program, is one of the

panelists.

Olausen, along with five students and an alumnus from Japan will conduct the panel.

He said they want to keep studying abroad on the radar and students can find many opportunities to study in Asia.

Students have shown a lot of interest in South Korea over the past year, Olausen said.

Two students are currently studying in the country and a few are going to Asia during the summer.

“Hopefully that means that students are starting to find the wide range of places offered in the program,” Olausen said.

With the nervousness of being in a foreign country miles away from home, the panel gives students a look into what others have gone through and how it has shaped them, Olausen said.

Students are often not aware that a lot of the courses taught in Asia are given in English.

Olausen said Asia is an important part of the world, especially to the U.S.

The alumnus, who is currently in Japan, will be able to talk to the crowd via Skype.

The different heritage months help to branch out into the different cultures, Olausen said.

He said the month shows the variety that Eastern has and that it is important to celebrate the many cultures around the world.

He said it also gives a chance to talk about the many study abroad opportunities, with panels like Studying and Working in Asia.

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University Board to host 'Panther Stock'

By Abbey Whittington
Entertainment Editor | @DEN_News

The University Board will be hosting “Panther Stock: Panic at the Union,” a series of activities throughout the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union from 6 to 10 p.m. on Thursday.

Aaliyah Stephen, the UB’s special events coordinator, said Thursday’s activities will have several venues including the Grand Ballroom, 7th Street Underground, Bridge Lounge and Alumni Lounge.

During “Panther Stock,” there will

be activities such as caricature artists, students creating their own bears and license plates, an activity that allows students to create their own music videos, video games, roller-skating, magician Sammy Cortino and a couple of comedians.

The roller-skating rink will be in the Grand Ballroom.

“I was aware a great amount of students wanted a roller rink, but also to interact with one another,” Stephen said.

Cortino gives a show that is part magic and part rock concert and has performed on international stag-

es at sea and on television opening for Ryan Seacrest and Penn & Teller, and he has been described as a mix between Jimmy Page and David Blaine according to the magician and musician’s website.

Cortino is a guitar player in a metal band as well as a magician. He learned his magic tricks from the master magician Lance Burton, who has performed in more than 15,000 magic shows in Las Vegas, Nevada.

There will also be several giveaways at “Panther Stock” including a T-shirt giveaway and a game show where participants can win money.

Attendees will be able to bring home the bears and license plates they create.

“We have ‘Panther Stock’ because this is a end of the year “Up All Nite” event where students will have one last time to interact with one another,” Stephen said. “With this event we can create a diverse environment for all students.”

The activities will be free to attend and are open to everyone.

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What’s Happening on Campus?

Writing Center Workshop: Finding Sources | 3:30 PM

Coleman Hall - Room 3110

Studying & Working in Asia | 4:00 PM - 5:30 PM

MLK Union - Charleston-Mattoon Room

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Career Services - Reservations required. Call 581-2412 for more information.

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Edible Book Festival brings entertainment to Booth

By Abbey Whittington
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Families and residents from the Charleston and Mattoon area as well as students and faculty filled Booth Library's lobby for the Edible Book Festival on Monday as they looked at the many edible artworks.

Winners of each category included a book with the theme "Where the Wild Things Are," for student entries, "How to Drain Your Flagon," a spin from the book "How to Train Your Dragon," for the funniest pun category, "Time & Again," for the family entry, "Go Dog, Go" for the children's book entry, "The Patchwork Quilt," for people's choice and "Horton Hears a Who" for the dean's choice.

Heather Wohltman, winner of the funniest pun category and a former Booth Library employee who was laid off, had her mother, Alisa Wohltman, chief clerk in Alumni Services, and her grandmother, Connie Schaljl, to support her during the festival.

Heather Wohltman's, "How to Drain Your Flagon," had a dragon in a large body of water drinking mini vodka bottles.

Todd Bruns, who was in his sixth year of running the Edible Book Festival, said he had a hard time choosing his favorite edible artwork.

"This year I am impressed by the student entries," Bruns said. "I really liked 'Mr. McGregor's Garden.'"

Each edible artwork was a creative depiction of a play on the book's title or

cover or a scene from the book. Usually, there are gift cards given to the winners of the book festival, however, with the recent cutbacks and no budget from the state, the library gave winners certificates for each category.

Amanda Becker, a junior family and consumer sciences major, created an edible artwork for her class based on the book, "Up," with frosting, fruit and graham crackers.

Becker said she chose the book because it is also a movie, and she thought a lot of kids would know what her artwork was.

Two other students who entered their edible artworks came up with their ideas from books they read with their children.

Jacquelyn Monroe, a senior dietetics major, made her edible artwork based off of the book, "If You Give a Mouse a Cookie," and said it was a book she regularly reads with her children.

Tracy Dennis, a non-traditional family and consumer sciences major and mother of three, created "Princess and the Pizza," and said her two daughters enjoyed the story.

Linda Goodman, a resident of Mattoon, made an extremely detailed cake depicting the Holy Bible. The Bible was white with gold lettering and a zipper with a rose placed on it. She won an overall honorable mention for her artwork.

"I am a home baker, and I make cakes for really good friends and family. My idea was to make a zippered book, and the cake looks like a bible that



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Erin Sutherland alongside Alex Curtis, both senior family and consumer sciences majors, vote for their favorite edible book on Monday in Booth Library for the Edible Book Festival.

my folks gave me when I was a child," Goodman said. "My bible was white, and it was trimmed in gold and it had a zipper. It was the first present my parents wrote in and gave to me and it has always been my family bible."

Goodman baked the cake several

weeks before the book festival and spent four days on the details of the Bible and the rose with fondant.

Goodman said Monday was the anniversary of her husband's death, and she hoped the book festival would take her mind away from her loss.

Everyone who made an entry in the festival were very supportive of the other contestants while also being satisfied with their own artworks.

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Office of Energy, Sustainability temporarily closes

By Cassie Buchman
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As a result of the budget impasse and recent layoffs, the Office of Energy and Sustainability has been temporarily closed.

After the campus energy and sustainability coordinator was one of the 177 positions eliminated in March, it was reported on the University Newsletter that the office would close March 12.

The Office of Energy and Sustainability fulfilled many roles on campus.

It was in charge of the campus recycling program, utility billing, operated the Office Supply Store, coordinated the Zipcar service, identified energy efficiency improvements, handled the solid waste contracts, and oversaw energy procurement strategies for campus.

The Office also oversaw the measure-

ment and verification activities associated with Eastern's \$80 million performance contract. This contract included the construction of the Renewable Energy Center, which officially opened in 2011 and replaced the coal-burning plant the university had been using since 1928.

Ryan Siegel, an administrative assistant in facilities planning and management, said the Renewable Energy Center is continuing to operate as it did while the Office of Energy and Sustainability was open.

However, the responsibilities of other, different areas are being divided between several people from the department of facilities planning and management, and some have not been assigned at all.

Travis Magee, the custodial supervisor for building service workers, is now in charge of the campus recycling program and directs a Campus Recycling Crew of

student workers.

He also handles solid waste contracts and operates the Office Supply Store.

Magee said he helps if people have problems with recycling or the dumpsters at any of the buildings on campus.

For instance, if a dumpster needs emptying, they will call Advanced Disposal.

Those that are in charge of collecting the recycling take it to CCAR Industries.

With his new recycling responsibilities as well as doing the duties of his current job, Magee said he is just doing the best that he can like everyone else on campus, though there is more for him to do.

"I'm not complaining by any means," Magee said. "With more work, everybody has to do their part and get things done."

He said to do this, his hours are adjusted on some days, and he comes in earlier in the morning depending on

what he has to do.

Because the campus is pretty big, it creates a lot of recycling, which keeps the recycling guys busy, Magee said.

Siegel said he hopes the closing of the Office of Energy and Sustainability will have a minimal impact on the campus in the short term, but the impacts could become more substantial as time progresses if the duties that are not yet assigned are not assigned in the long term.

These impacts could be particularly substantial for the setting of utility rates and the identification of energy efficiency improvements.

As of now, identification of energy efficiency improvements, the task of applying for energy efficiency rebates, mandated state reporting on solid waste recycling efforts, input property transfers into the State Central Management Services system and rate setting for the utility auxil-

iary enterprise and the job of coordinating Zipcars and the adviser for the student sustainability registered student organization Earthwise is not yet assigned.

Chris Childress, accounting associate of the department of facilities planning and management, is now in charge of the operation of the Utility Auxiliary Enterprise, including utility billing. Josh Awalt, an IT Technical Associate, is in charge of the destruction of records and other confidential materials. Tim Zimmer, director of facilities planning and management, now oversees energy procurement strategies for campus.

"As the university is hopeful the layoffs will be short term, I am hopeful the Office will reopen and resume these duties," Siegel said.

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Jihad Abbed

Trump is the reason

GOP candidate Donald Trump faced his own share of adversity this week as Ted Cruz was given the victory of a canceled Colorado primary.

I, like many people, who would not care about the results of the Republican primaries see that this is definitely a sign of something bad for both sides.

To be honest, I am scared for the voting process and the right for American citizens to vote.

I do not feel bad at all for Donald Trump. He can tweet all he wants about how unfair this decision is and continue to passive-aggressively refer to Colorado as “the great state of,” but I have no remorse for Trump.

My wall between sympathy and Trump gets 10 feet higher every day. This Republican primary process may be unfair to the voters and mostly unfair to his delegate count, but what he does every day is unfair.

Trump makes headlines every day whether it is on broadcast news or print news. He, along with the media, has turned the presidential race into a game show.

We find ourselves talking less about the strategies these candidates would use to improve our country and protect it, and talking more about the strategies they use to make each other look stupid every day.

I am not saying the GOP was not headed in this direction anyway, but Trump is the reason it has reached this point this quickly.

Trump is the reason we are voting against ideas instead of for ideas.

Trump is the reason we have a growing divide between African-American people and Caucasian people in 2016.

Trump is the reason we have people who actually believe every person who has trouble speaking English is here illegally in the U.S.

Trump is the reason we have a resurrection of post-9/11 fear spreading into our communities.

Trump is the reason there are people who cannot see past my name even though I am a blue-eyed and fair-skinned Caucasian male.

Trump is the reason his followers think they are fighting for something that is right.

He is a rich man who was born a rich man, and people seem to think he represents the American dream.

He has followers who think his “success” is a direct result of his hard work and determination, not the hundreds of millions of dollars he was born into.

Now these same followers think the ideas he is campaigning on are essential to the pursuit of happiness, and therefore success.

Trump is the reason people become violent in the face of his campaign and he knows it. His campaign has created a unified population of people who want to get rid of other populations of people.

That is not adversity, that is terrorism.

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Getting Through the Next Few Weeks Like...



ABBEY WHITTINGTON | THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

Staff Editorial

Don't blame the messenger for news

Without fail, *The Daily Eastern News* writes these words every year – we are not the university’s public relations machine.

News, whether it be good or bad, is news. If something happens around the campus or community, we report on it.

We’re not going to sugarcoat it to make it more appealing.

We’re not going to tailor our news coverage to make a group of readers happy.

If a crime happens on campus or in Charleston, we’ll report the information as it’s given to us.

And if it’s not given to us in a timely fashion, we’ll most certainly fight for it and disseminate it to you, the reader.

Whether an athletics team falls into a double-digit slump or knocks off a top-seeded opponent, we’ll be there and you’ll read about it through us.

If an athlete or other prominent figure of the Eastern or Charleston community were to be arrested, we’ll be there too, with the facts.

Just as we’ll be there if someone does something positive.

We’re not giving the university a bad reputation, someone else already did.

If there’s a crime in the community, the Charleston Police Department more than likely will issue a press release that’s freely available to anyone who wants to see it.

Why don’t you blame them, too?

Making the school look good isn’t our job.

No newspaper’s job is making any person or place look good.

If it is, then the graduating seniors at *The News* want no part of it, and we’ll find jobs elsewhere.

Because that would be doing an incredible disservice to the community and a waste of the countless hours of learning poured into us.

We are students of course, and we love and are proud to be EIU. But we are not beholden to Eastern in the stories we report.

Yes, “Eastern” may be in our name, but

it’s the community that countless students have reported on for the last 100 years.

The topics that we’ve reported on this school year, the lack of a state budget to layoffs, are indicative of the times we’re living in.

Just as not too long ago, a big continuing story was a 12-2 football team and now-Patriots quarterback Jimmy Garoppolo.

We can’t control what happens in our coverage area. We can’t control what happens to the campus community.

Eastern and the rest of the state is going through a rough 10 months; instead of directing hate towards us, do something more productive and channel your grumblings towards the source of the problem, whatever it may be.

Tell the truth and don’t be afraid – because we don’t make the news, we report it.

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

The answer is that only the strong survive

Every child has someone to look up to. For most kids, heroes come with cape, tights and real superpowers.

My hero experience was different. My hero didn’t have super strength, super speed or a secret cave, or any of those things, but he wore a costume with the No. 3 on the front of it.

He wore his hair in braids and covered himself in tattoos. At 6-foot-1, he dominated a game played by giants and gave his all every second on the court.

Despite many hardships he may have faced off the court, he always went out on the floor and gave it all he had.

As a child, watching him perform heroic acts was a level of excitement I hope everyone can grow to experience.

But, it wasn’t until much after his retirement from the game and that electric feeling went away that I realized what Allen Iverson really meant to me, and how I continue to navigate through my own life using Iverson as an example of staying true to oneself in the face of adversity.

Whether that adversity is physically manifested or purely mentally and emotionally driven, one must push through it to get to a better place or situation.

Iverson’s basketball career was almost completely derailed before it ever had a chance to



Josh Saxton

take off.

While in high school, he was allegedly involved in a bowling alley brawl that left several people injured, and he was found guilty of the crime despite a lack of hard evidence.

Despite spending time in jail, he was able to go on and play basketball at Georgetown and have a successful NBA career.

Today, Iverson is revered as a sensational scorer and fierce competitor, and despite his hardships and shortcomings in the league, he managed to rise above it all and become the NBA’s Most Valuable Player in 2001.

I look at Iverson’s career with all the bumps that it took to get where he is today.

The NBA implemented a dress code (which is still in place) because they felt Iverson’s image, wasn’t professional or friendly, and quite frankly promoted a style of music and a culture that some don’t agree with or necessarily understood.

However, he stayed true to himself, and if that meant he wasn’t in a suit on the sideline then so be it.

He showed up to every game in his own skin unapologetically.

He sat on the sidelines with the same confidence he took into every contest.

I believe students could benefit from Iverson’s story because it closely reflects our own as students, most of which are trying to find our way.

Whether it’s making sense of our purpose on campus or just trying to remain whole and maintain ourselves during the rat race.

Iverson was facing up to 15 years in prison for a crime he did not commit.

He had to hit the absolute bottom, and in the end, he rose from the ashes like a phoenix. Allen Iverson taught me: Don’t apologize for being yourself, no matter what they throw at you. You can conquer it and only the strong survive, so be strong and fight for everything you want.

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One member of the audience asked Zhai what position he could take after retiring as a Supreme Court Justice.

Wang translated that Zhai said unlike in America, Chinese Supreme Court Justices do not have a lifetime in that career.

In China, six people are appointed as national Supreme Court Justices, Wang said.

Judges are selected by the National People's Congress.

Amar said the main goal of the night was to give people a chance to learn about the Chinese legal system, including the similarities and differences from there and the United States.

"I'm not an expert on China so I learned a lot today," Amar said. "One of the big differences is the use of jury here in the United States and the distrust of gov-

ernment that the jury reflects. We want people to have a say here, and that's why we have juries."

Amar said it is always helpful to connect the students on campus to the outside world.

He said globalization was one of the themes for the night.

"The event tonight was not only a chance to talk about globalization, but was an example of globalization," Amar said.

Barkowski said globalization is real and it is important to understand the different cultures around the world.

He said Zhai speaking in his native language, to an audience who for the most part were just fluent in English, shows how integrated the world is.

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Musical Monday



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James Calderon, a second year grad student of composition, gives violin lessons to Samantha Dominis, a junior biological sciences major, Monday in the Doudna Fine Arts Center.

Justice compares U.S., China, enjoys stay

By Analicia Haynes
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Smiles and laughter engulfed the hall outside of the Lumpkin Hall Auditorium Monday night as Jing-min Zhai, the former vice president of the Beijing Supreme Court, made a lasting impression with audience members after his forum on the Rule of Law in America.

Conversing with students, faculty and staff, Zhai expressed his satisfaction about his stay in Illinois and highlighted key points discussed in his forum such as the comparison between American Rule of Law and the Chinese judicial establishment.

Serving nearly 30 years on the Chinese Supreme Court, which is the highest of three level courts in China, Zhai welcomed the interest

from participants with open arms. According to a press release, the last time Zhai was in Illinois was in 2004, when he visited the University of Illinois of Urbana-Champaign's College of Law.

Zhai, who spent the last week in Illinois, spoke through a translator and said he had a very good stay and enjoyed his time in Charleston.

Zhai said the best part of his stay was the warm welcome he received from his American friends, as well as the beautiful impression he had about Eastern and the University of Illinois including the students, faculty and staff who attend the universities.

"Like tonight, all the people that came because they're willing to understand Chinese people and Chinese law, this encouraged me to do a

better job," Zhai said. Currently, Zhai is the president of the Beijing Legal Association for Multi-aspect Mediation and said one purpose of his trip was to learn about the Alternate Dispute Resolution.

Zhai said the ADR is one source to helping people solve legal problems by resorting to mediation instead of instantly going to court.

Despite the language barrier, Zhai happily waved, shook hands and talked with participants, smiling the entire time.

Participants also circled the former Justice, introducing themselves and giving him a warm welcome.

Zhai also went into detail as he described the differences and similarities between the American court system and the Chinese court system after his forum.

"Right now China follows something similar to the continental law system and the United States follows common law or the British law system," Zhai said. "Therefore we have some differences such as the jury system. We don't have a jury during the first trial."

Zhai said there are several points that harbor similarities between the two nations, including a Court of Appeals, where both countries do not have a jury.

"In a civil case, we all want an equal and fair (trial) and (to) protect both the parties," Zhai said. "In a criminal case we have a strict policy to punish the bad guy."

Zhai said the punishment for an individual who was involved in a criminal case is based on the crime they commit, much like the United

States. "Even if you did the crime you are still a human being, and at a certain point even the bad guy has their own rights," Zhai said. "At this point we are similar to the United States. Even if they did something bad they are still a human being."

Zhai said it does not matter when bringing two nations together which nation an individual lives in when it comes to the law because sometimes the law is not perfect.

"That's why we have so many regulations and (we) amend them to improve them and therefore not one law is a perfect law," Zhai said. "We are always trying to improve the law."

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Kidd-Marshall said there are as many benefits in an online course as there are in a classroom setting, if not more.

She said the students will have discussion questions and they generate questions among themselves, along with those driven by the faculty.

"It's just an exchange of information and viewpoints," Kidd-Marshall said.

She said because of the flexibility of the program, students will likely stay in it, however if they needed they could jump out and jump back in at any time.

As for the misconceptions about

nursing, Kidd-Marshall said the profession is a blend of soft sciences and hard sciences as well as a dash of humanities.

"It's much more than just learning a set of technical skills," Kidd-Marshall said. "A nurse is an advocate for the client."

Kidd-Marshall said the nursing

courses are centered on evidence-based practices and community health, leadership and management, healthcare policy and politics.

"They have the basic skills but we expand upon those concepts," Kidd-Marshall said.

The program is expected to kick off

this fall, but Kidd-Marshall is already meeting with students this week who are interested in the program.

"I'm excited," Kidd-Marshall said. "I just hope that we can expand."

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- ACROSS**

1 Unable to escape

8 Double helix parts

15 Cuckoo, from the Yiddish

16 Hard work

17 Something to check if the lights go out

18 Tree whose berries flavor gin

19 Memorable hurricane of 2011

20 Disneyland locale, briefly

21 Rebellious Turner

22 Lay out plates, silverware, napkins, etc.

28 Princess in "Frozen"

30 ___ shark

31 Cabbage for miso soup?

32 Where Samsung is headquartered

34 Cut out (for)
- DOWN**

1 "Nothing's broken!"

2 ___ network (term in anatomy and artificial intelligence)

3 Building, inventory, cash on hand, etc.

4 Now's partner

5 Unsophisticated sorts

6 Previously

7 ___ Romana

8 Virgin Island that's 60% national park

9 Armistice

10 Stampeded toward

11 Walled Spanish city

12 40 winks

13 Game cube

14 Camera inits.

20 No-win chess outcome

23 Marry a cutie on the q.t., maybe

24 Get the show on the road

25 Tiny memory unit

26 Wolfish look

27 Crusty bread slice

29 Sparkling wine region

33 Word found in "time on end," appropriately
- 37** "Anatomy of a Murder" director

40 The Taj Mahal, for one

41 Mrs. Eisenhower

42 One of the five W's

43 Poetic measure

44 Step on a ladder

48 Quick-cooking cut of meat

53 An eagle beats it

54 Fracking material

55 Major artery

57 Placate

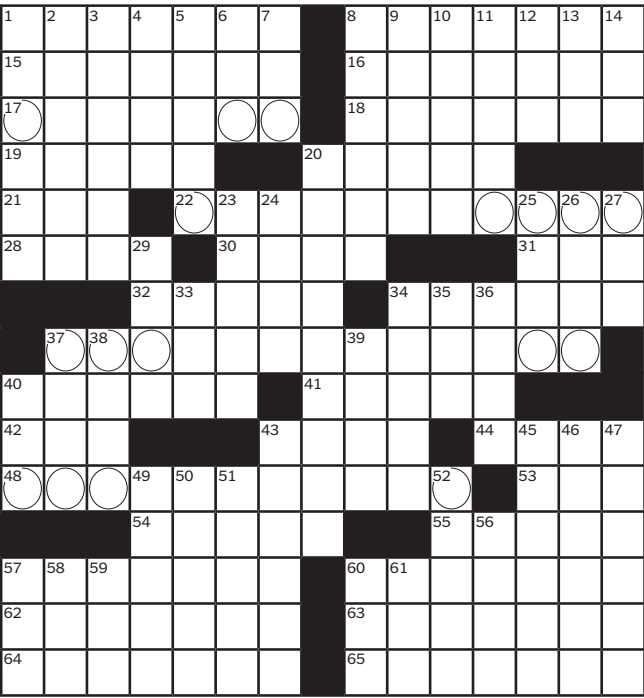
60 Wrap "worn" by 17-, 22-, 37- and 48-Across?

62 Cafeteria worker's wear

63 Opening on the side of a vest

64 Toads and kangaroos

65 Sci-fi weapon



- PUZZLE BY DAVID STEINBERG
- 34** "The Lion King" lion

35 Prefix with brow

36 Disney bigwig Bob

37 "Fancy seeing you here!"

38 Video game film

39 Broadway auntie

40 Certain bachelor, in personal ads

43 Archipelago parts
- 45** Pull from the ground

46 Christmas, in Italy

47 Gadget for Parmesan

49 Seize unlawfully

50 ___ of Fife (Macduff's title)

51 Like a beaver

52 Destiny
- 56** Adolph in New York Times history

57 "That feels amazing!"

58 ___ Tomé and Príncipe

59 Drink hot chocolate, maybe

60 Like the Beatles, in 1960s lingo

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OVC softball outlook: Panthers in 8th place

By Sean Hastings
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Jacksonville State has dominated Ohio Valley Conference play midway through the conference portion of each team's schedule.

The Gamecocks remained perfect in OVC play after a weekend sweep of Southeast Missouri and Tennessee-Martin to make their record 14-0.

The Gamecocks have everything going for them right now.

They have a stacked lineup with eight players batting over .300, including four over .350.

Ella Denes has been Jacksonville State's best hitter posting a .398 batting average in 128 at bats.

She also leads the team with those 128 at bats.

Emily Church has been the Gamecock's biggest run producer having driven in 33 runs on 32 hits. She is also hitting .327.

Whitney Gillespie has been a dominant force in the circle for the Gamecocks holding an 8-1 record with a 1.46 ERA.

Her ERA is good enough to lead the OVC over Hayley Flynn of Eastern Kentucky who has an ERA of 1.78.

Gillespie also has the least amount of losses in the OVC and has held opposing batters to a .181 average.

Eastern Kentucky was right there with them heading into this past weekend until they met with 4-6 Eastern.

The Panthers stole two wins from who was the top team in the conference heading into the weekend.

The Panthers went 12 innings

with the Colonels and won the first game of a doubleheader, 1-0.

Eastern's bats came alive in the second game of the day putting up seven runs on a tough Eastern Kentucky team.

The Colonels had yet to give up more than four runs to any other OVC team.

Eastern Kentucky got back to its winning ways the next day with an 8-1 win over Southern Illinois-Edwardsville.

Sophomore pitcher Jessica Wireman was arguably the biggest reason why Eastern won the 12-inning showdown with the Colonels.

Wireman fanned 22 batters in her 12 innings of work, a career day for the sophomore.

Her performance earned her a third OVC Pitcher of the Week honor of the season.

Wireman leads the OVC in innings pitched with 139.

Also pitching in that 12-inning game for Eastern Kentucky was Hayley Flynn.

Flynn had 23 strikeouts in that game, which propelled her to leading every pitcher in the OVC in strikeouts with 165. Wireman is third with 131.

Flynn also leads the OVC in wins with 18.

Besides Jacksonville State and Eastern Kentucky easily holding the first and second spots in the OVC standings, the rest of the teams are in a tight race to earn one of the eight spots to send them to the OVC tournament.

Tennessee-Martin, Murray State and Belmont all have 7-7 records.

Eastern has only played 12 games because of Sunday's double-



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Senior Katie Watson bats during game 1 of the Panthers' doubleheader against Eastern Kentucky Saturday at Williams Field. The Panthers won game 1, 1-0, in 12 innings.

header with Morehead State was rained out.

Morehead State is in third with a 7-5 record, and Southern Illinois-Edwardsville is right behind them in fourth at 7-6.

Austin Peay and Tennessee State have really struggled halfway through with 2-12 records.

Both teams sit at the bottom of the standings.

Morehead State is the home of Robyn Leighton, who has the highest batting average in the OVC at .421.

She also leads the OVC in slugging percentage and on base percentage.

Tennessee-Martin's Katie Warlick leads the OVC in runs batted in with 37.

She also leads the OVC with homeruns with nine.

Senior first baseman Kylie Bennett leads the Panthers offense with six.

Denes has also shown some speed out of the box as she leads the OVC in doubles with 13.

But Courtney Gearlds' three triples have her leading that category.

Behind the plate, Eastern sophomore Ashlynn Paul has thrown out 13 runners trying to steal, which is good enough to share the conference lead with Jocelynn Rodgers of Murray State.

Paul threw out three key runners in the 12-inning game with Eastern Kentucky Saturday.

The season is starting to wind

down as most teams have around 12 games remaining and with the race being so tight, every game from here on out is more important than ever.

Southeast Missouri, Tennessee Tech, Tennessee State and Austin Peay are on the outside looking in.

If the season ended today, none of them would have a spot in the tournament.

For the first time in the tournament's 23-year history, it will be held at a neutral site rather than on the top team's campus.

The tournament will be held in Oxford, Ala. May 11-14.

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Baseball team to travel to Carbondale

By Maher Kawash
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The Eastern baseball team is riding a four-game losing streak and coming off yet another series loss as it begins another road trip.

The Panthers travel to Carbondale Tuesday to take on Southern Illinois in a single-game matchup that provides an opportunity for a much-needed win.

Eastern is fresh off a three-game sweep at the hands of Tennessee Tech and head into this game at 5-26 on the season.

While the Panthers have lost eight of their last 10 games, the Salukis are 5-5 in their last 10.

Southern Illinois is 19-13-1 this season and is currently on a two-game losing streak.

The Salukis have only been able to score five or more runs three times in their last 10 games.

Attempting to take advantage of that will be the Panthers' senior pitcher Jake Johansmeier.

Johansmeier is getting the start in the single-game matchup, and will try to improve on his last start.

In last week's matchup against Illinois, Johansmeier pitched four innings while allowing four runs on eight hits in the 9-7 loss.

This time around, Johansmeier will try to lower his 6.18 ERA, and improve on his 2-3 record this season.

Johansmeier also has a chance to pad his career stats and continue to move up in the Eastern record books.

Heading into this start he is fifth all-time in Panthers' history for career games started at 38, and also in career innings pitch with 223.



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Senior catcher Jason Scholl hits a home run during game 2 of the Panthers' doubleheader against Tennessee Tech Saturday at Coaches Stadium. The Panthers lost to the Golden Eagles, 6-8. Eastern will take on Southern Illinois-Carbondale Tuesday.

Attempting to back Johansmeier up on the mound will be Eastern's offense.

The Panthers have fallen just short in recent games as they struggle to produce runs.

But some guys in the lineup are beginning to hit their stride.

Freshman Dane Toppel is coming off a productive weekend series as he finished the doubleheader going a combined 4-for-8 while adding two RBIs.

Senior Frankie Perrone was also an important part of the offense this past weekend, and his first home run of the season was a big

part of that.

Perrone batted .300 in the series against Tennessee Tech and held an on-base percentage of .417.

Sophomore Joseph Duncan has also been exactly what the Panthers need out of their leadoff spot in the lineup.

Duncan hit .500 against the Golden Eagles as he went 6-for-12 from the plate while driving in one run and scoring three of his own.

He also managed to hold a .571 on base percentage in the series, and is tied for fifth in the Ohio Valley Conference with 12 stolen bases this season.

As the team is just 5-26 to start this season, those three will need to continue their hot streaks against the Salukis.

The path does not get easier for Eastern following the game against Southern Illinois, as the team will face the top dog in the OVC, Southeast Missouri, in a three-game series this weekend.

First pitch against the Salukis is at 5 p.m., and game one against the Redhawks begins Friday.

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Men's tennis team drops 2 OVC matches

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The men's tennis team lost the last two home matches of the season to Jacksonville State and Tennessee Tech.

In the first match against Jacksonville State, the Panthers (3-14) lost 4-3.

That is the fifth time the Panthers have lost 4-3 in conference play. The Panthers' record in Ohio Valley Conference play went to 1-5 while the Gamecocks (8-12) improved their OVC record to 4-2.

Coach Sam Kercheval said the matches have been so close because the teams are all tough.

"There are no easy matches in the conference, and we have done a good job competing with everyone," Kercheval said. "Tough to take the losses but the fight has been good from the guys."

The Panthers only took one of the doubles matches.

Seniors Robert Skolik and Rui Silva defeated Andres Gomez and Liu Shao Chun, 6-1.

Sophomore Grant Reiman and freshman Ognjen Jevtic had a close match but could not come away with the victory, losing to Mathias Chaim and Pedro Wagner, 7-5.

Senior Ryan Henderson and sophomore Trent Reiman lost 6-0 to Jaryd Reese and Austin McCormick.

The Panthers had a strong showing, splitting the singles



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Freshman Ognjen Jevtic returns the ball during his singles match against Belmont's Bruno Russo Friday, April 1, at the Darling Courts. Jevtic lost 6-3, 6-2, and Eastern fell to Belmont, 4-3.

matches with the Gamecocks.

Leading the way for the Panthers were the seniors.

Skolik won his seventh-straight singles match, beating Reese 6-1, 6-4 at the No. 2 spot.

"Rob is performing well because he is a senior who has confidence," Kercheval said. "That makes a deadly combination because he knows he can beat anyone."

Henderson, at the No. 1 spot, defeated Wagner 6-1, 6-4.

Silva won 7-5, 6-2 over Vincio Hadlich.

Grant Reiman could not come away with a victory, losing to Chaim 6-0, 6-4.

Trent Reiman had a very close first set but fell to Sao Chun 7-6,

6-0. Jevtic lost 7-5, 6-1 to Gomez.

The second match for the Panthers came against the Tennessee Tech Golden Eagles (11-6) but the Panthers fell, 6-1.

The Golden Eagles are undefeated at 7-0 in OVC play.

The Panthers started off strong winning the crucial doubles point but could not come away with a singles victory.

The duo of Silva and Skolik defeated Eduardo Mena and Alberto Esteban, 6-4.

Trent and Henderson won 6-2 over Alvaro Cintas and Marcos Bernardes.

Jevtic and Grant lost their match 6-0 to Jorge Alfonso and Guille Nicolas.

"Winning the doubles point

was exciting since we haven't done that too much," Kercheval said. "But TTU is the best team in the conference, and they showed us that in singles."

Skolik started at the No. 1 spot and was defeated 6-4, 7-5 by Mena.

Skolik was undefeated in conference play and so was Mena.

"We figured it was down to these two guys for OVC Player of the Year, and Rob deserved his shot to take it," Kercheval said. "He came up short but played well against a player who has had a phenomenal year."

Henderson was defeated by Esteban 6-2, 6-2, and Grant Reiman took his match to three sets but fell to Nicolas 3-6, 6-1, 6-0.

Silva lost to Bernardes 6-2, 6-3. Trent Reiman lost 6-2, 6-3 to Alfonso. Jevtic lost 6-3, 6-1 to Carlos Tajés.

Both matches were played away from home, even though these were considered home matches.

The match against Jacksonville State was in Champaign, and the Tennessee Tech match was in Danville.

The Panthers have only played one match at home in the Darling Courts this year.

"It certainly doesn't help that we only got to play once at home this year," Kercheval said.

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Panthers finish in top half at invite

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The women's golf team tied for 7th out of 14 teams at the Indiana State Spring invite, making it their first top half finish this year.

The Spring invite was a two-round tournament, taking place on Sunday and Monday.

However, weather conditions struck again, canceling Monday's round in Terre Haute, Ind.

Unlike two weekends ago at the IPFW invitational when snow was the issue, rain was this past weekend's impeding factor.

"The bunkers had water in them," junior Chloe Wong said. "There were puddles throughout the course on all fairways, roughs, and greens."

The five golfers who competed in the tournament finished with an overall 318 score, tying with Chicago State.

The Panthers' 318 round score was the lowest they have been all season.

Wong led the pack by golfing a 76, beating her previous low round score of 78. This was Wong's second-consecutive finish placing in the top 10.

Over the past three tournaments, Wong's score has been decreasing.

"I changed the mentality that I have on the golf course," Wong said. "I am starting to feel more confident in my ability to contend at tournaments and shoot low scores."

Junior Alexandra Pickens shot a 79, tying for 22nd and matching her previous low round score from the IPFW invitational.

"It feels great to shoot two 79s in a row," Pickens said. "I could've gone a little lower, but for the temperature at the beginning and windy conditions towards the end of the round, I'll take it."

Pickens has been working a lot on her short game, which she says has been her biggest factor for improvement.

"We've been working a lot on short game," Pickens said. "Personally, I've been really focusing on my putting which has helped my game tremendously."

Sophomore Hannah Magda also had her lowest round score of 80, tying her for 31st. Sophomore Anne Bahr tied for 51st with an 83, and junior Madison Burgett rounded out the top five shooting an 86 and finishing 67th.

Out of the three tournaments this year involving 14 or more teams, they have improved their overall rankings progressively with last weekend being their best at 7th place.

They finished last in the Dayton Fall invitational on October 10 and 11, and then 13th out of 15 at the Southern Illinois Saluki invite.

This previous weekend at the Indiana State Invite, the Panthers beat another OVC school in Southern Illinois in Edwardsville.

Pickens has high hopes for the team to perform well at the conference championship.

"I think if we just take one shot at a time and really focus on minimizing big mistakes, we can place well at conference," Pickens said.

Next weekend, the Panthers will travel to Hampton Cove in Huntsville, Ala. to compete in the OVC Championship on April 18 through the 20.

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