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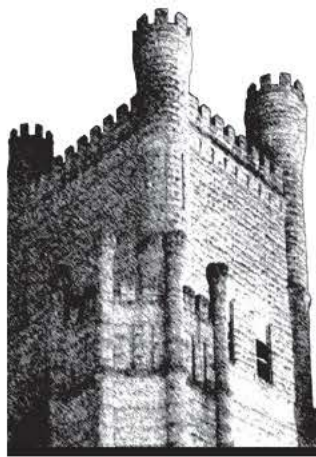
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"Tell the truth and don't be afraid."

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Trustees hike housing and dining fees

By KAYLA CROW
ADMINISTRATION EDITOR

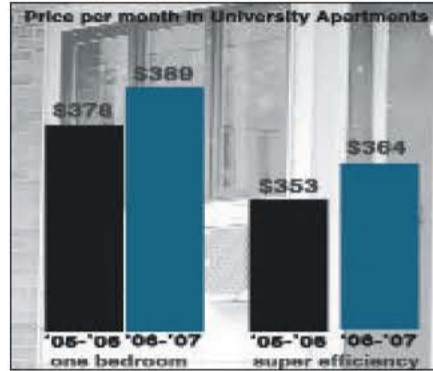
Students living in some on-campus housing establishments during the 2006-2007 school year will see an increase in their room and board rates.

Friday, Eastern's Board of Trustees approved the increase for students living in residence halls, Greek Court and University Apartments. Students living in University Court will not see an increase.

With the smallest meal plan, room and board will go from \$2,749 to \$2,955, and with the largest meal plan room and board will go from \$3,098 to \$3,330, an increase of 7.5 percent from this year.

Students with the smallest meal plan, seven meals in the dining hall per week plus \$200 dining dollars, will see a \$206 increase, while students the largest meal plan, 15 meals per week and \$140 in dining dollars, will have a \$232 increase.

University Apartment residents will see an approximate 3 percent increase, or an additional



\$11 to \$12 dollars per month. Rent for a one-bedroom apartment will go from \$378 a month this year to \$389 a month next year, and a super efficiency will go from \$353 a month to \$364 a month.

Rates for University Court will not be affected by the increase, and will continue to range from \$2,210 to \$2,824 per semester.

Eastern President Lou Hencken said there are

four reasons for the increase.

The first reason is the increase in utility costs.

Hencken said utility rates could go up by 25 to 30 percent, which will affect both on- and off-campus students.

"The increase is something everyone is going to pay," he said.

Sprinkler systems that will be installed in the residence halls are another factor attributing to the increase, Hencken said.

State law now mandates that universities install sprinklers in all residence halls over the next few years. Hencken said the university will be installing sprinklers in the north tower of Carman Hall this summer and Andrews Hall next summer.

The increase will also help fund campus improvements in order to encourage students to want to live on campus, Hencken said.

"I'm beginning to wear out, and the residence

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Fresh foyer renamed after donors

By KAYLA CROW
ADMINISTRATION EDITOR

The central foyer of the Livingston C. Lord Administration Building, commonly known as Old Main, will soon be known as Cougill Foyer, after Max and Mary Cougill, who donated \$500,000 to improve the building and helped Eastern reach its \$10 million fund raising goal.

On Friday, Eastern's Board of Trustees voted to name to the foyer after the Charleston residents and former Eastern students. The Cougills donated the money to fund improvements including adding more light, painting and fixing the woodwork on the first floor of the university's oldest building.

The couple's donation helped the university reach its goal five months early. The goal was to have \$10 million in donations within three years.

Eastern President Lou Hencken said Jill Nilsen, vice president of External Relations, and her staff did a great job getting donations from alumni, contributing to a 3 percent increase in alumni donations.

He also attributed the increase to everyone associated with the university, including faculty and students.

"We couldn't get this money if people didn't feel good about Eastern Illinois University," he said.

Hencken said he plans to continue raising money, and hopes to raise another \$1 million before the three-year time frame is over.

The university is currently looking to hire a consultant to help work on a capital campaign to help the university get money from the state, he said.

The board approved a three-year contract with the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees, Local 981 Service Unit, which represents approximately 175 Eastern employees, including building and food service workers.

The contract is for three years and includes an annual 3 percent raise for each worker in the union, Hencken said.

The board also approved four recipients of honorary degrees from the university. This year's recipients are Patrick Coburn from Springfield, William Edward Phipps from Malibu, Calif., Jeffrey G. Scott from Richmond Hills, Ga., and Charles Jacob Younger from Findlay, Ohio.

Coburn is the publisher of the

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Theatrics against violence

By CRYSTAL REED
STAFF REPORTER

V-Day, stands for victory, valentine and vagina. The one-night performance of "The Vagina Monologues," this week is how Sexual Assault Counseling Information Services celebrates V-day.

The V-Day event will consist of a silent art auction, a cocktail reception, bands and the production.

The art auction will feature paintings, ceramics, jewelry and other items created by local artists.

This production of "The Vagina Monologues" is slightly different than the professional productions that take place all over the country.

"Our production is separate from that," said Kathy Davis, a SACIS counselor.

"The Vagina Monologues" is a play of poignant and funny interviews with women about how they feel about their bodies, she said.

The participants in the production are all students and members of the Charleston community.

"V-Day is a global movement to stop violence against women and girls," according to the V-Day Web site, www.vday.org.

V-Day was founded by artistic director Eve Ensler, author of "The Vagina Monologues."

This is the first time in two years the SACIS has participated in V-Day.

Bands playing for the event include Motherlode and Come Hither.

Motherlode has been playing together for nearly 17 years, and one

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ALL JAZZED UP



ERIC HILTNER/THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

Trumpeter Wayne Bergeron plays as the featured performer with the EIU Jazz Ensemble Friday evening in the Grand Ballroom of the MLK Student Union during the JazzFest.

Famous trumpeter leads Jazz Fest

By MATT POLI
ACTIVITIES EDITOR

Eastern's 47th annual Jazz Fest kicked off with world-renowned trumpeter Wayne Bergeron, who performed with the EIU Jazz Ensemble Friday night.

Bergeron, who has worked on television and movie soundtracks such as "Team America," "Pirates of the Caribbean" and "The Day After Tomorrow," took the stage to perform "Whisper Not," a Benny Golson tune arranged by Mike Abene.

As the night progressed, he and the ensemble performed a number of songs, including compositions by big band arranger Tom Kubis.

The audience clapped and cheered after every solo, especially when Bergeron and the ensemble played "A Friend Like Me" a Bill Liston song, which was featured in the Disney classic "Aladdin."

"I really love doing this, getting out and playing music," Bergeron said between songs. "There's too much emphasis on making a career out of this."

Bergeron has a long repertoire, which includes side projects with famous artists such as Tito Puente, Green Day and Ray Charles.

Before Bergeron was brought on stage, Sam Fagaly, director of the performance, told the audience that the trumpet section was extra inspired by renowned trumpet player's presence.

"We heard Wayne at the Elmhurst Jazz Festival, and we were all totally knocked out," Fagaly said before introducing Bergeron to the stage.

Mary Yarbrough, professor of theatre arts omnibus, requires her students to attend events such as the Jazz Fest.

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JOHN BOLIN
SENIOR
ENGLISH MAJOR

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NORA MABERRY
ENGLISH
GRADUATE STUDENT

"I think people need to realize that these are editorial cartoons."

Our secretary of State is discussing cartoons. No, not snoopy or foxtrot. Editorial cartoons first published in September. I can't get over it. They are still talking about. People are still mad.

WTF?

Bush unaware mikes left on

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

CAMBRIDGE, Md.—The eavesdropping tables were turned on President Bush on Friday. The president apparently believed he was speaking privately when he talked about listening in without a warrant on domestic communications with suspected al-Qaida terrorists overseas. But reporters were the ones doing the listening in this time.

The incident happened at a House Republican retreat. After six minutes of public remarks by the president, reporters were ushered out. "I support the free press, let's just get them out of the room," Bush said, intending to speak behind closed doors with fellow Republicans and take lawmakers' questions.

When reporters left, Bush spoke about the National Security Agency program that he authorized four years ago and which has drawn criti-

"I support the free press, let's just get them out of the room."

PRESIDENT GEORGE W. BUSH

cism from Democrats and Republicans alike.

However, the microphones stayed on for a few minutes. That allowed journalists back at the White House to eavesdrop on Bush's defense of the eavesdropping. His private statements were basically no different from what he's said in public.

"I want to share some thoughts with you before I answer your questions," Bush began. "First of all, I expect this conversation we're about to have to stay in the room. I know that's impossible in Washington."

He was right.

COLLEGE & UNIVERSITY NEWS

Students opt for Jr. colleges

BY MICK SWAKO
THE DAILY VIDETTE (ILLINOIS STATE U.)

NORMAL—After high school, the common sentiment dictates moving away from home for four years to attend a university. But a growing population of students is realizing this is not for them.

"I don't think it was a waste of time," Illinois Central College student Ryan Stevens said, referring to her three semesters at Illinois State University, "but I think a junior college is better for me."

Stevens is among the expanding group of students that attend a four-year institution and transfer to a two-year or community college.

According to a *New York Times* article, 32 percent of community college students have attended a four-year institution at some point.

"There is a stigma about junior colleges," Stevens said.

"(They are like) high school all over again and I thought I was cool when I got into a four-year school."

She said she felt the general education requirements before she began learning her elementary education interests were not worth the time and money.

She also said the smaller class size of junior colleges is a benefit.

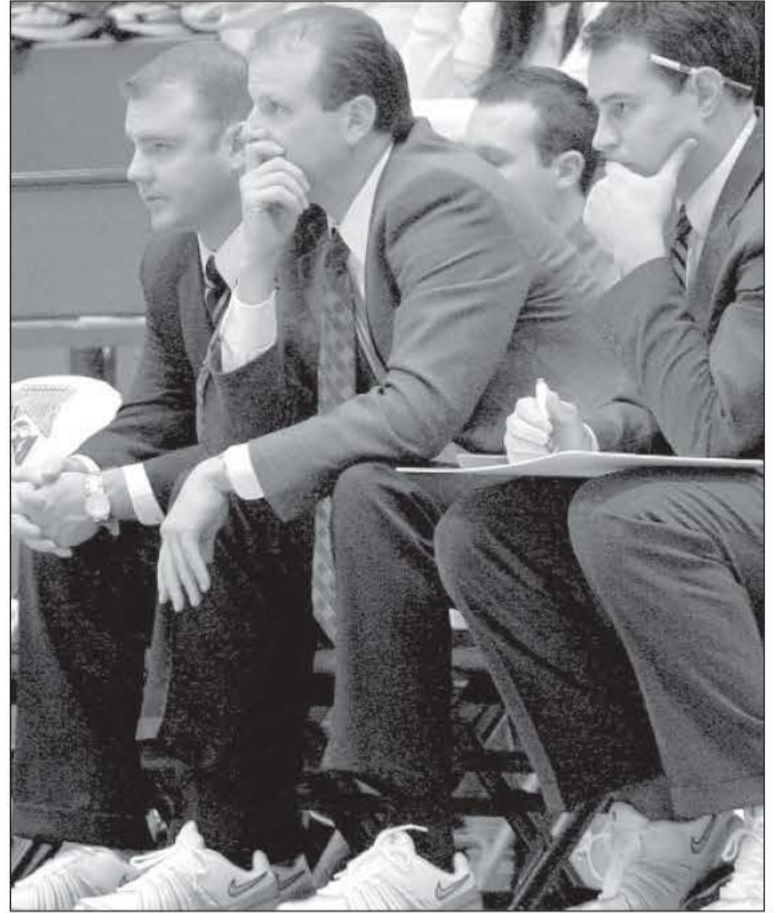
She is now pursuing an associate's degree in early childhood education.

"ISU kind of brags about a small town feeling but it isn't," junior psychology major Nicole Parisi said.

Parisi attended Joliet Junior College before she came to ISU, and said she wishes she were still there.

"As far as the school goes, people were a lot more personal," she said. "The professors were so different, so down to earth."

KICKS FOR CANCER



CARRIE HOLLIS/THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

Asst. coach Mike Lewis, head coach Mike Miller and asst. coach Chad Altadonna all wore gym shoes during Saturday's basketball game as part of the "Coaches vs. Cancer National Awareness Weekend." This campaign began in 1993 to help increase cancer awareness efforts while raising money.

CHANGES PLANNED FOR ALL SECTIONS OF GRE

BY GINA CADAVID
THE DAILY VIDETTE (ILLINOIS STATE U.)

NORMAL—Students looking to pursue post-graduate studies will see changes made to the verbal, quantitative and analytical reasoning sections of the Graduate Record Examination starting in October. "There are changes to the GRE exam in all three sections. The sections are still going to measure verbal, quantitative and analytical reasoning skills, but they will be revised and focusing more on skills that are necessary for success in graduate school," Dawn Piacentino, associate director of

GRE client relations, said.

In addition to changes in three major sections, the test will move from an adaptive test to a linear test.

"In an adaptive test, the questions presented to each examinee vary according to his or her performance. In a linear test, all examinees testing at the same time will receive the same questions," Piacentino said.

With graduation approaching, some Illinois State University students may be unaware of the preparations needed for the exam.

Students interested in taking the exam are recommended to contact their graduate school to find out the requirements of the exam.



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Sigma Nu completes 100 hours of community service

By JESSICA CANTARELLI
CAMPUS EDITOR

Fifty men from Sigma Nu fraternity cleaned up two miles of Fourth Street Saturday afternoon, plugging in 100 total hours of community service.

Sigma Nu has been participating in Adopt-a-Highway as a community service effort twice a year for the past five years. Once a semester, the fraternity spends two hours cleaning up garbage on either side of Fourth Street. This year, they collected nearly 20 bags of garbage.

"It was fine; we just got everyone together to go out there with bags and cleaned up both sides of a two-mile road," said Paul Lucas, a junior career and technical education major and president of Sigma Nu.

Jim Williams, a junior marketing major and community service chairman for Sigma Nu, said roadside cleanup is a good way for the fraternity to get community service hours in.

"We need a total of 400 hours every year, so this way we can get 100 hours in each semester," Williams said.

Mark Winslow, a junior physical education major and fundraising chairman of Sigma Nu,

said the highway cleanup gives the group a sense of brotherhood while helping out around the city.

"It's actually kinda fun with the random stuff we find," he said. "And we're out there walking around with our brothers doing something for the community."

This was the first year of doing highway cleanup for Zack Hausner, a freshman special education and elementary education mathematics major.

"At first I was like, 'I don't think this is going to be fun at all,' but just being there with all the guys in the house, it was probably one of the funniest times we've had in a long time," Hausner said.

Hausner said he would recommend this type of community service because it's a fun way to give back to the community, and his favorite part was seeing people wave to him as they drove by.

"Well, I think it's (community service) something a lot of (Registered Student Organizations) should be doing, whether roadside cleanup or anything else," Lucas said. "It teaches you values and morals and gives you something to put back in the community."



ERIC HILTNER/THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

Members of the Sigma Nu fraternity perform community service by picking up trash alongside a stretch of Lincoln Avenue Saturday afternoon.

Survey shows Charleston's city staff lacks diversity as of last June

By ROB SIEBERT
STAFF REPORTER

Data from surveys taken in June of 2005 specified that the city of Charleston does not have a minority on its staff.

According to the United States Census Bureau's 2000 report, out of 21,039 people, the city of Charleston is 92.5 percent white and 4.2 percent black.

Charleston City Employment Data indicates that as of June 30, 2005, all 172 city employees, including the police, fire, and water departments, among others, are white.

Mayor John Inyart estimated that the hiring statistics are still fairly accurate, as the city has only hired six to eight new employees since June 2005.

The hiring statistics are not a

reflection of his opinion, nor that of his fellow officials, he said.

"I acknowledge that the numbers paint a bleak picture about minority employees on our payroll, but that certainly isn't reflective of our staff's opinions about minorities and certainly isn't representative of our hiring practices or procedures," he said.

Charleston would like to hire minorities, he said.

The police and fire departments hire based on a testing process outside the city, which makes it impossible for the city to know when it receives an application from a minority. The departments have no idea how many applications they receive from minorities, Inyart said.

"The simple fact is that, aside from EIU, Charleston, like many other small communities, offers very little to a minority or their family looking

to relocate here," Inyart said.

The small number of black employees in Charleston correlates with the low population of black people living here.

Inyart said one reason this is true might be because Charleston lacks some cultural amenities minorities have in larger cities.

Stacy Kersh, a sophomore elementary education major, said many black students have to go back home to acquire certain hair products, and said that a store catering to black students might cater to the minority population more effectively.

"I would like to see more African Americans here, but it doesn't bother me," Kersh said. "It's just that more people who choose to live here are Caucasian."

Brett McGee, a junior computer information systems major, said

Charleston should do more to involve black people in the community.

"It just shows that Charleston has a long way to go in terms of racial equality," he said.

Although it is impossible to know how many Eastern students factor into the census, students who live off campus do factor into it, Inyart said.

Eastern has a more diverse campus environment, with 10.53 percent of Eastern students having a minority background.

With students living in residence halls together, different races are bound to entwine.

"I live in Thomas, and there's a good amount of African Americans and whites there," said McGee. "We all get along pretty well."

Toni Adams, a senior sociology major, specifically praised the cam-

Local demographics

- ◆ Charleston population: 20,204
92.5 percent white
4.2 percent black
- ◆ Mattoon population: 18,291
96.6 percent white
1.42 percent black
- ◆ Coles County population: 53,196
95.4 percent white
2.3 percent black

pus' programs for first generation African-American students.

Joseph Haygood, a senior psychology major, expressed a desire to see more African-American teachers at Eastern, in order to provide students with some different ethnical perspectives.

"EIU has done an excellent job with recruiting, having much more to offer, and as a result has a well rounded work force which compliments its student body," Inyart said.

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COLLEGIATE RESPONSE TO THE MUHAMMAD CARTOON CONFLICT

◆ A collection of editorials from college newspapers across the country examining the conflict over cartoons based on the Muslim prophet Muhammad.

Spilled blood and spilled ink

(U-WIRE) MINNEAPOLIS - The man, who is ranked No. 1 in Michael Hart's "100 Most Influential People," is perhaps the most misunderstood figure in the world. Muhammad was a man known for his success on both religious and secular fronts, his tolerance and diplomacy. This is why it's particularly ironic that instead of dealing with the caricature incident in a more diplomatic manner, some Muslims find it necessary to take the path of violence, making the situation an example of legitimate dissent gone mad. The caricature exceeded what can arguably be defined as acceptable. Freedom of press exists within the boundaries of respect, and in this case, not perpetuating stereotypes.

Sensitive issues are often dealt with delicately or avoided if they fail to contribute to debate. In the same manner, a caricature that tastelessly delves into a very taboo and hypersensitive aspect of Islam, a religion that includes 1.3 billion of the global audience, is out of place.

Minnesota Daily (U. Minnesota)
2/10/2006

OUR PROMISE TO YOU

(U-WIRE) RALEIGH, N.C. - The Prophet Muhammad has a bomb on the top of his head.

Oh, wait, now he's in a police-style line-up.

It's so funny to see Muhammad turning suicide bombers away from the Gates of Paradise.

Ha Ha Ha (Sarcastic laugh, possibly slow hand claps as well.)

Last week, European newspapers reprinted editorial cartoons portraying the Prophet Muhammad in "silly" situations in the name of pushing the boundaries of censorship; however, they did not take into account, or perhaps they did, that creating drawings of the Prophet Muhammad is one of the most insulting forms of blasphemy against the Islamic religion.

We have been asked why we have not reprinted the cartoons and have even been dared to do so. We do not see a point in reprinting these offensive cartoons and are against the idea behind their creation and original publications.

Technician (N.C. State)
2/10/2006

RESPONSIBLE JOURNALISM ABSENT IN OVERSEAS CARTOON CONTROVERSY

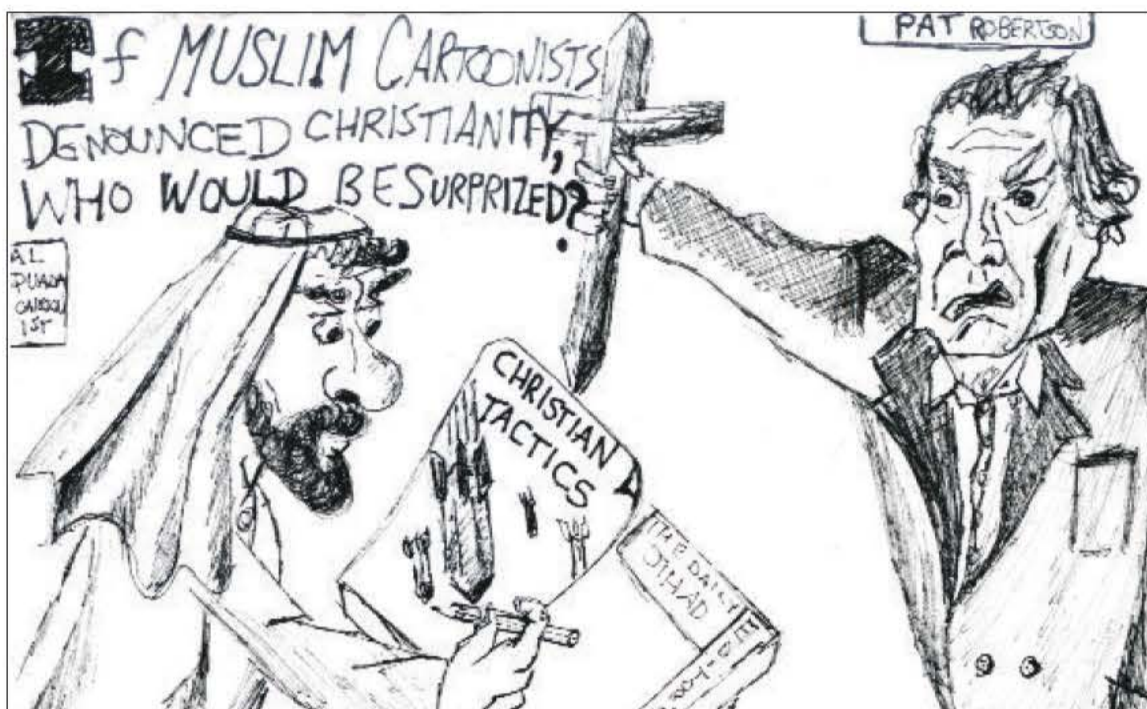
(U-WIRE) LAS VEGAS - Recently violence has erupted overseas because of the printing and subsequent reprinting of cartoons that depict the Islamic prophet Muhammad. The cartoons, which were originally printed in a Danish newspaper, violate the codes held sacred to journalists, most notably the Society of Professional Journalists.

While the resulting violence is counterproductive and upsetting, the actions of the editors who chose to print (and reprint) the cartoons are also disturbing.

The media should be free to print, report and show what they wish. However, with that freedom comes a responsibility and an ethical understanding. The SPJ code of ethics clearly states, "Show good taste. Avoid pandering to lurid curiosity." The cartoons were not in good taste. In a news story release by the Associated Press, it was found that the editor of the Danish newspaper was looking for a way to intentionally incense anger in the Muslim community. The SPJ also advises, "Avoid stereotyping by race, gender, age, religion, ethnicity, geography, sexual orientation, disability, physical appearance or social status." The idea that Muslims are terrorists or suicide bombers is a gross stereotype brought forth by exaggeration and misunderstanding.

The Rebel Yell (UNLV)
2/10/2006

EDITORIAL CARTOON BY RICH LAKEBERG



EDITORIAL

A free press hears all sides

Over the course of last week the nightmares of many in the journalism business came true, as the right to a free press caused death, rioting and chaotic actions throughout Europe and the Middle East.

The conflict regarding comedic representations of the prophet Muhammad in cartoon form were ran in newspapers across various European countries last week after they were originally printed in Denmark. The images and the way they were ran caused a violent reaction from many Muslim communities.

The problem with this reaction may not lie so much with the press, but more so with the governments and ambassadors who were contacted by Muslim leaders about this situation.

The right to a free press is a staple of many Democratic governments, and it is the right of those people to print controversial items in the free market place of ideas. But when conflict arises those who are offended deserve a proper response.

When many Muslims tried to contact the governments of the countries that ran these images to express their point of view, which is only fair in a free market, they were met with denials and, in some instances, ignored.

This is behavior that is unacceptable.

The simple printing of offensive images has long been a tradition for many cartoonists who poke fun at religion, politics

At issue

The use of Islamic prophet Muhammad in cartoons printed in a Danish newspaper.

Our stance

The newspaper had a right to run the cartoons, but they were offensive and out of line. The governments of countries that ran the cartoons should not have ignored Muslim protesters, but the Muslims should not have reacted the way they did.

and many other subjects on a consistent basis.

But to those who are offended, their point of view should be heard and allowed to be presented as well. In this case, the Muslim point of view met a barrier.

The press has a right to print whatever images they choose with only a certain number of restriction concerning ethical treatment of others.

One item that is usually protected is satire, and in this case that is what applies to the images produced of Muhammad.

Is this an extremely touchy subject that easily offended many followers of the Muslim religion? Yes, but the free press has a right to print those images.

Were the cartoons done in poor taste and was the reproduction of those images also something that could have been done better? Yes, but that does not mean they should not have run at all.

Many people can learn many different things because this situation occurred. We hope the cartoonists learned just how touchy this subject is and that they should, in the future, do a better job of proving their point. And hopefully, the Muslim communities that reacted with violence learned that there our better ways to make their point heard.

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

YOUR TURN: LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

COLUMNISTS NEEDED

The staff at *The Daily Eastern News* wants to know what students think about current events, campus issues, college living and anything else students would like to address.

Editorial cartoons run everyday, while guest columns run once a week on Wednesday. Anyone is welcome to write a column or draw a cartoon, but it is at the editor's discretion when to run the column or the cartoon.

Have an opinion? We want to hear it! *The Daily Eastern News* is looking for students interested in voicing opinions on campus, state, national and international issues through columns. *The DEN* reserves the Wednesday guest column spot for students, faculty and members of the community. Guest columns should be a minimum of 550 words.

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The DEN is interested in recruiting cartoonists that display artistic ability, particularly caricatures and tasteful humor as well as address campus issues. A grasp of the news and current events is necessary for cartoonists to be effective.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR: The Daily Eastern News accepts letters to the editor addressing local, state, national and international issues. They should be less than 250 words and include the authors' name, telephone number and address. Students should indicate their year in school and major. Faculty, administration and staff should indicate their position and department. Letters whose authors cannot be verified will not be printed. We reserve the right to edit letters for length. Letters can be sent to *The Daily Eastern News* at 1811 Buzzard Hall, Charleston IL 61920; faxed to 217-581-2923; or e-mailed to DENeic@gmail.com

AB approves additional allocation for Unity Week

Student government brings comedians, speakers for event

BY LAUREN MOORE
STUDENT GOVERNMENT EDITOR

The Student Government Diversity Affairs Committee may allocate an additional \$6,000 from the Apportionment Board for funding the committee's annual Unity Week if the Student Senate approves the allocation this week.

Committee chair Tori Frazier said the committee members Keila Lacy, Austen Williams, Jesse Wu and Tyson Holder have been working all semester to make it a successful event.

"The first thing we had to figure out was how long it would be," Frazier said. "Last year it was only three days."

"This year, we're doing a five-day Unity Week, and we tried to

research events that would be fun and educational, all having to do with unifying the campus."

The Student Government has \$11,000 budgeted for the event before the additional \$6,000 from the Apportionment Board. Frazier said last year's Unity Week only had \$2,600 to sponsor three days of events, and she went to Apportionment Board for additional allocations for that reason.

"We're giving away \$1,200 in prizes at the events, and it will cost us \$2,500 for the comedians," Frazier said. "That is why we needed the additional money."

Steve Birdine, a motivational speaker, will also cost \$3,000 to bring to campus, Frazier said.

Unity Week, which will be held March 20-25, will also include the

cultural fashion show, a Fear Factor-like game called "What would you do to be unified" and a Recognized Student Organizations social.

Frazier said the main goal of the week is to get students on campus to learn more about others.

"I'm wanting people to come out to events and get involved," Frazier said. "I want to make it the most successful (Unity Week) because in the

past it hasn't been that extraordinary." Frazier said it has been hard in the past because there have been no incentives for people to attend.

Frazier said she wants 1,000 people to attend throughout the week, but she is always hoping for more. She said it will be a worthwhile event because students can get prizes and may get a lot out of the speaker that week.

"He will discuss diversity tied in

with motivation, as well as leadership development," said Lacy, who served as Diversity Committee chair the past three semesters.

Frazier will incorporate the Big Red Dot campaign in the events, which she said will hopefully market the Student Government to Eastern students.

"I'm wanting it to show the students that we're here to work for them," Frazier said.

Events for Unity Week

- ◆ March 20: "Oh, I think they like me." Cultural Fashion Show 7 p.m. Martin Luther King Jr. University Union Grand Ballroom
- ◆ March 21: "Creating the unstoppable you" Motivational Speaker Steve Birdine 7 p.m. Lumpkin Auditorium
- ◆ March 22: Student Senate meeting, "with a twist" 7 p.m. Arcola Tuscola Room of the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union
- ◆ March 23: "What would you do to be unified?" 7 p.m. Martin Luther King Jr. University Union Grand Ballroom
- ◆ March 24: "Let us serve you" RSO social 5 to 7 p.m. 7th Street Underground
- ◆ March 25: Comedians Dave Odd, Smoke and Vanessa Fraction to perform 7 p.m. 7th Street Underground

Four inmates remain at large after escaping Cook County Jail

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

CHICAGO — A midnight breakout from the Cook County Jail sparked a manhunt for six dangerous fugitives Sunday and raised questions about a shortage of guards at the 10,000-inmate jail.

Armed with only a homemade knife and some hot water, the inmates overpowered guards and escaped from a special unit for the most incorrigible inmates.

Two of the men were apprehended roughly six hours later in a nearby suburb. Authorities said one of the four men who remained at large Sunday is facing murder charges.

The escape was the second jailbreak since Friday and third since June. No inmates had escaped from the jail in the previous 10 years.

Four arrested for their involvement in a fatal methamphetamine lab explosion

ODON, Ind. — Four people including two from Illinois have been arrested in connection with a methamphetamine lab explosion that killed a woman.

Davies County prosecutors charged Robert Dempsey, 56, of Elnora, Jeremy Kellams, 26, of Washington, Richard Atchison, 40, and Maggie Howell, 47, both of Centralia,

with conspiracy to manufacture meth.

The deceased woman has not been identified. Her body was severely burned in the explosion, Thursday in Odon, about 40 miles southwest of Bloomington.

Investigators believe the people arrested Friday were at the home cooking met before the explosion, Davies County Chief Deputy Sheriff Steven Cox said.

Woman sentenced to a 2 1/2-year prison term for neglecting her newborn infant

MILWAUKEE — An Illinois woman convicted of child neglect resulting in the death of her newborn baby girl was sentenced Friday to 2 1/2 years in prison.

Angela Hamilton, 26, of Waukegan, also will spend 6 1/2 years under extended supervision after the prison time under the sentence handed down in court. A jury convicted Hamilton in December.

Authorities said when Hamilton gave birth at her mother's home in Cudahy, Wis. in November 2003, the infant went into a toilet. She said was in shock at delivering the baby several days early, and she only touched the child, rather than holding it under the water as a detective testified she told him.



CAMPUS BRIEFS

Dialogue delivers Darwin

"Darwin and the Politics of Science in the 21st Century" is the topic of Jon Miller's speech to celebrate "Darwin Day."

Miller is the director of biomedical communication at Northwestern University and will speak at 4:30 p.m. today in the Roberson Auditorium, 2030 Lumpkin Hall.

Quit smoking, win an iPod

Students can register to win a free iPod by attending "Lighten Up!" a seminar designed to offer advice for quitting smoking and managing stress.

The Health Education Resource Center is sponsoring the lecture, which is free of charge.

The seminar is at 7 p.m. today in Room 1030 of Lumpkin Hall.

MONDAY

REGISTRATION

8 a.m.

Summer and Fall 2006 class registration. Students assigned to an academic adviser at the Academic Advising Center must come in person to schedule an advising appointment for summer and fall classes.

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NATIONAL STORY

RECORD-SETTING SNOW BURIES NORTHEAST

Major New York airports closed, more than 500 flights delayed

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

NEW YORK — A record-breaking storm buried sections of the Northeast under more than 2 feet of snow on Sunday, marooning thousands of air travelers and making even a walk to the corner store treacherous.

The National Weather Service said 26.9 inches of snow had fallen in Central Park, the most for a single storm since record-keeping started in 1869. The old record was 26.4 inches in December 1947.

Wind gusting as high as 60 mph blew the snow sideways and raised a risk of coastal flooding in New England.

"We might not see anything like this again in our lifetime," Jason Rosenfarb said as he walked with his 5-year-old daughter Haley in Central Park. Just then Haley jumped head first into the snow and said: "Help me out. There's too much



CHUCK KENNEDY/KRT

Pedestrians walk along East Capitol Street near the U.S. Capitol, following the first major snow-storm of the season, Sunday, Feb. 12.

snow." The storm came on the heels of an unusually mild January that had people shedding jackets and ski resorts lamenting lost business.

"It's sort of crazy because it was so warm a couple of weeks ago and now we have knee-deep snow," said Skye Drynan, walking her dogs Bella

and Forest in lower Manhattan.

Elsewhere, 21 inches of snow fell at Columbia, Md., between Baltimore and Washington, as well as at East Brunswick, N.J., Hartford, Conn., and West Caln Township west of Philadelphia, the National Weather Service said. Philadelphia's average for an entire winter is about 21 inches.

"It's going to be a menace trying to clean it up," said Mayor Scott T. Rumano in Wayne, N.J. New York officials said snow removal costs the city about \$1 million per inch.

However, the storm's arrival during the weekend meant more people were staying at home instead of trying to drive to work.

Churches canceled services, and the Philadelphia Phantoms minor league hockey team postponed Sunday's game because the team couldn't get home from Chicago.

The storm closed all three of the New York metropolitan area's major airports, and airlines canceled more than 500 inbound and departing flights, 200 each at LaGuardia and Newark airports and 120 at Kennedy.

The airport closures and grounded planes stranded travelers elsewhere across the country. About 7,500 people were stuck just at Florida's Fort Lauderdale-Hollywood International Airport, spokesman Steve Belleme said.

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V-DAY:

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Fundraiser against violence

of its first events was "Take Back the Night," an event that SACIS puts on every fall.

"We decided to take part in the (V-Day) event because we believe in what SACIS stands for, which is stopping violence against women and children," said Althea Pendergast, member of Motherlode.

Motherlode will not only perform musically, but also theatrically by reading some of the monologues.

Tickets for the event are \$5 for Eastern and Lake Land College students with identification and \$15 for the general public.

Davis said 90 percent of the proceeds will go to help SACIS programs, and the other 10 percent will go to the "Comfort Women" campaign.

The reception starts at 6 p.m. and the performance begins at 7 p.m. today in the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union Grand Ballroom.

Tickets are available at the door or by calling SACIS at 348-5033.

FEES:

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Housing fees rise with utility costs

halls are older than I am," he said.

Dan Nadler, Vice President for Student Affairs, said the increase in rates will help update the electrical work in the residence halls and help purchase the 230 sets of new furniture the university plans to buy next year.

The expected 4 percent increase in the price of food over the next year is one more reason for the increase, Hencken said.

Even with the increased rates, Nadler said the university is still one of the best values in the state.

BOT:

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ERIC HILTNER/THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

President Lou Hencken gives the Board of Trustees an update of the campus construction Friday afternoon in the Grand Ballroom in the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union.

Bot recognizes journalism alumnus

Springfield Journal-Register, and was inducted into the Eastern Journalism Alumni Hall of Fame in 2003, Nilsen said.

Phipps, an actor, has been in more than 80 movies, including being the voice of Prince Charming in Walt Disney's "Cinderella."

Scott was in the U.S. Army before becoming the regional vice president of a large financial firm and is now an author. He is also currently a member of the Eastern Foundation Board of Directors.

Younger graduated with a degree in physics, was in the U.S. Army Counter Intelligence Corps until 1956 and later became the director of the Illinois-Indiana Cable Association.

BOT meeting notes:

- ◆ The central foyer of Old Main is to be renamed Cougill Foyer.
- ◆ Approved four recipients of honorary degree from Eastern: Patrick Coburn, of Springfield; William Edward Phipps of Malibu Calif.; Jeffrey G. Scott, Richmond Hills, Ga.; Charles Jacob Younger of Findlay, Ohio.
- ◆ Approved a three year contract with American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees, Local 981 Service Unit.

JAZZ FEST:

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Eastern gets its Jazz on for Jazz fest

"A lot of students have not experienced live jazz before," she said. "Some students think they won't enjoy it and it turns out they're blown away."

Brett Evans, an Eastern alumnus, said he enjoyed the show.

"He's probably the best lead trumpet player on the planet," Evans said.

The University Board, which has had a partnership with the jazz program for almost five years, sponsored the performance, said J.C. Miller, vice chair for UB. Miller said UB enjoys sponsoring these events because they bring the community and students together.



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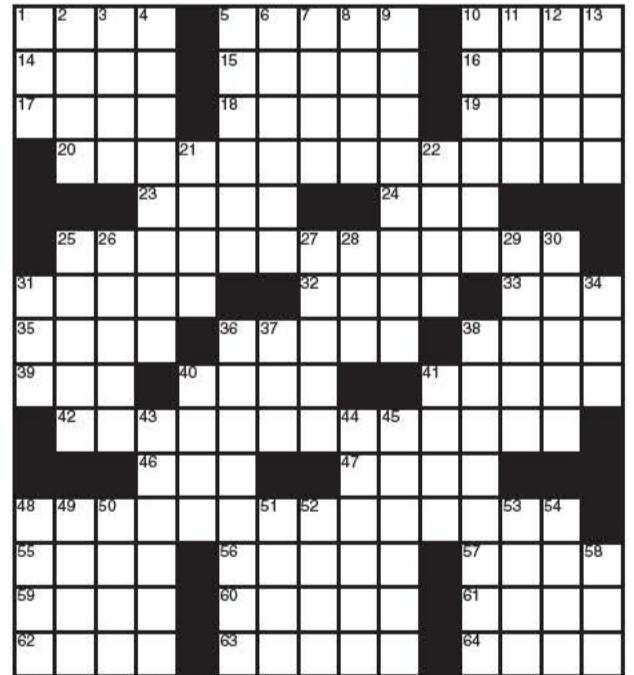
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CARRIE HOLLIS/THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

Tennessee-Martin senior guard Jerry Kelly splits between Eastern sophomore center George Tandy and sophomore guard Bil Duany on the way to two of his 23 points Saturday in the Skyhawks' 85-61 win at Skyhawk Arena.

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Kelly, Newson raise their game on Senior Night; pair lights up Panthers for 46 combined points

Nerves were something that Newson and Kelly did not show, as the two combined for 46 of the team's 85 points. The 31 points the duo scored in the first half outscored Eastern by two points.

Kelly said he was unaware that he and Newson outscored Eastern in the first half, but said that anytime the two can combine for 45-50 points, the Skyhawks do well.

"We've been around each other for three years now; we know each other pretty well," Kelly said. "I know what he's feeling and he knows what I'm feeling."

"It was just a connection (Saturday), and everything was clicking."

The connection was not evident the first time these two teams met earlier this year.

In an 80-70 Eastern win on Jan. 12 at Lantz Arena, Newson scored 16 points, but Kelly was held scoreless, misfiring on all seven of his shot attempts in 39 minutes of

action.

It took Kelly only six-and-a-half minutes to hit his first basket this time around, as he hit a wide-open 3-pointer from the top of the key to give the Skyhawks a 14-2 lead with 13 minutes, 33 seconds left in the first half.

A severely sprained thumb on his shooting hand attributed to his scoring woes in the first Eastern-UTM game and plagued Kelly throughout the month of January. With the current five-game winning streak the Skyhawks are on, much of their success is having a healthy Kelly to complement Newson.

"He's really responded going down the stretch and is playing better and more efficient offensively," UTM head coach Bret Campbell said.

In the last five games, Kelly has averaged 18.2 points, while Newson has scored at a clip of 24.2 ppg. The 6-foot-5, 215 pound Newson presented matchup problems for the

Panthers throughout the game, knocking down 3-pointers and jump shots as well as getting to the free throw line nine times.

"There are certain players in this league that I look at and say, 'We just don't have an answer to stop him.' He's one of them," Eastern head coach Mike Miller said.

Newson is one player in the Ohio Valley Conference, though, who has never played on a team that reached the OVC Tournament.

That is a goal for the senior, as he hopes that Saturday's game at home was not his last.

With the top four teams getting first-round tournament home games and the Skyhawks in sixth place, it is a goal that Newson and Kelly think is attainable.

"It's good to see that things are coming along in my last year," Newson said. "Unfortunately, it has to be my last year, but better late than never."

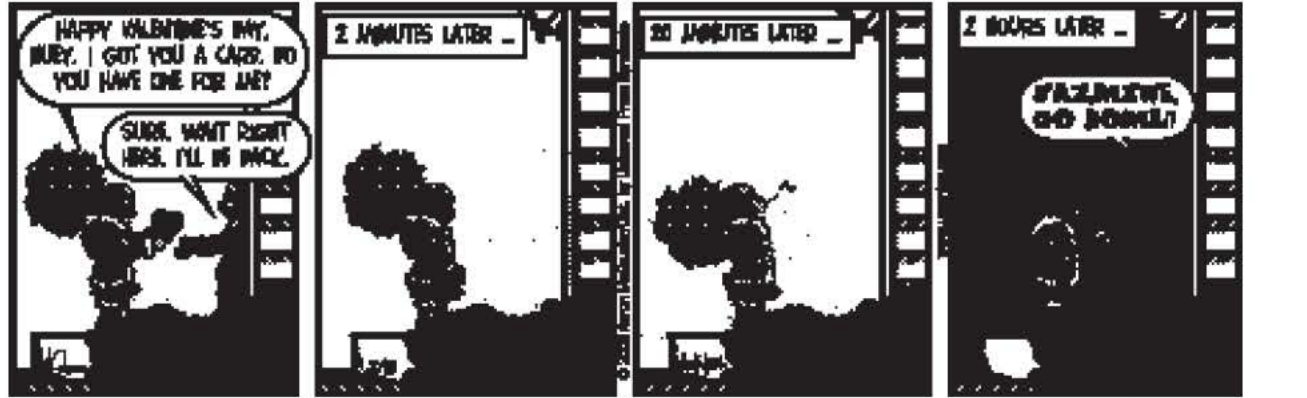
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UT MARTIN 70, EASTERN 64

| EASTERN | fg | | ft | | reb | | a | pf | pts |
|---------------|------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|----|-----|
| | min | m-a | m-a | o-t | a | pf | | | |
| Sims | 21 | 0-2 | 4-4 | 1-4 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 4 |
| Galligan | 26 | 4-7 | 5-6 | 0-5 | 1 | 2 | 13 | | |
| Edwards | 33 | 5-11 | 1-2 | 1-1 | 2 | 0 | 13 | | |
| Sparks | 33 | 0-10 | 2-2 | 1-3 | 3 | 3 | 2 | | |
| Canale | 25 | 1-6 | 2-2 | 2-5 | 0 | 3 | 4 | | |
| Kramer | 7 | 0-0 | 2-2 | 0-0 | 0 | 1 | 2 | | |
| Sellers | 5 | 0-0 | 2-2 | 0-0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | | |
| Eck | 16 | 5-7 | 2-2 | 0-0 | 0 | 1 | 17 | | |
| Maxedon | 7 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 1 | 4 | 0 | | |
| Scaggs | 4 | 0-1 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | | |
| Kluempers | 13 | 1-5 | 0-0 | 0-1 | 2 | 5 | 2 | | |
| Lipperd | 10 | 1-2 | 3-5 | 2-5 | 1 | 1 | 5 | | |
| TOTALS | 200 | 17-51 | 23-27 | 10-31 | 10 | 22 | 64 | | |

Percentages: FG .333 3-point goals: 7-18 (Eck 5-6, Edwards 2-6, Sparks 0-4, Canale 0-1, Kluempers 0-1) Blocked shots: 4 (Galligan 3, Scaggs) Steals: 7 (Sims 2, Sparks 2, Canale, Edwards, Scaggs) Turnovers: 15

| UT MARTIN | fg | | ft | | reb | | a | pf | pts |
|---------------|------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|----|-----|
| | min | m-a | m-a | o-t | a | pf | | | |
| Jackson | 35 | 12-21 | 6-10 | 10-19 | 5 | 3 | 30 | | |
| Willingham | 26 | 8-12 | 1-1 | 2-4 | 4 | 3 | 17 | | |
| Fuller | 14 | 0-3 | 2-2 | 0-4 | 1 | 5 | 2 | | |
| Cox | 37 | 1-1 | 0-2 | 0-2 | 1 | 2 | 2 | | |
| Robinson | 31 | 0-4 | 6-6 | 1-5 | 2 | 4 | 6 | | |
| Thomas | 3 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | | |
| Bonner | 19 | 0-3 | 0-0 | 0-3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | | |
| Mitchell | 25 | 3-8 | 4-4 | 2-5 | 2 | 2 | 10 | | |
| Harris | 10 | 1-7 | 1-2 | 3-3 | 2 | 1 | 3 | | |
| TOTALS | 200 | 25-59 | 20-27 | 18-46 | 17 | 21 | 70 | | |

Percentages: FG .424 3-point goals: 0-5 (Bonner 0-2, Jackson 0-2, Harris 0-1) Blocked shots: 1 (Jackson) Steals: 11 (Cox 2, Fuller 2, Mitchell 2, Robinson 2, Jackson, Thomas, Willingham) Turnovers: 16

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Eck shoots Eastern back into game

While Jackson was shooting 66 percent from the field in the first half, the Panthers could not get anything to drop.

Eastern (10-14, 9-7 OVC) made 3-of-21 shots in route to shooting 14 percent in the first half.

"Team wide, we're just not doing anything," Sallee said. "It wears on you."

The Skyhawks led by 13 points at halftime and extended that to a 45-26 lead with 12 minutes, 21 seconds left in the game.

UTM (8-15, 6-10) then held the Panthers away and still had an 18-point lead with five minutes to play.

But Eastern's reserves helped them chip away at the lead.

Juniour Meggie Eck scored eight of her team-high 17 points in the last five minutes including two 3-pointers.

"Eck shot unbelievable," Tansil said. "We got a little rattled and they caused us trouble."

The Panthers managed to pull within four points with one minute left.

"Eastern is a great team and I knew they would respond well," Tansil said.

Jackson had another explanation.

"I think we got tired because we played so hard in the first half," she said. "We had to put all of our energy in the first half."

The loss is the Panthers' third loss in their last four games and cost them a chance to take advantage of Austin Peay's loss.

Had Eastern won, the Panthers would have moved into sole possession of fourth place in the conference.

Senior Megan Sparks was held to just two points on two free throws early in the first half. She was held without a field goal for the first time since Feb. 24 of last season. That was also against Tennessee-

Martin.

"We were hoping to keep her out of it," Tansil said.

Sparks had 30 points in the team's first meeting on Jan. 12.

She went 0-for-10 and has now made just three of her last 21 shots over the last two games.

"You are going to have those nights," Sparks said. "Unfortunately, this is not the time to have them. We are in a streak where we all need to be playing our best."

Sallee was not concerned about Sparks.

"She's going through a funk," he said. "We'll get her out of it and she'll be fine."

Sparks said she had to work through it in practice but she did not have an excuse for Saturday night.

"I hold myself accountable in all areas," she said. "I had a horrible game."

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Fate still in Panthers' hands down stretch run

The question becomes whether Eastern can continue the momentum they had in a 20-6 run late in the game or if a weakness of the team was exposed just in time for the rest of the OVC to learn how to exploit it.

The answer to this question is what will determine whether the Panthers will reach Nashville, Tenn., for the first time ever or if Eastern will have to wait at least one more season to play in the conference semifinals.

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WRESTLING

Panthers snap losing streak

BY PATRICK VITT
STAFF REPORTER

The Panthers swept this weekend's triangular meet and logged their first team win since the Dec. 10 victory over Gardner Webb.

Wins over William Penn 27-18 and host Southern Illinois-Edwardsville 38-15 were highlighted by five of the 10 wrestlers going 2-0 on the weekend.

Freshman 157-pounder Thomas Johnson won his first match since the Dec. 4 Northern Iowa Open. Johnson was up one weight class for this weekend's meet.

"I was up from 149 to 157 this weekend and some times going up a weight can be a tough transition for the first couple matches," he said. "I did well this weekend and want to continue to practice and try to get better every meet."

Along with Johnson, 141-pounder Chase Beebe, 174-pounder Kenny

Robertson, 197-pounder Terron Williams and heavyweight Danny Perez were not beaten this weekend.

The Panthers (3-10) needed to pick up a team win after losing nine-straight meets.

Robertson (22-6), who won both his matches with pins, was glad to see a team effort to pick up the wins.

"It feels good to win and we had a few guys step up today and get some big wins," he said. "(Johnson) stepped up and started us off with a big win pinning his guy, I was real proud of him."

Robertson extended his winning streak to nine consecutive matches and took over the team lead in pins from sophomore 184-pounder Greg Perz with 10.

The Panthers will put their current winning streak on the line Feb. 19 when Eastern hosts Northern Colorado and No. 24 Northern Illinois.

OVC W-BASKETBALL BRIEFS

Austin Peay wins fourth straight

The Lady Gavs lost for the first time in four games as Samford beat them Saturday 45-41. The loss put Austin Peay's fourth-place position in jeopardy but they kept the No. 4 spot after Eastern Illinois lost at Tennessee-Martin.

Ashley Haynes recorded her school-record 18th double-double of the season with 14 points and 11 rebounds. Haynes became the first player in school history to record 1,000 career rebounds.

Southeast Missouri 87, Eastern Kentucky 86, OT

The Redhawks won their 10th straight conference game as they overcame a 15-point second-half deficit and remained within a half game of Tennessee Tech. Natalie Purcell hit a layup with 19 seconds left to tie the game sent it into overtime.

Laura Shelton hit two free throws

with 1 minute, 26 seconds to give ECU a two-point lead but Purcell answered with a 3-pointer a minute later. A turnover by Shelton in the final seconds clinched it for SEMO.

Morehead State 71, Murray State 69

The Lady Eagles went down to the final seconds but the Lady Racers' Alaina Lee missed a 3-pointer that would have won the game with 3 seconds left.

LaKrisha Brown gave Morehead State the lead with a jumper from the right side of the lane with 6 seconds left.

Brown finished with 26 points and 10 rebounds for her 14th career double-double.

Tennessee Tech 71, Tennessee State 58

Emily Christian had 22 points and 10 rebounds to help Tech keep first place in the Ohio Valley Conference.

Tennessee State can become the first team since the 1987-88 TSU team to finish a season winless. They went 0-26 in that season and are 0-23 this season.

— Briefs compiled by Marco Santana, sports editor



W-BASKETBALL STANDINGS

| | OVC | OVERALL |
|------------------|------|---------|
| Tennessee Tech | 14-3 | 18-6 |
| SEMO | 13-3 | 16-7 |
| Samford | 11-5 | 16-7 |
| Austin Peay | 9-7 | 12-11 |
| Eastern Illinois | 9-7 | 10-14 |
| Jacksonville St. | 7-9 | 9-14 |
| Murray St. | 7-9 | 8-15 |
| Morehead St. | 6-9 | 11-11 |
| UT-Martin | 6-10 | 8-15 |
| Eastern Kentucky | 6-10 | 6-17 |
| Tennessee St. | 0-16 | 0-23 |

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Panthers still have reasons to play

Kelly did the most damage early, making all five of his attempts for 17 first-half points. Newson struggled from the field, shooting just 3-of-9, but managed to get to the free-throw line six times on the way to 14 points in the half.

Eastern sophomore forward Jake Byrne said Tennessee-Martin's ability to get to the free throw line an OVC-leading 639 times forced his team to concede outside shots.

"I don't think we were prepared for them to shoot as well as they did," Byrne said. "When they shoot threes like that, it kind of takes the wind out of you."

Newson said the Skyhawks have emphasized their outside game because it's what's open.

"Teams are going to zone us a lot," Newson said. "In order to make it to the (NCAA) Tournament, not too many people can guard us one-on-one, so we have to work on the outside shot."

"It was falling today."

Eastern head coach Mike Miller said Newson and Kelly are peaking at the right time.

"They've got the hottest duo in the league, and we knew that coming in," Miller said. "We didn't do a good job against them."

Kelly and Newson led all scorers with 23 points each. Kelly connected on 5-of-7 three-point tries and dished out five assists to go with four steals. Newson grabbed a game-high eight rebounds.

While the Skyhawk offense functioned at a high clip, their defense also kept the Panthers from ever mounting a comeback. Eastern (5-18, 4-13) failed to cut into

Tennessee-Martin's lead in the second half as they went just 10-of-29 from the field.

Gomes and Byrne led Eastern with 14 points each.

"I thought we did a good job of getting the ball out of his hands and limiting his touches," Campbell said.

Miller said the Skyhawks' pressuring defense kept Eastern from settling into any significant offensive rhythm.

"We didn't handle the ball very well. We couldn't make the right pass or the right play when we needed to," he said. "We dug too big of a hole."

And the Panthers never responded to their opponent's aggression.

"It's one of those things when you have guys jumping into you like they did us, you either have to go by them or you have to get them off you," Miller said. "We did neither."

"When someone comes up on you, you need to knock them back on their heels or they're not going to get off."

Knocked back on their heels and out of the OVC Tournament, Robinson said the Panthers have to regroup — they still have a lot to play for.

"How we finish might carry over to next year," Robinson said. "We don't have anything to lose anymore — that's a scary thing. We might try to take someone else out. We can spoil it for them."

"We've got to play for something; we just can't give up."

Even Gomes, whose career at Eastern will end in less than two weeks, said there's work for the team to do in its last four games.

UT MARTIN 85, EASTERN 61

| EASTERN | fg | | ft | | reb | | |
|---------------|------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|----------|-----------|-----------|
| | min | m-a | m-a | o-t | a | pf | pts |
| Tandy | 14 | 3-8 | 3-3 | 4-7 | 0 | 3 | 9 |
| Byrne | 27 | 7-10 | 2-2 | 3-4 | 2 | 0 | 16 |
| Robinson | 25 | 2-7 | 0-0 | 2-6 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| Gomes | 35 | 4-8 | 6-7 | 0-1 | 1 | 2 | 16 |
| Catchings | 23 | 0-3 | 3-4 | 2-3 | 1 | 4 | 3 |
| Sinclair | 23 | 2-6 | 1-2 | 1-3 | 2 | 2 | 6 |
| Parrish | 19 | 2-6 | 0-2 | 1-2 | 1 | 1 | 4 |
| Brown | 4 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Duany | 11 | 1-3 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0 | 1 | 2 |
| Burke | 8 | 0-0 | 1-2 | 0-0 | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| Wilkin | 11 | 0-1 | 0-0 | 0-1 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| TOTALS | 200 | 21-52 | 16-22 | 14-29 | 9 | 18 | 61 |

Percentages: FG .404 3-point goals: 3-10 (Gomes 2-4, Sinclair 1-3, Catchings 0-1, Duany 0-1, Parrish 0-1) Blocked shots: 2 (Duany, Wilkin) Steals: 7 (Parrish 2, Robinson 2, Sinclair 2, Burke) Turnovers: 15

| UT MARTIN | fg | | ft | | reb | | |
|---------------|------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| | min | m-a | m-a | o-t | a | pf | pts |
| Newson | 29 | 6-15 | 8-9 | 2-8 | 3 | 2 | 23 |
| Lewis | 20 | 2-3 | 4-5 | 4-7 | 2 | 2 | 8 |
| Jones | 12 | 0-1 | 1-2 | 0-2 | 1 | 2 | 1 |
| Knight | 20 | 2-5 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 1 | 3 | 5 |
| Kelly | 32 | 7-9 | 4-4 | 2-4 | 5 | 3 | 23 |
| Ferrell | 16 | 0-1 | 0-0 | 1-3 | 2 | 1 | 0 |
| Flatt | 4 | 0-1 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Tolliver | 9 | 0-1 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Smith | 12 | 2-4 | 0-0 | 0-1 | 0 | 0 | 6 |
| Thompson | 20 | 4-6 | 0-0 | 1-3 | 1 | 1 | 8 |
| Dorse | 3 | 1-1 | 1-2 | 1-1 | 0 | 0 | 3 |
| Ingram | 4 | 0-2 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Woodfork | 16 | 4-6 | 0-0 | 1-4 | 1 | 4 | 8 |
| Cagle | 3 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| TOTALS | 200 | 28-55 | 18-22 | 13-35 | 17 | 19 | 85 |

Percentages: FG .509 3-point goals: 11-24 (Kelly 5-7, Newson 3-7, Smith 2-3, Knight 1-3, Ingram 0-2, Flatt 0-1, Tolliver 0-1) Blocked shots: 5 (Jones 2, Newson, Smith, Woodfork) Steals: 7 (Kelly 4, Lewis, Smith, Thompson) Turnovers: 10

"We got a lot of guys, eight out of 10 guys who are freshmen and sophomores," Gomes said. "Those guys need to remember this game and remember this feeling. And, they need to not let it happen again. "Eastern basketball needs to build and it's about that time."

WINTER OLYMPICS

U.S. struggling in games' first days

BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

TURIN, Italy — It was hardly a lost weekend for the U.S. Olympic team. The good news was just hard to find among all the disappointments.

Gold medals for speedskater Chad Hedrick and snowboarder Shaun White were nearly lost in a flurry of Winter Games woes that spread from sport to sport, and star to star. Big names fell short — or got no chance at all.

— Skater Michele Kwan: Shut down by a badly injured groin muscle without ever stepping on the ice. Goodbye to the team's (and television's) most familiar Olympic face, tear-streaked by the turn of events.

— Skiers Bode Miller and Daron Rahlves: Shut out in the downhill, where longshot Frenchman Antoine Deneriaz won the gold.

— Short track speedskater Apolo Anton Ohno: Skidded into fourth place in a semifinal heat, missing a chance to defend his gold medal in the 1,500 meters.

— Luger Tony Benshoof: On the verge of winning the first-ever singles luge medal for the U.S., he slipped into fourth place Sunday — missing a bronze by 0.237 seconds. Instead, Latvia — yes, Latvia — won its first Winter Games medal.

— The women's moguls team: Shut out Saturday in the freestyle despite fielding what was regarded at the deepest squad in the world.

Four years ago, the Americans won a staggering 34 medals with the home field advantage in Salt Lake City — more than double their previous high of 13 in a Winter Games. In Turin, they were just a little staggered: two golds and a silver in two days.

Historically, countries that hosted the games experience a 41 percent drop in medals when they returned to foreign soil for the next Olympics. That would leave the U.S. looking at about 20 medals in Italy.

OVC M-BASKETBALL BRIEFS

Murray State gets closer to conference championship

The Racers used a 24-5 run to begin the second half to extend a two-point halftime lead and bring their magic number down to two to clinch the Ohio Valley Conference title after winning 71-56 at Morehead State.

Murray State hasn't won an OVC title since the 1999-2000 season.

Justin Orr recorded a double-double, scoring 15 points and pulling down 10 rebounds in the Racers' win.

Austin Peay 74, Samford 68, OT

A low-scoring game turned into much more as the Governors and Bulldogs combined to score 34 points in overtime.

Randall Gulina could have give Austin Peay the win in regulation but he missed two free throws with 25 seconds left.

Samford's J. Robert Merritt had a game-high 25 points but was held scoreless in overtime.

Tennessee State 70, Tennessee Tech 65

The Tigers clinched a postseason berth with a win Saturday at Gentry Center. Kareem Grant led Tennessee State with 22 points. Tennessee Tech held a 12-point lead with 14 minutes left in the game but the Tigers responded with an 18-4 run.

The Tigers, the worst free-throw shooting team in the OVC, converted 18-of-22 free throws including 5-of-6 in the last 33 seconds.

Eastern Kentucky 80, Southeast Missouri 51

The Colonels dropped the Redhawks to their 10th straight loss with four players scoring in double digits.


Jason McLeish's 20 points led EKV and Roy Booker, who leads the conference in scoring, had a game-high 23 points.

— Briefs compiled by Marco Santana, sports editor



M-BASKETBALL STANDINGS

| | OVC | OVERALL |
|------------------|------|---------|
| Murray St. | 15-2 | 18-5 |
| Samford | 12-4 | 16-7 |
| Tennessee Tech | 11-7 | 16-10 |
| Austin Peay | 10-7 | 15-11 |
| Jacksonville St. | 9-7 | 11-11 |
| UT Martin | 9-9 | 12-12 |
| Eastern Kentucky | 8-8 | 11-13 |
| Tennessee St. | 8-8 | 9-13 |
| Eastern Illinois | 4-13 | 5-18 |
| Morehead St. | 3-13 | 4-18 |
| SEMO | 3-14 | 6-17 |



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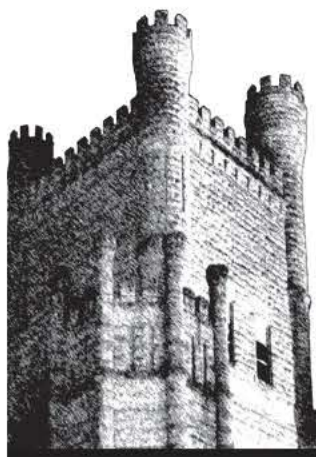
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| WEDNESDAY | M-BASKETBALL AT SEMO | 7:30 p.m. |
| THURSDAY | SWIMMING AT MID-CON CHAMPIONSHIPS (INDIANAPOLIS) | All day |
| | W-BASKETBALL AT SEMO | 7:30 p.m. |
| FRIDAY | M-TENNIS VS. NORTHERN ILLINOIS (ROCKFORD, ILL.) | 3 p.m. |
| | TRACK & FIELD FRIDAY NIGHT SPECIAL | 3 p.m. |
| | SOFTBALL AT LOUISIANA-MONROE TOURNAMENT | 6:15 p.m. |

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OFF THE BENCH

MARCO SANTANA
SPORTS EDITOR

Wrong time for woes

This is the worst time for the Panthers to be playing the way they are.

The women's basketball team has lost two very big games that may end up costing them a home game in the Ohio Valley Conference tournament.

The first one was against Austin Peay. Had they won that game, Eastern would be two games ahead for the last home spot with four games to play.

What is troublesome is not the fact that they are losing games. The trouble comes in the way they've been losing the games.

Against Austin Peay, Eastern scored a season-low 46 points. The Panther defense remained strong as they held the Lady Gobs to just 55 points.

On Saturday, Samford defeated Austin Peay and gave Eastern another chance to move into sole possession of fourth place.

They responded with their lowest-scoring half of the season as Tennessee-Martin held a 29-16 halftime lead that the Panthers couldn't recover from.

The Panthers had a tough non-conference schedule before entering OVC play. They even went up to Wisconsin and played a Big Ten team in the middle of their conference season.

But they always managed to score more than 16 points in a half until a game against the OVC's ninth-place team.

There was a stretch at the end of the game that saw the Panthers' bench provide a spark and helped them cut into a 19-point lead but the comeback fell short.

The team of shooters came up empty on Saturday. There was not one culprit. When your team is 3-for-21 from the field in the first half, pinning the blame on one or two players is pointless.

It is also not fair to pin the blame on a group of players under the basket. Anybody that went underneath and tried to stop Tennessee-Martin forward Andreika Jackson was unsuccessful.

In an incredible stat, the Skyhawks had 28 of their 29 points in the paint in the first half.

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M-BASKETBALL: TENNESSEE-MARTIN 85, EASTERN 61

REJECTED!

Loss eliminates Panthers from a spot in OVC Tourney

BY DAN WOIKE
SPORTS REPORTER

MARTIN, Tenn. — The Panther men's basketball team suffered a pair of losses Saturday night.

First, Eastern fell to Tennessee-Martin 85-61, but with the loss, the Panthers' hopes for an Ohio Valley Conference Tournament bid also slipped away.

"We played on our heels the whole night," senior guard Josh Gomes said. "You'd figure with us really trying to build and go on to the conference tournament, we wouldn't have played like that."

"We definitely got what we deserved."

The Panthers were held scoreless for the game's first five minutes as the Skyhawks built a 9-0 lead.

During the stretch, Tennessee-Martin capitalized on four offensive rebounds and four Eastern turnovers to grab early control despite shooting just 3-of-8 from the field (and 2-of-5 from three-point range) to open the game.

"We'd play tough defense for 30 seconds and force a bad shot, but then either we'd foul them or they'd get the rebound," freshman guard Mike Robinson said. "We never could stop their momentum."

And then when things seemed to be at their worst, the Skyhawks (12-12, 9-9 OVC) heated up from the outside.

"They had momentum, and then they started hitting their shots," Robinson said.

Led by senior guard Jeremy Kelly and senior forward Jared Newson,



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Tennessee-Martin junior center McKale Jones blocks Eastern freshman forward Billy Parrish's shot during the second half of the Panthers' 85-61 loss at Skyhawk Arena.

Tennessee-Martin made 12 of its next 19 shots, 7-of-10 from beyond the three-point line.

The Skyhawks led 49-29 at halftime.

But the tone was set from the opening tip, Tennessee-Martin head

coach Bret Campbell said.

"I think we made a statement the first five minutes of the game and throughout the first half," he said, "and I think that certainly helped."

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W-BASKETBALL: TENNESSEE-MARTIN 70, EASTERN 64

Second-half comeback comes a little short

BY MARCO SANTANA
SPORTS EDITOR

MARTIN, Tenn.—The Panthers played one of their better stretches of basketball this season late in the second half of Saturday's game at Tennessee-Martin.

However, it was the only stretch of the game that they could stop forward Andreika Jackson and make their shots.

The Skyhawks built a 19-point lead and saw it decreased to four points before finally being able to put Eastern away in a 70-64 win.

"We got beat by a team that was pre-

pared to play against us and had a good game plan," head coach Brady Sallee said.

The game plan was clear from the beginning of the game.

UTM head coach Tara Tansil and Jackson saw a mismatch inside.

"I felt they couldn't match up with us so we started running plays to get the ball inside," Jackson said.

In the first half, Jackson scored 21 of her 30 points as the Skyhawks continuously fed the ball under the basket.



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Tennessee-Martin junior forward Andreika Jackson and Eastern senior guard Megan Sparks chase after a loose ball during Eastern's 70-64 loss at Skyhawk Arena. The loss drops Eastern to 9-7 in the Ohio Valley Conference.

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