

8-30-2012

Daily Eastern News: August 30, 2012

Eastern Illinois University

Follow this and additional works at: http://thekeep.eiu.edu/den_2012_aug

Recommended Citation

Eastern Illinois University, "Daily Eastern News: August 30, 2012" (2012). *August*. 9.
http://thekeep.eiu.edu/den_2012_aug/9

This Article is brought to you for free and open access by the 2012 at The Keep. It has been accepted for inclusion in August by an authorized administrator of The Keep. For more information, please contact tabruns@eiu.edu.



Past hall residents adjust to new co-ed building

Page 3



Soccer player adjusts to new world

Page 8

STUDY ABROAD

Coordinator breaks down program

By Robyn Dexter
In-depth Editor

More than one-third of students studying abroad this semester are student-teaching, the coordinator of the Study Abroad Office said.

Kelly Holland, the coordinator of the Study Abroad Office, said the Study Abroad program currently has 21 students traveling this semester.

Normally, the bulk of students study abroad during the summer, and 21 students in the fall is about average. In the last five years, the fall numbers peaked at 39 students in 2008.

Of these 21, eight are student teaching.
“The way that this program works is there are 10 students a year, so right now there’s a lot going in the fall,” Holland said. “They’re all over the world.”

Some of the countries where Eastern students are student teaching include Ireland, Australia, China, Germany, Netherlands, New Zealand and Germany.

Holland said the majors of these students vary from English, art, history and kinesiology sports studies.

The students applying to student-teach overseas go through a rigorous application process and 10 students are selected, she said.

“We are the only school in Illinois that participates in the consortium,” she said. “The consortium is run out of Kent State in Ohio, and there are 15 member schools.”

The remaining students are studying abroad in England, Spain, Costa Rica, Ireland and South Korea.

“The other ones are partner programs with places such as Harlaxton College,” she said.

Holland said the number of students that study abroad from semester to semester does vary.

“Spring is usually the more populated time to study abroad,” she said. “It really does depend on what students are looking for.”

Holland said a lot of seniors study abroad the first semester of their senior year.

“Some students may be reluctant to miss out on the last semester of their senior year, but we do see some where students will go in the fall and decide to stay for the spring as well,” she said. “A lot of it depends on their curriculum.”

Students can receive scholarships to study abroad, and funding is rewarded through the Study Abroad program.

Holland said there are various deadlines throughout the year for students to apply for study abroad scholarships.

ABROAD, page 5

TELEPHONES



PHOTO ILLUSTRATION BY ZACHARY WHITE | THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

Due to underuse, departments around campus are cutting back on phones in some professor’s offices in order to save money.

Phones removed as budgets drop

Departments cutting phone lines

By Tim Deters
Features Editor

As budgets have tightened within several Eastern departments, telephones have been removed from faculty offices to cut costs.

In 2011, both the English and journalism departments removed a majority of landline telephones from faculty offices.

The journalism department was first to take the step, removing telephones from eight of 12 faculty offices. The English department soon followed, removing 42 telephones from nearly the whole faculty.

The history department is the latest department to remove telephones, cutting 14 of 28 telephone lines for Fall 2012.

James Tidwell, journalism department

“The faculty were not at all of one mind about it but everyone agreed that it was worth it,”
Anita Shelton, history professor

chairman, said the decision to remove telephones was presented to the faculty and that they were allowed to keep their telephones if they desired.

English faculty were also presented with the decision to remove telephones and agreed as a whole that the step was necessary, said Dana Ringuette, English department chairman.

However, not all faculty telephones were removed. Department chairs, secretaries, advisers and program directors were allowed to keep their phones.

Professors have the option of taking phone calls at the secretary’s desk, said Anita Shelton, history department chairman.

Also, for both the English and history departments, the secretary has a department cell phone that professors can take to their offices for private conversation.

Telephones cost an average of \$16 per line, said Clay Hopkins, director of telecommunications.

“That’s not an insignificant cost over a yearly basis,” he said.

PHONES, page 5

VOLUNTEER FAIR

Salavation Army returns to volunteer fair

By Amy Wywialowski
Assistant Daily Editor

After a few years’ absence at Eastern’s Getting Involved in Volunteer Efforts fair, the Salvation Army joined about 25 other organizations to recruit students and encourage them to volunteer Wednesday.

Rachel Fisher, the director of the Student Community Service, said the goal of the event is to get people involved and show them the organizations they can help, but it is also a networking opportunity for the organizations involved.

“I can tell a student about how great an organization is, but for them to meet them on a face-to-face basis is so much better,” Fisher said. “It is almost like a family reunion for us as well where we talk to each other and see how we can plan events together.”

A new member to the volunteer “family” was

the Salvation Army, which brought two representatives: Sarah Eddy, a senior organizational and professional development major, and Mindy Willenborg, a volunteer who is the process of becoming the outreach coordinator for the Mattoon Salvation Army location.

Willenborg said the organization had not attended the fair in past years because they did not get much interest the first time around.

The organization focuses on a variety of outreach programs including a church, summer camps, food pantries, thrift stores, clothing closets, school supply drives among others.

The group is often recognized for the red kettles they use for the Christmas collection program.

“We try to provide whatever the people in our community need, even if it is just free day-care for a few hours,” Willenborg said. “Last week, we had a family with two young children come in who had recently lost their mother.”

She said they were able to provide food and clothing to the family.

Both Willenborg and Eddy both became involved with organization after attending the church, called the Salvation Army Church.

Eddy has been involved for about 10 years and often wears the uniform associated with the organization.

“The uniform shows what we stand for and makes us easily recognizable,” Eddy said.

Willenborg said she joined because it is the first church she has found that does not judge her for her past mistakes. Willenborg is a single parent, who gave birth at 15.

“They accept me for who I am, flaws and all,” Willenborg said.

Amy Wywialowski can be reached at 581-2812 or alwywialowski@eiu.edu.



ZACHARY WHITE | THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS
Dakota Radford, the Volunteer Coordinator at the Douglas-Hart Nature Center in Mattoon, Ill., shows off one of the turtles from the center. Douglas-Hart is 70 acres of prairie, wetland and forest habitat.

EIU weather

TODAY



Sunny
High: 95°
Low: 72°

WEDNESDAY



Mostly Sunny
High: 93°
Low: 73°

For more weather visit castle.eiu.edu/weather.

ONLINE

Check out the
dailyeasternnews.com



EASTERN NEWS

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

Contact

If you have corrections or tips, please call:

217 • 581 • 2812

or fax us at:

217 • 581 • 2923



Printed by Eastern Illinois University
on soy ink and recycled paper.
Attention postmaster: Send address changes
to: The Daily Eastern News 1802 Buzzard Hall,
Eastern Illinois University Charleston, IL 61920

Editorial Board

Editor in Chief	Elizabeth Edwards DENEic@gmail.com
Managing Editor	Ashley Holstrom DENmanaging@gmail.com
News Editor	Rachel Rodgers DENnewsdesk@gmail.com
Associate News Editor	Nike Ogunbodede DENnewsdesk@gmail.com
Opinions Editor	Seth Schroeder DENopinions@gmail.com
Online Editor	Sara Hall DENnews.com@gmail.com

News Staff

Daily Editor	Sam McDaniel
Assistant Daily Editor	Amy Wywialowski
Features Editor	Tim Deters
In-Depth Editor	Robyn Dexter
Photo Editor	Zachary White
Sports Editor	Jordan Pottorff
Verge Editor	Jaime Lopez
Assistant Photo Editor	Miranda Ploss
Assistant Online Editor	Andrew Crivilare
Assistant Sports Editor	Anthony Catezone

Advertising Staff

Advertising Manager	Breanna Blanton
Promotions Manager	Kate Hannon

Faculty Advisers

Editorial Adviser	Lola Burnham
Photo Adviser	Brian Poulter
DENNews.com Adviser	Bryan Murley
Publisher	John Ryan
Business Manager	Betsy Jewell
Press Supervisor	Tom Roberts

Production Staff

Night Chief	Elizabeth Edwards
Lead Designer/Online Production	Nike Ogunbodede
Copy Editors/Designers/Online Production	Bobby Galuski

About

The Daily Eastern News is produced by the students of Eastern Illinois University. It is published daily Monday through Friday, in Charleston, Ill., during fall and spring semesters and twice weekly during the summer term except during university vacations or examinations. One copy per day is free to students and faculty. Additional copies can be obtained for 50 cents each in the Student Publications Office in Buzzard Hall. The Daily Eastern News is a member of The Associated Press, which is entitled to exclusive use of all articles appearing in this publication.

Comments / Tips

Contact any of the above staff members if you believe your information is relevant.

Corrections

The Daily Eastern News is committed to accuracy in its coverage of the news. Any factual error the staff finds, or is made aware of by its readers, will be corrected as promptly as possible. Please report any factual error you find by e-mail, phone, campus mail or in person.

The Daily Eastern News Is Hiring!

The Daily Eastern News is looking for a copy editor for this semester. This person will learn how to use InDesign.

Email: deneic@gmail.com

Call: 581-2812

Please contact us, if you are interested.

All about the moves



AMANDA WILKINSON | THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

(Right to Left) Dawn Reed, a junior psychology major; Michaela Wilburn, a senior psychology major; Atiya Montgomery, a pre-business accounting major; and Tracie Hall, a sophomore kinesiology and sports studies major, dance during the Jolie dance tryouts in the Dance Studio at the Student Recreation Center Wednesday.

CHARLESTON

Folk singer, guitarist to perform at JAC

Darby returns to coffee stage for mic night

By Liz Purcell
Staff Reporter

Folk artist Chris Darby will be returning to the Jackson Avenue Coffee at 4 p.m. Friday to play some soulful tunes.

Darby writes his own music and tours across the United States, from San Diego to Chicago, to play at coffee shops, bars and art centers.

Dan Reible, owner of the JAC, said Darby has a Cat Stevens folk style.

"We set up this show just for him because he is a very talented musician, and he was in the area," Reible said.

Darby said he has a great respect for other underground artists, such as Ty Maxon, Elliott Smith and Heather Styka.

"The musicians who influence me the most are my peers," Darby said. "Anyone who exudes passion for their work is a great inspiration to me."

Darby has played at the JAC three or four times in the past, Reible said.

Darby said he enjoys playing for small and large crowds alike, but he prefers

"The musicians who influence me the most are my peer."

Chris Darby, JAC performer

more intimate settings because it is hard to make a personal connection.

"Both situations have their advantages," Darby said. "I do like the intimacy created in a small room, and I like that the barrier between the audience and the performer can be lifted."

Darby was born in rural Missouri but currently resides in Chicago.

Darby has played hun-

dreds of shows in the past and released several albums with his previous band "Them Damn Kids" before he began touring as a solo artist in 2010.

"I started performing publicly in 2004, and have played over 500 shows since," Darby said. "I started playing guitar when I was 14 and began writing songs in college. My first show was in 2001, but I didn't get se-

rious about it for another three years."

Darby said he considers his music career his "life's work" because he could not see himself doing anything else.

Darby said he believes music and art should be important in every person's life.

"George Bernard Shaw said 'Without art, the crudeness of reality would make the world unbearable,'" Darby said. "I tend to agree with this sentiment."

Liz Purcell can be reached at 581-2812 or capucell@eiu.edu.

GOT ADS?

WHAT CAN YOU DO FOR BLUE?

PUMP UP THE
BLUE
HOMECOMING 2012
EASTERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY

TONIGHT!

2012 HOMECOMING OVERALL MEETING

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 4, 2012 9:00 p.m.,
MLK Jr. Union/Arcola-Tuscola Rm.

For more Information:

Go On-line - www.eiu.edu/homecoming
or call 581-5117

HC Spirit T-shirts \$5 On Sale Now

BINGO

@ The MOOSE
Family Fraternity



615 7th Street

Non-members can play

TONIGHT
7 pm

217-345-2012

* MUST BE 21 *

RESIDENCE HALLS

Past hall residents adjust to new co-ed building



JARAD JARMON | THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

Danielle Mense, a freshman psychology major, talks to freshman Jill Greene, about starting out the new year. Thomas Hall desk assistant jobs are now available for both men and women.

By Amy Wywialowski
Assistant Daily Editor

For the residents and staff of Thomas Hall, the past two weeks have been business as usual—except for the addition of female residents for the first time in its history.

At the end of the Spring 2012 semester, University Housing and Dining Services decided the hall would be co-ed beginning this fall because of the higher demand for co-ed housing on campus.

Randall Bogard, the area director for Andrews and Thomas halls, said

the one major change besides the presence of females in the building is that residents seem a lot calmer than in past years and there is “a lot less craziness.”

Sally Adams, the first female associate residence director of the hall, said the whole thing does not seem like that big of a deal to her because it is all she has ever known.

“Just the other day, it kind of dawned on me when Lou (Hencken) said something in class about how he isn’t used to thinking of Thomas with a female ARD,” Adams said. “It’s been pretty calm and not anything

I wouldn’t expect with the position.”

The Thomas Hall council has also changed by adding female residents to its ranks.

Grant Watts, a senior history major, Thomas Hall desk assistant and hall council president, said he was weary of the change when it was first announced, but now that the change has occurred, he hardly notices.

“It is different working with both guys and gals and nice to get the new opinions,” he said. “In terms of hall council, we currently have one girl on our executive board and are working to make the activities more balanced

this year, focusing more on education and diversity.”

With the new year firmly in place, its staff, including Bogard and Adams, have two new mottos for their residents: “New Look, New Year, New Attitude” and “Thomas Hall S.W.A.G.”

S.W.A.G stands for success while achieving greatness.

“We want our residents to think about what they want to do this year,” Bogard said. “And achieve bigger things than they ever thought they could.”

Upon hearing the news of the co-ed change last year, Bogard was quoted in *The Daily Eastern News* article “Thomas Hall anticipates co-ed change.”

“I am ecstatic about the new Thomas Hall,” Bogard said. “In regards to the program, I think that we will be seeing a lot more ideas from our female co-residents, a newer way to look at some things.”

Now that the change has occurred, Bogard has similar sentiments regarding the issue.

“I haven’t done the breakdown of our numbers, but it is about even, and I think things are going to run similarly to years past,” Bogard said, “It doesn’t feel that different, except now we get to know more students.”

Thomas Hall is separated into three female floors and four male floors.

Amy Wywialowski can be reached at 581-2812 or alwywialowski@eiu.edu

Thomas Hall Timeline

1895

Eastern established as the Eastern Illinois State Normal School.

1964

Thomas Hall was founded and had a capacity of 488 residents.

September 2010

Thomas Hall becomes the first residence hall in the South Quad to have wireless Internet installed.

October 2011

The Residence Hall voted 28 to 5 in favor of the conversion.

Fall 2012

Thomas Hall becomes first residence hall to become co-ed in 30 years. The hall has a capacity of 446 residents.

Fun facts:

- Thomas Hall is named after Simeon E. Thomas, the head and sole member of the department of social science

- The office in Thomas’ basement used to be a field office for police investigations.

FOOTBALL

TONIGHT

6:30

VS SOUTHERN ILLINOIS

eiupanthers.com

NEW student tailgate

opens: 3 hours prior to kickoff
ends: 15 minutes prior to kickoff
\$10 season parking pass | free popcorn upon entrance
park ... grill ... byob ... call 581-7151 for more information

EASTERN ILLINOIS

wanna know more?

NEW SMARTPHONE APP

search: panther nation
in android/itunes app store
panther news, schedule,
event check-in,
free stuff

Google play

the new era
begins tonight @ 6:30
fireworks display
tonight
o'brien field
students admitted free
with valid panther ID

PANTHERS
EASTERN ILLINOIS

STAFF EDITORIAL

Fans need to bring support to new Panther football

It's a new era for Eastern football as first year head coach Dino Babers will be leading the Panthers through the 2012 season.

The Panthers are coming off of back-to-back disappointing seasons, recording just two wins in each of the last two seasons. But they have been reenergized with a new-look, coaching staff and offensive game plan that has them feeling confident they can contend in the Ohio Valley Conference this fall.

"We plan to win a lot of ball games," red-shirt junior linebacker Antonio Taylor said. "We plan to come out to win some games for our fans and win some games for ourselves and have a great season."

To return Eastern to football prominence it will need a strong showing from the players, but it will also need help from the student fan base. In recent years, student fans have been largely absent at O'Brien Field. The majority of the fans are made up of people from Charleston and the surrounding communities.

To speed up the rebuilding process, and to develop a strong student fan base, O'Brien Field needs to develop a reputation as a tough place to play with a passionate student section that will rattle the opposing teams on a consistent basis.

Students need to join Panther Nation, wear blue, come to games on a consistent basis and cheer the Panthers to victory as they begin a new era of Eastern athletics.

Panther fans can expect to see quality play on a consistent basis. Eastern will be fielding a team that will be debuting a new up-tempo offense that will be putting up a lot of points against the opposition this fall.

"This offense is just really fast paced and we throw the ball a lot," senior receiver Chris Wright said. "You get to see different things, and I've never thought there was an offense like this where you could do so much stuff. It's been a challenge but it's very exciting."

A key figure in the Panthers offensive attack will be returning starting quarterback Jimmy Garoppolo. Garoppolo is coming off of his first season as starting quarterback where he threw for 2,644 yards, good for second in the conference. Garoppolo also finished his sophomore season ranked third in touchdown passes with 20.

Another offensive weapon will be Garoppolo's favorite target, Chris Wright. The speedy wide receiver is coming off of a break-out junior year where he led the team in every receiving statistic. Wright's 735 yards and 42 receptions ranked first on the team, and his 11 touchdown receptions led all receivers in the OVC.

In the running game, the Panthers will feature redshirt senior Jake Walker. Walker is coming off of an injury plagued junior season that had him rushing for a team-best 580 yards and 10 touchdowns in 2011.

The high-powered, dynamic offense led by Garoppolo, Wright and Walker will give Panther fans plenty to cheer for this fall. They have the talent, the confidence and the determination to perform in 2012.

The DAILY EASTERN NEWS

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

EDITORIAL BOARD

Editor in Chief
Elizabeth Edwards

News Editor
Rachel Rodgers

Managing Editor
Ashley Holstrom

Associate News Editor
Nike Ogunbodede

Online Editor
Sara Hall

Opinions Editor
Seth Schroeder

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

COLUMN

There's FroYo in Charleston; we're practically L.A.

Los Angeles is a city of many things—smog, angels, eight-lane freeways, Kardashians, imaginary celebrity sightings, pot doctors, real celebrity sights, Hollywood, etc. It's also a city of frozen yogurt (or FroYo, as you trendy eaters call it).

I hadn't heard much about FroYo, this stuff that's basically ice cream with candy thrown on top, before visiting my sister in the L.A. last spring.

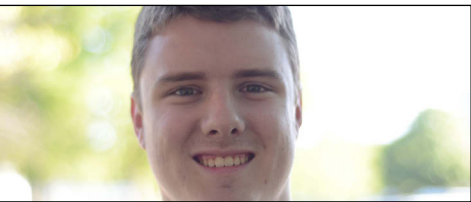
There I realized frozen yogurt stands are kind of like hot dog stands in Chicago, counterfeit watch and purse brokers in New York City, slot machines and female escorts in Las Vegas — they're on every corner.

Go to The Original Farmers Market in L.A. and there, among all the fresh fruit, veggies and candy apples is a place to get FroYo.

Then walk out of the market and into The Grove right next to it and see pop-up FroYo stands placed sparsely among everything else (a Barnes & Noble, Mario Lopez filming his Hollywood access show and probably an Apple store).

"Oh look! FroYo," I shout and point. My sister just says something like, "Yup," like it's no big deal, "Keeping moving."

Well, it is a big deal, Molly. FroYo is trendy —it's attractive; at least that's what I gather from driving by Charleston's new Fruit Chill Frozen Yogurt place. It's like the big man on campus. Everyone wants a piece of it (or in this



Alex McNamee

case, a cup of it).

Fruit Chill, which shares a building with L.A. Tan (coincidence? I think not!), always looks busy. The inside looks crowded and there is spill over crowds leaning against the building outside eating their yogurt.

Monday I decided I needed to get a bite of my own before there was nothing left.

As soon as I walked into the place, they knew I was a FroYo virgin. I was the guy who walked straight to the cash register, instead following the directions written on the walls. I later found out the directions clearly state step one and two as fill a cup up with yogurt on your own.

Not even your mom is there to help you! Unless, of course, she is.

I was supposed to fill up my cup with yogurt. I thought this would be simple until I saw the dispensing machines. I was intrigued, yet frightened, by the one that was labeled caramel pretzel yogurt.

Caramel and pretzels? Might as well be cheese puffs and chocolate syrup. I stuck to classic French vanilla.

Once you get to the table of goodies, the maker overwhelms you with options. I mixed strawberries, blueberries, Nerds and Butterfinger bites.

I didn't think about keeping it simple like two students I talked to, who were also eating FroYo for the first time. One just got cashews, but had the caramel pretzel stuff. The other got almonds.

Safe. Smart. Most importantly, inexpensive. FroYo cup in hand, I started chatting with them eager to find out how much they paid for theirs. Mine put me out \$7, the price of their two cups combined. Price goes by the weight of the cup at the end. Apparently, I'm fatter than they were.

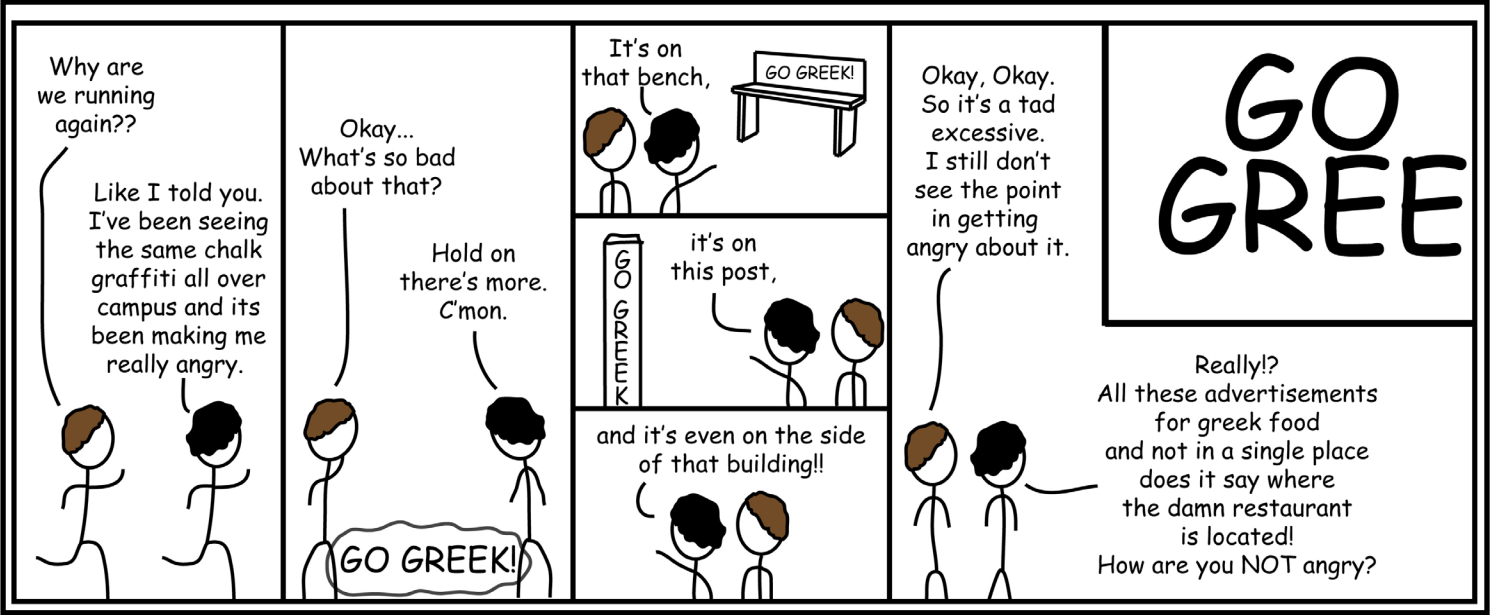
It's OK to have fat moments, though, because \$7 isn't bad at all to pay for a large cup of fancy ice cream.

The experts at Wikipedia tell me FroYo began in the New England area, but it started in L.A. for me.

Next time I visit my sister, maybe I won't be so befuddled by the many FroYo stands on L.A. streets.

Alex McNamee is a senior journalism major. He can be reached at 581-2812 or denopinions@gmail.com.

FROM THE EASEL



ETHAN SCHROEDER | THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

COLUMN

Tailgating: a fun way to support our team

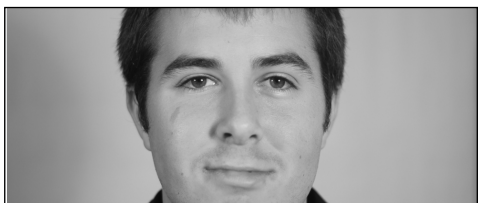
I'll say it, I'm proud to be attending Eastern and be a Panther. This is a great school. We've got cheaper tuition, textbook rental and great teachers.

Almost any night of the week we have a crowd heading out for trivia, ladies night and bingo.

We are EIU and we like to work hard and play hard. I believe Eastern was left off the Princeton party list simply for the fact they don't list professionals with the amateurs.

With all that in mind, I find it our lack of passion in tailgating surprising. We wake up Saturday for a healthy beer breakfast (the most important meal of the day) but we have trouble maintaining a consistent crowd of fans.

In my four years here, it's almost always followed the same pattern. There's a large crowd for the first two games then...nothing. Yes they did get rid of the beer tent, but that just gives us more opportunities to grill, play bags and play football. Instead of everyone



Tommy Nierman

crammed into one tent, we now receive the entire area to fill.

There are a few things you can only do in college and tailgating for your school is one of them.

Sure you can come back as alumni but when I'm an alumnus there needs to be tailgating I actually want to come back to. We don't lack the resources we just lack the motive.

Student tailgating can mean enjoying the people you find at the bars without necessarily having to deal with the crowds. Don't

like waiting to play bags? You can bring your own. Don't like hearing "Call Me Maybe" on the jukebox? Then you can bring your own speakers. You don't need to wait for a drink and you don't need to tip.

You're only limited by the effort and resources you are willing to use, and the creativity in what you choose to bring.

Tailgating college football is an age-old tradition. It shows support for the team and it shows school spirit. It's fun and odds are you don't have anything else to do during Saturday games anyway.

Let's bring Eastern Illinois University tailgating up to the same standards we hold for our homecoming weekend, ladies night, trivia, and thirsty Thursdays. Let's bring in a new era of panther tailgate.

Tommy Nierman is a senior business management major. He can be reached at 581-2812 or denopinions@gmail.com.

Letters to the editor can be submitted at any time on any topic to the Opinions Editor to be published in *The Daily Eastern News*.
The DEN's policy is to run all letters that are not libelous or potentially harmful. They must be less than 250 words.

Letters to the editor can be brought in with identification to *The DEN* at 1811 Buzzard Hall.
Letters may also be submitted electronically from the author's EIU e-mail address to DENopinions@gmail.com.

ACCOLADES

WEIU nominated for 4th Emmy

Eastern TV station gets recognition for trial coverage

By Samantha McDaniel
Daily Editor

WEIU-TV received its fourth Emmy nomination in about four years for its broadcast coverage of the closing of the Graywood Foundation.

On April 11, 2011, WEIU-TV News Watch broadcast a sweep of stories on the closing of Graywood, a former group home for the developmentally disabled, dedicating at least half of their 30-minute show to the coverage.

The Illinois Department of Human services revoked Graywood's contract because the facility did not meet basic standards of care, and two murders occurred in three years.

Vicki Zeal, a WEIU alumna, said working on this broadcast was a great experience.

"It was a lot of work and planning," Zeal said. "It was different than what you do everyday at WEIU."

WEIU was nominated in the College/ University Student Production category of news for the Mid-America Emmy with another nomination from "Scoring for Slaten, KOMU" from Columbia, Mo.

Kelly Runyon, the news director for WEIU, said it is a new experience every time they get nominated.

"It doesn't ever get old because it is a statement of the wonderful

"...it's always good to get your work recognized."

-Vicki Zeal, former WEIU personality

work the students do here," Runyon said. "There is always a turnover of students too, so quite typically it is a different batch of students who come in and continue to produce award-winning work."

Zeal said they had to make sure they covered all of their bases, and pieces did not share all the same information.

"The night before we were all in the newsroom, reading each others stuff and editing," Zeal said. "It was good teamwork."

Janice Collins, a journalism professor, said WEIU got a great chance to cover this hard-news piece, which was picked up by national news organizations.

"Graywood had everything," Collins said. "It had the emotion, the human aspect, economy, policy, budget, politics, characteristics of a hard-hitting story."

Collins said the group that covered the Graywood closing worked together and focused on five different stories instead of making them fit into one.

The newscast covered the background of the Graywood Foundation, criminal occurrences, individual people and how families were affected.

Zeal emphasized that it was a group effort.

"The best part about it was everyone working together on their pieces," Zeal said. "Each piece was separate, but they read like a giant story."

Runyon said they even had a crew travel to Springfield to talk with the mother of Paul McCann, a developmentally disabled person who was beaten to death in a Graywood facility on Jan. 19, 2011.

Zeal said she remembered the affect the story had on the community.

"The reaction we got from people about it, that we covered it better than anyone in the community from top to bottom," Zeal said. "We gave it more than a minute and a half of the show, which no one else in the market had done."

Zeal said she hopes students and community members will realize that WEIU is more than just a student organization.

The Emmy winners will be announced on Sept. 22 in the Midland Theater in Kansas City, Mo.

Zeal said when they covered the Graywood closing, they were not thinking about being nominated for an Emmy.



ZACHARY WHITE | THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

Sean Morrissey, a communication studies major, leads the countdown to bring NewsWatch back from a break. Morrissey said that he was excited because it was his first day on the job.

"That's not why we do it, but it's always good to get your work recognized," Zeal said.

Runyon said this piece was great for them to send in.

"I saw a lot of the young jour-

nalists transform into professional journalists," Runyon said.

Samantha McDaniel can be reached at 581-2812 or slmcdaniel@eiu.edu.

EMPLOYMENT

Students use new program to search for jobs

By Meghan Kegeris
Staff Reporter

Panther Recruiting conducted two informational training sessions to inform students of the benefits of the program and the features being introduced this year on Wednesday.

Between the two sessions, only one student attended.

Daniel Laskowski, a junior accounting major, said he attended the train-

ing session because he hope to obtain an internship and knowledge about the field and to find contacts for future employers.

Panther Recruiting is a program open to all students, which allows them to create a career profile, as well as schedule appointments with advisers and participate in the many workshops that are put on throughout the year.

Debbie Endsley, a career adviser,

spoke about how the program makes it easier to find help with employment.

"It's a huge advantage for students looking for jobs and internships because (employers) target Eastern students," she said.

All employers featured in the program are screened ahead of time so that no student is at risk of being tricked into a scam.

This year, the program is making a move to become more mobile and eas-

ily accessible.

Students can now schedule everything online through the website, as well as have the option to receive email and text reminders.

One of the new features is the ability to have a live chat with students later in the semester.

In addition to having more features available online, students can use their smart phones to have all the resources at their fingertips.

The mobile version is found through the website and has all the same features as the online version.

Features and information about Panther Recruiting are available through the Career Services website or its office located in the Health Services Building.

Meghan Kegeris can be reached at 581-2812 or mekegeris@eiu.edu.

PHONES, from page 1

Ringuette said the cost of having telephones can become even greater if professors make long-distance calls to students who live outside the area.

Shelton said there were concerns among faculty about removing telephone lines and the affect it would have on professor-student communications, but the decision was reached to go ahead with the removal.

"The faculty were not at all of one mind about it, but everyone agreed that it was worth it," she said.

History professor Lynne Curry said the decision to remove phones was not hard to agree on.

"To me, it was the logical thing to do because I rarely talk on the phone," she said.

English professor Francine McGregor said having her phone removed has not proven to be a challenge.

"Honestly, I never used my phone that much," she said.

Both Curry and McGregor agreed that students largely do not contact

professor by phone and rely more on other electronic forms of communication, such as email and Desire 2 Learn.

Ringuette also said students rely mostly on alternate forms of communication.

"Students didn't usually contact professors on their phones," he said. "They were much more used to contacting them by phone or showing up at office hours."

Kiemya Spivey, a junior English major, said she contacts her professors almost completely through email or Desire 2 Learn and that she has not run into a situation where a professor was difficult to contact.

Derek Gardner, a junior history major, also said he relies mostly on email to contact his professors and that he usually does not call his professors.

"I would definitely go email first," he said.

Tim Deters can be reached at 581-2812 or tadeters@eiu.edu.

ABROAD, from page 1

"The \$100,000 that the Study Abroad Office has is applicable to any kind of programming," Holland said. "It includes Spring Break, the Winter Break, the academic year, the semester, the student teacher, as well as merit and financial need."

Holland said the group that is currently studying abroad is a high-achieving group.

"The way the funds are distributed has a lot to do with the application itself," Holland said. "The GPA is the foundation of the application."

Out of the group currently studying abroad, Holland said three of the 21 received endowed scholarships, three merit awards and four financial-need awards.

"We also had one exchange waiver for Ajou in South Korea," she said. "They send us students, and we send them students as well."

Holland said out of the 300 students Eastern sends abroad, almost 200 students go in the summer-time.

"It's hyper-competitive," she said.


Out of the 21 students currently studying abroad currently, Holland said three have a 4.0 GPA, and many of the others have above a 3.6 as well.

"I think we're only going to see the numbers rise because it's a very busy season," she said.

Holland said the next biggest event is the Study Abroad Fair, which is from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Sept. 12 in the University Ballroom of the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union.

Robyn Dexter can be reached at 581-2812 or redexter@eiu.edu.

Knock Out



THE COMPETITION ADVERTISE IN THE DEN

CALL 581-2816

Announcements

Attention: If you are interested in selling cupcakes for fund-raising, contact Heavenly Delight Cakes at 235-4361. 8/31

For sale

Secluded, private 2500 square foot newer country home. Full finished basement. 5 bedrooms, 3 baths on 4 acres with pond. 1620 square foot shed. Cumberland county. 20 minutes from Mattoon, Charleston and Effingham. Call 618-407-1083. 9/10

Help wanted

Part-Time sales associate. Apply in person. Swanson Jewelers. 508 6th Street. 8/31
Part-time evening bartender. No experience necessary. Training provided. Apply in person at Down the Street, 105-109 Ashmore St, Ashmore IL. 8/31

Help wanted

Bartending! \$250/day potential. No experience necessary. Training available. 800-965-6520 ext 239. 12/10
Avon wants you! Easy earnings. \$10 startup. Call today. Marlene Brown-ing. 217-235-6634 12/10

Sublessors

Looking for female sublessor at the Millennium building. \$250 per month. Many amenities. Close to campus. Call (618)384-1606. 8/31
New, furnished apartment. 2 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms. 1 private bedroom and bathroom available. Security deposit and 1st 2 months have been paid. Free laundry and water. \$460/month. If interested call 847-234-3574. 8/31

For rent

Nice 4 bedroom close to campus. Central air, W/D. 345-7244 or 649-0651. 8/30
3 bedroom 2 bath one block to campus 217-345-9595
EIUStudentRentals.com 8/30
New 2 and 3 Bedroom dishwasher, re-frid, stove, washer/dryer, deck. 276-4509 8/31
2 BR apt, 1/2 block to Lantz, includes cable, internet @ \$325/person. www.woodrentals.com, 345-4489, Jim Wood, Realtor 9/7
1 person apt. includes cable, internet, water, trash @ \$440/month. www.woodrentals.com, 345-4489, Jim Wood, Realtor. 9/7
Wood Rentals, Jim Wood, Realtor, over 20 years experience. 345-4489. www.woodrentals.com 9/7

For rent

14000 square foot high cube warehouse for lease. 10 ton rolling crane. 3 truck docks. Offices. Mattoon, Illinois. Call 618-407-1083. 9/10
1,2,&3 bedroom units still available. Furnished and unfurnished. Clean, close to EIU. No pets. 345-7286. Williams Rentals. 9/15
EIUStudentRentals.com 217-345-9595 9/20
ONE AND TWO BEDROOM APARTMENTS. NICE! GREAT LOCATION. CLOSE TO CAMPUS. REASONABLE INCLUDES WATER, TRASH. 217-549-5624 9/20
FALL '12-'13: 1,2, & 3 BR APTS. BUCHANAN STREET APTS. CHECK US OUT AT BUCHANANST.COM OR CALL 345-1266. 9/20
3 BR apt available for 2 BR prices 2 BR apt available for 1 BR prices. Call Buchanan St. Apts 345-1266. Look up on www.BuchananSt.com 9/20

For rent

ONE OR TWO BEDROOM APARTMENTS AVAILABLE FOR SPRING 2013 SEMESTER. CALL OR TEXT (217)273-2048. 9/28
LARGE 2 BEDROOM APARTMENT CLOSE TO CAMPUS. ALL INCLUSIVE \$390 PER STUDENT. CALL OR TEXT (217)273-2048. 9/28
LARGE ONE BEDROOM APARTMENT STILL AVAILABLE FOR FALL 2012. ALL INCLUSIVE \$600 FOR SINGLE. CALL OR TEXT (217)273-2048. 9/28
ONE AND TWO BEDROOM APARTMENTS. NICE! GREAT LOCATION. CLOSE TO CAMPUS. REASONABLE INCLUDES WATER, TRASH. 217-549-5624 9/28
CURRENTLY AVAILABLE: 3 BED 1205 GRANT/ 2013-2014 1,2,3,4 BED 1812 9TH AND 3 BED 1205/1207 GRANT sammyrentals.com 348-0673/ 549-4011 9/28

For rent

QUIET 2 BR APTS 1305 18TH STR STOVE, REFRIGERATOR, MICROWAVE, TRASH PD 217-348-7746
WWW.CHARLESTONILAPTS.COM 9/30
2 BR APTS AT 2001 S 12TH STR STOVE, REFRIGERATOR, MICROWAVE, TRASH PD 217-348-7746
WWW.CHARLESTONILAPTS.COM 9/30
FALL 2012-VERY NICE HOUSE ON 12TH STREET CAMPUS SIDE. AWESOME LOCATION. LARGER BEDROOMS, A/C, WASHER/DRYER, DISHWASHER, LAWN SERVICE INCLUDED. (217) 549-9348. 8/31

ADVERTISE WITH
THE DEN!
581-2816

DO YOU LIKE
writing?
photography?
editing?
designing?
videography?
cartooning?
writing columns?
Work at the DEN!

Stop by the newsroom, 1811 Buzzard Hall,
or call 581-2812 to get involved.

The New York Times

Edited by Will Shortz

No. 0826

ACROSS

1 Like a snap

9 With 46-Down, strike zones

15 Kind of stew

16 Role Enrico Caruso was preparing for when he died

17 Eye openers?

18 He said "I never think I have finished a nude until I think I could pinch it"

19 Glossy scarf fabrics

20 Japanese mat

21 Well and good finish?

22 Like Hollywood

24 Landing place

26 Yardbird

27 "Here's Johnny!" memoirist

31 Line in the sand?

35 Give a hand

36 Think that just maybe one can

37 Put down in writing

39 Deep orangish hue

40 Take in

41 One code-named Renegade by the Secret Service

43 Hundred Years' War leader

46 Colonial group

50 A destroyer may be in one

51 "Forget I said that"

54 Like pupils that are too small

55 Big, purple Hanna-Barbera character

56 Take stock?

57 Go mano a mano

58 Discharges

59 Romulus and Remus, to Rhea Silvia

DOWN

1 1956 movie monster

2 What some dictators end up in

3 What may hold a world of information?

4 Good earth

5 Inside opening?

6 Like many ports

7 "Absolutely!"

8 "Absolutely!"

9 Rich dessert

10 Elite soldiers

11 Dollar store?

12 Show poor sportsmanship about, say

13 Waste

14 Like Life Savers

23 Cowboys compete in it: Abbr.

24 Tiny amount

25 Aid in gaining an edge

27 Start of the 16th century

28 "1984" activity

29 Played

30 Turns off

32 Very early 2-Down

33 Hardly seen at the Forum?

34 Sign of assent

38 E.R. status

39 "Goodbye, Columbus" co-star, 1969

42 Intelligent

43 ___ Oliver, a ka the Naked Chef

44 Certain foot specialist

45 Trivia quiz fodder

46 See 9-Across

47 Just ducky

48 Court gimme

49 Correction corrections

52 Language spoken on Pandora

53 Not settled

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE

S	E	N	S	E		F	O	O	D		B	S	M	T	
A	M	O	U	R		E	L	M	O		A	W	A	R	
S	C	R	E	A	M	E	D	A	T		S	I	S	I	
S	E	A	T		O	L	I	N		C	I	S	C	O	
Y	E	S		L	O	S	E		A	R	C	S			
			N	E	T			C	L	O	B	B	E	R	
E	A	S	E	S		S	H	E	S	A	L	A	D	Y	
K	N	O	W	S		H	U	R		T	A	N	I	A	
C	O	N	E	S	T	O	G	A		I	C	K	E	S	
O	N	A	D	A	R	E			D	A	K				
			T	I	L	E		S	P	I	N		E	S	C
R	A	I	T	T		W	E	E	P		E	X	P	O	
O	M	N	I		T	R	O	L	L	E	Y	C	A	R	
C	I	A	O		S	A	U	L		D	R	E	C	K	
A	S	S	N		K	Y	L	E		S	E	L	E	S	

For answers, call 1-900-285-5656, \$1.49 a minute; or, with a credit card, 1-800-814-5554. Annual subscriptions are available for the best of Sunday crosswords from the last 50 years: 1-888-7-ACROSS.
AT&T users: Text NYTX to 386 to download puzzles, or visit nytimes.com/mobilexword for more information.
Online subscriptions: Today's puzzle and more than 2,000 past puzzles, nytimes.com/crosswords (\$39.95 a year).
Share tips: nytimes.com/wordplay.
Crosswords for young solvers: nytimes.com/learning/xwords.

WOMEN’S RUGBY

Rugby team ready for fall season



Stefanie Mahan, a senior flanker, runs the ball at the Alumni Match Saturday at Lakeside Rugby Field. She finished last season with 181 solo tackles.

DOMINIC BAIMA | THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

By Nick Ruffolo
Staff Report

A program on the brink of extinction, women’s rugby takes to the pitch for the 2012 season with a new form of motivation.

It will look to hang on to its funding and prove to the Athletic Board that the campus needs its women’s rugby team.

It is hard to build on an undefeated season; but the women’s rugby squad will try to improve this time around.

This season features a shortened schedule with only two home games.

Lauren Doyle, the reigning leading scorer, returns for her senior season in which she looks to go out with a bang.

Doyle boasts a team-high in tries (20), runs over 20-yards (25) and points (170) from the 2011 season.

After leading the rugby squad in points over her first three seasons, she currently ranks second on the all-time list behind Samantha Manto.

If she continues her success, she could be among the all-time greats in NCAA Division 1 Women’s Rugby.

Although she is currently out with an injury, Stefanie Mahan continues to impress with her defensive efforts.

Her 2011 season included a team-high in tackles (68) and assisted tack-

les (19), along with strong consideration for her second straight Outstanding Defensive Award. Her 181 career tackles rank third on the all-time list, trailing Chase Cain by 70.

Nia Williams returns from a breakout season in her first year as the player to watch this season.

She has the skill-set to put up big numbers, and the tools to make a run for most improved player.

Williams boasts an athletic build combined with paralleled elusiveness and speed.

Look for Nia Williams to draw some attention in the upcoming season.

The game to watch is Eastern vs. Quinnipiac Sept. 1.

Not only is Quinnipiac the only other Division I women’s rugby squad in the nation, but this is the season and home opener for the Panthers.

It will be interesting to see how Coach Graziano and the team will respond to a shortened schedule and an injury to a key performer.

The Panthers will open up the regular season on Saturday against Quinnipiac. The game is slated to start at 1 p.m. at Lakeside Field.

Nick Ruffolo can be reached at 581-2812 or nfruffolo@eiu.edu

VOLLEYBALL

Panthers prepare for Oakland Invite

Volleyball looking to improve at tournament

By Anthony Catezone
Assistant Sports Editor

Heading into its second week of competition, the Eastern volleyball team is ready to take the court again after a successful first tournament.

Now it is time for the Panthers to take on Iowa, Oakland University and Toledo as they head to Rochester, Mich., Aug. 31-Sept.1 for the Oakland Invitational.

Friday, the Panthers will kick off the tournament by playing Iowa at 3:30 p.m.

Following that, they will clash with host Oakland on Saturday at 11 a.m. the Panthers will then see Toledo at 3:30 p.m. on Saturday to wrap up the invite.

The Panthers are coming off of a second place finish in the DePaul Invitational, leaving them with a 2-1 record thus far this season.

Other positive results from the DePaul Invitational saw freshman libero Stephanie Wallace named as a member of the All-

Tournament team.

After the DePaul Invitational, Coach Price and the Panthers felt they competed at a high level, but the fact that there was still room for improvement was a big positive.

“Yes, this weekend left us with several things we need to work on, and address in practice Monday,” Price said. “We need a more disciplined defense, and we also need to be better at making adjustments to opponents. Along with a long list of things and that is the best part, I thought we looked good and have the room to improve that

much more.”

The Panthers will be looking to that disciplined defense and making better adjustments in games against their opponents this weekend.

Eastern’s first opponent, Iowa, currently holds a 3-1 record after hosting the Hawkeye Challenge.

They come with wins over Chicago State, South Dakota State and Valparaiso. Their lone loss was at the hands of Southeast Missouri State.

The Oakland Golden Grizzlies come in at 0-3 after competing in the Kansas State Tournament last weekend.

Each of the Golden Grizzlies’ three losses came as straight set sweeps, as they lost to Oregon State, 22nd ranked Kansas State and UC Irvine all 3-0.

The final opponents the Panthers will face in the tournament, is 1-2 Toledo.

In the Ohio State Sports Imports Classic, the Rockets were able edge Houston in a five-set battle, and then fell to 20th ranked Oregon and 24th ranked Ohio State.

Anthony Catezone can be reached at 581-2812 or ajcatezone@eiu.edu.

Check out the
DEN news online!

www.dennews.com



Blogs
Sports
Videos
Stories


Podcasts




**Space
for
sale**



Make contact
with the DEN at
217-581-2816



HOT-N-READY
LARGE PEPPERONI PIZZA



\$5.00
per box


CHARLESTON
3 WEST LINCOLN AVE
345-4743
Sunday-Thursday 11AM-11PM
Friday & Saturday 11AM-Midnight

VISA
Mastercard
Amex

No need to call...HOT,
FRESH, Ready to go!!!
ALL DAY!!! EVERYDAY!!!

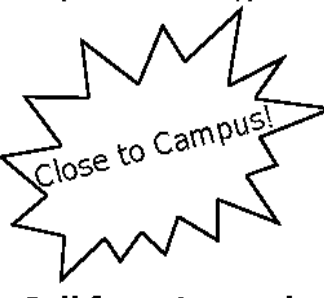
Good Luck Panthers!

GOT ADS?



**OPENINGS
STILL
AVAILABLE**

1, 2, & 3 person rates:
* **Park Place Apartments**
(7th and Grant)
* **Royal Heights Apts.**
(Behind Subway)



**Call for rates and
appointments!**
217-348-1479
www.tricountymg.com

WOMEN'S SOCCER

Finding a home away from home

Canadian player makes adjustments to new school, area

By Dominic Renzetti
Staff Reporter

Freshman soccer player Karlee Deacon isn't just new to Eastern, she's new to the United States.

Deacon, a midfielder for Summer Perala's Panthers, hails from Kitchener, Ontario, Canada.

She says things are going great, but she has a small problem: no phone.

"The hardest thing is not being able to talk to my friends and family back home because the cell phones and everything doesn't work here," Deacon said. "I haven't had time to go get a new phone. The only way I can talk to my parents is at night, after practice, after classes, after everything. After like, 9:00, all we have contact is like, Skype. That's probably the hardest."

Deacon's adjusting to Eastern well, but with her schedule of class,

practice and matches, she rarely gets to go home.

Luckily for her, she'll be able to head home for the first time this Thanksgiving break.

"I thought I wouldn't get to go home until Christmas, but at this school you get a whole week for Thanksgiving, and I was so happy when I found that out," she said. "I'm going to go home with a teammate because she lives in Detroit, which is about halfway to where I live, so she's going to drive me there, and my parents are going to pick me up there, so I'm going to go home for Thanksgiving. I'm so excited."

Deacon found her way to Charleston through head coach Summer Perala, who she met at a soccer camp.

Deacon said after working with Perala, she liked her coaching style and personality, and when Perala recruited her to join the Panthers, she accepted.

"I was in her group for one of the drills, and she talked to me, asked me all kinds of questions, and the next day, I checked my emails and

there was a big email from her," she said. "Ever since then, we just kind of hit it off, and I really liked her personality and how she coached."

Deacon still misses parts of home, though. She says she misses her family, friends, and Tim Hortons.

"I miss Tim Horton's. I used to work there, and I used to go there everyday," she said.

Deacon's hometown of Kitchener, where she'll be heading back to in November, is just outside the city of Stratford, the home of another notable Canadian around her age.

"Justin Bieber, he's from Stratford, and I'm from Kitchener, so it's like a 20 minute drive, so, some of my friends know him, and he actually played soccer," she said. "One of my good friends played against him, and Selena Gomez was at the game. He's not that good."

Dominic Renzetti can be reached at 581-2812 or dcrenzetti@eiu.edu.



DOMINIC BAIMA | THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

Freshman Karlee Deacon dribbles the ball down the field during Fridays game against Northern Iowa at Lakeside field. The Panthers lost the game 2-1 in double overtime.

FOOTBALL

Panthers provide powerful defense

Eastern faces off against SIU-C; begins new season

By Jordan Pottorff
Sports Editor

The Panthers will begin the Dino Babers era today against in-state rival Southern Illinois University-Carbondale. Eastern is set to unveil a new up-tempo style of play that will have both the offense and defense playing at a very brisk pace.

Having already previewed both Southern and Eastern's offensive attacks it's time to preview the two teams defensive players.

By the Numbers – Defensive Preview

On defense, Eastern and Southern match up fairly well with one another. Both teams return the majority of its starters from the previous season, and both teams boast all-conference preseason selections.

For Eastern, its top returning defensive player is senior defensive end Artavious Dowdell. Dowdell is coming off of an impressive junior season, recording 45 tackles and a team-best five sacks. His presence is what fuels the Panthers defense, and the coaching staff is expecting an even bigger impact from Dowdell this season.

"Artavious Dowdell, our defensive end, is one of the premier defensive ends in our league," head coach Dino Babers said. "We expect great things from Dowdell, but it's a brand new year and we want all 11 guys to step up and be the key to this game and our season on defense."

The Panthers also have a number

of other players that will be key contributors this season. On the defensive line, the Panthers return all four starters from last season as seniors Pat Wertz, Greg Mahan and Roosevelt Holliday will team up with Dowdell to anchor the defensive line.

Although Eastern has experience returning upfront, it will start three linebackers that have no starting experience. Sophomores Adam Gristick and Robert Haynes will pair up with junior transfer LeQuince McCall to form the linebacker core. McCall followed Babers to Eastern from Baylor, and beat out junior Antonio Taylor to earn the starting position. Taylor was Eastern's top returning tackler, recording 92 stops in 2011.

In the secondary, Eastern will feature four players that have starting experience.

Junior Pete Houlihan and redshirt sophomore D.J. Bland will get the season opening start at cornerback against the Salukis. Bland recorded 46 tackles and broke up three passes in 2011. Houlihan also recorded solid stats last season, recording 29 tackles.

The starting safety positions will be filled by juniors Nick Beard and Alex McNulty. Beard posted 69 tackles and six pass deflections while McNulty compiled 43 tackles with four coming for a loss of yards.

For Southern, its defense will be anchored by seniors Kayon Swanson and Kenneth Boatright.

Swanson, a Preseason All-Conference selection, is coming off of an impressive junior season where he recorded a team-best 52 tackles with 9 ½ of those coming for loss.

Boatright, also a Preseason All-Conference selection, is coming off of an equally impressive junior year, posting a team-leading 13 ½ tackles for loss and 6

½ sacks. Boatright was also listed as the 86th-best NFL prospect in the FCS by Phil Steele Magazine earlier in the preseason.

"That young man (Boatright) can stop the run, and the pressure he puts on the quarterback coming off the edge makes him someone you have to know where he is lined up every play," Babers said. "Jimmy (Garoppolo) will certainly be looking for where he is at, and our offensive line and our tackles know who he is. He plays with a great motor and is a good football player."

Two other Salukis were named to preseason watch lists in their respective positions as senior linebackers Joe Okon and Jayson DiManche were both named to the College Football Performance Awards linebacker watch list. Okon is coming off of a junior season that had him recording 49 tackles with 6 ½ of them coming for loss. DiManche also posted an impressive junior year, recording 42 tackles with 10 ½ coming for loss, three sacks, one interception and two forced fumbles.

In the secondary, the Salukis will feature junior cornerback Terrell Wilson. He is the lone returning starter in the secondary, but is coming off of a solid season that had him tallying 50 tackles and two pass deflections last season.

Joining Wilson in the secondary will be Florida International transfer Emmanuel Souarin and Clemson transfer Carlton Lewis. UCLA transfer Anthony Thompson will also see time in the secondary this season.

The Panthers will begin a new era of football when it hosts the Southern Illinois Salukis at 6:30 p.m. at O'Brien Field.

Jordan Pottorff can be reached at 581-2812 or jbpottorff@eiu.edu

COLUMN

Director adds to program

By Alex McNamee
Staff Reporter

Amid all of the hype surrounding these three new head coaches for Eastern athletics, one aspect of the overhaul has been forgotten – the pressure on the athletic director.

There are several positive things these coaches have brought to their programs since stepping foot on campus, but nobody has played a game yet.

Dino Babers promised an up-tempo offense and a defense that flies sideline to sideline, oozing with energy. At first glance, he's delivered with freshmen like running back Bobby Huey and defensive end Tyler Paulsen – both from Texas.

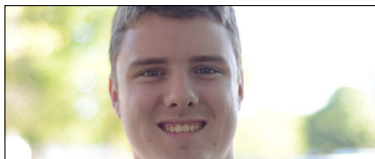
Jay Spoonhour is trying to erase the frustration fans felt with former head coach Mike Miller. He's brought in some talent, including Reggie Smith from Nevada-Las Vegas (also, formerly of Marquette). However, let's not ignore the fact that the program lost an asset in Darius Smith, a talented guard who transferred into Miller's program from Connecticut.

Lee Buchanan walks into the most familiar territory. He's kept the same team, after former head coach Brady Sallee made the leap to Ball State in a bigger conference.

Athletic director Barbara Burke hired all three of these coaches in a matter of months – Babers in December, Spoonhour in April and Buchanan in May.

Now, Burke has placed her stake on the athletic program by hiring three coaches from arguably the three biggest sports on campus.

The pressure is on whether the athletic department wants to recognize the elephant in the room or not. Athletic directors have always been and will always be judged on the coaches they hire



Alex McNamee

to run their top programs and those coaches' results.

As unfair as that sounds, it's true – Burke understands that. It's the same as those three coaches being judged on how 18 to 22-year-olds perform, which will happen.

Some will say a successful athletic department is one that has successful coaches and in turn can retain those coaches. There is no reason why that statement wouldn't be true, but the majority of Eastern's head coaches certainly aren't Burke's, so to speak.

They are, say, former athletic director Richard McDuffie's because he hired some of them. Like Sallee, for example, he was McDuffie's guy because McDuffie hired him. McDuffie struck gold with that hire, but hires don't work out all the time.

Burke may not have hired Bob Spoo, but he wasn't shy in his final few years as a football coach saying Burke was the best athletic director he ever worked for.

This column might be four months late, but the idea hasn't changed. Burke will have to live and die by the success of the coaches she hired for three of her top programs.

She'll have to prove that, even in his old age, Spoo wasn't wrong, and that she is the best athletic director Spoo and many other coaches have ever had.

Alex McNamee can be reached at 581-2812 or admcnamee@eiu.edu