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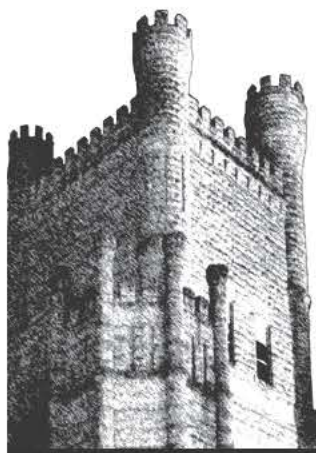
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Craig Hunt of Champaign holds up the advertisement for his campaign placed more than 35 years ago. Hunt served as a senate member of Eastern's Student Government from 1979 until 1980.

Alums find college politics beneficial

BY LAUREN MOORE
STUDENT GOVERNMENT EDITOR

Craig Hunt of Champaign shuffles through old newspaper articles, advertisements and campaign pins, and memories play out in his mind of his experience on Eastern's Student Government.

Hunt, who served on Student Government from 1979 to 1980, said he originally wasn't planning on being involved with the organization, but he thought he could bring a lot to it because he was a part of the Greek community.

"Student Government can have an impact on the community, and (students) need to use that to their advantage."

CRAIG HUNT, EASTERN ALUM

did help that I was known in the Greek community because then I knew who to talk to.

"I knew a lot of people involved in Student Activities and Administration, so I did whatever I could to get the students' opinions across to those people."

Hunt said his parents kept all the newspaper articles, advertisements and letters he had been given during his involvement in Student Government.

"I had been the president of my pledge class, a Sigma Pi officer, treasurer, vice president and president of Interfraternity Council," Hunt said. "There was a big controversy over the number of senators-at-large at that time."

He said he brought a lot to the organization since he didn't have any "preconceived ideas of what to accomplish."

"If I thought something would benefit the students, I would support it," Hunt said. "I feel it

COUNCIL ON UNIVERSITY PLANNING AND BUDGET

Blair Hall opening postponed

Delivery, construction delays push opening back to Spring

BY KAYLA CROW
ADMINISTRATION EDITOR

Because of a delay in the delivery of building materials, the opening of Blair Hall has been postponed until late March or early April.

The announcement was made at Friday's Council on University Planning and Budget meeting that contractors who are working on the building said a delay in deliveries had slowed down progress. They are still awaiting the delivery of the fire doors for the stairwells and carpet for the third floor.

The trim on the second floor of the

building is also awaiting completion. Furniture cannot be moved onto the floor until the trim is complete.

After construction is completed, furniture will be brought in.

Eastern President Lou Hencken said the opening will be worth the wait for the faculty and staff members who will move back into the building.

"I do believe you are going to be impressed," he said.

The contractors and administration said they are hesitant to give an exact opening date for the building because the supplies have to travel across the country and could run into bad weather or other unexpected

delays. However, the administration intends to have the building, which was damaged by a fire in spring 2004, open before graduation this spring.

Hencken said the administration wants the building open before seniors graduate, so students who started their studies in the building can see it completed.

"(It will be) open during spring so seniors can see inside," he said.

The CUPB also discussed the progress of construction on the Doudna Fine Arts Center. The foundation for the theater has been poured, and electrical work has begun

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DAVID MENDOZA/THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

Beijing State's Attorney Li Sun responds to questions while Coles County Circuit Judge Gary Jacobs listens Friday afternoon during the informal forum "Contrast of the American and Chinese Judicial System" in the Charleston-Mattoon Room of the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union.

Chinese judges discuss U.S. court system

BY BRIAN GARTLAN
STAFF REPORTER

Judges from the Chinese judicial system visited Eastern Friday afternoon to discuss the differences between Chinese and American judicial systems.

The Illinois 5th Circuit Court (Coles County), as well as Eastern's Public Policy Institute, held the informal forum called "Contrast of American and Chinese Judicial Systems" in front of more than 50 people.

Questions about Chinese

culture quietly stirred in the audience, and anticipation buzzed prior to the presentation as students, members of faculty and people of the community quickly filled the Charleston-Mattoon Room of the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union.

The officials on the panel, which included one Chinese prosecutor and four judges, answered questions from the crowd through a translator, while Coles County Circuit Judge Gary Jacobs simplified some of the lengthy questions

to help the discussion run more smoothly.

One audience member asked the panel to compare the two systems and the different selection processes.

Judges in the United States are either appointed or elected, and Supreme Court justices have life-long terms.

Dongmei Lou, a judge from Beijing, said the Chinese court nominates judges who are not elected by the people.

"All of these judges said they'll accept a life appointment," Jacobs said, jokingly.

Lou said selecting a judge is one of the most interesting aspects of American law.

"We want to learn something from (the United States)," she said. "China has a high interest in how (the United States) selects their judges."

Discussion included how the legal system in China has changed in the past 20 years, if at all.

"China is a developing country, and it is facing a challenging opportunity," said Li Sun,

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Math Cribbage

The game of Cribbage can assist teachers in their methods of teach-

ing elementary mathematics, a method Claire Krukenberg intends to pass on to others at a Math Energy meeting at 7 p.m. tonight in the University Ballroom of the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union.

Attendees should bring a deck of cards marked with their name. Registration begins at 6:30 p.m. The cost is \$6 to become a member. Checks should be made out to ICTM and NCTM.

How to work WebCT

Faculty, staff and graduate assistants can learn the file manager, course content and calendar aspects of WebCT at a free technology workshop at 2 p.m. today in the CATS training lab in McAfee Room 1214. Attendees will get hands-on experience learning different program components and can bring a disk containing html files to use for workshop activities, although some will be provided. Participants must have some familiarity with Windows and WebCT.

COLLEGE & UNIVERSITY NEWS

Comet dust could show clues of past

BY KIMBERLY HUEBNER
THE BATTALION (TEXAS A&M)

COLLEGE STATION, Texas - Science may soon hold a better understanding of the solar system's origins after researchers analyze particles collected through the Stardust project.

The Stardust capsule captured interstellar and comet dust during a voyage through space. The capsule parachuted back to Earth on Sunday, landing in the Utah desert. It was then taken to NASA's Johnson Space Center in Houston.

"After seven years and almost 2.9 million miles in the harsh environment of space, the Stardust capsule is back on Earth, is back home and is in our hands," said Andy Dantzler, director of NASA's Solar System Exploration Division.

Pa. officials blast schools for not reporting crimes

BY SARAH GOLDFARB
DAILY COLLEGIAN (PENN STATE)

UNIVERSITY PARK, Pa. - At least three Pennsylvania universities have recently come under fire for

shoddy campus crime-reporting practices, but officials say students shouldn't worry about the numbers at Pennsylvania State University.

After an investigation by The Philadelphia Inquirer showed more sexual assaults and burglaries had occurred at West Chester University than were reported to the U.S. Department of Education, the university was forced to revise the original figures.

The legislation says police have to report offenses on property and public areas adjacent to the campus, Kline said.

IT'S HAMMER TIME



ERIC HILTNER/THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

Sophomore thrower Ryan Bennet throws the 35 lb. weight during Saturday's Mega Meet in the Lantz Field House. Bennet won the event with a throw of 45'04.00".

WTF?

Woman claims sundae was tainted with blood

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

GEORGETOWN, Del. (AP) - A woman filed a lawsuit claiming that a hot fudge sundae she bought for her 12-year-old son was contaminated with human blood, but the owner of a fast-food franchise says the red substance was really just strawberry syrup.

A Superior Court judge was scheduled to hear arguments Friday in a lawsuit filed by Carmen Jara against AJM Enterprises, which operates a McDonald's restaurant in Georgetown.

According to court documents, Jara bought food, including four hot fudge sundaes, at the restaurant's drive-thru window on Dec. 30, 2004.

Her son, now 13, dug into his sundae and "recognized the taste of blood and, upon careful inspection, noted a red substance on the side of the sundae cup as well as mixed into

TODAY'S EVENTS

Registration deadlines

4 p.m. | Deadline to withdraw from classes, to reduce load and be eligible for refund of tuition and fees, deadline to drop a course with no grade and deadline to submit credit/no credit requests.

Office of registration

Deadline for Insurance refund

4:30 p.m. | Deadline to request insurance refund if equal coverage (financial aid)

Office of registration

W-2 pickup

8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. | W 2s will be distributed to students, graduate assistants and other employee groups. Photo ID is required.



EARLY HEADLINES

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GRANT SPEEDS UP DRIVER EDUCATION TECHNOLOGY

Program receives money from local insurance company to purchase simulators

By JESSICA CANTARELLI
CAMPUS EDITOR

The Driver Education Program celebrated the arrival of eight new simulators as the latest addition to the department Friday morning, thanks to a \$5,000 donation from State Farm Insurance Agency.

Money from the Health Studies department and the university also contributed to the purchase, which is meant to assist college students who wish to teach Driver Education.

Robert Bates, chairman of the Health Studies department, said the State Farm donation would not have been possible without Janette Wilson, the department secretary.

Wilson told Stan McMorris, an agent with State Farm Insurance, about the need for new simulators in the department. McMorris then contacted the State Farm Foundation and communicated with them until the grant was received.

"Driving accidents is the leading killer of young people today," McMorris said. "Being a leader in insurance, State Farm wants to be a part in reducing the number of driving accidents and deaths."

McMorris has been with State Farm for the last 36 years and has been a guest instructor at high schools and colleges for more than 35 years.

"This is something very dear to me, to have something like this done," McMorris said.

The Driver Education Department came to Eastern in the mid-60s, and the same simulator equipment has been used since the late-70s, Bates said.

Unlike the prior equipment, which left the department technologically overdue, the new equipment has moved the department forward 20 years, Bates said.

Before the new simulators arrived, it was difficult to use different driving scenes as practice. Now, with a laser disc system, there is much more flexibility.

"It helps us better prepare our students, which is our No. 1



DAVID MENDOZA/THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

Eastern's administration stands around State Farm agent Stan McMorris, seated center, in the Health Studies driver education simulator system room Friday morning in Lantz Arena. McMorris presented a check to the Driver Education program for \$5,000.

goal," Bates said. "It's our responsibility as educators to develop the skills and perceptions and walk them through the procedures."

Bates thinks in order to be an effective instructor, the experiences in the classroom will help students gain the necessary skills and put them to work in their own classrooms one day.

"What we try to instill in them is the confidence to know they can do it," he said. "Simulation allows practice. We can now have eight students practice at once instead of one at a

time."

Bates marks the receiving of the new simulators as a time in his career he will never forget.

"It's very rewarding to be able to make it happen," Bates said. "It's very neat on a personal level."

President Lou Hencken tried out the new simulators.

"It's certainly a generous gift," Hencken said. "It helps us to educate people who go out and teach high school students proper ways to drive."

Local center helps people cope with domestic violence attacks

By HOLLIE DOHERTY
STAFF REPORTER

Central Illinois has hope for men and women who are dealing with domestic violence. The Coalition Against Domestic Violence provides everything victims of domestic violence need, from a roof over their heads to food and counseling for no fee.

Domestic violence can be portrayed as both physical, verbal and emotional abuse. Beating, slapping and punching are considered domestic violence, along with being criticized for dress, quality of meals and choice of friends and being pressured or manipulated by an abuser.

According to the coalition's national Web site, one woman is beaten by her

husband or partner every 15 seconds in the United States. Also, about one out of every four women is likely to be abused by a partner in her lifetime.

"Coalition Against Domestic Violence provides orders of protection and programs for the victims for both adults and children," said Pauline Cade, director of the Central Illinois center of the coalition in Charleston.

Police, friends and families can refer victims to the center for help. The center then picks and chooses who it works with by listening to each victim's story.

In 2004, the coalition's emergency shelter that encompasses Central Illinois was home to 360 victims and 72 children. The shelter also helped out 84 other children. There were 679 female

clients and 83 male clients - an 86 percent difference.

The Central Illinois center has a very good reputation and is known for always helping the victims in need, Cade said.

"More and more people are becoming brave to come into the center for help," Cade said.

Women and men going through domestic violence could respond in several ways.

After an attack, victims should seek medical attention immediately by contacting a doctor and having pictures taken of their injuries. They need to make a police report, and if possible, this should be done within 24 hours of the abuse. All

Domestic abuse statistics:

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- ◆ One out of every four women is likely to be abused by a partner in her lifetime

What to do during an attack:

- ◆ Move to a room where there is access to an exit
- ◆ Stay away from bathrooms, kitchens or any rooms that may have objects that could be used as weapons
- ◆ Call for help while trying to get near a phone to call 911
- ◆ Seek medical attention immediately afterward
- ◆ Contact a doctor and have pictures taken of the injuries.

evidence should be saved for reference.

By calling a free domestic abuse hotline, victims can talk to a counselor or other professional for help. Many agencies provide services at a

reduced cost or for free.

The 24-hour, toll-free crisis line is 1-888-345-3990. Victims can also contact the center by e-mail at more@worthlink.net or by business line at 217-348-5931.

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COMMENTARY



BRIAN O'MALLEY
OPINIONS PAGE EDITOR

MYSTERIOUS GRAVE VISITOR KEEPS POE'S LEGACY ALIVE

The other day I read an Associated Press story on the internet about a mysterious man who supposedly visits the grave of Edgar Allan Poe in Baltimore every year on Jan. 19, Poe's birthday.

The man visits the cemetery called the Old Western Burial Ground (yes, that's the real name) with a bottle of cognac and three red roses and places them on the gravesite.

According to the article, he's been doing this for 57 years. No one knows who he is, and it should probably stay that way.

Whoever this guy is, he truly knows how to pay tribute to someone. The man obviously cares for Poe and his writings enough to make the tribute a part of his year.

First of all, just the idea of mysteriously placing an item on someone's grave every year is very intriguing. The article said he usually enters the cemetery around 1 a.m., and he dresses in dark clothes with his face covered in a scarf.

The cemetery is obviously closed at that time and people that come to watch the man pay his tribute say they still don't know how he enters the cemetery. Jeff Jerome, curator of the Baltimore Edgar Allan Poe House near the

cemetery, gathers a group of people every year to watch the Poe visitor make his tribute. He's been doing this since 1976, according to the AP article.

The visit to Poe's grave is obviously

not about making the news. The most anyone knows about the guy is that he might be the son of the man who started the ritual in 1949. The AP article quoted Jerome as saying the mystery man left a note one year which read something along the lines of "the passing of the torch."

I'm sure this Poe fan felt Poe impacted his life, so he decided to thank him with a yearly birthday visit. And if he cared enough to ask his son to keep the tribute going, it shows even more respect for Poe.

This story couldn't help but make me think about the people that have impacted my life and how great of a tribute this Poe fan has conjured up. In his efforts, he makes a point that you can remember and thank someone for eternity if you care enough to make the effort.

It also makes me think about how great it would be when I die to have a fan of mine visit my grave every year on my birthday.

In a book titled "Beyond the Grave," Troy Taylor talks about the mystery man and how, since this story has gotten out, that people have tried to either prevent him from paying his tribute or have tried messing with him somehow. Jerome said if he has his way, the mystery man's identity will never be known.

I give Jerome credit for having that mentality. As the Poe house curator, he obviously respects Poe as much as anyone. I'm sure he would like to talk to the guy more than anyone would, but he knows enough to let the guy go about his business.

It is definitely a fantastic tribute and a great way to keep someone you care about alive.

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EDITORIAL CARTOON BY RICH LAKEBERG



EDITORIAL

Make it three NFL head coaches

It isn't too often an Eastern Illinois student, faculty member or graduate can turn to the sports page of the *Chicago Tribune* and see the lead story focus on their school.

But then again, it isn't too often that a school, any school, can boast about three current NFL head coaches tracing their collegiate experience back to the same school. But Eastern can boast of exactly that with the recent hirings of Sean Payton of the New Orleans Saints and Brad Childress of the Minnesota Vikings. These two first-year coaches will join Denver Broncos' head coach of 11 years, Mike Shanahan, to form Eastern's head coaching triumvirate in the NFL.

This is something to boast about. The football program at Eastern can now look at possible recruits and talk about the NFL experience that surrounds this program.

Payton still has his name etched alongside 11 Eastern records, and Shanahan was an offensive coordinator with Eastern back in the 1970s. Childress has a little less of a tie to Eastern because he didn't hold a position in Eastern athletics, but he did graduate from the school after transferring from University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign.

The name recognition that will go with these three coaches and Eastern is impressive considering there are only two other universities in the nation that has ties to three current coaches in the NFL.

At issue

Eastern becomes the third university in the country to have ties to three NFL head coaches.

Our stance

Eastern should be proud to produce three NFL head coaches. The fact that three Eastern alumni all made their way to head coaching jobs is a large compliment to the university. Only two other schools hold the honor of producing three NFL head coaches.

One of those schools, University of Southern California, just happens to be one of the best collegiate football programs in America. The other school, San Diego State, is another Division I-A football program. The unique aspect of Eastern being among that group is it is a Division I-AA program that hasn't won a national championship since 1978.

The fact that Eastern can stand next to these schools in terms of coaches speaks for itself. It is a matter of respect and proves the football program at Eastern is indeed solid and has been in good hands over its recent history.

These three head coaches aren't the only ones who have made it to the NFL as coaches hailing from Eastern. Mike Heimerdinger is the offensive coordinator of the New York Jets, John

Teerlinck is the defensive line coach of the Indianapolis Colts and Randy Melvin is an assistant with the Cleveland Browns.

This kind of representation in the NFL should signify just how solid the Eastern football program has been recently. Even though their coaching exploits haven't resulted in a national championship at Eastern, it should reassure followers of the team the program has been in good hands for some time now.

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

YOUR TURN: LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

PARKING RESTRICTIONS SHOULD BE SAME FOR ALL

Recently, one of my friends parked his car with the hazard lights on outside a building on campus. He was in the building for only a matter of minutes. Upon exiting the building, my friend witnessed an EIU Police Officer issuing him a parking citation. Granted, the area was marked with signs reading "No Parking Fire Lane \$75 Fine." However, in front of my friend's vehicle were two trucks and behind it were three trucks, all with the

"Eastern Illinois University" emblem on the doors. Since this incident, I have observed several other university vehicles parked in fire lanes across campus, sometimes for hours at a time.

I am not in favor of students parking in fire lanes, nor am I defending my friend. However, I do not believe it is right for officers to issue tickets to students while university vehicles are clearly guilty of the same violation. Isn't the purpose of a fire lane to allow room for a rescue vehicle in case of emergency? How can a fire truck use the fire lane if five full

size trucks are blocking the area? Of course, ticketing a university vehicle would not make sense. However, it seems quite hypocritical that students must shell out \$75 for a crime that a university employee can commit for free. A solution to this problem is to prohibit any vehicle from parking in fire lanes on campus. After all, a university vehicle and a student's vehicle are equally effective in blocking a fire lane.

KELLY BOEGER

GRAD STUDENT, FAMILY AND CONSUMER SCIENCES

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STATE NEWS

Obama calls corruption of convicted lobbyist a Republican scandal

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

CHICAGO — U.S. Sen. Barack Obama said Sunday that while the problem of money and politics is bipartisan, the corruption surrounding convicted lobbyist Jack Abramoff is a Republican scandal.

Appearing on NBC's "Meet the Press," the Illinois Democrat called the Abramoff issue and the K Street Project, an initiative backed by former House Majority Leader Tom DeLay, R-Texas, that pressured lobbying firms to hire Republicans and fund GOP causes, a "Republican sin."

"The specific problem of inviting lobbyists in who have bundled huge sums of money to write legislation ... those are very particular problems of this administration and this Congress," he said.

Both parties have been motivated by the Abramoff scandal, in which the once powerful lobbyist and his clients provided gifts, expensive meals and golf trips to lawmakers,

"I think it's a bipartisan scandal because the lobbying is out of control."

SEN. JOHN MCCAIN

mainly Republicans, and have pledged to make lobbying ethics a top issue when Congress resumes a full schedule next month.

Congressional Democrats proposed a ban last week on all gifts and travel paid for by lobbyists. The proposal came a day after Republicans also outlined their own lobbying ethics legislation.

Obama, who last week became a Democratic Senate spokesman for ethics reform, suggested creating an office of public integrity that would have the ability to track and monitor lobbying rules.

"There has to be some mechanism that is not subject to politics

that can oversee how we are operating," he said.

U.S. Sen. Dick Durbin, D-Ill., suggested on "Fox News Sunday" that in order to squash the corruption that stems from lobbying, campaigns must be made affordable so lawmakers don't have to rely on lobbyists to raise money.

"Until we make campaigns affordable then we are going to have too many members of Congress out rattle the cup with special interest groups," the Senate Democratic Whip said.

Sen. John McCain, who also appeared on "Fox News Sunday" said, "I think it's a bipartisan scandal because the lobbying is out of control."

The Arizona Republican also renewed his criticism of "earmarks," the last-minute additions to bills that provide money for lawmakers' pet projects.

He said if Congress does not fix the earmarking, corruption will continue.



CHUCK KENNEDY/KRT

Government officials outline their approach to cleaning up the tainted relationship between lawmakers and lobbyists on Wednesday during an event at the Library of Congress on Capitol Hill in Washington, D.C.

Man charged in student's death found in contempt after outburst

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

BLOOMINGTON — A series of outbursts, some laced with profanity, landed Maurice Wallace a three-month jail sentence before his trial date was even set in last fall's slaying of a 21-year-old Illinois State University student.

Wallace, who spit on the floor during a court appearance two weeks ago, was found guilty of contempt Friday after cursing at a judge and repeatedly interrupting a routine hearing in McLean County Circuit Court.

After ignoring warnings from Judge Scott Drazewski, Wallace was ordered from the courtroom three times and spent the last 15 minutes of his hearing in a separate room lis-

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tening to the proceedings through speakers.

"Like it was going to make a big difference, me being out there," Wallace said as deputies led him from the courtroom the final time.

Wallace, 27, of Normal has pleaded not guilty in the slaying of 21-year-old Olamide Adeyoye, whose charred remains were found Oct. 21 in the rubble of a Mississippi chicken house that had burned four days earlier.

Priest charged with sexual abuse for allegedly fondling two boys

CHICAGO — A 37-year-old Roman Catholic priest was charged Saturday with sexual abuse for allegedly fondling two boys at a West Side church, prosecutors said.

Authorities arrested Daniel McCormack on Friday night in the Chicago suburb of Orland

Hills, and prosecutors charged him with two counts of aggravated criminal sexual abuse, said Cook County state's attorney spokesman John Gorman.

McCormack, a priest at St. Agatha church, allegedly fondled one of the victims, an 8-year-old boy, on two occasions in December 2003, Gorman said. McCormack also told the boy not to tell anyone and gave him gifts.

From September 2001 through January 2005, McCormack also abused another boy who was between the ages of 9 and 12 at the time, prosecutors alleged.

The Archdiocese of Chicago received information about an allegation involving McCormack and reported it to authorities, said archdiocese spokeswoman Dianne Dunagan. McCormack has been "temporarily removed" and has not been near the parish for some time, she said.

Unemployed sushi chef stabs teenage stepdaughter to death

NORTHFIELD— An unemployed South

Korean sushi chef was accused Saturday of stabbing his teenage stepdaughter to death with a butcher knife after she refused to let him into the family's suburban Chicago apartment.

Jong B. Lee, 41, was charged with first-degree murder on Friday.

Lee apparently became upset when he found the door to his Northfield Township home locked early Friday morning after a dispute with his wife and 15-year-old stepdaughter, Won Hye Weon, authorities said.

When Weon denied Lee entry into the apartment, he kicked in a door, grabbed a butcher knife and stabbed the girl to death, Cook County sheriff's officials said.

Neighbors called 911 after hearing screams, authorities said.

Weon, a sophomore at Glenbrook South High School in Glenview, was found by officers lying on the floor with multiple stab wounds, Cook County Sheriff Michael F. Sheahan said.

"She was very quiet and had a brilliant mind," said one teacher in a statement from the high school.

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Miss Oklahoma Jennifer Berry crowned Miss America in Las Vegas

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LAS VEGAS – Under the glitzy lights of the Las Vegas casino, a 22-year-old ballerina from Oklahoma was crowned Miss America, but officials hope the problem-plagued pageant will be the real winner.

The pageant was held in Las Vegas for the first time in a bid to revive interest after years of declining interest from its long-time base in Atlantic City, N.J. Without coverage from a major television network for the first time since 1954, it aired on Country Music Television.

Even the new Miss America, University of Oklahoma student Jennifer Berry, said she hoped to help the scholarship organization by creating interest and marketing it to a younger crowd, 18-34.

“I hope to have sponsors knocking on our door,” Berry said after winning the crown Saturday night. She also earned a \$30,000 college scholarship and a yearlong speaking tour.

Jury recommends life in prison for Case Western Reserve University shooter

CLEVELAND – A jury on Sunday recommended life in prison without parole for a former graduate student who killed another student and wounded two others during a seven-hour siege inside Case Western Reserve University’s business school.

Biswanath Halder was convicted last month of killing Norman Wallace during the 2003 shooting spree and standoff.

He could have received the death penalty, but the jury rejected the ultimate sentence during two days of deliberations. Judge Peggy Foley Jones, who must formally decide Halder’s fate, put off sentencing until Feb. 17.

Psychologists had testified that Halder is sane but delusional, and his attorneys argued that the 65-year-old’s life should be spared because he is mentally ill. Defense attorneys acknowledged he was the gunman.

“We’re just happy they (the jury) fell on the side of giving him life,” defense attorney Kevin Cafferkey said. “But he will serve the rest of life in prison and will never, ever leave a jail cell.”

Terri Schiavo’s husband marries longtime girlfriend after wife’s death in March

SAFETY HARBOR, Fla. – Michael Schiavo, whose brain-damaged wife was at the center of a contentious end-of-life battle that played out on a worldwide media stage, has remarried, family members said.

Schiavo married his longtime girlfriend Jodi Centonze on Saturday in a private church ceremony, said John Centonze, the brother of the bride.

Schiavo’s former wife, Terri, died in March after her feeding tube was removed. She had suffered irreversible brain damage after collapsing at age 26 in 1990.

Terri Schiavo’s parents and siblings fought for years to keep her alive, arguing that she had some level of consciousness. Florida Gov. Jeb Bush, the U.S. Supreme Court, Congress, the White House and even the Vatican became involved in the case.

WORLD NEWS



PATRICIA CROOKER/KRT

New Bolivian President Evo Morales (left), the country’s first indigenous president and former coca farmer, stands next to Slovenia President Janez Drnovsek Sunday on the balcony of the Government Palace after Morales in La Paz, Bolivia.

Bolivia’s first Indian president takes office in historic ceremony

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

LA PAZ, Bolivia – Evo Morales, Bolivia’s first Indian president, took office on Sunday with a promise to lift his nation’s struggling indigenous majority out of centuries of poverty and discrimination.

Morales, a former leader of Bolivia’s coca growers and a fierce critic of U.S. policies, raised a fist in a leftist salute as he swore to uphold the constitution.

“I wish to tell you, my Indian brothers,

that the 500-year indigenous and popular campaign of resistance has not been in vain,” Morales said.

The 46-year-old son of a peasant farmer, Morales vowed that his socialist government would reshape Bolivia. He criticized free-market economic prescriptions supported by the United States and international donors, saying they had failed to end chronic poverty.

“The neoliberal economic model has run out,” said Morales, an Aymara Indian.

CUPB meeting items:

- ◆ **Item #1:** Blair Hall construction delays were announced; the opening was pushed back.
- ◆ **Item #2:** Doudna construction progress should stay on schedule despite rainy weather.
- ◆ **Item #3:** University presidents and chancellors will meet before the Illinois Board of Higher Education and discuss state college funding for the coming year.
- ◆ **Item #4:** The CUPB will meet after the state budget is approved to discuss Eastern’s funding for the coming year.

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on the portion of the old building that remains. Recent rain has slowed progress on the south end of the building, but the contractors said progress should stay on schedule.

Hencken told the CUPB the presidents and chancellors of state universities will have a meeting the day before the Illinois Board of Higher Education meets on Feb. 7 in Springfield.

The IBHE will discuss the amount of funding it will recommend the state government gives state universities next year.

After the IBHE makes its recommendation, the governor will decide the amount he thinks the state can afford to pay the schools and will announce it in his State of the Budget Address, Hencken said.

Last year, the IBHE recommended Eastern get a 2 percent increase in funding, but the governor said the state could not afford that and gave the university no increase, Hencken said.

Hencken told the CUPB as soon as he knows the official word on the budget, he would like the executive committee to call a special meeting to hear the official numbers.

If the university does not get the funding administrators want, the next step will be to decide where the university goes to get the money the school needs, Hencken said.

The next CUPB meeting will be at 3 p.m. on Feb. 24.

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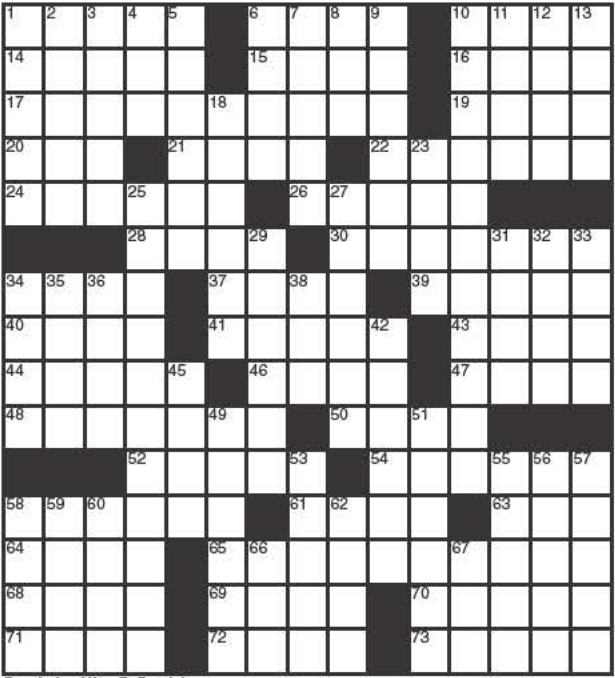
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- 22 Herb with the Tijuana Brass
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- 26 What a settlement avoids
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- 12 Suddenly change course
- 13 Part of Q.E.D.
- 18 Scanty
- 23 Young fellows
- 25 Breakfast beverage
- 27 Boardinghouse guest
- 29 Shocked
- 31 Wall St. figures
- 32 Plumbing problem
- 33 "The ___ the limit!"
- 34 Apple computer
- 35 Italia's capital
- 36 Seriously injure
- 38 Sock hop locale
- 42 Large-scale emigration
- 45 Underground deposits
- 49 Respiratory problem
- 51 Pointing
- 53 Observe furtively
- 55 Smiley of PBS
- 56 Fatter than fat
- 57 Tender areas
- 58 Fed. agent in finances
- 59 Saint's glow
- 60 Regrets
- 62 Seating section
- 66 Charged particle
- 67 Mauna ___ volcano

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Looking through the box filled with these items, Hunt said, “just seeing these names of the people who I worked with; it brings back memories.”

One of the most noted moments during his participation with Student Government was the campaign process, Hunt said.

“I remember that whole process because it was so different than anything I had done before; different than the Greek system,” Hunt said. “Going to Roc’s (Blackfront) and having people there to support me was a big moment. Two of the other people running were roommates, and the night they announced the results we waited up to see them and had a party.”

Some of the issues that came up during Hunt’s time on Student Government were the visiting hours in the dorms, the drinking

age and the funding for entertainment brought to campus.

“One of the reasons I wanted to be on Student Government was to make an impact on how to change the university to better the students,” Hunt said.

Hunt also said his experience in the organization benefited him later on in life.

“The things you learn on this organization carries over in life,” Hunt said. “Whether it’s learning to persuade people to get votes or teaching you to speak in front of groups, you learn accountability, responsibility and time management.”

Bill Davidson of Northbrook spent three of his years at Eastern serving its students on the organization.

Between 2001 and 2004 he worked as the chair of Recycling and Development Committee, senate speaker, executive vice president and chair of the Student

Action Team, among others.

Davidson said most of the problems that still continue today at Eastern were ones he tried to work on himself.

“Some of the campus issues were parking, voter registration, tuition and extension of the bar hours,” Davidson said.

He said he made great strides to get the extension of bar hours in Charleston passed, but it was voted down by the City Council.

“In extending the bar hours (we) created a program that would deal with students who were drunkards,” Davidson said. “This would punish students acting inappropriate and reward those who acted appropriate, but it was voted down by one vote when presented to City Council.”

A senate meeting that lasted more than five hours, which included passing legislation in regard to computer upgrades with Ethernet availability to students, is

what Davidson said he would remember most.

“It was a hot topic because it would cost each students an additional \$80,” Davidson said.

He said his time on senate benefited him most by helping him become prepared for the real world.

“It helped me with leadership as well as my communication skills,” Davidson said. “I became more prepared for the professional world.”

Although he has fond memories of the organization, Davidson said there are some improvements to be made, such as getting more students out to vote.

“Student Government would serve the community well by getting students out to vote in local elections,” Davidson said. “Student Government can have an impact on the community, and they need to use that to their advantage.”

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State’s Attorney for the Beijing district.

Sun said China focuses on morals and ethics more than written law and that China is striving to change its legal culture.

“(Change) cannot be done in one day,” Sun said. “It takes time to accomplish our goals. The situation is different than it was 20 years ago.”

Others asked questions about privacy, wiretaps, pornography and how the government regulates approval for eavesdropping.

“China protects people’s privacy,” Lou said. “There are very few occasions to use eavesdropping.”

One man asked if the courts were independent of the Communist party.

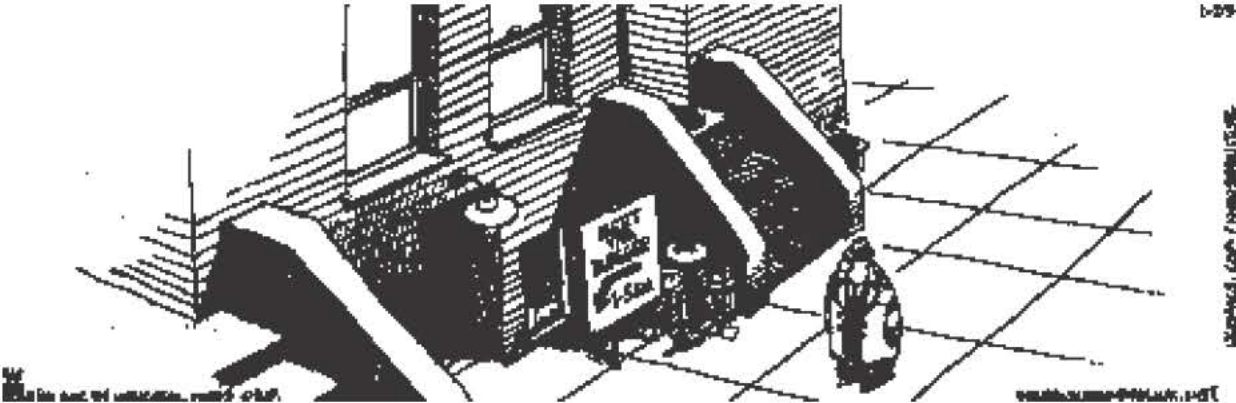
“According to law, the court is independent of the Communist party,” Lou said.

Jacobs said he hopes China will consider more freedoms for its people by observing court proceedings in Coles County.

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Teammates
push Holm to
win in 2,00

Overall, Thornton's performance left him with a sense of self-assurance, he said.

"I feel confident in my performance," Thornton said. "I came in under eight seconds and I just barely missed the conference record."

Thornton wasn't the only Panther to end his race with a first place finish.

Holm won the 1,000-meter run with a time of 2:28.20, setting a new personal best by 11 seconds.

Holm credits his teammates in the stands as well as those in the race as his motivation during the race, he said.

"Brad Runnion and Dan Strackeljahn were in the same heat with me, and we were pushing each other down there," Holm said. "It was good to have the meet at home where everyone is cheering for you and trying to help push you."

"When you have that competition it helps you to run faster. Part of that race I was starting to get tired and people were passing me. I was trying to stick with them for the rest of the race and it ended up working out well."

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Coaches
pleased with
Panthers'
improvement

Freshman Tricia Gaumer said she thinks her teammates have improved since the first meet and are becoming accustomed to competing at "the next level."

Gaumer cleared 10'6" in pole vault, the second highest Eastern vaulter, right behind sixth place finisher junior Nicolene Galas.

The Mega Meet featured good performances from the veterans as well.

Galas, a junior pole-vaulter, had a stress fracture in her foot and did not participate in the Early Bird Meet on Dec. 10.

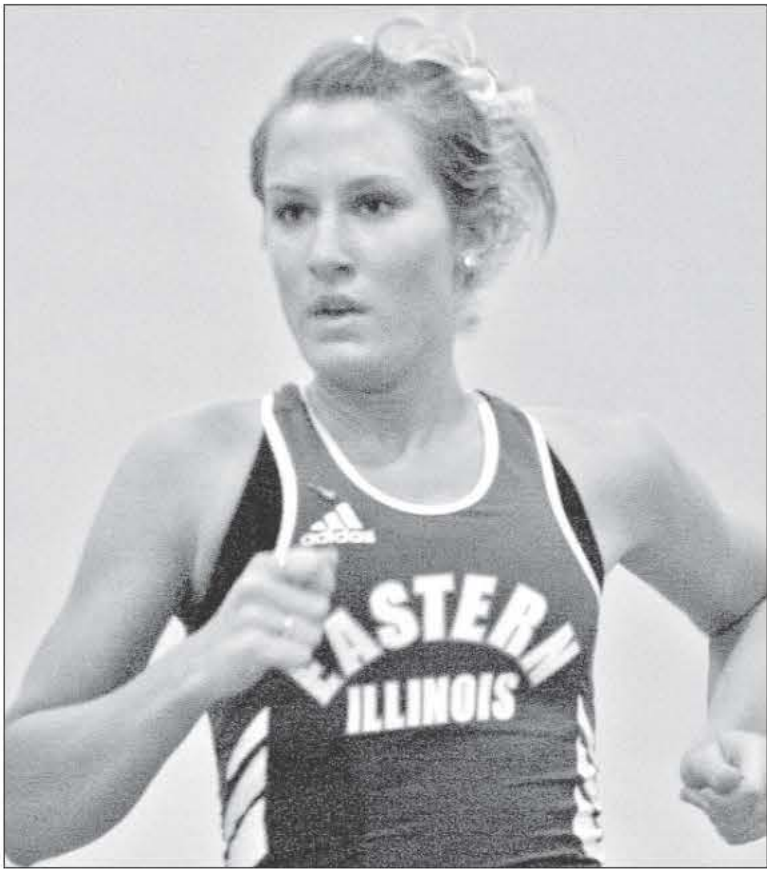
However, she led Eastern vaulters with a jump of 11' after just missing 11'6".

"You have to take everything inside of you and get yourself going," Galas said. "I just do it like I do in practice."

Sophomore distance runner Mallory Fellers also made a comeback at the meet.

She suffered from an Achilles' tendon injury last season that prevented her from competing.

Fellers said she is "happy to be able to compete this season." She showed herself to be an asset to the team with her performances in the 800-meter and mile run, placing ninth and sixth, respectively.



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Freshman Jessica Blondell placed fourth in the mile run during the EIU Mega Meet at Lantz Field House Saturday, finishing in 5 minutes and 20 seconds.

Fellow distance runner, junior Nicole Flounders, made a different kind of comeback. She was tripped during the first half of the 1000-meter run and despite a badly track-burned knee, she managed to pick herself up and finish fourth with a time only seven seconds behind first place.

Flounders commented on the advantage running races with teammates like freshman Amy LeJuene provide during the longer races and Galas said that it is nice having the freshmen fill out the team this year.

Assistant coach Nate Davis said he was pleased with the way the meet went Saturday.

Women's track and field head coach Mary Wallace echoed his remarks.

"Overall I'm pretty pleased. A lot of good solid performances today."

She said the team is now ready to put things together, see where they are at, and work on their performances for next week.

"I feel like I'm improving on some things, but I have a lot to work on still," Uhe said.

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SEATTLE — With their MVP back in business, a fierce defense and all the comforts of playing at home, the Seattle Seahawks punched a ticket to their first Super Bowl.

Shaun Alexander came back from last week's concussion to rush for a team playoff-record 132 yards and two touchdowns Sunday, and Seattle pressured Carolina stars Jake Delhomme and Steve Smith into oblivion in a 34-14 rout for the NFC championship.

The Seahawks picked off three passes in winning their 12th straight at home.

STEELERS 34, BRONCOS 17

DENVER — Big Ben, The Bus and all those Terrible Towels sure are traveling well this postseason. Next stop, the Super Bowl, the final destination of a Pittsburgh road trip the Denver Broncos were powerless to derail.

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MEN'S BASKETBALL

Tigers shoot past Panthers — again

BY MATT DANIELS
ASSOCIATE SPORTS EDITOR

In the first meeting this year between Tennessee State and Eastern, the Panthers put forth a disappointing effort in an 84-68 Ohio Valley Conference loss.

The effort this time around was better, said head coach Mike Miller, but the result was the same as Eastern lost 73-57 at the Howard C. Gentry Complex Saturday in Nashville, Tenn.

"We came out and made some plays early but we couldn't sustain that," Miller said.

Junior forward Clarence Matthews punished the Panthers, pouring in a career-high 28 points on 8-of-9 shooting.

Matthews also added a game-high 10 rebounds and did damage at the free-throw line, converting 12-of-13 attempts.

"I looked at the box score after the game and was like, 'Wow, I didn't realize he had that many points,'" senior guard Josh Gomes said. "He shot a lot of free throws, and that inside-outside combina-

"We're pretty good at cutting deficits down, but we couldn't overcome their outside shooting."

tion they have is one of the best in the league, I think."

Seniors Wayne Arnold and Kareem Grant provided the outside part of that combination, as they combined for 9-of-15 shooting from beyond the arc.

"Their outside shooting killed us," sophomore guard Bobby Catchings said. "There wasn't a whole lot we could do about that. The threes that (Arnold and Grant) shot were all deep threes and they were contested shots."

Eastern jumped out to a 14-5 lead 3 minutes, 4 seconds into the game, but Grant and Arnold's shooting brought the Tigers back.

Over the next two minutes, Grant hit three three-pointers and made two steals to put TSU ahead 16-14.

A jumper by Gomes on Eastern's ensuing possession ended the Tigers 11-0 run.

The Panthers (4-14, 3-9 OVC) trailed 41-32 at halftime and cut the deficit to five in the first minute of the second half thanks to two jumpers by Gomes.

"We knew that it wasn't that big of a lead for them," Catchings said. "We're pretty good at cutting deficits down, but we couldn't overcome their outside shooting."

Grant and Arnold cooled off a bit in the second half, hitting two threes compared to the seven they made in the first half.

However, the Tigers relied on Matthews' inside scoring and ability to get to the foul line in the second half.

"They were hurting us because (TSU point guard) Reily Ervin was able to penetrate and find people," Miller said. "We really didn't have an answer for them (on Saturday)."

With the score at 44-39, the

BOBBY CATCHINGS, SOPHOMORE GUARD

Tigers went on a 15-3 run over the next six and a half minutes to blow the game open.

"(TSU) was able to get some production offensively from a third guy and we struggled to do that," Miller said.

To go along with Matthews' 28 points, Grant had 15 and Arnold scored 14. Gomes and Catchings were the only Eastern players in double figures, with 19 and 16 points, respectively.

Eastern shot just 19-of-46 from the field in the loss.

The Panthers have this week off before hosting Morehead State this Saturday.

The time off is well needed for the team that has had three four-day road trips this year, Catchings said.

"It'll give us a chance to get our legs back, get some more energy," he said.

TENNESSEE STATE 73, EASTERN 57

		fg		ft		reb				
EASTERN	min	m-a	m-a	o-t	a	pf	pts			
Robinson	31	2-7	2-2	1-5	2	2	7			
Gomes	37	7-13	5-6	0-1	1	0	19			
Catchings	33	5-10	4-7	2-4	3	2	16			
Tandy	26	0-2	4-4	1-5	0	4	4			
Byrne	27	3-8	0-0	4-6	1	5	6			
Sinclair	17	1-4	0-0	0-1	1	0	2			
Parrish	15	1-2	0-0	0-0	1	4	2			
Brown	1	0-0	0-0	0-1	0	0	0			
Duany	1	0-0	1-2	1-1	0	1	1			
Burke	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	1	0			
Wilkin	10	0-0	0-0	0-1	0	1	0			
TOTALS	200	19-46	16-21	12-30	9	20	57			

Percentages: FG .413 3-point goals: 3-10 .300 (Catchings 2-4, Robinson 1-3, Gomes 0-3) Blocked shots: 2 (Parrish, Tandy) Steals: 8 (Catchings 2, Robinson 2, Sinclair 2, Byrne, Gomes) Turnovers: 18 (Robinson 6, Tandy 4, Catchings 2, Gomes 2, Byrne, Parrish, Wilkin) Fouled out: Byrne

TENN. ST.	min	m-a	m-a	o-t	a	pf	pts
Ervin	35	2-8	1-2	0-0	8	3	5
Grant	28	5-11	0-2	0-0	0	4	15
Arnold	33	5-8	0-0	1-2	3	2	14
Turner	23	2-4	1-2	2-3	0	3	5
Matthews	29	8-9	12-13	4-10	1	3	28
Waddey	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	1	0	0
Zafirov	12	1-3	0-0	1-1	1	2	3
Belton	20	1-2	0-0	0-3	3	3	2
Hannah	1	0-1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Bohannon	16	0-1	0-0	1-3	0	2	0
Smith	1	0-0	1-2	0-0	0	0	1
TOTALS	200	24-47	15-21	9-25	17	22	73

Percentages: FG .511 3-point goals: 10-21 .476 (Grant 5-8, Arnold 4-7, Zafirov 1-1, Ervin 0-5) Blocked shots: 4 (Bohannon 2, Matthews, Turner) Steals: 10 (Grant 3, Matthews 2, Arnold, Belton, Bohannon, Ervin, Waddey) Turnovers: 14 (Matthews 4, Bohannon 2, Grant 2, Turner 2, Arnold, Belton, Ervin, Waddey) Fouled out: None

ENERGY: Panthers ride momentum into Wisconsin tonight

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"She was all over the floor," Sallee said. "She brought the type of energy that we were lacking. That's the big reason she's here is because of her hard work and hustle."

Unlike previous games in the last few weeks where the Panthers have been launching an unusual number of three-pointers, Eastern decided to direct its attack towards the basket.

In doing so, the Panthers attempted 27 free throws, connecting on 20, while only shooting eight three-pointers. The Panthers also got balanced scoring as senior guard Megan Sparks led the team with 16 points. Freshmen Rachel Galligan (15 points, nine rebounds) and Megan Edwards (12 points, eight assists) also had solid games.

With Eastern up 34-30 at halftime, the Panthers looked for a spark to their offense and found one in Sparks.

She scored 11 of her 16 points in the second half, hitting three three-pointers to put the Panthers on a 16-5 run and build their first double-digit lead of the game.

"She hit some big shots for us in the second

half," Sallee said. "She got our offense going."

Although the Panthers got the victory and remained alone in fourth place in the OVC, they couldn't celebrate too much as they got back on the bus for their third game in five days to take on the Badgers in Madison, Wis.

"It feels like this is our second home," Sallee said of the team's charter bus. "We've been on the bus more than the basketball floor. It feels like we're an NBA team with all these games."

After tonight's game against Wisconsin (6-12, 1-6 Big Ten), Eastern will have five days off to prepare for a home game against Morehead State.

Sallee feels the constant time on the road has had a positive effect on his team.

"Bus trips are the best," Sallee said. "It's the only time where it's just you and the team and where you can really get to know each other. I've felt we've definitely gelled on this trip."

Sallee would also like to take one more bus trip to Nashville, where the OVC Tournament will take place March 3-4.

"I'd like to come back here in about 41 days," he said.



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Freshman center Rachel Galligan shoots during the Panthers' Jan. 14 win against Eastern Kentucky. Galligan scored 15 points in her team's 77-62 win at Tennessee State Saturday.

EASTERN 77, TENNESSEE STATE 62

		fg		ft		reb				
EASTERN	min	m-a	m-a	o-t	a	pf	pts			
Edwards	35	5-12	2-4	0-3	8	0	12			
Sparks	39	5-9	3-4	0-1	3	1	16			
Canale	16	1-4	5-6	0-1	1	4	7			
Sims	27	3-6	0-0	1-6	0	3	7			
Galligan	30	5-9	5-6	0-9	0	3	15			
Kramer	9	0-0	3-3	1-1	3	1	3			
Eck	8	1-1	0-0	0-2	1	0	3			
Maxedon	14	3-4	1-2	3-7	0	3	7			
Scaggs	7	0-0	0-0	1-2	1	0	0			
Kluempers	13	2-3	0-0	0-1	3	0	4			
Lippperd	2	1-1	1-2	0-0	0	0	3			
TOTALS	200	26-49	20-27	7-36	20	15	77			

Percentages: FG .531 3-point goals: 5-8 .625 (Sparks 3-4, Eck 1-1, Sims 1-1, Edwards 0-2) Blocked shots: 4 (Galligan 3, Sparks) Steals: 7 (Edwards 2, Sims 2, Canale, Kluempers, Kramer) Turnovers: 22 (Edwards 6, Canale 3, Maxedon, Sparks 3, Sims 2, Galligan, Kluempers, Kramer, Lippperd, Scaggs) Fouled out: None

TENN. ST.	min	m-a	m-a	o-t	a	pf	pts
Fletcher	39	2-5	3-4	1-5	1	2	10
Jackson	34	3-18	3-6	0-3	1	2	10
Kelly	36	1-6	0-0	1-4	4	4	2
Banks	16	2-3	2-3	2-3	0	4	6
Dean	35	12-17	1-2	3-6	2	3	27
Sibby	5	0-1	0-0	0-0	0	2	0
Okafor	13	2-4	2-2	3-7	1	2	6
Peteet	9	1-2	0-0	0-0	0	2	2
Marshall	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Vance	8	0-4	0-0	1-2	0	1	0
Appling	4	1-2	0-0	0-0	1	1	2
TOTALS	200	24-62	11-17	12-32	10	23	62

Percentages: FG .387. 3-point goals: 3-11 .273 (Dean 2-4, Jackson 1-4, Fletcher 0-2, Kelly 0-1) Blocked shots: 1 (Peteet) Steals: 15 (Fletcher 8, Jackson 2, Kelly, Banks, Sibby, Okafor, Vance) Turnovers: 17 (Kelly 6, Jackson 3, Banks 3, Vance 2, Fletcher, Peteet, Appling) Fouled out: None

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Youth has team on track now

It is difficult to determine whether fans should be more excited about the team's present or the team's future.

While an OVC tournament home game may be in the cards

this season, who knows how far these young players will go in their senior seasons after learning from Sallee for a few years?

By then, moral victories will be a thing of the past and real

victories should be coming out more frequently.

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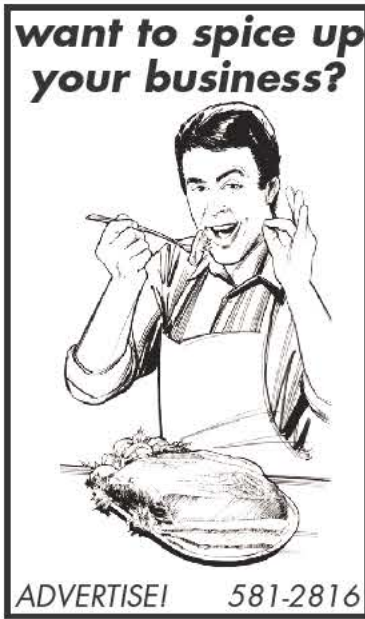
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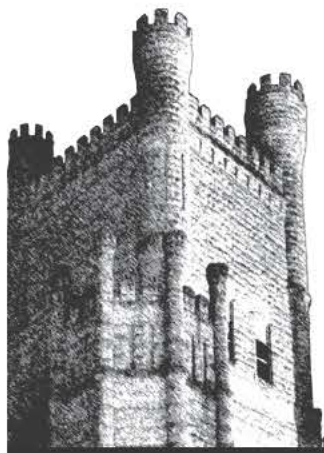
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WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

Panthers avoid letdown at Tennessee State

BY MARC CORRENTI
STAFF REPORTER

If there was a letdown game on the Eastern women's basketball team's schedule, it was Saturday night in Nashville against Tennessee State.

Perhaps the Panthers felt the letdown factor come into play early as they trailed 12-2 in the first five minutes of the game before bouncing back with numerous runs to pull out a 77-62 victory over winless TSU.

"I was worried about this game for the last week."

BRADY SALLEE, HEAD COACH

With Saturday night's game sandwiched between last Thursday's loss to Tennessee Tech and tonight's game at Wisconsin, the Panthers (8-10, 7-4 OVC) were prime for a possible upset.

"I was worried about this game for the last week," Eastern head coach Brady Sallee said. "I think we came

out a little lackadaisical at the beginning."

With the Lady Tigers (0-16, 0-9) jumping out to the early 10-point lead, it would have been easy for the Panthers to panic. Instead they rebounded with a 10-0 run of their own to tie the game at 12.

Eastern eventually took the lead for

good with 4 minutes, 35 seconds left in the first half on junior guard Amanda Maxedon's free throw to put Eastern up 29-28.

Sallee credited Maxedon with being one of the bright spots in Saturday's game. She impressed her head coach with her hustle plays, leading to seven points and seven rebounds in 14 minutes for the junior guard.

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OFF THE BENCH

MARCO SANTANA
SPORTS EDITOR

Moral victories count, too

The Ohio Valley Conference women's basketball season just passed its midway point and there are a few things that have changed in head coach Brady Sallee's second season.

First of all, Eastern hasn't been eliminated from OVC postseason play.

In fact, after a weak start against good competition, they are knocking on the door of being one of the upper echelon teams in the OVC.

They are 7-4, but two of their losses were to the conference's pre-season favorite, Tennessee Tech.

Other than those two losses, they have been in every game this season and could easily be 9-2.

Players and coaches don't want to discuss moral victories. Fortunately, columnists can.

They lost back-to-back games by a combined three points.

They first traveled to Austin Peay on Jan. 7 and lost by just two points on a buzzer-beater by Lady Govs senior forward Ashley Haynes.

Two days later, the Panthers held Morehead State to 29 percent shooting and lost by one point on the road.

These are definite moral victories for a program that has never won an OVC tournament game and has not won more than six conference games since the 1996-97 season, the team's first in the conference.

Last season, Eastern's closest conference loss was by two points against Tennessee State. The Lady Tigers finished at 8-8 in the OVC.

Two of their three conference victories were against teams with horrible records.

Moral victories would have been welcome for this team last season.

Midway through last year's conference season, the Panthers were 1-7. They got better in the second half, but a 2-6 second half isn't much of an encouragement.

What was encouraging, however, were Sallee's recruits.

The six freshmen on the team and the two junior-college transfers continue to impress and determine this team's performance.

They complement seniors Megan Sparks and Lauren Sims to the point where Sparks and Sims constantly say they are not playing like freshmen. It's cliché to say that, but in this case, it is an accurate statement.

TRACK AND FIELD

OFF AND RUNNING

Men's team wins EIU Mega Meet

BY DERRICK JOHNSON II
STAFF REPORTER

The points may not have mattered to Eastern this weekend, but that did not stop the men's track and field team from bringing home a first-place finish this weekend.

The Panthers finished first out of 13 teams at the EIU Mega Meet in Lantz Field House on Saturday. Although they won their home meet, the Panthers remained focused on bigger goals. Those goals are the meets that still lay ahead for the Panthers, freshman middle distance runner David Holm said.

"I've been happy about my times all year but you can't think about that too much," Holm said. "You have to start training for the next meet and worry about that."

Holm's teammate, senior middle distance runner Nathan Pepper, is in agreement with putting aside past performances. Pepper finished third overall in the mile run.

Although he was disappointed with his performance, he had to keep looking forward, he said.

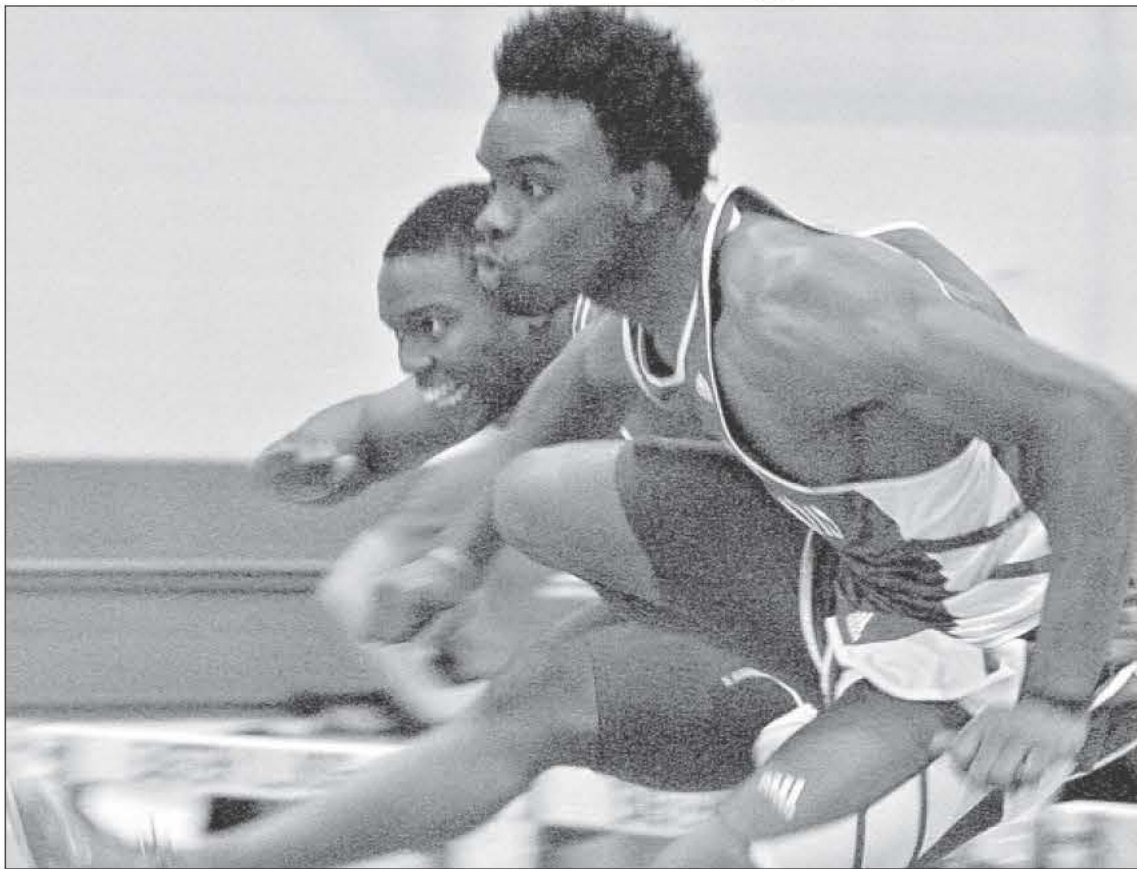
"It'll be in the back of my head, but every race is new," Pepper said.

"You've got to approach it differently, you worry about that and not what you did in the past. I'm going to forget about that mile and run as hard as I can. We try not to let previous races affect us."

Although some of the Panthers' performances fell below their expectations, others expressed excitement in their accomplishments.

Sophomore hurdler Kirkland Thornton finished first in the men's 60-meter hurdles with a time of 7.99 seconds.

The time is three hundredths of a second behind the Ohio Valley Conference record of 7.96 seconds, set by Eastern's Greg Belger in 2002.



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Sophomore hurdler Mike Embry eyes the finish in a 60-meter hurdles heat during the EIU Mega Meet Saturday afternoon at Lantz Field House. Embry won his heat and finished ninth in the event with a time of 8.59 seconds.

Youth pushes women to third place

BY KATIE ANDERSON
STAFF REPORTER

The women's track team's freshmen may be new to Division I, but they were ready to run Saturday at the EIU Mega Meet in Lantz Field House.

Behind the performance of the freshmen and returning athletes, the Panther women finished third out of seven teams.

Freshman sprinter and jumper Jenna Uhe was busy participating in the 60-meter dash, 200-meter

dash, long jump and triple jumps.

While running back and forth between races and jumps, Uhe scored points in three of her four events, placing fifth in the 60-meter dash with a time of 8.33 seconds, eighth in the long and seventh in the triple.

Uhe does not mind being in four events.

"It makes the time go by faster," she said.

Jessica Blondell is another freshman that performed well in her multiple races Saturday.

Blondell placed eighth in the 800-meter run and beat out Lisa Petty of Illinois-Chicago in a close final lap to take fourth in the mile with a time of 5 minutes 20.63 seconds.

Freshman Nicole Walcott, the top Eastern finisher in the shot put, threw 40 feet 1.5 inches.

She said having a home meet this early helps the girls focus on how strong you can be the rest of the season.

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