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### UNIVERSITY

## Earthquake touches home for professor, alumna

### Puricelli felt tremors from Port-de-Paix home

By Sam Sottosanto  
Online Editor

The pounding of Voodoo drums and sounds of people wailing in the streets of Port-de-Paix are a constant reminder of the loved ones still missing in Port-au-Prince. About 100 miles north of where the earthquake hit, the population of Port-de-Paix waits in fear for news of family and friends.

When Beth Puricelli, a former Eastern professor, felt the earthquake tremors around 5 p.m. on Tuesday, it was something she and her husband Stephen had never expected when they moved to Port-de-Paix to teach.

"We are blessed that Port-de-Paix was not affected in the same way as Port-au-Prince. We are saddened for so many and this nation," Puricelli said.

Puricelli, at 26, is an Eastern alumna and former Eastern family consumer sciences professor, who left the U.S. for Haiti back in August to teach first-graders free of charge.

But since most communication is limited in Haiti, many of the citizens did not know about the quake until Wednesday morning. Puricelli, however, has a computer and found out Tuesday evening.

Port-de-Paix relies on Port-au-Prince because it is the only city in the country that has an airport and they get all their food and diesel from Port-au-Prince.

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### CAMPUS

## Eastern students may be victims of identity theft

### Many students report damage done to credit

By James Roedel  
Staff Reporter

Eastern is not immune to identity theft. Jackie See, financial health coordinator for the Health Education Resource Center, said she has spoken to students with thousands of dollars of damage done to their credit caused by identity theft.

While identity theft is a real problem for everyone, it is college students who can be easier targets.

See attributed an easily accessed Social Security number, not balancing a checkbook, not keeping receipts and receiving excess credit card or loan offers in the mail, as reasons why college students are at greater risk for identity theft.

"They are inexperienced in handling their finances," See said in an e-mail.

### Identity theft is serious business.

"If a thief has a person's name, address and Social Security number, they can do a lot of damage," See said.

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### STATE

## Sen.: Quinn lacked substance

### Sen. Righter pessimistic about future of university

By Sarah Ruholl  
Administration Editor

Gov. Pat Quinn's State of the State address Wednesday ran long in words, but Sen. Dale Righter, R-Mattoon, thinks it ran short on substance.

"Don't expect to find anything significant about the budget, it's not there," Righter said. "To be fair, this is not his budget address, that is coming in February, but he should have devoted more than a handful of minutes in an 80-minute speech to talking about the budget, because it's what's on everyone's mind."

The state is billions of dollars

behind in payments to state-funded organizations.

Universities and community colleges comprise \$850 million of that funding backlog, according to the Illinois Federation of Teachers.

"The news is not good for universities," Righter said. "If you count all of the bills that are due right now, it's in the neighborhood of \$10 billion."

The exact deficit amount is unknown; it could fall anywhere between \$5 billion and \$10 billion, despite a constantly rising annual tax revenue.

"In the last seven years, this state's annual tax revenue has increased by \$7 billion, with a cumulative increase of over \$20 billion," Righter said. "The problem is the growth in spending has exceeded even that."

Quinn did not address any specific plans for fixing the budget in

his speech.

He called for an overhaul that he said would make the tax burden fairer while also producing more money for the state, but did not specifically renew his call for a 50 percent increase to income tax.

Righter and many other state legislators are opposed to the proposed increase without a major overhaul in governmental spending.

"(The governor and senate and house leaders) are the only elected officials in Springfield willing to support income tax increases as things are right now," Righter said. "Constituents aren't willing to pay more for something they know is already broken."

Righter used Medicaid as an example of what is going wrong with the state's budget.

"Medicaid has been growing at a rate of 8 percent a year," he

said. "That's generally twice the rate of the rest of the budget. You have to slow the rate of that growth. We need to reign that back in. You need to say now, 'We're not expanding that program any more.'"

Righter believes the moratorium on spending increases should be extended across the board.

"Groups come to Springfield every year looking to get state funding for their organization," Righter said. "It is nothing short of irresponsible to say yes to that when we're so far behind on our payments. Stop increasing spending and work on paying your bills."

*The Associated Press contributed to this report.*

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### BOARD OF TRUSTEES

## Proposed modification reinforces statute

### Vote scheduled for Jan. 22

By Collin Whitchurch  
Managing Editor

The Board of Trustees will vote on a proposed revision to its governing policies on Jan. 22.

The revision, which is in accordance with a previous statute on the subject, would allow faculty and staff to be allowed to communicate their thoughts about the federal government, as long as it is clear they are not speaking on behalf of the university.

Additionally, staff and faculty members would be allowed to attend partisan political rallies, display political buttons, stickers or patches and display bumper stickers on their vehicles.

"The proposed language reinforces a recent statute regarding the ability

of university employees to participate in the political process provided that such participation, with limited exceptions, is not done while on duty at the university," said Robert Miller, general counsel for the Board of Trustees. The revision is part of a section on academic freedom.

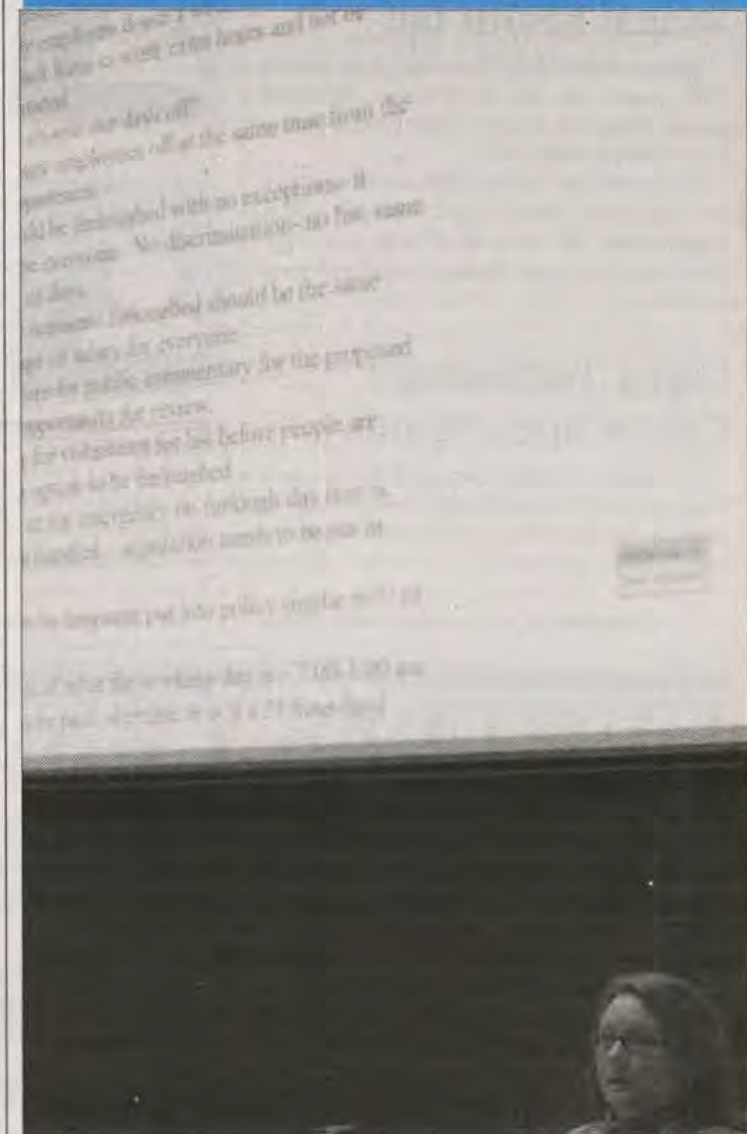
This section states: "Institutions of higher education are conducted for the common good and not to further the interest of either the individual faculty member or the institution as a whole."

Miller said the revision was proposed by the Board of Trustees Regulations Committee and at the next meeting, scheduled for Jan. 22, a majority of the board must vote in favor of the revision for it to pass.

The proposed revision is posted at Booth Library until Jan. 22.

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## Questions answered during open forum on furlough policy



AMIR PRELLBERG | THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

Sandy Bowman, interim assistant director of human resources, answers questions dealing with the furlough policy during an open forum on Tuesday afternoon in the Physical Science Building. The Council on University Planning and Budget will meet at 3 p.m. today in the 1895 Room of the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union. The CUPB will discuss the comments garnered from online suggestions and the open forums on the proposed furlough policy. Cost containment suggestions will also be discussed.

WEATHER TODAY



Mostly Cloudy

**HIGH 38°** Cloudy skies continue today with temperatures up near 40. Expect cloudy conditions for the majority of the weekend. The sun will return to start out next week, with temperatures in the mid 40's. No precipitation is expected for the weekend, however, scattered showers are possible next Wednesday.

**LOW 27°**

WEATHER TOMORROW

**Saturday**  
Mostly Cloudy  
High: 40°  
Low: 28°

**Sunday**  
Mostly Cloudy  
High: 39°  
Low: 28°

For more weather information: [www.eiu.edu/~weather](http://www.eiu.edu/~weather)

CAMPUS BRIEFS

Dinner to benefit Villa Pizza workers, families

There will be a spaghetti dinner to benefit displaced workers and families of the Villa Pizza fire in Mattoon at Immaculate Conception Catholic Church Friday. The dinner costs \$6 and is hosted by the Mattoon Knights of Columbus. If interested, meet at the Newman Catholic Center at 5:30 p.m. and drivers will carpool over. For more information, contact Steve Joebgen at [sfjoebgen@eiu.edu](mailto:sfjoebgen@eiu.edu) or (217) 778-6322.

Exhibitors sought for annual health fair

Space is available for interested departments, RSOs, classes, etc., that would like to exhibit and provide information on health-related topics to Health Fair attendees.

The Health Fair will be held from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Wednesday, March 10, at the Student Recreation Center. For more information or to register, please contact Ryan Messinger at [rcmessinger@eiu.edu](mailto:rcmessinger@eiu.edu).

Gregg Technology Center open Monday

The Gregg Technology Center will be open from 7 a.m. until 4:15 p.m. Monday. Faculty and students are welcome to use the lab area during this time.

—Compiled by News Editor Emily Steele

Helping out Haiti



AUDREY SAWYER | THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

Senior communication disorders major Catherine Read and junior communications disorders major Stephanie Fanale collect money for Haiti Thursday afternoon in Coleman Hall. The Haiti Connection is collecting money in Coleman Hall and in the University Food Court today from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

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Turn green into blue

Online reporter Kyle Pruden reminds students that there are plenty of opportunities around campus to recycle. Read more on his blog at DENnews.com.



A cool view

A different perspective of the snow on and off campus is shown in this photo gallery at DENnews.com.

CORRECTION

Ron Miller was misidentified in a story on the faculty senate in Wednesday's edition of *The Daily Eastern News*. He is the president of the Charleston School Board.

The DEN regrets the error.

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## Breaking bad habits to begin better ones

By Heather Holm  
Activities Editor

Ring in the New Year usually means coming up with resolutions to eat healthier and exercise more often.

However, the diets usually last for a short period of time, and then the person goes back to his normal habits of eating and working out less.

"These diets do not work because people change way too much and are not able to keep their resolution," said James Painter, chair of the School of Family and Consumer Sciences.

"Saying 'I won't eat chocolate anymore' won't work, but saying 'I won't eat when I am sitting down' will be more effective," Painter said.

He said for these diets to be effective, all people need to do is make one lifestyle change, such as not eating in front of the TV or snacking after 7 p.m.

Painter said people typically go on a weight-loss diet, or fad diets, for a certain period of time, like when they want to fit into a summer bikini or, more recently, as a New Year's resolution.

Typically, when a person restricts a food, he thinks about it more often because he cannot have that food. So people should try and stay away from resolutions that say they will not eat certain foods, such as fat, carbohydrates, greasy foods, pop or bread.

"People should make one change they can keep for a continuous amount of time," Painter said. "An example of this could be not eating half of a candy bar, which is equal to 100 calories."

Another way to do this is to eat out of smaller bags and with smaller plates, bowls and spoons.

### Further techniques & tips

For more techniques and tips check out Painter's Pistachio principle — how to eat less with smaller sizes: [www.pistachio-health.co.uk/pdf/Pistachio-Principle.pdf](http://www.pistachio-health.co.uk/pdf/Pistachio-Principle.pdf)

Eastern students said they have seen friends and family members make resolutions on the basis of restriction.

"Some family members wanted to work out more and cut out certain things like pop," said Brittany Salisbury, a sophomore elementary education major.

Students have also made resolutions to exercise more.

"Exercise is more difficult," Painter said, "It is harder to do that for one hour a day than to eat healthier, but exercise is also extremely important."

This has not stopped Eastern students from flooding the gym and the Student Recreation Center.

"The gym is always more packed around this time of year," said Rachael Jannusch, a sophomore dietetics major. "My personal goal is to exercise more."

Neil Jernegan, a senior accounting major, said he does not need to make a New Year's resolution to eat better because he has eaten healthy his whole life.

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AUDREY SAWYER | THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

Sophomore chiropractic major Trish Garvey breaks a cigarette in half to represent her quitting smoking on Thursday afternoon outside the Alpha Phi sorority house.

### STUDENT GOVERNMENT

## Bumps in road don't deter shuttle bus chair

By Erica Whelan  
Student Government Editor

The ask a student senate member segment is a bi-weekly question-and-answer article with a student senator. Michael Stopka, a junior political science major, has been involved in student government since spring 2009. He has been distinguished by Isaac Sandidge, student speaker of the senate, as "one of the senators who got the most done for students last semester and an overall great senator."

Stopka currently serves as chair of the shuttle bus committee as well as a member of the Student Action Team.

### Please explain your past service to the students.

I've served on the shuttle bus committee since the spring when I got on the senate, and then I was the chair of the committee.

We had several projects that we were working on. One of the projects that were delayed was the bus schedules. That's the top priority for the committee this semester, and also advertisements to promote the shuttle bus.

I've also gone with Eric Wilber as part of the Student Action Team to Springfield twice, I believe, to get the



"We're here for the students and we're always interested in feedback."

— Michael Stopka

funds for the (Monetary Award Program) grant, and in spring '09, we had the letter-writing campaign for the Renewable Energy Center.

### What is the purpose of the shuttle bus committee on campus?

Basically, we work with the students and the administration to better the service, advertise it and make any changes and improvements.

### I know that you worked on the shuttle bus logo campaign. How did that go?

We had to follow guidelines that the university has put forward, and those are very strict guidelines for what a logo can or cannot have, so the

submissions we had, we can't use in any way to advertise the shuttle bus, so I believe the Communications Office in Old Main is going to design a logo for us that we can put on the schedule and get those printed ASAP.

We did have a winner, but the logo didn't follow the guidelines. Basically, it's like a 16-page book that tells you how to design a logo. It's complicated, so we hit that bump in the road and the schedules were delayed, but that's our top priority.

### What has been the effect of your efforts heading the shuttle bus committee on campus so far? Have you gotten any type of reaction from the campus community?

I believe that we made a good effort to work with the administration and with the students to lead the shuttle bus committee. We can be the bridge between the administration and the students, and we also have a survey we'll be sending out so the students can comment with any suggestions or whatever their opinions are.

### Speaking of the survey, have you generated any other feedback from

### the campus?

We asked students to help us with the questions on the survey and asked them what they use the shuttle bus to get to and what they think of the fee associated with the service. I believe it's around \$10. Every student pays for the shuttle bus, so they should probably utilize it as much as possible.

### Has your committee planned any other activities for the semester?

We'll be getting students together and working with the Student Action Team to go to Springfield to show them that we care about our issues and we don't know what's going to happen with the MAP grant next semester and the budget problems and all that.

### What are the benefits of getting involved on this committee?

I believe that it's something that affects the students because they use the shuttle bus and it's a very important service.

### How did you originally get involved on the shuttle bus committee?

I was on the student senate and I

had a problem with the shuttle service. I was waiting by County Market and it was really snowy and cold and I waited for over 40 minutes and when I finally got out, the shuttle bus sat there for like a second and rode off, and I had to chase the shuttle bus, and I decided to get involved with that.

### Have you seen any changes?

I believe the service has excellent drivers and I use the service all the time to get to Wal-Mart and other places. The service is great.

### I noticed that on the bus it says, "go green...get on the bus!" Is this a green service?

Basically, we want the students to utilize the bus instead of driving to Wal-Mart and carpool instead. The more people who get on the bus, the less people driving around.

### Is there anything else that you'd like to add?

We're here for the students and we're always interested in feedback. They can always work with us on a committee. Student government is their tool and it's there to utilize.

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IEWS



Bob Bajek

## Life ends, memories are forever

Life is precious, yet fragile.

I discovered this tenet over winter break. For the last 19 days, my grandma, Liane DeSitter, has been at the Advocate Good Samaritan Hospital in Downers Grove fighting for her life.

My grandma's sister found her unconscious on the couch of her home Dec. 27 and the doctors have since found a plethora of problems.

She has pneumonia, dehydration, some small strokes and is in the final stages of emphysema. Many of these medical conditions counteract each other, which, unfortunately, makes treatment extremely difficult.

My Uncle John said these are her final days until she passes away and joins Grandpa Louie.

Last Tuesday, my brothers and I visited her at the hospital. When we came in, she was asleep. My mom was keeping careful vigil over her.

I sat down across from her and let my senses absorb her frail body and gradually, I drifted into my memories...

Memories of other lost loved ones, like my month-old brother Tommy who died from Sudden Infant Death Syndrome Aug. 3, 1998. My parents were devastated; it took awhile to heal.

Noelle Joy Bergquist, one of my good friends, passed away at 16 from kidney failure in 2004. She was the best friend of my sister, Mary.

Is life this fragile, full of hurt and void of joy? Not so.

Even when our loved ones are gone or about to pass, we have fond memories that keep them alive in our hearts, becoming a part of us.

One time, I read a book about insects to Grandma and helped me read it to her. I was just six years old and interested in bugs while she was not, but she wanted me to teach her.

Grandma has always been a strong woman, coming to America at 12 from Belgium before WWII broke out.

She married Louis DeSitter and, through their love, she bore 10 children, and her children have given her 35 grandchildren. Through her gentle love, others have life, including myself.

Tommy prays for my family from heaven. Losing a sibling has revealed how vital family is to me, and how each moment is precious with them because life does not last forever.

Noelle suffered from spina bifida throughout her days on Earth, yet she was always joyful, much like her middle name would indicate.

She left an impression on my sister for constantly showing her kindness and happiness during their friendship.

Love is the key to defeat death and sadness.

All 10 of Grandma's children from across the nation are spending every moment they can with her to support her and show their love.

My family sometimes travels to Tommy's gravesite to visit him and pray.

Mary, who is now a dance major, performed a dance called "Dear Noelle" at College of DuPage in November to express how Noelle positively changed her life...

Returning from my thoughts, Grandma slowly opened her eyes, weakly waving at us. We told her we loved her and she would pull through.

As we were leaving, Grandma whispered, "Thanks...for coming."

Life is fragile, yet precious.

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# THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

"Tell the truth and don't be afraid"

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

## Eastern students must do their part in donating to Haiti relief

It's scary just how close some members of the Newman Catholic Center, including Tony Curcuru and Roy Lanham, came to experiencing firsthand the earthquake that tore apart Haiti Tuesday.

Curcuru, Lanham and about a dozen others, on a trip for the Center's Haiti Connection, had just left the island on Jan. 8 — a mere four days before a 7.0 magnitude earthquake shook the island.

But it doesn't end at "Phew... that was a close one, I should count my lucky stars."

No, it didn't stop there for members of the Newman Catholic Center. The Center is taking the Haiti relief effort seriously, an act the rest of this campus community should follow in stride.

First reported in an article in Thursday's edition of *The Daily Eastern News*, the Newman Catholic Center is collecting donations for relief services in Haiti following the catastrophic earthquake.

Since Lanham has been going to Haiti as part of the Center's Haiti Connection missionary trip program for the past 20 years, he has made many personal contacts whom he can send aid donations to directly.

"Whether (the donations are) for clean water, for food, for shelter, there's still going to be hundreds of thousands of Haitians in need of water and shelter," Lanham said.

The Newman Catholic Center set up tables Thursday in the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union to accept donations for the relief effort, and will continue today.

Curcuru, a senior foreign language major, walked with peers through the streets of the capitol, Port-au-Prince, just days before the quake rocked the city and the island as a whole.

"Now looking on every news channel and every article online you just think of all those faces and what's next for them," Curcuru said.

**"The (Newman) Center is taking the Haiti relief effort seriously, an act the rest of this campus community should follow in stride."**

The *New York Times* reported on Thursday a death toll of about 50,000 people as a result of the quake — a staggering number that doesn't even include those injured.

In a speech at the White House Thursday, President Obama pledged \$100 million in aid to the island nation.

"You will not be forsaken, you will not be forgotten," Obama said in the speech. "In this, your hour of greatest need, America stands with you."

The rest of us should stand behind our president's words and the Newman Catholic Center's actions to help the people in Haiti any way we can.

The missionary trip Curcuru and Lanham were on was through the Haiti Connection. According to the Newman Catholic Center's Web site, "...the Haiti Connection is committed to raising awareness and funds to eliminate injustices that impact the people of the third world. Their direct mission is to communities in Haiti, the poorest country in the western hemisphere. They sponsor two immersion/mission trips a year."

Though we are poor college students who might find it hard to donate anything, there is a time when just a little from each of us can help; right now is that time.

As *The DEN* article stated, donations can be made at the tables in the Union or by writing checks to the Newman Haiti Fund, memo earthquake. Checks can be dropped off at the Newman Catholic Center or sent free through campus mail to the Student Life Office addressed to Haiti Connection.

No matter where a tragedy like this occurs, whether it's in our town, state or country; regardless of locale, disaster does not obey arbitrary lines drawn on a map.

Whether you are American or Haitian, this kind of devastation does not discriminate against ethnicity or nationality, nor should your generosity to help your fellow man.

FROM THE EASEL



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UNIVERSITY

# Students will be busy on National Day of Service

Rashida Lyles-Cowan  
Staff Reporter

With President Bill Perry's initiative, Eastern's student community service is hosting several upcoming events.

The first event will take place Monday.

Dr. King once said, "Life's most persistent question is what are you doing for others."

Rachel Fisher, interim director of Eastern's student community service, said Monday is the day to do something for someone else.

"Take a moment and show your support for making Martin Luther King Day a day on and not a day off," she said.

President Obama named Martin Luther King Day a National Day of

Service last year.

"Not only do we celebrate his memory, but also celebrate his life through service," she said.

Students will have eight different service options in choosing a project.

"We will find something you like," she said.

Some of the options include making cards and blankets to send to troops, helping Catholic Charities and becoming First Aid certified from the American Red Cross.

Fisher said this is a great opportunity to meet new people, expand social groups and share experiences with individuals who have like-minded goals.

"We are expecting around 200 volunteers to attend," she said.

Mark Olendzki, the student vice president for student affairs, said he

is encouraging students, including members of the student government, to participate in the activities.

"I'm hoping students go out and help," he said.

He plans on participating in some of the services hosted on Monday.

"It would be a shame to spend the day indoors watching television when you could be emulating Dr. King and servicing the community," Olendzki said.

### Eastern community service

The Eastern Community Service initiative began in August 2008.

Fisher said this program was created to increase student interest and help with the needs of the community.

"Need is everywhere," she said. "We have to make sure we're help-

ing."

Fisher said the program helps students find a place to serve others and also create their own events.

"We are almost like a matchmaker," she said.

Fisher said the program hosted more than 90 different events in the fall and hopes to do more this spring.

Fisher also has plans in progress to help with the crisis in Haiti. Fisher said she thinks it is important to stay on top of national and international issues.

"Since it is so recent, we will be giving updates throughout the semester," she said.

Fisher said the role of the Student Community Service program is to make sure it depicts the bigger picture of what service looks like.

"Change happens when an individual speaks up and takes a stand," she said.

Fisher said it only takes one voice to make a difference.

The National Day of Service will begin at noon in the University Ballroom in the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union, and all projects will end at 4 p.m.

All project sites include transportation.

For information about Martin Luther King Day of Service and for registration please visit: [www.eiu.edu/~volunteer/get\\_involved/mlk-day.php](http://www.eiu.edu/~volunteer/get_involved/mlk-day.php) and for any additional information e-mail [volunteer@eiu.edu](mailto:volunteer@eiu.edu).

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ORGANIZATIONS

# University Board has open positions this semester

By Heather Holm  
Activities Editor

The University Board has nine open positions to fill this semester. The open coordinator positions are: main stage, productions, lectures, special events, comedy, public relations, concerts elect, marketing/webmaster and movies. The UB will look for dedicated people who are motivated and passionate about whichever coordinator position interests them.

"If they are going to apply for the comedy coordinator, they should have a love for putting on comedy shows and want to make the shows at Eastern the best they can be," said Mindy Gayheart, graduate adviser for UB public relations.

Students interested are encouraged to speak with the current coordinators and learn about the position so when the interviews take place, the transition goes smoothly. "We are excited to learn and try new things and every new member can help change the experience at Eastern," Gayheart said. "We are looking for people who want to learn and grow and who are excited and interested in the area they apply for."

UB Vice Chair Sheila Hurley said they are looking for as many applicants as possible.

An applicant should be well organized, able to come up with fresh ideas, be somewhat familiar with the UB and what the position they are applying for entails according to Hurley.

**"I am looking for a leader who can do the job even better than I can."**

Orion Buckingham,  
productions coordinator

Another important quality is time management.

"If you have an event and a big test, you have to learn how to manage those things," Hurley said. Students interested can apply and go to an interview

where the current coordinators will ask questions with the UB graduate advisers present.

Orion Buckingham, productions coordinator, said he is looking for someone who has creative ideas and is willing to help out with other committees as well.

Since his job has more of a technological aspect, he is looking for someone who has knowledge of technology.

"I am looking for a good leader who can do the job even better than I can," he said.

Krystina LaMorte, concerts elect coordinator, wants someone who is familiar with music and open to all genres without segregation of certain music.

Lectures Coordinator Christina Botica is looking for a person who

can bring diverse speakers to Eastern.

"This could mean a fresh new start with new ideas and new programs (since so many people are graduating)," Hurley said. "We can show the new coordinators around and teach them new tricks."

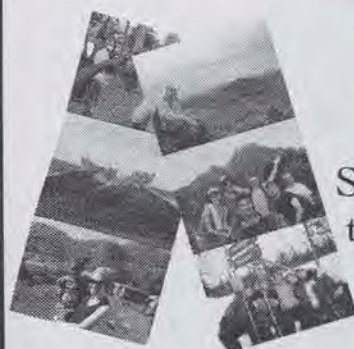
There will also be a recruitment day from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Wednesday, Jan. 20 in the Bridge Lounge of the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union.

Students can sign up for positions at this time or simply join committees.

They can also get to know members of the UB and find out about upcoming events.

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Booth Library is reflected in a puddle of snowmelt on Tuesday evening. Tuesday's temperature reached a high of 45.4, according to the Eastern Weather Center's WEIU meteorological station.

CHICAGO

# Ill. terrorism suspects indicted in Mumbai attack

The Associated Press

CHICAGO — Two Chicago men were indicted Thursday on charges they planned a violent attack on a Danish newspaper and helped lay the groundwork for the November 2008 terrorist rampage that killed 166 people in the Indian city of Mumbai.

David Coleman Headley and businessman Tahawwur Hussain Rana were named in a 12-count supersed-

ing indictment that for the first time alleged Rana was in on the planning of the attacks by a team of 10 terrorists.

Headley, 49, an American citizen, and Rana, 49, a Canadian national who has been in business in Chicago for more than a dozen years, are both in federal custody in Chicago.

Headley's attorney, John Theis, had no comment on the new indictment. A message was left for Rana's attorney,

Patrick Blegan.

Retired Pakistani military officer Abdur Rehman Hashim Syed and reputed terrorist leader Ilyas Kashmiri — described as having been in regular contact with al-Qaida's No. 3, Sheikh Mustafa Abu al-Yazid — also were charged in the new indictment.

The charges were the first for Kashmiri in the case that surfaced with the October arrest of Headley and Rana in Chicago.

Syed previously had been charged with involvement in the plans to attack the Danish newspaper Jyllands Posten, which in 2005 printed 12 cartoons depicting the Prophet Muhammad that sparked outrage in the Muslim world.

Officials say all the defendants were linked to the terrorist organization Lashkar-e-Taiba, translated as Army of the Pure, which has long been involved in violent conflict with

India over the disputed Kashmir territory.

The Indian government has blamed the group for the Mumbai attacks.

The charges against Headley, formerly named Daood Gilani, are the same as those included by the government in a criminal information filed in federal court last fall. But the charges against Rana have been expanded to include participation in the Mumbai attacks.

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## HAITI, from 1

"Everyone in Port-de-Paix knows someone in Port-au-Prince," she said. "Many people have family members who are in the capital to make enough money for their families in smaller cities. A good friend, Janueve, and her two-year-old daughter, Talia, are waiting to hear from her husband, Edeze, who was applying for a visa and staying in Petionville."

Petionville is located five miles outside Port-au-Prince.

All schools in Port-de-Paix have been canceled, except for Sonlight Academy, where Puricelli teaches.

"It has been good for students to be occupied during this horrific time," she said. "As the news of deaths have spread, we have seen many people wailing in the streets."

As of now, Puricelli has two students who have missing siblings and knows of three teacher's aides who are missing siblings.

Puricelli said Haitians are feeling how Americans did with Hurricane Katrina and 9/11, but there is also a difference.

She said Haitians are dependant on other nations to help instead of being able to support themselves.

"Infrastructure here cannot handle daily living, let alone a catastrophic event," she said. "I remind myself often that Haiti is a nation of slaves who freed themselves. They are strong, resilient and hopeful people."

Although all this has happened, and they have had limited phone and Internet connection, Beth is thankful she has been able to e-mail her parents.

"We have received an outpouring of e-mails and are blessed with so many thoughts and prayers," she said. "Please remember Haiti!"

Puricelli and her husband will be back in the U.S. during the summer. During that time, they will be collecting donations so they will be able to teach in Haiti again next year.

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## IDENTITY, from page 1

At the end of the fall semester, a malware virus put the personal information of about 9,000 students who applied for admission to Eastern at risk.

Between Nov. 11 and Nov. 16 the electronic application data of some students who applied to Eastern was open to access by an outside source because of the virus.

The server contained Social Security numbers, mailing addresses and other contact information.

The server was put under investigation after a security report showed suspicious activity had taken place.

Adam Dodge, Eastern's information technology security officer, said in the Dec. 7 edition of *The Daily Eastern News*, "It is important to note that not all individ-

uals that applied during this period were affected, only a small percent."

As a precaution the university has organized free credit monitoring and ID theft protection for current students and the applicants.

See gave some advice for identity protection.

"Signs when identity theft does occur would include things such as noticing unknown openings of accounts such as credit cards, mortgages and bank accounts," See said.

With the expansion of technology people must be very conscious about their finances See said.

"The best way is to check your credit report!" see Said.

The three largest credit bu-

reaus, Experian, Equifax and TransUnion, are required by law to give consumers a free copy of their credit report every year.

See recommends checking these reports annually for anyone over the age of 18.

Having bad credit scores due to identity theft can affect many different aspects of a victim's life.

"This can result in being denied for loans, mortgages, financing, job and renting opportunities," See said.

See, who can be reached at 581-7786 or Herc-financial@eiu.edu, said she can walk Eastern students through the steps of rebuilding their identity.

James Roedl can be reached at 581-7942 or jmroedl@eiu.edu.

## Recommendations

The Federal Trade Commission's Web site has a few recommendations for anyone who is a victim of identity theft.

1. First, place fraud alerts on credit reports and check them for discrepancies.

Placing this report allows the victim to receive free copies and stops fraudulent accounts from being opened.

2. Closing accounts that have been, or seem to have been tampered with to stop identity thieves from doing any further damage.

3. Filing a report with the local police helps a victim prove the identity theft actually happened.

4. Filing a complaint with the Federal Trade Commission helps stop identity theft.

It also allows them to refer victims to other agencies for more help.

## STATE

### STATE OF THE STATE

# Teachers union fears not allayed by Quinn

SPRINGFIELD — A major Illinois teachers union says Gov. Pat Quinn's State of the State address did not allay fears that schools and colleges might run out of money soon.

The Illinois Federation of Teachers says universities and community colleges are owed \$850 million in state funding for the current fiscal year.

IFT President Ed Geppert Jr. says local school districts are considering a record number of layoffs.

The union which represents 103,000 classroom professionals applauded Quinn after his speech Wednesday for reforms that have reduced the cost of teacher pensions. And it says it supports efforts to raise sufficient revenue. Quinn has proposed an income tax hike. Quinn won't unveil his proposed budget until March.

### Quinn fast-tracks minimum sentence legislation

SPRINGFIELD — Illinois Gov. Pat Quinn has signed legislation requiring all inmates to serve a minimum sentence before being considered for good-conduct credit.

Legislation signed Thursday by the governor requires a 60-day minimum stay in state prison. It takes effect immediately.

The law answers a secret prisoner release program the Department of Corrections started last fall.

The agency dropped a long-standing 61-day minimum sentence and gave prisoners up to six months' good-behavior time off their terms when they entered prison.

The Associated Press revealed the practice in December.

More than 1,700 inmates were released weeks early. Some violent offenders spent only days behind bars.

The law also requires the Corrections Department to give local prosecutors 14 days' notice before releasing an offender early.

### Quinn met with Randle twice over prison release

SPRINGFIELD — Illinois Gov. Pat Quinn says he met with his corrections director twice last summer to insist that only nonviolent criminals be released early under two cost-cutting measures.

The Democrat told The (Springfield) State Journal-Register's editorial board Thursday those orders weren't followed.

More than 1,700 inmates -- some violent -- were released last fall. Some served only weeks behind bars. Quinn halted the early release program after The Associated Press revealed it last month.

But Quinn says he's satisfied with Corrections Director Michael Randle's work overall and won't fire him.

### Murder conspirator back in prison, part of roundup

SPRINGFIELD — A man convicted in a murder conspiracy but released early by the state Corrections Department is back behind bars.

Thirty-six-year-old Michael Rodriguez was part of a parole roundup ordered by Gov. Pat Quinn's administration of inmates released under the discontinued "MGT Push" plan.

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Freshman guard Ta'Kenya Nixon drives the ball to the hoop during the game against Tennessee Tech Jan. 4, at Lantz Arena.

## BOUNCES, from page 12

According to Sims, freshman guard Ta'Kenya Nixon stepped up and played a huge role in the game. She notched a double-double, scoring 16 points and a career high 17 rebounds.

The 17 boards is also a team season high.

"It's crazy because when everyone is going for the rebound and everyone is crowded around the basket, for some reason she ends up getting the ball and immediately heading down to the other end," Sims said.

Sallee said the offense is designed so that guards get more boards, but Nixon grabbing 17 is extraordinary.

Eastern padded the score at game's end, as they connected on 14-of-22 free throws.

Going into the game, Nixon said she thought the game would be big. Following it, she said it lived up to her expectations.

"Every game in conference is a big game, but for me, I thought that this was one of the biggest games for us," Nixon said. "To win it the way we did, you just have to win some close games sometimes."

While the Panthers move into second place in the OVC, they will get a chance to step into first place as they play Morehead State (13-6, 6-1 OVC) 1 p.m. Saturday at Morehead, Ky.,

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## COLUMN, from page 12

in kids and developing them." One goal falling short of Bos' initial plan is the discontinuing of the diving program. Athletic director Barbara Burke said with no certified diving coach and only three divers, it made sense to focus solely on swimming.

The handicap in the 13- and 16-event meets will be the two diving events where the Panthers will not be able to gain points

"Usually, it takes 115 to 130

points to win a dual meet, and if there is a team with a full compliment of divers, that affects about 30 points that you are down," Bos said.

With swimmers exceeding expectations and top recruits coming in, Bos is showing why he is the right man for the job.

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# STATE & NATION

## PROFESSIONAL ROUNDUP

# Blackhawks snap skid

### The Associated Press

CHICAGO — Cristobal Huet got his fourth shutout of the season and the Chicago Blackhawks scored a goal in each period Thursday night to end their modest two-game losing streak with a 3-0 victory over the Columbus Blue Jackets.

Brian Campbell, Dustin Byfuglien and Duncan Keith scored for Chicago in its final home game before an eight-game trip. The victory allowed the Blackhawks to avoid their first three-game losing streak this season.

Huet, who'd given up four third-period goals in his last start when Chicago blew a 5-1 lead in losing at Minnesota, had 24 saves. It was his 24th career shutout.

The Blackhawks got going quickly, thanks to Campbell. Kris Versteeg raced down the left side and as he reached the circle made a nice pass to the trailing Campbell, who scored from the right circle just 61 seconds into the game.

Huet blocked a hard slapper from Fedor Tyutin and then a second later snuffed a rebound attempt by Kristian Huselius to foil a second-period power play by the Blue Jackets.

Mathieu Garon stopped Byfuglien from in front after he took a nifty pass from Patrick Kane, keeping Columbus within a goal.

But minutes later, Byfuglien took a nice lead pass from John Madden,

wound up from the left circle for a slap shot and sent it sailing past Garon for a 2-0 lead at 16:40 of the second.

Keith got a pass from Patrick Sharp and his quick release shot went high past Garon for the final goal in the third. Garon had 33 saves.

### Johnson leads All-Pro team

NEW YORK — Chris Johnson didn't get any votes for MVP. He didn't miss any for The Associated Press 2009 NFL All-Pro team.

The 2,000-yard rusher from the Tennessee Titans was the only unanimous choice for the squad, announced Thursday.

He's joined in the backfield by Colts quarterback Peyton Manning, who won an unprecedented fourth Most Valuable Player Award last week, when only quarterbacks received votes.

"That'd be a good thing," said Johnson, who won the Offensive Player of the Year award Wednesday. "Because I feel like if you put a season out there, out of those dudes who got votes or the dudes who won, I wouldn't feel they had a better season than I had, and broke as many records in one season that I had."

For setting the league mark for yards from scrimmage and becoming the sixth 2,000-yard rusher in NFL history, Johnson got all 50 votes from a nationwide panel of sports writers. One other player, San Francisco inside linebacker Patrick Willis, came close

with, appropriately, 49. Cornerbacks Charles Woodson of Green Bay, the Defensive Player of the Year, and Darrelle Revis of the New York Jets each got 48, as did Oakland punter Shane Lechler.

"I just think Patrick is a very unique guy," 49ers coach Mike Singletary said. "He's a guy who's always going to be around the ball. He has the instincts. He has the speed. He can be where he wants to be."

He's on the All-Pro team for the second time in his three pro seasons. The other inside linebacker, Baltimore's Ray Lewis, made it for the seventh time.

Other veteran All-Proes include Manning, chosen for the fifth time, as were Minnesota guard Steve Hutchinson and Vikings defensive tackle Kevin Williams, and Lechler.

The Vikings had the most players on the team with four — running back Adrian Peterson and defensive end Jared Allen also made it. Next was Indianapolis with three: Manning, tight end Dallas Clark, and DE Dwight Freeney.

New Orleans (guard Jahri Evans and safety Darren Sharper), Dallas (outside linebacker DeMarcus Ware and defensive tackle Jay Ratliff), the Jets (Revis and center Nick Mangold), Denver (tackle Ryan Clady and defensive end Elvis Dumervil) and Cleveland (tackle Joe Thomas and kick returner Joshua Cribbs) had two players.

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## TRACK &amp; FIELD



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Eastern jumps coach JaRod Tobler, shown here in June 2008, is training to make the 2012 Olympics.

# California dreamin' for jumps coach

By Bob Shaughnessy  
Staff Reporter

This weekend, the Panthers will lose one of their beloved coaches as he heads to California to pursue his goal of competing in the 2012 Summer Olympic Games.

On Monday, assistant coach JaRod Tobler will leave for "The Golden State" where he will train to earn a spot on the United States' Olympic team.

In the summer of 2008, Tobler finished sixth at the US Olympic Trials in the long jump. In the trials he was second in qualifying (8.16m - 26' 9 1/4") and finished 6th overall (8.09m - 26' 6 1/2"), in the finals.

Although Tobler finished sixth in 2008, he said he thinks this is the year.

Being around the talent that Eastern recruits has showed him what being an Olympic contender is all about, according to Tobler.

"I was two places away from going to the Olympics, so that definitely sparked something more there and now I have time, and the opportunity, to get into the next Olympics and make the team and hopefully come back with the medal," Tobler said.

Tobler said he will be in Chula Vista, CA., for at least a year. If he makes enough progress, and he believes he will, he will stay there and continue to train with the team and go to London in 2012.

Tobler first started at Eastern in September of 2007.

Since then, he has coached many athletes including first-team All-OVC selection Ian Winston. Winston, who also competes in the long jump, said he believes his coach has a good shot at making the team and believes he will see him in the 2012 Olympics.

When Tobler returns from the

**"I was two places away from going to the Olympics, so that definitely sparked something more there and now I have time, and the opportunity, to get into the next Olympics and make the team and hopefully come back with the medal."**

JaRod Tobler, jumps coach

Olympics he said he hopes there is still a spot open for him on the Eastern staff.

Tobler, who attended Illinois State, was a standout jumper and competed in the 2002 NCAA Outdoor Championship. He was also the 2004 MVC Most Valuable Male Track Athlete.

After leaving, Tobler said he will keep in touch with the players and exchange texts to see how the team is doing.

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MEN'S AND WOMEN'S SWIMMING



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Junior Matt Scaliatone swims the 100-yard breaststroke on Oct. 24 in Padovan Pool. The men's and women's team will compete against Western Illinois at at 4:30 p.m today at home.

# Swimmers prepare to battle against Western

## Meet will open up Summit League action

By Bob Bajek  
Sports Editor

When the swimmers at Padovan Pool line up, mount the starting blocks and hear the buzzer sound, today, it will be a race to see who is best.

Eastern will compete against Summit League rival Western Illinois at 4:30 p.m. today, as the Panthers hope to claw a victory over the Leathernecks.

The Eastern men's team is 2-2 in dual meet action, while the women's team is 1-3. This is the first conference meet of the season for both schools.

Eastern's head swim coach Matt Bos said that Western is Eastern's biggest rival, in the state.

"This is kind of that meet where you make the schedule at the beginning of the year and this is one of the meets where it's one of the most important ones, and you want to swim your best," Bos said.

Coming off third place showings at the Tunica Invite at Tunica, Miss. last

**"We want to swim well and really the focus, at this point of the season, is to look good in the water..."**

Matt Bos, Eastern swim coach

week Bos said his squads should zone in on their races.

"We want to swim well and really the focus, at this point of the season, is to look good in the water, look sharp in the things we want to do, but at the same time we want to win," Bos said.

Freshman swimmer Joe Ciliak had a first place finish during the Tunica Invite with a time of 59.55 seconds in the 100-yard breaststroke. He said he wants to help his team dominate on Friday.

"We are going to continue training hard," Ciliak said. "Taper season is coming up, but not quite yet, so we are hitting it full force. We are just going

to go at 'em and give them all we got." Bos said that Western is a little down from past seasons due to coaching changes, affecting its continuity and team's efficiency.

"They are not quite as strong as traditionally they have been, so we are going to approach this meet as a big one for us, but at the same time, especially on the guys side, we are going to try and get some people in different events and try to challenge our people in a different way," Bos said.

Western briefly discontinued its swimming and diving program June 5 to balance its athletic department's budget, by saving \$47,930.

However, it reinstated the program 24 days later on the threat of a potential Title IX lawsuit.

Western head swim coach Greg Naumann took over the program after only two graduate assistants led the teams before this season without a coach.

Eastern will also have a home meet at 1 p.m. Saturday against Millikin University.

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PANTHER BRIEFS

## Eastern alum elected to basketball All-Decade Team

While the first decade of the 21st century has come to a close, CollegeInsider.com has selected 26 NCAA basketball players of the past ten years to be named to the Mid-Major All-Decade Team.

Included in the list is Henry Domercant, a 2002 Eastern graduate. In his career, Domercant scored 2,602 points as he became the all-time leading scorer in Panther history.

On a national scale, Domercant ranked among the top five in scoring, in the NCAA, in three of his seasons at Eastern. He ranked second in the nation in 2001 and 2002.

In the 2001 season, Domercant helped lead Eastern to its last NCAA tournament.

This past fall, Domercant was inducted into the Eastern Athletic Hall of Fame along side current Dallas Cowboys' quarterback Tony Romo, Don Neece, Sean Lyons, and Ed Corley.

Currently Domercant is playing professional basketball in Italy as a member of Montepaschi Siena.

The Eastern alum came to Siena after being named the regular season MVP of the Union of European Leagues of Basketball in the 2008 season, by averaging 20.6 points per game and shooting 57 percent from three-point land.

As of 2008, Domercant was ranked

as the 52nd most well paid basketball player in Europe, as he was making \$1.1 million per year.

Other notables from the All-Decade team include current San Diego Chargers tight end Antonio Gates, who was a two-sport athlete at Kent State as he played both basketball and football.

### Football lineman receives honor

Eastern senior center Chaz Millard was selected as a third team All-American as the Sports Network released its 2009 FCS All-American team. This was the third time the lineman from St. Charles, Ill., has been honored earning honorable mention honors in 2007 and 2008. Millard was a first team All-OVC selection in 2009 as he moved from right guard to center for the season. Millard helped anchor an offensive line that won the OVC championship and advanced to the first round of the FCS playoffs.

Millard graded out at 88 percent for the season with 61 decenter blocks.

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## STATE

### COLLEGE BASKETBALL

## Illini still face tests

The Associated Press

CHAMPAIGN — Don't rub your eyes in disbelief: Illinois is on top of the Big Ten standings with a 4-0 record, tied with No. 7 Michigan State and two games ahead of No. 6 Purdue.

So what's the big deal?

After all, three of Illinois' Big Ten wins are against Iowa, a team with six wins, rebuilding Indiana and Penn State — and the Illini pulled out a one-point miracle to beat the Nittany Lions, who haven't won in the conference.

All that's true, Illinois coach Bruce Weber acknowledges. But the Illini have a chance to prove themselves with conference powerhouses next on the schedule: Illinois travels to Michigan State on Saturday and hosts Purdue next Tuesday.

"We've beaten three Top 25 teams, should have beaten a fourth one in Gonzaga," Weber said Thursday, making a case for why the Illini could win one or both of those games.

"I think we have the ability to do it," he said, then trailed off by adding, "Whether we have the toughness, the gumption ..."

Lately, the Illini have shown signs that they may have a tough streak, even if they've had to fall behind Indiana and Penn State to do it.

Illinois trailed by eight in the second half before pulling ahead in the final minutes and holding off the Nittany Lions with tough, desperate defense.

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### VIEWS



Bob Bajek

## Second lap proves coach's value

The first lap around the pool ended last year for second-year Eastern swim coach Matt Bos as he is rebuilding the men's and women's squads.

The second lap has seen some good and bad coming Bos' goals from last year.

When I interviewed the former San Antonio Wave coach, last season, he wanted to chance the training program by making it more rigorous.

What Bos does is have the swimmers build an aerobic background and work on technique and distance swimming, early in the season. Mid-season concentrates on racing shorter distances with less break time.

The latter part of the year blends the two styles, so the athletes can torpedo through the Summit League Championships.

Senior swimmer Lauren Zillmer, who swam for long-time swim coach Ray Padovan, said Bos has been a great coach.

"Actually, we are improving a lot," Zillmer said. "The training is a lot different, so it's actually benefiting everyone. I haven't seen anyone getting worse. I've dropped a lot of time in my events, so that's good. I just feel more fit, in general," Zillmer said.

Zillmer has shaved off time in her events, and she won two individual events and a relay at the Tunica Invite, last weekend.

She also is in position to break the school record for the women's 100-yard freestyle of 52.73 seconds, which she fell short of achieving by 0.13 seconds, last season.

"I'm hoping to get top eight in my three events at conference," Zillmer said.

Besides Zillmer, the Panther swimmers all are extremely motivated to continue improving each meet.

Padovan, who is now a volunteer assistant, said Bos knows what he is doing and is happy that his former swimmers have great times in mid-season.

"We are definitely well ahead of where I thought we would be when I got here," Bos said of year two. "Particularly the men's team with its big class of freshman, this year. We have had a couple transfers come in as sophomores. We have a real good core of young guys that we can really build upon right now."

One of those freshmen is walk-on sensation Joe Ciliak, who Bos said will be a huge part of the men's team during the next three years.

Bos said the women's squad is getting there by bringing in good, quality athletes. The women have a smaller group of freshmen, but Bos thinks they can improve greatly.

Recruitment has been going well with the coach focusing on the Chicago-land area, which he said is one of the strongest, and best, regions in the nation for high school and club swimming.

The program, however, does not have much scholarship money to replace everyone right away.

"We're not a team that can replace everyone we're losing," Bos said.

"To get a really good class is going to be a challenge, but we are doing a good job bringing

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### WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

## Eastern bounces back for the win

By Alex McNamee  
Assistant Sports Editor

After the Eastern women's basketball team got off to a 2-0 lead, 23 seconds into Thursday night's road contest against Eastern Kentucky (8-8, 5-2 Ohio Valley Conference), it soon found itself trailing, 15-2.

The Panthers (9-8, 5-1 OVC) made only one of their first 12 shots of the game, until a 10-0 run of their own got them back into the game and helped them pull off a 60-50 victory.

According to head coach Brady Sallee, a couple of easy buckets

broke the ice and got the Panthers back to executing their game plan.

"We did get rattled," Sallee said. "They jumped us pretty good and we didn't handle it real well. The biggest thing was that we started getting stops on our end and turning them into transition points."

Senior guard Dominique Sims was one player that led Eastern on its run, hitting a couple of shots. Sims finished the game with 17 points and eight rebounds.

"I think the 10-0 run was very important, especially the way the game was going," Sims said. "We weren't executing and our defense wasn't particularly great at that

point, so we were just like 'OK, we need to step it up and start getting on a run' and that's what we did."

By halftime, Eastern had the game within its grasp as it trailed EKV 23-21. The message during halftime, Sallee said, was to get tougher and start hitting the boards harder.

"We got our post players in foul trouble and (senior forward) Maggie (Kloak) sitting down really hurt us," he said. "I challenged them to turn the game around... As the game went on, our domination on the boards and our ability to be tough when we needed to be made the game."

With Kloak in foul trouble, freshman guard Kelsey Wyss and freshman forward Mariah King came into the game and played long minutes.

"I definitely think (Wyss) played hard, played well, and played a lot of minutes," Sallee said. "I thought she defended really well on the ball and she was tough. So she gave us a big lift."

Sallee said senior forward Marie Baker and sophomore guard Madeline Kish played some big roles.

The Panthers tied the game at 23 just seconds into the half and never looked back by scoring 39 second half points.

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### MEN'S BASKETBALL

## Panthers stuck in neutral

### Eastern drops second road contest on trip

By Bob Bajek  
Sports Editor

Eastern Kentucky came into Thursday's contest looking to extend its 16-game home winning streak in Richmond, Ky. while Eastern stood in its way.

The Colonels (12-6, 5-2 Ohio Valley Conference) tamed the Panthers, defeating Eastern 67-59 to gain sole possession of third place in the OVC.

Beginning the game quickly, Eastern leaped out to a 12-10 advantage thanks to the hot play of junior guard Tyler Laser.

Laser's three-point shot moved his team ahead early on. Of the Panthers' first 12 points, Laser scored 10, shooting 4-of-6.

But after that the charge commenced with the Colonels slashing for a 14-0 run, holding Eastern scoreless for over four and a half minutes.

The deficit increased, and at the half the score was 37-24 as EKV shot 9-of-12 from the floor.

Eastern head coach Mike Miller said in his postgame interview on WEIU-FM that his squad played poorly.

"The major issues were one, we played with zero identity tonight," Miller said. "Zero. There was nothing on that floor that you look at and say this is the identity; this is what we do."

"The second thing is the start that we got off to, we just had a lot of breakdowns to start the game on both ends of the floor. We didn't give ourselves a chance."

Miller said at halftime he told his players they needed to play exceptional in the second half in order to beat Eastern Kentucky.

The Colonels prevented a come-



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Sophomore forward James Hollowell looks for a teammate to pass the ball to during the games against Tennessee Tech on Jan 4. at Lantz Arena.

back by scoring on its first four possessions and shooting 63 percent from the field in the second half.

Later in the contest, Eastern Kentucky held the Panthers scoreless for nearly five minutes with a 12-point edge.

"We couldn't make a play," Miller said. "Our coverage was not very good."

Laser led all scorers with 21 points on 8-of-17 shooting. He was 5-of-7 from downtown as Eastern hit 10-of-

18 three-pointers.

Colonel senior guard Papa Opong led Eastern Kentucky with 18 points on 7-of-9 shooting and five rebounds.

Panthers' senior center Ousmane Cisse had seven rebounds as the team compiled 26 total, but he played only six minutes in the first half because of foul trouble.

One of the differences in the game was protection the ball as Eastern had 13 turnovers — 10 in the first

half — and 13 assists in the game. The Colonels had 12 turnovers and 16 assists.

Miller's team will face the defending conference tournament champions, Morehead State (11-6, 6-1 OVC) at 4:30 p.m. Saturday in Morehead, Ky.

The Eagles thumped Southeast Missouri 80-40 Thursday.

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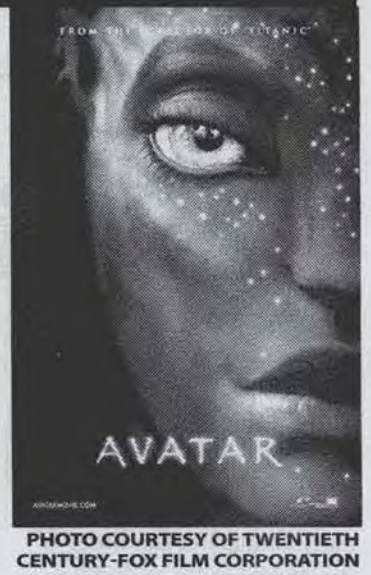
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# New semester brings new music to campus

## LOCAL BANDS REVAMP WITH NEW SONGS AND GUEST SPOTS



ALYCIA ROCKEY | ON THE VERGE

Kat Slawson, a sophomore music performance major sings with band Andy Van Slyke at Stu's on Thursday.

By Colleen Kitka  
Assistant Verge Editor

With a new semester under way local bands are gearing up for shows and recordings with fresh melodies, original lyrics and distinctive textures.

Andy Van Slyke's goal is to keep performances and recordings crisp and energetic.

This semester the band will be incorporating new instruments into its music like the melodica, a blow-organ instrument with an attached keyboard.

Andy Van Slyke is also working with Mike Block from the Staff Blues band to record saxophone parts.

Dustin Sendejas, of St. Louis, from the band Arts and Sciences, will make guest appearances to play the keyboard and melodica.

Bassist Matt Schumake, a senior English major, for Andy Van Slyke said they are currently working on three new songs and recording other songs crowds have been receptive to at shows.

Andy Van Slyke plans to have new recordings out by early February.

Schumake said they record everything themselves "in-house."

"We don't have the greatest equipment, but we are not going

for a massive produced sound," Schumake said. "We want to keep it the natural sound of the band, and doing it with what we have."

Andy Van Slyke plays at 8 p.m. Jan. 23 at the Paper Café.

The Staff Blues band has a similar game plan this semester. They currently are working on three original songs and are expecting to debut them at their next few performances.

The band will also incorporate guest musicians and vocalists for various songs at different performances and recordings.

"It just depends what the song needs," singer Sean Walker said. "If the song needs something else, then we will add it. If not, then not."

Walker, a senior art major, said good friend and fiddle player, Cassie Grabowski, will make guest appearances to add an extra layer to the music.

Staff Blues will be releasing their second album with five to seven original songs this semester.

Since its last album was released, the new pieces take inspiration from life experiences.

You can listen to the Staff Blues band at 10 p.m. Friday at Top of the Roc.

Little Boy Jr. also brings more

to the local music scene.

Singer, songwriter and guitarist for Little Boy Jr., Dan Lazzarotto, said the band is making the most of the last semester because many band members are seniors.

"It is the cumulating semester of everything we've done down here," Lazzarotto said. "We have a new drummer and many seniors are leaving."

In fact, all the musicians are seniors.

Lazzarotto, a senior English major, feels the band is more mature now that band members often practiced individually and together over break.

Lazzarotto and guitarist and singer Joe Courtney, a senior English major, did most of the songwriting, then each member "scratches out their individual piece."

Little Boy Jr. is now ready to start recording with the hopes of producing up to 20 new songs, according to Lazzarotto.

One of Little Boy Jr.'s first performances of the new year will be at Stu's on Wednesday at 10 p.m.

Bands will be playing every Wednesday at Stu's.

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# No terror needed, to tell us

Embarking on a new semester can be stressful for any student. I have begun to feel this already with my new position as the spring On the Verge editor.

One of the most useful ways I have found to relax is through arts and entertainment. Even though it is in my job description to listen to and watch the latest music and movie releases, I still find the entertainment realm to be enjoyable and intriguing.

With that being said, I can't hear or watch everything. This is where I ask you, the reader, to help me through my stress.

This semester I hope to get more of your feedback. I want you to tell me what the On The Verge staff should be watching or listening to.

As a student entertainment publication, On The Verge should not dictate what you are listening to. We print for the reader and therefore the reader should have a say in what we cover or what we have been missing in our coverage.

If there is a band the read-



**Brad York**

er has been listening to that you feel more people should be taking notice of, please tell us.

If there is a concert you feel we should be covering, tell us.

If there is a movie you are questioning whether to go see, tell us.

If there is an art exhibit that has changed your perception of what makes good or even bad art, tell us.

We will make mistakes, and we will miss some of the best, tell us and inform us where we need to make adjustments or additions.

We can't always agree with the reader's tastes, but as a staff we promise to tell you our honest opinions in our reviews in a fair and respectful manner.

No event or release is too small

or too big. We are open to every style of music, film, theater and art.

Don't be afraid that your tastes and preferences will be judged. On any campus there is bound to be someone who feels the same way as you in any particular subject.

Feel free to e-mail me, call me or stop in the newsroom in Buz-zard Hall. If I am not in, I assure you the staff will get in touch with me in a timely manner.

On The Verge goes into print every Friday; this means we stay at least a week ahead of any event happening. If there is something you want to notify us of, don't hesitate. Tell us as early as possible and we will keep in touch as the event gets closer to the performance date.

It is my hope that this semester we will learn from you as much as you hopefully learn from us. Great art can slip through the cracks, but with all our eyes open, we can see more and cover more.

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# Student's favorite songs of 2009



**Adrian Pickett**

Senior corporate communications major

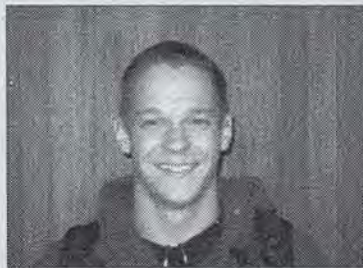
"I would have to pick 'Already Home' by Jay-Z. The beat came on nice and strong, and it's something that just kind of gets you in the mood. If everything is going wrong, you put 'Already Home' on, and it just puts you in a groove. You can't help but rock your head to it."



**Katie Ozark**

Freshman special education major

"I'm going to go a little out there and say Michael Buble's 'Haven't Met You Yet.' I listened to that on repeat so many times. It just makes you happy. You can't help but smile when you listen to it."



**Jake Lambert**

Senior special education major

"I would have to think about it for a while, but I would have to say 'Out Last Night' by Kenny Chesney. It's recalling your night almost. Every time you listen to it, it just reminds you of good times and the good times you had last night."



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# Our favorite songs from '09



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## 1. Use Somebody - Kings of Leon

The second single off the band's fourth studio album, "Only by the Night," made everyone sing in desperation for the affection of a significant other. This song alone catapulted the band to instant stardom and attributed to the band's four Grammy nominations, including Song of the Year.

## 2. Bad Romance - Lady Gaga

Ooh-La-La. No 2009 list could be complete without an appearance from the new Queen of Pop. The first single off of her second studio album, "The Fame Monster," affirmed the world that the delightfully corky Gaga was here to stay. Upon its release on Nov. 14 the single debuted at No. 9 on Billboard's Hot 100 standing as Gaga's highest debut.

## 3. Empire State of Mind - Jay-Z

If you didn't know Jay-Z was from New York, you do now. Hova, with the help of featured artist Alicia Keys, reintroduced the listener to what hometown pride is all about for one of the largest cities in the world. Not since Frank Sinatra's "New York, New York" has anyone made the nation jealous that they don't live in the city that never sleeps. The track off Jay-Z's eleventh studio album, "The Blueprint 3," reached number one on Billboard's Hot 100, making it his only No. 1 spot as lead artist ever.

## 4. Boom Boom Pow - Black Eyed Peas

Coming from the band that brought listener's club favorites like "Let's Get Retarded" and "My Humps" the band's fifth studio album, "The E.N.D.," was sure to have at least one bass-knocking, beat-driven smash hit. The group didn't disappoint with its first chart topping single. The single claimed this spot for 12 consecutive weeks, which made it the second longest running single in 2009.

## 5. Party in the U.S.A - Miley Cyrus

No matter someone's personal feelings toward Miley Cyrus or Hanna Montana, no one can deny the success of this infectious song. Written by Lukasz Gottwald, Claude Kelly and Jessica Cornish, the song made listeners believe that quality songs can come from any artist.

*Music is something that is forever changing. Some artists come while others go. Everyone has their own taste on what they think makes for the best listenings. We compiled this list of songs after asking you, the readers, what your favorite songs from 2009 were. After seeing the results and with input from our staff and other year-end lists, we narrowed the field to these ten songs. Some will agree with our choices and many will disagree with the choices. Feel free to comment and tell us what you think.*

-On the Verge staff

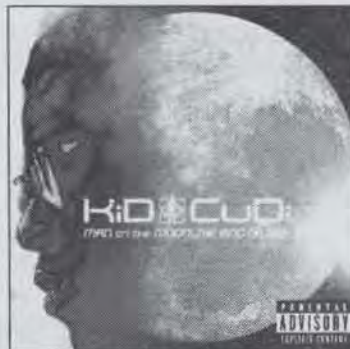


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## 6. Make Her Say - Kid Cudi

Sampled from an acoustic rendition of Lady Gaga's "Poker Face" and with a raunchy rapper's mind, Kid Cudi soon made everyone in the nation say "oh, oh-oh-oooh." With Kanye West producing and a verse from Common, the track was sure to make it on the charts, the only question was where. The song debuted at No. 51 on Billboard's Hot 100 and only climbed to No. 43.



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## 7. My Girls - Animal Collective

Psychedelic music was revived with the band's first single off the album "Merriweather Post Pavilion." The song was originally set to be a promo CD only, but with the help from critics nation wide the single soon found a home in music lovers worldwide. With electronic music backings and a Beatles influenced vocal styling, the song quickly became a favorite for hipsters and hippies alike.

## 8. You Belong With Me - Taylor Swift

Taylor Swift has the unique ability to draw in the most unlikely of fans while staying true to her country music roots. Not since Garth Brooks has anyone in the country music industry come close to a cross genre sensation as this 20-year-old has. The song peaked at No. 12 on Billboard's Hot 100 made closet-crushers throughout the United States sing at the top of their lungs.

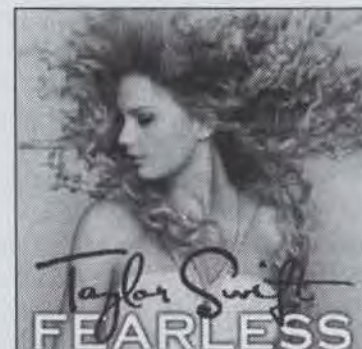


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## 9. I Love College - Asher Roth

With chants such as freshman, keg-stand and chug, it was understood Asher Roth had an A+ hit with students on every campus in the country. Similar to Eminem's lyrical flow, Roth proved that another white-boy could spit rhymes.

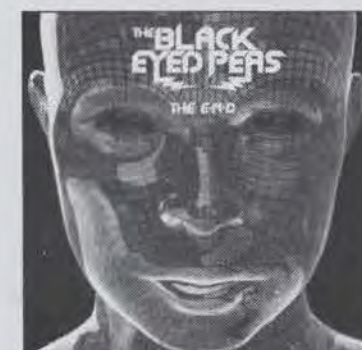


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## 10. I'm On Boat - The Lonely Island

With no water source necessary, this single made listeners dream of riding on large yachts with the wind whipping through their hair going five knots. Starting simply as a "Saturday Night Live" skit, the song quickly became a summer favorite and climbed to No. 56 on Billboard's Hot 100 before sinking in the chilled airs of fall. The group kept us, as well as them, laughing all the way to the bank as they generated instant success through immature themes for songs and clever rhymes.



# Cameron stuns visually once again

**Rating: B**

By Collin Whitchurch  
Managing Editor

Is it possible for a film that cost nearly a half-billion dollars to make and was made by a filmmaker whose last film grossed more than a billion dollars to exceed expectations?

Well, not quite. Visually, "Avatar" does for film what "Star Wars" did 32 years ago. It did what "2001: A Space Odyssey" did 41 years ago. It did what "King Kong" did 76 years ago.

It's a monumental masterpiece by James Cameron, creator of another epic, "Titanic," which made a King Kong-sized \$1.8 billion after it was released more than 12 years ago.

But "Avatar" takes filmmaking to another level. It uses a new brand of 3-D and CGI techniques to bring a visual

masterpiece never seen before.

Many wondered if it would work. It was well documented throughout the filmmaking process that Cameron's film would cost something of an arm and a leg. But could it really look that good?

In a single word: Yes. Cameron creates a completely new world in the moon-like Pandora, which humans have overtaken in an attempt to foster a large oil supply while studying the lengthy, blue creatures, the Na'vi, that inhabit it.

The entire universe is created through CGI technology, and it looks breathtaking, as the viewer is taken through the incredible land — even more so in 3-D.

The only problem with "Avatar" is its relatively weak story. It's about as cliché as one can get, but in today's filmmaking

day and age, why spend an inordinate period of time with a story when you can wow the masses with space-age technology.

Obviously, the public doesn't mind. As of Tuesday, "Avatar" had already grossed \$1.3 billion worldwide, trailing only — you guessed it — "Titanic" for the all-time No. 1 spot.

While the story lacks, it hardly matters. "Avatar" is a visual masterpiece that should not be missed. The generation of people who see it will tell their kids about when they saw it in theaters like our parents tell us about "Star Wars," and their parents tell them about "King Kong."

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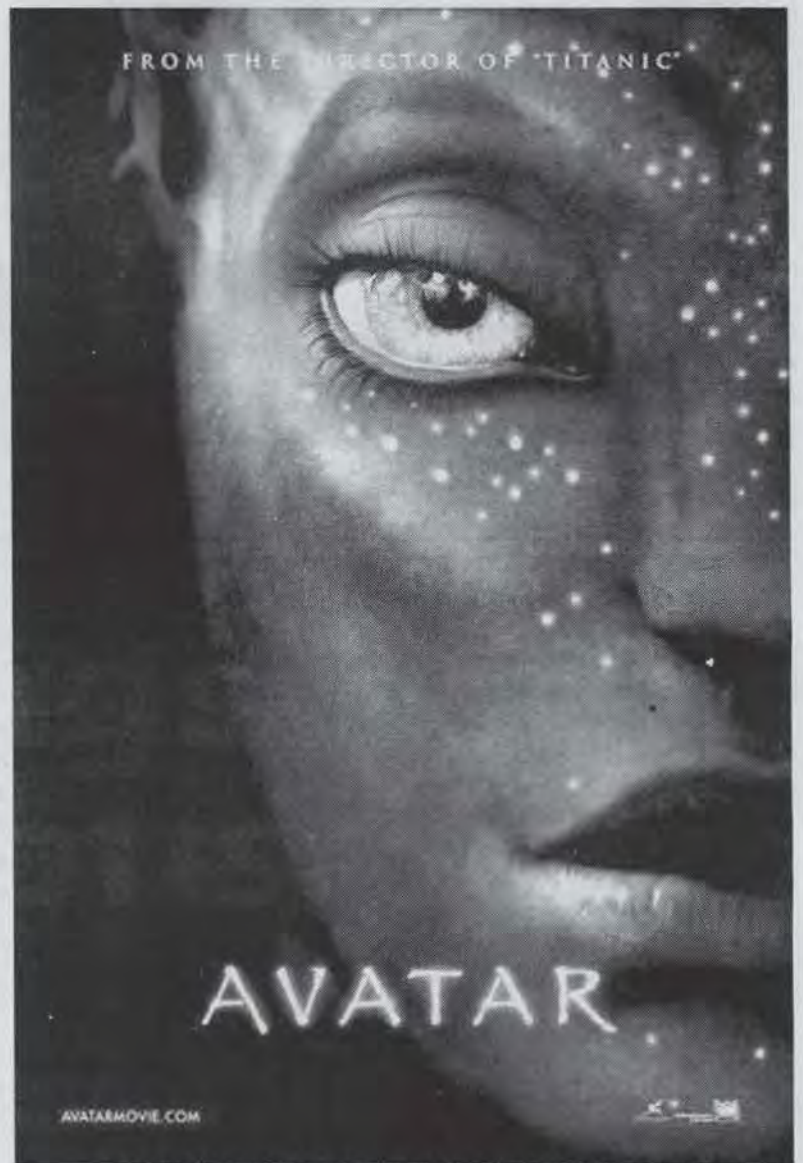


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# Psychedelic day dreaming with Animal Collective on new EP

BAND REMINISCENT OF BEATLES WHILE FUSING FOLK AND ELECTRONIC ASPECTS

**Rating: B-**



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Psychedelic music has changed throughout the years as technology has evolved. Animal Collective is leading the charge on the new age of psychedelic-themed music.

On the band's latest EP titled "Fall be Kind," the band fuses Beatles-esque lyrics and voices while staying founded in an electronica-based dreamscape of sounds and melodies.

The album, originally released digitally, features Avey Tare (David Portner), Panda Bear (Noah Lennox), Geologist (Brian Weitz) and Deakin (Josh Dibb) as they enlighten listeners on a journey in sound that offers an escape from the dilemmas and stress of reality.

The opening track "Graze" makes the listener feel as though the heyday the drug-experimenting Beatles has just reached the mass audience. The lyrics start with "Let me

begin. It feels good 'cause it's early. Ease open my eyes and let the light in." The track is a perfect opening song as the music begins in a tone as though the listener is still dreaming. Midway through the song the listener is broken from the dream with carnival-themed flutes and lyrics begging, "Where has the comfort gone?"

The highlight of the album is the song "What Would I Want? Sky." The song features a sample of "Unbroken Chain" by the Grateful Dead, although it is faintly reminiscent of the original.

The song begins with ambient tones that lead into deep thumps of bass as the spacious vocals begin to repeat "good dreams." The voyage of the song builds in anticipation as the bass stops and the music rings out nearly halfway through the track.

The song is reintroduced with the same thump and a newly acquired lighthearted

rhythm. The infectious lyrics "What would I want? Sky" steadily repeats throughout the song and guarantees the listener will joyfully be hearing the song in his head the rest of the day.

Many of the tracks don't truly turn into great songs until the listener has listened to the song in its entirety. The band hopes each song is a progressive movement in desired emotions the listener feels through the music itself.

The EP is about 27 minutes long and has five songs on it. It feels as though it is only a dream or possibly a short break from napping until Animal Collective releases its next studio album.

Animal Collective could have been restless when producing this album, but in its yearning for sleep it leaves the listener asking blissfully, "What just happened?"

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