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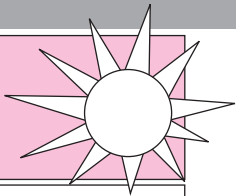
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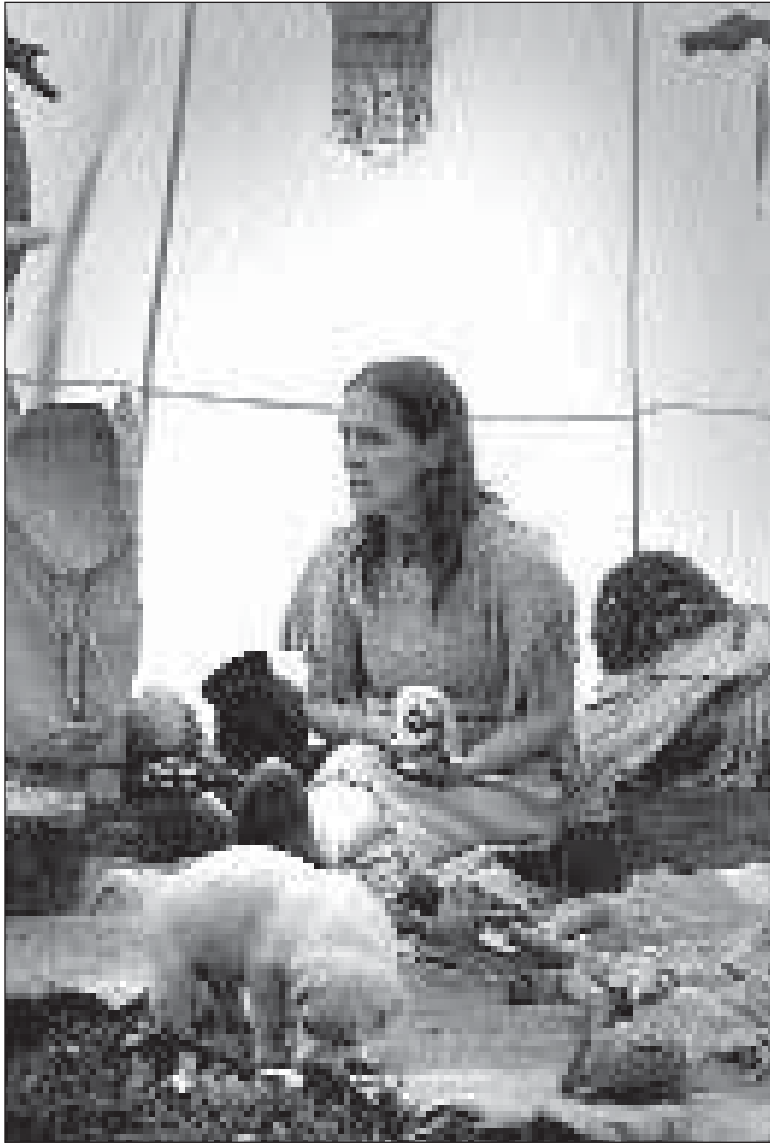


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JOHN COX/ Photo editor

The Indian way

Lyn Young-Buck, of Fox, Chirachua Apache and Cherokee ancestry, talks to Eastern students and faculty while her dog, Shunkalah, amuses herself Friday afternoon in a tepee Young-Buck set up in the Library Quad. Shunkalah is a Lakota name that means "doglit" or "little dog." For more on Young-Buck, see Page 5.

Cheerleader killed in weekend crash

Drunk driver claims life of 'very happy' girl

By MELANIE McCLAIN
Staff writer

An Eastern cheerleader was killed Friday in a two-car accident in Vandalia after a pickup truck landed on top of the vehicle she was riding in.

Freshman Leigh-Ann Metzger, 19, was pronounced dead by the Fayette County coroner shortly after 10 p.m. at the scene of the accident. According to the Vandalia Police Department, Kelly C. Horton, 19, was driving with Metzger when they were hit.

Horton, formerly of Vandalia and a student at Southern Illinois University at Carbondale, died at the scene.

Cheer Team adviser Andrew White said Metzger, who was an education major, will dearly be missed.

"I called her Miss Bubbly," White said. "She was only 4 feet 8 inches, and 97 pounds ... I always remarked she had a book bag as big as she was."

She had bright eyes, was willing to learn and was very eager," White added. "Her parents told me she lived for cheerleading."



Leigh-Ann Metzger

Bruce Bowen, Metzger's stepfather, said the incident was a tragedy.

"It is a tragedy," Bowen said. "Maybe it will (wake) some people up and make them think (about drinking and driving).

"These things happen," he added. "We don't understand why, but they do."

Horton was northbound on U.S. 51 and approaching a stop sign when Rocky Bennyhoff lost control of his 1992 Ford truck on the southbound ramp of U.S. 40 leading to U.S. 51, the Vandalia police said.

Bennyhoff drove his truck off the left side of a ramp, over a steep embankment, went airborne and then landed on top of Horton's 1986 Pontiac.

Bennyhoff was taken to Fayette County Hospital where he remains in stable condition, a hospital spokeswoman said.

The Illinois State Police said Bennyhoff is charged with two counts of reckless homicide.

The Decatur Herald and Review reported he also was charged with driving under the influence, failure to reduce speed to avoid an accident, failure to use a seat belt and improper lane usage.

White said the cheer team is taking Metzger's death "very hard."

"They bond. They've been practicing together since mid-September, two hours every day, Monday through Friday," White said.

"She worked very hard and was a conscientious student," he said. "We'll have to remember her for the person she was. She will be missed."

White said Eastern is not going to replace Metzger's position on the cheer team.

Sophomore Chris Testone, a member of the junior varsity Cheer Team, remembered Metzger as a "very happy person."

"She was a little cutie," he said. "If you asked her a question or talked to her she would totally brighten up."

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Colonel to talk about army's policy on gays

By BRITT CARSON
Staff writer

The highest-ranking officer ever to challenge the U.S. military's stand on homosexuality will be on campus Monday to discuss her experiences of being a lesbian in the Army.

Col. Margarethe Cammermeyer, author of the book "Serving in Silence," which became a television movie of the same name, will speak at 8 tonight in the University Ballroom in the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union.



Margarethe Cammermeyer

Admission to the presentation is \$1 for students with ID's and \$3 to the general public.

Cammermeyer's book documents her military career, legal battles and personal struggle with being a lesbian in the Army.

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Students want to dispel feminist myths

By MELANIE McCLAIN
Staff writer

Jennifer Lewitan and Julie Ferris are proud to be feminists.

The duo are co-chairs of a new women's studies group, People Offering Women's Equality and Rights, which they co-founded at the end of last year.

Lewitan, a sophomore psychology major and women's studies minor, and Ferris, a senior sociology major and women's studies minor, agree that many people have a misconception of what a feminist really is.

"It is important to know that we're not men bashers and we're not all lesbians," Ferris said. "POWER is a good definition of what a feminist is."

Lewitan agreed. "A feminist is anyone who believes in equality for all."

POWER will hold a group discussion Oct. 26, National Young Women's Day of Action, in the South Quad "to let people know what they're all about."



"Our crusade is to educate Eastern," Ferris said. "Women need to realize that there are quite a few people who don't take a positive outlook on what women can do, so (women) need to do it themselves."

Lewitan said she came up with the idea for POWER after listening to a speaker who gave a lecture about the Kent State massacre last year and spoke about a need for student activists.

"He really got me going," Lewitan said. "I said 'yeah, we (this campus) needs something that is politically based.' I knew Julie would be a good person to work with because she is opinionated and speaks her mind."

Although POWER has not

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CHET PIOTROWSKI/Staff photographer

Students Jennifer Lewitan (left) and Julie Ferris say they started People Offering Women's Equality and Rights (POWER) because they felt like women's issues needed a stronger voice on Eastern's campus.

Black men begin gathering for march

Participants say event more than march – it's a movement

WASHINGTON (AP) – Black men converging on the nation's capital for Monday's Million Man March described it as a unifying, uplifting event that transcends its controversial originator, Nation of Islam leader Louis Farrakhan said.

"It's not about a march, a man, words. It's about a movement," the Rev. Vernor Clay said after a Sunday sermon urging the men of Lincoln Congregational Temple in Washington to attend.

The event, actually more of a rally and prayer meeting than march, is called "a day of atonement and reconciliation." Supporters describe it as a call for black men to take responsibility for their own lives and families, and to dedicate themselves to fighting the scourges of drugs, violence and unemployment.

Organizers asked women – and men who can't come to the rally – to stay home from work or school to mark a "holy day," and to avoid spending any money as a demon-

“It's not about a march, a man, words. It's about a movement.”

**— Rev. Vernor Clay,
Lincoln Congregational Temple**

stration of black economic power. No one knows how many will take part.

The idea originated with Farrakhan, and he has been its chief organizer, with the help of ousted NAACP chief Benjamin Chavis Jr.

But it has attracted a wide coalition of support, including Jesse Jackson, Rosa Parks and several black members of Congress and mayors and ministers. Many say it's unfair now to characterize it as Farrakhan's event.

"It was his idea, he dropped the seeds," said Clarence White, a postal worker who traveled from

San Antonio, Texas, for the rally. "But it's no longer his. It's ours." Scattered early arrivals – black men of all ages and several women, too – milled about the event site on the National Mall.

Several exchanged greetings of "Brother!" or "Hey, black man!" Vendors hawked T-shirts and hats that said "One in a million," and city crews began closing some streets along the Mall.

Three members of the Coalition for Jewish Concerns appeared on the Mall with signs that said "David Duke and Louis Farrakhan – two sides of the same coin." They got in a brief shouting match with some black passers by.

Farrakhan's remarks have infuriated Jews, Catholics, gays, feminists and others. He has called Judaism a "gutter religion" and recently defended his use of the term "bloodsuckers" to describe Jews or others who open businesses in minority communities and take the profits elsewhere.

Farrakhan canceled all his public appearances Sunday to prepare for the rally.

Huge speakers and giant video screens were being set up on the grassy Mall Sunday afternoon, and yellow tape marked the spot behind the Capitol where organizers planned to erect a stage.

Crowds were expected to begin converging on the Mall soon after midnight. Some city subway stations were opening at 12:30 a.m., five hours earlier than usual, to accommodate them.

Activities start at 5 a.m. with prayer and African drumming, followed by speeches, music and more prayer throughout the day.

50,000 struggle to survive in Bosnia

BANJA LUKA, Bosnia-Herzegovina (AP) – Fighting ebbed Sunday in northwestern Bosnia, where up to 50,000 exhausted Serbs were struggling to survive after fleeing advances by government and Croat forces.

In a bitter twist in the 3-year-long war, many of the refugees are now at Omarska, the site of one of the most notorious prison camps set up when Serb rebels overran much of Bosnia in 1992.

A field hospital has been treating both civilians and soldiers wounded in the latest fighting. Aid workers say some older refugees are dying, apparently exhausted after being uprooted by rapid shifts in front lines in northern Bosnia in the past six weeks.

The U.S.-brokered truce that started Thursday was largely observed throughout the country, U.N. officials said Sunday. The Muslim-led Bosnian government claimed on Saturday that it was halting its offensive, amid reports Serbia had to threaten to send in the Yugoslav army.

A mechanized Croatian army unit, including 22 tanks, was crossing from Bosnia back into Croatia on Sunday, U.N. spokeswoman Leah Melnick said in Zagreb. In addition, more than 2,500 crack Croatian troops moved away from positions along Bosnia's northern border with Croatia on Saturday, he said.

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been approved as a recognized student organization, Lewitan and Ferris have held meetings and have collected a phone list of about 25 men and women interested in participating in POWER.

"We had our first two meetings in the Union and one at my place," Lewitan said. "In about three more weeks we'll be recognized by the university as an organization."

Lewitan said the organization will address issues that concern women today. "It will address issues that pertain to college women going out in the real world, breaking those glass ceil-

“It will address issues that pertain to college women going out in the real world, breaking those glass ceilings and just breaking norms and stereotypes.”

**— Jennifer Lewitan
Co-founder, POWER**

ings and just breaking norms and stereotypes."

While both said they consider themselves leaders, although Lewitan described herself as an outgoing, strong, assertive individual while Ferris described

herself as a creative, active, energetic and argumentative individual.

"I like to take leadership qualities," Lewitan said. "It came natural for both of us (to start POWER). We didn't have

any struggles because ideas were always popping up."

Lewitan said POWER encourages women that they can accomplish whatever they want to do.

"They should know they can live up to everything that society expects them to be," she said. "They should know that they can go with what they believe in and never let anything stand in the way."

Ferris said POWER also serves as a support group for women. "Women can come here and say 'listen to how I was discriminated' or 'listen to what I did today.'"

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lesbian in the military, and the discrimination she faced, and her new book," said Anne Hofferkamp, the Human Potential Committee Coordinator for the University Board.

Cammermeyer's story attracted national attention when the television movie, "Serving in Silence," starring Glenn Close and Judy Davis, aired in February.

"We thought having Cammermeyer speak would be something good and educational on an issue people have to be able to accept," Hofferkamp said. "I expect a good turnout and think she will be well-received by Eastern students."

Cammermeyer was a nurse during the Vietnam war and rose to the rank of colonel. She was dismissed last

year after admitting she was a lesbian during a top-secret clearance interview.

She has since been reinstated and is serving as Chief Nurse in the Washington State Guard until a judge decides on an appeal on her case.

She has received numerous decorations including, "Nurse of the Year" by the Army Reserves, the Meritorious Service Medal of the Army Reserves and "Woman of the Year" by the Woman's Army Corps Veterans.

Hofferkamp said this is the first speaker UB has sponsored dealing with the issue of being gay in the military. The event is co-sponsored by the UB Human Potential and Lecture Committees.

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Sophomore Chanel Rentfrow, a varsity cheerleader, said Metzger was a girl who was filled with energy.

"It was shocking to me. I just talked to her Thursday at practice," said Rentfrow. "She was really sweet. She didn't talk a lot, but she seemed to have a lot of energy."

White said the junior varsity cheer team, which consists of 13

members, will serve as honorary pallbearers at Metzger's funeral on Tuesday. Each member will wear their Eastern cheer team uniform.

The wake for Metzger will be held from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m., Monday at Hohlt-File Funeral Home in Vandalia.

The funeral will be at 10 a.m. Tuesday at the First Baptist Church in Vandalia.

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Week presentation 'intoxicating'

Volunteers will drink four beers to show alcohol levels

By REAGAN BRANHAM
Activities editor

Throughout the week, a presentation will ask volunteers to drink four beers in an hour to show students how much alcohol is necessary to become legally drunk as part of the National Alcohol Awareness Week.

The demonstration, "DUI - Can You Beat It?," is being held at 8 p.m. tonight in the Stevenson Hall lobby; 7 p.m. Tuesday in the Andrews Hall lobby; 8 p.m. Wednesday in the Carman Hall lobby and 8 p.m. Thursday in the

Ford Hall lobby to recognize the national week increasing knowledge of the effects of alcohol.

Students who are of legal age and have consented to participate in the program will drink exactly four beers in an hour and be given several sobriety tests, said Todd Heinen, health education coordinator.

The students will then be given sobriety tests including the breathalyzer, walking a straight line and reciting their ABC's, he said.

"Even if you can go through some of the sobriety tests, if you blow .10 (blood alcohol content) you lose," Heinen said. "There is a misconception that you can beat the system because your motor skills are okay, but you can't beat it," Heinen said.

Angie Churchill, co-chair of the alcohol awareness week committee, said although the program is meant to be fun, it does have a serious message.

"They get so drunk it's hilarious, but you also have to think they are on the streets driving," she said.

Heinen said the program is a highly supervised way for students to understand that they can't beat the system.

Drinking participants had to undergo about an hour of training to detail what is expected of them and are not allowed to go out after the demonstration.

Michael Ealy, a security police officer for the university police, will be giving the sobriety tests.

Also as part of the weeks' events, Thomas Hall will be sponsoring a slide show, "A Cold Hard Look At Reality," presented by Coles County Coroner John Shilling at 8 p.m. Tuesday in the Thomas Hall lobby.

Heinen said the show is very graphic, and students will be warned that the slides are not a toned down version of the effects of drinking and driving.

Faculty club, opening evaluations topics of Faculty Senate meeting

By CHAD GALLAGHER
Administration editor

The Faculty Senate is expected to discuss old-business issues, such as the possible formation of an informal faculty club and opening faculty evaluations to the public on Tuesday.

The senate meets at 2 p.m. Tuesday in the BOG Room of Booth Library.

Senate member Roger Beck said he would like to discuss the idea of forming a faculty club to allow an informal setting for faculty to meet and converse.

"It has been discussed before - but I would like to have a faculty club to meet people in different departments," Beck said. "It would be an informal setting where faculty could go to have meals and say, 'Let's get together at the faculty club.'"

Beck said the club would be similar to the University Club, a social group of Eastern affiliates who plan activities and discuss concerns, but would consist entirely of faculty.

"It wouldn't be an elitist group, just a place to get together and talk," Beck said.

Senate Vice-Chairman Gary Foster said a similar faculty group existed on campus at one time, and he likes the idea of initiating another.

"It would be a social type of function that would help boost identity and morale of the faculty," Foster said. "It's a place where faculty and interested parties can go to discuss issues and concerns in an informal forum."

The senate may decide to formulate a committee to pursue the possibilities of a new faculty club, Foster added.

The senate is also expected to discuss the issue of faculty evaluations by students.

Last week, the senate also concluded it would probably not be possible to release official faculty evaluations because of contractual reasons.

Evaluations are kept private because they are used for tenure, promotion and other evaluation issues within departments, Beck said at last Tuesday's senate meeting.

Foster said the senate will not likely take pro-active action, but will rather review any ideas the Student Senate or other parties will have on the issue.

Student Senate contends time spent in Student Activities Office is efficient

By SCOTT BOEHMER
Student government editor

Student Senate members say they are working to ensure time spent in the Student Activities Center is as efficient and productive as possible.

The Student Activities Center, Room 201 of the Martin Luther King, Jr. University Union, is home to several campus organizations, including University Board and Student Government.

Senate members are required to work at least one hour a week each in the Student Government office, said senate member Deanna Smothers.

"I think that the majority of (senate members) have been putting in their office hours, but there's always going to be some

people who aren't coming into the office when they should," senate member Jeff Zilch said. "It's never been such a problem that there is severe consequences."

Zilch said he is planning to place a to-do box in the office to help senate members find productive work during office hours.

"Senators who come in for their office hours can take a job that will take about an hour and perform that task," Zilch said.

Senate member Dan Crowley said he thinks the to-do box will be helpful for senate members becoming more familiar with the Student Government.

Crowley said senate members can also spend time reading the Student Senate Constitution for basic knowledge on Student Government policies.

"I come in here one hour a week and when I do I read this constitution," Crowley said. "When you get to know this stuff and memorize it you know what's going on. Some of the senators come in here and just don't know what to do."

Many experienced senate members say their time spent in the office is very productive.

"A lot of people have a good idea as to what they want to accomplish when they do their office hours," Zilch said. "Everybody's got their own little niche."

Smothers said she usually puts in two or three office hours a week doing paperwork, answering phones and fielding questions anyone has regarding Student Government.

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Alcohol Awareness Week would help campus community

University students say they are wrongly judged and live under the stereotype of being hard-drinking, loud-partying people who are more likely to hit a bar than stay awake for their 8 a.m. classes.

Unfortunately for hard-studying students, their classmates – not over-active imaginations – have earned this stereotype for their classmates.

That is why students should participate in the National Collegiate Alcohol Awareness Week. The events, which run through Thursday, are dedicated to educating students about the problems of alcohol and underage drinking and giving a view of alcohol from a number of different standpoints.

Both young and old students attending the functions can get a better idea of how alcohol can ruin not only their lives, but also the lives of their friends and their family. Perhaps by examining the problems alcohol has caused other people, students can rethink their attitudes about alcohol and underage drinking.

The week will offer a variety of features and activities, including a car wrecked by a drunken driver and discussions about driving under the influence of alcohol, family problems related to alcohol and the penalties resulting from underage drinking.

The week's events are especially important in the wake of the tragic death of Eastern freshman Leigh Ann Metzger, who was killed Saturday by a drunk driver.

Students can also use the knowledge they pick up during the week to try to help the people who do fit the hard-drinking stereotype. Alcoholics can be any age and any gender and need assistance to get themselves back on their feet. By getting the right information, students can be that assistance their friends may need.

The student night life could see a change if students take the information from the week's discussions to heart.

Students should take advantage of programs offered during the National Collegiate Alcohol Awareness Week to help themselves and each other combat the dangers of alcohol.

today's quote

I slept and dreamed that life was beauty. I woke – and found that life was duty.

– Ellen Sturgis Hooper

A new world awaits on the Internet

After two hours of surfing the Internet, I discovered a startling new world.

A surreal world of light, sound, graphics and motion. A world of rock 'n' roll and CNN, of Hollywood and computer games.

"This is the fastest way to get anything," Harry Nelsen, director of academic computing, said of the World Wide Web. "Every time you come there's something new."

I watched with anticipation a sneak preview of Sylvester Stallone's new film, "Assassins." With a clear picture and the sound of harried voices and smashing glass, the Internet gave me a privileged taste of this upcoming movie.

But the Internet offers more than the silver screen.

From the 3D House of Beef and 10,000 Maniacs to Banana Blender and Bryan Adams – you name it and the Internet's got it. Along those electronic waves are music, pictures, lyrics, personal interviews, concert, album and tour information on your favorite bands. Internet even has acoustic guitar tablatures for some songs. Music lovers can debate and discuss the world of audio in message bases.

But for those news buffs who prefer *Time* magazine to *Rolling Stone*, the Internet has plenty to offer.

The CNN news section has a wealth of up-to-date news, sound bites, pictures and stories. I listened to Abraham Foxman, director of the Anti-Defamation League, charge Minister Louis Farrakhan with racism and anti-semitism.

And this modern medium can lighten students' workloads.

Instead of scouring dusty library shelves for outdated books, students can travel through the phone lines to a wealth of information.

"(The Internet) really is a revolution in scholarship," Nelsen said. "You can sit down at your desk and access 13 million computers, government offices, all the major research universities, major corporations . . . It's all out there."

The Internet is also capable of running live camera footage and audio, as evidenced by Pope John Paul II's Mass Oct. 8 in



SAM McKEE
Regular columnist

"A surreal world of light, sound, graphics and motion."

Baltimore.

But I experienced a more intense revelation about the information superhighway's. Eastern has a few small cameras that can be used for desktop teleconferencing. The \$100 system rests on top of the monitor, and when connected to the Internet users can converse with and see other users across the country and the world.

At the academic computing center, a man named Lippy from

Israel and Miguel from Spain popped up on my screen in small boxes. On any given day, Eastern students could come in and use this equipment, Nelsen said.

The information superhighway also has its share of quirky materials. In my wanderings, I accidentally slipped into an outdoor fishing section and registered in a drawing to win a two-level tackle box.

And the number of Eastern students connected to the Web is growing. Nelsen said there were only 600 accounts three years ago. Now there are 4,000 student accounts alone.

Workshops on Web Browsing are held periodically in the academic computing center, he said.

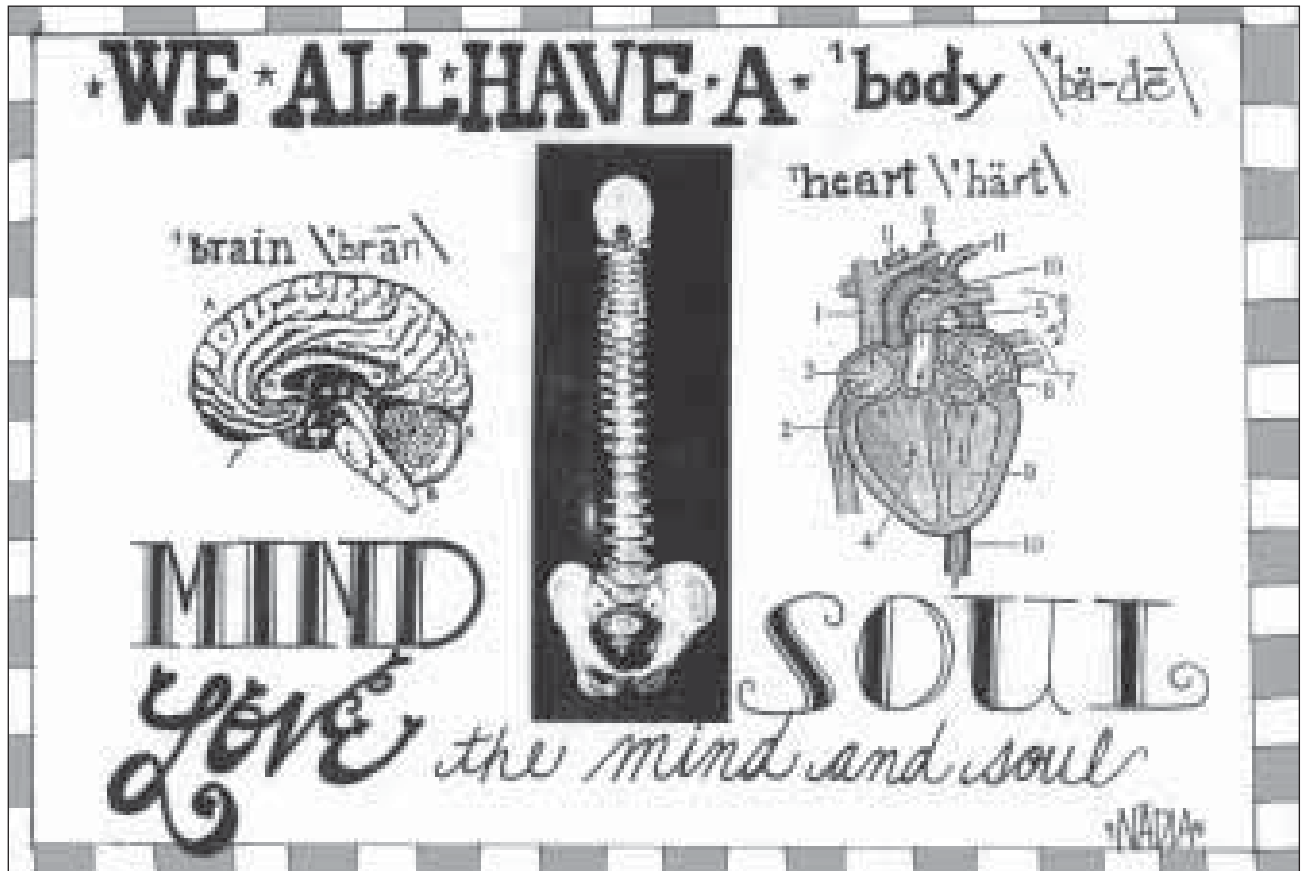
To access this surreal world, students don't need to register like they do for e-mail accounts. Internet surfers only need to go to the computer labs at Student Services, Student Resources Center in the library, Taylor Hall, Stevenson Tower or the McAfee Gym computer lab and double-click on the Netscape or Worldwide Web icons.

This opportunity doesn't come cheap. The university probably spends about \$1 million dollars a year on the telecommunications process, Nelsen said.

The computer technology fee for students recently doubled to \$20 a year, and students should cash in on this investment.

There's a world of information and entertainment that awaits them.

– Sam McKee is features editor and a regular columnist for *The Daily Eastern News*.



There is no lifestyle, just an orientation

Dear editor:

This is in response to Travis Spencer's Oct. 6 column, "Country needs a new kind of coming out." I have never read so much ignorance in such a short amount of space. Homosexuality is not a choice. Those who feel as if they can "walk away from homosexuality" obviously were not homosexual in the first place. They most likely are not heterosexual – even now that they are "cured." These people are most likely bisexuals who fall in love with a person and not a gender.

And for those who really were homosexual and have now "changed," look at how high of a suicide rate these people have. It is astoundingly high. This shows that these people are still struggling with their sexual orientation and truly have not changed. One cannot change orientations no matter how much faith, prayer or electric shock treatment one undergoes.

Homosexuals can and do live happy, fulfilling lives. Those who stay in the closet, who fear themselves and society,

your turn

live miserable lives. It is the fear, ignorance, misunderstanding and propaganda that society preaches that keeps others in the closet. But now is the time for lesbians, gays and bisexuals to come out to break down these negative stereotypes.

And what is the "gay lifestyle"? Is there a heterosexual lifestyle? Personally, I have a life – not a lifestyle.

Despite what your religion says, the American Psychiatric Association says homosexuality is not a mental illness and not a preference. Homosexuality is an orientation.

Eric Anderson

Education, experience would help columnist

Dear editor:

This is in response to Travis Spencer's Oct. 6 column, "Country needs a new kind of coming out." I would like to examine a couple of points Spencer made in his column. The first is the repeated use of the phrase "gay

lifestyle." Although he does not give any definition to what this means, the context of the phrase implies negative connotations. What does he, or Michael Johnson of Keruso Ministries, mean by "gay lifestyle"?

Although the article does not come out and say it, I get the feeling Spencer is implying promiscuous sex. I say this because he uses the phrase when talking about HIV and AIDS and quotes Johnson saying "it's sickening" that peers would encourage it."

The other point I would like to examine is "he had been a homosexual since he was 16 years old." The thought that one day a person wakes up and decides, "From now on I am going to be gay" is absurd. Homosexuality is a sexual orientation, not a sexual preference or choice.

I challenge Spencer to quit promoting gay myths and the prejudice and hatred that goes along with them, and instead educate himself on the issue. You could start by attending a Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Allies Union panel or by getting to know a gay, lesbian or bisexual personally and realizing how wrong you are.

Aaron Gerlach



CHET PIOTROWSKI/Staff photographer

Indian presentation given in Quad tepee

By **BETSY COLE**
Campus editor

Students Friday were attracted to an 18-foot tepee in the Library Quad as part of an American Indian informational presentation by Lyn Young-Buck.

Young-Buck, of Fox, Chirachua Apache and Cherokee ancestry, displayed a Lakota tepee furnished with buffalo robes, parfleth bags, cradle boards, tools made of bone and antler.

Tom Leonard, founder of the Organization of Traditional Indian Lifeways, said the goal of the presentation was to educate people on the American Indians' true way of life, not the way they are portrayed in some movies.

Young-Buck explained how she constructed the tepee and how sturdy it is.

"In the case of a tornado, I'd rather be in this tepee than in a brick house," she said.

The presentation drew crowds all day. "People keep showing up," Leonard said. "She hasn't

had time to eat lunch."

The display was "impressive," according to Jacob Tolbert, a freshman undecided major. Tolbert, a Boy Scout involved in the Indian Dance Explore Post division, said he has been interested in American Indian heritage for a long time.

Inside the tepee, visitors could look at the various furnishings and decor which were all American Indian made. The floor was covered with buffalo robes used as beds for the residents.

"Indians used every part of the animal they killed and honored that animal by taking the best meat and offering it back to the spirits," Leonard said.

Even the bones were used as various tools. Young-Buck, who is skilled in hide dressing, explained the use of a fleshing tool made from bone. This tool was used to pick the meat, fat and membrane off of hides.

Parflethches, which are raw-hide sacks, were hung around the tepee and used like a kitchen cabinet.

Digging through the stacks

Sophomore Emily Jahn, a reporter for WEIU-TV, records the sorting of 1,000 books Friday donated by Scholastic Inc. to WEIU for its younger viewers. This is the first part of a project to give books to children.

Americans overcompensating in diets

BATON ROUGE, La. (AP) — Nutrition labels on food might actually be worsening Americans' diets as people who make low-fat choices some of the time overcompensate by eating too much food at other times, a researcher said.

"There's no question people are doing that," said Richard Mattes, a nutrition professor at Purdue University.

Low-fat foods are presumed to be potentially benefi-

cial for people trying to lose weight and cut the risk of disease. However, researchers have not adequately studied the implications of providing nutrition information, Mattes said.

He studied 17 men and women who were given a fixed meal at lunch, then asked to keep a record of what they ate the rest of the day. When they were told the lunch was a low-fat meal, they increased their consumption during the rest of the day, Mattes found.

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Painting the town red

Project aimed at painting city fire hydrants

By BRIAN HUCHEL
City editor

Eastern students will be out to paint the town red, green and orange Saturday as part of a community service project with the Charleston Fire Department.

As part of the project, students will travel down several Charleston streets painting fire hydrant caps their designated colors, according to co-coordinator Angie Churchill. Students will return to campus painting the hydrant caps along a different street.

"This is a visual project that people will hopefully see us doing," Churchill said. "We want to do a service for the community and try to improve relations with

the community."

Churchill said students interested in participating in the project should meet in front of Old Main at 10 p.m. Saturday. The streets patrolled by the painters will be chosen then.

There are almost 700 fire hydrants in the city of Charleston, which are color-coded to signify their water capabilities. Hydrants with red caps can pump under 500 gallons of water per minute, hydrants with green caps can pump 500 to 1,000 gallons of water per minute and hydrants with orange caps can pump more than 1,000 gallons of water per minute.

The paint and maps of Charleston will be furnished by the city fire department. The pro-

ject goal is to paint between 100 and 150 hydrants.

Churchill said recruiting students to help in the project has gone well. Each of the activity's four coordinators volunteered to bring 15 people to participate.

"We hope to recruit people throughout the week," Churchill said. "We'll easily get between 40 and 60 people."

Whether or not this idea is successful will decide the future of other community service projects. Churchill said if enough students turn out Saturday, they will try it again in the spring.

"If students show they're interested, then we could also try other projects," Churchill said. "We're always open to new different ideas."

Acquaintances between foreign, American students topic of tea

By THERESA GAVLIN
Staff writer

An Eastern counselor will try and help international students become more acquainted with on-campus services at the U.S.-International Tea Hour at 2 p.m. Tuesday in the Tarble Arts Center.

Bud Sanders, a counselor at the Counseling Center, will discuss the center's support services for all of Eastern's students and the benefits it can give them.

The tea hour will hopefully help to improve relations between international students and American students, according to Sanders.

"The purpose (of the tea hour) is to help all of us in relating to others, including international students," Sanders said.

The tea hour also is intended to help international

students and American students understand a little more about each other.

"We want to get to know each other better, so anything we can do should help," Sanders said. "This would be a good effort toward that."

People who come to Eastern from different countries have different beliefs and, consequently, it's harder for them to have relations with American students, Sanders said.

Everyone who comes to America from a different country brings different values and traditions, and these can act as "barriers" between different cultures. "We need to learn to overcome them as best we can," he said.

Part of the afternoon will be devoted to a tour of the "Folk Arts of Mexico," an art exhibition on display at Tarble.

Moscow still living through hijacking of S. Koreans

MOSCOW (AP) — Tourist buses packed Red Square and cobblestones were washed clean of blood Sunday, but psychological scars remained after 25 South Koreans were hijacked in broad daylight next to the Kremlin.

Russians and foreigners alike were jittery after Saturday's attack, which drew attention to the nation's soaring crime rate and dealt a painful blow to its image abroad.

"This is a beautiful place but so unpredictable," said Spanish tourist Felipe Gimeno, standing by his bus on a crisp fall day in the shadow of the Kremlin, Russia's premier tourist attraction.

A busload of South Korean tourists was seized by a gunman and held for nearly 10 hours until Russian commandos stormed the bus early Sunday and killed the assailant. The gunman was identified as a Russian, but authorities did not know his name or anything about him.

The hijacking took place on a bridge behind the onion domes of St. Basil's Cathedral, one of the world's most recognizable buildings. The area is near the Kremlin, the seat of Russia's government.

FCC struggling with issue of what's educational TV

WASHINGTON (AP) — Which of the following TV shows are educational?

a) "NBA Inside Stuff," a behind-the-scenes look at NBA players and coaches.

b) "Free Willy," an animated series about a 12-year-old named Jesse and his friend, a three-ton whale named Willy.

c) "Beakman's World," in which an actor and two sidekicks explain scientific concepts.

d) "The Magic Adventures of Mumfie," about a lonely animated elephant who sets out to find friends.

Answer: All of the above, according to the major broadcast networks. ABC airs "Free Willy," CBS has "Beakman's World," NBC does "NBA Inside Stuff" and Fox offers "The Magic Adventures of Mumfie."

The shows, network executives say, satisfy their obligations under a 1990 law to put on programs that serve the educational and informational needs of children.

But Kathryn Montgomery, president of the Center for Media Education, and other critics don't think programs like "NBA Inside Stuff" and "Free Willy" meet those needs.

As federal regulators consider adopting tougher rules, the debate over children's television has largely centered on whether the government should require TV stations to air a minimum amount of educational shows.

But what is educational? The Federal Communications Commission, which is responsi-



ble for making sure broadcasters comply with the law, says educational and informational programs are shows that further "the positive development of children 16 years of age and under in any respect, including the child's intellectual/cognitive or social/emotional needs."

That definition, the FCC admits, is vague and has resulted in confusion and some creative interpretations. Some stations have counted reruns of "The Jetsons" and "Leave it to Beaver" as fulfilling their educational obligations. And a study released last week by Dale Kunkel, a communications professor at the University of California, Santa Barbara, found some stations classifying "America's Funniest Home Videos," "Mighty Morphin Power Rangers" and even "Yogi Bear" as educational.

"The FCC has failed to provide a definition to give guidance to broadcasters," FCC Chairman Reed Hundt admits.

But the agency is considering adopting a clearer and tighter definition of what constitutes an educational program. Industry and public comments on this and other proposals are due to the FCC on Monday.

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Midnight Madness

Members of the Eastern basketball team marked the start of their season with an intersquad scrimmage beginning at 12:01 a.m. Sunday in Lantz Gymnasium. Photos by Chet Piotrowski

Michael Slaughter (left) and Andre Rodriguez begin the 1995-1996 basketball season with the tipoff to the intersquad game early Sunday morning during Midnight Madness practice. The NCAA let teams start practicing on Sunday, and the Panthers joined other schools across the country in beginning their first practice at 12:01 a.m. Sunday. The squad scrimmaged for almost an hour in front of a crowd of 250 people.



Michael Odumuyiwa dunks the ball during the player introductions before the scrimmage.

Johnny Hernandez greets the other members of the Panther basketball team during introductions before the scrimmage.



Michael Slaughter goes up for a lay up, while Idris Osei-Agyman (far left) and Andre Rodriguez try to block the shot Sunday morning.

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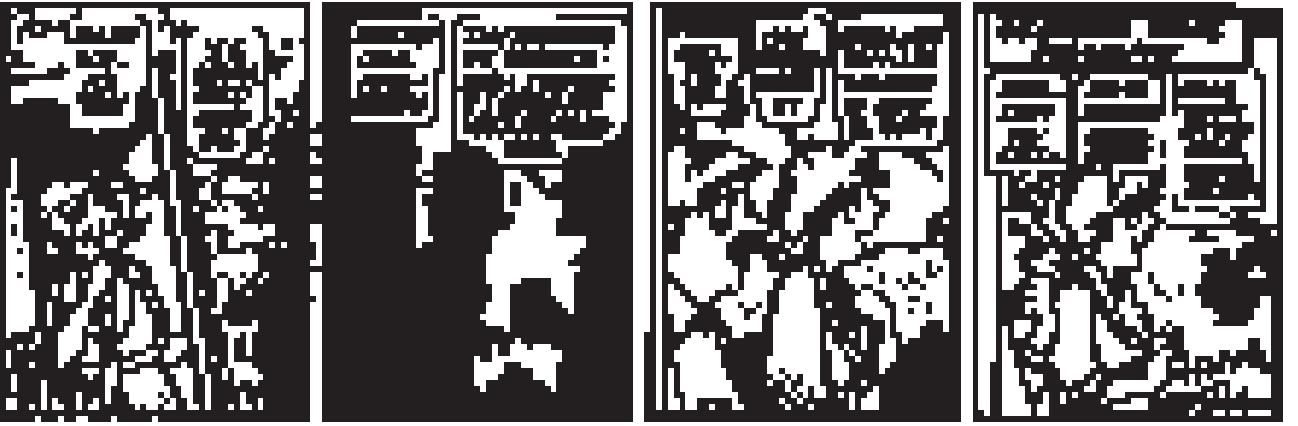
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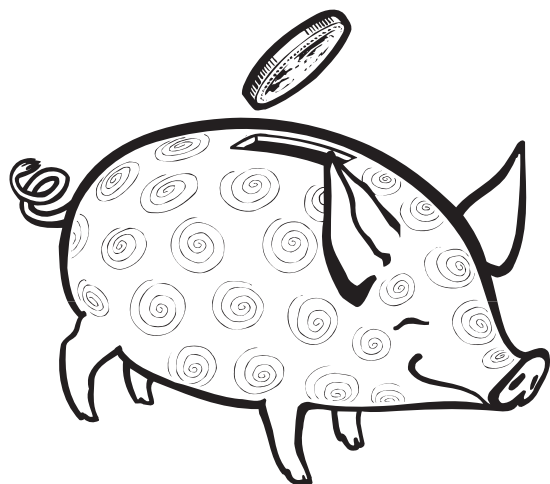
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Men harriers claim invite title; top Southwest Missouri State

By DONNA RUF
Staff writer

In its last home meet of the season, the men's cross country team had a good showing, helping to build confidence going into the Mid-Continent Conference meet in two weeks.

Eastern won the invitational with 47 points, edging out Southwest Missouri State University which finished with 50 points.

Coach John McInerney said he knew Southwest Missouri would be the team's main competition, but believes Southwest's weakness was in its fifth man who finished 23rd overall, behind Eastern's sixth man.

"We were dominating really hard, and we put forth a real nice job as compared to two weeks ago - where we really struggled on our home course," McInerney said.

Eastern's top finisher was Justin Weiss, who came in second with a time of 25.11. McInerney was pleased with Weiss' run, as Weiss ran a challenging race with first-place finisher Chris Bailey from Illinois State University. Bailey finished two seconds ahead of Weiss.

"This was an outstanding race for Weiss, and a real gutsy performance," McInerney said. "He broke away at the three-mile mark and battled it out neck and neck to the finish and ran

strong."

Nate Shaffer finished second for Eastern - fifth place overall - with a time of 25.40. McInerney said Shaffer ran a great race as well, adding that he and Weiss helped to push and pull each other and "running with Weiss helped Nate to run a relaxed and strong race."

Following Shaffer was Rich Arsenhault, who finished 10th overall with a time of 26.03. Jason Anhalt came across the line right behind him with a time of 26.09, good enough for 13th place.

Rounding out the top five for Eastern was Todd Moroney - finishing 17th with a time of 26.20.

McInerney believes that having three men come across in the top 10 is one important goal met, and believes it will help build up some confidence the team lost in the last home meet.

Mike McBride also ran a good race, dropping about 30 seconds off of his previous time, coming across in 21st place with a time of 26.35.

McInerney said overall the team was strong, especially in coming closer to reaching its team goal of keeping the top five gap to one minute.

"Our top five gap was 1:09 this week, compared to a couple of weeks ago when it was 1:40. This is very strong," McInerney said. "This gap is much closer to what it needs to be, but we still need to do a little better than that in

49ers latest victim to rallying Colts

INDIANAPOLIS (AP) - The comeback Colts did it again Sunday and this time the victim was the Super Bowl champion San Francisco 49ers.

Cary Blanchard's fourth field goal, a 41-yarder with 2:36 left, lifted Indianapolis to an 18-17 victory over the 49ers. San Francisco (4-2) missed a chance to go ahead with 50 seconds left when Doug Brien's 46-yard field goal attempt went wide right.

Earlier this season, the Colts (4-2) rallied from 21-point deficits to beat the New York Jets and Miami Dolphins.

It was the third straight upset for the Colts (4-2), who also surprised then-undefeated St. Louis and Miami the previous two weeks. It also was the first time since 1973 the Colts beat a defending Super Bowl champion.

The 49ers led 17-15 on a career-long 51-yard field goal by Brien midway through the fourth quarter, but a 33-yard reception by Ken Dilger on the next series help set up Blanchard's winning kick.

San Francisco reached the Indianapolis 28 with 50 seconds to go, but Brien's kick missed and the Colts ran out the clock.

Dilger, a second-round pick out of Illinois, had seven receptions for 125 yards, including a 42-yarder that set up Blanchard's third field goal late in the third quarter. His 125 yards marked the first time a Colts tight end topped 100 yards since Kerry Cash had 104 against the Jets in 1992.

Jerry Rice had only 43 yards and one touchdown and increased his career reception yardage to 13,911. The record of 14,004 set two years ago by James Lofton could fall next week when the 49ers (5-1) play at St. Louis.



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JACKSONVILLE, Fla. (AP) - While Mike Hollis talked about the soggy turf, maybe it was the weight of NFL history that steered his kick wide of the goalposts.

Hollis missed a 54-yard field goal as time expired and the Chicago Bears escaped Sunday with a 30-27 victory over the Jacksonville Jaguars, who were trying to become the first expansion team to win three straight games.

It was a gutsy comeback by the Jaguars, who scored a late touchdown and then recovered an onside kick to set up Hollis' attempt to send the game to overtime. When he missed, Chicago (4-2) became the first franchise to win 600 games and stopped the fledgling Jaguars' run at the record book.

"I just want to get a reputation for winning," said Curtis Conway, who did his

part in the historic victory by becoming the first Bears receiver in 12 years to catch three touchdown passes in a game.

As for the Jaguars, they had to be content with coming close.

"I don't know if it was a moral victory, but we sure opened some eyes," receiver Ernest Givins said. "We've surprised a lot of people, and we've surprised ourselves, to tell you the truth."

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four games still remaining on this year's schedule.

The Panthers were led by senior tailback Willie High and senior quarterback Pete Mauch, both of whom had arguably their best games of the season. High carried the ball 30 times for 183 yards and three touchdowns, while Mauch completed 14 of 25 passes for 238 yards and no interceptions.

Mauch said one of the keys in the game was Eastern's ability to score on its first possession, something that has happened in five of the Panthers' six victories this year.

"As the game went on, we got more and more confident," Mauch said. "That first drive set the tone. If you go back to our first five games where we won, it was always the first drive that got us going."

After the Panther defense forced Western Kentucky to punt on its first possession, the Eastern offense churned out a seven-play, 63-yard scoring drive that was capped by an eight-yard High touchdown run.

The Hilltoppers answered with a scoring drive of their own when Western Kentucky quarterback Willie Taggart scored on a one-yard TD run. But that was all the scoring the Hilltopper offense would muster.

Western Kentucky's other points came in the third quarter when Eastern attempted its only punt of the game. The snap went over the head of punter Shawn Denzer and rolled toward the end zone. Instead of recovering the ball and setting up the Hilltopper defense with good field position, Denzer made a heads up play and kicked the ball through the end zone, giving Western Kentucky a safety.

The Panther defense would do the rest, as it later stopped the Hilltoppers on their next possession on fourth and three from the Eastern 37. The defense played solid all game, holding a potent Western

Kentucky running game (which was averaging 268.7 yards per game) to just 170 yards. Eastern also picked two Taggart passes (by Chris Brown and George Wilson) and forced a fumble.

It was apparent the Eastern offense would not be denied, as it decided to drive for a touchdown late in the first half, rather than go into the locker room at half with a 7-7 tie.

With 1:43 on the clock and Eastern standing on its own seven yard line, Mauch directed an eight-play, 93-yard drive that ended with a five-yard touchdown run by High.

Eastern went into the locker room with the lead - and the momentum.

"We just followed the game plan," said fullback Chris Hicks who had 104 all-purpose yards in the first half. "We knew we had to run the ball, and we knew they brought a lot of pressure. They (Hilltoppers) weren't covering the back in the flat all night - and me and (Chris) Szarka were getting passes from Pete."

Szarka led all receivers with three catches for 72 yards. Justin Lynch (three catches, 50 yards) and Anton Manuel (two catches, 41 yards) were also frequent targets of Mauch.

In the second half, High started the offensive explosion with a 35-yard touchdown to put Eastern up 21-7. After the Hilltopper safety made it 21-9, Ibrahim Bawa scored from six yards out late in the third to push Eastern's lead to 28-9.

Late in the fourth quarter, Bawa broke a few tackles and spun his way toward the end zone. But the spectacular 24-yard run ended at the one yard line. High would add his third touchdown two plays later.

"To me it was a very monumental game only because I didn't know how we were going to respond to the loss (to Northern Iowa)," head coach Bob Spoo said. "I really felt we had to re-establish ourselves. And I think we did that both on

Indians top Mariners

CLEVELAND (AP) - The Cleveland Indians didn't exactly win. They escaped.

Twice wriggling out of difficult situations in the late innings, the Indians beat Seattle 3-2 on Jim Thome's two-run homer Sunday night and took a 3-2 lead in the

AL playoffs.

Next up: Randy Johnson in the Kingdom.

"Let's face it," Thome said. "He's a big-game type of pitcher. If you had to put somebody out there to win a game, it would be him."

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Kendra Pickens had a good race also, finishing 39th with a time of 20.27, and once again five freshman including Hyland, Langer, Milas, Pickens and Spicer provided strong finishes for the team.

"We didn't run as well in front as we did in the back, and I believe the front is capable of better things," McInerney said. "But overall it was a performance the girls should feel pretty good about going into conference."

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of the season, a 17-7 Gateway Football Conference defeat to the University of Northern Iowa last Saturday. But senior linebacker Tim Carver explained that the defense made sure the Hilltoppers wouldn't hand the Panthers their second-consecutive loss.



Tim Carver

"Our defense rose up, especially in the second half," Carver said. "It was great to see. That's the kind of stuff we like to have every week."

But Carver explained that although the defense allowed only seven points in the first half, they came alive mentally in the second.

The result? The Panthers gave up only two points - a safety when punter Shawn Denzer kicked the ball out of the end zone after the snap sailed over his head.

Examples of the Panthers' dominating defense in the second half was when a fourth-and-three situation arose and Taggart tried to scramble for a first down. But Taggart was unsuccessful when senior safety James Dorsey stuffed the quarterback two yards shy of the first down, giving the Panthers the ball with 6:24 remaining in the

third quarter.

After the Panthers recovered the ball, the Eastern offense scored its second touchdown of the quarter as Ibrahim Bawa scored on a six-yard run. After kicker Steve Largent added the extra-point, the Panthers had a 28-9 advantage.

But the defense wouldn't rest with a 19-point lead, as Carver stopped Taggart on a fourth down and three with 14:11 remaining in the game, putting to rest any ideas of a Western Kentucky comeback.

"In the first half we were executing, but without emotion," Carver said. "We let them know that we had to adjust to our defense. We kind of got after (Western Kentucky) after that."

Smith agreed that the team rose up after playing a lackadaisical first quarter.

"If you take away the first quarter, we played well," Smith said. "We just talked about playing hard-nosed Panther football at halftime and they responded."

Another Panther that came ready to play was junior cornerback Chris Brown, who explained that practicing better was the result of his improved play.

"I'm finally trying to play to my potential," said Brown, who recorded an interception from Taggart early in the fourth quarter. "I'm working harder in practice."

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Ryan Brown got the Leathernecks back into the game as he drilled a goal into the net, making the score 2-1 with 11 minutes to go in the half.

Four minutes later, Western's Keith Pavelka knocked in a goal to cap off the first half scoring as the teams went into the locker room knotted at two.

Head coach Troy Fabiano believed the comeback resulted from his team's lack of intensity after taking a 2-0 lead.

"We started out playing really well when we had the lead," Fabiano said. "But I think we got a little lackadaisical and thought

that Western was going to roll over and it ended up costing us the game."

Eastern came out controlling the time of possession early in the second half and had a couple of scoring opportunities during the first couple of minutes.

But eight minutes into the half, Western's Andres Marcairo scored to give the Leathernecks a 3-2 lead.

Despite finishing the game with 10 shots on goal, the Panthers were unable to capitalize on their second half chances, as they were shutdown in the final 15 minutes of the game.

"This team (Western) is in first place for a reason and we just didn't finish our chances, which ended up costing us the game," Fabiano said.

But Leatherneck head coach John MacKenzie thought that Eastern played well and that his team's confidence was their key to winning.

"I thought it was an excellent game and Eastern is a vastly improved team," MacKenzie said. "The key to our win today was that we were very persistent and since the team has 10 wins, the guys really believe in themselves and they don't give up easily."

On Saturday, Quincy came into the game winless on the road, but jumped out to an early 1-0 lead on a penalty kick.

Eastern struck back when Roman Shapla put in a goal, his fourth of the year, to even the score at one with 15 minutes to go in the game.

But once again, Eastern collapsed in the second half, as the Hawks knocked in two goals in the final 15 minutes of the game to come away with a 3-1 win.

Eastern will use the week off to prepare for its conference road game against the University of Missouri at Kansas City on Friday.

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Panthers rebound from loss, crush Hilltoppers

Northern Iowa game in past, team looking toward playoffs

By PAUL DEMPSEY
Sports editor

BOWLING GREEN, Ky. — The Panthers didn't waste much time to get back into their winning ways.

The Eastern football team rebounded from its worst offensive game of the season, last week's 17-7 loss at Northern Iowa, to produce its most impressive showing of the year in a 35-9 thumping of the Western Kentucky Hilltoppers Saturday night in Bowling Green, Ky.

The Panthers (6-1) accumulated 496 yards of total offense as compared to 209 for non-conference foe Western Kentucky (2-5). Eastern has already matched last season's win total (six) with
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Eastern punt returner Everett James (right) eludes Western Kentucky defenders Rod Roston (93) and Chris Carpenter (56) during the Panther's 35-9 nonconference victory over the Hilltoppers in Bowling Green, Ky. James returned the ball six yards, and Eastern returned to its winning ways after dropping its first game of the season last week to conference rival Northern Iowa.

Eastern defense halts Western Kentucky rush in 35-9 victory

By DAN FIELDS
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BOWLING GREEN, Ky. — Although there were mistakes by the Panther offense, the Eastern defense came through by holding Western Kentucky to only nine points in a 35-9 nonconference romp over the Hilltoppers.

Three fumbles and nine penalties kept the Panther offense from pulling away from Western Kentucky in the first half. But even when the offense would turn the ball over, the Panther defense came through to keep them in the game.

"They just played hard," said defensive coordinator John Smith. "We wanted to rise up after falling last week."

Eastern dropped its first contest
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Women harriers achieve goal, place fourth at EIU Invitational

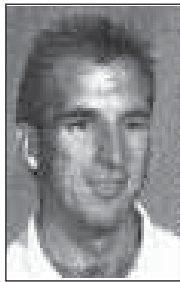
By DONNA RUF
Staff writer

The women's cross country team finished in fourth place Saturday at the EIU Invitational. The Lady Panthers achieved their team goal of closing the top-five runner gap to a minute or less, as Eastern's top five runners finished within 58 seconds of each other.

Cristen Conrad led the way with a time of 18.54, good for 10th place overall. Susan Langer followed closely behind her in 12th place, with a time of 19.03.

The overall winner was Southern Illinois University which easily defeated the rest of the field with 25 points. The University of Missouri at Kansas City was second with 51 points.

Although coach John McInerney was pleased with his top two girls' performances, he felt their times dropped off a little, helping the minute or less



John

gap to be reached. He said he believes they are "capable of running in the top five or eight as opposed to the top 10 or 12.

"Langer was fighting a flu bug, and is capable of better things, and Cristen can still take off another 20 or 30 seconds as indicated in practice where she tears people up on the road runs but sometimes struggles on the meet course," McInerney said.

Coming across the line third for Eastern and 21st overall was Carey Dunker, with a time of 19.32 — her best time on the home course.

"Carey ran a great race on what was a slower day due to the strong winds, and dropped about eight seconds. She maintained her consistency and her strength," McInerney said.

Megan Spicer finished 26th overall with a time of 19.49, and Jodi Milas followed her across the line with a time of 19.52, taking off almost a minute and a half off her last performance. Heather Hyland also had a good race for Eastern, finishing 33rd with a time of 20.08.

Kendra Pickens had a good race also, finishing

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Conference foes top men's booters

By BRIAN LESTER
Staff writer

The Eastern men's soccer team entered the weekend needing wins over conference rivals Quincy University and Western Illinois to keep its postseason hopes alive. Unfortunately, the Panthers came up empty-handed.

Eastern (3-10, 1-4 in the Mid-Continent Conference) dropped a 3-1 decision to Quincy (5-6, 3-1) on Friday and on Sunday it lost to Western Illinois (9-3, 4-1) 3-2.

On Sunday, Eastern went up against Western — the first place team in the conference — and got off to a slow start. The ball changed possession frequently

and neither team had scoring chances during the first 15 minutes.

But with 30 minutes left in the game, Eastern's Brian Holcombe, the Panthers' leading scorer, converted a penalty kick to give Eastern a 1-0 lead.

Western threatened throughout the first half, but a stingy Panther defense, and the play of goalie Brian Ritschel, kept the Leathernecks from getting on the board. Ritschel finished the game with five saves.

Holcombe's goal, with 13 minutes to go in the half, put the Panthers on top 2-0. The goal was Holcombe's sixth of the year and his second of the contest.

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Spikers win two of three during conference road trip

By MATT ERICKSON
Staff writer

The Eastern volleyball team had its most important match of the season Friday night at Valparaiso in the first of three matches on a weekend road trip.

But the Panthers lost to the Lady Crusaders in three games, and head coach Betty Ralston said the loss limits her squad's chances of winning the Mid-Continent Conference regular season title.

"We're kind of in a bind now because we lost in three games," Ralston said after the team's victory Sunday over Chicago State. "Now we have to beat them (Lady Crusaders) in three (games) when they come here (Charleston) because of the tie-breaker."

The Mid-Con tie-breaker would occur if the Panthers and Crusaders both fin-

ished with identical records. The conference champion would then be determined by head-to-head play. Therefore, Eastern would need to beat Valpo in three games to remain in contention for the title.

Eastern lost to Valparaiso by scores of 14-16, 12-15, 7-15. Ralston said she was disappointed with the result of the contest because her team was up early on Valpo but could not hold its leads.

"We were up 5-0 and 12-7 in the first game," Ralston said. "We couldn't hold our leads. The team that played last week and was all fired up against Indiana State was not the same team that played against Valpo."

Sophomore middle hitter Lorri Sommer led the Panthers with 10 kills and six

blocks and was followed closely by Vanessa Wells. The junior outside hitter recorded 10 kills and had five stuff blocks in a losing cause.

After dropping what will likely become a crucial match to Valparaiso, Eastern had an easier time with Northeastern Illinois on Saturday. The Panthers defeated the Golden Eagles 15-6, 15-13, 15-11.

Eastern was again led by Sommer's 10 kills offensively. Defensively, Wells added 21 digs and sophomore middle hitter Monica Brown had four blocks.

"They (Eagles) were a scrappy and small team," Ralston said. "They kept a lot of balls alive."

The weekend's final road match was against the Cougars of Chicago State. Fortunately for the Panthers, they didn't have much to worry about against Chicago State, as it is in the midst of a 54-match losing streak dating back to 1993.

Eastern quickly knocked off the Cougars 15-4, 15-8, 15-6. Ralston said everyone played for her squad with the exception of Shana Bjornstad, who was nursing a sore knee, and Sherry Austin, who did not make the trip to Chicago with the team.

"This was not really much of a match," Ralston said after the victory. "They have a couple of kids who have never really played the game before, which is nice because just about everyone got to play for us."

Freshman Sara Davenport saw her first significant playing time of the season against the Cougars and responded with five service aces in the match. Setter Kara Harper added three aces as did senior outside hitter Amy Poynton.

The Panthers' next match will come Friday against the Westerwinds of Western Illinois in Macomb.



Betty Ralston