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Quinn proposal threatens Eastern's government funding

University may lose more than \$3 million in government funding

By Sarah Ruholl
Administration Editor

Eastern has been bracing itself for a financial impact.

Gov. Pat Quinn proposed across the board education funding cuts for fiscal year 2011.

During his March 10 budget address, Quinn proposed a 6.2 percent cut to all Illinois education spending. Under this proposal, Eastern stands to lose more than \$3 million in government funding.

The final budget has to be negotiated and approved by the Illinois House and Senate.

Eastern has already been preparing itself for potential cuts, said

Treasurer Paul McCann.

"I think it's a pretty good chance that we will get a decrease in 2011, but it's not unexpected," McCann said. "We've been kind of planning for this as we go along."

President Bill Perry instituted a freeze on hiring and equipment purchases in place on Jan. 7 as a means to cut costs as the university waits to receive \$33.1 million of its \$50.6 million appropriations.

"Those things will likely carry forward to next year, as the plan

now stands, to limit the exposure," McCann said. "The other side of that is that we're trying to keep the potential tuition increase to a minimal level for next year."

The Board of Trustees sets fall tuition levels in the spring. Some years, tuition rates are set as early as the April board meeting, but McCann expects the university to wait until June's meeting this year.

"It just works out better for us," McCann said. "We know better
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NATION

Historic health care bill passes Senate

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Summoned to success by President Barack Obama, the Democratic-controlled Congress approved historic legislation Sunday night extending health care to tens of millions of uninsured Americans and cracking down on insurance company abuses, a climactic chapter in the century-long quest for near universal coverage.

Widely viewed as dead two months ago, the Senate-passed bill cleared the House on a 219-212 vote, with Republicans unanimous in opposition.

Congressional officials said they expected Obama to sign the bill as early as Tuesday.

A second measure — making changes in the first — was lined up for passage later in the evening. It would then go to the Senate, where Democratic leaders said they had the votes to pass it.

Crowds of protesters outside the Capitol shouted "just vote no" in a futile attempt to stop the inevitable taking place inside a House packed with lawmakers and ringed with spectators in the galleries above.

Across hours of debate, House Democrats predicted the major bill, costing \$940 billion over a decade, would rank with other great social legislation of recent decades.

"We will be joining those who established Social Security, Medicare and now, tonight, health care for all Americans, said Speaker Nancy Pelosi, partner to Obama and Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid, D-Nev., in the grueling campaign to pass the legislation.

"This is the civil rights act of the 21st century," added Rep. Jim Clyburn of South Carolina, the top-ranking black member of the House.

Republicans readily agreed the bill would affect everyone in America, but warned repeatedly of the burden imposed by more than \$900 billion in tax increases and Medicare cuts combined.

"We have failed to listen to America," said Rep. John Boehner of Ohio, leader of a party that has vowed to carry the fight into the fall's midterm elections for control of Congress.

The nonpartisan Congressional Budget Office said the legislation would extend coverage to 32 million Americans who lack it, ban insurers from denying coverage on the basis of pre-existing medical conditions and cut deficits by an estimated \$138 billion over a decade. If realized, the expansion of coverage would include 95 percent of all eligible individuals under age 65.

Far beyond the political ramifications — a concern the president repeatedly insisted he paid no mind — were the sweeping changes the bill held in store for millions of individuals, the insurance companies that would come under tougher control and the health care providers, many of whom would face higher taxes.

For the first time, most Americans would be required to purchase insurance, and face penalties if they refused. Much of the money in the bill would be devoted to subsidies to help families at incomes of up to \$88,000 a year pay their premiums.

The measure would also usher in a significant expansion of Medicaid, the federal-state health care program for the poor. Coverage would be
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Students return from spring break with luggage in hand



AMIR PRELLBERG | THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

Freshman business major Scott Edlund carries many of his things into Taylor Hall Sunday afternoon as he returned from spring break.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Women's basketball coach's contract extended

Sallee to stay with program into 2013

By Sarah Ruholl
Administration Editor

A one-year contract extension

was awarded to women's head basketball coach Brady Sallee at the March 12 Board of Trustees meeting.

Sallee's contract was extended through May 9, 2013.

President Bill Perry said the contract extension is a "vote of confidence in his program." He also said it provides stability to the program

and helps with recruiting players.

"It's good to have a two or three year (contract) horizon, so when you're recruiting students to a program, the staff are the ones they will be working with," Perry said.

Dan Nadler, vice president for student affairs, presented the extension for approval of the board based on the team's improvements

since Sallee came to Eastern in 2004.

"They have succeeded extremely well under his leadership athletically," Nadler said. "Academically, they finished in the top 10 last year for grade point average nationwide in Division I women's basketball."

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WEATHER TODAY



Mostly Cloudy

HIGH 51° Chance of rain this morning otherwise mostly cloudy the rest of the day. Expect warmer conditions under mostly sunny skies tomorrow as high pressure begins to dominate the region. Another low pressure system will move in from the west and bring a slight chance of rain showers on Thursday.

WEATHER TOMORROW



Tuesday Mostly Sunny High: 58° Low: 41°



Wednesday Partly Cloudy High: 60° Low: 40°

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CAMPUS BRIEFS

Broadcast Industry Fair Tuesday

Students will be able to learn more about the broadcast industry from professionals in the field during the Broadcast Industry Fair, beginning at 10 a.m. Tuesday in the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union.

Executive-in-residence to give presentation

Charles W. Witters will give a presentation titled "Real Life Commercial Real Estate: The Good, The Bad and The Ugly," at 7 p.m. Tuesday in the Roberson Auditorium of Lumpkin Hall.

Witters is senior vice president of Lee and Associates Nevada Inc., and will be the executive-in-residence for the School of Business Tuesday and Wednesday.

Deadline to apply for graduation

Wednesday is the deadline to apply or re-apply for graduation. Students need to contact the Office of the Registrar in Old Main or through PAWS to apply.

—Compiled by Associate News Editor Sarah Jean Bresnahan

Walking a lighted path



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A student walks on the sidewalk past Stevenson Hall while cars pass by on 4th Street Sunday evening.

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Lemonade recipes

Online Editor Sam Sottosanto shares five different lemonade recipes just in time for spring. Read her food blog on DENnews.com.

BLOTTER

Katherine Cimarolli, 21, of 412 Muskegon Ave., Calumet City, was arrested at 3:26 a.m. March 12 in Greek Court. Cimarolli was charged with driving under the influence of alcohol and released from the University Police Department at 5:45 a.m. after posting 10 percent of a \$1,000 bond, the UPD said.

A harassment report was filed March 12 at the University Police

Department, pertaining to various on-campus incidents, the UPD said.

A theft occurred March 14 near McKinney Hall. The incident was referred to the Office of Student Standards, the UPD said.

Criminal damage was reported March 15 at the Tarble Arts Center. The incident is under investigation, the UPD said.

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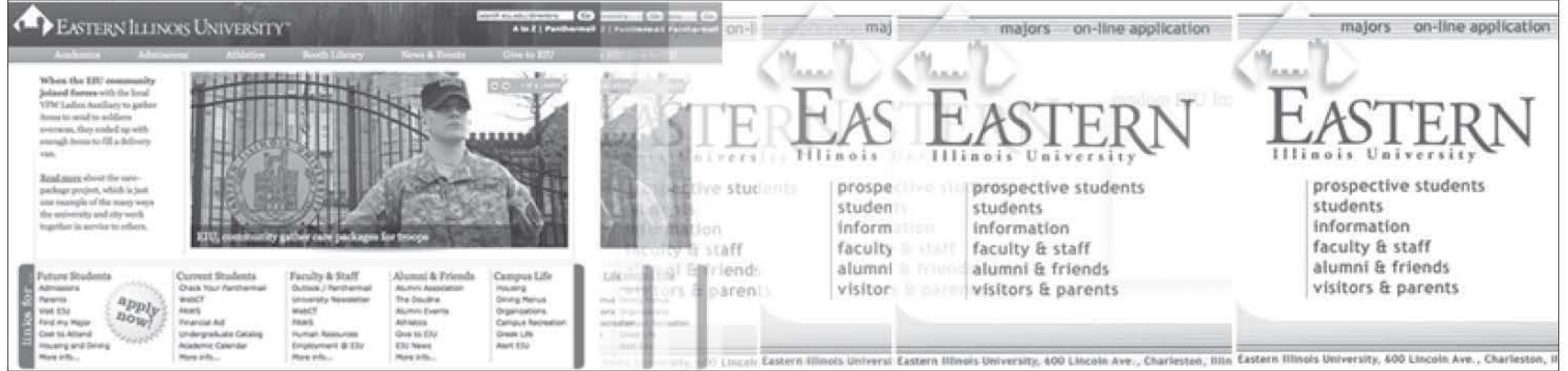
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TECHNOLOGY



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Department Web site updates in progress

By Heather Holm
Activities Editor

The department Web pages on Eastern's Web site are still undergoing construction.

Ryan Gibson, Web master at Eastern, said the Center for Academic Technology Support has been working with departments to improve their pages since they were created but has been working toward the most recent version, the "EIU look," for a little over a year.

The new look includes the Eastern header, left side navigation and custom

headers created by a designer in University Marketing and Communication.

"This improves the visual look of their site, but also does a lot of things that go unnoticed," Gibson said.

Gibson said the new designs also work better on mobile platforms and print better than previous versions of the template.

Furthermore, the law also requires that the new sites are accessible under the American with Disabilities Act and comply with the Illinois Information Technology Accessibility Act.

Eastern typically changes the looks of its Web site every three to four years.

"This keeps the sites up with newer web technologies and also gives the department a chance to review all of their content," Gibson said.

Gibson said departmental Web pages are continually being updated and most departments choose to upgrade to improve the visual aspect of their site or to make the site easier to manage.

Most departments update with OmniUpdate, the campus content management system, which allows non-technical staff to make updates whenever they choose.

Some departmental sites being re-worked are the School of Business and

"We are not forcing anyone to change to the new look."

Ryan Gibson, Web master at Eastern

Financial Aid sites.

"We are not forcing anyone to change to the new look," Gibson said. "Of course, we encourage it, though."

Gibson said CATS is always working with departments to improve their Web sites.

"Our goal is that each department

will better reach their target audience," Gibson said. "So, visually the site will be different, but we also hope the content is more focused and better organized."

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UNIVERSITY

Minority groups encourages diversity on campus

By Danielle Wachter
Staff Reporter

Several minority groups on campus are joining together to share a common bond — diversity.

The Diversity Advisory Council is a newly launched council consisting of 10 minority groups that encourage the unification of diversity organizations by creating opportunities for collaboration.

Several of the diversity groups currently participating in the DAC are the Black Student Union, PRIDE and the Association of International Students.

Dana Barnard, assistant director of student life, said she believes the DAC, which began this semester, is a good way for diversity groups

to be aware of what other diversity groups are doing on campus and unify their causes.

"For example, (the Association of International Students) wanted to organize a food fair, and (the University Board) had a similar idea for their group," Barnard said. "Because of DAC, the two groups can now work together, but would have never known if they had not attended the meeting."

The DAC is in the initial stages of development and is still a work in-progress.

Barnard said only an average of four to five groups have been attending the meetings.

"We are mainly planning events for the fall," Barnard said. "We are seeing what the students want to

Participating organizations

- National Association of for the Advancement of Colored People
- Black Student Union
- Latin American Student Organization
- Asian American Association
- Association of International students
- Residence Hall Association
- PRIDE
- National Panhellenic Council
- Student Government
- University Board

do and what direction they want to take the group."

One goal of the DAC is to create a calendar of events, listing the cultural events of all the different diversity groups in order for the organizations to be aware of what the other groups are doing.

Sandra Sasidharan, a graduate assistant for the Student Life Office, said the DAC's focus is on the development of the current 10 diversity groups.

"It's showing good progress," said Sasidharan, regarding the future of DAC.

Plans to form an organization that brings diversity groups together began before Barnard and Sasidharan came to Eastern in late summer of 2009.

"I think the creation of DAC is a great idea," said Ben Percy, a junior communication studies major

and member of PRIDE. "Not only do I think that being a member of an organization like PRIDE is beneficial, but to meet and collaborate with other groups in DAC meetings that share a common bond of being different has a positive impact on our common goal — which is to celebrate diversity."

The mission statement of DAC is to foster the enhancement of Eastern minority student organizations through collaboration, encouragement and integration.

DAC's next meeting will be held March 30 at 8 p.m. at the Cultural Center.

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VIEWS



Dan Cusack

Tips for surviving the spring

We are coming to the home stretch of the 2009-10 school year. Tests, quizzes, projects and EA Sports' "NHL 2010." Add to that baseball, warm weather, sun, porches and drinking.

There is no way we can survive. The odds are stacked against us, but we still have stuff we actually have to do. How do you pass all your classes with all the temptations of the last few weeks of class? It's simple.

Limit time outdoors

People think being outside is a good thing. They are wrong. If you go outside, you're probably going to get skin cancer. The sun is a time bomb in the sky that preys on the weak. It is important to stay inside as much as possible.

The only acceptable things to do on a nice day are either fishing or bocce ball. Fishing is cool because you can use tobacco while participating in it, and bocce ball is naturally cool.

Don't play any sports, unless at the Student Recreation Center, and please don't do anything in the quad. That means you, Ultimate Frisbee kids. I get it, you're trying to be Joe College, but find a park somewhere and don't play into college stereotypes. It's bad enough "Old School" has ruined college students' personalities for the next 10 years. And if you are going to play catch or something, wear the proper equipment. Don't play football in your jeans and dress shoes. Put on a pair of shorts.

Stay away from porches

At this time of year, porches are like the sun. They were meant to destroy you and everyone you love. You say you will sit on one for 20 minutes and nine hours later you do not know where your life went. Sure, it's fun to put your feet up and listen to music, but think about the consequences. Porches have wasted more of college students' time than Farmville on Facebook. Find a side entrance, or go in through a window. Never, ever enter where a porch is present.

Make sure to keep sports in perspective

This time of year is the golden period for sports viewing. The men's basketball NCAA Tournament is in full bloom, baseball is right around the corner and playoffs are on the horizon for the NBA and NHL. Remember, these things can consume a lot of time. View sparingly. For baseball, sure it's nice to have to it back, but there are still 11 months left in the season.

Same with the NBA and NHL. For some reason, playoffs in these sports last for about 19 years nowadays. Sure it's OK to watch and follow, but do not let any of these things consume your life.

Watch out; the cops will be back in full force

On a serious note for once, remember to be smart the last couple of weeks of the school year. The Charleston Police Department has a grant for extra police officers the last few weeks of the school year; so don't be stupid. Make sure you don't walk around with open alcohol and keep your parties under control. The last thing anyone wants is a drinking ticket heading into summer (trust me, it is not fun).

So, remember these tips and you will be golden. Have a fun and productive last couple of weeks.

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DAILY EDITORIAL
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With spring break now a memory students must focus, finish strong

Freedom is at the tip of every Eastern senior's tongue.

They got a small taste of it last week, when many went on vacation, relaxed or spent time with their family and friends.

Spring break was much needed this year, especially for seniors. After four years (or five, for some) of classes, homework, projects and all the stress that comes with them, this week-long break was something everyone looked forward to.

It was also the last break before the school year ends.

Now that spring break is a thing of the past, there are only 30 days of class left and 47 days until commencement (not that we're counting or anything).

And while it might seem tempting, this isn't the time to slack off. It's time to get back in gear and not miss a beat in preparation for graduation and a successful semester.

"Senioritis" may seem like something to joke about, but it's serious.

According to connectwithkids.com, 30 years ago 40 percent of seniors said they thought their schoolwork was meaningful. Today, only 28 percent of seniors think it is.

Instead of cutting themselves too much slack, seniors should think about the next step after college.

Go online or check newspapers for job openings in your soon-to-be career field. Figure out what location would be best for a job — do seniors want to go back and live with mom and dad, or do they want to get their own apartment?

If seniors want their own apartment, they should start

"Instead of cutting themselves too much slack, seniors should think about the next step after college."

searching as soon as possible to see if they can get the apartment in the same location as where they hope to get a job.

If seniors don't know where to start, Eastern offers Career Services, which is located in the same building as Health Service. Career Services offers many opportunities for seniors.

For example, it is holding mock interview sessions on Thursday. There's also a cover letter clinic on March 31.

At the end of April, Career Services will be hosting a job search clinic before commencement.

While seniors prepare for post-graduation, they should also think about finishing up their senior year the right way.

Here are a few bookkeeping things that need to be done before the end of the year and before graduation.

Seniors need to log on to PAWS and take a close look at their GPA. If it's not as high as they would like it, now is the time for improvement.

Consider shooting for all A's this semester if needed. There is still enough time to get grades up before it's too late.

While on PAWS, seniors should see if they've completed all their graduation requirements. If not, they may have to face another semester of school.

Seniors also need to make sure to pay off all dues on their student accounts. If that's not done, they won't receive a diploma until the debt is paid.

Good luck, seniors, and make sure everything that needs to be done gets done before graduation.

FROM THE EASEL



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FROM AROUND THE STATE

Fighting for student life

By the *Daily Vidette* Editorial Board
Illinois State University

An unusual rise in suicides at Cornell University has the school concerned about the mental health of their students.

Dubbing it a "public health crisis," the Ivy League school has no clue as to why the rise has occurred.

With the praise of the American College Health Association's Mental Health Best Practices Task Force for counseling and prevention programs dealing with student suicide, it is evident something is missing from Cornell and countless other universities across the country.

The Ithaca, NY Police Department reported four student suicides in fall 2009 and at least two during the last two months.

Police are currently looking for the body over another suspected suicide.

Although faculty on campus ranging from janitors, administrators, RAs and professors are trained to spot symptoms of depression which could lead to suicide, and freshmen are screened for psychological disorders, students are still feeling the pressures of college enough to end their lives.

Students caving under pressure isn't a new idea. ISU has had its fair share of student suicides, but the number of suicides in just one

year being up so high brings questions about the school and what tactics can be done to prevent any more suicides.

Bridges over well-known gorges seem to be popular spots for Cornell students to commit suicide, so the university has posted guards to restrict access to the bridges, but is that enough?

More measures could be taken to hinder stressed out students from jumping to their demise, such as making it more difficult to get over the side or to climb up the bridge.

If guards aren't posted 24 hours a day, seven days a week, students will still use the bridges.

To read more, visit www.DailyVidette.com

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where the legislature and the governor are going to be on the appropriated budget for next year."

McCann said he does not know why Quinn proposed deep cuts to education but suspects it might be a way for Quinn to gain support for a tax increase.

"That's really where the governor's coming from, he wants a tax increase," McCann said. "He basically came out and threatened all of education, whether higher ed, secondary, everything, with an across the board cut if he didn't get a tax increase. In effect, then, the tax increase would go to cov-

ering the decreases in education."

Quinn's proposal is just one in a string of hotly contested ideas in the state Legislature for handling the budget crisis.

"It sounded politically like there had been a lot of disagreement with what the governor had proposed," McCann said. "So I don't know what that means from the standpoint of negotiating a settlement in the Legislature."

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The Panthers finished as regular season Ohio Valley Conference champions. They also advanced to the championship game of the conference tournament for the third year in a row.

Perry is offering the contract with approval of the board.

The board also approved a \$328,740 consulting contract, including a \$29,885 contingency, with Stanley Consulting of Chicago. Stanley will serve as a third party consultation for the Renewable Energy Center, according to Paul McCann, university treasurer. Honeywell International Inc. will build the renewable energy center.

"The consultants are an expert that we're bringing in to make sure Honeywell isn't doing something wrong or is providing the wrong information to us because it is a very critical computation on how much in the way of energy savings we really do have," McCann said. "We want them to protect the university in its relationship with Honeywell."

The plan originally included \$250,000 for third party consultation. Much of the cost is covered by a federal earmark grant. The grant includes a 20 percent match requirement that the university will have to pay.

"There really isn't a lot of additional

cost to the university," McCann said.

The board also approved a \$290,950 contract, with a \$26,450 contingency, for masonry tuck point work on Booth Library. The contract is with Evans-Mason, Inc. of Springfield.

Bill Weber, vice president for business affairs, said facilities planning and management was finally able to find a solution to a water leakage problem.

"We have had a water problem for a long time, and it's been difficult to track down," Weber said.

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required for incomes up to 133 percent of the federal poverty level, \$29,327 a year for a family of four. Childless adults would be covered for the first time, starting in 2014.

The insurance industry, which spent millions on advertising trying to block the bill, would come under new federal regulation. They would be forbidden from placing lifetime dollar limits on policies, from denying coverage to children because of pre-existing conditions and from canceling policies when a policyholder becomes ill.

Parents would be able to keep children up to age 26 on their family insurance plans, three years longer than is now the case.

A new high-risk pool would offer coverage to uninsured people with medical problems until 2014, when the coverage expansion would go into high gear.

The final obstacle to passage was

cleared a few hours before the vote, when Obama and Democratic leaders reached a compromise with anti-abortion lawmakers whose rebellion had left the outcome in doubt. The president issued an executive order pledging that no federal funds would be used for elective abortion, satisfying Rep. Bart Stupak of Michigan and a handful of like-minded lawmakers.

A spokesman for the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops expressed skepticism that the presidential order would satisfy the church's objections.

For the president, the events capped an 18-day stretch in which he traveled to four states and lobbied more than 60 wavering lawmakers in person or by phone to secure passage of his signature domestic issue. According to some who met with him, he warned that the bill's demise could cripple his still-young presidency.

"The American people know that you can't create an entirely new government entitlement program without exploding spending and the deficit."

Rep. Dave Camp, R-Mich

After more than a year of political combat, Democrats piled superlative upon superlative across several hours of House debate.

Rep. Louise Slaughter of New York read a message President Franklin Roosevelt sent Congress in 1939 urging lawmakers to address the needs of those without health care, and said Democrat Harry Truman and Republican Richard Nixon had also sought to broaden insurance coverage.

Republicans attacked the bill without let-up, warning it would

harm the economy while mandating a government takeover of the health care system.

"The American people know you can't reduce health care costs by spending \$1 trillion or raising taxes by more than one-half trillion dollars. The American people know that you cannot cut Medicare by over one-half trillion dollars without hurting seniors," said Rep. Dave Camp, R-Mich.

"And, the American people know that you can't create an entirely new government entitlement program

without exploding spending and the deficit."

Obama has said often that presidents of both parties have tried without success to achieve national health insurance, beginning with Theodore Roosevelt early in the 20th century.

The 44th president's quest to succeed where others have failed seemed at a dead end two months ago, when Republicans won a special election for a Massachusetts Senate seat, and with it, the votes to prevent a final vote.

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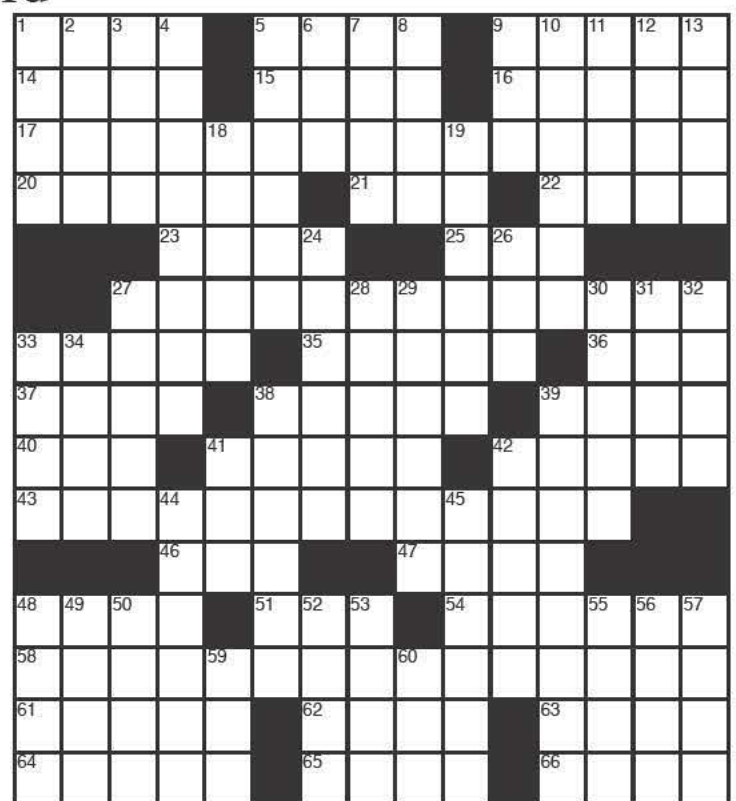
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off turnovers and 28 fast break points. "They took advantage of our turnovers," Sallee said. "They push it and score in transition in those situations. We didn't have much of a chance to defend them because they were coming down the floor with 2-on-1s or 3-on-1s every time." With the loss, the Panthers' season is over. They finished with a record of 23-11 and were the OVC regular season champions.

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Valley for allowing us to be partners; we are very appreciative of the time we have spent with them," Eastern athletic director Barbara Burke said in a press release. "We are also equally excited to be accepted as an affiliate member of The Summit League. We look forward to a long-standing relationship and building rivalries within the league."

Indiana-Purdue-Fort Wayne, Indiana-Purdue-Indianapolis, Oakland, Oral Roberts, Missouri-Kansas City and Western Illinois compete in the Summit League. "We look forward to having East-

"We're looking for a championship."

Head coach Adam Howarth

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2000. "We're looking for a championship," Howarth said. "That's always our goal. Whatever league it's going to be, you've still got to win the game." Eastern sports a 25-71-10 record during the MVC era with a 2-7-2 record in the MVC Tournament. The Panthers did not qualify for the MVC Tournament this season. The men's program sports a 53-20-9 record against 2011 Summit League opponents.

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WOMEN'S BASKETBALL | MARQUETTE 85, EASTERN 56

Nerves rattle season to end

By Alex McNamee
Assistant Sports Editor

The Eastern women's basketball team could not get over the nerves of playing in a national postseason game quick enough in Thursday's loss to Marquette.

The Panthers bowed out in the first round of the Women's National Invitation Tournament to Marquette, which blew away the Panthers 85-56. Eastern head coach Brady Sallee said nerves are a part of the game in a postseason tournament and his team could not overcome them in time to keep the game close.

"You have to deal with it and live on," Sallee said. "Early on you turn it over a bit and now you're playing under more pressure."

The Panthers turned the ball over early and often, ending the game with 30 total turnovers, giving Marquette a huge advantage.

"They showed us some different defenses and their length gave us some problems," Sallee said. "Balls went off our hands."

With so many turnovers, Marquette was able to open up a 48-30 halftime lead, leaving a steep hill for the Panthers to climb.

"We were down 18 at halftime but they had a lot of points off turnovers," senior forward Maggie Kloak said.

Marquette's length gave Eastern trouble throughout the game as the Golden Eagles proved the Big East reined supreme to the Ohio Valley Conference.

"You can't turn it over 30 times and have a chance," Sallee said.



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Freshmen guard Ta'Kenya Nixon goes up for a shot against Tennessee State February 27 in Lantz Arena.

"Clearly, they're in the Big East and we're not."

While the Panthers were turning the ball over, they did not get much offensive production from anybody outside of freshman guard Ta'Kenya Nixon, who scored 17 points, and sophomore guard Madeline Kish, who scored 10 points.

The Panthers' starting forwards registered six points in the game, while committing six personal fouls.

"We are a post-oriented team and we put up a lot of shots down there as a group, every game," Kloak said. "So we hurt the team by not getting enough shots off."

Kloak said the main reason she and the rest of Eastern's forwards were not able to contribute in the paint was because of Marquette's tough defense.

"They had an aggressive post with a really good trap they put on us,"

Kloak said. "Every time we got the ball, they would bring a guard in."

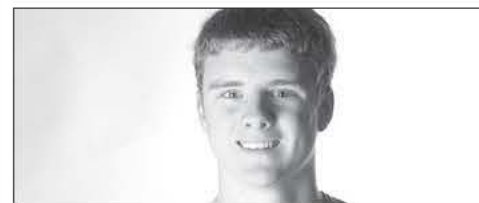
Kloak only played 20 minutes as she had to sit for long periods with foul trouble, which she said limited her floor effectiveness.

"It's a credit to their defense because shutting our post down really helped them," Kloak said.

In the end, Marquette finished with 28 points in the paint, 40 points

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VIEWS



Alex McNamee

Panthers never stood a chance

If the post was not there, the rest of the team was not going to be either.

The Women's National Invitation Tournament game between the Eastern women's basketball team and Marquette Thursday was a death sentence for the Panthers in an 85-56 shellacking.

They traveled to Milwaukee, Wis. to play the program's first postseason game since 1988, and first ever in Division I, but they did not even come close to winning.

Eastern senior forward Maggie Kloak, who is the centerpiece of the Panthers' team, committed more fouls than she scored points.

When a team holds Kloak to two points, Eastern will lose, even if sensational freshman guard Ta'Kenya Nixon scored 17 points.

The loss shows everybody Eastern's offense is run through the middle — Kloak — and if the middle is shut down, the team will falter.

Along with her two points, Kloak committed three fouls and only played half of the game. That's not a winning formula.

Give credit to Marquette for shutting Kloak down. It allowed her to take only two shots and get only three rebounds, along with the other dismal statistics.

After Kloak, Eastern's depth behind its centerpiece failed.

The usual "next two in" after Kloak went to the bench, freshman forward Mariah King and senior forward Marie Baker, both were held scoreless, limited to a combined four rebounds, and committed four fouls together.

Eastern's other key post player, sophomore forward Chantelle Pressley, put up four points but did not grab any rebounds.

With those four combining to create Eastern's main post attack, here is their stat line:

The four combined for six points, seven rebounds, two assists, 3-of-9 shooting, 11 turnovers, 10 fouls, and averaged 14.25 minutes in the game.

With the post presence erased, Marquette ran away with the game from the beginning, sprinting out to a 9-2 lead. Eastern never led.

So, Eastern proved it could not survive without a strong post established. For most, this result will leave you worried about the future.

Kloak is graduating, and she has been the bull in the post this season.

The Panthers will lose 12.3 points per game, 34 blocks, 219 rebounds and the only women to start and play all 34 games this season.

Then again, people were worried for the future last season after former Panther Rachel Galligan graduated.

So now is not the time to talk about the future.

Instead, it's time to sum up the season.

It's over.

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MEN'S SOCCER

Eastern moves to Summit League

Panthers leave Missouri Valley Conference

By Kevin Murphy
Staff Reporter

The Eastern men's soccer will re-join the Summit League, formerly the Mid-Continent Conference, in the 2011 season after spending 15 years in the Missouri Valley Conference.

Eastern head coach Adam Howarth said he approached the ideas after current Summit League member, Centenary College, decided to move from Division I to Division III in July 2009.

"It just came up," Howarth said. "The door was kind of open. It was just a good fit for student athletes. It's a good move for us."

The Panthers have spent 15 years

as an affiliate member of the MVC beginning in 1996. The men's program competed in the Mid-Continent Conference from 1983-95, winning at least a share of the league championship five times (1983, 1985, 1987-89). Eastern also won the West Division title in 1994.

"EIU men's soccer is extremely excited to be part of The Summit League in 2011," Howarth said in a press release. "Our relationship with the Missouri Valley has been a fantastic one and I personally am extremely grateful to all the people I have worked with during our time in the MVC. As a former student-athlete who competed in The Summit (Mid-Con), I know that the league will provide a stern task for our team in 2011. We look forward to a great final year in the Valley and starting a new chapter for EIU men's soccer in The Summit League in 2011."

Since the start of the 1996 season, the MVC has had at least two teams

Team's record vs. future Summit League foes

IUPUI	2-3-2
IPFW	7-1-0
Oakland	2-0-1
Oral Roberts	3-2-1
UMKC	8-3-0
Western Illinois	31-11-5
Total	53-20-9

in the NCAA Tournament except in 2006. MVC member, Drake, lost in the quarterfinals in 2009. Creighton lost in the quarterfinals in 2008, and Bradley lost in the quarterfinals in 2007.

Eastern never reached the NCAA Tournament in the MVC era and will wrap up competition against MVC foes during the 2010 season.

Eastern is not the first team to leave the MVC. Western Kentucky dropped its men's soccer program after the 2007 season. Vanderbilt also dropped its men's soccer program after the 2005 season.

The 2004 league featured 10 members including Southern Methodist and Tulsa. Both of those teams left the conference after the 2004 season.

Other MVC members included Texas Christian, Belmont and Illinois State. The MVC started play in 1991. Of the 2009 MVC members, Eastern was the only team yet to play in the NCAA Tournament. Creighton, Drake, Bradley, Evansville and Missouri State have all made an appearance.

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EASTERN SPORTS SCHEDULE

Baseball
Tuesday vs. Chicago State
3 p.m. — Coaches Stadium

Women's tennis
Wednesday vs. UT Martin
2 p.m. — Darling Courts

Baseball
Wednesday at Southern Illinois
3 p.m. — Carbondale, IL

Softball
Saturday vs. IUPUI
4 p.m. — Williams Field

Softball
Thursday vs. SIU-Edwardsville
4 p.m. — Williams Field

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NATIONAL SPORTS

Men's college basketball
Connecticut at Virginia Tech
6 p.m. on ESPN

MLB
Chicago Cbs vs. Cleveland
3 p.m. on CSNCH

MLB
Houston vs. St.Louis
7 p.m. on FSN

Men's college basketball
Dayton at Cincinnati
8 p.m. on ESPN