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These jocks have talent

Athletes support veterans through talent show

By Marissa Clampitt
Staff Reporter

Student athletes stepped out of their usual sports mindset to compete for a cause.

The Student Athletic Advisory Committee hosted Jock n' Roll, an athlete-wide talent show Wednesday.

Admission was \$2, which helped SAAC members in their goal to send student veterans to the OVC basketball championship in March.

Hayley Pieper, a senior business marketing major and SAAC president, said they started planning for the event back in October.

"We set up sub-committees and came up with flyers to encourage our teams to do an act," she said.

The flyers must have done their job because seven of Eastern's teams participated in the fundraiser including softball, women's swimming, football, volleyball, women's tennis, baseball and track and field.

Acts ranged from dancing with baseball bats to fitting a swim team member into a swim cap.

For Dominic Pagliara, junior business marketing major, it was not just about the entertainment.

"The veterans do so much for our country and anything we can do to thank them and show them



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Senior outfielder Maria Sorrentino of the softball team portrays rapper Lil Wayne during the team's "You Can Do It, Put Your Bat Into It" performance at Jock n' Roll, a fundraiser raising money for the EIU SAAC Hoops for Heroes Project to send Eastern students veterans to the Ohio Valley Conference championships.

To see the photo gallery, check out DENnews.com

a good time is just great," he said.

Pieper said each school in the OVC has to raise at least \$500 in order to help send deserving veterans to the OVC basketball tournament in Nashville March 1 to 3 this year.

The chosen veterans were at Jock n' Roll and were also the announcers for the first- and second-place winners.

The first-place winner was women's volleyball with their skit, "Student Athlete Problems."

Second place was a three-way tie between women's tennis, softball and track and field.

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Red-shirt sophomore middle hitter Stephanie Arnold from the women's volleyball team acts as a men's soccer player Wednesday during the team's performance titled "Student Athlete Problems" at Jock n' Roll. The volleyball team took first place with women's tennis, softball and track tying for second.

CITY

Speed limit receives mixed reviews from community

New limit enforced on Fourth Street

By Kathryn Richter
City Editor

The Charleston City Council voted unanimously on Tuesday to reduce the speed limit on Fourth Street to 20 mph.

Charleston residents and Eastern students have reacted to the reduced speed limit with mixed reviews.

Lisa Price, a Charleston resident, said she thinks the reduced speed limit will be beneficial. "I think it's a great idea if it improves safety," Price said.

Michael Livingston, a junior music major, said he thought the idea of lowering the speed limit was good, but he said he felt that not everyone might follow the new restrictions.

Livingston also mentioned the people that engage in drunken driving would not follow the restrictions, but he said that he sees no reason not to have the reduced speed limit.

Elizabeth Smith, a senior communication studies major, said she could see both sides of the issue.

"I feel there is an advantage and disadvantage to (the reduced speed limit)," Smith said.

Smith said she saw the advantage of the reduced speed limit for pedestrians but feels there will be a disadvantage to drivers.

Smith said she also feels that it would be a disadvantage to drivers who now have to drive at a reduced speed.

"People have to wait unnecessarily to get where they are going," Smith said.

Charleston resident Annalisa Switzer said she thought the idea of the new reduced speed limits was "silly."

Switzer said she felt college students were old enough to look both ways before crossing the street. Switzer also said she felt Charleston High School should receive more attention regarding traffic safety.

Switzer said she felt a stoplight was needed at the exit of Charleston High School.

Denise Whaley of Casey said she felt she would never have noticed the change in the speed limit, but admitted that she thinks 20 mph is slow.

Kara Baker, a junior biology major, said she felt that lowering the speed limit did not address the real issue of pedestrians who are negligent when crossing and would also make it more likely for a driver to be pulled over.

"I feel like it's going to be too much of a hassle for drivers," Baker said.

Andre Allen, a senior communication studies major, said he felt the reduced speed limit was appropriate.

Allen said he also felt pedestrians needed to be more aware.

The city council announced Tuesday it will be looking at other areas in Charleston to increase pedestrian and traffic safety.

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STUDENT GOVERNMENT

Senate discusses CPD Facebook, new Fourth Street speed limit

By Amy Wywialowski
Staff Reporter

Student senate members debated issues of Charleston, including the new speed limit on Fourth Street as well as a Facebook page by the Charleston Police Department at their meeting on Wednesday.

Dan Nadler, vice president for student affairs, said Tuesday's change in the speed limit on Fourth Street went from 30 mph to 20 mph.

"We had reached a point where something had to be done," Nadler said. "I know it seems slow, but even when I'm driving I personally feel

more alert."

The student senate members questioned Nadler on where the funding for safety measures on Fourth Street had come from.

Nadler informed them that Eastern and Charleston often share expenses depending on the measure and that the groups meet periodically.

"They've been very responsive of our concerns," Nadler said.

Blair Jones, student government city council representative, spoke to senate members about her experience at Tuesday's city council meeting where two Eastern professors

talked about Charleston Police Department's Facebook page that featured their son's mug shot and rude comments.

The page also featured public safety information and press releases that are given to all major media outlets.

"I don't think it is fair for them to post the mug shots; it implies (the accused) are guilty and law states we are innocent until proven guilty," said Brittany Brooks, a student senate member.

Jarrod Scherle, student executive vice president of student government, compared the site to an online police blotter.

"It is cruel, but is just like an online police blotter, but the DEN runs a police blotter and we don't complain about that," Scherle said.

Erin Deason, a freshman political science major, disagreed with Scherle calling the site an abuse on social media that encourages online bullying.

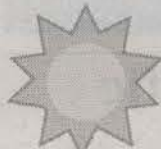
After continued discussion, the members of the student government decided to write a resolution against the site, write a letter to the city council and attend to the next city council meeting to voice their opinions.

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ONLINE

Student returns to Eastern to play piano

A former Eastern student is returning to campus to play the piano and help students.

CAA to address Early Alert System

The Council on Academic Affairs will meet today to hear a presentation on the Early Alert System and address four course proposals.

The meeting begins at 2 p.m. in Room 4440 of Booth Library.

Staff Senate evaluates effects of funding

The Staff Senate members analyzed both the effect of performance-based funding Wednesday, and the possibility of implementing a universal meeting time.

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DAY IN THE LIFE

Bower prosecutes 1,000 cases a year

By Kathryn Richter
City Editor

City Attorney Brian Bower swore when he graduated high school that he would never come back to Charleston or be a lawyer.

"They are probably the best words I ever ate," Bower said.

Bower is currently the city attorney for the city of Charleston as well as a partner at the Brainard Law Offices.

Bower said he prosecutes around 1,000 cases a year, the most common offenses being alcohol-related.

Bower said when half the population of the city falls within the 18 to 22 age range, these offenses are more likely to occur.

Bower, who has been a city attorney since 1989, is in charge of legal matters for the city of Charleston.

"I am responsible for general legal representation of the city," Bower said.

Bower said the types of cases he sees vary from alcohol, cannabis related offenses, property maintenance and licensing issues.

Bower also said he works with the different departments of the city including the Charleston Police Department, Charleston Fire Department and Charleston Public Works.

Bower said he received his undergraduate degree from Northwestern University in communications. After graduation he received a job where he

worked as an insurance underwriter for \$5 an hour.

Three days before classes started, Bower was accepted into law school at Northern Illinois University, where he ultimately received his law degree.

Bower said he typically starts his workday by 7 a.m., but his day is balanced between his partnership at Brainard Law Offices and his city attorney duties. Bower said in the evenings he usually attends meetings, such as city council meetings.

At night, Bower volunteers as a swim coach at Charleston High School. He became swim coach after learning the program would be cut if the school could not find a replacement for free.

Bower said during the swimming season he practices with the Charleston High School swim team from 8 p.m. to 10 p.m., Monday through Friday at Eastern's Lantz Arena.

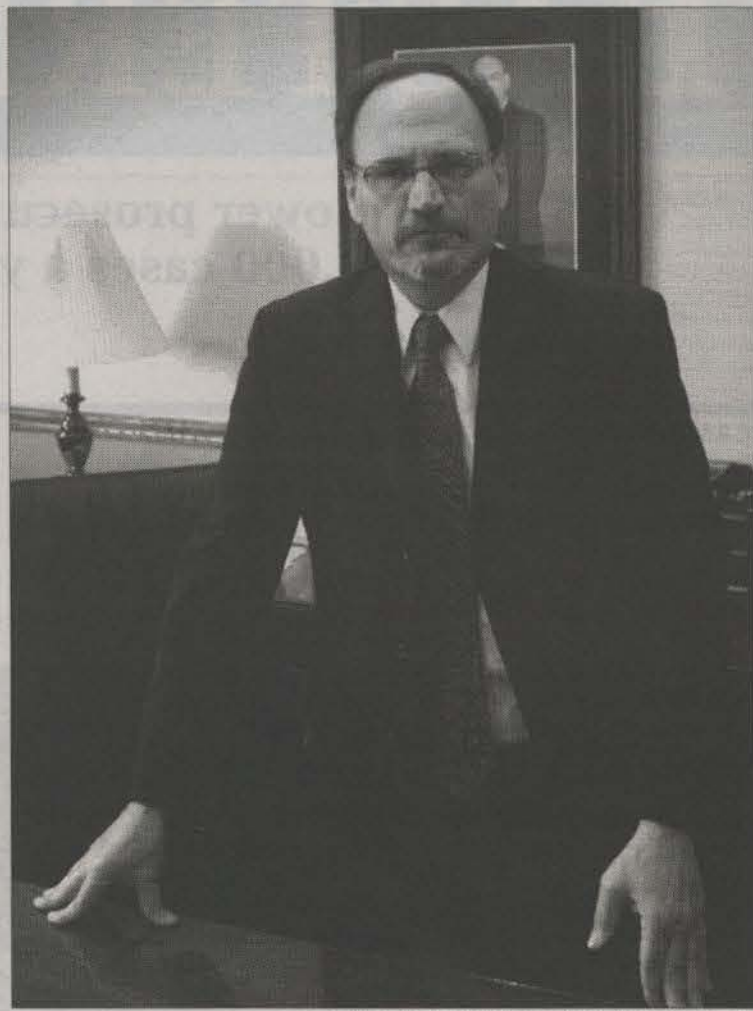
Bower said his youngest son, Evan, attends Charleston High School and is currently planning on attending Eastern to become a teacher.

Bower's middle son, Michael, attends Eastern as a junior athletic training major and member of the Eastern swim team.

"It's all about contributing to the community and spending time with your family," Bower said.

Bower said he has three sons and has been married to his wife Mary for 26 years.

"We have fun together," Bower



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City attorney Brian Bower stands at the meeting table at Brainard Law Offices at 600 Jackson Ave. Bower has been city attorney since 1989.

said.

Bower said the key to a 26-year-long marriage is a good sense of humor, tolerance, patience and understanding.

Bower said he also enjoys running and has ran around 35 marathons in the past, but hasn't been able to run

in any marathons in the past couple of years because of his schedule.

Bower is also currently running as a republican candidate for States Attorney of Coles County.

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LATIN AMERICAN STUDENT ORGANIZATION

Love universal among different cultures

By Samantha McDaniel
Activities Editor

From Valentine's Day to Dia del Amor y la Amistad, the Latin American Student Organization will be making cards in Spanish on Monday and Tuesday.

LASO will be having Dia del Amor y la Amistad, or Day of Love and Friendship, at 8 a.m. to noon in Coleman Hall and noon to 3 p.m. in Andrews Hall on Monday and Tuesday.

Karla Centeno, the vice president of LASO, said they will be selling candy for 50 cents for students and faculty to give to their significant others or their friends.

"The title itself really focuses not on just celebrating your loved ones, but your friends and family too,"

Centeno said. "Here we celebrate both too, but the real focus (of Dia del Amor y la Amistad) is on significant others."

Centeno said the traditions of Dia del Amor y la Amistad are the same as Valentine's Day.

"A lot of the typical ones are the same, like flowers, chocolate," Centeno said. "There are not any big changes in the traditions they carry out."

She said they will be selling cards that come pre-made with lines that translate to "I love you," "Be Mine," "Happy Valentine's Day" and other Valentine's Day quotes for 50 cents.

"We try to keep (the cards) simple, so students can give them to whoever they want," Centeno said. "There will be simple ones that say 'thanks for being my friend' and

stuff like that."

Members of LASO will also be at the tables to make personalized cards for \$1.

"If there is another message they want in the cards, they can write it out and want to get translated; they are welcome to do that," Centeno said.

She said she thinks the card will be fun and different than the normal ones students usually receive.

"It'll be interesting for the people receiving them to read it," Centeno said. "It's not something they will expect; to open their cards and see Spanish writing."

Centeno said this event give students a new way to experience Valentine's Day.

"I'm looking forward to students being able to surprise their friends

and loved ones with these personalized or prewritten cards," Centeno said. "I think it'll be good cultural switch to the typical Valentine's Day card that is typically given on those days."

She said she hopes students enjoy the cards.

"I think it'll be a really nice treat for others and students will be happy they did it," Centeno said. "It's not something you see a lot."

Centeno said she hopes the cards spread love and friendship.

"It'll be interesting to give the cards away," Centeno said. "I can't wait to spread the message of Valentine's Day out in a different language."

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STUDENT LIFE

Transfers have positive feedback for first month

Students new to Eastern report smooth transition

By Robyn Dexter
Campus Editor

Transfer students this semester have been at Eastern for a full month now and have had these four weeks to adjust to life in Charleston.

Rita Pearson, the senior assistant director of admissions and the transfer coordinator, said Eastern had a total of 365 new students this spring.

Pearson said transfer students have been stopping by the office with a few general questions, but that overall the feedback she has been getting is good.

"The students have been very positive and they seem to be getting settled in," she said.

Pearson said she even had a student come in to the office the other day and thank her for her help during the transfer process.

Danai Cooper, a junior histo-

ry major, said her transition from junior college to Eastern was nice and easy.

"Going to a university is so much better than going to a junior college," she said.

Cooper said one thing she wasn't expecting from her transition was the teachers and professors.

She said so far she has had good teachers that enjoy teaching and actually want to better their students' knowledge.

Shannalee Karrick, a junior undecided major, said she was in the military for several years, but that she has adjusted well to life at Eastern and said she would not have done anything differently.

"I find myself referring to campus as 'base' sometimes though because there are several similarities," she said.

Karrick said Eastern is much bigger than where she was before she came here, and there are many more amenities.

Eric Zuniga, a junior kinesiology major, said his transition to Eastern has been fun and easy.

"Meeting new people and transitioning to the university-style classes rather than community college was very smooth," he said.

"I find myself referring to campus as 'base' sometimes though because there are several similarities."

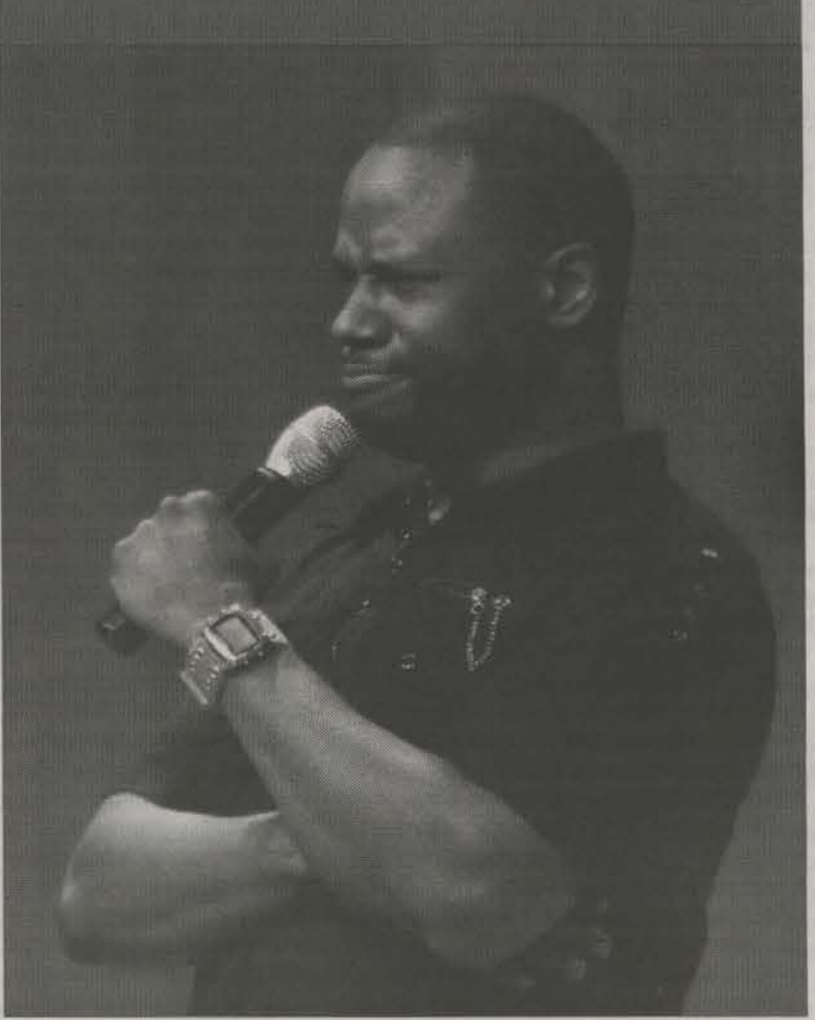
Shannalee Karrick, junior undecided major

Zuniga said there was nothing he would have done differently during his transition, and that everything has fallen into place for him.

"Eastern was super helpful in everything during transferring," he said. "Everything has gone great so far and I hope it continues this way."

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Laugh out loud



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Comedian Arvin Mitchell performs stand up Tuesday evening in the Grand Ballroom of the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union. Mitchell opened by picking out several audience members and telling jokes about them. This was Mitchell's second show at Eastern, having also performed his act "Laugh Out Loud" on campus in 2010.

RESIDENCE HALL ASSOCIATION

RHA prepares for a magical weekend

By Elizabeth Grubart
Staff Reporter

Kids and Friends Weekend is quickly approaching, and the Residence Hall Association members are busily preparing for this long-awaited Disney-themed event.

The RHA will be having its weekly meeting at 5 p.m. Thursday in Pemberton Hall. They will be focusing on each of the committees' events coming up.

Jake Nees, a senior sociology major and the president of the RHA,

said he is excited and that he will be bringing his nephew for the weekend to participate on Feb. 24 and 25.

Members of RHA are also selling Candy Grams for 50 cents until Friday for Valentine's Day.

Along with the Candy Grams, there will also be raffle tickets for the "29 Dollars in 29 Days basket" for \$1 said Nick Allen, a freshman pre-business major.

"29 Dollars in 29 Days" is an all-month February event in which each residence hall was given 29

dollars to go towards a service of their choice.

The RHA Relay for Life team is getting ready for the Relay for Life event on April 13. They will be discussing ways of fundraising for this soon, Nees said.

The Illinois Residence Hall Association will also be attending their conference next weekend at DePaul University.

"We have an amazing group of student leaders going to represent EIU," Nees said.

Each of the other committees

will be discussing its plans for future events.

Other committees such as Social Justice and Diversity have been contacting other organizations that would like to take part in Social Justice and Diversity Week.

Nees said they are looking for organizations of all sorts to run programs throughout the week. The committee will be doing a "writing on the wall" program again.

Community Development committee has been getting ideas together for Green Week.

"It is somewhat new this year with the green theme but at the same time having fun activities that will get students out for some friendly competition," Nees said.

Nees said students can go to <http://castle.eiu.edu/~rhaorg/> to register for Kids and Friends Weekend.

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STAFF EDITORIAL

Prop. 8 moves closer to date with dustbin

Washington became the seventh state to allow gay couples to marry on Wednesday — following the examples of Connecticut, New Hampshire, Iowa, Massachusetts, New York and Vermont — as well as the District of Columbia.

This news follows the monumental decision by the 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in California to overturn the Proposition 8 ruling in a 2-1 vote.

#PROP8 hashtags flooded Twitter Tuesday with the announcement. Drag-queen extraordinaire RuPaul said it best on Twitter — “Prop 8, sashay away.” And sashay it did.

“Proposition 8 served no purpose, and had no effect, other than to lessen the status and human dignity of gays and lesbians in California,” wrote U.S. Circuit Judge Stephen Reinhardt.

The justices also stated the law had no purpose other than to deny gay couples marriage, since California already grants them all the rights and benefits of marriage if they register as domestic partners, *The Washington Post* reported.

The ban known as Proposition 8 was approved by voters in 2008 with 52 percent of the vote. Essentially, Prop. 8 was aimed toward ostracizing the LGBTQ community by institutionalizing their status as second-class citizens. However, it accomplished the opposite.

Through campaigns all over the nation and through social networking, staggering numbers of our generation bonded together to speak out against legislation that revoked the rights of our co-workers, our friends, our loved ones. For a country that usually only bonds together to determine the winner of a televised singing competition, this was historic.

Prop. 8 even spawned a musical with a gyrating Jack Black Jesus Christ.

But Prop. 8 was a product of some of our nation's most regressive, reactionary tendencies. It was a gross infringement of the rights already given to same-sex couples in California. Voters passed Proposition 8 five months after the state Supreme Court legalized same-sex marriage by stating “only marriage between a man and a woman is valid or recognized in California.” An estimated 18,000 couples tied the knot during the window before Proposition 8 took effect.

This ruling is not an example of judicial overreach. It is an example of why we have a judiciary. Americans are allowed to vote on just about anything. But a majority can't vote to take away the basic rights of a minority.

Prop. 8 was designed with the sole intent of denying gay couples their right to marry, and the court was right to rule it unconstitutional.

ProtectMarriage, the backers of Prop. 8, have 90 days to appeal to a larger panel of the 9th Circuit or go directly to the U.S. Supreme Court.

Whether or not this issue will reach the Supreme Court is still uncertain. But we are one step closer to ensuring all people the right to make fools of themselves on “Divorce Court.” And we couldn't be happier.

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COLUMN

Santorum sings sanctimonious oldies hits

The greatest regret I'll ever have is not running for the 2012 GOP presidential candidacy. I'm not Mitt Romney, I can't speak Mandarin and I don't want to end the Federal Reserve. Apparently that's all one needed to be front-runner for at least a month.

The latest episode of “Survivor: Country Club Island” aired Tuesday. (Skip this bit if you TiVoed it.) Dark Horse Rick Santorum (the guy in the sweater vest who always hangs out in the back) shocked the world (of cable news) by winning in Colorado, Minnesota and Missouri.

Technically, Santorum didn't win any delegates on Tuesday. Colorado and Minnesota's votes were non-binding and won't be awarded for some time. In Missouri, where no delegates were at stake, voters were basically picking Homecoming King and Santorum was the only one to show up at the dance.

So, who the hell cares? Well, the next primary is three weeks away, so 24-hour cable news networks have to care. Reporters and pundits will have to replace some fraction of the 22 hours spent on pre-game and post-game analysis and manufactured conflict with actual news. This saves them the trouble by shifting the narrative right before halftime.

But there are things to be read in these tea party leaves. Santorum didn't just beat Romney, he pinned his sweaty ass to the floor and made him cry “Uncle!” (In Jesus' name!) Romney didn't win a single county in Minnesota or



Dave Balson

Missouri.

Santorum's surge(ish) can be attributed to two things: 1) He's still not Mitt Romney.

2) The religious right had more things to get angry (excited) about this week than they have since Osama Bin Laden and Lady Gaga tried to build that gay mosque on Ground Zero.

Obama waged a war on Christians, requiring institutions like Catholic hospitals and universities that serve the public to provide the same health care plans as any other institution, including contraceptives like birth control pills. Then gay judges waged a war on straight marriage, finding California's ban on gay marriage unconstitutional.

Santorum made the most of these slights against God, and conservatives readily rallied behind righteous Rick. But the American people won't. Ever. While the religious right was off finding itself in Sarah Palin's Alaska, the rest of us moved on.

Wednesday morning on Fox News, Santo-

rum called the new health care policy, “a direct assault on the First Amendment, not only a direct assault on freedom of religion, by forcing people specifically to do things that are against their religious teachings.”

The real First Amendment protects people from being discriminated against based on their religion; it doesn't protect discrimination that is based in religion. Otherwise every employer would be a Christian Scientist and no one would get any health care.

Then, Wednesday evening, he decried the ruling against Proposition 8. Public opinion on gay marriage has shifted dramatically since the Bush era. The most recent Gallup poll found support for legalizing gay marriage at an all time high of 64 percent. GOP talking points have changed. Government is the antichrist again—you just can't get enough traction in the culture wars nowadays.

Santorum is a relic of the GOP of yesteryear. That's why last night's comments about Prop. 8 were so unbelievably tortured and silly. He told the crowd that Obama is “all about appointing justices who think that the family is simply an institution that gets in the way of government directly controlling your life.”

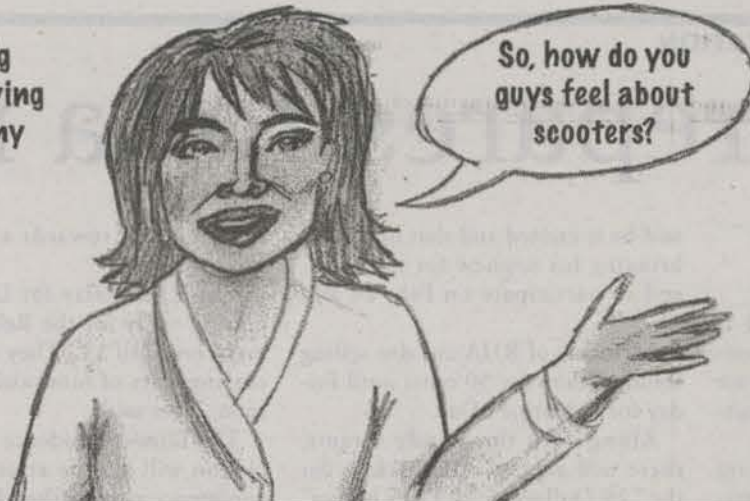
They just don't write 'em like that anymore.

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FROM THE EASEL

According to the the latest report from the Audit Bureau of Circulations, O magazine sales dropped from 608,212 copies to 413,363 copies compared to the same period last year. The magazine's total circulation also saw a 5% drop, bringing the total to only 2,380,782.

Turns out, the 'Big O' may not be giving away any cars any time soon.



SHELLEY HOLMGREN | THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

COLUMN

Alas, I am too crazy to take a mental health day

As we get closer to midterms, the amount of schoolwork will ratchet up every day. With the increase in assignments, reading and studying comes an equal increase in stress.

If you're anything like me, the first thing you'll do when stress starts to get you down is look for an escape. Some escape reality with a few rounds on the Union's therapeutic massage chairs, or with a couple of hours playing video games or even by running into the welcoming embrace of grain alcohol.

While these activities are practically guaranteed to get your mind off your depressing obligations for a couple of hours, there are ways to take escapes one step further. Those who really go into relaxation whole-hog are those who engage in “mental health days.”

I'd not heard of mental health days until I came to Eastern. It makes sense few of my high-school peers took mental health days. For one, where would high schoolers stay when playing hookey from reality on a school day? Unless they have the resources and gumption on the level of Ferris Bueller, they aren't going to have as great of a day off as those in college.

As an undergraduate, I'd hear stories told by my freedom-loving friends who told me of entire days spent either lying in bed, playing Fris-



Doug T. Graham

bee on the quad or camping out in the dining hall on a single meal swipe. The common thread throughout these stories was that they did not give a single care about the class time and work they were missing.

As much as I love the concept, I've never been able to have a successful mental health day. Once, on a particularly beautiful spring morning during sophomore year, I was inspired to be like my friends and take a mental health day. I turned off my alarm and settled back into bed for what promised to be a relaxing, carefree mid-morning snooze.

My resolve lasted all of about 20 minutes. After shutting my eyes I found myself peering at my alarm clock, worrying about missing class every passing minute. Finally, with moments before class, I jumped into my clothes, flung open

my door and beat a path down to Buzzard hall.

Even when I'm sick I find it difficult to let go. Recently, a viral infection turned my nose into a leaky mucus faucet and my throat into a Brillo-pad. Apart from the time I spent dragging myself to class, I kept cooped up in my apartment. But while my body rested and tried to fight off the infection, my mind raced with all of the things I could have been accomplishing on campus.

I'm simply too much of a worrier to forget about school during the week. I can't even take an evening off to engage in such relaxing activities as watching TV, cooking complicated meals or contemplating my place in the vast, swirling plane of existence.

Despite my worrying ways, I've picked up on one crucial piece of advice about mental health days I'll pass on here.

The best day to forget your troubles, sleep in and not give a care in the world is a little day I like to call “Saturday.” Make the most of yours and maybe you won't find yourself skipping your 8 a.m. lectures as often.

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CAMPUS

Student returns to Eastern to play piano

By Samantha McDaniel
Activities Editor

A former Eastern student is returning to campus to play the piano and help students.

Andre Loss, a former international student from Brazil, will be playing the piano at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday in the Doudna Fine Arts Center.

Marilyn Coles, a professor of vocal music, said Loss was working on his degree in the early 1990s.

While at Eastern, Loss helped with master classes while he attended Eastern.

Loss is a professor of piano and piano literature at the Federal Uni-

versity in Porto Alegre, Brazil.

Coles said Loss has performed at Eastern before.

"Loss contacted me and told me he wanted to come and play a concert here at Eastern, so he came and played in 2010 and now again this year," Coles said.

Coles said Loss will be performing "The Twelve Transcendental Etudes" by Franz Liszt, which is made up of 12 movements.

"The reason he chose all one composer is because it is the 200 birthday year of Franz Liszt," Coles said. "These works are extremely difficult; only really exceptional pianists can play them."

Coles said anyone who plays the

piano will appreciate the pieces in the recital.

"Music students, of course, should know about Franz Liszt and should know that these are very difficult works that they don't get to hear live very often," Coles said.

Coles said students can learn from the recital.

"Piano students should especially get a lot out of it, because they know the technical difficulty of it," Coles said.

Coles said other students can benefit from hearing him perform as well.

"They don't get to hear professional level pianists or musicians that often," Coles said. "They get

to hear the faculty, we are all professionals, but they don't get to hear much outside of Eastern. Whenever they have the opportunity to hear musicians, they benefit."

Coles said as a music student, they work on a lot of techniques and Loss will demonstrate them.

"The purpose is to play beautifully, so the end result is what they hear in the performance," Coles said. "All that hard work they do all the time, they may not realize the end result can be so beautiful unless they hear some professional quality performances."

Loss will also be teaching a master class on Monday.

"The piano majors gain the most, because they get to hear how he works with other students, what he corrects, how he helps improve them," Coles said.

Coles said Loss asked to perform at Eastern so he could see the school again.

"He has such good memories of Eastern that he wanted to come back," Coles said.

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Winners received 50 points towards the in-house trophy competition, Eastern Panthers in the Community (EPIC).

In this competition, athletes can earn "points" by getting good grades, doing community service and performing well athletically.

One Eastern team wins every year and receives a trophy and plaque in the Academic Service Center.

Lamarr Pottinger, senior sports management major and SAAC member, said putting on such a large event was not easy.

"It took lots of preparation and luckily we had a lot of support from the administration," he said.

Many faculty members helped work the event and several coaches helped judge the acts, including Eastern's new football coach, Dino Babers.

As far as fundraising goes, Pottinger said Jock n' Roll will not be SAAC's last.

"We meet monthly to plan more events that could help us raise more money," he said.

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SENATE, from page 1

"I brought it up at last (Jan. 24) city council meeting and talked to Charleston Police Chief Baker, but received some pretty generic response about how the information is from press releases and that they monitor the comments for profanity," Jones said.

A family came to the Tuesday's city council meeting and protested the page.

"It could be any student on the page," Jones said.

"This is something that directly effects the students," said Zach Samples, speaker of the Student Senate. "It is critical we look into it."

The senate unanimously passed emergency legislation to move their next meeting to 6 p.m.

The reasoning was so they can all attend the "Blue Out" event taking place at 7 p.m. during the Men's Basketball game at 7 p.m. in Lantz Area on Feb. 15.

"I'm very excited for the event," said Deason, one of the organizers. "In high school, school spirit was huge and I just want to bring that to Eastern."

They also tabled bills on budget freezes for the Student Recreation Center, University Board and Student Government.

Scherle announced April 18 as lobby day where he and student

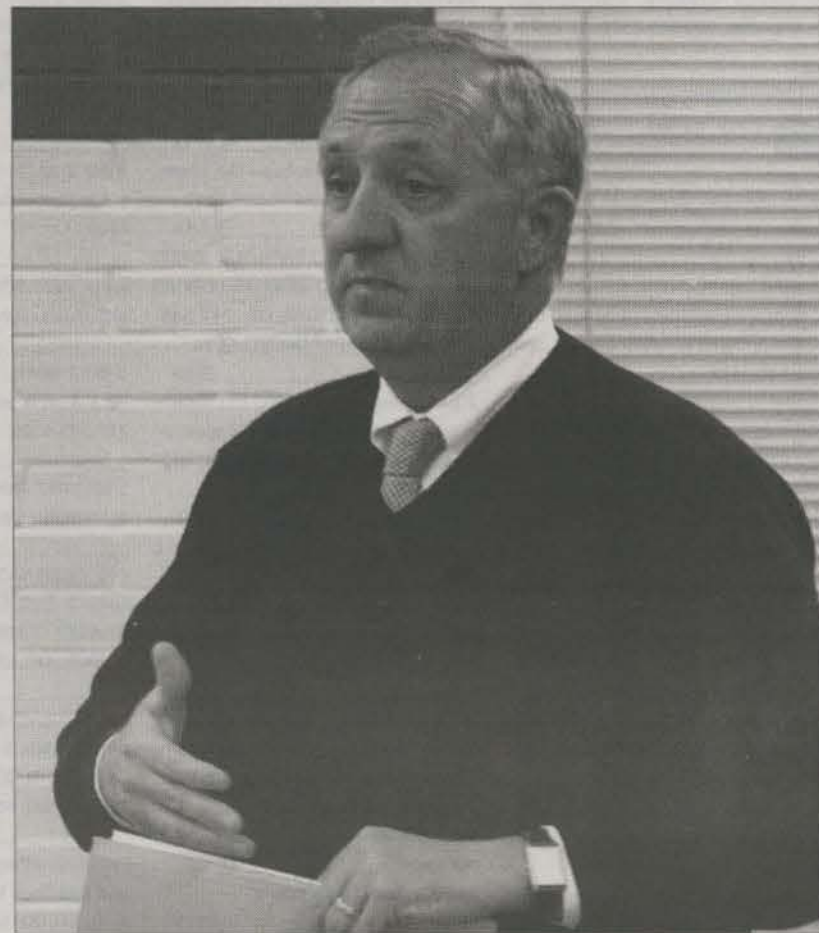
"My goal is to get 1,000 signed letters from Eastern students to bring to Springfield."
Jarrod Scherle, student executive vice president of student government

government members will travel to Springfield and lobby local legislators to favor the funding of MAP grants and a new science building for Eastern.

"My goal is to get 1,000 signed letters from Eastern students to bring to Springfield," Scherle said.

The next Student Government meeting will take place in the Arcola/Tuscola Room of the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union at 6 p.m. on Feb. 15.

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Vice President for Student Affairs Dan Nadler spoke to the members of the Student Senate during their meeting on Feb. 8, in the Arcola/Tuscola Room of the MLK Union. Nadler commended Student Senator Blair Jones for her work at the Charleston City Council meeting on Feb. 7, and addressed the Senate about the speed limit changes for Fourth Street.

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MEN'S SOCCER

Panthers announce '12 recruiting class

Staff Report

Eastern's men's soccer team announced their recruiting class for the 2012 season. The recruiting class is headlined by six players from Illinois, one player from Indiana and one player from England. The recruiting class also included Charleston native, Eric McCausland.

In addition to McCausland, midfielders Braiden Acton and Nick Smith will also join the Panthers next season. The Panther defense will also get a strong boost from defenders Conor Bartuch, Kyle Callender, Jake Plant and goalkeeper Garrett Creosor.

"This is another great class of student athletes coming to Eastern Illinois," head coach Adam Howarth said, in a press release. "A lot of credit goes to assistant coach Mark Hansen, who spent a lot of time working to get all of them placed.

2012 Recruiting Class

- **Braiden Acton** (M/F) - Evansville, Ind./Evansville North
- **Conor Bartuch** (D) - Manhattan, Ill./Lincoln Way Central
- **Kyle Callender** (D) - Lake Zurich, Ill./Lake Zurich
- **Garrett Creosor** (GK) - St. Charles, Ill./St. Charles North
- **Eric McCausland** (D/M) - Charleston, Ill./Charleston
- **Anthony Meza** (F) - Carpentersville, Ill./Dundee Crown
- **Jake Plant** (D) - Birmingham, United Kingdom/Northern Iowa C.C.
- **Nick Smith** (M) - Bolingbrook, Ill./Nequa Valley

We still are looking to add a few players to the class, but feel that this is a great start."

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Senior catcher Hailee Hanna will return for her final season. Hanna hit for a batting average of .339 with seven homeruns and 22 runs batted in.

Sophomore pitching ace Stephanie Mayday also returns this season after a fantastic freshman year where she won 14 games, recorded a 1.61 ERA and struck out 114 batters. She was also named as a second team all OVC selection. She will be joined on the mound by sophomore newcomer Hanna Mennenga, a transfer from Heartland Community College.

Sophomore two-sport athlete (Volleyball) Reynae Hutchinson will also get more innings on the mound this year.

Overall, the team is very confident and knows it has a lot to prove.

"We have a lot of girls returning and we're building on our skills from last year, expecting to do better and more advanced things, and we're looking to repeat," first baseman Amanda Belinda said.

With the team looking to repeat and a load of experienced players returning with the Ohio Valley Conference coach of the year on their side, it seems likely that the fans will have a lot to look forward too from the 2012 Panther softball team.

The season will kick off on Feb. 18, when the team travels to Atlanta, Ga., to play in the Georgia State tournament. Its first opponent will be Chattanooga.

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MEN'S BASKETBALL

Panthers face prolific offense

Murphy proves to be difficult to handle

By Rob Mortell
Staff Reporter

In the midst of an eight-game losing streak, Eastern's men's basketball team will attempt to end its streak when it goes on the road to take on Ohio Valley Conference rival, Tennessee Tech.

The Panthers will have the task of stopping the OVC's leading scorer in senior forward Kevin Murphy. The 6-foot-6-inch forward is averaging 21.8 points per game, while shooting 47 percent from the field. Murphy also gives the Golden Eagles a serious threat from beyond the three-point line. He makes 2.4 shots per game from outside the three-point line, and is shooting 45 percent from distance on the season. Murphy's production does not stop on offense. He is averaging 5.6 rebounds, 2.2 assists and 1 steal per game.

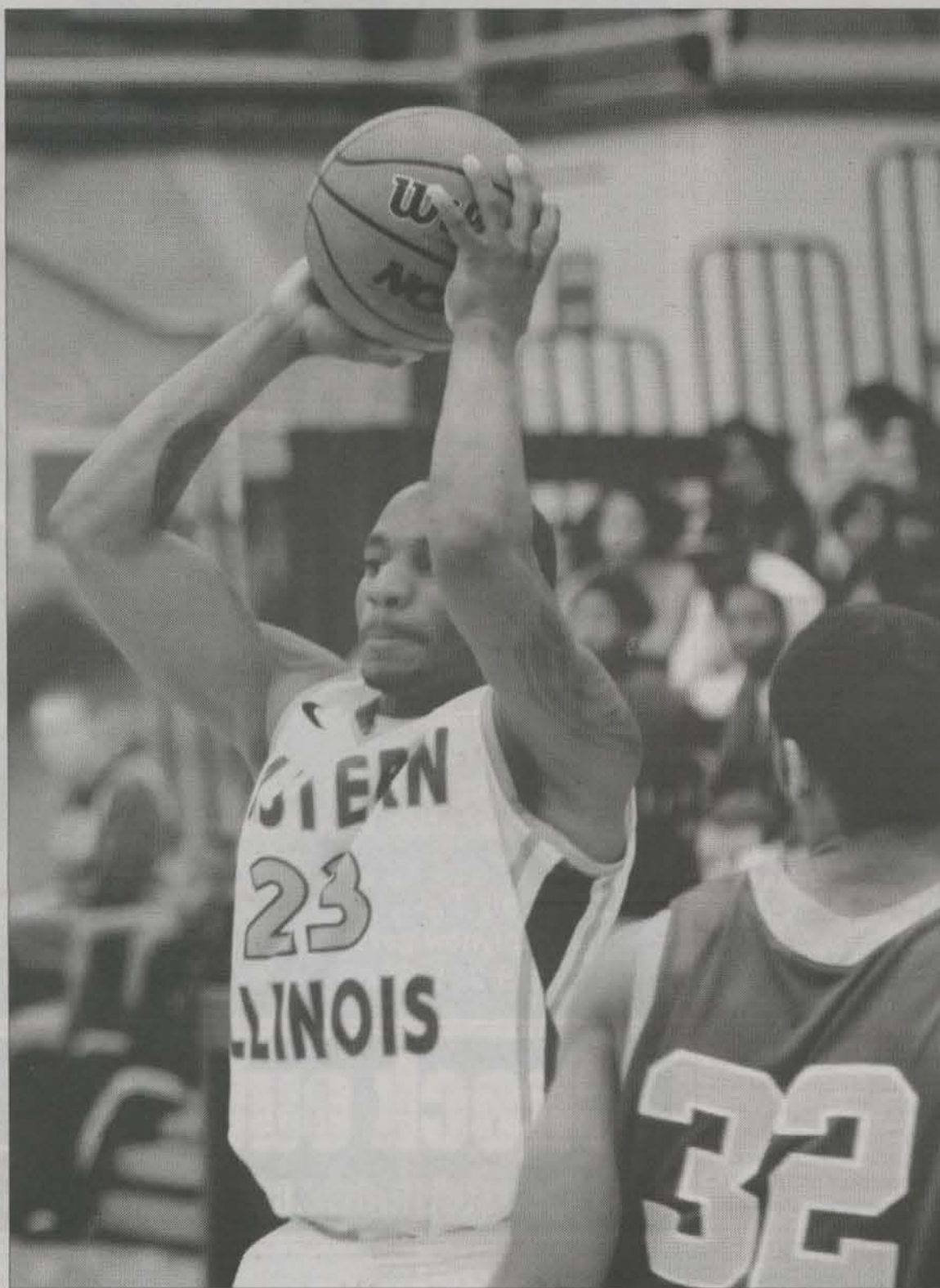
If the threat of Murphy is stopped, Tennessee Tech has another option in junior guard Jud Dillard. The 6-foot-4-inch guard plays much bigger than his height. He leads the team with 8.6 rebounds per game. However, Dillard gives the Golden Eagles a second quality scoring option. He is averaging 18.3 points per game, while shooting 52 percent from the field.

Most Eastern fans should also remember clutch shooting senior guard Zac Swansey, who hit two game-winning shots against the Panthers last season. This season he is averaging 7.7 points per game and dishing out a team-high six assists per game.

Dillard, Swansey and Murphy have led Tennessee Tech to the second best offense in the conference, averaging 74.5 points per game. They have an average scoring margin of +3.2 points, which is also second best in the OVC.

At 8-4 in the conference, the Golden Eagles find themselves in a tie for second in the standings, while Eastern sits at 2-9 and is tenth in the standings. The top eight teams make the OVC tournament at the end of the season.

The Panthers are led by senior



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Red shirt senior L.C. Doss holds the ball high as he prepares to pass to a teammate Saturday in Lantz Arena during a game against Morehead State. The Panthers lost 55-56 and will travel to Cookeville, Tenn. to play Tennessee Tech 7 p.m. today.

guard Jeremy Granger who is averaging 15.3 points per game, which leads the team. He also leads the team in assists (3.4) and steals (1). Sophomore forward Alfonzo McKinnie is one the OVC's most improved players this season.

The 6-foot-7-inch forward is averaging 10.8 points per game and pulling down a team-high 7.3 rebounds as well. Freshman guard Joey Miller is the only other Panther averaging double-digits in points with 10.1.

Tip-off is scheduled for 7 p.m. at Hooper Eblen Arena in Cookeville, Tenn.

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SOFTBALL PREVIEW

Panthers poised for big season

Erik Jensen
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The 2012 Eastern Illinois softball team is on a mission to be better than last year's team, which is quite the task, considering they went 40-12 and won the regular season conference title.

The Panthers have reason to be confident, though, as they return eight starting position players and pitching ace Stephanie Mayday. Seventh year head coach Kim Schuette, the 2011 Ohio Valley Conference coach of the year, has very high expectations for the team as well, but wants them to approach each day as a new beginning.

"After you have a season like last year you tend to forget how much daily work had to occur for that to happen," head coach Kim Schuette said. "Day one, you have to work hard at practice, that's what I need to make sure I think about as well as the players. Think about one game at a time and being prepared for the first game we step onto the field, not the end result."

The enthusiasm for the upcoming season is not only prevalent throughout the coaching staff and fans, but also among the team.

"We're excited. We're ready to get going and ready for some competition to see how we look," senior first baseman Amanda Belinda said.

"We're expecting good things."

Eastern fans can expect this year's lineup to look fairly similar to last year's group, which set school records for wins and homeruns.

"We don't really know who's going to be starting," Schuette said. "We have some kids we brought in who are pretty dang talented, and there's a lot of competition. I think the core will look similar."

The preseason poll was just recently released with Eastern being picked to finish second in the conference.

"I guess it's a compliment because Eastern's never been picked to finish second in a conference preseason poll," Schuette said. "On the other hand, it's kind of a slap on the

wrist because we won it all last year, so why weren't we picked first."

The Panthers lineup will be led by junior centerfielder Melise Brown. Brown hit for a .384 batting average last season, with 30 RBIs and 40 runs scored. She was also an all Ohio Valley Conference first team selection.

Sophomores Morgan Biel and Carly Willert, both second team Ohio Valley Conference players, also return this season. Biel, an outfielder, hit for a batting average of .321 with four homeruns and 28 RBIs last season. Willert, an infielder, hit for a batting average of .292 with eight homeruns and 30 runs batted in.

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TOP CAT

Boey still hungry for more

By Domenic Renzetti
Sports Editor

Red-shirt senior Zye Boey is already one of the fastest track and field athletes in Eastern history. The Decatur native has accomplished more in his four year career at Eastern than some track and field athletes will in a lifetime. So what's next for Boey? Run even faster.

"I accept the victory, of course, but just the time I ran, I actually wanted to go a little bit faster," Boey said after the Notre Dame Meyo Invite, where he won the men's 200-meter dash with a time of 21.12 seconds.

Boey is no stranger to success at the Notre Dame Meyo Invite. At last year's event, he, again, won the men's 200-meter dash, but it was just a tad faster. Boey's 20.89 second time was the fastest indoor 200-meter dash time in Eastern history. History wasn't made this year, but Boey still picked up his fourth win of the season in the event.

For the past two weeks, Boey's competition has been anything but chump change. In just the past two weeks, Boey has taken on competition from major conference schools such as Indiana, Michigan State, Notre Dame, Ohio State, Purdue and Kentucky, and he's beaten them all.

Boey's performance hasn't gone unnoticed either. Along with being the No. 7 200-meter runner in the nation, Boey has been the Ohio Valley Conference Male Track Athlete of the Week for the past three weeks.

Despite the recognition in the OVC, Boey wants more recognition for Eastern, who he says is still overlooked by the major conference schools.

"Teams don't give us much respect because we're Eastern Illinois," he said. "Week in and week out we show everybody else that we're Eastern Illinois. Just because we're a small school, doesn't mean we can't compete with the best."

Boey says with the amount of nationally ranked athletes the team has each year, the team deserves respect.

"It's funny how everybody looks down on us, but we've got five or six guys ranked in the top twenty five in the nation, every year, year in and year out," he said. "I hope they start to realize that, 'Hey, Eastern Illinois can battle with the best teams in the nation. We come ready to compete against anybody.'"

Boey will try and return to another familiar place later on this season, the NCAA Indoor championships. To qualify, he must clock a time 20.73 seconds. He will get another chance this weekend when the Panthers compete at the Grand Valley State Invitational.

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ONLINE

Story: Track & Field team moves up one spot in regional poll

Eastern's men's track and field team moved up to the No. 11 spot in this week's United States Track & Field and Cross Country Coaches Association (USTFCCA) Midwest Regional poll.

Story: Women's basketball moves up in mid-major poll

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