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Learning the hard way

Panther wrestlers may have underachieved this season, but younger players got a chance to showcase talents.
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Bananas forced to split campus

Eastern halts shipments after fruit was constantly arriving in overripe condition

By Kevin Sampier
ADMINISTRATION EDITOR

Oranges, apples, grapefruit and even pears can still be found in the dining halls, but bananas are not on the menu because of damage done by refrigerated shipping.

Mark Hudson, director of university housing and dining services, said the bananas were formerly sent by refrigerated trucks from St. Louis and were then stored in a non-refrigerated room in the dining centers.

"They look fine when they get here but when they're put in a non-refrigerated store room, they turn brown," Hudson said.

Several shipments of bananas

had to be sent back because of the overripe condition they were in, and Eastern was given a credit refund, Hudson said.

U.S. Food Service Allen Division is Eastern's prime vendor and delivers all food and supplies to the dining halls, said Jody Horn, director of residence hall food service.

Horn said the problem with the bananas has been going on for about two years and Eastern has stopped ordering them until the problem can be fixed.

"We have tried this for two years and they are still a problem," Horn said. "The vendor is working on solving this and when they do we will resume ordering them as needed."

Horn also said the problem with the bananas lies in the cold temperatures they are in during shipping.

"They are apparently freezing or something on the truck and are not a good product," Horn said. "There is no reason to order them and either send them back or get credit for them as this just adds unnecessary work for everyone."

Hudson said a meeting between Eastern administrators and representatives from U.S. Food Service, including its vice president, took place last November to address the banana problem along with other concerns.

One solution proposed by U.S. Food Service during the meeting

was "banana blankets" Hudson said.

Banana blankets are fitted blankets that are stretched over the cases to help shield the bananas from the cold temperatures so they don't brown, Hudson said. "That's the solution that they are working on."

Hudson said he would like to see the bananas sent on a non-refrigerated truck to prevent the accelerated browning.

Horn said there is no timeline for bringing the bananas back but said "we are dealing with the current suggestion and getting samples to see if it will work."

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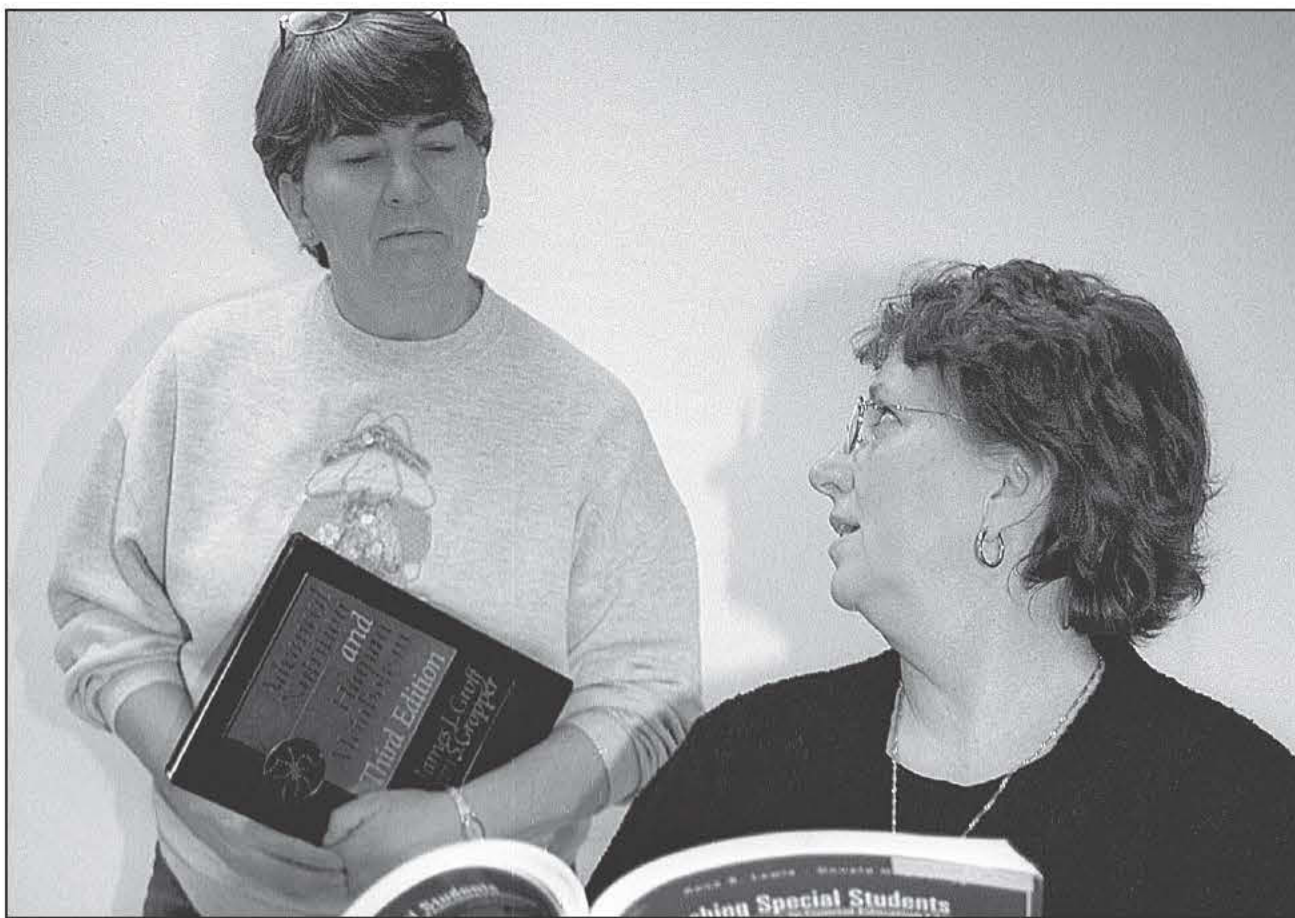


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STEPHEN HAAS

Bananas will be at a premium on campus until further notice.

"Whatever career you go into, make sure you have fun with it because life is too short not to be happy in what you are doing."

—Kathy Rhodes, nontraditional student



DAILY EASTERN NEWS PHOTO BY MARK NOVOTNY

Kathy Rhodes, a senior dietetics major, and Linda Hancock, right, a senior family and consumer sciences major, are both thriving in Eastern's setting as nontraditional, or older students, after raising families and working odd jobs.

Embracing their roles

♦ *Two nontraditional students say their life experience has helped them persevere in pursuing higher education*

By Karen Kirr
SENIOR WRITER

Both Kathy Rhodes and Linda Hancock defy the norms at Eastern when it comes to age, but nonetheless embrace their roles as nontraditional students.

With the average age of those enrolled at Eastern being 22, according

to institutional planning and management, traditional students are typically defined as those younger than 30 and any older than the benchmark are defined as nontraditional.

Rhodes, a senior dietetics major, and Hancock, a senior family and consumer sciences major with teacher certification, have overcome much adversity to get to the point where they are in their college careers.

Both 50-year-olds are grateful for their life experiences and say the past helps them value the higher education they are receiving today.

Rhodes, who hails from Ohlman and commutes to campus each day, said in her younger years she was not aware of

all the educational options available to her, besides not believing she had the determination to pursue higher education.

"I also got caught up in life," said Rhodes, who has one grown son.

After getting married for a second time, she eventually decided in 1997 she wanted to earn a bachelor's degree, but wasn't sure what field she desired to study.

Rhodes did not realize what she wanted to devote her skills to until her niece's December 1997 death. Her niece had probed Rhodes to find food she could feasibly eat as the cancer marring her gradually took its toll on her, and not

SEE NONTRADITIONAL ♦ Page 9

Income tax may rise for certain Illinois residents

By Michael Schroeder
CITY REPORTER

Voters in Coles County and the City of Mattoon elections voted to pass an advisory referendum placed on the ballots that could raise the state income tax for Illinois residents who make more than \$250,000 per year.

The referendum, which would put the money generated into schools and property tax relief for Illinois residents, was approved by 76 percent of Illinois voters.

Claude Walker, spokesman for the Lt. Gov. Pat Quinn, D-Ill., who has pushed for this referendum, said the office was very pleased with the result of the vote. There was an expected positive reaction in heavily Democratic areas like the inner city of Chicago. However there also was a positive reaction in heavily Republican counties like McDonough, which is the county that Macomb, where Western Illinois University is located, is in, he said.

The tax will be placed only on those who make more than \$250,000 per year, which represents less than 1.4 percent of the state population, Walker said.

The extra money from the tax will be put toward education and property tax relief on homeowners.

Walker said the money that goes toward education will help ease the "savage inequalities" of the school system. It will also help those who are being hurt by the increasing property tax rates.

"The property tax is spinning out of control and this gives relief to those 2.7 million residents of Illinois," he said.

State Rep. Dale Righter, a Republican, disagrees with this referendum.

"The lieutenant governor has a long history of being very good at political activism. His proposal to increase taxes give measured lip service to decreasing property tax," he said.

The problem in the education is not how much money there is, but how the money is being spent.

"The net take of the proposal is it's more money to spend on more programs, another way to feed the monster," Righter said.

According to the press release from Quinn's office, every homeowner in Illinois will receive an annual rebate check of at least \$208 on July 1 of every year. Altogether a \$575 million in property tax relief.

Another \$575 million will be given to all 888 public school districts in Illinois, an average of \$277 for each of the state's students, the press release said.

Presently the state income tax is set at 3 percent for the entire state of Illinois. This referendum will keep it at 3 percent for those under \$250,000 and double the state income tax to 6 percent for those with a yearly income of more than \$250,000, Walker said.

He said the state income tax is one of the lowest in the country and definitely in the Midwest. Minnesota

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Dale Righter

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Monday
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DAILY EASTERN NEWS PHOTO BY STEPHEN HAAS

The EIU Combo I band plays Feb. 19 in the rotunda of the Capitol Building during "Eastern Day." Eastern's music department's jazz concert will be Tuesday at 6:30 p.m. in the Grand Ballroom of the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union.

FACULTY SENATE

Bylaw change will be voted on

By Kevin Sampier
ADMINISTRATION EDITOR

A bylaw change to create a new standing committee will be voted on Tuesday by the Faculty Senate after being postponed for two weeks.

If the bylaw change is approved, the committee it would create would be in charge of generating topics for the senate's annual faculty forum. Ideas for the most recent forum, which was held last month, were suggested by all members of the senate. Faculty Senate Chair David Carpenter previously said the proposed committee would use fewer resources by having fewer senate members tied up with the process. "In order to create that faculty forum subcommittee, we have to write that into the bylaws," Carpenter said. If the bylaw change is approved, it will give more flexibility to future senate members.

"The chair of the Faculty Senate next year can see to it that a chair can be appointed to manage the faculty forum for that year," Carpenter said. The senate will also vote on the approval of its self study for the North Central Association during the meeting. The approval of the self study was also postponed from the senate's last meeting.

Faculty Senate Vice Chair Barbara Lawrence proposed an original draft of the self study to the senate but after debate, the senate decided more details were needed. If approved, the revised self study will be sent to the North Central Association steering committee.

A motion on scholarly journals in Booth Library is being proposed by senate member Ann Brownson and will also be voted on Tuesday.

Brownson said the motion gives support to journal publishers who offer journals at reasonable prices.

"Faculty members are aware some journals may not have the best interests of scholarly publication at heart," Brownson said and added "faculty who do not choose to publish in those journals should not be penalized."

The Faculty Senate will meet at 2 p.m. Tuesday in the Booth Library Conference Room 4440.

Top jazz performers to showcase tunes

By Megan Jurinek
ACTIVITIES REPORTER

Eastern's music department's jazz concert will be at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday in the Grand Ballroom of the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union.

Students should expect to hear some of the best jazz for performers from Eastern as well as New York, said Sam Fagaly, associate professor in the music department.

"There will be quite a variety of music. Everyone will find something to enjoy," Fagaly said.

Fagaly said students will hear the musicians playing some things from standard jazz repertoire and contemporary jazz.

There will be several groups performing, three groups from Eastern and Jim Snidero accompanied by a group of musicians from New York.

Snidero is one of the voices on the forefront of contemporary jazz alto saxophone, according to a press release.

Snidero has performed at Eastern two or three times in the past, Fagaly said.

Snidero is currently touring

the Midwest and came in contact with Fagaly and asked to perform at Eastern.

Because the Combo is coming up, Fagaly was able to inquire him into the show.

Snidero plays the alto saxophone and will be accompanied by three other musicians playing bass drums and piano. These musicians are professionals from New York, Fagaly said.

The Eastern performers will have a similar set up, but because there are three different groups, each will have a dif-

ferent sound. The separate groups will feature different instruments like horns and some percussion.

The performers will also vary. Some are music majors, some are undergraduates and some are graduate students.

The show will open with the groups from Eastern, then there will be a short intermission from 7:45 p.m. to 8 p.m. Then, Snidero will finish the show until about 9 p.m.

Anyone attending is free to come and go as they please and the event is free to the public.

Deadline for students to enter Alternative Art Show today

The Art Association will be sponsoring the Alternative Art Show Wednesday, showcasing artwork alternative of Eastern students. All entries must be received today at the Burl Ives

Studio, Podesta Gallery on Ninth St. between 7 p.m. and 9:15 p.m.

All Eastern students are eligible to enter the art show and any student who entered with at least one work that was previously

rejected is eligible.

There is a \$1 entry set up fee for all entries. Entries range from paintings, sculptures, digital prints and two-dimensional and three-dimensional designs. The

maximum size for entries is 4 feet by 3 feet. All 2-D works must be matted and setup to be hung and 3-D pieces should be pre-assembled and ready for presentation.

The Alternative Art Show is on

Wed. from 6-9 p.m. and entries can be reclaimed until 10 p.m. If there are any questions, students can call Ashley Buehnerkemper at 345-1057.

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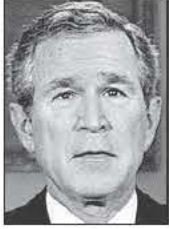
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War buzz still strong a year after U.S. invasion

By Eun-yong Park
STAFF WRITER

More than one year has passed since the "Shock and Awe" campaign signaled the beginning of the second war in Iraq, and in that time, Eastern's campus has remained concerned with the situation.



President Bush

"The war on Iraq is very unlike any other war the U.S. was involved in before," said Martin J. Hardeman, a history professor at Eastern.

The unique situation the United States had to cope with since the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks forced professors as well as students at Eastern to deal with new issues such as the predicted duration of the Iraqi War last year to today's situation.

"This gap war showed us that the maintenance of U.S. forces in Iraq is necessary to support the Iraqi people with a complement to the missing regime, which was taken down under the Bush administration," Debra Reid, assistant professor of history said.

A report in the Chicago Tribune said the war in Iraq brought up new questions concerning military strategy and the ability to respond to other similar events from the lessons learned in Iraq by the military forces in the success of precision air strikes and land division forces.

This situation will keep U.S. forces in their position in Iraq for at least three more years.

Dell Champlin, associate professor in economy, said the U.S. military should have learned from past events such as Kosovo and Yugoslavia.

"I would compare this war to the Vietnam War," Minah Dao, an economics professor said.

"First of all we need to get the job done of rebuilding the government in Iraq that was built on a tyranny to restore Iraq on the basis of democracy."

Others at Eastern have different opinions about the progress of the war.

"It was a successful war in means of bringing down the Iraqi army, but the resistances to terrorist activities are now even stronger," said Rebecca Henry, a sophomore history education major.

Henry said the attacks in Iraq and other terrorist attacks, such as the recent bombing in Madrid, Spain, have been "sticking in the mind."

A good portion of Eastern's faculty and students are certain about ending the war as soon as possible, especially the students and faculty who have relatives and/or friends overseas.

"One of my sorority sister's relatives just had a baby and was sent to the U.S. military division in Iraq," Erin Hurley, a sophomore social science major said.

The concerns of many students do not lie in the efficiency of the new government in Iraq, but in the safety of family and friends while they are in Iraq.



DAILY EASTERN NEWS PHOTO BY STEPHEN HAAS

Royally speaking

Carole Levin, a history professor from the University of Nebraska, speaks Monday evening in Booth Auditorium during the "England's Greatest Queens: Elizabeth I and Anne" presentation put on by Booth Library. Robert Bucholz, an associate professor of history at Loyola University, also spoke. The presentation was part of the national traveling exhibit being hosted by Booth Library until April 16, and is sponsored by the National Endowment for the Humanities, the Vance Family Fund, and the University of Illinois at Chicago.

Former Eastern professor, wife perish in car accident

By Blake Boldt
STAFF WRITER

The deaths of Leonard and Tanya Wood last weekend have given community members a sense of sadness and shock.

The Woods, residents of Charleston, died in a car accident Saturday, March 13 at East Harrison Street Road and Illinois Route 16 in Charleston.

The crash occurred at 6:47 p.m. when Leonard Wood crossed paths with a vehicle driven by local resident Heather Hardwick.

According to the coroner's report, Tanya Wood was pronounced dead at 7:01 p.m. at the scene.

Leonard was pronounced dead at 7:21 p.m. at Sarah Bush Lincoln Health Center.

Hardwick was taken to the hospital for treatment and later released.

The couple owned the Lincoln Book Shop and Charleston Alley Theatre on the Square.

Leonard was a professor in Eastern's history department until his retirement in the late 1980s.

Leonard began teaching after he moved the family from Connecticut and resigned from a publishing job. He continued his work in publishing throughout his years at Eastern.

Herbert Lasky, dean of Eastern's Honors College, said Leonard Wood was an incredible asset to the community.

"He was a consummate gentleman and treated everyone equally," Lasky said.

She mentioned the many contributions that Wood would often downplay.

"He wrote a number of textbooks for junior high and high schools," Lasky said.

He added that Wood was involved in the Faculty Senate and organized a cooperative program to enhance academics at Eastern.

"He left a vacuum that will never be filled," Lasky said.

Tanya Wood played a key role in founding the Coles County League of Women Voters.

She also opened the Lincoln Book Shop in the early 1960s to provide the community with a place to buy new books. The store contains many works of literature by area authors.

Cass Strong, who knew Tanya Wood for 15 years and is employed at Lincoln Book Shop, remembers the many tasks she performed in the community throughout the years.

Her community service included assisting the city council, where she took minutes at its bimonthly meetings. She was also known for sparking debate in the community by voicing opinions through various editorials.

"(Wood) was open to other opinions. She was very community-oriented," Strong said.



PHOTO COURTESY OF THE CHARLESTON ALLEY THEATRE

Longtime Charleston residents Leonard and Tanya Wood were highly regarded in the community.

Strong noted Wood's behind-the-scenes work and her active participation in community and university issues.

"She wanted what was best for the (Eastern)," Strong said.

In 1991, the Woods opened the Charleston Alley Theatre, a place for the performing arts to have a stage.

Tony Cox, an active member of the theatre, acknowledged the tremendous impact on the community the Woods had.

"There's going to be a big gap in the community now," Cox said.

He noted their tremendous influence on the people of Charleston, specifically in their involvement with the theater.

"I don't know anybody who didn't respect (Tanya)," Cox said.

He said that Tanya was a driving force in the theatre and helped it to succeed through her leadership, while Leonard was in charge of ticket sales and doing many of the little things that helped the theatre run so smoothly.

"They were two nice people," Cox said.

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EDITORIAL

Square plans will help meet citizens' needs

The Charleston City Council is working again this year to make the sidewalks around the square accessible for those with disabilities, another chance for compromise with the Coles County Historical Society.

Currently, the sidewalks around the Coles County Courthouse are not compliant with Americans with Disabilities Act requirements, which stipulate the sidewalks need to be wide enough for ease in wheelchair traffic.

Last year, a proposal to widen the sidewalks around the courthouse was taken off the council agenda after a resistance from the historical society. It also included decorative walls around the courthouse lawn, more parking spaces and street lamps containing electrical outlets for vendors at local events.

The courthouse is on the national register as a historical property and deserves special consideration, members of the society argued.

They claimed the "historical integrity" of the courthouse would be risked in the plans, which involved cutting into almost 6 inches of grass on all sides of the lawn to widen sidewalks.

Construction plans included tearing down and rebuilding a retaining wall around the courthouse, cutting back on the lawn and implementing 60-degree angle parking spaces around the Square to allow for more parking.

Council denied the project because the parking spaces were not determined safe and also because of the debate with the historical society.

The proposal has once again been brought to council with plans to repair the current sidewalks and widen them where necessary to conform with disability act stipulations.

If an important public facility, such as a courthouse where any members of the community may at one point be required to attend, does not meet disability requirements, it needs to be adapted to do so.

Visual appearance, even for historical property, should come second to practicality and conforming to peoples' needs.

Since citizens with disabilities may be required to frequent the courthouse, its sidewalks should be made to fit their needs and allow travel with ease.

The council's decision to bring this plan back into consideration is a progressive step toward conforming to all citizens' needs.

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

At issue

A proposal with plans to repair and widen sidewalks to conform with disability act stipulations has been brought back to the Charleston City Council.

Our stance

The council should reconsider this plan to better conform to all citizens' needs.

OPINION

Athletic fees bring future benefits



Matt Williams
News editor and semi-monthly columnist for *The Daily Eastern News*

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The Student Senate made the right decision by approving a 4 percent increase in the athletic fee for full time undergraduate students.

Athletic programs need continuing support from students, and people should leave the athletic department alone for trying to improve a program with the most teams in the Ohio Valley Conference and all Division I schools in the state.

Opponents of raising students' fees to go toward athletics should consider all Director of Athletics Rich McDuffie and his staff has done before they say athletics doesn't deserve extra funding.

I bet a survey that shows the individuals who are against the increased fees are also in favor of having the Indianapolis Colts use Eastern facilities for a summer training camp.

Once again, those same people may not have been supporters of putting field turf in O'Brien Stadium in the first place because the money could be put toward something else. The thing these people fail to see is without that field turf the Colts would have never even considered leaving Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology in Terre Haute, Ind., for Charleston.

Colts head coach Tony Dungy visited the campus March 9, saying the turf is a huge contributor to his interest in Eastern.

"We have it in our indoor facilities and the players love it," he said.

"Dungy wouldn't even have the chance to rave about the new turf without the hard work of the Athletic Department."

Dungy wouldn't even have the chance to rave about the new turf without the hard work of the athletic department.

Last year, the athletic department raised nearly \$600,000 on its own from private gifts for the project — something that also may have been forgotten.

Having an NFL team come to campus can only mean good things for both Charleston and the university. The likes of Peyton Manning, Edgerrin James and Marvin Harrison is more than enough to bring swarms of people to the area.

Coming with those people will be their wallets, which they will open up for local businesses, boosting the economy for the city.

A potential Colts move to Charleston could also bode well for the football team. Not only will the Eastern coaching staff get a chance to sit in on Colts meetings, but it could potentially bring higher quality recruits to the school. Higher quality athletic teams

will lead to upgrades in other areas of the school. The already high enrollment rate can only get higher as Northern Illinois University saw with the success of its football team last season. The school might also see more out of state students when people from Indiana come and figure out Eastern actually exists.

Better teams could also mean happier alumni who in the future may be willing to donate more money to the school. All of these are potentially positive things that could result in even more positive outcomes.

So while students may have to pay extra money for athletic fees, and some faculty members say the school is ignoring academics, the positives still outweigh the negatives.

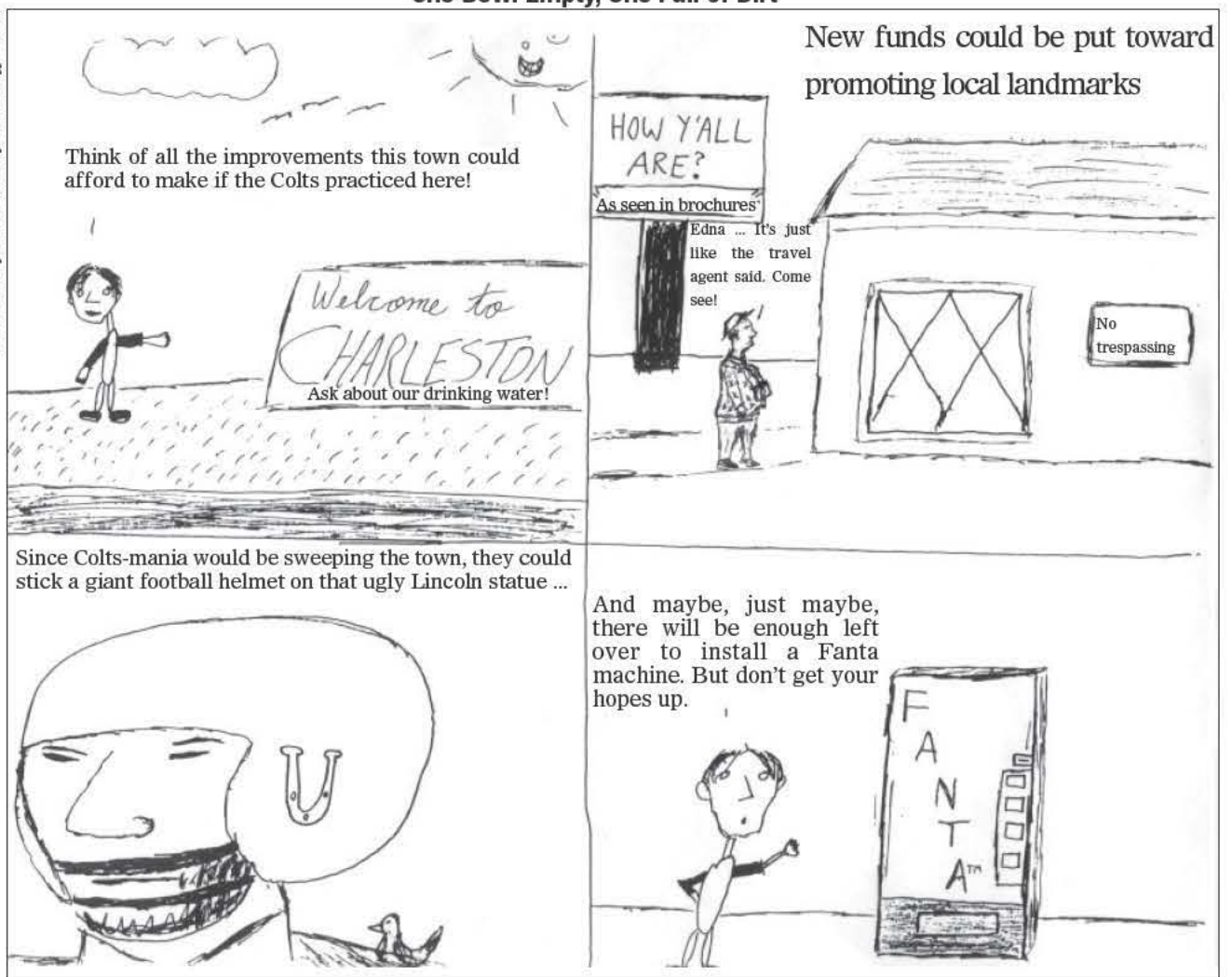
Students currently don't even pay that much for the athletic fee of \$63.50. After a 4 percent increase over a five year span, the fee will still only be at \$87.65, which is still less than other similar state institutions such as Southern Illinois and Illinois State.

Until some of the people complaining about increased fees come up with ideas to bring immediate income to the school, I say stop complaining about how McDuffie and the athletic department are being greedy by asking for more money.

McDuffie raised \$600,000 so why can't we give him a small increase that could lead to big things?

One Bowl Empty, One Full of Dirt

Cartoon by Ben Marcy and Jeff Beal



YOUR TURN: LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Darwin theories explain results

The title used for Glenn Anderson's recent letter "Darwin's theories are not factual" published Feb. 27 was an accurate depiction of reality in that the process of science entails the objective testing and retesting of scientific hypotheses about the natural world.

Charles Darwin and scientists who preceded and followed him, were doing just that when (Darwin) proposed an explanation for the process by which species have changed over time. He was not advocating a new

belief system; rather, he was simply reporting the results of his research (his conclusions having been substantiated by countless number of experiments since that time).

In contrast, a theology presents information that one must accept on faith and for which no objective tests can be made. The books that Anderson suggests reading for further clarification are not written by scientists, do not include testable hypotheses that address life's origins or evo-

lution and contain the very "intellectual dishonesty" that Anderson claims they lack.

Darwinism is not at odds with science because the same process that Darwin used to demonstrate evolution by process of natural selection was used to develop other theories governing

natural law (e.g., gravity, Kirchoff's laws, Ohm's law, etc.). If Anderson does not accept these theories, then perhaps he thinks his computer operates by divine intervention?

Stephen J. Mullin, Ph.D., assistant professor, biological sciences

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STUDENT SENATE

Group will determine fate of two failed proposals

◆ *Student senate must suspend bylaws to ensure student fees report makes next week's deadline; senate members to weigh pros and cons of two fees*

By Brian O'Malley
STUDENT GOVERNMENT EDITOR

The Tuition and Fee Review Committee Tuesday will discuss two motions the Student Senate has failed.

The senate previously failed two fee increase motions at its March 10 meeting.

Nikki Kull, chair of the senate Tuition and Fee Review Committee, said a full report of the committee's and senate's decisions regarding five student fees is due on March 31.



Larry Ward

Kull said that date was changed from March 24 after the senate failed the motions.

"That is the absolute last day it can be handed in," she said.

Kull is required to give President Lou Hencken the report, which consists of the senate motions, the vote totals, a summary of senate opinions and controversies and the recorded minutes of each committee and senate meeting.

"We've talked about these for three weeks," she said. "We should have a decision already made."

One of the failed motions was a motion to increase the Health

Service fee by 6 percent, which was vetoed on March 4 by Student Body President Caleb Judy.

A veto must meet a two-thirds senate decision in order to pass. The senate voted 17-9, which is not a two-thirds decision.

When the motion is discussed by the senate at Wednesday's meeting, only a majority decision will be needed to pass the motion.

Kull said that the senate will have to suspend the bylaws to vote on the motions Wednesday in order to get the report in on March 31.

"We'll have to suspend the bylaws, so I can get the report in President Hencken's hands on time," she said.

In addition to the Health Service fee proposal, the other motion concerns the increase of the grant-in-aid fee, which was originally proposed at \$2.40 to the athletics portion.

Kull said she was not previously informed that the grant-in-aid fee proposes to distribute 80 percent to athletics, with the remaining 20 percent going to academics.

The committee will discuss the addition of 60 cents that would constitute a total amount of \$3 more for each full-time undergraduate student.

"We've already discussed certain things, so the decisions will probably be made quicker than usual," she said.

Kull said Rich McDuffie, director of athletics, will be in attendance at Tuesday's meeting along with other speakers and persons interested in the two fees.

Kull said McDuffie has suggested an increase of \$4 instead of the currently proposed \$3 increase.

Judy: Lack of discussion regarding vetoed motion sparks irritation, disapproval

◆ *Student senate members cite trust in committee as reason for impulsive voting action*

By Brian O'Malley
STUDENT GOVERNMENT EDITOR

The Student Senate's decision to pass a motion previously vetoed by Student Body President Caleb Judy left the president "frustrated."

Judy vetoed two motions March 4 after the senate passed them the night before. According to the bylaws, his vetoes required a two-thirds senate decision to be passed.

A motion increasing the Student Recreation Center fee to 4 percent was passed unanimously, but a motion increasing the Health Service fee 6 percent reached a 17-9 vote, which does not meet the two-thirds requirement.

When the senate convened to discuss the vetoed motion March 10, a vote was called for after only one or two senate members had opportunities to voice their opinions. The senate then voted 18-8 to go into a vote.

Judy said the decision to vote and senate's approval of the decision were not wisely made.

"Both of those decisions were ignorant," Judy said. "There wasn't even an attempt to talk about the bill."

He said his veto was meant to give each senate member a chance to get more information about the motion before going to a vote.

"It's either that senators did enough research or did nothing and voted the same," Judy said.

Jeff Collier, chair of the senate Academic Affairs



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—Caleb Judy, student body president

Committee, said he was one of the 17 members who voted in favor of the motion.

Collier said many senate members trusted the Tuition and Fee Review Committee's decision of recommending a 6 percent increase.

"I think the majority placed their trust in the committee," Collier said.

The committee will meet Tuesday to rewrite the motion to meet the senate's satisfaction.

Collier said he understands Judy's veto and is glad the senate will have another chance to discuss the matter.

"I respect his veto and I voted to keep his veto intact," he said. "It'll be good to discuss it again."

Judy said if the motion was further discussed, then he wouldn't mind the outcome of the vote.

"More discussion was needed on it," he said. "It shows that we're thinking about it and making educated decisions."

The Health Service fee motion will be discussed at 7 p.m. Wednesday in the Arcola/Tuscola Room of the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union.

"I do not see the committee going for a \$4 increase," Kull admitted. "It'll be interesting to see what the committee decides."

Larry Ward, student vice president for financial affairs, seemed optimistic about the stu-

dent fees report making its new deadline.

Ward said as long as the senate votes to suspend the bylaws and approves the proposed motions, then Kull's report will be turned in on schedule to President Hencken.

"She'll have a tighter time line, but the report will be finished," Ward said.

The Tuition and Fee Review Committee will meet at 7 p.m. Tuesday in a room to be determined of the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union.

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First-day ticket sales sluggish for spring concert

◆ *Alternative headliners will rock Lantz arena at April concert date; UB surveys show demand for the two featured bands*

By Sally Regan
STAFF WRITER

Tickets for the April 25 Something Corporate and Yellowcard concert went on sale at the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union Monday at 10 a.m. and by 10:15 the ticket line had vanished.

There was a steady flow of ticket sales throughout the morning and by noon 250 tickets had been sold, Joe Atamian, University Board concert coordinator said.

"There are a good amount of tickets sold each day prior to the concert usually. Today was probably a slower day because it is the Monday after Spring Break," Kristen Thorburn, University Board co-concert coordinator, said.

Lauri Cook, freshman speech pathology major, was among the students who did not put off getting tickets.

"I went to get tickets this morning because I like Something Corporate a lot and I've never been to one of their concerts. 'Forget December' is one of my favorite songs so I hope they play it at the



CAPITOL RECORDS PHOTO BY SASHA EISENMAN

Rock band Yellowcard will bring its music to Eastern for an upcoming concert with Something Corporate.

concert."

Freshman elementary education major Ashley Wolen said she plans to purchase tickets tomorrow.

"Yellowcard is one of my favorite bands but I couldn't miss

class to get tickets today," she said. "I'm really excited about Yellowcard coming to Eastern because I haven't seen them perform.

"My brother saw them when

they toured for their first CD and said that they were amazing."

To arrange concerts at Eastern, Atamian and Thorburn research acts that have touring times scheduled during a time appropriate for

Eastern.

Students were also surveyed to learn what acts would interest students.

Something Corporate and Yellowcard were at the top of the University Board's surveys, Thorburn said.

Once Atamian and Thorburn narrow it down to a few bands, they use a booking agency to contact the bands and make their offer. Dashboard Confessional was one of the other bands Atamian said they made an offer to, but the band turned them down.

"If Guster or Red Hot Chili Peppers were coming to Eastern I would have went today to get tickets but I'm still deciding if I'm going to go to Something Corporate and Yellowcard," said Joe Smith, freshman marketing major. "I might have to work and most of my friends don't like that kind of music so I have to find people to go with."

Tickets are \$8 for students and go on sale to the general public Monday, March 29 for \$15.

Rock Out!

◆ What?

Something Corporate & Yellowcard concert

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April 25th

◆ Where?

Lantz arena

New resident assistants selected from competitive field of 185

◆ *Forty-four students will complete four-week training session in preparation for RA roles*

By Ali Vlahos
STAFF WRITER

Resident assistants have a variety of jobs to do; in addition to balancing good academic standing and managing time in general, RAs learn how to effectively communicate with their residents.

According to the Eastern housing Web site, in order to become an RA a student must hold a 2.25 GPA, promote studying, advocate good class attendance, and have a full-time course load.

Jody Stone, assistant director of student housing, said advertising

for the RA positions usually begins in September with applications due in December. Workshops take place early in the spring semester and RAs are picked in March.

Mark Hudson, director of Housing and Dining Services, said the process of selecting RAs happened the week before spring break and hopes letters reached the prospective RAs before spring break.

Hudson also said a group of RAs and alternates will continue their training for four weeks of training after spring break.

Forty-four RA positions are available and there are 83 spots total, Hudson said. For the 2004-2005 school year, 185 students applied, and there will most likely be a pool of 60 or 70 alternates.

"The most important thing we

"RAs are the most important part of the housing experience and it is the best job on campus."

—Mark Hudson

look for in an applicant is maturity. And I define maturity as doing the right thing when no one is looking," Hudson said. "People aren't cut out like cookies. We look for a staff that compliments each other. We look for people who have a high maturity level and a caring approach to people."

Becoming an RA can offer skills that can be applied to a job after graduation.

"RAs are the most important part of the housing experience and it is the best job on campus," Hudson said. "When you get out in the job market, every employer is looking for (the skills learned as an RA) in their work place. RAs understand this."

Growing a bond between people on their floor is just one of the added tasks an RA has.

"RAs are charged with developing a community on their floor and floors can have anywhere from 30 to 50 people," Hudson said.

Jonathan Duncan, an RA in Thomas Hall, said while being an RA is time consuming and stressful, it is a good experience.

"I encourage it because it's a

good experience to learn life skills you might not otherwise get to learn," he said. "RAs live life in a fish bowl. Everyone sees you and what you're doing and not just on campus."

Duncan said sometimes students automatically make assumptions about an RA's job.

"I'm not out to get anyone. I don't have to do my job unless you make me do it," Duncan said.

"Being an RA includes a lot of jobs people don't always see."

"RAs are active in hall counsel, staff meetings and Resident Hall Association. We have lots of paperwork, we have to do our bulletin boards and put up posters and we also have duty nights and duty weekends. We also give advice and act as a referral service if residents need help with anything."

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Jury trial date set for defendant in shooting case

By Carly Mullady
ASSOCIATE NEWS EDITOR

The jury trial date for the defendant in a Homecoming weekend shooting was set during Monday's status hearing.

Marc D. Griffin, 21, Chicago, will go to trial June 29 at 9 a.m. for his involvement in the Oct. 24 shooting into a residence at 1514 12th St.

Griffin is facing aggravated discharge of a firearm charges as well as a second count of aggravated unlawful use of a weapon, a class-4 felony, filed March 10, Circuit Court Judge Mitch Shick said.

"I would like to enter a plea of not guilty on behalf of my client," Griffin's attorney, Bernard

Shelton, Chicago, said.

Coles County Assistant State's Attorney Duane Deters requested dates be set soon so student witnesses could be subpoenaed for trial.

"They have everything that we have," Deters said.

Shelton requested time to gather evidence before trial, saying he just recently received additional discovery information from the state's attorney's office.

"I'll try to give you time to develop whatever evidence you need to develop," Shick said.

He set the trial date, with a final pre-trial hearing to be held June 23 at 1 p.m.

"I order all discoveries to be complete by June 1," Shick said.

All pre-trial motions must be

filed seven days prior to the pre-trial hearing, he said.

Shelton and Deters agreed with the stipulations and Griffin was ordered to appear.

Griffin is the remaining defendant in the case. During a Feb. 20 hearing, charges were dismissed for Crystal P. Lovemore, 19, sophomore undeclared major whose last known address is 1151 Johnson Ave.

As part of a plea agreement, Lovemore's case was dismissed in exchange for her mother, Lorna Lovemore's testimony.

Crystal Lovemore was also being charged with aggravated discharge of a firearm. She was arrested with Griffin shortly after Charleston police received the report of shots fired into a resi-

dence.

The two were found in a vehicle matching the description offered by residents of the home at Lincoln Ave. and Seventh St. near Domino's Pizza, where police found a 45-caliber Smith and Wesson, Charleston Police Detective Kevin Paddock testified at a Dec. 1 hearing.

Paddock said 45-caliber shell casings were found by the crime scene investigator outside the residence and a search on Griffin's Firearm Owner's Identification card listed him as the owner of a 45-caliber gun.

Occupants of the 12th Street residence identified Griffin and Lovemore as being in the back yard prior to the shooting.

Amral L. Johnson, junior sociol-

ogy major and Panther football player, told police he had been involved with Lovemore and during a fight just two nights before the shooting she told him she had a boyfriend with a gun.

"I can have you killed," Johnson told police Lovemore said.

During the First Annual Johnetta Jones Memorial Homecoming Step Show just hours before the shooting, Lovemore and Griffin were involved in a fight with Johnson, Lovemore, Johnson and witnesses told police.

Johnson and Kyle E. Hill, former Eastern basketball player, Bolingbrook, told police that moments before shots were fired, Griffin tapped on the window and said "Do you want to gun play?"

CITY COUNCIL

Council of Chairs more optimistic about marketing with Ruffalo Cody

Lacey Everett
STAFF WRITER

Although concerns were raised last semester, department chairs are now more optimistic about using the telemarketing firm Ruffalo Cody in the future for fundraising.

"We did raise a lot of concerns as a group (last semester)," said Gail Richard, department chair of communication disorders and sciences and member of the Council of

Chairs, "but through the department of external relations, Jill Nilsen and Steve Rich heard and addressed our concerns satisfactorily."

The Council of Chairs met in November and raised many concerns about the firm. One of those concerns was the cost.

There were concerns with Ruffalo Cody because it was very expensive, especially with the start up costs, Richard said. Ruffalo Cody is still a good option but there

will also be an opportunity to use other ways of fundraising, she said.

"As a department chair, I think it is important to supplement funds in a cost-effective way," Richard said.

"Ruffalo Cody is just one component of the money Eastern raises for our annual fund," said Steve Rich, director of alumni services.

"If we do use them in the future, it won't be at the same level as before," he said.

Eastern uses other fundraisers including direct mail, an on-campus telefund and special events to raise money, Rich said.

"What we focused on developing is a comprehensive campaign for funding," he said. "We are trying to reach new donors and Ruffalo Cody is just one piece of that campaign."

Another concern raised by the council was whether or not Ruffalo Cody would limit the university's interaction with alumni. "My facul-

ty was opposed to not having an interaction with alumni," said John Painter, department chair of family and consumer sciences. "From what I understand, we won't use them the same way they were used in the past. It will be more controlled and they will be limited in what they do. "We will be able to interact with alumni who we have already been in contact with and Ruffalo Cody will search for new donors," he said, "it seems to me like it will work very well."

Bananas:

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"We have had complaints and we ourselves have seen the inferior products," Horn said.

Tom Palazzolo, district manager for U.S. Food Service, said he met with administrators at Eastern Monday and discussed possible solutions to the banana shipment problems.

"I would say there are a lot of things that can be attributed to a banana being too brown," but the company is trying several methods to prevent damaged bananas, Palazzolo said.

"(U.S. Food Service) has invested quite a lot of money just on the blankets," which cost about \$50 each, he said. "It's so hard to keep people happy with bananas but we're trying."

Palazzolo said free samples of bananas that have been covered by the

blankets will be given to Eastern over the next four days "to prove we are trying to take these extra steps."

A checklist system will also be in place to ensure drivers and other workers are handling the bananas properly, including storage, blanket use and temperatures. "A person will be liable for that," he said.

Kathy Bence has worked as a salad cook in the dining center in Thomas Hall for three years and deals with its produce, fruits and vegetables every day. Bence said she is disappointed the bananas are no longer available and has heard students asking for them.

Bence said the bananas "would either come in too green or too ripe. They rarely came in ready to serve."

Bence said many times the bananas would need to be left in a room to become more ripe and said "out of a two week period, you would have one

day (the bananas) could go right out and be served."

Bence, who keeps track of what types of produce need to be ordered, said when the bananas were being sent, the hall would use approximately one case per day between the lunch and dinner meals.

"I've heard students asking if we're going to have them again or not," Bence said. "They've missed them."

"I used to eat the bananas," said Kristi Fisher, senior special education major. "After Christmas break they were gone completely."

Fisher, a member of Alpha Sigma Alpha, said her friends have also noticed the missing bananas.

"I heard some of the girls in the house complain about it," but said she understands that if the bananas are not up to Eastern's standards, they shouldn't be bought.

Tax:

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and Iowa both have state income tax rates of 8 percent according to Walker.

Walker said this referendum is an equality and social issue.

"Why would someone making minimum wage flipping burgers have to pay the same amount as a multimillionaire?" Walker said.

The lieutenant governor's office is also looking at the property tax rebate as a shot in the arm to the state economy every summer.

However, Walker cautioned this is only an

advisory referendum. "It is in the State Senate until May 2 when they vote on putting it in the statewide referendum," he said.

From there, the voters decide on whether or not it becomes a part of the state constitution during the November elections.

"This was purely advisory and a way to get word to the General Assembly that the people support it," Walker said. Righter said "by getting this on a county referendum was a good idea from (Quinn's) point of view. . . he doesn't really have support in the General Assembly."

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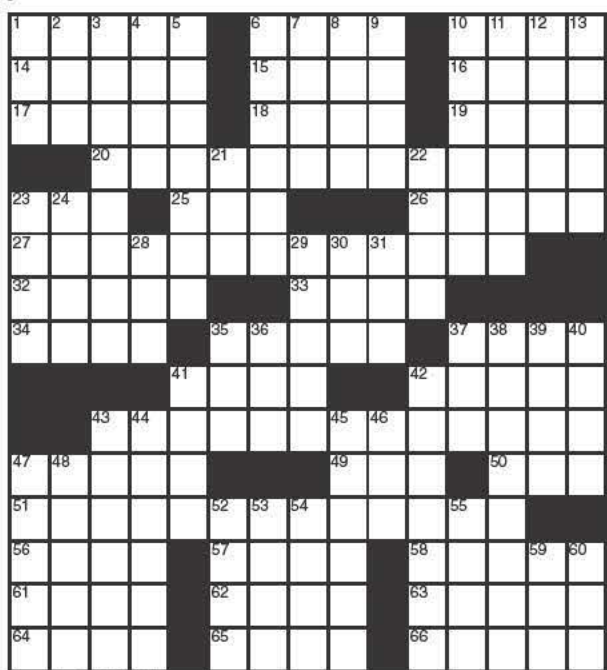
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- 54 Agenda unit
- 55 Zero, on a court
- 59 _____-Atlantic
- 60 QB's pickups

Gov. Blagojevich proposes renewing school program

SPRINGFIELD (AP) — Gov. Rod Blagojevich on Monday proposed renewing the state's popular but defunct school construction program with a new \$2.2 billion, four-year plan.

At stops at schools around the state, Blagojevich announced he wants to make \$550 million available for new school buildings and repairs in the budget year that begins July 1.

The program is part of what could be a \$10 billion infrastructure plan the Democratic governor will propose Tuesday to the General Assembly.

Speaking at a school on Chicago's South Side, Blagojevich said schools need attention even during tight budget times. State government faces a \$1.7 billion deficit in the coming budget year unless officials find ways to cut costs or raise revenues.

"I don't care how bad the economy is, or how challenging our budgets are, we will not ignore our schools and we will not ignore our children," Blagojevich said. "We will keep investing in the things that matter."

The construction money would be borrowed by selling general obliga-

tion bonds, Blagojevich spokeswoman Abby Ottenhoff said.

Before a program started in 1997 expired last year, the state doled out \$3.1 billion to 497 school districts, building 265 new schools and adding 12,000 classrooms, according to the governor's office.

The new proposal would be similar to its predecessor in that school districts will apply for grants and must match construction costs with local dollars. The state contributions range from 35 percent to 75 percent of building costs, depending on need.

ISU gets grant to combat childhood obesity

NORMAL (AP) — Illinois State University professors will begin revamping physical education classes in Illinois to try to combat childhood obesity, the university announced Monday.

Republican U.S. Rep. Tim Johnson and ISU President Al Bowman announced a \$165,000 federal grant to work with urban, suburban and rural school districts, The (Bloomington) Pantagraph reported.

Dave Thomas, the ISU professor exercise science professor who is leading the program, said school district participation is voluntary. Districts could receive money for equipment, teacher training and nutrition seminars for staff and parents.

"There's no one recipe that'll work in every district," Thomas said.

The program will aim to teach children to live healthier lives instead of teaching specific sports.

Drinking may benefit high blood pressure patients, too

CHICAGO (AP) — Drinking in moderation appears to reduce heart-related deaths in men with high blood pressure, new research suggests, challenging the belief among many doctors that alcohol should be off-limits to such patients.

In the study, men with high blood pressure who reported having about one or two drinks a day were 44 percent less likely to die of cardiovascular causes such as heart attacks than men with hypertension who rarely or never drank.

Nontraditional:

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until Rhodes reflected on the words of her late niece did she decide to study dietetics.

In January 1998, Rhodes began a three-year stint at Lincoln Land College in Springfield, before transferring to Eastern in 2002.

"Eastern has one of the top food science programs in the nation," she said.

"One thing that never fails to shock Rhodes is how bold and self-assured today's generation of college students are.

"They definitely are not as modest (as other generations)," Rhodes said. "I love these young students though.

"I can't say enough about them. They keep me young and active."

In spite of their age differences, she said she has the utmost respect for her fellow students and vice-versa.

"I treat them as an equal," she said. "I have a lot of classes where

I'm the oldest student."

Citing her 50th birthday last December as a day she'll never forget the generosity of her fellow classmates, Rhodes said when she walked into one of her classes in Klehm Hall the classroom was adorned with balloons and students showered her with 'happy birthdays' and baked cookies and brownies in honor of her special day.

Rhodes also gives high praise to Eastern as an institution that strives to serve all varieties of students.

"I think Eastern puts its best foot forward when it comes to serving both traditional and nontraditional students," she said

As an avid baker who writes cookbooks on the side to generate money for her town's recreational fund, which provides meals and gift baskets to the needy during the holidays, combined with working toward her diploma, Rhodes said her life is quite a balancing act.

"The biggest challenge is I have

to work two to three times harder than other students," she said.

On the other hand, Hancock said being pigeonholed as a nontraditional student can be daunting at times.

"I feel out of place sometimes and tend to keep my mouth shut sometimes," the Harrisburg native said. "In some classes I'm the only nontraditional student. But I feel like I have an advantage over my peers in this department because I have so much life experience."

Previously a student at Southern Illinois University at Carbondale beginning in 2000, Hancock switched majors three times. She shifted her fields of study from psychology to social work, before transferring into Eastern's family and consumer sciences program, which Hancock has been enrolled in for more than a year.

As an on-campus student, Hancock said it can be challenging to continuously muster the energy to commute to Harrisburg each weekend to see her husband, Terri.

He has been with the National Guard out of Marion for eight years after being active in the U.S. Army for 11 years.

But she cited one prime reason that motivates her to pursue her degree after years of working a string of odd jobs while raising her three children, who now are adults.

"I was tired of working for minimum wage," she said. Hancock said she did the work required of people with a Master's or Bachelor's degree but for low pay. One particularly disturbing memory of why Hancock believes she didn't enroll in college from the get-go after graduating high school still haunts her.

"In high school, a teacher told me I'd be a welfare mom," she said.

Both women exert a certain wisdom and foresight that often has many other traditional students emulating them.

"(The students) help me, I help them," Rhodes said. "They tell me

unbelievable things. I think I'm a person they can bounce things off."

Their life experiences also have prompted them to give tidbits of advice to younger students regarding the endless options they will encounter as they enter the workforce.

"Whatever career you go into, make sure you have fun with it because life is too short not to be happy in what you are doing," Rhodes said. "There is nothing, short of marital problems, worse than getting up everyday and going to a job you are dreading."

Thrill-seeking students also may want to consider the Department of Defense Dependent Schools as a source of employment, Hancock said.

"Working for them gives one the chance to see the world and has the added plus of having the support of not only the faculty, but the military chain of command, if needed, which can be a real boost," she said. "Plus, the salary is usually pretty good."

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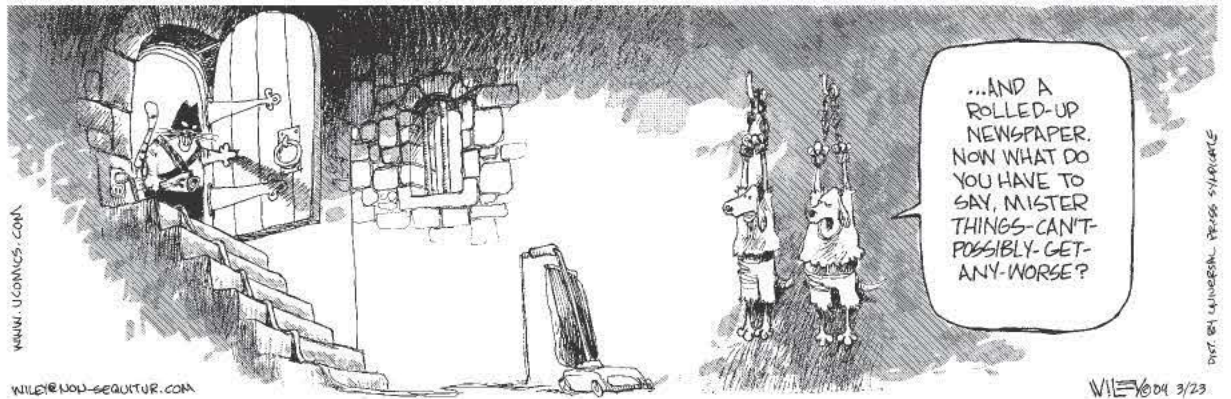
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TENNIS

Spring break yields split results

By Kurtis Allen
STAFF WRITER

While most Eastern students were wrapping up their spring breaks this past weekend, the Eastern men's and women's tennis teams were in action. Both teams managed to split victories in an exciting weekend of tennis down in Kentucky.

Both squads headed to Morehead, Ky., on Saturday to take on the Morehead State Eagles. The women came away with a 4-3 victory, while the men suffered a tough loss to by the same margin of 4-3.

◆ Friday's singles results

In singles action for the women, Becky Brunner, Madina Mambetova, Constanza Comacho, and Jill Wirtz all came away with victories, while Sarah Freeman and Amber Lenfert were defeated.

Brunner defeated Alexandra Becka 6-4, 4-6, 6-3. Mambetova beat Georgia Vanos in straight sets 6-1, 6-1. Comacho also won in straight sets beating Ariana Gracia-Medrano 6-1, 6-3. Wirtz continued the trend by defeating Heidi Mahoney 6-2, 6-0. Freeman was defeated by Verena Baernwick 6-1, 3-6, 6-2 and Lenfert was

defeated in straight sets 6-3, 6-2.

In men's singles action, C.J. Weber, Brandon Blankenbaker and Ryan Blankenbaker all picked up victories, while Charles LeVaque, Colin Priestner and Brandon Lenfert struggled and all suffered losses.

Weber rolled through Greg Johnstone 6-3, 6-2. Brandon Blankenbaker won his singles match 3-6, 6-4, 6-4, and his brother Ryan won his singles match 7-6, 7-5.

LeVaque was beaten by Jacob McLeod 6-2, 7-5. Priestner was defeated by Louis Orioux 7-6, 6-3, and Lenfert lost to Damian Storti 6-3, 6-4.

◆ Friday's doubles results

Becka and Baenwick defeated the tandem of Brunner and Freeman 9-8. Also, the team of Sheenagh Stewart and Gracia-Medrano defeated Mambetova and Comacho 8-6. Lenfert and Wirtz managed to pick up a key doubles victory over Vanos and Mahoney 8-2.

Storti and Johnstone had an upset victory of Weber and Brandon Blankenbaker 8-4. Also, the team of Daniel Arbib and Kim Kachel defeated Priestner and Lenfert 8-4,

and the team of McLeod and Orioux beat LeVaque and Ryan Blankenbaker 9-8.

After splitting victories against Morehead, both squads headed to Richmond, Ky., Sunday to take on Eastern Kentucky.

This time around it was the men picking up a 4-3 win, while the women had a tough 5-2 loss.

◆ Saturday's singles results

For the women, Brunner and Mambetova managed to pick up singles victories against Eastern Kentucky.

Brunner beat Hannah Bartsch in straight sets 6-0, 6-3, and Mambetova rolled over Terin Roof 6-3, 6-1.

The singles match losses came after Freeman was defeated by Lindsay Herrera 6-3, 3-6, 7-6. Lenfert was upended by Lucia Vojtkova 6-3, 7-5. Comacho was beaten by Tessa Williams 6-4, 6-4, and Wirtz was defeated by Janina Dickhardt 4-6, 6-3, 6-1.

Weber beat John Kellert 6-4, 6-3. Brandon Blankenbaker defeated Tom Wospil 7-5, 6-0, and LeVaque beat Mario Simic 6-1, 6-2.

Ryan Blankenbaker was defeated by Alvin Cheng 2-6, 6-2, 6-1. Lenfert was beaten by Chase Armstrong 6-4, 5-7, (10-2), and

Priestner was beaten by Chris Jaques 6-2, 6-3.

◆ Saturday's doubles results

In women's doubles action, the team of Herrera and Roof beat Brunner and Freeman 8-6. Also, Dickhardt and Hannah Bartsch beat Mambetova and Comacho 8-3, while Vojtkova and Williams defeated Lenfert and Wirtz 8-4.

The men split their singles matches with Eastern Kentucky, and picked up the doubles point.

Weber and Brandon Blankenbaker returned to their winning ways in doubles action by beating the team of Cheng and Kellert 8-2. LeVaque and Ryan Blankenbaker also picked up a doubles victory over Simic and Armstrong 8-5.

The Eastern Kentucky team of Wospil and Billy Pfaffinger did manage to defeat Priestner and Lenfert 8-5.

The men moved to 6-6 this year, while the women moved to 4-4. The women's team will be the first team back in action this Thursday as they take on the Southern Illinois Salukis at Darling Courts. Both the men's and women's team will be hosting Tennessee-Martin March 27.

Sox looking for Wright fit

TUCSON, Ariz. (AP) — Chicago White Sox manager Ozzie Guillen said he will make his decision on whether Danny Wright is his fifth starter this week.

Right now, it looks like a sure thing. Guillen just wants to see Wright get one more start before making it official.

Jason Grilli, another candidate for the role, gave up nine earned runs and 14 hits in three innings plus Sunday against Seattle and could be headed to the bullpen or maybe the minors.

Since Scott Schoeneweis is scheduled to start for the Sox on Tuesday and Jon Garland was penciled in for Wednesday, Wright's final audition could come in a "B" Game or intrasquad game.

"Wright has thrown the ball the best," Guillen said.

There's another pitcher hanging around to challenge Wright. The Sox feel that 24-year-old lefty Neal Cotts is better suited to start the season in Triple-A Charlotte, but they can't ignore what the southpaw has done this spring.

Cotts, who had a brief call-up with the big-league club last season, is 0-1 with a 1.80 ERA in two games this spring, as well as looking dominant in several "B" Games.

Guillen would like to see Cotts several more times, even if Wright is announced as the fifth starter.

"We're going to wait for Wright to throw the ball (this) week, and the way he throws the ball, that's when we'll make the decision," Guillen said.

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"I was pretty disappointed that Pete (Ziminski) didn't make it. The reason we have the schedule we do is to give these guys the credibility for national recognition."

Eastern will say goodbye to perennial contender Pat Dowty (20-10) and NCAA-qualifier Matt Veach (30-7). Each of the wrestlers fought through nagging injuries to earn a trip to St. Louis in the national championships. At the double-elimination tournament, Dowty won his first match before dropping two in a row and Veach lost his first match then won his next two

before at close defeat eliminated him.

"Seeing Pat make it to the championships a third time is great," McCausland said. "Matt Veach has equally tremendous ability and it's good to see him making it in his final year."

Looking forward to next season McCausland is expecting the tail end of his lineup to lead the Panthers. Robertson will return at 174 pounds, junior Adam Sesso who sat out at the end of season because of injury will be back to wrestle 184 pounds, junior Jim Kassner will take the mat at 197 pounds and Ziminski will be back at heavyweight.

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NCAA TOURNAMENT

Big game hunting

◆ *Illinois has chance to make Duke the third top seed to bow out early*

DURHAM, N.C. (AP) — Duke coach Mike Krzyzewski watched most of UAB's 76-75 victory over top-seeded Kentucky in the second round of the NCAA tournament on Sunday. Fellow top seed Stanford also didn't make it past the first weekend, losing to Alabama on Saturday.

Now the Blue Devils and Saint Joseph's are the only two No. 1 seeds remaining in the tourney, and Krzyzewski says no one should be surprised.

"Kentucky really was as good a team as there is in the country and could beat anybody, but they can be beaten," he said. "That's what coaches now know for the last couple years — you can get beaten."

Duke will try not to become the third top-seed to get bounced

from the tournament when it faces fifth-seeded Illinois on Friday in the Atlanta Regional semifinals. Third-seeded Texas and seventh-seeded Xavier play in the other semifinal at the Georgia Dome.

The Blue Devils are the prohibitive favorites to get to the Final Four, having won their first two games of the tournament by a total of 63 points.

"A lot of teams are gunning for us, especially with the No. 1 seed, and we have to come out there with a lot of energy, a lot of enthusiasm and keep focused and what we need to do to be successful," Duke forward Shelden Williams said.

Illinois comes into Friday's matchup with the Blue Devils on a roll, having won 14 of its last 15 games. The Big Ten's regular season champion shot 64 percent from the field in a 92-68 victory over fourth-seeded Cincinnati on Sunday to make it to Atlanta.

Battling:

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They were up 4-3 going into the ninth inning and their pitching couldn't close it out as they ended up losing 8-4.

However Warn said his team is in a better frame of mind now.

"Our fielding, ERA and offensive numbers are all improving," Warn said.

Warn said with all major categories improving a trip home is just what the Sycamores need to get on the winning trail.

"We'll be at home in a friendly atmosphere sleeping in our own beds," Warn said.

The Sycamores will throw senior right-hander Brian Woods against the Panthers.

"Woods has struggled so far and hasn't been able to control his game," Warn said. "He's one of our starting four so he's capable of winning. He was 5-4 last year. We hope he can start putting together some good outings and getting us some wins." Warn said when Indiana State plays Eastern it's usually a pretty close game in which anyone can win.

"The games are always up in the air," Warn said. "Whoever makes the fewest mistakes and whoever goes out and has a good day will probably win the game."

Warn takes the opposite approach when talk of the border war surfaces.

"You have to be careful never to play any one game differently than the next," Warn said. "That's one of the worst things you can do."

Stevens:

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I became a Northern Iowa fan no matter how it affected my bracket simply because of the support this small Missouri Valley Conference school was getting on the big stage.

The game that made me mad was the Wisconsin-Richmond first-round contest. The reason: no school deserved to be dealt that kind of hand and especially a small school trying to pull off a cinderella upset.

Even with Richmond up by double digits, the Spiders looked scared toward a crowd that looked like Soviet Union cheering section as the Badger faithful decked out in bright red.

The 11th-seeded Spiders should've walked away

with a upset win over the 2004 Big Ten Tournament Champion, but the little school from the southeast, which was up on the scoreboard, was outnumbered 18,000 to five. This led to a Badger comeback that seemed inevitable.

It was the loudest the Bradley Center has ever been and give Pittsburgh all the credit in the world for overcoming its draw as well to defeat Wisconsin.

The NCAA Tournament comes to Milwaukee about every decade and if nothing else it changes the atmosphere of the area with the amount of school spirit that attacks the beer capital of the world.

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THROWING HEAT

Matthew Stevens
SPORTS EDITOR

Madness makes sense for sports

It's amazing how March Madness can bring people together like no other event in sports.

After attending first and second round action of the NCAA Tournament at the Bradley Center, my faith in college sports has been restored.

Covering Eastern for an entire year can make the perception of college basketball a little dark and dreary, until I witnessed fan loyalty to the highest extent.

Granted I watched the selection show on CBS and found out who I paid \$140 to see, and I was initially disappointed. I was pumped about going, but the teams I was going to see play didn't grab me at all. No Illinois, not seeing DePaul and Illinois-Chicago wasn't even close to Milwaukee. Instead I got dealt schools like Northern Iowa, Richmond and then the cherry on top of the sundae hit me. I was going to be surrounded by 18,000 Wisconsin Badger fans (I don't wish that upon anybody).

When the event arrived in Milwaukee, it was a slap in the face to Wisconsin residents everywhere that this is a basketball event in a football state, which is kinda like sticking a square peg in a round hole.

However, there is a simple truth that makes collegiate athletics one of the most pure and fan-friendly environments in sports. Fans and alumni travel and if it's a big deal, they will travel a far distance to see the school they love more than life itself.

If you'd have told me that 4,000 people from around Cedar Falls, Iowa, would make the track to Milwaukee, you would've won money from me easily.

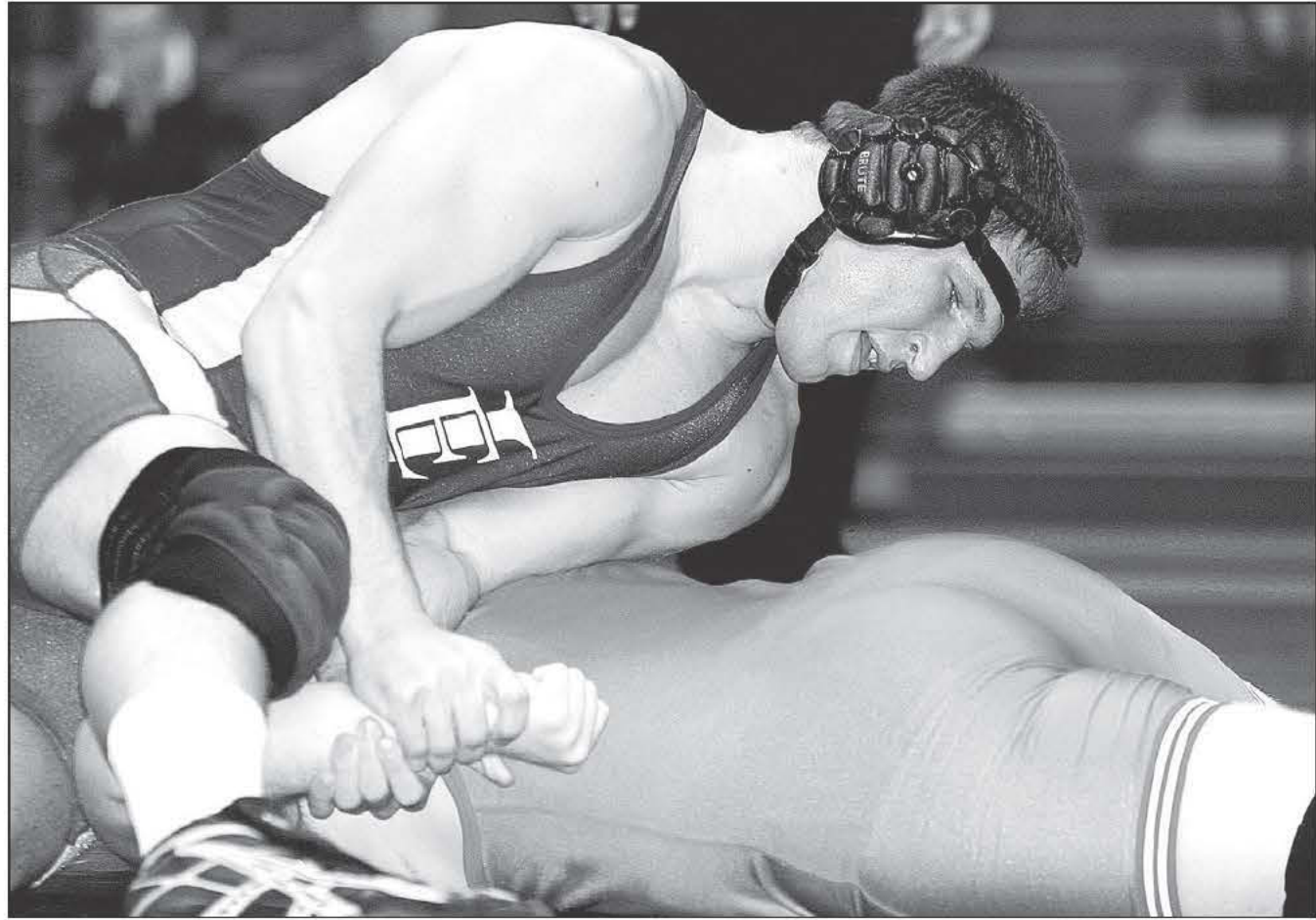
In the first afternoon game, Utah had a home type of atmosphere with the Utes former coach Rick Majerus still having family in the Milwaukee area. A three-point back and forth contest to open up the weekend made all the people in attendance stand up and pay attention to excellent basketball action.

At the conclusion of the first half and end of the Utah-Boston College game, the other unique aspect of watching an NCAA Tournament. Everyone (brackets in hand) sprints to the nearest television inside the building to watch the other games going on all across the country. There's something about 500 people all around a small television cheering for a team they've never heard of. The group was cheering for Nevada, East Tennessee State and Air Force for no other reason than to win his or her pool.

A contingent of purple and gold clad Iowa natives made a seemingly easy blowout for Georgia Tech a nail bitter and potential upset in the making. Personally, it was kinda cool because UNI has my high school colors, so I thought I was in Cooney Gymnasium only times three.

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WRESTLING



Junior Pete Ziminski grapples with Southern Illinois University - Edwardsville freshman Chris Moore in the 285 pound match Feb. 18 at Lantz Arena. He was one of the upperclassmen who were able to avoid being sidelined by injuries for most of the season.

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Pinned down by pain

Injuries allow underclassmen to gain experience

By Dan Renick
STAFF WRITER

Injuries plagued Eastern's wrestling season but this gave the team's freshmen solid experience for the future.

Although the Panthers posted a 5-10 regular season record, they have plenty to be happy about at the end of the year. With veteran starters like Pat Dowty, Matt Veach, Jim Kassner and Adam Sesso missing several regular season matches, Eastern's youngsters gained exposure to Division I-A competition.

"A lot of freshman get redshirted normally and get behind in experience," head coach Ralph McCausland said. "This year accelerated the adjustment to the level of competition."

Freshmen Kevin McNicholas, Bob Fanegrow, Adam Beeler, Andy Maniguarra and Jason Sherko all saw action in some of Eastern's biggest matches this year against Purdue, Northern Iowa and Missouri. McNicholas started at 125 pounds all year and the rest wrestled five to 10 dual matches filling in for injured wrestlers.

Their dual meet record included wins over Wabash and instate rivals Southern-Edwardsville. During the open season, the Panthers placed five or more wrestlers at the Michigan State, Central Missouri and Missouri Open tournaments. Eastern had individual champions in Pat Dowty at the NCAA West Regional and Pete Ziminski, who had a break out season, at the Northern Iowa Open.

Last year Ziminski should have turned the corner, McCausland said, but injuries ended his season early. Ziminski posted a 33-12 record this season, placed third at the NCAA West Regional and was the first alternate from that regional in the NCAA Championships.

Redshirt freshman Kenny Robertson (29-17) had the same troubles Ziminski did last year. Although his season wasn't ended by injury he did miss much of the second half of the year with knee trouble.

"I was really hoping Kenny would qualify as a freshman," McCausland said. "I think it left a bad taste in his mouth that will drive him for next season."

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BASEBALL

Battling for a win across the border

By John Hohenadel
SPORTS REPORTER

Border war rivalry talk starts up whenever Eastern plays Indiana State in any sport.

This year's baseball game between the Sycamores and the Panthers Tuesday in Terre Haute, Ind., is no different.

"The guys that have been here for four years, Kuntz and Marshall, have been telling the freshmen how big this game is," assistant coach Pat Tueth said. "This is a game we definitely need to take."

The Panthers started their season with a win and haven't been able to grab another since.

Before Spring Break, when Eastern had lost only four or five in a row, head coach Jim Schmitz said he wasn't worried about it. Now the Panther losing streak has reached 13.

"We really haven't started worrying yet," Tueth said. "There aren't really any problems. The guys are getting along and sticking

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together."

Tueth said the pitching is the biggest question mark. Through the Panthers first 11 games, their team earned run average was an alarming 10.76. Another bothersome statistic was the opponents' batting average (.354).

He said the Panthers are equipped with five or six really good arms but nobody really has a set role.

Tueth said once the pitchers find their role in the rotation Eastern will start to win games.

Another setback the Panthers have faced is the four or five fresh-

men that start from game to game. Tueth feels the first 14 games were a good tool for the freshmen to use to get rid of the kinks.

"Once the freshmen get comfortable living on the road out of a suitcase they should be able to perform better on the field," Tueth said.

The Panthers will throw senior Andy Kuntz when they travel to Terre Haute, Ind. Kuntz will only be allowed to throw a certain amount of pitches but Tueth feels he'll be able to get the team going.

"He's had some trouble so far but he'll step up a little as the

weather gets warmer," Tueth said. Tueth said there is not one aspect of the Sycamores that the Panthers will key on. He said they have a couple decent pitchers but they don't have a big power guy like Ole Miss or Arkansas State.

"We just have to go in there and take it to them," Tueth said.

Indiana State head coach Bob Warn said his team, much like Eastern, has played a good schedule coming into Tuesday's game.

"We lost some games on our trip to Millington and Mcneese in the ninth and extra innings," Warn said. "We didn't play well enough to win but we weren't far off."

Warn said his team didn't start hitting until his team traveled to Millington. That's when the bats started to come alive unfortunately sporadic pitching and a couple of fielding errors overcame the Sycamores.

One miscue cost Indiana State a game.

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