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"Tell the truth and don't be afraid."

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90th Anniversary

Eastern Illinois University, Charleston

Blair Hall is back

By CATHY BAYER
SENIOR CAMPUS REPORTER

Nearly two years after a fire destroyed Blair Hall's roof and second and third floors, construction workers are smoothing fresh cement outside the doorways. The smell of fresh paint is overwhelming in the hallways lined with empty display cases.

Classes will be relocated to Blair Hall today after eight departments have been displaced since the fire on April 28, 2004.

The main doors of Blair aren't functioning yet; a paper sign hangs that reads, "Emergency exit only."

Blue and gray Rubbermaid tubs line the empty hallways. The floors are the same beige and green tile, but there is a lot more wood incorporated to the design, said Peggy Hickox, assistant to the dean of continuing education.

Hickox has been in Blair Hall since April 6. She hopes that the main doors will be functioning soon and that the fences surrounding the building will be removed.

The design is very different, said Gary Foster, chair of the sociology and anthropology department.

"Not an inch of space is wasted," he said.

When the building was constructed in 1913, it was built for a specific purpose, Foster said. Over the years, that purpose has changed over time; there was wasted space, he said.

In the 1950s, the building



Biological sciences professor Gary Bella stands in the storage-bin-laden second floor of Blair Hall, reading the Bachelor in General Studies degree program directory Tuesday afternoon.

ERIC HILTNER/THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

underwent renovations. Those renovations weren't satisfactory in the '90s, he said. Now the building's space is better utilized for its current use with all the departments and classes, he said.

Before the building was designed, Eastern's Facilities

Planning and Management department held meetings with all the displaced units to discuss, in length, what each department needed, Foster said.

The sociology/anthropology department needed a computer lab with at least 15 computers, com-

pared with the old lab that had only six computers. Other requests included an additional faculty office.

"They delivered," he said.

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CITY COUNCIL

Water price hike passed

By ERIN MILLER
SENIOR REPORTER

Off-campus students should expect a 5.5 percent increase on their water bill, which will average about \$4 more per bill.

The Charleston City Council voted Tuesday night to approve the increase, which will help fund a required upgrade for the water treatment plant.

Raising the rates will help ensure that residents will continue to get good, clean, fresh and flavorless water, Mayor John Inyart said.

The city council also approved to add a \$25 service fee for all customers who need to have their water turned on.

The service fee will go toward a final meter reading before water service is turned off and the service to turn water back on.

Any time a meter is turned off a city employee needs to read the meter and turn the water back on when service is connected, City

SEE WATER PAGE 6

Brittany Ridge stabbing suspect due in court

By DAVID THILL
SENIOR CITY REPORTER

A status hearing will be held today at 3 p.m. for Patrick Jackson, the man accused of breaking in to an Eastern student's apartment at Brittany Ridge on Sept. 14, 2005.

A status hearing is a hearing held in order to keep track of the status (location, etc.) of all parties involved in the case.

According to the Charleston Police Department affidavit of events, the student woke to find a strange man in bed with her. The student reported the man as having a knife in his possession and stabbing/slashing her in several places. Upon discovery by the student's roommate, the man fled from the scene.

The student later identified Jackson out of a police line-up of

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suspects. Jackson, who was serving in the Army National Guard, was due to return to Iraq on Sept. 23, 2005.

However, because of ongoing litigation Jackson was not to return to Iraq nor leave Coles County.

Jackson was later allowed to return to Lovington where he lived with his parents after being let out on \$10,000 bail reduced from the original \$100,000, as reported in *The Daily Eastern News* on Nov. 29, 2005.

Windows XP, 2k no more

Faculty says change to systems will squeeze out older computers.

By KYLE MAYHUGH
EDITOR IN CHIEF

Faculty members who still use computers with Microsoft Windows 2000 or XP may be cut off the network by the end of the next school year, according to discussion at the Faculty Senate meeting on Tuesday.

Senate member Bud Fischer expressed his concern over the word he had gotten from Eastern's technical offices, saying upgrades might be too expensive for departments to handle.

"We're kind of in limbo here," Fischer said. "A lot of faculty are working on old computers (that

FACULTY RETIRING DURING THE 2006 SCHOOL YEAR:

Peter Voelz	Journalism
William Allen	School of Business
Richard Barta	Music
Susan Bazargan	English
Edward Brazil	Political Science
Mark Christhill	English
Michael Church	Physical Education
Kipp Kruse	Biology
Roger Luft	School of Technology
Edward Marlow	School of Business
William Smith	Recreation Administration
Lynda Kayser	Counseling and Student Development

cannot support newer versions of Windows.)"

Blair Lord, provost and vice president for academic affairs, said when the idea was brought up, it was assumed only a few faculty would be effected. However, it turned out "hundreds" would be, he said.

This did not change the fact that the change has to be made, Lord said.

"The reality is that Microsoft is

terminating support for Windows 2000," he said.

"This goes back to our budgeting issues at this university, and I think that's a good discussion to have (at the next senate meeting)," Fischer said.

Also at the meeting, the senate elected its executive board for the next school year. All three of this year's executives were reelected. Assege HaileMariam will continue as chair, Jeff Ashley will stay at vice chair and John Stimac will do another term at recorder.

The meeting adjourned early so members could attend the faculty retirement reception, where faculty retiring in the 2006 school year were honored.

The Faculty Senate meets alternate Tuesdays during the school year.

The next meeting will be the summer meeting, the date of which has yet to be determined.

LEMONADE STANDS

RAISE MONEY FOR CANCER

Carman Hall will sponsor a charitable drive that was created by a 4-year-old patient

By TAYLOR FRAWLEY
STAFF REPORTER

In 2000, Alexandra "Alex" Scott was a 4-year-old cancer patient when she decided to start a lemonade stand to raise money to help her doctors cure kids with cancer.

In July 2000, with the help of her older brother Patrick, Alex set up the very first "Alex's Lemonade Stand for pediatric cancer" in her front lawn.

Carman Hall is sponsoring a series of charitable lemonade stands located all over campus in order to raise money for pediatric cancer research, cures and treatment.

The stands will be open from 10 a.m. until 5:30 p.m., and the cost of a cup of lemonade is 50 cents.

Jen Dunavan, the student representative in charge of the lemonade stands and Resident Assistant at Carman Hall, explained why her hall chose to set up this particular charity for the second year in a row.

"I saw the story of Alex's Lemonade Stand on TV a couple of years ago, and I thought it would be a good idea to bring that to Eastern's

campus," she said.

When Dunavan became an RA, it gave her the "resources and manpower" to get the ball rolling on bringing Alex's Lemonade Stand to Eastern. According to Dunavan, last year's lemonade stands brought in more than \$500 of charitable donations.

Alex continued to hold annual lemonade stands over the next four years, with all the money going to pediatric cancer research.

On August 4, 2004, Alex lost her seven and a half-year battle to cancer and died at the age of 8.

Since then, Alex's willful determination has inspired thousands of children, schools, businesses, and organizations to set up lemonade stands across the country to benefit Alex's foundation.

To date, Alex's foundation has

Lemonade Stand Locations

- u Alumni Quad
- u South Quad
- u North Quad
- u Lincoln/Douglas Halls

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C A M -

A quick take on news, scheduled

June conference planned for adults

The School of Continuing Education will sponsor a conference for adult and commuter students this summer.

The conference, held on June 2 and 3, allows students to "get in touch with Eastern Illinois University again," said Felix Brunkorst, a graduate assistant with the School of Continuing Education and planner of the conference.

Sessions will be taught by the staff of the Bachelor in General Studies department and the School of Continuing Education.

This is the second year for the conference, and Brunkorst expects 50 to 100 people to attend.

In addition to the \$10 registration fee, attendees can pay standard tuition and course fees and receive one semester hours' credit for the conference.

Panther Service Day volunteers needed for Saturday service event

The Student Government Association is looking for more volunteers for Panther Service day this weekend.

The event is April 22, and student volunteers will do service projects around the community.

Volunteers will receive a free T-shirt and pizza. They can sign up by contacting Ryan Berger at 581-5522 or they can go online at <http://www.eiu.edu/~psd/>.

Counseling Center program presents truth about marijuana's history

The Counseling Center will present "Up in Smoke - The Truth About Marijuana" at 7:30 p.m. today.

The event will present facts about marijuana and its effects, and explore the history of marijuana and its outlaw status in

TODAY'S EVENTS

Beyond Words

Students can see displays on the effects of discrimination.

All Day | Grand Ballroom in the Martin Luther King Jr. University

Textbook Rental Service Sidewalk Sale

The Textbook Rental Service will be selling used textbooks this week.

All Day | Outside Textbook Rental

Study Abroad Information Session

Informational session for students interested in studying outside the country.

3:30 p.m. | 1207 Blair Hall

Alex's Lemonade Stand

A fundraiser for juvenile cancer with stands around campus.

All Day | various locations

25 years ago - Eastern baseball defeated Southern Illinois University Edwardsville 8-2 and 8-7 in a doubleheader sweep.

10 years ago - Eastern's curriculum committee recommends students avoid professor Doug DiBianco's non-western music course.

Five years ago - Hugh O'Hara of the Students First party wins the student body presidency by 100 votes.



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Ashlei Birch, Chad Quinones and Terrah Graves search through ballot boxes, looking for a duplicate voter, after the closing of the Student Senate election four polling stations Tuesday evening. Results of the elections will be announced Wednesday evening during the Student Senate meeting

Votes in, still to be count -

By NORA MABERRY
ONLINE EDITOR

The Student Government members running for office Tuesday were unsure about the laws governing the elections.

"The United University party chalked the sidewalks," said Student Senate Speaker Sean Anderson, who is running for student body president under the rival Student United Party. "The first rule in the election handbook says we can't campaign on walkways or campus property."

Andrew Berger, student executive vice president, argued that Anderson would not know the election rules because he did not attend the candidates' meeting.

"The only reason that SUP had any members there is because United University party members sought them out," Berger said.

Senate member Kenny Kozik, who is running for vice president of business affairs, pointed out that Eastern has no policy on sidewalk chalk.

"Stickers on poles, defacing University property is a problem," Kozik said. "There is no university policy about sidewalk chalk."

Cole Rogers was the only SUP member that attended the candidate meeting.

"It's fair game, it's free speech," said Berger.

The Student United Party passed out stickers, which ended up on campus property, which is against university regulations.

"They are passing out stickers," said Berger. "They end up on university property, and that's a problem."

Candidates claimed they weren't aware of the rules prohibiting sidewalk chalk and stickers, and that they couldn't be held accountable for bylaws they weren't aware of.

"Some are abiding by the old bylaws and some are abiding by the new ones," said Student Body President Ryan Berger.

Jillian Ruddy, student vice president for business affairs, who is running for Student Body President, said that student government candidates were supposed to be using the new bylaws.

"We're supposed to use the new ones passed last semester," Ruddy said. "They were voted on last semester and are supposed to go into effect this semester."

As for the sidewalk chalk issue, Berger did agree with Kozik that the university does not have a policy on sidewalk chalk.

"The university has no policy on sidewalk chalk, so it makes that part of the elections committee rules unenforceable anyway," Berger said.

"What we did was legal," Ruddy said.

Chad Quinones, the graduate assistant who is in charge of student government elections, said that sidewalk chalk is against election commission bylaws.

As for the stickers that SUP passed out there was no way to know who put it on university property. "It could have been someone who was given a sticker and put it on a pole," he said.

Quinones said that the election committee was unsure how the infractions would be handled. "I'm not sure if anything will happen since both sides did something wrong," Quinones

RSO funding likely to

By JIM ALLOCCO
EDUCATION REPORTER

Many Student Government campaigns have focused on funding Recognized Student Organizations on campus. But none have clearly stated how they will raise the funding.

If RSOs are going to get funds, the tuition will more than likely need to be increased to pay for it, said President Lou Hencken.

"Already students' tuitions and fees are going through the roof," he said. "I raise the question: Do the students want to see their fees go up to cover the cost of RSO funding? If not, where is the money going to

come from?"

Presidential candidate Sean Anderson said he wants to take funds that are being wasted and put them into eligible RSOs.

"(We need to) give more money to the organizations that are putting on events for the whole campus," Anderson said.

Money spent on the Big Red Dot Campaign could be put toward RSOs, he said.

"(The campaign was a) waste of \$500 of students' money to publicize ourselves. Five hundred dollars could have went to an event or something."

Presidential candidate Jillian Ruddy said it would be difficult to

fund RSOs on campus, because there are so many and some do not actually help organize events for the entire campus.

She said that it would be better to increase funding for special events.

"Not all organizations would be eligible for funding," said Dan Nadler, vice president for student affairs. Any RSO that discriminates against student membership would be ineligible.

He also agreed that an increase in tuition and fees would probably be necessary to fund RSOs.

"We work really hard to try to keep fees as low as we can," he said. "Students ... would have to look very, very closely at what the cost

Pepsi contract years away from

By JIM ALLOCCO
EDUCATION REPORTER

One key issue of presidential candidate Sean Anderson's platform was to look into a new contract for soft drink companies on campus.

Anderson said he was under the assumption that the contract would terminate in a year and a half, but according to university administrators, the current 10-year contract with Pepsi does not terminate for

three years.

"We will not actually start to do any work (looking into other contracts) until the year before it expires," said President Lou Hencken.

Anderson proposed to look competitively at different contracts from Pepsi and Coke and raised the possibility of bringing both onto campus when the contract expires. But university administrators assured that contracts are always given to highest bidder.

"We have to live up to our agreement (with Pepsi)," said Mark Hudson, director of housing and dining services. "But when this contract expires we have to ask what is to the university's advantage."

Presidential candidate Jillian Ruddy said that a duel contract between Pepsi and Coke will probably cost more for the university.

"It's pretty unlikely that it would ever happen," she said.

Dan Nadler, vice president for student affairs, also said a duel contract

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EDITORIAL

Lazy legisla- tors

Failure to complete a budget is a failure to the voters of Illinois.

The Illinois General Assembly blew past its originally scheduled adjournment date of April 7 by extending budget negotiations well into last week.

Gov. Rod Blagojevich did not arrive in Springfield until a few days before dismissal. The date was moved back to April 12.

It was Blagojevich's first appearance in Springfield since he made his State of the State address and proposed his budget originally in late February.

How can the Assembly work on having the governor's budget approved on time, if he's not even in Springfield?

It's now April 19, and Illinois citizens will not have an approved budget until, at best, early May.

The Assembly decided to take an Easter break.

While the House will be in session today, and then again next Tuesday and Wednesday, the Senate is out of session for the next two weeks until May 2.

Each day the Assembly runs behind schedule it's costing taxpayer dollars.

But the difficult decision this year with the budget is the governor's proposed \$1 billion in increased in spending.

Included in this are increases for higher education.

Higher education is slated to get a 1.4 percent increase, an estimated \$18.3 million, for the fiscal year 2007.

To fund this increase, the governor will sell the student loan debt for between \$3 billion and \$4 billion.

With the extra money, he also wants to fund his College Tuition Tax Credit proposal.

This program would give a \$1,000 tax credit to college students or their parents, provided the student has a 'B' average and is an underclassman undergraduate.

Nine public university presidents, including Eastern President Lou Hencken, sent a letter to the governor on Feb. 14 expressing their support for the sale of the student loan debt and the tax credit proposal.

Earlier this month, Eastern's Student Senate mailed a letter to the governor expressing its displeasure with the sale.

The increase is the first time during the governor's time in office that he has proposed a higher education increase. It is an obvious elec-

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

EDITORIAL CARTOON BY DAVID PENNELL



COMMENTARY

Religion is more than a

Church and Easter.

Religion and chocolate.

A time for worship, a time to reflect and give thanks. Also a time to relax and not worry about all the problems that are occurring in our world or in one's own life.

There is more to Easter this holiday than just hunting for eggs and biting into a chocolate bunny.

As I sat in the pew at my church last Easter Sunday, I looked around the sanctuary and realized that I did not know half the people there.

James Davidson, a sociologist at Purdue University and author of *Church in Catholic Society*, said that overall church attendance increases 25 percent during Easter. For Catholics, that number goes up to 33 percent, while Protestants have a 20 percent increase.

At my Presbyterian church, whole pews were lined up with unfamiliar faces. After our



SPORTS EDITOR

"While this generally leads to packed congregations, it is crap and a bunch of other vulgar words that the

service, people tend to linger downstairs in our Fellowship Hall and converse with one another. All the regular faces were down there afterwards, but none of the unknown faces I had seen 10 minutes earlier.

Are people scared to go to church these days?

Christmas Eve, Easter and Palm Sunday services stand out

as days when people put on their Sunday best and head out the door to church.

They sit in the pews, pretend to listen to the pastor's sermon or the priest's homily and exit the building as quickly as possible once the service is over.

The nickname that comes to mind with these people are 'C and E Christians' - the people that only show up to church services on Christmas Eve and Easter.

While this generally leads to packed congregations, it is crap and a bunch of other vulgar words that the Holy Father wouldn't appreciate.

Why people don't go to church on days other than holidays is shocking and disturbing.

One thinks that they are in God's grace by politely sitting through an hour or two of wor-

Daniels, a senior journalism major, can be reached at

YOUR TURN: LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

NEGATIVE IMPACT OF ILLEGAL IMMIGRANTS ON U.S. ECONOMY

The following is a response to the April 13th Letters to the Editor by Brandon Dohman.

First, I will address the statement that the American economy is not harmed by illegals. Nothing could be further from the truth.

From the time an illegal crosses the border into the United States, he or she is a drain

on the financial resources of our nation in a number of ways.

For one, taxpayers are funding the education of millions of illegal children through our public schools. Then there is the issue of healthcare costs. Who do you think is picking up the tab for that one?

The American taxpayers, of course.

I recognize that the 11 to 12 million illegals in the United States are a gigantic source of cheap labor.

However, I think that anyone willing to make the statement

that this cheap labor strengthens our economy is failing to see the big picture.

The fact is that many illegals send a portion of their earnings back to family and friends in the countries they emigrated from.

A dollar generated in the United States and spent abroad is one less spent in the United States, lowering GDP. And anyone willing to make the statement that this cheap labor pool is simply filling low-paying jobs that require no skill needs a lesson on supply and demand.

Many Americans don't want a

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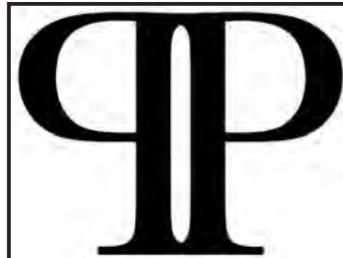


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Illinois news at a glance.

Corruption hunt still in full swing after Ryan's conviction

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CHICAGO — Federal prosecutors are pushing ahead with investigations of political patronage and payoffs at City Hall and in state government, saying the racketeering conviction of former Gov. George Ryan doesn't close the book on their war against corruption in Illinois.

"As long as they keep stealing, we'll keep chasing them," said U.S. Attorney Patrick J. Fitzgerald — the same federal prosecutor heading Washington's CIA leak investigation — after Ryan was convicted Monday of all 18 counts, ranging from racketeering conspiracy to tax fraud.

Just three weeks away is the trial date for Chicago Mayor Richard M. Daley's former patronage chief, Robert Sorich, and three other former officials on charges of using fraud to get around a court order barring political patronage as a basis for filling city payroll jobs.

Prosecutors have obtained indictments charging corruption on one board that decides which Illinois hospitals get financing for expansion plans and another that determines where the giant pension plan for school teachers outside Chicago invests its money.

With the battle against the state's endemic graft now at white heat, Robert D. Grant, the special agent in charge of the FBI's Chicago office, has sent for reinforcements. The state is getting a third FBI squad devoted exclusively to fighting the corruption war.

BLAIR:

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Blair Hall reopens for classes

Foster did not immediately realize that there are seniors who will graduate in May in the sociology department who have never had a course in Blair.

If students were undeclared majors at the time of the fire and had not had any sociology classes, they have missed out on taking classes in Blair, he said.

He called Blair Hall the "campus home of sociology."

Students have been forced to be nomadic, Foster said, and graduating students will only have that "home" experience for two weeks.

Foster said he does realize that some students and teachers might be inconvenienced by the move. But there is a connection to the department that some students would not have had otherwise, he said.

Not all programs are moving today, however.

The Gateway Program will not be moving into Blair Hall until May 8, said Pam Warpenburg, office systems assistant. Gateway is an alternative admissions program designed to provide access to underrepresented, disadvantaged students. Because students meet on a daily basis, their move is being postponed until May, Warpenburg said.

"We didn't want to do that to the students," she said.

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RSO Funding: Yay or Nay?



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"I think on the one hand that I'm being forced to pay for something like that, but on the other hand, there is a need for money to go to these kinds of organizations."

"I guess it would be a good thing. If it's involving the student body of Eastern and good things that they do then I support it."

"If it increases tuition then that affects people that aren't even involved in that group. So, I am against it."

"If the school is willing to support an organization, then there is a lot of responsibility that an RSO brings upon themselves."

She knows a lot of teachers are not happy about the move so close to the end of the year, she said.

Eastern President Lou Hencken said the reason for the early move is to iron out any problems that may arise with moving into the new facility. If there are problems, they can be solved over the summer.

Hickox just hopes students are excited to see what the building is like after all this time.

Although she doesn't have much contact with on-campus students, it is going to be a lot noisier today, she said.

Ashley Rueff contributed to this report.

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NATIO

News briefs from across the

Kennedy to grace 'The Daily Show'

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON — Sen. Edward M. Kennedy is slated to take a seat Thursday on "The Daily Show with Jon Stewart," the parody news show on Comedy Central at 10 p.m.

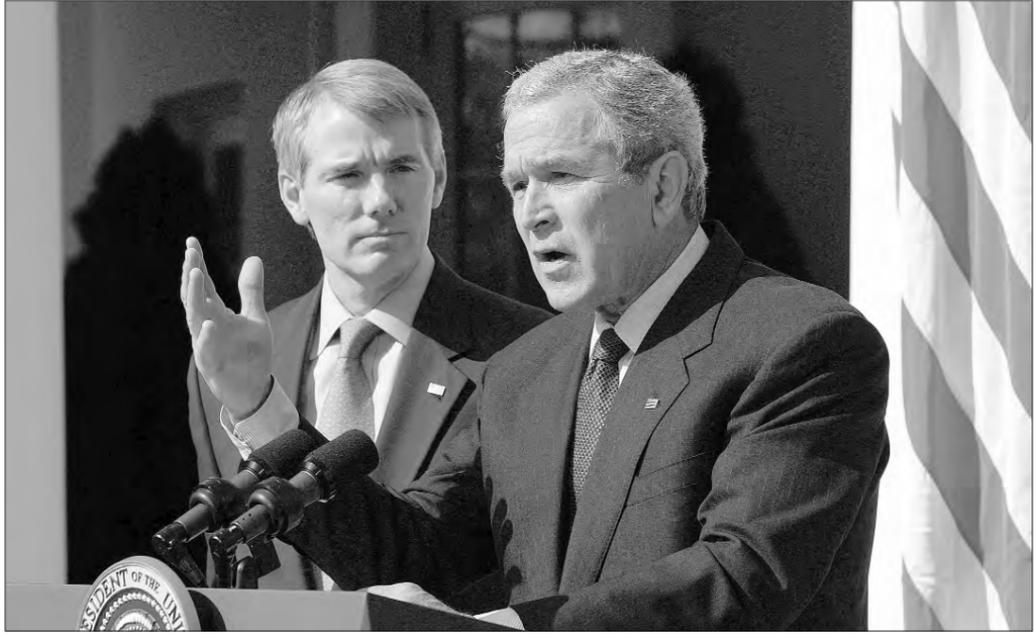
The Massachusetts Democrat, 74, has been making the interview rounds in recent weeks touting his new book, "America Back on Track," which mixes personal recollections of his famous family with his agenda for reviving the nation.

Kennedy joins a long list of marquee Chinese president, Bill Gates in person by Stewart's biting satire.

SEATTLE — Chinese President Hu Jintao arrived in the Seattle area Tuesday to meet with Microsoft Chairman Bill Gates and other business leaders on Wednesday.

China is Washington's third-largest export market, while Washington imported more than \$16 million worth of products from China in 2005.

The visit comes as Redmond-based Microsoft, after years of battling wide-



CHUCK KENNEDY/KRT

President George W. Bush introduces U.S. Trade Representative Rob Portman as his nominee for Director of the Office of Management and Budget in the Rose Garden of

Bush appoints new Cabinet mem-

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON — Anxious Republicans are calling for a White House shake-up, and President Bush promises that changes are coming.

In fact, the president said Tuesday, his new chief of staff, Joshua Bolten, is drawing up recommendations about "who should be here and who should not be here."

"I hear the voices and I read the front page, and I know the speculation," the president said testily. "But I'm the decider and I decide what's best. And what's best is for Don Rumsfeld to remain as the secretary of defense."

Bush, in a Rose Garden ceremo-

ny, announced he was filling two jobs in his Cabinet.

Bush chose Rob Portman, a former six-term Republican congressman from Ohio who now serves as U.S. trade representative, to head the Office of Management and Budget, putting him at the heart of White House decision-making.

Hailed by Democrats and Republicans alike, Portman's nomination may help calm GOP anxieties about administration missteps. Portman is a close friend of Bush's and has a reputation as a skilled communicator about the economy, which will be a central theme for the November congressional elections.

The president also tapped Portman's deputy, Susan Schwab, to move up and replace her boss as the administration's top trade negotiator with other nations.

Tuesday's changes were set in motion by the promotion of Bolten as Bush's chief of staff from his old job as budget director. Bush said Bolten has a mandate to shake things up.

With the Iraq war overshadowing his administration, his agenda stalled and his poll numbers at record lows, Bush faces calls from Republicans for fresh thinking and new energy. So far, his new choices have been confined to a small circle of Washington insiders. As trade representative,



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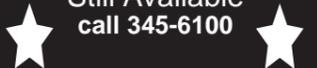
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SOFTBALL GAME TWO

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North,r	3	1	1	0	Pickering,c	2	0	0	0
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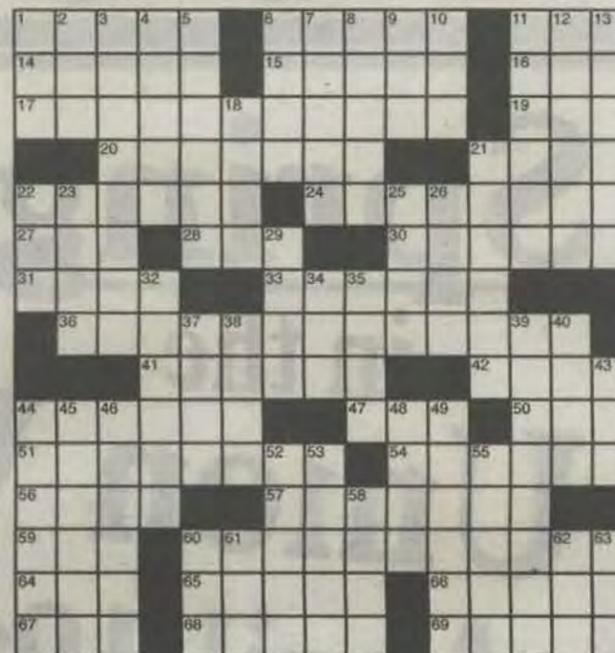


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- ACROSS**
- 1 1983 Mr. T flick
- 6 Greeted the day
- 11 Bro or sis
- 14 Sitcom character who got married on 10/28/74
- 15 Cut
- 16 Fleischer with the 2005 memoir "Taking Heat"
- 17 "Swell" 50's footwear
- 19 Small matter: Abbr.
- 20 Never-dying
- 21 Taboo
- 22 Class distinctions?
- 24 "Keen" 50's apparel
- 27 Clark's co-star in "Mogambo"
- 28 R.R. stop
- 30 Cardin rival
- 31 Combo sessions
- 33 Cousin of a vandyke
- 36 "Nifty" 50's threads
- 41 Tossed salad ingredient
- 42 Deceive but good
- 44 Security check-point item
- 47 One on whom subtlety is lost
- 50 Sevres summer
- 51 "Cool" 50's hair-style
- 54 "That's O.K."
- 56 1961 space chimp
- 57 Final part of a journey
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- 1 Laura and Phil, for two
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- 3 Operation Desert Fox, e.g.
- 4 Supplement
- 5 Haymaking machines
- 6 Part of Nasdaq: Abbr.
- 7 Exercise may be part of it
- 8 Convex molding
- 9 "Savvy?"
- 10 Med. drama sites
- 11 Indian turnover
- 12 Many-a decal
- 13 City hit by hurricane Katrina
- 18 Once, long ago
- 59 Bird watcher, maybe
- 60 "Neato" 50's fashion
- 64 Mugful
- 65 It takes your breath away
- 66 Leaked out
- 67 Things sometimes found in towers
- 68 Bare minimum
- 69 Athletic events



Puzzle by Sherry O. Blackard

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- 21 "Miracle" team of '69
- 22 Leon Uris novel, with "The"
- 23 Like some lock-ets
- 25 Diminish
- 26 La ___ Tar Pits
- 29 Prefix with cultural
- 32 Doesn't keep to the straight and narrow
- 34 Org. in old spy stories
- 35 "Horton Hears"
- 37 Lip-puckering
- 38 Old Icelandic literary work
- 39 Pep up
- 40 ___-Rooter
- 43 Place to site-see?
- 44 Syrup of ___
- 45 Duck whose birthday is March 13
- 46 Big bills
- 48 Penny ___
- 49 Prison in a Johnny Cash song
- 52 Actress Massey of "International Lady"
- 53 Puts on cargo
- 55 Tea kind
- 58 Bed board
- 60 Amigo
- 61 "Morn did ___ / Its pale eyes then ...": Shelley
- 62 Part of A.A.R.P.: Abbr.
- 63 QB's goals

SOFTBALL

Eastern swept by Southeast Missouri

Panthers' defense, intensity fails

BY MATT DANIELS
SPORTS EDITOR

Southeast Missouri head coach Lana Richmond said Monday that her team needed to find its offensive rhythm again.

The Redhawks (27-12, 14-3 OVC) did just that, scoring 21 runs in Tuesday's doubleheader against Eastern in Cape Girardeau, Mo., sweeping the Panthers.

Coupled with nine errors committed by Eastern on the day, SEMO had no trouble brushing aside Eastern.

The Redhawks won game one 11-1 in five innings and beat the Panthers 10-5 in the second game.

Eastern head coach Kim Schuette said she does not think her team should have been charged with nine errors, as some of the errors were just hard hit balls by SEMO.

"I would very much disagree with the six errors (in game two)," she said. "(SEMO) just hit the ball really hard."

The nine errors led to Panther pitchers being only charged with allowing 13 earned runs in the two games.

Schuette said freshman ace



Eastern head coach Kim Schuette speaks with the team before practice at Williams Field Monday afternoon. The Panthers are hosting Tennessee Tech in a three-game series this weekend.

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Kathleen Jacoby did not have her best stuff in the first game.

"It wasn't her best game," she said. "She had some control problems. But the walks and errors, coupled with their hits got us in trouble."

Eastern committed three of its six errors in the first inning of the second game, allowing four SEMO runs.

The Panthers closed the gap in the second game, trailing 7-5 heading into the bottom of the fifth before SEMO responded with three runs to extend its lead

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to 10-5.

Schuette said she was happy with the team's effort in the second game, as the Panthers came back from a 7-2 deficit.

"We fought for maybe four or five innings," Schuette said. "It was the first time we fought in a game in about two weeks."

Schuette said after the game

that she finally saw emotion in her team for the first time in a while.

"If we don't have intensity, we're not going to be in the game," Eastern's head coach said.

Schuette is hoping the intensity returns, with only 10 Ohio Valley Conference games left.

"They need to decide if they want to earn respect from everyone in the conference or cruise into seventh or eighth like everyone in the conference thought they would," she said.

"Otherwise, it might be a rough ending to the season."

DUSTIN':

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Sloat credits Eastern coach for improvement

Sloat credits Moncel with more than just the improvement he has seen in his short game during the past few seasons.

As a freshman under head coach Paul Lueken, Sloat was playing poorly and was ready to quit golf.

However, during Sloat's sophomore year, Moncel was hired at Eastern.

"After (Moncel) came back, he made me want to play again," Sloat said. "We have great conversations on road trips, he gives out advice on the game and life."

Women's golfer Amy Simons said Sloat is a good role model for the team.

"He's always at practice early and is one of the last people to leave."

Assistant coach Craig Toler agrees, saying Sloat is always at the Charleston Country Club getting extra work in.

"He gets out there alone a lot," he said. After he graduates, Sloat is about to realize a dream that few athletes ever get the chance to in going pro.

"It's fun, and it's something I've worked hard at for a long time," Sloat said.

Moncel is happy for his athlete and is excited to see what he will do once he is able to focus solely on golf.

"You don't know how good you can be until you can really practice every day," he said.

Sloat off the Course

What's in your CD Player?

"I listen to a little bit of everything" currently Rascal Flatts and hip hop

Do you have a nickname?

"Big Boy (Matt Kockler) calls me Double D."

What's the way to your heart?

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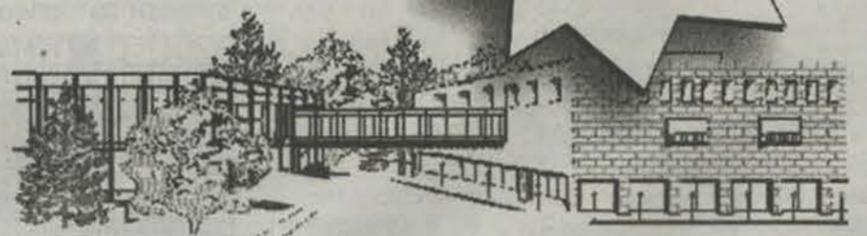
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Panthers near end of spring practice

Mike Donato, Cole Stinson, Kyle Kniss and Bodie Reeder took snaps with the first string offense early on in practice. Donato received a majority of the repetitions.

The offensive line starters seem to be set in place as senior Steve Sobolewski will move from guard to center to take over for graduating all-conference lineman Pascal Matla. Taking over for Sobolewski's guard spot is Ryan Spears. The 6-foot-4, 310-pound Western Illinois transfer is the only new member on the offensive line.

Tyler Wilke and Zac Yates are competing for the punter spot left by graduating Tom Schofield. Wilke got most of the punting reps Monday and the Panthers look to continue using the rugby style kick. Yates made 9 consecutive field goals into the wind. The sophomore's longest kick was slightly over 30 yards.

Eastern Injury Report

Starting tailback Vincent Webb, safety Tristan Burge and wide receiver Terrance Williams all suited up but did not drill. All three are recovering from various offseason injuries. The trio worked out with head trainer Mark Bonnester throughout practice. Webb is recovering from his ankle surgery from Jan. 24. Wide receiver Adam Kesler participated in workouts for the first time in several days but receiver/returner Charles Owens was held out of team drills.

Defensive end Pierre Walters and cornerback Ben Brown stretched with the team but was held out of practice due to recovering injuries.

Tailback/Fullback Norris Smith was out of practice due to an injury to his right knee. Which was wrapped with ice while he watched practice.

Notebook compiled by Matthew Stevens, sports reporter.

WOIKE:

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Offseason competition makes Eastern better

Stinson has moved ahead of Kniss and the others into the Panthers' No. 2 quarterback slot.

Eastern head coach Bob Spoo said he gives the Panthers a more traditional quarterback at 6-feet-5 inches and 240 pounds. His lack of mobility is made up for with arm strength. He's a passer.

And, he's one facet the Eastern offense didn't have last year.

But, Donato has overcome the odds before — see 9-3 season in 2005 when he had virtually zero experience as a college football player.

While Donato spends his time taking snaps with the Panther first-team offense this summer, he'll have plenty of other eager arms waiting for their chance.

Maybe the Panthers decide Stinson gives the Panther offense what it's needed, or maybe Donato outlasts the others in the competition for the starting spot.

If Donato does, I promise he'll be a better quarterback because of it.

No matter who takes the snaps for the Panthers next season, one thing is certain.

The team's committed itself to being better.

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FRIDAY	TRACK AND FIELD AT KANSAS RELAYS (THROUGH SATURDAY)	ALL DAY
SATURDAY	SOFTBALL VS. TENNESSEE TECH	NOON
	BASEBALL AT SAMFORD	1 p.m.
SUNDAY	Men's GOLF AT OVC CHAMPIONSHIPS	ALL DAY

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TOP CAT

DUSTIN' OFF THE COMPETITION

BY KATIE ANDERSON
STAFF REPORTER

Senior Dustin Sloat is about to do something that only one other Eastern golfer and few other Eastern athletes do.

After he graduates and at the end of this summer, Sloat is going pro.

Last summer, he qualified for the United States Amateur Open, the largest amateur tournament in the country.

Sloat recognizes that many men try to make it as professionals and meet little success.

"There's guys who try until they are 40, 45, and they don't make it until then," he said. "If I can make a cut a week for a few years, I can make a living at it."

This summer, his aim is to qualify again, play in a few more amateur tournaments and then give it a go as a professional.

Last week, Sloat was named the Ohio Valley Conference male golf athlete of the week. On April 10, he finished in first place at the Bullock Collegiate Classic in Dayton, Ohio.

He was in the lead each day of the competition, shooting 70, 72 and 76 for the 54 holes totaling two shots over par with a score of 218 for the tournament.

With his recent success and a trip to the U.S. Amateur Open last summer, Sloat has his sight set on going pro after the summer.

Sloat said Eastern head coach Mike Moncel always tells him what sets apart the good players in college is their attitude going into competition.

So Sloat goes in thinking he's going to win.

"You just have to have that mindset," he said. "I know that I can play well and that I should be able to win. I've come close, and then at this last tournament it happened," he said.

Moncel and Sloat go back almost as far as Sloat and golf do.

Cindy Keefer, Sloat's mother, said her son started golfing when he was 9 years old and the family was in Florida for a vacation.

"All the grandkids had gotten golf clubs for Christmas," she said. The 9-year-old Sloat announced that he was going to go with the grown-ups when they went golfing later. He was warned that if he could not keep up that he would have to walk and keep up, Keefer said.

"He was pretty natural right from the beginning. We were all like 'oh my gosh!'" his mother said. From then on, she recalls whenever her father and her husband would go golfing, her son would tag along.

"He turned out to be the golfer of the family," she said.

What had started out all in fun resulted in the family joining the local country club so Sloat could play.

"I would just hit balls in the backyard," Sloat said, "and then I finally got a full set and started playing tournaments when I was like 12."

His mother said they traveled all over when Sloat was younger and competing in Illinois Junior Golf Association competitions.

That is also when wing coach Moncel took young Sloat under his wing.

"I've taught Dustin his whole life. He's kind of like a son to me," he said.

SEE DUSTIN' PAGE 10



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Senior Dustin Sloat won the Bullock Collegiate Classic on April 10 in Dayton, Ohio. The Charleston native is planning on turning pro after this summer.



FROM LEFT
FIELD

DAN WOIKE
STAFF REPORTER

QB race benefits Donato

It's not easy being an athlete.

It's one of the few professions where you're never secure, where you have to look over your shoulder and where you have to constantly prove yourself without the help of your past accomplishments.

Eastern quarterback Mike Donato has to know all of this.

Donato led the Panthers to a perfect Ohio Valley Conference season after only taking three snaps in his collegiate career.

His passer efficiency rating was 119.47 (no idea what this means or how this number is calculated, but trust me, it's good).

He completed 57 percent of his passes, and he took pretty good care of the ball, throwing just nine interceptions as the Panthers went on to a 9-3 record.

He threw for nine touchdowns and rushed for three more.

He did everything the Panther coaches could have expected from him.

And because of this, he may not be the starting quarterback next season.

Officially, Donato heads into the Panthers' scrimmage on Saturday as the team's No. 1 quarterback.

Eastern offensive coordinator Mark Hutson said Donato will stay atop the depth chart for the remainder of the spring and through the summer workouts.

But after that, things get tricky.

Let's back up to last year.

There are two major reasons why the Panther football team succeeded in 2005 - its defense and running game.

The team was about as much of a threat through the air as the Canadian Air Force.

This really isn't Donato's fault; it's just who he was last year. He was an inexperienced quarterback who wasn't called on to win games for Eastern.

And when Eastern had to pass, like against Southern Illinois in the first round of the Division I-A playoffs, the Panther offense stalled.

Quarterback was clearly a priority in the Panthers' offseason, as the team added three transfers (Cole Stinson, Bodie Reeder and Andre Brown) to go along with Donato and sophomore-to-be Kyle Kniss.

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BASEBALL

Panthers win despite missed opportunities

Eastern strands 14 runners in 6-4 victory

BY MARCO SANTANA
ASSOCIATE SPORTS EDITOR

Whether it's a midweek game or a conference game, the Panthers continue to strand opportunities.

But it didn't cost them on Tuesday against Aurora the way it did against Jacksonville State on Saturday.

The Panthers have won 11 of their last 14 games after beating Aurora University 6-4, despite leaving 14 runners on base.

"We have to do a little better about putting teams away," said

Eastern head coach Jim Schmitz. "I have to create more action to take pressure off our guys."

Eastern led 5-1 in the bottom of the fifth inning when catcher Ryan Campbell and second baseman Blake Meyer singled around a walk to Casey Spears to load the bases.

Instead of blowing a game against a Division III opponent wide open, the Panthers kept them in the game.

Shortstop Adam Varrassi lined out to third and Jordan Kreke grounded into a double play to end the threat.

"It was unfortunate that we had so many hits but we couldn't get as many runs as we wanted to," center fielder Brett Nommenson said. Nommenson had three of the

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Panthers' 16 hits and stole his fifth base of the season.

A big part of Eastern's struggles have come from the middle of the lineup. While the top third of the order went a combined 9-for-13, the 4-5-6 hitters combined to go 3-for-13 in the game, with Campbell picking up two of the hits.

Designated hitter Jason Cobb went 0-for-5 and has now hit just .059 (2-for-34) in his last eight games.

"He comes out early all the time," Schmitz said. "But he's

struggling."

On the other side of the field, Aurora head coach Shaun Neitzel was impressed by the results.

"That's a situation where it very well could have been a 9-4, 10-4 ball game," he said.

The missed opportunities were a problem that cost the Panthers a game Saturday against Jacksonville State.

In that game, Eastern left 12 men on base including nine in the last seven innings of an extra-inning game.

They ended up missing out on a sweep because of it.

The No. 2 hitter, Mark Chagnon, had his fourth four-hit game of the season. All three games have been against non-conference opponents.