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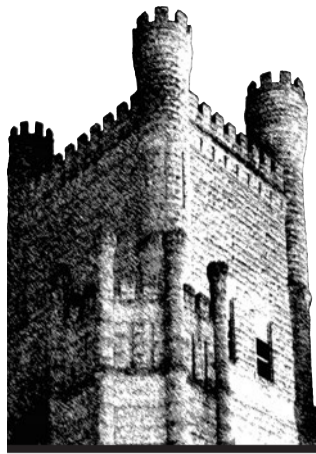
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Housing increase alters meal plans

By SARA RANNELLS
STAFF REPORTER

Students planning to live on campus next year have mixed feelings toward the new 7.5 percent housing rate increase.

Earlier this week, students learned the Board of Trustees approved the financial increase for housing, which will go into effect for the Fall 2006 semester.

The increase will affect all four of the meal plans available for 2006: the 7-plus plan, the 10-

Students react to revised meals and higher food, utility costs

plus plan, the 12-plus plan and the 15-plus plan. The 7-plus plan will begin next year, replacing this year's 5-plus plan.

Vince Shamhart, a sophomore math secondary education major, said he is not surprised the rate is increasing.

"It's pretty much expected," he said. "And I

guess the increase is needed."

Mark Hudson, director of housing and dining services, said the primary reason for the rate increase is the rising cost of utilities and food.

"We try to keep our rates as affordable as we can," Hudson said.

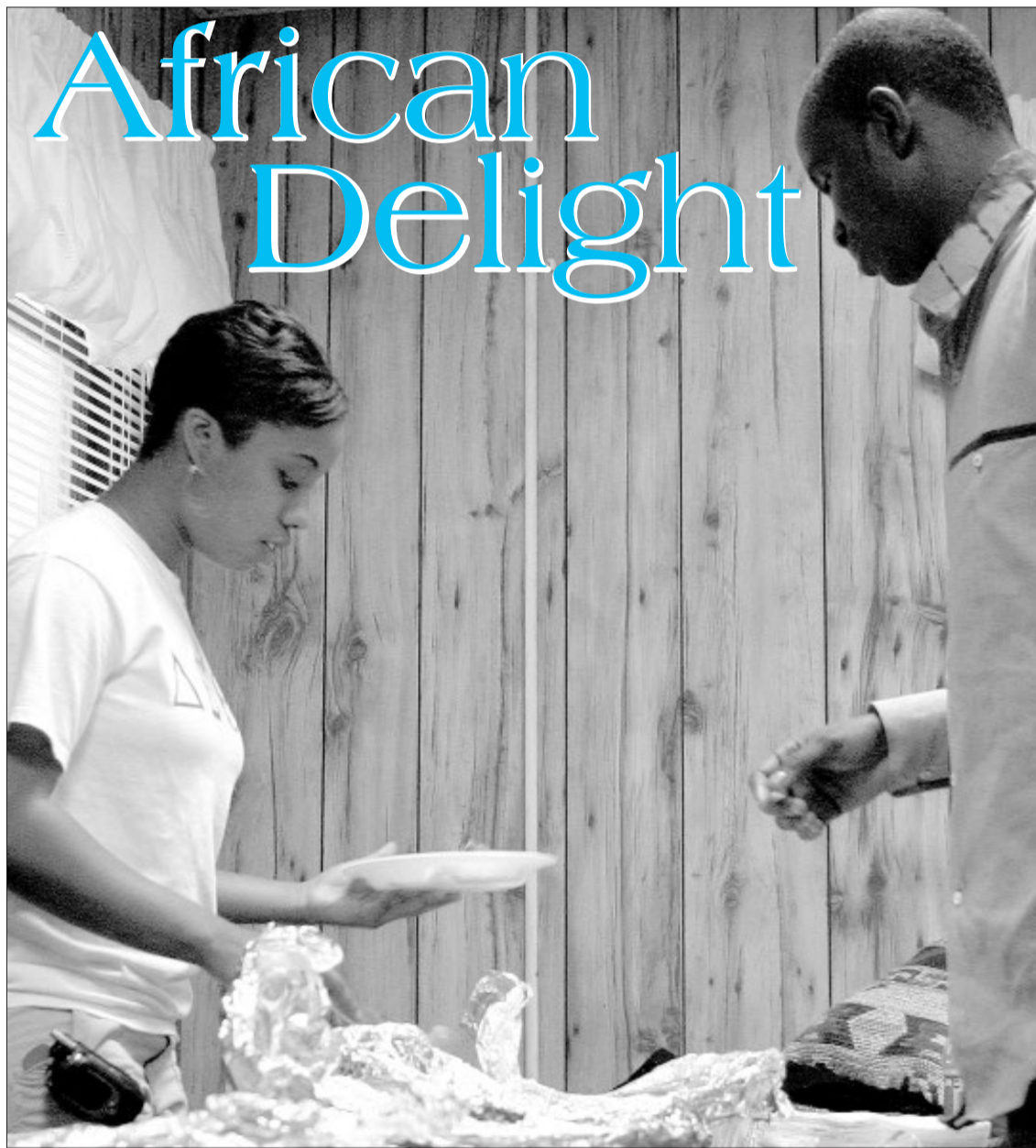
He said a 30-percent rise in utility costs is

expected, as well as a 4-percent rise in food costs for the next semester. In order to break even, housing rates must go up in accordance with these increases, he said.

Drew Randle, a sophomore communication studies and Spanish major, said he understands why the housing rates are increasing for next year.

"Of course, I'm not really for raising the cost," Randle said. "But I understand the situation the

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JOHN BAILEY/THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

Marissa Smith, a senior family and consumer sciences major, serves some chicken to Aboloulaye Traore, a junior finance major, at the Taste of Africa at the Afro-American Cultural Center Sunday afternoon.

'Taste of Africa' brings other cultures to Eastern

By MATT POLI
ACTIVITIES EDITOR

The scents and sounds of African culture overwhelmed the senses at the "Taste of Africa" Sunday evening at the Afro-American Cultural Center.

The first floor of the cultural center was packed with hungry attendees who were socializing with people from all descents.

Meanwhile, a plethora of African dishes including rice, meat, fish and fried plantains were served to the sounds of West African music.

Olu Akintorin, president of the African Student Association who also helped organize the event, said he looked at what other schools were doing in terms of

African culture and wanted to implement food in his events.

"(Africa) is such a diverse nation and has so much to offer," said Akintorin, who is from Nigeria.

Among the dishes served were jollof rice, fried rice, goat meat, pepper chicken, meat pies, fish and spicy yam porridge.

Tony Chauncey, 40, of Charleston, said he came to experience the unique food he couldn't get anywhere locally.

Originally from Los Angeles, Chauncey said the event for him was a reminder of how much he misses it because of all the food and music he had access to.

"I've had the food before, and not only was it authen-

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ILLINOIS BUDGET

Blagojevich proposes money for education

Initiatives would help parents, college students

By KAYLA CROW
ADMINISTRATION EDITOR

Illinois Gov. Rod Blagojevich announced his proposed \$45.4 billion budget for the fiscal year 2007, which included initiatives to help students and parents pay for college, last Wednesday.

Blagojevich discussed his plan, which he announced during his State of the State Address last month, which would give a \$1,000 tax credit for students who attend an Illinois university, public or private.

To receive the credit, students would have to be in their first two years of college and maintain 'B' averages. The credit would begin July 1, 2006, in order to be claimed on taxes in 2007, if it is approved.

The proposed tax credit will cost the state \$90 million annually. Blagojevich suggested selling the Illinois Designated Account Purchase Program, which is the state's "originator, purchaser and servicer of student loans," in order to fund the credits.

The governor said whoever buys IDAPP would have to agree to offer all current employees of the loan program jobs, avoid impacting student services and not change the terms of current loans.

The tax credit program works with the "Truth-in-Tuition" law Blagojevich signed in 2003 that locks in tuition rates for freshmen in college.

In his budget, the governor also recommended expanding the Monetary Award Program, or MAP, to \$8 million to help an additional 13,000 students receive money to pay for school.

Blagojevich proposed giving more than \$18 million to Illinois universi-

Blagojevich's budget proposals:

- ◆ Giving a \$1,000 tax credit for students in their first two years of college who have a 'B' average or better.
- ◆ Giving \$8 million to MAP grants to help an additional 13,000 students.
- ◆ Giving \$18 million to Illinois universities and almost \$7 million to state community colleges to help them attract and keep faculty.
- ◆ Investing \$100 million in stem cell research during the next five years.
- ◆ Starting a \$10 million project to give veterans who are under the poverty line and live at least 50 miles from a veterans hospital affordable and comprehensive health care.
- ◆ Starting numerous measures to help cure the state's nursing shortage, including creating a Center for Nursing with the Department of Financial and Professional Regulation to study and watch the nursing profession and creating nursing retention and recruitment initiatives, offering scholarships to those studying nursing education to increase the number of nursing professors, and offering loans to nursing students passed on merit as well as financial need.
- ◆ Creating a specialized prison and treatment facility for methamphetamine addicts at the Southwestern Illinois Correctional Center.
- ◆ Giving \$3 million in fiscal year 2007 to start training 100 new Illinois State Police cadets.

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HOLLY HENSCHEN
POLITICAL SCIENCE
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EVAN HILL
SENIOR
JOURNALISM MAJOR

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WTF?

Man allegedly bites off girlfriend's nose

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

TULSA, Okla. — A family sitting down to dinner had to call police and an ambulance after a man allegedly bit off the nose of his girlfriend, authorities said.

Jody Bennett came out of a back room of a north Tulsa residence on Thursday with a napkin over her face and said her boyfriend, identified as Greg Hill, had bitten her nose.

Medics responding to the house saw that Bennett's nose had been severed and called police.

"We looked around and tried to find a nose but couldn't find it," Cpl. Larry Edwards, a police spokesman, said. "I think he swallowed it."

An ambulance took Bennett, 37, to a local hospital where police talked to emergency room personnel about pumping Hill's stomach to see if the nose was inside, police

Cpl. Shane Tuell said.

"They said, given the acid in the stomach, that it would be a futile effort to try and do that," Tuell said.

The nose is made primarily of cartilage and other soft tissues that stomach acid can dissolve quickly.

The couple live in California, and the other people at the house didn't know what led to the assault, Tuell said.

Hill denied biting Bennett's nose, police said.

He was booked into the Tulsa Jail on complaints of aggravated assault and battery, resisting arrest and destroying evidence.

Bennett could receive help from domestic violence groups to recover from her injury if she cooperates with Hill's prosecution should a criminal charge be filed, Tuell said.

FEATURE PHOTO



JAY GRABIEC/THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

Matt Hughes, six-time Ultimate Fighting welterweight champion, plays around with junior wrestler Kenny Robertson at Eastern's wrestling meet at Lantz Arena on Sunday. Hughes took pictures and signed autographs for fans at the meet, where he was awarded a plaque and an Eastern sweatshirt.

COLLEGE & UNIVERSITY NEWS

DEN honored with fives firsts

STAFF REPORT

Members of The Daily Eastern News staff attended the Illinois College Press Association's annual conference and awards banquet last weekend in Chicago. The staff was awarded 19 honors from submitted entries published during the Spring 2005 and Fall 2006 semesters. Professional journalists who served as Illinois College Press Association judges honored *The DEN* with awards in the following categories:

- First place for an editorial cartoon, Mike Abernathy
- Second place for entertainment supplement, staff of *On the Verge, The Daily Eastern News*
- First place for non-sports column, Kevin Sampier
- First place for sports column, Dan Woike
- Honorable mention for feature story, Cindy Tanney
- First place for feature page design, Matt Meinheit
- Honorable Mention for feature page design, Matt Meinheit
- Third place for sports news story, Dan Woike
- Third place for sports page design, Hillary Settle and Dan

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- Honorable mention for in-depth reporting, Hillary Settle
- Second place for headline writing, Matt Meinheit
- Honorable mention for photo essay, Daniel Williams and Carrie Hollis
- Second place for feature photo, Nora Maberry
- Third place for feature photo, Daniel Williams
- First place for general news photo, Stephen Haas
- Honorable mention for general news photo, Daniel Williams
- Third place for spot news photo, Daniel Williams
- Honorable mention for spot news photo, Stephen Haas
- Honorable mention for the John David Reed Award for general excellence, the staff of *The Daily Eastern News*.

Colleges see higher levels of applications

BY LEAH NYLEN

CAVALIER DAILY (U. VIRGINIA)

CHARLOTTESVILLE, Va. — While universities nationwide saw a spike in the number of freshman applicants seeking admission for

the class of 2010, the University of Virginia's applicant pool remained relatively stable, growing by 1.6 percent according to Admissions Dean John Blackburn.

According to an article this past Monday in *USA Today*, some schools are recording as much as a 21 percent increase in applications, prompting admissions deans around the country to reduce the proportion of acceptances.

"I can tell you the [University's] numbers are up slightly — about 1.6 percent," for regular admissions, Blackburn said.

For early decision, the number of applications received is not significantly different than last year, Blackburn added.

Because of the modest increase in applications, Blackburn said he thinks getting into the University this year will be slightly more difficult.

"Since we're going to be looking for the same size class, we will be slightly more selective," Blackburn said. "We review all the factors that might affect the response to acceptance. I don't see anything dramatic that could cause a change, so we will have to be slightly tougher."

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Company buys college housing

Construction to be finished in July for Fall semester

BY KRISTEN LARSEN
CITY EDITOR

Taurus Investment Holdings closed Wednesday on the property between Campus Pointe and Wal-Mart that will be home to University Village Housing.

Taurus, a Chicago-based real-estate adviser, purchases and sells commercial and residential assets.

Cristian Galli, new owner of University Village and representative of Taurus Investment Holdings, said he is excited about making this new community a possibility.

University Village will have 28 single-family homes and 96 duplexes, surrounded by three acres of park land. The area will contain a basketball court, sand volleyball court and barbeque areas.

Tenants will consist only of college students, allowing the students to have a neighborly feeling with peers their age, Galli said.

The four-bedroom houses are 1,600 square feet while the three-bedroom duplexes are 1,200 square feet.

"They are much bigger than an apartment," Galli said.

Construction should be finished by July to allow students to move in by August.

"I'm happy to bring the new and different community here," Galli said.

Students who are interested in leasing at University Village can view a model home at 1405 Sixth St., across from Old Main, or look online at www.universityvillage-homes.com.

A ribbon-cutting ceremony will take place at the site at 11 a.m. Wednesday. Galli will cut the ribbon and be available to answer any questions.

WORLD SERIES TROPHY COMES TO EASTERN

Chicago White Sox fans wait in line to 'get close to a piece of baseball glory'

BY JOHN MARSHALL
STAFF REPORTER

A line of people waited anxiously to get a glimpse of the 2006 World Series trophy.

White Sox faithfuls were able to get up close and take pictures with the trophy last Thursday from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

The trophy was on display in the lobby of the Student Recreation Center in front of a giant picture of US Cellular Field.

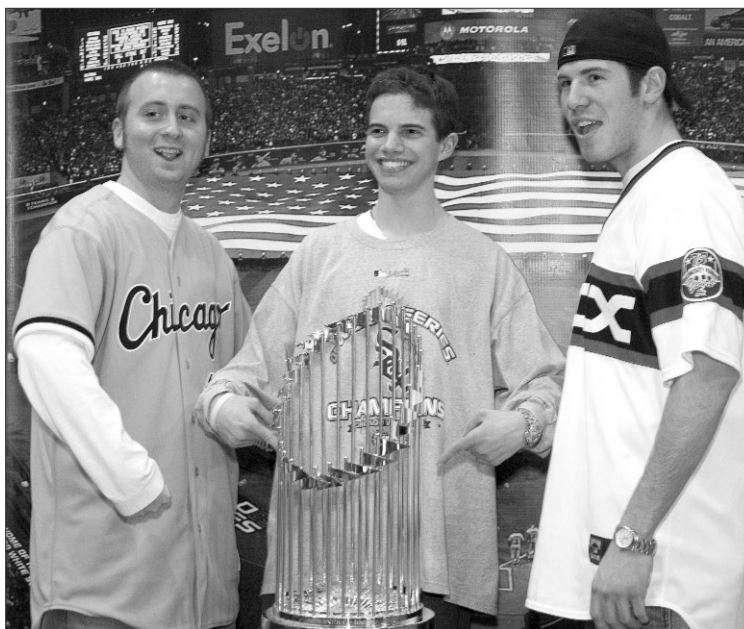
One of the first to get the opportunity to have a photo taken with the trophy was junior English major and avid White Sox fan, Deej Rolewski.

"The best day of my life, next to my graduation date," Rolewski said.

She said she had been in line since around 10:15 a.m. in order to beat the crowd.

At times, the line that began at the front desk of the recreation center stretched to just outside the main doors near Lantz Arena.

Jeff Landwehr, a sophomore environmental sciences major, described



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Tim Zarlengo, a sophomore business major; Brian Crescenzo, a freshman athletic training major; and Joe Longo, a junior business major, pose behind the 2005 World Series trophy to get their picture taken. The trophy has been traveling around Illinois and was at the Student Recreation Center Thursday morning where it was available for viewing.

the experience as "simply dank," after he got his picture taken with the championship trophy.

Landwehr waited in line for 25 minutes just to get close to the piece of baseball glory, but according to

"The best day of my life, next to my graduation date."

DEEJ ROLEWSKI,
JUNIOR ENGLISH MAJOR

him, it was well worth the wait.

Eastern alumnus and current member of the White Sox organization Greg Hopwood organized the World Series trophy's visit to Eastern Illinois University.

Hopwood, who graduated in 1996, approached recreation center director Ken Baker about bringing the trophy to Eastern as part of a 45-city tour spread across Illinois and Northwest Indiana.

When Baker was told of this, he jumped on the opportunity to allow Charleston's White Sox fan base to enjoy the team's achievements.

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JESS KINSELLA
STAFF REPORTER

A SIMPLE THANK YOU CAN GO A LONG WAY

College students are usually in a hurry and often make mistakes. Waiting until the last minute or misplacing and breaking things are common among college students.

Some of those valued belongings cannot be replaced or can only reappear with money you don't have.

We go through our day unaware of the people who helped us get by along the way. We go to the bank, order food, shop at Wal-Mart or stop by the post office, never noticing the people who do these everyday tasks for us.

The other day, I thought I would have a mini-heart attack, at the age of 19, after realizing I lost my book bag. It was a bag containing my wallet, and two notebooks; one was filled with notes and assignments, the other with notes from an interview I had for an upcoming article.

For those of you who are journalists, you know the importance of the notes you write down during an interview. This made me hyperventilate a little.

"We often give people a bad reputation these days, saying people are greedy, dishonest and hurtful."

I realized the bag could be anywhere because I had left it on the hood of my car before I drove away. Anyone could have grabbed it off the side of the road.

After retracing everywhere I had driven, I lost hope. I didn't see it anywhere and was sure someone had snatched it.

The point of this story is that it was returned to me by a Good Samaritan.

He didn't just find it and claim the items as his own. There were things in there that could not be replaced; not even with money.

This man went out of his way to return the bag to the journalism department, which is, luckily, where I wrote in my assignment notebook as the place to return the bag if someone lost and then found.

I now know the importance of that little area in the front of your academic planners that say "If found, please return to ..."

I don't know the man's name or what he does, but I am extremely grateful for what he did for me. I did thank him, a good 20 times, and tell him how appreciative I was, but after I got the bag I was out the door and on my way to my next task.

He was one of those people we fly by during a day, never thanking for the kind things they do. It was yesterday that I realized there is such a thing as a genuinely honest, good person.

We often give people a bad reputation these days, saying people are greedy, dishonest and hurtful.

We sometimes give the residents of Charleston a hard time, who, lets be honest, probably deal with a lot from more than 10,000 college students. We take them for granted.

Some wait our tables, fix our cars, cut our hair, deliver us mail or could be the one to return a lost item.

Most of them are our neighbors or maybe even friends. So give them a break and don't forget the importance of a simple thank you.

Kinsella, a sophomore secondary education major, can be reached at jkinsella@eiu.edu.

EDITORIAL CARTOON BY DAVID THILL



EDITORIAL

Readers need the whole story

The right to a free press comes with a responsibility to provide information of any subject matter in a proper and thorough way to the general public.

The recent suspension of the editor in chief of *The Daily Illini* at the University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign after printing the controversial cartoons regarding the Islamic prophet Muhammad provides a perfect example of what a newspaper's responsibility is to its readers.

The Daily Illini provided its readers with six of the controversial cartoons on the opinions page of the Feb. 9 edition. The newspaper did so with an editor's note from the editor in chief, Acton Gorton, and nothing else. *The Northern Star* at Northern Illinois University ran some of the cartoons along with several news items and a student reaction piece.

In cases such as this, where controversial material is being presented to the reader, editors have a responsibility as gatekeepers to present the information as thoroughly as possible.

We at *The Daily Eastern News* do not disagree with the general decision *The Daily Illini* and Gorton made to print the images, but we do believe such disputed material should have been presented in a more complete manner.

Alongside the cartoon images was just an editor's note that presented Gorton's viewpoint on the right to a free press and how the Muhammad conflict applies to that freedom. This response seems rushed and inappropriate for the readers, who deserve a full article explaining all the aspects of the situation. This article should examine this issue both on the international level and from a local level.

These options were available for *The Daily Illini*, but those options were not accomplished and that is where the problem lies.

Also, the other members of the editorial board have said they were not part of the discussion regarding the publication of these images.

At issue

The suspension of two *Daily Illini* editors after the newspaper ran controversial cartoons.

Our stance

While the editors had the right to run the cartoons, editors at *The Daily Illini* proved there's a wrong way to do so. They could have delivered the information in a better fashion.

There is no reason members of the newspaper should not have been consulted, even though the editor in chief has the right to make the decision on his own.

When expressing opinion based on such a hot-button topic, time should be taken by the editors of the paper to have a full discussion on how best to run the material they want to run. If this opportunity was not presented to the rest of the editorial board at *The Daily Illini*, then the chance was missed to take in valuable opinions on the matters at hand.

The publisher and general manager of *The Daily Illini*, Mary Cory, treads on dangerous ground, though, by suspending Gorton and his opinions editor, Chuck Prochaska, because they do have the right to print these images.

The task force at the university is now trying to decide if the printing of these images and the miscommunication among the staff members is an offense that should lead to Gorton being fired.

"The board and publisher reaffirm that final decisions about content in *The Daily Illini* rest with the editor in chief," Cory said in a written statement. "But the board and publisher also recognize that journalistic norms regarding professional behavior dictate that it is the editor's obligation to engage other student editors and student staff members in rigorous discussion and debate of sensitive content."

While Gorton was wrong if he did not speak to the rest of his staff, his position as editor in chief keeps this mistake from being worthy of a firing in this instance.

Gorton and Prochaska should not be fired, but the material they printed should have been presented in a better way.

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

YOUR TURN: LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

COLUMNISTS NEEDED

Have an opinion? We want to hear it! *The Daily Eastern News* is looking for students interested in voicing opinions on campus, state, national and international issues through columns. Submit columns to Buzzard Hall

CARTOONISTS WANTED

The DEN is interested in recruiting cartoonists that display artistic ability, particularly caricatures and tasteful humor as well as address campus issues. Items can be submitted at room 1811 of Buzzard Hall.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR: The *Daily Eastern News* accepts letters to the editor addressing local, state, national and international issues. They should be fewer than 250 words and include the authors' name, telephone number and address. Students should indicate their year in school and major. Faculty, administration and staff should indicate their position and department. Letters whose authors cannot be verified will not be printed. We reserve the right to edit letters for length. Letters can be sent to *The Daily Eastern News* at 1811 Buzzard Hall, Charleston IL 61920; faxed to 217-581-2923; or e-mailed to DENeic@gmail.com

AFRICAN FASHION ON DISPLAY

Apparel, art, dance illustrated in honor of Black History Month

By KRISTINA PETERS
STAFF REPORTER

Colorful fabrics and dancing set the scene for the African Fashion Show and Cultural Expo hosted by the African Students Association in the University Ballroom Saturday night.

In honor of Black History Month, various students represented 14 countries as they presented traditional attire from West and Southeast Africa.

"They really represented their places very well," said Domesha Perkins, a junior English major.

Throughout the night, audience members saw both formal and casual wear.

"I get a bit envious by the way they (dress)," said Amanda Friberg, an exchange student from Sweden.

Apparel was in every color imaginable including pinks, blues, greens, deep reds, golds, purples and whites, all of which were vibrantly displayed.

"I loved the colors, especially the golds," Friberg said.

A main difference between formal and casual attire is the place where it is worn.

Formal wear is for weddings and church, whereas casual wear is more for going out to neighbors' homes.

Attire for the show was not purchased, but was donated by faculty and organization members.

"Some were (also) my clothes," said Olu Akintorin, president of the African Students Association, who is from Nigeria.

Although the traditional African apparel was a major part of the show, dancing was also a key component.

Models danced their way across the runway, and the Community Performance Ensemble, a group from East St. Louis, showed its moves.

As the men played their instruments, the women danced along.

"They were awesome," Perkins said. "They know how to move."

The Ensemble has been a group for 27 years and has been featured in Time magazine twice.

Audience members did not just sit and watch this event. On two occasions they, too, were able to get up and dance.

The East St. Louis group gathered the audience to teach them some traditional dance moves, and earlier models grabbed some audience members to dance with them.

"Everyone was so involved," said Danny Clark, a senior economics major who also modeled. "Even the people who don't normally dance danced."

Besides clothes and dance, African art was displayed.

"A lot were (borrowed) from faculty, family and friends," Akintorin said.

Of those pieces, there was a blanket, head mask and numerous statues.

"We wanted to promote the African lifestyle," said Armel Boti, a senior economics major from Ivory Coast who also modeled.

This was the first major event for the five-year-old African Students Association, Akintorin said.

CAMPUS BRIEFS

City offices close for national holiday

Charleston's City Hall, Department of Parks and Recreation, Police Department Records and Parking are closed today for President's Day.

Chess tournament raises \$300 for trip

The Eastern Illinois Society of Physics Students raised almost \$300 during this weekend's chess tournament to help finance its trip to the Space and Rocket Center in Huntsville, Ala.

In the college division, Tony Ciasto took first place, David Conwell took second and Chris Richardson took third.

Don Smith won first in the open division, followed by Mike Hayes in second and Jay Daniels in third.

Winners in the high school division were Justin Stafford in first, Aaron Macy in second and Caleb Winland in third.

"We had an idea that we wanted to do something to raise money, and students had some experience with chess," said Steve Daniels, faculty adviser of SPS.

UB hosts game night to recruit members

University Board will host a recruitment event today. The event will feature board games such as Simpsons Clue, Cranium, Bingo and "Saturday Night Live" Trivial Pursuit. Students are welcome to bring their own games as well. Free popcorn and prizes will be given out to all who attend. The event is from 7 to 9 p.m. today in the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union Ballroom.

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Speaker creates sessions to improve senate members' skills

BY LAUREN MOORE
STUDENT GOVERNMENT EDITOR

Student Senate members, both new and old, are learning the basics of writing legislation.

Student Speaker Sean Anderson said the two legislative "educational" he has held so far have taught members how to write items and good legislation.

"I'm trying to improve everybody's skills ... the meetings aren't mandatory, they are just helping themselves," Anderson said.

He said 12 people have attended, but those members were only able to make it to the first session.

"At the second meeting, no one came, and that is part of the reason I'm changing the date each time,"

Anderson said. "I'm expecting 10 to 15 people this week."

Anderson said he would like to challenge everyone in the senate to come at least once. Creating these sessions was an idea Anderson said he had for improving the senate.

"This is something I brought to the table to internally help our organization," Anderson said.

Through these sessions he looks to improve the senate members in their abilities so the Student Senate can serve Eastern students, he said.

Senate member Jeff Melanson said he has gained knowledge about writing legislation for the organization through the educational session.

"It has given me an idea on how legislation is written," Melanson said. "It

also has helped me develop friendships more with the student senators."

Melanson said because of time conflicts, he has been unable to attend some of the sessions.

This week's legislative educational will be at 5 p.m. on Thursday in the Student Activities Center in the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union.

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Military releases names of 10 U.S. troops killed in helicopter crash

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

JACKSONVILLE, N.C. — Ten U.S. service members died when a pair of Marine Corps helicopters from a unit based in North Carolina crashed off the coast of Africa, U.S. military officials confirmed Sunday.

The two CH-53E choppers, carrying a dozen crew and troops from a U.S. counterterrorism force, went down during a training flight Friday in the Gulf of Aden, near the northern coastal town of Ras Siyyan in Djibouti.

Two crew members who were rescued were taken in stable condition to

the U.S. military's Landstuhl Regional Medical Center in Germany.

The aircraft and eight Marines were from Marine Heavy Helicopter Squadron 464, based at Marine Corps Air Station New River. Two Air Force airmen killed were from bases in Washington state and Virginia.

"We were devastated," said Marine Corps 1st Lt. Paul Tremblay, who is based at Camp Lejeune, the huge post on the Atlantic Ocean that's next to the New River air station. "It hits us very hard as Marines when we lose anyone."

The Pentagon said the Marines killed in the crash were: 1st Lt.

Brandon R. Dronet, 33, of Erath, La., Sgt. James F. Fordyce, 22, of Newtown Square, Pa., Lance Cpl. Samuel W. Large, Jr., 21, of Villa Rica, Ga., Sgt. Donnie Leo F. Levens, 25, of Long Beach, Miss., Cpl. Matthieu Marcellus, 31, of Gainesville, Fla., Sgt. Jonathan E. McColley, 23, of Gettysburg, Pa., Lance Cpl. Nicholas J. Sovie, 20, of Ogdensburg, N.Y., Capt. Bryan D. Willard, 33, of Hummelstown, Pa.

Also killed in the crash were Senior Airman Alecia S. Good, 23, of Broadview Heights, Ohio, of the 92nd Communications Squadron at Fairchild Air Force Base, Wash.; and

Staff Sgt. Luis M. Melendez Sanchez, 33, of Bayamon, Puerto Rico, of the 1st Communications Squadron, Langley Air Force Base, Va.

"Our deepest sympathy and heartfelt prayers go out to the family members, friends, loved ones and co-workers of our fallen brothers- and sisters-in-arms," said Maj. Gen. Timothy Ghormley, commanding general of the counterterrorism force. "We mourn their loss and honor their memory."

Margaret Levens said she was proud that her son, Donnie Levens, had a chance to do what he loved.

"He was there to serve his country

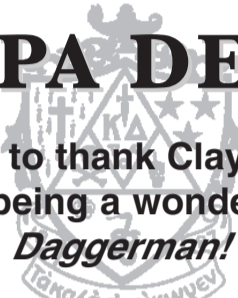
and to keep his family and country safe," Margaret Levens said. "It was what he wanted to do. He was there for us ... in fact he had reenlisted for four (more) years."

The remains of the eight Marines and two airmen were sent back to the United States on Sunday, task force spokeswoman Maj. Susan Romano told The Associated Press by telephone from Djibouti.

Military officials were investigating why the aircraft when down in shallow water. They said there was no indication of hostile fire, and visibility was good with light wind.

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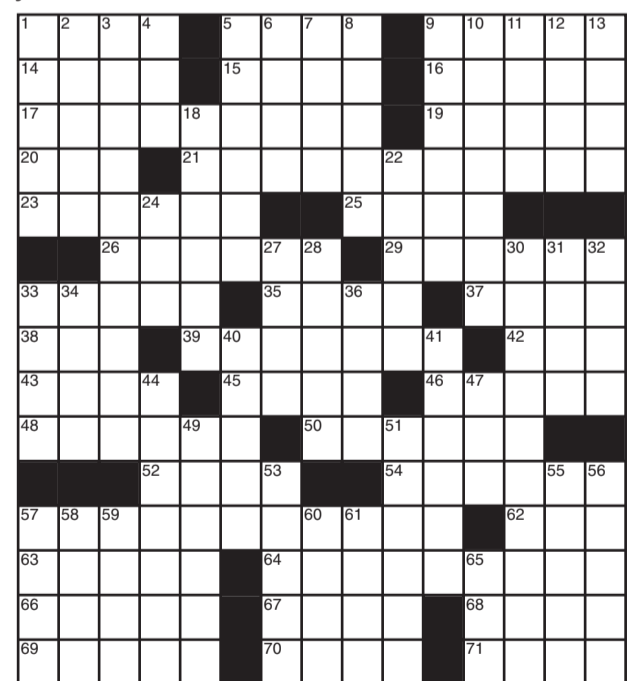
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BUDGET:

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President Hencken signs letter openly supporting governor's proposal

ties to help them attract and keep faculty members. Illinois community colleges would receive almost \$7 million.

Last Tuesday, Eastern President Lou Hencken released a letter signed by himself and other university presidents to the governor stating their support while voicing their concerns about selling student loan debts.

The presidents said they want Blagojevich to ensure a number of provisions for the loans.

They want to ensure that disadvantaged students can still get loans, that scholarships for veterans are preserved and enhanced and students are guaranteed the terms of their loans will not be changed, the presidents said. They also said they hope any money made from the sale of the loan programs remains in higher education to fund more tax credits and projects.

Besides Hencken, the letter was signed by Glenn Poshard, president of Southern Illinois University; B. Joseph White, president of the University of Illinois; and presidents of several other state universities.

In the letter, the presidents said the proposed budget "sends a strong message about economic recovery and underscores your (Blagojevich's) historic commitment to access and opportunity."

Hencken and the other university presidents said they support the governor's College Tuition Tax Credit and his proposed expansion of MAP grants, but are concerned about the proposal to sell student loans.

INCREASE:

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Utility cost increase expected to affect off-campus students

Randle said. "But I understand the situation the university is in."

Kevin Jackson, a sophomore business management major said it is unfair to judge the rate increase this early.

"You don't know what the price of natural gas is going to be next semester," he said. "That rate could go down. These things fluctuate."

This cost increase will not only affect students planning to live on campus, but students living off campus will have to deal with a possible rise in their utility costs as well.

"Everybody will realize that increased expense," Hudson said.

Hudson said the Office of Housing and Dining met with the Residence Hall Association and came up with the changes to the meal plan options in order to offset the rise in costs with new added features.

There will be more flexibility with student meal swipes next semester, he said, such as new bonus swipes for guests and the ability to swipe more than once in a given meal period.

While these new features are expected to be beneficial, some students think these features should already be in place.

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"I don't know why they don't do the bonus swipes now," Randle said. "They shouldn't wait to raise prices to be better in their meal plans."

FLAVOR:

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Students enjoy tastes, sounds of Africa

tic, but it was good," he said.

The music for the event was chosen in part by Armel Boti, a senior economics major from the Ivory Coast.

Boti said he tried to go with more traditional West African music for the event, although most of the music was from all over Africa.

"There are many African students (on campus), but they all don't know each other," Boti said while pointing out all the new faces in the crowd. "There's people I've met today I've never seen before."

While Akintorin said while he wished for the event to take place outdoors when the weather was warmer, he was pleased with the turnout.

"(Taste of Africa) is just a sneak peak of the many cultures (in Africa)," he said.

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WRESTLING

Eastern loses in final home meet

By **PATRICK VITT**
STAFF REPORTER

After going undefeated at last weekend's meet and picking up two team wins, Eastern was looking forward to another key victory in its home finale.

Eastern (3-12) dropped both matches against No. 24, Northern Illinois, and Northern Colorado Sunday at Lantz Arena in its last matches before starting with regional qualifying.

Head coach Ralph McCausland was not satisfied with the effort of his team from the start of the meet.

"We looked flat. They just didn't prepare well or just took their matches lightly," he said. "We did not meet the intensity level from last weekend, focus, which we were lacking."

Sophomore 184-pounder Greg Perz was the lone Panther to finish the meet 2-0, winning his first meet by pin in the first period. His second victory came by a 10-4 decision after leading the match 7-0 going into the third period.

Sunday was the first time in the last nine meets that junior 174-pounder



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Sophomore Greg Perz locks in a hold on Northern Illinois sophomore Derick LaLowski at Lantz Arena Sunday. Perz won both of his matches at the meet.

Kenny Robertson had not finished the day undefeated. Robertson brought a nine-match winning streak into the meet and lost his first match of the day by a 3-2 decision to Northern Colorado's Shawn Hart.

This was a meet to be forgotten for the entire wrestling team, and now Eastern will be preparing for NCAA regionals.

"I just have to be ready to step it up for regionals," he said. "I know I wasn't

ready today, and I lost my first match to some guy I know I should have beat."

McCausland knows that having four freshmen in the lineup and still remaining competitive was not something they planned at the beginning of the season.

"We have some young kids who are getting a great deal of experience," he said. "At the beginning of the season, we didn't figure starting that many true freshman, and that makes for a long season for everyone, but if these kids stick together, they will be part of a great nucleus next year."

Eastern will start its postseason March 5 in the NCAA West regional bracket at the University of Wyoming.

SLUMPS:

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Panthers limping into postseason

Sallee remains concerned with the Panthers' mental fatigue right now as opposed to physical fatigue. With three freshmen in the starting lineup and playing meaningful minutes in their first season, they may have hit the proverbial brick wall.

"They may be a little tired between the ears," Sallee said. "But, I think we're in a good position to make some changes and get them going again before the tournament."

Thanks to losses by Eastern Kentucky and Tennessee-Martin on Thursday

night, the Panthers clinched their first Ohio Valley Conference Tournament berth since 2003.

The Panthers climbed back into Saturday's game after junior guard A m a n d a Maxedon drained a three-pointer to cut Murray State's lead to 56-46 with 4 minutes, 25 seconds left. Murray State ripped off another 8-0 run to put the Panthers away for good.

"We had a hard time putting anything together," Sallee said. "To (Murray State's) credit, they just forced us into so many mistakes. "We're still in

MURRAY ST. 72, EASTERN 52

EASTERN	fg		ft		reb		pts
	min	m-a	m-a	o-t	a	pf	
Sims	18	3-5	2-2	2-5	1	1	8
Galligan	34	7-12	2-3	1-8	0	1	16
Edwards	30	0-5	0-0	0-2	7	0	0
Sparks	39	4-14	5-6	0-5	2	4	14
Canale	30	1-6	0-0	1-4	3	3	2
Kramer	10	1-1	0-0	0-0	2	0	2
Sellers	8	0-1	0-0	0-1	1	1	0
Eck	14	1-6	0-0	0-1	0	1	3
Maxedon	2	1-1	0-0	1-1	0	2	3
Scaggs	1	0-1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Kluempers	9	1-2	0-0	1-4	1	0	2
Lippard	5	1-2	0-0	0-0	0	1	2
TOTALS	200	20-56	9-11	6-31	17	14	52

Percentages: FG .357 3-point goals: 3-11 (Eck 1-5, Sparks 1-3, Edwards 0-2, Maxedon 1-1) Blocked shots: 3 (Galligan, Sparks, Sellers) Steals: 9 (Sparks 3, Canale 3, Kramer, Edwards, Sims) Turnovers: 24

MURRY. ST.	fg		ft		reb		pts
	min	m-a	m-a	o-t	a	pf	
Hayes, A. N.	24	2-8	2-2	0-3	2	2	7
Scott	37	7-20	3-3	3-9	2	3	17
Gordian	37	5-10	2-2	1-9	3	2	13
Hayes, A. B.	27	4-8	0-0	0-3	0	2	11
Petty	25	1-3	1-2	1-3	3	0	3
Matthews	19	5-7	0-2	1-2	1	3	10
Guffey	19	2-4	5-5	1-2	4	1	9
Lee	11	1-4	0-0	0-3	0	2	2
Adlich	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
TOTALS	200	27-64	13-16	7-34	15	15	72

Percentages: FG .422 3-point goals: 5-12 (B. Hayes 3-6, Gordian 1-3, N. Hayes 1-2, Scott 0-1) Blocked shots: 7 (Scott 5, Gordian, Guffey) Steals: 15 (Scott 5, Matthews 4, Petty 2, Guffey 2, B. Hayes, Adlich) Turnovers: 16

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M-BASKETBALL: EASTERN MICH. 65, EASTERN ILL. 50



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Eastern Michigan senior center John Bowler shoots between Eastern's sophomore guard Bobby Catchings (14) and sophomore center George Tandy during the Eagles' 65-50 win at Lantz Arena. Bowler's 24 points and 15 rebounds were both game highs.

EASTERN MICH. 65, EASTERN ILL. 50

EIU	fg			ft			reb			
	min	m-a	m-a	o-t	a	pf	pts	a	pf	pts
Tandy	28	2-6	2-3	0-4	1	2	6			
Byrne	19	2-4	1-2	1-4	0	4	5			
Robinson	33	3-7	0-0	0-0	4	1	7			
Gomes	37	7-12	2-2	1-4	0	1	19			
Catchings	32	2-9	3-5	3-4	3	2	8			
Sinclair	15	0-2	0-0	0-1	1	1	0			
Parrish	16	1-3	0-0	1-2	1	5	2			
Brown	2	0-1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0			
Duany	2	0-1	0-0	0-1	0	0	0			
Burke	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0			
Wilkin	14	1-1	1-4	0-0	1	2	3			
TOTALS	200	18-46	9-16	7-22	11	18	50			

Percentages: FG .391 3-point goals: 5-14 (Robinson 1-3, Gomes 3-6, Catchings 1-4, Brown 0-1) Blocked shots: 2 (Catchings 2) Steals: 7 (Robinson 3, Wilkin 2, Sinclair, Parrish) Turnovers: 13

EMU	fg			ft			reb			
	min	m-a	m-a	o-t	a	pf	pts	a	pf	pts
Freer	4	0-1	0-0	0-0	0	3	0			
Matthews	21	1-1	1-2	1-5	0	3	3			
Medlock	33	5-12	2-2	0-3	1	2	15			
Gay	16	1-1	0-0	1-1	0	0	2			
Bowler	34	6-15	12-16	6-15	4	3	24			
Ford	8	0-0	1-2	0-0	2	0	1			
Young	1	0-0	0-0	0-1	0	0	0			
McElhinny	31	3-6	0-0	0-0	2	1	9			
Cashen	25	2-3	0-0	0-3	0	1	5			
Lewis	27	2-5	0-0	3-8	1	2	6			
TOTALS	200	17-51	23-27	10-31	10	22	65			

Percentages: FG .455 3-point goals: 9-21 (Medlock 3-8, McElhinny 3-6, Cashen 1-2, Lewis 2-5) Blocked shots: 0 Steals: 5 (Medlock 3, Bowler, Lewis) Turnovers: 16

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Seniors make final meet memorable

"We had a ton of lifetime bests. We haven't even had time to count them all yet."

RAY PADOVAN, EASTERN SWIMMING COACH

Sophomore Patty Young finished her second season by making her way into the record books.

She entered Eastern history with record times in the 100- and 200-yard breaststroke.

"We had rested the week before, so I was hoping to drop time," Young said. "I just felt really smooth in the water and it was such a competitive meet with everyone cheering me on from the blocks and the stands."

Junior Brittany Winger also broke a school record at the meet. Her time of 2:11.12 in the 200-yard individual medley earned her the last of the eight new school records.

"We had a ton of lifetime bests," Padovan said. "We haven't even had time to count them all yet."

Despite not joining some of her other teammates in the record-breaking frenzy, senior Jenny Curry swam very well.

"She didn't break any school records," Padovan said. "But she was phenomenal. She destroyed her best (times) ever. That's really something when you can do that as a senior."

"You can't walk away with a better feeling than knowing you swam three lifetime bests in the last meet of your career."

There is only the awards banquet left for the seniors this season. While there will be some reminiscing and feelings of nostalgia, the seniors know it is time to think about things other than swimming.

"I have been swimming competitively for a really long time," Garvey said. "But I think it's time to move on and start worrying about graduation and finding a job."

"I guess I'm getting old."

Panthers' cold shooting forces sixth loss in a row

BY MATT DANIELS
ASSOCIATE SPORTS EDITOR

The Panthers had no answer for Eastern Michigan senior John Bowler on Saturday at Lantz Arena.

Combine the center's physical presence inside with the cold shooting of Eastern Illinois in the second half, and the result was a 65-50 Panther loss.

The six-game losing streak is the longest of the year for Eastern.

The 6-foot-9, 260-pound Bowler

bullied his way for 24 points, 15 rebounds and 4 assists in a dominant performance.

"They made sure the ball went through him," Eastern head coach Mike Miller said. "He was getting his hands on the ball, and he was making some plays for them."

With Bowler firmly planting himself in the lane throughout the game, it was difficult for Eastern to stop him.

"He parked right in the middle of the floor," Miller said. "It's impossi-

ble to defend a guy that stands in the middle of the floor.

"You can't guard him, particularly if he weighs 260 pounds. It's impossible to do."

Not helping the cause, sophomore forward Jake Byrne picked up two quick fouls five minutes into the game.

"That was really a damper," Byrne said about picking up two early fouls. "I kind of had to be on my toes the rest of the game."

The second-leading scorer in the Mid-American Conference at 18.8 points per game had a near double-double in the first half, tallying 11 points and 9 rebounds.

The Panthers (6-19) sprinted out to a 9-1 lead with 16 minutes, 50 seconds left in the first half, thanks in part to five points from senior guard Josh Gomes.

Eastern seemed to be in control of the game midway through the first half leading 20-12 with 9 minutes remaining, only to be outscored 24-6 the rest of the half — included was a 12-0 run in the final three and a half minutes.

"That spark definitely carried over throughout the rest of the game," Gomes said.

The spark the Eagles carried was missing from the Panthers' shooting.

After hitting 11-of-21 shots in the first half, Eastern cooled down considerably, shooting 28 percent in the second half.

After the Eagles (6-17) forged ahead 42-34 with 13 minutes, 32 seconds remaining, the Panthers were unable to pull within single digits the rest of the game.

Miller said he didn't attribute the Eagles' switching from a man-to-man defense to zone as the cause for his team's shooting woes. Instead, he just said Eastern missed open shots.

"I thought we had some pretty good looks," Miller said. "I don't think you can look at it and say, 'Well, we weren't able to get shots.'"

"We had several at the basket that we missed, and we've got to make some plays."

The Eagles out-rebounded Eastern 38-22, getting second and third chances at the basket.

"We got crushed on the glass," Miller said. "We couldn't make enough plays, and we couldn't rebound."

"It really is that simple."

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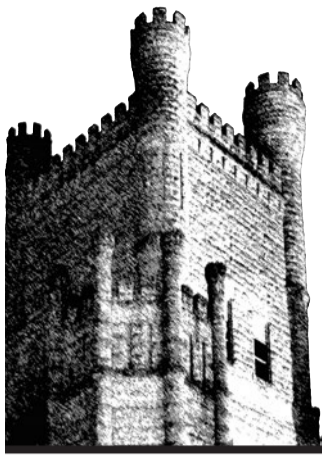
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SWIMMING: MID-CONTINENT CONFERENCE CHAMPIONSHIPS

Panthers' best no match for Mid-Con's elite

By JOE WALTASTI
STAFF REPORTER

Despite breaking eight school records and setting several personal bests, the Panthers came up short at the Mid-Continent Conference Championship.

"I thought we swam well enough," said head coach Ray Padovan. "But, unfortunately, where our teams are strong is also where Oakland is the strongest. Our best couldn't beat their best."

Oakland University easily outscored the rest of the field and took the MCC

championship for the seventh consecutive season. The Oakland men scored 1,013 points and beat IUPUI, who had 480 points. The Eastern men finished in fourth place scoring 421.50 points.

Eastern's women's team scored 583.50 points and finished in second place behind Oakland, who had 970 points.

"We knew going in that Oakland was head and shoulders above everyone else," Padovan said. "It was still a very good meet for us."

Four swimmers broke eight records this weekend.

Junior Bill Senese broke the 50-yard

freestyle and the 100-yard backstroke records.

"The backstroke just felt really good," Senese said. "Better than I ever have before. The 50 free I was hoping to be a little faster, but it was still a really good time."

Senior Claire Garvey finished her senior season in the best possible fashion — breaking the school record in three different events.

She became the Eastern record holder in the 400-yard individual medley but took only fourth at the tournament.

Her record times in the 1,000 and

1,650 both fell in the same race. Her time through 1,000 yards of the mile race was faster than any individual 1,000-yard freestyle race so it counted in the Eastern record books.

"I guess I finally figured out to swim the mile," Garvey said about her record time. "I usually started slow and had to play catch up at the end."

"This time I started fast and tried to pace myself with the Oakland girl next to me. She ended up beating me by one second but I was really happy with my time."

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NEW EASTERN RECORDS

CLAIRE GARVEY

400-meter IM — 4:39.46
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BILL SENESE

50-meter freestyle — 20.75
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PATTY YOUNG

100-meter breaststroke — 1:07.07
200-meter breaststroke — 2:24.30

BRITTANY WININGER

200-meter IM — 2:11.12

W-TRACK & FIELD

A 'Special' Friday night Team builds momentum into OVC Championship

By KATIE ANDERSON
STAFF REPORTER

Freshman Vicki Dzura set a season's best record in the triple jump and took first out of the scoring teams with her jump of 37-3 3/4 inches at the Friday Night Special in Lantz Fieldhouse.

The second place jump was 36-11 3/4, a personal best for the freshman Jenna Uhe also of Eastern.

"We're finally learning how to triple jump," Uhe said.

The women preformed well in preparation for this weekend's Ohio Valley Conference tournament at Tennessee State.

With many personal record performances, the women's team took first at the meet in Lantz with a score of 181.

Southern Illinois finished in second place with 101 points.

Dzura and Uhe attribute their recent progress in the jumps to the passage of time and coaching.

Uhe jumped two personal records at the meet, finishing second in the triple jump and also finishing second in the long jump.

Dzura added the team is not working on just steps anymore and can now focus on form and competing. This is Dzura's first year at triple jump.

Nicole Walcott also lit up the runway with her performances in the jumps. She took first in long jump at 18 feet, 3 inches, a jump which was a foot longer than the second place finish and a season's best for the women's team.

Walcott also was the top Eastern finisher in shot put with a seventh place finish and throw of 39 feet, 10 inches.

Freshman Violet Nwordu also had a record-breaking weekend. She came into the meet with a goal in mind — she wanted to run 25 seconds or better in the 200-meter dash. And she did.

Nwordu took second in the 200-meter dash with time of 25.77 seconds, which places her in the top-five indoor times in Eastern's history.

Nwordu also earned points for her team with a third-place finish in the 60-meter dash and by running the second leg of the fourth place 4x400 relay.

"I was fighting so hard," she said. "When I compete, I don't think. I just run."

And just running has served the freshman well, as she has been seeing "dramatic decreases" in her time and has been setting personal, season and school records all season.

Junior Nicole Flounders won the mile with a personal record time of 5 minutes, 9.37 seconds.

She was looking to break 5 minutes and wished she started faster but was happy to have achieved a P.R.

She finished more than 50 meters ahead of second place finisher and teammate Jessica Blondell. Blondell also ran a personal record at 5:18.61.

"I was pretty happy with my time" Blondell said.

This was Blondell's first meet in two weeks, as the freshman was recovering from bronchitis.

The Panthers will look to improve upon their second-place finish in last year's OVC Indoor Championships. Competition begins Friday at the Gentry Center in Nashville, Tenn.



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Freshman Nicole Walcott soars toward the pit during the Friday Night Special's long jump competition at Lantz Fieldhouse. Walcott's winning jump of 18 feet 3 inches out-distanced the competition by over a foot. She also placed seventh in the shot put.

W-BASKETBALL: MURRAY ST. 75, EIU 52

Panthers lose fourth straight

By MARC CORRENTI
STAFF REPORTER

The Eastern women's basketball team's Achilles' heel is back.

After losing the points in the paint battle 44-14 in Thursday's 84-76 loss to Southeast Missouri, the Panthers were roughed up again in Saturday's 72-52 loss at Murray State.

The Lady Racers did the same to Eastern as they dominated the paint (32-12) and handed the Panthers (10-16, 9-9 OVC) their fourth consecutive loss and fifth in their last six games.

"It's definitely frustrating," Eastern head coach Brady Sallee said. "But we're trying to get through as best as we can."

Murray State (10-15, 8-10) used 11-3 and 8-0 runs in the first half to grab a 38-28 lead at halftime.

Not only were the Lady Racers controlling the paint, but they also forced Eastern into 24 turnovers. They made those turnovers count as they had a 26-8 advantage in points off turnovers.

"We have to realize that every possession means something and use more focus," Sallee said. "A lot of the credit can be given to Murray State. They pressured us and we forced a lot of passes."

Murray State also had the benefit of balanced scoring as four players scored in double figures, led by Joi Scott's 17 points.

Freshman center Rachel Galligan and senior guard Megan Sparks scored 16 and 14 points, respectively, to pace Eastern. Nobody else could get anything going for the Panthers as the rest of the team scored 22 points on 9-of-30 shooting.

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