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CAMPUS | PRESENTERS

Speaker seeks security

Controversial film draws fire during Shiley’s last visit

By Emily Zulz
Activities Reporter

Last March, Mike Shiley showed “Inside Iraq: The Untold Story” as part of University Board’s Lecture Series.

Just after, a Facebook group titled “Americans Against Mike Shiley” was formed.

Shiley, a self-financing filmmaker, said the group attracted more than 200 people, and someone posted a death threat on its wall.

Shiley said it was not that threatening because the person said “antlers should be put on Shiley and then shot.”

Because of this, Shiley asked for added security for Tuesday’s film and discussion on immigration.

Shiley said the death threat was at the time of the Virginia Tech shooting, and he took it seriously.

With the recent shootings last week, especially the one at Northern Illinois University, and the controversial nature of the topic, Shiley asked UB for security.

A police officer stood at each door.

Before entering, those attending had to empty their pockets while the officers waved a wand over their bodies.

Shiley said he felt like he passed a test of fire Tuesday night.



JOHN BAILEY | THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

Mike Shiley speaks about his “Four Solutions” for immigration Tuesday night in Lumpkin Auditorium.

He said he came wearing his “fighting suit” and was prepared for more of a challenge from the audience.

Shiley’s most recent film “Solving Immigration: The Truth is Out There” showed in Lumpkin Hall

Auditorium to a crowd of 12 people.

The film focused only on Latin American immigration.

A discussion followed the documentary, when audience members were able to ask Shiley questions.

Shiley said he expected a full

house but added that immigration is a more dry, indirect issue than his last film about Iraq.

“It’s less personal,” Shiley said.

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WORLD | POLITICS

Cubans wonder about Castro stepping down

His brother, Raul, turns a temporary position into a permanent one

The Associated Press

HAVANA — Commuters lined up at bus stops. Government offices hummed, and tourist resorts were bustling.

All appeared normal – a typical Tuesday in Cuba.

Except on the front page of the Communist Party newspaper, which splashed the news of Fidel Castro’s retirement as president.

There was no public weeping, no crowd of loyalists at the Plaza of the Revolution, where thousands of Cubans have traditionally gathered to honor the bearded guerrilla leader who survived despite the efforts of 10 U.S. presidents to bring him down.

After 19 months of interim rule by Raul Castro while his elder brother recovered from intestinal surgery, Cubans were ready to focus on the new government, to be selected Sunday by the National Assembly.

They wondered whether a President Raul Castro would let more people open businesses, own homes and even travel abroad. Or – given



NAME NAME | MCT

Miguel Saavedra, president of Vigila Mambisa in Little Havana Florida, asks why the U.S. government did not invade Cuba like it did Iraq.

that Raul is already 76 – whether it will fall to a new generation of leaders to fulfill or frustrate their dreams of prosperity.

During his 1½ years as acting president, Raul Castro has hinted at reform but made few major changes – a reticence many see as a sign of respect for his beloved, more doctrinaire older brother.

And while hoping that Raul and his likely No. 2, Carlos Lage, will advocate for change, they wonder how that will fly with Fidel, who stepped down but isn’t going away.

“There has to be some change, more freedom with Raul,” said Andres, 63, who, like many Cubans, wouldn’t give his last name for fear of reprisal when talking about the

Castro brothers. “The other one always nipped that off at the bud.”

The resignation, announced Tuesday, should give Raul Castro the autonomy he lacked as the government’s caretaker since Fidel was sidelined by intestinal surgery in July 2006.

The younger Castro raised expectations of openings in the state-controlled economy with his reported fascination with Chinese-style capitalism, calls for unspecified “structural changes,” and acknowledgment that government wages averaging \$19 a month do not satisfy basic needs.

He also encouraged Cubans to open a fearless and critical debate, as long as they remember that the final decisions will be made by the island’s Communist leaders.

“That way we reach decisions, and I’m talking about big decisions,” he told student leaders in December 2006.

Many Cubans want to hear more such talk from their next leader. Inspired by Raul, some leading Cuban cultural figures have called recently for dropping onerous visa requirements and other limits on their freedoms, a message that resonates with ordinary Cubans.

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CAMPUS | HOUSING

Locked down in Stevenson

University shootings prompt additional security in dorm

By Jessica Leggin
Staff Reporter

A new lock system is in popular demand for Stevenson Hall.

Now, more locks will be added.

“The extra locks are for safety issues,” said Michael Andrews, a junior industrial technology major.

Stevenson is the only residence hall on campus with open access that does not call for a key, except to the actually dorm room itself.

“Any student, any person in the community can have access to go to the elevator and go to any floor,” said Michelle Hopper, complex director for Stevenson Hall.

Hopper said the reason for the open access is the freedom associated with Stevenson.

“With the new locks added, this can provide a safety and security the other halls have to offer in their buildings,” she said.

After the Virginia Tech shooting on April 16, 2007, Stevenson Hall Council of last year proposed the idea of locks being added in the hall.

“There has been conversation for years why Stevenson is not keyed off,” Hopper said.

She said last year in April the conversation started to spark.

“This issue hit home with residents a little bit more,” Hopper said.

Andrews, who is also president of the student hall council, said this issue is all about safety.

“You have to start changing how the campus is run,” Andrews said.

Last year’s Stevenson Hall Council voted to have the stairwell and elevator locked off.

Hopper said the plan did not go into motion because of the cost for things such as new doors and chords for elevators.

Hopper said now the changes are being planned, and the cost is just under \$75,000.

“The options we gave the students are already in motion,” she said.

The students of hall council had two options.

Strict access was the first.

This idea would only allow residents to have access to their floor only.

Communal access was second.

This would allow residents within the building to have access to any floor.

The council voted for the communal access.

“This will allow the residents to still float from floor to floor to visit friends, but provides safety also,” Hopper said.

Mark Hudson, director of university housing and dining services, said he is comfortable with this decision.

“It will still be another layer of security,” he said.

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EIU WEATHER

WEDNESDAY  21° 18° Mostly Sunny NNE 5-10 mph	THURSDAY  23° 16°	WEATHER BRIEF Today will be mostly sunny with a daytime high in the low 20's. Tonight the overnight low will drop as low as the high 10's. Expect light to moderate snow to start falling in our area tomorrow morning.
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ENTERTAINMENT | A DAILY LOOK

Pink and motocross racer Hart call it quits

The Associated Press

NEW YORK — Pink and motocross racer Carey Hart have separated after two years of marriage.

"This decision was made by best friends with a huge amount of love and respect for one another," said Pink's representative, Michele Schweitzer. "While the marriage is over, their friendship has never been stronger."

Pink, whose real name is Alecia Moore, met Hart at the 2001 X Games in Las Vegas and proposed to him four years later during a race in Mammoth Lakes, Calif. They were married Jan. 7, 2006, in Costa Rica.

Martha Stewart to pay \$50 million for cookbooks

NEW YORK — Martha Stewart Living Omnimedia Inc. is bringing in a new celebrity: popular TV chef Emeril Lagasse.

The New York-based media and

merchandising company founded by domesticity maven Martha Stewart announced Tuesday that it bought the rights to the Emeril Lagasse franchise of cookbooks, television shows and kitchen products for \$45 million in cash and \$5 million in stock at closing. The final price could rise to up to \$70 million if certain benchmarks are achieved.

Martha Stewart did not acquire Emeril's Homebase, which includes Lagasse's 11 restaurants and corporate office. Lagasse remains the host of the Food Network's "Essence of Emeril," but the Food Network channel ceased production of "Emeril Live" late last year, though it continues to air new episodes in 2008.

In a statement released Tuesday, the Food Network said, "We are happy to see that these two great brands will be combining forces and wish both of them the best. All of Emeril's shows will remain on the

network, and we also look forward to working with him on future projects."

Martha Stewart Living said the deal will "contribute immediately to our performance," adding \$8 million in earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization.

'American Idol' songs to be available on iTunes

CUPERTINO, Calif. — "American Idol" fans will be able to download their favorite performances thanks to a new agreement between the Fox talent show and Apple Inc.

Performances by "Idol" semifinalists go on sale on iTunes this week for 99 cents per song, the show's producers and Cupertino-based Apple announced Monday.

Full video of the top 12 contestants will be available through the online music store starting March 11 for \$1.99. The songs and videos will be posted to iTunes the day after the

PHOTO OF THE DAY

Soup for a cause



BRYCE PEAKE | THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

Students participated on both sides of HOPE's Bowl for Hope soup dinner. The dinner was a collaborative project. Many groups and agencies from Eastern and the community attempted to raise money Tuesday night for the organization's crusade against domestic violence.

WHAT THE... | WEIRD, UNEXPECTED, BIZARRE NEWS

Colorado couple uses fake \$100 to rip off Girl Scouts

The Associated Press

WESTMINSTER, Colo. — A pair of con artists ripped off a Girl Scout group when they exchanged a fake \$100 bill for cookies, police said.

The unknown couple handed over the bill Friday night at a supermarket, telling the girls it had been washed when asked about why it looked so strange.

"It felt and looked wrong and it was a quarter of an inch shorted than a \$1 bill," said Jil Hennessey-Seabolt, the cookie director for Junior Girl Scouts Troop 2121.

Hennessey-Seabolt said the Girl Scouts gave the couple \$93.50 in change after the purchase.

The exchange eradicated the Scouts' earnings that day.

The money they raise in the sales goes to camping trips and to area charities.

"Something like this isn't fair when it happens to adults, but when it happens to kids who work so hard, it's so frustrating," Hennessey-Seabolt said.

The story does have a happy ending, though.

A resident donated \$100 to the Girl Scouts.

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• **Calendar** - Dennews.com's weekly calendar lists events in the Charleston/Mattoon area. Visitors can also add their own events to the calendar, informing the community of what is going on in the area.

• **Slideshow** - Last night "Bowls for Hope" raised money for victims of domestic violence. To check out a slideshow for the event, go to DENnews.com.

CAMPUS | DONATIONS

Lending a helping hand

Eastern students, organizations offer to aid Union University

By Rick Kambic
Student Government Reporter

President Bill Perry wants the Eastern community to help Union University in Jackson, Tenn.

On Thursday, Perry sent an e-mail to the university community, urging students and faculty to take part in the student-run relief effort for the university.

Three-fourths of Union University's on-campus housing was destroyed during the tornado on Feb. 5.

"Eastern Illinois University has an opportunity to come to the aid of one of our partner higher education institutions in a time of great need," Perry said.

Perry said more than \$40 million in damages happened.

Students no longer have clothing, bedding and toiletries.

"Now is our time to lend a helping hand," Perry said. "Orientation, Student Government and Greek Life are asking us to donate items needed by Union University."

Rich Higginbotham, student vice president for student affairs, was responsible for persuading Perry to encourage employees to help.

Higginbotham and two other students from the One Campus, One Community program organized this event last week.

"Due to the circumstances and what school we were helping, he was all for (sending the e-mail) and he wasn't hesitant about why we were doing it," Higginbotham said.

Higginbotham and others are collecting donated items such as clothing, sheets, pillows, shampoo, toothpaste, school supplies and nonperishable food items.

Amanda Raz, a relief effort organizers, was thankful for Perry's support.

"We really appreciate the help he gave us in supporting us and getting out the word," Raz said. "It would have been tough to do this without him in such short of time."

The orientation office donated a few winter jackets and several boxes of non-perishable foods, Raz said.

Higginbotham did drop off donation bags to Charleston residents Thursday morning but said he has yet to receive a donation from the community.

However, several community members have contacted him with aspirations to donate, he said.

"Considering that we've been gone for three days and that we still have information going out, I think we'll have a good turnout in the last few days," Raz said.

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WHEN CAN I DONATE?

• Donations for the aid of the Union University students will be accepted from 8 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. today in the Student Life Office.

BOOTH LIBRARY | EXHIBIT

SPEAKING A THOUSAND WORDS

Controversial and stirring photos discussed at panel

By Sara Cuadrado
Campus Reporter

Journalism professor Doug Lawhead had to fight back his emotions when he began speaking about the Pulitzer Prize-winning photo of a victim from the 1995 Oklahoma City bombing.

The photo showed firefighter Chris Fields carrying young child Baylee Almon, who later died of injuries from the bomb.

This image, alongside other famed news photos, was showcased in "True Stories Behind Great Images" last night in Booth Library.

Lawhead and fellow journalism professors Brian Poulter and Peter Voelz spoke about the background behind many infamous and Pulitzer Prize-winning photographs.

Lawhead said he started to choke up because he could relate to the scene in the child's photo.

"I've sat next to a one-year-old and watched him die," Lawhead said.

He said he tells his students being a photojournalist is a fun job but parts of it are "not so cool."

Some photos are so moving, they incite change, Poulter said.

Stanley Foreman's 1976 Pulitzer Prize winning photograph of people falling when a fire escape collapsed in Boston during a fire resulted in a change for fire escape laws.

Lawhead said the pictures can make a story real.

He spoke about a famous photo, published in 2004, which showed rows of coffins containing soldiers who had died in Iraq and their bod-



NORA MABERRY | THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

Photojournalism professor Brian Poulter shares how a Speed Graphic camera was used to capture the 1942 Pulitzer Prize winning photograph "Ford Strikers Riot" by Milton Brooks.

ies being taken home.

Lawhead said the photos of the coffins made people realize death tolls better than a story could.

"Numbers are hard to comprehend, but when you see that image, it's easier to comprehend," Lawhead said.

He said many people do not know that the Pentagon had a policy in place banning photographs of flag-draped coffins that were being transported back to their families.

When the photo was published, Tami Silico, the photographer, and her husband were both fired from their job at Maytag Aircraft.

But losing a job because of a controversial photo is not the worst thing to happen to photographers.

Voelz shared that when Kevin Carter won the Pulitzer Prize in 1994 for his photo of a Sudanese child struggling on her way to a food station with a vulture in the background, many thought it was a great photo.

After a while, people began to question whether the photographer could have saved the child.

Carter said he chased the vulture away but then left – without knowing the fate of the girl.

The criticism became so hard for him to take that he committed suicide just two months after winning the Pulitzer, Voelz said.

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CAMPUS | FACULTY SENATE

Electronic or not, elections go on

Senate addresses ballot concerns at meeting

By Brittini Garcia
Faculty Senate Reporter

Faculty Senate elections will go on regardless if the ballots are placed electronically or on paper.

Faculty Senate debated the election issue at Tuesday's meeting in Mary J. Booth Library Conference Room 4440. Elections are slated to start March 26 and 27.

"It's clear we simply do not have time; we have to pursue because election has to happen," said Faculty Senate Chair Lynne Curry.

The senate's election committee is working with Information Technology Services to outsource different voting processes for this year's senate elections. The elections will fill 22 different positions on the senate.

"Older software that allowed us to vote electronically is not available this year," said Elections Committee Chair Ann Brownson. "Because the software caused a problem last year, we are talking about outsourcing to several online election services."

Curry asked the senate to have a follow-up meeting to discuss which voting process is appropriate to use.

Other concerns were raised about elections at the meeting as well.

Senate member Bud Fischer is concerned with technology corrupting names on ballots and coding people incorrectly.

Brownson said ITS is working on this and will pay for the software.

"Needless to say, I am concerned, but they said they can do this," Brownson said.

Curry wants a decision to be made quickly when choosing the voting method. Some members do not feel comfortable using electronic voting.



BRYCE PEAKE | THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

Jeanyne Snyder and Lynne Curry listen as a member of Faculty Senate speaks during the senate meeting Tuesday afternoon in Mary J. Booth Library.

"I'm concerned that the election gets done, not on how the technology will work," Curry said. "I am not opposed to going back to paper and pencil."

Next week's meeting will address the reasons behind using and not using the electronic voting process.

Brownson also asked the senate to encourage faculty within their departments to run for positions.

Also at the meeting, the senate approved a letter sending out support and solidarity to the Northern Illinois University campus community.

The letter will be sent to NIU President John G. Peters.

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CAMPUS BRIEFS

Film festival welcomes student contributions

Students interested in creating their own movie for the April 5 Student Film Festival must attend today's meeting at 9 p.m. in the Oakland Room of the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union.

Movies can be no longer than 20 minutes. The first-place winner's movie will be in a national film showcase. Winner will receive a \$250 gift certificate to Wal-Mart. The second- and third-place winners will receive a \$150 and \$100 gift certificate to Wal-Mart.

Contact Nick Gracyalny at 581-5522 or Matt Feely at 581-3117 for more information.

Free opportunity to view lunar eclipse

Students and community members can view tonight's lunar eclipse from 7 to 9 p.m. at Eastern's observatory tower, located north of the intramural baseball fields. Admission is free. Contact James Conwell at 581-3220 for more information.

Student Government to send card to NIU

The only agenda item for tonight's student government meeting is a resolution to buy and sign a card for the Student Association of Northern Illinois University. The card will provide moral support after the Feb. 14 shooting on NIU's campus that killed six people.

Leah Petraszewski, student vice president for business affairs, suggested the idea.

— Compiled by Associate News Editor Stephen Di Benedetto and Student Government Reporter Rick Kambic

BLOTTER

• It was reported Thursday a car was struck and damaged by another vehicle while parked in the Andrews Hall lot.

• A report of possession of cannabis reported Feb. 13 was referred to the Judicial Affairs Office.

• A report of possession of cannabis reported Feb. 16 was referred to the Judicial Affairs Office.

CORRECTIONS

On Page 3 of Tuesday's edition, Alan Baharlou's name was misspelled in a cutline on a photo in Tuesday's edition.

On Page 6 of Tuesday's edition, The College of Education and Professional Studies research fair was held in Buzzard Hall.

On Page 6 of Tuesday's edition, the Charleston City Council was considering an ordinance to create a historic district in Charleston.

The DEN regrets the errors.

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ARE WE DESENSITIZED?

U. Utah – Northern Illinois University experienced a tragedy last Thursday. A gunman shot 21 people, killing five, before shooting himself. Like many other mass shootings that have occurred at an alarmingly increased rate, we are left to mourn the loss of lives and innocence without the answer to an eternally asked question – why?

Everyone remembers the inability to escape from the ever-flowing fountain of information that the media brought to us regarding Virginia Tech. It was just a year ago that we were shocked as a community by the shooting at Trolley Square.

Virginia Tech and Trolley Square will be embedded in our recollection of history forever, but it feels as though the increasing regularity of these events has made us jaded to the point that the shooting at NIU was but a hiccup on the Richter scale.

An abundance of nationwide vigils were held in remembrance of victims of previous shootings. We responded to Virginia Tech with a vigil – attended by a number of local media outlets – where light piano music played while students wearing memorial ribbons could walk around and view pictures of the departed. Later, we established a security task force to determine if we could make our students safer from violence on campus.

Where is the vigil now? Across the country, more students have died at the hands of one of their peers, but there is no piano, no pictures and no new word from the task force.

Are we that desensitized to events like these that five deaths are but a blip on the scale of what we are willing to mourn and pay tribute to? Or do we, perhaps, just want to ignore what has happened because to deal with another loss is too big a burden to handle?

From one group of students to another, we at *The Daily Utah Chronicle* would like to say that we regret the pain and great losses those at NIU have had to experience.

We mourn your tragedy as though it were our own, and we stand by your side in spirit.

Staff editorial
The Daily Utah Chronicle

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Drawn from the news | Chris Lee



STAFF EDITORIAL

'What if this happened to us?'

After an EF-4 tornado ravaged a college campus in Jackson, Tenn., on Feb. 5, students from Eastern saw a call to take action.

At 7 p.m. on that unfortunate Tuesday, Union University's campus suffered \$40 million in damages and approximately 300 students were without a place to sleep after the tornado wrecked their residence halls. Of the 42 buildings on campus, the tornado did major damage to 19 of them and minor damage to 12.

Instead of attending class the following Wednesday, students were contacting the Federal Emergency Management Agency to claim damages to their personal belongings. Some had to call their parents' homeowners insurance agencies and their car insurance companies.

Students had no money and no identification. It's not like they could just go to the store and buy back everything they had lost. These students needed help.

So three Eastern students – Amanda Raz, Tim Cocagne and Rich Higginbotham – realized this could have happened to any student on any campus. A tornado could have just as easily hit Eastern.

Union's administration hurried to set up adjunct housing for the mass amounts of displaced students. Three hundred students were housed at an inn owned and operated by a local church.

These students' lives have been turned upside down. They have nowhere to live.

Some only had the clothes on their backs after the tornado. They are in need. Three students from Eastern realized the urgency of their situation, so they took the initiative to make a difference and reach out to students just like us.

Raz, Cocagne and Higginbotham decided to collect donations for the students who did not have bedding, clothing, food or toiletries after the tornado struck. If something like this happened at Eastern, we would want someone to do the same for us.

Union students planned to start their classes two days ago, and at least 300 of the 3,300 students enrolled lost their school supplies.

"When (Cocagne) brought this tragedy to my attention, all I could think of was, what if this happened to us? I know that other students and universities would join together to help us out, and we wanted to do the same for them," Raz said.

The Eastern students are working independently to gather donations. While their efforts are not affiliated with any groups on campus, they have the support of many organizations, like Residence Hall Association, the Office of Orientation,

OUR VIEW

• **Situation:** Three Eastern students are collecting tornado relief donations for a Tennessee university.

• **Stance:** These students show how easy it is to reach out to people in need. More students should follow this lead.

tion, One Campus, One Community and Student Government.

"We could not do this without the support from all of the EIU students, faculty and staff," Raz said.

As of Tuesday afternoon, the three had collected 10 boxes. Thanks to these three individuals' initiatives, Union's campus will have more supplies to get students' lives back on track.

Raz said to begin the tornado relief project, they started with an idea and "a drive to help the students."

They then contacted Dan Nadler, associ-

ate vice president for student affairs, along with President Bill Perry, to help get the word out to students and fac-

ulty about the project. They immediately printed out fliers and, despite their time constraints, talked to as many organizations as possible to gain more support.

"Now we are going around and collecting donations when needed and thanking everyone for the support that they have provided to Union University," Raz said.

All it took was the effort of three people to make a difference. A family from Effingham donated a truck to the cause so the boxes of donations make it all the way to Tennessee.

The students from Union University will receive the donations by Thursday, and they will be that much closer to returning to normalcy.

It's going to take a while. But with the efforts of three Eastern students, along with everyone who participated in donating items, the students at Union can sleep on donated bed sheets, brush their teeth with donated toothbrushes and toothpaste and take notes in classes that have just resumed on donated notebooks with donated pens.

These three students proved that it doesn't take much to make a difference. All it takes is some drive and some organization.

Imagine if more than three students drove this project. These students and those who participated in donating showed their support for students just like us in a time of crisis – and for that, they should be praised.

The last opportunity to donate is today at 4:30 p.m. in the Office of Orientation in the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union.

"Thanks to these three individuals' initiatives, Union's campus will have supplies to get students' lives on track."



JOHN STROMSKI

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by Nietzsche

The Northern Illinois University shootings were unmistakably a horrific event for all colleges across the nation, even more so for the students of NIU, and even more so for the people directly affected by this atrocity.

I am 100 percent for: increased gun control laws, increased preventive measures of universities and a continual search for trying to find out a motive for the event.

This event has compelled several laws and actions to be considered and possibly implemented so that such events will not happen again.

However, there is one action being considered that I don't support it at all.

That is the banning of teachings by Nietzsche, particularly his book, "The Anti-Christ."

It is reported that Nietzsche's book "The Anti-Christ" was left by the gunman in a package intended for his girlfriend. Since then, people have been quick to condemn the book, making the book guilty by association, and claiming it may have even inspired or compelled the gunman.

With the police still unsure about the gunman's motive, people are desperate to search for any reason why, and this book has been damned as a result.

I am against banning books in any situation, but banning this one as a causal result of what happened last Thursday isn't the right thing to do, will not erase what happened and will not positively prevent future occurrences.

Nietzsche was one of the world's great philosophers and has inspired countless people throughout history and helped them along their paths to understanding and enlightenment in some form, and some of this inspiration has undoubtedly come from this book as well.

Also, I don't understand why so much blame is being put on this book when numerous news sources are reporting the gunman may have tried to dissuade police from finding his motive. He may have tried to cover his tracks, namely by destroying the hard drive in his computer and removing the SIM card from his cell phone. Perhaps leaving this book behind was also an attempt to throw investigators through a loophole.

I must admit that I have not read this book, but I have read other works by Nietzsche and have found them useful and helpful to myself as an individual. I would argue that I have bettered myself by having done so.

Although I have not read this work, I still would like to one day, along with others of this philosopher's works.

I understand that some parts of this book can be misinterpreted, but the same can be said of any work of literature, including the Bible.

Banning this book, though, is not the answer, and would be detrimental to society as a whole.

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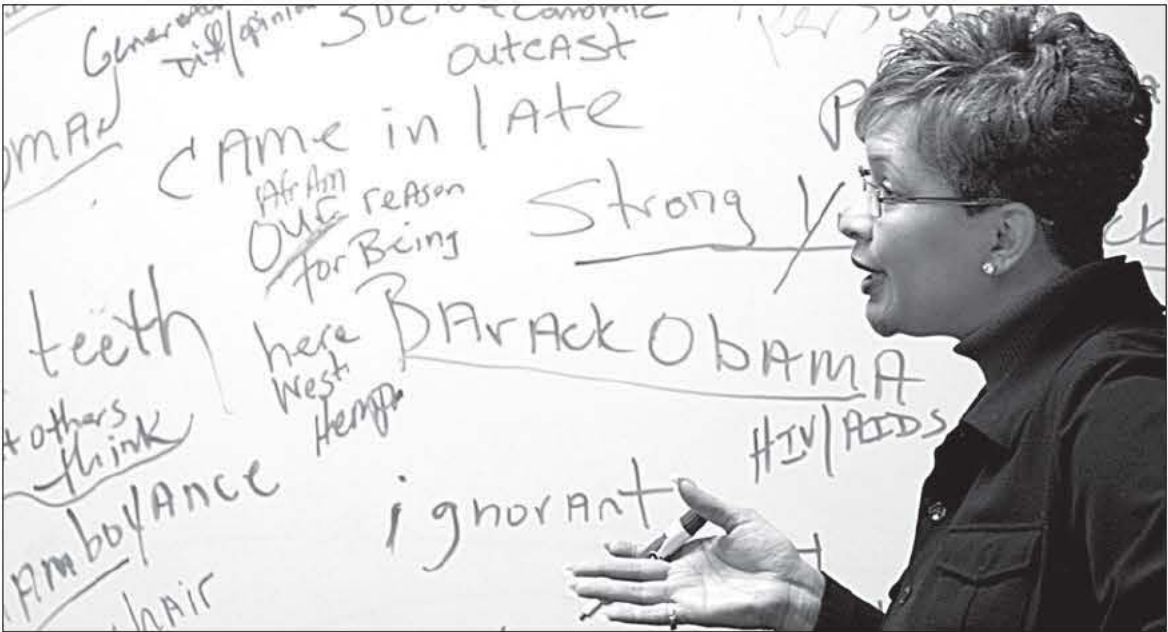
Panel discusses controversial word

Interpretation of infamous noun is key to understanding

By Krista Henery
Staff Reporter

For Jantelle Horton, the “N” word is nothing more than a word that fulfills the meaning of cruelty. While some people use the word as a part of their vocabulary, Horton, president of Eastern’s chapter of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, believes it is always unacceptable. “I’ll never get immune to this word and whenever I hear it, it makes me sad,” Horton said. “I don’t know how anyone could ever get immune to such a cruel word.” Questions about where the word “nigger” came from and what separates the meaning of the word were discussed last night at the “The ‘N’ word, friend or foe” panel discussion as part of African-American History Month, held in the Charleston-Matroom Room of the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union. According to the “Abolish the ‘N’ word” Web site, the term is taken

from the Latin word “Niger” or the French word “Negre”, both meaning “black.” When used as a noun, it means “black person.” The “N” word was documented as first used in the 1700s to refer to slave masters’ hate toward slaves. Shawn Peoples, assistant director of Judicial Affairs, began the presentation asking the audience to imagine what they saw when she said the word “nigger.” When asked the audience about their thoughts, responses like “black person,” “Barack Obama,” “gold teeth” and “ignorant” were announced. One audience member said she viewed it negatively when associated with the word “ignorant,” while others said it could be viewed positively when Obama is associated with it. Amanda Bush, president of Eastern’s chapter of the National Pan-Hellenic Council, said even though blacks use the word toward each other, it should not be used if they do not want to hear it from someone else. “We shouldn’t use the word around people if we don’t want it to be repeated,” Bush said. “It’s like you wouldn’t say a swear word in front



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Shawn Peoples, assistant director of Judicial Affairs, asks the audience about what words come to mind while watching a short video during the “The ‘N’ word, friend or foe” lecture Tuesday evening in the Union.

of a kid if you didn’t want them to repeat it.” Peoples ended the presentation by using the word in different ways to determine whether the “N” word would be considered to be used in a “friend” or “foe” way. When Peoples said “Nigga, you trippin’,” the audience responded it was a “friend” way. However, when Peoples said: “We don’t want any niggers in here,” the audience determined the meaning of the word was used in a “foe” way. Bush believes the word itself may not always have a negative influence. “It’s not always the word itself,” she said. “It’s how it’s used in a sentence and the words surrounding it that determines the meaning and effectiveness of the word to others.” Krista Henery can be reached at 581-7942 or at knhenery@eiu.edu.

CITY | GOVERNMENT

Council places historical district proposal on file

Final vote on ordinance to take place March 4

By Matt Hopf
City Editor

As expected, the proposed historic district on Sixth and Seventh streets was placed on file for public inspection. The Charleston City Council placed the proposal on file after the district was introduced at last night’s meeting.



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Charleston City Council member Lorelei Sims shares a laugh with board members on Tuesday.

Most properties on the two streets between the university and

the courthouse square would be part of the district. The ordinance would require residents in the district to receive a certificate of appropriateness from the Historic Preservation Commission. Any work that requires a building permit on a property within the district would need a certificate from the commission. The proposal could be voted on at the March 4 meeting. Mayor John Inyart originally asked for a vote to take place at the March 18 meeting. Inyart questioned whether residents who did not want to be in the district could get their property removed. City Attorney Brian Bower said properties could not be picked and chosen. If the council approves the district, the only way to remove property from the district would be if the council rescinded the ordinance and approved a new district. Council member Larry Renels questioned whether the council could accept or reject parts of the district or just vote on the submitted district from the commission. A modified proposal would not

have to return to the commission, Bower said. Inyart said he wanted to make sure the application process was streamlined and efficient. Council member Lorelei Sims previously lived in Glen Ellyn where there was a historic district. She said she never saw a “district take away from a community.” Public comment was given in favor and opposition to the district at the end of the meeting as two public hearings were held earlier. Matt Hopf can be reached at 581-7945 or mthopf@eiu.edu.

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» **Stevenson**

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Residents will still be able to use the study lounge and kitchenette on the 10th floor. Hopper said Housing and Dining services was very good about letting the residents make the decision.

Hudson said it is good to have students participating in their community.

Locks will also be installed in the stairwells, and doors will be reconfigured, Hudson said.

If a building has five or more stories, stairwell doors cannot be locked in the case of a fire, according to state law.

"So now the doors will have to automatically unlock," Hudson said.

Hudson said everything should be set for Stevenson by fall semester.

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MARK HUDSON

DIRECTOR OF UNIVERSITY HOUSING AND DINING SERVICES

"It will still be another layer of security."

» **Shiley**

FROM PAGE 1

Eastern students have served in Iraq, but there are no Eastern students who are illegal immigrants, Shiley said.

Ryan Kerch, junior biology major and UB lectures coordinator, said the turnout was a disappointment but said everyone that came got something out of it.

Doris Nordin, of Charleston, came to the discussion to learn more about immigration.

Nordin is from Monterrey, Mexico and has lived in the United States for six years.

Nordin said while living and working in a big city in Mexico, she was not aware of the immigration problems. She married an American man and came to the United States.

She said since coming to the United States she has learned more about the issue.

Nordin said she now knows illegal immigrants.

"I know their stories," Nordin said. "I know their fears."

She said she knows why they are here, too.

"I'd love to see them working,

not like slaves, but like you and me," Nordin said.

Shiley's main point was that immigration is all about money.

Nordin agreed with him on this point but said his film was a "bit limited" in what he showed. The discussion afterward explained the issue of immigration more, she said.

Shiley said he incorporated "South Park" clips, YouTube clips and creative, outrageous characters with the hope that people will keep one or two of the facts from the film.

Shiley said his film was about solutions.

Shiley said it is rare to have a lot of controversy regarding his films.

He said he has only had two flare-ups, one in Portland with liberals and one in Charleston with conservatives.

He said he would never make the radicals on either side happy because he thinks he makes his films balanced.

"I hope people who came tonight realize that these black-and-white issues are not so black-and-white," Shiley said.

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MIKE SHILEY'S FOUR STEP SOLUTION

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2. Pathway to legalization
3. Guest worker program
4. Economic development in Latin America

» **Castro**

FROM PAGE 1

"This is what we needed. I hope to God people have more freedom – the freedom to have opinions and always speak their minds," 37-year-old Lydis Perez said after dropping her son off at school. "People talk in the hallways or the back rooms. ... There's a lot of fear."

Fidel Castro, however, insisted in his resignation letter Tuesday that he won't disappear – or stay quiet if he sees his revolution going astray.

"This is not my farewell to you," he wrote. "My only wish is to fight as a soldier in the battle of ideas. I shall continue to write under the title, 'Reflections of Comrade Fidel.' It will be another weapon you can count on. Perhaps my voice will be heard."

As the Council of State's first vice president, Raul Castro has been his brother's constitutionally designated successor for decades, so the big question is who will take his place as No. 2 on Sunday when the National Assembly selects Cuba's new leadership.

A leading candidate is Lage, the de-facto prime minister, who, at 56 a full generation younger than the Castros.

A less likely possibility could emerge from a handful of leaders in their 30s and 40s, such as For-

eign Minister Felipe Perez Roque, whose Communist fervor earned them the collective nickname of "Young Talibans."

While no less loyal to the elder Castro, Lage was the architect of reforms that saved the island from economic collapse in the early 1990s. His moves allowed foreign investment in state enterprises, a measure of self-employment, and legal use of the U.S. dollar.

Raul Castro appears to get along with Lage, who is a quiet, pragmatic organizer like himself. Raul backed Lage's earlier reform proposals, especially farmers markets where excess crops are sold at market prices.

But both Lage and Raul Castro say any change will not be at the expense of socialism. And Lage has dampened hopes that Cuba would follow China and Vietnam in allowing capitalist markets to thrive.

Raul also has championed the concept of closer ties to the United States, offering again and again to discuss normalizing relations with Washington. But the Bush administration ruled that out Tuesday, deriding Raul Castro as "Fidel Lite."

That means that the nearly five-decade U.S. embargo of Cuba will remain in place for the known future – frustrating both Cubans and many Americans who see much potential in trade with the island.



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ELECTION 2008 | PRIMARIES

Obama, McCain take Wisconsin

The Illinois senator beats Clinton 9th again in Wisconsin

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Barack Obama won the Wisconsin primary Tuesday night, his ninth straight triumph over a fading Hillary Rodham Clinton in their epic struggle for the Democratic presidential nomination.

Obama cut deeply into Clinton's political bedrock, splitting the support of white women almost evenly with the former first lady and running well among working class voters in a blue collar battleground, according to polling place interviews.

The economy and trade were key issues in the race, and seven in 10 voters said international trade has resulted in lost jobs in Wisconsin. Fewer than one in five said trade has created more jobs than it has lost.

McCain won the Republican primary, with ease, dispatching former Arkansas Gov. Mike Huckabee and edging closer to the 1,191 delegates he needs to clinch the nomination at the party convention in St. Paul, Minn. next summer.

The Associated Press made its calls based on surveys of voters as they left the polls.

In a scarcely veiled attack on Obama, the Republican nominee-in-waiting said, "I will fight every moment of every day in this campaign to make sure that Americans are not deceived by an eloquent but empty call for change."

Independents cast about one-quarter of the ballots in the race between Obama and Clinton, and roughly 15 percent of the electorate were first-time voters, the survey said.

Obama has run strongly among independents in earlier primaries, and among younger voters, and cited their support as evidence that he would make a stronger general election candidate in the fall.

Wisconsin offered 74 nation-

CURRENT DELEGATES

Republicans:

- John McCain: 894
- Mike Huckabee: 217
- Number required to win the nomination: 1,191

Democrats:

- Barack Obama: 1,283
- Hillary Clinton: 1,226
- Number required to win the nomination: 2,025

al convention delegates. There were 20 delegates at stake in caucuses in Hawaii, where Obama spent part of his youth.

Obama began the night with 1,281 delegates in the AP count, and Clinton with 1,218. It takes 2,025 to win the nomination at the party's national convention in Denver.

Obama began the evening with eight straight primary and caucus victories, a remarkable run that has propelled him past Clinton in the overall delegate race and enabled him to chip away at her advantage among elected officials within the party who will have convention votes as super-delegates.

The Democrats' focus on trade was certain to intensify, with primaries in Ohio in two weeks and in Pennsylvania on April 22.

Obama's campaign has already distributed mass mailings critical of Clinton on the issue in Ohio.

"Bad trade deals like NAFTA hit Ohio harder than most states. Only Obama consistently opposed NAFTA," it said.

Obama was in Texas, which has primaries and caucuses on March 4, and Clinton was in Ohio as the votes were counted in Wisconsin.

"Both Senator Obama and I would make history," the former first lady said in remarks prepared for delivery at a rally in Youngstown. "But only one of us is ready on day one to be commander in chief, ready to manage our economy, and ready to defeat the Republicans."

The Associated Press

Oil jumps above \$100 on a refinery outage

NEW YORK — Oil futures shot higher Tuesday, closing above \$100 for the first time as investors bet that crude prices will keep climbing.

At the pump, gas prices rose further above \$3 a gallon.

There was no single factor behind oil's price jump; investors seized on an explosion at a 67,000 barrel per day refinery in Texas, the falling dollar, the possibility that OPEC may cut production next month and continuing tensions between the U.S. and Venezuela.

The Associated Press

Illinois politicians owe state \$348,000 in fines

SPRINGFIELD — Politicians owe Illinois \$348,000 in fines for filing their campaign records late, including the nearly \$35,000 tab of Republican Judy Baar Topinka's campaign to unseat Gov. Rod Blagojevich in 2006.

Topinka said she did not know until after the election that her campaign had been fined under the system, which penalizes candidates who don't follow the state's timetable of revealing how much money they had raised in contributions.

NATION BRIEFS

Beef industry, animal rights duel about video

DENVER — The cattle industry and animal rights groups bickered about the treatment of beef destined for U.S. dinner plates a day after secret video triggered the nation's largest meat recall.

Undercover video taken at the Westland/Hallmark Meat Co. of Chino, Calif., shows workers shocking, kicking and shoving debilitated cattle with forklifts, prompting the government to pull 143 million pounds of the company's beef.

The recall affects beef products dating to Feb. 1, 2006.

Supreme Court rejects Katrina insurance case

NEW ORLEANS — The nation's highest court dealt a blow Tuesday to property owners who want insurance companies to pay for damage from levee breaches after Hurricane Katrina, but the Louisiana Supreme Court is poised to tackle the issue later this month.

The U.S. Supreme Court declined to hear appeals from Xavier University and dozens of other Louisiana policyholders who sued several insurers for refusing to cover water damage from the levee breaches that flooded 80 percent of New Orleans.

STATE BRIEFS

Sentence delayed for former death row inmate

BELLEVILLE — A former Illinois death row inmate will have to wait a couple more months before learning whether he has a chance of being freed from prison.

Bobby Williams had been sentenced to death in the 1994 robbery and killing of 34-year-old clerk Sharon Bushong at a Belleville convenience store. But Williams' sentence eventually was commuted by former Governor George Ryan to life in prison without the prospect of parole. That hearing was to have been held Tuesday but was pushed back to April 14th.

\$10 million bond for man accused of burning sons

WHEATON — Prosecutors say they're satisfied with a \$10 million cash bond imposed on a Glendale Heights man accused of setting his two young sons on fire.

One of the boys died last month. The other is still hospitalized with severe burns.

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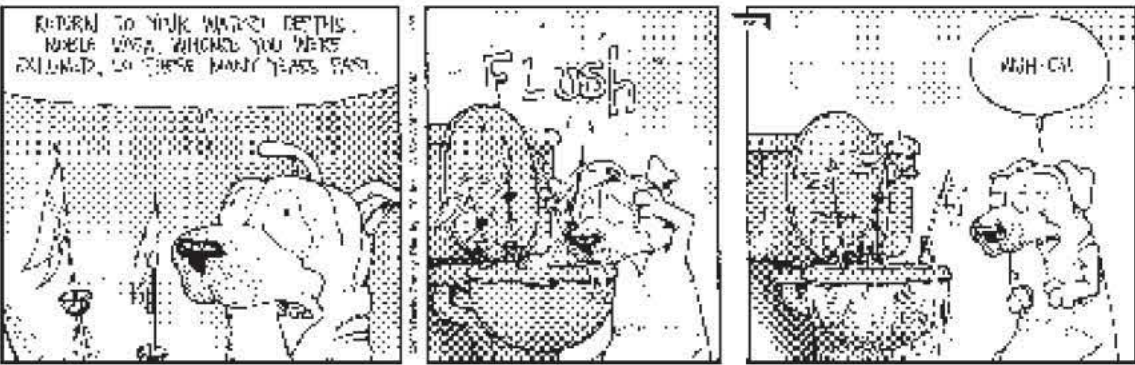
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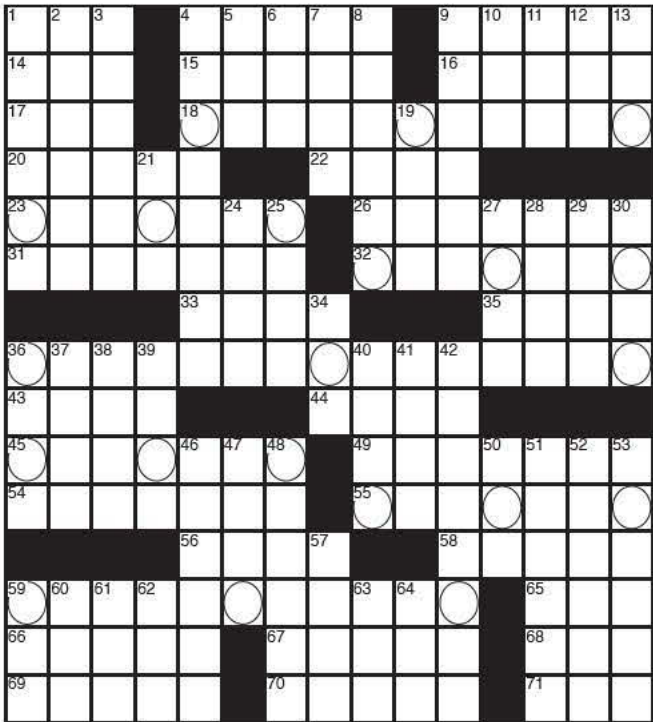


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No. 0109

- ACROSS
- 1 Vacation rental
 - 4 ___ Lama
 - 9 Paintball sound
 - 14 Boo follower
 - 15 "You know ... it's ... um ... like this ..."
 - 16 Watchmaker since 1848
 - 17 Extension
 - 18 Blindly
 - 20 Possible cause of a swelling
 - 22 Filmmaker Gus Van ___
 - 23 Have as a focus of one's studies
 - 26 Place for steamers
 - 31 Feeling
 - 32 Weekly founded by Walter Annenberg
 - 33 Cool guys
 - 35 "Would ___ to You?" (1985 Eurythmics hit)
 - 36 Club choice
 - 43 Neighbor on the 1980s sitcom "Mama's Family"
 - 44 Footprint or loose thread, perhaps
 - 45 People of Burundi
 - 49 All accounted for
 - 54 Customized
- DOWN
- 1 Challenges for daredevil motorcyclists
 - 2 Blood lines
 - 3 Actress Rebecca of "Ugly Betty"
 - 4 Ignominy
 - 5 Friend of François
 - 6 Part of a relay
 - 7 Relief reactions
 - 8 Unbroken
 - 9 "In America" novelist Susan
 - 10 Blair, Brown and others, in brief
 - 11 Winner at the Second Battle of Bull Run
 - 12 Bronze ___
 - 13 Bronze



PUZZLE BY JOHN FARMER

- 19 Runnin' Rebels of the N.C.A.A.
- 21 Squares and cubes, e.g.: Abbr.
- 24 "___ a Putty Tat" (Fritz Freleng short)
- 25 One of the Low Countries: Abbr.
- 27 Naturalist who appears on the California quarter
- 28 Vitriol
- 29 1998 Sarah McLachlan hit
- 30 Bit for a basket weaver
- 34 Half a mo
- 36 Skater Katarina
- 37 Jolly laugh
- 38 Sub in a tub
- 39 Bert who sang "If I Only Had the Nerve"
- 40 A first for Arabia?
- 41 Some people have trouble carrying one
- 42 Gets engaged to, old-style
- 46 Milk dispensers
- 47 Trillion: Prefix
- 48 Language family that includes Finnish and Hungarian
- 50 Hockey's Bobby
- 51 Blackened
- 52 Sister of Albus Dumbledore, in the Harry Potter books
- 53 Actress Laura
- 57 Part of a makeshift swing
- 59 Softhead
- 60 Med. insurance choice
- 61 Slip in a pot
- 62 Loon
- 63 Baseball's Hodges
- 64 1940s presidential initials.

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MEN'S AND WOMEN'S INDOOR TRACK | NOTEBOOK

Eruteya wins fourth OVC Field Athlete of the Week Award

By Dan Cusack
Sports Reporter

Senior jumper Obe Eruteya was named Ohio Valley Conference Field Athlete of the Week for the fourth time this season and the second time in three weeks.

Eruteya won the triple jump at the Iowa State Classic, this past weekend with a mark of 50 feet, 7.5 inches. He set the highest mark in the OVC this season and cleared the NCAA provisional mark for the triple jump. The NCAA provisional mark is 50 feet, 6.3 inches.

The provisional mark means he is now on a waiting list to see if he can compete at the NCAA National Championships from March 15-16 in Fayetteville, Ark.

"You have 90 teams there and you win an individual event, you're doing pretty good," said Eastern head track coach Tom Akers. "That is just an outstanding job by Obe."

On the women's team, the 1,600-meter relay team was chosen as Competitors of the Meet. It was the fifth-fastest time in school history (3 minutes, 52.5 seconds). This was the third-fastest time in the OVC this season.

Freshman pole-vaulter Joe Noonan was named Co-Competitor of the Week for the men. Noonan jumped 15 feet, 11 inches despite having to



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Sophomore Ian Winston jumps over the high jump bar at practice on Monday afternoon at Lantz Fieldhouse. Winston has won the Ohio Valley Conference Field Athlete of the Week award once this season.

wait one hour between warmups and his turn. He finished in a tie for 14th place.

Freshman hurdler Charay Savage was named Performer of the Meet.

Savage finished second in her heat and 26th overall in 8.87 seconds. It was the first time she broke nine seconds this season.

Team competes in final meet before conference

The Eastern men's and wom-

en's indoor track teams will host the EIU Friday Night Special on Friday at Lantz Fieldhouse. The event will begin at 2 p.m. with the women's weight throw, and will end with the 1,000-meter run starting at 9:10 p.m.

Akers said he knows some athletes who will be on the conference squad, but this meet will be the last chance for others to impress the coaching staff.

"Everyone has the opportunity to

step it up and have a big weekend; I cannot single out one person," Akers said. "I think everyone on our roster has the potential."

Sophomore thrower Kandace Arnold is using this meet to get confidence for the conference championships.

"Last weekend, I did not throw so well, so I just want to work on my footwork," Arnold said. "I want to go out and get a personal best so I have momentum going into next

weekend."

Akers said the coaches are looking for big weekends from those who rested last weekend.

"We need the crew that did not travel this weekend to step up and start taking some ownership," Akers said. "(We need) them to stand up and make the same statement as those who performed well last weekend."

Freshmen step up for both men's, women's squads

Often, freshmen come into college and waste a year because they feel they are "the low man or woman" on the totem pole – and it means less expectations, Akers said.

"Freshmen need to come in and take ownership right away," Akers said. "The sooner they do that, they can perform the way they are capable of doing."

Akers said Savage, Noonan and freshman runner Justin Helpingstine have all taken ownership and had great years so far this season.

"Helpingstine has just come in and made real big progress and has been big for us in middle distance," Akers said. "(Savage) has done the same thing in the hurdles, as well as (Noonan) in the pole-vault."

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» Cusack

FROM PAGE 12

If you have never been to a track meet, there is one word to describe them: busy.

From your seat overlooking the floor, four events may be going on at one time.

And while you might not know where to look at all times, there is always something exciting to watch.

Between competitive races around the track, you can watch the skill of the shot putters or the airborne acrobatics of pole-vaulters.

As you wait for a high jumper to start his or her approach, look beyond and watch the triple jumpers propel themselves through the air and land into the sand pit.

There is nothing more exciting than the starting gun going off and

seeing the hurdlers jumping on the way to the finish line.

Now, I do not expect students to sit around for seven hours, but if you come sit down for an hour or so, I am sure you will be entertained.

The men's program is one of the most successful in the school, with seven-straight OVC Indoor Track Championships, so you should go out and show support.

They have also won 10 of the last 11 conference championships. The women won their first indoor title last season.

Both teams can build upon Friday night's meet with your support, cheering them on.

Plus, the meet only lasts until 9 p.m. so there is plenty of time to go out and party afterwards.

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» Team

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She suffered a strained quadricep muscle in January while she was running.

"I think it was a good thing," she said. "It kind of set me back. It made me a little bit more humble. It set me back, but it was good in the long run."

Schuetz said Jacoby's injury has made the junior focus more on her mechanics.

"Whenever someone sits out, they appreciate that time a little bit more," she said. "That's made her stronger, mentally and physically."

Jacoby and Mackie are tied for seventh all-time in pitching appearances with 78.

Mackie, who relies upon a drop ball and changeup, led the team with wins last season (11). She also had a team-high 2.03 ERA.

"She just pitched," Jacoby said. "She threw strikes. She just hit her spots. The name of the game is movement. (She) pitches moving the ball and down everywhere."

Mackie's progressed each season at Eastern, and her ERA has decreased each season.

Last year's pitching staff combined for 253 strikeouts, which is second all-time in Eastern program history.

"We all complement each other," Mackie said.

The third pitcher is senior Ashley Robison. Robison, who was a pitcher in high school, saw limited action last year, and played mostly in the infield.

"Ashley's always been known to hit her spots," Jacoby said. "She's going to throw the ball inside. She's going to consistently throw strikes."

Robison made 16 appearances, with four starts last season.

She finished 2-4 and had one save. Robison pitched in high school and had 452 strikeouts as a senior. She pitched in a 27-inning game (a state record for the longest game played in one day) as a sophomore.

Eastern's fourth pitcher this season is freshman Taylor Lawson. Lawson, at 5 foot, 10 inches, is the team's tallest pitcher and second tallest player.

Schuetz said Lawson has good speed on her pitches but needs to work on ball placement.

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2008 SCHEDULE

Date	Opponent	Time
Friday	Central Arkansa^	Noon
Friday	N.D. State^	4pm
Saturday	Missouri State^	3pm
Saturday	Tulsa^	5pm
Sunday	Valparaiso^	9am
^ Tulsa Tourney in Tulsa, Okla.		
Feb. 29	Indiana@	Noon
Feb. 29	Marshall@	215pm
Mar. 1	Wright State@	945am
Mar. 1	Kentucky@	Noon
Mar. 2	Buffalo@	945am
Mar. 2	Jackson State@	Noon
@UT Chattanooga Classic in Chattanooga, Tenn.		
Mar. 5	vs. IUPUI (2)	4pm
Mar. 7	Fla. Gulf Coast#	10am
Mar. 7	Fla. Atlantic#	5pm
Mar. 8	BethuneCookman#	8am
Mar. 8	Towson#	10am
Mar. 9	Opponent TBD#	TBA
# FAU Miken Invitational in Boca Raton, Fla.		
Mar. 11	at Fla. Intrntnl (2)	3pm
Mar. 15	* at Tenn. State (2)	1pm
Mar. 16	* at Tenn. State	Noon
Mar. 18	at Ball State (2)	1pm
Mar. 21	* Austin Peay (2)	4pm
Mar. 22	* Austin Peay	1pm
Mar. 25	* at SE Missouri (2)	3pm
Mar. 27	Southern Ill. (2)	3pm
Mar. 29	* at UT-Martin (2)	1pm
Mar. 30	* at UT-Martin	1pm
Apr. 2	at Illinois (2)	4pm
Apr. 5	* Samford (2)	1pm
Apr. 6	* Samford	Noon
Apr. 10	at Butler (2)	1pm
Apr. 12	* Tenn. Tech (2)	1pm
Apr. 13	* Tenn. Tech	Noon
Apr. 15	at Indiana State	3pm
Apr. 16	at Saint Louis (2)	4pm
Apr. 19	* at Jacksonville State	1pm
Apr. 20	* at Jacksonville State	1pm
Apr. 23	* SE Missouri	5pm
Apr. 26	* at Morehead State (2)	Noon
Apr. 27	* at Morehead State	Noon
May 3	* Eastern Ky. (2)	1pm
May 4	* Eastern Ky.	Noon
* indicates Ohio Valley Conference games		
May 8	Start of OVC Tournament	

2008 SOFTBALL ROSTER

Name	Pos.	Yr.	No.
A. Robison	IF/P	Sr.	1
S. Militello	UTL	So.	2
L. Brackett	OF	So.	3
K. Holtz	UTL	Fr.	4
M. Nelson	OF	So.	5
D. Menzione	OF	So.	6
A. Nolte	C/3B	Sr.	7
T. Lawson	P/1B	Fr.	8
M. Jackson	1B/OF	Fr.	9
A. Danca	OF	Jr.	10
K. Jacoby	P	Jr.	11
K. Mackie	P/1B	Sr.	12
D. Seerup	C/UTL	So.	16
S. Coppert	2B	Jr.	17
R. Mackie	1B/OF	Sr.	19

PANTHER BRIEFS

Men's golf team finishes last

Eastern senior Mike Imburgia finished 12-over-par at the North Texas Classic in Puerto Vallarta, Mexico.

Imburgia's three-day total of 228 was the best among the Panthers and good enough for 44th place overall. The Effingham native shot a first-round 71 (-1), but followed it with rounds of 77 and 80.

Louisiana-Lafayette won the team title with a combined score of 848, which was 22 strokes better than second-place finisher California State-Northridge.

Eastern finished in last place, 87 strokes behind the Ragin' Cajuns.

FINAL STANDINGS

Team	Score
1. Louisiana-Lafayette	848
2. CSU-Northridge	870
3. New Orleans	872
4. SE Louisiana	873
5. Middle Tennessee St.	876
6. Colorado St.	878
7. Troy	884
8. North Texas	885
9. Washington	886
10. Missouri	894
10. Arkansas-Little Rock	894
12. Houston	899
13. Ball State	916
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to State athletic director, will be on campus March 3-4. Open interviews with Wanless are scheduled for 3:30 p.m. on March 3 in the Effingham Room and 10 a.m. on March 4 in the Martinsville Room in the Union.

Quincy Notre Dame athlete signs to play men's soccer

Quincy Notre Dame senior Grey Genenbacher signed a National Letter of Intent to play with Eastern men's soccer next season. Genenbacher finished his career with 58 goals and 22 assists.

Genenbacher finished his senior season with 18 goals and was an All-State Selection for the past two seasons.

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Schedules set for athletic director finalists' visits

The final three candidates for Eastern athletic director will visit campus in the next three weeks.

Vaughn Williams, associate director of athletics/facilities management and planning at Connecticut, will be at Eastern today and Thursday. Open sessions with Williams will be at 3 p.m. today in Room 3202 in the Booth Library and at 9:30 a.m. Thursday in the Charleston/Mat-

toon Room in the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union.

Jean Berger, associate athletic director for student services and senior woman administrator at Drake, will visit Eastern on Monday and Tuesday. Open interview sessions with Berger are scheduled for 2:30 p.m. on Feb. 25 and 9:30 a.m. on Feb. 26 in the Effingham Room in the Union.

Dr. Terry Wanless, Sacramen-

» Arnold

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Arnold was able to defeat her head-to-head at the Indiana Relays on Feb. 1-2 in both the shot put and weight throw, something the Evergreen Park native said gave her confidence.

"On the finals day, she did not throw that well," Arnold said. "I am consistent, and she is not. As long as I stay consistent, I know I can beat her."

Arnold takes pride in her work ethic. She said that is a major difference this year compared to last year.

"Last year as a freshman, I was very lazy," Arnold said. "I didn't like to run. I was like, 'I am a thrower; why do I have to run?'"

Sophomore thrower Jaimee Phegley said she has seen major improvement in Arnold's work ethic from last season.

"Kandace is in a more elite group now," Phegley said. "She is much stronger in the weight room and can get through her workouts faster. There has been a major improvement in her numbers."

Phegley said Arnold is a great teammate who is willing to help out any thrower with their technique.

"We have so much fun with each other; that's why everyone likes going to practice," Phegley said. "She is always positive and in a good mood. She is always trying to keep everybody up."

Arnold said coming into this year she knew it would take hard work to compete with the elite throwers in the conference.

"I know all the work last year helped me win Freshman of the Year," Arnold said. "I want to be conference champion for both indoor and outdoor."

Arnold said much of her success is a result of her coach and her desire to win.

"Coach (Mary) Wallace is very important in my success, of course, and hard work," Arnold said. "I've worked much harder this season because I know what it's like to win, and I want to continue to win."

Arnold said she was not a competitive person until she began competing at the collegiate level.

"I was competitive to an extent, but when I got here, I realized I

could be a Division I champion," Arnold said. "I just want to keep winning."

Arnold first realized her talent as a sophomore at Evergreen Park High School.

Arnold was encouraged to join the team by a friend and had no idea what shot put was.

"The first day of practice the coach was like, 'throw this,' and I was like, 'OK,' and threw it farther than anyone on the team," Arnold said. "And I really did not know what I was doing, so I was like, 'I might be good at this.'"

Arnold played basketball in high school, and she only joined track to stay in shape.

"I wanted to play basketball and I was only doing track to keep my legs strong, and I ended up being better at track," Arnold said. "So, I just went with the flow."

Arnold said she is happy she chose track in favor of basketball.

"I love track; it's all me and my friends talk about," Arnold said. "I'm so glad I did it."

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Events

EIU Student Film Festival

Mandatory Informational Meeting

Interested in filmmaking?
Interested in rewards?

Wednesday, February 20 - 9:00p - Oakland Room

Register to Enter

the Battle of the Bands

Bring a brief band biography and sample music (if available) to the Student Activities Center on the second floor of the Union. 5 bands will be chosen to play 20 minutes at the Battle of the Bands March 5, and the winner will receive a \$100 gift certificate to Positively 4th Street Records and a chance to play at Pantherstock this Spring!

Please register before 4:00PM on Monday, Feb 25

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Cosmic Bowling / Live Music Extravaganza!

February 21st

8:00pm - 11:00pm

Union Bowling Lanes

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► Cosmic Bowling - \$1.50 / Game
Free Shoe Rental

► Free Food & Beverages
Popcorn / Smoothies

► Free Prizes & Giveaways

LIVE MUSIC!

Jackie Lawson and
the Black N Blue Band



NATIONAL SPORTS

COLLEGE BASKETBALL
No. 3 North Carolina at N.C. State |
6 tonight on ESPN

COLLEGE BASKETBALL
No. 24 Kansas State at Nebraska |
8 tonight on ESPN2

TRIPLE THREAT



Kim Schuette

Eastern's softball season is about to start. Eastern head coach Kim Schuette (above) is preparing the Panthers for the Holiday Inn Select Tulsa Festival this weekend in Tulsa, Okla.

The softball team was picked to finish eighth in the Ohio Valley Conference with six starters returning, three of which are pitchers.

Here are three of Eastern's top returning players this season.

1. Kathleen Jacoby — The junior pitcher from Beecher is ranked fourth all-time in strikeouts (271) and had 131 last season. She had 21 wins in her freshman season — an Eastern record — but had just nine wins last season. Jacoby was a Second Team All-OVC honoree in her freshman season and was also named to the OVC All-Newcomer team.

2. Sarah Coppert — The junior second baseman was the only Eastern player to start all 54 games last season. Coppert led the team with a .301 batting average and led the team with 17 doubles. The Maple Park native was named to the All-Tournament Team at last year's Tulsa Festival after hitting 7-for-20 with four doubles and four RBIs.

3. Karyn Mackie — Mackie has stepped up in big games. Mackie earned All-OVC Tournament honors during the 2006 season and was the winning pitcher in both of Eastern's OVC Tournament victories. The Wildwood, Mo., native was the winning pitcher in the program's first win against Illinois last season.

—Kevin Murphy



DAN CUSACK

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The most skilled and well-trained athletes at Eastern: present.

Defending men's and women's Ohio Valley Conference Indoor Champions: present.

You: Well, you too should be present.

This Friday is the last time this season to see the men's and women's indoor track team as they host the EIU Friday Night special this Friday at Lantz Fieldhouse.

This is the final meet for both teams before they head down to Nashville, Tenn., to compete in the OVC Indoor Championships.

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SOFTBALL | SEASON PREVIEW



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The Eastern softball team will be led by the depth of its pitchers. Senior Ashley Robison, left, junior Kathleen Jacoby, middle and senior Karyn Mackie are the three starters for this season. Robison made 16 appearances last season. Jacoby led the team in strikeouts and earned second-team honors from the Ohio Valley Conference as a freshman. Mackie earned OVC Tournament honors as a freshman and led the team last season in wins.

STRONG ARMS CARRY TEAM

Panthers will rely on veteran pitching staff

By Kevin Murphy
Associate Sports Editor

Eastern's depth this season is in its pitching.

The Panthers return three pitchers and have added another for the 2008 season, which begins Friday at the Tulsa Tournament in Tulsa, Okla.

Eastern finished 23-31 overall in what could be labeled a disappointing 2007 season that saw the team finish in ninth place in the Ohio Valley Conference.

The Panthers were selected to finish eighth in the league this season on Jan. 23.

Junior Kathleen Jacoby and senior Karyn Mackie are the Panthers' top two pitchers for the third straight year.

Jacoby, predominantly more of a power pitcher than Mackie, struggled her sophomore year and finished with a 9-15 record.

This year, she looks to repeat the efforts of her freshman season when she compiled a 21-12 record, the most wins by an Eastern pitcher since 1988.

She also sported a 2.36 ERA, had 140 strikeouts and earned Second Team All-OVC honors her freshman year.

"Jacoby's always been a great competitor," said Eastern head softball coach Kim Schuette. "She makes the ball move, and I think she's stronger

mentally this year and more confident than last year."

Mackie said if Jacoby stays strong mentally, the Panthers could win several more games.

Jacoby showed signs of her freshman strikeout prowess by recording 131 her sophomore year.

The Marian Catholic graduate enters this year fourth all-time in Eastern history in strikeouts with 271. But control was a factor for her last year. Jacoby's walk totals increased from 69 her freshman year to 90 her sophomore year.

"I was out to prove a point (during my freshman season) because a lot of colleges didn't recruit me," Jacoby said. "I kind of lost that edge my sophomore year. I just want to establish what kind of pitcher I am."

Jacoby, whose repertoire mainly comprises of a riseball and a screwball, knows what problems she had her sophomore year.

"I was just trying to do a little bit too much," she said. "You can't be too uptight. I've got to be more relaxed because you can only do so much."

Jacoby also realized she had to work on the physical aspects of pitching.

"My mechanics were off," she said. "I kept repeating (the bad things) over and over again. I wasn't really focused on my motion and my mechanics."

For Jacoby, it's been more difficult to come back.

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WOMEN'S INDOOR TRACK | ATHLETE SPOTLIGHT

Sophomore throws her way to success

Evergreen Park native rated as one of the top in the conference

By Dan Cusack
Sports Reporter

Sophomore thrower Kandace Arnold went back to the equipment closet while most of her teammates were going home for the night.

Arnold wanted to get in a few more drills before she left, even if she would be training alone.

Arnold is the third-farthest thrower in the Ohio Valley Conference in both the shot put and the weight throw and was named the OVC Freshman of the Year last season.

This season, she has finished in the top 10 in four of her five meets and won the shot put at the EIU Early Bird Invite.

She is one of the favorites to win



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Sophomore Kandace Arnold practices the weight throw in Lantz Fieldhouse on Monday afternoon. Arnold is ranked third in the Ohio Valley Conference in the weight throw and the shot put.

both the shot put and weight throw in the OVC Indoor Championships next week.

"I looked at the rankings, and anybody can win," Arnold said. "It's

going to be so exciting and a good competition."

Earlier this season, Arnold went head-to-head with one of the OVC's top-ranked throwers in Southeast

Missouri sophomore Ashley Brewer.

Brewer is rated ahead of Arnold in the 20-pound weight throw.

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EASTERN SPORTS SCHEDULE

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL
Thursday vs. Illinois Tech |
7 p.m. — Lantz Arena

MEN'S AND WOMEN'S SWIMMING
Thursday at Summit League Championships |
All Day — Rochester, Mich.

MEN'S AND WOMEN'S SWIMMING
Friday at Summit League Championships |
All Day — Rochester, Mich.

MEN'S AND WOMEN'S INDOOR TRACK
Friday Night Special |
2 p.m. — Lantz Indoor Fieldhouse

MEN'S TENNIS
Friday at Illinois State |
7 p.m. — Normal