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Irwin selected as new dean

Search ends for new Arts & Humanities dean

By Sarah Ruhoff
Administration Editor

Eastern's new dean of the College of Arts and Humanities will not have to travel far.

Bonnie Irwin will pack up her office in Booth House and move into the dean's office in Doudna Fine Arts Center on June 30.

Blair Lord, provost and vice president for academic affairs, named Irwin, currently dean of the Honors College, as James Johnson's replacement.

Johnson retired on June 30, 2009; interim dean Jeffrey Lynch



Bonnie Irwin

has led the college since then.

"I look forward to creating a vision with the chairs, faculty, staff and students," Irwin said. "I want to further develop the college's shared purpose of educating students and enhancing the academic and artistic culture of the campus."

Prior to being named dean of the Honors College in 2004, Irwin spent 10 years as a member of the English department faculty.

"I have really solid working re-

lationships with students, faculty, staff, administrators and even the trustees," Irwin said. "These relationships and my knowledge of how the university works will ease my transition to the new position."

Lynch believes this prior knowledge will help ease her transition into the new position, but it will still take some time.

"Bonnie will be able to hit the ground running," Lynch said. "She's smart, which means she knows she has a lot to learn."

Specifically, Irwin needs to learn about the goals and missions of the departments.

Glen Hild, chair of the art department, said, "She has to become educated about all of the departments in the college. To do that, she needs to talk to the department chairs."

Lynch agrees the position is a collaborative one.

"We're a collective; not a top-down, authoritative dean telling the chairs what to do," Lynch said. "She's not coming into a treadmill that's not moving. There are a lot of initiatives going on."

One new initiative is the development of a humanities center, a need Irwin has recognized and supported.

"The humanities, for the most part, have unsatisfactory facilities, and the challenge there is to overcome the space with even better programs," Irwin said. "The planned humanities center, even without a space, has the potential to transform the campus by bringing in speakers and providing opportunities for us all to see how the

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CAMPUS

A week after the flood

By Heather Holm
Activities Editor

Roann Kopel, an accounting professor, had her office flooded on Jan. 12 after a pipe burst in Lumpkin Hall. She also had her accounting class re-located to the Doudna Fine Arts Center. A number of other professors also needed to have their classes meet in different buildings around campus.

So far, besides changing buildings for her class, Kopel said she needed re-organize her office from the flood, which, according to Kopel, was a good thing since she is retiring at the end year. Suzanne Davis, a business law professor, had water pour into her classroom and has had her classes relocated to Coleman Hall.

"It has been a little difficult because there is not as much technology in Coleman Hall as in Lumpkin Hall," Davis said. "In Coleman Hall there are no Starboards and very little Smartboards, which I use to take notes in class."

Gary Reed, director of facilities planning and management, said the water leak in Lumpkin Hall was caused by a fire main freezing over while in a mechanical chase, or a hollow section of a wall, that runs along the north wall of the building.

Although not certain, Reed thinks the fire main could have been damaged because of the recent significantly low temperatures.

Since the flooding, Reed said improvements to the insulation system in the building and sealing the building against outside air infiltration are being made. Reed said pipe damage could also be caused

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UNIVERSITY

ITS seeks to fill position

By Courtney Bruner
Staff Reporter

Informational Technology Services on campus have a vacancy for the assistant vice president position due to the previous employee having been reassigned to another position.

Chat Chatterji, the previous assistant vice president, will now be teaching off campus for the university through the College of Continuing Education.

Bill Weber, vice president for business affairs, said it was a mutual decision for Chatterji's reassignment, as Chatterji was ready to move onto other interests.

"He agreed to stay here for five to seven years," Weber said. "He is now in his eighth year."

Weber hopes to be able to find an internal employee to fill in as interim for the position until a permanent replacement can be found. They hope to have a permanent vice president by July 1, 2011.

"We want someone that has a strong knowledge base, not just IT in general, but also ITS and its employees," Weber said.

Weber said they want someone who can enhance the customer service aspect of ITS, and enhance cooperation between ITS and other units on campus, such as the Center for Academic Technology Support.

"We want someone who will have a strong technical plan so we know where we are going," Weber said.

The search for the position will start through applications within the university. Those wishing to submit an application can refer to the university newsletter for more information.

Weber wants feedback from the university community once the applicants have been announced. He will then make the final decision.

The position will remain open throughout the month, but Weber hopes to have an interim soon, as it is important for the position to be filled.

"We want someone with the vision to lead the unit," Weber said.

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Back to the grind



CHELSEA GRADY | THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

Students ease in to the still-young spring semester as they study in Booth Library Wednesday.

LOCAL

Census Bureau to begin count

By Kayleigh Zyskowski
City Editor

The 2010 U.S. Census will begin the decade's population count in about two weeks, and the city of Charleston is determined to have the population count as accurate as possible.

City Planner Steve Pamperin has been working to assist the Census Bureau by collecting the addresses of all Charleston residents using a computer program called the Geographic Information System.

"What we have done with our GIS is identified, basically, every residential building in Charleston and have put that on our own local data base," Pamperin said.

With each building collected, the city identified where all of the apartments are located.

"We can easily tell, block by block, how many apartments should be in each block and how many units should be in each apartment, which allows us to work side by side with the Census Bureau to make sure the count is as accurate as it can be," Pamperin said.

City officials plan to use this data to check the numbers collected by the Census Bureau in the next few weeks to make sure no block of the city was overlooked, Pamperin said.

"If the numbers do not quite match up with our maps, we will certainly be able to work with

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WEATHER TODAY



Scattered Showers

HIGH 40° Widespread rain showers expected through the afternoon. A few lighter showers will still be possible overnight. Just mostly cloudy tomorrow, but more showers will return late Saturday afternoon. The warming trend should continue through the weekend, but cool off by the start of next week.

LOW 35°

WEATHER TOMORROW

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Low: 40°

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CAMPUS BRIEFS

Last chance for senior yearbook portraits

Students can take a senior portrait for the yearbook today, from noon to 8 p.m. in the Shelbyville Room of the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union.

Schedule an optional appointment at www.our-year.com, school code 1611.

For more information contact Christine Godbey at cgodbey@eiu.edu, or 309-662-8501.

Student's work to be shown at Paper Café

Work by student photographer Alycia Rockey will be shown from 7 to 11 p.m. Saturday at Paper Café, 1148 Sixth St.

The show, titled "Live! From New York! Boots!" will feature images of her trip to New York in summer 2009.

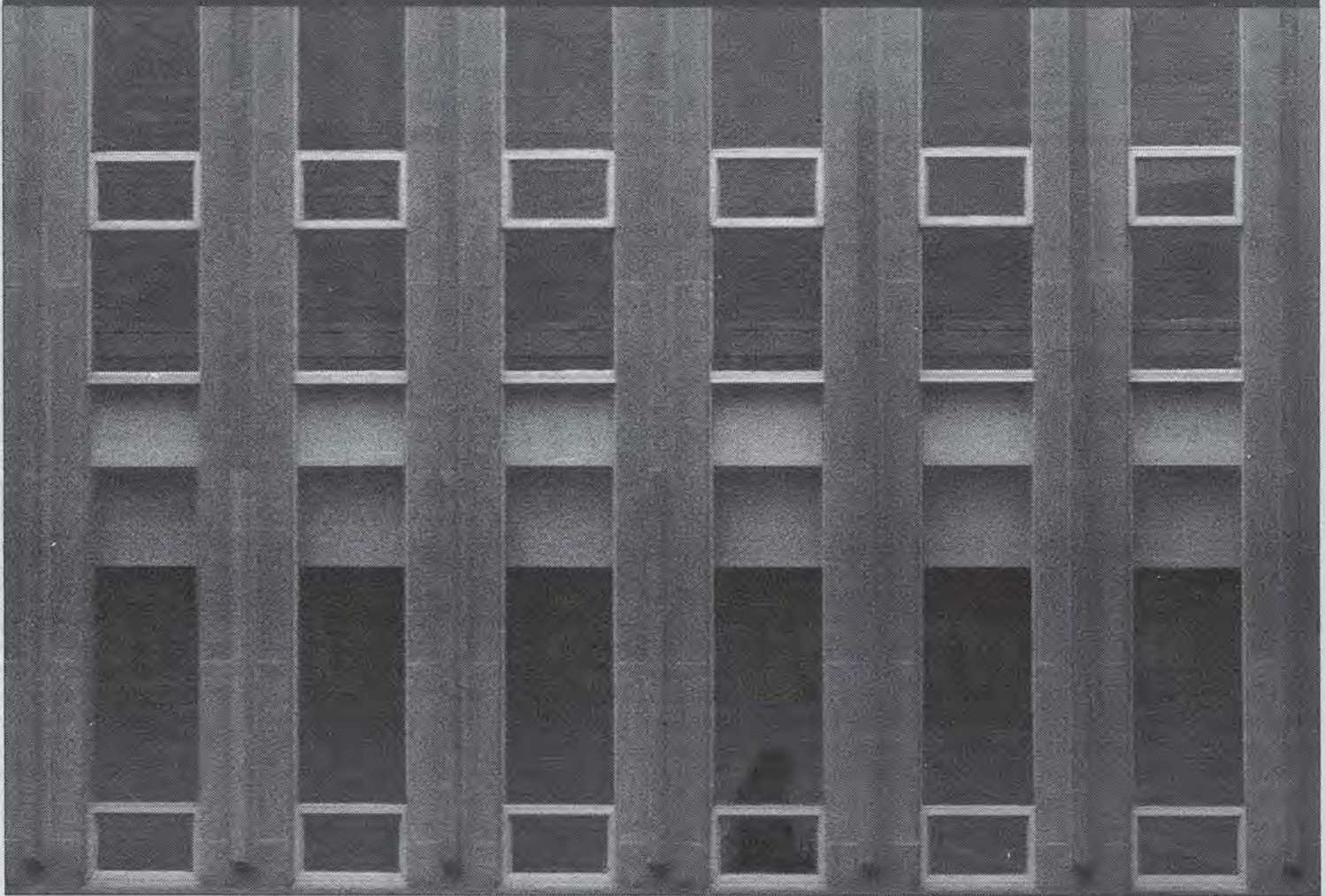
Comedian Conner to perform UB event

The University Board is bringing in comedian Ryan Conner, who will perform 9 p.m. Saturday in 7th St. Underground.

There will also be prizes and the admission is free.

—Compiled by News Editor Emily Steele

Looking through the courtyard



AMIR PRELLBERG | THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

A student walks down the hall Wednesday afternoon on the south side of the second floor of Coleman Hall. There was painting done to the second floor of the building Wednesday.

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What to name your pets

Assistant online editor Julia Carlucci gives a few suggestions on what to name your pet in a blog at DENnews.com.

BLOTTER

A cannabis complaint was reported on Jan. 15 at Carman Hall. The incident was referred to the Office of Student Standards.

A harassment report was filed on Jan. 15 at Taylor Hall.

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A telephone harassment report was filed on Jan. 15 to the University Police Department. The incident was referred to the Office of Student Standards.

A cannabis complaint was reported on Jan. 16 at Carman Hall.

The incident was referred to the state's attorney and the Office of Student Standards.

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CHARLESTON

Grant provides new camera gear

By Kayleigh Zyskowski
City Editor

The Charleston Fire Department purchased cameras and camera equipment with a grant received from FM Global for \$1,700.

FM Global is a global commercial and industrial property insurer based in Rhode Island, which gives out quarterly fire prevention grants to fire departments and other organizations throughout the world.

Captain Steve Bennett, who works on fire prevention methods, applied the department for the grant specifically to purchase the cameras.

"Any time we have a fire, we have to do an investigation into the legal aspects," Bennett said. "We need to document the scene and how things were found. This helps us determine how the fire was started."

With photographic proof, the department will be able to capture evidence to save on file.

The cameras will also be used during pre-fire planning.

"We can actually walk through businesses in town and see how the business is set up," Bennett said. "We will be able to document where the water shutoffs are and where electrical wires are in the case that there is an emergency there."

This information can be put into a computer software program used in the fire trucks called "Firehouse."

This program does all the department's fire reports, ambulance reports and has the ability to lay out pre-fire plans.

When an emergency occurs at a certain business, the business can be typed into the program located on the laptops in the fire trucks and the data collected



CHELSEA GRADY | THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

Charleston Fire Department Station 1 on 10th street sits quietly, yet always prepared, Wednesday evening. The department received a \$1,700 grant from FM Global that provided it with money to purchase cameras and camera equipment. According to Captain Steve Bennett, the new equipment will aid the fire department in documenting scenes for pending investigations.

will be available to the firefighters.

Most of the departments in the area have at least one camera; however, Bennett said he wanted a camera in most of the fire vehicles to be of convenience if Fire Chief Pat Goodwin, who has the

camera, is not available.

"We were actually able to stretch our money and purchase four Canon PowerShot 10-megapixel cameras," Bennett said.

In addition to the still cameras, cas-

es, memory cards, a lens and flash for Goodwin's camera and a camcorder were also purchased.

The still cameras have been put in the various fire department vehicles.

Two in fire engines, one in a rescue

truck and one in an ambulance, Bennett said.

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ELECTIONS

Students voice opinions over upcoming election

By Kayleigh Zyskowski
City Editor

Adam Chesi, a senior business major

Are you registered to vote?
Chesi: Yes, in my hometown.

Have you been following the 2010 primary race for the Illinois state governor?
Chesi: No, not yet.

Do you feel this is an important election with the current issues within the state?

Chesi: I feel it is important that everyone who is in charge in this actually knows what they are doing.

Have you been following the local city primary elections where you are registered?

Chesi: Not specifically yet. I plan on looking into it before hand.

Do you feel the local city elections are important?

Chesi: In some ways, more than the federal and state elections.

Mike Vogel, sophomore recreation administration major

Are you registered to vote?

Vogel: Yes

Have you been following the 2010 Primary race for the Illinois State Governor?
Vogel: Not particularly.

Do you feel this is an important election with the current issues within the state?

Vogel: Yes, it's important to know what the people in office are doing and to have a say in the matter.

Have you been following the local city primary elections where you are registered?

Vogel: Not, really. I have mainly only seen the Haiti crisis in the news lately.

Amanda Zook, a freshman foreign language major

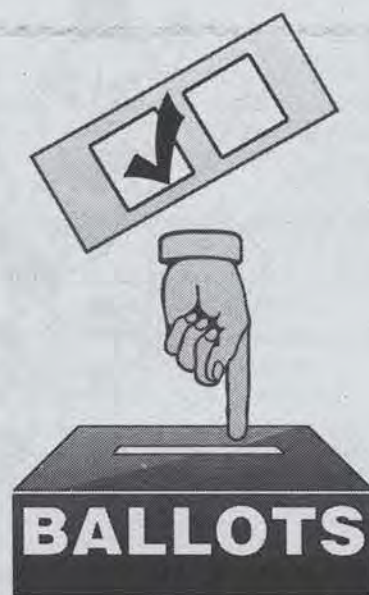
Are you registered to vote?
Zook: No.

Have you been following the 2010 Primary race for the Illinois State Governor?

Zook: Not really, except for a little bit from the news.

Do you feel this is an important election with the current issues within the state?

Zook: Yes, it should make a dif-



ference even though things can't get much worse.

Have you been following the local city primary elections where you are registered?
Zook: No.

Do you feel the local city elections are important?

Zook: Some things aren't as important as the larger elections.

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"I feel it is important that everyone who is in charge in this actually knows what they are doing."

— Adam Chesi on the importance of the upcoming election



"Yes, it's important to know what the people in office are doing and to have a say in the matter."

— Mike Vogel on following local elections



"Some things aren't as important as the larger elections."

— Amanda Zook on the importance of local elections

VIEWES



Julian Russell

Kill stress, reconnect with passion

So we all know college tends to make us a bit loopy.

No, we aren't quite to that point in the semester yet where we find ourselves overwhelmed with papers and tests, but we've all been there, nonetheless.

I remember my final semester at Lake Land Community College and how it became overwhelming. I was taking six classes so I could graduate, dealing with trying to get to Lake Land every day, and so on.

It got to a point where I was extremely stressed out. I felt like I was completely separated from "me time."

One day, I was talking to one of my professors and he asked, "Well, what do you like to do in your free time?"

I kind of laughed about the term "free time" because, at the time, it felt nonexistent but, nevertheless, I answered: I like to play guitar.

I've played guitar for about 13 years now. It is my hobby, my passion, and my complete and utter form of pure enjoyment.

He asked how long it had been since I last played guitar. I thought for a minute and realized it had been more than a month since I had even picked up my guitar, which was quite the opposite of my usual playing habits. Before college, I played every day.

He told me to go home, set aside half an hour, an hour — it didn't matter — and play guitar.

I, indeed, went home, played guitar and, needless to say, enjoyed the hell out of it.

So, now I pass the message on.

This is my call to the students of Eastern to set aside time to do whatever it is you feel passionate about.

It is important to keep up with school and continue our education but it is more important to always remember what makes us ourselves. Sometimes we just have to push aside the mess of papers surrounding us and find some "me time."

That doesn't mean we still can't hold on to the feeling of occasionally wanting to run down Fourth Street, as far away from schoolwork as possible, screaming, to never look back. A lot of people feel like they are giving up their dreams by going to college, which sounds completely ridiculous, right?

However, I am one of those people because my dream was to make a career out of music. Now, I feel like I have to push aside working toward that dream to secure a lifestyle for myself that gets me by.

The more you think about it, though, it doesn't have to be like that. No matter how badly we fall into that cycle of work, school, work, school, we have to be ourselves.

Even now as I sit here writing this column I am faced with a deadline, a mountain-worth of homework ahead of me, and a child to look after.

Despite all that, when I get done, I'm going to pick up my guitar and turn into Jimi Hendrix for an hour. Because, if I don't, I will feel like I have become a robot.

So, again I say to you: Do whatever it is that separates you from the masses. If you're an artist, go paint. If you like fixing engines, then have at it.

As best said by an ancient Chinese proverb, "Tension is who you think you should be, relaxation is who you are."

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THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

"Tell the truth and don't be afraid"

DAILY EDITORIAL

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

Irwin faces large task as new dean of Arts and Humanities

It was common knowledge that when James Johnson, dean of the College of Arts and Humanities, retired in June 2009 he was leaving big shoes to fill.

In an article that appeared in the April 24, 2009, edition of *The Daily Eastern News*, Johnson was even called "an Eastern icon" by Dan Crews, director of promotions and publicity for the College of Arts and Humanities.

Eastern administrators named Bonnie Irwin, dean of the Honors College, the new dean of the College of Arts and Humanities on Wednesday.

Angela Vietto, an associate professor in the English department and member of the dean search committee, said in an e-mail that the dean of a college provides leadership and is a key player in fundraising. Deans are in charge of handling changes in requirements for majors and minors, develop and cultivate innovations in teaching methods, determine class sizes, faculty work loads and so on.

They are, essentially, the middleman between faculty and the administration, and everything they do affects students and faculty equally.

A dean can't be a faceless administrator, sitting in a corner office. A dean's only focus can't be raising money and working with numbers.

Anita Shelton, chair of the history department, said it best.

"In Arts and Humanities, we also want a dean who sees us as human beings, but at the same time knows how to speak the languages of quantification and accountability," Shelton said. "A sense of humor is also essential."

It is great to see that, although Eastern conducted a nationwide search for someone qualified enough to fill the position, its best candidate was from right here at home, though that may not always be the most popular choice.

That being said, our expectations aren't any different.

"We need a dean to take the success the fine arts programs have had recently and apply it to the rest of the departments in the college."

We need a dean to take the success the fine arts programs have had recently and apply it to the rest of the departments in the college.

We need a dean who will be an advocate for faculty and students, and share those needs with the administration.

We need a dean who will create and improve initiatives to help students in the College of Arts and Humanities receive the best education possible.

Blair Lord, provost and vice president for academic affairs, said Irwin will be able to accomplish all of these.

"With all of the time spent developing the Doudna Fine Arts Center, now we need to help the humanities develop initiatives and provide a greater spotlight for their programs as well," Lord said. "I think Dean Irwin will be able to do all of this. She is very effective at working with virtually any individual on campus... She's a real people-person and a very skilled communicator, both in writing and orally. She's able to articulate and explain things effectively and gather support for them, all of which is very important in a leader in a college."

We're glad Eastern administrators were able to find a qualified candidate to fill such an important role, and especially glad since that person has experience at Eastern and knows how the university works.

And now we must all have faith in the selection made by those charged with the task of always looking out for the best interests of Eastern's students and faculty.

We hope Irwin will be able to take what Johnson and interim dean Jeffrey Lynch have done and continue to advance the College of Arts and Humanities so it reaches its highest potential for excellence.

It is no small task laid in front of Irwin. Johnson *did* leave big shoes to fill. And leading a college as large as this requires someone with the kind of skills Eastern administrators apparently feel Irwin has.

FROM THE EASEL



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FROM AROUND THE STATE

The Rise of the Wives

By The Daily Vidette Editorial Board
Illinois State University

Thanks to a recent report released Tuesday by the Pew Research Center, all those sexist jokes about women belonging in the kitchen became even more irrelevant.

The report, which compares marriages in 2007 to those in 1970, says women are the higher-income spouses in one out of five marriages, with women becoming increasingly more educated than men.

Times are a lot different than they were four decades ago, when the majority of women were at home while their husbands worked. Now, the report shows "a gender role reversal in the gains

from marriage," making it not uncommon for the husband to be home.

Richard Fry, co-author of this recent report stated, "Now when men marry, often their spouse works quite a bit. Often she is better-educated than the guy."

Fry also pointed out that in 1970, unmarried men "had a higher economic status than married guys," he said, while this is no longer true.

But while women are becoming increasingly more educated and bringing in more money, men are still seen as the major breadwinners. The report claims that 78 percent make at least as much or more than their wives.

However, the U.S. Census Bureau looked at U.S.-born spouses ages 30-44 and revealed this

is the first age group in history to have more women than men with college degrees.

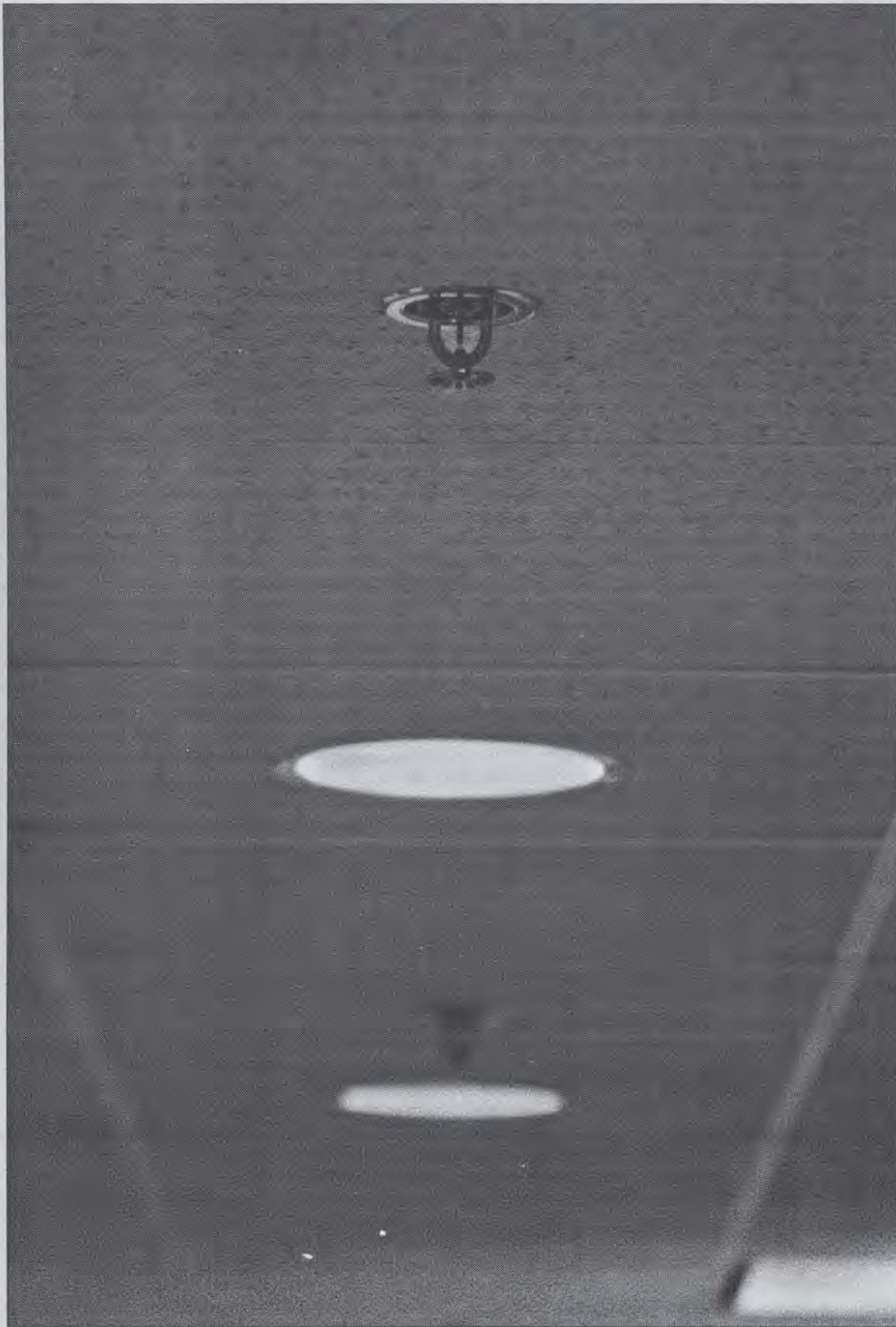
It also shows the percentage of women who make more money than their counter-part has more than quadrupled, from 4 percent in 1970 to 22 percent in 2007.

So as women become more easily accepted by society in workplaces and universities, just how accepting are their husbands, who may earn less and have less education under their belts?

It can be said that a good amount of men enjoy being supported by their wives. And with the status of the economy right now, most families can't afford to not have a spouse working, regardless of gender.

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CAMPUS



CHELSEA GRADY | THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

Sprinklers hanging from the ceiling in the Human Services Building offer protection from fire. The board of trustees will look into two renovation projects that include the installation of sprinkler systems in dorms. The project is expected to cost \$4.7 million and is supposed to bring Eastern's dorms up to code with the Fire Sprinkler Act, which requires all post-secondary dorms in Illinois to be equipped with sprinkler systems by 2013.

Sprinkler system in campus dormitories up for BOT approval

By Jason Hardimon
Campus Editor

Two renovation projects, which will include the installation of sprinkler systems in residence halls, are slated for approval at the board of trustees meeting on Friday.

The projects will cost a total of \$4.7 million.

The installation of sprinkler systems in Lincoln Hall, among other renovations, is projected to cost \$3.4 million. The installation of sprinkler systems in Thomas Hall is projected to cost \$1.3 million, said Mark Hudson, director of university housing and dining services.

Room and board fees paid by students living in the residence halls provided all funding for the sprinkler systems, Hudson said.

State legislation requires that all residence halls on a college campus feature sprinkler systems within the next three years. Currently, Lincoln, Thomas, Ford, McKinney and Weller are without sprinklers.

According to the Fire Sprinkler Act, which passed in Illinois in 2005, "Fire sprinkler systems are required in the dormitories of all post-secondary educational institutions by 2013. This includes current structures as well as newly constructed dormitories."

Hudson said plans for completing the installation of sprinkler systems in all residence halls on campus by the government-mandated deadline are on schedule.

"Following the installation of sprinklers in Lincoln Hall this summer, we'll be over 75 percent finished with the project," Hudson said.

Eastern Safety Officer Gary Hanebrink said work on the Lincoln and Thomas projects is expected to begin shortly after graduation in May, and should be completed in August before the fall 2010 semester.

"Lincoln and Thomas will be the sixth and seventh buildings on campus to be retrofitted with sprinklers and fire alarm systems," Hanebrink said.

Taylor Hall is to be retrofitted with

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Mark Hudson, director of university housing and dining services

sprinkler and fire alarm systems in summer 2011. The Triad complex — Ford, McKinney and Weller Halls — will be retrofitted with fire alarm and sprinkler systems the following summer.

In 1993, a fire started in Carman Hall, which severely damaged the structure's sixth floor and temporarily displaced 60 residents.

Three years later, Eastern began the task of updating the residence halls with fire alarm and sprinkler systems. This was 10 years before any legislation that required state schools to do so, Hanebrink said.

"The university felt that fire safety was No. 1 in residence halls and they chose Pemberton Hall as the first of which to be updated," he said.

Hanebrink said Pemberton Hall presented a challenge because it is a historical building and the design had to be adapted.

Hudson said the sprinkler system design at Eastern protects students and their property while not sacrificing aesthetics.

"I'm very pleased about the way we have designed this system," Hudson said. "We don't have exposed pipes running down hallways like at some schools."

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STUDENT GOVERNMENT

Senate divided over resolution

By Erica Whelan
Student Government Editor

The student senate deemed a resolution that would establish a senate judiciary committee for the purpose of evaluating nominees to the student supreme court emergency legislation at Wednesday's meeting.

Following a period of extensive discussion, the resolution ultimately failed by a vote of 11-30-0.

Author Matthew Pickham, chair of the tuition and fee review committee, defended the proposal on the grounds that a committee specifically dedicated toward conducting a more thorough and expansive interview that would enable senate members to make informed decisions when voting on the candidates.

"It's actually kind of a follow-up to what I saw was a lackluster effort last semester," Pickham said. "It would allow us to make a recommendation to the senate prior to the question-and-answer period before the vote."

Opponents of the resolution expressed concern that the construction

of the committee would undermine the judgment of student body president Michelle Murphy, who is initially responsible for interviewing the candidates and narrowing the applicant pool down to the few individuals she feels are best qualified.

Once Murphy designates the final candidates, they are invited to appear before the student senate to submit to a question-and-answer period preceding the vote.

"I play such a tiny role now, don't I?" Murphy said. "Is there even any point in me writing the legislation?"

Kendall Jackson, co-chair of the internal affairs committee, questioned the necessity of the subsequent interview process in agreement with Murphy, as he feels that the two original interviews suffice in helping to determine the competence of the candidates.

"I find this pointless because, if the justices are overseeing the senators, how come we're not going through the same process as they are?" Jackson inquired. "I am 110 percent, that's how confident I am, that this is power hunger."

Conversely, Jason Sandidge, chair of the university development and recycling committee, argued in favor of the resolution and motioned to treat it as emergency legislation.

He expressed a belief that multiple minds are better than one mind in regards to appointing the people who examine the constitutionality of the student senate's actions.

"I'm in dire support of this bill," Sandidge said. "If the candidates have a desire to serve, they won't bypass this opportunity. If each of us really wanted to sit at this table that bad, we would do whatever it takes to get there, even if it means sitting in the frigid cold to poll Eastern."

The main contention expressed by senate member Aaron Wiessing was that the third subsequent interview process conducted by the committee would be an unnecessary step in the process.

"Why don't we just cut out the middleman?" Wiessing inquired.

He motioned to amend Article IV of the bill under "Powers and Duties" to exclude the first clause, along with letter "A."

This amendment would have removed the reviewing and evaluating power of the judiciary review committee, leaving it with the sole responsibility of investigating issues of constitutionality on behalf of the senate.

Proponents of the resolution argued that this action would contradict the essential purpose of the committee, and the amendment failed by a vote of 8-15-1.

Mark Olendzki, student vice president of student affairs, assisted Pickham in constructing the resolution and described the intent of the committee as conducive to producing an adequate level of scrutiny to prepare senate members to make informed decisions.

"The supreme court is unique in that they have the final say on the student body constitution," Olendzki said. "Adding more scrutiny to the process, I don't see the harm in that."

Before voting on the emergency legislation, senate member DeMarlon Brown expressed concern that the senate may be acting too quickly in

determining the decision. "I feel like this is a rushed vote," Brown said. "Why should we set up an extra committee meant to review the candidates when we won't take the time to make sure that this bill is flaw-free?"

In other news:

• The student senate approved a resolution for a line-item transfer in the amount of \$398 to cover travel and lodging expenses for a week-end conference at the Illinois Board of High Education Student Advisory Committee Conference.

• A resolution to post shuttle bus schedules and maps in bus shelters across campus, as well as by the Office of Student Affairs, was also approved.

• The student senate approved a resolution to support a relief fund that will benefit Haiti, which will include activities such as 3-on-3 basketball and a dodge ball tournament at 1 p.m. on Jan. 25 in the McAfee Gymnasium.

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STATE

ELECTIONS

Brady goes after rivals on taxes, ethics in debate

The Associated Press

CHAMPAIGN — With election day approaching rapidly, Bill Brady used a debate Wednesday to attack the biggest names in the Republican race for Illinois governor.

The Bloomington state senator

jabbed at Jim Ryan for his association with a crooked state official, his record as a prosecutor and his refusal to sign a pledge to oppose any and all tax increases.

Brady criticized Sen. Kirk Dillard over the tax pledge, as well as Dillard's support for a huge borrowing

plan under Gov. Rod Blagojevich.

"When Jim Ryan and Kirk Dillard were supporting tax increases, I was fighting against them," Brady said.

And he accused Andy McKenna of an ethics violation during his tenure as Illinois Republican Party chairman.

Democrats running for US Senate debate in Chicago

CHICAGO — Democrats running for President Barack Obama's old Senate seat admitted Wednesday that Massachusetts created problems for them in Illinois.

Democrats nationwide are reeling

after Republican Scott Brown's upset victory in a special election to replace the late Sen. Edward Kennedy in reliably Democratic Massachusetts.

"This is going to be a very difficult year for Democrats," former City of Chicago inspector general David Hoffman said.

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FLOOD, from page 1

by ice buildup on the roofs of buildings and gutter systems, plugged roof drains or the wearing out of roofing systems.

What can students do?

Students on campus need to take precautions as well to avoid pipes from freezing.

Mark Hudson, director of housing and dining, said the most important thing to prevent leaks in the residence halls is to keep windows closed.

He said when the residence halls have flooded, like with Carman Hall last year, it was because someone left a window open when they left for class.

"Windows open for a prolonged period of time can freeze the pipe," Hudson said. "Instead of pressure flowing, it can build up and break the pipe."

Hudson said this can cause flooding in an entire residence hall, since water travels from upper to lower floors, and leaving a window open can have an effect on other residents in the building.

Opening a window in one room can heat up the rest of the rooms because the thermostat is making up for the cold air in that one room.

Hudson said workers try to pay attention to open windows during the winter to prevent floods from happening.

"This is not a super-regular occurrence, but more significant cold air is present (in the winter), which can therefore freeze pipes," Hudson said. "Whenever you have significantly large environment, sometimes the pipe can eventually fail as well."

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the bureau to make sure those blocks are counted," Pamperin said.

The GIS will help citywide, including the off-campus students' residences.

"When it comes to Eastern students, we will be able to tell where off-campus houses and residents are located," Pamperin said. "If there is a 30-unit apartment on a certain block, we can make sure those numbers match up."

Cooperation between the city, Eastern and the Census Bureau is necessary to obtain a proper count, Pamperin said.

In order to have a correct population count, it is imperative that the census forms are filled out correctly, Pamperin said.

Each residence will receive one form.

It is important for students to know that the form should be filled out for every person living in the residence, not just the person filling out the form.

Stephen Reinhart, from the U.S. Census Bureau based in Cham-

paign, said only about 65 percent of all forms sent out are returned to the Census Bureau.

"The remaining 35 percent will have to be hand counted by going door to door," Reinhart said.

The Census Bureau based in Champaign covers 14 counties in Illinois, stretching south from Kankakee to Greenup, and east from Bloomington to the Indiana border.

Once the deadline has passed for the mail-in forms, the Census Bureau will hire additional people to continue with the count.

"The amount of people hired in an area is directly linked to the amount of forms returned in from that area, the more residences that will still need to be counted the more people will be hired in that town," Reinhart said.

"Charleston is definitely a partner with the Census Bureau, and hopefully between the two of us we can get an accurate count," Pamperin said.

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New jobs available

City editor Kayleigh Zyskowski fills students in about a new job that is ideal for college students — working in the Census Bureau.

Visit DENnews.com Friday to check out her blog.

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humanities define us as people and lift us up."

Doudna has provided the fine arts departments with a new home, which also provides an academic challenge of its own.

"The fine arts have amazing, beautiful facilities and the challenge is to live up to their potential," Irwin said.

Professors in humanities anxiously await the development of the center, said philosophy chair Jonelle DePetro.

"We've been very lucky and very pleased with the Doudna, and those of us in humanities believe it is time to focus on the humanities," DePetro said. "It's a new direction for the college and everybody supports it. It's something we can all work together toward."

Lord expects the humanities to be a major focus of her role.

"We need to develop some initia-

tives to bring some coherence to the humanities. It will be a very important task for Dean Irwin," Lord said. "She will bring her own style, but needs to continue to be participatory and collaborative and to support the faculty because it is the faculty's role to develop the curriculum."

Curriculum development is another critical issue, as the university faces a trimmed down budget for the next fiscal year.

"The budget is going to shrink next year, and it's going to affect every college," Hild said. "I'm hoping the staffing needs I have can be taken care of by an annually contracted faculty member. We're trying to create as much curriculum as possible with our resources."

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With Irwin moving to the College of Arts and Humanities, Lord will be looking to fill her position in the Honors College.

"I need to decide whether to go with an interim appointment or do a search this semester to make an appointment for dean," Lord said. "I need to make the decision quickly so it's over by the end of spring and there is someone to take over in the summer."

Irwin expects the Honors College to continue to grow after the transition.

"While I am sad to leave honors, I am very proud of what we have accomplished over the last few years, and I look forward to the college reaching even greater heights under new leadership," Irwin said. "I have no doubt they will continue to flourish."

Associate News Editor Sarah Jean Breshnahan contributed to this report

WORLD

Aftershock drives more from Haitian capital

The Associated Press

PORT-AU-PRINCE, Haiti — A frightening new aftershock Wednesday forced more earthquake survivors onto the capital's streets to live and sent others fleeing to the countryside, where aid was only beginning to reach wrecked towns.

A flotilla of rescue vessels, meanwhile, led by the U.S. hospital ship Comfort, converged on Port-au-Prince harbor to help fill gaps in still-lagging global efforts to deliver water, food and medical help.

Hundreds of thousands of survivors of Haiti's cataclysmic earthquake were living in makeshift tents or on blankets and plastic sheets under the tropical sun.

The strongest tremor since the Jan. 12 quake struck at 6:03 a.m., just before sunrise while many still slept.

From the teeming plaza near the collapsed presidential palace to a hillside tent city, the 5.9-magnitude aftershock lasted only seconds but

panicked thousands of Haitians.

"Jesus!" they cried as rubble tumbled and dust rose anew from government buildings around the plaza. Parents gathered up children and ran.

Up in the hills, where U.S. troops were helping thousands of homeless, people bolted screaming from their tents. Jajoute Ricardo, 24, came running from his house, fearing its collapse.

"Nobody will go to their house now," he said, as he sought a tent of his own. "It is chaos, for real."

A slow vibration intensified into side-to-side shaking that lasted about eight seconds — compared to last week's far stronger initial quake that seemed to go on for 30 seconds and registered 7.0 magnitude.

Thongs again sought out small, ramshackle "tap-tap" buses to take them away from the city.

On Port-au-Prince's beaches, more than 20,000 people looked for boats to carry them down the coast, the local Signal FM radio reported.

But the desperation may be deeper outside the capital, closer to last week's quake epicenter.

"We're waiting for food, for water, for anything," Emmanuel Doris-Cherie, 32, said in Leogane, 25 miles (40 kilometers) southwest of Port-au-Prince.

Homeless in Leogane lived under sheets draped across tree branches, and the damaged hospital "lacks everything," Red Cross surgeon Hassan Nasreddine said.

Hundreds of Canadian soldiers and sailors were deploying to that town and to Jacmel on the south coast to support relief efforts, and the Haitian government sent a plane and an overland team to assess needs in Petit-Goave, a seaside town 10 miles (15 kilometers) farther west from Leogane that was the epicenter of Wednesday's aftershock.

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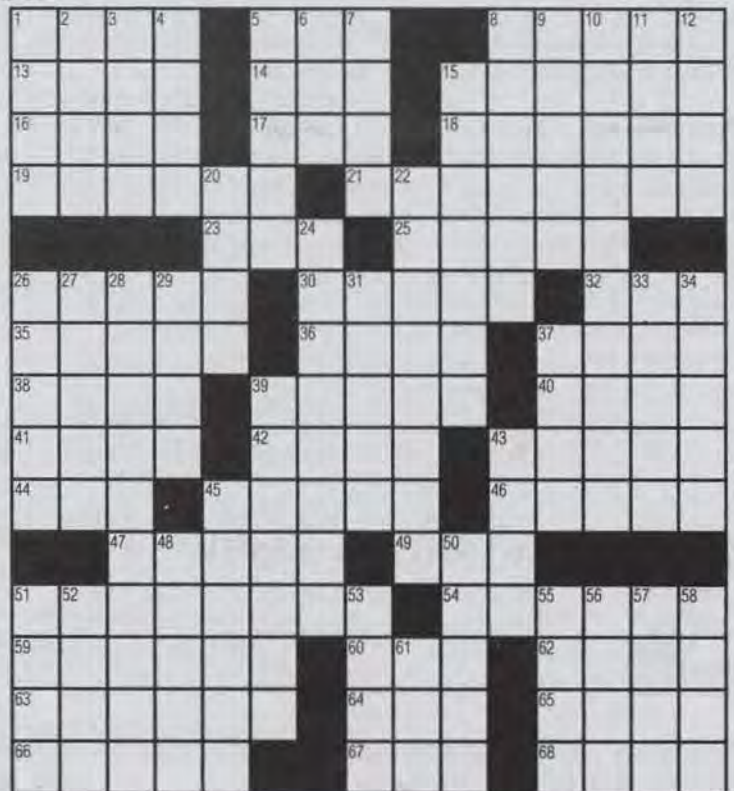
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- Dagger
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- Title role for a 1997 Oscar nominee
- Sweet frozen treat
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- "New York, New York" has one
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because they are close to his parents.

"I went to school in northern California - that's where UC-Davis is," Segal said. "The University of San Diego is in southern California, which is where my parents are right now."

One attraction to possibly heading to "The Golden State," said Segal, is that his parents are 80 years old, and he would be closer to them. He said he would also be near his sister, another resident of California.

Growing up in Los Angeles and coaching in Charleston may have factored into his decision, according to Segal.

"I'm not from the Midwest and

Charleston is a small town, so maybe that had something to do with it too," Segal said. "You have to be comfortable where you are."

Segal said he enjoyed being a part of Eastern athletics, and said he really liked his team and the girls he got to coach.

"The girls were great, the team was great and the team did better this year," Segal said. "All I want them to do is to be successful and win a lot of games next year."

While Segal is stepping down as head coach, he said he might not choose to pursue another coaching job. Instead, he might look into returning to the hotel and restaurant business in which he spent 13 years

of his life.

"I have a lot of contacts in that business and I did that for 13 years of my life," Segal said. "I'm not really sure where I'll be going, but I thought this was a good time for me to step down."

Segal spent nine years of his life coaching in Savannah, GA., where he still owns a home.

"I could go down there and stay in my house there and see what I'm going to do from there," Segal said. "You never know, I may stay in Savannah."

According to the former head coach, his decision to leave was one that he always thought about, but the last few days confirmed his

choice.

Segal said he has no timetable for making a decision regarding his future. He said a conversation with his mother led him to decide to take a few weeks of vacation after resigning.

"I think you just have to look at all the options that are out there and make the right decision," Segal said. "I think if you make a decision blindly, then it'll be a bad decision; but if you take time to sit down and see what's going on, then it'll be better."

Segal said he thought it was the right time to leave, if he was going to leave, because of the positive direction he felt the volleyball pro-

gram was going in.

"I know the girls will do well next year and I know Kate (Price), my assistant, is going to be staying there and leading them right now, and I think she'll do a great job also," Segal said.

Price, the assistant coach, will be in charge of the team's everyday duties until a replacement has been hired, according to Wednesday's press release.

Eastern's Athletic Department declined to comment further than what was stated in the press release.

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are many other aspects of the game that the Panthers will have to control.

"We're going to have to defend them without fouling," Sallee said. "We're going to have to defend the three and the drive. At the end of the day, we've got to keep them off of the boards and that's not going

to be an easy task."

Eastern was not satisfied with drawing even in rebounds against Morehead State on Saturday, 38-38.

But the team has been working on it in practice, according to Thomas.

"We wanted to make sure that we win the battle of the boards," Thom-

as said. "That's always a big focal point of practice. We've worked on our defense taking care of the paint and the post and just making them shoot the shots we want them to."

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PANTHER BRIEFS

Netters fall in season opener

The Eastern men's tennis squad dropped its season-opening match 5-2 Monday at Purdue in West Lafayette, Ind.

Freshmen Michael Sperry and Justin Haag were the lone individual winners for the Panthers, winning each of their match-ups in straight sets at No. 5 (6-4, 6-4) and No. 6 (6-3, 6-4) singles, respectively.

The host Boilermakers (2-0) opened the match by winning three doubles matches to earn the duo point. Senior Jeff Rutherford and sophomore Matyas Hilgert teamed up at the top of the lineup, losing 8-2, while the doubles teams of sophomore Jamie Firth Haag, and freshman Warren Race and Sperry lost at No. 2 and No. 3 doubles by scores of 8-0 and 8-4.

However, the Panthers were able to even the team scores at 2-2 following the single victories by Haag and Sperry.

First lost in straight sets at No. 3 singles, followed by tough losses by senior Rutherford (4-6, 6-0, 7-5) at the top of the singles lineup.

Freshman Wilson named Athlete of Week

Freshman swimmer John Wilson was named the Eastern Student-Athlete of the Week after posting three in-

dividual victories and swimming a leg on three relay winners as Eastern won dual meets against Western Illinois and Millikin.

He won the 50- and 100-yard freestyle against WIU and the 100-backstroke against Millikin. He also helped his 200-Medley Relay team win at both meets. He swam the anchor leg on the 400-Free Relay winner against Western.

Zooperstars coming again

The popular halftime act, Zooperstars, will perform during the men's and women's basketball games today in Lantz Arena.

The Zooperstars are inflatable animals and people who dance, jump around, joke and shoot items into the crowd.

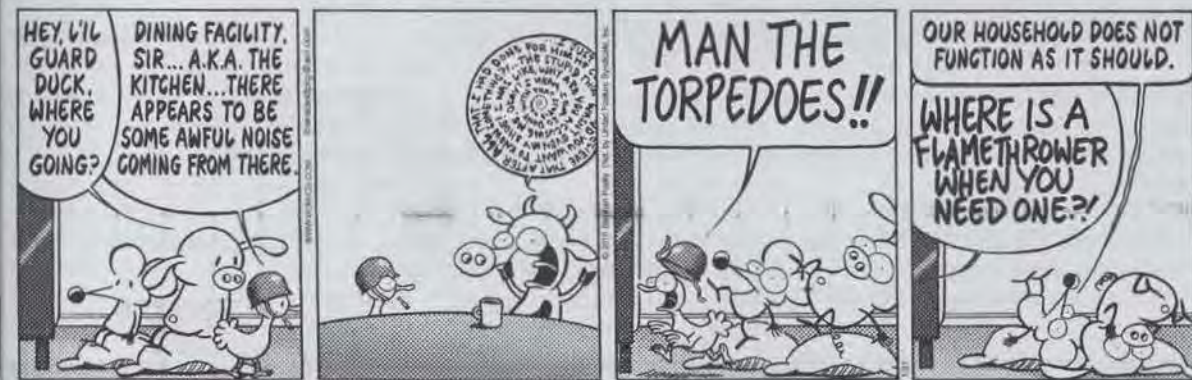
They are caricatures of famous athletes and celebrities, which include Alex Frogriguez, Bear Bonds, Clammy Sosa, Deion Salamanders, Mia Hampter and Elephant Presley.

This is the second time the Zooperstars are performing at Eastern. They made a performance Feb. 7, 2009, during the men's and women's basketball games.

—Compiled by Sports Editor Bob Bajek

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MEN'S BASKETBALL VS. MURRAY STATE, 7:30 P.M.

Rematch with Racers not made in heaven

Panthers look to avenge loss against league-leading Murray State

By Bob Bajek
Sports Editor

Memories of the Jan. 11 loss, 75-59, to Murray State are still fresh in the minds of members of the men's basketball team.

Since that time, the Panthers' men's basketball squad has not won a game.

Now, Eastern (10-8, 4-4 Ohio Valley Conference) will try to get revenge against the league leading Racers (16-3, 8-0 OVC), 7:30 p.m. today in Lantz Arena, to end a three game skid.

The road to victory will not be easy, Eastern's head coach Mike Miller said. The Racers have won seven conference match-ups by 16 points or more.

"If you look at the stats, they are dominating the OVC," Miller said. "From scoring to defense to rebounding to different phases, they are out front in every category."

Murray State does not have offensively dominant players, but it leads the league by averaging 79.6 points per game while Eastern averages 68.3.

Also, the Racers are tops in the OVC in scoring defense, allowing 61.7 points per contest.

"They are a balanced team like

us, in which they have six guys averaging about 10 points a game," Miller said. "They are very athletic and play very aggressively."

"Through eight games, they have established themselves as the best team in the league."

For the Panthers, only junior guard Tyler Laser is scoring more than 10 ppg, tallying 14.4 points per night.

The Racers are also a proficient blocking team, out-blocking opponents 105-49.

Senior and freshman forwards Tony Easley and Edward Daniel have 43 and 19 blocks, respectively.

Sophomore guard Jeremy Granger said Eastern needs to play smarter against Murray State.

The Panthers had 20 turnovers and 13 in the first half alone in its previous game against the Racers in Murray, Ky.

"We just have to play smarter," Granger said. "We've got to be stronger with the ball against Murray because they like to pick up full court."

"They like to get you sped up and we just can't get sped up. We've just got to play smart and good defensively and we could come out with a win."

Senior center Ousmane Cisse said his team has been struggling to score in the paint.

The Panthers have been outscored in the lane 32-18, 30-16 and 28-26 during their current losing streak.

"We have to get something going inside," Cisse said. "Going to these games last week, part of it was rebounding, part of it was taking care of the ball too. We haven't been taking care of the ball."

Eastern was also outdone in points off turnovers 29-9 against Morehead State and 25-11 against Murray State.

"Most of the teams we are playing, we have the defense to stop them, but we are just beating ourselves up by turning the ball over," Cisse said. "All the teams are getting their offense off our turnovers, which isn't a good thing. We have to clean that up."

Part of the problem has been breakdowns on both sides of the court.

Miller's squad has been out of position, which allows for turnovers and easy points for the opposition.

"Defensively, we were not rotating like we should have and offensively we weren't moving the ball (well)," Granger said. "Sometimes we would be in the wrong spots defensively and offensively, so I think those are some of those breakdowns."

After today's game, Eastern will continue its conference schedule by facing league foe Tennessee Martin (2-14, 0-7 OVC) 6 p.m. Saturday in Lantz Arena.

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Freshman forward Shaun Pratl reaches for a loose ball against Tennessee

STATE

Lawmakers help to prevent NFL lockout next season

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Pro football players sought lawmakers' help Wednesday in preventing NFL owners from imposing a lockout after next season and said a league victory

in a Supreme Court antitrust case could affect free agency and ticket prices.

"We want Congress to know that management is pushing us toward a lockout," said Kevin Mawae, the union president and one of about 30

current and former players who were on Capitol Hill.

A league official said the players' time would be better spent negotiating with the owners than lobbying Congress.

Mawae, a Tennessee Titans center,

said in an interview that he hopes Congress will exert its leverage over the league to help prevent a lockout, which players fear the owners plan to do following the 2010 season. He cited comments by New York Giants co-owner John Mara to The New

York Times this week that the two sides might be moving further apart in negotiations for a new deal.

Owners contend the existing agreement, which calls for players to receive about 60 percent of revenues, is too favorable for players.



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Top Cat Ta'Kenya Nixon, freshman guard



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Eastern freshman guard Ta'Kenya Nixon has won Ohio Valley Conference Freshman of the Week four times this season. Her performance has helped the Panthers take over first place in the OVC.

Nixon vaults team to top of OVC

Confidence in conference games helps team gel

By Kevin Murphy
Staff Reporter

Tracking down Ta'Kenya Nixon has not been easy for opponents this season.

The freshman guard for the Eastern women's basketball team gives defense fits because of her skill, athleticism and mainly, her competitiveness.

Nixon illustrated that last week, first finishing with a double-double (16 points, 17 rebounds) at Eastern Kentucky and then driving to the lane in the waning moments against Morehead State and helping engineer the game-winning basket for her teammate.

Nixon has sparked Eastern on both ends of the floor, but does it all with composure, something Eastern head coach Brady Sallee loves to see.

"She can beat you in a lot of different ways, and she's OK with do-

ing it a lot of different ways," Sallee said. "You're seeing a kid who understands there's a lot of ways to skin a cat. The nice thing is that she's not just scoring. She does want her wins, (though)."

And the Panthers have certainly done that, thrusting themselves to a 6-1 Ohio Valley Conference record, 10-8 overall mark and the top spot in the league.

Eastern senior guard Ashley Thomas recognizes Nixon has been able to run the point efficiently this season, but has become even more comfortable as the season has wore on.

But Thomas also recognizes that her youth and energetic play have helped the seniors and the underclassmen gel in conference games.

And the winning helps, too.

"I think we all have a better feeling as a point guard of what her decisions are," Thomas said. "She sees the floor really well. You can give her the ball and something really good is going to happen."

Nixon can go from end to end, but Thomas also recognizes Nixon's abilities off the court. Thomas appreciates

"Of course it's nice (for teams) to recognize me as a threat."

Ta'Kenya Nixon, freshman guard

Nixon and the freshmen supplying energy to the seniors.

"I think they help us remember how to have fun with (basketball)," Thomas said. "It's cool to be reminded how energetic and how fun it is. It's been a blast and Ta'Kenya has been a huge part of that. She really enjoys the game. And that's more important than anything."

On the court, it is easy to see why Nixon is a threat. She is on the top of scouting lists.

She has been OVC Freshman of the Week four times and OVC Player of the Week two times.

OVC coaches try to make adjustments, but the Michigan City, Ind., native still finds a way for her team to win.

"We did a decent job on her in the first half and we knew in the sec-

ond half, she was going to turn it up a notch," Eastern Kentucky head coach Chrissy Roberts told the *Richmond Register* after last week's ECU loss to the Panthers. "She's a very nice player. They've got a very nice team. She makes them tick. It's huge when you have somebody at the point guard position that's going to run it."

Nixon's fine with an opponent stopping her.

"Of course, it's nice (for teams) to recognize me as a threat," Nixon said. "I don't feel like they stop me. We win anyway. That's OK. It's not about stopping me. It's about stopping my team."

Nixon tries to learn from every time she's with Sallee, whether that is a film session, practice or a game.

She does not settle for the status quo.

"I feed off his energy and enthusiasm," Nixon said. "I know I made the right decision. I don't think I could play for any other coach."

Sallee talks to his players about playing between the ears and playing on an even keel.

Nixon displayed that last week in two critical road games.

"I kept everybody calm," she said. "Let them get hyped. We celebrate at the right time. We don't celebrate on every shot."

The Nixon-Sallee relationship has been critical to the success of the team.

"It makes it a lot easier to play when you know what your coach wants from you," Nixon said. "Us being on the same page helps our relationship and it helps the team's relationship. It's easy to play when you have that type of understanding."

And Sallee recognizes that. "She handles me really well, and that's always tough to do," he said.

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VOLLEYBALL



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Alan Segal, shown here during practice on Aug. 31, 2009, resigned after one season as volleyball head coach. Segal, who was hired in January 2009 to replace Lori Bennett, finished 11-20 in his one season as coach, including a 4-13 record in Ohio Valley Conference play.

Segal resigns after one season as coach

Cites numerous reasons for his decision to leave

By Alex McNamee
Assistant Sports Editor

Eastern's volleyball team is without head coach Alan Segal as of Wednesday, following his resignation in which he cited a desire to pursue other professional opportu-

nities in a press release Wednesday.

Segal, who was hired to his former position in January 2009, led the Panthers to an 11-20 record in his only season as the Panther's head coach.

The former coach said there are numerous reasons for his decision, including the fact he wants to do many other things in his life.

"I really enjoyed my time at Eastern," Segal said. "I really liked the team and the girls, but I have other interests in my life and other

things that I'd like to do."

If coaching is still in the cards for Segal, he said there are five to six job opportunities he has been looking at.

"I know that the University of California-Davis has a job open and the University of San Diego has a job open, and probably five or six other jobs," Segal said.

A native of Los Angeles, the two coaching positions in Segal's home state are attracting him, especially
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WOMEN'S BASKETBALL VS. MURRAY STATE, 5:30 P.M.

Panthers return home atop OVC standings

Team looks to control boards against Racers

By Alex McNamee
Assistant Sports Editor

After a two-game road trip that saw Eastern (10-8, 6-1 in the Ohio Valley Conference) take first place in the OVC conference, the Panthers return home for two games beginning tonight against Murray State (8-10, 3-4 OVC) 5:30 p.m. in Lantz Arena.

"We're excited to play in front of our family and friends again," senior guard Ashley Thomas said. "We play really well in Lantz, so we always love being at home."

Eastern is 5-2 at home this season and is looking to keep protecting its stomping grounds. According to head coach Brady Sallee, the Panthers have been through three good days of practice leading up to the game.

"We've focused quite a bit on what Murray State does and defending with that in mind," Sallee said. "I think we've gotten better from three days of working and we understand what they do and how we have to defend it."

Although Murray State is the seventh-place team in the OVC, Sallee said he still expects a competitive matchup.

"I've been really impressed with what I've seen on film with them because they are running the same system even though they lost some great players," Sallee said.

Sallee said three of the players who have stepped up for the Racers are sophomore guard Rachael Isom and senior guards Mallory Luckett and Kayla Vance.

Isom leads the team in points per game with 12.4. Vance and Luckett are the team's other double-digit scorers, averaging 10.9 ppg and 10.2 ppg respectively.

"They're going to give us some



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Freshman guard Kelsey Wyss goes for a layup against Tennessee Tech freshman forward Kylie Cook on Jan. 4 in Lantz Arena. The Panthers host Murray State at at 5:30 p.m. Friday in Lantz Arena.

problems driving the ball," Sallee said. "They can all shoot it, and probably the most nerve-racking thing is that they're all thinking, 'score,' every time they touch it."

Senior forward Maggie Kloak said

no matter who Murray State has on its team, Eastern will not switch up its defensive mindset.

"We play our defense every night and we don't try to change things up no matter how many scorers they have

— that's the way we play," Kloak said.

Sallee said the Racers' offense is similar to Morehead State's because it is able to shoot from beyond the arc any time it wants.

"All of their perimeters are going

to catch it and look to score, but they throw the dribble-drive in more and look to score," Sallee said.

While Eastern will have to control the Racers' shooters, Sallee said there
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