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POWER OUTAGE

Campus without power for three hours

Power returned to campus after lights out during sunny afternoon

By Kayleigh Zyskowski
News Editor

Eastern was in the dark for a few hours yesterday after a campus-wide power outage that started at noon on Wednesday.

Electricity was returned to the north side of campus within three hours.

Ryan Siegel, the campus energy coordinator, said all of campus lost power just before noon because of a cable fault. The cable then caused a back feed, which blew out a set of fuses. The exact problem is yet to be determined.

The substation that gives power to the north side of campus is located between Greek Court and Seventh Street; this is where the fault in the wire was found. However, the back feed caused a fuse to blow at the substation that powers the south side of campus located between Greek Court and the Renewable Energy Plant.

Because of the different events that happened in each area, the power to the north side of campus was restored about an hour before the power to the south side.

The north side of campus was restored at about 1:30 p.m. by switching the feed to Ameren Illinois.

"It was rerouted," Siegel said.

Lee Morris, the spokesman for Ameren Illinois, said this is a basic function of an electrical distribution system.



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Noel Brodsky teaches his principles of macro economics class in the South Quad because the power outage Wednesday afternoon.

"They switched sources—instead of Eastern, Ameren Illinois became the source," Morris said. "For people on campus this makes no difference—electrons are electrons, electricity is electricity no matter where it comes from."

Changing the source of the power

is an easier process than changing a fuse, which explains the difference in times when each side of campus received power.

"Switching a source is a matter of flipping a switch," Morris said. "One person can do it. Switching feeds is a basic element of electricity distribu-

tion."

Once the faulty cable was isolated, the fuses were replaced to give power back to the South Quad by 2:30 p.m.

"Once the fault was identified and cleared, the south side of campus was restored," Siegel said.

Housing and Dining Services



See what students and professors had to say during the power outage.

put a variety of prepared plans into action when the power went out.

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APPORTIONMENT BOARD

Board to review presented budgets

By Erin Riedl
Staff Reporter

The Apportionment Board will be voting on the four previously tabled budget requests at today's meeting.

The Student Recreation Center and the student government gave their budget presentations at the March 3 meeting, but their requests were tabled for further review.

The Rec. is asking for the same amount of money as last year, which totals to \$220,000, and supports all aspects of the Rec., which includes \$180,000 for student employment.

"It's money going back to the students," said Ken Baker, the director of the Rec. Center, according to the March 4 issue of *The Daily Eastern News*.

Baker also said the Rec. is asking for a lot less money compared to what other universities spend for similar programs.

The student government is asking

for an \$11,061 increase over last year, which would be a total of \$60,666.

"This is exactly how much money we need to operate the board," said Student Body President Michelle Murphy, according to the March 4 issue of *The Daily Eastern News*.

Murphy said the increases come from an increase in tuition and the Conference on Student Government Associations.

During the March 10 meeting, the AB saw two budget presentations that were given by the University Board and the AB itself.

The UB asked the AB for more than \$10,000 for next year's budget.

The production committee of the UB is asking for \$3,925 more, which adds up to a total of \$13,725 making it the UB's largest budget increase.

The UB productions committee is asking for money to purchase two subwoofers and two top speakers.

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STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS

Fashion show a worldly experience

By Seth Schroeder
Activities Editor

Spring break may be over, but students will still get the chance to experience a trip to Africa today.

The African Student Association will host "A Journey to Africa Fashion Show" at 7 p.m. in the Grand Ballroom of the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union.

Jorjoh Joof, a junior early child-

hood education major and treasurer for ASA, said the show was organized to give the feel of Africa. She also said it will give students a chance to pretend they are taking a plane to Africa.

"We were trying to get creative this year since we knew more students would be involved," Joof said. "(We wanted to) make it more exciting for the models and the audience."

Semhal Hailu, a freshman nursing major and secretary of ASA, said that

the tickets being sold will look like airline tickets to help enhance the atmosphere.

Tickets will be sold for \$5 in advance and \$7 at the door.

Joof said the proceeds will go to the Red Pump Project. She said it is an organization founded by someone from Africa, and it raises money for HIV/AIDS and other diseases currently affecting Africa.

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CITY RELATIONS

Mayor Inyart to meet, eat with students

By Nike Ogunbodede
Student Government Editor

The annual Lunch with the Mayor will take place from 11-12:30 p.m. today in Stevenson Tower Dining.

Whether it deals with the lowering of Charleston's bar entry age, the low economy or Charleston laws, Mayor John Inyart will be on campus to answer student questions and perhaps ask a few of his own.

The lunch is organized by student government members.

At the start of the semester, Tommy Nierman, the chairman of the student external relations committee, said he wanted to help build better relations between Eastern students and the citizens of Charleston.

This lunch is a good start, Nierman said.

"We do this every year because it helps students find out more about

the community," said Nierman, a junior business management major. "(Inyart) is very down to earth; you can talk to him very casually."

The Lunch with the Mayor meetings usually takes place in the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union Food Court.

"We figured we'd maybe be able to attract more students out in the open," Nierman said. "It doesn't cost anything."

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EIU weather

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FRIDAY

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what's on tap

THURSDAY

5 p.m. RHA meeting
The Residence Hall Association will meet in Lawson Hall.

7 p.m. African fashion show
The African Student Association is putting on its annual fashion show titled A Journey to Africa. Tickets cost \$5 in advance or \$7 at the door and all proceeds go to the Red Pump Project, which raises awareness about HIV/AIDS in young women. For ticket information contact Jorjok Joof at jkjoof@eiu.edu or 773-396-1724.

FRIDAY

Noon Interdisciplinary lunch
The Center for Translational Humanities and the Faculty Development office will host its monthly meeting in the Edgar Room of the Booth Library.

7 p.m. UB movie "Tangled"
The University Board will show the movie "Tangled" in the Buzzard Hall Auditorium.

SATURDAY

7 p.m. Benefit dance
The Gowin Parc Alzheimer's Facility and the Academy of Lifetime Learning are hosting an Alzheimer Benefit Dance in the Grand Ballroom of the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union. Tickets cost \$10 and \$5 for Eastern students and Academy members. Proceeds will benefit the Alzheimer Association.

If you want to add to the tap, please e-mail dennewsdesk@gmail.com or call 581-7942.

ONLINE



Blog: Twitter fever

Twitter has sucked in the assistant online editor Christopher O'Driscoll. Read his blog at DENnews.com for details.

Podcast: LEAD

Online Sports Director Doug T. Graham will be talking with members of the new Student Senate political party LEAD.



More stories online

- Three students to perform with the U.S. Army Field Band Jazz Ambassadors today
- Find out about RHA's Spring Fling Karaoke night in Lawson Hall

A bright idea



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Mollie Rogers (left), a freshman communications disorders major, and Cecilia Maldonado (right), a freshman psychology major, throw a fox tail across the South Quad Wednesday during a campus-wide power outage.

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2004 After the deadline night club disasters in Chicago and New Jersey in 2003, Charleston firefighters delivered new occupancy rating signs to local bars. The ratings were based on examinations by the Charleston Fire Department.

1998 A fact-finding hearing to determine whether Eastern administrators engaged in regressive bargaining was canceled, because the university was late in responding to the allegations.

1983 An Eastern official said a lack of awareness of the decline in Eastern's minority student enrollment could be a major contributing factor to the decrease. Since 1979 Eastern's minority enrollment declined by 2 percent.

NATIVE AMERICAN CULTURE

Reservation aid focus of new RSO

By Dominick Polito
 Staff Reporter

A new registered student organization on campus is trying to further the knowledge of Native American traditions while also reaching out to Native American communities.

The Native American Intertribal Council of EIU is reaching out to Pine Ridge, a Native American reservation that is in direct need of electrical options.

"We wanted Native American cultures to be represented so that we understand who Native Americans really are," said Rebecca Franz, the RSO's president.

A number of families are currently without electricity because they were unable to pay their bills.

"Rebuilding Pine Ridge will be our first goal," said Franz, a communication studies major.

Although Pine Ridge is the eighth largest reservation in the United States. It is also the poorest. Pine Ridge is located in South Dakota and people on the reservation are estimated to have a life expectancy of 45 years.

Unemployment on the reservation is currently between 80 and 85 percent, and 49 percent live below the federal poverty level, Franz said.

Franz also said many families have no electricity, telephone, running water or sewage systems.

Many families on reservations choose to use wood stoves to heat their homes.

This year NAIC-EIU's goal will be toward solar energy as the reservations main electric source, Franz said.

"(We are) working toward transporting a buffalo herd to the people so they can feed themselves," Franz said.

Having such a far distance between families on the reservation, specific needs are necessary such as electricity.

"The electric company charges a lot of money and it is our job to propose solar energy," Franz said.

She said in order for a group to make a difference at Eastern, there must be diversity in each student council.

"Now having an RSO for an organization allows the program to do more," said Ed Hotwagner, the chairman of the student affairs committee for the student government.

For more information on the organization and meeting times visit the Facebook page for future announcements.

"It is not required for one to have Native American blood to become a member or to participate, only that you have a Native heart," Franz said.

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 Tribe member Oongfeather does a "sneak-up" as part of a pow-wow performed in Terra Haute, Ind. in 2010. The Native American Intertribal Council, a new registered student organization on campus, plans to organize a yearly pow-wow as a club.

STUDENT SENATE

Students bond through planning

By Rachel Rodgers
 Campus Editor

The student government became the first organization to assist with phase two of the Collaborative Strategic Planning process during audience participation in its meeting Wednesday.

Terri Fredrick, an associate English professor and member of the Strategic Planning Committee, said the main goal of the Collaborative Strategic Planning is to come up with a strategic plan for the university for the next five to 10 years that includes the contribution of as many people as possible.

The Student Senate members were separated into groups to write suggestions for SWOT (strengths, weaknesses, opportunities and threats), categories.

Two of the Eastern strengths suggestions were the price of tuition and the interaction between students and teachers. Two weaknesses chosen by the senate members include school spirit and campus beautification.

Miriam Torres, a senate member and senior political science and history major, said the Collaborative Strategic Planning activity helped the student government to bond while contributing to an important project.

"Everyone seemed to bond and I heard senators speak who I have never heard talk before," Torres said.

During the meeting, two proposals were passed and one proposal was tabled. Funding for plaques and food for the Student's Distinguished Professor Award Reception was unanimously approved in the amount of \$273.35.

A \$571.50 travel accommodations proposal for members of the Student Action Team to go to the Illinois Board of Higher Education was tabled.

An elections reform proposal was deemed as emergency legislation and was approved by a unanimous vote.

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POETRY

Famous poet to make appearance on campus

By Logan Green
 Staff Reporter

With more than 40 collections of poetry published and a handful of awards in her grasp poet Diane Wakoski knows the written word.

At 7 p.m. today in the Doudna Fine Arts Center Lecture Hall, Wakoski will be reading selections from her work in poetry.

"Wakoski is a wonderful poet," said Dana Ringuette, the chairman of the English department. "She's been writing for a long time and it's really an honor to have her on campus."

During the reading, Wakoski, a creative writing professor at Michigan

University, will be reciting selections from her various works of poetry, from a career that spans over 40 years.

Wakoski gained notoriety following the publication of "The Motorcycle Betrayal Poems" in 1971. The collections, frank depictions of human relationships and the confusing qualities of romance, brought her a great deal of fame following its publication.

Wakoski's untraditionally structured poems most often deal with failed relationships, troubled childhoods and the very question of being human.

"Wakoski is a prominent poet who has had a long controversial career," said John Martone, a professor in the English department. "Her writing is

a very spontaneous style that is very congenial to the way that people speak about our loveless times."

Preceding the poetry reading there will be a conversation opportunity held in Room 4440 in the Booth Library at 4 p.m. The discussion is open to the public.

"Everyone is welcome," Ringuette said. "Students, faculty and people in the community can all get a chance to speak with Wakoski about her work."

The reading, sponsored by the English department, will be part of the Mary Coon Cottingham Visiting Writers Series. The series, an endowment that brings writers and scholars on campus to speak about litera-

ture and writing, has brought in such writers as Rosmarie Waldrop and Adam Waldrop, and poet Adam Zagajewski to campus.

After the reading the Women's Studies Program will have a reception for the event at the Paper Café as a part of Women's History and Awareness Month, where there will be refreshments and music.

What students will get if they attend this event is a prime sense of the counter culture and the first wave of feminist poetry in this country, Martone said.

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STAFF EDITORIAL

Don't panic; file FAFSA by Friday

Quit freaking out! There is still time to get that MAP grant, worth as much as \$4,968, if you file your FAFSA by Friday.

OK, so you were putting off filling out your FAFSA for a while. You figured, "Whatever, I'll do it after break. I'm fine. Last year, the deadline to receive a MAP grant was April 15." Then you opened your Panthermail when you got back to campus and saw the email notification from the Eastern financial aid office, notifying you that the deadline had been moved back to Monday, the very same day you were reading the message.

That's when you lost it. Thoughts raced. First you got confused. This can't be right, this must be the earliest deadline in MAP history. What unprecedented circumstances could have possibly resulted in such an early deadline?

You read on. The email, which seemed to have a snooty answer for everything, read "The March 21 suspension date, which is the earliest in MAP history, is the result of an unprecedented number of early applicants."

Next, you flew into a rage. You threw your laptop (the one you bought with last year's MAP money) to the floor and stomped on it repeatedly as you screamed, "It's just not fair! Break means I don't have to check my email. I'm pretty sure that's a law. There is no way I can get all my tax forms in order. I don't have time to fill out my FAFSA now!"

Finally, you accepted the truth. Fate's brutal blade had carved your future to bits. You needed that money for next year's tuition. You resolved that you were a victim of circumstance and began to arrange the pathetic pieces of your doomed future that, only days before, seemed so bright.

Maybe you opted for a humble, monastic existence. You shaved your head and sold your once-flowing locks to buy a toga and a book on Harri-Krishna, dedicating yourself to a life of playing a tambourine at the airport.

Maybe you chose a life of crime. You know a guy who knows some guys who have a connection to the black-market pen cartels. Maybe you plan to make a killing selling pens on campus, and hope to skip town before they all start leaking ink. But fellow Panthers, please, we beg you to hear our cry: the MAP grant deadline has been extended through Friday. The good people of the Illinois Student Assistance Commission extended the deadline after reevaluating the amount of money they had to give out, and also because the FAFSA website was out of service last weekend.

Honestly, it does not take long to fill out the FAFSA. Jerry Donna, director of the office of financial aid at Eastern, told *The Daily Eastern News* that it takes 45 minutes, at most. But most of us filled ours out in less than 15 minutes. Currently, 3,096 Eastern students receive MAP grants. Earlier this year, the state cut 5 percent from the MAP grants. Again, relax. Eastern covered the difference for its students.

So chill. Seriously, you are freaking people out. Your life isn't over...yet.

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COLUMN

We survived outage, no thanks to EIU Alert

In the April 16, 2008, issue of *The Daily Eastern News*, Ashley Mefford reported on a brand-new security system Eastern had put in place some days before in an effort to better inform students and faculty on campus of emergency situations.

The story, titled "New alert system inspires interest," focused on the University's effort to promote the new system to students. That 3-year-old security system was the EIU Alert text messaging service, something the University has apparently given up on.

At no point during the campus-wide power outage did the University use the EIU Alert text messaging service.

The only word the university gave on the matter as it happened was when it updated its Facebook status with "We will post information on the campus-wide power outage as we get it. Stay tuned."

Although students on campus were able to access the Internet via laptop or mobile phone, posting information on the University's Facebook page is not as effective as using the service that they told students was so important three years ago.

Speaking of the University's home page, to my knowledge the page wasn't updated with any new information until around 2 p.m. when it was updated to say that power was still out in several buildings, that the power outage was caused by blown fuses at



Doug T. Graham

the electrical switch yard, and that students should seek out their instructors to find out if class was canceled.

Around 3 p.m., they announced all power had been restored.

Eastern's administrative officials should be ashamed that they failed to inform the student population via EIU Alerts.

By not using the service, they left people quite literally in the dark without direction or information on what was happening and what they should do about it.

From what I saw, students did not panic. The only anguished face I saw was that of someone who'd just lost an email they were working on when the power went out.

I am very proud of how the students and faculty of Eastern reacted to the power outage without any direction from Eastern's administration.

Instructors took their students outside to finish classes in the sunshine. People barred from entering the powerless Martin Lu-

ther King Jr. University Union food court shrugged and walked to local restaurants like Georgie Boy's and Planet Wiener.

The sight in the Library Quad was perhaps the most precious—the sun shone on a flock of students lounging on the Doudna steps, the sounds of a group of four flute players practicing together mingled with the percussionists who had thrown open the sliding doors of their practice room to let in the light and let out their drum beats.

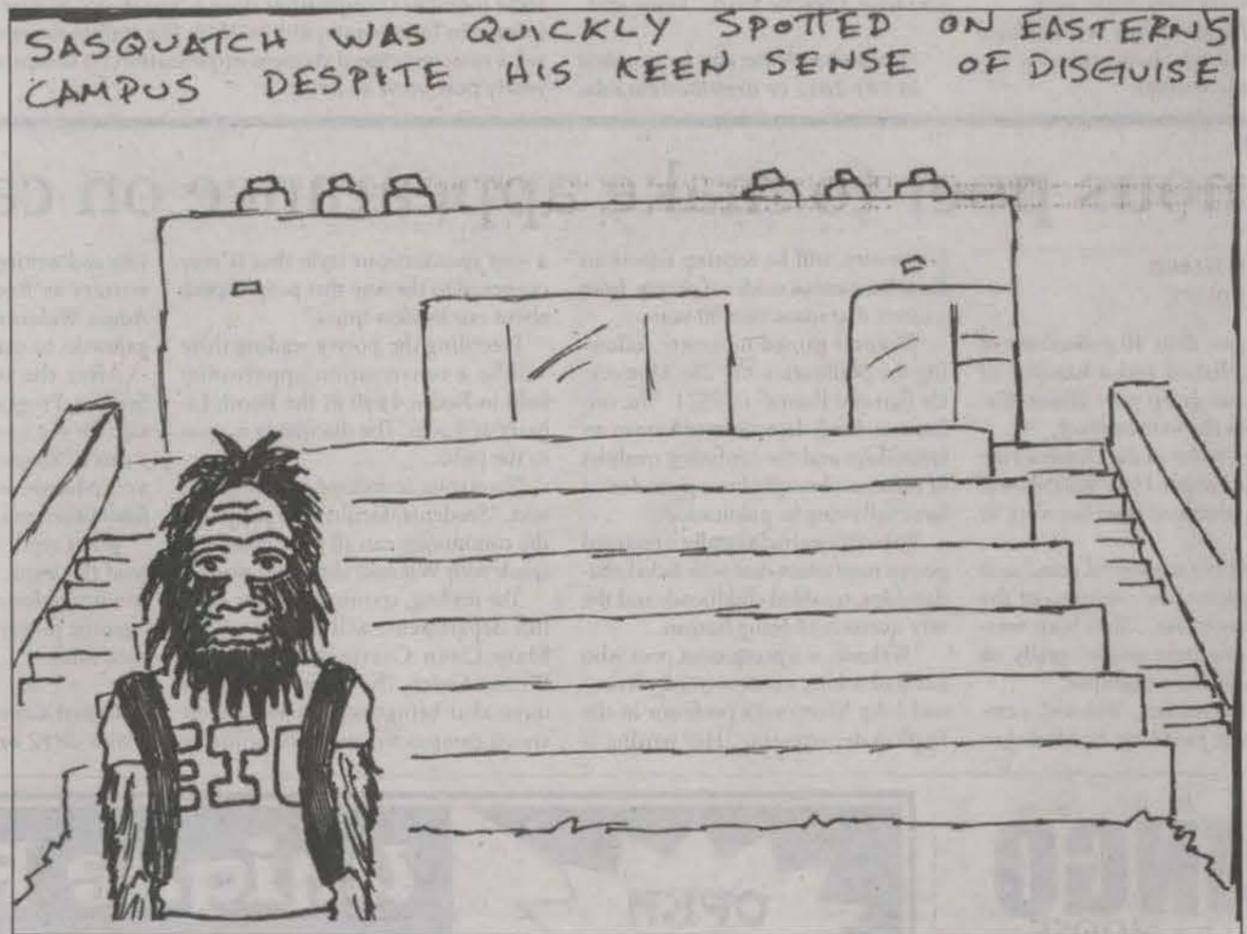
While those relaxing in the quad didn't need a text message from EIU Alerts to reassure them of anything, I'm sure the poor students that the power outage trapped in elevators would have liked to know that their elevator hadn't stopped because the building was on fire, or a tornado was imminent or any other horrific scenarios that may have gone through their heads.

Eastern neglected to use its own security tools to share crucial information to potentially distressed students and faculty.

I hope in the future they do as they proved capable of doing when the bomb squad was called in to investigate the suspicious package at Health Services in January and inform students with the EIU Alerts text message service.

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FROM THE EASEL



GARRETT GOBEN | THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Previous editor reflects on DEN's motto

To the Editor:
As a reporter, editor, photographer, page designer, columnist, editorial author, art director and editorial cartoonist for *The Daily Eastern News*, I attracted my fair share of wrath from readers; however, I consider my body of work from 1990-95 fairly well received — only one death threat.

While smoking cigarettes in the press room - yeah, that happened - we would-be journalists often made fun of our paper's motto in light of such threats and negative reader reactions.

"Tell the truth and run like hell." That was always my favorite.

I guess I didn't realize until I left the

DEN for another professional newsroom how that motto was not a throw-away sentiment for a kid paper.

It's a simple and profound definition of the role of the press in America; it's the one we ought to be playing, as opposed to the partisan political shilling that passes for objective journalism.

At the risk of sounding like Charles Foster Kane, that motto is the job description that readers expect of us. The only papers thriving today are the ones who declare, "Local, community journalism is the franchise," and use new media to further that goal.

The more local we become, the more we have to stand bravely by what we say.

If it wouldn't interfere with the style, perhaps that treasured motto could find its place in the masthead of your online version.

Let it remind the writers and readers alike that there is something more important than the flashy design of the main page - we don't teach it much, but it's called philosophy: You may not like what you read, but you should know the people who wrote it stand by it ... we call it the truth.

Rich Bird,
Class of 1995
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POWER OUTAGE

Trapped students adjust routines

Staff Report

The power outage that occurred on Wednesday across campus left students and faculty in the dark about what to do with the sunny afternoon.

Students found themselves stuck in the elevator for the few minutes after the outage began.

Kristyn Grice, a sophomore elementary education major and a desk assistant at Lawson Hall, said a few people were stuck in the elevator for about 10 minutes before the electrician came to get them out.

Crystal Johnson, a sophomore nursing major, said she was caught in one of the Lawson Hall elevators while going up to the fifth floor.

"It was shocking and my breath was taken away," Johnson said.

Andrews Hall had one person in an elevator for about five minutes.

Ruth Hoberman, a professor from the English department, was in Coleman Hall with a group of professors at about 1:30 p.m.

"It's striking for the power to go

out two semesters in a row," Hoberman said referring to the power outage that occurred in November 2010 throughout the South Quad.

Joy Kammering, a professor from the history department, was studying for her graduate proposal in her office on the second floor of Coleman Hall when the power went out.

"I just can't read," Kammering said.

Karla Drum is the catering supervisor for Panther Catering when the power went out disrupting an order.

"We were actually in the middle of setting up a lunch so we had to carry our hot (bins) up two flights of stairs," Drum said.

Drum said the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union Food Court and the Scheduling Office helped them carry their orders.

"We had a lunch for 80 on the second floor," she said. "Luckily it was a pretty slow day."

With the last weeks of school rapidly approaching, Tiffany Johnson, a sophomore biological sciences major, and other Eastern students gath-

ered at Booth Library to finish up assignments. Johnson was studying for a chemistry test with a friend.

"Two or three emergency lights came on, but they weren't bright enough," she said. "I just had to adjust to the dark."

The power outage resulted in numerous class cancellations, but several professors opted to teach outside.

Jon Joiner, a sophomore business major, and James Zizzo, a sophomore business marketing major, are both in Principles of Macro Economics. Noel Brodsky, a professor of economics, teaches the class. When Coleman Hall was closed and evacuated, rather than canceling class Brodsky decided to teach in the hall's courtyard.

Zizzo said one of his previous classes in Lumpkin Hall was canceled, but he did not mind going to class.

"When I got there the alarm was going off so I assumed the class was canceled," Zizzo said. "I'm paying for class; I might as well have it."

POWER, from page 1

All dining centers remained open by taking E numbers by hand instead of using the Panther Card swiping systems, Hudson said.

"All of the numbers will be entered into the system by hand later so we have a count from the day," Hudson said.

The dining operations had curtailed menu options since different cooking apparatuses were not available, said Mark Hudson, the director of Housing and Dining Services.

"The outage happened at high noon so a lot of the food preparation was done," Hudson said. "From what I understand it worked out well and they were prepared with enough food to last through the outage."

For example, at the Taylor Dining Center, just before noon they had made enough chicken strips to last

over 30 minutes.

"It's a process we use called 'just-in-time cooking' so everything is fresh but ready," Hudson said.

However, in the Stevenson Tower Dining Center, the Stevenson Grill side was closed while the deli side remained opened without the panini presses.

The Union Food Court and the Java Beanery & Bakery were both closed for about an hour, because the food and drinks are prepared as requested and the register system is different.

Hudson said the department has a protocol for the student housing buildings for when the power goes out, and each staff member is trained for this sort of emergency.

"The staff needs to be moving through the building," Hudson said.

"This is to answer questions and to talk to the residents about the situation."

Kelsey Brandt, a junior psychology major and resident assistant at Pemberton Hall, said the RAs were asked to complete continuous rounds during the outage.

"We are doing this to check for fires and to make sure everything is OK," Brandt said. "We'll do this until we hear from one of our directors."

The power source to the north side of campus will continue to be Ameren Illinois until the cable is fixed.

"Until they fix their system and can provide their own power we are glad to keep the power on and keep the campus running," Morris said.

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BOARD, from page 1

The UB comedy committee is asking for \$23,930, which will be up \$3,400 from this year, making it the second largest increase.

The UB is asking for a total of \$257,928 for next year.

Alyssa Anderson, the vice chair of the UB, said this increase comes with the idea to bring more well known acts to campus, according to the March 11 issue of *The Daily Eastern News*.

Also at the March 10 meeting, an outline of the AB's budget was presented.

The board is asking for a \$1,550 increase, which makes its budget a total of \$25,500.

"Most of the AB's budget goes to the reserve account, some of it goes to our secretary's payroll, because she

takes our minutes," said Ashley Hoogstraten, the chairwoman of the AB. "There are five line items in the budget, but most of it is just for the reserve account."

AB's adviser, Ted Hart, said an increase in the civil service salary and group insurance led to the budget increase.

The meeting will start at 7 p.m. today in the Arcola-Tuscola Room located in the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union.

"Whoever's budget gets cut must come back next week and present a re-worked budget to the board," Hoogstraten said.

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MAYOR, from page 1

This year, Student Senate member Caleb Will was put in charge of bringing Inyart to campus.

"I met the mayor at one of the city council meetings; it was kind of nice to see them do their thing," said Will, a freshman engineering major. "He was happy to come and talk to students if they wanted him to."

In the past, the lunches have been met with less than expected student attendance but Nierman said

he thinks the changing of the venue could help boost student numbers.

Will said he hopes 20 people show up to talk to Inyart.

"We go to this town and this school, why not get to know the mayor?" Will said. "He is a really down to earth guy."

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FASHION, from page 1

Not only are the members of ASA selling tickets for the show, but Joof said the models for the show have been selling tickets. She said that the show has 20 to 25 models and ASA had tryouts two months ago for anyone interested in wearing African cloth garments.

Hailu and Joof will also be modeling African clothes for the show.

"It's all for Africa. African fashion is very unique because you have different prints, different styles and different colors," Joof said. "Very rarely do outfits look the same unless it is done on purpose. Like for a wedding."

Joof also said students can expect

to see a variety of types of fashions from Western and Eastern Africa. She said there will also be dancing, spoken word poetry, and scenes to resemble African life.

"We want to get the campus to know what the continent of Africa is like, and to eliminate stereotypes of Africa in people's minds," Joof said. "ASA is very close, like one big family. We would like all students to come out and be a part of our family."

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BASEBALL



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Freshman Charlie Dryden sets up to hit the ball March 8 in a tennis game against Kaskaskia College. The team lost 7-0 Wednesday in a match against Jacksonville State.

Gamecocks overwhelm Panthers

By Seamus Riley
 Staff Reporter

The Eastern Illinois men's tennis team took to the road on Wednesday to Jacksonville, Ala., to start their two-game home series.

Eastern had an opportunity to start its two game home series versus Eastern Kentucky and Morehead State off a win. The chance was given to the team, but was certainly not taken advantage of and they met a surprise in

Alabama.

The Panthers lost, 7-0 from an overwhelming Gamecock squad. Now 2-10 on the season, the team must play well salvage the season.

The team looked toward juniors Matyas Hilgert and Jamie Firth to provide the backbone of the team on Wednesday but both fell short in their matches along with all of their fellow teammates.

Head coach John Blackburn does have the benefit of two consecutive

home games on March 26 and March 27. He also has the benefit of two more home games before the conference championship series begins on April 15.

The next three weeks are a crucial time for the young Panther squad.

The Eastern men's tennis team has six more games before the pinnacle of the Ohio Valley Conference Championship.

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GOALS, from page 8

During the streak, Sallee said the team figured out how to follow the game plan.

"We had a team that said, 'OK, whatever you ask us to do we are going to do and we'll live with the results,'" Sallee said. "You saw us playing as close to our potential as we did all year."

Next season, the Panthers look forward to getting healthier with the return of freshman guard Jackie Herman, who sat out most of the season with a knee injury, freshman guard

Jessica Parker, who struggled with knee problems throughout the season, and junior guard Stephanie Benninger, who was also injured.

"It will add depth to our roster because Jackie and Jess are good shooters," Wyss said.

Sallee said getting those players healthy will help the team from the perimeter, with Parker and Herman being talented three-point shooters.

Red-shirt freshman forward Katlyn Payne will be eligible to play for Eastern

in the middle of next season, and will also add perimeter depth, Sallee said.

Payne transferred to Eastern from Florida-Gulf Coast in January.

The Panthers finished 18-13 this season, third in the OVC in the regular season. For the second straight year, the Panthers played in a national postseason tournament.

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WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

Crunk competed with foot injury for half of season

By Alex McNamee
 Staff Reporter

Jordyne Crunk has played in every game since Christmas with a stress fracture in her foot, but has still managed 24 minutes and seven points per game.

The freshman guard said it was the first time in her basketball career she has been injured, and the first time she has ever played injured.

She said she suffered the injury after Christmas, around the time of the Dec. 30 Valparaiso game, meaning she has played in 19 games since injuring her foot.

Crunk said Sam Laingen, a team trainer, told her she should get an X-ray on her foot; however, Crunk refused.

"I didn't want to have to sit out and miss time playing for the team," Crunk said.

With the trainer's advice, Crunk would not see a doctor. Not even at the request of her coaches or parents would she agree to it, Eastern head coach Brady Sallee said.

"I think she knew (she was hurt)," Sallee said. "In her mind, if she (saw a doctor), that was going to be it. She just refused to let anybody that could sit her down, sit her down."

Sallee said Crunk would not let him convince her to see a doctor.

Crunk said she was OK because she carried around a bottle of Tylenol with her everywhere she went.

In the women's basketball team's final game of the season, Crunk scored a career-high 20 points, which was the best on the team in the game. She played 33 of 40 minutes — second on the team.

"She (scored 20 points) and she was in pain the whole time," sophomore guard Ta'Kenya Nixon said. "I have a lot of respect for her when you look at what she did for us."

Crunk might have played hurt for 19 games, but Sallee said the most impressive part is she practiced five or six days a week.

"There in January and February, Jess (Parker) was hurt, Jackie (Herman) was hurt, Pilar (Walker) and Stephanie (Benninger) were hurt, those kids practiced every second of every practice — (Crunk) and Ta'Kenya and Kelsey (Wyss)," Sallee said.

Wyss said Crunk showed her unselfishness by playing in pain for so long.

"It showed that to her the team mattered more than how she was feeling," Wyss said.

After the season ended last Wednesday, Sallee said Crunk's parents finally convinced her to go to a doctor.

"I think her parents kind of said, 'OK, we're mom and dad and this is what's going to happen,'" Sallee said.

Given the production Crunk had during the season, on an injured foot, Sallee said he expects Crunk to bring even more to the table when she is healthy.

Sallee said Crunk is the type of player, who he can win a lot of games with at Eastern.

"You always want kids that are willing to run through that brick wall," Sallee said. "Her brick wall was a broken foot, and she played right through it."

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ILLINI, from page 8

Meredith Hackett, who is batting .387 in 23 games, leads the Illini. Hackett also has five home runs and 22 RBI's.

After Illinois, the Panthers will have a three-game series at home against Tennessee State; including a double-header on Saturday.

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BASEBALL

Schmitz has 'worst day' in years

By Brad Kupiec
Staff Reporter

The Panthers lost their final pre-Ohio Valley Conference game yesterday, falling 7-4 to Southern Illinois-Carbondale in what head coach Jim Schmitz called his worst day in 10 years with the Panthers.

Schmitz said he had no comment after a game which saw only three Panther starters play all nine innings, including senior shortstop Cam Strang, red-shirt junior designated hitter David Ciaglia and sophomore third-baseman Ryan Dineen.

The game started on a nostalgic note, as a framed jersey was presented to the widow of former Panther coach Dan Callahan, who lost his four-year battle with melanoma last November. Callahan coached at Eastern from 1989 to 1994 and had been the coach of Southern Illinois since 1995.

The game started off smoothly enough for the Panthers, as freshman left-handed starter Christian Slazinik retired the Salukis without allowing a run in the top of the first. The bottom of the first saw two Panther strikeouts by junior Zach Borenstein and red-shirt junior outfielder Ben Thoma. The second inning saw the Panthers unravel, as they allowed four runs,

three of them earned. The Panthers made three errors in the game, one each by Dineen, red-shirt junior first-baseman TJ McManus and sophomore second baseman Daniel Rowe.

After the second inning finally ended, Slazinik was pulled in favor of freshman right-hander Joe Greenfield, who went 2.2 innings and allowed two unearned runs on three hits.

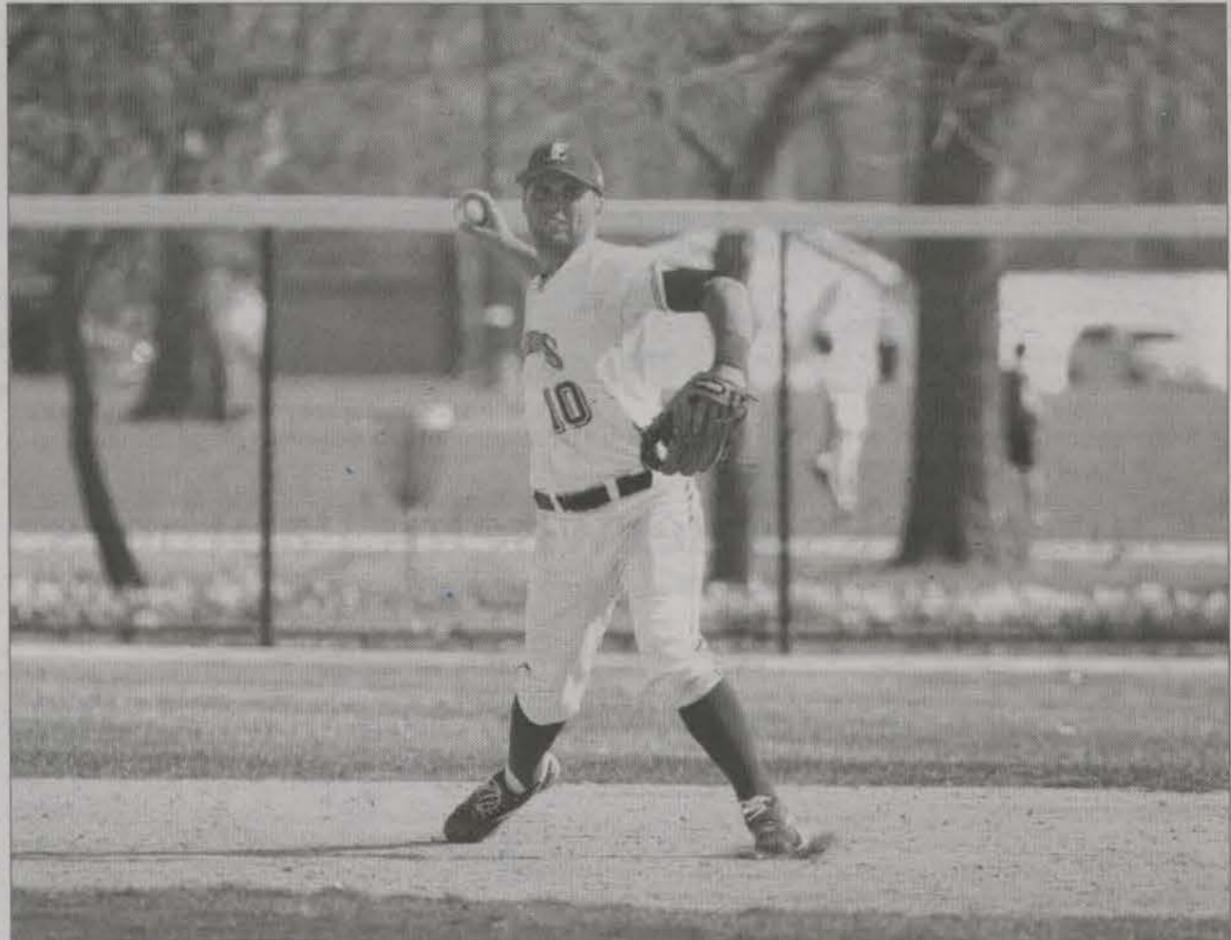
Eastern scored once in the fourth inning on an RBI single by freshman catcher Jacob Reese, and three in the sixth including a solo home run by freshman Tyler Schweigert for his first career hit.

The rest of the game was relatively uneventful, as the only other tally was scored off junior left-hander Adam Clark in the eighth inning.

The loss drops the Panthers to 4-13 on the season as they prepare to open their conference schedule this weekend at home against Eastern Kentucky.

Saturday's double header is set to begin at 1 p.m. against the Colonels, with Sunday's game set to begin at the same time in Coaches' Stadium.

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AUDREY SAWYER | THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS
Cam Strang, a senior shortstop, throws the ball to first base during the game against Southern Illinois University Carbondale Wednesday afternoon at Coaches Stadium.

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

Goals set going into offseason

Team desires championship, improved play

By Alex McNamee
Staff Reporter

The Eastern women's basketball team is adjusting to Thursdays and Saturdays without games to play.

The Panthers are entering this offseason with the same goal they have always had - to be better than they are now.

There are not any graduating seniors on this season's team; however, they only have one year left with the current roster.

"There is going to be pressure to win a championship and pressure to be better than we are right now," sophomore guard Ta'Kenya Nixon said.

With one year left with the current roster, Eastern head coach Brady Sallee said the team needs a sense of urgency to win a championship.

"We need to quit pooh-poohing our way around it and go get it done," Sallee said.

Sallee said the team had moments this season, which it played

with a sense of urgency, and played better than usual; however, he said there were also times when the team fell into a comfort zone.

Sallee said the sense of urgency to bring home a title from Nashville, Tenn. in the Ohio Valley Conference tournament has to start this offseason.

The Panthers were playing their best basketball to end the regular season, as they won nine games in a row.

After winning nine straight games to end the regular season, the Panthers lost their first game in the OVC tournament and their first game in the Women's Basketball Invitational.

During the streak, Sallee said the Panthers were doing a collection of things well.

"We were getting great production out of our five spot," Sallee said.

Sophomore forward Mariah King scored 18 or more points in six of the nine games of the winning streak.

Also, Sallee said Nixon, sophomore guard Kelsey Wyss and sophomore forward Sydney Mitchell were all averaging double-digit points during the streak.

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Ta'Kenya Nixon, a sophomore guard, makes her way around a Tennessee State player Jan. 27 in Lantz Arena.

SOFTBALL

Win streak in jeopardy against Illini

Staff Report

Eastern's softball team will attempt to extend its winning streak to 12 games, as the University of Illinois comes to Charleston for the Panthers' first home game.

The game has been moved up two hours and will now start at 3 p.m. The Panthers have posted a 16-5 overall record this year; however, they will face a determined Illinois team that has won 13 of the previous 14 matchups between these two teams.

The last and only time Eastern has beaten its in-state rival was at home in 2007.

The Panthers are riding a school-record 11 straight wins since becoming a Division I team, while Illinois is off to a rocky start, posting an 11-12 record. The Illini will also have a game Wednesday against another in-state rival, Southern Illinois, while the Panthers will be well rested. They have not played since Sunday, when they defeated Murray State 5-0.

Senior pitcher Amber May has been on a tear this season, winning all four of her games and winning her fifth career Ohio Valley Pitcher of the Week honor. Melise Brown leads the team in hitting with .409 average in 21 games.

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EASTERN SPORTS SCHEDULE

Softball
Thursday vs. Illinois
5 p.m. - Williams Field

NATIONAL SPORTS

NBA
Magic at Knicks
7 p.m. on ESPN

Men's Tennis
Wednesday vs. Jacksonville State
10 a.m. - Jacksonville, Ala.

NHL
Panthers at Blackhawks
7:30 p.m. on CSN

M&W Track
Saturday - SIU Edwardsville Quad Meet
TBA - Edwardsville

NBA
Spurs at Nuggets
9:30 p.m. on ESPN

Golf
Sunday - Western Illinois Invitational
All day - Macomb

MLB - Exhibition
Cardinals vs. Mets
12 p.m. on ESPN

Baseball
Sunday vs. Eastern Kentucky
1 p.m. at Coaches Stadium

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