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unlike any other

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Just for laughs



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Comedian Rob O'Reilly, former semi-finalist on NBC's America's Got Talent, performs at the MLK Union's 7th Street Underground on Jan. 24 on the Eastern Illinois Campus. O'Reilly also performed on Last Comic Standing and was featured in LA Weekly's Top 10 Comedy Acts to Watch in 2012.

STUDENT GOVERNMENT

Senate split on resolution

SOPA, PIPA  
key topics of  
discussion  
for meeting

By Amy Wywialowski  
Staff reporter

The Student Senate voted to table a resolution against the legislation for Stop Online Piracy Act and Protect Intellectual Property Act at its Wednesday meeting with a vote of 17-12.

“I’m livid and very disappointed with this student leader communi-

ty,” said John Poshepny, a Student Senate member who presented the resolution.

The resolution was co-authored by Poshepny along with Student Senate members Mitchell Gurick and Jenna Mitchell.

Poshepny’s comment came after the group presented their results of 99 letters signed by students in disagreement with the SOPA and PIPA. The group also presented a PowerPoint presentation that explained the proposals as well as the pros and cons of supporting it.

The members discussed and questioned the resolution, with many members questioning why there were not more letters signed

and urging the group to get more.

Gregory Schoonover, a newly inducted student senate member, voiced his support of SOPA and PIPA stating he would like to know more about students’ reasoning before voting on the resolution.

“Why are they against it? Are they just afraid they won’t be able to download illegally anymore?” Schoonover said, “I want to know the reasoning and be more informed.”

Student Senate Speaker Zach Samples told the members if they were to table it, he would expect more participation and focus from all of the members.

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CITY

Penalty Box owner  
could lose license

Mayor Inyart  
to make final  
decision

By Elizabeth Edwards  
News Editor

The Penalty Box Bar & Grill’s owner could lose his restaurant license or receive fines depending on the Charleston mayor’s decision.

At a hearing Wednesday, Mayor John Inyart serving as the city’s liquor commissioner heard evidence from the city attorney accusing the tavern of allegedly selling alcohol to an intoxicated person.

The tavern is also accused of not filing timely reports to the city for the class D restaurant license requirement and allegedly filing falsified reports.

Bars and taverns in Charleston are required to serve 51 percent food and 49 percent alcohol each month and submit quarterly reports to the city.

Brain Bower, city attorney, said during the hearing that Penalty Box owner Peter Christos did not file his quarterly reports for Jan. 1 2011 to Sept. 30, 2011 until after a complaint was filed.

Bower recommended the owner’s restaurant license be revoked while the owner’s defense attorney, Mark Bovard, asked for fines or a suspension of his license.

Mayor Inyart said he will decide what will happen to Christos’ license in five days in a written form to the owner.

During the trial, Sadie Baird, 19, testified that on Sept. 11, 2011 she used fake identification to gain access to the Penalty Box at around 11:30 p.m. and admitted to buying a shot at the bar. After receiving drinks from men at the bar, Baird had to be assisted out of the Penalty Box by a friend.

Baird admitted that she did not remember much from that evening and only remembered waking up in the hospital after becoming ill with alcohol poisoning.

Bovard asked Baird if she had any recollection of how long she spent at the Penalty Box. Baird responded that she did not know.

Charleston Police Officer Tom Boles testified that he saw several men trying to load an intoxicated female into their car on Sept. 11, 2011, in the parking lot of the Penalty Box. The female was later identified as Baird.

Boles said Baird was completely unconscious, almost lifeless when he saw her.

After asking Baird basic questions and getting barely no response, Boles said he called the fire department and an ambulance took Baird to the hospital, where it was later confirmed she had alcohol poisoning.

The defense attorney asked Boles if he ever saw Baird consuming alcohol in the Penalty Box and he responded no.

When Cristos testified, he said he was not aware of Baird until the complaint was filed in October. He said after reviewing the tapes at his business, he located Baird and admitted she looked inebriated before entering the bar.

City Comptroller Heather Kuykendall testified that when reviewing the initial reports of the license owner, the amount came to be exactly 51 percent food and 49 percent alcohol to the penny.

After further calculations by referencing the owner’s price sheets and alcohol invoices, Kuykendall estimated that the alcohol percent of sales was probably about 74 percent.

Defense attorney Bovard said the inconsistencies in the number are because of specials that the bar offers, waste and private functions.

The city withdrew a previous complaint of selling to person under the age 21.

The Penalty Box is located at 1419 Fourth St. in Charleston.

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CAMPUS

Eastern student prepares  
for ‘Jeopardy!’ debut

By Shelley Holmgren  
Editor-in-Chief

This past December, when most students were studying for finals or planning their holiday festivities, junior geography major Anne Rozek was also studying. Not just for her finals, though. She was preparing for her television debut on a little show called “Jeopardy!”

“Trust me, it was pretty insane,” Rozek said.

Rozek, a Cary, Ill. resident, was one of 15 players selected to compete in the “Jeopardy!” College Championship,

which took place on Jan. 5 and 6. This is the first time an Eastern student has made it to the championship.

Rozek was chosen from the nearly 12,000 students to compete for the \$100,000 grand prize. Rozek will make her television debut on Feb. 2.

As for the rest of the university finding out about her “Jeopardy!” debut, Anne said some untraditional methods were used.

“My mother literally marched into President Perry’s office and told him. I was behind her, mortified, pretending I didn’t know her,” Anne laughed. “It was

definitely a ‘mom-on-a-mission’ kind of thing.”

It all began with Rozek, her sister and father taking the 50-question quiz on the Jeopardy website over spring break last year.

“I honestly thought I bombed the test,” Rozek laughed. A family friend of Rozek’s had been a five-day champion on the show previously and spoke highly of the experience. As a long-time “Jeopardy!” fan, Rozek said she wasn’t expecting anything to come from taking the quiz.

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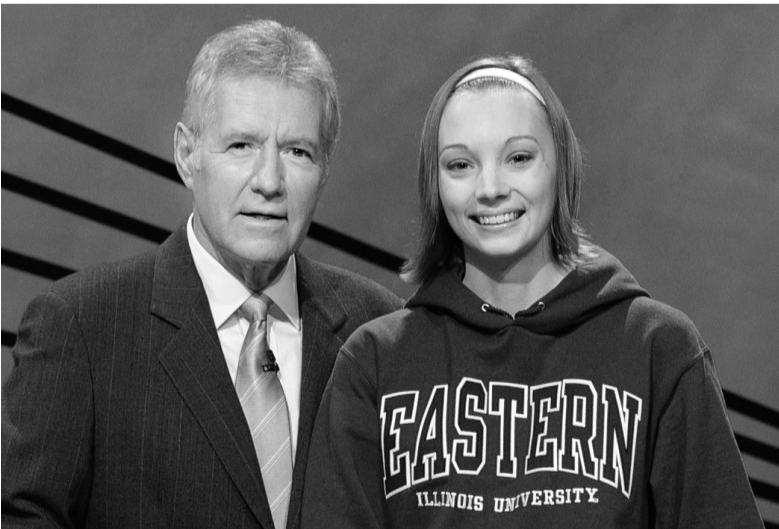



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Junior geography major Anne Rozek, pictured with “Jeopardy!” host Alex Trebek, recently competed on the 28th season of the game show, representing Eastern in the College “Jeopardy!” Tournament. Her episode will air Feb. 2.


# EIU weather

TODAY



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Low: 30°

FRIDAY



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## ONLINE

### Celebrity Smack Talk




In this week's Celebrity Smack talk, Dominic Renzetti dishes out the pain on Khloe Kardashian's real father and Miley Cyrus's penis-shaped birthday cake and the separation of the world's best voice.

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## How riveting!



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Kirbi Eckerty, junior 3D studio arts major, works on a riveting assignment for an introduction to jewelry class on Wednesday in the Dounda Fine Arts Center. The riveting assignment is a one piece item made out of non ferrous metal with the back made of aluminum. Eckerty decided to make the metal into a deer shaped pin.

## CAMPUS

# Students published in journal

By Emily Provance  
Staff Reporter

Three political science graduate students were published in the July-September 2011 issue of the Journal of Slavic Military Studies. Joseph Bell, Nathan Polak and Joshua Whitney were the published students.

Joseph Bell was published in the Journal of Slavic Military Studies for his review of the book "Allah's Angels: Chechen Women and War" by Paul J. Murphy.

Bell said the book seemed interesting and he had a background in political science and religious studies that allowed him to give a cogent review of the book.

"My advisor, Dr. (Ryan) Hendrickson in the Political Science Department, serves as the book review editor for the Journal of Slavic Military Studies," Bell said. "He received this book to review for this journal, and my undergrad degree was in religious studies (particularly studying Islam)."

Bell said the book "Allah's Angels: Chechen Women and War" is about

the situation Chechen women find themselves in.

"The book is a fairly long one, about 271 pages of text and analysis," Bell said. "The review serves as an aid for someone who may be interested in the topic, allowing them to read the review and see if the book is worth investing their time in."

The author focuses on a different aspect of a Chechen woman's life in each chapter, Bell said.

The book analyzes aspects of their lives, from the tradition of "bride stealing" to how the women who aided in Shamil Basayev's jihad against the Russian forces and the infamous "Black Widows," Bell said.

Nathan Polak was published in the Journal of Slavic Military Studies for his review of the book "The Rucksack War: U.S. Army Operational Logistics in Grenada, 1983" by Edgar F. Raines Jr.

When asked why Polak chose "The Rucksack War: U.S. Army Operational Logistics in Grenada, 1983," Polak said, "I had worked closely with a professor on a paper in which I was primarily responsible for researching the 1983 Grenada con-

flict; and thus, I have a great deal of knowledge on the subject. The opportunity presented itself to review a book on the subject and I gladly accepted the opportunity given my expertise."

The book "The Rucksack War: U.S. Army Operational Logistics in Grenada, 1983" is a comprehensive source of information concerning the political and military planning of the Grenada conflict, Polak said.

"Book reviews are often seen as a way for political scientists to contribute to the field as they distill the key concepts of a book into a short, easily-read article that also provides some critical analysis of the book itself," Polak said.

The text also offers considerable background information on Grenada itself, including the political environment preceding the conflict, Bell said. The main focus of the book, however, is on military planning.

Joshua Whitney was unavailable for comment.

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## RESIDENCE HALL ASSOC.

# RHA plans fundraising options

By Elizabeth Grubart  
Staff Reporter

Fundraising opportunities for the spring semester will be analyzed at the Residence Hall Association meeting today.

Rachel Fisher will be coming in to speak about an event called "29 Dollars in 29 Days," in which she will be handing out \$29 checks to each of the residence halls, the Greek Court, and the National Residence Hall Honorary.

The main purpose of this event is using the money for a wide variation of donations.

A few examples include purchasing food for the local shelter, buying clothes for the needy and other community contributions.

Members of RHA are forming another fundraising event to support the St. Baldrick's Foundation.

Nick Allen, a freshman pre-business management major and RHA member, talked about his plan-of-attack in order to raise money for this foundation.

"A few of us are going to be shaving our heads in the middle of the basketball court during the game at halftime to raise money and awareness about this foundation," Allen said.

"Everyone should be sure to check out the Facebook group that will be made soon so that students can vote for VIPs, such as the housing professional staff to get their heads shaved," he said.

He added that there will be big-ticket items and prizes for the top fundraisers.

The Charleston community will be involved in the fundraising, as well as the Coles County Sheriff's Office.

RHA members will be discussing different events coming up in the next semester such as "Kids and Friends Weekend" happening Feb. 24 to 25, "Social Justice and Diversity Week," and "Going Green" coming up later this semester.

Allen said RHA formed a constitution committee, so they will be using a new constitution to include the new positions of the General Assembly in a couple of weeks.

The meeting will be at 5 p.m. in Stevenson Hall.

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GET INVOLVED!

# Students find ways to get involved

By Samantha McDaniel  
Activities Editor

Filling free time may be as simple as joining a club, organization or creating a new one.

Ceci Brinker, director of the Student Life Office, said there are more than 200 clubs and organization for students to get involved with to fill their free time.

"I believe there is something that fits every student's niche on this campus if they are willing to initiate and start something," Brinker said.

Brinker said students can also join fee-driven organization like student government and the University Board.

"They learn how to deal with a budget, how to market, how to organize an event," Brinker said. "It also improves their communication skills and leadership skills."

Another way to get involved is by participating in events that are at the Student Recreation Center.

Brinker said a major way for students to get involved is by showing their school spirit.

"Showing school spirit and going to athletic events is a great way to get involved," Brinker said.

She said students can find on-campus clubs they are interested in by visiting the Student Life Office or the registered student organizations list on the Student Life website.

"(Students') outside-the-classroom experiences will make them a much more rounded person who's competing in the real world," Brinker said. "They've experienced different things; they've worked with different people."

Brinker said extracurricular activities can take up the time that students do not use in class or studying.

"Students are only in class an average of three to six hours and there are 24 hours a day, so there is a vast amount of free time that students have to account for," Brinker said.

Elena Scoggin, a senior English major, said she was a member of the English Club and is thinking about rejoining spring semester.

Scoggin said she finds other ways of getting involved by seeing what events are taking place.

"Anytime I see something fun or interesting, I try to schedule it in," Scog-



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Shelby Mileham, a junior psychology and health studies major, rebuilds a fence Saturday while winterizing the community garden behind the Charleston VFW. Winterizing involves pulling weeds and putting down tarp and mulch, Mileham said.

gin said.

Scoggin said because students are away from home, they need something to do to fill their free time.

"If you live on campus, it's easy to get bored and lonely," Scoggin said. "Yeah, we have homework, but that doesn't take up 24 hours a day."

Rachel Fisher, director of Student Community Service, said another great way to get involved on campus is by volunteering through Student Community Service.

Student Community Service is designed to allow students interested in specific topics to take their passion and positively express it, Fisher said.

"What's really great about a lot of different options and different ways to get involved on campus that with so many different venues, you can really find what you are passionate about," Fisher

said. "And you can also try some things."

She also said by volunteering, students live up to Eastern's name.

"It is what it means to be EIU," Fisher said. "We are living our legacy and part of our legacy is service."

To get involved with volunteering students can email [volunteer@eiu.edu](mailto:volunteer@eiu.edu) and they will be placed on a list to receive a weekly letter with upcoming volunteer opportunities.

"(Service) gives students the opportunity to fully discover who you really are and who you really want to be," Fisher said.

Brinker said student involvement has less to do with the opportunities given and more to do with the drive of individual students.

"The key to students getting involved is they have to take the initiative," Brinker said. "There is a vast amount of

opportunities for involvement, but students have to knock on the door of opportunity."

Students that want to start their own RSO have to find a faculty sponsor and at least 10 other students, Brinker said.

Rachel Fenner, a sophomore English major, said the main thing she does on campus is go to the Student Recreation Center.

"All I do is go to the (Rec Center), but there are always posters all over campus," Fenner said. "If I really wanted to go, all I have to do is look."

Alison Faller, a senior biology major, said she gets involved by doing undergraduate research and getting involved in departmental organizations.

"I am getting involved with the American Chemical Society raising money for the vandalism in the chemistry labs," Faller said.

Fisher said students can also build life-long friendships through community service.

"Some students meet first year at service projects and three years later they are roommates," Fisher said.

Scoggin said extracurricular activities allows students to connect outside of the classroom and eliminates the lonely feelings that can come with entering college.

"It's important not to be isolated, because we are all away from home," Scoggin said.

Faller said she likes getting involved because she gets to meet new people and faculty members.

"You get a sense of being a part of something, a group," Faller said.

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"LIONS IN WINTER"

# Speaker discusses lure, history of collecting

By Andrew Crivillare  
Staff Reporter

In her new book presented Wednesday, Maureen Stanton detailed a world filled with dreams of easy money, secret predawn rendezvous and characters straddling the line between passion and obsession.

The description is apt for many crime or spy thrillers. Instead, Stanton's book, "Killer Stuff and Tons of Money," describes the luring and lucrative landscape of flea markets and the collectors who populate them.

Collecting is a common phenomena across cultures and centuries, indulged in by celebrities like Harrison Ford, conquerors like Napoleon Bonaparte and an estimated two-thirds of all American households, Stanton said.

"Throughout history, collectors have filled their homes with stuff, that much is well documented," Stanton said. "But why we collect is still a conundrum."

Stanton said the theories for what makes collectors tick run rampant with references to feelings of abandonment, ancient hunter-gather impulses and ex-

**"Throughout history collectors have filled their homes with stuff, that much is well documented; But why we collect is still a conundrum."**  
Maureen Stanton

cessive Freudian psychosexual urges.

"Freud should know, he collected over 2,000 antiques," Stanton said. "His maid even observed him petting his Baboon of Thoth statue, an Egyptian deity, the same way he stroked his chow dogs."

Stanton said that even television commercials acknowledged psychoanalysts' connections between collecting and overactive libidos by referencing a 2010 commercial depicting a collecting-obsessed husband and wife.

"Antiquing took over our lives," Stanton said, quoting the commercial. "So I tried Viagra, and now my antiqu-

ing is pretty much gone."

Stanton said today the hobby and profession of collecting has been mythologized and skewed in nearly 30 television shows ranging from "American Pickers" to "Storage Wars," with the preeminent program being PBS's "Antique Roadshow."

"If you go on the set of 'Antiques Roadshow,' they show about 18 objects per hour, per episode," Stanton said. "But if you look at the number of things that came in that auditorium, it's more like 14,000."

Stanton said the reality of the antiquing world is that the quick money and

deals-of-a-lifetime only come with years of studying and an esoteric knowledge of seemingly benign things.

The author herself began the project not as a collector, but as a friend of one. Stanton said she still does not have any collections, at least not in the traditional sense.

"I collect stories and I collect facts and little trivia," she said. "Like about the fork; it took a hundred years to go from three tines to four. That's a little factoid thing in the back of my brain as part of a little collection."

Stanton said her fascination with trivia is as close as she can come to collecting, despite examining and exploring the collecting world.

"I don't have that impulse to collect," Stanton said. "I almost wish I did, just to be one of those people driven to own every single PEZ container."

Andrew Palmer, a junior art major, said Stanton's reading and question-and-answer session turned out to be very informative and hopes to incorporate her research style into his own work.

"She did a lot of in depth research

into how collectors think," Palmer said. "Doing a lot of research is best with non-fiction."

Of all Stanton's trivia, that concerning narcotics proved to be most remarkable, Palmer said.

"The history of opium was interesting," Palmer said. "I was surprised that opium turned into heroin."

Stanton, who described herself as an essayist and literary journalist, visited Eastern's campus as the final speaker in the three-week long "Lions In Winter" reading series, sponsored by the English Department and College of Arts and Humanities.

Lania Knight, an assistant professor of English and "Lions in Winter" coordinator, said she was pleased with the final event's turnout, praising Stanton's lyrical prose.

"I thought it was great," Knight said. "Her subject matter is interesting."

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STAFF EDITORIAL

Faculty deserve generosity given to coach Babers

Newly hired head football coach Dino Babers has a rather lucrative salary of \$170,000 for three years, totaling \$510,000. With a total of 11 incentives, Babers has the opportunity to earn an additional \$50,500 at the end of each of those years, granted he achieves certain goals. Each incentive ranges in amount, varying from \$1,000 to \$10,000 in extra money. If Babers completes every single one of his incentives, he would be taking home a grand total of \$220,500 in one year.

Some pretty serious cash. Since Babers has yet to even coach a game for the Panthers, it is unfair to say that he doesn't deserve what he is going to be paid. Babers obviously has some big shoes to fill, being the team's first head coach in 25 years, following the retirement of the legendary Bob Spoo (who made \$53,140 less than Babers will), and we're excited to have him and excited to see what he can do.

We do not begrudge Babers for having negotiated a nice contract. But we would like Eastern administrators to consider extending such generosity to the faculty in future contract negotiations. An article in *The DEN* last year showed that the average professor made about from \$65,000-\$75,000 per year. This number is close to \$100,000 less than what Babers will be earning. Such disparity should comfort no one.

The thing about Babers' contract that makes it great, ignoring the lucrative total, is the incentives. His incentives give him something to strive for, as well as rewarding him for his good work. Eastern should try to improve faculty pay through an incentive system. Professors could be rewarded for their performance in the same way that Babers is rewarded for his.

We understand the dangers of performance-based funding of education and know that individual incentives pose similar risks. For example, giving professors or departments bonuses based on the GPA of their students would only give an incentive to give better grades, leading to grade inflation.

We think there are other options, though. There are basic metrics with which the Council on Academic Affairs measures how well each college within the university is teaching skills that are considered basic functions of college education, like critical thinking, writing, speaking and global citizenship. Why not include in faculty contracts bonuses which reward professors for their college reaching these goals?

It would also be possible to provide bonuses on a department level. Babers incentives are pretty specific. Each department could have specific incentives to reward faculty success. For example, science departments could be rewarded for the number of students selected to present their research at the National Conference of Undergraduate Research.

Bonuses aside, faculty contracts should be close to, if not at, the same level as those in the athletic department, who have a clear advantage. The current disparity should be addressed at the next set of contract negotiations.

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COLUMN

And the Academy Award goes to...a decent movie

The recent crummy weather and release of this year's Oscar nominations have put Hollywood on my brain. In the coming weeks, the entertainment press will be flooded with stories about the Oscar-nominated movies.

I look forward to this time of year because it means I will get to learn more about the part of the Oscars that I care about: the movies nominated for best picture.

However, with this Oscar season comes the dreaded Oscar buzz: The endless speculation on who deserves to win what award and who will actually win it because of the politics involved, the talk of what kind of clothes the big stars are going to wear, what companies are going to launch new ad campaigns during the commercials and all of that stuff that I can only think of as fluff.

But cut through the fluff and you have what makes the Academy Awards valuable to someone other than ABC, which makes lots of money selling ads for the highly watched event: the movies themselves. More specifically, the kind of movies that win Oscars, a kind of movie that if it weren't for the Oscars may not get made.

Consider this: the average box office gross for the nine movies nominated for the



Doug T. Graham

coveted Best Picture award have an average gross of \$57.8 million. While this is higher than recent averages, mostly because "The Help" grossed \$169.6 million (nearly \$100 million more than the next highest of the nine), it is certainly not close to a sampling of summer blockbusters, such as the newest Mission Impossible movie, which has so far grossed \$198.3 million.

Assuming all movie studios are in business to make money, why would they fund movies like "The Artist," a black-and-white movie that has grossed a scant \$12.7 million? Why fund a kind of movie so unlike those that draw in the big crowds, something without action, poop jokes, talking animals or 3-D gimmicks?

The reason is the Oscars. The golden statue of the faceless man clutching himself is reward enough for most studios to take

a chance on "artsy" movies that stray from the mainstream, which are the kind of movies that I tend to like. Don't get me wrong, I enjoy scenes of action that feature attractive people performing incredible feats of athleticism as much as the next person. But those aren't the kinds of movies that I find myself still thinking about during the drive home from the theater.

The Oscars provide a venue to bring national attention, if just for a three-hour television block, on the small movies that can have a great influence.

In the coming weeks there will undoubtedly be some commenter who criticizes the Oscars for being out of touch with what the average American likes. They'll point to the low box office gross of the nominees as proof that the Academy doesn't know what movies to nominate.

What angers me about that argument is this: If the Academy Awards were about focusing on the movies the average American likes, then the Oscars would be granted to average movies. And, after all, that's why we have the America's Choice Awards.

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FROM THE EASEL



RACHEL RODGERS | THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Oil pipeline safe, would create jobs

President Obama postponed the Keystone Pipeline, condemning thousands of jobs to non-existence by this decision.

Deferring to pressure groups who wrap themselves in the green environmental flag, he cited environmental concerns.

Two related facts need to be noticed.

The path to be crossed already has 25,000 miles of pipeline operating in place with no environmental damage.

Also, the proposed pipeline had already been reviewed by the State Department for three years, which found no environmental danger, according to Charles Krauthammer's article, which appeared in the News Gazette on Nov. 18.

Is Obama really protecting the environment, or is he just letting the "greens" take the heat while keeping their support?

Are Hugo Chavez and George Soros part of this story?

My space is now used, more to come.

With no rusty swords and a Calvin Coolidge eye,

Leonidas H. Miller  
Mattoon

War in Middle East example of ancient history repeating itself

George H. W. Bush (god) declared "a new world order" (A.D. 1992).

In 2001 George W. Bush (neo-messiah) declared a "war" on terror i.e. the poor.

In 2008 Barack Obama emerged as the "Holy" ghost, then all three as "one" "glorified" a "holy" perpetuated war.

As such the bonafide old-testament image of eternalized "mystery" became the sanctified "all" powerful cosmic materialist-spiritual force guided by that "Holy" ghost, Obama.

"Father" Bush I and Son – Bush II would reckon how and where the "holy" force is applied and upon whom, arbitrarily; Iraq, Afghanistan, Egypt, Tunisia, Syria, the Near East and now Russia, converting those

Sodom(ized) and Gomorrah(ized) evil-doers into ashes, thus creating another "New Testament" "rockin'" into the cyber church of that "prom-

ised" land of "Old" Testament déjà vu all standing on corpses of the "neo-heathens" i.e. the upper classes who are now at 50 percent in the U.S. nearing 75-95 percent everywhere else as economic collateral damage! Leaving only elites and psychotic skinhead vultures in camouflage.

America's shape as the geo-social giant is demonstrating to "other social thugs" how to sink all under-classes beneath, and, out of sight into a thick layer of anonymity; disposing, for now, of the dead by incineration, then switch to dumping them into the ocean the options of God, mixed, at first, with a few sick live ones, then to full scale extermination, thereby shrinking a total world population to under 1 billion, e.g. the Afro-Arab slave trade, A.D. 1600 who sank as well.

Michael Strange  
Effingham

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RESERVE OFFICERS’ TRAINING CORPS

ROTC to showcase weapons

Demonstration  
part of cadet  
training

By Robyn Dexter  
Campus Editor

The Eastern Army Reserve Officers’ Training Corps will display an assortment of weapons while training their cadets Thursday in McAfee Gymnasium.

Ryan Owens, a senior political science major, said the ROTC program will sponsor the event to help the cadets in their future training at Eastern.

“We’re giving our cadets the opportunity to familiarize themselves with some of the smaller weapons

that the United States Army uses,” Owens said.

The weapons range from grenade launchers to machine guns to rifles and will be displayed for the cadets to handle and become accustomed to.

“It’s to get them excited about when they join the Army,” Owens said.

Owens said it will be the first time many of the cadets have handled the weapons.

“We go to the range later in the semester, so when they’re handling some of these weapons at the range, it won’t be their first time,” he said.

The cadets will learn basic assembly and malfunctions, as well as cleaning processes of the weapons, Owens said.

“We have 63 cadets in the pro-

gram, so they will all be in attendance,” he said.

Though it is an open event, Owens said they normally do not have any people outside the program show up to watch.

“Normally we don’t have civilians at the event, but I think it’s because they don’t know about it,” Owens said.

He said everyone is welcome, but he recommends people who are not part of the program to sit in the bleachers on the sides of the gymnasium.

The event will take place from 3:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m in McAfee Gymnasium.

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COUNCIL ON ACADEMIC AFFAIRS

CAA to discuss geography course

By Amy Wywialowski  
Staff Reporter

The Council on Academic Affairs will discuss and vote on GEG 3000, Geography of Illinois, a possible on-line course that could be available for the Summer 2012.

Chris Laingen, an assistant geography professor, will be presenting on the course. Laingen received the Increasing Distance Education Access in the Sciences Award grant from the College of Sciences for his proposal to revise the course in the spring of 2011.

“The class has been on the books since about 1970, but has not been taught in about 10 years,” Laingen said.

Laingen has adapted the curriculum so that the courses can be taught online.

Currently, Illinois State Universi-

ty is the only public university in the state that offers a course of this type.

According to the course proposal prepared by Laingen, “The rationale to redevelop the course was to offer it to students from across the state of Illinois, including offering it to those already teaching at the elementary, middle or high school levels for Continuing Professional Development Units.”

For students on campus, the course will count as an elective and count as a geography elective for geography majors.

“Right now it is possible only be offered online as an elective, but if there is the demand it has the potential to be taught on campus,” Laingen said. “We are hoping for a lot of interest, possibly from education majors, and it is important for them to know about the geography of the state they may be teaching in.”

The Council on Academic Affairs will meet today at 2 p.m. in Room 3108 in Blair Hall instead of the Booth Library.

“We changed location because I believe Booth Library has a conflicting prior commitment in our regular space at that time,” said Chris Mitchell, the Council on Academic Affairs chairman.

Janet Fopay is the secretary for the Council on Academic Affairs and the person responsible for making arrangements on where the council will meet.

“Another event came up and I was asked to find another location, so I found Blair Hall,” Fopay said. “Conflicts occur and we move locations, and it is really no big deal.”

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SHEA LAZANSKY | THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

Student Vice President for Academic Affairs Aseret Gonzalez listens to a speaker during the Student Senate meeting on Jan. 25, 2012, in the Union. One of the proposals brought up during the meeting was the implementation of a Student Government outing to a basketball game in order to encourage school spirit.

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“There have been emails all through the week, and you need to sift through them and step up to the plate sooner instead of just when it reaches the floor,” Samples said.

Gurick said tabling the resolution disappointed him.

“Yes, I am disappointed but I look beyond that disappointment and see that we now have 17 more people willing to help us find out the student position and voice that opinion,” Gurrick said. “ I encourage other student leaders to take a stand.”

After tabling the resolution, Gurick, Mitchell and Poshepnny passed

around a sign-up sheet to work a table in the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union with the letters throughout the next week.

They also passed out copies of the letters so the Student Senate members could discuss them in their classes.

The members also tabled a proposal for funds to travel to the Illinois Board of Higher Education Student Advisory Committee meeting. They will vote on it at their next meeting.

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However, in the third week of May, Anne received an email asking her to attend a callback for the show. And she was “stunned.”

In June, Rozek attended the callback in Kansas City, Mo., where she was asked to take another 50-question quiz, buzzers and all, as well as a personality evaluation.

Then the waiting game began. A very long waiting game.

“The producers told us, 'don't call us, we'll call you,'" she said. “The waiting was the worst part.”

However, in December, Anne received the voice mail that she didn't actually expect to receive. A “Jeopardy!” casting director had called and left a message on her cellphone asking Anne to call her back.

“I thought, 'Holy crap, this might actually happen,'" she said.

Unsure of her fate, Anne called back the producer, only to receive a puzzling response.

“Automatically, she started asking me my personal history, about my records, my schedule,” Anne said. “It wasn't until the end of the conversation that she actually said, 'By the way, do you want to be on “Jeopardy!”?’”

It was not a question Anne had to ponder long about. Anne studied an hour a day in the month leading up to the taping, using quiz site Sparkle, watching the show and brushing up on topics she wasn't as familiar with, spanning famous operas to Supreme Court justices.

“These other contestants were from Harvard, Columbia and MIT. And I go to Eastern. But as I found out, it doesn’t matter where you go to school. It’s how you use the knowledge you’ve gained.”

Anne Rozek, junior geography major

“Jeopardy!” producers flew Anne and her father on Jan. 3 to Sony Pictures Studios in Culver City, Calif.

And that’s when the marathon began. Rozek’s day began at 7:30 a.m., being shuffled from the hotel to the studio, and all the while trying to survive Los Angeles traffic. Once she arrived at the studio, the days were filled with hair, makeup, practice rounds and finally, the taping with Alex Trebek.

Although she didn't get to spend much time with Trebek, Rozek said the host made quite an impression on her, especially in the moments when he wasn't the man with all the answers.

“He does stumble on clues and make mistakes,” Anne said. “But he’s still really funny. During the commercials, he tells anecdotes to us and the audience that really helps break the tension.”

Tension is something Rozek said was a very apparent aspect of her experience.

“It was a little intimidating at first,”

Anne said. “These other contestants were from Harvard, Columbia and MIT. And I go to Eastern. But as I found out, it doesn't matter where you go to school. It's how you use the knowledge you've gained.”

Rozek said the people that made the biggest impact on her were her fellow contestants, many of whom she still keeps in touch with. And although Rozek is not able to share how she performed on the show, she did receive \$5,000 base prize for making it to the championship.

As for whether she'll watch the episode when it airs on Feb. 2, she shrugs and smiles.

“All I know is, I am never going to laugh at another contestant for giving a dumb answer ever again,” she said.

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with Sabina Oroszova,  
Women's Basketball Forward

# An experience unlike any other

By Alex McNamee  
Staff Reporter

Sabina Oroszova had never tasted peanut butter before she arrived in the U.S. this summer. Now she'll have it on her toast every once in a while.

The freshman forward from Slovakia has realized there are many different things about the U.S. compared to Slovakia — the food being one example.

“(Peanut butter) is fine,” Oroszova said. “I’ve never tried peanut butter and jelly.”

Since arriving in the states, Oroszova has realized she doesn't like Mexican food because it's too spicy, but she enjoys eating Chinese food with her teammates.

One of her teammates, sophomore Jordyne Crunk, said the team likes to eat out a lot, especially on off days.

Oroszova said some of the food is similar in Slovakia. Namely, worldwide chains like McDonald's and Subway. There are even some similar superstores that resemble Wal-Mart in her native country.

“Everybody thinks Slovakia is some desert or forest,” Oroszova said. “Everyone asks me like, ‘Do you have McDonald's,’ and I'm like, ‘Yeah.’”

Oroszova said the climate in Slovakia is similar to Charleston — bitter cold winters and hot summers.

But Oroszova has also been surprised by some of the basketball equipment in the U.S. She said she's been happy with a machine that passes basketballs to her and collects her rebounds. This way, Oroszova said she doesn't have to spend half of her time chasing rebounds while she practices her shot.

A lot of the intricacies of a collegiate basketball program are similar to what Oroszova expected. She said she watched the movie “Love & Basketball” while in Slovakia and saw what it would be like to be a part of a major college basketball program.

Through the movie, Oroszova learned what to expect; for example, Oroszova said her first knowledge of cheerleaders came from the movie.

However, just as Oroszova is learning and experiencing new things, her teammates are learning from her. Crunk said Oroszova sometimes teaches the team Slovakian words.

Crunk has also learned some unique things about her Slovakian teammate.

“Obviously her applesauce on her cereal,” Crunk said giggling.

The more Oroszova and her teammates get to know one another, the more Oroszova becomes comfortable, Crunk said.

At first, Oroszova got to campus and was a little shy, Crunk said. But once the team kept hanging out more and



Sabina Oroszova, a freshman forward, looks for a shot during Eastern's game against Tennessee State Monday in Lantz Arena.

more together, Oroszova opened up.

“She got more comfortable being around all of us at one time, because let's be honest 14 girls can be a little crazy,” Crunk said. “When you're on the outside, we can get a little loud.”

Oroszova said all of her teammates have been great helping her with basketball, school and living in Charleston in general.

She said she was limited to what she could bring on her flight from Slovakia to the U.S. to fill her dorm room; however, she said her roommates, red-shirt freshman Katlyn Payne, has helped out a lot.

“Katlyn has a fridge, TV, so I can use it,” Oroszova said.

Crunk said Payne has to get a lot of

credit for helping Oroszova get comfortable. She said Payne has always asked Oroszova if she wanted to go with her to do this or that.

Oroszova said she's especially close with Payne and fellow freshman DeAnna Willis.

Oroszova also is thankful to assistant coach Rachel Galligan, who helped her get comfortable with the idea of coming to Eastern to play basketball.

“I talked to Rachel like every day,” Oroszova said of the recruitment process. “She told me about everything – school, basketball, the whole country.”

Oroszova said Galligan even helped Oroszova's mom become comfortable sending her child to Eastern.

“(Galligan) told her this was a small

school and so it was safe for me,” Oroszova said.

So Oroszova signed on the dotted line and committed to Eastern, and said she doesn't hold back from telling people this was the best decision of her life.

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Granger also leads the team in assists (4.1) and steals (1).

Sophomore forward Alfonzo McKinnie gives the Panthers an active presence inside. His ability to rebound on the offensive and defensive end gives the team an edge. He leads the team with 7.6 rebounds per game; however, he also is second in the team in scoring at 10.9

points per game. McKinnie's activity does not stop at rebounding and scoring; he leads the team in blocks (1 per game) and is active in the passing lanes stealing the ball 0.6 times per game.

Tip-off for the OVC rivalry is set for 7 p.m. in Jacksonville, Ala.

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In 2011 Kreke was promoted to the Mississippi Braves, the Double A affiliate of the Atlanta Braves, where he recorded a .218 batting average with 33 RBI's in 111 games.

“Signing with the Astros takes some pressure off of me to perform,” Kreke said, in a news release. “The Atlanta Braves have one of the top-5 farm systems in the league, whereas the Astros are building

theirs up. Hopefully, I can take off from the Astros' system, and who knows, make the big leagues.”

Although the rosters will not be set until after spring training Kreke is projected to play for the Corpus Christi Hooks, the Astros' Double A affiliate. The Corpus Christi Hooks will open their season

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Despite the second-place finish, she managed to break her own Eastern record, vaulting 13-feet, 1.50-inches. The John Craft Invite was only Riebold's second career meet as a Panther. Riebold is currently the No. 19 women's pole vaulter in the nation.

Last week, Boey and Riebold were both nominees for the honor but were not awarded.

Red-shirt senior Donald Romero was named OVC Male Field Athlete of the Week after winning the men's weight throw with a mark of 60-feet, 6-inches. In the event, he currently ranks No. 23 in the nation.

**Men's Track in Regional Top Ten**

In the first rankings released by the United States Track and Field Cross Country Coaches Association (USTFCCCA), the Eastern men's team is ranked No. 9 in the Midwest Region. The Panthers are the only OVC team represented.

The first ranked team is Nebraska, followed by Minnesota, Illinois, Iowa, Oklahoma, Southern Illinois-Carbondale, Kansas, North Dakota State, Eastern and Kansas State.

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MEN'S BASKETBALL

# Panthers hit the road to end skid

Panthers to play Jacksonville State, hope for win

Staff Report

Eastern's men's basketball team will attempt to end its three-game losing streak when it goes on the road to take on Jacksonville State.

The Gamecocks are on a similar steak as the Panthers, losing six of their last eight games. Jacksonville State is currently 2-6 in the Ohio Valley Conference, while Eastern has not faired much better. The Panthers sit one spot ahead in the conference standings at 2-4 this season.

Jacksonville State is the worst team in terms of scoring offense in the OVC. Averaging 61.9 points per game, the Gamecocks are nearly eight points worse than the Panthers who rank fifth in the conference with 69.2 points per game. Despite the lack of offense, Jacksonville's defense has been above average, ranking third in the OVC.

Sophomore guard Brian Williams leads the Gamecocks. Williams is averaging 12.1 points, while dishing out 3.5 assists per game.

Junior forward Tarvin Gaines is the only other player on Jacksonville's roster averaging double figures in scoring. At 10.3 points per game, Gaines has a decent field goal percentage of 43 percent.

Senior forward Stephen Hall anchors the Gamecocks defense. Although Hall is third in the team in scoring (9.5 points per game), where he makes an impact is on the defensive side of the ball. Leading the team in rebounds (5.6), Hall has also shown active hands, stealing the ball nearly one time per game.

Senior guard Jeremy Granger leads the Panthers. The 6-foot-1-inch guard is averaging a career-high 16.4 points per game, while shooting 46 percent from the field.



DANNY DAMIANI

Sophomore forward Alfonzo McKinnie dunks the ball after he recovers a failed steal by Austin Peay's senior center John Fraley Saturday, Jan. 21, 2012, in Lantz Arena. Eastern lost the game 76-64.

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BASEBALL

## Former standout to sign with Astros

Former Panther, Brave to join Astros organization

Staff Report

Former Eastern infielder, Jordan Kreke, has signed a minor league contract with the Houston Astros organization. Kreke had previously signed a contract to join former Panther pitchers Brent McNeil and Matt Miller with the Traverse City Beach Bums of the frontier league.

Kreke was a standout player during his career at Eastern as he was named the Ohio Valley Conference Player of the Year during his senior season. Kreke posted great numbers across the board as he compiled a .394 batting average to go along with 13 home runs and 59 RBIs. In OVC action, Kreke elevated his game to another level as he recorded a league-leading .507 batting average, hit 9 home runs and drove in 40 RBIs.

Kreke also garnered national recognition as he was named to the Louisville Slugger Third Team All-American squad, and was one of 15 semifinalists for the Brooks Wallace Award, which is given to the nation's best shortstop. Following his career at Eastern,

Kreke was drafted in the 13th round of the 2009 MLB Draft by the Atlanta Braves. Kreke began his professional career with the Danville Braves of the Appalachian League. He hit .271 in 63 games before being promoted to the Rome Braves of the South Atlantic League. For the Rome Braves,

Kreke posted a .248 batting average and tallied 32 RBIs.

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TRACK

# Boey, Riebold, Romero earn OVC honors

Men's team No.9 in Midwest

By Dominic Renzetti  
Sports Editor

After finishing up the first meet of 2012, the Eastern's men's and women's track and field team will head to the Indiana Relays in Bloomington, Ind., this weekend.

### Three Panthers earn OVC honors

Following their performances at the John Craft Invite, three members of the Eastern track and field teams earned Ohio Valley Conference Athlete of the Week honors.

Red-shirt senior Zye Boey was named OVC Male Track Athlete of the Week after winning both the 60-meter and 200-meter dash. Boey won the 60-meter dash with a time

### OVC Rankings

1. Nebraska
2. Minnesota
3. Illinois
4. Iowa
5. Oklahoma
6. Southern Illinois-Carbondale
7. Kansas
8. North Dakota State
9. Eastern
10. Kansas State

of 6.76 seconds and the 200-meter dash with a time of 21.56. His 200-meter time set the John Craft Invite record.

Nationally, Boey is No. 4 in the 200-meter and No. 15 in nation in the 60-meter dash.

OVC Female Track Athlete of the Week was awarded to red-shirt sophomore Jade Riebold, who finished second in the pole vault event.

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Red-shirt sophomore pole vaulter Jade Riebold attempts to make it over the bar during the EIU John Craft Invite in the Lantz Fieldhouse Saturday.