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Students express their diversity by tie-dying T-shirts, other clothes

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200 volunteers expected during Panther Service Day

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Crystal Brown, the assistant director for the Office of Civic Engagement and Volunteerism, said the purpose of Panther Service Day is to partner with the local community and give back.

There are roughly 15 different locations that students can sign up for, including the Douglas Hart Nature Center, Frat Fraternity House, the Five Mile House and Community Aid-Admire.

Each station will be two hours long and each volunteer can sign up for one event. Participants will spend time painting, cleaning, doing light yard work, measuring ingredients for cooking, planting and much more with both inside and outside activities.

The office will be partnering for the second year with Greek Week.

Beth Gillespie, the interim director of civic engagement and volunteerism, said after partnering with fraternities and sororities last year, participation in Panther Service Day from greek life increased.

Framenotes and sororities get participation points for coming and being a part of Panther Service Day.

“It is an easy way to get a free T-shirt, make a difference and enjoy some time with some students before the semester ends,” Gillespie said.

To guarantee to get the right size of the T-shirts, students can sign up for Panther Service Day before March 28, but registration will be open until the day before the service day.

Volunteers should wear clothes they do not mind getting dirty and closed-toed shoes.

“Just come with a smile and eager to have fun with your peers and make a difference in the community,” Brown said.

Individuals and groups who want to volunteer at Panther Service Day are can visit www.eiu.edu/apps/registration or call the office at 217-581-3967.

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- Katelyn Olsem, a junior special education major, applies green dye onto her T-shirt during “Tie-Diversity” in the South Quad Monday afternoon.

- Dashawn McCray, a freshman sociology major, applies red dye onto his T-shirt during “Tie-Diversity” in the South Quad Monday afternoon.

- Natalie Santillian, a sophomore early childhood education major, and Nina Woods, a sophomore business major, work on tie-dying T-shirts during “Tie-Diversity” Monday in the South Quad.
The Daily Eastern News

Marches to encourage voting

China appeals for cooperation

BEIJING (AP) — A top Chinese official warned Sunday that a “trade war” would be bad for all sides, but gave no indication of Beijing’s possible next move in a spiral of escalating threats that has Trump over steel and technology. Speaking to global business leaders at a development forum, Vice Premier Han Zheng appealed for cooperation to make economic globalization “beneficial for all.”

Han didn’t mention Trump by name or directly refer to the dispute with Washington, but he accused others of making trouble while China focuses on steady progress. 

He said previous rounds of talks were “constructive,” and hoped to see the same kind of cooperation. But he added: “We are not going to be bullied.”

Han said China is confident in its own development and has the ability to overcome difficulties. He praised China’s planned market-opening and said China hopes to cooperate with the world to make economic globalization more widely shared.

Global financial markets have been buffeted as growth and trade issues push up the cost of borrowing money. Global trade, and the prospect that the U.S. and China could impose tariffs on each other, has put a damper on economic growth.

Han repeated promises that China’s planned market-opening would benefit all countries, saying that it would expand China’s location as a global economic hub and a leader in global cooperation.

He said China would continue to support other developing countries and would be willing to share its experience in economic development.

The White House issued a statement that while it was “disappointed” with the accord, it was “encouraged” by the fact that both sides had agreed to meet again.

CHICAGO (AP) — Cook County is suing Facebook and Cambridge Analytica for fraud after revelations that the latter obtained data on millions of Facebook users whose information was misused to influence voter behavior in 2016.

The lawsuit filed Friday in Cook County Circuit Court alleges Trump-affiliated political consulting from Cambridge Analytica deceived the millions of Illinois Facebook users whose information was misused. It says Facebook failed to protect its users’ privacy and misrepresented how their data was used.

London-based Cambridge Analytica has been accused of using Facebook data to influence voter behavior in 2016.

Cook County sues on fraud charges

SPRINGFIELD, Ill. (AP) — An Illinois legislative group wants to determine the impact of a state transportation lockbox amendment more than a year after voters approved the measure.

Nearly 80 percent of voters in 2016 approved the amendment, which committed gas tax money and related fees to transportation-related purposes, the State Journal-Register reported.

The Illinois Road and Transportation Builders Association is reviewing state budget proposals to see how transportation revenue is being used, said Mike Sturino, president and CEO of the association.

The association is a group of construction and engineering organizations that filed a lawsuit earlier this month against Cook County, alleging the county violated the amendment by diverting $250 million in transportation taxes to other expenses. The courts, however, will have to decide how to interpret the amendment.
Student Spotlight: Barry Yard hopes to start new RSO

By Andrew Paisley

Barry Yard, a junior music education major, is this week’s Student Spotlight. He said he hopes to create a Dungeons and Dragons RSO once he works out the details.

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Paul Noble (front), a graduate student and sports administration major, poses with his team for a picture. Noble and his team have won three consecutive intramural soccer tournaments.

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Reflect on, learn from your mistakes

I went into a leadership position with a list of expectations and came out learning a lot of things I did not plan for. Some might say this is because I did not follow every step I mapped out; others might say there is not one direction your leadership should take you, but many.

And through every obstacle, each failure is what made me stronger than before. You also cannot prepare yourself for how others are going to work in the time before reaching your goal, and this is a reality that has been hard to face. Of course, this idea turns me right back around to my leadership and analyzing what I lacked, assertion and organization.

Even though I messed up, I can see why and where things went wrong, and this was somewhat of a healing process in drinking the bitter beverage of pride. Being editor of the yearbook was a challenging and amazing privilege that helped me grow with patience and maturity.

Once everything was finally done, I was able to reflect on my mistakes and to analyze how they are not to dwell on, but to move forward from. I have written columns on this before but have still had an issue doing it, as most people do. When you work hard on something or several things at once, it is hard to evaluate yourself to get ready for the next steps in life.

Maybe this comes from a sense of entitlement or pride for being able to juggle more than one thing, but college students are constantly complaining about how busy they are, and I have been guilty of this too. I think about the reminder from those who are wiser than me and my peers that we should think about how it could be worse and how we might be using our “busy schedules” as an indirect excuse to freak out or be lazy.

Analyzing ourselves is a scary task to take on because we do not want to be wrong—we would rather recognize our strengths than our weaknesses, but we are skipping over an important part of being alive. If we constantly fear and make excuses for not doing something, then we are limiting ourselves to what we are good at, and that is how you become the “one trick pony.”

Of course, we are all still busy and that is OK, but it is important to bring ourselves back down to Earth when there are people doing the same thing as us with children or other things behind the scenes. We could be much busier and much more stressed—it’s just a matter of managing it. Only does it show yourself help ease the stress, but it also keeps you in perspective.

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Spring forward, take advantage of weather

As spring arrives, I am reminded of the beauty of the Earth and the smells of nature. Finally, we can say goodbye to the seasonal depression and look forward to six months or so of being outside in nice weather.

Although the past few days have been dreary, waiting for spring to finally arrive, it has ended in a spectacular way and we will actually be able to sit outside and do activities with friends, rather than hide in our dorm rooms.

I like spring because it is the start of the warmer weather. I think one of my favorite things about it is the fact that it is not too hot outside but not cold either. It is just perfect. And who could not appreciate the beautiful flowers that bloom during this time of year? Their presence outside gives people the glorious sense of beauty on Earth.

I like to spend time outside during this time of year, even if it consists of simply sitting out and chatting with friends. Let’s face it, you can never have too much sunlight.

I feel so much better about myself and I have a feeling of hope when I sit outside during the nice weather. No matter how bad my life may be at the moment or just my day, the weather and the mood outside always distracts me from those feelings and I just feel a tad bit happier.

Although this time of year brings stress and pressure to each and every student as we are near the end of the semester and finals are going to be coming up, I encourage everyone to take a chance each day or even each week to sit outside and enjoy the weather. I guarantee that you will feel somewhat better, and it will definitely improve your mood.

Maybe, instead of sitting inside doing your homework, go outside and find a nice picnic table or chair where you can sit and do your homework. You can even take a nice stroll around campus and not only get some exercise, but you will feel so much better.

It is this season that really shows me what a beautiful planet we live on. Unfortunately, not everyone takes the opportunity to enjoy the beauty of this planet and the weather we have, but I always take the opportunity to do so and it makes me appreciate life just a little bit more.

No matter how cloudy your mood may be or how down in the dumps you may be, it never hurts to go outside and really take a deep breath and soak up the beauty of nature. I can assure you that you will feel so much happier and more care-free.

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Today’s quote:

“I think the truth of the matter is, people who end up as ‘first’ don’t actually set out to be first. They set out to do something they love and it just so happens that they are the first to do it.”

—Condoleezza Rice

Staff editorial

Try to learn about other cultures

Here at The Daily Eastern News, we value the diversity of the students on campus. The array of differences present in our community is what makes Eastern a unique and culturally-stimulating university to attend.

Despite this, in our society people are still condemned for wanting to live in solidarity with the rest of America. There is still a social gap between those who possess cultural or social differences that are not our own.

We want to be sure that students on campus take the opportunity to participate in events on campus that are created to spread awareness and eradicate hatred on our campus, while also learning about the past and different cultures.

This is why we want to encourage students to attend events during Social Justice and Diversity Week.

Creating an open-minded, well-informed environment for students is imperative to ensuring that students are able to learn effectively and feel comfortable on our campus.

During Social Justice and Diversity Week, hosted by the Residence Hall Association this Monday through Thursday, students are given the opportunity to attend several events that highlight the attributes that make us unique as individuals and to stand up against oppression that has been wrongly thrust upon those who only wished to live their lives and express their own identities in peace.

These events include “Tie-Diversity” on Monday, the “Tunnel of Oppression” on Tuesday, the “Human Library” on Wednesday and “Break Hate” on Thursday.

Remembering the oppression of those who have been minoritized or concealed just for wanting to practice their own religion or their sexual preference is important, so this kind of treatment is never seen as acceptable in modern society.

The News wants students on campus to feel comfortable expressing themselves on our campus without fear of being reprimanded.

Eastern strives to welcome diversity through religious and multiracially registered student organizations. By finding these organizations, hopefully students will find the tolerance and kindness we need to bring students together and combat hate.

Students should put effort into being versatile and asking about learning about different perspectives and social or ethnic groups outside of their own.

It is through this that we can make others feel welcome in all kinds of spaces. Having love and understanding for others can help to combat the ignorance of the past and create more inclusive environments for future generations of learners at our university and in the rest of the world.

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“I love colors and I’m a racial minority who’s part of the LGBTQ community, so I thought this was a good opportunity to get involved on campus and spread awareness about diversity,” McCray said.

Ashley Wheaton, a senior biological sciences major and vice president of community engagement for the RHA, said since they had many different colors available, students could choose the options that worked best for them based on whether they were a racial minority, part of the LGBTQ community or any other demographic.

Natalie Santillan, a sophomore early childhood education major who was applying pink and blue dye to her shirt, which was wrapped in rubber bands to create a splattered effect, said she was drawn to colors at the table where the tie-dying was taking place and then decided to participate when she read about what the activity stood for because she knew that she could relate based on her own diversity.

“‘This is a good way for students to come together and realize they’re not alone and supported through the Eastern community,’ she said.

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Budgeting made easy

Amanda Falk, a graduate assistant at the Literacy in Financial Education Center, gives a seminar on budgeting for college students Monday afternoon in Klehm Hall. Falk gave budgeting tips to students and talked about healthier food options on and off campus. There are two more seminars Tuesday and Thursday, both from 4 to 5 p.m. in 1418 Klehm Hall. Tuesday’s seminar is on retirement planning, and Thursday’s is on financial aid.

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE

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Wireman wins OVC Pitcher of the Week

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Men’s basketball team to lose 4 players

By Maher Kawash
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“Facing a close opponent, let alone an elite opponent in Marquette where he scored 20 points before he injured his ankle,” Albert said. “Since our schools are so close, we have to be ready to face each other whenever we play each other. The last time the Panthers and Redbirds faced off was two years ago, when Eastern won 2-1 in a pitcher’s duel.

As enjoyable as it was for the colleges to play each other, the Panthers have hit that same trail to find a role on the court all season. The big thing here is that all four came in as transfers just a year ago, and now the Panthers have to turn around and hit that same trail to find more. The standings are not based upon overall records, but only conference play and as of now, the Panthers rank tenth at 1-5.

“Everyone agrees that’s probably our biggest rivalry,” Albert said.

Old rivarly promts goal for baseball team

By Adam Shay
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Colleges commonly have rivals with in their conference; however, the Eastern baseball team has its eyes set on one school: Illinois State University.

“Illinois State is a rivalry for sure,” said redshirt junior catcher Hunter Morris. "Everyone agrees that’s probably our biggest rivalry.

Separated by 104 miles, the Eastern baseball team has always seen Illinois State as their longest and most memorable rival. With Illinois State founded in 1857 and Eastern in 1895, it is no surprise these schools have battled it out for over 100 years.

Due to the history and short distance between the colleges, their rivalry is imprinted into each institution’s mental. When it comes to Eastern and Illinois State, competing against each other in America’s pastime is more than a single game.

“Facing a close opponent, let alone an in-state opponent, is a game we always look forward to,” said senior first baseman Mart Albert. “We want to be the ones who control the (Central Illinois) region.

For each school, an attempt at controlling the region begins long before the baseball season starts. It becomes a competition between the schools to have a greater recruiting class.

“Since our schools are so close, we both want the best recruits in the area,” Albert said. Albert was a part of the recruitment process that brought in Eastern junior Jauan Starks drives the ball in a game against Tennessee-Martin on Jan 13 in Lantz Arena. Starks is one of four players, including D’Angelo Jackson, Michael Chavers and Justice Green who are transferring from Eastern.

Chavers and Green were not so much up and down as the other two. Instead, they struggled to find a role with the team. On the other hand, four players will also be graduating from the program. Seniors Montell Goodwin, Moses Dama, Ray Crossland and Devante Price are headed out after graduation. Adding depth will be key for Eastern, but the team does have its big men still with Lucas Jones and Aboubacar Diallo returning for their senior seasons.

Logan Koch fills in some depth behind Lewis at the guard position, but the Panthers always add transfers at those positions every year.

With all this behind them now through, Eastern has the rest of its off-season to get back into a contending roster.

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Bowling: Daily batteries rivalry as prior to committing to Eastern, he was recruited by Illinois State. He said he said he had a personal rivalry and that definitely adds to the rivalry,” Albert said.

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At an overall 9-14 record, the Panthers have their eyes set on turning around their conference play.

“Since the Panthers were swept last weekend in conference play against Murray State, their urgency to improve has increased,” Albert said. “We have had plenty of opportunities to drive in runs, but we’re unable to cash in. Once we find our groove, we will be dangerous.”

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“While this may seem like a large hole to fill for the Panthers, Spoonhour said it is actually expected in today’s game. “I think it’s fair to say they’re all leaving on good terms with me,” Spoonhour said. “Guys want to be able to play and contribute more, and I completely understand that.”

It is too soon to know where these guys are headed to continue their play, but Spoonhour said that Division II is an option that many transfers consider so they do not have to sit out a year under the Division I eligibility rules.

But then there are guys like Starks who played well against Division I teams this past season, so his options may be more widespread.

In fact, Starks’ best game with Eastern came against a power five conference opponent in Marquette where he scored 27 points on nine field goals. He also dropped double-digit points against teams like Nebraska and San Diego State. Conference play did not go as well for him though, and playing time started to dip as did his role with the team.

Jackson also becomes a tough loss for the Panthers as he was another go-to scorer before he injured his ankle. He played in just 17 games this year while starting nine of those, but after missing time he struggled to find his stride as he scored just 20 points total in the five games after the injury.

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