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Almost a Panther push

three close games this weekend against Eastern Kentucky at home.

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Council discusses tuition hike

By John Chambers ADMINISTRATION EDITOR

Eastern's tuition revenues could total \$1.8 million for next fiscal year.

The number was one estimate the Council on University Planning and Budget heard Friday.

The revenues were based on figures from the Bureau of the Budget, said Jeff Cooley, vice president for business affairs.

'We're really back to where we were in Fiscal Year 2000 in terms of funds received by the state," he said.

'This thing will play out over the next few weeks." The legislature has until May 31 to constitutionally approve next year's budget proposals. With Eastern facing 8.2 percent in cuts and \$3.7 million to be put in reserve, Cooley said he hopes the legislature will change amounts that could be lost from FY04.

The 8.2 percent equals to \$4.2 million less in general state funds than Eastern received last fiscal year, Cooley said.

Next year's tuition increase is based on Gov. Rod Blagojevich's estimates for an increase capped at about 5 percent.

"This is not actual tuition revenue," Cooley said. A truth-in-tuition bill in the legislature now would guarantee tuition be increased no more than 5 percent for incoming freshmen, a rate they would pay

all four years. Depending on the bill's success, the tuition limit could be in place for fall 2004, he said.

A separate bill proposes a cap of 5 percent on all tuition increases.

Last year, the increase in tuition revenues was \$2.6 million.

'Right now, as we sit here, we don't know what the numbers are because there are so many variables," said Blair Lord, vice president for academic affairs. "To deliver the curriculum to the students as promised ... that would be my first priority."

The budget is more uncertain and it could be June before next year's cuts are finalized because of the governor's April budget address, which was later in the year than usual, Cooley said.

The council approved parts of lists on university weaknesses, opportunities and threats.

The lists give council members a chance to work together, Anne Zahlan, English professor and coun-

cil member, said previously.

The first list broke down weaknesses into the areas of resources and funding, education quality, campus facilities and operations. Some items include compensation for university employees and inadequate resources or improvements needed for the technology infrastructure and related software.

Opportunities were grouped under resources and funding, academic programs and diversity and include items such as an increasing pool of tradition and non-traditional students in higher education.

The threats were grouped under related categories and were items such as a statement of no clear relationship between state funding and internal accountability.



Adam Duritz, of Counting Crows, sings to the crowd during its concert Friday night in Lantz Arena. About 3,000 students attended the spring concert, an event that's possible because of a \$5 per semester student concert fee that was passed last spring.

An event to crow about

By Jennifer Chiariello ACTIVITIES EDITOR

Students were "hanginround" the Counting Crows Friday during their World Tour 2003 concert.

Sixpence None the Richer was the opening act for the Crows and performed songs such as "Don't Dream it's Over," "Kiss Me" and the first single off its new record, "Breathe your name."

Leigh Nash, the lead vocalist of Sixpence None the Richer, said "I like boys — men," to clear up the confusion regarding the lyrics of the song "There she goes."

Charles Gillingham, keyboardist for the Counting Crows, stood among fans on the floor to watch Sixpence's performance.

The Crows performed songs such as "Remember about me," Jones," "God"
"Omaha,"
"Poolr night "Long Elizabeth," December," "Ana Begins," " Big "Good Time." Yellow Taxi," "Good Time," "Miami," "Round Here," "Rain King" and "Raining in Baltimore."

Adam Duritz, lead vocalist for the Counting Crows, said, "Here's a song about me acting like a dick" before performing "American Girl.

Duritz performed "Goodnight L.A." solo and played plano.

During the final "Hanginround," a small dog wan-dered around the stage.

Duritz said the dog's name is Johnny and he belongs to a monitor

The show was Sixpence None the Richer's second performance with the Crows.

"I love touring colleges," said Sean Kelly, guitarist for Sixpence None the Richer. "You have more space to move around during the day, it's a smaller community and people seem really excited to have you there ... I think we do a lot better connecting with the audience."

Kelly said the performance went

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STEPHEN HAAS/ASSOCIATE PHOTO EDITOR

Leigh Nash, lead singer for Sixpence None the Richer, sings Friday night in Lantz Arena. Sixpence None the Richer played as the opening act for Counting Crows.

Area code 217 nearing maximum number of lines

◆ Telephone customers may need to dial more digits within a year

By Carly Mullady CITY EDITOR

In less than a year, people in the 217 area code may have to memorize 10 digits rather than seven.

National Access Numbering Plan Association, which tracks the number of phone numbers dispersed per area code, has issued a warning to the 217 area.

"Basically, in any area code, there are only seven digits and as number lines grow there is a cap," said Tom White, the senior manager engineer Consolidated Communications.

White said 999,999 possible lines exist for any area code, and 217 is approaching that maximum.

'NANPA notifies us way in advance to prepare for changes," White said

The area code, which serves a large section of Central Illinois, was listed by NANPA as "in jeopardy.

(Area code) 217 stretches here through Springfield, Taylorville, Jacksonville, up to Champaign-Urbana and Decatur and down to consolidated to Effingham,"

White said.

The area covered by 217 is less population dense than Chicago suburbs, which have a series of area codes within a smaller distance.

"Reaching a point of running out of numbers totally depends on the area. Chicago exhausted much faster than here," White said.

The 217 code has gone more than 50 years without needing change for overflow.

"Depending on the rate of consumption, we may need some-thing by the middle of next year," White said.

NANPA is working with Consolidated Communications to resolve potential over assignment

"Reaching a point of running out of numbers totally depends on the area."

— Tom White

of phone numbers. Two options include reassignment and overlay

With overlaying, an additional area code is assigned within the area. An overlay entitles a 10digit dialing requirement for calls that were once local.

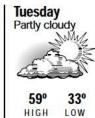
White said many Chicago suburb areas have utilized overlay and in Southern Illinois' 618 area, Verizon switched to 10-digit dialing as well.

Reassignment involves creating smaller area and taking half of the customers and reassigning those with new numbers and new area codes and giving the free numbers to another area, White said.

"The decision is not final, but I believe it to be the overlay plan," White said.

Overlay would mean a new area code assignment and requirement for dialing 11 digits for local calls as well as long dis-

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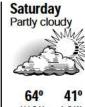
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Thursday

Showers

Friday Showers HIGH



HIGH LOW

HIGH LOW

Sunday

Partly cloudy

Students move from studying to mopping floors

◆ Pupils look to summer jobs for income

By Tim Martin CAMPUS EDITOR

In the fall, Ben King, a freshman undecided major and quarterback on Eastern's football team, mops the floor with the opposition.

But in the summer, he mops

the floors at his school- literally.

"I'm not really excited because I have to start at 6 a.m.," said King, whose father works for the school district. "Still, (the job) pays money, and I'm broke right now."

With the end of the semester only three weeks away, students' responsibilities will switch from homework to work (or from gridiron to floor

Like the classroom, some students are prepared and others are not.

Some can cruise through the summer (or class) and be fine, while others must diligently work.

Tamiya Mathis, a junior fashion merchandising major, is one of those people who must work during the summer to make ends meet.

"I wouldn't eat; I guess I wouldn't survive," Mathis, an employee at CCAR Industry located on Lincoln Avenue, said. "I'd have no way to pay for college (if I didn't work).'

Most students had no problem finding a job, as they returned to jobs from the previous summer.

Dan Lynch, a junior history major, will return to his job as construction worker through the Chicago Labor Union No. 6. Although he admitted to not being excited for his job, he said, "It's a good job ... I like school better than work."

Another student, Kristy

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Quick, a junior elementary education major, will return to her job at Citgo Gas Land in Pesotum. Beth Moran, a junior English major, will return to a day camp dealing with special education students.

"It's a fun job, an interesting one," she said. "The kids are great and there are always different activities.'

Not everyone has such a stable future.

Heather Selvi, a freshman psychology major, said she doesn't have a job yet, but will look the day she gets back from school. She said she saw no reason to turn in a job application two or three months in advance over spring break.

But the urgency will rise once finals week ends.

"I have to get a job," she said, commenting on the future. "No matter what; if I have to work at McDonald's, I'll do it.

"I just got to have a job."

Freshman undecided major Kayla Burke also will look for a job once school ends. Burke said she had worked at Mr. Z's, a local grocery store, for the last couple years.

"I'm not excited, not necessarily to go back to Mr. Z's, but to know that I have money in my pockets," she said.

For students like Burke and Selvi, June, July and August will be used to catch up on the bank account. For Mieko Hayeashida, those months will be used to catch up on old

Hayeashia, a junior sports medicine/athletic training major and international student from Japan, said she might look for a part-time job, but was ready for the semester

"I haven't seen my friends for one year," she said. "(Charleston) is OK to study, but there's nothing to do, no shopping.

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Holli Younger, a freshman elementary education major, studies Sunday evening outside of Booth Library. Younger came outside to enjoy the fresh air and mild temperatures while studying.

Forecast typical for spring time

By Carly Mullady CITY EDITOR

The National Weather Service forecasts a week of more early spring-like temperatures in between the extreme temperatures experience in the last two

Early week temperatures are mild with a 58-degree high for Monday and a 60-degree high for Tuesday. Monday's night-time low is in the 40s while Tuesday's is in the high 30s.

Mostly cloudy skies and 10 to 15 mile per hour winds out of the west are on the forecast for daytime

Tuesday's slightly warmer daytime high temperature is forecast with mostly sunny skies and mild

Mostly sunny conditions are expected Wednesday

with a high temperature of 62 degrees and a low temperature of 42 degrees at night.

Clear weather conditions will change with Wednesday's partly cloudy skies leading into a likelihood of rain Thursday. The high temperature forecast is 62 degrees.

Rain is expected to continue through Friday evening with temperatures remaining in the lower 60s during the day and in the low 40s at night.

Partly cloudy skies and cooler temperatures will follow Thursday and Friday's precipitation. The weekend forecast is clearer and cooler.

Saturday is expected to be partly cloudy with highs in the upper 50s and lows in the lower 40s.

Mostly clear skies along with increased sunshine are expected Sunday as the temperatures will begin warming. Temperatures are forecast as highs in the middle 60s and lows in the 40s.

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Student Government candidates to debate issues before election

By Avian Carrasquillo STUDENT GOVERNMENT EDITOR

As Student Government elections draw closer, candidates will have an opportunity to voice their platforms and answer questions in a debate sponsored by the Elections Commission.

The debate will be at 10 p.m. today in the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union walkway.

The debate marks the first time candidates have an opportunity to square off. Student Body President Alison Mormino said students running for executive board positions will be participating, but students running for senate member positions may have some time to debate as well.

Mormino said the candidates wouldn't know the questions ahead of time and would be tested on how well they think on their feet.

In the race for Student Body President, Amy Leonard, Caleb Judy and Bud Wierenga are the candidates. For Executive Vice President, Bill Davidson, Kyle Donash and Shermann Thomas will face off. The candidates for Vice President for Student Affairs are Lindsey Baum, incumbent Lisa Flam and Matt Kulp. Amanda Sartore is running unopposed for Vice President for Academic Affairs. Larry Ward is also running unopposed for Vice President for Business Affairs.

Student Government elections will be Tuesday and Wednesday, and have polling places set up in the Union, Coleman, and Carman Hall.

Executive VP candidate intent on bolstering diversity

By Avian Carrasquillo STUDENT GOVERNMENT EDITOR

Shermann Thomas is seeking the executive vice president position in the upcoming Student Government elections.

Thomas is running without a party affiliation and cites his love of Eastern as a major reason for his decision to run.

"I didn't have a real good child-hood — I got involved in a lot of things I really shouldn't have been involved in. Once I got here I started talking to Johnetta Jones and others, and they just started showing a genuine interest in me.

"I didn't want to leave Eastern and not give back," Thomas said.

A lack of diversity on campus has also fueled Thomas' desire to

run for executive vice president.

"I hear everyone talk about diversity and how they would like to improve it and make Eastern a better place, but Student Senate



Shermann Thomas

doesn't always reflect diversity and I want to try to change that," Thomas said.

Thomas didn't like that Student Senate couldn't meet its diversity requirements.

"That was one of the main things that upset me," Thomas said. "If you represent 11,000 students, and you can't attend two diversity meetings, then what message are you sending to the students?"

Thomas would also like to work on Student Senate and Recognized Student Organization relations.

"I think the way that Student Senate deals with RSOs that present an idea they don't always generally agree with needs to change. Maybe the RSOs' ideas are a way to bring the campus together," Thomas said.

Thomas said the Student Senate should utilize the leadership present in RSOs to combat conflict.

"I think that students in RSOs are people that care about Eastern and want to be involved," Thomas said. "I think a lot of issues could be resolved by bringing RSOs together and dis-

cussing problems in a round table. RSOs need more funding from the university, so they can bring more to the community."

Thomas said that if elected he would work with Eastern's Board of Trustees to try to keep tuition

Thomas said although he hasn't been involved in the Student Senate before, he has been active in other organizations and brings a fresh perspective.

Thomas is the current president of Eastern's chapter of the NAACP and a student ambassador for the Minority Affairs Program. Thomas said he would have no trouble working with other candidates who may already have a set agenda.

"Not everything I want to do is

etched in stone," Thomas said. "I want to improvise some things, and I'm willing to work with others. When I came to Eastern I did not know one soul and now I'm a part of a fraternity, I have a family. I think we all tend to work better with strangers."

Thomas says the Student Senate doesn't do enough to combat fee increases, such as the proposed network fee.

"We need to pull our resources together," Thomas said. "If the athletic department can raise \$30,000 in a week for a project they want done, there's no reason Student Senate can't. I think they should look into fundraising, sponsors, bake sales or grant programs that could save the students money."

Fellow state schools also coping with dreaded budget cuts

By John Chambers

ADMINISTRATION EDITOR

Eastern students aren't the only ones who could be left worrying about a smaller summer school curriculum.

The University of Illinois is faced with \$31 million of its operating budget or 4.25 percent in cuts to be put away until the state requests reserves this fiscal year.

The university doesn't have a definite plan for summer school and the \$58 million or 8 percent in cuts next year.

"It's going to impact the classroom," said Randy Kangas, assistant vice president for planning and budgeting. "It's hard to round up cash this late in the year." Eastern's plans include cuts to summer classes with low enrollment and partially shut off air conditioning in certain buildings Friday afternoons and during weekends. The air conditioning plan will save the university

Budget cuts around the state in FY 2003

- ◆ University of Illinois at Champaign: \$6.8 million
- ◆ University of Illinois at Chicago: \$6.4 million
- ♦ Illinois State: \$2.4 million
- ♦ Western Illinois: \$1.8 million
- ♦ Eastern: \$1.4 million
- ♦ University of Illinois at
- Springfield: \$482,000
- ◆ Southern Illinois: \$6.4 million
- ◆ Northern Illinois: \$3.2 million

\$50,000 this fiscal year.

The U of I's budget has seen a \$105 million decrease now with cuts to equal a total proposed budget of \$699 million over three campuses.

A proposed \$6.4 million in cuts will be at the Chicago campus, \$482,000 in Springfield and \$6.8 million in Urbana-Champaign.

Kangas said the university will be cutting building improvements this year.

"We had money in our budget that we were going to use for facility renovation and facility type issues," Kangas said.

The first steps are \$4 million cuts in administrative spending and \$13.7 million in deferred maintenance

Illinois State University will give back a proposed \$2.4 million or 2.7 percent this year.

The university is concentrating on administrative costs and holding construction, a difficult task because only three months are left in the FY03, said budget director Barb Blake.

Reaching out to the "whole shared governance," cuts in construction and other areas will be planned to be as "harmless as possible," she said.

Tuttion increases and summer school cuts are undecided at Illinois

State

"We're certainly going to have summer school this year. Next year is undecided."

Eastern is planning for around 5 percent or overall \$1.8 million in tuition increases, said Jeff Cooley, vice president for business affairs.

Western will give back \$1.8 million or 29 percent.

"We're going to go with summer school for this year," said budget analyst Bonnie Barker.

The reductions were planned for, but everyone is adjusting to positions left unfilled. Barker said five spots in her department alone are not filled.

"It means more work, but we're getting it done," she said. "Our No. 1 concern is construction projects and no lay-offs."

The university is building a new residence hall as planned.

Western is up against a proposed 8.2 percent cuts in next year's budget.

Southern Illinois University was asked to hold 2.7 percent in reserve this year.

Overall, the majority of the 13 state public universities have to plan for at least 2.7 percent losses this year and about 8 percent for next year.

Eastern is asked to put 2.7 percent, or \$1.4 million, in reserve this year and 8.2 percent next year.

The university's summer school cuts are especially difficult because classes extend past June 31, the last day of this fiscal year.

"The FY04 budget cut is very severe, and part of this summer's schedule falls in FY04," said Blair Lord, vice president for academic affairs. "My overreaching principle is to offer summer classes, but it remains imperative that we review each offering closely for financial viability."

State universities are planning for a proposed budget cuts next year that do not have to constitutionally be approved by the legislature until May 31. The losses will total \$112 million across higher education.

When cuts will be called back this year is uncertain.

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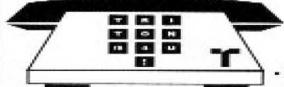
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EDITORIAL

Network fee should be passed

Some students have responded with a resounding "no" when asked if they are willing to part with \$48 per semester as part of a fee that would aid in increasing the connectivity and reliability of Eastern's network infrastructure.

However, in the long run, the students, whether it be next year or five years from now, will reap the benefits of this fee. It takes money to keep up with technology, and students also

At issue

The proposed

\$48 network

The long-term

benefits of the

fee would aid the

network, and it is a cheap price to

pay considering

typical monthly

costs of the

Internet

Our stance

must realize they have reaped the benefits of fees students before them paid.

Fees paid by past students on Booth Library and the Food Court are now benefiting current students. It is somewhat a cycle of cooperation, and it is one students must be open to and patient with if the university can continue to be updated.

If implemented, the network fee would give a shot in

the arm to a network that has been mired by numerous problems from the overflow of users. The system is complex, and a fee, such as the one proposed would help eliminate the inconsistencies

The Student Senate informed students Wednesday it will once again probe students to obtain more feedback on their opinions of the fee before voting on it.

Student Senate member George Lesica spoke for the rest of the senate when expressing his disgust involving the network fee forum discussion conducted April 14.

Two students, outside of senate members, turned out for the forum which was organized to give students a better understanding of the fee and how it would improve the network.

Students' apathy doesn't tell senate members anything.

For those appalled at the price they would be paying, keep in mind \$48 a semester is cheaper than the rates students are often charged every few months to keep their high speed Internet hooked up. Students are getting a bargain if they think of things from that perspective.

But still voice your opinions, tell senate members what you think about the prospects of a network fee. Senate members have said they are listening, now students need to speak up. With the upcoming elections, senate members have been more visible. Talk to Alison Mormino or other members about your how you think the university's network would be improved or not by the implementation of this fee.

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

OPINION

Campus tidbits to consider



Michelle Jones Editor in chief and bi-weekly columnist for The Daily

Jones also is a senior journalism and English major.

She can be reached at 581-2812 or majones@eiu.edu This is my last column for *The Daily Eastern News*. It is, I'm sure, one of the many "last" things I'll experience in the next few weeks as the semester, my last semester, finishes up.

For four years, I've attended classes and participated in college life at Eastern. For four years, I've spent countless hours in 1811 Buzzard Hall, the newsroom. For 2 1/2 of those years, I've had a regular column. I haven't always known what to write about, and this time is really no different. What I have written about and will write about may not really mean much to everybody, but I'm going to pass along some tidbits of information.

Graduating means people you have become best friends with could be spread out all over the state, if not farther. It's not a fun idea, but I'm confident the friendships that matter will remain.

The best spot on campus is the part of the Panther Trail that surrounds wide open fields. It's south of the football stadium and southwest of the campus pond.

The grass off of this part of the trail is a wonderful place to sit, think and enjoy nature. You're still on campus, but sometimes you wouldn't know it. Depending on where you sit or stand, you still can see part of campus — the top of Andrews and Lawson halls for instance — but you're away from the main hustle and bustle.

"The best spot on campus is the part of the Panther Trail that surrounds wide open fields."

It's almost always quiet out there. You can hear the wind, the grass or trees moving, a bird chirping, occasionally a car motor since it is the back of a neighborhood.

Tailgating and football games make for fun weekends in the fall. Or more likely, it was the people I was with that made those times the most fun.

Top of the Rocs is the best bar in town, even though they changed their Thursday special of \$1.50 Skyy Blues and Citronas.

If you need to go to Health Services, first make sure you don't get deadly sick and expect a doctor's attention on a weekend, and second, ask for Dr. Baker. Overall, it's not too bad of a place, although it does seem to think amoxicillin cures all. And sometimes the joke that Health Circus's response to any illness is the person's pregnant, even the men, seems to be true.

Good teachers, no matter what the subject is, are patient. They have to be able to teach, not just do or command to be a good teacher.

It's too hard to name the best

class ... my English senior seminar on romance and reality, maybe. Sorry if you're not an English major and can't take that.

Don't go home every weekend; don't go home every other weekend. You'll miss out on way too much. Don't say there's nothing to do in Charleston.

Even though I didn't check off every item on my list of things to do in college, I finally did make it to Lincoln Log Cabin.

It's hard to let go of college life, but I have come to accept I have to let go and move on. I definitely could not say that at the beginning of last fall. It even was a little difficult to say back in January when I started forcing myself to believe it would be OK to move on and graduate.

Hope exists for juniors and other underclassmen who are like me, the person who was always glad I was not a graduating senior at this time of the year. You most likely will be ready and will need to move on. But for now, keep being thankful you're not graduating. College is something to enjoy, and you shouldn't want out before it's time.

But when the time does come, let go of the past journey. Don't forget it; just let go, so you can embrace the future chapter, however uncertain it feels at the time.



YOUR TURN: LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

SONOR is not about propaganda

I am writing in response to the column"Don't Let Lies Flood Your Mind," published in the April 9 edition of *The Daily Eastern News*.

The part where the columnist describes SONOR as controlling propaganda is ridiculous.

That idea is the exact opposite of what the organization does.

Yes, we are trying to see a healthy behavior change when it comes to alcohol consumption among Eastern students, but we try to do that by giving the students information.

Our slogans are actually modified statistics, not lies.

SONOR is not telling people what to do (that doesn't work); we are informing them on the actions of their peers. We want to destroy the myth that all college students are high-risk drinkers — because they aren't

This is a dangerous misconception that could lead to students feeling pressured to follow this false

We give people the truth, so they can make their own decision.

Also, the column said, "Their methods are terrible." The National Highway and Traffic Safety Association just released a report stating social norming is one of the most promising new methods in making a healthy difference

So maybe the columnist should take his own advice "get all the facts from both sides" before he attacks a Recognized Student Organization trying to make a positive difference on our campus.

In a newspaper that is covered in promoting alcohol use and bars, I would think the DEN would find a group like SONOR refreshing.

Also, the beer stein comment was completely inappropriate; thanks for making our job that much harder.

Candice Anderson
Junior health studies major

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Vote Campus Change today, tomorrow

Editor's note: These endorsements were decided by the fall 2003 The Daily Eastern News fall 2003 editorial board. The board is comprised of editor in chief Jamie Fetty, managing editor Avian Carrasquillo, news editor John Chambers, associate news editor Matt Meinheit, editorial page editor Ben Erwin and sports editor Matt Williams. Today's regular editorial page was produced by the spring 2003 board listed in its masthead.

Although members of the Daily Eastern News editorial board chose individual candidates to endorse in this week's Student Government elections, we found ourselves endorsing a Campus Change candidate in every contested race.

Student Body President Caleb Judy

Caleb Judy, current chair of University Board, has based his campaign for student body president on a solid, if lofty, ambition. He wants Recognized Student Organizations well-connected and well-funded. He envisions a Student Leadership Council that helps small RSOs publicize their events, drum up new members and form coalitions. He hopes to money Apportionment Board accounts so Eastern is no longer the only public university in Illinois that doesn't provide funding to RSOs.

Judy's ideas are rooted in the

each student, professor, administrator, staffer and squirrel on Eastern's campus. He believes each of these groups' support for one another will combat student apathy. If elected, Judy hopes to encourage teachers to allow students to make announcements at the start of class to publicize their RSOs events or coordinate study groups.

As UB chair, Judy has gained valuable experience in leading groups of students and cooperating with administrators and city officials. He builds budgets, plans large-scale events, mentors 12 chairs and has maintained a visible presence in the Student Activities Office. His lack of experience on the Student Senate may actually work in his favor and pull the senate out of a serious rut.

Judy's ideas may need to be scaled back slightly. Creating an branch of Student Government to weigh in on appropriations may pose an administrative nightmare. If the Student Leadership Council, the Apportionment Board, Student Senate and administrators have to approve every allocation made to an RSO, it may create needless complication. Perhaps just allowing AB to make allocations to RSOs with the supervision of the Student Leadership Council would simplify the process.

Still, Judy's hard work and successes in previous endeavors along with his ambitious platform made him the clear choice for the News endersement

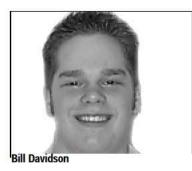


Executive Vice President Bill Davidson

All three candidates in this race could probably be an excellent executive vice president. However, Bill Davidson stood out as a capable, experienced leader with the respect of students, administrators and city officials.

The executive vice president, once known as the student vice president for public affairs, must serve on the Board of Trustees, head up the Student Action Team and work to improve town-grown relations. Davidson served as speaker of the Student Senate for the past two semesters and has spent time lobbying with Student Action Team in Springfield. He was instrumental in working out solutions with the city regarding problems with the Homecoming parade. He has cooperated with administrators, faculty and staff on the parking committee.

His efforts within the Student Senate have been focused on improving quality of life for students by reorganizing parking and adding Cash-to-Chip Panther Card



machines.

When Davidson was re-elected Speaker of the Senate, those who voted for him noted his approachability and passion for Student Government. Senate members said Davidson was always available for friendly advice and leadership and always had his office door open.

Davidson has little trouble approaching administrators and public officials and would be a valuable asset on the BOT and in the General Assembly.

After careful consideration, the News awarded Bill Davidson its endorsement for Executive Vice President

Student Vice President for Student Affairs - Lisa Flam

Lisa Flam, who has already held this position for a year, admitted in her interview with the News editorial board that she spent the first semester getting her feet under her. In her second semester, Flam organized Unity Week, which uncovered some of



LISA FIAIII

the problems Campus Change hopes to attack.

Now a year older, wiser and more experienced, Flam has a feel for the position and a plan for how to do it well. She wants to connect more with the leaders of boards to which she appoints members. She plans to lead by example.

If elected, Flam will be the woman in charge of implementing many of her party's Student Leadership Council ideas. It will be her responsibility to delegate the tasks of coordinating RSOs with new members, funding and publicity. She plans to hold two RSO Fairs, as opposed to the one held this year, and schedule it in conjunction with other events that attract a lot of students.

Flam has the enthusiasm, experience and intelligence to flourish in the position and bring her party's ideas into fruition. She's senate-savvy and won't stand for excuses or apathy. With these factors in mind, she could make an excellent candidate.

The *News* endorses Flam for the position because she has the drive to make good ideas reality.

Other candidates lacked experience, plausible ideas

Two races run unopposed in elections lacking clear front runners

The Daily Eastern News chose not to make endorsements for uncontested Student Government races because of time conflicts. Each candidate was profiled in the News prior to the race.

Larry Ward is running unopposed for student vice president for business affairs with the Campus Change Party. He is a finance major and senate member with experience building budgets as president of the Delta Tau Delta fraternity.

Amanda Sartore is running

unopposed for student vice president for academic affairs with the Students Voice Party. Sartore has been a senate member for two years and has chaired the senate academic affairs committee. She has attended Faculty Senate meetings all year and delivered reports to Student Senate.

The editorial board chose not to endorse Amy Leonard, of the Students Voice Party, for student body president because it felt her ideas were not as strong or well-researched as Caleb Judy's. The major plank of Leonard's platform was a Web site called SINAPSE that would connect the campus through message boards, calendars, professor reviews and classified ads. The News itself already offers many of these services with varying degrees of success.

Leonard also admitted she knew little about technology. The News also felt that Leonard's leadership skills and experience did not compare to Judy's.

The editorial board chose not to endorse Bud Wierenga of the Reckless Abandon Party for student body president. His ideas were either vague, such as being available to students and giving them what they want, or highly unlikely to ever work, like lowering Charleston's bar-entry age. Wierenga also has no experience in Student Government aside from being University Board Concert Coordinator, a position from which he was asked to step down.

The News found each candidate for executive vice president to be qualified and capable, but decided Bill Davidson to be the best possible choice. Kyle Donash of the Students Voice Party has considerable experience working with the mayor and lobbying in the Legislature, but didn't have Davidson's leadership experience. Shermann Thomas was an integral part of the group that brought the Rev. Jesse Jackson to campus as president of Eastern's of chapter the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, but he lacked Davidson's Student Government experience.

The News did not endorse Lindsey Baum of the Students Voice Party for student vice president for student affairs. Much of Baum's experience in Student Senate was as chair of the Shuttle Bus Committee, which has historically been accused of mismanag-

ing student fees, planning poor bus routes and failing to accommodate students. She envisioned a Constituency Council where representatives from Recognized Student Organizations would come to share concerns, a body not unlike last year's weak RSO Council.

The editorial board also did not endorse Matt Kulp for student vice president for student affairs. Much of Kulp's platform focused on the idea that students were lazy and spent the majority of each weekend intoxicated and therefore needed to be corralled or seduced into participating in campus events. The News disagrees. Kulp also had few concrete ideas aside from standing out in the quad with a megaphone to inform students of what was going on at Eastern

Columnist failed to discern fact from opinion in argument

The arguments in the April 2 column, "Tell it like it is, fellow patriots," published in *The Daily Eastern News*, were not only ridiculous, but also flawed. I can stomach her outlandish conspiracy theories about the Bush administration being "in bed" with the FCC. I'll even listen as she reiterates for us Michael Moore's explanation of how "the White House was stolen from the American public."

What I can't take, even in an opinion column, is her inability to discern fact from opinion. She quotes Gloria Steinem as saying, "...(Bush) does not deserve our respect or obedience." She later says she fails to see what's radical about these statements, and more importantly, that "they are facts." It's irresponsible journalism to attempt to pass off what is clearly opinion as fact.

Furthermore, she says "most of America" supports Michael Moore's views. Her proof is his book had "tremendous sales." How does this prove that even one person who bought his book supports his views? I don't know about you, but I don't agree with everything I read. I read her column and obviously don't support her views.

She claims her views represent the "true majority." I say prove it. Her "little miss voice of a generation" attitude certainly doesn't represent my views.

It's great that she has opinions and even better that she has a forum to voice them. She just shouldn't fill the space with mindless, regurgitated babble and unproven "facts."

Jeremy Pekas Senior journalism major

SONOR uses science, not propaganda, manipulation

I am writing in response to the column, "Don't let lies flood your mind," published in the April 9 edition of The Daily Eastern News. Mr. Meinheit is right; the world is full of lies and misconceptions. Many factors contributing to the lies that flood

one's mind are misconceptions.

In his column, the columnist attacks SONOR's use of social norms marketing. Social norms marketing statistics are based on the results from the Alcohol and Drug mail survey that randomly selected Eastern students fill out. Because the survey is implemented in a rigorous scientific fashion, 471 constitute a valid and reliable sample size.

Surveys are collected anonymously, and scored by an off-campus agency, so the data is not "tampered" with by university officials. Eastern is one of many schools that has implemented this type of program strategy. Other schools are reporting that this method is helping decrease high risk drinking and many of the negative consequences of drinking that students wish to avoid.

Social norming messages are not telling you what to do; they are trying to provide true information to decrease the misperception that the majority of Eastern students are high-risk drinkers. These misconceptions and the factors that influence them are the true lies that result in individuals behaving in ways that increase harm and risk of negative consequences. The message "0-4 & No More" is only part of the message. The entire message is "The MAJORITY of EIU students drink 0-4 drinks a week."

I stated previously misconceptions are fed by lies; well how many times do you hear about the sober guy the morning after the party? Typically, you only hear about the drunken people at the party, when in fact, not everyone at the party was drinking andprobably everyone wasn't drunk. Ever seen a college movie showing students studying more often than partying? Many state that all members of fraternities and sororities are drunkards. Is this a truth or misperception?

Out of 2,000 Greek members on our campus, I am certain there are many following the 0-4 guideline. If they were all drunkards, they probably wouldn't be able to handle the academic standards of Eastern. Yet, we see many that are academically excelling. I personally have lived with a

sorority member. While she did drink, I never recall seeing her drunk.

"0-4 & No More" encourages a behavior that is the norm on our campus and many others. It is not more propaganda. I hate people telling me what to do and think as well, Matt. That is why I joined a peer education group.

This way I could educate my peers so that when it came time for them to make certain choices, they had the information to make a healthy one. By using social norming messages, we don't tell people what to think. We give them the facts so that THEY can decipher and make their OWN decisions.

Jessica Galloway Senior Communications Disorders & Sciences Major VP of Eastern's Bacchus peer education program

Faculty union leaders kick off terms in Augus

STAFF WRITER

Newly-elected faculty union leaders begin a three-year term

Charles Delman, Eastern's new chapter president for the University Professionals of Illinois, has been a math professor at Eastern for nine years.

David Radavich, English professor and current union president, compared the position to being a circus ringleader.

"It's the most fascinating job I've ever had," Radavich said, "You never know what's going to happen."

Radavich said the strangest thing that happened to him as UPI president was when a woman called to ask for new applications for a union scholarship because her pet alligator ate them.

Delman said the faculty union faces a lot of challenges, including improving the quality of education and continually developing faculty.

Pat Fewell, secondary education and foundation professor and the elected vice-president, said the union's goal is to work toward faculty development so faculty can do their jobs more effectively.

When the faculty union is no longer negotiating a new contract, Delman said members are planning for negotiations, clarifying contract language, dealing with grievances, building membership and trying to make a union members can be satisfied with.

The main purpose of the union is to help faculty do their jobs better," Delman said.

Fewell said the UPI's purpose when not negotiating a contract is to interpret the settled agreement.

She also said union leaders need to educate faculty about subtle differences in the contract's lan-

Delman described the looming budget crisis as a "sad situation."

"Education is an important social institution," Delman said. "Society should invest in that."

Fewell said the state legislature has yet to make a budget so it is unknown how bad it will be. The legislature has until May 31 to constitutionally make a decision.

Both Delman and Radavich said it is tragic when public funding for education gets cut because people who can't afford to pay for higher education may get left out.

Delman, who was born in New York City, received his bachelor's degree from Harvard University and his doctorate from Cornell

Delman taught at Ohio State University and Claremont College in California before coming to Eastern in 1994.

Delman has been vice president for the last three years.

He said he has been a union member since he began teaching at Eastern, but first got involved with the faculty union in 1999 when he helped the faculty negotiate a new contract.

Fewell has been a professor here for 17 years and has held positions on campus such as director of the Instructional Technology Center, member of the Council on University Planning and Budget and a member of the Council on Academic Affairs.

Fewell also has served the UPI as a College of Education representative and as a member of the years.

Associate foreign languages professor Karl Konrad was elected chapter treasurer, and executive assistant will be associate history professor Nora Pat Small. Unit A faculty representative will be chemistry professor Jon Blitz. English instructor Carol Jean Dudley will be the Unit B staff ACF representative. Academic advisor Julie Sterling will the be the Unit B Academic Support Professional representative.

Sue Kaufman was elected president of the state UPI Local 4100. She was appointed to the position a year ago. She also is vice president of the Illinois Federation of Teachers.

Kaufman is now on leave from the Eastern journalism depart-

Garnering a little nugget of 'Nashville Star'power

By Ben Erwin ONLINE EDITOR

Call it reality television if you must, but just don't refer to "Nashville Star" as the country music "American Idol."

"I wasn't a fan of the 'American Idol' thing," said Jamey Garner, a "Nashville Star" finalist and 1993 Eastern graduate. "Sometimes I watch 'Idol' and cringe a little, but USA has taken reality television and given it a little class and integrity.'

While Garner gained notoriety being beamed into millions of American living rooms, courtesy of "Nashville Star," country music was never his first love or his initial musical passion.

Growing up in the small Illinois town of Chester, Garner began singing in church choirs at the age of four and was subjected to his parent's record collection as far

back as he could remember.

"My parents were country music fans and I couldn't stand it," he said. "I was more into big band and swing and Frank Sinatra."

This initial predilection toward Sinatra not withstanding, Garner said music was a huge part of his life even as he began attending Eastern where he said he was constantly "loitering around the music building."

Garner, a speech communication major, also ran track and pledged Sigma Chi fraternity while attending Eastern, but his love of music continually called.

After eventually quitting track, Garner finally had ample time to do far more than simply "loiter" in the music building. With the help of former Eastern choral director and voice instructor Bob Hills. Garner began honing his then untrained vocal ability and expanding his musical horizons.

"Certain people will have impact on your life and can change your life forever, and he did that for me," Garner said of Hills. "I have always admired Bob.

The feeling was mutual as Hills offered guidance and direction to Garner and helped to tame his tal-

"(Garner has a) very strong natural talent and came in untrained," Hills said. "I tried to help train that ability and give direction. I didn't know where he'd go, but I knew if he sharpened all his skills he could go anywhere."

With the help of Hills, Garner joined a choir group called the Collegians. With track out of the way, Garner could devote the majority of his time to singing and the stage.

"He (Hills) literally dragged me into his office and forced me to sing into a tape recorder," Garner said. "After joining, that's when I realized I'm never as happy as when I'm on stage."

After graduation, Garner headed straight for New York and was exposed to a rather rude awakening as the small-town boy finally saw big city life courtesy of the Big Apple.

"It forced me to figure out who I was and just how 'small town' I was," Garner said of his initial New York experience. "It forced me to go back to my roots."

This return to roots spurned Garner's creativity as he quickly realized much of his new material was in the vein of country.

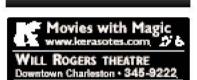
It was also in New York that Garner first met former writing partner Chris Tedesco. Garner said the pair just "clicked" and were able to write songs from their first studio venture. As the partners were working in a recording studio, Garner said he realized he and Tedesco had genuine writing talent when, at the behest of a number of musicians in the studio that day, the duo formed The Ranchhands.

'I always had pangs of wanting to be a solo artist," Garner said. "I originally thought Chris (Tedesco) would be like the band leader and I would be the artist, but he was so talented and we worked so well together that The Ranchhands evolved."

The Ranchhands even released an eponymously titled debut, but Garner's eventual role 'Nashville Star" would cause a rift that remains unrepaired. Tedesco refused comment for this piece, but Garner added: "Chris might not have many nice things to say about me right now, but he's still a good guy with a great heart."

The impetus behind the rift came out of Garner's desire for a solo career and the opportunity "Nashville Star" presented. After SEE GARNER ◆ Page 9





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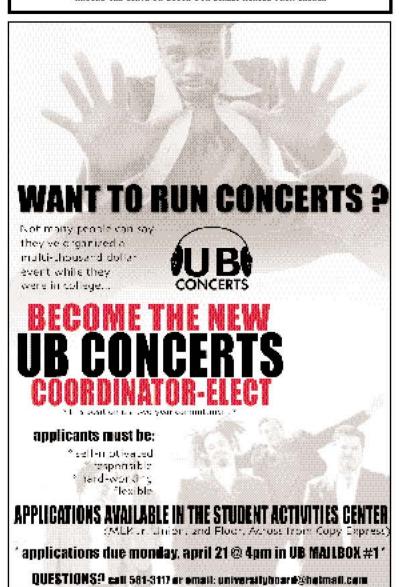
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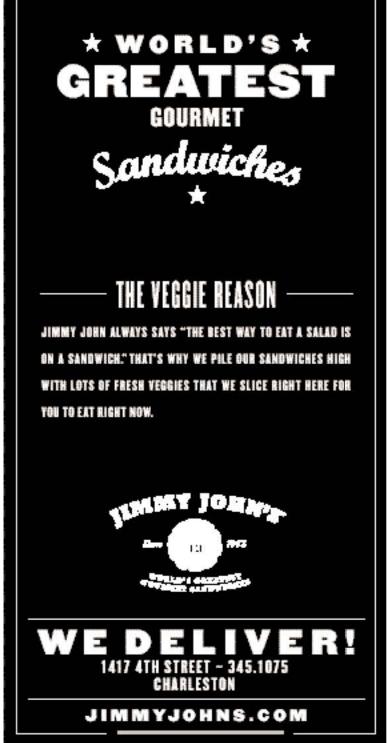
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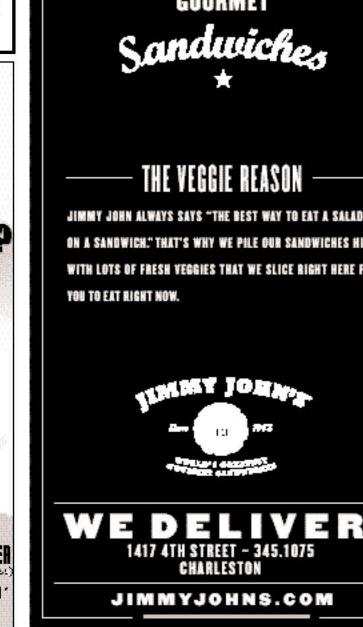
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New staff takes over task of producing newspaper

Staff report

Starting today, the fall 2003 staff will take over production of *The Daily Eastern News*. Staff changes take place a few weeks before semester's end to allow for training and transition.

Jamie Fetty, a junior journalism major from Rock Island, will serve as editor in chief. She previously has held the positions of managing editor, news editor, administration editor and student government editor at the *News* and a reporter for the *Chieftain* at Black Hawk College in Moline. She served as a reporting intern and part-time sports writer at the Dispatch and the Rock Island Argus in Rock Island and Moline and will be a



Jamie Fetty

reporting intern at *The Times of Northwest Indiana* (Munster) this summer. Fetty's duties will include supervising the staff, editorial and advertising content.

Avian Carrasquillo, a senior journalism major from Chicago, will become managing editor. He has also served as student government editor at the *News*. Carrasquillo was also editor in chief of Minority Today and a reporter for the Daily Iowan at the University of Iowa. He has held several internships at the Chicago Tribune and will serve as editor in chief of the *News* in the summer. He will be responsible for managing payroll, design and copy editing.

John Chambers, a junior journalism major from Peoria, will take over as news editor. Chambers has also served as administration editor and student government editor at the News and was editor in chief of the Harbinger newspaper at Illinois Central College in East Peoria. He also has written freelance for the Times-Observer of Peoria and will become editor in chief of the News in the spring 2004 semester. As news editor, Chambers will develop a staff, edit stories and manage staff editors.

Matt Meinheit, a sophomore journalism major from Peotone, will assume the role of associate news editor. Meinheit has also been sports editor and associate sports editor and will be a sports writing/copy editing intern at *The Star* of Tinley Park this summer. He will assist Chambers in his editing and managing responsibilities.

Ben Erwin, a junior journalism major from Plainfield, will serve as editorial page editor. Erwin previously was online editor and Verge editor and has held several editor positions for @magazine. He will design the editorial page and lead meetings of the editorial board.

Matt Williams, a sophomore journalism major from Roscoe, will be sports editor. He will build a sports writing staff and maintain sports coverage. Williams previously was associate sports editor and will intern at *The Journal-Standard* of Freeport this summer.

Matt Stevens, a freshman journalism major from Oconomowoc, Wisc., will serve as associate sports editor and assist Williams. Stevens previously was sports reporter.

Michael Gilbert, a junior journalism major from Burbank, will serve as sports reporter and write regular sports stories. Gilbert has worked as a staff writer for the *News'* sports section.

Dan Valenziano, a sophomore journalism major from McHenry, will serve as activities editor. His duties include building a staff and covering campuswide events sponsored by University Board, the Counseling Center and other groups. Valenziano previously was a staff writer.

Greg McElroy, a junior journalism major from Bellwood, will be activities reporter and write regularly for Valenziano. McElroy previously was a staff writer.

Tim Martin, a freshman journalism major from Crescent City, will be administration editor. He will build a staff and cover the events of faculty staff and administration, including personnel and budget matters. Martin previously was campus editor and activities editor and an intern at *The Gilman Star* and wrote freelance for the *Cissna Park News*. He will intern at the *Kankakee Daily Journal* this summer.

John Hohenadel, a junior journalism major from Chicago, will serve as administration reporter and write stories regularly for Martin. He previously worked as a staff writer.

Jennifer Chiariello, a sophomore journalism and marketing major from Tinley Park, will be campus editor. She will build a staff and cover campus issues such as construction and on-campus crime. Chiariello served this semester as activities editor.

Carly Mullady, a sophomore journalism major from Kankakee, will keep her position as city editor and will intern this summer at *The Star* of Tinley Park. Her duties include building a staff and covering city elections, projects and crime.

Niki Jensen, a junior journalism major from Bettendorf, Iowa, will take over as student government editor. Jensen will build a staff and cover the events, meetings and projects of Student Senate, Residence Hall Association and other student-led governing bodies. She previously worked as a staff writer

Amber Jenne, a junior journalism major from Louisville, will serve as Verge editor. She will create Verge covers, develop a staff and cover the weekend activities on campus and around town. She previously was a staff writer for the *News* and the Warbler.

Kelly McCabe, a sophomore speech communications major from Orangeville, will retain her position as associate Verge editor. She will assist Jenne.

Amee Bohrer, a senior journalism major from Joliet, will become features editor. She will build a features staff, help with guides and special sections and produce regular features. Bohrer previously was a staff writer and will intern at *The Courier* of Lincoln this summer.

Angela Harris, a senior journalism major from Charleston, will work as features reporter and assist Bohrer. She previously was a staff writer.

Matt Wills, a freshman journalism major from Geneva, will become online editor and post *News* content at www.thedailyeasternnews.com. Wills served this semester as associate online editor and has designed several Web sites for corporations.

Colin McAuliffe, a junior history major from Western Springs, will remain photo editor for a third semester. He will coordinate photos with stories, manage a photo staff and scan photos into the News' server. McAuliffe has previously been associate photo editor and a photo intern at *The Star* in Tinley Pack

Stephen Haas, a freshman journalism major from Danville, will remain associate photo editor and also become associate online editor. He will assist McAuliffe and Wills in their duties. He also writes and takes photos for *The News-Gazette* of Champaign and has had photos posted on The Associated Press

Crow:

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"There is a great energy out there tonight," he said. Kelly said Sixpence and the Crows took a few days off in Chicago before performing Monday at Hara Arena in Dayton, Ohio.

Both groups performed Thursday in Clowes Memorial Hall at Butler University in Indianapolis.

Kelly said Sixpence enjoys performing with the Crows

"They are really nice guys and seemed to warm up to us right away. And our bass player is filling in for them," he said.

Duritz told the audience Justin Cary, bass guitarist of Sixpence, was filling in for Crows' bassist Matt Malley, who's father is ill, so the band can remain on tour.

Sixpence said the tour has been a good experience

"We really like it and feel it's a great time to connect with fans," Kelly said. "We're all really close and love being together even though sometimes we'd really like to be home."

The Counting Crows signed autographs and talked to fans outside in front their tour buses after the show.

Students asked the band to autograph posters, clothing, CDs and even a license plate as they asked the band questions.

When asked about about the audience's reception during the performance, Duritz said, "You shouldn't really base your show on that. It's really up and down."

Duritz told one fan that the hat he wore was made by a friend of his and guitarist Dan Vickery explained the meaning of each charm on his necklace to another fan.

One fan tried to give Duritz her bracelet, but he would not take it.

"No, I'll feel bad," Duritz said. "I would just lose it."
When a fan asked Duritz what he thought of
Charleston, Duritz said he hadn't really gotten a chance
to see Charleston.

Stacey Fuhrmann, a senior biological sciences major, said she was excited to see the Counting Crows and to catch the drumstick the band's drummer threw to the audience.

"The Counting Crows are my favorite band and when I heard they were coming it was really exciting," Fuhrmann said. "We saw them in Nashville and this was even better."

Derek Massey, a sophomore computer sciences major at Illinois State University, drove to Eastern with a friend to see the Counting Crows.

"I saw them (Counting Crows) at Northern in DeKalb the first time and this show was better," Massey said. "They had a lot of technical problems at the last show and they played a lot longer this show."

Security for the event was provided by 30 to 40 Eastern students and the University Police Department. The UPD removed one male and one female because they were drunk and underage from the concert before the Crows' performance, said Lt. Christopher Stone of the UPD. Neither of the two were Eastern students.

Paramedics also were at the concert for emergencies. Students on the floor who passed out were carried away from the stage and treated.



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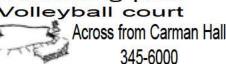
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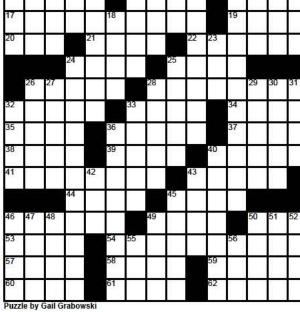
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Garner:

Up and coming potential star hoping to sign record deal

winning at both the local and regional levels, Garner was accepted into the show and performed his way into the finals before being voted off by fans.

Although "Star" was unilaterally met with groans both inside and outside of the industry, and comparisons to "American Idol" were inevitable, USA realized this potential for a fall and went to great lengths to avoid cheesiness often strangling reality television.

"I can't tell you how many times I heard, 'This had better be 'Hee Haw,'" "Nashville Star" executive producer George Verschoor.

Garner echoed these sentiments, applauding USA for being able to avoid the trappings so prevalent in reality television.

"USA and Sony didn't approach this in a cheesy way and the cheese factor in the show could

have been very high," he said. "They came in with a lot of integrity and went to bat for all of the artists to make sure everything was top notch from the backing bands to production of the show."

Even after being voted off, Garner will be a part of a CD compilation USA is putting out featuring "Star" finalists, and he is currently under a 90-day contract with Sony as he still may be able to sign

with the label after the show ends. And although his future is uncertain, Garner has great hope for his recording career and a new found love for the music city.

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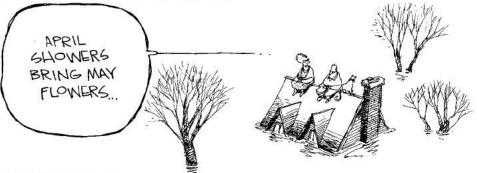
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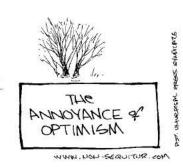
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WOMEN'S GOLF

Illinois runs away; Eastern takes fourth

By Matthew Stevens SPORTS REPORTER

In one of the most lopsided tournaments of the season, the University of Illinois women's golf team dominated its own Illini Spring Classic at Stone Creek Golf Club.

The Fighting Illini used this two-day event to prepare itself for the Big Ten Championship this week, and finished the event an unthinkable 35 strokes over runner-up Grand Valley State.

Illinois was ahead by double-digits after posting the only team score under 300 round of the event.

Eastern found themselves 23 strokes behind the Illini after the first day and one stroke ahead of Ball State and Indiana University-Purdue University at Indianapolis.

The Panthers lost third position by a single stroke to Ball State and finished fourth after a two-day total of 7-over-par 643. Rounding out the field was IUPUI, State, Southern Illinois-Edwardsville, Truman State and finally Tennessee State who finished 136 strokes behind the Illini.

Illinois had its four players finish ninth or higher in the individual tournament as senior Laurin Kanda cruised to a four-stroke victory over senior teammate Renata Young. The individual medal came down to a three-player shootout after the first day. Kanda nearly lapped the field after posting an opening round 5-under-par 67, but Young and IUPUI's Kim Moore were within striking distance going into the last 18 holes. Moore fell off quickly with a final round of 80, but held on for third.

When the round started, Kanda was able to ride her enormous lead to victory by posting a final round 77.

Eastern had its four players in top 30 individually and were led by sophomore Amanda Minchin who finished tied for sixth by posting a total of 9over-par 153. Rounding out the rest of Eastern golferes were Tyra Frederick (81-80), Kristin Hoff (78-85), Dale Morris (89-82) and Brooke Pellock (84-

Eastern will look to finish off the season with a title at the Ohio Valley Championship April 27.

Report: Illini lose Self to Kansas

LAWRENCE, Kan. (AP) - Bill Self arrived on Kansas' campus and joined basketball players for a meal Sunday amid reports that he agreed to leave Illinois and coach the Jayhawks.

Kansas scheduled a news conference



for Monday at 1 p.m. "introduce its 's basketball men's coach." A source within

the athletic department, speaking on condition anonymity, said the news conference was scheduled Monday because Self

did not want an announcement on

The 40-year-old Self, whose first college coaching job was as an assistant at Kansas under then-coach Larry Brown in the 1985-86 season, flew to Lawrence on Sunday, accompanied by interim Kansas athletic director Drue Jennings. Self dined with the Jayhawks' players and school officials at the athletic center. Reporters were asked to leave the building, and Jennings and chancellor Robert Hemenway both declined comment when they left.

Kansas received permission last week to speak with Self about replacing Roy Williams, who left to coach North Carolina last week.

ESPN.com and the Web sites for The Kansas City Star, The Lawrence Journal-World, and The News-Gazette of Champaign — all citing anonymous sources — reported that Self had

Bill Self's record

2000-01: 25-7, Big Ten co-champs

at Illinois

◆ 2001-02: 26-9,

Big Ten co-champs ◆ 2001-02: 27-8, Big Ten Tourney

3-year total: 78-24

champs

accepted the job.

Illinois sports information director Kent Brown said Self talked to players Saturday night, but Brown declined to elaborate. He said Self also has spoken recently to the parents of some his recruits.

The athletic department offices and basketball practice gym on Illinois' Champaign campus were locked Sunday. But one player, speaking outside the

practice gym, told television reporters that he was resigned to Self leaving.

"I talked to him (Saturday) night, and he said the deal was in the making," freshman Deron Williams said. "It was a hard decision for him to make. He had to make the decision that was best for his family.'

SEMO:

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Alvarez was just one run of support off a home run by designated hitter David Lawson in the fifth.

Eastern senior left fielder Danny Jordan got the Panthers' first hit and runs of the game in the sixth inning. He advanced to second when centerfielder Pete Stone drew a walk.

Both advanced on a balk and Jordan scored on a sacrifice fly to left field by third baseman Jeff Cammann.

Eastern gave White all the run sup-

port he needed in the seventh inning. Right fielder Kirk Walters tripled to right-center field with one out and scored on a single up the middle by first baseman Aaron Shelbourne. Shelbourne's RBI single was followed by back-to-back home runs from des-

ignated hitter Nolan Cork and Jordan. White retired the last eight batters he faced in order to secure the win.

The second game of the Friday doubleheader was scheduled to be seven innings, but the Panthers needed eight to win. SEMO jumped out to an early 2-0 lead in the first off Eastern starter Tyson. The Panthers got one run back in the third on three walks and a single by Shelbourne.

The Panthers took a one-run lead in the following inning with a two-run homer by second baseman Chris Uhle. SEMO answered with two runs of its own to take the lead back in the bottom half of the inning, but Eastern tied the game in the top of the sixth when catcher Bret Pignatiello hit an RBI single up the middle.

Micah Gray and Nathan Stone preserved the tie for two innings until Pete Stone homered to left-center field to score the winning run in the top of the eighth inning and Nathan Stone pitched a scoreless eighth to earn his third win of the season.

VOLLEYBALL

Recruits show push for more power hitting

SPORTS REPORTER

Three more volleyball prospects put their John Hancock on a National Letter of Intent to play at Eastern next year.

Leanne Kreps

Mary Welch

Panthers head coach Brenda Winkeler announced

Recruit breakdown

NEW RECRUITS POS. H.S./JUCO

Kara Sorenson Middle hitter Avon, Ind.

Megan Wollin Outside hitter St. Peter

DEPARTING SRS. POS. H.S./JUCO

Setter

MH/OH Marian Cath.

the signings of Leanne Kreps (Forsyth), Mary Welch (Chicago) Megan and Wollin Peters) who will join Kara Sorenson who signed last fall.

Kreps is a 5foot, 8-inch setter who twice earned First Team All-

Brenda Winkeler

"Leanne (Kreps)

is a fierce com-

petitor who is a

student of the

Jennifer Fisher Outside hitter S. Elgin Karen Liss Outside hitter

Macon County honors including a Player of the Year award last fall while playing for Maroa-Forsyth High "As a setter, Leanne brings a wealth of playing expe-

rience," Winkeler said."Her excellent club training will put her in a position to compete as our starting setter right away.

Kreps comes from a volleyball backround as her mother played volleyball at the University of

"Leanne is a flerce competitor who is a student of the game," Winkeler said.

Welch is a 5-foot-11 middle hitter who led Marian Catholic High School to a fifth place state finish at state last fall. During her senior year, she earned All-Area honors from the Times and Star Publications. Winkeler thinks she can play right away.

"Mary comes from not only a successful Marian Catholic program but also the Second City Club," Winkeler said. "She has the skills to play as either a right side or middle hitter."

Wolin is a 6-foot-1 outside hitter and led South Central High School to a 29-2 record. The News-Gazette of Champaign selected her for Honorable Mention All-State honors. Along with that honor, she was tabbed as the Salem Times Commoner 2002 Female Athlete of the Year and 2002 volleyball Player of the Year. She was also named to the First-Team All-Midland Trail Conference team three times.

"Megan will bring power to the outside hitting posi-tion along with size," Winkeler said.

"Right now she would rank as one of the hardest hitters on our team.

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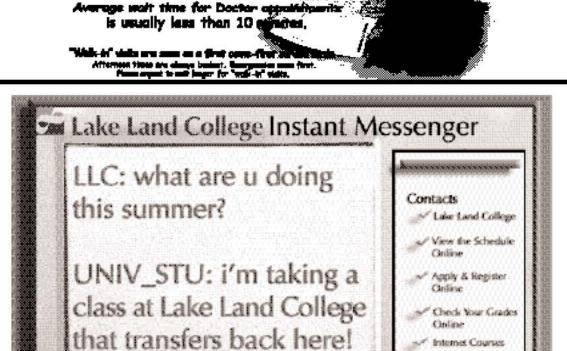
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TRACK & FIELD

Panther sprinters storm through Kansas Relays

By Michael Gilbert STAFF WRITER

The Eastern men's and women's track and field teams split its rosters this weekend. Some members traveled to the University of Kansas for the Kansas Relays and the remaining athletes heading to Terre Haute, Ind., for the Pace Setter Invite.

The non-scoring Kansas Relays resembled an all-star meet with only the best in the nation in attendance. Invitations were based on performances during the first month of the outdoor season. Women's head coach Mary Wallace was pleased with the select athletes that represented Eastern at the Kansas Relays.

"That group did an outstanding job," Wallace said.

Leading the way for the women was sophomore sprinter Alicia Harris. The standout from Wheaton, finished in second-place in the 400-meter dash finals.

Harris was able to run in the finals only after a solid preliminarily heat. She won her seven-woman



Mary Wallace

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opening heat with a time of 55.96 seconds, which was the third-fastest run in the 400-meters. She finished second in the finals with a time of 56.10, slightly behind Southeast Missouri's Hannah Stuckenschneider's winning time of 54.91.

"She (Harris) did a great job in the 400-meters," Wallace said. "Alicia ran a sprint medley just 30 minutes before the 400-meters and didn't have much time to recover, but she still had a great run."

Junior pole-vaulter Mary Wood had a career day at the Kansas Relays. She broke her own school record in the event with a vault of 10 feet 10 1/4 inches to finish in

ninth-place out of more than 30 competitors. Freshman Yvonne Calzonetti of Kansas was tops in the pole-vault with a vault of 12 feet even.

"Mary Wood did an outstanding job by breaking the school record in the outdoor pole-vault,"

The Panthers received another solid performance from senior thrower Tiffany Greenley. Greenley missed the opening outdoor meet of the season at Southern Illinois, but has been throwing well lately and this weekend was no different. The Manteno native placed eighth out of 19 competitors, with a throw of nearly 48 maters.

Wallace said.

"Tiffany had a lot of good long throws that didn't stay in the ring and did not count," Wallace said. "But overall it was a nice meet for On the men's side, sprinter Jarrod Macklin stayed dominant in the 400-meters.

The senior, who won the 400-meters last week at the Lee Calhoun Memorial at Western Illinois, placed first in the event with a time of 47.08 to edge Keyshawn Lugrand (47.18) of Lincoln College.

Jermaine Jones had an impressive run in the 110-meter hurdles. The junior from Belleville finished second in his heat and third overall with a time of 14.52.

The times and runs turned in by the Panthers are even more eye opening when considering the competition Eastern was up against. According to Wallace, the Panthers faced steep and unfamiliar competition in Kansas.

"The competition was really good," Wallace said. "The Kansas Relays were a change of pace because the (Eastern) athletes did not see the teams before."

At the Pace Setter Invite, the men finished fourth out of eight schools and the women finished seventh out of eighth.

For the men, Jason Stark had a top finish in the long jump. Stark's jump of 23 feet 5 1/4 inches was good enough for second-place and earned the Panthers eight team points. Despite having a few of its relay runners in Kansas, the men's 4x100 squad still posted a solid time in the vent. The men finished in fourth-place (42.05) but were just over a second off the lead time turned in by Rend Lake (41.03.)

The women distance crew turned in a respectable effort in the 5,000-meter run. Four Panthers (Lauren Rapacki, Krissy Peters, Lizette Ruvelosba and Amanda Schulte) finished third through sixth in an event dominated by the Panthers.

Also impressive was senior Lexie Nuckolls who turned in Eastern's best performance in the 100-meter dash. Nuckolls time of 12.34 put her eighth overall but was just half a second of the winning time by Korta Dunbar of Southern Illinois.

The Panthers will next head to Des Moines, Iowa for the Drake Relays, held Thursday and Friday.

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Cervetto

Soto picked up the loss going four

innings, allowing one run on one hit.

Becker pitched 17 innings on the weekend, giving up three runs and 13 hits while striking out eight. Lovering was the only Panther to record two hits.

Csora pitched a combined 17 scoreless innings for the Colonels while striking out 20 Eastern batters and walking just two.

Barreras was the leader for the Colonels on the field and at the plate. She robbed North of a basehit in the third game with a diving stop, reached base five times on the weekend and scored the winning run in the third game.

Eastern next travels to play Southeast Missouri at 3 p.m. Wednesday.

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game. The pitchers' arm will be fresh, the hitters won't have the advantage of seeing what the pitchers has that day.

Once the Panthers figured out what Alvarez was working with, they took advantage and took the lead.

White, on the other hand, figured out how to get hitters out. By the end of the game, White undoubtedly didn't have his best stuff with him anymore. He finished the game with 147 pitches thrown. He knew what had worked against hitters earlier in the game and what didn't. It didn't matter that he didn't have his best stuff to work with. Alvarez on the other hand threw even more pitches, 156. But Eastern's hitters were able to figure out how to hit Alvarez's pitches as he grew fatigued.

The combination of timely hitting and smart pitching down the stretch in Friday's game with SEMO should give Panthers fans high hope of going far in the OVC Tournament this year.





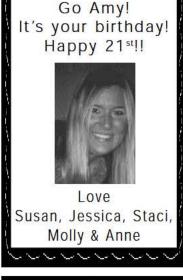
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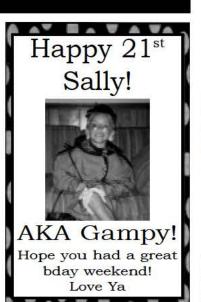
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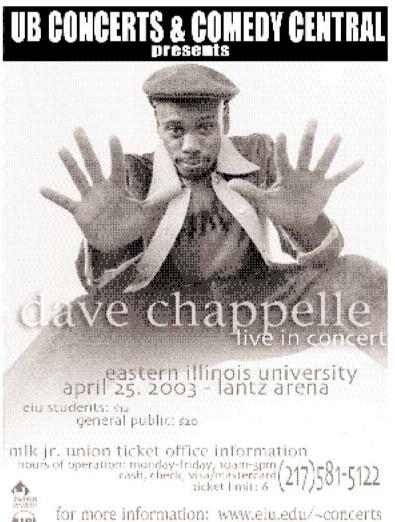




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SOFTBALL



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Freshman infielder Jenny Cervetto pulls back on a pitch during a weekend game against Eastern Kentucky at Williams Field. The Panthers lost two of

Panthers win one of there.

 Panthers win one of three against Colonels in shutout games

By Matt Williams

ASSOCIATE SPORTS EDITOR

The Easter bunny brought a basket full of goose eggs for the three-game series between Eastern and Eastern Kentucky at Williams

All three games were shutout wins with the Colonels taking the first game 2-0 and the Panthers (9-28, 4-9) taking the nightcap 1-0. Eastern Kentucky (20-15, 6-6) took the rubber match Sunday in 1-0 game that went eight

Eastern batters could not solve the Colonels' pitching staff, coming up with just five hits in the entire series.

Seniors Jonelle Csora and Jessica Soto were practically un-hittable, allowing just one run in the three games.

"(Csora) is just a great pitcher," Eastern Kentucky head coach Jane Worthington said. "She had a few key strikeouts when we needed her. Soto pitched a good game too in the loss.

Eastern head coach Lloydene Searle was disappointed her team could not come away with the third game pitching dual between Eastern senior Kristen Becker and Csora as the game remained scoreless through seven innings.

Colonel shortstop Diana Barreras started the eighth with a leadoff single. Jen Christianson advanced Barreras to second on a sacrifice bunt and junior Kelli Bromley sent Barreras home following with a single.

Eastern tried to respond in the bottom of the eighth, but fell short leaving two people on base.

Second baseman Kristin Lovering singled off Csora to start the inning. After a Jen Green strikeout, freshman Cassandra North doubled down the right field line to put runners on second and third.

Csora ended the threat by striking out the next two batters for her 13th win of the season.

"We did what we had to do and I really think we had the momentum," Searle said. "We just SEE MISS ◆ Page 11

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ran out of gas, but how do you run out of gas when you have players at second and third with one out?'

The series opened the same way it started with a tight pitching match between Becker and Csora.

Two Colonel runs in the third would be all that would cross the plate as Csora brought a no hitter into the final inning. Senior outfielder Carrie Ninness got the lone hit for the Panthers.

The Panthers claimed a win in the second game with a solid combined effort on the mound from Ashley Condon, Green and Becker. Condon picked up her first collegiate win going four innings, allowing just two hits while strik-

(Condon) really worked hard," Searle said. "She really wanted to get that monkey off her back. It was well deserved."

Eastern got the winning run in the fifth when senior catcher Kristin Darnell drew a one out walk with the bases loaded scoring Jenny

BASEBALL

Eastern at SEMO: Two out of three ain't bad

 Panthers take two from host Indians in OVC play

By Matt Meinheit SPORTS EDITOR

Eastern's baseball team was outscored 27-19 in three games against Southeast Missouri State University in Ohio Valley Conference play Friday and Saturday at Cape Girardeau, Mo., but managed to return to Charleston with two wins.

The Panthers' (17-19, 4-5) pitching staff held the Indians (19-13, 4-4) to five runs in the two games of the Friday doubleheader, but the

Indians battered the Panthers pitching Saturday, smashing five home runs and scoring 22 runs.

SEMO scored 10 of the 22 runs in the first inning of the final game of the series. The Indians chased two Eastern pitchers out of the game before recording a single out. Junior Jared Marshall gave up five runs off five hits before junior Andy Kuntz relieved him. Kuntz walked two of the three batters he faced and left with the bases loaded and no outs. Senior Matt Tyson came in and allowed all three inherited runners to score, crediting Kuntz with three unearned runs.

Tyson stayed in the game for two

more innings after getting the Panthers out of the first inning, but didn't slow the Indians' offense. Tyson left the game after giving up a home run to the second batter he faced in the fourth inning making the score 14-4.

The Panthers would fall to as many as 15 runs behind. The closest the Panthers would come for the rest of the day would be trailing by 10 runs after the top of the eighth inning.

The Panthers liked Friday's results much better. The first game of the series matched up the top ranked pitchers in the OVC, Eastern senior Damon White against SEMO's Tim Alvarez.

Alvarez came into the game leading the OVC in ERA with White trailing him in second place. But it would be White who would out do Alvarez in the head-to-head match

White pitched a complete game in the first game of the series pitching nine innings of five-hit, one-run baseball for his third win of the season. Alvarez matched White's nine innings of work, but gave up five earned runs.

Alvarez was unhittable in the first five innings of the game. While Eastern was struggling to find a way to get a hit, SEMO gave

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LONG SHOT



Matt Meinheit SPORTS EDITOR

What it takes for OVC tourney glory

Senior pitcher Damon White has the second lowest ERA in the Ohio Valley Conference and going into this weekend, he had a meager 2-2 record.

White pitched well all season, but has suffered from poor run support limiting his record to four decisions.

But when he faced the pitcher with the best ERA in the OVC, Southeast Missouri State University's Tim Alvarez, Eastern's offense came through when White need it to.

Alvarez proved why he has the best ERA in the conference by pitching five innings of nohit baseball, but the Panthers managed to find a way to get White the run support he deserved.

Not only did White get the run support he deserved, but he also got the defensive support he needs.

In his previous eight starts before Friday's match up with Alvarez at Cape Girardeau, Mo., White had yielded 20 runs, but only 11 of them earned. In Friday's game, Eastern's defense backed up White with errorless defense while White struck out 11 batters and forced seven fly outs and nine ground outs.

The Panthers might not have given White the 22 runs the Indians gave their pitching staff the following day, but with timely hitting the Panthers gave White what he needed. When White yielded his only run of the game to give the Indians the lead, the Panthers' bats did let Alvarez hold onto the lead for long. In the Panthers' ensuing at bat they took advantage of their first hit of the game not knowing when the next would come. A leadoff single followed by a walk and coaxing Alvarez to balk set the table for a sacrifice fly to make Alvarez pay for his mistakes, which were

After the Panthers proved Alvarez fallible in the sixth; they proved him beatable in the seventh. Eastern hitters stroked four consecutive hits including back-to-back home runs for for four runs. Alvarez retired 15 consecutive hitters before the sixth inning and by the seventh he allowed four consecutive hits.

While Alvarez unraveled, White got stronger. Alvarez might have pitched better for the first five innings, but White proved what a pitcher does in the last three innings matter

After his teammates gave him the four-run lead, which is not a secure lead for any team with the ever present aluminum bat to provide runs in bunches for college hitters, White finished strong. The Panthers ace retired eight consecutive batters to end the game.

A good pitcher will be able to retire 15 consecutive batters in the first five innings of the

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