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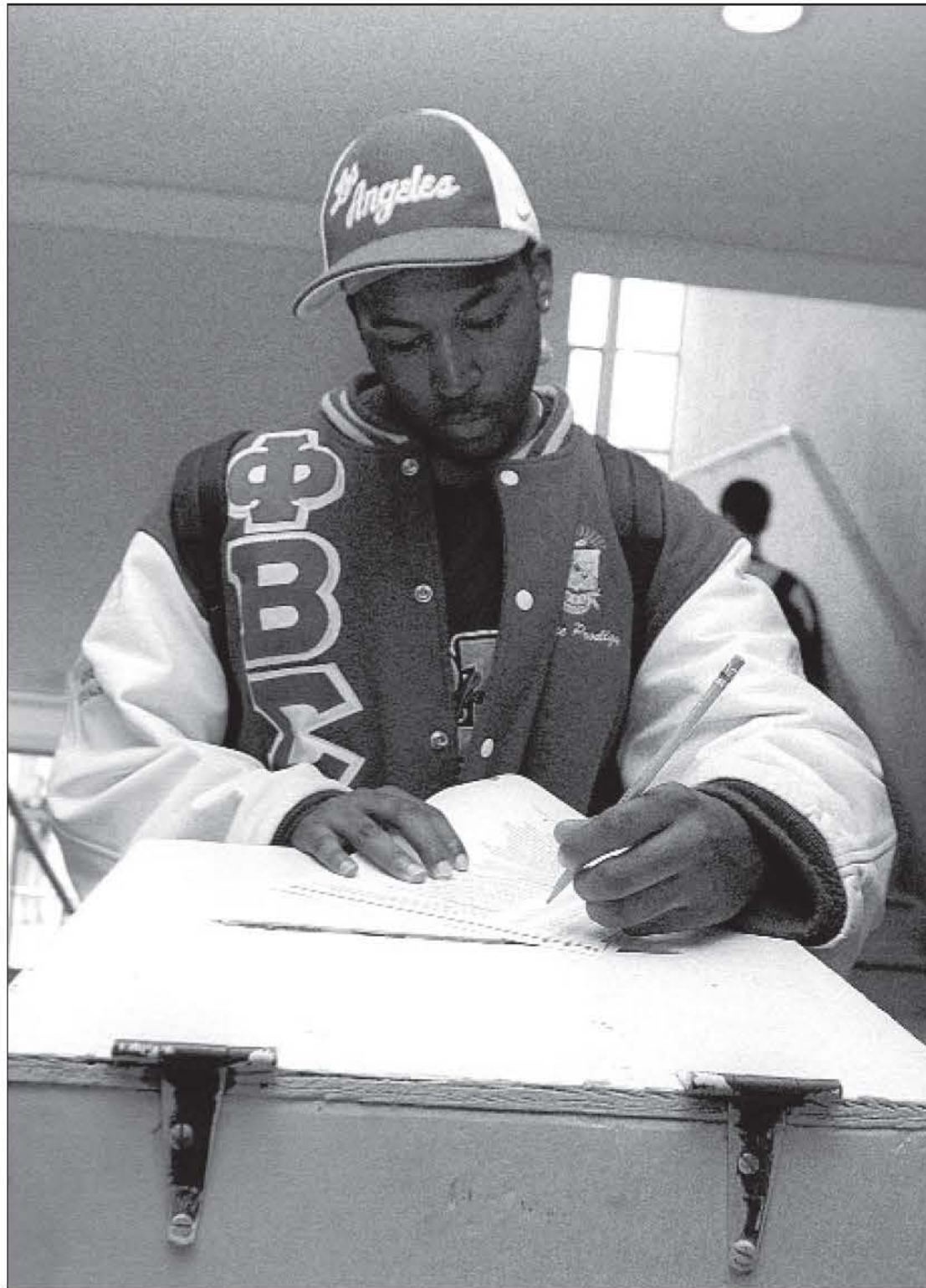
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Three recruits sign for next season.

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Earl Solomon, a junior economics major, votes for members of Student Senate Tuesday afternoon in Coleman Hall.

STUDENT GOVERNMENT ELECTIONS

And they're off

◆ Elections see good turnout in first day

By Brian O'Malley
STUDENT GOVERNMENT EDITOR

The Student Government elections started Tuesday and candidates were on campus campaigning.

The elections are held from 8 a.m.-5 p.m. Tuesday and Wednesday at the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union and Taylor and Coleman halls.

Tables were set up at each of the three locations and posters of the 36 students running for the 25 Student Government positions were posted at each poll site.

There are 12 candidates for five executive board positions and 24 candidates for 20 Student Senate positions.

Seven students are running for five on-campus positions, four are running for six available off-campus positions and 13 are running for nine "at large" positions.

Jessica Horwitz, productions coordinator for the University Board, assisted the Student Government and sat at a table in the Union getting students to vote.

Horwitz said she worked the polls the past two semesters and noticed not as many students vote in the fall.

"There's already more people than the fall, but that's obvious because the (executives) are running," Horwitz said. "Hopefully more people come out and vote because these are important decisions."

Heather Sims, secretary in the Student Activities Center, worked the polls at Coleman Hall and said a lot of students are voting.

"It's a really good turnout," Sims said.

"It's already more people than the fall ..."

—Jessica Horwitz, poll assistant

She said students should vote because the people they choose will be in office all next year.

"It's up to the students to make the decisions of who is going to make the decisions that affect them," Sims said.

Chris Getty, a junior speech communication major and candidate for Student Body President, said he's excited about the elections and is happy students are voting.

"It's good to have a lot of students voting," Getty said. "That's what you want to see."

Getty said he and the 14 members on his United Campus Party have spent more than \$700 on T-shirts, newspaper advertisements and copies of flyers they are handing out to students.

"It's nice that there's a lot of us so we can split it up," he said. "We need to get the voice out there."

Lisa Flam, a senior speech communication and journalism major, is also running for Student Body President. She and her Campus Connected Party have purchased T-shirts, hats, balloons, copies for flyers and a golf cart Flam used to drive students around campus.

"The students really like it with the rain," she said. "If I have to spend money to keep the students informed then it's definitely a good idea. The students need to be informed."



Lisa Flam



Kevin Leverage



Chris Getty



Kevin Coulton

Shining light on safety issues

By Lacey Everett
STAFF WRITER

Students and faculty helped shine a little light on campus safety issues Tuesday.

Residents of Greek Court and Eastern faculty worked with members of the Student Senate University Development and Recycling Committee during this semester's Light Walk.

The walk was organized to point out problems in lighting and landscaping on campus.

This semester the group focused on possible concerns on Ninth Street, Greek Court and Carman Hall.

"The biggest concern tonight seems to be getting light into corners," said Ryan Siegel, recycling committee member.

Sorority members have had concerns with individuals lurking in the darker areas of Greek Court.

"Behind our house it is really dark and we had problems with 'peeping toms' a couple of years ago," said

Nicole Samford, member of Alpha Sigma Tau sorority.

"Even a small light would be good," Samford said.

Concerns about high bushes where intruders can hide were also presented, Greek Court residents said.

During the walk, those present were encouraged to point out any lights that were not working.

"The lights are numbered at their base," said Adam Due, University Police Department chief. "If you see a light that is out, you can call it in to work control at 581-3416," he said.

Due also encouraged students to stay on lighted paths when walking at night.

"We tell people to stick in places where the lights are and where other people are walking," he said.

Landscaping issues are easier to fix than electrical problems, said Mark Hudson, director of housing and dining.

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Alicia Wroblewski, a junior marketing major, points out an area of interest near Table Arts Center to Adam Due, chief of University Police, as Dan Blair, a junior elementary education major, looks on Tuesday night as part of the light walk.

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Coffee house ready to show new edition

By Jessica Youngs
CITY EDITOR

After two months of renovations, Jackson Avenue Coffee House is finally ready to unveil its new addition this weekend.

"A big weekend with music" is how Manager Evan Kubicek described the coming festivities. The coffee house, 708 Jackson Ave., will feature bands each night ranging from local talent to well-known groups.

Employees are hurriedly putting the final touches on the addition, getting everything "shined up and ready to go," Kubicek said.

Friday night starting at 8 p.m., the coffee house will host a jazz night featuring the Travis Wesly Trio from Eastern, which will perform along with other local musicians. Eric Chapman, an employee of the coffee house, will also be entertaining guests with a rendition

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Faculty to share published poetry

By **Brittany Robson**
ACTIVITIES EDITOR

Three past and present Eastern professors have recently released their own books and will be presenting them Thursday in Buzzard Hall Auditorium.

Bruce Guernsey, who retired from Eastern's English department last year, Graham Lewis and Bob Zordani, current English professors who currently teach at Eastern, will read from their works.

Guernsey's book, called "Soldier's Home," is a collection of poems.

"The poems are about men's struggles of coming home from war," he said. "I watched my dad and uncles come home after being shot and shooting back and witnessed them trying to go back to normal life."

Guernsey said the book includes poems about the Civil War and Vietnam War but has a little more emphasis on World War II, because his father and uncles served then. This is only one of Guernsey's published books.

"I felt like I needed to express myself for personal and emotional needs," he said. "This is also a tense time for our nation and I thought it would be an appropriate time to do this book."

Patrick Peters, editor and publisher of Water Press and Media said Guernsey has spent a lot of time researching and reflecting upon this topic.

Peters' company published all three of the books to be presented.

Guernsey's book, "Letters," was nominated for the Pulitzer.

"I am flattered but it is an extreme long shot," he said.

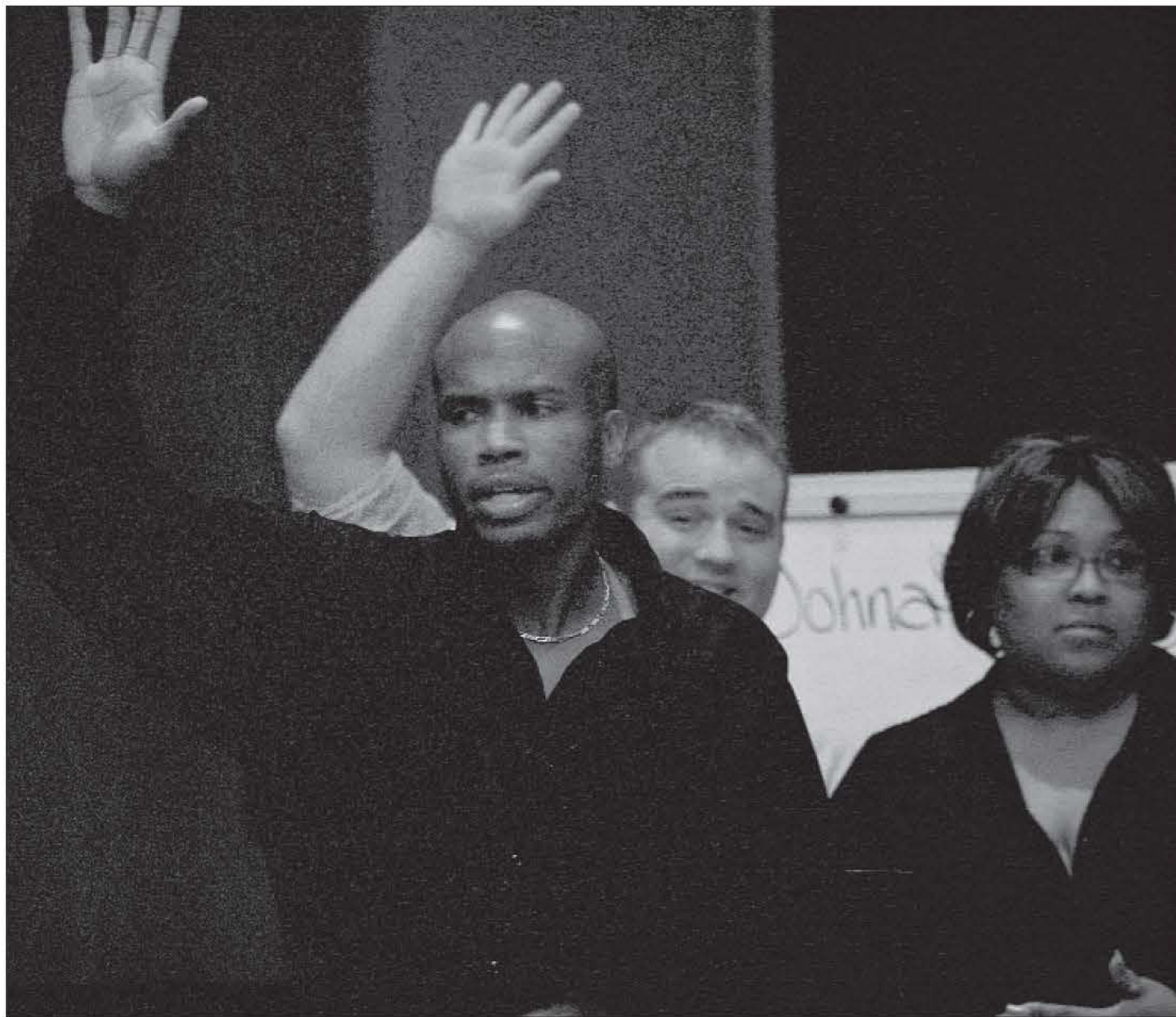
Graham Lewis's book titled "Forever Came Today" is also a book of poems with no single theme.

"I usually write about outsiders, people on the fringes of society," Lewis said.

He said he likes to write about people like that because they are interesting to him. He said the so-called "normal people" consider them outsiders but that is not always true.

"I started writing these poems when I was in grad school in the mid-'90s and others are more recent," Lewis said.

Lewis was invited to attend the Oxford Book Conference at the University of Mississippi. This is a nation-wide book conference with authors who have put out books in the past year.



DAILY EASTERN NEWS PHOTO BY COLIN MCAULIFFE

Jonathan Sprinkles asks students to raise their hands if they are good liars for his Unity Week speech Tuesday night in the Grand Ballroom of the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union.

Motivational speaker extolls individuality

By **Amanda Rhodes**
STAFF WRITER

"The way we think about, feel about, and regard ourselves is the way we think about, feel about, and regard other people," said Jonathan Sprinkles.

Tuesday night Sprinkles gave a motivational speech to Eastern students in the Grand Ballroom of the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union. He spoke about a variety of things that would help people to look past what other people think about them and just worry about how they feel about themselves.

Before the workshop began, he personally greeted the audience members who were waiting on the workshop to begin. He greeted them by shaking their hands, telling them who he was and asking their name.

To start off the workshop, he

decided to get the crowd alive by singing his own version of the song, "If You're Happy and You Know It." The crowd was very energetic and he made everyone feel comfortable.

Another thing he did to get the crowd more into this workshop was he played a game called "What Had Happened Was." For this game he picked four members from the audience and had them make up a lie to get out of a situation that he gave them. Whoever gave the best lie, won the game and got one of his books for free.

After the game he began to go into the main points of his speech, talking about how if people love themselves then it will be easy for them to love others. Then he went on to talk about how people need to be themselves and do not need to change for anyone else.

"An original is not someone who imitates nobody, but somebody

who nobody can imitate," Sprinkles said.

The next thing he talked about was jealousy, how when people hate other people, they want something that the person has.

In the middle of his speech, he asked the people in the audience to think of three things they would see themselves fitting into. He also asked them to think of three things other people would perceive them by.

By asking the audience to do this he made his point that everyone has a label. He said, "we have a disunion between what we say we are and what other people say we are."

He spoke about how in order to please, people need to start declaring our culture. "Hated for who I am, then loved for who I am not," Sprinkles said.

The last thing he talked about in this workshop was how people need to understand how to find

their purpose. He gave two points that would help us find our purpose. First, the things that anger you the most, are the problems that you have been put here to solve.

Second, the people who have been put here to ignite their passion, are the ones that have been put here to help.

The atmosphere of this workshop was fun, exciting and energetic. People were listening and taking in everything that he had to say.

"I thought it was very nice, a lot of profound things were said," said sophomore Bianca Roberson.

"We wanted to bring a speaker to reach out to EIU's students; someone who would share his thoughts about unity," said Bill Kolacek one of the EIUUnity advisers.

The thing Sprinkles wants his audience to leave his workshops with is, "They are especially unique and uniquely special. Be no one but yourself, no matter what."

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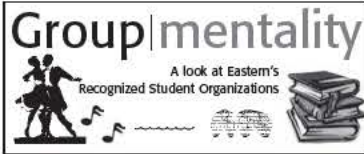
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Zoology Club beyond lions, tigers and bears

◆ *Group is privy to latest research on animal life*

By April McLaren
STAFF WRITER



According to Webster's Dictionary the study of zoology is the branch of biology that deals with animals and animal life, including the study of the structure, physiology, development and classification of animals.

Students in the Recognized Student Organization, the Zoology Club, are practicing that definition regularly by attending field trips and listening to seminars about animals and their ways.

Katie Spoo, a senior pre-veterinary major and Zoology Club president said throughout the year, members of the RSO do research on different aspects including medicine and the environment associated with animals.

Spoo said there are four officers and two faculty members at every meeting, and that there is no set number of student members in the Zoology Club. She said it depends on what activities are planned for students to get involved in.

Even though most members are biological science majors, their specific interests of biology could be all in different directions.

Because of that, Spoo said they bring in various speakers to talk about a particular aspect of biological science.

For example Jaymie Krone, a junior biological science major and Zoology Club member was interested in a recent speech about forensic science.

"It gets you more excited about what you want to do," she said.

While all of the members may not have been interested in forensic science, Spoo said they can still learn something.

"You get interested in other things you normally wouldn't want to hear about and learn

things you normally wouldn't," she said.

Through the seminars, "students get to learn up-to-date research ideas," said Brenda Knotts, biology professor and adviser to the RSO. "It's not just listening to classroom stuff."

Spoo said the RSO meets twice a month with the goal of having a different speaker at every meeting. She said in the beginning of the year, members traditionally get together and throw around ideas to figure out what issues they would like to hear about.

In addition to the speeches, they typically organize one to two field trips each semester. They have been to such places as the Shedd Aquarium in Chicago and the St. Louis Zoo.

"It's a way to spend the day having fun, relaxing and learning at the same time," Spoo said.

Krone said her favorite trip the RSO took was to the St. Louis Zoo. She said she had a "really good time" because they spent the whole day there in addition to having dinner.

On April 24, the Zoology Club has planned a trip to Terra Haute, Ind., to the Exotic Feline Rescue Center. Spoo said the center takes in abandoned and confiscated animals, particularly "big cats" such as lions, tigers and cheetahs. After she graduates in May, Spoo said she hopes to volunteer at the center.

Spoo first became involved in the Zoology Club her freshman year and has made her way to president.

"This year I really wanted to help out as much as I could," she said.

Because of Spoo's experience in the RSO, she said she thinks it will help her after graduation.

"I think it will help in vet medicine because they focus a lot on leadership and extracurricular activities," she said.



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Food me

Theresa Kronenburger, a senior English major and Kerry-Ann Malcolm, a senior journalism major, prepare a common Haitian meal Tuesday night at Newman Catholic Center. The meal consisted of rice, chicken, sauce, beans and Haitian bread. here and here and here and here and here and here and here and here and here and here and here and here and here and here and here.

Local farmers, experts discuss wind harvest possibilities

By Jessica Youngs
CITY EDITOR

Hundreds of 200-foot tall windmills may soon be dotting the farmland of central Illinois, producing cost-efficient energy for the nation's power grid.

Last Friday, local farmers, representatives and conservationists attended a day-long wind energy seminar at Lake Land College to discuss the feasibility of harvest-

ing wind in Illinois.

The extensive amount of farmland in the area provides open space needed for harvesting enormous amounts of wind, said Wes Slaymaker, Windustry Project engineer.

Bruce and Joyce Papiach of FPC Services who also spoke at the seminar already have a large wind farm in development in addition to small home sites.

They said wind energy will

prove to be integral to the area because it provides tax income for the county that has no infrastructure requirements while providing clean energy and reducing pollution.

Although central Illinois was once thought to be in a low-wind area, scientists have recently discovered the area is actually very wind friendly if wind turbines are constructed to be more than 100-foot tall, Slaymaker said.

Although seriously considering the production of energy by wind is recent, Slaymaker said the idea has actually been around for several decades.

"There was a big increase in efficiency in the mid-'80s," he said. "That was the birth of the modern wind industry."

In addition to farmers, agencies such as the Macon County Soil and Water Conservation District are considering building their own tur-

bines to produce energy.

"(The seminar) was very helpful because it gave us the information we needed," said Marilyn Parker, executive director of the district.

She said the agency is seriously considering building a wind turbine to produce its own energy.

Wind energy would provide another intrinsic value to Illinois' farmland, which already provides food, wildlife habitats and open space for enjoyment, Parker said.

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EDITORIAL

Unity week not living up to potential

Unity Week has been delayed over funding, postponed for preparation and now limited by lack of diverse participants.

The Student Senate suggested Unity Week last March to promote diversity.

"We didn't really see a lot of events with impact promoting diversity," Lisa Flam, student vice president for student affairs, said at the beginning of last year's Unity Week. "I was big on diversity on my platform. With Unity Week, we wanted to try something new."

With few groups participating and even fewer groups directly contacted about the event, the intended purpose of the week is lessened, if not diminished. The Student Government, EIUUnity and Alpha Phi Alpha fraternity are helping coordinate events this year, but groups such as Pride and the Asian American Association are just a few of a number of groups not contributing to events. These groups could be called and would add to the diversity the week.

Funds may be a contributor to fewer groups participating, but it's not an issue if the week doesn't address many issues of diversity and unity.

Flam planned all the events last year and had a budget from EIUUnity to work with, but this year is different because groups must search outside the Student Government for funds.

The Student Government is only sponsoring Thursday's Game Show Night event, she said.

Flam says she is the "Student Government rep packaging it all," but "any organization wanting to have an event that week is more than welcome to."

The group would only have to fund the event or activity itself.

Last year's Unity Week included a panel discussion on how diversity is seen on campus, as well as a slam poetry competition and Spoken Word event. This year included a guest speaker as well as last year, but the diversity of groups has not veered much from last year.

The week is not living up to its potential.

A main roadblock to the diversity of Unity Week could have been prevented by taking more steps to promote and announce the event.

"It's been extremely frustrating for me because I have strong support without funding."

Next year will be different, Flam says, because funding for the week will be available through the Student Senate.

Unity Week is an asset to Eastern, but more of an active role needs to be taken in planning for the issues and groups to participate that will improve campus awareness of diversity.

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

OPINION

Anything you can do, I can do better



Carly Mullady
Associate news editor and semi-monthly columnist for *The Daily Eastern News*

Mullady also is a junior journalism major

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"Bend over, shut up and take what we give you," was the response I received to my last column, pleading for women to work against promoting the objectification of our gender.

I was told women will never be equal, that we will always be objects to our peers, coworkers and clientele.

It is my belief that with combined efforts of both genders, change can be implemented. By proving ourselves as being capable of what men can do, perhaps we can progress beyond the images we carry as "objects" in men's eyes.

I'm not blaming either gender for the current inequalities and the slow progressive movement toward fair treatment.

The letter said "... even if you forced other women to quit their jobs and then placed them into more 'suitable' professions, you (women) would still be objectified by men. If you wear a low-cut shirt, we'll try to look down at it; if you wear a miniskirt, we'll try to look up at it; if we stare long enough, we'll start to wonder how good you are in the sack."

That is not how it has to be. When people work for things and take the initiative, change comes. Women are capable of making those changes.

I am capable of making an intelligent argument and standing up for what I believe in, and I am a woman.

I'm in the top 10 percent of journalism majors, I've carried leadership roles throughout my life, including leading diverse

"I've put myself through school with hard work and scholarships, so the only stripping I've had to do was to get into the shower."

staffs such as here at *The Daily Eastern News*.

For every guy who has approached me with some lame line about how good they can make me feel, I've met one or two I could talk to and laugh with and leave knowing I was treated as a human being.

I've put myself through school with hard work and scholarships so the only stripping I've had to do was to get into the shower.

I've been hired based on the credentials listed on my resume and not my curves or lack thereof.

I can change a tire, swear at an umpire, shove a hook through a minnow's head and later take a bigger fish off that hook—and I am a woman.

I can throw, catch, sweat and spit—and I am a woman.

I can use screwdrivers, wrenches, pliers and a needle and thread.

I can drive on the expressway during rush hour and apply mascara in my rearview mirror while doing it.

I know what a hat trick is and that a handicap in golf doesn't require a wheelchair or special parking privileges—and I am a woman.

I kicked, yelled and cried when Moises Alou couldn't catch a foul and Alex Gonzalez missed a play at short that led to lost chances of the Cubs making it to the World Series.

I can build a fire, sleep in a tent and row a canoe. I can cook a four-course meal, wash dishes and vacuum.

I can differentiate between a referee's good calls and bad calls and between real Burberry and knockoffs.

I can run barefoot, in a pair of Nikes or in 3-inch high-heeled knee-length boots. I know the benefits of wearing shorts and tall socks under baseball pants to prevent scars and a bloody mess, and I know the benefits of nylons, seamless bras and thongs in creating a professional, line-free ensemble.

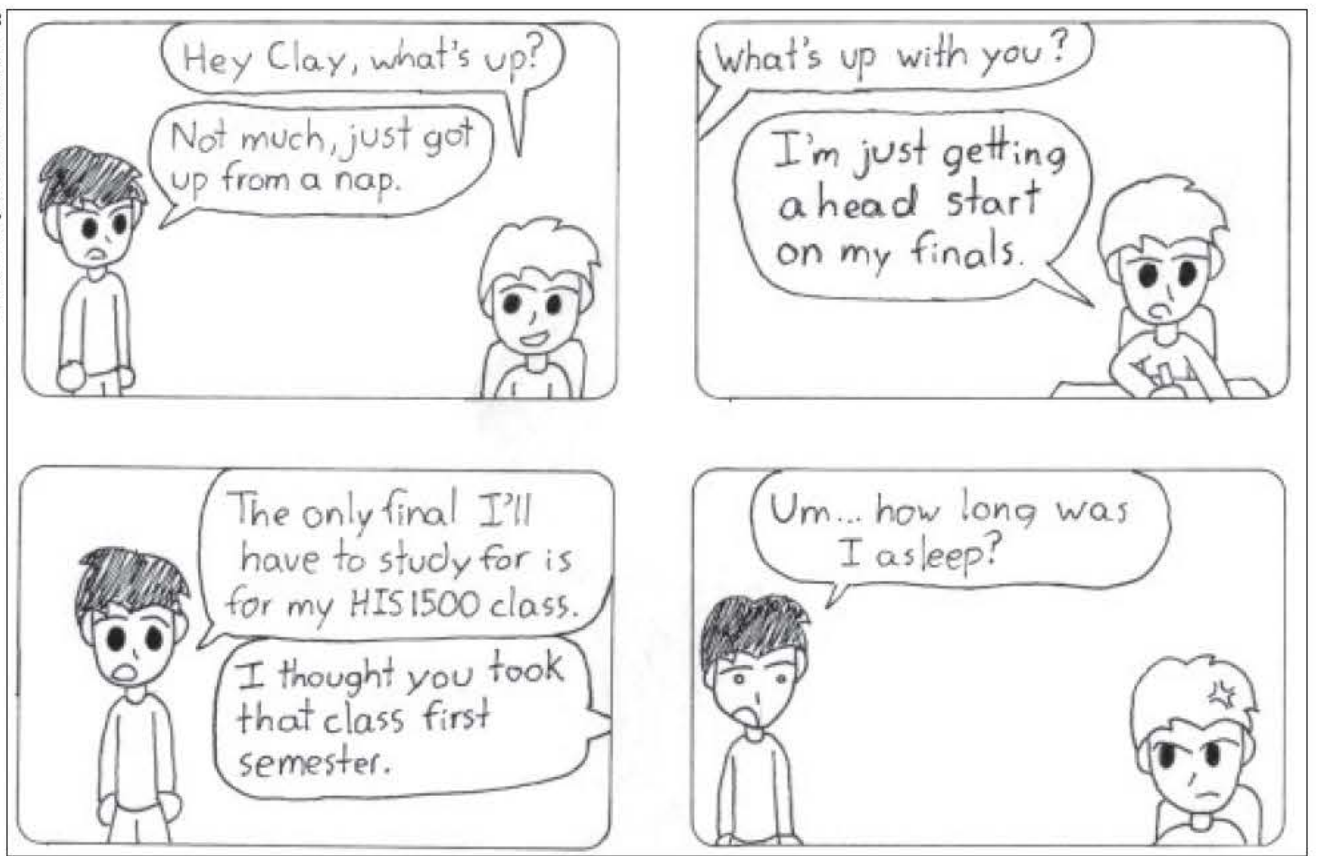
I've loved people, lost people, hurt people and had people hurt me.

I know the importance of listening to peoples' problems, telling the truth and being compassionate.

I know that in life, it takes a person's character, hard work and dedication to attain success.

I go to sleep every night and wake up every morning, and despite any other doubts I may have in this world, I am confident I can respect myself and I will one day find success. And I am a woman.

Cartoon by Adam Kouzmanoff



YOUR TURN: LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Objectification of women will not end

To Women:
You are attacking the wrong people if you are trying to separate yourselves from being labeled as mere sexual objects.

Stop blaming your inequality on strippers, porn stars, prostitutes and other women who flaunt their sexuality. As a man, I'll tell you right now that they are not the reason for your objectification.

Suppose, by some horrible act, all the sexually related jobs that "degraded" and "objectified" women just disappeared today. What would change? You would still be viewed as sex objects because the underlying reason behind

the objectification is not other women, it is men.

As I said, even if you forced other women to quit their jobs and then placed them into more "suitable" professions, you (women) would still be objectified by men. If you wear a low-cut shirt, we'll try to look down at it; if you wear a miniskirt, we'll try to look up at it; if we stare long enough, we'll start to wonder how good you are in the sack.

Do not think I'm saying that you should start wearing jumpsuits or cover-alls. Such a proposal would be ludicrous and ineffective because we would still picture you naked. And no matter what you do on the out-

side; we will always, on one level or another, sexually objectify you.

However, I am not saying us picturing you naked is a bad thing in of itself, it's only natural. But it becomes a bad thing when you combine it with the fact that the male gender owns more power over society and then uses said power to force their natural tendencies on societal values. When that happens, it becomes unjust and unfair to women. Men

keep women down, not other women.

And the only thing you can do to stop this unjust objectification is to take the power and bring down the man. Otherwise, bend over, shut up, and take what we give you.

Greg Lyons,
junior English major

Editor's note: This letter is in response to an editorial column that was printed April 1.

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CHARLESTON CITY COUNCIL

Messick park to be sold

By Jessica Youngs
CITY EDITOR

Once containing a small swing set, Messick Park was used by local children; however, it has long since been abandoned, now only containing a solitary picnic table and commemorative sign for the Messick family.

The park was declared surplus property by the Charleston City Council Tuesday and placed on file for a two-week public inspection.

Located at the corner of State and C streets past the fairgrounds, Mayor Dan Cougill said Messick is now a hazard for children who might one day decide to play there.

"It's a horrible location for a park," Cougill said.

Many years ago, before he became mayor in 1993, Cougill

said the park was donated by the Messick family to be used as a recreation facility.

The remaining relations of the donator have not yet been contacted about the potential coming destruction of their family park. Council member Lorelei Sims said she believes the park sign — a stone with a plaque that reads "Messick Park: In Memory of Harry H. Messick 1881-1962" — should be given to the family.

Appraised at \$9,814, the park will be sold to the highest bidder above that amount June 4.

Although the lot is zoned for industrial usage, Sims said the area would be the perfect size for a small house, approximately 1,000-1,200 square feet. However, for a house to be constructed on the property, the prospective builders would need to go in front of the council and

the board of zoning and appeals to receive a special use permit.

In other business, the council:

- ◆ Awarded a bid for 13 chemicals to be used at the water and waste water treatment plants to eight bidders.

- ◆ Awarded a bid to Springfield Electric in the amount of \$33,700 for decorative streetlights to be used in the tax increment financing district around The Square.

- ◆ Approved an agreement with AIG VALIC for the addition of a deferred compensation plan.

- ◆ Skipped a motion to approve the city budget for the fiscal year beginning May 1, 2004, and ending April 30, 2005. The budget will be readdressed in a special council meeting 7 p.m. Tuesday.

- ◆ Authorized the release of closed session meeting minutes.



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Michael Leddy (left) and Elaine Fine, both of Charleston, browse through a selection of books Tuesday afternoon at the Charleston Carnegie Public Library. Today is the last day of the annual Spring Book Sale.

Finals week finds many study groups around campus

By Evan Hill
CAMPUS EDITOR

With only 12 days left before finals begin, Eastern students are in the process of preparing for the week that will in many cases determine their final grades.

One method of preparing for this last week of tests is forming study groups with several classmates to efficiently cover more material.

Many universities have online guides to forming a study group. Muskingum University's Web site, <http://muskingum.edu>, says that a study group divides an academic task into smaller parts.

While a study group can often

"Make an outline of what you want done."

-Shelly Buckwell

help students prepare for exams, organizing one is often a difficult task.

Utah Valley State College's study group guide advises to ask a professor to make an announcement in class or to send out a group e-mail to classmates.

Shelly Buckwell, an Eastern counseling graduate student who works in the Learning Assistance Center, said to keep study groups small.

"No more than five to a group,"

Buckwell said. "Three to five is probably enough. I would tend to keep them smaller."

Buckwell also said it is important to require the group members to commit to attend the group sessions and to stay on task. It is best to start the group early in the semester and to keep with the same people.

"Make an outline of what you want done," she said. "Make a group leader that everyone is ok with leading."

Eastern's campus holds a variety of places where students can gather, but finding a quiet, private place is important to a successful study session, Buckwell said.

"Stay away from any coffee

houses or places like that," she said. "It tends to be more social related than study related."

Buckwell said the Bridge Lounge in the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union is a good place for study groups to meet.

Several study rooms are located on the 4000 level of the Booth Library. A Booth Library representative said there are 11 study rooms, which can be used on a first come, first serve basis.

The library is normally open from 8:00 a.m.-11:45 p.m. during weekdays, but is open until 1:00 a.m. during the week prior to finals.

In addition to the library, several residence halls offer rooms,

such as Thomas and Pemberton halls, which can be used for study groups. The rooms do not require advance notice to use, but planned events can occupy the rooms so call in advance to make sure the rooms are open.

Student study groups can also be held in empty classrooms.

To request an empty classroom for a study group, a "Request for Space" form must be submitted to the Office of Campus Scheduling, located in the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union.

The scheduling office requires the form to carry the signature of a staff adviser or faculty member, and requests must be made two days in advance.

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From R-L: Ryan Dawson, owner of Jackson Avenue Coffee; Paul Penrod, contractor; Dulcy Dawson; Tom Vance, volunteer helper; Terah Kubicek; and Evan Kubicek, stand in the newly renovated back room at Jackson Avenue Coffee Monday afternoon.

Coffee:

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of "Battle Royale" on his trombone, Kubicek said.

The weekend will continue Saturday night at 6 p.m. with local musicians and proceed through Monday night with an acoustic, tribal, Celtic performance by Madison Greene, a Madison, Wis. based band.

Kubicek said the coffee house

has been trying for a long time to get Madison Greene to come down south to perform in Charleston, but because of the space constraints of the coffee house, the band was unable to play.

Monday night's show, which will celebrate the coffee houses' two-year anniversary, will be "very rhythmic and energetic," Kubicek said.

"We wanted to be able to sup-

port more music — more local music, more diverse music," Kubicek said.

In February, owners Ryan Dawson and Dulcy Dawson received an \$8,000 grant and loan from the city's tax increment financing fund.

"It's going to change the way we do things," Kubicek said. "We were doing mainly acoustic sets. Now we're willing to do a little more electric."

STUDENT SENATE

Attendance policies to be reviewed

By Brian O'Malley
STUDENT GOVERNMENT EDITOR

The Student Senate Wednesday will discuss a bylaw change that will change the requirements for attendance to senate meetings.

Last week a bylaw change was sent to the External Relations Committee to be rewritten.

The original bylaw change would have the number of allowed absences changed from three to four. The bylaw change also requires senate members to notify someone when missing a senate or committee meeting.

Lauren Kluge, chair of the senate External Relations Committee, said she has rewritten the bylaw change to require the speaker to set a date when a senate member can return from a leave of absence.

"I made some improvements that I think everybody will support," Kluge said.

Student Senate Speaker George Lesica said leaves of absence should not be allowed.

"Leaves of absence should be detained," Lesica said. "A discussion should be held with the speaker about why a leave of absence is needed."

Senate member Alecia Robinson said she took a leave of absence this semester because of health reasons.

"It should be just for people with special cases," Robinson said.

Senate member Beckie Diehl said members should attend all meetings unless health is involved.

"Leaves of absence are unnecessary," Diehl said.

Student Body President Caleb Judy said increasing the allowed absences is a negative way to deal with the attendance policy.

"It's a step in the absolute wrong direction," Judy said. "If that's what you think, maybe we need new people on senate."

The senate will also discuss a resolution requesting Blair Lord, the vice president for academic affairs, to look into requiring students to take part in a community service project before graduating.

Lesica said he would like Lord to at least research a service requirement.

"It will only help our relationship with the people of Charleston," Lesica said. "The school really needs to help the town."

The senate will also discuss a resolution that would recommend to the administration that Eastern's alma mater be played before every intercollegiate sporting event.

"It's a pretty straightforward idea," he said. "I'm surprised they don't do it already."

The Student Senate will meet at 7 p.m. Wednesday in the Arcola/Tuscola Room of the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union.

Faculty Senate approves motion on library journals

By Kevin Sampier
ADMINISTRATION EDITOR

The Faculty Senate Tuesday unanimously approved a motion that will address the high costs of academic journals at Eastern.

Senate Member Ann Brownson introduced the motion several weeks ago, which since has been revised and was brought back to the senate for approval Tuesday.

According to the motion, "the Faculty Senate calls on faculty members and departments to work with their disciplinary societies to create more sustainable models of peer reviewed publications."

Brownson said she is happy with the approval and said, "I feel good faculty are concerned with the issue of rising costs of scholarly publications."

Senate Member Assegedetch

Haile Mariam gave a presentation on the faculty development committee. Haile Mariam told senate members the committee has held monthly focus groups, invited external speakers, co-sponsored events and made new additions to the faculty development Web site.

According to the committee's mission statement, "the central mission of Faculty Development at Eastern Illinois University is to develop and

enable excellent faculty to provide high quality service and leadership across the university's integrated missions of teaching, research, scholarship and creative activities."

The discussion of a proposed motion that would deal with students' complaints by creating a campus-wide policy was postponed by the senate until next week's meeting.

If approved by the senate, the motion would go to Blair Lord, vice

president for academic affairs, who would then give final approval.

Lord said he is open to ideas suggested by the senate.

Senate members will discuss a motion next week that will address domestic partner benefits at Eastern. The motion was also postponed during Tuesday's meeting.

The Faculty Senate will meet at 2 p.m. Tuesday in the Booth Library Conference Room 4440.

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Several help in walk

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"Electricians have a lot of priorities all over campus," he said. "We have invested a lot of dollars in ... landscaping in the past few semesters."

After the walk, the senate recycling committee will discuss a list of safety concerns from the walk, Siegel said.

"The committee then formulates plans as far as different solutions to be proposed to housing. Then housing takes the plans to the building service workers to be put on the list to get done," Siegel said.

According to Hudson, some of the issues will be addressed fall semester.

Hudson proposed that the senate University Development and Recycling Committee make sketches of lighting plans and present them to the residents living at Greek Court and see what they think.

"We will have to prioritize (the issues)," Hudson said. "We want to do what reflects what the students want and follow up accordingly."

STATE NEWS BRIEFS

Man gets 50 years in prison for slaying

ROCKFORD, Ill. (AP) — A Rockford man has been sentenced to 50 years in prison for shooting an 8-year-old boy while he slept in his bed.

Before the sentence was announced Monday, Anthony Ross told Judge Joe McGraw that he was wrongly convicted.

"I don't have anything to do with this crime," Ross said. "That young man is not the only victim, I'm a victim as well."

A Winnebago County jury deliberated for three hours before finding Ross guilty of murder in February for the death of DeMarcus Hanson on April 14, 2002.

Prosecutors said Ross and two other men, TyJuan Anderson and LuMont Johnson, fired four shots

from a 9 mm handgun through a window near the bed where DeMarcus slept at his great-grandmother's house; he was shot in the head.

They said DeMarcus' uncle, Alex Dowthard, was the intended target.

Anderson and Johnson were found guilty of murder in separate trials. Both were sentenced to 50 years in prison.

Assistant Deputy State's Attorney Mark Karner said Monday's sentence was appropriate.

"We think the sentence reflects the crime and his history of criminality," Karner said.

DeMarcus was the second child lost to his mother, Rita Hanson. Her 3-year-old daughter died in 1998 after being accidentally run over.

NATIONAL NEWS BRIEFS

Two children killed in stabbing

NEW LONDON, Conn. (AP) — A man seriously wounded his ex-girlfriend and stabbed their toddler son and the woman's 10-year-old sister to death early Tuesday before wounding himself, authorities said.

A neighbor who sheltered the ex-girlfriend was also stabbed and wounded, authorities said.

The two children, 15-month-old Josiah Swain and his 10-year-old aunt, Emmaline Turner, were killed at the Thames River public housing complex, Deputy Police Chief William Gavitt said.

The suspect, Robert Swain III, 23, was being treated for

what appeared to be two self-inflicted superficial stab wounds to the chest, authorities said. Swain, the boy's father, was due to be arraigned on two counts of capital felony, which carry a possible death sentence, Gavitt said.

Swain's 20-year-old ex-girlfriend, Jennifer Turner, and a neighbor, Rita Whitehead, were stabbed, authorities said.

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WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

Third coaching candidate already at home in the OVC

By Matthew Stevens
SPORTS EDITOR

The third Eastern candidate for the women's basketball head coaching position will certainly feel at home in the Ohio Valley Conference.

Blair Savage-Lansden has come to Charleston to meet with administration and the search committee today and will be available to meet the public in an open session from 1-2 p.m. Wednesday in the Lantz Arena Club Room.

Savage-Lansden spent last season as an assistant coach and recruiting coordinator with Belmont University located in Tennessee, a state which has four schools in the OVC.

During the 2003-2004 season with the Bruins, Savage-Lansden worked under head coach Tony Cross helping Belmont to a 16-12 overall record and Co-Atlantic Sun Conference regular season title by earning a 14-6 mark. The top-seeded Bruins were upset in the first round of the conference tournament to end their season.

Prior to her year with Belmont, Savage-Lansden spent nine years as an assistant at the University of Memphis. Her first two years were as a part-time coach but was promoted to full-time and became in charge of recruiting and on-the-floor coaching of the guards also helping in the scouting process.

The Tigers made three consecutive postseason trips to the Women's National Invitational Tournament advancing as far as the semi-finals. Memphis had a combined 57-35 record in that three-year period.

Savage-Lansden is still considered arguably one of the best players in Arkansas women's basketball history as her name can be found in the record books. Prior to the 2003-2004 season, she still ranked among the Razorbacks all-time leaders in four categories (17th in points, third in rebounds, 11th in assists and 10th in blocked shots). Also, in 2001, she was named to the Lady Razorback Silver Anniversary Team.

A major family move would be in order if Savage-Lansden is given the position as Blair and her husband, Bill, live in Murfreesboro, Tenn.

Family:

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After being an assistant at both Bradley and his alma mater Southern Illinois at Edwardsville, Margenthaler believes he has the qualities to make his head coaching debut at Eastern.

"I can provide the energy needed to bring this program to prominence because the X's and O's stuff will be taken care of by getting out and running," Margenthaler said. "We will play 94 feet of basketball if given the opportunity."

In his meetings with the prior interview Steve Bruce and Margenthaler, Samuels noticed right away the style difference in both candidates.

"Bruce wants a controlled tempo and half court style," Samuels said. "Ty wants to run the ball up and down the floor."

Margenthaler's brother Matt said he cringed when he told them the interview was with the rival Eastern.

"Being a Leatherneck graduate and former player, it would be different to cheer for the Panthers because of my brother," Matt Margenthaler said.

Margenthaler also mentioned a quality asset he could bring instantly to the program. He has strong ties to the city of Chicago

and St. Louis through the AAU programs

"I have proven as co-recruiting director at Bradley that I have been able to recruit in the state of Illinois," Margenthaler said.

"(Recruiting) is the key in college basketball," Matt Margenthaler said. "He has talked to high school coaches in the state and they've said 'hey aren't you Jack's son?'"

The one concern Margenthaler has about the team he could possibly inherit is the injuries that have hit the Panthers in the offseason.

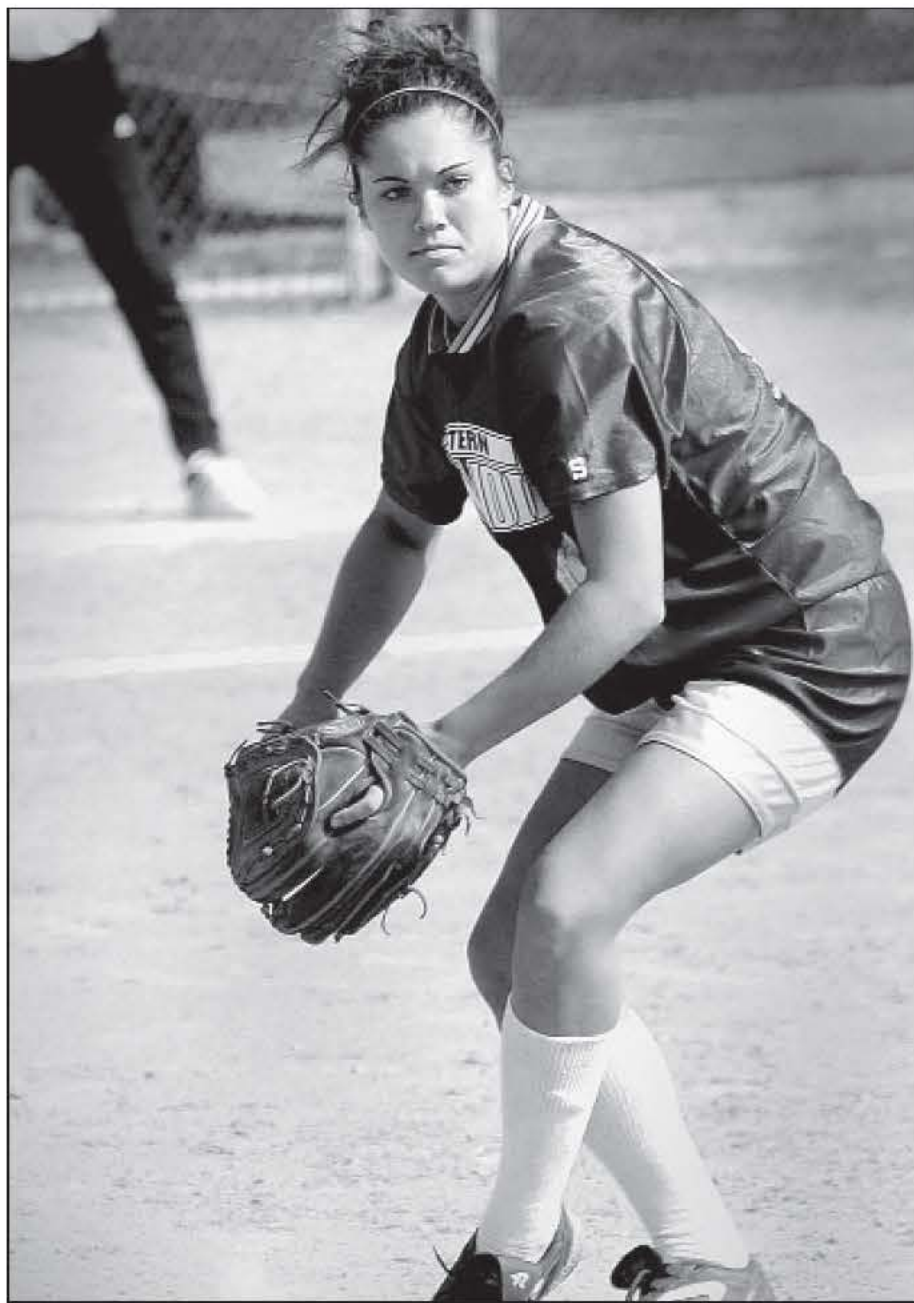
"I think we've got four healthy players right now so I've talked to the training staff and we need to get them 100 percent before we start our offseason summer workouts," Margenthaler said.

The perception of not being able to hire a young and inexperienced coach is not something his older brother said he should be concerned with.

"Around the nation, you see schools going to the younger guy with lots of energy and that's Ty," Matt Margenthaler said. "Players want to play for a young guy that they can relate to, that's very crucial."

Eastern will be bringing another candidate in to meet the public tomorrow and are expected to bring in one more before naming a head coach.

SOFTBALL



Freshman pitcher Amanda Darnell throws a fielded grounder to first base last Thursday against Western Illinois University. Darnell and the Panthers will travel to Martin, Tenn. to play an Ohio Valley Conference doubleheader against the University of Tennessee-Martin Skyhawks Wednesday.

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Panthers head into doubleheader

By Dan Renick
STAFF WRITER

Eastern's softball team will travel to Tennessee-Martin today to play the Skyhawks in a doubleheader beginning at 2 p.m.

The Panthers (18-25, 6-8) are hoping to keep their Ohio Valley Conference success rolling, winning eight of their last 10 games and four of their last five in conference. The Panthers will be led into Bettye Giles Field behind Nicole Davis. Davis has posted an 11-7 record this year with a 3.42 ERA. Davis has also fanned 72 batters and thrown five shutouts.

Helping Davis at the plate will

Hohenadel:

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Another thing that disappointed me was when Todd Helton hit his bomb to right field. His homerun sailed into the upper deck and the Cardinal fan who caught the ball threw it back onto the field. I

stood up in anger and yelled "You stole that from us." On my way out of the stadium I was yelling "Go Rockies," in attempt to get some kind of reaction from some liquored up Cardinals fans. I finally got one. These four youngsters, who couldn't have been over 17, yelled back at me, clad in Cubby

be the Skyhawks sophomores Jennifer Young, who is leading the team with a .319 average, and Emily Webb, who leads the team in home runs (4) and RBIs (22). Tennessee-Martin are 12-7 overall at home and only 3-3 against Ohio Valley opponents. However, Eastern is hoping to turn their luck on the road around. The Panthers are 5-15 on the road and 3-8 at OVC opponents, but have started the turn around when they took two out of three at Austin Peay last weekend.

blue, "Rockies suck." They had missed the point. For I am not a Rockies fan, I am just an obnoxious Cub fan. So as they went on and on about how the Rockies would finish the season below .500 and all this other stuff, I simply shook my head in agreement with them.

Cardinals fans are just too nice.

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Freshman catcher Sandyn Short led Eastern to a 5-1 record last week and was named Ohio Valley Conference 'Co-Player of the Week.' Short finished the week 15-for-21 with six doubles, three homeruns, 12 RBI and five walks.

"I try not to think about it (the record) as much as I can. People talk about it from time to time, but I try to ignore all that and just go out and play." – Sandyn Short

Short stands TALL

In her freshman year, catcher Sandyn Short has already established herself as Eastern's best hitter, and should stay that way for a while

By Aaron Seidlitz
SPORTS REPORTER

Freshman year isn't supposed to be like this; it's a simple concept, incoming freshmen, are supposed to take time before they reach their potential.

Sandyn Short has proven to be the exception to the rule with the Panthers, as her freshman year has become a resounding success.

Short, along with four other members of this year's freshman class, have been getting plenty of playing time.

Playing these five freshmen has been a benefit and not a deterrent to this year's team. The main reason for that has been the play of Short, who has made quite an impact on the Panthers even though this is only her first year with the team.

"I've been after her, as a recruiter, since her sophomore year in high school," Eastern manager Lloydene Searle said. "I recruited her because I knew she would be able to hit and field, and she's proving me right."

What Searle and others didn't expect was the extent to which she has been successful. Going into her next game, Short will be trying to break the single-season record for home runs at Eastern.

The focus of this freshman has been far from breaking this record, which is probably part of the reason she has been able to continue hitting for power.

"I try not to think about it (the

Threatening records

With 13 games left in her freshman season, catcher Sandyn Short is in position to set several new single-season school records.

	CURRENT RECORD	SHORT IN 2004
Average	.427	.448
Homeruns	7	7
Runs Batted In	37	33
Total bases	101	101

record) as much as I can," Short said. "People talk about it from time to time, but I try to ignore all that and just go out and play."

She also doesn't let the fact that she has found success change her approach at the plate.

"I haven't changed the way I've played all year," Short said. "I just try to put ball in play, and if I hit it good enough then it will go."

"But still my approach at the plate is just to try and get singles, not focus on power numbers or anything like that."

The fellow members of her freshmen class have helped her transition into her first season with the softball team at Eastern. Three of them are pitchers, Short has had extensive experience working with these players in particular because they are battery mates.

The fact that three freshmen are pitchers along with the catcher could have proven to be a negative thing if the situation wasn't handled properly. But Searle never doubted Short's mentality as a leader behind the plate, and thought that the freshman would come together in a positive fashion.

"I never doubted her in any facet of her game; leadership or her play on the field," Searle said. "I thought she would get along great with the young pitchers and she has."

"Because she acts like a veteran catcher, there really hasn't been an issue there. She's been great with all of our pitchers."

But beyond the personal accolades, Short looks most forward to the years she will have with the young group of players she is with now.

"It is awesome to know that when I was coming here I would be with players who were going to have success," Short said. "It was a major factor knowing that a group of players were going to be here for the four years I would be here."

With this group of freshmen, with the likes of Short leading the team, the next three years should be fun to watch as these players learn the game together.

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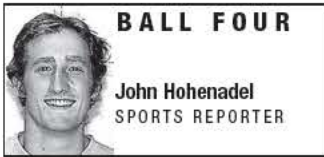
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BALL FOUR

John Hohenadel
SPORTS REPORTER

Busch not the same as Wrigley

This past weekend I was in St. Louis. If you read my columns you all know about my Chicago bias. I don't think St. Louis was ready for me.

The reason I went to St. Louis was because my roommate's girlfriend invited me and my other two roommates to her sorority formal.

I, of course, agreed to a weekend away from Charleston.

The formal was a good time but you all don't care about that. This is a sports column so I'll get to the sports part.

I went to Busch Stadium on Sunday to see the Colorado Rockies flatten the St. Louis Cardinals. Even though it seemed like everyone and their mother was at the Cardinals game, judging by the fact that the rest of the city was a ghost town, it wasn't the first time during the weekend I'd run into more than 10 people in a group all wearing Cardinal gear.

I am from Chicago and Cubs fans love their team so much they would continue to root for them through years and years of losing. However, Cubs fans cannot compare to Cardinals fans when it comes to wearing team colors.

In the Union Station mall, I must have seen three stores in which they sold nothing but Cardinal gear. I'm sure they have those kind of stores in Chicago, but I haven't found them.

I remember telling myself that it would be great if all the Cubs fans wore blue and all the Cardinals fans wore red during a Cubs/Cardinals series at Wrigley. All you would see is a mass of blue and red. It would definitely be something to see.

Cardinal fans are too nice.

When I went to Busch, my roommates and I were all sporting our Cubs gear and nobody in the stadium said a negative word to us. It wasn't even a Cubs/Cardinals series and we were walking around Busch Stadium in Cubs gear. Every time the Rockies did something good, we cheered. If a Cardinal fan tried to pull that at Wrigley, they might not be leaving in one piece.

Another thing I noticed during the game is that being 21 years old at a ball game could be the biggest disappointment since finding out Santa Claus wasn't real. A large beer at Busch Stadium will run you a cool \$8.75. Ouch! I think I'll stick to bottled water. Wait a minute \$4.00 for bottled water!

What probably disappointed me the most about my trip to Busch was the fact that during the seventh inning stretch most Cardinal faithful stood up but I didn't hear many of them singing "Take me out to the ball game." I watched and sang in awe. I, of course, said "root root root for the Cubbies" in my loudest and most obnoxious voice so Cardinals fans would recognize a diehard Cubs fan had infiltrated their baseball sanctuary.

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WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

A family tradition

Ty Margenthaler hopes to become the third person in his family to coach a college basketball team

By Matthew Stevens
SPORTS EDITOR



Ty Margenthaler

Ty Margenthaler only knows how to do one thing which led his attempt to carry on the family name as a head coach and apply for the Eastern vacancy.

"We don't know how to do anything else but coach basketball," older brother and head coach at Division II Minnesota State Matt Margenthaler said.

The younger Margenthaler pointed out his family ties as a strong reason to be hired into the Panther program that is looking to fill its vacancy after not renewing Linda Wunder's contract March 1.

"Having a father that was the long-time coach at Western and my

brother being a head coach, it would be a comfortable transition to make and one that my career is ready for," Margenthaler said.

Margenthaler's father, Jack, coached from 1977-92 and was a traditional rival for current Eastern men's basketball head coach Rick Samuels. Samuels

Keeping up with the family

NAME	Jack Margenthaler	Matt Margenthaler
RELATION	father	brother
SCHOOL	retired	Minnesota State (Manketo)

could now possibly look forward to having Jack's son as a colleague in the basketball office.

"I watched Ty grow up from 10 years old and on," Samuels said. "It would be interesting and fun to watch. It would also be nice to see Jack at the games again because he was always an emotional, colorful

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and very entertaining coach." Samuels discussed how the elder Margenthaler and him were a part of the state's biggest basketball rivalry for a period of time. Samuels came out on top in the end by holding a 16-9 career record over him in the coaching matchup.

"You have to understand that was when the EIU-WIU matchup was huge," Samuels said. "When both arenas were packed to capacity."

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BASEBALL



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Senior second baseman Chris Uhle applies a tag on Jacksonville State's Bobby Hicks during the teams series in early April. Wednesday, the Panthers will host Saint Louis at Coaches Stadium starting at 3 p.m.

Saint Louis sweeter second time - hopefully

By John Hohenadel
SPORTS REPORTER

On Tuesday March 30 the Panther baseball team traveled to St. Louis to take on the St. Louis Billikens and came back with a 19-10 loss.

In that game, the Panthers walked 18 batters, left 13 men on base and gave up eight runs in the bottom of the second inning.

"That was a low spot for us," said head coach Jimmy Schmitz.

Alex Chapple had eight of those 18 walks in St. Louis but has been pitching much better as of late.

The Panthers will look to avenge that loss when the Billikens come to Coaches Stadium tomorrow at three o'clock.

After a team has such a dismal performance and they get another shot at them later in the season, revenge may be on their minds. However Schmitz said he's not thinking revenge as much as he's thinking about preparation for this weekend.

"There's only so much you can do in practice," Schmitz said. "The games are what keeps us

sharp."

Schmitz said going into last weekend's series against Samford his team was sharp because of the midweek non-conference game against Northern Illinois.

He expects to use St. Louis the same way as the Panthers used Northern.

The Panthers have a big three game series against conference foe, Southeast Missouri State this weekend. The Indians sit in third place in the Ohio Valley Conference at 7-5, just one game behind the Panthers. If the Panthers aren't sharp for the series, it could hurt their chances of winning the OVC.

Schmitz said he can't remember the last time the Panthers played well against the Billikens. Off the top of his head, Schmitz thinks they've lost their last six to St. Louis.

"We just haven't played well against them," Schmitz said. "It doesn't make sense when you look at the teams we don't have a problem with."

This year the Billikens are 11-26 overall and 2-12 in conference. They play in Conference USA,

which Schmitz said is a "good conference."

The Billikens are led by Drew Eder, who is batting .323 with 20 runs batted in. Scott Peden and Kyle Wort both have six homers and are both batting at least .270.

Their weakness looks to be their pitching. Opponents are batting over .300 against 11 of their 17 pitchers.

Kris Weber holds the lowest earned run average (2.14) with at least three innings pitched. Dave Guntorius has the second lowest ERA with a 4.83.

Only one pitcher on the staff, Kris Weber, has a winning record (3-2). However, he has walked as many batters as he has struck out.

The Panthers come into the game at 13-20 overall and 8-4 in OVC play.

Andy Kuntz, Erik Huber, Brian Long and Chris Vaculik will all get some work in tomorrow with Huber starting it off.

"I've been impressed with what I've been seeing from our 5-8 pitchers," Schmitz said. "We asked them to step it up and they have."