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BOARD OF TRUSTEES

# Board unanimously approves tuition increase

New rate is lowest increase in 11 years

By Rachel Rodgers Administration Editor

The Board of Trustees approved a 3.7 percent tuition increase Friday for 2012-2013 incoming students, which is the lowest increase in 11 years.

The board also approved an expenditure request for \$367,340 and named three campus rooms after individuals who had a positive effect on Eastern.

The tuition rate increased by \$10 per semester credit hour from \$269 to \$279, and last year the tuition rate raised 5.9 percent from \$254 to \$269.

President Bill Perry said the tuition increase will be locked in for students for at least four years because some programs such as teacher certification require more semesters for graduation.

Perry said the university consults different tuition trends such as from the Consumer Price Index, a data engine that stems from the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, when deciding tuition in-

The average tuition increase over the last four years is 7.4 percent, according to the CPI-Urban Midwest.

The trend line gives us a sense of what pressures parents and students have been under financially," Perry said. "We also look at what we expect state funding to be and what the en-

rollment numbers are."

Perry said affordability is a key concern of the administration with recruiting and retaining students, and the low tuition increase and the room and board increase of 3.25 percent that was approved by the board at its Jan. 20 meeting reflect that.

"The (room and board) increase was the lowest in 20 years, so it is a one-two punch for affordability," Perry said.

The board also approved an expenditure request of \$367,340 for a digital nuclear magnetic resonance spectrometer for the chemistry department.

William Weber, the vice president for business affairs, said this device will replace the spectrometer that was vandalized during Thanksgiving Break.

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#### Board of Trustees receives technology report, votes on honorary degrees

By Amy Wywialowski Staff Reporter

At Friday's Board of Trustees' meeting, the board received a technology report as well approved the candidates for honorary degrees that will be awarded this academic year.

Robert Martin, the vice president for university advancement, presented the candidates for honorary degrees.

"Anybody can recommend a candidate to receive an honorary degree, but the selection committee can only recommend a maximum of four for the board to approve," Martin said. "Most of the candidates are usually Eastern alumni but they do not have to be.'

This year the committee recommended four candidates: Sean Payton, coach of the New Orleans Saints; Robert Corn-Revere, a lawyer who specializes in First Amendment and communication law; Robert Holmes, founder of the Astronomical Research Institute; and Julie Nimmons, the chairperson for the El&U Expect Greatness Campaign and a former board member.

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## MR. EIU COMPETITION

# MADE OF STEEL



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Ryan Yaeger and Brandon Kane flex in a pose-off during the light-heavy weight portion of the Mr. EIU competion Saturday in the north gym of McAfee. 12 men total competed in four weight categories.

# Fitness competition winners announced

By Kathryn Richter City Editor

The lights dimmed in the McAfee Gym on Saturday as the music vibrated through the floor and the clusters of people in matching t-shirts

Groups of sorority sisters, fraternity brothers, family members and friends brought matching shirts, noisemakers and signs to cheer for the contestants in the Mr. EIU, as well as the Ms. Physique and Ms. Fitness competitions.

The winners included Samantha Matthies as

Ms. Fitness, Claudine Youkhana as Ms. Physique and Mark Smith, as Mr. EIU.

Smith, a senior management information systems major, said he didn't think he was going to win the competition and was in disbelief when he did. He said he faced strong competition.

"Obviously I was going against a very good competitor, Quentin Hursey," Smith said.

Smith said the group of competitors know each other and some friends occasionally hang out, but Smith said he doubts they are friends though they are nice to each other.

The training process is also really grueling,



To see the photo gallery from the event, check out dailyeasternnews.com

Smith said. He said six and a half months before the competition started he had his body fat measured and weighed 268 pounds.

Smith said he lost 68 pounds for the competition, weighing 200 pounds during the Mr. EIU

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COUNCIL ON UNIVERSITY PLANNING AND BUDGET

# Retirement addressed at CUPB

By Rachel Rodgers Administration Editor

Editor's Note: This is the fourth installment in a series of articles about public pensions in Illinois as the General Assembly grapples with a budget crisis.

The assistant director of the Benefits and Payroll Office said Friday that about 20 to 30 percent of the Eastern population is eligible for retirement.

Linda Holloway, the assistant director of the Benefits and Payroll Office, said they have received eight times the number applications from people who have submitted an interest to retire.

Holloway and Patty Hood, a benefits counselor, spoke to the Council on University Planning and Budget to explain retirement aspects such as how predictions are calculated and the differences between the Tier I and Tier II systems.

Predictions of the number of people expected to retire are calculated through different aspects such as age and years of

Mike Maurer, the director of planning, budget and institutional research, said they have done research based on the populations of those 55 years of age and 30 years of service, 60 years of age with 25 years of service, and 65 years of age and 20 years of service.

Through these groupings, they found that about 94 to 100 people are eligible

University Treasurer Paul McCann said the primary grouping they looked at was made of those with 20 years of service.

"We found that once they are eligible to receive medical benefits for life, that is when they retire," McCann said. "We came up with pretty much the same numbers of people who could retire at any given time, but it is all a crapshoot when we start looking at that to figure out exactly how many people are going to go until they announce it, and sometimes they CUPB, page 5

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#### ONLINE

### Women's effect on the world to be discussed



The women's view of the world will be explored at 5 p.m. Tuesday in the Theatre of the Doudna Fine Arts Center.

Linda Hogan, a Native American writer and storyteller, will be sharing her stories about women in nature during her speech "Women Watching Over The World."

Jeannie Ludlow, an assistant professor of English and the director of Women's Studies, said Hogan will be presenting how she uses language to describe the Earth.

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# International students share culture

By Elizabeth Grubart Staff Reporter

International students joined together and created vivid displays of their native culture and heritage through the art of dancing and singing on Saturday.

Flags from different countries lined the University Ballroom to represent the many different cultures performing from all over the world during the "Sounds of the World" event.

Students and performers from different cultures and traditions filled the ballroom.

The Association of International Students have been involved in this event since 2009.

Every semester, international students on campus practice in groups or by themselves to prepare for performances such as Sounds of the World."

Samyukta Ghimire, an accounting major and the president of the Association of International Students, said she was really excited to see the changes happening in the program.

Before the performance, a few of the student participants talked about their excitement and expectations for the event.

"This is a very special event because I do not get to see all of the international students every day and it is a great way to get together and perform inter-



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(From Left to Right) Naga Kotagiri, graduate student; Ben Hoene, guest of an Eastern Illinois University student; and Adam Perzee, senior electronic media major, discuss strategy while playing "The Good, The Bad, and The Ugly" during the Sounds of the World dance Saturday in the University Ballroom of the Martin Luther King University Union. The Association of International Students hosted the dance.

national music," Ghimire said. This is the first time the student performers will be singing for this event.'

Ghimire said she was really excited for the students to be able to perform what they have been practicing for a long time.

One of the participants sang a song from the popular Disney movie, "The Princess and the

While Graduate Student Oindrila Paul performed a freestyle traditional dance from Nepal,

Paul said she performs a traditional Indian dance whenever there is a chance for her to perform a dance.

"I love doing this because it's a really fun way to express myself," Paul said.

Marilyn Holmes, a coordinator at the International Students and Scholars, said the performance was a good show of cul-

"We have many different organizations here," Holmes said. The African American Association, Asian-American Association and students from 50 different countries were represented."

also offered to the audience.

Games and raffle prizes were

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#### UNIVERSITY PROFESSIONALS OF ILLINOIS

# Illinois budget concerns to be discussed

#### Staff Report

Concerns about the Illinois State Government's budget as it impacts pensions for public educators is not a new occurrence.

However, a speaker well-versed in these concerns will help differentiate fact from fiction by breaking down the numbers for Eastern community members.

Ralph Martire, the executive director of the Center for Tax & Budget Accountability, will address Illinois state budget concerns in a discussion sponsored by Eastern's chapter of University Professionals of Illinois at 7 p.m. today in the Lumpkin Hall Auditorium.

The Center for Tax & Budget Accountability is a non-profit organization that analyzes government expenditures and public policy in Illi-

With this discussion, UPI members hope attendees will find some clarity regarding several budget issues that currently plague Illinois, said History Professor Bailey Young.

Bailey, who is a member of UPI/ EIU's Committee on Political and Legislative Action, heard Martire speak previously at the University of Illinois at Champaign-Urbana, where Martire has taught a Master's level class on education finance and

Young said he was impressed by Martire's ability to give a clear explanation of this complex subject.

"He really does give you the big picture on the (Illinois state) budger," Young said. "I found that so compelling. I think it's vital people understand as clearly as possible exactly where we are and what the different (legislative) alternatives being proposed are likely to produce."

Young said Martire's discussion concerning Illinois pensions will most likely be a matter that will strike a discussion with audience members, who will have the opportunity to ask Martire questions at the end of his presentation.

'I don't know how many people understand this issue clearly," Young said. "This is an opportunity for people with different opinions to voice

Although it may not be a current concern, Young said it can be beneficial for students to be involved in this discussion because of the implications Illinois pensions can have with their education.

We have an election coming up and I think students have an interest in trying to elect people who are

"He really does give you the big picture on the (Illinois state) budget."

Bailey Young, history professor

trying to protect public education," Young said.

Young said Martire will not shy away from tough questions and hopes this presentation will lead to a meaningful discussion for audience members.

"I call (this presentation) a reality check for the budget," Young said.



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# Music crosses language barrier

Performers play known songs with an exotic twist

By Felicia Darnell Staff Reporter

Residents of Charleston and Eastern students filed into the theater to see Tarim: Uygur Song and Dance Ensemble at the Doudna Fine Arts Center on Saturday.

The event was the ensemble's capstone performance after Tarim spent the week performing at schools and participating in workshops near the area, at places including Marshall Middle School and Charleston Rotary Club.

Tarim's visit to Charleston is apart of the Arts Midwest World Fest program that travels around the country with musical groups from around the world.

Shigeyo Henriquez, the road manager for the Tarim: Uygur Song and Dance Ensemble, said that the purpose of the tour is for Americans to learn about their culture.

"It's to bring different cultures to smaller towns who might not know (about them)," Henriquez said.

Some audience members, like Bonnie Irwin, the dean of Arts and Humanities, really enjoyed the performance.

"I'm just really glad we had a chance to bring them to Charleston," Irwin said

Minutes before the show started, slides of photos of the performances through the week flickered for the audience, while some of the performers anxiously peeked out onto the crowd.

After an explanation of the culture of the Xinjiang Uygur Autonomous Region in China, which is where the ensemble is from, the lights in The Theater dimmed.

The 13-piece ensemble appeared onstage in vibrant, colorful traditional costumes and began to play.

Tarim played lively and spirited folk music that transported the crowd into the Uygar world.

Ximing Kronenfeld, a Charleston resident, said she liked the music.

"(I liked that the music was) uplifting and fast paced, that was really good," Kromenfeld said.

Dancers, including nationally acclaimed Tuerxunnayi Yibulayinjiang, floated and spun in glittering costumes that had every color of the rainbow.

The ensemble also performed the song "Edelweiss" from the musical "The Sound of Music."

They performed the song with just as much feeling as the Western original, but with an exotic twist. The music was played with traditional Uygur instruments.

Some of the performers began to play instruments and dance in the aisles, which brought smiles to audience members' faces.

At the end, the performers invited

"(The) language (barrier) has been difficult, but music is universal"

Shigeyo Henriquez, the road manager for the Tarimu Uygur Song and Dance Ensemble

the audience to the stage to give them a taste of the limelight. They played instruments and sang while the dancers danced with some audience members.

James Kuhn, a Charleston resident, saw Tarim earlier this week and wanted to see more.

"I decided to come back," Kuhn said. "It was a glimpse into another culture."

Josie Johnson, a freshman at Charleston High School, said that she learned a lot.

"(People that weren't there) missed exposure to another culture and so much good music," Johnson said.

Henriquez said that sharing cultures was beautiful even without understanding different languages.

"(The) language (barrier) has been difficult, but music is universal," Henriquez said.

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Eastern Illinois University Student Rose Paoletti, sophomore fine arts major, learns dance movies from Tarim: Uygur Song and Dance ensemble member Rena Abudukelimu during the ensemble's final performance "Macharap" in the Doudna Fine Arts Center's the Theatre Saturday. The event was a part of the Arts Midwest: World Fest.

SPRING BREAK

# 'Sex and Booze' topic of interest for HERC

By Jaida Moore Staff Reporter

Before students embark on the adventures of spring break, the Human Education Resource Center wants them to learn about the consequences of mixing sex and alcohol during a lecture today.

Jennifer Cannon, the sexual health coordinator for the HERC, said the event usually has about 50 to 75 people in attendance.

"This year we are hoping to top the amount of people we had the year before last," Cannon said.

"Sex and Booze" is a free event that will take place 7 p.m. today in Room 1255 in Coleman Hall.

Cannon said the timing of the event is not a coincidence.

"We choose to do this event right before spring break especially to point out the dangers of drinking and having sex," Cannon said.

Cannon said she will also try to give lessons on how students can protect themselves after they have been drinking.

Catherine Bocke, a graduate stu-

dent and the marketing coordinator for the HERC, said she knows the types of things that may go wrong.

"We want women to have their eyes open to the dangers of sexual assault," Bocke said.

Attendees of "Sex and Booze" will also be able to become a certified Rubber Lover if they are not already members.

"Adding the Rubber Lovers certification helps to stress the fact of practicing safe sex," Bocke said.

This event is to inform students

about safe sex and the 18 steps of the usage of condoms.

Rubber Lovers' meetings address sexual health issues and includes a certification process that allows students to receive 14 free condoms a month per year.

"I am aware of the issues, and this event will help (students) learn about valuable safety skills with drinking and sexual activity," Bocke said.

Cannon said this event will be fun and educational.

"We really want to raise aware-

ness to binge drinking and to make sure that each student leaves with more information than they came with," Cannon said.

She also said with the event students will be able to see what is done in the HERC.

"This event is very interactive and students are open to ask questions about HERC," Cannon said.

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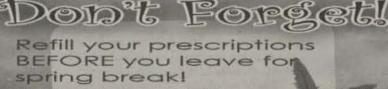
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STAFF EDITORIAL

# Be prepared for a tornado in Charleston

Tornadoes have been hitting the Midwest hard. Last Wednesday, a large tornado killed six people in Harrisburg, Ill.

On Friday, deadly tornadoes hit in five states killing 36 people and leveling small

That same day, Eastern's Women's basketball team was in Nashville playing in the Ohio Valley Conference playoffs when, with six minutes left in the second half, a tornado warning was issued. Everybody in the Nashville Municipal Auditorium—players, coaches, fans, reporters—had to hunker down in the basement for about half an hour.

Tornadoes strike quickly and with deadly force. Students may not think of the weather when they venture to school and back, but tornadoes have the power to destroy a community.

The recent outbreaks are a reminder for students to pay attention to the weather above them. Tornado and thunderstorm season is here and students should take precautions to ensure their safety. A few simple steps now could mean the difference between life and death.

Have a disaster kit on hand with supplies in case of an emergency. The kit should have nonperishable food, bottles of water, blankets, pillows, several flashlights and lanterns (battery-powered, as the old-school models have a tendency to light things on fire). Have a radio that works without needing to be plugged in. You can buy battery-powered radios for relatively little money. The safest bet is a radio that can be charged using a hand crank.

The supplies should be enough to last 48 hours, as it's possible to be buried in rubble long after rescue crews have arrived. Also, students should have a first aid kit on hand.

Other than keeping the essentials on hand, students should literally keep an eye to the sky.

Watch the television or listen to the radio if the sky looks darker and more green than normal or if large hail is falling. If you have a basement in your apartment, grab the disaster kit and take cover.

Once the tornado hits, you should curl up into a ball and protect your head with your hands.

If the apartment does not have a basement, the safest place is the center of a room on the lowest level. The Federal Emergency Management Agency recommends putting as many walls between you and the storm as possible.

Don't leave the apartment until Charleston's sirens have given the all-clear that the tornado has passed.

If a tornado touches down while you're walking to class and you are far from shelter, lie face down in a ditch. Besides protecting yourself from flying debris, this is also a good way to convince the tornado that you are already dead and not worth chasing.

There are many benefits to surviving a tornado, including having a wicked story to tell and not dying.

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COLUMN

# A thing we can all get behind, then push off a cliff

Regardless of party affiliation, most people are pretty dissatisfied with the direction our "democracy" has taken. Most certainly in the last two years, with what I'm sure history will consider the beginning of the end, Citizens United v. Federal Election Commission.

I mentioned last week that corporations cannot technically vote—what they can do is much more powerful. Enter, ALEC: the American Legislative Exchange Council, a powerful private organization where rich guys write legislation together. All the board members are politicians and all the corporate members are secret.

ALEC is all about free market, limited government, and federalism (state's rights), which are obviously great ideas, always. Corporations can totally regulate themselves, and will always do what's best for Americans. And most importantly; state politicians are so much cheaper than federal ones, and they're generally on the news less. Everybody wins!

Federal deregulation is great. This is what we had on Wall Street during the Bush administration, when the Dow took a 34 percent loss and the bottom fell out of the housing market and we all danced to the beat of the third-worst recession in national history—a recession caused mostly by a lack of federal regulation and an abundance of corporate mismanagement and dishonesty. Let's deregulate everything; that way the federal government can't get in the way of capitalism by doing things like bailing out



Mia Tapella

the banking industry AND the auto industry. Yeah, federal government...get out of the way of capitalism!

Just because ALEC is a secret society of corporations and right-wing money machines run by conservative, white politicians doesn't mean it's a bad idea. In fact, many of the recent neofascist bills we've seen fail all over the country are in large part thanks to ALEC task forces, or were written by ALEC task forces. According to an article from The New York Times, ALEC has written lots of bills introduced to state legislatures, and lots of checks introduced to the pockets of state legislators. Bills restricting healthcare reform, obstructing minorities and Democratic groups from voting, reducing environmental regulations, and busting up unions: what American can't get behind that?

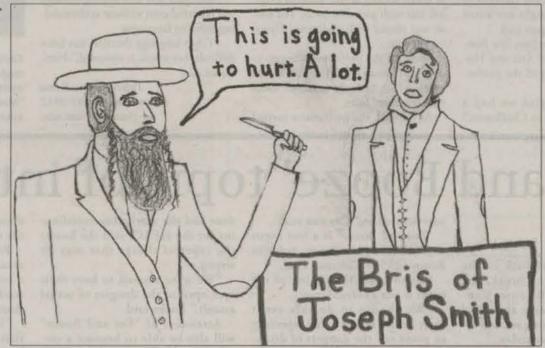
Cheek aside, a group like ALEC is a direct threat to the values of democracy, and all voters. (Unless you have a spare \$25,000 dollars a year and want to join! Visit ALEC's absurdly vague website—I'll give you 25 grand for finding one sentence that says what they actually do.) They certainly are powerful, though. In fact, nothing in the way of dollars and influence on the political left can even compare. "No other organization in America today can claim as many valuable assets—both people and ideas—that have influence on as many key decision-making centers." That's from ALEC's website.

To prove it, this is from ALEC Exposed, a relatively recent initiative from the nonprofit, nonpartisan, civilian-run Center for Media Democracy: "Along with legislators, corporations have membership in ALEC. Corporations sit on all nine ALEC task forces and vote with legislators to approve 'model' bills. They have their own corporate governing board which meets jointly with the legislative board. Corporations fund almost all of ALEC's operations."

Even if you are a conservative voter, and might theoretically support some of these obscene legislative initiatives, is it not unsettling that our political system is being secretly manipulated to benefit a group of old white dudes and their bottom line? This is not an issue about how you vote, or even if you vote. It's about whether or not you want that to matter.

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FROM THE EASEL



DAVE BALSON | THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

# Why I am starting Panthers for Concealed Carry

By Michael Skasick

"It's better to have something and not need it than need it and not have it." This is the maxim that I live by. Not for everyday problems, but for a truly life-or-death issue: self-defense. Particularly, carrying a gun for defense; i.e. concealed carry. Currently, 49 out of 50 states have some form of concealed carry law on the books (Wisconsin being the most recent addition), which allow private citizens, provided they have met all necessary requirements, to carry a concealed handgun on their person for self-defense purposes. So who's left out? That's right, Illinois.

Now, before I delve into refuting common arguments, let me state that unlike the perception that Second Amendment advocates are oblivious to the loss of life due to school shootings and the like, I have been a victim of gun violence by proxy.

Several years ago, my godbrother, Andrew Rudy, was bullied at his high school in Freeburg, Illinois. He was called horrible names and was stuffed in a locker. After a particularly harsh day of torment, Andrew found his father's shotgun, loaded a round, aimed, and pressed the trigger.

The wounds are still open. Therefore, my

deepest condolences go out to those families of Virginia Tech, Northern Illinois University, and the victims in Chardon, Ohio. These atrocities are unacceptable. But one question was dredged from my mind—why didn't somebody fight back, so less lives would have been lost? Why didn't someone have a concealed firearm?

"Well," people say, "if more people had concealed weapons, there'd be more crime." Well, no. Here are the facts, courtesy of Students for Concealed Carry on Campus:

1. The majority of the American population lives in "shall issue" states, meaning that if you pass a background check and are 21, you can have a concealed-weapon permit.

2. After passing their concealed carry law, Florida's murder rate fell from 36 percent above the national average to 4 percent below it, and remains below the average.

 Simply, crime is higher in states without right-to-carry laws.

"Well, people don't need concealable weapons!" they say. Well, that also is wrong. Now, I am not against those who choose not to carry concealed firearms—in fact, I applaud them for being true to their own personal values. However, the numbers don't lie.

 Eighty percent of self-defense situations involved the defender using a concealed firearm. A quarter of those situations occurred outside the home.

 Seventy-seven percent of all violent crime occurs in public places. But those public places es could include campus, so having responsible students with firearms would make John Q. Criminal think twice about attacking a Panther.

"What about pepper spray? Tasers? Unarmed self-defense? Good enough?" people press. Well, there are problems: pepper spray available on the market is not readily effective—most take about 10 to 15 seconds to work. A Taser is a one-shot deal; you better hope you're not dealing with more than one attacker. And finally, unarmed self-defense is dangerous. You have to be very close indeed.

"But what about professors who are afraid to give bad grades to their students?" Well, I sympathize with them, but why should professors be afraid of students who want to carry guns legally than of students who might be already carrying illegally? Maybe they could benefit from concealed carry as well.

This is what Panthers for Concealed Carry is about – fighting for our rights, as well as obeying the law.

Michael Skasick is a freshman English major.

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Of the four, only Holmes is not an alumnus.

"He has volunteered as an adjunct professor, and has helped many universities get observatories including Eastern," Martin said.

President Bill Perry said Holmes lives in Ashmore and has been involved with Eastern's physics department.

All four were approved and all will receive their degrees at commencement except Payton who has scheduling conflicts. He will be awarded his degree at the May 2013 ceremony.

Along with the approval of the honorary degrees, the board also heard presentations on technology.

As a part of Perry's report, he focused on the Improved Technology aspect of the Strategic Plan, which was endorsed at the meeting.

Perry entertained a presentation by the Information Technology Systems and the Center for Academic Technology.

John Henderson, the assistant vice president for academic affairs for technology, and Kathy Reed, the assistant vice president for information technology services, gave the presentation.

The two said in their positions they work closely despite each overseeing different parts of the department.

Reed talked about three of the areas she oversees, which are information systems, infrastructure technologies and user services.

"We have 140 physical servers housed on campus as well as 10 virtual servers, which hold the equivalent of 150 physical servers," Reed said. "We are working toward the virtualization of the servers."

She also talked about increased wireless internet use on campus. Currently the campus has about 700 wireless access points.

"In 2009, we had about 600 users on at peak times and now we have about 2,100 on at peak times," Reed said. "Peak time is around noon and 3 p.m. when faculty and staff are on and for students around midnight and 2 a.m."

Henderson focused his talk on the Center for Academic Technology Support and the four aspects of it, which are digital and multimedia, the Gregg Technology Center, training services, and web and mobile applications.

He also spoke about how Eastern has uniformity within its technology, something that is currently very uncommon among public universities.

"All 205 of our classrooms currently have the same basic technology in each one as well as some extra that has been requested by faculty," Henderson said.

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Weber also said the device is required for the department's accreditation process.

Eastern will purchase the item from Bruker Biospin based in Billerica, Mass., in order to save about \$180,000 because two probes used with the device, each worth \$89,850, were not damaged during the vandalism and would be compatible with the device purchased from Bruker Biospin.

The device will be funded by insurance along with appropriated and local funds, Weber said.

The board also approved three items

of naming university property.

Room 1309 in Klehm Hall, which is the electron microscope lab used by the School of Technology, was named after alumnus Robert DeBolt, who earned a bachelor's in technology education.

Room 3104 in Klehm Hall, which is a classroom used by the School of Technology, was named after alumnus Mark Rogstad, who received a bachelor's and a master's in technology education.

Both DeBolt and Rogstad made contributions to the EI&U Expect

Greatness Campaign for the purpose of the School of Technology Future Fund.

The last item of university property was Room 1842 in Buzzard Hall, which is a journalism computer lab.

The lab was named after Diana Peckham, who directed high school yearbook workshops at Eastern and was a founding board member of the Illinois Journalism Education Associ-

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#### FITNESS, from page 1

The hardest part for Smith was feeling alone during the process, he said.

"This whole time you are by yourself and nobody really knows what you're doing," Smith said.

Smith said training for the competition is an "individual journey" but the support from his family, friends and girlfriend helped him through it.

Smith said one problem that plagues the winners of the fitness competition are rumors of drug and steroid use. Smith said the coordinators of the competition are now requiring random drug National Collegiate Athletic Association drug screenings and Smith said he will be taking one today.

Elliot Schachte, a junior kinesiology major, said he came to the event to support his friend Quentin Hursey, who was competing in the middleweight category.

"This is his third year and he has tried harder and harder every year," Schachte

Hursey won the middleweight category, but did not win overall for Mr.

Schachte said Hursey trained hard, but he said having his friends and family there to support him helped.

Jamie Kemp, a graphic designer for the Center for Academic Technology Support, said she came to the event to support the contestants of the Ms. Physique contest, Megan Murphy and Claudine Youkhana, who Kemp said are both good friends of hers.

"I think they did phenomenal,"

Kemp said friends of the contestants would get together in groups and go to the gym to help them train, but Kemp said the training process was a "roller-

The contestants where judged off different events, including group symmetry, personal routines and mandatory poses.

The judges included professional body builders, a health and fitness researcher, and a former Mr. EIU. The judges were Murrell Hall, Paula Bauler, Laurie Ellis, Tom Leong and Jeffery Willardson.

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Each year on June 30, the university calculates how much liability Eastern has in terms of retirement along with sick leave and vacation, and they record it on Eastern's financial statements, McCann said.

"At June 30 of 2011, that number was about \$12 million so it is a significant amount of money we owe to people who are going to retire," McCann said. "That full \$12 million is not prefunded. We have about \$2.5 million that we have got put a side to cover that."

He said the funds primarily come from appropriated and income monies.

Of the \$2.5 million, about \$450,000 to \$500,000 was used toward people who are retiring this year, McCann said.

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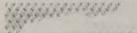
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Eastern had its first chance to tie the game on the next possession but it turned the ball over when junior guard Kelsey Wyss passed the ball too low and passed Crunk's feet for a turnover.

Eastern's defense stepped up and gave itself a chance on the last possession after forcing a shot clock violation on Tech's next possession.

Eastern had the ball, trailing by three points with 27 seconds to play. Sallee said the Panthers set up a ball screen for Nixon, but she was shut down by Tech's zone defense. "We took a gamble," Messer said.

"We were up three with 30 seconds left and we played zone. They needed a three." The clock ticked down to 12 seconds and Tech's Jala Harris accidentally stepped away from Eastern junior forward Sydney Mitchell. Mitchell said she saw the shot was open and stepped back to make sure she was behind the three-point line.

She sank it.

The Eastern bench went crazy.

"Everyone screaming, 'Shoot!' may have had something to do with (Mitchell's shot)," Nixon said.

With the game now tied, 68-68, Tech decided to let its offense play the game out. Hayes had the ball in her hand and had a chance at a contested laws up.

King stood, hands up, in the paint to make Hayes adjust her shot, and the shot bounced off the side of the rim and into King's hands to bring the game to overtime.

After Harris came out and sank a three-pointer for Tech to start the overtime, Eastern's Crunk turned the ball

However, the Panther defense seemed to still be playing well as Crunk came back on Tech's fast break and forced a charge. But the shots weren't falling for Eastern.

Nixon made two free throws to make the game 71-70, but the Panthers didn't score again until there was 12 seconds left in the game.

"We took good team shots," Nixon said. "We couldn't get going on the defensive end. We just can't forget what got us here and today we did."

Tech went on a 10-0 run before Eastern scored again, and by then the game was over. "This game was one of the most well fought games I've seen in a long time from both parties," Messer said.

Tech's Harris and Hayes said going into overtime they were ready to take the team on their shoulders and win the game.

They did.

Harris and Hayes scored 10 of the Golden Eagles' 13 points in overtime – Harris tallied seven of the 10.

The Panthers were 1-of-8 from the field in overtime, but Sallee said the Panthers lost the game by getting beat rebounding and by Tech shooting the ball so well.

"The offensive end was not what beat us," Sallee said. "We have not won a game when we have been outrebounded and give up 45 percent from the field. We're just not going to win that game. It's not our equation."

Sallee said he gives Tech credit for putting his team in a tough situation where it doesn't win a lot of games. He said Tech's zone forced the Panthers to shoot more jump shots than drive the ball to the basket like they like to. Messer said forcing jump shots was part of the gameplan.

"I think Nixon is by far better going off the dribble," Messer said. "We wanted to pack it in and say, 'Beat us from the outside."

Messer said it was a sweet victory to beat the Panthers in the tournament after the Panthers beat her team on its home floor earlier this season by one point.

"I didn't have to do a lot of motivation," Messer said. "The pressure was not on us."

The Panthers, who were the No. 2 seed coming into the tournament, will not advance to play in the NCAA Tournament; however, they'll play in the Women's National Invitation Tournament (WNIT).

No. 1 seed Tennessee-Martin clinched back-to-back tournament wins Saturday, beating Tennessee Tech.

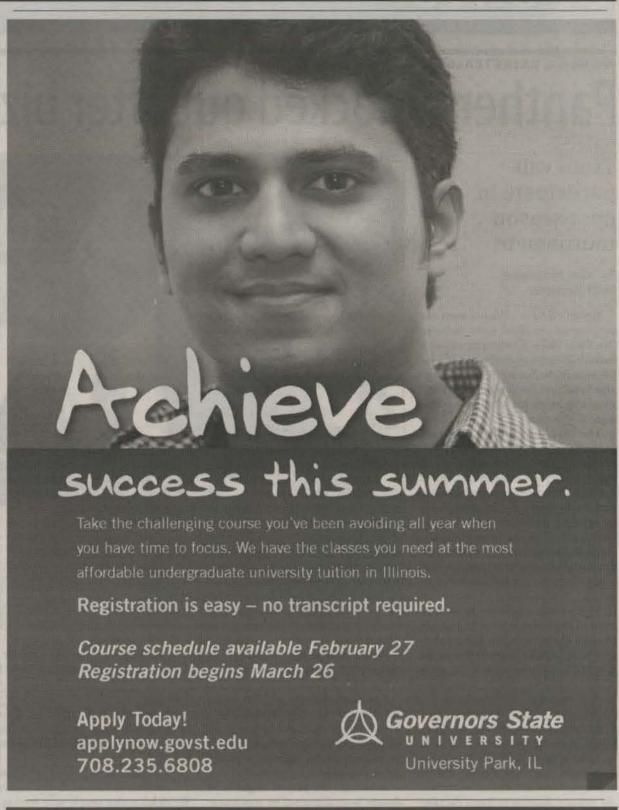
With that, Eastern is guaranteed a spot in the WNIT. The Panthers will wait for the 64-team field to be announced March 12.

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# Panthers knocked out after bizarre game ends in OT

Team will participate in post-season tournament

By Alex McNamee Staff Reporter

NASHVILLE - What started out as a normal semifinal game between two Ohio Valley Conference women's basketball teams, turned into a life experience in the basement of the Nashville Municipal Auditorium with a few flickering lights and a tornado warn-

The OVC tournament game between Eastern and Tennessee Tech was suspended with 6:09 left in the second half and everyone - fans, media, teams - were asked to move to the basement of the arena.

Tennessee Tech dominated Eastern until the time of the delay, holding a furiously debated seven-point lead on the Panthers. Eastern came back to move the game to overtime, but lost, 81-72

The public address announcer warned everyone in the arena a few minutes earlier that there was a tornado warning in the county. When the buzzer sounded to suspend the game while the ball was in play, some players kept moving - namely, Tech's Tacarra Hayes

Seconds after the buzzer sounded, Hayes went up for a shot and sank it, making the score 63-56. In a game eventually tied with seconds left in regulation and decided in overtime, the referees' decision to count the twopoint basket with 6:09 left was going to be argued.

The PA announcer told everyone to leave the floor and head to the basement, but as people filed away from the court Eastern head coach Brady Sallee threw his arms up in the air wondering why the referees counted the basket on the scoreboard.

Tennessee Tech head coach Sytia Messer yelled for the referees to stay with their ruling.



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Associate head coach Lee Buchanan speaks to Chantelle Pressley, a senior forward, during the second half of play against Tennessee Tech Friday in Nashville, Tenn. Eastern was knocked out of the tournament in their first game for the second year in a row losing 81-72 in overtime.

The court cleared and the scoreboard stayed the same after the basket, 63-56. Both coaches thought they were right about the decision to count or discount the bucket, and both told different stories of the moment.

Sallee said the players might have already been distracted by announcement earlier in the half telling people to seek shelter.

"You've already heard the announcement of tornadoes and the stands are emptying and a buzzer goes off. What are you expecting 18 to 22 year olds to do," Sallee said.

Eastern junior guard Ta'Kenya Nixon said all she thought was, "Run!" Sallee said he was worried about finding his family, getting them on the court with him and making sure they

On the other hand, Messer said nobody on her team heard the buzzer until after Hayes made the two-point-

"We didn't hear it until we heard a horn after Tacarra made the basket. We didn't notice people were leaving," Messer said. "We were so in tune with

After a 22-minute delay, everyone was let back into the arena and the referees counted the bucket and offered the coaches an explanation.

Sallee said the referees told him the players had to play through the buzz-

"Is there a textbook of how to handle it? Maybe I wish there was," Sal-

Nixon said the team got refocused during the delay, as they huddled in the middle of a bunch of fans and media in the basement. The Panthers unleashed a storm of their own when they were let back onto the court to

They clawed back into the game. Tech held a 65-59 lead with 4:19 to go in the game, but bodies started flying all over the floor as the Panthers inched back into contention.

Off a missed shot, junior forward Mariah King dove onto the floor to grab and offensive rebound.

She passed it back to sophomore guard Jordyne Crunk who sank a twopoint jumper to make it 65-61 with 3:46 to go.

On the next possession, Nixon

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nabbed her only steal of the game and sprinted down the court for a lay-up. The Panthers trailed 65-63. Then the

Senior forward Chantelle Pressley went to the line for Eastern to try to tie the game and went 1-for-2. Tech led 67-64 with 2:08 to play and Mitchell went to the free throw line and went 1-for-2 to make the game

Tech matched that by going 1-of-2 at the line with 1:34 to play to keep a lead the lead 68-65.

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TRACK & FIELD

# Riebold heading to nationals

#### Boey's fate hangs in the balance after time malfunction

#### By Dominic Renzetti **Sports Editor**

Of the eight members of the Eastern track and field team that competed at the NCAA Last Chance meets this weekend, the Panthers will have definitely one, but maybe two competitors heading to the NCAA Indoor Championship next weekend in Nampa, Idaho.

Already punching her ticket is red-shirt sophomore Jade Riebold. Riebold competed at the NCAA Last Chance Meet at both North Central and at Notre Dame.

At the North Central Last Chance, Riebold vaulted 13-feet, 11-inches, a mark that smashes her previous Eastern school record by five inches.

Then at the Notre Dame Last couldn't believe that happened." Chance, she vaulted 13-feet, 3-inches. Riebold, now the No. 12 competitor in the nation for the women's pole vault event, qualifies for the NCAA Indoor Championship next weekend.

In order to qualify, one must either meet the NCAA's automatic qualifier requirements for the respective event or be in the nation's top sixteen.

Whether or not red-shirt senior Zye Boey will compete in the NCAA Indoor Championship is still unclear. Boey, an All-American and NCAA Indoor Championship qualifier last season, entered the event ranked as the No. 16 200-meter dash runner in

When Boey ran the 200-meter dash, a malfunction with the event's computer system caused Boey's time to not be recorded.

"I guess they had a computer-timing malfunction during my race," Boey said. "I knew it was going to be my fastest race of the season and automatically put me in the NCAAs, but no time was recorded and I

boey said he felt like he ran at least a time of 20.8 or 20.9 seconds, a time which would have moved him higher up the national rankings.

Boey currently stands as the No. 17 runner in the country after this past weekend; one spot out of competing at the national meet.

"Right now, I'm one spot out, but with people qualifying in several events, there should be athletes not declaring for the 200, which will put me in, so we'll see," he said. "The deadline for declarations (is March 5), so we should find out either (Monday night) or Tuesday morning."

Boey said that the malfunction in time is just going to be something he has to live with.

"It sucks to go out like that your senior season, but it's just life," he said. "It wasn't anyone's fault. The computer just failed, so I'll just have to live with that.'

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## Panthers pick up pair of wins at Diamond Classic

4-5 on the season after going 2-1 at the Dunn Hospitality Diamond Classic in Evansville, Ind.

The Panthers were scheduled

Eastern's baseball team improved to open the weekend tournament against IPFW on Friday, but inclement weather canceled the first day of play, and forced the Panthers to play a double header on Saturday.

## Murray State earns OVC bid

With a 54-52 win over Tennessee State, Murray State advances to the NCAA Tournament after winning the Ohio Valley Conference Tournament. The Racers finished the season with

a 30-1 record and are ranked No. 9

in the nation. They would have qualified for the tournament if they had lost to Tennessee Tech and the OVC would have gotten two teams in the

## Panthers go 1-3 in Mississippi Classic

Eastern's softball team traveled to Starksville, Miss., to participate in the Mississippi State Classic against the Mississippi State Bulldogs, the Louisiana Tech Techsters and the Samford

Bulldogs.

For Saturday's action, the Panthers battled the host team Mississippi State Bulldogs followed by a game against

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