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Getting in with Inyart

Charleston Mayor on his childhood, family, time as a firefighter and re-election

> By Rob Siebert Senior City Reporter

His friends tried to talk him out of it.

Not because he wouldn't do a good job, but because they didn't want to do it themselves.

His friends saw the job as such a pain in the butt that they couldn't understand why he'd want to do it.

But he did it anyway.

And John Inyart found that being the mayor of Charleston isn't really the "pain in the rear" it could have been.

A faint smile crosses his face as he recalls the reactions of certain people when they learned of his mayoral ambitions.

"It's funny, because when you tell people that you're going to do something like this, some of them look at you like you're nuts," Inyart said.

His path to the mayor's office began when he was a young adult in the Jaycees. From there, Inyart's interest in local politics began to snowball.

"I came to some council meetings, and just started to learn and pay attention to what was going on," he said. "I just found it interesting. And if you find something interesting long enough, it becomes almost addictive."

In the years following, Inyart would work his way through the offices of the Chamber of Commerce.

Dan Cougill would eventually appoint him the chairman of the city's Police and Fire Board.

"I guess I just felt like we probably were due for a change," Inyart said. "I don't want to take anything away from what Mayor Cougill did, because I think he did a lot of good things. But any organization, after eight, 10, or 12 years, needs a different perspective."

With a business background, Inyart thought he could bring a different perspective to City Hall.

Family Ties

The Inyart family's roots in Charleston dates back to 1921, with Ernie Inyart, John's grandfather. In April of 1945, Ernie Inyart ignited his family's political legacy when he was elected as the Charleston City



JAY GRABIEC | THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

Mayor John Inyart stands outside of the Midas that he operates on Fifth and Lincoln in between running errands on a Saturday afternoon. Inyart has been mayor of Charleston since 2005.

Commissioner. Ernie would be sworn in as commissioner on the exact day that his grandson would be sworn in as mayor 60 years later.

Inyart didn't truly know his grandfather until he retired from his business, Inyart's Shoe Store.

The store was passed on to Bob Inyart, John's father. Bob also served Charleston as the Township

"I'm just fascinated by the history of our city, and how it's grown over the years and how different parts of it have thrived, and different parts of it have changed," Inyart said. "To know that my family was a part of that is a sense of pride."

Life in Charleston

Growing up in the '60s and '70s, John Inyart was the sixth of eight children.

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UB has big plans for February

Chinese acrobats and a magician highlight planned events

By Stephen Di Benedetto Senior Activities Reporter

University Board suffered a setback in January with the unexpected resignations of three members.

Ceci Brinker, University Board adviser, said that January is a difficult month to schedule events because it is hard to get back on track after winter break. She also said that a few minor cultural arts events were still not finalized before break and with the resignation of the Cultural Arts Coordinator Andy Ho, they are still being worked on.

However, Brinker said the month of February should prove different.

"Things pick up quite a bit in Feburary," she said.

UB's major event for February will be the return of the Chinese

Golden Dragon acrobats.

"It's very good cultural entertainment; it's a very good family-orientated show, and there is something for everyone," Brinker said. "If people have not seen this, they don't want to miss out on the opportunity to see performers of this caliber."

The Chinese acrobats have performed at Eastern before and will perform at 8 p.m. on Feb. 7 in the McAfee gym. Also, the UB will bring a magician and comedian to Eastern on Friday. Magician Walter King Jr. will perform at the African-American Heritage Celebration banquet in the Grand Ballroom of the Marin Luther King Jr. University Union, and comedian Jay Black will be at 7th Street Underground.

The second installment of "Up All Nite" will be taking place on Feb 9

Brinker said they have not decided which residence halls will host the event. It will be in two residence halls, either Thomas, Taylor, Andrews or Lawson hall.

"There is kind of a different twist with this one because we are taking the activity to where the students live," Brinker said.

UB will have a Las Vegas theme for the upcoming event, where students will be able to play casino games, poker, blackjack and much more.

Bruno Marcotulli and Brian Sparks will talk to Eastern students Feb. 28 about their experiences on the TV show "Black and White."

45 apply to be the new Lou

Committee to narrow candidate pool to 15

By Ashley Rueff Senior University Reporter

The next step in the search for a new president will be done mostly behind closed doors today during the executive session of the Presidential Search Advisory Committee meeting.

The members will be narrowing the applicant pool down to 15 during the meeting.

The committee will meet in executive session to discuss the candidates since the names of applicants cannot be released at this point in the search.

"We have some confidentiality requirements," said Robert Webb, committee chair and member of the Board of Trustees.

The committee had received 45 applications by the Jan. 27 deadline. The committee members have been reviewing those applications and will try to agree on the top 15 candidates today.

Webb is happy with the number of applications the university received.

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What committee members are saying...



BOT member

university."

"One of the characteristics we are looking for is a respected academic leader who will first learn what EIU is at its core, but who also can bring fresh ideas and perspectives to the university."



Sara Amyx Staff Senate Rep

"One of the main characteristics that I am looking for in the next university president are his or her people skills and the ability to interact with the university community. A successful president will take advantage of the shared governance already in place and build on the many talents of the university community to foster a student-centered environment focused on academic excellence."

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"For our next university president, we are committed to the hiring of a leader who values and promotes an optimal academic environment, believes in shared governance and has the ability to work effectively within a collective bargaining environment."

Kathleen O'Rourke Faculty Senate Rep

CAMPUS | COMPUTER LABS



LAN support specialist Michael McBride consults with Lumpkin Hall Lab Manager Ted Genders as he installs Oracle on computers in the Gregg Computer Lab Tuesday afternoon.

Gregg offers more than the Internet

Students with disabilities have access to special software

By Julie Morss

Senior Campus Reporter

For 24 years, Don Braswell has worked at Eastern.

Since 1994, his wake-up calls have come early.

Braswell goes into the Gregg Triad Computer Lab at 5 a.m. seven days a week, two hours before the lab opens for business. Gregg Computer Lab is one of the two "open labs" on campus funded by the Academic Technology Advisory Committee.

It has four different areas in which students can hang out. There is a multimedia center for students to use scanners, web cams, digital film recorders and VHS recorders and players. Wireless Internet is available to students in the lounge

"We have all the computers in one large area," Braswell said.

Gregg lab has a classroom located within the facility for faculty and

The area has 23 computers, a

EAST PEORIA--- President

Bush climbed aboard a giant bulldozer and took it for a short

test drive Tuesday during a tour of

Caterpillar Inc.'s East Peoria plant

before delivering a speech on the

During his speech Tuesday to

about 500 invited guests including

Caterpillar officials, local dignitaries

and workers Bush pushed his agenda

of making tax cuts permanent and

expanding free trade agreements

that he said will allow businesses

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data projector and Starboard and Wi-Fi technology.

Starboard technology equipment that allows the instructor to get feedback from students. Students answer questions in the classroom by pushing buttons for

"The staff on hand to handle questions is a group of students called S.T.A.R.S," Braswell said.

S.T.A.R.S. Technologist Student for Academic Resource Services. The student workers apply by responding to advertisements the Triad places throughout campus.

The staff goes through an hour test of knowing how to work the help desk by answering the phones, trouble shooting skills and standard software.

"I learn different things every day that I can pass onto other students," said Claire Martinkus, a junior elementary education major.

The student workers at the Triad work in several residence halls, such as Taylor and Stevenson, to help students with virus protection and removal.

Gregg lab has a meeting with all the lab managers here on campus once a month to discuss problems and issues here on campus, said Andrew Wakefield, senior history

The virus labs are busiest at the beginning of the semester when students come back to school and update their computers.

"It depends on the network updates on how busy we are," said Nikkole Buchholzer, senior mathematics major.

The Gregg Computer Lab also has a couple of computers that comply with requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act.

The workstations use disability software such as Win Braille and Microsoft Disability to help students with sight and hearing impairments. Students using these computers have access to a Braille **Bush visits East Peoria**

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But although Bush uses the company's trademark yellow earthto compete globally and boost U.S. movers on his Texas ranch, choosing the plant for his speech was steered "I strongly believe that if we by more than a boyish fascination can compete with people on a level with the hulking machines. playing field, nobody can compete

On the eve of his State of the with us," Bush said. Economy address Wednesday in Caterpillar Chairman and CEO Jim Owens told Bush he deserved, New York, Bush touted Peoria-based Caterpillar as an example of how his "much credit for the American and administration's trade agreements global economies enjoying the best and tax breaks can boost global sales three years of growth since World and create jobs for U.S. workers.

Some analysts give Bush policies some credit for helping the company.

Others say smart moves by Caterpillar management are really behind a global sales surge that helped the heavy equipment maker

post record profits and revenues for three straight years, creating about 5,000 jobs at its U.S. plants in Illinois, Colorado, Pennsylvania and Tennessee.

Morningstar analyst John Kearney says the company simply took advantage of heightened worldwide demand for both construction and mining machines, using a strong dealer network and respected brand name that make Caterpillar "the 800-pound gorilla" among heavy equipment makers.

"I'm no politician, but it seems a pretty good political move to pick a successful company like Cat and give your spiel through them,"

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Getting TEC'd

Classrooms using advanced tools

By Tearria Ruffin

CAMPUS REPORTER

Blackboards in classrooms have been replaced by today's technological advancements.

More than 75 percent of Eastern's classrooms have converted to Technology Enhanced Classrooms (TEC), which help professors prepare for class and allow students to interact with the professor during class.

"Learning in a classroom is a shared responsibility," said Michael Hoadley, assistant vice president for Academic Affairs for Technology. "The instructor needs to use effective instructional strategies and students need to be actively engaged in the process."

In the late 1990s, the Academic Advisory Committee developed the idea of creating TECs in order to respond to the needs of faculty who were requesting instructional technology in the classrooms.

TECs are upgraded to setups that include data projectors, instructor workstations Internet access, and VCR/DVD players, among other things.

The average cost for installing TECs is \$16,000. Resources from various departments including Media Services and Information Technology Services and the Student Technology Fee support the cost for installation.

Assistant English Professor Terri Fredrick said she sees new technology in the classrooms as tools only and it is not something that dictates the way she teaches.

"Technology gives me new ways to do what I want to do," Fredrick said. "It doesn't guide my teachings."

By the end of 2008, every instructional space will be converted to TEC according to Mark Borzi, chair of the communication studies department.

Carman, Taylor, Thomas and the Doudna Fine Arts Center are receiving TEC. Mark Hudson, director of Housing, said that since all foundation classes are taught in residence hall classrooms, the early exposure to technology will get freshmen used to TEC.

"Smart classrooms provide additional resources both for the faculty member as well as the students," Hudson said.

Installations are completed in the maximum of three days through Facilities Planning and Management. Installations are scheduled in advance to minimize interruption to classes.

Borzi said he is not sure where the technology will be in the next five to 10 years, but he is certain Eastern provides the flexibility and adaptability to make technical adjustments in the classrooms.

We may not know where we will be in five or 10 years, but we can be sure that Eastern will be moving in that direction," he said.

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CAREERS | WORKSHOPS



Tuesday night in the Gilomen Collaborative Learning Room of Lumpkin Hall, Pam Schnake, owner of ELS Unlimited, speaks at the "You're Hired!" networking workshop presented by the School of Business. ELS Unlimited is a company which primarily works in educating college-level, youth and business groups on seeking to learn teamwork, communication and creative problem solving.

Students get job circuit help

Guiding students to get the job they want

By Stacy Smith

CAMPUS REPORTER

When it comes to getting a good job, all a student has to do is be a good salesman.

They don't have to sell a product.

They have to sell a person.

Themselves.

"It's like a 30-second info commercial. You've got to sell yourself," said Linda Moore, director of Career Services. "Shake hands, look into their eye and seize the moment."

Career Services is having a Career Network Day on Feb. 14. The career fair will be held from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the Union ballrooms. More than 125 employers will be looking for potential employees.

Dressing appropriately, bringing a resume and showing up with a confident and positive attitude are crucial during job fairs, Moore said.

During interviews, employers look for specific characteristics in their applicants, such as responsibility, a good work ethic, determination and enthusiasm.

When searching for a career, students should research the position desired to ask educated questions and determine if that position is something of interest. This will also help students feel more comfortable with possible employers.

Even if students are not interested in the careers at the fair, it is still recommended to attend.

"It's a good way to practice before getting an interview with that important job you want," said Brittany Brown, a senior

UPCOMING CAREER WORKSHOPS

» Resume Blitz: Feb. 6 and 12 from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. at 1301 Human Services Center » How to Work a Career Fair: Feb. 7, 12 and 13 from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. at Arcola/

Tuscola Room in the MLK Union ""Ask an Expert" Mock Interviews: Feb. 8 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at 1301 Career

» Resume Writing Workshop for Education Majors: Feb. 12 from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. at 1011 Lumpkin Hall

"Career Network Day: Feb. 14 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Grand Ballroom and University Ballroom in the MLK Union

communications major.

Katie Peak, a senior marketing major, started building her resume during her sophomore year of

Unsure what employers were looking for, Peak got help by taking different professors' advice on what to put on a resume.

"It is not something you want to throw together last minute," Peak said. "You have to put some time

Resumes are expected to be accurate, free of errors and grammatically correct.

"It's a marketing tool or advertisement, not a historical record of your life," Peak said. "Who should know you better than your own self?"

The presentation of the resume is almost as important as the contents of the resume, Moore said.

A resume should be on resume paper instead of printer paper because it is traditional and shows

"It's not any different than wearing your holey jeans to an interview or nice black pants," Moore said. "Employers care about appeal and detail.'

Students can get a better idea of what the employer is looking for by

asking around.

Helpful sources include professors, professionals, career services and employees in the desired field.

Chris Cohoon, a youth pastor, got help building his resume by getting advice from professors and professionals in the organization.

"The biggest part of it is making sure you have the right information,' he said. "Don't be afraid to ask for

Some students start a resume as an underclassman and build from there, while others wait until they have gained more experience throughout their college careers.

Brown waited until her junior year of college to produce her

"I wanted to wait until I had more experience," she said. "If I would have made one my freshman or sophomore year, I wouldn't have had as much on it."

Career Services helped Brown put it together.

"They basically put things on there to help get an interview so you can get the job," she said.

A list of employers coming to the career network fair can be found at www.eiu.edu/~careers/students/



Senate to hear rec proposals

Disc golf course, additional elliptical machines already approved by AB

> By Matt Hopf STUDENT GOVERNMENT REPORTER

Approval for a disc golf course on campus is getting closer to realization.

Student Senate will meet tonight and three allocation proposals totaling \$49,735 will be introduced.

The proposals were unanimously approved last week at the Apportionment Board meeting.

The disc golf course proposal would allocate \$15,769 for purchase and installation of the

About one-third of the cost for the nine-hole disc golf course is for university employees to install it, said Ken Baker, director of Campus Recreation.

Another allocation for \$23,036 is for the purchase of 10 "Curveslike" circuit trainers.

The other allocation proposal is for \$10,940 for two elliptical trainers with monitors.

Baker said he was not aware if a presentation to Student Senate was needed.

He has made three presentations at AB meetings since December.

Student Senate Speaker Jeff Lange said that he would like to see a presentation this week or next on the new additions to the Student Recreation Center.

Levi Bulgar, student vice president for business affairs, said that he will ask Baker to attend the Feb. 8 Student Senate meeting to answer questions from Student Senate members before a vote is

Bylaws state that proposals cannot be voted upon until their second reading.

If a presentation is needed, Baker said he would be glad to do

Other business at the meeting includes a vote on a proposed bylaw change.

The change would require the Student Senate External Relations to research and prepare information for the voting members of the Illinois Board of Higher Education-Student Advisory Committee.

Also, an allocation proposal for \$200 will be introduced.

The money would be used to purchase refreshments for the Student-Teacher Interaction Program's first event at an Eastern basketball game, Lange said.



ourview Alums show devotion to Eastern

Each year, thousands of students graduate from Eastern. They go on to use the knowledge and experience they gained from the university to better their lives.

But how many of them return to better the university?

This year, Alison Mormino, a 2003 Eastern graduate, returned to the university as development director.

Mormino and other faculty members that return to Eastern should be commended, and the university should be commended as well for allowing and encouraging the return of so many great graduates to better our campus.

Faculty members that have graduated from the university are more likely to understand and relate to the student body.

As development director, Mormino will be raising funds for potential scholarships. She already has Eastern connections. Along with being student body president and being involved in many other extra-curricular activities, her return to the university is proof of her dedication to it.

It is also proof that an Eastern education can be the beginning of a long and successful career.

Two Eastern vice presidents are alumni.

Outgoing Eastern President Lou Hencken has been here for more than 40 years, beginning his career as a graduate student.

In Hencken's six years as president, he has consistently showed commitment.

Enrollment has reached alltime highs and he has successfully constructed several improvements around campus including the awardwinning reconstruction of Blair Hall.

He has been efficiently implementing nine major goals, which includes improving academic programs to enhancing technology to effectively managing enrollment to heightening Eastern's image state and nation-wide.

But his dedication might best be noticed by his presence on campus.

During the beginning of the fall semester, Hencken, clad in EIU gear, personally met and assisted new students moving in. His presence possibly is the best representation of the expression "I am EIU."

Nearing the end of the president's term, members of the Presidential Search Committee should consider replacing Hencken with a similar person who has proven devotion to the university. It is clear that Eastern is a great university to return to and remain with. Whether they be Eastern graduates or well-established veterans on campus, we at the Daily Eastern News would like to thank all of the faculty members that have been loyal to the university over the years.

And it is important that the university does all it can to keep people like this around.

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Terror alert system needs reworking

The terror threat level has just been elevated to red.

Not really, but if it had, what does that even mean?

The color-coded terror threat system used by Homeland Security to scare American citizens out of pursuing their day-to-day activities makes absolutely little to no sense.

Sure, there is a psychology to colors, and that's probably where the system came from, but whose idea was it in the first place?

Were a group of guys in suits and sunglasses sitting around the office one day wondering, "What's an obvious way we can instill fear and worry into the hearts of all the citizens of our great country?"

And if so, who deserves the applause for realizing that by creating a system ranging from green, blue, yellow, orange and red would ultimately symbolize the growing amount of fear? The color red is a symbol for danger, stop and anxiety. The color instills a faster heartbeat and breathing in many people who see it.

So maybe red is the appropriate color choice for the top level of threat, but if another incident like Sept. 11 happens, is my biggest concern really whether or not Homeland Security will up the threat level to red?

Through this whole thing, keep in mind how this system affects a nation that has not seen a threat level under yellow for about the past six years.

Perhaps the biggest problem with the color-coded system is that one has to stop and think about it when they hear the level has been elevated. People need to remember what order the colors come in and how bad that means things are getting.

So I propose to you, Uncle Sam, that a new system be implemented. I even have the scale for you. Ready for it?

The American President-Coded Terror Threat System.

In a pre-9/11 era, when all would have been well in America and the threat level would have been green, the nation could have been at threat level Taft. Taft's presidency was marked by reactionary change and trying to improve the country. No big threat there.

As we move up the ladder, a Ronald Reagan-coded level could replace the blue level of threat. In the wake of Watergate and a Vietnam withdraw, Reagan restored faith in the country, but a sense of fear still loomed after these historic events in the nations history.

Now we hit yellow. The norm for the terror level status. In the current generation, this level could best be replaced by a John F. Kennedy symbol. The Kennedy administration dealt with fearful and dangerous situations caused by the Bay of Pigs invasion, the Cuban missile crisis and Kennedy's assassination. Kennedy's time in office filled many Americans with fear, but no threat ever really came of it.

The orange threat level would be replaced with Abraham Lincoln. During the Civil War and Lincoln's presidency, more than 615,000 Americans lost their lives, and the end of Lincoln's term brought about our nation's first presidential assassination.

That brings us to code red, the highest terror threat level on the scale. To many, the choice of a president to take the place of red is blatantly obvious. This could simply be called "Code Dubya."

When Code Dubya strikes, the country can rely on a mass redeployment of American troops to a part of the world that is probably not even connected to the event that brought us to the elevated threat level.

When a Code Dubya hits, most
Americans are not even concerned with
colors like red, yellow and orange any more.
They are simply concerned with survival
and what lies ahead in their futures. This
new system based on American presidents
may allow citizens to relate more to the
different threat levels, but using any sort
of system still seems ridiculous. Should
the American people not be able to expect
their government to be open about threats
and not hide behind some coded system?
Thank you again, Uncle Sam for providing
us something else, an elevated threat level,
to fear in this world; we really need that in
our lives.

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February should be a focus on the future

Tomorrow begins those special 28 days when we gather to celebrate African-American Heritage month. Yes, little black boys and girls learn about Martin Luther King Jr.

King Jr. and Malcolm X, collegiate black students sponsor and host a variety of programs that evoke a sense of pride in the motherland and in our rich heritage, and white people can feel good about themselves for those two or three black friends that they have, for being nice to the black kid in class and for attending a banquet celebrating a certain ideal of African-American culture. Isn't that sweet?

My concerns with African-American Heritage month has nothing to do with the common complaints of the celebration of black beauty in the Miss Black EIU contest when there is an EIU Homecoming Queen that is open to everyone, nor does it have to do with black people getting a month when white people don't have a specific month set aside for them - I do after all live in America where essentially unless otherwise stated every month is a celebration of what is white, male and heterosexual. I recognize that we, as a country, have not reached a point where African-American history, culture and political thought would ever be taught without the chunk of 28 days. Yet, this does not quiet my concern over the emphasis on the past, the redundant types of celebration and the damage emphasis on this month does to all minorities, including black people.

The constant focus on the past, the near idolization of Mother Africa and the worship of the Civil Rights era, while understandable, keeps our heads turned. We are so focused on the past every year that our current state of being and the inequities of today are barely touched upon. We worship the past, but we do not try to critically learn from the past; we do not look at the Civil Rights Movement and recognize despite its greatness it was steeped in homophobia - Baynard Rustin anyone? - and sexism, and therefore we need to not only revere it but learn from it as we move forward. We only look at the Olympian-like pantheon of black leaders and symbols: Martin Luther King Jr., Malcolm X, W.E.B. Dubois, Rosa Parks, Coretta Scott-King and a few others. What about others; why can we not also look at Audrey Lorde, bell hooks, James Baldwin, Langston Hughes and so many others, and not ignore their importance to the gender struggle and the queer

Our obsession for nostalgia, continued avoidance of "touchy," "in-house" issues and emphasis on comfortable, non-threatening celebration dangerously infuses this brief time of the year that is devoted to race to become pathetically apolitical. We play into certain identity politics that keep us separate from other minorities and their similar struggles, and consequently we leave (mainly Christian, heterosexual and male) white people in positions of power with the added bonus of feeling all warm and fuzzy inside because they went to a banquet, ate some food, saw some entertainment, and sang the Negro National Anthem without shedding a single tear over its words or giving up a single one of their numerous privileges.

Maurice Tracy



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Inyart

FROM PAGE 1

With his father running the shoe store, and a neighborhood full of kids, he remembers that life was "pretty simple."

"I was a pretty outgoing kid," he said. "I ran around a lot, wasn't home very much. My parents didn't know where I was at a lot of the time, and obviously 35 years ago in Charleston that wasn't an issue. In the world that wasn't an issue...I literally rode my bike all over this town and all over campus."

All eight children worked at their father's shoe store, which Bob Invart says strengthened the relationship between him and all his children.

"It was a blessing to work with all of them," Bob Inyart said.

Between friends, siblings, and their various friends, Inyart was in a close community. That could be either good or bad, depending on the circumstances.

"You didn't get away with much that somebody didn't know about," he said. "There was always, if not one of your brothers or sisters keeping an eye on you, then one of their friends who knew you were somebody's little brother," Inyart said. "In addition, in a town like Charleston, especially 30 years ago, adults paid a lot more attention to other people's kids, and everybody looked out for everybody. It wasn't a big deal to have one more face at the table if somebody was going to stick around for dinner."

Business at a young age

Even from a young age, Inyart recalls being "entrepreneurial," and always looking to supplement his

"Because there were eight of us kids, I tell people that we had

everything we needed, but not necessarily everything we wanted," he said. "The wants you bought yourself."

From this entrepreneurial stage, Inyart grew into a young man with a strong work drive, and who knew the value of a dollar.

"I did a lot of yard mowing for the neighbors, and shoveling snow," Inyart said. "My dad used to get irritated because I'd sometimes help the neighbors, but then I wanted to come home and charge him to help with the yard. But that wasn't part of the deal."

During high school, Inyart remembers being a kid "who would rather have an after-school job." In addition to helping his father with the shoe store, he took on a job at Caesar's Pizza, now known as Jerry's Pizza. It wasn't uncommon for him to get in 20 hours of work on a weekend.

Inyart doesn't immediately credit his father with passing down his hard-working trait, but he does express a great deal of respect for

"Dad would work all day at the shoe store, he'd come home for supper, then he'd go back to the shoe store in the evening for a couple of hours. He kept his own general ledger, kept all his inventory, he did all that manually... I remember practicing signing my name big and squiggly like he did, I always thought he had a neat signature. His handwriting is horrible, and mine is too. Maybe it's just because I tried real hard to imitate him."

The Midas Touch

The part-time nature of the Mayor's duties also allows Inyart to maintain his original job as the owner of the Midas Auto Service shops on Lincoln Avenue in Charleston, and on Charleston Ave in Mattoon.

Inyart has managers that oversee the day-to-day operations in both

He mostly works behind the scenes, serving as franchisee, general manager, comptroller and other roles. Invart says that maintaining both jobs can be difficult at times, but is really a matter of time management.

"You can't double book yourself. You have to set time aside for both of them," he said.

The pressure of maintaining both jobs originally made Bob Inyart apprehensive about his son's mayoral aspirations. Though today, he is happy with the balance John has kept.

"His mother and I are both proud," Bob Inyart said. "He's done

Inyart usually tries to devote no more than 20 hours a week to his mayoral duties. He sets aside time on Tuesday mornings and Thursday afternoons to devote to the city.

'You don't necessarily have to have all the balls in the air at the same time, you just can't drop them all," he says.

Adrenaline, excitement and

The walls in the mayor's spacious office are adorned with several certificates and keepsakes. The show stealer is a fire axe with a golden head. The centerpiece on his office wall stands out. The gold-headed ax was a gift from the Lincoln Fire Protection District, Coles County's volunteer fire department, after 18 years of service. Inyart left the job after he was elected mayor. As with professional firefighters, Inyart was on call 24 hours a day. When his pager went off, he dropped the task at hand and took off for the fire station. It's that element of excitement that Inyart sometimes

"I miss the adrenaline. When that pager goes off, the heart starts pumping," he said. "When you jump in the truck, and run the lights and siren to a call, you get excited."

Unfortunately, the job often subjected Inyart to late-night calls.

He recalls being one of the first departments called in to fight the Blair Hall fire. The fire began at roughly 3 p.m. on April 28, 2004 and Inyart's department fought the flames for roughly seven hours before they were released.

"I remember at about 10 o'clock we went back to the station," he said. "And it was probably midnight before we got all of our stuff put back together, cleaned up, back on the trucks. I went home, laid down, was in bed for 45 minutes, and a guy called south of town, who used to be one of our firefighters, and said he had a garage on fire. We were up 'til four in the morning."

Shadows of doubt are also part of Inyart's firefighter memories.

"I remember being in a warehouse that was a beer distributor," Inyart recalls. "And I remember we were in there trying to find some hidden fire in a wall, and couldn't see anything. I wasn't alone, but I just remember thinking to myself: 'What are you doing in here?""

Mike Linder, who served as the chief of the district's Charleston station during much of Inyart's time as a volunteer, remembered the department's collective sadness when Inyart left.

"He was sorely missed," Linder said. "He was a very dedicated volunteer. He had a lot of good ideas, and a lot of good suggestions...We really hated to see him go. But we understood."

Inyart doesn't rule out the possibility of returning to the department after his mayoral career is over, but he's not going to guarantee it either.

"They asked when I quit if I was coming back. And I told them, 'Don't plan on it'. It's a young person's job, it really is," Inyart

Pride

When asked what its like to be the mayor of the town you grew up in, Inyart said that he's not sure if he can describe it.

"Obviously there's a certain amount of pride, I grew up with a true respect for my elders and neighbors. And of course that old neighborhood, and those folks are all gone, but I guess I kinda try and live life hoping they'd be proud. My parents are still around, and I know that they're proud."

City Council member Larry Rennels has known Inyart for more than 15 years, and works with Inyart on a regular basis.

Rennels said his relationship with Inyart was never affected by his mayoral position, and remains the same as it has always been.

As for whether he will seek another term in 2009, Inyart shies away from making a commitment at this juncture.

"I do really enjoy what I'm doing. But I probably wouldn't want to tip my hand yet at this point as to whether or not I'd want to run another four years," he said.

Between Ernie Inyart, son Bob, his son John, John's three daughters, and now his grandchildren, the city of Charleston has hosted five generations of the Inyart family. "I think the fact that Charleston has been so good to our family probably creates a certain sense of responsibility in helping to ensure that the community continues to thrive," Inyart said.

Committee

FROM PAGE 1

"We were hoping for that many,"

"Eastern has an excellent reputation in Illinois and elsewhere. and so that stimulates more applications," said Webb.

He added that an above-average number of university presidents are retiring this year, which has created a demand for talented candidates across the nation.

"We get that number of candidates even in a very tight market, which is good news," he said.

The committee will use guidelines as defined by the Presidential Profile to narrow the applicant pool.

'We're going to be using as a criteria, various items that we've placed in the profile of what we are wanting in the next president of Eastern," Webb said.

We want someone with strong academic credentials. We want someone who will try to involve ROBERT WEBB | CHAIR

"Eastern has an excellent reputation in Illinois and elsewhere, so that stimulates more applications."

the community and be active in the community, and certainly someone who can help in Springfield to get adequate funding for the university."

Once the candidate pool is down to 15, the committee members will begin to do reference checks to narrow the pool down to eight or less, Webb said.

Before President Lou Hencken retires this summer, the university will honor him and his contributions to Eastern.

"Everyone on the Board of

Trustees, and I think from what I understand, the university as a whole is very appreciative of the leadership President Hencken has provided the university during his term as president," Webb said.

"From that standpoint, we regret that it's time for his retirement but we wish him well and feel very thankful for all the leadership he has provided the university," said

Today's meeting is at 8:30 a.m. in the 1895 Room of the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union.









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Explosion levels West Virginia gas station, kills at least four

GHENT, W.Va. - An explosion leveled a gas station near a ski resort Tuesday morning, killing at least four people and seriously injuring at least nine others, authorities said.

A firefighter and a paramedic were among the injured at the Flat Top Little General Store on Route 19, said Kim O'Brien, spokeswoman for the state Fire Marshal's office, who provided the casualty figures.

Authorities suspect that a propane tank exploded at about 10:45 a.m., just as a fire truck was pulling into the station in response to a report of a

The cause of the explosion has not been determined. O'Brien said she's not sure whether it was a propane tank or a liquid petroleum tank that exploded.

All that's left of the building is a pile of debris, twisted metal framework and a sign showing the price of gasoline starting at \$2.19 a gallon.

The explosion was felt at least a mile away at The Ski Shop.

"I thought we got struck by lightning. The whole building shook. The power went off," said Ben Monast, the shop's manager.

Helmet breaks as it's put on lions at Art Institute of Chicago

CHICAGO - Lions with helmets of Bears, oh my.

An effort to honor the NFC Champion Chicago Bears hit a snag Tuesday morning when a huge football helmet broke as it was being placed on one of the lion statues that stands guard outside the Art Institute of Chicago.

It seems the frigid weather often referred to as Bears weather in Chicago may have been to blame.

"They're made of Fiberglas and (one) broke," said Art Institute spokesman Chai Lee.

Some theorize the broken helmet had nothing to do with the weather at all.

"I think the lions got swelled heads since we won," joked Gary Heitz, project manager for Chicago Scenic Studios Inc., the company that made the



JOHN BAILEY | THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

Sandy Bowman, training coordinator for Human Resources, asks a question about how a professor can be more effective in a classroom during the faculty development meeting Tuesday afternoon in the Charleston-Mattoon room in the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union.

Faculty analyze multiculturalism

Myths of ethnocentrism, parochialism and pluralism initiate productive disscussion

By Dan Koteski Staff Reporter

Take one step forward if your childhood home had more than 50 books in it.

Step back if you've ever been attacked because of your race.

Step back if you've ever been profiled by authorities because of your race, gender or sexual

Step forward if your parents told you that you could be anything you wanted to be when you grew up.

As Eastern faculty played this game, opportunity differences unfolded along ethnic, gender and sexuality lines.

Faculty from a range of departments met in the Charleston-Mattoon room Tuesday for Myths to Reality: for Culturally Responsive Teaching, presented by Mildred Pearson, Director of Faculty Development.

The program was designed to enhance awareness of the cultural variation on campus.

explored Faculty and confronted the five outlined "myths" of American multiculturalism.

The myths covered homogenous national identity, superficial assumptions about pluralism, parochialism, and ethnocentrism.

While many present took the myths as ridiculous, no one disputed their mainstream prevalence. The faculty offered persistent, sometimes deeply personal commentary.

James Harden, an education professor, said that Americans do not constitute a "melting pot." This misconception oversimplifies the country's cultural makeup and historical heritage.

The United States is not a melting pot but a "beautiful mosaic," Harden said.

look at discussing cultural

differences as a conduit, not a barrier, for overcoming social disparity. People should not see acknowledging these differences

"Don't be afraid," Pearson

The myth of ethnocentrism generated the most dialogue. It suggested a habit of assuming cultural superiority imposing it on others. Whether or not deliberate, it can bear serious social repercussions and misunderstanding.

Charles Delman, a math professor, questioned the role of government in promoting ethnocentrism. He said forced recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance was an example, as many students recite it mindlessly without thinking for themselves.

Different learning styles should be applied to different student's needs, cultural or otherwise, Delman said.

As the workshop came to a close, Pearson said that the dialogue exchanged was a good start, at most.

She concluded with the Pearson said society should necessary outlook to foster diversity.

Minimum wage increase to break down businesses

Tax break crucial to its passing in the Senate

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON - The Senate cleared the way for an increase in the minimum wage Tuesday, but only with business tax breaks that House Democrats want removed.

Final Senate passage of the legislation is expected later this week, setting the stage for a round of difficult negotiations between House and Senate Democrats over how to get the legislation to President Bush for his signature.

In a key test, the Senate voted 87-10 to end debate on the bill Tuesday, well clear of the 60 votes needed.

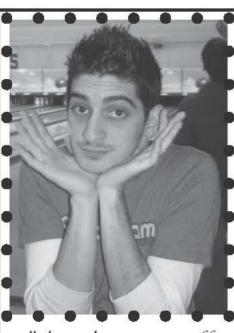
Earlier this month, the House passed the same increase in the wage floor from \$5.15 to \$7.25 an hour over two years without any tax provisions. Senate Democrats tried to push through the House version last week, but failed to get the 60 votes to end debate.

The vote Tuesday emphasized how Senate passage of the bill depends on the tax package to attract Republican votes. The White House has also signaled that Bush wants tax breaks in the legislation.

"Raising the minimum wage will cost some jobs," Al Hubbard, the director of the president's National Economic Council told reporters aboard Air Force One Tuesday. "We think it's important to counter that with tax breaks that will replace those jobs."

The Senate has recognized that our economy is interdependent," said Sen. Michael Enzi, R-Wyo. "One simply cannot claim credit to be helping workers at the same time that they're hurting the businesses that employ them."

The tax breaks in the Senate bill have divided the private sector, pitting small businesses and retailers that would benefit from them against the larger corporations and manufacturers that would have to pay for them. The package costs \$8.3 billion in lost tax revenue over 10 years.

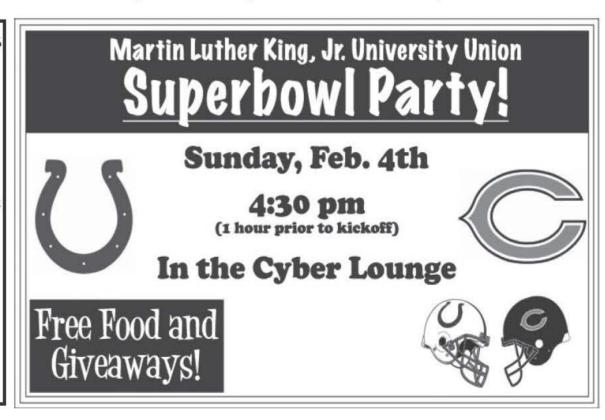


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Shiite Muslims celebrate Ashoura

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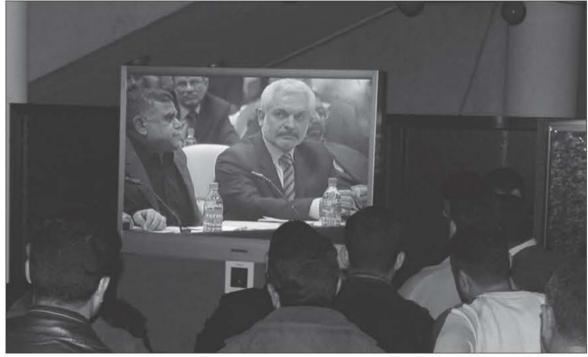
The Associated Press

BEIRUT - Tens of thousands of Shiite Muslim men, some beating their chests and slashing their heads with blades, marched along city streets throughout the Middle East on Tuesday to mark Ashoura.

The marches in Lebanon, Bahrain, Saudi Arabia, Iraq and Iran took place in an atmosphere of tension between Shiites and Sunni Muslims that has risen during the past year as the power struggles in Beirut and Baghdad take on a sectarian cast.

In the southern Lebanese town of Nabatiyeh, thousands of Shiite men walked in circles in the town square, many slashing their heads with swords and then pounding the wound with the palm of their hand. They wore white sheets as symbolic shrouds, which also served to absorb the blood.

Men brought their young sons,



RICHARD MAUER | MCT

Iraqi journalists at the convention center in the Green Zone in Baghdad, Iraq, watch a debate in parliament over the new security plan of Prime Minister Nouri al-Maliki.

parts of their heads shaven, to a hall in Nabatiyeh where a man cleansed a pocket-knife with alcohol before striking each boy several times on the head. Some boys cried and resisted, but the cutting proceeded.

"We're used to it," said Mahmoud Jaber, 43, who brought his five boys to slash their heads. "We've been doing this since we were kids. I started when I was three. It doesn't hurt because the cry of pain goes away with the faith."

Another participant, Abbas Mahmoudi, an engineer, explained why he cut himself by saying: "If the intention is sincere, then I will be rewarded (by God)."

Mahmoudi, 24, said he was not worried about the hostility between the leading Shiite and Sunni political parties in Lebanon. "Al Hamdulillah, (praise be to God), the Shiites are always victorious," he said

One of the holiest days of the Shiite year, Ashoura marks the killing of Imam Hussein, the grandson of Prophet Muhammad, in a 680 A.D. battle at Karbala in Iraq. As the victors went on to become the Sunni branch of Islam, Hussein's death is regarded as the start of the schism between Sunnis and Shiites.

The story of Hussein's final hours was recounted in a huge hall in south Beirut by a cleric who broke down and wept. Several thousand men and women listened in segregated seating, many weeping or slapping their heads.

In eastern Saudi Arabia, men, children and then women marched through the town of Awwamiya, beating their chests. Many of the men's faces were covered in blood from wounds inflicted on their heads with daggers. Over their black clothes, they wore white ponchos to better display the blood.

"The spilling of blood is a symbol of our intent to live by the values of Hussein," said Sheik Nimr al-Nimr, a prominent Shiite cleric.

In Sihat, elsewhere in eastern Saudi Arabia, hundreds of men stood in a farm shed beating their chests with their open palms and wailing "O, Hussein, God is great! God is Great!" In a large shed next door, women followed the demonstration on closed circuit TV, tapping their one hand with the other in time to the rhythm set by the men.

Despite the certainty of sectarian violence in Iraq at least 39 Shiite worshippers were killed in attacks millions attended commemorations. Under Saddam Hussein, Shiites were restricted from performing the Ashoura rituals.

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worldbriefs

Venezuela to buy anti-aircraft missiles to step up air defense

CARACAS - Venezuela plans to obtain air defense missiles to guard strategic sites such as oil refineries and major bridges against any air strike, a top military adviser to President Hugo Chavez said Tuesday.

Gen. Alberto Muller said Venezuela is looking to buy surface-to-air missile systems from Russia or another country to defend "strategic points in the country."

"They are for air defense,"
Muller told The Associated Press in a
telephone interview. "They are not for
attacking anybody."

Chavez, a close ally of Cuban leader Fidel Castro, has repeatedly warned against a possible U.S. invasion, and his government is bolstering military defenses in Venezuela, one of the world's largest oil exporters. American officials insist they have no such military plans, but Chavez insists Venezuelans must be ready just in case.

Russia's Interfax-Military News Agency reported Tuesday that between 10 and 12 Tor-M1 missile systems could be supplied to the South American country.

Chavez said last August that Venezuela planned to install an advanced air-defense system with missiles capable of shooting down approaching enemy warplanes, and said his military was looking at systems produced by Russia, Belarus and Iran.

John Pike, a defense analyst at GlobalSecurity.org, a think tank based in Alexandria, Va., said such systems usually have a limited range and are not meant for offensive purposes.

Cuban TV shows images of Castro meeting with Chavez

HAVANA - Cuban state television on Tuesday showed a video of Fidel Castro meeting with Venezuelan President Hugo Chavez, the first images of the ailing leader shown in three months.

The report said the 10-minute video clip was taped on Monday, in a private meeting that was not previously publicized. Castro, who was standing, looked alert and heavier than in previous images.

North Korean nuclear disarmament talks to resume

U.S. officials help establish meeting Feb. 8

The Associated Press

BEIJING - International talks on dismantling North Korea's nuclear programs will resume Feb. 8, China said Tuesday, as Washington and Pyongyang began a new round of meetings over the North's alleged illicit financial dealings.

The last round of arms talks in December held in the wake of the North's Oct. 9 nuclear test failed to make any progress on getting Pyongyang to disarm.

The duration of the nuclear discussions next week "will depend on the progress made during the talks," said Chinese Foreign Ministry spokeswoman Jiang Yu.

The negotiations have only resulted in one agreement since they began more than three years ago, a September 2005 pact where the North pledged to abandon its nuclear program in exchange for aid and security guarantees.

Jiang said the key goal at the next meeting would be to take "substantive steps" toward implementing that agreement between China, Japan, Russia, the United States and the two Koreas.

"We hope the relevant parties can make joint efforts ... toward implementing the joint statement in a comprehensive way," Jiang said at a regular news briefing.

A Japanese Foreign Ministry official said Tuesday that the talks were expected to end before the Chinese New Year China's biggest holiday that starts Feb. 18.

Last week, envoys from South Korea, North Korea and the U.S. held meetings with their Chinese counterpart in Beijing, a move that helped establish when the next round of nuclear talks would be, Jiang said.

Such "contacts have laid the basis for the resumption of talks," she said.

Russia's nuclear envoy was upbeat Tuesday ahead of the talks.

"The very fact that there was agreement to hold a new round testifies to signs of small movement in the positions of the participants," Deputy Foreign Minister Alexander Lusyukov, who will head the Russian delegation at the talks, was quoted by Russian news agency RIA-Novosti as saying.

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Sosa returns to baseball

The Associated Press

ARLINGTON, Texas — Sammy Sosa is back in baseball after he left the game more than a year ago.

Sosa and the Texas Rangers agreed to a minor league contract Tuesday, giving the former slugger his first crack at the major leagues since the 2005 season with Baltimore, when he hit .221 with 14 home runs in 102 games.

If he makes the Rangers' roster at the end of spring training - and Sosa said there's only a "one in a million" chance that he won't - he would get a \$500,000, one-year deal. He could also earn up to \$2.1 million more in performance bonuses.

The 38-year-old, fifth on the career list with 588 home runs, said Tuesday he spent the past year working out and knows he must rightfully earn his spot. He added that he still has as much as five "good years" of baseball left in him.

New prosecutors ready in Duke lacrosse case

DURHAM, N.C.- A critical hearing in the Duke lacrosse sexual assault case has been postponed until May as the new prosecutors, who took over from embattled District Attorney Mike Nifong, study the evidence.

Prosecutors from the state attorney general's office met with defense attorneys for about two hours Tuesday, the first meeting between the parties since the state took over the case from Nifong earlier this month.

Defense attorneys said afterward that a planned Feb. 5 hearing would be rescheduled.

White Sox reach deal with veteran infielder

CHICAGO - Reserve infielder Junior Spivey and the Chicago White Sox agreed to a minor league contract Tuesday.

Spivey spent last season in the St. Louis Cardinals' organization, batting .200 with nine homers and 29 RBIs in 89 games for Triple-A Memphis.

His best season was 2002, when he hit .301 with 16 home runs and 78 RBIs for the Arizona Diamondbacks and made the NL All-Star team.

Sudoku By Michael Mepham

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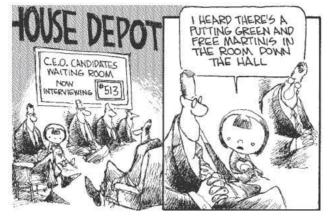
Pavol Demitra scored twice, including an empty-netter, to help the Wild win for the fifth time in six road games. Brian Rolston and Petteri Nummelin each had two assists for Minnesota, which before the current road success had a franchise-record 11-game winless slump.

Eric Brewer and Jay McClement scored for the Blues, who had been 7-1-1 in their previous nine and entered the game eight points behind Minnesota for the final Western Conference playoff spot.

Notre Dame wins shootout against Syracuse

SYRACUSE, N.Y. - Luke Harangody had 21 points and 13 rebounds, and No. 21 Notre Dame beat Syracuse 103-91 on Tuesday night behind an impressive display of 3-point

Notre Dame (18-4, 6-3 Big East) won for the first time in four conference road games and halted a three-game losing streak against the reeling Orange (15-7, 4-4), who lost their third straight game.

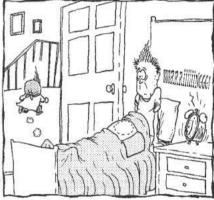












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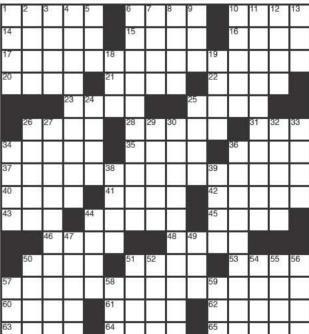
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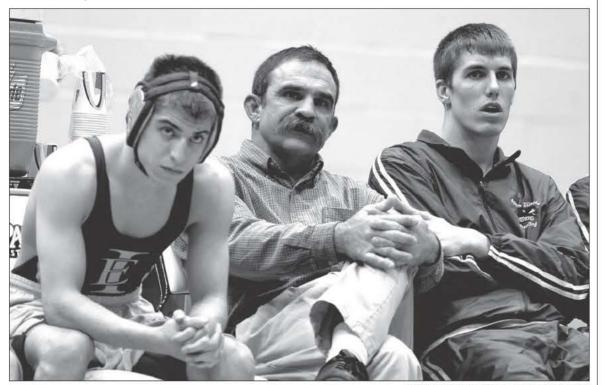
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WRESTLING | NOTEBOOK



NORA MABERRY | THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

Eastern Headcoach Ralph McCausland (center) has been without junior Jason Sherko becuase of a neck injury. "Any time that kind of scenario develops, you want to make sure and not take a risk," McCausland said.

Sherko to have MRI on neck

By Adam Larck Staff Reporter

Junior Jason Sherko, who wrestles at the 197-pound weight class, did not wrestle Saturday night against McKendree.

This was his fourth match missed

"He's got to get an (magnetic resonance imaging or MRI) on his neck," said head coach Ralph McCausland.

McCausland could not get into more details about the injury or disclose how he got the injury because of an NCAA rule.

Sherko, who red-shirted last year because of an injury, had an 11-19 record last year. He has a 0-13 record this year.

The MRI will help the team determine how much longer Sherko

Currently, at practice, Sherko has been doing light to moderate

McCausland said he is basically getting treatment in practice.

"Any time that kind of scenario develops, you want to make sure is good, because then we go to a and not take a risk," he said.

Ciccarelli gets bye week

While the other members of the team wrestled this past weekend, freshman A.J. Ciccarelli sat on the sidelines at the 125-pound weight

This was not because of an injury, though, but rather by a forfeit from McKendree.

Ciccarelli said having that extra week off should not affect him before the three match series this weekend against North Dakota State, South Dakota State and Northern Iowa.

He was not sure of how he will do this weekend because of the limited knowledge of his opponents.

"I don't know any of the guys, but I'm going to go out there and do what I can," Ciccarelli said.

With only two road trips left in the season, McCausland said it was unfortunate he did not get a match.

"We want to get as many matches in as we can," McCausland said. "Basically, we're going to end up with two trips left. This trip, which is going to be North Dakota, South Dakota, and Northern Iowa, and then one other day, which will be Northern Illinois, which will be a three match scenario. Which tournament for qualifying which is basically a three match scenario

Differences on college levels

The National Association of

Intercollegiate Athletics, or the NAIA, who McKendree belongs to, has some noticeable differences from the NCAA.

Besides normally having smaller school sizes, they have some different academic and graduation requirements.

"NAIA has a little less restrictions as far as rules go," McCausland said. "It's just another segment. It's just kind of always been there. You got D-1, D-2, D-3, NAIA and your junior college. A lot of universities in the NAIA division are quite a bit smaller, usually. But financially, they're well supported."

Besides just different restrictions and rules, the level of competition was a bit different than the normal NCAA teams Eastern faces.

"As far as the dual, that was as evenly matched as we're going to see," McCausland said. "That was a plain and simple scenario where the team that got bonus points won the match. They've got a couple of good kids; it's just a little bit different level."

Joe Trinka, the freshman heavyweight, said that the wrestler from McKendree he faced was good, but hard to compare to NCAA wrestlers.

"You can't compare the two, NCAA and NAIA, they all have good wrestlers," he said.

NFL I SUPER BOWL XLI

Proehl ready for another title

Indiana, Illinois governors set bets for game

The Associated Press

MIAMI — He's the oldest wide receiver in the NFL, yet Ricky Proehl is not saying he's ready to

Winning the Super Bowl, though, would almost certainly change that.

Proehl, the 38-year-old veteran the Indianapolis Colts signed in December after Brandon Stokley ruptured his right Achilles' tendon, is in the Super Bowl for the fourth

Proehl won a Super Bowl ring in 1999 with the St. Louis Rams and said he turned down four other NFL clubs – he wouldn't say which ones - before deciding to sign with the Colts.

Indy picked as favorite

Indianapolis is a seven-point favorite to beat Chicago in the Super Bowl. Oddly enough, Colts quarterback Peyton Manning finds that puzzling.

that video highlights of the Super Bowl and NFL Network coverage of the game will be available through iTunes for \$1.99 apiece.

Chicago safety returns to roots

Bears rookie safety Nick Turnbull grew up in the shadow of Dolphin Stadium, played his youth football not far from there and spent his college years a few miles south at Florida International.

And now he's at the Super

Turnbull got his allotment of 15 tickets, but is using only two of them: his girlfriend and his father will be attending. The rest went to teammates who needed his extras.

McMahon won't watch

Jim McMahon quarterbacked the Bears to their first Super Bowl win 21 years ago. He won't be watching them try for a second



WALTER MICHOT | MCT

Indianapolis Colts quarterback Peyton Manning talks with the press during Media Day Tuesday at Dolphin Stadium in Miami. Manning said he is surprised the Colts are seven-point favorites against the Bears.

"It's ridiculous to me," he said. "The Bears won 15 games this year. You don't do that without being an incredibly gifted, talented, wellcoached team. To me it's an even game. How that point spread comes about makes no sense.'

The Bears were favored going into playoff games against Seattle and New Orleans.

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"I don't care," McMahon said Tuesday in Chicago. "I haven't watched the game in 10 years."

Governors make bets for game

SPRINGFIELD- If the Indianapolis Colts win, Illinois Gov. Rod Blagojevich has promised to fork over deep-dish pizza, cheesecake and kosher candy and nuts. But if the Chicago Bears win, Gov. Mitch Daniels will pay up with an assortment of Indiana foods, including candy, pretzels, salsa, pickles, popcorn and shrimp

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SUPER BOWL COVERAGE

The Chicago Bears and the Indianapolis Colts meet this Sunday in the Super Bowl. Associate photo editor Amir Prellberg asked Eastern students what they thought the outcome of the game would be. Can the Bears shuffle again or will Peyton Manning finally win it all?



Tony Girardi "Robbie Gould kicks the winning field goal after Adam Vinateri misses," said Tony Girardi, a senior history major.



Katie Acker "Great game, but Colts on top at the end," said Katie Acker, a graduate student.



Derek Drudge "Bears win by 97. 100-3," said Derek Drudge, a junior piano performance major.



Jake Kleckner "I predict 29-21 with 'Da Bears' winning," said Jacke Kleckner, a senior physical education major.



Andrew Collier "Urlacher will eat Peyton Manning," said Andrew Collier, a senior social science teacher certification major.

>> Samford

Samford's baseball team is the preseason pick to win the league after winning last year's 2006 regular season conference title.

Being in a private school has not hindered Samford's athletic

Northwestern competes in the Big Ten Conference where it is the only private school. Northwestern has had success with its back-toback women's lacrosse national championships and its men's soccer team made it to the Elite Eight this past fall.

"I think the situation is the same here," Steinbrecher said. He also said being a private school is not a big difference from what he's been told by people inside the league.

"I don't see that as a hindrance,' Roller said of being the only private school in the OVC.

If Samford did move to the Southern Conference, the OVC could seek out another school to replace Samford.

"It's just a part of the business," Steinbrecher said.

According to league rules, Samford would have to receive an invitation from the Southern Conference and they would have

to let the OVC know if they were leaving within a two-year academic period.

"You don't want to lose your numbers," Steinbrecher said. "The conference was good before Samford arrived and the conference will be good after they leave."

Samford has not moved yet, but one of the OVC's possible replacements that they looked at Tennessee-Chattanooga in was

Chattanooga's director of media relations Jeff Romero said there is no reason to change conferences just for the sake of change.

Romero said the OVC staff pursued UT-Chattanooga and not the other way around.

memberships," Steinbrecher said.

If the Mocs had joined the OVC, it would have been better travel with four schools in Tennessee and three schools in Kentucky already in the OVC. Romero said the school, in conjunction with the chancellor, Rodger Brown, and recently hired director of athletics, Rick Hart, formed a study to see the advantages and disadvantages of joining the OVC.

If the school did join the OVC,

it could complicate schedules. Conferences always seek an even number of schools for scheduling

If Samford leaves, it would be a benefit in the basketball scheduling, said Eastern director of athletics Rich McDuffie. The conference currently plays 20 basketball games. The benefit of 18 games would have schools playing conference games later in the schedule when they are more convenient for fans, McDuffie said.

McDuffie said it would relieve Eastern of playing conference home games during the fall and winter breaks and it would be better for the spectator.

Most students, except for athletes, are not here during the breaks to see Eastern play.

Eastern men's basketball played "I continue to look at five games this season during Thanksgiving or winter breaks. Eastern women's basketball team played three home games during those breaks.

The 18-game schedule would also appeal to head coaches. The Eastern men's basketball team was the first team in the nation to play a conference game.

"If I had my preference — which I don't - don't bring in another team," said Eastern's women's basketball head coach Brady Sallee.

SCHOOLS THAT LEFT OVC IN BASKETBALL & FOOTBALL

» School name: E. Tennessee State

» Year school left OVC: 1978 » Current Conference: Southern

» School name: Western Kentucky

» Year school left OVC: 1982

» Current Conference: Sun Belt

» School name: Akron

» Year school left OVC: 1987

» Current Conference: Mid-American

» School name: Youngstown State

» Year school left OVC: 1988

» Current Conference: Horizon

» School name: Middle Tennessee

» Year school left OVC: 2000

» Current Conference: Sun Belt

These schools left solely for men's basketball:

»Louisville (1949) »Evansville (1952)

»Marshall (1952)

SCHOOLS THAT JOINED OVC IN BASKETBALL & FOOTBALL

School name: Eastern Illinois Year joined OVC: 1996

School name: Jacksonville State Year joined OVC: 2003

School name: Samford Year joined OVC: 2003

School name: Southeast Missouri Year joined OVC: 1991

School name: Tennessee State Year joined OVC: 1988

YEARS SCHOOLS THAT LEFT OVC JOINED CONFERENCE

E. Tennessee State: 1957 Western Kentucky: 1948 Akron: 1981

Youngstown State: 1981 Middle Tennessee State: 1952

Louisville: 1948 Evansville: 1948 Marshall: 1948

Clutter

She did her part by inspiring us, and telling us that we have potential to do great things.

Now the team has to do its part.

We have to keep the plan rolling.

We do this by going out and competing to the best of our ability at every meet and giving it our all at practice.

Like I was saying before, in order to be fully inspired I have to see something happen.

That is where my teammates come in.

MOLLY CLUTTER | WOMEN'S TRACK SPRINTER

"When I see my teammates busting their butts, it makes me dig deep and do the same."

When I'm at a meet and I see my fellow teammates (female or male) run a great race, or throw or jump a great distance, that inspires me like no other.

They don't have to win their event, but just the fact that I know that they made the effort to go above and beyond, makes me want to go above and beyond.

Here you are watching your teammate contribute their best to the team and it makes you want to do the same.

The same goes for practice. When I see my teammates busting their butts, it makes me dig deep and do the same.

This goes for any sport and I hope that people take what I say into consideration because everyone on any team can make a difference. Even if you don't start or run at a meet, your effort at practices and when you do play or run, goes a long way with your teammates. Teammates tend to feed off other teammates' energy.

So next time you are at practice, try to inspire someone. It will go a long way and won't go unnoticed.



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PANTHER SPORTS SCHEDULE

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

Thursday vs. Jacksonville State | 5:15 p.m. Lantz Arena

MEN'S BASKETBALL

Thursday vs. Jacksonville State | 7:35 p.m. Lantz Arena

MEN'S AND WOMEN'S TENNIS

Friday at Indiana-Purdue-Fort Wayne |

11 a.m. Fort Wayne, Ind.

WOMEN'S TENNIS

Friday vs. Oakland | 7 p.m. Fort Wayne, Ind.

Saturday vs. Saint Louis | Noon Lantz Arena

Some inspirational thoughts

Inspiration can be found pretty much anywhere.

From books to quotes, songs to cards, or paintings to pictures, inspiration surrounds us.

Normally people look for things like this whenever they need a quick pick-me-up.

I must admit that I am a sucker for songs and quotes that are inspirational. I will hear a lyric to a song and think, "Wow, that is so true," or "That is the exact same way I feel."

However, I feel like that is the first part of inspiration.

It's so easy to say things and mean them, but it is another story when it comes to acting out what you say and mean.

It's also easy to say things to try to inspire someone, but how do they really know if you mean it.

For me, I have to see something happen. I have to see someone make something happen.

Some people could just be all talk, but if they can talk and back it

up, then I'm inspired. Women's track head coach Mary Wallace is trying her best to inspire us and she is doing a great job.

The other day we had a meeting before practice and she handed us this note card with inspirational quotes on it. She told us to put this card on our mirrors where we will definitely be able to see it.

Now some people might not think that a bunch of words on a card can be inspirational, and it might not be to some people, but the important thing to know here is that Coach Wallace set the plan in motion.

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Molly Clutter: Around the Track

The sophomore outside center for Eastern's rugby team and sprinter on the track and field team is providing The Daily Eastern News with a weekly look at what it's like being a female athlete.

triplethreat



This weekend is a historic weekend here at Eastern.

ESPN2 is sending its crew to Charleston for Saturday's men's basketball game against Samford. Tipoff is at 5 p.m in ESPN's first-ever trip to Lantz Arena.

Dick Vitale (left) isn't coming, but the exposure can only help the Eastern

Here are three reasons why we think ESPN2 is televising Eastern's game.

1. No strong man competitions-

Samford head coach Jimmy Tillette and Eastern head coach Mike Miller won't duke it out in a tire-flip competition at halftime. Instead, they'll be scribbling x's and o's and trying to get one of their respective teams back in the game. But a strong man competition between those two would be entertaining.

2. No dodgeball tournaments- ESPN hasn't created 'ESPN Ocho' yet, as it did in the "Dodgeball" movie. Vince Vaughn

and Ben Stiller won't duke it out in between media timeouts. But how about a dodgeball tournament between the Pink Panthers and Eastern's cheerleading squad instead?

3. Hear the Panther roar- ESPN2 is sending Dr. Jerry Punch and Bucky Waters to call the game. With Punch becoming ESPN's lead commentator for NASCAR, the roar of the Panther that comes from Eastern's scoreboard is good preparation for the roar he'll hear from NASCAR races.

-Matt Daniels

OHIO VALLEY CONFERENCE | CONFERENCE ALIGNMENT

Private school considering making change

Southern officals visited Samford two weeks ago

By Kevin Murphy Associate Sports Editor

The smallest school in the Ohio Valley Conference is considering leaving.

Samford is considering a move to the Southern Conference. Samford, a private school in Birmingham, Ala., is the smallest school in the OVC with 4,480

Bob Roller, Samford's director of athletics, said when Southern Conference officials visited campus two weeks ago it was just a preliminary stage.

The SoCon officials, including representatives of each conference institution visited and evaluated the facilities, the campus, the athletic budgets and other various aspects of the university.

"We're still in the process







If Samford leaves the Ohio Valley Conference, they could possibly join the Southern Conference.

evaluating (Samford)," Conference Southern Commissioner John Iamarino.

In that process of evaluating, the Southern Conference will look at a variety of qualities about Samford.

The Southern Conference is looking at graduation rates, average SAT and ACT scores of freshmen, freshmen retention levels and if the school follows conference and NCAA regulations when evaluating a school, Iamarino

These marks help the conference and presidents of each Southern Conference school decide if they

want to send an invitation to Samford.

Iamarino said there is no meeting on the schedule to approve an invitation to Samford.

An invite could stem from the Samford campus visit that was planned since March. when the SoCon contacted Samford's President Andrew Westmoreland and Roller himself.

Despite SoCon officials looking at Samford, Samford is content in the OVC, Roller said.

"(The OVC) has brought all our sports under one roof," Roller

If Samford did leave, it would >> SEE SAMFORD, PAGE 11

not be the smallest school as it is now in the OVC. A second benefit for Samford is that they would be one of the five private schools in the SoCon if they did join.

"That's certainly would find very attractive (for Samford to join the SoCon)," said OVC Commissioner Jon Steinbrecher.

Samford, the only private school in the OVC has had success competing in an all public school league.

Samford women's soccer team has won four-consecutive regularseason conference titles.

MEN'S BASKETBALL | BRACKETBUSTER GAME ANNOUNCED

Eastern to take on in-state rival

Panthers will head north and play Horizon League preseason favorite Loyola of Chicago

By Matt Daniels Sports Editor

Eastern found out Tuesday who it will play in the Feb. 17 Bracketbuster game - and it's someone with a record that doesn't match up

well with Eastern's. The Panthers will travel to Chicago to take on Horizon League opponent Loyola of Chicago (14-9) in the non-conference match-up.

This is Eastern's second year in the Bracketbuster event, an event designed by ESPN in 2003 to give mid-major schools a chance to play each other shortly before the start of the NCAA Tournament.

The games are designed to match up teams with similar records, but the formula didn't work in the Panthers' favor.

Eastern head coach Mike Miller said he was a little surprised about the game with the Ramblers, the preseason pick to win the

'We didn't really know what to expect," Miller said. "You look at them right now and they're probably a postseason team. They've won 14 games and, counting the conference tournament, they're going to be on the verge of winning 20 games.'

The Ramblers defeated Youngstown State Monday, 80-66, at the Gentile Center in Chicago. Saturday, Loyola lost to No. 11 Butler 70-66 in overtime, and has played Ohio State, Purdue and Bradley this year.

The Ramblers lost to all three, but have defeated Northern Iowa and Wisconsin-Milwaukee, two 2006 NCAA Tournament teams, this season.

The Ramblers, currently in third place in the nine-team Horizon League, are led by senior 6foot-7 guard Blake Schlib. Schlib averaged 19.1 points per game last year on his way to earning



JAY GRABIEC | THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

Senior forward Ryan Voss goes up for a reverse layup during practice at Lantz Arena on Tuesday evening.

honorable mention All-American honors.

This season, Schlib's scoring average has dropped to 16.3 points per game, but three other Ramblers average in double figures.

"I thought we were going to play an Eastern Michigan or someone like that," sophomore guard Mike Robinson said of playing someone with a record similar to the Panthers. "We're the underdog because they got all this preseason recognition and a good player in Schlib, but we're just going to play our hardest and show them what we got.'

Last season, the Panthers hosted Eastern Michigan in the Bracketbuster game. Under the current agreement with the Bracketbuster event, a team will play a home-and-home series with their opponent. This year, EIU traveled up to Ypsilanti, Mich., to play EMU.

This means Loyola will come to Charleston for an Eastern home game in November or December of the 2007-08 season. Junior center Jake Byrne said the shorter travel to Chicago from Charleston is something he likes.

"It's only three hours, which isn't bad at all

OHIO VALLEY CONFERENCE SCHEDULE FOR BRACKETBUSTER GAMES THE WEEKEND OF FEB. 16 AND 17

Records as of Jan. 30

»Eastern Illinois (6-16) at Loyola of Chicago

»Eastern Kentucky (11-9) at Youngstown State

»Jacksonville State (5-16) at Chattanooga (9-14)

»Rider (12-9) at Murray State (10-11)

»Bowling Green (10-10) at Morehead State (10-»Evansville (12-10) at Samford (12-10)

»Louisiana Tech (6-14) at Southeast Missouri

»Loyola College (Md.) (13-8) at Tennessee State

»Northwestern State (11-9) at Tennessee Tech

»Saint Peter's (3-18) at UT Martin (6-18)

»Austin Peay (14-6) at Akron (15-4)

»Austin Peay's game is the only televised game of all the OVC schools.

»Bold teams are in the OVC.

compared to the eight hours it took to go to Eastern Michigan," he said. "I remember last year, (Southeast Missouri) traveled to California for (the Bracketbuster)."

Miller said when Eastern can play in the Chicago area, it would only hep recruiting. The Panthers already played at DePaul this year.

All 11 Ohio Valley Conference schools are in the event this season, but Eastern has the one game where the records don't match up.

Tennessee State is the only other OVC school with a losing record that faces a team with a winning record. The Tigers face Loyola-Maryland and both teams have at least 10

Eastern last met Loyola in 2002, winning 94-78. A game time has not been set yet.