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CAMPUS | ACTIVITIES

Chandra's golden moment

Candidates disagree on worst, best, part of the beauty pageant

By Alison Burge Staff Reporter

Chandra Golden was shocked when she won.

Golden was crowned Miss Black EIU Saturday night during the 37th annual Miss Black EIU pageant.

Golden had wanted to compete for the title since her freshman year.

"It just seemed like a showcase of all the strong African-American women on-campus to show what they got to the campus," she said.

With her new title, Golden plans on starting a program on campus to help young women.

"It helps women on this campus ... learn self-confidence and self-respect as they grow into young women and go out into the world,' Golden said.

The five contestants in the Miss Black EIU 2008 Pageant were Chandra Golden, Corinne Enning, Cierra Howard, Deminique Lobo and Cachet Morris.

This year's theme was "On the wings of Destiny." To follow with the theme, each participant said what she thought she was destined for during the opening number.

First-runner up Cachet Morris



MOLLY CLUTTER | THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS Chandra Golden, a junior family and consumer sciences major, was crowned Miss Black EIU on Saturday in the Grand Ballroom of the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union.

said her destiny was "to become successful and independent."

During the pageant, the five contestants were judged in three categories: African Garment, Talent and Evening Gown/Impromptu questioning.

Earlier in the week, contestants

competed in the Creative Expression category.

Each contestant had a different opinion on what was the most difficult part of the evening.

Morris said the greatest challenge for her is the impromptu questioning

Golden had a different opinion. "The hardest part of the evening, I would say, is just the down time, sitting there and waiting with anticipation," Golden said.

The five contestants were able to vote for the winners of four categories.

The categories included Ms. Togetherness, Ms. Scholarship, Ms. Ebony and Ms. Congeniality. Awards were also handed out for the contestant who won creative expression, African garment and talent and the contestant who raised more than \$500.

During the African garment portion, each contestant designed her own African garment and explained how their attire explained their cultural heritage. Golden won the award for African garment.

Despite winning a different category, Golden said her favorite part of the evening was the talent portion.

"I loved it," she said. "I thought it was really fun. I think everybody did a good job."

The talent portion of the night ranged from singing to dancing. Morris won the talent portion of the evening with her dance routine, titled "The Cachet Experience."

Support for all five contestants was high. Some audience members held signs and even clappers to show their support for the women.

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A riot brought the Civil War to Charleston

Not all deaths were on the battlefields of the **Civil War**

By Jordan Crook Senior City Reporter

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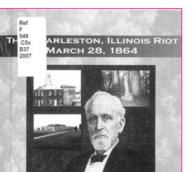
Behind Charleston's seemingly quaint exterior lies a bloody, divid-

CHARLESTON DIVIDED

Illinois was a divided state during the Civil War.

The issue of slavery in Illinois had been hotly contested even before the Civil War. The southern part of the state strongly supported slavery, while the northern part was in favor of stopping slavery.

Southern Democrats, then called Copperheads, began many pro-



Reports and accounts regarding differ over what caused the riot. Some sources say the riot was a spontaneous event that occurred as a result of inebriation and of too many Union soldiers and Copperheads in the same place. Others say local resident Nelson Wells, who was one of only two Copperheads killed in the incident, instigated the conflict.

Either way, the riot was over

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Goodbye to Bill Nye

Filming schedule, planned appearance suddenly conflict; UB hopeful to bring back Science Guy next year

By Emily Zulz

Activities Reporter

Bill Nye will not be coming to Eastern.

Because of scheduling conflicts, Nye's planned appearance on campus this semester has been canceled.

The University Board Lectures committee was in the middle of putting together the contract for Nye when his agent called and said Nye would no longer be available on the scheduled date.

Nye will be filming a show instead.

"It's a disappointment, but it's understandable in that business with somebody of his celebrity status," said Ceci Brinker, director of student life.

Amy Baumgart, a graduate assistant in the student life office, received the call from the agent about a week and a half ago.

"It was really heartbreaking," Baumgart said.

She said the first thing she did was run down to scheduling in a panic to see if there was a different date Nye could visit.

Baumgart made a list of five to six alternative dates and hoped to change the date of his appearance.

"All the alternative dates we could find, really, to put him anywhere on campus. (But) it became apparent that we weren't going to be able to pull this show off this semester," she said.

Ryan Kerch, UB lectures coordinator, said in the time since the board found out, members have been trying to figure out whether there were other dates Nye could visit - or alternative speakers to spend the money on. "It's really no one's fault," Kerch said. "These things happen, unfortunately." Kerch said they have been in talks with the Apportionment Board about what will happen to the money that was allocated from AB for Bill Nve. "It's not promising towards bringing say another big-named speaker at a similar price," Kerch said. "Both for the reasons that we specifically wanted Bill Nye, and they wouldn't want to necessarily spend the money just on another choice. Bill Nye was the one we put all the research on." UB received an additional \$22,870 from AB to bring Nye to campus. After UB contributed the \$6,888 remaining in their lecture funding, the total cost to bring Nye to campus would have been \$29,758.

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ed past.

The Charleston Riot erupted on March 28, 1864, in the Charleston Square, when a Mattoon-based contingent of Union soldiers clashed with southern Illinois secessionists, nicknamed "Copperheads."

According to eyewitness accounts, the riot lasted only moments, but when the dust settled, at least nine people were dead and Charleston was forever changed.

Many of the families of the rioters who were arrested and later pardoned by President Abraham Lincoln still live in the Charleston/Mattoon area

This familial connection is what led Peter Barry to chronicle the riot through the perspective of Copperheads involved in the riot.

Barry, professor emeritus of agricultural finance at the University of Illinois, thought the book needed to be written because of the impact it had on the town.

"The riot is an important part of Charleston's history," he said.

tests throughout Illinois as soon as the state sided with the Union. Tensions between north and south Illinois rose to a boiling point when the Civil War began.

Martin Hardeman, professor of Civil War history at Eastern, said these tensions were a result of how Illinois was settled.

He said most of the northern citizens had come from northern states where slavery had not been a set way of life for many years, while the southern part of the state came from southern states where slavery was the norm.

Due to this clash in cultures, Hardeman said, the southern part of Illinois had considered seceding from the Union and either joining the Confederacy or possibly creating their own new Confederacy with other states in the Union that sympathized with the South.

He said at least one southern Illinois army regiment was sent to the Confederacy to aid in the fight against the Union.



COURTESY OF THE CHARLESTON PUBLIC LIBRARY

Peter Barry said his book had to be written because of the change it brought to the city of Charleston.

This virtual cold war between the north and south of Illinois created grave problems for areas like Charleston who were right on the border between the two sides and had many citizens from both living in their area.

The times were ripe for violence, and one day in March 1864 on the Charleston Square, the conflict erupted.

almost as soon as it had begun. At least nine were dead - six soldiers and three civilians - and 12 were wounded.

This short conflict is considered by some to be the among the bloodiest riots to occur in the North during the Civil War.

William Furry, executive director of the Illinois State Historical Society, said other protests and smaller riots arose, but the Charleston Riot was the largest in the state.

He said both the scope of the conflict and the death toll are the main reasons why so many historians have written about the riot.

Furry said the overriding cause of the conflict, the clashing of northern and southern ideologies, was the inspiration for the book "Across the Five Aprils," by Irene Hunt.

Barry's ancestors were among those charged with murder as a result of the riot.

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Coen brothers win big Sunday night at the Oscars

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LOS ANGELES - The Coen brothers have completed their journey from the fringes to Hollywood's mainstream, winning four Academy Awards for "No Country for Old Men," including best picture.

Javier Bardem won for supporting actor in "No Country," which earned Joel and Ethan Coen the best-picture honor as producers, best director and adapted screenplay.

Accepting the directing honor alongside his brother, Joel Coen recalled how they were making films since childhood, including one at the Minneapolis airport called "Henry Kissinger: Man on the Go."

What we do now doesn't feel that much different from what we were doing then," Joel Coen said. "We're very thankful to all of you out there for continuing to let us play in our corner of the sandbox."

Daniel Day-Lewis won his sec-

PHOTO OF THE DAY

Sunday for the oil-boom epic "There Will Be Blood," while "La Vie En Rose" star Marion Cotillard was a surprise winner for best actress, riding the spirit of Edith Piaf to Oscar triumph over Julie Christie, who had been expected to win for "Away From Her."

While the quirky American Coens led the night, the Oscars had a strong international flavor, with all four acting prizes went to Europeans: Frenchwoman Cotillard, Spaniard Bardem, and Brits Day-Lewis and Tilda Swinton, the supportingactress winner for "Michael Clayton.

Spears gets visitation time with sons; first in weeks

LOS ANGELES - Britney Spears was reunited briefly with her sons Saturday, spending about three hours with the two little boys nearly two months after the troubled pop

Spears' father, James, played a key part in making possible the visit with Jayden James, 1, and Sean Preston, 2, said Elliot Mintz, a spokesman for Spears' ex-husband Kevin Federline.

Mintz wouldn't say where the reunion took place or who else was there, but People magazine reported that Spears' psychiatrist was present.

Jolie's skin-tight clothes reveal baby bump

LOS ANGELES - If the bump on her belly is any indication, Angelina Jolie really is pregnant.

The actress created a stir at Saturday night's Spirit Awards when she showed up with partner Brad Pitt on her arm and a noticeably pregnant bulge.

Jolie ignored reporters' questions on the awards show carpet, but People magazine reported on its Web site that a source close to the couple confirmed that she and Pitt are "thrilled to be adding to their brood."

Music through a different lens



BRYCE PEAKE | THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

Steve Kaiser, a freshman jazz studies major, is video recorded on WEIU as he performs with the EIU Wind Symphony during the world premiere of "My Hands are a City" by Jonathan Newman, on Sunday afternoon

star last saw them.

ond best-actor Academy Award on

WHAT THE... | WEIRD, UNEXPECTED, BIZARRE NEWS Man rides on roof of girlfriend's car for more than a mile

The Associated Press

HAVERSTRAW, N.Y. - A man fighting with his girlfriend clung to a car roof and punched her through the window as she drove more than a mile on a busy road, hitting several other cars, police said.

Both were hurt in the brawl Saturday and were arrested, police Sgt. Manfredo Figueroa said.

The man, William Kremer, apparently jumped onto the car and held on as girlfriend Stacey Sperrazza wove along Route 202 with the car's air bag inflated, police

said. She eventually stopped the car and hit him with it, police said.

Sperrazza, 37, of Stony Point, was arrested on a felony charge of reckless endangerment. Kremer, 42, of Haverstraw, was arrested on a misdemeanor assault charge.

No telephone numbers could be found for the two. Police had no immediate information early Sunday on whether they had lawyers.

He was treated for a foot injury, she for eye and head wounds, police said.

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LOCAL | EVENTS

VILLAINS FLOCK TO ONE PLAY

Eastern theatre arts production features notorious evil-doers

By Ashley Mefford

Senior Campus Reporter

Bailey Murphy, a senior theatre arts major, took on multiple personalities this weekend.

Murphy played the villainous roles of a witch, a reporter and a wife in "Nasty SOBs."

"Nasty SOBs: A Collection of Villains Despicable, Detestable, Vile, Depraved and Loathsome Yet Loveable" opened at the Village Theatre on Friday night. The play was written and directed by Jerry Eisenhour.

"Nasty SOBs" is the story of eight actors who just finished performing a show.

These actors then decide they want to play something they have not played before - and they all opt for a "darker" role.

"Play the villain you always wanted to play," they told each other in the beginning of the play.

The actors follow this plan by playing scenes from famous productions, including "Treasure Island" and "Macbeth.'

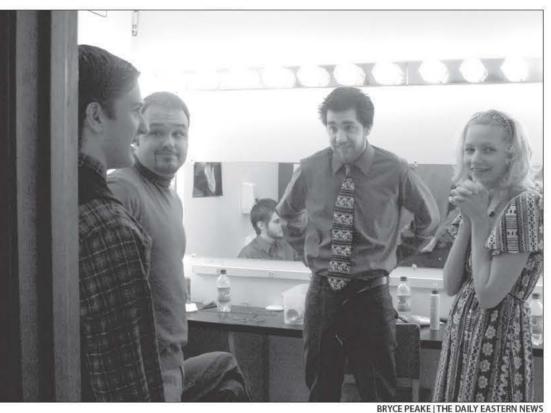
Act One of the play focused mainly on villains. For this act, the meaner the villain, the better.

Act One included scenes from "Doctor Faustus," "Treasure Island," "Night Must Fall," "Macbeth," "Dracula," "Othello," "Hadda Gabler" and "Imaginary Invalid."

Act Two changed the tone of "Nasty SOBs."

The second act featured comic villains for a lighter look at villains.

Act Two included scenes from well known performances such as "The Drunkard," "Tartuffe," "Chicago," "Fashion" and "The Maltese



Cast members of the Eastern production of "Nasty SOBs" prepare for the show in the Green Room of the Village Theatre in Charleston on Sunday afternoon. The play comprised a number of different scenes with notorious villains from works such as "Doctor Faustus" and "Macbeth."

Moroccan Goldfinch."

"It's nice to play someone who is so different from who you are," Murphy said. "There is a clear goal when playing a villain."

In "Doctor Faustus," she wanted Faustus' soul for damnation. "Doctor Faustus" was about a scholar who sold his soul to the devil for power.

"Imaginary Invalid" had Murphy stealing her husband's money. The story was about a rich older man marrying a younger woman.

"It was a more pleasant goal for the villain in 'Imaginary Invalid,'" Murphy said. Most of the portions of others'

plays were just acted out. However, "Dracula" was different.

Tim Tholl was the narrator for "Dracula," and as he read, the story was performed before the audience.

For "Othello," a character named Iago plays a villain. Iago told Othello his wife chose him and not Othel-

"For she had eyes, and she chose me Othello," said Iago, played by Brian Aycock.

While the actors in "Nasty SOBs" had to portray many different characters, the actors appreciated the challenge - especially if the challenge entailed playing a villain.

While "Nasty SOBs" appears to be one play, it is actually parts of many.

"Some of my characters are the

'bad guys' and create the problems, and a couple of my other characters are the victims in their situation, who have yet to discover that they are a victim," said Mariam Amr, a freshman theatre arts and communication disorders and sciences major.

Amr played John Hawkings in "Treasure Island" and Desdemona in "Othello."

Eisenhour said there is a different appeal to "Nasty SOBs."

"It's not just one play – it's segments from many plays, so if people don't like one segment, they'll like another," Eisenhour said.

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CAMPUS BRIEFS

The DEN wins 18 ICPA awards in Chicago

LOCAL NEWS

The Daily Eastern News won 18 awards at the Illinois College Press Association convention held Friday and Saturday in Chicago.

Editor in Chief Matt Daniels won first place for sports column about Eastern's 2007 football first-round playoff loss. Former Staff Reporter Marc Correnti won first place for sports news story about Eastern coaches and text messaging.

Former Photo Editor Jay Grabiec won first place in the feature photo category for a photo of a puddle outside of Old Main.

Second place in the news story category went to Associate News Editor Stephen Di Benedetto. Di Benedetto and former Campus Editor Katie Anderson won second place in the in-depth reporting category.

Former Verge editors Adam Testa and Kristina Peters won second in the entertainment supplement category. The staff of Dennews.com received second place in the online publication category for their work on Dennews.com.

Daniels, News Editor Nora Maberry and Sports Editor Scott Richey received second place in the category of multimedia reporting. Robbie Wroblewski, a staff photographer for the Warbler, took second place in the Shoot Chicago competition. The DEN also won two thirdplace awards and six honorable mentions, including an honorable mention in the category of general excellence.

Winter Olympic results to be released this week

Last year's Residence Hall Association Winter Olympics Winner was Andrews Hall. This year's winner will be announced later this week. The winner is determined by which hall has the most points by Saturday. On Friday night, about 30 people took place in the bowling competition. Participants Justin Myers and Brittany Kraft said the events were a fun way to meet others living on campus.

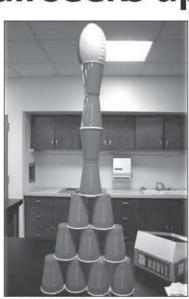
Ashley Hoogstraten, RHA diversity and programming coordinator, said the week's worth of events cost RHA about \$450.

- Compiled by News Editor Nora Maberry and Staff Reporter Tammy

CAMPUS | RESIDENCE HALLS

Thomas Hall seeks upgrades in basement

Sound system, black lights, new kitchen area, carpeting will enhance building



said. "We asked Hudson if it was possible or if it was not."

Lecik said Nicklaus and he had to weigh cost with the risk of vandalism.

"Mark Hudson let us know what Lecik said. "For the mural, we had we could and couldn't do," Lecik to buy paintbrushes and paint, and we also have to get the carpet."

> ed at the prospect of the events they will be able to hold in the new room.

Lecik said people are pretty excit-

By Heather Holm RHA Reporter

Thomas Hall wants to party. The residence hall's programming committee is considering adding to the party room in their basement.

We are adding a new sound system and black lights to make it into a real party room," said Dan Lecik, Thomas Hall council improvement coordinator and sophomore philosophy major. "It is called the 'party room' right now, but it doesn't really live up to that name at this moment."

The plan is also to paint murals and other things, like a crest and a Thomas Hall logo on the walls of the room, Lecik added.

The prospect of adding a projector screen will also be looked at.

The residence hall is also going to renovate the basement's room with a new kitchen area and carpeting for the room.

The associate resident director, Mark Nicklaus, and I are going to

BRYCE PEAKE | THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS Thomas Hall has plans to begin renovations to the newly dubbed "Party Room." With the changes, the hall's coordinators hope to bring more events to the room.

pick out carpets that we think would look nice down there," Lecik said.

Lecik and Nicklaus, a first-year graduate student and college student administration major, contacted Mark Hudson, director of Housing and Dining, and Mark Shaklee, associate director of Housing and Dining, to bring up their ideas.

'We brought up the idea of having bar stools, but it was shot down because it wasn't worth the risk of people taking them," Lecik said.

Nicklaus said they decided to do the renovations earlier this year because a lot of furniture was from the 1970s.

We wanted to make it more program-based so we could have more events go on down there," Nicklaus said.

Budget concerns also came up.

"The interesting thing is knowing what Thomas Hall can and can't do," Lecik said. "We had to let them know we were painting the mural and adding new stuff. Mark Nicklaus had to talk with Hudson and Shaklee to let them know what we were doing.'

The giant stereo is the biggest new addition, but budgeting for most of the additions was a different task, Lecik said.

"We were told that we could have these things for the room but that we would have to buy a lot of the stuff,"

Nicklaus said Thomas Hall could get a lot more programming with the new room.

"We could have more movie or game nights and other interesting events," he said.

Nicklaus said funding for the future renovations comes from programming funds in the Thomas Hall accounts.

"We are still working on the funds and how much it is going to cost us," Nicklaus said.

Lecik said he is unsure whether or not any other residence halls are doing similar renovations to their rooms

"I don't know if they really can do the same thing that we are doing," Lecik said. "Someone asked for the place that hasn't been updated in a long time, and the party room came up because it has old furniture and kitchen appliances - and it looks like it could have so much potential."

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Bailey

CORRECTIONS

On Page 3 of Friday's edition of The Daily Eastern News, Velisse Ammons Williams was misidentified. Williams wrote her book, "Candy-Colored Children," in one month. The book was published five months later with the help of Cedar Hill Publishing.

Also on Page 3 of Friday's edition of The DEN, Holly Roomiani Weinstein was misidentified.

The DEN regrets the errors.

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Other views on news **POLITICS VS. DEMOCRACY**

U. Oregon - Republicans have nothing to worry about; they are pretty much locked, stocked and ready to rock for this year's election behind the aging, senile horse that is John McCain. Democrats and/or non-Republicans are a little more unsure of who their horse might actually be. Is it the idealist in Barack Obama, or is it the expertise in Hillary Clinton?

The general public through this electoral season has spoken relatively loud and proud for Obama. The last time the country had an idealist in office that inspired us to change the world ended in a tragic public assassination in Nov. 1963. But damn, that Kennedy fellow sure was a stud. And you know what, Obama has a very "Kennedyesque" posture to him, but it's also pretty terrifying seeing as how it all ended. The point is, no one since Kennedy has rallied the young and the hopeful as successfully as Obama.

That being said, why is the Democratic race so effin' close? By all assumptions, shouldn't Obama have jousted Clinton from her high horse a long while ago? Well, Democrats, we are not as holy as we may all think because we created the superdelegate. As it currently stands, Obama has the general delegate lead, but follows Clinton when it comes to superdelegates.

Who cares though, right? Who will superdelegates "vote" for when they are essentially delegates for hire? The politician with the most money, of course! The simple fact that Clinton has courted more superdelegates than Obama, while he has more "regular" delegates, makes me trust Clinton a lot less. The outright corruption that is the superdelegate cannot be trusted, and you must fight the grain. Do the right thing: vote in another Kennedy and fight political corruption through an Obama vote. Kamran Rouzpay Oregon Daily Emerald

Drawn from the news | Dylan Polk



STAFF EDITORIAL Take a more active interest in the athletic director search

hree of five finalists for Eastern's new athletic director have visited campus.

But does anyone outside of the athletic department, or certain academic departments, even know?

Based on the half-empty rooms at the open interview sessions for the first three finalists, very few people might realize this fact.

To say attendance has been low at these open sessions is an understatement.

The first two sessions averaged about a dozen people, but nearly one-third of them were members of the media.

Attendance at the open interview for the third candidate dipped to about six non-media members.

Some members of the athletic department and

academic faculty have been present at the open interviews, but a student and community presence has been lacking. This should

not be the case.

A smaller representation from the athletic department at the open interview sessions is understandable.

They have other opportunities to meet with the finalists throughout the two-day visits.

But faculty, staff, students and community members have just one option to hear what the finalists have to say, and that is at the open interviews.

Some faculty members have attended the open sessions. In the session with Bruce Van De Velde - the first finalist to visit - academics and his interpretation of the balance between academics

OUR VIEW

• Situation: The university is offering open interviews for candidates wanting to fill the posi-tion of Eastern's athletic director.

• Stance: More people need to get involved with deciding who will be the new AD and should attend the open interviews.

tion, leadership and forming good relationships. Academics got little play with Burke.

She did speak of the importance of balance, but because fewer representatives of Eastern academia were there, the subject was not fully explored.

Jackman said she would like to attend as many of the open sessions with the five finalists as she possibly could, if her work schedule permitted.

The open interview sessions fall during the afternoon for the first-day visit and in the morning on the second day of the visit.

Having two options for people to attend the sessions ensures more people can make it to at least one.

But these open sessions are not just limited to faculty and the community. Eastern students have every right to attend and need to do so.

The Eastern athletic department's operating budget is \$3.4 million.

Eastern students should attend these open interview sessions because they contribute to that fund through their student fees. Part of that \$3.4 million is their money. They should have an active interest in how it is spent.



MATT DANIELS Chicago's not so bad after all

It's an imposing sight from the high-

way. Giant skyscrapers hover seemingly everywhere you look. Traffic is constant and steady, even at 2:30 a.m. last Friday morning.

The pace of life just seems faster than it does in Charleston, or any other city in Illinois I've ever visited.

And for a student from southern Illinois, this is all a little intimidating.

I was in Chicago this past weekend for the annual Illinois College Press Association convention. As I drove into the city in the early-morning hours this past Friday, the same thought hit my mind last year when I attended the convention.

How long until I leave this god-awful city?

I've never enjoyed my time in downtown Chicago. Growing up near St. Louis might have something to do with this feeling. But in my previous trips to the Windy City, I'd encountered rude people, bad drivers and just an overall disdain for the third-largest city in the United States.

I even wrote a column in this same space before Thanksgiving in 2006, lambasting Chicago and declaring that it needs to be a separate state from the rest of Illinois.

But something changed this year. I still dealt with rude people and bad drivers. That's almost a given in any major city in this country.

But all that seemed inconsequential. Walking around the city on Saturday afternoon, with the sun out, the wind not too brisk and just the constant bustle of many different people, made me think.

Why had I felt such loathing for this city for such a long time?

Whoever doesn't want to visit Chicago doesn't want to experience life. The cultural diversity is unlike anywhere else in this state and almost anywhere in the nation.

The architecture of Chicago's buildings is outstanding and surreal to look at. What I once thought of as big, ugly, view-obstructing buildings, were now seen as wonderful architectural masterpieces that everyone should be so fortunate to see.

I even got lost in the city on Friday night, trying to make it to my sister's

"Faculty, staff, students and community members have just one option to hear what the finalists have to say, and that is at the open interviews."

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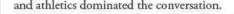
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Dr. Diane Jackman, dean of the college of education and professional studies, had several questions for Van De Velde concerning that very balance, and she said his responses fit with what is valued at Eastern.

She said Van De Velde's message was also similar to the letter Eastern President Bill Perry sent out on Jan. 15.

(Perry) wants (Eastern) to be known for high academics and professional development for students," Jackman said. "I'm hearing the same message (from Van De Velde), and I like to see that. I think that's a good consistency for us to have."

Even fewer academic representatives attended the next open session with Barbara Burke, and the direction of the interviews and her responses demonstrated the difference in the makeup of the audience.

She stressed the importance of communica-

CONTINUE THE DEBATE ONLINE Visit DENnews.com to read Kristy Mellendorf's fashion blog. "Dressing for your body type."

Time is running short. It is important that as many people as possible attend the remaining open interview sessions.

The fourth finalist, Jean Berger, will be on campus today (2:30 p.m.) and Tuesday (9:30 a.m.) in the Effingham Room of the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union.

Dr. Terry Wanless, the fifth and final candidate, will visit campus March 3 (3:30 p.m. in the Effingham Room) and March 4 (10 a.m. in the Martinsville Room).

Who is present at these meetings can change the direction of the interview. Don't be indifferent to the point where you believe one person cannot make a difference.

Go to the open sessions.

Ask questions.

Get answers.

Find out what you want to know about these candidates before it's too late.

"Wearing clothes that come in near the waist will help all women. This creates the hourglass shape that has been desired for ages. "

-Kristy Mellendorf

apartment in suburban Wood Ridge.

Normally, I become incensed when I get lost driving, but Friday night, I just went with it.

And I'm glad I did.

In a five-minute stretch, I saw a Croatian cultural center, an Islamic bookstore and a Cantonese restaurant.

I even had a tolerance for the backedup traffic the city has to offer. Instead of pounding my steering wheel with my hand and cursing under my breath, I chose instead to stare out my window at Lake Michigan or glance back at Millennium Park.

About the only thing that still made my blood pressure rise, though, was the sight of the space ship that landed on top of Soldier Field.

It took about an hour for me to navigate my way out of the city late Saturday afternoon. But as I left, a serene feeling overtook me.

My disgust for the city was gone - and I realized Chicago is not imposing at all. Matt Daniels is a senior journalism major. He can be reached at 581-7936 or at mwdaniels@eiu.edu



» Riot

FROM PAGE 1

Barry's ancestors were among those charged with murder as a result of the riot. Although he said the riot was horrific, he said something positive came out of it.

"It was a very costly way to resolve that conflict," he said. "But now it's become a common bond between the citizenry."

Barry said the bloody results of the riot showed the citizens of Coles County the cost of their division and made them reevaluate their feelings for one another.

He said the vehemence that once existed among area residents was slowly erased as a result of the riot, and many of these families who once despised one another are now either friends or related.

The riot may have been a bittersweet victory for Coles County, but it created a great deal of concern throughout the Union.

"At the time, the riot got a lot of national visibility," Barry said.

He said many government officials believed the riot to be a prelude to a general uprising among southern sympathizers in the north.

However, this belief was soon proven wrong.

The fear of general insurrection was not the only aspect of the riot that got national attention.

Arguably the most important figure during the Civil War era, Abraham Lincoln, was directly involved in the events before and after the riot in Charleston.

LINCOLN'S PROXIMITY TO

Lincoln made several speeches during his debates with Stephen Douglas while running for U.S. senator in 1858.

Some of these speeches rallied southern Illinois voters around Lincoln because of his seemingly antiabolitionist rhetoric.

Matthew Mittelstaedt, site manager of the Lincoln Log Cabin outside of Charleston, said Lincoln made many comments during the debates that were disparaging towards blacks.

One comment he made apparently made it clear that he did not support the abolition of slavery.

Mittelstaedt said Lincoln made the comments because he was try-

PETER BARRY AUTHOR ON REASON WHY HE STARTED BOOK

"I heard stories about it from my grandparents. As I got older, I got more interested in the history of the riot."

ing to win the election and needed the support of southern Illinois residents to do so.

"You can make the assumption that he was trying to curry some favor with voters," Mittelstaedt said.

Even years after the release of the outbreak of the Civil War, Lincoln came to the aid of southern Illinoisans once more after the Charleston Riot.

Barry said Lincoln pardoned all of the Copperheads who were arrested for their role in the riot and granted amnesty to rioters who escaped before being prosecuted for murder.

He said Lincoln's involvement in the aftermath of the riot was a result of his familial connections to the area and to the rioters.

Barry said because Lincoln's father and stepmother lived in Coles County and because some of the Copperhead rioters were related to him, the president felt the need to get involved.

Lincoln's need to become involved because of his family's ties with the riot mirrors Barry's need to write a book about the riot.

CONCEPT TO PUBLICATION

Barry said he grew up hearing about his ancestors' involvement in the riot and found himself wanting to know more about them and the riot.

"I heard stories about it from my grandparents," Barry said. "As I got older, I got more interested in the history of the riot."

Of the estimated 100 Copperheads involved in the riot, Barry's relatives were from the Fraizer, O'Hare, Swango and Hicks families.

Judging by what he found while doing research, Barry said these relatives ranged from young to old and described some of them as "ruffians."

Barry said he was first inspired to write the book five years ago when he was nearing his retirement as a professor at the University of Illinois. He said it seemed like a good way to combine the extra time he would have in retirement with his passion for history.

"I have a lot of interest in history, especially the mystery of what happened in the riot," Barry said. "The book was a labor of love more than anything else."

Before writing the book, Barry had three articles published in several historical journals, including the Journal of the Abraham Lincoln Association and the Journal of Illinois History.

Barry, whose academic field is agriculture and finance, said writing the book was "both exhilarating and nerve-wracking."

In order to become more comfortable with writing about history, Barry said he spoke with several history professors at the University of Illinois and at Eastern.

These discussions improved his confidence in his writing abilities and left him ready to make his mark on history.

"It made me feel more interested in writing and better about contributing something like this to Coles and Edgar County," he said.

In order to write the book, Barry consulted several local, state and national resources for information about the riot and his family's involvement.

He spoke with several different historical societies from around the area to get a better idea about the exact details of the riot.

He also examined the work of the late Charles Coleman, a history professor at Eastern who wrote extensively on the history of Coles County and the riot.

Barry also consulted the National Archives in Washington, D.C., to learn more about the national attention the riot received at the time.

Once all of his work culminated in a published book, the Coles County community received it well.

Barry visited several historical societies in Coles and Edgar counties when the book was first

TIMELINE

• Aug. 21, 1858: Abraham Lincoln begins anti-abolition rhetoric during debates with Stephen Douglas.

• Nov. 6, 1860: Abraham Lincoln elected president.

• Dec. 20, 1860: South Carolina secedes, the first state to do so. It will soon be joined by twelve others.

• April 12, 1861: American Civil War begins.

• Jan. 1, 1863: Emancipation Proclamation is signed by Lincoln.

March 28,1864: The Charleston Riot leaves nine dead and 12 wounded. Lincoln soon becomes personally involved in prosecution of rioters.
April 9, 1865: Robert E. Lee surrenders at Appomattox Courthouse, effectively ending the Civil War.
April 15, 1865: Lincoln shot and killed by John Wilkes Booth at Ford's Theater in

released to help garner attention for the book.

Washington D.C.

As a result, he said, the book has gained a good deal of attention throughout the area.

"It's amazing how word of mouth gets around," Barry said.

Interest in the book has not waned since its publication, and Barry is still in the area.

He attributes this continued interest in the riot to the integral part it played in Charleston's past.

Copies of Barry's book can be found at the Mary J. Booth Library on campus or at the Charleston Carnegie Public Library.

Anyone wishing to purchase a copy of the book should contact Barry directly either by phone at 217-356-8060 or by e-mail at p-barry1@uiuc.edu.

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» Nye

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Leah Pietraszewski, AB chairwoman, said because the money was specifically allocated for Bill Nye, the money would be placed back into the Student Fee Account.

"Due to the fact that it is now time for budgets, and the time to bring any additional allocations to the Apportionment Board has passed, there really aren't any options," Pietraszewski said. "UB Lectures did have some money left in their budget before the request, so they still have that money to work with if they so choose."

Baumgart said she and Kerch are trying to figure out what they can do with the amount of money they still have left in their budget without the allocation.

They are looking at several options, and Brinker said they are trying to get student feedback.

"I think we still might be in a little bit of a shock," Baumgart said. "It's hard to accept that this is happening. After all, we've been talking about it for so long, like it would be happening."

Kerch and Baumgart have been working on bringing Nye here since the beginning of November.

Brinker said because interest was so high among students, they are considering looking at dates next fall to bring Nye to campus. But that depends on whether or not funding would be available for next fall.

"I believe that there is a really good chance of Bill Nye getting another allocation," Pietraszewski said.

She said the response AB gave the UB lectures committee should be a good indication of what to expect in the future.

AB denied UB's original proposal and asked them to come back and ask for more money to let Eastern students receive free admission.

Kerch said he and Baumgart are doing their best see if Nye can come to Eastern in the future.

"We were really excited about the student interest, and we just want to ensure the students who are excited about it: We haven't forgotten about it," he said.

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'Eastern should throw events like this more often,' says attendee

By Josh Van Dyke and Kendra Kidwell

Staff Reporters

Alex Barrie was sure of one thing.

He and his friends should have arrived at the "Rock 'N' Bowl" much earlier.

Within 15 minutes of the event's start, there was already a waiting list for a lane.

Despite the wait, Barrie said he enjoyed the event.

"The free food is great," said Barrie, a junior pre-graphic design major. "Eastern should throw events like this more often."

During the 3 hours that Rock 'N' Bowl lasted at the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union Bowling Alley, about 150 people dropped by to knock down pins and socialize while listening to live music on Thursday night.

A single game cost \$1.50 per person. Live music was provided by local band Black 'N' Blue. ThroughJOSH NORMAN | SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY GRADUATE STUDENT

"You can't beat free food and cheap bowling."

out the night, the band played covers of songs from Guns N' Roses, John Mellencamp and more.

"It's music everybody likes," said Ashley McHugh, a sophomore music education major.

Brian Gallagher thought the band was a nice touch and said he enjoyed the low cost of the event.

"I like to bowl. It's a perfect way to start a Thursday night," said Gallagher, a junior communication studies major.

Normally, the bowling alley doesn't allow six people per lane. But the Union made an exception to accommodate the high number of people in attendance.

"I think it'd be fantastic if we got here earlier," said Jennifer Nedbal, sophomore dietics major, referring to having to wait for a lane to open.

With the sounds of pins crashing from start-to-finish and the seats around the score monitors constantly being filled, students said the event was exciting.

"You can release your tension,

enjoy yourself," said Dion Martorano, a freshman communications major.

Josh Norman, a science and technology graduate student, was attracted to the inexpensive cost of the event.

"You can't beat free food and cheap bowling," Norman said.

Sophomore Jacob Scheiwe also attended the event – but for different reasons.

"We don't want to do homework, so we're here," said Scheiwe, a hospitality management major.

The fact that the event takes place on the same year as the Union's 50th anniversary is not a coincidence, said Union Assistant Director Ted Hart.

"This is a thank-you (to the students)," Hart said.

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From left to right, sophomore corporate communications major Corinne Enning, senior English major Cachet Morris, junior family and consumer sciences major Chandra Golden, sophomore communication studies major Deminque Lobo and sophomore psychology major Cierra Howard were the contestants in the Miss Black EIU Pageant Saturday in the Grand Ballroom of the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union. Golden won the event at the 37th annual pageant.

» Pageant

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Tonia Pittman, resident director of Lawson Hall, said she came because she knew people involved in the pageant.

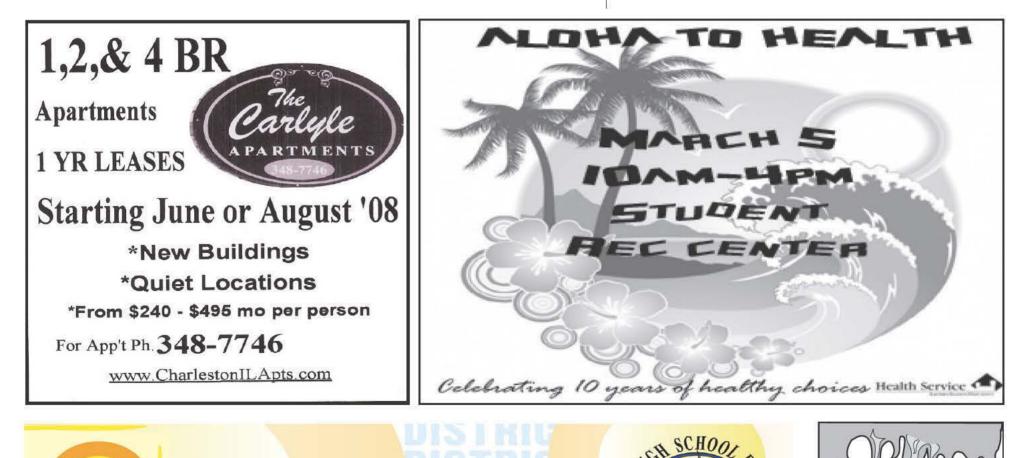
"I have a lot residents who are involved ... and a lot of students that I know who are in the pageant, so I just came to support them," Pittman said.

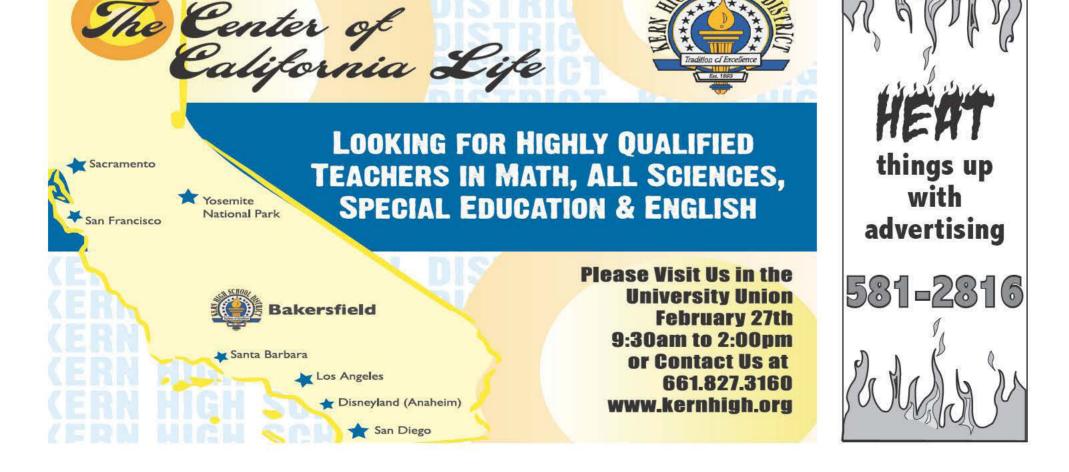
Reflecting back on the evening, contestant Cachet Morris said she

was content with her first-runner up status. But the highlight of the night for her was not the contest itself.

"(My favorite part) was getting pampered by my personal assistants. I was pampered the whole night," she said.

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CAMPUS | EVENTS **Chuck Vegas keeps students 'Up All Nite'**

Volunteers keep evening exciting from 8 p.m. 'til midnight

By Ashley Mefford

Senior Campus Reporter

With blackjack, roulette, craps and poker set up in Thomas Dining Center on Friday night, one might have mistaken it for Nevada's notorious city of sin.

But the name of the night wasn't Las Vegas.

It was "Chuck Vegas."

"Up All Nite Chuck Vegas," took place in Andrews Hall and Thomas Dining Center on Friday from 8 p.m. - midnight.

This was the second consecutive year Up All Nite has been held. Ever Up All Nite event featured Vegas themes. This year, the event was titled "Chuck Vegas" because a



JOHN BAILEY | THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS Guitarist John Rush covers a song by Stevie Ray Vaughn for the crowd during University Board's "Up All Nite" event on Friday night.

comedian who performed at Eastern called Charleston "Chuck Vegas," inspiring UB to change the name of the event. Andrew Hubbard, special events coordinator for UB, said he suggested the Vegas-themed idea.

University Board sponsored the event, and the Residence Hall Association provided volunteers.

"We wanted to outreach to different organizations," said Melissa Schaefer, UB chair.

Many of the card dealers were RHA members trying to get points for their specific halls. Jenny Kaplan, a senior biology major and RHA member, moonlighted as a blackjack dealer. This was Kaplan's second year of involvement with Up All Nite.

Stacy Fortin, a sophomore chemistry major, enjoyed her first time at an Up All Nite event.

Fortin played blackjack at Kaplan's table but made sure to visit the different card games offered during the rest of the night.

"I was jumping from table to table throughout the night. I was hooked on blackjack," she said.

Fortin won a \$25 gift card to Red Lobster.

Members of Epsilon Sigma Alpha also volunteered for Up All Nite.

Kim Cagle, member of Epsilon Sigma Alpha, has volunteered for the event for the past two years.

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ESA is a service sorority in the RSO division.

"Our main philanthropies are St. Jude's and Easter Seals, but we also do a lot of community service as well," Cagle said.

Melissa Schaefer, UB chair, said UB wanted to make Up All Nite better than last year by including a variety of different groups.

Alpha Sigma Tau sorority provided the servers for the night to promote AST and to acquire service hours. Members passed out refreshments and beaded necklaces.

Amy Baumgart, UB graduate assistant, said she believed many people came back this year because of the event's success last year.

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CAMPUS | PERFORMANCES

Wind Symphony, Concert Band event packs gymnasium

Only standing room available for final event of conducting symposium

By Nicole Pauga Staff Reporter

Gary Schulze drove about 60 miles to see the Concert Band and Wind Symphony performance. He said his son, Nicholas Schulze, practiced at least 10 hours Saturday as part of the preparation for the concert held Sunday in McAfee Gymnasium.

Eastern's department of music presented the "Something Old, Something New" performance as part of the final event of the 2008 Eastern Illinois University Conducting Symposium.

Conductor Milton Allen gave a brief history before each piece.

Timothy Mahr, a professor of

music at St. Olaf College in Minnesota, was a guest conductor at the performance.

The Concert Band, conducted by Jeffrey Steiner, commenced with "Cenotaph" and "An Original Suite for Military Band" and ended with "Hymn and Celebration."

The Wind Symphony performed a version of "English Folk Song Suite" and also performed the feature premiere "My Hands Are a City." "My Hands Are a City" was Jonathan Newman's tribute to the 1950s beat culture.

Allen said the best way to fully take in this song was to "close your eyes and listen to the colors."

Jenny Pucel, a freshman elementary education major and member of the Concert Band, said she loves to hear the collection of the different pieces out together.

"There is a lot of practice and effort put into this," she said.

The symphony performed in

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front of a crowd that overfilled the gymnasium's seating.

With all seats full, some audience members lined up against the wall to stand and watch the performance.

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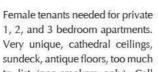
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MEN'S BASKETBALL | EVANSVILLE 63, EASTERN 55

SPORTS

Lacey, Purple Aces execute

Panthers will finish with most losses in program history

By Dan Cusack Sports Reporter

Evansville freshman guard Kavon Lacey took charge of the final three minutes to defeat Eastern men's basketball team in an ESPNU Bracket-Buster game Saturday night at Lantz Arena.

The Alton native scored six points in the final 2 minutes, 4 seconds to hand Eastern its 22nd loss of the season as the Panthers fell to the Purple Aces 63-55.

It is the most losses in Eastern's Division I history, breaking the mark set by the 2003-04 team and the 2005-06 team.

Both of those teams finished with 6-21 records.

The Panthers trailed the Purple Aces with less than two-and-ahalf minutes remaining, when Lacey beat an Eastern defender on the left side and made a tough lay-up, which extended Evansville's lead to four, 55-51.

Eastern responded when sophomore center Ousmane Cisse was able to tip in the ball after senior center Jake Bryne's missed a 3-pointer and cut the lead to two, 55-53.

Lacey delivered another blow with 53 seconds remaining when he knocked down a jumper from the far left side of the key and buried Eastern's chance at victory.

The Panthers (5-22) suffered another injury in the first half, making them switch their game plan.

Senior guard Julio Anthony left the game with 7:26 remaining in LINDIS

JOHN BAILEY | THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

Eastern senior forward Jake Byrne battles under the basket against an Evansville player. Byrne finished with 11 points as Eastern lost 63-55 on Saturday night in Lantz Arena.

the first half when he collided with an Evansville player while he made a pass which led a fast break.

MEN'S SWIMMING

Thursday, Friday and Saturday at Summit

1. Oakland, 1,050 points 2. Centenary, 556 3.

Western Illinois, 461 4. Eastern Illinois, 443

5. Indiana-Purdue-Indianapolis, 359 6. South

100 Yd. Breaststroke- 2. Showers, Thom-

800 Yd. Freestyle Relay- 2. EIU 'A'. 6:56.71

"Overall, I knew we were weaker in

Regency

the women's team," Padovan said. "They

did a good job. It's never a lack of effort.

Sometimes it's more good, bad or differ-

League Championships

Dakota State, 278

as, EIU, 52.45

Site: Rochester, Mich.

Anthony did not return to the game and sat at the end of the bench with a sling on his right shoulder in

WOMEN'S SWIMMING

Thursday, Friday and Saturday at Summit League Championships

1. Oakland, 1,023 points 2. Western Illinois, 568 3. South Dakota State, 482 4. Centenary, 431 5. Eastern Illinois, 398 6. Indiana-Purdue-Indianapolis, 324

100 Yd. Backstroke - 4. Nilsen, Laura, ElU, 59.40 seconds.

2:06.93.

Ross Meister can be reached at 581-7944

the second half.

"It forced a lot of people to do some things they don't normally do," said Eastern head coach Mike Miller. "It forced everybody to do a little bit more and forced us to use different combinations and different formations.

Miller said the loss of Anthony might have been the reason for inconsistent play in the final minutes of the game.

"Julio is usually our primary ball-handler down the stretch, and I think it got a little bit choppy because guys had to do different things," Miller said.

Senior guard Bam Willhite moved to the point guard position, and the Kalamazoo, Mich., native responded with a season-high 10 assists.

"It really hurt us when Anthony went out because I had to play the (point guard position)," Willhite said. "It changed up our game plan a lot, but we kind of killed ourselves on the defensive end of the floor."

Evansville junior guard Jason Holsinger led all scores with 14 points, but he was held to just 2-of-8 shooting from 3-point range. Holsinger is shooting 44 percent from beyond the arc this season.

Byrne led the Panthers with 11 points, and he has led Eastern in scoring the past four games. Cisse added 10 points.

The game was a seesaw from tipoff. There were 15 lead changes, and the game was tied eight times. Evansville had the largest lead of the game, but not until the end of the game (8 points).

Willhite said the inability to get stops was the reason the Purple Aces (9-18) were able to pull away.

TENNIS | WEEKEND RECAP

Eastern's victory extends its record

The Eastern women's team had

also been scheduled to play South

Dakota State on Saturday in Cedar

MEN'S BASKETBALL

Evansville 63, Eastern 55

PMMSVILLE (9-18) Garner 36 3-6 9, Van Tongeren 2:3 3:4 7, Lacey 4:6 2:2 10, Ely 5:11 2:3 13, Holsinger 4:11 4:4 14, Gomez 1:2 0:0 3, Couisnard 1:1 0:0 2, Granger 1:4 1:2 3, Hopf 1:1 0:0 2; Totals 22 4:5 1:5:21 6:3.

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Halffilme: UE 24-21. 3-pointers: UE 4-13 [Holsinger 2-8]; Eastem 4-13 [Four with one mode). Turnovers: UE 13 (Holsinger 4), Easten 13 (Two with 3). Fouls: UE 14, Easten 15. Techs: None. Ar 702.

"They were making their shots, and we could not match them," Willhite said.

Evansville finished 13-of-20 from the field in the second half.

"We really needed to get a stop," said Eastern freshman guard Tyler Laser. "We got beat off the dribble. It's about grinding down. You have to do whatever you can to get a stop."

Miller said his team was in a good position at the end of the game but needed to make one more play.

"All you can do is put yourself in a position to win games," Miller said. "The last five minutes, you have to be there - and we did that. I have been telling our guys we just need to make one more play. And with a minute left, we had to make that stop. We have to be able to make that play."

Laser said Evansville did not do anything different than he expected them to do, but the Purple Aces were able to execute against the Panthers.

The Panthers will play Jacksonville State at 7:15 p.m. Thursday at Lantz Arena.

Dan Cusack can be reached at 581-7944 or at dscusack@eiu.edu.

» Coach

FROM PAGE 12

"Overall, I think we did pretty good," Nilsen said. "We all just wanted to swim (well) because it was Ray's last meet and we wanted to make him happy and proud of us."

Nilsen set the program record in the 200-yard backstroke at the conference meet (2:06.93).

Senior Mollye Shanel finished fourth in the 200-yard breaststroke (2:28.66).



Falls, Iowa, but the match was canceled because of weather conditions. campus

Women remain undefeated The women's team will play its next The Eastern women's tennis team eked out a narrow win on Sunday match against Illinois State on Friday in Normal. Eastern won 4-3 Sunday against

The Eastern men's tennis team's lone match of the weekend against Illinois State scheduled for Friday in Normal was also postponed because of weather. The men (4-4) play Northern Illinois at 1 p.m. on Saturday in Rockford.

-Compiled by Staff Reporter JC Clark



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BASEBALL | WEEKEND SERIES Panthers drop three to start out

Late-game runs give Southeastern Louisiana three wins

By Scott Richey Sports Editor

Eastern's baseball team is still searching for its first win of the season after its season-opening threegame series at Southeastern Louisiana

The Panthers lost to the Lions 4-1 on Friday, 10-3 on Saturday and 8-5 on Sunday at Alumni Field in Hammond, La.

Eastern head baseball coach Jim Schmitz said the Panthers did not do several things well this weekend.

Eastern struggled with its smallball and bunting, but the Panthers defense didn't impress him, he said.

"It's real simple to explain," Schmitz said. "You've got to make pitches; you've got to make plays. We didn't make the plays."

Despite three home runs from three different Panthers, Eastern (0-3) was unable to hold onto its late lead Sunday against SLU.

Junior center fielder Brett Nommensen hit a solo home run in the first, and junior shortstop Jordan Kreke added a three-run home run later in the inning.

"They guy they had in there wasn't that sharp," Schmitz said. "We talked about taking advantage of it."

Sophomore left fielder Curt Restko popped out to second to start the game before Nommensen pulled his home run to right field.

Junior second baseman Jordan Tokarz singled next, and then sophomore first baseman Alex Gee reached on an error.

"There were two guys on when I came up, and I hit a hanging changeup," said Kreke, whose home run to left field came on a 2-0 count.

The two home runs gave the Panthers an early 4-0 lead, but the Lions (3-0) scored three runs in the bottom of the first inning.

Eastern junior right fielder Ryan Lindquist made a diving catch in the bottom of the third inning and followed with an opposite-field home run in the top of the fourth inning to give Eastern a 5-4 lead it would hold until the eighth inning.

The Lions scored four runs in the eighth and, by the time the inning ended, three Eastern pitchers had taken the mound.

Sunday's Game SE Louisiana 8, Eastern 5

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Key Inning: Bottom of the eighth Southeastern Louisiana's Xavier Qualls single to left field tied the game at 5, and he eventually scored on a wild pitch from Eastern pitcher Scott Foley to give the Lions a 6-5 lead.

Freshman pitcher Mike Hoekstra started for the Panthers and gave up four hits and four runs in six innings pitched. He retired 11straight batters.

Schmitz said he was pleased with Hoekstra's performance.

"It wasn't a feeling of 'I hope this guy's good' because they are all new," said Schmitz, who used six first-year pitchers this weekend.

Nommensen said Eastern's early lead helped Hoekstra gain a little extra momentum and said Hoekstra settled down after a few rough innings and pitched well.

Eastern will travel back to Louisiana to play Northwestern State for a three-game series starting Fri-

Saturday's Game SE Louisiana 10, Eastern 3

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Key Inning: Bottom of the sixth

Southeastern Louisiana scored five runs on five hits, with Xavier Qualls providing the big hit with a two-run home run to put the Lions ahead 9-3.

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Key Inning: Bottom of the sixth

Southeastern Louisiana's first two hitters were hit by a pitch and an error by Eastern catcher Richie Derbak allowed the Lions to push across the eventual gamewinning run.

day in Natchitoches, La.

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SOFTBALL | WEEKEND SERIES Offense, bats missing in Tulsa Festival

Eastern only scores four runs through three games to start season

By Kevin Murphy Associate Sports Editor

Eastern's softball offense went cold in its opening weekend.

The Panthers scored four runs in three games at the Tulsa Festival in Tulsa, Okla., and were shut out 8-0 Sunday evening against Tulsa.

"Each game had its flaws," said Easten head softball coach Kim Schuette. "Tulsa just out-hit us."

Senior second baseman Robyn Mackie had the lone hit for the Panthers (0-3), who lost in five innings. Mackie tripled to right field in the top of the fifth.

The hit bounced right in front of Tulsa right fielder Lauren Menke and rolled to the wall, which allowed Mackie to advance to third.

"I crowded the plate because (the Tulsa pitcher) had been throwing outside all day," Mackie said about her triple on a 2-2 pitch count.

play as freshman catcher Kiley Holtz lined out to right field. Tulsa turned a double play and caught Mackie in a rundown between third base and home. Eastern sophomore rightfielder Lauren Brackett then struck out swinging.

Tulsa (6-6) capitalized early in the game. Senior pitcher Ashley Robison (0-1) gave up four runs on four hits in the first inning. It is the first time in three seasons the Panthers have not won a game at the Tulsa Festival.

Valparaiso 6, Eastern 1

An Eastern player homered in the Panthers' second game of the season, but it was not enough to secure a win.

Sophomore left fielder Denee' Menzione hit the ball over the left field wall in the top of the fourth in inning, but Eastern lost 6-1 on Sunday morning.

"It was a good hit," Schuette said. "She has the ability to hit."

The Panthers had four hits in the loss. The Crusaders (1-2) finished with six runs on 10 hits.

Sunday's Second Game

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Jacoby gave up eight hits, four earned runs, two walks and struck out three in four innings.

N.D. State 6, Eastern 3

Eastern was scheduled to play two games Friday, but snow and ice postponed those games to one game Monday.

Eastern's second game of the tournament against Central Arkansas was also canceled because of the weather.

The Panthers did play one game Saturday afternoon against North Dakota State. Eastern lost to the

Bison 6-3. Eastern, however, would drop its first game of the season, 6-3,

Sunday's First Game Valparaiso 6, Eastern 1 RHE Inning by Inning EIU (0-2) 0 0 0 1 0 0 0 1 4 2 VALPO (1-2) 0 2 0 1 1 2 x 6 10 0

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Valparaiso put the game away with two runs on two hits and an error.

Saturday's Game

Inning by Inning								R	Н	E
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Anthony spent those 20 minutes on the bench with his arm in a sling.

Anthony's injury means more than just the potential loss of the team's point guard for the Panthers' final two games. It also means the Panthers will possibly play with only eight healthy players on the bench against Samford and Jacksonville State.

Anthony's loss will hurt the Panthers because he has run the point since Robinson was removed from the team - but at this point in the season, it matters little.

The Panthers (5-22, 4-14 OVC) are the fourth-worst team in the nation. They have already set a program high for losses in a single season. They were mathematically eliminated from the OVC Tournament several weeks ago and even after their blowout victory at Southeast Missouri on Feb. 14, the Panthers' role as tournament spoiler might be null and void.

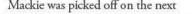
Eastern head men's basketball coach Mike Miller brings up the adversity his team has faced regularly, and he has praised the Panthers for working through it.

And they have worked through the tough times. The Panthers have not quit on their season. Each game is played with the same intensity and passion as the last - but at some point, the wins have to come.

Even if Eastern wins its final two games to move to 7-22 on the season, Miller's career record with the Panthers will be 23-63 (.267). The wins are not coming. Granted, it's tough to win games when the No. 1 scorer on the team is spending more time on the bench than on the court. Martin scored 17 points on 6-of-33 shooting (18 percent) in his five games in 2008. That's not the kind of production the Panthers expected from the 2007 Ohio Valley Conference Freshman of the Year. Martin played 43 minutes in Eastern's 83-80 overtime win against Murray State on Jan. 3. Martin missed the next two games but was back on the court one week later, missing all 10 of his shots in 17 minutes of playing time against Tennessee-Martin. Should Martin have played against UTM? Maybe not.

Martin looked like a player who hadn't shot a basketball for a week against the Skyhawks, but he also looked like he was still favoring his injured foot. Did playing hinder his comeback? We'll never know.

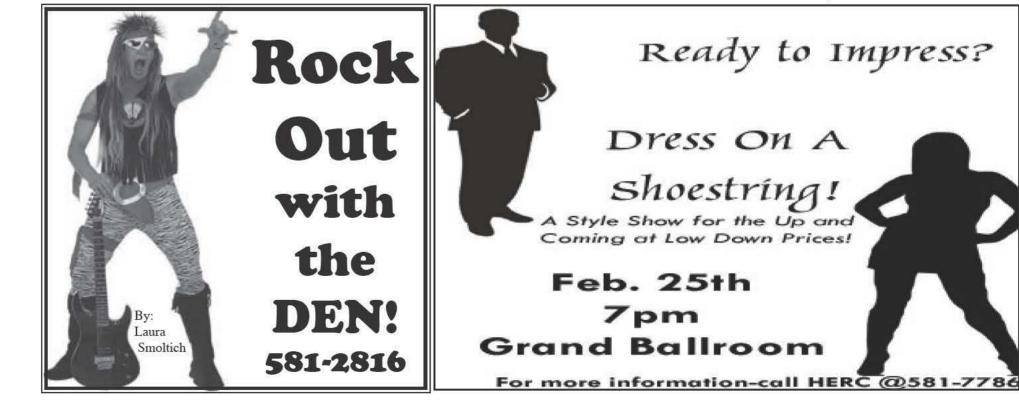
What is known, however, is the Panthers have two final games to end the season on a high note. Two wins are not out of the question, but they are unlikely with the potential of eight healthy players available.



Eastern junior pitcher Kathleen against North Dakota State.

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Ray Padovan

Eastern head men's and women's swimming coach Ray Padovan (above) was named the Summit League Coach of the Year this weekend at the Summit League Championships. Padovan will retire in June after 42 years as the head men's coach and 29 years as the head women's coach.

Here are three other highlights from Eastern athletics this weekend.

1. Chandra Golden — The junior hurdler won the 60-meter hurdles at the EIU Friday Night Special with a time of 8.65 seconds and won at the finish line, defeating Southern Illinois-Edwardsville's Deserea Brown – who ran the same time. Golden's time is the fourth-best in Eastern history.

2. Kevin Adamowski — The freshman distance runner won the 1,000-meter run at the EIU Friday Night Special in 2 minutes, 31.24 seconds. Adamowski's time is the 10th-best in Eastern history.

3. Men's Swimming Team — Five members of the Eastern men's swimming team were named to the All-Summit League Second Team. Junior Joe Ethington, senior Matt Latham, freshman Tim Mathieu and senior Elliot McGill were part of the second-place 800-yard freestyle relay. Junior Thomas Showers finished second in the 100-yard backstroke.

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The Eastern men's basketball team has been through nearly every imaginable adversity this seaSWIMMING | SUMMIT LEAGUE CHAMPIONSHIPS

Coach earns honors in Eastern's finale

Padovan wins award, while men finish fourth and women place fifth

By Ross Meister Staff Reporter

This Summit League Championships marked the end of swimming careers for several seniors as well as for long-time Eastern swimming head coach Ray Padovan, who has coached the men's team for 42 years and the women's team for 29 years.

Padovan was named the Summit League Coach of the Year to finish his career in coaching.

The Eastern men's swimming team finished fourth and the women's swimming team finished fifth at the Summit League Championships on Friday and Saturday in Rochester, Mich.

Oakland won both conference championships meets with scores of 1,050 for the men and 1,023 for the women.

"It was nice knowing that this was the last meet," Padovan said. "It was special. The Coach of the Year award was a tribute for a whole lot of years there. I think the majority of our athletes came away with a lot of improvement. We had a lot of life-best swims."

Junior Joe Ethington recognized how special Padovan's award was.

"(Padovan's) a great coach. He's very quiet but he's definitely able to help you in practice," Ethington said. "It was real exciting when Ray got Coach of the Year – the whole auditorium went crazy since everyone knows he's a great coach, (and)



Eastern head men's and women's swimming coach Ray Padovan reviews his notes at a practice earlier this season. Padovan was named the Summit League Coach of the Year this past weekend. The men finished fourth and the women finished fifth at the Summit League Championships.

he's one of the top coaches in the whole country."

Ethington was one of five Panthers to earn Second Team All-Summit League honors.

Senior Matt Latham, freshman

Tim Mathieu, senior Elliot McGill and junior Thomas Showers were also named to the second team.

Ethington, Mathieu, McGill and Latham finished second in the 800-

yard freestyle relay. This time was a

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season best for the event as the relay team finished in 6 minutes, 56.71 seconds. The previous season-best was 7:18.04. Mathieu swam in the event once all season.

Showers finished second in the 100-yard backstroke (52.45).

"The men did some great things in relays," Padovan said. "Probably our best overall performer was Showers, and it was a real great swim for him in the backstroke. I don't feel bad about how we performed."

Showers, freshman Matt Scaliatine, senior Tim O'Hagan and Latham finished third in the 400yard medley relay (3:31.27). Ethington, Latham, freshman Caleb Arthur, and sophomore Matt Crittenden finished third in the 400-yard freestyle relay (3:06.95). Ethington, Crittenden, Latham and O'Hagan finished third as part of the 200-yard freestyle relay (1:24.88).

The men came within 18 points of third-place Western Illinois. The Leathernecks finished with 461 points, while the Panthers finished with 443 points.

"We can't do much about it in the placing," Padovan said. "As far as how we swam, most of it was good. Nothing was 100 percent."

Sophomore Laura Nilsen was the top performer for the Eastern women's team.

She finished third in the 200-yard backstroke and fourth in the 100-yard backstroke.

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Records shattered in EIU Friday Night Special

By Dan Cusack Sports Reporter

The Eastern men's and women's indoor track teams used the EIU Friday Night Special to pile up personal bests and get prepared for the Ohio Valley Conference Indoor Championships.

Four women's track athletes set school records as six universities and a number of community colleges competed at Lantz Fieldhouse.

For the women's team, it was all about setting school records. Junior hurdler Chandra Golden won the 60-meter hurdles in 8.65 seconds. Golden's time was the fourth fastest in Eastern history and the fastest time in the OVC this season. Southeast Missouri's Whitney Thomas has the second-best time this season (8.80 seconds).



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ner Erin O'Grady ran a personal

best in the 800-meter run (2 min-

history and helped her finish second

finished third in the 60-meter dash

(7.69), which is the third-fastest

The time was sixth best in school

Junior sprinter Violet Nwordu

Junior sprinter Tarra Grant fin-

Freshman distance runner Kev-

ished second in the 600-meter run

(1:39.31), and Nicole Walcott was

in Adamowski won the 1,000-meter

third in the high jump (5' 3").

utes 17.44 seconds).

time in school history.

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run (2:31.24).

He led early in the race and never relinquished the lead.

"I wanted to establish myself, and I knew someone would come up and try to challenge me," Adamowski said. "It ended up being a perfect race."

Adamowski said he was hoping to run under 2:35 and was pleased with how he performed.

"I have had a tough couple of weeks, and it kind of just clicked for me out there," Adamowski said. "I just told myself this week it was time to go, and the meet was at home. This is a good momentum starter, and I just hope it can carry over to next week." Sophomore middle distance runner Wes Sheldon finished second in the 600-meter run (1:21.07), and sophomore middle distance runner Jason Springer finished fourth in the same event (1:21.78). Freshman middle distance runner Nic Kuczwara finished third in the 800-meter run (1:56.00), and senior hurdler Mike Embry finished fourth in the 60-meter hurdles (8.2). Both the men's and women's teams will look to repeat as team champions at the OVC Indoor Championships on Friday and Saturday at Tennessee State in Nashville, Tenn.

son a team could face.

Sophomore forward Justin Brock injured his foot early in season and has not played since Nov. 20. Junior guard Mike Robinson (removed from team), sophomore forward Bobby Jolliff (left school) and red-shirt freshman guard Brandon D'Amico (transferred to Cardinal Stritch) all were lost Dec. 17.

Sophomore guard Romain Martin injured his left foot during winter break and has played in just five of Eastern's 15 games in 2008.

Add Julio Anthony to the list. The senior guard from Charlotte, N.C., injured his shoulder Saturday against Evansville and sat out the entire second half.

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Golden said she was nervous coming into the meet because she had never beat Rend Lake freshman Brittany Castleberry. Castleberry finished sixth (8.89 seconds).

"I put together a complete race," Golden said. "I started to the first hurdle and in between each hurdle I just thought like a sprinter like (Eastern head men's coach Tom Akers) told me."

Golden said she was hoping to run 8.7 seconds in the event. Her performance in this event gives her much-needed confidence going into Eastern sophomore middle-distance runners Wes Sheldon and Jason Springer follow Rend Lake's freshman Boaz Lalang in the men's 600-meter dash during the EIU Friday Night Special on Friday in Lantz Fieldhouse. Lalang won the event in 1 minute, 17.75 seconds.

the conference championships.

"In the beginning of the season I had a down period running," Golden said. "I was running 8.9 seconds and nine seconds. Knowing I have an 8.6 in my belt before conference makes me feel pretty good."

Sophomore thrower Kandace Arnold had another solid meet. She placed second in the weight throw (56 feet, 8.50 inches) and third in the shot put (44' 3.25").

Her mark in the weight throw was the second best in school history and was the farthest mark in the OVC so far this season.

Sophomore middle distance run-

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WOMEN'S BASKETBALL	MEN'S BASKETBALL	SOFTBALL	SOFTBALL	MEN'S AND WOMEN'S INDOOR TRACK
Thursday vs. Jacksonville State 	Thursday vs. Jacksonville State 	Friday vs. Indiana 	Friday vs. Marshall 	Friday at OVC Championships
5 p.m. — Lantz Arena	7:15 p.m. – Lantz Arena	Noon — Chattanooga, Tenn.	2:15 p.m. — Chattanooga, Tenn.	3 p.m. – Nashville, Tenn.