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Bill set to fund higher education, MAP grants

By Analicia Haynes

Administration Editor | @Haynes1943

Another bill, seeking to fund higher education and social services, was debated in the House Thursday as legislators attempt to agree on funding before their session comes to an end

Emerging in the midst of several other higher education inspired bills, Senate Bill 2059, which will give Eastern \$40 million, promises to fund not only universities, but community colleges, the Illinois Mathematics and Science Academy and the Monetary Award Program grants.

The bill, sponsored by Rep. Barbara Flynn Currie, plans to derive the appropriations from the Illinois Education Assistance Fund, which is used to fund higher education and K-12 edu-

At the end of the fiscal year, the EAF is expected to have a surplus of \$600 million.

Along with SB 2059 are two other bills offering similar funding methods.

House Bill 5045, sponsored by Rep. Rita Mayfield, and HB 2344, sponsored by Rep. Mike Fortner, also aim to provide emergency funding for universities.

HB 5045 will fully fund Eastern, Chicago State, Western, Northeastern and Southern Illinois, unlike HB 2344, which provides a stopgap plan to fund all nine universities at 33 percent and MAP grants at 50 percent.

However, SB 2059 exceeds past both Mayfield's and Fortner's proposed plans and funds community colleges as well.

"The purpose of this bill is simply to provide emergency funding to get our universities through the summer with the hope that we will continue to work on a budget so that we can fully fund them," Mayfield, who is also a co-sponsor for SB 2059 said in defense of the bill during session.

SB 2059 will be discussed in the House again

But there is another bill (SB 2046) currently sitting on Gov. Bruce Rauner's desk that funds higher education and social services as well.

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A Splash in the South Quad



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Breanna Young, a senior applied engineering and technology major, gets soaked during the Splash a Zeta event in the South Quad on Thurs-

Reserves, staffing actions staving off further adjustments until June

By Cassie Buchman

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Because of furloughs, layoffs and salary deferrals, the university will be able to go until June 30, or the end of the fiscal year, without any further adjustments.

The university does not anticipate having any more layoffs, furloughs, or salary deferrals between now and June 30, but after the end of the fiscal year, Eastern will have to see what the state does to determine what actions it will take next.

Paul McCann, interim vice president of business affairs, said the school's reserves are allowing Eastern to stay open and actions the school has already implemented are working.

"What we're trying to do is get through June 30th with the current amount of money (we have)," McCann said. "We'll do everything we need to do, but we still need an appropriation."

Along with the furloughs, layoffs and salary deferrals, the university saved money on operations by buying less of certain supplies such as paper.

The money from tuition, such as that from summer enrollment, will help Eastern get through the next months.

McCann said how much it will help will depend on how many students enroll. "The more people that register, the more mon-

ey it is," McCann said.

He said there is no real difference between summer school and the fall semester.

"If everyone were to bring all their friends from home, it would be better than if they didn't bring them," McCann said. "It is our desire to

have as many students as we can."

McCann said the tuition money would be a big source of help as enrollment is a financial factor the school can do something about.

"We can't force representatives or senators to vote for an appropriation," McCann said. "We can sell EIU, say it's a wonderful place, that our students get diplomas, then get jobs."

The summer semester is split in between two fiscal years, with six-week courses ending in July and eight week courses ending in August.

Regis Gilman, a dean in the school of continuing education, also said summer enrollment helps the school be able to go without adjustments until June 30 and that so far, enrollment looked

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Student organizations celebrate Earth Day

By Jeff Coy

Staff Reporter | @DEN News

Various student organizations are planning an Earth Day celebration from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Friday in the Library Quad.

Stevie Momaly, the president of Earth Wise, helped put together a similar Earth Day celebration last year while she was a co-pres-

"I wanted to set up a tradition for Earth Wise," Momaly said. "All of these things will be free for the students to do."

Several of the activities available to participants include making crafts and jewelry out of used items such as metal, which Momaly has taken from old circuit boards specifically to make jewelry.

Momaly said she wants to promote the use of upcycling, a term used for turning garbage into something useful.

Earth Wise will also give out small plants as decoration as well as provide hacky sack and

"I want to get people hanging outside," Momaly said.

Momaly said she hopes the celebration event will spread awareness for the organization as well.

Earth Wise is a student organization work-

"It means a lot because now I get to share this with the campus and bring some light onto climate change."

Courtney Osborn, president of Students for Peace and Justice

ing to increase the environmental responsibility of Eastern and the surrounding community through spreading awareness.

Students for Peace and Justice will also be hosting an educational booth on the quad,

talking about different environmental issues and their effects such as higher temperatures, ice melting and rising sea levels.

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Local weather UB to host comedy act Friday

By Abbey Whittington Entertainment Editor | @DEN News

The University Board will be hosting another comedy act before the end of the semester.

The comedy show will feature Steve Hofstetter, a comedian, musician, author and columnist, at 7 p.m. Friday in 7th Street Underground of the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union.

Nia Douglas, the UB's comedy coordinator, said Hofstetter was different than other comedians because he is not afraid to incorporate controversial topics into his comedy act.

"(The UB) looks for people who stand out and do something different and funny within our price range and the comedian's availability and (Hofstetter) made the cut," Douglas said. "I actually like him because he is different and likes to touch on subjects people normally shy away from. I know he has had material on things like abortion."

Hofstetter is from New York City, N.Y. and now lives in Los Angeles, Calif., and became well known through his writing, publishing his first book when he was 15 years old.

The comedian tours at over 100 colleges and dozens of clubs every

According to his website, Hofstetter is one of the most booked comedians on college campuses and he is the original writer for CollegeHumor.com, is the author of three books and a contributor to many others, and has released five albums.

In addition to his comedy acts,

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> -Nia Douglas, the UB's comedy coordinator

writing and playing music, Hofstetter has written humor columns for the New York Times, SportsIllustrated.com and NHL.com.

Hofstetter has also featured on several TV shows including CBS' "Late Late Show with Craig Ferguson," Comcast's "Trial By Laughter," CNN's "Campbell Brown," ESPN's "Quite Frankly" and many more.

"(Hofstetter) takes things that you would not normally see as funny and turns them into a 'looking at the glass half full' type of thing," Douglas said. "Some (comedians) keep their stuff personal and some just have broad topics, and I think his style and what he does in his sets is a mix of different styles."

The UB will also have giveaways including a \$100 Nike gift card and two water Bluetooth speakers.

The speakers are small and light up and the water inside of them bounces when the bass plays in a



is a musician, author and comedian.

The comedy act will be free to attend, and there will be food including cookies, popcorn chicken

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5k run/walk to honor former student

By Cierra Bough Staff Reporter | @DEN_News

The Student Dietetic Association will host "Lauren's Run," a 5k run/ walk, at 1 p.m. Saturday at the Panther Trail in honor of Lauren Leffler, a former Eastern student who died on June 24, 2012.

Leffler was killed by a drunk driver when she was crossing the street with her friend in Blooming-

Leffler was 21 years old and was a member of the Student Dietetic Association and a family and consumer sciences major.

Leffler was never able to pursue her dreams of becoming a registered dietitian and had planned to graduate the following December with dietetic focus.

Lauren's Run is hosted by the SDA in her honor to raise awareness of drunk driving on Eastern's cam-

This is the fourth year SDA has sponsored the 5k run/walk.

Cheyanne Austin, the event coordinator for Lauren's Run, said she was asked by the SDA executive board last semester to take on the role of being the "Lauren's Run"

"President Lauren Dowd and Vice President Shae Hoffman told me about her story and it really moved me. It is important to raise awareness towards risky behaviors like driving while intoxicated and the tragic consequences it can bring," Austin said. "It was Lauren's a bachelor's degree in science with a friends and family that had the idea and make great friendships that can

to have a run in her memory."

The SDA also assists with food distribution and nutrition education materials at the food pantry, educates children participating in the Ashmore Mentoring Program, serves as a MyPlate Ambassador on campus, assists with the Healthy Cooking 101 free cooking series, and participates in the annual St. Louis University Dietetic Internship Forum.

According to the SDA's website, students in the group can make a difference in the nutrition, health, and wellness of peers; develop and enhance leadership and public speaking skills; learn skills in program planning and evaluation, marketing and promotion that can be carried on in academic experience last a lifetime.

The registration fee is \$12 and includes a T-shirt with pre-race registration; however, race day registration cannot guarantee a T-shirt.

Check in begins at 1 p.m. at the Panther Pavilion and the race begins at 1:30 p.m. on the Panther Trail and everyone is welcome to

Registration fees will go toward the Leffler Memorial Scholarship fund and Austin said the fund helps dietetic students further their dream of one day becoming a registered di-

"Friends and family look forward to the run every year," Austin said.

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What's Happening on Campus?

Asian Film Series: 3 Idiots | 6:00 - 8:30 PM Robertson Auditorium - Lumpkin Hall - Guest Speaker Mr. Duane Johansen

Earth Day Celebration | 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM Library Quad

EIU Wind Symphony | 7:30 PM

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Stroll off to celebrate dancing, encourage bonding

Staff Reporter | @DEN_News

The National Pan-Hellenic Council is coming together to create an end of the semester spring blast for the cam-

The NPHC stroll off is a small scale of the original step show. This event will be at 6 p.m. on Friday, April 29 in McAfee Gym.

Members of the NPHC organizations will come out and compete with one another to show off their epic routine skills. The NPHC created this event as a way for each organization to bond with each other.

This stroll includes both fraternities and sororities as a part of the show. Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Zeta Phi Beta Sorority and Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority are the Greek organizations people can expect to see performing at the event.

"The NPHC is having this event as a fundraiser to earn money for the necessities for next year's show," said JaLisa Smith, vice president of Sigma Gamma Rho.

"It is assumed that the stroll off means stepping, but in reality it is a dance routine that you can have fun with, there is no set formation."

Christopher Dorsey, the vice president of Omega Psi Phi, said the event is something people are looking forward to.

"Hopping is a different style that basically shows the enthusiasm we have for our fraternity," Dorsey said. "All of the emotions we feel inside are expressed through the moves that we do. We are actually the only organization who does not stroll, which makes us stand out from the rest."

Melanie Dyer, the president of Zeta Phi Beta, said strolling is not an easy task and it takes lots of practice. She said strolling is a way that takes her out of her comfort zone because she is not



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Sherry Gunn, a former Eastern student, performs a dance during the NPHC Step Show on Nov. 8, 2014, in McAfee Gymnasium.

"Strolling shows me that you could do whatever you put your mind to," Dyer said. "For us, it takes about a week or two to plan because we have to get our routines down packed and choose the right music for our perfor-

Darien Ghostone, the vice president of Alpha Phi Alpha, is the stroll master for the Alphas.

"The stroll master means you are the one that teaches, so it means a lot to me," Ghostone said.

The planning aspect for the NPHC stroll off is based on the organization and the way they pick up on their rou-

"It was very easy and quick to come up with, for the simple fact we already had a vision in mind," Dorsey said. "To make this vision play out well, all it took was the booking of the gym and a few flyers to get the ball rolling."

The event is set up to have two rounds. This includes a slow round and a fast round. The set up for the show is surrounded with chairs with each organization performing in the

"The way the order of performance is set up is based on the founding of each organization," Ghostone said.

"We are all about great things and this is one of the fun things that we do outside of our service."

It is up to each organization to come out and show off their skills in accomplishing these requirements.

The sororities are only allowed to compete against the other female organizations and that goes for the male organizations as well.

NPHC is hoping to brighten up people's day and it gives the individuals who are interested in Greek life a chance to see each organization, Smith

The audience can expect lots of en-

ergy and a good show.

We want the audience to feed off of our energy so we can all be 'turnt up," Dyer said. "This event gives a chance for people to see what we do."

An atmosphere of unity is what NPHC is hoping to create.

Last year around this time, the NPHC stroll off was re-introduced and it was a great outcome. This event is held every spring with hopes of it becoming a permanent tradition at Eastern.

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Paint dodgeball aims to liven up campus, relieve stress

By T'Nerra Butler

Multicultural Editor | @DEN_News

Paint covered foam balls will be splattered across the South Quad in Taylor Hall's Paint Dodgeball activity 1 p.m.

At the beginning of the fall semester, and end of the spring semester, for the past couple years, Taylor Hall has brought the activity to the South Quad.

Aubrey Schuh is the historian on Taylor Hall's executive board. She said the hall is known for hosting outdoor activities for students to participate in on the quad.

Taylor Hall tries to have as many activities outside as possible to take advantage of the weather, Schuh said. She said a majority of the time students are on campus, it is during the colder months, so they try to make use of the warm

Schuh said upon her arrival on campus, paint dodgeball was one of the first events she had partaken in.

"It's a good way to meet people when you first get on campus," Schuh said. "And doing it at the end of the year brings the people you've met together to end on a good note."

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Hall, said reaching out to the other halls in the South Quad shows that Eastern is a close-knit community.

"With numbers of students dropping, it's good to reach out to the other halls and keep who we do have intact, and to keep participation up," Thomas

The other halls involved in the festivities include Lawson, Andrews and Thomas. The different halls will be separated by colored bandanas, and team up.

Schuh said the hardest thing about planning this event was the communication between the halls. She said they also

"You really have to be vocal with the other halls for an event like this," Schuh

Thomas said although Taylor focused their outreach on the South Quad halls, everyone is welcome to join in on the

If supplies and weather permits it, Thomas said paint dodgeball could go on well after 3 p.m.

Students looking to join in should wear clothes they do not mind getting dirty, even though the paint provided will wash out easily, Schuh said. She said Rob Thomas, the treasurer for Taylor had to reserve the quad for the dodge- it may even get a little muddy, so people

should dress accordingly.

"Everybody loves to get a little dirty," Schuh said. "It's really just a good time, and you don't have to worry about everyday problems."

Thomas said people are going to be cooped up in their rooms for the next week, preparing for finals. He said this provides a stress reliever for the students and a bit of fun before tedious studying.

'It's not every day that you can get balls filled with paint and throw them at each other," Thomas said.

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Mackenzie Freund

Don't let fear hold you back

They always say "never let the fear of striking out keep you from playing the game," and boy are they right.

It also goes for the fact that the little things should not be the most bothersome in your life.

I know that when it comes to the last couple of weeks in the semester, most of campus is feeling the stress from the pile of assignments that have been staring us down.

Why should we be afraid to go out and do something, or let one little let down keep us from pursuing what we want to in the future?

As students, probably one of the most stressful things is balancing school, work, sleep and a social life. On top of that, you have the process of applying for internships and jobs.

I know there are different positions I could potentially apply for in student organizations, and I see that I have the qualifications for most of the positions, but when I see the positions, I am worried that I am not good enough.

It goes for other positions as well, whether it is the executive board of the organization you are part of, or it is a scholarship you are thinking of applying for.

The fear is a natural response to the human psyche. The thing to remember is not to let this fear take over your life and affect what it is that you want to achieve.

The other side of things is the discouragement of not receiving something you wanted.

The truth is, the universe does not always turn out the way you want it to, whether it is wanting a promotion at work or wanting the state to pass a budget that can save the school.

Just because you don't get those things, or those things you thought would happen didn't, it doesn't mean that you should stop doing what you're doing.

If you didn't get the position you wanted, go for a different one.

If the state doesn't pass a budget, move to

Idaho. At least they have potatoes. If you let these small let downs rule your life or drive you crazy, what will end up happening in the real world? Being in college is just a way to introduce us to responsibility and work, while charging up \$20,000 per year to learn it. Is it worth the stressing over the little things?

It isn't. No matter the problem, position or task at hand, it is not worth the stress that comes with fear or disappointment with what could or did happen.

If it's in the past, let it go and move onto the bigger brighter future you have. If it's in the future, suck it up and go for the opportunity.

After all, you never know what will happen when you try, and if one door closes, another one opens.

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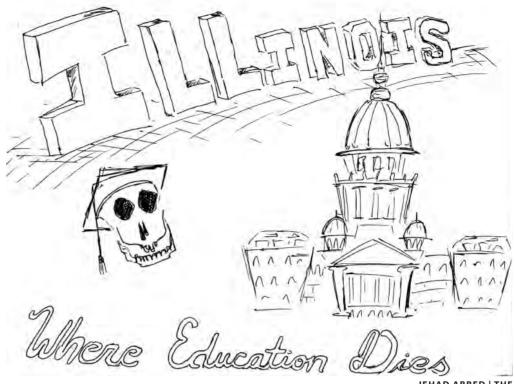
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Staff Editorial

Appreciate, help take care of the Earth

Earth Day is today, and it is important for everybody to take an interest in it.

At The Daily Eastern News, we encourage everyone in the community to embrace the

Throw away your trash instead of just leaving it out.

If something needs to be recycled, actually take the time to recycle it as opposed to throwing it away in the trash.

We all share this planet, and it has to be maintained through our lifetimes, our children's lifetime and their children's lifetime.

While we are here, yes, we have a responsibility to maintain the earth, but do not take Earth Day as just a big spring cleaning ses-

Take time out of your day to become acquainted with someone new and be a friend to someone in need.

Let's respect the Earth as a whole, and also make an effort to get along and spread peace because there is no Earth without inhabitants.

All of the friends, family, acquaintances and even enemies make up the Earth.

Without the people, the Earth is nothing. So, we should take a moment to be thankful for everyone on this planet and not just the planet itself.

Earth Day should be more focused on the love and respect of people and our mutual connection to the Earth because we all

All people contribute to the manipulation and pollution of the land, because the surface serves as a platform for our entire way of life.

We have a planet that holds the keys to all of our necessities.

There are fresh bodies of water to drink from, and the land that possesses the ability to plant and grow food.

If properly taken care of, the Earth can take care of its inhabitants.

However, if those on Earth do not care about one another or enough to take care of the planet, it could become easy to let Earth slowly wither away and become and desolate wasteland that does not create life.

By no means does this mean the end of the world, but by not taking the time to educate yourself about the planet, we run the risk of doing something that could hurt us all in the future.

Be aware of your environment and understand the planet is a living and breathing

The planet should be nurtured because it is a delicate thing, and it should be treat-

So in celebration of Earth Day, we invite you to recycle and learn about the planet and which you live.

Plant a tree if you can and help breathe more life into the world.

It is very important that everyone should understand that we can only live as long as the Earth is living. The Earth is us and we are the Earth.

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

Sean Says: Try to stay focused at the library

So lemme tell you this. This is the worst time of the year for everyone.

We're all doing our final projects, writing final papers, and we need to start studying for finals. But this is the time of the year where you need

to be most focused because if you aren't, it can come back to bite you. Thursday afternoon I didn't have any class-

es so I thought I would utilize all that time to finish my project for my sports geography class, start reading a 20-page article and begin writing my six-page essay.

I got the project done because I was working alone and had no distractions, but man did I drop the ball on reading the article and starting

The reason was: I was really distracted. The distraction was, I went to Jimmy Johns to get my \$1 sandwich, which was not a bad idea. It was actually one of the better decisions I made Thursday.

The Jimmy Johns sandwich was really good, and I hope you took advantage of the deal they had going Thursday afternoon.

But the problem was that I went to the library with two of my friends, and I couldn't stop talking to them.

I spent two hours in the library and got none of the work done. The paper is due Monday, thankfully, but I

would have much rather had the weekend to relax especially because I'm going home.



Sean Hastings

I'm not a bad student. I have an A in the class, so it's not like I am slacking to do my work.

It was just that I was not focused on anything

Going to the library with my friends would not have been a big deal if we were all working on the same thing where we could help each other out. But we were all working on three completely different subjects.

We talked about everything from hanging out at my friend house to different types of majors and how were are looking forward to the sum-

People kept Facetiming and getting phone calls so that was an easy thing to talk some smack about.

We also just kept joking about how distracted I was and how "angry" I was getting about

having to do my homework, and how I have not even started reading the article. It was quite comical for them.

Even though I was a complete distraction to myself by talking so much, I prevented them from doing their work as well. But I do not feel too bad about that because they were talking just as much as me.

Another big distraction was that the Blackhawks were playing their elimination game against the St. Louis Blues Thursday night, so I was even more focused on that rather than the task at hand.

That was the biggest priority for my Thursday in all honesty. I am a die-hard Blackhawks fan, but they sure do a good job of distracting me from everything else I have to do. I will drop just about anything to make sure I can watch the

This is the most crucial time of the year, and it can make or break your GPA and only you have

The lesson I really learned Thursday was: try to avoid going to the library with friends if you can. You'll always want to be talking to them.

Second: just eliminate any other distraction, and just start getting your work done.

Hope your weekend is better than mine, and good luck the rest of the way.

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"We do get students who come from community colleges, first time graduate students with no degree," Gilman said. "A lot of students are coming in. Students who work at Eastern are coming back, new students are applying."

Gilman said the summer courses are drawing students to Eastern, so she agrees with McCann when he says they are going to be able to use that tuition.

"(People) are realizing that EIU is still here," Gilman said.

Gilman said enrollment can change every day, as people are still able to register for summer classes.

As of Thursday, they had 2,119 students enrolled. 2,387 students were enrolled around this time last year. These numbers change all the time, however, as students are registering every day and these numbers are expected to increase.

Music, family and consumer sciences, and communication disorders and sciences are among other programs that have not registered yet.

Things such as the weather and how students' computer is working can affect whether or not they register, Gilman said. "Is there something else you would rather do than register," Gilman said.

Students can also go to a summer institute as freshmen, and conferences and camps during the summer raise revenue as well.

Gilman said by opening up programs to students in the summer who might otherwise have waited until fall, their tuition would start in the summer as well.

Off-campus cohorts that have not registered yet help with this as well.

Some reasons students study at Eastern in the summer include the transferability of the credits, convenience, to catch up on classes and credits they still need or even take classes with certain professors.

"We need to promote that more, so students realize in the summer just as in the fall and spring you have the opportunity to be at a university that is different than being in a community college," Gilman

A focus the school of continuing education has had is on bringing back adult learners. Having more online courses has helped bring in students as well.

While Eastern continues to wait for it's needed appropriation, several bills are being proposed to fund higher education.

HB 5045 and HB 2344 are asking for emergency funding for higher education from the Education Assistance Fund, which pays for both K-12 and higher education.

HB 5045 only asks for funding for Eastern, Chicago State University, Western Illinois University, Northeastern Illinois University and Southern Illinois University.

By the end of FY16, the Education Assistance Fund will have more than \$600 million.

Kevin Shoeben, the deputy director of fiscal affairs and budgeting, said the Education Assistance Fund is just another revenue source at the state's disposal, and that most of the appropriations four public universities does come out of the Education Assistance Fund.

Illinois has two funds from appropriations for higher education come from, General Revenue and the Education Assistance Fund.

The Education Assistance Fund and state general revenue funds are used interchangeably, depending on the amount in each fund, Shoeben said.

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Dollar Day



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A Jimmy John's employee takes the orders of Brody Wilt and Cassidy Webb, both junior sociology majors, Thursday during Customer Appreciation Day, when Jimmy John's had \$1 sandwiches. The two were toward the end of the line, which was at the back of the building.

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The booth will have statistical facts as well as large domino props to express these dangers.

The organization will have free Fair Trade coffee handouts as well.

Courtney Osborn, the president of Students for Peace and Justice, said this is the last Earth Day celebration she will attend on campus.

"It means a lot because now I get to share this with the campus and bring some light onto climate change," Osborn said.

Students for Peace and Justice

focused on environmental climate change this semester, Osborn said.

The student organization works to spread awareness to environmental and social justice issues.

In the past, the organization focused on other issues such as human trafficking, Fair Trade sales, and immigration.

Momaly said trees are being used as a theme for the holiday and students can promote Earth Day by taking pictures of themselves hugging a tree and posting it to their social media sites with the "#huga-tree."

The Geoscience Club will have an Earth Day celebration bake sale as well.

On Sunday, Students for Peace and Justice will continue the Earth Day Celebration and show "The Lorax" and talk about environmental issues with children.

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CAA discusses admission requirements, new courses

By Abigail DeglerStaff Reporter | @DEN_News

The Council on Academic Affairs voted on several revised courses as well as new courses for the academic catalog.

Marita Gronnvoll, the chair of the CAA, also informed members of the updates to the admission requirements that ensure the university is upto-date on state requirements.

SOS 2400, Introduction to Teaching Social Studies and SOS 3400, So-

cial Studies Teaching Methods, were the first items to be approved with minor revisions.

According to the rationale for adding SOS 2400 as a new course, more material was added to Social Studies Teaching Methods as a result of the increasing demands for pre-service teacher education.

The demands include implementing Common Core methods and the adoption of the Teacher Performance Assessment.

"This course is also designed to al-

low earlier departmental contact with teacher candidates and to aid in retention of students," the rationale read.

The revisions for the courses also included a one-credit hour introductory class before entering a teacher planning practicum and a combined lecture lab for the one extra credit hour.

Among the revisions, Gronnvoll said, there needed to be a correction to the course description in a psychology course, PSY 4590, which was approved by the CAA in January.

BUS 3200, International Business, was approved but revisions to the already revised course proposal would need to be made.

CAA member Stacey Ruholl brought up a wording issue on point five and advised it be made clearer for students and faculty.

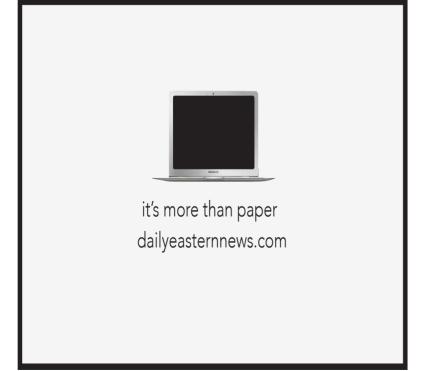
BIO 1500 General Biology and BIO 1550G General Biology II were both approved with revisions, which included course description changes.

Gary Bulla, associate chair for the biological sciences department, said

the change was necessary because most other schools in the state had two general education courses in biology for introductory students and Eastern only had three.

BIO 4920 Medicinal Plants, a revised course proposed for online was approved but with revisions to the cover sheet and the first part of the course.

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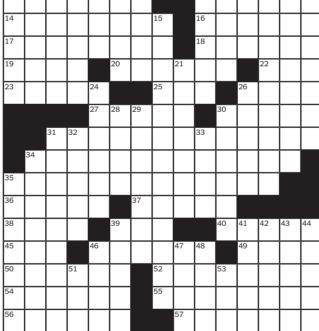
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Freshman ready for OVC championship

By Maria Baldwin Staff Reporter | @DEN_News

Freshman Abby Carpenter said she wants an Ohio Valley Conference championship for her team more than anything.

"Conference is this weekend, and it decides it all," Carpenter said. "We're looking to win it; we've been competitive with every team we've played. We're the fourth seed now but every match we've lost it's just been by one match."

Eastern has a chance to win it, as the team has competed well with their fellow conference contenders all season.

Recently, the Panthers lost by a close 4-3 margin against Eastern Kentucky and Southern Illinois-Edwardsville.

"The top four teams are all the biggest competition, like Tennessee-Martin, SIU-E, and Eastern Kentucky," Carpenter said. "We've all be beating each other all season in conference matchups. Tennessee-Martin is the No. 1 seed, and we will be playing them in the second round if we get past Austin Peay."

Carpenter had a strong showing against Southern Illinois-Edwardsville earlier this season when she brought in a victory with a strong 6-3, 6-0 outing from the No. 6 position.

Against Belmont, Carpenter had a comefrom-behind three set victory 2-6, 6-2, 10-4.

Going into the conference championships, Carpenter has an overall record of 7-2, and is 5-1 in the Ohio Valley Conference.

As for Eastern, they are going into conference play with an overall record of 13-7, and an Ohio Valley Conference record of 7-3.

Eastern is in good shape heading into the OVC Championships based on their performances last weekend against Morehead State, winning 7-0.

Carpenter had a game to note, as she recorded a two-set sweep at the No. 6 spot defeating



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Freshman Abby Carpenter defeated Belmont's Mical Johnson 2-6, 6-2, 10-4 in singles play on April 1 at the Darling Courts. Carpenter accumulated a 7-2 overall record during the regular season.

Morehead State's Lindsey Wild 6-0, 6-0.

"They were tough matches last weekend," Carpenter said. "I did well and I think our whole team did well; we fought every match and we had good attitudes during. Everybody fought their hardest in their matches and we only lost by one match but what I need to work on is making less errors in the beginning. Overall, everybody did really well and we plan to take that momentum into conference."

The Panthers have been working hard in practice, Carpenter said, and one might even notice their practices look like matches against each other every day.

'We work a lot on competing with each other at practice," Carpenter said. "We work a lot on skill development too, and different days we will work on singles or doubles play. Every day is different really, but leading up to a match we work

Even on the days leading up to big matches on the weekends, Carpenter said the intensity of the practices does not slow down.

"The day before a big match we will usually play against each other at practice to get into that mental mindset to work on what it will be

like over the weekend," Carpenter said. "We don't take it easier at practice, we actually start to compete more."

Adjusting to the higher level of skill that she saw in her first couple of matches is what Carpenter found the most difficult in her time adjusting to life as a Division I athlete.

"In high school, not every match would be a good match; sometimes I would be playing someone at a different level than me," Carpenter said. "Now, every single match I play is going to be a tough match because everybody's good at playing tennis."

Carpenter said what brought her to Eastern was the tennis program, as it has been known to be a program on the rise.

"I really liked the tennis coach," Carpenter said. "Eastern isn't too far from my house, only like two hours away. I really liked the campus size too, but I mostly came here because the tennis program has done well, and the girls on the team were great."

When it comes to her goals for the rest of the season, Carpenter said she takes it day-by-day and match-by-match.

"I just want to improve the best I can," Carpenter said. "I also want to do well academically. For conference, I just want to play the best I can, and I would love the team to win conference. We have a real chance of winning."

Having started playing tennis competitively at age 10, Carpenter has had experience and says she is ready to see the level she can take her game to in her next three years at Eastern.

"My favorite part about tennis is going out there and getting to compete," Carpenter said. "You can prove yourself on the court and show everything that you've worked for all year and it's also an individual sport, with a team aspect."

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seed, faces Austin Peay Tennis team earns No.

By Kaitlin Cordes

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The women's tennis team begins Ohio Valley Conference tournament play Friday with a first-round match against Austin Peay, the No.

The Panthers finished the regular season 13-7 overall and 7-3 in the OVC, earning them the No. 4 seed in the tournament.

The two teams' March matchup resulted in a close 4-3 win for Eastern.

The Panthers are also 1-1 all-time against Austin Peay in the tournament.

The women's team tied the school record of five back-to-back OVC tournament appearances dating back to the 2012 tournament.

The 2001-2005 teams had previously held the

record. However, during that four-year span, the top eight teams qualified for the tournament as opposed to six today.

This year's tournament appearance will also mark the fourth consecutive appearances for seniors Ali Foster and Hannah Kimbrough.

Foster holds the fifth all-time spot in career wins and maintaining a constant winning percentage going into the tournament.

Foster has posted 49 wins overall and has had a .710 winning percentile over her four-year ca-

Foster and her doubles partner junior Kelly Iden were undefeated in regular season conference play posting eight wins.

Kimbrough goes into the tournament with second all-time career wins from both singles and doubles.

Sophomore Grace Summers will also look to add more wins to her on-going career as she finished the season with 18 wins, putting her at the seventh all-time spot. Summers also went undefeated in conference play in singles and dropped just one doubles conference matchup with her partner Kimbrough.

Eastern is 15-18 all time in OVC tournament

Last season's champions, the Murray State Racers, are ranked at the No. 6 seeding.

The 2015 championship win marked the second-straight victory for the Racers; they toppled Eastern Kentucky 4-2 to seal the tourna-

The Panthers ended their 2015 conference play in the semifinal round, losing to Murray State, 4-0.

Tennessee-Martin sits at the No. 1 seed with a 9-1 record in conference.

The Skyhawks will face the winner of Eastern's matchup in the semifinal round on April

Southern Illinois-Edwardsville is ranked No. 2, also with a 9-1 conference record.

The Cougars have a bye in the first round and will take on the winner of the Murray State matchup with No. 3 Eastern Kentucky on Sat-

The winners of the semifinal matches will compete in the championship round on Sunday. All of the weekend's matches will begin at 2 p.m. on their respective days.

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She has six doubles on the season.

While the hitters for the Tigers have seemed to get the job done at the plate, the pitchers have really struggled to not give up runs. The Tigers utilize three pitchers who have combined to

give up 248 earned runs.

Eastern pitchers Wireman and sophomore Michelle Rogers have given up a combined 142 runs in 252 innings pitched.

ERA of 5.79 with a record of 4-19. She has handled a majority of the pitching with 119.2 innings pitched.

Eastern and Belmont will be playing at noon Lauren Woodard of Tennessee State has an and 2 p.m. on Saturday. Eastern and Tennessee

State will square off at 1 p.m. and 3 p.m. Sun-

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Panthers set to host Belmont for 3 games

By Jonathon Montgomery Staff Reporter | @DEN_Sports

An extra-inning win Wednesday against Illinois College snapped the Eastern baseball team's losing streak and the Panthers resume conference play this weekend at home.

The now 6-31 Panthers will take on the 20-16 Belmont Bruins in a three-game stint at Coaches

With the Panthers ending an overall losing streak of nine games, they look to build momentum and earn a few extra wins in the Ohio Valley Conference. The Panthers are currently 1-14 in the conference with their last win coming against Murray State April 3.

As for Belmont, they come into the weekend series owning a 9-6 conference record. This includes a series sweep of Tennessee-Martin during the first week of April in which the Bruins tallied 40 runs in the three-game series.

However, Belmont is currently riding a threegame losing streak heading into the series in Charleston. Two of those three losses were onerun, ten-inning affairs against fellow OVC member Austin Peay and Western Kentucky.

The Panthers may be without some players this weekend due to several injuries. Junior Michael McCormick is dealing with an injury and red-shirt senior Matt Wivinis will not be available to pitch until Sunday.

Senior Brendon Allen is the Panthers' starter for game one of the series against the Bruins on Friday. Allen's last start came against the Redhawks of Southeast Missouri where he allowed nine earned runs on eight hits while walking four batters in five innings of work.

On the season, the right-handed pitcher has accumulated one win to go along with four losses and a 7.65 ERA with eight starts on the mound.

Game two's starter for Eastern is junior Chase Thurston. Thurston comes into the series winless with four losses and two starts on the mound under his belt. During his last start against Illinois, Thurston went five innings, allowing three earned runs on seven hits.

Wivinis is scheduled to take the mound for the Panthers on Sunday.

In his last start against Tennessee Tech, Wivinis went seven innings and allowed three earned runs with two walks, but managed to strike out eight Golden Eagle hitters. On the season, Wivinis is first on the team with 46 strikeouts and one win in relief against Illinois College to go along with seven losses in 12 appearances on the mound this

Eastern's bats are looking to step up and silence the pitching prowess of the Bruins, who come into the series ranking third in the conference in batters struck out. The hitting duo of sophomores Joseph Duncan and Cale Hennemann are seemingly the main threats for Belmont if the Bruins intend to raise their current strikeout total by the end of

Overall, Duncan has collected 47 hits and owns a .311 batting average this season. After Wednesday's game, the centerfielder has notched 10 base hits in his last five games.

Hennemann is still atop the list among Panther starters with a .331 batting average for the season. The sophomore is also tied with Duncan with 47 hits and leads the squad with 11 doubles and 27 RBIs, which includes the walk-off single against Illinois College Wednesday.

For a vital contribution among the hitters, Eastern coach Jason Anderson said senior Mitch Gasbarro and red-shirt senior Demetre Taylor are the key Panthers on the prowl this weekend.

'They have been doing a good job of setting the table and getting runners in scoring position," Anderson said.

Gasbarro and Taylor both have tallied 33 hits and their RBI totals are 14 and 16 RBIs, respec-

With only three available players on the bench for this series, Anderson said he intends to utilize those players strategically for every game. Senior Matt Dunavant has been one of those key players off the bench for Anderson.

"He will come up in every game during an RBI situation," Anderson said. "He has done very well for us in that role and he will continue to do it."

In his 28 games played this season, Dunavant has driven in 12 runs on 11 hits with two home

The start time for game one on Friday is sched-



Sophomore Ben Hughes fires a pitch Wednesday afternoon against Illinois College. Hughes pitched four innings and allowed one run during the Panthers' 7-6 win.

uled for 3 p.m. Games two and three on Saturday and Sunday both begin at 1 p.m.

After this three-game set, the Panthers continue their home stand with two non-conference games against Saint Louis on April 26 and Indiana State on April 27.

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Eastern to travel for 2 doubleheaders

By Sean Hastings

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The Eastern softball team's overall win streak may have snapped Wednesday, but it still has won six-straight games where it matters; in Ohio Valley Conference play to hold a 9-6 record.

The Panthers will have a chance to make it 10 in a row and help secure a spot in the OVC tournament this weekend against Belmont and Tennessee State. Eastern will play a doubleheader with Belmont on Saturday and a doubleheader with Tennessee State Sunday.

The Panthers have dominated on their home field with a perfect 8-0 record but have struggled on the road having won just one game. The win came in the third game of a three-game set with Murray State April 3.

Eastern's bats started to come to life against Illinois Wednesday but sophomore pitcher Jessica Wireman hit a minor speed bump after dominating in her last four starts.

If the pitching stays how it has been over this sixgame OVC win streak and if the hitters hit the way they did against Illinois, the Panthers can be a tough team to beat moving toward the end of the season.

The Bruins have had an up-and-down year with an 8-9 record in OVC play. Belmont currently has the seventh spot in the OVC standings and are 7-5 on its home field.

Belmont was riding a five-game losing streak heading into last Sunday's game including losses to Murray State and Eastern Kentucky, but found a way to beat the Colonels in the final game of the

Ashley Johnson has seen the most time in the circle for the Bruins with 81 innings pitched. She has an ERA of 3.37 and a record of 4-5.



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Sophomore Jessica Wireman fires a pitch Sunday against Austin Peay. Wireman threw two shutouts over the weekend.

The Bruins, however, have two other pitchers who have been used a lot this season. Shelby Willard has thrown 75 innings for the Bruins and has a record of 3-12 and an ERA of 5.88. Lexi Rouse has racked up 66.2 innings in the circle and is the only pitcher on the team with a winning record at 5-4

They may not have the highest batting average, but the Bruins are a threat to drive in runs. Belmont has seven players who have driven in 14 or more RBIs. Eastern seniors April Markowski and Kylie Bennett are the only ones on the team with over 14 runs batted in.

None of the same can be said for Tennessee State, who has struggled all season. The Tigers have an OVC record of 3-14 which puts them in 11th place in the OVC standings with the chances of making the OVC tournament slim.

The Tigers will be taking on Southern Illinois-Edwardsville on Saturday before playing the Panthers Sunday, so their record will change before the

Despite the lack of success in getting wins, the Tigers do have one of the OVC's top hitters in Courtney Geralds. Geralds is batting .345 with two doubles, two triples, and 16 RBIs. Second on the team is Lauren Dreitlein with a .305 average.

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New 'Jungle Book' roars of fun

Review by Luis Martinez News Editor | @DEN_Verge

It's the story of a boy, found alone in the jungle by a panther, raised by a pack of wolves, who becomes best friends with a bear, and all the while, he is being hunted down by a tiger.

"The Jungle Book" brings back a mixture of old childhood memories while creating new ones for today's generation of moviegoers.

The new film incorporates both the original works of Rudyard Kipling and it is considered to be a live-action/CGI remake of the 1967 Disney classic, and the film does an incredible job combining the two into one film.

I remember watching the original cartoon movie as a child and it was one of my favorite films growing up.

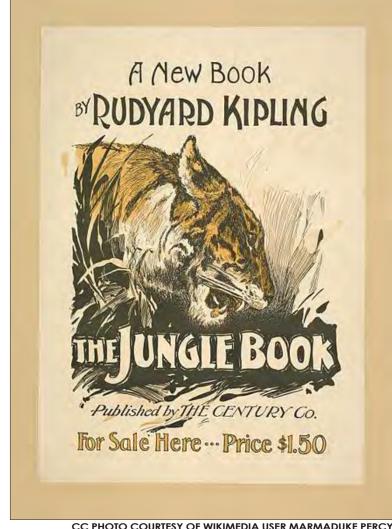
The film casts the likes of Ben Kingsley as Bagheera, Bill Murray as Baloo, Idris Elba as Shere Khan, Christopher Walken as King Louie and it was the feature film debut of Neel Sethi as Mowgli.

The film was a pleasant surprise and was one of the films I was looking forward to see this year.

When the first trailer was announced, I was excited to see an old classic be made new again, and I wasn't disappointed.

The voice acting by all of the cast was amazing and Murray did a great job in bringing one of my personal favorite Disney characters to life on the big screen, but perhaps one of the best scenes in the film was the introduction of the movie's villain, Shere Khan.

This version of the famed Disney villain was much different than his 1967 counterpart as he appears to be much more cynical and violent.



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The book poster for "The Jungle Book," by writer Rudyard Kipling, published by The Century Company, New York.

This version of the villainous tiger is scarred and scary and Elba does a perfect job playing this character and making him come alive for this generation.

One of the best things about the original animated film was the songs, and anyone who has seen it knows exactly what songs I'm talking about.

The songs that made the original film so memorable are also in the new film.

The scene with Mowgli and Baloo on the river singing the "The Bare Necessities" is reminiscent of the original film and it brought back such good memories from when I was a kid.

I was actually really surprised when they started playing "I Wanna Be Like You" during the King Louie scene and even more so when I heard Walken was the one singing the song.

This film was amazing and for me, it brought back some of the best memories of my childhood and if you haven't seen it yet, make some plans to go and check it out.

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Cochren & Company to perform 'backwoods Motown'

By Mercury Bowen Staff Reporter | @DEN_Verge

Cochren & Company, a Christian band capturing a mix of genres, is set to perform at 7 p.m. Saturday at Jackson Avenue Cof-

The band performs what Michael Cochren, the lead singer, jokingly refers to as "backwoods Motown" music.

"It's easygoing piano rock that makes you stomp your foot," Cochren said. "It's reminiscent of blues and rock with a little country flair to it."

Cochren & Company has opened for several artists such as the Newsboys, Crowder, Jeremy Camp, Tenth Avenue North, Sidewalk Prophets, City Harmonic and Chris August.

Started in the summer of 2011, the band now consists of five members; Michael Cochren, Leah Cochren, Tanner Brooks, Kyler Lee and Michael Mathis.

Cochren said many of the members went to high school together, as there was only one high school in the county he grew up in.

He said he got a hold of some of the people that he knew played music in his high school to start

"Some of us were friends before and some of us became good friends through it," Cochren said. "I actually got married last summer so our newest band member is my wife."

Cochren's wife, Leah, plays guitar and piano and sings with the band for performances.

Cochren said his reason for performing at Jackson Avenue Coffee was that he had performed there with a different band his first summer after recording his first CD and the atmosphere had made an impression on him.

"I remember the cool artwork on the back wall," Cochren said. "It was so mindful of art and culture and had that small-town feel to it."

Dano Reible, owner of Jackson Avenue Coffee, said he found the group through a referral and is looking forward to hearing the band perform in person.

Cochren said the band hopes to

encourage everyone with a message of hope, but also that people walk away having enjoyed the mu-

"One of the main reasons that we play music is to give honor to our God," Cochren said. "So we hope that people can relate to that aspect and that we can encourage those who have faith."

Reible said Jackson Avenue Coffee hosts both Christian and secular groups and much of the time the Christian groups draw a bigger crowd than the secular ones.

"We will see some audience(s) change sometimes," Reible said.

Cochren said he finds it interesting how the music industry is so keen to label musicians or groups as Christian or secular.

"We're all Christians in the band so that's our reference point," Cochren said. "It influences everything we do. We certainly don't want people to feel uncomfortable around us but we also want people to know that we believe we have a hope and that hope is for everyone."

Reible said he thinks Cochren & Company will get a good turn

"We're looking forward to the night and seeing how it goes," Reible said. "We're looking forward to having a good time."

Admission is free to the public.

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ROTC to celebrate 100 years of Cadet Command

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Eastern's ROTC has dedicated this weekend to celebrate the 100th anniversary of the Cadet Command.

The ROTC Fair will give students hands-on activities to participate in on the Tarble Arts Field and the South Ouad.

A DJ will play popular music, cotton candy and popcorn will be offered and several military demonstrations will be shown.

Students can compete in an inflatable obstacle course, win prizes and take pictures with the auxiliary Black Hawk helicopter and other military vehicles.

The fair is from 1-5 p.m. and it is free for anyone who wants to at-

Patricia McPhillips, professor of military science and lieutenant colonel, said planning for the fair was the most challenging out of all of the celebration events.

"We have never done a 100th celebration so figuring out the idea was the most challenging."

Students can meet both high school members in JROTC, members of the college ROTC and alumni during the fair and possibly consider joining.

McPhillips said recruiting more students would be great however, that is not the main focus.

"Success for me is that everyone has a good time," McPhillips said. "A lot of things were canceled this year, and it's something we are doing to show the campus thanks."

On Saturday, the ROTC will host Past-Present-Future 5K Fun Run/ Walk starting at the Campus Pond Pavilion.

Jasmine Winters, a junior geology major and MS4 in the ROTC program, said she is looking forward to being apart of such a large run/walk and hopefully setting a new prece-

The goal for this 100th year celebration is to host the largest running event recorded," Winters said. "I believe the previous record was 209,000 people. We are trying to beat that and I believe that was in the Philippines in 2012."

About 275 senior ROTC programs nation-wide will connect via social media to make sure everyone starts the race/walk at the same

Once all of the members start, the ROTC can count everyone participating and hopefully break the previous Guinness World Record, McPhillips said.

Anyone can register online or on site, however, the fee is \$24 and participates will receive the 100th celebratory T-shirts.

To motivate the runners and walkers, both the JROTC instructor and McPhillips will give a brief speech before the race begins.

To achieve the theme, the JROTC participants represent the future army force, present are the EIU ROTC members and the past are the alumni participants.

At 6 p.m. Saturday, the annual ROTC Military Ball will begin in the Grand Ballroom.

McPhillips said the Military Ball is the main celebration activity that she looking forward to the most.

"The Military Ball is the event that has the most tradition. Cadets can experience a formal military function and have a chance to socialize," McPhillips said.

The ball has been celebrated for 100 years, however this is the first time the Cadet Command Hall of Fame will be established and the first two inductees will be an-

McPhillips said it was tough deciding which alumni to induct because of the amount of great candidates, but these two Colonels were

"These two stood out as leaders in the field," McPhillips said.

The first member of the Hall of Fame is Colonel Scott Kimmell from the '86 graduating class. Kimmell currently is the associate commandant of U.S. Army Chemical School.

Second member is Colonel Retired Robert Sinkler and current director for the water infrastructure for the nature conservancy's the North American Water Program.

For the Military Ball, alumni from both the class of 1985 and class of 2015 are invited to attend.

The fair, run/walk and the Military Ball are all planned and executed by cadets in the hopes of commemorating the cadets' 100-year

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Angels Ultimate Frisbee caps off inaugural season

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The Angels might have been a brand new team, but the student athletes on the team claim they certainly did not play like one

The Angels Ultimate Frisbee club ended its first season last weekend, and even with the team constructed mostly of players who had little experience in the sport, the member's teamwork turned a few heads during the team's meets.

Madisyn Garner, who played the "hybrid" position and acted as a quarter-back as well as a receiver (or "cutter"), said the club's success is a product of great team chemistry.

"Most of us had never played (ultimate Frisbee) before and had to learn how to throw a Frisbee correctly," Garner said. "That being said, the amount of games we won and how far we got as a team really does show how well we work together."

Sihan "SiSi" Pascarella, who was a "cutter" on the team, is proud of the accomplishments of the Angel's first season.

"I don't mean to brag or nothing, but as a first year team, I think these girls did fantastic," Pascarella said.

Meredith Spitz, another "cutter" for the team, said she was impressed to find out the club was only in its first year when she joined, especially when competing against more experienced teams.

"We had multiple teams that had been playing for seven-plus years compliment us on our playing and abilities," Spitz said. "I think we did great considering it was our first year."

Spitz said the men's Ultimate Frisbee team, the Reapers, helped the Angels learn the basics of Ultimate Frisbee.

The two teams would sometimes even shout "above and below," as a form of wordplay to support one another throughout the seasor

The benefit of the Angels being a club sport is that they were not affected by Illinois budget cuts because the team independently fundraises enough money for any expenses. The team was thankful that it did not have to rely on funding from Eastern, Spitz said.

"You can't take away something that wasn't there to start with," Spitz said.

The Pantherpalooza event in the fall was an important benchmark for the club, as it gained several members, including Garner and cutter Peyton Francisco.

Francisco, who was also new to Ultimate Frisbee when she joined the Angels, said the club's record for the fall was 12-10, and the spring record was 7-14.

One of the hardships the team had to endure throughout the season was having only nine players on their roster, a small amount compared to some of the teams they faced.

Spitz said the team would often have to play "savage," meaning all of its players were forced to play the entire game without substitutions because they did not have as many players as other teams.

"When you're playing four games a day in a two-day tournament, each game last about an hour and twenty minutes, playing savage can be pretty rough," Spitz said.

Garner said the members were often underestimated and considered 'the lowest girls on the totem poll' because the team did not have as many team players.

"It was a really great compliment when we would talk to other teams' coaches and tell them that we were a first-year team and they said they would have never guessed," Garner said.

With their season over, the Angels are looking forward to the next season, as they hope to continue to compete as well as gain a few more members along the way.

"We all hope that next year more girls



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The Angels Ultimate Frisbee club ended its season recently.

will come out and we can expand our little family," Spitz said.

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Panther Service Day to bring students together

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Crystal Brown, civic engagement and volunteerism assistant director, and Interim Director Beth Gillespie both cheered as a group of 19 students registered to volunteer for the 14th annual Panther Service Day.

Students will have a chance to help the Charleston city by volunteering at 11 different sites on Saturday.

The opening ceremony will take place in Blair Hall's lawn at 11:30 a.m. where there will be speeches, a dance presentation and check-in tables.

The first 100 students to check-in will receive free Panther Service Day T-shirts.

Gillespie said this year's theme 'Let's be legendary together,' serves as a message of hope for all of the participants.

"The phrase 'let's be legendary together' really stuck out to us this year especially now," Gillespie said. "We have faith that we are going to see bright days ahead and EIU is not going anywhere so let's be legendary together right here, right now."

Crystal Brown said that their goal was to provide a wide range of volunteer sites so there would be a place that interests everyone.

"It is important as we craft that list to provide that wide variety of options whether it's working for youth agencies or na-



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The Ashmore Fire Department offered Eastern students opportunities for service work last year.

ture preserves," Brown said. "We want students to participate in things that they are interested in and have a passion for."

The sites include Standing Stone, First Fruits Farm, trails around Lake Charleston, City of Ashmore, Douglas Heart Nature Preserve, Fit 2 Serve, Lifespan Center, HOPE and HOPE children center, Mark Twain Elementary and Standing Stone Capenter's Table

Brown said that several sites have become a part of Panther Service Day tradition while there are new sites added this year.

"In addition to maintaining those old re-

lationships its building those new relationships with community partners and seeing if there are new opportunities to help our community but also to engage our students," Brown said.

The two new sites offered this year are Fit 2 Serve and having students work on the trails surrounding Lake Charleston.

HOPE domestic violence shelter and Standing Stone community center were offered before but this year students can volunteer in HOPE children center and Standing Stone's new carpenter's table.

Volunteers will be provided transportation as well as a free bagged lunch that the

students can take to the various locations.

The lunches are donated by Eastern's Alumni Office, which has been a consistent service the office provides for the student volunteers.

Communicating with the site managers, finding new sites, providing transportation for students and encouraging students to volunteer are all major aspects of the planning process.

The Civic Engagement and Volunteerism staff, Eastern Alumni Services and student government are the main organizers for the service day.

All of these organizations work together as a team to make sure everything is completed, Brown said.

"Our job is to set the stage so our students can show up, work hard, change lives and go home," Gillespie said. "We will feel good knowing that this happens."

Gillespie said even though the tasks may seem simple, they all represent a deeper meaning of establishing long lasting relationships.

"The number thing that our community leaders talk so highly of is the support, work ethic, attitude and the impact that our student body has on their organization," Gillespie said.

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