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"Tell the truth and don't be afraid."



Mandy Marshall/Photo editor

Main event

University plumber Joe Green works to fix a water main break Monday evening near the north end of the Stevenson Hall parking lot.

The water main, which carries water to Married Student Housing, broke at about 3 p.m., said University plumber Dennis Updegraff. Residents of Married Student Housing were not without water because of the water main break, and no boil order was issued on campus, Updegraff said.

He said the plumbers would probably be working on the water main until about 8 p.m. and there are about three or four water main breaks a year on Eastern's campus.

The colder temperatures Charleston saw Monday do not make it any harder to fix a water main break, although Updegraff said it "can get a little rough" working in colder temperatures.



Senate elections to be held Wednesday and Thursday

13 positions to be filled; constitutional amendment also on ballot

By Shauna Gustafson
Staff writer

Students will have 20 choices with which to fill 13 Student Senate seats in the senate elections Wednesday and Thursday.

Students can vote from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Coleman Hall, Carman Hall and the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union walkway.

The 20 applicants include 10 on-campus students, five off-campus and five at large.

The 10 on-campus applicants are: Damon Nicholas, James Miller, Sabrina Bowens, Seth Quin, Bob Kman, Erin Wilcox, Jason Skorup, Andrea Hausman, Steven Averhart and Joshua Vance. The five off-campus applicants are: Kimberly Wise, Joseph Ryan, Christina Kracht, Gary Kelly and Jason Phillippe. And the five at-large applicants are: William Brooks, Amanda Furlan, Arthur Davis, Vince Neil and Stephen Ode.

The candidates do not have party affiliations, said Melissa Riley, election committee chair.

New senate members will be seated at the Dec. 8 Student Senate meeting.

Students also will be given the opportunity to vote on two constitutional amendments regarding Student Senate. The amendments were passed by the senate, and state that senate members and executive board members will be held to a higher standard of conduct than the already high standard the rest of the student body is held to.

The amendments must be passed by two-thirds of the student body to be put into affect.

Economics professor enters guilty plea

William Thompson charged with acquiring a controlled substance by fraud in Terre Haute

By Amy Thon
Assoc. news editor

An economics professor Wednesday withdrew an innocent plea and entered a guilty plea for acquiring a controlled substance by fraud, which is a class D felony.

William F. Thompson, of Terre Haute, Ind., originally pleaded innocent on Aug. 6 to the charge in the Vigo County Court Division 5. A second charge of attempted acquiring of a controlled substance by fraud, also a class D felony, was dismissed, according to court documents.

Thompson declined comment Monday.

Thompson faces up to three years in prison and fines up to \$10,000 for allegedly altering prescriptions for drugs.

Thompson previously said he has suffered from chronic migraine headaches for the past 12 years, and became addicted to Fiorinal with codeine. He said he has been treated for the addiction.

According to a probable cause affidavit for Thompson's arrest, the investigation by the Terre Haute Police Department began after a report was filed by HealthCheck, a medical facility for people with minor injuries or illnesses, in Terre Haute.

A pharmacist at K-Mart Pharmacy in Terre Haute suspected a prescription brought in by Thompson was altered and called HealthCheck to verify the prescription, the affidavit stated. The pharmacist confronted Thompson about the alterations and according to the pharmacist, Thompson admitted to having altered the prescription for Fiorinal, the affidavit stated.

Thompson's doctor said the prescription was for Fioricet, which typically helps treat headaches, but had been altered to read Fiorinal with codeine. The quantity also was changed, the affidavit stated.

A pharmacist at Kroger South pharmacy in Terre Haute also filled a prescription for Thompson that appeared to be altered, a court document stated.

Judgment and sentencing are deferred until May 23, 2001. Thompson's guilty plea included deferral of sentencing with participation in the Drug Court.

Ebrahim Karbassioon, economics department chair, said he cannot comment at this time whether Thompson's guilty plea will affect his position at the university.

"We have to wait until we have more information on (the court case)," he said.

The university also declined comment Monday on Thompson's status within the university.

Thompson, who is a 13-year member of the Terre Haute City Council, began teaching at Eastern in 1981 and also is an adjunct professor at Indiana State University.

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Safe Zone debuts at Eastern

By Julie Bartlow
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Lesbian, gay and bisexual students with problems or concerns always have a place on campus to go where they will be provided with a sympathetic ear.

Safe Zone, a program sponsored by the Lesbians, Gays, Bisexuals and Transgenders, offers a safe haven to students who are in need of someone to talk to about any issues they may be dealing with.

"The idea of Safe Zone is so people including students, faculty, staff or the community can sign up to be a participant of Safe Zone," said Doug Howell, a senior

social science major and executive director of Safe Zone. "The people who sign up are to follow a code to talk about different ideas in the gay community, in which they are to be open-minded, and must feel comfortable in talking about these situations."

Participants in the program show they are available to talk to students through displaying a Safe Zone decal.

"Safe Zones will have a decal to display on their door, desks, or whatever," Howell said. "They can be seen in residence hall rooms, on the faculty and even staff doors."

The Safe Zone symbol is represented by three interlocking trian-

gles, which are pink, black, and blue, and have "LGBT Safe Zone" surrounding it, Howell said.

Howell said the idea of having the program was arranged in the fall of 1997, but debuted in the spring of 1998.

He said the feedback has always been very positive for the Safe Zone Program.

"We have had no negative feedback, which is good, and we hope to help more people," he said.

Of the 175 people currently participating in the program, 25 are with the Lesbians, Gays Bisexuals and Allies Union (LGBAU), Howell said.

Safe Zones are areas on and

around campus where supportive people provide information and work toward the elimination of myths, misconceptions, and stereotypes, according to the Safe Zone Web site.

Howell said to find out more information about the Safe Zone program, anyone can log onto the Safe Zone Web site at www.eiu.edu/~safezone.

LGBAU will sponsor a presentation at 7 p.m. today addressing the topic of hate crimes. The presentation, titled "1418: Hate Crimes and the Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, Transgender Community," will be in the Effingham Room of the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union.

Groups demand networks increase minority presence

LOS ANGELES (AP) - The National Association for the Advancement of Colored People said Monday it will decide by the end of December whether to follow through on threats of boycotts and demonstrations if major television networks don't quickly put more minorities in front of and behind the cameras.

Boycotts, picketing of network headquarters, affiliate stations and advertisers would be "aimed at driving down the stock value of the four major networks (ABC, CBS, NBC and Fox)," NAACP President Kweisi Mfume said at a day long hearing on television diversity

organized by his group.

Minorities have complained about a perceived lack of progress and even indifference to improving the depiction and employment of blacks, Asian-Americans, Hispanics, American Indians and other ethnic groups.

The NAACP invited top executives of the four big networks to the hearing, but only CBS Television President Leslie Moonves showed up. ABC, NBC and Fox all sent broadcast content and standards executives.

Moonves used his time before the panel to tout CBS' success at improving its depiction of minori-

ties, including producer Steven Bochco's upcoming series, "City of Angels," about an inner-city hospital. The cast and crew is mostly minorities. While 21.5 percent of CBS employees are minorities, only 14.8 percent of the executive ranks are minorities, "an area where we clearly need to improve and where we will improve," Moonves said.

Actor Blair Underwood, one of the stars of "City of Angels" and a former regular on "L.A. Law," told the panel that boycotts and protests over minority issues should be directed at the source of the money that pays for TV production.

Bomb search, demonstrators make for rough opening day

SEATTLE (AP) - The World Trade Organization stumbled at the starting gate of its week of global talks Monday when authorities were forced to delay opening activities four hours for a bomb search.

And while the Clinton administration hopes the WTO sessions will showcase the benefits of free trade, demonstrators tried to use the meeting to highlight a long list of grievances against the 135-nation organization that sets the rules for world trade.

Critics contend the Geneva-based WTO puts trade promotion goals above other legitimate interests such as human and worker rights and environmental protection.

The Sierra Club staged a noisy but peaceful march in downtown Seattle under the watchful eye of

police in riot gear.

At a separate event, radical French farmer Jose Bove - who grabbed international attention this summer after being arrested for trying to dismantle a McDonald's restaurant in France - led a crowd at a Seattle McDonald's in chanting, "No new round, shut it down." A restaurant window was broken and one person was arrested, police said.

Protest leaders said Monday's activities were only a warm-up for what is planned as their biggest event of the week, an AFL-CIO sponsored march by workers and their families that will coincide with Tuesday's opening sessions of the WTO negotiations.

Organizers hope as many as 50,000 people will participate. Some radical groups have indicated they

will try to chain themselves together to block delegates from entering the huge downtown convention center, the main venue for the talks.

A bomb sweep of the center Monday morning did keep hundreds of delegates and reporters out of the building. The search by the Secret Service and Seattle police was triggered by what police called a "security breach" of the building, discovered around 4:30 a.m. PST.

No bombs were found. But the WTO had to scramble to adjust schedules for what had been planned as a day long symposium for trade ministers and WTO officials to listen to the critical views of labor, environmental and human rights groups. Numerous briefings planned by individual countries were rescheduled or scrapped altogether.

Lawsuit over baby formula continues

WASHINGTON (AP) - The Supreme Court agreed Monday to study a lawsuit that accuses three companies of illegally conspiring to raise the price of baby formula.

The justices said they will use the Louisiana case to clarify when some lawsuits filed in a state court can be moved to a federal court. Those who filed the Louisiana case in a state court say it wrongly was transferred to a federal court, where it then was dismissed.

Robin and Renee Free sued in Louisiana court in 1993, accusing North Chicago, Ill.-based Abbott Laboratories, Bristol-Myers Squibb and Mead Johnson & Co. of conspiring to raise the price of baby formula.

The lawsuit was filed as a class action and sought up to \$20,000 in damages for each person affected by the higher prices.

The three companies had the case moved to federal court, but the Frees argued that the amount of their claim did not meet the \$50,000 minimum required at the time for federal court jurisdiction in such cases. The minimum has since been raised to \$75,000.

The 5th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals ruled in 1995 that the case belonged in federal court.

Because the Frees would be entitled under Louisiana law to collect any attorneys' fees awarded in the case, they could recover more than \$50,000, the appeals court ruled.



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UPI answers students' questions

Members of faculty union host meetings at residence halls

By **Melanie Schneider**
Administration editor

During the next two weeks, members of the faculty union will answer student's questions and concerns regarding current contract negotiations at many of the residence halls on campus.

David Radavich, vice president of Eastern's Chapter of the University Professionals of Illinois and chief negotiator, said union members would start the meetings with a few ideas and then open the floor for students' questions.

"The purpose is for students to find out what they want to know, and share their thoughts," Radavich said.

Union members Carol J. Dudley, instructor of English; Lora Green, of academic advising; and Radavich spoke Monday to students in Taylor Hall during the Taylor Hall Council.

Bob Wayland, chief negotiator for the administration, said he did not really know much about the scheduled meetings and the administration did not intend to speak with students.

"If students have questions about the negotiations, I expect them (union members) to give their views and where they stand on the issues," Wayland said.



Mandy Marshall / Photo editor

Carol Dudley, Eastern English instructor, and David Radavich, Eastern English professor, spoke on behalf of University Professionals of Illinois Monday evening at the Taylor Hall Council meeting in the Taylor Hall lobby. Dudley, a UPI member, and UPI Vice President Radavich answered students' questions about the union's current negotiations.

Defensive driving crucial during winter months

By **Geneva White**
Campus editor

The upcoming winter months may bring hazardous road conditions, forcing students to be more careful when traveling around Eastern's campus.

"There will be more accidents," said Art Mitchell, an officer with the University Police Department.

"There is every winter. At the start of the winter everyone's still in their summer driving mode."

Most of the accidents that occur around Eastern are minor fender benders, Mitchell said. However, students still should be cautious.

"When we do have accidents here on campus they're usually not that serious because everybody's not moving too fast," Mitchell said. "But a dent's a dent."

Despite the slow-moving traffic on surrounding streets, students need to be conscious of their surroundings when driving during the winter.

"A lot of times, early in the morning, there's frost on the road you can't even see," Mitchell said.

"Be aware that it is winter."

The ice and snow also can increase the potential for hit and run accidents, Mitchell said. With the crowded conditions that exist in the parking lots, it is not uncommon for one car to slide into another.

"Sometimes people don't leave a note," Mitchell said. "Sometimes we're lucky enough that there will be a witness and (the hit and run driver) can be prosecuted. But a lot of times people don't know they've done it."

But finding a witness to a hit and run accident can be difficult, Mitchell said.

"That's about the same as someone pushing the button on an emergency phone," he said. "You'd have to see that happen to apprehend the person."

One way to prevent any accidents this winter is through a simple task known as defensive driving.

"You've got to keep in mind defensive drive," Mitchell said. "Just be aware of the other person and drive defensively."

Housing contract postpones fees of returning on-campus students

By **Geneva White**
Campus editor

Holding off on that apartment for another year and remaining in a residence hall could be a financial gain under a new contract being offered to returning on-campus students.

Housing and Dining Services is now offering a "New Millennium" contract, in which students currently living in Greek Court and the residence halls who choose to stay on campus in the fall will not see a fee increase until fall 2001.

"The New Millennium Contract will allow a student that currently lives in a residence hall or Greek Court that returns in fall 2000 to pay the same rate as this year," said Bill Schnackel, director of Housing and Dining Services.

The new contract applies only to students

who sign an agreement to return to residence halls or Greek Court by Dec. 10.

Each year, rates for on-campus contracts generally increase about 8.2 percent, Schnackel said. He developed the concept of waving the fee increase for students who renew their on-campus contracts last month.

"We were kicking around some ideas one day and tying in with the new millennium and Y2K issues, we said, 'let's call it the New Millennium contract,'" Schnackel said. "People were worried about what Y2K would do to the economy. This is kind of a nice way to say '(here) is a comfort zone.'"

The New Millennium contract may be a determining factor in on-campus students' decisions to return to residence hall life.

"We want to encourage people to come back for a second year and we want this to be

an incentive for them to do so," Schnackel said.

More returning students combined with incoming students could mean full residence halls in the fall.

"That's our other hope—that it will allow us to be full for fall 2000," Schnackel said. "The higher the occupancy the more we can do for students living on campus."

With an increase in students, Schnackel said Housing and Dining Services can continue to strive to make improvements to on-campus facilities. One of the major goals is to have every residence hall and all buildings in Greek Court connected to Ethernet by January 2001.

Chad Franks, resident director and marketing and promotions specialist of Housing and Dining Services, said he conducted a survey last year that revealed most students are not

aware of all the options involved in on-campus living.

"People who sign the contract by Dec. 10 are getting a great deal because of all the improvements (to the residence halls), specifically because of all the Internet connection installation," he said.

This fall, Housing and Dining Services was able to offer more single rooms and deluxe doubles because of a decrease in incoming freshmen and a larger graduating class last spring. Schnackel said these rooms will remain available on a first come, first serve basis.

"I'm real excited about (the New Millennium contract)," Schnackel said. "I think we have a great on-campus housing program and if it will encourage students to stay, I think it will be to their benefit as well as Eastern's."

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Opinion page

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Off to the polls

Wednesday and Thursday, elections for new Student Senate members will be held to give Eastern students the chance to decide who they want to represent them on Student Government.

Voting will be held from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union walkway, Coleman Hall and Carman Hall. Students who want to vote just need their Panther card in order to vote.

Because Student Senate members are responsible for representing the student body and provide a voice for students at their meetings, all students should make it a point to vote for who they think are the best candidates for the positions.

Senate elections

All students should take some time out of their schedules on Wednesday and Thursday to go to the polls and vote in the Student Senate elections.

Some of the responsibilities of Student Senate members include attending weekly senate meetings and representing recognized student organizations at the meetings. Senate members also must keep in contact and maintain a working relationship with members of the student organizations and assess their needs and concerns.

Other areas Student Senate members are responsible for are addressing student concerns, dealing with fee increases and other student-oriented issues.

Students also will have a chance to vote on a referendum for a constitutional amendment. The amendment states senate members and executive members should be held to a higher standard. If approved, a change will be made to the constitution and senate members and executives will be held at all times to a standard of conduct that exceeds the already higher standard to which the student body is held. The Student Senate members are elected to represent all students and therefore, more is expected of them.

It is important for students to go out and voice their opinions for both who they want representing them and the constitutional amendment. Students should take some time to decide whether the students representing them should be held to a higher standard.

Taking a few minutes out of the day to vote for candidates students think will represent them best will be time well spent. All students should take an interest in the students who are responsible for representing them at Student Senate meetings.

■ The editorial is the opinion of the editorial board of *The Daily Eastern News*.

Today's quote

There is but one unconditional commandment, which is that we should seek incessantly, with fear and trembling, so to vote and to act as to bring about the very largest total universe of good which we can see.

William James,
American psychologist and philosopher, 1842-1910

A few tips for keeping those eyes open

One second I'm intently listening to my professor lecturing about Erasmus' ideal society, and the next second my hand is slipping off my notebook and my head is bobbing up and down from drowsiness.

All of a sudden someone's book falls off a desk and I'm jolted back to reality. My eyes dart around the room, searching for anyone who may have

caught me jump out of my snooze. Usually, I find someone else whose eyes are slowly closing, mouth half open. Good, I'm not the only one.

Falling asleep in class — who doesn't it happen to? Not only is it embarrassing, but it can be pretty frightening, too. Not because the professor can bust you doing it, but because it happens unconsciously, or at least unexpectedly.

I used to laugh at how I mastered falling asleep with my eyes open, but now I can drift off without even knowing it, and it scares me.

For some reason, I recently find it harder to stay awake in class than I did in past years. I'm certainly more busy, which is most likely why I grow tired more quickly, but how do I stop myself from dozing off?

Crunch time is approaching with finals looming in the near future, which means long nights of studying and consumption of a lot of junk food. Both are extremely unhealthy, but some all-nighters are inevitable. So how do we deal with our worn out bodies the next day?

From past experience, I sadly realized there is no sure-fire way of keeping myself awake when my body just wants to shut down. But I do have some techniques that can keep you up in class, at least for a little while.



Tammie Sloup
News editor

"Falling asleep in class — who doesn't it happen to? Not only is it embarrassing, but it can be pretty frightening too."

First, pinch yourself. If you pinch the bottom side of the forearm, where it can really hurt, you usually get so angry at the pain that the adrenaline rush can last up to about five minutes. Try this a few more times if you're still having trouble, but don't overdue it; that's just cruel.

Second, keep moving one part of your body. People say exercise is the best way to get

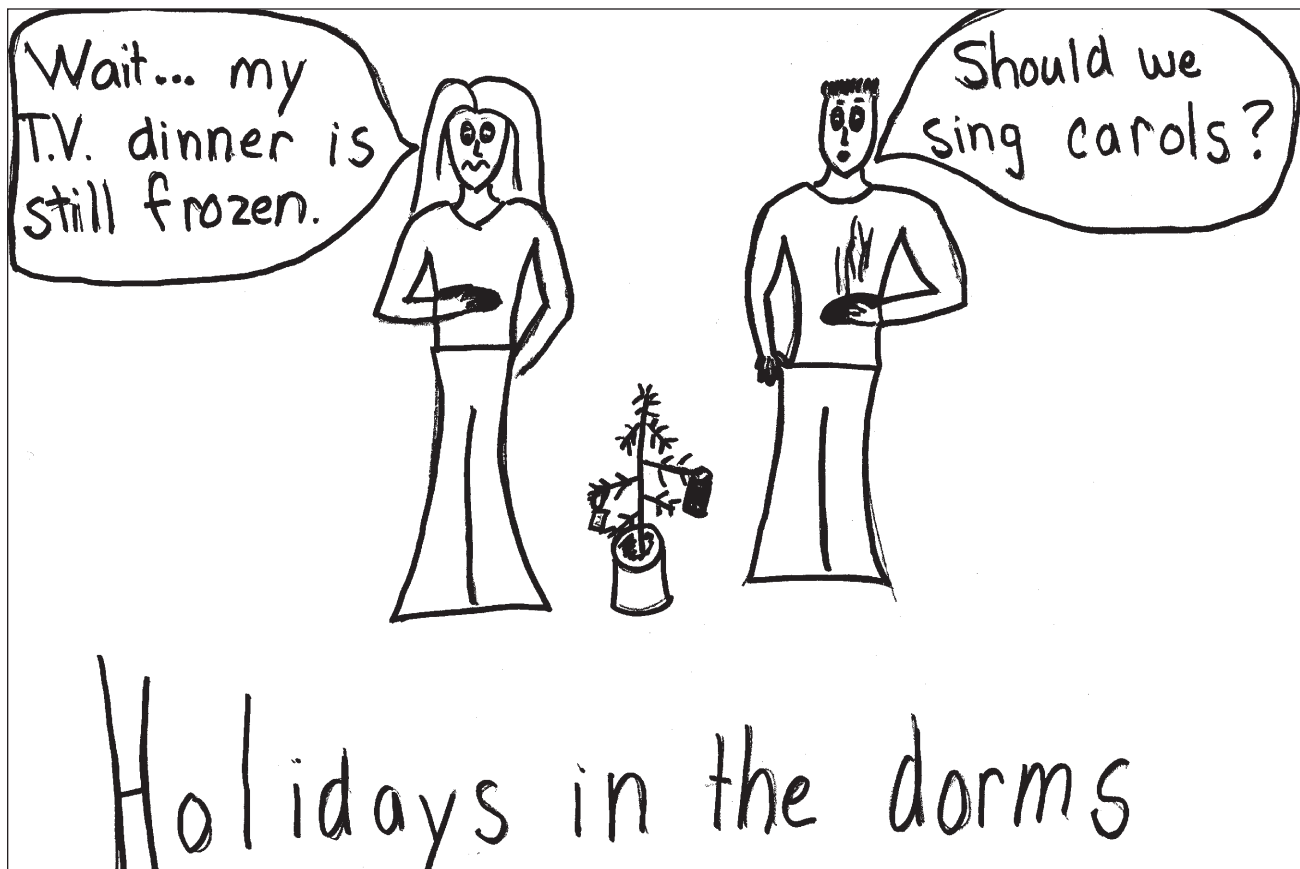
the blood flowing, but since it's not really appropriate to stand up and do 10 jumping jacks in the middle of your English class, just tap your foot or move your hands. If you're using your muscles in any way, the less tired you'll feel, at least from my experience. Just don't make a commotion.

Third, always have something in your mouth. Candy seems to work better than gum, only because I can sometimes forget that I have a hunk of Hubba Bubba in my mouth. Longlasting candy works pretty well, such as Jawbreakers or Starlight mints. It's too bad the Everlasting Gobstopper doesn't really exist; it would be perfect for this occasion.

Fourth, look around the room and don't let your mind drift. If your professor's lecture is dry, at least keep in touch with what's going on in the room. Analyze what people are wearing or laugh, to yourself, at the people who are falling asleep.

Like I said, these are not sure-fire techniques, but give them a whirl and see what happens. Maybe you'll stay awake long enough to learn a thing or two in class.

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Students, faculty protest human rights violations

The weekend before Thanksgiving, three faculty, along with 11 students and one staff member of the Newman Catholic community, joined approximately 1,000 persons at the vigil at the School of the Americas (SOA) in Fort Benning, Ga. The purpose of the vigil was to take a stand and increase public sentiment against the work of this school.

The U.S. Army school trains Latin American soldiers in combat, counter-insurgency and counter-narcotics. Graduates of the SOA have been responsible for some of the worst human rights abuses in Latin America. Among the SOA's nearly 60,000 graduates are notorious dictators Manuel Noriega and Omar Torrijos of Panama. In El Salvador alone, SOA graduates were involved in the assassination of Archbishop Oscar Romero, the El Mozote Massacre of 900 civilians and 107 villagers and in the chain saw massacres at Trujillo. Nineteen of the 26 people implicated in the murders of six Jesuits, their cook and her daughter graduated from the SOA. Ten of the Chilean officers recently cited in the Spanish court case along with Chilean dictator Augusto Pinochet were

Your turn Letters to the editor

SOA graduates. Nearly every human rights report from Latin America names SOA graduates for their involvement in abuses.

There is evidence these actions are directly linked to the training received at SOA. In 1997, the Pentagon released previously classified training manuals used at SOA. These manuals advocated torture, execution, false imprisonment and blackmail. From start to finish, they condoned the infiltration of opposition political parties, youth groups and labor unions. They even viewed political campaigning as subversive.

As a result of the ensuing controversy over the manuals, the SOA claims to have reformed. It now says that it offers extensive human rights training for all of its graduates. In fact, this training lasts only about eight hours and consists of a slide show, movie and class discussion. The SOA course catalog now lists a "Human Rights Train the Trainer Course," but no students took the course in 1997 or 1998. There has been no outside independent review of

the school's curriculum, and there is no mechanism for tracking graduates to determine the level of their involvement in human rights abuses.

Representative Moakley of Massachusetts has introduced House Bill 732, which calls for the closing of the SOA. Our representative, Dan Phelps, is a co-sponsor of the bill. Sen. Dick Durbin has introduced a similar bill in the U. S. Senate, namely S.873. In your communication with these men, please include a commendation for their stand on this issue.

The SOA simply highlights the attitude of the United States on so many issues, namely that one can use military solutions to solve what are not military problems. Establishing reasonable living conditions for all the people of the Americans should be our goal. The SOA is not a means to an end. Closing the SOA may seem like a small step toward improving U. S. relations with Latin America, but it would send a message that the United States no longer wants to be associated with the atrocities committed by SOA graduates. This could help create real security in the region.

Rosemary Schmalz
Mathematics professor

Search begins for associate director of financial aid

By Jason Maholy
Staff writer

Eastern's search for a new associate director of financial aid began Monday as the first candidate for the position underwent a series of interviews with university faculty and staff.

Norm Bedford, a 1996 graduate of Ohio State University, is currently the assistant director of financial aid at OSU, where he has worked for the Office of Financial Aid for the past 10 years. He said he is interested in the position because he is looking for a smaller school and a place that is more mentally stimulating than his current situation.

"I'm at a point in my career where there's not too many things keeping me back in Columbus," he said. "I see where others are at in their economic life cycle and I see there's really not much further ahead I can move. At OSU there's so many people that if you're an associate director you're not really No. 2 in charge."

Bedford said he prefers an open-door management style that allows him to be accessible to his staff at all

times, and is not a fan of closed doors because they act as barriers detrimental to the work environment.

Bedford also said while he tries to take an active role in the affairs of his staff, he is not a proponent of micro managing people.

"I believe in hiring people and empowering them to do a good job," he said. "These people are professionals and know what their job is, so I shouldn't have to tell them what to do. If you surround yourself with good people, usually everything falls into place."

Bedford also believes it's extremely important to have a personal relationship with the people on his staff, and likes to hold weekly staff meetings, whether it's to discuss business matters or just to find out what people have been up to.

"Obviously you have to be a boss first," he said. "You can't be everybody's best friend because you can't please everybody, but it's important to have that relationship."

Interviews for the position will continue today with Michelle Kay Alsip and Monday with Lora Kelly-Benck.

Remains of missing man found

Cause of death undetermined

By Matt Neistein
City editor

The remains of a Charleston man, Michael B. Percy, who was reported missing two and a half years ago were discovered Nov. 17.

Lt. Rick Fisher of the Charleston Police Department said Percy, of the 1600 block of University Drive, was deeply affected by the loss of

his father.

"He was despondent over the death of his father," Fisher said.

Fisher said cause of death has not been determined, and Coles County Coroner Mike Nichols will hold an inquest on the matter, perhaps by mid-December. However, Fisher said when the remains were identified, his "worst fears came true."

"I suspected this would be the way he'd be found," he said.

Percy was the "only active missing person" in Charleston when the remains were found,

Fisher said, making the identification through dental records a swift process.

Percy, who was 32 at the time of his disappearance, left behind personal property when he left, and Fisher said Percy would not have been able to "start over" somewhere. That fact, coupled with his mental state, didn't give the police much hope of finding him alive.

Public notices about Percy's disappearance asking for information issued through newspapers, radio and television were unsuccessful.

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Most violent crimes against children not reported to police

WASHINGTON (AP) — Only 28 percent of violent crimes against children are reported to police - much smaller than the 48 percent of violent crimes against adults that police are told about, the Justice Department said Monday.

Even when a weapon was used against a child or the child was injured, the police were less likely to find out about such attacks than when an adult was the victim, according to the department's Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention.

"Serious categories of juvenile victimization that should be coming to the attention of police and other authorities are not," wrote David Finkelhor and Richard Ormrod in the office's study, "Reporting Crimes Against Juveniles."

One factor in the underreporting is that 16 percent of violent crimes against children - ages 12 to 17- are reported to other authorities, like school officials, instead of police, the study said. But even taking that into account, violence against juveniles is not as frequently reported as violence against adults. Including reports to

other authorities as well as police, violence against children is reported 44 percent of the time, compared with 55 percent for adults.

In crimes with a weapon, 48 percent of those against children and 65 percent of those against adults were reported to police. When crimes caused injury, 57 percent of those with child victims and 65 percent of those with adult victims were reported to police.

Report: Errors happen too often in medicine

WASHINGTON (AP) — Medical mistakes kill anywhere from 44,000 to 98,000 hospitalized Americans a year, says a new report that calls the errors stunning and demands major changes in the nation's health care system to protect patients.

The groundbreaking report by the Institute of Medicine says there are ways to prevent many of the mistakes and sets as a minimum goal a 50 percent reduction in medical errors within five years.

The problem is less a case of recklessness by individual doctors or nurses than it is the result of basic flaws in the way hospitals, clinics and pharmacies operate, the report says.

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Killer stalked victim with Internet info

Killer debated whether to kill victim, a former high school classmate, on Web pages

BOSTON (AP) – Ever since junior high, Liam Youens had been obsessed with Amy Boyer. He kept Web pages where he wrote of perceived snubs and his desire to kill her, and used the Internet to find out all about her.

Last month, Youens, armed with a gun and the location of the dentist's office where Ms. Boyer worked, shot her to death, then killed himself.

The shootings took place Oct. 15 in Nashua, N.H., where Youens, 21, and his 20-year-old victim had gone to school together.

Youens' thoughts and plans are detailed in a police report drawn partly from the Web sites where he debated with himself whether to kill Ms. Boyer, kill another former classmate, or storm into Nashua High School and kill as many people as he could, The Boston Globe reported Monday.

Youens paid hundreds of dollars to online research services to determine Ms. Boyer's birth date, Social Security number, address and the location of the dentist's office.

"It's actually obscene (sic) what you can find out about people on the Internet," he wrote.

Ms. Boyer's stepfather, Tim Remsburg, said he is considering a lawsuit against Geocities and Tripod, the two online companies where Youens maintained his Web sites.

Though both graduated from Nashua High in 1997, friends and family say Ms. Boyer wasn't aware of Youens or his obsession with her.

Youens' online journal chronicles the one-way relationship, recounting a humiliating day when she brushed past him in the school lunchroom, and a Valentine's Day when he realized she had received a rose from a boyfriend.

He also recalled realizing in the 10th grade that he was in love with her, and deciding shortly thereafter to kill her and himself, the Globe said.

"That was the basic plan for the next half decade," he wrote.

But Youens, who dropped out of college after a year and was living at his parents' home, found it difficult to stalk Ms. Boyer, in part because she often was surrounded by family. So he turned to online research services to track her.

Remburg said he is angry that Geocities and Tripod didn't monitor their content and that Youens was able to use Internet companies including Docusearch and Infoseekers to hunt down Ms. Boyer's personal information.

Internet companies say monitoring content is not technologically feasible. Federal law protects Internet service providers from liability for material posted on Web sites.

A Tripod official said that almost no one visited Youens' site and that they would have told police about it had they seen it. Tripod officials said they destroyed Youens' site as soon as police notified them about it.

A Geocities spokesman refused to comment on Youens' site there.

A spokeswoman for one research agency told the Globe the information it sells is gathered from public sources such as court or motor vehicle records.



Mandy Marshall / Photo editor

Fetch, Ubu, fetch! Good dog!

David Mikes, a senior physical education major, plays fetch with his dog, Kodi, Monday afternoon near Campus Pond. Kodi, a 2-year-old Chocolate Labrador, wears out quickly but bounces back after his second wind. Mikes said he tries to take Kodi out everyday to keep him in shape.

Site of secret talks always held strange ties to Microsoft, Gates

WASHINGTON (AP) – Chicago, where lawyers plan to resume settlement talks Tuesday in the Microsoft antitrust trial, has played a crucial role in the software maker's successes of the past decade.

The same city where these negotiations could realign Microsoft's role in the nation's technology industry also was the company's internal code-name – "Chicago" – for its most important version of the Windows operating system software.

That software release, Windows 95, was the first to include Microsoft's Internet browser, code-named "O'Hare." It was a design decision aimed at stemming the raging popularity over a rival's Web software and an early precursor to the current landmark antitrust trial in Washington.

Lawyers were to meet Tuesday in Chicago for a single day with Richard Posner, the chief judge of the 7th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals, who has agreed to serve as mediator. A prime

question will be whether Microsoft should be allowed to continue including its Internet browser and other such features within Windows.

The meeting, an introductory session, will be followed by future, still-unscheduled talks, said a person who planned to participate but asked not to be identified.

Microsoft Chairman Bill Gates was not expected, although Chicago has strange ties to his past.

Microsoft negotiated a crucial alliance with IBM in Chicago in August 1994, a deal that promised unsurpassed cooperation between the high-tech titans and a dramatically lower price for Windows than IBM had been paying. It was a Gates olive branch to IBM, which believed Microsoft had deceived it in earlier dealings by promising to work on IBM's software but secretly promoting Windows.

Months later, IBM abruptly rejected the deal negotiated in Chicago. Government lawyers cited the offer as

they outlined their antitrust case in the Washington trial as an illegal attempt by Microsoft to persuade IBM not to compete.

When the trial judge, Thomas Penfield Jackson, determined this month that Microsoft was a monopolist whose actions hurt consumers and stifled innovation, he too cited the alliance that Microsoft sought to forge that summer in Chicago. The judge ruled that Microsoft had "used its monopoly power ... to punish IBM for its refusal to cooperate."

Three previous efforts, all in Washington, have failed to reach an out-of-court settlement since the trial started.

"The first day is just to scope out the differences," said Robert Litan. A former senior Justice Department official, Litan helped negotiate a related settlement with Microsoft during 1994 talks that lasted three weeks and were punctuated by shouting matches across the table.

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Family donates banned Chinese books to U of I

Asian Library to receive nearly 1,500 restored pieces of literature consisting of rare history, poetry books

CHAMPAIGN (AP) – Kung Chie Yeh was 20 years old in 1950 when he said goodbye to his father, mother and three sisters in Taiwan and boarded a flight to the United States.

That was the last time he saw his father.

Yeh, now 69 and a professor emeritus of electrical engineering at the University of Illinois, returned to Taiwan 14 years later – just after his father, Su-Chung Yeh, an educator and one-time minister of education in the Cheking province, had died.

“I had not seen my parents since I was 20, because at the time, immigration policies said any time you wanted to re-enter the U.S., you had to reapply for a visa,” Yeh explained. “I received a telegraph from my mother that said I should come back immediately. So I went

back, and my father had already died.”

In 1996, when Yeh’s mother died at the age of 94, her four children and their families – all of whom now live in the United States – decided to do something special in memory of their parents.

So in the names of Su-Chung and Aeshian Hsu Yeh, the family donated to the University of Illinois Asian Library copies of rare books that were banned in China during the Qing Dynasty.

“A lot of them are history and even poetry books that were banned,” said Karen Wei, head of the Asian Library.

The Asian Library expects to receive 300 volumes of the copied books, consisting of nearly 1,500 restored pieces of literature, over the next three years. So far it has received about half of the vol-

umes, valued at approximately \$22,000. The donation to the library from the Yeh family, and from various companies that gave matching funds, totals \$41,250.

Yeh said the gift was ideal because it honored his father’s intense fascination with Chinese literature. Thirty-nine years after his father’s death, Yeh said he still remembers the towering bookshelf next to his father’s bed filled with literature books with string bindings. His father read every one.

Yeh said his father loved writing and was a strong critic of the Chinese government.

Such tendencies would have gotten his work banned during the Qing Dynasty, when thousands of books were burned, banned and partially destroyed because of content that criticized the government.

Medical students win right to unionize

WASHINGTON (AP) – Medical students completing their training in private hospitals as residents, interns and fellows are entitled to form unions to negotiate wages and hours, a divided National Labor Relations Board has ruled.

The 3-2 decision overturned a 23-year precedent that had classified doctors-in-training as students, denying them collective bargaining rights.

“Interns, residents and fellows ... while they may be students learning their chosen medical craft, are also ‘employees’” protected under the National Labor Relations Act, the majority of board members said in their written decision, which was issued Nov. 26 but not made public until Monday.

Dr. Andrew Yacht, chief resident for internal medicine at Boston Medical Center, said many interns and residents were hopeful the board’s ruling will eventually bring some relief, for example, from the notoriously long hours – often 80 or more a week – they typically work.

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“Resident physicians deserve a voice in determining their working conditions in order to deliver the highest quality patient care.”

Andrew Yacht, chief resident for internal medicine at Boston Medical Center

“voice in determining their working conditions in order to deliver the highest quality patient care,” he said.

Mark Levy, executive director of the Committee of Interns and Residents, a Boston-based union that brought the case, said: “It’s part of our belief that these long hours ... have come about in part because residents can’t fight back.”

The NLRB decision cited other professions in which individuals serving in traineeships, such as associate lawyers and apprentice architects, are considered employees protected by federal laws.

Tobacco industry among most generous donors to Illinois officials

SPRINGFIELD (AP) – The same state officials who took big money from the tobacco industry must make big decisions about the industry’s future – a situation criticized by a consumer group Monday.

The Public Interest Research Group questioned whether officials could be impartial about the industry after accepting about \$1.6 million over the past six years.

“An individual citizen cannot make the contributions that a special interest like the tobacco industry can make, so it’s not really a level playing field,” said Gail Parson, a spokeswoman for PIRG.

But aides to legislative leaders deny the donations will translate into special consideration for the industry. In fact, they note, lawmakers raised tobacco taxes during the period studied by PIRG.

Illinois is one of 46 states that settled a national lawsuit against the industry, arguing that cigarettes created billions of dollars in additional health costs. Illinois stands to get about \$9 billion over the next 25 years.

Still unsettled is how Illinois will spend that money.

Some groups – such as PIRG and the American Lung Association – want at least

half the money spent on smoking-prevention programs, which could put a dent in tobacco sales.

Other proposals include spending half on more general health programs, investing the money or using it to provide tax cuts.

Campaign-finance expert Kent Redfield of the University of Illinois at Springfield analyzed political donations for PIRG. He found tobacco companies, their subsidiaries and trade associations gave state officials \$1,597,000 from 1993 through 1998.

About half that money went to the state’s four legislative leaders, who dole it out to

members needing help in their re-election campaigns. Gov. George Ryan also did well; he ran for office last year with the help of \$90,000 from the industry.

Associations such as teachers’ unions and the medical society give about that much during a single two-year election cycle, Redfield said, but few businesses can match tobacco’s total.

Still, aides to several legislative leaders say those donations will not affect the decision on spending the settlement money. Some suggested PIRG simply wanted to publicize its own spending plan.

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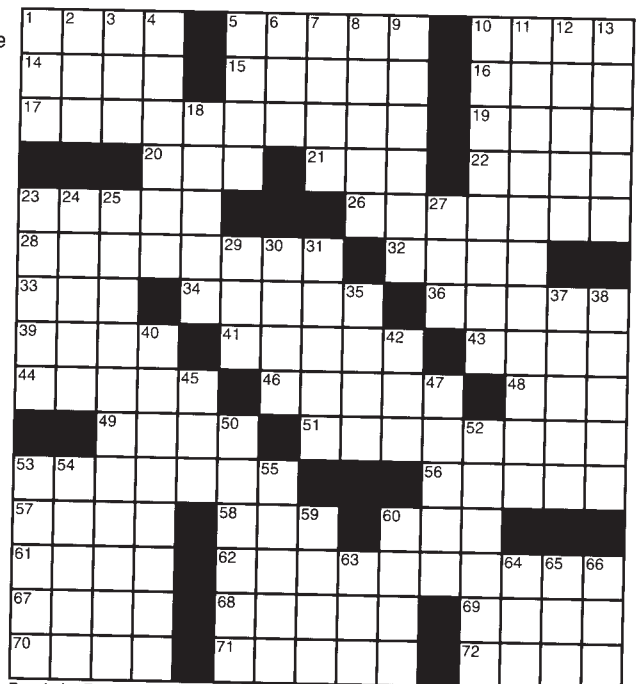
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Debut

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Eastern dominated every aspect of the inside game against Illinois College, out-rebounding the Blueboys 50-30 and having six players with five or more rebounds.

The game ended up being a total team effort with 12 Panthers getting some time and experience in a game situation.

"The starters tried to get something going so we could get the second string in there so they could get some solid minutes," freshman guard Craig Lewis said.

Eastern got everything they expected from the Blueboys.

"We got exactly what we anticipated, I thought our poise was good and I thought we were ready to play," Samuels said,

"I was worried about a non-emotional effort, but we kept our intensity level. We need these games to give ourselves confidence and that's just what we did."



Mandy Marshall / Photo editor

Panther forward Merve Joseph fights for a rebound in Monday night's 94-47 win over Illinois College. Joseph finished with six points and five rebounds.

Randall

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That is; however, different from giving up.

Trudging week in and week out through practice in a season that is all but over would make anyone want to just cut their losses and get out.

What kept the Panthers from

quitting? The coaches? Perhaps. The players? Possibly. A mixture of both? Yes. If either the coaches or the players quit, it spreads like a disease, and they both do.

This shows the class of Bob Spoo and his staff as well as the players themselves.

One might ask why Eastern would want to even try in the last few games, but what good does quitting do? It does not help build for next season with

players improving or gaining experience. All giving up would have done is leave an even worse taste in everyone's mouth.

Everyone involved with Eastern football, though winning only two games, showed the character and class of champions. They all played and coached better than what the record conveys, and if heart measured success, the Panthers would have been atop the national rankings.

Ruthhart

from Page 12

"We had a high intensity level and treated it as a big game like Iowa and Nebraska," Lewis said. "And we needed that to get prepared for these next two road games."

While the home opener against the Blueboys was as close as a race between Michael Johnson and William "The Refrigerator" Perry, it's something that every program does to gain confidence and get an early win, while concentrating on some fundamentals.

"When I made the schedule,

I'm thinking everyone else in the country is giving themselves a break, why not us?" Samuels said.

"I'm not embarrassed by it. We go on the road to make money and in return for that, we need games where we can have a game to gain a little confidence at home."

So while some of the loudest cheers of the night went to the six year-olds in oversized red and gold t-shirts at halftime, the Blueboy game was just another step the Panthers had to take this season.

Just like another gold medal for Johnson or another juicy cheeseburger on the Fridge's plate.

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MY PAST? I DON'T HAVE A PAST!

WE NEED TO FERRET OUT ANYTHING THAT CAN BE USED AGAINST YOU--SO WE'RE READY!

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by Mike Peters

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WOW... THEN LET'S GO BY THE ANIMAL SHELTER AND DO SOME WHEELIES!

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Despite early exit, season still a success

OVC Tourney loss does not take away from 21-10 finish

By Troy Hinkel
Staff writer

The ride is over for Eastern's volleyball team as its successful season ended in Cape Girardeau, Mo., at the Ohio Valley Conference Tournament.

The loss did not do justice to a successful team that finished with a 21-10 record and a second place showing in the OVC regular season.

After winning the OVC regular season championship last season, the Panthers had to rebuild with a new coach and had to regroup after the loss of the two All-OVC players.

"I don't think that we should be disappointed with a second place finish and a 21-10 record; however it would have been nice to take it to the next level and that level of course being the NCAA tournament," interim head coach Andrew Epperly said.

Eastern finished near the top of the NCAA in digs per game while playing dominating defense, along with a punishing offense.

Thirteen of the Panthers' 21 wins came in matches that Eastern won in three straight games.

The Panthers have to say goodbye to seniors Meleah Cutler and Cari Stuchly, both of whom played pivotal roles for the team.

Stuchly, along with junior Gen Ramos, ran the offense at the setter position while Cutler garnished first team All-OVC honors for the second year in a row as an outside hitter.

"Anytime you lose two starters it poses a lot of uncertainty, but I expect the girls we are bringing back and the addition of our



Mandy Marshall / Photo editor

Sophomore outside hitter Amy Heimann looks on as teammate Leslie Przekwas attempts a kill against Southeast Missouri State Oct. 12.

recruiting class will fill in nicely," Epperly said.

Stuchly finishes her career ranked eighth on the all-time assist board while Cutler is found near the top of most statistical cate-

gories.

"It's tough to see them leave because they made us feel welcome and they are huge role models that we will miss," Freshman Karen Liss said of her teammates.

Eastern has three juniors that will be expected to contribute as much, if not more, than they did this year.

One of the juniors, Ramos, led the team for the second year in a row, with 806 assists while Kim Blackwell finished the year with career highs in kills and digs. Erin Morrison will also be expected to increase her added offensive prowess.

"I expect leadership from the seniors next year because all three are capable of being vocal leaders," Epperly said.

One of the big surprises for the Panthers was the improvement of Leslie Przekwas who was selected to the second team All-OVC team after her stellar year. Przekwas was second on the team in kills and first in blocks.

Przekwas, along with other sophomores Kim DeMage, Amy Heimann and Marcia Hahn, played pivotal roles on the team offensively and defensively.

Coming into this season the recruits were going to be needed to step up early and play well, and fortunately for Eastern they did.

Karen Liss, from the start of the season, made her impact felt as she was named OVC Freshman of the Week four times and was named to the OVC All-Newcomer team.

"I think Karen has the ability to improve as a volleyball player, but she will have to work hard in the off season," Epperly said.

Liss holds the freshman record for kills in a season while she came up 18 short of holding the freshman dig record.

Liss was not the only freshman of influence as setter Stephanie Brandys used defensive tenacity to get OVC Freshman of the Week honors. Colette Walz and Gretchen Bennett will also be expected to contribute more in the future.

The season met many peoples' expectations as the view shifts to the future for Panther volleyball.

"I expect every year to be better and hopefully the team and I will learn from each other," said Epperly.

"I already have a hundred ways to make things better for next year."

Tourney loss marks end of season, career

By Kyle Bauer
Sports editor

It was not the storybook ending to a career that probably should have deserved better, but when the Panther volleyball team's season ended at the hands of Austin Peay in the Ohio Valley Conference Tournament a week ago, so did Meleah Cutler's career.

After the Panthers squandered an early two-game lead, they found themselves fighting to continue their season. The match went to a decisive fifth game, where it eventually ended on a kill attempt by Cutler that flew out of bounds.

"At least I got to end it," Cutler said of the closing of her career. "On that last play, I had a feeling

it was coming to me. There was a lot of emotion and frustration getting in the way and I hit it as hard as I could. At least I got to end it."

Cutler did have the opportunity to end her career. It was not quite the way she, or anyone else, expected it would have happened, but with one last kill attempt, it was over.

"I kind of knew toward the end of the last game we weren't going to win," Cutler said.

"I just kept thinking it is the last time I would ever be playing collegiate volleyball, but it had



Meleah Cutler

not really set in until I walked off the court and saw my dad."

After the game Cutler was met by the embrace of her father, who along with her mother had been present for virtually every match in her career.

"My mom and dad have been to all of my games since I was in seventh grade," she said.

"My family is a big support. After the game my dad basically told me I played the best game I could have played. And we lost the game, but it was not a bad game even though we lost."

That one error was an anti-climactic ending to a career that turned Cutler into one of the most respected offensive threats in the OVC.

Her kill and dig numbers were down a little this year compared

to previous seasons, but that is due in large part to conference teams keying in on her.

"Once we hit the conference season, Meleah was no longer a surprise," interim head coach Andrew Epperly said.

"They (OVC teams) are well aware of what she is capable of doing. They knew she was a big part of our offense so they made block adjustments and hitting adjustments. Those are some of the reasons why her offensive numbers were down."

Despite the extra attention from the opposition, Cutler still turned in a successful season in which she was just as much a vocal leader as a leader on the court.

"She was one of our primary passers," Epperly said. "She was

consistently one of the kill leaders as well as dig leaders. She was able to get us easy points with her jump serve. Right there is a few things that we will have to try and replace on the court."

While most of Cutler's teammates will prepare to make another run at that elusive OVC tournament title next season, Cutler is left with memories of falling just short of making the NCAA tournament in each of her four years at Eastern.

"I am happy with what I accomplished," Cutler said. "I have accomplished a lot of things I never thought I could have done. The only goal I didn't achieve was making it to the NCAA tournament. It was upsetting because I knew we had the team. We had all the talent."

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Charges against Rodman dropped

MIAMI BEACH, Fla. (AP) — Battery charges filed against Dennis Rodman and actress Carmen Electra after a night of partying in South Beach clubs ended in a fight at a hotel, have been dropped.

Attorney Roy Black said Monday that the fight was a disagreement "typical of what happens between a married couple."

"This simply wasn't a crime ... but because of their celebrity, everyone took notice," he said.

Rodman and Electra were charged with simple battery, a misdemeanor, after the fight Nov. 5 in which both received minor injuries.

Officers were called to the Miami Beach hotel where they were staying after receiving

reports of screaming and fighting. Rodman's shirt was torn and the room was in disarray when officers arrived.

Electra had a bruise on her arm, an injury to her left temple and a swollen lip when Rodman allegedly threw her purse at her face.

She also cut a toe on her left foot after being thrown outside the hotel room the two were sharing, according to the police report.

Rodman and Electra were arrested and later released on \$2,500 bail each after several hours in custody.

In addition to prosecutors dismissing the charges, the judge vacated an order for Rodman and Electra to stay away from each

other, Black said.

While in custody, Rodman, a seven-time NBA rebounding champion who has played for the Chicago Bulls, San Antonio Spurs and Detroit Pistons, had asked authorities to tell Electra that he was sorry he had overreacted and that he loved her, the police report said.

The couple has had an on-again-off-again relationship since their marriage last November in Las Vegas.

On April 7, publicist Matt Labov said divorce papers were filed in Los Angeles by Electra, a former star on the TV series "Baywatch" whose real name is Tara Leigh Patrick. The legal status of their marriage remains unclear.

national sports inbrief

Rose starts petition to end ban

NEW YORK (AP) — Pete Rose is launching an Internet petition and may sue baseball to end his lifetime ban.

"You can't keep a guy from making a living," he said Monday in an interview with The Associated Press. "It's not the American way."

Following an investigation of his gambling, baseball's career hits leader agreed in August 1989 to a lifetime ban from the sport.

He applied for reinstatement in September 1997 and while commissioner Bud Selig has said several times that he has seen no evidence that would make him change the ban, he hasn't formally responded to Rose.

Phillips awaits fate of union

NEW YORK (AP) — Richie Phillips finds out Tuesday whether his union has been thrown out by major league umpires.

The National Labor Relations Board is scheduled to announce the result of a month-long mail ballot that asked umpires whether they wanted to keep the Major League Umpires Association, which Phillips has headed since 1978, as their collective bargaining representative.

Following a petition filed by dissident umpires, mostly in the American League, all umpires were asked to chose among Phillips' union, a new union led by the dissidents or neither.

"Last time we did a head count, we had the numbers, but that was a while ago," Pat Campbell, a Phillips associate, said Monday.

"I absolutely think we will prevail. Regardless of what

guys' initial reactions were, when somebody sits down with a pencil or pen in hand, and thinks about the welfare of their family, thinks about the welfare of their career, I think it's going to be difficult for those people to give up a union many people say is among the best unions in sports, if not the country."

Cubs fill vacant coaching jobs

CHICAGO (AP) — The Chicago Cubs announced Monday they have filled the team's final two coaching vacancies, naming Oscar Acosta as pitching coach and Sandy Alomar as the bullpen coach.

Acosta, 42, has spent the last 12 years coaching in the minor leagues. This past season he managed the Cubs' Class A affiliate, the Lansing Lugnuts. The Midwest League team finished the regular season 73-67 and advanced to the semifinal series of the playoffs.

Alomar, 56, has worked for the past nine seasons in the Cubs' farm system as a roving infield instructor. After the 1999 minor league season he joined the Cubs as a coach for the final month of the season.

Stanford a worthy opponent for Badgers

MADISON, Wis. (AP) — Although Stanford might have just made it into the Top 25, Wisconsin coach Barry Alvarez said the Cardinal will be a worthy Rose Bowl opponent.

While the No. 4 Badgers took time off for the Thanksgiving holiday, Stanford was busy beating Notre Dame 40-37 Saturday in its first non-conference win this season.

"I'm impressed with what I see," Alvarez said of No. 22 Stanford. "They remind me of a team much like ours where it's obvious they have a tremendous chemistry on that team," he said. "They've got a lot of momentum going right now."

Scoreboard

EIU CALENDAR

Today
7 p.m. — Men's basketball vs. Illinois College, Lantz Gym

Wednesday
No events scheduled

NFL

AMERICAN CONFERENCE

East

W	L	T	
Indianapolis	9	2	0
Miami	8	3	0
Buffalo	8	4	0
New England	6	5	0
N.Y. Jets	4	7	0

Central

W	L	T	
Jacksonville	0	1	0
Tennessee	9	2	0
Pittsburgh	5	6	0
Baltimore	4	7	0
Cincinnati	2	10	0
Cleveland	10	0	0

West

W	L	T	
Seattle	8	3	0
Kansas City	6	5	0
Oakland	5	6	0
Denver	4	7	0
San Diego	4	7	0

NATIONAL CONFERENCE

East

W	L	T	
Washington	7	4	0
Dallas	6	5	0
Arizona	5	6	0
N.Y. Giants	5	6	0
Philadelphia	3	9	0

Central

W	L	T	
Detroit	7	4	0
Minnesota	7	4	0
Tampa Bay	7	4	0
Green Bay	5	5	0
Chicago	5	7	0

West

W	L	T	
St. Louis	9	2	0
Carolina	4	6	0
San Francisco	3	7	0
Atlanta	2	8	0
New Orleans	2	9	0

Monday's Results
*Green Bay at San Francisco

NBA

EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division

W	L	GB	
Miami	10	3	
Boston	7	7	3.5
New York	7	7	3.5
Orlando	7	7	3.5
Philadelphia	7	8	4
Washington	4	10	6.5
New Jersey	2	12	8.5

Central Division

W	L	GB	
Toronto	9	5	—
Charlotte	8	6	1
Milwaukee	8	6	1
Indiana	7	6	1.5
Cleveland	6	6	2
Detroit	7	7	2
Atlanta	5	9	4
Chicago	1	12	7.5

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Midwest Division

W	L	GB	
San Antonio	12	3	—
Minnesota	6	5	4
Utah	7	6	4
Denver	6	6	4.5
Dallas	5	9	6.5
Vancouver	3	10	8
Houston	3	11	8.5

Pacific Division

W	L	GB	
Sacramento	9	1	1.5
Portland	13	2	—
Seattle	10	3	2
L.A. Lakers	10	4	2.5
Phoenix	9	4	3
L.A. Clippers	4	9	8
Golden State	2	10	9.5

Monday's Results

Dallas at New York
Sacramento at Miami
Golden State at Utah
Indiana at Portland
Houston at Vancouver
Today's Games
Atlanta at Toronto, 6 p.m.
Washington at New Jersey, 6:30 p.m.
Dallas at Cleveland, 6:30 p.m.
Sacramento at Orlando, 6:30 p.m.
New York at Philadelphia, 7 p.m.
Denver at Minnesota, 7 p.m.
Detroit at San Antonio, 7:30 p.m.
L.A. Lakers at Seattle, 9 p.m.
Phoenix at L.A. Clippers, 9:30 p.m.

NHL

EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division

W	L	T	
Philadelphia	13	8	4
New Jersey	11	7	3
Pittsburgh	7	11	3
N.Y. Rangers	7	13	3
N.Y. Islanders	5	11	3

Northeast Division

W	L	T	
Toronto	13	9	3
Ottawa	13	9	2
Boston	11	7	6
Buffalo	10	11	2
Montreal	9	14	1

Southeast Division

W	L	T	
Florida	13	8	2
Carolina	10	8	6
Washington	9	9	4
Tampa Bay	8	12	2
Atlanta	5	14	2

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Central Division

W	L	T	
St. Louis	15	7	2
Detroit	14	7	3
Nashville	7	14	1
Chicago	5	14	4

Northwest Division

W	L	T	
Vancouver	10	8	6
Colorado	10	11	3
Edmonton	6	11	6
Calgary	8	13	2

Pacific Division

W	L	T	
Phoenix	15	6	3
Los Angeles	14	7	4
San Jose	13	11	3
Anaheim	12	11	2
Indiana	9	11	3
Overtime losses count as a loss and a regulation tie.			

Monday's Results

Washington at Toronto
Today's Games
Chicago at Ottawa, 6 p.m.
Pittsburgh at Buffalo, 6:30 p.m.
Dallas at N.Y. Islanders, 6:30 p.m.
Calgary at Carolina, 6:30 p.m.
Phoenix at Nashville, 7 p.m.
Colorado at Vancouver, 9:30 p.m.

COLLEGE

Football

Ohio Valley Conference

OVC	Overall
Tennessee State	7-0 11-0
Murray State	5-2 7-4
Eastern Kentucky	4-3 7-4
Western Kentucky	4-3 6-5
Tennessee Tech	4-3 5-5
Southeast Missouri	2-5 3-8
Eastern Illinois	2-5 2-10
Tennessee-Martin	0-7 1-10

Men's Basketball

OVC Standings

OVC	Overall
Southeast Missouri	0-0 2-0
Austin Peay	0-0 0-1
Middle Tennessee	0-0 1-0
Murray State	0-0 1-0
Morehead State	0-0 1-1
Tennessee State	0-0 0-0
Eastern Kentucky	0-0 0-1
Eastern Illinois	0-0 0-2
Tennessee-Martin	0-0 0-2
Tennessee Tech	0-0 0-2

Today's games

Christian Brothers at Tennessee-Martin, 7 p.m.
Illinois College at Eastern Illinois, 7:05 p.m.

Men's Top 25

Record	Pv
1. Cincinnati (55)	4-0
2. North Carolina (7)	3-0
3. Stanford (4)	5-0
4. Arizona (2)	4-0
5. Connecticut	3-1
6. Kansas	4-0
7. Auburn	2-1
8. Michigan St.	3-1
9. Texas	4-0
10. Temple	1-1
11. Florida	3-1
12. UCLA	2-0
13. Kentucky	3-1
14. Syracuse	3-0
15. Ohio St.	0-1
16. Illinois	2-0
17. Duke	3-2

Women's Top 25

Record	Pv
1. Connecticut (40)	4-0
2. Georgia (3)	6-0
3. Tennessee (1)	3-1
4. Louisiana Tech (1)	3-1
5. UCLA	2-1
6. N.C. State	5-0
7. Rutgers	2-1
8. Auburn	4-0
9. North Carolina	3-1
10. Illinois	5-1
11. Notre Dame	1-1
12. Iowa St.	2-1
13. Oregon	3-0
14. Penn St.	3-1
15. UC Santa Barbara	3-1
16. Texas Tech	3-0
17. Purdue	4-0
18. Kansas	3-0
19. Old Dominion	2-1
20. Stanford	2-1
21. Arizona	4-0
22. Duke	4-1
23. LSU	3-1
24. Boston College	4-2
25. Virginia Tech	2-2
25. Wisconsin	3-1
Others receiving votes: Mississippi St.	
31. Marquette 26, Tulane 23, Kentucky	
19, Xavier 15, Nebraska 11, Texas 11,	
Virginia 9, Michigan St. 7, Arkansas 6,	
Utah 6, Hawaii 3, Michigan 3,	
Arkansas St. 1, BYU 1, Ball St. 1,	
Florida 1, Saint Louis 1, Santa Clara 1	

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Well, they fought to the end

T rue, the 1999 football campaign for the Panthers is not one many want to remember, but two words can sum up the team perfectly – character and class.

Sure, Eastern went 2-10 through the seemingly never ending season, but one thing is certain, no one ever gave up.

In their final game on Saturday, it would have been all too easy for the Panthers to figuratively not even shown up for the Eastern Kentucky contest.

After all, the 24th-ranked Colonels were heavy favorites and were on the I-AA playoff bubble. Surely Eastern was out-matched and was just going to roll over and die, right? Wrong.

Eastern exploded in the first quarter with 14 points, but then saw its lead squandered going into the fourth. Here we go again. Yet another blown game. Well, actually, the Panthers finally proved that they could dig deep and close a game out.

It would have been easy for them to just say, "Screw it. Let's just get this over with and go home."

It shows true heart out of the team to battle to the very end, even though the season had gone sour weeks before.

Looking at the record alone does not do this team justice. O.K., wins and losses are the basis of success and failure, but at a closer glance, Eastern could have easily been 9-3.

Half of the Panther's 10 losses were decided by seven points or less, including heartbreaking losses to a powerful Illinois State team and bowl-bound University of Hawaii.

Really, Eastern was in all but the two games against Western Kentucky and Southern Illinois.

Second half debacles is really what killed the 100th season of Panther football. Eastern was outscored by almost 40 points in the second halves of games.

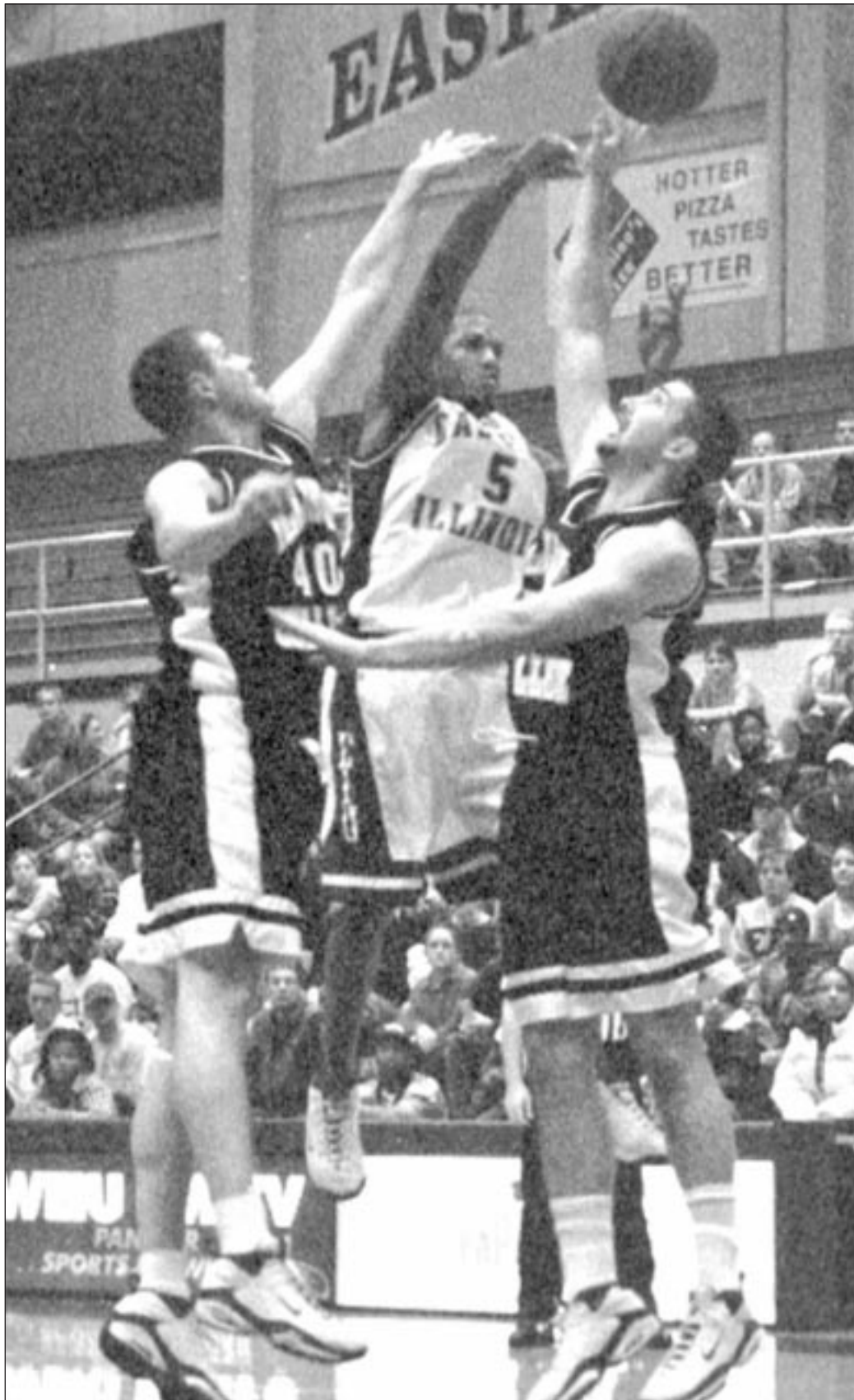
While this doesn't seem like much, it is devastating when the team was leading or within a touchdown at halftime.

Yeah, Eastern played some formidable I-A opponents, and yeah they played a few ranked teams in I-AA, including top-ranked Tennessee State.

Enough has been harped on about the tough schedule. The fact of the matter is that the Panthers simply didn't get it done on the field.

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Panthers take home debut

**Mandy Marshall** / Photo editor

Freshman guard Craig Lewis splits two Illinois College defenders in Monday night's home-opening win. Eastern dominated from the start, doubling their opponents offensive output.

Just another burger on the Fridge's plate

At halftime of Monday night's men's basketball home opener against Illinois College, the Charleston's Youth Rec Center's Little Shots got to play a game on the floor at Lantz Gymnasium.

The group of youngsters, about the ages of 6 or 7-years old scrambled up and down the court showing off their developing skills.

Watching youngsters play with a ball that was practically half the size of their body was one of the more entertaining points of the evening for the Panther fans. In fact, there may have been more competition in the halftime extravaganza than in the actual match-up between the Panthers and the Division III Blueboys.

Kyle Hill's three-pointer 22 seconds into the game gave Eastern an early 3-0 lead and that was about as close as the Blueboys would get to a win as the Panthers went on to rout the club from Jacksonville 94-47.

Now, I know what many of you are thinking ... If this game was such a joke on the floor,

then why play it? But Monday night's win did serve a purpose after opening the season with two losses on the road against Iowa and Nebraska.

"We needed that to take the frustration out after those first two games," senior center John Smith said. "We wanted to come out and play with high intensity and we knew we should have won that Nebraska game and that was a let down.

"So we wanted to get motivated to come play and take some frustration out on Illinois College and beat them as bad as we could," he said.

The blowout against the Blueboys allowed

Eastern routs ICC to earn first win of young season

By **Anthony Braviere**
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Coming off two disappointing losses to open the season, Eastern's men's basketball team ripped Illinois College 94-47 to get their first win of the season.

"We needed to get the frustration of the Iowa and Nebraska games out, and we took it out on Illinois College," John Smith said, "We didn't want to have a let down and play hard."

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The Panthers led from the tip-off to the final buzzer, fueled by scoring runs of 16 and 15 and a 33-11 spurt to end the game.

Eastern was led by Smith, a 6-foot-7-inch center who scored a career-high 24 points, including eight of Eastern's first 11 points. He was 8 of 11 from the floor, and 8-8 from the charity stripe while grabbing seven rebounds. "Getting the ball inside was something coach mentioned in practice before the game," Smith said,

"We wanted to do that because we didn't get that done in the Nebraska game."

After limping out to a 19-12 lead with 13:51 left in the first half, the Panthers ran off 16 unanswered points, sparked by threes from Kyle Hill and Marc Polite to make the score 35-12 in Eastern's favor.

Despite six points in the last seven minutes of the half by Illinois College's Chad Tobin, Eastern went into the locker room up 44-25.

The second half opened up with Smith dominating the Blueboys, scoring eight of Eastern's first 15 points in the second half, as the Panthers had a 17-4 run to start the second half.

Smith wasn't the only bright spot on a Panther squad which put up 94 points. Freshman guard Henry Domercant kept Eastern's intensity level up, scoring 17 of his 19 points in the second half, while adding five offensive rebounds for the Panthers.

Hill ended up with 15 points in the game, shooting three of five from behind the arc. Polite chipped in 11 to round out the double-figure scorers for the Panthers.

See **DEBUT** Page 9**Sudden Death****Bill Ruthhart**Associate sports editor
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the Panthers to regain an important attribute – confidence. After opening the season against two tough teams on the road, the 47-point victory gave Eastern the chance to get its first win of the season.

"A game like that gives John Smith a career high and a little confidence and allows Marc Polite to make some open jump shots which we know he can," head coach Rick Samuels said. "The bad part of a game like that is if we didn't play hard and someone makes a game of it, then it's a tough deal."

Basically, if the Panthers show up and play hard it's an automatic "W". But after two big games at Iowa City, Iowa and Lincoln, Neb., most would think it would be pretty difficult to get prepared for the winless Blueboys. But getting motivated was not an issue Monday night.

"We were pretty motivated before the game," true freshman Craig Lewis said. "I'd say we were even a little more excited than before the Nebraska game."

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