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REVEALING WWII

Students and community members will be able to learn more about the European side of WWII at an upcoming tour presented by The Academy of Lifetime Learning

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STAT ATTACK

Eastern's women's basketball team won its latest game and Sabina Oroszova set a record for blocks.

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CAMPUS | STRIKE

Eastern workers to avoid union strike

By **Stephanie Markham**
Administration Editor

The local chapter of the American Federation for State, County and Municipal Employees that includes Eastern employees has not been a part of the ongoing state negotiations that led the union to instruct its members to prepare for a strike.

AFSCME recently sent a memo telling its members to prepare for a strike because of negotiations with the Quinn administration that would eliminate pay increases and increase healthcare premiums.

Peggy Kuhn, a building service worker and president of AFSCME Local 981, said the local union already has contracts in place, and the state negotiations do not affect them.

"We are kind of different because we do work for a university," she said. "Because we're in a civil service so we are separate from state bargaining itself."

Local 981 Unit A and Unit B employees signed a four-year contract with the university Sept. 15, 2011 that lasts until Sept. 14, 2015, and the Local 981 clerical-technical unit signed a three-year contract that lasts from July 1, 2012, to June 30, 2015.

Unit A employees include foodservice sanitation workers, cooks and cook helpers.

Unit B employees include building service workers, locker room attendants, mail messengers, maintenance workers, building service subforemen, electricians, pest controllers, building mechanics, storekeepers and route drivers.

Clerical-technical employees include office workers.

Kuhn said the two divisions have separate contracts because their employees deal with specific situations, but they are both under the same union and the same president.

Kuhn said she was nominated to fill in as president of Local 981 until the union can have elections to replace Tony Craig, the former president who resigned last month.

Kuhn said she has been a member of AFSCME for 21 years.

She said the state negotiations are affecting high school teachers who are members of AFSCME.

"They're the ones having the problem right now because they have a contract with the state," she said. "Our contract is already been settled, and we're OK with our contract."

Kuhn said Eastern's AFSCME employees typically do not have many problems with the contract, and when problems arise they can usually be settled locally in a meeting.

She said the state negotiations are also affecting AFSCME employees in places like the unemployment offices, human services, prisons and park districts.

She said these issues have led to the closings of seven unemployment offices, including the office in Mattoon, which will close in March.

"My daughter will be without a job because the state is broke and the only way they can see to fix anything is to start cutting workers out," she said.

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CAMPUS | TUTORING



DOMINIC BAIMA | THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

Jessie Helf, a freshman mathematics major with teacher certification, and Rachel Dorris, a freshman chemistry major, work on submitting Helf's documentation showing that she worked her shift during the Homework Heroes study tables Monday in the lobby of Carman Hall. Helf said that no one showed up to get home work help and she thought it was because not many people knew about the program yet.

'Heroes' to tutor peers

Students help others in all academic areas

By **Samantha McDaniel**
Student Governance Editor

The University Housing and Dining Services Office is connecting students with their peers to receive help in different academic areas.

Homework Heroes is a program that connects residence to receive help with homework or studying from the different academic fields.

Aseret Gonzalez, a graduate student, said Homework Heroes will provide an academic network for students on campus.

"We wanted to provide an on-campus academic network where students could help each other with whatever area they feel comfortable," Gonzalez said.

She said students from all areas can help students with the different aspects of their discipline.

Jacob Knight, the area director of Lincoln, Stevenson and Douglas halls, said this is an informal setting to get help.

"Homework Heroes is an informal tutoring opportunity," Knight said. "These are students that are very successful in certain classes and are willing to help out other students who are taking

those classes."

Gonzalez said the students can provide the times they are available and what location they would like to help.

The tables are available at the Carman, Thomas, and Taylor halls classrooms.

The schedule of the available times is available through the Student Success Center and outside of the classroom, she said.

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CAMPUS | NEW PROGRAM

Student Today Alumni Tomorrow to connect graduates, students

By **Stephanie Markham**
Administration Editor

Eastern students and graduates will be able to stay connected through the Student Today Alumni Tomorrow program being started by alumni services.

Erin Clemons, the assistant director of alumni services, said STAT would have various networking and social events to encourage students to stay involved.

She said the formation of STAT would be launched at

the Student Philanthropy Day events from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the Bridge Lounge of the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union.

Clemons said students would be able to sign thank-you cards and a banner for alumni who have given back to Eastern and leave a video message for a more personal touch.

"The goal is to raise awareness of philanthropy and get students used to the idea of giving back not just financially but through

activities as well," she said.

She said the video would be included on the student alumni website, which is being upgraded to include alumni spotlight videos and a list of events.

Clemons said the STAT would be forming an initial steering committee of student members to help promote the upcoming events, including student-alumni roundtable discussions, a Grad Bash and a Cubs outing in Chicago.



Lisa Denson-Rivers, the direc-

tor of commencement and annual funds, said she would be telling seniors about the 2013 class gift during the Student Philanthropy Day events.

She said the 2013 graduating class will be asked to donate \$20.13 over the next three years, and the funds would go to the presidential leadership fund, which contributes to general scholarships and program support.

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CAMPUS | ACADEMY OF LIFETIME LEARNING

European side of WWII exposed

Jordan Kessler
Staff Reporter

Community members will have the opportunity to take a step back in history and learn about the European side of World War II.

Eastern's Academy of Lifetime Learning is offering community members a chance to learn more about World War II history with "Tour European WWII Sites."

The tour is hosted by Dan Crews, director of patron services at the Doudna Fine Arts Center.

Crews said the lecture will focus more on a close-up look at the war rather than the big-picture overview.

He also said he hopes that the lecture will inspire people to organize a trip to World War II battle-field sites and historic locations this summer.

"There are a great number of people who appreciate the history associated with the Second World War, but the talk is basically seeing if there is enough interest to see if anyone would be interested in traveling to Western Europe," he said.

The lecture will be at 10 p.m. Tuesday in Blair Hall, Room 3180.

The cost is \$20 for academy members and \$40 for non-members.

Crews said he has always been interested in World War II history since both his father and stepfather spent time on the frontlines of the war.

"As my interest grew, I wanted to learn more about the details of his time in the 95th Infantry Division," he said.

Crews said his father joined the army in 1942 following the attack on Pearl Harbor.

"He started fighting in North Africa and participated in the invasion of Sicily and Italy," Crews said.

His father remained in the army and served in the Korean War until retiring from the army in 1960,

What: Tour European WWII sites

When: 10 p.m. Tuesday

Where: Blair Hall, Room 3180

Cost: \$20 for academy members
\$40 for non-members

Crews said. His stepfather started fighting in Europe in 1944 as a 19-year-old infantry soldier.

"He spent nearly 100 continuous days on the frontline fighting in France, Belgium and Germany," Crews said. "By the age of 20 my stepfather had spent over six months in combat."

Crews said learning about the World War II has always been more of a hobby.

"During my time as a graduate student, during my early 40s, I started interviewing World War II veterans," he said, "I greatly regret never interviewing my father or stepfather."

Crews said he has taken three different trips to World War II sites in France, Belgium, Luxembourg, Holland and Germany.

"Once I visit a site or location I have read about, it provides a better understanding of that event," Crews said.

Crews said since the average age of World War II veterans is the mid 80s and 90s, the nation could quickly lose insight into that time period.

"We are losing that generation rapidly," Crews said. "A number of books (that) have been written by these aging vets provide fascinating insight into the events of that time."

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CITY | FIVE MILE HOUSE

Historical cooking class canceled

By Dominic Campo
Staff Reporter

Two local women are keeping the pioneering days alive in Charleston by teaching others to cook and live like the settlers in the 1800s.

Kathy Hummel and Gail Casey, both of Charleston, have been volunteering at the Lincoln Log Cabin and the Five Mile House for more than 14 years, working in the kitchen and teaching others to cook and sew like the pioneering women long ago.

Hummel and Casey have taught a class on woodstove and fireplace hearth cooking at the Five Mile House once a year.

Marita Metzke, the coordinator for the Academy of Lifelong Learning, said the class, which was supposed to be hosted on Tuesday, was canceled because of a lack of attendance.

"The Academy of Lifelong Learning sponsors events such as this one so that citizens of the community that are 50 or older have an opportunity for enrichment, education and socialization," she said.

The cost for attending the event was \$25 for members of the Academy of Lifelong Learning and \$50 for non-members.

Attendees were allowed to bring one guest to share a meal with at the end of the class.

Hummel said she and Casey have taught the class for three years, and this is the first time they have had to cancel it.

"It's very disappointing that we have to cancel the event this year," Hummel said.

The event would have includ-

ed lessons on how to cook savory stew, apple crisp, mulled cider and johnnycake, which is a form of cornbread, using a woodstove and a fireplace.

Hummel said besides teaching participants how to cook on a woodstove, she and Casey would teach them songs from the era such as "Jimmy Crack Corn."

"While the food is bubbling away,

"We really like old-timey things and want to share our passion with others."

-Kathy Hummel, Lincoln Log Cabin and Five Mile House volunteer

we teach attendees how to sew pockets, which weren't part of everyday clothing in the 1800s, and listen

to music from that era," she said.

They said they hope to have the event in early spring next year in order for a higher turnout, citing the cold weather as a possible cause for the low attendance this year.

Hummel said anyone interested in this type of cooking is welcome to go to the Five Mile House every other Sunday between Memorial Day and Veterans Day.

The establishment has cooking demonstrations, speakers and music free of charge for all age groups; although, donations are accepted and greatly appreciated, she said.

"The Five Mile House is the oldest establishment in Charleston," Hummel said. "The establishment was built in the 1830s and has went through many owners since then."

The establishment has been a blacksmith shop, a stagecoach depot and even a home at times, she said.

"We really like old-timey things and want to share our passion with others," Hummel said.

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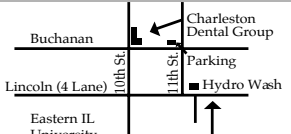
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DOMINIC BAIMA | THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

Ryan Frew, a junior kinesiology and sports studies major, blocks the shot of Matt Strubhart, a senior accounting major, during an intramural basketball game Monday at the Student Recreation Center. Frew plays for the Prema-ture Shooters and Strubhart plays for the Purple Cobras.

CAMPUS | DOUDNA FINE ARTS CENTER

Live performance to explore rock 'n' roll

By Allie Fiedler
Staff Reporter

A live performance will help segue Eastern and Charleston community members into the next segment of the America's Music program: rock 'n' roll.

Eastern's audio director Mark Rubel will be discussing and performing examples of the rock genre at 7p.m. Tuesday in the Lecture Hall of the Doudna Fine Arts Center.

Rubel, a music instructor, said America's Music Program will be continuing with an evening, beginning with a brief introduction on rock 'n' roll. The introduction will lead to an hour-long film on the history of the genre during the '65 to '67 era.

Beth Heldebrandt, an editorial writer for Booth Library, said this was such an important era because this was when rock started to go electric.

Following the movie, Rubel said he plans to lead an interactive discussion among the audience members.

Rubel, who is a bass player, said music is the fabric of his life.

He said he has always had a love for music and has always been extremely passionate about it.

To end the evening, he said he will perform three rock 'n' roll songs along with his band members.

"You don't have to be a music major to get something out of it," she said.

Rubel said there are many different aspects of music, which is one of the reasons why he is so passionate about it.

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CAMPUS | AWARDS

The DEN wins awards at ICPA conference

Staff Report

Members of *The Daily Eastern News* and the publication as a whole won 15 awards at the 2013 Illinois College Press Association conference in Chicago.

The conference took place Feb. 22-23, and hosted educational sessions for university journalists from across the state.

Rachel Rodgers, editor-in-chief of *The News*, said the publication was honored to receive the awards and that the experience helps motivate the staff.

"It was great for our staff to get such recognition from the conference," she said. "It reinforces the hard work that we put into the paper on a daily basis."

As well, Rodgers said the awards illustrated the strength of Eastern's journalism program.

"(The awards) also allow us to stand out from other universities in the same category and showcase what the journalism program at Eastern has to offer."

Awards *The News* and individual staff members received for work done in 2012 are:

- First place, front-page layout, staff;
- First place, column excluding sports, Danny Damiani;
- First place, photo essay, Danny Damiani;
- First place, sports game story, Alex McNamee;
- Second place, critical film review, Kimberly Foster;
- Second place, spot news photo, Danny Damiani;
- Second place, sports news story, Alex McNamee;
- Second place, entertainment supplement, Colleen Harrigan and Sara Hall;
- Third place, editorial writing, Dominic Renzetti;
- Third place, general news photo, Dominic Baima;
- Third place, graphic illustration, Shelley Holmgren
- Honorable mention, sports photo and multimedia reporting, Danny Damiani
- Honorable mention, sports feature story, Alex McNamee
- Honorable mention, online news site, Sara Hall
- Honorable mention, sports page design, Ashley Holstrom

ONLINE | PODCAST

Hear Online Editor Sara Hall, Staff Reporter Nike Ogunbodede, Sports Editor Anthony Catezone and Managing Editor Tim Deters talk about the use of the words f****t and n****r in society today at dailyeasternnews.com.

CORRECTION

In Monday's edition of *The Daily Eastern News*, in the article "Campus Brief: 'Pizza with the Prez' canceled," the reporter was given incorrect information. The meeting was canceled because of miscommunication with co-sponsors in booking rooms and other aspects. *The News* regrets the error.

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Response to column is bullying at its best

After reading Nick Anderson's letter ("Letter to the Editor: Keep quiet about body building"), I was disheartened that *The DEN* would publish this letter.

This is an example of bullying at its best.

As an openly gay staff member, I found this letter to be an attack on an editorial that was clearly venting about machismo.

There is a fine line between politely expressing an opinion and personally attacking a person, as well as making accusations on one's sexuality.

In light of recent events on campus, I would think *The DEN* would use better judgment on publishing demeaning letter to the editor.

Danielle Green

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Letters to the editor can be brought in with identification to *The DEN* or to the DENopinions@gmail.com.

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Do you think the Eastern men's basketball team will qualify for the Ohio Valley Conference tournament?

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DRAWN FROM THE EASEL



DOMINIC RENZETTI | THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

STAFF EDITORIAL

Eastern should prioritize students' safety

Eastern's decision to replace the EIU Code Blue Emergency Phones in the next week or so has both pros and cons to the campus community.

Nineteen of the original phone systems around campus will be replaced at a cost of \$1,040 apiece.

While the phone system is important, the revelation that they are used more for pranks than anything else should be a bit of a red flag to Eastern's administrators.

Though it is good that Eastern is continuing its efforts to keep campus safe, administrators need to evaluate if replacing these phones is really in the best interest of the university financially.

Nineteen of the original phones will be replaced, along with an additional brand new one to be installed sometime soon.

Security is always relevant on campus, but the method it is provided needs to be kept in mind in an age when cell phones are so prominent.

Almost all college-aged students have cell phones and are likely to use them in the event of an emergency.

However, in the case when a cell phone is not in an easy-to-reach place, rushing to a blue emergency pole is ideal.

Clay Hopkins, the director of telecommunications, said a rush order was placed on these phones, and this will help ensure students' safety.

OUR POSITION

- **Situation:** Eastern's Code Blue Emergency Phones are being replaced.
- **Stance:** These poles are an important part of campus safety, but should be used seriously.

If this amount of money is being spent to replace the phones, students and the staff who maintain and use them should respect the phones.

The phones are and will continue to be conveniently located, but are not to be taken lightly. Making a call from one of the phones

is the equivalent to calling 911, so students should take the matter seriously.

Hopkins said most of the calls made from the emergency phones in recent years have been pranks.

Prank phone calls were funny as children, but at this age, students should be more mature. The phones should never be considered a toy or the subject of a prank. Students are told many times when they come to campus that the phones should only be used in a dire emergency.

They are an exceptional selling point for Eastern, and they are a good talking point for campus tours and helping new students feel safe.

If nothing else, the poles should be a source of comfort to students walking on campus at night, and they should appreciate the university's efforts to keep us feeling safe.

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

Celebrate Women's History and Awareness Month

The host for 85th Academy Awards was the very hilarious and talented Seth MacFarlane who, many say, has mastered the art of stale and outdated straight, white-guy humor.

Never one to disappoint, his opening number, "We Saw Your Boobs," was an excellent appetizer to the feast of degradation women faced in the rest of his performance.

It is true that his particular brand of humor spares no minority, but the explicitly sexual attacks on women are part of a larger trend not limited to a single Oscar ceremony, or even a single comedian.

Only a few weeks ago a high school football coach in Alabama was suspended for making derogatory references to the First Lady's posterior, an offense both sexist and racially charged.

From politics and business to space travel and armed services, recent history has seen women make incredible strides in leadership.

Yet women are still vastly outnumbered in many arenas of professional life, and are still



Mia Tapella

threatened by sexual victimization.

The abasement and sexualization of women in the media plays an important role in informing our ideas about women as leaders, and it is up to us to understand the impact of media on our culture.

Next month is Women's History and Awareness Month, and as good a time as ever to start educating ourselves about what our culture and media representatives say about who we are.

Starting this week, with the help of the Women's Resource Center and the Central Illinois Feminist Film Festival, educate your-

self through one of the many events planned on campus, including a documentary screening with an introduction by yours truly at 6 p.m. Wednesday in the Doudna Lecture Hall.

For a complete event schedule, see the Women's History Month page on the Women's Studies department website.

- Wednesday, Doudna Lecture Hall 4 p.m. showing of "The Headless Woman" (2008).
- 6 p.m. showing of "Miss Representation" (2011).
- 7:30 p.m. Friday, Tarble Arts Center Atrium A Concert of Women's Music by Elaine Fine and John David Moore
- 4:30 p.m. Monday, Carnegie Public Library Living History Program Presentation

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The schedule of the available times is available through the Student Success Center and outside of the classroom, she said.

Mark Hudson, the director of University Housing and Dining Services, said they have a lot of programs that encourage students to attend class and seek resources available to them.

Gonzalez said many students are willing to help, outside of the tutors within the specific department.

Students who teach can also use the hours as service hours, Gonzalez said.

"It is a way to actually make the most of your college experience academically," Gonzalez said. "In addition, it is helping other students who find a certain subject or area they are in difficult."

The program will allow them to seek out those students who do not find the subject difficult, she said.

"It is usually the basic stuff that student are looking for," Gonzalez said. "I'm not a math person, so I can go onto the Student Success Center and find someone who is and when they are available."

The program is not allowed to call the participants tutors because academic departments already have their tutors, Gonzalez said.

"It is more students who are willing to help one another by facilitating study tables," she said.

Gonzalez said students who teach other people a subject become more proficient in that area.

She said she wanted to have a program like this because it introduces students to each other.

"You are building your network," she said.

She said there are classrooms in most residence halls and thought this would be a good use of them.

"You can go down stairs in your residence hall and meet other students and work on any academic project," Gonzalez said.

Each classroom will have information about time management and procrastination.

She said each classroom will have a binder with the schedule of Homework Heroes and the tutors for each academic areas.

Students who want to sign up as a Homework Hero can email Gonzalez with their availability and location at agonzalez4@eiu.edu.

She said students have resources in the halls and she wants to help students find them.

"It brings community to the students," Gonzalez said.

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CAMPUS | STUDENT SENATE

Senate to discuss Blue out the House

By **Samantha McDaniel**
Student Governance Editor

The Student Senate members will vote on a bill for Blue out the House at the Saturday basketball games during their meeting on Wednesday.

The Student Senate will meet at 7 p.m. Wednesday in the Arcola/Tuscola Room of the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union.

Student Senate member Cassandra Kasprowicz, the student affairs committee chairperson, said the proposal for the event requests \$1,000 for T-shirts and marketing.

The event will cost more than \$4,000, and Kasprowicz said they have other sponsors that are covering the rest of the cost.

The senate members will be giv-

ing out an iPad, spirit prizes, T-shirts and dining dollars.

"We are trying to get students out to participate and support the student-athletes," Kasprowicz said.

She said they want to also record a Harlem Shake video, a dance video by the musician Baauer that has been trending on the internet, to use as promotion for Eastern.

The Student Senate members will also be discussing the next step for the tobacco-free campus proposal.

Student Senate Speaker Mitch Gurick, a sophomore business major, said they will talk about what was said at the forum Wednesday.

Jesse Green, a Student Senate member, will write the bill after the meeting with the decision of the members.

"We will be discussing what our

step moving forward is going to be with that," Gurick said.

He said each member will discuss what they think about the forum and what they want done.

Student Body President Kaci Abolt, a senior communication studies major, said she will present the first draft of the student government budget for the next school year.

She said she was supposed to present the budget to the Apportionment Board on Feb. 21, but the meeting was canceled because of the weather.

Abolt said now she will be able to get feedback from the Student Senate members before she presents.

"I'll be outlining what that process is going to look like for student government's budget and also

explain the budget in detail," Abolt said.

She said she will change minor things before the Apportionment Board meeting on Thursday if there are significant reasons for the change.

"I was planning on running it by senate anyway this week, but technically I would have already presented it to AB, so this gives Student Senate members an opportunity to have input on it," Abolt said.

She said she will also be looking for a representative for the committee on reinstatement for the summer.

The committee reviews petitions for reinstatement to the university.

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"You're a student for a very short period of time, but you're an alum forever," she said. "So it's important that alumni continue to support the campus and make sure (they are) giving financial contributions as well so students here can have the same basic education and opportunities

that students before them had."

She also said Student Philanthropy Day would be a good starting point for the faculty-staff campaign running March 4 through June 30.

Denson-Rivers said a benefit of staying in touch with alumni is the opportunity for career networking.

"A lot of alumni find they get their first job through a networking or mentoring program, so it's important to stay connected and en-

gaged with the campus and each other," she said.

Clemons, who majored in communication studies at Eastern and graduated in 2008, said she got her first position by networking with other alumni.

"Part of the thing I liked about coming here was the small class sizes," she said. "I kept in touch with my professors and never fully left."

Clemons said she is proud to be

an alumnus and looks forward to providing opportunities for other students.

"I know what it's like to be a student and a professional in the real world," she said. "I definitely would have appreciated having the chance to bridge that gap."

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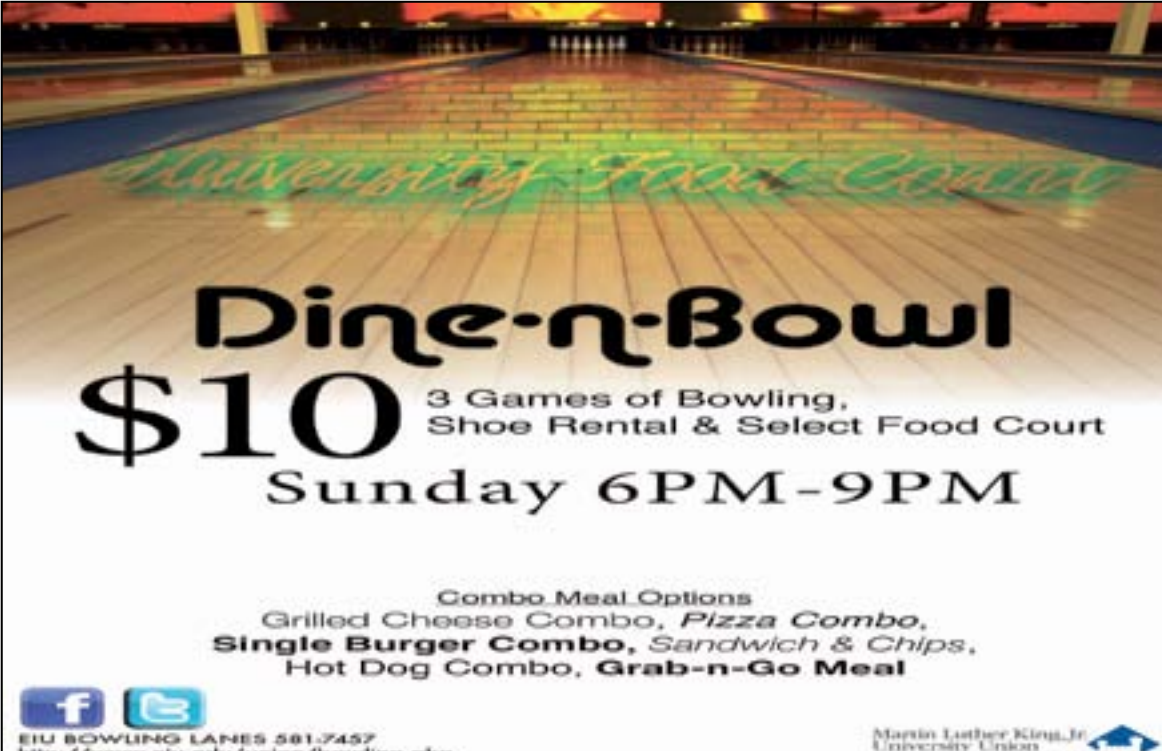
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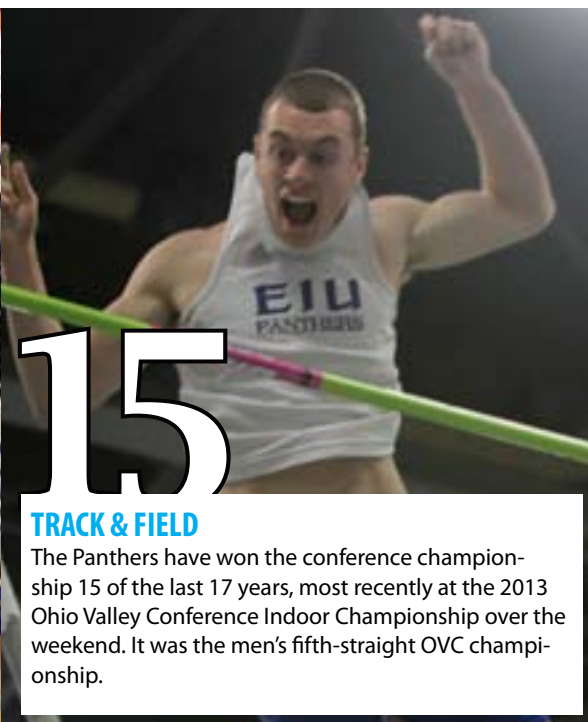
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WOMEN'S BASKETBALL
Sophomore forward Sabina Oroszova broke the Eastern women's basketball team's single-game record for blocks with seven in the win over Austin Peay. The previous record was six, held by Rachel Galligan (2005), Laura Mull (1987) and Toni Collins (1982). Oroszova ranks sixth in Eastern single-season blocks with 43. She is also second in the conference in blocks this season.

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TRACK & FIELD
The Panthers have won the conference championship 15 of the last 17 years, most recently at the 2013 Ohio Valley Conference Indoor Championship over the weekend. It was the men's fifth-straight OVC championship.



49.91

SWIMMING
Junior Colin McGill of the Eastern men's swim team set a new record for the 100-backstroke, 49.91, at the Summit League Championships over the weekend. He is the first Panther to swim it in under 50 seconds. McGill placed third in the event and earned All-Summit League individual honors.

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WOMEN'S BASKETBALL
Belmont scored 43 points against the Eastern women's basketball team Saturday. The Panthers beat the Bruins 60-43 in Lantz Arena. It tied the lowest points given up by Eastern against a Division-I opponent this season. Eastern beat Austin Peay 68-43 on Jan. 19. Eastern held Belmont to 24.2 percent shooting and 14.3 percent from 3-point range.

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IEWS

The elephant in the room



Alex McNamee

I touched base last week in a story about the senior class of the Eastern women's basketball team starting to break records.

It is something that, coming into this season, I knew would happen. This year's class may be the best the program has ever had, especially if wins are an identifier — they have the most in program history and are not done yet.

But it got me thinking about an underplayed aspect of this women's basketball season — pressure and expectations on this team to win.

Of the three programs that got a new head coach in the last year, the women's basketball team maintained the highest expectations.

This was for two reasons: the new head coach was Eastern's head assistant before that and the team only lost one player.

Head coach Lee Buchanan has mentioned the word "pressure" to me only a handful of times this season, but he mentioned it after Saturday's win over Belmont.

One of the things we take for granted, I think, is that the women's basketball team expects to win the Ohio Valley Conference annually.

Though the Panthers don't, they are routinely the best program at this school.

With that come high expectations.

The Panthers clinched the OVC's West Division Saturday, but the coaches and players downplayed the celebration of that feat after the game.

It is only a step in the right direction. It gets them to the semifinals of the OVC Tournament, automatically, meaning they'll only have to win one game to get to the title game — and win two to win it all.

It is an easier road than, say, the Eastern men's basketball team, which if it makes the tournament it has to win three games in three days to advance to the title game.

That is a tough ladder to climb.

But it was pointed out to me Monday that the women's basketball team has a tendency to go one-and-done in the tournament.

This fact has not escaped me, having seen it first-hand the past two seasons.

There was just something about this season, though, even with a "new" head coach.

This senior class will leave Eastern as the most accomplished class of all time, regardless of what happens from here on out.

Kelsey Wyss is the greatest three-point shooter in Eastern history, breaking the record a week ago.

Ta'Kenya Nixon will be the greatest free throw shooter in Eastern history by making one more free throw.

She is scary close to being the greatest scorer in Eastern history, too.

The lasting conclusions for Mariah King and Sydney Mitchell are still up in the air, but they will be finalized soon.

At the very least, both are 1,000-point scorers.

More is expected of these four, though, and I do not know if that is a good thing or a bad thing. Will they thrive in the pressure? Nobody can answer that yet.

But they know the pressure is there.

Also, they know none of the records or praise matters if they cannot win the last game of the season, in Nashville, at the OVC Tournament.

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SOFTBALL | GAME RECAP

Panthers finish runner-up

Softball team improves to .500 after Classic

By Jack Sheehan
Staff Reporter

The Eastern softball team finished runner-up in its four-game stint at the Louisville Cardinal Classic in Kentucky over the weekend.

The Panthers went 3-1, improving to 4-4 overall.

They did exactly what they came in hoping to do: won three out of four games at the Classic with good pitching and timely hitting.

In their first game action of the weekend, the Panthers faced off against the Buffalo Bulls on Saturday morning.

The Panthers got ahead of the Bulls early and never looked back, scoring three runs in the first inning thanks to a double off the bat of sophomore Hannah Cole, which drove in two Panther runs.

Eastern scored another run in the third inning on a double by junior Brooke Owens, putting them ahead 4-0.

That was all the run support junior Hanna Mennenga would need in the circle, pitching a complete game for the Panthers and earning the win.

Mennenga had 14 strikeouts in the game while only allowing one run on the only hit for the Bulls, a seventh-inning home run by junior Andi Saucier.

"In the first game we jumped on them as soon as the game started," Mennenga said. "When we do that, it gets everyone more excited and into the game."

The Panthers continued their success at the classic as the day went on, beating the Kent State Golden Flashes 1-0 behind the pitching of junior Stephanie Maday.

The game went into extra innings before junior Carly Willert singled in the game-winning run to left field, scoring freshman Haylee Beck.

Maday earned the win in eight innings of scoreless work, allowing only three hits and striking out four.

The Panthers kept their success rolling in Sunday's games.

Eastern rallied in its first game of the day against Buffalo, coming back from two down in the sixth inning to win the game 7-6 and to keep the undefeated weekend alive.

Cole continued her hot weekend at the plate with what proved to be the game-winning 2-RBI double in the sixth inning, scoring Willert and senior Melise Brown.

A combination of Maday, Mennenga and junior Janele Robinson pitched in the game for the Panthers, with Mennenga earning the win.

In the final game of the Classic, the Panthers faced off against the tournament host, number 18 ranked Louisville Cardinals.

Although the Panthers were blanked by Big



DOMINIC BAIMA | THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

Hanna Mennenga, a junior pitcher, pitches during the alumni game held on Sep. 8 at Williams Field. The Panthers won three of their four games during the Louisville Cardinals Classic over the past weekend.

East Pitcher of the Week, junior Caralisa Connell, losing 5-0.

Mennenga said the Panthers were pleased with the way their bats performed.

"We hit the ball hard this weekend — whether we hit it right at someone or off the fence, I think we hit well," Mennenga said.

"It felt good to win, and whether we are winning or losing, we need to stay loud in

the dugout."

The Panthers take the field again March 2-3 in the Marshall Invitational where they will play Robert Morris once, Buffalo once and host school Marshall twice over the course of the weekend.

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TENNIS | MATCH RECAP

Women's tennis bags 2 road wins

By Al Warpinski
Staff Reporter

The Eastern women's tennis team gained some traction this season after picking up two road wins against the University of Indianapolis and Bradley this weekend.

The women swept Indianapolis 9-0 Saturday morning, then traveled across state lines to take the match against Bradley 5-2 on Sunday.

The Panthers are 4-2 and have picked up consecutive wins for the first time this season.

Sephora Boulbahaem took both her matches this weekend. She swept her Bradley opponent, Sarah Rodefeld, 6-0, 6-0 in the second position. Boulbahaem did not lose a singles set all weekend.

Saturday's match saw three Eastern comebacks. Janelle Prisner, Ali Foster and Kristen Laird all came back to win after surrendering their first sets.

Prisner lost her first set 4-6 then came back and took the second set 6-4. She won the third set and match 1-0 (10-5).

Foster dropped her first set 4-6 but turned around and claimed a close second set 7-6 (7-3). Foster held off her opponent Rachel Barger in a highly contested third set with the score 1-0 (10-8).

Peoria did not see the close matches Saturday held as all singles matches were decided in straight sets. Boulbahaem, Merritt Whitley, Foster and Jennifer Kim all picked up singles wins Sunday.

Whitley won 6-2, 6-2 and Foster won 6-4, 6-2.

Kim almost picked up the match sweep but surrendered a game in the second set; she won 6-0, 6-1.

Janelle Prisner and Kim lost in the first and fifth positions, respectively.

Prisner lost in straight sets to Adele Henke 6-3, 6-3 and Laird dropped her game to Bradley's Carly Miles 6-1, 6-1.

The women's doubles teams were just as effective this weekend.

Prisner and Whitley won both of their doubles matches with scores of 8-1 against Indianapolis and 8-4 against Bradley.

Doubles teammates Foster and Laird took their first doubles match of the weekend 8-4.

The duo defeated Bradley's third doubles team 8-6.

The Panthers will continue on their nine game road trip to Indianapolis to square off against Indiana University-Purdue University Indianapolis on Friday.

Last season Eastern won against IUPUI in their home opener at Darling Courts 6-1.

Prisner, Whitley, Kim and Laird all picked up singles wins.

Eastern has won the last three meetings against IUPUI.

First serve is set for 6 p.m. in Indianapolis.

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MEN'S BASKETBALL | PREVIEW



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Junior forward Sherman Blanford looks for a pass to make against Belmont Wednesday in Lantz Arena. Blanford scored 14 points against the Bruins, yet the Panthers fell 80-49.

Final non-OVC game ahead

Staff Report

The Eastern men's basketball team does not want to lose focus in its last non-conference game of the season against Chicago State.

The Cougars (8-19) will host the Panthers (9-20) at 7 p.m. Tuesday night. It will be the last game in Eastern's current two-game non-conference road trip.

It will also be the last game before Eastern returns home to host Southern Illinois-Edwardsville — a game where Eastern's Ohio Valley Conference standing will be determined.

Eastern cannot afford to slip up one game before its postseason chances are ultimately decided.

Junior forward Sherman Blanford said the Panthers are approaching the game against the Cougars as if it were any other game.

"We are still going to try and force our game

plan," he said. "It is not different than how we approach every game. It will ultimately prepare us for our last conference game."

Eastern followed up its worst loss of the season, a 31-point shellacking by Belmont at home, with a 59-47 non-conference win over Northern Illinois.

Blanford said the Panthers are going to try to keep the momentum from the game against Northern in Tuesday's game.

The Cougars have two players who average double-digits in points.

Guard Quinton Pippen and forward Matt Ross average 10.8 points per game and 10.2 points per game, respectively.

Chicago State sports a 7-4 record at home and 5-2 in non-conference play.

The Cougars have lost four of their last five games.

Meanwhile, Eastern is 3-11 on the road.