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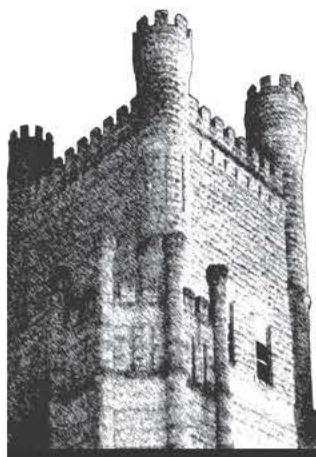
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Suicide second leading cause of death for students

Professor's death brings issues close to home on Eastern campus

BY HILLARY SETTLE
MANAGING EDITOR

Martin Scott, who taught English at Eastern for three years, committed suicide less than a month ago, causing upset to many faculty and students throughout campus.

But Scott's suicide is something many students can relate to, maybe a little too closely, as suicide is the second leading cause of death for college students in the United States.

The Counseling Center on Eastern's campus sees many students who experience suicidal idealizations, said Sandy Cox, director of the Counseling Center, adding approximately 25 percent of students who see counselors have thoughts about suicide or self-harm.

"There's definitely been a tremendous increase in students who self-harm, and that's been a trend internationally," Cox said.

The center had several consultations and phone calls after Scott's death from people looking for guidance, something Mike Tozer, a counselor, said was normally expected when such things happen.

"We anticipated it," he said. "The moment we heard about his death being ruled a suicide, we anticipated to hear from people about it."

Many things may have contributed to Scott's suicide, and friends cited a separation with his wife which led to depression as one issue, said detective James Blagg of the Charleston Police Department.

The issues presented in Scott's death are not uncommon to risk factors that drive college students to depression and suicide.

"Of all the previous campus suicides we've had, they have all involved alcohol and relationship problems," Tozer said. "Those are two very high indicators of college students; it's kind of the alcohol use or relationship problems that allow other factors to come into play."

Scott had been drinking the night of his death and took an entire bottle of Unisom, an over-the-counter sleeping pill, causing his death, Coles County Coroner Mike Nichols said.

Alcohol, drug and relationship factors are only a few factors involved when determining a patient's mental health. Other risk factors counselors look at in evaluating a student's condition may include is the student's family history, how a student is dealing with school-work, how developed a student's thinking is and others, Tozer said.

When discussing how developed a person's thinking is, one has to consider whether a person has specific plans or if they have talked about suicide.

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LOU HENCKEN
EASTERN PRESIDENT

"Obviously, I'm pleased or I wouldn't have accepted the offer."

Hencken gets extension

BOT gives Eastern President contract through 2007

BY KYLE MAYHUGH
NEWS EDITOR

The Board of Trustees voted to extend the contract of Eastern President Lou Hencken by one year to run until June 30, 2007.

Hencken will stay at his current salary level through the entire length of the contract.

"Obviously, I'm pleased or I wouldn't have accepted the offer," Hencken said. "They brought up the possibility in September, but I wanted to see the results of some things first."

Hencken said the North Central Association accreditation site visit, during which a group of higher education

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DANIEL WILLIAMS/THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS PHOTO ILLUSTRATION

The week before finals can be a stressful time for students. Anxiety and tension are two of the main effects of stress.

GOT STRESS?

Final exams boost stress levels for Eastern students

BY STACY SMITH
STAFF WRITER

Some may say it is a teacher's way of hazing. Ready or not, finals are getting near.

Stress seems to increase when finals are coming up, said Eric Davidson, associate director of Health Resources.

While packing, signing leases, finishing up projects and studying, some students work themselves up worrying.

"Everyone deals with stress differently and has a different reaction," Davidson said.

Many students focus on the ultimate effect of finals on their college careers.

"Students are stressed out because finals

are kind of a big deal because it decides your grades," said Jessica Born, a freshman elementary education major. "Some students take finals to the extreme and worry themselves sick."

Common physical effects of stress are

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There is more than just fish in the campus ponds

Students recover bikes near Carman Hall

BY SANDRA JAKOB
STAFF WRITER

Thanks to the Carman pond, Scott Joyce owns a bike.

Joyce, a sophomore secondary education

major, was hunting turtles in the pond when he saw three bikes in the water approximately 5 feet from the shore.

He said he didn't want to take the bikes right away, so he waited for a couple of days to see if the owners would come to pick them up.

"But I didn't think it would be considered stealing (to take) them," Joyce said. "It's just a bike in the pond; it's nobody's territory."

Joyce said he thought it would be fun to have

a bike. He talked to some friends, and they decided to try to take them out of the pond.

"We went out, made a big lasso out of a rope and tried to pull up the bikes," Joyce said.

After a couple of attempts they managed to pull out the three bikes.

Joyce said only one bike was in good enough condition to be used.

They took the bikes to the Lutheran Church where they got help to hose them off.

"We thought we would make two out of three bikes using only the good parts," Joyce said.

Now he and a friend ride the bikes around campus.

Jon Collins, superintendent of grounds, said people from his department frequently fish things out of the ponds on campus.

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CAMPUS AND UNIVERSITY NEWS

COLOMBIA COLLEGE

Students petition for financial aid reform

By ALAN J. BAKER
THE COLOMBIA CHRONICLE

(U-WIRE) CHICAGO – As tuition continues to increase for post-secondary education, more students find themselves borrowing money and saddled with the burden of debt after graduation.

So a handful of Columbia University students in New York are launching a campaign encouraging students nationwide to lobby the U.S. government to approve The National Tuition Endowment Act of 2005.

Nathan Walker, the author of the bill, estimates that it could generate \$30 billion over a 10 year period. The funds could then be used to provide scholarships for students.

It was Walker's curiosity that led him to discover what the government's FASFA program was doing with the accumulated interest from its loan program, including his own.

Through information from and interviews with the Department of Education, Walker, with the help of Baranda Fermin, a sociology and education major, concluded that the interest generated from student loans was given to other federal programs rather than going back to the DOE.

"The interest remaining after operational costs is sent back into the treasury," Fermin said. "It gets divided up into other programs. It should go back to the Department of Education."

UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS

Student seeks back pay from Army Reserves

By VICTORIA ROSSI
DAILY TEXAN

(U-WIRE) AUSTIN, Texas – University of Texas economics senior Michael Nunn has spent nearly nine months trying to get the money the Army Reserves still owes him. When he stopped attending the drills he wasn't being paid for, Nunn said one of his sergeants "threatened" him with active duty.

Nunn said he signed up for the Reserves thinking it would be a good way to pay for his last year of college. He said he wanted to become an Army officer, and the money the Reserves promised would allow him to complete an officer training program with the University Army ROTC.

Under the terms of his contract with the Reserve recruiting office at Dobie Mall, Nunn was supposed to receive a \$230 monthly stipend for attending drills and a full tuition reimbursement at the end of the semester. But Nunn's checks listed him as a lower pay grade than he actually was.

Nunn said each month he received \$55 less per than the detailed amount per month, and sometimes the payments came up to two months late.

"They have screwed me in the worst possible way," Nunn said.

WELD DONE



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Mark Phillips, gas utility worker for Ameren CIPS, stick welds a pipe Monday for the regulator station on Seventh Street.

ONLINE POLL

I'm watching the NBA Playoffs because ...

- A) I love this game it's fantastic.
- B) The Bulls are playing for the first time since I was in high school.
- C) There is nothing else on TV to watch.
- D) The NBA has playoffs?

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WTF?

Guilty plea in fry rage

DuBOIS, Pa. (AP) - A man who angrily berated fast-food employees when a drive-thru clerk told him the restaurant was out of french fries pleaded guilty and was sentenced to 45 days in jail.

Gregg Luttmann, of DuBois, pleaded guilty to assault, resisting arrest, institutional vandalism and other charges stemming from the confrontation on New Year's Day at a Burger King restaurant.

Luttmann made an obscene gesture at a drive-thru clerk, cursed at restaurant staff and nearly hit an employee with his truck after workers told Luttmann the restaurant had run out of french fries and onion rings, said police in Sandy Township, Clearfield County.

When police tried to arrest Luttmann, he scuffled with officer and kicked out the back window of a police cruiser, police said.

PEOPLE

Elton John to marry

LONDON (AP) - Pop singer Elton John will marry his longtime partner David Furnish later this year or early next year, his publicist said Monday.

Britain's The Mirror tabloid newspaper reported Monday that John, 58, would marry his Canadian partner Furnish, 42, before Christmas.

Laws recognizing homosexual civil partnerships come into effect in Britain in December. John's spokesman Gary Furrow told British Broadcasting Corp. the nuptials may be postponed until 2006.

"A date and a venue has not been set, so it may not be until next year," Furrow told the BBC.

John was reported in The Mirror as saying the wedding could be held in Windsor, west of London, where Prince Charles and the Duchess of Cornwall were married earlier this month.

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Weekly meeting.		
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Days until Mother's Day.

WORD DU JOUR

trepidation

1. an involuntary trembling or quivering
2. a state of anxious fear; apprehension
3. a feeling of alarm or dread

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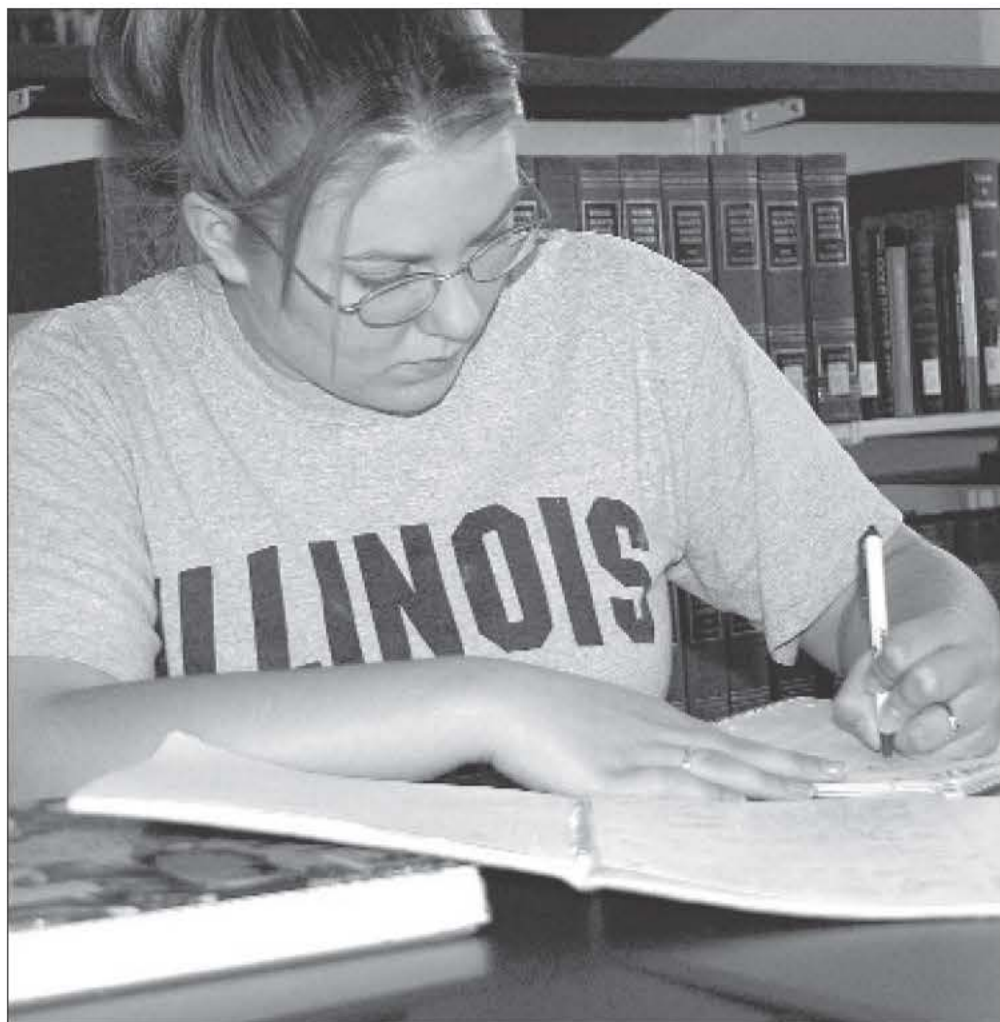
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Chrissy Gatto, a sophomore family consumer science major, studies sociology Monday afternoon in Booth Library. "I will be doing a lot of studying for finals, specifically on things I'm not doing well in," Gatto said.

Halls to prepare residents for exams

Carman, Andrews plan floor events, provide survival kits

BY STACY SMITH
STAFF WRITER

Residence halls have put together social events for residents to minimize stress before finals arrive.

Carman and Andrews halls have decided to let resident assistants put together some kind of event for their floors.

Christine Rehr, a residence assistant, in Andrews Hall, is making "finals survival kits" for the floor.

"The kits have different things in them like a rubber band to remind you to be flexible and a mint reminding you to always take a fresh start," Rehr said.

A variety of snacks will be available every day by the elevator lobby, Rehr said.

Other halls are inviting everyone in the hall to attend a social event.

Lisa Hall, a senior psychology major, helped put on "Stevenson Swap Shot" where students can bring old DVDs, VHS tapes and CDs and exchange them for new ones.

On Wednesday, Stevenson Hall is putting on a "stress relief program" by setting up punching bags.

"Students can get their aggressions out," Hall said.

The events bring a sense of community because it is relaxing and social, Hall said. Danielle Steibal, programmer for Taylor Hall, decided Taylor Hall residents should get a free five-minute massage on Wednesday from 2-4:30 p.m.

Some residence halls are providing exam snack times when residents can come and eat free food for a couple of hours. Exam snacks may include health foods like fruits and vegetables, pizza, ice cream, junk food and many other foods, depending on the hall.

Rahul Bhalla, president of Douglas Hall Council, thinks that a small snack helps relieve students before finals.

"Also, free food is always a good thing," Bhalla said.

Ford Hall is providing exam snacks like smores, health food, ice cream and breadsticks, said Daniel Cuthbert, a Residence Hall Association member.

"This event helps to provide a social environment and break away from studying hours beyond end, which many do," Cuthbert said. "It's also a nice way to say goodbyes."

Library has a long way to go

Director expects two more years for construction

BY CATHY BAYER
STAFF WRITER

Getting votes to approve a \$7 million bond for additions to the Charleston Carnegie Public Library was perhaps the easiest step in the process.

It will be four to six months before the city receives the money to hire a contractor, said Sheryl Synder, director of the library.

Right now, the city is working with a bonding company to develop a bid for the bonds, which will be available to national banks, Synder said. It hopes that will be done by June 1.

Banks will bid on the bonds to give Charleston the

"(Right now), we can't buy a (new) book unless we take a book off the shelf."

ROSE MARY SHEPARD,
PRESIDENT OF FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY

best interest rate, and then the chosen bank will sell the bonds to everyday customers, Synder said.

These bonds are known as municipal bonds, and the customer will not have to pay taxes on the interest, she said.

"Since they are non-taxing, the bonds attract more people," Synder said.

When the city receives the money, the architect will develop blueprints and make those available to contractors, she said.

The process is long, but will be well worth the wait because the new additions will double the space of the library, Synder said.

"(Right now), we can't buy a (new) book unless we take a book off the shelf," said Rose Mary Shepard, president of Friends of the Library.

Donations from local organizations have helped the progress of the library. The Charleston Rotary has already donated \$30,000, Synder said.

"It'd be nice to raise \$1 million (in donations)," she said.

The entire project should take about two years, and that does not include the three years that have already been devoted to picking an architect to develop ideas for the library, Synder said.

BRINGIN' DOWN THE HOUSE



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Construction workers break after demolishing the Buzzard House on Seventh Street Monday afternoon. Demolition workers will tear down the glass wing of Doudna Fine Arts Tuesday.





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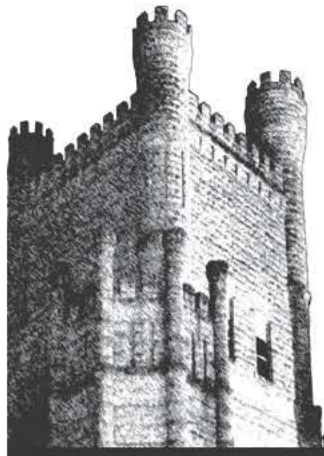
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COLUMN

The free market did not see this coming



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America is great.

I am free to make a vote in an election and not fear death for doing so. I can become what I want to be if I work hard enough (and know the right people). I could even find a chicken breast shaped like the head of Pope John Paul II and sell it for more than \$200.

Yes, someone actually was willing to pay for the chicken breast Eastern freshman Edward Rouzin-Moy discovered while eating lunch in the Thomas Hall dining center.

For one meal swipe Rouzin-Moy was reimbursed with a \$232.50 check after selling the papal chicken breast on eBay.

That better be one damn good piece of chicken. It might be worth it for the best lemon pepper seasoning in the world.

It's been debated if the chicken even looked like the pope to begin with. It can be argued it looks like any older man, Franklin D. Roosevelt, Dwight Eisenhower and Elmer Fudd to name a few. But that's not the issue here.

It's who is worse in this situation — the seller or the buyer — taking advantage of stupid people or being the stupid person?

Who's to say someone can't purposely shape a chicken breast or any other food product after a famous person who recently died and make up a story about it. There could be a storm of celebrity-shaped food items to hit the market with absolutely no regulation of what is authentic and what is created.

But then again, who is stupid enough to buy a piece of chicken that somewhat resembles the pope? Fifty-nine bids prove that a lot of people are that stupid.

My verdict is that it's great somebody can be opportunistic and make money from something incredibly simple and stupid.

And when you find something that works, stick with it.

That is exactly what Rouzin-Moy is doing. Now that he is "famous," he is hitting up eBay for even more money by offering to sell a 10 minute interview with himself.

What a genius idea. As of 4 p.m. Monday he already had 11 bids with an \$11 value.

Maybe I should start charging people for conversations, but I'm sure that would be an ego killer after I go without talking to someone for three weeks.

People have made complaints that it was wrong to take advantage of the pope's passing to make money. It may be tasteless, but those complainers haven't legally made \$232.50 for a flippin' chicken breast.

Rouzin-Moy didn't scam anybody; he just offered a face-shaped chicken breast for sale. If I could only find a pork chop that looks like George Washington, I could end my job search and live off its earnings.

This is a country based on doing anything you can to make money. The smartest and most creative people will end up making the most.

I congratulate Rouzin-Moy for beating the system and making a few bucks legally at the expense of a few ignorant people. Buyers should be looked down on, not the one's who were smart enough to cash in on a good opportunity.

Editor's Note: There is no cost to read this column, but anyone interested in an old T-shirt that may or may not have been touched by Michael Jordan, should contact Matt Williams with offers.

EDITORIAL CARTOON BY GIA HYOS



EDITORIAL

States, not children, left behind

President George W. Bush's trademark education program, "No Child Left Behind," has come under attack lately.

School districts from three states, along with the nation's largest teacher's union, have sued to have the 2002 program vacated, and Illinois schools should do the same.

The program focuses on classroom achievement of all students, including minorities and those with disabilities.

While this is a laudable goal, the program tries to achieve its aims through unfunded mandates and other burdens on school districts around the country.

Unrealistic goals, such as getting learning-disabled students to reach general proficiency levels in math and reading, leave schools facing sanctions, such as losing funding and having their students shipped to other schools.

Unfunded mandates are the ultimate weapon of a politically motivated federal government. Rather than being accountable for the cost increases it is racking up, the federal government receives the political benefits of being pro-education while the states have to explain why they are

At issue

The No Child Left Behind Act and the negative effects it has on the states

Our stance

While the mission of No Child Left Behind is worthy of the effort, the results have caused more trouble than the act is worth.

facing budget crises.

The lawsuits actually seek for the federal government to be forced to fully fund all of its education mandates. If the lawsuit is upheld, then the federal government would almost certainly remove all or most of the No Child Left Behind program's initiatives.

The state of Utah's Republican-controlled legislature has entered the fray when it voted to make the state's testing programs take precedence over those of the federal law.

The state risks losing up to \$76 million in federal education funding if it ignores the federal mandates, but the state's governor has already said that he thinks it is worth the risk.

Strict education standards and objective measures of performance are great ideas, but the No

Child Left Behind program is nothing but political gamesmanship that gives the glory to the federal government while shifting the blame for rising government deficits to the states.

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

YOUR TURN: LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

THOSE WHO KNOW, SHOULD DECIDE ON CHIEF

While I can appreciate Kevin Jackson's attempt to respectfully assure Tom Leonard that the "Chief" shirts are not meant to offend opponents of Chief Illiniwek, there are a few gaps in his argument.

Firstly, describing Leonard as being "confused" was poor wording. Leonard clearly understands the issue surrounding the Chief as he himself comes from Native American heritage. Perhaps Jackson doesn't see the shirts as meaning to offend, but considering the events surrounding the

Illinois mascot, it does remain a sensitive issue.

Considering the sensitivity of the issue, it would pay to look at the situation differently. For example, a smoker wouldn't smoke in front of emphysema patients.

If we are not of Native American heritage, who are we to determine what is offensive to Native Americans?

In the 1950's, there was a popular TV show where a white man dressed as a black man and acted out stereotypes. The show, "Amos and Andy," was loved by white people. They didn't understand why blacks were

offended because they thought, "who doesn't love Amos?"

Chief Illiniwek, to anyone of Native American culture, is probably no different.

Besides, it's not like every shirt you own has "Chief" on it. If not, do laundry or diversify your wardrobe.

Editor's Note: This letter is in response to Kevin Jackson's letter that ran April 18.

KATIE GILLEN,
JUNIOR GRAPHIC DESIGN MAJOR

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SCHOOL OF ROCK



CARRIE HOLLIS/THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

Keith Wright, a professor in the music department and featured performer, plays the flute while Terence Mayhue, also a professor in the music department, accompanies him on percussion for the Faculty Recital in the Table Arts Center on Monday evening.

Republican's ball caps big year

BY NICOLE MILSTEAD
ACTIVITIES EDITOR

This school year, the EIU Republicans emerged as a new student organization, setting a trend for on-campus politicians.

Tonight the Republicans are hosting the last event of their inaugural year. The 2005 EIU Republicans' ball is a fund raiser for next years republicans. Local representatives such as Dale Righter will be in attendance.

The event will be held from 6-10:30 p.m. in the University Ballroom in the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union. The event is semi-formal, and black tie is optional. The cost is \$10 for students and \$25 for non-students. There will be a cash bar, and child care will be provided for children over 3.

This event is only one of many the EIU republicans have hosted this year.

During its first year, the group focused on gaining membership and monetary support to start the

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KRISTEN DORSEY, PRESIDENT OF THE EIU REPUBLICANS

organization. There are 15 to 20 members of the EIU Republicans.

The year for the young organization started with a Republican rally to campaign for local support. The Republicans worked with Mike Neal, chair of the Coles County Republicans, to arrange the rally for local candidates such as state Rep. Chapin Rose and Judge Teresa Righter.

The Republicans also held a spur-of-the-moment Tsunami Aid fund raiser. The event featured live music and raised over \$300 in \$5 donations.

"The event brought in 40 people, which was a great success for as quick as it was arranged," said

Kristen Dorsey, president of the EIU Republicans. "We had one person who didn't even know about the event. He just heard the music and joined us. It was really cool."

The organization does a lot of campaigning, which is ideal for its members because most of them plan to become politicians or run campaigns.

"I think what we have gained from this is experience," Dorsey said. "When I first joined I thought all politicians were corrupt, but after working with local politicians like Representative Chapin Rose, who is an awesome person and a great family man, I have a different perspective," Dorsey said.

Giving victims of child abuse HOPE

City treasure hunt to raise awareness, funds

BY JENNIFER HAWES
STAFF WRITER

April is Child Abuse Prevention Month, and half of the children who join children's advocacy programs have experienced or witnessed domestic violence.

HOPE is a program that takes abused victims and helps people live nonviolent lives through Housing, Outreach, Prevention and Education, said Jim Walters, executive director of HOPE.

The program has been present for 26 years, said Angie Hunt, a legal advocate for HOPE.

Its focus is domestic violence, and it provides three housing programs, including an emergency shelter, homeless shelter and transitional housing.

An after-school program helps abused children focus on homework, and "there's been an improvement in their behavior and grades," Walters said.

HOPE also provides children's support, which 250 children join each year, he said.

The largest age group of children is 13 to 17, Walters said.

Some activities the children engage in are individual and group counseling, education recreation and support.

Counseling has the most impact on children, Walters said.

"The children come in with nightmares, and the counselors have them draw their dream in art therapy, and after four or five times, they get it out of their minds," he said.

Students also enjoy recreational activities such as swimming, hiking and canoeing in the summer, Walters said.

In order to teach children how to keep themselves safe, HOPE provides a safety planning program, he said.

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JIM WALTERS,
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF HOPE

"It teaches them how to stay out of harm's way," Walters said.

HOPE also services a walk-in program where approximately 780 battered women come in yearly, Hunt said.

"I take about 20 women clients a day and talk with them about how to handle domestic violence, the cycle of abuse and provide support," she said.

HOPE also helps men who need help managing their anger toward women, Hunt said.

Women experience domestic violence 95 percent of the time, she said.

Children have improved from these programs because it provides a safe place for them, Walters said.

"When children grow up, we want them to have nonviolent relationships," he said.

This weekend, HOPE and Children's Advocacy Center is having a treasure hunt to get children involved, raise awareness of the agency and raise money, Walters said.


The theme is pirates, and the object is to pick up the most tokens, which have point values. The team with the most points wins, Walters said.

The treasure hunt will begin at 6 p.m. Saturday at 701 Sixth St. and will finish at 8:30 p.m. at The Eagles Club.


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George plans to stay in Chicago

CHICAGO (AP) — Cardinal Francis George said upon his return from Rome on Monday that he was never asked to take a post at the Vatican and hopes Pope Benedict XVI does not order him to do so.

"I have great respect for those who are called to do that," George said of members of the clergy who work at the Vatican. "But I have no desire to be among them."

George is one of the few cardinals whose name has come up as the next prefect of the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith, the post that the pope held for more than two decades during the papacy of Pope John Paul II. But George said he does not want the job and hopes the pope selects someone else.

"Those are desk jobs and they are very intense and they're very hard work without the satisfaction of pastoring people directly," he said. "I like being a pastor."

But George, as he has done in the past, said that, of course he would go to the Vatican if ordered to do so.

"You do what you promise to do in obedience," said the 68-year-old cardinal.

Another name that has surfaced as a possible successor is Cardinal Christoph Schoenborn of Austria.

One of the reasons George has been mentioned for the key Vatican post is that his conservative views on a number of positions are consistent with those of the pope. Also, George is an academic, having earned a doctorate in philosophy and another in sacred theology and a doctorate of sacred theology in ecclesiology from the Pontifical Urban University in Rome. George has worked at the Vatican before, having spent a dozen years, beginning in 1974, as the second ranking official with his religious order, the Oblates of Mary Immaculate.

Then there is George's stature in the church. Relatively unknown when he was selected to head Chicago's diocese in 1997 to replace the late Cardinal Joseph Bernardin, George is now one of the most prominent cardinals in the United States.

As vice president of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops, he has taken a leading position in the American church's attempt to recover from the clergy abuse scandal and

helped write a U.S. church law that gives bishops broader power to discipline sexually abusive priests.

On Monday, George also reflected on his trip to Rome, saying he expected the pope to be active, but that at 78 years old, he most certainly not travel as much as his predecessor, who was in his 50s when he became pope. George also dismissed the notion that the pope was selected as simply a caretaker for a short time.

"Every pope is a caretaker," George said. "If you mean there will be no pastoral initiatives, I'd be very surprised at that."

George also was asked his opinion about the yellow and white stain on a concrete wall of an expressway underpass in Chicago that some believe is the image of the Virgin Mary, whether he believed, as some have said, that it is a miracle.

"What's miraculous?" he asked. "People see images in clouds."

Still, he said, he was happy to hear the image is prompting people to pray.

"Anything that's an occasion for prayer is wonderful," he said.



Students return to school that received racist, threatening letters

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

DEERFIELD — Minority students at Trinity International University returned to class Monday for the first time since dozens of them were moved off campus last week after someone sent racist letters to the small Christian school.

"The Bannockburn police feel the campus is safe and students should resume their normal schedules today," school spokesman Gary Cantwell said Monday. He also said that the school and the Bannockburn police had beefed up security on Monday.

On Sunday, the dozens of minority students who were moved off the suburban Deerfield campus Thursday night and into a hotel for safety returned to their dormitories.

FEDERAL PROSECUTORS BRINGING INDICTMENTS IN OLD MOB MURDERS

CHICAGO — FBI agents began rounding up reputed members of Chicago's mob Monday as federal prosecutors prepared to make public criminal charges in a number of murders and other crimes, some of them decades old.

The U.S. attorney's office said in a statement that the indictments were the result of a long-standing investigation dubbed "Operation Family Secrets," which was aimed at clearing unsolved mob hits.

The operation has been one of the biggest investigations of organized crime activities in the Chicago area in years and is believed to be aimed at some of the mob's top leaders.

State worker's family denies mob tie

CHICAGO (AP) — Relatives of top state transportation worker Daniel Stefanski insist the former union official, a friend of Gov. Rod Blagojevich's since childhood, is clean despite a published report that a Teamsters faction investigated him and found he had ties to organized crime.

The report by Teamsters Union anti-corruption investiga-

tors contained allegations that Stefanski, who ran Teamsters Local 726 before he worked for the state, has ties to reputed organized crime figures and once was a bookie, according to Monday editions of the Chicago Sun-Times.

"He never was a bookie," Daniel Stefanski's mother, Lorraine, told The Associated

Press. "When he went into the union, he was one of them that got in on his own. He was not connected in no way, shape or form with the mob."

His older brother, Ed Stefanski, told The AP Daniel Stefanski fought against the influence of alleged organized crime with the union.

"He ran against that faction

when he was working for the union," Ed Stefanski said. "This bookmaking and all that stuff is totally out of left field ... He's in no way involved with any mob action or any of this other stuff."

Ed Stefanski described his brother as a "regular working guy" who earned a master's in business and lives in a modest house in Mundelein.

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SENATE WORKS ON COMPROMISE ON JUDGE APPROVALS

WASHINGTON — In private talks with Majority Leader Bill Frist, the Senate's top Democrat has indicated a willingness to allow confirmation of two of President Bush's seven controversial appeals court nominees, but only as part of a broader compromise requiring Republicans to abandon threats to ban judicial filibusters, officials said Monday.

At the same time he floats the possibility of clearing two nominees to the 6th Circuit Court of Appeals for approval, officials said Sen. Harry Reid, D-Nev., wants a third appointee to the same circuit to be replaced by an alternative who is preferred by Michigan's two Democratic senators.

Reid also remains staunchly opposed to four conservative candidates for other appellate circuits, these officials said in reference to Priscilla Owen, Janice Rogers Brown, William G. Myers III and William H. Pryor Jr. .

TRIAL BEGINS FOR ARMY OFFICER ACCUSED OF RAPE

FORT RUCKER, Ala. — An Army officer accused of stalking a former New Jersey National Guard soldier for days and then raping her in her barracks room went on trial in a military court Monday.

First Lt. Mike Hall is accused of raping Jennifer Dyer last August at Camp Shelby, near Hattiesburg, Miss. "He refused to take 'no' for an answer," said prosecutor Capt. Jeffrey Dodson.

But defense attorney Victor Kelley said Dyer, also a first lieutenant at the time, made up the allegation to get out of the Army and avoid duty in Iraq. He questioned why she did not scream for help at the time, or ask for help later when she got a cell phone call from her supervisor.

Hall, 35, of Nashville, Tenn., contends the sex was consensual.

MAN KEEPS DEAD MOTHER IN FREEZER FOR FOUR YEARS

LA CROSSE, Wis. — A man told police he kept his mother's corpse in a basement freezer for more than four years while he collected her Social Security checks, authorities said Monday. A body was found

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encased in ice, in a sitting position.

Philip Schuth, 52, told police his elderly mother, Edith, died of natural causes in August 2000, but that he didn't tell anyone because he was afraid police would blame him, according to documents filed in court Monday.

He said his mother years beforehand was attacked by a cat and her blood was on the walls in the house they shared, and he feared police would think he killed her, according to the documents.

Police recovered a chest-type freezer in Schuth's basement, and after chipping away at a block of ice, discovered a human knee.

JUDGE ALLOWS TESTIMONY BY MICHAEL JACKSON'S EX-WIFE

SANTA MARIA, Calif. — The judge in Michael Jackson's child molestation trial said Monday he will allow the mother of two of the pop star's children to testify as a prosecution witness.

Prosecutors want Jackson's ex-wife Debbie Rowe to tell jurors that she was compelled to appear on a videotape praising Jackson as a good father and a humanitarian.

Prosecutors say Rowe did the interview under duress, having been told by Jackson associates that if she did not do it she would risk losing her visitation rights with her children, daughter Paris and son Prince Michael.

Rowe was a nurse for one of Jackson's plastic surgeons when they married in November 1996. Their son was born in February 1997, followed by their daughter in April 1998. The couple filed for divorce in October 1999. Jackson has a third child, Prince Michael II, whose mother has remained anonymous

INJURED SKIER RESCUED AFTER A WEEK

DENVER — A cross-country skier stranded in the backcountry with little food or water for eight days — at one time crawling on his elbows because of a broken leg — was rescued Monday after searchers heard his emergency whistle.

Charles Horton, 55, was hospitalized in

fair condition with minor frostbite, mild hypothermia and dehydration in addition to a broken leg, authorities said.

"This is stuff books are written about," Rio Blanco County sheriff's Sgt. Anthony Mazzola said. "His skills and knowledge, his gear and his will to live are what kept him alive."

FORMER COLLEAGUE: BOLTON HAS NO QUALITIES FOR U.N. JOB

WASHINGTON — A former colleague of John R. Bolton says President Bush's nominee for U.S. ambassador to the United Nations "has none of the qualities needed for that job."

Bolton "has all the qualities needed to harm the image and objectives in the U.N. and its affiliated international organizations. If it is now U.S. policy not to reform the U.N but to destroy it, Bolton is our man," Frederick Vreeland, a former U.S. ambassador to Morocco, said in an e-mail to the top Democrat on the Senate Foreign Relations Committee.

The administration stood firm Monday in its support of Bolton.

In Crawford, Texas, Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice said she and Bush believe Bolton is the right person for the job, particularly as the United Nations undergoes change.

AIR CANADA SPENDS \$6 BILLION TO IMPROVE ITS FLEET

TORONTO — Fresh out of bankruptcy, Air Canada will spend at least \$6 billion to burnish its image and operations by purchasing new Boeing Co. aircraft that are more modern and fuel efficient than its current planes.

The agreement includes firm orders for 18 777s and 14 787s — Boeing's newest jet, the Dreamliner. Air Canada, which emerged from bankruptcy protection in October, has options and purchase rights for 46 more 787s and 18 more 777s.

Robert Milton, chairman and CEO of ACE Aviation Holdings, the Montreal-based parent company of Air Canada, said the new fleet would save the company hundreds of millions of dollars by lowering its fuel costs and eliminating the need to upgrade its current wide-bodies, which are more than 20 years old, on average. change.

Bush prods Saudi leader on gas prices

CRAWFORD, Texas — President Bush prodded Saudi Arabia's Crown Prince Abdullah on Monday to help curb skyrocketing oil prices, and the White House expressed hope that the kingdom's plans would ease U.S. gasoline prices that have shot above \$2.20 a gallon.

"A high oil price will damage markets, and he knows that," Bush said of Abdullah, the de facto leader of the desert kingdom.

Asked whether pump prices would drop, Bush said that would depend on supply and demand.

"One thing is for certain: The price of crude is driving the price of gasoline," Bush said. "The price of crude is up because not only is our economy growing, but economies such as India and China's economies are growing."

Saudi Arabia has outlined a plan to increase production capacity to 12.5 million barrels a day by 2009 from the current 11 million limit. Saudi Arabia now pumps about 9.5 million barrels daily. If necessary, Saudi Arabia says it will eventually develop a capacity of 15 million barrels a day.

National Security Adviser Stephen Hadley said the plan could be seen as positive news by financial markets.

"The problem in the oil market now is a perception that there is inadequate capacity," Hadley said. Reassurance that can be given to the market on available supply, he said, should "have a downward pressure on the price."

On another economic issue, the United States and Saudi Arabia are on the verge of a bilateral trade agreement that would allow the Gulf nation to join the World Trade Organization by the end of the year, Abdullah's foreign affairs adviser, Adel Al-Jubeir, told reporters.

Other issues, including terrorism, prospects for peace between the Israelis and Palestinians, Syria's role in Lebanon, and democratic change in the Middle East, filled the leaders' meeting and discussion over lunch. They agreed to set up a high-level committee, headed by Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice and the Saudi foreign minister, to deal with strategic issues.

Spreading democracy is a second-term goal that could affect Bush's legacy, yet high gas prices are a drag on his popularity.

A recent Associated Press-AOL poll found the public giving the president low marks for his handling of energy problems, with 62 percent saying they disapproved. Earlier in April, another AP survey found public dissatisfaction growing more generally, with Bush's job approval rating at 44 percent.

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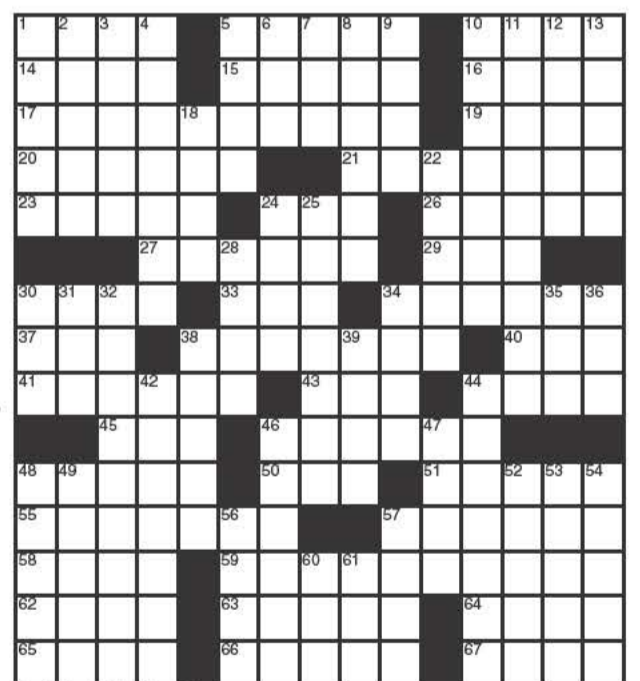
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- ACROSS**
- 1 Frisks, with "down"
 - 5 Muhammad's birthplace
 - 10 Elisabeth of "Leaving Las Vegas"
 - 14 Ranch unit
 - 15 Pong maker
 - 16 Hoopster Malone
 - 17 "All I Wanna Do" singer, 1994
 - 19 Toledo's lake
 - 20 Pekoe server
 - 21 Luggage attachment
 - 23 Threw in
 - 24 French article
 - 26 Like woolen underwear?
 - 27 Salsa scooper-upper
 - 29 Sun. delivery
 - 30 Yeats or Keats
 - 33 Boys' or girls' room, in London
 - 34 Attack by plane
 - 37 Cleansed (of)
 - 38 First U.S. chief justice
 - 40 Hide-hair link
 - 41 No longer in style
 - 43 Press for payment
 - 44 Palm reader, e.g.
 - 45 Hither's partner
 - 46 Rigid bracelet
 - 48 Bill of fare
 - 50 Needle hole

- 51 Gut course
- 55 All riled up
- 57 Rich's partner
- 58 Say "Uncle!"
- 59 "Network" star
- 62 On the ocean
- 63 No longer in style
- 64 Add kick to
- 65 Flat rate?
- 66 Late actor Davis
- 67 Chapters of history

- DOWN**
- 1 Orzo, e.g.
 - 2 Had a yen
 - 3 Radial pattern
 - 4 Eve's tempter
 - 5 Fountain offering
 - 6 Catchall abbr.
 - 7 Cougar or Lynx
 - 8 Hags
 - 9 Sony competitor
 - 10 Summer pest, informally
 - 11 "The Bridge" poet
 - 12 Dickens's ___ Heap
 - 13 Mournful poem
 - 18 Luke Skywalker's mentor



Puzzle by Gail Grabowski

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE

A L E C A C T U P A D A M
T E R I M O U S E V I B E
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Y O U R E N O T S E R I O U S
S O S A A V A S T N O R A
O P E L L A G O S E N O S

- 22 Like the air around Niagara Falls
- 24 "Looks like trouble!"
- 25 Lunchtime, for many
- 28 Congealment
- 30 Country club figure
- 31 Mideast export
- 32 Singer with the 1988 #1 country hit "I'm Gonna Get You"
- 34 Acted the fink
- 35 Antagonist
- 36 Flub
- 38 Leigh of "Psycho"
- 39 Month for many Geminis
- 42 Difficult spot
- 44 Mariner's measure
- 46 Guardian Angels toppers
- 47 Table extension
- 48 New dad's handout
- 49 Biscotti flavoring
- 52 Salvage ship's equipment
- 53 New Mexico's state flower
- 54 Cookout leftovers?
- 56 ___ facto
- 57 For the asking
- 60 Profs' helpers
- 61 Yalie

Train derails in Japan, kills 71

AMAGASAKI, Japan (AP) — The death toll jumped to 71 Tuesday as crews pulled more victims from the wreckage of Japan's deadliest rail crash in decades. Investigators focused on whether excessive speed or the driver's inexperience caused the train to derail and slam into a building.

The seven-car commuter train carrying 580 passengers left the rails Monday morning near Amagasaki, a suburb of Osaka about 250 miles west of Tokyo. It hit an automobile and then a nine-story apartment complex. More than 440 people were injured.

Rescuers working under floodlights pulled out a conscious but seriously injured 46-year-old woman then reached a 19-year-old man passenger, also in serious condition.

But most of the work was grim as crews pulled 14 more bodies from the twisted rail carriages, pushing the death toll from 57 to 71.

Two of the five derailed cars were shoved inside and flattened against the wall of the building's first-floor parking garage.

Distraught relatives rushed to hospitals looking for loved ones who might have been injured or killed in the 5:18 a.m. crash. They struggled to comprehend their loss.

"I only saw him the night before," said Hiroko Kuki, whose son died in the crash. "I wish he were alive somewhere... I wish it were only a nightmare."

Takamichi Hayashi said his elder brother, 19-year-old Hiroki, might be among those still in the wreck.

PONDS:

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Collins said most of the items they find in the ponds belong to Eastern.

Many other items have been found in the pond.

"We've found golf carts, picnic tables and trash cans," Collins said. "We take bikes to

security. Sometimes they're registered to students."

Although he said fishing up the things is not a big problem, it takes time away from the normal work that would have been done during that time, costing Eastern money.

Joyce is happy with the discovery and conveniences that came of it.

"It's much easier to get around," Joyce said.

HENCKEN:

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professionals left Eastern with no major concerns or recommendations, was an important part of his decision.

"(Hencken) puts himself on campus every day and is always willing to stop and talk to students," said Student Body President Chris Getty. "I feel confident in saying the students on campus love (Hencken) as our president."

Hencken said he looks forward to seeing other

projects all the way to their completion, such as the Doudna Fine Arts Building.

"By that time, it should be 99.9 percent completed," Hencken said, "completed enough to do the ribbon cutting."

Board member Julie Nimmons, who was voted chair of the board at the meeting, said she looked forward to Hencken's extended term. Nimmons has been with the board since April 2001.

"It was something that the board had talked about for awhile," she said.

Hencken has been Eastern's president since

SUICIDE:

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to a friend two months prior to actually carrying it out, Blagg said.

This is a common trend among people with suicidal idealizations, Tozer said.

"It's a very rare occasion where someone kills themselves and hasn't made reference to it in some way previous to that," he said. "Always take it seriously when someone mentions it."

Although most people who have suicidal idealizations share a common trend of hopelessness, there is no specific reason people commit suicide.

"That's what people would like to know, but there is no real answer for why," Cox said. "With anyone who kills themselves there is a level of hopelessness and disconnect in their thinking, but that still can't pinpoint and answer as to why."

Cox said treatment for everyone is different depending on issues they present when coming into counseling. A balance lies somewhere between counseling and medication, she said, adding the main focus should be on counseling.

Although the counseling center sees many students who have suicide-related problems and thoughts, Cox said she is sure there are many more students with similar problems.

"We usually only see the ones who are strong enough to ask for help," she said, "so we just see a small number of people who are actually struggling here on campus."

November 9, 2001. He began his career at Eastern as a graduate assistant in the housing department. He was vice president for Student Affairs when Carol Surles resigned as Eastern's president to pursue breast cancer treatment.

Hencken served as acting president until September 2003, when he was hired to the permanent position despite objections from some in the Eastern community over his lack of a doctoral degree.

Also at the meeting, the board voted to give Hencken the authority to offer a three-year contract to Mike Miller, the new men's basketball coach.

STRESS:

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headaches, stomach aches, insomnia, under-eating, excessive drinking, smoking, over-eating and depression.

Emotional effects include becoming more anxious or tense, becoming more isolated and being more prone to frustration and anger.

Students can prevent stress by getting eight hours of sleep, eating a well-balanced meal, avoiding procrastination, addressing issues and problems immediately, exercising, taking personal time and prioritizing, Davidson said.

"I think it's helpful to work out when you're stressed," Born said. "It relieves all your stress in a good way because it's positive. It also makes you feel good about your body, too."

Many students agree that managing their time and getting organized are the hardest parts of preparing for finals.

Some students think Booth Library and the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union are good places to study because there aren't very many distractions.

"I have to sit in the lounge because I get distracted by the music and Mario Kart that is going on in my room. It has to be completely silent," said Robyn Bruns, a freshman journalism major.

Helpful studying tips that have worked for many students include making flash cards, typing up notes and studying at least a week in advance.

"Relax, it's not as bad as you think it is," said Lori Knupp, a freshman special education major.

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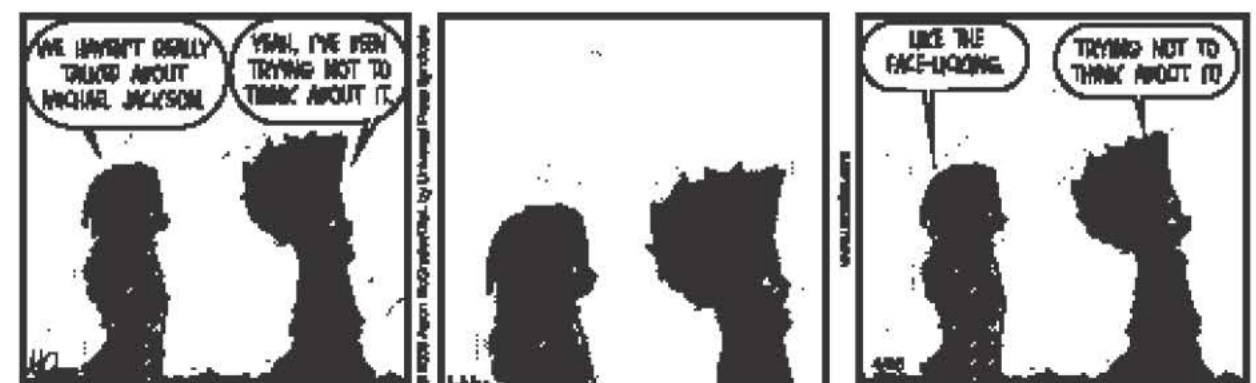
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Benson happy to be a Bear

LAKE FOREST (AP) - When Chicago Bears first-round running back Cedric Benson introduced himself to the Chicago media Monday, flame tattoos on each forearm caught the attention of reporters.

"Fire starter, to spark the team," Benson quipped. The Bears desperately need a spark after producing the league's worst offense last year. They're counting on the power-running style of Benson, drafted with the fourth overall pick Saturday.

Benson said he's not bothered that running back Thomas Jones, who led the Bears in rushing last season, initially will start ahead of him on the team's depth chart.

"It won't be a problem at all," Benson said. "It will just be another challenge to my game and another adjustment to me and another way for me to figure myself out."

But Benson doesn't expect to sit on the bench for long. He said one reason he opted to stay in college his senior year at Texas last season was to gain more experience.

"I wanted to make a direct impact when I came

(into the NFL) with whatever team," he said. "I wanted to play right away. I'm not a big fan of sitting to the side or coming in later in the game."

The Bears hope Benson will exhibit the knack he had in college for wearing down defenses. The 5-foot-10 1/2, 220-pounder was a workhorse at Texas, carrying the ball 1,112 times for 5,540 yards - good for No. 6 on the NCAA's career rushing list.

Benson also told reporters at Halas Hall he was relieved to have the draft process behind him. He has been dogged by inevitable comparisons to another high-profile Texas running back, Ricky Williams, and questions about his two arrests during college were raised in many interviews with teams and the media.

Bears officials have said they did their homework on Benson and are convinced his problems are in the past.

Benson was sentenced to eight days in jail in 2003 for a misdemeanor trespassing charge after forcing his way into an apartment to look for a reported stolen TV. In 2002, misdemeanor drug and alcohol charges against him were dropped.

OHIO VALLEY CONFERENCE BRIEFS

- ◆ NFL Undrafted Free Agents
 - Samford WR Efreem Hill signed with the Carolina Panthers.
 - Southeast Missouri State OG/OT Dan Connolly signed with the Jacksonville Jaguars.
 - Murray State TE Jimmy St. Louis signed with the Tennessee Titans.
 - Tennessee State RB Charles Anthony will be signing with the Tennessee Titans.

◆ Jacksonville State draws NCAA East Regional

The Jacksonville State women's golf team is headed to the 2005 NCAA East Regional Championship, which will be held May 5-7, on the University of Florida Golf Course and hosted by the University of Florida.

The Gamecocks, who earned the Ohio Valley Conference's automatic bid after capturing last week's OVC championship, will be making the school's first-ever appearance in the NCAA Women's Championship.

Of the 21 teams in the East Region, seven are ranked in the top 25 in the lat-

2005 NCAA East Regional teams

1. Duke
2. Pepperdine
3. Washington
4. Ohio State
5. Florida
6. Tulane
7. Furman
8. Virginia
9. UNC-Wilmington
10. Mississippi State
11. NC State
12. South Carolina
13. Vanderbilt
14. Miami
15. East Carolina
16. Coastal Carolina
17. Princeton
18. James Madison
19. Jackson State
20. Jacksonville State
21. Campbell

est Golfweek/Sagarin poll.

The 2005 NCAA East Regional Championship will begin May 5 at 7:30 a.m. with individuals, while the second half of the tournament is slated to tee-off at 11:50 a.m.

MAJOR LEAGUE BRIEFS

Piazza breaks out of slump

NEW YORK (AP) - Mike Piazza broke out of a slump with three hits, Cliff Floyd and David Wright hit two-run homers, and the Mets came from behind to end Atlanta's four-game winning streak. Aaron Heilman (2-2) allowed just two hits over seven innings and retired 15 straight batters but was trailing 1-0 when the Mets came to bat in the sixth against Horacio Ramirez (1-2).

ORIOLES 8, RED SOX 4

BOSTON - B. J. Surhoff hit a two-run homer and Bruce Chen pitched effectively into the seventh inning, leading the Baltimore Orioles over the Boston Red Sox 8-4 Monday night.

Brian Roberts went 3-for-5 with two RBIs and a pair of stolen bases for the Orioles, winners of 12 of 17 games.

Chen (2-1) kept the Red Sox batters off balance most of the night by mixing in a soft curveball and a changeup.

TIGERS 6, TWINS 4

DETROIT - Carlos Guillen and Dmitri Young homered, and the Tigers rallied for two runs in the seventh to beat Minnesota in a makeup for one of the two games postponed by snow last weekend.

The attendance was announced at 14,976, but it looked like barely 1,000 showed up to Comerica Park to watch Jason Johnson face Brad Radke on a 50-degree day.

PIRATES 2, ASTROS 0

PITTSBURGH - Oliver Perez allowed four hits over 7 2-3 mostly dominating innings, outpitching Roy Oswalt and leading the Pittsburgh Pirates to only their second home victory, 2-0 over the Houston Astros on Monday night.

The Pirates had a major league-worst 1-6 home record, but ended a four-game losing streak at PNC Park by running the Astros' road record to 1-9 - also the worst in the majors.

PHILLIES 5, NATIONALS 4

WASHINGTON (AP) - Taking advantage of seven walks by Washington pitchers - plus two errors - Philadelphia built a four-run lead and held on to beat the Nationals to end a three-game losing streak that dropped them into last in the NL East.

The Nationals have gone 2-6 since opening their first season in Washington 8-4.

TENNESSEE TECH COACH HEALTH UPDATE



MIKE SUTTON

COOKEVILLE, Tenn. - Tennessee Tech University men's basketball coach Mike Sutton was moved Friday evening from a medical facility in Norfolk, Va., to Vanderbilt Medical Center in Nashville.

Sutton, 49, is in the intensive care unit at Vanderbilt where he remains in critical, but stable, condition. He is being treated for Guillain-Barre' Syndrome, a rare disease that attacks the immune system.

Dykstra allegedly used steroids

LOS ANGELES (AP) - Lenny Dykstra has been accused in a civil lawsuit of taking steroids and gambling illegally during his baseball career, according to a newspaper report.

Lindsay Jones, Dykstra's former part-

ner in a lucrative car wash business, alleges in the suit that the former Philadelphia center fielder advised him to bet thousands of dollars with a bookmaker on selected Phillies games in 1993, the Los Angeles Times reported in Sunday editions.

The suit also includes a sworn statement from a Florida bodybuilder and convicted drug dealer who said Dykstra paid him \$20,000 plus "special perks" during their eight-year association to "bulk up" the once-slight ballplayer.

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SOFTBALL

Panthers try to remain strong outside OVC

Eastern hopes for victory from Bradley, despite losing its last eight games outside conference

By DAN RENICK
SPORTS EDITOR

After winning four out of its last five games, the Eastern softball team is riding high into today's double-header with Bradley at Williams Field.

The Braves (12-29) come into Charleston on an eight-game losing streak as opposed to the Panther's current hot streak. Bradley is hitting just .229 as a team this season and doesn't have any players hitting over .300.

Eastern (13-24), on the other hand, is hitting .249 as a team and has two players hitting over .300 and five players hitting .290 or better.

"On paper, we should do real well," Eastern head coach Lloydene Searle said. "We have to pay attention and focus on the details if we



DANIEL WILLIAMS/THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

Jenny Cerveto, junior infielder, slides into home on April 20. Eastern, which has won four of its last five games, will face off against Bradley, which has an eight-game winning streak, in a double-header Tuesday at home.

hope to keep our momentum going."

Unfortunately for the Panthers, that is a problem they've had this season

when playing outside of Ohio Valley Conference. Eastern has lost its last eight non-conference games and has only won three games in the

OVC this season.

But Searle said there is a certain sense of pride when playing in-state rivals. So far this season Eastern is 1-

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LLOYDENE SEARLE, HEAD COACH

1 in that category, beating Northern 5-3 at the beginning of the season, and losing to Western 5-4.

Searle will send senior pitcher Heather Hoeschen to the mound. Hoeschen has gotten the win in each of her last four appearances for Eastern.

Searle said she will work in sophomore pitcher Andrea Darnell, who is starting to get back into the swing of things after sitting out two weeks, and freshman Karyn Mackie, who is currently playing through injury herself.

"We want to come out strong out of the shoots and get everybody some innings," Searle said.

RIVALRY:

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Coaches Stadium last year.

"Yeah, when I got here we had beaten Illinois five straight times, but now we have been getting beat pretty bad," Schmitz said.

Illinois (23-12-1, 12-4) is currently leading the Big Ten Conference and just took three out of four against the Indiana Hoosiers.

Fighting Illini sophomore designated hitter Mike Rhode captured his first Big Ten Player of the Week honor after hitting .500 last week. The Brookfield, Wis., native smashed a game-winning grand slam with two outs in the final inning of Saturday's first doubleheader game and drove in seven runs and scored three last week. Rhode has been a major contributor to Illinois' best Big Ten start since 2000, hitting .450 (18-for-40) in the last three conference series against with 15 RBI and six runs. The sophomore has hit a blistering 18-for-36 (.500) in the last two weeks with three home runs, 14 RBI, nine runs and two walks, and his batting average has skyrocketed from .244 after the Ohio State series to its current .364.

"We know how good they are, but what we need is somebody to give us the big break we



Starting pitcher:
Erik Huber, So., LHP
0-0, 6.75 ERA



(23-12-1)

Starting Pitcher:
TBA

have been looking for all season," Schmitz said.

Schmitz pointed out another solid Illini player other than Rhode that could hurt the Panther pitching staff greatly.

"(Illinois first baseman Dusty) Bensko is their best player, and we'll spend a little bit of time preparing for them, but we're making too many mistakes because of the mental funk we're in," Schmitz said. "That's my job as a coach to turn that around."

Bensko was named the National Hitter of the Week two weeks ago and is hitting .368 with a team-leading 11 home runs, 47 RBIs and .474 on-base percentage.

Schmitz would like to use this non-conference rivalry to turn around its Ohio Valley Conference record.

"With the four OVC series left, I can see 9-3 not crazy possibilities," Schmitz said. "They've just got to see it too."

DRAFT:

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league, a person with a well-publicized gambling problem.

Poor Aaron Rodgers as well. The kid leaves California early to declare for the draft with hopes of being the No. 1 overall selection. Instead, he waits four and a half hours, with his brand new suit, his family around, and his cell phone not ringing. Finally, the Green Bay Packers ended his misery and his torture is finally over. One would think that making 24 selections would not take four and a half hours, but that will happen if teams are allowed 15 minutes to make a pick.

All right, well I'm tired of talking about this whole draft. Hopefully, it didn't take you as long to read this as it took to watch the San Francisco 49ers make the first pick.

Matt Daniels is a freshman journalism major. If you think that he should spend less time bashing Mel Kiper, Jr. let him know at cumud1@eiu.edu.

EASTERN ILLINOIS BRIEFS

◆ Director of Athletics Rich McDuffie and men's basketball head coach Mike Miller were interviewing potential assistant coaches Monday on campus. The university officials are not currently releasing names of the candidates.

◆ Defensive tackle Marcus Lorick is negotiating a free agent deal with the Minnesota Vikings, San Francisco 49ers, Atlanta Falcons and Philadelphia Eagles.

Lorick believes he went undrafted last weekend because of information getting leaked on his injured hamstring.

"I think the word got out that I was hurt more quickly than I thought it would," Lorick said. "Teams don't want to take chances on damaged goods."

◆ Softball pitcher Heather Hoeschen was named Ohio Valley Conference Pitcher of the Week. Hoeschen picked up the victory in all four of Eastern Illinois' wins last week, two in relief against Southeast Missouri and two as a starter versus Austin Peay.

She posted a 0.95 ERA, allowing just three earned runs in 22 innings of work. Hoeschen did not walk a batter in her eight-inning complete game in the series finale against APSU. She finished the week with nine strikeouts.

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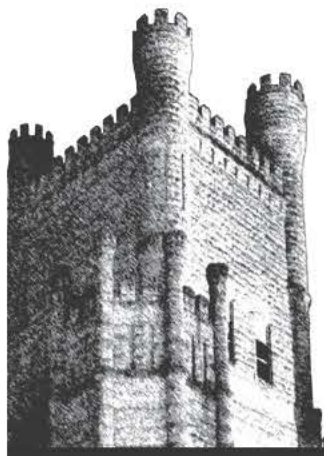
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MATT DANIELS
STAFF WRITER

NFL draft no longer on clock

The NFL Draft is over...finally. Aaron Rodgers can finally breathe and start learning from Brett Favre.

Chris Berman can stop his crazy sayings, and Mel Kiper Jr. can go back into the hole where he evaluates game film of a second-string tight end, who is the 17th best prospect left available in the sixth round.

How does a running back filled with scandals (Maurice Claret) and two years removed from competitive football, end up being the last pick on the first day, and a former Heisman Trophy winner in Oklahoma's Jason White not end up getting selected?

Why the Bears passed on Mike Williams out of the University of Southern California is unreal to me. Don't get me wrong, Cedric Benson had a great career at Texas, rushing for over 1,000 yards in each of his four years, but don't the Bears already have a running back in Thomas Jones? I know that Benson will give them more of a power running game, which was lacking last year, but so was the passing game. Which is why Williams would have been a wise selection at the No. 4 spot. Instead, he went to the Detroit Lions at No. 10, who are already stacked at that position with Roy Williams, Charles Rogers, and Az-Zahir Hakim. Did I mention that the Lions are also in the same division as the Bears?

Yes, the Bears drafted wide receiver Mark Bradley out of Oklahoma in the second round, but even with Williams sitting out a year due to eligibility difficulties, Williams is a far superior receiver.

I guess I'm just jumping on Kiper's bandwagon when he rated Williams the best overall prospect in the draft.

Another interesting pick was the fifth round selection of quarterback Adrian McPherson. McPherson...yes, the same quarterback at Florida State who was suspended and later kicked off the team because of a gambling scandal. The same McPherson that Eastern wasn't interested in bringing here because of his character issues. That is just the type of person the NFL wants in their

BASEBALL

Panthers hope to refuel rivalry



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Sophomore Erik Huber pitches against Indiana State Wednesday afternoon at Coaches Stadium. Huber, who has sat out all season due to an elbow injury, will pitch today against Illinois.

Eastern will start Huber in effort to pick up win against Illinois

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The schedule wasn't friendly to Eastern as the Panthers take on their in-state Big Ten rival from Champaign.

After losing its last four games and six of its last seven contests, Eastern is forced to generate some momentum by taking the field against Illinois Fighting Illini at Illinois Field.

"We are not playing the game well right now," Eastern head coach Jim Schmitz said. "What we need to do is not allow Illinois to be better than they already are."

Sophomore Erik Huber will make his first start of the season after being held out of pitching duty due to an elbow injury. Illinois' starting pitcher decision will be a game-time decision. The Fighting Illini tends to use a handful of hurlers in their mid-week non-conference games.

"I think maybe we waited too long to use (Huber) and that's something I take the blame for," Schmitz said.

The rivalry has tempered recently as Illinois has won its last six games against Eastern, including a 13-3 blowout at

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TRACK AND FIELD

Team splits, making coaching difficult

Eastern travels to trio of places, creating pros and cons for Panthers

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This past weekend the Panthers broke apart to work on individual performances. Members of Eastern's track and field team went to compete at Kansas University for the Kansas Relays, but some made their way to the University of Illinois while a few team veterans went to the University of Oregon.

Trying to manage an entire track team that is not completely in one location can be difficult.

Also, when teams break apart to cover several different track meets several elements come into play.

These elements can be helpful as well as hurtful, Eastern head coach Tom Akers said.

In Kansas, junior Dan Strackeljahn won the 1,500 meter run with a time of 3:58:47, and the Panthers won the 1,600 meter sprint relay with the team of Greg Lyons, Brenton Emanuel,

Brenten Pegues and Chris Wesson.

"Obviously when you divide your team up it limits what you can do; it limits your scoring," Akers said. "At the same time, it allows us to focus more on individual performances. We don't do this too much, and we don't want to because it takes away from our team atmosphere. Overall, our staff allows us to be able to be at 3 locations."

Eastern's only competitors who didn't struggle in Champaign were junior Justin Smith that finished fourth in the long jump and Eastern basketball player-turned-track athlete Austin Houge, taking third in the javelin.

Eastern women's head coach Mary Wallace said that while comradeship may lack in these situations, sometimes sacrifices must be made.

"At some aspect, it is an individual sport, and sometimes we have to sacrifice the team aspect in order to focus on the individual performance," Wallace said.

In these situations, the hardest part can be to make sure that each athlete is still being properly guided.

Upperclass team veterans may be given more free reign in order to provide guidance for the younger, and less experienced, freshmen, Wallace said.

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"The hard part about it is just making sure everyone's needs are being met," Wallace said. "If it were an upperclassmen traveling on an individual basis, I wouldn't worry as much as if it were a freshmen."

"Obviously the more experience and the more maturity of the individual the easier traveling great distances will be.

The group that went to Oregon was much smaller in comparison to the group that went to Kansas, which was mostly freshman that had a few seniors to help them if they needed anything."