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MATTOON | ENERGY

DOE: FUTUREGEN WILL BE SPLIT

Dept. of Energy announces plan to restructure coal plant project

By Marco Santana
Staff Reporter

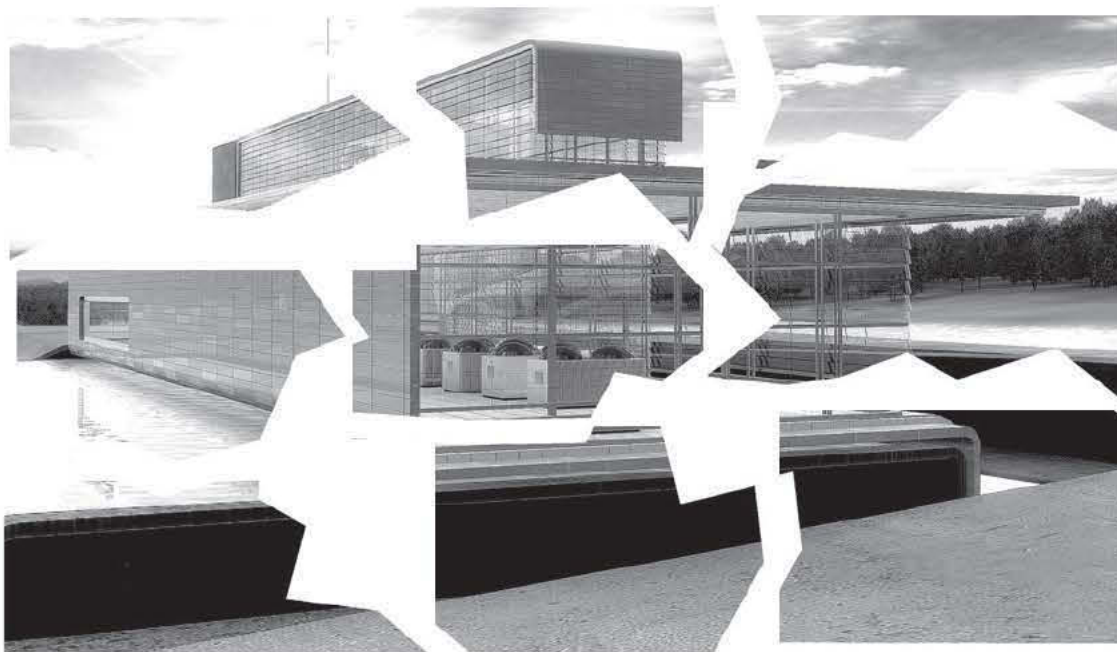
Plans for a FutureGen facility in Mattoon might not be dead yet.

Despite the Department of Energy's afternoon announcement that it would restructure the government's project for carbon-capture and sequestration, the FutureGen Alliance on Wednesday reiterated its commitment to building a research facility in the city.

"(The alliance) is going to work with Congress and the Illinois delegation and other stakeholders to build our facility in Mattoon," said FutureGen spokesperson Lawrence Pacheco.

The Department of Energy announced it would restructure the project and issued a Request for Information from the coal industry to determine the feasibility of its new approach: multiple clean-coal power plants to be equipped with carbon-capture and storage technology, paid for by the DOE, and the industry covering the actual plant costs.

Following the March 3 deadline for the Request for Information, the DOE will seek deals to provide fed-



DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY PHOTO. ILLUSTRATION BY JULIETTE BEAULIEU | THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

A possible split: Department of Energy officials said Wednesday that the FutureGen project will be restructured into several smaller facilities. FutureGen Alliance said it would continue to press for one facility in Mattoon.

eral funds under cooperative agreements.

This approach would allow the plants to sequester "at least double the amount of carbon dioxide than the concept announced in 2003," said U.S. Secretary of Energy Samuel Bodman. "This approach that we are announcing today is an all-around better deal in my judgment for America."

Congress still has to approve the restructured plan.

U.S. Deputy Secretary of Energy Clay Sell said the decision to

restructure was made in the last few days.

Local lawmakers sent a letter to President Bush on Wednesday stating their objections to the restructured plan.

The carbon-capture and storage technology takes emission from coal-powered energy plants and sequesters it underground. This results in a near-zero emissions coal power plant.

The facilities will test the technology on-site.

Because of this, Pacheco said

a larger plant is still needed in the scope of the project and the smaller sites shouldn't be considered alternatives to FutureGen.

"They are a complement, not a replacement," he said. "You need a project like FutureGen to test, prove and commercialize the technology. Smaller projects are important. But they are not a replacement."

President Bush announced the FutureGen initiative in December of 2003.

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LOCAL REACTION

Illinois politicians fight plan

Lawmakers send letter to Bush about FutureGen

By Marco Santana
Staff Reporter

On the same day the Department of Energy officially announced a major restructuring of FutureGen, essentially killing its plan to fund a lone site in Mattoon, Illinois politicians sent a letter to the President, asking him to continue to back FutureGen as it was originally planned.

U.S. Sen. Dick Durbin's office released the letter, which was signed by seven representatives along with Sen. Barack Obama, D-Ill. The letter stated the lawmakers felt that U.S. Secretary Samuel Bodman has been "no ally" in the search for new technology and the delegation believed it was FutureGen's choice of a non-Texas site that led to the department's about-face.

"While we'd like not to believe this theory, there is no other plausible explanation," the letter read.

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UNIVERSITY | FACULTY SPOTLIGHT

BUILDING THE FUTURE

Retired geology chair now helping Eastern create scholarships

By Sara Cuadrado
Campus Reporter

Former professor Alan Baharlou sometimes cries when he visits Eastern's campus.

After all, he was one of the ones who expanded the technology use on campus.

One night in 1995, Baharlou said he stayed with two students until 1 a.m. to figure out a way to make technology available to students.

They asked the Student Senate the following Wednesday for a \$25 yearly fee for student technology to make computer labs available. He said they passed a \$28.50 fee instead because he gave such a good presentation.

"When I come back and see all the computer labs (and) all the audio visuals in the classroom, I sometimes cry," Baharlou said.

Upon Baharlou's retirement in 2005, Eastern dedicated a garden to him by the University Lake.

The garden includes three bald cypress trees and a concrete plaque and bench in his honor.

Baharlou now serves as president



JOHN BAILEY | THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

Retired professor Dr. Alan Baharlou is president of the Annuitants, which gives its input to the Board of Trustees on issues regarding Eastern.

of Eastern's Annuitants, an organization he's been a part of since 2004. William Zeigle created the Annuitants in 1971 at Eastern.

On Jan. 18, Baharlou gave the Board of Trustees a report of what the Annuitants did last year, which included creating a new scholarship.

One of the largest jobs the Annuitants do is lobby and recruit for Eastern, Baharlou said.

"President Perry often says 'We are

here to honor the past (and) build the future,'" he said. "We are that past."

Baharlou came to Eastern in 1980 to be the department chair of the geology department, which he served as until he retired.

John Stimac, current geology department chair, said he had "huge shoes to fill" when he replaced Baharlou.

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UNIVERSITY | PROGRAMS

Free to good home: 1 nursing program

Department still searching for new location; must relocate in May

By Ashley Mefford
Senior Campus Reporter

Eastern's Nursing Program still does not have a permanent home.

The department is currently housed in the third floor of Lawson Hall.

"We are looking for space to which the nursing program will be relocated. We know that the Nursing Program must move from their current space in May and we hope to identify their space as soon as possible," said Mary Anne Hanner, Dean of the College of Sciences.

Administration had previously discussed moving the department in to the current Textbook Rental facility.

In November, Jeff Cooley, vice president for business affairs, told *The Daily Eastern News* that after Textbook Rental moves to their new facility north of Carman Hall,

the Honors College and the Nursing Program will relocate to the old Textbook Rental facility in order for them to be closer to campus.

The new Textbook Rental facility has completed the schematic design phase and a budget for the project is under review. Funding for the project relies on capital funding from the state.

Currently no locations for the Nursing Program to relocate to in May have been identified.

The first class of students was admitted to the Nursing Program in the fall of 2007. The program is for students who are already Registered Nurses (RNs) but want to earn their Bachelor's of Science in Nursing (BSN) degrees.

"To become an RN requires at least an associate's degree in nursing. Most of our students have attended community college programs for their basic nursing preparation," said Dianne Nelson, director of the Nursing Program.

Since the students already have the background in nursing, Eastern's program is able to build off of the information they already know.

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EIU WEATHER

THURSDAY  34° 25° Snow E 15-20 mph	FRIDAY  31° 21°	WEATHER BRIEF Partly cloudy skies this morning turning into snow this afternoon into Friday. With this storm system we can expect 4-6 inches. For current conditions visit EIU WeatherCenter at www.eiu.edu/~weather
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ENTERTAINMENT | A DAILY LOOK

Madonna is the top 'Cash Queen of Music'

The Associated Press

NEW YORK — Madonna is the richest woman in music.

The 49-year-old entertainer leads Forbes.com's list of the top 20 "Cash Queens of Music," earning \$72 million between June 2006 and June 2007.

The pop star's "Confessions" world tour pulled in \$260 million, Forbes said. She also made money from album sales, her fashion line with H&M and a deal with NBC to broadcast her concert performance at London's Wembley Stadium.

Forbes.com said it compiled the list by examining concert grosses, merchandising revenue, album sales and other revenue from clothing lines, fragrance deals and endorsements.

Barbra Streisand is No. 2 with \$60 million. Celine Dion ranks third with \$45 million. Shakira is fourth

with \$38 million, followed by Beyonce (\$27 million), Gwen Stefani (\$26 million), Christina Aguilera (\$20 million), Faith Hill (\$19 million), the Dixie Chicks (\$18 million) and Mariah Carey (\$13 million).

Hilary Duff, Avril Lavigne and Martina McBride each banked \$12 million.

Tom Cruise gets first Ducati 200 horsepower superbike

BEVERLY HILLS, Calif. — Tom Cruise is the first on the list to get Ducati's newest motorcycle — a \$72,500 superbike bristling with titanium, magnesium and carbon fiber technology that can scoot up to 200 mph.

Cruise is scheduled to take delivery of the Desmosedici RR at Beverly Hills Ducati this week.

Only 1,500 of the red-and-white Moto GP racing replica motorcycles will be made and Cruise gets the

first.

Michael Lock, chief of Cupertino-based Ducati North America, said the Desmosedici RR "is the impossible dream — made possible."

"We are delighted to be able to deliver the world's first production unit here in the USA to Tom Cruise, who is a well-known Ducati enthusiast," Lock said in a statement.

Ethan Hawke, girlfriend are expecting a child

NEW YORK — Ethan Hawke and his girlfriend, Ryan Shawhughes, are expecting a baby.

"I can confirm and they are thrilled," Hawke's publicist, Mara Buxbaum, told The Associated Press on Wednesday.

"No further details will be made available," Buxbaum said in an e-mail.

Hawke, 37, has two children from his marriage to Uma Thurman.

PHOTO OF THE DAY

A copper finish



BRYCE PEAKE | THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

Workers finish the top of Doudna's peak with copper Wednesday morning. The architectural purpose of the copper is to tie in the modern design of the building with the "farmland" landscape of copper silos.

WHAT THE... | WEIRD, UNEXPECTED, BIZARRE NEWS

Drunk man takes lawn mower to liquor store

The Associated Press

ADRIAN, Mich. — A man was charged with drunken driving after going through two bottles of wine, cutting through a snowstorm on his lawn mower and riding down the center of the street to reach a liquor store, authorities said.

Police found Frank Kozumplik, 49, homeward bound on a John Deere tractor Saturday night, toting four bottles of wine in a paper bag, officials said.

He told officers that his wife had taken their car to work, and that the mower was the only way he could reach the store, two miles from home.

His blood alcohol level was 2½ times Michigan's legal driving limit of 0.08 percent, police told WLEN-FM. They arrested him and confiscated the mower.

Steer on the loose from slaughterhouse

CINCINNATI — Searchers on the ground and in a sheriff's department helicopter Monday were looking for an Angus steer that postponed its date with a slaughterhouse.

It bolted out of the gate that had been inadvertently left open.

The more than 1,000-pound animal escaped from a slaughterhouse holding pen Monday morning and ran into the woods of suburban Cincinnati, according to Colerain Township police and the Hamilton County Sheriff's Office.

The steer was last seen heading into woods several blocks north of Stehlin's Meat Market and Interstate 275, said Dick Stehlin, co-owner of the meatpacking business.

EXTENDED COVERAGE AT WWW.DENNEWS.COM



• **Calendar** - Dennews.com's weekly calendar lists events in the Charleston/Mattoon area. Visitors can also add their own events to the calendar, informing the community of area events.

• **Map** - Dennews.com now has a map showing the location of Charleston's polling places and their accompanying precincts. The map will remain on the site until "Super Tuesday" on Feb. 5.

• **Issues podcast** - Online reporter Seth Miller sat down with Noel Brodsky, economics professor, to discuss the recession and how it could affect the housing and job market.

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CAMPUS | THE STUDENT SENATE

Winter Wonderland approved

The Student Senate passes resolution 22-5 on Wednesday

By Rick Kambic
Student Government Reporter

The Student Senate approved both Winter Wonderland resolutions during Wednesday's meeting. The event will be held on Feb. 24 at 7 p.m. in the south quad.

Student Body President Cole Rogers answered his critics by comparing the \$9,365 for the project to the \$119,025 in the reserve account.

He said a majority of that money will roll over into next semester's account, and the event will be an experiment that will not put the senate in a financial struggle.

"If this is not a good use of \$10,000 then I challenge you to do something better," Rogers said. "It's not like if we use this money the chemistry department won't have Bunsen burners."

He also answered challenges of doing University Board's job.

"There's been some discussion about how it's not our job to do event programming," Rogers said. "Says who, three members of the Apportionment Board and seven edi-



BRYCE PEAKE | THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

Alison Kostelich, student vice president for academic affairs, reads her notes during the Student Senate meeting on Wednesday.

tors of *The Daily Eastern News*' editorial board? Ceci Brinker is not telling me we cannot program an event. Dr. Nadler is not telling us we cannot do event programming."

Two members of AB were present at the meeting, but did not speak during the audience participation session.

Senator Angelina Montleon said she was skeptical of the event at first, but has since changed her mind. She

said the event would be a good alternative to students going out and drinking alcohol.

Student Senate Speaker Megan Ogulnick said she was still skeptical and that all registered student organizations should be involved if the event is to offer students a chance to get active on campus.

The first bill was to release the money from AB to student government. That bill passed 20-4 with

three abstentions.

Senators Ryan Kerch, Eric Hiltner, Jeremy Menefee and Dustin Smith voted against the resolution, and senators Krophardt, Mike Costigan and Josh Lucas abstained.

The second bill was for the senate to approve the expenditure of \$9,365 for the event. Hiltner opened the discussion by answering Rogers' earlier question.

"Cole asked who says it's not our job to program events and the constitution says so," Hiltner said.

He referenced article 2 section A of the Student Government constitution.

"The main function of the senate is to represent the student body of Eastern Illinois University and improve student life through the passage of bills and resolutions," Hiltner said. "The senate shall designate rules and bylaws that it deems appropriate for the administration of the Legislative Branch."

Rogers replied by citing "enhancing EIU experiences" from the Student Senate mission statement.

The second resolution passed 22-5 after Senators Lucas and Costigan changed their votes to yes.

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UNIVERSITY | DFI

Applications available for grad students

Aims to raise number of underrepresented faculty in Illinois

By Barbara Harrington
University Reporter

Mona Davenport said she is thankful she was able to be a part of a program that helped her pay for school and helped her grow professionally.

Davenport, director of minority affairs, was a Diversifying Higher Education Faculty in Illinois fellow during her last year as a doctoral student.

DFI is a program that was passed by the Illinois legislature in 2004.

Director of Graduate Admissions Rodney Ranes said DFI was developed to help increase the number of minority candidates and faculty members in higher education and higher education boards.

"I think it's important to have a diverse faculty," Ranes said. "And it's

important to provide those with not only the academic ability but also the financial need with some opportunities that will help them develop their futures."

The program provides financial assistance to its fellows, in the form of stipends, in order to help increase the number of underrepresented faculty members in the state.

If a DFI fellow teaches or works as an administrator at any institution of higher education in Illinois, Davenport said the student does not have to pay back the annual stipend he or she received.

For every year she was a fellow in the program, Davenport had to teach one year in the state of Illinois to avoid repayment.

Davenport said the program helped her discover and explore different research areas, which she said helped her develop as an educator.

"I was able to network with other Master and Doctoral-level students in the program," Davenport said. "After receiving loans and other debt from undergraduate education, it is

nice to be able to find programs that graduate students can utilize without having large debt," Davenport said.

Ranes said both state and private universities are involved with DFI.

Students who apply for a DFI Fellowship must have the goal of working or teaching in a higher education institution, maintain a GPA of at least 2.75 and be a member of an underrepresented group.

Students applying must be pursuing either a master's degree or a doctorate. Ranes said students must also be Illinois residents in order to qualify for the fellowship.

DFI Administrator Jane Meuth said this year the program is looking for students with a concentration in the stem fields — math, science, engineering — because the stem fields are very underrepresented by minorities.

Fellows get the opportunity to participate in professional development activities and are required to attend an annual conference.

At the conference, students present research they have been con-

ducting to each other and exchange ideas.

Those who are accepted into the DFI program can renew their fellowship each year, but they must uphold the initial requirements of the program to remain a fellow.

Ranes said DFI is an important program because it helps provide Illinois students and teachers with better academic environments.

"Diversity gives students a broader range of experiences," Ranes said. "It exposes them to more things, which helps them grow."

Meuth said DFI fellows sometimes serve as role models to their peers.

"It helps to encourage other minority students to pursue their dreams of a higher education," Meuth said.

Eastern's deadline for Diversifying Higher Education Faculty in Illinois Fellowship applications is February 15.

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CAMPUS BRIEFS

RHA meeting tonight in Thomas Hall

The Residence Hall Association will meet this week to discuss their plans for their upcoming spring retreat.

RHA plans to hold the event off campus.

"Normally the spring retreat has been held on campus, but we thought it would be better to do it off campus this year," said Jarrod Scherle, RHA president. "It would be good to get them off campus, kind of like a booster. Sometimes after break, execs get into a slump and this can help them finish strong."

The comments on the Fall 2007 retreat were great, Scherle said.

Also at the meeting, Becky Wilson of the National Residence Hall Honorary will come to discuss a new recycling routine that is being presented.

RHA meets today in the lobby of Thomas Hall at 5 p.m.

Emergency Notification System in place

Eastern has installed a new emergency notification system.

Currently, Eastern has three ways to notify the campus in an event of an emergency.

The Emergency Notification System includes a siren/public address system that sounds a "pulse tone" that notifies students, staff and faculty to check their Eastern email for important information. The email will provide information about the emergency. A phone tree has also been put into place to notify key individuals in departments across campus, who will then post information for the public across campus.

On the first Tuesday of every month, at 10:30 a.m. the siren/public address system will be tested. The siren will sound, followed by a general test message.

The first test will take place on Tuesday.

Use your technological skills for iLife contest

Students can put together a three to five minute iMovie video using the iLife 2006 suite of programs. Each team can consist of a minimum of two faculty members and up to three students.

The video must have a theme of academic interest like teaching, research, service or creative activity. Competitors must submit one DVD containing a raw iMovie file and another DVD containing the final presentation using iDVD.

Finalists of the competition can attend a showing and awards ceremony in April. The deadline for registering a team is Feb. 1. Apple Inc. and the Center for Academic Technology and Support are sponsors.

Contact the CATS office at 581-8396 for more information.

— Compiled by News Editor Nora Mabery and Associate News Editor Stephen Di Benedetto

CAMPUS | DIRECTIONS

Signs proposed to help guide visitors, students

Project was previously put on hold due to lack of funding

By Matt Wills
Staff Reporter

Eastern's campus will soon become more guest-friendly by placing signs around campus labeling building and directing people to others.

"A common complaint from visitors to campus is that it is not clear where they should go," said Stephen Shrake, associate director of design and construction. "Currently, we

have a variety of signage on campus and many buildings are not identified at all, or in the wrong places."

Shrake pointed out that there is no clear way to direct you towards Lincoln Hall, Douglas Hall, Stevenson Hall, Lantz Arena or even Booth Library. Many buildings are not labeled, such as Ford, McKinney and Weller Halls.

A visitor's impression is influenced by campus appearance and the ability to find one's way, said Eastern President William Perry. "Effective and attractive signage make a positive difference in this regard for our campus visitors."

This project was put on hold in

previous years because of funding and style agreement, said Gary Reed, director of facilities planning and management. The cost of this project has not yet been determined but now has the funding.

"The committee thought the signage proposed by the consultant was too modern looking for our campus. It didn't match the image they wanted to put forward," Shrake said.

The new signs will have a blue band at the top with Eastern's name and logo. The remainder of the sign will be clear anodized aluminum with the building name or a directional marking.

"This is a great project and one

which will benefit both on campus and off campus constituencies," said Jill Nilsen, vice president for external relations. "We take pride at Eastern in providing personal attention to our visitors. New and improved signage will help reinforce that with visitors."

"Coming into school as a freshman there weren't many signs and it was weird to find buildings on campus. I think signs are an awesome idea, most schools have them," said Janelle Blocker, a junior elementary education major.

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Sounding off



RICK KAMBIC

No support
for the EWP

I am a transfer student, and before final exams last semester, I knew nothing of the Electronic Writing Portfolio. The recently released EWP Annual Report says fewer students are submitting papers. This program seems like a cop-out to escape diminishing scores from the writing competency exams.

Without faculty support for this program, I feel like the administration is simply trying to increase graduation rates to hide failures. The professors who grade EWP papers and sign forms need to buy into the system to properly encourage growth in student writing. However, it’s obvious from reading minutes from the Faculty Senate meetings that professors do not approve.

The faculty and the administration need to act like partners in these situations. Professors are guilt tripped when students from past semesters return to submit past essays. The leniency does not allow as much teaching when students can easily wiggle through loopholes.

Getting used to writing in general is understandable, and EIU Reads seems like a good partner program to aid this effort. The classroom must agree with such a policy to help produce results, and until the administration and the faculty get on the same page, the program will be a failure. Giving diplomas to students who cannot write will devalue future diplomas. I want my diploma to mean something.

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Drawn from the news | Andrew Hicks



STAFF EDITORIAL

Illinois lawmakers need to
keep up FutureGen fight

The people of Illinois – and more specifically, the people of Mattoon and Coles County – have been deceived by the Department of Energy.

With Wednesday’s shocking announcement by DOE Secretary Samuel Bodman, the plan for FutureGen, the world’s first near-zero emissions, coal energy plant to have a single site in Mattoon is no more.

Bodman said Wednesday the DOE is restructuring the FutureGen project to allow for multiple sites across the country.

DOE’s Deputy Secretary Clay Sell said the department would encourage Mattoon, along with the three original finalists, Tuscola and two in Texas – Jewett and Odessa – to be included in the future prospective sites.

What once was a promising development for the area and the world is now a cluttered mess.

But, Illinois lawmakers are promising to not let this issue silently disappear.

And they shouldn’t.

Our elected officials in Washington, led by Sen. Dick Durbin on Wednesday, addressed a letter to President Bush that urged him to “keep FutureGen on track, so that this project can begin construction and become a reality.”

Construction on the \$1.8 billion project for Mattoon was slated to begin in 2009, with a projected finish date for the plant in 2012.

Now that the site is being split up to multiple sites, Bodman estimated the plants wouldn’t begin operations until 2015.

More than 1,300 construction jobs were expected to come of this, along with 150 permanent jobs.

The boost to the local economy was going to be significant.

But those thoughts, apparently, are no more after Wednesday.

Durbin, D-Ill., has accused Bodman of giving Illinois a sense of false hope, which is exactly what the Secretary has done.

He cites increasing costs as the reason his department was hesitant to move forward with the project.

Yet, all throughout this process, which first started with President Bush’s 2003 State of the Union address, the DOE has seemed committed to the project and working together with FutureGen Alliance.

OUR VIEW

• **Situation:** The Department of Energy announced the FutureGen plant may not be in Mattoon after all.

• **Stance:** The FutureGen plant promised thousands of jobs and Illinois lawmakers can’t let the DOE get away with this.

Durbin, in his letter to Bush, said he assured Bodman adequate funding could be worked out to help with the costs if Bodman assured the FutureGen plant would move forward. But Bodman refused.

That stubbornness is now the reason for the chaotic and surprising developments of this week.

Yet Durbin and our other Senator, Barack Obama, along with Congressman Tim Johnson, R-Champaign, and six other U.S. Representatives, have signed their names to this letter.

Thankfully, they will not let this issue silently shrink away.

“It’s a shame that bureaucracy and politics became so heavily involved in this decision that was sure to benefit Coles County.”

By taking FutureGen straight to President Bush, some type of action needs to come from it.

It has been 44 days since the

Time Theatre in Mattoon erupted in a loud roar after FutureGen Alliance CEO Michael Mudd’s announcement from Washington that Mattoon was chosen as the single site.

Now, the only story people in Coles County are hearing from Washington is one of turmoil and misplaced trust, all a result of Bodman’s surprise decision.

Illinois lawmakers need to keep the pressure on Bush, Bodman and Congress in what is now an uphill fight to even have Mattoon as one of the multiple sites for the FutureGen project.

It’s a shame that bureaucracy and politics became so heavily involved in this decision that was sure to benefit Coles County.

Charleston mayor John Inyart said after the announcement on Dec. 18, FutureGen was the best news to come to this county in decades.

Now it’s up to elected officials in Washington to make sure this doesn’t come as the worst news to Coles County in decades.

So to Durbin, Obama, Johnson, Jerry Costello, Ray LaHood, Rahm Emanuel, Peter Roskam, Jan Schakowsky and Danny Davis – the nine officials who signed Wednesday’s letter to President Bush – keep up the good fight.

We’ll be watching.



MATT HOPF

Campus ban
is a poor plan

On Jan. 1, Illinois became a “smoke-free state.” In restaurants, bars and public workplaces smokers have been removed to the outdoors.

It is no different at Eastern. Smokers are supposed to remain 15 feet away from public buildings, according to Internal Governing Policies.

This is the same as the state law, but there is a push, which includes a Facebook group and an online petition to send smokers off campus.

Banning smoking on campus would not be a proper solution to any problems with smokers.

It’s common sense that those with asthma, chronic bronchitis or those allergic to smoke are bothered when anyone blows smoke in their buildings.

It’s not hard to understand why they are upset when going to class and having to walk through a group of smokers in front of an entrance.

As a non-smoker, I don’t want to walk through it, but if a Triad resident wants to have a smoke late at night, why should they have to walk all the way off campus?

Another concern that is brought up is the littering problem smoking contributes to.

A large percentage of smokers flick their cigarettes wherever when they are done. Some just drop them on the ground and step on them to extinguish them.

In high school, I remember we had “smokers’ corner” where all the smokers would go for one last cigarette before school started.

If you walked past smokers’ corner any day, you would see hundreds of cigarette butts littered on the ground.

If Eastern passed a smoking ban, students would find their own “smokers’ corner.” That’s what I call being neighborly to Charleston.

If smokers changed their habits slightly, the need for a campus-wide smoking ban would be unnecessary.

Even if smokers are 15 feet away from the building, they should stay out of the pathway into the building.

It’s not that difficult to move over and let people in. It might also prevent inadvertently blowing smoke in someone’s face, which no one appreciates.

Using the “smoking areas” the university provides is a good place to smoke, but there aren’t too many. They are not in the main walkways of anyone and provide a receptacle for the butts.

If the amount of butts littering campus decreases, there goes another reason for a campus-wide smoking ban.

The university could help enforce current regulations. Right after the ban passed, yellow tape was placed in front of some building entranceways to remind smokers to stay back.

Before Eastern, I went to a junior college where they painted lines in front of the buildings to remind smokers to stay back. This could be a reminder for them to stay out. Smoking is not illegal. Smoking within 15-feet of a building is.

The online petition uses the line “Let’s ban smoking on campus completely ... no ‘smoking’ sections anywhere, that’s like trying to place a peeing spot in community pools.”

Sorry. That is not the same thing.

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ONLINE

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“It infuriates me that Bill Clinton is campaigning like he is in the race.”

» Nursing

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"They are all working part-time or full-time as RNs already so they have 'real life' experience as nurses. Each one has some level of expertise to offer their fellow students," said Rebecca Merton, associate professor of nursing.

The program admitted 16 students this fall and six this spring. Nelson said that the program plans to build up to 30 new students per year.

"Many nurses are anxious to earn a BSN to advance their knowledge about patient care, become eligible for management and other advanced positions, and be qualified to attend graduate school," Nelson said.

Eastern's administration started the program to not only offer more educational options to RNs but also increase the health and welfare of citizens in the region, Nelson said.

The nursing program is unique in that these students have already experienced some college and some real-life job experiences are coming back for more education. Merton says this is what makes working for the department enjoyable.

"Everyone has a unique and interesting background and experience in nursing. They all have different goals for their careers. I really like it when a student says that they have learned something in class that is helping them be a better nurse," Merton said.

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» FutureGen

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In 2005, the Department of Energy reached a deal with 13 companies that would comprise the FutureGen Alliance.

At the time, both entities agreed to a deal in which the DOE would pay 74 percent of the costs, which at the time were \$950 million. The estimated costs have since risen to \$1.8 billion.

As costs escalated, Sell said the market for clean-coal technology had also improved.

Sell blamed FutureGen's selection of Mattoon on Dec. 18, against the DOE's suggestion that they hold off the announcement, for the disappointed Illinois delegation.

"I empathize with the disappointment of the citizens of Mattoon," he said. "We specifically asked FutureGen Alliance not to proceed with a site selection because we hoped to avoid this very situation. But they rejected our pleas to do that. They chose the site."

But he also said a plan proposed by FutureGen – which included repayment of all DOE costs beyond \$1.8 billion but not until the plant became operational – would put U.S. taxpayers at the mercy of mortgage holders.

"The plan would leave the DOE to surrender the facility to the alliance's outside lenders if the alliance were to withdraw from the project or default on its debt repayment obligations," Sell said. "Quite

simply, the financing approach advanced by the alliance would put the interests of U.S. taxpayers at risk."

Sell said the department would encourage companies to work with sites of the FutureGen finalists, including Mattoon.

Environmental work has been done at those sites, although more work would be necessary.

Sell also deflected criticisms against the department that suggested the alliance's selection of a non-Texas site played a part in the ultimate decision to change the structure.

"Anyone that knows the way we do business at the Department of Energy, that knows Sam Bodman or myself or any of the rest of us knows that statement is outrageous," he said.

He said attacks on the department from U.S. Sen. Dick Durbin, D-Ill., who said the department participated in a "cruel deception," and Illinois Gov. Rod Blagojevich, who called the situation "politics at its worst," were unwarranted.

"They want to attack and berate the department in proceeding with a plan that is not going to be successful just so that they can see a few hundred millions of dollars wasted in their district," Sell said. "Quite frankly, we think the interests of the nation's energy future and the importance of assuring the future of coal are important enough that we're prepared to take this issue on."

The new timeline puts a deci-

sion on final sites at about the end of the year, just before the Bush administration leaves office.

Sell bristled at the suggestion that he was trying to push this project off on the next administration.

"Had I wanted to just wash my hands of this, I would have let it go," he said. "The folks of Mattoon could have continued to celebrate this for a year or maybe two years. And then when the thing went south, I could have blamed the next administration for failing to bring this great idea to fruition. We decided to make the hard decisions now."

State Sen. Dale Righter, R-Mattoon, said the official announcement only followed through on a threat made in a Tuesday morning meeting between the Illinois delegation and the department.

He said U.S. Reps. Tim Johnson, R-Urbana, and John Shimkus, R-Collinsville, spoke with President Bush on Wednesday about Bodman's decision. But a report on Crain Chicago Business' Web site said the President stood behind his secretary's decision.

"If the President won't overturn the secretary's decision, we will do everything we can to fight to get appropriations," he said.

Righter said the delegation has to keep the issue at the forefront.

"We have got to dig in and continue to keep the debate alive," he said.

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» Reaction

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The letter pointed out that on Nov. 30, U.S. Secretary of Energy Samuel Bodman had told the Illinois delegation that the project was "on track for final approval from the Department by the end of the calendar year, including a Record of Decision."

Bodman told the delegation Tuesday morning that the project, which was announced by President Bush in 2003, would be scrapped, redesigned and the DOE would seek another competition for sites.

Deputy Secretary of Energy Clay Sell said the reason for this was escalating costs as well as improved technology during the five years since it was announced that made it more commercially viable.

The letter also said Bodman's track record had shown he didn't back technology research.

"Mr. President, we have lost confidence in Secretary Bodman. He has proven to be no ally in our efforts to promote scientific research, address new technology for clean energy development and to boost our struggling economy."

Durbin asked the President to move on the project because "it would be unfortunate to wait for the next administration to complete the project that you announced and have promoted for more than five years."

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» Baharlou

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"He knew everyone on campus and who to talk to when you wanted something done," he said.

Stimac added Baharlou built a history with people and could get things done based on his good name.

When it came to the classroom, Baharlou compared teaching to running a race, saying he had to put out his best every time he taught.

According to Baharlou, when parents came for orientation, he assured mothers their children would be taken

care of.

"I told them 'When you leave behind the most precious thing you have, I become a father. I become a grandfather. I become an uncle,'" he said.

Baharlou said a professor has to be a complete person, with compassion, tolerance and understanding. He said it is important to understand students can have tragic situations that may affect their academics.

Baharlou said he had bad or uncompassionate teachers, like any other student, but it was a good experience that he learned from. In spite of and because of them, he succeeded.

Stimac said Baharlou taught him to keep an open mind.

"Every individual is correct, and it's just what they perceive and where they're coming from," Stimac said.

Dale Wolf, vice president of the Annuitants, said Baharlou is a tireless worker.

"He is and has always been a most happy individual with a good word to say about everyone he deals with," Wolf said.

Baharlou said one of the most important things in his academic life has been the people who have helped him, such as his wife and professors.

After coming to the United States

in 1960 from Persia, he attended the University of Michigan and then went on to get his master's degree at the University of Oklahoma and his doctorate at the University of Tulsa.

While at the University of Oklahoma, he met his wife, without whom he would not have had all his accomplishments, he said.

Baharlou had many accomplishments including being Eastern's Professor Laureate for the academic year 1999-2000, 2003 Illinois Board of Higher Education Student Advisory Board Outstanding Faculty among 12 Illinois public universities, Ringenberg Award, which is the

highest honor the College of Sciences bestows on its faculty, and he was named *The Daily Eastern News* person of the year in 2005.

Baharlou said his greatest honor cannot be put into any award, but it is the how his profession affects people.

"The buildings even collapse, but the things you do that affect the lives of people is forever because they pass it on to the next generation. I believe this is the greatest reward anyone can have," he said.

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CAMPUS | OPEN MIC NIGHT

Students get to rock out

Bands, magic shows
among highlights of
Wednesday night showBy Heather Holm
Staff Reporter

Sophomore Andy Luttrell can get inside people's heads.

While performing at Wednesday's Open Mic Night, Luttrell, a psychology major, guessed words of what people in the audience were thinking.

"I'm a psychology major, and I've been doing magic since I was young," Luttrell said. "I switched to mind games recently because it is more interesting."

The first Open Mic Night of the semester was in the Bridge Lounge of the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union Wednesday night.

Three judges were placed in the audience and performances ran all night. There were about 40 people in the audience, and the number of people grew as the night wore on.

When Tracy Silverman arrived to play the electric violin, the amount of people had grown to around 60 people. The number died down after his performance was over.

The audience had a good reaction to most of the performances.

"All in all, the performances were not too bad," said Tony Hesseldenz,

ANDY LUTTRELL | SENIOR PSYCHOLOGY MAJOR

"I'm a psychology major and I've been doing magic since I was young. I switched to mind games recently because it was more interesting."

a senior philosophy and English major. "There were a few playing for their own sake instead of for the audience, but that's their preference."

"Learn to Fly" was probably one of the most professional band, Hesseldenz said. Some of the others were also interesting, but not as professional.

Luttrell's magic act got the most response from the audience.

"I've seen things like what Andy did on television, but it was interesting to see it in person," said Hesseldenz.

Another performance was a single acoustic guitar act that went by the name "Warm Everest."

Then Luttrell continued with his magic act. "Learn to Fly" was next and they performed a set of two songs.

Afterwards, Silverman performed. Since he was the main act, a number of people showed up for only his act.

He played a set of songs, some of

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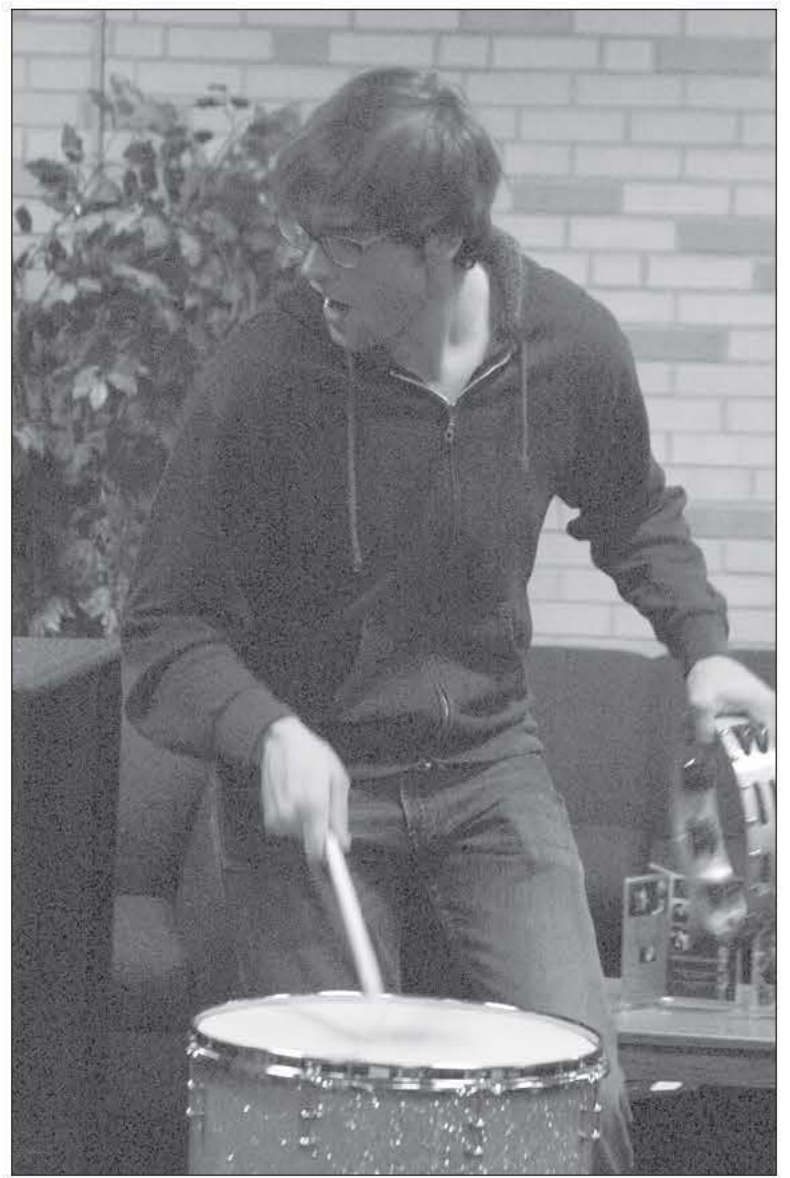
which were titled "Whiskey Colored Glasses," "Easy Is As Easy Does," and "If Love Ain't In the Picture."

Afterwards, three more guitarists performed one after the other.

"I liked everyone, and I thought the violinist was really cool," said Kaitlin Cullen, a freshman undecided major. "Lauren Philips did really good too and I loved David Bruner."

Of course, some performers had jitters beforehand.

"I was a little nervous because I haven't performed in about a month or so," Luttrell said. "I am relieved it went so well."

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Bryant Fritz, a sophomore biology major, plays the snare drum for the band "Learn to Fly" during the University Board's Open Mic Night in the Bridge Lounge of the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union.

LOCAL | WEATHER

Ice storm Tuesday causes damages in Charleston

Icy roads cause drivers
to damage traffic signsBy Jordan Crook
City Reporter

Icy roads caused by the storm that pummeled Charleston Tuesday evening caused several drivers to slide off roads in the city, many of which damaged city property.

Two stops signs and a street sign were knocked down as a result of drivers sliding off the road.

Charleston Public Works departments repair crews are currently in the processing of repairing these damages.

According to a member of the Charleston Public Works department accidents like this "always" happen when there is ice on the streets.

Charleston Fire Chief Kris Phipps said the fire department responded to only one car accident in the last few days that was a direct result of the ice.

He said the accident occurred Wednesday morning when a car slid into the guardrail on River Hill on Route 16.

Phipps said he was surprised by the lack of car accidents they responded to as a result of the ice since there are usually several accidents caused by icy conditions like those seen Tuesday night.

"Usually when you've had a mild winter like

this and you see a patch of weather like we had (Tuesday night) you see at least a couple accidents caused by the ice," he said.

While there was only one reported accident caused by the weather, the threat it posed caused many people to stay off the road.

As a result of the sleet, ice and winds several Mattoon and Charleston school basketball games and other local events, such as a candidate forum sponsored by the Coles County League of Women Voters, were canceled.

Even though several trees and tree limbs were damaged by the ice and winds, no power outages were reported within the city.

While Charleston saw instances of damage from the storm, Mattoon was seemingly unaffected by the ice and wind.

Debbie Crean, administrative assistant for the Mattoon department of public works, said this office had received no reports of damage as a result of the storm.

Charleston and Mattoon were hit by the same severe winter weather that battered most of the Midwest for the past week and may be in store for more tonight.

The National Weather Service forecasts that similar weather conditions will hit Charleston again tonight, saying there is a 100 percent chance of precipitation and predicting between five and nine inches of snow might accumulate over the course of the evening.

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CITY | POLICE

Area crime lowest in five years

By Cathy Bayer
Cops and Courts Reporter

The Charleston Police Department reported having 352 index crimes in 2007, a triple digit number that's 27 percent lower from last year and the lowest crime has been in five years.

Index crimes include theft, burglary, aggravated assault and battery, sexual assault, vehicle theft, arson, robbery and murder.

Charleston's total index crimes were the highest in 2005 with 587 crimes. In 2006, they dropped by more than 100 to 483.

In 2006, Charleston's crime rate was 2.4 – that means there were 2.4 crimes for every 100,000 people. Mattoon had 3.84; Champaign had 5.23 and Effingham had the highest rate with 5.79, most likely because of the two interstates that cross through the city, said interim police Chief Mark Jenkins.

Jenkins also looks at statistics through the Illinois State Police Department and compares Charleston to places like Carbondale and Bloomington-Normal.

"That's a nice thing to tout," Jenkins said. "That you're, in theory, the safest city in downstate Illinois."

Jenkins credits having an active protocol with officers doing more than just traffic stops; the city reported 2,497 traffic stops – 725 less than last year's 3,222.

The city's traffic enforcement numbers as a whole are down from 2006.

The city reported 447 traffic accidents, down five from last year.

The city also reported 1,458 citations (down from 1,921) and 2,185 written warnings (down from 2,469).

Jenkins is a life-long Charleston resident and 29-year member of the police force. And crime this year is the lowest Jenkins has ever seen, he said.

With all the positives to report, Jenkins still has some concerns.

While burglaries tend to fluctuate each year, they're the highest they've

INDEX CRIMES

	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
Murder	0	0	0	0	0
Sexual Assault	14	10	19	12	16
Robbery	2	0	4	2	1
Aggravated Assault/Battery	53	29	37	28	25
Burglary	29	35	16	42	68
Residential Burg.	77	54	60	64	56
Theft	295	219	436	320	165
Motor Vehicle Theft	10	22	11	15	18
Arson	1	3	4	0	3
Total Index Crimes	479	424	587	483	352

TRAFFIC ENFORCEMENTS

	2005	2006	2007
Traffic Accidents	510	452	447
Fatal Accidents	1	0	1
Personal Injury	73	69	59
Property Damage	436	383	387
Traffic Stops	2,162	3,222	2,497
Citations Issued	1,752	1,921	1,458
Written Warnings	1,546	2,469	2,185
DUI Arrests	93	67	60

CALLS FOR SERVICE

2004	11,368
2005	12,958
2006	11,618
2007	16,350

CITY ALCOHOL ARRESTS

	2006	2007
Illegal Possession	1	0
Illegal Transportation	19	0
Minor Possession	12	104
Public Possession	58	232
Minor Frequenting	56	105
Licensed Premises		
Sale or Gift of Alcohol to a Minor	31	8
Acceptance of Alcohol by a Minor	536	433
Unlicensed Sale	15	2
Misrepresentation of Age by Minor	12	2

CITY ORDINANCE ARRESTS

	2006	2007
Disorderly Conduct	29	16
Disturbing the Peace	12	25
Obscene Conduct	28	35
Curfew	19	16
Battery	5	10
Possession of Cannabis	12	21
Drug paraphernalia	15	21
Truancy	17	11
Petit Theft	4	8
Possession Tobacco	8	13

Source: Charleston Police Department

MARK JENKINS | INTERIM POLICE CHIEF

"We've had a lot of very good arrests that have solved a lot of crimes."

been in five years; the numbers are up from 42 in 2006 to 68 in 2007.

In 2003, 29 burglaries were reported.

They slightly to 35 the next year and dropped to 16 in 2005.

"I definitely don't want to see that increase again," Jenkins said.

He plans to combat higher burglary levels with public education, like reminding people to lock their homes and vehicles.

Residential burglary reports are down, and theft is down by almost half, from 320 in 2006 to 165 in '07.

The difference between theft and burglary is intent, Jenkins said. A

burglar goes somewhere and trespasses with intent to take something.

Theft happens usually in a place the thief is allowed to be, and he or she takes something and doesn't plan to return it, Jenkins said.

Jenkins is also concerned with the jump in service calls. In 2006, the 33-officer department received 11,618 calls.

The next year, 16,350 calls were made.

Jenkins doesn't want that kind of increase for 2008.

"We're just not staffed for 5,000 more calls," he said.

Jenkins credits the city's popula-

tion – more than 20,000 residents – and Eastern's high enrollment numbers for the influx in calls.

A police officer also goes along on fire calls, so those numbers are tacked on.

The city and university usually don't respond to the same calls, Jenkins said.

Occasionally university police officers will ride along with city officers.

Since students must comply with a student code of conduct, something might be of interest to the UPD and not the city.

No arrests were made for illegal possession or transportation of

alcohol, compared to the 20 arrests made in 2006.

But 104 arrests were made for minor possession of alcohol – a huge increase from last year's 12 arrests.

Police made 232 arrests for public possession of alcohol, up from 2006's 58.

They made 105 arrests for a minor frequenting licensed premises, up from 56.

Jenkins said much of the increase came from the bar raid at Jerry's Pizza in September, where 86 minors were charged with frequenting a licensed premise and 77 were charged with purchase/acceptance of alcohol by a minor.

In the fall, police concentrated on alcohol patrol, what they call a "street sweep," Jenkins said, which he hoped would set the tone for the year.

Bar checks usually stem from a complaint, and raids are left up to Mayor John Inyart, who is also the city's liquor commissioner.

"We've had a lot of very good arrests that have solved a lot of crimes," Jenkins said.

While drugs are still a problem in the area, specifically methamphetamines, Jenkins said the department is working to change that.

The city's police department works with Walgreens and CVS.

Employees there are quick to call police with a vehicle description when ephedrine or pseudoephedrine is purchased in bulk.

Some people travel dozens of miles in every direction buying supplies for meth a few at a time, Jenkins said. Other city departments don't check, but Charleston does, which has led to several arrests, he said.

After being on the force nearly three decades, Jenkins has faced some surprises, like meth.

"I've never seen one thing that's expanded so rapidly," he said. "It has just exploded. That's the only way to explain it."

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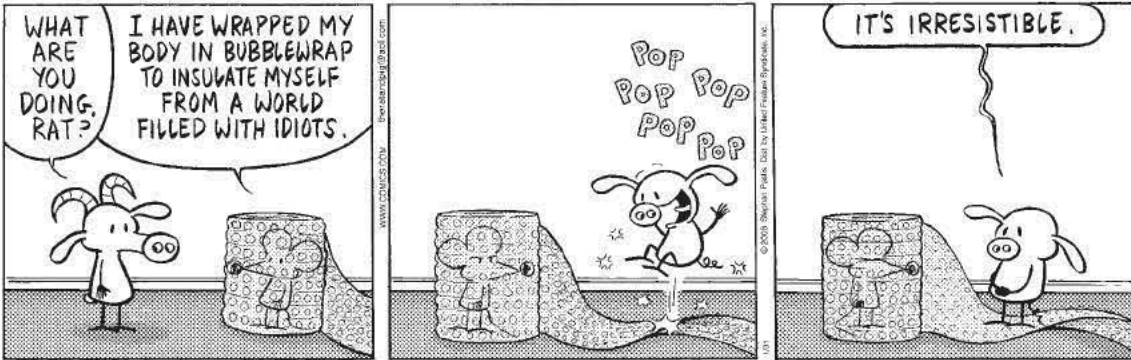
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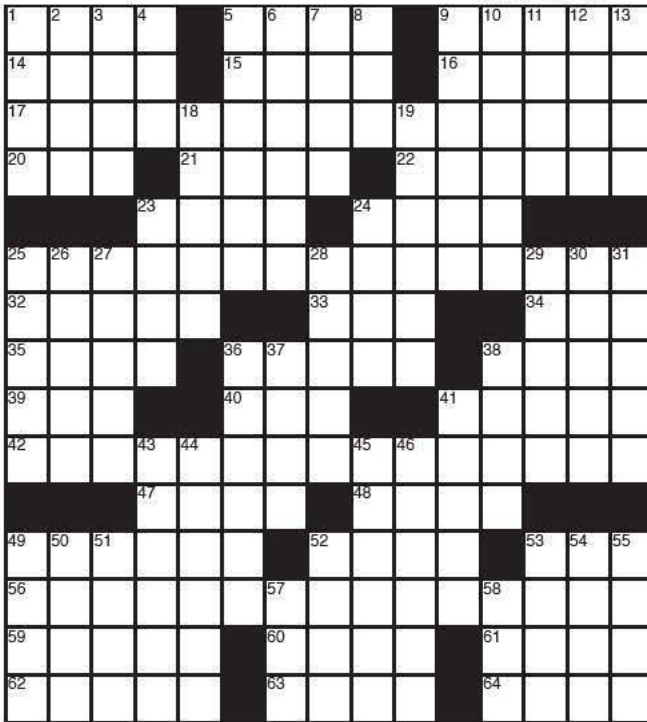


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 - 5 On which an arabesque is performed
 - 6 Varnished surface, sometimes
 - 7 Experts at CPR
 - 8 Neither's partner

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE



PUZZLE BY PETER A. COLLINS

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- 11 "Saint Joan" playwright
- 12 Insignificant amount
- 13 Not just casually interested
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- 19 You can see them at marinas
- 23 Sinatra tune "Funny That Way"
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- 25 Inspirations
- 26 Norse goddess married to Balder
- 27 Time to close a bar, maybe
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- 29 They chase flies
- 30 Hermann who wrote "Steppenwolf"
- 31 Exit's opposite
- 36 Shindig of sorts
- 37 Peel
- 38 Minute bit
- 41 Monument Valley sights
- 43 Espoused of Ahasuerus, in the Bible
- 44 Fish orders
- 45 Tube watcher's food holder
- 46 Language organ
- 49 Beginning for metric
- 50 Utilized
- 51 Site of July 1944 fighting
- 52 Arrive ____ agreement
- 53 Actress Jessica
- 54 Regrets
- 55 "Miracle" team of 1969
- 57 No lieutenant yet: Abbr.
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Top Cat is a weekly feature that displays one of the top athletes from the past week and gives a profile of the player and moments from the sporting event.

CONSISTENTLY TALENTED

Last season's injury spurs Panther to make up for lost meets

By Micky Deming
Staff Reporter

Eastern swimming head coach Ray Padovan needs just one word to describe what makes Laura Nilsen successful.

Talent.

The sophomore from Orland Park picked up three wins in Saturday's meet against Indiana-Purdue-Indianapolis. She won the 100- and 200-yard backstroke and the 100-yard butterfly. The wins were no surprise to her team. Nilsen has been consistently winning throughout the season.

"The wins aren't the most important thing," Padovan said. "She has more skill than a lot of other people."

Sophomore teammate Emily Immel said Nilsen wins at most of the team's meets. But winning and success haven't been the only experiences for Nilsen since she came to Eastern. She missed most of last season because of a dislocated knee.

"She had a rough season last year with the injury," Padovan said. "It was a big disappointment for her."

Nilsen has been able to turn that disappointment into motivation this year, her first full season swimming with the Panthers.

"Being out made me really want to do well for the team this year, since I couldn't help at the meets as much as I wanted to (last season)," Nilsen said. "It made me want to work hard and win races this year."

That is exactly what she has done, and Immel calls her the driving force of the team.

"Her consistency means a lot to us," Immel said. "We see her winning, and we want to follow suit. It



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Sophomore swimmer Laura Nilsen specializes in the backstroke and individual medley. Nilsen earned three first-place finishes against Indiana-Purdue-Indianapolis on Saturday at Lantz Natatorium.

helps with our confidence."

Nilsen primarily swims the back-

stroke and the individual medley, but in Saturday's meet against

IUPUI, Padovan said he thought the team could get a win in the individual medley without her. Padovan decided to move her to the butterfly.

"She's just an exceptional swimmer all around," Immel said. "Whatever (event) she gets put into she does well."

Nilsen won her butterfly event, and Eastern won the meet 160-139 to capture its second win of the season.

"We really wanted to win after losing to (IUPUI) earlier in the year," Nilsen said. "We've been working really hard, and it was good to see that pay off."

Immel said it was a great win, and the team needed the win with a 1-7 record entering the meet.

The win could help the Panthers as they prepare for the Summit League Championship.

"(The win) gives you more confidence going into the next meets," Nilsen said. "It just makes you more excited to swim after winning like that."

The conference meet has been built up to the entire season.

"It's been a harder season," Padovan said. "But I'm just looking for times to improve – not wins or losses."

Nilsen said her focus is on reducing her times for the conference meet where Padovan expects her to be one of the top finishers in the 100- and 200-yard backstroke and the individual medley.

Nilsen's talent and success throughout the year leave high expectations for her as the season closes.

"She's been successful in whatever she's been put in, and I don't think that will stop anytime soon," Immel said. "I think she'll continue to excel."

Micky Deming can be reached at 581-7944 or at jmdeming@eiu.edu.

» Déjà Vu

FROM PAGE 12

LaPlante said Murphy is a talented player with a bright future, but having a freshman as the leading scorer on the team is a "double-edged sword."

"You're excited when you've got a freshman who's good enough to lead you in scoring," LaPlante said. "But at the same time you realize if you've got a freshman who's leading you in scoring – especially at our level – the chances are that your team is not real, real good."

Eastern was in the same situation last season. Romain Martin led the Panthers in scoring with 14.8 ppg and was named the OVC Freshman of the Year.

The Panthers have played without Martin for five of their eight games this month, but the sophomore guard – who has suffered from a chronic foot injury since December – is slated to play against JSU.

Martin participated in every drill during practice this week and said it was tough to just watch practices and games.

"I've never been hurt, so it was a first for me," Martin said. "I was just real anxious to just practice and just play with the team and finish out these last games strong."

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GAME 21: JACKSONVILLE STATE

Eastern (3-17, 2-10 OVC)
at
Jacksonville State (4-17, 2-11 OVC)

When: 7:30 tonight
Location: Jacksonville, Ala.
Where: Pete Mathews Coliseum
Capacity: 5,500
Jacksonville State head coach: Mike LaPlante (92-132 in eighth season at JSU and eighth overall)
Eastern head coach: Mike Miller (19-58 at Eastern in third season; 106-137 in ninth year overall)
Series history: Series is tied 3-3; Eastern won the last meeting 69-65, on Feb. 22, 2007.
On air: WEIU 88.9 FM with Mike Bradd (play-by-play) and Rich Moser (analyst)

» Flying

FROM PAGE 12

For the Panthers, a win at Jacksonville State would set a program record for number of conference wins, and it would help them push closer to the conference tournament, and possibly a regular season conference championship.

But Eastern will have to make its run for the tournament away from Lantz Arena. Five of the Panthers' remaining nine games are on the road, and eight are conference games.

"I called Dr. (Jon) Steinbrecher and petitioned to have all our remaining games moved to Lantz Arena," Eastern coach Brady Sallee said, referring to the OVC commis-

sioner. "I'm waiting on a call back on that."

After the Jacksonville State game, Eastern will have to play third-place Samford (15-6, 8-3) at the new Pete Hanna Center in Birmingham. The Bulldogs have played well at home, with a 9-2 record there.

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GAME 21: JACKSONVILLE STATE

Eastern (11-9, 10-2 OVC)
at
Jacksonville State (9-12, 6-6)

When: 5:30 tonight
Location: Jacksonville, Ala.
Where: Pete Mathews Coliseum
Capacity: 5,500

Jacksonville State head coach: Becky Geyer (16-34 in two years and 245-141 overall)
Eastern head coach: Brady Sallee (41-64 in four years at Eastern and same overall)
Series history: Jacksonville State leads 5-1; Eastern won the last meeting 82-76 on Feb. 22, 2007.
On air: WEIU 88.9 FM with Ben Turner (play-by-play, analyst)

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MEN'S INDOOR TRACK | NOTEBOOK

Panthers atop OVC

By Dan Cusack
Sports Reporter

For the second consecutive week, and third time this season, an Eastern track and field athlete was named Ohio Valley Conference Track or Field Athlete of the Week.

This week, senior jumper Obe Eruteya was named Co-Field Athlete of the Week for the second time this season, while teammate and sophomore middle-distance runner Jason Springer was named co-track athlete of the week.

Eruteya received the honor for his performance in the triple jump at the Illinois Invitational in Champaign on Saturday. He won with a jump of 48 feet, 9 inches.

"Obe is a very talented guy, and he has his goals set higher than what he did this weekend," said Eastern head men's track coach Tom Akers.

Springer was named Co-Track Athlete of the Week for his personal best time of 1 minute, 53.74 seconds in the 800-meter run on Saturday.

"Springer is off to a great start, and it's really nice to see somebody that puts that much work and effort into it to have the results he is having," Akers said.

Middle-distance support

The middle-distance team helped propel the Panthers to a third-place finish Saturday.

Junior David Holm and sophomores Wed Sheldon and Springer all came in second place.

Holm set a personal record in the mile (4:13.85), while Sheldon set a personal record and was second in the 1,000-meter run (2:30.72).

Akers said the group was deep and talented.

"The middle-distance crew has been really clutch," said freshman sprinter Preston Smith.

The surprising thing is the middle-distance team is not even at full strength. Freshman middle-distance runners Nick Kuczwara did not race over the weekend and freshman middle-distance runner Justin Helpingstine did race, but was not feeling well.

Emanuel's knee OK

Senior sprinter Brenton Emanuel raced for the first time this season on Saturday.



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Sophomore jumper Ian Winston tries another long jump attempt during practice in the Lantz Fieldhouse.

Emanuel had knee surgery last year, and his knee flared up again before Thanksgiving.

"It is just good to see him back out there in uniform," Akers said.

Emanuel placed 17th in the 200-meter dash with a time of 23.31.

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ATHLETICS | EMPLOYMENT

Eastern searches for the right coaches

By Kevin Murphy
Associate Sports Editor

Eastern is currently hunting for a new athletic director.

But that's not the only hole to be filled in the athletic department. Several coaching positions are open as well.

Jorge Munoz left to be the quarterbacks and passing coordinator at Louisiana-Lafayette (a Football Bowl Subdivision team), which leaves the Eastern football team without an offensive coordinator or quarterbacks coach.

"Guys haven't asked about (the open position)," said Eastern defensive coordinator Roc Bellantoni. "It's not a surprise when guys leave us anymore."

This will be the third offensive coordinator in three years for the Panthers.

Munoz was only in that position for one year.

Mark Hutson was the offensive coordinator in the 2006 season and also served as the acting head coach. Hutson is now the offensive line coach at Tulane (another FBS team).

Bellantoni and the rest of the coaches are focused on recruiting right now.

"It hasn't been an issue with any of the kids in terms of recruiting," Bellantoni said.

Jeff Hoover, Eastern's offensive coordinator, said Eastern head coach Bob Spoo isn't in a rush to start the process.

"I'm not worried," Hoover said. "I have total confidence in Coach Spoo that he will address those issues."

It's been an offseason of changes for the football team in terms of leadership. Defensive line coach Shannon Jackson left in December to become the defensive coordinator at Indiana State.

Forrest Jackson was an Eastern defensive assistant, but he was promoted to linebackers coach after Shannon's departure. Bellantoni will now coach the defensive line in addition to his duties as defensive coordinator.

Assistant women's soccer coach needed

Eastern head women's soccer coach Tim Nowak said the women's soccer search committee is in the process of reviewing applications for a new assistant women's soccer coach.

Beth Liesen left in December to pursue a teaching job in the Chicago suburbs.

Liesen was the Eastern assistant women's soccer coach from 2005-07.

Nowak said the search committee is comprised of himself, Eastern head men's soccer coach Adam Howarth, Eastern athletic trainer Jen Tymkew and assistant sports information director Ben Turner.

Nowak said the committee is still accepting applications but will review all of them next week.

The search committee will then conduct phone interviews, and eventually there will be on-campus visits for the coaches.

Players are not a part of the search committee.

"It needs a decision to be made by the coaches, and the players will have the opportunity to meet the (potential) coaches," Nowak said.

Liesen, a Quincy native, finished her third season with the Panthers after she graduated in 2004.

Previous assistant coaches were Kristin Boecker, who is now an associate head coach at Texas San Antonio under former Eastern head coach Steve Ballard, and Howarth, who served as the interim assistant coach at one point.

Men's and women's swimming head coach

Eastern head men's and swimming coach Ray Padovan is retiring at the end of the season after 42 years with the Panthers.

Eastern interim athletic director Ken Baker said the next athletic director would decide who the next head swim coach is.

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ROSS MEISTER

Emotional last meet at home

Eastern's swimming teams have just one final meet of the season before the Summit League Championship from Feb. 21-23.

But it will not be any ordinary swim meet when Saint Louis comes to Lantz Natatorium on Saturday.

There is no question Saint Louis is a powerhouse in swimming and diving. The last time Eastern swam against the Billikens, Saint Louis came away with a sweep, beating Eastern's men's team 148-80 and Eastern's women's team 171-68 in St. Louis.

Even having to face a powerhouse in its last home meet, Eastern has plenty of intangibles going in its favor.

For the first time in 42 years, Eastern heads into its last home meet knowing head coach Ray Padovan will not return. Padovan announced he would retire at the end of the season.

Perhaps the fact that this is Padovan's last meet will provide a little extra spark for the team to do well.

It is also worth mentioning this will also be the last time for many seniors to race in the home pool, of which most have been swimming at for the past four years.

Certainly, it will be a special honor to be recognized for their contributions.

Since it will be their last meet at home, it wouldn't be a surprise if we saw season-best swims this weekend.

Not only will this weekend's meet against Saint Louis be important for Padovan and the seniors, but it will also be a tune-up for the conference meet.

Men's team captain and senior Tim O'Hagan summed up the team's preparation quite well.

"We went into the meet against IUPUI with confidence, and we're going into this next meet with the same mentality," O'Hagan said. "We're going to go in and make Ray's last home meet a victory."

With that confidence and attitude as well as the intangibles the team has going into this emotional Saint Louis meet, they will be ready for the conference meet.

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WOMEN'S BASKETBALL | EASTERN AT JACKSONVILLE STATE

Women flying first-class

First-place Panthers fly to Alabama, play teams strong at home

By Kevin Murphy
Associate Sports Editor

Taking off.

That's what the Eastern women's basketball team plans to do in the next couple of days for the trip to Jacksonville State and Samford.

Eastern is leaving the Coles County Airport on Wednesday night to travel to play Jacksonville State at 5:30 p.m. Thursday in Jacksonville, Ala.

Eastern will then travel by bus to play Samford at 4 p.m. Saturday in Birmingham, Ala.

This year's women's basketball guide features the players on the runway of Coles County Airport on Route 16 between Charleston and Mattoon.

The theme this year is "Prepare for Takeoff."

A pilot training plane is shown flying above the players. At the beginning of the season, taking off looked a little troublesome.

When the team was 0-7, it looked like the plane was grounded.

Then the Panthers experienced some turbulence and suffered injuries to junior forward Rachel Galligan and sophomore guard Jessica Huffman, both of whom were Ohio Valley Conference preseason selections.

But then Eastern (11-9, 10-2 OVC) began to fly through clear air and have now won 11 of its past 13 games.

Eastern is on a four-game win-



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Sophomore guard Ashley Thomas drives past junior guard Ellen Canale during practice last week at Lantz Arena. The Panthers play against Jacksonville State tonight in Jacksonville, Ala.

ning streak and also has a 5-0 conference road record on the line when they play the Gamecocks.

JSU (9-12, 6-6) is currently on a three-game winning streak at home.

"When there is obviously a top and a bottom it's not good for the league," said Jacksonville State coach Becky Geyer. "Everybody has hope. When you're in the top eight you

have a chance to go to the national tournament. We want to be one of those teams."

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MEN'S BASKETBALL | EASTERN AT JACKSONVILLE STATE

Déjà vu tonight for the Panthers?

Gamecocks play similar to Morehead State

By Scott Richey
Sports Editor

Eastern should experience something familiar tonight when they play against Jacksonville State at 7:30 in Jacksonville, Ala.

The Panthers have yet to play JSU this season, but the Gamecocks draw several parallels to Morehead State — the team Eastern beat Saturday night at Lantz Arena.

Both JSU and Morehead State play several young players in a guard-heavy lineup. An experienced guard ranked at the top of the Ohio Valley Conference in assists per game directs each team's offense. And both teams have young post players who can rebound.

It should be déjà vu for Eastern.

Even JSU head coach Mike LaPlante compares his team to Morehead State.

"Listening to (Eagles' head coach Donnie Tyndall) speak, we're kind



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Head basketball coach Mike Miller instructs sophomore guard Romain Martin on what to do when going around a pick during the Panthers practice Tuesday afternoon in Lantz Arena.

of in the same boat," LaPlante said. "We're young and haven't really learned how to win on the road. You just have to keep putting yourself in the position. We're still looking for that first one."

Despite the similarities LaPlante draws between his team and More-

head State, Eastern head coach Mike Miller said JSU would provide different challenges. Miller said that is one thing to expect in the OVC: every team plays a different style.

"Playing (JSU) for the first time this late is difficult," Miller said. "The balance would be similar that they

bring. They have several guys that are all capable. It's just a little bit different in how they play. They have different styles."

Miller said the JSU's balanced offense starts with freshman guard Nick Murphy. Murphy scores 12.1 points and pulls down 4.5 rebounds per game.

"You can't let (Murphy) create offense off his energy," Miller said. "So you've got to make sure that you play his drives, and you've got to make sure you've got him locked out. And make it maybe more difficult for him if you can. With his numbers, I'm not sure anybody's done that much to him." Eastern senior forward Bobby Catchings said the two keys to playing JSU are to execute on offense early in the game and then defend hard.

"We want to make sure we don't give them easy looks," Catchings said. "Those young guys, they get up some confidence, they're good players. So we want to make sure we lock them down and shut them down from the get-go."

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