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Residents of Taylor and Thomas Hall engage in a snowball fight on the South Quad as students took advantage of the day's snow day on Wednesday.

Classes canceled for safety reasons

By **Analia Haynes**
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Classes were canceled Wednesday for the first time in two years because of heavy snowfall and high wind gusts.

The National Weather Service in Lincoln reported blizzard conditions for Coles County.

Residents can expect to see up to six inches of snowfall and wind gusts of up to 45 mph.

Blair Lord, the vice president for academic affairs, made the decision to cancel classes and said it rarely happens at Eastern.

"The running joke was that we never cancel classes," Lord said.

Unlike the public school system, Lord said the university does not have to bus people in and therefore students can easily make it to their classes.

"We have a whole bunch of people living here, a significant portion of students on campus, so we want to provide them with their education," Lord said.

However, since there are students, faculty and

staff who have to commute from far distances, Lord said he had to think about student and employee safety.

"I was up at 4:30 a.m. watching the National Weather Service and looking out my window trying to decide if classes would be canceled," Lord said.

Before 7 a.m., it started to snow heavily and Lord made the call to cancel classes.

Lord said although people are expected to get to work, the decision to cancel classes was a judgment call based on safety.

"Is it realistic to expect (employees and students) to make it to campus?" Lord said.

Lord said the decision to cancel classes was also based on the timing and severity of the weather event.

He said if the storm hit early in the morning then the morning classes would be canceled and if the storm happened in the afternoon then afternoon classes would be canceled.

This one storm was really tricky, Lord said, because it was sudden and lasted all day.

"It was just one of those calls," Lord said. "We

had to make sure there was no struggle for people to get to campus."

Paul McCann, the interim vice president for business affairs, said safety is the university's first priority, and they wanted to make sure their employees were safe to travel.

Although the classes were canceled, the university was still open, and McCann said that is why he came to work.

"We got a lot of things to do, and it doesn't matter if it's snowing out," McCann said.

McCann said the best place for students in this weather is their residence halls because it is warm.

"In general, we prefer to have classes available so students have something to do and get the education they paid for," Lord said. "At the end of the day, we make our best judgment but we always tell students to use their best judgment as well."

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Community to 'Surround the Castle' with love

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Anyone who wants to show Eastern some love can participate in the "Surround the Castle" gathering at 2 p.m. Sunday outside of Old Main.

Jana Johnson, development officer for WEIU-TV, planned "Surround the Castle" and said everyone is invited to show support for the university.

"No matter who you are, young or old, come," she said. "This is not at all political; it's just about loving each other. Let's throw that out for this event, and let's just have a good time."

Attendees are asked to bring a paper cutout heart with what Eastern means to them written on it. These notes will go to President David Glassman.

She said people can feel free to use any colors and decorate the hearts however they like.

"This is just an opportunity to let the president know that the community is behind Eastern and that the people that work here appreciate him, the students, faculty," Johnson said. "It's just a good time to show love."

Johnson said she had the idea for "Surround the Castle" after sharing her feelings about Eastern on social media.

She posted that she felt sad for Eastern, because the layoffs and budget impasse had people scared, and she urged everyone to stay strong.

After that, Charleston Mayor Brandon Combs reached out to her saying he believed in her message and wished there was more that could be done.

Johnson then went to bed and woke up at about midnight with a clear vision of what she could do.

"I woke up and I pictured from up above, if you were up in the sky above Old Main, that there were people totally surrounding it just to show how much they love the school," she said. "And so I thought in my mind, 'How can we do it?' What came to mind was love."

She said after Combs speaks briefly, she would then address the crowd with words of encouragement and instructions to stand along the perimeter of Old Main on the nearby sidewalks.

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Eastern experiences power outages, storm conditions

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Central Illinois was under a blizzard warning most of Wednesday ending at 9 p.m. causing power outages and dangerous conditions throughout Charleston and other areas.

The winter storm warning started at 6 a.m. but escalated to a blizzard warning as wind gusts of 45 to 50 mph combined with snow to produce near whiteout conditions, according to the National Weather Service.

Eastern climatologist Cameron Craig said a low-pressure system from western Kentucky into southern Indiana and northern Ohio is responsible for bringing the snow.

Craig said snow totals would range from 4 to 6 inches; however, he expects these conditions to be short-lived as temperatures rise to the 40s and 50s this weekend.

Ameren spokeswoman Marcelyn Love said crews were dispatched to assess and restore power outages, but the weather slowed down progress to

some degree.

Numbers varied throughout the day in Coles County from about 300 outages Wednesday morning to upwards of 6,000 by noon before dwindling back down.

Love said additional personnel were called in to assist in repairing widespread infrastructure damage, as about 100 broken or leaning poles and 300 downed power lines were reported.

Dan Ensen, director of the Coles County Emergency Management Agency, said the city of Charleston experienced a power outage Wednesday morning lasting about 20 minutes.

He said because most of the county's power outages were being attended to, they did not cause much disruption, and no shelters had to be opened.

However, Ensen encourages people to have kits prepared in their homes and vehicles including non-perishable food, drinks and warm clothing and blankets in case they have to wait in an extended outage situation.



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An Eastern groundskeeper runs a snowplow on the sidewalk next to Buzzard Hall on Wednesday. Eastern climatologist Cameron Craig said that snow totals would vary between four and six inches throughout the area.

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Students to compete in annual pageant

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Dressed in white dresses with their heads held high, nine ladies prepare to take the stage for the 45th annual Miss Black EIU Scholarship Pageant.

The theme of this year's pageant is "Rise of the Roses: An Affair Tribute and Transformation."

The event will be at 6 p.m. Saturday in the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union Grand Ballroom. The tickets for the pageant are \$10.

The Miss Black EIU pageant arrived on Eastern's campus in 1971.

Jessica Stallworth, contestant No. 1, said she joined the pageant because she wanted to do something that would benefit herself.

Martina Austin, contestant No. 8, said this pageant was something that was completely out of her comfort zone, so she is doing it to find who she is.

Julianne Adegoriolu, contestant No. 5, said this pageant is a way to tell her story in a positive light.

"I was so worried about balancing school and being on an executive board," Adegoriolu said. "I also had doubts in myself. I did not know if I was capable of being so full of courage to go out there and actually tell my story."

Adegoriolu said this pageant is important for her because this is the first time her mom will hear her story and the things that have happened to her.

"This pageant means so much to me because it has made me grow and look back on life and be so grateful," Adegoriolu said.

Salonje Dorsey, contestant No. 3, said she joined this pageant because she worked behind-the-scenes for the last two and now has enough confidence to be an actual contestant.

She said she was supposed to participate in the pageant last year, but decided not to.

Dorsey said she had doubts about participating in the pageant because she was so nervous.

Austin said this pageant taught her perseverance and it has been a good journey for her.

"I earned my name Relentless Valor for a reason," Austin said. "I overcame every obstacle that was thrown my way."

Dorsey said participants have to be confident and open to get in front of a large crowd at such an important event and be able to discuss the topics that her and her pageant sisters will discuss.

Austin said she never imagined being able to get in front of a large group of people and reveal so much about herself.

"This pageant taught me that you are who you are for a reason, and you have to be ready to learn something new about yourself everyday," Stallworth said.

Dorsey said winning is not her goal for the pageant.

Her goal is to open up about who she is and what her story is.

She said if she does not win she would not be upset.

"I want the audience to know that your purpose has yet to come, and when it does come embrace it with everything that you have," Adegoriolu said.

Stallworth said there are often many misconceptions about pageants.

She said these misconceptions will not be discredited until people see what the pageant is for themselves.

"Initially, I thought pageants were based on beauty and looks," Stallworth said. "When I joined this pageant, I saw the true beauty of it, and what it was really about."

Dorsey said she thought that all pageants were like beauty pageants.



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Alexis Lambert, an Eastern alumna and former Miss Black EIU, stands with the runner up of the pageant after the Miss Black EIU pageant in the Grand Ballroom of the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union on February 23, 2014.

"This pageant is not about how you look," Dorsey said. "Miss Black EIU is about what your message is, and what you are trying to get the audience on campus to learn about you."

Dorsey said Miss Black EIU is a platform given to black women that they could not get anywhere else in the university.

"Yes, a pageant does give you confidence, but it also gives you the ability to think on a deeper level, to be humble and to be kind to others," Adegoriolu said.

Austin said she believes she embodies what it means to be Miss Black EIU.

She said she is strong, courageous and determined.

Austin said throughout the pageant she has been achieving goals that she thought would not be possible.

Dorsey said she would be discussing a topic that is taboo in the black community.

She said this topic is something that

the black community really does not talk about, but needs to be aware of.

Stallworth said being involved in this pageant is not difficult or easy, but doable.

"This pageant helped me open up and be more confident in who I am as a woman," Austin said.

Dorsey said African-American women who are watching this pageant could see this as a voice for them.

She said even if some of the women who are listening are not confident enough to go out and tell their stories, they will know there is someone out there going through the same things that they are.

"I want everyone to know that life is a beautiful thing," Adegoriolu said. "If you do not see your purpose right now, there will be a day that you wake up and it just clicks."

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CAA to revise majors, courses, options

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The Council on Academic Affairs will act on proposed catalog changes for several courses, options, majors and minors at 2 p.m. Thursday in Room 4440 of Booth Library.

The revised courses include PLS 3543, Civil Liberties in America, which calls for an update in the course language and allows the course to be delivered online.

The course is offered over the spring and summer.

According to the rationale for the course revision, online delivery will provide added scheduling flexibility for students, especially those who want to take it over the summer but do not want to live locally.

The course will be delivered through

Desire to Learn. Faculty who completed the training for online course development and pedagogy will teach the online sections.

According to the rationale, the only difference between the online course and the face-to-face course will be the way discussion is carried out through either a discussion board online or a seminar room.

According to the rationale, the faculty and students can facilitate a rich discussion in either learning environment.

Members will also act on the revision to the history major, which includes history with teacher licensure, history with international studies and history as a minor.

The history department offered four principles in their rationale to revise the major, including being able to ex-

pose students to deep content knowledge to multiple fields of history emphasizing student understanding of the nature of historical pursuit.

The revision was made to allow students more freedom and choice within the major and to recruit history minors as well as majors.

The department also reduced the number of required credit hours in order for students to be able to adopt other minors, allow for the recruitment of majors from sophomores, juniors, transfers already at Eastern, and to be more aligned and competitive with their peer institutions and with other majors at the university.

There is another revision to the HIS 4375, History Capstone Seminar course.

According to the rationale for HIS 4375, the history department has

placed an emphasis on the professional development of their majors and on identifying skill development throughout the major.

The rationale adds an introductory course, HIS 1101, and a senior Capstone.

According to the rationale, it will enable History majors to solidify their training in the historical discipline.

In order to accomplish this all history majors will apply their transferrable skills to a written research project, a public presentation, and a set of professional development pieces.

The CAA will approve several proposed changes from the department of music since they could not do so last week as a result of a canceled meeting.

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What's Happening on Campus?

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People work, study, relax on snow day

By Cassie Buchman
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Even though classes were canceled on Wednesday, people were still out and about on campus, working, studying and relaxing.

Tony Craig, a building service worker at Booth Library and the Triads, had been shoveling the entryway around the library on and off since around 8 a.m.

He said he did not know if BSWs could prepare for snow days, but they prepare for the winter weather by getting chemicals like Ice Melt ready.

"Ice Melt and shovels, that's what we use," Craig said.

Craig said snow removal takes priority over cleaning, but he still has to have all of his cleaning done.

He said sometimes they have to come in and start shoveling right away, which can make his job harder, but Wednesday was different since when Craig came in at 4 a.m. it was raining.

The best way to stay warm while shoveling, Craig said, is by wearing layers, but he also has to dress for inside buildings since that is where a lot of his work is.

"I don't mind shoveling snow," Craig said. "It's just part of the job. It's what we get paid for."

Dan Icenogle, a Panther shuttle driver, said he had to be extra cautious and more watchful for other cars because of the snow.

Driving the bus since 2008, he can only remember two different times the buses stopped running as a result of inclement weather.

He said even though classes were canceled, people "still like to go to places," though they have to be mindful of safety.

The shuttle bus stopped running at 3 p.m. and Icenogle said his last stop was at 2:47 p.m.

For some, the snow and resulting power outages made it harder to do their job.

In Thomas Dining Hall, the cash register students use to swipe their Panthercards lost power, so the student working the register had to write their names and E-numbers by

hand in a notebook.

The pizza oven also stopped working for a while and the lights overhead went out, so Niharika Mandhada, a graduate student of technology, had to use flashlights.

Mandhada, who is from India, said she has not seen snow like the kind in Charleston, but she thinks it is fun.

Marvin Collins, president of Kappa Alpha Psi, was inside the library taking care of business for his fraternity and handling taxes.

Collins also had to be AT&T at 1 p.m. where he works as a sales agent.

"I gotta get stuff done," Collins said. "I already had it set on my calendar to do on this day in particular."

He said the cancellation of class made all this easier as he did not have to cram all of his studies in.

Being from Chicago, Collins is used to the snowy weather, but said if he had to choose he would choose sunny days over cold ones.

"Who wants to deal with snow?" Collins asked. "The only thing I care about with snow is (having a) white Christmas."

Lois Dickenson, a Charleston resident, came to the library to research despite the snow because she works better without distractions.

"(Being) home, TV, partners, kids, housework," Dickenson said.

Loreal Rogers, a junior sociology major, was working on an assignment that was due at 2 p.m.

"I just wanted to get it out of the way," Rogers said. "Otherwise I wouldn't be here."

She said if she was not at the library, she would be sleeping. Originally, she was supposed to work in the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union, but they called and let her know she would not have to come in because they were not expecting many people.

Colleen Danaher, a junior communication studies major, still worked in the Food Court Wednesday.

She said she woke up in the morning to check if classes were canceled, "for the heck of it," even though none of her friends thought they



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Rupa Vaddi (left) and Ravali Saranga, technology graduate students, serve food at Thomas Dining Hall using a flashlight after the power went out during the snow day Wednesday.

would be.

Danaher said she did not mind working still.

"It's making money," Danaher said.

Although Danaher said business can be slow during the weekends in the Union, it was not usual for it to be as slow as it was on Wednesday.

Java Beanery and Bakery was also having a slow business day, with customers coming about every 20 minutes.

Michael Reilly, a senior health administration major, said they usually had people coming in nonstop from 8 a.m. to 11 a.m.

Avinash Chilaka, a graduate student of technology, said they would usually have a line by that time.

Java ended up closing early Wednesday.

Chilaka said he would just go home and do his homework with his newfound free time.

Conor Baltz, a freshman biology major and Ava Gillespie, a freshman history and English major, took ad-



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Ava Gillespie, a freshman history and English major, plays pingpong in the Thomas Hall lobby during the snow day Wednesday.

vantage of their time off by playing pingpong in Thomas Hall.

"I'll probably play a little pingpong then get stuff done," Baltz said.

Gillespie said she was "super excit-

ed" for the day off of classes because she was up late the night before.

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Black GirlZ Rock! postponed for poor weather conditions

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The third annual Black GirlZ Rock! has been postponed because of weather conditions that would have made it difficult for people to attend the event.

Black GirlZ Rock! is an event put on by the women of Zeta Phi

Beta Sorority, and it was scheduled to happen at 7 p.m. Wednesday in 7th Street Underground in the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union.

Breanna Young, the public relations chair for Zeta Phi Beta, said members of the sorority figured not many people would show up, so they decided to push the date

back.

Young said they are in the process of scheduling a new date as well as a new room. She said they may be able to make the event during African-American Heritage Month, but it will not be for sure.

"If we push it too far out, that means that we are going into different organization's events," Young

said. "We don't want to have that conflict where we're taking away from somebody else's event."

The adviser for Zeta Phi Beta notified the women from the sorority in advance that a postponement would happen.

Young said their adviser told them to be prepared after hearing about the weather conditions.

Around nine to 10 performances were scheduled to hit the stage Wednesday night.

Young said in past years 70 to 100 students have come out to support the event.

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Lauren McQueen

Look up to people who are positive influences

I can't go on Facebook anymore without seeing something about the Kardashian family. Someone in that clan is always trending or popping up on my news feed.

Last month, I watched a trending video of Kourtney eating a Kit Kat in what she considered the "correct way." It took her five minutes to eat one half of the small candy bar, and I honestly couldn't tell you why I watched it other than because it was trending.

Currently, Rob Kardashian is trending on Facebook because he lost 40 pounds. While this is great news for him, is this really the most important thing happening in the world? A couple weeks ago, Kim and Kanye West were all over social media for the feud with Wiz Khalifa and Amber Rose. Boring.

Why do people care about that? Sure, it provides their audience with a week of entertainment, but it's so childish.

Why are the Kardashians even famous? It sure isn't thanks to Kim's singing career. She first gained media attention because she was friends with Paris Hilton. Wouldn't it be nice to be worth \$85 million just by associating with a famous person?

Obviously this isn't the only reason that the Kardashians are famous, but currently they are only famous because they are the Kardashians.

The Kardashians are hilarious, but they are in no way positive role models, especially Kim. She has no talent yet she uses her image to make millions of dollars a year, spending a good chunk of it on plastic surgery operations.

She'll do anything for attention. Have you ever seen "Keeping up with the Kardashians" or do you remember her 72-day long marriage to basketball player Kris Humphries? She reportedly made \$1 million just for allowing the wedding to air on E!

For a total of three weddings, Kim Kardashian spent nearly \$50 million.

She could personally fund EIU with that money alone. She could also get her husband out of debt with that amount of money.

Maybe he should have reconsidered buying her 10 Burger King branches for a wedding present.

The Kardashians clearly have no priorities. They blow their money on materialistic objects when they could actually be using their money for good.

I have never once heard of a Kardashian doing charity work or donating money to organizations like so many other celebrities.

Earlier this month, Jennifer Lawrence donated \$2 million to a children's hospital in Kentucky.

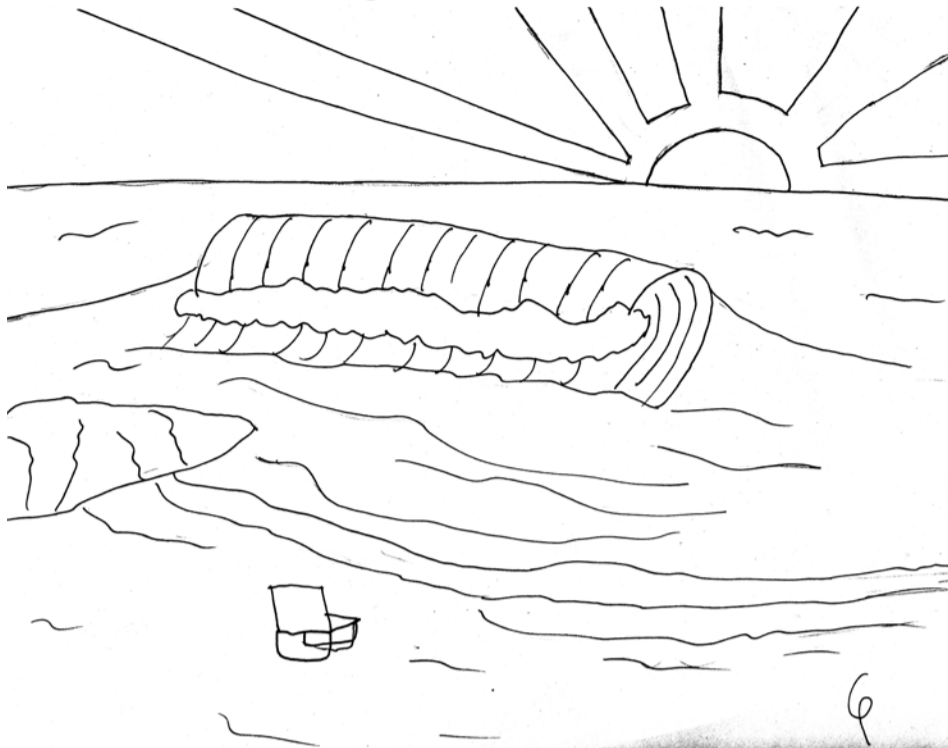
Taylor Swift has also long been considered a good role model, especially for young girls. She has managed to stay out of serious scandals since being in the spotlight, and she donates to numerous charities and organizations.

There are hundreds of celebrities doing positive things for society.

If you are going to have a celebrity role model, at least make it a good one.

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Thinking of Stable Weather



CHRIS PICKARD | THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

Staff Editorial

Rauner gives money but no budget

Rep. Reggie Phillips recently received \$53,000 from Citizens for Rauner, Inc. in an effort to help out Phillips' re-election campaign.

However, this did not go over well with the people, and Phillip's Facebook page quickly filled with comments criticizing his decision to take the funds.

In Tuesday's edition of *The Daily Eastern News*, the article, "Phillips receives money from Rauner," said Phillips took the funds he received and has decided to donate it to different areas within the district instead of using it toward his re-election campaign.

Phillips and Gov. Bruce Rauner have established a relationship, as Rauner endorses Phillips for re-election as representative for the 110th district.

Now, Phillips made statements to explain his decision to change the nature of his receiving of the funds.

The News' article explained that Phillips said asking for money was a result from poor advice.

Phillips continued to say while it is normally an honor to receive donations from the governor, in this case, donations from the governor seem inappropriate.

Phillips did not directly donate the money he received from Rauner, but instead matched the donation amount by donating to different areas within the district.

If anything, it would have been easier to transfer the money from the Citizens for Rauner, Inc.

It is good that the same amount of money was donated to different parts of the community such as Sexual Assault Counseling and Information Services, but keeping the money may not have been the greatest idea either.

Charlie Wheeler, director of the public affairs reporting program at the University of Illinois Springfield, said in the same story that Rauner has been contributing to representatives and senators to vote his way.

All this money is being given to people from the governor while the state is still in a budget impasse and will enter its ninth

month Tuesday.

Phillips said having a relationship with Rauner is necessary to help the district, and Rauner would be most likely to listen on issues concerning funding for higher education, especially for Eastern.

However, this has not panned out so well given problems mentioned previously.

Asking for money was a poor decision, and keeping it may have been a poorer one.

Phillips said the money wasn't needed for his campaign.

The money should not even have been asked for in the first place, as it creates a conflict with the people from Charleston who work at Eastern and are hurt by Rauner's inability to pass a budget.

As this continues, the state continues with its hardships, and higher education continues to suffer.

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

A good leader can make a positive impact

Tuesday night, three of my teammates and I were sent to a leadership conference to learn more about what it takes to be a great leader for your team, and for the outside workforce.

The Ohio Valley Conference holds this leadership conference for athletes chosen by their coaches every year.

We went through various PowerPoint slides with inspiring quotes and did exercises to show how effective good leadership is.

One exercise we had to do was based on our ideals as a leader. We had to stand next to a sign for given rules that if were broken, said if it was unacceptable, somewhat acceptable, somewhat unacceptable, and unacceptable to break that rule.

This got me to really think about what actions I would find to be acceptable or unacceptable if a person in any organizations around campus were to break these rules.

This conference, as a whole, got me to consider and decipher what kind of leader I aspire to be, so I thought about the types of leaders that I've been under in my life so far.

I thought about the leader by example and how this leader is always doing the right things at practice, in the classroom, or at work.

This leader knows the people under them are constantly watching them to see how to do something correctly.

If they decide they want to slack one day, it could cause destruction to the entire organi-



Maria Baldwin

ance are doing all the right things that the leader isn't, they are going to lose followers more quickly because they can't show the organization how much they care.

The last type I considered was the leader who absolutely doesn't care. The people looking for guidance can do whatever they want, whenever they want, and no rules are enforced.

This type of leader is especially deadly to an organization because by leading by careless example, they are showing that it is OK to not care about the cause.

As a junior next year, I will become an upperclassman in a handful of organizations on campus, and I will become the authority in many cases.

I aspire to be the kind of leader who people want to follow, because I get work done and help others with their work to help them better themselves for when they are the leaders.

I have had such great experiences with leadership, great examples of leaders that I aspire to be like, while I've had a few poor leaders who I can learn from as well.

Either way, with the trust from those under you, I know anyone can lead by example to have success in any organization.

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Tim Zimmer, Eastern's director of facilities, planning and management, said the entire campus lost power for a while when the city experienced its outage.

Zimmer said all generators kicked on successfully, so heat was on throughout campus despite the lack of electricity.

The Renewable Energy Center's generator experienced an issue that facilities workers were able to resolve, Zimmer said.

He said an emergency generator would be able to keep the boilers on at the Renewable Energy Center so heat can continue to be provided to campus.

"We had a couple hiccups due to the power. We plan to run the emergency generator all night just in case there are more problems with the power due to the high winds with the power lines," Zimmer said. "We have an obligation to the students to provide heat as best we can, and for us the best way to do that is to run the generator all night."

Eastern's power outage did cause some issues, such as a student getting temporarily stuck in the Lawson Hall elevator and the fire alarm needing to be reset at the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union.

"It's the sort of thing that happens every time we lose power," Zimmer said. "It just takes time to get everything reset."

He said they have to reset the alarms, the lights and the temperature control system. "Fortunately for us we have personnel on staff who were able to address just about all those things," Zimmer said.

Facilities workers were also out clearing snow from sidewalks and parking lots.

Zimmer said the staff was slightly reduced because some had travel issues, but the others were present for their normal shifts before the snow started.

If anyone notices a slick spot on campus, Zimmer said it can be reported to facilities and workers will apply salt or Ice Melt to the area.

"This weather could have been a lot worse," Zimmer said. "With it being this warm, we haven't really seen the (snow) drifting that we were worried about, and the weather has been hovering right around freezing, so all the slush that was on the streets and sidewalks hasn't turned to ice yet."

Ice was still a concern and potential danger for roads, however.

Ensen said I-57 remained open, though numerous accidents occurred. The state police warned drivers to only use the highway if absolutely necessary.

He said driving conditions should be safe by Thursday as long as the snow lets up and trucks can get out to plow the roads.

"With the blowing snow, if you get stuck, there's no telling how long you'll be there," he said. "The big concern right now is we just really don't want people out driving around if they don't have to be."

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Frank Goldacker, a professor of communication disorders and sciences, clears snow off his vehicle Wednesday near the tennis courts. Goldacker promised to exempt students from a quiz on Friday if they sent him a photo of themselves making a snow angel.



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Emma Dambek, a freshman history major, watches for snowballs with one ready to throw during the Taylor-Thomas snowball fight Wednesday in the South Quad.



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Tony Craig, a building service worker, shovels snow out of the way of Booth Library Wednesday morning. Craig has been a BSW for 10 years.

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She said she envisions people meeting and talking with one another, and she hopes students will come so they realize that people from the community are there for them.

"I'm a community person who grew up in Charleston, who loves Eastern, and I want to spread positive attitudes all around the school," Johnson

said. "It's time that we all come together."

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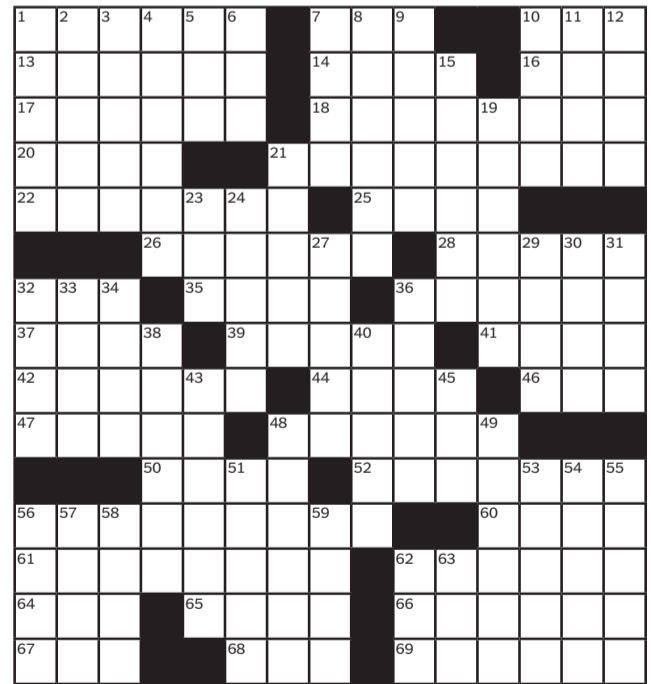
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 - 14 Some trophies
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 - 17 "Gosh darn it!"
 - 18 Ford aircraft of the 1920s-'30s
 - 20 Hand over
 - 21 Flame-colored gemstones
 - 22 Hindu god pictured playing a flute
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 - 48 Sink to the bottom
 - 50 Onetime Mustang option
 - 52 Like elephant seals
 - 56 Hospital conveyance
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Panthers lose during final road game of season

By Mark Shanahan
Staff Reporter | @DEN_Sports

The Eastern women's basketball team is no match for OVC-leader Tennessee-Martin as the Panthers lost, 91-52, on Wednesday night.

Phylicia Johnson, Grace Lennox, Erica Brown, Shakita Cox and Jalisha Smith got the start on Wednesday night against Tennessee-Martin.

Senior Haley Howard opened up the scoring in the game for Tennessee-Martin by knocking down a pair of free throws after being fouled by Brown.

Eastern answered with a three pointer from Cox, but Jessie Ward quickly answered that with a three pointer of her own.

From there, Eastern made only one of eight baskets as Tennessee-Martin was able to go on a 6-0 run to make the score 11-3, forcing head coach Debbie Black to take a timeout.

Brown had two quick personal fouls, which caused her to sit for the remainder of the first quarter. Eastern trailed 21-10 after one period and shot just 20 percent from the field as they were 3-15.

Tennessee-Martin shot 46 percent from the field and was three for eight from beyond the arc.

Tennessee-Martin really poured it on in the second quarter as they outscored Eastern, 35-16.



They ended the first half shooting 61 percent from the field and 53 percent from three-point range.

Howard led all scorers with 13 points and six rebounds in the first half of play.

Eastern finished the first half shooting just 24 percent from the field and 18 percent from beyond the arc.

They trailed, 56-26, at halftime with Brown, the leading scorer on the team, having eight points.

The Panthers had just two baskets halfway through the second, but they were able to get to the line and make some free throws toward the end of the first half.

Tennessee-Martin continued to pull away to start the second half as they scored 15 unanswered points in a little over three minutes midway through the third quarter.

During that run, Eastern turned the ball over six times. Tennessee-Martin ended up outscoring the Panthers, 21-10, in the third to make the score, 77-36, heading into the final quarter.

Tennessee-Martin played most of their bench for the final quarter as they held the huge lead.

Eastern ended up outscoring them, 16-14, in the final quarter. Overall, Eastern shot 34 percent in the game while Tennessee-Martin shot 53 percent from the field.

Tennessee-Martin capitalized off of the Eastern turnovers all night as they scored 31 points off of the 18 turnovers by the Panthers.

They also dominated in the paint as they had 42 points compared to Eastern's 26.

Ward was the leading scorer in the game with her 19 points. She was 5-for-8 from three-point range and added three rebounds.

Howard finished with 16 points and seven rebounds for Tennessee-Martin.

Eastern will head back home for its final game of the season on Saturday afternoon at Lantz Arena.

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Junior guard Phylicia Johnson has 159 points in 22 games averaging 7.2 points on the season for the Panthers.

Track and field fully prepared for final tournament

By Tyler McCluskey
Staff Reporter | @DEN_Sports

The Eastern track and field teams are coming off a great finish from their last meet and are using that to power them into the Ohio Valley Conference championship this weekend.

At the EIU Friday Night Special, the women's track team finished first and the men finished second.

Last year, the Eastern women's team won its sixth indoor title.

Southeast Missouri won its second consecutive title.

Junior Ivy Handley had a season best time of 5:06.81 in the mile run.

In the 3000-meter run, junior Ruth Garippo finished second with a time of 10:24.30.

Handley was also the OVC Track Athlete of the Week.

Senior Briana Walker finished first in the 200-meter dash with a time of 25.63.

Finishing right behind here was junior Ashley Fouch with a time of 26.38. Senior Dhiaa Dean finished first in the 400-meter dash with a time of 58.24.

In the 4x400 meter relay, the team of junior Tori Master, freshman Shirley Jones, junior Kaitlyn Corzine, and freshman Ashley Parola took the top time of 4:10.04.

Master also placed second in the 400-meter hurdles with a time of 1:05.57. She finished behind teammate Amina Jackson, a senior who had a time of 1:03.16.

Junior Jamal Robinson placed first in the 200-meter dash with a time of 22.05. Senior Calvin Edwards placed second behind Robinson with a time of 22.21. Edwards also finished in

first in the 400-meter dash with a 49.78 time.

Senior Christian Ilunga-Mathiesen finished with a personal record in the 60-meter dash with a time of 6.76 and was the OVC Track Athlete of the Week.

Senior Janie Howse set an Eastern record in the weight throw with a 62'01.00" throw.

Howse was named the OVC Field Athlete of the Week.

The Panther women finished 11 points ahead of Indiana State to get the win.

The men took second place, but only by three points.

Southeast Missouri's senior pole vaulter Christian Locke was named the OVC Field Athlete of the Week for the second-straight week.

Locke broke the school's indoor record with 17'0.75" during the

Redhawks invitational.

The previous record was 16'11.5" set by Jaret Willi in 2002. Locke is 45th in the nation.

The week before, Locke had the height of 16'7.25" at the Purdue University Fred Wilt invitational.

Also for the Redhawks, junior Marc Maton and junior Megan Parks both set new 1000-meter indoor records.

Maton had the time of 2:26.25, which broke the 2009 record of 2:27.60 set by Paul Stemmerman. Parks finished with a time of 2:53.33, which beat the 1998 record set by Janelle Quigley.

The host team, Tennessee State, had a good showing at their last meet, the Samford Open.

Tennessee State's 4x400 relay team of Amber Hughes, Clairwin Dameus, Kayla Pryor and Christian Pryor

finished with an OVC best time of 3:41.92.

Hughes was also the top NCAA finisher in the 60-meter hurdles with a time of 8.39.

Quamel Prince won the 800m for the men's side with a time of 1:51.27. Malik Wright set a personal record in the 400-meter with a 49.26 time.

Shaquille Cragwakk took third place in the triple jump with a 14.8 meter jump.

Kyle Washington threw the shot put 16.01 meters to take fourth place.

Tennessee State will host the OVC indoor championship on Feb. 26th-27th.

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Men's basketball team finishes regular season at home

By Maher Kawash
Staff Reporter | @DEN_Sports

The Eastern men's basketball team closes out its regular season Thursday night, and it may be the most important game of the year.

The Panthers welcome Murray State into Lantz Arena in their final game before the Ohio Valley Conference tournament.

Not only will the Panthers be wrapping up their regular season, but a special atmosphere will also be in the arena for Senior Night. Eastern will honor four seniors before the game. Luke Norman, Joe Kuligowski, Luke Piotrowski, and the team's leading scorer Trae Anderson will all be graduating this semester.

As the Panthers honor their seniors, they will also have their focus on many other things in the game. While both of these teams have a tournament berth locked up, this game still has many postseason implications.

Eastern comes into the game at 8-7 in OVC play this season, which is good for 3rd place in the OVC West. The Panthers sit a game and a half behind division leaders Murray State and Tennessee-Martin, who are tied at 9-5 in conference play.

With this being the last game of the regular season for Eastern, there is no possible way for the team to finish the season atop the West division. Along with a win against Murray State, the Panthers will need other things to fall their way in hopes of moving to 2nd in the West, and earning a higher seed.

After this game, the Racers have a matchup set with Tennessee-Martin for both teams' final game of the season, and the winner of that may be crowned as winner of the division.

While those teams continue to fight for seeding with the conference tournament inching closer, Eastern is looking for a win to end the regular season.

That win is not going to come easy though, as Murray State offers a great challenge for the Panthers.

Last time these two teams faced off in Murray, Ky., the Panthers struggled for most of the game in a 68-58 loss.

While the Panthers have lost three



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Freshman wing Marshawn Blackmon look to block another player in a game against St. Ambrose on Feb. 1.

of their last four games, it can be said that this team found the chemistry they needed to win important games.

After that loss to Murray State, Eastern started clicking on all cylinders en route to a five game winning streak.

After hitting a bump in the road and losing three-straight games, the Panthers answered in their last game with a 61-58 victory.

That win did not come easy for the Panthers, but the team led by 16 points in the game when the offense was clicking.

Now in their final game, Eastern is looking to avenge its loss earlier in the season to Murray State and to make a statement ahead of the OVC tournament.

In that effort, the Panthers will lean

on the team's leaders for an answer on offense against a strong Racer defense. Murray State's defense is ranked second in the OVC, as the Racers are allowing just 67 points per game.

Eastern's answer to that defense will be leading scorer Trae Anderson.

Anderson is one of many key parts in the offense with an average of about 15 points per game.

Three other guys are averaging double-digit scoring on the team, such as junior Demetrius McReynolds, sophomore Cornell Johnston, and junior A.J. Riley.

The Panthers have also celebrated a special season for freshman Casey Teson, who is just six completed three pointers away from the school record.

McReynolds and Teson have stepped up their play of late and were

honored for the special performances.

McReynolds is averaging 14 points per game in conference play, and his most recent performance against Southeast Missouri was just another strong game for the junior transfer.

McReynolds finished the game with 19 points and 12 rebounds against the Redhawks, and was named OVC Newcomer of the Week for his performance.

It was the sixth time this season that he finished with 19 or more points.

Teson has improved lately by averaging 15 points per game in the last week, as well as making 8 of his 16 three point attempts.

While the Panthers' offense has succeeded of late, it is their defense that has been problematic.

Eastern has allowed 70 or more points in its last four games, while losing three of those points in the final two minutes of each game.

The Panthers' answer on defense starts with defending Murray State's top three scorers.

Bryce Jones, Wayne Langston, and Jeffery Moss are all averaging more than 10 points per game for the Racers.

With the season coming to a close, this is the final chance for the Panthers to try and finish with a statement win.

Action tips-off at 8:30 p.m. in Lantz Arena, and the game will be broadcast on CBS Sports Network.

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Baseball team adds to losing streak with Vanderbilt loss

By Jack Arkus
Staff Reporter | @DEN_Sports

Despite running into a patch of snow early Wednesday morning, the Eastern baseball team arrived in Nashville to take on the Vanderbilt Commodores.

The Panthers fell to the Commodores, 9-1, Wednesday evening, leaving them 0-4 to start the season.

Eastern trailed by one until the 6th inning, where the Commodores put up one run and added two more in the 7th. The 8th inning gave way to five more runs scored by Vanderbilt.

Eastern's right-handed pitcher Ben Hughes, a red-shirt freshman, pitched a sound three innings, allowing one hit and one run while walking three batters.

Hughes pitched one inning longer than expected and head Coach Jason Anderson was pleased with his performance.

"I knew this game was going to be reliant on our bullpen, so it was nice to see Ben go the extra inning," Anderson said.

Winning pitcher Patrick Raby pitched seven innings, allowing just one hit.

Raby struck out eleven and allowed no runs while on the mound for Vanderbilt.

The Panthers had three hits during the game while the Commodores accu-



MACKENZIE FREUND | THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

Sophomore catcher Hunter Morris catches a pitch in the first game of a doubleheader against Eastern Kentucky on April 26, 2015.

mulated 11. Freshman Dane Toppel and sophomore Josh Turnock were the pair of pinch hitters for Eastern who made up for two of their three hits.

Toppel struck a double in the 9th in-

ning, giving him his first hit of the season. He advanced to third base on a wild pitch and was driven in by sophomore Turnock the next at bat.

Sophomore Bryan Reynolds batted

five times on the day and contributed three hits for Vanderbilt. He had 1 RBI and scored twice.

Ro Coleman, junior outfielder, and freshman designated hitter Alonzo Jones

each had a pair of RBI's while giving their team some more insurance.

Eastern tried adjusting at the plate, but it was a slow day for them. As a team, they struck out sixteen times but remained aggressive throughout the game.

On the field, the conditions were wet and the wind had a slight gust. The late error in the 7th by Eastern on an overthrow from a bunt gave way to two more runs for the Commodores.

"The conditions were a bit tough, and that changed that game for us late. We were able to keep up with a good team for most of the game and we just have to move on from there," Anderson said.

Eastern's approach will remain the same going into this weekend against Central Arkansas. The team looks to expand their potential in the four-game set and intends on being aggressive at the plate.

Anderson wants his team to adjust on offense a little more, and limiting strikeouts will be key to the team's success.

The Eastern baseball team will head to Conway, Ark., for a four-game series against Central Arkansas this weekend. The Panthers are currently 0-4 overall.

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