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CAMPUS | CRIME

Vandals hit athletic facilities

By COLLIN WHITCHURCH
Assistant Sports Editor

A window was broken in the press box at O'Brien Stadium and graffiti was found early Saturday morning on several Eastern athletic facilities.

Graffiti was found on multiple brick walls across the athletic department, including the west wall of Lantz Arena near the Student Recreation Center, the wall behind home plate at Coaches Stadium, the track and the football field, said Mark Bonnstetter, associate athletic director.

Bonnstetter said the incident was reported to the University Police Department and the situation is in its hands.

University Police Chief Adam Due was not available for comment.

Bonnstetter said there was no estimate on the amount of damage done to the facilities, but facility workers would be working Monday and today on removing the paint.

The glass window in the press box has already been boarded up, and Bonnstetter said all they are waiting for is the new window to arrive as a replacement.

The Eastern football team held its annual spring game Saturday morning at O'Brien Stadium, and a mat covered the graffiti that was put on the track around the field during the game.

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CAMPUS | MEMORIAL



KAROLINA STRACK | THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

Sue Songer, international student adviser, wipes off tears during the memorial for three international students who were killed last month as Anupama Makineni, a chemistry graduate student, looks on in tears at a photo compilation. The memorial took place Monday evening in the Grand Ballroom of the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union.

Campus remembers students

International students' lives reflected on by friends, family

By EMILY ZULZ
Associate News Editor

Three yellow petals lie in contrast with each dark blue chair they

sat on in the Grand Ballroom of the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union.

One petal for each student - Anusha Anumolu, Anitha Lakshmi Veerapaneni and Priya Darshini Muppavarapu.

A memorial service was held Monday night for the three international students that died in an

early March 21 car crash near St. Louis.

Large photographs of the girls stood on easels at the front of the room with large strings of yellow flowers around each portrait.

Thoughts and memories were shared during the service from administrators, friends and family.

Netish Adusumilli, Veerapaneni's

fiancé and the only survivor of that car, was in attendance for the service.

Bill Elliot, director of International Admissions, began by saying Anumolu, Veerapaneni and Muppavarapu were students while here at Eastern.

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CAMPUS | EVENT

Students challenge views about gender

By JESSICA LEGGIN
Campus Editor

Students in a rhetoric class, which focuses on different gender theories, decided to put on a program called "Gender Unplugged" to challenge the views society has about gender and sexuality.

The program will take place from 1 to 4 p.m. in the North Quad today.

Kevin Wick, a senior communication studies major, is one of the students in the class taught by Marita Gronnvoll, an assistant professor in the communication studies department, who are dedicated to put on this program as a part of their final grade.

Even though this is a class assignment, Wick and his fellow students want other students to understand the message they are trying to get across about gender.

"We are focusing on that gender is innate and natural and

showing how masculinity and femininity is seen as natural," he said.

During the event, students are able to visit the main attraction, the "Gender Tent," which will be composed of photographs of people who are transgendered and transsexual.

Wick said this event is not put on to cause a stir.

"We want to stress that this is an educational event, and it is not meant to be a freak show or side show," he said. "It's for a class."

The tent will also include several researched theories about gender and sexuality.

"We are backing up everything we are arguing with theories from gender theorists and queer theorists," Wick said. "So it's not just unfounded comments from us arguing that gender is this and that. It is based on theory."

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UNIVERSITY | BOARD OF TRUSTEES

New students receive tuition increase

Board emphasizes fiscal responsibility, new energy center

By KRYSTAL MOYA
Administration Editor

The Board of Trustees approved a \$21 per credit hour increase to tuition for incoming students and all graduate students, as well as an increase in graduate fees for fiscal year 2010 at Monday's meeting in Tarble Arts Center.

The board unanimously approved the \$21 per credit hour increase to incoming freshmen and transfer student tuition after the committee proposed the increase through the approval of Dan Nadler, vice president for student affairs. Tuition will increase from \$218 per credit hour for freshmen entering in fall 2009 to \$239 in fall 2010.

It is the second-highest yearly increase since fall 2005.

Students who already attend Eastern have fixed tuition under the Truth in Tuition Act, which guarantees students the right to pay the tuition that



ERIN MATHENY | THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

President Bill Perry speaks about the tuition increase at Monday's Board of Trustees meeting in Tarble Arts Center.

they entered with throughout their college careers at a single institution.

"The tuition rates have been approved by students in the tuition and fee committees," said President Bill Perry.


He emphasized the importance of having students involved with the process of selecting both tuition and fee increases. He also cited the

increase as necessary to remain a stable budget percentage from student tuition and fees in the ailing economy.

"I would like to remind you that Eastern has a goal in having 12,000 students enrolled, so the increase reflects that mission," Perry said.

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CAMPUS | PHOTO OF THE DAY

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Josh Kumpula, a graduate student, moves a xylophone and a chimes set across a walkway in Doudna Fine Arts Center Monday.

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CAMPUS | EVENT

Artist reveals Andrews' portrait

Andrews taught first journalism class at Eastern in 1929

By JESSICA LEGGIN
Campus Editor

Mark Hudson, director of University Housing and Dining Services, received an e-mail in 2001 that a family member of Franklin Andrews was wondering where his portrait was located in Andrews Hall.

Because of the e-mail, he has been fortunate enough to research the various residence halls' namesakes, including Andrews Hall, Hudson said.

"It got us thinking about the history of our department," he said. "One thing that I have been honored to do is to research our history and try to know the namesakes of our buildings. In the last 12 months, we have had 6 portraits of the namesakes of our residence hall buildings."

Thanks to the e-mail from Cindy Bard, the granddaughter of Franklin Andrews, Andrews Hall sponsored an unveiling ceremony for his portrait Monday night, along with a tea party.

Andrews was hired, by then president Livingston C. Lord, to join the English faculty.

Andrews taught the first journalism class in 1929 and was given the position to advise the *Teacher College News*, the predecessor to *The Daily Eastern News*.

Andrews also advised the first college magazine, *The Warbler* yearbook and sponsored a weekly news hour over the radio station WSZ, the forerunner to WEIU.

During his residence at student media, Andrews won many accolades for the various publications.

As adviser for *The Warbler*, the publication won four All-American awards in the National Scholastic Press Contest, and the newspaper was known as the top paper in Illinois for 13 consecutive years.



ERIN MATHENY | THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

Artist Sandee Ibbotson unveils her portrait of Franklin Andrews during the Andrews Hall tea party Monday afternoon in the Andrews Hall lobby.

nois for 13 consecutive years.

On Aug. 31, 1944, at the age of 44, Andrews died after an appendectomy.

Bard, also an alumna of Eastern and past resident of Andrews Hall, said one of the saddest moments in her life is that she did not get to know her grandfather.

"While I was growing up I just heard what a marvelous, marvelous man he was," she said.

Bard said she was fascinated about the story how her grandfather and his wife decided to travel the world after they had gotten married during the Depression era.

"They got married, and then went around the world, and I just thought this was phenomenal especially at the time that they did it," she said.

Also, in attendance at the unveiling ceremony was Sandee Ibbotson, painter of the Franklin Andrews portrait.

Ibbotson said it took about four months to paint the portrait of Andrews.

"It was on and off because when you do portraits you have to do some research," she said. "I enjoyed reading about him. He was a very interesting man."

Sherry Staley, an Eastern alumna and past Andrews Hall resident, came along with Bard, her long-time friend and roommate in Andrews in 1967.

Staley said this event helps the hall become a little more personal.

"This gives them a chance to see some living history and understand what made this university so wonderful," she said. "The university wouldn't be like it is now without people like Mr. Andrews."

Hillary Rains, Andrews Hall Council president, said every single one of the residence halls on campus are named after important people and should be recognized.

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"The example they set and the role models they were, especially Mr. Andrews, who was an inspiration to a lot of people," she said. "It sets us up to make our own accomplishments."

Bard said while she lived in Andrews, she felt proud to live in a residence hall named after her grandfather.

"It really was a special experience for me," she said. "I was very proud."

Bard said as she has gotten older, she learned more about her grandfather.

"I learned more and more of what he accomplished and contributed to the university," she said. "I am sorry that the rest of the family was not here, but I think in my heart they joined us today."

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CAMPUS BRIEFS

Job search clinic to help upcoming graduates

Career Services will be hosting a Job Search Clinic from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. today and Wednesday in Room 1301 of the Human Services Building.

Students may get assistance with constructing resumes and cover letters and receive tips about interviewing.

Mammography van to be on campus

The mobile mammography van from Sarah Bush Lincoln Health Center will be on campus starting at 9 a.m. Wednesday on Campus Drive between the Alumni Clock Tower quad and Lumpkin Hall.

This service is available to women 35 years and older, who have not had a mammogram in the past year and one day.

Most health insurance plans can be billed. Health Alliance-insured should verify how much out-of-pocket would be charged for using this service.

The screening also includes a free osteoporosis test. Walk-ins are accepted, but appointments are preferred.

Call (800) 639-5929 to make an appointment.

Textbook return deadline approaching

The deadline to return Spring 2009 textbooks is 3 p.m. May 8.

Students are encouraged to return their books before finals week or early in the week.

During returns, do not leave unattended vehicles parked on Fourth Street. Unattended vehicles will be ticketed and/or towed by the Charleston Police Department. If attended, vehicles may be parked on the east side of Fourth Street while returning books.

Textbook Rental is open 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

For more information, visit www.eiu.edu/~textbks/.

—Compiled by Associate News Editor Emily Zulz

BLOTTER

Adam Grossi, 18, of Charleston, was charged with illegal consumption of alcohol by a minor and possession of cannabis after a 2:21 a.m. Saturday arrest near Carman Hall, the University Police Department said.

In the same incident, Matthew Dickman, 19, of Park Forest, was charged with illegal consumption of alcohol by a minor, possession of cannabis and obstructing justice and Joseph Green, 19, of Chicago Heights, was charged with illegal consumption of alcohol by a minor, possession of cannabis and possession of drug paraphernalia, police said.

Laura Speroff, 22, of Manhattan, was charged with driving under the influence of alcohol after a 2:30 a.m. Saturday arrest at 2207 Ninth St., police said.

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CAMPUS | EVENT

Festival celebrates end of school year with art

T-shirt giveaway, recycling opportunity to be part of festival

By HEATHER HOLM
Activities Editor

The first Celebration began 32 years ago in 1977.

The 32nd annual "Celebration: A Festival of the Arts" will take place this weekend, May 1 through 3.

Vaughn Jaenike, dean emeritus of the College of Fine Arts, started the event because he wanted to celebrate the end of the school year, along with art and the return of spring in east-central Illinois.

Dan Crews, director of Celebration, said this year it seemed like winter lasted forever, with all the snow and bad weather.

"It will be nice to get outdoors," Crews said.

Traditionally, the event is held outdoors, weather permitting.

Crews said the festival will reach out more to the student body on Friday since families and retirees will drive up on Saturday and Sunday.

The theme is "think green,"



FILE PHOTO | THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

Jack Cooke of Ralph Stanley's Clinch Mountain Boys performed at last year's Celebration in the Library Quad.

think spring and think recycling."

Crews said about 7,000 to 8,000 people will come to Eastern's campus this weekend.

He said rain or shine, the event will still take place.

"When we run an event in east-central Illinois, rain may happen," Crews said. "We even have a pic-

ture of a guy holding an umbrella on the fliers along with the artists."

Crews said he only had to pull the plug on the event one time in 1989.

He said a little rain would not hurt anyone, and some events might be moved indoors, but for the most part, they would be outside.

Crews said planning for the festival starts a year to six months in advance.

"A month beforehand, we are extremely busy in planning and making sure there is electricity and that we meet all of our artists' needs," Crews said.

Thirty-two art vendors will be present this year.

Artist vendors had to put an application online where they could send photos, slides and so on of their merchandise.

Crews, Natalie Boyer, assistant director for Tarble Arts Center, and Bill Heyduck, former faculty member, then picked the vendors.

"We look for original artwork, variety, creativity and the way the booth is displayed," Boyer said.

Five bands will perform during Pantherstock.

The EIU Jazz Band, Little Boy

Jr., MugWump Specific, the Staff Blues Band and Wrong Way will perform at 11:30 a.m. Friday in the Library Quad.

"We wanted to bring back the feel of Pantherstock and American English, Beatles cover band, last year," said Lauren Phillips, University Board mainstage coordinator.

Wrong Way is a Sublime cover band, named after a Sublime song.

The EIU Jazz Band, Little Boy Jr., MugWump Specific and the Staff Blues Band were winners of the two "Battle of the Bands" competitions.

A T-shirt giveaway will be a part of the event.

"People who give 10 recycled items will get a free T-shirt, and people who have five recycled items will get a free Frisbee," Phillips said.

Food vendors from Missouri, Chicago, Charleston, southern Illinois and all around the Midwest area will come as well.

"We have space for 10 food booths," Crews said. "Corn dogs, curly fries, elephant ears and so on will be the foods provided."

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Illinois politics could
get a second chance

Any system — economic, political or cultural — needs competition. If there is no competition, there is no need to perform and there will be no performance.

But there is more to it than two or more organizations simply competing. They are competing for a public that is ultimately in charge. When we are deciding what movie to go see or what car to buy, our collective decisions tend to be relatively inconsequential and productive to the system as a whole. However, some issues require collective consciousness of what we are doing. These issues are those sorted out in the political arena.

Take Illinois politics. There are a lot of critical issues that need to be dealt with immediately. The state has a \$12 billion deficit. Pensions are underfunded to the tune of \$50 billion. The state's Medicaid system is broken. Even before the national recession, Illinois' economy has been struggling for years. And yet, local governments are raising taxes across the state and an income tax increase may soon pass the General Assembly. However, Illinois politicians have a penchant for spending every dime they get. Can we have an assurance that this tax hike will not simply be the first?

Because of our apathy, voters have chosen wrongly in the past three gubernatorial elections. In 1998, Illinois voters chose an obvious crook, George Ryan, over Glen Poshard, a Democrat who actually may have governed well. Now Ryan is in a federal prison.

In 2002, Illinois chose another obvious crook, Rod Blagojevich. After getting a good start at running the state into the ground, voters failed to hold him accountable and allowed him to finish the job. We are approaching another election. Illinois has a chance to right itself. In 2010, we will be electing a governor, a United States senator and other constitutional offices, as well as scores of legislators.

For governor, we can elect Blagojevich's old running mate Pat Quinn, a self-styled reformer who was unable or unwilling to see his running mate for what he was and who is spending a lot of time trying to push back the primary to June so he can compete against someone like Attorney General Lisa Madigan, heiress to the Madigan political machine.

For senator, we can keep Roland Burris, who essentially admitted to perjury himself before the Blagojevich impeachment committee, denying Blagojevich hit him up for money.

State Treasurer Alexi Giannoulias recently formed an exploratory committee for the Senate. The bank his family owns is connected to Blagojevich and Obama realtor, the imprisoned Tony Rezko. Giannoulias also approved millions in loans to various mob figures.

Congressman Jesse Jackson, Jr. is now under investigation for attempting to buy Obama's Senate seat.

Chicago Mayor Richard Daley continues to have appointees convicted of corruption charges.

These officials would not act this way if they thought they might lose. It is important for all Illinoisans to inform themselves (pick up the free newspapers in the dorms) before voting if we want to have the hope of an Illinois that works.

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Drawn from the News | Alycia Rockey

Swine and the sea
bring fears and flu

STAFF EDITORIAL

Torture is no surprise,
but the public deserves details

One of the most disgusting allegations to come out of George W. Bush's presidency was whether military officers under Bush ordered the torture of prisoners of war at various military prisons.

When confronted by the media regarding the subject, government officials seemed skittish, dodging questions by asking their own questions, or avoiding the subject altogether, leading the public to believe the government had indeed tortured detainees, violating precedents set forth by the Geneva Convention.

For years, we've known about the questionable interrogation techniques such as waterboarding, and for years, it's been one of the many stains on the Bush administration.

But when President Obama released memos used by the Bush administration to justify the use of torture as a means of interrogation, the controversy resurfaced, demanding the attention of the media once again.

Immediately, conservative pundits cried foul, claiming Obama had no right to release the documents as doing so, they said, was a matter of national security and would jeopardize the safety of the American people.

On the other hand, liberals acted like it was the first time they'd ever heard of the misdeeds of the Bush administration, even though the news had been broken years earlier.

Granted, the American people have a right to know how the military treats its detainees.

After all, it's a government of, by and for the people.

But to act indignantly as if this were the first time the news had broken is ridiculous.

The people have known about torture for years, but they

"Both sides need to realize that yes, detainees were tortured. Yes, it was wrong, and yes, the government needs to provide an answer for it."

choose to chastise the former president just over the specifics of how interrogations were carried out.

What about conservatives?

How could telling the people, "We screwed up and we're sorry," possibly endanger the safety of the public?

Both sides need to realize that yes, detainees were tortured. Yes, it was wrong, and yes, the government needs to provide an answer for it.

But this isn't breaking news. This isn't a chance for the people to lament the government's mistakes and cast lots. It's a time to confront the issue and solve it. We accept torture is wrong, and we deserve to know about it, but at the same time, this shouldn't come as a surprise.

If the problem is to be solved, it shouldn't be used to polarize political factions who use it to take cheap shots at each other; rather, it should be confronted up front and eliminated.

EDITORIAL POLICY

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OTHER VIEWS ON THE NEWS

FACEBOOK LINKED TO GPA

KANSAS — Every day we deal with the regular turmoil of student life. Classes, tests, homework, library and meetings — and that's if you don't also have a job or participate in extracurricular activities. Yet despite our busy schedules, most of us find a moment in the day to browse the social networking site that has become a phenomenon in just a few short years. But a new study suggests that Facebook may be causing more harm than we think.

According to *USA Today*, an Ohio State study of 219 students exposed

Facebook's effects on academic performance. Students who did not have Facebook accounts reported having GPAs between 3.5 and 4.0, while those with accounts said their GPAs were usually between 3.0 and 3.5. Study habits among those without Facebook were also significantly better, a reported 11 or more hours per week, compared with those with Facebook, who studied five or fewer hours. So what exactly does all this mean? Is Facebook dooming students? Well, not exactly. The study didn't find conclusive evidence that Facebook is the cause for lower GPAs. Rather, it simply suggests that there is some correla-

tion between the two. Aryn Karpinski, the Ohio State doctoral graduate student behind the study, suggested Facebook be used in ways that are more educational, such as to create study groups.

I'm not arguing that Facebook is more academically beneficial than detrimental, but I definitely think the ability to contact acquaintances and friends easily is great. Of all the other issues wreaking havoc on our age group, such as drugs or violence, I think Facebook is the least of our worries.

Richelle Buser
University Daily Kansan

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» Memorial

FROM PAGE 1

"In their passing, they really became our teachers," he said.

They taught us to cherish life because it is a fragile gift, he said.

"I hope we take that lesson back into our personal lives," Elliot said.

As dean of the Graduate School, Robert Augustine serves the international community, and through that, he gets to meet and learn from the international students, such as Anumolu, Veerapaneni and Muppavarapu.

"They brought us their life, their light, their laughter," he said.

He said the three students lived the motto "capture the day."

"Today, we acknowledge what they lived and stood for — that every day is worth celebrating," Augustine said.

All three were graduate students in the technology program,

which was hit especially hard by their deaths.

Peter Ping Liu, graduate coordinator for the technology program, recounted the story of the three's acceptance into Eastern.

Anumolu, Veerapaneni and Muppavarapu were attending Oklahoma City University but wanted to transfer to Eastern together.

Veerapaneni's application was the first to be accepted since her application was sent in the earliest.

Anumolu's followed later and resulted in the same conclusion.

Liu said he received a call from Muppavarapu then with Anumolu and Veerapaneni also on the line.

Muppavarapu knew the other two girls had been admitted.

"I would like to come as well," she said. "Please do not leave me alone here."

Liu said this call made him think of his daughter, who had recently moved into her own place.

"I feel lucky that my daughter was only four hours away," he said.

Liu admired the courage of the three girls, to go to college so far away from home.

After the call, Liu said he could not sleep that night.

The next day, Muppavarapu's application entered Eastern's system.

After the three students arrived on campus, Liu said his first impression was of their "sweet smiles."

"Those three smiles will remain in our memories for years to come," he said.

Next to share her memories was Anupama Makineni, Anumolu's roommate and neighbor to the other two.

Holding back tears, Makineni addressed the audience.

"I have had to (muster) a lot of courage to talk about this terrible loss," she said.

She recounted the many times she spent with the three, cook-

ing together, sharing thoughts and going out on the weekends.

"Even we used to buy similar clothing," she said.

Makineni said she came out of her homesickness being around them.

"On March 21, my friendship with them came to an abrupt end because of this tragic incident," she said.

Makineni then read a letter she received from Muppavarapu's father on behalf of the family.

"Though we are very far from you ... I am feeling as if I am with you," he wrote.

In his e-mail, he requested people to make this a better place to live.

Addressing the police officer responsible for the crash, he said let this be a reminder to all to not let frustration, carelessness and addictions result in a terrible loss like that of his daughter.

He said to instead, find a purpose and to spread the mission of his daughter and her friends' own

lives — to spread the power of positive thinking.

Sailendra Veerapaneni, the uncle of Veerapaneni, spoke of his niece. She fulfilled the wish of his wife of having a daughter even though that dream was short lived, he said.

"She dwells in our hearts forever," he said.

He said his younger son asked the other day, "I have seen so many people come back to life in movies," and asked his father if his cousin could do the same.

All Sailendra Veerapaneni could tell his son was "no."

The ceremony came to a close with a moment of silence that was held for the students before ending with a traditional Hindu grieving ritual.

The three petals were placed one-by-one by each audience member into a gold case by each student's photograph.

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» Gender

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Wick said when members of the campus community come together, he wants them to look at some of the photos of the transgendered and transsexual people.

"The main point is to show that these are normal people," he said.

"These photos are not going to be seen as crazy or weird, but these will be people who you would think is 'normal' if you saw them in everyday life."

Wick said the event will also include a mock graveyard informing students about hate crimes against the LGBT community.

"Also we will have a mock Preposition Aid voting booth," he said. "Preposition Aid is the whole gay

marriage debate, and we have information about Preposition Aid, and we want to give them (campus community) an opportunity to participate in something."

Wick said his rhetoric class has worked on this project for a couple of months.

"It is for a good cause," he said. "It is educational. It is just not something we are just doing on a whim."

Wick said this program is important for students to understand society's views on gender and sexuality.

"Mainly because the society we live in, the norm is seen as having a heterosexual lifestyle and if you are not that, then you are not normal," he said. "You are different, you are strange or freakish. That's why we don't want this to be a freak show."

Wick said this program has diversity benefits for all students regardless of their sexuality.

"Diversity benefits more than who it affects directly," he said. "If you keep surrounding yourself with people who are just like you, then you are not going to grow as a person."

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» Trustees

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The increase to graduate student tuition is \$21 per credit hour as well as all students pay the increase. Graduate students are not included in the Truth in Tuition Act. The increase is exactly the same as incoming freshmen and transfers.

Non-Illinois residents will pay an additional \$63 for both new undergraduate students and graduate school students.

Nadler emphasized "affordability," and that there was only one additional fee increase added for fall 2010.

Other fee increases were previously approved to increase over five years in past fiscal years and are

continuing. The graduate fee will increase 50 cents per year for the next two years. This increase is only applied to graduate students.

In addition, Perry updated the board on fiscal planning that the university is doing in order to "conservatively plan for the future economy."

He said the university is continuing to only fill vacant university positions if they are mission critical, reducing and deferring university expenditures and conducting a long-term pricing and fiscal strategy.

In other items, the board approved two new purchases of a natural gas-fired steam boiler and scoreboard for O'Brien Stadium.

The boiler has been bought for \$998,800, with \$99,900 in contingency, from CB Nebraska Boiler in Lincoln, Neb. The boiler will replace

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- 2009-2010: \$21 increase

the existing 1969 boiler in the more than 80-year-old steam plant. It will be removed and installed in the Renewable Energy Center after construction.

Board member Julie Nimmons and board chair Roger Kratochvil both stressed the importance of the passing of Senate Bill 2009, which prompted the purchase approval after it passed the Illinois Senate unanimously.

"Everybody should pray for its passage in the House," Kratochvil

said.

The scoreboard will be purchased for a total of \$590,791 with contingency. It includes LED video display technology that Jill Nilsen, vice president for external relations, said was in line with competitors and will help draw in new crowds.

The board also approved the naming of two university properties.

The Green Room in Doudna Fine Arts Center was named after Glendon Gabbard and Lucinda P. Gabbard, two former theatre arts faculty members who ventured out and became career actors.

Room 1827 in Coleman Hall was named the Tony Romo Collaborative Classroom, after Romo provided a contribution to the communication studies department. Romo is an Eastern alum and starting quarterback for the Dallas Cowboys

NFL football team.

Two personnel contracts were also approved. A three-year contract for William Weber as the vice president for business affairs, effective July 1, 2009, to June 30, 2012, was accepted, as well as a three-year contract from March 16, 2009, to December 31, 2012 for the women's head soccer coach, Summer Perala.

Finally, the board elected its board positions for the next year's session and its 2010 meeting dates.

Bill O'Rourke was elected board chairperson and board secretary Robert Webb was re-elected board secretary.

Leo Welch and Kratochvil were elected vice chair and member program, respectively.

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UNIVERSITY | MEETING

Buzz of discussion on cell phones

Senate, UPI to help celebrate for 10 staff, faculty members

By **KRYSTAL MOYA**
Administration Editor

The Faculty Senate will motion to accept the Statement of Principle for the Cell Phone Use in Classrooms proposal from Blair Lord, provost and vice president for academic affairs, at its meeting at 2 p.m. today in Booth Library, Room 4440.

Lord has outlined the following principle for faculty to follow in his memo to Faculty Senate Chair John Pommier: "Each faculty member has the authority and responsibility to establish the conditions for student cell phone use in his/her classroom, and these shall be specified in the course syllabus. Such conditions are at the discretion of the faculty member, but shall provide that a university-initiated campus security text message can be received and

disseminated to the classroom in a timely manner."

Faculty members can administer their own policies on a class-by-class, personal basis.

This includes requiring cell phones to be turned on silent, vibrate or limit the number of cell phones allowed to be turned on.

However, should a faculty member have a policy, the principle states it must be outlined in the class syllabus.

Lord reached the aforementioned principle after a proposal to adopt a cell phone policy incorporated into the Student Conduct Code.

This idea was soon derailed when issues of receiving emergency text messages from the university could not be addressed by a campuswide policy.

Pommier said the senate will most likely motion to accept this principle after a "lengthy discussion" of an overall faculty policy to act as a guide for the professor's individual policy.

Also, at 3 p.m., the senate and co-host University Professionals of Illinois will move to the east side of the

"These individuals provide an energy and a spirit that assists the university in administering quality education."

— **John Pommier, Faculty Senate chair**

University Ballroom in the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union to celebrate the retirements of 10 staff and faculty members.

Susan Kaufman, professor of journalism; Carol Stevens, professor of English; Teresa Bennett, assistant professor of early childhood, elementary, and middle level education; Charles Costa, associate professor of biological sciences; Allan Horney, professor of music; Terry Perkins, professor of communication studies; Norman Greer, associate professor of communication studies; Jerry Eisenhour, professor of theatre arts; Susan Hankenson, certification officer for the graduate school; and Mori Toosi, professor of technology,

will be honored after the meeting.

"These people are hallmarks of the institution and there should be some celebration in the coming of their retirements," Pommier said.

Food and drinks as well as a presentation of the retirees will be conducted until 4:30 p.m. Everyone is encouraged to attend.

"These individuals provide an energy and a spirit that assists the university in administering quality education," Pommier said. "These individuals are and will always be important to the university and deserve our accolades."

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STATE BRIEFS

The Associated Press

O'Hare travelers wear masks amid swine fears

CHICAGO — Authorities are taking some extraordinary precautions to screen passengers arriving in Chicago on flights from Mexico for swine flu.

U.S. Customs and Border Protection Brett Sturgeon says international passengers are being given an information sheet about the illness.

But Chicago Aviation Department spokeswoman Karen Pride says no special procedures are in place at O'Hare Airport where two dozen flights arrive from Mexico daily.

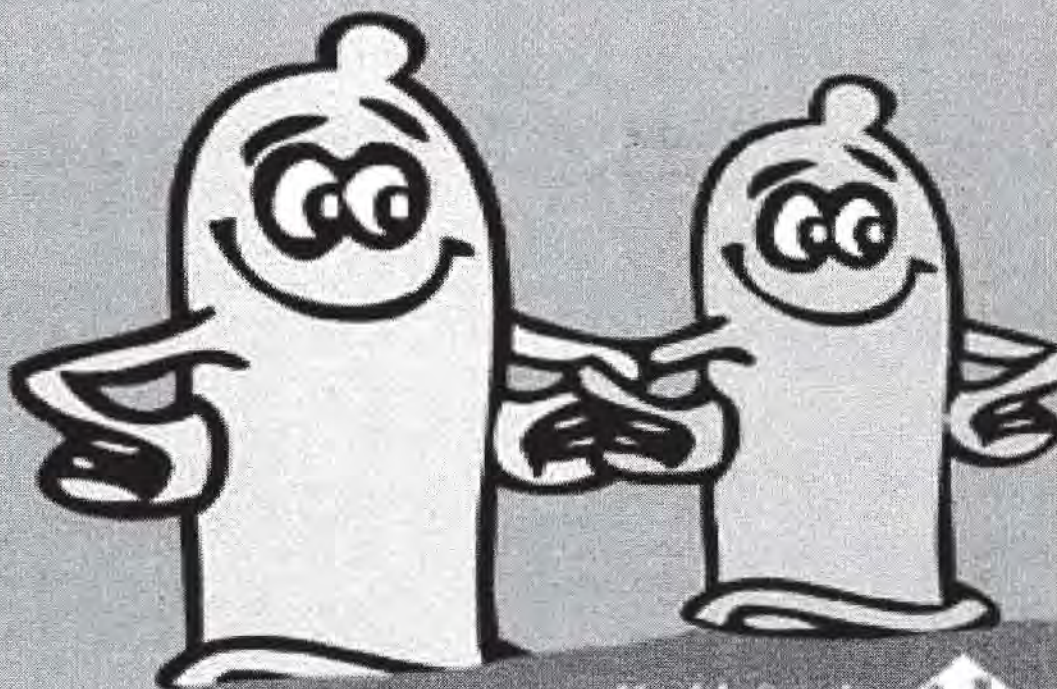
A Centers for Disease Control statement says its quarantine staff are operating normally. That includes meeting planes when a sick passenger is reported on board.

Passengers themselves appear anxious.

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NATION | FAA

Jet flyover Manhattan sets off panic

Dept. of Defense flies two planes dangerously low for photo opportunity

The Associated Press

NEW YORK — An airliner and supersonic fighter jet zoomed past the lower Manhattan skyline in a flash just as the work day was beginning Monday.

Within minutes, startled financial workers streamed out of their offices, fearing a nightmarish replay of Sept. 11.

For a half-hour, the Boeing 747 and F-16 jet circled the Statue of Liberty and the lower Manhattan skyline near the World Trade Center site. Offices evacuated.

Dispatchers were inundated with calls. Witnesses thought the planes were flying dangerously low.

But the flyover was nothing but a photo op, apparently one of a series of flights to get pictures of the plane in front of national landmarks.

It was carried out by the Defense Department with little warning,

infuriating New York officials and putting the White House on the defense.

Even Mayor Michael Bloomberg didn't know about it, and he later called it "insensitive" to fly so near the site of the Sept. 11, 2001, attacks.

The director of the White House military office, Louis Caldera, took the blame a few hours later.

One of the planes was a 747 that is called Air Force One when used by the president.

"Last week, I approved a mission over New York. I take responsibility for that decision," Caldera said. "While federal authorities took the proper steps to notify state and local authorities in New York and New Jersey, it's clear that the mission created confusion and disruption. I apologize and take responsibility for any distress that flight caused."

Still, federal officials provided few details and wouldn't say why the public and area building security managers weren't notified.

They also wouldn't address why someone thought it was a wise decision to send two jets into New York

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—Louis Caldera, director of the White House military office

City, all for a few photos with the Statue of Liberty as a backdrop.

This official said the White House military office told the Federal Aviation Administration that it periodically updates file photos of Air Force One near national landmarks, such as the statute in the New York harbor and the Grand Canyon.

The official requested anonymity to give more details than the official White House announcement.

The photo op was combined with a training exercise to save money, according to another administration official who also spoke on condition of anonymity because she was not authorized to speak publicly about the behind-the-scenes discussions about the flight.

The FAA notified the New

York Police Department of the flyover, telling them photos of the Air Force One jet would be taken about 1,500 feet above the Statue of Liberty around 10 a.m. Monday. It had a classified footnote that said "information in this document shall not be released to the public or the media."

NYPD spokesman Paul Browne said typically a flight like this would be publicized to avoid causing a panic, but they were under orders not to in this case. They regularly get requests for flyovers, but without secrecy restrictions.

The Bloomberg official who was notified was Marc Mugnos, director of operations for the Office of Citywide Event Coordination and Management.

NATION | DISEASE

Gov't urges people not to wear protective health masks

The Associated Press

ATLANTA — A leading U.S. health official says authorities are not currently recommending that people across the country put on masks in the workplace to protect against swine flu infection.

Dr. Richard Besser was asked at a news conference Monday afternoon if that is a precaution that people should be taking in the wake of indications the disease has spread substantially in Mexico and is showing up in five U.S. states.

Besser, acting director of the Centers for Disease Control, said the evidence "is not that strong" that the wearing of protective masks effectively limits the outbreak of such diseases.

Besser said that for now he'd prefer to focus on regular hand-washing, and people "not giving that little kiss of greeting that they're used to right now."

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WORLD NEWS | SOCCER

Swine flu causes soccer cancellation

The Associated Press

NEW YORK — Concerns about swine flu prompted CONCACAF to cancel the rest of its under-17 soccer championship in Mexico, the epicenter of the outbreak.

Costa Rica, Honduras, Mexico and the United States had clinched spots in the semifinals of the tournament, being played in Tijuana. But after the Mexican government announced it was closing schools nationwide, CONCACAF said Monday it would abandon the tournament "to safeguard the health of players, officials and fans."

Health officials say 20 deaths in Mexico are confirmed to be from swine flu, which is also suspected of causing more than 100 other deaths there.

The U.S. team, which had won all three of its group matches, was headed back to Bradenton, Fla., where the players and coaches are based.

"Our primary concern is the safety of our athletes and all of the athletes that were involved in the tournament," said Neil Buethe, spokesman for US Soccer. "If CONCACAF feels this is the best decision to ensure

the safety of all the athletes, we support that."

The semifinals of the U-17 tournament were scheduled for Wednesday in Tijuana, with the championship and third-place matches on Saturday. All four teams will advance to the U-17 World Cup, which is Oct. 24-Nov. 15 in Nigeria.

CONCACAF, soccer's governing body for the North and Central American and Caribbean regions, also postponed the second leg of its Champions League finals until May 12. Cruz Azul and Atlante FC, both Mexican teams, were to play Wednesday in Cancun for the title of CONCACAF's best club team.

Atlante leads the two-game series 2-0 after winning in Mexico City last week.

CONCACAF will decide Tuesday whether to proceed with its beach championship, scheduled for Wednesday through Sunday in Puerto Vallarta.

Mexico City has been hit hardest by the swine flu epidemic, and many sports have already taken measures to help stem the outbreak. Three football games were played behind closed doors last weekend.

17 appearances this season, including one start.

The Panthers will play their second consecutive neutral-site game Wednesday, as they will take on Southern Illinois-Carbondale at 6:30 p.m.

The game will be played at Grimes Field in Mattoon.

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"I think it's very hard for anyone to imagine how well he's able to do both roles," Schmirz said.

"It's not as easy as you think."

Freshman right-hander Ryan Clubb will oppose Morrell for the Tigers.

Clubb is 2-2 with a 4.37 ERA in

NBA | CHICAGO BULLS

Bull Gordon listed as day-to-day

The Associated Press

CHICAGO — Chicago Bulls star Ben Gordon is listed as day-to-day after an MRI confirmed he has a strained left hamstring.

Gordon was hurt in the second quarter Sunday, then sent Game 4 into a second overtime with a

3-pointer with 4.5 seconds left.

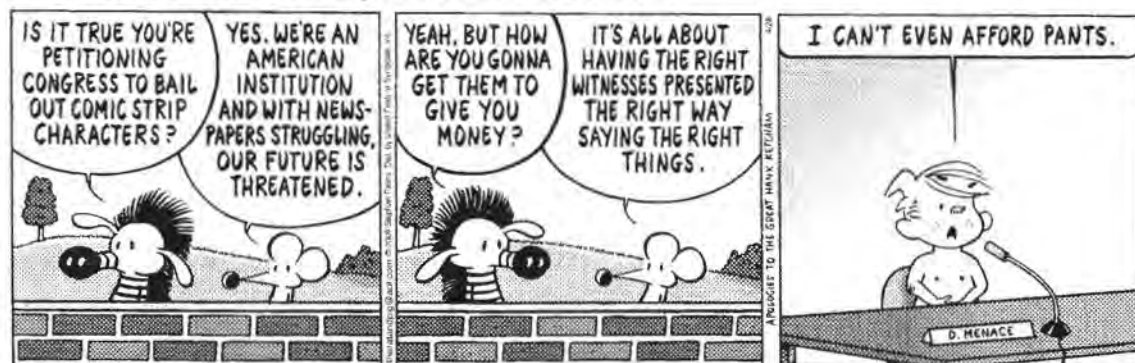
The Bulls beat the Celtics 121-118, tying the series 2-2 with Game 5 in Boston on Tuesday night.

The shooting guard was injured on a drive to the basket and an MRI Monday morning confirmed the initial diagnosis.

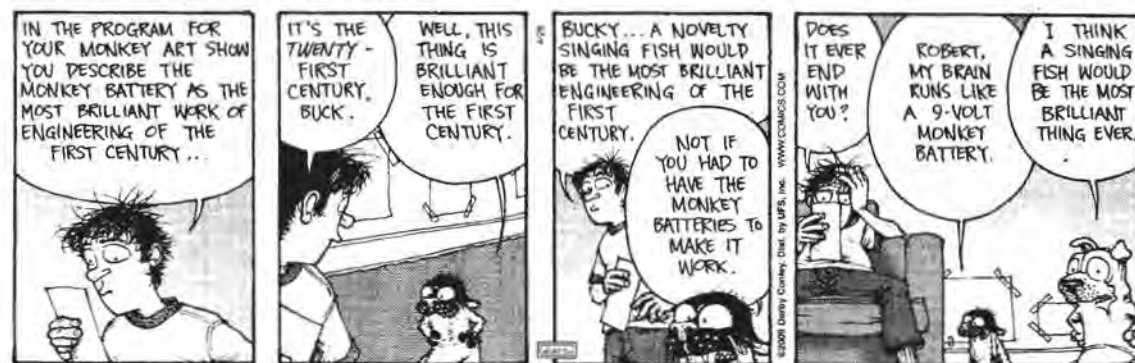
Later in the game, he was knocked to the floor on a hard foul by Glen Davis with 9.8 seconds left in the first overtime.

Gordon is the leading scorer in the series with 24.8 points per game and scored 42 in Chicago's 118-115 loss in Game 2 of the series.

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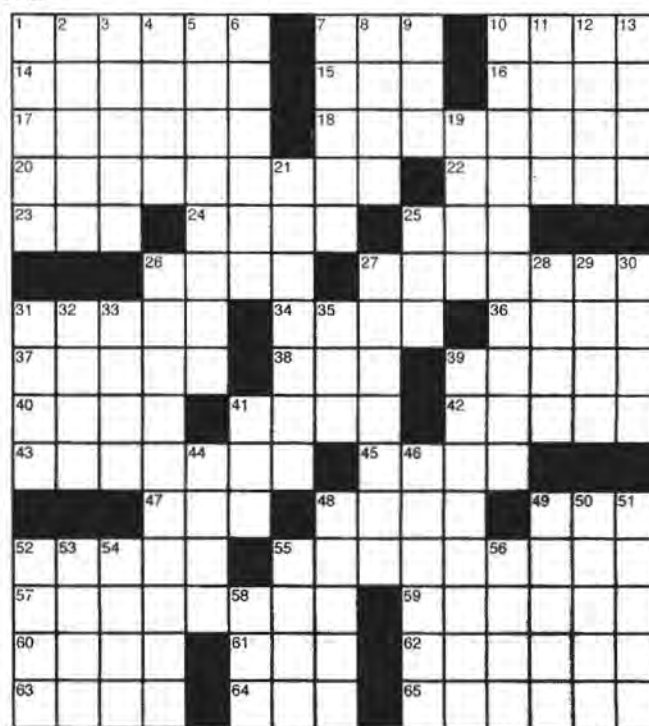
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 - 7 China's Chou En-
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 - 15 Press worker's stain
 - 16 Brighton bye-bye
 - 17 Augments
 - 18 Wine servers
 - 20 Adolescent boy's growth
 - 22 Recurring Woody Allen theme
 - 23 Have a go at
 - 24 What oil helps dissolve
 - 25 "I Pity the Fool" star
 - 26 Brother of Little Joe on '60s TV
 - 27 "Jingle Bells" starter
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 - 10 Musial's nickname
 - 11 Helgenberger of "CSI"
 - 12 LAX postings
 - 13 American League division
 - 19 Some are declared
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 - 25 Scratch
 - 26 Dehydration may help bring this on
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 - 28 "This outrage!"
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SPRING FOOTBALL | WHITE 6, BLUE 3

Defenses lead to low-scoring game

Only points of game scored by kicker; transfer running back Mon Williams stars

By **DAN CUSACK**
Staff Reporter

Eastern kicker Austin Signor did a little bit of everything for the Eastern football team in the annual spring game.

Signor scored the game's only points (three field goals), in addition to the only touchdown (an 18-yard run on a botched snap that was called back because kickers were not allowed to be rushed or tackled) in the White team's 6-3 victory against the Blue team Saturday at O'Brien Stadium.

Both teams battled a steady wind in the four-quarter scrimmage, but no one had a harder task than Signor.

He hit the game-winning 42-yard field goal with 2 minutes, 23 seconds left from the left hash into a strong wind to give the White team the 6-3 victory.

"The wind was real strong today, so I was just trying to go out there and treat it like any other kick," Signor said.

Signor finished 3-of-4 from field goals.

Defenses were the dominant unit for both sides. The Blue defense did not allow a first down in the entire first half.

The Blue defense allowed 185 yards on the day, while the White team allowed 187.

"We wanted to come out today and work really hard," said defensive tackle Andre Lima. "We came out here and wanted to have some fun, but I think both defenses played well."

Lima, a member of the White team, said they came out flat in the first half, but started making plays.

The teams combined for 13.5 tackles for a loss and one sack.

One of the biggest plays came late in the third quarter. The Blue team, on its first drive of the third quarter, saw White senior corner Shelton Penrow jump a slant route and intercept the ball at the 15-yard line, ending a potential scoring opportunity.

In the second half, it was a coming out party for Florida transfer Mon Williams. Williams, who finished the day with 86 yards, carried the White offense. Williams busted off a 41-yard scamper down the right sideline late in the fourth quarter to set up the game-winning field goal.

"I just followed my blockers," Williams said. "When I got to the second level, it was just up to me to make plays, really. The linemen blocked good, and we just all did good on that play."

Williams said at halftime, after the White team had failed to get a first down, the team talked about coming together and playing as one unit.

"It was not just the linemen, it



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Eastern red-shirt junior running back Mon Williams evades tacklers during Saturday's annual Blue-and-White spring football game in O'Brien Stadium. The White team came out victorious by a score of 6-3.

was all of our fault," Williams said. "We all just came together and cleaned up our mistakes."

Eastern head coach Bob Spoo was happy with the team's effort and said the team has played well all spring.

"It was very competitive. They showed it today," Spoo said. "I like what we are doing on defense. The final score, 6-3, this means there are a lot of defensive plays being made."

Spoo said the team made great strides defensively during the spring.

"I think we are going to be a better defensive team than we were last fall, and that is going to be a big plus," he said.

Eastern was without first-string quarterback Bodie Reeder, who was captain of a team as he sat out with a sore hamstring.

Freshman Doug Reynolds was the quarterback for the White

team and finished 11-for-25 for 108 yards, while sophomore Luke Hockaday led the Blue team going 9-for-15 for 78 yards.

"I was pleased with how our (quarterbacks) played today," Spoo said. "They went out there, responded and made some plays. They did a nice job."

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PANTHER BRIEFS

Kehrer gives Panthers seventh league award of season

Eastern junior south paw Tyler Kehrer earned Ohio Valley Conference Pitcher of the Week honors this week.

This was Kehrer's first honor of his career but Eastern's seventh OVC honor this season.

Kehrer pitched a one-hitter, along with 14 strikeouts against Southern Illinois-Edwardsville Sunday. It was

the first one-hitter by a pitcher since February 2006.

Kehrer (4-3) sports a 4.36 ERA this season and has 68 strikeouts in 56 innings.

Track has impressive showings over weekend

Red-shirt freshman Zye Boey helped the Panthers to a strong show-

ing at the Drake Relays Friday and Saturday in Des Moines, Iowa.

Boey finished second in the 100-meter dash in 10.38 seconds for Eastern's men's track team. He also helped the sprint medley relay team finish third in 3 minutes, 22.8 seconds.

Boey helped the 400-meter relay team qualify for the finals.

The 40.69-second mark was the

fourth fastest in Eastern history. The time just missed the NCAA Regional standard by 0.03 seconds as the Panthers preliminary time was the fifth fastest on Friday. The relay team consisted of junior Brandon Jelks, freshman DeMarcus Brooks, Boey and senior Brenton Pegues.

The Eastern women's track team finished sixth in the 400-meter relay.

Four upperclassmen – junior Violet Nwordu, junior Chandra Golden, senior Tarra Grant and senior Shawana Smith won the event in 46.48 seconds, the second-fastest time in school history.

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Eastern senior center fielder Ryan Lindquist (right in left photo) and freshman right fielder Zach Borenstein (right) have picked up the slack when senior center fielder Brett Nommensen was injured April 10 against Tennessee Martin. Lindquist took Nommensen’s position in center field, while Borenstein is now hitting leadoff.

STAR’S REPLACEMENTS TAKE ON TOUGH TASK

Borenstein, Lindquist use different skills to pick up slack after Nommensen’s injury

By **COLLIN WHITCHURCH**
Assistant Sports Editor

“There really is no replacing Brett Nommensen.” Zach Borenstein and Ryan Lindquist both expressed those sentiments about the Eastern baseball team’s star center fielder, who was injured April 10 and has been out of the lineup since. The irony of that statement is both Borenstein and Lindquist’s roles are to do just that, replace

Nommensen. Lindquist, a senior from Hinsdale, took over the job in center field after Nommensen’s injury. He is familiar with the role, however, as he served as a regular starting outfielder for the Panthers last season. Lindquist provides amazing range for the Panthers in center field, tracking down balls and making diving or leaping catches on several occasions. Eastern head coach Jim Schmitz said that is what they expect out of Lindquist, and the hitting he has provided has been a boost. “His work offensively has been a plus,” Schmitz said. “His ability to drive the ball the other way has been great. We tweaked his swing

a little bit, and he’s been gelling.” While Lindquist became a regular starter this season after Nommensen’s injury, Borenstein has been the Panthers’ starting right fielder almost all season. The position he has had to take over in Nommensen’s place, however, has been at the top of the order. The left-handed hitting freshman from Buffalo Grove started the season hitting near the bottom of the order in either the six or seven spot. But with Nommensen, the team’s usual leadoff hitter, out, Borenstein has stepped in and excelled. He hit .325 during the Panthers’ recent 10-game home stand and led the team with 15

runs scored. Schmitz said while Borenstein was always known for his power hitting ability coming out of high school, he has been most impressed with his ability to get on base. “(Borenstein) came to us as a slugging shortstop out of high school,” Schmitz said. “I don’t think he got too many walks in high school. He’s made the adjustment by getting on base and scoring runs.” Borenstein – who walked a team-high eight times during the home stretch – said he does not feel any pressure batting leadoff because the lineup behind him is so strong. “I’ve got eight other guys

behind me that are going to get on base and get the job done if I get out,” he said. “I don’t change anything. I’ve just been trying to stay focused on what’s been successful for me and it’s been working.” For Lindquist, the task has been working on his hitting. He hit .264 last year in 55 games and has jumped up to .366 this year in 37 games, including 29 starts. “I worked a couple weeks ago with (Schmitz and assistant coach Sean Lyons) and tweaked my swing a little bit,” Lindquist said. “I’ve just been focusing on going out there and doing my job and trying to help us win.” Collin Whitchurch can be reached at 581-7944 or cwhitchurch@eiu.edu.



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Eastern senior Carrie Riordan follows through on her swing at last weekend’s Ohio Valley Conference Tournament in London, Ky.

WOMEN’S GOLF | SEASON RECAP

Riordan leads golf highlights

Senior wins first ever individual title at OVC’s

By **DAN CUSACK**
Staff Reporter

Senior golfer Carrie Riordan finished her season with a bang, becoming the first women’s golfer in the Ohio Valley Conference era to win an individual conference championship in Eastern history. Riordan shot a 14-over-par 230, with a 77 the final day of the three-round tournament to win the title. Riordan, like the rest of the women’s golf team, got better as the spring season went on. The Panthers began the season March 15 with the Samford Invitational finishing 11th place out of 15 teams. Senior Michelle Anderson finished in a tie for 21st place shooting a team low of 13-over-par 157. That would be the last time the Panthers would finish out of the top 10 in any event. They followed the Saluki Invitational with an eighth place finish of 15 teams at the Bradley Classic, and a seventh-place finish in the Bradley

Classic out of 14 teams. The lone win of the spring season was a first place finish at the Loyola (Chicago) Invitational April 11-13. Eastern defeated six other teams, with four players finishing in the top 10 including Riordan, junior Katie Imburgia, Anderson and junior Jaymie Voorhees. In the OVC Championship, Eastern finished in fifth place of eight teams, one shot behind Morehead State and Tennessee Tech who tied for third place. Imburgia said though the scores do not show it, the team was playing well. She said the team improved throughout the year and nerves might have been a factor. “When we found out about the scores, we were all kind of disappointed and thought about a stroke we could have taken off here of there,” Imburgia said. “But every person in the tournament could have said the same thing, even (Riordan), and she won. So it’s not what we would have hoped, but our scores are our scores.” Anderson said it was tough this spring because they did not get good weather until the conference championship, but she thinks the team did a

good job this spring. “It’s disappointing we did not finish higher in the conference tournament, but I think we all played well,” Anderson said. “We look back and the four upperclassmen all did a good job in a tournament and played well throughout the year. It was unfortunate we could not all get it together except in the Loyola Tournament.” Riordan had her first brush with the top 10 in the tournament leading up to the OVC Championship, with a third place finish at Loyola, three strokes behind the winner, Indiana-Purdue Indianapolis senior Lauren Kuss. “My goal from the beginning of the year was to win the conference tournament,” Riordan said. “It feels great to reach what I accomplished.” Imburgia said it will be difficult to replace Riordan and Anderson next season, but she is confident they will be alright next season with returning players and the ones coming in. “I have high hopes for next year,” Imburgia said. “We should be pretty solid.” Dan Cusack can be reached at 581-7944 or at dscusack@eiu.edu.



KEVIN MURPHY

Baseball alums coach in majors

Kevin Seitzer has returned to the place he once played.

Seitzer, the Kansas City Royals hitting coach, played for the Royals from 1987-1992.

The former Eastern baseball player is trying to help the Royals climb out of the cellar of the American League Central Division and post their first winning season since 2003.

The Royals (9-9) finished fourth in the division, which was their highest finish since 2003.

Seitzer wants to challenge the Royals this season.

“It’s a good situation,” he said.

Seitzer said his main focus was on helping the team increase its on-base percentage.

He said the Royals worked hard in spring training, and he’s trying to establish a foundation so they can become a better team.

But for Seitzer, who was an All-Star for the Royals in 1987, it’s a humbling experience.

“Any time you get to work at this level, it’s very rewarding,” he said. “It’s very rewarding to win.”

The goals are the same at any level, Seitzer said.

That includes making the playoffs, advancing into the post-season and winning the World Series.

The Red Sox (12-6) will look to Tim Bogar, another former Eastern baseball player, this season.

Last season, Bogar helped the Tampa Bay Rays reach the World Series as the team’s third base coach.

The Red Sox are coming off a sweep of the Yankees.

While there are no major league players in MLB, there are coaches.

And these coaches have chances to help take these teams to the postseason.

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BASEBALL | EASTERN VS. MISSOURI

Mizzou could help resumé

Win over Big XII foe could help NCAA bid

By COLLIN WHITCHURCH
Assistant Sports Editor

The Eastern baseball team is growing accustomed to competing with big programs.

The Panthers (32-9) have beaten four teams currently in the top three of a major conference. They beat Illinois Urbana-Champaign, currently tied for first in the Big Ten, Indiana, currently tied for third in the same conference, and Oklahoma, which is in second in the Big XII and has been ranked as high as No. 10 in the nation this season. They also beat South Florida, which leads the Big East with a 15-3 conference record.

All of these wins boost the Panthers’ NCAA resumé, which is important in the event that they fail to secure the Ohio Valley Conference’s automatic bid, which goes to the winner of the OVC Tournament.

“It’s amazing how fortunate we are,” Eastern head coach Jim Schmitz said. “We play good teams, happen to beat them, and the domino effect of them winning helps us out.”

The Panthers get another chance for a “resumé-builder” when they take on the Big XII’s Missouri at 6:30 p.m. today in O’Fallon, Mo. The Tigers (24-21) are 11-10 in the Big XII on the season and sit in sixth place in their conference.

Freshman right fielder Zach Borenstein said the team, admittedly, gets more excited for games like these, but their big game experience makes them confident going in.

“We know it’s a big game for us,” said Borenstein, who hit .375 during the Panthers’ three-game sweep of Southern Illinois-Edwardsville last weekend. “I think with the team we have, we’ve already played schools with big names so we don’t psyche ourselves out.”

Senior Brian Morrell will take the



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Senior shortstop Jordan Kreke runs home during the Eastern baseball team’s game against Southern Illinois-Edwardsville Saturday at Coaches Stadium. The Panthers play Missouri at 6:30 p.m. today in O’Fallon, Mo.

mound for the Panthers, and Morrell is no stranger to games against big programs. The 6-foot-7 right-hander started Eastern’s 5-1 victory against the Fighting Illini April 14 in Champaign and allowed only

one run on two hits in five innings of work, earning a no-decision.

He is 3-1 with a 4.46 ERA this season in 19 appearances, including four starts.

Schmitz said having a pitcher like

Morrell, who is a reliable midweek starter and also the team’s first arm out of the bullpen during the weekend, is valuable.

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MEN’S GOLF | OVC TOURNAMENT UPDATE

Rough first day at OVC Tournament

Panthers sit in ninth after day one in Muscle Shoals, Ala.

By NEIL SCHNEIDER
Staff Reporter

The Eastern men’s golf team is in ninth place with a score of 33-over-par after the first round of play at the Ohio Valley Conference Tournament in Muscle Shoals, Ala.

The event is being held at the par-72 Fighting Joe Course, and the Eastern men teed off at 8 a.m. Monday.

The Panthers sit seven strokes behind the eighth place team, Morehead State, which finished 26-over-par. Seventh place Tennessee State finished 25-over-par.

Sophomore Francisco Cherizo-

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la leads the way for the Panthers by shooting three-over-par, putting him in 11th place overall. Freshman Gino Parrodi is close behind with a seven-over-par performance.

Parrodi came into the OVC Tournament averaging a score of 74.9 through 23 rounds and 1,723 strokes, which was good enough

for second on the team.

Parrodi is just behind senior Matt Bird, who is averaging 74.3 on the year.

Cherizola is five strokes behind the leader, Hunter Hawkins of Jacksonville State, who shot a one-under 71 in the first round.

He began the front nine with birdies on holes one and nine, but bogeyed four holes on the back nine.

Cherizola said the wind really began to pick up speed at the conclusion of the ninth hole.

He said he was pleased with the way he drove the ball but would like to improve his putting in day two.

“The greens were really fast and difficult, but I think I did well making them,” he said. “I struggled with putting, which is something I will focus more on heading

into (Tuesday’s) round.”

Senior Matt Davis said the wind was a problem as well, but said the team’s problems were with putting.

“I felt I hit the ball well, but the putts were really tricky and I missed a lot of close ones,” Davis said.

Eastern head coach Mike Moncel said the priority for day two of the tournament will be to improve the squad’s handling of the greens on the course.

“As a group, we struggled with the greens, especially with the factor of speed that these greens had,” he said.

The Panthers begin second round action today and the tournament will conclude Wednesday.

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EASTERN SPORTS SCHEDULE

MEN’S GOLF Tuesday at OVC Tournament All Day – Muscle Shoals, Ala.	BASEBALL Tuesday vs. Missouri 6:30 p.m. – O’Fallon, Mo.	MEN’S GOLF Wednesday at OVC Tournament All Day – Muscle Shoals, Ala.	SOFTBALL Wednesday at SE Missouri 5 p.m. – Cape Girardeau, Mo.	BASEBALL Wednesday vs. SIU-Carbondale 6:30 p.m. – Mattoon
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