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Sports **Conference opener**

Tennis teams get into full OVC action today as they host Eastern Kentucky.
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Success by Stedman



Mandy Marshall / Staff photographer

Stedman Graham spoke Thursday night in the Grand Ballroom of the Martin Luther King Jr., University Union. Graham's motivational speech outlined his nine steps to success.

Overcoming fears and gaining success, Stedman Graham speaks to Eastern

By **Geneva White**
Staff writer

The possibilities of what one can accomplish are endless if one believes in his or her self, Stedman Graham, author of the best seller "You Can Make It Happen," told a full Grand Ballroom audience Thursday

"The world is a collection of unlimited wealth and resources," Graham, who is the CEO of S. Graham & Associates, said. "We limit ourselves by moving in our small circles because of our fears. If we change the way we view the world, there's nothing we can't accomplish."

Graham began his speech by joking with the audience about his relationship with talk show host Oprah Winfrey.

"Most people know I'm involved with a major personality," Graham said. "Being with (Oprah Winfrey), you don't need success."

Graham discussed how he overcame his low self-esteem that he had

when he was growing up from the struggles of being African American and having two brothers who were mentally retarded.

"That was a very difficult time for me," Graham said. "You grow up with low self-esteem and not knowing who you are."

Graham said the key to overcoming low self-esteem and achieving success is knowing the process to success.

"After a while, I began to go through the process of success," he said. "I began to understand the process of success. I began to understand the American free enterprise system."

The importance of knowing who you are, especially in college, is something Graham stressed.

"In college, the challenge for you is going to be how do you take education and make it relevant to the real world," Graham said.

Graham outlined three of his nine steps to success for the audience, noting the most important is finding out what your passions are in life

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Stedman Graham,
CEO of S. Graham & Associates and
author of best seller
"You Can Make It Happen"

“which he referred to as "Check your I.D."

"The most important thing that's going to happen to you is finding out what you love," Graham said.

When you check your I.D., you, "find out what you love and take what you love and turn it into a career to make money," Graham said. He also said success is doing what you love, not working at a job that you can't wait to leave everyday.

"I'm not interested in you having a job," Graham said. "I'm interested in you having a life."

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Recreation director's salary goes for equipment

Position to remain empty after current director retires

By **Meghan McMahon**
Administration editor

The director of campus recreation position will not be filled after the current director retires because the salary money will be spent on purchasing new equipment for the Student Recreation Center.

Shirley Stewart, associate vice president for student affairs and faculty adviser to the Apportionment Board, said she made the decision not to fill the position at this time because the money would be better spent on equipment for the Student Recreation Center.

"As the hiring agent for the position, in the best interest of the students, I felt we could do that for at least a year," Stewart said. "I'm going to be using appropriated dollars and distribute them to the equipment fund."

The director of campus recreation's annual salary is approximately \$50,000.

She said she made the decision as a result of the AB's need to cut approximately \$67,000 from the budgets.

"The Thursday before spring break, the AB was deliberating on budget and where to get (about \$60,000) they needed," Stewart said.

She said the money would have had to come out of the Campus Recreation budget because the University

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Student Senate resolution receives needed CAA support

By **Meghan McMahon**
Administration editor

Student Senate members say they received the support they wanted regarding a resolution urging academic advisers to inform their students of Career Services' offerings and have no immediate plans to find more support for the resolution.

The resolution states "the Student Senate urges academic areas to ensure that students have access to such information via the Academic Advisement and Learning Assistance Center, central departmental offices, the Career Services web page at <http://www.jobsrv.eiu.edu>, and other appropriate locations on and off campus."

Student Senate member Melissa Girten said the Council on Academic Affairs voted to support the resolution, which was the support the senate was looking for. "The issue of advisers is pretty much done at this point," Girten said.

She said the Career Services Advisory Board will continue to meet and discuss ways to publicize Career Service offerings.

The Student Senate originally asked the Faculty Senate to support two resolutions.

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NATO praises mission despite setbacks

BELGRADE, Yugoslavia (AP) – NATO used its air assaults to tighten a ring around Yugoslav forces in Kosovo, where Serbs were packing masses of ethnic Albanians into refugee trains so tightly that at least two people died. Three U.S. soldiers captured by the army faced charges by a military court.

A Vatican envoy traveled to Belgrade to urge an end to the

airstrikes, but the Western alliance said the bombardment of Yugoslav President Slobodan Milosevic's forces would proceed as long as necessary.

Allied attacks destroyed a bridge over the Danube River and struck at Yugoslav military units in Kosovo as the NATO campaign to halt the eradication of independence-minded ethnic Albanians in the break-

away province reached its ninth day.

"The ring is closing around the Yugoslav forces," NATO Secretary-General Javier Solana said Thursday.

State-run Serbian television, meanwhile, claimed that Yugoslav forces had cleaned out key strongholds of the rebel Kosovo Liberation Army.

Applicants being taken for Student Government

By Chris Sievers
 Student government editor

Applications for the Student Government elections, which will be held April 20-21, are available for students in the Student Activity Center.

The applications must be turned in by April 9, said Victoria Markley, student vice president for student affairs.

Markley said there are 21 senate seats open in the election, four vice president positions and five student dean positions.

Markley said students who are interested in being on Student Senate are required to fill out an application and have

a petition signed by 25 students. Student deans and executive positions require 100 signatures.

Markley said there will be an informational meeting for those students interested in being in the Student Government elections.

The informational meeting for students running for a senate position will be held at 5 p.m. Wednesday. An informational meeting also will be held at 4 p.m. Wednesday for those students running for a student dean position or executive position. Both meetings will be held in the Kansas Room of the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union.

Success

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Graham said one way for a student to choose a career is for the student to think about what he or she would do if he or she did not have to worry about money.

"I hope as students you begin to search yourselves," Graham said. "If you love to draw, if you love graphics, that's probably what you should be doing."

The second step to success Graham discussed was to "build a vision for yourself," Graham said when people decide who they want to be in life, they should begin the process to reach success as soon as possible.

He also said students should not wait until they finish college to begin looking for a job.

"The most valuable asset is time," Graham said. "Once you give away your time, you can't get it back."

"Develop your travel plan" was the third step to success Graham mentioned.

"We need to plan every single day," Graham said. "I don't want other people controlling my days. I plan from the time I get up in the morning until the time I go to bed."

Graham said his fourth plan to success is "Overcoming

Fears." He said everyone has fears they must overcome.

"For me, I grew up with low self-esteem," Graham said. "I grew up with a lack of confidence. All of us have those fears. All of us have to deal with it."

Graham said he hoped if the audience did not leave with anything else, they left knowing that understanding the process to success is the way to achieve goals.

"Once you understand the process to success," Graham said, "You can control your own destiny."

During the question and answer period following Graham's speech, he discussed the challenges of dating a personality like Winfrey, who reaches 20 million people every day.

"When I walk into corporate America, I don't walk in as Stedman Graham, I walk in as Oprah Winfrey's boyfriend," he said. "The bottom line isn't who you're with, but what you bring to the table."

Graham signed copies of his book after his speech. Graham's appearance was made possible by the Lumpkin College of Business, the Interfraternity Council, the Panhellenic Council, Delta Sigma Pi professional business fraternity and the University Board.

Equipment

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Board budget was already cut.

When AB members went through the equipment, they had valid reasons for needing each piece of equipment requested, Stewart said.

"On each count they raised good issues," she said.

Stewart, the two program directors in the campus recreation department, two secretaries in the campus recreation department and graduate students will take on the job responsibilities of the director of campus recreation, she said.

Some of the job responsibilities include budgeting, staffing, preparing advertising, preparing press releases, monitoring programs and supervising staff, Stewart said.

"I think it is an advantage because you are going to have lots of equipment for students," she said.

She said it is possible that the director of campus recreation position could be filled in the future.

"I'm going to take a look at how the (Student Recreation Center) is functioning and will make a decision," Stewart said.

Support

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The first was similar to the resolution the CAA voted to support and the second involved excusing students from classes for attending job fairs.

The Faculty Senate failed to support the resolutions because it felt it may be a contractual issue and they did not feel comfortable asking advisers to add more responsibilities to their jobs.

After the Faculty Senate failed to support the resolutions, Girten and Melissa Riley, student vice president for academic affairs, asked Mary Herrington-Perry, associate vice president for academic affairs, to help reword the resolution so it was not so strongly worded.

The resolution the CAA voted to support was the resolution that was rewritten with Herrington-Perry's help.

Girten said they will not go back to the Faculty Senate and ask them for support, but it is something she will consider in the future.

"We've discovered there are a lot of other ways to get things done on campus," Girten said.

police blotter

Possession of Drug Paraphernalia

■ Craig F. Wilson, 22, of 743 Sixth St., was cited at 1:33 a.m. Wednesday at Lake Charleston on charges of possession of drug paraphernalia, according to a police report.

Public Urination

■ Eric J. McCabe, 23, of 941 Fourth St., was cited at 1:40 a.m. Saturday in the 400 block of Fourth Street on charges of public urination, according to a police report.

Alcohol Violations

■ Mike A. Ball, 18, of 162 Ford Hall, and Jessica M. Hossbach, 18, of 612 Andrews Hall, were both cited at 1:04 a.m.

Wednesday in the parking lot of Six, 1412 Fourth St., on charges of purchase or acceptance of alcohol by a minor, according to a police report.

■ Jeremy M. Deck, 21, of Hoopeston, was cited at 12:50 a.m. Sunday in the 300 block of Buchanan Avenue on charges of public possession of alcohol, according to a police report.

Criminal Damage to Property

■ Timothy R. Pollock, manager of Long John Silver's, 102 Lincoln Ave., reported at 8:13 a.m. Saturday that sometime between 1 and 8 a.m. Saturday, someone smashed the drive-thru window with a large rock, according to a police report.

Purse Stolen at Stu's

■ Tonya R. Williams, 26, reported at 3:30 p.m. Saturday a theft of her purse at Stu's Surf Side, 1405 Fourth St., according to a police report. Williams reported that between 11 p.m. and 12:30 a.m. Wednesday, her purse was stolen from the table she had left it at on the balcony, the report said. The purse was valued at \$20 and it contained an ID card valued at \$5, a Linkcard, Social Security cards for her and her children and keys, according to the report.

Hit and Run


■ Nathan C. Kylander, 19, of Rural Route #1, Chenoa, Ill., reported at 9:30 a.m. Sunday, damage to his vehicle, a police report said. According to the report, Kylander said he parked his car in Lot W on campus Saturday night and when he returned to his vehicle Sunday, the front driver's side door had a large dent in it, the report said.

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A bubbly good time

Nicole Endris, junior accounting major, was blowing bubbles while Ryan Howland, junior sociology major, watched Tuesday evening in the South Quad. The pleasant weather brought many Eastern students out last night.

Mandy Marshall / Staff photographer

Recitals start for music majors today

By Kevin Mulcahy
Staff writer

Spring recitals for music majors begin at noon today in the Dvorak Concert Hall of the Doudna Fine Arts Center and are sponsored by the Eastern Music department.

Music majors perform concerts in front of audiences over the course of the year. Trombone player Michael Storer will be performing in his first Spring Recital.

"I am a little nervous because I am performing so much music," he said. "But I am very excited for the most part."

Storer will perform a solo along with two more performances. One performance Storer will be playing is with a pianist, and in the other performance he will be performing with a quartet.

Storer will be performing classical-style music such as "Fugue Eight" from J.S. Bach's "Well Tempered Clavier," "La Pattite" by Susan Arthur, and "Sonata" by Robert Sanders.

"This is a good experience for music majors," he said. "Recitals like this are a great opportunity to perform for people."

Kyle Henderson, who plays the saxophone, also will be performing in a recital beginning at 7:30 p.m. in the Dvorak Concert Hall. The recitals, as well as Eastern concerts, are free and open to the public.

Henderson was unavailable for comment.

AB approves budgets, ready for senate approval

By Chris Sievers
Student government editor

Apportionment Board members Thursday approved the submitted budgets of the five fee-funded boards.

AB members voted to send the budgets to the Student Senate next week for their final approval.

AB Chair Mike Hansen said a total of \$65,883 was cut from the five fee-funded

board's budgets.

AB members approved to give \$145,659 to the Sports and Recreation Board.

Hansen said \$4,450 was added to the budget to purchase two sets of large lockers for the Student Recreation Center.

"(The lockers) will be a huge asset for the students," he said.

AB members approved a budget of \$173,610 for the University Board.

A total of \$43,170 was approved for the AB

and \$25,955 was approved for the Student Senate.

Dramatic Performance Board will receive \$11,606 from student activity fees.

Hansen said the budgets will be presented to the Student Senate Wednesday. The senate will have the final approval on the budgets.

Hansen said if the senate does not approve the budgets then AB members will meet next week to make the proposed cuts. If the senate approves the budgets, there will be no more meetings this

RHA prepares for big brother, big sister outing

Portery Scott
Staff writer

Residence Hall Association members Thursday discussed events that will be held during the Big Brother and Big Sister outing scheduled for April 13.

RHA President Colette Guerdet said the outing will be a cookout at

the Campus Pond from 6 to 8 p.m.

Suggested events include kickball, four square and a water balloon toss.

RHA members also discussed a \$2.50 fee increase for the shuttle bus. Student Senate member Amy Wessling said the ridership is low and if it does not increase, the shuttle will be eliminated.

Currently, Western Illinois University students pay \$19.92 per semester for shuttle services, while Eastern students pay \$2.50 per semester, she said.

RHA members reported that next fall, Pemberton Hall will become an honors residence hall and priority will go to honor students.

In other business, RHA mem-

bers took National Residence Hall Honorary nominations.

Nominees must have a minimum 2.25 GPA, be a second semester freshman and live in university housing.

On April 23, a special Olympics will be held. Volunteers are needed and applications are available in Buzzard Hall.

Online counseling, economics topics of presentations

By Melanie Schneider
Staff writer

Two presentations covering areas such as online counseling and economics will be given today as part of the Graduate Forum Series.

Paul Straub, from the consulting firm Marketing Analytics, will present "Economic Theory in Forecasting" from 3 to 5 p.m. in 210 Coleman Hall.

Straub is responsible for estimating demand functions for every product Sears markets. He will discuss the practical application of micro economic theory in the busi-

ness world, a press release said.

Bob Augustine, acting dean of the graduate school, said Straub's speech will be an interesting one to attend.

"He is a very exciting speaker and has specific expertise in marketing economics for graduate students," Augustine said.

This is the seventh forum sponsored by the Graduate School and the economics department.

The eighth forum in the series will be held in the form of a fair.

The Faculty Research Fair will have faculty members from the College of Education and

Professional Studies present creative research projects.

This forum will be held from 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. in the Faculty Development Center, 2504 Buzzard Hall.

"These faculty members earned research awards from the College of Education and Professional Studies," Augustine said.

Seven faculty members will present their research at the fair.

Scott Crawford from the physical education department will present "The British Golf Museum, St. Andrews, Scotland: A Research Inventory," Carolyn Cooper, dean of

the graduate school, will present "Russian Families Today" and Barbara Powell, assistant professor from counseling and the student development department, will present "Pre-clinical Experiences for Secondary Education Majors: A Follow-up Study."

Wei Rose Zhang, associate professor in the department of secondary education and foundations, will present "Educational Integration of Computer-based Technology into DEF 2555," John Weber, assistant professor of leisure studies, will present "Funding of Public Recreation in Rural

Communities," Peggy Holmes-Layman, assistant professor of leisure studies, will present "Leisure Studies Alumni Survey," and French Fraker, associate professor in Counseling and Student Development, will present "Is Internet Counseling Effective?"

This forum is sponsored by The Graduate School, The College of Education and Professional Studies, and the CEPS Research/Grants Committee.

These free presentations are the seventh and eight presentations in a series of nine from the Graduate Forum Series.

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An important visit

Chinese Ambassador Li Zhaoxing was received by a large audience Wednesday night, which displayed Eastern communities' support regarding international relations.

It is impressive to see so many students concerned about the welfare of international peace relations. The large number of attendance speaks for itself on the intelligence of Eastern's campus community.

Zhaoxing is the first Chinese ambassador to arrive at Eastern and is an important figure. His job is to work with American ambassadors to keep the peace between the United States and

Chinese ambassador

The Eastern campus and community benefited from the visit of the first Chinese ambassador to Charleston.

China. In fact, he has served as Chinese ambassador to the United States since 1998.

Also, the issues Zhaoxing discussed are very timely because peace is a public topic with the United Nations bombing Kosovo.

Zhaoxing discussed this issue and said Kosovo is Yugoslavia's problem and that he is not sure the bombings are a good idea in such a personal war. Zhaoxing said he feels the commotion in Kosovo is an internal problem and that other countries should not be involved.

Zhaoxing's appearance also makes history at Eastern because the university has not had the privilege of hosting an ambassador for the past 11 years. Ambassadors are a resource to the international world and Eastern was honored to have such an important figure grace its campus grounds.

Regardless of the fact that many of the students who watched the presentation gained extra credit for their attendance, it was a good showing for such a pertinent figure.

All the students, faculty and community who attended all came away from the speech as more informed individuals, which is the first step to creating an understood peace.

Peace can only be achieved through communication and education.

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

Today's quote

First keep the peace within yourself, then you can also bring peace to others.

Thomas Kempis,
Dutch ecclesiastic and writer 1380-1471

Why all the hoopla? It's only \$2.50

Two dollars and fifty cents: That's how much the fee increase would be to fund Eastern's shuttle bus that picks up students and takes them to their far away home or to shop for groceries and other things. And that's the amount of money people are writing letters about and talking about all over campus. In fact, I've heard more about this so-called fee increase than I have about the three United States men who are illegally detained in Kosovo. When looking at the battered faces of one of the men on the 12 o'clock news Thursday, I think it's ridiculous that people could worry about this issue.

All I have to say is - \$2.50. What is that? It's five 12-ounce sodas out of a soda machine. It's one beer at Friends & Co. You can't even buy a lunch with \$2.50. All of the ink that has been used to discuss the topic and who gets to decide about the increase has cost much more than the fee itself. I realize that my column is one more story about the topic - but I'm subjecting myself to this debate for the sole purpose of expressing the idea that people losing sleep over the shuttle bus situation should relax. I don't understand how anyone could hold such a deep opinion for whether students should pay \$2.50 more for a bus that is a service for students who don't have a car or choose not to pay to park on campus.

I realize that the idea of students being in favor of increasing one more fee could be interpreted as students not caring about increasing all fees - and then the price for admission could possibly get higher and higher. But just because some students might be in favor of an increase in one bus fee does-



Jessica Sedgwick
Verge editor

"Isn't \$2.50 worth helping another get to class?"

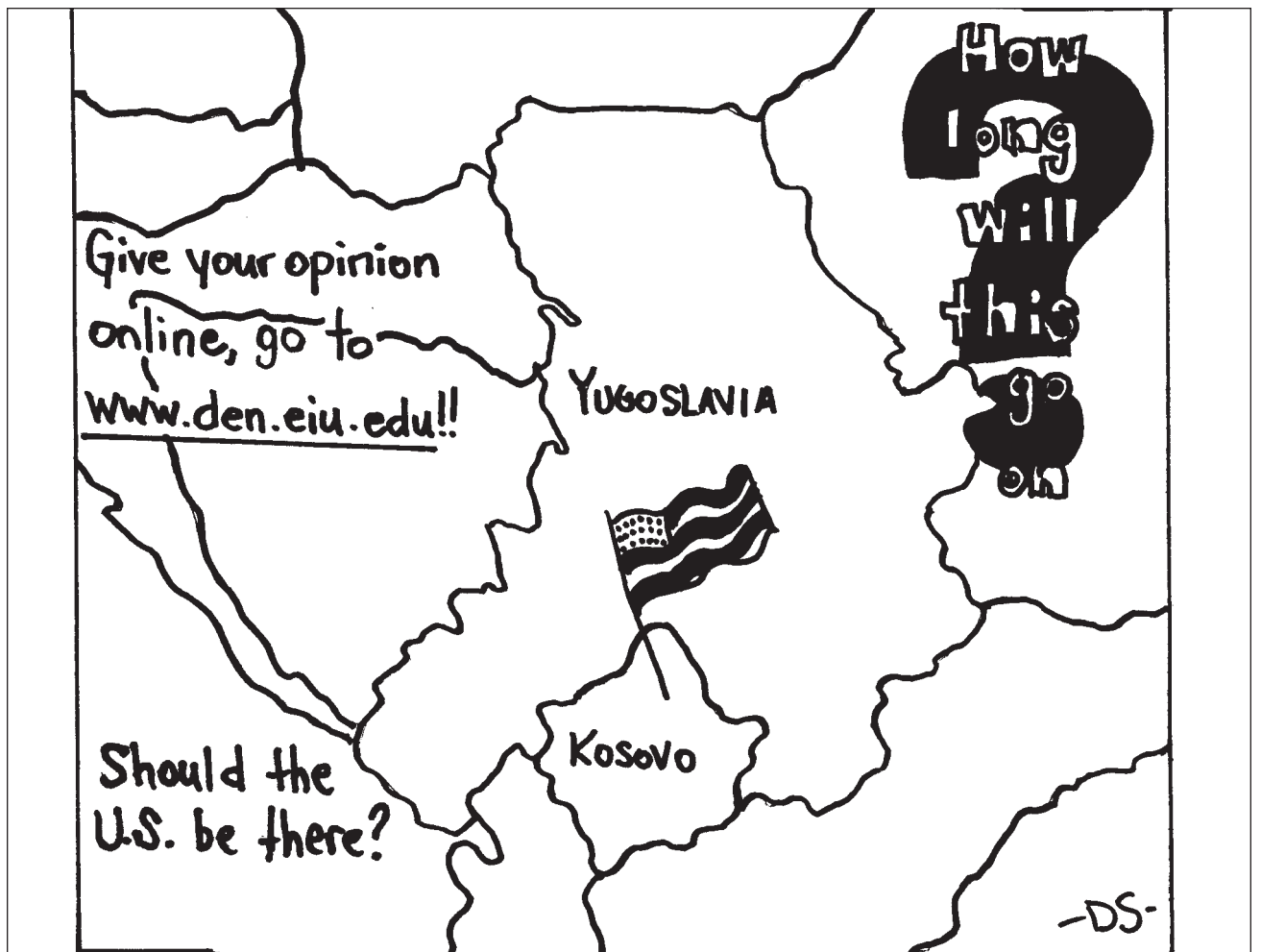
n't mean the same students are saying that they don't care if anything and everything else is raised along with it. And besides, fees raise each and every year anyway. The \$2.50 for the shuttle bus won't make a bit of difference.

In case students didn't know, the present fees for this spring semester include \$60 for the use of the Student Recreation Center and \$42.55 for an athletic fee,

which goes toward the athletic program for scholarships, traveling, facilities, etc. I know plenty of people who make it to the Rec Center just a few times a year, if that. And I'm sure there's people who don't care as much about the athletics at this university as others. Students will always have different interests from each other, because people are different.

But for the students who have a car to drive to campus or who live on campus and can walk to class - isn't \$2.50 worth helping another get to class? It seems to me that if we all can pay 24 times the amount of the bus fee for the use of the Rec Center - then we can dish out \$2.50 for the people who could really benefit from the bus. We can dish out \$2.50 for students such as foreign exchange students who have no other means of transportation and need to get around to buy something for dinner at Wilb Walkers or get back to their apartment on the Square. After all, we're paying a lot more for other services we don't use, why not help others for the price of just five sodas?

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Online counseling to benefit students

I am writing this letter in response to the March 8 *Daily Eastern News* column by Amy Thon titled "Counseling should remain 'offline.'" Amy, you would be pleased to know that about 85 percent of my colleagues agree with you. Even some of the members of the counseling team involved in this research project have serious doubts about the efficacy of online counseling. They believe the counseling process needs a face-to-face relationship to be effective. So why are we offering counseling online, and why are my skeptical colleagues participating in this project?

Both are good questions and deserve an explanation. Like it or not, counseling online is a reality. Our preliminary research for this project found that there are currently hundreds of sites on the World Wide Web offering online counseling. We also found the National Board for Certified Counselors, a counselor certifying body, had even developed standards for the ethical practice of web-

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counseling. So, part of the explanation is that online counseling is already very prevalent, and a national certifying organization is sanctioning it.

Our preliminary investigation also found there is currently little or no solid research evaluation online counseling. We found no research to show that online counseling works. So why did we continue our plans to offer online counseling? Because we also found no research that shows online counseling does not work. So, the fact is no one knows for sure if online counseling works.

One of the roles of institutions of higher education, like Eastern, is to advance the knowledge base of the various academic disciplines. In this case, we as the counseling department, saw a void in the knowledge base related to online counseling. The second part of the explanation of why we are offering online counseling does or does not work.

We wanted to run this project with complete anonymity, but because this is a research project using the students, the university requires each participant to sign an informed consent form before starting. The questionnaire, which is filled at the beginning and then again at the end of the project, is a way of documenting the impact of the online counseling sessions. This type of documentation is currently lacking in online counseling research.

Each student volunteer in this project will have the same team of counselors throughout the project. A student may send as many e-mail messages to their counseling team as they like. He or she will receive a response within 48 hours.

We are still looking for students to volunteer for this project. I encourage you Amy, and all other students to try out this means of counseling. Check out the project at:

www.eiu.edu/~eiu/cs/webcounselor/webcounselor.html

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Getting early lead key to Panther's success

By Bill Ruthhart
Staff writer

When Eastern takes on Murray State this afternoon in a conference doubleheader on the road, the Panthers will look to jump on the conference leading Racers early and often.

Panther head coach Jim Schmitz hopes to take away some of the Racers' confidence early with such a philosophy.

"Against Butler, we jumped out to the lead early," Schmitz said. "I think that will become important this weekend and Murray has a lot of confidence right now."

According to Schmitz, Murray is an extremely aggressive club, both on the field and at the plate.

"Their team really goes after it," Schmitz said.

"They've got three or four guys in their lineup that do a nice job of driving the ball."

The Panther skipper hopes his pitchers can neutralize the Racers' offensive aggressiveness early in the game.

"We weren't ready for them jumping out at us last year," Schmitz said. "Our pitchers have to do a good job of keeping their hitters off balance."

Schmitz is confident his starters for today's doubleheader, Matt Gage (0-4, 8.70 ERA) and John Larson (2-2, 1.30 ERA), can shut down the Murray offense early.

"We cannot allow them to get off to a good start," Schmitz said. "And I feel confident because Johnny and Matt have done that in their conference weekends."

By taking away some of Murray's momentum and confidence early in the game, Schmitz hopes that will help his Panthers to victory.

"We need to take away a little bit of their confidence early," Schmitz said. "And therefore that will give us a little bit of an edge in the end."

Murray, who was picked to finish eighth in the Ohio Valley Conference at the begin-



Deanna McIntyre / Photo editor

Panther firstbaseman Tony Perkins stretched for the ball in Eastern's win over Indiana State on Feb. 23. The panthers travel to Murray State today to take on the OVC leading Racers.

ning of the year, is currently tied atop the OVC with a 5 -1 conference record.

Both Murray and Eastern have had solid pitching staffs thus far this season with Murray ranking second in the conference with a 5.33 ERA, and Eastern coming in right behind Murray with a third-best ERA of 5.55.

The Racers currently lead the conference in most offensive categories, which includes hitting at a league-leading .336 clip. Eastern, on the other hand, is currently last in the conference, hitting .231 on the season as a team.

The Racers come into today's doubleheader with four players among the OVC's leading hitters. Third baseman Todd Fox, outfielder Chris Williams, shortstop Chris

Johnson, and first baseman Dan Loyd all rank among the league's best.

Although Eastern struggled offensively early in the year, it has showed great improvement over the last few games.

"(Wednesday against Butler) was a real breakout day for us," Schmitz said.

"We had three or four two-strike hits, and all of our runs in the first inning of the second game came with two outs."

Schmitz has especially pleased with how his team's clutch hitting has come around of late.

"(Wednesday) was really a nice day where we were able to get that clutch hitting," Schmitz said. "And I don't think we had that until (Wednesday)."

Schmitz said a similar performance

could make the difference in this weekend's conference series

"I think it's the clutch hitting and two-out RBIs with men on base is what it will come down to," Schmitz said.

For the Panthers, the focus leading up to this weekend has not been on the Racers, but what they need to improve on as a team.

"We spend a lot of time discussing what it takes for us to get better, not necessarily Murray," Schmitz said.

As Eastern reaches the heart of the conference season, the goal for this weekend's series remains the same as it has been all season.

"It's mid-season now, and we're on the road," Schmitz said. "And our goal is to win two out of three."

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EIU CALENDAR

Today

All day - Women's golf at Eastern Kentucky Invitational
All day - Men's and women's track hosts Big Blue Classic (O'Brien Stadium)

1 p.m. - Baseball at Murray State (2)
2:30 p.m. - Men's and women's tennis vs. Eastern Kentucky (Lantz courts)

Saturday

All day - Men's and women's track hosts Big Blue Classic (O'Brien Stadium)
1 p.m. - Baseball at Murray State
1 p.m. - Women's tennis vs. Murray State (Lantz courts)

2 p.m. - Softball vs. Tennessee-Martin at Williams Field (2)

Sunday

No events scheduled.

NBA

EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division			
	W	L	GB
Orlando	22	9	-
Miami	19	9	1.5
New York	18	14	4.5
Philadelphia	15	14	6.0
Washington	12	17	9.0
Boston	10	18	10.5
New Jersey	6	24	15.5

Central Division			
	W	L	GB
Indiana	20	11	-
Atlanta	19	13	1.5
Detroit	18	12	1.5
Milwaukee	17	12	2.0
Toronto	15	14	4.0
Cleveland	15	15	4.5
Charlotte	12	16	7.5
Chicago	9	21	10.5

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Midwest Division			
	W	L	GB
Utah	21	8	-
Houston	22	9	-
San Antonio	20	10	1.5
Minnesota	17	13	4.5
Dallas	10	22	12.5
Denver	8	23	14.0
Vancouver	6	24	15.5

Pacific Division			
	W	L	GB
Portland	24	6	-
L.A. Lakers	21	11	4.0
Seattle	15	14	8.5
Phoenix	15	16	9.5
Sacramento	14	18	11.0
Golden State	13	17	11.0
L.A. Clippers	3	26	20.5

*Late games not included

Thursday's results

Toronto 88, Indiana 87
New York 78, Cleveland 74
Philadelphia at Miami, 6:30 p.m.
New Jersey 90, Atlanta 85
*Chicago at Detroit
*L.A. Clippers at Dallas
*Vancouver at San Antonio
*Seattle at Denver
*Houston at Utah

Today's games

Milwaukee at Boston, 7 p.m.
Cleveland at Philadelphia, 7 p.m.
Vancouver at Atlanta, 7:30 p.m.
Indiana at Charlotte, 8 p.m.
Denver at Minnesota, 8 p.m.
Orlando at Chicago, 8:30 p.m.
L.A. Lakers at Phoenix, 10:30 p.m.
Utah at Golden State, 10:30 p.m.
Seattle at Portland, 10 p.m.
Saturday's games
Miami at New Jersey, 1 p.m.
Washington at Toronto, 3 p.m.
Orlando at Detroit, 7:30 p.m.
Sacramento at Minnesota, 8 p.m.
L.A. Clippers at San Antonio, 8:30 p.m.
Golden State at L.A. Lakers, 10:30 p.m.
Phoenix at Portland, 10 p.m.

Detroit 107, Chicago 75

CHICAGO (75) - Kukoc 2-7 2-4 6, Bryant 7-11 0-0 14, Simpkins 6-9 2-2 14, Jones 3-10 1-2 8, Barry 3-7 0-0 6, Booth 0-1 0-2 0, Carr 3-7 0-0 7, David

6-10 0-0 12, Wennington 2-7 0-0 4, LaRue 1-6 1-1 4, Totals 33-75 6-11 75.
DETROIT (107) - Hill 8-14 2-6 18, Reid 7-9 0-0 14, Dele 6-7 0-0 12, Dumars 6-9 2-2 18, Hunter 5-12 0-0 10, Laettner 2-4 6-8 11, Williams 3-4-5 7-11, Buechler 2-5 0-0 6, Reeves 0-1-1 4-1, Montross 2-3 0-0 4, Vaught 1-2 0-1 2. Totals 42-70 16-28 107.
Chicago 18 24 13 - 75
Detroit 23 25 26 - 107
3-Point Goals - Chicago 3-11 (Carr 1-1, LaRue 1-3, Jones 1-4, Kukoc 0-1, Barry 0-2), Detroit 7-17 (Dumars 4-7, Buechler 2-5, Laettner 1-2, Hunter 0-1, Hill 0-1, Reeves 0-1). Fouled out - Wennington. Rebounds - Chicago 41 (Simpkins 8), Detroit 46 (Reid 6). Assists - Chicago 20 (Barry, Carr, LaRue 4), Detroit 38 (Hill 11). Total fouls - Chicago 21, Detroit 14. Technicals - Chicago coach Floyd, Hill. Flagrant fouls - Simpkins.
A - 17,583 (22,076).

NHL

EASTERN CONFERENCE

Northeast Division			
	Pts	GF	GA
Ottawa	94	217	157
Toronto	86	237	216
Buffalo	81	188	161
Boston	77	190	166
Montreal	68	168	186

Atlantic Division			
	Pts	GF	GA
New Jersey	91	220	179
Pittsburgh	85	226	200
Philadelphia	83	216	179
N.Y. Rangers	72	202	204
N.Y. Islanders	51	172	224

Southeast Division			
	Pts	GF	GA
Carolina	77	193	192
Florida	72	188	193
Washington	64	184	194
Tampa Bay	40	159	267

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Central Division			
	Pts	GF	GA
Detroit	82	221	187
St. Louis	73	208	191
Nashville	59	173	234
Chicago	58	178	233

Northwest Division			
	Pts	GF	GA
Colorado	87	215	185
Calgary	67	191	204
Edmonton	67	201	198
Vancouver	55	181	232

Pacific Division			
	Pts	GF	GA
Dallas	106	215	150
Phoenix	84	183	174
Anaheim	77	191	181
San Jose	71	170	175
Los Angeles	61	169	198

*Late games not included

Thursday's results

Boston at Montreal, 6 p.m.
Florida at Washington, 6 p.m.
Pittsburgh at Ottawa, 6:30 p.m.
Tampa Bay at St. Louis, 7 p.m.
Philadelphia at Calgary, 8 p.m.
Toronto at Edmonton, 8 p.m.

Today's games

Toronto at Carolina, 7 p.m.
San Jose at Ottawa, 7:30 p.m.
Nashville at Florida, 7:30 p.m.
Tampa Bay at Detroit, 7:30 p.m.
Washington at Colorado, 9 p.m.
St. Louis at Edmonton, 9 p.m.
Dallas at Anaheim, 10:30 p.m.
Saturday's games
Buffalo at Pittsburgh, noon
Chicago at New Jersey, 1 p.m.
NY Rangers at Philadelphia, 1 p.m.
Boston at Toronto, 7 p.m.
Ottawa at NY Islanders, 7 p.m.
Montreal at Vancouver, 7 p.m.
Calgary at Phoenix, 10 p.m.

MLB

AMERICAN LEAGUE

	W	L	Pct.
Kansas City	22	7	.759
Seattle	20	10	.667

Boston	18	9	.667
Baltimore	13	10	.565
Chicago	17	14	.548
Detroit	14	14	.500
Texas	13	13	.500
Tampa Bay	13	14	.481
Anaheim	13	15	.464
Oakland	14	17	.452
New York	13	18	.419
Cleveland	12	17	.414
Minnesota	11	20	.355
Toronto	10	20	.333

NATIONAL LEAGUE

	W	L	Pct.
Arizona	20	10	.667
Los Angeles	18	9	.667
San Diego	19	11	.633
Pittsburgh	16	11	.593
St. Louis	15	12	.556
Atlanta	15	13	.536
Cincinnati	15	15	.500
New York	14	15	.483
Houston	13	14	.481
Philadelphia	13	14	.481
Colorado	13	15	.464
San Francisco	13	17	.433
Montreal	12	19	.387
Florida	10	18	.357
Chicago	10	19	.345
Milwaukee	9	20	.310

(NOTE: Split-squad games count in the standings, ties do not; games against non-major league teams do not.)
Thursday's results
*Late games not included

Texas 6, Cincinnati 4
Kansas City 10, Detroit 4
Toronto 11, Tampa Bay 8
Boston 7, Minnesota 4
Baltimore 2, Florida 0
Houston 7, Atlanta 1
Pittsburgh 12, Philadelphia 7
New York Yankees 7, Cleveland 6
Colorado 7, Milwaukee 7, tie
San Diego 9, Seattle 8
Chicago Cubs 3, Oakland (ss) 2
Chicago White Sox vs. Arizona at Tucson, Ariz., cond., rain
Oakland (ss) at Midland (AA), Texas, (n)

COLLEGE

Baseball

OVC Standings

	Conf.	Overall
Murray State	5-1	19-7-1
Austin Peay	5-1	15-9
Southeast Missouri	4-2	11-14
Eastern Illinois	3-3	9-15
Middle Tennessee	3-3	9-15

Eastern Kentucky	2-4	17-12
Tennessee-Martin	1-2	10-18
Tennessee Tech	1-5	9-15
Morehead State	0-3	11-12-1

INTRAMURALS

Co-Rec Volleyball

A-Level	
Ball Crushers 2, Sig Kap/D-Chi 1	
Red Sand 2, The Aces 0	
Red Sand 2, Chocolate Salty Balls 1	

B-Level

CF 2, GF Y 0	
MGD 1, 1-800-Charter 0	
Guys & Dolls 2, BBB's 0	
Smackdown Hotel 2, GERD 1	

Co-Rec Floor Hockey

Tri Sigma/Sig Ep 5, Tuff Guys/AST 3
Delta Chi/Delta Zeta 11, TKE/Girls 5

Men's softball

Pike Gold 17, Men's 0
Sigma Pi Purple 23, Delta Chi Black 7
Freaks on Leash 24, Sig Ep Purple 12
Sigma Pi Gold 25, Headfirst 3

B-league

Slackers 18, Thundering Herd 11
The Jabronies over Etanimod (Forfeit)
Red & Buff 15, Stevenson Hall 14

Women's softball

Smurfettes over AST (default)
Alpha Phi 6, Toppers 5

TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL

AMERICAN LEAGUE
BALTIMORE ORIOLES - Sent OF Johnny Isom, OF Eugene Kingsale and INF Augie Ojeda to their minor-league camp. Reassigned INF Esteban Beltre, C Tommy Davis, RHP Dave Evans and OF Mike Murphy to their minor-league camp.
BOSTON RED SOX - Purchased the contract of LHP Rneal Cormier and 1B Brian Daubach from Pawtucket of the International League. Sent OF Jon Nunnally outright to Pawtucket. Signed RHP Ramon Martinez. Placed RHP Ramon Martinez and DH-1B Reggie Jefferson on the 15-day disabled list.
KANSAS CITY ROYALS - Sent OF Les Norman, OF Scott Pose and RHP Terry Mathews to their minor-league camp. Placed RHP Hipolito Pichardo on the 15-day disabled list.
NEW YORK YANKEES - Released LHP Tony Fossas and RHP Jim Buske. Optioned RHP Todd Erdos to Columbus of the International League.
OAKLAND ATHLETICS - Released LHP Mark Holtzner.
TAMPA BAY DEVIL RAYS - Named John P. Higgins senior vice president-administration and general counsel. Placed RHP Rick Gorecki on the 15-day disabled list. Optioned LHP Tyrrell Wade to Durham of the International League.

TORONTO BLUE JAYS - Signed RHP Doug Bachtler to a minor-league contract.
NATIONAL LEAGUE
CINCINNATI REDS - Purchased the contract of RHP Scott Williamson.
HOUSTON ASTROS - Optioned INF Daryle Ward to New Orleans of the PCL.
SAN DIEGO PADRES - Placed LHP Ed Vosberg on the 15-day disabled list. Optioned OF Mike Darr to Las Vegas of the PCL. Released LHP Mark Langston.

Basketball

National Basketball Association
NBA - Suspended Indiana G Jalen Rose for one game and fined him \$5,000 and fined New York C Patrick Ewing \$2,500 for their actions during a game on March 30.

Football

National Football League
CINCINNATI BENGALS - Signed WR James Hurdon to a one-year contract.
HOCKEY
National Hockey League
ANAHEIM MIGHTY DUCKS - Agreed to terms with G Gregg Naumenko on a multi-year contract.
FLORIDA PANTHERS - Recalled D Peter Ratchuk and D Jeff Ware from New Haven of the AHL.
TAMPA BAY LIGHTNING - Recalled C Steve Kelly from Cleveland of the IHL.
OLYMPICS
USA WRESTLING - Named John Smith and Greg Strobel co-head coaches for the 2000 U.S. Olympic freestyle wrestling team.
COLLEGE
DREXEL - Named Steve Seymour men's basketball coach.
ERSKINE - Named Kevin Nichols baseball coach.
GEORGIA SOUTHERN - Named Carl Nash men's assistant basketball coach.
HOLY CROSS - Named Ralph Willard men's basketball coach.
LOYOLA - Announced the retirement of Chuck Schwarz, athletic director.
MISSOURI - Announced the resignation of Norm Stewart, men's basketball coach.
NEVADA - Named Andy McClouskey men's assistant basketball coach.
NORTH CAROLINA-GREENSBORO - Named Fran McCaffery men's basketball coach.
PITTSBURGH - Named Lennie Parham and Pat Sandle men's assistant basketball coaches.
STANFORD - Named Tony Fuller men's assistant basketball coach.
WISCONSIN-MILWAUKEE - Named Bo Ryan men's basketball coach.

Waldorf ties course record at Bell South

DULUTH, Ga. (AP) - Duffy Waldorf stepped in front of the David Duval express, equaling a course record with a 9-under-par 63 Thursday to grab the lead after the first round of the BellSouth Classic.

Duval, the world's hottest player, was only three shots off the pace after a soggy day at the TPC at Sugarloaf course north of Atlanta, site of the final tune-up for the Masters.

Waldorf, needing a victory to qualify for his fifth appearance at Augusta National, was planning to spend next week with his wife and four children, enjoying some time away from the course. However, he's willing to reconsider.

"You're always looking for a way to get back in," said Waldorf, who last played at Augusta two years ago and finished fifth in 1996. "I have a good chance this week. I'm happy to at least be in the ballgame."

Waldorf tied the course record

set a year ago by Tiger Woods, whose third-round 63 carried him to a one-shot victory over Jay Don Blake.

Woods did not return this year to defend his title. The start was delayed two hours by fog, the remnant of severe storms that soaked the 7,259-yard course the previous day.

The soft, wet conditions prevented the players from getting a taste of the icy greens they'll face next week at Augusta, but most seemed relieved to escape the brutal set-up that surrendered only two below-par scores in The Players Championship.

"It was nice to get out and make a couple of birdies after last week," said Waldorf, who put together nine birdies on the 7,259-yard course.

He was one shot ahead of New Zealander Grant Waite and two in front of South African Rory Sabbatini. But all eyes were on Duval, lurking among a group of players with a 6-under 66.

Bauer

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ON THIS DAY

1876 - The first official National League baseball game is played with Boston beating Philadelphia 6-5.

1939 - Ralph Guldahl beats Sam Snead by one stroke to capture the Masters golf tournament.

1983 - New York Islander Mike Bossy becomes the first to score 60 or more goals in three consecutive seasons.

1984 - Georgetown, led by junior center Patrick Ewing and freshman forward Reggie Williams, beats Houston 84-75 to win the NCAA championship in Seattle. Houston is only the second team to lose in two consecutive finals.

1986 - The 3-point field goal, at 19 feet, 9 inches, is adopted by the NCAA.

1990 - UNLV pounds Duke 103-73 to win its first NCAA championship and extend the Blue Devils' streak to eight Final Four appearances without a title.

The Runnin' Rebels become the first to score more than 100 points in a championship game and their 30-point margin is the largest ever.

1993 - Cleveland's Mark Price falls one free throw short of tying an NBA record in a 114-113 loss to Charlotte. Price makes his first six foul shots to give him 77 in a row, but misses the second of a two-shot foul in the fourth quarter, leaving intact Calvin Murphy's 12-year old record.

1995 - Connecticut caps an unbeaten season by defeating Tennessee 70-64 for the NCAA women's championship. The Huskies, 35-0, become the winningest basketball team for one season in Division I.

says. "This is what we're doing on the uniforms," I'd say, "Looks great to me."

Translation: I'm not sure about this, but I'd better keep my mouth shut or I will miss out on all this additional money that everyone is talking about.

And what is the reason for the need to generate extra revenue? To pay the player's salaries, of course. Certainly the problem here couldn't be that salaries are too high. It must be that baseball isn't marketing itself in the right way.

A simple pay cut apparently would not work in this case. And besides, the players probably could not afford it.

Instead, the owners decide to raise ticket prices, after all, the fans can afford it. Or they find

Softball squad drops two

By Chad Merda
Sports editor

The beginning of the conference season was supposed to be somewhat of a reward for the Eastern softball team — some easier competition would surely help the record.

However, that wasn't the case with Thursday's doubleheader at Southeast Missouri, where the Panthers were swept, 5-2 and 3-2. Eastern's record now stands at a dismal 4-16 overall and 0-2 in Ohio Valley Conference play. SEMO's record improved to 13-11 and 3-0 in the OVC.

The Panthers just fell short in the second game after SEMO jumped out to an early 3-0 lead after three innings.

However, Eastern battled back with a run in the top of the fifth and another in the seventh before SEMO put an end to the threat.

Panther catcher Amy Kukman got the lone RBI of the game as the other run was unearned. Third baseman Leah Jones went 2-for-3 in the game.

Eastern pitcher Sara DeLaere went the distance for the Panthers in game two, giving up an earned run on six hits. She struck out two.

DeLaere's record dropped to 3-6 while SEMO's Debbie Schmelz picked up the win to move to 6-7.

In the first game, Eastern jumped out to a 2-0 lead in the top of the third, only to have SEMO cut the lead in half in the bottom half of the inning.

A four-spot in the fourth inning locked up the game for the Indians.

SEMO handled Eastern pitcher Amanda Perjenski well, pounding out 12 hits.

While Eastern committed three errors in the second game, the Panthers only had one in the first — although a costly one, as it led to all four runs in for the Indians in the fourth inning.

Perjenski took the loss as she pitched a complete game.

Panther second baseman Julie Fonda paced the team with her 2-for-3 performance in the first game. She also drove in both Eastern runs.

The Panthers now turn around for a Saturday doubleheader at home against Tennessee-Martin. First pitch is at 2 p.m.

Softball Game 1

EIU	2
SEMO	5

Softball Game 2

EIU	2
SEMO	3

Let the OVC season begin

Panther tennis open conference play vs. Eastern Kentucky

By Gabe Rosen
Staff writer

Confidence won't be a problem for both the men's and women's tennis teams when they begin Ohio Valley Conference play today at 2:30 p.m. with home matches against Eastern Kentucky.

Both the men and the women have been playing well of late and are hoping that the momentum and confidence gained from this past week will translate into conference victories.

The men are coming off of consecutive home victories over UIC, Western Illinois and Bradley this past week and are beginning to put it together, head coach Marla Reid said.

"The guys are playing mentally and physically with more consistency," she said. "Hopefully we've gained some confidence and it will carry over into conference play, but everybody's got to step up."

Reid has been stressing the importance of conference play all season long for both the men and the women.

A strong conference record will translate into a higher seeding in the postseason tournament for the Panthers. Right now the men stand at 7-10 on the season while the women are 7-5.

Last fall, the Panther men took on Eastern Kentucky in a tournament format and were victorious. But that was last fall and the Panthers know this time it will be a dogfight.

"Both the men and the women of Eastern Kentucky are strong, consistent and hungry," Reid said. "It's going to be a heated battle."

On the women's side, things are also going well as the women are coming off of a home victory against Belmont on Wednesday as well as a 9-0 thrashing of Bradley on Tuesday.

"With each match, the women are getting stronger," Reid said. "They are getting more balls in play and gaining confidence."

According to Reid, the team will need contributions from everyone in order to have success in conference play.

"Everybody's relying on everyone to pick it up," Reid said.

Eastern junior Rachael Wright has certainly picked it up this season as she is undefeated so far and teammates Adeline Khaw and Linda Stakic have been impressive early on as well.

Reid is hoping the recent match experience will help this young Panther team which features three freshman and a sophomore.

"Competition is different than practice," Reid said. "The more you experience game situations, the more experience you can draw from. Whatever diversity you go through, that's what makes you a better player."

The Panthers are hoping that freshman standout Linda Stakic's sore foot will heal in



Chad Merda / Staff photographer

Freshman Andy Baker returned a ball in the Panther's win over Bradley Tuesday. Eastern takes on Eastern Kentucky today in its first OVC meet of the season.

time for her to play against Eastern Kentucky.

"It's looking hopeful. I'm just taking it day by day," Stakic said.

The freshman is looking for a good effort

from the women, who will also play another

conference rival in Murray State on Saturday.

"We're going to be playing our best and giving it our all," Stakic said.

He said it ...

“If that's all we've got is a bunch of talkers, it doesn't mean anything. We have to have guys that can back it up with actions and we don't have enough of them.”



Head football coach Bob Spoo addresses his concern about how the team needs to perform like it tells everyone it can.

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All hail to the almighty dollar

They have finally done it. Corporate America and Major League Baseball officials have finally found a way to combine baseball, the national pastime, with the exploitation of sports and athletes — the nation's new favorite pastime.

In one of the worst moves in baseball since the White Sox traded Sammy Sosa for George Bell, the former national pastime is talking to potential sponsors about putting corporate logos on 1-to 1-and-a-half inch square patches to be placed “tastefully” on the sleeves of team's jerseys.

Mix this with the addition of advertisements placed behind home plate for the first time and, Whala! There it is ladies and gentlemen, capitalism at its finest.

If the league decides to go through with the proposed idea, there will be no escape from advertisements. Every pitch, every deep fly ball, every close up of a player shown on television will in some way be advertising something.

Baseball players are well on their way to becoming the walking billboards that NASCAR drivers are. The only difference —



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MLB will not sell advertisements to alcohol, tobacco and media companies.

At least baseball is showing a touch of class by not making us stare at logos of cigarettes, snuff and second-rate beer that keeps NASCAR's loyal fans of the south happy.

"This is about trying to find creative ways to bring valuable partners into baseball," said Tim Brosnan, baseball's senior vice president of domestic and international properties.

Translation: We want more money.

Talks are still in the early stages of development and Brosnan said a final decision depends “on when things gel.”

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Former Cronic Itch member returns to Charleston next weekend with a new band and a new lease on pop rock.

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Sign This!

an astrological forecast for the weekend



Your ill-fated destiny as provided by part time astrologists Christy Kilgore and Dan Ochwat



ARIES Mar. 21-April 19
You will find financial gain by putting all of your faith and scholarship money into the hands of a young stockbroker with a magical harelip. His name is Klaus and will triple your money to spend on the new Cher single.

TAURUS April 20-May 20
Your bull-headed personality is causing problems in your love life. Maybe you should have listened to your mom when she told you not to get horns surgically attached to your head.

GEMINI May 21-June 21
It's Easter and you have no one to share dinner with because Eastern doesn't get Friday off. Don't fret, a wonderful Easter Bunny will drop off a Swanson's Salisbury Steak and a 10 pack of Ramen noodles from Wilb Walker's for \$1. Who needs family when you have Ramen?

CANCER June 22-July 22
Forget the \$102 million Big Game Lotto, the odds are not with you. This is not a week for financial gain. The odds are better for a one legged man completing a game of hopscotch, or a man with no arms beating Mark Spitz in the butterfly.

LEO July 23-Aug. 22
Leos are known for their wild and impulsive behavior, so go crazy this weekend. When you go bowling at the Union don't wear socks with your rental shoes. You wild person you!

VIRGO Aug. 23-Sept. 22
In your former life you were royalty, ruling over massive kingdoms with hundreds of peasants there to serve you. Well, that was then and this is now. Get over the power trip and stop making people kiss your hand when you meet them. It's spreading germs.

LIBRA Sept. 23-Oct. 23
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power pop band redefines edgy

by **alice hosty**
Associate Verge editor

When David Caughran played lead guitar for Chronic Itch as a student at Eastern, the group enjoyed success and popularity in many college towns, including Charleston, Chicago, South Bend, IN, and Toledo, OH, thanks to a large fan base of students who loved to listen to their sugar coated pop music.

After his graduation from Eastern in May of 1998 and the break up of the group, Caughran turned to former classmates at Shelbyville High School Josh Jones, Scott Beck and Tim McConnell to live out his passion for music.

Since then, Caughran and his "Eleven Days" bandmates – with the exception of the 11 days McConnell lived in Arizona that earned the band their name – have been touring all over Illinois with their edgy brand of pop rock, including an upcoming appearance next weekend at Marty's to promote their debut CD "Where I Used To Go."

"We're doing everything we can to get our music out there," Caughran said. "Every place we have played in wants us back."



Thanks to a lot of good friends and state-wide radio play, Caughran said they've had to order more CD's since selling almost all of the 300 they first released.

"Our music seems to be real popular in the Charleston area. We've gotten air play of local radio stations like 92.7 in Springfield and 89.9 in Mattoon," Caughran said. "Right now we're shopping around for a record deal and we hope we have something soon. Things are going real well for us."

Caughran's combination of blues and rock

"Chronic Itch was more happy stuff," "Eleven Days is not as flaky. (Our style) is modern with more of a punch behind it."

-David Caughran, former Chronic Itch guitarist

more serious tone.

"Chronic Itch was more happy stuff," Caughran said. "Eleven Days is not as flaky. (Our style) is modern with more of a punch behind it."

Despite the differences, Caughran said the band's new style still rocks with melodic riffs and the combination of Jones's heartfelt lyrics and a driving rhythm section that includes Beck on the drums and McConnell on the bass guitar.

"We have a real unique sound," McConnell said. "Our style is totally different from Chronic Itch so I'm not worried about trying to live up to them."

But Caughran said Chronic Itch fans don't need to worry.

"I think Chronic Itch fans will still enjoy the music," Caughran said. "It's not too far to the left or the right from what I used to play. We did a show at Marty's last month and played for a pretty diverse crowd. It was a really fun show and I look forward to the next one."

Eleven Days will once again take the stage at 9:30 p.m. April 9 at Marty's Tavern, 1666 4th St.

"Where I Used To Go" is available at Positively 4th St. Records or at the website, www.elevendays.iuma.com.

Ebony and Ivory steps up to unity among Greeks

by **Jessica sedgwick**
Verge editor

The stompin', steppin', hand-clappin', knee-slappin' raw energy of 11 sororities and fraternities will crash – hopefully not literally – the University Grand Ballroom stage Tuesday during the 4th annual Ebony and Ivory Step Show.

This step show is the only opportunity during the school year for members of the Black Greek Council and Panhellenic Greek Council to put on a production together. According to Chapelle Monique Berry, vice president of Zeta Phi Beta sorority and choreographer, this is one of the annual events her sorority looks forward to because they get to bring sororities a taste of something different.

"They're pickin' up the steps pretty quick," said Berry, a senior special education major.

Zeta Phi Beta Sorority will be steppin' along with Kappa Delta and Tri Sigma sororities. The three groups have been working hard for the past month synchronizing their steps.

Rebecca Penio, a sophomore elementary major and Kappa Delta sorority member, said she's

gotten to experience more than just a new forming of dancing.

"One of our practices was pretty cool because we ended up talking the whole time about the differences between black and white sororities," Penio said. "So it's not just like we're dancing. We're also getting to know them."

Penio said learning the steps was a challenge, but an important one because she wants to perform well.

"It was hard because I'm not used to the coordination that they have," Penio said. "(Our sorority) didn't want to mess up because we wanted to impress them. We don't want to be bad for them."

Berry, along with fellow member Nicole Beck, has even taken the initiative to choreograph a dance for the performance to the hip-hop jam "Rosa Parks" by Outkast.

Two other groups of sororities that will be steppin' together are the group of Sigma Gamma Rho, Sigma Kappa and Alpha Phi sororities, and the Alpha Sigma Alpha, Delta Sigma Pheta and Alpha Gamma Delta sororities.

Tuesday's audience also can see the men of Alpha Phi Alpha and Sigma Phi Epsilon take the stage.

Jeffrey Price, senior journalism major and Alpha Psi Alpha frater-



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Members of Alpha Psi Alpha and Sigma Phi Epsilon fraternities break down their 'steps' for the fourth annual Ebony and Ivory Step Show.

nity member, said he wanted to be a part of the Ebony and Ivory Step Show because he wanted to promote multi-culturalism between fraternities. However, Price said there is a reason that an event only happens once a year on this campus.

"There's a lack of communication and there's fear," Price said.

"That's on both sides."

Price said it's harder to get involvement from one group than it is from another.

"It's not hard to get the white Greeks to participate in the Ebony and Ivory step show. The hardest part is getting the black Greeks to participate," Price said. "Black Greeks always complain that black

Greek life is suffering on EIU's campus, but I never see anyone trying to change it. For black Greeks, by not steppin' in it, you're hurting the chances of building your own fraternity's and sorority's reputation."

Penio attributes the lack of involvement between members of Black Greek Council and Panhellenic Greek Council to the fewer number of members in Black Greek Council fraternities and sororities.

"They just don't have the numbers to do stuff," Penio said. "As for other events, this is the one real attempt to do something together. Everything else is PGC and BGC."

Though this is the only production that brings both groups together, the steppers are making the most of it.

Price said, "I feel like I'm becoming friends with them. We usually laugh a lot during practice, but we take it serious, too. I mean, (the members of Sigma Phi Epsilon fraternity) pick up the steps better than I do."

The show will begin at 7 p.m. Tuesday in the University Grand Ballroom of the Martin Luther King Jr. Union. Tickets are \$5.



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Trio from down under bottoms out

Shallow lyrics and mellow orchestra sounds amount to a nightmare of badly captured naivete from Australian rockers

by sean stangland
Staff writer

Calling Silverchair frontman Daniel Johns the worst songwriter in modern popular music would not be very questionable. His lyrics rarely make any sense, and even if they do, the message being conveyed almost always seems trite and silly. But at least he can play guitar.

"Neon Ballroom" is the latest release from the Australian trio, and here they revamp their grunge sound and try some intriguing orchestral arrangements and some quieter, more subdued material. The result sounds technically perfect – an atmospheric blend of guitar heroism and rock opera. Of course, those pesky lyrics still pose a problem.

The first single, "Anthem for the Year 2000," has a clear topic: it hopes to spur a youth rebellion or backlash for the new millennium – an obvious song to hear from the barely-20-somethings that make up this band. But, of course, the guitar riffs are hard and huge, and Johns throws his screaming voice into the song with a great deal of gusto. But this song, like most every song on the album, feels devoid of any sincerity or purpose.

Many of Johns' words here are

so mind-numbingly stupid that one might contract a nosebleed just by thinking about them for too long. Consider this bit of wisdom from the song "Do You Feel the Same" – "Could I be read/If I was see-through/Or would you just read my spine." Huh?

Even worse is this bit from the mindless (yet undeniably catchy) "Point of View" – "Pretend the steak's a cowboy/And the kiss will kill you." I hope reading that does not give you nightmares.

But the album sinks to its deepest point of mediocrity in "Spawn Again," a song that not only has asinine lyrics, but tries to put them to good use in a song about the cruelty of animal testing. This subject may be powerful or socially relevant if handled by a more competent songwriter, but when shuffled in among Johns' weepy love songs and angry youth ranting, it just seems silly. It doesn't help that the musical content of the song itself is reduced to a bass line with Johns performing an almost spoken word delivery of the lyrics. If any song on this album deserves to feel the wrath of the skip button, it's this one.

But the album isn't all bad. For every Nirvana rip-off like "Satin Sheets," there's also a surprisingly well-produced tune like "Dearest

Helpless" or "Ana's Song (Open Fire)." The album's highlight is the first track, a bit of classic rock posturing called "Emotion Sickness" that delivers a solid guitar line, interesting vocals and (best of all) the piano playing of David Helfgott, the eccentric whose life was the basis for the critically-acclaimed 1996 film "Shine." Throw in a full orchestra and you get one wholly satisfying rock song; one that succeeds despite its frivolous nature.

There also happens to be halfway-decent love songs here like "Black Tangled Heart" and "Miss You Love" – an impressive feat considering he band has failed to deliver such a thing on its two previous efforts, "Frogstomp" and "Freak Show." Yet "Neon Ballroom" clearly stands as the band's worst album, one that experiments a little too much and shows nothing in the way of personal growth on Daniel Johns' part. Had "Neon Ballroom" been the band's first album, perhaps I could give it a higher mark. But it's not, so I can't.

If one thing can be said for Johns, at least he didn't use the phrase "cold sore cream" on this album – words that, curiously enough, found their way onto "Freak Show" twice. It is also worth noting that the band has



not changed their sound to fit the current trends of popular music. There's no rapping here, no overt electronic samples, and nothing that remotely sounds like Third Eye Blind or Matchbox 20. Instead, there's a whole lot of violins and cellos.

"Neon Ballroom" will be a decent addition to the CD libraries of Silverchair fans, but I can't imagine that anyone else

would have a real fondness for it. Like the other Silverchair albums, it basically consists of a lot of sound of fury that signifies nothing. Maybe next time Johns can get over being young.

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No boundaries for 'The Living End'

Australian trio releases riff-driven tunes with their second 'furiously rockin' ride' of an album

by jaime hodge
Staff writer

In 1998, the Living End unleashed a fueled-up, furiously rockin' ride of guitar solos, slappin' upright bass and drum bits that moved the songs along at a rate that barely left you time to inhale.

One year later, the band is celebrating the release of its new, self-titled album and somewhat modest airplay on MTV of its video for the single "Prisoner of Society." The tune is riff-driven and slickly produced, as is the rest of the new album, and it recaptures the driving rock feel of the band's earlier efforts. But who are these guys?

The trio of twenty-somethings hails from Australia, and this is their first effort into the rock mainstream. The group fuses the slapping thump of Scott Owen's upright bass with sizzingly hot guitar and Travis Demsey's riveting drum background to make for a pretty solid punk combination.

As for their new album, my discman has chewed up and spit out more batteries than I'm becoming able to spend money on, and my fellow newspaper workers have begun hinting about the joys of headphones. But it's addictive. The songs are fast and energizing, lifting you on a dynamite ride of attitude and fast-flying riffs.

The disc kicks off with the aforementioned single, "Prisoner of Society," and doesn't let up for a minute. The vocals are tight and pull you into the workings of the music, including the formidably fleet fingers of guitarist Chris Cheney, who is the main source of inspiration for the band's music.

Cheney, who has been playing guitar since he was 6 years old, warps his musical influences of the Stray Cats and the Clash into a more punk/rockabilly sound.

From there, the disc traverses into another quick punk number, "Growing



The Living End's newest release leaves little opportunity to inhale. picture courtesy of "The Living End"

Up (Falling Down)". The chorus is my favorite part of this streamlined number because of its effortless combination of all three band members' vocal talents, and Cheney's clenching guitar surges the song's rhythm at an ear-popping

high.

But this is the high that doesn't go away, kids. Track three, "Second Solution," propels into another slick guitar-opening howl and a resounding "Oi" for the punk fans. The pulse never relaxes – it grabs you by the wrist and throws you into the punching beat.

And the rest of the disc doesn't give you a second to breathe, so take a deep lungful of air and plunge yourself into a torrent of fine, fine music. Check out such notable tracks as "Monday," the bouncing "Save the Day," "Trapped" (the band's dabble in using a minor horn section as back-up), the rockabilly-esque "Fly Away" and the previously released track, "Strange."

The latter was also on the disc "Hellbound," currently available as a double disc set with "It's For Your Own Good." The two were released in 1996 and 1997, respectively, and were re-released as a set in 1998.

But in the new version, Cheney shakes a smirking finger at artistic freedom and restructures the swinging solo, building up a little tension until he enters into the third chorus. It adds a bit of anticipation; a little leaning forward in the chair until you hear those words and can punch your fist in the air.

The Living End is the future of punk and rock entwined into three very talented and creative young men. Their new album is one of the finest recent rock albums I have ever heard and deserves a round on those neat little "try 'em, then buy 'em" stations so many music stores now feature. Take a swig of the Living End – it's a musical menu of rollickin' good tunes you'll relish longer than Britney Spears.

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veterans play his fellow jurists: Robert Prosky (chief justice), Harry Belafonte, Ray Walston, James Whitmore, Milo O'Shea, Kate Nelligan, Bob Balaban. "Swing Vote" takes place in a period of national turmoil as the anti-abortion and pro-choice forces demonstrate noisily, attempting to sway the judges' minds. There is much give and take inside the high court's chambers, and the scripted decision is not likely to please either side of this fiery issue. Ron Bass, whose credits include "My Best Friend's Wedding" and

"Waiting to Exhale," wrote the teleplay. Garcia, who hasn't done television since his years as a bit player in series like "Hill Street Blues," told how he became connected with "Swing Vote." "I was sent the script by ABC, Columbia TriStar and (producer) Jerry Bruckheimer. My agent said it was for television, and I said, 'I don't care. If it's a great script and I'm compelled to do it, I'll do it.'" "I read it, and I thought, 'How can you not want to be involved in a piece like this?' Even simply on an action level, the character

has a great arc; he has an enormous burden on his shoulders." Garcia, who also served as co-executive producer, describes himself as "a lifer" in the abortion debate. But he adds, "I also believe that you can't impose your own beliefs on other people; that's not the way our constitution reads. In protecting the rights of one side, you deprive the rights of the other." The decision the movie's Supreme Court reaches, he said, "is not that far away from what our current laws are." Garcia, who will be 43 when "Swing Vote" appears, and who

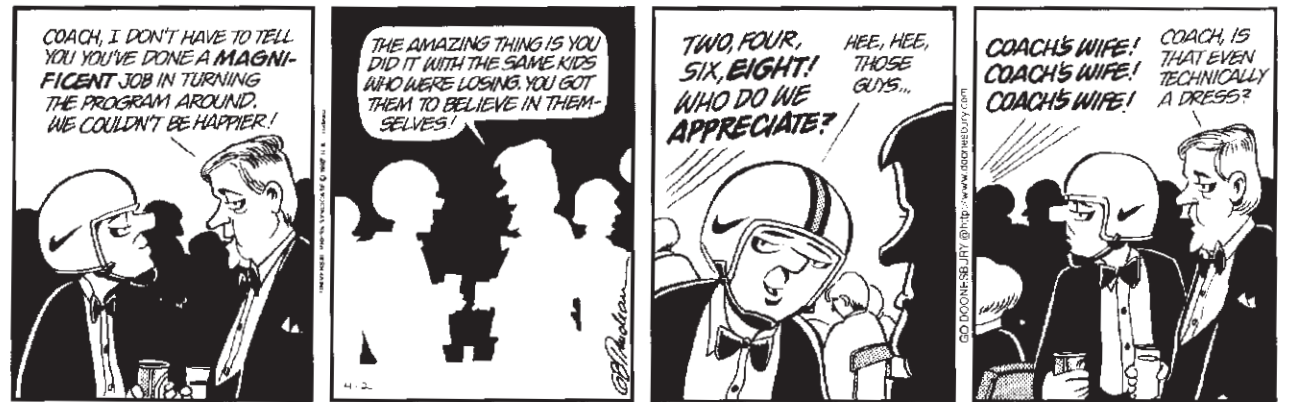
has three daughters, said his feelings on the issue have crystallized since he became a father. Those beliefs are strictly personal, he insisted: "I don't have any political feelings. To me, that's all a political game. ... In these days, our political process is not something we can be very proud of." What does Garcia hope will come from "Swing Vote"? "I hope it breeds compassion for the other side's opinion, and fairness," he replied. "And I hope it sheds some light on the conviction of my character at the end."

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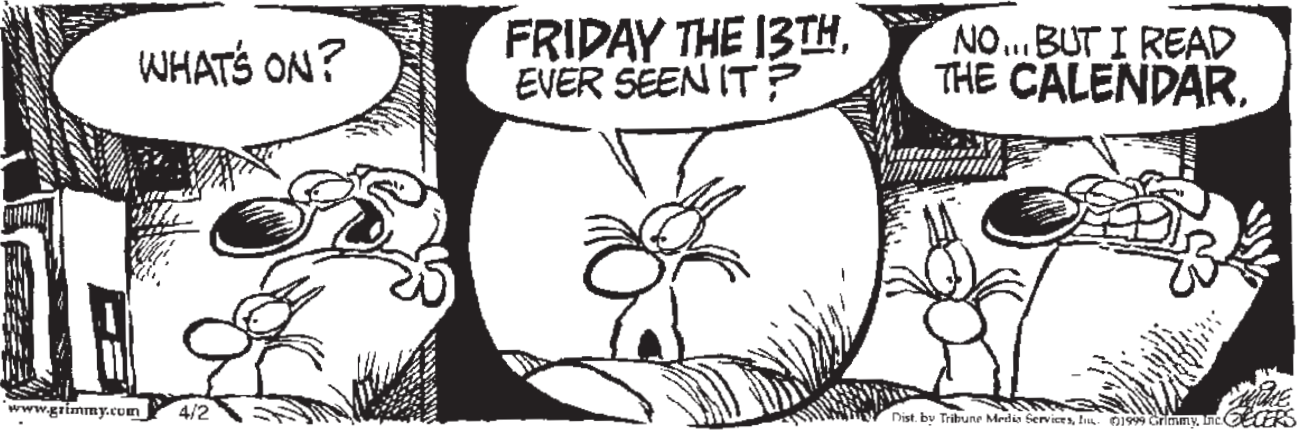
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The final deadline for dropping a class or withdrawing from the University is Friday, April 2--TODAY. The student will receive either a "WP" or a "WF" at the discretion of the instructor of the class. Be sure to call in on the Touch-Tone Registration System at least 15 minutes before closing time. --Michael Taylor, Registrar

FINAL EXAM CHANGES.

Students who have three final examinations scheduled for one day may change the date of one of the final examinations with the approval of the INSTRUCTOR. Requests for changes for medical or personal emergencies may also be considered. In cases not resolved between the student and the instructor, the Dean, Enrollment Management, Room 116 Old Main, will seek resolution. Students are discouraged from requesting instructors to deviate from the published examination schedule. Reasons of personal convenience such as work, transportation arrangements or vacation plans, do not constitute grounds for approval of examination change requests. --Frank Hohengarten, Dean of Enrollment Management

PERKINS/NDSL BORROWERS.

If you are graduating or do not plan to be at least a half-time student at EIU next Semester, it is mandatory to complete an exit interview. Failure to do so will result in a COMPLETE HOLD being placed on your University record. Interviews will be held in the office of Student Accounts, south side, Old Main, Cashier's entrance on

April 13, 14, 21 and 22. Call 217-581-3715 to schedule your exit interview appointment. --Laura Gesell, Collections Specialist III

ASEP PRE-TEACHING MEETING.

Students in the Alternative Secondary Education Program (ASEP) who are planning to student teach in Fall 1999 are invited to an information meeting on Tuesday, April 13 at 4 p.m. in Buzzard 2440 or Wednesday, April 14 at 5 p.m. in Buzzard 2160. Students may count this meeting in place of the first SED 4000 meeting in the fall. --Audrey Edwards, ASEP Director

SUMMER '99 TEST REGISTRATION.

Writing Competency (Fee -- \$18)	DATE	TIME	REGISTRATION
	July 17	9 a.m.	

Registration for the Writing Competency Exam will be held through April 30 at the registration table in Blair Hall located in the center of the hall on the first floor between 11 a.m. and 2 p.m., Monday through Friday. No registration will take place during Finals (May 3-7). Beginning May 10, registration will be in the Academic Testing and Assessment Office, 202 Student Services Building, from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday. Registration will end July 9 or when all seats are filled.

Constitution And Health (Fee -- \$2)	DATE	TIME	REGISTRATION
(See registration information below)	June 16	10 a.m.	Begins April 22
TAP (Fee -- \$15)	DATE	TIME	REGISTRATION
(See registration information below)	June 19	8:30 a.m.	Begins April 19

NOTE: NO REGISTRATION WILL BE ACCEPTED DURING THE SEVEN DAYS BEFORE ANY EXAM

A picture ID (driver's license preferred) is required for registration. The test fee can be billed to your University Student Account.

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Registration Information
Register from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday at the Academic Testing and Assessment Office, 202 Student Services Building
Seating is limited on all tests. Register early to assure a seat.

UNIVERSITY ADMISSION TO TEACHER EDUCATION MEETING.

Students must attend a meeting to formally apply for University Admission to Teacher Education and to initiate the selection process. The College of Education and Professional Studies schedules meetings each semester. The required formal application form is distributed and collected at the meetings and the rules and regulations concerning selection, and admission to and retention in teacher education are explained. Students who have not previously applied must attend a meeting. The following meetings are available Spring Semester 1999 to initiate the selection process: Tuesday, April 6 from 2-2:50 p.m. and Thursday, April 22 from 6-6:50 p.m. All meetings are held in 1501 Buzzard Hall Auditorium. The next opportunity to initiate the Selection Process and apply for University Admission to Teacher Education will be during the Fall Semester 1999. --Douglas Bower, Associate Dean for the College of Education and Professional Studies

Good grooves

Black Entertainment Television compellation lets the unique talents of diverse artist shine

by james langton
staff writer

"BET, Best of Planet Groove," is a compilation of 15 tracks featuring an unusual collection of artists. From Janet Jackson to Master P, this album showcases a wide variety of hip hop and R&B.

Janet Jackson kicks off the CD with her upbeat "I Get Lonely." "Breakdown," a Sean "Puffy" Combs production of Mariah Carey featuring Krazy Bone and Wish Bone, flows together surprisingly well, but sounds more like a Bone Thugs track featuring Mariah Carey.

Erykah Badu takes the CD to another level with a rare, live version of her bluesy song "Tyrone."

The collaboration of musicians from different areas of the hip-hop industry is what gives this CD its unique sound. Montell Jordan's "Let's Ride," featuring Master P and Silkk The Shocker brings some harder lyrics to the R&B sound and breaks through the barriers that separate music into categories.

"It's All About Me," by Mya featuring Sisqo and "Rain," by SWV are two slow jams that have strong enough rhythms and vocals to make up for their redundant lyrics. Unfortunately, the rest of the slow jams on the



CD do not.

Songs like "The Arms of the One Who Loves You," by Xscape and "A Song for Mama," by Boyz II Men have lyrics that seem recycled from old love ballads and the tired sounds behind the lyrics don't belong on a CD full of innovative music and new ideas.

Brian McKnight's "Anytime" is an exception. Although the sound is nothing new, McKnight sets a relaxing mood like no one else can.

The only collaboration that doesn't work is Mary J. Blige Featuring Lil' Kim on "I Can Love You." Blige's voice is as soothing as always, but the song mixes together two styles that conflict and the track feels confused and crowded.

various artists
"The Best of Planet Groove"
Virgin Records
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Metaphors and images the focus of local artist's display

by chris olandese
Staff writer

The Charleston Cityarts Gallery will present an exhibition of prismacolor pencil drawings Sunday by Lake Land College Art Professor Faith Heller.

The exhibition will be presented in the gallery, which is in the lobby of Charleston's City Hall building.

Heller's drawings reflect her deep concern for ecology, and depict endangered and protected animal and plant species juxtaposed with human beings, according to a press release.

"These images serve as metaphors for our interdependence with nature for both the physical and spiritual continuation of life on earth," Heller said.

Heller uses prismacolor pencils, which when used properly, create a look very similar to oil paints.

"Prismacolor pencils are color pencils with a waxy composition which allows you to blend colors like paint," Heller said.

Heller moved to Charleston last August from North Carolina where her work was

displayed in numerous group, invitational and one-woman shows. Heller has taught studio art and art history for 23 years.

Heller was also the Art Critic for the Winston-Salem Journal for 10 years and has since published articles in various professional art journals.

Heller received her background in art at the School of Visual Arts and Pratt Institute in New York, where she studied with such renowned contemporary artists and art historians as Audrey Flack, Joseph Raffael and Lucy Lippard.

The exhibition of Heller's metaphoric drawings runs Sunday through April 29.

The Charleston Cityarts Gallery is at 520 Jackson Street and might be the only art gallery around here that is open to viewers all day and all night.

"It is open all the time, which is surprising. I even called to make sure myself," Heller added.

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