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CAMPUS | STUDENT GOVERNMENT

Anderson vetoes textbook rental fee

Student body president says information needed on proposal

By Matt HopfStudent Government Reporter

A proposed \$1 increase per credit hour to the textbook rental fee that passed at the March 28 Student Senate meeting has been vetoed.

The proposed increase would

raise the fee to \$8.95 per credit hour from the current rate of \$7.95 per credit hour. Student Body President Sean Anderson vetoed the recommendation because he didn't believe there was enough information provided.

In the executive order containing the veto, Anderson said the fiscal year budgets for 2007 and the projected 2008 budget were never presented.

The increase would generate about \$284,000, Anderson said.

STUDENT SENATE MEETINGS

Student Senate meets at 7 p.m. every Wednesday in the Arcola-Tuscola Room in the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union.

About \$200,000 of the money generated would go toward textbooks alone.

With minimum wage increasing

this summer, staff money will be needed to pay for the student salaries. However, it was never presented how many students are employed or much is needed to cover the raise, Anderson said.

A part of the Textbook Rental budget rolls over every year and totals \$700,000, Anderson said.

"(Student Government's) job is to find if that \$1 amount is needed," Anderson said.

The senate may override the veto with a two-third vote.

"I hope the senate overrides me after the information is given," Anderson said.

Student Senate Speaker Jeff Lange expects the veto to be challenged, but can't really say if it will be overridden. The proposal originally passed 27-1, with two abstentions.

Carol Miller, deputy director of the Textbook Rental Service, could not be reached for comment.

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CAMPUS | WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH



JAY GRABIEC | THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

Krista Colt, a senior communications major, describes to the audience what it was like to play her part as Elizabeth Cady Stanton during Living History performances for Charleston and Ashmore elementary schools during the Women's Studies Program Awards Reception at the Tarble Arts Center Atrium on Tuesday evening.

Kaufman, Hood honored with achievement award

Women's studies program celebrated accomplishments of women during ceremony

By Meagan Morgan

Staff Reporter

Each year the nation celebrates the achievements of women throughout history. And each year the Women's Studies Program awards a few of those women who contributed to Eastern.

Pam Hood and Sue Kaufman were both honored with the 2007 Women of Achievement award.

This year the message of the

reception was "Celebration," but not once a month or once a year – every day.

Women's History Month ended this year with the recognition of several women at the Women's Studies Program Awards Reception Tuesday night in the Tarble Arts Center Atrium.

The Women's Studies Program presented Pam Hood with the 2007 Women of Achievement award.

Hood said she was pleased, surprised, honored and very humbled.

She was honored for starting a parenthood program called Oh Baby. The classes, provided by Sarah Bush Lincoln Health Center since 2000, teach infant CPR and provide a handbook for expecting mothers.

She stressed the importance of childbirth and infant care through humor.

"We don't just educate, we entertain," she said.

She also started a program called Birth Companions, where carefully selected students are paired with expecting mothers.

She also opened Second Nature in 2001, a store that provides difficult-to-find items for new mothers, and started Warm Line, where breast-feeding women call a free pager number for help and advice from Hood.

Hood travels to different schools and youth groups to teach students the importance of parenthood classes, childbirth and infant care.

Hood started at Sarah Bush in 1998 and has been a breast-feeding advocate for 25 years. She is a full time faculty member at Eastern and has worked in nursing education with the Lakeview College of Nursing since 2004.

Kaufman is described as a doer, not a receiver.

With her long list of accomplishments, Kaufman credits everyone she worked with over the years with her success.

"I'm honored, very grateful, very happy and very humbled," Kaufman said. "It takes a number of individuals who have a passion to change things."

Kaufman became a part of Eastern in 1986 using her professional background in both print and broadcast news.

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CHARLESTON | CITY COUNCIL

Still no vote on lakefront properties

Council: 2009 is too far away to make a decision on the issue

By Stephen Di Benedetto

Senior City Reporter

City Council member Jim Dunn would be the only member to vote to renew the leases of the properties around Lake Charleston if the Council were to vote on the issue.

At Tuesday night's meeting, the council held a discussion on the properties of Lake Charleston.

In 1992, the council voted to set all of the leases to expire in 2009 and to include in those leases a provision that stated the leases would not be renewed.

That means after 2009, the tenants of the properties would have to leave the area.

Each council member expressed individual stances on the issue during the discussion, but a vote was not taken.

Mayor John Inyart said tenants of the Lake Charleston property wanted to get the council's stance on the issue and that was one of the reasons why the council decided to address the issue at the meeting.

"I just felt we could work with the (residents) that are there and tune-up the leases that are in place," Dunn said. "That they could coexist with anything else that we might want to do in the future as far as recreational use."

Inyart formed a committee and held a public hearing in front of the Board of Zoning and Appeals after the tenants came to him a year

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Frats elect new leaders

By Stacy Smith Greek Life Reporter

Starting April 24, Scott Eichberger will be replacing Mike Nowak as president of the Interfraternity Council executive

Some of his future goals include having all chapters utilize oncampus resources, build attendance at events and programs, and accommodate each chapter house with a faculty adviser.

The IFC had nine positions available and more than 17 candidates applied for the positions.

Elections were held from on Tuesday in the Arcola-Tuscola Room of the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union.

Delegates were chosen by members of their fraternity house to elect candidates for the executive board.

The election began with delegates reviewing candidates' applications for each individual position desired.

After the applications were reviewed, the candidate had three minutes to discuss why they should be chosen for the position.

Then the delegates were given the opportunity to ask candidates questions.

Some men dropped out of the election if they didn't receive their desired position, but others kept

Although each position has unique responsibilities, candidates choose their desired positions based on individual talents, interests and academic majors.

The IFC is a local council of national fraternities that governs all the national fraternities in that association, said Bob Dudolski, director of Greek Life.

Each executive position varies on the number of leadership hours, usually 20 to 25 hours are spent a week organizing meetings and events and mentoring chapter houses.

For instance, Joe Zoubek, vice president of recruitment and retention for IFC, worked hard to

NEW INTERFRATERNITY COUNCIL EXECUTIVE BOARD

»President: Scott Eichberger, sophomore pre-chiropractic major, Lambda Chi Alpha »Vice President Internal: Kevin Pavloski, sophomore sports management major, Sigma Nu

»V.P. Standards: Jarryd Stalling, junior marketing major, Sigma Phi Epsilon

»V.P. Recruitment and Retention: Dirk Bennett, freshman business major, Lamdba

»V.P. Membership Development: Nick Krizic, junior business administration major, Sigma Nu

»V.P. Risk Management: Matt Toren, sophomore marketing major, Delta Tau Delta

»V.P. Public Relations: Richard Guerra, freshman corporate communications major, Pi

»V.P. Community Relations: Jeff Traub, junior finance major, Lambda Chi Alpha

»V.P. Administrative Affairs: Carl Erd, senior management major, Delta Sigma Phi

improve recruitment techniques for each interfraternity chapter.

Instead of recruiting members during open house week, also known as rush week, Zoubek decided chapters should have a formal recruitment by physically going out and recruiting men.

"I call this the friendship model, where fraternities go out and meet men at different events," Zoubek said.

The friendship model is a fivestep process, he said.

The first step is for members to go out and meet new men and try to make new friends.

They then introduce them to their friends in the chapter and inform the potential members about the fraternity.

Finally, the new men are asked to join.

"This way, instead of recruiting strangers during rush week, it gives fraternity members the opportunity to meet men and make new friends," Zoubek said.

Each year, the local council elects their individual executive board to lead their national policy structure of their association.

Those elected into the executive board govern the Greek Community and set visions and the direction of the community, Dudolski said.

"It is important to have qualified leaders take on this visionary role to ensure the strength and consistency for the community as well as for the University," he said. "The individual

is able to gain great leadership skills through these positions."

Nowak said he learned more about himself in the last two years being president of IFC than he had expected.

"I learned how to be patient," he said. "I learned how to communicate better. I learned how to listen to other people. I learned how to work with different kinds of people. There is so much I learned that I never thought I would."

Although the process is the same as in previous years, there are minor improvements that could be made by the executive board.

"The only thing I would recommend would be for anyone elected to be reminded that they are representatives for the entire community and not just their individual fraternity or sorority," Dudolski said.

Dudolski and his graduate staff help advise members of the executive board and help declare decisions and programs.

"The exec board serves as a compass," Nowak said. "It helps guide chapters into making decisions and bettering themselves.

Dudolski said he would recommend Greek members to become a chapter delegate or hold an appointed cabinet position to gain experience before receiving an elected executive board position.

Panhellenic elections will be at 5 tonight in the Arcola-Tuscola Room of the union.

World lacks knowledge of China

By Kevin Kenealy

Richard Nixon did something right.

He opened the door for China, a country that was closed off, said Xaiso Yang, a professor at the City College of Chicago.

He spoke at the Lumpkin Hall Auditorium Tuesday night on China as a rapidly changing country and how the rest of the world should respond to China's changes.

"It was President Richard Nixon that opened the door for China," Yang said. "In 1971 China joined the U.N. and established diplomatic relations with other countries. Before that visit, China was pretty much closed."

China, a communist country that operates under a free economy, is one that he contributes its growing economic prosperity to a number of reasons that includes former President Richard Nixon and Hong Kong as a commercial world trade center.

China's college enrollment has been up 230 percent over the last five years.

The country's economic gross

percent annually over the last 28 years and is expected to continue.

Hong Kong serves as a bridge, Yang said, as Americans will trust Hong Kong, but not communist China.

The major question of when China would convert to democracy was asked at the end of Yang's onehour speech. But unlike what many may believe, Yang asserted that Chinese communism is not so far from democratic ideas.

Decision making is their socalled democracy ... decisions they make are based on the decisions of the whole country's needs or requests," he said.

Like the United State's checks and balances system, Yang said China has a similar system in place

In part, based off China's high regard for their elders, Chinese retired officials remain powerful even after they're out of their position.

"The older generation of leaders are out of their position, but they are not out of power," Yang said. "They are over-the-shoulder watching the current leader's performance.

domestic product has grown 9 And sometimes if they really think you are crazy, these older leaders could get together and make the conclusion to kick you away."

Yang believed one of the most important issues is the lack of knowledge the rest of the world has about China.

Yang watched college students from around the United States in a Chinese-speaking contest not long before the Tuesday's lecture. He went on to mention everyone should have some background in the Chinese language.

This is something that Jinhee Lee, assistant professor of Modern East Asia history at Eastern, believes is coming along better at the university.

"I don't think it would take very long (to integrate Asian influence)," Lee said. "As they begin to be exposed to more and more events and more and more diverse student populations, I don't think it would take that long."

Students can begin to integrate Asian culture today at 3:30 with "A Taste of Asian Languages: Chinese and Japanese" in the University Ballroom in the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union.

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CAMPUS

Southern Illinois professor explains Navajo rap today

>> Anthony Webster will be speaking about Navajo rap music and poetry at 1 p.m. and 2 p.m. today in Blair Hall Room

Webster has researched the music thoroughly as a professor of anthropology at Southern Illinois University-Carbondale.

The event is sponsored by the department of sociology and anthropology.

'Full House' star to speak on methamphetamine addiction

>> Jodie Sweetin, star of the show "Full House," will talk about her life as a celebrity and her recovery from an addiction to methamphetamines at 7 tonight in the Grand Ballroom.

In an ABC News interview, Sweetin said she began to experiment with the drug after "Full House" ended in 1995.

"It would be very important from the perspective of a celebrity to speak out to all students about her drug addiction," said Emin Nabiyev, Student Life graduate assistant. "It happens to everyone, not just students."

International, study abroad students' awards Thursday

>> The annual banquet for international students and study abroad students will be held at 5:30 p.m. on Thursday at the University Ballroom.

The banquet will hand out awards to Eastern's international community. For more information, contact Sue

Songer at 581-7487.

- Marco Santana, Campus Editor

Spring Fling and Pantherstock will be held in South Quad

>> Spring Fling and Pantherstock will be held from 2 to 6 p.m. on Friday, April 13 in the South Quad.

The event is free and open to the public. For more information, call the University Board at 581-5117.

> - Beth Hackett, Senior Activities Editor

Forum on Obama's candidacy draws 120 students, faculty

>> More than 120 students and faculty attended a forum Tuesday night that talked about U.S. Sen. Barack Obama's presidential candidacy.

Kevin Anderson, assistant political science professor, said Obama's running is not about race.

Certain African-Americans have a

broader cultural impact, he said.

"It's easier to find common ground than the question of race," Anderson said. "Obama emerges as one of the few candidates who is not organically connected to civil rights.

> Kevin Murphy, Associate Sports Editor

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A trip to the beach in retiree's plans



KELLY MARIE CREMENT | THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS Assege HaileMariam, left, faculty senate chair, congratulates Marilyn Lisowski, retired elementary education professor, in the Tarble Arts Center on Tuesday.

Twenty-five faculty members honored at retirement reception

By Graham Milldrum

University Reporter

Susan Woods came to Eastern straight out of her graduate school at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign.

Woods, a health studies professor, planned on taking the open position for only a year.

Now, 31 years later, she's retiring.

She was one of 25 Eastern retirees honored at the faculty retirement reception Tuesday afternoon.

"I loved the students and the campus," she said of her many years at Eastern.

Her plans after retirement include a quick trip away from Charleston.

"Well, of course I'm going to Florida to lay on the beach," she said.

Even after retirement she plans to teach weekend classes at Eastern because she loves the students.

Her late husband was a librarian at Eastern - "We couldn't have had a better career," she said.

Veronica Stephen began teaching at Eastern in 1990 after a call asked if she wanted work.

A European immigrant, she came to Chicago as a 9-year-old with her mother.

Her mother was Russian, and Stephen was born in Germany after World War II. There was a move to France before the two of them crossed the Atlantic. Stephen speaks clear English

with no accent, something she worked hard on. "I didn't want people to make

fun of me," she said. She became a teacher because

teaching means that you are always helping people, she said.

She retired because "it was time," and plans to focus on her photography in her retirement.

Attendance was low at the reception. Of the 25 people to be honored on their retirement, only four were present.

Theturnoutwasnotsurprising, said Assege HaileMariam, who helped manage the event in her role as faculty senate chair.

Some people just want to slide out, she said. The absence of retirees is "not a sign of not being appreciative," she said.

FACULTY SENATE | ELECTIONS



JOHN BAILEY | THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

Unit B faculty to volunteer and

participate in university governance

and committees, based on

contractual matters, Unit A faculty

will be given priority consideration

on appointed positions on

faculty contributions; however,

their contributions do not enter

into their contracts, Stimac

However, Unit A faculty

volunteer in order to receive credit

as part of their contract, Stimac

The senate appreciates Unit B

University Boards and Councils."

Professor Bud Fischer questions how members of Eastern staff fill Faculty Senate approved positions on University Boards and Councils during Tuesday afternoon's senate meeting in Booth Library.

Two positions remain unfilled

Jess Kinsella

Faculty Development Reporter

The results are in.

Thomas special Sinclair, education professor, passed out the faculty election results at Tuesday's brief Faculty Senate meeting.

The senate will receive three new members and lose one.

Mazumder, Rajit history professor, was re-elected for Faculty Senate, but will be leaving for a position at Depaul University.

Two positions were not filled because of faculty members not running explicitly or there was no write-in, said John Stimac, chair associate professor of geology.

A special election will take place for a faculty member to serve on the Council on University Planning and Budget from the Lumpkin College of Business and Applied Sciences and Academic Program Review/Elimination Committee from Family and Consumer Sciences.

The election will be done the same way the original election was done, Stimac said.

FACULTY ELECTION RESULTS

» Faculty Senate

Robin Murray, Joy Russell, Ann Brownson Dawn Van Gunten, Jonathan Coit

Council appointments:

» Academic Affairs

Julie Campbell, Debra Reid, Darren Hendrickson

» Graduate Studies

David Raybin, Phil Age/Lisa Taylor (tie to be decided by coin flip)

» Teacher Education Audrey Edwards, Patricia Belleville, Donna

Lucia Schroeder

» Faculty Research Olaf Hoerschelmann, Richard Wilkinson,

A coin flip will take place to

determine a tie between Phil Age

and Lisa Taylor from the Lumpkin

College of Business and Applied

Sciences to serve on the Council on

30 minutes because of the Faculty

Although the meeting was only

Graduate Studies, Sinclair said.

Committee appointments:

» Admissions Appeal Review

Frank Mullins

» Enrollment Management Advisory Julie Chadd

» Academic Program Review/ **Elimination**

Susie Park, Ayse Costello

» University Personnel

Angela Vietto, David Bell, Jeff Ashley, Medhi Semati

» Sanctions and Terminations Hearing

Phil Age

Positions still open:

Council on University Planning and Budget (from Lumpkin College of Business and Applied Sciences)

Academic Program Review/Elimination Committee (from Family and Consumer Sciences)

Retirement Reception at the Tarble Arts Center, the senate approved a motion involving a call for volunteers to fill Faculty Senateapproved positions on University Boards and Councils.

The motion was called by Stimac who stated, "While we welcome

The University Boards and Councils include the Judicial Board, Campus Recreation Board and Research and Creative Activity Advisory Board. Faculty members have the

opportunity to volunteer for over 25 Faculty Senate-appointed positions on University Boards and Councils. The Electronic Writing Portfolio

will share data they've collected from faculty and student surveys at the next senate meeting at 2 p.m. April 17 in the Booth Library Conference Room 4440.

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COLUMNIST | MAURICE TRACY

Escape from 'white beauty'

I have just finished reading an article on thenation.com and now I am wondering if it is possible for those of us who are not of European descent to ever escape the looming presence that is whiteness, or at the very least, the idea of whiteness. The article focused on the idea of "ethnic correctness" plastic surgeries, or surgeries that aim to have patients look more like their own ethnic group rather than ideal standard of beauty. While this article was focusing upon the Asian American population, the strive toward/for a white ideal or standard is not limited to their community.

While I can't speak for the Latino community, I know that many African Americans prefer to have their hair straightened, many of us have complained that when we see mainstream America call an African American beautiful they seem to be closer to a white ideal of beauty, especially women, and there still is an issue within the community and the world at large when it comes to how dark or light a person is.

Now, I am not trying to say that Caucasian American people never have issues with not living up to the standard of beauty, Lord/Allah/Whoever knows that our standards of beauty are almost impossible to achieve and downright unhealthy for many women, but that concession made, I do think there is a slight difference. When you can easily look and find society reaffirming your body, your skin and, yes, even your hair as the standard, the classic, the ideal for what is not only beautiful – for we are truly talking about something as subjective as beauty - but as what is correct, I think that your thought process is a little different from the person who looks in the mirror and sees the world telling them their natural eyes, the eyes that are common among their people, is wrong or that their nose is too big or that their hair is naturally undesirable and must be altered.

I am also not trying to exclude myself from the masses who have in some way adopted this view of beauty, hence the use of the word "us." In fact, I have chemically altered my head before, thought about having surgery on my nose and changing my eye color with contacts. I have bought fade cream before; one of the jars that they have about three or five different versions of in the ethnic beauty care section at any Wal-Mart or beauty store. And while I have decided against the surgery and my fade cream is sitting full on top of some waste heap, I cannot say that I am completely out of the contact woods or the hair woods just vet. And I may never be. Yet, what gives me hope is this; the jar is full on the garbage heap; I still have my nose; some of us are questioning our ideals of beauty; and, as the article ultimately revealed, there is a trend for minorities getting surgeries to no longer appropriate the white standard of beauty. It is like a whole new wave of "black is beautiful" – only this time it is all ethnic minorities saying that "we are beautiful" and this gives me hope that when I, or any minority, look in the mirror, the dark skin that looks back will be wearing a smile.

Maurice Tracy

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ourview

Fee increases essential

Spring means fee increases at Eastern Illinois University. Every spring semester different groups go before the Student Senate to ask for more money. Three such fees have recently come before the senate: the Health Service fee, student insurance fee and the textbook rental fee. While no student likes to pay more fees, the increases are necessary.

In 2006-2007 the Health Service fee was \$82.90. Health Services is requesting an \$8 increase this year, making the fee \$90.90.

One of the reasons Health Service is requesting a fee increase is the \$189,000 debt that it currently has. According to Lynnette Drake, Eastern Health Service medical director, without the fee increase, the debt will increase to \$435,000 next year. Even with the fee increase, Health Service will still be in debt \$106,000 at the end of next year.

Drake sites rising health care costs nationwide as the reason for the fee increase. While an \$8 increase may seem a lot for the average student, \$90.90 is still a bargain for all the services Health Service offers.

Not only does Health Service offer a medical clinic with four medical doctors, but the Health Education Resource Center provides programs dealing with alcohol awareness, physical health, flu prevention, nutrition, sexual health and stress management. While not all Eastern students may take advantage of all the services Health Service offers, to those that do, it is a bargain.

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The student insurance fee was \$101.95 in 2006-1007. In 2007-2008 a fee increase of \$8 was requested. Lennie Heddins, Eastern's medical insurance specialist, said the insurance fee needs to be raised to cover rising health care costs.

The student insurance fee is the only optional fee at Eastern. Students who have greater or equal insurance coverage can waive the fee. With the insurance plan, students can choose their doctors or health care providers.

However, while \$8 may seem like a large increase, students should be willing to pay \$109.95 for health insurance that includes hospital, surgery, inpatient physician medical care, outpatient physician for illness or injury, lifetime maximum for any one accidental bodily injury or illness and combined lifetime maximum for mental illness and substance abuse.

Textbook Rental is asking for a \$1 fee increase in 2007-2008. The Textbook Rental

fee is now \$8.95 per credit hour. A student who takes 12 credit hours will pay \$101.30 to Textbook Rental.

Student Body President Sean Anderson vetoed this fee increase, saying that Textbook Rental was not providing enough information proving its need for an increase – including its FY08 projected budget.

While the projected budget should have been provided for Student Government, we feel that a \$1 increase would be normal with inflation alone.

However, there is no reason for Textbook Rental to provide keep budgetary information from students.

Although \$101.30 is a lot of money for a college student, it could be a lot worse. Other schools do not have textbook rental. Other students have to pay \$300, \$400 or \$500 for books they will use for one semester and then maybe be able to sell back to their university bookstore for a fraction of the price.

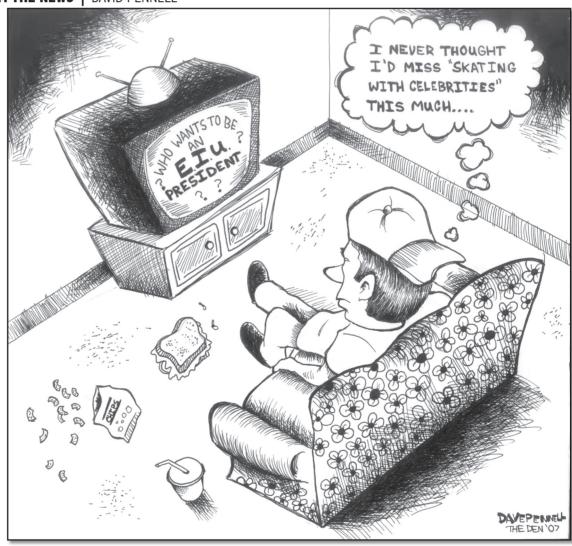
Eastern is an affordable school, a fact some students forget when they see the news of fee increases in the paper. While students may complain about fees being increased, it is a necessary evil to keep Eastern a competitive educational institution in Illinois.

Administrators and the Student Government work to keep fees and tuition rates low and the student body should commend them for their fiscal responsibility.

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

Reach the Opinions editor at **DENopinions@gmail.com.**

DRAWN FROM THE NEWS | DAVID PENNELL



OTHER VIEWS | BAYLOR UNIVERSITY

Maybe you've heard the joke about the computer that was built to predict the future. When it finally produced a printout about how the world would turn out, no one could read it. It was in Chinese. It might be a joke, but the premise is real -- the world is becoming smaller, and effective communication between sectors of business and government has become even more important as distance becomes less so.

The need for foreign language skills in our global community is obvious. In 2006, the government announced initiatives to increase the study of foreign languages, especially those relevant to national security, such as Chinese, Arabic and others.

FEATURED BLOGGER

"Yadier Molina batted fifth in the lineup on Sunday. Last year, his bat could not be counted on, and his lack of hitting ability was buried in the eighth spot. With two hits against the Mets, Molina proved that his tidal wave of offense in the playoffs was no fluke."

SCOTT RICHEY

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Lake Charleston

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The committee made recommendation to return the land to recreational use, but the board took no action.

Council member Lorelei Sims said she would not renew the leases because the council has to look out for the interest of the city.

Sims, Inyart and City Council members Jeff Lahr and Larry Rennels agreed that property tax and water treatment was a factor in the decision.

The overall cost to maintain the subdivision is a concern to me and the subdivision needs some major improvements," Inyart said.

'We just can't afford do it based on that kind of an income. There is no up side for the city," Inyart said.

Gale Poteete was one of four citizens who commented during the public session after the discussion.

She said she does not have a problem with paying property taxes on the lot around Lake Charleston. Poteete said she does not believe the tenants are polluting the water.

"If they wanted to buy it so we could move somewhere else, we would be open to do that, but they don't want to do that," she said. "They just want to throw us out and make us pay for tearing our places

Sims entertained the idea of putting the issue of the agenda and to take a vote on it, but the council concluded that 2009 is too far away to make a decision on the properties.

"It's not over by a long shot," Poteete said.

The council's other actions:

-The council voted to continue revising the keg permits and Inyart said he was pleased with the progress on the revisions.



City Council Member Larry Rennels explains to the audience at the City Council meeting some of the conclusions that he has come to in regards to Lake Island Tract houses having their leases renewed in 2009. Rennels explained that in addition to doing research on the matter, he has also spoken with many Charleston residents, through telephone conversations and email and thought thouroughly on the lease issue before stating his decision at the City Council meeting at City Hall on Tuesday evening.

-The council voted to place the fiscal budget for 2007-2008 on file for public inspection. The budget is estimated to be around a total

of \$24 million, but Inyart said the council has not had time to look it over the budget in detail.

be addressed at the next council

-The council voted to place the The 2007-2008 budget will increase of water and sewer water

rates on file for public inspection. The council wants to improve the quality of both and that is why the rates need to be adjusted.

Veto

FROM PAGE 1

The final decision when increasing student fees will be made by the Board of Trustees.

Dan Nadler, vice president for student affairs, presents increase proposals to the board for the final decision.

In other business, fee increases will be voted on for Health Service and Student Insurance, each for

SEAN ANDERSON | STUDENT BODY PRESIDENT

"I hope the senate overrides me after all the information is given."

Both proposals were introduced at last week's meeting.

The increase would raise the Health Service fee to \$90.90 and would require students with at least nine credit hours to pay the whole fee. Currently, students with less than 12 credit hours pay a per credit fee of \$6.91 per hour.

Students with less than nine hours would be required to pay \$10.10 per credit hour.

Lange expects the discussion to remain relevant to the topic.

The discussion needs to be about the proposed increases and not stories about the services provided, Lange said.

"This is something that they research," Lange said.

budgets Also, Apportionment Board, the Student Government, the Student Recreation Center and University Board will be introduced.

Apportionment Board previously approved nearly \$535,000 for their budgets.

Awards

FROM PAGE 1

Through the years she worked as the news director for WEIU, is a tenured journalism professor and currently teaches one class a week. Kaufman was a union leader, served on the Women's Studies Board, was a part of the student chapter of Radio Television News Directors Association and is president of the University Professionals of Illinois.

Kaufman said she believes in working together to solve issues through "equity, fairness, and a passion for social justice," utilizing her deep roots in both the Civil Rights Movement and Women's Rights Movement. Kaufman said she has high hopes for the students of today to carry on the work of the women of the past.

Others recognized at the Awards Reception were essay contest winners, both graduate and undergraduate students, Living History performers and the Outstanding Women's Studies Student Award winner Carly Riley.



statebriefs

The Associated Press

Woman sentenced in slaying

▶ BELLEVILLE — A former nurse has been sentenced to 20 years in prison in the 2005 slaying and genital mutilation of her live-in former husband at their Belleville home.

JoAnn Godt, who will turn 68 next week, pleaded guilty Monday in St. Clair County Circuit Court to second-degree murder in the beating death of Jay Godt, 61, on July 31, 2005. She then was sentenced to prison.

An indictment had accused JoAnn Godt of beating the victim with a baseball bat and cutting off his penis.

Authorities have said Jay Godt had been the victim of domestic violence at the hands of his former wife for some

Ebert returning to film festival

>> CHICAGO — Roger Ebert's recovery from cancer surgery has been a "long and unexpected ordeal," but the legendary film critic said Tuesday he'll appear publicly this month at his annual festival for overlooked movies.

Ebert said he'll watch the Overlooked Film Festival, which begins April 25 at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, from the audience, with colleagues taking over onstage duties.

Artful afternoon



CARLOS J. ORTIZ | CHICAGO TRIBUNE/MCT

Laverne Alexander and Carol Schneider (right) look over an exhibit of Islamic art at the University of Chicago on March 8 in Chicago.

STATE | TAXES

Governor targets businesses

The Associated Press

SPRINGFIELD — Gov. Rod Blagojevich used state economic development programs to target businesses that had received government grants and would support his plan to increase taxes on larger companies. State-funded "entrepreneurshipcenters" wereasked to contact businesses and recruit them for Blagojevich's tour this week touting his proposal, according to interviews and documents obtained by The Associated Press.

And regional managers for the Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity were instructed to contact area businesses to gauge support. To ensure they said the right things, managers

were given a script that outlines the plan, which calls for \$8.6 billion in business taxes to help schools and make health insurance available to

"It looks like your business will be able to benefit from our health care and tax reform plans. ... Would you be willing to join us for a business round-table meeting?" the callers were told to say.

The plan has been widely criticized by the state's business leaders, who argue it could result in job cuts and higher prices. Blagojevich's use of economic-development resources, a tactic that one business leader called "intimidation," is just one example of the ways he is directing government agencies to promote his STATE | CHICAGO

Artist defends Obama sculpture

Graduate student displays work at Chicago gallery

The Associated Press

CHICAGO - He wears Jesus' robes and a neon blue halo, looks like Democratic presidential candidate Barack Obama and is causing a stir at a Chicago art school.

An undergraduate student's paper mache sculpture of Obama as a messianic figure - entitled "Blessing" – went on display Saturday at a West Loop gallery run by the School of the Art Institute of Chicago. By Monday, word of the piece had spread on political blogs, and the school had been flooded with calls.

David Cordero, 24, made the sculpture for his senior show after noticing all the attention Obama has received since he first hinted he may run for the presidency.

"All of this is a response to what I've been witnessing and hearing, this idea that Barack is sort of a potential savior that might come and absolve the country of all its sins," Cordero said. "In a lot of ways it's about caution in assigning all these inflated expectations on one individual, and expecting them to change something that many hands have shaped."

Obama's campaign worked Monday to the distance the Illinois senator from the artwork.

"While we respect First Amendment rights and don't think the artist was trying to be offensive, Senator Obama, as rule, isn't a fan of art that offends religious sensibilities," said Obama spokeswoman Jen Psaki.

Cordero said the school had fielded plenty of calls about his work, "some of them from angry people." He also said he had heard from a few potential buyers.

Bruce Jenkins, dean of the art school's undergraduate program, said response to the piece - part of a student exhibition - has been mostly positive. He said people should take a close look at the sculpture and the context it was created in before judging it.

"When you see it, when you spend time it with it, you understand that it's not a provocative work at all," Jenkins said.

"It opens a set of questions."

The Archdiocese of Chicago had not seen the work as of Monday afternoon and could not comment on it, said spokeswoman Dianne Dunagan.

The piece comes amid Catholic outrage in New York that led to an art gallery canceling an exhibit featuring a nude 6-foot-tall, anatomically correct chocolate sculpture of Jesus Christ.

Holy Week Schedule



Hey Catholic-Christians! Holy Week has arrived. Please note the following times, and make plans to attend the Sacred Triduum. You will experience a lift in your faith if you take the time to celebrate these holy feast days. These are our days! Let us celebrate! Need a note to get out of class? Talk to us!

April 4, Spy Wednesday: 7:00 pm - Mass

April 5, Holy Thursday: 6:00 pm - Mass of the Lord's Supper

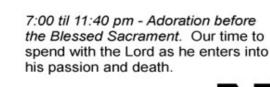
All Services take place at the Newman Catholic Center's St. Philip Neri Chapel. Across from Andrews and Lawson Halls.

11:40 pm - Night Prayer

April 6, Good Friday: Noon - Service, Veneration of the Cross

April 7, Holy Vigil: 7:30 pm - Service of Light & Mass

April 8, Easter Sunday: 11:00 am - Mass (NO 7:00 pm mass on Easter Sunday!)





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Democrats call for aid to complete an interview

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON—House Democrats on Tuesday asked a top Justice Department aide to come to Capitol Hill for a private interview in the next week on the firing of federal prosecutors, arguing that she cannot simply refuse to testify on the matter.

Monica Goodling, who has said she would assert her Fifth Amendment right against self-incrimination to avoid appearing at Senate hearings, must tell Congress which specific questions she's refusing to answer, Democrats said in a letter to her lawyer. Goodling was senior counsel to embattled Attorney General Alberto Gonzales and was the department's White House liaison before she took a leave earlier this month amid the uproar over the ouster of eight U.S. attorneys.

Senate Judiciary Committee members, meanwhile, are pressing Gonzales to say how he plans to deal with Goodling taking the Fifth Amendment. Her action, they say, means he can't fulfill his pledge to make Justice employees available for questioning under oath.

"Who do we talk to at the Department of Justice? The office of the Attorney General appears to be hopelessly conflicted," Sen. Patrick Leahy and Sen. Sheldon Whitehouse said in a letter to Gonzales released Tuesday.

NATION | SHOOTING



JOHNNY CRAWFORD | MCT

Authorities stand outside the CNN Center, where a shooting took place in downtown Atlanta Tuesday.

Shots fired inside CNN Center

The Associated Press

ATLANTA—A domestic dispute erupted in gunfire at CNN's headquarters complex Tuesday, killing a woman and critically wounding the man who first pulled a gun, authorities said.

The man and woman were arguing near the main entrance of the complex when the man shot her, police officer James Polite said. The armed man was then shot by a CNN security guard.

The woman was pronounced dead on arrival at a hospital. The man was in critical condition.

Police said the man and woman had a prior relationship.

They were seen being carried out of the building on stretchers. The man's face was covered in blood and his shirt was removed.

CNN reported that the offices of its Internet operations, CNN.com, were immediately evacuated. Video footage also showed police pointing guns at a man lying on the ground at the bottom of an escalator

inside the building.

An announcement over the building's public-address system said there had been gunfire "with potential casualties." Police cordoned off an area by the escalators near the main entrance, facing Centennial Olympic Park.

The park was the site of a bombing that killed a woman and injured more than 100 people during the 1996 Summer Olympics.

"I heard four or five shots. I really didn't see it. I got out of there quick," said Jas Stanford, 27, who had been helping take down a temporary stage in the park used for college basketball's Final Four festivities.

The CNN complex also includes the Omni Hotel, a large atrium and a food court. It is connected to Philips Arena, the home of the NBA's Atlanta Hawks.

In the food court, Trina Johnson, 44, of Atlanta, was with her daughter on a family outing.

"All of a sudden we heard a big boom. We thought it was an explosion," Johnson said. "We didn't see the gun. Everybody just started running."

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The Associated Pres

Contaminated wheat gluten not given to food manufactures

>>WASHINGTON — None of the contaminated wheat gluten that led to the U.S. recall of pet food went to manufacturers of food for humans, the ingredient's importer said Tuesday.

The Chinese wheat gluten imported by ChemNutra Inc. all went to companies that make pet foods. Nearly 100 brands of cat and dog foods made with the ingredient have since been found to be chemically contaminated and recalled.

Jackson Hewitt franchises cited for bogus tax returns

washIngTon — The government said Tuesday it is trying to shut down more than 125 Jackson Hewitt tax preparation stores in four states for systematic "tax-fraud schemes."

The Justice Department accuses the franchises of bilking the government out of more than \$70 million through fraudulent practices such as using phony W-2 forms, bogus deductions and fuel tax credits and false claims regarding the earned income tax credit.

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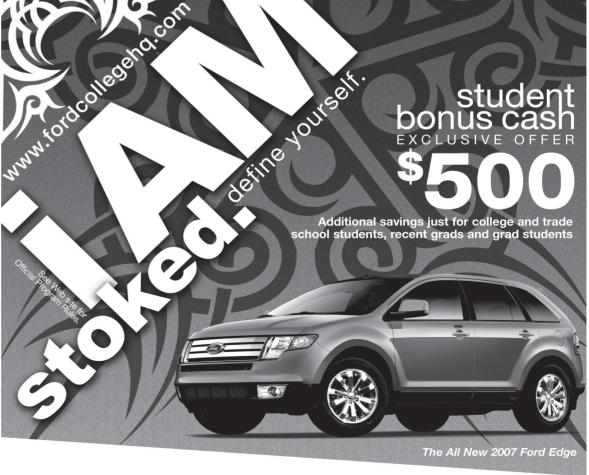
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However, they can't tell you how to live your life.

They can only give you guidance and pointers on the right things to do and keep you on the right path.

To me, being an athlete can actually save you from being swallowed up by college.

Some students come to college and get dragged into the "college life," of partying and not going to class. When you are an athlete, you have to go to class and pass your classes in order to participate in your sport.

It might suck sometimes considering the fact that you have a lot of rules, and then some, to follow, but it keeps you in

Coaches don't have to care about you, and some may not, but there are coaches who want you to get a good education. Most coaches stress the STUDENT part in student-athlete, which is important.

Coaches are good people to guide you because they have had a lot of experience and practice on previous athletes, and some might have even been in your shoes at one point and

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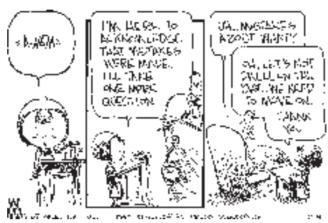
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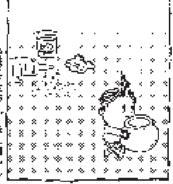
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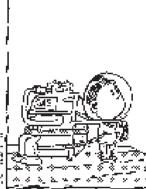
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SOFTBALL | NOTEBOOK

Panthers manage to get in one game

By Matt Daniels Sports Editor

It started more than two hours later than expected, but Eastern managed to get one game of its scheduled doubleheader in against Ball State.

Three other Panther athletic events scheduled Tuesday (baseball, men's tennis and women's tennis) were canceled because of the storm that swept through Charleston midafternoon.

"We had looked at the radar and originally it said it was going to stop raining at 4 p.m.," said Eastern head coach Kim Schuette. "It didn't stop raining until 5. They were already three-fourths of the way here so there's no reason not to try to play when we have lights. Might as well take advantage of the lights."

The first game was scheduled to start at 4 p.m., but was delayed for more than two hours.

Mackie garners honor

The Ohio Valley Conference recognized Karyn Mackie's superb pitching performance Tennessee State.

Mackie was named co-OVC pitcher of the week on Monday.

The junior right-hander picked up both Eastern wins, including Sunday's 1-0 win, in which Mackie

pitched a one-hitter. Mackie gave up a hit to TSU's leadoff batter, but did not allow a hit the rest of the game. She retired the final 16 batters to end the game, including the final two on strikeouts.

Pitcher moves up strikeout list

Sophomore pitcher Kathleen Jacoby recorded her 200th career strikeout when she struck out Tennessee State's Christy Hill in the first game of Saturday's doubleheader.

Jacoby added two more strikeouts in the inning, struck out two more in the second game of the doubleheader and then struck out both batters she faced in Tuesday's game. The 206 career strikeouts move Jacoby solely into fifth place on Eastern's all-time career strikeout

Revolving door at third base

Eastern started three different players in its three-game series against TSU.

Junior Allyson Nolte started the first game, freshman Denee' Menzione started Saturday's second game and freshman Stephanie Militello started Sunday's game.

It was Militello's second career start at third base and she played an instrumental role in Mackie's onehit shutout.

Militello, a walk-on in softball who also plays on Eastern's rugby team, fielded all seven groundballs hit at her cleanly, recording seven assists in the process.

"She got a great jump on a few balls that would have gone to the shortstop and cut them off and made them look easy," Schuette said. "She's an athlete. It took her a while to get caught up to the team, but she's earned her spot.'

Militello also started Tuesday's game at third base.

Adams' average increases

Wednesday's Before last doubleheader against Saint Louis, senior shortstop Chelsea Adams was only hitting .208.

She has raised her batting average 29 points since then, up to .237.

'I'm more relaxed at the plate, so I think that helped me a lot, too," Adams said. "It helps any time you get a hit, just one hit in a game just kind of builds up to the next

Different lineup for every game

Schuette has not had the same consecutive starting lineup in backto-back games this year.

In the Panthers' 31 games this year, Eastern has had 31 different starting lineups.

"I wish that we had nine players

that were batting .300 and could have a steady lineup and make it much less headaches before the

games," Schuette said. The Panthers have had nearly a different starting lineup for every game this season. This doesn't mean Schuette employs drastic lineup changes every game.

In Saturday's first game against TSU, Karyn Mackie pitched and hit in the seventh spot, while Adams hit in the ninth spot and played centerfield.

In Saturday's second game, Adams played shortstop and hit in the seventh spot, while freshman Lauren Brackett hit in the ninth spot and played left field.

Sophomore Sarah Coppert is the only Panther to start every game at second base, the only position one player has played at all season.

Schuette has started six different players in right field this season, five in centerfield and five at first base.

In the batting order, Schuette has used 12 different players in the ninth spot, 11 in the eighth spot and seven in the seventh spot.

The least-changed spot in the batting order has been the third

Senior catcher Sandyn Short has hit in 25 games there, while junior utility player Robyn Mackie has hit for six games.

Comeback

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Iapla got behind 0-2, but Milian's next pitch hit Iapala.

"We got a couple baserunners on, people did the little things right, like Iapala." Schuette said. "She could have gotten out of the way, but she got hit."

Karyn Mackie then popped up in foul territory to bring up Militello, who hit a slow groundball to Ball State's Kamilah Holle at shortstop.

Holle's throw was high and glanced off Ball State first baseman Amanda Pick's glove and into the Cardinal's dugout.

"Any one of three plays in that inning could have won the ballgame," said Ball State head coach Craig Nicholson. "You have three chances to make a play to end the ballgame, and you can't make any of them, you expect to lose."

Holle's error set up Coppert's

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Key Inning: Bottom of the seventh

The Panthers scored all four of their runs in this inning Eastern scored two runs on a throwing error by Ball State's shortstop, before Panther second base Sarah Coppert, ended the game with a walk-off, two-run double with two outs.

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Rain still causing problems for Panthers

By Brandy Provaznik

Staff Reporter

BASEBALL | NOTEBOOK

Eastern head coach Jim Schmitz didn't want his team to play in another game like it did Saturday.

The Panthers played the last two innings through heavy rain and mud in the first game against Tennessee-Martin.

Schmitz canceled Tuesday's game against Saint Xavier before Tuesday's storm hit Charleston.

Schmitz said the game would most likely not be made up because they couldn't find a time when both teams were available.

"It was a tough call," Schmitz said. "Nine times out of ten, I'll say come on, let's play, I

Schmitz said that after he called the meteorologist at WCIA in Champaign.

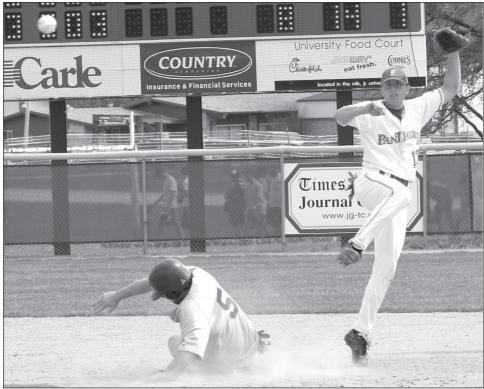
He said the meteorologist said they could

Although it is nice to have a mid-week game to get in some live pitching, the Panthers don't think it is going to affect them going into this weekend's conference series against Murray State.

"We would like to get an actual game in before conference play, but we will scrimmage against ourselves and be able to really focus on the things we need to for Murray," said senior left fielder Mark Chagnon.

Coming back from deficits

Last weekend's series against Tennessee Martin wasn't pretty, but it is a weekend Schmitz said he would not forget.



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Senior shortstop Adam Varrassi attempts to turn a double play during the top of the seventh inning of Eastern's 9-2 victory against Tennesee Tech at Coaches Stadium.

The Panthers lost the first game 8-7 after coming back from being down 5-0 and 4-1, respectively, in the second innings of games one and two.

The wins this past weekend put the Panthers in third place in the Ohio Valley

Not only was the weekend unforgettable, it may help the Panthers in the long run, Schmitz said.

"Winning these two games takes some of the pressure or will take some pressure off down the road," Schmitz said. "Hopefully we are going to pitch better, do some things

better, but you really can't coach what they did to come back. They just toughed it out."

Last year the Panthers were 3-3 at this time and Schmitz said it put the team in a hole. But this year, being above .500 will be a positive, especially with games against firstplace Jacksonville State (16-3, 6-0 OVC) and second place Southeast Missouri (19-8, 5-1) still left to play.

Senior first basemen Erik Huber said it gives the Panthers confidence to know that if they fall behind to some of these tougher teams down the stretch, they can still come

Huber named OVC player of the week

Huber was named OVC player of the week after he hit 6-for-6 on Sunday with a total of five RBI's and five of his own runs scored.

Huber is currently tied with former Panther Jeff Cammann's single season hitting streak of 21 straight games.

Huber has a total of 7 homeruns and 25 RBI's this season.

Schmitz said what really impresses him about Huber is his consistency.

"He has the ability to come in and do it day in and day out, midweek or weekend," Schmitz said. "Many times when you have a power hitter they strike out a lot, but not Erik. He is able to make contact with the ball and get on base."

Huber has only struck out seven times this season out of 94 at bats. Schmitz said there are not a lot of ways for pitchers to get him out and the fact that he can hit a lot of what comes at him is what makes him so valuable.

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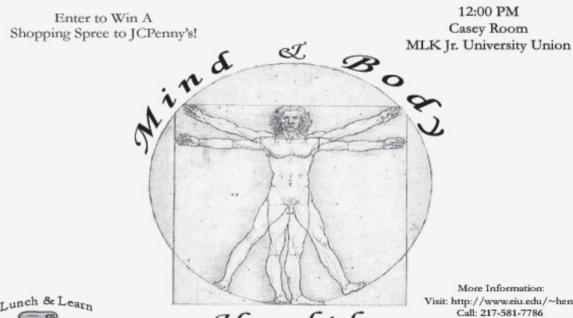
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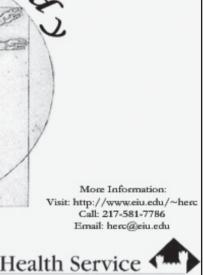
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When Florida and Billy Donovan (above) won their second consecutive basketball national championship on Monday, they became the first team since Duke in 1991-92 to win back-to-

An even more impressive feat, which no university has ever accomplished, the Gators' win against Ohio State gave them both the football and basketball national championships in the same academic year.

While no school has ever boasted both football and basketball titles in the same year, other schools have had success in both sports or won multiple titles in a single year.

Here are three of those schools who have had multi-sport success:

1. Utah - While the Utes did not have team success like the Gators, two players' individual accomplishments have been unmatched. No other school has sported both the No. 1 pick in both the NFL and NBA drafts like Utah in 2005.

Alex Smith was taken first overall by the San Francisco 49ers and three months later Andrew Bogut was taken first in the NBA draft by the Milwaukee Bucks.

2. Texas — Vince Young's thrilling touchdown run in January 2006 led the Longhorns to a national championship but the football team was not the only program in Austin that was successful.

In March 2006 the Longhorns' Women's Track and Field team took the national indoor title after winning the outdoor crown the previous year. The baseball team also brought home a title in 2005.

3. Southern California - The Trojans are best known recently for winning backto-back titles in football under quarterbacks Carson Palmer and Matt Leinart but in the 1970s the Trojans won both football and baseball championships three different times in the same school year.

In 1972, '74, and '78 the Trojans dominated in football and baseball but did not qualify their basketball teams for the NCAA tournament in the same year like the Longhorns.

- Joe Waltasti

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Athletic Balancing Act

Athletes use different tactics to balance class, practice loads

By Scott Richey

Online News Editor

The perfect situation for Eastern's head baseball coach Jim Schmitz would be for his players to be finished with class by noon, have lunch and rest before practice

However, this situation rarely occurs for Schmitz.

The same is true for other Eastern athletic programs.

Cindy Tozer, director of academic services for athletics, said one of the biggest problems when scheduling classes for athletes is some departments offer only afternoon classes. Science classes with two-to-three hour labs are especially difficult to schedule because an athlete might have two

The perfect scenario for Schmitz would be for all 33 members of the baseball team to have academics out of the way before lunch.

He said, however, once his players are registering for junior and senior level courses, it gets more difficult to balance time for class and practice.

Schmitz said baseball is one of the hardest spring sports to schedule classes around. The team does not travel or have games scheduled on Tuesdays or Thursdays, but there is an evening practice both of those days. Monday is the only off day for the baseball team.

Senior pitcher Chris Vaculik said Mondays are a good day for baseball players to schedule a night class if necessary.

One of the primary reasons Schmitz said he prefers his players to have morning classes is so practice can begin at 2 p.m.

A later start time for practice means players and coaches will not be home until 7 p.m. or later.



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Sophomore tennis player and pre-business major Jordan Nestrud is one of many student-athletes that get to register early to work classes around their practice and game schedules.

Schmitz said he has noticed more class conflicts in the past two or three years, and the conflicts are not just with the juniors and

He wishes for more sections available for classes.

"We like priority registration that athletes have, but there are still struggles to get an a.m. class," Schmitz said.

Despite struggles, Tozer said priority registration is a benefit for

athletes because there is a better chance for them to get into the sections of classes they need.

Schmitz said a key to scheduling classes for athletes is for them to get in and see their advisers right

This helps both athletes and advisers plan ahead.

Every year, Schmitz said he compiles the conflict list between classes and practice, and the number of conflicts is surprising.

He said sometimes the conflict list is half actual class conflicts and half players not wanting an 8 a.m.

Tozer said she sides with the coach on the issue of wanting athletes to take early classes.

"If it's (class) scheduled at two or eight, I tell them they need to take the eight o'clock," Tozer said.

However, athletes want early classes, Tozer said, so they can be done and have time to rest or study.

One method at scheduling classes is to take harder courses during the offseason.

Vaculik said it is important to know what classes will be harder and get them out of the way when not in season.

Vaculik said baseball season is a combination of several early classes followed by many late nights of practice. He said it is especially difficult to have early classes on Monday mornings because the team may not return from an away series until 2 a.m. that day.

Sophomore volleyball player Lauren Sopcic said she has overloaded during offseason semesters, taking more than 15 credit hours. Her method for scheduling classes during volleyball season mirrors Vaculik's approach of taking easier classes.

"I will take a gen. ed instead of say, organic chemistry," Sopcic said of her in-season class schedule.

Sopcic said scheduling classes for the upcoming Fall semester has been difficult. After four separate meetings with her adviser to arrange and rearrange her schedule, she will still miss a half of two practices. This is significant, Sopcic said, because the volleyball team only has four practices per

Sopcic said that the strain of classes during the morning and practice in the afternoon is sometimes tiring, but it's what she expects being a student-athlete.

"I'm accustomed to being busy," she said. "I kind of like it."

SOFTBALL | EASTERN 4, BALL STATE 3

Coppert double caps comeback

By Matt Daniels

Sarah Coppert made up for a throwing error that allowed Ball State to score a run in a big way.

sophomore second baseman lined a 2-1 pitch from Ball State pitcher Elizabeth Milian into the left-centerfield gap for a game-winning two-run double in Eastern's come-from-behind 4-3 win on Tuesday at Williams Field.

"The whole game she kept jamming me inside really bad and she kept throwing it there because I couldn't hit it," Coppert said of Milian's pitching. "Then the last one it just wasn't very inside. It was kind of in the gap and I knew I had hit it hard. I didn't even know the game was over. I was standing there (on second base) waiting for the next batter."

Coppert's hit came with two outs and made up for the throwing



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Junior pitcher Karyn Mackie throws out a Ball State runner during Tuesday's 4-3 win at Williams Field.

error she had in the sixth inning, which allowed Ball State to score

Coppert's throw to third base to try to force a runner was in the dirt and went past Eastern third baseman Stephanie Militello.

The ball went through an open gate on the third-base line, allowing a Ball State runner to score and give the Cardinals a 2-

Ball State added another run in the inning on another throwing

error, this time by Panther catcher Sandyn Short, to lead 3-0 going into the bottom of the seventh inning.

Cardinals had three The opportunities in the seventh inning to close out a win.

But three defensive misplays gave the Panthers a chance. After Short struck out to start the inning, senior Katy Steele doubled to right field on a ball the Ball State rightfielder appeared to have misjudged. Sophomore outfielder Angela Danca then lined a hardhit ball up the middle.

Ball State centerfielder Brittney Jones dived to catch the ball, but the ball hit off her forearm and dropped for a hit.

Sophomore outfielder Chelsy Iapala pinch-hit for shortstop Chelsea Adams with Steele on third and Danca on second.

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