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“Tell the truth and don’t be afraid.”



News

William Russell presented a stress management workshop Monday at Lantz.

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Sports

Kyle Hill continues to lead Panthers down the stretch.

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Enrollment figures look better than recent years

By Joseph Ryan
Administration editor

The spring enrollment numbers have been released and Eastern’s enrollment is looking better than in years past.

“We have lost less students this spring than we have in previous spring semesters as a percentage of the previous fall enrollments,” said Frank Hohengarten, dean of enrollment management.

Hohengarten said the university has retained 1 percent more students than it did last spring.

Eastern’s spring 2001 on and off-campus enrollment stands at 9,805, which is down from the fall 2000 enrollment of 10,637, a press release said.

“The spring enrollment numbers come as no surprise since our fall enrollment was down, and we graduated more than 800 in December,” said Lou Hencken, vice president of student affairs, in a press release.

Eastern’s fall semester enrollment was a drop of 589 students from last year’s fall semester enrollment of 11,226.

Eastern’s enrollment numbers declined while enrollments steadily increased at other state schools such as Western Illinois University, Illinois State University, Southern Illinois University, Northern Illinois University and University of Illinois at Champaign.

However, this spring semester, Western Illinois University, an Illinois university comparable in size

to Eastern, lost 16 percent of its enrollment from the fall semester, whereas Eastern lost 8 percent.

“These things can be cyclical, or maybe being aware that we needed to do a better job helped,” Hohengarten said.

While Eastern’s freshman enrollment this past fall increased in the midst of the overall enrollment drop, the enrollment of transfer students sharply declined.

To combat the decline, Eastern hired the former vice president of student services from Lake Land College to work with Eastern’s transfer student population.

This semester Eastern’s campus is 59 percent female, 5,733, and 41 percent male, 4,072.

Also, minority enrollment has increased to 888 over last spring semester’s minority enrollment of 854.

Minority enrollment includes black, American Indian, Alaskan Native, Asian/Pacific Islander and Hispanic races.

Eastern student population is more than 87 percent white.

“Every little bit helps. I believe it’s terribly important that we be able to provide a diversified campus that is reflective of the state and the nation,” said Johnetta Jones, director of Eastern’s office of minority affairs. “That makes good for the environment to educate all of our students.”

The majority of Eastern’s population is seniors, 3,038, followed by juniors, 2,207.

Eastern’s sophomore enrollment is at 1,666, while the freshman enrollment is 1,598. The number of graduate students enrolled at Eastern is 1,296, according to a press release.

with other long distance companies, said Clay Hopkins, director of Telecommunications Information Technology Services.

Previously, students using the service were forking over 10 cents on weekends per minute, 12 cents during week day evenings and 15 cents during the week days, Hopkins said.

“The last time the rate changed was Aug. 1 of 1999,” he said. “(The new rate) makes it real simple for students. What makes it

Listening to concerns



Sara Figiel / Photo editor

Katie Cox (right), student body president, and Kristin Rutter, student body vice president of academic affairs, talk to each other during the beginning of the housing forum meeting in the Lumpkin Hall auditorium Monday night. There were only three students in attendance other than members of student senate.

Low student turnout disappoints senate members

By Mike Laskero
Staff writer

Students did not take advantage of an opportunity to voice their opinions at a housing forum Monday night.

When Student Body President Katie Cox was asked for her response to the turnout, Cox said, “without cussing?”

Cox said she was very upset that only three students attended a forum held on housing rates.

“I don’t know why the administration should come back to (the senate) if the students aren’t going to tell us what they want,” Cox said. “I guess we’ll have to go with the surveys.”

The surprisingly low turnout also upset many senate members.

“That’s something,” senate member Daryl Jones said of the low turnout.

“I guess students in the long run know there’s going to be an increase,” Jones said. “Or maybe

they trust the (senate members) to take care of it.”

Because of the turnout, little was actually determined at the forum. Jen Fanthorpe, the Tuition and Fee Review Committee chair, talked to the three, as well as a couple dozen senate members, for about a half an hour.

Cox said she didn’t know what else the senate could do to get people to the forum.

“I felt the event was well publicized,” Cox said. “We did the surveys, handed out flyers and had people speak at residence halls.”

Many Eastern students, however, said they didn’t know a forum was even being held.

Joseph Marbury, a sophomore social science major, said the reason no students attended the forum was because no students heard about the forum.

“If they did, people would want to be there — that’s an extra \$200 people don’t want to spend,” Marbury said.

Eric Rickenberg, a freshman music education major, said he never heard about the forum, but thought it was important.

“I’m the one paying for (the rate increase),” Rickenberg said.

After being informed of the forum, Rickenberg went to Lumpkin Hall, however, the forum ended by the time he showed up.

Jenny LaPapa, a sophomore speech communication major, said she did hear about the forum through a senate survey she took, but chose not to attend the forum because “I have other places to be.”

“I tried going to senate forum things before, and they don’t really matter,” LaPapa said. “I don’t think my voice was listened to very well (at the forums).”

The senate will vote on whether to endorse the rate increase proposal at Wednesday’s meeting.

Cox said the senate will rely exclusively on the surveys distributed by senate members this week to make their decision.

Telephone rates now offered at 10 cents per minute

By Karen Kirr
Campus editor

The Illinois Consolidated Telephone Company is now offering students residing in university housing a long distance rate of 10 cents per minute seven days a week for calls made within the U.S.

The reduction in prices is an attempt by the company to be more attractive to on-campus students while remaining competitive

with other long distance companies, said Clay Hopkins, director of Telecommunications Information Technology Services.

Previously, students using the service were forking over 10 cents on weekends per minute, 12 cents during week day evenings and 15 cents during the week days, Hopkins said.

“The last time the rate changed was Aug. 1 of 1999,” he said. “(The new rate) makes it real simple for students. What makes it

really nice is that there are no monthly fees or surcharges.”

He said the change in rates was not prompted by any decrease in usage of the long distance company’s service by students.

“I haven’t noticed a reduction (in students using the long distance service),” Hopkins said. “It appears usage is remaining constant.”

With less students living in residence halls though, there are not as many people to use the long dis-

tance service, Hopkins said.

However, he said in the last five years long distance rates have dropped tremendously in the U.S., which have kept campus rates low.

Although the company has reduced rates in past years, they have never been this low, he said.

Hopkins said the company is attempting to inform students of the rates through the mailing of flyers and posting of signs throughout the residence halls.

“We just want to make students

aware of the new rates,” Hopkins said.

The new rates will be in effect until rates are revised and evaluated again, he said.

“We evaluate rates every year,” Hopkins said. “We try to do this in the summer sometime.”

Hopkins said he believes students will take advantage of the cheaper prices.

“As we have lowered rates, we’ve seen students take advantage of it,” he said.

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'Seven habits' workshop held tonight

By Jennifer Rigg
Activities editor

Some people always seem to have the best relationships, the best grades, the best attitudes, etcetera. According to Stephen R. Covey, an author in Utah, there are seven habits that produce these highly effective people.

Deborah Woodley, professor in the School of Technology and coordinator for the Career and Organizations Studies Program, is one of the facilitators for tonight's workshop that is based on Covey's book, "The Seven Habits of Highly Effective People."

The workshop will be held at 4 p.m. today in Klehm Hall Room 114.

The seven habits are divided into two parts. The first part relates to interpersonal communication, Woodley said.

The first three habits relate to individuals, Woodley said. The first habit is to be "proactive." The second is to "begin with the end in mind," and the third habit is to "put first things first."

"These are habits that help you with self-mastery and self-disci-

pline," Woodley said.

After the first three habits are mastered, then students move on to the next three habits.

"These habits help you work with other people and show you how to build lasting, effective relationships," she said.

The fourth habit is to think "win-win," Woodley said. "If you think win-win, then both people win in the relationship," she said.

The fifth habit is to "seek first to understand, then to be understood," and the sixth habit is to "synergize."

To synergize means to get together with others, and that the groups idea would be bigger and better than the idea of just the one person, Woodley said.

"The whole is greater than the sum of its parts," Woodley said.

The seventh and final habit is to "sharpen the saw," Woodley said. This habit has four encompassing parts.

The first part is a physical renewal that can be achieved through such things as exercise. The second part is a mental renewal that can be achieved

by increasing mental capacity with writing or reading. The third part is a spiritual renewal that can be achieved by reading inspirational material or meditating, and the fourth part is a social or emotional renewal that can be achieved by "making daily deposits in the emotional bank account of relationships," Woodley said.

An example of a "deposit" would be saying "thank you" to someone, giving someone a compliment or just listening to someone when that person needs to be listened to, she said.

This first session of the workshop is offered from 4 to 7 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 27; March 6, 20, 27; and April 3, 10, 17 in Klehm Hall Room 114.

The second session is offered from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday, March 2 and March 23 in Klehm Hall Room 214. A \$75 registration fee will be charged to cover the cost of materials, Woodley said.

For more information or to register for one of the sessions, Woodley can be contacted at 581-6270 or by e-mail at cfdaw@eiu.edu.



Sara Figiel / Photo editor

Quick break

An afternoon smoke break was in order for Scott Lantz, a freshman English major, Monday afternoon. Lantz took a time out to sit outside of the Physical Science building before he went into his chemistry class. "This morning was a bit chilly, but it is shaping up into a fantastic afternoon," Lantz said.

What's on tap?

Special events open to all students, faculty, staff and community members can be published in *What's on tap*. Events limited to specific groups or organizations or regularly scheduled events can be published in *CampusClips*. To have your event included send details, including time, date, place and cost, to cucls6@pen.eiu.edu or bring a written statement to 1811 Buzzard Hall.

Students can improve grades with learning workshop held tonight

By Jennifer Rigg
Activities editor

Students who are struggling in classes may wonder if there is anything that can be done to help their plummeting grades.

Mark May, assistant director of the Learning Assistance Center, holds the three keys of learning in his hand and at 5 p.m. he will hand them

over to anyone who needs them.

The workshop, titled "The Three Keys to Learning," is a part of a 30 minute workshop series, May said. Tonight's workshop is an overview of learning strategies, he said.

"I will ask students to think about what they feel they can do to enhance their learning," May said. "We then discuss their approaches and ideas. Then I offer what the three

most important things that I've found helped students the most over the years," he said. The workshop will finish up with May talking about ways to apply the three principles.

"I'd encourage anyone from someone who is struggling in a class to someone who is already doing well to come," May said. "Both of them will benefit from the workshop."

Other workshops that are a part of the 30 minute workshop series, sponsored by the Learning Assistance Center, include Writing APA Style Papers, March 6, 7; Taking Tests, March 20, 21; Communicating with People with Disabilities, April 3, 4; and Study Techniques for Finals, April 17, 18.

To make reservations call May at 581-6696.

Today

5 p.m., Three Keys to Learning, Ninth Street Hall Room 2016.

7:30 p.m., "You Are Driving Me Crazy," Effingham Room of the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union.

2 p.m., "Turkey at the Crossroads of Europe," Buzzard Hall Auditorium.

7 p.m., *Lysistrata*, Doudna Fine Arts Center.

Wednesday

4 p.m., "Can We Get Closer to the Truth: A Talk on the Topic of the Paradox of Verisimilitude," Coleman Hall Room 326.

2 to 4 p.m., International Tea Focus on Japan, Charleston/Mattoon Room of the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union.

7 p.m., *Lysistrata*, Doudna Fine Arts Center.

Thursday

7 p.m., *Lysistrata*, Doudna Fine Arts Center.

9 p.m., University Board Comedy presents Leighann Lord, Rathskeller of the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union.

three-day forecast

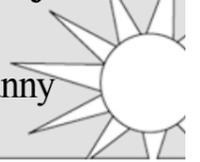
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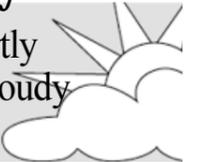
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Thursday

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Correction

In Monday's edition of *The Daily Eastern News*, an article incorrectly stated the fate of the vice president for fundraising recognition and whether the position was filled.

RHA members are discussing merging the position with RHA treasurer.

Amy Grammar currently holds the position of vice president for fundraising recognition.

The News regrets the errors

Forums to be held

Staff Report

Students concerned about proposed budget cuts to the English and music departments can meet with administration members Tuesday.

The music budget forum will be held at 6 p.m. in the Fine Arts Building in Room FAM 122 and the English budget forum will be at 6 p.m. in Coleman Hall Room 221.

Students can meet with Provost Lida Wall and College of Arts and Humanities Dean James Johnson and discuss with them concerns they may have regarding the proposed budget cuts.

Stress management the key to staying healthy, happy

By Kari Natale
Staff writer

Learning how to control and recognize the problem can keep stress from decreasing health and performance.

William Russell, assistant professor of physical education, spoke before a group of students Monday night on ways to cope with stress.

"It is important to recognize the problem and be able to control it," Russell said.

When people become stressed the body knows it, increasing the heart rate and blood pressure. It is important to take stress seriously and realize that everyone has stress.

"What is stressful for one person is not always stressful for another," Russell said.

The way each individual deals with a situation determines how confident they are in themselves. A person who deals with stress in a positive way will not suffer as much as a person who has negative

thoughts, Russell said.

The first step to managing stress is becoming aware of the problem. It is hard to deal with a problem if you can't acknowledge it, he said.

The most common stress that people deal with on an everyday basis are situations at home, school, on the job and within themselves. Learning to share the frustrations with other people and getting social support can boost a person's confidence, helping him or her realize what exactly they need to work on the most, Russell said.

Time management can release the negative stress that builds up as a person is feeling rushed or behind.

"Exercise is a big factor in improving anxiety and improving mood," Russell said.

Exercising brings the heart rate and blood pressure back down and helps to relax. Not exercising regularly could cause a build up of stress leaving a risk for diseases, he said.

The workshop offered a handout to try and help the audience change

the way they feel. Writing down feelings toward the problem changes bad thoughts to better ones dealing with stressful situations, he said.

Russell asked the students if filling out the worksheet helped anyone in dealing with their stress. Danielle Steinkamp, freshman middle level education major said, "The activity helps release some stress by putting it on paper and noticing the problem."

Releasing stress from any situation is a skill that must be practiced in order to actually be affective.

Russell said our thoughts and emotions affect the way we feel and think. Sometimes we compare ourselves to others in negative ways, but the stress can be decreased by being able to deal with the fact that everyone is different and any problem can be dealt with if confronted and faced, he said.

Russell said it helps to know what part of a tough situation can and can't be controlled.



Sara Figiel / Photo editor

Different coping strategies for stress were discussed by William Russell, from the department of physical education, on Monday night in the Student Recreation Center in Lantz gymnasium. "You have to know what is causing you the stress to effectively manage with it," Russell said.

"Be able to deal with the fact that everyone is different and that you can deal with any problem. Just relax and take responsibility for your own thoughts," Russell said.

Workshop to help students deal with their roommate problems

By Katherine Helfrich
Staff writer

Shouts of anguish can be heard constantly across campus because of piles of dirty dishes, missing clothes and unreceived messages because of a roommate problem.

The Counseling Center is sponsoring a workshop titled "You Are Driving Me Crazy" to help students deal with difficult roommates,

friends and parents.

The workshop starts at 7:30 p.m. today in the Effingham Room of the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union.

The workshop will begin with a generalization of the traits and characteristics of people causing stress in students' lives and will include relationships such as boyfriend/girlfriend, parent/child, roommates and student/professor, said Linda Anderson, a counselor at the

Counseling Center and the workshop facilitator.

It also will include ways to deal with inappropriate actions and feelings when approached with a problem, Anderson said.

The students will put together a profile of the annoying people in their lives and basic student reactions to these individuals, Anderson said.

The profile also includes information on how students usually want to react to situations and how to deal with those feelings of reaction,

she said.

Anderson said she will help students devise a plan to deal with the difficult people in their lives.

The workshop will provide an opportunity for audience interaction and role-playing for those who wish to participate, Anderson said. These interactions will help students learn to deal with many different situations they may encounter in their lives.

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Joining the team

There will be no recounts on the vote for University Professionals of Illinois. The first-year annually contracted faculty voted Thursday to become part of Eastern's chapter of UPI.

Twenty-eight faculty members qualified to vote, but only 16 were present. Of those who did not vote, some were either sick or not able to be in town that day.

However, all 16 of those who did vote chose to become a part of UPI. This number shows that a majority of the group is passionate about the issue and wants to be included in the union and salary contract.

First-year faculty

Allowing "rookie" faculty members to join UPI is a plus both for them and the university.

While they may already get paid the same as those in the union, being a part of the union guarantees that they will continue to receive the minimum retirement and health benefits that any state employee deserves.

In these times of turbulent enrollment figures and budget shortfalls slashing the spending limits of already broke academic departments, a group to fight for these faculty members is needed.

First-year annually contracted faculty are the most vulnerable of all faculty members, and it is good that UPI strives to help them.

The administration, in an unusual sign of compromise, also did a good thing for the university when it peacefully agreed to UPI's giving first-year adjunct faculty the ability to join the union.

This shows the stale air is beginning to clear after the contract negotiations.

Becoming a member of UPI could be an inviting experience for first-year faculty members. They would feel more like a part of the permanent faculty from the moment they began teaching, which would make everyone, including students, just a little happier.

Belonging to UPI is more than just increased salaries or benefits; it is a security net that is all too often needed, and it is, in a sense, becoming a part of the workings of this campus community.

More importantly though, this small event has shown Eastern's ability to work as a whole, and that is always a good sign.

Who wouldn't? With the benefits of the salary contract UPI fought for tooth and nail for almost two years straight, it is easy to see why a first-year teacher would want to be a part of it.

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

Today's quote

“A professional is someone who can do his best work when he doesn't feel like it.”

Alfred Alistair Cooke
author and broadcaster, b. 1908

Free tuition plan doesn't make the grade

Free college tuition for students with a B average. It sounds like a good idea. All you have to do is get Bs and your education is paid for.

This is the plan that Rep. Lou Lang (D-Skokie) has come up with. The state's House Higher Education Committee approved legislation that would provide full scholarships to Illinois' university and community college students. The legislation was approved Thursday by a vote of 9 to 4. The next step for the legislation is to go before the full House.

The legislation also calls for a \$4,700 grant for private university students who earn a B grade point average or better.

During last year's legislative session, Lang sponsored the same legislation and it passed the Higher Education Committee, and then passed in the House by a vote of 74-32. However, when it reached the Illinois Senate, it died.

"As I talk with other parents, whether in Skokie, in Decatur, or Rockford, paying for college is the education topic at our dinner tables," Lang said in a written statement last week. "There is no education reform more important than helping parents pay for college."

Although I agree with Lang that helping parents find a way to pay for college is one of the most important topics in education today, I also don't think this plan is the answer.

Under the legislation, Illinois freshmen entering college must hold a B or better cumulative high school grade point average to be eligible. To maintain the scholarship, a student must earn a cumulative B GPA on a full load of classes at the end of each semester.

Since about 55 percent of state university and community college students maintain a B or better GPA, the price tag for this plan is \$170 million annually.

My question is, where will this money come from? Although the state of Illinois has a surplus right now, that is the exception, not the rule. So how will this program be



Amy Thon
Editor in chief

"Imagine how the problem of grade inflation will be compounded if this program goes into effect."

funded year after year?

Maybe as a graduating senior, I'm just bitter that my family had to pay for college while the next generation gets a free ride, but I think the program has other problems besides the cost.

While some may argue that the scholarship will encourage students to work hard to maintain a B average, I'm not sure it will. Grade inflation has become more of a problem in higher

education and every student has a story about that one class they skipped all the time and still received an A in it when the report card showed up in the mail.

Imagine how the problem of grade inflation will be compounded if this program goes into effect. Professors will be painfully aware that any C they give out comes with a \$4,000 price tag for the student.

Lang points out that universities are putting themselves out of reach of good students with rising tuition. But the state already has many good programs available to help students pay for school. Federal Pell Grants help many students pay for school, not to mention loans, work study and other forms of financial aid. What would happen to all of these programs? Would they simply not be used because all the B average and above students are already paid for, or would they be used for C and D students?

Most Illinois state universities, including this one, saw an increase in the number of freshmen on campus this fall. That means enrollment is going up. That means students and families are finding a way to pay for higher education and many are probably doing this with some form of assistance from the state of Illinois.

The programs already available do enough to encourage students to go to college. We don't need to give nearly everyone a free ride.

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Columnist misses the point about new league

This letter is in response to two Patrick Guinane columns in which he bashed the XFL.

Oooh! Patrick, you can make fun of the XFL like every other sports reporter in the country. Oooh! You can say that the guys who play are bums and that there is no talent in the league. You're quite the big man.

Why don't you stop trying to be cute and funny and start looking at the

good things about the young league?

For instance, in the opening week, Vince McMahon and NBC guaranteed a 4.5 rating. They got a 10.

You said in your column on Feb. 13 that the ratings were only half the second week compared to the first. Well, by my calculations, that is still better than what they guaranteed.

Another positive is that McMahon has brought professional teams to

places that would otherwise not have anything, like Las Vegas or Birmingham, Ala.

And, finally, let us not forget that these players are playing because they love to play football. That is it. It is not for the cash because there isn't any.

Patrick ... can I call you Pat? You need to quit trying to be the next Jim Rome and bring yourself down a few hundred notches. You're just not that good.

Jason Randall
Senior journalism major

Your turn

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Shauna Gustafson/ Staff photographer

Bombs away

Jeffery Compton, sergeant first class with the U.S. Army, talks to James Cameron, a sophomore pre-engineering major, Monday about the aspects of a tank simulator. The army had set up an artillery display in the Klehm Hall parking lot that included the tank simulator and a humvee.

Greek play Lysistrata debuts tonight

Lust, comedy, war central themes presented within the play

By Jennifer Rigg
Activities editor

The Theater Department will present its production of Aristophanes' lusty comedy, Lysistrata, tonight at 7.

The ancient Greek comedy tells the story of a war between two of the city-states, Athens and Sparta, said play director Jerry Eisenhour. The men of Athens and Sparta had already been fighting for 20 years before Aristophanes wrote his play.

Because the women were frustrated with the war they decided to band together and attack the men with a very powerful feminine weapon - they deprived the men of sex until they signed a peace treaty, Eisenhour said. The determined Athenian, Lysistrata, leads the women in their mission.

"This is very outrageous because women in those days were thought of as possessions," Eisenhour said.

The main character, Lysistrata, is played by Camille Garcia, a junior theater major. "I'm really excited about the play," she said.

"Jerry (Eisenhour) has revised it so the language is easier to understand so that the main objective can come across easier to an

“It will offend some people, but if they keep a sense of humor, they’ll enjoy it ... it’s funny.”

Jerry Eisenhour,
director of the play

audience. We’re all having a really great time doing it.”

Later in the play, as a result of the women withholding sex, the men start to show “definite signs” of deprivation from sex, Eisenhour said. “This is where some people will get offended,” he said.

“What Aristophanes was trying to do was show how ridiculous (the war) was,” Eisenhour said. “(Aristophanes) was a very bold and bawdy playwright.”

Because of the signs of deprivation that the men show, Eisenhour said that some who attend the production will walk away a little offended.

“It will offend some people, but if they keep a sense of humor

they’ll enjoy it...it’s funny,” he said. “The cast has really been having fun with it.”

Garcia said she really believes that everyone is going to be fine with the scenes in the play. “I think they’ll really enjoy it and have a good time with it,” she said.

“Even if they aren’t (fine with it), the set and the costumes are so colorful that its like eye candy,” she said.

In Aristophanes’ play, the women win their battle against the war and the men sign the treaty ending the war. However, in reality, the war went on for another seven years before a treaty was signed.

The play will be performed tonight through Friday at 7 p.m. in the Doudna Fine Arts Center, and a special matinee presentation is scheduled for 2 p.m. on Sunday.

Tickets for the production are available at the theater box office or by phone at 581-3110 between 1 and 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. Tickets will also be sold one hour prior to each performance.

Tickets are \$8 for adults, \$6 for seniors faculty and staff and \$3.50 for students. No one under the age of 17 will be admitted.

Faculty Senate to review models of technology today

By Joseph Ryan
Administration editor

The Faculty Senate Tuesday will continue to review the administrative models for technology at Eastern, and members will hear an update from the vice president of academic affairs search committee.

The Technology Enhanced and Delivered Education steering committee released three proposed models for the administration of technology. The committee is requesting feedback until March 2.

At the last senate meeting, Senate Chair James Tidwell, journalism professor, appointed Pat Fewell, secondary education professor, and Gary Canivez, psychology professor, to put together a recommendation for the senate concerning the TEDE models.

Some senate members voiced approval of administrative model B and parts of administrative model C.

“I’d like to describe the models as one that coordinates existing units, one that moves existing units and one that creates existing units,” said Bob Augustine, chair of TEDE and dean of the graduate school.

The senate also will hear an update on the progress of the vice president for academic affairs search committee.

John Best, psychology professor, said the committee is attempting to cut the number of applications from 46 to eight, so those eight could be interviewed in Indianapolis.

Best said references of the applicants were being contacted with a written set of questions to be asked of them.

In other business, the senate will discuss their sponsorship of a tea party for international students on April 25 and the distinguished faculty award.

Nominations, applications are now being accepted for ‘Who’s Who’ college students, forms now available

By Lisa DeGross
Staff writer

Outstanding students across campus will have the opportunity for national recognition by being nominated for the Who’s Who Among Students in American Universities Program.

The Student Life Office is currently accepting nominations for the Who’s Who program which annually honors students with exceptional academic and extracurricular achievements.

CeCi Brinker, director of Student Life, said up to 100 awards could be distributed; however this campus usually receives

between 30 and 40 nominations. Last year, about 40 were chosen to receive awards and two or three were denied because of incomplete applications or failure to meet the requirements.

Anyone may be nominated, but must meet the qualifications set by the Student Life Office, Brinker said.

Candidate requirements include a nomination by a university administration, faculty or staff member and 60 hours or more of completed undergraduate work.

Also required are a minimum grade point average of 3.0, significant university and community

achievement and a letter of recommendation.

The Student Life Office staff chose the recipients based on their qualifications.

Winners receive a congratulatory letter from both the local and national Who’s Who offices, a certificate and inclusion in the national encyclopedia of Who’s Who winners, she said.

“It’s a good program to recognize outstanding students,” Brinker said. However, she said, “Be mindful of the deadline.”

Applications can be picked up at the the Student Life Office and must be submitted by Friday, March 2.

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Liquor licenses to be discussed

By Amber Williams
City editor

The City Council will vote today on changing one of the city's Class E package liquor licenses to a Class D restaurant license.

The City Council will meet at 7:30 p.m. at City Hall.

Since the liquor store Grape and Grain closed, the city has had an extra Class E license that is going unused, said Mayor Dan Cougill. Cougill said he would like to change that to a restaurant license to assist more businesses.

"We always like to help out restaurants," Cougill said.

The city has no more restaurant licenses left after the last one was given to Angie's Pizza for its new

restaurant location.

The council will decide whether to enter into a lease agreement with Vesuvius, USA to receive 0.4 acres of land to be used for parking for city employees, Cougill said.

The lease agreement is for \$45 per month for 19 years for employees of the street, maintenance and utility departments.

Diane Schaefer, assistant professor sociology and anthropology, will give a 20 minute presentation addressing the problems with storm water along South Douglas Drive.

"(The problem) is worse than I thought it was," Cougill said.

Another item on the agenda will be to authorize the city to sell

a Kabota tractor that the city does not need because it has begun to contract out park maintenance projects, Cougill said.

The tractor will be sold on the Internet at www.ebay.com for a minimum of \$4,000, and there also will be an advertisement in the Charleston Times Courier.

Another item on the agenda is an ordinance to close Sixth Street between Olive and Locust avenues next to Ted's Warehouse, which the community center could use for a recreation area, Cougill said.

The ordinance approving Gary and Mildred Wright to build a 960 square foot garage at 320 N. Sixth St. will be brought before the City Council again tonight.

Debate museum opens new exhibits

Visitors can be interactive with the past

By Amber Williams
City editor

The Lincoln Douglas debate museum is opening new exhibits to give the public a view of the debates that occurred in Charleston over 100 years ago.

The debate museum, 126 E St., opened up one new exhibit last weekend and plans to open up three more in the upcoming week, said Rick Riccio, exhibit designer for the debate museum.

The stereopticon exhibit that opened Sunday gives visitors a three dimensional view of what Abraham Lincoln looked like.

Visitors will look through an eyepiece and see a view of Lincoln that dates back to the early 1850s, Riccio said.

One of the new exhibits set to open this weekend is a video animation of the route that Lincoln traveled on his trip throughout Illinois to seven different debate sites.

The animation shows the route that Lincoln took as well as his means of transportation.

"The animation shows you how he traveled," Riccio said.

Lincoln traveled over 3,500 miles during his trip through Illinois in 1958 and stopped in many towns just to talk to people, Riccio said.

Another exhibit at the museum will give visitors information about each of the seven debate

sites in Illinois.

The exhibit allows visitors to press a button for each of the seven locations and hear 30 seconds of the speech given by Lincoln and Stephen Douglas.

The speeches are narrated by B.F. McClerren and Tony Oseguera, who often portray Lincoln and Douglas during debate re-enactments.

The final exhibit for the museum is an etched glass window that will portray what Lincoln and Douglas looked like while giving the debates.

The window faces the actual platform on which the two gave the debates and it will be lit up, Riccio said.

The museum already has a children's exhibit where children can put their heads in a cutout of Lincoln or Douglas or put their hands in a replica of Lincoln's hand or a foot in Lincoln's boot.

There is also a small theater in the museum that plays a 12 minute re-enactment of the debate that was broadcast on CSPAN, Riccio said.

Charleston is one of 11 cities in Illinois chosen by the state to be a representative for the "Looking for Lincoln" program because of the historical element of the city.

Charleston is also the only town to have a museum dedicated to the events of the debates.

"Nowhere else is this story being told," Riccio said.

President relaxed at his ranch before traveling this week to increase funding for education

CRAWFORD, Texas (AP) — President Bush spent Sunday relaxing on his ranch, gearing up for a week of travel designed to dampen Democratic criticisms that he cannot cut taxes without hurting popular government programs.

Bush did not venture into public Sunday, even for church. He left the ranch for a few minutes Saturday night to stop by an inaugural ball thrown at the local community center by their neighbors — at least those who live about as close as one can get to a 1,600-acre spread on the Texas prairie.

The Bushes rode in a limousine and spent about 10 minutes among the townspeople, whose attire ran the gamut from blue jeans and cowboy boots to tuxedos and

gowns. Some partygoers, armed with cameras, posed beside standing cutouts of the president's parents, former President and Barbara Bush.

Bush scheduled visits this week to Ohio, Missouri and Tennessee to lay the groundwork for the budget and tax-cutting proposals he will present to Congress on Feb. 27.

Republican lawmakers warned last week that Bush's \$1.6 trillion tax-cut plan was in trouble. Polls show that Americans favor tax cuts, but do not want the reductions to come at the expense of popular government actions, such as school dollars and reducing the debt.

Democrats are arguing that Bush's tax cut plan would increase the debt and threaten government

programs. Bush's goal is to show Americans that it is possible to have both a steep tax cut and increased funding for education.

Before any of that, though, Bush was heading to Oklahoma for the dedication of a museum at the Oklahoma City National Memorial Center, a monument to the April 19, 1995 bombing that killed 168 people, including 19 children, at the Alfred P. Murrah Federal Building.

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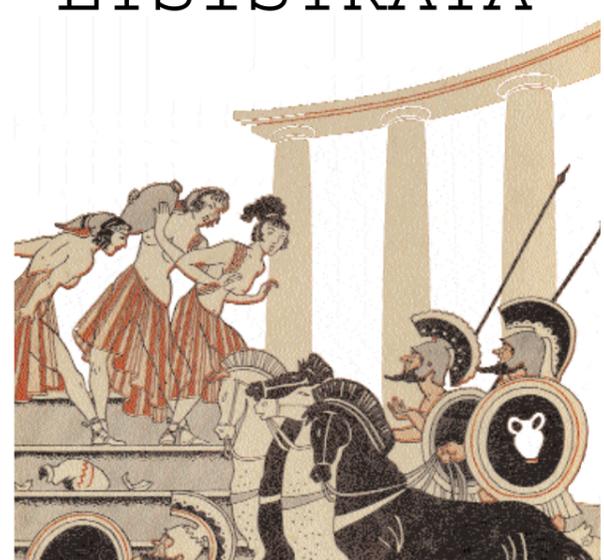
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Eastern finds enrollment help

By Joseph Ryan
Administration editor

When the citizens in the movie "Ghostbusters" were in trouble, they called the Ghostbusters. When Eastern was in trouble, it called the former vice president of student services at Lake Land.

Eastern has hired Larry Larvick, former vice president for student services at Lake Land College in Mattoon, for help with the decreasing transfer student enrollment.

Larvick began his part-time position for Eastern Feb. 1.

"One of the reasons we found him so attractive for the position was

because of his extensive experience with community college transfer students," said Frank Hohengarten, dean of enrollment management.

"We felt he was needed because the number of transfer student applications, and enrollments have been declining for the past couple of years, and we want to stop that trend," Hohengarten said.

Eastern's transfer student enrollment this fall semester decreased 149 students, from 1,007 the previous fall to 858 this fall.

While Eastern's transfer student enrollment saw a decline in the fall semester, Illinois State University and Western Illinois University experi-

enced an increase.

Larvick, who has nearly 30 years of experience in higher education, will regularly visit the state's community colleges in an effort to recruit transfer students, and he will be there to help those students during the transition process, said Lou Hencken, vice president for student affairs, in a press release.

Hohengarten said Larvick also will work to improve relations with the administration and counselors at the various state community colleges.

"He will also be working on campus to look at the things we can do to make Eastern more attractive to transfer students," Hohengarten said.

Newspaper program forum to be held tonight

By Shauna Gustafson
Development director

Coordinators from USA Today will be on campus tonight for a forum on the future of the residence hall newspaper program.

The forum will be held at 5 p.m. today in Room 127 of Lumpkin Hall.

Kristen Rutter, student vice president for academic affairs, said the

group will be on campus during the day doing surveys in Stevenson, Taylor and Carman Hall to evaluate student opinion of the program.

Rutter said the USA Today group usually stops on campuses with the newspaper program during the spring of each year to evaluate the program on each campus.

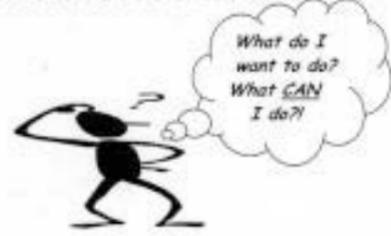
"They like to do a follow up just to make sure everything is doing well,"

Rutter said.

Discussion of the cost of the program was held at the housing forum Monday, and Rutter said the future of the newspaper program depends on if students want to continue paying for the newspapers. Currently the program is funded through housing fees.

"If we have this forum tomorrow and students don't want to pay, then so be it," she said.

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The 12 month contract calls for 19.5 hours per week beginning June 1, 2001. Selected applicant must be admitted to the EIU graduate school program and take classes during the summer term. The following items are required for application: EIU Graduate Assistantship Application, Statement of Personal Goals, copy of official transcripts, resume/vita, minimum of two letters of reference or recommendation. These items should be submitted by March 1, 2001 to: Eric Davidson, MA, CADP; EIU Health Education Resource Center - Health Services, 600 Lincoln Avenue, Charleston, Illinois 61920.

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NAACP meeting 2/21 at 8pm in the Black House. Election will be held. For serious people only bring a \$10 membership fee.

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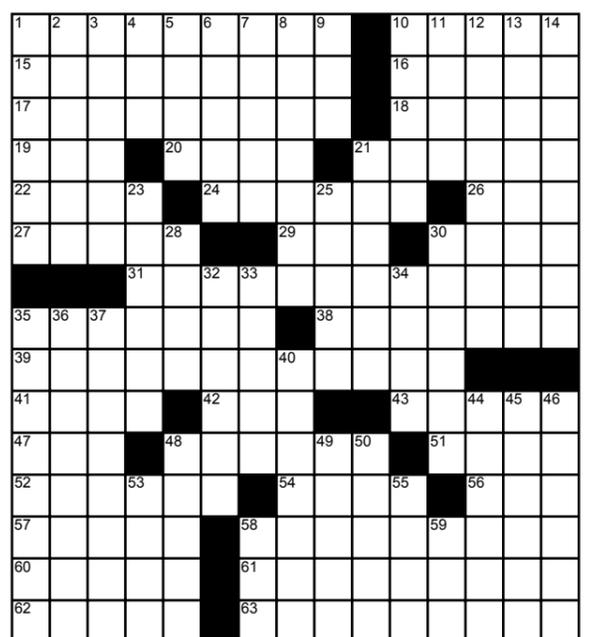
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Senior guard Kyle Hill drives down the baseline past an Austin Peay opponent in the Panthers' win over the Governors at home earlier this season.

Hill

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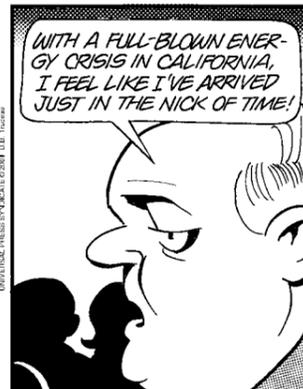
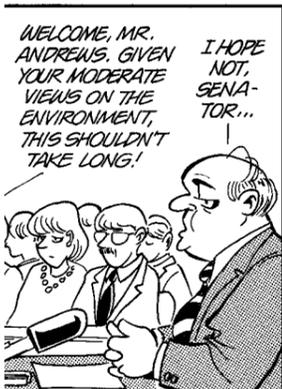
and four assists per game this season. "Kyle is the type of player that cannot only help us by scoring points for us," Samuels said. "But he can also get us the big rebound and make the pass to set up his teammates." The guard was especially vital to the Panthers cause Saturday when he scored 22 of 30 points in the second half of Eastern's game against OVC rival Southeast Missouri State. "Kyle's offense really kept us in the game Saturday night, and really put us in position to win the game," Samuels said "I just wish that he wouldn't have waited until the second half to turn it on." One problem that Hill might face in the season's last few games before the conference tournament is the fatigue factor, seeing that he is averaging 38 minutes a game this season. "You know we have some space to get Kyle a rest here and there during the game," Samuels said. "But I still see the fire in his eyes, and he is a kid that never wants to come out. "He is a kid that can run all day, and I think that he has realized that he might not have too many more games here and has really been able to elevate his game. "And while it may not be as obvious to the spectator he has become such a leader in the locker room, the weight room and in practice for our team to really look to."

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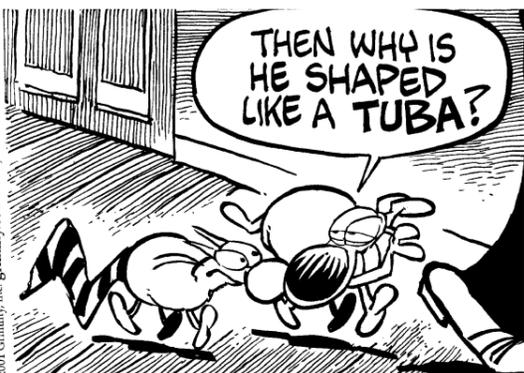
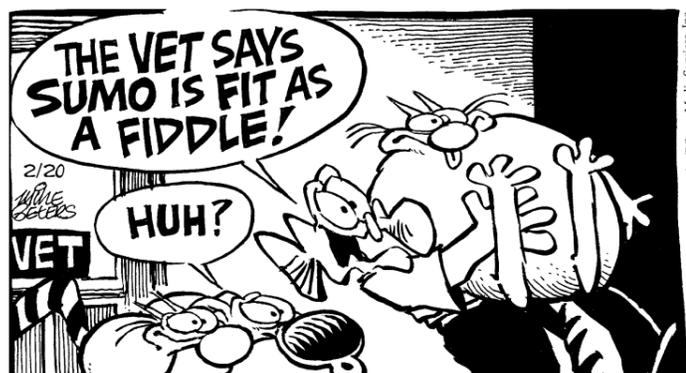
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Tennis teams fight through busy weekend

By Sean Watson
Staff Writer

Eastern's men's and women's tennis teams had a busy weekend in Chicago and Indianapolis this past weekend.

The men's team (4-3) led by No. 1 player Blazej Tondel won their match Friday at Chicago State University (0-3) 6-1.

From there they traveled to Indiana where they beat the University of Indianapolis (2-3) on Saturday, 8-1.

"This was a true team victory, everyone chipped in," head tennis coach Michael Hunt said of the men's win at Indianapolis.

The men's winning streak ended despite strong efforts from Lukasz Pluta and C.J. Weber Sunday in Indianapolis with a 5-2 loss to Butler University (3-6).

The Bulldogs are currently ranked is No. 17 in the Midwest region.

"Pluta and Weber are both in a real good groove for us," Hunt said. "Both Plunta and Weber have benefitted from Tondel being

our No. 1 guy."

The women's team (5-4), led by No. 1 player Becky Brunner, also traveled to Chicago State where they defeated the Cougars 6-1 on Saturday.

"Becky Carlson and Caryn Hague led the way for us against Chicago State," Hunt said.

The women's team lost to recently-ranked DePaul University (3-7) 7-0 Saturday night. They then were shut out by the University of Illinois-Chicago (4-4) 7-0 on Sunday.

"I feel we played like we have been intimidated and did not play to our potential," Hunt said of the women's performance.

"The losses were very encouraging to us," Hunt said. "We hope to build on this," he said. "It was a learning weekend."

The women travel to Ohio this weekend to take on Dayton Saturday before visiting St. Francis on Sunday.

The men are off until March 3 when they travel to play DePaul.



Sara Figiel/ Photo editor

Jason Braun, a member of the tennis team, practices in the Lantz Fieldhouse.

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Because of the fines, Cuban has been ripped publically by media all over for being a spoiled owner who has no respect for money or the league. I see Mark Cuban as the best owner in sports today.

Realistically, are there any owners in sports who have a lot of respect for money? Jerry Riensdorf, owner of the Chicago Bulls, is actually paying for Brad Miller's services at center, and if that's not a blatant disrespect for the all-mighty dollar, I don't know what is.

The bottom line is that the money Cuban has lost has been either in defense of the Mavericks or to better his team, and there are very few, if any, owners out there that I could say that about.

Earlier this season, Cuban was fined \$250,000 for showing disgust on a controversial no-call against the Mavericks on a shot that could have tied the game on the Dallas Reunion's big screen televisions. After the game Cuban was quoted as saying, "The ref's were pitiful tonight and I don't care if I get fined."

Grant it, Cuban's actions may have been a little childish, but was he saying anything that any other Maverick's fan at the game wasn't thinking? It seems like David Stern is making it extremely diffi-

cult for Cuban to be a fan of his own team. Another example of this happened on Jan. 11 when Cuban accompanied his team for a game in Minnesota.

Cuban was sitting behind his team's bench when he noticed a seat on the base line open. He moved into that seat, saying there was not enough room behind the bench and he wanted to "watch the game and pay attention to what was going on."

When the rightful owner of the seat showed up, Cuban moved without any confrontation and sat on the Mav's bench next to the team trainers. Simple enough, right? Well, not for Stern and the league officials who ended up fining Cuban \$100,000 for not sitting behind the bench.

"I guess it was a technical foul for sitting in a spot not reserved for owners," Cuban said after the incident. "Seriously, I have no clue what I did wrong. If it weren't so insulting, it would be comical."

The way Cuban has been perceived by the media has been anything but comical. The chalupe incident on Feb. 15 has portrayed Cuban as being a pompous owner, sticking his nose in where it did not belong.

But when Knicks coach Jeff Van Gundy wrapped his leg around Miami center Alonzo Mourning during a play-off brawl a couple of years ago, he was seen as a leader who would go to battle for his team.

Even after the whole encounter Cuban told reporters, "These (the

Mavericks) are people I care about. When something like that happens your instinct isn't to worry what the rule book is going to say.

"Guys are pounding my guys' heads off the floor, what am I supposed to do?"

The whole incident has been focused on Cuban and has completely ignored the thug-like tactics of Person, who said after the game, "This is bigger than a chalupe. They had a chance to run out the clock and get off the court, but their coach is over there calling plays with 10 seconds left. That is totally disrespectful to our team and to our players."

Heaven forbid Person and his teammates play defense for the final seconds of the game.

When you think about it, this incident would have never taken place if the Cavaliers could play a lick of defense during the first 47:50 of the game.

But let's look at Cuban as the jackass owner of the whole league, instead of focusing on how he has turned a team that has not even come close to the playoffs in the 1990s into one of the most exciting teams in the NBA.

The Mavericks are a serious contender for big-time free agents such as Chris Webber and Shariff Abdur-Rahim, and most importantly, a playoff contender.

It is amazing how an owner showing a true love for his team can change the franchise's course.

I guess that explains the route the Bulls are currently traveling.

Leader

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points and I felt so bad," Schaul said. "I felt like I let the team down. My dad told me to learn from the Tech game and be fired up against SEMO."

Schaul was fired up for the road game as she scored a game-high 25 points as the Panthers plastered SEMO by 23 points. Schaul said that kind of support from her father has helped guide her throughout her collegiate experience.

"My dad has always critiqued my game, and he told me to correct the things I didn't do against Tech to be ready at SEMO," she said.

Not only does Schaul receive support from her family, but from teammates as well.

"The other seniors have done a great job, and all four of us have bonded in a way that no one else has," Schaul said. "We all wanted to have a better season than we have so far, but these last few games we've really pulled together."

Schaul, along with Colleen McShane, Portery Scott and Angie Russell have used their senior leadership on the team to help guide the younger players throughout the season. While Schaul may not be the most vocal leader on the team, her hard work

and leadership by example has taught the other players what is expected on the court.

"The younger kids have learned from her," assistant coach Zareth Gray said. "We'll miss her as a captain."

"We have young kids who can step up and do it, but she's a leader and we'll miss that," she said. "With Renee, she's not going to be a vocal leader, but she leads by example."

"She's making sure everyone is at the right place at the right time, especially with all the freshmen this season," Gray added."

While Renee has always worked hard on the court, this year's role as a leader is something she had to adjust to this season.

"My role has changed throughout the years," Schaul said. "My role now is to be a scorer and fill the holes that are there."

And the hard work put forth by Schaul this season has led to Eastern's recent success, winning two of its last three games.

"I think a lot of my teammates respect me for working hard," Schaul said. "Good things happen to those who work hard, and the hard work pays off."

"It's her hustle - she really is determined," Gray said. "She doesn't let one thing get to her. If she misses a shot, she keeps on going and still tries to go hard."

"She's added the hard work to the team," she said. "She goes out and does whatever we ask her to do."

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XFL gets tackled in ratings department

If an XFL game falls on a Saturday and no one watches, does it make a sound? NBC is hearing the ratings drop loud and clear.

The ratings decreased about another 25 percent Saturday to a paltry 3.8, which is about a third of how many viewers tuned in for the first game.

There are seven games left before the playoffs, and the league is already yesterday's news.

In Saturday night's game, the Los Angeles Xtreme defeated the Las Vegas Outlaws 12-9 on the strength of LA kicker Jose Cortez's bare foot.

The Outlaws did score a touchdown, but the score doesn't reflect that because in the XFL, teams don't kick extra points — they have to run a play.

This makes the point after as sure a thing as a Shaq free throw.

While he wasn't kicking extra points, Cortez earned his paycheck with four field goals, including a game-winning kick as time expired. With his

weekly salary of \$3,000, along with the \$2,500 bonus for the winning team, Cortez made just under \$1,400 a kick.

The third quarter featured a sponta-

Fourth and 20



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neous dance-off between the two teams' cheerleaders that was as fake as their cleavage.

How does that saying go? Kicking wins games but cheerleaders win championships.

Usually only the home team has their cheerleaders at the game, so I imagine that doubling up on the sideline entertainment is only the first of what promises to be many attempts by Vince McMahon to inject story lines into the league.

Another subplot was that two Xtreme players changed their uniforms to welcome Rod "He Hate Me" Smart to Los Angeles.

Shawn Stuckey, No. 53 had his jersey changed to say "I Hate He," and fellow linebacker Juan Long, No. 46, had his jer-

sey read, "I Hate He Too." This practice may be great for rivalries, but it's a big blow to grammar teachers.

On Saturday, the league's allowance of "bump and run" defense led to more flags than a United Nations' Conference.

Saturday's game was so enthralling that I found myself flipping channels to watch the Bulls, who by the way have a better winning percentage than the Chicago Enforcers, who limp into town 0-3 for their first home game at Soldier Field Saturday night.

Three weeks into the season, the Chicago team is tied for the worst record in the league.

The XFL mimics the NFL more and more every week. Oh, by the way, tickets for Saturday's game start at \$19.

Murray State's Spencer named OVC player of the week

BRENTWOOD, Tenn. (AP) — The Ohio Valley Conference named Issac Spencer of Murray State its player of the week on Monday.

Spencer scored 57 points and pulled down 25 rebounds to help his

team to road wins at Morehead State and Eastern Kentucky. He shot 53.7 percent from the floor, and was 13-of-16 from the free-throw line.

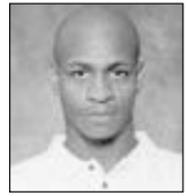
Brian Foster of Tennessee-Martin was named newcomer of the

week for the third consecutive time for his 42 points in the Skyhawks' two games last week.

Foster shot 70.4 percent from the floor against Morehead State and Eastern Kentucky.

Rookie honors went to Adrian Henning of Austin Peay.

The freshman sunk 7-of-8 from the free-throw line — making four in the final 25 seconds to seal a 78-74 win over Belmont.



Murray State's Issac Spencer is named OVC player of the week.

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The Big Show



Derek Cuculich
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Mav's Cuban the best owner in sports today

On Friday, Dallas Maverick's owner Mark Cuban was suspended by NBA Commissioner David Stern for two games and fined \$10,000 for running onto the court during a late-game scuffle between Maverick's forward Gary Trent and Cleveland Cavaliers guard Wesley Person last Thursday.

For those of you who are out of the loop, the Mav's were up 98-81 with 10 seconds left in the game and looking to hit 100 points so that fans in attendance could receive a coupon for 99 cent chalu-pas at a local fast food restaurant. With the game well in hand, Trent hit a jump shot from the top of the key while Person tackled him to the ground and tried to bounce Trent's head off the floor.

In the midst of the fight, Cuban, who was sitting court side, charged the floor to protect his players. Once he realized that he was out of his element, Cuban backed off and returned to his seat without confronting anyone on the court. This was not the first time Cuban has been fined this season. In fact, he has been fined six times for a grand total of \$405,000.

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Hill leads Eastern down stretch run

By Anthony Braviere
 Staff writer

As the season comes into its final stretch, Eastern's men's basketball team will look to Kyle Hill to lead them into the postseason.

The senior, who has been one of the main cogs in Eastern's offense for the last three years, is once again the go to guy for the Panthers.

"He is the type of guy that can really put this team on his shoulders," Eastern's head coach Rick Samuels said.

Hill's numbers have improved every year since he got to Charleston, and this, his senior season, has been the crown jewel of his career.

"We have seen a tremendous jump in Kyle's performance every year he has been here," Samuels said. "But it has not only been his play on the court, but his maturity on and off the court has improved as well."

The stats that the preseason all-Ohio Valley Conference guard are good enough to win him the OVC Player of the Year award, not to mention be put



He is the type of guy that can really put this team on his shoulders.

Rick Samuels,
 Head basketball coach

back on the All-OVC team.

Hill is the second leading scorer in the OVC with two games left in the regular season, averaging 22.2 points per game, which is just a point behind teammate Henry Domercant for the scoring title in the conference.

But scoring isn't the only way he has helped Eastern to their 16-9 overall record and a 9-5 record in league.

Hill also has good numbers in other aspects of his game that has made him one of the most complete players in the OVC. He is averaging 5.2 rebounds

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Top Cat

"I think my teammates respect me for working hard"

Leader of the pack



Bill Ruthhart/Staff photographer

Panther senior guard Renee Schaul attempts to drive past Tennessee Tech's Rachael Gobble in the Panthers' loss to the Golden Eagles Feb. 12 at Lantz Gymnasium. Schaul scored a game-high 25 points in Eastern's win Saturday at SEMO.

Senior guard Schaul paces Panthers on, off basketball court

Editor's note: Top Cat is a weekly series taking an in-depth look at Eastern's top athlete from the previous week. Winners are selected just once. Selection is made by the Daily Eastern News sports staff.

By Kristin Rojek
 Associate sports editor

With just two regular season games remaining in her collegiate career, senior guard Renee Schaul's primary focus is on the playoffs next week.

"I'm going to do whatever it takes to beat Morehead Thursday," Schaul said. "And after that I'll worry about Eastern Kentucky."

The senior from Park Ridge has made contributions throughout her collegiate career, but this year she serves as the Panthers' leading scorer. Schaul had a game-high 25 points against Southeast Missouri and continues to assume her leadership role for Eastern.

While the senior guard has led the team in scoring, last Monday's game against Tennessee Tech was a low point in the season.

"Against Tech, I only had 9

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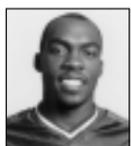
Close, but no cigar

Here's who had a good week but didn't quite make our cut for Top Cat of the week



Quincy Jackson, freshman jumper

Won the triple jump at the Friday Night Special with his personal best indoor performance the first time he ever competed in the event at the collegiate level. Jackson also won the high jump and the long jump at the Panthers' first home meet of the year



Henry Domercant, soph. forward

The nation's second-leading scorer remains an offensive force to be reckoned with. Domercant scored 23 points in Eastern's two-point road loss to SEMO. He also posted a double-double with 18 points and 10 rebounds against Tennessee Tech.



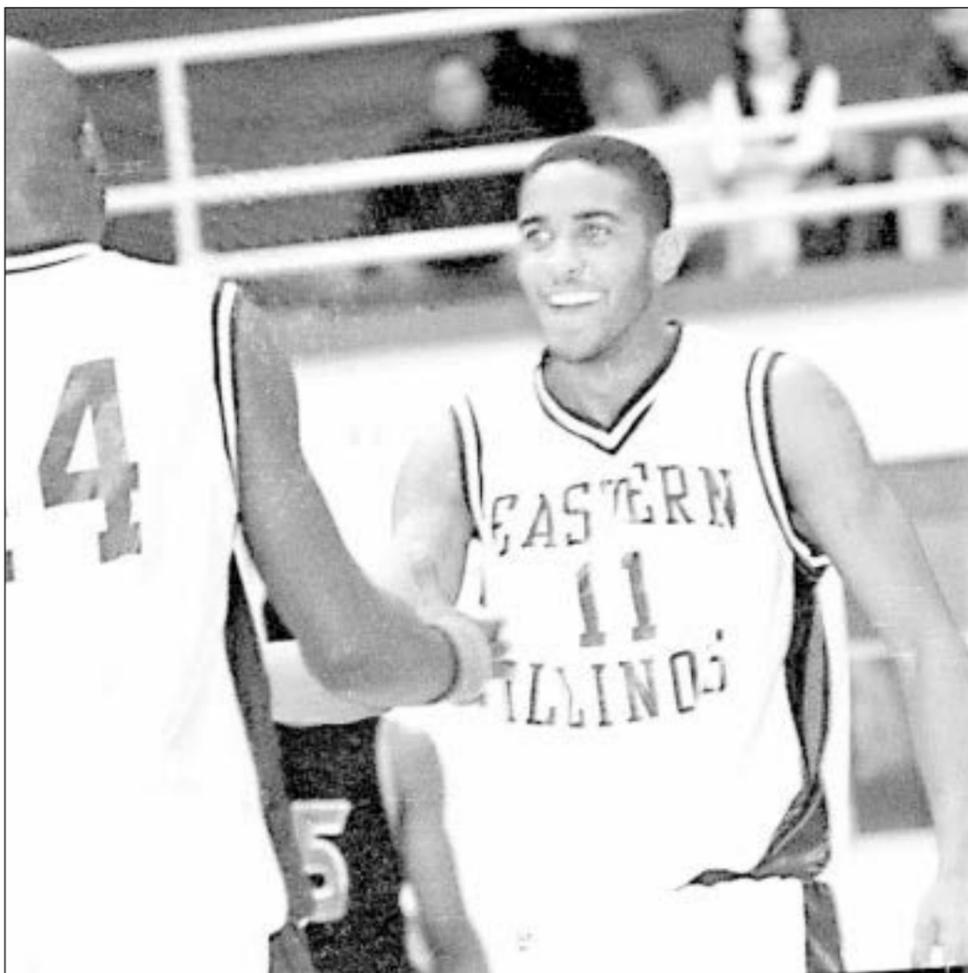
Pam O'Connor, freshman center

The freshman center continues to put up solid numbers for the Panthers, who have won two of their last three games. O'Connor had 20 points, seven rebounds, five assists and three steals in Eastern's 25-point win at Southeast Missouri St.



Kyle Hill, senior guard

The senior captain carried Eastern in its road loss to SEMO, scoring 30 points, 22 of them in the second half. He also had five steals in the game. Hill put up 23 points, eight rebounds and five assists in the home win over Tennessee Tech.



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Panther senior guard Kyle Hill gets congratulated by teammate Henry Domercant after the Panthers' win over Murray State at home earlier this season.