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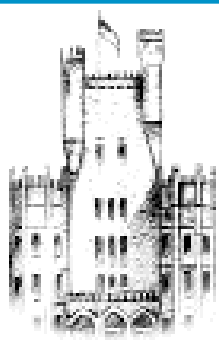
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Legislation would help fund-raising

University, EIU Foundation agree with Sen. Durbin's legislation

By Pat Guinane
Administration editor

Two of Eastern's chief fund-raisers agree that a senate bill intended to bolster faith-based charities could help the university increase donations.

Jill Nilsen, vice president for external relations, and Jon Laible, director of the EIU Foundation, both agree the legislation could help Eastern's fund-raising efforts.

The legislation, which would allow people over the age of 59 1/2 to donate money from their individual retirement accounts without paying taxes, was co-sponsored by one of Illinois' senators.

U.S. Sen. Dick Durbin (D-IL) introduced the IRA Charitable Rollover Act of 2001 along with Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison (R-Texas).

Laible said the bill would help the foundation, which is not directly affiliated with Eastern, but is a major solicitor of funds for the university.

"It will help not only Eastern, but all charities, actually," Laible said. "IRAs and tax-deferred annuity accounts grow tax free but when you take it out then you have to pay income tax."

The provision would allow donors to make larger gifts from their retirement funds because they would no longer have to pay a tax on that gift, Laible said. Essentially, a donor would take out the same amount of money, but the university would get more of it, because there would be no taxes.

The bill would unlock billions

of dollars in savings Americans hold, making them available to charity, according to a press release from Durbin's office.

"Our legislation will allow individuals to roll assets from an individual retirement account into a charity or a deferred charitable gift plan without incurring any income tax consequences. Thus the donation would be made to charity without ever withdrawing it as income and paying tax on it," the release stated.

"I for one would use it as a means of making some of the contributions I make and I'm certain there are others," Laible said.

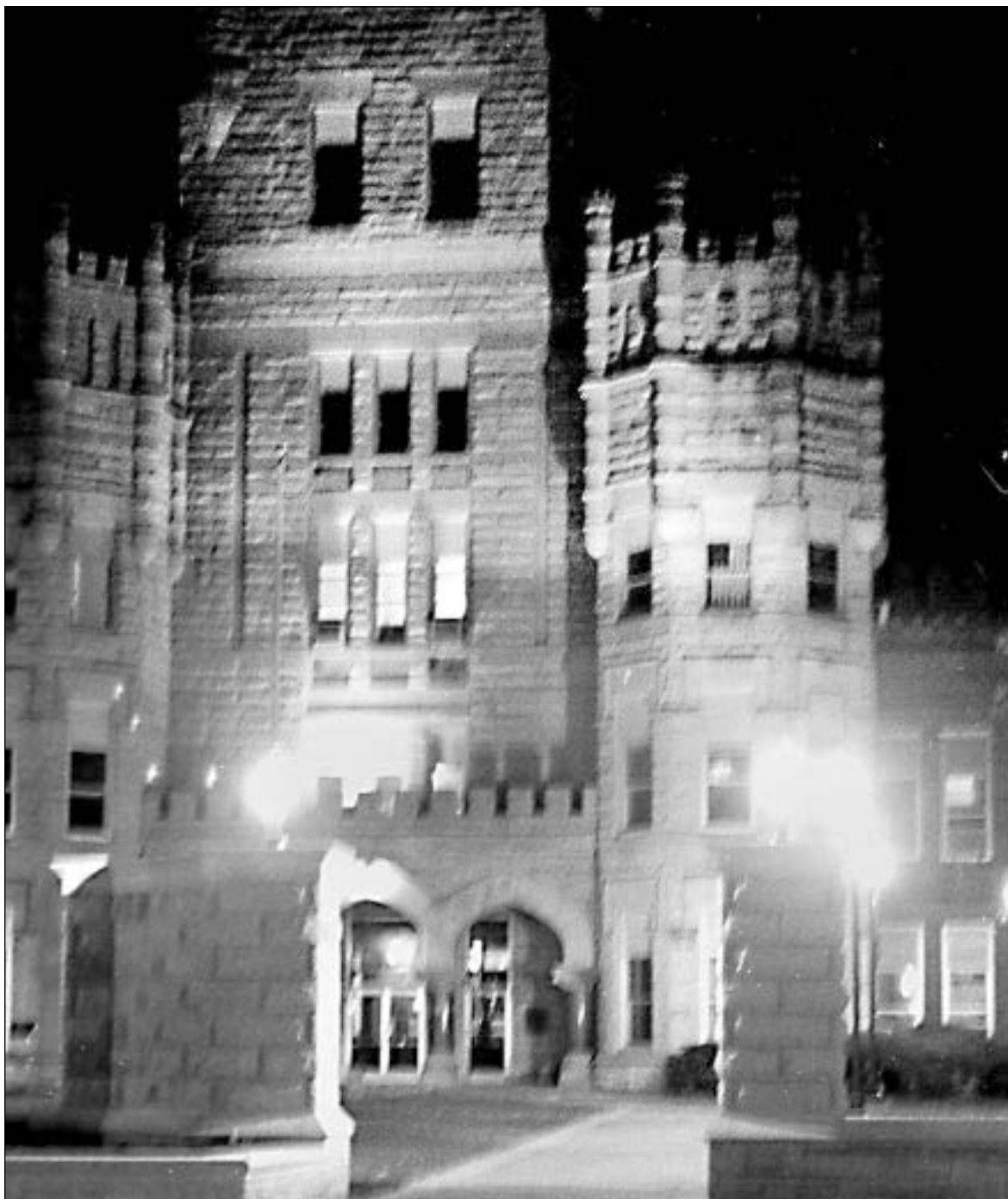
Nilsen, who heads the university's in-house fund-raising campaigns agrees that the legislation could help Eastern solicit more and larger donations.

"It would be a great thing for any potential donor. It looks like it would be a win-win (situation) for the donor and for the charity, in this case the university," she said. "Any way that we can increase the benefit to the donor for philanthropic giving is a benefit to the university."

Georgetown University, the Art Institute of Chicago, the University of Chicago, the Field Museum, Northwestern University and the Chicago Symphony are among 100 groups in Illinois that support the bill, according to the release.

Laible said the foundation has not made any plans to ask members of Congress to support the legislation, but he would be delighted if it would pass into law.

"I think it would be a real positive thing for the foundation and other charities," he said.



Kate Mitchell/associate photo editor

The delivery of the fencing that is slated to go between the stone pillars in front of Old Main has been delayed because of a design flaw that would have deteriorated in severe weather.

Old Main waiting on fencing

By Jessica Danielewicz
Campus editor

Fences have stayed in front of Old Main longer than planned because of a delay in obtaining the aluminum fencing, medallion and lettering because of concerns that it would not hold up in severe weather.

Rob Shoots, project manager from Shoots Construction of Lerna, the firm handling the construction of the pillars in front of Old Main, said the delay in receiving the aluminum fencing was because additional designing was necessary to be sure it would hold

up.

"It required some additional design to make sure it would hold what it was designed to hold," Shoots said.

A 3-foot bronze sign bearing the university's name and logo will hang on the fencing, he said.

He said the delays were unanticipated.

The process of redesigning the fencing took time as does anything else, Shoots said. In addition, orders of ornamental items such as flag poles rose after the Sept. 11 attacks, which delayed the process further.

Inclement weather also was a cause for delay, Shoots said. First

the area experienced extreme heat and then had a couple weeks of rain.

"It wasn't an ideal season to be working," Shoots said.

Carol Strode, interim director of Facilities Planning and Management, said in an e-mail that the fencing is expected to be delivered and installed the last week of November.

Additional delays were experienced because some sections of bricks had to be redone, Strode said.

The landscaping project began

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Evidence presented in Mertz murder trial today

By Meg McNichols
City editor

Anthony B. Mertz, the accused in the case of the choking death of Eastern student Shannon McNamara on July 12, will be in court today.

The hearing is scheduled for

1:30 p.m., and Paula Phillips, defense attorney, will attempt to introduce evidence found in Mertz's Fourth Street apartment.

The evidence, Phillips said in court Nov. 6, could help Mertz's defense, but the owner of the property refused to hand over any items to Phillips until Mertz settles a debt.

Phillips said she would subpoena the property owner to appear before Circuit Court Judge Dale Cini on Nov. 21, if none of the items are recovered by that time.

Mertz, 25, a former Eastern student, is scheduled to stand trial on Jan. 22. If convicted on the six counts of first degree murder, Mertz could face the death penal-

ty.

Mertz was arrested after police found evidence in and around McNamara's apartment linking him to the crime, including a credit card in his name.

State's attorney Steve Ferguson will have assistance from attorney Ed Parkinson of the Illinois Appellate Prosecutor's office.

"We have worked with him (Parkinson) on other cases, and I thought it would be a wise thing to do (this time)," Ferguson said. "Get more heads involved in it because death penalty cases are complex."

Parkinson has had experience in other death penalty cases, Ferguson said.

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Poets Gerald Murray and Kevin Stein read selections from their recently published poetry collection, *Illinois Voices: An Anthology of Twentieth-Century Poetry* Thursday evening in the Tarble Arts Center.

Poets deliver anthology

By Rachel Sefton
Staff writer

Two poets delivered readings saturated with the words of Illinois poets Thursday night at the Tarble Arts Center.

Gerald Murray and Kevin Stein read selections from their recently published poetry collection, "Illinois Voices: An Anthology of Twentieth-Century Poetry."

Murray and Stein were asked by the University of Illinois Press to take on the project of gathering works by poets throughout the centuries, but they said they believed twentieth-century poets, particularly those from Illinois, deserved to be the focus of the anthology.

"There's a lot of seminal poetry that only comes from Illinois," Murray said. "In Illinois, one can find an entire range of everything that's happening in all of American poetry,"

he said.

Murray and Stein said the Chicago Renaissance, the publication of *Poetry Magazine* and the emergence of poet Gwendolyn Brooks have all contributed to the significance of Illinois poetry.

The founder of *Poetry Magazine*, Harriet Monroe, was a poet herself. Her work improved greatly after the magazine's publication because the influence of all the poetry she read for the magazine, Murray said.

Monroe's poem "The Meeting," about Illinois industrialization, was read from the anthology, among others such as "Halsted Streetcar" by Carl Sandburg, "Ars Poetica" by Archibald Mac Leish, and "Triage" by Lisel Mueller.

Poems by Vachel Lindsay, Ernest Hemingway, John Frederick Nims, and Gwendolyn Brooks also were read.

Murray and Stein said they chose

their poets based on two criteria: If the poets were born here and wrote a lot of their poetry in Illinois, they were eligible for inclusion in the anthology.

However, many big poets declined inclusion because they personally did not see themselves as Illinois poets. Others wanted a lot of money, and publication rights for some poets could not be found, said Murray and Stein.

"The better the poet, the easier they were with their conditions," said Murray.

Stein has published three of his own collections of poetry, called "Chance Ransom," "Bruised Paradise," and "A Circus of Want."

Murray is the author of five poetry collections, including "Walking the Dog" and "Repairs," which won the Devins Award for Poetry.

Stein's advice to future poets is to "read, read, read. Then copy, inhabit the work, and do even better."

CAA will wait on curriculum proposal

Matt Rennels
Staff writer

The Council on Academic Affairs decided Thursday to postpone the proposal to establish uniform effective dates for curriculum changes, allowing time for the council to revise the proposal with a few new items in mind.

The revisions will include a fall semester implementation date, an exception granted for defined cases and a limit to change only programs rather than majors. The council will then vote on this newly revised proposal at its next meeting after Thanksgiving Break.

"I think a good council would be able to make a decision in the best interest of the students," Frahn Lewis, assistant director of the Academic Advising Center, said.

If the proposal is approved,

curriculum changes approved during the fall semester would not go into effect until the next semester, and changes made during the spring semester would not go into effect until two fall semesters later.

"We've got to have this catalog printed and in the hands of those thousands of freshman coming in. That is what we are working against," council member Mary Herrington-Perry, assistant vice president for academic affairs and CAA ex-officio member, who submitted the proposal, said.

The CAA also decided to organize a subcommittee to move along the process of enforcing prerequisites on Eastern's online registration site, PAWS.

Comprised of CAA members Larry Helsel, professor, School of Technology; Tim Shonk, English professor; and Justin Brinkmeyer, Student Senate appointment to CAA; the subcommittee will help

define what indicators the university is looking for to make those needed changes.

"We will need to look at how we will get where we want to be," said Bill Witsman, associate vice president of Information Technology Services.

Witsman said the current student information is outdated and must be revised because of its impact on other projects.

Audience member William Addison, chair of the psychology department, spoke in favor of enforcing the prerequisites.

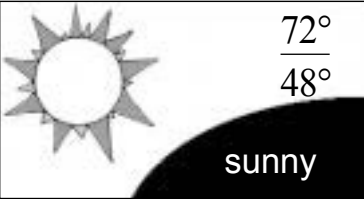
"We're not helping these students if we're not requiring them to take those classes essential to their major," he said.

However, Witsman indicated that a computer cannot think on its own and must be programmed to look for such prerequisites.

"A computer must have very distinct logic for it to determine if

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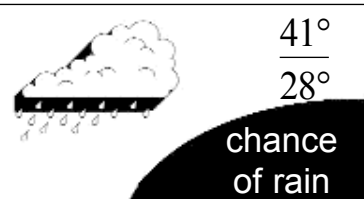
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Frahn Lewis,
assistant director of Academic Advising

there is a prerequisite or not,” Witsman said.

In other business, the council chose to approve the motion to revise the course EDU 2022, Teaching and Learning with Technology in Classrooms. The revised course will be geared toward those teaching grades six through 12.

The CAA also voted to add the new course EDU 4281, Teaching Reading and Language Arts in Secondary Classrooms.

Peace Meals seek volunteers to serve meals

By Melissa Nielsen
Staff writer

On the heels of the Thanksgiving holiday, people are often filled with a renewed sense of compassion and want to lend a helping hand to those in need.

Peace Meals, a volunteer program at Eastern, extends its helping hand year-round, serving meals to the elderly in Charleston and in surrounding counties.

Mike Strader, director of Peace Meals, said the program is dedicated to serving hot, nutritious meals to citizens 60 years and older who cannot safely prepare their own meals because of physical or mental hindrances.

Peace Meals services 14 counties that stretch from Kankakee to Shelby counties. Charleston alone harbors 25 to 30 homebound residents and 15 to 20 congregate seniors. The term *congregate senior* describes a senior who is unable to leave the home. The average congregate person is 77, while homebounds average 79 years of age.

Monday through Thursday, congregate seniors are welcomed at Charleston Service Center, located in the basement of the Elks Club. Every Friday they are welcome at Cougill Manor for meals, Strader said.

Those who are homebound receive door delivery. Dedicated volunteers serve meals every weekday between 11 a.m. and noon. Peace Meals never denies anyone who qualifies for the lunches. They offer each meal free of charge, but receive an average optional contribution of

\$1.95 per meal.

In celebration of Thanksgiving, seniors will be served a turkey dinner with mashed potatoes and the trimmings today. Unfortunately, because Peace Meals is a university-sponsored program, it adheres to the school's schedule and will be closed on Thanksgiving and the day after.

However, Peace Meals does not stop with just serving food. Strader said volunteers will make sure everyone is properly taken care of on Thanksgiving.

"We send out notes or send out volunteers to monitor some of the people we know are really frail," Strader said. "We make sure they have a friend to touch base with them and that the staff has made plans or has made prior arrangements, so the people are looked after."

A sack lunch with soup, sandwiches and fruit will go home with congregate seniors for Thanksgiving. Those staff who are trained to monitor and assess seniors will also make sure homebound seniors have someone who will be with them on Thanksgiving or they have someplace to go.

"Many of our people take advantage of the Thanksgiving dinner at the local church that the community people started several years ago," Strader said.

Volunteers for Peace Meals have a wide range of duties and responsibilities. The Charleston branch sees about 10 students, faculty and community member volunteers. If the program tried to pay each one of its 1,200 volunteers, it would cost them \$200,000.



Caitlin Bullis/Staff photographer

Bernie Oakley hand-delivers a meal to Lola Bails, 93, of Charleston as a part of the Peace Meal program sponsored by Eastern.

The volunteers help deliver food or prepare food in special separated trays for the homebound.

Each tray is made of hard, durable plastic, separated into three sections to make eating easier, and it has a lid that pops open to keep food secure and hot.

Others help at congregate sites setting up tables, serving meals or cleaning up after meals.

Strader said volunteering for Peace Meals means more than just giving out food to those in need.

"I like to think of this as a home away from home. Some people who have had good relationships with their grandmas and grandpas, if they have the chance to do something like this with us ... it can make them feel a little better about themselves. Working with these people you find

there are a lot of stories they can tell, and the experience is very worthwhile," he said.

Strader said he receives many cards, gifts and phone calls from seniors expressing their gratitude for the work Peace Meals does.

"We get a lot of 'thank you' and 'couldn't have done it without you' notes," he said. "We love to hear from the people."

South Quad chilled water loop work begins

Energy conservation program begins as fences go up

By Jessica Danielewicz
Campus editor

The campus-wide Phase II Energy Conservation Program began this week as fences went up Tuesday in the South Quad for the installation of a new chilled-water loop.

This is not to be confused with work on the mini chilled water loop work done this past summer, which connected Thomas and Andrews

halls with Taylor and Lawson halls, Physical Plant Director Gary Reed said.

"This chilled water loop is going to join the mini loop with Coleman Hall, Klehm Hall and the future Human Services Building," Reed said. "It gives us a complete chilled water loop."

Digging for the project began on Thursday.

The chilled water loop connects all the buildings and allows the air

conditioning system to be shared, which will optimize equipment and serve as a backup if equipment fails, Mary DeMarco, Honeywell Inc. project manager, said.

Work on the chilled water loop is scheduled to be completed in February 2002, with the latest possible date being April 15, because that is when the cooling system starts, Reed said.

"We want to make sure we can provide cooling when you need it,"

Reed said.

The project will be carried out in phases, with the most obtrusive work being done over Thanksgiving Break, DeMarco said. If necessary, temporary walkways will be installed to reroute foot traffic.

Work will begin in April or May on the chilled water loop in the North Quad, DeMarco said.

Throughout the work on the South Quad, new chillers will also be installed in Stevenson Hall, the Physical Science Building, Carman Hall and Thomas/Andrews Hall,

Reed said.

Other work that will begin over Thanksgiving Break is the lighting retrofit, which will begin in Thomas Hall, DeMarco said.

Work will be done from the top floor of the building to the bottom, and involves retrofitting lamps and existing fixtures, she said.

As work begins at the different locations on campus, occupants of affected buildings will be informed in advance and no work will be done in residence halls the week before or the week of finals, Reed said.

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Looking for student opinion

University Board members should be applauded for looking to the students before moving ahead on a proposed \$5 per student, per semester, concert fee. However, the number of students they surveyed, 759 returned surveys out of 1200 distributed, was not nearly enough to get an accurate feeling of the students' wishes regarding this fee.

University Board had the right idea

The survey about a new concert fee was a good thought, but not enough opinions were gathered.

to perform, if any at all come here.

This is not totally the fault of UB members. They are working on a limited budget, with no help from the university. Rather, they work off the money they made from previous concerts to fund any further concerts. The equation is simple: If you bring in popular music groups, more people will pay to see them adding money to the pot for next year. If a lesser known, or out of date, band comes to campus, fewer people will come meaning less money being available for the next year. Sadly, Eastern has fallen into the latter equation.

The \$5 concert fee that the UB is proposing is a good idea, if students want it. But this editorial board believes the questions on the survey were a little weighted in favor of the concert fee and did not get an appropriate amount of students surveyed. We believe that in order to get accurate result, more than one percent of the campus community needs to be surveyed.

UB vice chair Caleb Judy said more surveys would be done in the future with different questions, and hopefully more students will respond to the survey.

We challenge members of UB to start a new campaign in order to get half of the student body to fill out the survey. Go to classrooms, set up tables in the Union, residence halls, or academic buildings or stand on the sidewalks.

Only then, when a majority of the student body fills out the survey, can a decision be made as to whether students really want to fund concerts with a \$5 per student per semester fee.

We applaud members of UB for the efforts, now we encourage them to reach out to more students.

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

Today's quote

“A man has made great progress in cunning when he does not seem too clever to others.”

Jean de La Bruyère,
1645-1695

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Try thinking outside the box

What makes a great literary mind, a philosopher, a dreamer? Knowledge.

Why are we all here in college? In theory, we are all here to learn and grow as people, become more knowledgeable in a field we find interesting, and hopefully, find a job upon completion of our degree program.

But in actuality, what do we do here? The bare minimum. We slide through classes, we scrape papers together late at night, we skim masterworks of our fields.

In my mind, college was supposed to be a place of ideas, ideals and in-depth discussions. I didn't expect it to be wonderland of deep thoughts, but I did hope for some meaningful insight into political situations, current events and the like.

OK, call me a nerd if you want. Maybe I am a little bit of one, spending most of my time in a newsroom surrounded by other people who are equally enthralled by news of the world around them.

Nevertheless, I find it disheartening when people in my classes don't know who J.D. Salinger is, or think that *Cosmo* is one of the highest literary forms available to today's reading audience.

We, as a generation, seem not to care about theorems, philosophical ideas and in general, the world around us. But why?

I listen to people around me talking with friends about their crush, their new shoes, the bar they went to last night and a multitude of other inconsequential themes. There is a time and place for those discussions, but where are the deeper conversations like, why is our nation going to war and what are the consequences, what is the future going to



Shauna Gustafson
Editorial page editor

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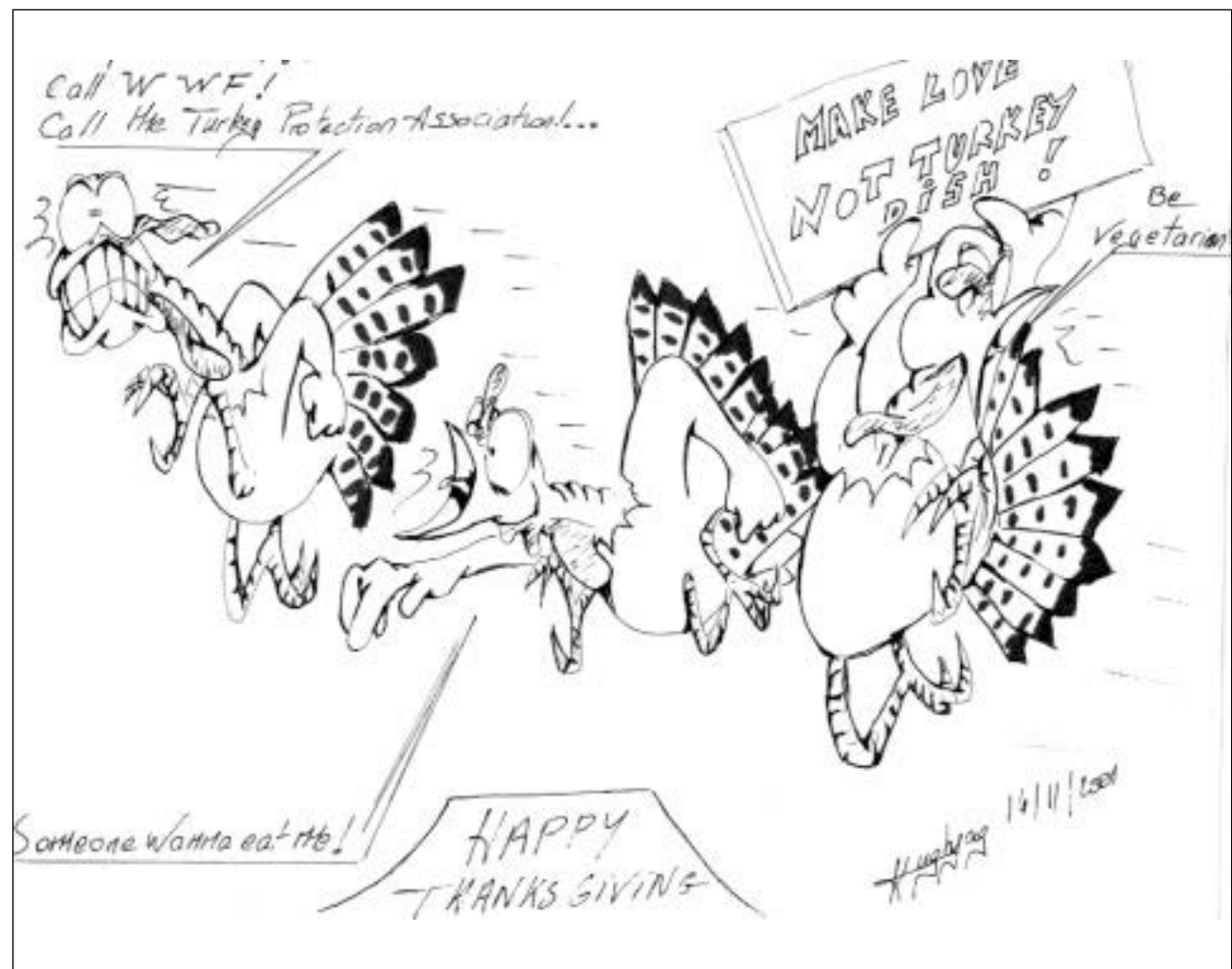
How true that statement is. We are a generation steeped in technology and a live-as-fast-as-you-can mentality. But what we are lacking in is an interest in the ideas and activities that expand minds.

When was the last time one of your friends asked you to go to the symphony or a museum? When was the last time you willingly picked up a book for personal reading or listened to a new type of music, one you weren't even sure you'd like? Probably not even close to as many times as you've been asked to go to the bar or shopping in the last week.

I'm not trying to say that we are all a bunch of dummies. But we are letting some of the most wonderful parts of the world slip through our hands. College is supposed to be a time for exploration, discovery. Find out what you like, what you hate, and examine why you feel that way. Think outside the box. Worry less about what your friends think of your wardrobe and more of what they think of your brain.

And, do your part stopping the creation of a culture without culture. Read a book, listen to an opera, expand your mind.

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Diversity resolution needed more than ever

I read the opinion page and it made me realize we need this requirement more than ever. We have a hard time with promoting diversity at Eastern. The reason why we define diversity with the primary definition in our (Student Senate's) bylaw is because it is currently a major concern

Your turn

Letters to the editor

on this campus.

Groups like LASO, Black Student Union, Pride, NAACP and NPHC concerns are underrepresented in the senate. We as a campus, not just senate members, need to open our minds to the background of other people.

This is one of the reasons why I, one of the authors, proposed this bylaw change. People stay in their comfort zone too much. This bylaw will help expose senate members to the perspective of all students, the same people we as a senate are supposed to represent.

Tim Edwards
Student Senate member

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Eastern equals other schools in bar alternatives

Erika Larson
Activities editor

Western Illinois University, Illinois State University and Southern Illinois University's measures to implement bar alternative programs is just one example of the similarities of activities provided at Illinois' state universities.

Don Castle, university programming coordinator at Southern, where total enrollment is at 21,598, said the office is in the midst of planning some activities on Thursday and Friday nights that "give students something to do."

"It's programs that are meant to be fun and social and low-cost," he said.

Anne Comerford, assistant director of student activities at Western, with an enrollment of 12,934, said a committee in the office is working on putting together a late-night, alcohol and smoke-free entertainment program also.

Illinois State's Web site said the Office of Student Life offers activities that "foster an alcohol-free environment on the campus by providing entertainment alternatives to the students." The university has 21,035 students enrolled.

Comerford said the Student Activities Office at Western provides recently released movies for students, comedians, hypnotists, leadership conferences, all-campus service days and a block party in the spring featur-

ing inflatable games and live entertainment.

In the past, the MTV concert series has come to the campus, and for family weekend entertainment this year three country and western groups performed, she said.

"We do bring concerts in, but not very often," she said.

Castle said it has been an extremely dry year for concerts at all of the state universities.

"It has been extremely hard to book any concerts," he said. "Normally, we have about two concerts a semester."

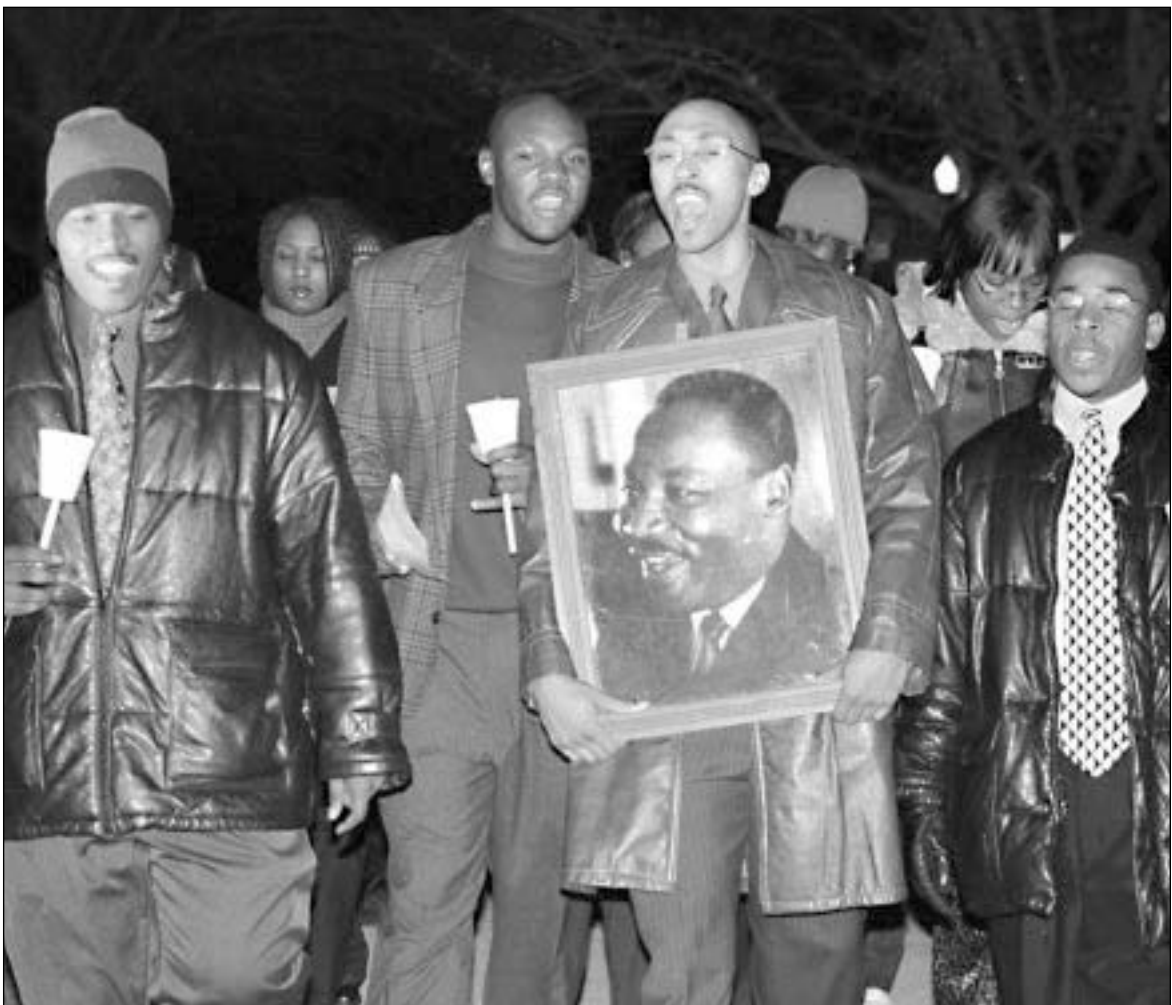
Southern is offering a 21-show performing arts series at its Shryock Auditorium, Castle said.

Bob Cerchio, director of Shryock, said a variety of acts are brought to the Shryock, including concerts, modern dance performances, ballets, plays, musicals and big band shows.

The Southern Illinois Symphony Orchestra, made up of community members and Southern students and faculty will perform six concerts this year, Cerchio said.

Other coming attractions at the auditorium include the band "Yesterday," which is a group of Beatles impersonators, the play "Sunshine Boys" and a performance by "Three Mo' Tenors," which is in recognition of Black History Month, Cerchio said.

These acts range from \$16 to \$29 a ticket for students, he said.



File Photo

George Bunn, a former member of The Black Student Union holds a portrait of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. while leading a large group down Seventh Street during the annual memorial walk held in remembrance of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. on January 15th. The Martin Luther King Jr. memorial walk is just one of the many events held on campus.

Comerford said Western has a Bureau of Cultural Affairs that has brought in the musicals "Footloose" and "Rent" and has the Russian ballet "Nutcracker" coming for the holiday.

The Web site for Northern Illinois University, where enrollment is at 23,783, said the university's Campus Activities Board has activities planned for students ranging from movies to hypnotists to coffeehouses.

Events this semester at Northern

include the upcoming "Ultimate Psychic Fair," a performance by visiting musical artist Ben Folds and a lecture by Mae Jemison, "the first woman of color to travel into space," the Web site said.

Northern also puts on "Springfest," comparable to Eastern's "Celebration," which features local bands and novelty acts from the area.

Illinois State's Office of Student Life offers more of the same - movies, Springfest with both local

and national performers, concerts such as 3 Doors Down and Chris Rock, and nationally known speakers, the Web site said.

Eastern, with the smallest enrollment of 10,531, with the combined efforts of the University Board, Sonor and other departments, provides students with acts by local bands, comedians, coffeehouses featuring student talent, speakers, Panther Welcome Week, Celebration, movies and others.

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Freshman elected RHA president

By Jamie Fetty
Student government editor

Being president of the Residence Hall Association may sound like a big job for someone in his first semester at Eastern, but Kevin Leverence, a freshman psychology major, is not intimidated. "I'm actually the second-oldest person on exec board," Leverence, the newly elected RHA president, said.

Having a freshman president may even be to RHA's benefit since Leverence will be around longer and could bring some stability to the executive board. Leverence said if things go well, he plans to continue with RHA.

Leverence already serves as a justice of the Student Supreme Court, head of the RHA student endorsement committee, RHA liaison to the University Police Department parking committee and has just resigned as RHA representative for Weller Hall Council.

In his latest position, Leverence runs RHA's Thursday night meet-

ings, acts as a speaker, signs checks to allocate RHA funds and does a lot of "behind-the-scenes paperwork."

His big goal is to involve residents from underrepresented areas of campus housing with RHA. One of those areas is Carman Hall, which has the most residents and therefore the most votes in RHA.

"(Carman has) a large say in what goes on, but I don't think they realize that," Leverence said.

Another area lacking involvement in RHA is Greek Court, which Leverence would like to change. He said part of the problem stems from the former Greek Council splitting into Interfraternity Council, Panhellenic Council and National Panhellenic Council.

Currently, Greek Court gets one representative, but Leverence hopes to get representation from all three councils. The cooperation between the three, Leverence said, is "more of an internal matter," but he wants to be available to give them ideas.

An even bigger challenge for

Leverence is trying to get University Court to send representatives to RHA. He doesn't know whether any version of Hall Council exists there, and if it doesn't, he plans to go there himself and talk to people.

"If they have any problems with housing – and of course, we all do – they should be coming to RHA," Leverence said.

In keeping with his goals of representing the underrepresented, Leverence wants to foster greater involvement from RHA members who aren't on the executive board.

"I'd like to see more RHA committees run by the general population and not just exec board members," he said.

He also plans to build a better relationship between RHA and the Student Senate and get executives to visit hall councils other than their own.

He said the hall council visits are "purely optional" but are part of his plan to make executive board more approachable.

"We're their elected representatives," he said.

City yet to institute recycling program

By Andrew McCammon
Staff writer

Charleston residents were at a slight disadvantage during Wednesday's fifth annual America Recycles Day because the city's recycling facilities are limited.

Charleston's sole recycling facility is a bin for paper, glass, aluminum and tin deposits behind McDonald's at 12 W. Lincoln Ave. City Manager Bill Riebe said the facility has met the expectations everybody had for it, but that type of approach has limitations.

Charleston has yet to institute a curbside pick-up program for recyclable materials, a strategy credited with 10 to 15 percent waste reduction in some cities, Riebe said.

"The problem is coming up with a strategy people can afford," he said. "People are busy. You have to make it convenient for people to participate."

However, Eastern students have several additional recycling options, campus Recycling Coordinator Allan Rathe said. Separate recycling bins for paper, aluminum and plastic are available

in the lobbies of all residence halls. Students can also recycle printer cartridges in envelopes provided by their residence hall's front desk, he added.

Rathe, whose program recently received a Champion Award from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, said he is pleased with the progress he has witnessed on the Eastern campus.

"Faculty, staff, and students are all doing their job," he said.

Rathe encouraged off-campus students to urge their student representatives to push for curbside pick-up.

While recycling services in Charleston are limited, City Manager Riebe predicts an increase in the city's recycling capacity in coming years.

"It'll come," he said, citing that the rising cost of raw materials will result in the increased fiscal viability of recycling.

For now, though, Riebe says the recycling depository behind McDonald's is meeting Charleston needs.

"I wouldn't say [its impact] is massive," he said. "But it's a program that people can accept and afford."

Jim Ryan's illness issue in race

SPRINGFIELD, Ill. (AP) — Jim Ryan faces months of uncertainty as he battles cancer for a third time, and so do the people watching his campaign for governor.

His opponents must decide whether to raise the issue of health and, if so, how to do it without being insensitive. Voters must decide how to weigh a candidate's health when casting their ballots.

The Republican attorney general said Thursday that his health is "a legitimate question" for voters.

But political experts say his opponents would face a tremendous backlash if they openly tried to capitalize on the issue. That does not mean voters won't be thinking about it, for good or bad.

"People will be sympathetic but still wonder if he is able to do the job he is running to do," Evanston-based pollster Richard Day said. "I can't imagine seeing a political commercial against him about it, but I can imagine a commercial for him that mentions it: 'He's a tough guy, he's battling.'"

Ryan, 55, announced Wednesday night that surgeons had removed a small nodule from just behind his right earlobe and discovered that it was non-Hodgkins B-cell lymphoma.

That is a slow-growing kind of cancer that experts say can be treated without causing major side effects. Ryan said he will be treated with drugs for a month and then, for three or four weeks, get daily doses of radiation behind his ear.

He sought to reassure voters that he is healthy enough to be an effective governor. Ryan said he would have dropped out of the race if his doctors felt the campaign was endangering his health.

"I'm not reckless. I want to be governor, but I'm not reckless," Ryan said during a news conference. "I do not believe that my life is threatened by my continued service."

Ryan has survived cancer twice before, and he said no voter has ever suggested he should not run for office.

One of his opponents in the GOP primary, Lt. Gov. Corinne Wood, has survived cancer herself. When she began her campaign in 1998, Wood was still wearing a wig after losing her hair to chemotherapy for breast cancer.

Wood said she expects all the candidates to get more questions about health as they conduct a "pretty grueling" campaign.

"It is very difficult to be diagnosed with cancer, especially certain kinds of cancer. It obviously takes an emotional toll and a physical toll on you," Wood said. "It's tough."

The other candidate, state Sen. Patrick O'Malley of Palos Park, had a quadruple heart bypass in 1996. He said voters are not likely to cast the ballots out of worry or sympathy over a candidate's health.

"They want to decide who the next governor is based on issues," he said.

Ryan is certainly not the first politician to face health concerns on the campaign trail.

Coast Guard assists in Great Lakes security

CLEVELAND (AP) — U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary volunteers are spending more time on the Great Lakes to help increase security in the wake of the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks.

"They have been a key component, especially in those first few days (after the attacks)," said John Bowen, boatswain's mate first class at the Cleveland Harbor station. "That first week, we wouldn't have been able to function without them."

The Coast Guard has become more involved in security — including increasing patrols and placing armed guards on cruise ships — while maintaining its traditional law enforcement and rescue duties.

Auxiliary members aren't permit-

ted to do law enforcement work, but they are providing extra staffing to search-and-rescue stations, assisting with additional port patrols and monitoring communications and security at Coast Guard stations.

Bowen said volunteers have been particularly helpful with waterfront security patrols. The volunteers use their own boats, and the Coast Guard reimburses their expenses.

Herman Bundgaard, auxiliary captain for Division Nine in northern Ohio, said the division has provided 638 additional hours of service since Sept. 11. That's about five times as many hours as the division would normally work during that period of time.

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No missile defense agreement

CRAWFORD, Texas (AP) — President Bush and Russian President Vladimir Putin failed to resolve their dispute over U.S. missile shield plans Thursday but pledged on a harmonious final day of summitry to fight terrorism and deepen U.S.-Russian ties.

"Our differences will not divide us," Bush told hundreds of students and townspeople in a steamy high school gym.

"We have a difference of opinion," the president said at a question-and-answer session with students. "But ... our relationship is strong enough to endure this difference of opinion."

Putin reaffirmed his opposition to anti-missile tests that would violate the 1972 Anti-Ballistic Missile Treaty. But he also said that, no matter what Bush does, "under no circumstances could it lead to any tension in the relations between Russia and the United States."

U.S. officials said they viewed the remark as a signal that Putin won't try to stand in the way of upcoming missile tests. That understanding, however, fell far short of a formal deal to make the ABM flexible enough to allow testing, which was Bush's hope.

In the midst of the fight against terrorism, both leaders seemed to push the missile defense issue down the road.

"We shall continue our discussions," Putin said.

Bush announced that he will visit Russia next year. Aides said the trip might offer a fit setting to resolve the ABM debate.

In a remarkable display of affection, the leaders traded punch lines and back slaps. They joked about the weather (hot in Texas, cold in Siberia); the students' questions (too

tough, they said), and their favorite American state (Texas, of course).

"Except maybe for Alaska," Putin added with a wry grin, "which we sold to you." Packed, it seemed, with each of the town's 705 residents, the gymnasium echoed with applause.

Before ending his four-day American trip, Putin flew to New York to visit the site of the Sept. 11 attacks. Afterward, he took questions from the public during a national radio show.

"We simply cannot fail to understand the importance of the quality of this relationship no matter how the difficult the challenges are — how difficult the problems are — that we are solving, such as the ABM treaty," Putin said in the National Public Radio session.

Three days of meetings with Bush — both here and at the White House — focused on nuclear reduction, terrorism and the war in Afghanistan.

Bush promised a new relationship with Russia "that will make our lives better." Aides insisted the leaders barely discussed the ABM dispute in private.

Despite Putin's reservations on missile defense, Bush "continues to believe he has got to move forward with the testing program in a robust way," Condoleezza Rice, Bush's national security adviser, said later.

"We're soon going to run up against certain constraints of the treaty," she said.

Bush and Putin agreed during Washington talks on Tuesday to slash their nuclear arsenals by two-thirds, but each day brought disagreements on how to do so.

At the White House, the Russian said he wanted the reduction goals in writing and Bush said he didn't. After their talks here,

Putin said the question of whether warheads should be disarmed or destroyed must be decided in negotiations, something Bush wants to avoid.

Some in Congress want Bush to negotiate a formal treaty.

"We do not need fly-by-night arms control," said Sen. Robert Byrd, D-W.Va.

The Sept. 11 attacks brought Bush and Putin together as never before. Putin said his nation wouldn't object if the U.S. military operated in former Soviet Republics around Afghanistan, and the Russians provided intelligence on terrorist activity in the region.

In a gesture to Putin, the Bush administration publicly stated that there were terrorists among the Chechen forces fighting Russian troops.

"Russia has been a strong partner in the fight against terrorism," Bush said.

On Afghanistan, Bush said he won't relent until al-Qaida terrorists are rounded up and their camps destroyed. Both men condemned the Taliban's treatment of women, a sentiment in keeping with an intensifying White House public relations campaign to spotlight Taliban abuses.

"Women in Afghanistan are basically not treated as people," Putin said.

Said Bush: "The Taliban is the most repressive, backward group of people we have seen on the face of the Earth in a long period of time."

The leaders agreed that a broad-based, multiethnic government must replace the Taliban. Bush said it must include Pashtun tribes in the South — not just northern alliance forces who, with the help of U.S. forces, have the Taliban on the run.

Philip Morris deals with identity issues

NEW YORK (AP) — Philip Morris will try to clear the air — with a fresh, new name.

The tobacco, food and beer conglomerate, which has labored to convince the public it is about much more than cigarettes, said late Thursday it will shed a corporate name long associated with the Marlboro Man and the women of Virginia Slims ads.

Instead, Philip Morris Companies Inc. will dub itself Altria Group Inc. (pronounced Al-Tree-Uh), as soon as shareholders approve, the New York-based company said.

The new name will clear up confusion between the parent company and its tobacco operations, and better reflect its growth into a company that makes and sells products including Nabisco cookies, Miller beer and Kraft foods, chairman and chief executive Geoffrey C. Bible said.

"We are not the same family of companies we were just a few years ago," Bible said in a written release. "The Nabisco acquisition and the Kraft initial public offering are the most recent evidence of our growth and evolution."

Industry analysts had mixed reactions to the change.

"I think the difficulties the company faces are on the litigation and

public policy front and I don't think the change of name is going to make any difference," said Martin Feldman, who tracks Philip Morris for Salomon Smith Barney.

But David Adelman, an analyst for Morgan Stanley Dean Witter, said the name change was a logical extension of the company's effort to reshape its image and that it might help in that cause.

"It's hard to make an argument you're more than a tobacco company when you have a name people associate with tobacco," Adelman said.

The Campaign for Tobacco-Free Kids said the name change won't rectify the company's association with cigarettes.

"Philip Morris is changing its name because it is unwilling to change its harmful business practices," the anti-smoking group said.

Philip Morris said it will retain that name for its U.S. and international tobacco subsidiaries.

The new corporate moniker is a derivative of a Latin word, "altus," which means to "reach higher," the company said.

But the final word on the new name will be up to shareholders, who will be asked to vote on it at the Philip Morris' annual meeting, in April of next year.

Man charged with killing 7

CHICAGO (AP) — A man has been charged with strangling or beating to death seven women during the summer of 2000.

Geoffrey Griffin, 30, also was charged Wednesday with aggravated criminal sexual assault, attempted murder and attempted criminal sexual assault, police said.

The charges come 17 months after he was initially jailed on suspicion of committing the slayings.

Griffin was charged two summers ago with first-degree murder in the killing of Angela Jones, a 32-year-old mother of seven, after he gave police a videotaped confession.

Jones, whose body was discovered May 12, 2000, was the first of seven women found dead in abandoned buildings.

At that time, Griffin denied involvement in the other women's deaths, but police said he was responsible for the slayings even though there was no solid evidence.

DNA test results later connected Griffin to each of the seven killings, said Lt. Joseph Murphy, head of the cold case squad.

The victims, who were killed during the summer of 2000, were all black women found in abandoned buildings, and most were participating in high-risk activities such as prostitution and drug use.

Before killing them, Griffin would promise the women drugs in exchange for sex or cash, police said.

Old Main

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in June and was supposed to be completed on Aug. 31, Strode said.

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the university in front of such a magnificent building, and it seemed appropriate to construct something that reflected the character of the building," she said.

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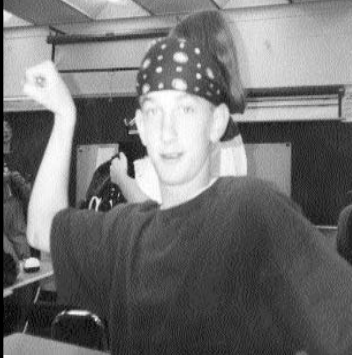
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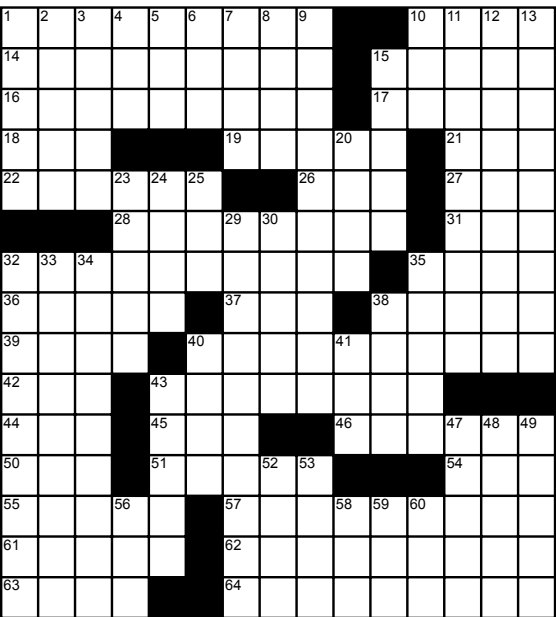
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Don't count on a sales tax holiday

WASHINGTON (AP) — Shoppers counting on a national sales tax holiday to help them save money in the Christmas shopping season may be like the kids who open their presents a bit too soon. The leading sponsors of the bipartisan measure are still holding out hope for a last-minute deal as Congress continues to fight over that and other proposed elements of a national economic stimulus package.

But a key supporter, Rep. Don Manzullo, chairman of the House Small Business Committee, said Thursday the proposal will probably have to wait until spring to have a chance of passage.

"There's just no way — unless there's some miracle that comes to pass — it could be done for this holiday," the Egan Republican said.

Manzullo made his comments after a two-hour hearing that put

the spotlight on how the measure might help ensure a strong year-end shopping season, but also raised questions about whether states, such as Illinois, would want to participate in what would be a voluntary program.

Under the plan, states and localities suspending their sales taxes on tangible goods, except food, tobacco and liquor, from Nov. 23 through Dec. 2, would be reimbursed by the federal government for lost revenue — a figure even supporters say could reach \$6.5 billion or more.

But critics testified there was no time left to make that sales tax holiday period possible or even one for later in the year because state legislatures are generally not in session now and there are too many administrative hurdles that would need to be overcome.

Manzullo designated Rep. Pat Toomey, R-Pa., chairman of the

taxation subcommittee, to work with business and other groups to develop a consensus on how to deal with such concerns in case Congress acts on the legislation next spring.

Manzullo said one way to make reimbursements simple is to base them on a participating state's population in relation to the nation as a whole. That way, Illinois could count on \$260 million if it participates.

"It's some way to have something to be implemented right away without an administrative nightmare," he said.

The chief sponsors in the House, Rep. Lindsey Graham, R-S.C., and Rep. Rod Blagojevich, argue the measure still has a chance for approval in time for Christmas because it is about the only idea in the economic stimulus debate that is garnering broad bipartisan support.

Act scores released, interim chief named

CHICAGO (AP) — State education officials' decision to require all Illinois 11th-graders to take the ACT college-entrance examination dropped the state's average by about two points, the Illinois State Board of Education announced Thursday.

Illinois students averaged a score of 19.4 this year, down from 21.6 last year when only college-bound students took the test. The national average is 21.

"Over 10,000 students who would not have taken the ACT in previous years scored at least an 18 on the test," State Superintendent Glenn "Max" McGee said. "That score will gain them entry into many colleges and universities in the state and nation."

In all, 43,000 who would not have taken the test in previous

years were evaluated. The state's average remains higher than some states that only test college-bound students, he said.

Illinois also had the highest number of high school juniors scoring a perfect 36 on the test: 33. Michigan was next with 15.

Illinois started its Prairie State Achievement Examination this year, which combines a mandatory ACT with other tests.

The board also announced an interim superintendent to replace McGee, whose three-year term expires Dec. 31. Ernest Wish, a retired managing partner in the Chicago office of the Coopers & Lybrand accounting firm, was appointed Thursday.

The board expects to find a permanent replacement by July.

Doomed flight hit turbulence from jumbo jet before crash

NEW YORK (AP) — The rudder of American Airlines Flight 587 began shifting erratically and the airliner careened sideways before taking a sudden nosedive seconds after it was jolted by turbulence from another jumbo jet, according to flight data.

With their inquiry focused on why the tail fin and rudder sheared off cleanly before the crash, investigators with the National Transportation Safety Board said Thursday they are looking closely at the final eight seconds of the doomed jet's flight data recorder.

After the Airbus A300 experienced the second of two turbulent "wake encounters," the rudder stopped sending usable information to the flight data recorder, the jetliner shook violently and then went into its steep dive.

"We have eight seconds we're

going to be looking at in extreme detail," said Tom Haueter, the NTSB's deputy director of aviation safety. Monday's crash killed all 260 people aboard the jet bound for the Dominican Republic and five more people on the ground in Queens.

Experts are looking closely at several factors that could have contributed to the tail failure, including the tail's composite structure, turbulence from a Japan Airlines jumbo jet and the pilots' reactions. The JAL 747 left from the same runway at Kennedy Airport less than two minutes earlier.

Marion Blakey, the NTSB chairwoman, stressed at an evening news conference that wake turbulence is commonly experienced by pilots.

"We are looking at the question, therefore, of what other kinds of factors may have contributed," she said.

Investigators said both of Flight 587's pilots had completed a course in how to handle wake turbulence.

Within eight seconds of the second wake encounter, Flight 587 began banking hard with its left wing down before heading into a nosedive.

The flight data recorder cut off 20 seconds before the voice data recorder. Investigators said they hope to gain more information from the voice recorder on the flight's last seconds.

NTSB investigator George Black Jr. said investigators were almost certain the tail broke off before the jetliner's twin engines did. While cautioning that investigators are not ready to rule out sabotage, he said the tail "doesn't appear to have been sabotaged in any way."

Black also said the pilots of Flight 587 were probably unaware its tail fin

had broken off as they struggled to control the plane.

"They don't have a rearview mirror," he told The Associated Press. "They have no idea they've lost a tail."

In Washington, the Federal Aviation Administration was preparing to order inspections of Airbus A300s, focusing on the tail. The order would cover 90 of the European-built planes used by three U.S. companies — American, FedEx and United Parcel Service. American has already agreed to do voluntary inspections of its 34 remaining A300s.

"We understand that American Airlines is inspecting their fleet as a very precautionary measure," said a spokeswoman for Airbus in Toulouse, France. "We do not yet know what went wrong."

The tail assembly on the Airbus A300 includes a tail fin and rudder;

without those parts, the jetliner would have suffered a loss of stability and turning control.

Besides the effects of turbulence, investigators are looking at the tail's makeup. It is made of composites, or carbon-fiber reinforced plastic that is incredibly strong.

Composite materials started being used for major structural parts in commercial jets in the late 1970s and early '80s. Black said there haven't been any problems with the material, "but then we also haven't lost any tails."

Maintenance records indicate that before the plane was delivered to American Airlines in 1988, one of the six fittings that hold the tail to the fuselage had to be repaired by the manufacturer. The fitting's thickness was increased and it was reinforced with rivets.

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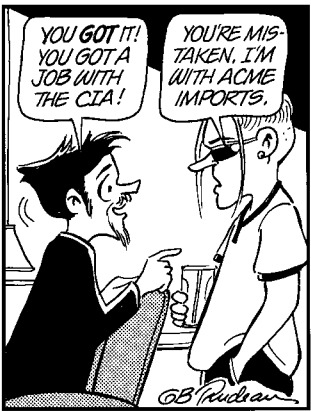
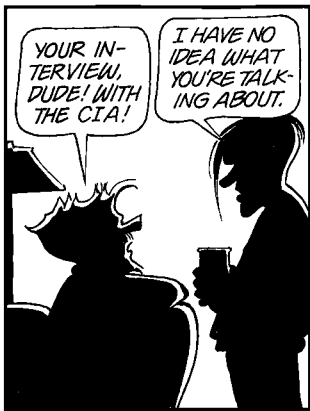
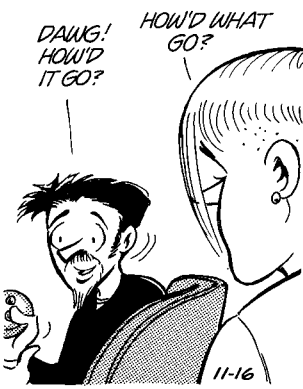
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*The TAP Test is also being offered on this date.

The next opportunity to initiate the "Selection Process" and apply for University Admission to Teacher Education will be during the Spring Semester, 2002.

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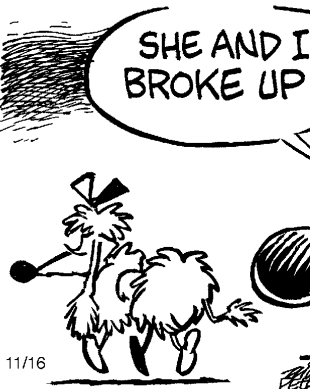
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Men's basketball

Panthers hope to keep home win streak alive

By Matt Williams
Staff Writer

The Eastern men's basketball team opens regular season play at 7:10 p.m. Friday at home against division two St. Joseph's College (Ind.).

Playing at home will be one of the team's biggest advantages to start the season. The Panthers will hope to add to their 14-game home winning streak at Lantz Arena, where they have not lost since a 72-71 defeat at the hands of Southeast Missouri on Feb. 19, 2000.

"It's good to have a home game under your belt at the beginning of the season," junior guard Craig Lewis said. "It helps us feel more comfortable before our big road games."

With the departure of starters Kyle Hill and Matt Britton the team will see some new faces in the starting lineup, but expects to see the same effort.

"I'd like to shoot 60% from the field, 80 percent from the free throw line, and dominate them on the boards," head coach Rick Samuels said. "We will see if that happens."

The Panthers are hoping to use their size as an advantage against the smaller St. Joe's team.

"We hope to utilize our size and physical advantages," Samuels said. "We want to get rebounds on the offensive side to get extra shots."

If Eastern does not come out strong and play to their ability, they could find themselves in a battle.

"We want to establish our superiority," Samuels said. "We don't want them to gain confidence as the game goes along."

Looking ahead to Monday's game at Illinois, Eastern will try to show what they can do when they are put up against one of the top teams in the country.

The Illini are ranked No. 2 in the coaches poll and third in the Associated Press poll, and will return senior guard Corey Bradford and junior guard Frank Williams.

Williams, the Big Ten player of the year last season, led the Illini in scoring, assists, and steals last year and could cause the Panthers some problems.

Eastern is still confident that they can play them tough and maybe even pull off an upset.

"We want to shock the state of Illinois," Samuels said. "We aren't going to do anything out of the normal."

The key to this game is not to be intimidated against the favored Illini. If they can get past that they have a chance at giving Illinois some trouble.

"Most of these guys are fearless," junior forward Henry Domercant said. "The freshmen might come out with a few butterflies, though."

Domercant will play a crucial role if the Panthers hope to pull off the upset.

He averaged 22.8 points per game and will be joined with the other two returning starters, Todd Bergmann and Jan Thompson.

"It will be important that Henry plays well all season, but we are not a one-dimensional show," Samuels said. "There are other kids that can step up and play for us."

Whether the Panthers win against Illinois, it is still a good test to see what they are capable of doing against a quality team.

"This game will make us tougher," Domercant said.

"If we can compete and play with them, it should give us some confidence."

Eastern will also travel to the Las Vegas Tournament over Thanksgiving Break. The tournament will go from Nov. 22-24.

Women's basketball

Eastern looks for strong start in Lantz Arena

By Matt Meinheit
Staff writer

The exhibition games are over, and now the games count for Eastern's women's basketball team which faces off with IUPUI-Indianapolis in its season opener.

A young Panthers team that has only one senior (guard Michelle Lewis) and two returning starters (sophomore guard Lauren Dailey and sophomore center Pam O'Connor) hopes to improve on its 7-20 overall record from last season. They are also out to turn some heads and prove that their projected ninth-place finish in the Ohio Valley Conference is undeserved.

"Our goal is to be competitive," head coach Linda Wunder said. "We can improve each week and be better at the end of the season."

The Panthers have shown promise in their two preseason games. They split their two preseason decisions, highlighted by a 81-72 win against RTU Mondaika (Latvia). In that game, two players recorded a double-double for Eastern. Junior forward Kayla Bloemer scored 13 points and pulled down 11 rebounds, and junior center Brooke Gossett had 12 of each.

"I think we have seen improvement since our first exhibition game, and that's a good sign," Wunder said.

Tonight's meeting between the Panthers and the Jaguars will be their first. The Jaguars have four returning starters from last year's 11-18 team. They have had success in their exhibition games this year with victories over the University of Indianapolis and The Family.

"It should be a great game," Wunder said. "We are evenly matched. They have four starters returning and are really balanced. They are a good challenge for a young team."

Eastern will have the mixed blessing of being the home team. Lantz Arena was not a friendly place for the Panthers last year, as they went 2-9 at home. Despite that fact, the Panthers do appreciate the home court advantage.

"When you have a young team, it's nice to have your



Amanda Douglass/Senior photographer

Eastern junior Kayla Bloemer puts up a shot during last Sunday's exhibition game. The Panthers open their regular season against IUPUI-Indianapolis Friday.

first game at home," Wunder said. "We're looking forward to it."

All things considered, the Panthers are anxious to get their season underway.

"We are excited to finally play somebody when it actually means something," Wunder said.

Bloomquist

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When it's tournament time, all the rules are thrown out.

Home court advantage is moot. The Skyhawks are 9-3 on their home court, but No. 2 Panthers are 11-2 on the road and defeated Martin in five games on the road earlier this season.

It won't be an individual player that takes over in the tourney. Tournaments are time for the underdogs to shine. See baseball's Shane Spencer, basketball's John Paxson and football's Mike Brown for more details.

The Panthers have thrived on freshman Erica Gerth's powerful hitting and the sturdy blocking of Leslie Przekwas all season. Senior Amy Heimann has been a force to be reckoned with defensively

and so has Marcia Hahn. But look for big things from small packages. Don't be surprised if 5-foot -7 setter Rebecca Ooyen pulls through with a key pass or if Eastern Kentucky's 5-foot-5 sophomore Kristi Kuzma pulls out a big play in the clutch. With so much to consider in tournament time, there's only one way to pick the winner. Let's call it in the air: heads my team wins - tails, your team loses.

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Is there more to King than meets the eye?

Sometimes you hear the most odd, unbelievable stories and, through their skewed frame, they place the normal world in context. Take, for example, boxing promoter Don King. Long known as quite possibly the weirdest man in sports, people eventually learned to take his creative vocabulary, dandelion hair and bombastic personality as a matter of course. The man was simply eccentric.

He is also a greedy ex-con that regularly bilks his fighters out of millions, but that's pretty much the norm for anyone involved in boxing these days.

You figure, "Hey, not everyone can make sense when they talk, and there are stranger hairstyles out there," and you simply accept that the man is a world-class oddball.

Or maybe he's just suffering from lead poisoning.

See, on a Tuesday flight from Los Angeles to Las Vegas to promote Saturday's Hasim Rahman-Lennox Lewis match, King's private jet encountered some turbulence, according to several news outlets — turbulence so strong it ripped the arm off of his seat. King was thrown from his chair and his

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head struck the ceiling.

After landing, he went to a hospital as a precaution and took a CAT scan that probably made the doctor's eyes fall out of his skull.

Five shotgun pellets from a 1959 shooting that are lodged in King's skull showed up loud and proud on the results. This is information King readily volunteered to reporters, although he referred to the slugs as "bullets."

Suddenly, it all makes sense, sort of.

I really don't know anyone who's taken a shotgun blast to the back of the head. If I did, I would probably be writing about him in the past tense. But there are cases of people taking gunshots to the dome and

living to tell about it, and Don King happens to be one of those people.

And knowing Don King, he'll probably tell anyone about it — and tell them and tell them and tell them.

Maybe his loquaciousness is a result of the lead he's toting around in his cranium. It would explain his hair, at the very least.

King has always been known for having a peculiar perspective on himself, his career and the world in general. Many have labeled his personality as an act simply to generate more publicity for his fights, publicity being worth more than gold-plated gold in the boxing world.

Others say the guy is really just goofy.

Now another option presents itself. I hesitate to call it "brain damage" because the actual effect those bullets had on his brain and mental capacity is unknown. But I think it's safe to say that, at least psychologically, Don King's had a one-of-a-kind experience that would probably significantly alter anyone's views, behavior and speech.

Or maybe he's just an oddball.

Men's soccer

Perry receives all-MVC honors

By Matt Meinheit
Staff writer

Eastern's men's soccer team had four players honored by the Missouri Valley Conference in their All-Conference team selections.

Senior forward Derrick Perry was named second team all-conference and senior midfielder Ben Cox, sophomore midfielder Julian Chang and sophomore forward Jason Thompson were given honorable mention.

Perry was deserving of the honor after recording career highs in both goals (14) and points (31).

He ended his collegiate career with 26 goals, 12 assists, and 64 points. His 26 career goals puts him at number nine in school history,

tied with Thompson.

"Derrick had a great year," Eastern head coach Adam Howarth said.

"He is definitely worthy of making second team. The tough thing about the MVC is that there are so many good players it is hard to get on the first team."

Chang had six goals this season, and finished in a three way tie for the team lead in assists with five.

Thompson also tied for the lead in assists with Chang and netted five goals on the season. Cox wrapped up his collegiate career with two goals, five assists and nine points in four years.

"All those guys are worthy of making the all-conference team," Howarth said.

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That means some of the burden will rest on the legs of tailback J.R. Taylor and the arm of quarterback Tony Romo.

"I don't think he'll get as many

opportunities as Andre did," Spoo said. "But he can catch the ball too, and with Tony throwing the ball, we'll have confidence with him in there."

Eastern must also recover from losing receiver Devon O'Neal to a broken wrist. O'Neals injury means senior converted quarterback Julius Davis will see more action at the wide receiver position and Taylor will likely be catching the ball more out of the backfield.

The Panthers will be facing a Murray State team that is just 2-3 in the conference, but those three losses were all close ones with a 15-12 loss to Tennessee Tech, a 21-13 loss against Eastern Kentucky and a 38-25 loss at Tennessee State. The Racers also have a pair of loss to Ole Miss and Minnesota. A win over MSU would not only give the Panthers their first outright OVC Championship, but it would likely secure them a top four seed in the playoffs and the right to host the first round game. At least, that's what Spoo's hoping for.

"We'd like to think a win would give us the home playoff game," he said. "I hate to say this, but a No. 4 or 5 team wins big and our game is relatively close, then the selction committee may look at that and place us behind them."

"The feeling is that winning big is important, but all I want to do is win whether it's by one or 40," he said.

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been on the losing end of one at some point in the regular season.

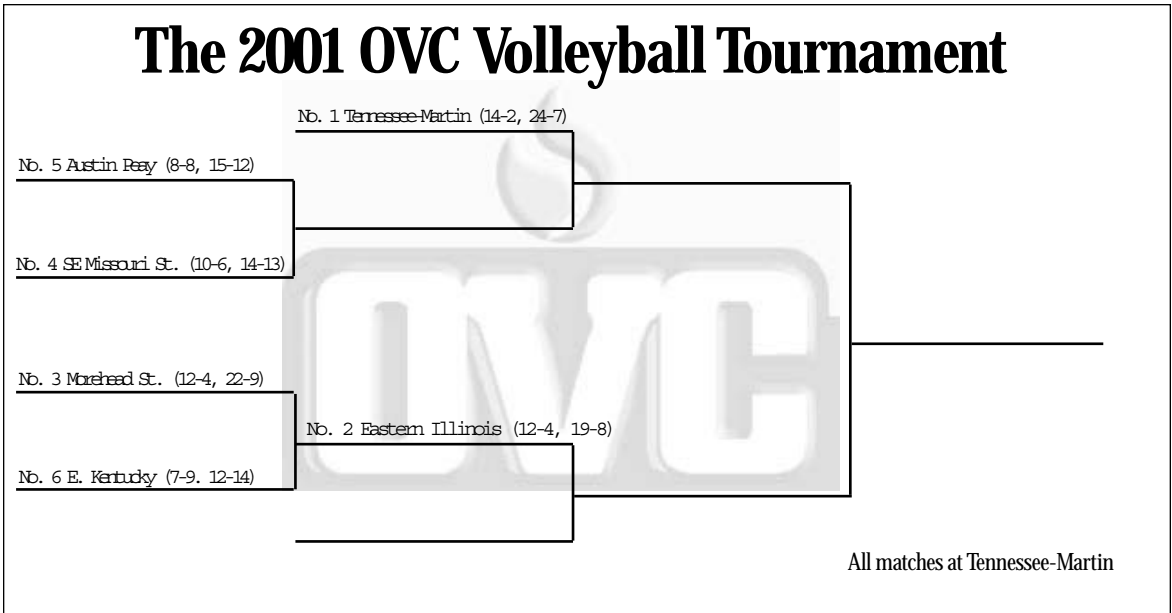
It's that kind of parity that has some coaches believing this tournament will be the best in league history.

"It's pretty even from top to bottom," Gannon said. "That's something we've never really had before."

The Otahkians are looking to pull off an upset of their own against Tennessee-Martin, something only the Panthers and Morehead State have done.

"We just hosted soccer and Eastern came down here and beat us," Gannon said with a laugh. "So maybe it's not the best idea to host the tournament."

If SEMO is to repeat as OVC champs, it will rely heavily on junior



outside hitter Bobbi Carlile. Carlile is fourth in the league in kills per game with 4.19.

Austin Peay State has been the cause of an upset bug throughout the conference as of late. The Lady Gavs upset Eastern and won six of

its last eight matches. Austin Peay played Morehead State to five games before losing.

"It's really difficult when you've got two matches on one day," Lady Gavs coach Cheryl Holt said. "Everyone except for No. 1 and No.

2 have that. I've been fighting against that since the beginning. I think if we're on, we'll have a good chance. We've got great balance. It's a matter of who makes the fewest mistakes, that's who's going to win the tourney."

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This one's too close to call

Who's going to win the Ohio Valley Conference tournament title this season? To find out, just flip a coin.

The buzz around the league is that the seeds in the tourney are nothing more than a formality to fill in a bracket. Because of the new rally scoring system, you can throw out all the old rules about what a good volleyball team is. The teams that were thriving last year aren't at the top of the bracket this season.

For example, Southeast Missouri State, which is usually the only safe bet in the conference, has the No. 4 slot after losing six conference matches. SEMO has won five OVC tourneys, only Eastern Kentucky has more with eight, in the event's 20-year history, the Otahkians entered the OVC in 1991.

No. 3 Morehead State has only lost four matches all season and has defeated No. 1 seed Tennessee-Martin, the only other team besides Eastern to accomplish such a feat.

Even No. 6 Eastern Kentucky is upset-minded as it defeated the Panthers in a five-game match earlier this season.

Coaches have tried to play-up the importance of defense and blocking. See "Defense wins championships mantra" for more details.

Other coaches are trumpeting the common cliched refrain, "One match at a time." And while it's obvious these things are important to all of the hopeful teams, one aspect of the game can't be pigeonholed or directly linked to a championship effort.

Some coaches will argue that it'll be the team that makes the least amount of mistakes that earns the trip to the NCAA tournament.

If that's true, then how did Tennessee-Martin win the regular season conference title? The Skyhawks had 103 more attack errors than their opponents yet had 15 shutout wins and were only shut out once during the regular season.

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Football

Eastern looking for big finish

Lopsided win over Murray State would clinch home playoff game



Bill Ruthhart/Staff photographer

Eastern will have to play its final home game of the season without Andre Raymond, pictured here running away from some Eastern Kentucky defenders.

By Bill Ruthhart
Sports editor

Without the services of one of its most talented players, the Panther football team will attempt to secure an outright Ohio Valley Conference Championship Saturday when Murray State comes to town.

With sophomore running back/wide receiver Andre Raymond out for the year with a broken ankle, the No. 3 ranked Panthers (8-1, 5-0) will look to adjust in their final regular season game against the Racers (4-5, 2-3).

"He's being operated on as we speak," Eastern head coach Bob Spoo said of Raymond Wednesday. "I understand they have to put a plate in there to stabilize it and make sure it heals properly."

Replacing Raymond in the backfield will be redshirt freshman Justin Morris, whose only signifi-

cant action this season came in the blowout win over Tennessee-Martin when he ran for over 100 yards in just over a quarter of play.

"I've always been confident in Justin, and I think he's a fine running back," Spoo said. "He has very good speed. He's quick, very elusive and a great kid. So I don't think he's going to hurt us. I don't think that at all."

Redshirt freshman receiver Brandon Robinson has also been taking some snaps out of the backfield in practice.

"He's learning the plays and where the exchange points are," Spoo said. "He did some of that in high school, and he'll be our No. 3 guy there."

Spoo said he didn't envision Morris getting as many carries out of the backfield as Raymond had, and not nearly as many receptions.

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Volleyball

Panthers are in position for NCAA berth

By Nate Bloomquist
Staff writer

A bucket in the Eastern volleyball office has the letters "NCAA" written on it in giant letters. It's filled with rocks with goals of Panther volleyball players on it, which they put there before the season began. But the goal all the players are focusing on is reaching the NCAA tournament.

After this Saturday, one of six teams will have a ticket stamped to the tourney after winning the Ohio Valley Conference Tournament.

Play in the tourney begins tonight at Tennessee-Martin, the regular season OVC champ. Eastern finished second in the league, with a 12-4 mark in conference play and will have the No. 2 seed.

The Panthers will play against the winner of the No. 3 Morehead State-No. 6 Eastern Kentucky match.

Eastern will look for a balanced offensive attack and a consistent defense to guide them to a tournament title.

"We have to block well and play defense well," Panther coach Brenda Winkeler said. "When we do those things, like we did on Sunday (in a 3-0 win over Austin Peay State), it usually equals success."

A core of six seniors, each having different, but important roles on the team, will power the Panthers. Senior Amy Heimann was recognized this week by the league for her defensive efforts. She was

named co-OVC defensive player of the week. Seniors Leslie Przekwas, Marcia Hahn and Carrie Stevens lead the offensive attack, while senior Rebecca Ooyen has played well in recent matches at setter despite an injured thumb. Senior outside hitter Kim DeMage has also played a valuable role on defense.

The Eagles (12-4 in the OVC, 19-8 overall) tied the Panthers in the league, but lost both head-to-head meetings with Eastern. The Lady Colonels (7-9, 12-14) upset the Panthers earlier this season in a five-game match in Lantz Arena. Eastern defeated Eastern Kentucky on the road in five games.

In the other half of the bracket, No. 1 Tennessee Martin (14-2, 24-7) awaits the winner of the No. 4 Southeast Missouri State-No. 5 Austin Peay State matchup.

It's Tennessee-Martin's tournament to lose. With the home court advantage and the added advantage of having only one match on the first day of the tournament, the Skyhawks are looking to fly past the competition.

Tennessee-Martin has had a strong defense, averaging 17.14 digs per game, fourth in the conference. The Skyhawks average 15.68 kills per game, the league's best and are 9-3 in matches at the Skyhawk Fieldhouse.

Junior middle hitter Rachel Ahlers leads Tennessee-Martin with 3.59 kills per game on a squad with four other players averaging over the 2.5 kills mark.

SEMO (10-6, 14-13) has its



Amanda Douglass/Senior photographer

Eastern senior Carrie Stevens pounds the ball over the net during a recent home match. The No. 2-seeded Panthers will play in the Ohio Valley Conference Tournament this weekend.

lowest seed in the OVC tournament since 1998, when the league began to seed teams in the tourney. The Otahkians have won five OVC titles and have the best all-time conference record (156-26) in the league.

"It's definitely a new situation for us," SEMO volleyball coach Cindy Gannon said. "The regular

season didn't really turn out as we'd hoped it would. But in this tournament the slate's clear, we all start 0-0."

It's a sentiment echoed from coaches throughout the league. All of the teams in the tourney have either pulled off an upset or have

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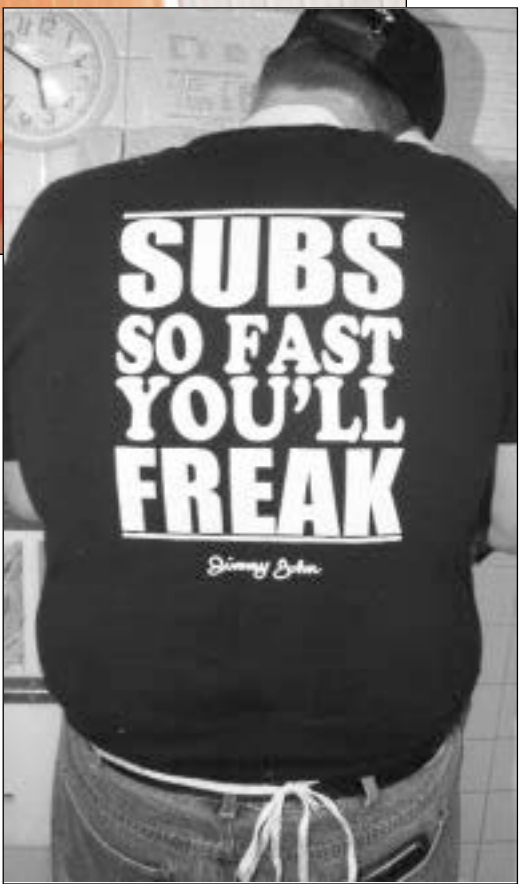
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Just thinking. . .

Reading ‘World According to Garp’ tedious



“When it came time for class, I decided I might as well go. I was making good progress and decided I might as well reward myself with a cookie and a tall glass of knowledge.”

by Matt Rennels
staff writer

Pop. Fizz. Sip. Seven down, five to go.

Saturday I woke up with one goal for my afternoon: To tear through John Irving's *The World According To Garp*, a 600-page novel assigned to be read and analyzed by Tuesday.

The last time I read a novel was, hmmm... Could anything in the Judy Blume collection be considered in this novel category?

Alright, alright...it has not been that long, but it has certainly been a while. I have never considered myself a natural reader, so I expected to wander off the track and trip over some bushes a few times during this marathon read.

Saturday afternoon passes and 150 pages later I head into work to deliver pizzas to Eastern's liquor-invaded campus until four in the morning. Sunday afternoon was eagerly anticipating my presence, but I wasn't waiting for it. I cracked open the blinds, the book and my eyes, and started to read.

Pop. Fizz. Sip. Eight down, four to go.

The reading went easily, kept me entertained and sucked the life right out of my Sunday afternoon. With a sigh of relief followed by a grunt of discontent, I marked my page and headed back to work, pizza in hand.

Off work at 9 p.m., back to reading at 9:10. As *Garp*'s world becomes more complicated, my world is begging for a complication.

No such luck. *Garp*'s world may be very much alive and kick-

ing, but Matt's life is cold, lifeless and lying in a gutter. But by this point I'm used to the dampness of this roadside curb.

Pop. Fizz. Gulp. Only three left.

I really would like to blame this weekend of bliss on my old friend: procrastination. I couldn't even approach the book, let alone open it and actually read it.

Checking the clock, I decided to go to bed and get a healthy four hours of sleep. I Wake up, head to class, come home and read the damn book. *Garp*'s world is picking up speed. At least someone's life is interesting.

When it came time for class, I decided I might as well go. I was making good progress and decided I might as well reward myself with a cookie and a tall glass of knowledge.

Fearing for my academic career I frantically look around the room. What's that stack of papers in the professor's hand? That tall, thick stack of papers could only be...A TEST!!

An hour and a bombed test later I went back into *Garp*'s world. Monday afternoon, evening and night were all firmly dedicated to Irving's novel.

My eyelids are as heavy as an anvil, time for the last Mountain Dew.

Pop. Fizz. Chug.

Right now it is 4:45 a.m. I just finished reading the book and I decided to take a break before typing the analysis. Since I don't drink coffee, I bought a couple cases of the caffeine-packed beverage Mountain Dew to fuel the mission.

This was my break.

Weekend Horoscopes

n Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21). You have been working so hard, take it easy over Thanksgiving break. Just don't forget that you will have to study sometime before you leave home after break.

n Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). This weekend should be relaxing. However, don't let yourself forget about the work due after break.

n Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan 19). Take your sweetheart out over break and enjoy some time together. Have a heart to heart over some pumpkin pie.

n Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Hit the books this weekend before you have fun over break. Study those subjects you dread.

n Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20). Go to the mall this weekend and treat yourself to some new winter clothes. Don't spend too

much though, or your bills will start to pile up.

n Aries (March 21-April 19). Hangout with friends, get a bite to eat and let yourself have fun this weekend. Take a weekend off from your worries.

n Taurus (April 20-May 20). You have been so stressed out. Go outside and get some fresh air to help relieve your worries.

n Gemini (May 22-June 21). Get ahead of your work this weekend. Concentrate and try not to procrastinate.

n Cancer (June 22-July 22). You and your parents have been drifting, give them a call and let them know how you've been. Talk over a cup of tea.

n Leo (July 23-Aug. 22). Your significant other is missing you. Give him or her a call and express your feelings. Let him or know how much you care



n Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Hit the clubs this weekend and dance the night away. Forget your homework for awhile. Hang out with some friends you haven't talked to for some time.

n Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22). Devote your time to a worthy cause this weekend. Visit a nursing home or a soup kitchen. It will help you take the focus off your own life and serve others in need.

Warning: Amber Williams and Karen Kirr are only psychics in training, weekend predictions may be way off.



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REVIEWS

Green Day hits sure to satisfy fans

by Ben Erwin
staff writer

Although the premise of a greatest hits album would almost surely violate any punk ethos ever espoused, International Superhits shows just how influential and amazing Green Day has been for more than a decade.

While never as political as Southern California punks Bad Religion or The Dead Kennedys, as aggressive as Black Flag or as sardonically humorous as No FX, Green Day has none the less been able to carve out quite a niche for itself in the realm of pop-punk.

With songs focusing on topics like love, individuality, boredom and masturbation, Green Day helped resurrect melodic punk in the early 1990s.

International Superhits, as the name would imply, focuses on Green Day's commercial success throughout the '90s rather than the off-beat eccentricities that endeared them to many music fans in the first place.

With tracks like the bass-driven Longview and future pop-punk blueprints Basket Case and When I Come Around, from the band's seminal 1994 release Dookie, it's easy to see

why the droning voice of Billie Joe Armstrong and the fleet-footed drumming of Tre Cool has been so readily copied and reproduced by countless bands.

Delving into the anger and frustration of the 1995 release Insomniac, with songs like Geek Stink Breath and Brain Stew, Green Day took a fleeting stab at more traditional punk attitude with mixed results.

Unlike many other punk acts however, Green Day have never been able to pull off such hostility, opting instead for dry wit and irony.

In a musical climate where most artists are lucky to put out a pair of successful albums, it's easy to forget exactly how many hits Green Day has had. Songs like Walking Contradiction, Minority and She show just how good Green Day has always been at writing infectious melodies and quirky lyrics.

Like many greatest hits albums put out now, International Superhits also contains two new tracks from the band; the unabashedly punky Poprocks and Coke and the more subdued Maria, which both fit in perfectly with the dichotomy of the album.

"International Superhits" HHH (Out of four stars)

While the inclusion of earlier material such as 10,000 Light Years Away and Dominated Love Slave from 1992's Kerplunk, or anything from 1991's 1039/Smoothed Out Slappy Hour would have been nice, if only to completely chronicle the evolution of the band, International Superhits does an excellent job of giving the listener an accurate portrayal of the group's career.

As a whole, International Superhits, while it may not contain all of Green Day's best songs, is a great way to compile the majority of the group's hits without buying a handful of albums.

Although there are those that have written Green Day off as talentless hacks (or simply the band who gave rise to Blink 182, Newfound Glory and Good Charlotte among others), Green Day proves its worth with this 21-song collection of catchy tunes.



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Green Day just released the album International Superhits, which is a compilation of their greatest hits and two new songs.

Buffy easily one of the best television shows

by Ryan Rinchiuso
staff writer

After viewing Buffy the Vampire Slayer's special episode Once More, With Feeling, I was reminded again why Buffy is the best hour on TV.

I was a late-bloomer when it came to Buffy. I did not watch the show from the beginning, foolishly believing it looked pretty stupid.

However, After watching the show a few times, I was hooked and Buffy quickly joined The Simpsons as a show I could not miss.

To pinpoint an exact reason

why Buffy is a great show is impossible because everything about the show is intriguing.

It is very hard to keep a show about a girl battling demons and vampires grounded, but Joss Whedon, the creator, creates an alternate reality that the characters live in apart from our own.

The tone of the show varies from minute to minute, and it is not a rare thing for one scene that was funny to become tragic all of the sudden or for a scene that was sweet to become horrifying.

It is also refreshing to see a show take big risks and do stuff that other shows would never

dream of doing. Not only do the producers take these risks, but when they do, the episodes are usually the best of the season.

Once More, With Feeling was a musical episode that has everyone in the fictional town of Sunnydale breaking into song and dance. This sounds fun, but while in song the characters repeatedly tell others their most personal secrets and feelings that they would never consciously tell anyone else.

Whedon, who wrote, directed and composed all the songs, has a love for music that comes out during the episode.

Whedon made this episode the most crucial so far this season. The actions and feelings that take place in this episode will have a definite impact on the show and will further the season along nicely.

Once More, With Feeling joins such great episodes as Hush the almost dialogue-free hit from the fourth season, The Body, which has everyone coming to grips with the sudden death of Buffy's mom and the whole second season's story about Buffy's true love, Angel, turning evil and torturing all of her friends.

It is very sad that every year the Emmy voters overlook this show. Whatever the reason is, the bottom line still remains that from the writing all the way to the acting on the show, Buffy doesn't just deserve nominations, it deserves to win.

To anyone out there who is not watching Buffy, now is the perfect time to start.

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