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COMMUNITY | VOLUNTEERING

labitat for Humanity builds 23rd home

Volunteers needed for completion of house on the corner of 11th and Vine in Charleston

> By KAITLYN PETERS Staff Reporter

Volunteers are needed on Saturday, July 25 from 8 a.m. until 4 p.m., as Habitat for Humanity builds its 23rd home in Coles County on the corner of 11th and Vine in Charles-

People can volunteer all day and receive a free lunch, or they can chose to work a four-hour morning or afternoon shift.

"All help is great and no experience is needed," said Rachel Fisher, interim director of student community services.

Volunteers may also come and go throughout the day, even if it is just for an hour.

"A great deal of work has been completed and I anticipate great work being completed this weekend," said Fisher.

Currently, most of the house and the siding is completed, and the shed is finished.

Chris Sims, volunteer coordinator, said they will mainly be working in the kitchen and installing cabinets.

However, they will also be working on the landscape of the house.

"We have been working on this house most of the summer and it is thrilling to see how far we have come," said Fisher.

"We think August 16 the house will be finished," said Sims.

The house will go to Angie and Delmas Tryon and their three children when finished.

The family selected the site from a number of locations owned by Habitat for Humanity.

Habitat for Humanity then pro-



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Coles County Habitat for Humanity have transformed homes for 21 years in Charleston and Mattoon.

vides an affordable mortgage to the Coles County," Sims said. family with no interest.

"No one has ever foreclosed through Habitat for Humanity in

The families do not have a say in the floor plan.

But, the families are given a bud-

get for other things, which are added to their mortgage.

All the houses through Habitat for Humanity are 1200 feet and their mortgages are around \$60,000.

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CAMPUS | NEWSPAPER

DEN puts out final issue; will resume tall semester

Staff Report

This is the final issue for the Summer '09 Daily Eastern News

The DEN will resume publication on Aug. 24, with the fall staff returning on Aug. 20, under the leadership of Tyler Angelo.

Angelo will be the editor-inchief for the '09 -'10 school year.

The summer staff will change positions as well, with Sarah Jean Bresnahan as Campus Editor; Sarah Ruholl as Administration Editor; Brad York as Assistant Verge Editor; Sam Sottosanto as Online Editor; Kayleigh Zyskowski as Activities Editor; Spenser Nobles as Editor-in-Chief of Minority Today; and Jennifer Brown as a copy editor.

Any questions or comments between now and Aug. 20 can be e-mailed to deneic@gmail.com.

STATE | MONEY

MAP Grant to discontinue in Spring 2010 semester

Staff Report

Many college students will be left trying to make a new budget plan for Spring 2010 since the new Illinois budget has been approved.

The Monetary Award Program Grants will not be given any longer in the state of Illinois after the upcoming fall semester.

This cut will affect 4,000 Eastern students, and will leave them without the MAP grant money.

The \$400 million the grant supplies to Eastern students will not be used to pay tuition or fees, said representatives from the financial aid

Eastern departments with the highest amount of students receiving this grant include all business majors with 350 students.

The second highest amount of students receiving this grant are the elementary education majors with 348 students according to MAP Grant fig-

The MAP Grant will be handed out for one last semester and are one of the grants that are dispersed on a need basis only.

This means the grant is distributed to stu-

In the long run, many officials believe students may be forced into more debt or even be put in a situation where dropping out is the only option.

dents who need the financial help the most, and wouldn't get the money otherwise, according to the financial aid office.

While the MAP Grant will no longer be in existence after the fall semester, there are other grants still available.

These grants will be awarded throughout the state to top students who plan to go into teaching or nursing.

The original budget planned to drop these as

In the long run, many officials believe students may be forced into more debt or even be put in a situation where dropping out is the only option.

UNIVERSITY | UPD

Faculty, staff parking permits now available

Staff Report

Faculty and staff permits are now on sale through the University Police Department.

Permits are currently only available online through PAWS.

The University Professionals of Illinois will meet with the Eastern administration on Monday to discuss the cost increase.

The UPI is against the cost increase for faculty and staff parking permits, which was announced in the spring by President

"We have not reached an agreement," said Charles Delman, chapter president of

"We will meet for negotiations again on Monday as scheduled. I note that the price of permits for union faculty and staff remains unchanged from last year's rate of \$50 per academic year," Delman added.

Lt. John Hatfill, director of parking services, was unavailable for comment in this staff report.

EIU WEATHER

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SATURDAY 82°|63°

WEATHER BRIEF

Partly cloudy skies with highs in the low 80s today and tomorrow. Expect a chance of thunderstorms and showers late Friday night into Saturday. Highs will continue to hover in the low to mid 80s next week.

For current conditions visit EIU WeatherCenter at www.elu.edu/~weather

CAMPUS | PHOTO OF THE DAY

Demolition on Ninth Street



CARI WAFFORD | THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

What was once known as "Margaritaville" is now a pile of rubble as demolition crews continued on their path down Ninth Street on Wednesday afternoon.

ENTERTAINMENT | INVESTIGATION

Lawyer: Police seek Jackson manslaughter link

The Associated Press

HOUSTON — Dozens of police and federal agents descended on the Houston clinic of Michael Jackson's doctor Wednesday in what his attorney said was a search for evidence of manslaughter, thrusting the doctor back under suspicion in the King of Pop's death.

Dr. Conrad Murray was with Jackson in his final moments at the singer's rented mansion in Los Angeles and accompanied him to the hospital. He has cooperated with investigators and the search was the clearest indication that authorities are looking for signs of possible wrongdoing.

Police have said little about the probe, neither confirming nor denying the possibility of criminal charges. The Los Angeles Police Department said he was still not considered a suspect, though the raid shows investigators are intensely scrutinizing the doctor.

It's still not known what caused Jackson's death at age 50. The pop star went into cardiac arrest in his bedroom and Murray performed CPR while an ambulance was called, according to Murray's lawyers.

Los Angeles police and agents with the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration went through the Armstrong Medical Clinic on Wednesday for about 2.5 hours. Authorities said they were searching for documents.

"The search warrant authorized law enforcement to search for and seize items, including documents, they believed constituted evidence of the offense of manslaughter," Ed Chernoff, Murray's attorney, said in a statement posted on his law firm's Web site. The Harris County warrant remains sealed and unavailable to the media.

Chernoff said agents left with "a forensic image" of a computer hard drive and 21 documents.

About three dozen officers and agents participated in the raid with Houston police surrounding the building as the investigators went inside at about 10:30 CDT. DEA spokeswoman Violet Szeleczky said about 20 people were in the Armstrong Medical Clinic, including employees.

A neighborhood crowd gathered to watch the raid until agents left after I p.m. and Houston police told reporters and the onlookers to leave the clinic's property.

Szeleczky said the agents were looking for Murray's records, not drugs, but wouldn't specify further. She declined to say how the search related to Jackson's death.

The search of Murray's office hard drive indicates authorities are looking not just for patient records but also for e-mails either between the doctor and Jackson or orders for prescription drugs, said Harland Braun, a prominent Los Angeles defense attorney who has represented doctors in cases involving administration of drugs.

Meanwhile, investigators in California also sought more information from Murray, according to Chernoff.

In a statement on his site late Tuesday, Chernoff said investigators from the Los Angeles County coroner's office have asked for medical records in addition to those already provided by Murray.

"The coroner wants to clear up the cause of death; we share that goal," Chernoff said in his statement. "Based on Dr. Murray's minute-byminute and item-by-item description of Michael Jackson's last days, he should not be a target of criminal charges."

An autopsy was conducted but results are not expected until next week. The Jackson family had a second autopsy performed and those results also are pending.

Braun said of Wednesday's raid in Houston that by stating they are investigating what they believe is manslaughter, authorities don't need to worry about patient-doctor confidentiality—the right doesn't exist in criminal cases.

To prove a charge of manslaughter, authorities must prove there was a reckless action that created a risk of death or great bodily injury. If a doctor is aware of the risk, there might also be an issue of whether the patient was made aware of that risk and decided to take it. A patient's complicity in taking the risk could reduce the doctor's culpability, Braun said.

Investigators have found the powerful anesthetic propofol in Jackson's home, according to a person with knowledge of the investigation. The person is not authorized to speak publicly and requested anonymity. The officials are working with the Drug Enforcement Administration and California attorney general's office to determine how the medications got there.

Also Wednesday, the coroner's office subpoenaed the records of former Jackson nutritionist Cherilyn Lee for information on her treatment of the singer, Lee's spokeswoman said.

Belinda Foster says Lee is cooperating with investigators but required a subpoena because the records were protected by law. Lee treated Jackson between January and April, when she says he began persistently asking her for the anesthetic.

Police detectives have already spoken to Murray twice—once immediately after the singer's death and again two days later. Police investigators say Murray is cooperating in their investigation. The Las Vegasbased doctor is also licensed in California, Nevada and Texas.

Sevcik, Chernoff's spokeswoman, said the interview with coroner's investigators might happen Friday. Murray is currently in Las Vegas and Chernoff would be speaking to investigators without the doctor being present.

There was no sign of activity Wednesday at Murray's medical offices in Las Vegas. Doors were locked and curtains drawn at his practice, Global Cardiovascular Associates.

There was no immediate record of a search warrant for Murray's medical office or his Las Vegas home, said Esther McElhaney, a Las Vegas court spokeswoman.

But she said police would have 10 days to provide a report to a judge in Las Vegas Justice Court about any items or documents seized if they had searched either location recently.

The DEA has assisted in probes into other celebrity deaths, including the 2007 overdose death of Anna Nicole Smith as well as that of actor Heath Ledger.

Jean Rosenbluth, a University of Southern California law professor, says the agency's involvement in the Jackson case suggests authorities are looking into whether drugs came from out of state.

Federal drug regulations include controls over whether and how frequently a doctor can write prescriptions over the phone, and DEA agents could be looking to see if these rules were broken, Rosenbluth said.

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CITY | APARTMENTS

Property put on file for public inspection

By KAYLEIGH ZYSKOWSKI

Online Editor

The council members voted to put the variance request for the property at Fourth Street and Polk Avenue on file for public inspection for two weeks so the council can have a better idea of which way they want to vote.

After the Board of Zoning and Planning approved and recommended the new plan 5-0, members of the council, including Mayor Jon Inyart, weren't so quick to agree.

Chad and Hadley Phillips, who are co-owners of the property at 407 and 403 Polk Ave, requested the variance.

Their variance included 22 two-bedroom apartments and one-bedroom apartments, but in order for the variance to be passed, the owners must meet three requirements according to city code, City Attorney Brian Bower said.

Council members Jeff Lahr, Larry Rennels, Tim Newell and Inyart agreed from the evidence presented to them Tuesday, the three requirements were not met.

Inyart spoke against the vari-

"I think this is less about neighborhoods and making the neighborhoods safe and more about maximizing profits," Inyart said. "Just because you can build something, doesn't mean you have

the family has done for the city and the amount of taxes they bring, and he has no problem with the apartment building going up.

"I just don't see why we have to stack them as high as they will go," Inyart said.

One of the requirements the council doesn't see met, is the requirement for economic hard-

'I appreciate that (they) tear down some of the worst buildings in the community and replace them with new and safe properties, but I don't see any evidence, that I reviewed from the zoning board hearing that there was any financial information presented that would illustrate how this qualifies as a financial hardship," Inyart said.

Reggie Phillips, father of the owners of the property and a landlord himself, spoke about the variance requested after the action items were completed.

He noted there are three and four bedroom apartments sitting empty, and the one and two bedrooms apartments are full.

"I don't know how you can get a bigger hardship than that," Reggie Phillips said.

All things considered, Jim Dunn and Newell said they liked the idea of the smaller amount of bedrooms per unit, especially since there will be the same amount of residents with either plan.

"Whether it's 23 of them or 17 to build something." - so of them, it's still the same amount Inyart said he appreciated all of people and same amount of

"I think this is less about neighborhoods and making the neighborhoods safe and more about maximizing profits. Just because you can build something, doesn't mean you have to build something."

- John Inyart, Mayor

cars. I just feel it's a more controllable situation with the single bedroom apartments," Dunn said.

The council will have until the next meeting on Aug. 4 to reexamine the zoning board hearing minutes and tape to look for more evidence that the three requirements are met.

In other business, the council approved to co-sign with the Carnegie Public Library for a \$400,000 loan with a six month line of credit.

This will allow the library to pay off all of their renovations to

The loan will be for 20 years with a balloon every three years where interest rates may be renegotiated, said library president Eric Huddlestun.

A bid award was granted by the council to the lowest bidder, Herritage Builders of Effingham, to complete the renovations of Firehouse number one.

The bid has been accepted at \$215,000 for the renova-

tions, which include a new roof, floor coatings and new over-head garage doors.

The council also approved a loan for the City Fleet Plan to purchase a 2009 Ford F-150 for city use. This purchase has already been budgeted Mayor Inyart said.

Finally, the city approved a resolution for a street closing from the intersection of Douglas Drive and McComb Street to Lovers Lane and Cortland Drive on Sept.

This will be for the Charleston Parks and Recreation Department Charleston Challenge-Duathlon.

The Charleston Challenge includes a two-mile run, a 20-mile bike ride, and a final 2-mile run.

"As I always state, the streets really don't get closed, they are just closed when the runners are in the path of the vehicles, other than that, the streets will remain open," Inyart said.

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CAMPUS BRIEFS

Textbook Return Deadline next week

Summer 2009 textbooks should be returned on Monday, Aug. 10 at 4 p.m.

Textbook Rental will be open Monday, Aug. 10 until Saturday, Aug. 15 from 8 a.m. until 4:30 p.m.

All textbooks do not have to be returned at the same time.

If a student is unsure about which textbooks they checked out in the first place, they can visit their PAWS account, which will list all the books they have checked out.

If textbooks are returned late, fines will be charged per textbook, on all textbooks.

For more information, go to www.eiu.edu/~textbks.

BLOTTER

It was reported by the University Police Department that a disorderly conduct occurred at O'Brien Stadium on Wednesday, July 22. The subject involved declined to press charges.

CORRECTION

In Tuesday's edition of The Daily Eastern News, it was reported that a group called the American Society of Mechanical Engineers (ASME) was protesting the increased price for faculty and staff parking permits.

The group is actually called the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees (AFSCME).

The DEN regrets the error.



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SARAH JEAN BRESNAHAN

Mistakes made, lessons learned

What a summer it's been.

Mine began with three big problems-my boyfriend left for New York for the entire summer, I had to take an economics class as my senior seminar and I stayed up very late most nights thinking about how I misspelled "rapport" about 10 times in my job application for Editor in Chief.

If only I had known about the problems that lay ahead, I probably wouldn't have stressed out about those

I applied for the position of Editor-in-Chief not just for the tuition benefits or the fact that I would be away from my hometown for the summer. I really wanted the chance to prove to certain people that I wasn't as inexperienced or dumb as they thought I was. I ended up proving to myself that I was capable of taking on such a huge responsibility without the crutch of my parents or boyfriend forcing me along the way.

Don't get me wrong, I did have fun, but the majority of my time was spent in a near-constant state of worry.

As summer Editor-in-Chief, I had to not only do regular EIC activities, such as help reporters and come up with ideas, but I also had to write, design pages, copy edit, post online and take photos.

But all of that was easy in comparison.

The deaths of Andrew Galo, a friend of mine and a close friend of my boyfriend, and Cameron Chana, a friend of many people I know, were hard enough to even deal with and even harder to write about.

The phone call to Chana's family and the conversation I had with his father will remain in my memory forever, as will the visualization of Galo's face and the way he used to smile whenever he walked into a room.

But I digress.

The hardest part was trying to juggle everything while not really knowing what I was doing.

I come from an entertainment reporting background. Before this summer, I knew nothing about Future-Gen, zoning issues, the Charleston city council, etc. If it weren't for the help from my amazing staff, my advisers and some very nice people at the Journal-Gazette Times Courier, this paper would have completely fallen apart.

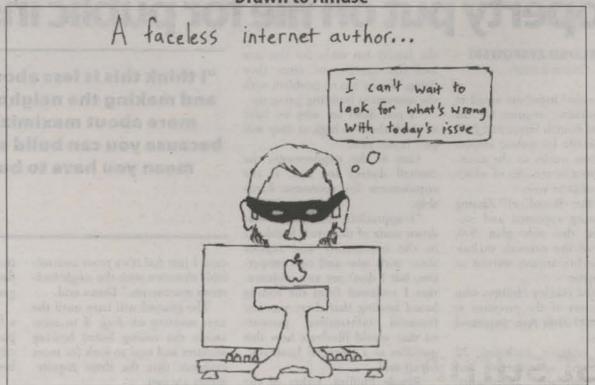
I know that I made a lot of mistakes over the last two months, but every mistake has been a learning experience.

It's like that Thomas Edison story. Edison failed 1,000 times when trying to create the light bulb. When asked about it, Edison allegedly said, "I have not failed 1,000 times. I have successfully discovered 1,000 ways not to make a light bulb."

I hope everyone enjoys their final weeks of summer before getting back to the daily grind. I know I could definitely use a break.

& Sarah Jean Bresnahan is a senior journalism major. She can be reached at DENopinions@gmail.com or 581-7942.

Drawn to Amuse



STAFF EDITORIAL

Constructive criticism leads to better learning

The Internet has given mankind many useful tools to work with in a technology-crazed world.

One of these tools used most frequently by journalists is the reader commentary posted online underneath stories. These comments should show us where we need improvement in our stories and offer great words of wisdom, for journalism students espe-

What doesn't help us is reading "The DEN sucks." Not only is the comment immature and unintelligent, but also it is a waste of the poster's time because the comment does absolutely nothing to

Understand that we are growing, learning journalists and we will make mistakes. That is why we are currently taking journalism classes—so that we can learn the ways of the profession. If we already knew everything there is to learn, there would be no point in going to school. We would be able to walk right into the New York Times and be offered a position.

We make every effort to do our jobs to the best of our abilities, and we do need help from the public to inform us of not only mistakes we have made, but also topics you would like to read about or topics we didn't cover enough.

Very rarely did we get any letters to the editor this summer. Instead, we were bombarded with many anonymous comments that were rude, insulting, and served no other purpose then to attack students that are learning how to do a job. It is a student newspaper; there will be mistakes along the way. If you can't stand reading the work of developing writers, then maybe it's time to subscribe to a professional publication.

We did receive a few e-mailed letters to the editor this summer that proved to be quite helpful in news judgment and in ways to better our articles. That is the only way we will learn. Anonymous bashing does nothing to help us.

The difference between anonymous posters and newspaper writers is that our words are published for the world to see with our names boldly stamped at the top. Anyone can easily write anything they want when they can make up a fake name. We must own up to everything we write.

In journalism classes we are taught to be accurate. Accuracy

and honesty are two of the biggest things that make a great journalist. We will be the first to tell you that we do try our best, but that sometimes our accuracy is diminished.

Sometimes, the final product that you see is the result of things we cannot control. It is the summer, and there is not much news. Oftentimes, it is difficult to find sources; even more often, a source will completely blow us off. It comes with the territory, but when there's not much to report on to begin with, it's hard to drop any story, no matter how weak it has turned out.

We are only human and students at that. Many of us hold multiple jobs and go to school. The time just isn't there to make the stories as perfect as we would like.

Our staff also suffered this summer, with only a handful of contributing reporters and columnists, and no cartoonists. With such a small staff, many times one individual would be responsible for an entire section of the paper. With such a responsibility, the time just isn't there to make every story as perfect as we would

We opened our doors to anyone who would have liked to write or draw. We posted flyers around campus and advertisements within the paper. With nearly no one answering, we were

One comment that we read time and time again was, "who reads the DEN anyways?" Although many comments at least gave us a smirk, none were more hilarious than this one. It was posted countless times, and every time we had the same thought: "well, apparently you just did!" The thought of someone so oblivious and ignorant is baffling.

Maybe some people do have a reason to stay anonymous. To all that posted constructive comments and sent us emails, we thank you. It is you who fuel us to be better and do

EDITORIAL POLICY

The editorial is the majority opinion of The DEN editorial board. Reach the opinions editor at: DENopinions@gmail.

YOUR TURN: LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

com.

DEAR EDITOR.

The Daily Eastern News should attempt to analyze the important issue of health care reform rather than simply declaring that public health care is a "dream" and challenging the always-dastardly Republican to support it.

The question was asked: "Can we truly afford public health care?"

It is an important, vital question, but no attempt was made to answer it. Rather, nationalized health care is simply endorsed as beneficial to all Americans and Obama is lauded for supporting it.

I don't care what conclusion the Edi-

torial Board comes to, but at least provide a reason for it. Please encourage actual thoughtful debate on this campus rather than using this forum to reflexively support anything Democrats propose while consistently painting Republicans as secretive, heartless, and backwards.

Matt Zimmerman Graduate Student, Political Science DEAR EDITOR,

Now and then the obtuseness of the DEN editorial page vexes me as it did in its July 16 opinion piece concerning abortion and parental consent.

The DEN fails to fully grasp that an abortion, unlike other medical procedures and risky life choices, is the willful termination of an unborn human life!

An abortion, no matter how medically safe and hygenic, could very well cause a temporarily frightened minor great emotional pain and crisis of conscience long after the procedure.

Leaving a pregnant minor alone and legally excluding a parent from such a grave, familial matter as an abortion is simply monstrous.

> Philip Blair Booth Library assistant

Letters to the editor can be submitted at any time on any topic to the Opinions Editor to be published in The Daily Eastern News.

The DEN's policy is to run all letters that are not libelous or potentially harmful. They must be less than 250 words.

Letters to the editor can be brought in with identification to The DEN at 1811 Buzzard Hall.

Letters may also be submitted electronically from the author's EIU e-mail address to DENopinions@gmail.com.

CAMPUS I SUMMER CHANGES

Eastern welcomes administrative changes

Over the summer, Eastern has gone through many changes. The physical changes, such as additions and renovations to buildings, may be very noticeable to the students upon their returns for the fall semester, but there have been some administrative changes as well. Here is a list of changes that have occurred this sum-

Retirements:

· Becky Markwell will retire on July 31 from the Safety Programs

· Vice President of External Relations, Jill Nilsen, has announced her retirement, effective December 31.

Administrative changes:

Steve Daniels was appointed as

the new department chair of physics. Leonard Storm has returned to his faculty position, where he will serve until his retirement from Eastern in

· Gary Bulla is now serving as the interim chair of biological sciences, with Steve Mullin serving as the interim associate chair.

· Craig Eckert is the new chair of the sociology/anthropology department, replacing Gary Foster, who will be retiring from Eastern in August.

 Mark McGuire is serving as interim chair of the chemistry department during the Fall semester, as Dan Sheeran completes a research sabbatical. Upon completion of the research sabbatical, Sheeran will

begin his appointment as chair on on June 15. January 1.

Doug Klarup has returned to his faculty position.

 John Dively was appointed as the new chair of the Department of Educational Leadership.

• The College of Arts and Humanities now has a new assistant dean.

Dwight Vaught, special events coordinator at the University of Wisconsin-Parkside, has accepted the

New Hires:

Michelle L. Eich, on June 8, was hired to be foods lab assistant of Peace Meal.

· Michael Keller was hired as a pipefitter of Environmental Control

· Lynette Barringer, as of June 29, was hired to be an electrician at the Electric Shop.

· Vicky Tucker is now an office support specialist of intercollegiate athletics

Changes:

. Jo Anne Thill became the service enterprises manager of Central Stores on June 1.

· Jamie Hackett is now accountant III of the Accounting Office.

 Marie Taylor, on June 8, became a clerk in Health Service

· Michele Jones became an office support specialist for communication studies on June 15.

Jennifer Zuniga is now the office

manager of the Business and Technology Institute.

· Michael Fowler has become an electrician for facilities planning and management.

Building changes:

 Textbook Rental Service will be getting a new home, located along Edgar Drive and a few blocks west of Illinois Route 130.

• The Student Success Center will now be located at Ninth Street Hall.

· Renovations have been made to the Student Recreational Center.

· The Lantz arena gymnasium floor has been renovated.

Information compiled by News Editor Spenser Nobles.

CREATIVE WRITING I PROSE

Last summer in Charleston before adulthood

By Sarah Ruholl Staff Reporter

It's 10 a.m. and I am battling yet anoth-

My roommate, Lindsey, has long since gone to work, just as hung over, but without the option of sleeping in.

With nothing better to do, I settle in for an hour of Mario Kart on Lindsey's old, green Nintendo 64.

It's hot in the cramped apartment the two of us are subletting for the summer, but money is tight, so I turn on an old fan instead of the air conditioning.

When Lindsey comes home for her lunch break, we try to piece together the events of the night before, which are a serve worder at the Bill

The keg parties with all the familiar faces are starting to morph into one hazy memory that will eventually become the totality of my last summer break.

It's not only my last summer before adulthood hits, it's my first not spent living with my family. It feels like a big step for me, and in many ways, it is.

The summer has been one of adjusting to the idea of adulthood.

My high school friends are starting to get married and settled down.

My first kiss, a friend of my older brother, got married last weekend; it still seems unreal.

My first love started dating my friend, and was crushed, spending three days in bed, crying and staring at my hands.

Broken hearts eventually heal, and I feel

stronger for the experience.

It pushes me to go out of my comfort zone and make new friends.

One of these new friends lent me his copy of "The Sun Also Rises" by Ernest Hemingway, and it made me a better writer in many

Improving my set of writing skills has become the focus of my summer as I start to worry about finding a job in journalism after graduation.

There are few people around and even fewer things to do, so my afternoons are often spent reading and watching movies with director's commentary.

Lindsey always laughs when she comes home to find me in my underwear on the couch, watching "Little Miss Sunshine" for the tenth time, but she understands there isn't much else to do.

On the nights that there are no parties worth going to or we're all too worn out from the previous evening's adventures to go out, we walk the half mile to our friends' townhouse to make a vegetarian, Charlestonstyle family dinner and play intense games of Monopoly.

It is in nights like those that I can finally start to see myself in a settled down existence, one filled with home cooked meals and people I love, but the next night when we decide to go out with a bottle of tequila, I know I'm not there just yet.

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STATE I POLITICS

Lawmakers stay in background of U of I scandal

The Associated Press

CHAMPAIGN — The uproar over the admissions policy at the University of Illinois has focused mainly on campus officials, but state lawmakers pulled the majority of strings that set off the crisis over money and political influence.

Few of them seem interested in talking about it - so far, only one of the nine asked to testify by the commission investigating the situation is set to appear. And the man running the panel says he'll keep his focus on the university.

But one expert says legislators shouldn't kid

themselves, and they should know their calls and e-mails on behalf of students placed undue pressure on the university — particularly given Illinois' "what's in it for me?" political culture.

"A call from a legislator carries clout," said Kent Redfield, a professor emeritus at the University of Illinois, Springfield and longtime observer of Illinois politics.

The university has been at the center of a storm since the Chicago Tribune reported in May that the school maintains a list of politically connected applicants known as Category I, and that some underqualified members of the list have been admitted under pressure from former Gov. Rod Blagojevich, university trustees and others.

Gov. Pat Quinn created the Illinois Admissions Review Commission to investigate the admissions of politically connected students to the university's flagship campus in Urbana-

Records released by the school show that most of those making inquiries on behalf of applicants are members of the Illinois General Assembly. House Speaker Mike Madigan's name appears on the list at least 40 times over five years, the most of any lawmaker. With him are dozens of House and Senate members.

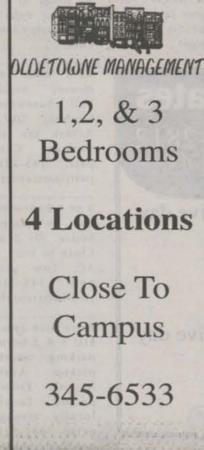
Madigan was asked to testify before the commission but doesn't believe he needs to and will not, his spokesman Steve Brown said.

"I think he was just responding to constituent requests," Brown said of Madigan's inquiries. "That's what legislators do on a vast variety of topics day in and day out."

Several other lawmakers who made multiple inquiries about Category I students did not respond to requests for comment from The Associated Press.









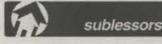
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BASKETBALL I CHICAGO

Spencer scores 15 to lead Liberty past Sky

The Associated Press

CHICAGO — Sidney Spencer caught the Chicago Sky defense flatfooted and made them pay.

The reserve guard scored 12 of her 15 points in the fourth quarter to help the New York Liberty rally for a 77-70 victory over the slumping Sky on Wednesday. Spencer, a third-year pro

from Tennessee, hit three 3-pointers in a two-minute span late in the game to lock up the game.

"Coach (Pat Coyle) really wanted us to execute in the fourth quarter because that's what we've been lacking," said Spencer, who was averaging only 2.8 points and 10.1 minutes per game before Wednesday. She logged more than 17 minutes against the Sky.

The victory was the second straight and third in four games for the Liberty (6-8). Chicago (8-9) suffered its second home loss of the season and has now lost six of its last eight games.

The Sky led 67-61 with 5:53 left in regulation following a Kristi Toliver jumper. But the Liberty replied with an 11-0 run to take command, starting with Spencer's first three-pointer at 5:17. Her second three-pointer with 3:37 left gave New York a 69-67 lead, its first since midway through the second quarter.

"She can shoot the ball, that's why we got her," said Coyle. "She has a ton of confidence and her teammates have confidence in her. She's not afraid to

Chicago closed the gap to 72-70 on

a Jia Perkins jumper, but the Liberty closed the game with five unanswered

New York's Cathrine Kraayeveld and Shameka Christon added 14 and 11 points, respectively. Reserve Ashley

Battle added 10.

Center Sylvia Fowles paced the Sky with 15 points while guard Jia Perkins and reserve Erin Thonn each had 11.

HOCKEY I CHICAGO

Hossa rehabbing shoulder injury

The Associated Press

CHICAGO - The Chicago Blackhawks say recently signed winger Marian Hossa is rehabilitating a shoulder injury he suffered during the Stanley Cup playoffs while with Detroit.

The injury was first reported by the Daily Herald newspaper in suburban Arlington Heights. The extent of the injury was not disclosed by the team.

Team spokesman Brandon Faber said Wednesday that team doctors are "monitoring" the injury.

A five-time All-Star, Hossa signed a 12-year, \$62.8 million contract with the Blackhawks on July 1 after helping the Red Wings reach the Stanley Cup finals, where they lost to Pittsburgh. He led Detroit with 40 goals last season and was third with 71 points.

Hossa's arrival coincided with the departure of Blackhawks forward Martin Havlat, who signed with Minnesota. The Blackhawks hope Hossa will give even more punch to a team that reached the Western Conference finals last sea-

BASEBALL I CHICAGO

Rays rally in ninth for 3-2 win over Sox

The Associated Press

CHICAGO - Another late rally, another dramatic win for the Tampa Bay Rays, and when it was over, Jason Bartlett let out a big sigh of relief.

"It's stressful, man," he said. It's a little easier when they have an ending like Tuesday night.

Carlos Pena's sacrifice fly off Bobby Jenks capped a two-run ninth, and the Rays beat the Chicago White Sox 3-2.

Late rallies are becoming the norm for the Rays, who swept Kansas City with three come-frombehind wins before falling short in Monday's 4-3 loss to Chicago. They loaded the bases in the ninth inning of that game but did not score against Jenks.

This time, trailing 2-1, they came

They had the bases loaded with no outs against Jenks (2-3) when Pat Burrell walked to force in Bartlett with the tying run. Pena drove in Evan Longoria with a sacrifice fly to right, making it 3-2 and sending the Rays to their fourth win in five games.

J.P. Howell allowed a leadoff single to A.J. Pierzynski in the bottom half, but he struck out Carlos Quentin and Jayson Nix before retiring Gordon Beckham on a comebacker for his 10th save in 15 chances.

The late rally made a winner of Jeff Niemann (9-4) and spoiled an outstanding start by Chicago's Clayton Richard, who allowed four hits over a career-high eight innings.

Niemann, coming off a seven-hit shutout of Oakland, scattered eight hits over eight innings, striking out seven without walking a batter. He got out of a bases-loaded jam in the seventh, striking out Scott Podsednik and Alexei Ramirez, but was looking like a tough-luck loser until the Rays got to Jenks.

"For me right there, that was the game," Niemann said. "I had to keep them right there at that point."

In a similar spot, Jenks couldn't get the job done. He declined to speak to reporters afterward, instead telling a team spokesman, "I'm going through a rough patch. I'll figure it out.

Bartlett, who struck out to end Monday's game, led off the ninth with a single and Jenks simply unraveled from there, blowing his third save in 25 opportunities. He hit Longoria and Ben Zobrist singled to load the bases before Burrell walked to tie it.

Burrell was doubled off first on Pena's sacrifice fly. Pinch-hitter Carl Crawford walked before Gabe Gross grounded out to end the inning.

Until that rally, the White Sox appeared to be on their way to their 14th win in 20 games. They scored two in the fifth to take a 2-1 lead on an RBI double by Beckham - one of his three hits - and grounder by Podsednik, and that looked like it might be enough.

Richard delivered his best outing fter going 1-2 with a 10.80 ERA in his previous five starts and putting his spot in the rotation — if not on the roster - in jeopardy.

"It's just common sense," Richard said. "At this level, when you struggle for so long, things have to get better. I realized that I would have a better outing. It's just unfortunate it didn't come out on our side.

With John Danks missing Wednesday's start because of a blister on his left index finger, the White Sox said they will purchase Carlos Torres' contract from Triple-A Charlotte and have him start. To make room for Torres, they optioned Aaron Poreda to the minor league club.

So Richard appears safe for now. A longer layoff because of the All-Star break seemed to help.

"I got a few more bullpen sessions, which was really nice," Richard said. "I got to address some of the issues that I had, and iron them out for the most part.",

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SOCCER | CHICAGO

Honduras vs. US hardly a replay

The Associated Press

CHICAGO - There's no Tim Howard, Landon Donovan or Carlos Bocanegra. Steve Cherundolo, Charlie Davies and Benny Feilhaber are back in Europe.

So much for Honduras being able to use its scouting reports from the last two games against the United States — even the one that's only two weeks old.

Honduras and the Americans play for the third time in less than two months in the CONCA-CAF Gold Cup semifinals Thursday night. Now most times, that would mean Honduras would know the U.S. lineup as well as its own. But the Americans have shuffled their personnel so much, it's like the Hondurans get a new opponent each time.

"This is a very good national team," Honduras coach Reinaldo Rueda said Wednesday as his team practiced at Soldier Field. "The men that come in, even though they don't have the experience, they're very good players and they've all transformed into solid players.

"It doesn't make it any easier for us," he added. "They're players that want to fight hard to please their head coach."

Costa Rica and Mexico play in the second semifinal, with the winners meeting for the title Sunday in East Rutherford, N.J.

The Americans have been so busy this summer, just listening to their schedule is tiring. It started June 3 with a qualifier in Costa Rica, and continued three days later with the first game against Honduras — also at Soldier Field. Then came the Confederations Cup in South Africa, where the United States stunned the soccer world by upsetting top-ranked Spain on its way to the finals.

There was barely time to repack the suitcases before it was off to Seattle, where the United States opened defense of its Gold Cup title on July 4. Four games later - including a victory over Honduras in group play - the Americans are here, playing for a chance to get back to the final and win their third straight title in this tournament.

Because the schedule is such a grind, coach Bob Bradley did an almost complete overhaul of his roster for the Gold Cup. He let most of his top players return to their MLS teams or take time off ahead of the European season, and is instead using the tournament as a chance to look at his young players - some of whom just might find their way onto the roster if the United States makes it to the World Cup in South Africa next year.

The Americans will likely be without one of their few veterans, defender Jimmy Conrad, still recovering from a concussion sustained in Saturday's quarterfinal victory over Panama. Michael Parkhurst, who had gone back to his Danish club after the first round, was recalled to help shore up the defense.

FOOTBALL | TERRANCE SANDERS

Sanders earns NFL tryout

Former Panther to try out for Rams after impressive arena league season

By JEFF JURINEK

Sports Editor

Former Eastern defensive back Terrance Sanders has been offered a tryout with the St. Louis Rams this week, and could potentially earn a spot on the team's training camp

Sanders is currently a defensive back and kick returner in his second season with the Boise Burn of arenafootball2. His 29.7-yard kickoff return average leads the af2. He is among the league leaders in interceptions with seven, and his seven kickoff returns for touchdowns are more than the entire Burn team had in the past two seasons combined. Sanders also leads his team in tackles with 80.5.

Sanders left the Burn for the tryout yesterday. If he is awarded a spot on the Ram's training camp roster, he will not return to Boise; if the Rams pass on him, Sanders is expected to return to the Burn's roster for Saturday's season-finale against Spokane.

With Boise this season, Sanders has won the af2's Ironman of the Week award twice; the first came against Central Valley on April 25, and the other on May 30 against

Sanders played for the Panthers from 2002-2006, making appearances in three NCAA FCS playoff games. In a 2006 first round playoff game against Illinois State at O'Brien Stadium, he returned an interception for a touchdown, giving Eastern the lead before the Panthers eventually lost. In 2005, he ranked second in the OVC in passes defended.

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ESPN | REPORTER VIDEOTAPED

ESPN reporter secretly videotaped in hotel

The Associated Press

HARTFORD - ESPN reporter Erin Andrews was secretly videotaped in the nude while she was alone in a hotel room, and the video was posted on the Internet, her attorney said.

The blurry, five-minute video shows Andrews standing in front of a hotel room mirror. It's unknown when or where it was shot.

Andrews' attorney, Marshall Grossman, confirmed Tuesday that the video posted on the Internet shows the 31-year-old reporter.

He said she decided to confirm it "to put an end to rumor and speculation and to put the perpetrator and those who are complicit on notice that they act at their peril."

Andrews plans to seek criminal charges and file civil lawsuits against the person who shot the video and anyone who publishes the material, Grossman said.

"While alone in the privacy of her hotel room, Erin Andrews was surreptitiously videotaped without her knowledge or consent," Grossman said in an earlier statement. "She was the victim of a crime and is taking action to protect herself and help ensure that others are not similarly violated in the

Andrews has covered hockey, college football, college basketball and Major League Baseball for the network since 2004, often as a sideline reporter during games.

A former dance team member at the University of Florida, Andrews was something of an Internet sensation even before the video's circulation.

She has been referred to as "Erin

Pageviews" because of the traffic that video clips and photos of her generate, and Playboy magazine named her "sexiest sportscaster" in both 2008 and

She last appeared on the network as part of its ESPY Awards broadcast on Sunday, and is scheduled to be off until September, when she will be covering college football, ESPN spokesman Josh Krulewitz said.

"Erin has been grievously wronged here," Krulewitz said. "Our people and resources are in full support of her as she deals with this abhorrent act."

It was not clear when the video first appeared on the Internet.

Most of the links to it had been removed by Tuesday.

Several TV networks and newspapers aired brief clips or printed screen grabs of it Tuesday.

Grossman responded to an e-mail question about whether he plans to go after those outlets by reiterating his statement that Andrews plans to seek civil charges against "anyone who has published the material."

He would not say what law enforcement agencies might be investigating.

ESPN is based in Bristol, but Connecticut State Police were not involved in an investigation into the video, said Lt. J. Paul Vance, a department

Vance said investigations into Internet crimes often begin in the victim's home state or wherever the video was shot, if that can be determined.

A phone call to a listing for Andrews in Georgia went unanswered. The Georgia Bureau of Investigation said it was not involved in any investigation of the video.

GALLIGAN GOES PRO



Former Panther Rachel Galligan, Eastern's all-time leading scorer for women's basketball, has signed with Club Baloncesto Conquero, a professional women's team in Spain. Galligan finished her career at Eastern with 1,891 points after starting for four years.

ACADEMICS | OVC AWARDS

Panthers bring home OVC awards for high GPA

STAFF REPORT

The Eastern women's basketball and women's track teams were both awarded Ohio Valley Conference Team-Academic Achievement Awards for their respective sports.

The awards were given out by the OVC to the team in each sport that had the highest percentage of athletes that earned a 3.0 of higher GPA for the 2008-2009 school year. The women's basketball team had 11 of its 14 players (78 percent) earn a 3.0 or higher, while the women's basketball team had 53 percent of its athletes earn a 3.0 or higher.

The OVC also released its Commissioner's Honor Roll and list of Medal of Honor recipients. The Medal of Honor award is given to student-athletes that earned a 4.0 for the academic year. Eastern had 19 players earn the Medal of Honor, including Ellen Canale from women's basketball, Justin Helpingstine, Brandon Hii and Kyle Swynenburg from men's cross country, Meghan Kennedy and Martha Pedziwiatr from women's cross country, Jason

Marcordes from football, Michelle Anderson and Katie Imburgia from women's golf, Hillary Blake, Jessica Blake, Kaylin Lorbert, Laura Ridolfi, Sarah Rusk and Angela Ziemba from women's soccer, Maria Sorrentino from softball, Samantha Manto and Bridget Sanchez from women's track and Brittany Wallace from women's volleyball.

A total of 122 athletes from OVC teams were awarded the Medal of

Eastern also had 161 athletes named to the Commissioner's Honor Roll, which is the most of any school in the conference with Medal of Honor recognition.

Eastern was also a runner-up for the OVC Institutional Academic Achievement Award, which is presented annually to the school with the highest percentage of its studentathletes named to the Commissioner's Honor Roll. Eastern was fourth, however all three runners-up were within two percentage points of firstplace Austin Peay, who ended a fouryear winning streak for Morehead

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