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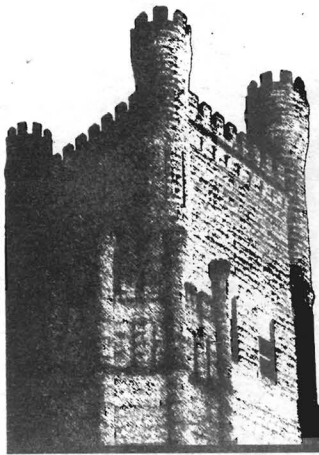
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Local businessman purchases Rockome Gardens in Arcola



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Bob McElwee finalizes the purchase of the 205 acre rock and floral garden July 4

By SAMAIYA EWING
NEWS EDITOR

Local businessman Bob McElwee finalized his purchase of Rockome Gardens on July 4.

Located in the heart of Amish Country, the sprawling 205 acre rock and floral garden attraction features buggy rides, train rides, a haunted cave, petting zoo, horse powered rides, and several arts and crafts shows each year.

"There are other rural villages like it throughout the Midwest, I just saw Rockome as a sort of diamond in the rough," McElwee said.

McElwee has owned Rockome for a week, the previous owner owned the complex for 47 years.

"Our family's had it since 1958, we have other businesses we want to give our attention to" Allan Yoder, the former owner of Rockome Gardens. "My kids aren't even around, they're in South Carolina, and Chicago, so they're not interested in doing anything with it."

Yoder hoped to garner at least 1.3mil for the park, which attracts between 50,000 and 60.0000 visitors during the summer months, and was sold complete with real-estate, buildings, and inventory.

The park was first put up for auction in February but lack of interest kept the bidding lower than expected, Yoder said.

A family enjoys a nice ride in an Amish buggy at Rockome Gardens Tuesday June 28. The tourist attraction in Arcola employs 80 to 90 people in the summer months and has 50,000 visitors during the summer season.

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Committee names Associate vice president for academic affairs

By CINDY TANNEY
ADMINISTRATION EDITOR

William Weber's job hasn't changed but his title is one word fewer.



WILLIAM WEBER, ASSOCIATE VICE PRESIDENT FOR ACADEMIC AFFAIRS

He will serve as associate vice president for academic affairs (VPAA) at Eastern after acting as interim for five years.

Weber's primary responsibilities include directing Eastern's summer session program, administering the budget for academic affairs and acting as a Provost liaison for faculty development.

Blair Lord, Eastern's provost and vice president for academic affairs said Weber has done exemplary work in managing the \$55 million budget for academic affairs.

"(Weber) knows the budgeting procedures backwards and forward," Lord said. "He has been an invaluable advisor in our time of financial constraints."

Dr. Bonnie Irwin, dean of the

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HARRISON CYCLERY PERMANENTLY CLOSING AFTER 34 YEARS

We've been trying to do this for four years, and we just sold the building. The new owners want to take possession of the building on July 25.

BEV HARRISON, OWNER OF HARRISON CYCLERY

By SAMAIYA EWING
NEWS EDITOR

Harrison's Cyclery owners Bev and Carlos Harrison are ready to retire.

"We're going to play bridge, and he's (Carlos) going to garden, Bev said of the couple's retirement plans.

The 34-year-old business has had its home on Lincoln Ave. since 1980, and will be closing its doors for good in late July, she said.

"A few of our old time customers were saying, oh no, you can't do that, said Carlos.

"We've been trying to do this for four years, and we just sold the building. The new owners want to take possession of the building on July 25," Bev said.

What the new owners will use the space for is unclear. "I can tell you what it's not going to be, it's not going to be torn down, it's not going to be part of Jimmy John's, but I don't know what it is going to be," Bev said.

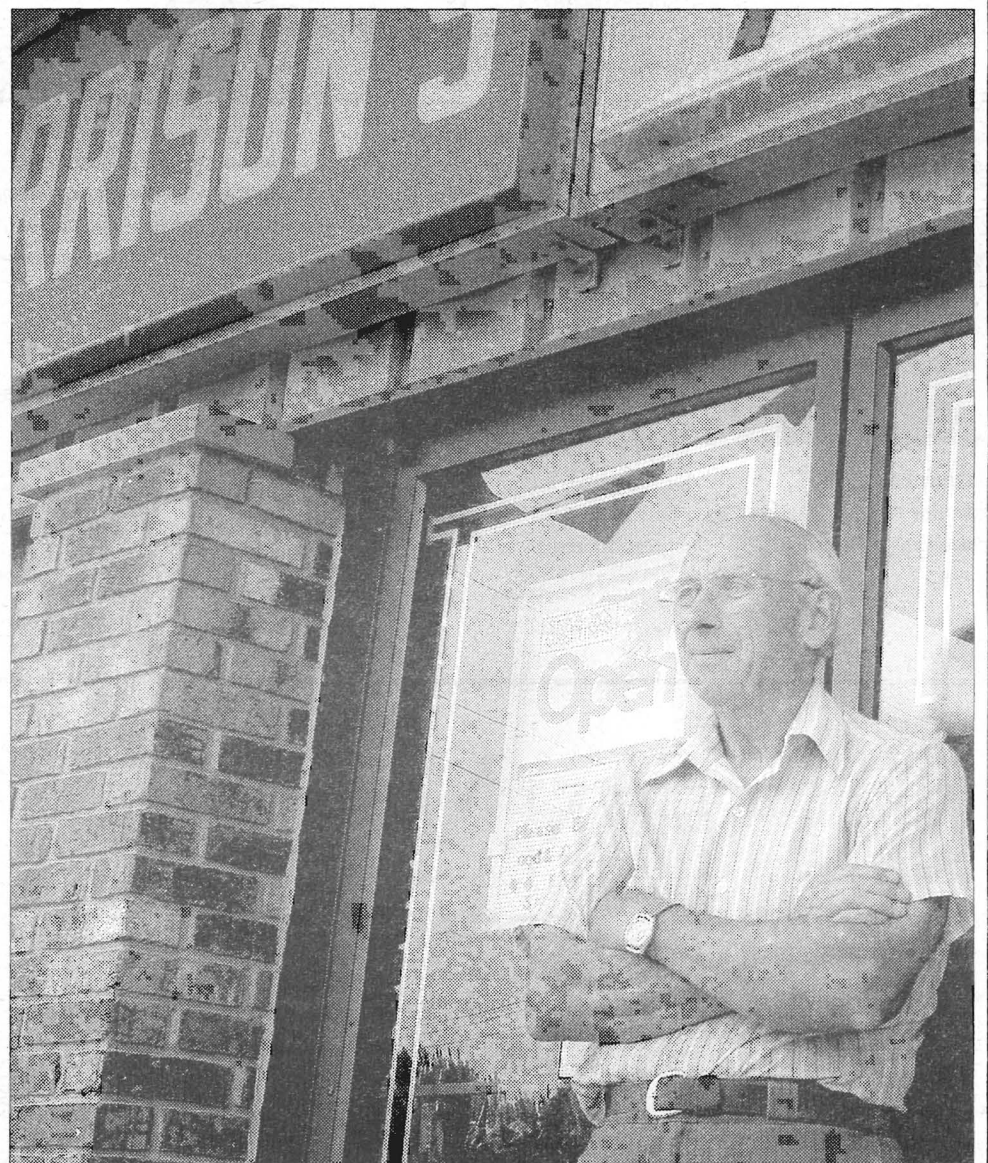
"We've only been over here six hours a week for the last six months, we're hauling stuff up, as soon as we get organized, we're going to have a rummage sale," Bev said.

Changes in the bike industry may have also influenced the stores closing.

"The bike industry itself has changed, all we used to sell was Schwinn, you could get everything you wanted from Schwinn, then they went through a bankruptcy period," Bev said. "When Wal-Mart came, a lot of people went out (of business), service is what saved us."

For the past few years the Harrison's specialized in service

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Carlos Harrison, owner of Harrison Cyclery, stands outside his business on Lincoln Avenue Monday. Harrison Cyclery is closing permanently near the end of July after being open 34 years.

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Candid cameras in construction zones

SPRINGFIELD (AP)- Illinois drivers soon will have another reason to watch their speed as they pass through construction zones- surveillance cameras.

State police are getting ready to monitor work zones with cameras mounted in two vans that will travel around the state.

The cameras will snap shots of people speeding, and then the photo and a ticket will be sent to the car's owner.

The fine will be \$375 or more. The registered owners will not be liable if someone else was driving.

The use of cameras was approved last year under a new state law. Now police are about to test them in a pilot project.

Thirty-nine people, including two construction workers, were killed last year in Illinois work zones, according to provisional data.

The 2003 toll was 44 people, including five workers.

"Troopers assigned to work zone details will take a zero-tolerance approach when issuing citations to speed-limit violators," said Larry Trent, director of the state police.

"We must protect these workers who ultimately make all of us safer by improving our roadways," said Trent.

Matt Vanover, a spokesman for the Illinois Department of Transportation, said the state has never before used photo enforcement for speeding.

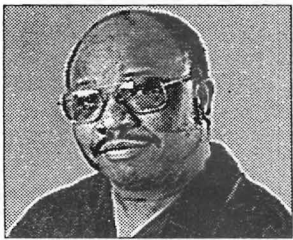
There will be signs in the targeted work zones warning motorists of the photo enforcement.

First-time work zone speeders will be fined \$375. \$125 of the \$375 fine will be going to pay off-duty state troopers for added enforcement in construction or maintenance zones.

Second-time offenders are subject to the loss of their license for 90 days and a \$1,000 fine. The fine includes a \$250 surcharge to hire troopers.

Drivers who hit a worker face a fine of up to \$10,000 and 14 years in prison.

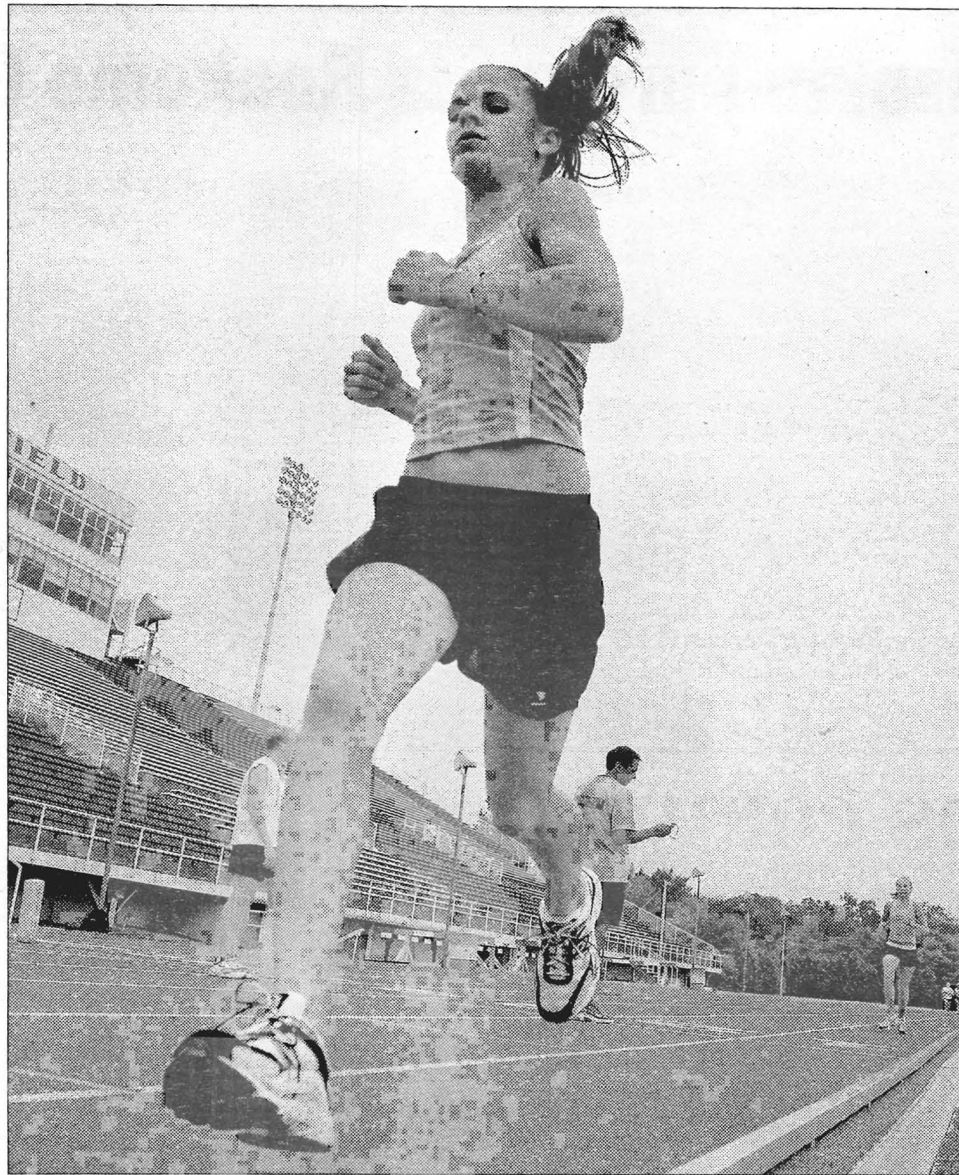
CORRECTIONS



Johnny Lee Lane
director of educational marketing at Remo.

In an article titled "From Music to Marketing," that ran on July 7, 2005, the Daily Eastern News incorrectly identified former Eastern Professor Johnny Lee Lane as Johnny Lee Lang. The Daily Eastern News regrets the error.

SPEED RACER



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Patti Swayka, 15, of Tinley Park leads the rest of the girls participating in the Goed Cross Country Camp during a 1.5 mile run Monday at O'Brien Field. Swayka finished first with a time of 9:13.

WTF?

Sheep jump to their death

ISTANBUL, Turkey (AP)- First one sheep jumped to its death. Then stunned Turkish shepherds, who had left the herd to graze while they had breakfast, watched as nearly 1,500 others followed, each leaping off the same cliff, Turkish media reported.

In the end 450 dead animals lay on top of one another in a billowy white pile, the Askam newspaper said. Those who jumped later were saved as the pile got higher and the fall more cushioned, Askam reported.

PEOPLE

Charlie's real

Peter Ostrum takes off his hay-scratched cap and gloves, then walks into a classroom at Lowville Academy. "This is the boy," a teacher says, introducing a smiling, 47-year-old mustachioed man. And 120 small fans start cheering.

Ostrum is the original Charlie Bucket, the boy star of "Willy Wonka and the Chocolate Factory." Now he's a veterinarian specializing in cattle and horses in New York's dairy country. He's also a husband and a father.

Just as Charlie Bucket was special by staying a normal boy, Ostrum very much just wants to be a regular guy. "No interviews," he politely tells reporters as he drives from farm to farm.

ONLINE POLL

What do you do to pass the time in Charleston when it's raining?

- A) Pull out one of my dust covered books and actually read.
- B) Spend the day at the movies, watching both of the movies playing at the theater, all day long.
- C) Walk in the rain, it's cheaper than paying for water.
- D) Thank my lucky stars I'm not in the middle of hurricane, because that would suck.

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TODAY'S EVENTS

	FRESHMAN DEBUT	ALL DAY	OLD MAIN
	Freshman Orientation.		
	EXCEL WORKSHOP	2 P.M.	BOOTH LIBRARY, ROOM 4450
	Workshop teaching the basics of Excel		

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Days until the release of the new Harry Potter book.

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disdain:
Extreme disgust or contempt for someone or something.

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Campus recycling could be better

BY CINDY TANNEY
ADMINISTRATION EDITOR

A "dumpster dive" or campus waste audit has left Eastern's recycling coordinator a bit discouraged.

Nearly 60 percent of materials thrown away since last July were recyclable, Allan Rathe said.

Approximately 1.4 million pounds of recyclable materials were found in campus dumpsters, he said.

"We can do better," Rathe said.

Materials recycled by Eastern which range from motor oil to books are measured by weight, he said.

The average Eastern student tosses out nearly 260 pounds in garbage each year, Rathe said.

However, the university has saved approximately \$33,000 in waste removal costs in the previous academic year, he said.

Six to eight students are employed at Eastern to haul recyclables each year, Rathe said.

"In the long run (recycling) will save us money and that will ultimately mean our costs won't go up as much," said Mark Shaklee who

EIU can recycle:

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|----------------|------------------|
| ◆ Filestock | ◆ Mix paper |
| ◆ Cardboard | ◆ Plastic |
| ◆ Books | ◆ Batteries |
| ◆ Computers | ◆ CD-Roms |
| ◆ Motor oil | ◆ Food oil |
| ◆ Freon | ◆ Glass |
| ◆ Toner | ◆ Computer paper |
| ◆ Floppy disks | ◆ Scrap metal |
| ◆ Mattresses | ◆ Alum. cans |
| ◆ Tires | ◆ Mercury |
| ◆ Newspaper | |

oversees a segment of recycling at Eastern as associate director of housing.

Recycling is needed at Eastern during a time of budget constraints, Rathe said.

"Let's face it. We're caught in a spiral right



NORA MABERRY/THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

Jim Weber loads recyclables into the back of a truck in front of Buzzard Hall Monday afternoon. Allen Rathe, recycling coordinator for Eastern, feels the program could do much better than it already does.

now," he said. "Think of how much we would be spending if we didn't do this.

"Our resources are diminishing. So, what are we going to do when we run out?"

Eastern's recycling program began in 1993

with the university saving nearly 14.3 percent in waste. In 2004, the university recycled nearly 34 percent of its waste, according to a report on campus waste collection.

Drum Corps competition brings 'thunder' to O'Brien

BY SARAH WHITNEY
CAMPUS EDITOR

Along with expected thunderstorms, the Drum Corps International Thunder on the Prairie Competition will roll into Charleston, Thursday.

The competition begins at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, at O'Brien Stadium. Acting Chair of the music department, W. Parker Melvin said that the marching band "stands to benefit" from the event's ticket sales. The funds that support Eastern's marching band comes from the athletic department budget.

"As generous as athletics is in providing these monies, running a marching band is an expensive enterprise and there's always more need for funds," Melvin said.

The department hopes to have 5,000 to 7,000 people to attend the performance.

The Cavaliers, from Rosemont,

"If attending one of these events doesn't make your hair stand on end, you might want to check your pulse."

W. PARKER MELVIN,
ACTING MUSIC DEPARTMENT CHAIR

who are among the drum corps that will perform for the event, are six-time world champions as well as being this year's defending champions.

The Cavaliers will conduct a free open rehearsal at 6:30 p.m., Wednesday at O'Brien Stadium. The Cavaliers have hosted similar open rehearsals as part of their high school and fan appreciation outreach at Keokuk, Iowa, and Carmel, Ind., while touring the Midwest.

The Cavaliers have visited campus several times before back to the early

90s, Melvin said.

Also performing at the "Thunder on the Prairie Competition" will be The Magic, from Orlando Fla.; The Colts, from Dubuque, Iowa; The Madison Scouts, from Madison, Wis.; and Pioneer, from Milwaukee, Wis.

Drum corps groups are similar to professional marching bands that feature musicians performing on brass and percussion instruments and accompanied by a color guard unit. "There's a lot of excitement when you watch a drum corps presentation,"

Performance Info

- ◆ **Who:** The Cavaliers and other Midwest Drum Corps
- ◆ **What:** Thunder on the Prairie Competition
- ◆ **When:** 7:30 p.m., Thursday, July 14
- ◆ **Where:** O'Brien Stadium
- ◆ **Call:** (217) 581-2016 for ticket information.

Christine Beason, one of the coordinators of the "Thunder on the Prairie Competition," said. Beason said that each group's performance is highly choreographed and visually exciting. "These are spectacular events. If you've never seen one of these things, just go," Melvin said. "If attending one of these things doesn't make your hair stand on end, you might want to check your pulse."

Thursday blood drive

STAFF REPORT

Due to a critical blood shortage, the American Red Cross has issued an urgent appeal for blood donations.

Every day blood is needed in hospitals and emergency treatment facilities for patients, according to Donor Recruitment Account Manager Tracy Torbeck.

"We have a commitment to our patients in need," said Torbeck, "It's really hard to collect blood at EIU during the summer because so many students are gone."

The blood drive is scheduled for Thursday from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Student Recreation Center. Torbeck advises anyone who is eligible to participate in the blood drive Thursday to do so and help the Red Cross reach its goal of 25 donors.

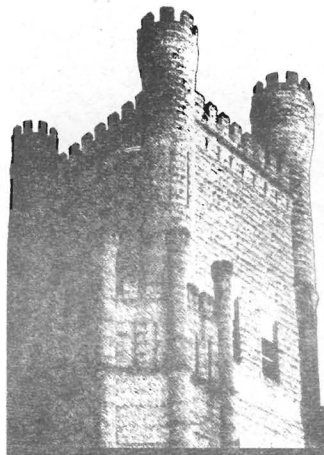
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EDITORIAL

Students need input in ranking

At issue

The U.S. News college ranking system includes input from many different factors, including administrators, alumni, and other institutions.

Our stance

Using student opinions in the ranking decisions would allow for a fairer judgment of a college's or university's abilities as an institution.

On Aug. 29, U.S. News and World Report will release their 2006 ranking of the best colleges in the United States. Last year, Eastern ranked 38th out of 142 schools in the Master's (Regional/Midwest) category.

U.S. News takes statistics from several categories and in a sense grades the universities based on their performance.

The most important factors when US news ranks institutions are: peer assessment, a survey of what other institution administrators think about the institution; retention, the number of students who graduate after six years and the number of freshman who return for sophomore year; student selectivity, a combination of the

number of students admitted and how many of the admitted students are in the top percentage of their high school; faculty resources, including faculty salary, faculty degree level and student-faculty ratio; graduation rate, expected graduation rate versus actual; and, finally, alumni giving rate.

While these rankings are helpful to perspective students, The Daily Eastern News thinks the U.S. News' survey is not an accurate representation of whether an educational institution is better than the next. Comparing institutions based on statistical date is just like deciding whether a person is better than her neighbor because she has more kids and makes a larger dollar amount.

For example, because Eastern is in the Master's category, U.S. News weighs the peer assessment and graduation rate at 50 percent of its final score. The peer assessment covers the opinions of what other institutions' administrations think about the institution down the street. As a result, what presidents of other Midwest universities who offer Masters' degrees think about Eastern is 25 percent of our final score.

The Daily Eastern News argues that the quality of education is not quantifiable. To make the ranking more balanced, we propose that U.S. News take not just the administrators' thoughts into account, but the thoughts of students who attend the institution as well.

We are the ones who chose to attend Eastern, and when we made that decision, alumni donations were not a deciding factor. Most students care more about the quality of their major's degree program, instead of what Southern Illinois thinks.

Students are also familiar with aspects of the university that the administrators can not objectively comment on: for example, which residence halls are better than others, which professors are better for which classes, or the overall campus atmosphere.

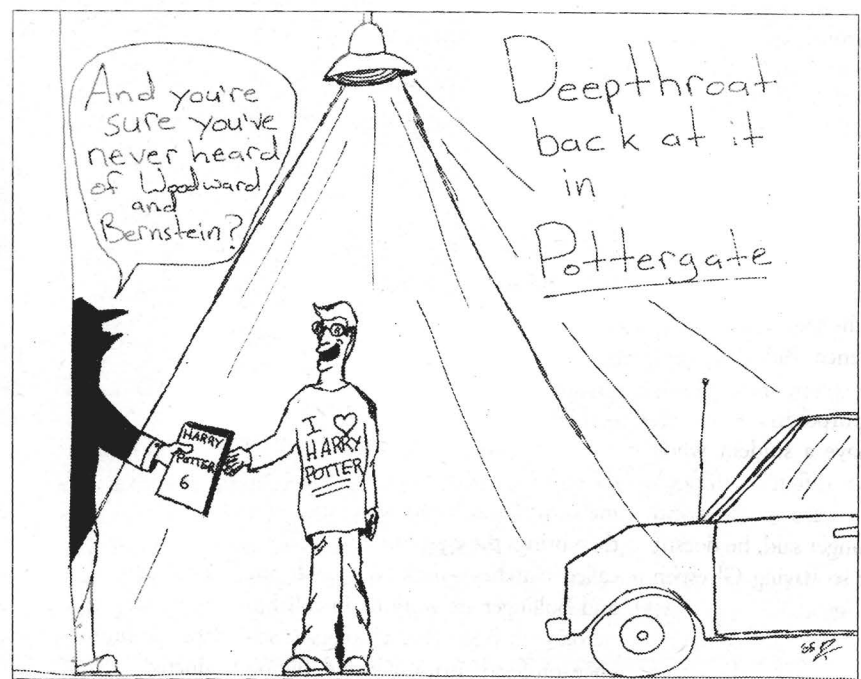
About Eastern's 2005 ranking, President Lou Hencken said, "We work extremely hard to preserve both our tradition of academic excellence and our reputation of strong nurturing relationships with our students. Our rankings reflect a continuing commitment by our faculty and staff to uphold these traditions and values."

While it is nice to brag about Eastern's success, the rank is only a reflection of what others think about us.

In the end, the ranking system does not give the students—whose opinion should matter the most—any say.

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

EDITORIAL CARTOON BY DAVID THILL



COLUMN

Personal blogging becomes political

A blog, or a weblog, is a web-based publication consisting of an online journal or a news publication that is usually updated by an individual and published in reverse chronological order.

If you type the word "blog" into any Internet search engine, you're likely to come back with a lot of hits.

I got 125 million to be exact.

The fact is, these blogs are everywhere. Individuals have blogs, as do political campaigns and corporations.

In a recent study from the Pew Internet and American Life Project, it is determined that out of the 120 million adults in the United States that use the Internet, eight million have some sort of blog.

Blogs have evolved from being a communication tool for friends or people with similar interests into a way to lobby government officials,



NORA MABERRY
ENGLISH GRADUATE STUDENT

Maberry is Online Editor and a columnist for The Daily Eastern News.

and that could be a problem.

A Reuters article from July 10 says, "Politicians are taking notice (of blogs) as they prepare for the first high court nomination fight since the Internet has become common in American households."

The article goes on to cite three bloggers who are devoting their blogs to the Supreme Court nomination.

Let's examine this.

Three people who signed up for a blog service now have a way to attempt to influence who will be nominated for the United States Supreme Court.

They were cited in a Reuters

article as if they were experts.

The fact that anyone can just sign up for web space and put their thoughts out for mass consumption is great. It's an amazing way to spread ideas.

However, I seriously doubt that all eight million bloggers are experts on what they blog about.

Blogs are usually just a way to comment on something in the news or something going on in someone's personal life.

I write a blog for a publication at Eastern, but I don't think it's the proper medium through which to lobby for an important cause.

When you factor in that corporations have blogs, as do political campaigns, law firms and political action committees, it becomes necessary to carefully examine why the blogger is saying what they are saying, what their angle is, and why they are putting their thoughts out there for mass consumption.

YOUR TURN: LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

SCHUETTE COLUMN WAS IRRESPONSIBLE, UNFAIR

I just read Brian's article regarding Kim Schuette. Things must be really slow in Charleston to have an article devoted to a decision that was made by an 18 year old freshman about eight or nine years ago.

It is obvious that Mr. Kidwell is not a student-athlete and does not understand the relationship between a coach and a player, particularly as a freshman. To even suggest that there is any comparison to Bill Clinton/Ken Starr and/or Mark McGuire/steroids

and this job candidate is so irresponsible that it doesn't bear comment.

When questioned about her decision to transfer to Indy State, her reply was a very diplomatic, "Some things changed. I was able to go to another program. It worked out for the best." It was a perfect response.

Her decision to transfer out of EIU had to be a tough decision in her freshman year. To use this to insinuate that her departure was a part of a sinister plot is ridiculous. Ms. Schuette does not owe anyone an explanation of why she left the program.

Mr. Kidwell also refers to EIU as being used a stepping stone to a high-

er plateau. If Mr. Kidwell thinks that Indy State is a step up from Eastern, perhaps he should think about transferring to Indy State himself and write about topics he knows something about.

There are two candidates applying for the head coach position. Whoever becomes the head coach of the softball program should be welcomed with open arms, and all of EIU should embrace the decision made by the committee and the staff.

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INTERNING FOR ANIMALS

Biology major spends summer studying birds

BY SARAH WHITNEY
CAMPUS EDITOR

Not everyone knows Jennifer Gleespen, environment biology major, but to the fish living in the Life Science Building, she is the most important person in the world.

Gleespen is working as a summer intern for Eric Bollinger, biological sciences professor. Her responsibilities include gathering research on the nesting sites of grassland birds, feeding the fish living in the second floor tank in the Life Science Building, and doing study skins (prepping dead animals for display purposes).

"It's nice to have a student who's motivated to do different things," Bollinger said. Between teaching and his research, Bollinger said, he doesn't have much time so having Gleespen around has been "great."

When she graduates, Gleespen said, because she is a "farm girl," she wants to work at an EPA lab and conduct soil and water testing.

This summer Gleespen has been helping Bollinger research the effects of DDT on the eggs of grassland birds.

DDT, dichloro-diphenyl-trichloroethane, was developed during World War II to combat malaria carrying insects among military and civilian communities. It was the first modern pesticide but the Environment Protection Agency banned its use in the United States in 1972.

"What we're doing is, I go out just about every morning and look for

About DDT

- ◆ Takes more than 15 years to break down in the environment
- ◆ In 1972, the Environmental Protection Agency banned DDT's use.
- ◆ Can cause liver cancer in humans
- ◆ Still present in United States, even though it is not used in the environment

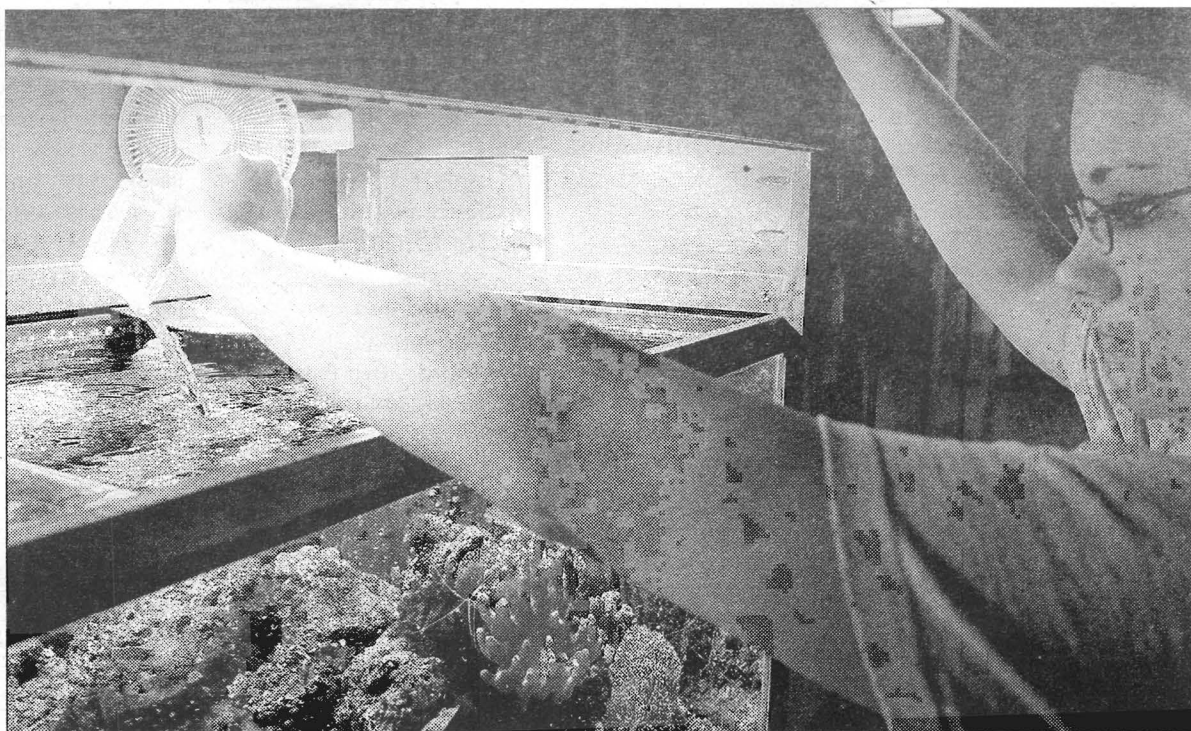
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dickcissel's eggs, which are kind of like meadow larks," Gleespen said. She then brings the eggs from each nest—called clutches—back to school. She and Bollinger are working in collaboration with Brian Peer a biological science professor from Western Illinois University. Gleespen collects the clutches, and then Peer tests the eggs for DDT concentrations.

"A lot of people think that pesticides, like DDT, are not a problem anymore because they're not used in the U.S.," Bollinger said. He went on to explain that developing countries like in South America where the dickcissel nests during the winter still use harmful pesticides.

It is quite possible that the birds can pick up a reasonable concentration of DDT during the winter, he said.

The data Gleespen collected this summer will be analyzed in the fall, so



DANIEL WILLIAMS/THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

Jennifer Gleespen, a senior environmental major, feeds flakes to the saltwater fish on the second floor of the Life Science Building Monday. Gleespen is spending the summer as an intern for Dr. Bollinger.

how significant the DDT concentrations are now, is undetermined, but the preliminary research Peer conducted in Iowa showed that DDT concentrations there were reasonably high, Bollinger said.

In extreme cases, Gleespen said DDT can hinder the calcium metabolism in the female bird, which causes her egg shells to thin. This causes a problem because the egg may break before the developing bird reaches maturity resulting in death, she said.

Gleespen has collected 10 clutches with four eggs in each clutch and approximately 40 eggs, Bollinger said.

In consideration of the birds, the Illinois Department of Nature and Wildlife has issued a permit that only allows Gleespen to collect 10 clutches,

Bollinger said.

"Obviously, it's not ideal for (the birds), but they'll re-nest," Bollinger said. He added, 50 to 60 percent of the collected clutches would not have survived anyways because of predators, like snakes and raccoons.

In Coles County there are thousands of pairs of dickcissel and the research only affects 10 pairs, Bollinger said.

Gleespen began her work in May and expects to be finished with the field work over the next few weeks. In the fall, Gleespen will do undergrad research with Bollinger.

She said that she probably will be analyzing the DDT concentration data she collected over the summer.

Coles County bird: Dickcissel

Scientific name: Spiza americana

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Agencies propose wide-ranging Great Lakes cleanup plan

BY JOHN FLESHER
ASSOCIATED PRESS

TRAVERSE CITY, Mich.—A partnership of federal, state and local officials has proposed a long-term strategy for restoring the health of the ailing Great Lakes, an effort that would cost billions of dollars.

The plan announced Thursday makes dozens of recommendations in a bid to solve some of the lakes' most pressing problems, such as the invasion of exotic species, habitat degradation and toxic pollution.

"The unique nature of these majestic lakes and their role in the cultural, economic and environmental well-being of our nation requires us to take bold action in their defense," said Stephen L. Johnson, administrator of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency.

The partnership released the draft plan for a 60-day public comment period, after which it will craft a final version for release in December. Eight U.S. states, including Illinois, and two Canadian provinces border on the lakes, which contain 20 percent of the world's fresh surface water.

Chicago Mayor Richard Daley, whose city sits on the shores of Lake Michigan, pledged his commitment to the efforts.

"The strategy includes an unprecedented attempt to coordinate federal, tribal, state, local and grassroots programs dealing with the Great Lakes that aims to make the lakes healthier and protect them from further harm," Daley said in a written statement.

President Bush last year ordered the EPA to assemble the partnership to coordinate Great Lakes cleanup efforts. The move followed a Government Accountability Office report

describing existing programs devoted to restoring the lakes as disjointed and producing uncertain results.

Among the partnership's recommendations were restoring wetlands, streamside buffers and other crucial habitat, and upgrading municipal sewers to stop the overflow of raw sewage into the lakes, which often prompts beach closings.

The partnership also advised enacting federal laws to prevent invasive species from entering the lakes, and reducing discharge of mercury, PCBs, dioxins, pesticides and other toxins into the lakes.

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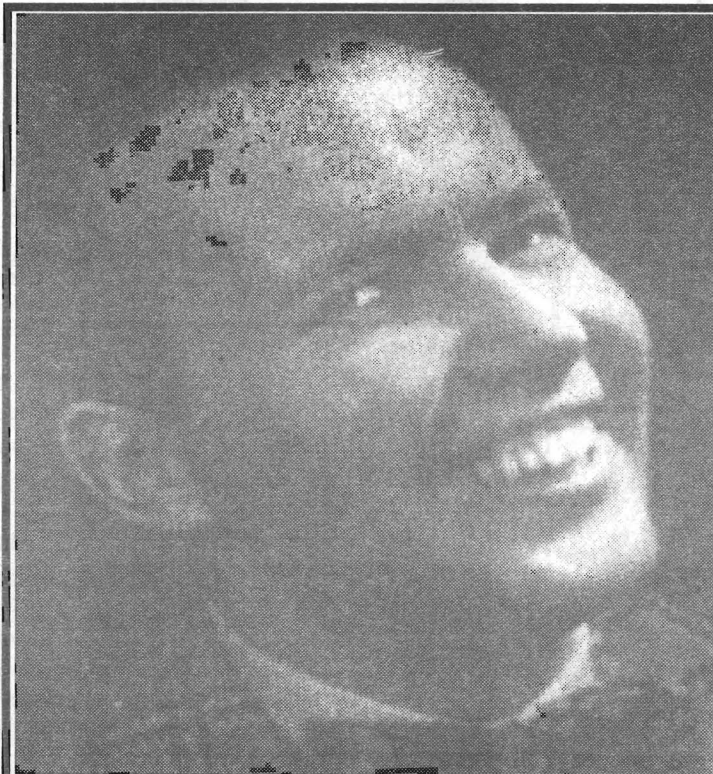
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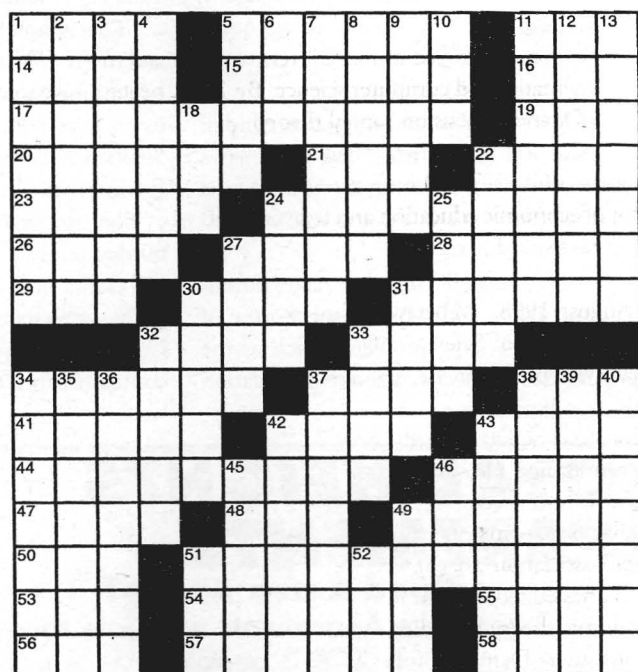


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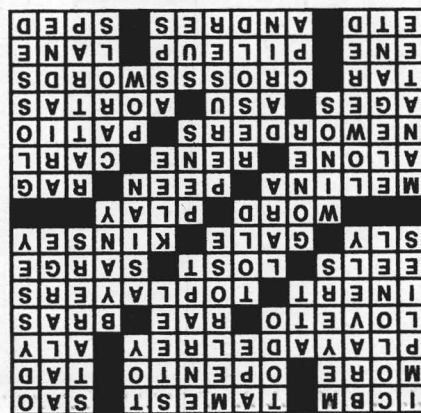
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 - 16 Smidge
 - 17 Beach community near LAX
 - 19 Khan who wed Rita Hayworth
 - 20 "It'd be my pleasure"
 - 21 "Norma ___"
 - 22 Bikini parts
 - 23 Like a bump on a log
 - 24 Outermost strata
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 - 27 Like Bo Peep's sheep
 - 28 Beetle Bailey superior
 - 29 Foxy
 - 30 Air force?
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 - 37 Hammer part
 - 38 Dipstick wipe, often
 - 41 Sans friends
 - 42 Philosopher Descartes
 - 43 Psychologist Jung
 - 44 Soldier's reassignment papers
 - 46 Backyard party spot
 - 47 Who-knows-how-long
 - 48 Tempe sch.
 - 49 Main arteries
 - 50 Surfacing stuff
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 - 53 Pittsburgh-to-Boston dir.
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- 12 Egg carton spec
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- 31 Swiss artist Paul
- 32 Skid row sights
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- 34 Animal on a Florida license plate
- 35 Tastefully beautiful
- 36 Revised downward
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- 38 Seedy stopover
- 39 She helped Theseus escape the labyrinth
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ROCKOME:

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The affect the sale of the park will have on local tourism is uncertain.

"I think the area needs tourism, it would be a shame not to have tourism in Arthur," said Yoder.

"I think it's (the sale) going to have profound impact on local tourism," McElwee said.

The future plans for the Gardens are still a mystery.

"If he (McElwee) wanted to bulldoze it, he could do that, but I don't think that's the purpose," Yoder said.

"We have a lot of new activities that are planned for the site, we can't really announce them yet because we don't have them finalized," McElwee said.

The history of the park is speckled with growth and change.

Upon opening the park did not have any shows, but grew to feature quilting and cross stitching shows as well as a summer horse shows under the Yoder's ownership, Yoder said.

Rockome Gardens employs 80 to 90 people in the summer and 60 to 70 people during the winter months, said Yoder.

"It's been the same for I don't know how many years, and the last couple of years haven't been as busy," said Kathryn Otto an employee of the park for six years.

"I know they (the Yoders) want to sell it, they said by Sept. 1 there will be new owners," said Otto.

"I don't know if I'll be working here after it changes hands or not," said part time Rockome handy man Don Crist.

"We've heard hundreds of rumors, we don't know what's true, we only know we're here until we're told go home," said Ruth Ann Troyer an employee at Rockome Gardens for 11 years.

Whether or not the employees stay on will depend primarily on their interest in doing so, and their interest in the new vision for the Gardens, said McElwee.

"It will become a regional family destination," McElwee said.

WEBER:

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Weber taught economics for 10 years at Eastern before joining the university's administration

university's Honors College, a segment of academic affairs, said Weber is skilled in dealing with budgets.

"He probably understands Eastern's budget more than anyone else," she said. "He explains things quite well."

In 1980, Weber enrolled at the University of Kansas to study mathematics and computer science. By 1986, he left with a Ph.D. and a thesis on capital theory.

Weber taught economics for 10 years at Eastern before joining the university's administration. He also served as director of economic education and treasurer and vice president of Eastern's chapter of the University Professionals of Illinois.

In August 1998, Weber was named associate dean of Eastern's College of Sciences. He was appointed as acting associate vice president for academic affairs in September 2000.

Weber said he has limited time to dedicate to his discipline, economics. However, he said he makes an effort to attend at least one economics conference every year.

He has been a member of the International Trade and Finance Association since its inception 15 years ago.

Weber has edited and authored several forms of research on economic theory including

"Consumer Demand for the Baseball Experience: Uncertain Demand with a Capacity Constraint" in the Journal of Economics.

Farm Aid returns to Central Illinois

By NATHANIEL HERNANDEZ

ASSOCIATED PRESS WRITER

CHICAGO—Twenty years after Willie Nelson, John Mellencamp and Neil Young organized a daylong music festival in central Illinois to benefit cash-strapped farmers, Farm Aid is coming back to the state where it started to celebrate its anniversary, organizers announced Monday.

When the three take the stage Sept. 18 at the Tweeter Center in the Chicago suburb of Tinley Park, they know a growing demand for organic products is giving a boost to their efforts to raise millions of dollars to help the people who work the land.

"A lot more people are interested in finding out where their food comes from now than they were 20 years ago. And as they find out more and more about it, they agree with us that it is

important to keep the family farmer on the land growing organic food," said Nelson, who was in town Monday with Mellencamp to promote the show.

The Dave Matthews Band will join the three co-founders at the show and other acts will be announced at a later date, organizers said.

The first Farm Aid concert was held in 1985 in the central Illinois city of Champaign, attracting 80,000 fans and raising \$9 million. Over the two decades, Farm Aid concerts have raised more than \$27 million to help farmers, organizers said.

Tickets for the September concert go on sale July 30. The fundraiser was held at the Tinley Park venue in 1997 and 1998.

The way Chicago officials have supported various farmers' markets was a key reason that a venue near the city was chosen

for the anniversary event, organizers said.

"It's very appropriate that 20 years later we're here in the middle of a city that's committed to accessing local and family farmed food because that's where the motion is," said Farm Aid associate director Glenda Yoder.

Growing organic fruits and vegetables is a growing niche in Illinois, said Illinois Farm Bureau spokesman Adam Nielsen.

"There are pockets of organic producers all over the place," he said.

Mellencamp said Farm Aid helps level the playing field for small farmers who are waging a battle against corporate interests.

"Farm Aid has always been about a dream of equality for the little guy," Mellencamp said.

While the concert does a good job of drawing attention to the hard work farmers do, it also

paints a misleading picture about the state of agriculture in the United States, particularly in Illinois where farmers experienced several years of high yields before the current drought that is plaguing much of the state, Nielsen said.

"They try to paint a picture of people getting kicked off their land, a Depression-era like image, but I think that's just inaccurate," Nielsen said.

A weeklong series of events preceding the concert also are being planned for the Chicago area, including a film festival, small venue performances and the release of a book titled "Farm Aid: A Song for America."

Organizers also are discussing the possibility of having an event in Champaign, but no agreement has been reached with officials there, Yoder said.

Two men accused of killing Illinois woman believed to have been hiding in the woods

ST. LOUIS—Two men who police say were hiding in the wood for days after learning they were wanted in an Illinois slaying have been charged in connection with the death of a suburban St. Louis woman.

Jon Cearlock, 21, and Jordan Matlock, 23, both of St. Louis, were arrested Saturday in Jefferson County. Police said Sunday the men hid in a wooded area between Fenton and Arnold

after finding out they were wanted in the killing of Paula Weinmann, 36, of Bethalto, Ill.

Cearlock came out of the woods and collapsed from exhaustion at a trailer park. Matlock was found Saturday night wandering down a road, police said.

Authorities believe the men met Weinmann at a downtown St. Louis bar, then went with her to a strip club in Centreville, Ill.

They killed her and tried to hide the body, police said.

The two were being held Monday in the Jefferson County Jail in Hillsboro awaiting extradition to Belleville, Ill. Both were charged Sunday in St. Clair County, Ill., with first-degree murder and concealment of a homicidal death. Bond was set at \$700,000 for each suspect. According to the St. Clair County state's attorney's office

Monday, the two men did not yet have attorneys.

Weinmann's body was found Wednesday behind a business in Belleville, Ill. She had been shot in the back of the head.

She was an avid fan of the St. Louis Cardinals and the St. Louis Blues hockey team. Last year, she was awarded the Seventh Man award, which the Blues give to the team's most dedicated fan.

CYCLERY:

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and parts and have not sold whole bikes, Bev said.

"We started playing bridge, we sold our last bike right before a tournament in Champaign, and then just decided not to order anymore," she said.

Co-owner and Eastern graduate Carlos Harrison was a chemistry major and attended Eastern for grade school, high school and college.

"I graduated in Eastern's last high school class in 1955," Carlos said.

Following his final graduation from Eastern, Carlos went on to work as a department head in the math department at Viking High School, before joining the Food and Drug Administration as an inspector.

"In 1968 the President decided to combine two bureaus and I

became a narcotics inspector," Carlos said.

Then Carlos met Bev.

"The bureau of narcotics has the highest divorce rate next to the FBI, I knew when I married her I'd have to leave, so I bought out my dad's bike shop," Carlos said.

The couple had to postpone their wedding date numerous times due to the bureau's vacation time policies.

"My ring is engraved Dec. 27, we got married on Oct. 3.," Bev said. "My landlord was our minister."

"Her relatives never forgave us because we were going to get married up at her home in Delaware, my parents couldn't come, and neither could hers, we stole their chance to party," said Carlos.

The Harrison's went on to have three children, the last of which was born in 1975.

All of the Harrison's children took an active role in the operation of the bike shop.

"They made me work a lot, I started in third grade putting bikes together, they paid me, and then made me save half of it," said son Chuck Harrison, "It was come home from school and work for two hours till the store was closed."

None of the Harrison's three children are interested in taking over the bike shop, Bev said.

"I live in West Virginia, I'm here to help them close down," Chuck said.

A piece of Charleston history, the Harrison's 90-year-old cash register, will be relocated when the bike shop closes.

"We got it from his (Carlos) dad, who got it from his dad, who got it from his dad who got it from Baine Winters, who got it from his dad, who got it from Louie Lenders, who is the

founder of the Charleston Charitable Foundation."

The register is a complicated affair, nearly four feet tall with several drawers, each with its own letter of the alphabet.

"Each clerk had their own drawer, and their own key, and each drawer dings a different tone so you could tell if someone was getting into your drawer," Bev said.

The register will go home with the Harrison's when the store closes its doors, Bev said.

For those like Eastern student Branden Muench, Harrison's Cyclery is lost and found in the same breath.

"This is my first time in the store, I've never had bike needs before, I'm all about supporting my local businesses."

When asked what she would miss most about the store Bev replied "I'm going to miss sitting here talking to people."

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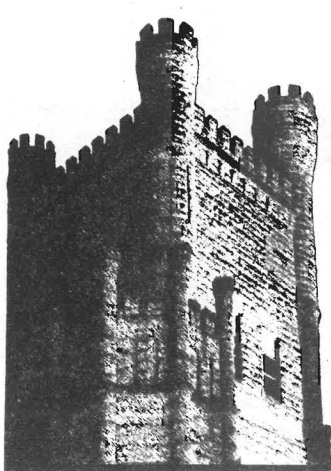
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Going from childhood friends to sports stars

Do you remember your childhood? I remember mine vividly but I rarely spend time reflecting on it.

I grew up in Duncanville, Texas, a part of south Dallas County. My older brother Phillip and I were the type of kids who often looked for fun outdoors. This led to playing many sports and inventing some of our own.

One of our favorite homemade sports was "clayball." Clayball was a form of paintball but instead of paintballs we used hardened balls of clay and instead of paintball guns we used wrist-rockets. My brother, his friend Cliff Bartosh, my friend Craig Bartosh, myself, and other neighborhood kids would go into the forest behind my old house and pelt each other with these rock-hard clayballs all afternoon.

Cliff and Craig were the same age as my brother and I. Craig and I were on the same baseball team for years. Cliff and my brother also played baseball together for several years.

However, I was never as good at baseball as the Bartosh brothers were. They were both much bigger than I and also possessed the courage not to move when an inside fastball was headed their way.

I found myself thinking about Cliff and Craig while watching the White Sox versus the Cubs during the cross-town rivalry series (at Wrigley). The Cubs were trying to stop the onslaught of runs delivered by the White Sox and decided to go to the bullpen. Much to my surprise, Cliff Bartosh entered the game. Cliff had pitched for the Cleveland Indians and, now, the Cubs.

Despite not seeing him since 1998, he looked the same. I ran into Cliff's younger brother Craig while visiting my parents in Duncanville last year. Craig is now one of the star baseball players at Texas A&M University.

I was extremely happy to see the Bartosh brothers doing so well. I think we should all take time every now and then to say hello to old friends. These last years I have been making plenty of new friends, but I haven't kept the old.

Hopefully one day we'll all be back in Texas together again. I still owe my older brother and Cliff plenty of clayball welts. I remember how much the welts hurt at the time I was hit but looking back, I wish they never healed.

Eastn encourages campers to kick back

BY NORA MABERRY
ONLINE EDITOR

145 high schoolers from as far away as Nebraska invaded Lakeside field at Eastern this Sunday.

The Advanced Boys Soccer Team Camp lasts until Thursday and is run by men's soccer head coach Adam Howarth.

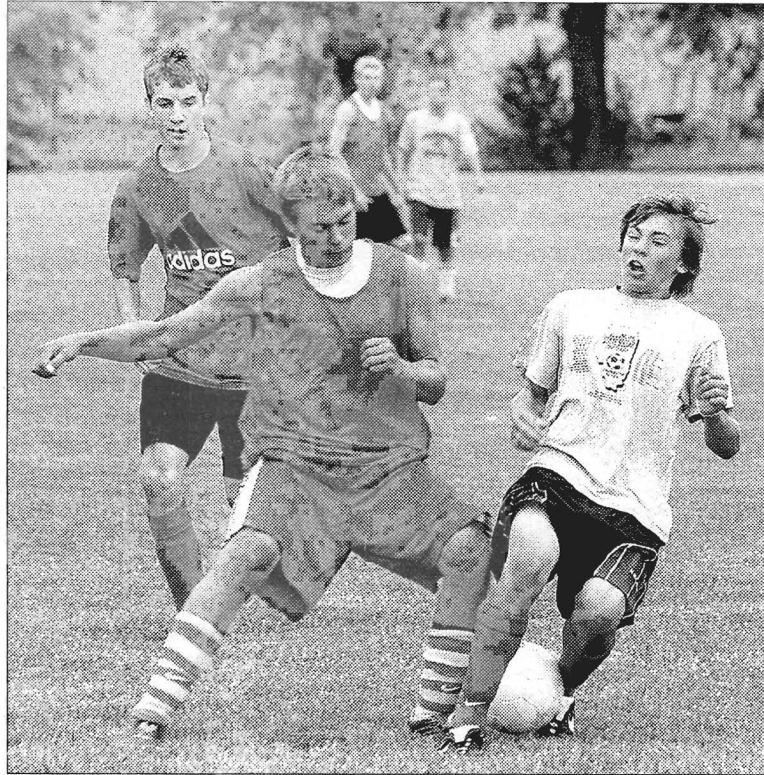
"We have boys from all over the state, Indiana, Missouri and even from Nebraska," said Howarth.

The campers could register as a team, consisting of 11 or more players, or as an individual who would later be placed on a team.

The camp emphasizes formations, specifically the 4/3/3 formations and 4/2/2 formations, said Howarth.

"It teaches the boys how teams play and introduces them to other ways play than the ways they are used to," said Howarth.

Casey DeCalowe, a coach at the camp, explained that the 4/3/3 formations feature four defenders, three midfielders and three forwards. The 4/2/2 formations feature four defenders, two midfielders and two forwards.



Steven Kabbes of St. Anthony, Effingham, tries to steal the ball from Charleston Gold's Ian McCausland Monday during the Illinois Soccer School for high schoolers.

"The boys play soccer morning and afternoon. At night they have to sleep because they are so exhausted,"

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said DeCalowe.

While the campers aren't sleeping and aren't playing soccer the coaches

try to focus on the importance of teamwork.

"We have three lectures. We focus on form, playing like a champ and then we have a 'Q and A' with the coaches," Howarth said.

Similar camps are held all around the country.

"I've been to similar camps and the top camps you want to attend are Division I, like Eastern and they are a great opportunity," said DeCalowe.

The campers recognize what a great opportunity the camps are.

Steven Reiley, 15, from Centralia, plays midfield for his high school team. He said he hoped the camp made him a better player.

Reiley's teammate, 17-year-old Derrick Gluek also hoped to improve his soccer skills.

"My coach told me about the camp. I wanted to come last year but couldn't," Gluek said. "I want to improve my ball handling skills." Gluek said he plans on attending college at either Eastern or Southern Illinois University to play soccer and hopes to one day become an orthodontist.

Pair of Panthers named to All-American team

BY DAVID THILL
EDITOR IN CHIEF

The Sports Network recently gave two Eastern football players something more to brag about.

Senior center Pascal Matla and junior cornerback Ben Brown were recently named NCAA I-AA Honorable Mention All-Americans based on their statistics from the 2004 season.

Hopefully the news will get people's attention and excite them for the upcoming football season, Dave Kidwell, assistant director for sports information and marketing, said.

"Any time you get your student athletes' names in the news, that's good," Kidwell said.

Matla, originally from Voorburg, Holland, started at center for the third year amassing 84 "knockdown" blocks and allowing only two quarterback sacks. He also graded an 85.8 percent blocking efficiency.

"We're thankful we found him," Head Coach Bob Spoo said. "He's an outstanding player and leader. He does everything he is supposed to do."

In fact, Matla appeared on some NFL teams' pre-draft lists, Kidwell said.

"He has all the physical tools he needs," Spoo said.

At center, Matla is responsible for making blocking calls on the line of scrimmage and pointing out any changes in the opposing team's offense once on the line, Spoo said.

"He's awfully important," he said.

Ben Brown will be entering his third season starting at cornerback for the Panthers. He has already lettered twice.

Brown intercepted five passes last year, while knocking down 16 passes to rank fifth in the nation.

Brown, who has started since his freshman year, has matured and being named Honorable Mention All-American is indicative of that, Spoo said.

"That position, if anyone is on an island, it's the corners," he said. "To play (that position) you must have great confidence. (Brown) doesn't believe he will be beaten."

Often, a cornerback will end up one-on-one with the opposing team's best receiver, Spoo said.

Could the team learn by Brown and Matla's example?

"If they learn the effort and the commitment required, that's a plus," Spoo said.

However, Kidwell and Spoo reflected the same feelings about the pair's continued success:

All they have to do now is go out and produce.

Ralston to leave Eastern in August

BY DAVID THILL
EDITOR IN CHIEF

After only a few months at her new position as Associate Athletic Director and Senior Woman Administrator, Betty Ralston will be making another move.

This move, however, will take Ralston outside of Eastern and Illinois altogether.

After spending 16 years as head volleyball coach and six years as Director of Compliance Ralston will bring her 22-year tenure at Eastern to an end in August in favor of a move to North Dakota.

Ralston's husband was named Executive Vice President of University Relations at the University of North Dakota, which is the reason for the departure, Ralston said.

Her husband had made a few moves in the past for her, so she decided to return the favor and make a move for him this time, she said.

"It's a pretty nice opportunity for him," Ralston said.

Ralston, the winningest coach in Eastern volleyball history, said that leaving will bring both sad and happy feelings.

"I will miss my colleagues," she said. "Eastern is a great university.



BETTY RALSTON
ASSOCIATE ATHLETIC
DIRECTOR AND
SENIOR WOMAN
ADMINISTRATOR

(Her husband) just couldn't turn down the opportunity."

While many things have been memorable for

her, Ralston said the 1998 volleyball season, her final as head coach, was the best one coaching-wise. The Panthers ended up as the Ohio Valley Conference champions.

"We had lost a lot of seniors and we weren't supposed to win," she said. "No one expected much of us. It's nice to do well when no one expects you to."

She said she also enjoyed taking part in the Enrollment Advisory Committee, established when David Jorns was still president of Eastern.

"Sometimes people in athletics tend to stay in athletics, so that was nice to be a part of," she said.

Ralston is also the Advisor to the Student Athletic Advisory Council. She goes over leadership skills, problems affecting teams and student athletes, she said.

It's been the best way to stay in touch with athletes after making the transition from coach to administrator, Ralston said.

She said she will keep in touch with people at Eastern and wishes the best for the Panthers.

"I'll still be rooting for them to win as many championships as possible," Ralston said.